

No scientific evidence for Italian ban on Monsanto GM maize, says EFSA

There is ‘no specific scientific evidence’ to support an Italian ban on the genetically modified maize MON810, according the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA).

The EFSA scientific opinion comes after assessment of evidence submitted to the European Commission by Italian authorities to support the country’s ban on biotech giant Monsanto’s genetically modified maize MON810.

However, the EFSA panel on Genetically Modified Organisms (EFSA GMO Panel) has now concluded that all of the concerns raised by Italian authorities have been addressed in previous scientific opinions — adding that there is no evidence to support an Italian ban based on the “emergency measure” measure under Article 34 of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003, nor is there evidence that would invalidate previous risk assessments of MON810 conducted by EFSA.

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