

ANNEX II

SAMPLE PREPARATION AND CRITERIA FOR METHODS OF ANALYSIS USED IN OFFICIAL CHECKING OF THE LEVELS OF BENZO(A)PYRENE IN FOODSTUFFS

4. Method of analysis to be used by the laboratory and laboratory control requirements

4.6. Other considerations for the analysis

Proficiency testing

Participation in appropriate proficiency testing schemes which comply with the 'International Harmonised Protocol for the Proficiency Testing of (Chemical) Analytical Laboratories' (3) developed under the auspices of IUPAC/ISO/AOAC.

Internal quality control

Laboratories should be able to demonstrate that they have internal quality control procedures in place. Examples of these are the 'ISO/AOAC/IUPAC Guidelines on Internal Quality Control in Analytical Chemistry Laboratories' (4).