15 Flumequin



9-fluoro-6,7-dihydro-5-methyl-1-oxo-1*H*,5*H*-benzo[*ij*]quinolizine-2-carboxylic acid C₁₄H₁₂FNO₃ MW: 261.3 CAS No.: 42835-25-6

(Outline of flumequin **)**

Flumequin is one of synthetic quinolone antibacterials which had been used as a fisheries medicine for protection of pseudotuberculosis in fish species such as yellowtail and red sea bream. However, the permission was canceled in 2005, and is banned currently in our country.

[Methods listed in the Feed Analysis Standards] 1. Simultaneous analysis method of oxolinic acid and flumequin with a liquid chromatograph

[Feed Analysis Standards Chapter 8, Section 1, 15.1] Target chemicals: Oxolinic acid and flumequin (2 components)

A. Reagent preparation

- oxolinic acid standard stock solution^[1]: Place 10 mg of oxolinic acid [C₁₃H₁₁NO₅] exactly measured in a 100 mL volumetric flask, add 1 mL of sodium hydroxide solution (0.1 mol/L) and methanol, ultrasonically treat for dissolving, and further add methanol up to the gauge line to prepare the oxolinic acid standard stock solution (1 mL of this solution contains an amount of oxolinic acid equivalent to 0.1 mg).
- 2) Flumequin standard stock solution^[1]: Place 10 mg of flumequin (C₁₄H₁₂FNO₃) exactly measured in a 100 mL volumetric flask, add methanol for dissolving, and further add the solvent up to the gauge line to prepare the flumequin standard stock solution (1 mL of this solution contains an amount of flumequin equivalent to 0.1 mg).
- Mixed standard solution: Mix the definite amount of oxolinic acid and flumequin standard stock solutions, dilute exactly with water-methanol (7:3) to prepare several mixed standard solution containing respective amounts of oxolinic acid and flumequin equivalent to 0.01-5 μg/mL.
- 4) Solvent for elution: Add 2 mL of formic acid to 1,000 mL of acetonitrile-toluene (3:1).

B. Quantification

Extraction: Place 10.0g of the analysis sample measured in a stoppered 200 mL Erlenmeyer flask, add 20 mL of water and allow still standing for 30 min. Then, add 100 mL of 0.2 % metaphosphoric acid solution-acetonitrile (3:2), and mix them while shaking for 30 min for extraction. Place a 200 mL volumetric flask under a Buchner funnel, and filter the extracted solution with a paper filter (No. 5B) while suctioning. Then, wash that Erlenmeyer flask and the residue sequentially with 50 mL of 0.2 % metaphosphoric acid solution-acetonitrile (3:2), and filter the washings while suctioning in a similar way. Further, add 0.2 % metaphosphoric acid solution exactly in a 100 mL recovery flask, and add 10 mL of water to prepare a sample solution for column treatment.

Column treatment: Wash an octadecylsilylated silica-gel minicolumn (500 mg)^{Note 1} with 5 mL of acetonitrile and 5 mL of water. Place the sample solution in the minicolumn, and effuse with pressing injection^{Note 2} until the fluid level reaches the top of the packing material.

Connect a graphite carbon minicolumn (300 mg) ^{Note 3} previously washed with 5 mL of acetonitrile and 5 mL of water to the bottom of that minicolumn. Wash the recovery flask previously containing the sample solution 3 times with respective 5 mL of 0.2 v/v% formic acid solution-acetonitrile (1:1), add the washings sequentially to the column, flow down with pressing injection ^{Note 2} until the fluid level reaches the top of the packing material to transfer oxolinic acid and flumequin to the graphite carbon minicolumn.

Then, remove the octadecylsilylated silica-gel minicolumn, and place a 50 mL recovery flask under the graphite carbon minicolumn. Add 15 mL of elution solvent to the graphite carbon minicolumn to elute oxolinic acid and flumequin.

Concentrate the eluate with a water bath at 40 °C or lower under reduced pressure to approximately 1 mL of volume, and send nitrogen gas to obtain the dry matter. Add exactly 2 mL of water-methanol (7:3) to dissolve the residue, and filter the solution through a membrane filter (pore diameter: 0.45 μ m) to obtain a sample solution for liquid chromatography ^{Note 4}.

Liquid chromatography: Inject respective 10 mL of the sample solution and each mixed standard solution into a liquid chromatograph to obtain the chromatogram.

Measurement conditions (example)

Detector: Fluorescence detector (excitation wavelength: 325 nm, fluorescence wavelength: 365 nm)

Column: Octadecylsilylated silica-gel column (internal diameter: 4.6 mm, length: 150 mm, particle diameter: 5 μm)^{Note 5}

Eluent: 0.2 v/v% formic acid solution-methanol (7:3) \rightarrow 15 min \rightarrow (4:6) (5 min retention)

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Column temperature: 40 °C

Calculation: Obtain the peak area or height from the chromatogram^[2] to prepare the calibration curve, and calculate the amounts of the oxolinic acid and flumequin in the sample.

Note 1. InertSep SlimJ C18-B (GL Science) connected with a reservoir with appropriate volume,

or an equivalent one.

- 2 Flow rate is 1 mL/min. A suction manifold is also available.
- 3 InertSep GC (GL Science, reservoir volume: 6 mL) or an equivalent one.
- 4 Place the sample solution in a brown vial container.
- 5 L-column ODS (Chemicals Evaluation and Research Institute) or an equivalent one.

《Summary of analysis method**》**

This method is intended to determine the amount of oxolinic acid and flumequin in a feed, by extracting with acetonitrile containing metaphosphoric acid solution, and purifying with a C_{18} minicolumn and a graphite carbon minicolumn, and quantifying using a liquid chromatograph with a fluorescence detector.

A flow sheet the analysis method is shown in Fig. 8.2.1-1.

Sample: 10 g

----- Water: 20 mL, still standing for 30 min

- Fix the volume of 0.2 v/v% metaphosphoric acid solution acetonitrile(3:2) at 200 mL

Collect 4 mL of the sample solution (exactly)

InertSep SlimJ C18-B cartridge (previously washed with 5 mL of acetonitrile and 5 mL of water)

— Load the sample solution

Connect the InertSep GC cartridge (previously washed with 5 mL of acetonitrile and 5 mL of water) to the bottom of InertSep SlimJ C18-B cartridge

Connect to the bottom of InertSep SlimJ C18-B cartridge

----- Wash with 5 mL of 0.2 v/v% formic acid solution - acetonitrile(1:1) (3 times)

----- Remove the InertSep SlimJ C18-B cartridg

Elute with 15 mL of acetonitrile-toluene (3:1) (containing 0.2 v/v% formic acid)

---- Concentrate with reduced pressure (40 °C or lower), and dry with nitrogen gas

-2 mL of Water - methanol (7:3)

— Membrane filter (pore diameter: 0.45 μm)

LC-FL (Ex: 325 nm, Em: 365 nm)

Fig. 8.2.1-1 A flow sheet of simultaneous analysis method of oxolinic acid and flumequin

Reference: Yasutoshi Sugimoto, Masayo Nomura, Kazuya Washio: Research Report of Animal Feed, 34, 28 (2009)

History in the Feed Analysis Standards: [33] new

《Validation of analysis method**》**

Addad aamnaun	d Type of sample		Concentra	tion P	anaat	Mean recov	Mean recovery rate Repeat accuracy			
			(mg/kg)	epear	(%)	RSD (% or less)	
	Formula feed for adult chicken		0.5~5		3	72.6~94.4		7.3		
Oxolinic acid	Formula feed for red sea bream		1~5		3	71.1~7	4.5	11		
	Fish meal 1		0.5~5		3	76.3~9	0.8	12		
	Fish meal 2		1~5		3	71.8~8	3.3	5.7		
	Fish meal 3		1~5		3	78.2~8	0.3	3.6		
Flumequin	Formula feed for adult chicken		0.3~5		3	78.9~90.5		12		
	Formula feed for red sea bream		1~5		3	74.2~7	4.7	12		
	Fish meal 1		0.3~5		3	71.5~8	6.7	11		
	Fish meal 2		1~5		3	73.3~8	5.3	16		
	Fish meal 3		1~5		3	80.5~8	2.0	5.2		
Cooperative testing										
Added component	Type of sample	No of labs	Concentration	Recovery	rate 🛛	Repeat accuracy in room	Reproduc	cibility	y HorRat	
			(mg/kg)	(%)		$RSD_r(\%)$	RSD _R	(%)		
Oxolinic acid	Fish meal	8	3	83.0		6.1	9.5		0.68	
	formula feed for adult chicken 8		3	88.7	.7 5.9		6.6		0.48	
Flumequin	Fish meal 8		3	82.0	0 4.1 8.2		8.3		0.59	
	Formula feed for adult chicken 8		3	87.7	7 5.5 6.9		6.9	0.50		

• Recovery rate and repeat accuracy

• Lower detection limit: 0.5 mg/kg for oxolinic acid, 0.3 mg/kg for flumequin

《Notes and precautions**》**

- [1] Available from Kanto Chemical and others
- [2] An example of chromatogram is shown in Fig. 8.2.1-2.



Fig. 8.2.1-2 A chromatogram of oxolinic acid and flumequin added at respective amounts equivalent to 5 mg/kg to formula feed