



MS/MS Standards

For Screening and Tuning



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Amino Acid Reference Standards (NSK-A and NSK-A1)

These sets contain 10 vials of a dry mixture of 12 stable isotope-labeled amino acids. Accurate and complete reconstitution of one vial's contents in 1 mL of high-purity solvent will produce the concentrations listed in the table below. Individual vials are also available.

Reconstitution Recommendations for Concentrated Stock

- Solubilize the dried-down mix in 1 mL of 50:50 purified water:methanol.
- Vortex manually for 1 minute then auto-vortex for 30 minutes or until complete reconstitution is achieved.

Aliquots of the concentrated stock can then be processed, diluted according to the following instructions, or stored as indicated below.

Dilution Recommendations for Working Stock

To prepare working stock solutions, one of the following procedures is suggested:

- Dilute 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents per instructions above) of the concentrated amino acid stock standard with pure solvent.
- If Set B (Acylcarnitine Reference Standards) was purchased, mix 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents) of concentrated standards from Set A with 1 mL of the concentrated standards from Set B.

Composition

NSK-A		
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)
Glycine (Gly)	2- ¹³ C, 99%; ¹⁵ N, 98%	2500
DL-Glutamatic acid (Glu)	2,4,4-D ₃ , 98%	500
L-Alanine (Ala)	2,3,3,3-D ₄ , 98%	500
L-Arginine·HCI (Arg)	5-13C, 99%; 4,4,5,5-D ₄ , 95%	500
L-Aspartatic acid (Asp)	2,3,3-D ₃ , 98%	500
L-Citruline (Cit)	5,5-D ₂ , 98%	500
L-Leucine (Leu)	5,5,5-D ₃ , 99%	500
L-Methionine (Met)	methyl-D ₃ , 98%	500
L-Ornithine·HCI (Orn)*	5,5-D ₂ , 98%	500
L-Phenylalanine (Phe)	ring-13C ₆ , 99%	500
L-Tyrosine (Tyr)	ring-13C ₆ , 99%	500
L-Valine (Val)	D ₈ , 98%	500

^{*}NSK-A1 contains Orn 3,3,4,4,5,5,-D₆, 98%. The remaining components are equivalent in NSK-A.

Note: A complementary set of these unlabeled amino acid reference standards (NSK-A-US-1) and a combined set with NSK-B (i.e., NSK-AB) is also available.

Usage Specifications

NSK-A		
Criteria	Recommendation	
Use	960 samples/vial	
Before reconstitution:		
Storage	room temperature and light protected	
Recommended retest	4 years	
After reconstitution:		
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.	
Recommended retest	1 month	

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Carnitine and Acylcarnitine Reference Standards (NSK-B)

These sets contain 10 vials of a dry mixture of eight stable isotope-labeled free carnitine and acylcarnitines. Accurate and complete reconstitution of one vial's contents in 1 mL of high-purity solvent will produce the concentrations listed in the table below. Individual vials are also available.

Reconstitution Recommendations for Concentrated Stock

- Solubilize the dried-down mix in 1 mL of highly pure methanol
- Vortex manually for 1 minute then auto-vortex for 30 minutes or until complete reconstitution is achieved.

Aliquots of the concentrated stock can then be processed, diluted according to the following instructions, or stored as indicated below.

Dilution Recommendations for Working Stock

To prepare working stock solutions, one of the following procedures is suggested:

- Dilute 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents per instructions above) of the concentrated acylcarnitine stock standard with pure solvent.
- If NSK-A (Amino Acid Reference Standards) was purchased, mix 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents) of concentrated standards from Set A with 1 mL of the concentrated standards from Set B.

Composition

NSK-B		
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)
L-Carnitine (C0)	trimethyl-D ₉ , 98%	152.0
O-Acetyl-L-carnitine·HCl (C2)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	38.0
O-Propionyl-L-carnitine·HCl (C3)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	7.6
O-Butyryl-L-carnitine·HCl (C4)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98% (CP 97%)	7.6
O-Isovaleryl-L-carnitine·HCl (C5)	N,N,N-trimethyl-D ₉ , 98%	7.6
O-Octanoyl-L-carnitine·HCl (C8)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	7.6
O-Myristoyl-L-carnitine·HCl (C14)	N,N,N-trimethyl-D ₉ , 98%	7.6
O-Palmitoyl-L-carnitine·HCl (C16)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	15.2

Note: A complementary set of these unlabeled carnitine/acylcarnitine standards (NSK-B-US-1) and a combined set with NSK-A (i.e., NSK-AB) is also available.

Usage Specifications

NSK-B	
Criteria	Recommendation
Use	960 samples/vial
Before reconstitution:	
Storage	-5 to 5°C and light protected
Recommended retest	2 years
After reconstitution:	
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.
Recommended retest	1 month

Example References

Haynes, C.A.; De Jesús, V.R. **2016**. Simultaneous quantitation of hexacosanoyl lysophosphatidylcholine, amino acids, acylcarnitines, and succinylacetone during FIA-ESI-MS/MS analysis of dried blood spot extracts for newborn screening. *Clin Biochem, 49(1-2),* 161-165.

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Note: These references utilize NSK-A and NSK-B.

Supplemental Acylcarnitine Reference Standards (NSK-B-G1)

These sets contain 10 vials of a dry mixture of five stable isotope-labeled acylcarnitines. Accurate and complete reconstitution of one vial's contents in 1 mL of high-purity solvent will produce the concentrations listed in the table below. Individual vials are also available.

Reconstitution Recommendations for Concentrated Stock

- Solubilize the dried-down mix in 1 mL of highly pure methanol
- Vortex manually for 1 minute then auto-vortex for 30 minutes or until complete reconstitution is achieved.

Aliquots of the concentrated stock can then be processed, diluted according to the following instructions, or stored as indicated below.

Dilution Recommendations for Working Stock

To prepare working stock solutions, mix 1 mL (vial contents) of concentrated standards from NSK-A with 1 mL of the concentrated standards from NSK-B and 1 mL of the concentrated standards from NSK-B-G1.

Composition

NSK-B-G1		
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)
O-Glutaryl-L-carnitine·CLO₄ (C5DC)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98% (CP 97%)	152.0
3-Hydroxyisovaleryl-L- carnitine·CLO ₄ (C5OH)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	7.6
O-Dodecanoyl-L- carnitine·HCl (C12)	N,N,N-trimethyl-D ₉ , 98%	7.6
O-Octadecanoyl-L- carnitine·HCl (C18)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	15.2
O-3-DL-Hydroxypalmitoyl-L- carnitine·CLO₄ (C16OH)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	15.2

Note: A complementary set of these unlabeled acylcarnitine standards (NSK-B-G1-US) is also available.

Usage Specifications

NSK-B-G1	
Criteria	Recommendation
Use	960 samples/vial
Before reconstitution:	
Storage	-5 to 5°C and light protected
Recommended retest	2 years
After reconstitution:	
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.
Recommended retest	1 month

Example References

Simcox, J.; Geoghegan, G.; Maschek, J.A.; et al. 2017. Global analysis of plasma lipids identifies liver-derived acylcarnitines as a fuel source for brown fat thermogenesis. *Cell Metab*, 26(3), 509-522.

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Amino Acid and Carnitine/Acylcarnitine Tuning Standards (NSK-A-TS and NSK-B-TS)

These standards are designed to tune the mass spectrometer and are intended to be conducted independent of experimental samples and their preparation. After simple reconstitution in 1 mL of solvent, the working solutions are ready for instrument tuning (as part of regular maintenance), MS/MS troubleshooting, and/or system suitability checks (i.e., before, during, and after batch analysis).

Composition

NSK-A-TS			
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)	
L-Alanine (Ala)	2,3,3,3-D ₄ , 98%	25	
L-Phenylalanine (Phe)	ring-13C ₆ , 99%	25	
L-Citrulline (Cit)	5,5-D ₂ , 98%	25	
DL-Glutamic acid (Glu)	2,4,4-D ₃ , 98%	25	
L-Methionine (Met)	methyl-D ₃ , 98%	25	
NSK-B-TS			
L-Carnitine (C0)	trimethyl-D ₉ , 98%	7.6	
O-Propionyl-L-carnitine (C3)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	0.38	
O-Octanoyl-L-carnitine (C8)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	0.38	
O-Palmitoyl-L-carnitine (C16)	N-methyl-D ₃ , 98%	0.76	

Note: The reconstituted tuning standards are not intended to replace the NSK-A and NSK-B reference standards. These tuning standards are available individually and as a set (i.e., NSK-AB-TS-2X1).

Usage Specifications

NSK-A-TS and NSK-B-TS		
Criteria	Recommendation	
Use	10 μ L/min direct infusion at a frequency of 1-2× per week	
Before reconstitution:		
Storage	room temperature and light protected	
Recommended retest	4 years for NSK-A-TS and 2 years for NSK-B-TS	
After reconstitution:		
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.	
Recommended retest	1 month	

CIL Application Note

NSK-A-TS and NSK-B-TS Instructions for Use (#41)

Succinylacetone Reference Standards (NSK-T)

This set contains 10 vials of dried-down stable isotope-labeled succinylacetone. Accurate and complete reconstitution of one vial's contents in 1 mL of high-purity solvent will produce the concentrations listed in the table below. Individual vials are also available.

Reconstitution Recommendations for Concentrated Stock

- Solubilize the dried-down mix in 1 mL of highly pure methanol
- Vortex manually for 1 minute then auto-vortex for 30 minutes or until complete reconstitution is achieved.

Aliquots of the concentrated stock can then be processed, diluted according to the following instructions, or stored as indicated below.

Dilution Recommendations for Working Stock

To prepare working stock solutions, dilute 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents per instructions above) of the concentrated succinylacetone standard with pure solvent.

Composition

NSK-T		
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)
Succinylacetone (SUAC)	3,4,5,6,7- ¹³ C ₅ , 99%	1000

Note: Unlabeled SUAC (ULM-7995) is also available

Usage Specifications

NSK-T		
Criteria	Recommendation	
Use	9,600 samples/vial	
Before reconstitution:		
Storage	room temperature, protected from light and moisture	
Recommended retest	5 years, if stored as recommended	
After reconstitution:		
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.	
Recommended retest	1 month	

Example References

de Sain-van der Velden, M.G.M.; van der Ham, M.; Gerrits, J.; et al. 2017. Quantification of metabolites in dried blood spots by direct infusion high resolution mass spectrometry. Anal Chim Acta, 979, 45-50.

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Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia (CAH) Reference Standards (NSK-S-CAH)

This set contains 10 vials of dried-down stable isotope-labeled steroids. Accurate and complete reconstitution of one vial's contents in 1 mL of high-purity solvent will produce the concentrations listed in the table below. Individual vials are also available.

Reconstitution Recommendations for Concentrated Stock

- Solubilize the dried-down mix in 1 mL of highly pure methanol
- Vortex manually for 1 minute then auto-vortex for 30 minutes or until complete reconstitution is achieved.

Aliquots of the concentrated stock can then be processed, diluted according to the following instructions, or stored as indicated below.

Dilution Recommendations for Working Stock

To prepare working stock solutions, dilute 1 mL (reconstituted vial contents per instructions above) of the concentrated succinylacetone standard with pure solvent.

Composition

NSK-S-CAH		
Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Conc. (µM)
17α-Hydroxyprogesterone (17-OHP)	2,2,4,6,6,21,21,21-D ₈ , 98%	20
4-Androstene-3,17-dione (A4)*	2,2,4,6,6,16,16-D ₇ , 97%	20
11-Deoxycortisol (11-S)	2,2,4,6,6-D ₅ , 98%	20
21-Deoxycortisol (21-S)	2,2,4,6,6,21,21,21-D ₈ , 97%	20
Cortisol (F)	9,11,12,12-D ₄ , 98%	100

Note: More concentrated stocks are also available.

Usage Specifications

NSK-S-CAH			
Criteria	Recommendation		
Use	48 samples/vial		
Before reconstitution:			
Storage	-5 to 5°C and light protected		
Recommended retest	5 years, if stored as recommended		
After reconstitution:			
Storage	store in a tightly sealed vial at 4°C. To maintain the integrity of the solution, store the sealed vials in a second sealed container.		
Recommended retest	1 month		

Example References

Gervasoni, J.; Schiattarella, A.; Primiano, A.; et al. **2016**. Simultaneous quantification of 17-hydroxyprogesterone, androstenedione, testosterone and cortisol in human serum by LC-MS/MS using TurboFlow online sample extraction. *Clin Biochem, 49(13-14),* 998-1003.

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Dhillon, K.; Ho, T.; Rich, P.; et al. **2011**. An automated method on analysis of blood steroids using liquid chromatography tandem mass spectrometry: application to population screening for congenital adrenal hyperplasia in newborns. *Clin Chem Acta*, *412*(*23-24*), 2076-2084.

^{*}Controlled substance. CIL has a DEA exemption for this product.

Additional Standards for Screening

The additional products outlined below are available as individual dried-down mixtures of their substrate and internal standard.

Lysosomal α-Glucosidase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-PO-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 100:1.

	Substrate	Internal Standard
		$(7-D_5$ -Benzoylamino-heptyl)-[2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl-carbamoyl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid $tert$ -butyl ester
Chemical Formula	$C_{34}H_{49}N_3O_{10}$	$C_{28}H_{34}N_3O_5D_5$
MW (Da)	659.8	502.7

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 1.8 mL of 100 g/L CHAPS in water. Vortex.
- Add 15.9 mL of buffer 0.34 M sodium phosphate (monobasic), 0.17 M sodium citrate (tribasic) dihydrate, pH 4.0. Vortex.
- Add 0.3 mL of 0.8 mM acarbose in water.

α-Galactosidase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-FA-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 500:1.

	Substrate	Internal Standard
Compound Name		(6-D _s -Benzoylamino-hexyl)-[2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl-carbamoyl)- ethyl]-carbamic acid <i>tert</i> -butyl ester
Chemical Formula	$C_{33}H_{47}N_3O_{10}$	$C_{27}H_{32}N_3O_5D_5$
MW (Da)	645.7	488.6

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 0.45 mL of aqueous sodium taurocholate (120 g/L sodium taurocholate, ≥95% purity). Vortex.
- Add 14.67 mL of 0.174 M sodium acetate buffer (pH 4.6). Vortex.
- Add 2.88 mL of 1 M N-acetylgalactosamine in water.

Glucocerebrosidase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-GA-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 50:1.

	Substrate	Internal Standard	
1 .	D-Glucosyl-β1-1'-N-dodecanoyl-D- <i>erythro</i> -sphingosine [C12-glucocerebroside]	N-Myristoyl-D- <i>erythro</i> -sphingosine [C14-ceramide]	
Chemical Formula	$C_{36}H_{69}NO_8$	$C_{32}H_{63}NO_3$	
MW (Da)	643.9	509.8	

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 2.4 mL of aqueous sodium taurocholate (120 g/L sodium taurocholate, ≥95% purity). Vortex.
- Add 15.6 mL of a 0.72 M phosphate, 0.36 M citrate buffer, pH 5.1 (prepared with sodium phosphate monobasic and sodium citrate tribasic dihydrate). Vortex.

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Additional Standards for Screening (continued)

Galactocerebrosidase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-KR-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 150:1.

	Substrate	Internal Standard
	D-Galactosyl-β1-1'-octanoyl-D- <i>erythro</i> -sphingosine [C8-galactosylceramide]	N-Decanoyl-D- <i>erythro</i> -sphingosine [C10-ceramide]
Chemical Formula	$C_{32}H_{61}NO_{8}$	$C_{28}H_{55}NO_3$
MW (Da)	587.8	453.7

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 1.8 mL of aqueous sodium taurocholate (96 g/L sodium taurocholate, ≥95% purity and 12 g/L oleic acid). Vortex.
- Add 16.2 mL of a 0.2 M phosphate, 0.1 M citrate buffer, pH 4.4 (prepared with sodium phosphate monobasic and sodium citrate tribasic dihydrate). Vortex.

α-L-Iduronidase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-MP-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 150:1.

	Substrate	Internal Standard	
Compound Name	(7-(1-lduronic acid)-oxycoumarin-4-methylamine- (5'-N-boc-aminopentanoyl)-amide)	(7-Hydroxycoumarin-4-methylamine- (4'-N-boc-aminobutanoyl)-amide)	
Chemical Formula	$C_{26}H_{34}N_2O_{12}$	$C_{19}H_{24}N_2O_6$	
MW (Da)	566.55	376.4	

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 0.5 mL of inhibitor solution (3.0 mM D-saccharic acid 1,4 lactone monohydrate in water). Vortex.
- Add 17.5 mL of sodium formate buffer (0.11 M sodium formate and 0.16 M formic acid, pH 3.6). Vortex.

Acid Sphingomyelinase Substrate and Internal Standard (NSK-NI-1)

Each vial contains the following compounds at a molar ratio of 50:1.

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	Substrate	Internal Standard	
Compound Name	<i>N</i> -Hexanoyl-D- <i>erythro</i> -sphingosylphosphorylcholine [C6-sphingomyelin]	N-butyroyl-D-erythro-sphingosine [C4-ceramide]	
Chemical Formula	$C_{29}H_{59}N_2O_6P$	$C_{22}H_{43}NO_3$	
MW (Da)	562.8	369.6	

Reconstitution Recommendations

- Solubilize with 0.15 mL of aqueous sodium taurocholate (120 g/L sodium taurocholate, ≥95% purity). Vortex.
- Add 17.85 mL of 0.93 M sodium acetate, 0.604 mM zinc chloride buffer, pH 5.7. Vortex.

Usage Specifications

Criteria	Recommendation	
Use	~600 samples/vial	
Before reconstitution:		
Storage	-20°C and light protected	
Recommended retest	2 years	
After reconstitution:		
Storage	2-8°C or -20°C	
Recommended retest	4 weeks	

Additional Standards for Screening (continued)

Catalog No.	Standard (Abbreviation)	Label and Enrichment	Unit Size
CNLM-9007-CA	L-Argininosuccinic acid (ASA), barium salt·2H ₂ O	arginine- ¹³ C ₆ , 99%; ¹⁵ N ₄ , 99% (CP 90%)	0.1 mg, 0.5 mg
ULM-9008-CA	L-Argininosuccinic acid (ASA), barium salt-3H ₂ O	unlabeled (CP 90%)	100 mg
CLM-9426	Ethylmalonic acid (EMA)	¹³ C ₄ , 99%	Please inquire
DLM-6013	Ethylmalonic acid (EMA)	methyl-D ₃ , 98%	0.1 g
DLM-3619	DL-Homocystine (HCY)	3,3,3',3',4,4,4',4'-D ₈ , 98%	0.5 g, 1 g
CLM-8742	allo-Isoleucine (alle)	¹³ C ₆ , 97-99%	Please inquire
DLM-1505	allo-Isoleucine (alle)	D ₁₀ , 98%	0.1 g
DLM-2312	Methylcitric acid (MCA)	methyl-D ₃ , 98% (CP 90%)	Please inquire
CLM-9426	Methylmalonic acid (MMA)	¹³ C ₄ , 99%	0.1 g
DLM-387	Methylmalonic acid (MMA)	methyl-D ₃ , 98%	250 mg
NLM-1048	Orotic acid (Oro)·H ₂ O	1,3- ¹⁵ N ₂ , 98%	250 mg
CLM-2260	L-Proline (Pro)	¹³ C ₅ , 99%	0.1 g, 0.25 g, 0.5 g
DLM-487	L-Proline (Pro)	D ₇ , 97-98%	100 mg, 250 mg
ULM-8333	L-Proline (Pro)	unlabeled	50 mg, 100 mg
DLM-10520	Lysophosphatidylcholine 20:0 (LYSO-PC 20:0)	eicosanoyl-12,12,13,13-D ₄ , 98%	1 mg, 5 mg
ULM-10521	Lysophosphatidylcholine 20:0 (LYSO-PC 20:0)	unlabeled	5 mg, 10 mg
CLM-10499	Lysophosphatidylcholine 22:0 (LYSO-PC 22:0)	docosanoyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-13C ₆ , 99%	1 mg, 5 mg
DLM-10500	Lysophosphatidylcholine 22:0 (LYSO-PC 22:0)	docosanoyl-12,12,13,13-D ₄ , 98%	1 mg, 5 mg
ULM-10498	Lysophosphatidylcholine 22:0 (LYSO-PC 22:0)	unlabeled	5 mg, 10 mg
CLM-10496	Lysophosphatidylcholine 24:0 (LYSO-PC 24:0)	tetracosanoyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-13C ₆ , 99%	1 mg, 5 mg
DLM-10497	Lysophosphatidylcholine 24:0 (LYSO-PC 24:0)	tetracosanoyl-12,12,13,13-D ₄ , 98%	1 mg, 5 mg
ULM-10495	Lysophosphatidylcholine 24:0 (LYSO-PC 24:0)	unlabeled	5 mg, 10 mg
CLM-9792	Lysophosphatidylcholine 26:0 (LYSO-PC 26:0)	hexacosanoyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-13C ₆ , 99%	1 mg, 5 mg
DLM-10501	Lysophosphatidylcholine 26:0 (LYSO-PC 26:0)	hexacosanoyl-12,12,13,13-D ₄ , 98%	1 mg, 5 mg
ULM-9791	Lysophosphatidylcholine 26:0 (LYSO-PC 26:0)	unlabeled	5 mg, 10 mg

Example References

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MS/MS Parameter Examples (all m/z as [M+H]+)

Neutral loss (NL) scan (for NSK-A and NSK-A1 standards)

Compound	All book to the co	Underivatized		Butyl Ester Derivatized	
	Abbreviation	Precursor Ion m/z	NL m/z	Precursor Ion m/z	NL m/z
Alanine (D ₄)	Ala	94	46	150	102
Arginine (13C; D ₄)	Arg	180	105	236	161
Aspartate (D ₃)	Asp	137	46	249	102
Citrulline (D ₂)	Cit	178	63	234	119
Glutamate (D ₃)	Glu	151	46	263	102
Glycine (13C; 15N)	Gly	78	46	134	102
Leucine (D ₃)	Leu	135	46	191	102
Methionine (D ₃)	Met	153	46	209	102
Ornithine (D ₂)	Orn	135	63	191	119
Ornithine (D ₆)	Orn	139	63	195	119
Phenylalanine (13C ₆)	Phe	172	46	228	102
Tyrosine (13C ₆)	Tyr	188	46	244	102
Valine (D ₈)	Val	126	46	182	102

Note: The MS/MS fragmentation mechanism of amino acids during NL scan is well established (e.g., PMID: 14578311). For example, the losses for the underivatized amino acids reflect HCOOH (m/z 46), HCOOH and NH₃ (m/z 63), and HCOOH and H₂NCNHNH₂ (m/z 105).

Precursor (Pre) ion scan (for NSK-B and NSK-B-G1 standards)

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Compound	Abbreviation	Precursor Ion m/z	Product Ion <i>m/z</i>	Precursor Ion m/z	Product Ion <i>m/z</i>
Carnitine (D ₉)	C0	171	85	227	85
Acetylcarnitine (D ₃)	C2	207	85	263	85
Propionylcarnitine (D ₃)	C3	221	85	277	85
Butyrylcarnitine (D ₃)	C4	235	85	291	85
Isovalerylcarnitine (D ₉)	C5	255	85	311	85
Glutarylcarnitine (D₃)	C5DC	279	85	391	85
Hydroxyisovalerylcarnitine (D ₃)	C5OH	265	85	321	85
Octanoylcarnitine (D ₃)	C8	291	85	347	85
Dodecanoylcarnitine (D ₉)	C12	353	85	409	85
Myristoylcarnitine (D ₉)	C14	381	85	437	85
Palmitoylcarnitine (D ₃)	C16	403	85	459	85
Octadecanoylcarnitine (D ₃)	C18	431	85	487	85

Note: The common fragment ion of m/z 85 corresponds to *CH₂-CH=CH-COOH and is consistent between non-derivatized and derivatized acylcarnitines (e.g., PMID: 9365395 for background and fragmentation mechanism).

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