



Validation of alternative
analysis methods

NF102 – Application to the food industry

Certificate

Certificate No.: **EGS 38/01-03/15**

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The Company:

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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):

BACGene *Salmonella* spp.

Validated for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.

Technical sheet
reference's

BACGene_Salmonella_spp_5123221801_10-11_ V5.1

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 level of detection, inclusivity and exclusivity) available on the certification dedicated website <http://nf-validation.org/en>.

This certificate supersedes all previous certificates (last version dated 21-01-2025). This NF VALIDATION certificate, included 2 pages, is valid until **March 26th, 2027**. 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).



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Has been certified according to the reference documents and the application scope specified here after:

Validation protocol **NF EN ISO 16140-2** (September 2016): Microbiology of the food chain. Method validation - Part 2: Protocol for the validation of alternative (proprietary) methods against a reference method.

Reference method(s) **NF EN ISO 6579-1** (April 2017) **and its amendment A1** (March 2020): Microbiology of the food chain- Horizontal method for the detection, enumeration and serotyping of *Salmonella* - Part 1: Detection of *Salmonella* spp. - Amendment 1: Extension of the incubation temperature range, amendment of the status of Annex D and correction of the composition of MSRV and SC media.

Scope All human food products (by performing validation assays on a broad range of foods), feed products pet food (25 g et 375 g) and animal feed (25 g), industrial environmental samples, milk powders, infant formula with and without probiotics (375 g), heat-processed milk and dairy products (375 g).

Restriction(s) The PRERaser protocol is validated for the analysis of heat-treated milk and milk products (375g) and samples from the industrial production environment.

Warning None.

Other information The scope includes manual and automated workflows using the OT2 automation in combination with PCR instruments: Agilent AriaMx™, Bio-Rad CFX96 Touch (Standard and Deep Well) and CFX Opus 96 (Standard and Deep Well), and analysis software: Evaluation Sheet, Fast Finder and PURE.

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>.