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1 Scope

This European Standard specifies a procedure for the determination of the content of free fatty acid, FFA, in alkylamidopropylbetaines, which is defined as being the amount of fatty acid expressed in grams per 100 g of product.

This method has been validated for the determination of fatty acids from C₆ to C₂₀ in a total concentration range from 0,02 g to more than 3,0 g fatty acid per 100 g of product.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use – Specification and test methods (ISO 3696:1987)*

ISO 607, *Surface active agents and detergents – Methods of sample division*

3 Principle

The free fatty acids are extracted with petroleum ether at acidic pH. Then the extracted fatty acids are derivatised and subsequently analysed by GLC-FID. The chromatogram resolves the different acids according to their alkyl chain length. For quantification the sum of the peak areas of all fatty acid homologues is related to the peak area of the internal standard tridecanoic acid.

4 Reagents

4.1 General

WARNING — Your attention is drawn to the regulations covering the handling of hazardous substances. Technical, organisational and personal protection measures should be observed.

During the analysis, unless otherwise specified, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade and that have been checked in advance as to not interfere with the analytical results and water complying with grade 1 as defined in EN ISO 3696.

4.2 Tridecanoic acid, purity ≥ 99 % (m/m) (CAS number: 638-53-9).

4.3 Petroleum ether (40 °C to 60 °C) (CAS number: 101316-46-5).

4.4 Ethanol (CAS number: 64-17-5).

4.5 HCl, $c = 37\%$ (m/m) (CAS number: 7647-01-0).

4.6 Internal Standard Solution

Weigh to the nearest 0,1 mg, 0,3 g of pure tridecanoic acid (4.2) in a 25 ml volumetric flask and make up to the mark with petroleum ether. This is the Internal Standard Solution.

4.7 TMPAH, Trimethylphenylammonium hydroxide solution, $c(\text{TMPAH})$ about 0,5 M in methanol (CAS number: 1899-02-1).