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Summary sheet of validation data for a diagnostic test

The EPPO Standard PM 7/98 *Specific requirements for laboratories preparing accreditation for a plant pest diagnostic activity* describes how validation should be conducted. It also includes definitions of performance criteria.

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Short description of the test	Identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> using barcoding
Date, reference of the validation report	2025-07-21 - Gottsberger, R.A., Bacher E., Reisenzein, H., (2024) Validation of molecular diagnostic protocols for identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (Fairmaire). Validation Report No. 2024/01, Version 02. Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna.
Link to other validation data	- Gottsberger, R.A., Bacher E., Reisenzein, H., (2024) Validation of molecular diagnostic protocols for identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (Fairmaire). Validation Report No. 2024/01, Version 02. Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna. Identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> by conventional PCR - Gottsberger, R.A., Bacher E., Reisenzein, H., (2024) Validation of molecular diagnostic protocols for identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (Fairmaire). Validation Report No. 2024/01, Version 02. Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna. Identification of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> using LAMP (Kyei-Poku et al. (2020))
Validation process according to EPPO Standard PM7/98?	yes
Is the lab accredited for this test?	yes
Was the validated data generated in the framework of a project?	EURL
Description of the test	
Organism(s)	<i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (AGRLPL)
Detection / identification	identification
Method(s)	Molecular Extraction DNA RNA Molecular Sanger seq
Method: Molecular Extraction DNA RNA	
Reference of the test description	
As or adapted from an EPPO diagnostic protocol	no

As or adapted from an IPPC diagnostic protocol	no
Kit	
Is a kit used	yes
Manufacturer name	QIAGEN
Specify the kit used	DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kits
Kit used following the manufacturer's instructions?	yes DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kit (Qiagen) was used. For adults destructive DNA extraction was used, for larvae non-destructive extraction.
Other information	
Other details on the test	If non-destructive DNA extraction applied, extended incubation was performed.
Method: Molecular Sanger seq	
Reference of the test description	
As or adapted from an EPPO diagnostic protocol	yes
EPPO Diagnostic Protocol name	PM 7/129 DNA barcoding as an identification tool for a number of regulated pests (version 2)
As or adapted from an IPPC diagnostic protocol	no
Is the test modified compared to the reference test	yes The LCO1490/HCO2198 primer set were tested with 5x HOT FIREPol Blend Master Mix with 15 mM MgCl ₂ (Solis Biodyne), reaction volume (10µl reactions)
Other information	
Other details on the test	EPPO PM 7/129 Appendix 1 - DNA barcoding of arthropods. Two different primer sets, LCO1490/HCO2198 (Folmer et al. 1994) and LepF/LepR (Hajibabaei et al. 2006), were validated. Molecular amplification (simplex)
Are the performance characteristics included in the EPPO diagnostic protocol?	no
Performance Criteria :	
Organism 1.:	Agrilus planipennis(AGRLPL)
Analytical sensitivity	
What is smallest amount of target that can be detected reliably?	Primer set LCO1490/HCO2198: 0.44ng/µl Primer set LepF/LepR: 1.03 ng/µl
Diagnostic sensitivity	
Proportion of infected/infested samples tested positive compared to results from the standard test, see appendix 2 of PM 7/98	Proportion of infected/infested samples tested positive compared to results from the standard test, see appendix 6 of PM 7/98 Primer set LCO1490/HCO2198: 100% Primer set LepF/LepR: 100%
Standard test(s)	Comparison of samples with known status (specimens were morphologically identified)

Analytical specificity - inclusivity	
Number of strains/populations of target organisms tested	6 specimens of <i>Agrilus planipennis</i> (adults and larvae) from Canada, USA and Russia
Specificity value	Primer sets LCO1490/HCO2198 and LepF/LepR: 100% (6 specimens of the target organism could be identified out of the 6 tested)
Analytical specificity - exclusivity	
Number of non-target organisms tested	Non-target organisms tested 11 adult specimens from the genera <i>Agrilus</i> and <i>Anthaxia</i> were tested (<i>Agrilus anxius</i> , <i>Agrilus roscidus</i> , <i>Agrilus convexicollis</i> , <i>Agrilus graminis</i> , <i>Agrilus hastulifer</i> , <i>Agrilus viridis</i> , <i>Anthaxia caseyi</i> , <i>Anthaxia hungarica</i>), 11 larvae from different genera were tested (<i>Agrilus biguttatus</i> , <i>Agrilus sinuatus</i> , <i>Agrilus hastulifer</i> , <i>Buprestidae</i> sp., <i>Buprestis haemorrhoidalis</i> , <i>Ptosima flavoguttata</i> , <i>Phaenops cyanea</i> , <i>Coraebus florentinus</i> , <i>Lamprodila rutilans</i>)
Specificity value	Primer LCO1490/HCO2198: 100% (21 specimens of the non-target organism could be excluded out of the 21 tested). The sample <i>Lamprodila rutilans</i> was excluded for this calculation, because no amplicon could be generated. Primer LepF/LepR: 100% (22 specimens of the non-target organism could be excluded out of the 22 tested).
Diagnostic Specificity	
Proportion of uninfected/uninfested samples (true negatives) testing negative compared to results from a standard test	Primer set LCO1490/HCO2198: 100% Primer set LepF/LepR: 100%
Specify the test(s)	Comparison of samples with known status (specimens were morphologically identified)
Reproducibility	
Provide the calculated % of agreement for a given level of the pest (see PM 7/98)	Primer set LCO1490/HCO2198: 100% Primer set LepF/LepR: 100% (evaluated with 3 technical replicates at the limit of detection by 2 operators on 2 different days and with 2 different PCR equipment)
Repeatability	
Provide the calculated % of agreement for a given level of the pest (see PM 7/98)	Primer set LCO1490/HCO2198: 100% Primer set LepF/LepR: 100% (evaluated with 2 biological replicates in 3 technical repetitions at the limit of detection)
Test performance study	
Test performance study?	no
Other information	
Any other information considered useful	https://eurl-insects-mites.anses.fr/ https://eurl-insects-mites.anses.fr/en/minisite/insects-and-mites/validation-studies