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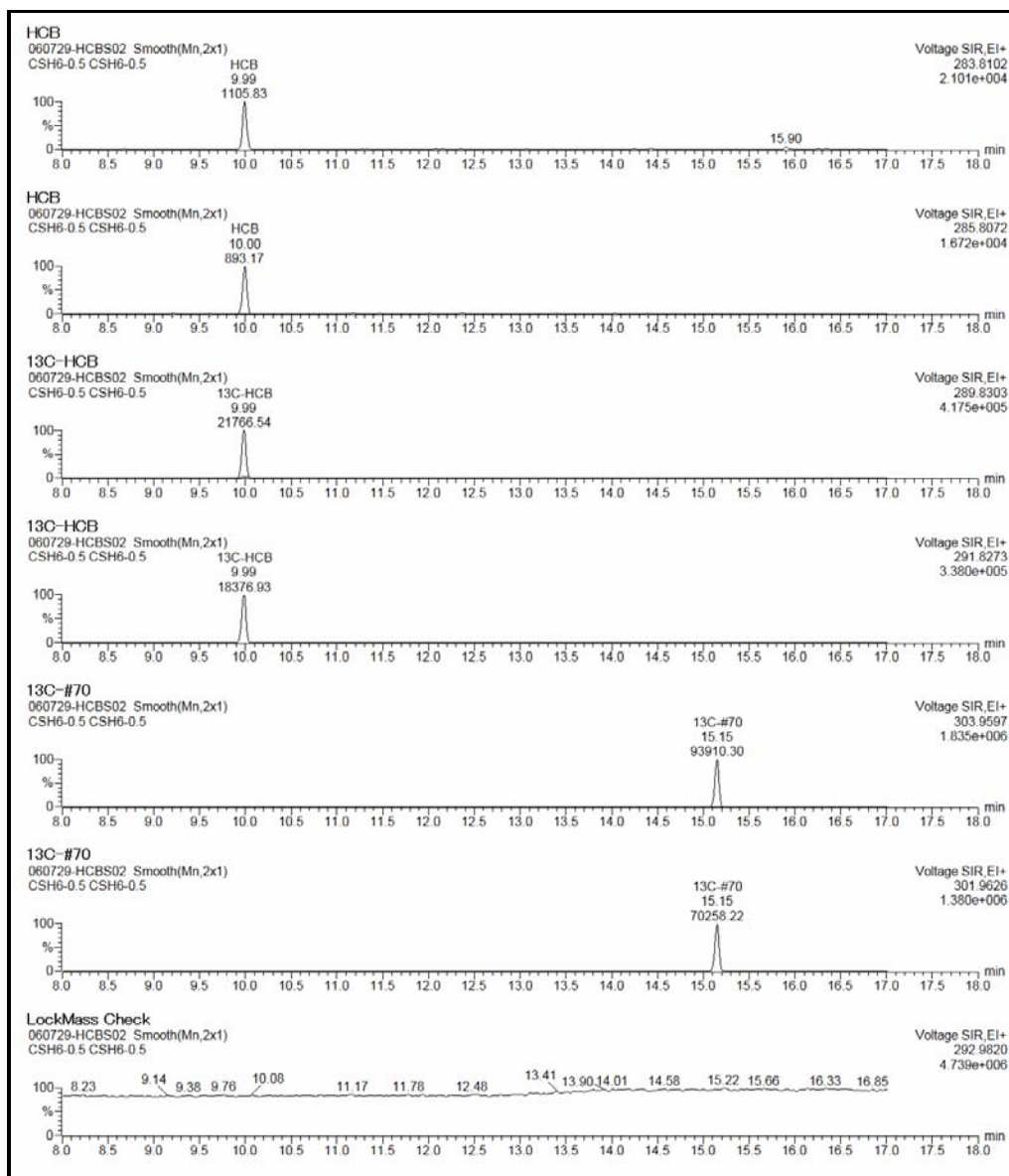


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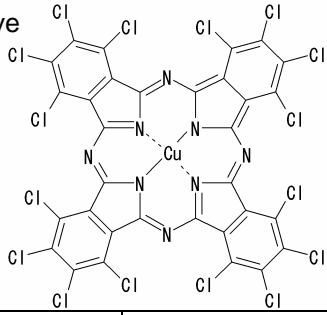
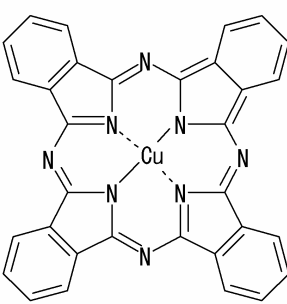
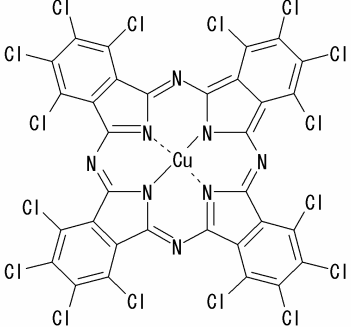
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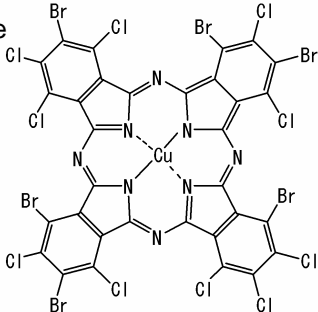
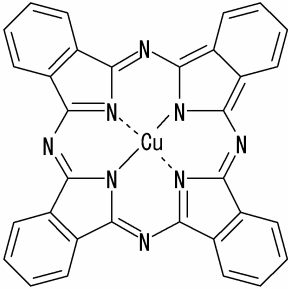
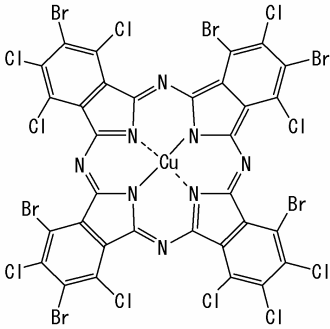
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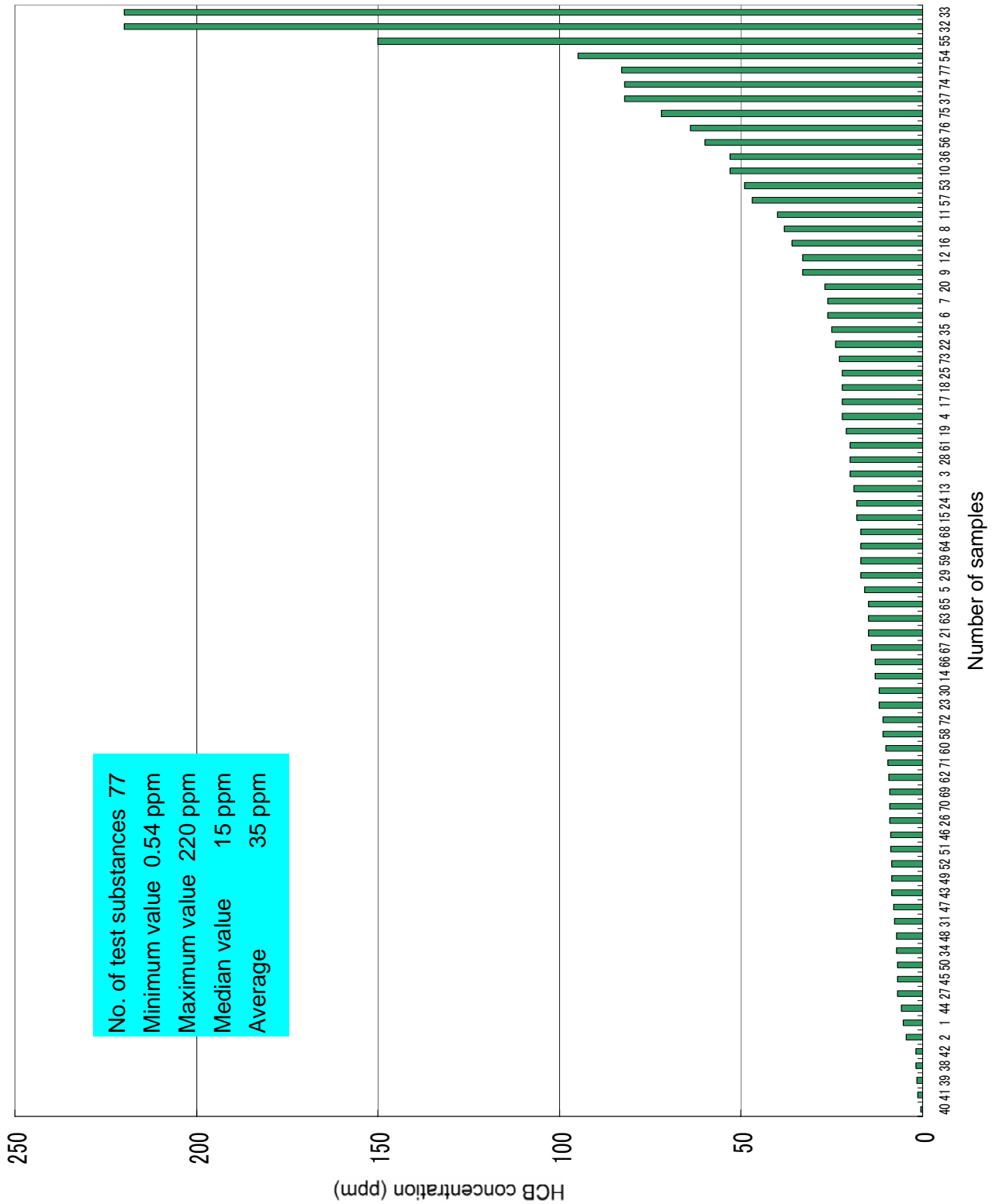
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(Representative example)		English name: C.I. Pigment Green 7 CAS registration number: 1328-53-6, 14832-14-5 EINECS number: 215-524-7
2	Composition formula	C ₃₂ Cl ₁₆ CuN ₈ (Representative example)
3	Molecular weight	1127.19 (Representative example)
4	Low concerning the Evaluation of Chemical Substances and Regulation of Their Manufacture	
	Category	Existing chemicals
	CSSL No.	5-3315
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5	Physicochemical property	
	Appearance	Green powder (provided by manufacturer MSDS)
	Density	2.10 ± 0.20 g/cm ³ (provided by manufacturer MSDS)
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	Boiling point	–
	Vapor pressure	–
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	LogPow	–
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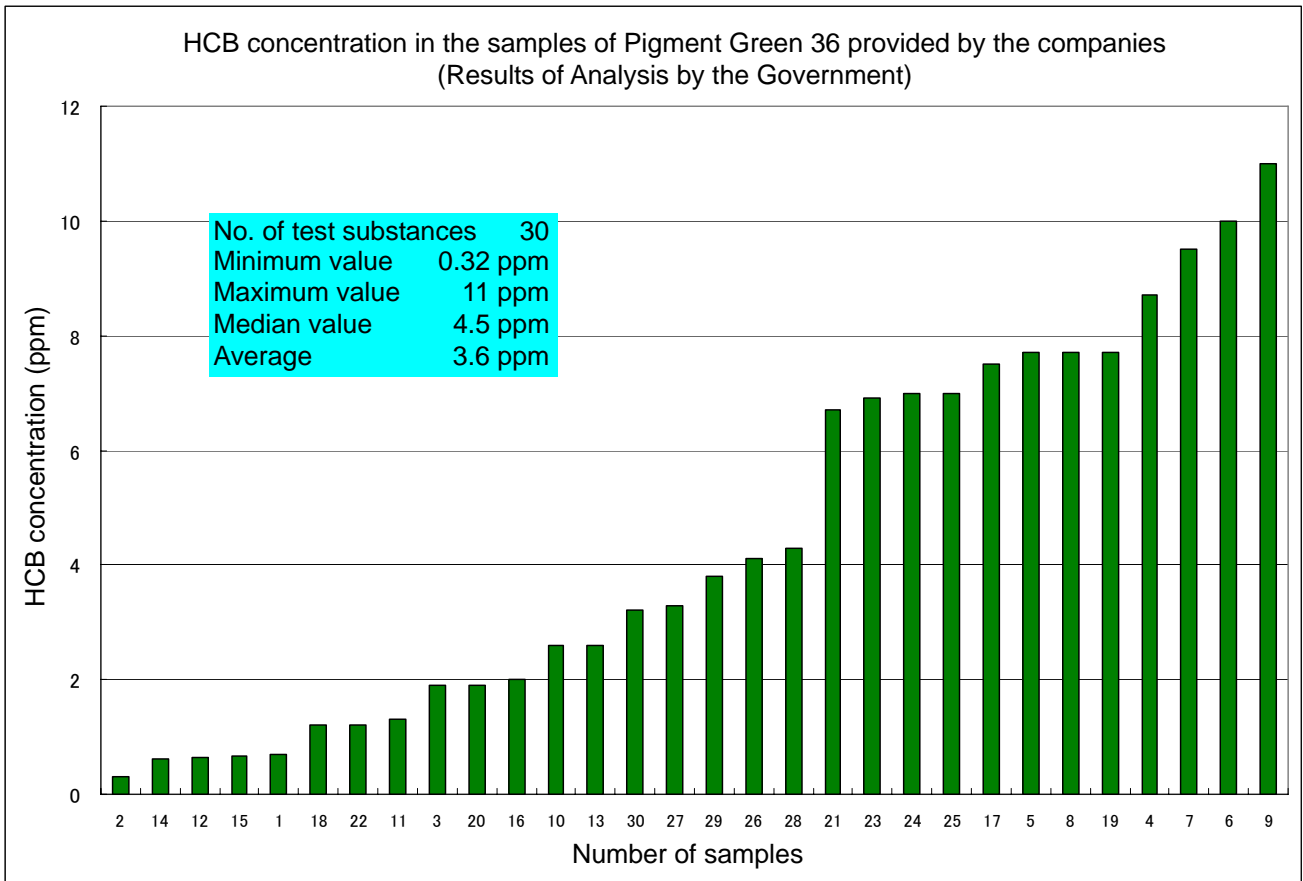
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2	Composition formula	$C_{32}Br_6Cl_{10}CuN_8$ (Representative example)
3	Molecular weight	1393.9 (Representative example)
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5	Physicochemical property (provided by manufacturer's MSDS)	
	Appearance	Green powder
	Density	$2.70 \pm 0.30 \text{ g/cm}^3$
	Melting point	–
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Examples of measurement of HCB content in phthalocyanine using GC/MS

I. GC/MS measurement conditions

Gas chromatograph (GC):	HP6890 (Agilent Technologies)
Mass spectrometer (MS):	AutoSpec-Ultima (Micromass)
Column:	ENV-5MS (internal diameter 0.25 mm, length 30 m, film thickness 0.25 μm , ; Kanto Chemical Co., Ltd.)
Oven temperature:	80 degrees Celsius (1 min.) \rightarrow 20 degrees Celsius/min \rightarrow 160 degrees C \rightarrow 5degrees Celsius/min \rightarrow 200 degrees C \rightarrow 40 degrees Celsius/min \rightarrow 280 degrees Celsius
Injection port temperature:	280 degrees Celsius
Carrier gas:	helium (steady flow volume mode at 1.5 mL/min)
Infusion quantity:	1 μL (splitless)
Transfer line temperature:	280 degrees Celsius
Ionization method:	Electron impact ionization method
Ion detection method:	Selected ion detection (SIM) method by Lockmass mode
Electron acceleration voltage:	36 V
Ionizing current:	500 μA
Ion source temperature:	280 degrees Celsius
Ion accelerating voltage:	8 kV
Resolution (10% valley):	10000
Accelerated voltage switching cycle:	0.59 second
Measured mass number:	set mass numbers are given in Table 1.

Table 1 Setting Mass Number

Target substances	m/z
HCB	283.8102 , 285.8072
$^{13}\text{C}_6\text{-HCB}$	289.8303 , 291.8273
$^{13}\text{C}_{12}\text{-TeCB}$	301.9626 , 303.9597

II. Preparation method for sample solution

0.01 g of a sample was dissolved in sulfuric acid for a constant volume of 50 mL. Then, 1 mL was taken out to which 4 mL of hexane and a known quantity of cleanup spike ($^{13}\text{C}_6\text{-HCB}$) were added, followed by the liquid extraction for taking out the hexane layer. After repeating the procedure twice, the hexane layer obtained was concentrated to some 1 mL for the cleanup using silica gel cartridges (Spelclean made

by Supelco, LC-Si 6 mL glass Tube, 1 g). After concentrating 10 mL of the hexane eluate obtained, the syringe spike internal substance ($^{13}\text{C}_{12}$ -TeCB (#70), nonan solution) was added to make it 50 μL for use as sample solution.

III. Preparation of the calibration curve

The concentration of HCB standard solutions prepared with nonane was ranged from 0.5 ng/mL to 1000 ng/mL gradually. The concentration of the internal substance in the standard solution for preparing the calibration curve was all set at 10 ng/mL for $^{13}\text{C}_6$ -HCB and 25 ng/mL for $^{13}\text{C}_{12}$ -TeCB.

IV. Quantitative determination and confirmation

1 μL of sample solution was taken out to be injected in the GC/MS to form the SIM chromatogram. If the retention time of the HCB peak on the chromatogram was the same and the peak area ratio of the two monitor ions was equivalent to the area ratio of the isotope, it then was identified as HCB and its quantity was determined.

V. Results and Discussion

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Figure 1 shows SIM chromatograms of HCB analysis in the samples of phthalocyanine pigments (example of Pigment Green 36)

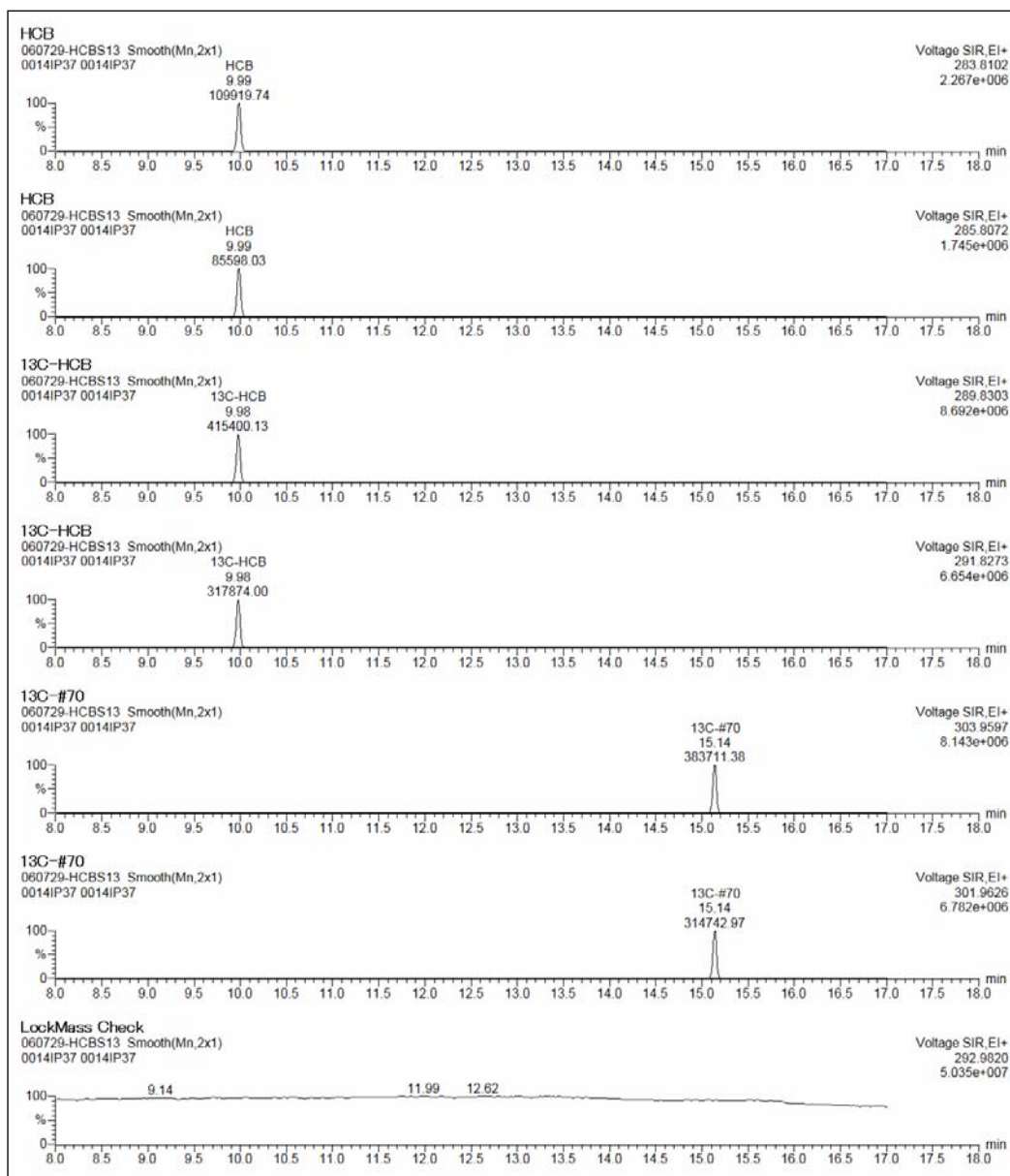


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The lockmass variable chart at the bottom of Figure 1 is stable to indicate the favorable purification of the sample solution through the cleanup procedure.

2. Calibration Curve and Quantitation Limit

The peak area ratio of the standard substance to the reference substance in the cleanup spike was calculated by obtaining the peak areas of the standard substance and the internal substance for cleanup spike. Using this peak area ratio and the concentration ratio between the standard substance in the standard solution and the cleanup spike, the calibration curve was formed to calculate the relative response factor (RRF). The RRF value was calculated for all concentrations on the calibration curve with the following formula (1).

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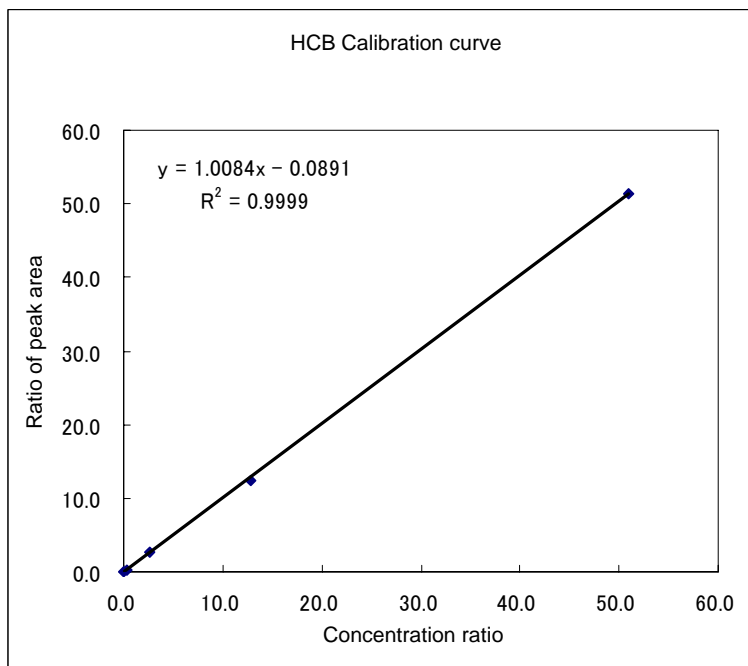


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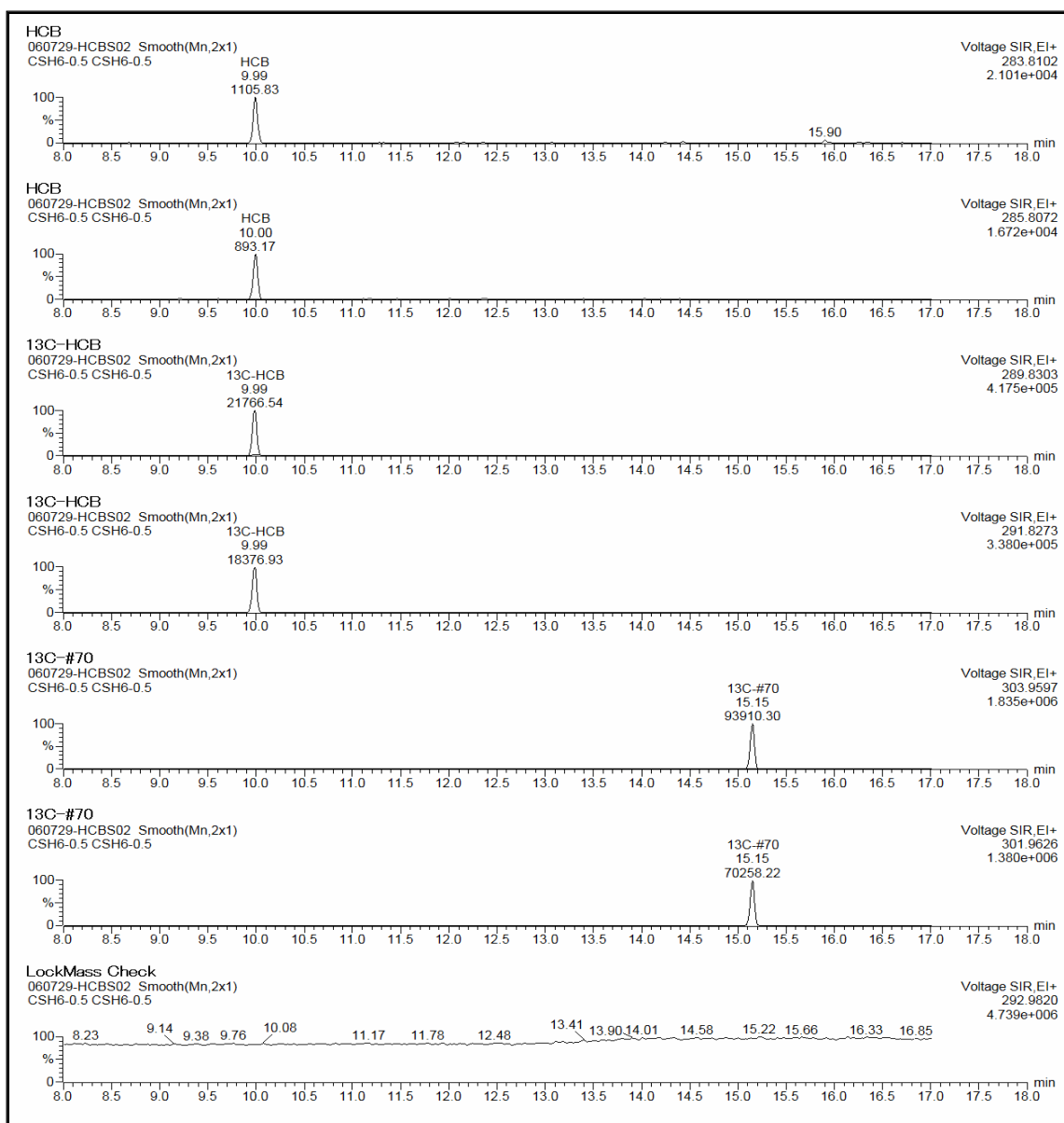


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