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Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

# DLA 29/2018 – Estragole, Methyleugenol and Thujone in Tea Beverage Powder

## Test material\*:

There are two identical samples with the parameters Estragole, Methyleugenol and Thujone to be determined. The matrix is Tea Beverage Powder (whole seeds must be ground before analysis).

Sample weight: 2 Samples 25 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:**

Analytical methods for quantitative determinations are optional. The evaluation is carried out for the determination in the infusion according to the ASU method (in mg/l infusion, e.g. according to ASU § 64 LFGB L 47.08-3) and/or for the determination in essential oil (in %) according to other methods.

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 from a total of 7 results on **quantitatively**. It includes kernel density estimation, outlier tests, robust mean, robust standard deviation and z-scores. The assigned value is the robust mean of participants results. 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 <a href="https://www.dla-lvu.de">www.dla-lvu.de</a>.

Registration deadline is 03<sup>rd</sup> October 2018.

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

Required minimum number of participants is 10. The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 41** by parcel service with tracking (delivery time 2-3 days within Europe, 2-5 days worldwide).

## Deadline of result submission:

Last date for submission of results 23<sup>rd</sup> November 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 of the proficiency test is 210,-- € 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 € 25 – 35, outside Europe € 45-75.

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