Immunoaffinity Column of Aflatoxin-M1 (IAC-AFLA M1)

Instruction Manual (C/N: IAC 102)

1. GENERAL

Aflatoxin is a kind of fungus toxic metabolites. They mainly exist in the peanut, grains, nuts, seeds and some food, animal feed and other related products. Aflatoxin M_1 is the metabolic product of aflatoxin B_1 . If cows intake feed that contain aflatoxin B_1 , they're milk will containing aflatoxin M_1 . Due to aflatoxin M_1 are quite stable, pasteurization cannot kill it, so we need to strictly detection of aflatoxin M_1 in milk and products.

2. INTENDED USE

A simple and efficient extraction and purification procedure for Aflatoxins was developed by means of the immunoaffinity column (IAC-SEP $^{\mbox{\tiny B}}$ AFLA M₁) as a cleanup tool. This method do not use toxic solvents such as chloroform and methylene chloride. AflatoxinM₁ content in milk, fermented milk, powder, infant formula powder, cheese and cream samples are cleaned up by IAC and determined by HPLC or LC-MS/MS. It is a fast, simple, safe and highly accurate method for quantitatively measuring aflatoxin M₁.

3. PRINCIPLE

Samples are prepared by mixing with an extraction solution(or just centrifuging), blending and filtering. The extract is then applied to the Aflatoxin M_1 immunoaffinity column bound with specific antibodies to Aflatoxin M_1 . At this stage, the Aflatoxin M_1 bind to the antibody on the column. The column is then washed with water to remove the impurities. By passing methanol through the column, the Aflatoxin M_1 are removed from the antibody. This methanol solution can then be injected into HPLC or LC-MS/MS system.

4. PREPARATION OF SOLUTIONS

- 4.1 Mobile Phase: Water-Acetonitrile-Methanol(68+24+8,V/V): 680mL water+240mL acetonitrile +80mL methanol, mixing blending.
- 4.2 Standard Solution: Dilute aflatoxins stock solution with mobile phase.(2-8°C storage, valid for 24 h).
- 4.3 0.5 mol/L NaOH Solution (for Fermented milk): 2.0g NaOH bring to 100mL with purified water.
- 4.4 Acetonitrile -Water(1+4,V/V) (for cheese) : 800mLwater+200mL acetonitrile, mixing blending.

The column capacity of IAC - SEP $^{\otimes}$ AFLA M₁ (maximum adsorption amount of aflatoxin) is 150 ng, when aflatoxin M₁ in sample more than the maximum adsorption amount, please reduced the volume into the detection range, then calculate the accurate content.

5. METHOD: IAC- AFLAM₁Test procedure for Milk and Powdered Milk

- 5.1 Powder Milk Sample Preparation :
 - 5.1.1 Weigh 10g of powder milk and place into a 250mL beaker.
 - 5.1.2 Heat 100 mL purified water to 30-40 °C.
 - 5.1.3 Add 80mL preheated water in small amounts into the milk powder.
 - 5.1.4 Mix continually until a homogeneous mixture is obtained.
 - 5.1.5 Transfer milk mixture into a 250mL graduate cylinder and add 20mL of remaining preheated water. And Cooled it to room temperature. It is called as a recovery milk.

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- 5.2 Sample Extraction
 - 5.2.1 Measure 60.0mL of fluid milk or recovery milk and place into two 50mL polypropylene centrifuge tubes.
 - 5.2.2 Centrifugate at 4000RPM for 5min.
 - 5.2.3 Separate fat (top) layer from defatted (skim) layer. Use defatted (skim) milk for further analysis.
- 5.3 Affinity Chromatography:
 - 5.3.1 Remove two end caps from IAC
 - 5.3.2 Pass 50mL of defatted (skim) milk sample through the column at a steady slow flow rate of about 1 drops per second.
 - 5.3.3 After extract has completely passed through column, pass 10mL of purified water through column at a flow rate of about 1-2 drops per second.
 - 5.3.4 Elute IAC column at a flow rate of 1 drops per second with 1.0mL HPLC grade methanol and collect it in a clean glass cuvette.
 - 5.3.5 Add 1.0 mL of purified water to eluate. Mix well. Inject 5-100µL into HPLC.

6. METHOD: IAC- AFLA M₁Test procedure for Fermented milk:

- 6.1 Sample Extraction
 - 6.1.1 Weigh 100g of Fermented milk and place into a 250 mL beaker.
 - 6.1.2 Adjust pH to 7.0 with 0.5 mol/L NaOH Solution, mix well.
 - 6.1.3 Centrifugate at 4000RPM for 5min.
 - 6.1.4 Collect the upper levels 50mL.
- 6.2 Affinity Chromatography:
 - 6.2.1 Remove two end caps from IAC
 - 6.2.2 Pass 50mL solution(6.1.4) through the column at a steady slow flow rate of about 1 drops per second.
 - 6.2.3 After extract has completely passed through column, pass 10mL of purified water through column at a flow rate of about 1-2 drops per second.
 - 6.2.4 Elute IAC column at a flow rate of 1 drops per second with 1.0mL HPLC grade methanol and collect it in a clean glass cuvette.
 - 6.2.5 Add 1.0mL of purified water to eluate. Mix well. Inject 5-100µL into HPLC.

7. METHOD: IAC- AFLA M₁Test procedure for Cream

- 7.1 Sample Extraction
 - 7.1.1 Weigh 2.0g of cream into a 50mL centrifuge tube.
 - 7.1.2 Add 8mL petroleum ether, dissolve the cream, add 9mL of water and 11mL of methanol, shake for 30min.
 - 7.1.3 Stand for 5min.
 - 7.1.4 Collect the lower layer solution 10mL, add 20mL of water, mix well.
- 7.2 Affinity Chromatography:
 - 7.2.1 Remove two end caps from IAC
 - 7.2.2 Pass 30mL solution(7.1.4) through the column at a steady slow flow rate of about 1 drops per second.
 - 7.2.3 After extract has completely passed through column, pass 10mL of purified water

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through column at a flow rate of about 1-2 drops per second.

- 7.2.4 Elute IAC column at a flow rate of 1 drops per second with 1.0mL HPLC grade methanol and collect it in a clean glass cuvette.
- 7.2.5 Add 1.0 mL of purified water to eluate. Mix well. Inject 5-100µL into HPLC.

8. METHOD: IAC- AFLAM₁Test procedure for Cheese

- 8.1 Sample Extraction
 - 8.1.1 Weigh 2.0g Cheese (chopped) into a 50mL centrifuge tube.
 - 8.1.2 Add add 1 mL of water and 19mL of methanol, shake for 60min.
 - 8.1.3 Centrifugate at 4000rpm for 5min.
 - 8.1.4 Collect the upper levels 10mL, add 40mL of water, mix well.
- 8.2 Affinity Chromatography:
 - 8.2.1 Remove two end caps from IAC
 - 8.2.2 Pass 50mL solution(8.1.4) through the column at a steady slow flow rate of about 1 drops per second.
 - 8.2.3 After extract has completely passed through column, pass 10mL of purified water through column at a flow rate of about 1-2 drops per second.
 - 8.2.4 Elute IAC column at a flow rate of 1 drops per second with 1.0mL HPLC grade methanol and collect it in a clean glass cuvette.
 - 8.2.5 Add 1.0mL of purified water to eluate. Mix well. Inject 5-100µL into HPLC.

9. HPLC Set up:

- 9.1 Column: Cloversil-C18,4.6×150mm (5um) or 4.6*250mm (5um)
- 9.2 Flow rate: 0.8 mL/min.
- 9.3 Detector: Fluorescence detector Excitation wavelength: 360 nm, Emission wavelength: 440 nm
- 9.4 Sample loop: 20-100 μL.
- 9.5 Mobile Phase:Water-Acetonitrile-Methanol(68+24+8,V/V)



HPLC chromatogram of AFLA M_1 standard

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10. IMPORTANT NOTES

- 10.1 Storage: IAC-AFLA M₁ should be stored at 2-8 °C. Do not freeze.
- 10.2 Shelf Life: IAC-AFLA M_1 columns and kits are stable for 18 months if stored at 2-8 °C.
- 10.3 If Sample recycling test is needed, standard substance should be added to the sample before 2 hours or one night, otherwise, the recovery rate will be low. If standard substance recycling test is needed, make sure methanol concentration <5%,or the adsorption capacity of immunoaffinity column will be influenced.
- 10.4 If you want to modify the operating instructions of the operation steps, please contact with our technology department.
- 10.5 When dry the eluate do be careful the speed of Nitrogen gas flow ,or there will be a loss of AFLA M1.