Title: Analytical Method for the Analysis of FMC 54800 Residues in/on Cottonseed

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ABSTRACT:

A routine residue method for the analysis of FMC 54800 residues in/on ginned cottonseed has been developed. The method involved an initial acetone extraction, a hexane/water partition and cleanup by gel permeation and Florisil® column chromatography prior to analysis by capillary gas chromatography using a $^{63}$Ni electron capture detector.

Method sensitivity was determined to be 0.05 ppm and method detectability was estimated to be 0.01 ppm. Average method recovery was 74±8%.

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I.  INTRODUCTION

An analytical method for the routine determination of FMC 54800 residues in/on ginned cottonseed has been developed. This method has been validated utilizing fortifications of untreated ginned cottonseed samples.

II.  ANALYTICAL METHOD

A schematic diagram of the analytical procedure is shown in Figure 1.

FIGURE 1

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE

Acetone Blend

2.0 g Aliquot
+ 25 ml Hexane

H₂O Partition

GPC

Florisil

GC/ECD
A. Apparatus

Automatic Liquid Sampler, Hewlett-Packard 7672A
Autoprep 1001® GPC, ABC Laboratories
Bio Beads® S-X3, Bio Rad Laboratories
Chromatographic column, 15 mm o.d. x 175 mm, 50 ml reservoir
Gas Chromatograph, Hewlett-Packard 5840
Fused Silica Capillary Column, 530 µ coated with methyl silicone,
Hewlett-Packard
Hobart Food Processor
63N1 Electron Capture Detector, Hewlett-Packard 18803B
Standard laboratory glassware and equipment
Waring Blender

B. Reagents

Acetone, Distilled in Glass®, Burdick and Jackson
Analytical Standards, FMC Corporation, Agricultural Chemical Group,
Princeton, NJ
Cyclohexane, Distilled in Glass, Burdick and Jackson
Florisi1®, PR Grade 60/100 mesh, Floridin Co.
Hexane, Nanograde®, Mallinckrodt
Methylene Chloride, Distilled in Glass, Burdick and Jackson
Methyl t-Butyl Ether, Distilled in Glass, Burdick and Jackson
Sodium Chloride, Reagent Grade
Sodium Sulfate, anhydrous, Reagent Grade
Water, Deionized

C. Procedure

Sample Preparation

The cottonseed samples were macerated by using a Hobart Meat
Grinder. Dry ice was added as needed to keep the sample cold.
Macerated samples were stored at -18°C until analysis.

Extraction

A 20 g subsample of macerated crop was weighed into a 1 qt blending
jar and blended for 5 minutes with 200 ml of acetone. The
sample was filtered through a Buchner suction funnel lined with
Whatman GF/A glass fiber filter paper. The blending jar and
filter cake were rinsed with 50 ml of acetone and the rinse added
to the filtrate. The filtrate was transferred to a graduated
cylinder and the volume was adjusted to 250 ml.

Partition

A 2 g sample aliquot (25 ml) was transferred to a 250 ml separa-
tory funnel and 25 ml of hexane, ca 25 g salt and 50 ml deionized
water were added to the sample. The sample was shaken for one
minute and the phases allowed to separate. The lower, aqueous
phase was transferred to a second separatory funnel and extracted
with 50 ml of hexane. The hexane fractions were dried by passing through a bed of anhydrous sodium sulfate and combined in a 250 ml Phillips beaker. The sample was concentrated on a warm steam bath under a gentle stream of nitrogen to ca 1 ml, transferred to a 13 ml graduated centrifuge tube using cyclohexane/methylene chloride (85/15, v/v) as the transfer solvent and the volume adjusted to 10.0 ml.

**Gel Permeation Column Cleanup - Autoprep 1001 GPC**

The Autoprep 1001 GPC is an automated gel permeation column cleanup system. Twenty-three samples can be loaded into sample loops (each with a 5.0 ml capacity) at one time and the system programmed to sequentially elute each sample through the column, discarding and collecting the appropriate fractions from the column eluate. Operating conditions for the Autoprep 1001 GPC are described below:

**Column:**
25 mm i.d. x 300 mm glass packed with ca 50 g Bio-Beads S-X3 (200/400 mesh) compressed to a bed length of 240 mm with a Kontes organic solvent plunger assembly

**Solvent System:**
Cyclohexane/Methylene Chloride (85/15, v/v)

**Flow Rate:**
3.6 ml/min

**Dump Time:**
20 min

**Collect Time:**
8 min

**Wash Time:**
5 min

Approximately 8 ml of the sample from the partition step was injected into the sample introduction valve of the Autoprep 1001. Excess solvent (over 5.0 ml) was automatically discarded by the sample loop system. Each of the individual samples was loaded into the system and the last loop loaded with 5.0 ml of the cyclohexane/methylene chloride (85/15) solvent mixture. The appropriate parameters were set on the control panel of the instrument and the Autostart button engaged. The fractions of the column eluate containing FMC 54800 residues were collected in 125 ml Phillips beakers. The "dump" and "wash" fractions were collected in a waste reservoir attached to the instrument.

The column eluates containing FMC 54800 residues were concentrated on a steam bath under a gentle stream of nitrogen to a volume of 2-3 ml.
Florisil Column Cleanup

A 15 mm o.d. x 175 mm chromatographic column was packed with 4.0 g of activated Florisil (activated by drying in a 105°C oven for 16 hrs). The Florisil was capped with a 0.5 inch layer of anhydrous sodium sulfate. In preparing this column, the narrow stem of the chromatographic column was packed with glass wool to reduce the flow rate of the column eluate. Also the column had hexane in it when adding the Florisil to insure an even, air-free bed of packing.

The sample was transferred to the column using two 5 ml hexane rinses. The column was allowed to elute to the top of the packing between each addition of the solvent. The column was then eluted with 35 ml hexane/methyl t-butyl ether (9/1, v/v) which was collected in a 125 ml Phillips beaker. The sample was concentrated on a steam bath under a gentle stream of nitrogen to 2-3 ml. The sample was transferred to a centrifuge tube with hexane and concentrated in a warm water bath to 2.0 ml for glc analysis.

Gas-Liquid Chromatography (GLC)

Samples were analyzed on a Hewlett-Packard 5840A Gas Chromatograph equipped with a 63Ni electron capture detector and a Hewlett-Packard 7672A Automatic Liquid Sampler. Operating conditions are described below:

Column: 10 meter x 530 μ fused silica capillary column coated with methyl silicone (Hewlett-Packard)

Injector Temp.: 250°C
Column Oven Temp.: 245°C
Detector Temp.: 350°C
Carrier Gas Flow (He): 3.0 ml/min
Detector Make Up Flow (N2): 29 ml/min

Using the above parameters, FMC 54800 elutes as a single peak with a retention time of ca 15.0 minutes.

III. QUANTITATION

Sample analysis was automated by using a Hewlett-Packard 7672A Automatic Liquid Sampler. Quantitation of residues was automatically performed by peak area integration and comparison to external standard calibrations. By using the appropriate
dilution factor for the sample size injected, results of each analysis were reported on a ppm (µg/g) basis. By using a run programming mode, external standard calibrations were constantly updated during the analysis of each series of samples. In practice, standards were analyzed following every two or three samples and the results of each standard analysis were averaged with the results of previous standard analyses to obtain updated calibration information for subsequent sample analyses. The following standards were used for quantitation:

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<th>Concentration</th>
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<td>48-4 or 48-6</td>
<td>50 pg/µl</td>
<td>Toluene</td>
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<td>48-5</td>
<td>20 pg/µl</td>
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<td>48-3</td>
<td>100 pg/µl</td>
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IV. ANALYTICAL LIMITS

Method sensitivity was determined by fortifying and recovering FMC 54800 from untreated crop samples. Method sensitivity was 0.05 ppm. Method detectability was 0.01 ppm for cottonseed analyses.

V. FORTIFICATION RECOVERIES

Untreated cottonseed was spiked with FMC 54800 prior to the addition of solvent in the initial blend extraction. A fortification solution of FMC 54800 in ethanol (10 ng/µl, Sol. No. 48-1) was used for this purpose. Individual recovery data is shown in Table 1, page 7.

VI. SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that this study was performed under our supervision according to the procedures herein described, and that this report provides a true and accurate record of the results obtained.

AUTHOR: [Signature] DATE: 11/14/84

TITLE: Senior Chemist

SUPERVISOR: [Signature] DATE: 11/14/84

TITLE: Manager, Western Development
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Average ± Standard Deviation 74±8
## VII. CHROMATOGRAMS

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FIGURE 2 - Standard

HP RUN # 4  JUL/24/84  TIME 16:49:09
BOTTLE 4  ESTD
RT  EXP RT  AREA  CAL #  AMT
15.35  15.20  82000  (R) 1  0.102
DIL FACTOR: 1.0000 E+ 0

FIGURE 3 - Cottonseed, Untreated

HP RUN # 2  JUL/24/84  TIME 16:02:09
BOTTLE 2
NO PEAKS IN WDOS
RT  AREA  AREA %
8.66  90220  100.000
DIL FACTOR: 1.0000 E+ 0
FIGURE 4 - Cottonseed, Untreated + 0.05 ppm

HP RUN 1  3  JUL/24/84  TIME 16:25:33
BOTTLE 3  ESTD

\[ \text{RT} \quad \text{EXP RT} \quad \text{AREA} \quad \text{CAL #} \quad \text{AMT} \n\]
\[
15.30 15.20 30090 (R) 1 0.037
\]

DIL FACTOR: 1.0000 E+0

FIGURE 5 - Cottonseed, Treated

HP RUN 1  5  JUL/24/84  TIME 18:13:16
BOTTLE 5  ESTD

\[ \text{RT} \quad \text{EXP RT} \quad \text{AREA} \quad \text{CAL #} \quad \text{AMT} \n\]
\[
15.39 15.27 39358 (R) 1 0.047
\]

DIL FACTOR: 1.0000 E+0