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#### Abstract

To combat the looming Opioid Crisis, the federal government has allotted funds to local and state law enforcement laboratories to research methods to incorporate emerging opioids into their reporting capabilities. Fentanyl and its analogs (fentalogs) are the most significant threat amongst these compounds, with some having many hundreds to thousands of times the strength of morphine. Because of their immense potency, more and more sensitive methods are needed for their detection. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) has invested in the validation of a more robust solid-phase extraction (SPE) method to improve their current capabilities, as well as expand them. Several fentanyl analogs were chosen from an extensive review of the literature to determine which are most prevalent. In addition to two isotopically labeled internal standards, 14 compounds including parent fentanyl were developed into a new liquid chromatography tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) method. This method was validated for whole blood and urine matrices. The validation was performed in compliance with ISO/IEC 17025:2017, ANAB standards and guidelines, and the current OSBI Toxicology Unit Quality Manual. It was overseen by the current Toxicology Technical Manager (TM) and managed by the OSBI Forensic Science Center (FSC) Quality Manager. It was successfully validated following the completion of five studies: interference, carry over, ion suppression/enhancement, limit of detection, and stability. Once brought online, this method will be used in toxicology casework. If a sample screens presumptively positive for fentanylrelated compounds, this method will be used for confirmation testing. Given the success with which this method was validated, more of the current liquid-liquid extractions, such as that for benzodiazepines, will likely be converted to the new SPE paradigm in the future.

#### Introduction

Pain is an unfortunate part of the human experience. Medications to treat it can be both a blessing and a curse. Opium and its derivatives have been around for centuries as a solution for pain. Tragically, these drugs are highly addictive and impairing to the user. Heroin, an opioid, was previously the most damaging of this drug class. Now, fentanyl has entered the global arena as one of the deadliest drugs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. At over 200 times the potency of morphine, fentanyl is incredibly effective at treating severe pain, but unfortunately, more likely to result in an overdose.

Illegal drug dealers and manufacturers recognize that they can get a much "bigger bang for their buck" using fentanyl in place of heroin. Heroin is listed as a Schedule I drug<sup>1</sup> by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and Food & Drug Administration (FDA). Fentanyl, however, is Schedule II and available in hospitals and pharmacies. Fentanyl's purity makes it highly coveted by those in the illicit drug trade. Heroin users believe they are buying their regular drug of choice when in reality, it has been laced with a comparably tiny amount of fentanyl and a much larger amount of often useless additives. By contrast, if someone gets their hands on fentanyl and thinks they can use the same amount as they do heroin, they will likely die

of an overdose.



Credit: New Hampshire State Police Forensic Lab Figure 1: Lethal Dose of Heroin vs. Lethal Dose of Fentanyl

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The DEA classifies drugs into five categories or "schedules." Schedule I is defined as "drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse." Schedule II also has high abuse potential but possesses a valid medicinal purpose. Schedules III-V have decreasing abuse potentials. (U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, n.d.)

The number of fentanyl-related overdoses 2016-2017 is captured under the category "Synthetic opioids other than methadone" in Table 1 below prepared by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). The high influx of fentanyl and synthetic opioids has led to what we now call "The Opioid Crisis." This war is being fought on two fronts: medical personnel who overprescribe these dangerously addictive drugs and the illicit drug market.

	All opioids						Prescription opioids					
Decedent characteristic	2016		2017		Change from 2016 to 2017¶		2016		2017		Change from 2016 to 2017¶	
	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	Absolute rate change	% Change in rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	Absolute rate change	% Change in rate
All	42,249	13.3	47,600	14.9	1.6***	12.0***	17,087	5.2	17,029	5.2	0.0	0.0
Sex												
Male	28,498	18.1	32,337	20.4	2.3***	12.7***	9,978	6.2	9,873	6.1	-0.1	-1.6
Female	13,751	8.5	15,263	9.4	0.9***	10.6***	7,109	4.3	7,156	4.2	-0.1	-2.3
	Heroin						Synthetic opioids other than methadone					
	2016		2016 2017		Change from 2016 to 2017॥		2016		2017		Change from 2016 to 2017୩	
	2016		2017		to 2017¶		2016		2017		to 2017¶	
Decedent characteristic	2016 No.	Rate	2017 No.	Rate	to 2017 <sup>¶¶</sup> Absolute rate change	% Change in rate	2016 No.	Rate	2017 No.	Rate	to 2017 <sup>99</sup> Absolute rate change	% Change in rate
Decedent characteristic All	2016 No. 15,469	Rate	2017 No. 15,482	Rate 4.9	to 2017 <sup>11</sup> Absolute rate change 0.0	% Change in rate 0.0	2016 No. 19,413	Rate	2017 No. 28,466	Rate 9.0	to 2017 <sup>41</sup> Absolute rate change 2.8***	% Change in rate 45.2***
Decedent characteristic All Sex	2016 No. 15,469	Rate 4.9	2017 No. 15,482	Rate	to 2017 <sup>¶¶</sup> Absolute rate change 0.0	% Change in rate 0.0	2016 No. 19,413	Rate	2017 No. 28,466	Rate 9.0	to 2017 <sup>¶</sup> Absolute rate change 2.8***	% Change in rate 45.2***
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## Table 1: CDC - Annual Number & Age-adjusted Rate of Drug Overdose Deaths by Gender

\*\*\* Statistically significant (P-value <0.05).

## (Wilson, 2020)

Due to the high potency and power of this drug class, law enforcement and drug labs across the globe have had an increasingly more difficult time detecting the small amounts that it takes for users to fulfill their high. More and more sensitive methods for extracting them from body fluids as well as instrumentation to detect them has become highly coveted in the scientific arena.

One of the most sensitive methods available for the detection of low concentration drugs of abuse is liquid chromatography tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS). This instrument allows for sub-nanogram detection of a wide variety of compounds. It operates under the same principles as any chromatographic mass spectral process in that samples are separated into individual components, ionized, and fragmented<sup>2</sup> into characteristic pieces, referred to here as ions. These ions are collectively analyzed to distinguish a single drug from all others.



## Figure 2: LC-MS/MS Schematic Diagram

LC-MS/MS includes two<sup>3</sup> mass spectrometers linked in tandem. Compounds with a

specific molecular weight are selected and allowed to pass into the second where fragmentation

occurs. The third is used to select particular fragments allowed to pass on to the final detector.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Collision induced dissociation is one of several fragmentation methods used in mass spectrometry. This occurs when ions collide with an inert gas, in this case, argon. (Pitt, 2009).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> LC-MS/MS is often referred to as "triple-quadrupole." The first and third are used as traditional mass selectors while the middle quadrupole is used for fragmentation.

Ionization is achieved by electro spray ionization (ESI). This turns the sample into a fine mist of ions to be filtered or scanned by the subsequent mass spectrometers. The fragmentation from precursor ion to product ion is called a transition. The ratio of the abundances of the product ions is used to individualize compounds. Regarding the example below, the blue peak represents the abundance of the first transition, 316.10 to 174.90, and the red peak represents the second transition, 316.10 to 212.00. Each value represents the number of atomic mass units (amu) of each fragment, which can be thought of as the weight of the ion.



## Figure 3: Example of an LC-MS/MS Result

Because LC-MS/MS is so sensitive, the sample must be purified to the greatest extent possible before introducing it to the instrument. One of the best sample preparation methods for this type of work is by solid-phase extraction (SPE.) This methodology employs a small tube packed with a filter medium that retains the analyte of interest and allows contaminants and other compounds to pass through. A solvent is then used to release the analytes from the filter media. Generally, the sample is then dried down under nitrogen gas and reconstituted in a solvent suitable for the LC column.



# Figure 4: Solid Phase Extraction Schematic Diagram

(Courtesy, in part, of Melissa Brous - OSBI)

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) is one of those labs seeking more sensitive methods for the detection of these compounds. Currently in the OSBI toxicology unit we are able to detect codeine, morphine, 6-monoacetylmorphine (6-MAM, a metabolite of heroin,) hydrocodone, hydromorphone, oxycodone, oxymorphone, and fentanyl as part of our opiates method. The goal of this project is to develop and validate a more robust solid-phase extraction (SPE) to replace the OSBI's current liquid-liquid extraction (LLE) protocol in order to incorporate these harder and harder to detect compounds, as well as develop a LC-MS/MS method for their detection in whole-blood as well as urine. Another aim of this project is to increase the number of compounds the instrument is able to detect and validate them for future casework alongside those already identified by toxicologists. The following compounds were amongst those most highly considered for inclusion in this method.

- Desomorphine (Krokodil)
- Buprenorphine (Suboxone, Buprex)
- Norbuprenorphine (primary metabolite of buprenorphine)
- Norfentanyl (primary metabolite of fentanyl and several fentalogs)
- (±)-cis-3-Methylfentanyl (3-methylfentanyl, methylfentanyl)
- 4-ANPP (despropionyl fentanyl, metabolite of fentanyl & several fentalogs)
- Acetyl fentanyl
- Acryl fentanyl
- AH-7921
- Alfentanil (Rapifen)
- Butyryl fentanyl
- Carfentanil (4-carbomethoxyfentanyl)
- Crotonyl fentanyl (a common contaminant for cyclopropyl fentanyl)
- Cyclopropyl fentanyl
- Fluoro-isobutyryl fentanyl (FIBF, p-FIBF, 4-FIBF)
- Furanyl fentanyl (a.k.a. "grey death")
- Isobutyryl fentanyl
- Methoxyacetyl fentanyl
- MT-45 (1-cyclohexyl-4-(1,2-diphenylethyl) piperizine a.k.a. "IC-6")
- Ocfentanil
- *ortho*-fluorofentanyl (o-flourofentanyl)
- *para*-fluorobutyrylfentanyl (PFBF, p-FBF)
- *para*-fluorofentanyl (PFF, p-FF, FF)

- Remifentanil (Ultiva)
- Sufentanil (Sufenta)
- Tetrahydrofuranyl fentanyl (THFF, tetrahydrofuran fentanyl)
- U-47700 (a.k.a. "pink")
- Valeryl fentanyl (a.k.a Valerie)
- *α*-Methylfentanyl (alpha methyl fentanyl)
- $\beta$ -Hydroxythiofentanyl (beta-hydroxythiofentanyl)

Desomorphine, buprenorphine, and its metabolite norbuprenorphine will be added to the original TX40 Opiates protocol the OSBI already has in place. They will be analyzed using the current LC-MS/MS method, with the addition of these compounds. This is due to the similarity in structure and chemical properties these compounds share with morphine and other opiates/opioids in the OSBI's current protocol. These structures may be found in Figure 5 below. The conversion of the current liquid-liquid extraction to a SPE will be a source of future research. It was the hope that all opiates, opioids, and fentanyl analogs could be extracted via one SPE method, but the non-fentanyl-related compounds require a different elution solvent. The rest of the list above, (the fentalogs) were considered for a new LC-MS/MS method that would become OSBI Toxicology Unit Protocol "TX42," although not all made it through to the final stage of the validation for reasons explain herein. All of the compounds listed above were mentioned at least four times in one or more of the following academic outlets:

- The Journal of Analytical Toxicology (JAT) Jan 2018-May 2019
- The American Chemical Society (ACS)
- The 2018 Opioid Crisis Webinar hosted by ThermoFisher Scientific
- The Biotage<sup>©</sup> webinar on opioids which was foundational to this method

- National Medical Services (NMS) labs' current screening methods
- The current list of U.S. scheduled drugs and candidates compiled by the DEA
- The U.S. & European Union (EU) early warning systems<sup>4</sup>
- The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

as well as various conferences, published research, and OSBI toxicology & drug chemistry unit<sup>5</sup> case history. This method was developed and validated using the OSBI's current policies and procedures.

### **Literature Review**

Opiates and their semi-synthetic counterparts are derived from the parent compound opium, a natural plant extract or alkaloid, from the poppy plant, *Papaver somniferum*. Opium has been used as a analgesic for thousands of years, and morphine since 1806 (Baselt, 2017.) This drug forms the basis for all of opiates, opioids, and synthetic opioids, whether in terms of effect, structure, or both. Opiates come directly from the opium plant and include morphine, codeine, thebaine and papaverine. Semi-synthetic opioids, or simply, opioids, are similar in structure to morphine but are manmade; these include oxycodone, oxymorphone, hydrocodone, hydromorphone, and heroin. Lastly, fully synthetic opioids, or simply, synthetic opioids, are not similar in structure to morphine but are very much so in effect. These compounds include methadone, meperidine, tramadol, and fentanyl along with its many analogs. The characteristic opiate has a chemical structure similar to morphine that possesses several characteristic functional groups including: five rings, three in the same plane and two protruding at right

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Early warning systems, in this instance, are sources for new and emerging drugs. Law enforcement use the information presented here to prepare themselves for emergence of drugs in their area. The US system is managed by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), while the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) manages the EU system.

<sup>5</sup> The OSBI drug chemistry unit may also be referred to as the seized drugs unit, controlled substances unit, forensic chemistry unit, or simply the drug lab.

angles, one being aromatic, and a quaternary carbon linked to a tertiary amine. The following three opioids were considered for addition to the OSBI's current Opiates/Opioids protocol for the reasons given in each compound's section.

## Desomorphine

Desomorphine was once sold in Switzerland for medical use under the brand name "Permonid" (DEA, 2019) but was quickly pulled from the market due to its high toxicity and addictive properties. It has been categorized by the DEA as Schedule I since 1936 (DEA, 2019). It is more commonly known by the Russian name "Krokodil," which is the crude, illicit form of the drug. Krokodil is a deadly compound with an average life span of two years for addicts after their first use, according to Cerilliant<sup>6</sup>. It has claimed the lives of thousands of people in Europe, with the greatest number being in Russia.

Time Magazine (as well as local outlets) reports the first death in the United States from Krokodil was presumably an Oklahoma man, though it was never conclusively determined (Roy, 2013). The Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics (OBN) representative who was interviewed at the time could not say the death was from Krokodil, though the condition of the deceased was reminiscent of those already claimed by the drug in Russia. It can eat flesh down to the bone at the injection site. It is synthesized rather easily from codeine in a process similar to that of methamphetamine. The drug itself is not the flesh-eating component; the harsh solvents, such as gasoline, and red phosphorous used in the illicit synthesis damage the skin and underlying tissue. It is often referred to in America as the "Zombie Drug" because of the decaying effect it has on the skin and the user in general.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Cerilliant is a metrology laboratory used by research labs to obtain certified reference materials.

# **Buprenorphine**

Buprenorphine has been requested on multiple cases submitted to the OSBI for toxicological analysis. It has been added to the toxicology unit's gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GC-MS) library but the drug is scarcely seen by this method at the typical concentrations found in the body. It has been reported in two cases since this addition, but only in urine specimens where the concentration is much higher than in blood. The OSBI toxicology unit rarely deals with urine, primarily in drug-facilitated sexual assault cases, which constitutes approximately 5% of all cases they work. The majority of casework is driving under the influence (DUI) cases, which use blood specimens.

Buprenorphine is 25-40 times the potency of morphine (Baselt, 2019), therefore very little is needed to reach the desired effect. Seemingly contradictory to this, buprenorphine is prescribed to ease addicts' pain while helping with their addiction. This has earned it Schedule III status in the United States (DEA, 2021). Because of its low activity at the  $\mu$ -opioid receptor, the effects of buprenorphine reach a maximum and do not continue to increase, known as "the ceiling effect" in pharmacology (CAST, 2021). Consequently, an overdose of buprenorphine is less likely to cause fatal respiratory depression than a full opioid agonist like morphine. As a partial agonist, buprenorphine has sufficient activity that addicts subjectively feel "normal" while using significantly less than their drug of choice, and at significantly lower risk of overdose (CAST, 2021).

This analyte is screened for by NMS labs at a cut-off of 0.5 ng/mL. It was reported in 182 cases by the OSBI's drug chemistry unit in 2018 and 118 times in 2019. Its presence is readily apparent and the need for a toxicological method capable of detecting this compound in human specimens is a top priority. To bring the OSBI toxicology unit in line with the current

toxicology organization of scientific area committee (OSAC)<sup>7</sup> guidelines (Appendix 1) for impaired driving investigations, buprenorphine must be part of the scope of testing. This served as the main driving force in validating this compound.

## Norbuprenorphine

Norbuprenorphine is the primary active metabolite of buprenorphine and is also screened for by NMS labs at a cut-off of 0.5 ng/mL. Should the parent drug be suspected in a person's system but is not seen due to the passage of time, norbuprenorphine could be pursued in its place. This metabolite has a higher chance of detection; it has a half-life 2-3 times longer than its predecessor. This metabolite is currently unscheduled in the US (DEA, 2021).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> OSACs are committees formed by the most knowledgeable representatives of each forensic discipline. They provide suggested guidelines and practices for each area of forensic science. They replaced the Scientific Working Groups, the "SWGS," previously established for the same purpose.



#### Figure 5: Chemical Structures of Morphine and Related Compounds

As mentioned previously, the three drugs just discussed will not be part of the fentalog method of primary concern here. The remaining compounds are all related to fentanyl. Fentanyl is different from morphine in terms of structure but as far as mechanism of action and effect, they are the same animal, though Fentanyl is a much larger bear, over 200 times stronger. Fentanyl was developed in 1960 for the treatment of breakthrough and chronic pain, specifically associated with cancer, and as a surgical anesthetic. Even with its many legitimate uses, fentanyl is highly dangerous and has single-handedly accelerated the opioid crisis over the years.

Despite the risky and addictive nature of the drug, fentanyl is Schedule II in the U.S. and readily prescribed for extreme pain (DEA, 2021). PremierTox. (2017) lists several trade names including: Abstral, Actiq, Duragesic, Fentora, Lazanda, Sublimaze, Sybsys. This is not including its many street names. It can be taken orally as a pill or buccal tablets and lozenges, directly injected, via intrathecal administration, as an extended release transdermal patch, and even as lollipops (Stanley, 1989). Detection can be up to 3 days in the urine, with approximately 5%

excreted unchanged, and 55% excreted as its inactive metabolite, norfentanyl. Typical concentrations are much lower than most analgesics, only about 0.5-2 ng/mL (PremierTox, 2017). This makes it extremely difficult to detect, hence the need for a more robust solid phase extraction and LC-MS/MS method for fentanyl and its counterparts.

According to the UNODC, fentanyl belongs to the phenylethylpiperidine family of drugs, and possesses multiple sites for the addition or substitution of various chemical functional groups to produce compounds with similar or greater analgesic and/or toxic effects.



Figure 6: Possible Modifications to the Structure of Fentanyl to Produce an Analog

#### (Vardanyan, 2014)

Despite the obvious differences between fentanyl and morphine, their chemical make-up is still similar enough to act on the same  $\mu$ -receptors involved in pain signaling. Drugs acting on these sites, aptly called the "opioid receptors," have the unfortunate side effect of causing respiratory depression, which can lead to death with a high enough dose. This is the main cause of overdose deaths with these types of drugs, each of which is explained in further detail in the following passages.

## Norfentanyl

Norfentanyl is the major metabolite of fentanyl, though it is inactive. It is also the primary metabolite of several fentalogs, including beta-Hydroxythiofentanyl and alpha-Methylfentanyl, according the UNODC. Its inclusion in this validation will allow for lengthier detection windows for the parent compound and associated analogs. It is currently a Schedule II compound in the United States (DEA, 2021). This compound was featured in several JAT articles between 2018 & 2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Nash, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019).

#### $(\pm)$ -cis-3-Methylfentanyl

(±)-cis-3-Methylfentanyl a.k.a. 3-Methylfentanyl (3-MF), or simply, methylfentanyl is second only to carfentanil as far as potency in this family of drugs (UNODC). It is said to be over 5000 times as potent as morphine, and thus several hundred times as potent as fentanyl (UNODC). Deaths as early as the 1970's have been attributed to this compound. It is amongst those screened by NMS Labs (2018). According to the DEA, this compound is a Schedule I drug (DEA, 2021). It has appeared in multiple JAT articles from 2018-2019 (Goggin, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018).

#### 4-ANPP

4-ANPP, also referred to as despropionyl fentanyl, is an intermediate and subsequent impurity formed during the synthesis of illicit fentanyl. It is a metabolite of fentanyl and several fentalogs including acetyl fentanyl, acryl fentanyl, butyryl fentanyl, furanyl fentanyl, and tetrahydro furanyl fentanyl (THFF) (Cayman Chemical, n.d.). It has long been used as a precursor of fentanyl and, as such, is regulated as a Schedule II drug in this country (DEA, 2021). It is the second most abundant inactive metabolite of fentanyl after norfentanyl. 4-ANPP is screened for by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018) and listed in the previously mentioned Biotage<sup>®</sup> method (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1.). The detection of 4-ANPP in illicit fentanyl seizures in the absence of benzylfentanyl is evidence it was created via the Siegfried Method, a popular favorite of clandestine laboratory cooks for its relative simplicity. This compound has been mentioned in several JAT articles between 2018 and 2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019.) Acetyl fentanyl

Acetyl fentanyl is included in NMS labs' screening methods (NMS Labs, 2018) and part of the original Biotage<sup>®</sup> method from which this one stems (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1.) It currently has no accepted medicinal use in the U.S., and therefore a Schedule I drug (DEA, 2021). According to UNODC, it is approximately 16x as potent as morphine. This drug entered the global arena in 2013 with the report of 14 deaths in Rhode Island and several subsequent deaths spreading to other states, including 41 in Pennsylvania (Pearson, 2015). Acetyl fentanyl has also spread to the EU with over 30 deaths in 2015, and 34 confirmed in Sweden alone between 2015 and 2016 (UNODC). It incidentally appeared on the 2016 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018) and has since been seen in seven JAT articles from 2018-2019 (Finkelstein, 2019; Kahl, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). This compound was seen in Oklahoma in 2019 when it was reported in one case by the OSBI drug chemistry unit.

#### Acryl fentanyl

Acryl fentanyl a.k.a. acryloylfentanyl is included in NMS labs' screening methods (NMS Labs, 2018) and amongst those validated by Biotage<sup>®</sup> (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1). It first emerged in Denmark in 2016 where it was detected in over 20 cases of non-fatal intoxication, as well as 43 lethal cases in Sweden (UNODC). Acryl fentanyl was confirmed in several deaths in Estonia

that year as well, along with Finland, Latvia, and Slovenia. It was reported by the 2017 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018,) and currently a Schedule I drug in the U.S. (DEA, 2021). It has been included in six JAT articles from 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). According to UNODC, it is approximately 170x as potent as morphine.

#### <u>AH-7921</u>

This substance emerged as a drug of abuse in 2013 according to Baselt<sup>8</sup> and was included on the 2014 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018). It is an isomer of the notorious U-47700 (discussed below). Interestingly, it is an active ingredient in synthetic cannabis in Japan, according to Cerilliant. AH-7921 has appeared in three JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Goggin, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018) and currently listed as Schedule I in the U.S. (DEA, 2021).

#### <u>Alfentanil</u>

With over a quarter the potency of fentanyl, this compound is still a formidable sedative (UNODC). Alfentanil is extremely fast acting, making it the perfect pre-surgery anesthetic. It is available in hospitals, and consequently, a Schedule II drug in the U.S. (DEA, 2021). It was also among those originally validated by Biotage<sup>®</sup> (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1). Alfentanil was mentioned in four JAT publications between 2018-2019 (Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019) and is in NMS Labs' screening protocols (NMS Labs, 2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Baselt is a text titled "Disposition of Toxic Drugs and Chemicals in Man" by Randall C. Baselt. It is often referred to as "The Toxicology Bible" amongst toxicologists. It is essentially an encyclopedia of drugs providing research, typical concentrations, and suggested analytical procedures for their detection.

# <u>α-Methylfentanyl</u>

*alpha*-Methylfentanyl (AMF) is over 50 times as potent as morphine according to UNODC, and therefore almost a quarter the strength of fentanyl itself. It has the same major metabolite as fentanyl, norfentanyl. Deaths have been attributed to this drug as early as the 1970's. It was the first major fentalog of note and made its entrance to the illicit drug market under the tradename "China white." It was introduced as super potent heroin, though many heroin users made the mistake of using the same amount as they always had with their old drug of choice. This resulted in a rash of overdoses that flooded the underground. Recently, it has been mentioned in two JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Seymour, 2018) and is a Schedule I compound in the U.S. (DEA, 2021)

#### β-Hydroxythiofentanyl

*beta*-Hydroxythiofentanyl was identified in nine fatality cases in Florida between 2015-2016 (UNODC) and has been seen in three JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Goggin, 2018; Kahl, 2018.) According to UNODC, it also primarily metabolizes to norfentanyl, and is considered a "key analog" by the association. It is a Schedule I substance in this country (DEA, 2021).

#### Butyryl fentanyl

According to UNODC, this fentalog is approximately 7x as potent as morphine, and therefore not nearly as potent as fentanyl. It is considered a "key analog" by their organization. Butyryl fentanyl emerged in 2013 and reported by the EU Early Warning System after seizures in Poland (European Monitoring Centre, 2018). In 2014, it was seen as part of drug seizures in Sweden and from there, the United States that same year (UNODC). It was then seen in five JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Kahl, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). This analog is screened by NMS Labs and currently listed as a Schedule I drug in this country (NMS Labs, 2018; DEA, 2021).

#### **Carfentanil**

This compound has been cited by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) as "the most potent fentanyl analog detected in the U.S.; [it] is estimated to be 10,000 times more potent than morphine." UNODC corroborates its incredible strength. It has been used as a tranquilizer for large animals, particularly elephants, since 1975; its only legal use in the US is for veterinary purposes. It was supposedly the chemical agent used in the 2002 Moscow theater incident that killed the 40 Chechen hostage-takers, but also 131 innocents (Feasel, 2016).

Carfentanil did not make its way into the illicit drug trade until 2013 when it was identified as part of a drug seizure in Latvia. It appeared in the U.S. drug scene in 2016 in combination with heroin. The drug was responsible for over 500 deaths in that year alone in Ohio and Florida. It was listed on the 2017 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018) and has appeared in seven JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Kahl, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). It is amongst those screened by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018) and part of the original method validated by Biotage<sup>®</sup> from which this project was developed (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1). It is currently a Schedule II drug in the United States, but only for use on large animals (DEA, 2021). Crotonyl fentanyl

Crotonyl fentanyl is a common contaminant in the synthesis of its isomer cycloproyl fentanyl (discussed below). It is listed as Schedule I in the U.S. (DEA, 2021). This compound has not been seen on the illicit drug market but it does bring up valid concerns related to false positives. It will be included as part of the interference study portion of this validation.

## Cyclopropyl fentanyl

Cyclopropyl fentanyl was listed on the 2018 EU Early Warning System, and is currently an analyte included in NMS labs' screening methods (European Monitoring Centre, 2018; NMS Labs, 2018). It has also been reported by OSBI's drug lab four times in 2018-2019 and mentioned in five JAT articles in that same period of time (Fogarty, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). It is listed as a Schedule I drug in the United States (DEA, 2021). Cyclopropyl fentanyl has been evaluated for cross-reactivity with the OSBI's fentanyl drug-screen assay. It did not produce a positive result on the Immunalysis<sup>©</sup> enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test. As mentioned previously, its isomer, crotonyl fentanyl, will be evaluated for interference.

#### 4-Fluoro-isobutyryl fentanyl

4-Fluoro-isobutyryl fentanyl a.k.a. *para*-fluorisobutyryl fentanyl or 4-FIBF was reported in 22 fatality cases in Florida 2015-2016. It was confirmed in 14 cases in Sweden during that time (UNODC). Subsequently, it was included on the 2017 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018) and appeared in five JAT articles 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Kahl, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). It is an analyte in the NMS labs' fentalog screen (NMS Labs, 2018,) part of the original Biotage<sup>®</sup> method (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1,) and Schedule I in the United States (DEA, 2021)

#### Furanyl fentanyl

This fentanyl analog has an unfortunate street name of "grey death." Between 2015 and 2016, it was seen in 10 confirmed cases across the U.S. It was then listed on the 2017 EU Early Warning System, and monitored by NMS labs (European Monitoring Centre, 2018; NMS Labs, 2018). Furanyl fentanyl has appeared in nine JAT articles from 2018-2019 and identified in one

case by the OSBI's drug lab during that timeframe (Fogarty, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Kahl, 2018; Nash, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). It was one of the original compounds validated by Biotage<sup>®</sup>. Currently, furanyl fentanyl is a Schedule I compound in this country (DEA, 2021). Its potency is similar to its cousin, butyryl fentanyl (UNODC), which is also Schedule I (DEA, 2021).

#### Isobutyryl fentanyl

This compound is slightly more potent than morphine, between 2-7x as strong, according to UNODC. It was made a Schedule I compound in February of 2018 (DEA, 2021). Isobutyryl fentanyl has been featured in two JAT articles from 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Seymour, 2018) is currently screened for by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018,) and was part of the method from which this one initially stemmed (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1).

#### Methoxyacetyl fentanyl

Methoxyacetyl fentanyl has appeared in four JAT articles published 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019). It was reported by the 2018 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018), is included as part of NMS labs' screening methods (NMS Labs, 2018), the aforementioned Biotage<sup>©</sup> method (Biotage<sup>©</sup>, 2019, April 1), and currently Schedule I in the U.S. (DEA, 2021).

## <u>MT-45</u>

MT-45, or 1-cyclohexyl-4-(1,2-diphenylethyl) piperizine, holds the highest scheduling status in both the U.S. and the United Kingdom (U.K.) (DEA, 2021). This drug is banned in the Czech Republic and has several recognized fatalities in Sweden (UNODC). It was included on the 2014 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018) and has appeared in

five JAT articles published between the years of 2018 and 2019 (Goggin, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Salomone, 2018).

#### <u>Ocfentanil</u>

Ocfentanil, originally called A-3217, was synthesized in the early 1990's by the pharmaceutical company Anaquest in an effort to create an opioid with less harmful respiratory and cardiovascular effects than fentanyl (F.E. Dussy, 2016). The drug happened to be more than twice as potent, and thus never approved for medical use. It first appeared as an illicit substance in Belgium in 2015 during the autopsy of a 17-year-old male (Coopman, 2016,) and just recently in 2019, it was identified in powder marketed as heroin (Degreef, 2019.) The powder was submitted for testing in preparation of the Belgium Early Warning System. Ocfentanil has been mentioned in four JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Partridge, 2018; Seymour, 2018) and currently listed as a Schedule I drug in the United States (DEA, 2021) *ortho*-Flourofentanyl

A report of two men overdosing on this compound was reported out of Norway in 2016; they responded to Naloxone<sup>9</sup> but the one tragically passed away days later (Arne, 2017). Four cases have been reported in California as of 2017, along with three others in Virginia (UNODC). It appeared in a JAT article in 2018 (Fogarty, 2018) and placed on a temporary scheduling order as Schedule I in 2017. This order expired in October of 2019 and as of 2021, this drug is still a Schedule I drug in the US (DEA, 2021). *ortho*-Fluorofentanyl was part of the original Biotage<sup>®</sup> method (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1) and is amongst those screened by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Naloxone is an injected or nasally administered compound that counteracts the effect of opiates/opioids. It is carried by first responders to stop an overdose.

### para-Fluorobutyryl fentanyl

*para*-Fluorobutyryl fentanyl (p-FBF, or PFBF) appeared for the first time in a fatality case in Sweden in 2015 (UNODC) and was subsequently mentioned in two JAT articles (Goggin, 2018; Partridge, 2018.) It is currently part of the fentanyl analog screening method employed by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018) and listed as Schedule I in the United States (DEA, 2021).

#### para-Fluorofentanyl

*para*-Fluorofentanyl (p-FF or PFF) has been mentioned in four JAT articles from 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018; Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019) and is currently screened for by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018.) It is a Schedule I drug in this country (DEA, 2021). According to UNODC, it shares the same potency as acetyl fentanyl.

#### Remifentanil

According to UNODC, this compound is on par with fentanyl as far as potency; that being said, it is much more potent than morphine, and is listed as a "key analog" in the organization's publication on the analysis of this group of drugs. Remifentanil is a Schedule II compound in the United States because it is sometimes used as a surgical anesthetic and analgesic (DEA, 2021). This compound was mentioned in a JAT article by Salomone in 2018. <u>Sufentanil</u>

With upwards of 20 times the potency of fentanyl and 4500x that of morphine (UNODC), this drug has been regularly used as a surgical anesthetic since 1976, and therefore Schedule II (DEA, 2021.) It has been mentioned in three JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Salomone, 2018; Seymour, 2018; Sofalvi, 2019.) It is part of the original Biotage<sup>®</sup> method (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1,) and currently screened for by NMS labs (NMS Labs, 2018.)

## Tetrahydrofuranyl fentanyl

Tetrahydrofuranyl fentanyl, also encountered as tetrahydrofuran fentanyl, THFF was seen in 5 confirmed deaths in Sweden between 2015-2016 (UNODC). It then appeared on the 2017 EU Early Warning System (European Monitoring Centre, 2018) and has been seen in two different JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Fogarty, 2018). THFF is included on NMS labs' screening methods (NMS Labs, 2018) and listed as a Schedule I drug in this country (DEA, 2021).

#### <u>U-47700</u>

It is estimated that this synthetic opioid has eight times the potency of morphine (Baselt, 2019). It emerged as a drug of abuse in 2015 and has continued to give rise to its own set of variants. It was seen in four fatality cases in Florida between 2015-2016 and featured in five JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Partridge, 2018; Salomone, 2018). U-47700 is an analyte included on NMS labs' screening methods (NMS Labs, 2018), amongst those from the foundational Biotage<sup>®</sup> method (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019, April 1,) and currently a Schedule I drug in the U.S. (DEA, 2021).

### Valeryl fentanyl

Valeryl fentanyl was part of the Biotage<sup>©</sup> method from which this validation stemmed, is part of NMS labs' fentalog panel (NMS Labs, 2018), and has been featured in two JAT articles between 2018-2019 (Goggin, 2018; Guerrieri, 2018). It is a Schedule I drug in the United States (DEA, 2021). The December 2021 issue of The American Journal of Forensic Medicine and Pathology will include an article from Michigan discussing 13 deaths attributed to this drug. The article calls for an expansion of opioid testing. The OSBI shares this notion.











# Figure 7: Chemical Structures of Fentanyl and Related Compounds

Several of the listed compounds have yet to be seen in Oklahoma via the OSBI drug chemistry unit. They are none-the-less included in this method for completeness, and to prepare in the event of their emergence. These drugs were chosen due to their prevalence throughout the world. Not all are in the drug chemistry unit's mass spectral library, so there is the potential for false negatives. This is where a drug is not identified because the method used to identify it is unable to detect it, causing it to be falsely reported as negative despite being present. The present method will be put in place in the toxicology unit to reduce the instance of false negatives.
The method from which the present one was developed was published in a paper written by Biotage<sup>®</sup> as part of the application notes for their products (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, 2019.) This company is dedicated to providing academic, research, environmental, and forensic facilities with the equipment needed to fulfill their goals. Their free online webinar hosted by SeparationSciences showcased one of their product categories, SPE cartridges. Two different elution solvents were tested with two different SPE cartridges and one supported liquid extraction (SLE) cartridge. The recoveries for each iteration were evaluated and presented in the webinar. The combination with the highest recovery was chosen as a starting point for this validation: the EVOLUTE EXPRESS CX SPE cartridge with 78:20:2 dichloromethane (DCM): isopropanol (IPA): ammonium hydroxide (NH<sub>4</sub>OH) as the elution solvent. The method is described in the following figure, as it appeared in the webinar.



Figure 8: Sample Preparation for Fentanyl Analogs in Whole-Blood

(Biotage<sup>©</sup>, 2019, April 1)

Seymour et. al. used an extraction solvent of 1 mL 50:50 methanol (MeOH): acetonitrile (ACN), and a reconstitution solvent of 100  $\mu$ L 90:10 0.1% aqueous formic acid (FA):ACN (Seymour, 2018). This method published in the JAT explained the analysis of fentanyl analogs in dried blood samples (Seymour, 2018). All of the reagents are currently available for use in the OSBI toxicology lab. Though this was not a SPE method given the samples were dried blood, the solvents were still considered for use.

Fogerty et. al. also published a method for detecting fentanyl analogs in the JAT; it uses a 500  $\mu$ L sample volume with 50  $\mu$ L internal standard solution (ISTD), a pre-treatment of 2 mL pH 6 phosphate buffer followed by centrifugation for 5 minutes (Fogerty, 2018). The supernatant is then loaded onto the SPE column, and washed with 1.5 mL of deionized water, 0.5 mL of 0.1 M acetic acid, and finally 1.5 mL of MeOH. The elution solvent used for this method was 78:20:2 ethyl acetate: ACN: NH<sub>4</sub>OH with a 200  $\mu$ L reconstitution solvent composed of 60:40 5 mM ammonium formate: 0.1% FA in MeOH. Ammonium formate is not a reagent kept on hand in the OSBI toxicology lab and therefore a substitution, likely one of the mobile phases, would be made unless a solvent with similar properties could be found.

Kahl et.al. published their SPE LC-MS/MS method in the JAT for the quantitation of six fentanyl analogs in various post-mortem specimens, including tissue homogenates (Kahl, 2018). Their method consisted of 500  $\mu$ L sample volumes with 50  $\mu$ L ISTD pretreated with 4 mL of pH 6 phosphate buffer. The samples were allowed to stand for 15 minutes then centrifuged for 10 minutes. The supernatant was then loaded onto the column and washed with 3 mL of deionized water, 1 mL of 1M acetic acid, 2 mL of hexane, 3 mL hexane: ethyl acetate (1:1), and 3 mL MeOH before being eluted w/ DCM: IPA: NH<sub>4</sub>OH (78:20:2) with 50  $\mu$ L of 0.1% aqueous FA as the reconstitution solvent. This method seems promising in that it has been validated for

multiple sample matrices including liver & brain homogenates, as well as both whole blood and serum. With a resulting limit of detection (LOD) of at least 0.5 ng/mL for all validated analogs, 0.2 ng/mL for carfentanil; it definitely shows promise.

The following method performed by Winborn & Kerrigan was also published in the JAT, and involves the detection of desomorphine (a.k.a Krokodil) in urine by LC-MS/MS (Winborn, 2019). It is noteworthy because it involves an opioid, not a fentanyl analog. It also addresses the other obstacle, urine as a sample matrix. If this method works universally for both opioids and fentanyl-related drugs, it would be extremely useful. The method uses a 500  $\mu$ L sample volume with an added 50  $\mu$ L of ISTD at a concentration of 0.25  $\mu$ g/mL. A 1 mL 0.1M HCl fortification or pre-treatment solvent is used followed by washing with deionized water, 0.1 M hydrochloric acid (HCl), MeOH, and ethyl acetate all at 1 mL respectively. The elution solvent used was two aliquots of 500  $\mu$ L of 4% concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH in ethyl acetate. The samples were reconstituted in 30  $\mu$ L of 92:8 Mobile Phase A: B, with A being 0.1% aqueous FA and B 0.1% FA in Acetonitrile. These happen to be the same mobile phases used by our lab and so no changes to the method in that regard would need to be made.

Finkelstein et. al. published an article in the JAT describing their fentanyl protocol and extraction (Finkelstein, 2019). Though the analysis uses GCMS, the extraction involves SPE, and thus still offers valuable information. In addition, the matrices involved were both blood and urine and resulted in low LODs for both, 0.5 ng/mL and 0.75 ng/mL respectively. The validated extraction technique consisted of a sample volume of 1 mL treated with 2 mL of pH 6 buffer, vortexed, centrifuged, and loaded onto the SPE column. The supernatant is then washed with 2 mL of deionized water, 1 mL of 100mM acetic acid, 3 mL of MeOH and dried for 5 minutes before being eluted with 1200 μL of 78:20:2 DCM: IPA: NH<sub>4</sub>OH. The eluent is finally dried &

reconstituted in 50  $\mu$ L of ethyl acetate. This method uses the same elution solvent and several of the same washes as the original method developed by Biotage<sup>©</sup>.

The last method comes from UNODC, though it would be looked at only in the event all other variations above had been exhausted given the fact it is more time-consuming and several of the reagents are not readily available in the OSBI toxicology lab. It is noteworthy in that it is approved for use in both blood and urine and was suitable for 16 different fentalogs, suggesting it is fairly universal. It involves the use of a 500 µL sample treated with 2 mL of potassium phosphate buffer, which does not happen to be in the OSBI toxicology lab already. The pretreated sample is sonicated for 15 minutes which has been unique to this extraction thus far. The OSBI laboratory does have a sonicator, but it is not used in any other protocol currently in policy. After sonication, the sample is centrifuged for 10 minutes, which is twice the longest time for any other current protocol. After it is spun down, the samples are loaded onto SPE cartridge with a sorbent thicker than that used here, 35 mg. The samples are washed with 2 mL of deionized water and 100 mM acetic acid each and dried. After drying, it is washed again this time with 1 mL of MeOH and ethyl acetate respectively. Finally, the sample is eluted with 1.2 mL of ethyl acetate: MeOH: NH4OH (93:5:2) in two aliquots of 600 µL.

UNODC actually offers three different SPE methods all validated with the same LC-MS/MS method with LODs below that of any other mentioned thus far, less than 0.04 ng/mL for six different opioids. The other two UNODC SPE extractions were not considered for the following reasons. The first uses a reverse phase ion exchange column which is not available for use at this time and could not be considered for this project. Further, this SPE method was only used for U-47700 and does not appear to be universal to all fentalogs. The second is similar to those mentioned thus far. Both of these are for use in blood and not applicable to urine. The washes and elution solvents from the second method may be considered after all above have been tested, as it is very similar already.

Taking into account all of the methods listed, the Biotage<sup>®</sup> SPE extraction was modified and adapted for use by the OSBI toxicology unit. The LC-MS/MS analytical method was developed from the OSBI's current one for Opiates, and not that published by Biotage<sup>®</sup>. The finalized method was validated using OSBI's Toxicology Quality Manual, which follows OSAC recommended guidelines for the validation of methods prepared by American National Standards Institute/American Academy of Forensic Science Standards Board (ANSI/ASB, 2019).

#### **Materials and Methods**

#### **Chemicals and Reagents**

Certified reference materials purchased or provided by Cerilliant served as primary standards (Cerilliant Inc., Round Rock, TX.) beta-Hydroxythiofentanyl-<sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub> and fentanyl-<sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub> were used as internal standards. They were provided by Cerilliant. All Cerilliant standards were commercially prepared in methanol at concentrations between 50  $\mu$ g/mL – 1 mg/mL. This ensured all inherently dangerous drugs were safe to handle in the laboratory. It allows the OSBI toxicology lab to comply with *de minimus* level regulations, even though it has a DEA license for possession of controlled substances. All standards possessed a certificate of analysis. A few certified reference materials from the original list were obtained through Cayman Chemical, (Ann Arbor, MI) but none of the finalized compounds were purchased from this manufacturer.

The following LCMS reagent grade items were purchased through ThermoFisher Scientific (Pittsburgh, PA): acetonitrile (ACN), concentrated ammonium hydroxide (NH<sub>4</sub>OH), ethyl acetate (EA), 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile (Mobile Phase B), 0.1% formic acid in water (Mobile Phase A), isopropanol, and methanol. Deionized water is on tap at the OSBI FSC. A solution consisting of 50:50 Mobile Phase A: Mobile Phase B served as the reconstitution and dilution solvent for the method.

Two certified drug-free blank matrices were used including bovine blood from Lampire Biological Laboratories (Pipersville, PA) and synthetic urine from Immunalysis (Pomona, CA). Human blood obtained from prior casework that had reached its maximum retention was also used if it was reported as "No drugs detected." Use of case specimens is allowed by OSBI policy for research purposes only. An institutional review board (IRB) consisting of UCO faculty and staff was consulted for the use of human specimens. Their use was found to be acceptable because no identifying information would be retained or published for the individuals' samples used in this study.

### **Supplies and Equipment**

The following consumables were purchased from ThermoFisher Scientific (Pittsburgh, PA): 5 mL conical centrifuge tubes with polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) lined screw caps, limited volume inserts, microcentrifuge tubes, Pasteur pipettes, pipette tips, and silicone autosampler vial caps with rubber septum. Glass autosampler vials were purchased from Phenomenex (Torrance, CA.) The following laboratory equipment was also purchased through ThermoFisher Scientific (Pittsburgh, PA): calibrated volumetric flasks, centrifuge, Eppendorf pipettes (adjustable and fixed), nitrogen evaporator (N-Evap), pneumatic positive pressure manifold, and vortex mixer.

The following specialty equipment was purchased from the listed manufacturer: EVOLUTE EXPRESS CX 30 mg 1 mL solid phase extraction cartridges (Biotage<sup>®</sup>, Uppsala, Sweden), LCMS 8050 triple quadrupole system (Shimadzu, Columbia, MD), and a Raptor<sup>™</sup> Biphenyl HPLC column with dimensions of 100×2.1 mm and 2.7 µm particle size (Restek,

Bellefonte, PA.) Nitrogen was supplied by a nitrogen generator (Peak Scientific, Billerica, MA.)

## **Preparation of Standard Solutions**

The standard solution preparation below is worded and formatted in line with the OSBI toxicology unit's current opiates protocol.

#### High Positive Control (HPC)

Secondary High Positive Control Solution (5:1  $\mu$ g/mL): Transfer the appropriate amount of each 1 mg/mL primary standard (50  $\mu$ L or 10  $\mu$ L) as shown in the table below to a 10 mL volumetric flask and fill to the mark with dilution solvent; refrigerate.

Compound	<u>Volume (µL)</u>
4-ANPP	50
Acryl fentanyl	10
Butyryl fentanyl	10
<u>Cyclopropy</u> l fentanyl	50
Fentanyl	50
<i>para</i> -Fluorofentanyl	10
Furanyl fentanyl	10
Methoxyacetyl fentanyl	50
Norfentanyl	50
Valeryl fentanyl	50

#### Table 2: Volume of Certified Reference Materials Used to Prepare Standard Solutions

Tertiary High Positive Control Solution (500:100 ng/mL): Transfer 1 mL of secondary high positive control, 50  $\mu$ L of each 100  $\mu$ g/mL primary standard (Sufentanil, alpha-Methylfentanyl, and 4-FIBF) and 100  $\mu$ L of each 50  $\mu$ g/mL primary standard (acetyl fentanyl) to a 10 mL volumetric flask and fill to the mark with dilution solvent; refrigerate.

Working High Positive Control Solution (50:10 ng/mL): Transfer 1 mL of tertiary high positive

control to a 10 mL volumetric flask and fill to the mark with dilution solvent; refrigerate.

Low Positive Control (LPC)

TX42 Working Low Positive Control Solution (5:1 ng/mL): Transfer 1 mL of working HPC to a 10 mL volumetric flask and fill to the mark with dilution solvent; refrigerate.

Compound	LPC (ng/mL)	HPC (ng/mL)
4-ANPP	0.5	5
<u>4-FIBF</u> /PFBF	0.5	5
Acetyl fentanyl	0.5	5
Acryl fentanyl	0.1	1
alpha-Methylfentanyl	0.5	5
Butyryl fentanyl	0.1	1
Cyclopropyl/Crotonyl fentanyl	0.5	5
Fentanyl	0.5	5
Fluorofentanyl	0.1	1
Furanyl fentanyl	0.1	1
Methoxyacetyl fentanyl	0.5	5
Norfentanyl	0.5	5

#### Table 3: Final Concentrations of Controls in 100 µL of Sample

Sufentanil	0.5	5
Valeryl fentanyl	0.5	5

## Pre-Treatment Solution/Internal Standard (ISTD)

Secondary Internal Standard Solution (5  $\mu$ g/mL): Transfer 10  $\mu$ L of each 1 mg/mL carbon-13 labeled primary internal standard to a 2 mL volumetric flask and dilute with Mobile Phase A; refrigerate.

Pre-treatment Solution/Working Internal Standard Solution (1 ng/mL): Transfer 10 µL of secondary internal standard solution to a 50 mL volumetric flask and dilute with Mobile Phase A; refrigerate.

Elution Solvent

Combine Ethyl Acetate, Acetonitrile, and concentrated Ammonium Hydroxide in a 39:10:1

EA/ACN/NH<sub>4</sub>OH ratio and store at room temperature. This must be made the day of use.

### **LC-MS/MS** Conditions

The following conditions are listed as they will appear in the OSBI toxicology unit's official protocol for this method.

#### Gradient Elution

Mobile Phase A: 0.1% Formic Acid in Water

Mobile Phase B: 0.1% Formic Acid in Acetonitrile

Initial Composition: 95% A, 5% B, Total Flow 0.60 mL/min

0.2 - 3.5 min: % B increased to 50%

3.5 – 4.25 min: % B increased to 95%

4.25 – 5.45 min: % B is held at 95%

5.45 - 6.50 min: % B decreased to 5%

### Column/Oven Temperature: 50°C

Column Type: Restek Biphenyl  $100 \times 2.1$  mm and  $2.7 \mu$ m particle size



### Figure 9: LC-MS/MS Gradient Elution Time Program

#### Autosampler

Injection Volume: 3 µL, may be adjusted down as needed

Sampling Speed: 5 µL/s

Cooler Temperature: 15°C

Interface

Electro-spray Ionization (ESI)

Nebulizing & Drying Gas: Nitrogen

Nebulizing Gas Flow: 2.0 L/min

Drying Gas Flow: 15.0 L/min

Collision Induced Dissociation (CID) Gas: Argon 230 kPa

# Desolvation Line (DL) Temperature: 250°C

Heat Block Temperature: 400°C

Compound	Molecular	Retention	MRM	Q1	Collision	Q3
Name	Weight <sup>10</sup>	Time	Transitions <sup>12</sup>	Voltage	Energy	Voltage
	(amu <sup>11</sup> )	(min)	(m/Z)	(Volts)	(Volts)	(Volts)
Norfentanyl	232.32	1.95	233.10>84.10	-12	-21	-21
rontentanyi			233.10>55.00	-12	-36	-22
beta-	364.45	2.62	365.00>347.30	-18	-17	-26
Hydroxythiofentanyl -			365.00>192.05	-25	-24	-21
<sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>			365.00>110.95	-18	-40	-21
Methoxyacetyl	352.47	2.63	353.00>188.10	-20	-25	-20
fentanyl			353.00>105.15	-19	-40	-20
A cotyl fontanyl	322.44	2.70	323.00>188.10	-20	-25	-20
Acetyr rentanyr			323.00>105.15	-20	-40	-20
A_A NDD	280.41	2.92	281.00>188.15	-20	-19	-20
			281.00>105.20	-20	-30	-20
A cryl fontanyl	334.45	2.94	335.00>188.20	-20	-25	-20
Actyrtentanyr			335.00>105.20	-20	-40	-20
Fentanyl	336.47	2.97	337.20>188.00	-20	-25	-20
rentanyi			337.20>105.00	-20	-40	-20
Fentanyl – <sup>13</sup> C	342.43	2.97	343.00>188.20	-20	-25	-20
rentanyi – C <sub>6</sub>			343.00>105.15	-18	-40	-20
Fluorofentanyl	354.46	3.03	355.00>188.15	-20	-25	-20
Fiuororentanyi			355.00>105.20	-20	-40	-20

# Table 4: LC-MS/MS Parameters

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> All molecular weights were obtained from the certificate of analysis and are listed here as the base.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Atomic mass units

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> These were obtained from UNODC and various other sources with the allowance for the instrument to fine tune them during optimization.

alpha-Methylfentanyl	350.50	3.12	351.30>91.10	-18	-40	-20
			351.30>202.00	-13	-24	-20
			351.30>119.20	-13	-28	-13
Cyclopropyl fentanyl	348.48	3.12	349.00>188.15	-20	-25	-20
			349.00>105.20	-19	-40	-20
Furanyl fentanyl	374.48	3.12	375.00>188.10	-20	-25	-20
			375.00>105.15	-20	-40	-20
Butyryl fentanyl	350.50	3.19	351.00>188.10	-20	-25	-20
			351.00>105.15	-20	-45	-20
4-FIBF/PFBF	368.49	3.20	369.30>188.15	-20	-25	-20
			369.30>105.05	-19	-40	-20
Sufentanil	386.55	3.31	387.10>238.15	-23	-23	-26
			387.10>111.10	-14	-39	-20
			387.10>355.05	-14	-21	-18
Valeryl fentanyl	364.52	3.44	365.10>188.15	-20	-25	-20
			365.10>105.15	-20	-40	-20

(Ross-Carr, 2017)

## **Sample Preparation**

The sample preparation scheme below is worded and formatted in line with the OSBI toxicology unit's current opiates protocol.

- 1. Label a clean, disposable micro-centrifuge tube, conical centrifuge tube, and autosampler vial for each control and case sample.
- 2. Rotate & thoroughly vortex blood samples before pipetting.
- 3. Prepare the low positive control by adding 10  $\mu$ L of working low positive control solution and 90  $\mu$ L of drug-free whole blood to the low positive micro-centrifuge tube.
- 4. Prepare the high positive control by adding 10  $\mu$ L of working high positive control solution and 90  $\mu$ L of drug-free whole blood to the high positive micro-centrifuge tube.

- 5. Add 100 µL of drug-free whole blood to the negative control micro-centrifuge tube.
- 6. Add 100  $\mu$ L of each case specimen to the appropriately labeled micro-centrifuge tubes.
- 7. Add 100  $\mu$ L of pretreatment/working internal standard solution and vortex.
- 8. Load each sample onto a separate SPE cartridge previously placed onto the sample plate of a positive pressure manifold.
- Apply the necessary pressure to elute the sample into the waste trough, ~85 psi for blood (full-flow) and ~10-20 psi for urine (regulated-flow.)
- 10. Wash each cartridge with each of the following reagents, eluting into the waste trough before moving on to the next wash: 1 mL of deionized water, 1 mL of 0.1% FA (Mobile Phase A), and 1 mL of methanol.
- 11. Dry the cartridges for ~1 min at 20 psi or switch to full flow.
- 12. Elute into labeled conical centrifuge tubes by switching the waste trough for the sample rack and washing with two aliquots of 760  $\mu$ L of elution solvent.
- 13. Evaporate to dryness at approximately 40°C with a steady stream of nitrogen.
- 14. Add 50 µL of reconstitution solvent to each conical.
- 15. Vortex briefly and centrifuge to collect the sample in the bottom of conical.
- 16. Transfer sample to appropriately labeled autosampler vials.
- 17. Centrifuge at 2800 3000 rpm as needed.
- 18. Begin each run with the following sequence: low positive control, high positive control, negative control.
- 19. Inject 3 μL of sample, injection volume may be adjusted down as needed. If a different injection volume is used, it should be documented in the case record. The same injection volume must be used for entire sequence. Utilize "TX42.lcm" method.

#### **Method Development**

The first challenge that arose when attempting this method was that it was created specifically for fentalogs, and not the more common opiates. This resulted in extremely high recoveries for fentanyl and very low recoveries for the rest of the compounds in the OSBI's current TX40 Opiates Protocol.

The second challenge was finding a method that not only worked for both opiates & opioids alongside fentanyl-related compounds, but also effective for blood and urine specimens. To obtain higher recoveries for all compounds from both matrices, several different combinations of pretreatment, reconstitution, and elution solvents were tested using the general Biotage<sup>®</sup> method. 200 30 mg/mL 1-mL EVOLUTE EXPRESS CX cartridges from Biotage<sup>®</sup> were provided for preliminary trials, free of charge. The 30 mg refers to the amount of sorbent bed packed into the cartridges, and 1-mL is the total volume of the cartridge.

After exploratory testing and discussion with Biotage<sup>©</sup>, it was determined the traditional opiates would require a different elution solvent than that of the fentalogs. This shifted the project from incorporating the opiates and fentalogs into one method to a fentalog only endeavor.

This method was first developed on a Shimadzu LCMS 8030+ using a C-18 column. This did not display adequate separation of the structurally similar fentalogs and sensitivity was poor. An acceptable method was developed under these conditions but a new column and instrument were purchased. This provided adequate separation for all compounds in the final method, as evidenced by Figure 10 on the following page. The method was moved to the new instrument, re-optimized, developed, and validated on the LCMS 8050 system using the biphenyl column listed previously. Optimization was performed by preparing 50 or 500 ng/mL solutions by adding 1  $\mu$ L of each primary standard (100  $\mu$ g/ml or 1 mg/mL) to 2 mL of dilution solvent in an autosampler vial. Ion transitions from literature were used as starting points with the allowance for them to be modified by the instrument's optimization program. Voltages and collision energies for each compound was calculated for maximum recovery and specificity. These values in volts may be found in Table 4.



Figure 10: Chromatographic Overview - Overlaid Ion Chromatograms for All Compounds

All of the aforementioned compounds found in Figure 7 were optimized on the instrument. This means they will be detected should they appear in the sample. However, not all were validated for reporting. The final list was pared down to the top 15 compounds in addition to two internal standards. This was an administrative decision by the OSBI laboratory hierarchy to optimize analyst time and laboratory resources. Those optimized but not validated may undergo full validation if they are identified in a sample using a version of the analytical method that contains their optimized transitions. Only compounds successfully validated will be included in the low and high controls used for identification and reporting. The list of compounds considered for full validation is as follows.

- Norfentanyl
- 4-ANPP
- Acetyl fentanyl
- Acryl fentanyl
- Carfentanil
- Cyclopropyl/Crotonyl fentanyl
- Fentanyl
- Furanyl fentanyl
- Butyryl fentanyl
- Methoxyacetyl fentanyl
- 4-Fluoro-isobutyryl fentanyl/para-Fluorobutyryl fentanyl/ (4-FIBF/PFBF)
- Fluorofentanyl
- Sufentanil
- Valeryl fentanyl

- *α*-Methylfentanyl
- Fentanyl  ${}^{13}C_6$
- $\beta$ -Hydroxythiofentanyl  ${}^{13}C_6$

The following compounds were <u>not</u> included in the final method but they will be added to the OSBI toxicology unit's mass spectral library for identification by full-scan gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GCMS), although it is unlikely any will be seen by this less sensitive method. Those underlined were mentioned in the previously listed sources at least twice and were considered for inclusion in this method due to their availability and prevalence in the literature.

Benzyl fentanyl	4'-methyl Acetyl fentanyl	Norcarfentanil
<u>U-48800</u>	<u>U-49900</u>	<u>U-51754</u>

The following compounds were mentioned in the previously listed sources at least twice and were considered for inclusion in this method, but were not provided or purchased for this validation.

Butyryl norfentanyl	para-Methoxybutyryl fentanyl	Norsufentanil
Cyclopentenyl fentanyl	Furanyl norfentanyl	

The following isotopically labeled compounds were provided by Cerilliant. Those

underlined were considered as internal standards for this method.

Fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	$\beta$ - <u>Hydroxythiofentanyl-<sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub></u>	Valeryl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>
Acetyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Acryl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	4-ANPP- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>
Butyryl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Cyclopropyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Furanyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>

<i>para</i> -Fluorobutyryl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	<i>para</i> -Fluorofentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Methoxyacetyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>
4'-Methylacetyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Remifentanil- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	U-47700- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>3</sub> , <sup>15</sup> N <sub>2</sub>
Carfentanil- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Benzyl fentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	Norfentanyl- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>
Norcarfentanil- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>6</sub>	U-48800- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>3</sub> , <sup>15</sup> N <sub>2</sub>	U-49900- <sup>13</sup> C <sub>5</sub>

Fentanyl-d5 had been previously purchased by the OSBI toxicology unit and was compared to fentanyl-<sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub>. Upon optimization of both, no difference could be seen. The literature speaks of the "deuterated shift" and the superiority of the C-13 labeled standards, therefore, these were chosen over those labeled with deuterium (Landvatter, 2017).  $\beta$ -Hydroxythiofentanyl – <sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub> was chosen because its unlabeled counterpart was the earliest eluting compound in the method and valeryl fentanyl – <sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub> was likewise the latest. Fentanyl – <sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub> was chosen as a mid-eluter to cover the full range of the method and ensure recovery at the beginning, middle, and end of the analytical run.

## Validation Results

Parameter	Acceptable Limit	Result
Carryover	No analyte carryover may be observed	- Valeryl fentanyl displayed carry-over at
	above the LOD. Post-mortem concentrations	the highest concentration tested but did
	from literature and previous case history will	not meet reporting criteria.
	be used to determine a suitable testing limit.	- No other analytes in the finalized list
		displayed carryover at 28 ng/mL (280x
		and 56x LPC)

### Table 5: Validation Parameters Evaluated and Results

Interference	Evaluate all compounds from other validated	- See Table 6 for interferences tested.
	methods, as well as other drugs commonly	- The following pairs of compounds were
	identified in the toxicology laboratory. Ten	found to be indistinguishable:
	blank samples of each matrix will be	• Cyclopropyl & crotonyl fentanyl
	analyzed to verify no matrix interference is	• Butyryl & isobutyryl fentanyl
	present.	• 4-FIBF & PFBF
		• ortho- & para- Fluorofentanyl.
		- Valeryl fentanyl-13C6 appeared to be
		contaminated with unlabeled compound
		and was not included in the final method.
Ionization	< 25% suppression or enhancement and	- The following compounds were above
Suppression/	< 20% CV due to matrix (if not, evaluate	the specified limits:
Enhancement	impact on LOD by tripling the number of	• 4-ANPP, acryl fentanyl, and
	matrix sources used for evaluation)	furanyl fentanyl in blood and
		urine
		• Butyryl fentanyl and cyclopropyl
		fentanyl in blood
		- The impact on the LOD was evaluated.
Limit of	Defined as the decision point (Ross-Carr,	- Carfentanil did not meet acceptance
Detection	2017.) Policy allows this parameter to be	criteria and was not included in the final
(LOD)	administratively set (Stillwell, 2020.)	method.
		- All criteria were met at the decision
	A minimum of nine samples per run of each	point for all other analytes in both
	fortified matrix sample at the concentration	matrices.
	of the decision point shall be analyzed over	
	three runs to demonstrate all detection and	
	identification criteria are met and to evaluate	
	the impact of ISE.	

(Stillwell, 2020)

#### Discussion

#### Carry-Over

Carry-over occurs when a substance from a previous sample is falsely detected in a subsequent one. This could potentially lead to false positives for the sample in which the substance is not present. The analytical instrumentation should be able to clean itself effectively between samples to keep this from happening. If carry-over is observed, the instrumental parameters are changed to avoid this issue.

Carry over was evaluated by analyzing neat samples at 28 ng/mL followed by extracted blanks of each matrix. Each was analyzed in triplicate with blanks after each injection to show no carry-over. 28 ng/mL is more than five times that of the decided HPC. According to Pearson (2015), the average fatal concentration when combined with heroin is 18 ng/mL for fentanyl, 2 ng/mL for norfentanyl, and 8 ng/mL for acetyl fentanyl. Baselt (2017) lists an average blood fentanyl concentration of 8.3 ng/mL in fatalities attributed to this drug. Because the OSBI only performs ante-mortem toxicology, it is unlikely any samples will have concentrations this high in living people. With this in mind, 28 ng/mL is more than high enough to evaluate carry-over.

Valeryl fentanyl displayed carry-over at this concentration though the signal did not meet reporting criteria when evaluated against controls. No other compounds displayed significant carry-over.

#### Interference

Interference occurs when one substance is falsely identified as another. Compound interference was evaluated by analyzing neat samples of each drug individually to see if they gave signals for other compounds in the method. No compounds in the final method gave signals for others; however, known isomers of the selected compounds were tested and found to

be indistinguishable. This includes cyclopropyl & crotonyl fentanyl, butyryl & isobutyryl fentanyl, 4-FIBF & PFBF, *ortho-* & *para*-fluorofentanyl.

To remedy these identical compounds, certain adjustments were made. For cyclopropyl and crotonyl fentanyl, the two will be reported as one result with a "/" between their names, "cyclopropyl/crotonyl fentanyl." For the same reason, 4-FIBF and PFBF will be reported in this fashion as well.

For butyryl & isobutyryl, the two will be reported as simply "butyryl Fentanyl" with the knowledge that it could be either the straight chain or branched compound if asked in court. The reasoning for this is the two do not have completely separate names as with crotonyl and cyclopropyl fentanyl. "Isobutyryl/Butyryl fentanyl" would be needlessly overcomplicated and redundant. For the same reasons as with butyryl fentanyl, fluorofentanyl will be reported without a prefix.

Valeryl fentanyl –  ${}^{13}C_6$  did not pass the interference study. This was due to contamination by its unlabeled counterpart. This could lead to false positives in the future. Only beta-Hydroxythiofentanyl–  ${}^{13}C_6$  and fentanyl–  ${}^{13}C_6$  would be included in the final method. This would nonetheless provide adequate coverage over the length of the method.

Non-fentalog compound interferences were evaluated using drugs routinely encountered by the OSBI toxicology unit. All HPCs from all protocols were analyzed as separate neat solutions. One neat solution was made containing drugs not present in HPCs but commonly encountered. This solution was prepared from standards already on hand, purchased from Cerilliant, Inc. (Round Rock, TX.)

11-Hydroxy-Δ9-tetrahydrocannabinol	Diphenhydramine	N-desmethylcitalopram
(THC-OH)		
11-Nor-9-carboxy-∆9-	Doxepin	N-desmethyl-tramadol
tetrahydrocannabinol (THCA)		
3-4 methylenedioxy	Etizolam	Nordiazepam
methamphetamine (MDMA)		
5-Fluoro-ADB	Flualprazolam	Nordoxepin
		(Desmethyldoxepin)
5-Fluoro-AMB	Flubromazolam	Nortriptyline
6-monoacetylmorphine	Flunitrazepam	O-desmethylvenlafaxine
AB Chminaca	Flurazepam	Oxazepam
AB-Fubinaca	FUB-PB-22	Oxycodone
AB-Pinaca	Gabapentin	Oxymorphone
ADB Pinaca	Hydrocodone	PB-22
Alprazolam	Hydromorphone	Pentobarbital
AM1248	JWH-018	Phenazepam
AM2201	JWH-073	Phencyclidine (PCP)
Amitriptyline	JWH-081	Phenobarbital
Amobarbital	JWH122	Phentermine
Amphetamine	JWH-210	Prazepam
Benzoylecgonine	JWH-250	Secobarbital
Butalbital	Ketamine	Sertraline

# **Table 6: Commonly Encountered Drugs Evaluated for Interference**

#### SPE OF FENTALOGS FOR LC-MS/MS ANALYSIS

Cannabinol	Lorazepam	Temazepam
Carisoprodol	MAB-Chminaca	Topiramate
Chlordiazepoxide	MAM2201	Tramadol
Clonazepam	Meprobamate	Trazodone
Cocaine	Methadone	Triazolam
Codeine	Methamphetamine	UR-144
Cyclobenzaprine	Methylone	XLR11
Dextromethorphan	Midazolam	Zolpidem
Diazepam	Morphine	Δ9-tetrahydrocannabinol
		(THC)

Matrix interference was evaluated by analyzing ten extracted blank blood samples from previously worked cases and ten synthetic urine samples all from different lot numbers. The blood samples were analyzed for casework purposes and shown to contain no drugs or alcohol. They had been labeled as destroyed in the evidence tracking system as they had reached their four-month retention date. The synthetic urine samples were included with Immunalysis ELISA kits used for casework. They were labeled as "drug-free synthetic urine with preservatives." Ion Suppression/Enhancement (ISE)

ISE occurs when an ion from one substance causes a false enhancement or suppression of the signal for another. This would cause the ion ratios for the enhanced/suppressed compound to appear different than if the interfering compound were not present. ISE was evaluated by extracting 20 blank samples of each matrix and fortified post-extraction with reconstitution solvent spiked with either the LPC or HPC concentration. Ten of the samples were reconstituted at the LPC concentration and the other ten at the HPC concentration for each matrix. Area counts from the fortified blanks were compared to those of six neat samples at each of the two concentrations to evaluate the impact from other compounds in the sample.

The following compounds did not meet the <25% ISE and/or the <20% coefficient of variation (CV) requirement: 4-ANPP, acryl fentanyl, & furanyl fentanyl in blood and urine, butyryl fentanyl and cyclopropyl fentanyl in blood only. Carfentanil failed in both matrices as well but it was not included in the final method due to issues during the limit of detection (LOD) study, discussed below. ISE charts for each compound in both matrices may be found in the appendix.

The OSBI Toxicology Quality Manual required <15% CV at the time the validation plan was written. The OSAC recommended standards published by ANSI/ASB were updated shortly after with the <20% CV (ANSI/ASB, 2019.) A new version of the quality manual was put in place with this change and the new value was used for the validation.

For all instances where the data did not meet the ISE requirements, the farthest outlying data point was evaluated using a statistical Q-test<sup>13</sup>. If its Q-value was higher than that for a data set of 10 samples, it was not considered. One data point for 4-ANPP in urine was deemed an outlier although its removal did not affect the result, it still failed to meet criteria.

The impact on the LOD for those compounds listed above was evaluated by tripling the number of matrix sources used in the evaluation as dictated in the OSBI Toxicology Quality Manual.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Dixon's Q-test is a statistical evaluation to determine whether a data point in a set can be classified as an outlier and thus considered invalid. If the result is higher than the Q value for a specific number of data points, it may be eliminated. A table of Q values must be consulted. Mathematically, Q = gap/range (Libretexts, 2020). The range is the difference of the highest data point in the set from the point in question, while the gap is the difference of the lowest data point.

## Limit of Detection (LOD)

Compound	LOD (ng/mL) Blood	LOD (ng/mL) Urine
4-ANPP	0.5	0.5
<u>4-FIBF</u> /PFBF	0.5	0.25
Acetyl fentanyl	0.125	0.125
Acryl fentanyl	0.05	0.05
alpha-Methylfentanyl	0.5	0.5
Butyryl fentanyl	0.1	0.05
<u>Cyclopropy</u> l/Crotonyl fentanyl	0.125	0.125
Fentanyl	0.125	0.125
Fluorofentanyl	0.1	0.1
Furanyl fentanyl	0.1	0.1
Methoxyacetyl fentanyl	0.125	0.125
Norfentanyl	0.5	0.5
Sufentanil	0.25	0.125
Valeryl fentanyl	0.125	0.125

## Table 7: Decision Points for Limit of Detection of Each Compound in Both Matrices Tested

The decision points were established by performing the first day of the LOD study with three different matrix sources, extracted in duplicate, at the LPC concentration, 50% of the LPC concentration, and 25%. A serial dilution was performed on the LPC to prepare the other two concentrations. The samples were prepared in the same fashion as the LPC in the protocol. 90  $\mu$ L of blank matrix was combined with 10  $\mu$ L of each of the three LPC solutions separately. The dilution solvent used was the same as that used to prepare all standard solutions. 38 samples were extracted the first day to establish the decision points. Subsequently, 19 solutions were extracted each day for the next two days for confirmation.

The concentration that most consistently met acceptance criteria was set as the decision point. Acceptance criteria is described in the OSBI Toxicology Quality Manual. It includes symmetrical peak shape, retention time within 0.15 minutes of that of the LPC, and ion ratios within 30% of the average of the LPC & HPC. To establish the ion ratios, HPCs of each blank matrix type was extracted with the LOD samples. Because there were multiple LPCs, the average of them all was used to set the retention time. After the decision point was established and approved by the TM, the following two days of the LOD study were the same only the different matrix sources were not extracted in duplicate.

Carfentanil was not included in the the finalized method after the LOD study showed inconsistent ion ratios at the LPC concentration. 4-ANPP also exhibited issues during the LOD study, in that the abundance was very low and chromatography was consistently poor. Discussions to increase the LPC concentration from 0.1 ng/mL to 0.5 ng/mL for both compounds ensued. 4-ANPP would be increased while carfentanil would not and would be dropped form the final method. According to Tiscione (2018), "reports have demonstrated that methods with limits of detection of 100 pg/mL or more will fail to detect many instances of carfentanil use in PM samples." Because the LPC concentration was already set at this recommended concentration, anything higher was deemed pointless, especially for the ante-mortem work performed at the OSBI.

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### **Stability**

The stability of extracted samples was evaluated across a typical five-day workweek. Ten aliquots of each blank matrix was extracted, five at the HPC concentration and five at the LPC concentration. Bovine blood and synthetic urine served as the blank matrix sources. The five samples of like concentration and matrix type were combined to ensure a homogenous sample and then redistributed into autosampler vials. One of each concentration and type was injected per day. Each sample was injected in triplicate. The samples were refrigerated when not being used.

The results of the stability study showed no significant difference in concentration across the five-day study. Although this study was not on the original validation plan and thus not required, it was performed none-the-less.

#### Bias, Precision, Calibration Model, and Limit of Quantitation

As seen in "Appendix 2 – OSBI Toxicology Unit TX42 Validation Plan," bias, precision, calibration model, and limit of quantitation were not required components of this validation. This is because this method is entirely qualitative in nature; no quantitative data will be produced from this procedure. In the OSBI toxicology unit, we routinely quantitate alcohol, but scarcely do so with drugs. Only six compounds have validated quantitation methods: alprazolam, methamphetamine, codeine, oxycodone, hydrocodone, and morphine. It is the policy of the OSBI to quantitate drugs only under specific circumstances, by request or court order of the state prosecuting attorney, and prior supervisor approval. This is due to the many decades correlating a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) with impairment, and very little in the way of drugs. In addition, state law dictates impairment is irrelevant in regards to alcohol. Above a BAC of 0.08 g/100 mL of whole blood, a person is *per se* impaired no matter the circumstances.

When we criminalists must appear in court, our testimony is the same whether we quantitate a drug or qualitatively identify it. When asked on the stand about how a drug may affect a person, we give generalizations about the possible effects it may have on an average person. We will not provide statements about how a specific individual may be affected by a particular drug. This is why we rarely quantitate, and have protocols for quantitating so few drugs. We feel we cannot provide meaning to the number produced by quantitation, and feel it could be misleading to the trier of fact (judge or jury). If someone sees a seemingly large or small number without a reference, we feel it could inadvertently taint their judgment. We do not feel comfortable providing such a circumstance by quantitating drugs in our casework.

#### **Future Research**

In 2019, ten authentic case specimens suspected to contain fentalogs were retained for future testing. They screened positive by ELISA for fentanyl but when LC-MS/MS analysis was performed, fentanyl did not appear to be present. ELISA is a non-specific test that can be triggered positive by drugs similar in structure to the target. Theoretically, the ELISA could have been triggered by a fentalog. LC-MS/MS is a highly specific test and would only be able to detect fentanyl itself. With this new method, these specimens could be analyze in order to test this theory.

Upon completion of this project and its successful institution for casework, the current opiates method will begin its conversion from a liquid-liquid "crash and shoot" sample preparation to a solid phase one. This converted method will be the same as that explained herein with one difference, the elution solvent. This is to account for differences in molecular structure and polarity of opiates and opioids in contrast to fentalogs. After this new opiates method is instituted as well, the benzodiazepines will also be converted to the new paradigm. According to Biotage<sup>®</sup>, the same extraction method as the fentalogs has purportedly proven successful for the benzodiazepines. This is another avenue for exploration. By extension, this could mean all basic drugs could be recovered via this extraction. Potentially, this would mean the OSBI could convert their outdated (circa 1976) alkaline drug screen performed on GC-MS to a much more sensitive LC-MS/MS method. This would drastically decrease the amount of time for extraction. It is the hope of the OSBI Toxicology unit that all LC-MS/MS methods be converted to solid phase sample preparations. This will extend the life of the instrument by increasing its sensitivity for the detection of all drugs, no matter the method.

Another aim is to use less sample without sacrificing sensitivity. In the event of a fatality or serious injury collision, the subject is often taken to the hospital. When they arrive, several vials of blood are drawn for their testing purposes. Officers often obtain these vials under search warrant and submit them in lieu of a state issued blood kit for toxicology testing. These vials are significantly smaller and contain very little sample. Methods that only require 100  $\mu$ L of sample are highly coveted in these circumstances. The OSBI can detect over 30 compounds via LC-MS/MS using only 100  $\mu$ L of sample. With the validation of this method, this number will increase by almost 50%. The paradigm shift from LLE to SPE for all alkaline drug extractions would reduce the required amount of sample from 2 mL to 100  $\mu$ L, and increase the number of reportable drugs using this sample amount from less than 50 to over 250.

This validation was met with several analytical, financial, and technical challenges over the two years it took to complete. This was primarily due to the need to balance casework while still finding time to work on this project. The instrument was down for periods of time and often unavailable due to the priority of casework over validations. Despite the challenges faced, it was imperative this method be validated. As of 2021, fentanyl has made its way into the top ten drugs reported by the OSBI toxicology unit. The number of fentanyl cases reported by the OSBI drug chemistry unit doubled from 2020 to 2021. This goes to show, the opioid crisis is far from over.

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# Appendices

### Appendix 1 – OSAC Guidelines for DUI Cases

**Table 1:** Required Minimum Analytical Scope and Sensitivity1 for Toxicology Testing in Impaired

 Driving Investigations

Compound <sup>1</sup>	Blood Screen	Blood Confirmation <sup>2</sup>	Urine Screen	Urine Confirmation <sup>2</sup>
Ethanol				
Ethanol	0.01 g/dL	0.01 g/dL	0.01 g/dL	0.01 g/dL
Cannabinoids	07			
THC		1		N/A
Carboxy-THC	10 ng/mL	5 ng/mL	20 ng/mL	5 ng/mL
11-OH-THC		1		N/A
CNS Stimulants				
Amphetamine	20 ng/mL	20 ng/mL	200 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
Methamphetamine	20 ng/mL	20 ng/mL	200 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
MDA		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
MDMA		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Cocaine		10 ng/mL		20 ng/mL
Cocaethylene		10 ng/mL		20 ng/mL
Benzoylecgonine	50 ng/mL	50 ng/mL	150 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
CNS Depressants				0
Carisoprodol	500 ng/mL	500 ng/mL	500 ng/mL	500 ng/mL
Meprobamate <sup>3</sup>		500 ng/mL		500 ng/mL
Zolpidem	10 ng/mL	10 ng/mL	20 ng/mL	20 ng/mL
Low Dose Benzodiazepines <sup>3</sup>	10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL	-
Alprazolam	-	10 ng/mL	-	50 ng/mL
αOH-alprazolam		N/A		50 ng/mL
Clonazepam		10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
7-aminoclonazepam		10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Lorazepam		10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
High Dose Benzodiazepines	50 ng/mL		100 ng/mL	
Diazepam		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Nordiazepam		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Oxazepam		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Temazepam		20 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Narcotic Analgesics				
Morphine	10 ng/mL	10 ng/mL	200 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
Codeine		10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
6-acetylmorphine		5 ng/mL		10 ng/mL
Hydrocodone		10 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Hydromorphone		5 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Oxycodone	10 ng/mL	10 ng/mL	100 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
Oxymorphone		5 ng/mL		50 ng/mL
Methadone	50 ng/mL	20 ng/mL	300 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
Fentanyl	1 ng/mL	0.5 ng/mL	1 ng/mL	0.5 ng/mL
Buprenorphine	1 ng/mL	0.5 ng/mL	5 ng/mL	1 ng/mL
Norbuprenorphine	*	0.5 ng/mL		1 ng/mL
Tramadol	100 ng/mL	50 ng/mL	100 ng/mL	50 ng/mL
o-desmethyltramadol		50 ng/mL		50 ng/mL

1ng/mL is equivalent to g/L

<sup>2</sup>Confirmation is based on free drug concentrations

Appendix 2 – OSBI Toxicology Unit TX42 Validation Plan

VALIDATION PLAN		
TOXICOLOGY UNIT // OSBI-FSC Laboratory		
Analyst: Alli Timmons Da Validate new solid-phase extra Scope: the detection of synthetic opio validated for detection in whol	ate: 05/06/20 action protocols and create new LC-MS/MS methods for ids, fentanyl analogs, and other opioids not already le blood and urine.	
Matrix(ces): Whole blood	(bovine and human) & urine (water and synthetic)	
Analyte(s): Opioids, fent	yte(s): Opioids, fentanyl analogs, and synthetic opioids	
Instrumentation: LC-MS/MS		
Analytical Method(s): Qualitative		
Sample Preparation: Solid-phase e	extraction	
Acceptable Limits		
Bias (accuracy):	<u>N/A</u>	
Calibration Model:	N/A	
⊠Carryover:	No analyte carryover may be observed above the method limit of detection.	
☐ Interference Studies: Evaluate interference from compounds currently in TX40 as well as other drugs commonly identified in the toxicology laboratory. Ten blank samples of each matrix will be analyzed to verify that no matrix interference is present.		
Ionization Suppression/Enhancement:       Less than 25% suppression or enhancement and < 15% CV         due to matrix (if not evaluate impact on LOD)		
Image: Second state in the image: Second sta		
Limit of Quantitation: <u>N/A</u>		
Precision: <u>N/A</u>		
Processed Sample Stability: <u>N/A</u>		
Dilution Integrity (if applicable): $\underline{N/A}$		
Other Information: The newly developed method and all validated compounds will be assessed for adherence to the above criteria using the current Toxicology Quality Manual.		
Technical Manager Approval: Dilber Date: 05/07/20 (09/24/18)		

ISO/IEC 17025:2017(E) 6.2.6 – Analysts authorized to perform a validation or verification for the aforementioned scope include: Alli Timmons, Melissa Cavazos, Melissa Brous, Danielle Ross-Carr, Sean Mize, Kourtney Heard, Jeff Hickerson, Torrance Anderson, and Garry Metcalfe.

Goals/Objectives: The current opiates method (TX40) employed by the OSBI Forensic Toxicology Unit contains morphine, 6-monoacetyl morphine, codeine, hydrocodone, hydromorphone, oxycodone, oxymorphone, and fentanyl. One goal of this project will be to expand the TX40 opiates protocol to include desomorphine, buprenorphine, and norbuprenorphine. There have been several customers that have requested buprenorphine testing, but we do not currently have a method sensitive enough for its detection. Buprenorphine is also recommended by the Organization of Scientific Action Committees (OSAC) and listed as a tier I drug by the National Safety Council's Alcohol, Drugs and Impairment Division. Tier I drugs are listed as mandatory in the OSAC recommendations. There has also been an increase in use noticed by the toxicology community. Finally, our new drug-screen instrumentation, Randox, will be able to test for it as well as desomorphine, and it is strongly recommended by the toxicology scientific community that a presumptive test should not be performed if a subsequent confirmation cannot also be performed.

Another goal is to take fentanyl out of TX40 and create a new fentanyl method with the additional analogues and synthetics listed in the attached table. This new method will allow for the detection of 25 additional compounds not previously available to our customers, in addition to the three compounds that will be added to the current TX40 method. By removing fentanyl from the TX40 protocol, a more comprehensive and targeted confirmatory test will be available for cases that screen positive for fentanyl. Although the ELISA presumptive screen analyzes for fentanyl and some fentanyl analogs, our current method is validated for fentanyl only. The new method and addition of fentanyl analogs will reduce the possibility of unconfirmed presumptive positive cases. Both protocols will have a new, more robust solid-phase extraction for sample preparation. The two will be nearly identical and will only differ by elution solvent.

Financial Impact: All needed materials and necessary equipment have already been purchased on a grant providing law enforcement the needed funds to combat the opioid crisis in the United States. There may be a slight increase in solvent usage, but all necessary solvents are in use by the unit in other protocols. Due to the inclusion of additional compounds, more standards will need to be routinely ordered to maintain a supply of unexpired standards for preparation of the controls and internal standards required to complete both analyses. Based on a survey of eight fentanyl analogs used for this new method, the average standard costs approximately \$90 and lasts several years. More solid-phase extraction cartridges will need to be purchased in the future, although a large amount were bought with this grant, which will likely last several years. Cartridges cost approximately \$250 for a pack of 100 and one cartridge is used per sample.

Evaluation Process: The new methods will be evaluated using the above mentioned criteria for carryover, interferences, ionization suppression/enhancement, and limit of detection. FTU QM 7.2, which was developed from SWGTOX recommended method validation guidelines, will be used to determine all steps needed to complete the validation along with the recently released Standard Practices for Method Validation in Forensic Toxicology from the American Academy of Forensic Sciences' (AAFS) Standards Board. The latter will be referenced for any additional acceptance criteria.

(09/24/18)

Compound	Cut-off (ng/mL)
Buprenorphine	0.5
Norbuprenorphine	0.5
Desomorpine	See Fentanyl
Cyclopropyl Fentanyl	0.5
Carfentanil	0.1
Alfentanil	See Fentanyl
Norfentanyl	See Fentanyl
Furanyl Fentanyl	0.1
U-47700	1
(+/-)-cis-3-mthyl Fentanyl	0.1
4-ANPP	0.1
MT-45	See Fentanyl
AH-7921	See Fentanyl
Ocfentanil	See Fentanyl
Remifentanil	See Fentanyl
Sufentanil	1.0
Acetyl Fentanyl	0.5
Isobutyryl Fentanyl	0.1
para-Fluorofentanyl	0.1
ortho-Fluorofentanyl	0.1
para-Flurobutyryl Fentanyl	0.1
Fluoro-isobutyryl Fentanyl	0.1
Methoxy Acetyl Fentanyl	0.5
Acryl Fentanyl	0.1
Valeryl Fentanyl	0.5
Tetrahydro Furanyl Fentanyl	0.2
α-methyl Fentanyl	See Fentanyl
β-hydroxythio Fentanyl	See Fentanyl
Fentanyl	0.5
Morphine	10
Oxymorphone	2.5
Hydromorphone	10
Codeine	10
Oxycodone	10
6-monoacetylmorphine	2.5
Hydrocodone	10

The last eight compounds in the chart above were taken from the current OSBI TX40 protocol. The remaining cut-off limits were taken from "NMS Labs Designer Opioids Screen Reporting Limits." These values are from a validated LC-MS/MS screening method. Those that state "See Fentanyl" could not be found in any reputable source and thus the cut-off for fentanyl was used.

		Blood
Lov	w Concentration	
Neat	beta-OH thio Fentanyl-13C6	
Set 1 - 1	65905	
Set 1 - 2	65565	
Set 1 - 3	66417	
Set 1 - 4	64675	
Set 1 - 5	67453	
Set 1 - 6	65084	
Recon Avg	65849.83333	
STDEV	994.2563888	
%CV	1.51	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	39970	
Set 2 - 2	61628	
Set 2 - 3	61962	
Set 2 - 4	55996	
Set 2 - 5	40341	
Set 2 - 6	56206	
Set 2 - 7	61552	
Set 2 - 8	71445	
Set 2 - 9	60369	
Set 2 - 10	60860	
Matrix Avg	57032.9	
STDEV	9836.661171	
%CV	17	
%Suppression	12	
/Enhancement	-13	

Hig	h Concentration
Neat	beta-OH thio Fentanyl-13C6
Set 1 - 1	62862
Set 1 - 2	57756
Set 1 - 3	56086
Set 1 - 4	60264
Set 1 - 5	52930
Set 1 - 6	61352
Recon Avg	58541.66667
STDEV	3678.805766
%CV	6.28
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	63195
Set 2 - 2	50840
Set 2 - 3	64083
Set 2 - 4	63603
Set 2 - 5	50456
Set 2 - 6	74436
Set 2 - 7	70812
Set 2 - 8	70843
Set 2 - 9	58188
Set 2 - 10	63242
Matrix Avg	62969.4
STDEV	8050.536065
%CV	13
%Suppression	0
/Enhancement	0

Lo	w Concentration
Neat	beta-OH thio Fentanyl-13C6
Set 1 - 1	65905
Set 1 - 2	65565
Set 1 - 3	66417
Set 1 - 4	64675
Set 1 - 5	67453
Set 1 - 6	65084
Recon Avg	65849.83333
STDEV	994.2563888
%CV	1.51
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	74208
Set 2 - 2	58983
Set 2 - 3	51382
Set 2 - 4	61023
Set 2 - 5	63189
Set 2 - 6	80003
Set 2 - 7	44881
Set 2 - 8	66254
Set 2 - 9	66434
Set 2 - 10	72904
Matrix Avg	63926.1
STDEV	10593.34892
%CV	17
%Suppression	_2
/Enhancement	-5

e	
Hig	h Concentration
Neat	beta-OH thio Fentanyl-13C6
Set 1 - 1	62862
Set 1 - 2	57756
Set 1 - 3	56086
Set 1 - 4	60264
Set 1 - 5	52930
Set 1 - 6	61352
Recon Avg	58541.66667
STDEV	3678.805766
%CV	6.28
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	59494
Set 2 - 2	33507
Set 2 - 3	57246
Set 2 - 4	67462
Set 2 - 5	75110
Set 2 - 6	65858
Set 2 - 7	73734
Set 2 - 8	67781
Set 2 - 9	65888
Set 2 - 10	67768
Matrix Avg	63384.8
STDEV	11821.06257
%CV	19
%Suppression	8
/Enhancement	, ,

Low Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	117665	
Set 1 - 2	114125	
Set 1 - 3	103537	
Set 1 - 4	109218	
Set 1 - 5	109221	
Set 1 - 6	95702	
Recon Avg	108244.6667	
STDEV	7806.436028	
%CV	7.21	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	62421	
Set 2 - 2	95452	
Set 2 - 3	96889	
Set 2 - 4	92040	
Set 2 - 5	56029	
Set 2 - 6	86055	
Set 2 - 7	111724	
Set 2 - 8	99874	
Set 2 - 9	99810	
Set 2 - 10	90509	
Matrix Avg	89080.3	
STDEV	17220.79519	
%CV	19	
%Suppression	-18	
/Enhancement	10	

High Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	1072277	
Set 1 - 2	1011931	
Set 1 - 3	939080	
Set 1 - 4	1034455	
Set 1 - 5	984425	
Set 1 - 6	1037102	
Recon Avg	1013211.667	
STDEV	46554.39212	
%CV	4.59	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	981402	
Set 2 - 2	738619	
Set 2 - 3	980732	
Set 2 - 4	1013226	
Set 2 - 5	921912	
Set 2 - 6	1201285	
Set 2 - 7	1029964	
Set 2 - 8	1154201	
Set 2 - 9	998604	
Set 2 - 10	1078522	
Matrix Avg	1009846.7	
STDEV	127235.281	
%CV	13	
%Suppression	0	
/Enhancement	0	

Low Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	117665	
Set 1 - 2	114125	
Set 1 - 3	103537	
Set 1 - 4	109218	
Set 1 - 5	109221	
Set 1 - 6	95702	
Recon Avg	108244.6667	
STDEV	7806.436028	
%CV	7.21	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	100745	
Set 2 - 2	84105	
Set 2 - 3	80086	
Set 2 - 4	96457	
Set 2 - 5	103390	
Set 2 - 6	115872	
Set 2 - 7	68365	
Set 2 - 8	97715	
Set 2 - 9	108880	
Set 2 - 10	105865	
Matrix Avg	96148	
STDEV	14516.68318	
%CV	15	
%Suppression		
/Enhancement	-11	

High Concentration	
Neat	Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	1072277
Set 1 - 2	1011931
Set 1 - 3	939080
Set 1 - 4	1034455
Set 1 - 5	984425
Set 1 - 6	1037102
Recon Avg	1013211.667
STDEV	46554.39212
%CV	4.59
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	1022999
Set 2 - 2	594032
Set 2 - 3	1058392
Set 2 - 4	1160069
Set 2 - 5	1300192
Set 2 - 6	1123115
Set 2 - 7	1249055
Set 2 - 8	1084056
Set 2 - 9	1054777
Set 2 - 10	1077456
Matrix Avg	1072414.3
STDEV	190116.5341
%CV	18
%Suppression	6
/Enhancement	

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Low Con	centration	
Neat	Fentanyl-13C6	
Set 1 - 1	215340	
Set 1 - 2	219462	
Set 1 - 3	214695	
Set 1 - 4	230279	
Set 1 - 5	214119	
Set 1 - 6	201509	
Recon Avg	215900.6667	
STDEV	9289.585021	
%CV	4.30	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	121566	
Set 2 - 2	212138	
Set 2 - 3	200751	
Set 2 - 4	189303	
Set 2 - 5	111934	
Set 2 - 6	161524	
Set 2 - 7	190423	
Set 2 - 8	194876	
Set 2 - 9	218529	
Set 2 - 10	188749	
Matrix Avg	178979.3	
STDEV	36239.05353	
%CV	20	
%Suppression	17 1010907	
/Enhancement	-1/.101005/	

High Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl-13C6	
Set 1 - 1	173955	
Set 1 - 2	186237	
Set 1 - 3	172101	
Set 1 - 4	194978	
Set 1 - 5	181808	
Set 1 - 6	199757	
Recon Avg	184806	
STDEV	11110.34631	
%CV	6.011896969	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	181544	
Set 2 - 2	127602	
Set 2 - 3	182842	
Set 2 - 4	194442	
Set 2 - 5	176833	
Set 2 - 6	221103	
Set 2 - 7	210903	
Set 2 - 8	225424	
Set 2 - 9	188955	
Set 2 - 10	191786	
Matrix Avg	190143.4	
STDEV	27633.7566	
%CV	15	
%Suppression	2.888109693	
/Enhancement		

Low Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl-13C6	
Set 1 - 1	215340	
Set 1 - 2	219462	
Set 1 - 3	214695	
Set 1 - 4	230279	
Set 1 - 5	214119	
Set 1 - 6	201509	
Recon Avg	215900.6667	
STDEV	9289.585021	
%CV	4.30	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	227866	
Set 2 - 2	185963	
Set 2 - 3	165534	
Set 2 - 4	196366	
Set 2 - 5	190842	
Set 2 - 6	250187	
Set 2 - 7	144571	
Set 2 - 8	189859	
Set 2 - 9	224393	
Set 2 - 10	201503	
Matrix Avg	197708.4	
STDEV	30726.83128	
%CV	16	
%Suppression /Enhancement	-8.4262207	

High Concentration		
Neat	Fentanyl-13C6	
Set 1 - 1	173955	
Set 1 - 2	18623	
Set 1 - 3	17210:	
Set 1 - 4	19497	
Set 1 - 5	181808	
Set 1 - 6	19975	
Recon Avg	184800	
STDEV	11110.3463	
%CV	6.011896969	
acted		
Set 2 - 1	187474	

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Set 1 - 6	199757
Recon Avg	184806
STDEV	11110.34631
%CV	6.011896969
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	187474
Set 2 - 2	103657
Set 2 - 3	200640
Set 2 - 4	212363
Set 2 - 5	247120
Set 2 - 6	199606
Set 2 - 7	246662
Set 2 - 8	200293
Set 2 - 9	208686
Set 2 - 10	196499
Matrix Avg	200300
STDEV	39548.57635
%CV	20
%Suppression /Enhancement	8.383926929

Low Concentration		
Neat	α-Methyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	131838	
Set 1 - 2	152053	
Set 1 - 3	130455	
Set 1 - 4	145594	
Set 1 - 5	133599	
Set 1 - 6	137425	
Recon Avg	138494	
STDEV	8582.402041	
%CV	6.20	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	75704	
Set 2 - 2	126783	
Set 2 - 3	117912	
Set 2 - 4	119446	
Set 2 - 5	84022	
Set 2 - 6	100182	
Set 2 - 7	129972	
Set 2 - 8	101884	
Set 2 - 9	124537	
Set 2 - 10	106195	
Matrix Avg	108663.7	
STDEV	18419.96691	
%CV	17	
%Suppression	-22	
/Enhancement	-22	

High Concentration		
Neat	α-Methyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	1299967	
Set 1 - 2	1214007	
Set 1 - 3	1150079	
Set 1 - 4	1252731	
Set 1 - 5	1280146	
Set 1 - 6	1290174	
Recon Avg	1247850.667	
STDEV	57059.3998	
%CV	4.572614442	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	1176156	
Set 2 - 2	900164	
Set 2 - 3	1210382	
Set 2 - 4	1250985	
Set 2 - 5	1088466	
Set 2 - 6	1094796	
Set 2 - 7	1208874	
Set 2 - 8	1269363	
Set 2 - 9	1168539	
Set 2 - 10	1242490	
Matrix Avg	1161021.5	
STDEV	110139.8443	
%CV	9	
%Suppression	-7	
/Enhancement	7	

Low Concentration		
Neat	α-Methyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	131838	
Set 1 - 2	152053	
Set 1 - 3	130455	
Set 1 - 4	145594	
Set 1 - 5	133599	
Set 1 - 6	137425	
Recon Avg	138494	
STDEV	8582.402041	
%CV	6.20	
xtracted		
Set 2 - 1	141191	
Set 2 - 2	123989	
Set 2 - 3	104372	
Set 2 - 4	122313	
Set 2 - 5	126751	
Set 2 - 6	152098	
Set 2 - 7	99980	
Set 2 - 8	123399	
Set 2 - 9	137961	
Set 2 - 10	141644	
Matrix Avg	127369.8	
STDEV	16501.47097	
%CV	13	
%Suppression	o	
/Enhancement	-0	

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	High Concentration		
	Neat	α-Methyl Fentanyl	
	Set 1 - 1	1299967	
	Set 1 - 2	1214007	
	Set 1 - 3	1150079	
	Set 1 - 4	1252731	
	Set 1 - 5	1280146	
	Set 1 - 6	1290174	
	Recon Avg	1247850.667	
	STDEV	57059.3998	
	%CV	4.572614442	
	Extracted		
	Set 2 - 1	1277003	
	Set 2 - 2	676850	
	Set 2 - 3	1354392	
	Set 2 - 4	1518619	
	Set 2 - 5	1626089	
	Set 2 - 6	1368114	
	Set 2 - 7	1581562	
	Set 2 - 8	1372975	
	Set 2 - 9	1345054	
	Set 2 - 10	1334000	
	Matrix Avg	1345465.8	
	STDEV	261977.1148	
	%CV	19	
	%Suppression	8	
	/Enhancement	o	

Low Co	ncentration
Neat	Valeryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	96930
Set 1 - 2	101937
Set 1 - 3	100579
Set 1 - 4	104670
Set 1 - 5	101953
Set 1 - 6	97297
Recon Avg	100561
STDEV	2985.06623
%CV	2.97
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	56278
Set 2 - 2	93219
Set 2 - 3	90692
Set 2 - 4	87995
Set 2 - 5	56409
Set 2 - 6	80231
Set 2 - 7	95569
Set 2 - 8	82127
Set 2 - 9	82590
Set 2 - 10	80318
Matrix Avg	80542.8
STDEV	13836.68061
%CV	17
%Suppression	-20
/Enhancement	-20

High Concentration		
Neat	Valeryl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	985093	
Set 1 - 2	907890	
Set 1 - 3	890181	
Set 1 - 4	969543	
Set 1 - 5	938973	
Set 1 - 6	966758	
Recon Avg	943073	
STDEV	37628.54682	
%CV	3.989993014	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	854721	
Set 2 - 2	664610	
Set 2 - 3	873476	
Set 2 - 4	939325	
Set 2 - 5	795659	
Set 2 - 6	952116	
Set 2 - 7	890622	
Set 2 - 8	953988	
Set 2 - 9	864351	
Set 2 - 10	906846	
Matrix Avg	869571.4	
STDEV	87160.84292	
%CV	10	
%Suppression	-8	
/Enhancement	-	

		Urine
Low Concentration		
Neat	Valeryl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	96930	
Set 1 - 2	101937	
Set 1 - 3	100579	
Set 1 - 4	104670	
Set 1 - 5	101953	
Set 1 - 6	97297	
Recon Avg	100561	
STDEV	2985.06623	
%CV	2.97	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	102190	
Set 2 - 2	82703	
Set 2 - 3	76177	
Set 2 - 4	94191	
Set 2 - 5	94029	
Set 2 - 6	117558	
Set 2 - 7	68815	
Set 2 - 8	91102	
Set 2 - 9	101225	
Set 2 - 10	104390	
Matrix Avg	93238	
STDEV	14392.91198	
%CV	15	
%Suppression	-7	
/Enhancement	,	

High Concentration	
Neat	Valeryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	985093
Set 1 - 2	907890
Set 1 - 3	890181
Set 1 - 4	969543
Set 1 - 5	938973
Set 1 - 6	966758
Recon Avg	943073
STDEV	37628.54682
%CV	3.989993014
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	967083
Set 2 - 2	532194
Set 2 - 3	989042
Set 2 - 4	1111335
Set 2 - 5	1181272
Set 2 - 6	1014044
Set 2 - 7	1178791
Set 2 - 8	1034215
Set 2 - 9	1011066
Set 2 - 10	990060
Matrix Avg	1000910.2
STDEV	182223.3604
%CV	18
%Suppression	6
/Enhancement	Ŭ

	ncontration
Neat	Sufentanil
Set 1 - 1	111455
Set 1 - 2	124692
Set 1 - 3	114128
Set 1 - 4	122651
Set 1 - 5	123809
Set 1 - 6	118347
Recon Avg	119180.3333
STDEV	5472.656454
%CV	4.59
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	63439
Set 2 - 2	108293
Set 2 - 3	113755
Set 2 - 4	104201
Set 2 - 5	61565
Set 2 - 6	97976
Set 2 - 7	112860
Set 2 - 8	101086
Set 2 - 9	108227
Set 2 - 10	91236
Matrix Avg	96263.8
STDEV	19047.11443
%CV	20
%Suppression	-19
/Enhancement	-15

High Concentration	
Neat	Sufentanil
Set 1 - 1	1166302
Set 1 - 2	1109957
Set 1 - 3	1074160
Set 1 - 4	1116533
Set 1 - 5	1126693
Set 1 - 6	1152506
Recon Avg	1124358.5
STDEV	32697.15551
%CV	2.908072071
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	1022867
Set 2 - 2	765243
Set 2 - 3	1016981
Set 2 - 4	1145818
Set 2 - 5	953572
Set 2 - 6	1163396
Set 2 - 7	1075633
Set 2 - 8	1179613
Set 2 - 9	1038348
Set 2 - 10	1093141
Matrix Avg	1045461.2
STDEV	121791.5307
%CV	12
%Suppression	-7
/Enhancement	,

		Urine
Low Concentration		
Neat	Sufentanil	
Set 1 - 1	111455	
Set 1 - 2	124692	
Set 1 - 3	114128	
Set 1 - 4	122651	
Set 1 - 5	123809	
Set 1 - 6	118347	
Recon Avg	119180.3333	
STDEV	5472.656454	
%CV	4.59	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	122814	
Set 2 - 2	103408	
Set 2 - 3	89441	
Set 2 - 4	114072	
Set 2 - 5	114513	
Set 2 - 6	130287	
Set 2 - 7	76448	
Set 2 - 8	103135	
Set 2 - 9	109117	
Set 2 - 10	118656	
Matrix Avg	108189.1	
STDEV	15967.37517	
%CV	15	
%Suppression	-9	
/Enhancement	-5	

High Concentration	
Neat	Sufentanil
Set 1 - 1	1166302
Set 1 - 2	1109957
Set 1 - 3	1074160
Set 1 - 4	1116533
Set 1 - 5	1126693
Set 1 - 6	1152506
Recon Avg	1124358.5
STDEV	32697.15551
%CV	2.908072071
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	1163298
Set 2 - 2	654705
Set 2 - 3	1222418
Set 2 - 4	1342867
Set 2 - 5	1428989
Set 2 - 6	1208655
Set 2 - 7	1450485
Set 2 - 8	1173979
Set 2 - 9	1180176
Set 2 - 10	1173828
Matrix Avg	1199940
STDEV	220256.3778
%CV	18
%Suppression	7
/Enhancement	,

Low Co	ncentration
Neat	Fluorofentanyl
Set 1 - 1	23358
Set 1 - 2	27012
Set 1 - 3	15688
Set 1 - 4	26560
Set 1 - 5	26608
Set 1 - 6	25373
Recon Avg	24099.83333
STDEV	4330.225048
%CV	17.97
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	10315
Set 2 - 2	24172
Set 2 - 3	14825
Set 2 - 4	17546
Set 2 - 5	15964
Set 2 - 6	19505
Set 2 - 7	19475
Set 2 - 8	23649
Set 2 - 9	25231
Set 2 - 10	23579
Matrix Avg	19426.1
STDEV	4842.08044
%CV	25
%Suppression	-19
/Enhancement	15

High Concentration	
Neat	Fluorofentanyl
Set 1 - 1	217661
Set 1 - 2	229638
Set 1 - 3	203511
Set 1 - 4	225954
Set 1 - 5	204297
Set 1 - 6	201850
Recon Avg	213818.5
STDEV	12267.35715
%CV	5.737275845
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	208714
Set 2 - 2	166015
Set 2 - 3	221085
Set 2 - 4	236631
Set 2 - 5	184892
Set 2 - 6	244528
Set 2 - 7	194642
Set 2 - 8	249194
Set 2 - 9	206246
Set 2 - 10	222360
Matrix Avg	213430.7
STDEV	26692.11025
%CV	13
%Suppression	0
/Enhancement	l s

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Low Concentration		
Neat	Fluorofentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	23358	
Set 1 - 2	27012	
Set 1 - 3	15688	
Set 1 - 4	26560	
Set 1 - 5	26608	
Set 1 - 6	25373	
Recon Avg	24099.83333	
STDEV	4330.225048	
%CV	17.97	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	28360	
Set 2 - 2	19950	
Set 2 - 3	15007	
Set 2 - 4	23452	
Set 2 - 5	21773	
Set 2 - 6	25802	
Set 2 - 7	13901	
Set 2 - 8	23988	
Set 2 - 9	22835	
Set 2 - 10	20954	
Matrix Avg	21602.2	
STDEV	4471.192031	
%CV	21	
%Suppression /Enhancement	-10	

High Concentration	
Neat	Fluorofentanyl
Set 1 - 1	217661
Set 1 - 2	229638
Set 1 - 3	203511
Set 1 - 4	225954
Set 1 - 5	204297
Set 1 - 6	201850
Recon Avg	213818.5
STDEV	12267.35715
%CV	5.737275845
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	224140
Set 2 - 2	123168
Set 2 - 3	221467
Set 2 - 4	242455
Set 2 - 5	300020
Set 2 - 6	238015
Set 2 - 7	276703
Set 2 - 8	216386
Set 2 - 9	225175
Set 2 - 10	239348
Matrix Avg	230687.7
STDEV	46085.47998
%CV	20
%Suppression	8
/Enhancement	6

Q test:

0.302359882

Q test:

0.07649215 0.176914033

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

Low	v Concentration
Neat	Methoxy Acetyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	43855
Set 1 - 2	46564
Set 1 - 3	43982
Set 1 - 4	47832
Set 1 - 5	47334
Set 1 - 6	44498
Recon Avg	45677.5
STDEV	1775.341742
%CV	3.89
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	27630
Set 2 - 2	43225
Set 2 - 3	38970
Set 2 - 4	40855
Set 2 - 5	25959
Set 2 - 6	34719
Set 2 - 7	42193
Set 2 - 8	42792
Set 2 - 9	43521
Set 2 - 10	38781
Matrix Avg	37864.5
STDEV	6421.599009
%CV	17
%Suppression	-17
/Enhancement	-1/

High	Concentration
Neat	Methoxy Acetyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	457209
Set 1 - 2	424542
Set 1 - 3	411588
Set 1 - 4	447726
Set 1 - 5	430619
Set 1 - 6	443750
Recon Avg	435905.666
STDEV	16754.2026
%CV	3.84353862
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	441880
Set 2 - 2	331932
Set 2 - 3	434738
Set 2 - 4	457790
Set 2 - 5	391067
Set 2 - 6	523009
Set 2 - 7	487392
Set 2 - 8	552476
Set 2 - 9	443636
Set 2 - 10	473160
Matrix Avg	453708
STDEV	62753.39569
%CV	14
%Suppression	Λ
/Enhancement	4

Low Concentration		
Neat	Methoxy Acetyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	43855	
Set 1 - 2	46564	
Set 1 - 3	43982	
Set 1 - 4	47832	
Set 1 - 5	47334	
Set 1 - 6	44498	
Recon Avg	45677.5	
STDEV	1775.341742	
%CV	3.89	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	45858	
Set 2 - 2	37278	
Set 2 - 3	34190	
Set 2 - 4	42021	
Set 2 - 5	44613	
Set 2 - 6	54272	
Set 2 - 7	31862	
Set 2 - 8	39599	
Set 2 - 9	45466	
Set 2 - 10	47628	
Matrix Avg	42278.7	
STDEV	6725.262408	
%CV	16	
%Suppression	7	
/Enhancement	-7	

High Concentration           Neat         Methoxy Acetyl Fentany           Set 1 - 1         45720           Set 1 - 2         42454           Set 1 - 3         41158           Set 1 - 3         41158           Set 1 - 4         44772           Set 1 - 5         43061           Set 1 - 6         44375           Recon Avg         435905.666           STDEV         16754.2026           %CV         3.84353862           Extracted         2           Set 2 - 1         44174           Set 2 - 2         25166           Set 2 - 1         44174           Set 2 - 2         25166           Set 2 - 3         44060           Set 2 - 4         52651           Set 2 - 5         55382           Set 2 - 7         53907           Set 2 - 9         46467           Set 2 - 9         46467           Set 2 - 10         46194           Matrix Avg         462216           STDEV         <	Urine			
Neat         Methoxy Acetyl Fentany           Set 1 - 1         45720           Set 1 - 2         42454           Set 1 - 3         41158           Set 1 - 4         44772           Set 1 - 5         43061           Set 1 - 6         44375           Recon Avg         435905.666           STDEV         16754.2026           %CV         3.84353862           Extracted         2           Set 2 - 1         44174           Set 2 - 2         25166           Set 2 - 3         44060           Set 2 - 4         52651           Set 2 - 5         55382           Set 2 - 6         47837           Set 2 - 7         53907           Set 2 - 9         46467           Set 2 - 10         46194           Matrix Avg         462216           STDEV         84274.0710           %CV         1           %Suppression         6		High Concentration		
Set 1 - 1         45720           Set 1 - 2         42454           Set 1 - 3         41158           Set 1 - 4         44772           Set 1 - 5         43061           Set 1 - 6         44375           Recon Avg         435905.666           STDEV         16754.2020           %CV         3.84353862           Extracted		Neat	Methoxy Acetyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 2         42454           Set 1 - 3         41158           Set 1 - 4         44772           Set 1 - 5         43061           Set 1 - 6         44375           Recon Avg         435905.666           STDEV         16754.2026           %CV         3.84353862           Extracted		Set 1 - 1	457209	
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%CV 1 %Suppression /Enhancement 6		STDEV	84274.07104	
%Suppression 6		%CV	18	
%Suppression 6				
/Enhancement		%Suppression	6	
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Low C	oncentration
Neat	Furanyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	32838
Set 1 - 2	39323
Set 1 - 3	31235
Set 1 - 4	30540
Set 1 - 5	39628
Set 1 - 6	45338
Recon Avg	36483.66667
STDEV	5873.91565
%CV	16.10
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	20543
Set 2 - 2	30309
Set 2 - 3	31306
Set 2 - 4	33032
Set 2 - 5	21098
Set 2 - 6	30163
Set 2 - 7	31302
Set 2 - 8	28260
Set 2 - 9	25186
Set 2 - 10	25669
Matrix Avg	27686.8
STDEV	4382.378624
%CV	16
%Suppression	24
/Enhancement	-24

High Concentration	
Neat	Furanyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	329893
Set 1 - 2	325434
Set 1 - 3	324076
Set 1 - 4	352189
Set 1 - 5	353341
Set 1 - 6	351187
Recon Avg	339353.3333
STDEV	14262.4506
%CV	4.202832033
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	308540
Set 2 - 2	245276
Set 2 - 3	321508
Set 2 - 4	340674
Set 2 - 5	300125
Set 2 - 6	289050
Set 2 - 7	293828
Set 2 - 8	332990
Set 2 - 9	316353
Set 2 - 10	331396
Matrix Avg	307974
STDEV	27984.61996
%CV	g
%Suppression	-9
/Enhancement	

Low Concentration	
Neat	Furanyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	32838
Set 1 - 2	39323
Set 1 - 3	31235
Set 1 - 4	30540
Set 1 - 5	39628
Set 1 - 6	45338
Recon Avg	36483.66667
STDEV	5873.91565
%CV	16.10
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	33955
Set 2 - 2	31676
Set 2 - 3	24581
Set 2 - 4	34754
Set 2 - 5	30210
Set 2 - 6	37618
Set 2 - 7	26638
Set 2 - 8	33508
Set 2 - 9	37086
Set 2 - 10	29267
Matrix Avg	31929.3
STDEV	4289.92243
%CV	13
%Suppression	_12
/Enhancement	-12

Urine		
	High C	oncentration
	Neat	Furanyl Fentanyl
	Set 1 - 1	329893
	Set 1 - 2	325434
	Set 1 - 3	324076
	Set 1 - 4	352189
	Set 1 - 5	353341
	Set 1 - 6	351187
	Recon Avg	339353.333
	STDEV	14262.4506
	%CV	4.202832033
	Extracted	
	Set 2 - 1	344562
	Set 2 - 2	202253
	Set 2 - 3	369654
	Set 2 - 4	385417
	Set 2 - 5	427083
	Set 2 - 6	361563
	Set 2 - 7	435523
	Set 2 - 8	355847
	Set 2 - 9	364853
	Set 2 - 10	376347
	Matrix Avg	362310.2
	STDEV	63528.31393
	%CV	18
	%Suppression	7
	/Enhancement	/

#### Low Concentration 4-FIBF Neat 140484 Set 1 - 1 Set 1 - 2 130371 Set 1 - 3 128730 147682 Set 1 - 4 Set 1 - 5 127020 Set 1 - 6 130611 **Recon Avg** 134149.6667 STDEV 8127.154992 6.06 Extracted Set 2 - 1 76138 Set 2 - 2 123660

134988

131232

69217

109681

127814

115179

120234

110697

111884 22325.04847

-17

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%CV

Set 2 - 3 Set 2 - 4

Set 2 - 5

Set 2 - 6

Set 2 - 7

Set 2 - 8

Set 2 - 9

Set 2 - 10

Matrix Avg

STDEV %CV

%Suppression

/Enhancement

Blood

High Concentration	
Neat	4-FIBF
Set 1 - 1	1282657
Set 1 - 2	1233084
Set 1 - 3	1186885
Set 1 - 4	1314634
Set 1 - 5	1236789
Set 1 - 6	1274775
Recon Avg	1254804
STDEV	45085.58203
%CV	3.5930378
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	1188249
Set 2 - 2	935987
Set 2 - 3	1148751
Set 2 - 4	1289891
Set 2 - 5	1089181
Set 2 - 6	1328132
Set 2 - 7	1293299
Set 2 - 8	1355718
Set 2 - 9	1149659
Set 2 - 10	1226328
Matrix Avg	1200519.5
STDEV	127114.9708
%CV	11
%Suppression	-4
/Enhancement	т

Low Concentration	
Neat	4-FIBF
Set 1 - 1	140484
Set 1 - 2	130371
Set 1 - 3	128730
Set 1 - 4	147682
Set 1 - 5	127020
Set 1 - 6	130611
Recon Avg	134149.6667
STDEV	8127.154992
%CV	6.06
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	126970
Set 2 - 2	122511
Set 2 - 3	106522
Set 2 - 4	112330
Set 2 - 5	124617
Set 2 - 6	138301
Set 2 - 7	90103
Set 2 - 8	114616
Set 2 - 9	128137
Set 2 - 10	131371
Matrix Avg	119547.8
STDEV	14015.46099
%CV	12
%Suppression	-11
/Enhancement	**

High Concentration	
Neat	4-FIBF
Set 1 - 1	1282657
Set 1 - 2	1233084
Set 1 - 3	1186885
Set 1 - 4	1314634
Set 1 - 5	1236789
Set 1 - 6	1274775
Recon Avg	1254804
STDEV	45085.58203
%CV	3.5930378
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	1318790
Set 2 - 2	708245
Set 2 - 3	1270226
Set 2 - 4	1485250
Set 2 - 5	1590367
Set 2 - 6	1391925
Set 2 - 7	1574917
Set 2 - 8	1360355
Set 2 - 9	1287072
Set 2 - 10	1391179
Matrix Avg	1337832.6
STDEV	247629.667
%CV	19
%Suppression	7
/Enhancement	•

Urine

	oncontration
Neat	Cyclopropyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	105817
Set 1 - 2	110815
Set 1 - 3	10015
Set 1 - 4	103273
Set 1 - 5	112650
Set 1 - 6	101935
Recon Avg	107111 1667
STDEV	4211 2557
%CV	3.93
	0.00
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	60715
Set 2 - 2	105967
Set 2 - 3	103949
Set 2 - 4	105198
Set 2 - 5	61212
Set 2 - 6	90182
Set 2 - 7	113099
Set 2 - 8	85182
Set 2 - 9	87869
Set 2 - 10	79938
Matrix Avg	89331.1
STDEV	18333.27226
%CV	21
%Suppression	-17
/Enhancement	±,

High Concentration	
Neat	Cyclopropyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	1049091
Set 1 - 2	1047531
Set 1 - 3	969356
Set 1 - 4	1089614
Set 1 - 5	1006688
Set 1 - 6	1010884
Recon Avg	1028860.667
STDEV	41962.86046
%CV	4.078575634
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	921845
Set 2 - 2	727377
Set 2 - 3	1012841
Set 2 - 4	1058822
Set 2 - 5	882418
Set 2 - 6	829146
Set 2 - 7	897765
Set 2 - 8	981847
Set 2 - 9	912773
Set 2 - 10	1014365
Matrix Avg	923919.9
STDEV	98763.27049
%CV	11
%Suppression	-10
/Enhancement	-10

Low Concentration		
Neat	Cyclopropyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	105817	
Set 1 - 2	110815	
Set 1 - 3	103279	
Set 1 - 4	108171	
Set 1 - 5	112650	
Set 1 - 6	101935	
Recon Avg	107111.1667	
STDEV	4211.2557	
%CV	3.93	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	119826	
Set 2 - 2	101887	
Set 2 - 3	80200	
Set 2 - 4	100654	
Set 2 - 5	106027	
Set 2 - 6	127389	
Set 2 - 7	74004	
Set 2 - 8	89435	
Set 2 - 9	108054	
Set 2 - 10	120728	
Matrix Avg	102820.4	
STDEV	17568.79301	
%CV	17	
%Suppression	-4	
/Enhancement	· · · ·	

**High Concentration** Cyclopropyl Fentanyl Neat 1049091 Set 1 - 1 Set 1 - 2 1047531 Set 1 - 3 969356 1089614 Set 1 - 4 Set 1 - 5 1006688 Set 1 - 6 1010884 Recon Avg 1028860.667 STDEV 41962.86046 4.078575634 %CV Extracted 1057349 Set 2 - 1 Set 2 - 2 555356 1085590 Set 2 - 3 1231594 Set 2 - 4 Set 2 - 5 1297494 Set 2 - 6 1171825 Set 2 - 7 1270248 1131972 Set 2 - 8 1072810 Set 2 - 9 1079779 Set 2 - 10 Matrix Avg 1095401.7 STDEV 208456.4611 %CV 19 %Suppression 6 /Enhancement

Q test:

0.00948763 0.136148442

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

Urine

	ncontration
Neat	Carfentanil
Set 1 - 1	8913
Set 1 - 2	12736
Set 1 - 3	13392
Set 1 - 4	10684
Set 1 - 5	15546
Set 1 - 6	13998
Recon Avg	12544.83333
STDEV	2388.549553
%CV	19.04
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	9103
Set 2 - 2	10659
Set 2 - 3	15370
Set 2 - 4	13299
Set 2 - 5	7260
Set 2 - 6	12201
Set 2 - 7	13530
Set 2 - 8	14496
Set 2 - 9	12154
Set 2 - 10	13325
Matrix Avg	12139.7
STDEV	2492.171924
%CV	21
%Suppression	-3
/Enhancement	,

High Concentration		
Neat	Carfentanil	
Set 1 - 1	141751	
Set 1 - 2	133899	
Set 1 - 3	120996	
Set 1 - 4	134139	
Set 1 - 5	130206	
Set 1 - 6	129031	
Recon Avg	131670.3333	
STDEV	6866.336073	
%CV	5.214793567	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	127390	
Set 2 - 2	98214	
Set 2 - 3	130126	
Set 2 - 4	143756	
Set 2 - 5	131154	
Set 2 - 6	150977	
Set 2 - 7	145159	
Set 2 - 8	156393	
Set 2 - 9	134869	
Set 2 - 10	140625	
Matrix Avg	135866.3	
STDEV	16215.97399	
%CV	12	
%Suppression	3	
/Enhancement	, j	

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

		Urine
Low Concentration		
Neat	Carfentanil	
Set 1 - 1	8913	
Set 1 - 2	12736	
Set 1 - 3	13392	
Set 1 - 4	10684	
Set 1 - 5	15546	
Set 1 - 6	13998	
Recon Avg	12544.83333	
STDEV	2388.549553	
%CV	19.04	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	16396	
Set 2 - 2	10056	
Set 2 - 3	9218	
Set 2 - 4	10690	
Set 2 - 5	17840	
Set 2 - 6	15056	
Set 2 - 7	8040	
Set 2 - 8	13922	
Set 2 - 9	13008	
Set 2 - 10	13902	
Matrix Avg	12812.8	
STDEV	3221.580454	
%CV	25	
%Suppression	2	
/Enhancement	2	

High Concentration	
Neat	Carfentanil
Set 1 - 1	141751
Set 1 - 2	133899
Set 1 - 3	120996
Set 1 - 4	134139
Set 1 - 5	130206
Set 1 - 6	129031
Recon Avg	131670.3333
STDEV	6866.336073
%CV	5.214793567
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	132878
Set 2 - 2	73802
Set 2 - 3	149528
Set 2 - 4	152473
Set 2 - 5	170159
Set 2 - 6	155940
Set 2 - 7	148057
Set 2 - 8	145584
Set 2 - 9	147061
Set 2 - 10	140847
Matrix Avg	141632.9
STDEV	25739.96739
%CV	18
%Suppression	8
/Enhancement	

Q test:

0.254698729

Q test:

0.120204082

Low Co	oncentration
Neat	Butyryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	37555
Set 1 - 2	34871
Set 1 - 3	34476
Set 1 - 4	33488
Set 1 - 5	34481
Set 1 - 6	39474
Recon Avg	35724.16667
STDEV	2291.066076
%CV	6.41
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	17238
Set 2 - 2	32428
Set 2 - 3	28772
Set 2 - 4	34534
Set 2 - 5	19064
Set 2 - 6	28764
Set 2 - 7	31048
Set 2 - 8	34801
Set 2 - 9	38040
Set 2 - 10	23105
Matrix Avg	28779.4
STDEV	6939.297486
%CV	24
%Suppression	-19
/Enhancement	

High Concentration	
Neat	Butyryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	382510
Set 1 - 2	353013
Set 1 - 3	316857
Set 1 - 4	349646
Set 1 - 5	362224
Set 1 - 6	358908
Recon Avg	353859.6667
STDEV	21466.05932
%CV	6.066263364
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	327876
Set 2 - 2	254665
Set 2 - 3	316520
Set 2 - 4	381461
Set 2 - 5	314875
Set 2 - 6	332475
Set 2 - 7	314096
Set 2 - 8	365123
Set 2 - 9	320285
Set 2 - 10	348561
Matrix Avg	327593.7
STDEV	34338.61006
%CV	10
%Suppression	-7
/Enhancement	,

Low Concentration	
Neat	Butyryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	37555
Set 1 - 2	34871
Set 1 - 3	34476
Set 1 - 4	33488
Set 1 - 5	34481
Set 1 - 6	39474
Recon Avg	35724.16667
STDEV	2291.066076
%CV	6.41
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	35516
Set 2 - 2	31113
Set 2 - 3	26334
Set 2 - 4	34649
Set 2 - 5	33040
Set 2 - 6	48190
Set 2 - 7	23459
Set 2 - 8	32856
Set 2 - 9	34766
Set 2 - 10	39715
Matrix Avg	33963.8
STDEV	6813.024908
%CV	20
%Suppression	-5
/Enhancement	-5

High Concentration	
Neat	Butyryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	382510
Set 1 - 2	353013
Set 1 - 3	316857
Set 1 - 4	349646
Set 1 - 5	362224
Set 1 - 6	358908
Recon Avg	353859.6667
STDEV	21466.05932
%CV	6.066263364
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	361537
Set 2 - 2	204085
Set 2 - 3	369610
Set 2 - 4	400109
Set 2 - 5	429709
Set 2 - 6	382618
Set 2 - 7	456789
Set 2 - 8	392752
Set 2 - 9	384580
Set 2 - 10	389826
Matrix Avg	377161.5
STDEV	66976.9878
%CV	18
%Suppression	7
/Enhancement	,

Q test:

0.087780021 0.155706182

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

Urine

Low Cor	centration
Neat	Acryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	25820
Set 1 - 2	31666
Set 1 - 3	22451
Set 1 - 4	27621
Set 1 - 5	27582
Set 1 - 6	27323
Recon Avg	27077.16667
STDEV	2988.321363
%CV	11.04
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	12973
Set 2 - 2	25958
Set 2 - 3	20421
Set 2 - 4	25235
Set 2 - 5	11779
Set 2 - 6	18971
Set 2 - 7	27839
Set 2 - 8	22037
Set 2 - 9	29758
Set 2 - 10	24995
Matrix Avg	21996.6
STDEV	6027.7728
%CV	27
%Suppression	-19
/Enhancement	1.5

High Concentration	
Neat	Acryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	266648
Set 1 - 2	256967
Set 1 - 3	230299
Set 1 - 4	268919
Set 1 - 5	236260
Set 1 - 6	254330
Recon Avg	252237.1667
STDEV	15806.70723
%CV	6.26660513
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	246708
Set 2 - 2	195632
Set 2 - 3	259004
Set 2 - 4	275277
Set 2 - 5	231855
Set 2 - 6	346329
Set 2 - 7	294025
Set 2 - 8	299108
Set 2 - 9	267892
Set 2 - 10	295901
Matrix Avg	271173.1
STDEV	41618.70949
%CV	15
%Suppression	8
/Enhancement	U

Low Concentration	
Neat	Acryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	25820
Set 1 - 2	31666
Set 1 - 3	22451
Set 1 - 4	27621
Set 1 - 5	27582
Set 1 - 6	27323
Recon Avg	27077.16667
STDEV	2988.321363
%CV	11.04
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	32047
Set 2 - 2	16354
Set 2 - 3	20300
Set 2 - 4	26927
Set 2 - 5	29230
Set 2 - 6	32477
Set 2 - 7	16335
Set 2 - 8	28249
Set 2 - 9	23262
Set 2 - 10	22729
Matrix Avg	24791
STDEV	5938.525668
%CV	24
%Suppression	-8
/Enhancement	-0

High Concentration	
Neat	Acryl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	266648
Set 1 - 2	25696
Set 1 - 3	230299
Set 1 - 4	268919
Set 1 - 5	236260
Set 1 - 6	254330
Recon Avg	252237.166
STDEV	15806.70723
%CV	6.26660513
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	272708
Set 2 - 2	145250
Set 2 - 3	27679
Set 2 - 4	326453
Set 2 - 5	337263
Set 2 - 6	287753
Set 2 - 7	324350
Set 2 - 8	278700
Set 2 - 9	292848
Set 2 - 10	28584
Matrix Avg	282797.3
STDEV	53549.7353
%CV	19
%Suppression	12
/Enhancement	

Q test:

0.066410813

Q test:

0.001177054

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

Urine

Low Cor	ncentration
Neat	Acetyl Fentanyl
Set 1 - 1	134308
Set 1 - 2	140636
Set 1 - 3	136386
Set 1 - 4	131632
Set 1 - 5	138688
Set 1 - 6	139360
Recon Avg	136835
STDEV	3403.391661
%CV	2.49
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	80886
Set 2 - 2	127602
Set 2 - 3	125093
Set 2 - 4	123398
Set 2 - 5	82153
Set 2 - 6	112774
Set 2 - 7	127368
Set 2 - 8	119547
Set 2 - 9	125460
Set 2 - 10	114025
Matrix Avg	113830.6
STDEV	17792.57283
%CV	16
%Suppression	_17
/Enhancement	-1/

High Concentration		
Neat	Acetyl Fentanyl	
Set 1 - 1	1311519	
Set 1 - 2	1240088	
Set 1 - 3	1180401	
Set 1 - 4	1273216	
Set 1 - 5	1283001	
Set 1 - 6	1307624	
Recon Avg	1265974.833	
STDEV	49283.38085	
%CV	3.892919476	
Extracted		
Set 2 - 1	1257335	
Set 2 - 2	946546	
Set 2 - 3	1228154	
Set 2 - 4	1341395	
Set 2 - 5	1119763	
Set 2 - 6	1534032	
Set 2 - 7	1398795	
Set 2 - 8	1473458	
Set 2 - 9	1257022	
Set 2 - 10	1360607	
Matrix Avg	1291710.7	
STDEV	171776.0496	
%CV	13	
%Suppression	2	
/Enhancement		

		Urine			
Low Concentration					
Neat	Acetyl Fentanyl				
Set 1 - 1	134308				
Set 1 - 2	140636				
Set 1 - 3	136386				
Set 1 - 4	131632				
Set 1 - 5	138688				
Set 1 - 6	139360				
Recon Avg	136835				
STDEV	3403.391661				
%CV	2.49				
Extracted					
Set 2 - 1	133912				
Set 2 - 2	117503				
Set 2 - 3	106044				
Set 2 - 4	128674				
Set 2 - 5	131511				
Set 2 - 6	154071				
Set 2 - 7	99884				
Set 2 - 8	117388				
Set 2 - 9	126146				
Set 2 - 10	143381				
Matrix Avg	125851.4				
STDEV	16386.49439				
%CV	13				
%Suppression /Enhancement	-8				

High Concentration				
Neat	Acetyl Fentanyl			
Set 1 - 1	1311519			
Set 1 - 2	1240088			
Set 1 - 3	1180401			
Set 1 - 4	1273216			
Set 1 - 5	1283001			
Set 1 - 6	1307624			
Recon Avg	1265974.833			
STDEV	49283.38085			
%CV	3.892919476			
Extracted				
Set 2 - 1	1308660			
Set 2 - 2	728197			
Set 2 - 3	1320365			
Set 2 - 4	1477989			
Set 2 - 5	1607829			
Set 2 - 6	1417603			
Set 2 - 7	1599523			
Set 2 - 8	1366286			
Set 2 - 9	1312419			
Set 2 - 10	1343416			
Matrix Avg	1348228.7			
STDEV	245086.0641			
%CV	18			
%Suppression	6			
/Enhancement	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i			

#### Low Concentration Neat 4-ANPP Set 1 - 1 34111 Set 1 - 2 33148 Set 1 - 3 27301 32842 Set 1 - 4 Set 1 - 5 32294 29516 Set 1 - 6 **Recon Avg** 31535.33333 STDEV 2589.401141 %CV 8.21 Extracted Set 2 - 1 16027 25059 Set 2 - 2 Set 2 - 3 19246 Set 2 - 4 22713 Set 2 - 5 17125 Set 2 - 6 22440 29965 Set 2 - 7 Set 2 - 8 23676 Set 2 - 9 20116 Set 2 - 10 27558 22392.5 Matrix Avg 4425.140029 STDEV

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High Concentration				
Neat	4-ANPP			
Set 1 - 1	311915			
Set 1 - 2	297379			
Set 1 - 3	299312			
Set 1 - 4	315882			
Set 1 - 5	276613			
Set 1 - 6	297608			
Recon Avg	299784.8333			
STDEV	13812.63036			
%CV	4.607514731			
Extracted				
Set 2 - 1	283763			
Set 2 - 2	200126			
Set 2 - 3	266032			
Set 2 - 4	280302			
Set 2 - 5	239043			
Set 2 - 6	321509			
Set 2 - 7	289860			
Set 2 - 8	315573			
Set 2 - 9	264628			
Set 2 - 10	304408			
Matrix Avg	276524.4			
STDEV	36611.46455			
%CV	13			
%Suppression	-8			
/Enhancement				

Low Concentration					
Neat	4-ANPP				
Set 1 - 1	34111				
Set 1 - 2	33148				
Set 1 - 3	27301				
Set 1 - 4	32842				
Set 1 - 5	32294				
Set 1 - 6	29516				
Recon Avg	31535.33333				
STDEV	2589.401141				
%CV	8.21				
Extracted					
Set 2 - 1	23876				
Set 2 - 2	23333				
Set 2 - 3	21264				
Set 2 - 4	22757				
Set 2 - 5	24134				
Set 2 - 6	27285				
Set 2 - 7					
Set 2 - 8	25616				
Set 2 - 9	28563				
Set 2 - 10	23603				
Matrix Avg	24492.33333				
STDEV	2283.328054				
%CV	9				
%Suppression	-22				
/Enhancement	-22				

High Concentration				
Neat	4-ANPP			
Set 1 - 1	311915			
Set 1 - 2	297379			
Set 1 - 3	299312			
Set 1 - 4	315882			
Set 1 - 5	276613			
Set 1 - 6	297608			
Recon Avg	299784.8333			
STDEV	13812.63036			
%CV	4.607514731			
Extracted				
Set 2 - 1	186394			
Set 2 - 2	138259			
Set 2 - 3	280679			
Set 2 - 4	278832			
Set 2 - 5	322582			
Set 2 - 6	237234			
Set 2 - 7	321786			
Set 2 - 8	272301			
Set 2 - 9	181596			
Set 2 - 10	239850			
Matrix Avg	245951.3			
STDEV	61467.38201			
%CV	25			
%Suppression	-18			
/Enhancement	-10			

Q test:

%CV

%Suppression

/Enhancement

0.078777443 0.172693356

-29

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Q test:

0.571453734

11531

Q test:

Urine

0.235114446

dropped

Q=0.412 @ 90% for 10 samples

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Low (	oncentration
Neat	Norfentayl
Set 1 - 1	41214
Set 1 - 2	44004
Set 1 - 3	40561
Set 1 - 4	43601
Set 1 - 5	43256
Set 1 - 6	42712
Recon Avg	42558
STDEV	1377.245802
%CV	3.24
Extracted	
Set 2 - 1	22688
Set 2 - 2	37784
Set 2 - 3	35985
Set 2 - 4	35309
Set 2 - 5	22892
Set 2 - 6	33303
Set 2 - 7	37949
Set 2 - 8	37987
Set 2 - 9	38358
Set 2 - 10	29588
Matrix Avg	33184.3
STDEV	6423.45553
%CV	19
%Suppression	-22
/Enhancement	

High Concentration				
Neat	Norfentayl			
Set 1 - 1	432444			
Set 1 - 2	394841			
Set 1 - 3	376836			
Set 1 - 4	406695			
Set 1 - 5	404814			
Set 1 - 6	403437			
Recon Avg	403177.8333			
STDEV	18083.24172			
%CV	4.49			
xtracted				
Set 2 - 1	374928			
Set 2 - 2	284599			
Set 2 - 3	363767			
Set 2 - 4	395597			
Set 2 - 5	330040			
Set 2 - 6	457389			
Set 2 - 7	411063			
Set 2 - 8	444357			
Set 2 - 9	367319			
Set 2 - 10	397722			
Matrix Avg	382678.1			
STDEV	51238.87399			
%CV	13			
%Suppression	-5			
/Enhancement	5			

Low Concentration				
Neat	Norfentayl			
Set 1 - 1	41214			
Set 1 - 2	44004			
Set 1 - 3	40561			
Set 1 - 4	43601			
Set 1 - 5	43256			
Set 1 - 6	42712			
Recon Avg	42558			
STDEV	1377.245802			
%CV	3.24			
Extracted				
Set 2 - 1	42995			
Set 2 - 2	34827			
Set 2 - 3	31495			
Set 2 - 4	39280			
Set 2 - 5	40745			
Set 2 - 6	45767			
Set 2 - 7	29570			
Set 2 - 8	35571			
Set 2 - 9	40085			
Set 2 - 10	40868			
Matrix Avg	38120.3			
STDEV	5416.770535			
%CV	14			
%Suppression	-10			
/Enhancement	10			

Urine

High Concentration				
Neat	Norfentayl			
Set 1 - 1	432444			
Set 1 - 2	394841			
Set 1 - 3	376836			
Set 1 - 4	406695			
Set 1 - 5	404814			
Set 1 - 6	403437			
Recon Avg	403177.8333			
STDEV	18083.24172			
%CV	4.49			
Extracted				
Set 2 - 1	402569			
Set 2 - 2	226906			
Set 2 - 3	406905			
Set 2 - 4	453395			
Set 2 - 5	498744			
Set 2 - 6	440297			
Set 2 - 7	490763			
Set 2 - 8	424486			
Set 2 - 9	426063			
Set 2 - 10	415769			
Matrix Avg	418589.7			
STDEV	74944.95879			
%CV	18			
%Suppression	4			
/Enhancement	4			

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# Blood 3 HPC\_004

Sample ID: Blood 3 HPC

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Vial: 1 | Inj. Volume: 3.0000uL | Tray: 1

Name	Found RT	Area	Ref 1 Range	Ref 1 Actual	Ref 2 Range	Ref 2 Actual
				Ratio		Ratio
Norfentanyl	2.002	201943.620	24.67 - 45.81	32.15		
4-ANPP	2.946	207517.400	83.68 - 155.41	99.55		
Acetyl fentanyl	2.733	656829.994	66.95 - 124.34	96.37		
Acryl fentanyl	2.969	177114.719	63.76 - 118.40	91.21		
Butyryl fentanyl	3.218	182707.607	54.61 - 101.41	81.58		
Cyclopropyl fentanyl	3.145	773985.949	52.79 - 98.04	83.30		
4-FIBF/PFBF	3.226	377800.498	57.22 - 106.26	82.81		
Furanyl fentanyl	3.146	171488.248	68.87 - 127.91	81.03		
Methoxy acetyl fentanyl	2.664	397050.604	71.73 - 133.21	99.27		
Fluorofentanyl	3.050	156785.767	50.32 - 93.45	92.13		
Sufentanil	3.328	815346.528	59.07 - 109.70	89.79	16.01 - 29.74	23.77
Valeryl fentanyl	3.462	797097.317	49.01 - 91.02	73.59		
alpha-Methyl fentanyl	3.145	644475.806	24.19 - 44.93	35.86	20.86 - 38.74	28.18
Fentanyl-13C6	2.992	154179.095	77.96 - 144.78	113.67		
Fentanyl	2.993	647588.318	69.76 - 129.55	100.44		
betahyroxythio-Fentanyl	2.651	33386.932	48.93 - 90.88	63.56	28.14 - 52.25	36.07
-13C6						

### Norfentanyl

### 4-ANPP

Conc 5.0000 Area 201943.620 R#1 233.10>55.00 32.15 (35.24)

















RT (min)

# Blood 3 HPC\_004 (continued)



Area 397050.604 R#1 353.00>105.15 99.27 (102.47)

1.98e5

#### Q 353.00>188.10 (+)



alpha-Methyl fentanyl

Conc 5.0000 Area 644475.806 R#1 351.30>202.00 35.86 (34.56)

R#2 351.30>119.20 28.18 (29.80)







### Fluorofentanyl

Conc 1.0000 Area 156785.767 R#1 355.00>105.20 92.13 (71.89)

7.07e4

7.90e4

### Q 355.00>188.15 (+)



Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 154179.095 R#1 343.00>105.15 113.67 (111.37)

ISTD 343.00>188.20 (+)





Conc 5.0000 Area 377800.498

R#1 369.30>105.05 82.81 (81.74) Q 369.30>188.15 (+)



### Sufentanil

Conc 5.0000 Area 815346.528 R#1 387.10>111.10 89.79 (84.38) R#2 387.10>355.05 23.77 (22.87)

3.91e5

#### Q 387.10>238.15 (+) RT=3.328



Fentanyl

Q 337.20>188.00 (+)

100.00

%

0.00

2.8

Conc 5.0000 Area 647588.318 R#1 337.20>105.00 100.44 (99.65)

RT=2.993

3.0

RT (min)

### **Furanyl fentanyl** Conc 1.0000

Area 171488.248 R#1 375.00>105.15 81.03 (98.39)





### Valeryl fentanyl

Conc 5.0000 Area 797097.317 R#1 365.10>105.15 73.59 (70.01)



### betahyroxythio -Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 33386.932 R#1 365.00>192.05 63.56 (69.91)

R#2 365.00>110.95 36.07 (40.19) 1.49e4

3.14e5 ISTD 365.00>347.30 (+)



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# Blood 3 LPC\_005

Sample ID: Blood 3 LPC

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Vial: 2 | Inj. Volume: 3.0000uL | Tray: 1

Name	Found RT	Area	Ref 1 Range	Ref 1 Actual	Ref 2 Range	Ref 2 Actual
				Ratio		Ratio
Norfentanyl	1.996	14019.096	24.67 - 45.81	33.52		
4-ANPP	2.941	17047.960	83.68 - 155.41	154.81		
Acetyl fentanyl	2.730	53553.237	66.95 - 124.34	88.46		
Acryl fentanyl	2.970	13800.556	63.76 - 118.40	80.64		
Butyryl fentanyl	3.214	10428.684	54.61 - 101.41	93.85		
Cyclopropyl fentanyl	3.141	61339.071	52.79 - 98.04	70.66		
4-FIBF/PFBF	3.220	28338.010	57.22 - 106.26	82.08		
Furanyl fentanyl	3.140	11161.110	68.87 - 127.91	78.83		
Methoxy acetyl fentanyl	2.661	28959.351	71.73 - 133.21	98.55		
Fluorofentanyl	3.049	12332.096	50.32 - 93.45	71.95		
Sufentanil	3.325	59997.047	59.07 - 109.70	90.60	16.01 - 29.74	21.07
Valeryl fentanyl	3.459	61627.484	49.01 - 91.02	70.59		
alpha-Methyl fentanyl	3.141	46158.596	24.19 - 44.93	38.37	20.86 - 38.74	26.89
Fentanyl-13C6	2.988	151464.080	77.96 - 144.78	115.42		
Fentanyl	2.989	47826.829	69.76 - 129.55	94.94		
betahyroxythio-Fentanyl	2.647	28252.291	48.93 - 90.88	72.35	28.14 - 52.25	42.77
-13C6						

### Norfentanyl

### 4-ANPP

Conc 0.3533 Area 14019.096 R#1 233.10>55.00 33.52 (35.24) Conc 0.4181 Area 17047.960 R#1 281.00>105.20 154.81 (119.54)

Q 281.00>188.15 (+)

2.8

RT=2.941

3.0

RT (min)



Conc 0.4150

Area 53553.237

Acetyl fentanyl



R#1 323.00>188.10 88.46 (95.65)

Acryl fentanyl Conc 0.0793 Area 13800.556 R#1 335.00>105.20 80.64 (91.08)

Q 335.00>188.20 (+) 6.33e3



Q 233.10>84.10 (+)

8.76e3

100.00

%

0.00



# Blood 3 LPC\_005 (continued)



### Methoxy acetyl fentanyl

Conc 0.3712 Area 28959.351 R#1 353.00>105.15 98.55 (102.47)

1.51e4

2.09e4

#### Q 353.00>188.10 (+)



### alpha-Methyl fentanyl

Conc 0.4232 Area 46158.596 R#1 351.30>202.00 38.37 (34.56)

### R#2 351.30>119.20 26.89 (29.80)

Q 351.30>91.10 (+)





Cyclopropyl fentanyl

R#1 349.00>105.20 70.66 (75.41)

Conc 0.4683

Area 61339.071



4.86e3

7.29e4

### Fluorofentanyl

Conc 0.0930 Area 12332.096 R#1 355.00>105.20 71.95 (71.89)

#### Q 355.00>188.15 (+)



Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 151464.080 R#1 343.00>105.15 115.42 (111.37)

### ISTD 343.00>188.20 (+)



#### 4-FIBF/PFBF

Conc 0.4432 Area 28338.010 R#1 369.30>105.05 82.08 (81.74)

Q 369.30>188.15 (+) 1.57e4



### Sufentanil

Conc 0.4348 Area 59997.047 R#1 387.10>111.10 90.60 (84.38) R#2 387.10>355.05 21.07 (22.87)



Fentanyl

Q 337.20>188.00 (+)

100.00

%

0.00

2.8

Conc 0.3759 Area 47826.829 R#1 337.20>105.00 94.94 (99.65)

RT=2.989

3.0

RT (min)

# Area 11161.110 R#1 375.00>105.15 78.83 (98.39) Q 375.00>188.10 (+) 6.18e3 100.00 RT=3.140

**Furanyl fentanyl** 

Conc 0.0769

### Valeryl fentanyl

Conc 0.4568 Area 61627.484 R#1 365.10>105.15 70.59 (70.01)



### betahyroxythio -Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 28252.291 R#1 365.00>192.05 72.35 (69.91)

R#2 365.00>110.95 42.77 (40.19) STD 365.00>347.30 (+) 1.68e4





RT (min)

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# Urine 5 HPC\_014

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Vial: 11 | Inj. Volume: 3.0000uL | Tray: 1

Name	Found RT	Area	Ref 1 Range	Ref 1 Actual	Ref 2 Range	Ref 2 Actual
				Ratio		Ratio
Norfentanyl	1.997	231926.610	24.67 - 45.81	33.76		
4-ANPP	2.947	868397.418	83.68 - 155.41	109.59		
Acetyl fentanyl	2.732	977646.089	66.95 - 124.34	100.05		
Acryl fentanyl	2.969	258319.198	63.76 - 118.40	92.79		
Butyryl fentanyl	3.218	303000.406	54.61 - 101.41	72.48		
Cyclopropyl fentanyl	3.146	1312862.408	52.79 - 98.04	76.68		
4-FIBF/PFBF	3.227	606140.583	57.22 - 106.26	77.21		
Furanyl fentanyl	3.146	250637.707	68.87 - 127.91	91.32		
Methoxy acetyl fentanyl	2.663	569257.177	71.73 - 133.21	95.33		
Fluorofentanyl	3.050	240030.926	50.32 - 93.45	79.22		
Sufentanil	3.329	1234122.875	59.07 - 109.70	83.25	16.01 - 29.74	23.53
Valeryl fentanyl	3.463	1308808.989	49.01 - 91.02	69.47		
alpha-Methyl fentanyl	3.146	998670.501	24.19 - 44.93	33.96	20.86 - 38.74	30.07
Fentanyl-13C6	2.993	236795.905	77.96 - 144.78	108.87		
Fentanyl	2.993	943115.183	69.76 - 129.55	100.66		
betahyroxythio-Fentanyl	2.649	47298.918	48.93 - 90.88	68.79	28.14 - 52.25	34.95
-13C6						

### Norfentanyl

### 4-ANPP

Conc 3.7389 Area 231926.610 R#1 233.10>55.00 33.76 (35.24) Conc 13.6234 Area 868397.418 R#1 281.00>105.20 109.59 (119.54)

Q 233.10>84.10 (+)

100.00

%

0.00

1.8

2.0

Q 281.00>188.15 (+) 1.35e5

RT=1.997

RT (min)



Q 323.00>105.15 (+)

Area 977646.089

Acetyl fentanyl

Conc 4.8456



R#1 323.00>188.10 100.05 (95.65)



Q 335.00>188.20 (+) 1.30e5 RT=2.969 100.00 % 0.00 2.8 3.0 RT (min)

# Urine 5 HPC\_014 (continued)



### Methoxy acetyl fentanyl

Conc 4.6675 Area 569257.177 R#1 353.00>105.15 95.33 (102.47)

2.87e5

4.73e5

#### Q 353.00>188.10 (+)



alpha-Methyl fentanyl

Conc 5.4690 Area 998670.501 R#1 351.30>202.00 33.96 (34.56)

R#2 351.30>119.20 30.07 (29.80)







Cyclopropyl fentanyl



### Fluorofentanyl

Conc 1.0807 Area 240030.926 R#1 355.00>105.20 79.22 (71.89)

1.14e5

### Q 355.00>188.15 (+)



Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 236795.905 R#1 343.00>105.15 108.87 (111.37)

ISTD 343.00>188.20 (+) 1.12e5





Conc 5.6625 Area 606140.583

R#1 369.30>105.05 77.21 (81.74)





### Sufentanil

Conc 5.3421 Area 1234122.875 R#1 387.10>111.10 83.25 (84.38) R#2 387.10>355.05 23.53 (22.87)



Fentanyl

Q 337.20>188.00 (+)

100.00

%

0.00

2.8

Conc 4.7412 Area 943115.183 R#1 337.20>105.00 100.66 (99.65)

RT=2.993

3.0

RT (min)

### **Furanyl fentanyl**

Conc 1.0317 Area 250637.707 R#1 375.00>105.15 91.32 (98.39)

Q 375.00>188.10 (+) 1.20e5



### Valeryl fentanyl

Conc 5.7951 Area 1308808.989 R#1 365.10>105.15 69.47 (70.01)



### betahyroxythio -Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 47298.918 R#1 365.00>192.05 68.79 (69.91)

R#2 365.00>110.95 34.95 (40.19) 2.80e4







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Vial: 12 | Inj. Volume: 3.0000uL | Tray: 1

Name	Found RT	Area	Ref 1 Range	Ref 1 Actual	Ref 2 Range	Ref 2 Actual
				Ratio		Ratio
Norfentanyl	2.004	12195.804	24.67 - 45.81	33.45		
4-ANPP	2.953	36506.004	83.68 - 155.41	114.29		
Acetyl fentanyl	2.738	48948.072	66.95 - 124.34	94.10		
Acryl fentanyl	2.976	10038.052	63.76 - 118.40	99.72		
Butyryl fentanyl	3.223	13627.968	54.61 - 101.41	78.16		
Cyclopropyl fentanyl	3.150	74939.783	52.79 - 98.04	69.11		
4-FIBF/PFBF	3.231	29860.092	57.22 - 106.26	93.25		
Furanyl fentanyl	3.151	10824.131	68.87 - 127.91	92.99		
Methoxy acetyl fentanyl	2.668	26753.952	71.73 - 133.21	87.74		
Fluorofentanyl	3.053	13754.051	50.32 - 93.45	59.61		
Sufentanil	3.333	58508.621	59.07 - 109.70	88.11	16.01 - 29.74	23.86
Valeryl fentanyl	3.465	62499.227	49.01 - 91.02	71.19		
alpha-Methyl fentanyl	3.149	49266.517	24.19 - 44.93	30.96	20.86 - 38.74	27.73
Fentanyl-13C6	2.997	128951.474	77.96 - 144.78	106.85		
Fentanyl	2.998	43470.399	69.76 - 129.55	104.04		
betahyroxythio-Fentanyl	2.653	23824.879	48.93 - 90.88	62.29	28.14 - 52.25	35.48
-13C6						

### Norfentanyl

### 4-ANPP

Conc 0.3610 Area 12195.804 R#1 233.10>55.00 33.45 (35.24)



7.64e3 Q 281.00>188.15 (+)

0.00







Area 48948.072 R#1 323.00>188.10 94.10 (95.65)

Acetyl fentanyl

Conc 0.4455

Q 323.00>105.15 (+)

1.72e4

2.54e4 Q 335.00>188.20 (+)





# Urine 5 LPC \_015 (continued)



#### Q 353.00>188.10 (+)



1.33e4

alpha-Methyl fentanyl

Conc 0.5356 Area 49266.517 R#1 351.30>202.00 30.96 (34.56)

R#2 351.30>119.20 27.73 (29.80)







3.0 3.2 RT (min)

### Fluorofentanyl

Conc 0.1229 Area 13754.051 R#1 355.00>105.20 59.61 (71.89)

### Q 355.00>188.15 (+)



Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 128951.474 R#1 343.00>105.15 106.85 (111.37)

ISTD 343.00>188.20 (+) 6.58e4





Conc 0.5538 Area 29860.092

R#1 369.30>105.05 93.25 (81.74)

Q 369.30>188.15 (+) 1.46e4



### Sufentanil

Conc 0.5028 Area 58508.621 R#1 387.10>111.10 88.11 (84.38) R#2 387.10>355.05 23.86 (22.87)

2.75e4

Q 387.10>238.15 (+)

6.40e3



Fentanyl

Q 337.20>188.00 (+)

100.00

%

0.00

2.8

Conc 0.4013 Area 43470.399 R#1 337.20>105.00 104.04 (99.65)

RT=2.998

3.0

RT (min)

### **Furanyl fentanyl** Conc 0.0885

Area 10824.131 R#1 375.00>105.15 92.99 (98.39)

Q 375.00>188.10 (+) 5.47e3



### Valeryl fentanyl

Conc 0.5494 Area 62499.227 R#1 365.10>105.15 71.19 (70.01)



### betahyroxythio -Fentanyl-13C6

Conc 1.0000 Area 23824.879 R#1 365.00>192.05 62.29 (69.91)

R#2 365.00>110.95 35.48 (40.19) 1.37e4







RT (min)