

Syringes, gas masks and Frankenfood: Visuals of the GMO debate

The opposition to genetically modified food dates back to when the technology was first possible in the 1980s, and those who object to GMOs as dangerous, sinister or unnatural have a distinct advantage on the visual front. In reality, GMO food doesn't look any different from non-GMO food — hence the push for labeling — and the process of genetic modification just looks like generic “science” to the layperson. But whole visual genres have developed to signal particular concerns about the food.

The following images are linked back to where we saw them — many are stock images, and some have been reused so many times it's not clear where they originated.

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