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# Developing a Fast Ultra-High-Performance Liquid Chromatography–Tandem Mass Spectrometry Method for High-Throughput Surface Contamination Monitoring of 26 Antineoplastic Drugs

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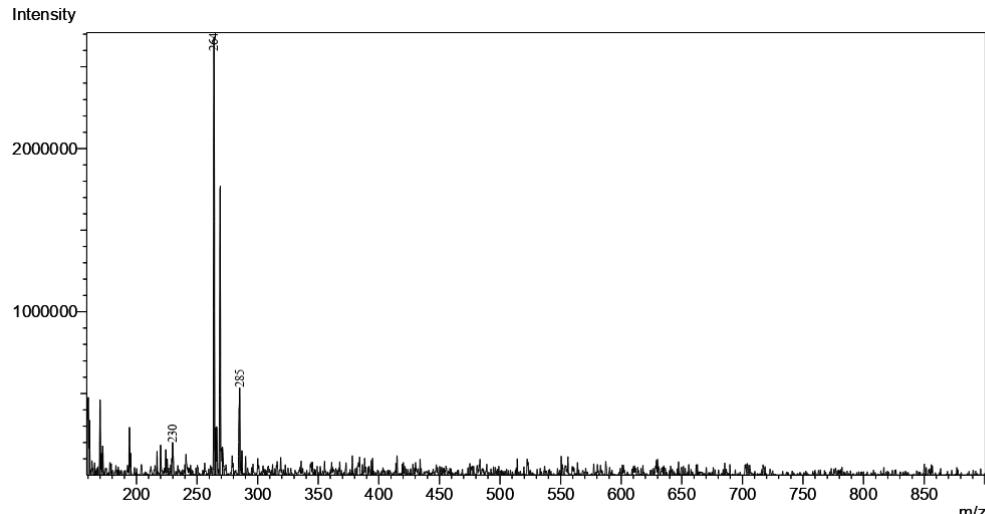
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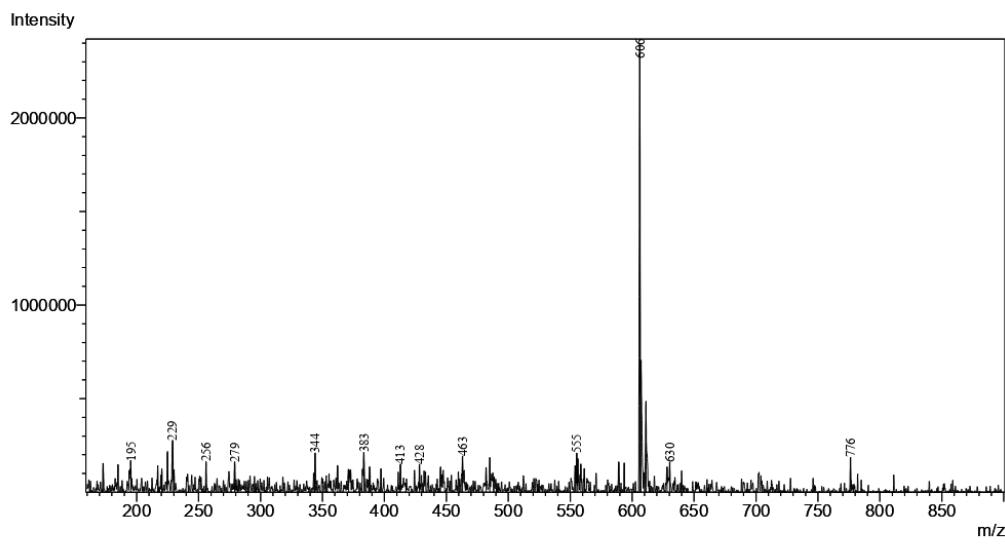
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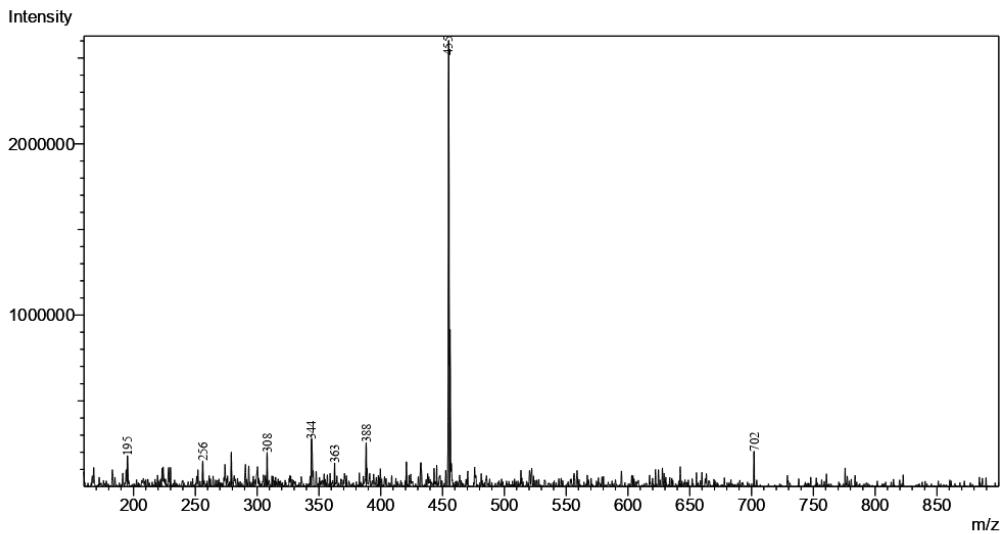
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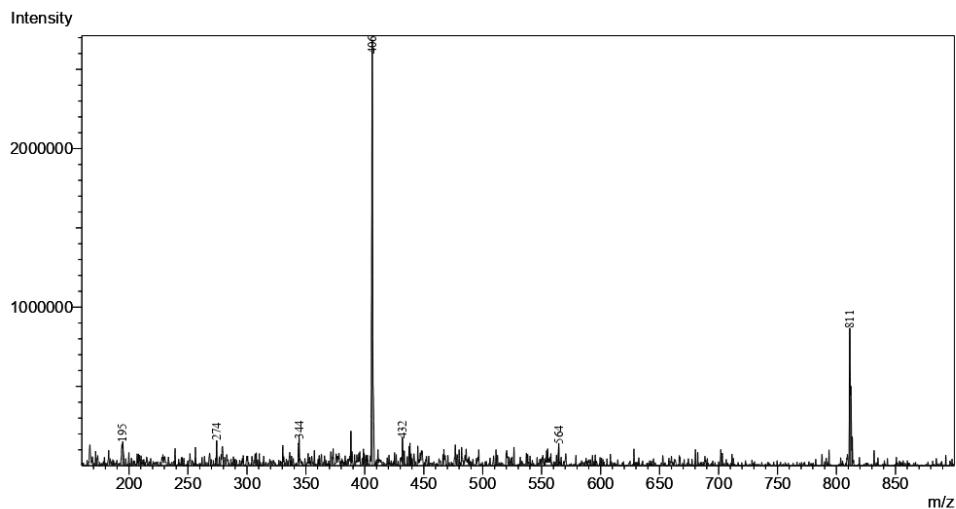
**Figure S1.** Busulfan mass spectrum obtained by scan mode.



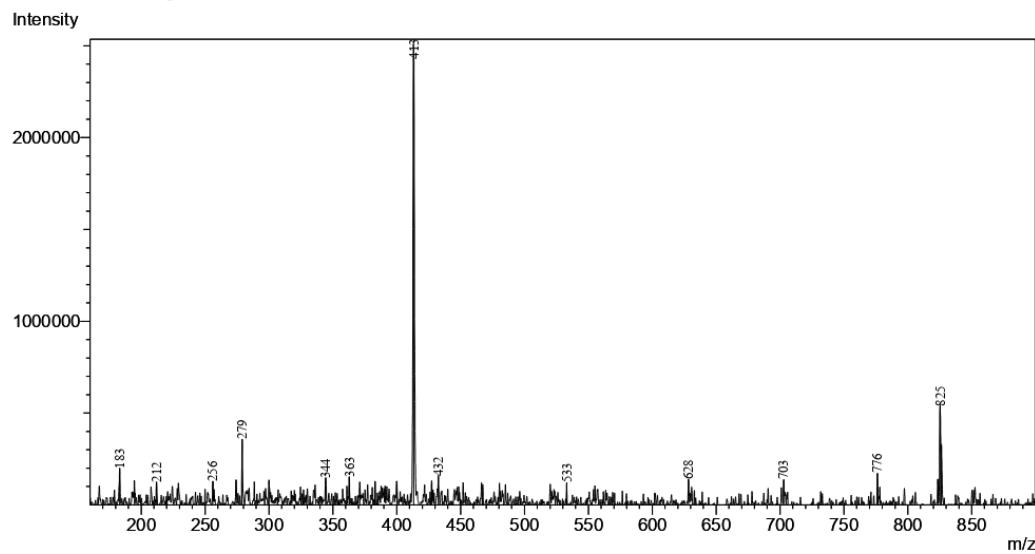
**Figure S2.** Etoposide mass spectrum obtained by scan mode.



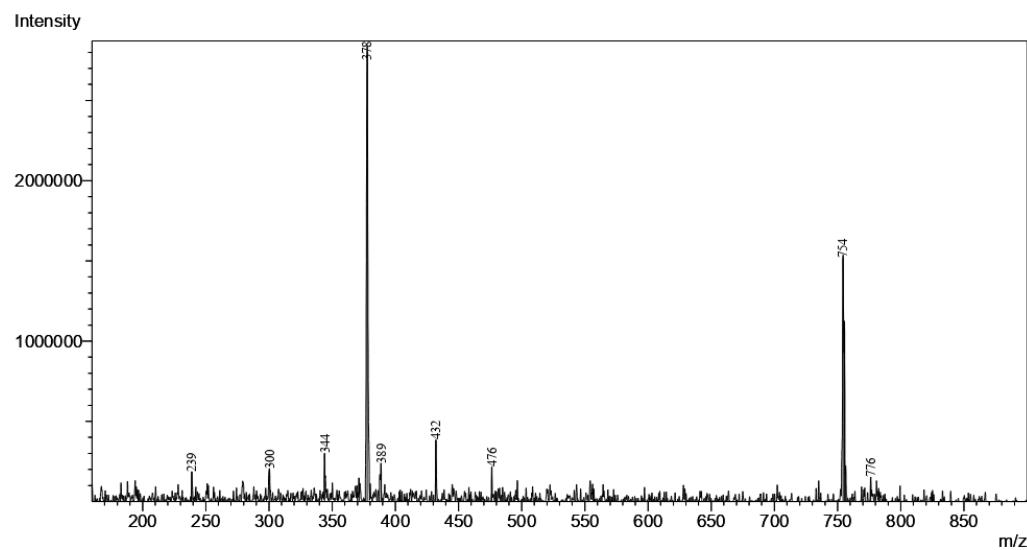
**Figure S3.** Methotrexate mass spectrum obtained by scan mode.



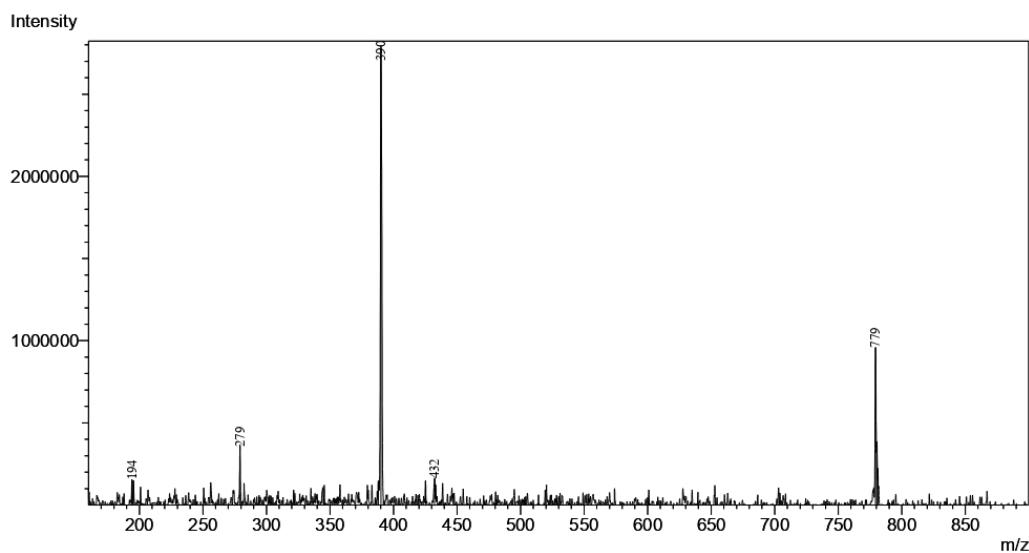
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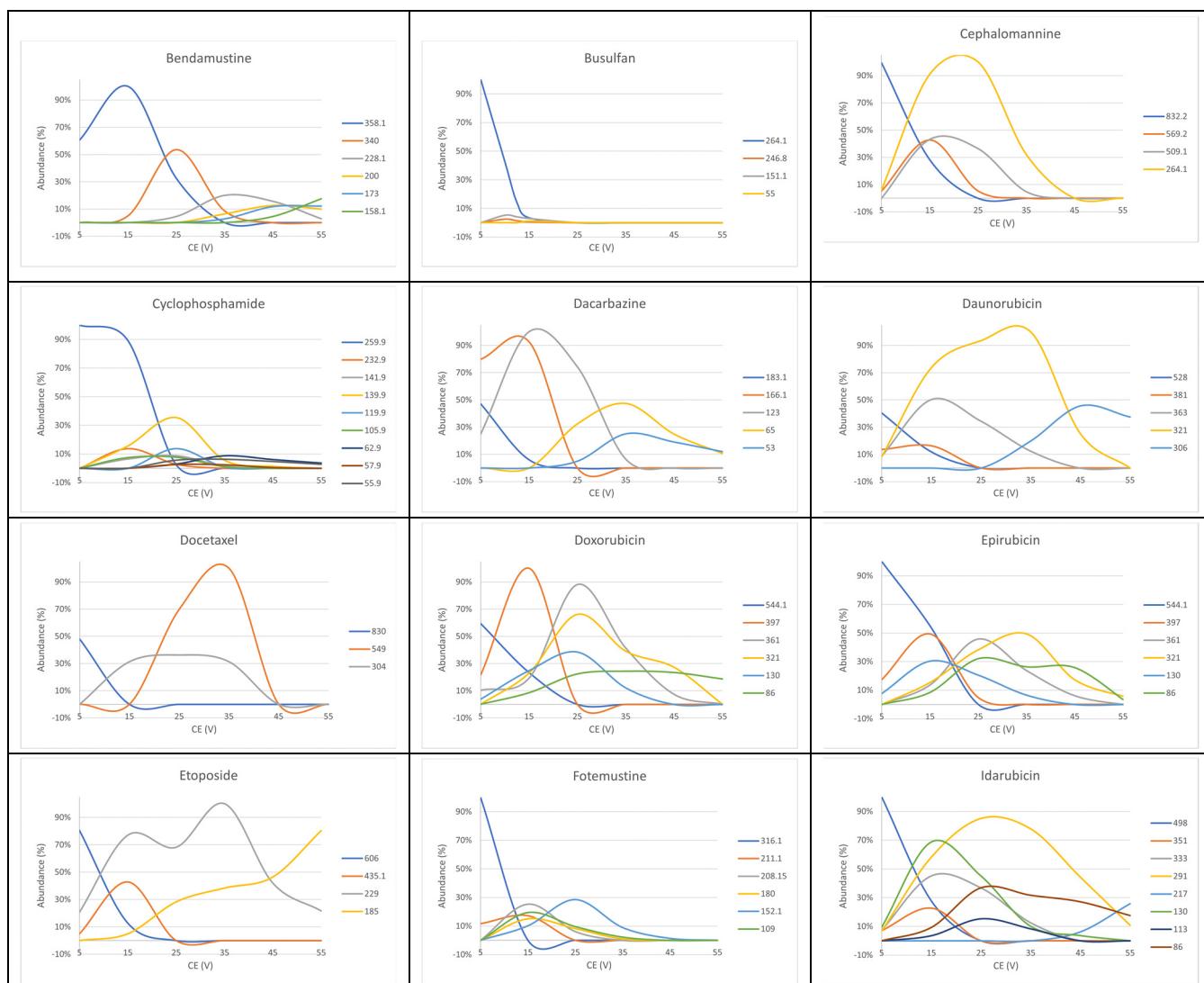
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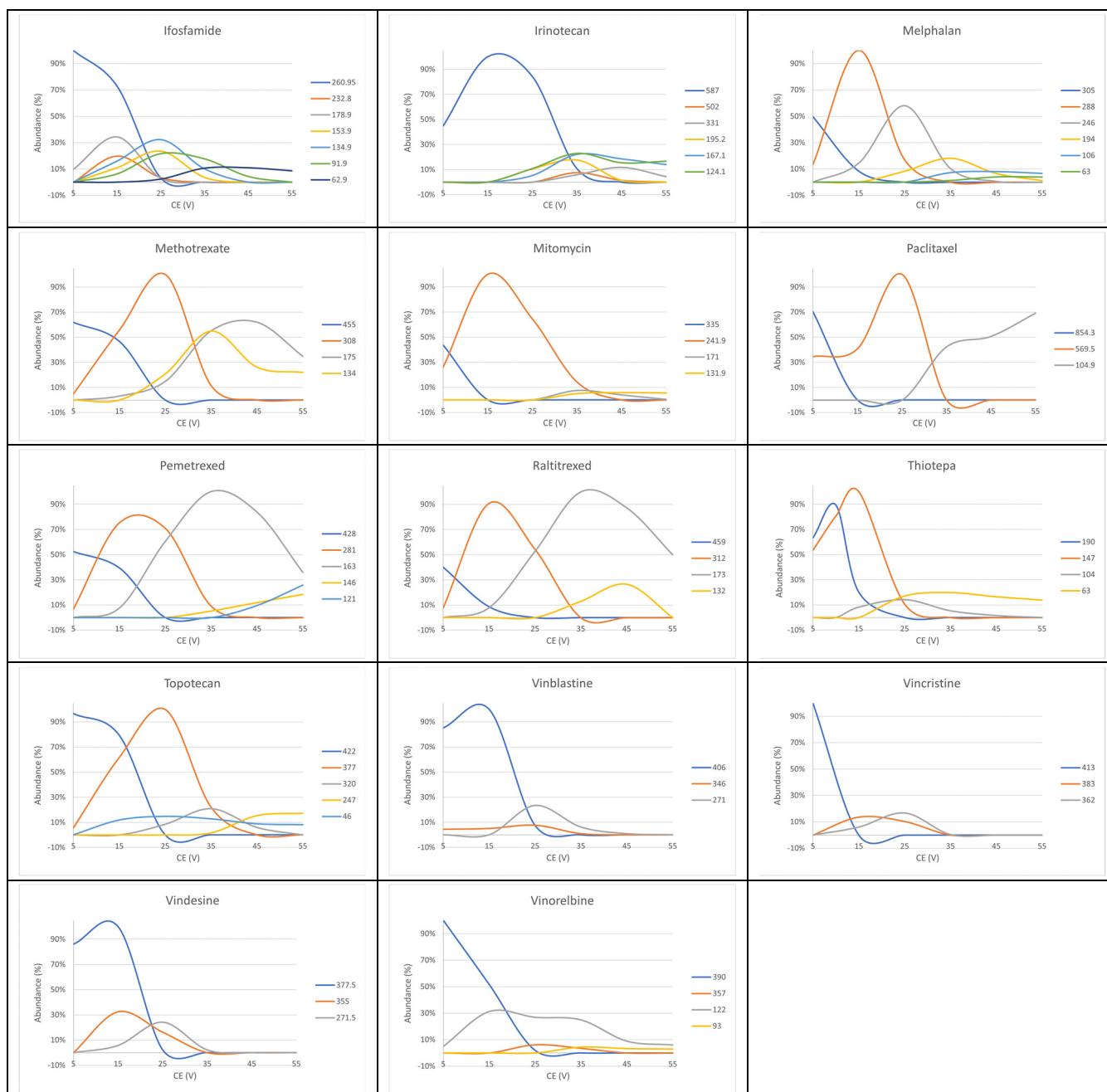


**Figure S6.** Vindesine mass spectrum obtained by scan mode.



**Figure S7.** Vinorelbine mass spectrum obtained by scan mode.





**Figure S8.** Collision breakdown curves obtained from PIS analysis reporting collision energy CE (V) versus percentage abundance. The listed values reported in each spectra legend are respectively precursor and product ions.

**Table S1.** Linear regression data,  $R^2$ , LOD, and LOQ of each analyte.

Compound	Interday			LOD (ng/mL)	LOQ (ng/mL)
	Slope (PAR/ng/mL)	Intercept (PAR)	$R^2$		
Fotemustine	2.066	-0.146	0.9981	0.010	0.036
Dacarbazine	3.793	-1.625	0.9972	0.014	0.044
Busulfan	0.325	0.581	0.9942	0.029	0.094
Methotrexate	11.539	1.669	0.9982	0.007	0.024
Mitomycin C	5.156	0.350	0.9977	0.005	0.017
Topotecan	4.790	-0.447	0.9978	0.010	0.034
Pemetrexed	0.404	0.093	0.9972	0.026	0.087
Vindesine	0.691	-1.480	0.9808	1.501	5.714
Raltitrexed	2.069	-2.013	0.9954	0.041	0.081
Ifosfamide	2.126	1.310	0.9975	0.011	0.035

Cyclophosphamide	3.127	1.885	0.9971	0.009	0.034
Irinotecan	1.053	-0.313	0.9968	0.016	0.055
Melphalan	0.105	0.006	0.9964	0.060	0.181
Vincristine	0.303	-0.132	0.9970	0.047	0.156
Vinblastine	0.063	-0.132	0.9914	0.136	0.440
Doxorubicin	0.159	0.004	0.9953	0.039	0.116
Etoposide	1.787	1.899	0.9967	0.067	0.213
Epirubicin	0.145	-0.022	0.9973	0.036	0.107
Vinorelbine	0.391	-0.210	0.9966	0.018	0.057
Daunorubicin	0.070	-0.044	0.9958	0.172	0.552
Idarubicin	0.039	-0.026	0.9953	0.206	0.618
Tamoxifen	0.296	-0.141	0.9981	0.028	0.075
Docetaxel	0.004	-0.003	0.9796	0.862	2.587
Paclitaxel	0.083	0.011	0.9963	0.062	0.185
Thiotepa	1.861	0.708	0.9976	0.014	0.046
Bendamustine	5.635	-2.576	0.9959	0.008	0.024
<b>Intraday</b>					
Fotemustine	1.980	-0.690	0.997	0.008	0.023
Dacarbazine	3.520	-2.155	0.996	0.007	0.022
Busulfan	0.291	0.488	0.997	0.069	0.206
Methotrexate	11.391	-0.271	0.997	0.005	0.014
Mitomycin C	4.755	-0.597	0.997	0.004	0.013
Topotecan	4.174	-0.760	0.997	0.007	0.021
Pemetrexed	0.353	0.242	0.998	0.044	0.133
Vindesine	0.643	-1.690	0.975	0.827	2.480
Raltitrexed	1.872	-1.298	0.992	0.070	0.210
Ifosfamide	1.877	0.989	0.996	0.004	0.011
Cyclophosphamide	2.809	1.472	0.995	0.007	0.021
Irinotecan	0.998	-0.452	0.993	0.020	0.060
Melphalan	0.090	0.010	0.994	0.064	0.193
Vincristine	0.282	-0.055	0.993	0.071	0.212
Vinblastine	0.057	-0.095	0.989	0.191	0.572
Doxorubicin	0.141	-0.018	0.995	0.066	0.197
Etoposide	1.581	1.850	0.998	0.087	0.262
Epirubicin	0.139	-0.063	0.993	0.144	0.431
Vinorelbine	0.363	-0.196	0.994	0.055	0.164
Daunorubicin	0.061	-0.037	0.995	0.325	0.974
Idarubicin	0.037	-0.030	0.994	0.070	0.209
Tamoxifen	0.352	-0.051	0.999	0.036	0.109
Docetaxel	0.004	0.001	0.992	0.746	2.239
Paclitaxel	0.071	0.005	0.993	0.066	0.198
Thiotepa	1.714	0.670	0.996	0.012	0.035
Bendamustine	5.498	-1.960	0.995	0.004	0.011

**Table S2.** Matrix effect values computed for each analyte.

CompoundTable Header	ME
Fotemustine	96%
Dacarbazine	95%
Busulfan	93%
Methotrexate	109%
Mitomycin C	92%
Topotecan	95%
Pemetrexed	96%
Vindesine	181%
Raltitrexed	102%
Ifosfamide	95%
Cyclophosphamide	95%
Irinotecan	95%
Melphalan	107%
Vincristine	89%

Vinblastine	131%
Doxorubicin	96%
Etoposide	92%
Epirubicin	105%
Vinorelbine	94%
Daunorubicin	95%
Idarubicin	106%
Tamoxifen	86%
Docetaxel	342%
Paclitaxel	103%
Thiotepa	93%
Bendamustine	92%

**Table S3.** Precision and accuracy values computed for the three quality control levels.

Compound	Interday					
	Low		Medium		High	
	Precision	Accuracy	Precision	Accuracy	Precision	Accuracy
Fotemustine	5.8%	103.4%	5.6%	97.3%	5.8%	100.4%
Dacarbazine	5.2%	110.7%	4.0%	97.9%	5.7%	100.2%
Busulfan	5.5%	109.0%	5.8%	106.0%	6.2%	98.9%
Methotrexate	4.3%	110.1%	4.0%	104.1%	6.0%	102.6%
Mitomycin C	4.0%	109.7%	4.3%	104.3%	6.8%	101.1%
Topotecan	6.6%	109.0%	6.3%	100.3%	6.6%	100.4%
Pemetrexed	9.5%	109.1%	4.4%	105.6%	4.5%	102.4%
Vindesine	9.6%	113.9%	12.1%	83.1%	9.1%	88.2%
Raltitrexed	6.5%	106.3%	4.3%	101.8%	5.7%	105.4%
Ifosfamide	7.1%	109.0%	4.9%	101.7%	5.4%	101.2%
Cyclophosphamid e	5.8%	106.2%	6.1%	101.8%	6.1%	102.9%
Irinotecan	5.6%	111.0%	5.6%	98.9%	4.9%	100.3%
Melphalan	8.6%	105.8%	6.6%	98.7%	6.2%	100.9%
Vincristine	7.3%	102.3%	6.5%	98.8%	7.5%	101.6%
Vinblastine	9.2%	102.3%	4.9%	96.0%	6.0%	100.1%
Doxorubicin	8.8%	106.4%	5.9%	98.0%	7.2%	96.6%
Etoposide	5.8%	110.4%	5.1%	105.4%	7.5%	104.0%
Epirubicin	5.9%	111.7%	5.6%	97.7%	7.0%	99.4%
Vinorelbine	7.2%	107.5%	4.7%	99.6%	5.2%	100.1%
Daunorubicin	6.0%	113.5%	5.3%	98.9%	6.8%	101.8%
Idarubicin	8.6%	106.1%	7.8%	94.4%	6.4%	101.3%
Tamoxifen	9.4%	97.8%	7.8%	101.9%	7.9%	98.2%
Docetaxel	21.7%	99.8%	14.0%	98.8%	13.2%	112.4%
Paclitaxel	10.5%	112.3%	4.2%	99.9%	6.7%	101.7%
Thiotepa	6.3%	107.2%	4.6%	100.2%	5.6%	99.2%
Bendamustine	10.2%	97.6%	7.5%	97.4%	8.5%	96.6%
Intraday						
Compound	Low		Medium		High	
	Precision	Accuracy	Precision	Accuracy	Precision	Accuracy
Fotemustine	6.8%	101.9%	8.4%	95.6%	6.2%	100.2%
Dacarbazine	6.5%	108.0%	6.3%	96.4%	5.1%	96.8%
Busulfan	6.5%	109.0%	7.7%	99.9%	5.0%	97.4%
Methotrexate	5.6%	107.4%	5.7%	97.6%	3.0%	99.1%
Mitomycin C	7.5%	103.8%	3.2%	100.6%	3.5%	99.2%
Topotecan	10.9%	105.1%	6.4%	100.2%	6.4%	96.5%
Pemetrexed	8.3%	107.5%	5.2%	99.1%	3.4%	98.8%
Vindesine	7.3%	110%	19.1%	83%	11.0%	99%
Raltitrexed	9.1%	104.9%	4.7%	96.0%	2.8%	100.0%

Ifosfamide	9.4%	107.1%	6.9%	98.6%	4.7%	97.5%
Cyclophosphamid e	8.1%	110.1%	7.6%	98.5%	3.6%	99.5%
Irinotecan	12.4%	109.6%	7.1%	97.1%	3.8%	97.9%
Melphalan	12.9%	104.9%	8.2%	100.9%	5.7%	96.0%
Vincristine	7.6%	107.8%	6.7%	96.2%	4.0%	95.5%
Vinblastine	6.8%	96.8%	6.1%	92.5%	4.5%	96.9%
Doxorubicin	9.2%	101.1%	6.6%	94.7%	3.6%	95.4%
Etoposide	8.0%	102.4%	5.4%	101.0%	4.4%	101.7%
Epirubicin	7.9%	103.6%	7.0%	93.3%	5.7%	97.4%
Vinorelbine	10.4%	105.7%	5.8%	95.1%	3.0%	97.9%
Daunorubicin	10.1%	110.8%	2.2%	91.1%	5.4%	97.1%
Idarubicin	6.9%	112.2%	14.5%	95.1%	5.1%	100.9%
Tamoxifen	11.3%	97.1%	7.1%	107.3%	8.5%	104.6%
Docetaxel	12.6%	103.3%	15.7%	93.9%	15.5%	101.3%
Paclitaxel	8.3%	105.0%	5.3%	96.3%	5.7%	99.0%
Thiotepa	11.1%	106.6%	7.6%	98.1%	5.9%	97.3%
Bendamustine	12.6%	104.2%	6.7%	105.0%	13.1%	95.5%