

GMO corn doubles crop yields in Paraguay, report shows

The use of transgenic maize doubled the production of the cereal in Paraguay during two decades of variety planting. A new report from the Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology (INBio) has indicated that Paraguay is the sixth largest producer of transgenic crops in the world, with about 3 million hectares of soybeans, corn and cotton.

The report states that in the 1999 harvest the productivity per hectare was 2292 kg. However, these levels of yield have increased 100% in two decades, registering about 5500 kg per hectare in the last campaign. In this scenario, in the case of transgenic maize, this technology contributed to double production, which means avoiding double use of land in terms of environmental impact.

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