



BIOTECHNOLOGY? WHAT IS IT ? JUST TELL US !

Quiz about biotechnology

Here are the questions and the percentage of the answers that were given for each question. Each question was followed by a definition or an informative sentence, in order to give the public a general idea of the biotechnology industry. 54 persons answered or questions. However, the answers seem surprisingly favourable and informed on the matter. This could be the consequence of the fact that people filled the form in front of us, and could thus be afraid of being judged or of beginning an argument. However, the main goal of this quiz was not as much to collect reliable information than to inform the people who took it.

Questions	In favor/ yes	Without opinion/ It depends	Against/ No
Do you know what is meant by « Bioindustry »	83.3 %		16.7 %
Do you know what is meant by « Biotechnology»	88.9 %		11.1 %
<i>[Here were displayed a definition of bioindustry and biotechnology]</i>			
Genetically modified Organisms (GMOs)			
Do you know what is a GMO ?	93.3 %		6.7 %
<i>[Here was displayed a definition of GMO]</i>			
Are you in for or against the use of GMOs ?	38.9 %	33.3 %	27.8 %
Why? <i>[Only the main answers are given]</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>For</u> □ Drugs production, medicine, - <u>Against</u> □ Afraid of unknown risks, precaution principle - <u>Without opinion/It depends</u> □ Even if negative aspects, it is necessary for some applications 		
Did you know that GMO were used outside of GMO crops?	72.2 %		27.8 %
If yes, can you give an example of a non-agricultura GMO ?	Biofuel, drugs production, farm animals		
Bioreactors			
Do you know what is a bioreactor ?	50 %		50 %
<i>[Here was displayed a definition of bioreactor]</i>			
Would you qualify as GMO a microorganism which would have been genetically modified in order to boost the yield of bioreactors?	55.6 %	33.3 %	11.1 %
<i>[Here was displayed information about the use of GMM in bioreactors, academic and industrial research, and industrial production]</i>			