



## Synthetic Cannabinoid-1 Assay

The 1<sup>st</sup> commercially available Homogeneous Enzyme Immunoassay for the detection of synthetic cannabinoids and their metabolites in urine.

### Assay Characteristics

- Qualitative determination of synthetic cannabinoids in urine
- Antibody identifies naphthoylindole metabolites
- Detection of the majority of synthetic cannabinoid compounds, e.g. JWH-018, JWH-073, AM-2201 and their free and conjugated metabolites
- Liquid, ready-to-use reagents, calibrators and controls – no need for reconstitution
- Application protocols for all major clinical chemistry analysers
- Packaging tailored for your laboratory's needs

### Background

For the past several years, smokeable herbal mixtures known under various brand names, mostly as 'Spice' or 'K2', have become easily accessible on the Internet and in various specialised shops. Their content design implies that their psychotropic, cannabis-like effect is caused by special natural and 'exotic' herbs such as Beach Bean, Blue Lotus Flower, Dwarf Skullcap, Skullcap Indian Warrior, Indian Lotus and the like.

In reality, the psychotropic effects are induced by synthetic cannabinoids such as JWH-018 (1-pentyl-3(1-naphthoyl)indole) and its analogues that have been added to the herbal mixtures. These synthetic substances act as full agonists at both the CB1 and CB2 cannabinoid receptors of the Endocannabinoid System (ECS), thus mimicking the

psychoactive effects of cannabis (THC =  $\Delta^9$ -tetrahydrocannabinol). Synthetic cannabinoids have been developed over the past 40 years as potential pharmaceutical agents in pain management. However, most of the synthetic cannabinoids are by far more potent than THC, in some case up to 800 times. Because of the resulting high potential of abuse, "Spice" products have become illegal in most countries, thus creating a need to screen for these substances.

With the 1<sup>st</sup> Homogeneous Enzyme Immunoassay for Synthetic Cannabinoids, Immunalysis and Specialty Diagnostics provide a means to help stay ahead of the rapidly changing development of new designer cannabinoids.





## Cross-Reactivities

Analyte	Concentration (ng/mL)	Cross-Reactivity (%)
JWH-018 Pentanoic Acid	20	100
JWH-018 N5 Hydroxypentyl	18	111
JWH-018 4-Hydroxyindole	125	16
JWH-018 4-Hydroxyindole	80	25
AM-2201 N4-Hydroxypentyl	18	111
AM-2201 6-Hydroxyindole	25	80
JWH-073 N4 Hydroxybutyl	20	100
JWH-073 6-Hydroxyindole	18	111
JWH-073 N-Butanoic Acid	20	100
JWH-007	40	50
JWH-015	30	67
JWH-018	25	80
JWH-019	25	80
JWH-022	30	67
JWH-073	25	80
JWH-081	4 500	0.4
JWH-122	150	13.3
JWH-200	25	80
JWH-201	100 000	< 0.05
JWH-250	2 500	0.8
JWH-398	350	5.7
AM-2201	25	80
3-(1 naphthoyl)1-H-indole	25	80

## Ordering Information

Reagents	Size	Order No.
K2 (Synthetic Cannabinoids-1) Assay	25 mL	344-0025EX
	60 mL	344-0060WEX
	100 mL	344-0100EX
Calibrators		
JWH-018 Pentanoic Acid Calibrator, 20 ng/mL	1 x 10 mL	10004EX
JWH-018 Pentanoic Acid Calibrator, 10 ng/mL	1 x 10 mL	10005EX
Controls		
JWH-018 Pentanoic Acid Urine Control Set, 10 ng/mL Low & 30 ng/mL High	2 x 10 mL	3002EX
JWH-018 Pentanoic Acid Urine Control Set, 5 ng/mL Low & 15 ng/mL High		

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