

# Caffeine in Brackish Water or Seawater Sample Preparation

## 1. Intended Use

For the preparation of brackish water or seawater samples for analysis in the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Caffeine ELISA.

# 2. Sensitivity

1.75 ppb in brackish water or seawater

# 3. Materials and Reagents Required

4 mL glass vials with Teflon-lined caps Micropipettes with disposable plastic tips Vortex mixer ABRAXIS® Caffeine ELISA Kit (PN 515575)

## 4. Notes and Precautions

This procedure is intended for use with brackish water or seawater samples. Other matrices should be thoroughly validated before use with this procedure.

## 5. Procedure

- 5.1 Add 900 μL of Caffeine Sample Diluent (provided in the Caffeine ELISA Kit) to a clean, appropriately labeled 4 mL glass vial.
- 5.2 Add 100  $\mu$ L of brackish water or seawater sample to the vial.
- 5.3 Vortex thoroughly.
- 5.4 Analyze diluted sample using the ABRAXIS® Caffeine ELISA Kit.

## 6. Evaluation of Results

The Caffeine concentration in samples is determined by multiplying the ELISA results by a factor of 10. Samples showing a concentration lower than standard 1 (0.175 ppb) should be reported as containing < 1.75 ppb of Caffeine. Samples showing a higher concentration than standard 5 (5.0 ppb) should be reported as containing > 50 ppb of Caffeine or diluted further and re-analyzed to obtain an accurate quantitative result.

## 7. Performance Data

## Recovery

Seawater samples were spiked with various amounts of Caffeine, prepared as described above, and then analyzed using the ABRAXIS<sup>®</sup> Caffeine ELISA Kit. Average recovery was 103%.

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