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Milk Industry Concerns -A Regulatory Perspective

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What is the price of safety? What needs to be done to reassure consumers that pasteurized milk and milk products are a remarkably safe food? Are milk regulatory programs at the federal, state and local levels adequate to prevent milkborne disease outbreaks?

These are some of the questions which have surfaced in the past few months, resulting from what appears to be an increase in the number of disease outbreaks attributed to milk products.

According to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), less than 1% of all outbreaks of food poisoning reported in the past decade have been attributed to milk. Dr. Morris Potter of the federal Centers for Disease Control (CDC) quoted in an Associated Press story said, "If one looks at the total volume of pasteurized milk consumed, the attack rate is very, very low. Pasteurized milk is a safe food." (1)

Even though milk is responsible for such a small percentage of food related disease outbreaks, those of us who have devoted much of our lives to assuring consumers that milk is the safest source of food in the United States are concerned. Of equal or greater concern is the dairy industry and the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments (NCIMS).

The NCIMS is a voluntary organi-

zation directed and controlled by the member States and open to all persons interested in its objective of promoting the availability of a high quality milk supply. It is governed by an Executive Board whose members include representatives from state departments of health and agriculture, the FDA, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and industry.

Through their collaborative efforts, the FDA and the NCIMS have developed a cooperative, federal-state program (the Interstate Milk Shipper Program) to ensure the sanitary quality of milk and milk products shipped interstate. The Program is operated primarily by the States, with FDA providing varying degrees of scientific, technical and inspection assistance. The result has been the establishment of a viable and effective certification and enforcement program which has been of significant benefit to consumers. (2)

The most significant milkborne disease outbreaks and related incidents which have occurred in the 80's include:

- Yersinosis in Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi - 1982
- Listeriosis in Massachusetts -July/August 1985, and in California - May/June, 1985
- Salmonellosis in Illinois March/April, 1985
- Staphylococcal Enterotoxin in Kentucky - September, 1985

- Contamination of milk with cleaning solutions in Florida and California, 1984 and 85
- Recall of French Brie Cheese -1986 (Listeriosis contamination)

The apparent increase of milk related incidents and more specifically the number recorded during 1985, coupled with the "Granddaddy" of

them all - The Hillfarm Dairy Salmonellosis Outbreak, Melrose Park, Illinois - from which over 16,000 cultured confirmed cases were isolated has proliferated much concern.

At the invitation of FDA, a two day meeting was held September 17-18, 1985, in Washington, D.C., among FDA's Milk Safety Branch, NCIMS/FDA Liaison Committee, Chairman NCIMS, National Milk Producers Federation and American Dry Milk Institute.

During this two day discussion, many concerns felt to have some bearing on recent milkborne illnesses were expressed. A partial listing follows:

> Do we know ramifications of new industry installations/ processes?

(a) Are regulatory people adequately examining new processes?

(b) Is industry providing sufficient documentation of effectiveness of new equipment/processes, etc.?

(c) Are Pasteurized Milk

Ordinance (PMO) requirements regarding plant modifications being enforced? (3)

(d) Is there sufficient expertise for equipment review by FDA and states?

(e) Is better control of plant modifications needed by regulatory agencies?

2. Are industry operators/supervisors adequately trained in public health principles?

(a) Needed training is not being provided at universities in many areas.

(b) PMO requirements may not be familiar to industry management and operators.

(c) Is there a need to train and certify plant HTST operators?

3. Have regulatory budget constraints and program reductions played a part or contributed to the problem?

(a) Has the trend away from specialists to generalists in regulatory programs caused ineffectiveness?

(b) Has reduced number of regulatory inspections allowed industry to relax quality standards?

(c) Is there too much emphasis on quantity in place of quality inspections?

4. Is there a need to stress the importance of adequately trained and experienced inspectors?

(a) Is additional training for generalists needed?

(b) Is more specialization needed?

5. How many plants have potential blending or cross connection problems? Do we know?

(a) Are there alternatives to blending approaches?

(b) Are present PMO required controls adequate to ensure prevention of post pasteurization contamination?

- 6. How is reclaimed milk being handled?
- 7. How effective are our milk

tanker cleaning/sanitizing requirements?

- 8. Should we be more concerned about what products are being back hauled in milk trucks?
- Are equipment maintenance requirements adequate? Do regulatory ratings/check ratings adequately evaluate equipment?
- Are pinholes and defects in HTST regenerator plates a problem?
- 11. What is to be done to provide adequate training of regulatory and industry personnel?
- 12. Is the amount of training by FDA's State Training Branch sufficient?
- Could the NCIMS develop a mechanism or standard course to assist FDA's State Training Branch?
- 14. Will there be increased industry adverse actions under provisions of NCIMS due to more intensified inspections/ check ratings by regulatory agencies?
- 15. Have we become too comfortable and developed the feeling that nothing will go wrong with our dairy products?

From this meeting in September, FDA developed Dairy Program Initiatives (4) and the Agency Compliance Program for 1986.

Under the capable and dedicated leadership of Jerry Kozak, Chief, FDA's Milk Safety Branch, a two week "Advanced Training for Milk Specialists" was held in Lexington, Kentucky, in February, 1986.

Course objectives were to increase the proficiency of Milk Specialists in the areas of new technologies and to emphasize trouble-shooting in pasteurization plants as it relates to preventing future problems.

In addition to many hours of classroom instruction (including several night sessions as well as weekends) hands-on plant training was conducted at Winchester Farms Dairy and Nutrisearch International, Winchester, Kentucky, and The Kroger Technical Center, Highland Heights, Kentucky. Also, a simulated Check Rating was conducted at Borden, Inc., Lexington, Kentucky. The contribution made by these companies represents the "Utopia" of regulatory/ industry cooperation.

The privilege to attend this workshop as a state milk regulatory official will no doubt remain one of the highlights of my 28 year public health career.

I was most pleased with the general agreement between Milk Specialists from all FDA Regions and the desire on the part of the Milk Safety Branch staff to provide leadership and promote standardization.

FDA response from this workshop to state and local milk regulatory agencies will be forthcoming in three basic areas:

- (a) Questions and Answers as presently submitted from Regional Seminars for State Milk Sanitation Rating Officers
- (b) M-a coded memoranda (PMO interpretations)
- (c) Problems submitted to the '87 NCIMS for needed PMO revisions.

The attitude of the Milk Safety Branch that professional judgement and rationale be used in future check ratings under the new initiatives is most encouraging. The events of the past several months is not cause for panic, but a reason for concern, reevaluation and program compliance to the fullest.

With the dedicated efforts of FDA, state and local regulatory agencies and the dairy industry, the NCIMS objective to "Promote the Best Possible Milk Supply for all the People" will continue to be met.

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Pesticides, Meat Animal Production and Residues in Food

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Need for Pesticide Use

Animal Production. Production of any meat animal species is accompanied by problems with destructive insect, disease, and/or weed pests. Beef and dairy animals are beset by horn flies, face flies, screwworms, ticks, cattle grubs (heel flies), stable flies, scabies mites and other pests. Without pest control, swine suffer from infestations of mange mites, lice, and various fly species. Sheep production is hampered by losses from keds (sheep ticks), lice, ticks, blow fly strike, head bots, and black flies. Broiler and egg production losses occur from fowl mites, feather mites, and lice. In addition, neighborhoods surrounding livestock production facilities demand control of house flies and stable flies that breed in animal manure (4,17).

Many of the arthropod pests of livestock are carriers of animal and human diseases, thus compounding the seriousness of their impact (4, 17).

Feed Production. Pasture and range weeds compete with desirable forage plants. Some are poisonous to live-stock and cause abortion, birth deformities, or death (2,7).

Livestock production depends upon a reliable and economical supply of feed grain and forage crops. These crops incur competition and damage from a wide array of insect, plant disease, and weed pests from planting time through harvest and even in storage (2,8,16).

Officials estimate annual U.S. losses of over \$20 billion from crop plant pests and nearly \$4 billion from arthropod pests of livestock (2,4,8,15). Not only are the livelihoods of farmers and ranchers at stake, but so is the welfare of all Americans and people throughout the world who depend on food from the United States. Hence, such insect, plant disease, and weed pests must be controlled. Despite much progress in the use of alternative pest management methods, severe pest outbreaks still occur. Chemical pesticides are generally fast acting, comparatively inexpensive, and readily available. But, no matter what stage of the production system a pesticide is used in, it could potentially result in residues in meat, milk, eggs or other food items.

It is the collective responsibility of the government, the pesticide industry, and individual pesticide users to ensure that pesticides used to maintain an adequate food supply do not result in an unsafe food supply.

Pesticide Residues and Tolerances

What are Pesticide Residues? The pesticide which remains in or on food or feed is called a residue. Many times a long-lasting residue is desirable for long-term pest control. Residues which may remain in food or feed at harvest or slaughter, however, are carefully monitored to avoid hazards to the humans and domestic animals which will eat them.

Consideration of some chemical and physical characteristics of pesticides and of environmental factors acting on pesticides is in order. Useful persistence of a pesticide on the target site, and potentially harmful residues in meat or milk, are dependent upon many factors.

First is the chemical stability of the active ingredient. This is affected by the nature of the carrier and other chemicals in the formulation of the product. Each pesticide has an inherent potential for persistence or nonpersistence. Other factors including the application rate, placement, frequency of application, and the permeability of the target site regulate the expression of that inherent degree of persistence. Once on the target site, ultraviolet light (sunlight), rain and moisture, alkalinity or acidity, and microbial action begin to detoxify and destroy the material. These influences affect each pesticide according to its inherent stability.

Pesticides applied directly to the animal are considered systemic if they are readily absorbed into the skin, transported in the circulatory system, and not rapidly destroyed by the animal's metabolic processes. Pesticides which are applied directly to the animal but are either not readily absorbed through the skin or are rapidly broken down in the animal's metabolic processes are considered *nonsystemic* (contact) pesticides.

Finally, the likelihood of residues occurring in meat or milk depends on the pesticide surviving the foregoing processes, entering the animal through dermal (skin) absorption, orally (from licking), or by inhalation, and by whether that specific pesticide is stored in animal tissue or rapidly voided in the urine or feces.

Before any product can be legally marketed as a pesticide it must be registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). To meet registration requirements, the manufacturer must perform exhaustive testing for efficacy and safety. The foregoing factors influencing the fate of each candidate pesticide are studied. When the material is registered by the EPA, the "Use Directions" on the label will be based on those factors. *The label, together with any literature to which it refers, has the force of law.* It is unlawful to detach, alter, deface or destroy the label. *Used as directed,* the pesticide will not result in residues (or any health threatening degradation products thereof) exceeding legal tolerances in meat or animal products such as milk and eggs.

What are Pesticide Tolerances? The EPA sets pesticide residue tolerances for all crop and animal products intended for food or feed. A tolerance is the maximum amount of pesticide residue which may remain on or in treated crops and animals that are to be sold for food or feed. These tolerances are determined by extensive testing. To insure safety, the levels usually are set at least 100 times lower than the known "no-effect level." If the residue exceeds the tolerance, the food or feed may not be marketed or sold.

In some cases, degradation products resulting from a pesticide's breakdown have been found at certain concentrations to be toxic, carcinogenic, or otherwise health threatening. In such cases the regulatory procedures described above, relative to pesticide residues, also apply to pesticide degradation compounds.

A pesticide applicator cannot measure residues on crops and livestock, because such measurements require highly specialized equipment and techniques. Only by following label instructions exactly can one be sure that treated products will have residues well below the tolerance level when marketed. Especially important are instructions on correct dosages and on minimum days to harvest, slaughter, or grazing.

Consumer Concerns About Residues

As discussed above, residues are detectable pesticidal chemicals remaining after application. Indeed, it is these residues which adversely affect the pest, i.e. kill, sterilize, repel, or otherwise "control" the pest.

In some cases, a long term residue, referred to as "long residual activity", is highly desirable. An example is in termite control where a single treatment of the soil around a building's foundation forms a "chemical barrier" (residue) that may last for 30 years or more. An example of moderately long residual activity is in "at planting" or "preplant" applications of pesticides (herbicides, fungicides, insecticides, nematicides, etc.) which provide season-long protection against various pests. When "long residual" chemicals are applied according to label directions, 1) long-term pest control is obtained, 2) applicator exposure is reduced because fewer applications are made (compared to short residual chemicals, and 3) adverse environmental impact is minimal.

In many cases, however, short residual activity is absolutely necessary. "Short residual activity" is a relative term, but it is generally thought of as less than 14 days. Short residual pesticides are used in most pest control programs around food processing plants. Indeed pyrethrin, an insecticide commonly used for fly control in food processing plants, is effective for less than 24 hours.

Residues are a consumer concern because they are poisons and, under experimental conditions, some pesticides have been linked to cancer, birth defects, etc. in laboratory test animals. Some are more potent than others. Rodenticides and insecticides act on humans in much the same way as they do on the target pest, affecting the nervous system, stomach, etc. Other classes of pesticides, such as herbicides and fungicides, are chemicals "designed" to adversely affect plant and fungus systems and are generally less toxic to animal systems (3).

Pesticide Monitoring

Residue Sampling. Sampling for residues begins when a raw agricultural product enters the channels of commerce. The distribution of responsibilities among government agencies is complex, but in general it is the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that monitors animal carcasses and poultry after slaughter, and both fresh and processed meats, for pesticide residues exceeding tolerances. Eggs, milk, and cheeses are monitored by other divisions of the USDA. The Food and Drug Administration assists in tracing the source of residues when violations are detected by the FSIS in animal products. The FDA also monitors for pesticide residues in canned and frozen foods and many other food items.

A pesticide label may say, "Do not apply within 10 days of harvest" or "do not apply within 5 days of slaughter." If the label directions are followed, residue levels will be acceptable when the food or feed is sampled. Residue sampling continues throughout the food and feed processing and distribution systems up to the point where the consumer purchases the end product. If illegal residues are detected at any point along the line, the food or feed is immediately seized and the source of the illegal residues is determined. Heavy regulatory penalties, including fines and imprisonment, are imposed and the contaminated material is disposed of properly.

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Residues are measured in parts per million (ppm), parts per billion (ppb) and, as technology allows, parts per trillion (ppt). The following examples illustrate how tiny these residue amounts are: 1 ppm is 1 inch in 16 miles, 1 ppb is 1 inch in 16,000 miles and 1 ppt is 1 inch in 16,000,000 miles (642.6 times around the earth at the equator).

Traceability to Source. The government residue sampling procedure allows for traceability should illegal residues show up. Regulatory agencies have the authority to sample food (raw and processed) for pesticide residues at any time after the commodity enters the channels of commerce. Because it is physically impossible to sample every food item (animal, cut of meat, gallon of milk, egg), both unannounced and routine spot samplings are conducted. The following example illustrates the conceptual system. Fifty calves are sold to a feedlot. Samples for residues are "clean" (legal) and the producer gets paid. The animals are fed for 140 days and sent to slaughter - samples are "clean." The feedlot operator gets paid. The animals are slaughtered and processing begins. Twenty carcasses go to processor A and 30 go to B. For simplicity, suppose processor A makes hamburger. Residue samples are taken and show illegal levels of pesticide residue. The regulatory agency (FDA) seizes the hamburger, checks the records and finds the meat was "clean" from the producer through the slaughterhouse; therefore, the contamination came while in possession of processor A. Regulatory action is taken.

Residue Avoidance: Alternatives to Pesticides

Farmers and ranchers have long recognized the value of nonchemical approaches to preventing or controlling pests. Cultivation is older than herbicides as a weed control method. Crop rotation is used to help control weeds, insects, and diseases. Animals are groomed and their bedding changed partially to control insect and mite pests. Controlled timing and rate of pasture use, pasture rotation and grassland burning are a few of the tools of range management which reduce numbers of some livestock pest species. Most of these methods are not so much *alternatives* that replace pesticides as they are useful *adjuncts* to pesticide use which reduce the amount of pesticide needed.

In recent years, livestock producers have joined others in the use of integrated pest management (IPM). IPM is a concept in which old and new ideas are blended harmoniously, using carefully selected combinations of cultural, physical, biological and chemical methods to control pests (1). Some examples follow:

Sanitation is a key element in preventing and controlling livestock pests. Not only does sanitation reduce the need and frequency of pesticide use, but without sanitation no pesticide use program can be completely successful in confinement operations. The main factor in sanitation is waste management including manure handling and proper disposal of dead animals, afterbirth and other animal matter such as the products of docking, castration, dehorning and ear notching.

Manure is removed and scattered on fields or piled and packed in a mound to reduce fly populations and promote rain water runoff. House flies can develop from egg to adult in fewer than 7 days, so weekly or more frequent manure disposal is advised throughout the warm months. On small farms, some farmers harrow the pasture frequently to break up cow dung pats and reduce survival of horn fly, face fly and stable fly larvae. Modern slatted floor livestock rearing pens with liquid manure systems also must be properly designed and maintained to prevent fly problems.

Wet spots and low areas where manure stays wet are the primary sources of fly production. Feed spills around feeders and bunks as well as wet hay and bedding are also sites for maggot development. Cattle and hog producers find that eliminating such decaying plant materials is especially important in controlling the blood-sucking stable fly. Care in designing, building and maintaining facilities for feed, water and livestock handling can "build out" corners and crannies which are difficult to clean.

Screening and other structural barriers are employed in modern poultry, dairy and swine production units to control flies.

Isolation of incoming animals which may be carrying mange or scabies, lice and ticks can prevent transfer of such parasites to other animals. Infested animals are treated and elimination of their pests is verified before they are mixed with the rest of the herd or flock. To prevent reinfestation, many livestock breeding operations maintain "closed herds" after eliminating such obligate parasites. This practice markedly reduces further need for pesticides.

Biological control by natural enemies of livestock pests occurs constantly without our notice. Many beetle species and beneficial mites prey on fly eggs and larvae; various tiny wasps parasitize fly pupae. Without these beneficial creatures, pest problems would be much worse than they are. Entomologists have learned how to manipulate such natural control agents to provide satisfactory pest control in rigorously managed poultry production units and some types of dairy operations (11,12). Although parasitic wasps are sold to many swine and beef cattle feedlots for fly control, such efforts have thus far provided little benefit in most parts of the country (14). As biological control technology advances, other types of livestock operations may be able to incorporate biological control more fully into their pest management practices.

Genetic resistance to pests has become an important means of protection for many crop plant species. The development of genetic resistance is just beginning to receive attention in livestock breeding. Bos indicus (Brahman and Zebu) cattle have been heavily utilized in South America, the southern United States and in Australia for their resistance to ticks. Recent USDA work has shown unrestrained Brahman calves and Brahman/ Hereford crossbreed calves to be refractory to the establishment of psoroptic scabies (5, and pers. comm. W. F. Fisher, Oct. 23, 1985). Certain genetic lines of Leghorn hens are found to have resistance to northern fowl mite infestations (10). Possibly, resistance factors can be genetically transferred to other breeds of animals. Perhaps resistance to additional pests can be developed in cattle and other classes of livestock, but there are limitations. These methods generally take a long time to develop. Also, just as insect pests often develop resistance to insecticides, they sometimes adapt to formerly resistant host animals or plants.

Health maintenance is an important aspect of reducing susceptibility of livestock to pest infestations and of reducing the negative effect of pests and parasites that do attack them. Correct nutrition and adequate shelter from extreme heat and cold are foremost in maintaining animal health. Adequate space avoids stress from overcrowding and allows freedom of movement for self and mutual grooming. Cattle lice and scabies develop much more rapidly in conditions where the host animals are restricted from grooming (6,9). Good animal health also is facilitated by control of rats, mice and nuisance birds.

Proper Use of Pesticides

Pest identification, biology and behavior. First and foremost in the use of any pesticide is the correct identification of the pest. Once the identity of the pest is known, the next important information, its biology and behavior, is available from research publications.

The importance of specific pest identification can be illustrated using flies as an example. Many species of flies are pests of livestock. Therefore, an identification of the pest as being a "fly" is meaningless because each species' biology and behavior is different. For this illustration let's just compare the horn fly, face fly and stable fly.

Breeding site: Horn fly eggs are deposited on very fresh (still warm) cow manure; face fly eggs are deposited on moist manure (which may be 2 to 3 days old); stable fly eggs are deposited in decomposing plant matter (straw soaked with urine and manure, compost, piles of grass) but not manure alone (17). The maggots develop where the eggs were deposited and ultimately the adult flies emerge. Hence, to control maggots the sanitary practices or insecticide treatments are determined by the breeding site.

Adult behavior: Horn fly adults feed on blood primarily from along the back line and shoulders of cattle; face fly adults are found on the animal's "face," i.e., eyes, nose, mouth where they feed on mucous secretions; and stable fly adults suck animal blood - biting mostly at knee level or below. As can be seen, the species of "fly" determines where an insecticide must be applied on the animals if it is to be effective. *Pesticide selection* follows pest identification. Careful selection is needed for a pesticide which will control the pest yet be safe to the applicator, livestock and environment, and leave no illegal residue.

The first step in the selection is to read the label(s) to be sure both the intended site of application, whether direct animal (beef, swine, poultry, etc.), livestock premises or milk rooms, and pest, e.g., horn flies, ticks, lice, are on the label. Second, read the restrictions such as "Remove all animals before application," "Do not apply to animals under 6 months old," "Do not apply to Brahman cattle," to be sure the product can be used as intended (see "Withdrawal Periods" below). Third, consider the formulation, i.e., wettable powder, dust, emulsifiable concentrate, bait, etc. There may be two or more formulations of the same active ingredient. This leads to considering factors such as cost, weather conditions (sprays freeze in the winter), available equipment, method of application (dust bags, baits, feed through), number of applications, etc.

This discussion of pesticide selection is not a complete step by step analysis; but, rather, is intended to point out some of the major considerations. The pesticide user has the responsibility of checking reliable sources of information, such as extension personnel, product labels, pesticide dealers, etc. to select the best possible pesticide for each intended use.

Pesticide mixing, dosage and timing. In general, the most hazardous phase of applying pesticides is the *mixing* phase. This is because the applicator must handle a highly concentrated form (often over 50 percent active ingredient) of the pesticide. Protective equipment is most essential while mixing.

In the mixing phase water or other carriers are added to a concentrated pesticide product to form a more dilute mixture that will be applied. Great care in following all label instructions is a must. Inaccurate measurements lead to 1) possible illegal residues, 2) waste of chemical, 3) poor pest control or 4) poisoned livestock. The amount of pesticide to use for each site and pest is shown on the label.

Timing the application to be most effective is a key factor in pest control. Applications can be either too early or too late to be effective. Timing factors vary with the pest and are influenced by temperature, moisture, food source, natural enemies and other local factors. Computer programs are being developed to aid applicators in the accurate timing of applications. In the meantime, applicators should continue to consult extension personnel, pesticide labels and chemical dealers for advice on timing pesticide applications.

Withdrawal period refers to the time it takes for the pesticide residue to break down to a level below the established tolerance. The withdrawal period is the number of days from the last pesticide application to sale or slaughter. Withdrawal periods range from 0 days to several weeks. The withdrawal period, or rate of breakdown, depends on the active ingredient, rate of application, formulation, site of application and other factors, all of which are taken into account in gathering the support data required by the EPA and the FDA when a product is registered. The withdrawal periods are stated on the label for each registered use and must be strictly observed to avoid illegal residues.

Examples of Pesticide Use Decisions

Direct animal treatment indicates that a pesticide is applied directly to animals. This may be done in hundreds of ways involving many formulations and use rates and various methods of application - dipping, spraying, dusting, pour-ons, etc. The application may range from total immersion (dipping) of cattle with a long residual chlorinated hydrocarbon insecticide such as toxaphene (28-day withdrawal) or lindane (60-day withdrawal) to a light spraying of a very short residual material such as pyrethrin (a botanical) or DDVP (an organophosphorous insecticide) for which there are 0-day required withdrawal periods. If there is no extra benefit to be gained by using the "heaviest" treatment, then the "light" treatment should be chosen.

For control of lice or ticks, one may spray animals with any of several materials including some which are also systemic and some which are not. Some of the nonsystemic insecticides are just as effective and would be the preferred choice as they are less likely to result in residues in the meat. Such considerations become especially important when nearing market time.

Premise treatment. Treatment of barns and pens is allowed with some insecticides which are not registered for direct use on animals. Illegal residues may result 1) when the wrong chemicals are used on premises, 2) if excessive application results in runoff that the animals may drink, 3) if the animals are not removed during premise treatment, or 4) if proper care is not taken to avoid contaminating feed and water during treatment.

Feed additives (oral larvicides). One way of controlling fly species that breed in livestock manure is by mixing small amounts of suitable insecticides into animal rations so that the resulting manure is pretreated. This is commonly referred to as the "feed through" method. Of course, only a few insecticides (e.g., those with relatively low mammalian toxicity which are minimally affected by digestion and are not readily absorbed in the digestive tract) can be used in this way. One currently in use is methoprene (or Altosid^(R) in Moorman's IGR Products) available in mineral mixes and blocks for beef and dairy cattle. Another is tetrachlorvinphos which is available as Rabon^(R) Oral Larvicide in premixed feeds, blocks, and mineral formulations for beef and dairy cattle and as Swine Oral Larvicide^(R) for swine. No pre-slaughter or pre-lactation waiting intervals are required for these two materials. Improper mixing or overdosing could conceivably result in illegal amounts of residues in food. Also animal poisoning or illegal residues could result if livestock should gain access to stored insecticides not yet diluted into the ration.

Treatment of feed crops. Residues in meat or milk may result from crop pesticides drifting or accidentally sprayed onto forage or pasture. These may be materials never intended for use either on such crops or directly on animals. A common route of chemical entry into animal roughage feeds is the harvesting of hay or forage that may have been treated with the proper chemical but harvested before the required waiting interval. An example is the common need for treating alfalfa fields to control alfalfa weevils. Many insecticides are available for this use, and some require no waiting interval. A popular insecticide for alfalfa weevil control in recent years has been carbofuran (Furadan^(R) 4F). Depending on the labeled rate used, withdrawal periods range from 7 days at the lowest rate to 28 days at the maximum rate. Even the low rate gives good control in most situations; and if this insecticide is chosen for weevil control near hay cutting time, only the low rate should be used. However, some applicators have been known to use the full pound rate to assure the "best control job" without consulting the producer as to his planned harvest schedule. Communication between the applicator and producer is important. One who buys hay should insist on knowing the history of pesticide treatment - what products, when, and how much.

Similarly, residues from field treated feed grain crops end up as residues in meat. For example, dimethoate (Cygon^(R)), commonly used for spider mite control on corn, has one of the longer required waiting intervals of 42 days before grain harvest. Aldicarb (Temik^(R) 15G), which may be applied at planting time to grain sorghum or soybeans, has an even longer required waiting interval of 90 days before harvest, and green forage is not to be fed at all. This is ordinarily no problem because both grain sorghum and soybeans require more than 90 days to mature. Trouble could result, however, if early summer drought caused a farmer to salvage what he could by making fodder of his milo crop or allowing livestock to graze the soybeans before 90 days had passed.

Finally, stored grain may be treated with fumigants and certain other insecticides to prevent excessive damage by granary pests. Improper application to stored grain, failure to aerate the grain before using it as feed, and using it before required waiting intervals have passed could result in poisoned animals and/or illegal residues in meat, milk, or eggs.

The mention of commercial products in this publication implies neither their approval nor disapproval as compared to other products not named.

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A Closer Look at Dairy Safety

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Confronted with a recent flurry of food poisoning outbreaks involving contaminated milk and cheese, FDA has called for increased surveillance of the nation's dairy industry.

Two major outbreaks in the Midwest and in California in 1985 and several other incidents in recent years led FDA to conclude that greater efforts by industry and federal and state regulators are needed to make sure such incidents don't continue.

More intensive training programs for federal and state inspectors, educational programs for dairy industry personnel on the potential dangers to milk products from pathogenic (disease-causing) organisms, and more thorough inspections of the country's dairy plants and other dairy operations were urged by FDA in a fivepage memorandum sent to state regulatory and dairy officials in December.

Although many food safety and adulteration provisions found in federal law apply to milk and other dairy products, the day-to-day responsibility for monitoring the industry - from the dairy farm to the finished product - rests primarily with state and local public health and regulatory agencies.

Agency officials said a main objective of the new federal initiative was to work with and to encourage state regulatory agencies and the industry in identifying and eliminating any unknown problems in the production of dairy products to prevent new food poisoning outbreaks.

Should people be concerned about the continued safety of the milk supply? According to Jerome J. Kozak, chief of FDA's milk safety branch in Washington, D.C., "The answer, unequivocally, is no. I am not at all concerned about the integrity of the nation's milk supply, but I am concerned about the unknown - what we don't know.

"FDA is not saying there is a major crisis in the dairy industry," he added. "These initiatives are not being undertaken because there is a known, serious problem in the industry. The agency's purpose is to identify problems that *may* exist. We need to understand whether there is a pattern developing or whether these outbreaks were isolated incidents. We don't have as much information as we should have, and we need to make intelligent decisions based on good data."

FDA officials also emphasize that, despite the recent outbreaks, milk is one of the safest foods consumed by Americans. In 1938, for example, milk caused about one-fourth of all illnesses due to contaminated foods and water. Today, milk and fluid milk products are associated with less than 1 percent of all such outbreaks.

Milk is probably more closely regulated at the federal and state levels than any other food. But, occasional outbreaks of illness do occur. The most serious of recent years occurred last spring and summer. Contaminated low-fat milk produced by a Chicago-area dairy in March and April of 1985 resulted in the worst Salmonella outbreak in U.S. history. More than 16,000 persons in six midwestern states - most of them in Illinois - were stricken. The Salmonella organism caused the deaths of two persons and probably contributed to the deaths of four or five others, according to officials (see "Of Microbes and Milk: Probing America's Worst Salmonella Outbreak" in the February 1986 FDA Consumer, also reprinted in the April 1986 issue of *Dairy and Food Sanitation*).

An outbreak of another bacterial disease, listeriosis, was blamed for the deaths of 84 people and more than 150 illnesses in California last year. Most of those who died were unborn and newborn babies of Hispanic mothers. The epidemic, investigators said, was linked to the consumption of a soft, Mexican-style cheese. The outbreak prompted FDA to undertake a national survey and product sampling program of soft cheese manufacturers throughout the country.

In February 1986, six brands of imported French Brie soft cheese were recalled after FDA found that they were contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the bacteria that cause listeriosis. Although some illnesses were reported, the agency couldn't be sure they were caused by the cheese. As of mid-February, FDA also was testing other brands of imported French Brie to see if any more were contaminated.

FDA's memorandum also mentions several other incidents: a listeriosis outbreak in Massachusetts in 1983 in which some 49 illnesses and 14 deaths were linked to pasteurized whole or 2 percent milk; a yersiniosis outbreak involving pasteurized milk that affected some 172 people in Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi in July 1982; staphylococcal enterotoxin contamination of chocolate milk in 1985 that caused at least 860 pupils in the Meade County, Kentucky, school system to become ill; and contamination of milk with cleaning solutions in Florida and California, also in 1985. The numbers of those who became ill are based on cases reported to health authorities and where the contaminating organisms are identified through laboratory analysis. The actual number who became ill probably was higher, since many people don't report their food-borne illnesses.

The exact causes of the contamination in Illinois, California and Massachusetts were never firmly established. The principal theory in the Illinois case is that unpasteurized, possibly contaminated, milk was able to inadvertently get into the pipes that carried pasteurized skim milk and thus contaminated the low-fat milk that was being produced. The most likely source for the contamination, investigators said, was a small length of pipe - called a cross-connection that linked piping carrying unpastuerized milk on one side to pipes carrying pasteurized skim milk on the other. The cross-connection had been installed by the dairy some years after the plant was built.

The Chicago-area dairy produced low-fat milk by blending pasteurized whole milk with pasteurized skim milk. The process is known as postpasteurization blending because no further pasteurization is done after the blending occurs. A number of dairies use this method of processing, and FDA has not questioned it as long as proper safety procedures are followed.

In discussing the various outbreaks, Kozak pointed out: "We did not discover any common denominators from a technology standpoint. One purpose of our latest initiative is to find out if there are any common patterns or factors that may pose a potential public health problem." The monitoring of the nation's milk and dairy products, to a great extent, is done through a memorandum of understanding between FDA and the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments, an organization in which all the states are represented. This primarily involves so-called Grade A dairy plant operations. Separate federal regulations and individual state requirements are employed to regulate non-Grade A dairy products, including cheese.

The basic standards that dairies

must meet in the production of Grade A milk and other dairy products are spelled out in the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance that was developed by FDA in a joint effort with the states and the industry. The ordinance's requirements form the basis of the milk safety and inspection laws of all the states.

FDA's latest initiative reflects the agency's concern about the need for more training programs for federal and state dairy investigators as well as for dairy industry personnel. Major emphasis would be on familiarizing them with the complex and changing technology used in dairy processing and of the potential for contamination of milk products after they have been pasteurized.

FDA already has completed one training program for some 40 of its investigators on dairy product safety, with emphasis on evaluating the dairy operations technology. The training sessions were held at Utah State University in Logan, one of the leading dairy science schools in the country. Another training session for some two dozen FDA milk specialists was held in February in Lexington, KY, where some of the classes were conducted in a large, modern dairy there.

The states are also encouraged to undertake their own training programs, in cooperation with FDA and industry. FDA is urging the states to be alert to modifications dairies make to their original plant designs. Such changes are common because of changing market demands for dairy products. In its memorandum, FDA notes that "major changes have been made in the dairy industry regarding the handling of milk after pasteurization and before packaging." Calling for a "comprehensive review and evaluation of critical control points and possible routes of contamination" of post-pasteurization blending operations, the memorandum adds:

"There has been a proliferation of pipelines connecting raw unpasteurized and pasteurized storage and holding tanks in dairy plants. These connecting lines present easy by-passes around the pasteurizer [the unit in which unpasteurized milk is heattreated to kill any harmful organisms, thus permitting post-pasteurization contamination in the event of equipment failure or operator error. The existing equipment controls and operating procedures need to be closely examined to ensure that any potential opportunities are completely eliminated."

The need for regulatory agencies to have up-to-date diagrams of dairy operations also was stressed in the FDA memorandum.

"In many cases," it pointed out, "up-to-date diagrams of all operations within the plant are not available. In addition, it is unclear whether all modifications to existing systems and renovations are being submitted to the state or local regulatory agency for evaluation as to their effect on the entire plant system. It is also unclear whether adequate plan review is being provided to assure that the design of plants incorporates no "crossconnections" between pasteurized product equipment and raw product equipment and piping..."

The agency noted that its inspections of soft cheese manufacturers after the California illness outbreaks have revealed "similar problems with respect to potential bypasses around the pasteurizer, post-pasteurization blending, and the lack of education and training [of dairy employees]." FDA said that its cheese plant inspections also had disclosed other contributing factors that were not found during its inspection of plants producing Grade A milk products. These included defects in the pasteurization process, the presence of pathogenic organisms on surfaces in the processing and storage areas, and discrepancies in pasteurization charts and other records.

FDA said dairy industry personnel also should receive more training. "The lack of awareness of dairy plant employees concerning the public health consequences of improper pasteurization or post-pasteurization contamination has sometimes contributed to conditions leading to dairy plant processing problems," the memorandum declared.

Although state and local regulatory agencies are primarily responsible for inspecting all phases of dairy operations within a state, FDA also conducts its own so-called "check ratings." In effect, FDA sends its own milk specialists to evaluate a plant and the rating that state inspectors have given it. Dairy plants must pass the state rating in order to ship products interstate.

In the memorandum, FDA also announced it would:

· Conduct more "intensified inspections" of non-Grade A dairy processing firms over the next few vears.

· Obtain samples for possible pathogenic contaminants in finished products when it makes its own inspections and check ratings.

· Makes its own evaluations of key equipment, including pasteurizing equipment, pipes, cleaning and sanitizing procedures, and required records of daily operations and production.

Acknowledging that the dairy industry was deeply concerned that the outbreaks in recent years could have a negative effect on the public's confidence in the safety of milk products, several industry spokesmen have stressed - as did FDA's Kozak - that the safety record of the nation's dairies, and particularly its milk producers, was still an excellent one. But the outbreaks, industry spokesmen say, cannot be ignored.

"These were important outbreaks that caused great concern not only within the industry but outside of it," said John Adams, director of milk regulatory and animal health affairs for the National Milk Producers Federation in Washington, D.C. "We realize that we have a pretty good track record when you consider that we process an awful lot of product every day. But milk also is a very perishable product, and I would say that the attitude of industry now is and always has been - that we must stay on guard and try to stay on top

of any potential problems."

Expressing concern over possible cutbacks by the federal and state governments in carrying out their inspectional and training activities. Adams stressed that maintaining the safety of milk and milk products required an "active force of people out there doing the job ... The dairy industry cannot be held totally responsible for regulating itself. In many cases we are put in a position of having to regulate our own people, and that is not always easy.

"The public demands more than just responding to a crisis. I think what the public wants us to do is to be out there monitoring and being on top of these problems and, like these new [FDA] initiatives demonstrate, we are going to be."

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Quality of Tomato Paste, Sauce, Puree and Catsup

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Tomatoes are believed to have originated in tropical America and were taken from Mexico or Peru during the 16th Century to Europe where they were called "golden" or "love apples" and grown as a curiosity. During the early 1800s, tomatoes were cultivated for market in Europe, but considerable time passed before they were universally accepted as food. Although Thomas Jefferson cultivated tomatoes in 1781, they did not become popular as a vegetable in America until about 1840. Canning of tomatoes was first recorded in 1847 in Pennsylvania. (2)

Annually Americans use more than 23 pounds of processed tomatoes (exclusive of catsup and sauce) compared with 35 pounds of all other processed vegetables. (2) In dollar value, tomatoes are second to potatoes among all vegetables produced. (2) The retail value of tomato paste and sauce is \$422 million; if spaghetti sauce is included, the total value is \$1.2 billion. (4)

Section 155.191 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (1) defines standards for tomato concentrates. Tomato concentrates are prepared by concentrating one or more of the following: (i) Liquid from mature tomatoes of the red or reddish varieties (*Lycopersicum escelentum* P. Mill.). (ii) Liquid from the residue from preparing tomatoes for canning, consisting of peelings and cores, with or without tomatoes or pieces. (iii) Liquid from the residue from partial extraction of juice from tomatoes. Optional ingredients may include salt, lemon juice or organic acids, sodium bicarbonate, water, spices and flavorings.

Tomato puree or tomato pulp must contain at least 8 percent but less than 24 percent tomato solids. Tomato paste must contain at least 24 percent tomato solids. Although tomato catsup, defined in CFR section 155.194 (1), is made from any combination of tomato ingredients it may also contain optional ingredients, including spices and sweeteners. We have used the spelling "catsup", but ketchup and catchup are equally acceptable. There are no regulations for tomato sauce.

Fifty-nine samples of tomato products (16 pastes, 19 sauces, 9 purees, and 15 catsups) were collected by in-

spectors of the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection at retail stores and examined at The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station for compliance with regulations and for nutrients.

Methods

Analyses were according to Official AOAC Methods (3) or methods defined in CFR 155.3. (1) Glucose and fructose were determined by gas chromatography using a method devised by V. Agarwal in this laboratory (unpublished). The percentage of total carbohydrate and calories were calculated. Calories are the % fat \times 8.79 + [(% total solids - (% fat + % ash))] \times 4. Total carbohydrate is % total solids - (% fat + % protein + % ash). Fiber was measured as crude fiber, essentially non-nutritive material.

Results and Discussion

The moisture, solids, fiber, salt, sodium, total carbohydrate, glucose, fructose, protein, fat, and calories are shown for each of the 59 samples in Table 1. As expected, both fat and protein content were low because tomatoes are not a rich source of these nutrients. All samples contained the amount of product claimed on the label. The percentages of the container filled by each type of product are shown in Table 2.

Pastes: All tomato pastes contained more than 24 percent tomato solids as required by Federal Regulations. The range was 24 to 28.6 percent; the average 25.3 percent (Table 1 and 3). Fiber averaged 2.1 percent. Salt in the pastes, including three labeled "no salt added" (Samples 1, 2, and 6), averaged 0.43 percent. Although samples with labels claiming "no salt added" averaged 0.36 percent, some samples with labels making no claim about salt were slightly lower in salt. (*Table 1*)

The sodium content averaged 99.6 milligrams per 100 grams; the range was from 19 to 295. (Table 3) The

Table 1. Analysis of Tomato Paste, Sauce, Puree, and Catsup.

| Sample No. | Moisture,1 | Solids,%(a) | Fiber,2 | Salt,% | Sodium, mg/100g | Total Carbohydrstes,% | Glucose, % | Fructose, % | Protein.Z | Fat,2 | Calories per 100g |
|---------------|------------|-------------|---------|--------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-------|----------------------|
| PASTE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 73.5 | 26.8 | 2.1 | 0.37 | 165 | 18.4 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 90 |
| 2 | 73.6 | 25.0 | 2.0 | 0.34 | 125 | 18.2 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 0.3 | 90 |
| 3 | 75.1 | 24.0 | 1.8 | 0.31 | 170 | 18.0 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 3.0 | 0.3 | 86 |
| 4 | 74.0 | 25.2 | 2.8 | 0.38 | 19 | 19.8 | 6.2 | 7.9 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 96 |
| 5 | 75.1 | 24.0 | 1.8 | 0.31 | 78 | 19.2 | 6.1 | 7.2 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 93 |
| 6 | 73.8 | 25.4 | 2.0 | 0.37 | 50 | 20.1 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 97 |
| 7 | 72.7 | 26.6 | 2.8 | 0.76 | 295 | 20.4 | 5.7 | 7.4 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 100 |
| 8 | 74.9 | 24.6 | 3.1 | 0.34 | 67 | 19.3 | 6.2 | 7.3 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 96 |
| 0 | 73 8 | 25.7 | 1.8 | 0.45 | 80 | 16.9 | A. A | 6.4 | 4.4 | 0.3 | 88 |
| 10 | 73 5 | 25 3 | 2.0 | 0.33 | 140 | 10.1 | 5 4 | 7 7 | 3.0 | 0.3 | 01 |
| 10 | 75 2 | 23.3 | 2.0 | 0.46 | 70 | 10 0 | 67 | 7.0 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 96 |
| 11 | 73.4 | 29.9 | 2.0 | 0.40 | 10 | 10.0 | 0.1 | 7.0 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 90 |
| 12 | 12.2 | 28.0 | 2.0 | 0.59 | 145 | 20.2 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 4.4 | 0.3 | 101 |
| 13 | 74.1 | 24.5 | 1.7 | 0.41 | 150 | 18.2 | 5.6 | 7.3 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 88 |
| 14 | 76.0 | 24.2 | 2.2 | 0.60 | 115 | 15.5 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 0.3 | 79 |
| 15 | 73.8 | 25.6 | 1.8 | 0.45 | 80 | 16.9 | 4.4 | 6.4 | 4.4 | 0.3 | 88 |
| 16 SAUCE | 75.0 | 24.7 | 1.6 | 0.34 | 140 | 17.8 | 5.4 | 6.8 | 3.4 | 0.3 | 87 |
| 17 | 00 4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1 24 | 4.95 | | 1 7 | 1 5 | 1 2 | 0.2 | 29 |
| 10 | 00.4 | 9.0 | 0.7 | 1 20 | 0.34 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 20 |
| 18 | 90.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 1.20 | 430 | 3./ | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 29 |
| 19 | 90.1 | 8.5 | 0.8 | 1.50 | 433 | 5.7 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 29 |
| 20 | 90.8 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 1.39 | 450 | 5.3 | 1./ | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 21 |
| 21 | 90.1 | 9.9 | 0.7 | 1.50 | 640 | 6.2 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 29 |
| 22 | 90.7 | 8.6 | 0.8 | 1.07 | 415 | 5.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 28 |
| 23 | 91.1 | 7.9 | 0.7 | 0.73 | 235 | 6.4 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 29 |
| 24 | 88.5 | 10.4 | 0.7 | 1.14 | 540 | 7.1 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 37 |
| 25 | 90.2 | 9.1 | 0.7 | 1.44 | 640 | 5.3 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 29 |
| 26 | 90.1 | 9.5 | 1.3 | 0.20 | 19 | 6.1 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 32 |
| 27 | 90.8 | 8.3 | 1.2 | 1.38 | 450 | A.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 25 |
| 28 | 89.6 | 10.2 | 0.6 | 1 48 | 518 | 6.9 | 0.9 | 1 1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 32 |
| 20 | 00.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1 22 | 400 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1 2 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 20 |
| 29 | 90.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.23 | 483 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 29 |
| 30 | 89.9 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 0.90 | 315 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 33 |
| 31 | 89.3 | 10.7 | 0.7 | 0.19 | 2 | 1.0 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 38 |
| 32 | 89.2 | 9.5 | 0.8 | 1.33 | 445 | 6.3 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 33 |
| 33 | 89.8 | 9.6 | 0.7 | 1.00 | 390 | 6.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 32 |
| 34 | 88.9 | 9.6 | 0.7 | 1.46 | 430 | 6.6 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 34 |
| 35 | 90.5 | 9.1 | 0.6 | 1.51 | 543 | 5.3 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 33 |
| PUREE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | 88.8 | 12.1 | 0.9 | 0.24 | 67 | 6.3 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 40 |
| 37 | 85.8 | 13.6 | 1.1 | 0.26 | 85 | 9.8 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 48 |
| 38 | 90.7 | 9.6 | 0.7 | 0.15 | 65 | 6.3 | 1.9 | 2 3 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 32 |
| 30 | 85 4 | 14 3 | 1.0 | 0 23 | 0.9 | 10.0 | 3 4 | 3 7 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 50 |
| 39 | 00.4 | 10.6 | 0.0 | 0.15 | 90 | 7 7 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 1 1 | 0.2 | 27 |
| 40 | 07.4 | 12.0 | 0.9 | 0.13 | 70 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 37 |
| 41 | 80.0 | 13.8 | 0.9 | 0.23 | /0 | 0.5 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 40 |
| 42 | 88.3 | 11.8 | 1.2 | 0.21 | 120 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 39 |
| 43 | 86.7 | 11.4 | 0.9 | 0.18 | 62 | 6.5 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 35 |
| 44 CATSUP | 84.9 | 14.6 | 1.3 | 0.24 | 50 | 10.0 | 3.4 | 5.6 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 51 |
| 45 | 65.1 | 34.9 | 0.7 | 2.98 | 1330 | 29.6 | 8.0 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 128 |
| 46 | 71.1 | 28.9 | 1.2 | 0.21 | 145 | 23.7 | 4.7 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 0.3 | 110 |
| 67 | 65 A | 33 6 | 0.9 | 3 26 | 1 200 | 27 5 | 0.0 | 3 5 | 1 7 | 0.5 | 125 |
| 40 | 65 6 | 34 6 | 1.0 | 2 00 | 1100 | 29 7 | 4.0 | 2 7 | 1 6 | 0.4 | 125 |
| 90 | 72.0 | 34.0 | 0.7 | 3.00 | 1240 | 20.7 | 4.9 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 200 |
| 49 | 12.0 | 27.1 | 0.7 | 3.20 | 1340 | 21.0 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 200 |
| 50 | 70.2 | 29.8 | 0.7 | 3.3/ | 1400 | 24.5 | 5./ | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 10/ |
| 51 | 0/.3 | 32./ | 0.7 | 3.50 | 1280 | 27.3 | 8.7 | 2.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 110 |
| 52 | 64.9 | 35.1 | 0.8 | 2.93 | 1060 | 30.8 | 8.8 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 133 |
| 53 | 69.1 | 30.9 | 1.0 | 3.54 | 1345 | 23.8 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 108 |
| 54 | 66.7 | 33.4 | 1.1 | 3.21 | 1205 | 27.6 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 119 |
| 55 | 64.7 | 35.3 | 1.2 | 0.18 | 235 | 32.5 | 10.9 | 7.5 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 139 |
| 56 | 66.5 | 33.5 | 0.9 | 2.99 | 1330 | 27.4 | 8.0 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 121 |
| 57 | 62.8 | 37.2 | 0.7 | 2.91 | 1153 | 31.3 | 8.0 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 136 |
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| 50 | 66.0 | 22.1 | 0.9 | 3 20 | 1205 | 27 1 | 7 6 | 4 7 | 1 7 | 0.4 | 110 |
| 2A | 00.9 | 33.1 | 0.9 | 3.20 | 1205 | 2/.1 | 7.0 | 4.6 | 1/ | 0.4 | 119 |

(a) For paste, ssuce and puree, solids designates natural tomato soluble solids. For catsup, solids designates total solids.

Table 2. Average Filling of Containers of Tomato Products.

| Product | Avg. % Filling of container | Range |
|---------|--------------------------------|---------|
| Paste | 101 | 97-105 |
| Sauce | 101 | 97-104 |
| Puree | 102 | 100-105 |
| Catsup | 102 | 100-109 |

lower values were for those claiming no salt added. Carbohydrates averaged about 17 percent. Only 13 percent of the carbohydrate content was accounted for by glucose and fructose. The remainder is probably some sucrose and higher polysaccharides as starch, all naturally occurring in tomatoes. Calories per 100 grams averaged 86.5.

Sauces: Percentages for sauces were generally lower than in pastes because sauces contain about 90 percent water as compared with 74 percent in pastes. (Tables 1 and 3) Sauces usually contained more optional ingredients to enhance flavor and averaged 1.2 percent salt (Table 3) and about twice the sodium of pastes. The sauce claiming "no salt added" (sample 31) contained about 0.2 percent salt. No Federal Regulations pertain to sauces.

| Product | No. Tested | Solids,%(a) | Salt,%(c) | Total Carbohydrates,% | Fat,% | Protein,% | Calories per 100g |
|---------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Paste | 16 | 25.3 (24.0-28.6) (b) | 0.43 (0.31-0.60) | 17.7 (15.5-20.2) | 0.34 (0.2-0.5) | 3.5 (3.0-4.4) | 87 (79–101) |
| Sauce | 19 | 9.2 (8.1-10.7) | 1.20 (0.2-1.5) | 6.0 (4.7-7.6) | 0.17 (0.1-0.2) | 1.3 (0.5-1.8) | 31 (27–38) |
| Puree | 9 | 12.4 (9.6-14.6) | 0.21 (0.15-0.26) | 8.1 (6.3-10.0) | 0.23 (0.2-0.4) | 1.9 (1.1-2.7) | 42 (22-51) |
| Catsup | 15 | 32.7 (27.1-37.2) | 2.80 (0.2-3.5) | 27.2 (21.6-31.3) | 0.38 (0.3-0.5) | 1.7 (1.4-3.3) | 126 (106–200) |

Table 3. Averages and Ranges of Constituents of Tomato Products.

(a) For paste, sauce, and puree. solids designates percent natural

tomato soluble solids. For catsup, solids designates total solids.

(b) Values for salt include those claiming no salt added.

(c) Salt values include those claiming no salt added.

Purce: The purces contained about 3 percent more water than the sauces. (*Table 3*) All purces contained the required minimum 8 percent tomato solids and averaged 12.4 percent, about half the maximum allowed. The salt content was about half that found in pastes. (*Tables 1 and 3*) Most percentages for purces were lower than for pastes because of the higher water content of purces.

Catsups: Catsup is made from a variety of tomato concentrates including liquid, peelings, and cores. Although a wide variety of optional ingredients are used as flavoring, regulations require these to be listed on the label.

Catsups were the thickest product tested, averaging only 67 percent water and fully 33 percent total solids. (*Tables 1 and 3*) They also averaged 2.8 percent salt, more than any other product tested. (*Table 3*) The two samples claiming "no salt added" (Samples 46 and 55) averaged only 0.2 percent salt. Because the salt content was high, sodium content was also high, averaging 1121 milligrams per 100 grams, over twice the average of sauces. Calories per 100 grams averaged 126, higher than all other products. The primary reason is the higher carbohydrate content and the lower water content of catsup. Carbohydrates averaged 27.2 percent, about 35 percent more than in pastes and 77 percent more than in sauce. (*Table 3*)

Summary

The fifty-nine tomato products - pastes, purees, sauces and catsups - collected at retail stores in Connecticut met specifications defined in the Code of Federal Regulations. Pastes contained the most tomato solids, 25 percent; sauces contained the least, 9 percent. The average salt content varied among products from a low of 0.2 percent for purees to 2.8 percent in catsups. Products claiming "no salt added" had less than 0.4 percent salt. Fat and protein were low in all products. Catsups contained the most carbohydrates, averaging 27.2 percent. The carbohydrate content of pastes averaged 17.7 percent, sauces 6 percent and purees 8 percent. Analytical values for all products are given by brand name.

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Eugene L. Jack

In Memoriam

Eugene L. Jack, 86, died Thursday, March 27, at Kaiser Hospice, Sacramento, after a year-long battle with cancer.

A professor of food science and technology, emeritus, Dr. Jack joined the University of California, Davis faculty in 1937 in what was then the Division of Dairy Industry. He served as chair of that division from 1946-59, retiring from UCD in 1964.

Long considered one of the nation's leading authorities in dairy chemistry, Dr. Jack's major areas of research included the chemistry of milk fat, nutritional values of dairy products, fat fractionation and molecular distillation, properties of dry milk, and dairy technology. He was the first to show that high heat treatments before drying develop anti-oxidants in the milk which retard the development of oxidized flavor.

He was a member of the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA), the American Chemical Society, the American Oil Chemist's Society, the Institute of Food Technologists and the International Association of Milk Food & Environmental Sanitarians. In 1961 he served as president of the ADSA.

Born in 1899 in Mercer County, PA, Dr. Jack obtained his early education and started university studies. He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War I. Following his discharge, he returned to the family dairy farm. Then he entered Pennsylvania State University where he received his bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees in dairy science in 1933, 1934 and 1936, respectively.

Dr. Jack is survived by a son, James Jack, now residing in Ohio. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sue Thomas Jack in 1967. Memorial contributions can be made to the Eugene L. Jack Memorial Fund in the Department of Food Science and Technology, University of California, Davis, CA 95616. Contributions should be made payable to The Regents of the University of California and should be sent to the department. The fund will be used to support student activities related to dairy foods.

The Bugs That Bug FDA Inspectors the Most

One thing you can say about flour beetles: They know their nutrition. When they go after stored wheat, for example, they eat only the germ portion where all the nutrients are and leave behind the kernels.

And they're clever in other ways. They have functional wings that they use judiciously, preferring not to expose themselves needlessly. They burrow down into flour so they cannot be seen and, with food particles clinging to the hair on their little (oneseventh of an inch long) bodies, look just like what they are hiding in. Even their eggs have a sticky surface that catches food particles, adding to their camouflage.

And are those beetles ever mean. If they find that a food they want is already claimed by other insects, they will drive out or destroy the homesteaders and take over the entire supply for themselves. In fact, macaroni is one of the few foods where the flour beetles' competitors can survive: Smaller insects crawl inside the tubes of pasta where the beetles are too large to pursue them.

With traits like this, it's no wonder they have survived since prehistoric times to be the most prevalent insect pest in our basic food supplies.

There are more than 150 different kinds of insects that infest food after it has been harvested, causing the loss of at least 10 percent of the world's food supply every year, usually in developing countries that can least afford such losses. Flour beetles are the most abundant and destructive of these insects and are the insects most often found by FDA inspectors in food manufacturing plants and warehouses.

Wherever they are found, flour beetles cause serious damage. They prefer to eat flour and other grain products, such as bread, noodles and cereals, but they will also devour whole grains such as wheat, oats and barley. If no grain is available, almost any dry vegetable material will do. They have been known to infest nuts, beans, dried fruits, cocoa, yeast, spices, tobacco and marijuana. They can even live and breed in the fiery and seemingly hostile environment of pure paprika.

Flour beetles even engage in chemical warfare. They give off noxious chemicals called quinones when they are disturbed or startled, to drive away predators or other competing insects.

Quinones are responsible for the characteristic

musty odor of beetle-infested flour and can even effect the taste of foods made from the flour. (The cricket-size penacate beetle of the southwestern desert, a close relative of the flour beetle, has a similar defense. It stands on its head when disturbed and emits a foul-smelling cloud that can rival a skunk's scent.)

Besides eating and spoiling food, flour beetles may also be carriers of bacteria, molds and parasites. They are an intermediate host for the dwarf tapeworm, a parasite found in rats and mice that live off beetle-infested foods. Humans can become infected with the tapeworms by unwittingly eating infected beetles hiding in contaminated food.

Because flour beetles are masters of camouflage and concealment, it is not easy to detect an infestation in food. They are shy of light and will hide under food or in cracks and crevices when a room light is switched on. And, while other insects give themselves away by the droppings (pellets) they leave behind, flour beetles provide no such clue. Their excreta is often the same color as the food they're eating. But nature did not create a perfect predator. The beetles do leave a telltale sign when they periodically shed their outer skins. These goldcolored skins stand out readily in the infested flour or other food.

A single beetle may shed its skin as many as 10 times. Such shedding is necessary for the four-stage growth from egg through larva to pupa and then adult. Shedding happens most often during the larva stage, when main growth occurs. The resting (pupa) stage - when the wormlike larva becomes an adult beetle - is the last time for shedding, or molt. One pair of adult beetles may live for two years and produce as many as 900 offspring, so it's not surprising that a large number of skins (and pellets) accumulate in infested food in a relatively short time.

To detect and measure flour beetle contamination, FDA scientists have developed several methods for separating the insects from the food they contaminate.

An insect's body shell will repel water but not petroleum solvents, such as kerosene. By mixing test samples of infested foods, water and solvent together, the beetles become saturated with solvent and the foods with water. Then the solvent floats to the top bringing with it the beetles, to be skimmed off, identified and counted.

When whole beetles and parts aren't detected in the examined samples, FDA scientists use a blue cloth filter and special washing techniques to find and count beetle eggs. If the grain - with beetles and all - has been ground into flour, the fragments can still be identified and counted, even though they are microscopic in size. FDA scientists have photographed and catalogued all body parts of the flour beetle larva and adult to help identify beetle fragments.

Out on inspection sites, such as food warehouses and grain elevators, FDA relies on the sharp eyes and experience of its field investigators to detect flour beetle infestations. The beetles manage to hide in all kinds of places, including corrugated cardboard packing, in the gear boxes of machinery where grain is ground into flour, and even in bait set out to control rodents. An FDA inspector with an eye for beetles can recognize unsanitary practices that permit beetle infestation and will see that the problems are corrected.

Flour, grain and other food products contaminated with beetles may not be sold for human consumption. Stored grain can sometimes be reconditioned by sifting and processing, but most often it and other contaminated foods must be converted to animal food or destroyed.

A good word for the thus-far pilloried flour beetle: For many scientists it is a valuable and useful insect. The structure of flour beetle genes is easily mapped and observed, which makes the bugs useful in genetic research. They are easy to raise in laboratory cultures and have a number of mutant genetic traits useful in cross-breeding experiments. But away from the laboratory - in the warehouses and granaries of the world - the flour beetle is seen as the dreadful little pest that it is.

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New Product News

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Automated Microbiology System Introduced

 Foss Food Technology Corporation now offers the Bio-Foss Automated Microbiology System which has a wide application in the food industry.

The system can be used for rapid counts of micro-organisms with results printed out in 10-20 min. depending on the type of sample. It can also be used for automatic counting of colonies on petri dishes and the automatic counting of spirally poured plates.

The Bio-Foss Automated Microbiology System is made up of five main modules:

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- Filtration unit for capturing microorganisms.
- 3. Epifluorescence microscope.
- Microprocessor controlled image analyzer for automatically counting the micro-organisms.
- Macro stand for use in colony counting and counting spirally poured plates.

After a simple pre-treatment stage (which varies with the type of sample), the microorganisms are captured on a polycarbonate membrane and stained with a fluorescent dye. The membrane is mounted on a slide and the fluorescing bacteria are counted automatically by the image analyzer via the epifluorescence microscope.

The method is rapid, direct, and sensitive; all essential elements in advanced control over acceptance/rejection of incoming product, release of product, and monitoring of production.

Application areas include milk and dairy products, meat and meat products and beverages.

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Compiled Version of Ecotrac Runs Twenty Times Faster

 A newly compiled version of Ecotrac environmental data management software is now available from Solutech Corporation of Denver, Colorado. According to Solutech President, Roger Johnson, this compiled version is an update using the latest in software tools and will process information twenty times faster than previous versions.

Ecotrac is a Menu-Driven Data Base Manager designed to fit the needs of environmental managers and will run on IBM personal computers and compatible machines. Mr. Johnson said the machine language version was developed in response to customer needs for faster data processing. It will still access records from Dbase III, the language of the previous version.

Also available from Solutech is a new Ecotrac demonstration diskette containing a working version of the Ecotrac manifest tracking module, one of the eight modules that presently comprise Ecotrac. The disc demonstrates three fundamental features of Ecotrac: data editing, browsing and report generation. The demo disc is available for \$25.00.

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Guide Helps Balance Users Avoid Service Calls

 The vast majority of problems and malfunctions of electronic balances could be prevented if the user simply takes the time to become familiar with the product, treats it properly, and ensures a suitable work environment, according to a guide just issued by Ohaus Scale Corporation.

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The pamphlet explains how to set up a surveillance program to monitor balance performance. Criteria are presented to help readers decide whether field service or factory repair is preferable if servicing of a balance should become necessary.

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Food Science Facts



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Sanitation in the Food industry

When the word "sanitation" is mentioned, people think of many different things. Often, thoughts of garbage trucks, land fills, rest rooms, plumbing and sewers come to mind. Sanitation actually means the promotion of hygiene and prevention of disease by maintaining sanitary conditions.

The goal of every employee in the food industry should be to do their part in assuring that foods are produced, processed and prepared in a clean and sanitary environment and with a minimum of contamination.

A well organized and effective sanitation program is designed to anticipate and eliminate potential hazards before they become serious problems.

There are several things that successful companies with effective sanitation programs have in common. They are:

1) Total management participation.

2) A company sanitation manual.

3) A good training program.

4) Good manufacturing practices.

5) Good personal hygiene.

6) Effective communication and personnel relations.

7) Proper supervision.

8) Good working conditions and adequate equipment.

9) Effective pest control programs.

10) Self-inspection programs.

11) Respect for the food being processed or prepared.

Let's look at each of these items in more detail.

Total Management Participation. Any sanitation program, no matter how well organized, will fail without the support, total commitment and involvement of top management. Everyone in the company, from the president to the first line supervisor, must recognize the importance of sanitation and convey this idea and attitude to all employees. This should be done not only in words and memos, but through example by personal involvement and participation in the program.

A Company Sanitation Manual. Uniform and standard guidelines for activities in the company are needed. A

sanitation manual is a "how-to" book which clearly indicates what is expected and how specific jobs should be done. The task or job is usually broken down into steps and written in easy-to-understand outline form. A schedule showing how often the job needs to be done is also listed. These standards should be developed for raw material handling, processing, finished product, cleaning and sanitation procedures, pest control, personal hygiene, employee facilities, warehousing and other important areas in food processing, retailing or food service establishments.

Training Programs. Many sanitation programs fall apart because there is no organized training program designed to acquaint employees with what is expected of them. A training program or continuing employee education can be used to:

1) Update skills and knowledge.

- 2) Provide important job information.
- 3) Improve communications.
- 4) Instill enthusiasm.
- 5) Improve motivation.

It is important to follow-up training activities to insure that everyone is using the new information in their daily responsibilities.

Good Manufacturing Practices. These practices summarize all of the correct procedures on how things should be done in a food processing establishment. Although these facts are often part of a company sanitation manual, they are also the law. During inspections, Federal and State regulatory agencies look for violations in good manufacturing practices.

Good Personal Hygiene. Good health, personal habits and work habits are very important and the facts concerning personal hygiene should be clearly understood by all who work with food. Understanding not only how people can contaminate food, but explaining WHY it is so important to practice good personal hygiene, should be a goal of every training program.

Effective Communication & Personnel Relations. Every organization needs effective communication to prosper. Lack of proper communication often results in inaccurate

messages, rumors, misunderstandings and many other problems. Communicate effectively by thinking about the message that you want to get across and then say or write it clearly and accurately. Remember - seek not only to be understood, but to understand - be a good listener!

Proper Supervision. Knowledgeable, well trained and personable supervisors are the key to an effective sanitation program. They can detect problems, correct them and provide instruction, encouragement and information to prevent them from reoccurring.

Good Working Conditions. Working in an establishment with good equipment and facilities, where everyone pitches in to do a good job in producing a high quality, safe and wholesome product is very important. Employees who feel that they are part of a championship team, will excell and go above and beyond what is normally expected.

Effective Pest Control Programs. These play a key role in a company sanitation program because insects, rodents and birds can easily enter an establishment and contaminate foods. A well organized program will try to:

· Keep pests out,

- Remove their food and shelter, and
- Eliminate them if they enter.

An ongoing program of prevention is much easier than dealing with severe regulatory and consumer problems that result from an infestation.

Self-Inspection Program. A sanitation committee, made up of people from several departments, use a checklist of items, and carefully inspect every inch of the facility. Deficiencies that are found can be corrected by taking appropriate actions. In this way, potential hazards and problems with regulatory agencies and consumer complaints can be avoided.

Respect for Food. After working with food for a while, many employees feel that it is just an object, like bricks or lumber; they can easily forget that food is a biological system that can spoil or support the growth of harmful microorganisms that can cause illness and sometimes death. When people who work with food respect what they are working with and realize the value of it to fellow consumers, the company, their jobs and well being, everyone profits.

Someone within the company may have the title of Sanitation Director or Manager, but all employees working together as a championship team, are responsible for the production of high quality, safe and wholesome foods. Think about your job; how important is it to you, your family and the thousands of people who buy, cook and eat the product that you make every day! Isn't it worth a little extra effort to promote good sanitation?



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SALMONELLA OUTBREAK AT A FACILITY FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED - ONTARIO

An outbreak of Salmonella food poisoning occurred at the Oxford Regional Centre, a facility for the developmentally handicapped between 2 and 13 September 1984. A total of 249 persons were affected (234 of these during the first 2 days); 13 were hospitalized due to complications and 2 deaths occurred (1 of the hospitalized cases). Nine cases were dietary and counselling staff, 7 of whom gave a history of eating a Spanish cream dessert at or about the same time as the residents. The other 2 staff members ate leftover dessert on their return to work on 4 September and became ill on the following afternoon. The last case was a nurse at the Woodstock General Hospital who developed symptoms on 13 September after caring for one of the hospitalized residents.

An investigation revealed that the first 6 patients became ill between 0300 h and 0800 h on 2 September. Dietary staff at the Centre were requested to provide a food history for the residents for the 72-hour period prior to these first reports of illness. Foodhandlers who worked during that period were requested to submit stool samples for testing. It was noted that raw eggs had been used in at least 3 of the food items served at the evening meal on 1 September: Thousand Island dressing, mayonnaise and the Spanish cream dessert. Samples of these and 4 meat leftovers were also taken for laboratory analysis. *S. typhimurium* phage type 204 was isolated from 24 stool samples submitted from residents and staff, and 2 dessert samples. Phage type 49 was isolated from one hospitalized resident.

Crude attack rates and the isolation of *S. typhimurium* from the Spanish cream dessert strongly suggested this food item as the source of infection. Further investigation revealed that this dessert had been prepared on 31 August using egg-whites, yolks and a thickening agent. Raw egg whites were added to a hot mixture of egg yolks and thickening agent resulting in an incubation temperature that would have allowed the *Salmonella* organisms to rapidly multiply. Furthermore, most of the prepared dessert had been left unrefrigerated for several hours prior to serving. Therefore, poor preparation and holding procedures had been used with respect to this food item.

Discussion: This was a common-source outbreak with an explosive onset. Time of onset following consumption of the dessert is consistent with the incubation period for salmonellosis (6-72 h). *S. typhimurium* is a common serotype but phage type 204 has not been reported often. It is not clear whether phage type 49 was part of the outbreak because only one isolate was obtained (from one of the hospitalized residents).

Raw eggs have been involved in several other outbreaks. In 1981, a protein milk supplement consisting of milk, ice cream, sugar, skim milk powder, and raw eggs was suspected to have been the source of infection in an *S. enteritidis* outbreak at a home for the aged in the Kingston area. An egg-nog supplement, prepared with raw eggs was implicated in an outbreak of salmonellosis in a Scarborough nursing home in May 1982. At the beginning of August 1979, an outbreak due to *S. infantis* took place in a nursing home in the Kitchener area. Eggnog, prepared with cracked eggs, was a dietary component at the facility and was the most probable source of infection in this outbreak. An outbreak of *S. bareilly* involving 103 people took place in September 1979 in a hospital in Scarborough. It was concluded that the organisms were probably introduced into the suspect pudding during its preparation from contaminated raw egg whites.

Economic estimates for the outbreak reported here include the following: hospitalization (13 persons for 131 days) - \$34,060; laboratory analyses - \$5,116; investigation, follow-up and legal fees at an inquest - \$10,755; loss of employee wages (10 persons for 150 days) - \$11,577 - for a total of \$61,509. These costs do not include medication, physician services and other costs of agencies and personnel involved in the 5-day inquest.

As a result of the inquest held in December, the coroner's jury made the following recommendations:

- A. Recommendations Specific to the September 1984 Outbreak
- 1. That serving of foods containing raw eggs be discontinued.
- 2. That the following conditions are to be met for the handling of hazardous products requiring refrigeration:
 - a) Heavy mixtures are to be cooled in shallow pans to hasten the cooling.

b) Cracked eggs are to be used in thoroughly cooked products only*.

c) Finished products are to be stacked on racks in such a manner as to allow free circulation of cold air around the pans to hasten cooling.

d) Finished product is to be refrigerated at all times other than is necessary for preparation and portioning.

 That leftover foods be discarded if not promptly refrigerated (i.e. hazardous products are not to be returned to the refrigerator for re-serving unless they have been continually refrigerated).

*This recommendation was made because cracked eggs were found in the Grade A supply at the facility. A percentage of Grade A eggs do crack in transportation and storage, and it is only to these that this recommendation refers.

B. General Recommendations for this Facility

- That frozen meats are thawed under refrigeration or under cold running water. It would be advisable to freeze them in smaller containers to hasten the thawing process.
- That kitchen staff be made fully aware of proper disinfecting agents for use on food preparation surfaces.
- That all food preparation surfaces are routinely and regularly cleaned and disinfected.
- That NO raw meat be cut in the area used for preparation of ready-to-eat foods.
- That completely separate knives be used for cutting raw and ready-to-eat meats.
- That gravy be stored in shallow metal containers to hasten cooling.
- That hand soap in a dispenser be conveniently located in the butcher shop.
- That a physical barrier (e.g. plastic sheets) be used to separate areas under construction and food preparation/storage areas.
- That the third sink in the pot scrubbing room be repaired and/or automated mechanical pot scrubbers be provided.
- 10. That all badly dented or damaged utensils (e.g. dippers) be replaced.
- 11. That an effective fly control program be implemented.
- That all containers of stored food be clearly marked as to their contents.
- 13. That employees be encouraged to thoroughly wash their hands between different operations (e.g. dishwashing to foodhandling).

- 14. That unclean eggs be reported to the supplier.
- 15. That foot-operated taps be installed at the handwashing basins in food preparation areas.
- 16. That the preparation of homemade mayonnaise be discontinued, or pasteurized egg products be substituted for raw eggs in the recipe.

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AN INTERNATIONAL OUTBREAK OF BOTULISM ASSOCIATED WITH A RESTAURANT IN VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Two discrete clusters of cases of botulism occurred in association with one restaurant in Vancouver during the latter half of the summer of 1985. The eating establishment, the White Spot Restaurant at 1616 Georgia Street, is located near Stanley Park, a popular attraction. Eight cases have been recognized in the first cluster following a meal at this restaurant between 26 July and 2 August. A further 26 cases have been recognized in the second cluster following a meal between 29 August and 5 September. Cases have been reported in Canada, in several states in the United States, and in the Netherlands.

Type B botulinal toxin was detected in the serum of 3 patients. Seven patients have required ventilator support. There have been no fatalities. A case-control study demonstrated 2 sandwiches on the menu to be highly associated with illness, and further analysis implicated a preparation of chopped garlic in soy bean oil as the specific vehicle of intoxication. This product originated in the U.S. and was subsequently distributed in Canada. It is suspected that the product had been unrefrigerated for several months before being opened. Control measures included the voluntary withdrawal of the implicated menu items and the chopped garlic product from all White Spot Restaurants.

A notable feature of the outbreak has been the slow development and progression of symptoms, up to 10 days following exposure. Because cases were widely dispersed and initially involved atypical manifestations of acute botulism, many practitioners and specialists were misled in their primary diagnosis. Consequently many of these patients were hospitalized with a range of other neurologic and psychiatric diagnoses. It is possible that further patients with unusual neurologic illness and psychiatric diagnoses and a travel history to Vancouver within the time periods in question may yet be diagnosed retrospectively as cases of botulism associated with the outbreak. Clinicians should contact their provincial or state epidemiologist if this possibility is entertained. Cases outside of Canada or the U.S. should be reported to Dr. S. E. Acres, Bureau of Epidemiology, Laboratory Centre for Disease Control, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0L2, Tel.: (613) 990-8964.

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1984 - A RECORD YEAR FOR INFANT BOTULISM IN CALIFORNIA

A record was set for infant botulism in California in 1984;

48 hospitalized cases were recognized. Other categories of the disease's clinical spectrum (outpatient and sudden death cases) were not detected. The illness affected infants of all races (White 40%, Hispanic 38%, Asian 15%, Black 4%, Native American 2%). Thirty-three cases (67%) lived in the greater Los Angeles basin (Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and Ventura counties), 6 (12%) in the Central Valley (Fresno, Kern, Madera, Sacramento, Solano, Yolo), and 5 (11%) in the San Francisco Bay Area (Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Clara). The other 4 cases lived in Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Diego counties. Median age at onset was 8 weeks (range 2.5 - 37 weeks). Girls (60%) were more frequently affected. Uncharacteristically, cases caused by type B-spores and toxin (54%) were more frequent than those resulting from type A (46%).

No deaths occurred among the hospitalized patients. Mean hospital stay was 32 days and ranged from 7 days at \$392/day (\$2,746 total) to 96 days at \$1,701/day (\$163,266 total). Aggregate hospital costs for the 48 cases were \$1,813,891. Fourteen infants (29%) had been fed honey before onset of illness; Clostridium botulinum type B was isolated from 6 of 8 honeys available for testing that had been consumed by patients. Approximately 40% of the Hispanic and Asian patients had been fed honey before onset of illness. One-third of all patients had been fed corn syrup (either light or dark or both) before onset of illness; C. botulinum was not isolated from 18 bottles of corn syrup that were tested. Approximately two-thirds of patients were breast-fed at birth, and almost half were still being nursed on onset. The other one-third of patients had commercial formula as their only source of milk; these infants were younger at onset (5-1/2 weeks median age) than were the breast-fed infants (10 weeks median age).

Comment: Last year's increase in infant botulism may be attributed to increased occurrence as well as to increased recognition and reporting. The geographical distribution of cases reflects the state's population distribution, but the continuing absence of cases from some regions, e.g. Calexico, Eureka, remains puzzling. A surge of incidence occurred in the first quarter of 1984, almost half of which was linked to the feeding of honey. This episode highlights the continuing need to warm parents, especially Hispanics and Asians, not to feed honey to infants nor to feed corn syrup, because the U.S. FDA has also found *C. botulinum* spores in corn syrups. The frequent recovery of type B spores from case-associated honey probably explains the unusual predominance of type B cases last year.

A recent report of 44 infant botulism cases hospitalized in Philadelphia, which noted that all were still receiving some breast-milk at onset, concluded that breast-feeding was a risk factor for illness. In California, infant botulism has affected formula-fed infants as well as breast-fed infants. The formula-fed infants were significantly younger at onset than were the breastfed infants, suggesting an increased physiological vulnerability with formula feedings. Human milk contains secretory antibody that agglutinates C. botulinum, and breast-feeding may thereby prolong the onset of disease sufficiently to permit hospitalization. Because hospitalization is lengthy and expensive, investigations to identify risk factors and preventable vehicles of transmission continue.

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A CASE OF INFANT BOTULISM - QUEBEC

On 26 September 1985, a 3-week-old female infant was hos-

pitalized with generalized hypotonia and constipation that had gradually developed over 1 week. Examination revealed an afebrile, sleepy patient with generalized hypotonia and loss of neck muscle tone, crying weakly and having difficulty feeding.

Laboratory test results, including lumbar puncture, were normal. The thyroxine level at birth was normal; a tensilon test was negative. Upon questioning, the mother indicated that the infant was being formula-fed and had been given a pacifier sweetened with honey several times since birth.

A presumptive diagnosis of botulism was made and the infant was transferred to the intensive care unit where respiratory parameters could be monitored. An electromyo-gram indicated subacute to acute myositis. Stool specimens were positive for both toxin and *Clostridium botulinum* type A; no toxin was found in the serum. Preliminary analysis of the leftover honey revealed an exceptionally large number of *C. botulinum* type A spores.

The infant gradually recovered and was discharged on 25 October. Respiratory support was never required. No antibiotic or antitoxin was given.

Editorial Comment: This is the second case of infant botulism to be reported in Canada and the first one associated with honey. The first case, which occurred in October 1979, involved a 37-day-old breast-fed male infant. The source of the *C. botulinum* was not found, but it was speculated that the child had ingested the spores with dust when the family had stayed at a very dusty trailer campsite.

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CRYPTOSPORIDIOSIS IN HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Cryptosporidium, an intestinal protozoan parasite, and a wellknown cause of diarrhea in animals, was first noted on the gastric mucosa of asymptomatic mice in 1907. It is increasingly being recognized as a cause of infection and disease in humans.

This report presents the results of investigating the families of 7 index cases of acute cryptosporidial gastro-enteritis in the Hamilton area between May and September 1985. Six of these cases occurred in September.

A total of 29 family members were interviewed; stool analyses were available for 24. Of the 7 index cases, 4 were male and 3 were female, the average age being 3 years (range 4 months to 9 years). Each presented with diarrhea and vomiting; abdominal cramps and fever were also common symptoms. Of the 22 remaining family members, 6 were siblings and 16 were adults (including 2 grandparents and a common-law husband). Sixteen of the 22 were symptomatic during the illness period of the index cases, and had similar symptoms, i.e., diarrhea, cramps, and vomiting, but these were usually milder and of shorter duration. Only one secondary case required hopitalization, whereas 6 of the index cases were admitted. All cases to date have resolved with symptomatic care only, including a lactose-free diet. None of the patients were immune compromised.

Three of the 7 families had at least one child in nursery school or day care. Five of the families had household pets (cats 2, dogs 2, guinea pig 1, cockatiel 1). None had any farm animal exposure. One family who lived near a farm outside of Hamilton had been in Brazil when the index case first became ill.

Stool specimens for parasite examination were collected and transported in sodium acetate-formalin preservative. Twentythree of the 29 people had gastrointestinal symptoms. Fifteen of the people had positive stools for *Cryptosporidia* spp. oocysts. Only one asymptomatic excreter of cryptosporidial oocysts was found in this cohort. She was also excreting *Giardia lamblia*. Two children had enteroviral (coxsackie B2, ECHO 24) infections and *Cryptosporidia*, one had rotavirus and *Cryptosporidia*, one had *Dientamoeba fragilis* and *Cryptosporidia*, and one adult had *G. lamblia* alone. No bacterial pathogens were isolated from symptomatic individuals on routine culture. *Can. Diseases Weekly Report 11-30-85*

TURKEY-ASSOCIATED SALMONELLOSIS AT AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - GEORGIA

Between May 10, and May 16, 1985, an estimated 351 children and staff at a Georgia elementary school developed febrile gastroenteritis. Salmonella enteritidis, sensitive to all antimicrobials tested, was isolated from more than 100 children; 23 were hospitalized; none died. The risk of illness was strongly associated with eating turkey salad with the school lunch on May 10, which was reported by 64 (91%) of 70 ill children and none of 13 well children in a case-control study ($p<10^{-8}$). Culture of leftover refrigerated turkey salad yielded *S. enteritidis;* quantitative culture yielded 8.8 x 10⁵ Salmonella per gram of salad. Each child received an estimated 56 grams of salad (5.0 x 10⁷ Salmonella).

The turkey salad had been prepared by four symptomatic foodhandlers. Inspection of the kitchen did not reveal foodhandling practices or equipment malfunctions that might have contributed to the outbreak, except that after being cooked and deboned May 9, the turkey was refrigerated overnight in an 8-inch deep pan.

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Editorial Note: In studies of non-typhoidal Salmonella with human volunteers, the lowest doses of organisms to cause illness varied from 1.0×10^5 to 4.5×10^7 , but the amount of Salmonella ingested in foodborne outbreaks is often lower. The observation of a 100% attack rate among children consuming an estimated 5.0×10^7 organisms suggests that the minimum dose required to cause illness is much lower.

Although turkey was reported as the vehicle in only 27 (7%) of 405 foodborne outbreaks of salmonellosis reported through the CDC foodborne surveillance system during 1972-1981, it was the vehicle in seven (23%) of 30 of the *Salmonella* outbreaks occurring in schools during that time. Turkey was the most common vehicle for all bacterial foodborne outbreaks in Georgia schools in 1971, usually after contamination during deboning followed by inadequate refrigerate a large hot mass, the center of the mass can remain above 50 degrees for over 24 hours, allowing ample growth of contaminating bacteria. Particular attention to adequate cooking and refrigeration during the upcoming holiday season can prevent turkey-associated outbreaks.

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Synopsis of Papers for the IAMFES Annual Meeting

High Quality Water System Disinfection, Andrew J. Streifel, MPH, Hospital Environmentalist, University of Minnesota, Boynton Health Service, Room W-140, 410 Church Street S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455

Since 1972 we have monitored the bacteriological quality of a kidney dialysis water treatment system (DWTS) at the University Hospitals. Municipal water (MW) is pretreated then processed by a reverse osmosis (RO) device which distributes water through glass piping to the dialysis machines. Water samples are processed according to standard methods using membrane (.45µ) techniques. Samples are incubated at 35°C and scored at 72 hours. Utilization of continuous disinfection using MW chloramines (3ppm) for the DWTS and heat disinfection of the dialysis equipment maintained water bacteria levels at <10cfu/ ml from 1975-1982. RO membrane degeneration due to pH and toxicity of chloramines to red blood cells prompted a change to a chlorine sensitive pH tolerant (3-11) thin film composite RO membrane. A UV light was substituted for chloramines as a disinfectant. A 4% solution of formaldehyde (HCHO) was used for disinfection. The noxious quality of HCHO proved unsatisfactory. A dilution of stabilized 4.5% peracetic acid (PA) at 700ppm was used in the WDS while 4% HCHO was used for the RO. Thus far PA demonstrates effective reduction of bacteria in the WDS. However, the RO machine is inadequately disinfected when using the 4% HCHO. The RO recontaminates the distribution system when rinsed. Usage of PA for the cleaning and disinfection of RO equipment and WDS is a promising relatively non-toxic substitute for certain water treatment systems.

Use of Temperature Sensitive Gel for Concentration of Bacteria of Milk, S. Maheshkumar, Richard Peterson and Sagar M. Goyal, Department of Veterinary Diagnostic Investigation, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota 55108.

Infection and disease have been associated with milk for many years. Raw unpasteurized milk, both certified and uncertified, has been found to be contaminated with human pathogenic bacteria such as Salmonella, Yersinia, Listeria, Campylobacter and pathogenic strains of Escherichia coli. Small numbers of these bacteria can remain undetected in standard bacteriological tests of milk. The present study was undertaken to determine if a temperature-sensitive gel (made from isopropylacrylamide) could be used for concentration and detection of bacteria from milk. This gel swells at 4°C, collapses at higher temperatures (ca. 50°C), and absorbs water and small sized solutes while rejecting larger molecules such as bacteria and viruses. Using Escherichia coli as a test organism and temperature-sensitive gel, a ten fold reduction in milk volume was achieved with the recovery of the test organism ranging between 35 and 45 percent. A pH of 5.5 was found to be optimal for concentration of bacteria from milk. This procedure is simple and easy to perform and is inexpensive because the gel is reusable.

Detection of Gram Negative Bacteria in Cottage Cheese by an Impedance Technique, Nora Tsang*, Ruth Firstenberg-Eden and Joseph Zindulis, Bactomatic, Inc., P.O. Box 3103, Princeton, NJ 08540

Gram negative (-) bacterial contamination is a leading cause of spoilage in cottage cheese. These contaminants, due to their low initial number, cannot be effectively counted by standard plate count method. Visual interference of the product in agar plates and the presence of active Gram positive (+) starter cultures in high numbers further complicates the problem. An impedance test was developed to detect Gram (-) contamination in cottage cheese. Two selective media, crystal violet deoxycholate broth (CDB) and modified crystal violet deoxycholate agar (MCDA), were formulated for this method. In the test procedure, one half of a container of cottage cheese was removed and replaced by the CDB to produce a 1:1 mixture. This mixture was pre-incubated at 21°C for 18h. 0.1 ml of the preincubated sample was then inoculated onto 0.5 ml of MCDA. The impedance was monitored at 21°C for 24 h. This test can detect the presence of <10 CFU/g of Gram (-) bacteria within 30 h. Samples with Gram (+) starter cultures at levels ≤10⁵ CFU/g were successfully inhibited and did not interfere with the detection of Gram (-) bacteria. Since the plate count method cannot accurately enumerate <10² CFU/g of Gram (-), the impedance detection times were correlated to the Gram (-) bacterial concentration after preincubation, yielding a correlation coefficient of 0.93. This method is unique in its ability to detect levels of <<10 Gram (-) bacteria/g regardless of the level of Gram (+).

Quantitation of Growth of Mold on Cheese, Ahmed E. Yousef* and Elmer H. Marth, Department of Food Science and The Food Research Institute, University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI 53706

This study was based on the fact that mold grows radially at a constant rate on solid media. Natural cheeses were sliced under aseptic conditions, and slices were placed in sterile petri plates. A spore suspension of mold was inoculated at the center of the cheese slice and plates were covered. The radius of the mold colony was monitored, and the rate of radial growth was calculated by regression analysis. Cheeses tested were mild Cheddar, aged Cheddar, aged smoked Cheddar and brick. Molds grown on cheese were Aspergillus parasiticus or Penicillium camemberti (caseicolum). Results indicate that aged Cheddar was the most inhibitory to growth of mold, whereas brick cheese was the least inhibitory. A. parasiticus generally grew faster on cheeses than did P. camemberti. Another experiment was done wherein process rather than natural cheese was tested. Generally molds grew slower on process cheese than on natural cheeses. Several concentrations of sorbic acid were added to cheese during processing. Results indicate that delay in germination of spores and rate of radial growth were functions of the concentration of sorbate.

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An Orange-Reddish Pigmentation in Roquefort Cheese, Graciela Font de Valdez, Graciela Savoy de Giori, Aida Pesce de Ruiz Holgado and Guillermo Oliver, Centre de Referencia para Lactobacilos (CERELA), Chacabuco 145, 400 Tucumán, Argentina and Facultad de Bioquímica, Química y Farmacia, Universidad Nacional de Tucumán, Tucumán, Argentina

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The presence of an anomalous orange-reddish coloration in Roquefort cheese during its ripening period was studied. No pigmented colonies were isolated from milk, curd, or cheeses after pressing, but their presence in relatively large numbers was observed after salting (7 d) up to the end of the ripening process (90 d). About 37% of the strains isolated (32 in all) were orange-pigment producers in light as well as in the dark (type I), whereas about 25% produced an orange coloration only in the light (type II). No production of pigment was observed at pH 6.0 or below in the absence of sodium chloride, and the highest color intensity was registered at pH 7.0 in the presence of sodium chloride. Morphological and physiologic studies of the orange-pigmented strains revealed that most of them were closelv related to *Brevibacterium linens*.

Quality of Dry-Cured Hams Produced from Pre-Frozen Hams as Affected by Mechanical Tenderization and Vacuum Packaging, J. D. Kemp, B. E. Langlois, J. D. Fox and F. Nicastro, Department of Animal Sciences, Food Science Section, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40546-0215 J. Food Prot. 49:417-420

Fifty frozen hams were thawed for 3 d at 2-3°C, skinned and partially defatted. Half the hams were passed twice through a Ross Industries needle tenderizer and half were not tenderized. All hams were dry-cured for 16 d with a mixture of salt, sugar, sodium nitrate and sodium nitrite. Cores of 2.54-cm diameter were obtained from the cushion of 5 hams from each group weekly for 5 weeks. Outer, middle and inner portions of the cores were analyzed for salt and nitrite. After curing, all hams were held at 13°C for 14 or 15 d for salt equalization. The intact hams were smoked and aged at 24°C until a yield of 82% or less was achieved. Half the hams in each group were then placed in vacuum bags and half were left uncovered. All were aged 4 additional weeks at 24°C. Hams were cut and examined visually, by a palatability panel, by shearing and by analyzing a center slice for moisture, salt and nitrite. Tenderization allowed faster salt and nitrite absorption but resulted in slightly lower flavor and overall satisfaction scores. Tenderized hams achieved the required 18% weight loss (82%) approximately 10 d sonner than non-tenderized hams. Vacuum packaged hams had higher final yields and contained a higher level of moisture and lower level of salt than non-vacuum packaged hams. Shear values in semitendinosus muscles were greater for tenderized than for nontenderized hams while shear values in biceps femoris muscles were higher in non-vacuum packaged than in the vacuum packaged hams. Aerobic and yeast and mold counts were higher while lactobacillus counts were lower in non-tenderized than in tenderized hams. Aerobic and lactobacillus counts were higher in vacuum packaged than in nonvacuum packaged hams. In general, tenderization allowed faster curing and aging while final aging in vacuum bags allowed higher yields.

A Simple Method for Estimating the Extent of Surface Crystal Development on Colored Cheddar Cheese, Stephen T. Dybing, Steven A. Brudvig, James A. Wiegand and Emil A. Huang, Cheese Research Group, Research and Development, Land O'Lakes, Inc., P.O. Box 116, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440-0116

J. Food Prot. 49:421-422

A simple, non-destructive method for estimating the extent of crystal development as white specks on the surface of colored Cheddar cheese is described. This method involves photocopying the surface of the cheese with a photocopier set at an exposure calibrated to clearly show the crystals. The photocopies of the cheese surface are then compared to a series of photocopies showing designated increases in crystal growth. Crystal development was rated as follows: 0=no crystals, 1=light, 2=medium, 3=heavy, and 4=very heavy to encrusted crystal development. The method does not disrupt or destroy the environmental conditions existing in the cheese package, allowing extended shelf life studies to be done on the same piece of cheese. However, the photocopy technique may not work as well with white cheese or cheeses without flat surfaces.

Effect of Salt Concentration and Incubation Temperature on Formation of Histamine, Phenethylamine, Tryptamine and Tyramine During Miso Fermentation, K.-D. Henry Chin and P. E. Koehler, Department of Food Science, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia 30602

J. Food Prot. 49:423-427

Two factors, salt concentration and incubation temperature, were examined for their effect on the formation of histamine, phenethylamine, tryptamine and tyramine during miso (soybean paste) fermentation. Misos containing 5 and 10% NaCl were prepared and incubated at 25 and 35°C. The effect of each factor was determined from the chemical and microbiological changes in the misos during fermentation. Salt level was a significant factor in the formation of amines. Higher amine levels were found in low-salt (5% NaCl) formulations than in high-salt (10% NaCl) misos. Incubation temperature within the range of 25 to 35°C during fermentation had little effect on amine formation in misos. Staphylococcus aureus Growth and Thermostable Nuclease and Enterotoxin Production in Canned Salmon and Sardines, A. K. Stersky, R. Szabo, E. C. D. Todd, C. Thacker, N. Dickie and M. Akhtar, Microbiology Research Division, Food Directorate, Health Protection Branch, Health and Welfare Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0L2

J. Food Prot. 49:428-435

Staphylococcus aureus growth, thermostable nuclease (TNase) and enterotoxin production in inoculated canned salmon incubated at $22 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for 4 d were dependent on the size of inoculum, and on the amount of oxygen present in the headspace; under nitrogen with an inoculum of 7 cfu/can, 10²-10³ cfu/g, no TNase and traces of enterotoxins (A, B, C₂) were observed; under oxygen with the same inoculum $\ge 10^9$ cfu/g, ≥6.0 µg TNase and up to 5.2 µg total enterotoxins (A, B, and C2)/100 g of salmon were observed. Values were intermediate under atmospheric air. After 1 week, 2 months and 4-24 months of incubation of salmon under nitrogen, S. aureus cfus were 10⁸, 10⁶ and 10⁴-10⁵ per g; TNase ranged from trace amounts to 20 µg/100 g and total enterotoxins from <1.0 µg to 6.2 µg/100 g. In canned sardines stored from 1 d to 12 months at $22 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C, levels were 10^9 cfu/g and 3.7-3.9 µg total enterotoxins/100 g; after 1 week, counts declined to 105 cfu/g but total enterotoxins remained relatively stable in some cans with up to 6.2 µg/100 g of sardines after 12 months. TNase varied from $<1.0 \ \mu g$ to 20 $\ \mu g/100 \ g$ of salmon with 10⁹ and 10⁵ cfu/g, respectively. In sardines, similar variation in TNase was observed and there was no correlation between TNase, enterotoxins and cfu/g. After 2 d to 24 months, carbon dioxide, an acidic smell and unacceptable odors were detectable over the headspace of S. aureus contaminated salmon and sardines, but not all persons who sniffed the contaminated products could recognize off-odors that would warn them against consuming the food. To prevent canned foods from causing staphylococcal illness, the conditions allowing post-process contamination should be eliminated by the producer and distributor of the products.

Use of a Disc-Assay System to Detect Oxytetracycline Residues in Honey, Lawrence A. Roth, Suet Kwan and Peter Sporns, Food Laboratory Services Branch, Alberta Agriculture, O.S. Longman Building, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6H 4P2 and Department of Food Science, University of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6K 2P5

J. Food Prot. 49:436-441

A simple inexpensive disc-assay system for detection of oxytetracycline (OTC) in honey was developed. This bioassay involved diluting honey 1:1 (wt/wt) with 0.1 M phosphate buffer, pH 7.0, and applying 90 μ l of this solution to a 0.5-in (12.7-mm) filter paper disc placed on *Bacillus cereus*-inoculated media. This test detected about 0.2 μ g OTC/ml (0.4 μ g OTC/g honey) without interference from natural antibacterial inhibitors in honey. It was also shown that a variety of materials contributed to the natural inhibitor effect in honey, including materials other than glucose oxidase-derived hydrogen peroxide and the osmotic effects of sugar.

Evaluation of the Enteropathogenicity of Klebsiella pneumoniae Isolates from Summer-Harvested Louisiana Oysters, B. K. Boutin, P. L. Spaulding and R. M. Twedt, Division of Microbiology, Food and Drug Administration, 1090 Tusculum Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226

J. Food Prot. 49:442-444

Klebsiella pneumoniae isolates were recovered in increased numbers from oysters harvested during the warm months of the year from approved and classified waters. A total of 76 oyster isolates was examined using in vivo and in vitro assays. The nonpathogenic responses of the strains studied suggest that environmental strains are not a public health risk.

Occurrence of Aflatoxin and Aflatoxigenic Molds in Foods and Feed in Spain, V. Sanchis, N. Sala, A. Palomes, P. Santamarina and P. A. Burdaspal, Catedra de Microbiología, E. T. S. I. Agronomos, Universidad Politécnica de Cataluña, Ctra. Huesca km. 3, 25001 Lleida, Spain; Catedra de Microbiologia, E. T. S. I. Agronomos, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Cno. de Vera s/n, 46020 Valencia, Spain; and Centro Nacional de Alimentación y Nutrición de Majadahonda, Majadahonda, Madrid, Spain

J. Food Prot. 49:445-448

A survey was carried out to obtain data on the occurrence of aflatoxin and aflatoxigenic mold contamination of foods in Spain. A variety of commodities amounting to 338 samples were analyzed, comprising cereal grains, mixed feeds, edible nuts, wheat flour for bread-making, biscuits, sliced bread, soya beans and breakfast cereals. The results reveal a rather low incidence of aflatoxin contamination in samples tested. Aflatoxins were detected in 4 of 27 samples of mixed feeds at levels below 5 µg/kg; one sample of peanuts was contaminated with 120 μ g aflatoxin B₁/kg and 22 μ g aflatoxin B₂/kg. Aflatoxins B₁ and B2 were also detected in a lot of whole maize flour, averaging 8 µg/kg and 3 µg/kg, respectively. Of a total of 288 samples tested, 100% showed variable incidences of fungal contamination. Maize samples were the ones most frequently contaminated with Aspergillus flavus (54.5%). Strains of A. flavus isolated from maize samples also showed the highest proportion of aflatoxigenic molds (17.2%) compared with those isolated from other sources.

Distribution of "Attached" Salmonella typhimurium Cells Between Poultry Skin and a Surface Film Following Water Immersion, H. S. Lillard, United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Richard B. Russell Agricultural Research Center, P.O. Box 5677, Athens, Georgia 30613

J. Food Prot. 49:449-454

Poultry skin was immersed in a saline solution (0.85%) containing 10^8 Salmonella typhimurium /ml. After 0.25 min, 95% of the water uptake was in a surface film and 5% in the skin. After immersion for 30 and 60 min, a significant increase in total water uptake occurred at each immersion time. A significant increase in the surface film occurred after 30 min of immersion, but not from 30 to 60 min. After 0.25 min of immersion, 94% of bacterial cells was entrapped in the water film and 6% was on the skin. As immersion time increased, the percentage of bacteria in the surface film decreased, whereas the percentage on the skin increased. After 60 min of immersion, about 39% of bacterial cells was in the surface film and 61% was on the skin. These data indicate a possible transfer of water and bacteria from surface film to skin during prolonged water immersion. Preventing the formation of the surface film by altering surface tension may reduce carcass contamination during immersion processes.

Effects of Connective Tissue Levels on Sensory, Instron, Cooking and Collagen Values of Restructured Beef Steaks, B. W. Berry, J. J. Smith and J. L. Secrist, Meat Science Research Laboratory, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, Beltsville, Maryland 20705 and Food Engineering Laboratory, U.S. Army Natick Research and Development Laboratories, Natick, Maryland 01760

J. Food Prot. 49:455-460

Two separate studies were conducted to evaluate variations in the amount of connective tissue remaining in beef muscle on resultant properties of flaked and formed steaks. Use of chucks rather than rounds as raw material produced greater tenderness, less sensory panel determined connective tissue and lower juiciness scores. As a team of trimmers repeated the instructed trimming procedures on round and chuck muscles over a 3-d period, it appeared that over this time more of the connective tissue was being removed from chuck and less from round muscles. For chuck muscles, more of the soluble collagen was being left on the muscles over the 3-d period. However, these differences in total and soluble collagen did not influence the properties measured. In a second study, which consisted of three (high, intermediate, low) levels of connective tissus in raw materials, texture profile panelists found a greater amount of gristle and webbed tissue (form of connective tissue) in steaks made from raw material with high connective tissue. These steaks with high connective tissue levels were also visually rated as more distorted and fibrous following cooking, with greater hardness and cohesiveness during first bite. Samples from the steaks had higher shear force and Newton values.

Growth and Aflatoxin Production by Aspergillus parasiticus in the Presence of Sodium Chloride, Fathy E. El-Gazzar, Gulam Rusul and Elmer H. Marth, Department of Food Science and The Food Research Institute, University of Wisconsin -Madison, Madison, Wisconsin 53706

J. Food Prot. 49:461-466

Twenty-five milliliters of glucose-yeast-salt medium containing 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10% NaCl was inoculated to contain, approximately 10^5 or 10^7 conidia of *Aspergillus parasiticus* NRRL 2999 and then incubated at 13 or 28° C. Amounts of aflatoxin produced were determined using Reversed-Phase High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC). Increasing the concentration of NaCl reduced accumulation of aflatoxin and also induced a lag in growth of the culture. At 13°C, the mold produced small amounts of aflatoxin after an extended lag phase, and NaCl was markedly more inhibitory at 13 than at 28°C.

Survival of Salmonellae in Refrigerated, Agitated Water and Water/Glycol Mixtures, Edmund A. Zottola and Lorraine B. Smith, Department of Food Science and Nutrition, University of Minnesota, 1334 Eckles Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55108 J. Food Prot. 49:467-470

Survival of Salmonella typhimurium in refrigerated water and a 30:70 mixture of ethylene glycol and water was studied. Survival was determined with an MPN procedure using 333 ml of the cooling medium. Initial populations were determined by spread plating 1 ml of sample on 3 plates of XLD. With water as the suspending medium, the temperature of the circulating water was 1°C. When the cooling medium was the glycol/water mixture, the temperature was -1°C. Low numbers of S. typhimurium were recovered from the cold water for 9 d and from the glycol/water mixture for 14 d. The initial population in the water was 310 CFU/ml and 630 CFU/ml in the glycol/ water system. A preliminary survey of the pressure relationships in the cooling sections of HTST pasteurizers in 8 fluid milk plants showed that 3 had higher pressures on the coolant side than on the pasteurized side. Such a pressure relationship could result in the contamination of pasteurized milk with the cooling medium.

Isolation of Aeromonas hydrophila from Bottled Waters and Domestic Water Supplies in Saudi Arabia, Peter J. Slade, Mohammed A. Falah and Ahmed M. R. Al-Ghady, Ministry of Commerce, Quality Control Laboratory, Halat Amar(Tabuk), Saudi Arabia

J. Food Prot. 49:471-476

A total of 139 replicate samples of water were tested for Aeromonas hydrophila and coliforms. These consisted of 95 replicates from bottled mineral water, 13 replicates from flower petal infusions and 31 samples of domestic municipality supplies. Of these, 59 (43%) were positive for A. hydrophila, 15 (11%) were positive for coliforms and 11 (8%) positive for both A. hydrophila and coliforms. Most of the isolates of A. hydrophila came from various batches of one brand of bottled mineral water, none of which contained coliforms. The organism was isolated more frequently from newer samples, particularly those bottled for 59 d or less. Samples of treated water from one municipality were free from coliforms and A. hydrophila. Chlorinated water from another town was free from coliforms, but some samples contained A. hydrophila. In unchlorinated water from a third municipal source, there was a high degree of correlation between incidence of A. hydrophila and presence of coliforms. A selective method, using media without antibiotics, for isolation of A. hydrophila was used. A novel medium for the presumptive identification of A. hydrophila,

gelatin arginine dihydrolase (GAD) medium, was assessed, with confirmation of suspected isolates using the API 20E system. Of 109 isolates from two selective agars identified with the organism on API strips, 18 (16.5%) were falsely gelatinase negative in GAD medium, of which 9 (8.3%) also gave false-negative arginine dihydrolase reactions. Of those presumptively identified as A. hydrophila in GAD, 4/95 isolates (4.2% false-positives) were not confirmed.

Current Resuscitation Methods for Recovery of Stressed Staphylococcus aureus Cells from Foods, Gayle A. Lancette, Food and Drug Administration, Minneapolis Center for Microbiological Investigations, 240 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

J. Food Prot. 49:477-481

Methods and media used to recover stressed and unstressed *Staphylococcus aureus* cells from foods are reviewed. Most probable number methods using Trypticase soy broth with 10% salt and 1% sodium pyruvate, a liquid modification of Baird-Parker agar and Giolitti and Cantoni's broth with Tween are discussed. Direct plating media reviewed are Baird-Parker agar, modified Vogel and Johnson agar, egg yolk-free Baird-Parker agar and single-step *Staphylococcus* selective agar.

Phosphates as Antibotulinal Agents in Cured Meats: A Review, M. K. Wagner, Department of Food Science, University of Wisconsin, 1605 Linden Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 J. Food Prot. 49:482-487

Phosphates have been suggested as potential substitutes for the currently used nitrite in cured meat products, yet relatively little research has been done on the antibotulinal effects of phosphates. Phosphate selection for use in the cured meat industry continues to be based upon achieving certain functional objectives rather than microbiological control (i.e., improved tenderness, moisture retention, reduced shrinking during cooking, pH adjustments, emulsification, sequestration of ions). Current federal regulations limit addition of phosphates to amounts needed to achieve functionality. One notable exception is shelf-stable pasteurized processed cheese, cheese foods and cheese spreads, in which addition of phosphates for emulsification purposes also appears to provide antimicrobial or antibotulinal protection. It is, therefore, becoming evident that phosphates have the potential under certain conditions, of enhancing microbial or botulinal safety and stability of certain foods, with certain phosphates [i.e. sodium acid pyrophosphate (SAPP)] or mixture of phosphates displaying more effectiveness than others.

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3-A Sanitary Standards for Wet Collectors for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products

Number 43-00

Formulated by International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians United States Public Health Service The Dairy Industry Committee

It is the purpose of the IAMFES, USPHS, and DIC, in connection with the development of the 3-A Sanitary Standards program to allow and encourage full freedom for inventive genius or new developments. Wet collector specifications heretofore or hereafter developed which so differ in design, material, fabrication, or otherwise, as not to confrom to the following standards but which, in the fabricator's opinion, are equivalent or better, may be submitted for the joint consideration of the IAMFES, USPHS, and DIC at any time.

A

SCOPE

A 1

These standards cover the sanitary aspects of one pass wet collectors for liquid entrapment and collection of particulates of dry milk and dry milk products from air exhausted, from a spray drying system, or an instantizing system, beginning at the air and liquid inlets and terminating at the air and liquid outlets. These standards include the manifold or distribution system for liquid as well as means for spraying liquid. The wet collector may include a venturi and connecting duct. If an air outlet duct is provided by the manufacturer, such duct is also covered by these standards. These standards do not include fans used in conjunction with collectors.

A.2

In order to conform with these 3-A Sanitary Standards wet collectors shall comply with the following design, material, and fabrication criteria.

R

DEFINITIONS

B.1

Product: Shall mean milk and milk product.

B.2

Liquid: Shall mean the entrapment liquid which shall be safe water, milk, or a milk product.

B.3

Safe Water: Shall mean water from a supply properly located, protected, and operated and shall be of a safe sanitary quality. The water shall meet the standards prescribed in the National Interim Primary Drinking Water Regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency Office of Water Supply - EPA-570/9-76-003.*1

B.4

Product Contact Surface: Shall mean all surfaces that are exposed to the product, or from which liquids and/ or solids may drain, drop, or be drawn into the product.

B.5

Non-Product Contact Surface: Shall mean all other exposed surfaces.

B.6

Mechanical Cleaning or Mechanically Cleaning: Shall denote cleaning, solely by circulation and/or flowing chemical detergent solutions and water rinses onto and over the surfaces to be cleaned, by mechanical means.

C

MATERIALS

C.1

All product contact surfaces shall be of stainless steel of the AISI 300 series^{*2} or corresponding ACI^{*3} types (See Appendix, Section E), or metal which under conditions of intended use is at least as corrosion-resistant as stainless steel of the foregoing types, and is nontoxic and non-absorbent, except that:

C.1.1

Rubber and rubber-like materials may be used for removable or bonded gaskets.

C.1.2

Rubber and rubber-like materials when used for the above specified applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the 3-A Standards for Rubber and Rubber-Like Materials, Number 18-00.

C.1.3

Plastic materials may be used for sight and/or light ports and removable or bonded gaskets.

C.1.4

Plastic materials when used for the above specified applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the 3-A Standards for Multiple-Use Plastics Material, Number 20-13.

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^{*1} For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Print-

ing Office, Washington, DC 20402. *²The data for this series are contained in the following reference: AISI Steel Product Manual, Stainless & Heat Resisting Steels, Dec. 1974, Table 2-1, pp. 18-19. Available from: American Iron & Steel Institute, 1000 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20036.

^{*3} Steel Founders' Society of America, Cast Metals Federation Bldg., 155 State St., Des Plaines, IL 60016.

C.1.5

Glass may be used in sight and/or light ports and shall be of a clear heat resistant type.

C.1.6

Bonded rubber and rubber-like materials and bonded plastic materials having product contact surfaces shall be of such composition as to retain their surface and conformation characteristics when exposed to the conditions encountered in the environment of intended use and in cleaning and bactericidal treatment.

C.1.7

The final bond and residual adhesive of bonded rubber and rubber-like materials and bonded plastic-materials (if used), shall be non-toxic.

C.1.8

Single service sanitary-type gaskets may be used in connections which must be disassembled for cleaning. C.2

Non-product contact surfaces shall be of corrosion-resistant material or material that is rendered corrosionresistant. If coated, the coating used shall adhere. Non-product contact surfaces shall be relatively nonabsorbent, durable, and cleanable. Parts removable for cleaning having both product contact and non-product contact surfaces shall not be painted.

D

FABRICATION

D.1

All product contact surfaces shall have a finish at least as smooth as a No. 4 ground finish on stainless steel sheets and be free of imperfections such as pits, folds, and crevices in the final fabricated form (See Appendix, Section F).

D.2

Permanent joints in metallic product contact surfaces shall be continuously welded. Welded areas on product contact surfaces shall be at least as smooth as a No. 4 ground finish on stainless steel sheets free of imperfections such a pits, folds, and crevices.

D.3

Appurtenances having product contact surfaces shall be easily removable for cleaning, or shall be readily cleanable in place.

D.4

Product contact surfaces not designed to be mechanically cleaned shall be easily accessible for cleaning and inspection either when in an assembled position or when removed. Removable parts shall be readily demountable.

D.5

Wet collectors that are to be mechanically cleaned shall be designed so that the product contact surfaces and non-removable appurtenances thereto can be mechanically cleaned and are easily accessible for inspection.

D.6

Product contact surfaces shall be self-draining except for normal clingage.

D.6.1

The collector bottom shall be pitched to the outlet at least 3/4 inch per foot.

D.6.2

The product retention volume in gallons in the collector shall not exceed the feed rate in gallons/minute such that the average residence time shall not exceed one minute during normal operation except when:

D.6.2.1

Product is being discharged directly to the balance tank of the pasteurizer in an evaporator pasteurizer system, the liquid retention time shall not exceed 15 minutes during diversion.

D.7

Fittings in product contact surfaces shall conform 3-A standards for fittings, number 08-17 Rev. and/or to the applicable provisions for welded sanitary product pipelines found in the 3-A Practice for Permanently Installed Product-Pipelines, Number 605-02.

D.8

Gaskets having a product contact surface shall be removable or permanently bonded to the surface.

D.9

Bonded gaskets shall be bonded in a manner that the bond is continuous and mechanically sound and when exposed to the conditions encountered in the environment of intended use and in cleaning and bactericidal treatment the rubber or rubber-like material or the platic material does not separate from the base material to which it is bonded.

D.10

Any gasket groove or gasket retaining groove, except in the bonded area, shall be no deeper than its width and shall not exceed 1/4 inch in depth or be less than 1/4 inch wide except those for standard O-Rings smaller than 1/4 inch.

D.11

All internal angles of 135 degrees or less on product contact surfaces shall have minimum radii of 1/4 inch except:

D.11.1

The minimum radii in gasket grooves or gasket retaining grooves other than those for standard 1/4 inch and smaller O-Rings shall be not less than 1/8 inch.

D.11.2

The minimum radii in grooves for standard 1/4 inch O-Rings shall be not less than 3/32 inch and for standard 1/8 inch O-Rings shall be not less than 1/32 inch.

D.11.3

Where smaller radii are required for essential functional reasons, the angle must be readily accessible for cleaning and inspection.

D.12

There shall be no exposed threads on product contact surfaces except where required for functional and safety reasons such as those in liquid atomizing nozzles.

D.13

Means of access to inspect product contact surfaces shall be provided.

D.14

The inside dimension of a manhole opening, if provided, shall be not less than 15 inches by 20 inches if oval or 18 inches in diameter if round.

D.14.1

The upper edge of a top manhole opening shall be not less than 3/8 inch higher than the surrounding area. If an exterior flange is incorporated in it, it shall slope and drain away from the opening. Covers for manholes in the top of wet collectors shall be of the outside swing type.

D.14.2

The sleeve or collar of a side wall and/or end manhole for an inside swing-type manhole cover shall be pitched so that liquids cannot accumulate. Covers for manholes in side walls and/or ends shall be of the inside or outside swing type. If cover swings inside it shall also swing outside away from the opening. Threads of ball joints employed to attach a manhole cover and its appendage shall not be located within the wet collector.

D.15

Sight and light openings, when provided shall be of such design and construction that the inner surfaces drain inwardly, and if the wet collector is designed for mechanical cleaning, the inner surface of the glass or plastic shall be relatively flush with the inner surface of the wet collector. The exterior flare shall be pitched so that liquids cannot accumulate. The glass or plastic shall be readily removable. The inside diameter of the opening shall be at least 3-3/4 inches.

D.16

Thermometer connections, when provided, shall confrom to the 3-A Standards for Instrument Fittings and Connections, Number 09-07.

D.17

Wet collectors whose inside height exceeds 96 inches shall be provided with means for mechanically cleaning the product contact surfaces of the wet collector and all non-removable appurtenances.

D.18

In drying systems in which the wet collector and the drier or instantizer are not wet cleaned at the same time, positive means shall be provided to prevent moisture from the wet collector entering dry product areas of the drier.

D.19

The air outlet ductwork of the wet collector downstream of the product contact surface that is a part of and furnished by the wet collector manufacturer shall drain away from the product contact surface. A pitch of at least 3/8 inch per foot to the first vertical drop or drain point of the ductwork shall be provided.

*4 Available from ASTM, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

D.20

The means of support shall provide a clearance between the lowest part of the wet collector and the floor, with the exception of legs, of (1) at least 6 inches when the wet collector outlines an area in which any point is less than 36 inches from the nearest edge of the area or (2) a clearance of at least 8 inches when any point is more than 36 inches from the nearest edge.

D.21

Legs, if provided, shall be smooth with rounded ends and have no exposed threads. Legs made of hollow stock shall be sealed.

D.22

Insulation, if provided, shall be covered with a material conforming to the criteria in C.2 and installed in such a manner to prevent liquid and other contaminants from accumulating between the insulation and the surfaces being insulated.

D.23

Non-product contact surfaces shall have a smooth finish, be readily cleanable, and shall be free of cracks and crevices.

D.23.1

Surfaces to be coated shall be effectively prepared.

D.23.2

External supporting members, braces, guards, catwalks, stairs and handrails are considered as part of the building structure, i.e., walls, floors, and ceilings are not considered non-product contact surfaces of this equipment.

APPENDIX

Ε

STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS

Stainless steel conforming to the applicable composition ranges established by $AISI^{*2}$ for wrougth products, or by ACI^{*3} for cast products, should be considered in compliance with the requirements of Section C.1 herein. Where welding is involved the carbon content of the stainless steel should not exceed 0.08%. The first reference cited in C.1 sets forth the chemical ranges and limits of acceptable stainless steel of the 300 series. Cast grades of stainless steel corresponding to types 303, 304, and 316 are designated CF-16F, CF-8, and CF-8M, respectively. These cast grades are covered by ASTM^{*4} specifications A296-68 and A351-70.

F

G

PRODUCT CONTACT SURFACE FINISH

Surface finish equivalent to 150 grit or better as obtained with silicon carbide properly applied on stainless steel sheets is considered in compliance with the requirements of Section D.1 herein.

AIR VENTING

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3-A Sanitary Standards for Bag Collectors for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products

Number 40-01

Formulated by International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians United States Public Health Service The Dairy Industry Committee

It is the purpose of the IAMFES, USPHS, and DIC in connection with the development of the 3-A Sanitary Standards Program to allow and encourage full freedom for inventive genius or new developments. Bag collector specifications heretofore or hereafter developed which so differ in design, material, fabrication, or otherwise, as not to conform to the following standards but which, in the fabricator's opinion, are equivalent or better, may be submitted for the joint consideration of the IAMFES, USPHS, and DIC at any time.

A

SCOPE

A.1

These standards cover the sanitary aspects of bag collectors for dry cloth entrapment and collection of particulates of dry milk and dry milk products from air exhausted from a spray drying system, or an instantizing system beginning at the air inlets of the bag collector and terminating at the air exhaust and product outlets.

A.2

In order to conform with these 3-A Sanitary Standards, bag collectors shall comply with the following design, material, and fabrication criteria.

DEFINITIONS

B.1

B

Product: Shall mean dry milk and dry milk products. B.2

Bag: Shall mean filter media to serve as the entrapment medium in a stream of air containing suspended particulates.

B.3

Product Contact Surface: Shall mean all surfaces that are exposed to the product, or airborne product, terminating at the air filtering media, or from which liquids and/or solids may drain, drop, or be drawn into the product.

B.4

Mechanical Cleaning or Mechanically Cleaning: Shall denote cleaning, solely by circulation and/or flowing chemical detergent solutions and water rinses onto and over the surfaces to be cleaned, by mechanical means.

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B.5

Exhaust Air Contact Surfaces: Shall mean the surfaces or the air ducts, plenum chamber(s) (if provided) and appurtenances from the final product contact surface and terminating at the air outlets.

B.6

Non-Product Contact Surface: Shall mean all other exposed surfaces.

MATERIALS

C.1

C

All product contact surfaces shall be of stainless steel of the AISI 300 series^{*1} or corresponding ACI^{*2} types (See Appendix, Section E), or metal which under conditions of intended use is at least as corrosion-resistant as stainless steel of the foregoing types, and is nontoxic and non-absorbent, except that:

C.1.1

Aluminum alloys conforming to the Aluminum Association^{*3} designates 5052 and 6061 and an Optional Aluminum Alloy conforming to the composition found in Appendix, Section G may be used (1) for venturi for air not to be heated and (2) as a product contact surface for dry product for star wheel rotors that are removed for cleaning, rotary air locks, diverter (flipper) valves, and a supporting or reinforcing member in lightweight moving parts.

C.1.2

Aluminum alloy conforming to the aluminum Association designate A-360, A-380, A-319 and A-315G, may be used for construction of reverse jet venturi and compressed air distribution valves.

C.1.3

Rubber and rubber-like materials may be used for short flexible connectors and removable or bonded gaskets.

C.1.4

Rubber and rubber-like materials when used for the above specified applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the 3-A Standards for Rubber and Rubber-Like Materials, Number 18-00.

^{*1}The data for this series are contained in the following reference: AISI Steel Products Manual, Stainless & Heat Resisting Steels, December, 1974, Table 2-1, pp. 18-19. Available from: American Iron & Steel Institute, 1000 16th St., NW, Washington, DC 20036.

^{*2}Steel Founders' Society of America, Cast Metals Federation Bldg., 455 State St., Des Plaines, IL 60016.

^{*3}Aluminum Association, 818 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20006.

C.1.5

Plastic materials may be used for short flexible connectors, removable or bonded gaskets, coatings (as provided for in Section C.2 and C.3 herein), filter media, and sight and/or light openings.

C.1.6

Plastic materials when used for the above specified applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the 3-A Standard for Plastic Materials, Number 20-13.

C.1.7

Glass may be used in sight and/or light openings and when used shall be of a clear heat-resistant type.

C.1.8

Bonded rubber and rubber-like materials and bonded plastic materials having product contact surfaces shall be of such composition as to retain their surface and conformation characteristics when exposed to the conditions encountered in the environment of intended use and in cleaning and bactericidal treatment.

C.1.9

The final bond and residual adhesive, if used, or bonded rubber and rubber-like materials and bonded plastic materials shall be non-toxic.

C.1.10

Cotton, linen, silk, wool, or synthetic fibers may be used for separation of product from exhaust air. These materials shall be non-shedding, non-toxic, relatively insoluble, easily cleanable, and shall not impart a flavor to the product.

C.2

Exhaust air contact surfaces for bag collector systems which clean by air reversal, except for those of flexible connectors, fans, dampers, and other mechanical parts shall be of stainless steel with no open chamber seams.

C.2.1

Exhaust air contact surfaces for bag collector systems which do not clean by air reversal shall be considered non-product contact surfaces.

C.3

Non-product contact surfaces shall be of corrosion-resistant material or material that is rendered corrosionresistant. If coated, the coating used shall adhere. Non-product contact surfaces shall be relatively nonabsorbent, durable and cleanable. Parts removable for cleaning having both product contact and non-product contact surfaces shall not be painted.

D

FABRICATION

D.1

All product contact surfaces shall have a finish at least as smooth as a No. 4 ground finish on stainless steel sheets and be free of imperfections such as pits, folds, and crevices in the final fabricated form (See Appendix F).

D.2

Permanent joints in metallic product contact surfaces

shall be continuously welded. Welds shall be smooth and pit free and shall be at least as smooth as a finish obtained with 80 grit silicon carbide. Intricate fabricated and/or machined components shall be as smooth as a finish obtained with 80 grit silicon carbide, with welds smooth and pit free.

D.3

Appurtenances having product contact surfaces shall be easily removable for cleaning, or shall be readily cleanable in place.

D.4

Product contact surfaces shall be easily accessible for cleaning and inspection either when in an assembled position or when removed. Removable parts shall be readily demountable.

D.4.1

Product contact surfaces and exhaust air contact surfaces not designed to be cleaned by hand shall be designed for mechanism cleaning.

D.5

Gaskets having a product contact surface shall be removable or bonded.

D.6

Bonded rubber and rubber-like material and bonded plastic material having product contact surfaces shall be bonded in a manner that the bond is continuous and mechanically sound and when exposed to the conditions encountered in the environment of intended use and in cleaning and bactericidal treatment the rubber or rubber-like material or the plastic material does not separate from the product contact surface.

D.7

Gasket retaining grooves in product contact surfaces for removable gaskets shall not exceed 1/4 inch in depth and, except those for standard O-Rings smaller than 1/4 inch, shall be at least 1/4 inch wide.

D.8

Internal angles of 135 degrees or less on product contact surfaces shall have radii of not less than 1/4 inch, except that:

D.8.1

The radii in gasket grooves or gasket retaining grooves for removable gaskets, except for those for standard 1/4 inch and smaller O-Rings, shall be not less than 1/8 inch.

The radii in grooves for standard 1/4 inch O-Rings shall be not less than 3/32 inch and for standard 1/8 inch O-Rings shall be not less than 1/32 inch.

D.8.3

Radii for fillets of welds in product contact surfaces where the thickness of one or both parts joined is 3/16 inch or less shall be not less than 1/8 inch.

D.8.4

Where smaller radii are required for essential functional reasons such as those on internal parts of mechanical collectors, collector systems, air lock blades, air distribution devices, and conveying

D.8.2

mechanism, the radii shall not be less than 1/32 inch. D.9

Means of access to inspect product contact surfaces shall be provided.

D.10

The inside dimension of a manhole opening, if provided, shall be not less than 15 inches by 20 inches if elliptical or 18 inches in diameter if round. The upper edge of a top manhole opening shall be not less than 3/8 inch higher than the surrounding area and if an exterior flange is incorporated in it, it shall slope and drain away from the opening. The sleeve or collar of a manhole opening for an inside swing-type of manhole cover shall be installed in a vertical position and pitched so that liquids cannot accumulate.

D.11

Sight and light openings may be provided.

D.12

Where air from a separate source is used for cleaning and/or purging, the air supply shall comply with the applicable criteria contained in 3-A Accepted Practices, Number 604-03 for Air Under Pressure, except for Sections C.3, D.3.3 and D.4.2, or Number 607-03 for Spray Drying Systems.

D.12.1

Air distribution piping and fittings downstream of the disposable filter (ref. D.12.3) shall be of stainless steel except compressed air distribution valves may be made of cast aluminum. Air distribution piping, internal to the collector, shall be smooth and free of imperfections such as pits, folds, and crevices in the final fabricated form and readily demountable.

Slip connections with O-Ring seals conforming to Section D.8 may be used.

D.12.2

The manifold shall be of stainless steel with no open seams.

D.12.3

A disposable media final filter, complying with the specifications for disposable filters in the 3-A Accepted Practices for Air Under Pressure Number 604-03, shall be positioned upstream from the collector air manifold. The filter shall be as close to the manifold as possible and shall be readily accessible.

D.13

Non-product contact surfaces shall have a smooth finish, be readily cleanable and those to be coated shall be effectively prepared for coating. Non-product contact surfaces shall be free of cracks and crevices. Insulation, if provided, shall be covered with a material conforming to the criteria in C.2 or C.3.

D.14

Exhaust air contact surfaces shall be accessible and readily cleanable. If no other means of easy access for cleaning is available, panels or doors shall be provided. They shall be constructed in a manner that will prevent the entrance of unfiltered air, and shall use hinges, wing nuts, latches, and similar easy opening devices to allow easy access without special tools. Hinges shall be separable and readily cleanable. They shall not be of a continuous (piano) type.

D.15

When means are provided for conveying the product from the bag collector, the means shall comply with the applicable 3-A Sanitary Standards or Accepted Practices.

APPENDIX

E

STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS

Stainless steel conforming to the applicable ranges established by AISI^{*1} for wrought products, or by ACI^{*2} for cast products, should be considered in compliance with the requirements of Section C.1 herein. Where welding is involved the carbon content of the stainless steel should not exceed 0.08 percent. The first reference citied in C.1 sets forth the chemical ranges and limits of acceptable stainless steel of the 300 series. Cast grades of stainless steel corresponding to types 303, 304, and 316 are designated CF-16F, CF-8, and CF-8M, respectively. These cast grades are covered by ASTM^{*4} specifications A296-68 and A351-70.

F

PRODUCT CONTACT SURFACE FINISH

Surface finish equivalent to 150 grit or better as obtained with silicon carbide properly applied on stainless steel sheets, is considered in compliance with the requirements of Section D.1 herein.

G

OPTIONAL ALUMINUM ALLOY

An acceptable alloy is covered by Danish Standards DS #3002, and is designated #4261. Equivalent U.S. standards are designated ASTM B179 S12c, and Aluminum Association #C413.

H

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLEANING BAG COL-LECTORS

H.1

DRY CLEANING PROGRAM

H.1.1

Disassemble and thoroughly vacuum or dry brush clean all product contact surfaces of the bag collector. Reassemble as soon as finished and keep all parts dry.

H.1.2

Inspect bag cages, venturis, and similar parts for their condition. Any necessary repair or replacement should be made as soon as possible.

H.1.3

Thoroughly clean all external parts of the bag collector.

H.2

WET CLEANING PROGRAM

H.2.1

Dissassemble and remove all loose dry product. Then

^{*4} Available from ASTM, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

rinse all parts with clear water and follow with a thorough hand brushing of all parts using a general purpose cleanser. Rinse thoroughly to remove all cleaning solution or soil. It is recommended that hot water (170 degrees F/77 degrees C) or above be used for rinsing in order to sanitize the equipment and to promote drying.

Allow all parts to air dry completely prior to reassembly. Wet washing should be done as necessary. After cleaning, drying and reassembly, all openings should be protected against recontamination.

H.3 GENERAL

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Vacuum cleaning is preferred to brush cleaning or cleaning with air under pressure as it decreases dust drift to other areas of the plant.

H.3.2

Brushes or vacuum cleaner fittings used for cleaning product contact surfaces should not be used for cleaning non-product contact surfaces or for other uses which might result in contamination. Such tools should be made of materials that can be cleaned and sanitized and shall not have wooden parts nor be of mild steel or other iron products that will rust. Such brushes and special fittings should be stored in an enclosed cabinet when not in use. For protection and housekeeping considerations, such cabinets should be of non-wood construction and should have open mesh metal shelving.

These standards shall become effective September 25, 1986, at which time the ''3-A Sanitary Standards for Bag Collectors for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products'', Number 40-00, are rescinded and become null and void.

3-A Sanitary Standards No. 43-00, con't. from p. 271

cleaned mechanically should be vented adequately by opening the manhole door to prevent vacuum or pressure build-up due to sudden changes in temperature of very large volumes of air. Wet collectors having a manhole(s) opening in the side wall that will be open during cleaning should be provided with means to prevent excess loss of cleaning solution through the opening. The use of tempered water of about 95 degrees F (35 degrees C) for both pre-rinsing and post rinsing is recommended to reduce the effect of flash heating and cooling. Provisions should be made to prevent overfilling with resultant vacuum or pressure damage to the wet collector.

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The volume of liquid retention in the collector bottom should be maintained at a minimum and should not exceed the maximum volume described in D.6.2

PLACEMENT

Wet collector equipment, with the exception of the exhaust to atmosphere section, should be in a processing area.

These standards shall become effective September, 25, 1986.



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June 9-20, COOKIE TECHNOLOGY. For more information contact: Bev Martin, Research Department, American Institute of Baking, 1213 Bakers Way, Manhattan KS 66502.

June 13-14, WATER ACTIVITY: THEORY AND APPLICATIONS, Institute of Food Technologists & International Union of Food Science and Technology 10TH BASIC SYM-POSIUM, to be held at the Grenelefe Hotel, Dallas, TX. For more information contact: Miss Marlene Myszkowski, Institute of Food Technologists, 221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60601. 312-782-8424.

June 16-19, BASIC FOOD PLANT MICROBIOLOGY. For more information contact: Shirley Grunder, Sanitation Education Department, American Institute of Baking, 1213 Bakers Way, Manhattan, KS 66502.

June 23-27, CRACKER TECHNOLOGY. For more information contact: Bev Martin, Research Department, American Institute of Baking, 1213 Bakers Way, Manhattan, KS 66502.

June 29-July 2, 29TH CONFERENCE OF THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, to be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. For more information contact: Terry Smyrl, Ph.D., Alberta Horticultural Research Center, Brooks, Alberta, Canada, TOJ 0J0. 403-362-3391.

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July 12-19, SIXTH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON RAPID METHODS AND AUTOMATION IN MICROBIOLOGY, to be held at Kansas State University. For more information concerning Program contents contact: Daniel Y.C. Fung, Call Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS. 66506. 913-532-5654. For registration information contact: Joe Pitte, Conference Center, Wareham building, Anderson Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502. 913-532-5575.

July 14-18, TECHNOLOGIA DE PRO-DUCTION DE PAN (BREAD PRODUCTION FOR SPANISH SPEAKING BAKERS). For more information contact: Donna Mosburg, Registrar, American Institute of Baking, 1213 Bakers Way, Manhattan, KS 66502.

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July 15-19, PURDUE CANNERS TECHNI-CIANS MOLD COUNT SCHOOL. For more information contact: Dr. James V. Chambers, Food Science Department, Smith Hall, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907. 317-494-8279.

July 21-25, PRINCIPLES OF BAKERY PRODUCTION-BREAD OR CAKE. For more information contact: Donna Mosburg, Registrar, American Institute of Baking, 1213 Bakers Way, Manhattan, KS 66502.

July 22-25, FOOD SAFETY TRAINING COURSE to be held at the Holiday Inn-University Center, Gainesville, Florida. For more information contact: Sara Jo Atwell, ABC Research Corporation, 3437 SW 24th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32607. 904-372-0436.

AUGUST 3-7, IAMFES ANNUAL MEETING to be held at the Radisson South, Minneapolis, MN. For more information contact: Kathy R. Hathaway, IAMFES, Inc., P.O. Box 701, Ames, IA 50010, 515-232-6699.

August 4-8, CANNING TECHNOLOGY COURSE, to be held at Cornell University -NYSAES, Geneva, NY. For more information contact: D. L. Downing. 315-787-2273.

August 10-15, 1986 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGY to be held at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel, San Francisco, CA. For more information contact: Mrs. Ann Kulback - SIM Business Secretary, SIM Headquarters, P.O. Box 12534, Arlington, VA 22209. 703-941-5373.

September 15-17, IFDA ADVANCED FOODSERVICE BUYERS SEMINAR to be held at Tysons Corner Marriott Hotel. For more information contact: Chuck Brimmer. 703-532-9400.

September 20 - October 3, 1986 XXII IN-TERNATIONAL DAIRY CONGRESS, The Hague, The Netherlands. For more information contact: H. Wainess, Secretary U.S. National Committee of the IDF (USNAC), 464 Central Avenue, Northfield, IL. 312-446-2402.

September 22-26, 70TH ANNUAL SES-SIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAIRY FEDERATION. For more information contact: Congress Organizing Department, c/o Netherlands Congress Centre, P.O. Box 82000, 2508 EA The Hague, The Netherlands. You may also contact: H. Wainess, Secretary U.S. National Committee of the IDF, 464 Central Avenue, Northfield, IL. 312-446-2402.

September 23-25, WYOMING PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIANS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING, to be held at the Holiday Inn, Thermopolis, WY 82443. For more information contact: William George, 118 1/2 N. 11th, Worland, WY 982401. 307-347-2617.

September 23-26, FOOD SAFETY TRAIN-ING COURSE to be held at the Holiday Inn-University Center, Gainesville, Florida. For more information contact: Sara Jo Atwell, ABC Research Corporation, 3437 SW 24th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32607. 904-372-0436.

October 21-22, CALIFORNIA ASSOCIA-TION OF DAIRY AND MILK SANITA-RIANS ANNUAL MEETING, to be held at Holiday Iran Downtown, Fresno, CA. For more information contact: Richard C. Harrell, 1554 West 120th St., Los Angeles, CA 90047. 213-757-9719.

October 27-29, 1986 INTERNATIONAL WHEY CONFERENCE, sponsored jointly by the Whey Institute and the International Dairy Federation, O'Hare Marriott Hotel, Chicago, IL. For more information contact: Conference Secretariat, Whey Products Institute, 130 North Franklin Street, Chicago, IL 312-782-5455.

November 1-6, FOOD SANITATION 29TH ANNUAL NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION, Scottsdale, Arizona. For more information contact: Harold Rowe at 813-586-5710 or write: Jean Day, Registrar, Food Sanitation Institute, 1019 Highland Ave., Largo, FL 33540.

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September 26-30, DFISA's FOOD & DAIRY EXPO '87, to be held at McCormick Place, Chicago, IL. For more information contact: DFISA, 6245 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MA 20852. 301-984-1444.











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