

GM yeast turns crop wastes into liquid fuel

US researchers have used genetically modified yeast to enhance the production of biofuels from waste materials.

The new method solves some of the problems in using waste like straw to make bioethanol fuel.

The scientists involved say the development could help overcome reservations about using land for fuel production.

Many states around the world have plans to replace gasoline with bioethanol, but this has typically been by changing land-use from food crops to biofuel.

Just this week, a representative of South Africa's farming community announced that sorghum harvests would need to increase five fold to meet their government's commitment to incorporate at least 2% bioethanol in petrol.

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