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## JASBC HIGHLIGHT: EVALUATION OF A MICROBIOLOGICAL REFERENCE STANDARD (EZ-ACCU SHOT) AS TEST MATERIAL FOR PROFICIENCY TESTING (PT) SCHEME IN THE BREWERIES

Yohanes Novi Kurniawan *et al.* (from Food Safety Laboratories, Ibaraki, Japan) describe the evaluation of a commercially available lactic acid bacteria (LAB) reference standard (EZ-Accu Shot™ *Lactobacillus rhamnosus*) for its suitability to be used in microbiological proficiency test (PT) schemes that are utilized in brewery microbiological quality systems and protocols. The standard was deemed to be suitable as a test material for microbiological PT schemes in breweries.

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