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

## **NOTIFICATION**

- Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>
   If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
- 3. 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): Transglutaminase from *Streptomyces mobaraensis* M2020197 in various foods (ICS code: 67.220.20)
- 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: Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Transglutaminase from Streptomyces mobaraensis M2020197 in Various Foods. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 5 and 6

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**6. Description of content:** Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a premarket safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking authorization for the use of transglutaminase from *Streptomyces mobaraensis* M2020197 in various foods.

Transglutaminase from another source is already permitted for use in Canada in a number of the foods requested by the petitioner. Prior to this Notice, *S. mobaraensis* M2020197 was not a permitted source for any food enzyme in Canada.

The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of transglutaminase from *S. mobaraensis* M2020197 for its requested uses. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of transglutaminase from this source as described in the information document by modifying the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes*, effective 2 March 2023.

The purpose of this information document is to publicly announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for those wishing to submit an inquiry or new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.

- 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:
  - [ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquation Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[ ] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[X] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[]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 Health Canada's Food and Nutrition – 'Public Involvement and Partnerships' Website posted 2 March 2023 (available in English and French): <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html</a> (English) <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html</a> (French)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 2 March 2023
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):
	Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 March 2023
	[ ] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 May 2023
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (i available) of other body:
13.	Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
	The Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Transglutaminase from Streptomyces mobaraensis M2020197 in Various Foods is available through the following weblink:  https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-modification-list-permitted-food-enzymes-enable-use-transglutaminase-streptomyces-mobaraensis-m2020197-various-foods.html (English)  https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-liste-enzymes-alimentaires-autorisees-afin-permettre-utilisation-transglutaminase-issue-streptomyces-mobaraensis-m2020197.html (French)
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