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Greetings:

I am writing in support of keeping Baytril, (a fluoroquinolone) manufactured by Bayer, on the market. Scientists have not proven that the use of Baytril in poultry has increased resistance to fluoroquinolones or human food borne illnesses.

Baytril is used as a last resort in poultry and is therefore used in 1-2% of broilers produced in the U.S. It is under the direct control of a veterinarian.

Since Baytril was approved for use in poultry, the incidence of human campylobacteriosis has decreased as well as the incidence of fluoroquinolone-resistant campylobacter infections.

Scientific evidence does not support the removal of Baytril from the market as it relates to poultry.

Thank you for your consideration.

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