

## Section Two

### Urine Toxicology

#### 2.4 Liquid-Liquid Extraction Methods for Qualitative GC/MSD Confirmation

##### 2.4.1 General Extraction of Urine for Basic and Neutral or Acidic and Neutral Compounds

###### 2.4.1.1 BACKGROUND

These extraction procedures are extensions of the TOXI-LAB<sup>®</sup> TOXI-A and TOXI-B thin layer chromatography (TLC) drug detection systems. The samples are extracted as with the TLC system, however, instead of concentrating the extract onto a disc, the solvent extract is concentrated and placed into an automated liquid sampler (ALS) vial for analysis by a gas chromatograph equipped with a mass selective detector (GC/MSD).

###### 2.4.1.2 SCOPE

This procedure describes the extraction of drug compounds from urine. Depending upon the  $pK_a$  of a drug compound, either Toxi-A or Toxi-B tubes are used. Basic and neutral compounds are extracted with a Toxi-A tube. Addition of urine to the Toxi-A tube results in the sample becoming alkaline and basic and neutral drugs thus extract into a solvent mixture (1,2-Dichloroethane, dichloromethane, heptane and isopropanol). The TOXI-B tube is used for acidic and neutral compounds. Urine placed into the TOXI-B tube becomes acidic resulting in acidic and neutral compounds being extracted into a solvent mixture (methylene chloride and heptane with zinc chloride to facilitate the extraction process). Either resulting extract is analyzed by full scan GC/MS in EI mode.

###### 2.4.1.3 EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

- 2.4.1.3.1 Tube Rocker
- 2.4.1.3.2 Solvent concentrator with appropriate concentration cups or tube
- 2.4.1.3.3 Laboratory Centrifuge
- 2.4.1.3.4 Automated Liquid Sampler (ALS) vials
- 2.4.1.3.5 GC/MS Vial Microinsert
- 2.4.1.3.6 Gas Chromatograph equipped with a mass selective detector and a low bleed (5%-Diphenyl-95%-Dimethylsiloxane copolymer) capillary column.

###### 2.4.1.4 REAGENTS

TOXI-TUBES A and B

**2.4.1.5 QUALITATIVE CONTROLS**

- 2.4.1.5.1 Toxi-Control No. 19, Toxi-Control No. 2, or BioRad C3
- 2.4.1.5.3 Negative Urine  
Negative urine can be commercially obtained or in-house urine verified to be negative for drugs of interest.

**2.4.1.6 QUALITATIVE NON-EXTRACTED REFERENCE MATERIAL**

- 2.4.1.6.1 Run necessary reference material as indicated by examination of GC/MSD data. Reference material mixes may be used.
- 2.4.1.6.2 Dilute reference material as necessary. A suggested dilution for a 1mg/mL solution is 1 in 3 parts of appropriate solvent.

**2.4.1.7 METHOD**

- 2.4.1.7.1 Toxi-A Extraction (Basic and Neutral Compounds)
- 2.4.1.7.1.1 Label TOXI-TUBES A and ALS vials with microinserts for negative control, TC-19 and/or TC-2 positive control and appropriate laboratory numbers.
- 2.4.1.7.1.2 Transfer  $\cong$  5 mL of casework, negative and positive control urine to appropriate TOXI-TUBE A (pH=9).
- 2.4.1.7.1.3 Rock TOXI-TUBE A for at least 10 minutes.
- 2.4.1.7.1.4 Centrifuge tube at  $\cong$ 2500 rpm for  $\cong$ 10 minutes.
- 2.4.1.7.1.5 Transfer solvent and evaporate to  $\cong$ 100-300 $\mu$ L.
- 2.4.1.7.1.6 Transfer solvent to labeled GC/MS ALS vial with microinsert.
- 2.4.1.7.2 Toxi-B Extraction (Acidic and Neutral Compounds)
- 2.4.1.7.2.1 Label TOXI-TUBES B and ALS vials with microinserts for negative control, TC-19 or BioRad C3 positive control and appropriate laboratory numbers.
- 2.4.1.7.2.2 Transfer  $\cong$ 4.5 mL of casework, negative and Toxi-Control 19 or BioRad C3 urine to appropriate TOXI-TUBE B (pH=4.5).

- 2.4.1.7.2.3 Rock TOXI-TUBE B for at least 10 minutes.
- 2.4.1.7.2.4 Centrifuge tube at  $\approx 2500$  rpm for  $\approx 10$  minutes.
- 2.4.1.7.2.5 Transfer solvent and evaporate to  $\approx 100$ - $300\mu\text{L}$ .
- 2.4.1.7.2.6 Transfer solvent to labeled GC/MS ALS vial with microinsert.

#### 2.4.1.7.3

##### Preparation for Analysis Run

- 2.4.1.7.3.1 Into Sequence log table, enter the sample case numbers, blanks and controls.
- 2.4.1.7.3.2 Load samples, reference materials, blank and controls into the quadrant rack as noted in the sequence table.

#### 2.4.1.7.4

##### GC-MSD Analysis Parameters

- 2.4.1.7.4.1 Refer to instrument METHOD printout for current analysis parameters.
- 2.4.1.7.4.2 Current analysis method must be stored centrally as a hard or electronic copy.

#### 2.4.1.7.5

##### Detection and Identification Criteria

The presence of a drug compound is indicated if the retention time for the sample versus applicable reference material does not differ by more than  $\pm 0.2$  minutes and there are no significant differences in the mass spectral data.

### 2.4.1.8

#### **QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- 2.4.1.8.1 Refer to toxicology analytical methods 5.8 and 5.10 for additional quality assurance and reference material authentication requirements.

### 2.4.1.9

#### **ANALYSIS DOCUMENTATION**

- 2.4.1.9.1 Original data for controls will be prepared for each analysis run and stored centrally in the laboratory where the analysis was performed until archiving.

- 2.4.1.9.2 A copy of controls need not be included in individual case files. When necessary, a copy of control printouts can be prepared from the centrally stored document.

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2	10-17-2002	Refinements
3	05-07-2007	Updated QA measures and reformatting.
4	07-28-2008	QA requirements clarified
5	12-16-2011	Added BRC3 as a positive control option, reduced concentration amount of extract from 200-300ul to 100-300ul. Clarified that centrifuge times and speeds are approximated. Changed tube rocking from 15 minutes to at least 10 minutes Changed centrifuge time from 15 minutes to about 10.