

## **GMO STATEMENT**

Benchmark Genetics<sup>1</sup> is a leading genetics and breeding company offering genetically improved, high performing stock of Atlantic salmon, marine shrimp (*Penaeus vannamei*) and Nile tilapia to the global aquaculture sector. Our materials are developed in highly recognized state-of-the-art breeding programs, optimized to meet the highest standards set by the sector.

The advanced technology underpinning our work is solely capitalizing on the natural genetic variation present in the respective species we work with. We are not applying any level of genetic engineering in the development work, neither on the genomic nor chromosomal level.

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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Benchmark Genetics comprises of the following subsidiaries: Benchmark Genetics Norway (formerly SalmoBreed and Akvaforsk Genetics Center), Benchmark Genetics Chile, Stofnfiskur HF, Benchmark Genetics Colombia and Benchmark Genetics USA.