

Cloned Animals Safe Says FDA

According to FDA report, organic products not affected by new cloning activities; read early reactions to cloning noted.

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Cloned animals may be used for food, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), but organic production is not affected.

Producing food from clones remains prohibited under the National Organic Program (NOP).

The Organic Trade Association (OTA) reacted to the FDA announcement by reconfirming its support of the use of traditional processes for breeding and raising animals and noting its long-standing opposition to cloning.

The FDA decision opens the door to the use of cloned animals in livestock in the U.S. food supply.

One early report from the largest U.S. meat producer, Tyson Foods Inc., states that it has no plans currently to buy cloned livestock.

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