

## About this dossier

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## Part II, Section 2 - Deliberate release into the environment of GMOs for the purpose of food and feed production

**Country** Greece **Year** 2022

**Have you any data to report in this period ?** Yes

### 2.1 Overall conclusion on the level of compliance achieved

Greece is still exempted from GMO cultivation and official controls are carried out on the propagating material for the adventitious presence of GM seed admixtures. These controls are carried out on seeds of the following species: Maize (*Zea mays*), Cotton (*Gossypium spp*), Swede rape (*Brassica napus*), Soya bean (*Glycine max*), Tomato (*Lycopersicon lycopersicum*) (varieties for processing). There are no reports for the year 2022 of deliberate release into the environment of GM propagating material for the purpose of food and feed production. The level of compliance remains extremely high. More specifically, out of the 980 official controls carried out, 9 seed lots were found positive on adventitious admixtures and none of those had been released on the environment. In conclusion, this high level of compliance contributes to the achievement of strategic objectives 2 and 4 of Greek multi-annual national control plan.

### 2.2 Official controls

	Number of official controls performed
Commercial cultivation of GMOs for the purpose of food and feed production (Part C of Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council)	0
Experimental releases of GMOs related to food and feed (Part B of Directive 2001/18/EC)	0
Seeds and vegetative propagating material for the purpose of food and feed production	980

### 2.3 Comment box

No comments

### 2.4 Non-compliances and Actions/measures

	Detected during official controls performed	Total number of controlled operators	Number of controlled operators where non-compliances were detected	Administrative	Judicial
1. Commercial cultivation of GMOs for the purpose of food and feed production (Part C of Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council)	0	0	0	0	0
2. Experimental releases of GMOs related to food and feed (Part B of Directive 2001/18/EC)	0	0	0	0	
3. Seeds and vegetative propagating material for the purpose of food and feed production	9	93	1	1	
3.1 Unauthorised GMOs in seeds and vegetative propagating material	0	0	0	0	
3.2 Labelling of GMOs in seeds and vegetative propagating material	0	0	0	0	

### Fraudulent and deceptive practices

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## 2.5 Comment box

Nine seed lots were found positive on adventitious admixtures and none of those had been released on the environment. Particularly, the eight seed lots were destroyed or exported to third countries where GMOs's are allowed. As regards the ninth seed lot, part of it was destroyed and the rest had been sown before the analysis of the relevant sample was issued. All crops sown with seeds of this seed lot were destroyed at an early stage of growth and certainly before flowering, thus eliminating the risk. In addition an administrative sanction was imposed on this company.

## Attachments

No

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