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Edwards, S.G., 2009. *Fusarium* mycotoxin content of UK organic and conventional oats. *Food Additives and Contaminants part A*, in press. DOI 10.1080/02652030902788953

Anonymous, 1999. Testing urged if feeding stunted crops to animals. *New York Times* August 21, 1999.
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Van der Meulen, B. and Van der Velde, M., 2008. *European food law handbook*. Wageningen Academic Publishers, Wageningen, the Netherlands, 640 pp.

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 Wu, F., Miller, J.D. and Casman, E.A., 2005. Bt corn and mycotoxin reduction: an economic perspective. In: Abbas, H.K. (ed.) Aflatoxin and food safety. Taylor and Francis, New York, USA, pp. 459-482.  
 Bacon, C.W. and Hinton, D.M., 2000. Biological control of *Fusarium moniliforme* in corn by competitive exclusion using *Bacillus mojavenis*. In: USDA-ARS (ed.) Proceedings of the aflatoxin/fumonisin workshop. October 25–27, 2000. Yosemite, CA, USA, pp. 35-37.
- d. *For internet resources:*  
 World Health Organisation, 2004. Surveillance programme for control of foodborne infections and intoxications in Europe. Seventh report. The 1993–1998 Country reports. Available at: [http://www.bgvv.de/internet/7th report/threp fr.htm](http://www.bgvv.de/internet/7th%20report/threp%20fr.htm). Accessed 7 July 2004.

#### List of used mycotoxin abbreviations in World Mycotoxin Journal

Full mycotoxin name	Abbreviation	Full mycotoxin name	Abbreviation
<b><i>Aflatoxins</i></b>		<b><i>Ochratoxins</i></b>	
Aflatoxin B <sub>1</sub>	AFB <sub>1</sub>	Ochratoxin A	OTA
Aflatoxin B <sub>2</sub>	AFB <sub>2</sub>	Ochratoxin B	OTB
Aflatoxin G <sub>1</sub>	AFG <sub>1</sub>		
Aflatoxin G <sub>2</sub>	AFG <sub>2</sub>	<b><i>Trichothecenes</i></b>	
Aflatoxin M <sub>1</sub>	AFM <sub>1</sub>	Deoxynivalenol	DON
		Diacetoxyscirpenol	DAS
<b><i>Alternaria toxins</i></b>		Fusarenone X	FUS-X
AAL-toxin TA	AAL-toxin TA	HT-2 toxin	HT-2
Alternariol	AOH	Nivelenol	NIV
Alternariol methyl ether	AME	T-2 toxin	T-2
Alternuene	ALT		
Altetoxin I, II and III	ALTX-I , ALTX-II and ALTX-III	<b><i>Zearalenone and variants</i></b>	
Tetramic acid derivates	TeA	Zearalenone	ZEA (not ZON or ZEN)
		$\alpha$ -Zearalenol	$\alpha$ -ZOL
<b><i>Epipolythiodioxopiperazines</i></b>		$\beta$ -Zearalenol	$\beta$ -ZOL
Gliotoxin	GLI	Zearalanol	ZAL ( $\alpha$ -ZAL and $\beta$ -ZAL)
<b><i>Fumonisin and variants</i></b>		<b><i>Other mycotoxins</i></b>	
Fumonisin B <sub>1</sub>	FB <sub>1</sub>	Citrinin	CIT
Fumonisin B <sub>2</sub>	FB <sub>2</sub>	Cyclopiazonic acid	CPA
Fumonisin B <sub>3</sub>	FB <sub>3</sub>	Patulin	PAT
<i>o</i> -phthalaldehyde	OPA	Fusarochromanone	FCH