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Produits alimentaires - Dosage des toxines T-2 et HT-2 dans les céréales et les produits céréaliers pour nourrissons et enfants en bas âge par purification par SPE et CLHP-SM/SM Lebensmittel - Bestimmung von T 2 Toxin und HT 2 Toxin in Getreide und Säuglings- und Kleinkindernahrung auf Getreidebasis mit HPLC MS/MS nach SPE-Reinigung

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#### **European foreword**

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In comparison with the previous edition, the following technical modifications have been made:

— the second elution step in the solid phase extraction in 7.4 is more clearly described.

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#### Introduction

The mycotoxin T-2 toxin and its metabolite HT-2 toxin belong to the group of trichothecenes which are produced by various Fusarium species. Cereals like maize, wheat, barley, oats and rye are most likely to be affected.

WARNING 1 — Suitable precaution and protection measures need to be taken when carrying out working steps with harmful chemicals. The latest version of the hazardous substances ordinance, Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 [3], should be taken into account as well as appropriate national statements, e.g. such as in [4].

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WARNING 3 — T-2 toxin and its metabolite HT-2 toxin are known to have carcinogenic effects.

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#### 1 Scope

This document describes a method for the determination of T-2 toxin and HT-2 toxin in cereals and cereal-based products, e.g. oats, intended for nutrition of infants and young children by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) coupled with tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) after cleanup by solid phase extraction (SPE) [5].

The method has been validated for HT-2 toxin in oat flour at levels of 9,3  $\mu$ g/kg and 28,1  $\mu$ g/kg, oat flakes at levels of 16,5  $\mu$ g/kg and 21,4  $\mu$ g/kg, and breakfast cereals (containing oat flakes) at a level of 8,1  $\mu$ g/kg and for T-2 toxin in oat flour at levels of 4,4  $\mu$ g/kg and 8,3  $\mu$ g/kg, oat flakes at levels of 4,9  $\mu$ g/kg and 6,6  $\mu$ g/kg and breakfast cereals (containing oat flakes) at a level of 3,5  $\mu$ g/kg.

Laboratory experiences [6] have shown that the method is also applicable to highly swelling materials (dry cereal-based porridges and modified starches), but these were not examined in the method validation study. Details are outlined in 7.3.

The method can also be applied to oat-by-products at higher levels of T-2- and HT-2 toxin. In this case, the dilution steps need to be considered [6].

The method can also be applied to cereals and cereal products for infants and young children based on e.g. wheat, barley and rice. In this case, the method needs to be in-house-validated for each material. At the time of the interlaboratory study, planned range was  $10~\mu g/kg$  to  $100~\mu g/kg$ , and it is known from the pre-study that the method works well in the whole range, although final validation was only done in the range from  $3.5~\mu g/kg$  to  $28.1~\mu g/kg$ .

#### 2 Normative references

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