**Food Allergens**

**Veratox®**

**For Hazelnut Allergen**

**Intended Use**

Veratox for Hazelnut Allergen is used for the quantitative or qualitative analysis of hazelnut residues in food products such as cookies, crackers, chocolate bars, ice cream and cereals.

**The Test**

The test is a sandwich ELISA that provides exact concentrations in parts per million (ppm). Any present hazelnut residue is extracted from samples with a buffered salt solution (PBS) by shaking in a heated water bath, followed by centrifugation or filtration. Extracted hazelnut residue is sampled and added to antibody-coated wells (capture antibody). Any unbound residue is washed away and a second, enzyme-labeled antibody (detector antibody) is added. The detector antibody binds to the already bound hazelnut residue. After a second wash, the substrate is added. Color develops as a result of the presence of bound detector antibody. Red Stop reagent is added and the color of the resulting solution is observed. A microwell reader is used to yield optical densities. Control optical densities form a standard curve, and sample optical densities are plotted against the curve to calculate the exact concentration of hazelnut residue.

**The Procedure**

Samples must be extracted prior to testing,

1. Add 150 µL controls and samples to transfer wells.
2. Transfer 100 µL to the antibody wells. Incubate for 10 minutes.
3. Dump liquid from antibody wells.
4. Wash wells thoroughly with wash buffer. Tap out liquid on paper towel.
5. Transfer 100 µL conjugate from reagent boat to antibody wells using 12-channel pipettor. Incubate for 10 minutes.
6. Repeat steps 3-4 by dumping out the liquid, thoroughly washing the wells, and tapping dry.
7. Transfer 100 µL substrate from reagent boat to antibody wells using 12-channel pipettor. Incubate for 10 minutes.
8. Transfer 100 µL Red Stop from reagent boat to antibody wells.
9. Read results in a microwell reader.

See package insert for complete instructions

**Results**

controls | samples

**Product Specifications**

Range of quantitation: 2.5 ppm - 25 ppm
Controls provided: 0, 2.5, 5, 10 and 25 ppm hazelnut
Testing time: 30 minutes
Tests per kit: Up to 38

**Materials Recommended But Not Provided**

Available from Neogen®
1. Allergen Extraction Kit
2. Whatman #4 filters or equivalent
3. Graduated cylinder capable of measuring 125 mL
4. Scale capable of weighing 5 ± 0.1 g
5. Microwell reader with a 650 nm filter
6. 50-200 µL adjustable pipettor
7. 12-channel pipettor
8. Tips for adjustable and 12-channel pipettors
9. Timer
10. Microwell holder
11. Wash bottle
12. 3 reagent boats for use with 12-channel pipettor
13. 1 L bottle to prepare washing solution
14. 1 L heat safe bottle to prepare extract solution

Not available from Neogen
1. Shaker water bath capable of maintaining 60°C ± 1° with clamps to hold extraction bottles
2. Centrifuge (optional)
3. Paper towels or equivalent absorbent material
4. Distilled or deionized water
5. Waterproof marker

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