New Jersey Senator Cory Booker irritates Twitter followers for being pro GM labeling

Cory Booker has a lot of fans among progressives — not just in New Jersey, but across the country. His commentaries on topics from food stamps to prison reform to solar energy are quoted, memed, and placed on internet pedestals. However, one tweet from Sunday will likely not be proudly repeated by many of Booker's pro-science supporters — in response to a question on Twitter, the popular senator expressed support for labeling GMOs.

GMOs, or genetically modified organisms, are a big ideological divide that is unusual in how it spans the political spectrum. It isn't a Republicans-vs-Democrats or conservatives-vs-progressives issue — there are people at every point of the spectrum who love and hate GMOs.

However, a number of Booker's fans who are big supporters of science and evidence-based policies were more than a little shocked at Booker's tweet. Here's the progression.

First, there was this question from a Twitter user.

@CoryBooker Where do you stand when it comes to genetically modified foods?

— Colin Spencer Wood (@ColinSWood) May 3, 2015

Booker responded.

Lets label GMOs https://twitter.com/ColinSWood/status/594941489991569410 ...

Then, the internet exploded. Cory Booker was told his views were anti-science, pro-scare-tactic, and overall ignorant. He was even told he needed a good chat with Neil deGrasse Tyson.

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