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Hello FSANZ,
Submission Monsanto Application A1071
I am extremely concerned FSANZ would consider allowing GM crops or their derivatives into Australia and consider them safe.

We represented the organic community on a Ministerial committee in WA where counterarguments were simply ignored and only allowed limited space in the appendix.

There is simply so much mounting evidence indicating problems with GM that it is incomprehensible FSANZ consistently chooses to ignore them. It appears your scientists have been so transfixed by biotech and GM, that they are no longer able to be independent. As a psychologist and a scientist myself, I can only assume the inability to integrate all the science comes from a need to control, which usually stems from personal insecurities.

I have on many occasions summarised research showing problems to no avail. This time I have chosen to simply state my concern over decision making at FSANZ. Plenty of others will summarise the research that will simply be ignored or presumed to be faulty, while the Monsanto research will be idolised. FSANZ uses a system of approval based on the US system which was developed by GM companies. The EU does not use this system. FSANZ does not even see this conflict of interest. Rationality and scientific enquiry has gone out the window as personal pathologies of the scientists involved have come to the fore. We all have pathologies, but scientists in particular need to understand their own so they can make independent and responsible decisions.

Regards,
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