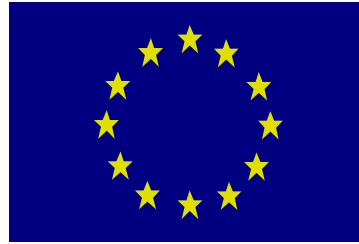




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	<i>Novel Foods</i>	<i>GM food/feed</i>
• Pre-market safety assessment	Yes	Yes
• Simplified procedure for substantial equivalence	Yes	No
• Timespan of authorisations	Unlimited	Max 10 years
• Provision and detection methods, and validation	No	Yes
• Public consultation	No	Yes



	<i>Novel Food</i>	<i>GM food/feed</i>
•Public access to documents	“No”	Yes
•Publication of the scientific assessment	Yes	Yes
•“Centralised” authorisation procedure	No	Yes
•Community Reference Laboratory on GM food and feed	No	Yes
•Consultation on ethics	No	Yes



	<u>Definition of Food</u>	<u>Labelling of Food</u>	<u>Labelling of GM food</u>	
			<i>Under current criteria</i>	<i>Under new criteria</i>
•Ingredients	Yes	Yes	Yes/No*	Yes
•Additives	Yes	Yes	Yes/No*	Yes
•Flavourings	Yes	Yes	Yes/No*	Yes
•Processing Aids	No	No	No	No
•Feed	No	No	No	No
•“Free of claims”	/	No	/	/

* Depends on detectability



Thresholds

	Today	Commission Proposal	Political Agreement
•Labelling threshold	Fixed in Comitology 1%	To be in Comitology Procedure	0.9%
•Presence of GM material concluded to be safe but not authorised	Not regulated	1%	0.5%