

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

**Analysis of neurochemicals by capillary
electrophoresis in athlete's urine and a pilot study of
their changes responding to sport fatigue**

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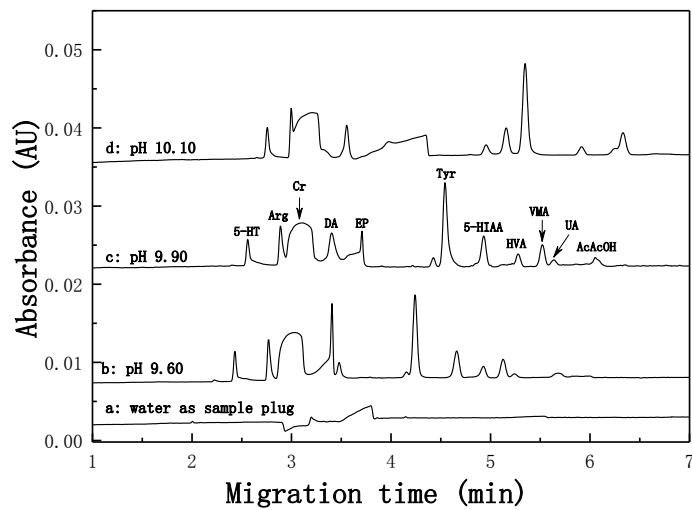


Fig. S1. Electropherograms of 11 mixtures at different BGE pH . BGE was 12.5 mmol/L $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_4\text{O}_7$, whose pH was adjusted by 0.1 mol/L NaOH. The concentrations of 5-HT, Arg, Cre, DA, EP, Tyr, 5-HIAA, HVA, VMA, UA, AcAcOH were at 10.0, 50.0, 120.0, 10.0, 5.0, 20.0, 8.0, 2.0, 5.0, 1.5, 100.0 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$, respectively. Detection wavelength: 200 nm. Injection: 0.5 psi at 20 s. Separation voltage: +25 kV.

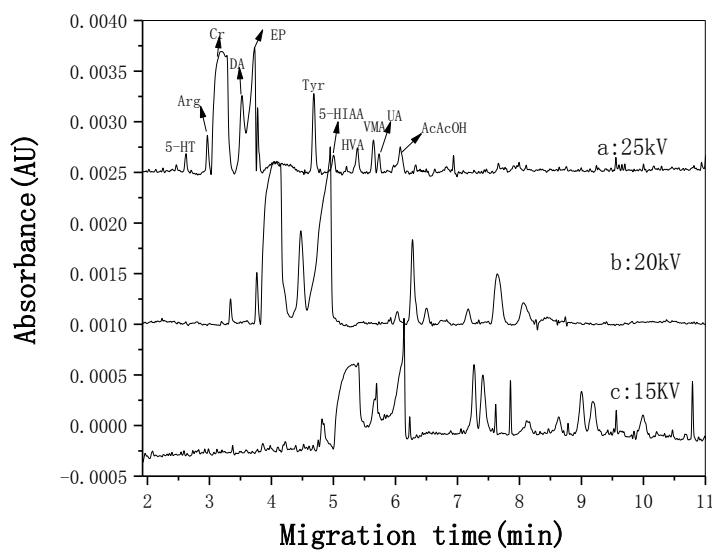


Fig. S2. Electropherograms of 11 mixtures at different separation voltage. BGE was 12.5 mmol / L Na₂B₄O₇, pH : 9.90. (a) 25 kV, (b) 20 kV, (c) 15 kV. The concentrations of 5-HT, Arg, Cre, DA, EP, Tyr, 5-HIAA, HVA, VMA, UA, AcAcOH were at 0.8, 4.0, 75.0, 2.7, 1.2, 1.6, 0.6, 0.16, 0.4, 0.64, 1.6 μmol/ L, respectively. Detection wavelength: 200 nm. Injection: 0.5 psi at 20 s. Separation voltage: +25 kV.

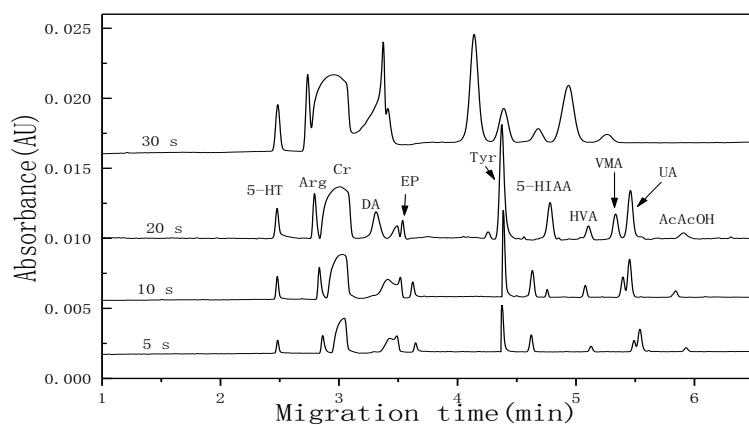


Fig.S3 Electropherograms of 11 mixtures at different injection time. Injection: 0.5 psi from 5 s to 30s.BGE was 12.5 mmol/L Na₂B₄O₇, pH = 9.9. The concentrations of 5-HT, Arg, Cre, DA, EP, Tyr, 5-HIAA, HVA, VMA, UA, AcAcOH were at 10.0, 50.0, 120.0, 10.0, 5.0, 20.0, 8.0, 2.0, 5.0, 1.5, 100.0 μmol/L.respectively. Other conditions are were as described in optimization of CE conditions.

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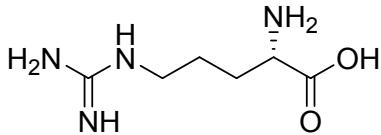
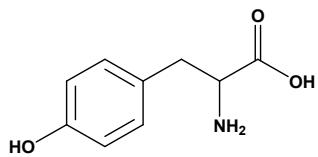
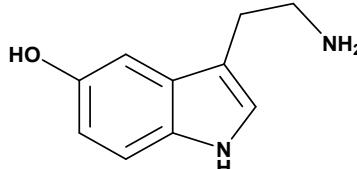
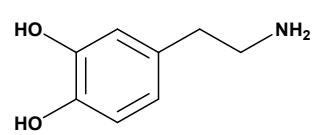
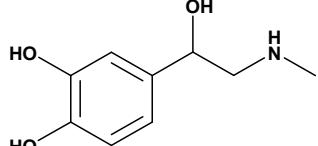
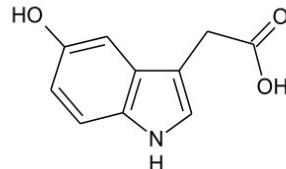
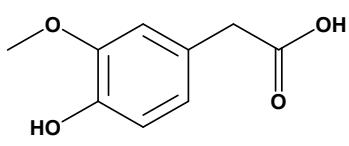
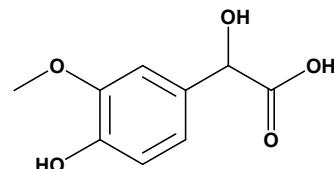
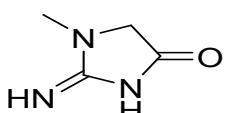
| Neurochemicals | Structures | Molar mass (g /mol) | pK a* |
|---|---|-------------------------|----------------|
| Arginine (Arg) |  | 174.2 | 2.17;9.04;12.5 |
| Tyrosine (Tyr) |  | 181.19 | 5.65 |
| Serotonin (5-HT) |  | 212.68 | 9.8;11.1 |
| Dopamine (DA) |  | 153.18 | 8.9;10.6;13.1 |
| Epinephrine (EP) |  | 183.2 | 8.66;9.95 |
| 5-hydroxy-3-indoleacetic acid (5-HIAA) |  | 191.18 | ND* |
| Homovanillic acid (HVA) |  | 182.17 | 4.41;10.52 |
| vanilla mandelic acid (VMA) |  | 198.17 | 3.41 |
| Creatinine(Cre) |  | 113.12 | 4.84;9.20 |

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| Neurochemicals | Structures | Molar mass (g /mol) | pK a* |
|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Uric acid(UA) | | 168.11 | 3.89;5.75;10.3 |
| Acetoacetic acid(AcAcOH) | | 118.09 | 3.58 |

pKa* values obtained from chemicalize.com; ND* = Not defined

Table S2

Comparison of this method with the reported methods for determination of the target neurochemicals in urine samples.

| Analytical methods | Analytes | LODs (ng/mL) | Refs. |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------|
| GC-MS/MS | Tyr, Trp, Glu | 0.02 ~ 11.10 | [31] |
| GC-MS | DOPAC, VMA, DOMA | 0.02 ~ 4.7 | [32] |
| GC-MS/MS-MRM | HVA,MHPG, DOPAC, VMA,5-HIAA, DA | 0.17 ~ 0.60 | [33] |
| GC-MS | HVA,DOPAC, DA, VMA, NMN, NEP, EP, | 0.05 ~ 6.24 | [34] |
| | L-DOPA, | | |
| CE-UV | HA ,Cad, PEA, TA Try, DA,5-HT | 61-411 | [38] |
| CE-LINF | TA, 5-HT, DA , E, VMA, 5-HIAA | 2.33*10 ⁻³ -3.92 | [39] |
| tITP-CZE | DA, TA, Try, 5-HT | 4.41-11.48 | [40] |
| MEKC-LIF | Cad, His, Spd, Tyr | 111.15-1741 | [44] |
| MEKC-LIF | 1,6-Diaminohexane, 2-phenylethylamine, Cad, His,Put, Spd, Spm, TA, Tyr | 0.0735-48.57 | [46] |

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|---------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| CZE-LIF | 5-HT, DA, DOPA, E, NE | 0.0918-0.2693 | [47] |
| CE-UV | TA, 5-HT , 3-MT HMBA , NMN, DA | 4.307-31.248 | [48] |
| | Trp, 5-HIAA, VMA | | |
| | 5-HT, Arg, Cre DA, EP, Tyr | 0.504-169.68 | |
| CE-UV | 5-HIAA,HVA,VMA UA, AcAcOH | | In this work |

Table. S3. Under the different physiological conditions, changes in the content of six neurochemicals

| Volunteer information | | | Biomarker compounds | | | | | |
|---|---------|----|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| (age(Y, year), mental physiology , RPE value) | | | Arg (μmol/L) | DA (μmol/L) | Cre (mmol/L) | HVA (μmol/L) | VMA (μmol/L) | UA (mmol/L) |
| NO.1 | normal | 6 | 477.2 | 27.35 | 8.84 | 72.75 | 95.65 | 0.44 |
| | fatigue | 18 | 281.2 | NF | 8.41 | 74.60 | 58.30 | 0.39 |
| | relaxed | 14 | 423.0 | 25.35 | 10.76 | 51.60 | 84.85 | 0.39 |
| NO.2 | normal | 11 | 285.4 | 15.65 | 7.43 | 51.10 | 37.80 | 0.55 |
| | fatigue | 19 | 210.2 | 14.25 | 7.83 | 55.05 | 49.90 | 0.67 |
| | relaxed | 10 | 277.5 | 23.55 | 8.48 | 64.40 | 78.05 | 0.52 |
| NO.3 | normal | 13 | 294.0 | 20.85 | 12.36 | 48.60 | 95.05 | 1.02 |
| | fatigue | 18 | 111.2 | 17.30 | 5.04 | 65.30 | 144.7 | 0.59 |
| | relaxed | 15 | 247.0 | 13.35 | 11.89 | 39.10 | 98.60 | 0.34 |
| NO.4 | normal | 12 | 208.6 | 18.00 | 9.74 | 29.15 | 67.90 | 1.01 |
| | fatigue | 18 | 109.7 | 13.75 | 6.77 | 31.95 | 56.55 | 0.61 |
| | relaxed | 17 | 105.8 | 13.55 | 6.68 | NF | 56.15 | 0.72 |
| NO.5 | normal | 7 | 124.4 | 16.40 | 9.68 | 27.60 | 73.95 | 1.00 |
| | fatigue | 14 | 111.2 | 19.70 | 7.61 | 28.40 | 74.20 | 0.36 |
| | relaxed | 9 | 174.6 | 22.35 | 7.04 | 30.70 | 69.95 | 0.59 |