

Modifying Africa 10 years on: is public opinion shifting?

It's over a decade since I ghost-wrote *Modifying Africa* for well-known Kenyan biotechnologist Florence Wambugu. At the time the book was a brave one – Wambugu's was a lone voice arguing the case in favour of GM (and other biotechnologies) in Africa, against a chorus of disapproval from environmentalists.

Ten years on, has Africa been modified? The short answer is no. Tough regulatory frameworks, continuing vociferous opposition from the anti-GM lobby and a European ban on GM imports have slowed the release of GM varieties to a trickle. Of the 28 countries in the world that are growing GM crops, only four are in Africa.

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