Instructions of 18 Natural Amino Acids Analysis with HPLC by Phenylisothiocyanate (PITC) Pre-column Derivatization Method

Column: Diamonsil AAA 250×4.6 mm , 5 μm (Cat.#: 99751)

Mobile Phase A: 0.05 mol/L sodium acetate (adjusted to pH=6.50±0.05

with glacial acetic acid)

Mobile Phase B: Methanol : Acetonitrile : H₂O=20 : 60 : 20(v/v/v)

Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min

Detector: UV 254 nm

Column Temp: 45 $^{\circ}$ C Injection Volume: 10 μ L

Sample Solution: Pipetted 200 µL mixed solution(19 Natural Amino Acids

+NH $_3$; concentration of Amino Acids is 2.0 mmol/L, excepted concentration of Cystine is 1.0 mmol/L) and derivatization solution(100 μ L 1 mol/L triethylamine-ACN solution+100 μ L 0.2 mol/L PITC-ACN solution) into a 1.5 mL centrifuge tube, mixed thoroughly and reacted for 1 h at ambient temperature. Then added 400 μ L n-hexane and shaked gently for 5-10 s, rested for a while, pipetted 200 μ L lower solution and mixed with 800 μ L H $_2$ O, filtered

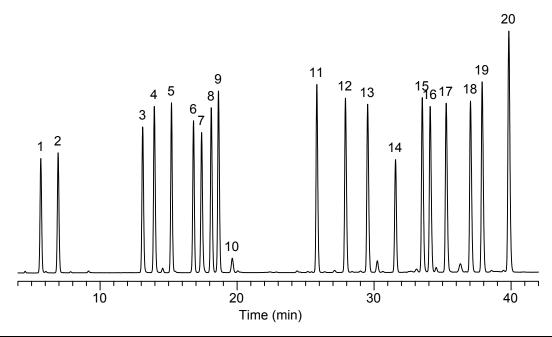
with 0.22 µm syringe filter.

Gradient Procedures

| Time/min | 0 | 39 | 40 | 45 | 46 | 60 |
|----------|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|
| A/% | 95 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 95 | 95 |
| B/% | 5 | 48 | 100 | 100 | 5 | 5 |

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HPLC Chromatogram for 18 Natural Amino Acids, Norleucine and other compounds



| 1 Aspartate | 2 Glutamate | 3 Serine | 4 Glycine |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|
| 5 Histidine | 6 Arginine | 7 Threonine | 8 Alanine |
| 9 Proline | 10 NH ₃ | 11 Tyrosine | 12 Valine |
| 13 Methionine | 14 Cystine | 15 Isoleucine Ile | 16 Leucine |
| 17 Norleucine | 18 Phenylalanine | 19 Tryptophan | 20 Lysine |

Notes

1 Pretreatment

Firstly, successively using 60 mL 15% methanol aqueous and methanol to wash the HPLC system with flow rate 0.5-1.0 mL/min.

Secondly, connecting the Diamonsil AAA column with HPLC system, then, respectively using 30 mL methanol and 15 mL 15% methanol aqueous to wash the whole system with flow rate 0.5-1.0 mL/min.

Thirdly, balancing the whole system with mobile phase until the baseline is stable.

- 2 After working, respectively using 30 mL 15% methanol aqueous and methanol to wash the whole system with flow rate 0.5-1.0 mL/min.
- 3 Must keep room temperature at 25 $^{\circ}$ C.