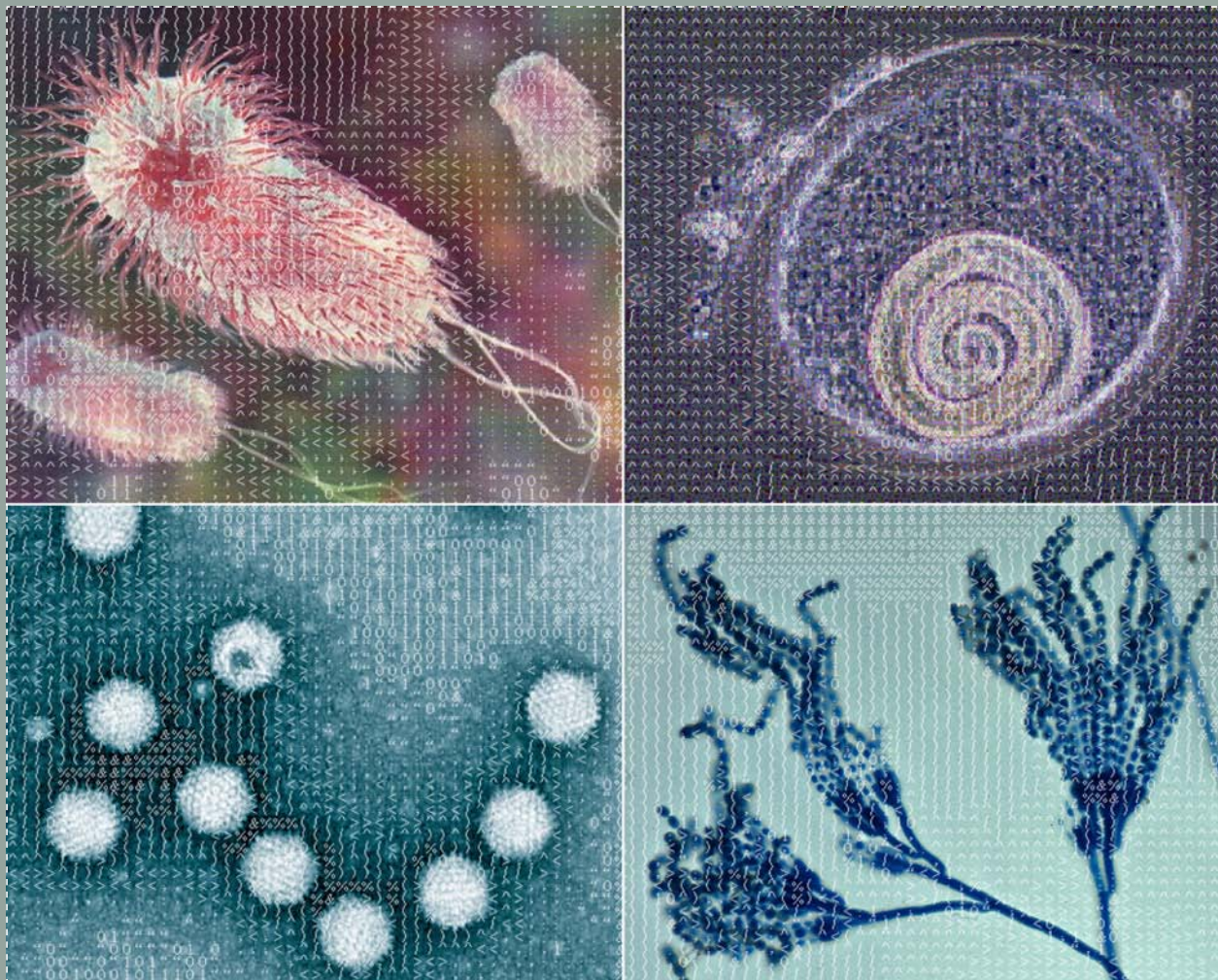


# > Classification of Organisms

*Bacteria, viruses, parasites, fungi*



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## > Abstracts

Under the Containment Ordinance (ContainO), the Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN) is required to keep lists of organisms (Art. 26 ContainO) classified according to the risk they pose to public health and the environment. Listed are natural microorganisms (bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi) and the groups to which they have been assigned.

**Keywords:** bacteria, viruses, parasites, fungi, microorganisms, risk, pathogenicity, Containment Ordinance (CO), PEMO, FOEN

Im Rahmen der Einschliessungsverordnung (ESV) wird das Bundesamt für Umwelt (BAFU) beauftragt, Listen der zugeordneten Organismen zu führen (Art. 26 ESV). Diese Listen betreffen natürliche Mikroorganismen. In den vorliegenden Listen finden sich die offiziell eingruppierten Bakterien, Viren, Parasiten und Pilze.

**Stichwörter:** Bakterien, Viren, Parasiten, Pilze, Mikroorganismen, Risiko, Pathogenität, Einschliessungsverordnung (ESV), SAMV, BAFU

En vertu de l'ordonnance sur l'utilisation confinée (OUC), l'Office fédéral de l'environnement (OFEV) tient des listes des microorganismes naturels classés (art. 26 OUC). La présente publication rassemble les listes officielles de bactéries, virus, parasites et champignons.

**Mots-clés:** bactéries, virus, parasites, champignons, microorganismes, risque, pathogénicité, ordonnance sur l'utilisation confinée (OUC), OPTM, OFEV

Nel quadro dell'ordinanza sull'impiego confinato (OIconf), l'Ufficio federale dell'ambiente (UFAM) è incaricato di tenere un elenco degli organismi classificati (art. 26 OIconf). Tale elenco comprende i microrganismi naturali. I presenti elenchi riportano i batteri, i virus, i parassiti e i funghi classificati.

**Parole chiave:** batteri, virus, parassiti, funghi, microrganismi, rischio, patogenicità, ordinanza sull'impiego confinato (OIconf), OPLM, UFAM

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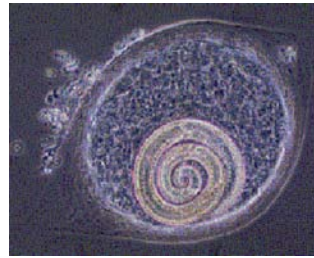
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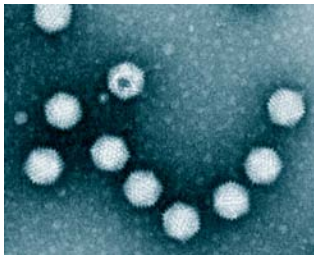
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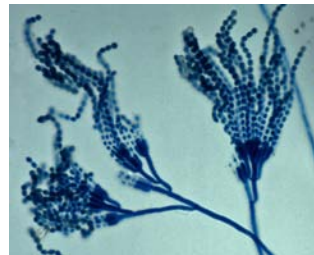
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## Part 2: Viruses



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## Part 4: Fungi



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## > Introduction

### **Classification of organisms according to their sanitary and environmental hazard potential**

With the release of the Ordinance on Handling Organisms in Contained Systems (ContainO) the Swiss Federal Council requires the Federal Office for the Environment (FOEN) to publish and keep up to date lists of classified organisms (Art. 26 ContainO). The aim is to simplify and harmonise the implementation of the Containment Ordinance and the related Ordinance on Protection of Employees from Dangerous Microorganisms.

The publication of these lists by the FOEN is subject to the consent of all the federal agencies concerned.