

# Feed and food official laboratories

Details of feed and food official laboratories (OLs) in the UK and Northern Ireland (NI) 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 continues to apply post EU exit 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 specifies the requirements for the designation of EU Food and Feed Official Laboratories (OLs).

OLs 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) or third country that is a Contracting Party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (EEA).

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.

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:GSS@glasgow.gov.uk)

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

Hyde Park Road  
Southsea, Hampshire  
England PO5 4LL  
tel: 023 9282 9501  
email: [hss@hants.gov.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:scientificservices@lancashire.gov.uk)

[Minton, Treharne & Davies Ltd](#) (AA PA)

Forest Farm Industrial Estate  
Longwood Drive  
Whitchurch  
Cardiff  
CF14 7HY  
tel: +44 (0)2920 540 000  
email: [enquiries@minton.group](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:scientific.services@dundeecity.gov.uk)

**UK Health Service Agency (UKHSA)**

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

FWEM Network London Laboratory (FE)  
61 Colindale Avenue, London  
England NW9 5EQ  
tel: 0208 327 6550/6548/6551  
email: [FWEM@phe.gov.uk](mailto:FWEM@phe.gov.uk)

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

Eastern Region Public Analyst's Laboratory  
Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital,  
Lower Grand Canal Street,  
Dublin 2 D02 P667,  
Ireland  
tel: +353 1 661 2022  
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44323 Nantes,  
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Germany  
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Glanmire, Co.  
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Germany  
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Belfast City Hospital,  
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Northern Ireland BT9 7AD  
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Douglas Road,  
Cork T12XH60,  
Ireland  
tel: +353 021 4923245  
email: [Michael.oriordan@hse.ie](mailto:Michael.oriordan@hse.ie)

## **Other official laboratories (monitoring)**

Other official 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](mailto:info@afbini.gov.uk)

#### **Laboratories testing for plankton 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

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email: [FWEM@phe.gov.uk](mailto:FWEM@phe.gov.uk)

FWEM Laboratory, Porton

Salisbury

Wiltshire

England SP4 0JG

tel: 01980 616766

email: [FWEPorton@phe.gov.uk](mailto: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](mailto:YorkFWELab@phe.gov.uk)

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Northern Ireland BT9 7AD  
tel: 028 9504 1243  
email: [DL-BLL-NIPHL@belfasttrust.hscni.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:info@afbini.gov.uk)

## **Other specified laboratories testing Trichinella parasites**

Trichinella official laboratories are designated by FSA and operate for the sole purpose of trichinella testing in meat using permitted official testing methods, under a derogation from mandatory accreditation requirements in [Retained Official Control Regulations \(OCR\) 2017/625](#) (Article 40). These laboratories are under the supervision of the UK National Reference Laboratory for Parasites (Trichinella and Echinococcus), designated by the FSA and Food Standards Scotland (FSS). Trichinella official laboratories in NI will also be under the supervision of the NI National Reference Laboratory for Parasites (Trichinella, Echinococcus and Anisakis), when designated by the FSA, to cover NI interests (under requirements in the [Northern Ireland Protocol](#)).

Cheale Meats  
Orchard Farm  
Little Warley Hall Lane  
Little Warley, Brentwood  
CM13 3EN

### [C&K Meats](#)

Mid Suffolk Business Park  
Pot Ash Lane, Eye  
Suffolk  
IP23 7HE

### [Cranswick Country Foods p.l.c.](#)

Staithes Road  
Preston, Hull



HU12 8TB

Dalehead Foods  
Fulney Lane  
Spalding  
PE12 6EP

[Karro Food Group Ltd.](#)

Hugden Way  
Malton  
YO17 6HG

Tulip Ltd.  
Oakleigh Green  
Westerleigh, Bristol  
BS37 8QZ

Neerock Ltd.  
The Abattoir, Junction Street  
Whitewalls Industrial Estate  
Colne  
BB8 8LH

[Cranswick Country Foods p.l.c.](#)

146 Fenaghy Road  
Cullybackey  
BT42 1EA

[Karro Food Group Ltd.](#)

70 Molesworth Road  
Cookstown  
BT80 8PJ

William Grant & Co. Ltd.  
16 Coney Road  
Londonderry  
BT48 8JP

## **Other specified official 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**

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