

## Why the food science community should support GMO technology for the developing world

...it is helpful to view the GMO debate through the lenses of the “Rich World” and the “Poor World.” In the “Rich World,” consumers are able to make “lifestyle choices” about the foods that they eat. Many “Rich World” consumers can afford to pay the increased costs associated with organic, natural and non-GMO food choices....

In the “Poor World,” the least-developed countries around the globe, consumers are often simply trying to find enough food to feed themselves and their families....

It is in these developing countries where the benefits of GMO technologies are needed most to increase crop yields, adapt for climate change and provide proper nutrition. The United Nations estimates that world population will expand to over 9 billion people by 2050 and that the vast majority of that population growth will take place in the least-developed countries of the world.

We need GMO technologies in order to meet the increased demand of food production required to feed this rapidly growing global population...The food science community needs to take the lead in advocating for the sensible development of advanced GMO technologies...And we can do all this while still supporting openness and transparency across the food industry....

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