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Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Pectinesterase from Aspergillus oryzae AR-962 and Polygalacturonase from Aspergillus oryzae AR-183 in Certain Fruit and Vegetable Products

Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0208 [2023-09-28]

Background

Health Canada's Food Directorate completed the premarket safety assessments of two food additive submissions seeking authorization for the use of two types of pectinase, pectinesterase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-962 and polygalacturonase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-183, in fruit and vegetable processing and wine production.

The results of the premarket assessments support the safety of pectinesterase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-962 and polygalacturonase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-183 for their requested uses. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of pectinesterase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-962 and polygalacturonase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-183 as described in the information document below by modifying the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes*, effective **September 28, 2023**.

The purpose of the information document is to publicly announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for those wishing to submit an inquiry or new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.

Information Document

To obtain an electronic copy of the Notice of Modification to the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes* to Enable the Use of Pectinesterase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-962 and Polygalacturonase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-183 in Certain Fruit and Vegetable Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0208, please contact our <u>publications office</u> or send an e-mail to <u>publications-publications@hc-sc.gc.ca</u> with the words "**hpfb BCS nom-adm-0208-eng**" in the subject line of your e-mail.

Contact Information

Health Canada's Food Directorate is committed to reviewing new scientific information on the safety in use of any permitted food additive. Anyone wishing to submit an inquiry or new scientific information on the use of a permitted food additive may do so in writing, by regular mail or electronically. If you wish to contact the Food Directorate electronically about pectinesterase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-962 or polygalacturonase from *Aspergillus oryzae* AR-183, or both, please use the words "pectinesterase or polygalacturonase(NOM-0208)" in the subject line of your e-mail.

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Supporting Information

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