Development of an automated method for the measurement of leucocyte cystine by LCMS

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Cystinosis

Rare autosomal recessive lysosomal storage disease

Defect in the lysosomal membrane protein cystinosin

Infants may present with failure to thrive and begins to show signs of Fanconi syndrome

> Treatment by cysteamine



LC-MS method (in brief)

Sample preparation
10µl of sample + 10µl d3-cystine
125 µl 0.2M borate buffer, pH 10.4,
125 µl 6M derivative
HPLC-MS/MS analyses using a C18 guard column, 5 min per sample.

Optimisation of method



Linearity



Evaluation with patient samples



Imprecision

	Within batch %CV	Between batch %CV
Low QC (1.8 µmol / L)	4.0 (n = 16)	5.8 (6 batches)
High QC (3.1 µmol / L)	6.2 (n = 19)	5.7 (6 batches)





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