

To: NRLs mycotoxins & plant toxins in food and feed
Mr. F. Verstraete (EC)

Dear colleagues of NRLs,

With this newsletter I would like to share with you a few updates.

Workshop 2024 dates. In the case you did not pencil this in your agenda, the EURL MP 2024 Workshop will be held on 1-2 Oct 2024. The location and instruction will soon follow.

The PT change for 2024. Our recent survey on enniatin and beauvericin analysis capabilities revealed limited progress since the 2016 and 2021 proficiency tests (PTs) by JRC and WFSR. In light of this, and in agreement with the European Commission, we'll focus on a tropane alkaloid PT, most likely in teff and herbal infusions, aligning with your recent PT preference survey.

Enniatin and beauvericin method development: We remain committed to have NRLs implementing this method by 2024/early 2025. We intend to share our established method, relevant experiences, and comprehensive guidance for successful lab implementation. This support should encourage broader participation in future PTs for these toxins, which also may be obligatory.

I hope that I have informed you sufficiently.

Sincerely,

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