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Foreword

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1 Scope

This Technical Specification specifies an HPLC-method for the determination of neohesperidin-dihydrochalcon (NHDC) in foodstuffs.

It has been validated in a collaborative test with cherry yoghurt containing 42,7 mg/kg and on a multi vitamin drink containing 35,6 mg/l NHDC [1].

The method has been successfully applied to a range of other foods including marzipan, bakery products, cream, custard powder, chocolate, ice cream.

2 Normative references

This Technical Specification incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this Technical Specification only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods (ISO 3696:1987)*.

3 Principle

The sample is diluted with methanol or extracted with a methanol/water – mixture and possibly filtered. NHDC is separated by HPLC on a reversed phase, detected spectrometrically and determined by the external standard method [1].

4 Reagents

4.1 General

During the analysis, unless otherwise stated, use only reagents of recognised analytical grade and water of at least grade 1 according to EN ISO 3696 or use distilled water.

4.2 tetra-*n*-butyl ammonium hydrogen sulfate-solution (mobile Phase A) for HPLC recommended

Substance concentration $c = 0,01 \text{ mol/l}$

4.3 Methanol (mobile Phase B)

4.4 HPLC mobile phase

For the mobile phase, tetra-*n*-butyl ammonium hydrogen sulfate-solution (4.2) and methanol (4.3) are applied in appropriate ratios (gradient, e.g. as given in 6.3.1). Filter through a membrane filter (5.2) before use.

4.5 Standard substance

The NHDC standard substance shall fulfil the requirements according to EU directive 95/31/EU [2].

Commercially available NHDC can contain 4 mol of water. If using this commercially available substance, take its water content into account. The molecular weight of dried NHDC is 612,6 g/mol.

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