

Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

DLA ptALR1 (2023) Response PT Crustaceae: Processed samples of Crustaceae (raw), Crustaceae (cooked), Shrimp (fried), Shrimp Spread and Shrimp paste (fermented) in potato powder matrix (levels: 25 - 150 mg/kg)

Test material* :

There are **5 differently processed samples** of the food allergen **Crustaceae (raw), Crustaceae (cooked), Shrimp (fried), Shrimp Spread and Shrimp paste (fermented)** as well as the “**blank**”-sample (**matrix**) for determination. The allergens are contained in a simple carrier matrix (potato powder / maltodextrin) in the range of 25 - 150 mg/kg. The processed finished products with allergenic ingredients were mixed from at least 4 different common in commerce products.

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.

Methods + realisation time:

Analytical methods for qualitative and quantitative determinations are optional.

There is a 6 weeks period for performing the analysis. The results are transmitted online via our customer portal.

Evaluation report:

The **evaluation** is carried out **qualitatively** (inscores of 1-5) and quantitatively by **recovery rates** indicating the **response** of the processed allergens. The target values are the respective spiked amounts. 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 **October 18th 2023**.

Shipment + number of participants:

Required minimum number of participants is 10.

The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 43** by parcel service with tracking (delivery time 2-5 days within Europe, 2-10 days worldwide).

Deadline of result submission:

Last date for submission of results **December 8th 2023**.

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 400, -- € per participant plus shipping and possible tax.

Costs for **double sample material** € 90,00.

Please note: there can be a handling charge of approx. € 30,00 for payments from non-EU countries.

Shipping costs: within Germany € 12,50, EU-countries and Europe € 20,00, North America € 30,00 - 65,00, other countries approx. € 80,00 (e.g. South America, Asia), all shipping prices are provisional and subject to change.

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

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