

## Former FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb suggests regulators may crack down on 'confusing' non-GMO labels

If FDA ever enforces its own rules, they could stop lots of nonsense labels on food, and recent comments by former Food and Drug Administration Commissioner Scott Gottlieb, M.D. sounds like they might be ready to do it.

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There is no health distinction between GMO corn syrup and non-GMO corn syrup, or non-GMO vegetable oil and GMO vegetable oil, and yet Non-GMO Project has sold stickers for 61,000 products suggesting their competitors are harmful to health. Their executive director even stated plainly their goal was to make every company a Non-GMO Project client or extinct.

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Yet that is common, and [speaking at the Private Label Manufacturers Association 2019 Private Label Trade Show](#), Dr. Gottlieb talked about FDA efforts to improve food labeling during his time there, and gave us hope that FDA may be continuing to fight for consumers against mercenary outfits like Non-GMO Project:

We had a lot of concerns about things like non-GMO or gluten-free labeling on products that would never have gluten in them, like putting 'gluten-free' on a bottle of water. This actually may conflict with FDA guidance and regulation .... The problem is those kinds of things are confusing to consumers and exacerbate misguided concerns around these kinds of ingredients.

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