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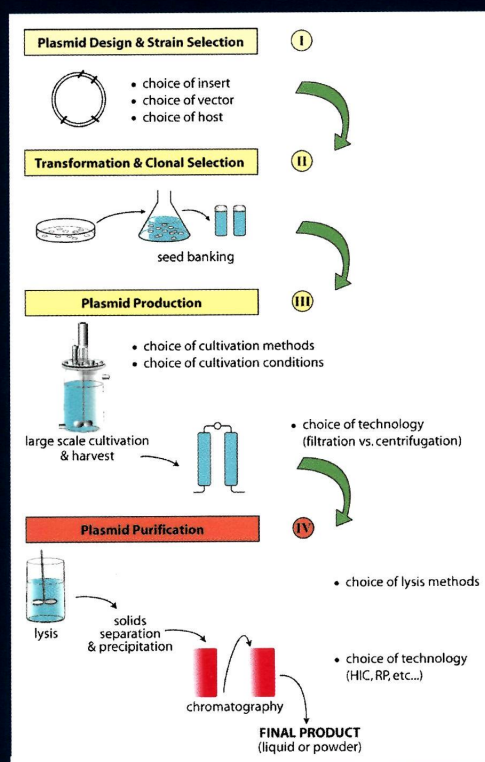
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## Review Article

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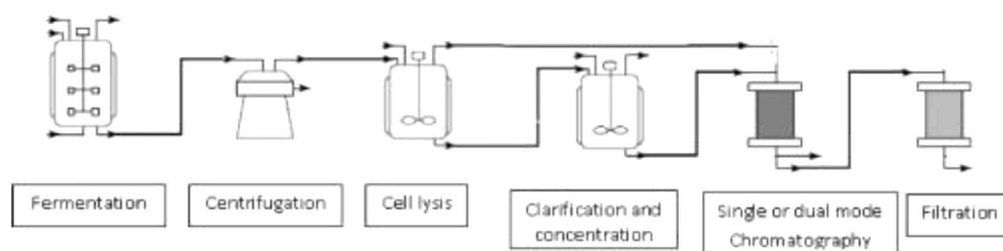
## Current trends in separation of plasmid DNA vaccines: A review

Review Article

Pages 1-15

Ashraf Ghanem, Robert Healey, Frady G. Adly

### Graphical abstract



### Highlights

► Current trends in the separation and purification of Plasmid DNA vaccines. ► Practical large and analytical scale productions of the plasmid DNA vaccine are discussed. ► Separation challenges. ► New developments and process solutions. ► Future prospective in the field of plasmid DNA vaccines.

Chemometrics



## Quantitative analysis of the effect of zidovudine, efavirenz, and ritonavir on insulin aggregation by multivariate curve resolution alternating least squares of infrared spectra

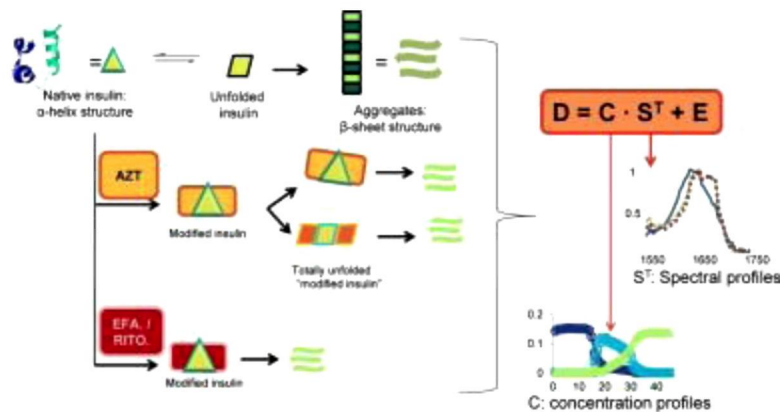
Original Research Article

Pages 16-24

Idoia Martí-Aluja, Itziar Ruisánchez, M. Soledad Larrechi



## Graphical abstract



## Highlights

- The structure of insulin can be changed via interaction with antiretroviral drugs.
- The chemical interaction promotes the formation of aggregates.
- This drug effect was evaluated by MCR-ALS coupled to IR spectroscopy.
- Formation of aggregates was favourable if drugs were able to form hydrogen bonds.
- Higher drug concentrations favoured formation of amorphous aggregates.

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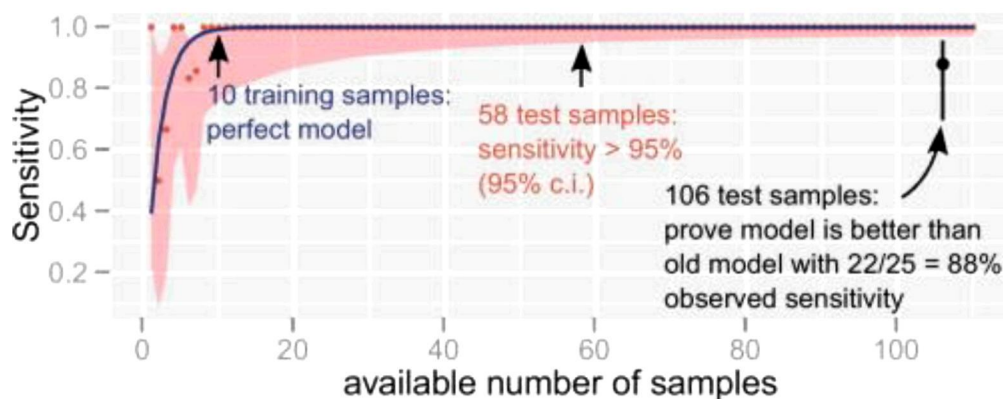
## Sample size planning for classification models

Original Research Article

Pages 25-33

Claudia Beleites, Ute Neugebauer, Thomas Bocklitz, Christoph Krafft, Jürgen Popp

## Graphical abstract



## Highlights

- We compare sample size requirements for classifier training and testing.
- Number of training samples: determine from learning curve.
- Test sample size: specify confidence interval width or model

to compare to. ► Classifier testing needs far more samples than training. ► Start with at least 75 cases per class, then refine sample size planning.

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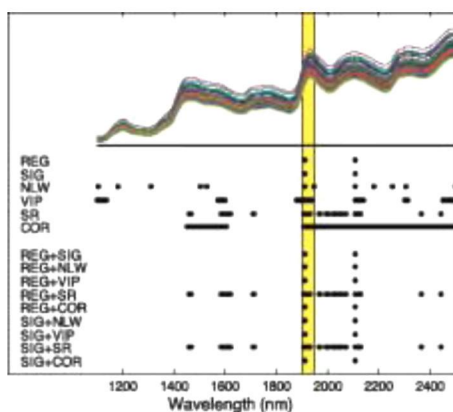
### **Predictive-property-ranked variable reduction in partial least squares modelling with final complexity adapted models: Comparison of properties for ranking**

Original Research Article

Pages 34-45

Jan P.M. Andries, Yvan Vander Heyden, Lutgarde M.C. Buydens

#### **Graphical abstract**



#### **Highlights**

► Variable reduction using the PPRVR-FCAM method is investigated. ► Performance of individual and combined predictor-variable properties is studied. ► Selective and predictive performances of resulting models statistically compared. ► Absolute PLS1 regression coefficient and its significance are most effective.

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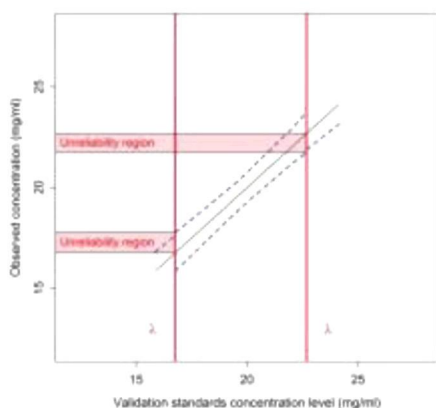
### **Methodology for the validation of analytical methods involved in uniformity of dosage units tests**

Original Research Article

Pages 46-52

E. Rozet, E. Ziemons, R.D. Marini, B. Boulanger, Ph. Hubert

## Graphical abstract



## Highlights

► Methodology to validate methods for uniformity of dosage units tests. ► Valid methods will ensure to make the correct decisions with high probability. ► A Quality by Design compliant validation methodology for UDU assays. ► Analytical Target Profile is defined for UDU assays. ► Application to the validation of an HPLC-UV and NIRS method.

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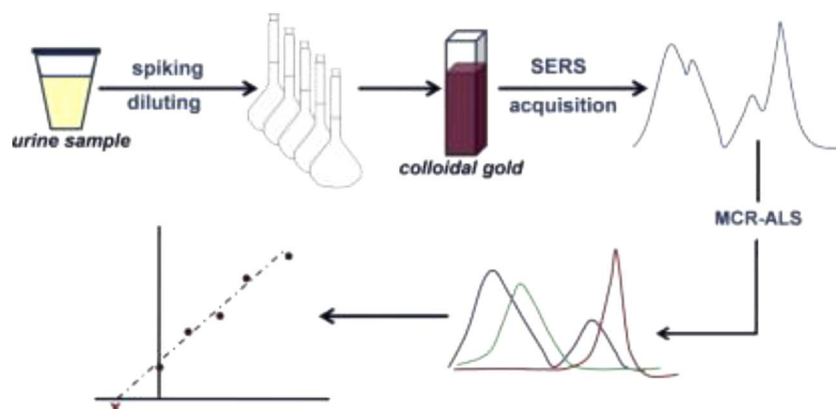
**Standard addition method applied to the urinary quantification of nicotine in the presence of cotinine and anabasine using surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy and multivariate curve resolution**

Original Research Article

Pages 53-59

Mónica B. Mamián-López, Ronei J. Poppi

## Graphical abstract



## Highlights

► Determination of urinary nicotine in the presence of cotinine and anabasine. ► Surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy for analysis of nicotine. ► Multivariate curve resolution in conjunction with standard addition method. ► Determination of nicotine was accomplished with error values less than 10%.

Extraction and Sample Handling

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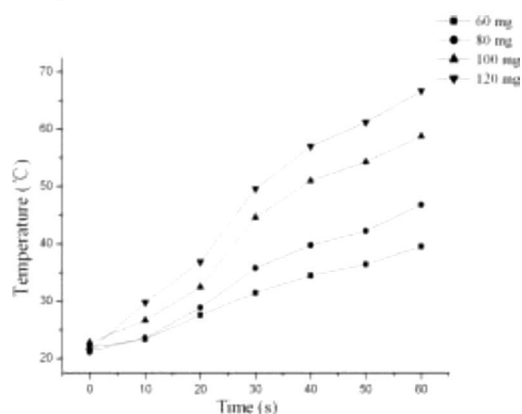
### **An absorbing microwave micro-solid-phase extraction device used in non-polar solvent microwave-assisted extraction for the determination of organophosphorus pesticides**

Original Research Article

Pages 60-68

Ziming Wang, Xin Zhao, Xu Xu, Lijie Wu, Rui Su, Yajing Zhao, Chengfei Jiang, Hanqi Zhang, Qiang Ma, Chunmei Lu, Deming Dong

## Graphical abstract



## Highlights

► An absorbing microwave  $\mu$ -SPE device packed with activated carbon was used. ► Absorbing microwave  $\mu$ -SPE device was made and used to enrich the analytes. ► Absorbing microwave  $\mu$ -SPE device was made and used to heat samples directly. ► MAE- $\mu$ -SPE was applied to the extraction of OPPs with non-polar solvent only.

Sensors and Bioselective Reagents

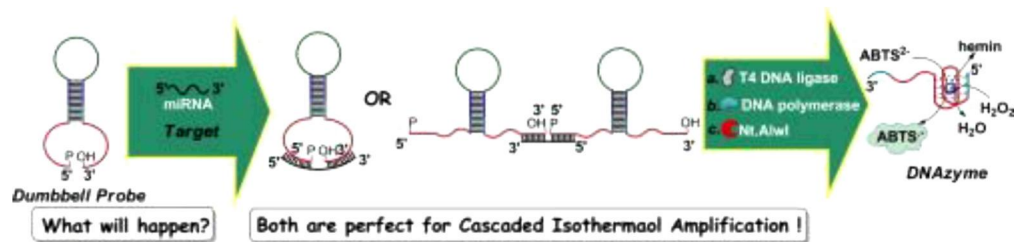
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### **Dumbbell probe-mediated cascade isothermal amplification: A novel strategy for label-free detection of microRNAs and its application to real sample assay**

Original Research Article

Pages 69-74

### Graphical abstract



### Highlights

- This assay relies on the circularization of dumbbell probe by target microRNA.
- Rolling circle amplification and autonomous DNA machine are then occurred.
- G-quadruplex is continuously produced to bind hemin to generate color signal.
- High sensitivity, wide dynamic range, and good specificity is achieved.

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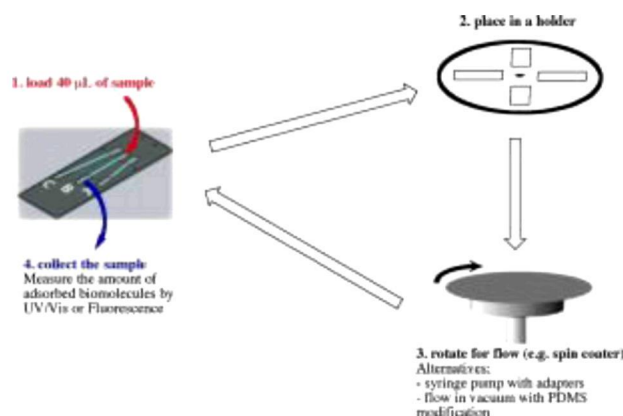
### Simple approach to study biomolecule adsorption in polymeric microfluidic channels

Original Research Article

Pages 75-82

Vladimir Gubala, Jonathan Siegrist, Ruairi Monaghan, Brian O'Reilly, Ram Prasad Gandhiraman, Stephen Daniels, David E. Williams, Jens Ducrée

### Graphical abstract



### Highlights

- A simple tool to assess biomolecule adsorption onto the surfaces of microchannels.
- Development for dilution by surface-adsorption based depletion of protein samples.
- It can easily be done using a

readily available apparatus like a spin-coater. ► The assessment tool is facile and quantitative. ►  
Straightforward comparison of different surface chemistries.

## Separation Methods

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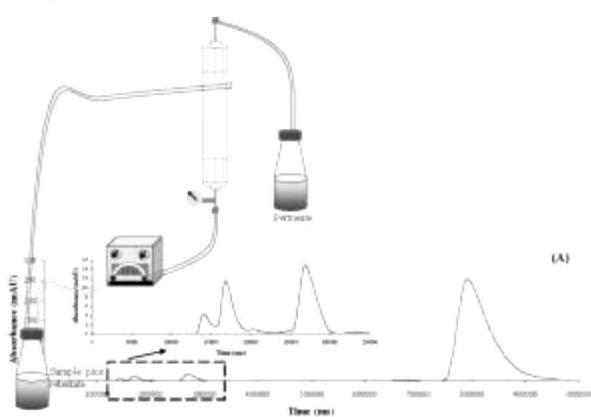
### **Size exclusion and anion exchange high performance liquid chromatography for characterizing metals bound to marine dissolved organic matter**

Original Research Article

Pages 83-92

Natalia García-Otero, Pilar Bermejo-Barrera, Antonio Moreda-Piñeiro

#### **Graphical abstract**



#### **Highlights**

► Fractionation methods for assessing metals bound to marine DOM were developed. ► SEC and AEC with UV detection and hyphenated with inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry were used. ► SEC-UV showed marine DOM of molecular weights from 16 to 1 kDa. ► Cobalt, manganese, strontium and zinc are bound to marine DOM.

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### **Simultaneous determination of 3-monochloropropane-1,2-diol and acrylamide in food by gas chromatography-triple quadrupole mass spectrometry with coupled column separation**

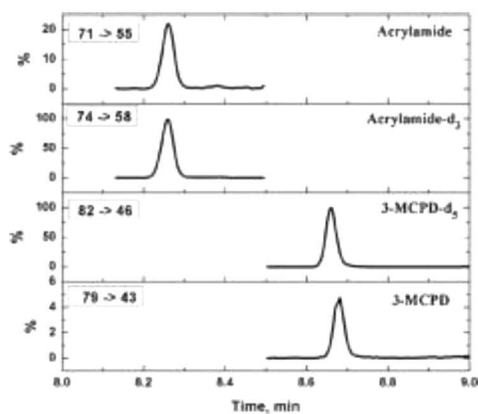
Original Research Article

Pages 93-99

Xiao-min Xu, Hua-li He, Yan Zhu, Liang Feng, Ying Ying, Bai-fen Huang, Hai-tao Shen, Jian-long Han, Yi-ping Ren



### Graphical abstract



### Highlights

► 3-MCPD and acrylamide were simultaneously detected by GC–MS/MS. ► A coupled column was applied to get sharp and symmetrical peaks. ► MS/MS in MRM was used to suppress matrix interferences and obtain high sensitivity. ► The method was successfully applied to different sample matrices.

### Erratum

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**Corrigendum to “Miniaturized nucleic acid amplification systems for rapid and point-of-care diagnostics: A review” [Anal. Chim. Acta 733 (2012) 1–15]**

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