Urine Drug Screens - The Basics

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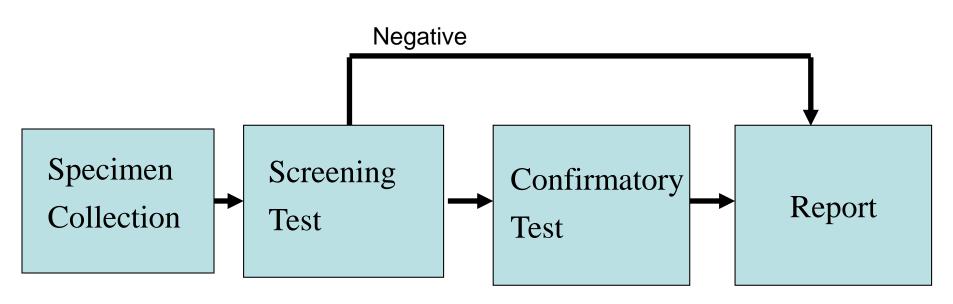
- Introduction
- Testing Process
- How to read the report & examples
- Cheating the system

Final Report

SPECIMEN DETAILS			
Specimen collected a Urine Creatinine Sample received on 28 Sample Check	- 11.4 m	mmol/L (> 1.8)	
-	INTERP	CUT-OFF	
AMPHETAMINE TYPE SUBS	Not detected ((300 ug/L)	
BENZODIAZEPINES CLASS	RFT	(200 ug/L)	
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COCAINE/METABOLITE	Not detected	(300 ug/L)	
OPIATE CLASS	RFT	(300 ug/L)	
RFT - Requires Further Testing by GCMS This drug screen was performed using CEDIA/ DRI methodologies. GCMS CONFIRMATION:			
Codeine detected. BENZODIAZEPINES not detec	ted.		
Laboratory screening and co compliance with Sections 4			

The specimen was received from a collection facility which is not accredited to Section 2 of AS/NZS 4308:2008 for specimen collection, storage, handling and dispatch.

Testing Pathway



- Photo ID.
- Supervision of collection
- Relatively quick test

Slower more complex and expensive test

- Sealed containers Transport to Lab
- Chain of custody
- Special lab.

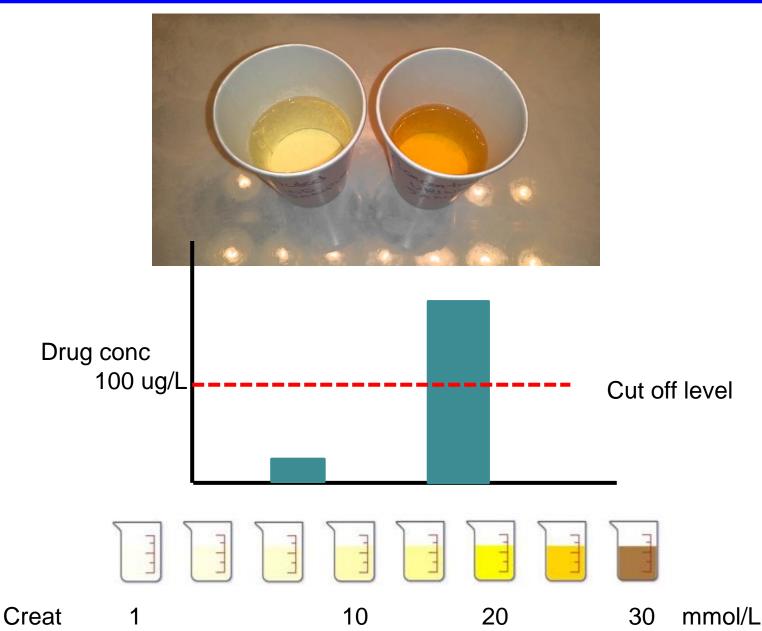
Specimen Details Section

Specimen collected at 2:20 pm on 28/08/2019 Urine Creatinine 11.4 mmol/L (> 1.8) Sample received on 28/08/2018 Sample Check Passed

<u>Creatinine</u>

- A waste product from muscle excreted in the urine
- Confirms the sample is urine.
- Gives information about urine concentration
- Dilute urine will cause drug concentrations to be low, possibly below the cut-off levels.
- Low creatinine can be caused by excess fluid intake prior to test.

Significance of Creatinine



"Sample Check"

- A test carried out to determine if there are chemicals in the urine which may affect the result.
- May be abnormal if adulterants have been added to the urine.
- If a sample does not pass this test, no further testing is carried out on it. Suggest another urine sample.

Results Section

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GCMS CONFIRMATION:

CODEINE detected.

BENZODIAZEPINES not detected.

Amphetamine Type Substances

<u>Metabolism</u>

Methamphetamine (Ice)

Metabolism

→ Amphetamine (Speed)

Detection Period

Approximately 2-3 days

Other Amphetamine Class Drugs

Ephidrine (Some medical uses) Pseudoephidrine (Sudafed – restricted access) Phentermine (Weight reduction drug - Duromine) MDA MDMA (Ecstasy) Dexamphetamine (For ADHD - detected as amphetamine)

There is no prescription drugs that contains or metabolises to methamphetamine

Report No 1

25 yr old man, previously used amphetamines

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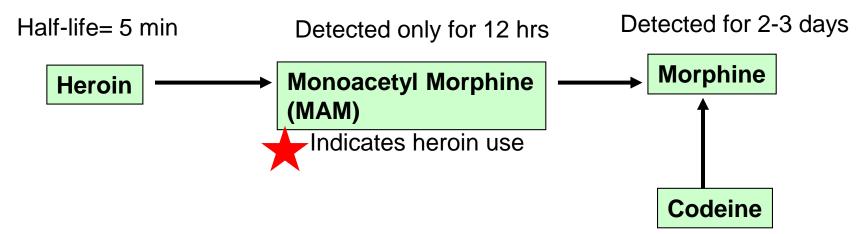
GCMS CONFIRMATION:

AmphetamineDetectedMethamphetamineDetected

Consistent with methamphetamine use.

Opiates

Metabolism



Interpretation

Finding	Interpretations
MAM + morphine +/- codeine	heroin
Morphine + codeine	Codeine? Heroin?
Morphine	Morphine? Codeine? Heroin
Codeine	Codeine

Report No 2

33 year old, heroin user

IMMUNOASSAY RESULTS	INTERP	CUT-OFF
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OPIATE CLASS	RFT	(300 ug/L)

RFT - Requires Further Testing by GCMS

GCMS CONFIRMATION:

CODEINE, MORPHINE and 6-ACETYLMORPHINE confirmed as detected. Please note: These results are consistent with Heroin use.

Report No 3

40 year old female ? heroin user

IMMUNOASSAY RESULTS	INTERP	CUT-OFF
AMPHETAMINE TYPE SUBS	Not detected	(300 ug/L)
BENZODIAZEPINES CLASS	Not detected	(200 ug/L)
CANNABINOIDS	Not detected	(50 ug/L)
COCAINE/METABOLITE	Not detected	(300 ug/L)
OPIATE CLASS	RFT	(300 ug/L)

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GCMS CONFIRMATION:

CODEINE, MORPHINE confirmed as detected.

Opiate Like Compounds

Other Prescribed opiate like drugs
 eg. Hydromorphone, Oxycodone
 - will not show up on screening tests
 - must be specifically requested

 Opiate substitutes used in treatment Methadone - tested if requested or if included on their medication list
Buprenorphine - must be specifically requested.

Benzodiazepines

- Used as anti-anxiety and sleeping medication
- May be prescribed or from black market
- Long half-life. Detectable for many weeks after last use
- Many drugs in this class.
- Lot of metabolic interconversion in the body.
- Commonest drug seen is Valium (diazepam).
- May be used as part of treatment programs
- In urine see various mixtures of
 - Nordiazepam
 - Temazepam
 - Oxazepam

Report No 4

25 year old man, heroin user

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GCMS CONFIRMATION:

OXAZEPAM, TEMAZEPAM and NORDIAZEPAM confirmed as detected.

Consistent with valium use.

Cannabis

- Large number of metabolites major one is Caboxy-THC
- Lipid soluble, long half life
- Laid down in fat tissue and slowly released
- Heavy use may remain positive for **3 months** after cessation.

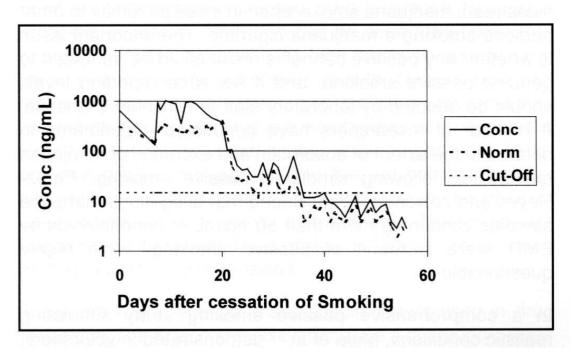


Fig 1. Elimination of Carboxy-THC from a chronic cannabis user (Subject AB).

Report No 5

30 year old, regular cannabis user, none for 5 weeks

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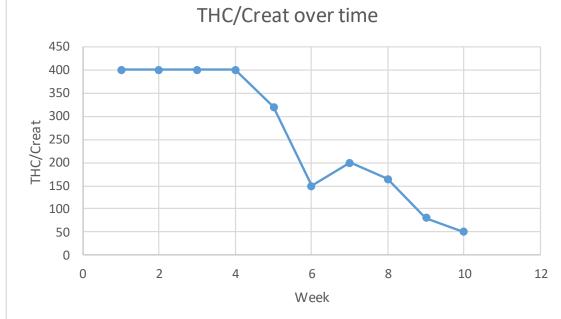
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GCMS CONFIRMATION:

CARBOXY-THC CONFIRMATION BY GCMSCarboxy-THC20(< 17)</td>ug/LCarboxy-THC/Creat6.5ug/mmol

Use of Carboxy-THC/Creat

- Assists to determine if cannabis use has stopped.
- Corrects for variation in urine concentration
- THC/Creat should at least double to confirm re-use.



Cocaine

- Not a common drug to find in Victoria.
- Most positive results seem to come from NSW, often with other positive results.
- Detection Times 2-3 days
- Metabolite seen in urine is
 - benzoylecognine &
 - ecgonine methyl ester

Alcohol

Urine Alcohol

- Alcohol is found in urine as part of normal metabolism
- It is not part of Australian Standard for drug testing
- Reported as Detected / Not Detected with cut off of 0.010 g/100mL
- Concentration does not equate to blood alcohol
- Remains detectable for about 24 hrs after drinking

Urine ETG (Ethyl Glucuronide)

- A metabolite of alcohol.
- Detectable in urine for slightly longer than alcohol.
- Currently reported as Positive or Not Detected

Non-Confirmed Screens

32 year old heroin user.

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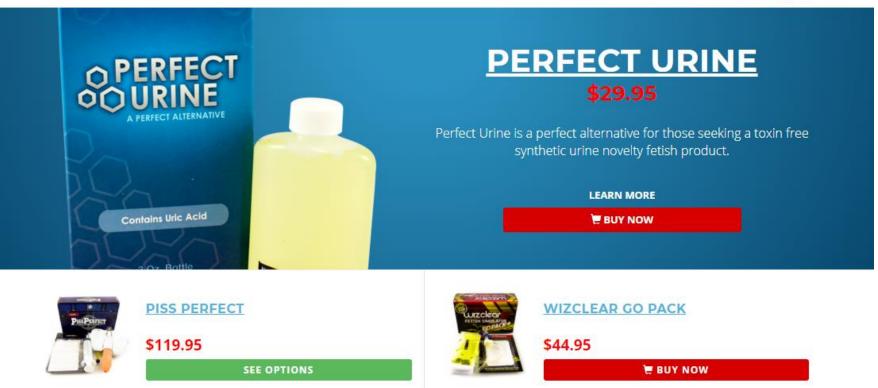
OPIATES not detected.

Possible causes

- cross reactivity with similar substance in the urine
- drug present but below the cut-off level.
 - Eg codeine level 290 ug/L (Cut-off 334)

Ways to Cheat The System

- Get someone else to take the test
- Dilute your urine
- Add something to the urine
- Obtain clean Urine



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We've received a lot of questions about urea lately—it's time for us to give everyone an answer. What we're asked daily is, "can labs detect synthetic urine?" The answer is that labs have begun to test samples for the presence of urea. Many other synthetic urine manufacturers have claimed that urea and uric acid are the same thing, but in reality, they're not. Don't be fooled by other manufacturers' claims about uric acid; if some labs don't detect urea in a sample, they will report that the sample is non-human or invalid. Not all synthetic urines contain urea, but you can be assured that Quick Fix Urine will stand up to the test.



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Batch Verification

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Detection Of Substituted urine

- Collection supervision but artificial aids, can be difficult to detect especially in females.
- Astute collector.
- Limited variation in creatinine results.
- Wrong patterns of metabolites seen.

Drugs not covered in AS4308

- Synthetic cannabis & other drugs
- Fentanyl & Pethidine (Medical contacts)
- Gamma Hydroxy Butyrate (GHB)
- LSD
- Inhaled solvents
- Some of these can be specifically requested.

Types of Synthetic Cannabis that can be detected

Mass spectrometry method: MS122 Synthetic Cannabinoids & Metabolites in Urine

Compound	Compound	Compound	Compound
5F-ADBICA	AM-694 & metabolites	JWH-201	UR-144 & metaboliltes
5F-ADB-PINACA	APICA	JWH-210 & metabolites	URB-597
5F-AKB-48 & metabolite	CP47, 497	JWH-250 & metabolites	XLR-11 & metaboliite
5F-PB-22 & metabolite	CP47, 497-C8	JWH-302	JWH-122 & metabolite
AB-FUBINACA	HU-210	JWH-398 & metabolite	JWH-200
AB-PINACA & metabolites	JWH-018 & metabolites	MAM-2201 & metabolites	AKB-48 & metabolites
ADB-Fubinaca	JWH-019 & metabolite	PB-22 & metabolites	AM-2201 & metabolite
ADBICA	JWH-073 & metabolites	RCS-4	RCS-8
ADB-PINACA	JWH-081 & metabolite	RCS-4(C4)	UR-144 & metabolites

Note: There are a much greater number that can't be detected.

What Drug Screens Tell Us

• A person has a specific drug present in their urine.

What Drug Screens Do Not Tell Us

- Method of taking the drug.
- How long ago the drug was taken.
- Degree of impairment.
- Passive use (eg cannabis).
- Legal or illegal use.
- Was it one drug or a combination of similar drugs.

Take Away Messages

- Familiarise yourself with the testing system.
- Familiarise yourself with the terminology eg creatinine, RFT, cutoff level, screening, confirmation, GCMS.
- Know the common findings for Ice, Heroin and Cannabis.
- Know the common methods of cheating.