

**Supplementary Figure 1. CPTAC Schematic Representation of the Assay Characterization
Guidance Document**

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Assay Development Working Group - Experiments for Assay Characterization

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Experiment 2: *Mini-Validation of Repeatability*

- Examines intra- and inter-assay variability.
- Uses the LLOQ from Experiment 1 from which 3 concentrations (Low, Medium and High) are used to assess repeatability.
- 3 replicates processed and measured on 5 different days.



Experiment 3: *Selectivity*

- Examines the response of a peptide in six different biological replicates of the matrix.
- Replicates analyzed with no spike and 1/2 the Medium and Medium concentrations defined in Experiment 2.



Experiment 4: *Stability*

- Examines the stability of a peptide spiked into a background matrix
- Stability assessed based on peak area variability following:
 - different storage conditions (4C and -70C) over time.
 - freeze-thaw cycles
- Variability compared to data collected from Experiment 2.



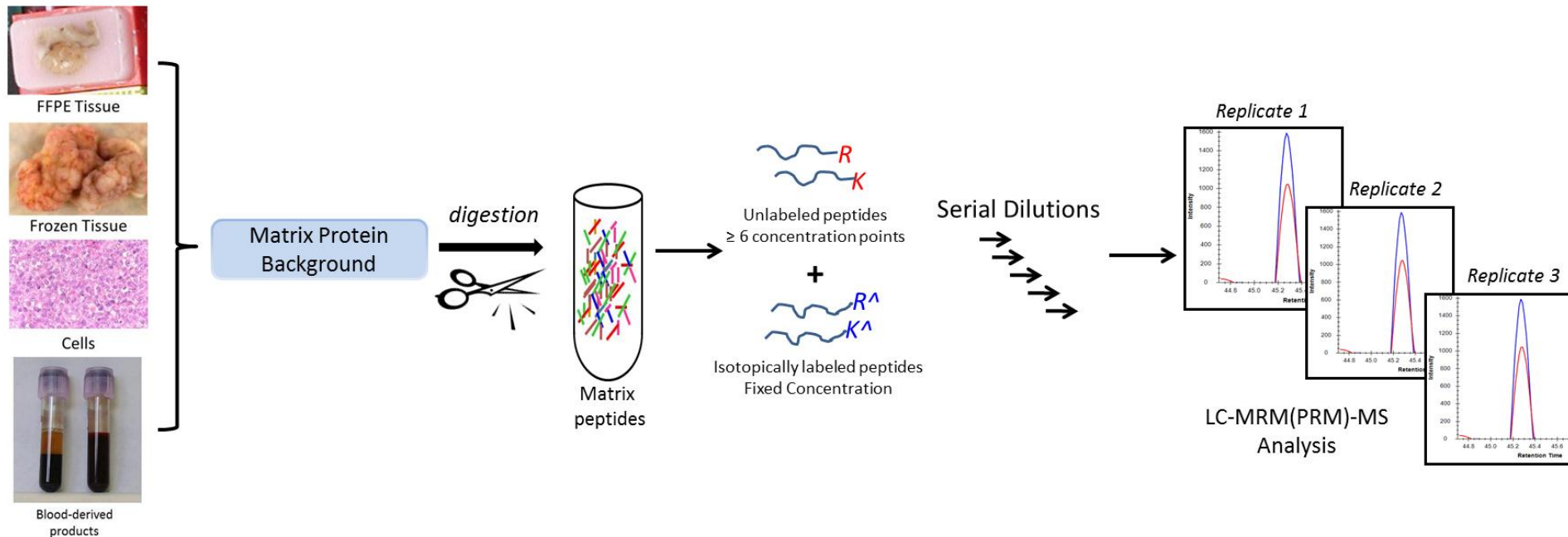
Experiment 5: *Reproducible Detection of Endogenous Analyte*

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- Examines intra- and inter-assay variability of the entire assay workflow, including digestion.

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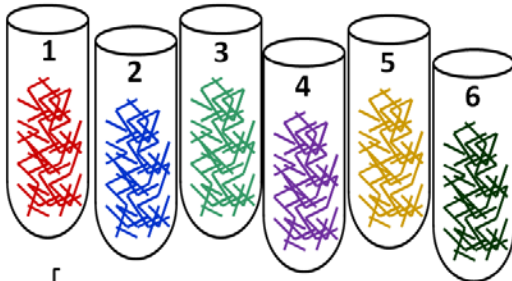


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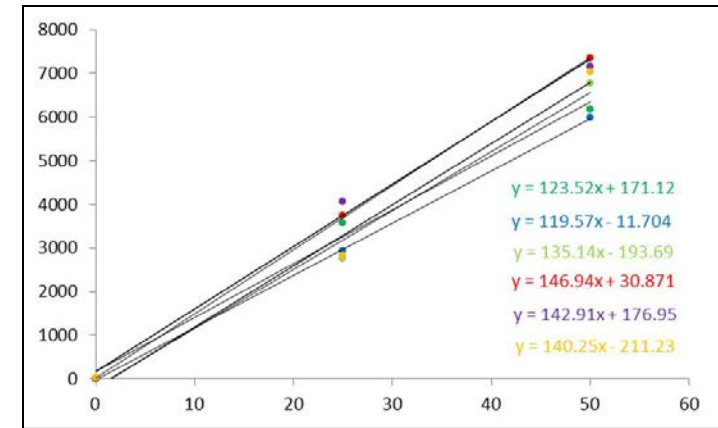
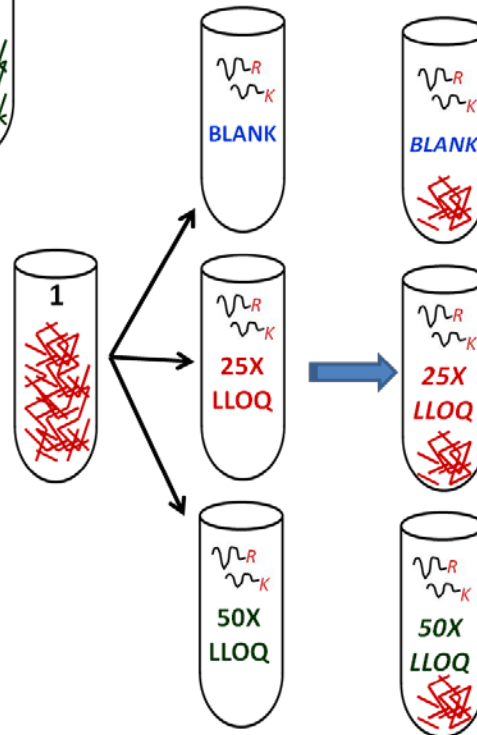
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Six Biological Replicates of Matrix



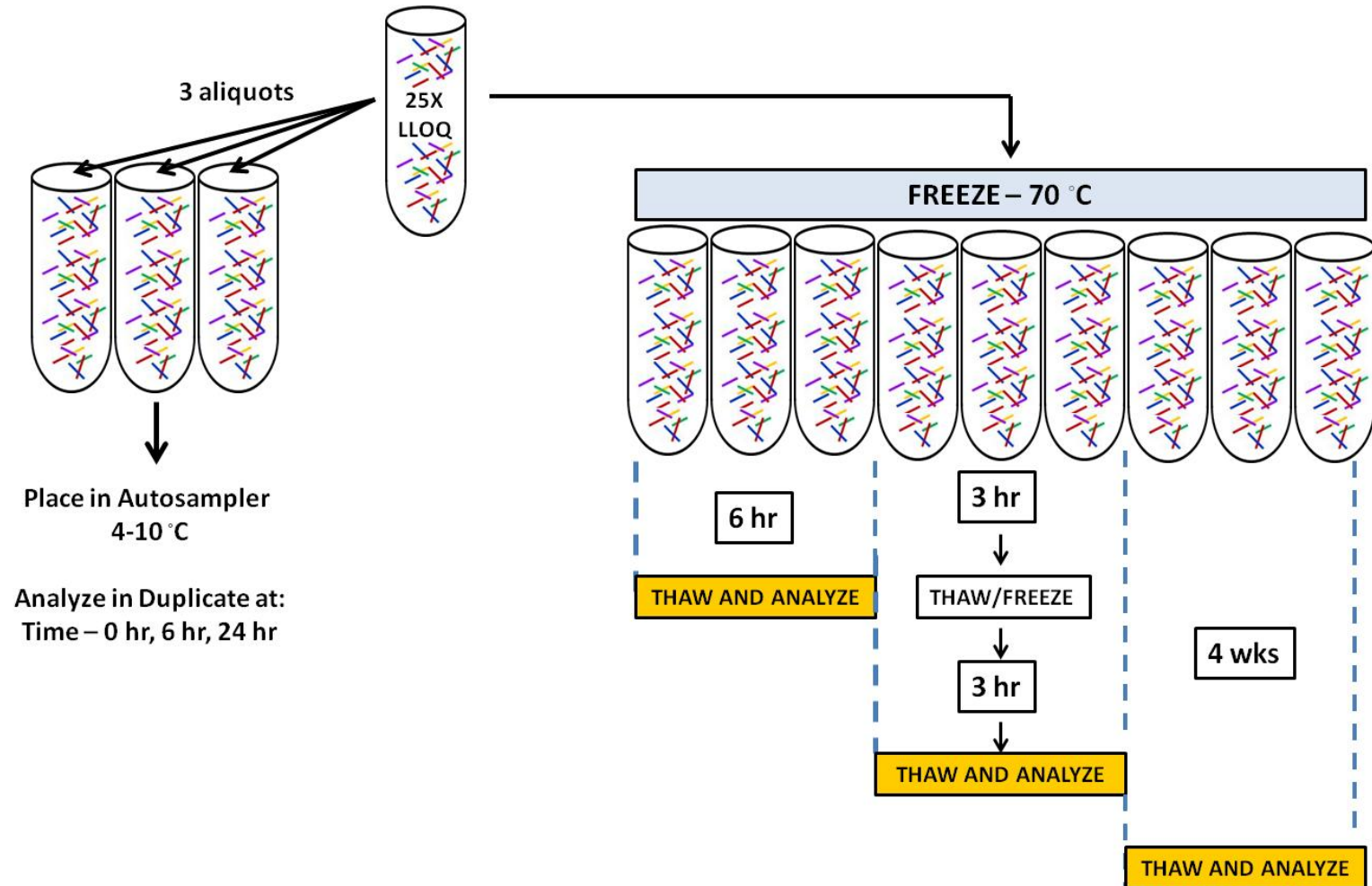
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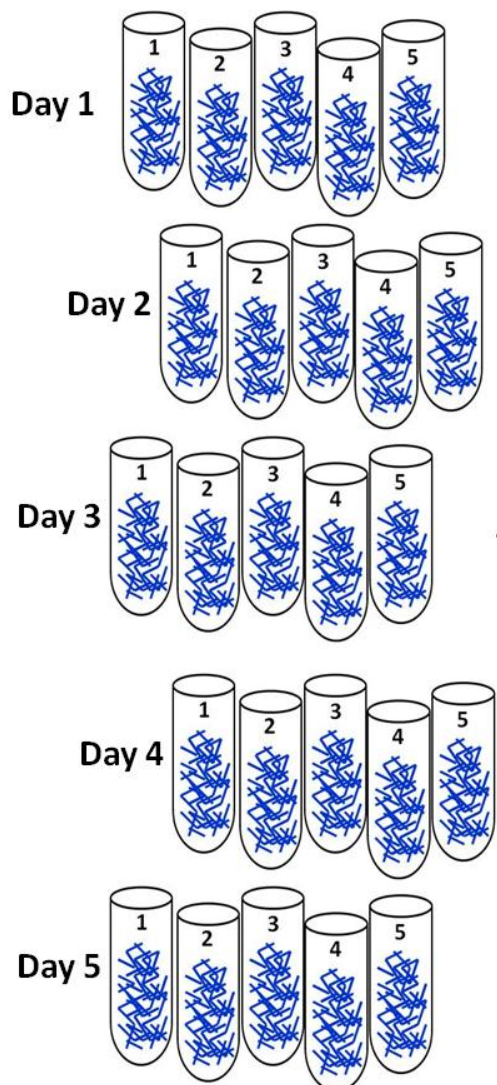
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LC-MRM(PRM)-MS
Analysis

Day	Replicate					
	1	2	3	4	5	
1	19396	17334	17325	15488	16573	8.3%
2	24686	21386	21000	23260	22226	6.6%
3	22121	26532	22050	20064	26730	12.7%
4	17280	18572	20295	14404	21384	14.8%
5	21881	19859	21450	16840	22113	10.7%
	13.4%	17.2%	9.0%	20.1%	16.5%	
	Ave					10.6%
	13.2%					
	Total error					17.0%