

Information Sheet

Polar Metabolites QC Mix

Catalog Number SBR00055

Product Description

Metabolomics is the profiling study of small molecules (metabolites) from biochemical processes and pathways,^{1,2} which are mostly characterized from samples of stool,³ serum/plasma,⁴ urine,⁵ cerebrospinal fluid,⁶ and saliva.⁷ Metabolomics deals with diverse areas like microbiome,⁸ nutrition⁹, diseases¹⁰ and agriculture¹¹, where metabolites are analyzed by two main approaches: targeted and untargeted metabolomics. Targeted metabolomics^{12,13} is the analysis of known specific chemical group such as: short chain fatty acids,¹⁶ bile acids, lipids,¹⁷ and amino acids.¹⁸ Untargeted metabolomics^{14,15} is the analysis of all unknown chemical compounds in a single sample.

Liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS) is the main method for metabolite profiling in metabolomics analysis.^{19,20}

In order to assess any variations in the LC-MS-based metabolomics analysis data, it is recommended to add an additional known QC (quality control) sample at the beginning of every analytical experiment batch with additional QC sample injections after every 4-10 unknown samples injections into the workflow steps.^{19,21,22} The known QC sample evaluates any drifting phenomenon like intensity values, ion suppression or other changes in the retention time of the materials peaks in the LC-MS data.

The Polar Metabolites QC Mix is a ready-to-use solution for mass spectroscopy workflows. By utilizing the QC mix, the user will be able to assess drifting and ion suppression phenomena. The Polar Metabolites QC Mix is comprised of 8 components (see Table 1), containing amino acids, vitamins, and nucleosides.

Components

Table 1

Components in the Polar Metabolites QC Mix

No.	Metabolite name	Empirical Formula	Exact mass	Concentration (µg/mL)	Concentration (µM)
1	Nicotinic acid	C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂	123.03	1	8.12
2	Biotin	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₃ S	244.09	1	4.09
3	Adenosine	C ₁₀ H ₁₃ N ₅ O ₄	267.10	1	3.74
4	Uridine	C ₉ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₆	244.07	10	40.95
5	Phenylacetylglutamine	C ₁₃ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₄	264.11	1	3.78
6	L-Phenylalanine	C ₉ H ₁₁ NO ₂	165.08	5	30.27
7	Cytidine	C ₉ H ₁₃ N ₃ O ₅	243.09	2	8.22
8	L-Tryptophan	C ₁₁ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₂	204.09	5	24.48

Equipment Required but Not Provided

- Column: SeQuant® ZIC®-cHILIC 3µm,100Å, 100 x 2.1 mm (Catalog Number 1506570001 or equivalent)

Precautions and Disclaimer

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Storage/Stability

The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Store at +2 °C to +8 °C upon receipt.

Preparation Instructions

The Polar Metabolites QC Mix is a ready-to-use solution supplied in a crimp top (Silicone/PTFE liner) amber vial.

Procedure

Experimental procedures provided here are an example of how to use the products. The results may vary under different experimental parameters.

Mass Spectrometry Conditions:

Instrument: Bruker™ Q-ToF Impact II
Source Type: ESI

Method A:

Ion Polarity: Positive
Capillary: 4500 V
Nebulizer: 2.2 Bar
Dry gas temperature: 200 °C
Dry gas: 8L/min

Method B:

Ion Polarity: Negative
Capillary: 5500 V
Nebulizer: 2.2 Bar
Dry gas temperature: 220 °C
Dry gas: 8L/min

LC Conditions:

Column: SeQuant ZIC-cHILIC 3µm,100Å
100 x 2.1 mm

Column oven temperature: 45 °C

Flow rate: 0.4 mL/min

Injection volume:

Method A (ESI⁺) - 1 µL

Method B (ESI⁻) - 2 µL

Gradient: See Table 2

Table 2

Time (min)	Acetonitrile [%]	10mM ammonium formate in water, pH=3
0	95	5
2	95	5
17	83	17
19	95	5
25	95	5

Figure 1

Method A: BPC chromatogram of MS ESI⁺ of Polar Metabolites QC Mix and table of peak assignments (Table 3).

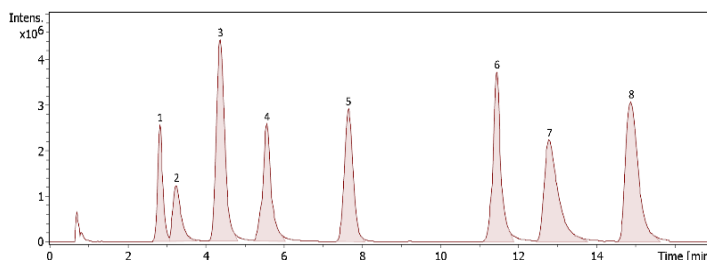
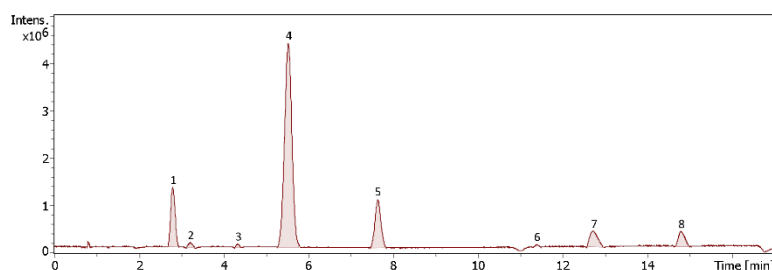


Table 3

Peak no.	Metabolite	Rt (min)
1	Biotin	2.8
2	Nicotinic acid	3.3
3	Adenosine	4.4
4	Uridine	5.6
5	Phenylacetylglutamine	7.7
6	Cytidine	11.4
7	L-Phenylalanine	12.8
8	L-Tryptophan	14.9

Figure 2

Method B: BPC chromatogram of MS ESI⁻ of Polar Metabolites QC Mix and table of peak assignments (Table 4).

**Table 4**

Peak no.	Metabolite	Rt (min)
1	Biotin	2.8
2	Nicotinic acid	3.2
3	Adenosine	4.3
4	Uridine	5.5
5	Phenylacetylglutamine	7.6
6	Cytidine	11.4
7	L-Phenylalanine	12.7
8	L-Tryptophan	14.8

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