

## DETERMINATION OF OCHRATOXIN A IN PAPRIKA

**Regulations for paprika:**

Europe (EC 594/2012) : 30µg/Kg until  
31.12.14 then 15µg/Kg

**PROTOCOL OF PURIFICATION****Sample preparation**

10g of paprika are shaken during 30 minutes with 100mL of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> 1% in water. The extract is centrifuged for 30 minutes at 4000 rpm at room temperature then filtered through a filter paper.

25mL of the extract is diluted with 25mL of HCl solution pH=1, 0.1M. After a filtration through a filter paper, this solution is used as the loading solution.

**Purification with a 3mL/100mg AFFINIMIP® SPE Ochratoxin A cartridge****Equilibration**

- 4mL Acetonitrile
- 4mL Water

**Loading**

- 4mL of loading solution (eq. 1g sample)

**Washing of interferents**

- 7mL 60/40 HCl solution pH 1, 0.1M/ACN

**Elution (E)**

- 2mL Methanol – 2% Acetic acid

The elution fraction was then evaporated and dissolved in water before HPLC analysis.

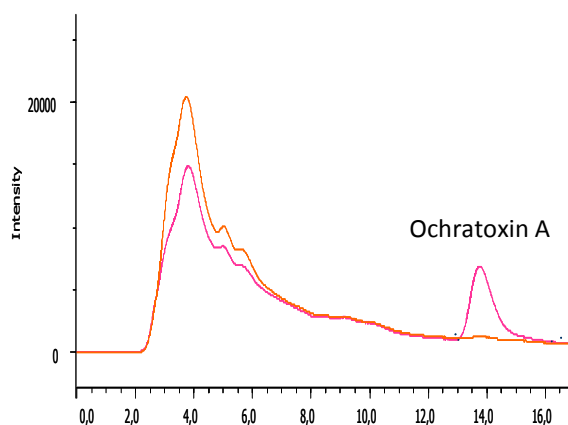
**HPLC Method with Fluorescence detection**

Column: Hypersil Gold C18 column 150mm x 2.1mm  
Mobile phase: water/acetic acid/MeOH (39/1/60, v/v)

Flow rate: 0.2mL/min

Fluorescence detection: excitation/emission  
wavelengths: 333 / 460nm

Injection volume: 20µL.

**RESULTS**

Chromatogram obtained after purification of paprika (spiked at 30µg / kg (pink) or not contaminated (orange)) with AFFINIMIP® SPE Ochratoxin A

Recoveries of Ochratoxin A after AFFINIMIP® SPE Ochratoxin A Clean-up in paprika (n=4).

| C° (µg/kg) | Recoveries % | % RSD |
|------------|--------------|-------|
| 30         | 93.3         | 3.4   |

**Catalog number:**

FS101-02 for 25 cartridges

FS101-03 for 50 cartridges