

Technical Information - Statement on the EFSA Opinion on the risks to human health related to the presence of perfluoroalkyl substances in food

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karyopyknosis Karyopyknosis is the irreversible condensation of chromatin in the nucleus of a cell undergoing necrosis or apoptosis.

surface water A surface water is one abstracted from a river or reservoir and groundwater is abstracted from a well or borehole. Springs are a bit of a grey area and some groundwaters can be influenced by surface water. Generally, groundwaters are of better and more stable quality but can be affected by persistent pollutants. About 2/3 of the drinking water supply in England and Wales is derived from surface water and 1/3 from groundwater. The south and the east is more dependent on groundwater supplies than the north and the west (DWI, personal communication, 2021).