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**From:** [REDACTED]@health.gov.au on behalf of OGTR.CDES@health.gov.au  
**Sent:** Friday, 21 November 2014 11:29  
**Subject:** Re: CRISPR technology [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email regarding CRISPR-CAS mediated genome editing technology. This is a relatively new technologies and we have been discussing them for some time now.

The OGTR currently has a working group that are considering organisms modified using new technologies, and whether or not they are regulated under the *Gene Technology Act 2000*. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I'm happy to pass on your query to this group, but you should be aware it may take some time before we can provide an answer.

I hope this helps. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need to discuss this matter further.

Kind regards,

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Subject: CRISPR technology [SEC=No Protective Marking]

Dear OGTR,

Our IBC has been approached by a researcher who wants to start experiments in mice with CRISPR technology. As this is the first of its kind for our IBC and we could not find a regulation in the OGTR guidelines, we have approached other IBCs in Adelaide and their feedback was that mice with DELETIONS generated by CRISPR do not require individual NLRD approval. However, if anything is added back into the genome (including generating a point mutation), this will require an NLRD approval.

We would like a confirmation whether you agree with this approach?

Thanks and kind regards  
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