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Cover Picture



This paper reports the use of chemometric techniques employed for discrimination of cancer samples based on mass spectra data sets. The artwork shows a representative mass spectrum with colors referring to two different classes and a scatter plot showing its discrimination in a three-dimensional aspect. In the background, a DNA molecule due to its importance for cancer differentiation. Details are presented in the Article **Principal Component Analysis with Linear and Quadratic Discriminant Analysis for Identification of Cancer Samples Based on Mass Spectrometry** by *Camilo L. M. Morais and Kássio M. G. Lima* on page 472.

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435 1,2,4- and 1,3,4-Oxadiazoles as Scaffolds in the Development of Antiparasitic Agents Paulo Pitasse-Santos, Vitor Sueth-Santiago and Marco E. F. Lima

Graphical Abstract This review focuses on the importance of 1,2,4- and 1,3,4-oxadiazole cores in the design of new antiparasitic drugs. Here are highlighted the synthetic methodologies for their preparation as well as physicochemical differences between the isomers and their binding properties with biological receptors.



Articles



A Novel Nanofibrous Film Chemosensor for Detecting and Adsorbing Fe³⁺ Chen Zhou, Yinan Zhang and Heng Liu

SI online

Fe



Graphical Abstract Recognition of the nanofibrous film chemosensor for Fe³⁺ by decrease of fluorescence.

463 Effects of a Diet Supplemented with Japanese Grape (Hovenia dulcis) Seed Oil on the Omega-3 and Nutritional Lipid Quality in Nile Tilapia (Oreochromis niloticus) Marina Oliveira, Ricardo P. Ribeiro, Michele C. da Silva,

Paula F. Montanher, Fabiana Carbonera, Jesuí V. Visentainer and Liane Maldaner

Graphical Abstract

Japanese grape seed oil (JGSO) is rich in alpha-linolenic acid (LNA) and was used to prepare supplemented diets for Nile tilapia. The replacement of soybean oil with JGSO in the prepared diets raises the nutritional lipid quality of the freshwater fish.





Principal Component Analysis with Linear and Quadratic **Discriminant Analysis for Identification of Cancer Samples** Sased on Mass Spectrometry

SI online Camilo L. M. Morais and Kássio M. G. Lima

Graphical Abstract

Principal component analysis with linear discriminant analysis (PCA-LDA) and quadratic discriminant analysis (PCA-QDA) were applied for discrimination between healthy control and cancer samples (ovarian and prostate cancer) based on mass spectra data sets.



Simultaneous Determination of Different Phenolic Compounds Using Electrochemical Biosensor and Multivariate Calibration Renata K. Mendes, Marcos V. C. Dantas, Alessandra B. SI online Nogueira, Augusto Etchegaray, Paulo R. Filgueiras and Ronei J. Poppi

Graphical Abstract

A biosensor based on tyrosinase immobilized onto iron magnetic nanoparticles was successfully used for the simultaneous determination of two phenolic compounds after data analysis and chemometric treatment.



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490 The Dichromate Method versus the Photoelectrochemical Method: the Synergistic Influence of Turbidity and Chlorides on Chemical Oxygen Demand Analysis Gabriel O. Quintana, Enelton Fagnani, Fernando P. Candello and José R. Guimarães







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Fine and Coarse Aerosol at Rio de Janeiro prior to the Olympic **Games: Chemical Composition and Source Apportionment** Maria Luíza D. P. Godoy, Ana C. Almeida, Gisele B. Tonietto SI online and José Marcus Godoy

Graphical Abstract Aerosol sampler installed at Tijuca sampling station, showing both EPA design PM₁₀ inlets, one for elemental analysis (left) and the other for carbon determination (right).





Sl online Márcia N. S. de la Cruz, Helvécio M. dos Santos Júnior, Denilson F. Oliveira and Claudia M. Rezende

Antimicrobial Diterpene from the Brazilian Termite Nasutitermes macrocephalus (Isoptera: Termitidae:

Graphical Abstract A new trinervitane diterpene isolated from termite soldiers (Nasutitermes macrocephalus) presented antimicrobial activities against S. aureus and C. albicans.



528 A Novel Sensitive Bulk Optode Based on 5-Br Salophen as an Ionophore for Determination of Zinc Ion in Real Samples Elham Alian, Abolfazl Semnani, Alireza Firooz and Mahboube Shirani



Graphical Abstract The decrease of the concentration of 5-Br salophen in presence of Zn²⁺ in organic phase leads to an optical sensor, in which the mechanism is described by ion-exchange.

535 Simultaneous Determination of Kaempferide, Kaempferol and Isorhamnetin in Rat Plasma by Ultra-High Performance Liquid Chromatography-Tandem Mass Spectrometry and its Application to a Pharmacokinetic Study

Zhitao Jiang, Jianchun Wang, Xiaofeng Chen, Xue Wang, Tongfang Wang, Zhitao Zhu and Jinhuo Pan

Graphical Abstract

The mean plasma concentration-time curves after an oral administration of *Sedum sarmentosum* Bunge extract are shown. The data conformed to a two-compartment, first-order pharmacokinetic model.



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Photoluminescence of Solvent-Selected Fluorescent Moieties in MEH-PPV Solutions and Films

Antonio C. C. Ribeiro, Henrique S. Camargo, Douglas H. SI online Pereira, Rogério Custódio and Tatiana D. Martins

Graphical Abstract

The photophysical behavior of poly[2-methoxy-5-(2-ethylhexyloxy)-1,4-phenylenevinylene] (MEH-PPV) is morphology-dependent in both solution and film form: the preparation method influences the exciton distribution.



560 Development of a Novel Mixed Titanium, Silver Oxide Polyacrylonitrile Nanofiber as a Superior Adsorbent and its Application for MB Removal in Wastewater Treatment Zhiqun Xu, Congcong Wei, Jiali Jin, Wenkai Xu, Qiao Wu, Junjie Gu, Minrui Ou and Xiaoping Xu



Graphical Abstract

Development of a novel mixed titanium, silver oxide nanofiber as a superior adsorbent for dyes removal in the wastewater treatment.

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571 Determination of Chlorine in Crude Oil Emulsified via the MgCl Molecule by HR-CS MAS Izabel K. S. Oliveira, Rina L. S. Medeiros, Djalma R. Silva and

Tatiane A. Maranhão



- **Graphical Abstract** Chlorine present in crude oil is an important cause of problems related to corrosion and damage to equipment. This paper describes the development of a method for chlorine determination in crude oil samples through MgCl diatomic molecule by high-resolution continuum source molecular absorption spectrometry (HR-CS MAS).
- 579 Ultrasound-Assisted Saponification Coupled with Gas Chromatography-Flame Ionization Detection for the Determination of Phytosterols from Passion Fruit Seed Oil Eliza M. Rotta, Michele C. da Silva, Liane Maldaner and Jesuí V. Visentainer
 - **Graphical Abstract** A method based on ultrasound-assisted saponification (UAS) was proposed to determine phytosterols in passion fruit seed oil. The optimized UAS method extracted higher phytosterol concentrations and was about 3.3 times faster than the conventional saponification method.



587 Screening and Binding Analysis of Flavonoids with Alpha-Amylase Inhibitory Activity from Lotus Leaf Liping Liao, Jing Chen, Liangliang Liu and Aiping Xiao



- **Graphical Abstract** Centrifugal ultrafiltration combined with liquid chromatography was used
 - to screen alpha-amylase inhibitors from ten flavonoids mixture and the binding degrees ranged from 2.34 to 94.1%.

Effect of Dy³⁺ Amount on the Structural and Luminescence Properties of LaNbO4:Dy3+ Phosphor Obtained by One-Step

chromaticity coordinates fit the National Television Standard Committee

(NTSC) standard values.

Gabriela S. Freiria, Amanda L. Ribeiro, Marc Verelst,

Eduardo J. Nassar and Lucas A. Rocha

Spray Pyrolysis Process





(HPLC-UV-Vis).

609 N-Acetyl-cysteine Increases Chemical Stability of Hydroquinone in Pharmaceutical Formulations: a Theoretical and Experimental Approach Rosivaldo S. Borges, Fernanda M. Costa, Tiago L. Pereira, Renata L. Araújo, Eduardo D. Almeida and

Albérico B. F. da Silva

Graphical Abstract

Chemical stability of hydroquinone (a) is compared to kojic (b). The hydroquinone was the most reactive. Its oxidation was inhibited more by *N*-acetylcysteine (d) than ascorbic acid (c).

615 Evaluation of Oxidative Stress in Patients with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia: Experimental Evidence of the Efficacy of MDA as Cancer Biomarker in Young Patients Mariana B. Almeida, Emanuel Carrilho and Suzana L. Nixdorf

Graphical Abstract

Malondialdehyde (MDA) efficacy as a cancer biomarker in acute lymphoid leukemia (ALL) that affects young patients was experimentally evidenced. Biochemical parameter charts associating with MDA contents, determined by high performance liquid chromatography, applying chemometric tools, allowed correlating risk stratification and assist in the disease diagnosis.





Antifungal Polyketides and Other Compounds from Amazonian Endophytic *Talaromyces* Fungi

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Graphical Abstract

Talaromyces fungi were isolated from Amazonian plants. From the antimicrobial extracts, 13 compounds were isolated and fully characterized by spectroscopic methods. Among the isolated compounds, polyketides, maleic anhydrides, and steroids were obtained, including two new compounds. The antifungal evaluation of the isolated compounds is described herein.



Talaromyces sp.



Quality Assessment of Omega-3 Supplements Available in the **Brazilian Market**

🔀 Marília B. Galuch, Fabiana Carbonera, Thiago F. S. Magon, Sl online Roberta da Silveira, Patrícia D. S. dos Santos, Jessica S. Pizzo, Oscar O. Santos and Jesuí V. Visentainer

Graphical Abstract Fish oil omega-3 supplements are eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA) sources. However, fish oil is expensive raw material and its adulteration is common, especially with addition of edible oils with low cost, such as soybean oil. This study estimated the Brazilian reality regarding those supplements.





Synthesis, Antibacterial and Antitubercular Evaluation of Cardanol and Glycerol-Based β-Amino Alcohol Derivatives Bhaskar R. Manda, Avvari N. Prasad, Narendar R. Thatikonda,

SI online Valdemar Lacerda Jr., Layla R. Barbosa, Heloa Santos, Wanderson Romão, Fernando R. Pavan, Camila M. Ribeiro, Edson A. dos Santos, Maria R. Marques, Dênis P. de Lima, Ana C. Micheletti and Adilson Beatriz

Graphical Abstract Herein we provide a simple and efficient approach for the synthesis of amino alcohols by using cardanol and glycerol building blocks with amines under catalyst-free and mild conditions. Some of these synthesized compounds exhibited significant antimicrobial activity against S. aureus and M. tuberculosis.



649 Novel Chemical Route for Deposition of Cu₂ZnSnS₄ **Photovoltaic Absorbers** Gerardo Gordillo, Raul A. Becerra and Clara L. Calderón

Graphical Abstract

Solar cells with efficiencies of 4.9% were fabricated using a Cu₂ZnSnS₄ absorber layer synthesized following a novel chemical route based on the membrane assisted chemical bath deposition (CBD) technique.





In-House Validation of HPLC-MS/MS Methods for Detection and Quantification of Tetracyclines in Edible Tissues and Feathers of Broiler Chickens

SI online Ekaterina V. Pokrant, Aldo E. Maddaleno, Carolina E. Araya, Betty V. San Martín and Javiera Cornejo

> **Graphical Abstract** An in-house validation of methods was used for determination of tetracyclines in chicken feather, muscle and liver tissues, through high-performance liquid chromatography coupled with tandem mass spectrometry (HPLC-MS/MS).



Additions and Corrections

669 Nano-Detoxification of Organophosphate Agents by PAMAM Derivatives Esteban F. Durán-Lara, Fabian Ávila-Salas, Sebastian Galaz, Amalraj John, Adolfo Maricán, Margarita Gutiérrez,

Fabiane M. Nachtigall, Fernando D. Gonzalez-Nilo and Leonardo S. Santos