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Opinion poll on the labelling of GM crops

An Ipsos opinion poll shows that the vast majority (86%) of Europeans who have heard of genetically modified (GM) crops want food produced from these plants to be labelled as such. It also shows that the majority (68%) of respondents who have heard of new GM techniques, such as CRISPR, want food produced with these techniques also labelled as GM. The polling organisation, Ipsos conducted the representative survey between 11 February and 5 March 2021 in all 27 EU countries on behalf of the Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament.

Products created using new GM techniques such as CRISPR, a form of [gene editing](#), are covered by the EU's rules for the authorisation and labelling of GM organisms (GMOs). Seed companies such as Bayer and BASF are demanding that a wide range of these products be excluded from EU GMO regulations, including GMO labelling rules. The European Commission has yet to decide on the matter.

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