# The use of Solid Phase Extraction (SPE) for detection Methylphenidate and Ritalinic Acid in small volume plasma samples

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This methology describes an extraction of Methylphenidate (MPH) and Ritalinic Acid (RA), from plasma using solid-phase extraction (SPE), followed by syliation reaction. In addition an ion chromatographic method was developed for the specific GC determination of MPH and RA. Treated plasma samples were passed through SPE cartridge with Hydrophilic-Lipophilic-Balanced (HLB) sorbent to retain and elute target analytes. Using N-Methyl-N-(trimethylsilyl)trifluoroacetamide (MSTFA) and N-Methyl-bis(trifluoroacetamide) (MBTFA) reagents, eluent was derivatized and the non-polar product was further analyzed using GC-MS. A calibration curve for MPH and RA was constructed in the range 2-250 ug/mL. The SPE resulted in higher extraction recovery (mean x %) with % R.S.D.s similar in both matrix and solvent x%0, respectively).

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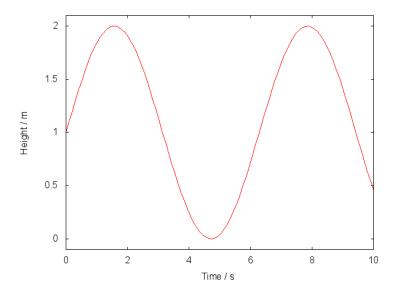
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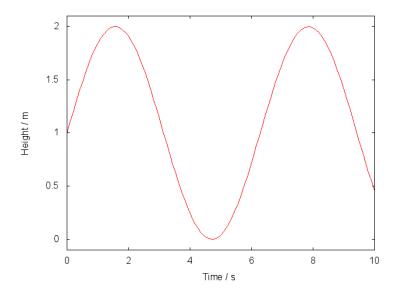
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