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## Tongkat ali extract

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September 2016 - Application from Biotropics Malaysia for tongkat ali root extract to be approved for use in the European Union (EU) as a food ingredient under Regulation (EC) 258/97 - Under Evaluation.

Tongkat ali is an extract from the root of the plant *Eurycoma longifolia* that is widely consumed as a beverage in various South East Asian countries.

The applicant wants to market tongkat ali root extract with the intention that it be added to various foods including cereal and nutrition bars, confectionary, beverages and energy and sports drinks, as well as food supplements.

On 23 June, the EU referendum took place and the people of the UK voted to leave the European Union. Until exit negotiations are concluded, the UK remains a full member of the European Union and all the rights and obligations of EU membership remain in force. During this period the Government will continue to negotiate, implement and apply EU legislation. It will be for the Government, under the Prime Minister, to begin negotiations to exit the EU. The outcome of these negotiations will determine what arrangements apply in relation to EU legislation and funding in future once the UK has left the EU.

Comments on this application are requested from the public to assist in informing the Committee. Any comments on this application should be emailed to the ACNFP Secretariat at [acnfp@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:acnfp@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk) by Friday 23 September 2016 and will be passed to the committee to assist in informing its assessment of this novel food ingredient.

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