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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- **2. Agency responsible:** The UK Food Safety Authorities comprising of the Food Standards Agency (FSA) and Food Standards Scotland (FSS)
- Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):

Authorization of four novel food (NF) products and modification to the conditions of use of one novel food and specifications for its existing authorization.

The four novel food products are:

- 3'-Sialyllactose (3'-SL) sodium salt
- 6'-Sialyllactose (6'-SL) sodium salt
- Schizochytrium sp. (WZU477) oil
- Schizochytrium sp. (FCC-3204) oil.

The modification of one novel food is:

- 2'-Fucosyllactose/difucosyllactose mixture (2'-FL/DFL) (note this consists of a change to the conditions of use and specifications, not a new authorization).
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** Authorization of four novel food products and a change to the conditions of use and specification for an existing authorization. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:**

Full text of the legislation made available for England, Scotland and Wales, respectively.

England: <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2022/619/introduction/made">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2022/619/introduction/made</a>
Scotland: <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/en/ssi/2022/168/introduction/made">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/en/ssi/2022/168/introduction/made</a>

Wales: https://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2022/575/made

**6. Description of content:** The UK Food Safety Authorities are notifying Members of an authorization of four novel food products for use in the GB market and a change to the conditions of use of one novel food and its specification for an existing authorization.

The authorizations cover novel food products to be used as components in infant followon formula. The following products are classified as "human-identical milk oligosaccharides (HiMOs)". The manufactured HiMOs are identical in structure to the same molecules present in breast milk.

- o 3'-Sialyllactose (3'-SL) sodium salt,
- o 6'-Sialyllactose (6'-SL) sodium salt.

Terms for entry to the list of authorized novel foods:

- · Unflavoured pasteurised and unflavoured sterilised (including UHT) milk products
- Flavoured fermented milk-based products including heat-treaded products
- Unflavoured fermented milk-based products
- Beverages (flavoured drinks, excluding drinks with a pH less than 5)
- Cereal bars
- Infant formula as defined under Retained EU Regulation 609/2013
- Follow-on formula as defined under Retained EU Regulation 609/2013
- Processed cereal-based drinks and baby food for infants and young children as defined under Retained EU Regulation 609/2013
- Milk-based drinks and similar products intended for young children
- Total diet replacement foods for weight control as defined in Retained EU Regulation 609/2013
- Food for special medical purposes as defined under Retained EU Regulation 609/2013 (only applicable to 3'-Sialyllactose (3'-SL) sodium salt)
- Food supplements as defined in the Food Supplements Regulation 2003 for England, excluding food supplements for infants and young children.
- o 2'-Fucosyllactose/difucosyllactose mixture (2'-FL/DFL) (note this consists of a change to the conditions of use and specifications, not a new authorization)
  - Milk-based drinks and similar products intended for young children.

The below products are Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) rich oils derived from marine algae. DHA is mandatory in infant and follow-on formula in the UK under retained Commission Delegated Regulation 2016/127.

- o Schizochytrium sp. (WZU477) oil
  - Infant formula and follow-on formula as defined in retained Regulation (EU) No 609/2013.
- o Schizochytrium sp. (FCC-3204) oil
  - Food supplements as defined in The Food Supplements Regulations 2003 for England, excluding food supplements for infants and young children
  - Infant and follow-on formula.

These authorizations are made on the basis of the uses and specifications set out in the consultations linked in section 9.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
  - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXG-62-2007 Working Principles for Risk Analysis for Food Safety for Application by Governments.
  - [ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
  - [ ] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
  - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

## [X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Full details of the applications for authorization of these Novel Food products are laid out in previous public consultations on the FSA and FSS websites, available here:

FSA consultation on NF uses FSS consultation on NF uses

The consultations also link to the FSA/FSS risk assessment on the uses.

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 May 2022

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 20 May 2022

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 June 2022
  - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable.

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