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Hi my name is [REDACTED], and I am concerned about the proposed irradiation of fresh fruits and vegetables coming into queensland.

There is not enough evidence proposed that irradiation doesnt affect nutritional profile of foods. In fact the research provided by the executive summary shows the opposite.

As stated in the executive summary proposal “vitamins range from relatively high to low sensitivity to radiation with vitamin C, thiamine, vitamin E and vitamin A being most sensitive”.

These vitamins are crucial for human health and even a small loss of these nutrients is concerning.

It is stated that vitamin C levels remain well within the rance of concentrations that can result from natural variations, storage and processing. This is not reassuring as conventionally grown produce that has been shipped across the country has significantly lower levels of nutrition than local, organically grown produce.

The nutritional assesment provided is unconvincing and lacks scientific credibility. It is relying on unpublished- on-peer reviewed research.

I call on FSANZ to adopt option 2 and reject A1092 which seeks permission to irradiate produce.

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