

Supplementary Materials

Hydroxyalkyl amination of agarose gels improves adsorption of bisphenol A and diclofenac from water: Conceivable prospects

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Calibration curves for bisphenol A estimation

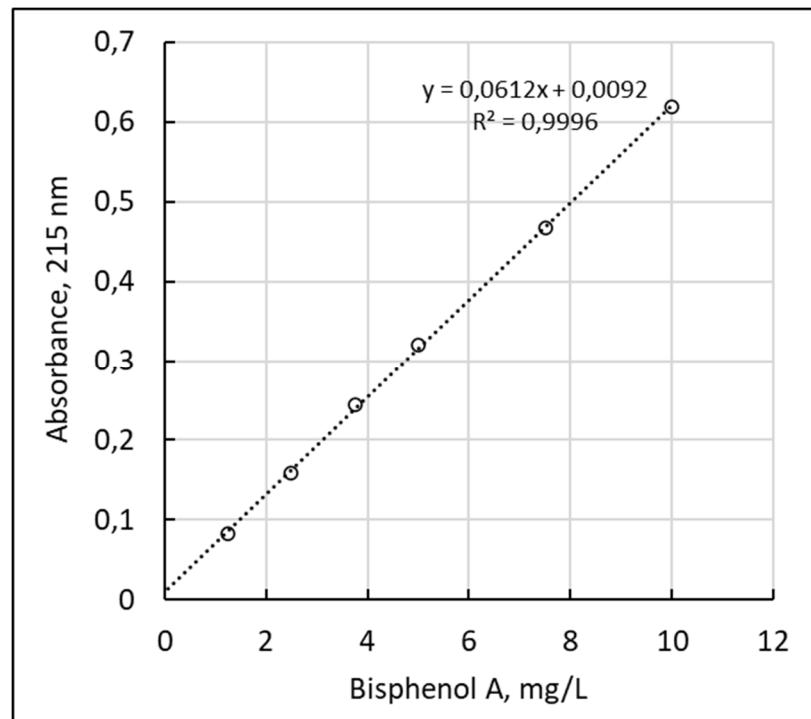


Fig.S1. Linear calibration for estimation of bisphenol A at concentrations below 10 mg/L.

Concentration of bisphenol A in the range from 1 to 10 mg/L was calculated from the linear calibration $C_{BP} [\text{mg/L}] = (A_{215} - 0.009)/0.0612$ obtained for the pure substance, where A_{215} is absorbance of bisphenol A solution at 215 nm. The concentration of bisphenol A in the 10 to 100 mg/L range was calculated from the linear calibration, $C_{BP} [\text{mg/L}] = (A_{276} + 0.001)/0.0139$, obtained for the pure substance, where A_{276} is the absorbance of bisphenol A solution at $\lambda_{\max} = 276 \text{ nm}$.

Since the absorbance of bisphenol A at low concentrations can be reproducibly measured at 215 nm with experimental error of ± 0.001 , the absorbance of 0.02 can be used for quantifying the substances at 5% relative experimental error. This absorbance corresponds to 0.18 mg/L bisphenol A, which may be considered as a sensitivity limit.

Table S1. Summary output obtained in Excel for the linear regression of Fig.S1

SUMMARY OUTPUT

| <i>Regression Statistics</i> | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Multiple R | 0,999793 |
| R Square | 0,999586 |
| Adjusted R Square | 0,999483 |
| Standard Error | 0,004537 |
| Observations | 6 |

As the standard error of the regression (0,0045) is measured in the units of dependent variable, i.e. the absorbance at 215 nm, the standard error of bisphenol estimation is then $0,0045/0,0612 = 0,073$ mg/L.

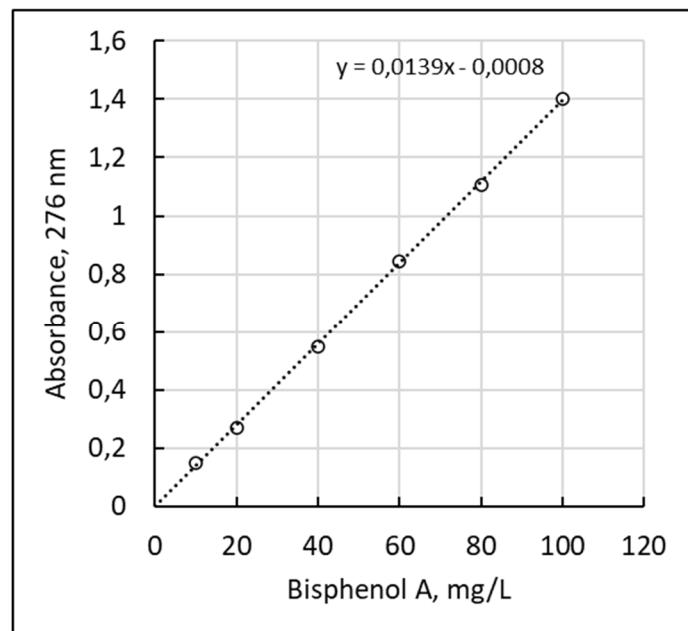


Fig.S2 Linear calibration for estimation of bisphenol A at concentrations above 10 mg/L.

Calibration curve for diclofenac estimation

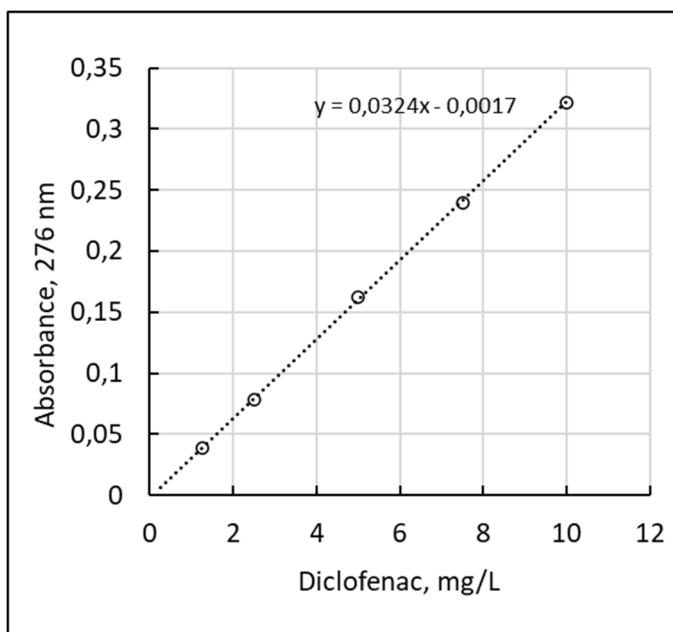


Fig.S3. Linear calibration for estimation of diclofenac.

The concentration of diclofenac in the effluent was calculated using the equation C_{DCF} (mg/L) = $(A_{276} + 0.002)/0.0324$ found from the linear calibration, see Fig.S2.

Since the absorbance of diclofenac at low concentrations can be reproducibly measured at 276 nm with experimental error of ± 0.001 , the absorbance of 0.02 can be used for quantifying the substance with 5% relative experimental error. This absorbance corresponds to 0.67 mg/L diclofenac, which may be considered as a sensitivity limit.

Table S2. Summary output obtained in Excel for the linear regression of Fig.S2

SUMMARY OUTPUT

| <i>Regression Statistics</i> | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Multiple R | 0,999943 |
| R Square | 0,999886 |
| Adjusted R Square | 0,999848 |
| Standard Error | 0,001429 |
| Observations | 5 |

As the standard error of the regression (0,0014) is measured in the units of dependent variable, i.e. the absorbance at 276 nm, the standard error of diclofenac estimation is then $0,0014/0,0324 = 0,043$ mg/L.

Table S3. Breakthrough curves of (a) bisphenol A (10 mg/L) obtained on 1 mL-column with TRIS-Zetarose 4FF (Fig.6a): Raw data.

| V, mL | bpA | bpA-2 |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 2 | 0,013 | 0,014 |
| 4 | 0,014 | 0,012 |
| 6 | 0,013 | 0,012 |
| 8 | 0,013 | 0,013 |
| 10 | 0,011 | 0,013 |
| 12 | 0,011 | 0,012 |
| 14 | 0,013 | 0,014 |
| 16 | 0,016 | 0,019 |
| 18 | 0,036 | 0,046 |
| 20 | 0,074 | 0,111 |
| 24 | 0,179 | 0,257 |
| 28 | 0,492 | 0,432 |
| 32 | 0,557 | 0,537 |
| 36 | 0,593 | 0,585 |
| 40 | 0,612 | 0,601 |
| 44 | 0,608 | 0,61 |
| 48 | 0,609 | 0,61 |
| 52 | 0,612 | 0,615 |
| 56 | 0,605 | 0,615 |
| 60 | 0,581 | |
| 64 | 0,496 | |
| 68 | 0,375 | |
| 72 | 0,262 | |
| 76 | 0,195 | |
| 85 | 0,108 | |
| 89 | 0,063 | |
| 93 | 0,047 | |
| 97 | 0,033 | |
| 101 | 0,03 | |
| 105 | 0,352 | |
| 109 | 0,284 | |
| 113 | 0,219 | |
| 117 | 0,18 | |
| 121 | 0,083 | |
| 125 | 0,012 | |
| 129 | 0,008 | |
| 133 | 0,011 | |
| 137 | 0,009 | |
| 141 | 0,007 | |

Table S4. Breakthrough curves of diclofenac (10 mg/L) obtained on 1 mL-columns with TRIS-Zetarose 4FF and Zetarose 4FF (Fig.6b): Raw data

| V, mL | diclof Tris- Zeta 4FF | Abs 10 mg/L | diclof Zeta4FF diclof |
|-------|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 2 | 0,012 | 0,319 | 0,007 |
| 6 | 0,003 | | 0,058 |
| 10 | 0,002 | | 0,299 |
| 14 | 0,009 | | 0,312 |
| 16 | 0,002 | | 0,323 |
| 20 | 0,002 | | 0,324 |
| 24 | 0,002 | | |
| 28 | 0,002 | | |
| 36 | 0,005 | | |
| 40 | 0,004 | | |
| 50 | 0,008 | | |
| 64 | 0,025 | | |
| 76 | 0,068 | | |
| 80 | 0,1 | | |
| 84 | 0,114 | | |
| 88 | 0,115 | | |
| 92 | 0,123 | | |
| 96 | 0,129 | | |
| 100 | 0,135 | | |
| 104 | 0,138 | | |
| 128 | 0,158 | | |
| 132 | 0,161 | | |
| 136 | 0,161 | | |
| 170 | 0,165 | | |
| 176 | 0,177 | | |
| 182 | 0,175 | | |
| 188 | 0,175 | | |
| 194 | 0,177 | | |
| 200 | 0,182 | | |
| 206 | 0,183 | | |
| 212 | 0,181 | | |
| 218 | 0,18 | | |
| 228 | 0,017 | | |
| 239 | 0,01 | | |
| 251 | 0,001 | | |
| 259 | 0,72 | | |

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| 263 | 0,085 |
| 267 | 0,04 |
| 271 | 0,022 |
| 275 | 0,062 |
| 279 | 0,037 |
| 283 | 0,021 |
| 287 | 0,011 |
| 291 | 0,001 |
| 295 | 0,001 |
| 299 | 0,001 0,319 |
| 303 | 0,001 |
| 307 | 0,001 |
| 311 | 0,001 |
| 321 | 0,001 |
| 331 | 0,001 |

Breakthrough curves of acetanilide and resorcinol registered on 1 mL-column with TRIS-Zetarose 4FF.

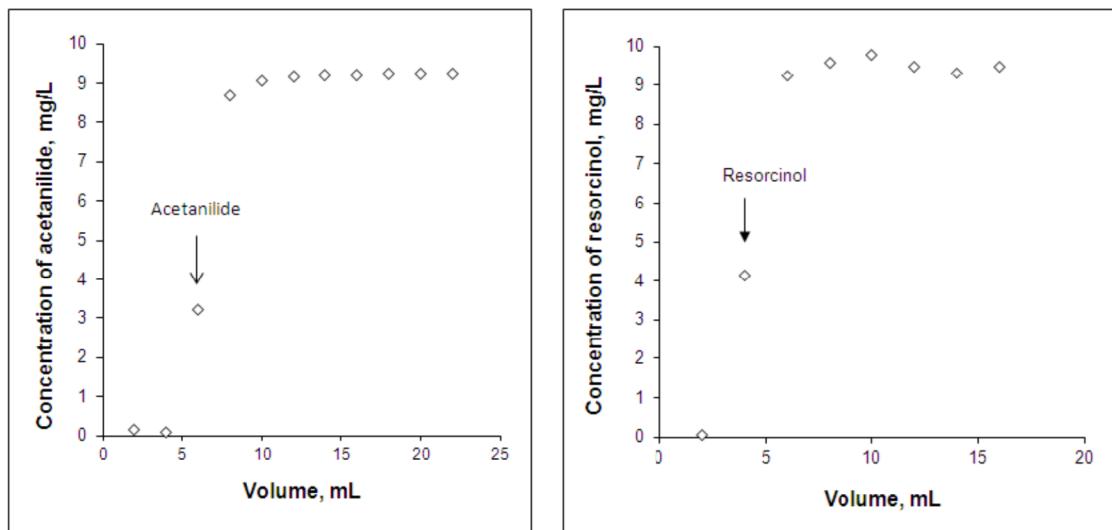


Fig.S4. Breakthrough curves of acetanilide (10 mg/L) and resorcinol (10 mg/L) applied to a 1 mL-column with Mono-Tris-Zetarose, flow rate 0.45 mL/min.