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Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

DLA 17/2019 - ALM-Verification Egg: 5 Samples containing Whole Egg Powder in Infant-Cookies Matrix (levels: 0,1 / 0,5 / 1,0 / 5,0 / 15 mg/kg)

Test material*:

For the Action Level Matrix Verification Test (ALM) a set of **5 samples with specified contents of Egg** as well as a "blank sample" are provided for determination in the **matrix** of **Infant-Cookies**. The allergenic ingredient (mixture of at least 4 different products whole egg powder) was baked in the matrix. The egg level of the middle sample (appr. 1,0 mg/kg as whole egg powder) corresponds to the Action Level 1 (VITAL concept 2.0) and judgement value of the German Commission ALTS/ALS, respectively. The 6 PT samples are blind-encoded, so that the gluten contents are not recognizable by the sample labeling.

Sample weight: 6 samples 20 g each.

* Note: Control of mixture homogeneity and qualitative testings are carried out by DLA. Any testing of the content, homogeneity and stability of PT parameters is subcontracted by DLA.

<u>Methods + realisation time:</u>

Analytical methods for qualitative and quantitative determinations are optional.

There is a 6 weeks period for performing the analysis. The results are transmitted by e-mail via the provided results file.

Evaluation report:

The evaluation of PT-results is carried out **qualitatively** (positive/negative) in scores of 1-5 (for example score 3 = Action Level successfully identified). **Quantitative results** will be reported for information as **recovery rates**. The target values correspond to the spiking levels. Results, limits of detection and/or quantification and remarks to the methods will be documented. DLA intends to finish the evaluation report within 6 weeks after deadline of results submission.

Each participant receives an anonymized, complete evaluation report as a PDF-file, identifying the own results by individual code in case payment was done and can object in writing to the evaluation within 6 weeks.

Registration:

The reliable order can be sent to DLA or our authorized sales partner.

Further information and an online registration form can be found at www.dla-lvu.de.

Registration deadline is 20th November 2019.

Shipment + number of participants:

Required minimum number of participants is 10. The samples will be sent to participants in the **week** 48 by package service with tracking (delivery time 2-5 days within Europe, 2-10 days worldwide).

Deadline of result submission:

Last date for submission of results 10th January 2020.

Invoice + price :

Invoicing will be done by DLA along with the sample shipment or by our authorized partner in parallel to the sample shipment.

The price of the proficiency test is 324,-- € per participant plus shipping and possible tax.

Please note: there can be a handling charge for delivery in non-EU countries. Our authorized partner will inform you.

Shipping costs: within Germany € 12,50, EU-countries and Europe € 20,00, outside Europe € 28,00.

Our General Terms and Conditions GTC apply: www.dla-lvu.de/AGB.html

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