

**Question for written answer E-001756/2023  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: The use of NMR profiling in verifying the authenticity of honey

During the 'Out of the Hive' campaign, launched and coordinated by the Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE), a commercial NMR profiling service was used as one of the testing methods. As indicated in the report, NMR profiling is used as a complementary method to verify the authenticity of honey, and the results are also a source of legal uncertainty.

In light of the above:

Can NMR profiling carried out in commercial and private laboratories be considered as a test that complies with the relevant internationally recognised rules and protocols or as a method developed and recommended by the European Union reference laboratories and validated in accordance with internationally recognised scientific protocols?

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