# **Certificate of Analysis**<sub>(Ver.2.0)</sub>

## Zearalenone in Acetonitrile

## 1. General information

This document is designed and the certified value(s) and uncertainty(ies) are determined in accordance with ISO Guide 31<sup>[1]</sup>.

## 2. Description of the Reference Material (RM)

Product name: Zearalenone in Acetonitrile

Product number: STD#4021

CAS number: 17924-92-4

Formula:  $C_{18}H_{22}O_5$ Formula weight: 318.36

Lot#: 2B00B28

Result concentration: 50.00± 0.70µg/mL

Starting material: Zearalenone ,lot#I19826J, Pribolab Pte. Ltd.

Matrix: Acetonitrile, LiChrosolv®, Merck

Amount: 1.2mL

Production date: 28,Feb,2022
Expiry date: 27,Aug,2023
Name of the supplier: Prbolab Pte. Ltd.

### 2.1 Intended use of the RM

- for laboratory use only

- calibration of analytical instruments

### 2.2 Instruction for the correct use of the RM

The compound should be stored at 2-8°C in a dark place. Before usage of the RM , the compound should be allowed to warm to temperature(20±3°C). The recommended minimum sub - sample amount for all kinds of application is 100  $\mu$ L. The expiry date of this RM is based on the current knowledge and holds only for proper storage conditions in the originally closed flasks/ packages.

#### 2.3 Hazardous situation

Acetonitrile

The normal laboratory safety precautions should be observed when working with this RM.Further details for the handing of this RM are available as safety data sheet.

Hazardous Ingredients Concentration in%

>99.9

Pictograms

Signal word

Hazard statement(s)

Danger

H225,H302,H312,H319,H332

CH<sub>3</sub>

## 3. Certified values and their uncertainties

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	Compound	Mass concentration <sup>a</sup>			
	Zearalenone	Certified value b	Uncertainty <sup>c</sup>		
		50.00μg/mL	±0.70µg/mL		
а	Mass concentration based on weighed amount ,purity and dilution steps				
b	Values are based on preparation data and confirmed experimentally by HPLC-DAD				
С	Expanded uncertainty U(k=2) of the value u <sub>c</sub> according to GUM <sup>[2]</sup>				

# 3.1 Calculation of uncertainty

After the concentration of the gravimetric prepared solution was confirmed by HPLC-DAD, the uncertainty of the calibrant was calculated on the basis of preparation<sup>[3]</sup>.

Uncertainty components	Description	Standard uncertain	Standard uncertainty <sub>(U)</sub>	
Purity(P)of solid Zearalenone	P=99.0±1.0%	u(P)=0.6%	а	
Weighing procedure Weighted sample: m <sub>ws</sub> =5.051mg	$U_{(m)}$ =0.0000008g+1.30*10 <sup>-5</sup> *m <sub>Toxin</sub> $u_{(m)}$ = $U_{(m)}$ /2	u <sub>(m)</sub> =0.0004mg	b	
Dilution procedure Volumetric flask :V <sub>f</sub> =100mL	calibration:100mL ± 0.1mL repeatability : 0.04mL volume expansion solvent	u(cal)=0.04mL u(rep)=0.04mL u(Vol.exp.1)=0.24mL u(v)=0.25mL	c d e f	

- a Maximum tolerance of purity was divided by  $\sqrt{3}$
- b Calculation of this u-value is based upon the uncertainty formula for the weighed amount as given in the calibration report from annual balance calibration
- c A triangular distribution(division by  $\sqrt{6}$  )was chosen for the calculation of u(cal)
- d Based on a series of ten fill and weigh experiments on a typical 100mL flask; the value was used directly as a standard deviation
- e Based on the density of 0.7857 g/cm³ at temperature T=20°C and a maximum temperature variation of  $\pm 3$ °C, of volume expansion, relative volume expansion coefficient of acetonitrile is 1370\*10-6/°C[7], volume expansion term(rectangular distribution) was divided by  $\sqrt{3}$
- f The three contributions are combined to give the u(V)=  $\sqrt{u(cal)^2 + u(rep)^2 + u(Vol.exp)^2}$

### Calculation of the combined uncertainty uc and the expanded standard uncertainty U

$$C_{Toxin} = \frac{10 \times m_{ws} \times P}{V_{f}} = \frac{10 \times 5.051 \times 99.0}{100} = 50.00 \text{ mg} / L$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{u}_{c}(C_{Toxin})}{\mathbf{c}_{Toxin}} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{u(P)}{P}\right]^{2} + \left[\frac{u(m)}{m_{ws}}\right]^{2} + \left[\frac{u(V)}{V_{f}}\right]^{2}} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{0.6}{99.0}\right]^{2} + \left[\frac{0.0004}{5.051}\right]^{2} + \left[\frac{0.25}{100}\right]^{2}} = 0.007$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{c}(C_{Toxin}) = C_{Toxin} \times 0.007 = 50.00 \times 0.007 = 0.35 mg / L$$

calculation of expanded standard uncertainty U using a coverage factor k=2

$$U(\mathbf{c}_{Toxin}) = u_c(\mathbf{c}_{Toxin}) \times 2 = 0.35 \times 2 = 0.70 \,\mu\text{g} / mL$$

# 4.Discussion of traceability

This calibrant is certified on the basis of gravimetric preparation<sup>[4]</sup>. Thus the certified value(mass concentration of Zearalenone is based on the weighed amount of the starting material and is therefore traceable to the stated purity of the solid raw material. High purity material represents a practical realization of concentration units, through conversion of mass to molar quantity.

# 5. Confirmation of certified value by HPLC-DAD

The certified concentration of Zearalenone of the gravimetric prepared solution was confirmed by HPLC-DAD against an independently prepared reference batch of Zearalenone.

column C<sub>18</sub>,250×4.6mm, 5µm injection Volume 20µL solvent Water/Acetonitrile (50/50) oven 25℃ flow rate 0.5mL/min, 238nm DAD settings Sample dilution 1:20 with Water/Acetonitrile (50/50) concentration a [µg/mL] time[min] Zearalenone 12.341 50.01 HPLC-DAD chromatogram of Zearalenone .

## 6. Further information

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