Mycotoxins: Sample Preparation and Analysis

Matrix of the Month

January, 2014:
Aflatoxins B/G and
Ochratoxin A
in Potato Chips



Do you have a special matrix that we should test for mycotoxins? Please let us know and write an e-mail to info@LCTech.de!

#### Protocol

20 g homogenised potato chips are mixed with 2 g sodium chloride and extracted with 100 mL 80/20 (methanol/water (v/v)) and 50 mL n-hexane (5-10 min).

The extract is filtrated and centrifuged for 10 min at 2000xg to support phase separation of aqueous and n-hexane phase. 2 mL of the aqueous phase (lower phase) are diluted with 12 mL PBS buffer containing 8% Tween20.

The extract is applied to the immunoaffinity column Afla-OtaCLEAN, afterwards the sample reservoir is rinsed with 10 mL of de-ionised water. This washing solution is also applied to the immunoaffinity column.

The column is dried and eluted with methanol (2 mL). The methanol should incubate on the column bed for 5 minutes to be sure that the antibody is entirely denaturated.

The eluate is diluted to HPLC condtions and measured.

### **HPLC Conditions**

### Aflatoxins B/G

HPLC: Dionex Ultimate 3000 isocratic

Column oven: 36 °C

Separation column: RP C18

Flow rate: 1.2 mL/min, water/methanol/acetonitrile (60/30/15 (v/v/v)) Fluorescence detection: photochemical derivatisation with UVE

Excitation wavelength: 365 nm Emission wavelength: 460 nm

### **Ochratoxin A**

HPLC: Dionex Ultimate 3000 isocratic

Column oven: 40 °C

Separation column: EC125/3 Nucleosil 120-3 C-18 RP

Flow rate: 0.6 mL/min, water/methanol/acetonitrile (40/55/5 (v/v/v)) + 1 % acetic acid

Excitation wavelength: 335 nm Emission wavelength: 465 nm







Content of Aflatoxins B1, B2, G1 and G2 as well as Ochratoxin A in Potato Chips					
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	B1	B2	G1	G2	Ochratoxin A
Standard*	100	100	100	100	100
Recovery rate*					

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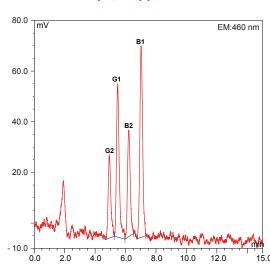
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## Chromatograms

Potato chips 10 ppb

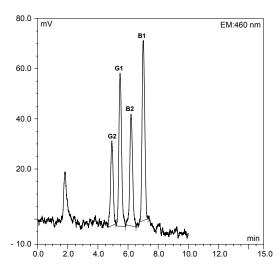
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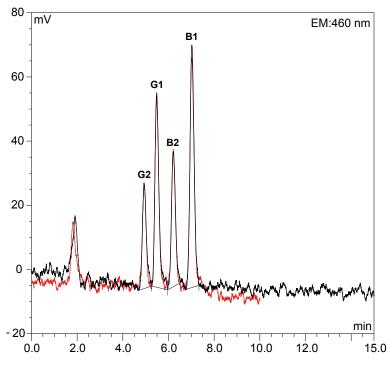


## Aflatoxins: Standard, 10 ppb, (4 ng/2 mL)

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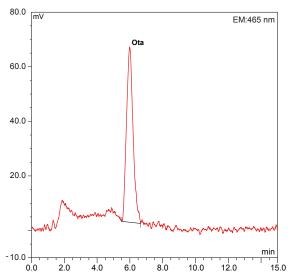




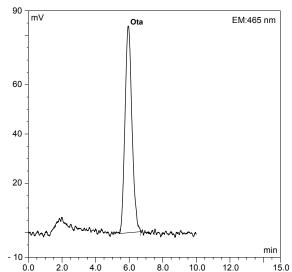
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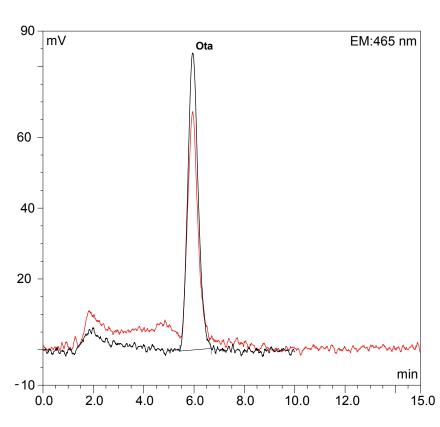
<sup>\*</sup> Standard is set = 100 %, \*\* corrected with non-spiked sample





## Ochratoxin A: Standard, 10 ppb, (4 ng/2 mL)





## Ochratoxin A: Overlay of both chromatograms

These LCTech products were used:

AflaCLEAN,

Immunoaffinity column for the Aflatoxins B1, B2, G1, G2

P/N 10514

UVE,

Photochemical reactor for the analysis of Aflatoxins

P/N 10519

HPLC column,

for the analysis of Aflatoxins

P/N 10522

OtaCLEAN,

Immunoaffinity column for Ochratoxin A

P/N 10515

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