

ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System: Analytical Performance for Catecholamines and Metanephrines

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Abstract

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Introduction

The Waters ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System enables the quantification of organic compounds in human biological liquid matrices.

This document describes a test of the analytical performance of the ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System for the analysis of norepinephrine, epinephrine, dopamine, normetanephrine, metanephrine, and 3-methoxytyramine in urine.



ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System.

Experimental

The ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System was controlled by MassLynx™ IVD Software (v4.1) and the data processed using the TargetLynx™ Application Manager. Calibrators and Quality Controls were prepared by spiking commercially available reference material in urine and the samples were processed using the following conditions.

Sample Preparation Conditions

400 μ L acidified urine was diluted with 1 mL of 0.5 M ammonium acetate buffer. Samples were loaded onto Oasis™ WCX 30 mg plates, washed, and eluted prior to analysis.

LC Conditions

Column: ACQUITY UPLC BEH Amide 1.7 μ m, 2.1 mm x 100 mm

Mobile phase A:	95:5 Water:acetonitrile containing 50 mM NH ₄ HCOO, pH 3.0
Mobile phase B:	15:85 Water:acetonitrile containing 30 mM NH ₄ HCOO, pH 3.0
Flow rate:	0.6 mL/min
Gradient:	100% B over 1 minute, 100–90% B from 1–2 minutes, 90% B at 1.0 mL/min at 2.1 minutes, 90–70% B from 2.1–2.5 minutes

MS Conditions

Resolution:	MS1 (0.75 FWHM), MS2 (0.75 FWHM)
Acquisition mode:	MRM
Polarity:	ESI (+)

Results and Discussion

Performance characteristics of catecholamines and metanephrines on the ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System are shown in Table 1. Analytical selectivity of the chromatographic separation is illustrated in Figure 1.

Compound	Range (ng/mL)	LLOQ (ng/mL)	%RSD at LLOQ	Max imprecision	Max bias
3-methoxytyramine	21.7–521.2	21.7	3.1%	5.0%	9.8%
Metanephrine	11.2–510.7	10.7	1.8%	2.9%	4.0%
Normetanephrine	18.3–517.8	17.8	1.1%	4.2%	3.4%
Epinephrine	0.5–500	0.5	8.6%	6.2%	-4.6%
Dopamine	6.5–506	6.0	4.2%	11%	-7.9%
Norepinephrine	5.1–504.6	4.6	16.3%	14.8%	-6.0%

Table 1. Performance characteristics of the analytes evaluated. Range defined by linear fit where $r^2 > 0.99$. LLOQ defined by $S/N (PtP) > 10$ and $\%RSD \leq 20\%$. $\%RSD$ at LLOQ determined through analytical sensitivity experiments ($n=5$). Maximum imprecision and bias determined over four concentrations ($N=4$).

Note: To convert conventional mass units to SI units multiply by 5.98 for 3-MT, 5.07 for MTN, 5.46 for NMT and EP, 6.53 for DA, and 5.91 for NE. All conversions are from ng/mL to nmol/L.

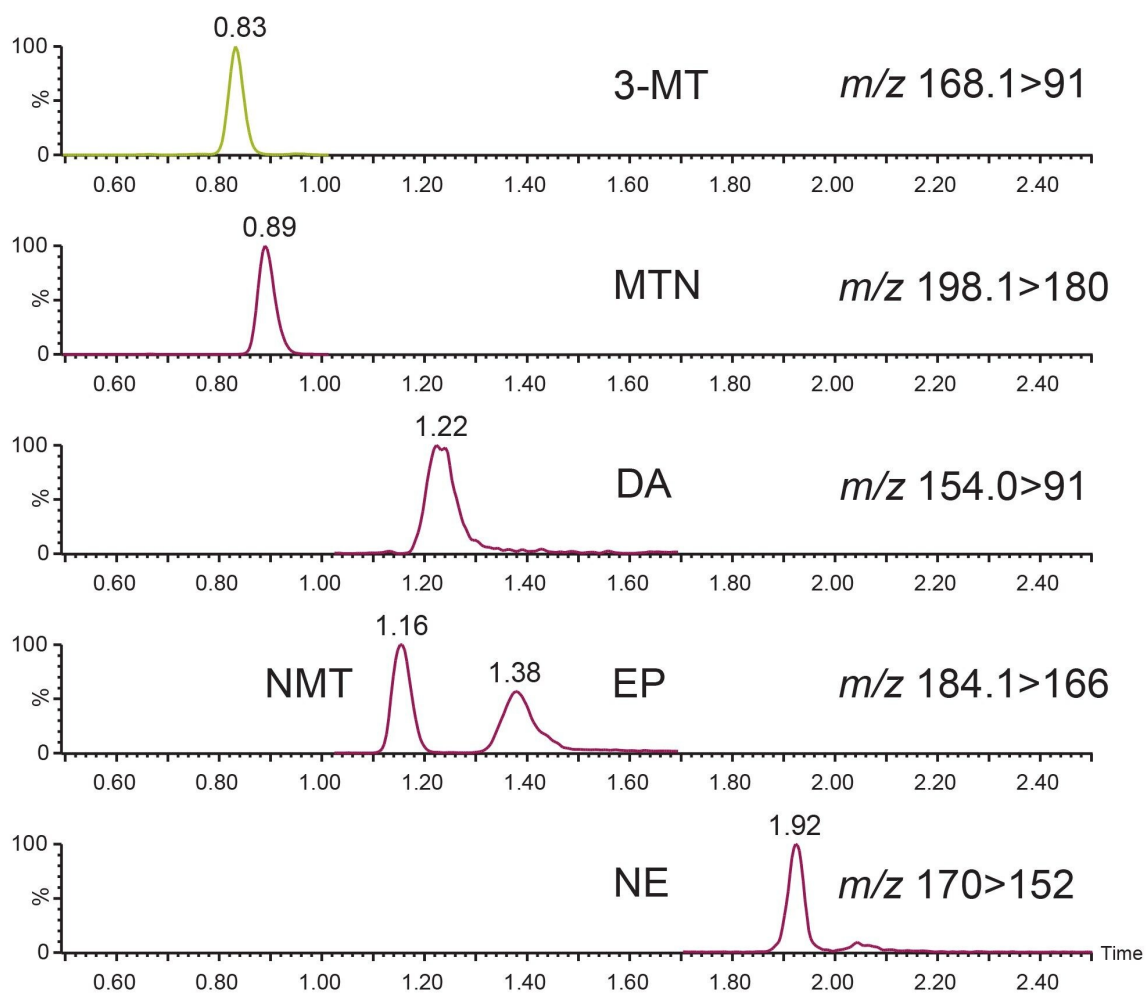


Figure 1. Chromatographic selectivity of catecholamines and metanephrines using the ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System.

Note: 3-MT – 3-methoxytyramine; MTN – metanephrine; DA – dopamine; NMT – normetanephrine; EP – epinephrine; NE – norepinephrine.

Conclusion

The Waters™ ACQUITY UPLC I-Class/Xevo TQD IVD System has demonstrated the capability to deliver analytically sensitive and precise chromatography for the analysis of 3-methoxytyramine, metanephrine,

normetanephrine, dopamine, epinephrine, and norepinephrine in urine.

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