Analytical Method of Epichlorohydrin

in Canned Beverages by Purge-and-Trap/GC

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A sensitive analytical method based on gas chromatograpy-mass spectrometry with a selected ion

monitoring (GC/MS-SIM) with the purge-and-trap concentration and with headspace method(in limited

applications) was developed for determining of epichlorohydrin in canned beverages coated with epoxy

resin. The calibration curve in the range of 0.5~50ng had correlation coefficient greater than 0.998 and

a detection limit of 0.1µg /L was obtained using a sample volume of 20ml. The predominant ions of

epichlorohydrin produced in MSD using electron ionization(EI) were m/z 57 ([M-CI]+) and 62/64

([M-CH2O]+). In survey of epichlorohydrin in thirty commercial canned beverage samples, none of them

was detected.

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