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# Review of the Moratorium on GM Canola

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Subject GE food crop moratorium review - my thoughts

Dear Sir

This is my submission to the state review of the moratorium on genetically engineered food crops.

I have already forwarded an email that was written in the words provided by True Foods, but I'd like to add in a less scientific oriented way: We've all seen Jurassic Park!! GM is simply not what 'God' intended, let's not tamper with things that are beyond our control. Once we take the step to use GM crops and seed we cannot retrieve it from nature, it could be one of the biggest mistakes we ever make, are we prepared to take that risk for small gain? To anyone who watches the patterns of time and the mistakes humans have made in the past, GM screams of impending doom. I'm aware that other programs, for example in Canada, have been claimed to have no environmental effect, yet if we consider that it took millions of years for us to evolve, it could take sometime before we see the negative effects of GM on humans and our eco system. Do we need to risk gene mutation, and all manner of gross deformation, for short term farming solutions? It may be gradual, but I fear that ever so slowly pieces of our delicate gene structure will become effected by what we have done to the food we eat, and suddenly we're are facing problems larger, more dangerous and more mysterious than anything we've yet confronted, and there'll be no turning back. So come on! Let's be more imaginative Australia! Let's come up with our own natural systems and harmonious technology that we're not buying from overseas and which we can consequently market overseas and which doesn't pose the risks of GM!? Let's not be rash, lets re-implement the GM ban, and see what alternatives we can come up with.

I hope you consider these thoughts responsibly and keep coming generations and loved ones in mind . . Thank you & kindest regards, Sunni

Yours sincerely  
Miss Sunni Overend  
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