

Supplementary Information

HPLC-FLD Simultaneous Determination of 13 Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons: Validation of an Analytical Procedure for Soybean Oils

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Table S1. Comparison of the evaluated solid phase extraction (SPE) cartridges

Sorbent	Producer	Sorbent mass / mg, column volume / mL	Porous / Å	Endcapped	Carbon loading / %
BondElut	Varian	500, 3	60	yes	17.0
AccuBond ^{II} ODS C18	Agilent	500, 3	60	yes	19.0
AccuBond ^{II} ODS C18	Agilent	1000, 6	60	yes	18.0
Strata C18-E	Phenomenex	500, 3	64	yes	17.1
Chromabond ec C18	Macherey-Nagel	500, 3	60	yes	14.0

Table S2. Parameters tested during the optimization of the extraction conditions

Parameters	Variable	Best condition
Conditioning solvent	methanol, dimethylformamide, water	dimethylformamide
Rinse solvent	methanol, methanol-water, water, dimethylformamide-water	dimethylformamide-water
Elution solvent	hexane, cyclohexane	hexane
Flow rate	6, 4 and 2 mL min ⁻¹	2 mL min ⁻¹
Cartridge drying step	10, 15 and 20 min	20 min
Eluent volume	4, 8 and 10 mL	10 mL

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Table S3. Recoveries (%) of the studied PAHs (mean value \pm standard deviation) from soybean oils

PAH	Recovery / % (mean \pm RSD, n = 3)		
	Spiked level: 0.5 $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	Spiked level: 1.0 $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	Spiked level: 5.0 $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$
B[a]A	91 \pm 3.1	94 \pm 5.4	93 \pm 3.8
Chy	82 \pm 6.3	88 \pm 11.2	85 \pm 2.8
5MeChy	115 \pm 8.4	109 \pm 1.5	107 \pm 2.1
B[j]F	81 \pm 2.5	85 \pm 2.7	88 \pm 2.9
B[b]F	85 \pm 4.7	82 \pm 1.2	84 \pm 3.7
B[k]F	81 \pm 3.6	84 \pm 1.6	81 \pm 2.2
B[a]P	102 \pm 3.8	102 \pm 2.5	98 \pm 6.5
D[a]P	71 \pm 11.9	88 \pm 4.7	87 \pm 3.9
D[ah]A	106 \pm 1.9	97 \pm 3.2	95 \pm 4.1
Indeno	73 \pm 8.4	77 \pm 5.9	71 \pm 3.3
D[ae]P	94 \pm 3.1	91 \pm 6.7	98 \pm 1.0
D[ai]P	61 \pm 4.7	66 \pm 1.2	63 \pm 4.2
D[ah]P	92 \pm 2.0	96 \pm 6.3	94 \pm 1.1

B[a]A: benzo[a]anthracene; Chy: chrysene; 5MeChy: 5-methylchrysene; B[j]F: benzo[j]fluoranthene; B[b]F: benzo[b]fluoranthene; B[k]F: benzo[k]fluoranthene; B[a]P: benzo[a]pyrene; D[a]P: dibenzo[a,l]pyrene; D[ah]A: dibenzo[a,h]anthracene; indeno: indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene; D[ae]P: dibenzo[a,e]pyrene; D[ai]P: dibenzo[a,i]pyrene; D[ah]P: dibenzo[a,h]pyrene; RSD: relative standard deviation.

Table S4. Intra- and inter-day precision data for the extraction of PAHs from soybean oils

PAH	Intra-day precision (n = 3, mean)						Inter-day precision (n = 9, mean)	
	Day 1		Day 2		Day 3		Days 1, 2 and 3	
	Content / $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	RSD / %	Content / $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	RSD / %	Content / $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	RSD / %	Content / $\mu\text{g kg}^{-1}$	RSD / %
B[a]A	1.23	2.15	1.17	1.30	1.22	2.87	1.21	2.66
Chy	1.11	6.76	1.12	6.82	1.06	4.32	1.10	2.92
5MeChy	1.39	4.31	1.34	4.16	1.42	1.40	1.38	2.93
B[j]F	1.12	5.45	1.23	1.62	1.10	2.41	1.15	6.09
B[b]F	1.02	5.39	0.96	3.13	1.04	2.54	1.01	4.12
B[k]F	1.04	1.47	1.11	2.90	1.01	1.98	1.05	4.88
B[a]P	1.22	1.42	1.22	2.06	1.23	1.24	1.22	0.47
D[a]P	1.08	8.83	1.06	4.99	1.06	3.81	1.07	1.08
D[ah]A	1.18	2.13	1.15	3.98	1.13	1.35	1.15	2.19
Indeno	0.95	3.79	1.02	2.99	0.94	3.73	0.97	4.49
D[ae]P	1.08	5.78	1.15	5.24	1.09	4.61	1.11	3.41
D[ai]P	0.88	3.68	0.90	5.19	0.98	7.52	0.92	5.75
D[ah]P	1.19	3.97	1.22	2.06	1.16	4.42	1.19	2.52

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Table S5. Statistical parameters of the calibration equations of individual PAHs

PAH	Concentration range / $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$	Slope (a) $\times 10^{8a}$	Intercept (b) $\times 10^{4a}$	R ^{2a}
B[a]A	0.0005-0.05	2.83	-1.06	0.9994
Chy	0.0005-0.05	2.47	-5.21	0.9994
5MeChy	0.0005-0.05	3.66	-2.54	0.9998
B[j]F	0.001-0.25	0.06	-0.04	0.9999
B[b]F	0.0005-0.05	1.18	-3.41	0.9993
B[k]F	0.0005-0.05	5.85	-4.80	0.9990
B[a]P	0.0005-0.05	5.24	8.28	0.9998
D[al]P	0.0005-0.05	1.59	-1.56	0.9993
D[ah]A	0.0005-0.05	1.68	-8.29	0.9984
Indeno	0.001-0.25	0.28	-3.28	0.9997
D[ae]P	0.0005-0.05	3.60	-9.43	0.9999
D[ai]P	0.0005-0.05	1.23	-0.52	0.9967
D[ah]P	0.0005-0.05	1.20	-1.31	0.9993

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Table S6. Limits of detection (LOD) and quantification (LOQ) of the studied PAHs

PAH	LOD	LOQ
B[a]A	0.03	0.05
Chy	0.02	0.03
5MeChy	0.16	0.27
B[j]F	0.39	0.65
B[b]F	0.20	0.35
B[k]F	0.16	0.25
B[a]P	0.16	0.25
D[al]P	0.12	0.20
D[ah]A	0.15	0.24
Indeno	0.54	0.90
D[ae]P	0.07	0.12
D[ai]P	0.10	0.25
D[ah]P	0.76	0.96

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