

Method Validation For Quantitative Test Methods

Analyte	<i>Ethanol</i>
Units of Measure	<i>g/100 mL</i>
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Responsible Supervisor	<i>Dayong Lee, Ph.D.</i>
Start Date	<i>May 4, 2016</i>
Completion Date	<i>May 12, 2016</i>
Primary Matrix	<i>Whole Blood</i>
Secondary Matrices	<i>Serum, Plasma, Alcoholic Beverages, Other Liquid Specimens</i>
Low Calibrator Concentration	<i>0.010 g/100 mL</i>
Highest Calibrator Concentration	<i>0.500 g/100 mL</i>
Equipment/Instrument	<i>Headspace 3 - FID1</i>
Instrument Serial Numbers	<i>Headspace CN16140002, Gas Chromatograph US16163003</i>
Method	<i>VOLATILES.M</i>
Validation Report Date	<i>May 17, 2016</i>

Validation Approval

Analyst: _____ 2016-05-17
Date

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Responsible Supervisor: _____ 2016-05-17
Date

Quality Director: _____ 5/17/2016
Date

METHOD VALIDATION PROTOCOL AND RESULTS				
Analyte: Ethanol Units: g/100 mL Method: VOLATILES.M Instrument: Headspace 3 - FID1			Analyst: Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D. Study Dates: 05/04/16 to 05/12/16 Primary Matrix: Whole Blood	
STUDY	SOP CRITERIA	ALTERNATE CRITERIA*	RESULTS	VALIDATION COMMENTS
1 Standard Curve / Calibration	Weighting minimizes $\sum [\%RE]$ 95% CI of slope includes 1 95% CI of intercept includes 0 95% CI of slope includes 1 95% CI of intercept includes 0	R^2 value ≥ 0.99 %RE Callibrators: $\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL	Unweighted: = 65.29 1/x Weighting: = 39.54 1/x ² Weighting: = 38.33 95% CI of slope = 1.0003 - 1.0039 95% CI of intercept = -0.0008 - 0.0001 Max %RE low calibrator = 2.00 Max %RE other calibrators = 0.72 N/A	1/x weighting chosen. Upon inspection of the standardized residual plot, the Day 3, 0.500 g/100 mL calibrator was determined to be a statistically significant outlier. If this data point is excluded, 95% CI of the slope contains 1. Linearity is deemed acceptable. Not performed; a 7-point calibration curve will be used for ethanol casework analysis.
2 Limit of Detection (LOD)	Signal to Noise ≥ 3 Acceptable detection and identification criteria		LOD = 0.0025 S/N = 251.902	LOD samples were made using three sources of blank blood, W044616241086 (A), W0446162247837 (B), and W044616247845 (C). Theoretical target concentrations for LOD samples were 0.0025, 0.0050, and 0.0075 g/100 mL, using 0.125, 0.250, and 0.375 mL of 1000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN09231404), respectively, diluted with each blood source to 5 mL.
3 Limit of Quantification (LOQ)		Bias: $\leq \pm 10\%$ Within-Run Imprecision: CV $\leq \pm 10\%$ Between-Run Imprecision: CV $\leq \pm 10\%$	Bias = 0.53% Within-run imprecision = 1.01% Between-Run Imprecision = 0.38%	Theoretical target concentration for LOQ (lot 20160503-LOQ) is 0.0100 g/100 mL, using 1.0 mL of 1000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN09231404) diluted with drug-free pooled blood to 10 mL.
4 Bias		Bias: $\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL Within-Run Imprecision: CV $\leq \pm 10\%$ Between-Run Imprecision: CV $\leq \pm 10\%$	Max Bias = 4.72% Max Within-Run Imprecision = 0.57% Max Within-Run Imprecision = 0.51%	Theoretical target concentration for LMQC (lot 20160503-LMQC) is 0.0192 g/100 mL, using 1.2 mL 4000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN01301503) diluted with deionized water to 25 mL. Target concentrations for MQC1 (lot 1304030) and MQC2 (lot 1407168) were established during this validation. Consequently, the bias for MQC1 and MQC2 could have been underestimated. However, as LMQC uses a nominal concentration as the target and still shows acceptable bias, performance of this method is deemed fit for purpose.
5 Carryover	Quantitative result $\leq 25\%$ of LOQ		Maximum Carryover = 0.00%	Carryover evaluated by following the highest calibrator with a negative.
6 Matrix Interference	Response of blank matrix $\leq 10\%$ of the average response of LOQ		None observed.	Toluene and ethyl acetate: mixed 500 µL of each reagent with 500 µL of deionized water, LMQC (lot 20160503-LMQC) and internal standard (20160429-I) were added to a headspace vial, 5 µL of either toluene or ethyl acetate diluted solution immediately added, and vials capped. Sharpie marker: the bottom of a headspace vial was mostly marked with Sharpie marker, LMQC and internal standard added immediately afterward, and vial capped. VWR marker: a small piece of Kim Wipe was extensively marked with VWR marker, added to a headspace vial, LMQC and internal standard added immediately afterward, and vial capped. *The Sharpie® Permanent Marker contained n-propanol, which more than quadrupled the internal standard signal and thus diminished the calculated value of the analyte of interest.
Internal Standard Interference	Responses 10% of the average response of LOQ		None observed.	
Exogenous Substances Interferences	Concentration of analytes of interest meet acceptance criteria of the method.		No compounds tested caused significant interference with the analyte of interest.	
7 Dilution of Samples		$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL	2x Max % of Target = -0.73% 20x Max % of Target = -6.97% 50x Max % of Target = -9.63% 100x Max % of Target = -10.39%	The target concentration for MQC2 (lot 1407168) is based on the mean value obtained from the bias and precision study. The target concentration for the remaining dilutions is the concentration of the ethanol standard (lot 097K5012V; converted 10% v/v to w/v using the density of ethanol to obtain 7.890 g/100 mL). Analytical results were multiplied by the dilution factors to give the calculated value and compared to the target concentration. Case samples can be diluted by 1:2 prior to analysis. The higher dilution factors of 1:20, 1:50, and 1:100 will underestimate the ethanol concentration by up to approximately 7%, 10%, and 11%, respectively. If used, this method limitation will be disclosed on the test report.
8 In-Process Stability		$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL	N/A	Study not performed; it is not appropriate to break for extended periods during sample preparation.
Autosampler Stability		$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL	Samples on the autosampler may be analyzed for ethanol up to 72 hours after preparation.	
Storage Stability		$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL	N/A	Study not performed; the stability of ethanol in storage conditions is well documented in the literature.
9 Matrix Matching		$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL % CV $\leq \pm 10\%$		Study not performed; all samples were diluted 10x before analysis.

* Alternate criteria is any deviation from that described in the SOP as determined by the Supervisor

ADDITIONAL STUDIES (Describe any additional studies required for this validation.)

A qualitative study was performed to determine the retention time of acetaldehyde, a metabolite of ethanol, using this method. The retention time of acetaldehyde is 0.940 minutes on FID1.

Validation Study 1

LINEARITY

Analyte: *Ethanol*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*

Units: *g/100 mL*

Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*

Instrument: *HeadSpace 3 - FID1*

Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

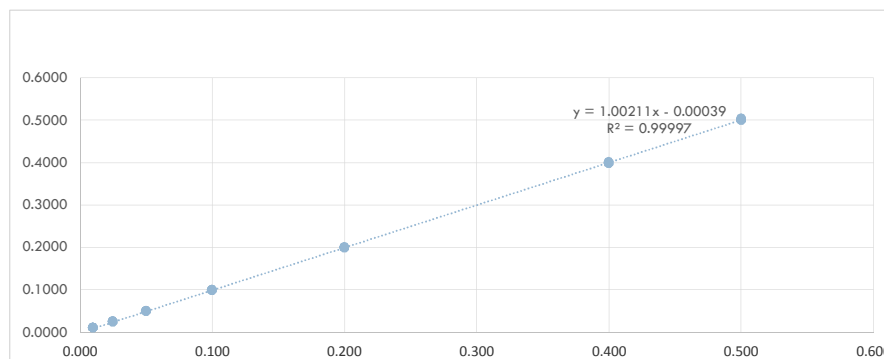
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0.500	0.5018
0.010	0.0102
0.025	0.0249
0.050	0.0500
0.100	0.0989
0.200	0.1994
0.400	0.4003
0.500	0.5013
0.010	0.0102
0.025	0.0250
0.050	0.0498
0.100	0.0987
0.200	0.1987
0.400	0.3990
0.500	0.5036
0.010	0.0101
0.025	0.0249
0.050	0.0499
0.100	0.1000
0.200	0.2001
0.400	0.3991
0.500	0.5009
0.010	0.0101
0.025	0.0248
0.050	0.0499
0.100	0.0994
0.200	0.1993
0.400	0.4023
0.500	0.4991

Slope	1.00211
Standard error in slope, S_b	0.00088
Degrees Freedom	34
Confidence Level	95%
Student t Value	2.03224
Confidence Interval	0.00178
Slope ± CI	1.00211 ± 0.00178
Range	1.0003 - 1.0039

FAIL

Intercept	-0.00039
Standard error in intercept	0.00023
Degrees Freedom	34
Confidence Level	95%
Student t Value	2.03224
Confidence Interval	0.00046
Intercept ± CI	-0.00039 ± 0.00046
Range	-0.0008 - 0.0001

PASS



Comments: Upon inspection of the standardized residual plot, the Day 3, 0.500 g/100 mL calibrator was determined to be a statistically significant outlier. If this data point is excluded, 95% CI of the slope contains 1. Linearity is deemed acceptable.

Acceptance Criteria:

95% CI of slope includes 1
95% CI of intercept includes 0

Validation Study 1

STANDARD CURVE CALIBRATION

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

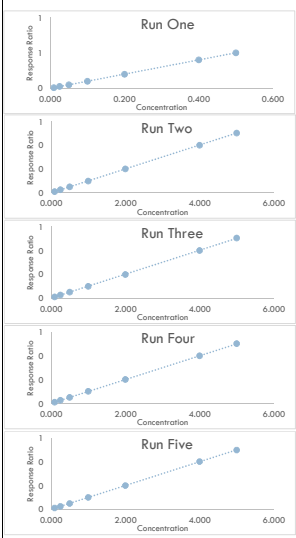
Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Run Order	Target	Result	% Difference from Target
Run 1 05/04/16	Level 1	0.010	0.0102	2.00
	Level 2	0.025	0.0248	-0.80
	Level 3	0.050	0.0498	-0.40
	Level 4	0.100	0.0994	-0.60
	Level 5	0.200	0.1999	-0.05
	Level 6	0.400	0.3992	-0.20
	Level 7	0.500	0.5018	0.36
Run 2 05/05/16	Level 1	0.010	0.0102	2.00
	Level 2	0.025	0.0249	-0.40
	Level 3	0.050	0.0500	0.00
	Level 4	0.100	0.0989	-1.10
	Level 5	0.200	0.1994	-0.30
	Level 6	0.400	0.4003	0.07
	Level 7	0.500	0.5013	0.26
Run 3 05/06/16	Level 1	0.010	0.0102	2.00
	Level 2	0.025	0.0250	0.00
	Level 3	0.050	0.0498	-0.40
	Level 4	0.100	0.0987	-1.30
	Level 5	0.200	0.1987	-0.65
	Level 6	0.400	0.3990	-0.25
	Level 7	0.500	0.5036	0.72
Run 4 05/09/16	Level 1	0.010	0.0101	1.00
	Level 2	0.025	0.0249	-0.40
	Level 3	0.050	0.0499	-0.20
	Level 4	0.100	0.1000	0.00
	Level 5	0.200	0.2001	0.05
	Level 6	0.400	0.3991	-0.23
	Level 7	0.500	0.5009	0.18
Run 5 05/11/16	Level 1	0.010	0.0101	1.00
	Level 2	0.025	0.0248	-0.80
	Level 3	0.050	0.0499	-0.20
	Level 4	0.100	0.0994	-0.60
	Level 5	0.200	0.1993	-0.35
	Level 6	0.400	0.4023	0.57
	Level 7	0.500	0.4991	-0.18

Max %RE LOQ = 2.00
 Max %RE = 0.72

Comments:

Acceptance Criteria: R² value ≥ 0.99
%RE Calibrators:
≤ ± 5% if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
≤ ± 10% if target concentration is ≤0.05 g/100 mL



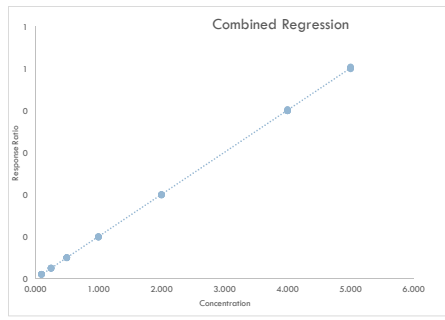
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Intercept 8.4885E-06
 Slope 0.09995376
 r² 0.999971066

Intercept 2.86487E-05
 Slope 0.099984394
 r² 0.9999744

Intercept -3.54059E-05
 Slope 0.100011505
 r² 0.99998387



Intercept 1.15302E-05
 Slope 0.099993719
 r² 0.9999874

Cnom	x	y	w (1/x)	wxy	wx	wy	wx^2	wy^2	Weighted Result
0.01	0.1	0.0102	1	0.001020000	0.1	0.010200000	0.01	0.000104040	0.010182135
0.025	0.25	0.0248	0.4	0.002480000	0.1	0.009920000	0.03	0.000246016	0.024782436
0.05	0.5	0.0498	0.2	0.004980000	0.1	0.009960000	0.05	0.000496008	0.049782952
0.1	1	0.0994	0.1	0.009940000	0.1	0.009940000	0.1	0.000998036	0.099838976
0.2	2	0.1999	0.05	0.019990000	0.1	0.009950000	0.2	0.001998001	0.199886051
0.4	4	0.3992	0.025	0.039920000	0.1	0.009980000	0.4	0.003984016	0.399190165
0.5	5	0.5018	0.02	0.050180000	0.1	0.010036000	0.5	0.005036065	0.501792283
0.01	0.1	0.0102	1	0.001020000	0.1	0.010200000	0.01	0.000104040	0.010164251
0.025	0.25	0.0249	0.4	0.002490000	0.1	0.009960000	0.03	0.000248004	0.024867282
0.05	0.5	0.0500	0.2	0.005000000	0.1	0.010000000	0.05	0.000500000	0.049972458
0.1	1	0.0989	0.1	0.009890000	0.1	0.009890000	0.1	0.000978121	0.098882541
0.2	2	0.1994	0.05	0.019940000	0.1	0.009970000	0.2	0.001988018	0.199403264
0.4	4	0.4003	0.025	0.040030000	0.1	0.010007500	0.4	0.004006002	0.400344689
0.5	5	0.5013	0.02	0.050130000	0.1	0.010026000	0.5	0.005026034	0.501314693
0.01	0.1	0.0102	1	0.001020000	0.1	0.010200000	0.01	0.000104040	0.010191983
0.025	0.25	0.0250	0.4	0.002500000	0.1	0.010000000	0.03	0.000250000	0.024992667
0.05	0.5	0.0498	0.2	0.004980000	0.1	0.009960000	0.05	0.000496008	0.049793814
0.1	1	0.0987	0.1	0.009870000	0.1	0.009870000	0.1	0.000974169	0.098686075
0.2	2	0.1987	0.05	0.019870000	0.1	0.009835000	0.2	0.001974085	0.198700700
0.4	4	0.3990	0.025	0.039900000	0.1	0.009750000	0.4	0.003980025	0.399009962
0.5	5	0.5036	0.02	0.050360000	0.1	0.010072000	0.5	0.005072259	0.503649952
0.01	0.1	0.0101	1	0.001010000	0.1	0.010100000	0.01	0.000102010	0.010072923
0.025	0.25	0.0249	0.4	0.002490000	0.1	0.009960000	0.03	0.000248004	0.024875233
0.05	0.5	0.0499	0.2	0.004990000	0.1	0.009980000	0.05	0.000498002	0.049879136
0.1	1	0.1000	0.1	0.010000000	0.1	0.010000000	0.1	0.001000000	0.099986956
0.2	2	0.2001	0.05	0.020010000	0.1	0.010005000	0.2	0.002002001	0.200102580
0.4	4	0.3991	0.025	0.039910000	0.1	0.009977500	0.4	0.003982020	0.399133641
0.5	5	0.5009	0.02	0.050090000	0.1	0.010018000	0.5	0.005018016	0.500949531
0.01	0.1	0.0101	1	0.001010000	0.1	0.010100000	0.01	0.000102010	0.010134240
0.025	0.25	0.0248	0.4	0.002480000	0.1	0.009920000	0.03	0.000246016	0.024832549
0.05	0.5	0.0499	0.2	0.004990000	0.1	0.009980000	0.05	0.000498002	0.049929661
0.1	1	0.0994	0.1	0.009940000	0.1	0.009940000	0.1	0.000998036	0.099423967
0.2	2	0.1993	0.05	0.019930000	0.1	0.009950000	0.2	0.001996025	0.199312475
0.4	4	0.4023	0.025	0.040230000	0.1	0.010057500	0.4	0.004046132	0.402289122
0.5	5	0.4991	0.02	0.049910000	0.1	0.009982000	0.5	0.004982016	0.499077986

Validation Study 2

LIMIT OF DETECTION

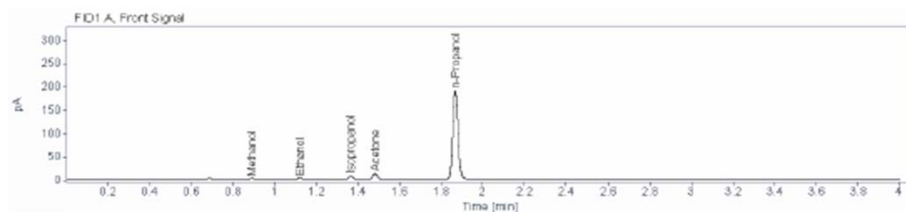
Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Run Order	Negative	Signal:Noise		
Target Concentration (g/100 mL):		0.0000	0.0075	0.0050	0.0025
Run 1 05/05/16	1-1	0.000	188.541	496.090	308.241
	1-2		803.440	479.888	190.860
	1-3		716.606	656.125	218.862
	1-4		722.555	465.304	261.409
	1-5		774.753	519.552	245.661
	1-6		728.472	435.145	277.864
Run 2 05/06/16	2-1	0.000	242.953	489.432	262.089
	2-2		755.659	691.665	289.977
	2-3		777.807	528.783	246.681
	2-4		950.548	631.013	275.152
	2-5		782.043	497.154	285.154
	2-6		641.179	569.181	283.352
Run 3 05/09/16	3-1	0.000	215.904	548.796	217.939
	3-2		958.407	459.421	263.269
	3-3		608.570	516.654	230.451
	3-4		810.740	500.791	241.250
	3-5		818.205	494.880	238.361
	3-6		745.267	379.333	197.657
Mean Signal to Noise:		0.000	680.092	519.956	251.902

Sample chromatogram of LOD specimen:

Sample name: LOD - 0.0025A Description: Lot: 20160504-LOD25A Vial Number: 40
 Instrument: Headspace 3 Acq. method: VOLATIL Injection date: 5/9/2016 8:11:37 PM
 ES.M



Established LOD: 0.0025 g/100 mL
 S:N of LOD: 251.902

Comments:

LOD samples were made using three sources of blank blood, W044616241086 (A), W0446162247837 (B), and W044616247845 (C). Theoretical target concentrations for LOD samples were 0.0025, 0.0050, and 0.0075 g/100 mL, using 0.125, 0.250, and 0.375 mL of 1000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN09231404), respectively, diluted with each blood source to 5 mL.

Acceptance Criteria:

Signal to Noise ≥ 3
 Acceptable detection and identification criteria

Validation Study 3**LIMIT OF QUANTITATION**

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Run Order	LOQ	
<i>Target Concentration (g/100 mL):</i>		<i>0.0100</i>	
Run 1 05/04/16	1-1	0.0101	
	1-2	0.0102	
	1-3	0.0102	
	Within Run	Mean	0.0102
		SD	0.000058
		%CV	0.568%
	% Bias	1.67%	
Run 2 05/05/16	2-1	0.0101	
	2-2	0.0102	
	2-3	0.0101	
	Within Run	Mean	0.0101
		SD	0.000058
		%CV	0.570%
	% Bias	1.33%	
Run 3 05/06/16	3-1	0.0101	
	3-2	0.0101	
	3-3	0.0101	
	Within Run	Mean	0.0101
		SD	0.000000
		%CV	0.000%
	% Bias	1.00%	
Run 4 05/09/16	4-1	0.0098	
	4-2	0.0100	
	4-3	0.0099	
	Within Run	Mean	0.0099
		SD	0.000100
		%CV	1.010%
	% Bias	-1.00%	
Run 5 05/11/16	5-1	0.0099	
	5-2	0.0100	
	5-3	0.0100	
	Within Run	Mean	0.0100
		SD	0.000058
		%CV	0.579%
	% Bias	-0.33%	
Precision	Max Within-Run	1.01%	
(%CV)	Between-Run	0.38%	
% Bias		0.53%	

Comments: Theoretical target concentration for LOQ (lot 20160503-LOQ) is 0.0100 g/100 mL, using 1.0 mL of 1000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN09231404) diluted with drug-free pooled blood to 10 mL.

Acceptance Criteria:

Bias: $\leq \pm 10\%$
 Within-Run Imprecision: $CV \leq \pm 10\%$
 Between-Run Imprecision: $CV \leq \pm 10\%$

Validation Study 4

BIAS AND PRECISION

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Run Order	LMQC	MQC1	MQC2	HEQC
<i>Target Concentration (g/100 mL):</i>		<i>0.0192</i>	<i>0.0789</i>	<i>0.1477</i>	<i>0.4000</i>
Run 1 05/04/16	1-1	0.0201	0.0785	0.1488	0.4053
	1-2	0.0202	0.0787	0.1484	0.4040
	1-3	0.0202	0.0792	0.1476	0.4043
	Mean	0.0202	0.0788	0.1483	0.4045
<i>Within Run</i>	SD	0.000058	0.000361	0.000611	0.000681
	%CV	0.286%	0.458%	0.412%	0.168%
	% Bias	5.03%	-0.13%	0.38%	1.13%
	2-1	0.0201	0.0794	0.1476	0.4046
Run 2 05/05/16	2-2	0.0201	0.0786	0.1480	0.4021
	2-3	0.0203	0.0789	0.1484	0.4018
	Mean	0.0202	0.0790	0.1480	0.4028
	SD	0.000115	0.000404	0.000400	0.001537
<i>Within Run</i>	%CV	0.573%	0.512%	0.270%	0.382%
	% Bias	5.03%	0.08%	0.20%	0.71%
	3-1	0.0201	0.0790	0.1474	0.4042
	Run 3 05/06/16	3-2	0.0202	0.0788	0.1477
3-3		0.0202	0.0788	0.1476	0.4018
Mean		0.0202	0.0789	0.1476	0.4026
SD		0.000058	0.000115	0.000153	0.001415
<i>Within Run</i>	%CV	0.286%	0.146%	0.104%	0.352%
	% Bias	5.03%	-0.04%	-0.09%	0.64%
	4-1	0.0199	0.0785	0.1472	0.4039
	Run 4 05/09/16	4-2	0.0200	0.0786	0.1479
4-3		0.0200	0.0789	0.1478	0.4029
Mean		0.0200	0.0787	0.1476	0.4030
SD		0.000058	0.000208	0.000379	0.000808
<i>Within Run</i>	%CV	0.289%	0.265%	0.256%	0.201%
	% Bias	3.99%	-0.30%	-0.05%	0.76%
	5-1	0.0200	0.0792	0.1475	0.4025
	Run 5 05/11/16	5-2	0.0201	0.0788	0.1468
5-3		0.0201	0.0795	0.1465	0.4035
Mean		0.0201	0.0792	0.1469	0.4026
SD		0.000058	0.000351	0.000513	0.000854
<i>Within Run</i>	%CV	0.288%	0.444%	0.349%	0.212%
	% Bias	4.51%	0.34%	-0.52%	0.65%
	Mean	0.0201	0.0789	0.1477	0.4031
	SD	0.00010	0.00031	0.00060	0.00121
Precision (%CV)	Max Within-Run	0.57%	0.51%	0.41%	0.38%
	Between-Run	0.51%	0.40%	0.40%	0.30%
% Bias		4.72%	-0.01%	-0.01%	0.78%

Theoretical target concentration for LMQC (lot 20160503-LMQC) is 0.0192 g/100 mL, using 1.2 mL 4000 µg/mL mixed volatile standard (lot FN01301503) diluted with deionized water to 25 mL. Target concentrations for MQC1 (lot 1304030) and MQC2 (lot 1407168) were established during this validation. Consequently, the bias for MQC1 and MQC2 could have been underestimated. However, as LMQC uses a nominal concentration as the target and still shows acceptable bias, performance of this method is deemed fit for purpose.

Acceptance Criteria:

Bias:
 ≤ ± 5% if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 ≤ ± 10% if target concentration is ≤0.05 g/100 mL
 Within-Run Imprecision: CV ≤ ± 10%
 Between-Run Imprecision: CV ≤ ± 10%

Validation Study 5**CARRYOVER**

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Low Calibrator Target: 0.010 g/100 mL

Sample order	Results					
	Target Concentration (g/100 mL)	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Date		05/04/16	05/05/16	05/06/16	05/09/16	05/11/16
High Calibrator	0.5000	0.5018	0.5013	0.5036	0.5009	0.4991
Negative	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Low Calibrator Level		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Maximum Carryover: **0.0%**

Comments: Carryover evaluated by following the highest calibrator with a negative.

Acceptance Criteria:

Quantitative result \leq 25% of LOQ

Validation Study 6**MATRIX & IS INTERFERENCE**

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

LOQ Response
Run 1 16.4695
Run 2 16.4190
Run 3 16.9181
Run 4 16.9433
Run 5 17.0932
Average 16.7686

Identification	Peak Response	Comment
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 1	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 2	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 3	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 4	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 5	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 6	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 7	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 8	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 9	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (NO IS) 10	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (with IS) 1	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (with IS) 2	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (with IS) 3	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (with IS) 4	0	Pass
Blank Matrix (with IS) 5	0	Pass

Matrix Interference: None observed.

IS Interference: None observed.

Comments:

Acceptance Criteria:

Response of blank matrix \leq 10% of the average response of LOQ

Validation Study 6**EXOGENOUS SUBSTANCE INTERFERENCE**

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Target Concentration: 0.0201 g/100 mL
Control Acceptance (%): 10

Sample #	Identification	Compound	Amount Added	Calculated Control Concentration	Comment
1	Ethyl Acetate	Ethyl Acetate	~0.2 g/100 mL	0.0217	Pass
2	Toluene	Toluene	~0.2 g/100 mL	0.0201	Pass
3	VWR® Laboratory Marker	Proprietary Component 1	Unable to Measure	0.0200	Pass
4		Proprietary Component 2	Unable to Measure		
5		Proprietary Solvent 1	Unable to Measure		
6		Proprietary Solvent 2	Unable to Measure		
7	Sharpie® Permanent Marker	n-Propanol	Unable to Measure	0.0047	Pass*
8		n-Butanol	Unable to Measure		
9		Diacetone Alcohol	Unable to Measure		
10		Dyes	Unable to Measure		

Conclusions: No compounds tested caused significant interference with the analyte of interest.

Comments: Toluene and ethyl acetate: mixed 500 µL of each reagent with 500 µL of deionized water, LMQC (lot 20160503-LMQC) and internal standard (20160429-I) were added to a headspace vial, 5 µL of either toluene or ethyl acetate diluted solution immediately added, and vials capped. Sharpie marker: the bottom of a headspace vial was mostly marked with Sharpie marker, LMQC and internal standard added immediately afterward, and vial capped. VWR marker: a small piece of Kim Wipe was extensively marked with VWR marker, added to a headspace vial, LMQC and internal standard added immediately afterward, and vial capped. *The Sharpie® Permanent Marker contained n-propanol, which more than quadrupled the internal standard signal and thus diminished the calculated value of the analyte of interest.

Acceptance Criteria:

Concentration of analytes of interest meet acceptance criteria of the method.

Validation Study 7

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

DILUTION OF SAMPLES

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Run Order	MQC2 Diluted 2x	MQC2 Calculated	% of Target	10% Ethanol Diluted 20x	Ethanol 1:20 Calculated	% of Target	10% Ethanol Diluted 50x	Ethanol 1:50 Calculated	% of Target	10% Ethanol Diluted 100x	Ethanol 1:100 Calculated	% of Target	
<i>Target Concentration (g/100 mL):</i>		<i>0.1477</i>			<i>7.890</i>			<i>7.890</i>			<i>7.890</i>			
05/04/16	Run 1	1-1	0.0735	0.1470	-0.46	0.3720	7.4400	-5.70	0.1461	7.3050	-7.41	0.0707	7.0700	-10.39
		1-2	0.0736	0.1472	-0.33	0.3749	7.4980	-4.97	0.1457	7.2850	-7.67	0.0713	7.1300	-9.63
		1-3	0.0736	0.1472	-0.33	0.3741	7.4820	-5.17	0.1475	7.3750	-6.53	0.0714	7.1400	-9.51
05/05/16	Run 2	2-1	0.0739	0.1478	0.08	0.3670	7.3400	-6.97	0.1475	7.3750	-6.53	0.0707	7.0700	-10.39
		2-2	0.0744	0.1488	0.76	0.3706	7.4120	-6.06	0.1479	7.3950	-6.27	0.0714	7.1400	-9.51
		2-3	0.0738	0.1476	-0.05	0.3714	7.4280	-5.86	0.1491	7.4550	-5.51	0.0718	7.1800	-9.00
05/06/16	Run 3	3-1	0.0733	0.1466	-0.73	0.3676	7.3520	-6.82	0.1455	7.2750	-7.79	0.0712	7.1200	-9.76
		3-2	0.0734	0.1468	-0.60	0.3678	7.3560	-6.77	0.1456	7.2800	-7.73	0.0718	7.1800	-9.00
		3-3	0.0738	0.1476	-0.05	0.3685	7.3700	-6.59	0.1467	7.3350	-7.03	0.0716	7.1600	-9.25
05/09/16	Run 4	4-1	0.0738	0.1476	-0.05	0.3677	7.3540	-6.79	0.1431	7.1550	-9.32	0.0710	7.1000	-10.01
		4-2	0.0735	0.1470	-0.46	0.3680	7.3600	-6.72	0.1426	7.1300	-9.63	0.0717	7.1700	-9.13
		4-3	0.0738	0.1476	-0.05	0.3697	7.3940	-6.29	0.1436	7.1800	-9.00	0.0712	7.1200	-9.76
05/11/16	Run 5	5-1	0.0743	0.1486	0.62	0.3743	7.4860	-5.12	0.1449	7.2450	-8.17	0.0728	7.2800	-7.73
		5-2	0.0741	0.1482	0.35	0.3754	7.5080	-4.84	0.1454	7.2700	-7.86	0.0730	7.3000	-7.48
		5-3	0.0744	0.1488	0.76	0.3775	7.5500	-4.31	0.1454	7.2700	-7.86	0.0732	7.3200	-7.22

Comments: The target concentration for MQC2 (lot 1407168) is based on the mean value obtained from the bias and precision study. The target concentration for the remaining dilutions is the concentration of the ethanol standard (lot 097K5012V; converted 10% v/v to w/v using the density of ethanol to obtain 7.890 g/100 mL). Analytical results were multiplied by the dilution factors to give the calculated value and compared to the target concentration. Case samples can be diluted by 1:2 prior to analysis. The higher dilution factors of 1:20, 1:50, and 1:100 will underestimate the ethanol concentration by up to approximately 7%, 10%, and 11%, respectively. If used, this method limitation will be disclosed on the test report.

Acceptance Criteria: $\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL

Validation Study 8

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

IN-PROCESS STABILITY

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Length of Time Delay (Unpunctured): Acceptable Limit (%):

Run date	Sample I.D.	Results	Mean	Acceptable Range		Pass/Unstable
				Low	High	
			#DIV/0!			
			#DIV/0!			

Overall Acceptance:

Comments: Study not performed; it is not appropriate to break for extended periods during sample preparation.**Acceptance Criteria:**

$\leq \pm 5\%$ if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 $\leq \pm 10\%$ if target concentration is ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL

Validation Study 8

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

AUTOSAMPLER STABILITY

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Length of Time Delay (Unpunctured): 72 hours

Acceptable Limit (%): 5 if > 0.05 g/100 mL
 Acceptable Limit (%): 10 if ≤ 0.05 g/100 mL

Run Date	Sample I.D.	Results	Mean	Bias & Precision Mean from 05/09/16	Acceptable Range		Pass/Unstable
					Low	High	
5/10/16	LMQC - 1	0.0204	0.0204	0.0200	0.0180	0.0220	Pass
	LMQC - 2	0.0202					
	LMQC - 3	0.0205					
	MQC1 - 1	0.0809	0.0803	0.0787	0.0747	0.0826	Pass
	MQC1 - 2	0.0800					
	MQC1 - 3	0.0801					
	MQC2 - 1	0.1482	0.1495	0.1476	0.1403	0.1550	Pass
	MQC2 - 2	0.1500					
	MQC2 - 3	0.1503					
	HEQC - 1	0.4039	0.4054	0.4030	0.3829	0.4232	Pass
HEQC - 2	0.4061						
HEQC - 3	0.4061						
5/11/16	LMQC - 1	0.0208	0.0207	0.0200	0.0180	0.0220	Pass
	LMQC - 2	0.0207					
	LMQC - 3	0.0205					
	MQC1 - 1	0.0816	0.0814	0.0787	0.0747	0.0826	Pass
	MQC1 - 2	0.0813					
	MQC1 - 3	0.0813					
	MQC2 - 1	0.1522	0.1520	0.1476	0.1403	0.1550	Pass
	MQC2 - 2	0.1520					
	MQC2 - 3	0.1519					
	HEQC - 1	0.4059	0.4055	0.4030	0.3829	0.4232	Pass
HEQC - 2	0.4042						
HEQC - 3	0.4065						
5/12/16	LMQC - 1	0.0206	0.0205	0.0200	0.0180	0.0220	Pass
	LMQC - 2	0.0204					
	LMQC - 3	0.0205					
	MQC1 - 1	0.0800	0.0800	0.0787	0.0747	0.0826	Pass
	MQC1 - 2	0.0804					
	MQC1 - 3	0.0795					
	MQC2 - 1	0.1502	0.1507	0.1476	0.1403	0.1550	Pass
	MQC2 - 2	0.1513					
	MQC2 - 3	0.1507					
	HEQC - 1	0.3948	0.3974	0.4030	0.3829	0.4232	Pass
HEQC - 2	0.3991						
HEQC - 3	0.3983						

Results: Samples on the autosampler may be analyzed for ethanol up to 72 hours after preparation.
Comments:

Acceptance Criteria:

≤ ± 5% if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 ≤ ± 10% if target concentration is ≤0.05 g/100 mL

Validation Study 8

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

STORAGE STABILITY

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

	LQC Day 0	HQC Day 0
Mean		
Acceptance %:	20	

Storage Conditions	Sample ID	Day 1	Day 2	Day 7	Day 14	Day 30
Room Temperature						
Room Temperature w/ Light Protection						
Refrigerated (2 to 8°C)						
Frozen (-5 to -20°C)						

Summary:

	Days
Room Temperature (RT):	
RT Light Protected:	
Refrigerated:	
Frozen:	

Comments: Study not performed; the stability of ethanol in storage conditions is well documented in the literature.

Acceptance Criteria:

≤ ± 5% if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 ≤ ± 10% if target concentration is ≤0.05 g/100 mL

Validation Study 7

Analyte: *Ethanol*
 Units: *g/100 mL*
 Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

MATRIX MATCHING

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
 Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
 Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Matrix: Blood

Run Date	Run Order	Low Control	Medium Control	High Control
<i>Target Concentration (g/100 mL):</i>				
Run 1	1-1			
	1-2			
	1-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Run 2	2-1			
	2-2			
	2-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Run 3	3-1			
	3-2			
	3-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Mean		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
SD		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Precision (%CV)	Max Within-Run	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	Between-Run			
% Bias				

Matrix: Water

Run Date	Run Order	Low Control	Medium Control	High Control
<i>Target Concentration (g/100 mL):</i>				
Run 1	1-1			
	1-2			
	1-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Run 2	2-1			
	2-2			
	2-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Run 3	3-1			
	3-2			
	3-3			
Within Run	Mean			
	SD			
	%CV			
	% Bias			
Mean		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
SD		#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Precision (%CV)	Max Within-Run	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	Between-Run			
% Bias				

Conclusions:		Low	Medium	High
Max %Bias	Blood			
Max %CV				
Max %Bias	Water			
Max %CV				

Comments: Study not performed; all samples were diluted 10x before analysis.

Acceptance Criteria:

≤ ± 5% if target concentration is >0.05 g/100 mL
 ≤ ± 10% if target concentration is ≤0.05 g/100 mL
 % CV ≤ ± 10%

Additional Study**ACETALDEHYDE**

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

Run Date	Sample I.D.	Retention Time (min)	Mean (min)
05/06/16	Low	0.941	0.941
	Low	0.941	
	Low	0.941	
	Med	0.940	0.940
	Med	0.940	
	Med	0.940	
	High	0.940	0.940
	High	0.940	
	High	0.940	

Average Retention Time (min): **0.940**

Comments: The retention time of acetaldehyde was determined by diluting reagent grade acetaldehyde (lot 00162EH) with deionized water at three concentrations (approximately 0.02 g/100 mL (low), 0.10 g/100 mL (med), and 0.35 g/100 mL (high)), aliquoting with IS, and recording the retention times of the resulting peaks. The presence of a peak at both 0.940 minutes on FID1 and at 0.797 minutes on FID2 indicates the presence of acetaldehyde.

Acceptance Criteria:

(Not applicable)

SUMMARY OF VALIDATION PERFORMANCE

Analyte: *Ethanol*
Units: *g/100 mL*
Instrument: *Headspace 3 - FID1*

Analyst: *Matthew A. Cheney, Ph.D.*
Study Dates: *05/04/16 to 05/12/16*
Primary Matrix: *Whole Blood*

The intent of this summary is to capture and document important information about the performance of this method outside the required measurements for validation.

Failed Runs (include dates/reasons):

Date	Reason

Deviations from SOP:

Other Observations:

The temperatures for blank blood lots 247837 and 247845, used to prepare the LOQ and LOD controls, were not documented at the donation site. Lot 247837 was also used for the matrix interference study. Within batches 20160505_MAC and 20160506_MAC, the lot numbers for all nine LOD samples began with "20150504" but should have been "20160504" to reflect the date of preparation.

Comments:

Recommended Maximum Run Length (# Unknown Samples):

60

Conclusion:

This method is fit for casework analysis of ethanol.