

PROCEDURE FOR ASSESSING A GENETIC MODIFICATION PROJECT

Project Leader

Writes draft GM Project Risk Assessment and sends to BGMS Secretary

BGMS Secretary

Circulates copy of risk assessment to BGMS Members to comment

BGMS Members

Sends acknowledgement and/or comments to BGMS Secretary within 2 weeks of receiving draft risk assessment

BGMS Secretary

Sends collated comments to GM Project Leader

Project Leader

Revises the risk assessment or justifies clauses where queries have been raised and sends a signed hard copy to the relevant Head of Department or (Deputy) Director of Research for approval and signature

Head of Department or (Deputy) Director of Research

Sends the signed copy of the risk assessment to the BGMS Chair for Signature

BGMS Chair

Sends signed hard copy to the BGMS Secretary

BGMS Secretary

Copies the risk assessment and sends the original hard copy, signed by the Project Leader, Head of Department or (Deputy) Director of Research and the BGMS Chair to the Project Leader

THE GM PROJECT CAN THEN COMMENCE

A project review must be undertaken at least annually

or sooner if there is an accident or a significant change in the work.

Note: There is a five year cap on risk assessment reviews, therefore all projects will require a complete new proposal to the BGMS Committee if this is exceeded.