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Accreditation number: STS 0038

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Scope of accreditation as of 14.08.2023

Testing laboratory for chemical, microbiological, molecular-biological, physical and technical studies

Group of products or materials, field of activity	Principle of measurement ^{2) 3)} (characteristics, measuring ranges, type of test)	Test methods, remarks (national, international standards, in-house test methods)
DIETIKON SITE		
Food, utility articles, food contact materials, cosmetics, animal feed	Gas Chromatography (GC):	
	 Flame ionization detector (FID): foreign substances and ingredi- ents, fats, fat-accompanying substances 	Internal methods
	- Mass Spectrometry detector (MS): plant protection products, foreign substances and ingredi- ents, utility articles, food contact materials	Internal methods, DIN, EN
	- MS-QToF/FID Screening	Internal methods

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Food, utility articles, food contact materials, cosmetics, animal feed	Liquid Chromatography (LC):	
	 Ultraviolet/Visible detector (UV/Vis): additives, foreign sub- stances and ingredients, vita- mins, connective tissue protein 	Internal methods
	 Fluorescence detector (FLD): foreign substances and ingredi- ents, vitamins 	Internal methods
	 Refractive Index detector (RI): carbohydrates 	Internal methods
	- Mass Spectrometry detector (MS, MS/MS and TOF): foreign substances and ingredients, pharmacologically active sub- stances, plant protection prod- ucts, utility articles, food contact materials	Internal methods, EN
	- MS-QToF Screening	
	 Conductivity detector: ani- ons/cations, biogenic amines 	Internal methods
	LC – GC – FID/ MS: foreign sub- stances	Internal methods
	Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC – GC/MS): plant protection products	Internal methods
	Spectroscopy:	Internal methods
	 X-Ray Fluorescence analysis (XRF): heavy metals, metals and metalloids 	
	 Infrared Spectroscopy (IR) 	
	Spectrometry:	
	 UV/Vis spectrometry (turbidime- try, nephelometry): vitamins, ad- ditives 	Internal methods
	- Atomic Absorption Spectrometry (AAS): FIAS, graphite tube, flame: heavy metals, metals and metalloids	Internal methods

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	 Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP)-MS: heavy metals, metals and metalloids 	Internal methods
Food, utility articles, food contact materials, cosmetics, animal feed	Electrochemical methods	Internal methods
	 Potentiometry: additives, foreign substances and ingredients, pro- teins 	
	Titrimetric methods:	ISO, internal methods
	 Titration, titrimetric analysis: so- dium chloride, sulfites additives, foreign substances and ingredi- ents, proteins 	
	Dumas:	ISO, AOAC
	 Combustion/ gas analysis via conductivity: proteins 	
	Physical methods:	
	- Gravimetric methods: water, ash content, dietary fibers (animal feed), fats, foreign substances and ingredients, utility articles, food contact materials (migra- tion)	AOAC, EN, ISO
	- Thermometry: proteins	AOCS
	 Gerber method (butyrometer): fats 	Internal methods
	Biochemical methods:	Commercial methods
	 Enzymatic determinations: alco- hol, additives 	
	Microbiology / Photometry: vita- mins	Commercial test kits
	Oxygen analyzer: utility articles, food contact materials	According to the analyzer's in- struction manual

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Textiles	 Wear fastness properties: Fastness to chlorinated pool water Fastness to sea water Fastness to rubbing Fastness to perspiration Fastness to washing Washing characteristics and dimensional stability Fastness to water Fastness to light Color fastness to saliva m²-weight Breaking strength (tensile properties) 	ISO, EN, DIN or SN standards (partially modified)
Consumer Goods	Mechanical, physical and electri- cal studies - length and geometries - torque - weight - rotational speed - temperature - humidity - illuminance - electrical power, voltage, electric current - air pressure - hardness of metals - microwave leakage radiation - time - humidity of wood and materials - visual examination Chemical studies: see utility articles, foreign substances	ISO, EN, DIN or SN standards, internal methods
Toys	foreign substances Chemical and physical studies: see utility articles, foreign substances	EN

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COURTEPIN SITE		
Food, animal feed	Titrimetric methods:	EN
	- titration: TVB-N	
Food	Biochemical methods:	Internal methods
	- Enzymatic methods	
	 ELISA analysis with antibody: allergens, antibiotics 	
Food	 Charm: reagent binding princi- ple: antibiotics 	
Food, feces, Pedisacs, swabs	Microbiological methods:	
	Detection by culture analysis	ISO
	Quantitative determination by cul- ture analysis	ISO, AFNOR, internal methods
Food, feed, animal tissue	Molecular-biological methods	
	Nucleic acid extraction	ISO, internal methods, literature methods, commercial methods
	Nucleic acid quantification	
	 PCR: Conventional qualitative PCR Qualitative Real Time-PCR Quantitative Real Time-PCR Typing with PCR by restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) 	ISO, EN, internal methods, litera- ture methods, reference methods (JRC-CRL, ISAG)
	Electrophoresis: - Agarose Gel Electrophoresis - Polyacrylamide gel electropho- resis (PAGE)	Internal methods, literature meth- ods
	Immunochemical methods: - ELISA	Commercial methods

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BUCHS SITE		
Food	Microbiological methods ²⁾ Quantitative determination: - Aerobic Mesophilic germs - Enterobacteria - Coagulase-positive staphylo-	ISO 4833-1 (BMBMET23) ISO 21528-2 (BMBMET24) ISO 6888-1 mod. (BMBMET25)
	cocci Qualitative determination: - Salmonella spp. - Listeria monocytogenes	VIDAS (BMBMET26) VIDAS (BMBMET22)

The testing laboratory maintains a list with detailed information on the activities within the scope of accreditation. It is available upon request at the laboratory.

In case of contradictions in the language versions of the directories, the German version shall apply.

Abbreviation	Signification
AAS	Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy
AFNOR	Association Française de Normalisation (French national organization for standardization)
AOAC	Association of Official Analytical Chemists, Official Methods of Analysis
AOCS	American Oil Chemists Society
CEN	European Committee for Standardization
DFG	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation)
DIN	Deutsches Institut für Normung e.V. (German Institute for Standardization)
ELISA	Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay
ELSD	Evaporative Light Scattering Detection
EN	Europäische Norm (European Standard)
GC	Gas Chromatography
GC-MS	Gas Chromatography - Mass Spectrometry
GPC	Gel Permeation Chromatography
IR	Infrared Spectroscopy
ISAG	International Society for Animal Genetics
ISO	International Standard Organisation
JRC-CRL	Joint Research Center / Community Reference Laboratory

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LC-MS	Liquid Chromatography - Mass Spectrometry
MS	Mass Spectrometry
PAGE	Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
RFLP	Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism
SN	Swiss Standard
TVB-N	Total Volatile Basic Nitrogen

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Definition of flexibilty see SAS Document 741