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Reverse-phase high-performance liquid
chromatography method**

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benzo[*a*]pyrène — Méthode par chromatographie liquide à haute
performance à polarité de phase inversée*



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Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of benzo[a]pyrene content — Reverse-phase high-performance liquid chromatography method

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for the determination of benzo[a]pyrene in crude or refined edible oils and fats by reverse-phase high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) using fluorimetric detection in the range from 0,1 µg/kg to 10 µg/kg.

2 Normative reference

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ISO 661:1989, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Preparation of test sample*

3 Principle

Adsorption of a suitable amount of sample on an alumina column, followed by elution with light petroleum of any benzo[a]pyrene present, and subsequent analysis of the eluate by HPLC using a fluorimetric detector.

4 Reagents

All reagents shall be of recognized analytical grade. Where analytical grade solvents other than the recommended ones are used, a full blank analysis shall be carried out and the results of this blank analysis reported.

4.1 Water, double distilled, filtered through a membrane filter of 0,45 µm pore size; deionized water obtained by purifying demineralized water systems may also be used.

4.2 Light petroleum (boiling point range between 40 °C and 60 °C), or **hexane**, redistilled over potassium hydroxide pellets (4 g/l).

4.3 Acetonitrile, suitable for HPLC.

4.4 Tetrahydrofuran, suitable for HPLC.

4.5 Toluene, suitable for HPLC.

4.6 Sodium sulfate, granular, anhydrous.