

Food Allergen Testing

detection for products intended to be allergen-free

FOOD PRODUCTS & CLEAN-IN-PLACE RINSES

Food allergen testing including **gluten***, **egg***, **soy***, **milk***, **peanut*** & **almond** are available with a standard 2-day turn-around time. Next-day rush service is also available upon request.

Sample Submission Requirements:

Minimum sample size is 10 g. Use the **Food Allergen Submission Form** available at www.foodmicrolabs.com under the Forms & FAQs page. Email the completed submission form to clientservices@foodmicrolabs.com.

Testing Considerations:

Concentrated food additives, colors & flavors may cause interference. Hydrolyzed & fermented ingredients like probiotics, miso & soy sauce may be allergenic but undetectable. For gluten detection, samples that contain buckwheat, chestnuts, cocoa, coffee, chocolate, wine, herbs or fruits should be disclosed. Almond detection may have cross-reactivity with products containing seeds including apple, plum, cherry, peach, nectarine and/or apricot.

ENVIRONMENTAL SWABS

Environmental swabs used for allergen detection must be tested within 24 hours of collection & require wetting agents specific to the allergen of interest. Allergen swabs for **gluten***, **egg***, **soy***, **milk***, **peanut*** & **almond** are available for purchase.

How to swab:

- Pre-moisten swab with wetting agent provided
- Using a sterile swab, sample an area 4" x 4" using a crosshatch technique, rotating swab to cover entire tip
- Place swab in original tub &, label

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Notify the lab before sending in allergen swabs via clientservices@foodmicrolabs.com.

Shipping Considerations:


Add wetting solution to the tube so that swab tip is fully immersed in liquid. Seal tube(s) tightly & maintain refrigerated temperatures by packing with ice packs & insulated shipping material. Swabs must be shipped overnight & tested within 24 hours of collection.

For allergens not listed, please contact us for more information.

Request a Food Allergen Handbook today.

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