

genus, *Mucor*; species, *miehei*; variety *Cooney et Emerson*.

(b) The strain of *Mucor miehei* var. *Cooney et Emerson* is nonpathogenic and nontoxic in man or other animals.

(c) The enzyme is produced by a process which completely removes the organism *Mucor miehei* var. *Cooney et Emerson* from the esterase-lipase.

(d) The enzyme is used as a flavor enhancer as defined in §170.3(o)(12).

(e) The enzyme is used at levels not to exceed current good manufacturing practice in the following food categories: cheeses as defined in §170.3(n)(5) of this chapter; fat and oils as defined in §170.(3)(n)(12) of this chapter; and milk products as defined in §170.(3)(n)(31) of this chapter. Use of this food ingredient is limited to nonstandardized foods and those foods for which the relevant standards of identity permit such use.

(f) The enzyme is used in the minimum amount required to produce its limited technical effect.

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**§ 173.145 Alpha-Galactosidase derived from *Mortierella vinaceae* var. *raffinoseutilizer*.**

The food additive alpha-galactosidase and parent mycelial microorganism *Mortierella vinaceae* var. *raffinoseutilizer* may be safely used in food in accordance with the following conditions:

(a) The food additive is the enzyme alpha-galactosidase and the mycelia of the microorganism *Mortierella vinaceae* var. *raffinoseutilizer* which produces the enzyme.

(b) The nonpathogenic microorganism matches American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) No. 20034,<sup>1</sup> and is classified as follows:

Class: Phycomycetes.  
Order: Mucorales.  
Family: Mortierellaceae.  
Genus: *Mortierella*.  
Species: *vinaceae*.  
Variety: *raffinoseutilizer*.

(c) The additive is used or intended for use in the production of sugar (sucrose) from sugar beets by addition as

mycelial pellets to the molasses to increase the yield of sucrose, followed by removal of the spent mycelial pellets by filtration.

(d) The enzyme removal is such that there are no enzyme or mycelial residues remaining in the finished sucrose.

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**§ 173.150 Milk-clotting enzymes, microbial.**

Milk-clotting enzyme produced by pure-culture fermentation process may be safely used in the production of cheese in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

(a) Milk-clotting enzyme is derived from one of the following organisms by a pure-culture fermentation process:

(1) *Endothia parasitica* classified as follows: Class, Ascomycetes; order, Sphaeriales; family, Diaporthaceae; genus, *Endothia*; species, *parasitica*.

(2) *Bacillus cereus* classified as follows: Class, Schizomycetes; order, Eubacteriales; family, Bacillaceae; genus, *Bacillus*; species, *cereus* (Frankland and Frankland).

(3) *Mucor pusillus* Lindt classified as follows: Class, Phycomycetes; subclass, Zygomycetes; order, Mucorales; family, Mucoraceae; genus, *Mucor*; species, *pusillus*; variety, *Lindt*.

(4) *Mucor miehei* *Cooney et Emerson* classified as follows: Class, Phycomycetes; subclass, Zygomycetes; order, Mucorales; family, Mucoraceae; genus, *Mucor*; species, *miehei*; variety, *Cooney et Emerson*.

(5) *Aspergillus oryzae* modified by recombinant deoxyribonucleic (DNA) techniques to contain the gene coding for aspartic proteinase from *Rhizomucor miehei* var. *Cooney et Emerson* as defined in paragraph (a)(4) of this section, and classified as follows: Class, Blastodeuteromycetes (Hyphomycetes); order, Phialiales (Moniliales); genus, *Aspergillus*; species *oryzae*.

(b) The strains of organism identified in paragraph (a) of this section are nonpathogenic and nontoxic in man or other animals.

(c) The additive is produced by a process that completely removes the generating organism from the milk-clotting enzyme product.

<sup>1</sup>Available from: American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852.