

Accreditation (ISO 17025) of NIR spectroscopic methods: the example of the Community Reference Laboratory for Animal Proteins in Feedingstuffs

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A CRA-W success story ...

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| 1997 | 7th ICNIRS Conference (Essen, Germany) |
| 1998 | NIR microscope at CRA-W |
| 1999 | <i>Piraux and Dardenne</i> , proceeding of 9th ICNIRS Conference (Verona, Italy) |
| 2000 | NIR imaging system at CRA-W
EC STRATFEED project (<i>Dardenne and Baeten, NIRSnews</i>) |
| 2003 | Interlaboratory study DG-Sanco 2003 |
| 2004 | Feed Safety Conference in Namur
Interlaboratory studies ² DG-Sanco 2004 and STRATFEED
<i>Fernandez Pierna et al., J. of Chemometrics, 18, 341-349.</i> |
| 2005 | <i>Baeten et al., ABC, 382, 149-177.</i>
NIR microscope at JRC-IRMM |
| 2006 | EC SAFEED-PAP project
Community Reference Laboratory for animal proteins
ISO 17025 |

European official method – our reference



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**COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2003/126/EC
of 23 December 2003
on the analytical method for the determination of constituents of animal origin for the official control of feedingstuffs
(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Article 1

Having regard to Council Directive 70/373/EEC of 20 July 1970 on the introduction of Community methods of sampling and analysis for the official control of feedingstuffs (¹), and in particular Article 2 thereof,

Member States shall provide that where official analysis of feedingstuffs is carried out with a view to officially controlling the presence, identification and/or estimation of the amount of constituents of animal origin in feedingstuffs, in the framework of the coordinated inspection programme in the field of animal nutrition in accordance with Council Directive 95/53/EC (²), it shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Annex to this Directive.

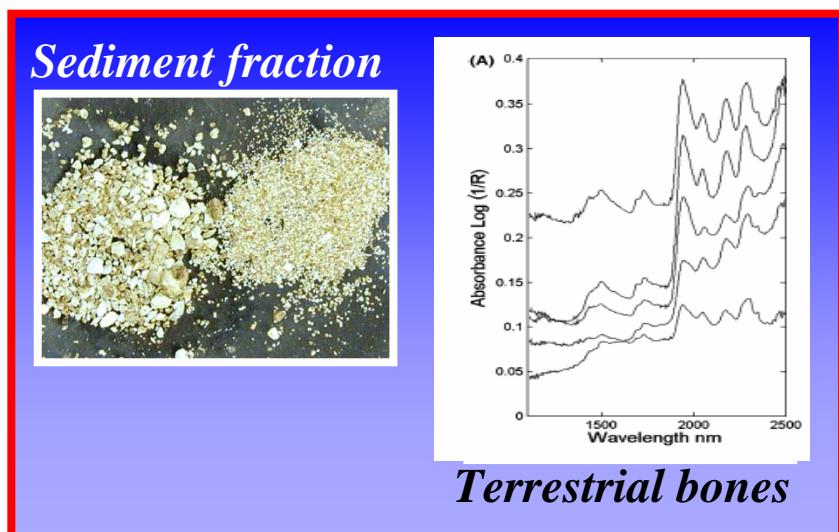
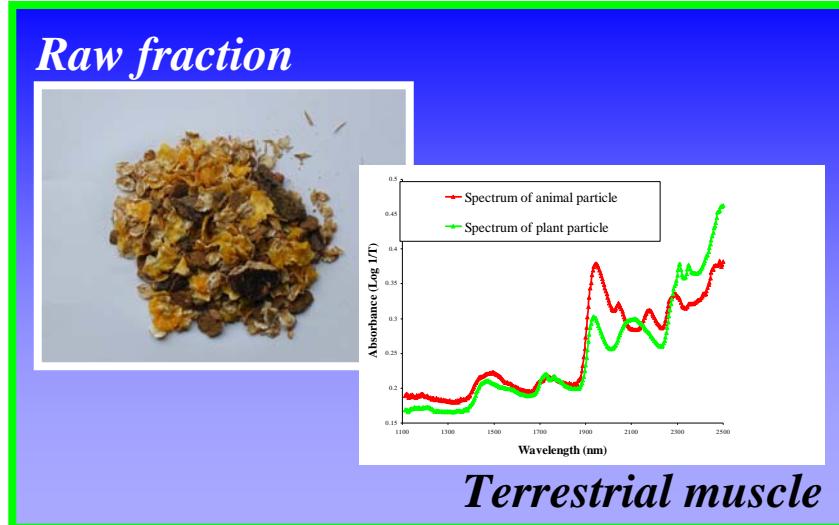
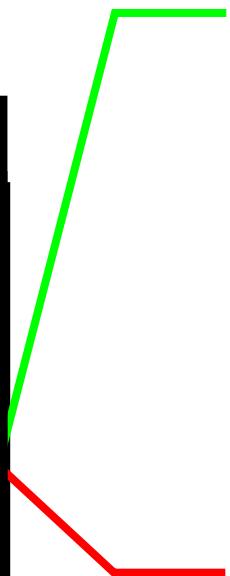
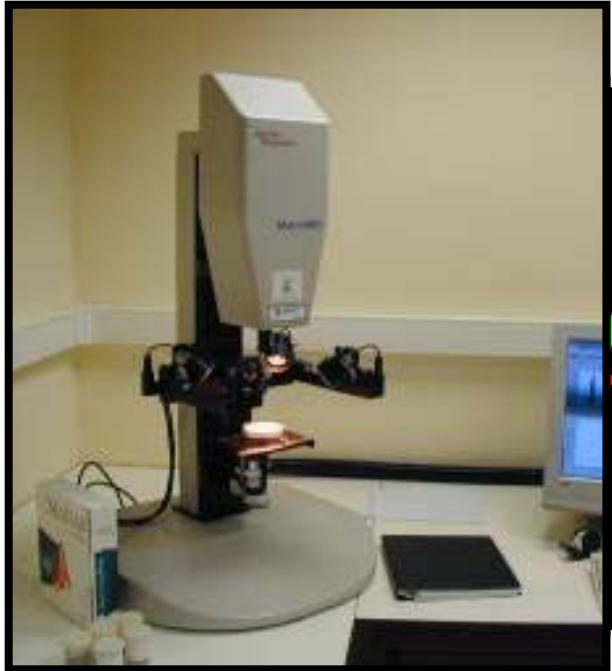
Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Directive 70/373/EEC, official controls of feedingstuffs, for the purpose of checking compliance with the requirements of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions governing their quality and composition, are to be carried out using Community sampling and analysis methods.

Article 2



Microscopic method



Classical microscopy is based on the visual observation of morphologic features of ingredient particles

NIR microscopy methods advantage



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- 1 Instrumentation
- 2 Analysis of the internal standard
- 3 Procedure of analysis
- 4 Verification of the procedure of data conversion
- 6 Export the data and conversion of analyzed samples
- 7 Preparation of files and equations for prediction
- 8 Verification of the procedure of prediction
- 9 Prediction
- 10 Visual inspection of the spectra

Analysis of the sediment – samples spiked at 0-1%

Table 1 Results from NIRM analysis of the samples of the sample set B

Sample number	True MBM (%)	Sediment ^a (%)	No. of particles analysed	No. of animal particles ^b	Bones in the sediment ^c (%)	Weight of bones in the sample ^d (g)	Animal ingredients in the sample ^e (%)	Conclusion mean
One-solvent method								
254	0	2.977	157	0 (11)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
264	0	2.665	135	0 (5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
363	0	2.673	161	0 (5)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
256	0.05	2.862	155	3 (20)	1.935	0.006	0.198	0.186
285	0.05	2.892	108	2 (7)	1.852	0.005	0.191	
365	0.05	2.753	116	2 (9)	1.724	0.005	0.170	
255	0.1	2.788	182	1 (19)	0.549	0.002	0.055	0.266
265	0.1	2.829	140	8 (13)	5.714	0.016	0.577	
364	0.1	2.857	122	2 (5)	1.639	0.005	0.167	
257	0.5	2.857	168	13 (20)	7.738	0.022	0.789	0.932
267	0.5	2.815	124	10 (12)	8.065	0.023	0.811	
366	0.5	2.876	103	12 (15)	11.650	0.034	1.197	
258	1	2.969	142	20 (31)	14.085	0.042	1.493	
268	1	2.845	144	20 (29)	13.889	0.040	1.411	
367	1	2.835	100	16 (18)	16.000	0.045	1.620	1.508
Two-solvent method								
249	0	0.554	144	0 (10)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
259	0	0.511	159	0 (17)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
369	0	0.488	129	0 (21)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
251	0.05	0.588	158	3 (15)	1.899	0.001	0.047	0.089
261	0.05	0.571	105	5 (10)	4.762	0.003	0.113	
371	0.05	0.604	117	5 (14)	4.274	0.003	0.108	
250	0.1	0.623	156	8 (23)	5.128	0.003	0.133	0.130
260	0.1	0.609	150	7 (17)	4.667	0.003	0.118	
370	0.1	0.543	132	7 (19)	6.061	0.003	0.137	
252	0.5	0.766	140	19 (31)	13.571	0.010	0.433	0.544
262	0.5	0.717	132	26 (35)	19.697	0.014	0.588	
372	0.5	0.722	118	24 (32)	20.339	0.015	0.612	
253	1	0.851	137	39 (46)	28.467	0.024	1.009	
263	1	0.936	136	36 (46)	26.471	0.025	1.032	
373	1	0.932	142	37 (45)	26.056	0.024	1.012	1.018

^aSediment (%)=(weight sediment/weight sample)×100

^bNo. of animal particles = number of particles classified as being of animal origin. The results from the decision rule model are given in parentheses

^cBones in the sediment (%)=(No. of animal particles/No. of analysed particles)×100

^dWeight of bones in the sample=[Bones in the sediment (%)/100×weight sediment (g)]

^eAnimal ingredients in the sample (%)=[weight bones in the sample (g)/% bones in the animal feed ingredient used to spike the sample (=f factor)]

Baeten V., von Holst C., Garrido A., Vancutsem J., Michotte Renier A. and Dardenne P. (2005). Detection of banned meat and bone meal in feedstuffs by near-infrared microscopic analysis of the dense sediment fraction, Anal. Bioanal. Chem., 382, 149-157.

Sensibility (feed sample spiked at 0.1%)

Results of the NIRM homogeneity study

DQ/04/0267/10 - MAT04-VII - 0.1% MBM

Code	Weight sample [mg]	Weight sediment [mg]	Sediment (a) [%]	Nb analysed particles	Nb animal particles (b)	Bones in the sediment (c) [%]	
a	807	10048.1	121.9	1.21	149	17	11.41
b	808	10087.2	132	1.31	181	19	10.50
c	809	10087.2	130.6	1.29	171	19	11.11
d	810	10091.1	142.6	1.41	136	21	15.44
e	811	10046.4	123.2	1.23	155	15	9.68
f	812	10057	125.5	1.25	148	12	8.11
g	813	10058.8	129.5	1.29	120	17	14.17
h	814	10128.7	121.7	1.20	143	16	11.19
i	815	10073.1	120.7	1.20	158	19	12.03
j	816	10012.4	135.2	1.35	154	14	9.09
<i>Xm (d)</i>				1.27		11.27	
<i>SD (e)</i>				0.07		2.22	

Legend:

(a) % sediment = (Weight sediment/Weight sample) * 100

(b) Nb animal particles = Number of particles clearly identified (by means of their infrared spectrum) a

(c) % bones in the sediment = ((Nb animal particles/Nb analysed particles) * 100) / % of particles of th

Sensibility (various feed samples spiked at 0.1%)

Table : Results of detection of MBM particles by nirm in feedingstuffs contaminated at 0.1%.

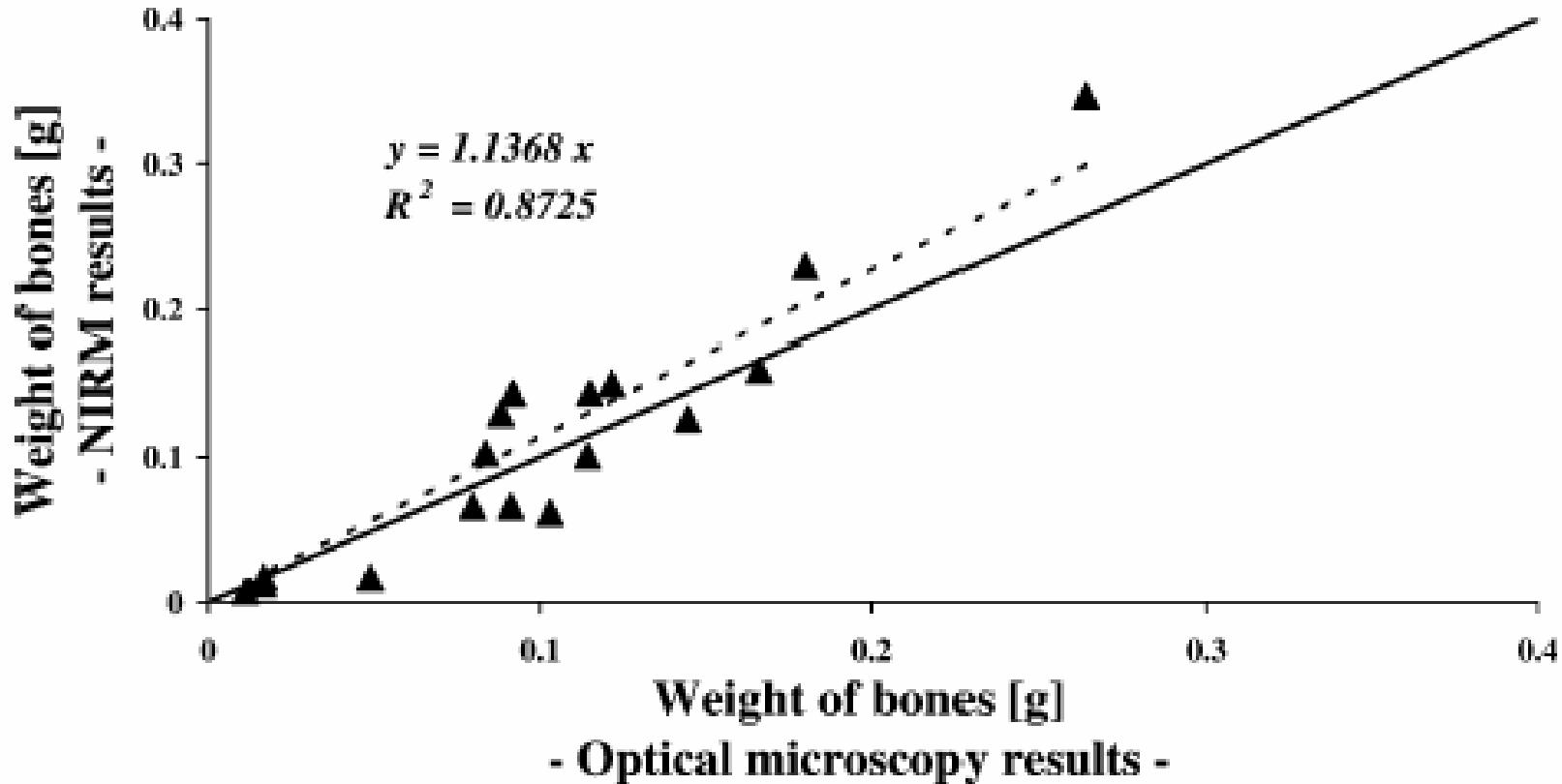
Samples containing 0.1% of MBM

	DQ-03-0027	DQ-04-267-07	DQ-04-267-10	DQ-03-0781-08
Detected particles in 10 g	4	10	17	10
6	7	19		7
4	3	19		6
1	7	21		6
1	7	15		5
3	3	12		8
1	7	17		5
1	6	16		11
1	3	19		4
1	2	14		6
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(Samples from several European interlaboratory studies conducted for CM, PCR and Immuno methods)

NIR Microscopy *versus* Classical Microscopy



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Control card

Preparation of a standard for the NIRM method

DETAILED REPORT

Groupes	Nber of mesures	Sum	Mean	Variance
1	2	12	6.0	0.0
2	2	21	10.5	0.5
3	2	14	7.0	18.0
4	2	15	7.5	0.5
5	2	16	8.0	2.0
6	2	16	8.0	2.0
7	2	17	8.5	24.5
8	2	23	11.5	4.5
9	2	15	7.5	0.5
10	2	20	10.0	32.0

Table 7c: Variance analysis: one factor (second part)

ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE

Orig. of v°	Σ of squares	D° of freedom	mean squares	F	Prob.	Crit. val. for F
Betw. groupes	52.4500	9	5.8278	0.6897	0.7061	3.0204
Inside of the g.	84.5000	10	8.4500		> 0,05	homogenous sub-samples
Total	136.9500	19				

The analysis of the variance clearly shows that sub-samples are homogenous as the calculated probability is higher than 0.05.

(Source : Validation dossier of the NIRM method)

Control card

DQ/04/0752

CRAGx code	Analysis	Number of analysed particles	Number of animal particles	Percentage of animal particles
30/08/04	Sed	60	8	13.33%
31/08/04	Sed	60	7	11.67%
01/09/04	Sed	60	4	6.67%
02/09/04	Sed	60	7	11.67%
08/09/04	Sed	60	11	18.33%
09/09/04	Sed	60	12	20.00%
07/10/04	Sed	60	10	16.67%
08/10/04	Sed	60	8	13.33%
11/10/04	Sed	60	13	21.67%
13/10/04	Sed	60	14	23.33%
15/10/04	Sed	60	7	11.67%
18/10/04	Sed	60	4	6.67%
19/10/04	Sed	60	9	15.00%
22/10/04	Sed	60	7	11.67%
25/10/04	Sed	60	9	15.00%
22/11/04	Sed	60	4	6.67%
23/11/04	Sed	60	13	21.67%
25/11/04	Sed	60	4	6.67%
04/01/05	Sed	60	9	15.00%
06/01/05	Sed	60	2	3.33%
12/01/05	Sed	60	11	18.33%
19/01/05	Sed	60	7	11.67%
20/01/05	Sed	60	4	6.67%

Mean (m) 8.00
 Standard deviation (SD) 3.36

lim sup. = m + 2 x SD = 14.71
 lim inf. = m - 2 x SD = 1.29

Table : Result of 23 days of NIRM analysis of 60 particles collected in the same sediment sample

Control card

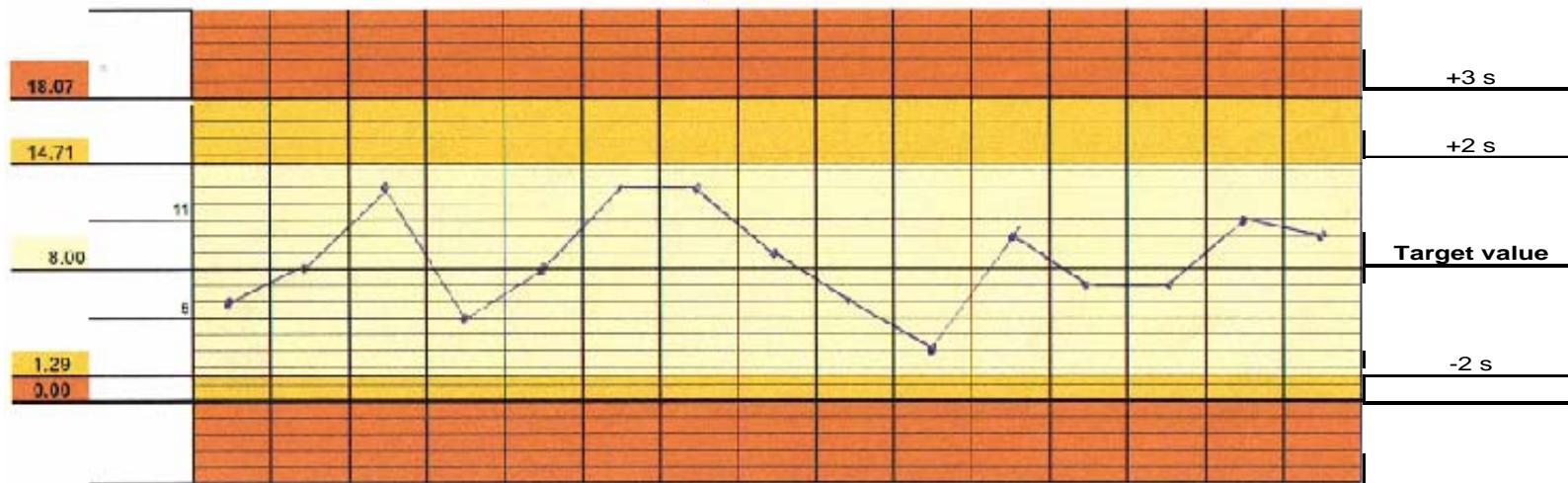
NIRM control card - PA-IR2-NIRM



Sample : DQ-04-0752 Analytical parameter : Animal protein Period : May 2005 -

Analyst	IF	IE	IF	IF	IF	IE	IE	IF	IG	IF	IF	IF	IF	IF	IF
Date	05.05.05	12.05.05	13.05.05	14.05.05	18.05.05	19.05.05	20.05.05	21.05.05	22.05.05	01.06.05	02.06.05	03.06.05	04.06.05	05.06.05	
Nber Ani. Partic.	5	8	13	5	8	13	13	9	6	3	12	7	7	11	10
Corrective act.															

Via Réa. Labo :
Date : 19/05/05



Accuracy

Samples	Level of contamination	XM	SD
DQ-03-0027	0.10%	0.053%	0.043
DQ-03-0028	0.50%	0.208%	0.096
DQ-04-267-07	0.10%	0.155%	0.069
DQ-04-267-10	0.10%	0.174%	0.040
DQ-04-267-17	0.50%	0.750%	0.163
DQ-03-0781-08	0.10%	0.112%	0.051

Table 4: Comparison of the expected contamination level and the percentage detected.

Cross-contamination checking (blind samples)

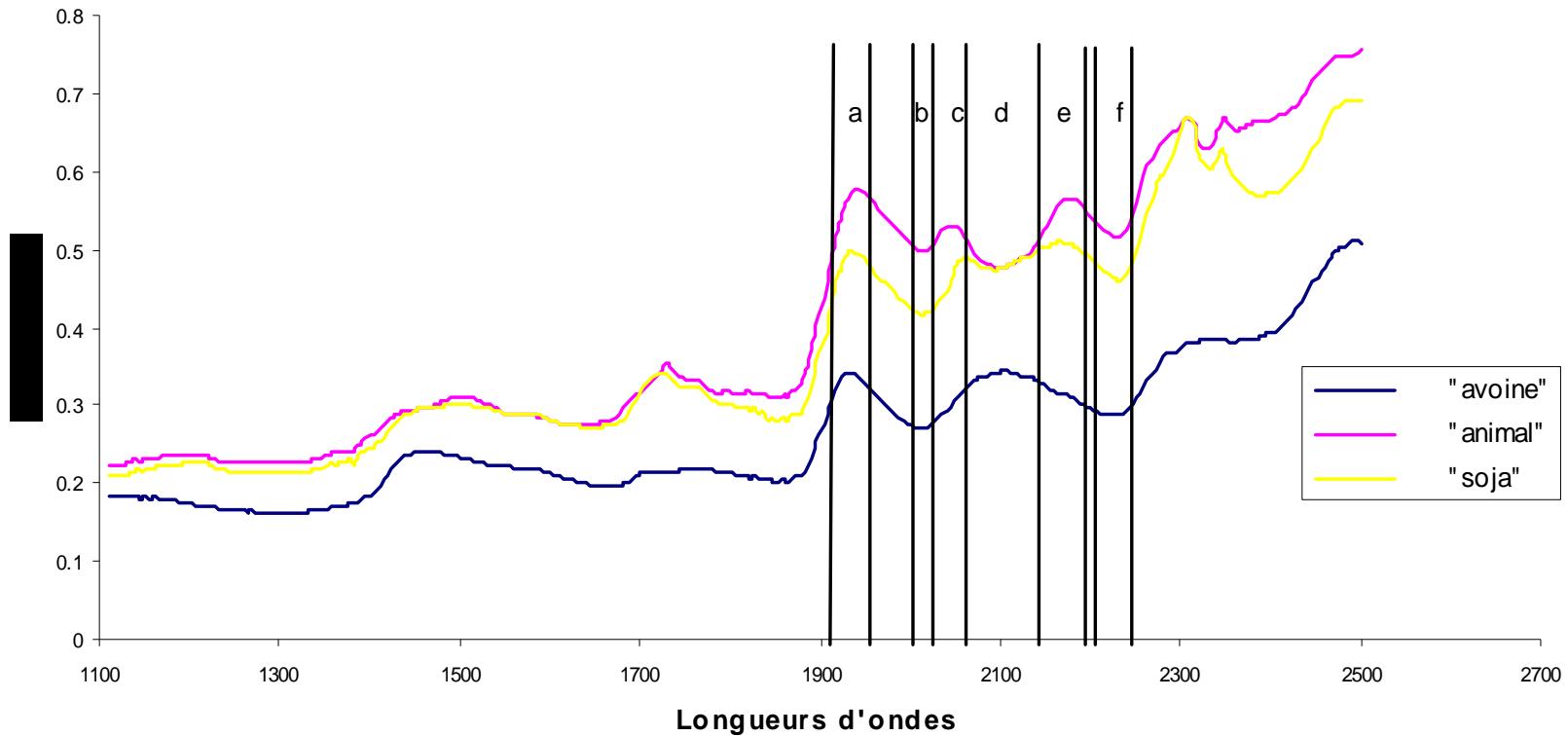
Table : Results of alternated samples analysis to test if there are cross-contaminations

Sub-samples	Sediment code	Theoretical percentage	MBM particles detection
DQ-04-0267-12-1	905	5% MBM	yes
DQ-02-1017-02-a	906	0% MBM	no
DQ-04-0267-12-2	907	5% MBM	yes
DQ-02-1017-02-b	908	0% MBM	no
DQ-04-0267-12-3	909	5% MBM	yes
DQ-02-1017-02-c	910	0% MBM	no

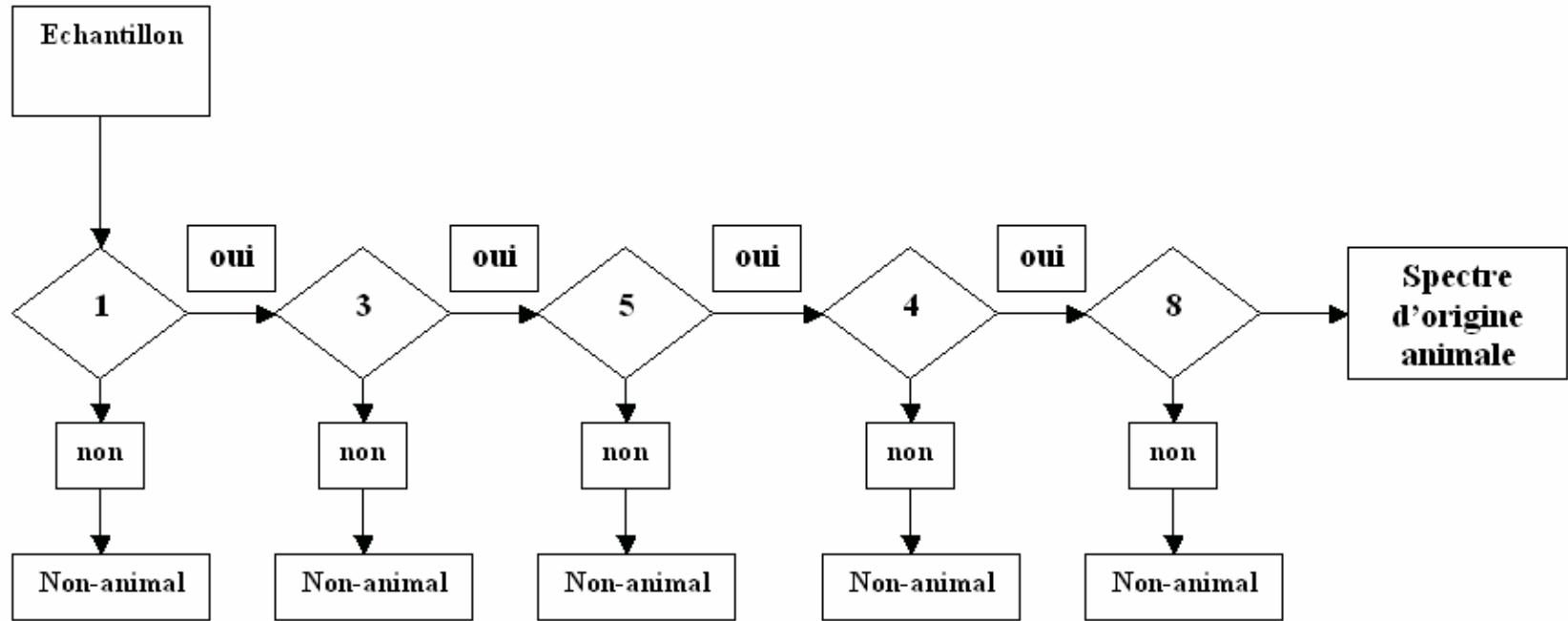
(Source : Validation dossier of the NIRM method)

Visual control of the spectra

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Visual control of the spectra



Condition 1 : 1920-1960 : pic en (a)

Condition 2 : 2010-2030 : puit en (b)

Condition 3 : 2030-2070 : pic en (c)

Condition 4 : 2070-2150 : puit ou pic en (d)

Condition 5 : 2150-2200 : pic en (e)

Condition 6 : 2210-2250 : puit en (f)

Condition 8 : $(b+f)/2 > d$

We got it ... and keep it !



Organisme belge d'Accréditation
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Accreditation Certificate No. 300-TEST

In compliance with the provisions of the Royal Decree of 31 January 2006 setting up BELAC, the Accreditation Board hereby declares, that the test laboratory

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has the competence to perform the tests as described in the annex which is an integral part of the present certificate, in accordance with the requirements of the standard NBN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2000. The present accreditation is the subject of regular surveillance in order to confirm the compliance with the accreditation conditions.

The Chair of the Accreditation Board BELAC,

Nicole MEURÉE-VANLAETHEM

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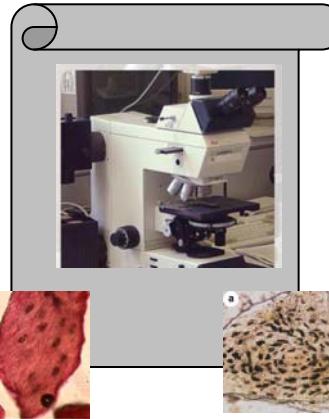
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Ring trial & training

Immuno



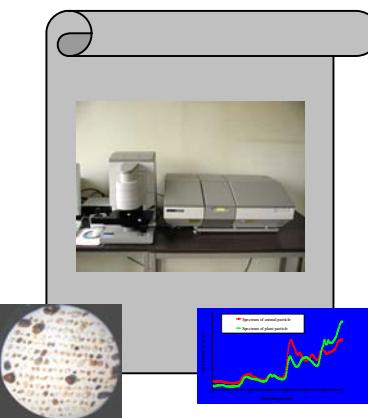
Microscopy



PCR



NIR-M



Imaging

