

GMOs: What do you know? breakout

Myths vs. Facts

Identify the following statements as myths or facts

1. GMO wheat is responsible for the increase in gluten sensitivities.



2. A concern with GMO crops is the development of herbicide tolerant weeds.



3. Most foods found in the produce (fruit and vegetable) aisle of the grocery store are genetically modified.



4. Golden Rice has saved millions of children from blindness since 1990.



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5. Corn has had significant yield increases (production gains) since the late 1930's.



6. Genes for “yield” are an example of one of the types of traits that have been inserted into agricultural (commodity) crops.



7. Before being approved for commercial release, GMO crops must be approved by the EPA, FDA and USDA.



8. Genes for multiple traits may be “stacked” into a single biotech crop. In other words, a single biotech soybean seed may contain traits for resistance to several different herbicides and insect pests.



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