

# Challenges Identified with Food Fraud Implementation – Part 2 of 5: Risk Mitigation Strategies

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# Food Fraud – Part 2 of 5: Risk Mitigation Strategies

- Part 1: A Strategic Approach to Operationalize Food Fraud Mitigation (held on 2/20/19)
- Part 3: Understanding Types of Risk (Regulatory, Operational, Enterprise)
- Part 4: Emerging Issues: Triggers, Indicators, and Risk Analysis
- Part 5: Ecommerce, Counterfeit, and Labeling

# Speakers



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**Food Fraud PDG Chair:** Neil Bogart, Food & Beverage - Area Technical Support – Ecolab







# Agenda

- **Definitions**
- **AOAC Int'l Response**
- **Non-Targeted Testing**
- **Targeted Testing**
- **Priorities**
- **Additional Aspects**



# From Association of Official Agricultural Chemists (1884)



Federal and state departments of agriculture through the USDA Bureau of Chemistry.

- ✓ Initially to standardize methodology used for composition of fertilizers by state laboratories
- ✓ Directed by Harvey Washington Wiley who wrote the 1906 law that began the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

## Evolution from 1884 - 1980s

AOAC's membership grew to include microbiologist, industry scientists, food science professionals, etc...

Known for the compendium of validated methods - **Official Methods of Analysis of AOAC INTERNATIONAL**

Formalized demonstration of method reproducibility through Interlaboratory studies

## To AOAC INTERNATIONAL

Often referred to as Association of Analytical Communities - to encompass all areas of AOAC's work.

In 1991, Association of Official Agricultural Chemists legally changed its name to **AOAC INTERNATIONAL** and it includes

- Voluntary Consensus Standards
- Method validation programs
- Laboratory Proficiency Testing program
- Peer Reviewed Journal & ALACC Guided Memberships & 17 Global Sections
- Conferences, Meetings, Networking
- Education/Training, **and more.....**



AOAC - 1887 Meeting



AOAC 2018 Mid-Year Meeting





## §2.19 Methods of analysis.

Where the method of analysis is not prescribed in a regulation, **it is the policy of the Food and Drug Administration in its enforcement programs to utilize the methods of analysis of the AOAC INTERNATIONAL (AOAC) as published in the latest edition** (13th Ed., 1980) **of their publication “Official Methods of Analysis of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists,” and the supplements thereto** (“Changes in Methods” as published in the March issues of the “Journal of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists”), which are incorporated by reference, when available and applicable. Copies are available from the AOAC INTERNATIONAL, 481 North Frederick Ave., suite 500, Gaithersburg, MD 20877, or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: [http://www.archives.gov/federal\\_register/code\\_of\\_federal\\_regulations/ibr\\_locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html).

### NOTES:

- [42 FR 15559, Mar. 22, 1977, as amended at 47 FR 946, Jan. 8, 1982; 54 FR 9034, Mar. 3, 1989; 70 FR 40880, July 15, 2005; 70 FR 67651, Nov. 8, 2005]
- Title 21 → Chapter I → Subchapter A → Part 2 → Subpart A → §2.19
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## ■ Food Fraud Incidents :

- Deliberate act
- Aims for economic gain in an illicit manner
- Meant to be hidden / not to be discovered
- Misrepresents the food product to consumers



## ■ US FDA Working definition of “Economically Motivated Adulteration” (EMA)

*The fraudulent, intentional substitution or addition of a substance in a product for the purpose of increasing the apparent value of the product, or reducing the cost of its production, i.e. for economic gain.*



- *Food authentication*<sup>\*</sup>
  - a process to evaluate that state of being
- *Food fraud*<sup>\*</sup>
  - the act that creates the problem;
  - the deliberate and intentional substitution, addition, tampering, or misrepresentation of food, food ingredients, or food packaging; or false or misleading statements made about a product, for economic gain.

<sup>\*</sup>John Spink, *quality Assurance & Food Safety*, 2018





- Food fraud vulnerability assessment
  - The standard shall require that the organization has a documented food fraud vulnerability assessment procedure in place to identify potential vulnerability and prioritise food fraud mitigation measures.
- Food fraud mitigation plan
  - The standard shall require that the organization has a documented plan in place that specifies the measures the organization has implemented to mitigate the public health risks from the identified food fraud vulnerabilities.
- Food fraud mitigation plan (Scope)
  - The standard shall require that the organization's Food fraud mitigation plan shall be supported by the organization's Food Safety Management System.



## ■ AOAC INT'L Taskforce on Food Fraud:

- ✓ Shape AOAC's role and future actions to address the Food Fraud
- ✓ Leverage AOAC's leadership and stakeholder engagement to support sustained action in addressing analytical requirements for a Food Fraud Prevention
- ✓ **Framework**
  - **Method Availability**
  - **Method Standardization**







- Created 2 working groups to achieve its objectives and Food Fraud Initiatives :
  - **TT WG:** Map existing methods, their status, needs for method development and Standardization
    - Chaired by Dr. Joe Boison
  - **NTT WG :** Aims to develop Standards Methods Performance Requirements (SMPRs) for such methods to be used in prevention and early detection of food fraud incidents
    - Chaired by Dr. John Szpylka





- Targeted Testing (TT) requires the **prior identification of adulterants** likely to be present in priority food commodities, subject to EMA and is employed to assure that such adulterants is not threatening the safety and overall integrity of the priority ingredient
- Targeted Testing (TT) protocols/procedures to:
  - Support authenticity assurance
  - Ensure the food supply chain integrity
  - Convey the message to those engaged in those practices that they will be prosecuted.





## ■ Actions:

- Assessment of gaps of current food fraud test method and develop SMPRs to validate targeted testing methods;
- Developing standards leading to Codex Type 1 methods;
- Prioritizing actions of adulterants and commodities of interest





- Appendix F: Guidelines for Standard Method Performance Requirements
  
- SMPR
  - Define the needs first, then look for methods
  - Voluntary consensus standards developed by stakeholders
  - Prescribe minimum analytical performance requirements for classes of analytical methods.
  
- Then do a Call for Methods



**Table 1. Analytical range, LOQ, and linearity requirements**

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Operating range                          | 0.2–100% (2 to 1000 g/kg) of dry matter                                       |
| Limit of quantitation (LOQ) <sup>a</sup> | 0.2% (2 g/kg) of dry matter   |
| Linearity of standard curve              | $r \geq 0.999$ , and 95% confidence limit of the $y$ -intercept includes zero |

<sup>a</sup> Methods that do not achieve the LOQ will still be considered.

**Table 2. Recovery, repeatability, and reproducibility parameters**

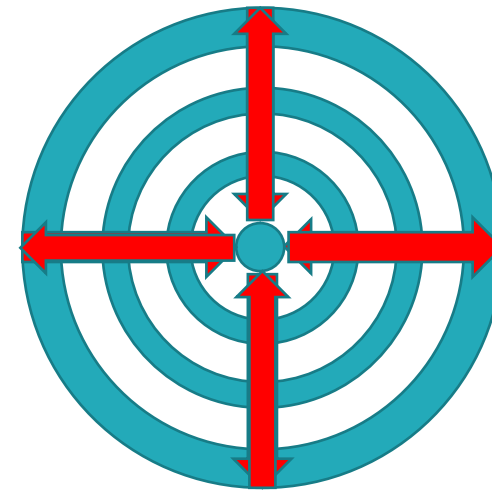
| Range, %             | 0.2–1  | >1–10  | >10–100 |
|----------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Recovery, %          | 90–110 | 93–107 | 95–105  |
| RSD <sub>r</sub> , % | ≤7     | ≤5     | ≤3      |
| RSD <sub>R</sub> , % | ≤14    | ≤10    | ≤6      |





## ■ Concept

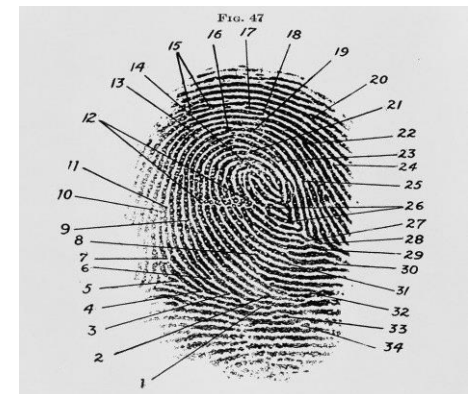
- Create a standardized fingerprint for an ingredient.
- Compare new lots of the ingredient to the fingerprint.
- Quantify “degree of difference”
  - Small amount of difference is a yellow flag
  - Large difference is a red flag



# Non-Targeted Testing (NTT)



- Non-Targeted testing requires the creation of a baseline “fingerprint” to assess degree of difference of a tested lot
- This occurs prior to **identification of adulterants** likely to be present
- This is employed to assess true value of the ingredient/food, and to reduce the risk of a non-safe ingredient or food.





- Variety of methodologies use being used
  - LC-MS/MS
  - GC/MS
  - NMR
  - Spectroscopic
  - XRF and other ones for certain matrices
- Data analysis
  - Chemometrics
  - Principle Component Analysis
  - Customized software
- Requirements don't exist





- Create Standard Method Performance Requirements
  - Demonstration of Non-Targeted Testing method effectiveness
  - Validation/verification guidance
- Apply to NTT tests covering prioritized commodity list





- USP Appendix XVIII, “*Guidance on Developing and Validating Non-Targeted Methods for Adulteration Detection*”
- Applicability Statement
  - Matrix/Purpose/Sensitivity & Sensitivity
  - “Typical Samples”
  - ID adulterants to be used (expected ones)
    - SMPR or Method Developers
  - Validation protocol
    - Levels and Number of Samples





- AOAC protocols on
  - Probability of Detection (POD)
    - OMA Appendix H
  - Probability of Identification (POI)
    - Applies POD to identifying botanicals





- Base %EMA.—Estimated adulteration level in an ingredient that results in significant economic gain.
  - NTT methods should take %EMA into account.
- *POI100*.— the lowest concentration of a defined adulteration that can be identified with 100% accuracy.
- *POI50*.— the lowest concentration of a defined adulteration that can be identified with 50% accuracy.

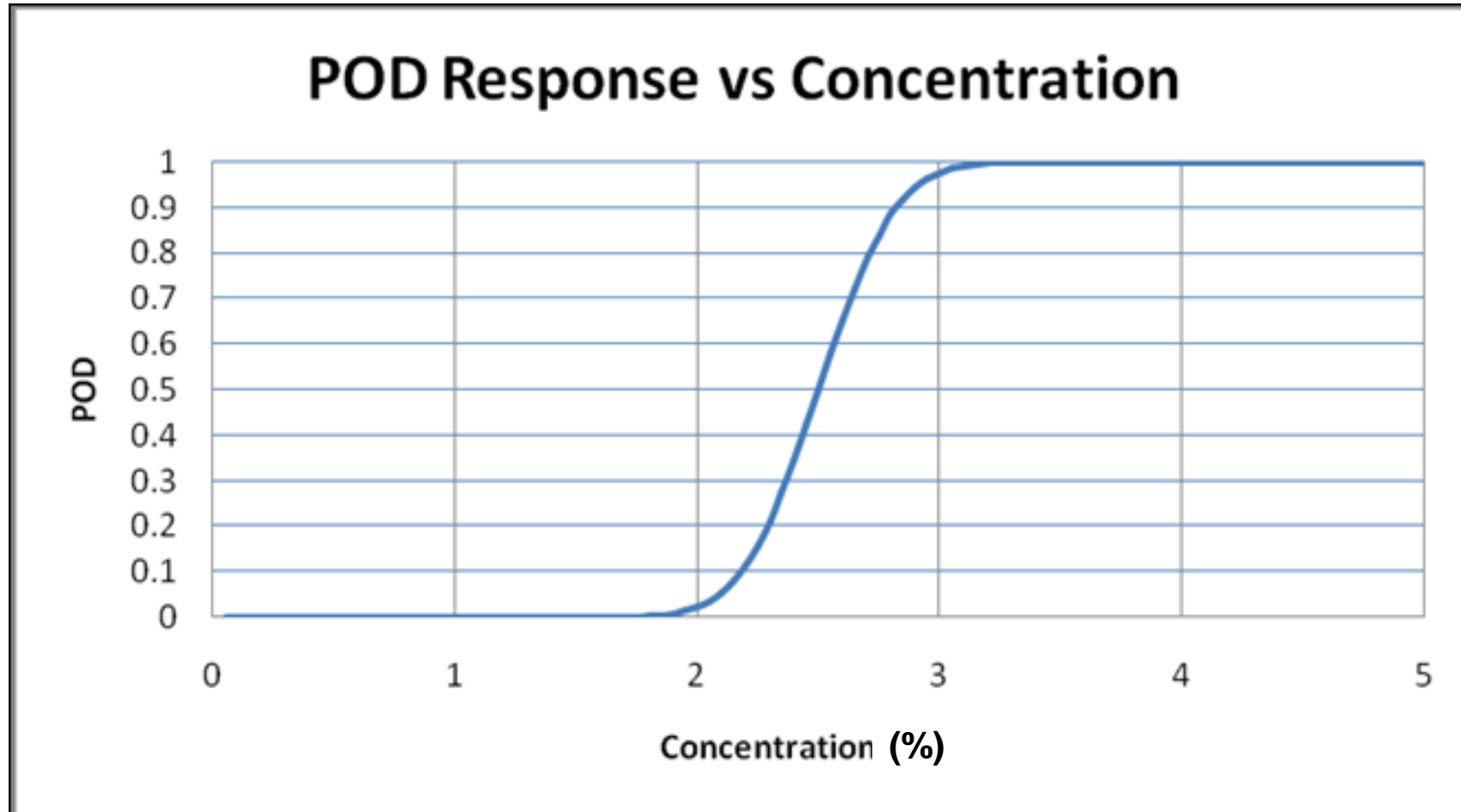




| Table 1: Method Performance Requirements |              |                     |   |                          |   |
|--|--------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
|  | Study        | Parameter           | Parameter requirement   | Target Test Conc (%)     | Minimum Acceptable Results  |
| Single-Laboratory Validation             | Matrix Study | POI below Base %EMA | Minimum 33 replicates representing potential adulterants        | TBD by Stakeholder Panel | 90% POI ( <b>must be decided by task force</b> ) of pooled data for all target compounds and matrices |
|  |              | POI above Base %EMA | Minimum of 5 replicates per ingredient type spiked at Base %EMA | TBD by Stakeholder Panel | 100% correct analyses ( <b>must be decided by task force</b> )  |
|  |              | False-positive rate | Minimum 5 replicates of each ingredient type know to be non-EMA | TBD by Stakeholder Panel | ??  |
|  | Selectivity  | LPOI                | Analyte Specific  | Analyte Specific         |   |



# Probability of Identification (aka Detection)





## ■ Commodity Survey Results

- Olive oil
- Honey
- Fish
- Meat
- Milk Powder
- Seafood
- Grains (rice)
- Spices







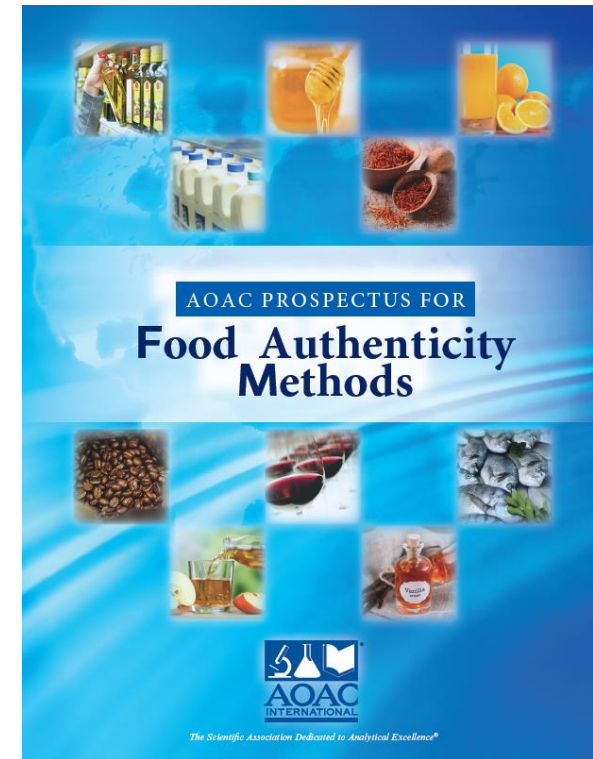
- Consider overlapping technologies for
  - targeted and
  - non-targeted testing procedures
- Recommend AOAC process for standards development and review, in the event of a major international food fraud incident, requiring rapid resource mobilization.
- Figure out how to create and use Reference Materials (and Certified Reference Materials) to assess NTT and TT analytical methods.



- AOAC Int'l focusing on defining how to evaluate the reliability analytical methods used to identify food fraud events
- Targeted Test Methods
  - Identify and/or measure known adulterations
- Non-Targeted Test methods
  - Screening tools to evaluate degrees of difference of a food to a baseline material
- Now defining how the methods must perform to meet the industry needs



- For information on how to join any of the AOAC Food Authenticity Working Groups below, please contact Delia Boyd, Sr. Manager at [dboyd@aoac.org](mailto:dboyd@aoac.org).
- Non-Targeted Testing Working Group
- Targeted Tested Working Group



*Thank*

*you*





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# **MAKING THE DIFFERENCE**

INNOVATIVE SAFETY, QUALITY AND SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR SUPPLY CHAIN

**Food Fraud Risk Assessments  
Supplier Selection and Accountability**

**WHEN YOU NEED TO BE SURE**

**SGS**

## SUPPLIER SOURCING: FUNDAMENTALS

- In 1995, industry simplified supplier sourcing into 10C's (*Ray Carter, Purchasing and Supply Management*)

Competency Capacity Commitment Control Cash  
Cost Consistency Culture Clean Communication

- Today, we spend a lot of time on **Culture** (*it “eats strategy for lunch”*), and determining how to quantify that.

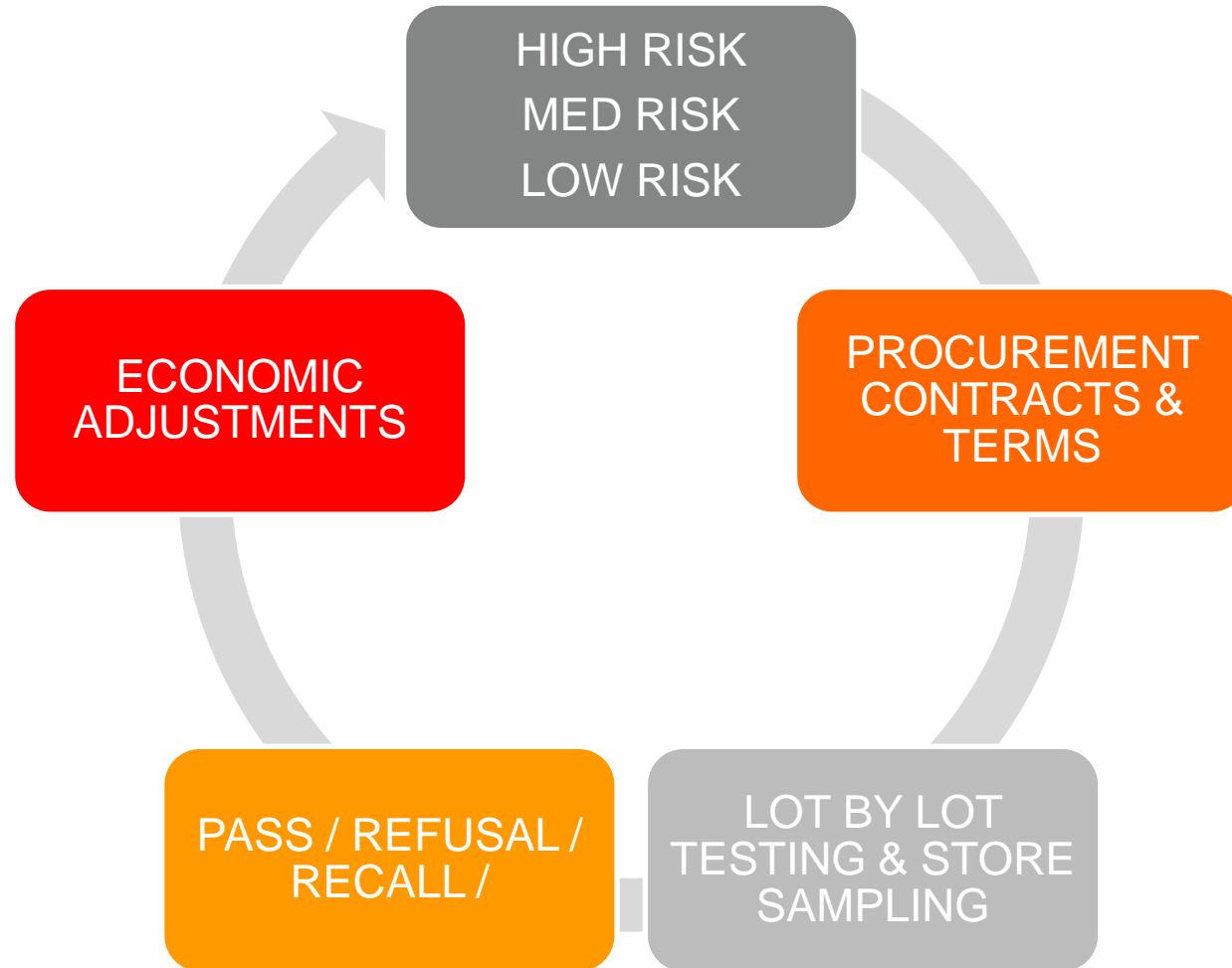


## SOURCING SUPPLIERS & CONSTANT VIGILANCE

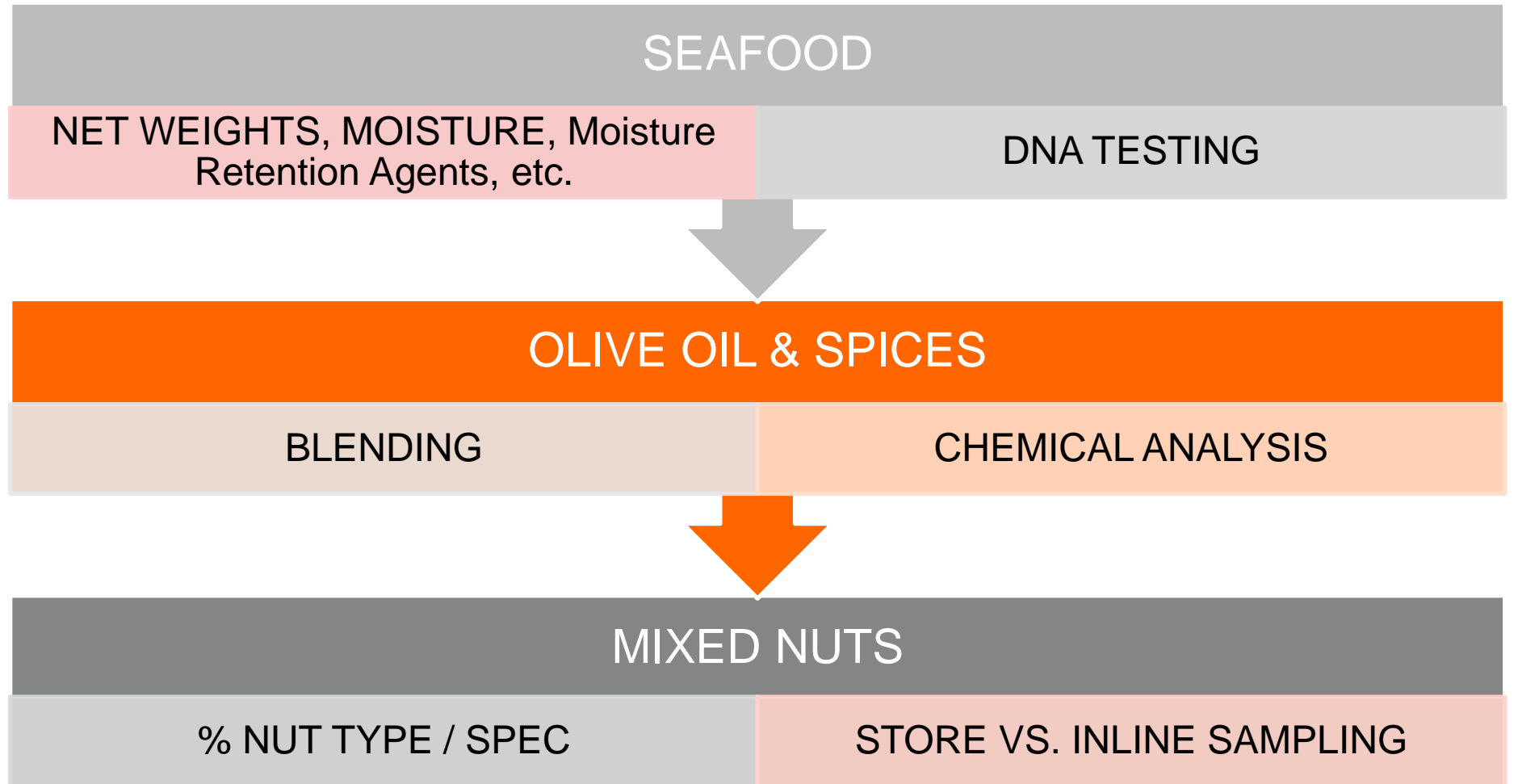
### Private Label Retail



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# MONITORING SUPPLIER ACCOUNTABILITY



- Supplier Policies & Guidelines Manual
  - Compliance aligns the organization
  - Non-compliance jeopardizes the business relationship
- Examples:
  - **Animal Welfare:** Products must obtain annual third party audits to **verify proper animal handling** and must present the results of such audits...annually.
  - **Fruit & vegetable** - Farm Food Safety Management Systems audited by an approved independent **third-party food safety auditor** and/or certification provider. Access to perform an **assessment of working conditions** on the farms of any Supplier of fresh fruits or vegetables. Full details upon request.
- Frozen food: evidence of temperature abuse? **“Retailer” may reject the entire load.**

## RETAILER ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

- “Retailer” shall have the absolute right in its sole discretion to terminate any part or all of its relationship with Supplier at any time for any reason.
- Retailer’s suppliers must maintain documented procedures for food safety training of all personnel who manufacture, process, pack, or hold food.
- Retailer requires that all Suppliers of Products that are finished food, ingredients and food packaging material achieve and maintain certification audits from one of the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI) benchmarked audit standards.

- We vett our vendors through a combination of:
  - Auditing (for example, BRC as a worldwide standard)
  - third party testing.
    - The testing is designed to detect food fraud in high risk categories (i.e. DNA testing of fish).
  - Site visits - areas (i.e. Parma Italy) where we need to review items that typically have food fraud issues:
    - (i.e. ham, vinegar, honey, spices, olive oil).



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# Food Integrity with New Analytical Technologies: Unlocking the Truth

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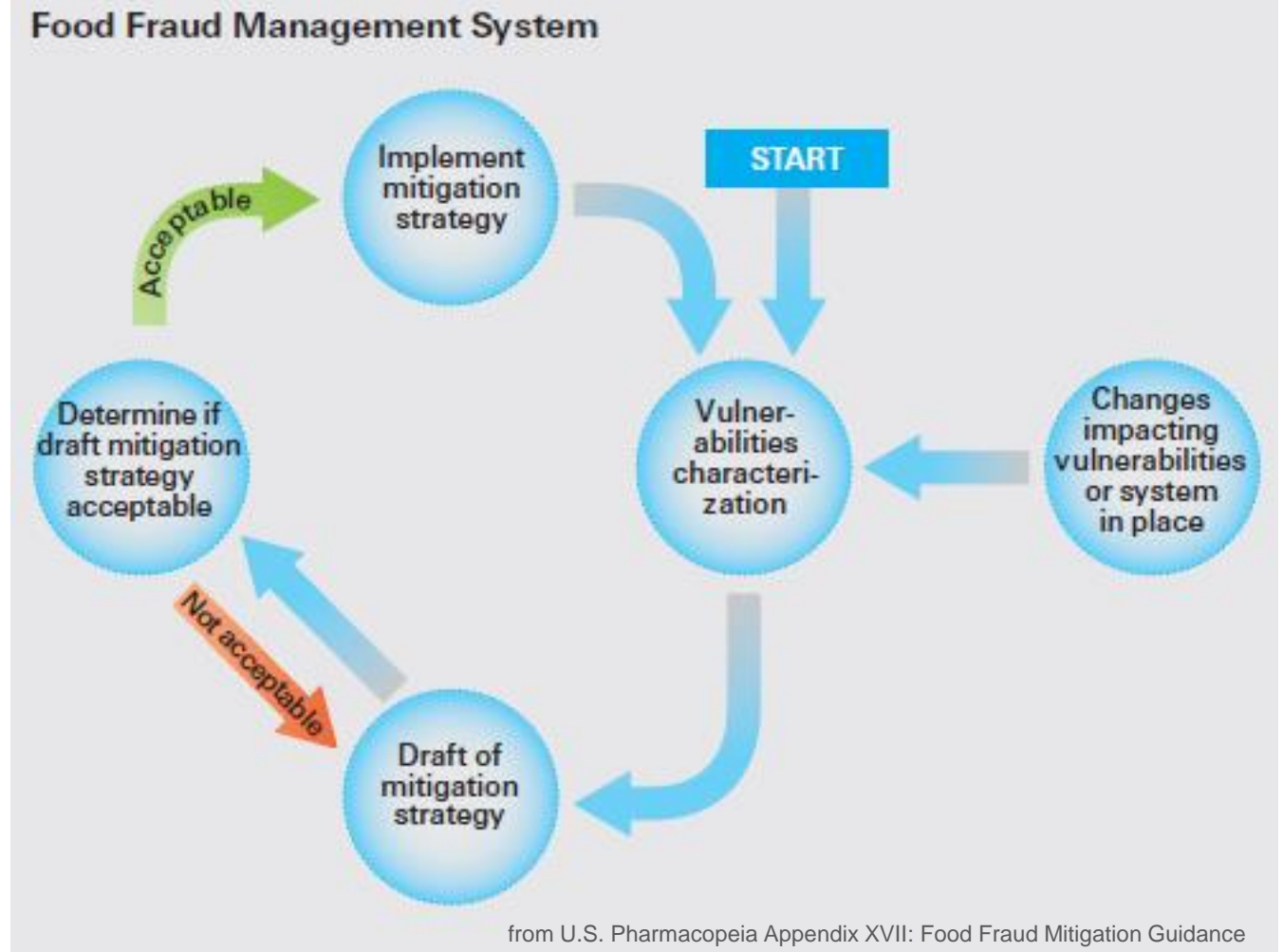
We enable our customers to make the world  
healthier, cleaner and safer



# How can a business protect itself against food fraud?

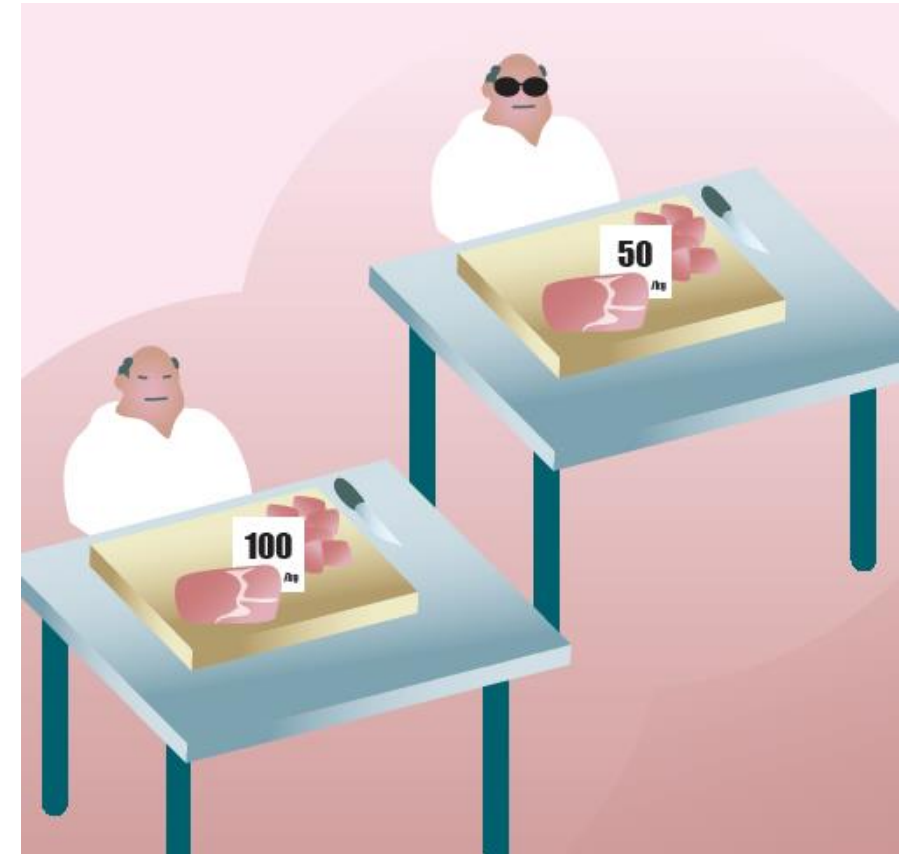
## Continuous process:

- Evaluation to characterize food fraud vulnerabilities
- Design & review of a mitigation strategy
- Implementation & testing
- Regular review & update, particularly as changes are introduced, e.g. new supplier



Excerpt from: <https://www.nestle.com/asset-library/documents/library/documents/suppliers/food-fraud-prevention.pdf>

- Know your materials & risks
- Know your suppliers
- Know your supply chain
- Know your existing control measures



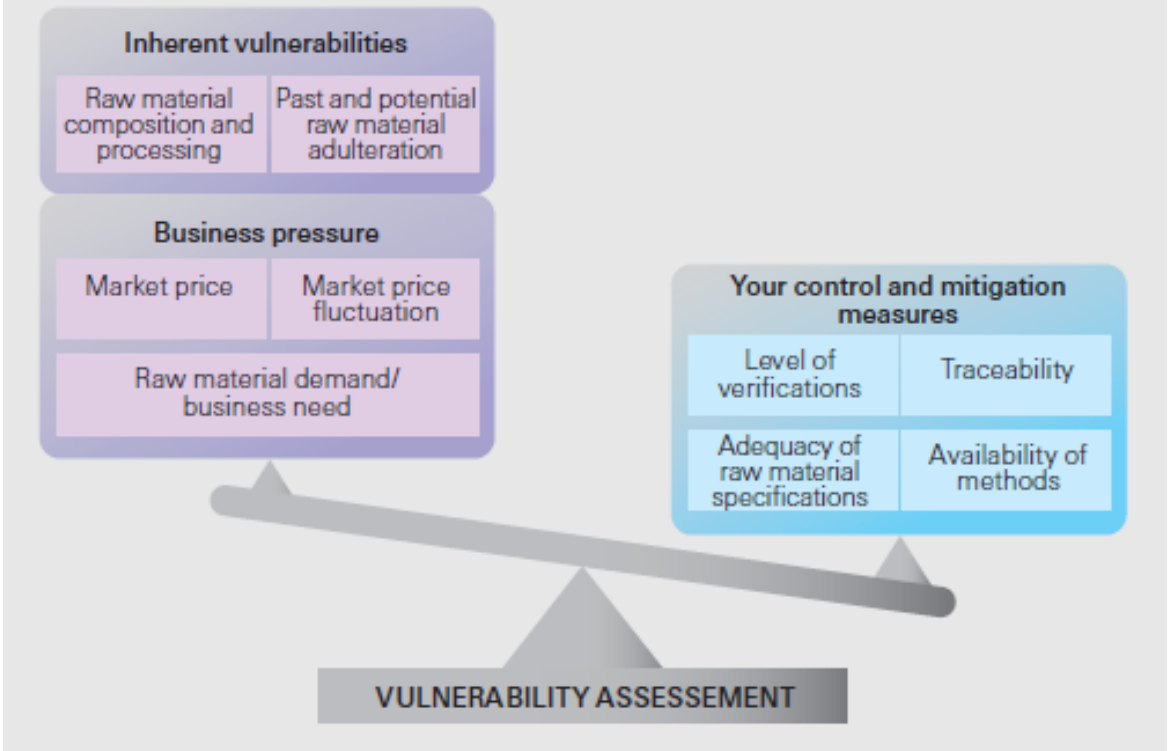
*If the price of a valuable food seems too good to be true it probably is!*

Excerpt from: <https://www.nestle.com/asset-library/documents/library/documents/suppliers/food-fraud-prevention.pdf>

# Mitigation against food fraud

- Raw material specifications
- Supplier relationship
- Supplier audit
- Supply chain transparency and simplification
- Alert system
- **Analytical surveillance**

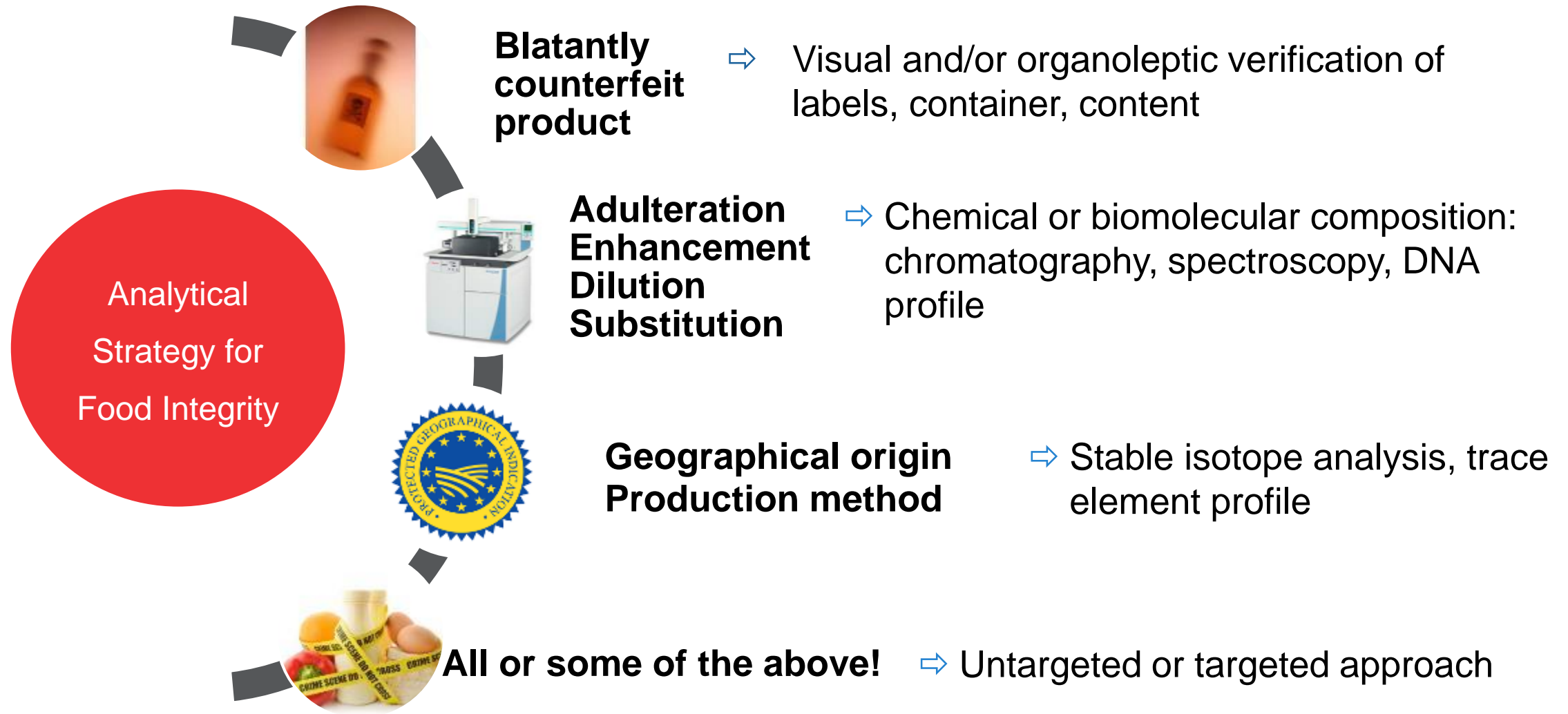
## Adequate mitigation measures alleviate vulnerability to food fraud



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# Choosing the right analytical strategy to reduce the food fraud risk



- **Adulteration**

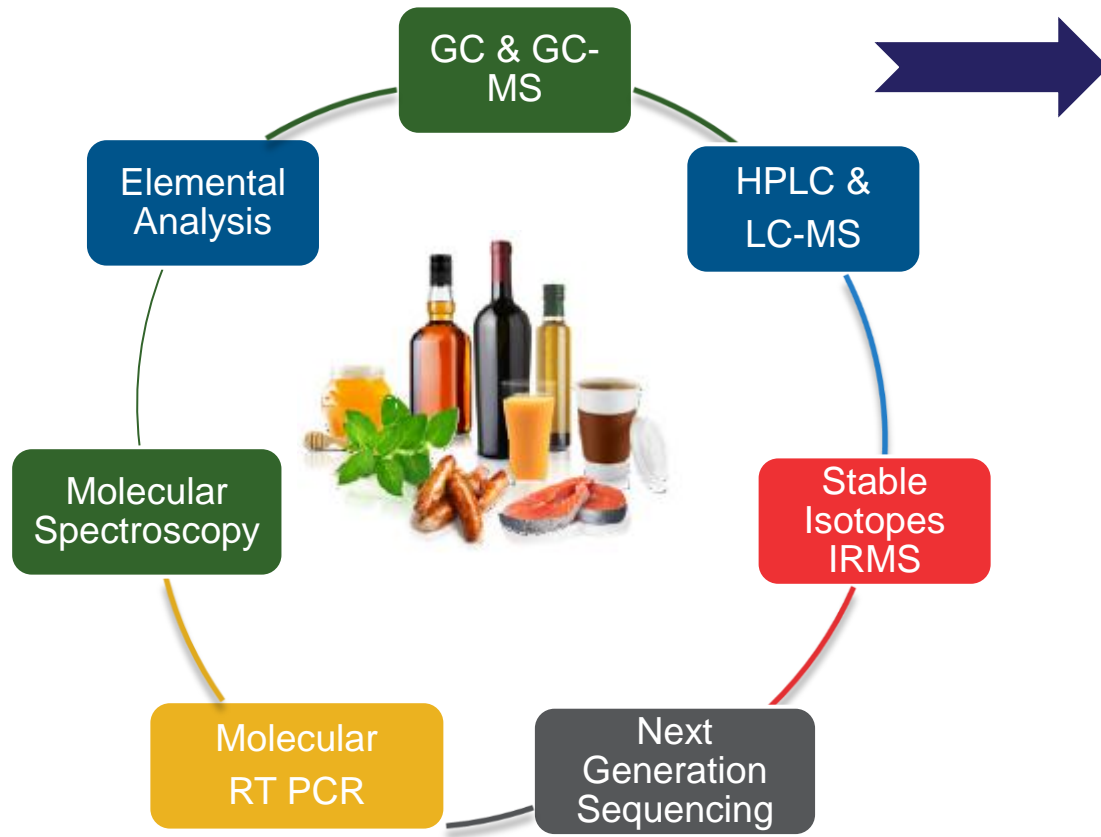
- Targeted methods are used to detect and quantify a known substance used for adulteration
- Untargeted methods can be used initially to screen for possible adulteration, leading to identification of the substance responsible and then subsequent target analysis often follows.

- **Authenticity**

- For authenticity untargeted methods are used to ‘fingerprint’ foods, by measuring a number of different variables and looking for characteristic patterns employing statistical techniques (chemometrics) or genetic markers (DNA profiling)
- Databases are critical for establishing ‘fingerprints’ of genuine food & beverages



# Targeted and untargeted methods to test for authenticity



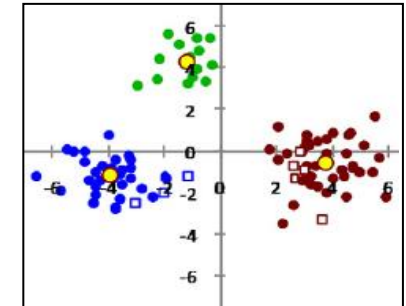
Different statistical tools are used to establish which parameters show maximum discrimination

Database of Authentic Foods

DNA Analysis and Results

Selection of Appropriate Chemometrics

| Target | Method | Species                  | Address  | Number of Samples |
|--------|--------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| FISH   | 1      | Melanogrammus aeglefinus | habiback | 38423             |
|        | 2      | Salmo gairdneri          | habiback | 428               |
|        | 3      | Salmo gairdneri          | habiback | 11803             |
|        | 4      | Salmo gairdneri          | habiback | 20271             |
|        | 5      | Salmo gairdneri          | habiback | 15445             |
|        | 6      | Salmo gairdneri          | habiback | 11263             |
| MEAT   | 1      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 11071             |
|        | 2      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 11854             |
|        | 3      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 65445             |
|        | 4      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 20775             |
|        | 5      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 30358             |
|        | 6      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 21625             |
|        | 7      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 11022             |
|        | 8      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 11111             |
|        | 9      | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 30358             |
|        | 10     | Canis lupus familiaris   | habiback | 30358             |
| PLANT  | 1      | Arabidopsis thaliana     | habiback | 6008              |
|        | 2      | Arabidopsis thaliana     | habiback | 6008              |
|        | 3      | Arabidopsis thaliana     | habiback | 6008              |
|        | 4      | Arabidopsis thaliana     | habiback | 6008              |
|        | 5      | Arabidopsis thaliana     | habiback | 6008              |
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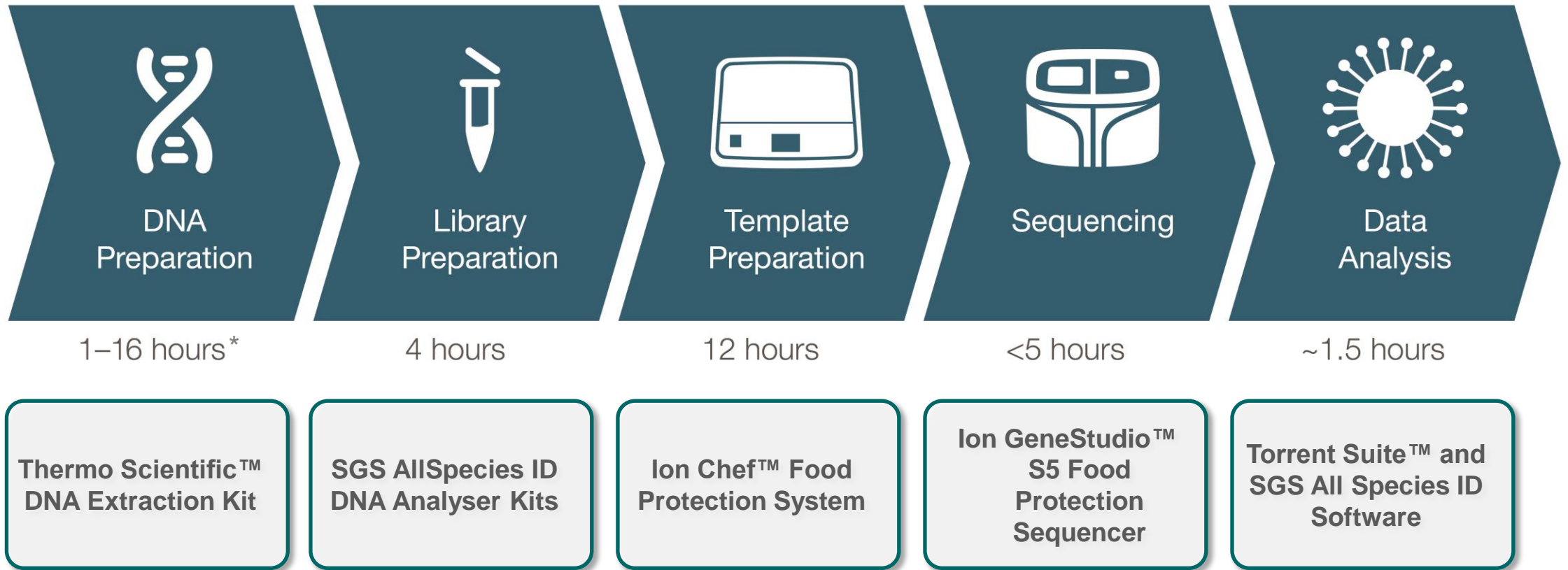






# Multi-species screening and identification

The new **Thermo Scientific™ NGS Food Authenticity Workflow** is a complete, automated, next generation sequencing workflow and software database for multi-species ID screening



\* DNA preparation time range includes overnight incubation for select few sample types



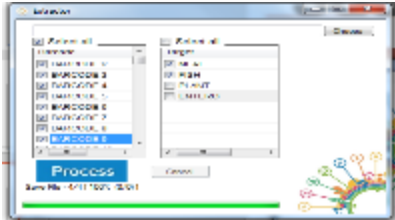
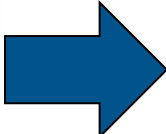
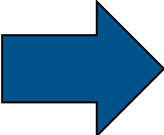
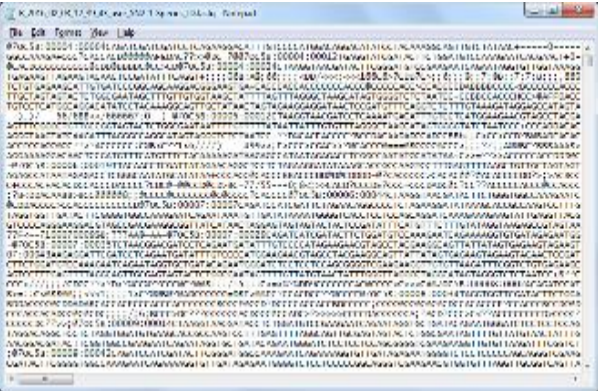
# Data analysis made simple with SGS All Species ID Software



Fastq file

All Species ID Software

User-friendly output



| Target | Barcode | Species                  | Barcode                         | Number Of Reads |
|--------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| MEAT   | 1       | Urosalpinx_urosalpinx    | Wildbock                        | 39429           |
|        | 2       | Capra_morhus             | Atlantic cod                    | 499             |
|        | 3       | Capra_morhus             | Swanfish                        | 31893           |
|        | 4       | Salmo_salar/Salmo_trutta | Atlantic salmon/Brown trout     | 22277           |
|        | 5       | Salmo_gairdneri          | Shane loach                     | 14446           |
| PLANT  | 1       | Cruciferae               | European parsnip                | 12021           |
|        | 2       | Cruciferae               | European radish                 | 14264           |
|        | 3       | Cruciferae               | Black radish (cardine like sub) | 14337           |
|        | 4       | Cruciferae               | Beetroot                        | 69946           |
|        | 5       | Cruciferae               | Chickpea                        | 327             |

Data analysis and results

- Validated database
- All targets detected



# Case study: Grouper fillet

## SITUATION

- Retailer requested species ID for seafood. Confirm grouper species authentication
- Sanger sequencing ID that is appropriate for single species products originated a mixture of DNA sequences and no identification results



## RESPONSE

- NGS Mutli-Species ID was performed, revealed 4 different fish species
- Few species identified where not commercially authorized fish species – one of the species toxic
- Supplier after knowing the NGS results confirmed that in spite of the fillet format of the product it was not a true fillet but processed fish sample with a fillet format

## VALUE DELIVERED



### Rapid Response

Hours to days to sequence sample, and provide accurate analysis back



### Customer Solution

Specific for fish species ID testing in food



### Scientific Expertise

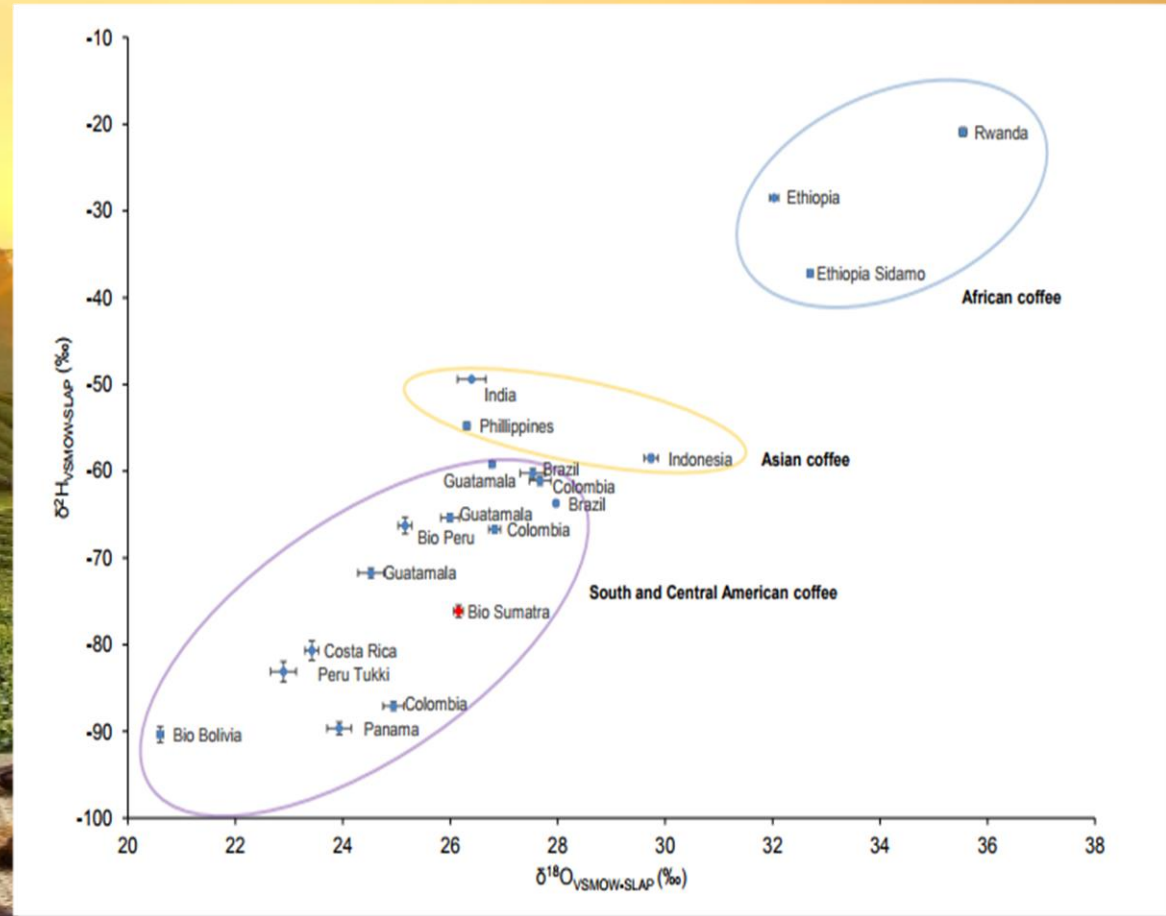
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# Tracing the geographical origin of coffee

- Hydrogen and oxygen isotope fingerprints
- The *Coffea* species plants, cultivated as the source of the coffee beans, carry an isotopic fingerprint associated with local-regional rainfall
- Differentiation of American, Asian and African coffee beans (green and roasted)
- Identification of mislabeled coffee

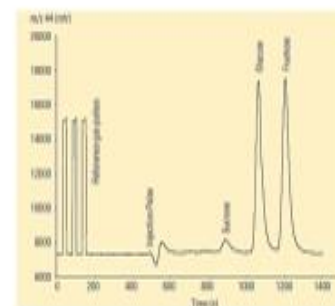




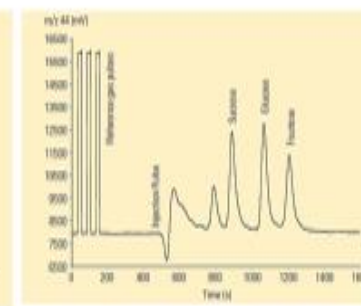
# Extending the application of EA-IRMS: Honey adulteration

- EA-IRMS to assess  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value of honey and its protein fraction (limit of detection ~ 7% of C4 sugar addition)
- Solution: irm-LC/MS using the LC IsoLink™ interface allows:
  - Comparison of  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  value of different sugars
  - Determination of the sugar pattern
  - Higher sensitivity - 100x more sensitive than direct EA-IRMS
- See our application note AN30024 - Testing honey adulteration by  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ -EA/LC-IRMS for full details

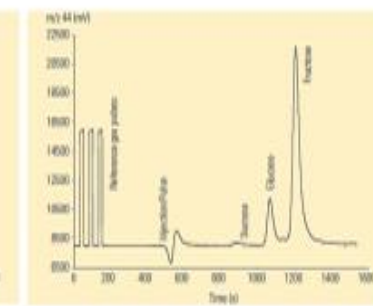
| HONEY | SUCROSE % | GLUCOSE % | FRUCTOSE % | FRU/GLU RATIO OF AREAS | EA HONEY(4) % | EA PROT.(4) % | ADULT.(4) % |             |
|-------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1     | -23.3     | -23.2     | -22.9      | 1.07                   | -21.8         | -24.2         | 16.7        | adulterated |
| 2     | -11.3     | -11.2     | -13.9      | 0.65                   | -11.9         | n.a.          | n.a.        | adulterated |
| 3     | -25.3     | -24.9     | -24.9      | 1.42                   | -24.8         | -24.8         | 0.0         |             |
| 4     | -26.4     | -26.5     | -26.4      | 0.97                   | -25.4         | -21.6         | 0.0         |             |
| 5     | n.d.      | -26.1     | -26.0      | 4.53                   | -25.8         | -26.1         | 1.9         | adulterated |
| 6     | -26.1     | -25.0     | -25.3      | 1.62                   | -24.3         | -24.3         | 0.0         |             |
| 7     | -25.0     | -25.2     | -25.1      | 1.16                   | -24.2         | -24.7         | 3.4         |             |
| 8     | n.d.      | -25.1     | -26.4      | 2.17                   | -24.8         | -25.1         | 1.5         | adulterated |



Honey 1



Honey 2



Honey 5

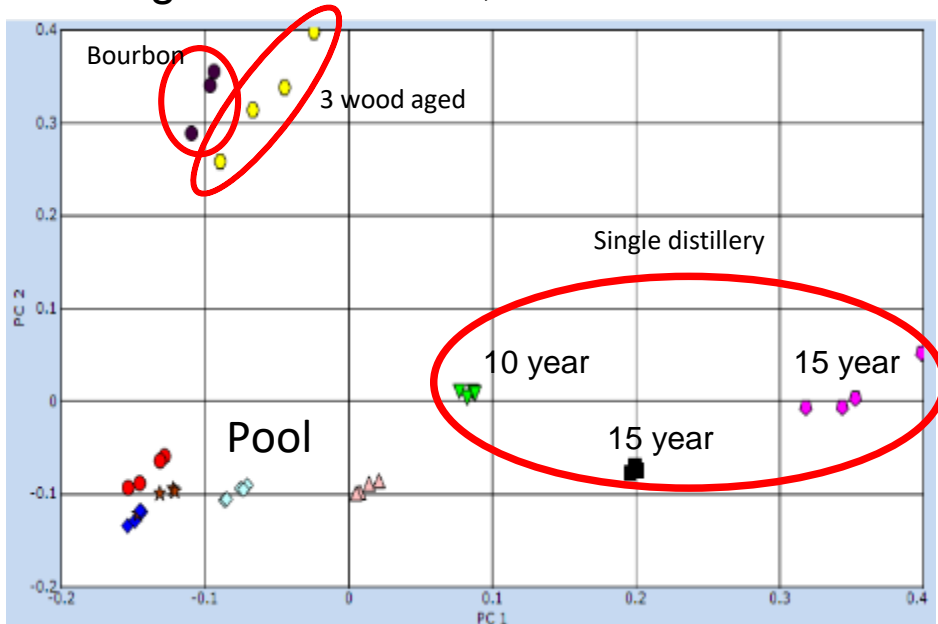


- **Chromatography and High Resolution Mass Spectrometry**



# Whisky authenticity by GC-HRAM

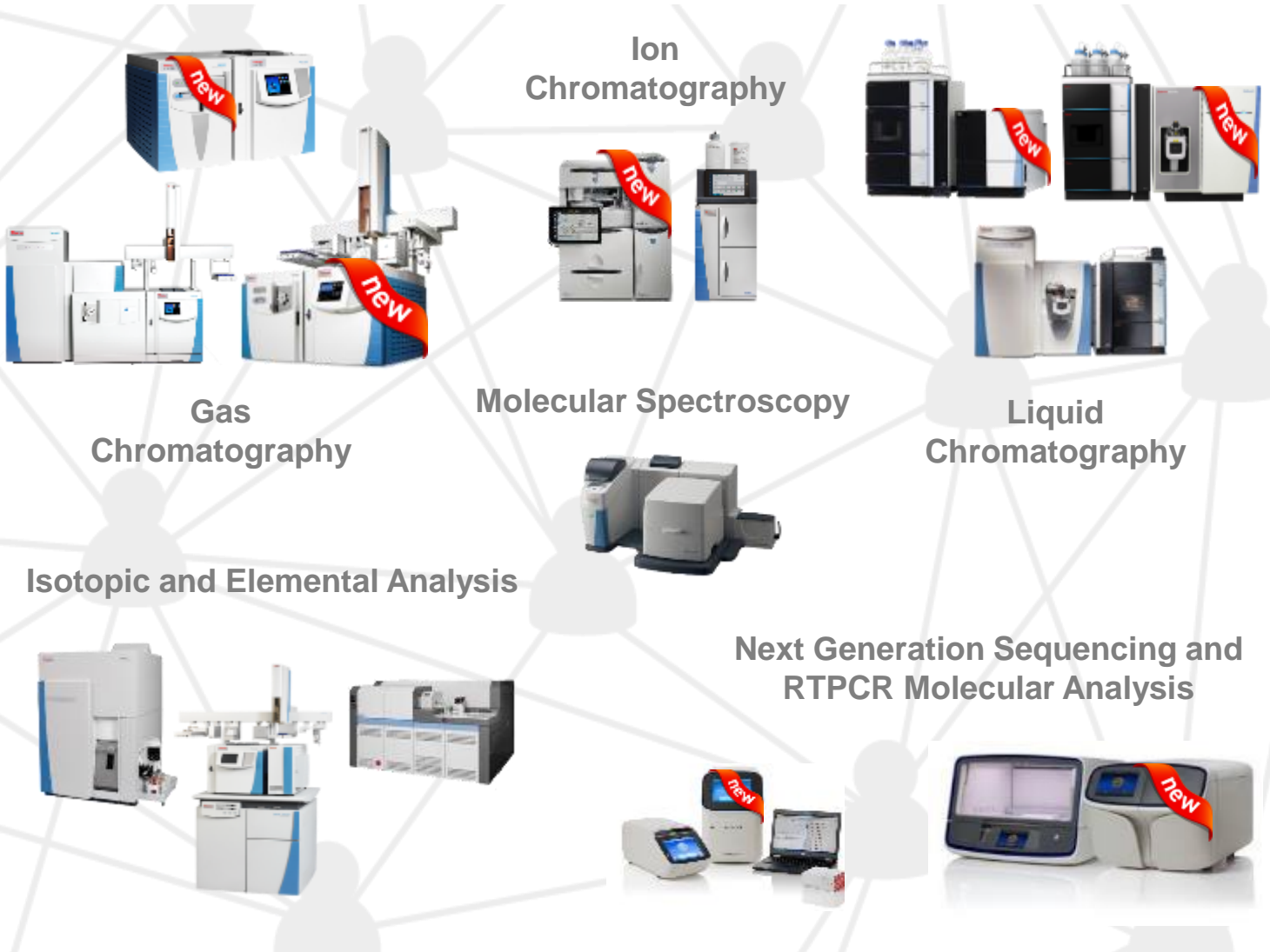
- Study to determine the chemical differences between whisky samples?
  - **Type of Whisky:** Bourbon or Scotch Whisky
  - **Geographical Origin:** USA or Scotland, Highland or Lowland
  - **Age of Whisky:** 10 or 15 year aging
- Approach: A non-targeted (screening) analysis and statistical software tools (including NIST libraries, deconvolution software, elemental composition and fragment matching software)



- Bourbon and 3 wood aged clearly different from other whiskies
- Single distillery whiskies also show clear differences



# Food solutions: Comprehensive solutions to protect our food supply



**Maintain Safety Standards**

**Detect Contamination**

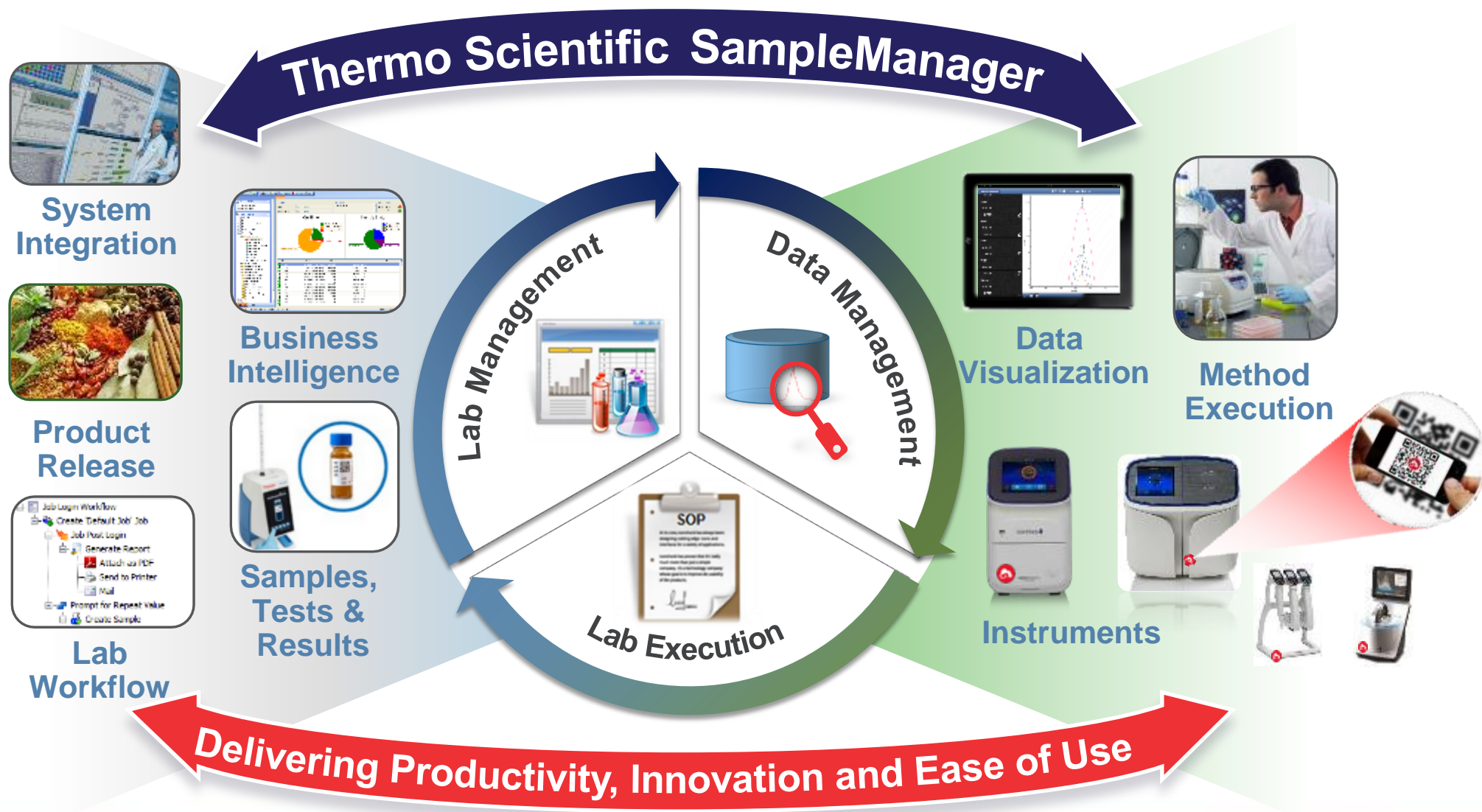
**Confirm Authenticity**

**Determine Purity**

**Ensure Quality**

**Helping our customers to deliver healthier and safer food products**





# Thermo Fisher Connect...Point of view Blockchain is:



- Data Connect
- Instrument Connect
- Application Connect
- Workflow Connect
- Service Connect
- eCommerce Connect
- Peer Connect

Powered by **Thermo Fisher Cloud**



**Technology**

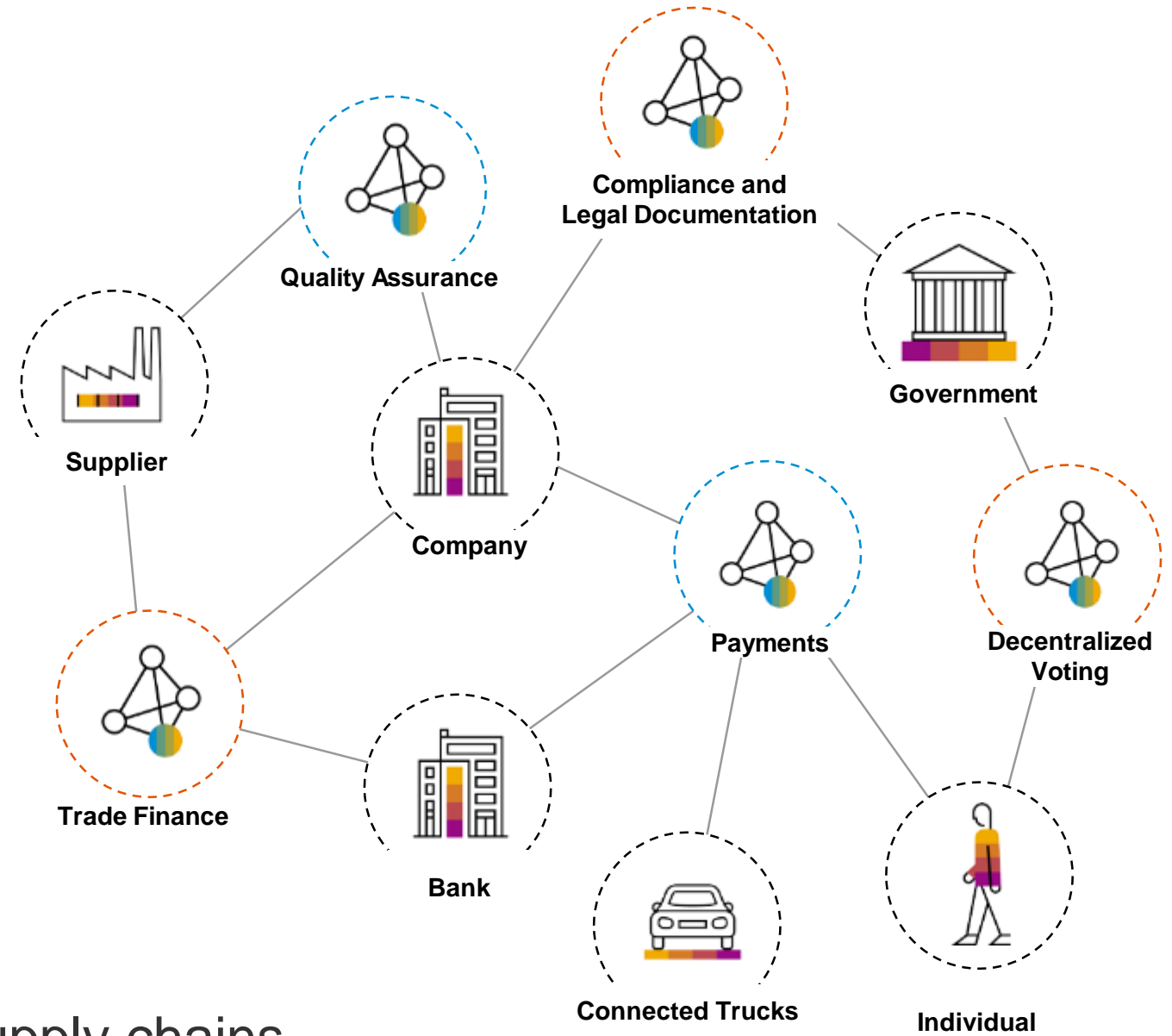


**Business  
processes**



**New networked-based  
business models**


Blockchain is a new protocol for **distributed ledgers** in multi-party business processes



Shines a light of transparency into supply chains

# Investigate more...

- Thermo Fisher Food Authenticity Resources: [LINK](#)
- ISO CEN Standard Projects:
  - ISO TC 34/SC 16 ISO 22949-1 [LINK](#)
    - Molecular biomarker analysis – Detection and identification of animal species by DNA sequencing methods
  - ISO TC 307
    - Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies [LINK](#)
- AOAC Food Fraud Initiative [LINK](#)
- GFSI Food Fraud [LINK](#)
- Decernis Food Fraud Database [LINK](#)



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