



Governments Worldwide Endorsing Food Irradiation

		SWITZERLAND		TURKEY	
UNITED STATES	MEXICO	CANADA	CUBA	URUGUAY	COSTA RICA
ARGENTINA	BRAZIL	CHILE	PERU	COLOMBIA	BELGIUM
CROATIA	GERMANY	FRANCE	FINLAND	D E N M A R K	CZECH REPUBLIC
HUNGRY	ISRAEL	N E T H E R L A N D S	NORWAY	POLAND	UKRAINE
UNITED KINGDOM	YUGOSLAVIA	ALGERIA	SOUTH AFRICA	BANGLADESH	CHINA
INDIA	INDONESIA	IRAN	JAPAN	KOREA	THAILAND
ITALY	SPAIN	PAKISTAN	RUSSIA	SYRIA	VIETNAM



U.S. Agencies & Associations Endorsing Food Irradiation

(EPA)
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY

(USDA-APHIS-PPQ)
U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE

(USDA-FSIS)
U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE

DISEASE
CONTROL & PREVENT:
(FDA)

U.S. CENTER FOR

(AMI)
AMERICAN MEAT
INSTITUTE

(GAO)
U.S. GOVERNMENT
ACCOUNTABILITY
OFFICE

(HHS)
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES

(FDA) U.S. FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION

(CDC)

(AMA)
AMERICAN MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION

(NFPA)
NATIONAL FOOD
PROCESSING
ASSOCIATION

(DOD) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

International Agencies Endorsing Food Irradiation

(WHO) WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

(IAEA) INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

(FAO) FOOD & AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION UNITED NATIONS



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Types of Ionizing Radiation;

- Electrons up to 10 MeV
- X-Ray up to 7.5 MeV
- Radioactive Isotopes- Cobalt 60

Dose Requirements

Label Design-FDA Requiements

- Radura Label
- Treated w/radiation or Treated by Irradiation





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 Prevents the introduction or dissemination of Plant Pests and Noxious Weeds into or "within" The United States



The Process

Approval Process for On-Boarding a new Country and Commodities (USDA-APHIS-PPQ)

- 1. Farm/Exporter contact their National Plant Protection Organization or (NPPO) with a request
- 2. NPPO sends an official request to USDA-APHIS-PPQ Country Trade Director
- 3. Risk Assessment Review (3-5 years if not already completed)
- 4. Bi-Lateral Discussion USDA/NPPO signature of Framework Equivalency Work Plan or (FEWP)
- 5. USDA/ NPPO signature of Operational Workplan or (OWP)
- 6. Comment Period 30-60 Days
- 7. Approval, Publication in Treatment Manual, and Activation of Program
- 8. Product Importation
- 9. Dose Mapping
- 10. Production Treatment
- 11.Dosimetry
- 12.Labeling
- 13. Upload Treatment Data to Irradiation Reporting and Accountability Database (IRADS)
- 14.Shipping



Benefits of Food Irradiation

- Harvest Products at Optimum Ripening Phase
- Eliminates harmful pathogens to non-detectable levels (E.COLI 0157:57; SALMONELLA; LISTERA; etc.)
- Extends shelf-life
- Attacks DNA: parasites & insects = low dose

• Nutritional value remains unchanged

