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Note d'application

Renatadx Screening System: Analytical Performance for Amino Acids, Free Carnitines and Acylcarnitines in Dried Blood Spots

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Introduction

The Waters RenataDX Screening System enables flowinjection analysis and quantification of organic compounds in biological matrices.

This document describes a test of the analytical performance of the RenataDX Screening System for the analysis of amino acids, free carnitines, and acylcarnitines in dried blood spots.



RenataDX Screening System.

Experimental

Extracted dried blood spot (DBS) control samples were analyzed with the RenataDX Screening System, under the control of MassLynx IVD Software (v4.2), with data processed using IonLynx Application Manager.

Sample Description

A single 3-mm diameter DBS punch was incubated in a methanol-based internal standard solution. After the incubation period, the samples were transferred from the extraction plate to a clean 96-well microtitre plate.

Flow-Injection Analysis Conditions

System tubing:

~1 meter PEEK (0.005" ID) with post injection valve inline filter (2 μm pore size)

Mobile phase A:

80% Acetonitrile_(aq) with 0.05% (v/v) formic acid

20% Methanol_(aq)

3777C wash 1:

80% Acetonitrile_(aq) with 0.05% (v/v) formic acid

Flow rate:

Variable flow rate from 150 μL/min to 15 μL/min, with 500 μL/min flush

MS Conditions

Resolution: MS1 (0.70 FWHM), MS2 (0.70 FWHM)

Acquisition mode: MRM

Polarity: ESI+

Results and Discussion

The imprecision of extraction and analysis of amino acids and acylcarnitines is illustrated in Tables 1 and 2. The Peak-to-Peak (PtP) Signal-to-Noise ratio (S/N) is shown, as an indication of the analytical sensitivity of the system.

Compound	Endogenous				QC1		QC2			
	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)	
Glycine	218	13.7	18.5	605	11.3	5.19	1030	10.0	56.7	
Alanine	229	10.2	101	851	9.72	652	928	7.08	156	
Proline	81.1	11.7	71.1	314	9.07	178	669	7.24	200	
Valine	54.2	9.92	157	239	9.36	593	405	7.60	468	
Leucine	88.2	9.52	179	384	10.1	618	564	6.98	1232	
Phenylalanine	33.4	9.95	106	179	9.47	798	506	6.54	1789	
Citrulline	N/D	N/A	N/A	58.0	17.0	11.3	264	10.9	44.6	
Tyrosine	34.5	9.40	19.9	191	9.00	269	513	7.70	671	
Methionine	10.5	10.2	28.0	77.9	8.53	94.4	244	7.57	151	
Arginine	N/D	N/A	N/A	34.9	10.4	21.6	123	7.24	103	

Table 1. Performance characteristics of the amino acid analytes. Between-batch imprecision experiments were performed on five occasions (n=25); μM in whole blood, accounting for the dilution of the DBS material into the extraction solution; endogenous=DBS control from a single donor; QC1 and 2 of commercial origin; N/D=not detected i.e. imprecision $\geq 20\% CV \pm S/N$ (PtP) ≤ 3 ; N/A=not applicable.

0	Endogenous			QC1			QC2		
Compound	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)	Conc (µM)	%CV	S/N (PtP)
Free carnitine (C0)	10.9	10.9	79.8	38.9	10.7	199	99.9	7.91	756
Acetylcarntine (C2)	6.93	9.63	98.1	17.7	9.42	343	52.4	6.94	890
Propionylcarnitine (C3)	0.66	9.50	70.2	3.99	10.5	296	11.5	6.77	2376
Malonyl / Hydroxyvalerylcarnitine (C3DC/C4OH)	0.04	16.6	15.7	N/S	N/A	N/A	N/S	N/A	N/A
Butyrylcarnitine (C4)	0.07	11.8	14.3	0.72	8.91	106	3.32	6.22	867
Isovalerylcarnitine (C5)	0.04	11.6	8.44	0.40	11.5	63.9	1.81	8.31	106
Glutarylcarnitine (C5DC)	N/D	N/A	N/A	0.48	13.4	12.3	2.12	14.6	34.8
Methylmalonyl / Hydroxyisovalerylcarnitine (C4DC/C5OH)	0.37	9.72	106	0.15	10.1	21.7	0.22	8.51	49.4
Hexanoylcarnitine (C6)	N/D	N/A	N/A	0.41	11.7	176	2.07	7.52	407
Octanoylcarnitine (C8)	N/D	N/A	N/A	0.44	12.8	86.7	2.23	9.48	268
Decanoylcarnitine (C10)	N/D	N/A	N/A	0.40	15.7	386	2.00	11.9	654
Dodecanoylcarnitine (C12)	N/D	N/A	N/A	0.40	15.5	249	2.04	11.0	504
Tetradecanoylcarnitine (C14)	0.03	18.6	9.40	0.45	13.1	413	2.13	9.63	1025
Palmitoylcarnitine (C16)	0.68	13.3	387	4.08	11.3	248	12.3	8.30	816
Octadecenoylcarnitine (C18)	0.49	12.1	78.3	2.21	9.24	131	8.15	6.98	427

Table 2. Performance characteristics of the free carnitine and acylcarnitine analytes. Between-batch imprecision experiments were performed over five occasions (n=25); μ M in whole blood, accounting for the dilution of the DBS material into the extraction solution; endogenous=DBS from a single donor; QC1 and 2 of commercial origin; N/S=not supplemented; N/A=not applicable; N/D=not detected, i.e. imprecision \geq 20%CV \pm S/N (PtP) \leq 3.

Conclusion

The Waters RenataDX Screening System has demonstrated the capability to measure a subset of amino acids,

free carnitines, and acylcarnitines. The endogenous concentration of some analytes was at the limit of detection of the RenataDX System.

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