

NBT Consult Submissions

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

I demand knowing the whereabouts of the food I eat has come from and also the products and chemicals used in its manufacture as a conscious consumer

Yours sincerely, Luke Young

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

To Whom It May Concern,

I share the concerns of Friends of the Earth as regards genetic modification techniques. Products derived using GM techniques MUST be adequately tested on a case by case basis to ensure safety to human beings and the environment.

Elizabeth O'Dea (BSc)

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth O'Dea

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

I understand there is not a single peer-reviewed study anywhere that finds GM techniques – esp. emerging techniques – unequivocally safe for human and planet health. This being so, the introduction of these techniques could only be seen as an act of criminality deserving of prosecution.

Yours sincerely, Kimberly Hack

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Genetic modification techniques pose unique risks and all new genetic modification techniques should be assessed for safety before being allowed in our food. They should also be labelled so we are fully informed. This includes gene editing, GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants.

CRISPR was only invented 5 years ago . Reviews commissioned by the Austrian and Norwegian governments concluded that not enough is known about the risks (e.g. off target effects) posed by new GM techniques such as CRISPR. They recommended that products derived from these techniques require comprehensive case-by-case risk assessments.

Gene editing techniques cause DNA double strand breaks and can be used sequentially to make dramatic differences to DNA. They are also prone to additional unexpected mutations. The risks associated with these techniques warrant pre-market safety assessment and approval. GM plants, animals and microbes all pose unique risks so assessing the GM production process is appropriate.

RNA interference is a GM technique and can result in heritable genetic changes so must also be assessed for safety before being used in our food. Yours sincerely, Stephen Walter Marnoo West, Victoria, 3387, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

GM techniques pose huge risks and should be assessed for safety before allowed anywhere near our food. It should be ALWAYS labelled so we the consumer are fully informed – this also includes gene testing GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants.

No consumer wants this so why grow it..?? Learn from the European countries...they don't!! We pose a significant risk to our cropping regimes if this is allowed and risk negligible sales to other countries who will not purchase our grains/legumes. Not to mention the negative impact this will do on soils, microbes and the whole circle of natural habitat.

Yours sincerely, Sarah Durdin Lock, South Australia, 5633, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Dear Sir/Madam, I'm writing to express my concerns about the proposal to deregulate a range of new genetic modification techniques in animals, plants and microbes in Australia. In fact, I'm horrified that you would even consider it. This is a very dangerous and reckless proposal. Consumers have the right to know what is in their food and that it is SAFE. The fact that you want to try to ensure that you don't have to be transparent by providing clear labelling and proof of safety is utterly suspicious, underhanded and corrupt. Genetic modification techniques pose unique risks and all new genetic modification techniques should be assessed for safety before being allowed in our food. They must also be labelled so we are fully informed. This includes gene editing, GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants. CRISPR was only invented about five years ago. Reviews commissioned by the Austrian and Norwegian governments concluded that not enough is known about the risks posed by new GM techniques such as CRISPR. They recommended that products derived from these techniques require comprehensive case-by-case risk assessments. Gene editing techniques cause DNA double strand breaks and can be used sequentially to make dramatic differences to DNA. They are also prone to additional unexpected mutations. The risks associated with these techniques warrant pre-market safety assessment and approval. RNA interference is a GM technique and can result in heritable genetic changes so must also be assessed for safety before being used in our food. GM plants, animals and microbes all pose unique risks so assessing the GM production process is appropriate and NECESSARY. Please don't allow greed and corruption to cloud your common sense and compromise the health of the people in this beautiful country.

Yours sincerely, Adriana Di Benedetto

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

It concerns me everytime I see that Governments who are elected by the people and are trusted to look after us and do what is best for us, are so ready to sell our health, food and country out to the big corporate companies in order to buy votes! What amazes me is that these same people are willing to not only put their own health at risk, but also that of their children, grandchildren and future generations.

My mother taught me not to play with my food and I would prefer it if other people wouldn't either. I do not want my food genetically modified in anyway whatever. Nor do I want it sprayed with Round up or similar chemicals and I definitely don't want those chemicals ending up in my drinking water or the water that is used to grow the food I eat. For this reason I grow many of my own fruit and vegetables organically using compost that comes from my land and have my own chickens and ducks for eggs and to help manage the bugs in my yard and to provide manure for my gardens.

I feel genetic modification techniques pose unique risks and all genetic modification techniques, including new ones, should be assessed, independently not by the companies creating and using these techniques, for safety before being allowed in our food. They should also be clearly labelled so we are fully informed. This includes gene editing, GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants.

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RNA interference is a GM technique and can result in heritable genetic changes so must also be assessed for safety before being used in our food.

GM plants, animals and microbes all pose unique risks so assessing the GM production process is appropriate.

Basically, I want to know where my food comes from, how it is produced, who and where it is grown/manufactured and what if any chemicals or GM processes have been used in its production/manufacture.

It is getting harder and harder to shop for food – looking if it is Australian owned/made, GM, not halal, organic, ethically produced/caught/manufactured and environmentally friendly – and labelling is not clear.

By taking away our freedom to choose what we want to put in our bodies by allowing greedy, dodgy, corrupt corporations, such as Monsanto, feed us whatever they like is not in the best interest of the Australian people.

All GM food should be banned in Australia and we should be assisting Australian farmers so they are able to keep providing the great food we are privileged to have, rather than selling them and our country out to the highest bidder who has no interest in Australia at all.

Yours sincerely, Fiona Langlands Kurmond, New South Wales, 2757, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Dear Members of FSANZ, We are so lucky to live here, where we have some natural protection from the dessimation of the environment happening in the rest of the world. Unfortunately, now we live in a world where decisions can impact the quality of live, environment and food, for our children and grandchildren.

The progress in GM may be, in the long term a good thing, but at the moment we just do not know... and the consequences of a mistake would be dire. We need to be cautious. I urge you, beg you, to be wise and decide to protect our people and environment, until we actually know that releasing the products of GM technology is really safe.

This would be a decision to not only protect the environment, andour health and the future; but it would also be an economic advantage to protect our premium clean, green, healthy food image.

Yours sincerely, Kerry Jarrett Eggs and Bacon Bay, Tasmania, 7112, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

The proposed genetic modification techniques to be released onto the unsuspecting Australian Public is just 'not on'. FSANZ's Track record in this area is abominable. So much GM material has been passed through into and onto the Australian public with out independent testing and scrutiny, that, I fear, has become the 'modus operandi' of FSANZ.

So much of this proposed 'release/ permission', to use these techniques of Genetic Modification in our food and livelihood, is just horrendous! Just using RNA interference as a GM technique and it's risk of changing heritable genetic material is enough to warrant intensive testing and assessment (which I believe FSANZ does not do) It just believes the proposers/manufacturers 'so called' scientific paper. Talk about the fox in the hen house!

The assessing of GM plants, animals and microbes should be on your agenda, as they all pose unique risks to our well being, so, GM production processes should also be assessed.

New GM techniques such as CRISPR and it's by products, Gene editing techniques with it's outcome of DNA double strand breaks, can be used to make dramatic differences to DNA. This DNA is prone to making unexpected mutations. (who is going to monitor the outcomes of the use of these mutations)

So FSANZ, how about standing up for Australia and Australians and organise a RIGOROUS independent testing programme. If you can't, then BAN these techniques until you can.

We have a right to know what we are eating in our food, and that FSANZ is starting to protect we Australians as you should.

Yours sincerely, Ralph Darlington Parkerville, Western Australia, 6081, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

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Yours sincerely, Alan Bell Helensvale, Queensland, 4212, Australia

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

FSANZ, please ensure mandatory labelling of GMO products and products derived of GMO products. These products should not be available in Australia, let alone without appropriate labelling. This would be a potentially catastrophic move costing billions and billions in additional healthcare, a system already cracking under pressure. There has not yet been enough research to ensure the safety of GMO produce.

Yours sincerely, Emma Jennings Mornington, Victoria, 3931, Australia

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Please do not GM our food. We need food which is GM free

Yours sincerely, Juliette Calderone

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

I expect FSANZ to ensure food safety by thorough case by case assessments of all food produced from Genetic Modification (including gene editing, rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis, RNA interference, null segregants. New GM techniques such as CRISPR must not be approved until all aspects of safety of food, animals, microbes and environment can be satisfied. FSANZ must be accountable for safety of these products if released in the environment.

As a consumer and a mother & grandmother responsible for the health of the family, I demand that the labelling laws are made fair so that all these items are accurately and clearly labelled in readable print, so that we are informed (and warned), eg THIS FOOD IS PRODUCED FROM GM TECHNIQUES.

Yours sincerely, Rachel Stratford

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

I would like to add my voice to the other sensible Australians who do not wish to deregulate the new GM techniques in plants, animals and microbes. It reeks of arrogance that people would be willing to deregulate this, exposing all of us, and future generations to unknown consequences. It is not good enough to “think” it won't cause problems down the track. It must be conclusively scientifically proven in research that is not funded by any party which has a financial interest in a certain outcome, and on a long enough timeframe that proves beyond any doubt that the products are safe.

Yours sincerely, Martin Vandenberg Flagstaff Hill, South Australia, 5159, Australia

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I would like to think that any food I buy has been tested and declared to be safe.

Yours sincerely, Dennis Nassau

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

To Whom it may concern,

I was appalled to recent hear that Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) is considering deregulating a range of new genetic modification (GM) techniques in animals, plants and microbes. To think that a oversight body like FSANZ is willing to let the GMO industry have free rain on our food is disgraceful given there is not clear evidence that states that genetic modification (GM) techniques are safe.

As seen in Reviews commissioned by the Austrian and Norwegian governments concluded that not enough is known about the risks these new GM techniques pose. They recommended that products derived from them require comprehensive case-by-case risk assessments.

This is is more reason why the GMO industry should be kept a close eye on and consumers should know exactly when they are buying GMO products through clear labeling and have a clear choice and not be used as test subjects.

Please continue to ensure the industry is transparent and well regulated.

Yours sincerely, Andrew Nemeth

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.. man may follow nature but nature will never follow man. Diosorides approx 40 AD

Please apply the precautionary principle in accordance with our Rio Convention and other sensible commitments toward ensuring less retrospective regret.

If this cannot be done by our policy makers at least allow FREEDOM of CHOICE in matter of personal and family health.

It is obvious taht in any area of incomlete knowledge and experiemnt that full precautions and contamination-safe zones need be maintained. Labelling is a must.

Yours sincerely, madeleine marty Bangalow, New South Wales, 2479, Australia

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NBT Consult Submissions

From: Katherine Knott <campaigns@good.do>
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To: NBT Consult Submissions; Joel Fitzgibbon; David Littleproud; Tony Zappia; Bridget McKenzie; Niall Blair; Jill Hennessy; Steven Miles; Alannah MacTiernan; Meegan Fitzharris
Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Genetic modification techniques pose unique risks and all new genetic modification techniques should be assessed for safety before being allowed in our food. They should also be labelled so we are fully informed. This includes gene editing, GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants. CRISPR was only invented 5 years ago . Reviews commissioned by the Austrian and Norwegian governments concluded that not enough is known about the risks (e.g. off target effects) posed by new GM techniques such as CRISPR. They recommended that products derived from these techniques require comprehensive case-by-case risk assessments. Gene editing techniques cause DNA double strand breaks and can be used sequentially to make dramatic differences to DNA. They are also prone to additional unexpected mutations. The risks associated with these techniques warrant pre-market safety assessment and approval. RNA interference is a GM technique and can result in heritable genetic changes so must also be assessed for safety before being used in our food. GM plants, animals and microbes all pose unique risks so assessing the GM production process is appropriate.

Yours sincerely, Katherine Knott Mount Pleasant, Victoria, 3350, Australia

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This is a follow-up to my email yesterday because I left out the most important point. It relates to the danger of CRISPR technology being applied to our food supply.

If I understand it correctly from my research, one danger of fiddling with micro RNA/creating synthetic micro RNA to edit DNA (CRISPR technology) is that micro RNA is not tied to the modified plant or animal but is constantly circulating in nature via the air, water, soil... etc. Apparently we breathe micro RNA from other beings, plants, the sea, desert, forest, basically whatever environment we're in, – a type of constant communication with everyone and everything we encounter, – and that RNA gets incorporated into us. Apparently it's interspecies communication at its finest! So if CRISPR technology genetically modifies this, then there's no turning back ever. Science has no idea what cascade of events may ensue, or how it could affect various pathways of protein synthesis in the bodies of all living creatures for example. Glyphosate has already started that downhill spiral by preventing the formation of certain proteins that use glycine, an essential amino acid!

This is from Wikipedia:

A simple version of the CRISPR/Cas system, CRISPR/Cas9, has been modified to edit genomes. By delivering the Cas9 nuclease complexed with a synthetic guide RNA (gRNA) into a cell, the cell's genome can be cut at a desired location, allowing existing genes to be removed and/or new ones added.[11][12][13] The Cas9-gRNA complex corresponds with the CAS III CRISPR-RNA complex in the above diagram.

CRISPR/Cas genome editing techniques have many potential applications, including medicine and crop seed enhancement. The use of CRISPR/Cas9-gRNA complex for genome editing[14][15] was the AAAS's choice for breakthrough of the year in 2015.[16] Bioethical concerns have been raised about the prospect of using CRISPR for germline editing.[17]

How this technology being used in the food industry could ever be regarded as safe is beyond comprehension, but they should be required to PROVE it's safety with long term studies before having approval to modify our food supply! Please do not allow GM laws to be de-regulated!

Yours sincerely, Patrina Nuske-Small

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Subject: Submission re. Consultation paper on Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Good morning

It has come to my attention that FANZ is considering the approval of a range of genetic modification techniques that have not had sufficient testing to prove their safety for both the environment and human consumption in both the short term and the long term.

I strongly oppose any approval of any of these genetic modification techniques on the grounds that not enough information is available to reliably conclude that these techniques provide no danger to people or the environment.

Do not let corporations put profit over people's health and well being by allowing these techniques into the food supply without stringent testing on a case by case basis.

Furthermore, should any of these techniques be concluded by independent sources to be safe, any such food items modified in one of these ways should be clearly labelled so the consumer can make an informed decision, rather than trying to protect the profits of corporations by obfuscating such facts.

I trust you will make the right decision.

Yours sincerely, Luke Johnson

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