

Flavouring substances used or for use in foodstuffs

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The committee adopted seven amendments (amendments 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10). Amendment 1 inserted a recital to the effect that "flavouring substances intended for use in foodstuffs which contain or consist of genetically engineered organisms or are produced by such organisms shall fulfil the requirements of specific EU legislation on the marketing of such products". Amendments 6 and 10 also dealt with genetic modification. In amendment 10, the committee added a passage insisting that when a genetically modified flavouring organism was allowed on the market, it must be labelled as being "genetically modified" or containing "genetically modified organisms" or "produced by gene technology". Amendment 4 added a recital to the effect that substances which, on public health-related or scientific grounds, could not be accepted by the Community's Scientific Committee for Food would not be included on the list of authorized flavouring substances. Amendment 5 introduced a passage whereby "flavouring substances shall be designated in such a way as to protect the intellectual property and rights of the flavouring substances' producer".