Supporting Information

Improved solid-phase extraction protocol and sensitive quantification of six microcystins in water using an HPLC-orbitrap mass spectrometry system

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Fig. S1. SIM mass spectra of (A) MC-RR, (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR



Fig. S2. The LC-ESI-MS calibration curves for quantification of (A) MC-RR, (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR in a mixture of MCs in tap water after 25x preconcentration. Error bars represent standard deviations of EIC peak areas of MC monoisotopic ions (n=3).



Fig. S3. The LC-ESI-MS calibration curves for quantification of (A) MC-RR, (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR in a mixture of MCs in lake water after 25x preconcentration. Error bars represent standard deviations of EIC peak areas of MC monoisotopic ions (n=3).



Fig. S4. The EICs corresponding to separation of (A) MC-RR, (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR from the solution containing 1 ng/L of each MC in lake water. After 25x preconcentration, the concentration of each MC in this solution was ~25 ng/L.



Fig. S5. SIM mass spectra of (A) doubly-charged MC-RR ion and singly-charged (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR ions, whose *m/z* values are 519.7901, 910.4916, 986.5228, 995.5559, 1025.5336, and 1045.5354, respectively. Spectra were obtained from EICs of six MCs shown in Fig. S4.



Fig. S6. SIM-MS/MS spectra of (A) doubly-charged MC-RR ion and singly-charged (B) MC-LA, (C) MC-LF, (D) MC-LR, (E) MC-LW, and (F) MC-YR ions, whose *m*/*z* values are 519.7901, 910.4916, 986.5228, 995.5559, 1025.5336, and 1045.5354, respectively.