THE EURACHEM METHOD VALIDATION WORKING GROUP

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The validation of test methods is a key issue in ensuring the quality of analytical results, and as such is specifically addressed in standards underpinning the requirements for testing and calibration laboratories. The Eurachem Method Validation Working Group (MVWG) was set up to address the issues involved in this topic. This poster summarises the terms of reference for the MVWG, its current activities and main outcomes, among which is the recent release of the second edition of the Eurachem Guide addressing method validation as the tool to demonstrate the fitness for purpose of analytical methods [1].