

Innovative Agricultural Technologies

Public Opinion Research

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GM Animals

How much do you agree or disagree with the following potential applications of these technologies: The development of genetically modified pigs whose manure is lower in phosphorous?

53% of those surveyed disagree (21% Strongly Disagree, 32% Disagree)

(Page 115 – 116 Telephone Survey)

How beneficial do you think genetic modification of animals will be to our society?

44% of those surveyed see little or no benefit (19% see no benefit, 24% see little benefit)

(Page 104 – 106 Electronic Survey)

How much risk do you think genetic modification of animals will be to our society?

48% of those surveyed see considerable or substantial risk (17% see considerable risk, 31% see substantial risk)

(Page 120 – 122 Telephone Survey)

Overall, which of the following best captures your views about the genetic modification of animals?

64% do not approve the genetic modification of animals. (29% do not approve under any circumstance, and 35% do not approve with the exception of very special circumstances)

Page 127 – 128 Telephone Survey

How confident would you say you are in the safety and regulatory approval systems governing the genetic modification of animals?

55% of those surveyed have little or no confidence (28% have no confidence, 27% have little confidence)

(Page 110– 113 Electronic Survey)

GM Fish

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following potential applications of these technologies: The development of genetically modified fish that grow faster and larger than non-GM fish?

74% of those surveyed disagree (38% Strongly Disagree, 36% Disagree)

(Page 82 – 83 Electronic Survey)

How beneficial do you think genetic modification of fish will be to our society?

34% of those surveyed see little or no benefit (12% see no benefit, 23% see little benefit)

(Page 84 - 86 Electronic Survey)

How much risk do you think genetic modification of fish will be to our society?

42% of those surveyed see considerable or substantial risk (23% see considerable risk, 19% see substantial risk)

(Page 87 – 89 Electronic Survey)

Overall, which of the following best captures your views about the genetic modification of fish?

58% do not approve the genetic modification of fish. (11% do not approve under any circumstance, and 47% do not approve with the exception of very special circumstances)

Page 92 – 93 Electronic Survey

How confident would you say you are in the safety and regulatory approval systems governing genetically modified fish?

57% of those surveyed have little or no confidence (20% have no confidence, 36% have little confidence)

(Page 90- 91 Electronic Survey)