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## **APPLICATION**

# Analyzing β-Gone™ β-Glucuronidase Removal Centrifuge Tube Recovery and Clean Up

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**Campbell Enzyme Prepared** 

### Introduction

This technical note describes how  $\beta$ -Gone  $\beta$ -Glucuronidase Removal 2mL Centrifuge Tubes can be used for the analysis of most comprehensive drugs research panel suites prepared from a urine hydrolysate. By selectively removing the  $\beta$ -glucuronidase, column lifetime is improved versus a standard "dilute-and-shoot" protocol while achieving exceptional recovery for all classes of compounds.

### **Materials and Methods**

All reagents and solvents were HPLC or analytical grade. Analyses were performed using an API 4000 $^{\text{\tiny M}}$  LC-MS/MS (SCIEX $^{\text{\tiny 0}}$ , Framingham, MA).

### Sample Preparation

### **Enzymatic Hydrolysis**

Campbell Enzyme Hydrolysate was prepared as follows:

- 1) Add 10 µL of analyte spike (1 µg/mg) to 200 µL urine
- 2) Dilute with 100  $\mu$ L of 0.1 M ammonium acetate buffer and add 40  $\mu$ L of Campbell Science  $\beta$ -Glucuronidase Enzyme Solution (Campbell Part No.: DR2102)
- 3) Add 400  $\mu$ L 0.1 % formic acid in water. Proceed to  $\beta$ -Gone Centrifuge Tube Protocol.

IMCSzyme® Hydrolysate Mix was prepared as follows:

- 1) Add 10 µL of analyte spike (1 µg/mg) to 140 µL urine
- Dilute with 80 µL of IMCS buffer (IMCS Part No.: 04-EZ-RHB-20) and add 30 µL of IMCS Enzyme (IMCS Part No.:04-E1F-010). Proceed to β-Gone Centrifuge Tube Protocol.

### **β-Gone Centrifuge Tube Protocol**

- 1) Tap tube prior to use to consolidate sorbent
- Combine 200 μL of urine hydrolysate with 133 μL of 0.1 % formic acid in methanol
- 3) Load the diluted sample into the centrifuge tube
- 4) Cap and invert the tube 10 times. Vortex for 30 seconds
- 5) Centrifuge tube at 14000 rpm for 10 min (16000 xg RCF)
- 6) Collect supernatant for analysis

Table 1. Recovery Values for IMCS and Campbell Enzyme Prepared Samples

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|                     | Samples               |              | Samples               |              |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Analyte             | Average %<br>Recovery | %CV<br>(n=4) | Average %<br>Recovery | %CV<br>(n=4) |
| 6-MAM               | 108                   | 10           | 105                   | 5            |
| 7-Aminoclonazepam   | 108                   | 5            | 109                   | 6            |
| α-Hydroxyalprazolam | 105                   | 5            | 100                   | 3            |
| Alprazolam          | 106                   | 5            | 103                   | 7            |
| Amitriptyline       | 104                   | 7            | 102                   | 3            |
| Amphetamine         | 105                   | 2            | 102                   | 4            |
| Benzoylecgonine     | 110                   | 4            | 98                    | 4            |
| Buprenorphine       | 100                   | 2            | 103                   | 5            |
| Carisoprodol        | 110                   | 5            | 98                    | 5            |
| Citalopram          | 104                   | 5            | 104                   | 2            |
| Codeine             | 103                   | 9            | 100                   | 6            |
| Cotinine            | 112                   | 9            | 99                    | 2            |
| Diazepam            | 103                   | 6            | 99                    | 2            |
| EDDP                | 104                   | 4            | 105                   | 4            |
| Fentanyl            | 106                   | 6            | 101                   | 3            |
| Fluoxetine          | 101                   | 5            | 104                   | 3            |
| Gabapentin          | 112                   | 6            | 98                    | 3            |
| Hydrocodone         | 110                   | 8            | 103                   | 5            |
| Hydromorphone       | 110                   | 10           | 106                   | 3            |
| Imipramine          | 103                   | 5            | 101                   | 2            |
| Lorazepam           | 102                   | 2            | 97                    | 4            |
| MDA                 | 111                   | 7            | 93                    | 3            |
| MDEA                | 109                   | 6            | 98                    | 3            |
| MDMA                | 110                   | 5            | 96                    | 2            |
| Meperidine          | 102                   | 5            | 103                   | 0            |
| Meprobamate         | 106                   | 4            | 104                   | 4            |
| Methadone           | 105                   | 7            | 103                   | 3            |
| Methamphetamine     | 106                   | 6            | 102                   | 1            |
| Methylphenidate     | 95                    | 6            | 101                   | 2            |
| Morphine            | 115                   | 8            | 101                   | 6            |
| Naloxone            | 112                   | 13           | 100                   | 7            |
| Norbuprenorphine    | 106                   | 4            | 114                   | 6            |
| Nordiazepam         | 106                   | 6            | 100                   | 4            |
| Norfentanyl         | 97                    | 4            | 109                   | 5            |
| Norhydrocodone      | 108                   | 8            | 102                   | 4            |
| Noroxycodone        | 99                    | 10           | 99                    | 7            |
| Nortriptyline       | 105                   | 6            | 102                   | 2            |
| O-Desmethyltramadol | 105                   | 4            | 100                   | 3            |
| Oxazepam            | 103                   | 7            | 97                    | 7            |
| Oxycodone           | 111                   | 5            | 103                   | 7            |
| Oxymorphone         | 108                   | 8            | 104                   | 1            |
| Paroxetine          | 102                   | 7            | 107                   | 3            |
| PCP                 | 102                   | 6            | 102                   | 2            |
| Pregabalin          | 133                   | 15           | 92                    | 1            |
| Ritalinic Acid      | 106                   | 7            | 97                    | 1            |
| Tapentadol          | 102                   | 6            | 94                    | 2            |
| Temazepam           | 105                   | 6            | 98                    | 3            |
| THC-COOH            | 100                   | 7            | 96                    | 4            |
| Tramadol            | 100                   | 5            | 104                   | 4            |
| Zolpidem            | 109                   | 5            | 108                   | 4            |
|                     | 100                   |              |                       |              |



### **Results and Discussion**

**Table 1** shows the average % recoveries and % CVs for the comprehensive drugs research panel suite for both the IMCS (recombinant enzyme) and the Campbell (non-recombinant/natural enzyme) solutions. In general, all compounds show an absolute recovery above 90%, and only pregabalin prepared with IMCS shows a % CV of 15 or greater, all other compounds are less than or equal to a % CV of 10.

**Figure 1** monitors the change in backpressure over the course of 200 20 μL injections between a urine sample that is prepared by dilution and one that is prepared with the  $\beta$ -Gone Centrifuge Tubes. The samples prepared with the  $\beta$ -Gone Centrifuge Tubes maintain a constant backpressure over the span of these injections while the urine samples that were prepared by "dilute-and-shoot" trend toward a higher backpressure, and in the case of the natural enzyme, pressure out before the completion of 200 injections. This shows that the sample is cleaner after being subjected to the  $\beta$ -Gone Centrifuge Tubes and could help improve column lifetime versus the standard "dilute-and-shoot" protocol.

### **HPLC Conditions**

Column: Kinetex® 2.6 µm Phenyl Hexyl 100Å

**Dimensions:** 50 x 3.0 mm **Part No.:** 00B-4495-Y0

Mobile Phase: A: 0.1 % Formic acid in Water
B: 0.1 % Formic acid in Methanol

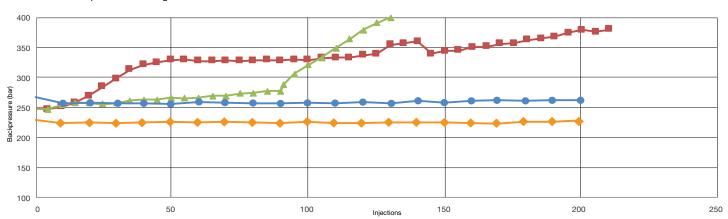
% B

Flow Rate: 0.6 mL/min Gradient: Time (min)

0 5 4 95 5.5 95 5.51 5

Detector: MS/MS API 4000™

Figure 1. Column Lifetime:  $\beta$ -Gone Centrifuge Tubes vs. Dilute-and-Shoot



Recombinant β-Glucuronidase Enzyme processed by Dilute-and-Shoot

Non-Recombinant β-Glucuronidase Enzyme processed by Dilute-and-Shoot

Recombinant β-Glucuronidase Enzyme processed with β-Gone

Non-Recombinant β-Glucuronidase Enzyme processed with β-Gone

### **Conclusion:**

By using the  $\beta$ -Gone  $\beta$ -Glucuronidase 2 mL Centrifuge Tubes, one can obtain acceptable recoveries for a large drugs of abuse suite, while improving column lifetime in comparison to a dilute-and-shoot procedure.



### **Ordering Information**

### **β-Gone™** β-Glucuronidase Removal Products

| ·                          |  |                  |
|----------------------------|--|------------------|
| Part No.                   | Description  | Unit             |
| 8B-S139-TAK                | 1 mL Tubes, Recombinant Enzyme   | 100/Box          |
| 8B-S322-DAK                | 1 mL Tubes, Non-Recombinant Enzyme   | 100/Box          |
| 8E-S139-TGA                | 96-Well Plate, Recombinant Enzyme  | 1/Box            |
| 8E-S322-DGA                | 96-Well Plate, Non-Recombinant Enzyme  | 1/Box            |
| 8N-S323-TUK                | 2 mL Centrifuge Tubes, Recombinant and Non-Recombinant Enzyme  | 100/Box          |
| 8E-S323-TGA                | 96-Well Plate Plus 30 mg/well, Recombinant/Non-Recombinant Enzyme  | 1/Box            |
| 8B-S323-UGA                | 96-Well Plate Plus 60 mg/well, Recombinant/Non-Recombinant Enzyme  | 1/Box            |
| 8N-S323-TUK<br>8E-S323-TGA | 2 mL Centrifuge Tubes, Recombinant and Non-Recombinant Enzyme<br>96-Well Plate Plus 30 mg/well, Recombinant/Non-Recombinant Enzyme | 100/Box<br>1/Box |



### Kinetex® Core-Shell LC Columns

| 2.6 µm MidBore™ Columns (mm) SecurityGuard ULTRA |             |             |             |               |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Phases   | 50 x 3.0    | 100 x 3.0   | 150 x 3.0   | 3/pk          |
| Phenyl-Hexyl                                     | 00B-4495-Y0 | 00D-4495-Y0 | 00F-4495-Y0 | AJ0-8781      |
|  |             |             |             | for 3.0 mm ID |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup> SecurityGuard ULTRA Cartridges require holder, Part No.: AJ0-9000

### **Vacuum Manifolds**

| Part No.                               | Description   | Unit |  |  |
|--|---|------|--|--|
| 12-Position Vacuum Manifold for Tubes* |   |      |  |  |
| AH0-6023                               | 12-Position Vacuum Manifold Set, complete assembly  | ea   |  |  |
| 24–Position Vacuum Manifold for Tubes* |   |      |  |  |
| AH0-6024                               | 24-Position Vacuum Manifold Set, complete assembly  | ea   |  |  |
| 96-Well Plate Manifold                 |   |      |  |  |
| AH0-8950                               | 96-Well Plate Manifold, Universal with vacuum gauge | ea   |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Manifolds include: Vacuum-tight glass chamber, vacuum gauge assembly, polypropylene lid with gasket, male and female luers and yellow end plugs, stopcock valves, collection rack assemblies, polypropylene needles, lid support legs. Waste container included with 12-position manifold.





### **Presston™ 1000 Positive Pressure Manifold**

## Part No. Description AH1-7033 Presston 1000 Positive Pressure Manifold, 96-Well Plate



Phenomenex warrants the Presston 1000 will be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal installation, use, and maintenance for a period of 12 months following delivery.

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