

## **Genetically-Modified Organism (GMO) Statement**

Benchmark Genetics<sup>1</sup> is a leading aquaculture genetics and breeding company offering genetically-improved Atlantic salmon and whiteleg shrimp to the global aquaculture sector. Our products of genetically-improved eggs, juveniles, and breeders are developed and produced in state-of-the-art breeding programs and biosecure facilities. These are recognized to meet the highest standards in the aquaculture sector.

The advanced technologies underpinning our selective breeding and product development are based on naturally-occurring genetic variation within our species and stocks. We are not applying any genetic engineering technologies on either the chromosomal or genome level in our breeding programs. In addition, we use only certified non-GMO feed for rearing our broodstock.

Therefore, I confirm that all Benchmark Genetics products are non-GMO.

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1. Benchmark Genetics comprises of Benchmark Genetics Norway (formerly Salmobreed and Akvaforsk Genetics Center), Benchmark Genetics UK Ltd, Benchmark Genetics Chile, Benchmark Genetics Iceland (formerly Stofnfiskr HF), Benchmark Genetics Colombia, and Benchmark Genetics USA.