

Dual-Stream LC coupled with 'plug and play' automation for routine bioanalysis in drug discovery.

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Introduction:

Biopharmaceutical companies run thousands of samples each week through assays designed to assess structural properties of newly synthesized molecular entities. Advancements in LC/MS and related technologies continually drive development of new assay types aimed at differentiating the impact of minor structural changes on drug binding. Bioanalytical staff are charged with implementing new methodologies while managing a broadening range of studies that are considered routine and are applied in screening context. Here we describe a 'plug and play' approach featuring dual-channel gradient LC/MS/MS with 30 sec/sample throughput. Methods were automatically downloaded in a blinded fashion at remote location to demonstrate ease of use by non-expert and suitability for 'routine' sample analysis. Results were compared with traditional multiplexed LC methods.

Methods:

- The sample delivery system consisted of an LS-I autosampler with 10-plate capacity, 8-two position UHPLC valves (and 4 injection ports).
- The 2-position valves are accessible under the plate deck and across the front of sampling deck for optimal LC plumbing relative to the ion source inlet.
- The system was configured with two Shimadzu Nexera binary gradient pumps and Sciex 5500 mass spectrometer.
- Halo 2X20mm C18, 2.7µm, LC columns** were plumbed in dual-stream mode, 0.7 min linear gradient on each channel.
- The system was controlled by LeadScope software (SoundAnalytics). LeadScope handled batch creation, valve scheduling, gradient LC control, MS signal acquisition and data review).

DiscoveryQuant/LeadScope Automation



2. Bioanalytical Automation

- 'Global' MRM LC/MS/MS conditions are stored in DiscoveryQuant Microsoft SQL Server® database.
- LeadScope can bind to global database or a smaller subset MS-Access database.
- The MS-Access database has identical architecture to parent but contains a limited and specific subset of information relevant for a specific analyses.

Methods, Samples and Batch Files

| Sample Name | Plate | Plate Code | Well | Group | Data File | Compound ID | Compound Name | Compound ID | Compound Name |
|--------------------------|---------|-----------------|------|-------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 1 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 3 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 2 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 15 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 3 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 27 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 4 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 39 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 5 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 51 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 6 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 63 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 7 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 75 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 8 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 87 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 9 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 99 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 60 min A to B 10 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 111 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 donor A1 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 51 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 donor A2 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 63 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 donor B1 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 75 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 donor B2 | Plate 6 | 96 - BA Conical | 87 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
| Cmpd 33 T01 | Plate 9 | 96 - BA Conical | 3 | 1 | 051719.MRMC4.0 n 1 | nadolol | labeladol | metoprolol | amprenavir |
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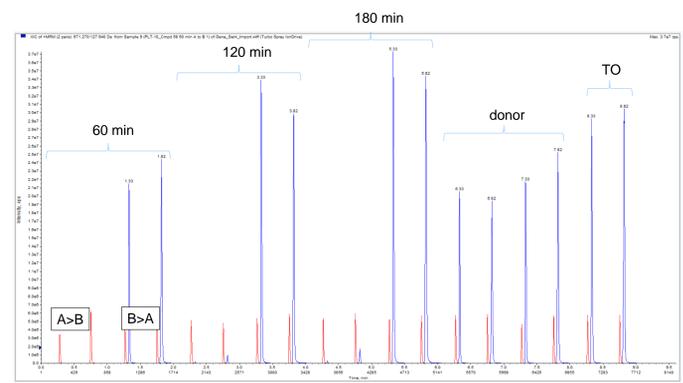
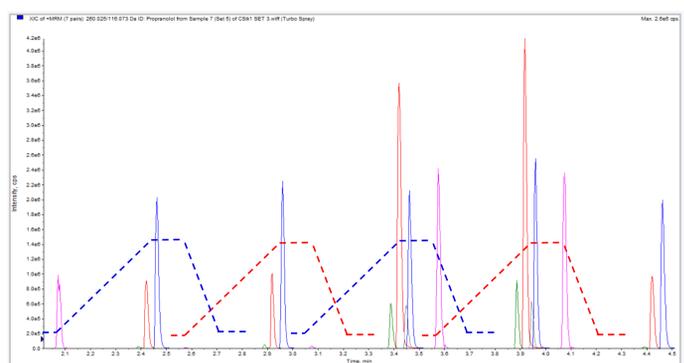
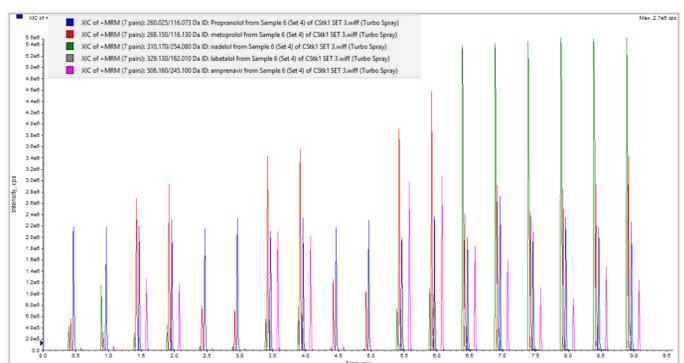
4. LS-I/LeadScope WorkStation

5500 Qtrap plumbed for 'Duality' dual-stream LC/MS/MS Dual Binary Gradient Nexera pumps (Shimadzu)

3. Remote Lab/ CRO

- Uses LeadScope to bind client MS-Access database.
- Imported text files contain plate/well IDs to guide sample delivery on LS-I. MS/MS conditions are downloaded.

System Performance (Results):



5. MDCK 4 in 1

Nadolol, labetalol, metoprolol and amprenavir MRM conditions were combined during 'import with vial positions' approach (Fig. 3). 18 injections per file. Propranolol ISTD.

6. Duality binary gradient LC (30 sec/sample)

Dual-Stream LC/MS/MS, 1 min cycle time per channel. CH1/ CH2 Injections are offset by 30 sec. Flowrate was 0.85 mL/min. Halo 2X20mm, C18, 2.7µm.

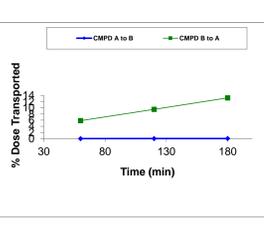
7. Saquinavir (efflux control substrate)

Study was run in duplicate at 60, 120 and 180 min timepts. Signal response pattern shows strong B-A Efflux. Multiply-injected file peak response graphic speeds data review and quality

CALCULATIONS

| Sample Name | IS | Analyte | Area Ratio | Peak Area A to B | Total Peak Area Apical Chamber | Peak Area B to A | Total Peak Area BL Chamber | Percent of Initial A to B | Percent of Initial B to A | Percent Initial Average A to B | Percent Initial Average B to A | % of Dose | Time (min) | Ratio | Slope | Papp (10 ⁻⁶ cm/sec) | B-A/B-A Ratio | % of Dose | Mass Bal. (%) |
|-------------|--------------------------|----------|------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| SB | Cmpd 58 60 min A to B 1 | 7.55E+05 | 1.69E+02 | 2.24E-04 | 2.24E-02 | 2.24E-02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 60 | 0.00 | 0.00002892 | 0.03 | 0.42 | 0.04 | 53.7 |
| gMDCK-MDR1 | Cmpd 58 60 min A to B 2 | 5.79E+05 | 1.23E+02 | 2.12E-04 | 2.12E-02 | 2.12E-02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 120 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 81.6 |
| | Cmpd 58 60 min A to B 3 | 7.77E+05 | 1.91E+06 | 2.45E+00 | 2.45E+02 | 9.81E+01 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 180 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 120 min A to B 1 | 8.01E+05 | 1.81E+06 | 2.25E+00 | 2.25E+02 | 9.01E+01 | 3.75E+02 | 1.55E+02 | 9.26 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 120 min A to B 2 | 6.19E+05 | 1.37E+03 | 2.09E-03 | 2.09E-01 | 1.14E-01 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 120 | 9.48 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 81.6 |
| | Cmpd 58 120 min A to B 3 | 7.54E+05 | 2.96E+06 | 3.93E+00 | 3.93E+02 | 1.71E+02 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 180 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 180 min A to B 1 | 7.82E+05 | 2.27E+03 | 2.91E-03 | 2.91E-01 | 1.94E-01 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 180 min A to B 2 | 1.50E+05 | 1.94E+03 | 1.94E-01 | 1.94E-01 | 1.94E-01 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 120 | 9.48 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 81.6 |
| | Cmpd 58 180 min B to A 1 | 7.65E+05 | 4.05E+06 | 5.29E+02 | 5.29E+02 | 2.12E+02 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 180 min B to A 2 | 7.56E+05 | 4.08E+06 | 5.39E+02 | 5.39E+02 | 2.16E+02 | 3.95E+02 | 1.57E+02 | 9.71 | 9.48 | 23.71 | 0.04 | 120 | 9.48 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.3657 | 0.10 | 81.6 |
| | Cmpd 58 donor A1 | 8.17E+05 | 1.41E+06 | 8.64E+02 | 8.64E+02 | 3.48E+02 | 53.33 | 53.95 | 53.33 | 53.95 | 13.19 | 13.19 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 donor A2 | 8.12E+05 | 1.43E+06 | 8.74E+02 | 8.74E+02 | 3.50E+02 | 53.33 | 53.95 | 53.33 | 53.95 | 13.19 | 13.19 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 donor B1 | 6.00E+05 | 2.05E+06 | 1.71E+01 | 1.71E+01 | 1.71E+01 | 53.33 | 106.61 | 53.33 | 106.61 | 91.94 | 91.94 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 donor B2 | 7.65E+05 | 2.08E+06 | 1.71E+01 | 1.71E+01 | 1.71E+01 | 53.33 | 106.61 | 53.33 | 106.61 | 91.94 | 91.94 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |
| | Cmpd 58 T01 | 7.74E+05 | 2.55E+06 | 1.65E+01 | 1.65E+01 | 1.65E+01 | 1049.699 | 1.65E+03 | 101.80 | 101.80 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 60 | 5.81 | 0.06150118 | 14.64 | 0.3657 | 0.02 | 124.9 |

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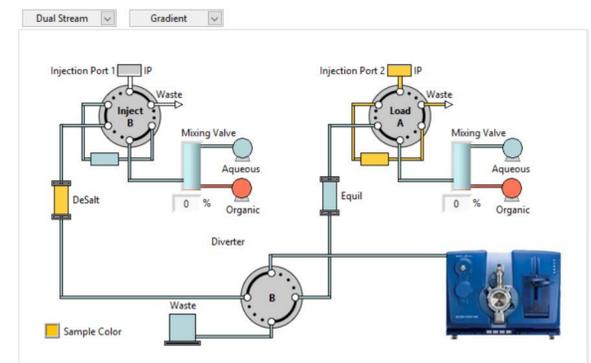


8. MDCK-MDR Active-Passive Papp Calculation

Data was reviewed interactively using 'Sound Review' module in LeadScope software. Sound Review exports processed data in custom formatted text file for Papp calculation. This functionality facilitates import of bioanalytical 'raw' data directly such that it can be integrated into complex calculation spreadsheets as shown above.

1. 'Duality'

Dual-Stream LC plumbing as depicted in LeadScope software.



Conclusions

An MDCK permeability and MDR1 transporter study was run at Genentech Inc. (GNE, South San Francisco, CA) using standard cell-based ADME-Screening protocol.

Initial sample analysis was completed at GNE using 2-channel multiplexed method on Aria LX-2 system. Sample plates and Aria batch files and GNE DQ-database, were sent to Sciex (Framingham, MA) post analysis.

The Study was rerun at Framingham demo lab using LS-I/LeadScope system integrated with Sciex 5500 MS. MRM methods and injection sequences were imported directly from GNE DQ-database using LeadScope (plug and play!).

Results obtained in Framingham were identical to those obtained at GNE. Throughput was increased 4-fold in comparison to Aria LX-2 dual-stream approach.