



SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION TO ISO/IEC 17025:2017

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BIOLOGICAL

Valid To: April 30, 2026

Certificate Number: 1698.26

In recognition of the successful completion of the A2LA evaluation process (including an assessment of the laboratory's compliance with the A2LA Food Testing Program Requirements, containing the 2018 "AOAC International Guidelines for Laboratories Performing Microbiological and Chemical Analyses of Foods, Dietary Supplements and Pharmaceuticals"), accreditation is granted to this laboratory to perform the following tests on foods, beverages, feeds, pet food, bread, butter, cheese, cocoa, eggs, seafood, fruits, mayonnaise, dressings, ice cream, meat, oils, milk, nuts, spices, sugars, vegetables, water, and environmental swabs:

Quantitative Test Method	FSNS Method(s)	Reference Method(s)
3M Petrifilm	1.3 (6595)	AOAC 986.33, 989.10, 990.12 USDA MLG Chapter 3 (Aerobic Plate Count)
	1.5 (6597)	AOAC 2015.13 (Rapid Aerobic Plate Count)
	1.14 (6590)	AOAC PTM 041701 (Lactic Acid Bacteria)
	4.3 (6612)	AOAC 997.02 (Yeast and Mold)
	4.6 (6613)	AOAC 2014.05 (Rapid Yeast and Mold)
	6.4 (6622), 7.4 (7849)	AOAC 991.14, 986.33, 989.10, 998.08, 966.24, USDA MLG Chapter 3 (<i>Escherichia coli</i> and Coliform)
	11.3 (7854)	AOAC 2003.07, 2003.08, 2003.11 (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>)
	25.1 (8722)	AOAC 2003.01 (Enterobacteriaceae)
APHA (SMEDP/SMEWW)	1.7 (6599)	APHA (SMEWW) Chapter 9-9215 (Heterotrophic Plate Count)
	7.2 (7811)	APHA (SMEWW) Chapter 9-9221 (<i>E. coli</i> and Fecal Coliform Count MPN)



Qualitative Platform	FSNS Method	Reference Method(s)
Cultural Confirmation	13.1 (7859)	FDA-BAM Chapter 5 (<i>Salmonella</i> spp.)
	14.1 (7861)	FDA-BAM Chapter 10 (<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>)
ELFA (VIDAS) Analysis	32.2 (10058)	AOAC 2011.03 (EZ <i>Salmonella</i> spp.)
	32.3 (10058)	AOAC 2013.01 (<i>Salmonella</i> spp. UP)
	34.1 (10058)	AOAC 2004.06, AOAC-RI 981202 (<i>Listeria</i> spp.)
	34.3 (10058)	AOAC 2013.10 (<i>Listeria</i> spp. UP)
FDA-BAM	5.1 (6616)	FDA-BAM Chapter 14 (<i>B. cereus</i>)
	11.1 (7853)	FDA-BAM Chapter 12 (<i>S. aureus</i>)
Gene-Up	13.23 (10056)	AOAC-RI 121802 (<i>Salmonella</i> 2)
	14.22 (10056)	AOAC-RI 121803 (<i>Listeria</i> spp. 2)
PCR-BAX Analysis	12.8 (10049)	AOAC-RI 091301, USDA MLG Chapter 5 (Non <i>E. coli</i> O157 STEC RT)
	12.10 (10049)	AOAC-RI 031002, USDA MLG Chapter 5 (<i>E. coli</i> O157:H7 RT)
	12.17 (10049)	AOAC-RI 102003, USDA MLG Chapter 5 (<i>E. coli</i> O157:H7 RT Exact)
	13.18 (10049)	AOAC 2003.09, AOAC-RI 100201, USDA MLG Chapter 4 (<i>Salmonella</i> spp. 2)
	13.19(10049)	AOAC 2013.02, AOAC RI 081201, USDA MLG Chapter 4 (<i>Salmonella</i> spp. RT)
	14.16 (10049)	AOAC-RI 121402 (<i>L. monocytogenes</i> RT)
	14.17 (10049)	AOAC-RI 081401 (<i>Listeria</i> spp. RT)
	14.9 (10049)	AOAC-RI 030502 (<i>Listeria</i> spp.)

KEY:

APHA = American Public Health Association

AOAC = Association of Official Analytical Chemists International

AOAC-RI = Association of Official Analytical Chemists International – Research Institute

FDA-BAM = Food and Drug Administration – Bacteriological Analytical Manual

USDA MLG = United States Department of Agriculture – Microbiological Laboratory Guidebook

SMEDP = Standard Methods for the Examination of Dairy Products

SMEWW = Standard Methods for the Examination of Waste Water



Accredited Laboratory

A2LA has accredited

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Plymouth, MN

for technical competence in the field of

Biological Testing

This laboratory is accredited in accordance with the recognized International Standard ISO/IEC 17025:2017 *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*. This laboratory also meets the requirements of A2LA R204 – *Specific Requirements – Food and Pharmaceutical Testing Laboratory Accreditation Program*. This accreditation demonstrates technical competence for a defined scope and the operation of a laboratory quality management system (refer to joint ISO-ILAC-IAF Communiqué dated April 2017).



Presented this 5th day of September 2024

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Trace McInturff, Vice President, Accreditation Services
For the Accreditation Council
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For the tests to which this accreditation applies, please refer to the laboratory's Biological Scope of Accreditation.