

Application Note

Multi-Residue Analysis of Pesticides in Oranges Using AOAC QuEChERS Method by UPLC-MS/MS

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This is an Application Brief and does not contain a detailed Experimental section.

Abstract

This application brief highlights the multi-residue analysis of pesticides in oranges using AOAC QuEChERS method by UPLC-MS/MS

Experimental

Extraction Procedure

1. Add 15 mL 1% acetic acid in acetonitrile into the 50 mL DisQuE extraction tube 1.
2. Add 15 g of homogenized orange with skin into the 50 mL tube.
3. Add any internal standards and standard mixture.
4. Shake vigorously for 1 minute and centrifuge > 1500 rcf for 5 minute.

5. Transfer 1 mL of the acetonitrile extract into the 2 mL clean-up tube containing 50 mg PSA, 150 mg MgSO₄, and 50 mg C₁₈.
6. Shake for 30 seconds and centrifuge >1500 rcf for 1 minute.
7. Transfer 100 µL of final extract into a 1.5 mL centrifuge tube.
8. Add any post-extraction internal standards.
9. Dilute as needed with an appropriate buffer or solvent.
10. Centrifuge > 16000 rcf for 5 minutes.
11. Transfer to autosampler vial.

LC Conditions

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| LC System: | Waters ACQUITY UPLC System |
| Column: | ACQUITY UPLC BEH C ₁₈ , 2.1 x 100 mm, 1.7 µm |
| Column Temp: | 40 °C |
| Sample Temp: | 4 °C |
| Flow Rate: | 0.3 mL/min. |
| Mobile Phase A: | Water + 0.1% formic acid |
| Mobile Phase B: | Methanol + 0.1% formic acid |
| Injection Volume: | 15 µL, Partial loop injection |

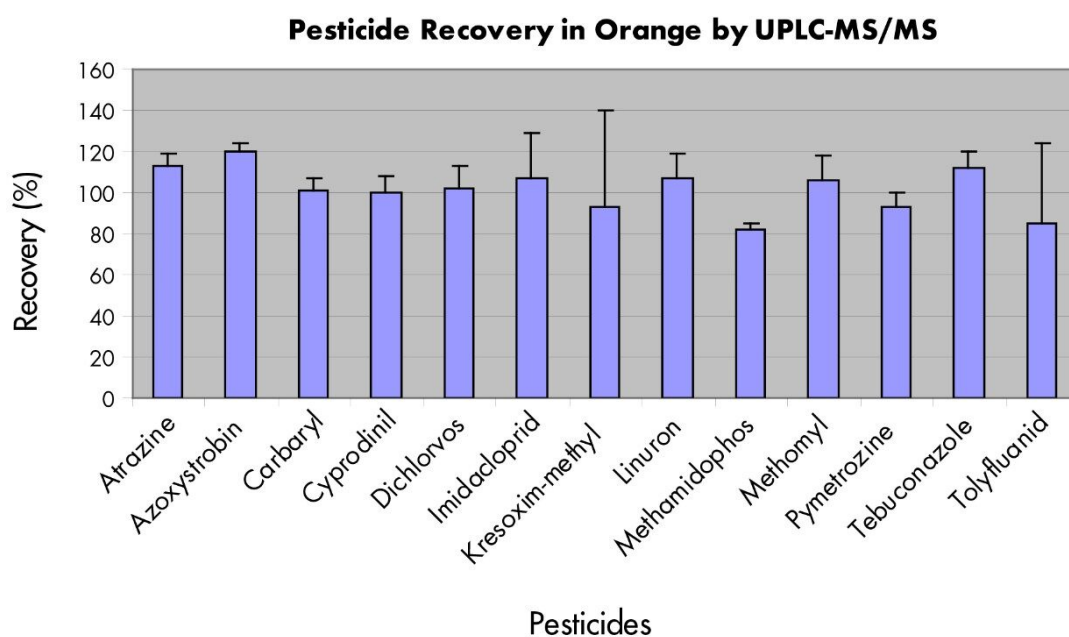
Gradient:

| Time | Flow Rate | A% | B% |
|-------|--------------|----|-----|
| 0.00 | 0.3 | 75 | 25 |
| 0.25 | 0.3 | 75 | 25 |
| 7.75 | 0.3 | 5 | 100 |
| 8.50 | 0.3 | 0 | 100 |
| 8.51 | 0.5 | 75 | 25 |
| 10.50 | 0.5 | 75 | 25 |
| 11.00 | 0.3 | 75 | 25 |

MS Conditions

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| Instrument: | Waters ACQUITY TQ Detector |
| Ionization: | Positive electrospray (ESI+) |
| Acquisition: | Multiple reaction monitoring (MRM) |

Results and Discussion



Pesticides in Oranges by UPLC-MS/MS

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[ACQUITY UPLC Tunable UV Detector <https://www.waters.com/514228>](https://www.waters.com/514228)

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