Analysis of Sulfite in Disposable Wooden Chopsticks (SI-35 4D)

Please use this column with suppressor type ion chromatography system.

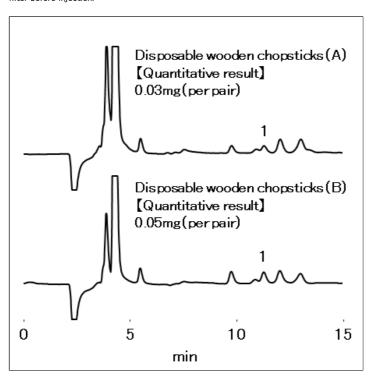
The concentration of sulfur dioxide or sulfite in a pair of disposable wooden chopsticks was decided ≥4 mg(sulfur dioxide equivalent) in Shoku–An No.1113001 (November 13, 2007) of Department of Food Safety, Pharmaceutical and Food Safety Bureau, MHLW. After preparing disposable wooden chopsticks according to the offial method, sulfite was analyzed using a column for anions analysis, IC SI–35 4D.

Preparation of Sample

Pour 25 mL of water into the stoppered test tube (25 mL) and warm it to $95^{\circ}\,$ C.

Cut one disposable wooden chopstick into two pieces, soak the peices in heated water $(95^{\circ}\ C)$ for 30 minutes, and then remove from the solution.

After the solution cooled downm, dilute 5 mL of the cooled solution with 20 mL of water and filter using a $0.45\,\mu$ m membrane filter before injection.



Sample : $50 \,\mu$ L 1. $\mathrm{SO_3}^{2-}$

Column : Shodex IC SI-35 4D (4.0mmI.D. x 150mm)

Eluent : $3.2\text{mM} \text{ Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + 1.9\text{mM} \text{ NaHCO}_3 \text{ aq.}$

Flow rate : 0.6mL/min

Detector : Suppressed conductivity

Column temp. : $40^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$