

Consultation request for the determination of the novel food status ARTICLE 4 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283

Consultation request to determine the novel food status of iron-enriched yeast.

Recipient Member State: Czech Republic, Ministry of Agriculture, Food Safety Department

Date: 13/12/2023

Name and description of the novel food:

The request concerns iron-enriched yeast, which is intended to be used in food supplements.

Iron-enriched yeast is an inactivated dried whole cell yeast obtained from culture of a non-genetically modified strain of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast. The resulting product is a non-viable spray-dried iron enriched yeast with iron content of 1 %.

Novel food status:

Novel food

Novel food category:

Category: Art. 3(2) (a)(ii)

Reason statements:

Competent authorities of the EU Member States and the European Commission were consulted. A history of consumption to a significant degree prior May 1997 has not been demonstrated for the iron-enriched yeast. Therefore, food or food supplement consists of iron-enriched yeast are considered novel foods.