

# Novel foods: Status of certain algae species

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## Regulation

[EU Novel Food Status Catalogue](#)

## What is changing and why?

Over 20 algae species have been added to the [EU Novel Food Status Catalogue](#) as "non-novel foods". This means that they may be sold on the EU market either as food, or specifically in food supplements, without requiring pre-market authorisation. Given the cost of authorisation, clarity on the legal status of these species should help the development of the sector.

## Timeline

The [EU Novel Food Status Catalogue](#) is updated on a regular basis.

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