

VYUŽITÍ RŮZNÝCH SKENOVACÍCH REŽIMŮ ORBITÁLNÍ PASTI NA MODELOVÉM METABOLITU JWH-018 K DOSAŽENÍ MINIMÁLNÍCH LOD A LOQ V PROBLEMATICE BIOANALÝZY SYNTETICKÝCH KANNABINOIDŮ

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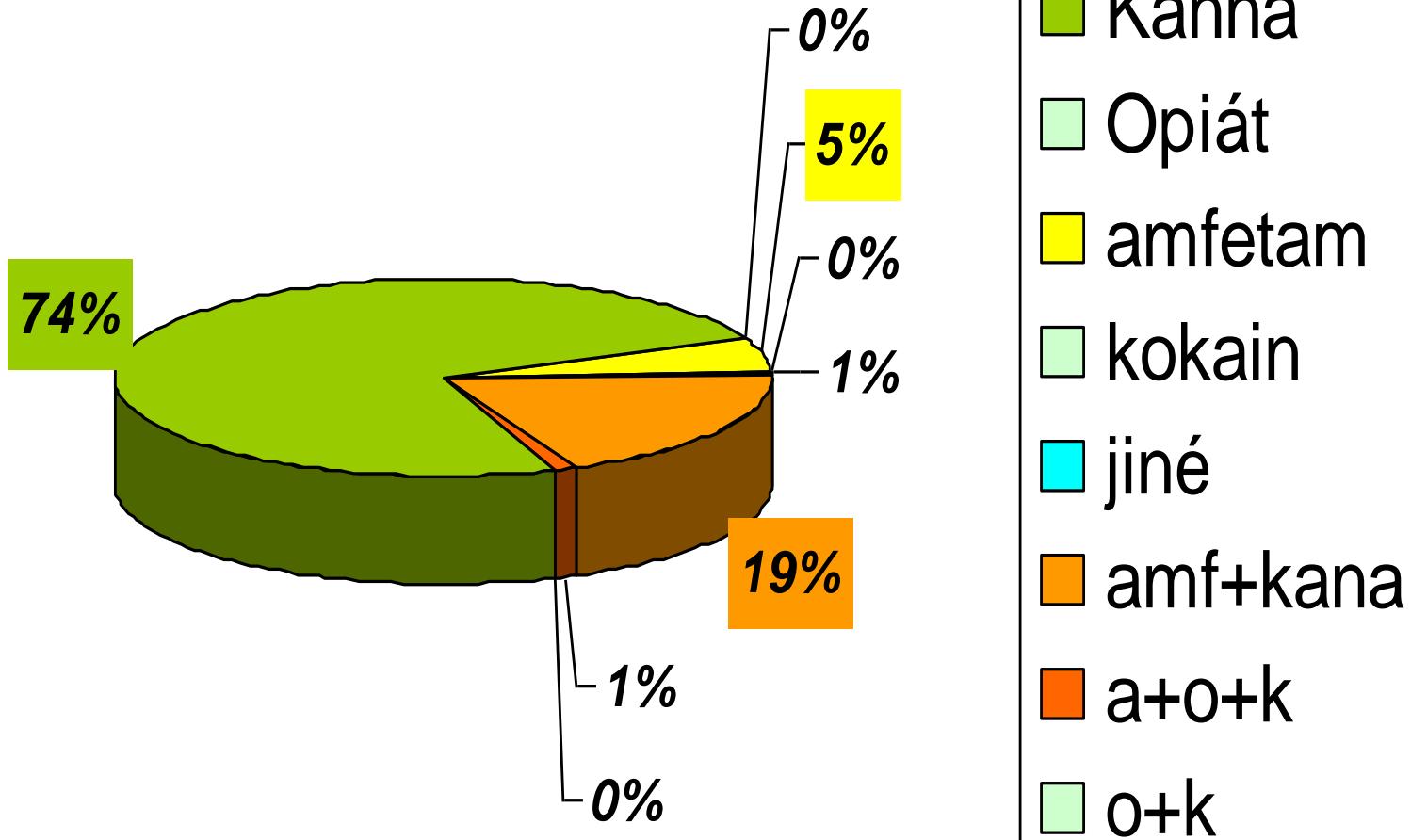
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Use of different scanning modes of the orbital trap on the model metabolite JWH-018 to achieve minimal LOD and LOQ in the issue of bioanalysis of synthetic cannabinoids





Typy drog v + záchytech



Rozdělení „nových drog“ z pohledu farmaceutické chemie

- kathinony
- psychedelické ethylaminy(IUPAC = ethanaminy), 2C řada
- psychedelické ethylaminy, deriváty (indolová řada) tryptaminu
- synthetické kannabinoidy
- deriváty benzofuranu
- arylcyklohexylaminy
- deriváty piperidinu
- piperaziny

Synthetické kannabinoidy, agonisté CB1 a CB2

- chemické CP a JWH smíšeny se sušenou herbou řady rostlin různého původu
- často však není chemické agens ve směsi přítomno nebo jen v malém množství
- euporie
- halucinace
- psychedelia

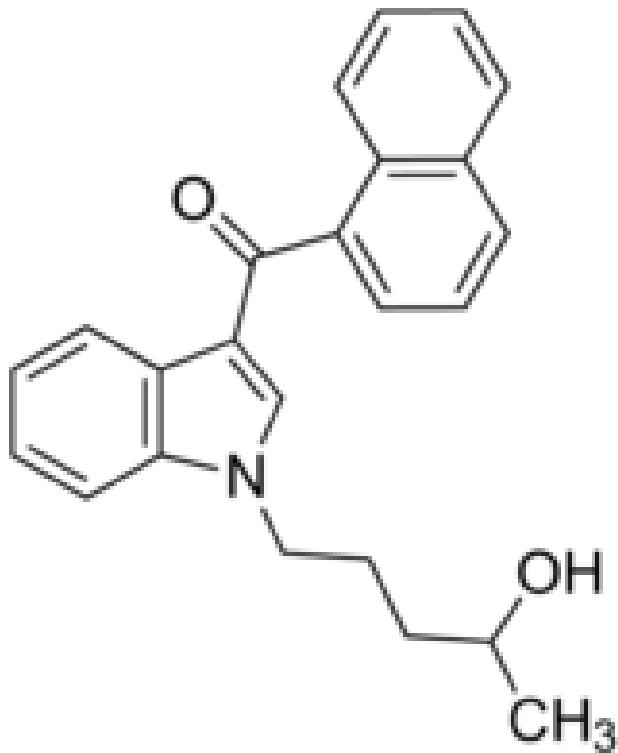
Background

- JWH-018 is historically the first synthetic cannabinoid with a direct and quantitatively clearly measurable effect on the endocannabinoid system developed by a group centered around Professor John William Huffman (Clemson University). Its nominal initials form the designation of all about 400 structures of this group. At the time of the present study, we had available its derivative N- (4-hydroxypentyl) and the labeled analog indole-D5.

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JWH-018 4-Hydroxypentyl metabolite solution

100 µg/mL in methanol, ampule of 1 mL, certified reference material,
Cerilliant®



Synthetic cannabinoids - definitions

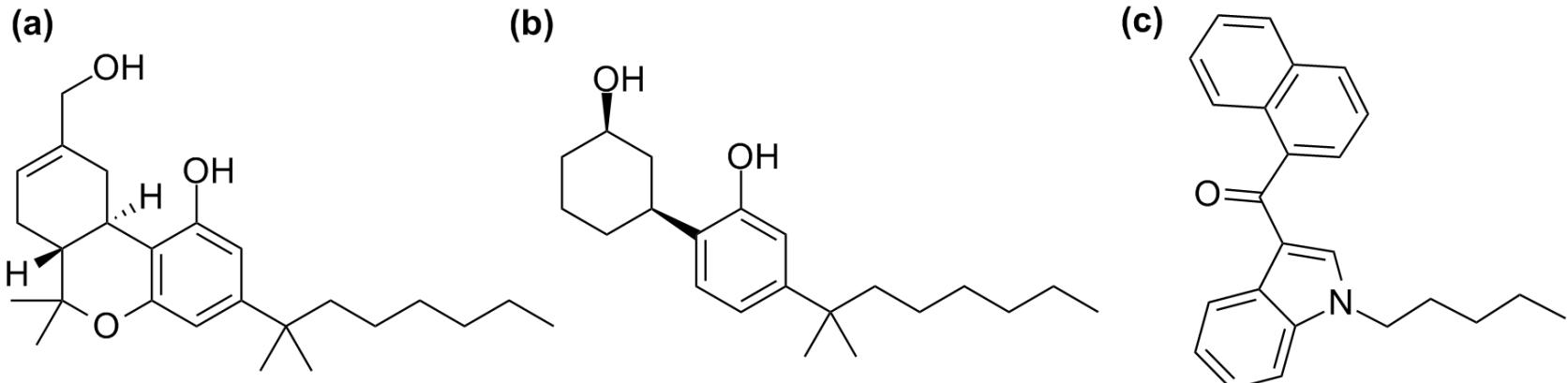


Figure 1 Depiction of the most common synthetic cannabinoids: (a) HU-210 (classical cannabinoid), (b) CP-47,497 (non-classical cannabinoid), (c) JWH-018 (aminoalkylindoles)

- The appearance of ‘herbal highs’ in the market is not a new phenomenon. Such products usually consisted of plant mixtures with little psychoactive effects. Since 2004, however, the composition of these herbal products seems to have substantially changed to include potent new psychoactive compounds known as synthetic cannabinoids.

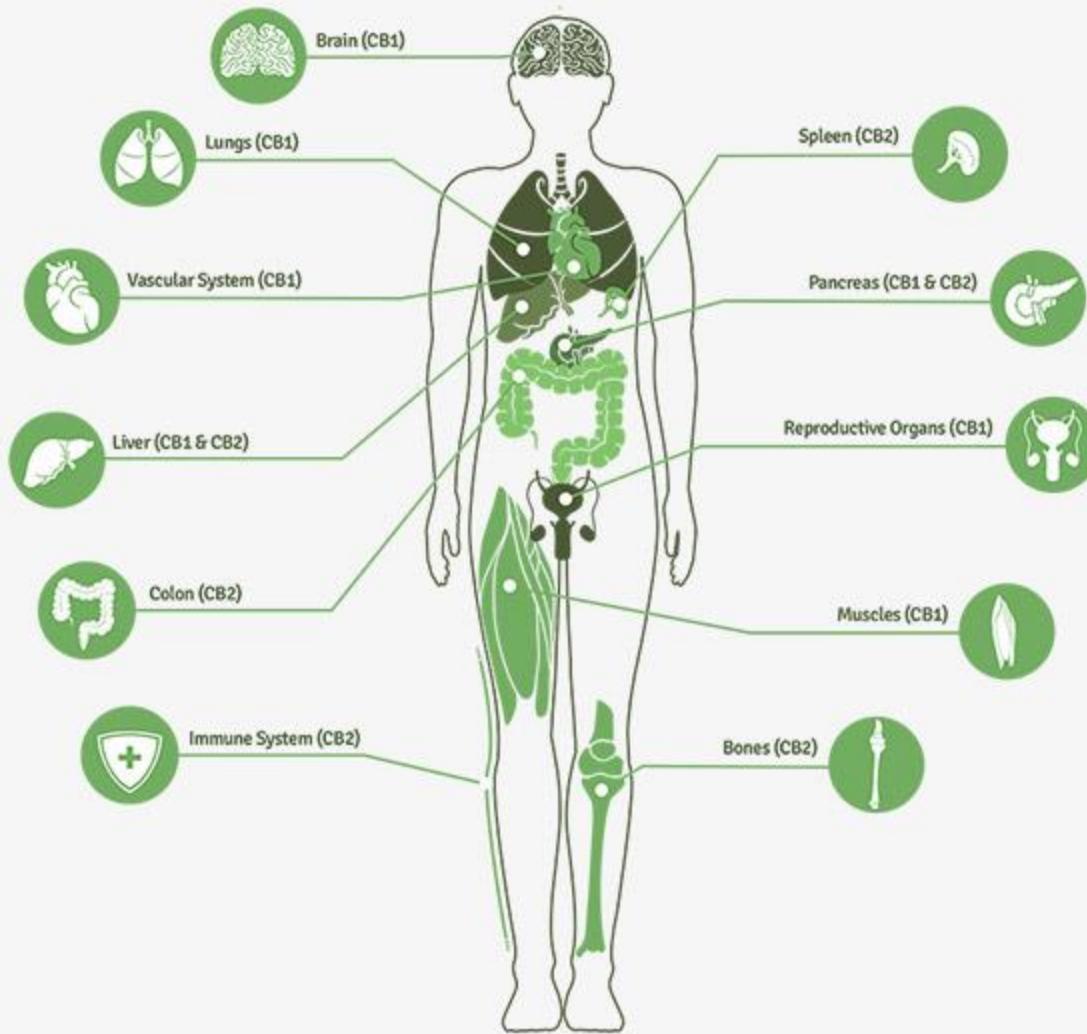
The synthetic cannabinoids fall into seven major structural groups:

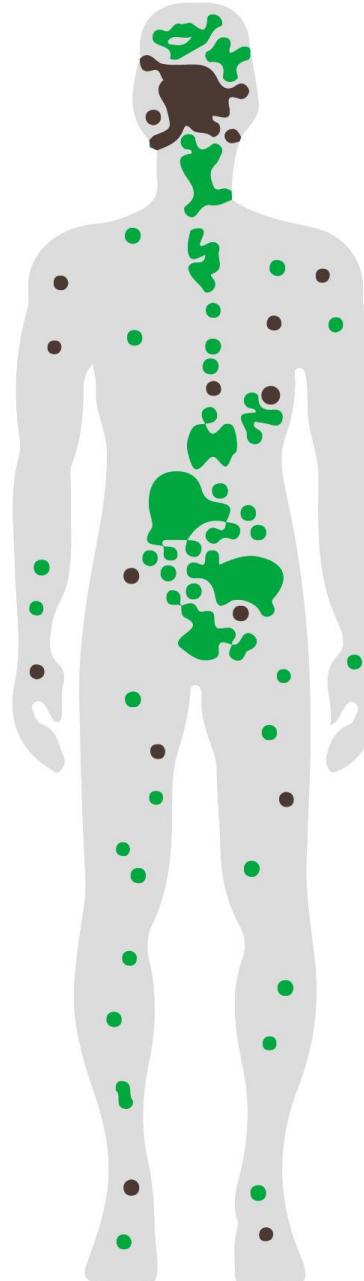
- Naphthoylindoles (e.g. JWH-018, JWH-073 and JWH-398).
- Naphthylmethylindoles.
- Naphthoylpyrroles.
- Naphthylmethylindenes.
- Phenylacetylindoles (i.e. benzoylindoles, e.g. JWH-250).
- Cyclohexylphenols (e.g. CP 47,497 and homologues of CP 47,497).
- Classical cannabinoids (e.g. HU-210).

Original aims and therapeutic goals

- Research on the mechanism of cannabis activity dates back several decades when molecules with similar behaviour to $\Delta 9$ -tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) were first examined.
- A synthetic analogue of THC, ‘HU-210’, was first synthesized in Israel in 1988 [1] and is considered to have a potency of at least **100 times** that of THC.
- Due to its similar chemical structure to THC, ‘HU-210’ is regarded as a ‘classical cannabinoid’ and has been found in synthetic cannabinoids sold in the United States and other countries.
- Another group of synthetic cannabinoids termed ‘non-classical’ include cyclohexylphenols or 3-arylcyclohexanols (‘CP’ compounds). ‘**CP**’ compounds, were developed as potential analgesics by **Pfizer**, a pharmaceutical company, in the 1980s.

THE BODY'S ENDOCANNABINOID SYSTEM





HUMAN ENDOCANNABINOID SYSTEM

CB1

CB1 Receptors Target

- ✖ Motor Activity
- ✖ Thinking
- ✖ Motor Co-ordination
- ✖ Appetite
- ✖ Short Term Memory
- ✖ Pain Perception
- ✖ Immune Cells

CB2

CB2 Receptors Are
Much Broader Than
CB1 And Influence
Most Of The Body

- ✖ Gut
- ✖ Kidneys
- ✖ Pancreas
- ✖ Adipose Tissue
- ✖ Skeletal Muscle
- ✖ Bone health
- ✖ Eyes
- ✖ Tumours
- ✖ Reproductive System
- ✖ Immune System
- ✖ Respiratory Tract
- ✖ Skin health
- ✖ CNS
- ✖ Cardiovascular System
- ✖ Liver

ECS



Brain and autonomic nervous system

- ↑ FI (depending on neuronal type)
- ↑ Motivation for palatable food
- ↑ Hedonic properties of palatable food
- Modulation of gustatory and olfactory neurotransmission
- ↓ EE and BAT thermogenesis via SNS
- ↓ WAT lipolysis via SNS
- ↓ Gastrointestinal motility via the vagus

Nose

- ↑ Odor sensitivity
- ↑ Food-seeking behavior

Mouth/oral cavity

- ↑ Neural responses to sweet taste
- Regulation of taste sensitivity ?
- Regulation of orosensory processes ?

Gastrointestinal tract

- ↑ Fat preference and intake
- ↑ Secretion of ghrelin
- ↑ Nutrient absorption ?

Pancreas

- ↑ Insulin secretion
- ↑ Apoptotic activity and β cell death

Liver

- ↑ Lipogenesis
- ↓ Insulin clearance
- ↓ Insulin-induced signaling

Skeletal muscle

- ↓ Insulin-dependent glucose uptake
- ↓ Insulin-induced signaling
- ↓ Oxidative metabolism ?

Adipose tissue

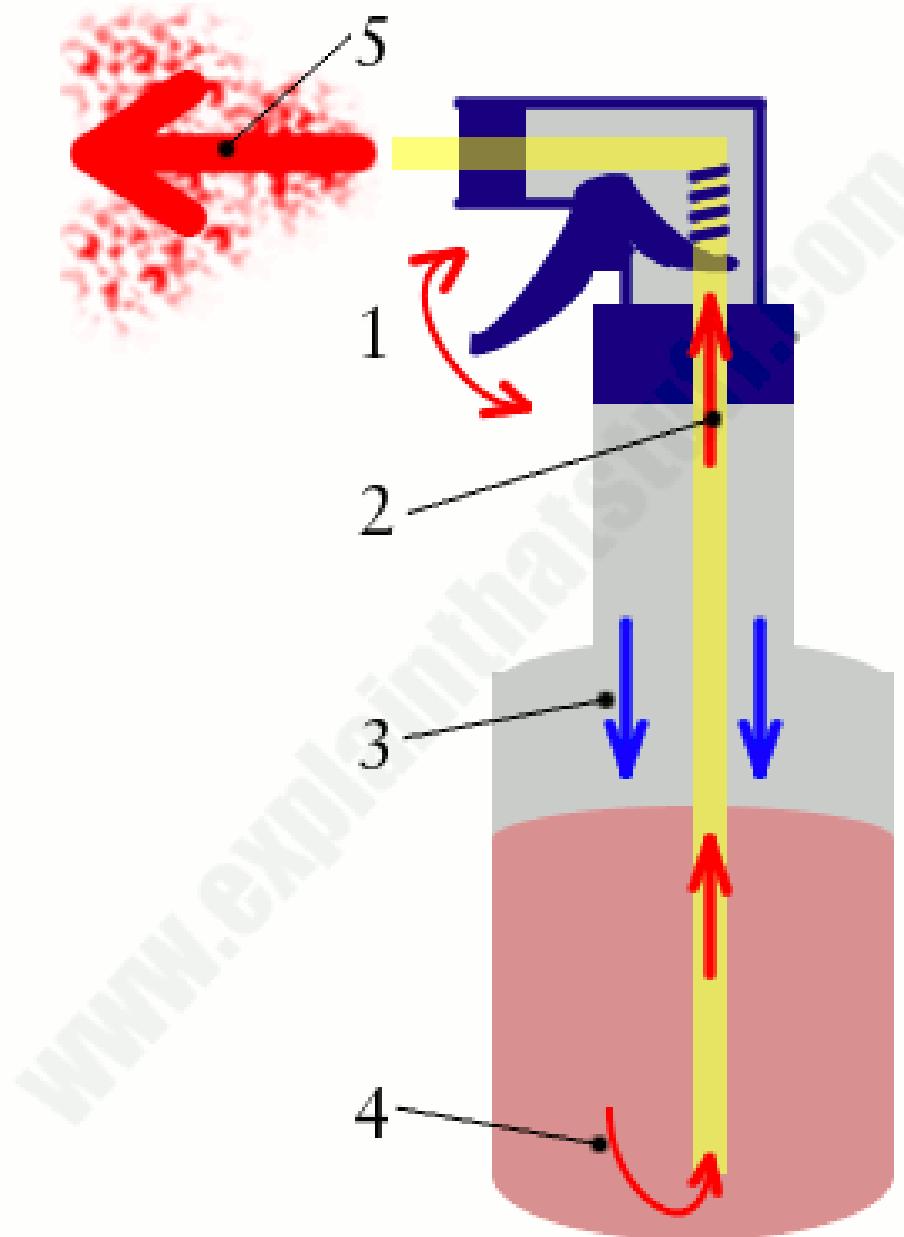
- ↑ Storage capacity
- ↑ Adipogenesis
- ↓ Fatty acid oxidation
- ↑ Glucose uptake
- ↓ Mitochondrial biogenesis

Key:

↑, Increased ↓, Decreased ?, Further studies are required







Canavalia rosea, Fabaceae (Asie, Afrika, Amerika)



Nymphaea caerulea, Nymphaeaceae (Východní Afrika, povodí Nilu)



Scutellaria nana, *Lamiaceae* (Severní Amerika)



Pedicularis densiflora, Orobanchaceae (čes. zárazovité, Kalifornie, Oregon)



Leonotis leonurus, *Lamiaceae* (Jižní Afrika)



Nelumbo lucifera, Nymphaeaceae (Indie, Indočína, Queensland AUS)



Used columns

- 1/ Phenyl Hexyl Kinetex[®], 100 x 2.1 mm, 1.7 µm, Phenomenex, CA, USA (SCREEN)
- 2/ Luna Omega[®] Polar C18, 50 x 2.1 mm, 1.6 µm, Phenomenex, CA, USA (QUANT)
- 3/ Arion[®] Polar C18 UHPLC, 50 x 2.1 mm, 2.2 µm, Chromservis, CZ (QUANT)

Chromatography acquisition 1

- COLUMN 1

	Start	time	flow	gradient	%A	%B
1.	0,00	75	0,50	Step	98,00	2
2.	1,25	540	0,50	Ramp		100
3.	10,25	130	0,50	Step		100
4.	12,42	155	0,50	Step	98	2

Chromatography acquisition 2

- COLUMN 2

	start	time	flow	gradient	%A	%B
1.	0,00	30	0,60	Step	99,00	1
2.	0,50	940	0,60	Ramp		100
3.	16,17	50	0,60	Step		100
4.	17	70	0,60	Step	99	1

Chromatography acquisition 3

- COLUMN 3

	Start	Time	Flow	Gradient	%A	%B
1.	0,00	30	0,60	Step	99,00	1
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4.	17	70	0,60	Step	99	1

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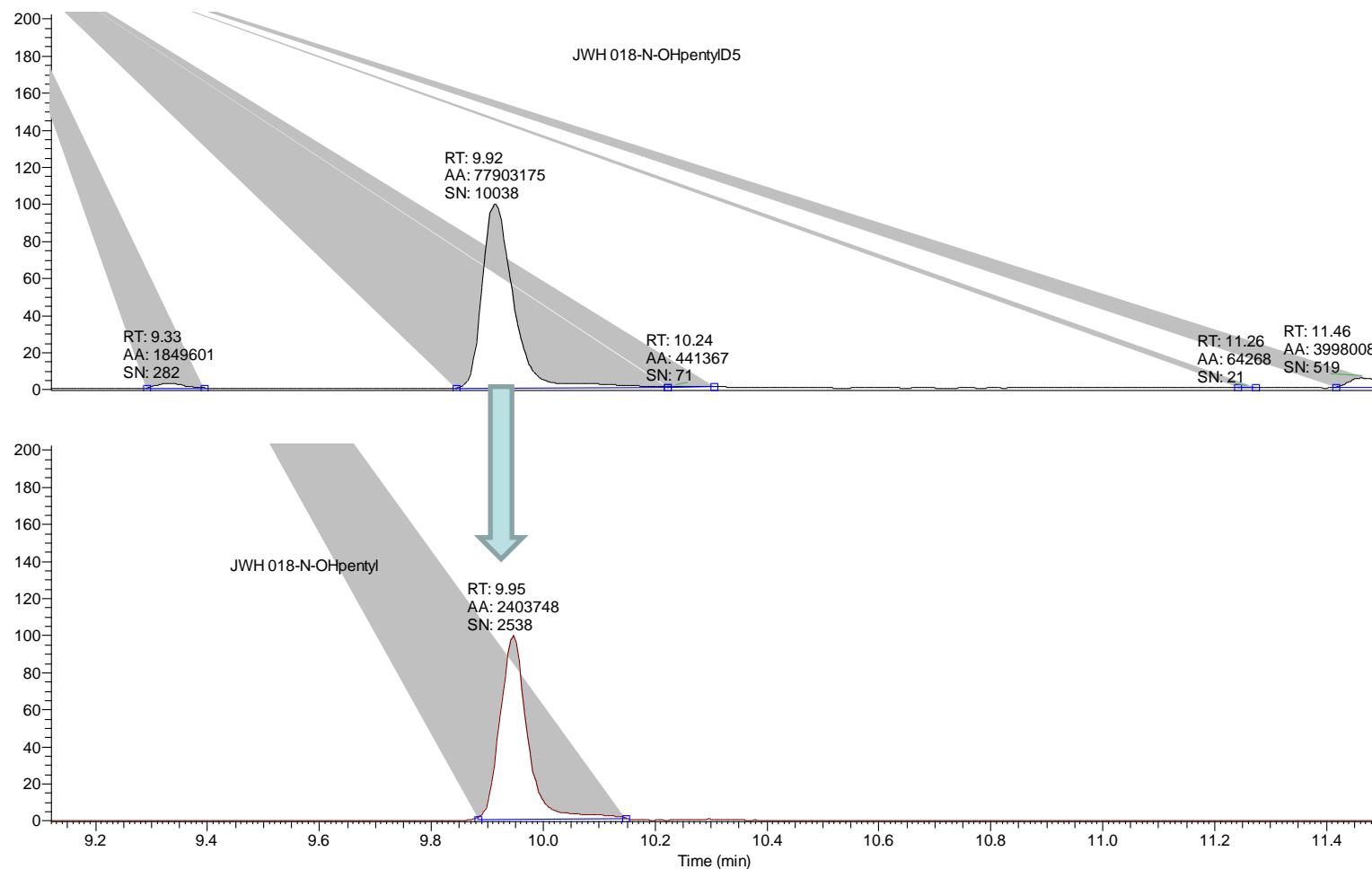
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- **Chrom peak width:** 6s.
- **Method duration:** 15,00 min
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- **Scan range:** 90 – 625 m/z.
- **Autogain control(AGC targed):** 1e5.
- **H-ESI → Sheath Gas :** 45,
• **→ Aux Gas:** 15.
- **Cone (spray) voltage:** 3,5 kV.
- **Capillary temperature:** 350 °C.
- **S-lens RF level:** 60,0.

Calibration Range

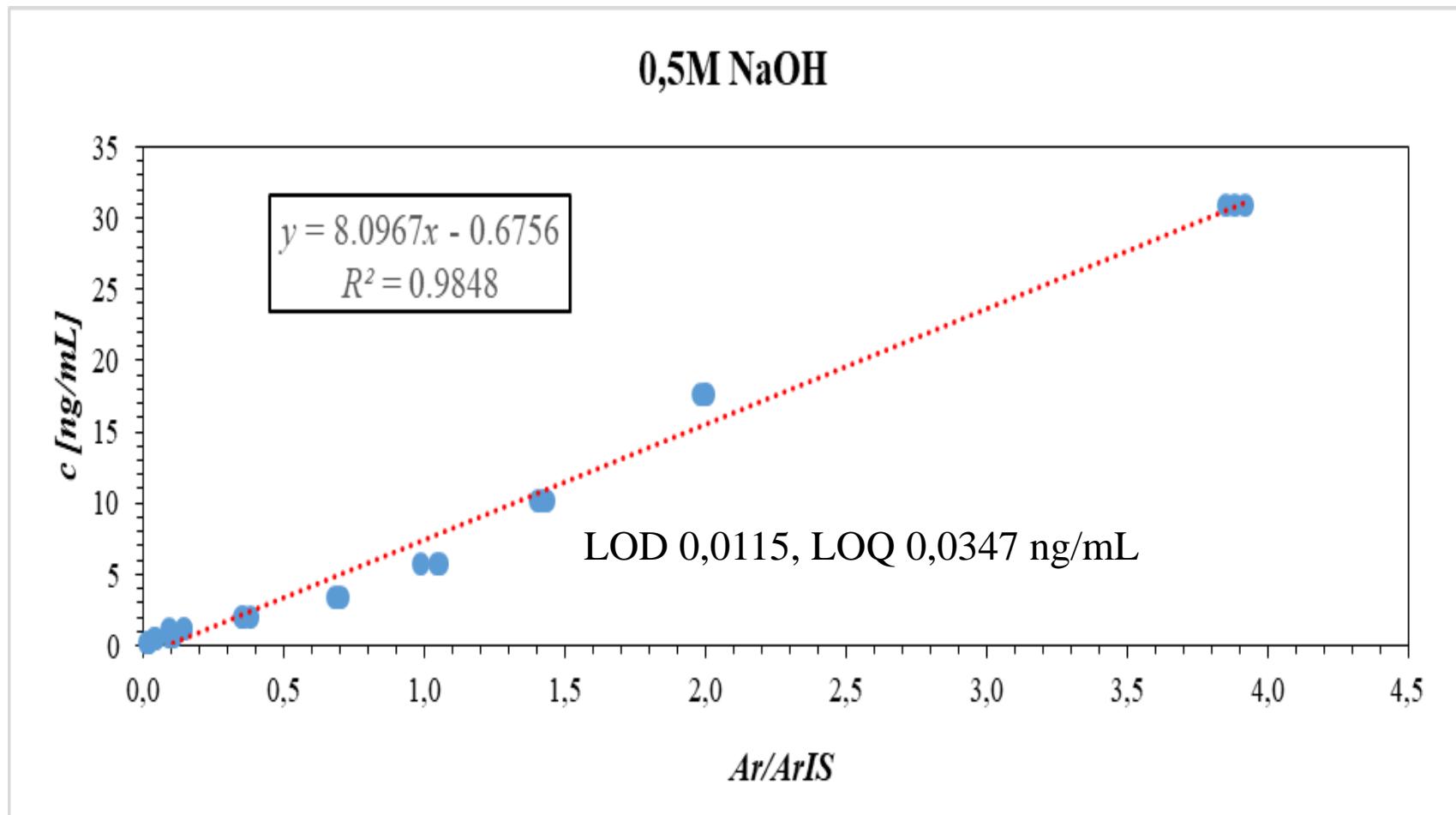
	JWH-018
Calibrator	S035 (JWH-018 4-hydroxypentyl metabolite) spiked concentration
IDNumber	ng/mL
K0	0
K1	0,20
K2	0,35
K3	0,61
K4	1,07
K5	1,88
K6	3,28
K7	5,74
K8	10,05
K9	17,59
K10	30,79

K1 Calibrator /PRM

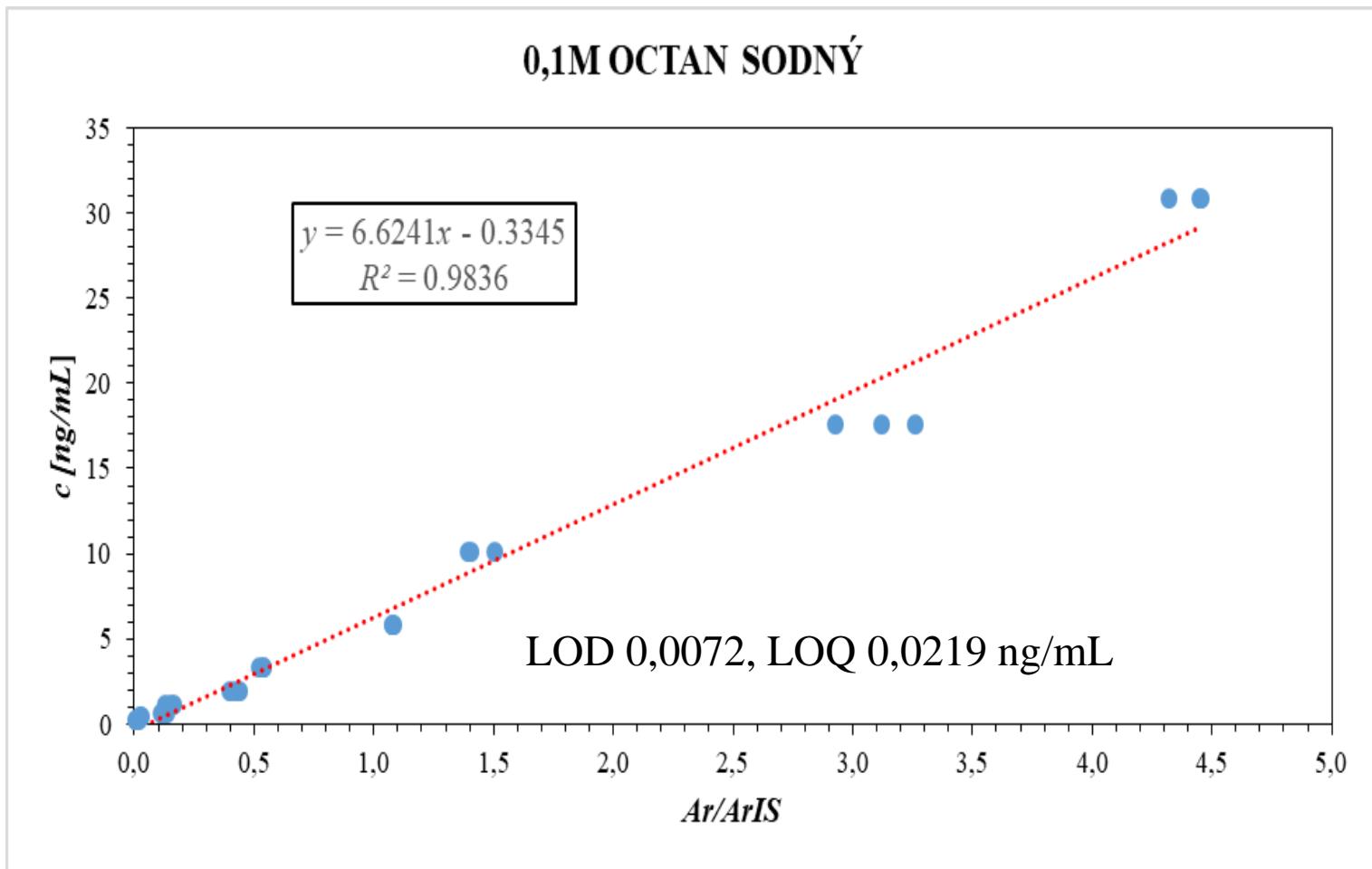
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The Influence of extraction conditions in variable pH/NaOH, ARION

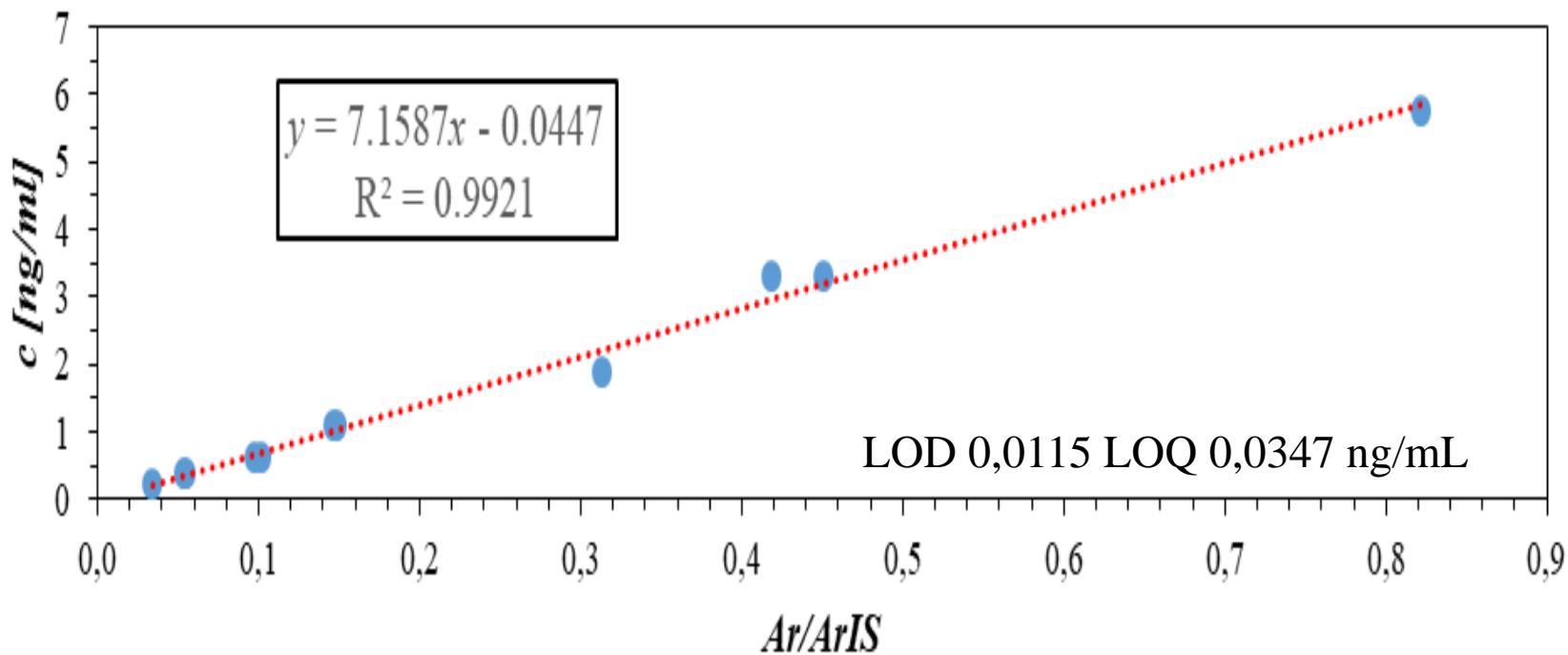


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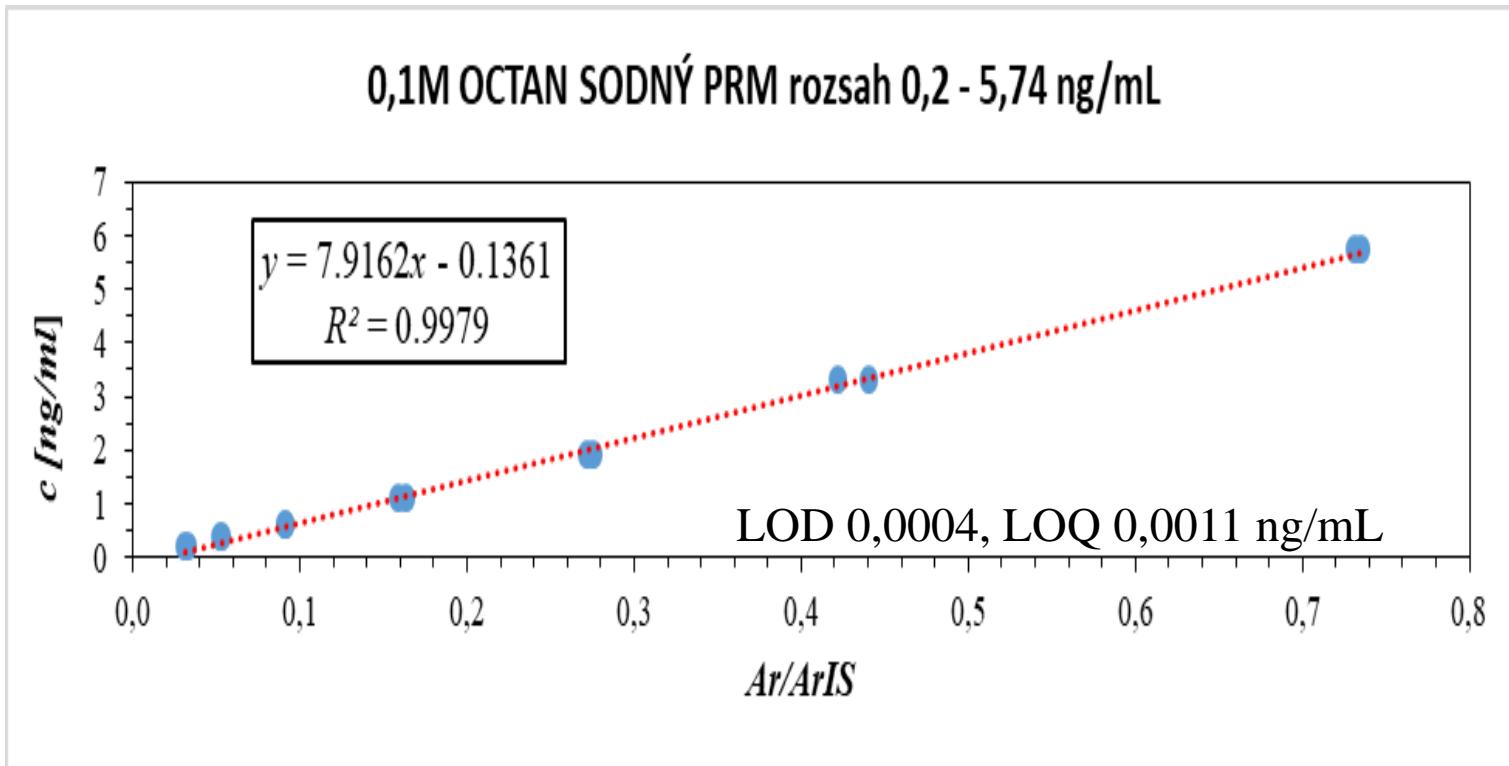


Low Calibration Range of JWH-018 N-(4-hydroxypentyl) /PRM /0,2 – 5,74 ng/ML, Arion® Polar C18 UHPLC

0,1M OCTAN SODNÝ PRM v rozsahu 0,2 - 5,74 ng/mL



Low Calibration Range of JWH-018 N-(4-hydroxypentyl) /PRM /0,2 – 5,74 ng/mL, Luna Omega® Polar C18

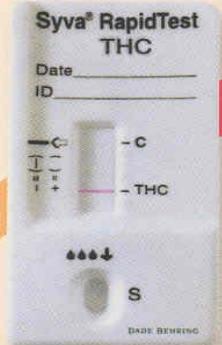


LOD, LOG, R² /Arion polar C18 UHPLC

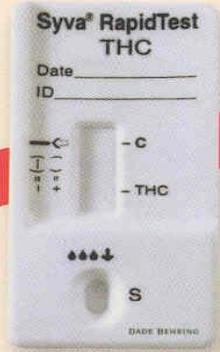
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Column	ARION POLAR C18 UHPLC	
	0,2 - 30,79 ng/mL	0,2 - 5,74 ng/mL
LOD (ng/mL)	0,0072	0,0079
LOQ (ng/mL)	0,0219	0,0242
R ²	0,9867	0,9921

LOD, LOG, R² / LUNA omega polar C18

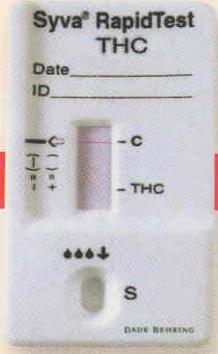
PRM scan		
Column	LUNA OMEGA POLAR C18	
	0,2 - 30,79 ng/mL	0,2 - 5,74 ng/mL
LOD (ng/mL)	0,0003	0,0004
LOQ (ng/mL)	0,0010	0,0011
R ²	0,9866	0,9979



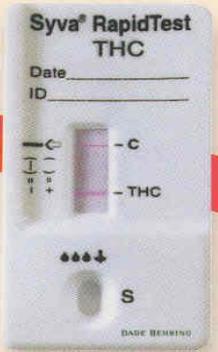
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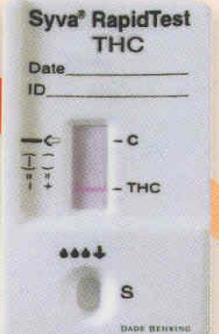
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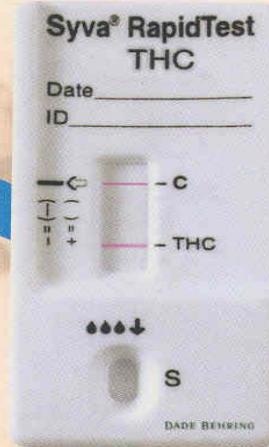
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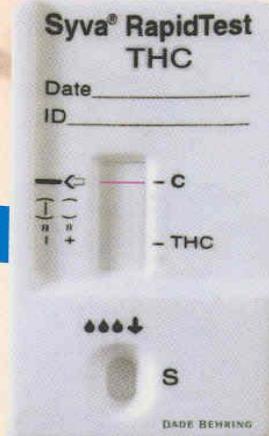
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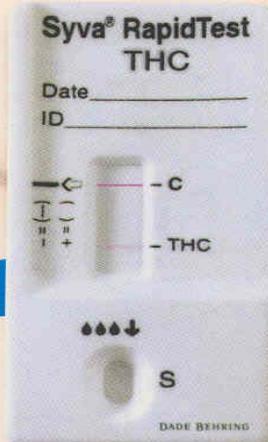
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RANDOX



Whole Blood Panel

a-PVP (Flakka)	Cannabinoids (THC)	Opiate
AB-PINACA	Carfentanil	Oxycodone
Amphetamine	EtG	Tramadol
Barbiturates	Fentanyl	TCA
Benzodiazepines	Methadone	UR 144 / XLR II
BZG/Cocaine	Methamphetamine	JWH-018
Buprenorphine	Phencyclidine (PCP)	6-MAM

Urine Panel

a-PVP	Buprenorphine	Opiates
AB-PINACA	Cannabinoids (THC)	Oxycodone
Amphetamine	Creatinine	Tramadol
Barbiturates	EtG	TCA
Benzodiazepines I (Oxazepam)	Fentanyl	UR 144 / XLR II
Benzodiazepines II (Lorazepam)	Methadone	JWH-018
BZG/Cocaine	Methamphetamine	6-MAM

Oral Fluid Panel

a-PVP (Flakka)	Cannabinoids (THC)	Oxycodone
Amphetamine	Fentanyl	PCP
Barbiturates	Ketamine	Tramadol
Benzodiazepines I (Oxazepam)	LSD	UR 144 / XLR II
Benzodiazepines II (Lorazepam)	Methadone	JWH-018
BZG/Cocaine	Methamphetamine	6-MAM
Buprenorphine	Opiate	-

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