

Application for consultation to determine the status of a novel food, pursuant to Article 4(2) of the above Regulation

Olio di lentisco (Oil from berries of *Pistacia lentiscus*)

Recipient Member State: Italian Ministry of Health. Directorate-General for Hygiene, Food Safety and Nutrition.

Justification

The evaluation of the request sent shows that the product in question is included in the list of traditional food products contained in Ministerial Decree n. 350 of 1999 of the Ministry of Agricultural and Forestry Policies.

According to the aforementioned decree, agri-food products with an history of traditional consumption of at least 25 years prior to the publication of the aforementioned DM are considered as traditional foods.

Given that, we concluded that the product referred to as “olio di lentisco” (oil obtained from *Pistacia lentiscus* berries) has a history of consumption prior to May 1997.

We would therefore inform you that “olio di lentisco” (oil obtained from the *Pistacia lentiscus* berries) is not to be considered a novel food ex reg. 2015/2283.

The name to be used for the ingredient will be "olio di lentisco (oil obtained from *Pistacia lentiscus* berries)".