

Analytical results of PAN Europe: BfR does not see any health risks from the pesticide residues detected in wine

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The European Pesticide Action Network (PAN) examined 40 bottles of wine from the European trade for pesticide residues. Six wines came from organic and 35 from conventional cultivation. Overall, the residues of 24 pesticides were detected; only four of them in non-quantifiable traces. Most of the samples contained more than one pesticide.

The Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) assessed the PAN study results from the angle of a possible risk to consumers. The result: bearing in mind the concentrations measured none of the pesticides detected in these wines constitutes a risk for consumers.

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