How GMOs saved my life

GMOs weren't personal until I almost died. After one ambulance ride and three days of wearing a heart monitor with tubes coming out of my arms, a diagnosis of type 1 diabetes irrevocably changed my life. Now I need the product of GMOs every single day, because without insulin, I am a dead body walking. Now this issue is real in the way that I can still hear my every heartbeat, and I am grateful to be alive.

This is where I get angry. Genetic engineering has the capability to help wipe out diseases, make farming more sustainable and productive, and create novel solutions to harvesting energy, food, and matter, in ways never before possible. Why is a technology so full of life being vilified? Why is this technology that is accepted and used many times over to treat disease denied admittance in the arena of agriculture? Sure, GE technology will not solve all problems, especially ones that stem from deep socioeconomic and cultural issues, but they can do incredible good.

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