

rolling proof 2018

Module tea and spices

Curry powder P1814-RT



Summary

The entire report is made available to participants only.

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rolling proof is developed to support laboratories in meeting the requirements of accreditation bodies. According to advisory document EA-4/18:2010 analytical laboratories are requested to establish a PT participation plan for accredited analytical methods. **rolling proof** is an on-going scheme of ring tests.

The module “tea and spices” of **rolling proof** is designed for difficult or unique commodities (according to SANTE 11813/2017, Annex A) and includes

- teas like black tea, green tea, herbal tea, fruit tea, rooibos tea etc., and
- spices like pepper, curry powder, paprika powder, etc.

The module “tea and spices” covers all in all a minimum of 150 of the most relevant pesticides. The scope of pesticides covered by **rolling proof** is defined in a provided list. All pesticides are tested within a period of five years. Thus, the laboratories that take part in **rolling proof** are able to test their pesticide multi-methods for a large number of pesticides and a variety of matrices within one cycle of accreditation. However, it is up to the participants to join all tests of the 5-year programme of **rolling proof**, or to book the tests individually.

rolling proof evaluates the performance of laboratories according to:

- the correct identification of the spiked pesticides.
- the comparability of the results. The evaluation of the comparability is based on the z-score model. The z-score should be at least $\leq |2|$.
- the trueness of the results. The trueness is expressed as the coverage of the spiked level in %. The coverage should be at least between 70 and 120 % of the spiked level.

In 2018, curry powder is chosen as matrix of **rolling proof** – module “tea and spices”. Nine laboratories across three countries (Austria, Germany, and Spain) took part in the test.

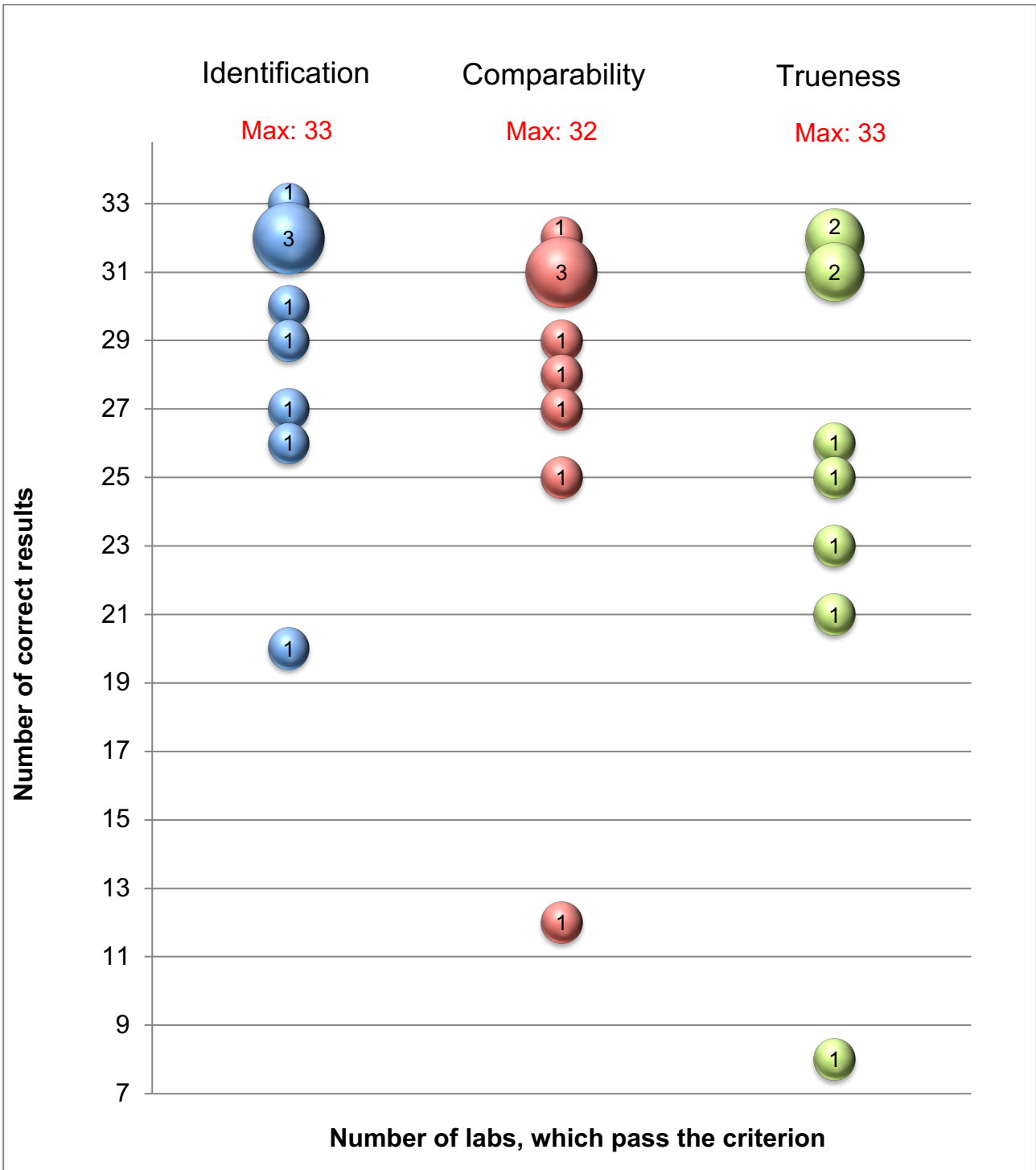
The test material is prepared of organic curry powder. The raw material is homogenised, tested for incurred residues and spiked with 33 pesticides thereafter.

The analytical challenge is to identify and quantify 33 pesticides in the test material. The identity of the pesticides, the spiked levels and a summary of the overall performance of the laboratories are provided in the table below.

Summary of results

Pesticide	Spiked level [mg/kg]	Assigned value [mg/kg]	Total number of results	Comparability criterion: no. of participants, which pass the criterion (z-score $\leq 2 $)	Trueness criterion: no. of participants which pass the criterion (70-120 % recovery of the spiked level)
2,4'-DDD	0.031	0.0305	9	8	6
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Aldicarb sulfoxide	0.052	0.0565	6	6	5
Aldrin	0.022	0.0201	8	8	6
Bifenazate	0.094	0.0874	7	7	6
Bromopropylate	0.029	0.0270	9	8	8
Clothianidin	0.088	0.0900	9	9	9
Demeton-S-methylsulfone	0.055	0.0567	9	9	8
Dichlorvos	0.094	0.0985	8	6	4
Diethofencarb	0.025	0.0271	9	8	7
Ethoprophos	0.046	0.0420	8	8	7
Fenamiphos sulfone	0.022	0.0223	8	8	8
Fenazaquin	0.074	0.0737	9	9	9
Fenhexamid	0.047	-	4	not evaluated	4
Fluopicolide	0.018	0.0187	7	7	6
Haloxypop (free acid)	0.059	0.0586	5	5	5
Hexaconazole	0.042	0.0447	6	6	6
Imidacloprid	0.020	0.0206	8	8	8
Lufenuron	0.12	0.114	7	7	7
Methamidophos	0.076	0.0788	6	6	6
Oxadixyl	0.021	0.0214	7	7	6
Oxyfluorfen	0.045	0.0425	8	7	6
Phorate	0.053	0.0545	8	8	7
Pirimicarb-desmethyl	0.061	0.0614	9	9	9
Prochloraz	0.048	0.0424	9	9	8
Propiconazole	0.15	0.151	8	8	7
Pyraclostrobin	0.18	0.189	9	8	8
Pyridaben	0.11	0.112	9	9	9
Pyriproxyfen	0.037	0.0340	8	8	8
Tebuconazole	0.11	0.134	9	9	6
Tetradifon	0.021	0.0212	9	8	8
Triadimefon	0.18	0.168	9	8	8
Triazophos	0.075	0.0720	8	7	7

Summary of the performance of the laboratories:



Total No. of labs: 9