

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

## Sample preparation

EX00708 CHEAR Urine (n=390)- Ferguson  
Add CHEER Urine controls.

**Table I: IS stock solution - RP-LC and HILIC Recovery Standards**

Internal Standards	Source	Cat#	IS stock solution concentration	Rt
L- <sup>15</sup> N-Anthranalic acid			200 uM	
L- <sup>15</sup> N <sub>2</sub> - Tryptophan			200 uM	
L-D <sub>4</sub> -Thymine			200 uM	
Gibberelic acid			200 uM	
L-Epibrassinolide			200 uM	

**Table II: IS stock solution – RP-LC Injection Standards**

Internal Standards	Source	Cat#	IS stock solution concentration	Rt
Zeatine			200 uM	

### Sample Crash/Preparation

1. To precipitate proteins **400µL** MAA containing 2.5 µM Recovery standards is added to **100µL** of sample.
2. **Vortex** them at rate of 2000 RPM for 5 min in the shaker.
3. **Incubate** the samples at 4°C for 30 min.
4. **Vortex** and leave them at -20°C for 1 hr.
5. **Centrifuge** samples vials at 14,000RPM at 4°C for 10 min.
6. Transfer **200µL** precipitated supernatant of each sample to a clean vial and dry.
7. Repeat in new vial for 2<sup>nd</sup> phase.
8. Store in -20°C capped until ready for analysis.
9. Add **50 µL MeOH: Water (50:50) containing RP Injection standard.**
10. **Vortex** to mix for 2 min and centrifuge them for 5 min at 14,000RPM.
11. Transfer sample to an autovial containing glass insert.
12. Centrifuge autovial/insert containing sample volume at 4000RPM for 20 min in 4 °C to clarify sample and remove any bubbles.

# LC-MS

## CHROMATOGRAPHY

1290 Infinity Binary LC System from Agilent is used for chromatographic separation together with Waters Acquity UPLC HSS T3 1.8  $\mu\text{m}$  2.1 x 100 mm column in connection with a Water Acquity UPLC HSS T3 1.8  $\mu\text{m}$  VanGuard pre-column.

- Data acquisition: time 27 min
- System equilibration time: 7 min
- Total run length: 34 min
- Flow rate: 0.45 ml/min
- Solvent A: 0.1% formic acid in water
- Solvent B: 0.1% formic acid in methanol
- Column temperature: 55°C
- Flow rate 0.45 ml/min

Same chromatography is used for both positive and negative mode (Table 13).

Table 1. LC gradient timetable

Time	Solvent composition
0 min	98%A : 2%B
20 min	25%A : 75%B
22 min	2%A : 98%B
30 min	2%A : 98%B
30.1 min	98%A : 2%B
37 min	98%A : 2%B

## MASS SPECTROSCOPY

Agilent Technologies 6530 Accurate-Mass Q-TOF with a dual ASJ ESI ion source was used as the mass detector. Mass spectrometer settings were as follows: Ion source: gas temperature - 325 °C, drying gas flow - 10 l/min, nebulizer pressure - 45 psig, sheath gas temperature - 400 °C, sheath gas flow - 12 l/ml, capillary voltage - 4000 V. fragmentor voltage - 140 V, skimmer voltage - 65 V, mass range 50-1000 m/z, acquisition rate 2 spectra/s. Inline mass calibration was performed using debrisoquine sulfate (m/z 176.1182) and HP-0921 from Agilent (m/z 922.0098) in positive mode and 4-NBA (m/z 166.0146) and HP-0921 from Agilent (m/z 966.0007, formate adduct) in negative mode.

## Data analysis

Raw data processing was done using Agilent software (MassHunter Qual and ProFinder). Data analysis was performed with Agilent MassProfiler Pro package using recursive analysis workflow. Custom R scripts were used for data normalization.