

Fast, Reliable Pesticides in Food Extractions



PLE®
Pressurized Liquid Extraction



Agenda

- PLE® Overview
 - Pressurized Liquid Extraction
- Extraction and Cleanup for Pesticide Testing
- Questions



Testing in Food

- Food Safety
 - Pesticides cause Harm to Humans/Pets
 - Identify potential risks to your Supply Chain and Product line
- Analytical
 - Pesticide Analysis
 - Fast
 - Reproducible Results



Pressurized Liquid Extraction

- An Extraction technique used in the Food Market
- The Technique Incorporates:
 - Solvent
 - Pressure
 - Heat
 - Time



Why is the PLE so effective?

- Performed near the solvent's supercritical region
- Under Programmable Pressure
- Creates a high degree of analyte solubility releasing them from the solid matrix



Extraction

- A solid or semi-solid sample is placed in the Pressurized Extraction Cell 5ml to 200ml
- The Extraction cell is capped and placed into the extraction device which can be pressurized to up 2500psi



Extraction

- The Extraction cell is placed under pressure at ambient temperature (nominally 25 °C)
 - For Pesticides
- No Heat
- The Extract is flushed with solvent then Nitrogen



The PLE®

Pressurized Liquid Extraction

PLE – Pressurized Liquid Extraction

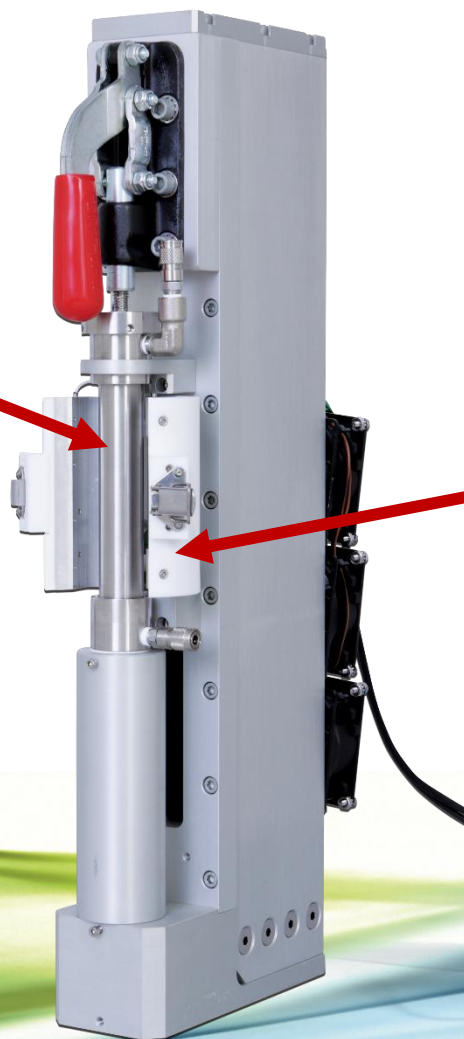
- High Speed
- Modular and expandable from 1 to 8
- Process 1 to 8 samples in 10 to 15 min
- Extraction cell size 5 to 200 ml
- Real time plot of temperature and pressure
- Reduced Solvent Consumption
- Lower Energy Consumption
- In Cell Sample Cleanup





Extraction Cell

Heater



Economical Extraction Cells



Easy to Use End Caps



Modular and Expandable

Expandable from 1 to 8 Modules

Parallel Extraction

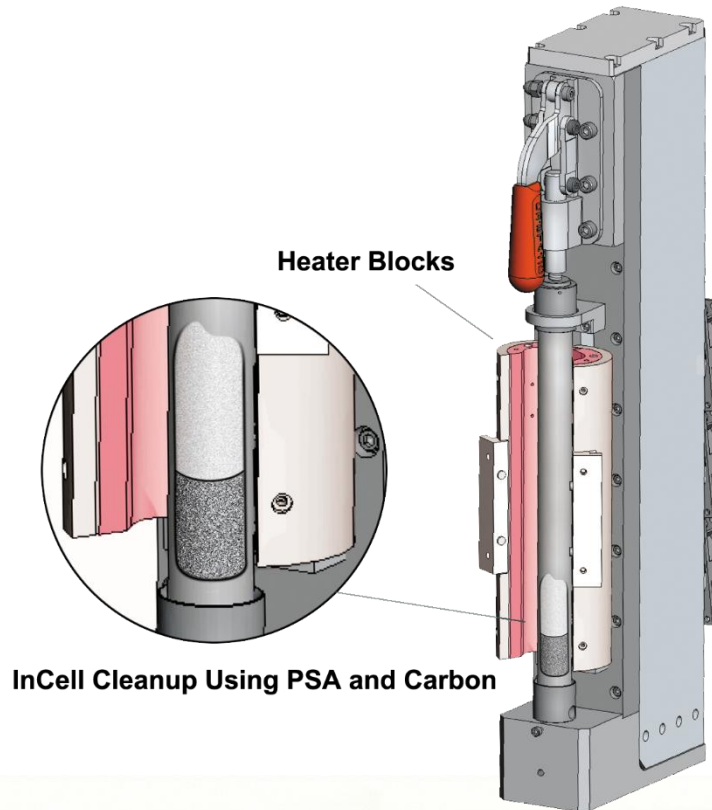


In Cell Cleanup for Pesticides

Eliminates Manual cleanup

Uses In Cell Cleanup

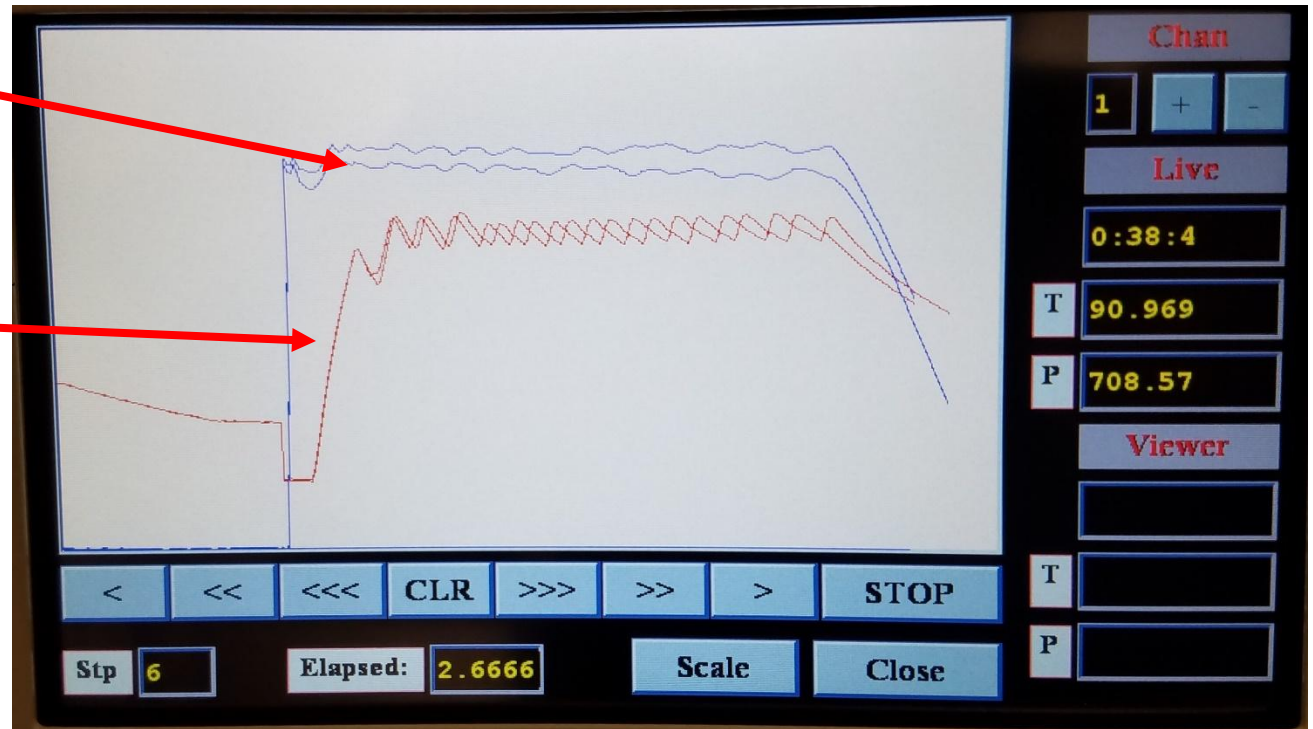
- Florisil
- PSA
- Carbon
- Silica



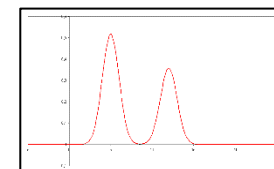
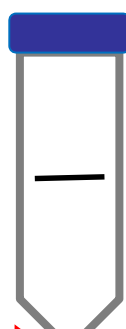
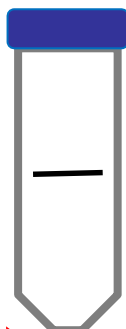
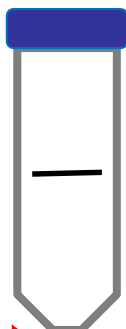
Method Documentation

Pressure

Temperature



Standard Quechers Pesticide Workflow



2 minutes

Weigh the Sample

5 minutes

Load the Sample
into the Vessel add H₂O
and Acidified ACN

30 minutes

Shake Vessel

10 minutes

Add Quechers salt,
shake and centrifuge

10 minutes

Extract
Filtration

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52 minutes

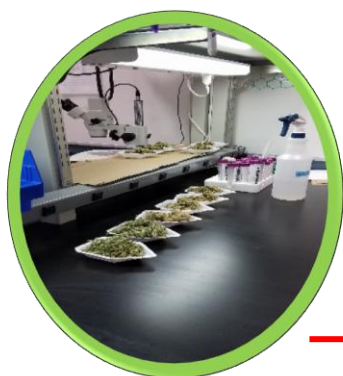
**Sample Prep
Total Time
Ready for
Injection**

Standard Quechers Pesticide Workflow

- Lots of Manual Steps and Human Interaction
 - More Error Prone due to interaction
- Labor and Solvent Intensive
 - Costs money
- Time Consuming Process
- Users Complain of Inconsistent Results



PLE Extraction and Cleanup for Pesticides Workflow



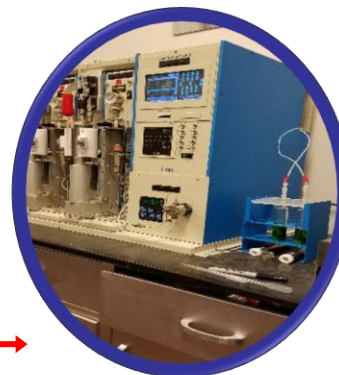
2 minutes

Weigh the Sample



2 minutes

**Load the XtractClean™ and
Sample into the Extraction Cell**

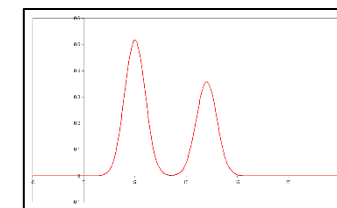


8 minutes

**Pesticide
Extraction and
In Cell Cleanup**

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12 minutes

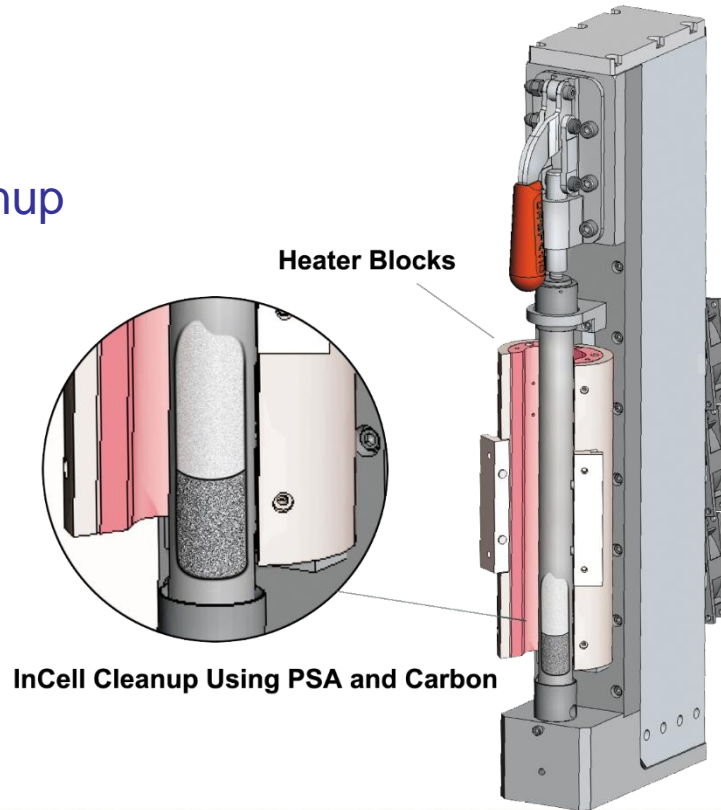


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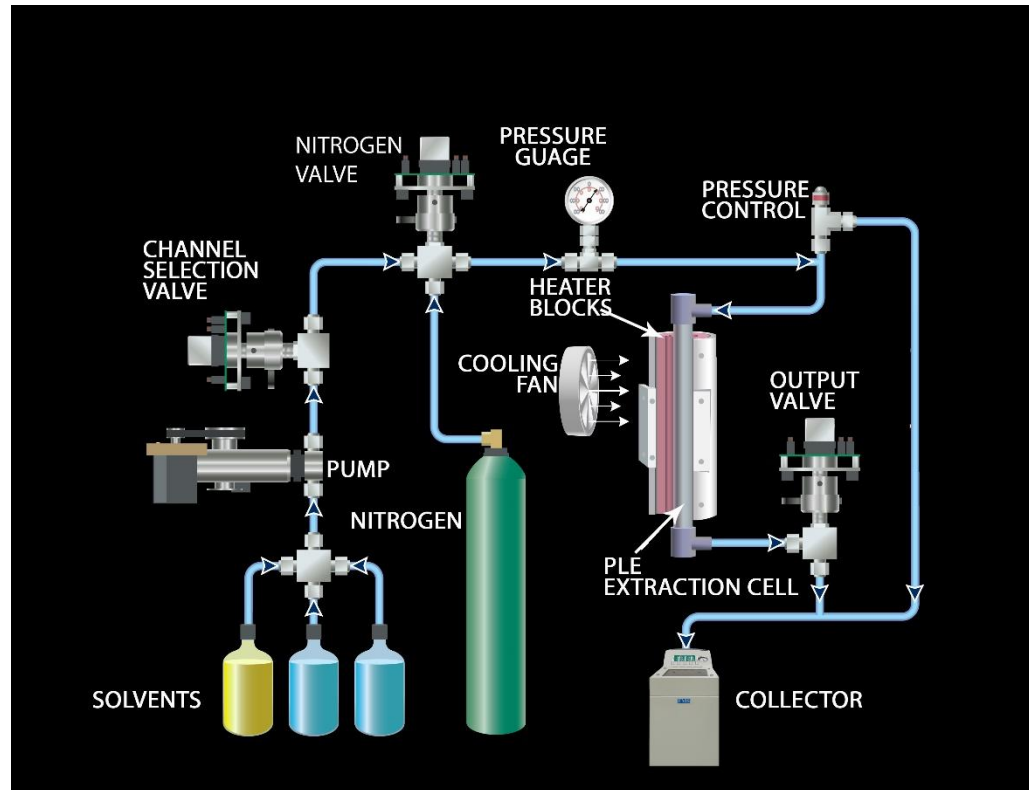
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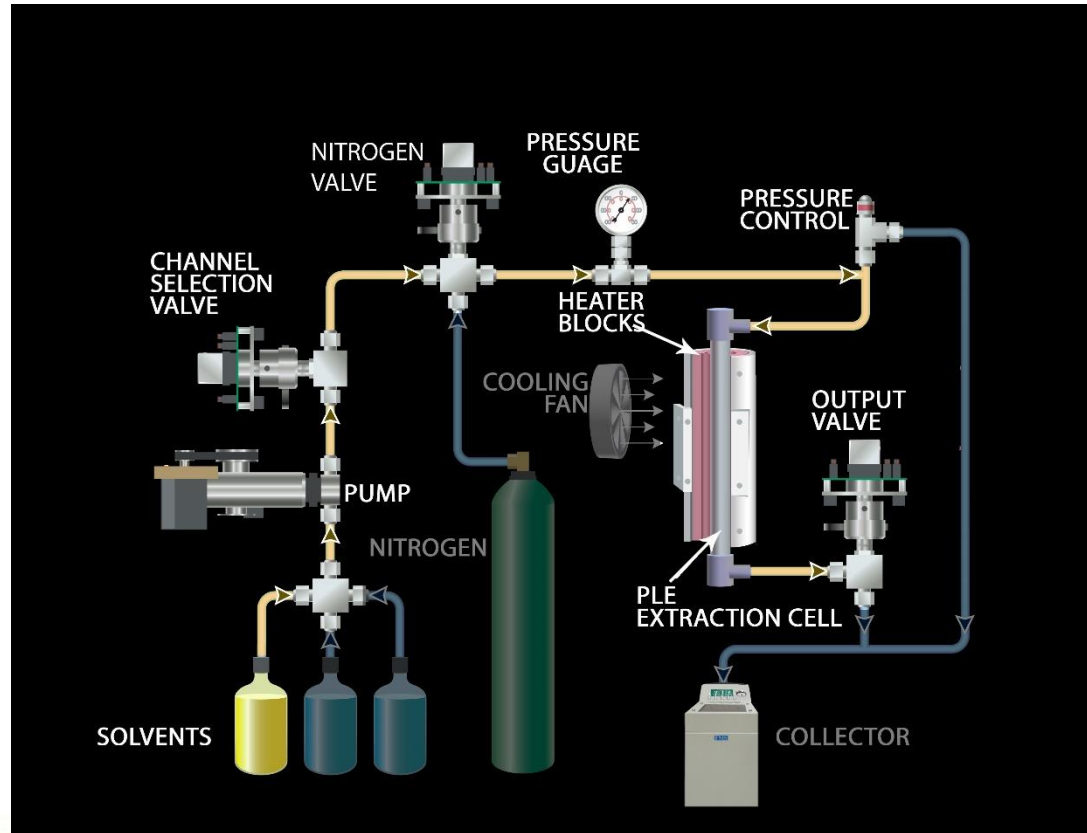
XtractClean™



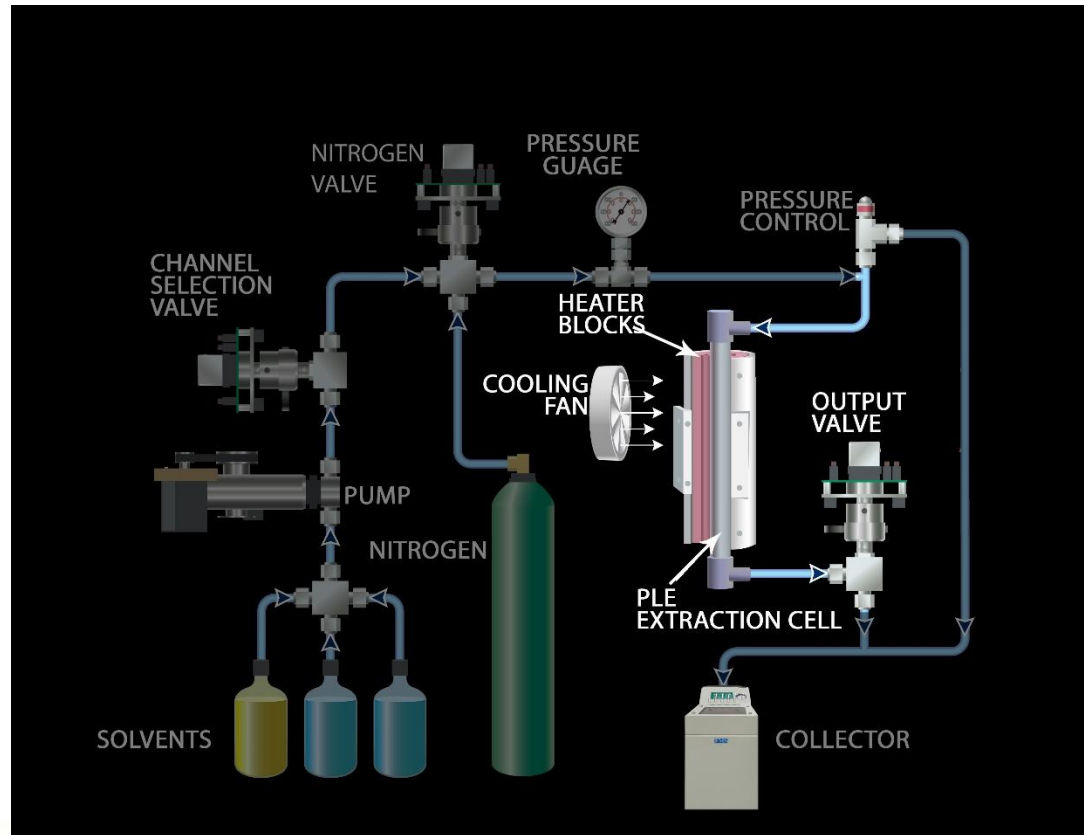
Filling the Cell with Acetonitrile



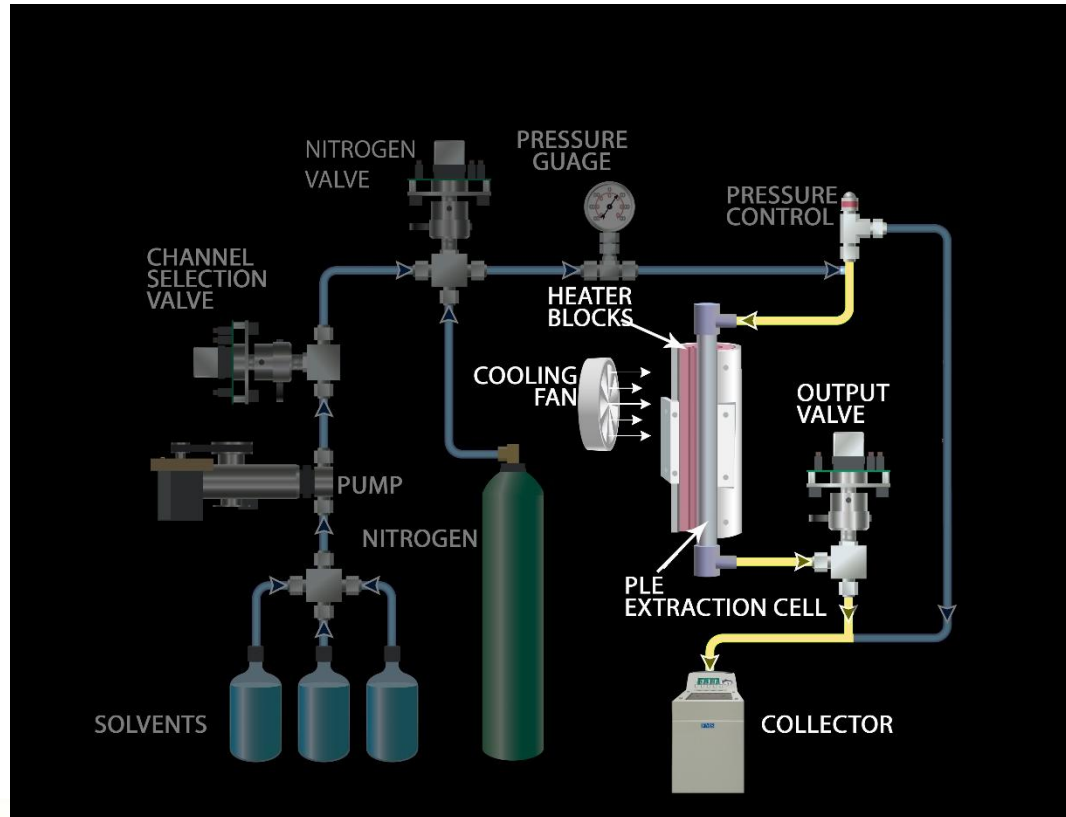
Pressurize the Cell



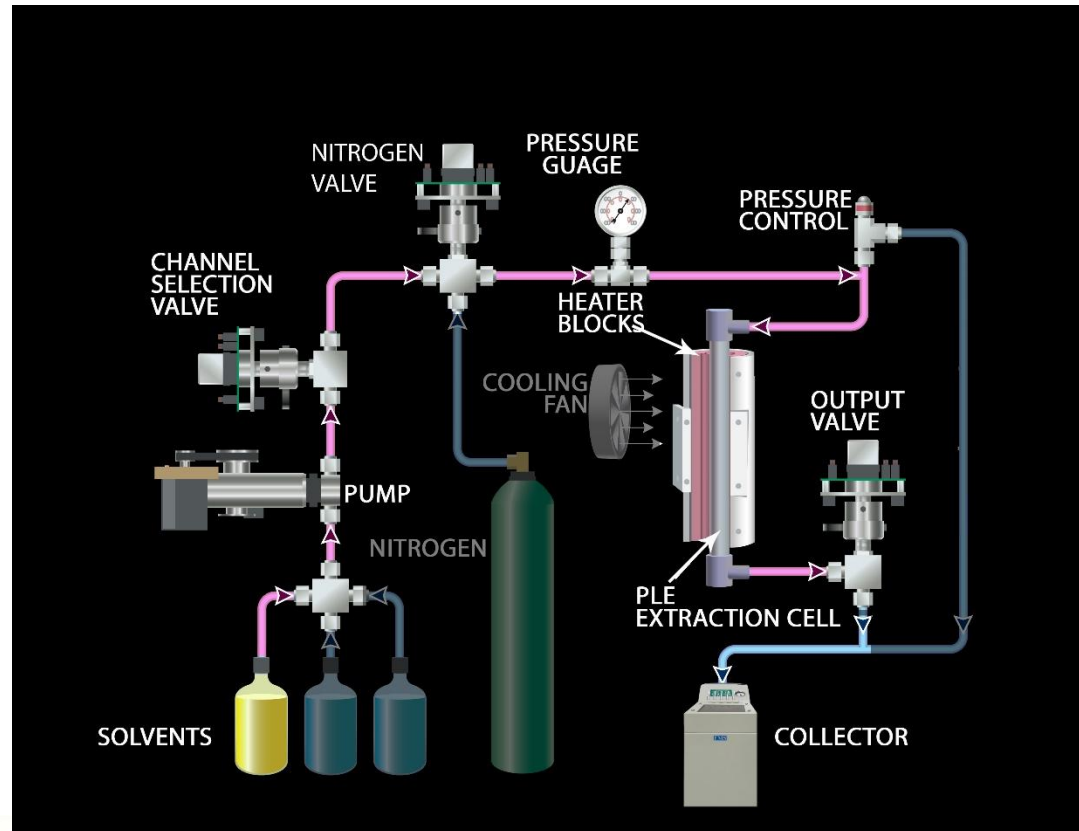
Maintain Pressure



Depressurize the Cell



Deliver the Extract to the Collection Vessel



GC/MS-MS Conditions

Thermo Trace GC w/PTV

TSQ Quantum Ultra

30 meter, .25mm, .25 μ m Column w/5 meter Guard column

203 Pesticides scanned (414 transitions)



Sample Preparation for Extractions

Samples weighed and prepared.

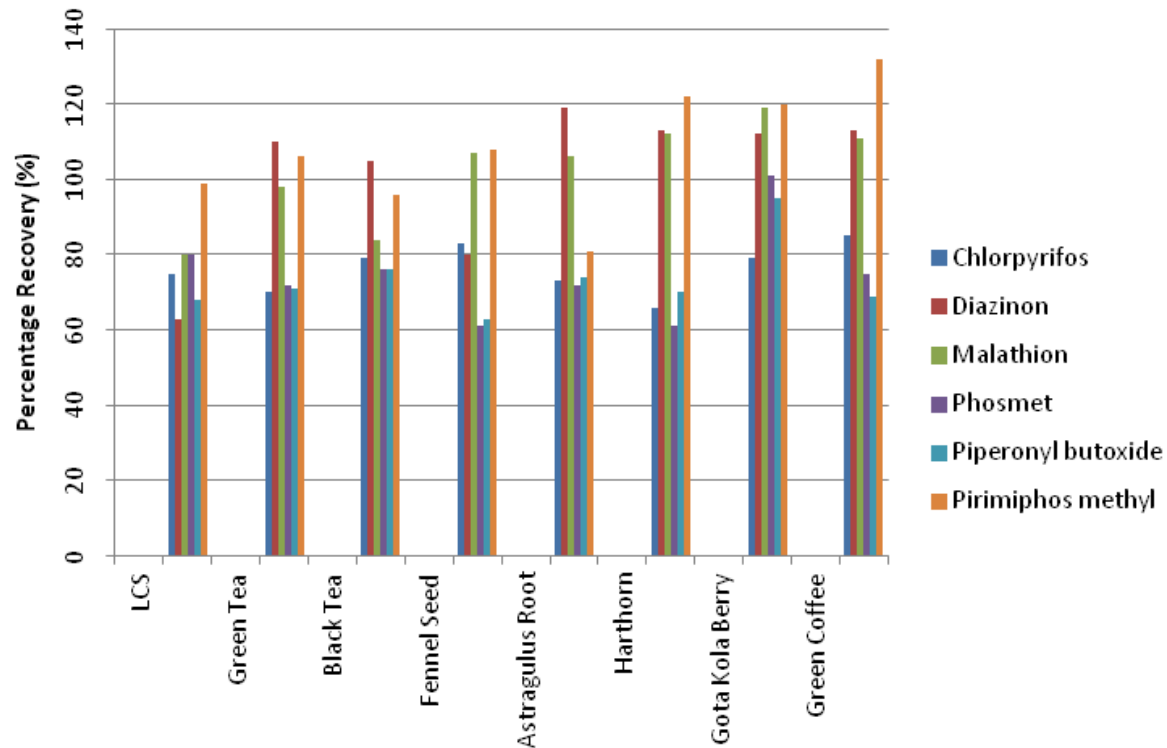
Analyzed un-spiked and spiked to ensure no native pesticides of interest present

Samples spiked at .1 ug/g

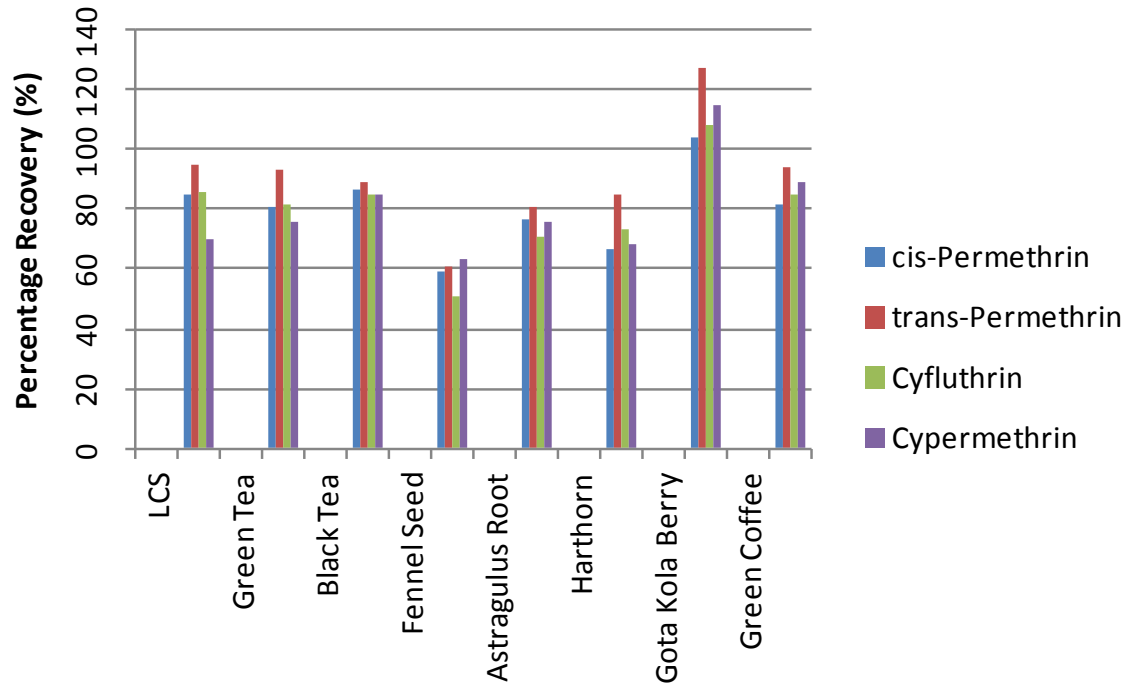
Samples directly loaded onto GC with no evaporation.



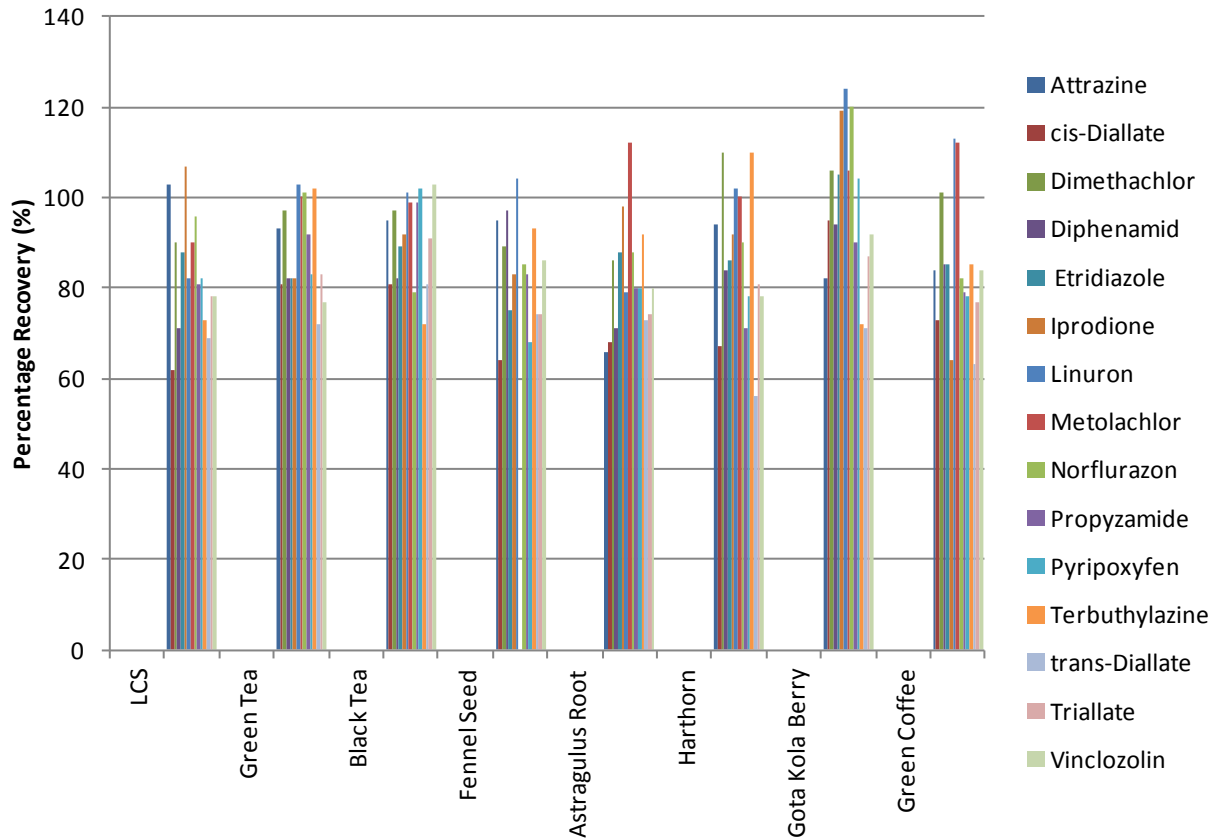
Results: Organophosphorus Pesticides



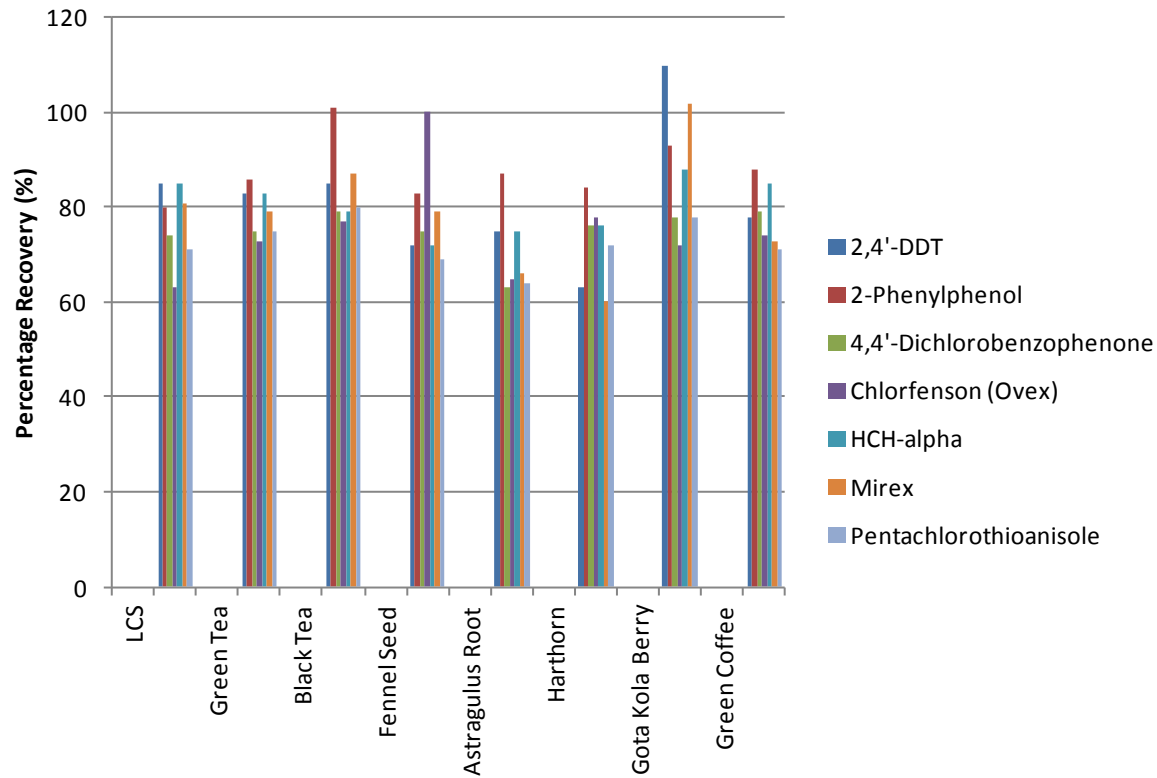
Pyrethroid Pesticides



Organonitrogen Pesticides

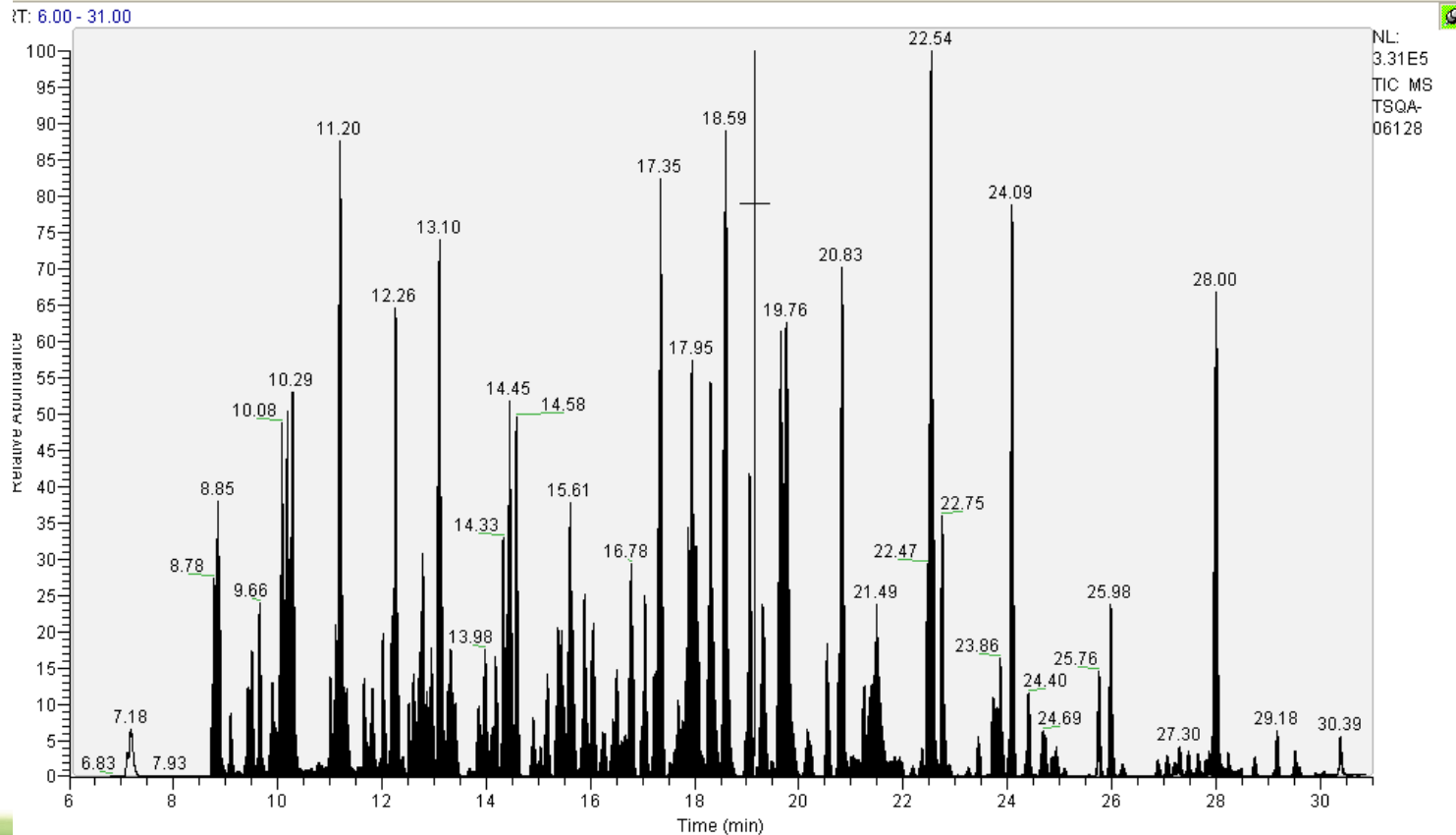


Organochlorine Pesticides & Methylated Herbicides



Results

TIC of Spiked Green Tea Extract from the PLE w/In-Cell Clean-up



PLE for the Analysis of Pesticides

- High Throughput Pesticide Analysis
 - 20 minutes per run up to 24 samples per hour
 - 192 samples per 8 hour Shift
- One Extraction Method for all Matrices
- One/Same Extraction for GC/MS and LC/MS analysis
- Eliminate Manual Steps and Human Error
 - Automated Extraction and Cleanup



- Using the PLE®
 - Sample Prep processes are combined into one step
 - Extraction
 - Cleanup
 - Put the sample in get it out and directly inject it
 - Consistent, Reproducible, Results
 - Increased productivity



- Faster and easier operator training
- Automatic documentation of extraction and cleanup and concentration conditions
- Reduced errors due to mistakes eliminating manual steps and conditions.
- Reduced solvent usage and disposal costs.



Questions?

