

12 August 2024
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Administrative Assessment Report –Application A1306

Chitosan from *Agaricus bisporus* as a processing aid

1. Application details

<p>Date received: 18 June 2024 Date due for completion of administrative assessment: 10 July 2024 Date completed: 8 July 2024</p>		
<p>Applicant: AB Biotek</p>		<p>Potentially affected Standards and Schedules: Standard 4.5.1, Schedule 18</p>
<p>Brief description of application: To amend the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code to permit a new source microorganism <i>Agaricus bisporus</i> for chitosan to be used as a processing aid for wine, beer, cider, spirits and other alcoholic beverage production.</p>		
<p>Procedure: General Level 2</p>	<p>Maximum total variable hours: 380 hours</p> <p>Reasons why: An assessment of average complexity needed to evaluate a new source for an already permitted processing aid.</p>	<p>Estimated start date for assessment: July 2025</p>

2. Decision

<p>Application accepted</p> <p>Decision Date: 8 July 2024</p>

3. Consultation & assessment timeframe

Proposed length of public consultation periods: 6 weeks	
Proposed timeframe for assessment	
'Early Bird Notification' due: 12 August 2024	
Commence assessment (clock start)	Mid-July 2025
Public comment	Early Nov 2025–late Dec 2025
Board to complete approval by	Mid-April 2026
Notification to Food Ministers' Meeting (FMM)	Late April 2026
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Mid-July 2026