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BREATH TEST APPARATUS AND METHODS

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[origin: WO0175439A2] Breath test methods and apparatus for increasing accuracy and reducing the time taken to achieve diagnostically meaningful results. In order to determine, in the shortest time possible, when an increase in isotopic ratio of the exhaled breath is clinically significant, methods are described for the use of a variable and multiple threshold level; for reducing the time taken to determine an accurate baseline level; and for avoiding the effects of oral activity when making measurements. To increase measurement accuracy, methods are described, using the results of the breath tests themselves, of continuous and automatic self-calibration to correct for drifts in the gas spectrometer absorption curves.

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