

EU PROFICIENCY TEST EUPT-SRM14, 2019

Residues of Pesticides Requiring Single Residue Methods Test Item: Bovine Liver Homogenate

Preliminary Report

(revised version on 21 May 2019, due to transcription errors)

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Remark to this revised version:

Due to transcriptional errors concerning two laboratorie the assigned values and CV* for the following compounds have marginally changed: glyphosate, 2,4-DB, avemectin, bromoxynil, DDAC-C10, TFNA-AM, AMPA, N-acetyl-glyphosate, haloxyfop, MCPA and mepiquat.

We have therefore released an updated version of the EUPT-SRM14 Preliminary Report (http://www.eurl-pesticides.eu/library/docs/srm/SRM14_PreliminaryReport.pdf). Changes in Tab. 1a and 1b are highlighted in yellow. The shifts in the z-scores are not explicitly marked.

General Remarks

- All assigned values, CV*s and z-scores presented in the following are preliminary.
 - The final report on the EUPT-SRM14 will be drafted following the joint EURL/NRL-Workshop and the evaluation of the results by the EUPT-Scientific Committee.
- All labs are kindly asked to check their results carefully and to report any errors.
- Only transcription errors by the organizers can be considered at this stage.
- Labs with questionable or unacceptable results (individual absolute z-scores > 2) as well as labs with false negative or false positive results are requested to give a feedback* via e-mail by 17 June, 2019.

Please give feedback on all compounds affected by poor performance and about any actions undertaken to find out the reasons. If you need EURL-assistance in finding possible reasons for underperformance, please include in your feedback relevant information that may be helpful in identifying the reasons (e.g. if you suspect a degradation in the standard solution, please give details on how the standard was prepared and stored.)

Background

The proficiency test EUPT-SRM14 was conducted using bovine liver from calves. The test item was prepared by spiking liver homogenate with the following 16 compounds dissolved in standard solutions:

- 1. 2,4-DB,
- 2. Avermectin B1a,
- 3. Bixafen metabolite,
- 4. Desmethyl bixafen,
- 5. Boscalid metabolite M510F01,
- 6. Bromoxynil,
- 7. DDAC-C10,
- 8. Fenpropimorph carboxylic acid (BF-421-2),
- 9. Flonicamid metabolite TFNA-AM,
- 10. Fluopyram-benzamide (M25),
- 11. MPP, glyphosate,
- 12. AMPA,
- 13. N-Acetyl-glyphosate,
- 14. Haloxyfop,
- 15. MCPA, and
- 16. Mepiquat.

Glyphosate was the only one among all analytes on the Target Pesticides List that was compulsory for the laboratories to analyse (due to its inclusion in the EU-coordinated monitoring programme). Glyphosate was also present in the test material.

EUPT-SRM14 organization in short

Following spiking, homogenisation, portioning, freezing and in case of the test items cryo-milling, portions of approx. 200 g of the test item and blank were bottled and distributed on 18 March, 2019 to the participating laboratories.

Where, according to the IATA dangerous good regulations, shipment with dry ice was allowed, the materials were sent to the participants deeply frozen in insulated boxes containing dry ice. Otherwise, the materials were precooled at -80°C for at least 3 days and sent to the participants deeply frozen in insulated boxes containing special deep frozen packs.

Using an online submission tool, the participants had the possibility to submit their results by 23 April, 2019. The requested methodology information for tentatively false negative results was to be submitted by 3 May, 2019.

10 bottles of the test item were selected randomly and tested for homogeneity. Furthermore, the stability of the test material was checked during a period covering the EUPT duration.

Result Evaluation

In total 59 participating labs from EU and EFTA countries as well as 3 laboratories from third countries submitted results of at least one compound. For the calculation of the **preliminary assigned values** only the results of the participating 57 OfLs¹ from EU member states and EFTA countries were considered. No classification into Category A and B based on the analytical scope of the participating laboratory will be conducted in this PT.

Since the robust standard deviation of **N-acetyl-glyphosate** is very high and the number of the numerical results for **fenpropimorph carboxylic acid (BF-421-2)** was not sufficient for a reliable statistical evaluation, the z-scores calculated for these two compounds are currently considered uncertain and displayed in italic letters. Following a detailed evaluation of the method information and other aspects, the EUPT-Scientiffic Committee will decide whether an alternative assigned value and z-scores based on it may be calculated.

Within results from EU/EFTA OfLs, two results were **preliminarily judged as false positives**: Glufosinate (1x) and dichlorprob (1x). In cases where the reported concentration of a compound not present in the Test Item was lower than the respective MRRL, the results were preliminarily not judged as false positives. This concerned BAC-C12 (3x).

13 EU/EFTA OfLs reported in 15 cases results that were **preliminarily judged as false negatives**. These concerned cases where compounds present in the test item were analysed by the labs, but not detected. For these results z-scores were calculated using the corresponding MRRL in the target pesticide list or the RL, if this was lower. The false negative results concerned Flonicamid metabolite TFNA-AM (5x), 2,4-DB (4x) as well as avermectin B1a, boscalid metabolite M510F017, bromoxynil, DDAC-C10, fenpropimorph carboxylic acid (BF-421-2) and AMPA (each 1x). In one case, the reported analysed for but not detected haloxyfop with the RL higher than the assigned value, this result was preliminarily judged as a false negative result. The final decision will be made after consulting with the Scientific Committee.

All submitted results on pesticides incurred and spiked to the test material are shown in Table 1a and Table 1b. The preliminary false positive results are shown in Table 2.

Notes:

Results preliminarily judged as false negatives are marked in the tables with the abbreviation FN. Empty cells in the tables correspond to "not analysed" compounds.

The final judgement on false positive and false negative results will be done in the final report following consultation with the EUPT-Scientiffic Committee.

The tables also contain the results of the **participating laboratories from 3rd countries**. In all these cases the z-scores were calculated using the same assigned values as for the EU and EFTA labs.

These are labs performing official food controls on pesticides as well as official import controls ("669-Labs") or official organic food controls ("889-Labs")

Tab 1a: Results for 1	L compulso	ry and 7 c	out of 15 op	tional cor	mpounds in	EUPT-SRI	M14 reporte	ed (z-score	s were calc	ulated us	ing prelimir	ary assign	ned values)					
Pesticides	Glypho	osate	2,4-	·DВ	Avermed	tin B1a	Bixafen M Desmethy		Boscalio M510		Bromo	oxynil	DDAG	C-C10		morph car- d (BF-421-2)		
MRRL [mg/kg]	0.1	1	0.0	01	0.0	1	0.0	01	0.0	0.01		0.01		0.03		0.01		
Assigned Value [mg/kg]	0.53	35	0.0	61	0.0	57	0.0	05	0.08	31	0.0	59	0.1	0.177		0.177		089
CV*	23.3	3%	19.	0%	29.8	3%	20.0	0%	13.1%		15.3%		19.8%		12.1%			
No. of numerical results / FN (EU/EFTA)	43 /	/ o	35	/ 2	39 ,	1	20 ,	/ 0	17 /	1	34/1			30 / 1				/1
Lab Code	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg] z-Score		Conc [mg/kg] z-Score		Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score		
950	0.548	0.1	0.0813	1.4	0.0593	0.1	0.0495	-0.1	0.0754	-0.3	0.0864	1.9	0.175	0.0				
952																		
956	0.428	-0.8	FN	-3.3			0.0560	0.5	0.0902	0.5	0.0619	0.2						
992	0.570	0.3	0.0880	1.8	0.0700	0.9	0.0510	0.1	0.0760	-0.2	0.0620	0.2	0.162	-0.3	0.0810	-0.4		
1022							0.034	-1.3	FN	-3.5								
1024					0.07	0.9												
1072	0.465	-0.5	0.065	0.3	0.049	-0.6					0.060	0.1	0.216	0.9				
1090	0.527	-0.1	0.066	0.3	0.030	-1.9	0.055	0.4	0.088	0.4	0.063	0.3	0.209	0.7	0.104	0.7		
1092	0.688	1.1	0.0358	-1.6	0.0419	-1.1							FN	-3.3				
1150			0.027	-2.2									0.021	-3.5				
1206	0.511	-0.2	0.068	0.5	0.058	0.0	0.046	-0.3	0.072	-0.4	0.058	0.0	0.182	0.1	0.081	-0.4		
1214	0.47	-0.5	0.065	0.3	0.064	0.4					0.056	-0.2	144	3246.8				
1218	0.570	0.3	0.052	-0.6	0.046	-0.8					0.064	0.4	0.175	0.0				
1224	0.620	0.6			0.026	-2.2												
1228	0.416	-0.9																
1240			0.0560	-0.3	0.0354	-1.5												
1244	0.353	-1.4	0.0437	-1.1	0.0829	1.8					0.0728	1.0						
1246																		
1248	0.572	0.3																
1250	0.498	-0.3			0.0565	-0.1												
1266	1.104	4.3	0.064	0.2	0.061	0.2	0.055	0.4	0.084	0.2	0.065	0.4	0.174	-0.1	0.090	0.0		
1270	0.928	2.9	0.0621	0.1	0.0456	-0.8					0.0479	-0.7						
1274	0.550	0.1			0.0703	0.9							0.139	-0.9				
1276	0.431	-0.8	0.0653	0.3	0.0832	1.8					FN	-3.3	0.221	1.0				
1278	0.551	0.1			0.059	0.1												
1290			FN	-3.3														
1292	0.854	2.4	0.0479	-0.8			0.0543	0.3	0.0810	0.0	0.0438	-1.0	0.248	1.6				
1298			0.0756	1.0	0.0644	0.5					0.0580	0.0						
1300	0.529	0.0	0.064	0.2	0.079	1.5					0.059	0.0	0.174	-0.1				
1302			0.101	2.7			0.080	2.4	0.085	0.2			0.207	0.7				
1306	2.33	13.4									0.0537	-0.3	0.0864	-2.0				
1310	0.321	-1.6	0.046	-1.0	0.098	2.8					0.057	-0.1						

Tab 1a: Results for 1	Tab 1a: Results for 1 compulsory and 7 out of 15 optional compounds in EUPT-SRM14 reported (z-scores were calculated using preliminary assigned values)																	
Pesticides	Glyph	osate	2,4-	DB	Avermed	tin B1a	Bixafen M Desmethy		Boscalio M510		Bromo	oxynil	DDAC	C-C10		morph car- d (BF-421-2)		
MRRL [mg/kg]	0.	1	0.0	1	0.0	1	0.0	01	0.01		0.01		0.03		0.03 0.01			
Assigned Value [mg/kg]	0.5	35	0.0	61	0.0	57	0.0	05	0.08	81	0.0	59	0.177		0.177 0.089			
CV*	23.3	3%	19.0	0%	29.8	3%	20.	0%	13.1	L%	15.3	3%	19.	19.8%		19.8%		.1%
No. of numerical results / FN (EU/EFTA)	43 ,	/ O	35 ,	/ 2	39 /	1	20	/ 0	17 / 1		34/1		30 / 1		10 / 1			
Lab Code	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score		
1312	0.770	1.8	0.061	0.0	0.126	4.8	0.052	0.1	0.075	-0.3	0.056	-0.2	0.159	-0.4	0.079	-0.5		
1318	0.558	0.2			FN	-3.3					0.056	-0.2	0.202	0.6				
1320	0.483	-0.4	0.064	0.2	0.056	-0.1	0.043	-0.6	0.060	-1.0	0.042	-1.1	0.190	0.3	0.082	-0.3		
1322			0.0588	-0.1	0.0551	-0.2					0.0625	0.3						
1324	0.806	2.0			0.058	0.0					0.060	0.1						
1330	0.654	0.9	0.0721	0.7	0.0675	0.7					0.0453	-0.9	0.204	0.6				
1332	0.403	-1.0	0.0600	0.0	0.0558	-0.1	0.0512	0.1			0.0662	0.5	0.199	0.5				
1336	0.619	0.6																
1338	0.463	-0.5	0.0750	0.9			0.132	6.5	0.0890	0.4	0.0900	2.2			0.112	1.0		
1340							0.030	-1.6					0.144	-0.7	FN	-3.6		
1342	0.683	1.1	0.057	-0.2	0.071	0.9												
1346					0.0382	-1.3												
1350	0.60	0.5																
1352	0.513	-0.2	0.0485	-0.8	0.0483	-0.6					0.0396	-1.3						
1354	0.0618	-3.5	0.0524	-0.5	0.0519	-0.4					0.0546	-0.3						
1356	0.305	-1.7									0.0580	0.0	0.0969	-1.8				
1358	0.508	-0.2	0.0562	-0.3	0.0428	-1.0	0.0309	-1.5	0.0460	-1.7	0.0608	0.2	0.151	-0.6				
1364							0.0443	-0.5	0.0849	0.2			0.178	0.0				
1366	0.57	0.3											0.17	-0.2				
1368	0.562	0.2	0.0691	0.6	0.0596	0.1					0.0614	0.2	0.178	0.0				
1370					0.036	-1.5												
1392			0.0526	-0.5	0.0553	-0.2					0.0436	-1.0						
1394	0.520	-0.1	0.067	0.4	0.072	1.0	0.054	0.3	0.096	0.8	0.065	0.4	0.156	-0.5	0.095	0.3		
1396																		
1398	0.399	-1.0	0.065	0.3	0.066	0.6	0.069	1.5	0.094	0.7	0.064	0.4	0.272	2.1	0.089	0.0		
1400	0.502	-0.2	0.050	-0.7	0.032	-1.8	0.050	0.0	0.079	-0.1	0.050	-0.6	0.146	-0.7				
1402	0.466	-0.5	0.073	0.8	0.053	-0.3	0.058	0.6	0.073	-0.4	0.068	0.6	0.194	0.4	0.087	-0.1		
978 (3 rd Country)	0.442	-0.7			0.0520	-0.4												
1404 (3 rd Country)											0.0596	0.1						
1406 (3 rd Country)	1.8	9.5	0.05	-0.7	0.026	-2.2					0.015	-3.0	FN	-3.3				

Tab 1b: Results for t	the other 8	8 out of 15			in EUPT-S	RM14 repo	rted (z-sco	res were c	_		minary assi	gned value	es)			
Pesticides		nid Met. A-AM	Fluop benzami	•	М	PP	AIV	1PA	N-Ad glyph	etyl- osate	Halo	cyfop	МС	CPA	Мер	iquat
MRRL [mg/kg]	0.	01	0.02 0.101		0.05		0.1		0.1		0.01		0.01		0.01	
Assigned Value [mg/kg]	0.0	073			0.3	0.309		0.754		0.579		37	0.046		0.051	
CV*	21.	.8%	12.	4%	20.5%		19.0%		41.0%		21.	4%	25.3%		16.9%	
No. of numerical results / FN (EU/EFTA)	19	/ 5	20	/ 0	20	/1	28	/1	16	/0	41 / *		45 / 0		46	/ 0
Lab Code	Conc [mg/kg]	Conc [mg/kg]	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score
950	0.0498	-1.3	0.105	0.2	0.314	0.1	0.569	-1.0	0.354	-1.6	0.0454	1.0	0.0513	0.5	0.0455	-0.4
952																
956	FN	-3.5	0.0835	-0.7	0.231	-1.0	0.855	0.5	0.0438	-3.7	0.0382	0.2	0.0435	-0.2	0.0334	-1.4
992	0.0820	0.5	0.104	0.1	0.320	0.1	0.820	0.4	0.460	-0.8	0.0410	0.5	0.0470	0.1	0.0500	-0.1
1022																
1024																
1072											0.039	0.3	0.052	0.5	0.075	1.9
1090	0.081	0.5	0.102	0.0	0.302	-0.1	0.707	-0.2	0.693	0.8	0.044	0.8	0.049	0.3	0.053	0.2
1092					0.651	4.4	FN	-3.5	0.874	2.0	0.0120	-2.7	0.0367	-0.8	0.0480	-0.2
1150													0.032	-1.2	0.055	0.3
1206	0.069	-0.2	0.100	0.0	0.303	-0.1	0.705	-0.3	0.625	0.3	0.038	0.2	0.050	0.3	0.050	-0.1
1214					0.27	-0.5	0.69	-0.3			0.046	1.0	0.065	1.6	0.052	0.1
1218	FN	-3.5					0.795	0.2			0.040	0.4	0.049	0.3	0.055	0.3
1224							1.200	2.4							0.052	0.1
1228	0.074	0.1			0.313	0.1	0.303	-2.4			0.057	2.2	0.078	2.8	0.054	0.2
1240	0.0342	-2.1									0.0392	0.3	0.0377	-0.7		
1244			0.101	0.0	0.350	0.5	0.791	0.2	0.517	-0.4	0.0318	-0.5	0.0430	-0.3	0.0427	-0.6
1246																
1248																
1250			0.0919	-0.4									0.0317	-1.2	0.0588	0.6
1266	0.079	0.3	0.108	0.3	0.291	-0.2	0.679	-0.4	0.665	0.6	0.042	0.6	0.056	0.9	0.042	-0.7
1270			0.0925	-0.3							0.036	-0.1	0.0454	-0.1	0.042	-0.7
1274											0.0342	-0.3	0.0356	-0.9	0.0543	0.3
1276					0.229	-1.0	0.781	0.1	0.354	-1.6	0.0391	0.3	0.0467	0.1	0.0726	1.7
1278							0.857	0.5			0.038	0.2	0.050	0.3	0.049	-0.2
1290											0.02	-1.8	0.02	-2.3	0.05	-0.1
1292	0.0716	-0.1	0.102	0.0			1.00	1.3			0.0321	-0.5	0.0286	-1.5	0.0631	1.0
1298			0.102	0.0							0.0384	0.2	0.0467	0.1	0.055	0.3
1300							0.730	-0.1			0.048	1.2	0.071	2.2	0.048	-0.2
1302	FN	-3.5	0.099	-0.1			3.730	5.1			0.010		0.071	2.8	0.052	0.1
1306		3.5	0.033	-0.1							0.0238	-1.4	0.070	2.0	0.032	-0.2
1310											0.0238	-1.4	0.038	-0.7	0.0479	-1.4
1210											0.024	-1.4	0.036	-0.7	0.055	-1.4

Pesticides	Flonican TFN	nid Met. A-AM	Fluopyram- benzamide (M25)		М	PP	AN	АМРА		cetyl- osate	Halo	kyfop	МС	CPA .	Mep	oiquat
MRRL [mg/kg]	0.	01			0.	0.05		0.1		0.1		0.01		0.01		0.01
Assigned Value [mg/kg]	0.0	0.073 0.101		.01	0.3	809	0.7	754	0.579		0.0	37	0.046 25.3%		0.051 16.9%	
CV*	21.	.8%	12.	4%	20.5%		19.0%		41	.0%	21.	4%				
No. of numerical esults / FN (EU/EFTA)	19	/5	20 / 0		20 / 1		28 / 1		16 / 0		41 / *		45 / 0		46 / 0	
Lab Code	Conc [mg/kg]	Conc [mg/kg]	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score	Conc [mg/kg]	z-Score
1312	0.071	-0.1	0.094	-0.3	0.680	4.8					0.042	0.6	0.047	0.1	0.141	7.1
1318							0.790	0.2			0.038	0.2	0.053	0.6	0.032	-1.5
1320	0.096	1.3	0.120	0.8	0.309	0.0	0.532	-1.2	1.889	9.1	0.032	-0.5	0.039	-0.6	0.032	-1.5
1322	0.0576	-0.8									0.0423	0.6	0.0460	0.0		
1324					0.288	-0.3	0.898	0.8			FN*	-2.9	0.054	0.7	0.051	0.0
1330					0.268	-0.5					0.0387	0.2	0.0395	-0.6	0.0504	0.0
1332	0.0690	-0.2	0.0953	-0.2							0.0390	0.3	0.0534	0.6	0.0421	-0.7
1336							0.58	-0.9								
1338	0.0825	0.5	0.116	0.6	0.376	0.9	0.949	1.0	0.487	-0.6	0.0356	-0.1	0.0625	1.4	0.0472	-0.3
1340			0.101	0.0							0.022	-1.6	0.031	-1.3	0.042	-0.7
1342	FN	-3.5									0.044	0.8	0.059	1.1	0.076	2.0
1346																
1350							0.84	0.5							0.058	0.6
1352									0.496	-0.6	0.0309	-0.6	0.0361	-0.9	0.0542	0.3
1354	0.0666	-0.3	0.0766	-1.0							0.0288	-0.9	0.0405	-0.5	0.0633	1.0
1356	0.0340	-2.1					0.659	-0.5			0.0257	-1.2	0.013	-2.9	0.0505	0.0
1358			0.0532	-1.9			0.599	-0.8	2.01	9.9	0.0212	-1.7	0.0487	0.2	0.0560	0.4
1364			0.0934	-0.3												
1366					0.32	0.1	0.87	0.6	0.46	-0.8						
1368	FN	-3.5			0.237	-0.9	0.833	0.4	0.491	-0.6	0.0418	0.6	0.0484	0.2	0.0586	0.6
1370																
1392											0.0322	-0.5	0.0416	-0.4		
1394	0.094	1.2	0.114	0.5			0.637	-0.6			0.040	0.4	0.054	0.7	0.052	0.1
1396															0.052	0.1
1398	0.087	0.8	0.114	0.5	0.490	2.3							0.056	0.9	0.046	-0.4
1400	0.072	0.0	FN	-3.2			0.753	0.0			0.039	0.3	0.030	-1.4	0.033	-1.4
1402	0.082	0.5	0.117	0.6	0.245	-0.8	0.697	-0.3	0.689	0.8	0.042	0.6	0.053	0.6	0.056	0.4
978 (3 rd Country)													0.0447	0.1		
1404 (3 rd Country)	0.0778	0.3									0.0385	0.2	0.0499	0.3		
1406 (3 rd Country)	0.197	6.8	0.291	7.6			3.1	12.5			0.0055	-3.4	FN	-3.1	0.045	-0.5

Table 2: Potentially Fals	able 2: Potentially False Positive Results													
Lab Code	Analyte	MRRL [mg/kg]	RL [mg/kg]	Reported results [mg/kg] (cp. to MRRL)	Preliminary Judgement									
1072	BAC C-12	0.03	0.03	0.018 (< RL and < MRRL)	NO FP									
1214	BAC C-12	0.03	0.005	0.005 (<mrrl, but="RL)</td"><td>NO FP</td></mrrl,>	NO FP									
1332	BAC C-12	0.03	0.03	0.0102 (< RL and < MRRL)	NO FP									
1338	Dichlorprop	0.01	0.01	0.0770	FP									
1356	Glufosinate	0.1	0.1	0.135	FP									
1406 (3 rd Country)	BAC C-12	0.03	0.03	0.16	FP									
1406 (3 rd Country)	Glufosinate	0.1	0.1	0.59	FP									