

Official feed and food control laboratories

Details of official feed and food control laboratories in the UK that are designated to undertake sample analysis work.

In the UK, official feed and food laboratories are Public and Agricultural Analysts and Food Examiners (microbiology laboratories) that undertake work for local authorities for enforcement purposes. Other designated laboratories undertake official controls in specified areas for monitoring purposes.

All official laboratories must employ suitably qualified staff. Laboratories undertaking enforcement work for local authorities must have a Public or Agricultural Analyst (formally appointed by a local authority) or a qualified Food Examiner.

We are responsible for designating the majority of official laboratories in the UK according to the National Control Plan, as required by Official Feed and Food Control Regulations 2017/625. We do not own or operate any of these laboratories.

In Northern Ireland, EU law will continue to apply from 1 January 2021 in respect of the majority of food and feed hygiene law, as listed in the [Northern Ireland Protocol](#). This includes [Regulation 2017/625 for Official Feed and Food Controls](#) which specify the requirements pertaining to the designation of EU Food and Feed Official Control Laboratories (OCLs).

This means that from 1 January 2021, the OCLs which NI Competent Authorities use for the analysis of official control food and feed samples must be located in NI or within an EU Member State (MS) and be designated by the FSA and the EU MS in which they are located.

The Public Analysts and Food Examiners designated for NI are appointed under national law, The Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991, therefore there is no change required regarding these designations.

[View Multi-Annual National Control Plan for the United Kingdom April 2019 to March 2023 \(updated December 2019\) as PDF \(1.65 MB\)](#)

Any questions should be directed to the laboratory itself.

Official Laboratories for GB (enforcement)

Key of analyst types:

- Agricultural Analyst - AA
- Public Analyst – PA
- Food Examiner - FE

Aberdeen Scientific Services Laboratory (AA PA FE)
Aberdeen City Council
Old Aberdeen House
Dunbar Street, Aberdeen
Scotland AB24 3UJ
tel: 01224 491648
email: ASSL@aberdeencity.gov.uk

[Edinburgh Scientific Services](#) (AA PA FE)
City of Edinburgh Council
4 Marine Esplanade
Edinburgh
Scotland EH6 7LU
tel: 0131 555 7980
email: scientific.services@edinburgh.gov.uk

[Glasgow Scientific Services](#) (AA PA FE)
Glasgow City Council
Colston Laboratory
64 Everard Drive, Glasgow
Scotland G21 1XG
tel: 0141 276 0610
email: GSS@glasgow.gov.uk

[Hampshire Scientific Service](#) (AA PA FE)
Hyde Park Road
Southsea, Hampshire
England PO5 4LL
tel: 023 9282 9501
email: hss@hants.gov.uk

[Kent Scientific Services](#) (AA PA)
8 Abbey Wood Road, Kings Hill
West Malling, Kent
England ME19 6YT
tel: 03000 415100
email: kss@kent.gov.uk

[Lancashire County Scientific Services](#) (AA PA FE)
Pedders Way
Preston Riversway Docklands
Preston
England PR2 2TX
tel: 01772 721660
email: scientificservices@lancashire.gov.uk

[Minton, Treharne & Davies Ltd](#)

Forest Farm Industrial Estate
Longwood Drive
Whitchurch
Cardiff
CF14 7HY
tel: +44 (0)2920 540 000
email: enquiries@minton.group

[Public Analyst Scientific Services Ltd \(PASS\)](#) (AA PA FE)

i54 Business Park
Valiant Way, Wolverhampton,
England WV9 5GB
tel: 01902 627241
email: info@publicanalystservices.co.uk

[Tayside Scientific Services](#) (AA PA FE)

Dundee City Council
James Lindsay Place, Dundee Technopole
Dundee
Scotland DD1 5JJ
tel: 01382 307170
mail: scientific.services@dundeecity.gov.uk

Public Health England (PHE)

[Food Water and Environmental Laboratories \(FWE\)](#)

FWEM Network London Laboratory (FE)
61 Colindale Avenue, London
England NW9 5EQ
tel: 0208 327 65500/49
email: FWEM@phe.gov.uk

FWEM Laboratory, Porton (FE)
Salisbury
Wiltshire
England SP4 0JG
tel: 01980 616766
email: FWEPorton@phe.gov.uk

FWEM Laboratory, York (FE)
The Food and Environmental Research Agency (Fera Science)
Sand Hutton, York
England YO41 1LZ
tel: 01904 468948
email: YorkFWELab@phe.gov.uk

Public Health Wales (PHW)

Microbiology Bangor (FE)
Ysbyty Gwynedd,
Bangor, Gwynedd

Wales LL57 2PW
tel: 01248 384718

Microbiology Cardiff (FE)
Llandough Hospital
Penlan Road, Penarth
Wales CF64 2XX
tel: 029 20716745

Microbiology Carmarthenshire (FE)
Glangwili General Hospital
Carmarthen
Wales SA31 2AF
tel: 01267 237271

Official Laboratories for Northern Ireland (enforcement)

Northern Ireland Public Health Laboratory (FE)
Belfast City Hospital,
Lisburn Road Belfast
Northern Ireland BT9 7AD
tel: 028 90263588
email: DL-BLL-NIPHL@belfasttrust.hscni.net

Eurofins Food Testing Ireland Ltd (PA AA)
A) Unit D13, North City Business Park,
North Road, Finglas, Co. Dublin 11, Ireland
tel: 01902 627200
email: Info@publicanalystservices.co.uk

B) Glanmire Industrial Estate,
Glanmire, Co.
Cork, Ireland
tel: 01902 627200
email: Info@publicanalystservices.co.uk

Eurofins Analytics (Nantes)
9 rue Bobierre
44323 Nantes,
France
tel: +33 2 51 83 21 00
email: AnalyticsFrance@eurofins.com

Eurofins Coeur De France
Zone de l'étoile
Boulevard de Nomazy
03000 Moulins
France
tel: +33 4 70 47 71 00
email: ecdf@eurofins.com

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email: GeneScan@eurofins.de

Eurofins Analytik GmbH
Neuländer Kamp 1
21079 Hamburg
Germany
tel: +49 40 49 294 1770
email: analytik@eurofins.de

Eurofins WEJ Contaminants GmbH
Neuländer Kamp 1
21079 Hamburg
Germany
tel: +49 40 49 29 42222
email: wej-contaminants@eurofins.de

Other official control laboratories (monitoring)

Other official control laboratories for specific areas of work as defined in the UK National Control Plan.

Shellfish

Laboratories testing for marine biotoxins in live bivalve molluscs

[The Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science \(CEFAS\)](#)
Weymouth laboratory
Barrack Rd
Weymouth
Dorset DT4 8UB
tel: 01305 206600

(This also applies to Scotland)

[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)
Stormont, Stoney Road
Belfast BT4 3SD
tel: 028 90 525785
email: info@afbini.gov.uk

Laboratories testing for planktons in shellfish production and relaying areas

[The Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science \(CEFAS\)](#)
Pakefield Rd
Lowestoft
Suffolk NR33 0HT
tel: 01502 562244
[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)
Newforge Lane
Belfast BT9 5PX
tel: 028 90255636

SCOTLAND

[SAMS \(The Scottish Association of Marine Science\)](#)

SAMS Research Services Ltd
Scottish Marine Institute, Oban
Argyll PA37 1QA
tel: 01631 559000

Laboratories monitoring chemical contaminants in shellfish

[Food and Environment Research Agency \(FERA\)](#)

Sand Hutton
York YO41 1LZ
tel: 0300 100 0321

(This also applies to Scotland)

[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)

Newforge Lane
Belfast BT9 5PX
tel: 028 90255636

Laboratories monitoring Escherichia coli in shellfish

FWEM Network London Laboratory
61 Colindale Avenue, London
England NW9 5EQ
tel: 0208 327 65500/49
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Wiltshire
England SP4 0JG
tel: 01980 616766
email: FWEPorton@phe.gov.uk

FWEM Laboratory, York
The Food and Environmental Research Agency (Fera Science)
Sand Hutton, York
England YO41 1LZ
tel: 01904 468948
email: YorkFWELab@phe.gov.uk

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Bangor, Gwynedd

Wales LL57 2PW
tel: 01248 384718

Microbiology Carmarthenshire
Glangwili General Hospital
Carmarthen
Wales SA31 2AF
tel: 01267 237271

Northern Ireland Public Health Laboratory
Belfast City Hospital,
Lisburn Road Belfast
Northern Ireland BT9 7AD
tel: 028 90263588
email: DL-BLL-NIPHL@belfasttrust.hscni.net

SCOTLAND

Cefas Weymouth Laboratory (mainland and Western Isles)
SSQC (Shetland Seafood Quality Control) (Shetland and Orkney only)
Port Arthur, Scalloway
Shetland ZE1 0UN
tel: 01595 772441

This laboratory may also undertake testing of samples of shellfish at our request for *Salmonella* spp. (excluding *Salmonella* Typhi) and *Vibrio* spp. (restricted to *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*).

Raw cows' drinking milk

FWEM Laboratory, Porton (FE)
Salisbury
Wiltshire
England SP4 0JG
tel: 01980 616766
email: FWEPorton@phe.gov.uk

FWEM Laboratory, York (FE)
The Food and Environmental Research Agency (Fera Science)
Sand Hutton, York
England YO41 1LZ
tel: 01904 468948
email: YorkFWELab@phe.gov.uk

Laboratories monitoring *Trichinella* parasites in farmed animals

[Biobest Laboratories Ltd.](#)

6 Charles Darwin Rise
The Edinburgh Technopole
Milton Bridge
Nr. Penicuik
H26 OPY
tel: 0131 4402628

This also applies to Scotland

Laboratories monitoring Trichinella parasites in wild boar

[Animal and Plant Health Agency \(APHA\)](#)

Sand Hutton
York
YO41 1LZ
Tel: 01904 462000

Laboratories monitoring Trichinella parasites in Northern Ireland

[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)

Stormont, Stoney Road
Belfast BT4 3SD
tel: 028 90 525785
email: info@afbini.gov.uk

Other specified official control laboratories in Northern Ireland

Laboratories analysing milk and milk products

[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)

Newforge Lane, Belfast BT9 5PX
tel: 028 90 255556

Laboratories monitoring feed samples

[Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute \(AFBI\)](#)

Stormont, Stoney Road
Belfast BT4 3SD
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