



## Overview of diagnostic test for Special Assays in serum and in urine

This document summarizes a number of diagnostic tests commonly used by the ERNDIM participating labs to analyse special analytes in serum or urine relevant to the diagnosis of inborn errors of metabolism. Only the methods for analytes most commonly tested by ERNDIM participants have been included in this review.

Detailed protocols are not included here; these can be found in the literature references provided

### 1.Methods for Analytes from the Special Assays in Serum scheme

**Lactate, Pyruvate and 3-Hydroxybutyrate:** Enzymatic determination (Vassault A 2008); (Artuch et al. 1995)

**Carnitine free:** MS/MS (Matern 2014)

**Homocysteine:** HPLC-SBDF (Pfeiffer et al. 1999); LC-MS/MS (Magera et al. 1999); immunoassay (Frantzen et al. 1998; Shipchandler and Moore 1995)

**VLFA (C22:0; C24:0;C26:0):** GC-MS, GC-MS methyl ester (Moser 1991); SID methyl ester (ten Brink et al. 1992)

**MMA:** MS/MS (Blom et al. 2007); GC-MS/SID (Jakobs et al. 1990)

### 2.Methods for Analytes from the Special Assays in Urine scheme

**Carnitine free:** MS/MS (Matern 2014)

**Creatine and GAA:** LC-MS/MS (Bodamer et al. 2001); (Cognat et al. 2004)

**MPS:** DMB test (de Jong et al. 1992)

**Orotic acid:** MS/MS (Ito et al. 2000); GC-MS SID (Jakobs et al. 1984); HPLC (Sebesta et al. 1994)

**Succinylacetone:** GC-MS (Sweetman 1991); GC-MS SID (Jakobs et al. 1988)

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