

Overview of the U.S. Coordinated Framework

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About the Coordinated Framework

Describes federal regulation for the products of biotechnology & how 3 federal agencies work together to achieve common goals

- Based on formal policy (1986) & existing laws that detail statutory authority for each agency
 - Updates in 1992 & 2017 (2016 National Strategy for Modernizing the Regulatory System for Biotechnology)
 - 2 Recent Executive Orders
 - **❖** 2019 EO 13874
 - **❖**2022 EO 14081
- Governed by the White House Office of Science & Technology Policy (OSTP)



Goals of Framework & Updates

- Increase public confidence in the U.S. regulatory system
- Prevent unnecessary barriers to future innovation & competitiveness
- Improve transparency, coordination, predictability
- Increase efficiency of the process
- Continue to protect health & environment



3 Federal Regulatory Agencies

USDA

Safe for Agriculture



Plant Protection Act (PPA)

FDA

Safe for use in food or feed



Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetics
Act (FFDCA)

EPA

Safe for use as a pesticide



Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

Federal Food, Drug & Cosmetics Act (FFDCA)



U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal Plant Health Inspection Service



Plant Protection Act (PPA)

- Protection of Plant Health
- Safety of Veterinary Biologics



U.S. Food and Drug Administration



Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA)

- Safety of Food, Food Additives and Feed
- Safety of Veterinary and Human Drugs, and Human Biologics



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency



Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)

 Plant Incorporated Protectants (PIPs) as bio-pesticides

Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA)

Safe use of chemicals for food

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

Safe use of New Pesticides

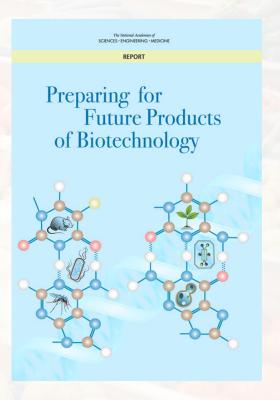


Modernization of Framework

- 1986 Coordinated Framework
 - End-product was regulated (not the process)
 - Science based & case-by-case basis
 - Lead Agency coordinated as needed with other relevant agencies
- 1992 Update
 - Reaffirmed: focus on end-product (not process)
 - Added: element of environment into which product was introduced
 - Clarified: federal oversight (scope of statutory authority) based on the risk posed by introduction (not particular process or technique)

2017 Update

- Clarified: existing agency roles & responsibilities
- Added: standardization mechanisms for agency communication & process for further updates
- Added: long-term strategy and independent assessment for ensuring federal systems is prepared for future and new technologies; unified website
 - ❖ 2017 NASEM report: Preparing for Future Products of Biotechnology





Modernization of Framework (cont.)

Recent Presidential Executive Orders

- <u>2019 EO 13874</u>: Modernizing the Regulatory Framework for Agricultural Biotechnology Products
 - Recognizes that it is federal agencies' policy to protect public health & environment by adopting
 approaches for ag biotech products that are proportionate responses to the risks such products pose
 - Decisions based on scientific and technical evidence & consider economic factors as appropriate & consistent with statutory authority
 - Application reviews should be conducted in a timely, efficient manner, ensuring transparency, predictability and consistency with laws
 - Promotes trade & encourages trading partners to adopt science-and risk-based approaches
- 2022 EO 14081: Advancing Biotechnology & Biomanufacturing Innovation for Sustainable, Safe, and Secure American Bioeconomy
 - Renews efforts to improve clarity/efficiency of process
 - Increases coordination/communication between & among agencies
 - ❖ Directs agencies to identify any ambiguities, gaps, or uncertainties in current policy
 - Clarifies roles and responsibility of each agency
 - Improves Unified Website
 - Identifies deadlines for actionable items



For more information

- Unified Website for Biotechnology Regulation
 https://usbiotechnologyregulation.mrp.usda.gov/biotechnologygov/home/
- NASEM report
 https://usbiotechnologyregulation.mrp.usda.gov/NASEM_Study.pdf
- EPA https://www.epa.gov/regulation-biotechnology-under-tsca-and-fifra
- FDA
 https://www.fda.gov/safety/fdas-regulation-plant-and-animal-biotechnology-products
- USDA-APHIS
 https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/biotechnology



Thank you for your attention!

More from the 3 Regulatory Agencies....



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