

NBT Consult Submissions

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

I am writing to implore that we do not follow in the footsteps of the U.S look at the atrocities that have occurred poisoning and altering our environment. I say no to big companies making money at the expense of people right to freedom and life and choice. Please read the email tips above for some points you could include in your own comments.

Yours sincerely, Tracey Criss Castlemaine, Victoria, 3450, Australia

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

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Yours Sincerely

Elliot Lemon.

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

As a consumer of products, a family person, and an Australian citizen, I expect that safeguards are put in place by the authorities of our country (Australia) to safeguard citizens and most particularly myself and my family, to protect us from the onset of products that could do us harm. As such I expect that a regulatory body will be established and vigilant in the testing and securing all foods which are either grown or imported into Australia, irrespective of where they originate. That the testing will be rigorous and complete to firstly protect the peoples of this country from foods and ingredients which may ultimately do harm to any person and that it will protect our crops from any contamination by other crops or additives that may contaminate our food sources in any way. I am not convinced that genetically modified crops and foods meet this criteria and therefore expect that the authorities of Australia will take every step reasonable to ensure we as a nation

meet the highest standard in respect of our crops and other food sources. It is also important that all ingredients are correctly listed on our foods labels so that we as a nation of free people have the freedom of choice to decide what we purchase and what we are purchasing is safe and suitable for our own consumption. While science has made many significant advances, it has also made many mistakes which have cost people - such as asbestos to name one which has caused so much suffering. It is therefore not only important but also necessary that all checks and balances possible are maintained to protect the peoples of our nation from irresponsible and illegal acts that could cause harm to us as a nation, and me as an individual and prevent the use of products, ingredients and scientific manipulations that may cause harm. I demand that not only the current practices of labeling our products be maintained, but they be made better and that all ingredients are properly listed on all consumable products so we as a nation have the best knowledge possible to make our own individual choice when purchasing and providing food. Any downgrading of the current system in my eyes is unacceptable and any attempts to disguise the use of GM products should be prevented and where GM products are used they must be clearly labeled so that any person can easily identify the use of GM ingredients and products and make their own decision of what they believe is best for their own use and consumption. Too long have these providers promoted their advances as safe only to learn into the future that they have manipulated findings, flouted the laws and misled consumers. I demand that they are accountable and every effort is made to ensure my safety, the safety of my family and the peoples of this nation - Australia

Yours sincerely, Barry John Balderson

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

To whom it may concern,

If the biotechnology industry gets its way, Australia will be the first country in the world to deregulate a range of new genetic modification (GM) techniques in animals, plants and microbes. They will enter our food chain and our environment with no safety testing and no labelling. The risks are enormous and the results could be catastrophic.

•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, Douglas Brown Trevallyn, Tasmania, 7250, Australia

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please do not approve the 'new breeding techniques' for food, animals, plants and microbes.

There is no evidence to prove this is safe. No other country has yet proved GM to be safe. It's important to maintain a safe food supply. The effects could be disastrous if this is approved. We have a right to know what we are consuming and food labels should reflect this accurately.

Yours sincerely,

Catrina Mahony Malvern East, Victoria, 3145, Australia

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

I do not support deregulation of genetic modification (GM) techniques used on plants, animals and microbes.

Please retain all regulations currently in place re: GM and I would prefer that these regulations be reviewed systematically, regularly and on a case by case basis, to keep up with the changes in GM technology which are happening all the time.

The risks from using genetic modifications are unknown and wherever possible need to be assessed for the safety of consumers, our grandchildren and indeed the planet. GM is too risky!! This includes gene editing, GM rootstock grafting, cisgenesis, intragenesis RNA interference and null segregants.

Furthermore, all items which have been subjected to this technology must be labelled so that consumers can choose whether or not to take the risks inherent in using/consuming GM.

In both Austria and Norway, governments have concluded that case-by-case assessments must be made before CRISPR technology can be allowed. We need to do this here. CRISPR technology has only been in use for five years and it's ramifications are unknown.

DNA double strand breaks caused by gene editing can cause irreversible changes to DNA which will be inherited and cause mutations. These risks must be assessed and approved before any marketing of items subjected to this technology.

RNA interference can also be inherited and food that has been treated in this way must also be assessed and approved before being sold to unsuspecting consumers.

Please ensure that full assessment of the GM technology applied to plants, animals and microbes is made and approved.

Yours truly Deborah Lilly

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

While the big companies of the world are hell bent on making bigger and bigger profits it begs belief that we are being poisoned daily by more and more chemical and genetically modified food, that is not proven and in fact has been seen to destroy food crops in the USA and the bees which is the major concern for the health and balance for this plant that we all need to live on. Instead of flagrant WASTE of our resource and living the way the plant had managed to substance life up till the 1950, you the governing bodies seem hell bent on distruction of the HUMAN RACE. STOP BEFORE WE HAVE NOTHING LEFT TO LIVE FOR. Save us from rampant greed(not the food kind)

Yours sincerely, Natalie Baker Officer, Victoria, 3809, Australia

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

Nature has taken millions if not thousands of years to evolve. Plant and animal species have evolved concurrently, and over the millennia animals including humans have evolved to digest and process the plant matter we eat.

GM foods are being created with many different criteria, either for production efficiency or to ward off insects by causing them to die. By changing the DNA of plants the creatures that eat the foods, are not species specific thereby killing or afflicting many more insect populations than intended.

If, for example, an organism is developed to explode the stomachs of a certain insect, how could it be that people may not be affected over time? What's more, the dramatic decrease in bee populations and natural pollinators is alarming, and not just caused by endocrine-disrupting insecticidal chemicals such as RoundUp. We cannot afford insect extinctions.

Surely the exponential increase in food intolerances, allergies and chronic inflammatory disease among populations is indicative that GM food is not a good thing. The research on these products and the effects they have on populations must be heavily regulated and monitored.

If other Governments are taking the initiative to monitor such actions and research, it is only just that all Governments should have a rightful conscience to take responsibility for the health of their people.

These products also, over time, prove much less effective on the target 'pests' or resilience of the plant, and are affecting the health of the populations they are intended to feed. The insects (the 'pests'), in the meantime, are evolving to overcome the toxicity of the modified products.

There is little point in being able to feed a globe of people, just in order to make them sick (which in turn costs Governments vast sums in the maintenance of health systems and services), and to have future populations of invalided people.

Human generation turnover is much slower, so the inherited DNA of later generations will be grossly affected before an evolution to survive the modified products kicks in.

Please read the following factual information which supports my argument:

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

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Yours sincerely, Sarah Owens Lyneham, Australian Capital Territory, 2602, Australia

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

I am writing with great concern about a development in GM food technology which I believe has escaped due scrutiny, examination and testing and therefore poses a risk to public health.

ODM, SDNs, ZFN and CRISPR testing techniques have raised concerns in reports in a number of countries and must be evaluated in light of the risks established in those reports before any inclusion – which will not be clearly indicated in the end product – our food – well before that takes place.

It's disappointing that Australia has consistently ignored and marginalised the risks of genetically modified agriculture in favour of supporting big agri. That is not a responsible position in regard to public health which includes children and the elderly.

Yours sincerely, Lynn Fitzpatrick

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Yours sincerely, vicki Mcdonald Swansea, New South Wales, 2281, Australia

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

To whom it may concern, I wish to express my concern at the inadequate testing and labelling of all Genetically modified food and organisms entering our environment and food supply. For every desirable characteristic that is successfully manufactured there are a vast and unknown range of consequences and reactions and characteristics that will only be noticed if sudden and violent reactions occur. "We didn't know" or "couldn't have foreseen" the dire possibilities WILL NOT unscramble the egg once released. Our health is declining rapidly with the industrialisation of our food. Just because they can is not a good reason to do it. Only those with limited imagination or huge economic gain push forward so blindly. I wish also to be able to confidently select untampered food and therefore want those who alter it to be compelled to label it as GMO, regardless of which fancy label or technique they use to alter it. With great concern,

Yours sincerely, Suzanne Moreland Bayswater, Victoria, 3153, Australia

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Subject: Submission re Food derived using 'new breeding techniques'

Work commissioned by the Austrian and Norwegian governments warn that not enough is known about the risks new GM techniques involving plants and animals may subject populations to.

The recommendation from these governments is that products derived from them require comprehensive case-by-case risk assessments.

I want GM regulated so that I can make a considered choice when purchasing food for me and my family.

Sincerely

Pam DiLorenzo Stepney, South Australia, 5069, Australia

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Yours sincerely, pauline mcminn Success, Western Australia, 6164, Australia

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I am greatly concerned about being exposed to GM foods. I do not trust these companies who develop these products for they are more interested in profit than really caring. I and my family do not wish to be guinea pigs for them. As Australians we have a right to know what we are eating and if nothing else there should be STRICT labeling rules in place to protect our right to choose the food we put in our mouth!!!!

From what I see 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

If these and other European countries are careful about introducing genetically modified food into their countries so should Australia be if it genuinely care about the health of its citizens. I do hope that more regulations rather than deregulation is needed to protect us from such ruthless companies profit interests

I hope you take my concerns and the concerns of many others seriously Athena Marini

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

It's time our regulators stopped letting corporate cowboys like Monsanto, Syngenta and Dow write the rules for them and put public health and our environment before private profit.

On its website the OGTR professes a commitment to “accountability: through open and transparent processes”.

However, documents obtained by Friends of the Earth under Freedom of Information laws revealed that then-assistant Health Minister Fiona Nash gave policy approval for drafting amendments to the Gene Technology Regulations in relation to NBTs on 8 July 2015 and the agency has already issued drafting instructions to deregulate a number of these new GM techniques.

This occurred without any public input or consultation. Furthermore, it appears the agency has misled the Senate – claiming in Senate Estimates that drafting instructions had not yet been issued.

In relation to these new manipulation techniques, I want to see:

- » A moratorium on the commercialisation of these new GM techniques until our regulatory system for GMOs is adapted to deal with the potential risks posed by them;
- » These new GM techniques and the products derived from them subject to a comprehensive case-by-case risk assessment, including full molecular characterisation and independent safety testing to minimise any potential risks to human health and the environment;
- » All products derived from new GM techniques to be labelled to protect choice for farmers, producers and consumers;
- » The precautionary principle to be enshrined in both the Gene Technology Act and the Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act, given the experimental nature of these technologies and the risks associated with them;
- » The Government to impose strict liability on all dealings with GMOs licensed by the OGTR, so that liability for GM contamination and the resultant losses and costs rests fully on the licensees and the owners of GM patents.

Yours sincerely, Peter Robertson Birkenhead, South Australia, 5015, Australia

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I cannot believe that although not enough is known about the risks of CRISPR that in our smart country you would even consider this! Would you kindly reply and advise why you are taking this risk?

Yours sincerely, Biannca Pace Rose Bay, New South Wales, 2029, Australia

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I want my food unadulterated and labelled as such. Other parts of the world are moving away from GMOs in/as food. Why is Australia moving towards it?

Yours sincerely, Kristin Gillespie East Warburton, Victoria, 3799, Australia

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To Whom It May Concern, Life is complex enough as is. Many children like mine suffer from food allergies from unknown causes. We do not need more variables, risks and potential hazards above and beyond what we all currently have to learn about and deal with!

Our government should be support organic farmers who care for our land and our health for the long term future not greedy foreign companies for the short term gain that is shipped over seas!

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, Lynn Micheletti Drummoyne, New South Wales, 2047, Australia

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The effects of new genetic modification techniques are as yet unknown, let alone the long-term effects of older GM techniques presently applied to food. All new techniques must be assessed for safety before the decision is made whether or not to allow them to be applied to food, whether it be food for people or animals.

The possibility of long-term and irreversible harm to people, animals, plants and the entire food chain cannot be treated lightly. The idea of RNA interference causing heritable changes in genetic material is abhorrent and alarming and the young GM industry must not be allowed to experiment on the public and on the food chain in general.

The historical and time-tested GM method of selective breeding has only relatively recently been shown to cause anatomical problems in the area of creating breeds of animals, such as respiratory problems in the bulldog and the pug. The fast implementation of new, untested GM techniques could create an unanticipated disaster.

The most cited cause of cancer is damage to the DNA of the sufferer. We have no way of gauging the long-term damage that may be caused to the DNA of individual consumers of GM foods or to that of food animals or plants or even insects and microbes.

The reviews commissioned by Austria and Norway must be heeded.

Any GM food should be accurately labelled, as all food should be, so that the consumer is able to exercise the right of informed choice.

Yours sincerely, Deborah Kelton

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