

## EFSA Technical Note on DNA Sequencing in Plants

**Activity:** EFSA is reviewing the Technical Note on Sequencing in Plants (2018); update will ensure clarity and that quality parameters are up-to-date, in line with advances in scientific knowledge (5yrs)

**Aim:** updates will mainly focus on topics of recurring clarifications between EFSA and applicants, for example, on file formats (Genbank), raw data submission (2021), genetic stability (improved in 2022); to consider updates due to evolving technologies; facilitate SQC

**Data:** FWC sequencing approx. 10 pre-TR applications and 4 post TR applications, in 2021 and 2022; contractor's reports and ADRs.

**Method and Format:** NIF Unit, MC WG experts, Contractor; EFSA Statement

**Timeline:** most likely 2023-2024; parallel review and update of the EFSA Statement on WGS for microorganisms (2021).

**Targeted Consultation:** a draft will be shared/discussed at an upcoming meeting, depending on progress  
e.g. October 2023

