



The Finnish Node of METROFOOD-RI

To enhance quality and reliability of measurement results

To make available and share data, information and metrological tools

To enhance scientific excellence in the field of food quality & safety

AUTHORITY

To strengthen scientific knowledge, promoting scientific cooperation and integration

PARTNERS



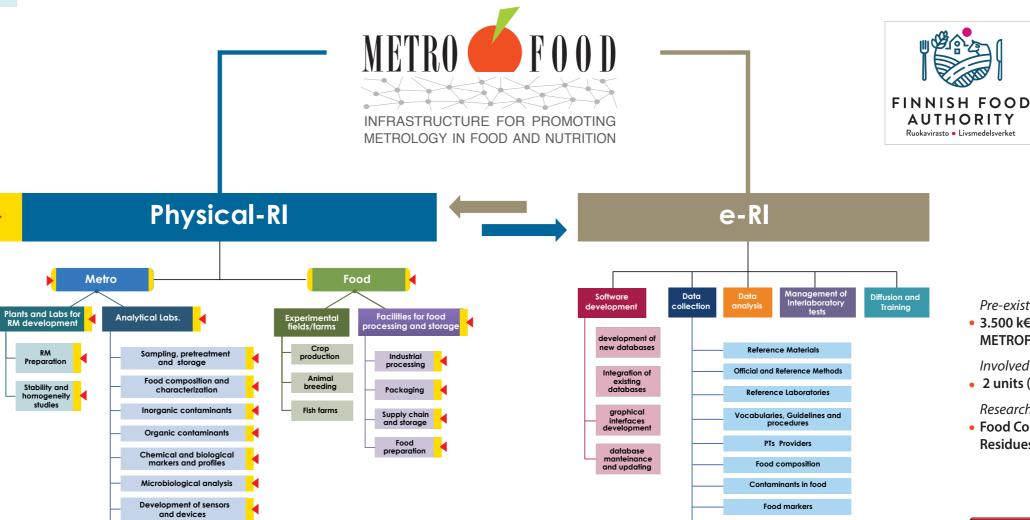


The Finnish Food Authority (FFA) operates under the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Finland. The Authority promotes, monitors and studies the safety and quality of food; the health and wellbeing of animals; plant health; fertiliser products, animal feeds, plant protection products, seeds and planting materials. It is also responsible for the use of the funds provided by the EU agricultural guarantee and rural development funds in Finland.

The Food Authority Laboratory services include animal and plant disease diagnostics; laboratory studies related to food, feeds, fertilisers, plant protection products and plants; and the related reference laboratory activities and risk assessment procedures. The division also conducts scientific research and maintains the national research infrastructure in the fields that it operates in. The division has about 250 employers.

The Chemistry Unit involved in Metrofood is responsible for chemical and biochemical analyses of foodstuffs, animal feeds, fertiliser products and animal samples. These also include GMO analyses of foodstuffs and animal feeds. The Unit is responsible for chemical and biochemical national reference laboratory tasks for food e.g. heavy metals, residues of veterinary drugs and pesticides, PAHs, marine biotoxins and mycotoxins.

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Involvement in the Infrastructure

NUTRITION

AUTHENTICITY TRACEABILITY

Pre-existing value:

- 3.500 k€, out of which 175 k€ at **METROFOOD-RI disposal**
- Involved researchers:
- 2 units (0,6 FTE)

Finland

FOOD SAFETY

Research Areas: • Food Composition, Quality Indicators, Organic Residues, Inorganic Analysis

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of

Physical Facilities

ANALYTICAL CAPACITIES

Analytical Labs



The Chemistry Unit of the Finnish Food Authority conducts studies related to food production, safety, composition and authenticity as well as laboratory studies associated with the safety and quality of feeds and fertilizers. Laboratory operations include national and international reference laboratory activities. Reference laboratory operations are a fundamental element of overall laboratory activities. Finnish Food Authority is the national RL e.g. in heavy metals, PAHs, marine biotoxins, mycotoxins and pesticides.

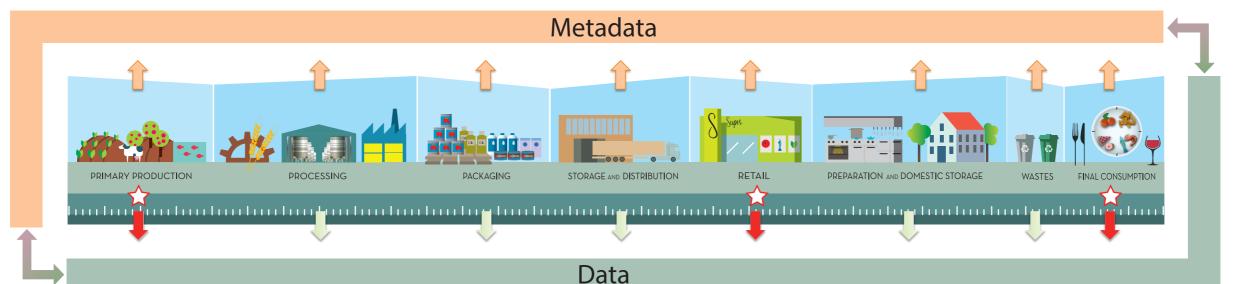
AGROECOSYSTEM

ICP-LC-MS



Mercury Analyzer

Food Chain Data













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Food Quality

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