

## Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

### **DLA ptASW1 (2024) Allergen Swab Test I: Gluten, Peanut, Milk (incl. $\beta$ -Lactoglobulin, Casein) and Soya (2 Test Surfaces per Allergen, qualitative)**

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

There are **8 test areas** possibly containing the allergenic parameters **Gluten, Peanut, Milk (incl.  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin, Casein)** and **Soya** for qualitative determination. 2 areas are to be tested per allergen (one of each is positive). The amounts are in the range of 10 - 100  $\mu$ g/test surface.

**Sample weight:** 8 test surfaces of approx. 30 cm<sup>2</sup>.

\* **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.

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 **strictly qualitatively** (positive/negative) with indication of the obtained agreements with the consensus values of the participants and the spiking of the test areas.

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

Registration deadline is **February 07<sup>th</sup> 2024**.

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

Required minimum number of participants is 10.

The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 7** 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 **March 29<sup>th</sup> 2024**.

#### **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 370 € 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 - 35,00, North America € 30,00 - 80,00, other countries approx. € 80,00 (e.g. South America, Asia), all shipping prices are provisional and subject to change.

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