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to the Commission**

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Subject: Effective microorganisms

Numerous research results confirm the quality of EM (effective microorganism) technology in farming and that it is useful for plants, animals and humans, as EM technology appears in liquid form, has a wide application and no negative effects, and because it consists of a number of efficient, useful and nonpathogenic microorganisms produced naturally, which have not been chemically synthesised or obtained by genetic engineering. Today, EM technology is used in more than 130 countries. In 12 countries, it is used as part of state programmes on organic farming and healthy food production.

Does the Commission have research results which confirm that EM technology is useful to the farming sector?

Does the Commission take into consideration the introduction of EM technology in its future strategies to develop organic farming and healthy food production?