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Subject: NF VALIDATION mark

bioMérieux
Mr Jean-Louis PITTET
Chemin de l'Orme
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FRANCE

La Plaine Saint-Denis, May 17th, 2018

Dear Sir,

Following the positive agreement expressed on May 17th, 2018, by the Technical Board of the NF VALIDATION mark (NF102), in its application to the food industry, I beg to inform you that the **NF VALIDATION certification has been renewed** for the following alternative method:

VIDAS® *Salmonella* (SLM)

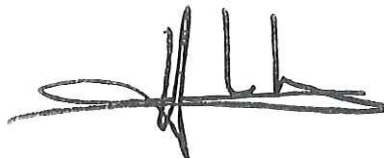
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Certificate reference No. BIO 12/10-09/02, with end of validity 18th-September-2022

The alternative method has been validated for the detection of *Salmonella* in all human food products (by performing validation assays on a broad range of foods) and pet food, by comparison to the reference method NF EN ISO 6579-1 (2017) and following the validation protocol NF EN ISO 16140-2 (2016). This study also allowed to validate new protocols (375g) for "cocoas and chocolates" and "milk powders".

A further letter will mention full conclusions and possible reservations made by the Technical Board. If reservations are mentioned, I ask you to take them into account without any delay.

Yours Sincerely.



Managing Director
Franck LEBEUGLE





Validation of alternative analysis methods

NF102 – Application to the food industry

Certificate

Certificate No.: **BIO 12/10-09/02**

Renewal decision dated: 03-07-2014

Expiry date: 18-09-2018

The Company:

bioMérieux

Chemin de l'Orme

69280 Marcy l'Etoile - France

Is authorized to affix the NF VALIDATION mark on the alternative analysis method cited below, in accordance with the NF VALIDATION general rules and the certification rules NF102 - Validation of alternative analysis methods (Application to the food industry):

VIDAS[®] Salmonella (SLM) **Single selective enrichment**

Validated for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.

Technical sheet
reference's

Ref. 30 702 – 06984 version X

This decision attests that the alternative analysis method has been assessed by AFNOR Certification and found to conform to the standards cited in page 2/2 and complementary requirements, as specified in the certification reference document. The principal certified characteristics are the "analytical performances" as defined in the associated validation study summarized report (sensitivity, relative detection level ...), available on the certification dedicated website <http://nf-validation.afnor.org/en>.

This certificate supersedes all previous certificates (last version dated 22-06-2017). This NF VALIDATION certificate, included 2 pages, is valid until **18th September 2018**. It is subject to the results obtained upon regular controls carried out by AFNOR Certification. Appropriate decision is made by AFNOR Certification in accordance with the NF VALIDATION general rules and certification rules NF102 - Validation of alternative analysis methods (Application to the food industry).



Managing Director
Franck LEBEUGLE

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NF102 – Application to the food industry

Certificate

Certificate No.: **BIO 12/10-09/02**

Renewal decision dated: 03-07-2014

Expiry date: 18-09-2018

The alternative analysis method:

VIDAS[®] Salmonella (SLM) **Single selective enrichment**

Validated for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.

Manufactured by:

bioMérieux
Chemin de l'Orme
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Has been certified according to the reference documents and the application scope specified here after:

Validation protocol	NF EN ISO 16140 (October 2003): Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs. Protocol for the validation of alternative methods.
Reference method(s)	NF EN ISO 6579 (December 2002): Microbiology of food and animal feedings stuffs. Horizontal method for the detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp.
Scope	All human food products and Pet food.
Restriction(s)	None.
Warning	None.
Other informations	The scope includes the use of the following softwares: VIDAS versions 4.7 and 4.8, and MiniVIDAS version 5.6.

Please send any queries concerning the performances of the certified alternative method to AFNOR Certification.

You may download the validation study summarized report on <http://nf-validation.afnor.org/en>.