# Mycotoxins: Sample Preparation and Analysis

Matrix of the Month

October, 2013: Ochratoxin A in Sunflower Seeds



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 sample are extracted with 2 g NaCl in 100 mL 80/20 methanol/water with 50 mL n-hexane (10 min) and then filtrated.

The filtrate (2 mL) is diluted with 12 mL PBS buffer with 8% Tween20 and completely added onto the immunoaffinity column OtaCLEAN.

The column is washed with 10 mL water, dried and eluted with 2 x 1 mL methanol. The first milliliter methanol should incubate on the column bed for 5 minutes to be sure that the antibody is entirely denaturated.

# **HPLC Conditions**

HPLC: Dionex Ultimate 3000 isocratic Column oven: 40 °C Separation column: RP C18 Flow rate: 0.6 mL/min (40/55/5) (water/methanol/acetonitrile (v/v/v) + 0.1% acetic acid) Excitation wavelength: 335 nm Emission wavelength: 465 nm

#### Recovery Rate

Content of Ochratoxin A in sunflower seeds	
	Ochratoxin A
Standard*	100
Recovery rate** sunflower seeds, spiked with 10 ppb	89

\* Standard is set = 100 % , \*\* corrected with non-spiked sample



Chromatograms



### Sunflower seeds (OTA without post column derivatisation), spiked with 10 ppb

#### Overlay





OtaCLEAN, Immunoaffinity column for Ochratoxin A

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