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Department of Health and Aged Care
Office of the Gene Technology Regulator

NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION

Receipt of licence application from The University of Adelaide for a field trial of genetically modified canola

The Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) has received a licence application (DIR 212) from The University of Adelaide to conduct a field trial of genetically modified (GM) canola with increased photosynthesis and photorespiration. A summary of the application is posted on our [website](#) (search for DIR 212).

The trial is proposed to take place between April 2025 and January 2030, on one site with a maximum area of 2 hectares per year. The trial site is located in Light Regional Council in South Australia. The trial would be subject to control measures that restrict the spread and persistence of the GM plants and their introduced genetic material. The GM canola would not be used for human food or animal feed.

The OGTR is preparing a Risk Assessment and Risk Management Plan for the application. This is expected to be released for public comment and advice from experts, agencies and authorities in **late February 2025**. There will be at least 30 days for submission of comments.

If you have any questions or would like to receive a copy of the application or the summary, please contact the OGTR and quote the reference number DIR 212.

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