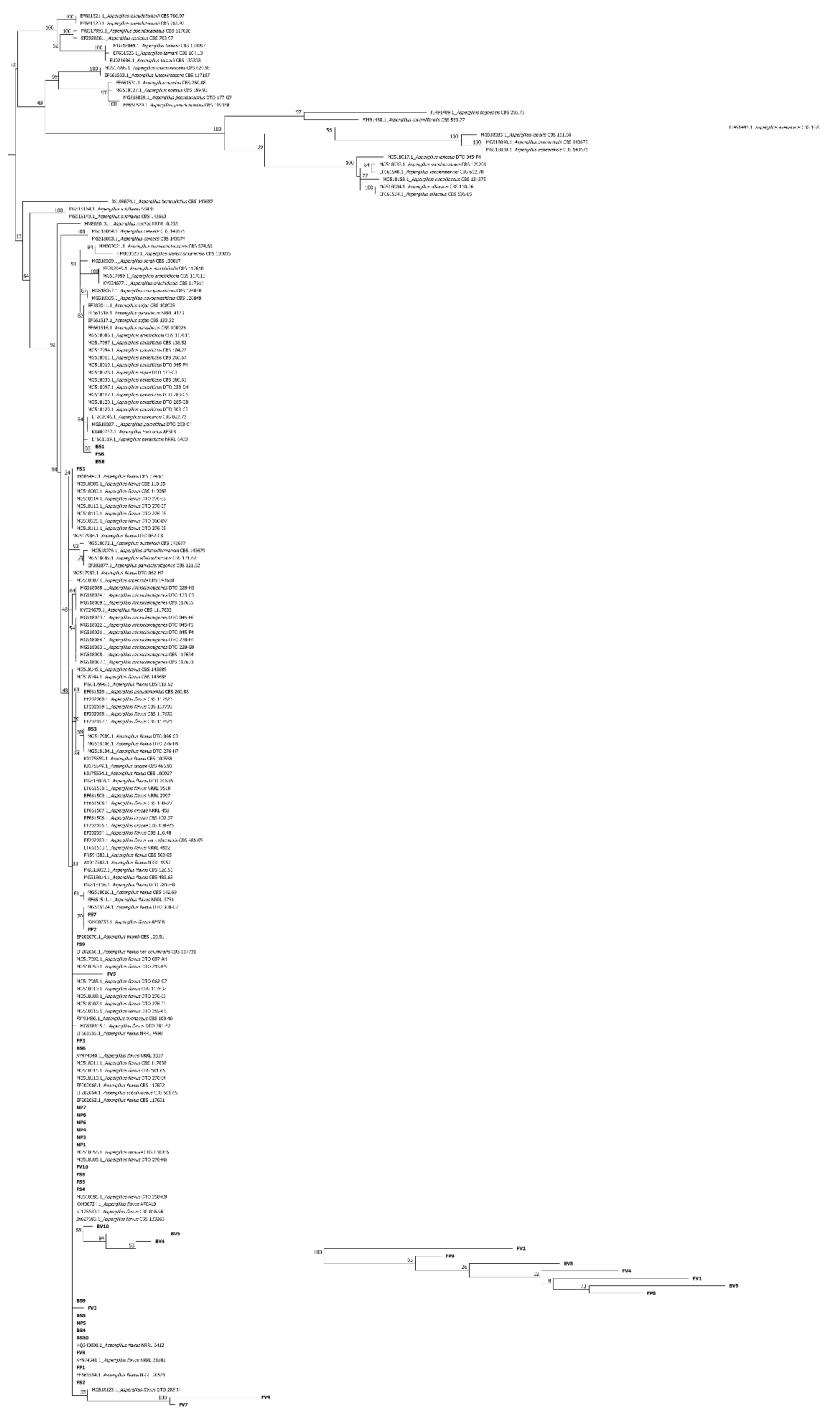
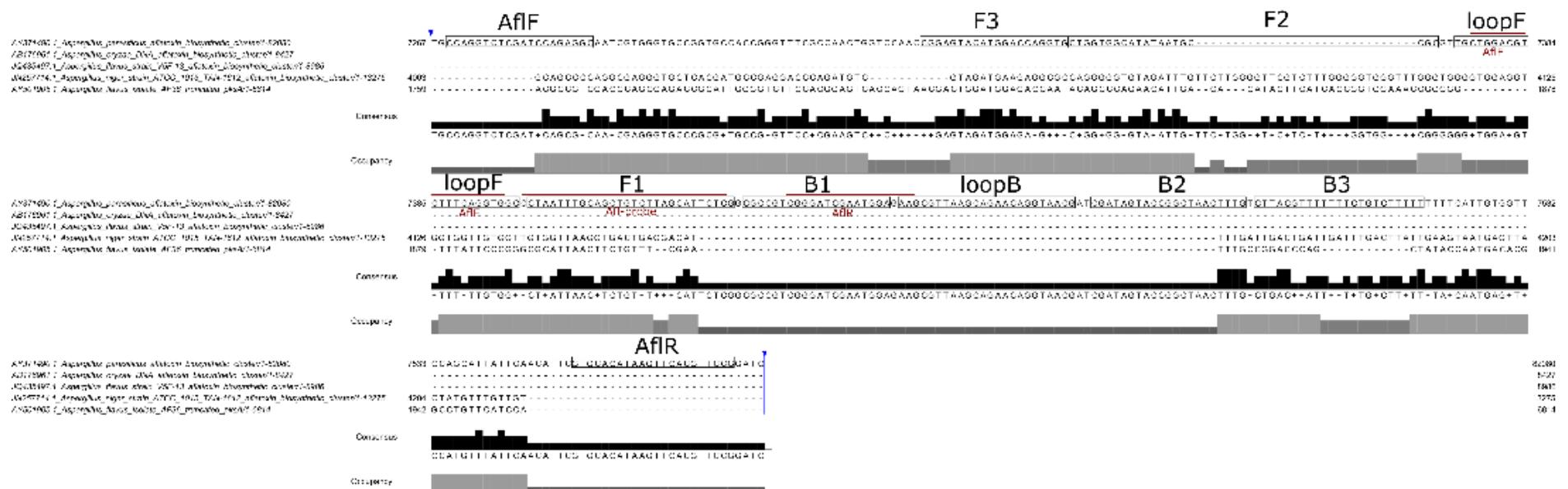


# Supplementary Materials: Development of PCR, LAMP and qPCR Assays for the Detection of Aflatoxigenic Strains of *Aspergillus flavus* and *A. parasiticus* in Hazelnut

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**Figure S1.** Phylogenetic tree based on the calmodulin gene sequences constructed with Maximum Likelihood method using K80 model plus gamma distribution model. Sequences from different species belonging to the *Aspergillus* section *Flavi*, identified by Frisvad et al. [4] were included as references.



**Figure S2.** LAMP, qPCR and end-point PCR primers alignment with the *aflT* gene within the aflatoxin biosynthetic cluster.

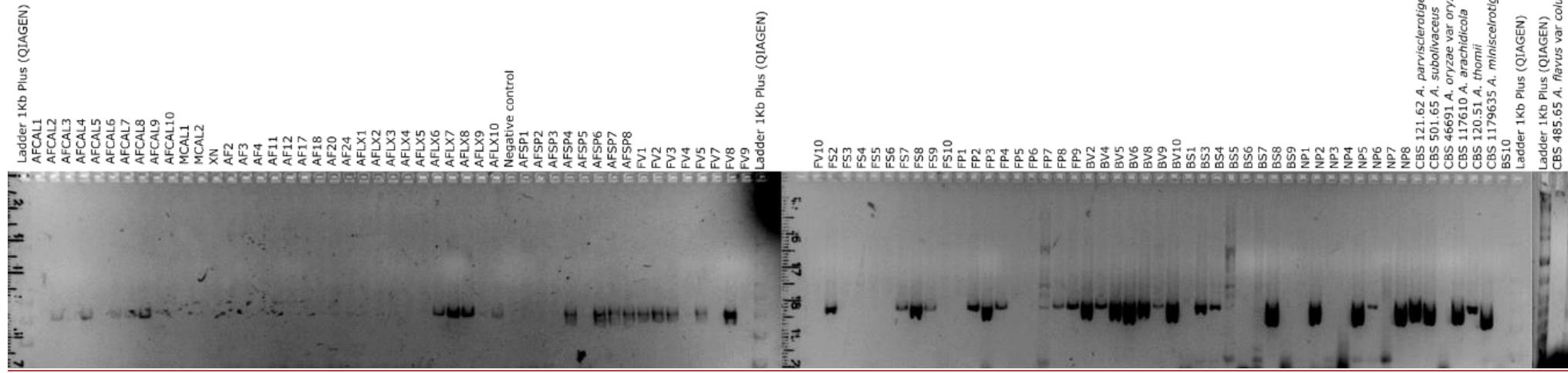
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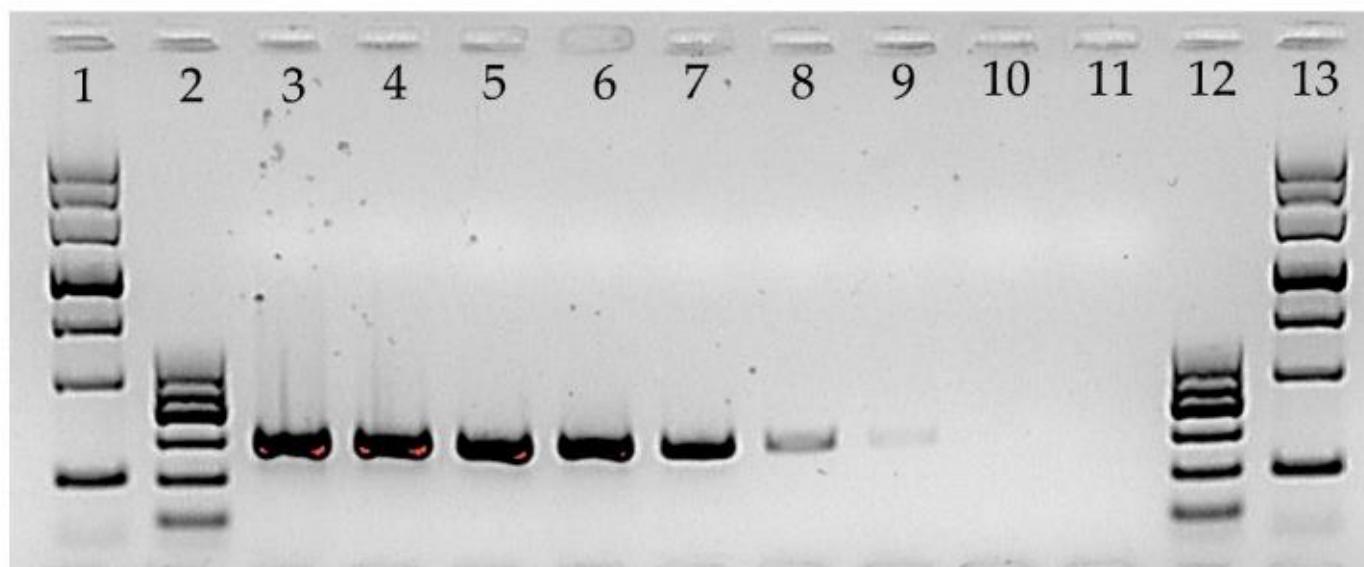
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loopB	5'-AAGCGTTAACGAGAACAGGTAAAC-3'	
F3	5'- <b>CGGAGTACATGGACCAGGTG</b> -3'	
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AfR	5'-CTTCTCCATTGATCCCG-3' RC: <b>CGGGATCGAATGGAGAAG</b>	qPCR
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AfF	5'- <b>CCAGGTCTCGATCCACAGAGG</b> -3'	
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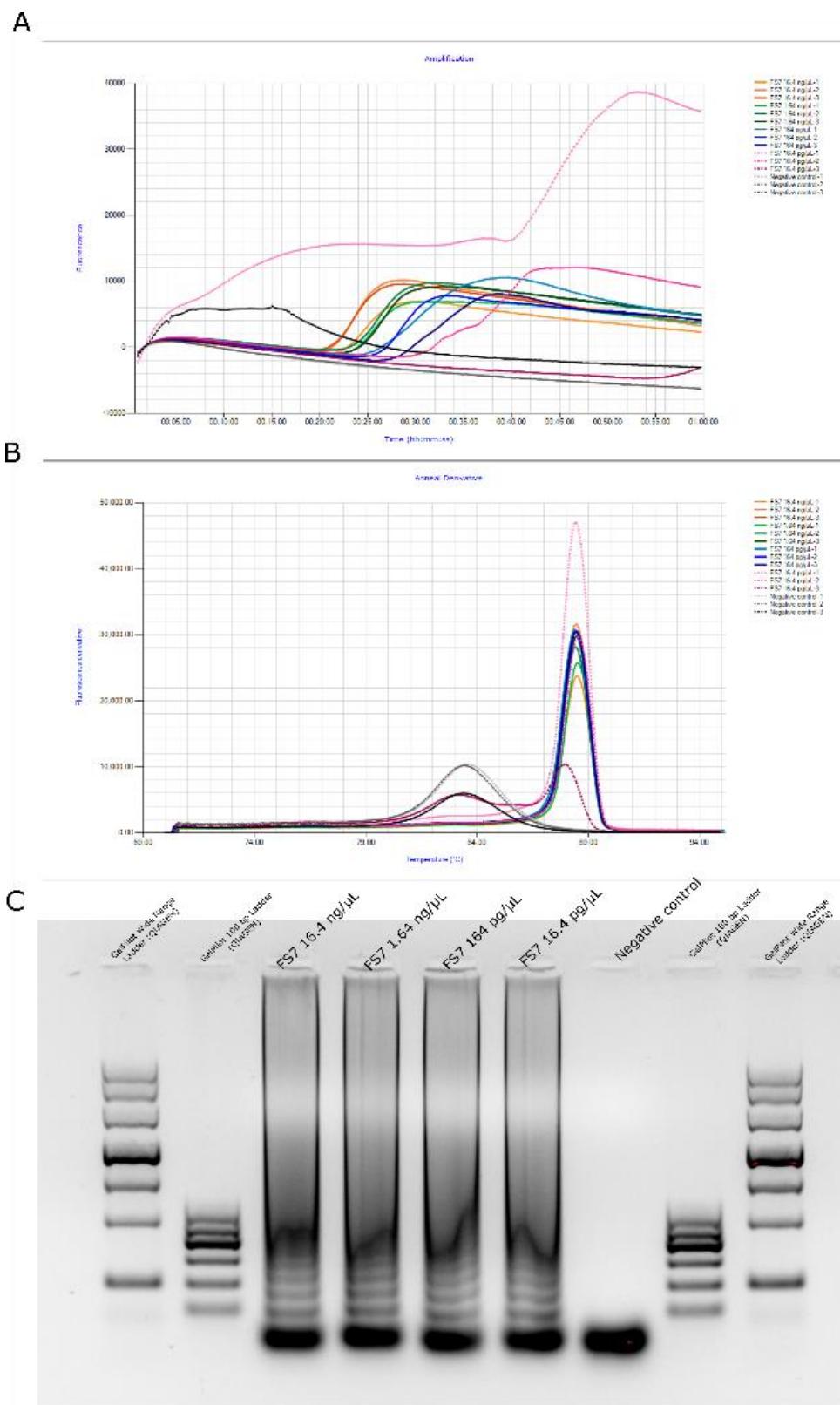
**Figure S3.** LAMP, qPCR and end-point PCR primers alignment with the *aflT* gene of *A. flavus* (GenBank AF515601.1) showing the exons and introns.



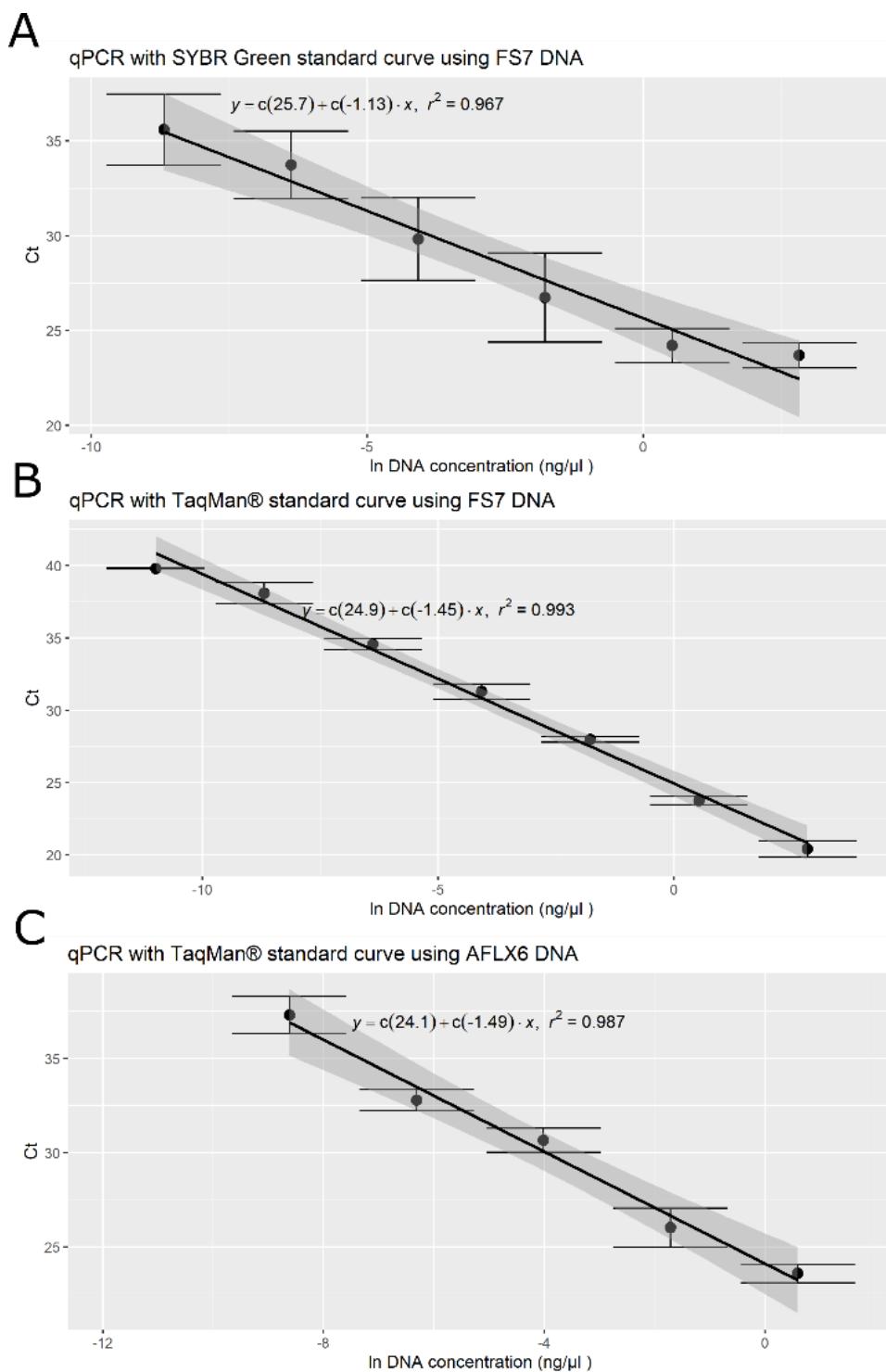
**Figure S4.** Agarose gel of the 308 bp amplicon obtained with primers AfF and AfR of the 97 *Aspergillus* spp. used in this study.



**Figure S5.** Agarose gel showing the limit of detection of the 308 bp PCR with the primers AfF and AfR. 1: GelPilot Wide Range Ladder (QIAGEN); 2: GelPilot 100 bp Ladder (QIAGEN), 3: *A. flavus* FV3 (110 ng/ $\mu$ L); 4: *A. flavus* FV3 (11 ng/ $\mu$ L); 5: *A. flavus* FV3 (1.1 ng/ $\mu$ L); 6: *A. flavus* FV3 (110 pg/ $\mu$ L); 7: *A. flavus* FV3 (11 pg/ $\mu$ L); 8: *A. flavus* FV3 (1.1 pg/ $\mu$ L); 9: *A. flavus* FV3 (110 fg/ $\mu$ L); 10: *A. flavus* FV3 (11 fg/ $\mu$ L); 11: Negative Control with water; 12: GelPilot 100 bp Ladder (QIAGEN); 13: GelPilot Wide Range Ladder (QIAGEN).



**Figure S6.** LAMP amplifications exported from the Genie II® instrument (A), and melting peaks (B) of 10-fold dilutions of the DNA of *A. flavus* FS7 strain. The amplification was confirmed by running an agarose gel of one of the three replicates of each dilution (C).



**Figure S7.** qPCR standard curves with SYBR Green (A), and TaqMan® probe standard curves using the DNA of *A. flavus* (FS7) (B) and *A. parasiticus* (AFLX6) (C).

**Table S1.** Reference strains used in this study to check the specificity of the LAMP assay (Tp, time to positive) and the qPCR assays (Ct). The PCR results reported the presence or absence of a 308 bp-amplicon. Aflatoxin production is reported in ppm. Neg=negative, Pos=positive; n.d.: not detected; Melting: melting temperature.

Strain	Species	PCR result	LAMP Assay		qPCR with TaqMan® Probe (Ct)	qPCR with SYBR Green		Mycotoxin Production (ppm)			
			Tp (min:s)	Melting (°C)		Ct	Melting (°C)	AFB1	AFB2	AFG1	AFG2
CBS 46691	<i>A. oryzae var. oryzae</i>	Neg	Neg	Neg	Neg	Neg	Neg	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
CBS 485.65	<i>A. flavus var. columnaris</i>	Neg	Neg	Neg	Neg	32.5	78.43	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
CBS 501.65	<i>A. subolivaceus</i>	Pos	21:59 ± 03:47	88.97 ± 0.09	26.39 ± 3.82	32.46 ± 0.00	78.58 ± 0.00	n.d.	0.8±0.8	n.d.	n.d.
CBS 120.51	<i>A. thomii</i>	Pos	29:27 ± 01:51	87.39 ± 0.09	25.83 ± 1.35	25.62 ± 0.18	78.28 ± 0.21	0.02±0.06	0.6±0.4	n.d.	n.d.
CBS 117610	<i>A. arachidicola</i>	Pos	25:30 ± 03:48	89.02 ± 0.09	Neg	Neg	66.07	420.9±2 93.0	35.1±15 .9	1361.1±100.5	543.1±46.5
CBS 117635	<i>A. minisclerotigenes</i>	Pos	21:32 ± 01:07	89.12 ± 0.00	16.92 ± 1.32	14.86 ± 0.04	79.25 ± 0.73	34.1±48 .6	118.2±2 39.0	261.8±3 18.6	n.d.
CBS 121.62	<i>A. parvisclerotigenus</i>	Pos	22:08 ± 00:21	89.22 ± 0.09	Neg	Neg	Neg	390.5±4 6.5	140.6±2 1.1	639.5±8 1.0	n.d.

**Table S2.** Other species used in the specificity panel of the LAMP assay (Tp, time to positive) and the qPCR assay (Ct). The PCR results reported the presence or absence of a 308 bp-amplicon. Standard deviation was included for each Tp and melting temperature. Tp: time to positive. Anneal: melting temperature.

Strain	Species	PCR result	LAMP Assay		qPCR with TaqMan® Probe (Ct)
			Tp (min:s)	Melting (°C)	
COLL1	<i>Colletotrichum sp.</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
TRICO1	<i>Trichoderma sp.</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CBS 115152	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CBS 116329	<i>Alternaria alternata</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
PHC80	<i>Phytophthora capsici</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL56	<i>Penicillium crustosum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL57	<i>Penicillium crustosum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL58	<i>Penicillium crustosum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL3F	<i>Penicillium commune</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
SP2	<i>Penicillium palitans</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
SP3	<i>Penicillium palitans</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
XF	<i>Penicillium solitum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
X3	<i>Penicillium polonicum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
X6	<i>Penicillium polonicum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
XA	<i>Penicillium viride</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
XC	<i>Penicillium viride</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
XB	<i>Penicillium yezoense</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL66	<i>Penicillium glabrum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CAL67	<i>Penicillium glabrum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
XD	<i>Penicillium glabrum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CALA	<i>Penicillium citrinum</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative
CLA1	<i>Cladosporium sp.</i>	Not tested	Negative	Negative	Negative

**Table S3.** Reference strains used for the identification of the hazelnut isolates. The strains were previously identified by Frisvad et al. [4]. GenBank accession number report the sequence for the calmodulin used to infer a phylogenetic tree that identifies the hazelnut isolates.

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	CBS 110.26	MG518004		CBS 117635	MG518009
<i>Aspergillus</i> <i>arachidicola</i>	CBS 117610	EF202049		CBS 117633	MG518007
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<i>Aspergillus avenaceus</i>	CBS 109.46	FJ491496		DTO 228-G9	MG518083
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<i>Aspergillus</i> <i>bertholletius</i>	CBS 143687	JX198674		DTO 228-H5	MG518088
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