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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a method for the determination of vitamin B₆ in foodstuffs by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC). Vitamin B₆ is the mass fraction of the sum of pyridoxine, pyridoxal, pyridoxamine including their phosphorylated derivatives determined as pyridoxine. The β -glycosylated forms are not taken into account. These can be determined with the method given in EN 14663 [1] by which the different vitamers of vitamin B₆ (pyridoxal, pyridoxamine and pyridoxine) are separated and individually quantified. A third European Standard (EN 14166¹) [2] determines the total vitamin B₆ by microbiological assay.

2 Normative references

The following referenced document is indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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

3 Principle

Pyridoxal, pyridoxamine and pyridoxine are extracted from food by acid hydrolysis and dephosphorylated enzymatically using acid phosphatase.

By reaction with glyoxylic acid in the presence of Fe²⁺ as a catalyst, pyridoxamine is transformed into pyridoxal, which is then reduced to pyridoxine by the action of sodium borohydride in alkaline medium. Pyridoxine is then quantified in the sample solution by HPLC with a fluorometric detection [3], [4].

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 double distilled water.

4.2 Chemicals and solutions

4.2.1 Acid phosphatase, (CAS 9001-77-8), from potatoes, enzyme activity is 33 nkat/mg²⁾ with substrate p-nitrophenyl phosphate at pH = 4,8 and T = 37 °C, for example from Boehringer or Sigma³⁾. 33 nkat/mg corresponds to 2 U/mg.

4.2.1.1 Acid phosphatase solution

Prepare a solution of 20 mg/ml acid phosphatase in sodium acetate solution (4.2.14).

¹ Under elaboration.

²⁾ Katal (symbol "kat") is a derived SI unit of enzyme activity. One katal is that catalytic activity which will raise the rate of reaction by one mol/s in a specified assay system.

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