

Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

## **DLA 13/2018 - Allergen-Screening III - 4 Samples qualitative: Cereals containing Gluten (Wheat, Rye, Barley and Oat), Peanut, Lupine, Celery (Leaves / Stem, Root and Seed), Sesame (white and black)**

### **Test material\* :**

There are **4 different samples** possibly containing the allergenic **parameters Cereals containing Gluten (Wheat, Rye, Barley and Oat), Peanut, Lupine, Celery (Leaves / Stem, Root and Seed) and/or Sesame (white and black)** for qualitative determination. The allergens are contained in a simple carrier matrix (potato powder / maltodextrin) in the range of 25 - 250 mg/kg.

**Sample weight:** 4 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.

### **Methods + realisation time:**

The analytical methods **ELISA (+ Lateral Flow)** and **PCR** can be applied for qualitative determinations.

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** is carried out **strictly qualitatively** (positive/negative) with indication of the obtained agreements with the consensus values of the participants and the spiking of samples 1-4.

All results including quantitative 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. A print-out can be sent on demand.

### **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](http://www.dla-lvu.de).

Registration deadline is **24<sup>th</sup> October 2018**.

### **Shipment + number of participants:**

Required minimum number of participants is 10.

The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 44** by package service with tracking (delivery time 2-3 days within Europe, 2-5 days worldwide).

### **Deadline of result submission:**

Last date for submission of results **14<sup>th</sup> December 2018**.

### **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 for the proficiency test is 350,-- € (participation with PCR or ELISA) and 450,-- € (participation with PCR and ELISA) per participant plus shipping and 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 € 25 – 35, outside Europe € 45- 75.

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