



Standard for olive oil and olive-pomace oil

On-going work in the CODEX, in the IOC and in the EU

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EU marketing standards

- Adoption of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1604 amending Regulation (EEC) No 2568/91
- Study on the implementation of conformity checks in the olive oils sector throughout the EU

OLEUM research project

- State of play: OLEUM Databank

IOC trade standard



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IOC sessions

- 109th session (June 2019): adoption of three revised methods
- 110th session (November 2019):
 - Proposal for adoption: trade Standard (rev.14) & the guidelines of the Standard ISO 17025 on the accreditation of laboratories undertaking sensory analysis;
 - Presentation for information: the guide for verifying the conformity of previously declared category of OO, the guide intended to final consumers on appropriate storage conditions and preservation of OO



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- Simplified method for the determination of stigmastadienes
- Quantification of Erythrodiol and Uvaol
- Decision trees: olive oils displaying anomalous parameters: Δ^7 stigmastenol in refined olive oil and olive oil composed of refined OO and virgin OO
- Revision of certain parameters on the basis of scientific evidence



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- The guide for verifying the conformity of previously declared category of OO: Work on the organoleptic method – recommendations for compliance with declared category: sampling and analysis
- Storage guidelines - recommendations for final consumers
- The Quantified Harmony Value (QHV) as additional differentiation parameter for Sensory Quality of the Grade “Extra Virgin Olive Oil”

CODEX standard (STAN 33-1981)



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Revision of CODEX STAN 33-1981

- Codex: eWG re-conducted: chaired by Spain with Argentina and Canada (co-chairs)
- IOC: establishment of five working groups
 - Fatty acids
 - Ordinary virgin OO
 - Median of defect
 - Ethyl ester
 - PPP, DAG



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