

Salmonella Amsterdam

Background: *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* serovar Amsterdam (antigenic formula 3,{10}{15}{15,34}:g,m,s:–) is a serovar of the O:3,10 (E₁) serogroup.

Animal reservoir: Serovar Amsterdam is found in rats.

Geographical distribution: Serovar Amsterdam has been found in Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden.

Outbreaks: Outbreaks of S. Amsterdam have been reported.

Year	Location	Associated source	Number of cases
2019	Europe	Sesame-based products	121*

* Six different serotypes including *Salmonella* Amsterdam, *Salmonella* Havana, *Salmonella* Mbandaka, *Salmonella* Kintambo, *Salmonella* Orion and *Salmonella* Senftenberg are associated with the outbreak

Border Rejections:

Year	Location	Associated Source	Number of Cases
2022	Germany	Halva with pistachios from Syria	NA
2023	Norway	Halvah from Syria	NA

Relevant links and references:

1. <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/6358699/>
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3. <https://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/publications/hps-weekly-report/volume-55/issue-42/ecdc-rapid-risk-assessment-multi-country-outbreak-of-multiple-salmonella-enterica-serotypes-linked-to-imported-sesame-based-products/>
4. <https://bioportal.bioontology.org/ontologies/SNOMEDCT?p=classes&conceptid=114277008#details>
5. <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/rasff-window/screen/notification/615422>