

## **Supplemental Material**

### **Enhanced lipid isomer separation in human plasma using reversed-phase UPLC with ion-mobility / high-resolution MS detection**

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| Intra-run 1            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 8.19 0.067                                 | 5.64 0.385   | 9.85 0.144                                | 15.49 0.000   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 10.82 0.124                                 | 16.11 0.056   |
| Intra-run 2            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 8.30 0.108                                 | 5.70 0.351   | 10.00 0.205                               | 15.52 0.058   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 10.99 0.119                                 | 16.12 0.068   |
| Intra-run 3            | 0.99 0.000                                  | 8.24 0.221                                 | 5.66 0.237   | 9.89 0.143                                | 15.49 0.000   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 10.90 0.112                                 | 16.11 0.000   |
| Intra-run 4            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 8.27 0.132                                 | 5.69 0.157   | 9.95 0.174                                | 15.50 0.000   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 10.97 0.122                                 | 16.11 0.000   |
| Intra-run 5            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 8.24 0.054                                 | 5.68 0.193   | 9.91 0.111                                | 15.49 0.035   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 10.93 0.000                                 | 16.11 0.000   |
| Intra-run 6            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 8.32 0.000                                 | 5.71 0.096   | 10.02 0.109                               | 15.50 0.058   | 0.65 0.00                                   | 11.05 0.181                                 | 16.11 0.000   |
| <b>Inter-run</b>       | <b>1.00 0.380</b>                           | <b>8.26 0.564</b>                          | <b>5.68 0.498</b>  | <b>9.94 0.622</b>                         | <b>15.50 0.069</b>  | <b>0.65 0.00</b>                            | <b>10.94 0.673</b>                          | <b>16.11 0.045</b>  |

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| Intra-run 1            | 1.89 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.93 0.218                                 | 5.91 0.000                                | 5.58 0.196                                 | 6.19 0.000                                      | 7.70 0.071   |             |
| Intra-run 2            | 1.89 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.94 0.158                                 | 5.92 0.076                                | 5.58 0.098                                 | 6.20 0.088                                      | 7.71 0.071   |             |
| Intra-run 3            | 1.89 0.290   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.82 0.000                                 | 5.85 0.187                                | 5.53 0.198                                 | 6.12 0.146                                      | 7.61 0.186   |             |
| Intra-run 4            | 1.88 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.86 0.050                                 | 5.86 0.143                                | 5.55 0.197                                 | 6.16 0.267                                      | 7.65 0.215   |             |
| Intra-run 5            | 1.89 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.87 0.000                                 | 5.87 0.076                                | 5.54 0.302                                 | 6.17 0.000                                      | 7.65 0.175   |             |
| Intra-run 6            | 1.89 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 8.96 0.200                                 | 5.92 0.076                                | 5.62 0.195                                 | 6.22 0.227                                      | 7.73 0.216   |             |
| <b>Inter-run</b>       | <b>1.89 0.228</b>  | <b>1.27 0.000</b>                           | <b>8.90 0.582</b>                          | <b>5.89 0.507</b>                         | <b>5.57 0.580</b>                          | <b>6.18 0.523</b>                               | <b>7.68 9</b>  | <b>0.57</b> |

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| Intra-run 1            | 0.99 0.000                                  | 6.75 0.000                                 | 4.93 0.000   | 7.10 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.94 0.000  |
| Intra-run 2            | 0.99 0.451                                  | 6.75 0.000                                 | 4.93 0.181   | 7.10 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.94 0.000  |
| Intra-run 3            | 0.99 0.000                                  | 6.79 0.000                                 | 4.89 0.204   | 7.08 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.92 0.000  |
| Intra-run 4            | 0.99 0.000                                  | 6.79 0.000                                 | 4.89 0.091   | 7.08 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.92 0.000  |
| Intra-run 5            | 0.99 0.000                                  | 6.79 0.000                                 | 4.89 0.145   | 7.08 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.92 0.000  |
| Intra-run 6            | 1.00 0.000                                  | 6.80 0.081                                 | 4.93 0.000   | 7.10 0.000                                | 8.72 0.000  | 0.65 0.00                                   | 7.20 0.000                                  | 8.93 0.123  |
| <b>Inter-run</b>       | <b>0.99 0.410</b>                           | <b>6.78 0.318</b>                          | <b>4.91 0.439</b>  | <b>7.09 0.143</b>                         | <b>8.72 0.000</b>   | <b>0.65 0.00</b>                            | <b>7.20 0.000</b>                           | <b>8.93 0.113</b>   |

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| Intra-run 1            | 1.81 0.000   | 1.25 0.000                                  | 6.92 0.000                                 | 5.06 0.000                                | 4.68 0.096                                 | 5.30 0.103                                      | 6.58 0.204   |
| Intra-run 2            | 1.81 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 6.92 0.000                                 | 5.06 0.000                                | 4.68 0.096                                 | 5.31 0.084                                      | 6.57 0.136   |
| Intra-run 3            | 1.80 0.000   | 1.25 0.000                                  | 6.90 0.000                                 | 5.01 0.000                                | 4.62 0.362                                 | 5.25 0.209                                      | 6.51 0.168   |
| Intra-run 4            | 1.80 0.000   | 1.25 0.000                                  | 6.90 0.130                                 | 5.01 0.000                                | 4.64 0.236                                 | 5.27 0.208                                      | 6.53 0.168   |
| Intra-run 5            | 1.80 0.248   | 1.25 0.000                                  | 6.92 0.000                                 | 5.03 0.178                                | 4.63 0.361                                 | 5.28 0.085                                      | 6.53 0.306   |
| Intra-run 6            | 1.81 0.000   | 1.27 0.000                                  | 6.92 0.000                                 | 5.06 0.000                                | 4.69 0.191                                 | 5.33 0.308                                      | 6.59 0.166   |
| <b>Inter-run</b>       | <b>1.81 0.281</b>  | <b>1.26 0.763</b>                           | <b>6.91 0.135</b>                          | <b>5.04 0.468</b>                         | <b>4.66 0.612</b>                          | <b>5.29 0.540</b>                               | <b>6.55 0.515</b>  |

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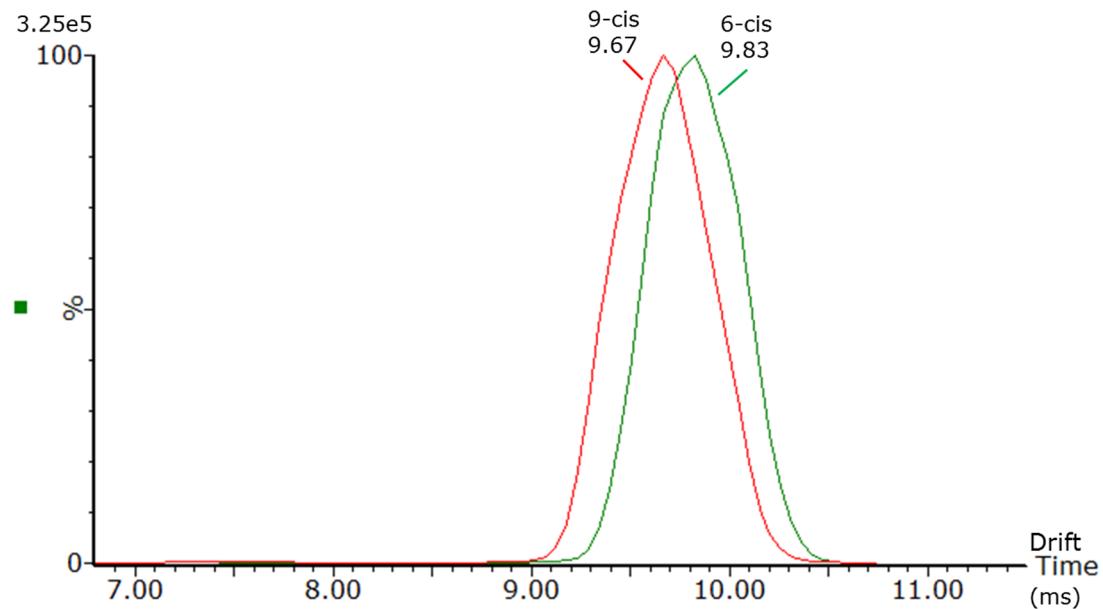


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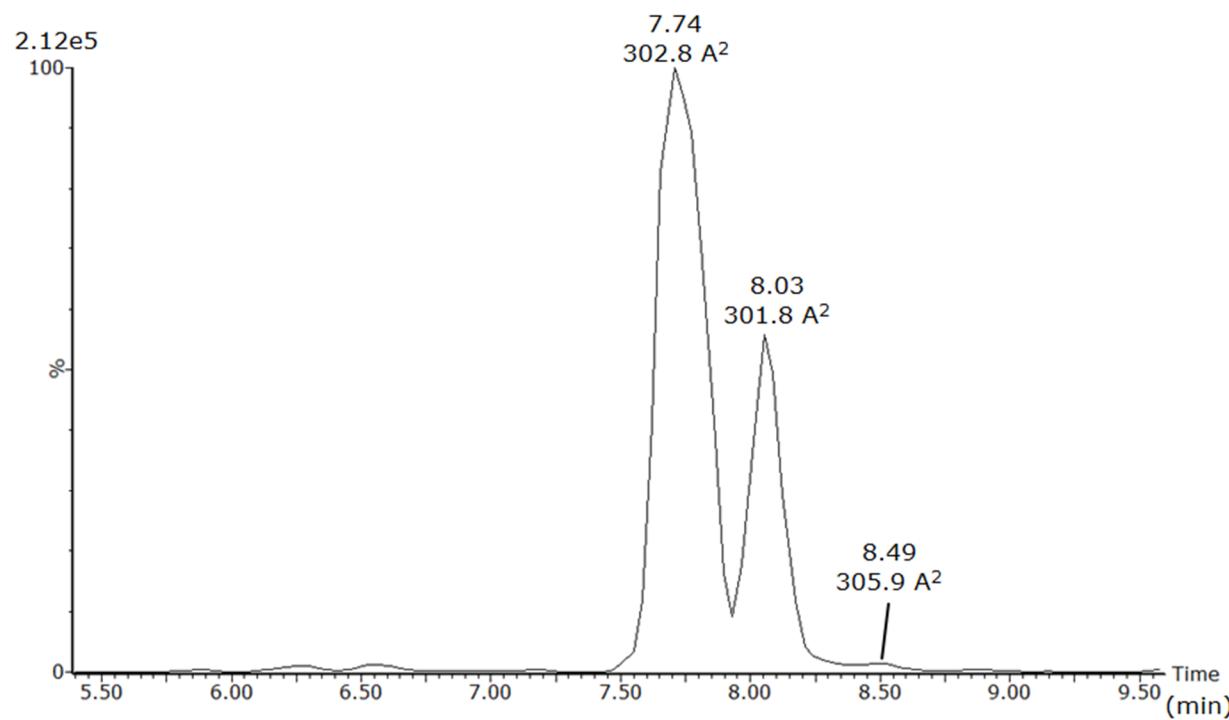


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