

EURALIS Saaten GmbH, Oststraße 122, 22844 Norderstedt

Norderstedt, 17.10.2019

Dear Sir and Madam,

Please find enclosed the GMO statement for the current season 2020.

Despite persistent demands from the entire agricultural industry, the lawmaker has still not passed any threshold values for accidental or technically unavoidable traces of genetically modified organisms (GMO) in conventional sorts. The seeds industry has established quality assurance systems, but it is unable to surpass the limits of natural science and technology. Therefore, we provide the following statement, as the German subsidiary company, in the name of EURALIS Semences S.A.S, France:

GMO Statement:

The sorts that we deliver to you for sowing in 2020 are traditionally cultivated sorts, which have been grown from genetically unmodified parent components using conventional cultivation methods, i.e. without using any genetic engineering methods.

Seed propagation is carried out in open fields in natural conditions in which there is free circulation of pollen. In this process, measures are used that aim to avoid an accidental occurrence of genetically modified organisms (GMO). EURALIS analyses samples of the seed lots and will only release these for sale if no detectable GMO concentrations are found. These samples, however, do not permit an outright conclusion as to the properties of all seeds. Absolute certainty could only be achieved by analysing each individual grain, which is of course not reasonable. It is therefore not possible for us to rule out the occurrence of GMO traces completely in spite of these applied measures. In this context, it also needs to be pointed out that at the current state of science, adventitious presence of plants resulting from genome editing cannot be uniquely identified or be attributed to the applied method, respectively.

EURALIS produces certified seeds in accordance to the present EU regulations for the marketing of seeds. The seeds sold by EURALIS comply with all legal obligations applicable to seeds as a marketable product and with the high quality standards of EURALIS. All deliveries on future orders will be made exclusively on the basis of this Statement. Earlier GMO Statements will thereby lose their validity.

Sincerely yours,

EURALIS Saaten GmbH



by order, Christoph Matthes
- Head of Sales Support Central Europe -