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The growing problem of food fraud: Next Generation Sequencing to detect and identify species

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### Food Fraud

• Food fraud is the act of purposely altering, misrepresenting, mislabeling, substituting or tampering with any food product at any point along the farm-to-table food supply-chain.



 Fraud can occur in the raw material, in an ingredient, in the final product or in the food's packaging

http://www.myfoodtrust.com/2018/02/12/food-fraud-whats-really-in-your-food/



### Food Risks





### Evolution Food Fraud in Europe



https://www.focos-food.com/the-evolution-of-food-fraud-in-europe/



### Why Care About Food Authenticity and Fraud?

- In 2014 the Grocery Manufacturers Association (GMA) estimated that fraud cost the global food industry \$10-\$15 billion a year, (economic losses) with 10% of all commercially sold food products affected<sup>1,2</sup>
- Fraud resulting in a food safety or <u>public health</u> risk event could have significant financial or public relations consequences for the food industry or company
- Food fraud can tarnish the <u>reputation</u> of the food manufacturer or contract testing laboratory



<sup>1</sup> GMA, Consumer Product Fraud, Deterrence and Detection, 2010, <u>http://www.gmaonline.org/downloads/wygwam/consumerproductfraud.pdf</u>

<sup>2</sup> A. Kircher, NCFPD, Tools for Protecting the Nations Food Supply, June 5, 2012.



### Why Care About Food Authenticity and Fraud?

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### EU records significant jump in crossborder food fraud cases in 2018

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https://www.foodnavigator.com/Article/2019/04/15/EU-records-significant-jump-in-cross-border-food-fraud-cases-in-2018 RELATED TAGS: Food fraud, Tuna, fipronil

The number of cases reported to the EU Food Fraud Network rose significantly last year. Requests from one European country to cooperate with others on food fraud cases rose to 234 in 2018, compared to 178 in 2017 and 157 in 2016, according to its annual report.



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### High profile food and beverage scandals

Product	Adulteration
Olive oil	Industrial oil denatu
Orange juice	Beet sugar syrup, v
Wine - Austria	Ethylene glycol
Chili spices - Asia	Sudan and other ill processed foods
Milk powder - China	Melamine & cyanu
Animal feed - Ireland	Adulteration of pig
Animal feed - Germany	Adulteration of feed
Sports & tea drinks - Taiwan	Phthalates (DEHP) to replace palm oil
Meat & meat products - Europe	Horse meat
Cumin spice – India, Turkey	Ground peanut & a





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deaths reported in Spain

ecutions of juice suppliers

ket recall – huge damage to Austrian wine industry

est supermarket recall ever in UK costing £millions

,000 victims, 6 infant deaths & 54,000 babies hospitalized s and dioxins in pork – Estimated €200 million financial losses s and dioxins in meat – restrictions on 5000 farms

th effects unknown but exposure above TDI for up to 15 years

e scale food recalls, RASFF alerts and prosecutions of processors

gerous to allergen suffers but no individuals identified



### The top 10 product categories (number of requests) in the AAC-FF in 2018



https://ec.europa.eu/food/sites/food/files/safety/docs/food-fraud\_network\_activity\_report\_2018.pdf



### How Can a Business Protect Itself Against Food Fraud?

### Continuous process:

- Evaluation to characterize food fraud vulnerabilities
- Design & review of a mitigation strategy
- Implementation & testing
- Regular review & update, particularly as changes are introduced, e.g. new supplier



Excerpt from: https://www.nestle.com/asset-library/documents/library/documents/suppliers/food-fraud-prevention.pdf



- Know your materials & risks
- Know your suppliers
- Know your supply chain
- Know your existing control measures



### If the price of a valuable food seems too good to be true it probably is!

Excerpt from: https://www.nestle.com/asset-library/documents/library/documents/suppliers/food-fraud-prevention.pdf



### Mitigation Against Food Fraud

- Raw material specifications
- Supplier relationship
- Supplier audit
- Supply chain transparency and simplification
- Alert system
- Analytical surveillance

#### Adequate mitigation measures alleviate vulnerability to food fraud



Excerpt from: https://www.nestle.com/asset-library/documents/library/documents/suppliers/food-fraud-prevention.pdf



### What is Food Authenticity Testing?

### Testing For:

- Purity and Authenticity
- Origin (type or country)
- Halal Food (pork and alcohol)
- Food Fraud / Adulteration
  - ✓ Addition or substitution of prohibited/toxic ingredients
  - Substitution with inferior or completely different product
  - Mislabelling (undeclared ingredients)





### Choosing the right analytical strategy to reduce the food fraud risk





### Food solutions: Comprehensive solutions to protect our food supply



Helping our customers to deliver healthier and safer food products







### Chemical fingerprints

 Materials have a fingerprint, a unique chemical signature that allows the sample to be identified

- To visualize this fingerprint, Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry (IRMS) is used to measure stable isotopes and identify the isotope fingerprint of a material or product
- IRMS traces carbon, nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen, and hydrogen isotopes by detecting their natural variations, which can reveal the origin and history of samples.



### Tracing the geographical origin of coffee by IRMS

Hydrogen and oxygen isotope fingerprints

- The Coffea species plants, cultivated as the source of the coffee beans, carry an isotopic fingerprint associated with local-regional rainfall
- Differentiation of American, Asian and African coffee beans (green and roasted)
- Identification of mislabeled coffee





### Whisky authenticity by GC-HRAM

### Study to determine the chemical differences between whisky samples?

- Type of Whisky: Bourbon or Scotch Whisky
- Geographical Origin: USA or Scotland, Highland or Lowland
- Age of Whisky: 10 or 15 year aging
- Approach: A non-targeted (screening) analysis and statistical software tools (including NIST libraries, deconvolution software, elemental composition and fragment matching software)



- Bourbon and 3 wood aged clearly different from other whiskies
- Single distillery whiskies also show clear differences





### DNA fingerprints

• To visualize DNA fingerprints, molecular detection can be used, e.g. real-time PCR (qPCR) and Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

- DNA fingerprints can provide a unique insight into food integrity investigations around applications of authenticity, adulteration and mislabeling for brand and consumer protection
- The most common method to verify species substitution and animal species identification and quantitation is real-time PCR
- NGS is a high-throughput methodology that enables rapid sequencing of the base pairs in DNA samples. Supporting a broad range of applications, including microbial profiling, food authenticity and traceability, detection of epigenetic changes, and molecular analysis.

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### Examples of regulations related to authenticity and adulteration

Area regulated	Scope	Regulations
Adulteration - general	Prevention of adulteration	Deculation 179/0000
Authenticity - general	Fraudulent & deceptive practices	Regulation 176/2002
Intentional adulteration	Prevent terrorists acts of food adulteration & requires mitigation	FSMA 2011 (US)
Melamine adulteration	Limits of 2.5 ppm in food & 1.0 ppm in infant formula	Regulation 594/2002
Authorized food colors	Prevention of use of illegal dyes	Directive 94/36/EC
Emergency measures for illegal dyes in imported foods	Provision for import controls of chilli, chilli products, curcuma & palm oil	Decision 2005/402/EC
Food Labeling	Prevention of misleading information on food labels	Regulation 1169/2011
Olive oil - vertical regulation	Compositional and labeling standards for olive oils	Regulation 1019/2002
Wine - vertical regulation	Organization of agricultural markets including wine	Regulation 1308/2013
Wine vinegar – vertical regulation	Compositional and labeling standards for wine vinegar	Regulation 479/2008
Agricultural products	Protected designations of origin Establishes PDO Establishes TSG	Regulation 607/2009, Regulation 510/2006, Regulation 509/2006
GM foods	Labelled as GM if more than 0.9%	Regulation 1829/2003
Organic foods	Labeling of organic foods	Regulation 834/2007
Traceability	Traceability must be established at all stages of food production	Regulation 178/2002



### The Food Fraud Iceberg



Horse dressed like a beef...





### Top Foods & Ingredients for Fraud



## 1 in 5 Seafood Samples Mislabeled Worldwide, Finds New Oceana Report

Oceana Calls on President Obama to Track All Seafood from Boat to Plate as Ocean Leaders Prepare to Gather in DC for Our Ocean Conference

Press Release Date Wednesday, September 7, 2016 Location: Washington





### Seafood Fraud was Investigated in 55 Countries

Ninety-eight percent of the 69 bluefin tuna A student project at a dishes tested in Brussels university in Chicago restaurants were actually identified 16 mislabeled another fish. In the United Kingdom, a A 2015 German study samples out of 52consumer watchdog group found about half of the mostly cheaper fish discovered a number of samples sold as "sole" misrepresented as more cases in which haddock to be lower-value fish expensive ones. were being sold as more upon testing. expensive cod, and whiting were being sold as more expensive haddock. Due to its high price and the difficulty in identifying its In a 2014 study, lower-value source, caviar is especially South African hake was susceptible to fraud. Of 27 A Santa Monica restaurant In Brazil, 55 percent of revealed to have been sold as caviar samples tested from a and two sushi chefs were higher-value European hake "shark" samples tested were variety of vendors around the charged for selling whale in Spain. actually largetooth sawfish, Black Sea and the Danube River, meat, including meat from a species considered by 10 were identified as something the endangered sei whale. the IUCN to be critically other than what the label The restaurant, which has endangered and for which claimed. Three of the "caviar" since closed, had labeled trade is prohibited in Brazil. samples tested contained no the whale as fatty tuna animal DNA at all. It is unknown to hide its true identity Researchers in Italy found what exactly these counterfeit when it was shipped to the that 82 percent of the 200 caviar samples were made of. restaurant in order to sell grouper, perch and swordfish whale sushi. samples they tested were mislabeled, and almost half of those mislabeled species are

> considered threatened with extinction by the IUCN.

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### Food Fraud: Fish





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### Analysis of the inherent fish vulnerabilities to adulteration



Food Adulteration: from Vulnerability Assessment to New Analytical Solutions. C Cavin et al. CHIMIA 2016, 70, No. 5. pag 330-332



### Food Fraud: Meat

### French burger fraud is 'chapter 2' of the horsemeat scandal, campaigners warn

By Katy Askew 🗹 10-Jun-2019 - Last updated on 10-Jun-2019 at 12:23 GMT





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### Food Fraud: Spices

# Food fraud tests reveal 25% of dried oregano is adulterated

23 Jul 2015 | Andrew Don





Authentic peppercorns



https://www.fdli.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/food-ad-food-fraud.pdf



BUSINESS CONSUMER AFFAIRS

# Food fraud: Popular oregano brands selling adulterated products

By Esther Han Updated 7 April 2016 -

Latest consumer news



### Food Fraud: Saffron

 Don't overpay for dyed onion or marigold powder masquerading as super - expensive saffron





PRODUCCIÓN (kg) Exportaciones (kg)



https://www.agenciasinc.es/Noticias/La-huella-quimica-confirma-el-fraude-del-azafran



### Food Fraud: Cinnamon

 Unless it says "Ceylon" on the label, your cinnamon is probably Cassia; most of the cinnamon sold in the United States is. Worse still, your "cinnamon" may actaully be ground coffee husks.



https://www.thedailymeal.com/cook/7-ingredients-arent-what-you-think-slideshow/slide-6





PCR

PCR testing is targeted or relies on a subset of targets

PCR testing is conducted one target at a time

PCR testing has a higher limit of detection & less data density

#### NGS is the Next Evolution in Food Authenticity Testing



### Molecular methods: RT - PCR



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### Workflow DNA Extraction



Sensitivity: It is 100 times greater using mitochondrial DNA targets than using nuclear DNA targets





### RapidFinder<sup>™</sup> Animal Detection Kits

Product name	Part no.	Volume	Species name
GMO Extraction kit	A15570	48 rxn	Generic for Speciation & GMO
RapidFinder™ Beef ID kit	A24391	48 rxn	Bos taurus
RapidFinder™ Equine ID kit	A15570	48 rxn	Equus caballus
RapidFinder™ Pork ID kit	A24392	48 rxn	Sus scrofa
RapidFinder™ Chicken ID kit	A24393	48 rxn	Gallus gallus
RapidFinder™ Turkey ID kit	A24394	48 rxn	Meleagris gallopavo
RapidFinder™ Sheep ID kit	A24395	48 rxn	Ovis aries
RapidFinder™ Poultry ID kit	A24397	48 rxn	Several avian species, including Gallus gallus (chicken), Meleagris gallopavo (turkey), Anas platyrhynchos (duck), Struthio camelus (ostrich), and Anser (goose)
RapidFinder™ Ruminant ID kit	A24396	48 rxn	Bos taurus (beef), Ovis aries (sheep), Capra hircus (goat), Cervus elaphus (red deer), and Capreolus capreolus (roe deer)
RapidFinder™ Fish ID kit	A24398	48 rxn	Atlantic Salmon, Angler, Cod, Hake, Halibut, Seabass, Anchovy, Sole, Dab, Trout, Tiger Shark, European Eel, Red Bandfish
RapidFinder™ Quant Multi Meat Set	A24399	48 rxn	

Optimized for Applied Biosystems® 7500 FAST Real-Time PCR Instrument



More predesigned assays available (Goat, Fallow deer, Milk, Cat, Monkey, Rat...) and also Custom Assays are possible!



# Animal Species used during the specificity assay for the RapidFinder <sup>™</sup> Chicken ID Kit .

Meat Species	Results
Horse	Not detected
Mule	Not detected
Donkey	Not detected
Cow	Not detected
Swine	Not detected
Buffalo	Not detected
Fish	Not detected
Sheep	Not detected
Goat	Not detected
Deer	Not detected
Chicken	Detected
Turkey	Not detected
Duck	Not detected
Ostrich	Not detected
Goose	Not detected
Human	Not detected
Soy	Not detected
Wheat	Not detected





### Limit of Detection



Results corresponding to the PCR amplification of samples, which contain different percentages of chicken DNA

#### **Results for PCR limit**

	1%	0.1%	0.01%	0.001%
10 ng/μl of Chicken/Turkey	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)
10 ng/µl of Chicken/Swine	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)

Results for PCR limit in processed samples							
	1% 0.1% 0.01%						
ADN 10 ng/µl	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	55% (6/11)				
ADN 100 ng/μl	100% (11/11)	100% (11/11)	91% (10/11)				

- Adding a greater amount of DNA (200ng/µl is recommended)
- Increase the PCR cycles at 38-40 and increase the Ct cut-off.



#### COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 51/2013

of 16 January 2013

amending Regulation (EC) No 152/2009 as regards the methods of analysis for the determination of constituents of animal origin for the official control of feed

(Text with EEA relevance)

'ANNEX VI

#### METHODS OF ANALYSIS FOR THE DETERMINATION OF CONSTITUENTS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN FOR THE OFFICIAL CONTROL OF FEED

#### 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The determination of constituents of animal origin in feed shall be performed by light microscopy or polymerase chain reaction (PCR) in accordance with the provisions laid down in this Annex.

These two methods make it possible to detect the presence of constituents of animal origin in feed materials and compound feed. However, they do not make it possible to calculate the amount of such constituents in feed materials and compound feed. Both methods have a limit of detection below 0,1 % (w/w).



Determining the presence of DNA of ruminant (*Bos taurus*, *Ovis aries*, *Capra hircus*, *Cervus elaphus* and *Capreolus capreolus*) in any feed and food.

Master Mix Ruminant		INTERPRETATION
Ruminant	IPC	Interview
-	+	No ruminant DNA is detected
+	+	Ruminant DNA is detected
-	-	PCR inhibitors presence in the sample*
+	-	Sample with big amount of ruminant DNA

This kit can also detect the presence of DNA in Processed Ruminant Animal Protein (PAP).

The most important innovation included in the design of this kits are the **IPC** system, needed to detect false negative result.



### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

#### of 27 March 2014

### on a second coordinated control plan with a view to establishing the prevalence of fraudulent practices in the marketing of certain foods

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2014/180/EU)

E. Method

The following protocol should be used:

- All samples should be submitted to an initial screening test aimed at detecting the presence of horsemeat in meat (as a ratio of mass fraction w/w) at the level of 0,5 % or above. The choice of screening method is up to the Member State.
- 2. Only samples positive to the screening test under para 1 should be subject to a confirmatory test using RT-PCR and targeting mitochondrial DNA aimed at detecting the presence of horsemeat in meat (as a ratio of mass fraction w/w) at the level of 1 % or above. The method used for confirmation must be calibrated to a standardised control sample of fresh meat delivered from the European Union Reference Laboratory for Animal Proteins in Feeding-stuffs.



### RapidFinder<sup>™</sup> Quant Multi-Meat



- PCR detection of a highly conserved mitochondrial genomic region from animal species
- Multi-Meat Standard, a plasmid
- Relative quantification of 0.05% of specific animal species DNA with respect to total animal DNA in a sample





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# PCR ○-∲-○→

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### Molecular methods: NGS – multispecies identification





### Ion Torrent Applications: Food Integrity





- Multi Species Identification
  - Accurate species ID by sequencing of *cytochrome* subunits and other genes ("barcodes") even in mixed samples
  - Sequencing results show the percentage composition of different species in a sample
- Geographic Origin
  - Determination of SNP frequencies by GBS of high diversity genes
- Pathogen Detection
  - 16S gene sequencing for identification of bacterial organisms
  - 18S/ITS gene sequencing for identification of fungal organisms
- Metagenomics
  - Broad-range research analyses of mixed microbial populations.







### Multi-Species Screening and Identification

The new **Thermo Scientific™ NGS Food Authenticity Workflow** is a complete, automated, next generation sequencing workflow and software database for multi-species ID screening



\* DNA preparation time range includes overnight incubation for select few sample types

### Thermo Scientific NGS Food Authenticity Workflow Guides



Sample homogenization	1.0	
DNA extraction	2a	2b
DNA quantification and dilution	3.0	
DNA amplification	4.0	
Libraries preparation	5.0	
Chip preparation DNA sequencing	6.0	
Data analysis	7.0	



### Steps 1 - 4



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Step 1 Sample homogenisationStep 2a/b DNA extractionStep 3 DNA quantificationStep 4 DNA amplification







### SGS All Species ID Analyser Kits

- SGA All Species ID Meat Analyser Kits
  - SGS All Species ID Meat Analyser Kit (Barcodes 1:1-24)
  - SGS All Species ID Meat Analyser Kit (Barcodes 1:25-48)
- SGA All Species ID Fish Analyser Kits
  - SGS All Species ID Fish Analyser Kit (Barcodes 2:1-24 & 3:1-24)
  - SGS All Species ID Fish Analyser Kit (Barcodes 2:25-48 & 3:25-48)
- SGA All Species ID Plant Analyser Kits
  - SGS All Species ID Plant Analyser Kit (Barcodes 4:1-24 & 5:1-24)
  - SGS All Species ID Plant Analyser Kit (Barcodes 4:25-48 & 5:25-48)





### Step 5: Library preparation



4 hours

The concentration of PCR products from all samples is assessed using Gel Electrophoresis to ensure that they are present in the same concentration in the final library pool









### Step 6: Template and Chip preparation









Ion Torrent Sequencing Chip

#### Run:

- 1) Library, Reagents, Oil and Ion Spheres are mixed and amplified using the on-board thermal cycler
- 2) Templated Ion Sphere Particles (ISPs) produced
- 3) Templated ISPs loaded onto chips









### Step 6. Part 2: DNA Sequencing – Ion GeneStudio S5 Food Protection System

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Install waste container, wash solution, cleaning solution, and reagent cartridge.

Install chip.

Select run plan, Click **Go**.







Barcoded S5 Chip

(1 per run)

hip Reagent cartridge (1 per init 1–2 runs)

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3 ge Wash solution (1 per init 1–2 runs)

Waste container (Reusable) Cleaning solution (4x use)

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### Step 7. Data Analysis – SGS All Species ID Software

Fast Q file from the S5 loaded into the SGS All Species ID Software

- Samples are identified according to barcode
- Sequences for each sample are screened against the database containing over 15,000 species
- A list of all the species contained in each sample is displayed
- The number of reads per sequence is provided, this can be indicative of the amount of a particular species in the sample but is NOT quantitative
- If a sequence is identified but not matched to the database, an 'Unknown' result is returned





### Example of NGS multispecies report

Target	Barcode	Species	Number Of Reads
FISH	1	Pangasianodon_hypophthalmus	3680
		Sander_lucioperca	1737
		Pleuronectes_platessa	1158
		Anguilla_japonica	1124
		Lophius_piscatorius	615
		Chanos_chanos	364
		Melanogrammus_aeglefinus	64
	2	Oncorhynchus_mykiss	630
	3	Abramis_brama	2086
		Leuciscus_leuciscus	756
		Leuciscus_idus	550
		Rutilus_rutilus	534
		Vimba_vimba	407
		Alburnus_istanbulensis	284
	4	Rutilus_rutilus	5417
		Pollachius_virens	2807
MEAT	22	Bos_taurus	19306
	23	Gallus_gallus	16534
		Bos_taurus	4217
	24	Sus_scrofa	10105
		Bos_taurus	158
PLANT	3	Origanum_sp./Origanum_onites	86660
		Origanum_sp./Origanum_vulgare	43666
		Origanum_sp./Origanum_majorana/Orig	42978
		Thymus_sp.	5159
		Convolvulus_arvensis	2772
		Lactuca_sp./Lactuca_sativa	1369
	4	Origanum_sp./Origanum_onites	71582
		Origanum_sp./Origanum_vulgare	36150
		Origanum_sp./Origanum_majorana/Orig	35415
		Laurus nobilis	15076



### Informative and Reliable Results

- All targets are detected in a single run (meat, fish & plant)
- Reliable results in complex (multi-ingredient) and processed samples
  - DNA sequencing most reliable method for species confirmation
  - DNA can be highly fragmented as the regions targeted are very short, e.g. 100 nucleotides
- NGS is starting to be introduced into international standardization:
  - NWIP (new work item proposal) ISO project: ISO TC 34/SC 16 ISO 22949-1
  - Molecular biomarker analysis Detection and identification of animal species by DNA sequencing methods (Including NGS)





Case study: Grouper fillet

SITUATION

### RESPONSE

- Retailer requested species ID for seafood. Confirm grouper species authentication
- Sanger sequencing ID that is appropriate for single species products originated a mixture of DNA sequences and no identification results



- NGS Mutli-Species ID was performed, revealed 4 different fish species
- Few species identified where not commercially authorized fish species – <u>one of the species</u> <u>toxic</u>
- Supplier after knowing the NGS results confirmed that in spite of the fillet format of the product it was not a true fillet but processed fish sample with a fillet format



VALUE DELIVERED

Rapid Response Hours to days to sequence sample, and provide accurate analysis back



Customer Solution Specific for fish species ID testing in food

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Scientific Expertise Highly skilled and supportive scientists dedicated to food safety and integrity



### Real time Response: Case study: Laurel raw material

SITUATION

Retailer asked for NGS

spices in Curry mixture

(containing more than 10

spices according to label)

 All the spices except laurel (scientifica name Laurus nobilis) could be detected

RESPONSE

- NGS spices was performed and the majority of the sample (> 90%) was composed by a very similar plant of the laurel family but not Laurus nobilis (laurel) potentially a toxic plant
- The supplier was mixing in the curry preparation not Laurel but something else similar to Laurel but with less than 10% of true laurel

Rapid Response Hours to days to sequence sample, and

VALUE DELIVERED

provide accurate analysis back



Customer Solution Specific for Plant Species ID testing in food



Increased profitability Fast and accurate analysis for prevention of intentional adulteration of food supply



### Find Out More About Multi-Species ID for Your Laboratory Today

- New video SGS just released on the Multispecies ID NGS workflow we are partnering with them on: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ymqMgcT0LqQ</u>
- For more specific on the lon sequencer is the quick demo video to get an idea of the plug and play, ease of use of the instruments:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I8Lkis9qFlo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aNA5aK5qYJc

- How Ion Torrent sequencing works works: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYBzbxIfuKs</u>
- Educational videos on our websites Learning Center (scroll to the bottom of the page for 'Sequencing'):

https://www.thermofisher.com/us/en/home/technical-resources/technical-reference-library/how-to-and-educational-videos



### Inspect. Detect. Protect.

Combat food fraud with the first complete NGS workflow for meat, fish and plant species screening and identification



### Investigate more ....



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# iGracias! Thank you!



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