Grass Could Become the World's Next Big Biofuel Source

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Scientists have figured out how to make biofuels with everything from <u>algae</u> to <u>bacteria poop</u>, and now they are turning to grass. A new European research project called <u>GrassMargins</u> seeks to discover a new <u>perennial grass</u> that can grow year round for use as biofuel. If successful, the project could offer a renewable source of energy that grows virtually everywhere, which would increase the availability of clean fuels while lowering their price. But first, they have to figure out which grass grows best.

The project's main goal is to pick out a grass crop that can grow across large swaths of <u>marginal lands</u> that aren't suitable for <u>growing food crops</u>. The research is a massive collaboration between organizations and universities such as <u>Teagasc</u>, the <u>Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences</u> and <u>The University of Sheffield</u> to list a few.

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