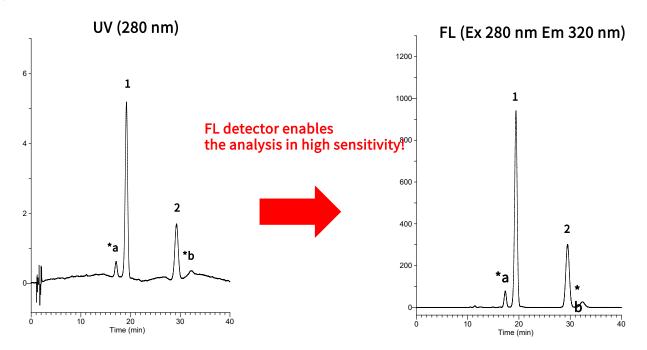
Analysis of capsaicin by using HPLC and LC/MS/MS

Capsaicin is a pungent component contained in hot pepper, etc. Proper amount of capsaicin encourages salivation or perspiration, but if it is taken excessively, it may damage the mucosal membrane of stomach. This time, capsaicin and dihydrocapsaicin contained in two kinds of hot pepper were measured. Diode array detector and fluorescence detector of Primaide System were used for analysis and it was confirmed that fluorescence detector could analyze with higher sensitivity, which is presented as below. In addition, qualitative analysis was implemented using LC/MS/MS.

Analysis example of capsaicin standard sample



HPLC Conditions

Column : InertSustain C18

 $(5 \mu m, 150 \times 4.6 mm I.D.)$

Eluent : A) CH₃CN

B) 0.1 % H₃PO₄ in H₂O

Flow rate : 1.0 mL/min

Column : 40 °C

Column .40 C

temperature: UV 280 nm (DAD)

Detector FL Ex 280 nm Em 320 nm

Injection : 20 μL

volume Gradient

Time (min)	A (vol%)	B (vol%)
0.0	40	60
40.0	40	60
45.0	100	0
55.0	100	0
56.0	40	60
65.0	40	60

Sample:

Capsaicin
 Dihydrocapsaicin
 Meg/L
 Nordihydrocapsaicin

*b. Homocapsaicin

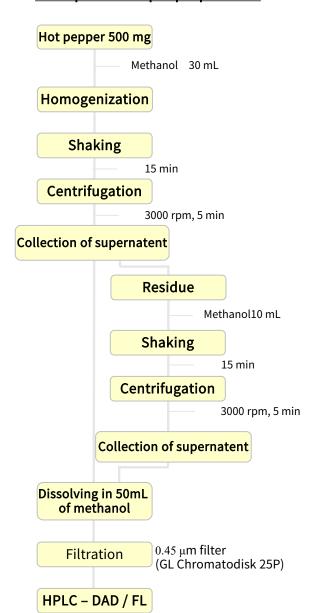
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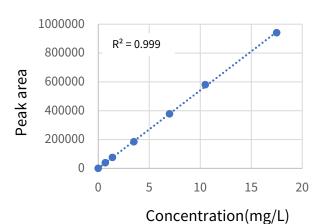
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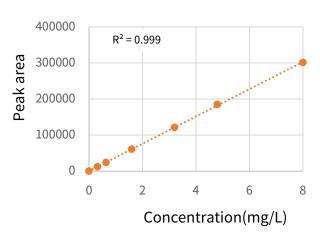
Example of sample preparation

Calibration curve





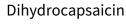
Capsaicin calibration curve (FL Ex 280 nm Em 320 nm)

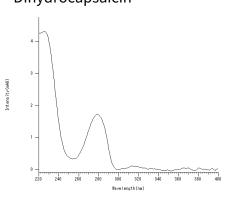


Dihydrocapsaicin calibration curve (FL Ex 280 nm Em 320 nm)

UV spectrum of standard capsaicin

Capsaicin



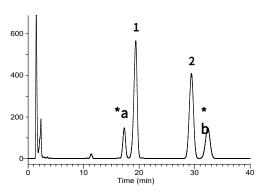


Example of Hot Pepper Analysis

20 µL of sample solution after pretreatment was analyzed by HPLC. Same as the standard sample, by using fluorescence detector, the actual sample also can be analyzed with high sensitivity. For the analysis of the variety containing small amount of capsaicin, the analysis by fluorescence detector is especially effective.

Red Pepper Analysis

FL (Ex 280 nm Em 320 nm)



UV (280nm) *a *b *topo (min) 30 40

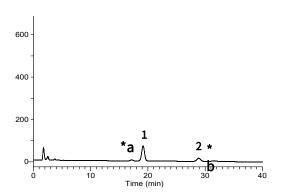
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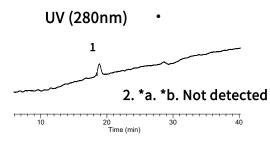
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nd *b were estimated by the result of measurement Ig LC/MS/MS and also the references.

Green Pepper Analysis

FL (Ex 280 nm Em 320 nm)





Products used

- •Column
 InertSustain C18 (5 μm, 150×4.6 mm I.D.)
 Cat.No. 5020-07345
- Syringe filter
 - GL Chromatodisk 25P 0.45 μm Cat.No. 5040-28542
 - Plastic disposal syringe
 20 mL lure lock type, 100 ea.
 Cat. No. 1030-55120

- Vial related products
 - Screw vial, 1.5mL,100 ea. Cat.No.1030-51022
 - Screw cap with septum , red / Silicon, white, thickness 1.0mm Cat.No.1030-51222

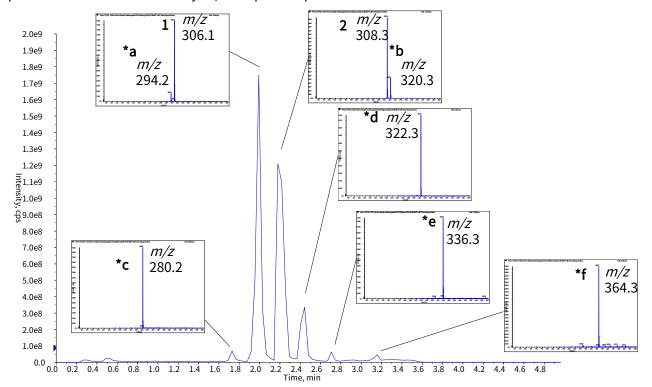
How to select columns

This time for the analysis by HPLC, InertSustain C18 is used as a first choice column, but for the next LC/MS/MS high-speed analysis, InertSustain AQ-C18 having strong retention of hydrophilic compound is used, which may reduce the effect of ion suppression.

GL Sciences LC Technical Note

Red Pepper Analysis by Using LC/MS/MS

Using a common structure m/z 137 among capsaicin kinds as a product ion, precursor ion scan was implemented. As a result of analysis, multiple compounds were detected.



Conditions

Instrument : ExionLC HPLC system

Q TRAP 6500+

Column : InertSustain AQ-C18 (1.9 μm, 50 x 2.1 mm I.D.)

Column Cat. No. : 5020-89938 **Eluent** : A) CH₃CN

B) 2 mM CH₃COONH₄ in H₂O

Time (min)	A (vol%)	B (vol%)
0.0	60	40
3.0	95	5
3.1	60	40
5.0	60	40

Sample: M.W. Precursorion 1. Capsaicin m/z

2. Dihydrocapsaicin 307.4 308.3

*a. Nordihydrocapsaicin 293.4 294.2 *b. Homocapsaicin 319.4 320.3 *c. Vanillyloctamide 279.4 280.2 *d. Homodihydrocapsaicin 321.5 322.3

*e. *f. unknown

Flow rate : Column Temp. :

: 0.5 mL/min

Column Temp. : 40 °C **Detector** : LC/M

: LC/MS/MS (QTRAP 6500+ : ESI, Positive, Precursor ion scan m/z50- 500 of 137)

CUR CAD IS TEM GS1 GS2 DP EP CE CXP 20 10 3500 500 50 50 20 10 42 23

Injection Vol. : 2 μL

*a - *f were estimated by the result of measurement using

LC/MS/MS and also the references.

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