

EU decides against uniform GM rules

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EU officials have reportedly dropped plans to enact union-wide laws regulating genetically modified crops.

In a report to be made public Friday, regulators say the situation for each crop in each EU nation is currently too complex to enforce one standard rule, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday.

Concern has been voiced that some EU nations are imposing unfairly difficult rules regarding genetically modified crops. The World Trade Organization ruled a month ago Europe, long a biotech food opponent, has violated trade agreements for years by making it too difficult for new types of genetically modified crops to be approved, the Journal said.

The WTO also said some EU countries' bans on GM crops violate trade rules.

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