## Geneticist Alison Van Eenennaam: 'First World' anti-GMO activists perpetuate starvation in developing countries

Needed GMO technology to help citizens in Third World countries is being thwarted by activist groups in First World countries who are anti-GMO, said Alison Van Eenennaam, a UCANR Cooperative Extension Specialist focused on Animal Genomics at UC Davis.



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"If the African people choose to use this to develop better bananas, they should have the right to use that and not be dictated to by activist groups in the

First World promoting fear around this technology," she said.

GMO technology could greatly benefit those in the developing world, especially those who struggle with starvation on a daily basis.

"Most people have never seen starvation. People take food for granted, and when you see people that have problems in their agricultural production systems that are actually affecting the food security, you have to address those problems, whether they be drought or disease problems," Van Eenennaam explained.

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