

## **Glyphosate in Yellow Peas and Red Lentils Sample Preparation**

### **1. Intended Use**

For the detection of Glyphosate in ground yellow peas and red lentils.

### **2. Sensitivity**

7.5 ppb in matrix

### **3. Materials and Reagents Required**

Analytical balance

Weighing boats

Spatula

Microcentrifuge tubes, 1.5 mL or 2.0 mL

Microcentrifuge capable of 10,000 rpm

Micropipettes with disposable plastic tips

Glass vials – 4 mL, 20 mL with Teflon-lined caps

Blender/food processor or equivalent

Deionized water

Serological pipettes, 5 mL or 10 mL

Rotator and/or shaker

Vortex mixer

ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate Sample Diluent (PN 500082)

ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate Plate ELISA Kit (PN 500205)

### **4. Notes and Precautions**

This procedure is intended for use with ground yellow peas and red lentils. Other matrices should be thoroughly validated before use with this procedure.

- It is highly recommended for the samples to be ground before extraction to produce accurate results. Ground the samples with a blender, food processor, or equivalent. Proceed to step 5.1.
- To minimize the potential for sample contamination due to carryover from the preparation of highly contaminated samples, the blender jar should be thoroughly washed and dried between samples.
- Due to the viscous nature of the sample extracts, if possible, the microtiter plate should be placed on a plate shaker or vortex mixer fitted with a micro-well plate holder adapter for the incubations with the antibody and conjugate solutions (Steps F.2 and F.3 in the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate ELISA user's guide). This will allow for the appropriate mixing of all reagents in the microtiter wells.
- Analysis should be performed with the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate Plate ELISA Kit as soon as possible after extraction. Samples should not sit more than one day in plastic microcentrifuge tubes before being diluted and analyzed.
- This procedure is for research use only. It is not intended for diagnostic procedures.

### **5. Procedure**

5.1 Weigh 0.5 g of ground grain or flour samples to 20 mL glass vial.

5.2 Add 10 mL of deionized water to samples (1:20 dilution).

5.3 Vortex vigorously for 10 – 15 seconds and put samples on rotator or shaker at 40 rpm or 50% speed for 10 minutes.

5.4 Remove from rotator or shaker and allow the sample to settle for at least 2 minutes.

5.5 Transfer 1.5 to 2 mL of the supernatant to an appropriately labeled microcentrifuge vial.

5.6 Centrifuge for 5 minutes at ~8000 x g. Make sure the centrifuge is properly balanced.

- 5.7 Add 800  $\mu$ L of ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate Sample Diluent to an appropriately labeled 4 mL glass vial. Add 200  $\mu$ L of the supernatant (from 5.6) to the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate Diluent in the vial (1:5 dilution). Vortex.
- 5.8 Derivatize the sample according to Section D Test Preparation in step 7 of *Derivatization of Standards, Control and Samples* instructions of the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Glyphosate ELISA kit.
- 5.9 Perform assay as noted in Section F Assay Procedure instructions provided in the kit.

## 6. Evaluation of Results

The ELISA results must be multiplied by a factor of 100 to account for the necessary dilution. Samples showing a concentration lower than Standard 1 (0.075 ppb) should be reported as < 7.5 ppb of Glyphosate. Samples showing a higher concentration than Standard 5 (4.0 ppb) can be reported as > 400 ppb or diluted further and re-analyzed to obtain an accurate quantitative result.

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