

## GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS

The policy of our company regarding GMO has been, since from the beginning, to comply with our customers' requests, assuring the delivery of products which do not contain or were produced by genetically modified organisms.

In the light of the latest EU rules about this subject (1829/2003 and 1830/2003 dated September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2003), we confirm our commitment in pursuing this aim.

The raw materials used in our production are beet sugar and some kinds of glucose.

As far as the first product is concerned, which is of EU origin, we obtained the necessary guarantees by our suppliers, that the product does not contain or consist of GMO, that the lack of GMO in raw materials complements to the fact that it is neither produced by GMO nor manufactured with the help of GMO or their by-products.

The glucose we use in our production is obtained through a working process of corn, mainly of Italian origin. The statements we received from our suppliers confirm that the raw materials we buy neither contain GMO nor their by-products included in the scope of the European Rule CE 1829/2003. For more complete information, it is known that, in the case of corn, an accidental contamination cannot be completely excluded; anyway, our suppliers assure that this possible accidental presence is well below the limits allowed by the EU rules. In further confirmation of this fact, they adopted an "Identity Preservation" system aimed at assuring that all the supplied products are manufactured by using not genetically modified corn.

As regards to other ingredients used in our production, they cannot be of genetically modified origin. Moreover, our working processes do not include any process of genetic manipulation.

Each modification in the company policy to avoid using products which contain or are derived from genetically modified organisms, will be immediately reported.

We stay at your disposal for any further explanation on the matter.



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