

INTERLABORATORY COMPARISONS FOR VIRUS DETECTION IN FOOD (PT 83a)

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Presentation of BIPEA







Organisation of Interlaboratory comparisons by BIPEA



Preparation and dispatching of samples



Preparation of the online reply forms



Laboratory analyses



Dispatching of report by e-mail to the laboratories



Statistical treatment and establishment of inter-laboratory comparison report



Entering and sending results



Manufacturing of samples contaminated with viruses





Preparation of strawberry matrix







Weighing 24 g of frozen strawberries per sample



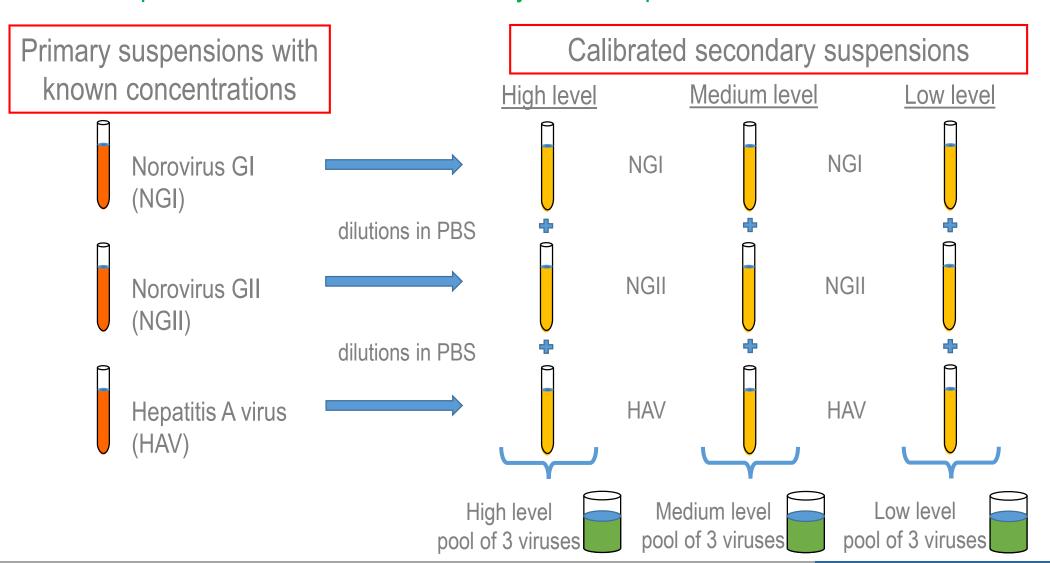


Bags of strawberries are returned to the freezer until their inoculation





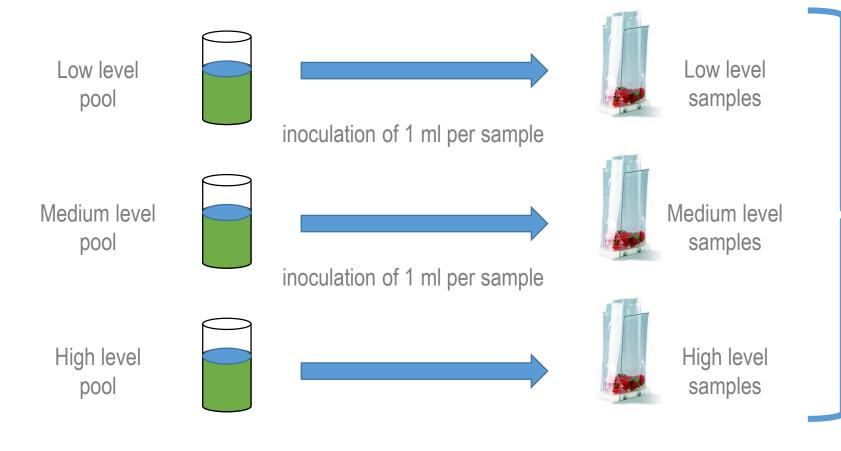
Preparation of calibrated secondary virus suspensions







Samples inoculation





Contaminated bags of strawberries are returned to the freezer until their shipment in frozen package

Interlaboratory comparisons for virus detection in food





PT 83a - Virus detection in food

- Proficiency testing scheme created in 2017
- 1 round per annual series (January)
- Time for analysis is 4 to 5 weeks
- Analytes: Norovirus GI, Norovirus GII and Hepatitis A viruses
- Concentration ranges:
 - Level 0 : negative
 - Low level: 100 500 genome copies / 25g
 - Medium level : 1000 2500 genome copies / 25g
 - High level: 5000 7500 genome copies / 25g
- Expression of results:
 - Qualitative and quantitative
 - Expressed as genome copies/g : quantitative determination
 - Expressed as detected / non detected: qualitative determination

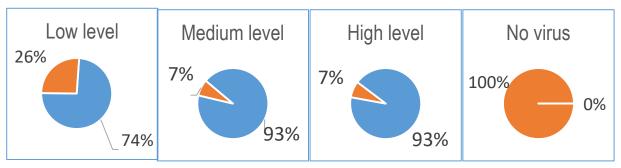
Test of January 2019

- 34 participants from Europe, Africa and America
- Matrix: Strawberry
- Shipping date: 28/01/2019
- Submission deadline: 06/03/2019
- Report: 20/03/2019

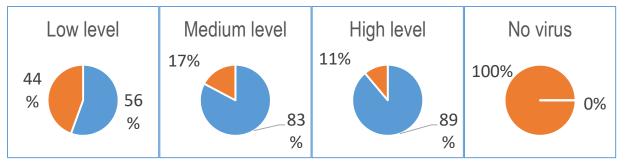


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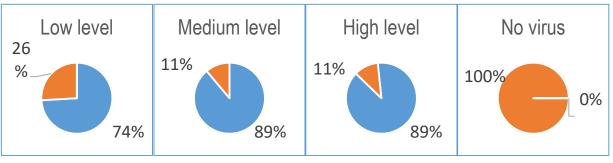
Qualitative results for Norovirus GI



Qualitative results for Norovirus GII



Qualitative results for Hepatite A



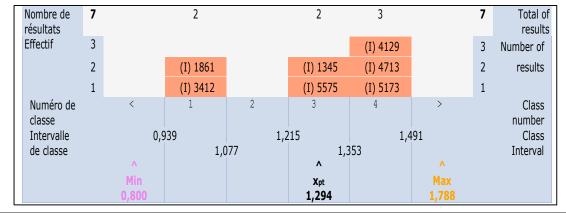
Non Detected

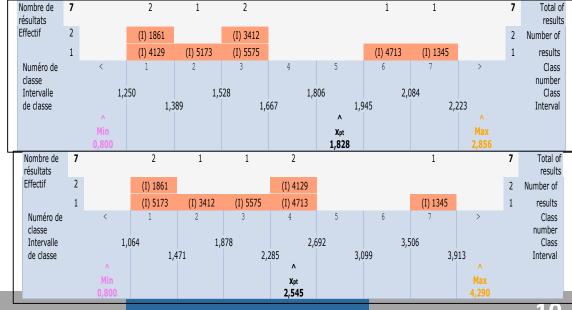
Detected

No assigned value for Norovirus GI and GII

Quantitative results for Hepatite A in log(genome copies/g)

Informative assigned and tolerance values







Test of January 2019: 34 participants

Performance assessment of the qualitative results

| Parameters | Definition | Interpretation | Considered satisfactory if |
|---|---|--|----------------------------|
| Specificity rate r _{SP} (%) | Number of negative results found divided by the total expected negative samples | Global relative overview for each laboratory to find the negative samples of the test. | = 100 % |
| Sensibility rate r _{SE} (%) | Number of positive results found divided by the total expected positive samples | Global relative overview for each laboratory to find the positive samples of the test. | > 66 % |
| Relative accuracy r _{AC} (%) | Number of true negative and positive results found, divided by the total analysed samples | Global relative overview for each laboratory to find the right conclusion for the samples of the test. | ≥ 75 % |

Mean performance of all the participants

| Viruses | mean r _{SP} (%) | mean r _{SE} (%) | mean r _{AC} (%) |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Norovirus GI | 100 | 83 | 88 |
| Norovirus GII | 100 | 74 | 81 |
| Hepatitis A | 100 | 80 | 86 |

Overall good qualitative results

but still need improvement of the analytical performance in quantitative analysis



Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

