

Will economic protectionism prevent Europe from competing in crop gene editing race?

America and China are leading the development of new gene editing technologies via GMO production and bringing CRISPR to the clinic. Why is Europe behind?

...The possible reasons may be EU's distinct political, economic and societal circumstances that have resulted in [overly vigilant government regulations](#) of these novel technologies. ...

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...[N]early three-quarters of all GM crops are from the US and almost none are from Europe. Novel gene editing products are in danger of being tagged the same way, which would likely hobble research efforts in a race the continent is already losing.

One possible reason for EU's stringent food and agriculture regulation is economic protectionism....

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