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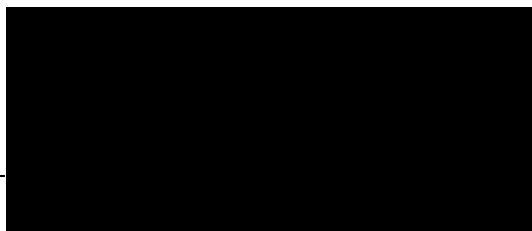
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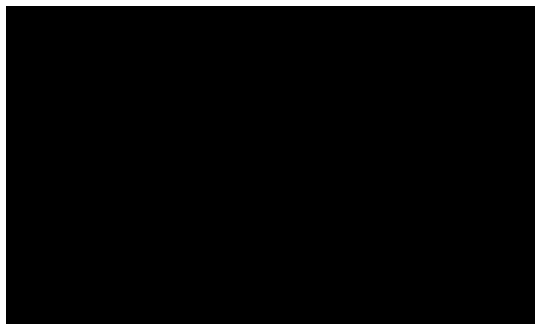
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SUMMARY

A2704-12 Soybean was transformed by direct gene transfer using vector pB2/35SAcK, which carries a phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (*pat*) gene and a beta-lactamase (*bla*) gene cassette. The *pat* gene encodes the phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (PAT/*pat*) enzyme and confers tolerance to glufosinate ammonium herbicides. Prior to transformation, the vector was digested with the *PvuI* restriction enzyme to disrupt the coding sequence of the *bla* gene and thereby removing any remote possibility of its expression. The OECD identifier is ACS-GMØØ5-3.

A scoping review was performed for A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein, PAT/*pat*. The objective of this scoping review was to determine if there were studies about the molecular characterization of A2704-12 soybean, its effect on food and feed safety or environmental safety, that might require an in-depth examination. A set of broad literature searches was performed using several bibliographic databases covering the scientific literature from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021. Additional sources of information, such as web pages of food safety, agriculture, and biotechnology-related regulatory authorities were searched for the same time window, along with the bibliographies of relevant reviews. The references identified were evaluated for potential relevance to the scoping review questions according to pre-defined criteria.

These literature searches identified a total of 153 unique publications, which were subject to rapid assessment to exclude obviously irrelevant publications. A total of 13 publications were progressed for detailed assessment.

None of the thirteen publications was determined to be relevant after the detailed review. There was no data on molecular characterization of A2704-12 soybean, or the PAT/*pat* protein that would suggest any potential adverse effects on human and animal health or on the environment. No evidence was identified that would warrant conducting a systematic review.

In summary, these literature searches and the review of the retrieved articles did not identify any relevant publication regarding the safety assessment of A2704-12 soybean.

1. INTRODUCTION

A2704-12 Soybean was transformed by direct gene transfer using vector pB2/35SAcK, which carries a phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (*pat*) gene and a beta-lactamase (*bla*) gene cassette. The *pat* gene encodes the phosphinothricin acetyltransferase (PAT/*pat*) enzyme and confers tolerance to glufosinate ammonium herbicides. Prior to transformation, the vector was digested with the *PvuI* restriction enzyme to disrupt the coding sequence of the *bla* gene and thereby removing any remote possibility of its expression. The OECD identifier is ACS-GMØØ5-3.

The objective of the literature searches described here was to determine if there were studies published between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021 that mention the molecular characterization of A2704-12 soybean, and/or any adverse effect of A2704-12 soybean in food, feed or the environment. In that context, a broad and inclusive literature search was performed as a scoping review, and the articles retrieved were reviewed in a comprehensive and transparent manner. The literature review was performed as recommended in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) explanatory note on literature searching conducted in the context of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO)¹ applications and post-market environmental monitoring activities (2019).

The literature searches were performed for A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein, PAT/*pat*. The search terms also included relevant synonyms, trade names and intended traits, plant species and general GMO terms.

2. OVERALL METHODS

2.1. Objective of the scoping review

The objective of the scoping review was to survey the evidence base for A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein, PAT/*pat*, in order to identify any specific issues related to food or feed safety, molecular characterization or environmental safety that might require in-depth examination.

2.2. Review questions

Review questions were formulated to conform to PE(I)CO structure (Population, Exposure (Intervention), Comparators, Outcome) if possible, and to address data requirements. They were modeled after the review question examples provided in the EFSA 2019 explanatory note¹.

Question 1: Were any studies published during the reporting period that describe adverse effects on human or animal health or the environment of A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein PAT/*pat*?

Key elements:

Population: Human health; animal health; environmental safety

Exposure: A2704-12 soybean, derived food/feed products, newly expressed protein in A2704-12 soybean

Comparators: When applicable, comparable populations or subjects exposed to appropriate controls (e.g., vehicle only, innocuous control protein, non-GM comparator) or conventional counterpart used for comparative analysis of plant material

Outcome: Adverse effects

Question 2: Were any studies published during the reporting period that focus on molecular characterization of A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein PAT/*pat* in soybean?

Key elements:

Population: A2704-12 soybean and newly expressed protein in A2704-12 soybean

Outcome: Molecular characterization (which would indicate the information/data requirement for molecular characteristics)

2.3. Criteria for relevance

Criteria for establishing the relevance of retrieved publications were defined prior to conduct of the search. These criteria were modeled after those given in the EFSA 2019 explanatory note¹ and are described in [Table 1](#).

Table 1: Eligibility/inclusion criteria to establish the relevance of retrieved publications

| Concepts | Criteria | Comment |
|--|---|--|
| Key elements of review questions with PECO structure | | |
| Population | The publication addresses human and animal health, and/or the environment (including biodiversity, ecosystem services, service providing units, and endangered species) as general protection goals | From the publications that address the GMO under consideration, those that address protection goals relevant to the risk assessment of the GMO are eligible |
| Exposure (Intervention) | The publication addresses the GMO, derived food/feed products, and/or the intended trait(s) (e.g., newly expressed protein(s)) that are identical or like those under regulatory review | This enables the selection of publications that address the GMO, derived food/feed products, and/or the intended trait(s) under consideration |
| Comparator | If the publication reports a comparative study that uses plant material as test material, eligible publications must report a non-GM variety as comparator | In those cases where the publication addresses the GMO under consideration, reports a comparative analysis study and uses plant material as test material, eligible publications also need to include an appropriate non-GM line as comparator |
| Outcome | The publication addresses effects/impacts on human and animal health, and/or the environment | Publications that address the GMO under consideration also need to address effects/impacts on entities of concern, and potential determinants of exposure that place these entities at risk, in order to be relevant to the risk assessment of the GMO |

| Concepts | Criteria | Comment |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Additional concepts | | |
| Information/data requirements | The publication reports information pertaining to one or more information/data requirement(s) outlined in Appendix A for the GMO and derived food/feed products under consideration, including the intended trait(s) | Publications that potentially contribute to the knowledge informing the risk assessment of the GMO under consideration, and thus the risk hypotheses addressed, taking account of both hazard and exposure, can be considered relevant according to this eligibility/inclusion criterion. Publications addressing other issues such as benefits, socio-economics, ethics, crop protection, detection methods, efficacy, public perception and risk communication can be excluded, as they are not necessarily relevant to the risk assessment of GMOs |
| Plant species | The publication addresses the same plant species as the GMO under consideration | This eligibility/inclusion criterion permits the exclusion of publications on GMOs that contain the same intended trait(s) as the GMO under consideration, but which are introduced in another plant species |
| Scope of GMO application | The publication addresses pathways and levels of exposure to the GMO, derived food/feed products, and the intended trait(s) that are relevant for the intended uses of the GMO and derived food/feed products under regulatory review | From the publications that address the GMO under consideration, those that consider pathways and levels of exposure relevant to the scope of the GMO application (i.e., import and processing for food/feed uses, cultivation) are eligible |
| Target pests/organisms | The publication addresses target pests/organisms that are established in the EU | This permits the exclusion of publications that address interactions between the GMO and target pests/organisms that do not occur in the EU |

| Concepts | Criteria | Comment |
|---|---|---|
| Stacked events obtained by conventional crosses/subcombinations | The publication addresses the higher stacked event and/or a subcombination or subcombinations of the single events of the higher stacked event, independently of its/their origin | This permits the selection of publications on the higher stacked event and/or subcombinations of the single events of the higher stacked event that are in the scope of the GMO application(s), independently of their origin. This permits the exclusion of publications on the single events of the higher stacked event, because the risk assessment of GMO applications for stacked events covers only the products in the scope of the GMO application – i.e., the higher stacked event and subcombinations of the singles involved, independently of their origin |
| Molecular stacks | The publication addresses: the molecular stack; all newly expressed proteins in the molecular stack; and/or one or several of the newly expressed proteins in the molecular stack that has/have not been previously risk assessed by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel and for which no safe use has been determined yet by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel | This permits the exclusion of publications that address one or several (not all) of the newly expressed proteins in the molecular stack that has/have been previously risk assessed by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel and for which the safe use has been determined by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel |
| Previously risk assessed publications | The publication has not been previously risk assessed by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel and is not cited/referenced in an EFSA/GMO Panel output | This permits the exclusion of publications that have been previously risk assessed by EFSA and/or its GMO Panel and cited/referenced in an EFSA/GMO Panel output |
| Access | Full-text document is accessible | If potentially relevant full-text documents cannot be obtained, they should be listed in a table with a description of the (unsuccessful) methods that have been used to try to obtain a copy |

| Concepts | Criteria | Comment |
|------------------|--|--|
| Reporting format | The publication presents original/primary data, or it is a risk assessment from a relevant key organisation (such as regulatory agencies and risk assessment bodies involved in the risk assessment of GMOs) | This permits the exclusion of publications that do not present original/primary data (e.g., editorials, position papers), and the inclusion of relevant risk assessments performed and reported by relevant key organisations. Reviews should only be included if they present data that are not available from a primary research study |
| Reporting format | A study in a publication should only be presented once, but if it is presented in more than one publication, all publications should be listed and grouped | Duplicate publications should be excluded at the screening stage. Only one copy of a study is required even if it is reported in different publications, and identified in more than one database |

Table adapted from EFSA, 2019: Explanatory note on literature searching conducted in the context of GMO applications for (renewed) market authorisation and annual post-market environmental monitoring reports on GMOs authorised in the EU market.

2.4. Reference publications

Two publications relevant for A2704-12 soybean were previously identified and used to test and validate the search strategy:

- Federici, S.; Paraskevopoulos, K. (2018). Risk assessment of new sequencing information for genetically modified soybean A2704-12. *EFSA Journal* **16(11)**:e05496.
- Naegeli, H.; Bresson, J. L.; Dalmay, T.; Dewhurst, I. C.; Epstein, M.; Firbank, L. G.; Guerche, P.; Hejatko, J.; Moreno, F. J.; Mullins, E.; Nogue, F.; Rostoks, N.; Serrano, J. J. S.; Savoini, G.; Veromann, E.; Veronesi, F.; Alvarez, F.; Ardizzone, M.; Papadopoulou, N.; Paraskevopoulos, K. (2019). Assessment of genetically modified soybean A2704-12 for renewal of authorisation under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA-GMO-RX-009). *EFSA Journal* **17(1)**:e05523

These articles were selected as reference publications because they mention the event name (A2704-12), the intended trait (herbicide tolerance) and the crop (soybean). Since these reference were published outside the searched time, the profile was tested without applying the time limits used in the final search profile (UP>=20201001 and UP<=20210930)

3. SEARCH METHODS AND OUTCOMES

The search strategies used here followed the 2019 EFSA explanatory note on literature searching conducted in the context of GMO applications and post-market environmental monitoring activities¹. The search strategies were designed to be broad and sensitive enough to capture any relevant publications, if available.

An information specialist with background in plant biotechnology selected the databases, identified relevant search terms, developed search profiles, designed search strategies, and conducted the searches.

3.1. Time window and date of the literature search

The database searches were performed on October 12, 2021. Only documents updated between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021, were considered in the search. The dates of most recent database updates are provided in [Table 3](#).

3.2. Databases used in the literature search

All searches were performed in the host STN (Scientific and Technical Information Network), an online database service operated jointly by CAS and FIZ Karlsruhe. STN provides access to a broad range of databases from the most renowned database producers worldwide.

The searches described here were performed in five databases: three multidisciplinary/large databases (Biosis, Medline and CA-Plus) and two subject-specific databases focused on agriculture-related topics (Agricola and CABA).

See [Appendix 1](#) for detailed database descriptions.

3.3. Search strategy

The search profile was designed to cover event name, newly expressed protein and intended traits. The reference publications ([Section 2.4](#)) were identified by the search profile, confirming the validity of the applied search strategy. Since the 'trade name', 'newly expressed protein' and the 'intended trait' profiles produced too many results when used on their own, they were combined with additional profiles: the 'trade name' and 'newly expressed protein' profiles were combined with a 'plant species' profile while the 'intended trait' profile was combined with a 'general GMO' profile as well as with the 'plant species' profile. See [Table 2](#) for a detailed search profile.

Table 2: Search profile for database search

| Set | Search string | Concepts |
|-----|---|------------------------------|
| 1 | LL27 or A2704-12 or A2704(w)12 or A(w)2704(w)12 or ACS-GM005-3 or ACS-GMO05-3 or ACS(w)GM005(w)3 or ACS(w)GMO05(w)3 or ACSGM005(w)3 or ACSGMO05(w)3 | Event name |
| 2 | libertylink or libertylinktm or libertylinkrtm or liberty(w)link or liberty(w)linktm or liberty(w)linkrtm or LL or LLTM or LLRTM | Trade name |
| 3 | ((bar or pat)(2a)(gene# or protein# or enzyme#)) or ppt(2w)acetyltransferase or ppt(2w)acetyl(w)transferase or pt(w)n(2w)acetyltransferase or pt(w)n(2w)acetyl(w)transferase or phosphinothricin(w)n(w)acetyltransferase or phosphinothricin(2w)acetyltransferase or phosphinothricin(2w)acetyl(w)transferase or phosphinothricinacetyl(w)transferase | Newly expressed protein |
| 4 | (herbicid? or bialaphos or basta or glufosinate or phosphinothricin or liberty?)(5a)(resist? or toleran? or protect?) | Intended trait |
| 5 | soy or soya or soja or soybean# or soyabean# or sojabean# or glycine(w)max or g(w)max | Plant species |
| 6 | GMO OR GMOs OR LMO OR LMOs OR GM OR GE OR transgen? OR (genetic?(3a)(modif? OR transform? OR manipulat? OR improv? OR engineer?)) | GMO general |
| 7 | 2 and 5 | Trade name AND Plant species |

| | | |
|----|------------------|---|
| 8 | 3 and 5 | Newly expressed protein AND Plant species |
| 9 | 4 and 5 and 6 | Intended trait AND Plant species AND GMO general |
| 10 | 1 or 7 or 8 or 9 | Event name OR (Trade name AND plant species) OR (Newly expressed protein AND Plant species) OR (Intended trait AND Plant species AND GMO general) |

All searches were performed in the Basic Index (BI) field, which includes the following subject headings/field names:

- **Agricola:** title (TI), controlled term (CT), supplementary term (ST), abstract (AB), named person (NA), corporate name (CO), note (NTE), geographic term, CABA and other fields (GT)
- **Biosis:** title (TI), abstract (AB), biosystematic codes (BC), chemical name (CN), controlled term (CT), gene name (GEN), geographic term (GT), organism (ORGN) and supplementary term (ST); as well as CAS Registry Numbers (RN)
- **CA-Plus:** title (TI), supplementary term (ST), index term (IT) and abstract (AB); as well as CAS Registry Numbers
- **CABA:** title (TI), controlled term (CT), supplementary term (ST), broader term (BT), abstract (AB), organism name (ORGN) and geographic term (GT); as well as CAS Registry Numbers
- **Medline:** title (TI), chemical name (CN), gene name (GEN), controlled term (excluding MeSH numbers) (CT), supplementary term (ST), named person (NA), other source (OS), and abstract (AB), as well as CAS Registry Numbers and GenBank Numbers

Relevant controlled terms ([Table 3](#)) were not searched separately because they are included in the Basic Index and were captured by the free-text searches.

Table 3: Relevant controlled terms (CT) and index terms (IT) in each database

| Database | Event | New protein | Intended traits | Plant species | GM plants |
|-----------------|-------|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| Agricola | None | None | "HERBICIDE RESISTANCE" | "GLYCINE MAX" | "TRANSGENIC PLANTS" |
| Biosis | None | None | No terms for herbicide resistance | none | None |
| CABA | None | None | "HERBICIDE RESISTANCE" | SOYABEANS | "TRANSGENIC PLANTS" |
| CAS | None | None | "HERBICIDE RESISTANCE" | "GLYCINE MAX" | "GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANTS" |
| Medline | None | None | "HERBICIDE RESISTANCE" | SOYABEANS/CT | "PLANTS, GENETICALLY MODIFIED" |

The search results were limited to documents updated between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021 (UP>=20201001 and UP<=20210930), and to non-patent documents (not P/DT). To ensure that documents with indexing errors where two document types (DTs) (one eligible and one ineligible) were attached to a single record were not missed, documents with both 'journal' and 'patent' as document type were also kept. These putative documents would be identified with (P/DT AND J/DT) in CABA and CAPlus.

[Table 4](#) summarizes the number of results obtained from each of the databases searched.

See [Appendix 2](#) for a complete search history.

Table 4: Overview of the selected databases and summary of search results from each database

| Database | AGRICOLA | BIOSIS | CAB Abstracts | CAPLUS | MEDLINE |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Database Provider | STN International | STN International | STN International | STN International | STN International |
| Coverage | 1970-present | 1926-present | 1973-present | 1907-present | 1946-present |
| Date of search | 12 Oct 2021 | 12 Oct 2021 | 12 Oct 2021 | 12 Oct 2021 | 12 Oct 2021 |
| Datespan of the search | 1 Oct 2020 – 30 Sept 2021 | 1 Oct 2020 – 30 Sept 2021 | 1 Oct 2020 – 30 Sept 2021 | 1 Oct 2020 – 30 Sept 2021 | 1 Oct 2020 – 30 Sept 2021 |
| Latest database update | 11 Oct 2021 | 6 Oct 2021 | 5 Oct 2021 | 11 Oct 2021 | 11 Oct 2021 |
| Number of records retrieved | 21 | 26 | 62 | 63 | 19 |
| Number of records after duplicate removal | 18 | 20 | 47 | 49 | 19 |
| Number of relevant records after rapid assessment | 4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 |

4. INTERNET and MANUAL SEARCHES

4.1. Internet Searches of food safety, agriculture, and biotechnology-related regulatory authority webpages

A search of the web pages of food safety, agriculture, and biotechnology-related regulatory authorities was conducted. Search results were manually examined for relevant records that were either published during the time period under consideration (date span of search: October 1, 2020 to September 30,

2021) or that referred to relevant records published during this time frame. Relevance of results was determined based on the criteria listed in [Table 1](#) and are summarized in [Table 5](#). All web pages searched were justified by their recommendation in the EFSA 2019 explanatory note¹. Of the 13 key organisations cited in the EFSA 2019 explanatory note¹, Environment and Climate Change Canada and Intersecretarial Commission on Biosafety of GMOs (CIBIOGEM) were excluded, since they are not involved in the risk assessment of GM plants. The US-EPA website was excluded, since A2704-12 soybean does not contain an insect-resistant trait. The GEAC website was excluded, since this agency has only regulated GM cotton products. Therefore, the internet search was limited to nine key organisations relevant for A2704-12 soybean. Search terms consisted of LL27 or A2704-12 or LibertyLink soy 27, or ACS-GMØØ5-3, PAT/*pat*, or phosphinothricin (all searched singly, with no search limits applied).

Table 5: Results of search of food safety, agriculture, and biotechnology-related authority websites

| Source Site Name | Website URL | Date of Most Recent Site Update | Date of Search | No. of Relevant Records |
|--|---|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| US Department of Agriculture (USDA) | https://www.usda.gov/ | Oct. 22, 2021 | Oct. 22, 2021 | 0 |
| US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) | https://www.fda.gov/ | Oct. 22, 2021 | Oct. 22, 2021 | 0 |
| Health Canada | https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada.html | Sept. 2021 | Oct. 21, 2021 | 0 |
| Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) | https://www.canada.ca/en/food-inspection-agency.html | Sept. 2021 | Oct. 21, 2021 | 0 |
| Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) | http://www.foodstandards.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx | Oct. 10, 2021 | Oct. 10, 2021 | 0 |
| Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) Australia | http://www.ogtr.gov.au/ | Oct. 10, 2021 | Oct. 10, 2021 | 0 |
| National Technical Commission on Biosafety (CTNBio) Brazil | http://ctnbio.mcti.gov.br/en | Oct. 2021 | Oct. 13-15, 2021 | 0 |
| National Advisory Commission on Agricultural Biotechnology (CONABIA) Argentina | https://www.argentina.gob.ar/agroindustria/bioeconomia/biotecnologia | Oct. 1, 2021 | Oct. 18, 2021 | 0 |
| Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) Japan | http://www.maff.go.jp/ | Oct. 14, 2021 | Oct. 14, 2021 | 0 |

4.2. Manual searches of reference lists of recent review articles

Recent review articles as sources of reference lists to search for potentially relevant studies were identified via searches of PubMed.gov for general terms such as “GMO” or “GM crops” in the titles and abstracts published between October 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021. The resulting number of relevant studies found within the bibliographies of these review articles is given in [Table 6](#).

Table 6: Documents for which reference lists were scanned for relevant studies

| No | Author(s) and Year | Title | Source | Number of relevant bibliographic references retrieved |
|----|---|--|--|---|
| 1 | Golnar AJ, Ruell E, Lloyd AL, Pepin KM. 2021 | Embracing Dynamic Models for Gene Drive Management. | Trends Biotechnol. 2021 Mar;39(3):211-214. doi: 10.1016/j.tibtech.2020.08.011. Epub 2020 Sep 30. PMID: 33010965. | 0 |
| 2 | Gupta S, Kumar A, Patel R, Kumar V. 2021 | Genetically modified crop regulations: scope and opportunity using the CRISPR-Cas9 genome editing approach. | Mol Biol Rep. 2021 May;48(5):4851-4863. doi: 10.1007/s11033-021-06477-9. Epub 2021 Jun 10. PMID: 34114124. | 0 |
| 3 | Hadrup N, Frederiksen M, Wedeby EB, Nikolov NG, Carøe TK, Sørli JB, Frydendall KB, Liguori B, Sejbaek CS, Wolkoff P, Flachs EM, Schlünssen V, Meyer HW, Clausen PA, Hougaard KS. 2021 | Asthma-inducing potential of 28 substances in spray cleaning products-Assessed by quantitative structure activity relationship (QSAR) testing and literature review. | J Appl Toxicol. 2021 Jul 11. doi:10.1002/jat.4215. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34247391. | 0 |
| 4 | Kumar V, Guleria P. 2020 | Application of DNA-Nanosensor for Environmental Monitoring: Recent Advances and Perspectives. | Curr Pollut Rep. 2020 Dec 12:1-21. doi: 10.1007/s40726-020-00165-1. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 33344145; PMCID: PMC7732738. | 0 |
| 5 | Hameed A, Mehmood MA, Shahid M, Fatma S, Khan A, Ali S. 2020 | Prospects for potato genome editing to engineer resistance against viruses and cold-induced sweetening. | GM Crops Food. 2020 Oct 1;11(4):185-205. doi: 10.1080/21645698.2019.1631115. Epub 2019 Jul 6. PMID: 31280681; PMCID: PMC7518746. | 0 |

| No | Author(s) and Year | Title | Source | Number of relevant bibliographic references retrieved |
|----|---|--|---|---|
| 6 | Leska A, Nowak A, Nowak I, Górczyńska A. 2021 | Effects of Insecticides and Microbiological Contaminants on <i>Apis mellifera</i> . | Health. Molecules. 2021 Aug 22;26(16):5080. doi: 10.3390/molecules26165080. PMID: 34443668; PMCID: PMC8398688 | 0 |
| 7 | Madzak C. 2021 | <i>Yarrowia lipolytica</i> Strains and Their Biotechnological Applications: How Natural Biodiversity and Metabolic Engineering Could Contribute to Cell Factories Improvement. | J Fungi (Basel). 2021 Jul 10;7(7):548. doi: 10.3390/jof7070548. PMID: 34356927; PMCID: PMC8307478. | 0 |
| 8 | Menz J, Modrzejewski D, Hartung F, Wilhelm R, Sprink T. 2020 | Genome Edited Crops Touch the Market: A View on the Global Development and Regulatory Environment. | Front Plant Sci. 2020 Oct 9;11:586027. doi: 10.3389/fpls.2020.586027. PMID:33163013; PMCID: PMC7581933. | 0 |
| 9 | Mushtaq M, Ahmad Dar A, Skalicky M, Tyagi A, Bhagat N, Basu U, Bhat BA, Zaid A, Ali S, Dar TU, Rai GK, Wani SH, Habib-Ur-Rahman M, Hejnak V, Vachova P, Brestic M, Çığ A, Çığ F, Erman M, El Sabagh A. 2021 | CRISPR-Based Genome Editing Tools: Insights into Technological Breakthroughs and Future Challenges. | Genes (Basel). 2021 May 24;12(6):797. doi: 10.3390/genes12060797. PMID: 34073848; PMCID: PMC8225059. | 0 |
| 10 | Okoli AS, Blix T, Myhr AI, Xu W, Xu X. 2021 | Sustainable use of CRISPR/Cas in fish aquaculture: the biosafety perspective. | Transgenic Res. 2021 Jul 25. doi:10.1007/s11248-021-00274-7. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34304349. | 0 |
| 11 | Teferra TF. 2021 | Should we still worry about the safety of GMO foods? Why and why not? A review. | Food Sci Nutr. 2021 Jul 27;9(9):5324-5331. doi: 10.1002/fsn3.2499. PMID: 34532037; PMCID: PMC8441473. | 0 |

| No | Author(s) and Year | Title | Source | Number of relevant bibliographic references retrieved |
|----|--|--|--|---|
| 12 | Turnbull C, Lillemo M, Hvoslef-Eide TAK. 2021 | Global Regulation of Genetically Modified Crops Amid the Gene Edited Crop Boom - A Review. | Front Plant Sci. 2021 Feb 24;12:630396. doi: 10.3389/fpls.2021.630396. PMID: 33719302; PMCID: PMC7943453 | 0 |
| 13 | Woźniak E, Tyczewska A, Twardowski T. 2021 | A Shift Towards Biotechnology: Social Opinion in the EU. | Trends Biotechnol. 2021 Mar;39(3):214-218. doi: 10.1016/j.tibtech.2020.08.001. Epub 2020 Sep 4. PMID: 32896439. | 0 |
| 14 | Zhang Y, Restall J, Crisp P, Godwin I, Liu G. 2021 | Current status and prospects of plant genome editing in Australia. | In Vitro Cell Dev Biol Plant. 2021 May 24:1-10. doi: 10.1007/s11627-021-10188-y. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 34054265; PMCID: PMC8143062. | 0 |

5. RESULTS OF THE STUDY IDENTIFICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

The database searches ([Section 3](#)) identified a total of 191 references, which were reduced to 153 after removal of duplicates ([Table 4](#)). No additional studies were identified in the manual searches ([Section 4](#)).

5.1. Screening of titles and abstracts to exclude obviously irrelevant references (Stage 1)

All references identified in the database searches described in [Section 3](#) were assessed for relevance based on information in their title and abstract by two reviewers independently. If opinions of relevance differed, the discrepancies were discussed between the reviewers and if a disagreement had persisted, the publication in question was transferred to Stage 2 for detailed evaluation by the experts. In this search, both evaluators were in 100 % agreement.

Clearly irrelevant records were tagged as “Not Relevant”. These included:

- Duplicated entries
- Secondary literature (reviews), other than assessments from regulatory authorities
- Articles on non-relevant topics like detection methods, socio-economic implications of GM crops, GM policy, agronomical performance, other herbicide resistant GM crops, other insect resistant GM crops, unrelated topics, etc.

Publications which appeared to be relevant and those of unclear relevance were tagged as “Relevant” and progressed to Stage 2 (detailed assessment; see [Section 5.2](#)).

The number of publications excluded after rapid assessment for relevance is presented in [Table 7](#) documenting the selection process.

5.2. Detailed assessment of eligible references (Stage 2)

Publications tagged as “Relevant” in Stage 1 were assessed in detail independently by two scientific experts in each of three corresponding areas (i.e., Molecular Biology, Food and Feed Safety, Environmental Safety), based on the full text of the publications. If opinions of relevance differed between the experts within each area, the initial reviewers discussed the discrepancy as necessary and consulted additional reviewers to resolve the discrepancy if needed.

[Table 7](#) gives an overview of the reference selection process and results of the detailed assessment.

Table 7: Results of the publication selection process

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|---|-----|
| Total number of publications retrieved after all searches of the scientific literature (excluding duplicates) | 153 |
| Number of publications excluded from the search results after rapid assessment for relevance (Stage 1) | 140 |
| Total number of full-text documents assessed in detail | 13 |
| Number of publications excluded from further consideration after detailed assessment for relevance (Stage 2) | 13 |
| Total number of unobtainable/unclear publications | 0 |
| Total number of relevant publications | 0 |

[Table 8](#) lists the publications determined to be relevant along with their potential impact on the safety assessment based on detailed evaluation. Publications that were clearly not relevant after a detailed assessment are listed in [Table 9](#). [Table 10](#) lists the publications for which full-text documents were unobtainable for detailed assessment or for which relevance was unclear after detailed assessment.

Table 8: Report of all relevant publications retrieved after detailed assessment of full-text documents for relevance: ordered by category of information/data requirement(s)

| Main category of information/data requirement | Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source |
|---|----------------------------|-------|--------|
| No publications in this category. | | | |

Table 9: Report of publications excluded from the risk assessment after detailed assessment of full-text documents

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Reason(s) for exclusion based on eligibility/inclusion criteria listed in Table 1 |
|--|---|--|---|
| Albrecht, Alfredo Junior P. De Brito, Ivana Paula F. S. Albrecht, Leandro P. Silva, Andre Felipe M. De Matos, Ana Karollyna A. Carbonari, Caio Antonio Velini, Edivaldo D. 2020 | Metabolic Changes, Agronomic Performance, and Quality of Seeds in Soybean with the Pat Gene after Application of Glufosinate. | Weed science (2 Oct 2020), Volume 68, Number 6, pp. 594-604, 11 p. ISSN: 0043-1745; 0043-1745 Source Note: 20201002, v. 68, no. 6. | The publication is not relevant to the risk assessment of GMOs. |
| Fast Brandon J Shan Guomin Herman Rod A Gampala Satyalinga Srinivas 2020 | Transgene expression in sprayed and non-sprayed herbicide -tolerant genetically engineered crops is equivalent. | Regulatory toxicology and pharmacology : RTP, (2020 Mar) Vol. 111, pp. 104572. Electronic Publication Date: 26 Dec 2019 Journal code: 8214983. E-ISSN: 1096-0295. L-ISSN: 0273-2300. | A2704-12 soybean was not included in the study |

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Reason(s) for exclusion based on eligibility/inclusion criteria listed in Table 1 |
|---|---|--|--|
| Kim, Hye Jin Kim, Do Young Moon, Ye Seul Park, In Soon Park, Kee Woong Chung, Young Soo Kim, Young Joong Nam, Kyong-Hee Kim, Chang-Gi 2019 | Gene flow from herbicide resistant transgenic soybean to conventional soybean and wild soybean. | Applied Biological Chemistry (2019), 62(1), 1-8 CODEN: ABCPCW; ISSN: 2468-0842 | The authors aimed to determine gene flow rates from glyphosate- and glufosinate-resistant transgenic soybeans (transgenic line Bert-4-3 developed from the cultivar 'Bert') to five commercial soybean cultivars and three accessions of wild soybeans in South Korea. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12 soybean. |
| Meyer, Chris J. Norsworthy, Jason K. 2020 | Timing and Application Rate for Sequential Applications of Glufosinate are Critical for Maximizing Control of Annual Weeds in LibertyLink ® Soybean. | International journal of agronomy (4 Jul 2020), Volume 2020, 7 p. ISSN: 1687-8167; 1687-8167; 1687-8159 Source Note: 20200704, v. 2020. | The authors aimed to evaluate single and sequential post applications of glufosinate on large weeds (<i>Palmer amaranth</i> , barnyardgrass, and broadleaf signalgrass) and determine the optimum application window for sequential applications. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12. |
| Oh, Sung-Dug Min, Seok-Ki Kim, Jae Kwang Park, Jung-Ho Kim, Chang-Gi Park, Soo Yun 2020 | Risk assessment and evaluation of epidermal growth factor (EGF) transgenic soybean : responses of <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> fed on EGF transgenic soybean. | Korean Journal of Agricultural Science (2020), 47(4), 815-827 CODEN: KJASAP; ISSN: 2466-2410 URL: http://kjoas.org/ | A2704-12 soybean was not considered. |

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Reason(s) for exclusion based on eligibility/inclusion criteria listed in Table 1 |
|---|--|--|---|
| Pan Guang Yang Fan Zhang GuiMing Liu XinJiao Lu XiaoYu Xiang CaiYu Ling XingYuan Pan, G. Yang, F. Zhang, G. M. Liu, X. J. Lu, X. Y. Xiang, C. Y. Ling, X. Y. 2020 | Event detection and analysis of imported genetically modified soybean. | Chinese Journal of Oil Crop Sciences (2020), Volume 42, Number 2, pp. 298-305, 11 refs. ISSN: 1007-9084 Published by: Editorial Department of Chinese Journal of Oil Crop Sciences, Wuchang | Batches of soybean imported from the United States, Brazil, Canada and Argentina were tested with the event-specific detection method for 17 genetically modified (GM) soybean events. The analyzed results showed that out of 17 GM soybean events, only 7 approved ones were detected in all batches of imported soybeans (including A2704-12). According to the authors the results could be useful for China to detect and identify imported GM soybeans, and improve surveillance of imported GM soybean. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12, hence, not relevant. |
| Sahin, O. Karlik, E. Meric, S. Ari, S. Gozukirmizi, N. 2020 | Genome organization changes in GM and non-GM soybean [<i>Glycine max</i> (L.) Merr.] under salinity stress by retro-transposition events. | Genetic Resources and Crop Evolution (2020), Volume 67, Number 6, pp. 1551-1566, many ref. ISSN: 0925-9864; 1573-5109 Published by: Springer, Dordrecht. | A2704-12 soybean was not included in the study. |
| Schulz Ralf Bub Sascha Petschick Lara L Stehle Sebastian Wolfram Jakob 2021 | Applied pesticide toxicity shifts toward plants and invertebrates, even in GM crops. | Science (New York, N.Y.), (20210402) Vol. 372, No. 6537, pp. 81-84. Journal code: 0404511. E-ISSN: 1095-9203. L-ISSN: 0036-8075. | The authors assessed 381 pesticides from 1992 to 2016 by 1591 regulatory threshold levels (thresholds indicative of potential biodiversity impacts) for eight different groups of non-target species. They claimed some correlations with GM crops adoption in the US (Bt corn and HT soybeans). Not related to the environmental risk assessment of A2704-12. |

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Reason(s) for exclusion based on eligibility/inclusion criteria listed in Table 1 |
|--|---|--|--|
| Sieradzki, Zbigniew Mazur, Malgorzata Krol, Beata Kwiatk, Krzysztof 2021 | Prevalence of genetically modified soybean in animal feedingstuffs in Poland. | Journal of Veterinary Research (29 Jan 2021), Volume 65, Number 1, pp. 93-99, 7 p. ISSN: 2450-8608; 2450-8608 Source Note: 20210129, v. 65, no. 1. | The publication is not relevant to the risk assessment of GMOs. |
| Soga Keisuke Kimata Shinya Narushima Jumpei Akiyama Hiroshi Kondo Kazunari Nakamura Kosuke Sato Sakiko Sato Emi Kawakami Hiroshi Mano Junichi Takabatake Reona Kitta Kazumi 2020 | Development and Testing of an Individual Kernel Detection System for Genetically Modified Soybean Events in Non-identity-preserved Soybean Samples. | Biological + pharmaceutical bulletin, (2020) Vol. 43, No. 8, pp. 1259-1266. Journal code: 9311984. E-ISSN: 1347-5215. L-ISSN: 0918-6158. | The authors evaluated a GM soybean kernel detection system using combination of DNA preparation of individual soybean kernels and event-specific real-time PCR detection for detecting all GM soybeans authorized in Japan. Soybean samples brought to Japan in 2017 from the U.S.A. and Brazil were examined. HT events, MON89788, GTS 40-3-2 and A2704-12 were detected in U.S.A. lots. In the Brazilian lot, GTS 40-3-2 and MON87701 X MON89788 were detected. There were no unauthorized GM soybeans comingled, and the ratio of GM soybean events detected was consistent with statistical reports on the cultivated GM soybean events in both countries. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12. |
| Xu, Junyi Cao, Jijuan Li, Xin Luo, Jia Bai, Jinglian Zheng, Qiuyue Yang, Lili Wang, Yong 2020 | Detection and analysis of stacked-trait transgenic events in imported practical soybean. | Oil crop science (21 Sep 2020) ISSN: 2096-2428 Source Note: 20200921 | The authors performed a survey using the real-time qPCR to detect and analyze seven batches of imported practical transgenic soybean samples in China, in which eight mixed events have been detected (A2704-12 - approved in China, was one of them). Based on that, practical soybean single-seed was extracted for single-seed multi-target detection analysis to detect the stacked-trait transgenic soybean MON87708 × MON89788 event (not approved in China) and to further make relative content estimations. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12, hence, not relevant. |

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Reason(s) for exclusion based on eligibility/inclusion criteria listed in Table 1 |
|---|---|--|---|
| Yook Min-Jung Park Hae-Rim Lim Soo-Hyun Zhang Chuan-Jie Jeong Soon-Chun Chung Young Soo Kim Do-Soon 2021 | Environmental risk assessment of glufosinate-resistant soybean by pollen-mediated gene flow under field conditions in the region of the genetic origin. | The Science of the total environment, (2021 Mar 25) Vol. 762, pp. 143073. Electronic Publication Date: 17 Oct 2020 Journal code: 0330500. E-ISSN: 1879-1026. L-ISSN: 0048-9697. | Two-year field experiments were conducted to quantify the gene flow from GM soybean (event AtSIZ #6, Glycine max L. cv. Kwangankong) glufosinate resistant to wild soybean (<i>Glycine soja</i> Sieb. and Zucc., IT 182932) and model the potential gene flow under field conditions in Korea. In addition, field performance of hybrids resulted from gene flow was evaluated and compared with parent soybeans (GM and wild soybean) to estimate the potential weed risk of hybrids. Not related to the risk assessment of A2704-12 soybean. |
| Zhang Li Li Shu-Fei Zhou Qing-Hong Liu Ying-Hua Zhang Jing Qian Zhi-Yong 2021 | Subchronic toxicity study in rats evaluating herbicide-tolerant soybean DAS-68416-4. | Regulatory toxicology and pharmacology : RTP, (2021 Feb) Vol. 119, pp. 104833. Electronic Publication Date: 28 Nov 2020 Journal code: 8214983. E-ISSN: 1096-0295. L-ISSN: 0273-2300. | A2704-12 soybean was not considered. |

Table 10: Report of unobtainable/unclear publications

| Study (Author(s) and year) | Title | Source | Description of (unsuccessful) methods used to try and obtain a copy of the publication |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|--|
| No publications in this category. | | | |

6. NARRATIVE SYNTHESIS/SUMMARY OF RELEVANT STUDIES

A total of thirteen publications were selected during Stage 1 evaluation (rapid assessment based on title and abstract). After Stage 2 evaluation (detailed review based on full text), it was determined that none of the publications were relevant for the safety assessment of A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein PAT/*pat*.

[Table 11](#) lists the relevant publications along with a summary of any adverse effects reported and the reliability of the publications.

Table 11: Summary report for all relevant publications retrieved after detailed assessment of full-text documents for relevance and report of the reliability and implications for the risk assessment: ordered by category of information/data requirement(s)

| Main category of information/data requirement | Study (Author(s) and year) | Intervention/ test materials used | Adverse effects reported | Which adverse effect reported | Summary of reliability appraisal | Implications for risk assessment |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| No publications in this category. | | | | | | |

7. CONCLUSION

The literature searches performed for A2704-12 soybean and its newly expressed protein, PAT/*pat*, for the period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021, identified a total of 153 unique publications (after duplicate removal). A total of thirteen publications were progressed for detailed assessment after excluding 140 obviously irrelevant publications during Stage 1 evaluation (rapid assessment based on title and abstract).

The thirteen publications that progressed to Stage 2 were evaluated in detail, based on full text, for potential relevance, following the pre-established criteria listed in [Table 1](#). No relevant references with bearing on molecular characterization were identified. No issues or topics were identified that would trigger or warrant a more specific question formulation.

8. REFERENCES

| No. | Author(s), title, source, edition, year, pages |
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| 1. | Devos Y, Guajardo IM, Alvarez F and Glanville J. Explanatory note on literature searching conducted in the context of GMO applications for (renewed) market authorisation and annual post-market environmental monitoring reports on GMOs authorised in the EU market. EFSA supporting publications 2019:EN-1614. 62 pages. doi:10.2903/sp.efsa.2019.EN-1614. |
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9. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Database descriptions

| Host | File | Description |
|------|----------|--|
| STN | AGRICOLA | <p>Agriculture Online Access is a bibliographic database containing selected worldwide literature of agriculture and related fields. AGRICOLA is the locator and bibliographic access and control system of the National Agricultural Library (NAL) collections and also includes records from other cooperating institutions. Coverage of the database includes agricultural economics and rural sociology, agricultural production, animal sciences, chemistry, entomology, food and human nutrition, forestry, natural resources, pesticides, plant science, soils and fertilizers, and water resources. Also covered are related areas such as biology and biotechnology, botany, ecology, and natural history.</p> <p>The database draws on bibliographies, serial articles, book chapters, monographs, computer files, serials, maps, audiovisuals, and reports. Bibliographic information, abstracts, geographic terms, controlled terms, and supplementary terms are searchable.</p> |
| STN | BIOSIS | <p>BIOSIS Previews® is the largest and most comprehensive life science database in the world. Amongst others subject coverage includes Agriculture, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Botany, Environmental Biology, Physiology, Toxicology.</p> <p>Sources include periodicals, journals, conference proceedings, reviews, reports, patents, and short communications. Nearly 6,000 life source journals, 1,500 international meetings as well as review articles, books, and monographs are reviewed for inclusion.</p> <p>Bibliographic information, indexing terms, abstracts, and CAS Registry Numbers are all searchable.</p> |
| STN | CABA/CAB | <p>The CAB Abstracts database covers worldwide literature from all areas of agriculture and related sciences including Agriculture, Agricultural chemicals, Animal sciences and production, Crop protection, Crop sciences and production, Environment, Soils and fertilizers.</p> <p>Sources for CABA include journals, books, reports, published theses, conference proceedings, and patents.</p> <p>Bibliographic information, indexing terms, abstracts, and CAS Registry Numbers are searchable.</p> |

| Host | File | Description |
|------|-------------------|--|
| STN | CAS- CA/CAPLUS | <p>The Chemical Abstracts (CA) database covers all areas of Biochemistry, Chemistry and Chemical engineering, and related sciences.</p> <p>Sources include over 8,000 journals, patents from 38 national patent offices and two international patent organizations, technical reports, books, conference proceedings, and dissertations. Electronic only journals and Web preprints are also covered.</p> <p>Bibliographic terms, indexing terms, roles, CAS Registry Numbers, International Patent Classification, and abstracts are searchable.</p> |
| STN | MEDLINE | <p>MEDLINE contains information on every area of medicine. The MEDLINE database corresponds to Index Medicus, Index to Dental Literature, and International Nursing Index; OLDMEDLINE, with data from NLM's from the Cumulated Index Medicus (1960-1965) and Current List of Medical Literature (1958-1959); and, since August 2001, IN-PROCESS records, the latest documents before they have been completely indexed for inclusion on MEDLINE.</p> <p>Sources include journals and chapters in books or symposia. Bibliographic information, indexing terms, abstracts, chemical names, and CAS Registry Numbers are all searchable.</p> <p>Online thesauri are available for the Medical Subject Headings (/MN), Controlled Terms (/CT) and Chemical Name (/CN) fields.</p> |

Appendix 2 Search history

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PHOSPHINOTHRICIN OR LIBERTY?)(5A)(RESIST? OR TOLERAN? OR
PROTECT?)

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OR GLYCINE(W)MAX OR G(W)MAX

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(GENETIC?(3A)(MODIF? OR TRANSFORM? OR MANIPULAT? OR IMPROV? OR
ENGINEER?))

L9 49 SEA L2 AND L7

L10 51 SEA L5 AND L7

L11 236 SEA L6 AND L7 AND L8

L12 324 SEA L1 OR L9 OR L10 OR L11

L13 49 SEA L12 AND PY>=2019

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L25 407 SEA L20 AND L21 AND L22

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ENGINEER?))
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L38 44 SEA L33 AND L35
L39 391 SEA L34 AND L35 AND L36
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PHOSPHINOTHRICIN OR LIBERTY?)(5A)(RESIST? OR TOLERAN? OR
PROTECT?)
L49 194201 SEA SOY OR SOYA OR SOJA OR SOYBEAN# OR SOYABEAN# OR SOJABEAN#
OR GLYCINE(W)MAX OR G(W)MAX
L50 184643 SEA GMO OR GMOS OR LMO OR LMOS OR GM OR GE OR TRANSGEN? OR
(GENETIC?(3A)(MODIF? OR TRANSFORM? OR MANIPULAT? OR IMPROV? OR
ENGINEER?))
L51 149 SEA L44 AND L49

L52 110 SEA L47 AND L49
L53 775 SEA L48 AND L49 AND L50
L54 995 SEA L43 OR L51 OR L52 OR L53
L55 995 SEA L54 NOT P/DT
L56 0 SEA L54 AND (P/DT AND J/DT)
L57 995 SEA L55 OR L56
L58 110 SEA L57 AND PY>=2019
L59 62 SEA L58 AND UP>=20201001 AND UP<=20210930

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L60 42 SEA LL27 OR A2704-12 OR A2704(W)12 OR A(W)2704(W)12 OR
ACS-GM005-3 OR ACS-GMO05-3 OR ACS(W)GM005(W)3 OR ACS(W)GMO05(W)
3 OR ACSGM005(W)3 OR ACSGMO05(W)3
L61 19972 SEA LIBERTYLINK OR LIBERTYLINKTM OR LIBERTYLINKRTM OR LIBERTY(W)
)LINK OR LIBERTY(W)LINKTM OR LIBERTY(W)LINKRTM OR LL OR LLTM
OR LLRTM
L62 5210 SEA ((BAR OR PAT)(2A)(GENE# OR PROTEIN# OR ENZYME#)) OR
PPT(2W)ACETYLTRANSFERASE OR PPT(2W)ACETYL(W)TRANSFERASE OR
PT(W)N(2W)ACETYLTRANSFERASE OR PT(W)N(2W)ACETYL(W)TRANSFERASE
L63 783 SEA PHOSPHINOTHRICIN(W)N(W)ACETYLTRANSFERASE OR PHOSPHINOTHRICI
N(2W)ACETYLTRANSFERASE OR PHOSPHINOTHRICIN(2W)ACETYL(W)TRANSFER
ASE OR PHOSPHINOTHRICINACETYL(W)TRANSFERASE
L64 5510 SEA (L62 OR L63)
L65 27984 SEA (HERBICID? OR BIALAPHOS OR BASTA OR GLUFOSINATE OR
PHOSPHINOTHRICIN OR LIBERTY?)(5A)(RESIST? OR TOLERAN? OR
PROTECT?)
L66 411292 SEA SOY OR SOYA OR SOJA OR SOYBEAN# OR SOYABEAN# OR SOJABEAN#
OR GLYCINE(W)MAX OR G(W)MAX
L67 692714 SEA GMO OR GMOS OR LMO OR LMOS OR GM OR GE OR TRANSGEN? OR
(GENETIC?(3A)(MODIF? OR TRANSFORM? OR MANIPULAT? OR IMPROV? OR
ENGINEER?))
L68 229 SEA L61 AND L66
L69 489 SEA L64 AND L66
L70 6092 SEA L65 AND L66 AND L67
L71 6620 SEA L60 OR L68 OR L69 OR L70
L72 735 SEA L71 NOT P/DT
L73 0 SEA L71 AND (P/DT AND J/DT)
L74 735 SEA L72 OR L73
L75 93 SEA L74 AND PY>=2019
L76 63 SEA L75 AND UP>=20201001 AND UP<=20210930

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L77 153 DUP REM L14 L28 L42 L59 L76 (38 DUPLICATES REMOVED)
ANSWERS '1-19' FROM FILE MEDLINE
ANSWERS '20-39' FROM FILE BIOSIS
ANSWERS '40-57' FROM FILE AGRICOLA
ANSWERS '58-104' FROM FILE CABA
ANSWERS '105-153' FROM FILE HCAPLUS