

## **Email Submission: Alan Manson Part 1**

Office of the Gene Technology Regulator  
Australian Government Department of Health

Dear committee members,

I am very concerned about the proposal to deregulate a range of genetic modification (GM) techniques in animals, plants and microbes. It would be highly irresponsible for the Regulator to not monitor and weigh in with force of regulation on GM techniques that could be used by anyone, including biohackers, terror groups, industry to modify plants, animals, microbe, with the potential of creating new diseases and poison.. The risk of releasing unnatural organisms into the Australian environment without any portection in place is criminal.

Aren't you aware that these techniques/agents could enter our food chain and environment and without safety testing or labeling, exposing Australia and the world to enormous risks that could be catastrophic.

Australians should NOT be treated as the 'bunnies' and guinea pigs, for experimental technologies where governments like Austria and Norway have conducted reviews and concluded such technologies/products require comprehensive case by case assessments.

It is my will that the Regulations continue monitoring/surveying these new GM techniques overall, and on case by case basis, to safeguard the health and safety of people, animals and the environment.

Sincerely

Alan Manson