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Development of a method for high-throughput targeted quantitative metabolomics analyses and its applications in medical systems biology

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Metabolics is a field of science, which aims at the comprehensive quantitative analysis of all the metabolites in any biological system or a specific physiological state. Quantifying broad range of targeted metabolites in a sample provides the "functional readout" of a cellular phenotype. We have developed and validated a high throughput quantitative method for targeted metabolite profiling of 94 metabolites across 15 different classes of metabolites in a single run with as much coverage of metabolites as possible. Our developed method has an ability to detect large number of polar metabolites in low and high concentrations in a single analysis. We have also optimized our method for different biological sample types, serum/plasma, tissues, cells, and *C.elegans*. This targeted metabolite profiling method has high potential for the discovery of biomarkers for the disease risk.

Biography

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