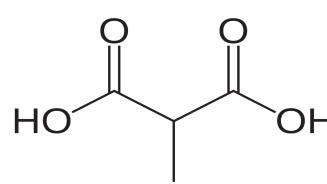
# Methylmalonic Acid From Serum Or Plasma For GC/MS Analysis Using: 500 mg Clean-Up<sup>®</sup> QAX Extraction Column



# **UCT Part Numbers**

CUQAX15Z Clean-Up® Quaternary Amine with Chloride Counter Ion 500 mg 10 mL

# **Procedure:**

#### 1. Prepare Sample

- a) Add 100  $\mu$ L of internal standard D<sub>3</sub>-MMA and 1 mL of acetonitrile to 1 mL of plasma or serum.
- b) Vortex for 20 sec.
- c) Centrifuge for 5 min at 2000 rpm.

## 2. Condition Clean Up® Extraction Column

- a) 1 x 3 mL CH₃OH.
- b) 1 x 3 mL D.I. H<sub>2</sub>O.

#### 3. Apply Sample

a) Decant supernatant onto SPE column.

#### 4. Wash Column

- a)  $1 \times 10 \text{ mL of D.I. H}_2\text{O.}$
- b) Dry with vacuum for 3 min.
- c)  $1 \times 5 \text{ mL of CH}_3\text{OH}.$
- d) Dry with vacuum for 3 min.
- e) 1 x 2 mL of MTBE\*.
- f) Dry with vacuum for 3 min.

#### 5. Elute Methylmalonic Acid

 a) 1 x 5 mL of 3% formic acid in MTBE, collect at 1 to 2 mL/min.

#### 6. Dry Eluate

a) Dry under a stream of nitrogen at < 35 °C.

#### 7. Derivatize

- a) Reconstitute with 25  $\mu L$  of MSTFA + 1% TMCS\*\* and 25  $\mu L$  ethyl acetate.
- b) Heat for 20 min at 60 °C.

#### 8. Quantitate

- a) Inject 1 to 2  $\mu L$  onto gas chromatograph.
- \* MTBE: methyl-tert-butyl ether
- \*\* Part # SMSTFA-1-1, 10, 25,100





## **References:**

[1] Compliments of Mark M. Kusmin and Gabor Kormaromy-Hiller ARUP LABORATORIES

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