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STANDARDS, DRAFT STANDARDS

ISO standards under development

MICROBIOLOGY OF THE FOOD CHAIN	
ISO/DIS 24914 July 2025	Microbiology of the food chain – Loop-mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP) for the detection of microorganisms and associated genetic markers – General requirements and definitions
QUALITY MANAGEMENT	
ISO/DIS 9000 July 2025	Quality management – Fundamentals and vocabulary
REFERENCE MATERIALS	
ISO/DIS 33400 June 2025	Reference materials – Selected terms and definitions

NEW EU REGULATIONS

NOVEL FOOD
O.J.E.U. Serie L, 10th April 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/688 of 9 April 2025 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 as regards the conditions of use of the novel food <i>Schizochytrium</i> sp (FCC-3204) oil https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202500688 O.J.E.U. Serie L, 10th April 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/691 of 9 April 2025 authorising the placing on the market of vitamin D2 mushroom powder as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202500691
P.D.O. / P.G.I.
O.J.E.U. Serie C, 14th April 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Queijo Serra da Estrela (cheese) (PDO)] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202502033 O.J.E.U. Serie C, 25th April 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Queso Castellano (cheese) (PGI)] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202502457 O.J.E.U. Serie C, 5th May 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Mozzarella di Gioia del Colle (cheese) (PDO)] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202502612 O.J.E.U. Serie C, 6th May 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Fourme de Montbrison (cheese) (PDO)] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202502613 O.J.E.U. Serie C, 23rd May 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Queso Ibores (cheese) (PDO)] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202502971 O.J.E.U. Serie L, 27th May 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1009 of 26 May 2025 on the approval of an amendment to the product specification of the traditional speciality guaranteed 'Berthoud' https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202501009 O.J.E.U. Serie L, 27th May 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1013 of 26 May 2025 on the registration of the geographical indication 'Erzincan Tulum Peyniri' (PDO) in the Union register of geographical indications pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202501013

O.J.E.U. Serie L, 27th May 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1020 of 26 May 2025 entering the geographical indication 'Pérail' (PGI) in the Union register of geographical indications pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202501020

O.J.E.U. Serie C, 11th June 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Piacentinu Ennese (cheese) (PDO)]

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202503227

O.J.E.U. Serie C, 16th June 2025 – Publication of the communication of an approved standard amendment to a product specification of a geographical indication in accordance with Article 5(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/27 [Queso Manchego (cheese) (PDO)]

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C_202503216

O.J.E.U. Serie L, 25th June 2025 – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1249 of 18 June 2025 on the registration of the geographical indication 'Kaffeost' (PDO) in the Union register of geographical indications pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202501249

FOOD ADDITIVES

O.J.E.U. Serie L, 12th June 2025 – Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/1150 of 11 June 2025 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use of sodium ascorbate (E 301) in vitamin A preparations intended for infant formula and follow-on formula

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202501150

PESTICIDES

O.J.E.U. Serie L, 8th May 2025 – Commission Implementin Regulation (EU) 2025/854 of 7 May 2025 concerning a coordinated multiannual control programme of the Union for 2026, 2027 and 2028 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/989

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:L_202500854

AFNOR VALIDATIONS

During its June meeting, the Technical Committee of NF VALIDATION approved by vote:

Commercial name	Date	Certificate	Description
NEW VALIDATIONS			
COMPACTDRY™ YMR	Validation date: 17 Mar 2025 End of validity: 17 Mar 2029	SDC-42/05-03/25	Enumeration of yeasts and moulds All human food products with a water activity higher than 0.95
RENEWALS OF VALIDATIONS			
NEOGEN® PETRIFILM® SELECT'E. COLI (SEC)	Validation date: 14 Jun 2001 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 14 Jun 2029	3M-01/08-06/01	Enumeration of <i>E. coli</i> All human food products, pet food products and industrial production environmental samples
VIDAS® UP <i>E. COLI</i> O157 (ECPT)	Validation date: 18 May 2009 Renewal: 3 Apr 2025 End of validity: 18 May 2029	BIO-12/25-05/09	Detection of <i>E. coli</i> O157 Raw meat products, raw milk and raw dairy products, raw vegetables and industrial production environmental samples
NEOGEN® MOLECULAR DETECTION ASSAY 2- <i>E. COLI</i> O157	Validation date: 18 May 2017 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 18 May 2029	3M-01/18-05/17	Detection of <i>E. coli</i> O157 Raw beef meat, raw dairy products, raw fruits and vegetables
TEMPO® AC	Validation date: 23 May 2013 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 23 May 2029	BIO-12/35-05/13	Enumeration of aerobic mesophilic flora All human food products, pet food products and industrial production environmental samples
ANSR® SALMONELLA	Validation date: 23 May 2013 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 23 May 2029	NEO-35/02-05/13	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp. All human food products and animal feed products
SOLUS SALMONELLA ELISA	Validation date: 18 Jun 2013 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 18 Jun 2029	SOL-37/01-06/13	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp. All human food products, animal feed products and industrial production environmental samples
SOLUS LISTERIA ELISA	Validation date: 18 Jun 2013 Renewal: 23 Apr 2025 End of validity: 18 Jun 2029	SOL-37/02-06/13	Detection of <i>Listeria</i> spp. All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
EXTENSIONS OF VALIDATIONS			
SYMPHONY	Validation date: 4 Dec 2018 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 4 Dec 2026	BKR-23/11-12/18	Enumeration of yeasts and molds All human food products and feed products
NEOGEN® PETRIFILM® RAPID YEATS AND MOLD PLATE	Validation date: 3 Jul 2014 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 3 Jul 2026	3M-01/13-07/14	Enumeration of yeasts and molds All human food products, animal feed products and industrial production environmental samples
BACARA®	Validation date: 2 Jul 2010 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 2 Jul 2026	AES-10/10-07/10	Enumeration of presumptive <i>Bacillus cereus</i> All human food products and animal feed products
COMPASS® BACILLUS CEREUS AGAR	Validation date: 5 Feb 2010 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 5 Feb 2029	BKR-23/06-02/10	Enumeration of presumptive <i>Bacillus cereus</i> All human food products and animal feed products

AFNOR VALIDATIONS

ASSURANCE® GDS MPX FOR TOP 7 STEC, ASSURANCE® MPX ID FOR STEC, ASSURANCE® GDS EHEC ID FOR <i>E. COLI</i> O157 :H7	Validation date: 8 Apr 2022 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 8 Apr 2026	TRA-02/13-04/22	Detection of shiga-toxin producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> (STEC) Raw beef meat (excluding seasoned meat), raw milk and dairy products
THERMO SCIENTIFIC™ SURETECT™ LISTERIA SPECIES PCR ASSAY	Validation date: 28 Nov 2013 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 28 Nov 2025	UNI-03/09-11/13	Detection of <i>Listeria</i> spp. All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
THERMO SCIENTIFIC™ LISTERIA PRECIS™	Validation date: 16 Jun 2022 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 16 Jun 2026	UNI-03/14-06/22	Detection of <i>Listeria</i> species All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
COMPASS® LISTERIA AGAR	Validation date: 4 Dec 2007 Extension le 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 4 Dec 2027	BKR-23/05-12/07	Enumeration of <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
THERMO SCIENTIFIC™ LISTERIA PRECIS™	Validation date: 8 Apr 2005 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 8 Apr 2029	UNI-03/04-04/05	Detection of <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
THERMO SCIENTIFIC™ SURETECT™ LISTERIA MONOCYTOGENES PCR ASSAY	Validation date: 4 Nov 2013 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 4 Nov 2025	UNI-03/08-11/13	Detection of <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> All human food products and industrial production environmental samples
ALOA® COUNT	Validation date: 15 Sep 2006 Extension: 24 Apr 2025 End of validity: 15 Sep 2026	AES-10/05-09/06	Enumeration of <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> and <i>Listeria</i> spp. All human food products and industrial production environmental samples

The validation certificates and the recapitulative list are available at the following website address:
<https://nf-validation.afnor.org/en/food-industry/#discover-certified-methods>

ON THE WEB

FOOD ADDITIVES

Re-evaluation of acesulfame K (E 950) as food additive

<https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2025.9317>

► This opinion concerns the re-evaluation of acesulfame K (E 950) as a food additive. The evaluation involved a comprehensive review of existing authorisations and assessments and new scientific data. Acesulfame K (E 950) was found to be stable under a variety of conditions. Therefore, the Panel established an acceptable daily intake of 15 mg/kg body weight (bw) per day, replacing the previously established acceptable daily intake of 9 mg/kg bw per day. The Panel noted that the highest estimate of exposure to acesulfame K (E 950) was generally below the acceptable daily intake in all population groups. The Panel recommended that the European Commission consider revising the EU specifications for acesulfame K (E 950).

NOUVEL ALIMENT

Safety of the extension of use of 3-fucosyllactose (3-FL) as a novel food pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2283

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► Following a request from the European Commission, EFSA's Panel on Nutrition, Novel Foods and Food Allergens was asked to provide an opinion on the safety of extending the use of 3-fucosyllactose (3-FL) as a novel food in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2015/2283. The novel food, produced from a genetically modified strain (*Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3) JBT-3FL) of *E. coli* BL21 (DE3), is already authorised as an ingredient in several food categories, including infant formula and follow-on formula. The applicant proposed increasing the maximum levels of use of the novel food in infant formula, follow-on formula, foods for special medical purposes and food supplements. The Panel considers that the proposed extension of use does not affect the safety of the novel food and concludes that the novel food, 3-FL, is safe under the proposed conditions of use.

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