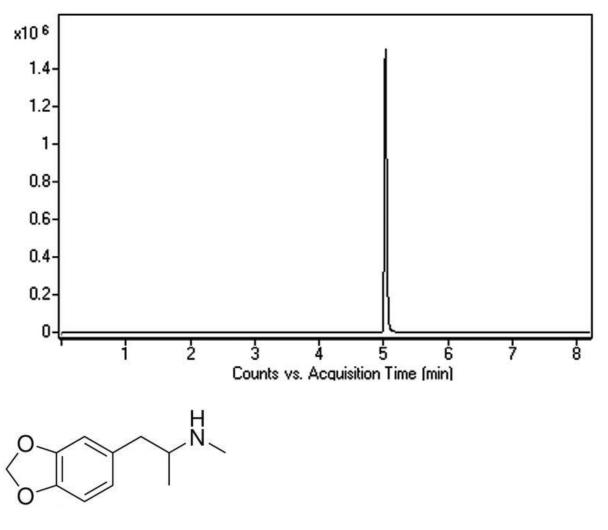


# Analysis of MDMA in Plasma Samples with LCMS - AppNote

## Methylenedioxymethamphetamine Analyzed with MS

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Under the described conditions, MDMA was retained and eluted as a Symmetrical Peak. The Sensitivity of the Method is very good and comparable to that reported with GCMS Detection [1]. Matrix effects were of minor extent and reproducible and hence should not compromise Quantification. The Method can be used for Forensic Research and Clinical Analysis.



#### Peak:

(±)-3,4-Methylenedioxymethamphetamine, m/z 194.1176 [M+H]+

#### **Method Conditions**

Column: Cogent Phenyl Hydride<sup>™</sup>, 4µm, 100Å Catalog No.: <u>69020-05P-2</u> Dimensions: 2.1 x 50mm Mobile Phase: A: DI Water / 0.1% Formic Acid (v/v)

B: Acetonitrile / 0.1% Formic Acid (v/v)

### Gradient:

Time (minutes)	%B
0	10
1	10
6	90
7	10

**Post Time**: 3 minutes **Flow rate**: 0.4mL / minute

Injection vol.: 1µL

**Sample Preparation**: 50 μl of Acetonitrile was mixed with 50μl of plasma for protein precipitation. The samples were centrifuged (*16000×g for 15 minutes*), and the supernatant was filtered through a 0.45μm Nylon Syringe Filter (MicroSolv Tech Corp.) and transferred to autosampler vials for injection. **Detection**: ESI – POS - Agilent 6210 MSD TOF Mass Spectrometer **to**: 0.9 minutes

Note: The Amphetamine derivative 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), known also as Molly or Ecstasy, is often used or abused as a recreational drug. Because of a reported high inter-individual difference of its toxicity, sensitive analytical methods are needed. A urine test is a standard method to investigate drug abuse but the method has a very low diagnostic sensitivity and makes testing in plasma much more suitable.

Reference:

[1]. R. Kikura, Y. Nakahara, T. Mieczkowski, F. Tagliaro, Forensic Sci. Int. 84 (1997) 165–177.



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