

**The ISO/TC34/SC16 Plenary Meeting Post ILSI-Workshop
“The International Trend of GMO Detection Methods”**

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The ILSL Japan workshop “The International Trend of GMO Detection Methods” was held in Tokyo, Japan on the 12th of February, 2010, as a post workshop of the 2nd plenary meeting of ISO/TC34/SC16 (Horizontal Methods for Molecular Biomarkers Analysis).

The genetic analysis methods are widely adopted in the food testing field. On the other hand, the quality of the methods, especially GMO testing, has a critical influence for the international seed, grain and food trading. Therefore, the importance of the methods standardization is becoming to be widely recognized in the world.

The workshop provided the following information;

1. The development situation of the detection methods for GMOs.
2. GMO testing in Japan, China and the US.
3. The standardization of the methods in Codex-CCMAS and ISO.

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