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DLA 07/2016 - Allergens VII: Crustaceae and Cashew in Instant Product with "Spiking Material Sample"

terms

Test material:

There are two different samples of instant soup powder possibly containing the allergenic ingredients crustacean and cashew in the range of mg/kg. Additionally a "Spiking Material Sample" is provided which was used for the spiking of the positive sample (A or B). It contains 1-10% of the allergenic items in potato flour and should be analysed like a normal sample (eventually diluted). Any suitable method could be applied for analysis. The material is tested for homogeneity.

Order:

Registration deadline is 09th November 2016. The reliable order can be sent to our partner Coring System Diagnostix, can be faxed to us, DLA, using attached order form, or using the order form available from www.dla-lvu.de. The minimum number of participants is 10.

Sample shipment:

The samples will be sent to participating laboratories in the week 46. Each participant receives two different sample portions, 25 g each. The "Spiking Material Sample" contains 10 g.

Invoicing / Price:

The price for the proficiency test is 228,-- € / participant plus shipping and tax. Shipping and invoicing to other countries than Germany are

done by our partner Coring System Diagnostix. Invoices are payable within 2 weeks, for participants from Non-European countries prepayment is required.

Realisation:

There is a 6 weeks time for performing the analysis. The method of analysis is optional. Deadline for results submission is 30th December 2016. Submission should be done by e-mail with a prepared excel-file, available from DLA.

DLA intends to finish statistics and interpretation within 6 weeks after deadline for the results. The evaluation of results will be qualitative and quantitative. For information DLA calculates a recovery rate for the "positive"-sample and the "Spiking Material Sample". Statistical evaluation will be performed for all analytes, for which we will receive at least 7 quantitative results. Statistics imply test for outliers, robust mean, median, robust standard deviation and z-score. Results, limits of detection and quantification remarks to the methods will be documented.

Each participant receives an anonymized, complete analysis PDF-report file, identifying the own results by individual code in case payment was done. A print-out can be sent on demand.

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