

EUPT-CF9 - Announcement

The European Union Reference Laboratory for Pesticides Residues in Cereals and Feeding stuff (EURL-CF) announces its ninth European Proficiency Test on for pesticides in cereals and feedingstuff requiring multi residue methods (MRMs), EUPT-CF9.

The aim of the test is to provide laboratories with an assessment, both of their analytical performance and the reliability of their data - in comparison to other laboratories. This will hopefully result in positive changes and quality improvements at each of the laboratories.

Test Items

The Test Material will be **maize flour with spiked pesticides**. The participants will receive approximately 125 g of a treated and approximately 125 g of a blank test material.

Target Analytes

The list of analytes potentially contained in the Test Item is shown in the **Target Pesticides List**. For each of the analytes a specific minimum required reporting level (MRRL) is given.

Registration

The Registration Website will open in February. More information will be published on www.eurl-pesticide.eu

Shipment and deadline for result submission

The **shipment of Test Items is planned to 20 April 2015** and the **deadline for result submission is 19 May 2015**. If any laboratories have holidays during the shipment period, please inform us so that we can rearrange shipment.

Obligated and eligible laboratories

Participation is mandatory for:

1. All EU National Reference Laboratories for pesticides in cereals and feeding stuff (NRL-CFs)
2. All EU Official Laboratories (OfLs) undertaking pesticide residue analyses of cereals and feed within the frame of National controls and EU official controls (see Art. 28 of EC Reg. 396/2005).
3. Laboratories analysing pesticide residues within the frame of import controls according to Reg. 669/2009/EC are also considered as performing official controls and thus also obliged to take part in EUPTs

A list of the labs that are obliged to participate at the EUPT-CF9 will be published on the EURL website www.eurl-pesticides.eu. If participation of obliged laboratories in this EUPT is not possible, DG-SANCO expects from all laboratories listed in the list to give an explanation. This explanation can be given in the Registration. All labs should thus access the Registration Website.

This EUPT is furthermore open for all national reference laboratories (NRLs) and official laboratories (OfLs) in the EU-candidate states and the EFTA countries.

The PT is also open for Official laboratories in third countries (countries outside EU) as long as test material is available and provided that DG-SANCO gives its consent.

Fee

For participating **laboratories from the EU, EU-candidate states and EFTA states** the participation fee will be:

175 €

The participation fees for **laboratories from third countries**:

350 €

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