

# ISO 161654:2001 Validation Study

Update and further steps

# M/381 Mandate

- Launched in 2006
- Re-launched in 2007
- Projects approved in 2008
- Funds released in 2011
- Study carried out in 2012
- Report in 2013
- **TWO YEARS EARLIER THAN THE DEADLINE!!!**

*Escherichia coli* O157.  
Påvisning i levnedsmidler og  
foder.

Denne NMKL-metode er kollaborativt valideret for levnedsmidler i en metodeafprøvning.

1. FORMÅL OG ANVENDELSESOMRÅDE

Denne metode omhandler kvalitativ bestemmelse af *E. coli* O157 i levnedsmidler og foder.

2. DEFINITIONER

*E. coli* er en fakultativt anaerob Gram-negativ stav tilhørende familien *Enterobacteriaceae*. *E. coli* er katalase-positiv, oxidase-negativ, indol-positiv, reducerer nitrat og danner luft ud fra glukose.

Hos den typiske patogene *E. coli* O157 kan flagel antigenet H7 være tilstede eller mangle (H-). Bakterien er sorbitol-negativ indenfor 24 timer efter udstrykning samt glucuronidase-negativ. Sorbitolpositive varianter er beskrevet. Bakterien er enterohemolysin-positiv på vaskede fårebloodsceller. Patogene stammer indeholder et stort plasmid som bærer gener, der er associeret med virulens (EHEC plasmid). Patogene varianter er i besiddelse af shigatoksingenerne *stx1* og/eller *stx2* (også benævnt *vt1* og *vt2*) og gener (*eae*), der koder for adhæsion til tarmepitheliet.

3. REFERENCER

3.1 NMKL Nr. 91, 4. udg. 2002: Prøveudtagning og forbehandling af levnedsmidler og foderstoffer til kvantitativ mikrobiologisk undersøgelse.

3.2 NMKL Nr. 5, 2 udg. 1994: Handleddning i kvalitetssikring for mikrobiologiske laboratorier.

3.3 NMKL Nr. 19, 1998: Harmonisering af mikrobiologiske metoder.

*Escherichia coli* O157.  
Detection in food and feeding  
stuffs.

This NMKL method is validated for food in a collaborative study.

1. SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This procedure describes the qualitative determination of *E. coli* O157 in food and feeding stuffs.

2. DEFINITIONS

*E. coli* is a facultative anaerobic Gram-negative rod belonging to the family *Enterobacteriaceae*. *E. coli* is catalase-positive, oxidase-negative, indole-positive, reduces nitrate and produces gas from glucose.

The typical pathogenic *E. coli* O157 strains either express the flagella antigen H7 or lack flagella antigen (H-), are sorbitol-negative within 24 hours after plating, and are glucuronidase negative. Sorbitol-positive strains have been described. The bacteria are enterohemolysin-positive on washed sheep erythrocytes. Pathogenic strains contain a large plasmid harboring genes associated with virulence (EHEC plasmid). Pathogenic strains harbor the shigatoxin genes *stx1* and/or *stx2* (also named *vt1* and *vt2*) and carry genes (*eae*) coding for adhesion to the intestinal epithelium.

3. REFERENCES

3.1 NMKL No. 91, 4 ed. 2002: Sampling and pre-treatment of foods and animal feedstuffs, for quantitative microbiological examination.

3.2 NMKL No. 5, 2 ed. 1994: Quality Assurance Guidelines for microbiological laboratories.

3.3 NMKL No. 19, 1998: Harmonization of microbiological methods (available in Finnish and

# Design of the study

- In 2006 CEN requested to WG6 to assess the equivalence between the ISO 16654 and the NMKL method No 164, 2. Ed. 2005
- NMKL method No 164 validated in a collaborative study in 2002
- Project for validation in mandate M/381 included a reduced study as agreed by CEN in 2007 in Cairo (only one epidemiologically relevant matrix )

# Mandate M/381 study

Samples E.coli O157	
number of labs	15
stam	E.coli O157 NCCB 100282
method for homogeneity testing	ISO 16654
media	CT-SMAC
incubation	24h 37°C
matrix	milk
volume	10 ml
labelling	sample 1 to 24 coded ad random

blanco	120 sample code	3	4	5	8	12	13	14	24
low level (10-50 cfu/ml)	120 sample code	1	9	15	16	17	19	20	23
high level (100-500 cfu/ml)	120 sample code	2	6	7	10	11	18	21	22

Homogeneity testing	10x	low level (sample codes)	1	9	15	16	17	19	20	23	1	9
	10x	high level (sample codes)	2	6	7	10	11	18	21	22	2	6
blanco testing	10x	blanco (sample codes)	3	4	5	8	12	13	14	24	3	4

**Samples stable for one year @-20°C!**

# Mandate M/381 Results

		L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	L6	L7	L8	L9	L10	L11	L12	L13	L14	L15
<i>expected</i>	<i>Sample</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Result</i>
L	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
O	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
O	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
L	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
H	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
L	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
O	24	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0

# Mandate M/381 Next steps

- Meeting of the PLs of the Mandate next week in Brussels
- Meeting with the participant labs early next year
- Design the report based on the study
- Combine report of the study with that from the NMKL validation
- Present to the commission within 2013 year  
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