

Analysis report ORAC Europe BV

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Customer name:

Hak Agrofeed BV
att. Mr. B. Hak
Leemansstraat 2
4251 LD Werkendam
The Netherlands

Amount of samples
delivered:

10 samples

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Date of sample arrival:

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

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Sample condition at arrival:

OK Damaged Other (see remarks)

Sample storage conditions:

Upon arrival, samples were stored at
4°C, in the dark.

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Remarks:

Samples were presented as
individually wrapped tomatoes.
Tomatoes were divided into two
separately labeled groups.

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Customer's
description of samples:

The delivered tomatoes were divided into two groups: a control group (black label, n=5) and an *Immutines*-treated group (1 mL/m²/week, orange/brown label, n=5). The control group consisted of untreated tomatoes. Control tomatoes were labeled: C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4 and C-5. *Immutines*-treated tomatoes (1 mL/m²/week) were labeled: I-1, I-2, I-3, I-4 and I-5.

All tomatoes were grown at the nursery of A.W. Vahl in IJsselmuiden, The Netherlands.

Information about *Immutines* is provided in the appendix of the ORAC Europe report of September 23, 2008.

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sample preparation:

Of each tomato within the two groups, the individual weight was determined (*see results section*). All five tomatoes of each group (control vs. *Immutines*-treated) were thoroughly grinded using a laboratory grinder. From each of the two resulting mixtures, 5 gram was accurately weighed in labeled glass test-tubes. To extract the hydrophilic contents from each sample, 20 mL of an acetone/water/acetic acid solution (140:59:1, v/v) was added to each test-tube. This solution (abbreviated as AWA) is commonly used to extract hydrophilic constituents from food samples. All sealed test-tubes with samples were placed in an ultrasonication bath for 15 min. Hereafter, all samples were thoroughly vortexed for 1 min, and placed back in the ultrasonication bath for another 15 min. All tubes were vortexed again for another minute and finally, all tubes were centrifuged at 800 x g for 15 min. Supernatants were carefully collected and stored in dark glass bottles at 4°C until further use in the hydrophilic ORAC assay.

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Date of sample preparation:

Thursday, January 7, 2010

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Required assay:

Hydrophilic ORAC assay

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Date(s) of testing:

Friday, January 8, 2010

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Responsible investigator:

Dr. E. van den Worm



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Report finalization date:

Monday, January 11, 2010

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Remarks:

- no remarks -

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Short description of performed assay:

Samples provided by Hak Agrofeed BV were tested for their **Oxygen Radical Absorbance Capacity** (ORAC), using the commonly accepted and well-validated hydrophilic ORAC assay with fluorescein as fluorescent probe and with AAPH (2,2'-azobis (2-methyl-propionamide) dihydrochloride) as a physiological relevant peroxy radical generator. Kinetic fluorescence profiles were detected using an automated fluorescence reader (*Thermo Fluoroskan Ascent*). Fluorescence was monitored every minute for 1 hr. at 37°C, using an excitation wavelength of 485 nm and an emission wavelength of 538 nm. (*Assay performed in accordance to: Prior et al., J. Agric. Food. Chem. 53(10): 4290-4302; 2005.*)

In the ORAC assay, Trolox (a water-soluble derivative of vitamin E) is used as an internal standard. Therefore, the results of the ORAC assay are expressed as μmol Trolox equivalents (TE) **per 100 g of test-sample**. This is a standard way of expressing ORAC values.

Each sample was diluted in freshly prepared 75mM sodium phosphate buffer (pH = 7.4) shortly before the experiment.

All reagents were freshly prepared prior to the experiment. All solutions were kept in the dark at 37°C except the AAPH solution which was kept on ice (in the dark) until use.

From the obtained experimental data, final ORAC values were calculated using the 'area under the curve' (AUC). The net AUC was obtained by subtracting the AUC of the blank from that of the sample. The relative ORAC value (expressed as Trolox equivalents) was calculated by extrapolation from the Trolox calibration curve (AUC_{Trolox} vs. [Trolox]). ORAC values are expressed as mean values \pm Standard Deviation (S.D.).

Remarks:

Before all dilution steps and final addition to test-plate, all sample dilutions were carefully vortexed.

TEST RESULTS:

Tomato nr.	Weight (gram)
C-1 (Control)	129.92
C-2 (Control)	149.64
C-3 (Control)	127.57
C-4 (Control)	135.89
C-5 (Control)	132.26
I-1 (<i>Immutines</i> , 1 mL/m ² /week)	127.96
I-2 (<i>Immutines</i> , 1 mL/m ² /week)	136.70
I-3 (<i>Immutines</i> , 1 mL/m ² /week)	169.51
I-4 (<i>Immutines</i> , 1 mL/m ² /week)	177.92
I-5 (<i>Immutines</i> , 1 mL/m ² /week)	275.02

Samples	ORAC value (μmol TE / 100 g.)*
Control tomatoes (C)	295 ± 9.2 (mean ± S.D.)
<i>Immutines</i>-treated tomatoes (1 mL/m²/week, I)	335 ± 7.1 (mean ± S.D.)

* As stated previously, ORAC values are expressed as μmol TE per 100 g of test sample. If required, customer can extrapolate these ORAC values to μmol TE per tomato or μmol TE per serving.

NB: 1 μmol Trolox Equivalent (TE) equals 250 μg Trolox

	Antioxidant capacity (% of control)	Increase in antioxidant capacity (relative to control)
Control tomatoes (C)	100	-
<i>Immutines-treated tomatoes (1 mL/m²/week, I)</i>	113.6 ± 2.5	13.6 %

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