### C-14 Fluroxypyr Acid Metabolism Extraction Protocol

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Solvents:

**Extraction solution:** 90% Water + 9% Acetonitrile + 1% Acetic Acid

Materials:

Glass test tubes + tissue grinder Test tube caps Ciro Tubes (plastic) 500 uL Pipette Scintillation Vials

Liquid N

Vacuum Manifold supplies

#### **Treated Leaf Tissue**

- 1. Remove the treated leaf from the plant and wash in 10 ml of 90/10 water/MEOH or ACN plus 0.25% NIS using the vortex mixer in a 20 ml scintillation vial.
- 2. Remove treated leaf from the scintillation vial and combine with the remaining shoot tissue. Add 10 ml of scintillation cocktail and count the leaf wash and determine % absorption. You will need this number to calculate the mass balance.

#### **Extraction Protocol**

- 3. Use liquid nitrogen to grind plants with a glass rod in a 10mL disposable glass test tube. Grind plants as fine as possible
- 4. -Suspend the ground tissue in **5mL total extraction solution** and put on the shaker (in a rack, wrapped in diaper paper) in the hall for 30 min.
  - a. Add 2.5 mL, grind tissue
  - b. Add 2.5 mL to clean grinder
- 5. Add all 5mL of liquid and plant solution to 0.45um Circo Tube. Add 2.5 + 2.5 mL of extraction solution to the original tube for rinsing and add rinsate to circo tube (total solution volume: 10 mL).
  - a. Remove 10uL into a scintillation vial for counting on the Liquid Scintillation Counter
- 6. Centrifuge the tube at ~4700 rpm for 10 minutes to separate liquid from ground plant material.
  - a. (dispose of radioactive 10 mL glass vial save cap to wash)

- b. Rinse the filter component with 5mL extraction buffer
- c. Remove the entire filter component to dry in an envelope in the drying oven. When it is dry, carefully remove the filter papers and plant material and oxidize.
  - ---- at this point, samples may be stored at -20C ----
- d. Remove 10uL out from oxidizer solution and run on the LSC, or count entire oxidizer solution.
- 7. Ensure that the extract is acidified before you run it through the SPE column by testing it with litmus paper.

## **Aqueous phase extraction**

- 8. Set up vacuum manifold for extraction. Place 2 labeled tubes adjacent to each other in the vacuum manifold for each sample.
- 9. Precondition the C-18 column with ~1 mL of 100% ACN.
- 10. Pull the liquid through the  $C_{18}$  SPE column. Rinse the Ciro tube with X mL of acidified water to make the volume up to 10mL.
  - a. Collect 10uL from the pulled liquid and count on the LSC.
- 11. Switch the VM over to the new, labeled tubes. Run **5uL 100% ACN** through the VM to extract ester, acid and metabolites for fluroxypyr. 2.5mL + 2.5mL
- 12. Place the samples in the hood over night to allow ACN to evaporate.
- 13. Bring the solution back up in HPLC solvent A and vortex several time to resuspend everything in the test tube.
- 14. Filter the solution through a nylon filter to filter out any particulates.
  - a. Take a 10 ul subsample before injecting. This will allow you to determine the ratio of parent to metabolites.

## 15. HPLC Solvents:

A: 10% ACN + 0.01% Formic Acid + 90% Distilled water

B: 99.99% ACN + 0.01% Formic Acid

Column: C18

Metabolites:

4-amino-3,5-dichloro-6-fluoro-2-pyridinol (DCP)

# 4-amino-3,5-dichloro-6-fluoro-2-methoxy-pyridine (MP)

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