

Status of Availability of FDA 510(k) Cleared Assays

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Laboratory Decisions for Oral Fluid Testing

- Type of collection device
 - Neat
 - Buffered
- Screening technology
 - Immunoassay
 - Alternate technology
- Confirmation technology
 - GC-MS(/MS)
 - LC-MS(/MS)

Agenda

- Collection Devices
- 'Oral Fluid Math'
- Commercial Immunoassays
- Q&A

Collection Devices

Options for Oral Fluid Sample Collection

Expectorated oral fluid (drooling, spitting)

- Potential issues with hygiene, frothing, speed and drug stability



Collection devices with pad only

- May not have volume indicator
- Additional laboratory sample preparation to remove drug from pad



Collection devices with pad and buffer

- Some devices indicate when adequate volume has been collected
- Stabilizes drugs during transportation
- Removes drug from the collection pad
- Prevents bacterial growth in biological specimens



Devices Marketed to Collect Oral Fluid

- Finger Collector
- Oral Diffusion Sink
- Oral-Eze®
- ORALscreen™
- OraSure® / Intercept® / i2HE®
- Proflow Sialometer
- Salivette
- Quantisal™ / Quantisal™ II
- Versi ·SAL™

Oral Fluid Specimen Collection Devices

- Types of oral fluid collections
 - “Neat” – i.e., undiluted/no buffer preservative solution
 - “Buffered” – i.e., device incorporates a buffer preservative solution (BPS)
- Oral Fluid collection device must meet FDA, HHS, and DOT specifications
 - Generally, “neat” devices are Class-1 (like urine kits) and “buffered” devices are Class-II Medical Devices (FDA)
 - HHS does not require FDA 510(k) Clearance (but....)
- For Regulated testing, a “Split” collection is required
 - HHS: “Split” → Bilateral/simultaneous or Sequential (<2 min interval) collection
 - ❑ Buffered - Single (simultaneous or sequential) pads or dual **(joined)** pads placed in same region of oral cavity, then subdivided into two separate containers
 - ❑ Neat - – oral fluid is collected and split
 - May be a device that directs OF into two separate containers
 - DOT: Specimen must be “subdivided”
 - ❑ Buffered – Two different swabs that are adjacent to one another in oral cavity
 - ❑ Neat – oral fluid is collected and split
 - May be a device that directs OF into two separate containers

Oral Fluid Collection Device Requirements (Regulated)

- Minimum 1 mL undiluted (“Neat”) each, or other volume acceptable to NLCP required, for each “A” & “B” specimen
 - Specimen adequacy (volume) indicator required
 - If “Buffered”, accuracy within +/-10%
- Specimen tube sufficiently transparent to assess volume and contents
- Tamper-evident seal must not obscure expiration date
- Components that ensure pre-analytical drug and drug metabolite stability
 - Stability ($\geq 80\%$) of the drugs and/or drug metabolites for at least five days at room temperature (18-25 °C)
- Components that do not substantially affect the composition of drugs and/or drug metabolites in the oral fluid specimen
 - Recover $\geq 80\%$ (but no more than 120%) of drug and/or drug metabolite in the undiluted (“neat”) oral fluid at (or near) the initial test cutoff listed in the drug testing panel.
- Must be approved by HHS/NLCP for use by specified laboratory
 - NLCP requires laboratories to also verify: collection volume, diluent fill volume (if buffered), drug recovery and stability and cannot rely on manufacturer’s FDA-clearance

Oral Fluid ‘Math’

Buffered Collection Systems

Cutoffs / Dilution Factors

- Two way to express cutoffs
 - “Diluted” – *i.e.*, without correction for dilution factor with BPS
 - ❑ *e.g.*, Intercept® (no sample adequacy indicator)
 - ❑ Listed as concentration in the **specimen tube** after dilution with BPS
 - “Neat” – *i.e.*, with correction for dilution factor with BPS
 - ❑ *e.g.*, Intercept® i2HE™, Oral-Eze®, Quantisal™, Quantisal™ II (all have 1 mL indicator)
 - ❑ Listed as concentration in oral fluid in the **oral cavity** prior to dilution with BPS
 - Concentration in the specimen tube is lower, by the dilution factor, than that in the oral cavity
 - Assay requirements are driven by the concentration in specimen tube
 - ❑ HHS/DOT cutoffs listed as “neat”
 - ❑ Enables consistent cutoff and comparability irrespective of device/system used
- Dilution factors
 - 3x - Intercept® i2HE™, Oral-Eze® (1 mL oral fluid + 2 mL BPS)
 - 4x – Quantisal™, Quantisal™ II (1 mL oral fluid + 3 mL BPS)

Buffered Collection Systems

Immunoassay Labelling

- “Neat” testing systems
 - Assay labelling expressed in “**neat**” concentrations
 - Calibrator (and control) may be labelled at “**neat**” equivalent concentration or at “**diluted**” (i.e., ‘weighed-in’ amount) concentration
 - e.g., for an opiate assay with a 30 ng/mL cutoff labelling calibrators at a “**diluted**” concentration
 - ▢ Assay package insert (IFU) is 30 ng/mL
 - ▢ Listed calibrator concentration for a 3x dilution system is 10 ng/mL
 - ▢ Listed calibrator concentration for a 4x dilution system is 7.5 ng/mL
- “Diluted” testing systems
 - Assay and calibrator (and control) labelling expressed as “**diluted**” concentrations
 - Not directly comparable with “Neat” systems!

Buffered Collection Systems

Confirmatory/Alternate Technology Testing

- Laboratories using buffered devices **without** a sample adequacy indicator generally use diluted concentrations and don't correct for dilution factor based on nominal volume collected
- Laboratories using buffered devices **with** a sample adequacy indicator may:
 - Utilize a “dilution factor” (corresponding to device used) for both calibrators and unknowns
 - ▣ Complicates the dilution factor math with high concentration samples requiring dilution
 - Prepare calibrators and controls at diluted concentrations and label it at “neat” equivalent concentrations
 - ▣ Similar approach as immunoassay test systems
 - ▣ Eliminates need for dilution factor on all samples
 - Only diluted high concentration samples have a dilution factor
 - ▣ Complicates using the same assay/calibration scheme if laboratory processes devices with different inherent dilution factors with BPS!

Commercially Available Oral Fluid Immunoassays

FDA Requirements

- FDA clears immunoassay test systems with a specified collection device
 - Cannot “mix and match” collection devices with different reagent systems
- Mandatory Guidelines do not require FDA clearance for initial (urine or oral fluid) testing reagents (10/2017) or oral fluid collection devices (10/2023)
- Non-Regulated testing (“E&I” labelling, **82 FR 31976**, 7/11/2017)
 - Does not require 510(k) clearance for all **current** analytes other than PCP when used for employment and insurance testing purposes
 - Limited to specified ‘Product Codes’
- Regulated testing requires 510(k)
 - E&I limitation:
*Exemption is limited to test systems intended for employment and insurance testing that include a statement in their labeling that the device is intended solely for use in employment and insurance testing, and **does not include test systems intended for Federal drug testing programs (e.g., programs run by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Department of Transportation (DOT), and the U.S. military.)***
- Forensic Use Only (FUO)
 - Devices designed to be used **only** for criminal justice (e.g., probation/parole, court-ordered) testing
- Timeline for assay development
 - 510(k) cleared: 2-4 years, depending on antibody availability
 - E&I labelled, 1-1.5 years faster

IA Testing Systems

Collector	OFMG	Intercept [®]	Intercept [®]	i2he [™] (FUO)	Oral-Eze [®]	Quantisal [™]	Quantisal [™] / Quantisal [™] II
Adequacy Indicator		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Assay Manufacturer		OraSure	OraSure	Thermo Fisher	Thermo Fisher	Immunoanalysis	Immunoanalysis
Technology		ELISA	ELISA	CEDIA [™] (FUO)	CEDIA [™]	HEIA ^{FUO}	SEFRIA [™]
Cutoff Listed as Neat/Diluted (Factor)	Neat	Diluted (X3)	Nominal Neat Equivalent (X3)	Neat (X3)	Neat (X3)	Neat (X4)	Neat (X4)
Marijuana	4	1*	3*	3*	3*	8* ¹	4 ⁺ (HEIA)
Cocaine / Benzoyllecgonine	15	5*	15*	15 [◇]	15 [‡]	20*	15 ⁺
Opiates (Codeine / Morphine)	30	10*	30*	30 [◇]	30 [‡]	40*	30 ⁺
Opiates (Hydrocodone / Hydromorphone)	30	△	△	△	△	△	30 ⁺
Opiates (Oxycodone / Oxymorphone)	30	△	△	30 [◇]	30 [◇] FUO	△	30 [‡]
6-AM	4	△	△	△	△	△	4 ⁺
Phencyclidine (PCP)	10	1*	3*	3*	3*	10 [◇]	10 [‡]
Amphetamine	50	100*	300*	150*	150*	50 [◇]	50 ⁺
Methamphetamine	50	40*	120*	120*	120*	50 [◇]	50 [‡]
MDMA/MDA	50	△	△	△	△	△	50 ⁺

*	Not Compliant with HHS &/or FDA Requirements
◇	Not Compliant with FDA Requirements - Correct Cutoff
+	E&I Listed - Correct Cutoff
‡	FDA Cleared - Correct Cutoff
△	Not Available

¹ Cutoff and color corrected June 6, 2024

Current Status of Federally-Mandated Immunoassay Screening

- While there is likely one FDA-cleared, buffered collection system that meets HHS/DOT requirements, it is not yet commercially available
- Not all HHS analytes have FDA-clearance for the paired immunoassay test system
 - Currently, only three 510(k) cleared OF assays at SAMHSA cutoffs
 - The other seven (7) assays are E&I labelled and have been commercialized for non-regulated testing
 - Some labs may opt for neat/unbuffered systems (using Alternate Technology for Initial Testing) which still require extensive validation

Q & A

Thank You!



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