

5-Day Theoretical and Practical Training Workshop on Laboratory  
Identification of Species, Screening of Living Modified Organisms and  
Detection of Plant Pathogens

## **Screening and identification of living modified organisms – theoretical training**

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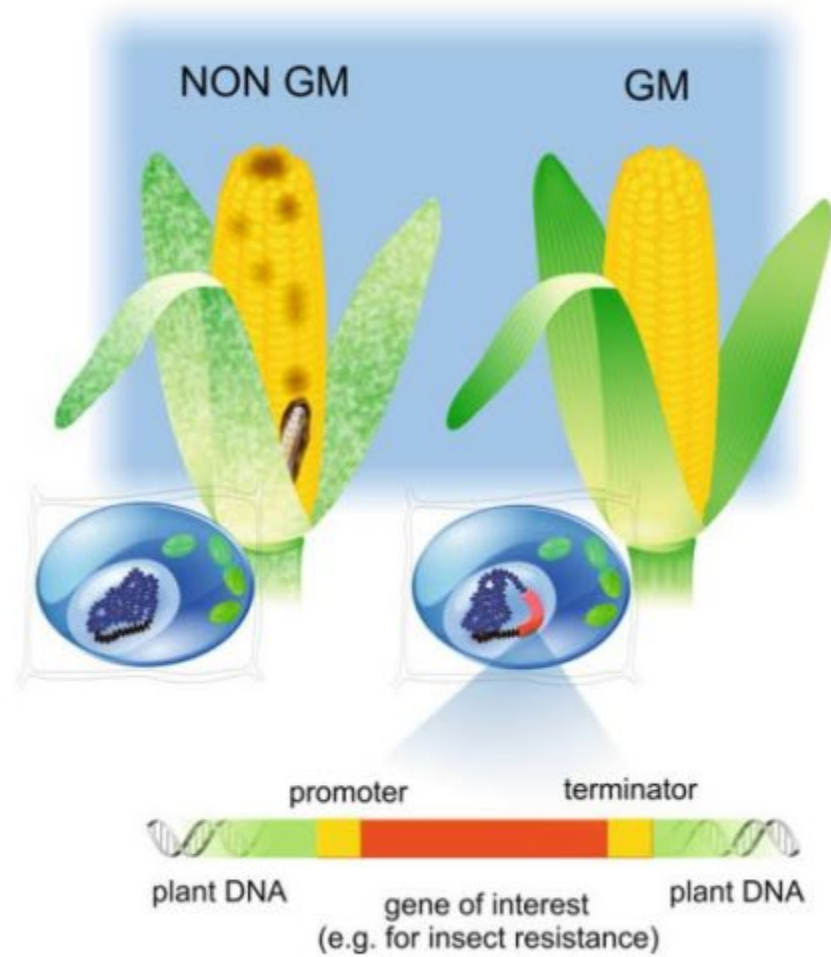


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- LMO identification

# General information



# Living Modified Organisms (LMOs)/Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)

...by the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (article 3):

(g) "Living modified organism" means any living organism that possesses a novel combination of genetic material obtained through the use of modern biotechnology;

(h) "Living organism" means any biological entity capable of transferring or replicating genetic material, including sterile organisms, viruses and viroids

(i) "Modern biotechnology" means the application of

- (a) In vitro nucleic acid techniques, including recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and direct injection of nucleic acid into cells or organelles, or
- (b) fusion of cells beyond the taxonomic family, that overcome natural physiological reproductive or recombination barriers and that are not techniques used in traditional breeding and selection.

... by the EU legal definition<sup>1</sup>:

"genetically modified organism (GMO)" means an organisms, with the exception of humans, in which the genetic material has been altered through the use of biotechnological methods, in a way that does not occur naturally by mating and/or natural recombination.

<sup>1</sup> Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and the Council of 12 March 2001 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms and repealing Council Directive 90/220/EC

## Standards, guidelines, recommendations....

ISO 24276:2006 Foodstuffs — Methods of analysis for the detection of genetically modified organisms and derived products — General requirements and definitions

ISO 21571:2005 Foodstuffs — Methods of analysis for the detection of genetically modified organisms and derived products — Nucleic acid extraction

ISO 21569:2005 Foodstuffs - Methods of analysis for the detection of genetically modified organisms and derived products - Qualitative nucleic acid based methods

Series of ISO/TS 21569

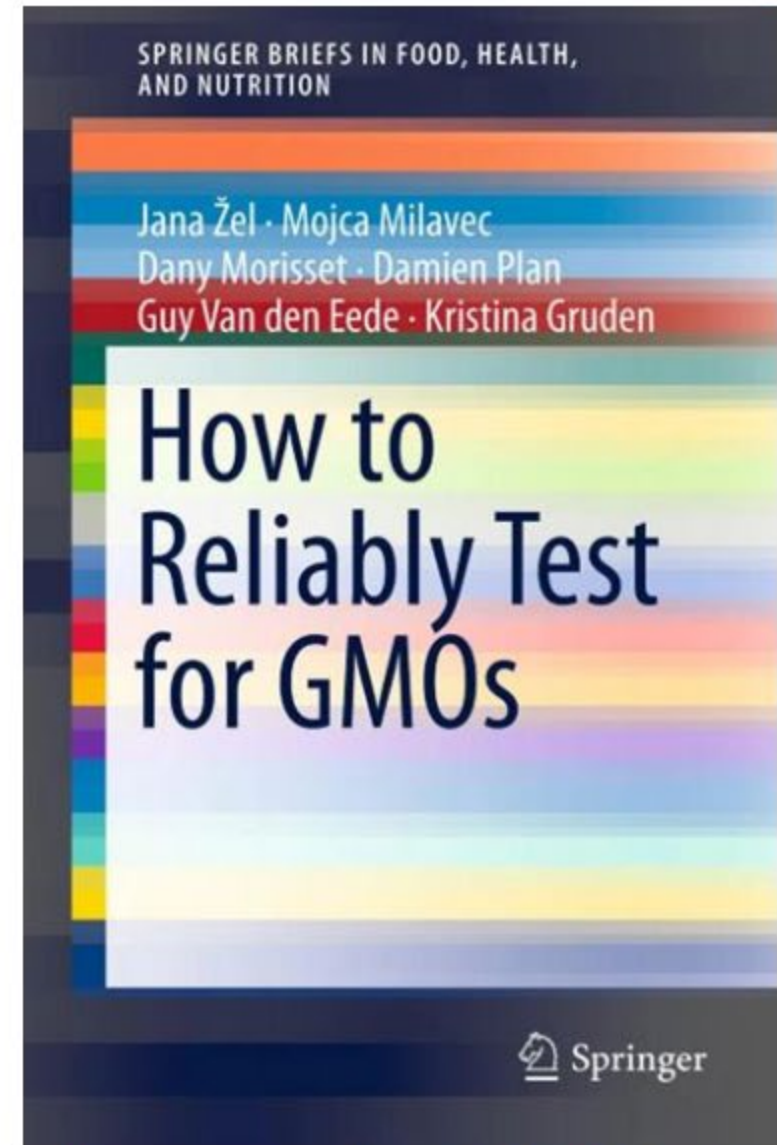
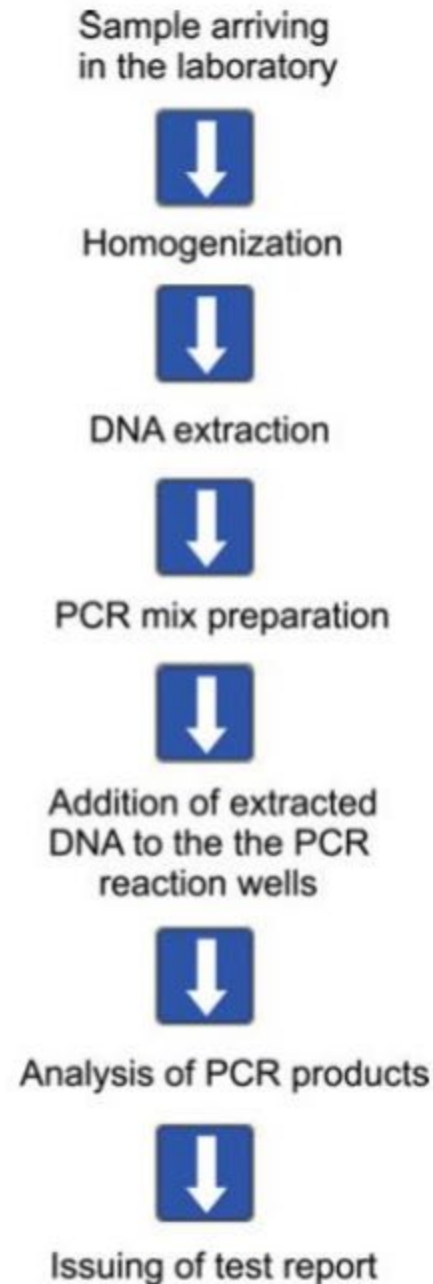
ISO 21570:2005 Foodstuffs - Methods of analysis for the detection of genetically modified organisms and derived products - Quantitative nucleic acid based methods

Definition of Minimum Performance Requirements for Analytical Methods of GMO Testing (European Network of GMO Laboratories - ENGL)

Definition of minimum performance requirements for analytical methods of GMO testing. Part 2. (ENGL)

Nucleic acid!

**Fig. 3** Scheme showing unidirectional route of sample in GMO testing from the first contact with the customer, through analyses in the laboratory, and issue of the final test report to the customer. Wherever possible, separate rooms (or chambers) should be assured for performing each stage of the procedure



<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-1-4614-1390-5>

## Genetically Modified Organisms/Living Modified Organisms



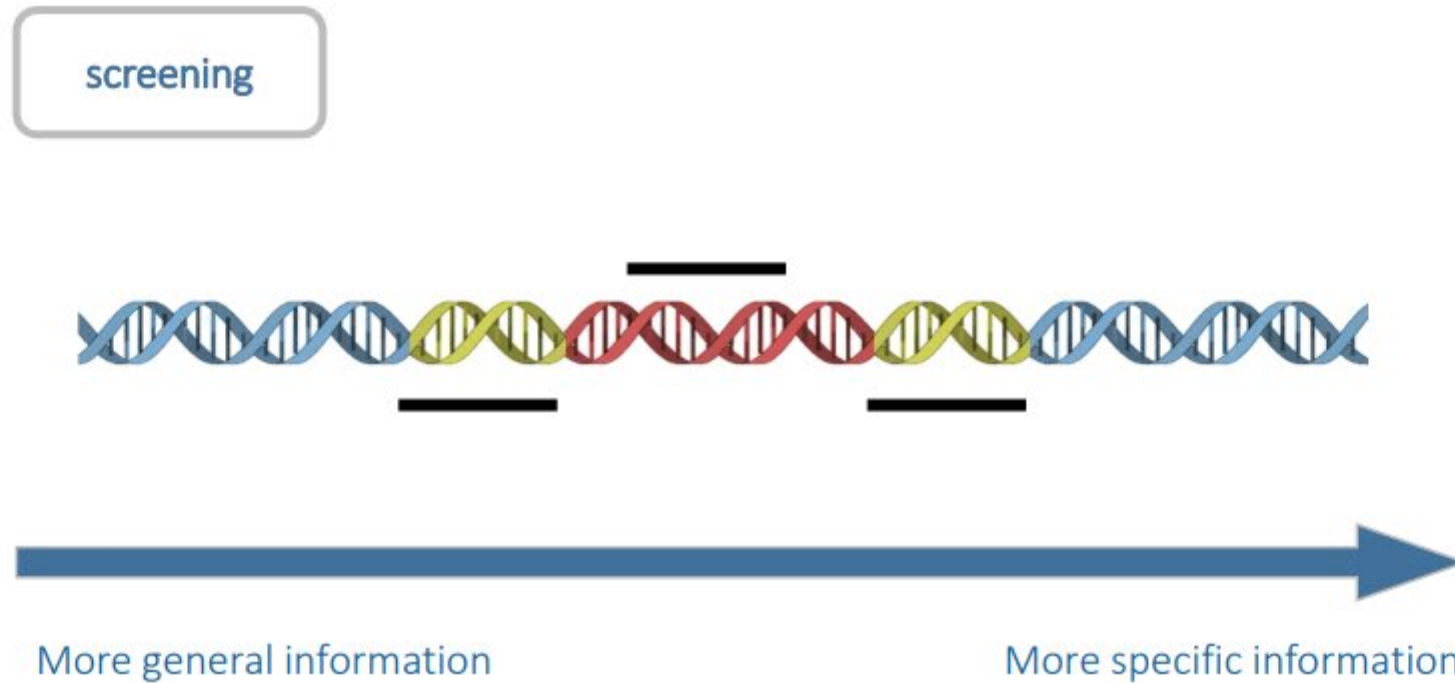
Screening and identification are possible, if the inserted sequence is known.

## Three partite PCR-based testing scheme

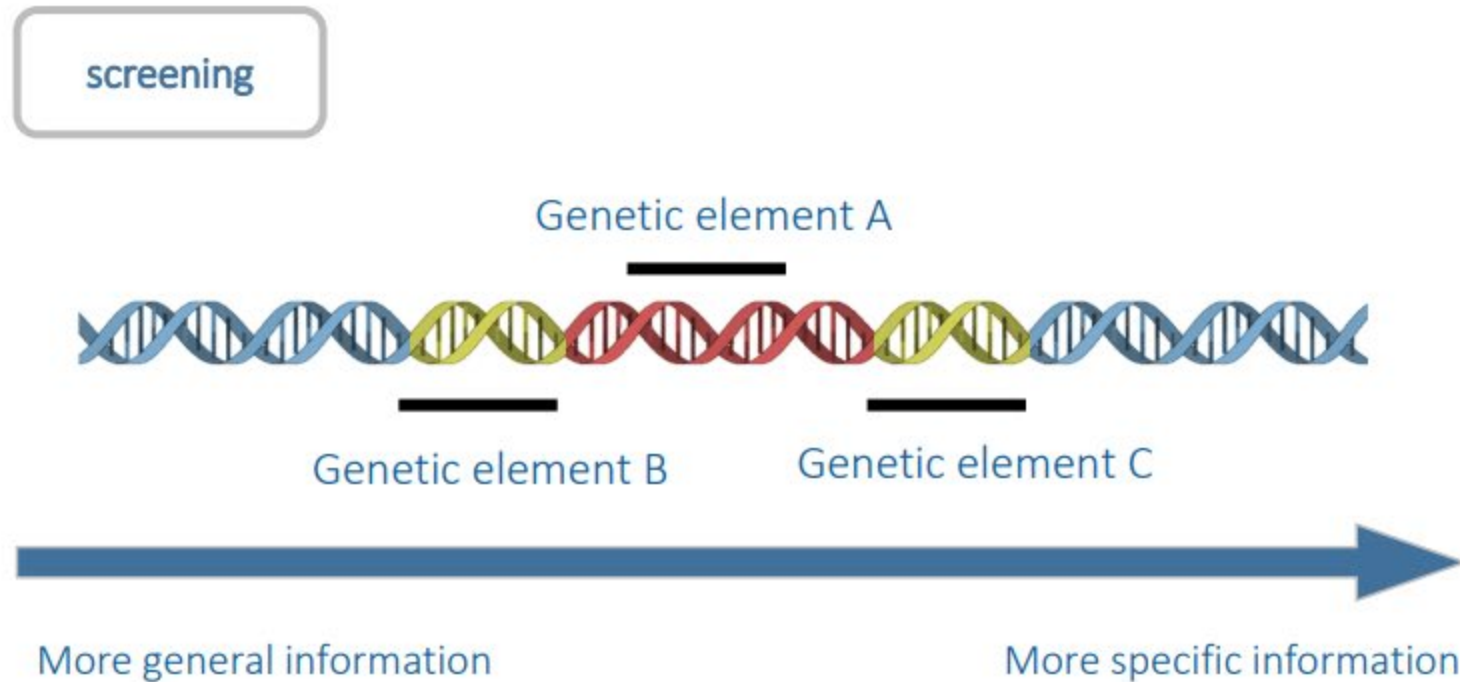




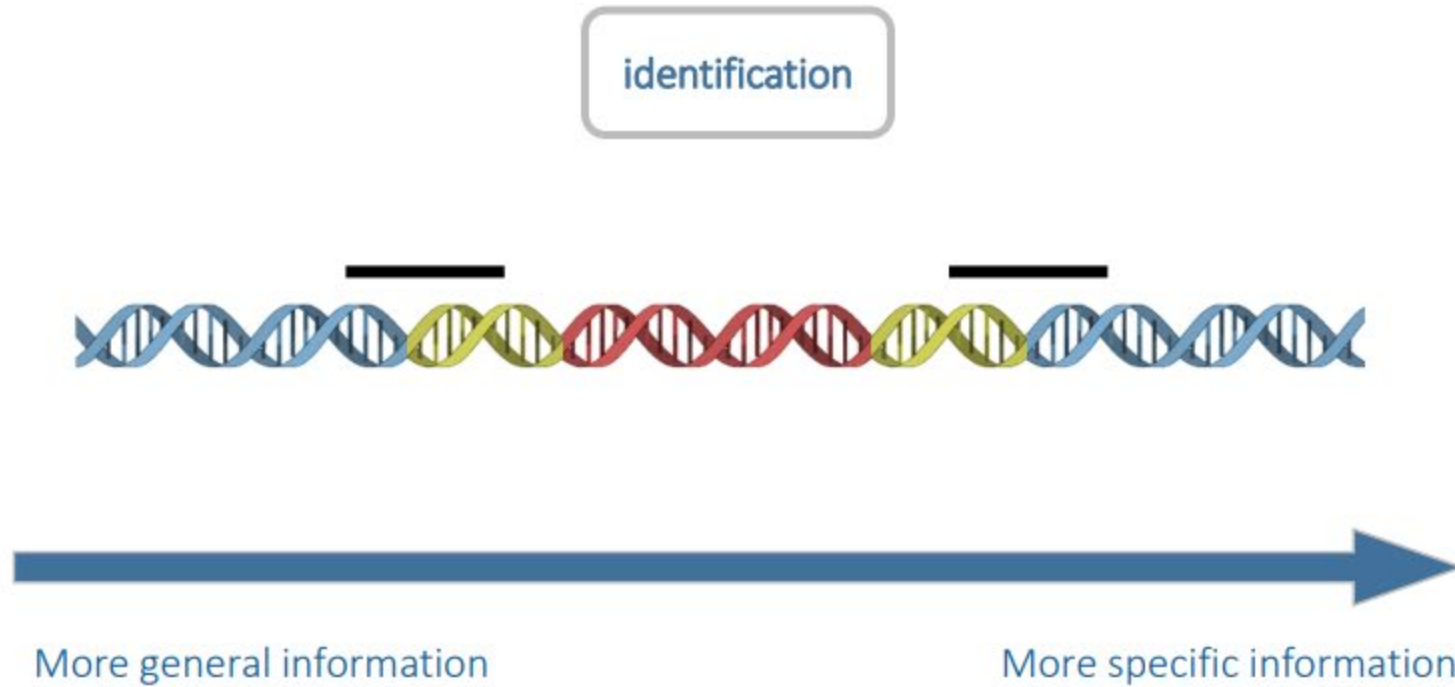
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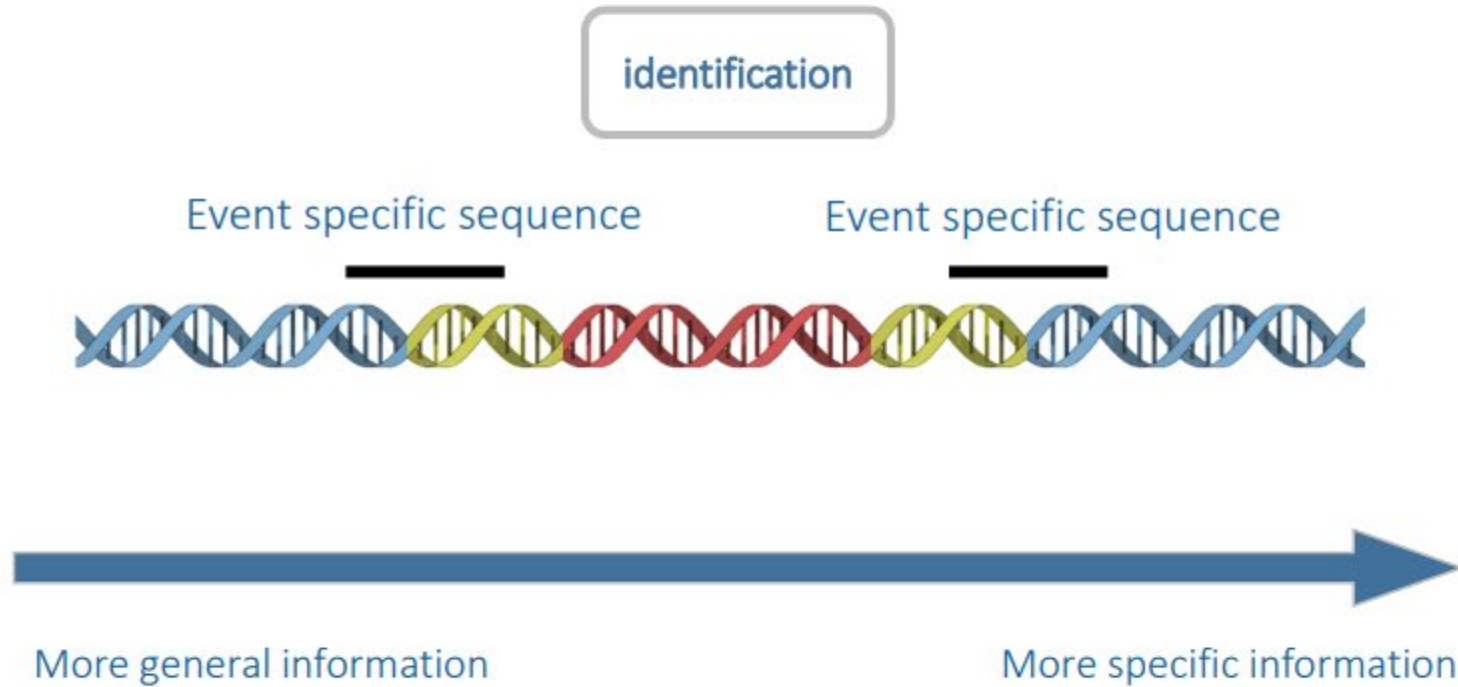
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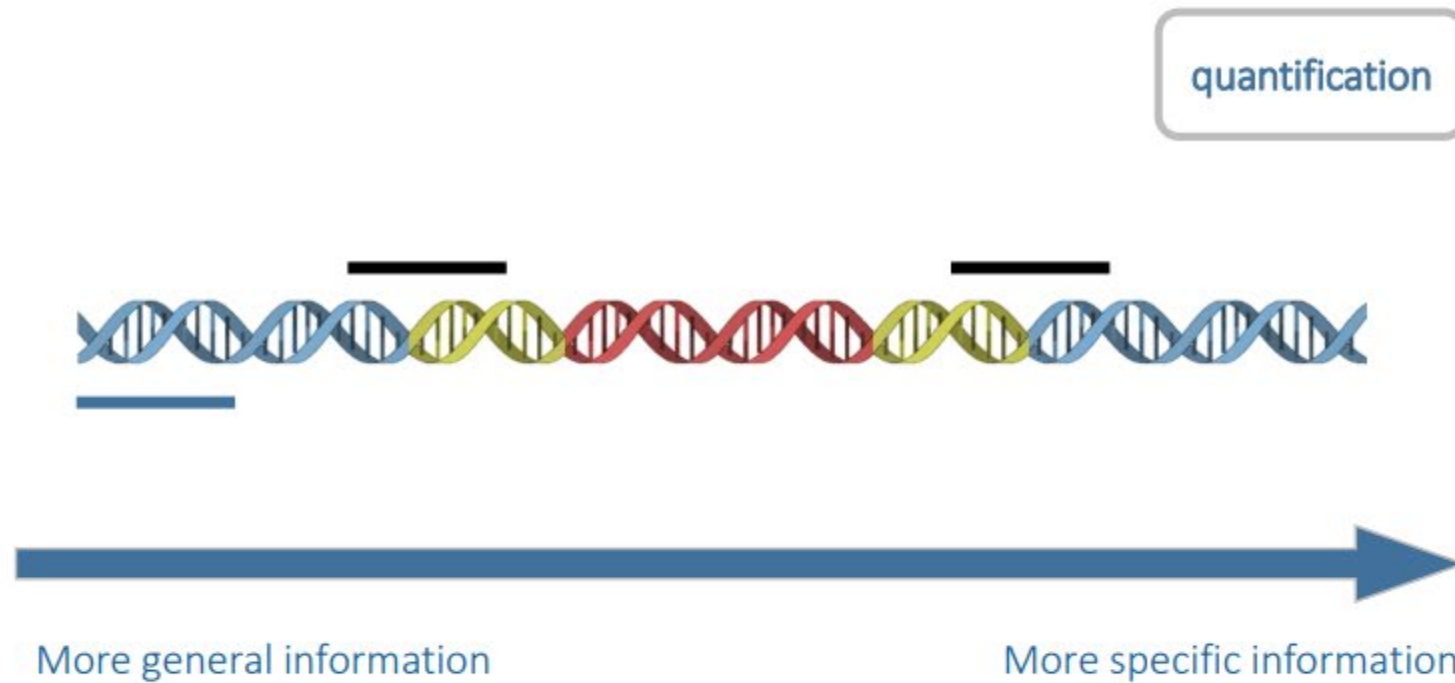
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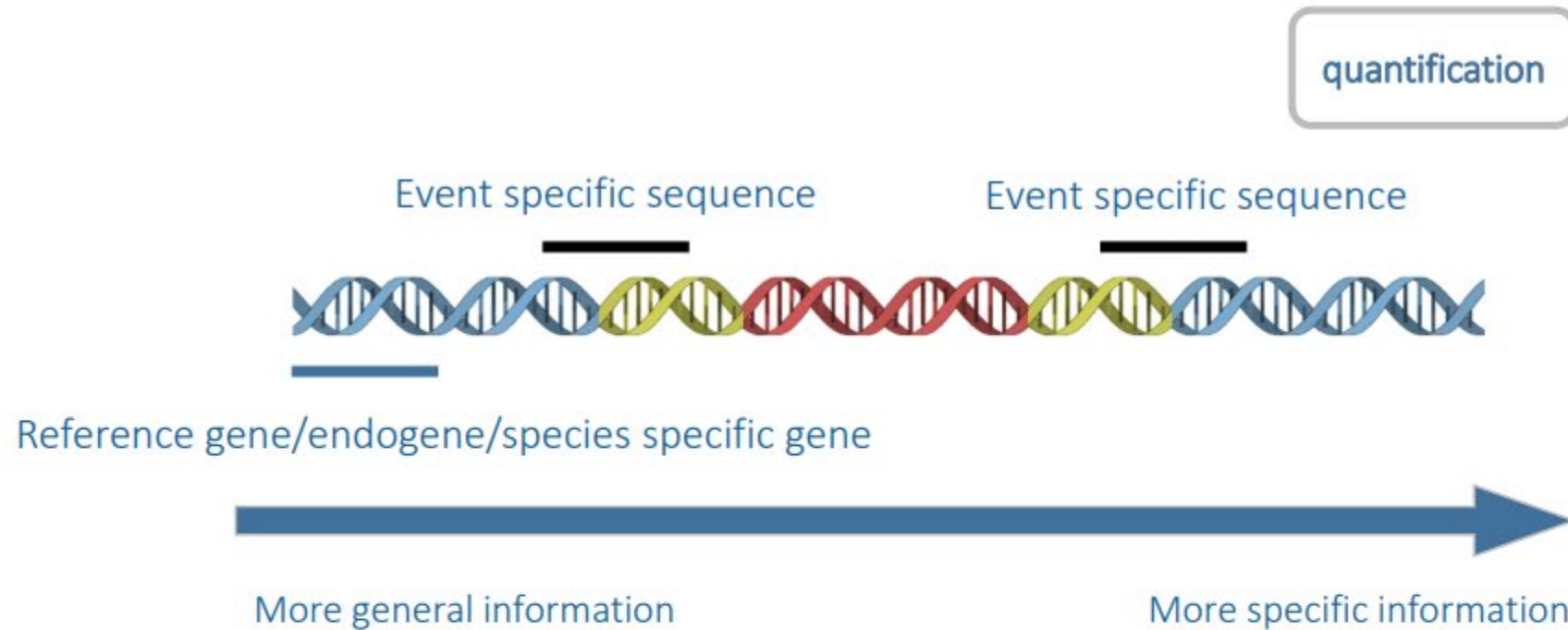
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# Sources of information on LMOs

The Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH) is an online platform for exchanging information on Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) and a key tool for facilitating the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.

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## Announcements



### The Implementation Plan and the Capacity-building Action Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

Read the Implementation Plan and the Capacity-building Action Plan, adopted at CP-MOP 10.



### Online discussions of the Network of Laboratories for the Detection and Identification of Living Modified Organisms

17-28 November 2023



### Poll on Public Awareness, Education and Participation regarding LMOs

Information to be submitted no later than 16 October 2023.

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## Living Modified Organism (LMO) Registry

### Registries

LMO Registry

Organism Registry

Genetic Element Registry

The LMO Registry provides summary information on all living modified organisms registered in the BCH, including transformation events, genetic modifications and the [unique identification code](#) (if available) for each record. Links to all decisions and risk assessment reports that refer to these organisms are accessible through the records in the registry.

Click [here](#) to perform an in-depth search of all LMO records available in this Registry.

Total records: 960

Export

| Record ID                             | Unique identification | Identity & transformation event              | Organism  | Description   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-114444-1</a> | AAT-709AA-4           | <b>Pod Borer-resistant cowpea</b><br>AAT709A | Vigna unguiculata<br>Cowpea, Black eyed pea                                       | Resistance to diseases and pests - Insects - Lepidoptera (butterflies and moths),<br>Resistance to antibiotics - Kanamycin                        |
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-14752-6</a>  | ACS-BN011-5           | <b>Navigator™ canola</b><br>Oxy-235          | Brassica napus<br>Turnip, Rapeseed, Canola<br>Plant, Oilseed Rape,<br>Rape, BRANA | Resistance to herbicides - Bromoxynil   |
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-15101-6</a>  | ACS-BN010-4           | <b>Falcon™ rapeseed</b><br>GS40/90pHoe6/Ac   | Brassica napus<br>Turnip, Rapeseed, Canola<br>Plant, Oilseed Rape,<br>Rape, BRANA | Resistance to herbicides - Glufosinate  |
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-14753-6</a>  | ACS-BN001-4           | <b>InVigor™ canola</b><br>RF1 (B93-101)      | Brassica napus<br>Turnip, Rapeseed, Canola<br>Plant, Oilseed Rape,<br>Rape, BRANA | Resistance to herbicides - Glufosinate, Resistance to antibiotics - Kanamycin,<br>Changes in physiology and/or production - Fertility restoration |
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-14754-5</a>  | ACS-BN002-5           | <b>InVigor™ canola</b><br>RF2 (B94-2)        | Brassica napus<br>Turnip, Rapeseed, Canola<br>Plant, Oilseed Rape,<br>Rape, BRANA | Resistance to herbicides - Glufosinate, Resistance to antibiotics - Kanamycin,<br>Changes in physiology and/or production - Fertility restoration |
| <a href="#">BCH-LMO-SCBD-14755-9</a>  | ACS-BN003-6           | <b>InVigor™ canola</b><br>RF3                | Brassica napus<br>Turnip, Rapeseed, Canola<br>Plant, Oilseed Rape,<br>Rape, BRANA | Resistance to herbicides - Glufosinate, Changes in physiology and/or production -<br>Fertility restoration  |



[Decisions on the LMO](#) [Risk Assessments](#)

PUBLISHED: 05 JUN 2006 LAST UPDATED: 15 JAN 2013

### Living Modified Organism identity

The image below identifies the LMO through its unique identifier, trade name and a link to this page of the BCH. Click on it to download a larger image on your computer. For help on how to use it go to the LMO quick-links page.



Name

CDC Trifid flax modified for herbicide resistance

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Transformation event

FP967

Does this LMO have a unique identifier?

Yes

Unique identifier

CDC-FL001-2

Developer(s)

- ORGANIZATION: UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN | [BCH-CON-SCBD-4941-2](#)

ORGANIZATION:

University of Saskatchewan

Website: <http://www.usask.ca/>

Description

Linseed tolerant to the herbicide sulfonyleurea through insertion of the acetolactate synthase (als) gene. Neomycin phosphotransferase II (neo) confers resistance to the antibiotic kanamycin and the nos gene codes for nopaline synthase; these were used as selectable markers.

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Recipient Organism or Parental Organisms

The term "Recipient organism" refers to an organism (either already modified or non-modified) that was subjected to genetic modification, whereas "Parental organisms" refers to those that were involved in cross breeding or cell fusion.

[BCH-ORGA-SCBD-12087-4](#) | Organism | *Linum usitatissimum* (Flax, Flax, Linseed, LINUS)

Crops

## Characteristics of the modification process

Vector

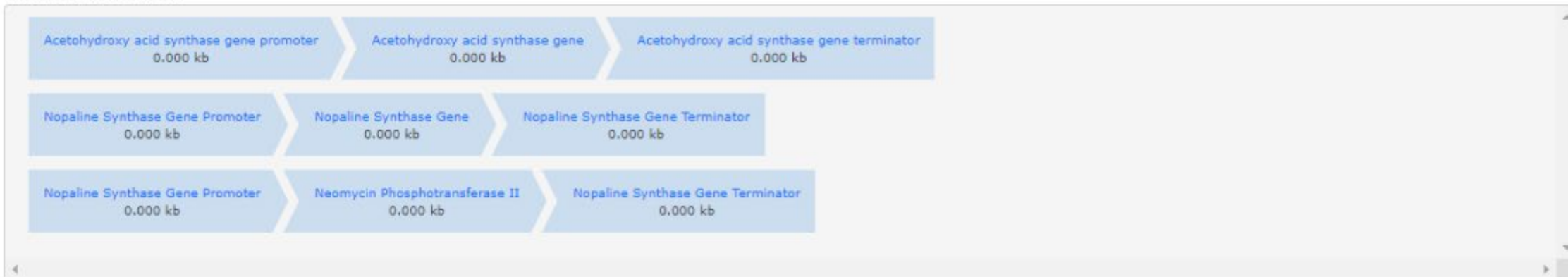
pGH6 derived from pGV3850

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Techniques used for the modification

Agrobacterium-mediated DNA transfer

Genetic elements construct



Introduced or modified genetic element(s)

Some of these genetic elements may be present as fragments or truncated forms. Please see notes below, where applicable.

- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-15001-5](#) | Neomycin Phosphotransferase II | *Escherichia coli* (ECOLX)  
Protein coding sequence | Resistance to antibiotics (Kanamycin) | Three partite PCR-based testin...
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-15171-5](#) | Nopaline Synthase Gene | *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (Agrobacterium)  
Protein coding sequence | Selectable marker genes and reporter genes
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-103932-4](#) | Acetohydroxy acid synthase gene promoter | *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Thale cress, Mouse-ear cress, Arabidopsis, ARATH)  
Promoter
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-103933-4](#) | Acetohydroxy acid synthase gene terminator | *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Thale cress, Mouse-ear cress, Arabidopsis, ARATH)  
Terminator
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-100270-6](#) | Nopaline Synthase Gene Promoter | *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (Agrobacterium)  
Promoter
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-100269-8](#) | Nopaline Synthase Gene Terminator | *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (Agrobacterium)  
Terminator
- [BCH-GENE-SCBD-48073-8](#) | Acetohydroxy acid synthase gene | *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Thale cress, Mouse-ear cress, Arabidopsis, ARATH)  
Protein coding sequence | Resistance to herbicides (Imidazolinone, Sulfonylurea)

## LMO characteristics

### Modified traits

Resistance to herbicides  
Sulfonylurea  
Resistance to antibiotics  
Kanamycin

### Common use(s) of the LMO

Food  
Feed

## Detection method(s)

### External link(s)

 [European Union Reference Laboratory - Detection of flax CDC Triffid \(FP967\) \[ English \]](#)  
 [CDC-FL001-2 - EU Reference Laboratory for GM Food and Feed \(EURL-GMFF\) \( JRC \) \[ English \]](#)  
[No Title]

## Additional Information

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Sulfonylurea herbicides, such as triasulfuron and metsulfuron-methyl, target and bind to the enzyme acetolactate synthase (ALS) thereby inhibiting the biosynthesis of the branched chain amino acids valine, leucine and isoleucine and resulting in the accumulation of toxic levels of alpha-ketoglutarate.

In addition to its native ALS gene, CDC Triffid contains an als gene from a chlorsulfuron tolerant line of *Arabidopsis thaliana*. This variant als gene differs from the wild type *A. thaliana* gene by one nucleotide and the resulting ALS enzyme differs by one amino acid from the wild type ALS enzyme. The inserted als gene is linked to its native promoter and terminator.

Enzyme extracts from CDC Triffid exhibited a slightly higher ALS activity compared to its non-modified counterpart cv. Norlin. Whereas the statistical significance of this higher activity could not be verified, it may be expected due to the presence of at least two additional copies of the als gene in CDC Triffid.

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### Other relevant website addresses and/or attached documents

 [Biotechnology Consultation Note to the File BNF No. 000050 - FDA \[ English \]](#)

## Sources of information on methods for detection of LMOs

- Compendium of reference methods for GMO analysis
- EURL-GMFF web page
- Scientific literature
- Commercial providers

### Compendium of reference methods for GMO analysis

European Union Reference Laboratory for GM Food and Feed (EURL-GMFF)  
European Network of GMO Laboratories (ENGL)

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# Compendium of reference methods for GMO analysis

([https://publications.jrc.ec.europa.eu/repository/bitstream/JRC64876/gmo-jrc\\_reference%20report\\_2011\\_publ.pdf](https://publications.jrc.ec.europa.eu/repository/bitstream/JRC64876/gmo-jrc_reference%20report_2011_publ.pdf))

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## GMOMETHODS

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or by GMO unique identifier:

### Quantitative methods

- GMO specific
  - Event specific

### Qualitative methods

- GMO specific
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epsps  or by GMO unique identifier:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 |    | QL-CON-00-008 | Qualitative PCR method for detection of the junction between the chloroplast transit peptide 2 and the CP4 epsps gene (Grohmann et al., 2009).                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 |    | QT-CON-00-001 | Quantitative PCR method for detection of the junction between the chloroplast transit peptide and the CP4 epsps gene.  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |    | QL-ELE-00-019 | Qualitative PCR method for detection of CP4 epsps gene (Barbau-Piednoir et al., 2014).   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |  | QT-CON-00-008 | Quantitative PCR method for detection of the junction between an optimized transit peptide sequence and the point mutated epsps gene from maize.                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7 |  | QT-CON-00-003 | Quantitative PCR method for detection of the junction between the CaMV35S promoter and the CTP sequence (ISO/FDIS 21570:2005).                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 |  | QL-CON-00-006 | Qualitative PCR method for detection of the junction between the CaMV35S promoter and the chloroplast transit peptide sequence (EU-Project SMT4-CT96-2072:1998). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9 |  | QL-CON-00-001 | Qualitative PCR method for detection of the junction between the CaMV35S promoter and the chloroplast transit peptide sequence (ISO/FDIS 21569:2005).            |

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keyword   or by GMO unique identifier:

**Quantitative methods**

- GMO specific
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    - Cotton
    - Maize
    - Oilseed rape
    - Papaya
    - Potato
    - Rice

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- **MON-00863-5**
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### Entry information

Entry name **QT-EVE-ZM-009**; SV 0; linear; genomic DNA; STS; SYN; 84 BP.  
Primary accession **MON-00863-5**

### Description

Description Quantitative PCR method for detection of maize event MON863 (Mazzara et al., 2005).  
Keywords [event\\_specific](#)  
From Zea mays (maize) - event MON863 (MON-00863-5)

### References

1 Mazzara M., Foti N., Price S., Paoletti C., Van Den Eede G., "Event-Specific Method for the Quantitation of Maize Line MON 863 Using Real-Time PCR - Validation Report and Protocol"; Online Publication (2005).  
[BSHOP](#) [LBNA21830](#)  
Reference Position 1-84

2 "PCR reactions set up and amplification conditions"; Online Publication (2010).  
[PCR](#) [QT-EVE-ZM-009.pdf](#)  
Reference Position 1-84

### Cross-references

GMOMETHODS [QT-TAX-ZM-011](#);

### Features

| Key         | From | To | Length | Qualifier     | Value  |
|-------------|------|----|--------|---------------|--|
| sts         | 1    | 84 | 84     | standard_name | PCR 84 bp amplicon   |
|             |      |    |        | note          | event-specific RT-PCR  |
|             |      |    |        | target        | 5' integration border region (IBR) between the insert of maize event MON 863 and the maize host genome |
| primer_bind | 1    | 23 | 23     | standard_name | Primer forward: MON863 primer F  |
|             |      |    |        | note          | TGTTACGGCCTAAATGCTGA   |
|             |      |    |        | target        | 5'-host genome   |

### Sequence information

Length: **84 BP**, A count: **15**, C count: **19**, G count: **16**, T count: **23**, Other count: **11**

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<https://food.r-biopharm.com/analytes/genetically-modified-organisms/>

<https://www.invitek.com/en/gmo-detection>

<https://www.techno-path.com/product/gmo-detection-kits/>

+ foodproof® GMO Screening Kit, 2 Target

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- foodproof® GMO Screening Kit, 4 Target

The foodproof GMO Screening Kit detects and differentiates the 35S promoter (cauliflower mosaic virus), the NOS terminator (Agrobacterium tumefaciens), the bar gene (Streptomyces hygroscopicus) and the FMV promoter (figwort mosaic virus). This multiplex real-time PCR kit can be used to detect genetically modified plants in food and animal feed. Additionally as a control, the kit allows the detection of plant DNA in the sample.]



Product Sheet

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+ foodproof® GMO Screening 2 LyoKit, 5 Targets

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## Pre-analytical steps



## Pre-analytical steps - Sampling

A **representative sample** must be obtained from the material to be examined (e.g. container of maize kernels should be examined, while typical laboratory sample is 10 000 kernels).

If possible, taking samples for the subsequent official analysis should be carried out by so-called official sampler or inspection agency.

There are different sampling guidelines, depending on the goods to be sampled.



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## International Rules for Seed Testing

## Pre-analytical steps – Subsampling of the laboratory sample

In general the whole laboratory sample is homogenised to obtain a test sample for the analysis. Sometimes mass reduction (sub-sampling) has to be done. The procedure followed has to be documented.

These guidelines are based on that of an existing standard (ISO 6498:2012, Animal feeding stuffs Guidelines for sample preparation) and adapted for GMO detection and different matrices (food, feed and seeds).

## Guidelines for sample preparation procedures in GMO analysis

*Prepared by the ENGL ad hoc working group on “sample preparation procedures”*

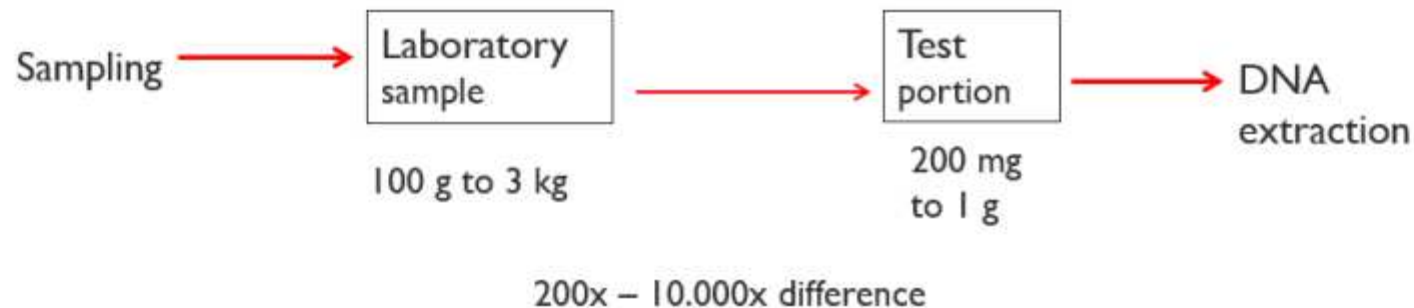
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## Pre-analytical steps – Particle size reduction and homogenisation

Sample preparation procedure is necessary:

- to achieve greater effectiveness of DNA extraction;
- to ensure homogeneity and the equal representation of GMOs in the sample.



It is necessary to avoid cross-contamination. Particle size reduction step is the step with the highest risk.

After grinding and/or homogenisation of the sample at least two test portions (at least 200 mg each, see CEN/ISO 21571:2005) is gained by dividing the analytical sample in a representative way.

## Pre-analytical steps - extraction

Several methods are available for DNA extraction that are suitable for different matrices. A procedure found to be suitable for DNA extraction of one kind of matrix may not be suitable for a different kind of matrix.

Each sample is extracted in at least two parallels.

Regardless the method used, quality controls are always included in extraction procedure. For each extraction series it is recommended to perform:

- environment control: possible environment contamination is checked. A tube with a volume of water equal to the elution volume of samples is opened during DNA extraction procedure;
- extraction blank control: negative control of extraction. All steps of DNA extraction are the same as for samples only that water is used instead of a sample.

## Pre-analytical steps - extraction

For some samples (e.g. cotton) additional DNA purification is needed for removal of components, that could influence (inhibit) PCR reaction, thus causing false negative result.

Extracted DNA should be of appropriate quantity and quality!

Quality and quantity can be assessed using various methods such as absorbance (optical density), agarose gel electrophoresis or the use of fluorescent DNA binding dyes. Methods have different requirements in terms of equipment needed, ease of use and calculations to be considered. Results between methods are not comparable.

Quality and quantity can also be assessed by analysing species specific gene using qPCR.



# Screening for LMOs

Broad screening for elements present in many LMOs including from different species.

screening



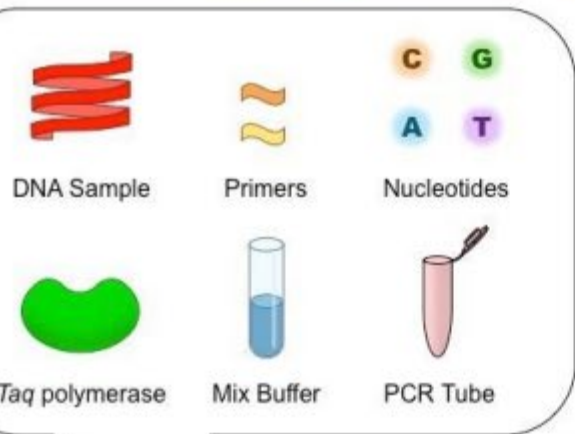
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More specific information

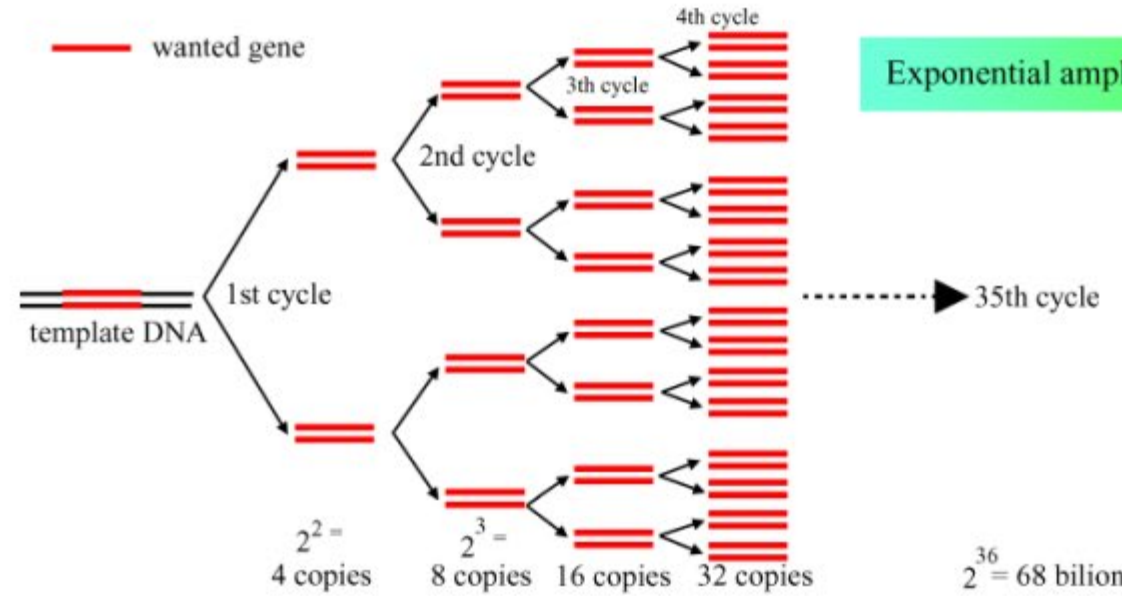
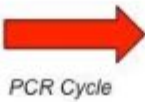
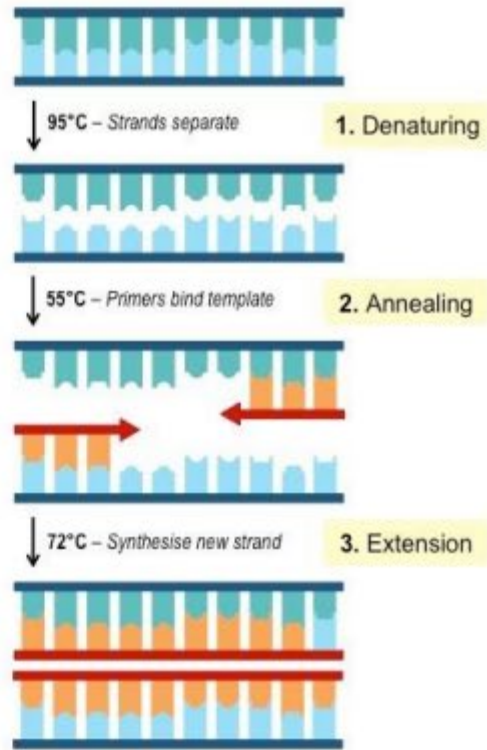
# Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

Enables detection of specific nucleic acid sequences (targets).

## PCR Components



## PCR Process (ONE Cycle)



Exponential amplification

(Andy Vierstraete 1999)

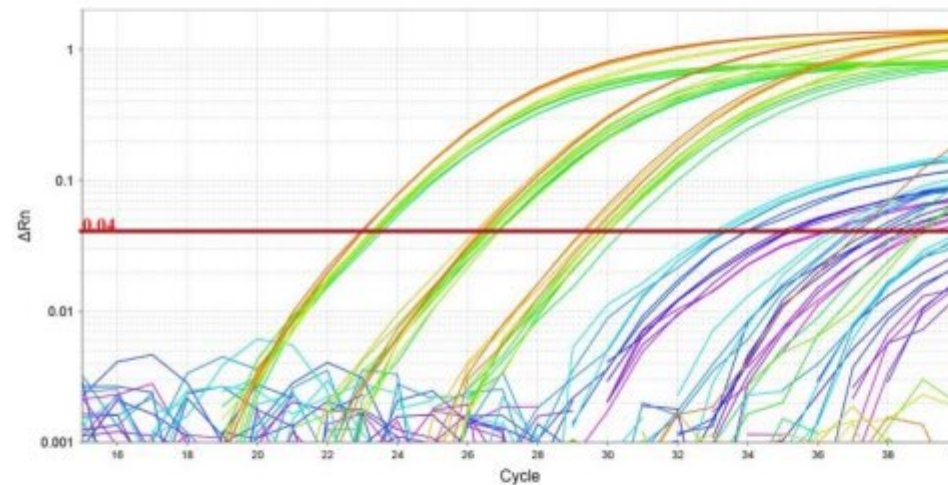
# Evolution of PCR

1983  
PCR



- endpoint results
- **qualitative** (target present or not present)

1996  
Real-time PCR (qPCR)



- results in real time (although point results - Cq values - are mainly used)
- **relative quantification** (e.g. compared to calibrant, compared to reference sample)

# Quality control

For PCR (targeted element):

Positive control (DNA extracted from CRM if possible or plasmid)

Negative control (water instead of DNA - no-template control, NTC)

For extraction (targeted element):

Negative extraction control

Control of environment

For quality control of extracted DNA (species specific gene)

For potential inhibition (dilutions of extracted DNA)

## Common screening elements

Confirmation of presence of genetic element(s) is indication of presence of LMOs in tested sample.  
The same genetic element can be present in different LMOs.

Examples of elements/constructs present in many LMOs:

- CaMV P-35s - Cauliflower mosaic virus promoter
- tNOS - nopaline synthase terminator from *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*
- ctp2-cp4-epsps - junction region between the chloroplast transit peptide 2 (CTP2) sequence from the *Arabidopsis thaliana* epsps gene and the CP4 epsps gene from *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* (CP4 EPSPS)
- bar - phosphinothricin N-acetyltransferase from bacterium *Streptomyces hygroscopicus*
- pat - phosphinothricin N-acetyltransferase from bacterium *Streptomyces viridochromogenes*
- Cry IAb – gene for insecticidal proteins produced by *Bacillus thuringiensis* during sporulation
- nptII – neomycin phosphotransferase that inactivates aminoglycoside antibiotics
- P-FMV - Figwort mosaic virus promoter

# An example for screening - plan

| Experiment ID |   | .ix0 |   | Pipets used          |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | DNA 1 B                 |                  |    |    | Plazmids C            |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|---------------|---|------|---|----------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|----|----|-----------------------|----|----|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------|----|----|----|
| Analyst:      |   |      |   | DNA 1 A              |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | manual (0.5uL-10uL)     |                  |    |    | manual (0.5uL-10uL)   |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               |   |      |   | manual 0.1uL-2.5uL   |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | manual (10uL-100uL)     |                  |    |    | manual (2.0uL-20uL)   |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               |   |      |   | manual 0.5uL-10uL    |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | multistep (0.2uL-10uL)  |                  |    |    | manual (10uL-100uL)   |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               |   |      |   | multistep 0.2uL-10uL |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | multistep (2.0uL-20uL)  |                  |    |    | manual (20uL-200uL)   |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               |   |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) |                  |    |    | manual (100uL-1000uL) |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
| TARGET:       |   | 1    | 2 | 3                    | 4 | 5                | 6                | 7                | 8                | 9                | 10               | 11                      | 12               | 13 | 14 | 15                    | 16 | 17 | 18              | 19              | 20             | 21   | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|               | A |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
| 5-plex        | B | NTC1 |   | ID491                |   | G222/23 -1<br>1x | G222/23 -2<br>1x | G223/23 -1<br>1x | G223/23 -2<br>1x | G224/23 -1<br>1x | G224/23 -2<br>1x | G225/23 -1<br>1x        | G225/23 -2<br>1x |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
| 5-plex        | C |      |   |                      |   | G226/23 -1<br>1x | G226/23 -2<br>1x | G227/23 -1<br>1x | G227/23 -2<br>1x | G236/23 -1<br>1x | G236/23 -2<br>1x |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
| 5-plex        | D |      |   |                      |   | G239/23 -1<br>1x | G239/23 -2<br>1x |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    | NK1<br>IZ076/23 | NK2<br>IZ076/23 | OE<br>IZ076/23 | NTC2 |    |    |    |
|               | E |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               | F |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               | G |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |
|               | H |      |   |                      |   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                         |                  |    |    |                       |    |    |                 |                 |                |      |    |    |    |

# An example for screening - results

CaMV P35s

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq    | Comment          |
|------|---------------|-------|------------------|
| B1   | NTC1          |       | NTC OK.          |
| D24  | NTC2          |       | NTC OK.          |
| B3   | ID491         | 32,42 | Pos. control OK. |
| B4   | ID491         | 32,56 | Pos. control OK. |
| D18  | NKI1 IZ076/23 |       | NKI1 OK.         |
| D19  | NKI1 IZ076/23 |       | NKI1 OK.         |
| D20  | NKI2 IZ076/23 |       | NKI2 OK.         |
| D21  | NKI2 IZ076/23 |       | NKI2 OK.         |
| D22  | OE IZ076/23   |       | OE OK.           |
| D23  | OE IZ076/23   |       | OE OK.           |

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq    | Comment  |
|------|---------------|-------|--|
| B6   | G222/23 -1 1x | 31,03 | pozitivno  |
| B7   | G222/23 -1 1x | 31,05 |  |
| B8   | G222/23 -2 1x | 31,53 |  |
| B9   | G222/23 -2 1x | 31,37 |  |
| B10  | G223/23 -1 1x |       | ni zaznano   |
| B11  | G223/23 -1 1x |       |  |
| B12  | G223/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| B13  | G223/23 -2 1x | 43,13 |  |
| B14  | G224/23 -1 1x | 36,7  | vprašljivo<br>info run, ker ponavljamo<br>izolacijo. |
| B15  | G224/23 -1 1x | 38,22 |  |
| B16  | G224/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| B17  | G224/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| B18  | G225/23 -1 1x |       | ni zaznano   |
| B19  | G225/23 -1 1x | 35,96 |  |
| B20  | G225/23 -2 1x | 42,46 |  |
| B21  | G225/23 -2 1x | 39,85 |  |
| C6   | G226/23 -1 1x |       | ni zaznano   |
| C7   | G226/23 -1 1x |       |  |
| C8   | G226/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| C9   | G226/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| C10  | G227/23 -1 1x |       | ni zaznano   |
| C11  | G227/23 -1 1x |       |  |
| C12  | G227/23 -2 1x |       |  |
| C13  | G227/23 -2 1x |       |  |

ctp2-cp4-epsps

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq    | Comment          |
|------|---------------|-------|------------------|
| B1   | NTC1          |       | NTC OK.          |
| D24  | NTC2          |       | NTC OK.          |
| B3   | ID491         | 31    | Pos. control OK. |
| B4   | ID491         | 30,73 | Pos. control OK. |
| D18  | NKI1 IZ076/23 |       | NKI1 OK.         |
| D19  | NKI1 IZ076/23 | 46,47 | NKI1 OK.         |
| D20  | NKI2 IZ076/23 |       | NKI2 OK.         |
| D21  | NKI2 IZ076/23 |       | NKI2 OK.         |
| D22  | OE IZ076/23   |       | OE OK.           |
| D23  | OE IZ076/23   |       | OE OK.           |

Last Cq is 39,5.

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq | Comment    |
|------|---------------|----|------------|
| B6   | G222/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| B7   | G222/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| B8   | G222/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B9   | G222/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B10  | G223/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| B11  | G223/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| B12  | G223/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B13  | G223/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B14  | G224/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| B15  | G224/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| B16  | G224/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B17  | G224/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B18  | G225/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| B19  | G225/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| B20  | G225/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| B21  | G225/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| C6   | G226/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| C7   | G226/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| C8   | G226/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| C9   | G226/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| C10  | G227/23 -1 1x |    | ni zaznano |
| C11  | G227/23 -1 1x |    |            |
| C12  | G227/23 -2 1x |    |            |
| C13  | G227/23 -2 1x |    |            |

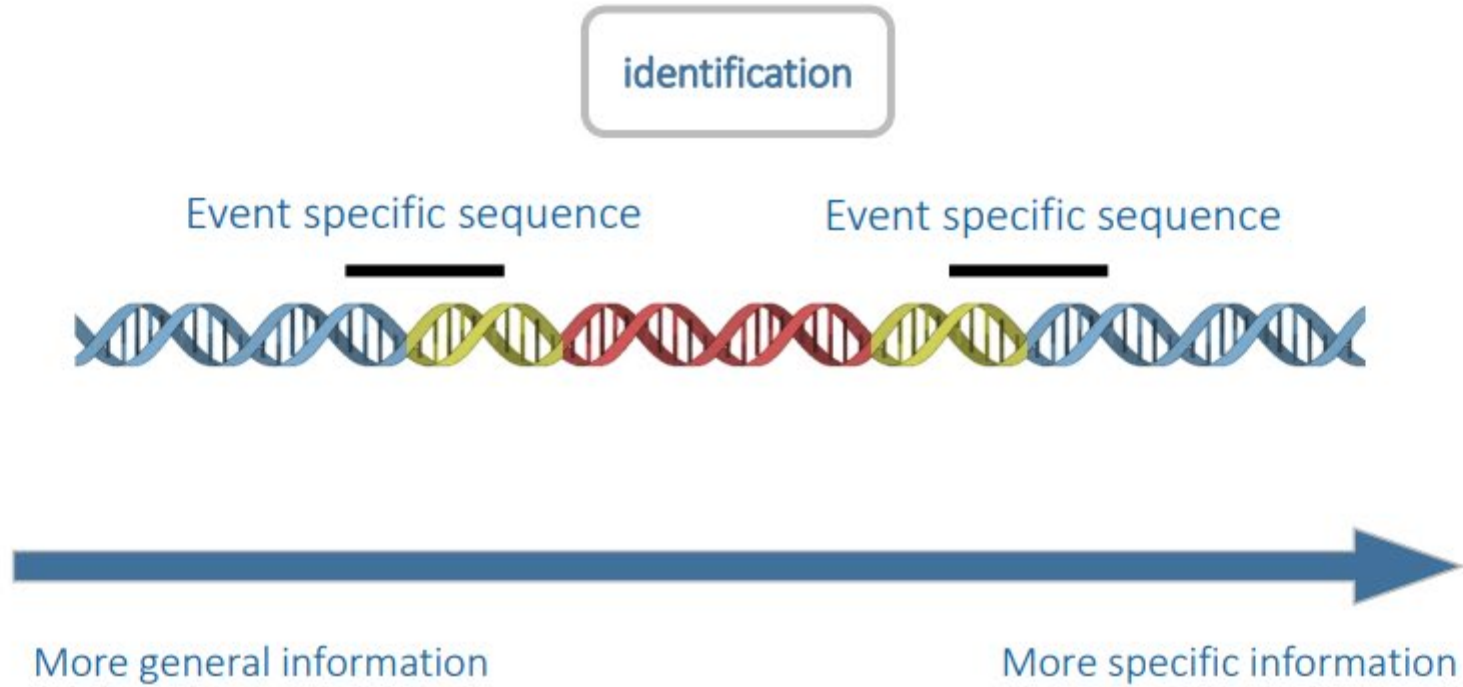
# An example for screening - results

| Well     | Sample Name   | p35S<br>Cq | tNOS<br>Cq | EPSPS<br>Cq | bar<br>Cq | pat<br>Cq |
|----------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| B1       | NTC1          | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| D24      | NTC2          | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B3       | ID491         | 32,42      | 32,01      | 31          | 32,42     | 32,46     |
| B4       | ID491         | 32,56      | 31,82      | 30,73       | 32,67     | 32,47     |
| D18      | NK11 IZ076/23 | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| D19      | NK11 IZ076/23 | /          | /          | 46,47       | /         | /         |
| D20      | NK12 IZ076/23 | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| D21      | NK12 IZ076/23 | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| D22      | OE IZ076/23   | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| D23      | OE IZ076/23   | /          | /          | /           | /         | 45,04     |
| Amplicon |               | p35S       | tNOS       | EPSPS       | bar       | pat       |
| Well     | Sample Name   | Cq         | Cq         | Cq          | Cq        | Cq        |
| B6       | G222/23 -1 1x | 31,03      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B7       | G222/23 -1 1x | 31,05      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B8       | G222/23 -2 1x | 31,53      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B9       | G222/23 -2 1x | 31,37      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B10      | G223/23 -1 1x | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B11      | G223/23 -1 1x | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B12      | G223/23 -2 1x | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B13      | G223/23 -2 1x | 43,13      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B14      | G224/23 -1 1x | 36,7       | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B15      | G224/23 -1 1x | 38,22      | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B16      | G224/23 -2 1x | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B17      | G224/23 -2 1x | /          | /          | /           | /         | /         |
| B18      | G225/23 -1 1x | /          | 34,67      | /           | /         | /         |
| B19      | G225/23 -1 1x | 35,96      | 35,24      | /           | /         | /         |
| B20      | G225/23 -2 1x | 42,46      | 35,32      | /           | /         | /         |
| B21      | G225/23 -2 1x | 39,85      | 35,64      | /           | /         | /         |





# Identification of LMOs



Based on results of screening some LMOs can be excluded. This can decrease time and costs of testing.

Sample should be tested for all LMOs that can be potentially present (based on results of screening).  
Was enough DNA extracted?

Quality control:

Only for PCR (targeted element):

- Positive control (CRM if possible)

- Negative control (no-template control, NTC)

- Dilutions of DNA – if needed

# GMO-Matrix

(<https://gmo-crl.jrc.ec.europa.eu/jrcgmmatrix/matrices/full>)


## GMO-Matrix

### 1) Select GMO(s) \*

By taxon(s)

Specific GMO(s)

### 2) Select legal status

Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 

- Authorised events
- Events in authorised stacks
- Pending events
- Expired events
- Withdrawn events
- Unauthorised events

Directive 2001/18/EC 

- Authorised events
- Pending events
- Withdrawn events

### 3) Select method(s) \*

Event-specific

Construct-specific

Element-specific

\* required field

Show

Cancel

Export as CSV

## GMO-Matrix

### 1) Select GMO(s) \*

By taxon(s)

× Rapeseed (Brassica napus)

Specific GMO(s)

### 2) Select legal status

Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 

- Authorised events
- Events in authorised stacks
- Pending events
- Expired events
- Withdrawn events
- Unauthorised events

Directive 2001/18/EC 

- Authorised events
- Pending events
- Withdrawn events

### 3) Select method(s) \*

Event-specific

Construct-specific

Element-specific

× bar (QL-ELE-00-014)

× CaMV P-35S (QL-ELE-00-001)

\* required field

Show

Cancel

Export as CSV

### Authorised events

73496 Rapeseed (DP-073496-4) 

GT73 Rapeseed (MON-00073-7) 

MON 88302 Rapeseed (MON-88302-9) 

MON 94100 Rapeseed (MON-94100-2) 

T45 Rapeseed (ACS-BN008-2) 

### Events in authorised stacks

MS8 Rapeseed (ACS-BN005-3) 

RF3 Rapeseed (ACS-BN003-6) 

bar (QL-ELE-00-014)

CaMV P-35S (QL-ELE-00-001)

|                                  |   |   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| 73496 Rapeseed (DP-073496-4)     | 0 | 0 |
| GT73 Rapeseed (MON-00073-7)      | 0 | 0 |
| MON 88302 Rapeseed (MON-88302-9) | 0 | 0 |
| MON 94100 Rapeseed (MON-94100-2) | 0 | 0 |
| T45 Rapeseed (ACS-BN008-2)       | 0 | 2 |
| MS8 Rapeseed (ACS-BN005-3)       | 2 | 0 |
| RF3 Rapeseed (ACS-BN003-6)       | 2 | 0 |

If both, CAMV P35s and bar are present four lines can be excluded and three lines of LMO rapeseed could be present. This should be confirmed through analysis.

# In-house screening matrix

Laboratories can build their in-house screening matrix based on tested species and available methods

| Event (Unique identifier)              | Species      | 02G-Pos47 | 02G-Pos15      | 02G-Pos35      | 02G-Pos58  | 02G-Pos59 | 02G-Pos65      |      |      |     |     |
|--|--------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|------------|-----------|----------------|------|------|-----|-----|
|  |              | P35S      | tNOS           | P35S:: bar     | P35S-HSP70 | P35S-PAT  | CTP2-CP4-EPSPS | tNOS | P35S | bar | pat |
| <b>GT73</b><br>(MON-ØØØ73-7)           | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | 0              | 0          | 0         | 1              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>T45</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ8-2)            | oilseed rape | 1         | 1 <sup>b</sup> | 1 <sup>b</sup> | 0          | 1         | 0              | 0    | 1    | 0   | 1   |
| <b>Topas 19/2</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ7-1)     | oilseed rape | 1         | 0              | 0              | 0          | 1         | 0              | 0    | 1    | 0   | 1   |
| <b>DPØ73496</b><br>(DP-Ø73496-4)       | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | 0              | 0          | 0         | 0              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>Ms11</b> (BCS)<br>BNØ12-7)          | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | NR             | NR         | NR        | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>MON94100</b><br>(MON-941ØØ-2)       | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | 0              | 0          | 0         | 0              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>OXY-235</b><br>(ACS-BNØ11-5)        | oilseed rape | 1         | 1              | NR             | NR         | NR        | 0              | 1    | 1    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>MON88032</b><br>(MON-88302-9)       | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | NR             | NR         | 0         | 1              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>MS1</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ4-7)            | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | NR             | NR         | 0         | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>Rf1</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ1-4)            | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | NR             | NR         | 0         | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>Rf2</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ2-5)            | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | NR             | NR         | 0         | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>MS8</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ5-8)            | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | 1              | 0          | 0         | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>RF3</b><br>(ACS-BNØØ3-6)            | oilseed rape | 0         | 1              | 1              | 0          | 0         | 0              | 1    | 0    | 1   | 0   |
| <b>LBFLFK Lokus 1</b><br>(BPS-BFLFK-2) | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | NR             | NR         | NR        | 0              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |
| <b>LBFLFK Lokus 2</b><br>(BPS-BFLFK-2) | oilseed rape | 0         | 0              | NR             | NR         | NR        | 0              | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0   |

# An example for identification - plan

| Experiment ID | .ixc | Pipets used        |                          | DNA 1 B                |                          |                         |                          | Plazmids C              |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
|---------------|------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
|               |      |                    |                          | manual (0.5uL-10uL)    | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (0.5uL-10uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (10uL-100uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (10uL-100uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (20uL-200uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (20uL-200uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (100uL-1000uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| Analyst:      |      | DNA 1 A            |                          |                        |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
|               |      | manual 0.1uL-2.5uL | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (0.2uL-10uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (10uL-100uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (10uL-100uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (20uL-200uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (20uL-200uL)     | <input type="checkbox"/> | manual (100uL-1000uL)   | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
|               |      | manual 0.5uL-10uL  | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (2.0uL-20uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> | multistep (5.0uL-120uL) | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| TARGET:       |      | 1                  | 2                        | 3                      | 4                        | 5                       | 6                        | 7                       | 8                        | 9                       | 10                       | 11                      | 12                       | 13                      | 14                       | 15                    | 16                       | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24   |
|               | A    |                    |                          |                        |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| DAS40278      | B    | NTC1               |                          | ID651                  |                          | G221/23 -1<br>1x        | G221/23 -2<br>1x         | G225/23 -1<br>1x        | G225/23 -2<br>1x         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| DAS40278      | C    |                    |                          |                        |                          | G228/23 -1<br>1x        | G228/23 -2<br>1x         | G229/23 -1<br>1x        | G229/23 -2<br>1x         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| DAS40278      | D    |                    |                          |                        |                          | G230/23 -1<br>1x        | G230/23 -2<br>1x         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | NTC2 |
|               | E    |                    |                          |                        |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| 73496-4       | F    | NTC1               |                          | PK                     |                          | G222/23 -1<br>1x        | G222/23 -2<br>1x         | G223/23 -1<br>1x        | G223/23 -2<br>1x         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |
| 73496-4       | G    |                    |                          |                        |                          | G226/23 -1<br>1x        | G226/23 -2<br>1x         | G227/23 -1<br>1x        | G227/23 -2<br>1x         | G239/23 -1<br>1x        | G239/23 -2<br>1x         |                         |                          |                         |                          |                       |                          |    |    |    |    |    |    |    | NTC2 |

Maize DAS40278 (DAS-40278-9) and oilseed rape 73496-4 (DP-073496-4) do not contain any screening elements used in our laboratory. They should always be tested.

384 well plate, 10 µL reactions

## An example for identification - result

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq           | Comment         |
|------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| B1   | NTC1          | Undetermined | NTC OK.         |
| D24  | NTC2          | Undetermined | NTC OK.         |
| B3   | ID651         | 31,65803939  | Pos.control OK. |
| B4   | ID651         | 31,46042856  | Pos.control OK. |
| B6   | G221/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| B7   | G221/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| B8   | G221/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| B9   | G221/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| B10  | G225/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| B11  | G225/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| B12  | G225/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| B13  | G225/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C6   | G228/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| C7   | G228/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C8   | G228/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C9   | G228/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C10  | G229/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| C11  | G229/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C12  | G229/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| C13  | G229/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| D6   | G230/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| D7   | G230/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| D8   | G230/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| D9   | G230/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |

DAS40278 (DAS-40278-9) in maize samples.

| Well | Sample Name   | Cq           | Comment         |
|------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| F1   | NTC1          | Undetermined | NTC OK.         |
| G24  | NTC2          | Undetermined | NTC OK.         |
| F3   | PK            | 26,40724731  | Pos.control OK. |
| F4   | PK            | 26,32239206  | Pos.control OK. |
| F6   | G222/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| F7   | G222/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F8   | G222/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F9   | G222/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F10  | G223/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| F11  | G223/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F12  | G223/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F13  | G223/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F14  | G224/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| F15  | G224/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F16  | G224/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| F17  | G224/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G6   | G226/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| G7   | G226/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G8   | G226/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G9   | G226/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G10  | G227/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| G11  | G227/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G12  | G227/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G13  | G227/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G14  | G239/23 -1 1x | Undetermined | ni zaznano      |
| G15  | G239/23 -1 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G16  | G239/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |
| G17  | G239/23 -2 1x | Undetermined |                 |

73496-4 (DP-073496-4) in oilseed rape samples.

## Pre-prepared plates for identification

As the number of LMOs is increasing number of tests following screening is also increasing.

In addition number of LMOs without common screening elements is increasing.

To maintain analysis time and cost efficient, pre-prepared plates were introduced.....



|              |   | MON87701     | DP-305423-1  | CV127        | MON87769     | MON87708     | MON87751     | MON40-3-2    | DP356043     | MON89798     | GMB151       | MON87705     | A2704-12     | A5547-127    | FG72         | DAS68416     | DAS44406     | DAS81419     | SYHT0H2      |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|----|----|----|----|----|-----------|--|
|              |   | 1            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            | 6            | 7            | 8            | 9            | 10           | 11           | 12           | 13           | 14           | 15           | 16           | 17           | 18           | 19       | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | Določanje |  |
| NTC1         | A | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
| poz. control | B | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
| Sample1      | C | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | D | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1 |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
| Sample2      | E | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | F | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2 |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | G |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | H |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | I |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | J |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | K |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | L |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | M |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
|              | N |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
| poz. control | O | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |
| NTC2         | P | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         |          |    |    |    |    |    |           |  |

|              |   | DAS40278     | MON810       | MON87403     | GA21         | MIR604       | MIR162       | 5307         | MON88034     | MON87460     | MON87411     | NK603        | MON88017     | MON87427     | DAS1507      | DAS59122     | DP4114       | T25          | BT11         | MZHG0JG      | MZIR098      | 3272         | MON863       | BT176        |              |              |          |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
|              |   | 1            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            | 6            | 7            | 8            | 9            | 10           | 11           | 12           | 13           | 14           | 15           | 16           | 17           | 18           | 19           | 20           | 21           | 22           | 23           | 24           |              |          |
| NTC1         | A | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         | NTC1         |              |          |
| poz. control | B | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control | poz. control |          |
| Sample 1     | C | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     |          |
|              | D | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1     | Sample 1 |
| Sample 2     | E | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     |          |
|              | F | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2     | Sample 2 |
|              | G |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
|              | H |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
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|              | J |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
|              | K |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
|              | L |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
|              | M |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
|              | N |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |          |
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| NTC2         | P | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         | NTC2         |          |



## Development and Validation of Duplex, Triplex, and Pentaplex Real-Time PCR Screening Assays for the Detection of Genetically Modified Organisms in Food and Feed

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### Critical points of DNA quantification by real-time PCR – effects of DNA extraction method and sample matrix on quantification of genetically modified organisms

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