

Quantification by Mass Spectrometry

PC219

Lecture 5

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Applications of Quantitative Proteomics

Qualitative protein identification is NOT sufficient to describe a biological system

Detecting changes in proteomes

in space: cellular and tissue localization

in time: signaling cascades or turnover

sample perturbations:

- ***Comparison of normal and diseased tissue samples***

Biomarker discovery

- Drug development
- Diagnostics

- ***Gene knockdowns or over expression***

- ***Inhibitors: eg antibodies or siRNA***

- ***Growth factors/hormones***

- ***Cell-cell interactions***

- ***Drug treatment***

Quantitative Proteomics Methodologies

2D gel electrophoresis

silver stain

Fluorescence Difference Gel Electrophoresis

Pro-Q Diamond

2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine

Protein expression array analysis

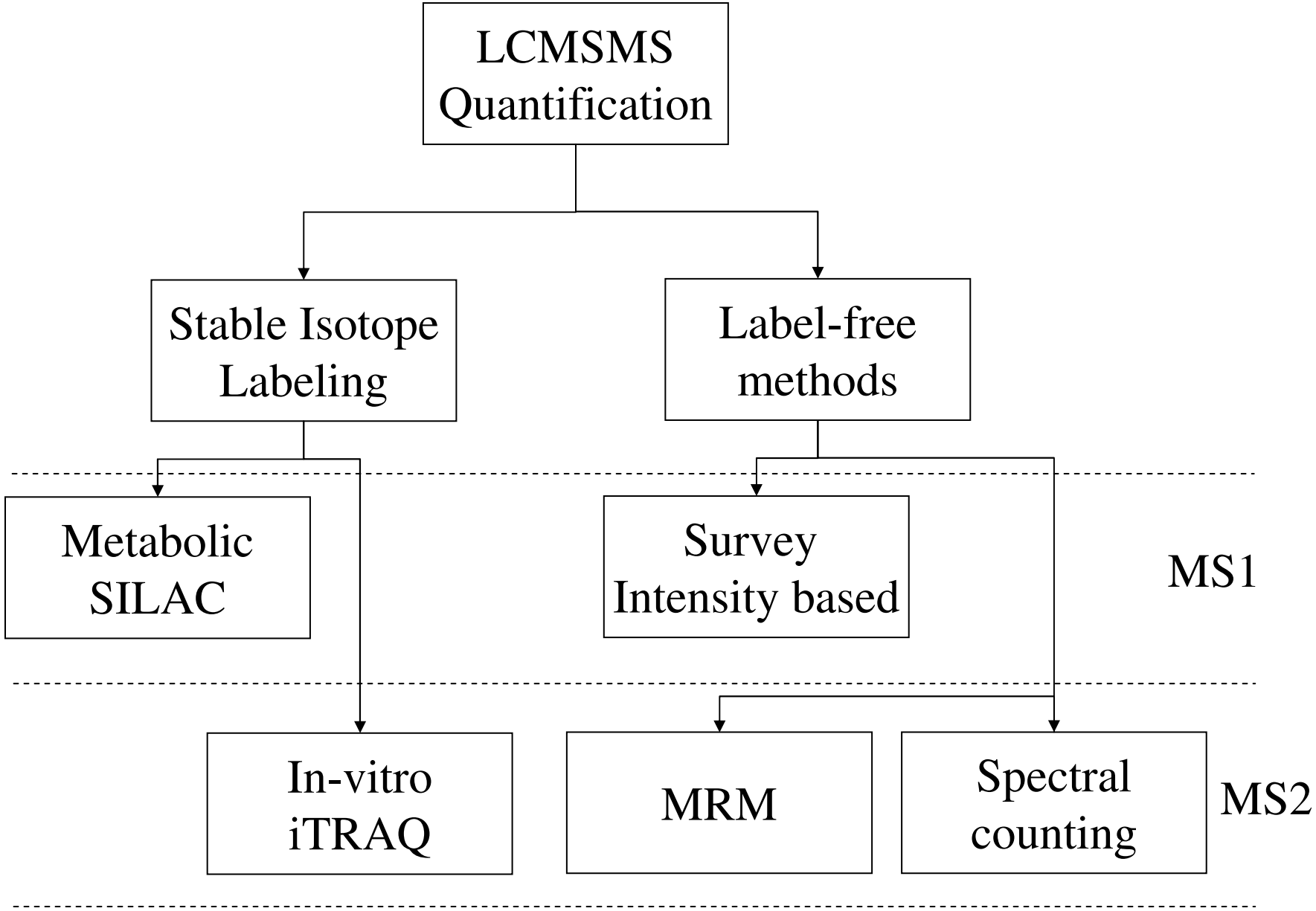
Global epitope tagging

(Nature2003v425p737)

MS-based quantification methods

- Quantification
- H/D exchange – protein surface mapping
- Proteomics dynamics

Basic Classifications of MS Based Quantification

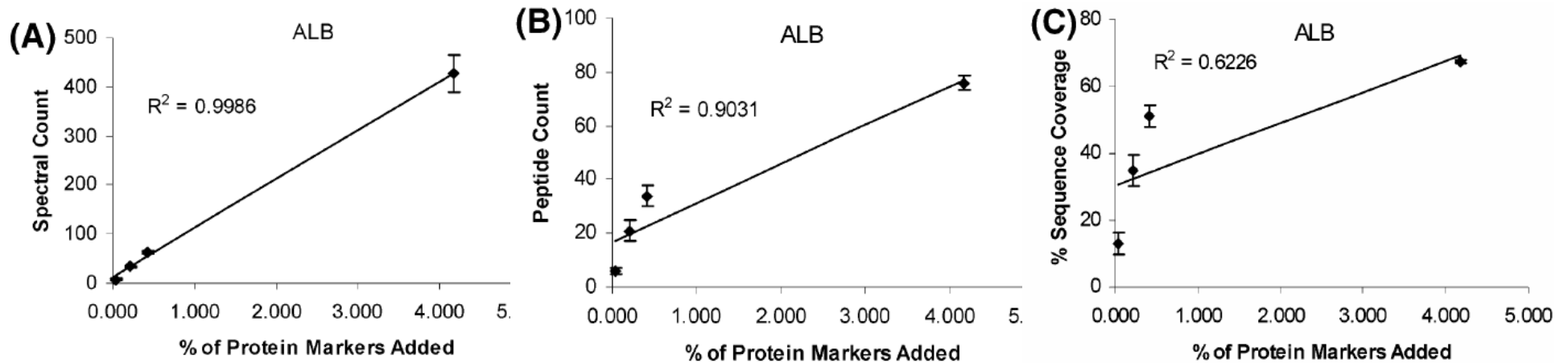


Label Free Quantification

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Spectral Counting

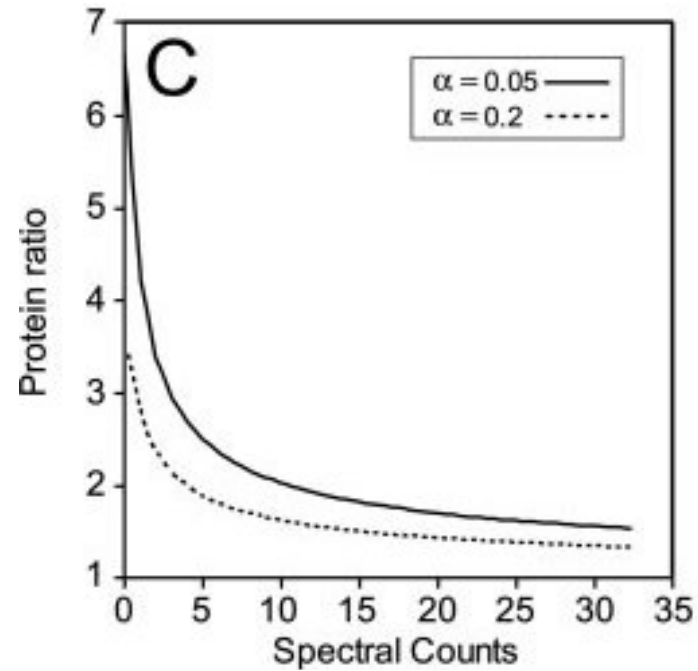
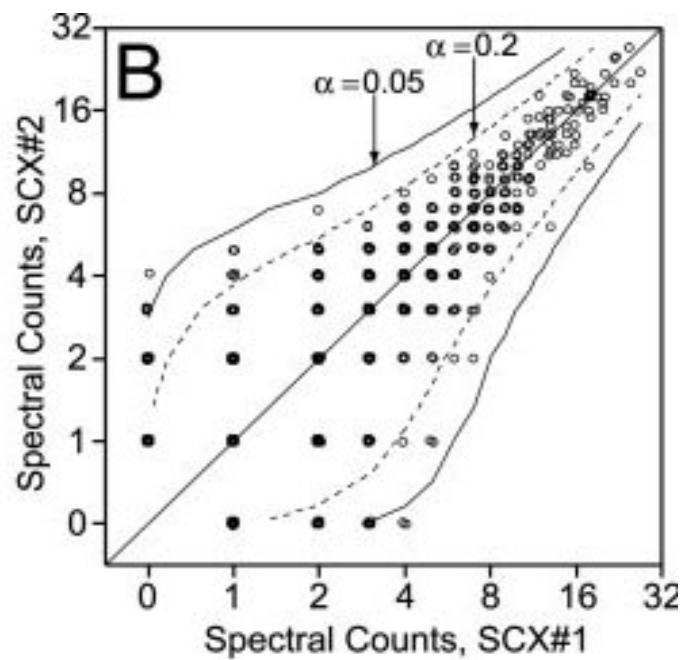
- **Spectral counts (# of MSMS from a Protein) correlate with protein abundance well**



- **Spectral counting dynamic range (single runs) is about two orders of magnitude**
- **10 repeated analysis can reach 95% saturation level**

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Spectral Counting



Minimum protein ratios that can be determined at 80 and 95% confidence limits

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Spectral Counting - Formula

R_{SC}: log₂(protein ratio) measured from spectral counts
(MCP2005v4p1487)

$$R_{SC} = \log_2[(n_2 + f)/(n_1 + f)] + \log_2[(t_1 - n_1 + f)/(t_2 - n_2 + f)]$$

n_1, n_2 - spectral counts for sample 1 and 2

t_1, t_2 - total spectral count (sampling depth) for samples 1 and 2

f - correction factor 0.5 (Bioinformatics2004v20pi31)

NSAF: normalized spectral abundance factor
(PNAS2006v103p18928)

$$(\text{NSpC})_k = \frac{(\text{SpC}/L)_k}{\sum_{i=1}^N (\text{SpC}/L)_i}$$

SpC: total number of tandem MS spectra matching peptides from protein

L: protein length

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Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods

In-Vitro Phosphorylation of BZR1 by BIN2 Kinase

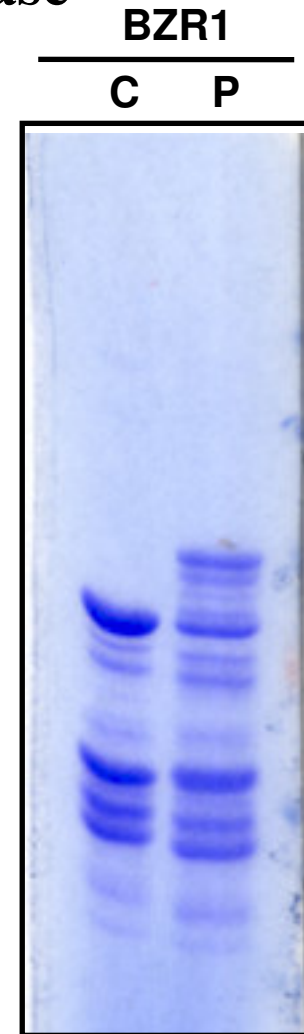
E. coli expressed MBP-BZR1 as substrate

E. coli expressed GST-Bin2 as kinase

Phospho sample: BZR1+Bin2+ATP

Control sample: BZR1+Bin2

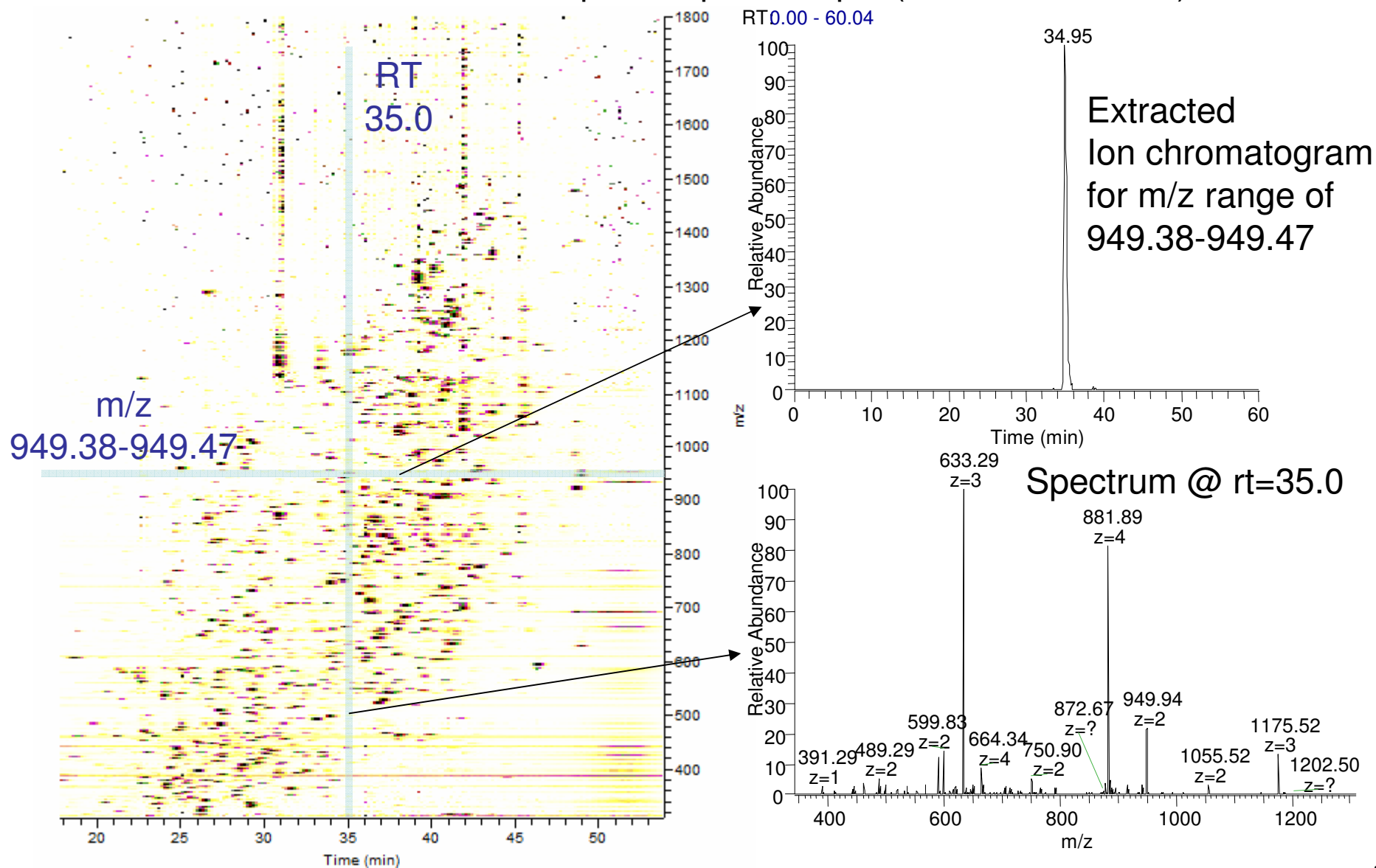
Goal: Estimate Stoichiometry of PTMs



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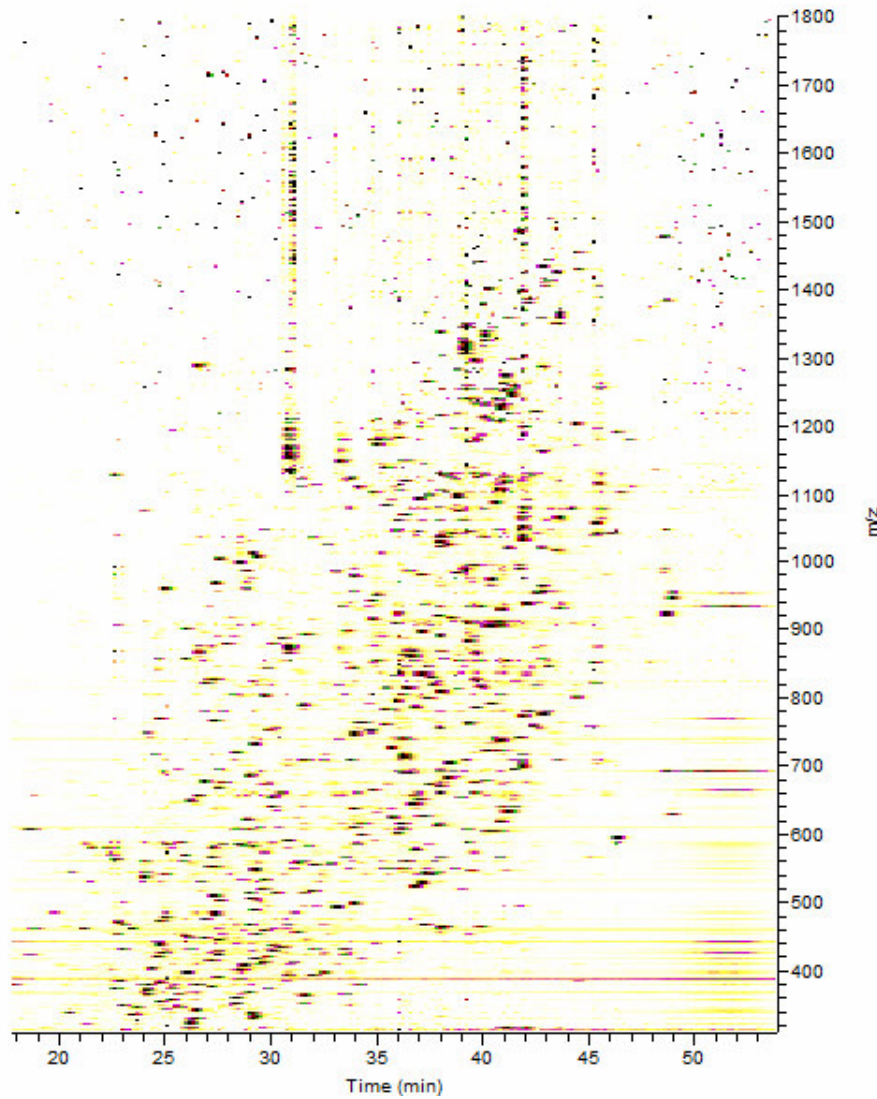
Retention time - m/z ion map: Phospho sample (BZR1+Bin2+ATP)



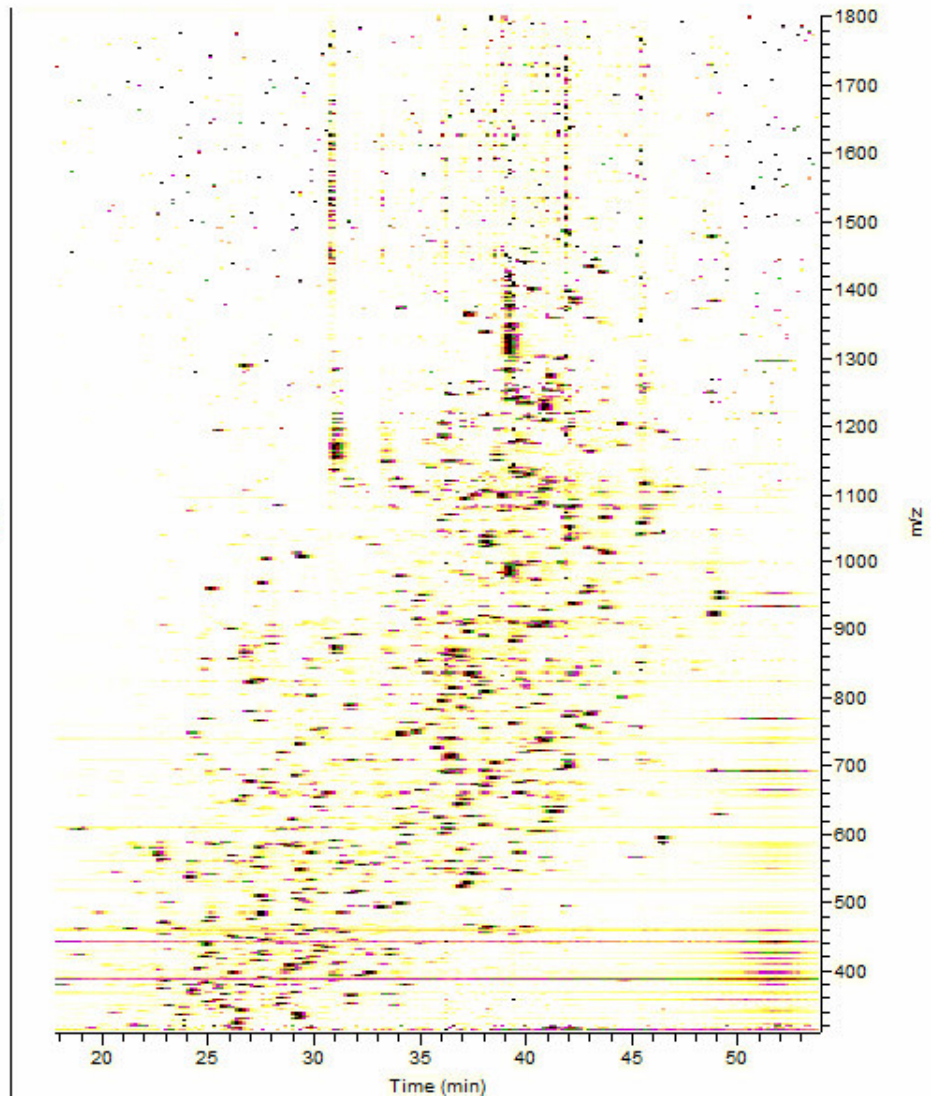
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Phospho Sample



Control Sample



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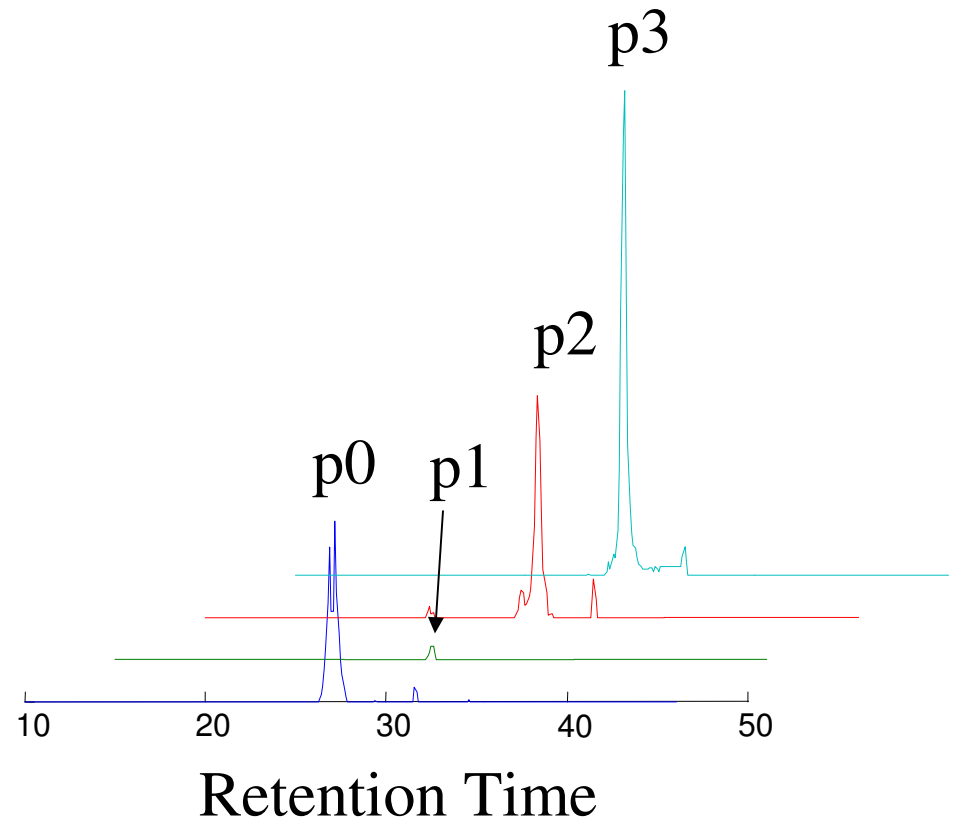
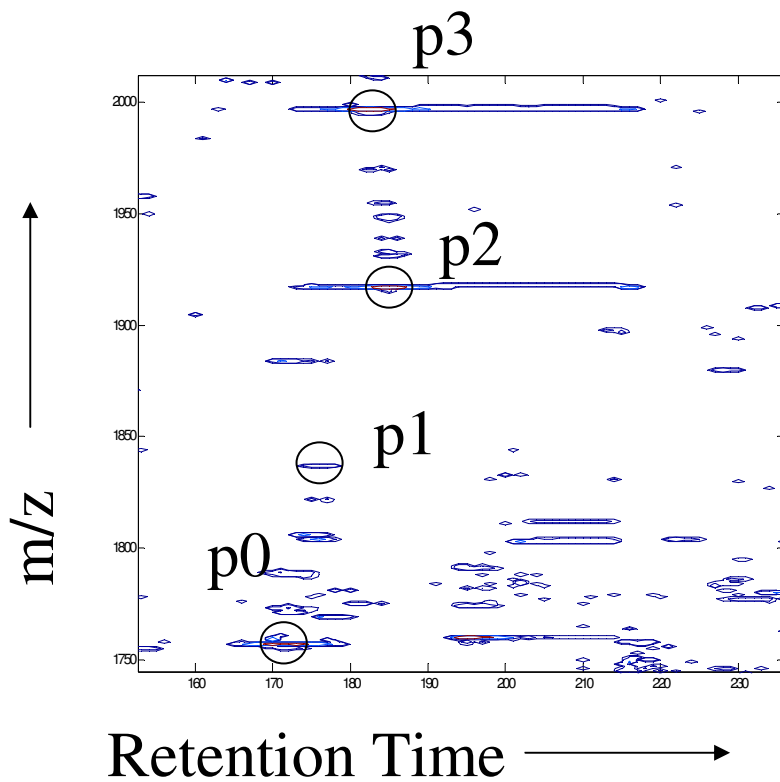
Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods

Phosphopeptides

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ISN**S**CPV**T**PPVS**S**P**T**SK



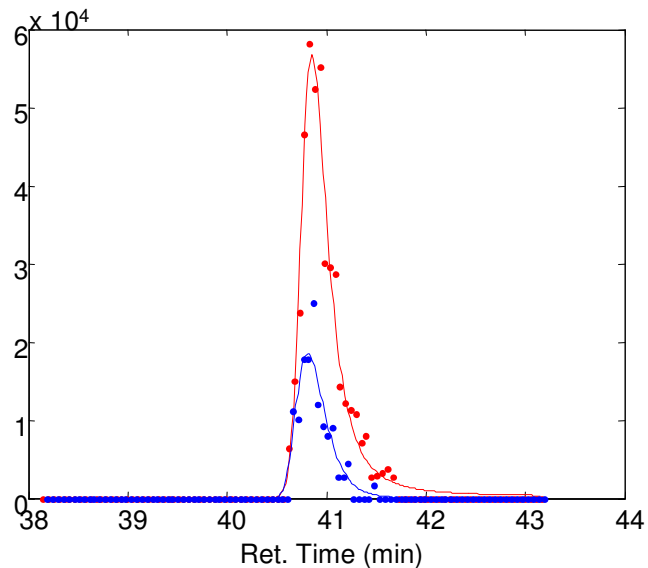
Label Free Quantification

Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods

Extracted Ion Chromatogram and Integration

- *Non-constant sampling rate
- *Noisy signal
- *Initial peak parameters

$m/z = 1225.63, z = 4$



	Control	Phospho
Ret. Time (min)	40.85	40.81
Peak Height	5.67×10^4	1.86×10^4
Peak Area (min)	2.26×10^4	7.14×10^3
Peak Width (min)	0.319	0.346
R^2	0.982	0.923

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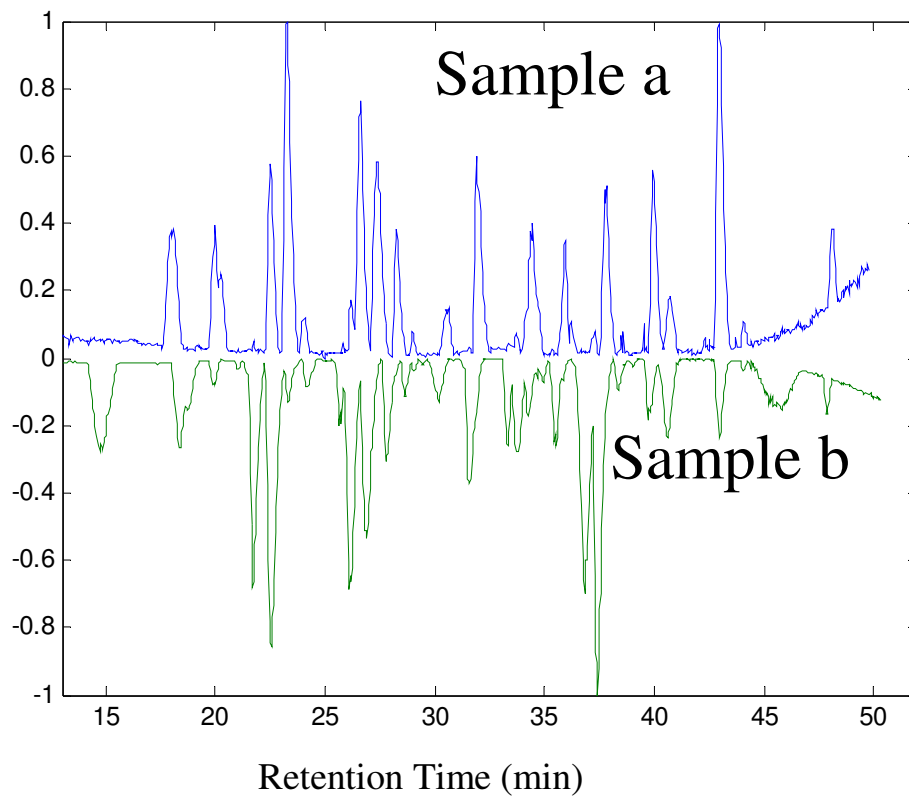
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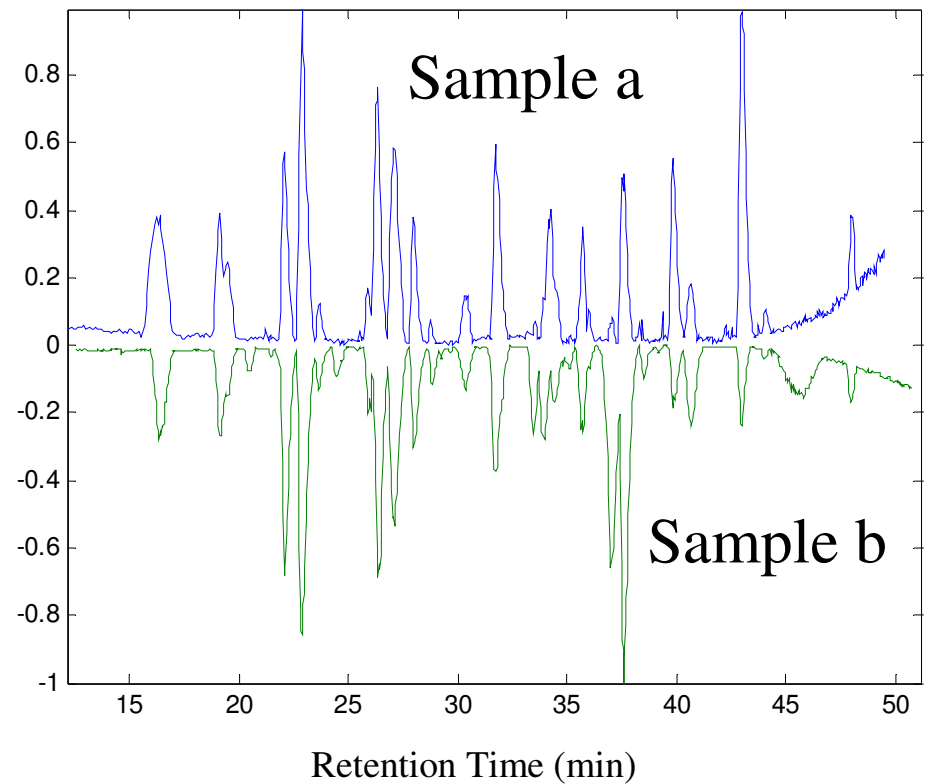
LC Alignment of base-peak chromatograms:

- Dynamic Time Wrapping (similarity in chromatograms)
- Use “landmark” ions (needs MSMS info)

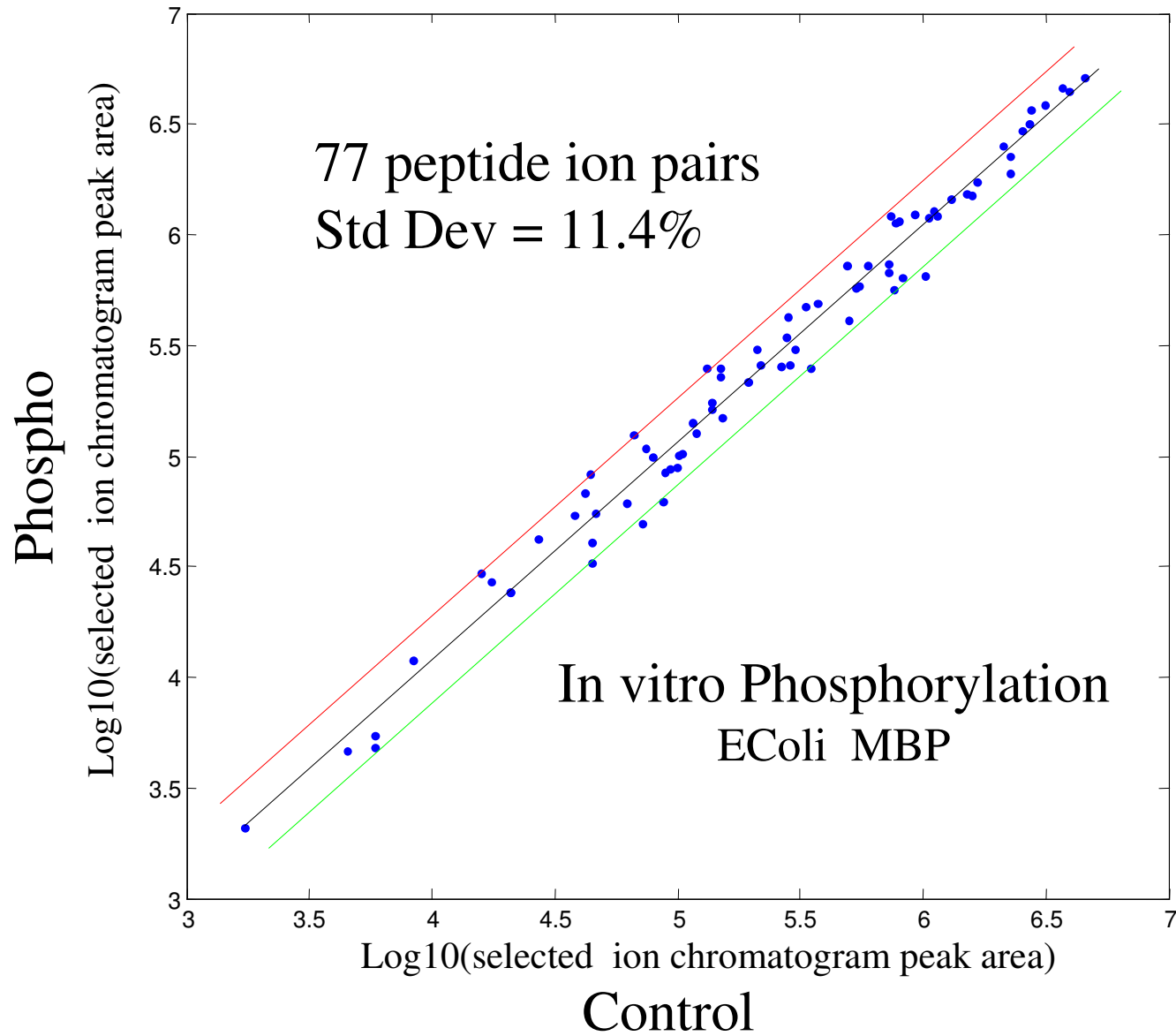
Before



After



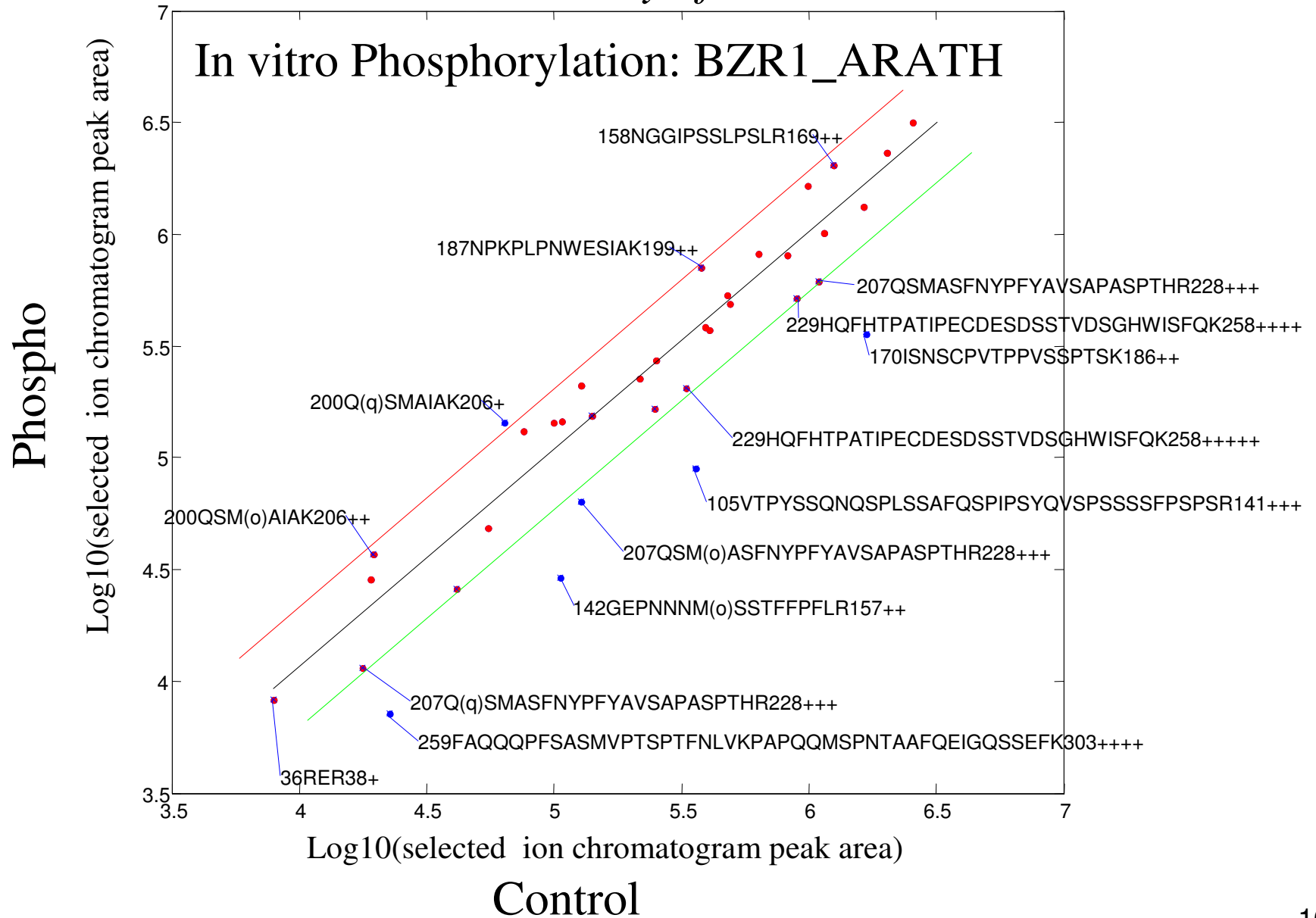
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Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods
Stoichiometry of PTMs



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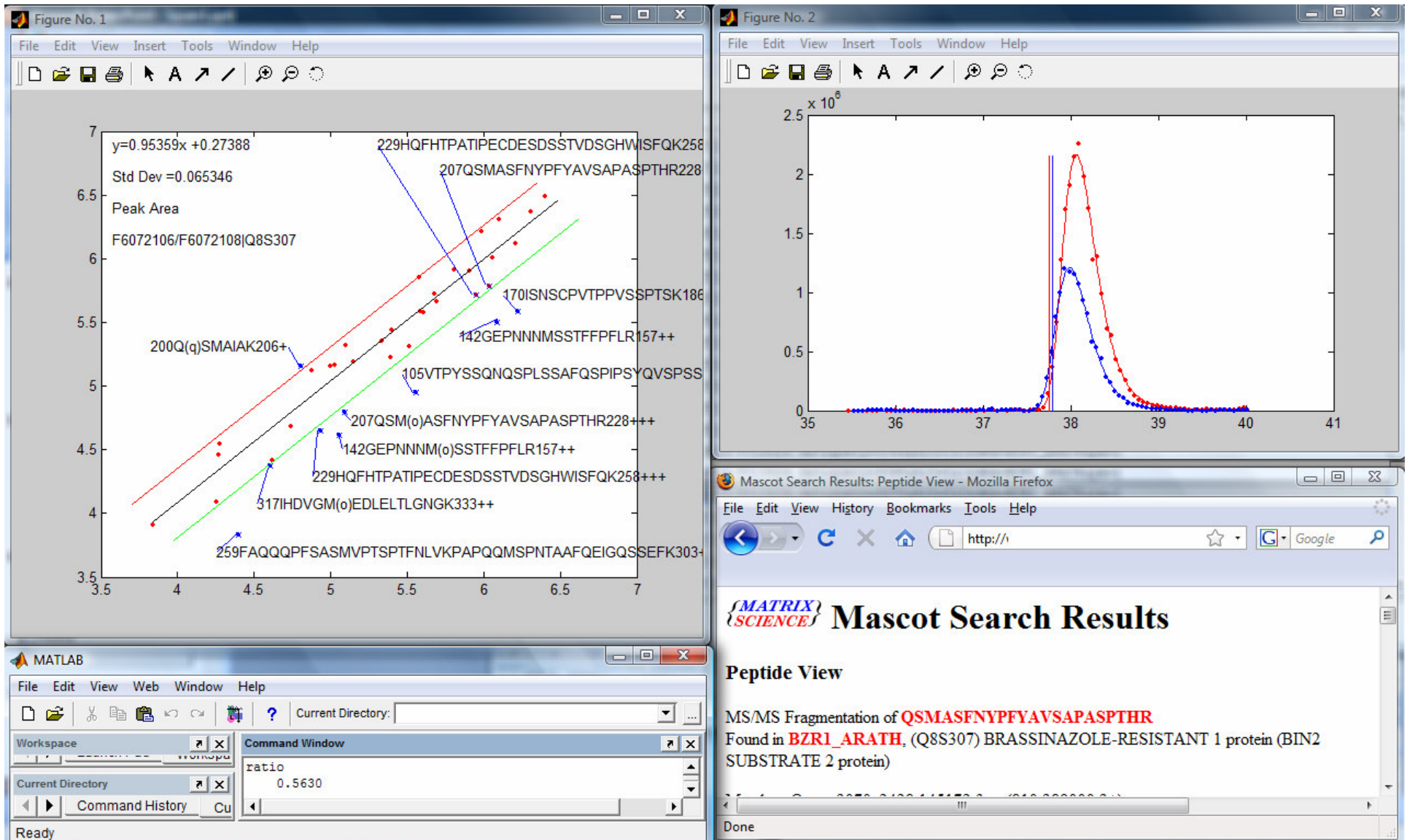
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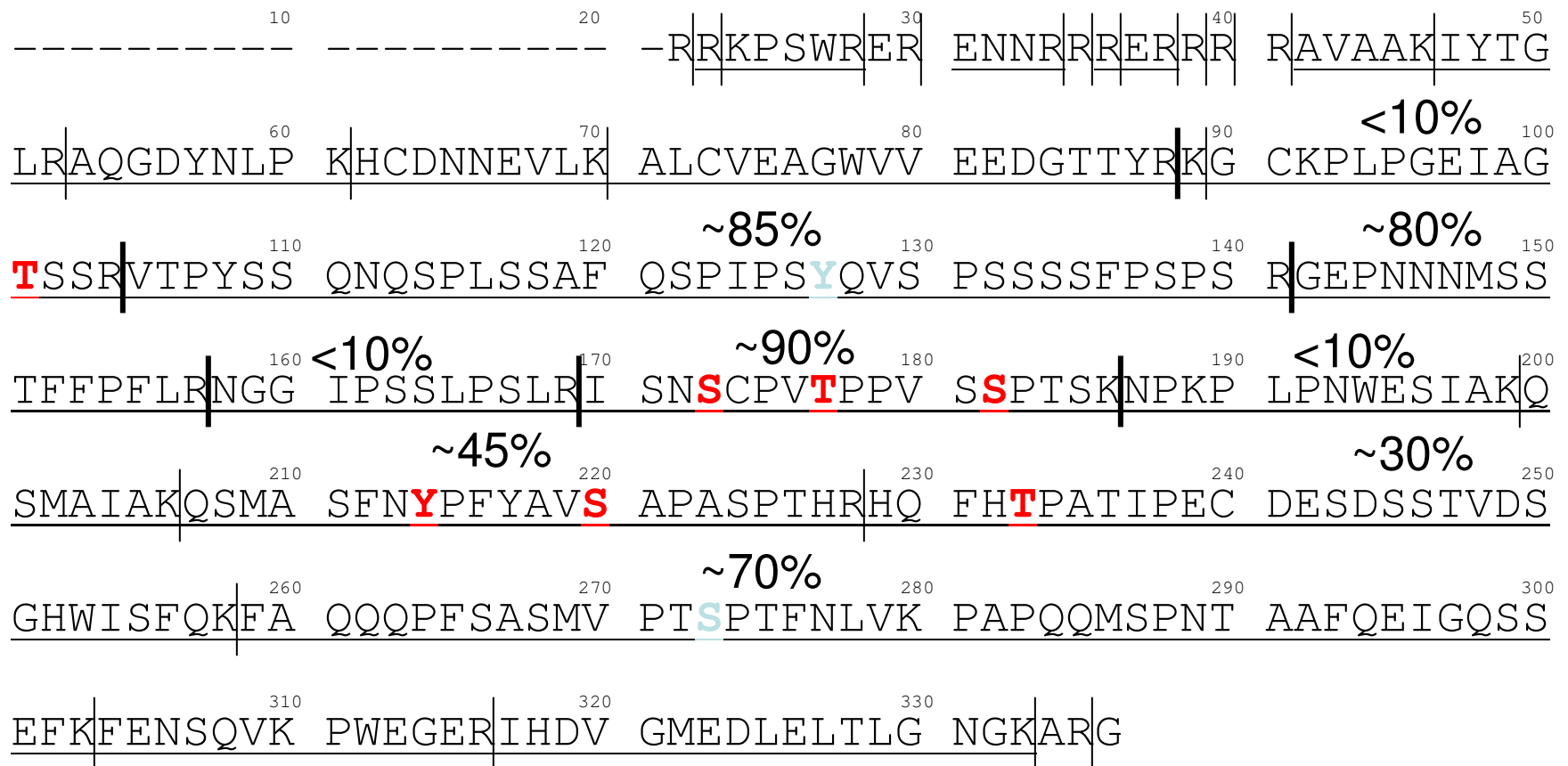
User Interface

- Scatter Plot, Extracted IC, Peptide ID Page



Stoichiometry of PTMs

BRASSINAZOLE-RESISTANT 1 protein (BZR1) Extent of Phosphorylation



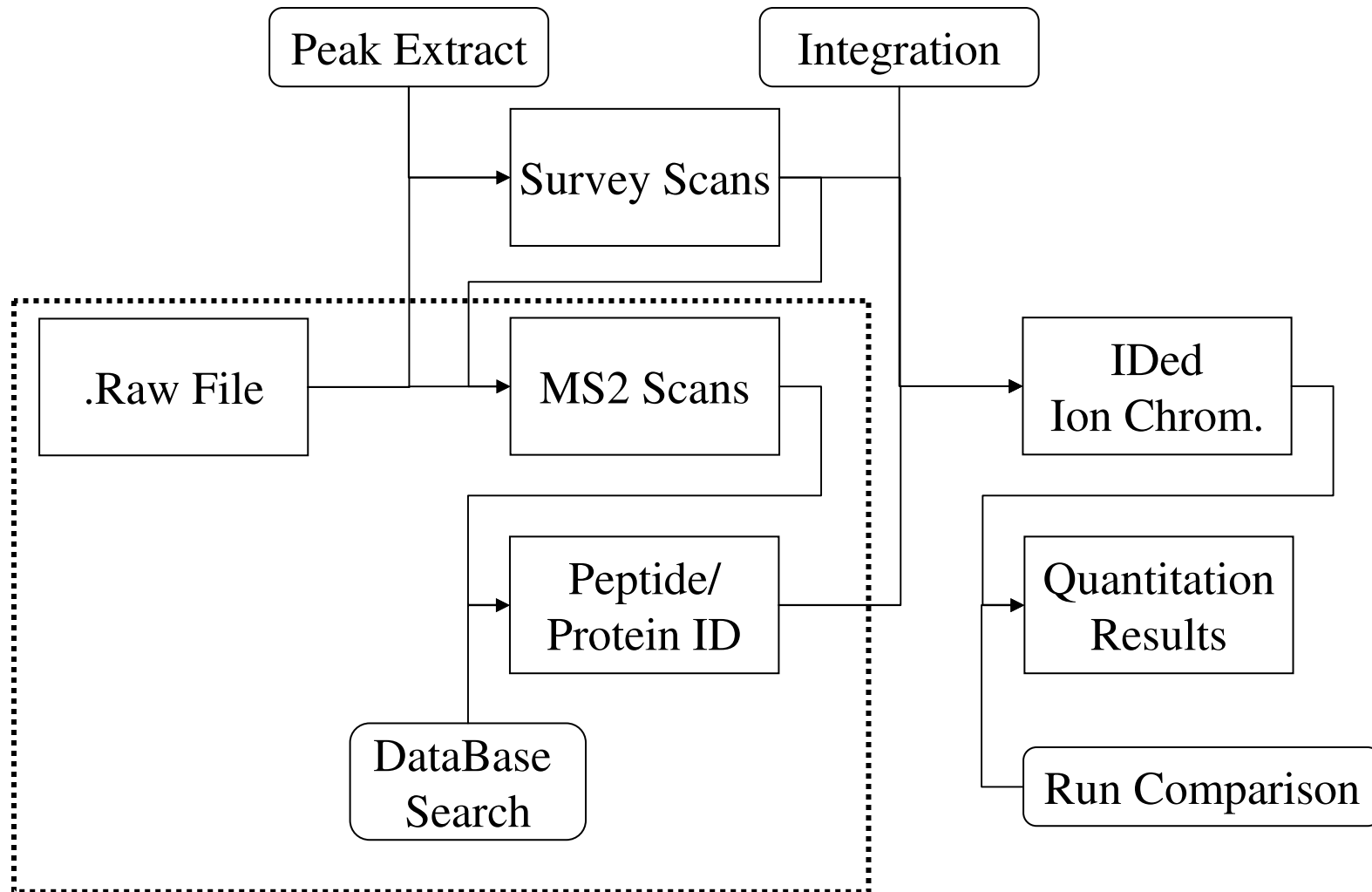
S, **T**, and **Y** are conformed assignments
in this experiment

S and **Y** are tentative assignment

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Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods

Data Processing Workflow



Label Free Quantification

Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Methods

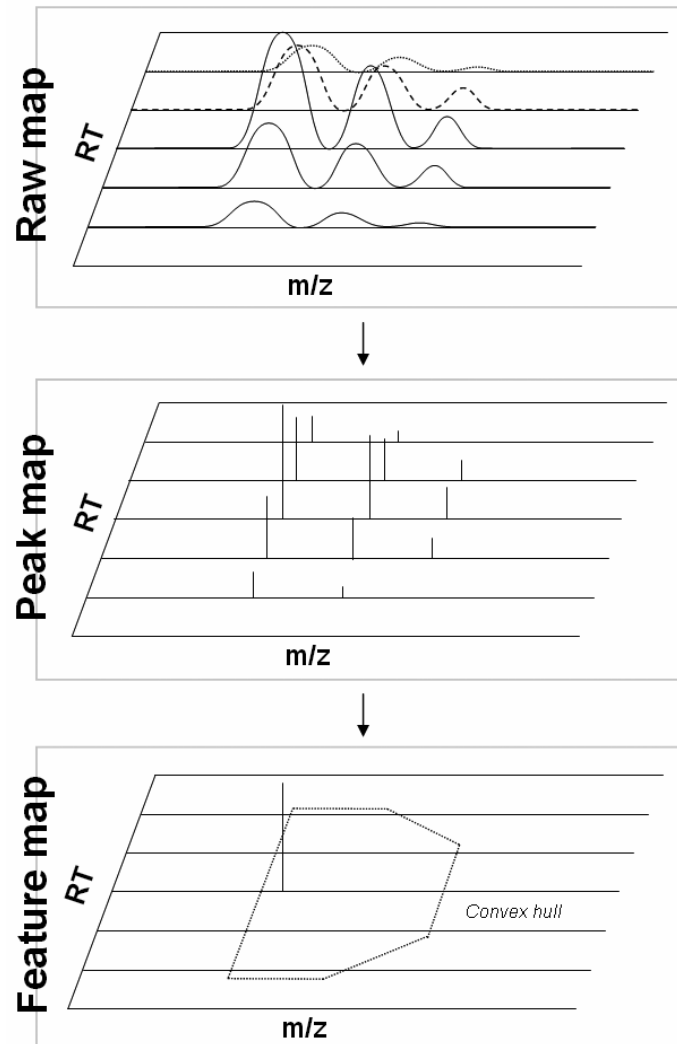
Table 1. Overview of LC-MS alignment software for proteomics solutions

Software name	Supplier / author	Database/ environment	availability	Functionality	website	reference
PLGS IdentityE Expression Informatics	Waters Corp	PLGS	commercial	f, h,i,b,a,r,s,l	http://www.waters.com/	[15, 16, 58, 59]
SIEVE	Thermo Scientific	BioWorks	commercial	p,h,v,b,a,r,s,l	http://www.thermo.com/	
DeCyderMS	GE Healthcare		commercial	f,h,i,b,v,a,r,s,l	http://www.gelifesciences.com/	[50]
Rosetta Elucidator	Rosetta Biosoftware		commercial	f,h,i,b,v,a,r,s,l	http://www.rosettabio.com/products/elucidator/default.htm	
MS-Xelerator	MsMetrix		commercial	f,l,i,b,a,r,s,	http://www.msmetrix.com	
MassView	SurroMed		custom	f,l,i,b,a,r,s,l		[61–63]
MetAlign	WUR		free for acad.	p,l,b,a,s	www.metalign.wur.nl	[33]
MzMine	VTT Finland		open source	f,h,v,a,r	http://mzmine.sourceforge.net/index.shtml	[42, 43]
MSight	SIB		open source	f,h,i,v,(a)	http://www.expasy.org/MSight/	[64]
MS Inspect	CPL (Fhcrc)	CPAS	open source	f,h,v,a,r (l,d)	http://proteomics.fhcrc.org/CPL/msinspect.html	[41, 65]
SpecArray	ISB /SPC	TPP	open source	f,h,i,v,a,r,s	http://tools.proteomecenter.org/SpecArray.php	[49]
PePPER	BROAD MIT	Genepattern	open source	h,a,r,s,l	http://www.broad.mit.edu/cancer/software/genepattern/desc/proteomics.html	[60, 66]
VIPER	PNNL	PRISM	open source	f,h,i,b,v,a,r,s,l,d	http://ncrr.pnl.gov/software	[57, 67]
OpenMS	Berlin Saarland Tübingen Univ.	TOPP	open source	(f,h,i,b,v,a,r,s,l,d)	www.openMS.de	[68–70]
SuperHirn	IMSB @ETH	Corra	open source	f,i,b,v,a,r,s	http://tools.proteomecenter.org/SuperHirn.php	[53]
CPM (continous profile models)	Listgarten/Emili	MatLab	free for acad.	l,a	http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~ienn/CPM/	[52]
Xalign	Purdue Univ	Xmass	upon request	(f,h),i,a,s	zhang100@purdue.edu	[71]
Fischer et.al.	ETH		not described	h,a	http://people.inf.ethz.ch/befische/	[46]
CRAWDAD	Washington Univ		upon request	f,l,i,a,r,s,l,d	http://proteome.gs.washington.edu/software/crawdad	
CHAMS	Inst Pasteur, Paris		web server	h,a,s	http://www.pasteur.fr/recherche/unites/BioIsvs/chams/index.htm	[51, 72]
OBI-WARP	Univ. Texas		open source	a,r,l	http://bioinformatics.icmb.utexas.edu/obi-warp/	[73]
LCMSWARP	PNNL	PRISM	open source	h,a	http://ncrr.pnl.gov/software	[74]
LCMS2D	Albert Einstein College of Medicine				http://www.bioc.aecom.yu.edu/labs/angellab/	[75, 76]
PETAL	CPL (Fhcrc)	CPAS	open source	a	http://peiwang.fhcrc.org/research-project.html	[77, 78]

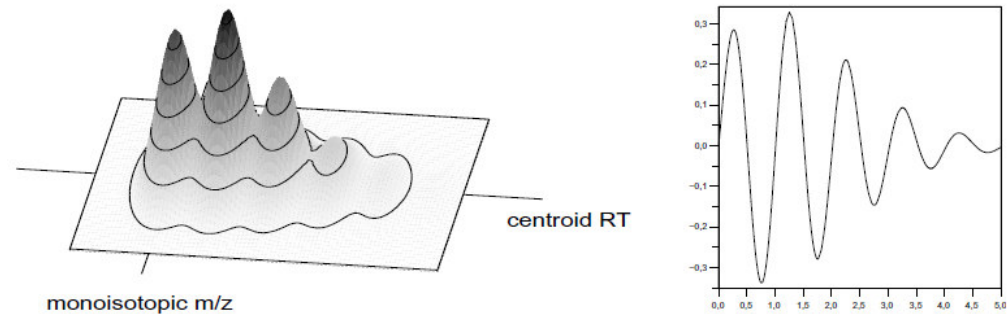
p/f: peak/feature detection; h/l: high/low resolution; i: de-isotoping; b: batch processing; v: LCMS 2-D visualization; a: alignment; r: result visualization; s: statistical analysis; l: link MS to MS/MS; d: results database

Label Free Quantification

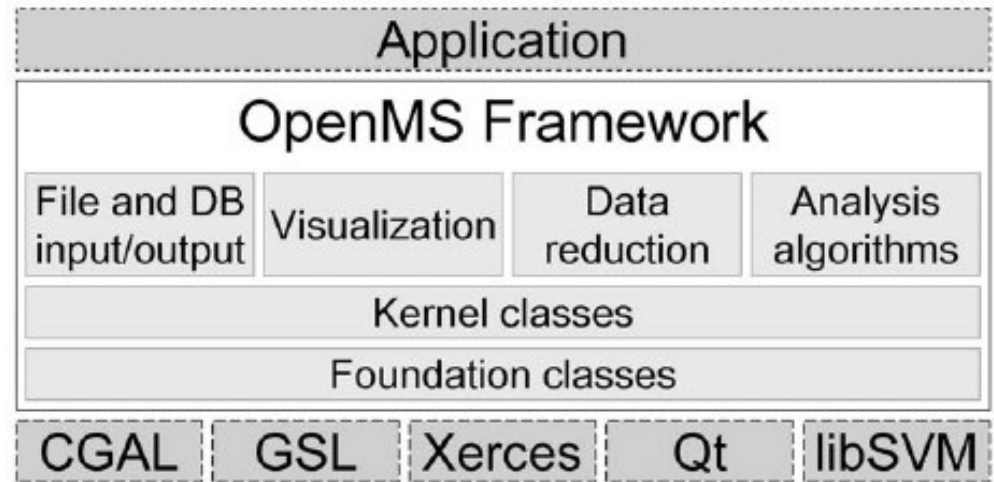
Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Method - OpenMS



Isotope distribution modeling: wavelet



Software architecture: C++/Linux



Label Free Quantification

Extracted Ion Chromatogram Based Method

Experimental

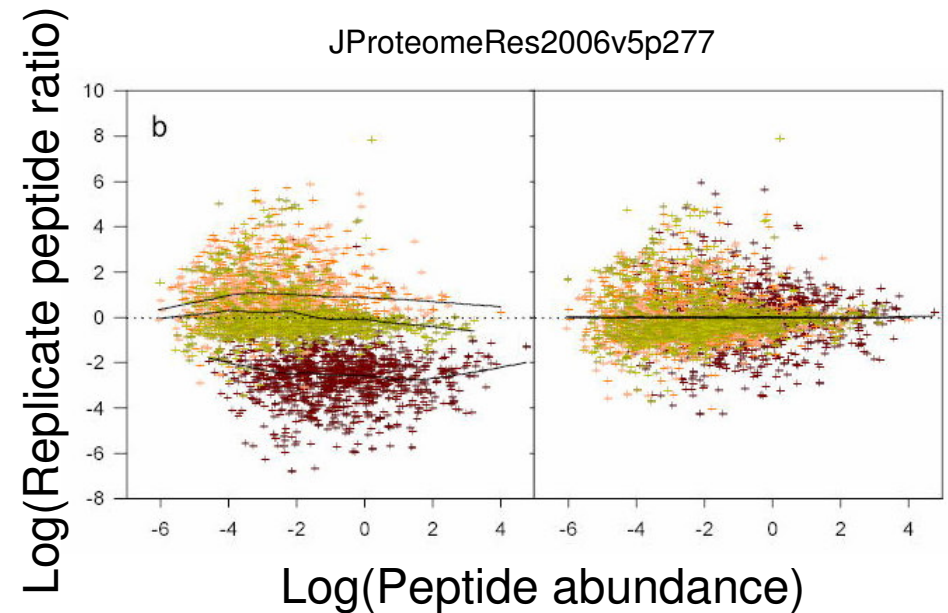
Consistency in sample collection and processing

LC and MS stability

Replicate analysis

Data Processing

- Data format
- Data visualization
- Normalization
 - Mass recalibration
 - LC retention time alignment
 - Abundance normalization
- Data quality assessment
- Result analysis
 - Difference detection
 - Multivariate analysis

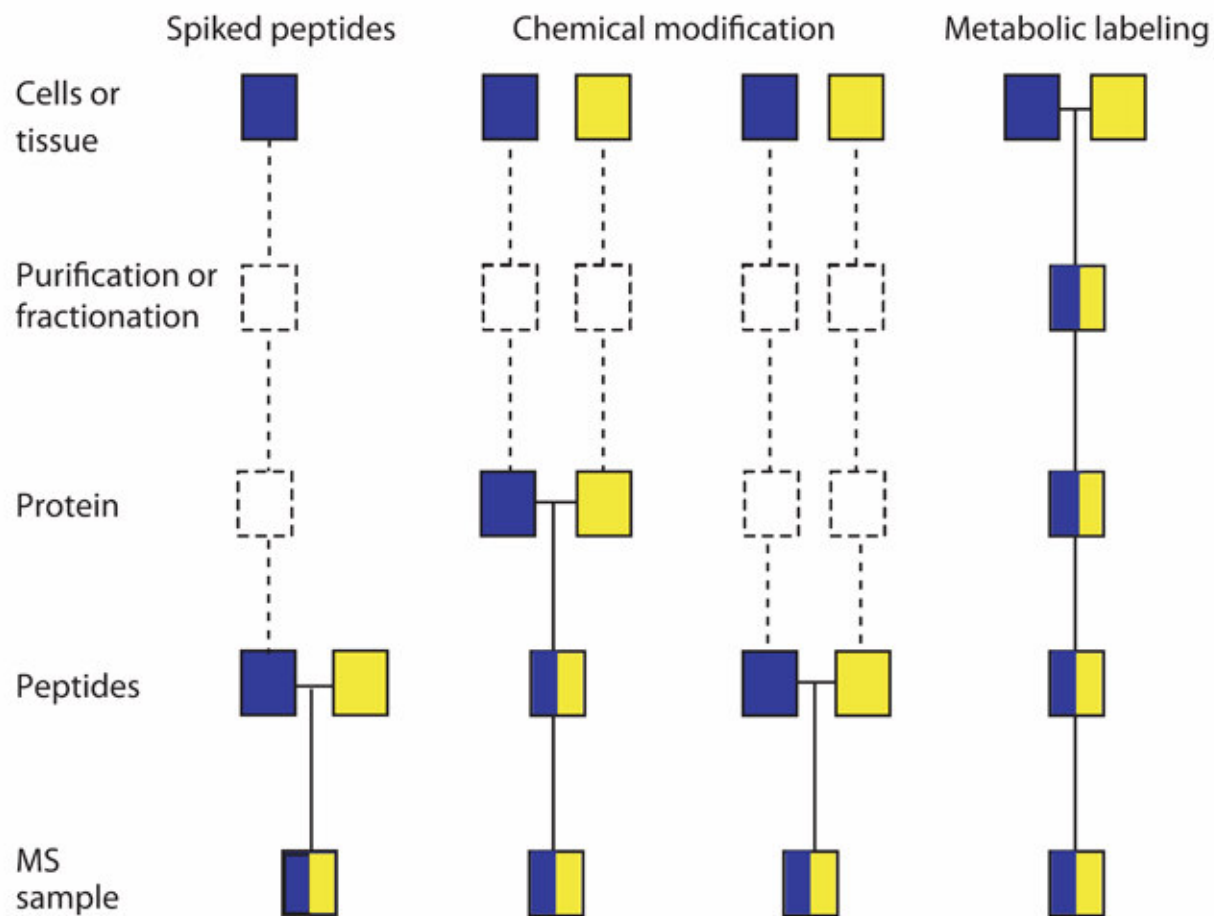


Stable Isotope Labeling

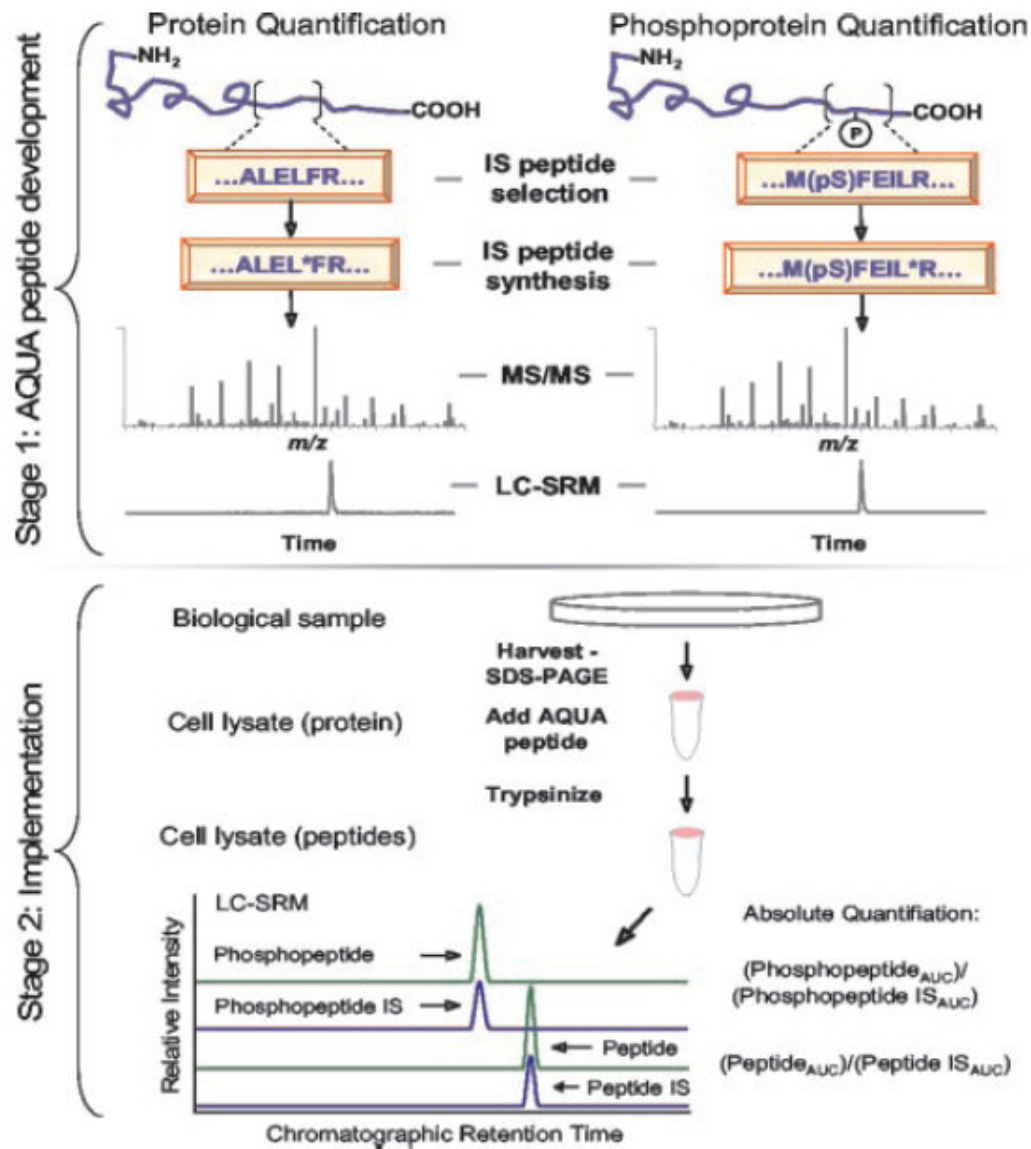
Experimental Strategies

Introduction of Controls in Stable Isotope Labeling

(QconCAT:
Spiked Q-proteins)

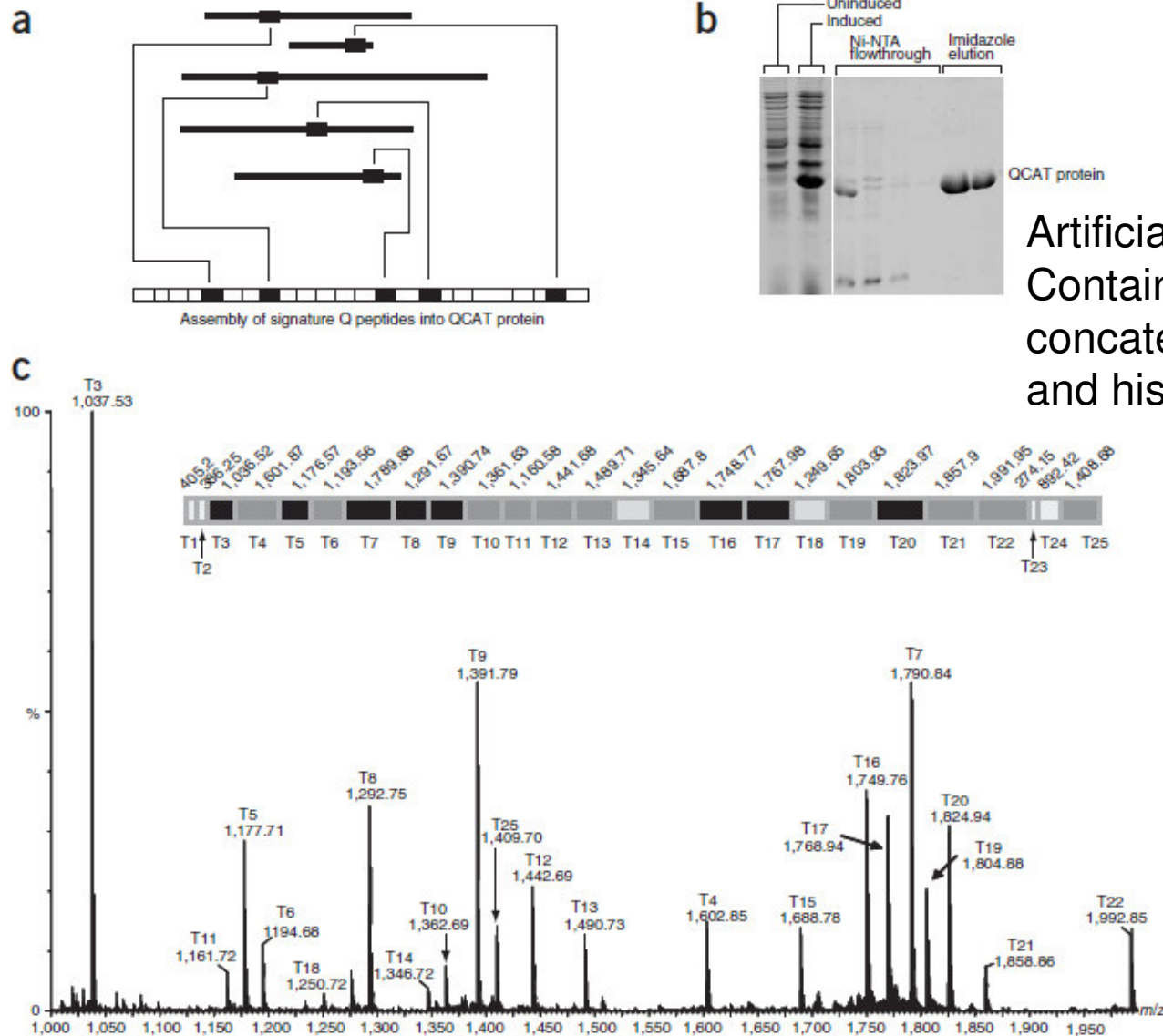


Absolute Quantification (AQUA) with Internal Standard Peptides



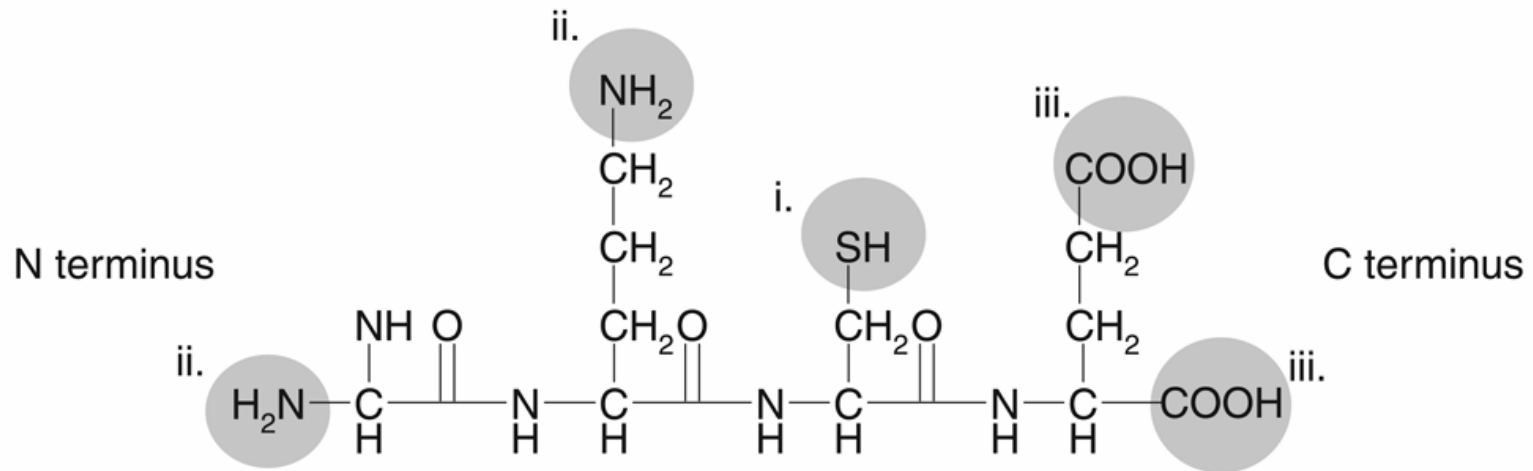
QconCAT

Tryptic standard peptides from artificial proteins



Artificial protein
Containing
concatenated tryptic Q peptides
and his-tag

Stable Isotope Chemical Labeling

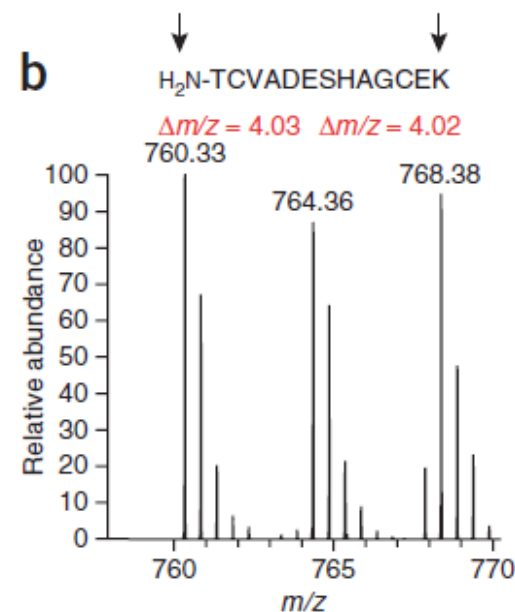
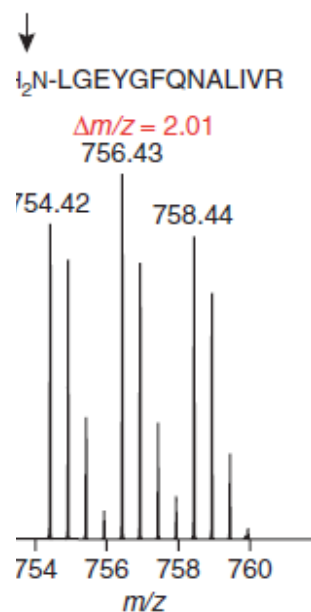
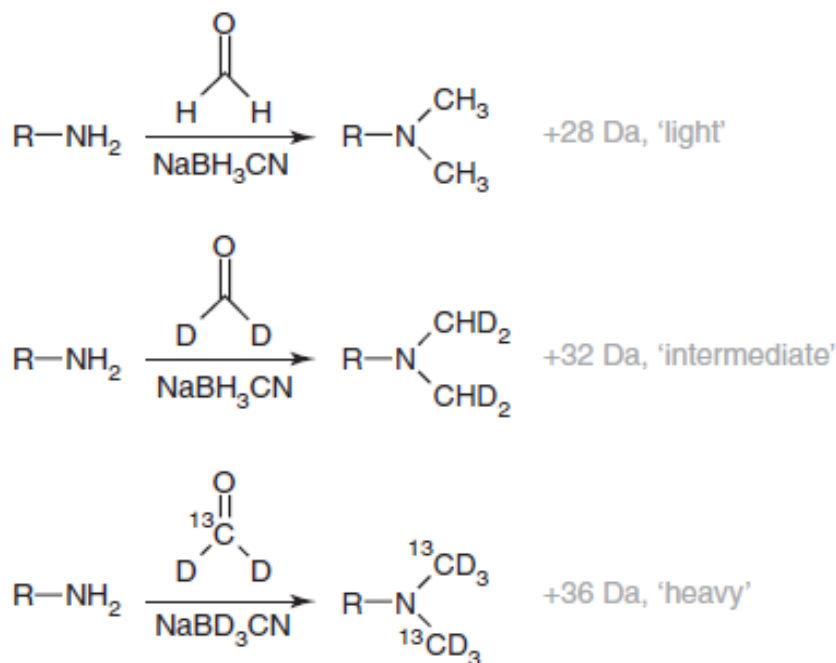


- i. Sulfhydryl group-directed (cysteine)
- ii. Amine-directed (amino terminus and ϵ -amino group of lysine)
- iii. Carboxyl-directed (carboxyl terminus, aspartic and glutamic acid)

stable isotope chemical labeling

dimethyl labeling of ϵ -amine

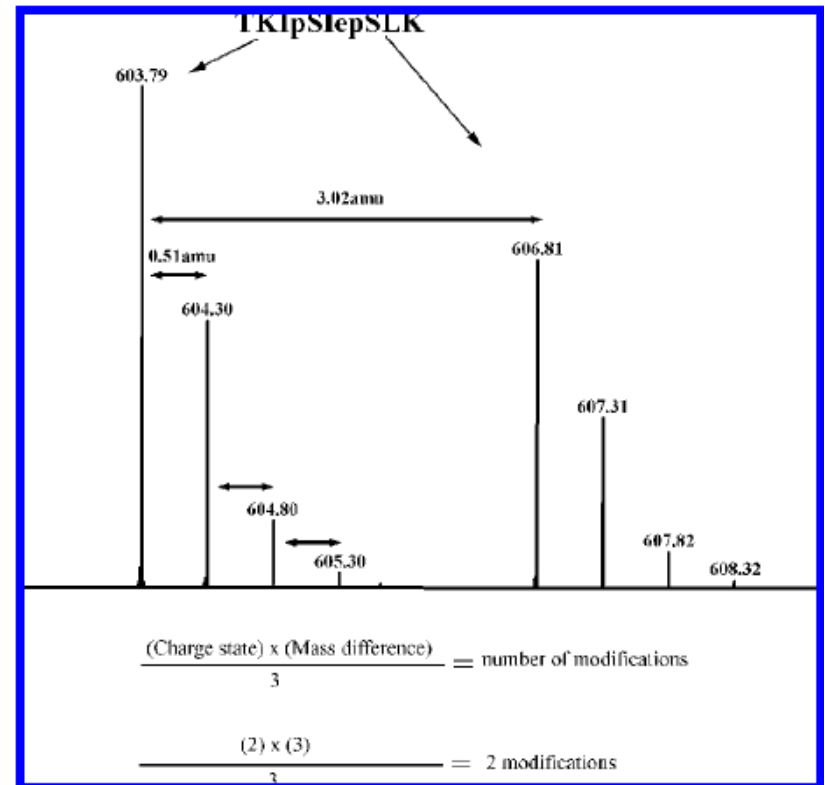
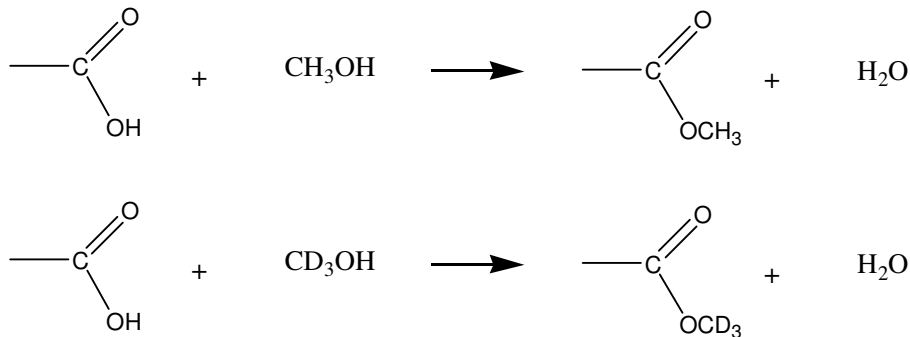
- Can be performed (a) in-solution, (b) online with LC-MS or (c) on-column (SepPak)
- 2 carbons and 6 hydrogens for labeling – in principle
- Quantification in MS or survey scan level



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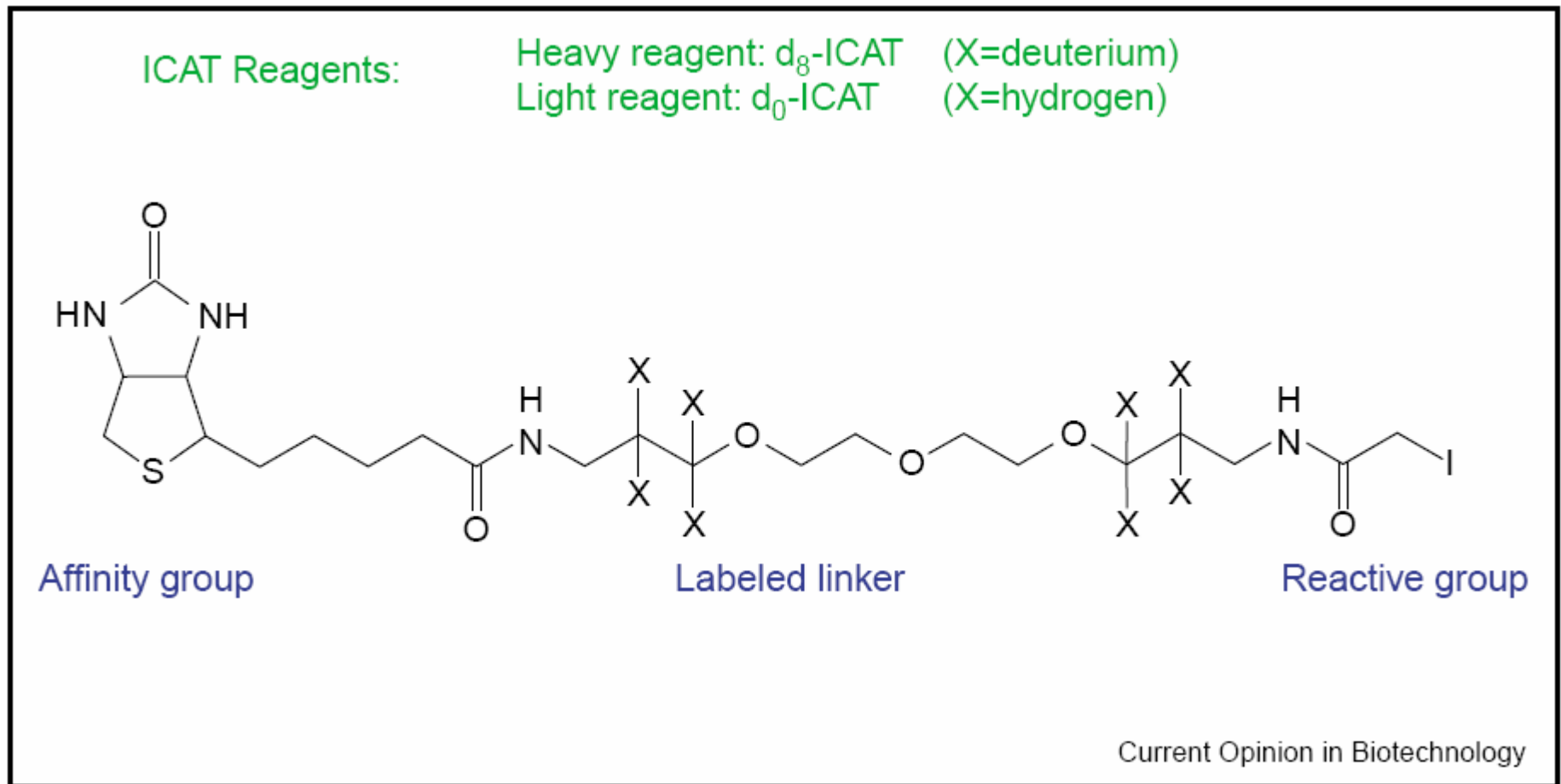
Methyl esterification of carboxyl groups

- Perform in dry condition (sample, glassware, etc)
if a peptide has 10 Es or Ds and single site labeling efficiency is 99%,
only 90% of peptide is fully labeled
- Help to increase charge states (better sensitivity)
decrease acidic groups (better fragmentation)
improve phosphopeptide enrichment
- Quantification in MS or survey scan level

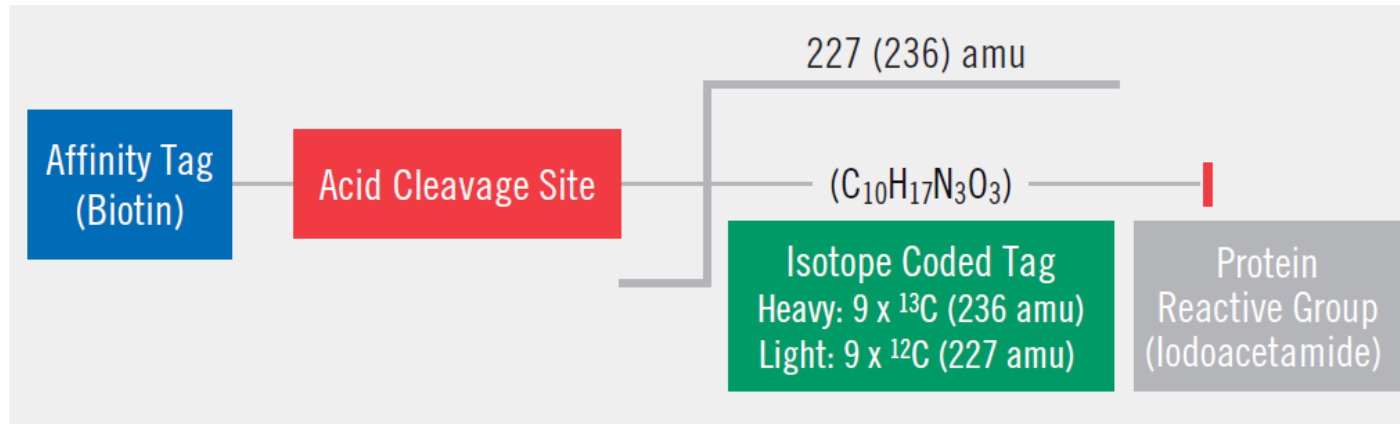


Isotope coded affinity tag (ICAT)

- Purify peptides by streptavidin beads
- Only labels cysteines
- The tag is too large for MS
- Difficult to elude peptides



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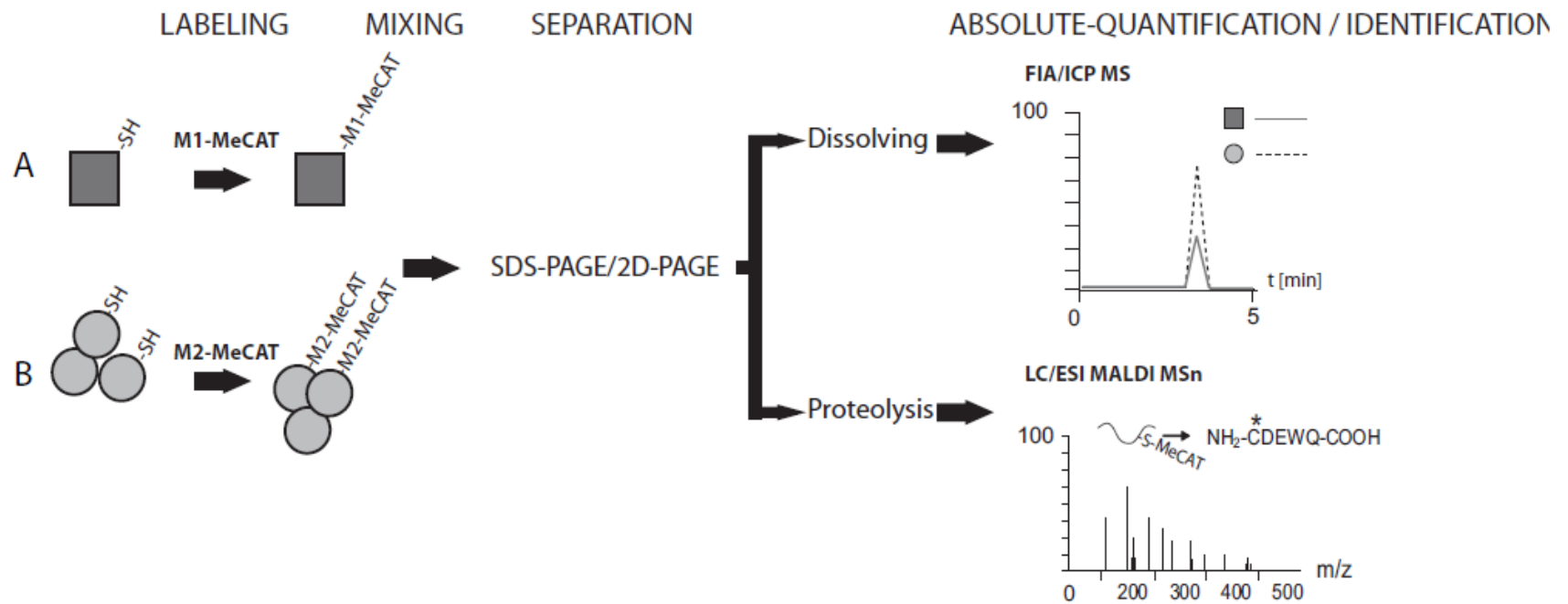
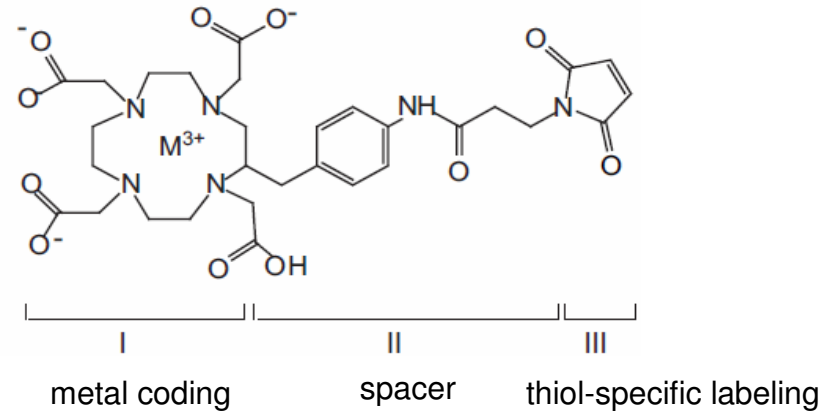
- Acid cleavable linker facilitates release
- Heavy and light carbon allows for co-eluting peptides
- The structure is not disclosed

Early usage: AnalChem2006v78p4543

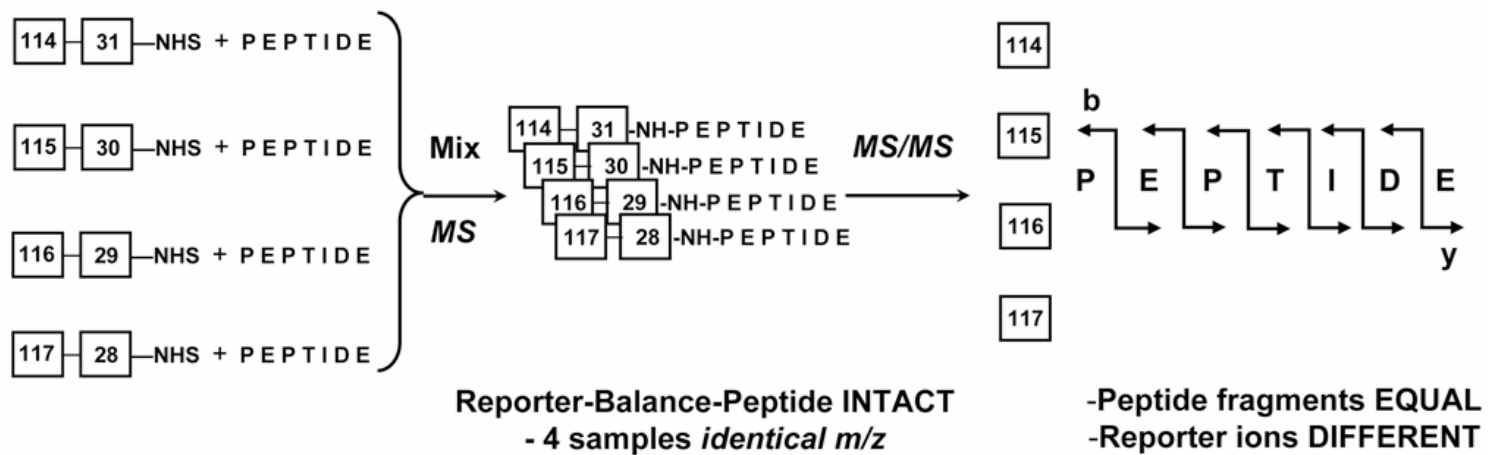
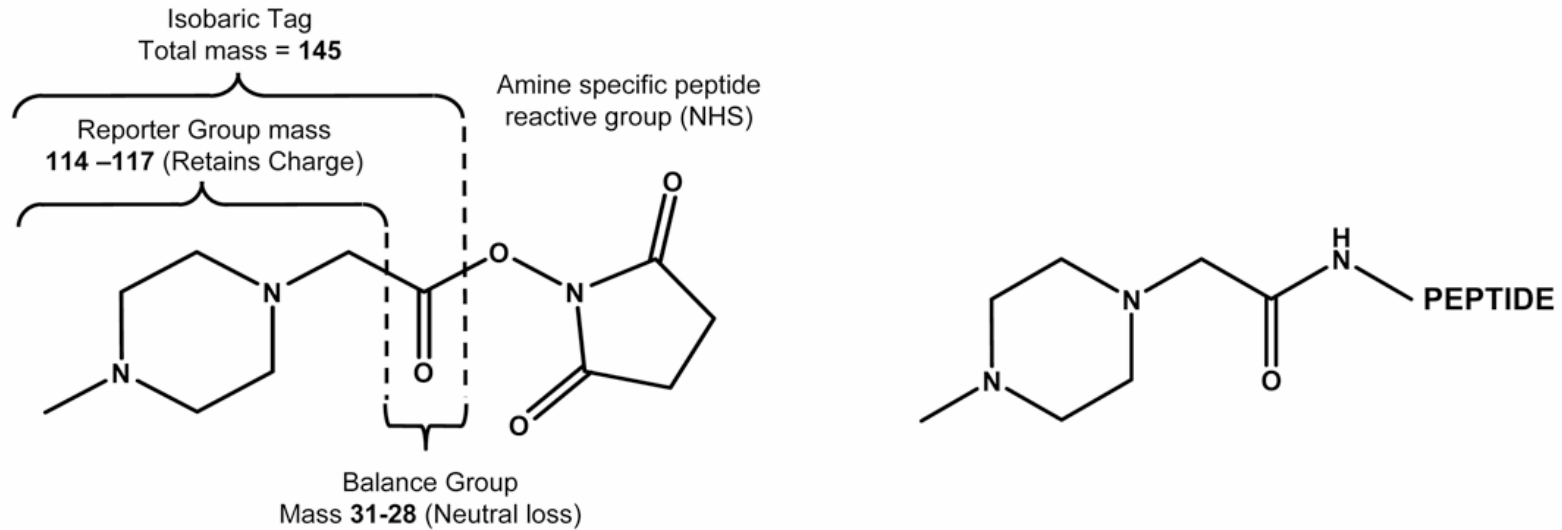
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metal-coded affinity tag (MeCAT)

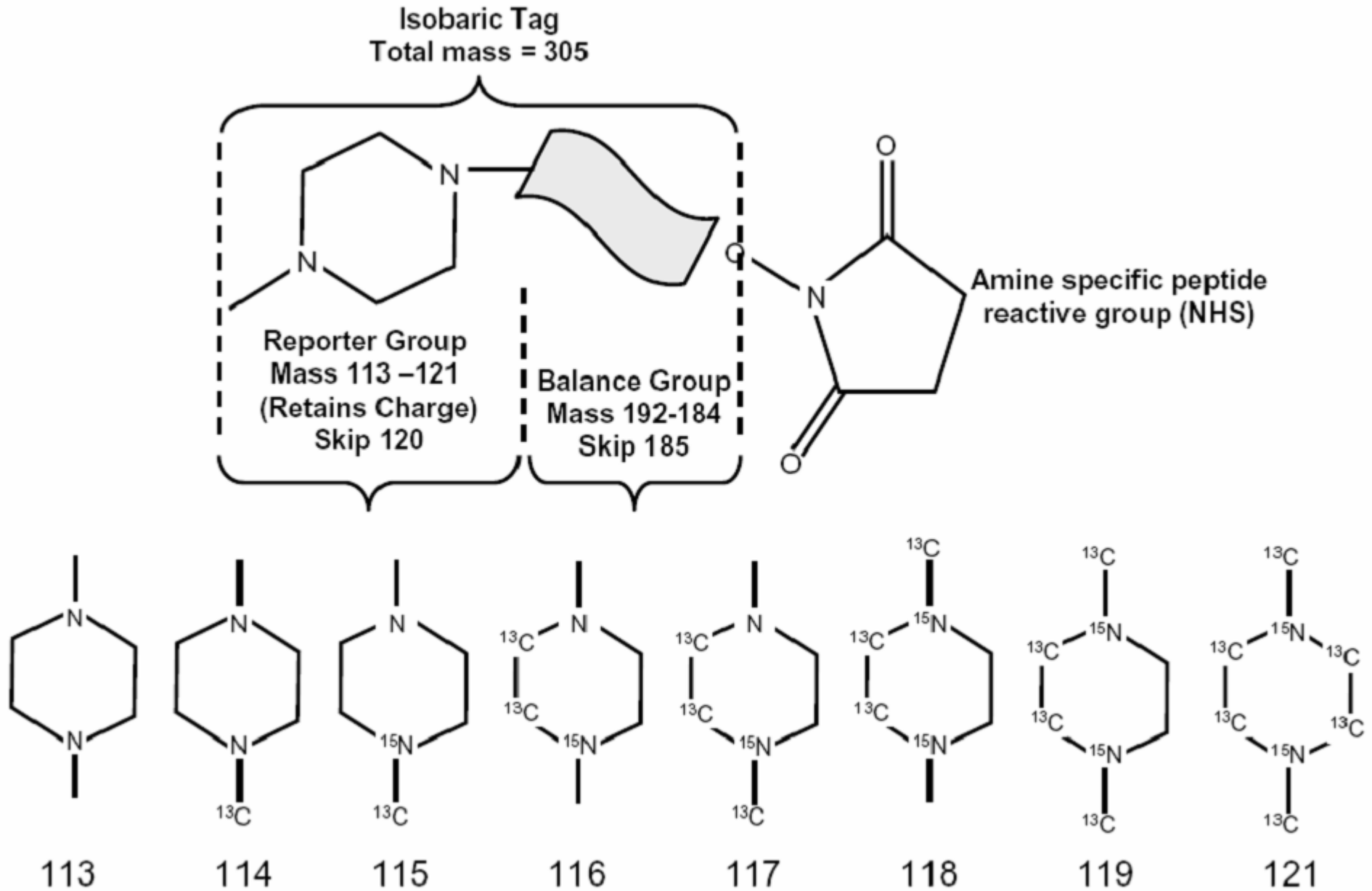
- Labeling group: cysteines
- Metals used: ^{159}Tb ^{165}Ho ^{169}Tm and ^{175}Lu
- Detection limit: 100amole



Isobaric Tags for Relative and Absolute Quantitation (iTRAQ)

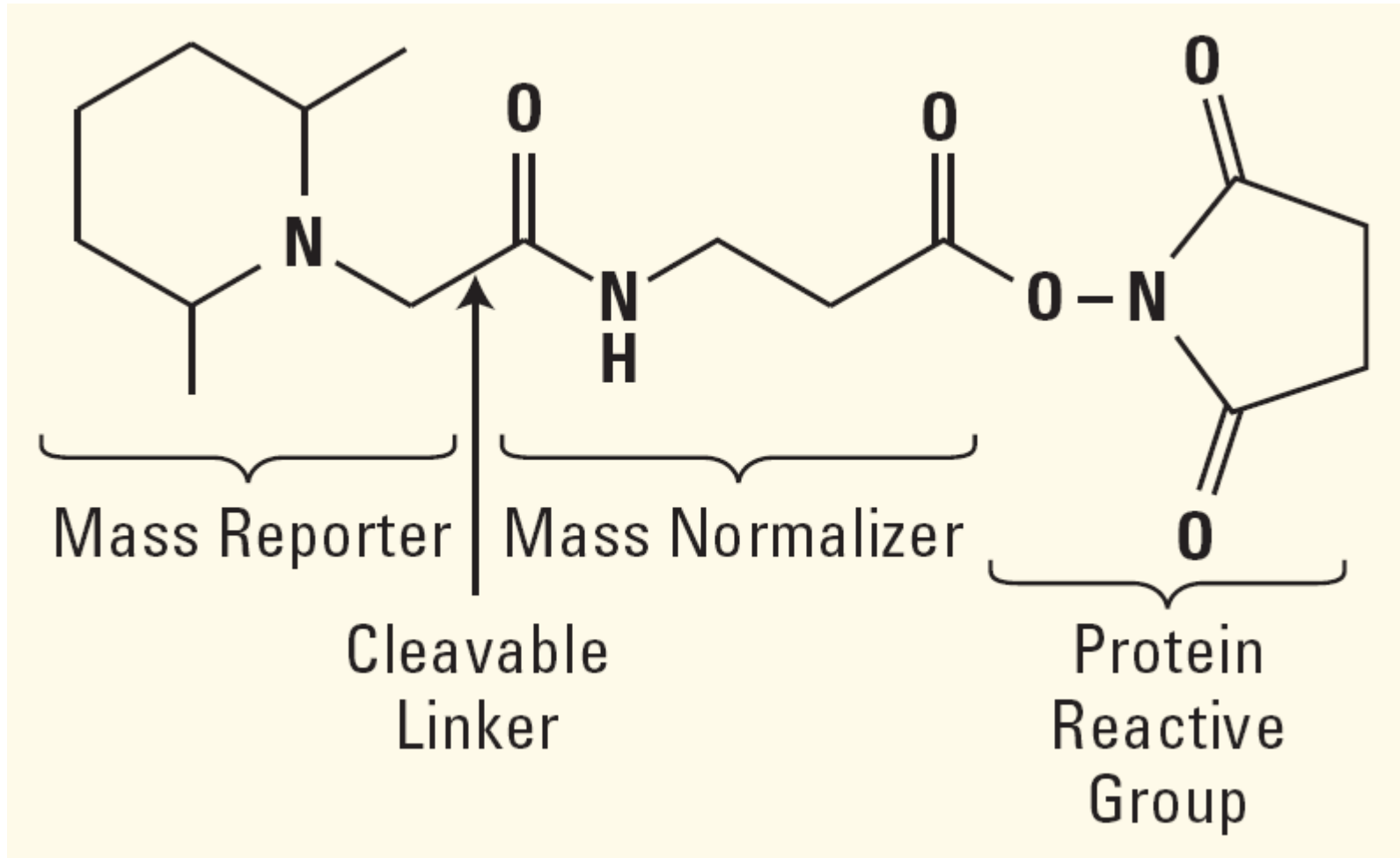


Isobaric Tags for Relative and Absolute Quantitation (iTRAQ)



Tandem Mass Tag (TMT)

6 Channels



MS Instrumentation for iTRAQ

iTRAQ was initially introduced on Q-TOF type instruments

- **MS3** in ion traps

(http://www.thermo.com/eThermo/CMA/PDFs/Various/File_27402.pdf)

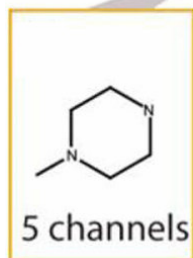
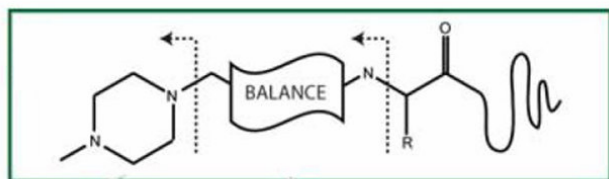
- **PQD** for detecting fragment ions on ion traps

(MCP2008v7p1702)

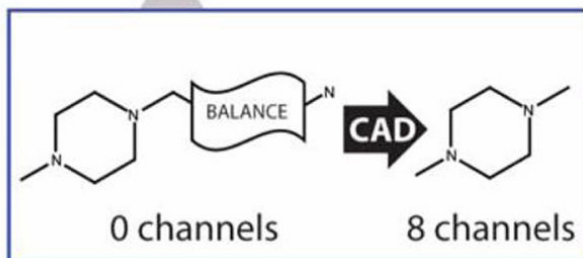
- **HCD** for detection on Orbitraps
LTQ Velos Orbitrap

- **ETD** (or combined with CID) can generate reporter ions

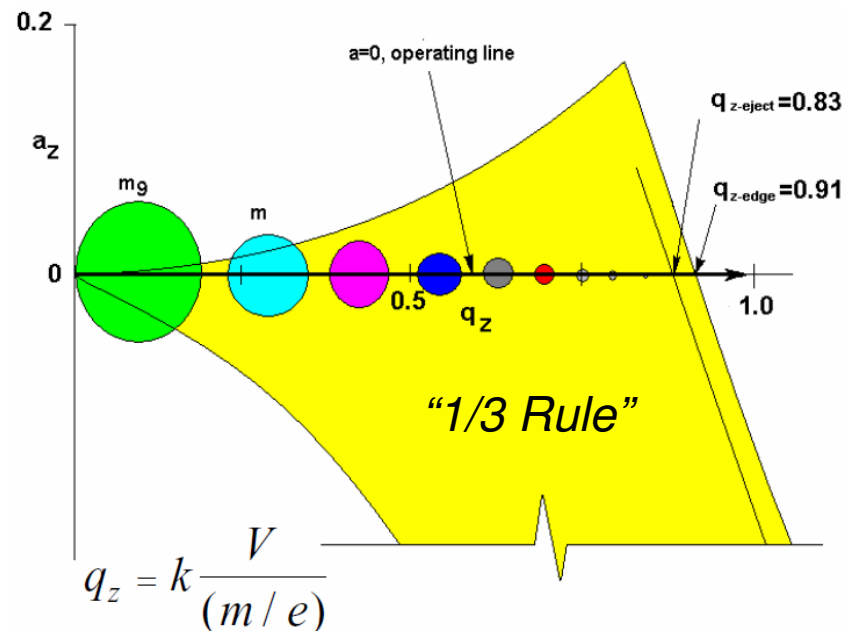
(AnalChem2009v81p1693)



m/z
101-108

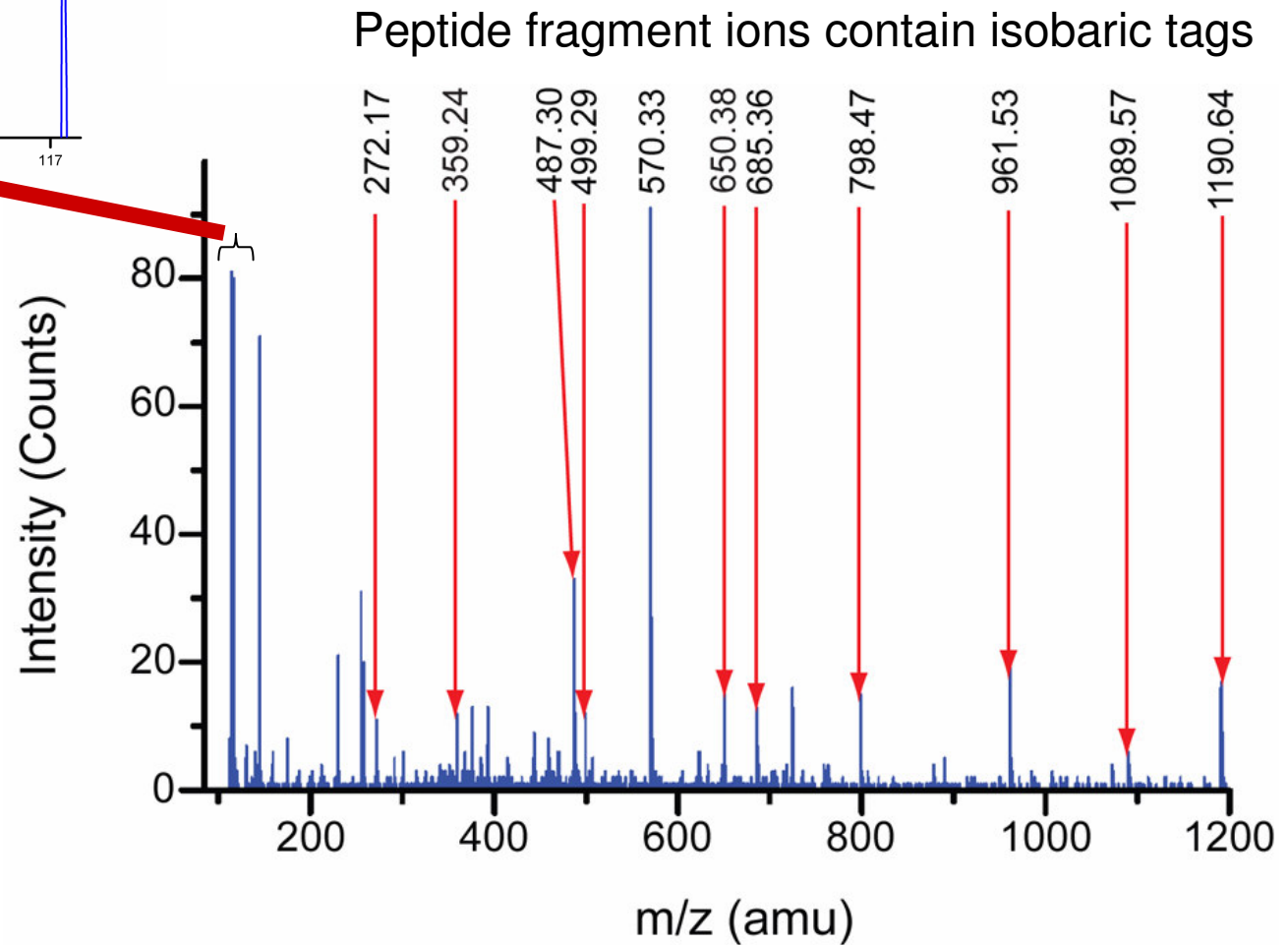
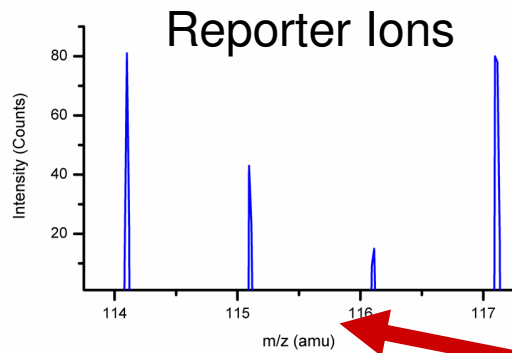


m/z
113-121

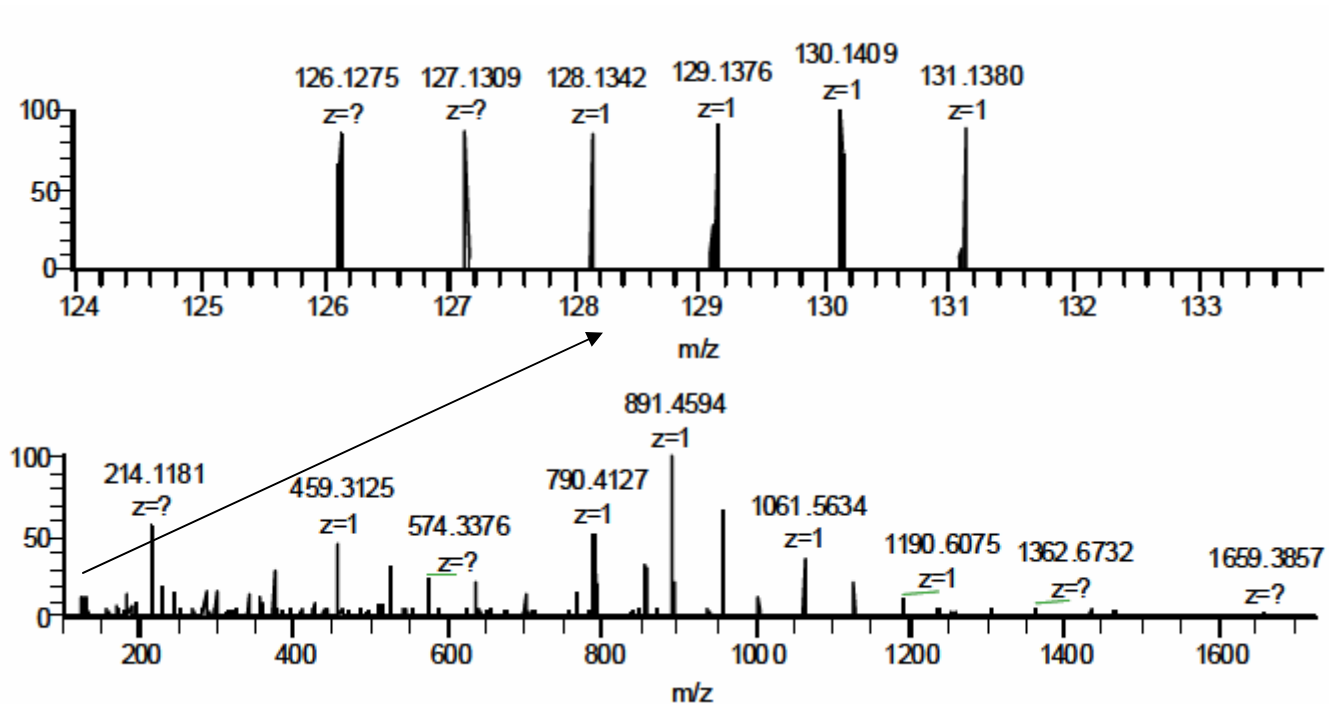


iTRAQ

Both quantification and identification info is contained in MSMS



Quantification with TMT



E. Coli digest

Quantifiable peptides

- 74% (40ng)
- 81% (80ng)

Quantification Errors

- 20% (40ng)
- 15% (80ng)

Mass Spectrometer: Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap Velos

MS Resolution: 60000

MS2 Resolution: 7500

MS AGC target: 1e6

MS/MS AGC target: 5e4

Exclusion mass tolerance: 10 ppm

Injection Time FTMS/MS: 200 ms

Full MS mass range: 400–1400 *m/z*

MS/MS Mass range: 100–2000 *m/z*

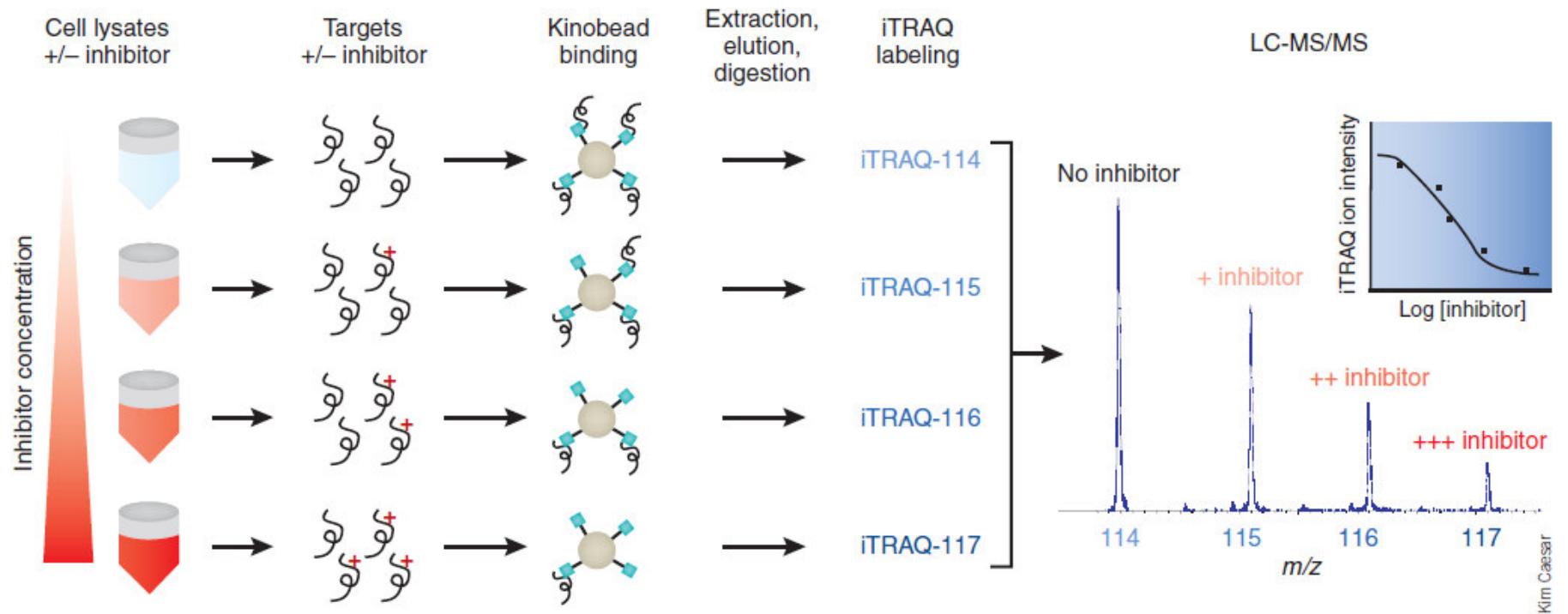
Isolation 1.2 Da

MS/MS Events: Full MS in Orbitrap followed by top ten data dependent HCD MS/MS

CE for HCD: 45%

iTRAQ

Quantification of Phosphorylation Levels

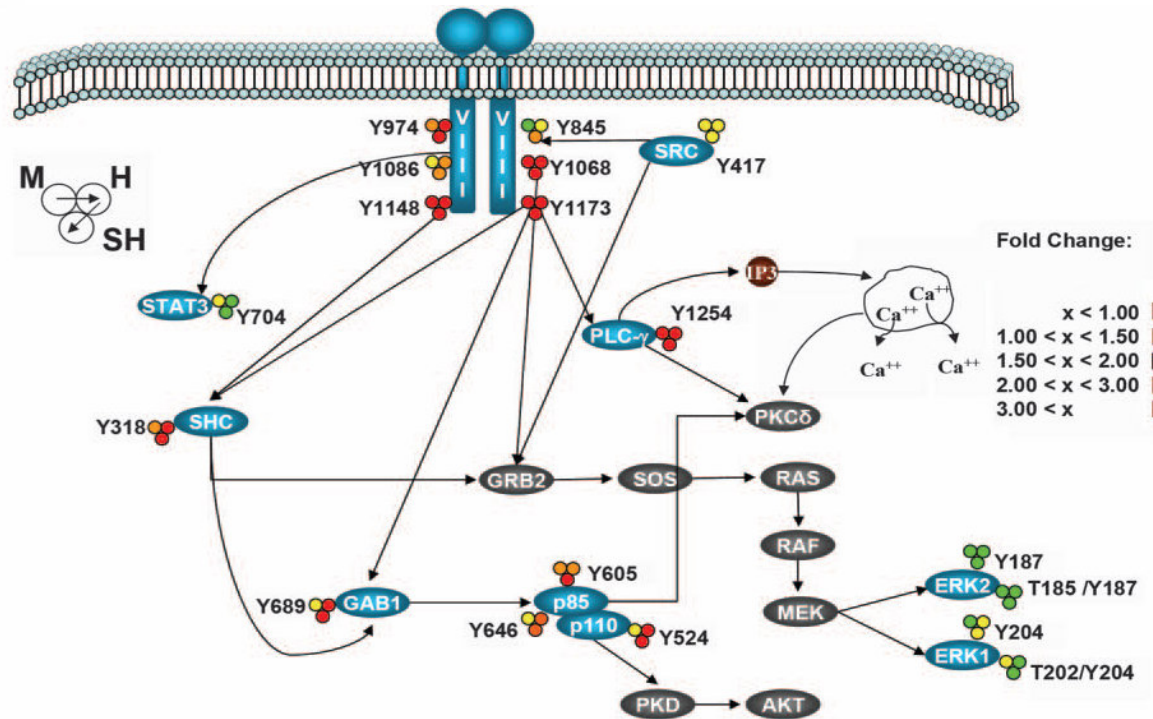
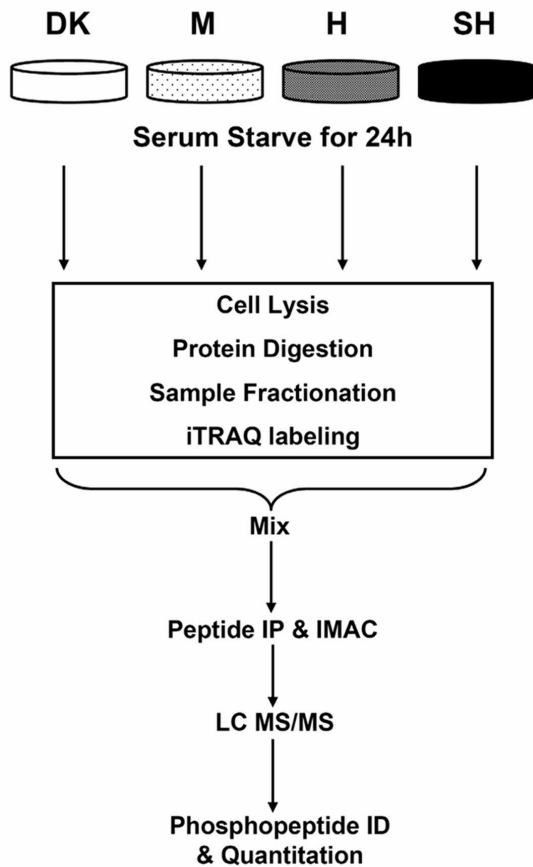


Kinobeads: ~1000 kinase inhibitors
 (<http://www.cellzome.com/files/kinobeads.pdf>)

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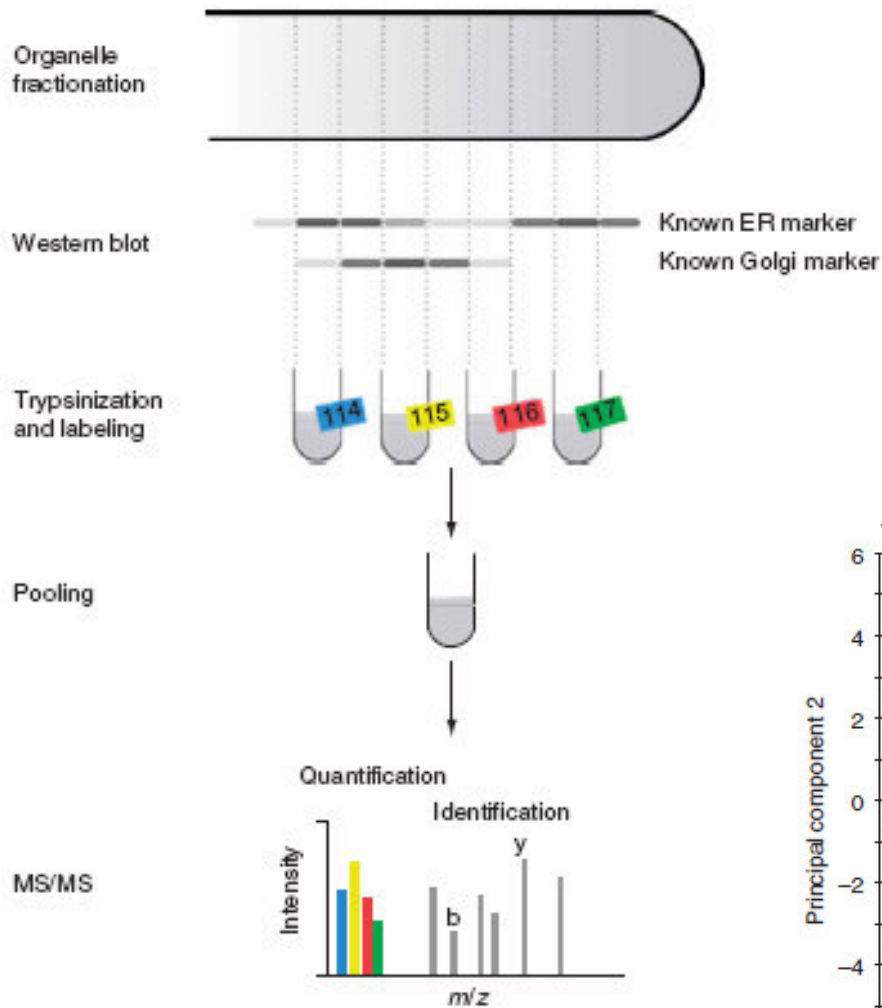
Phosphorylation Levels and Signaling Pathways

EGFR pathways: Different receptor level in U87MG glioblastoma cell lines

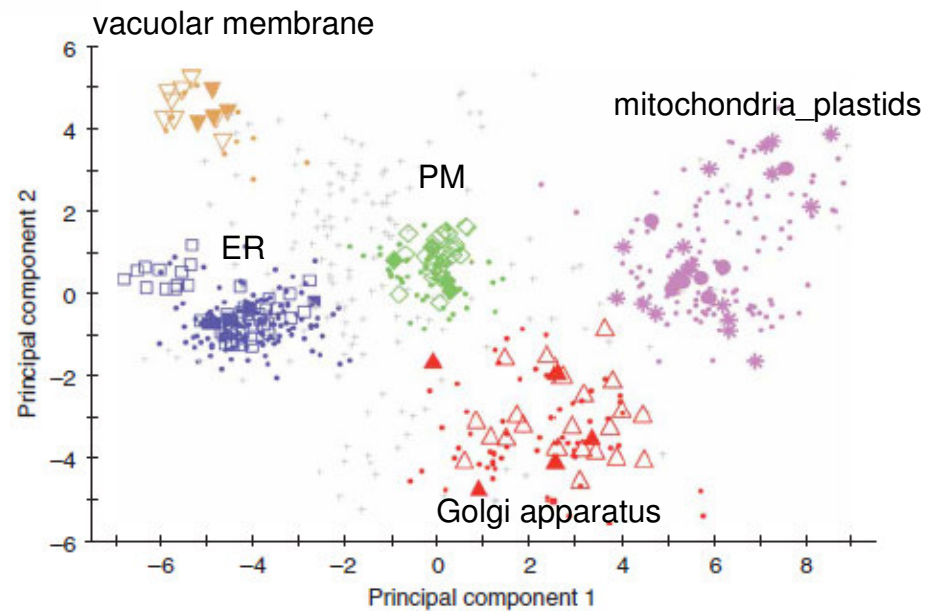


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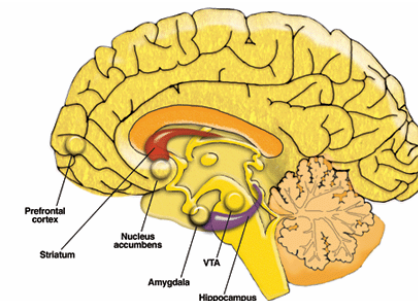
localization of organelle proteins by isotope tagging (LOPIT)



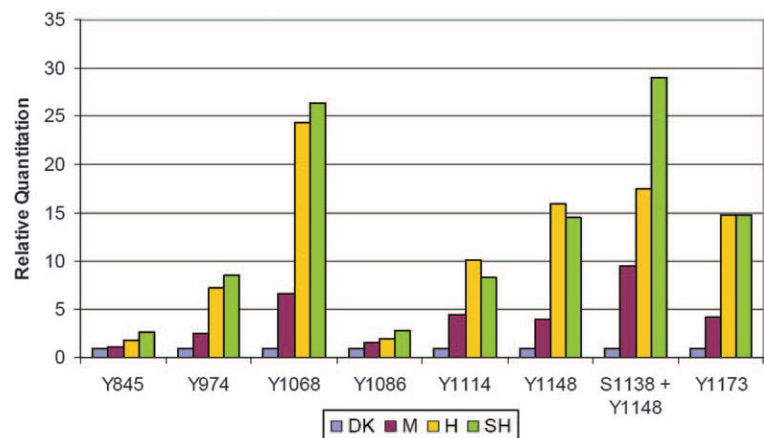
Principal component analysis (PCA)
Reduction of dimensions



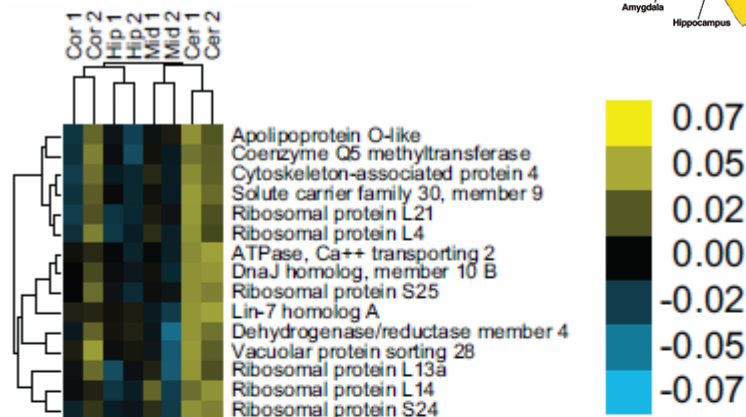
Quantification Data Analysis – Clustering Analysis



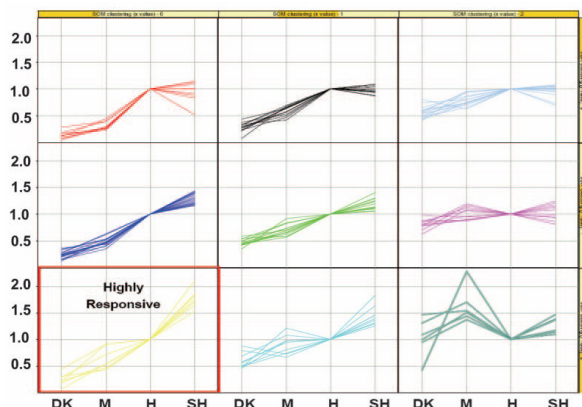
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Self Organized Maps (SOM)



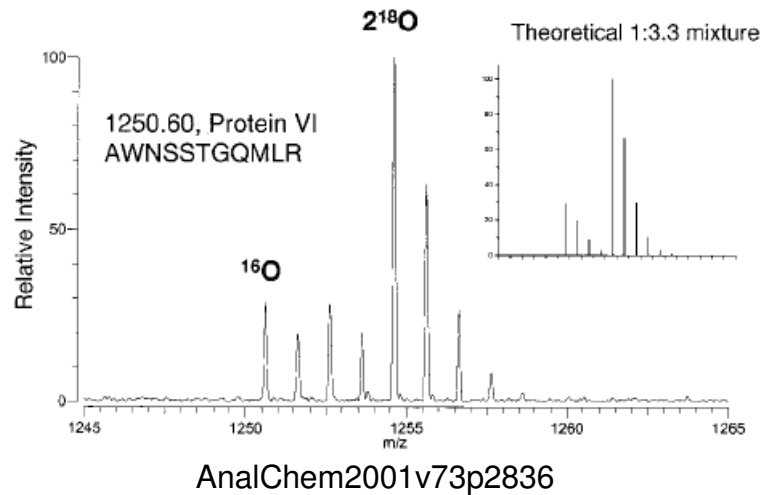
Hierarchical Clustering

Unigene	Candidate Interactors	Pearson Correlation	Cor 1	Cor 2	Hip 1	Hip 2	Mid 1	Mid 2	Cer 1	Cer 2
Mm.334658 Mm.260938	Calcium channel, alpha 1A Plakophilin 4	0.963	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.4424 Mm.34977	Calcium channel, alpha 1B Neuron navigator 1	0.989	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.235182 Mm.384353	CaMK II, gamma Neurobeachin	0.994	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.336569 Mm.277235	Brain-specific angiogenesis inhibitor 3 Liprin, alpha 3	0.990	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.330223 Mm.339755	Calcium channel, beta 4 Flightless I homolog	0.959	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.240421 Mm.27005	Ubiquitin specific peptidase 30 Visinin-like 1	0.964	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.89320 Mm.38009	Glycine receptor, alpha 1 Phospholipase C, beta 4	0.994	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05
Mm.200497 Mm.291463	enoyl-Coenzyme A hydratase, alpha enoyl-Coenzyme A hydratase, beta	0.995	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05	~0.05

Reference: PNAS1998v95p14863

Freeware: <http://rana.lbl.gov/EisenSoftware.htm>

Proteolytic ^{18}O Labeling



Trypsin introduces a mixture of one and two ^{18}O incorporated peptides

LysN incorporates a single ^{18}O at high pH

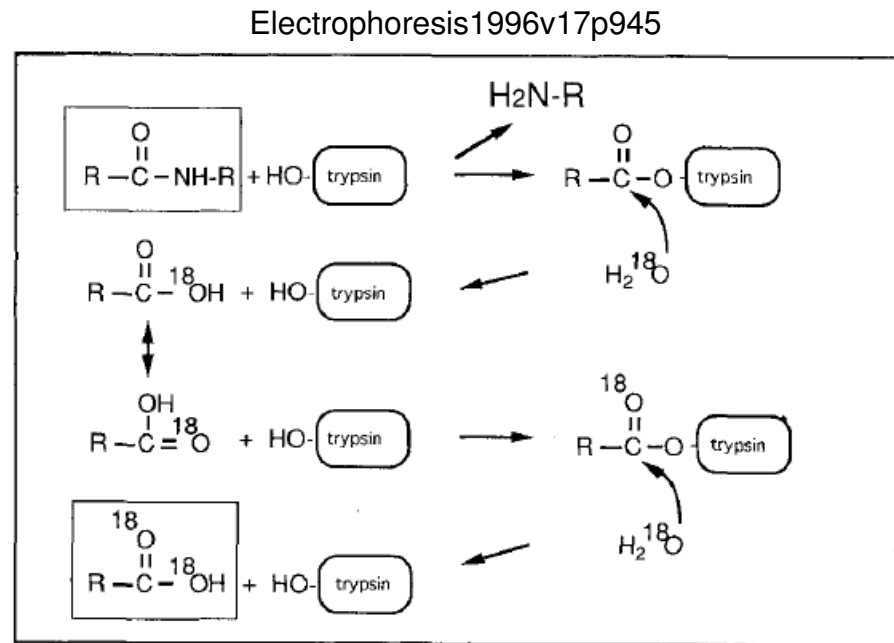
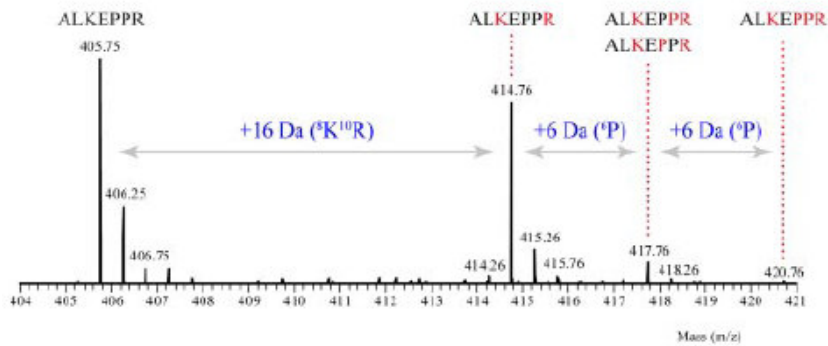


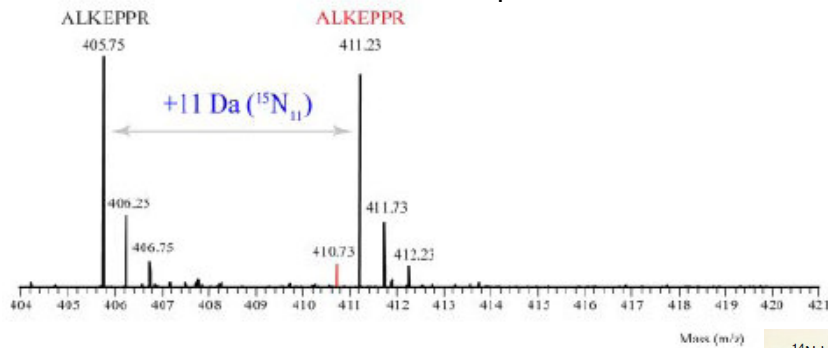
Figure 2. Mechanism of trypsin-catalyzed incorporation of ^{18}O into proteolytic fragments. One atom of ^{18}O is introduced by the reaction leading to cleavage of the peptide bond. A second ^{18}O atom is introduced by repeated binding/hydrolysis cycles with the proteolytic peptide fragment as a pseudosubstrate.

Metabolic Stable Isotope Labeling

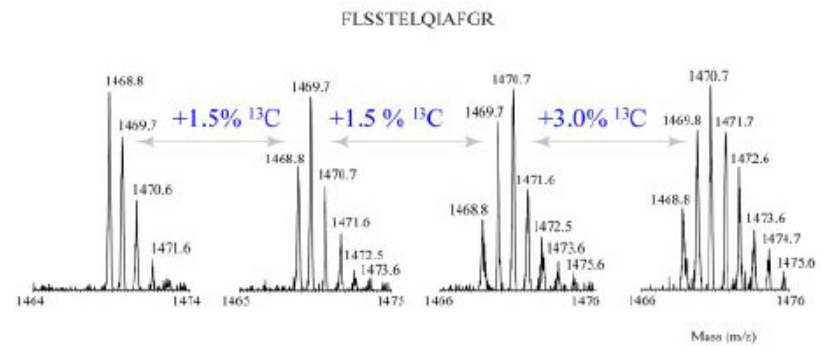
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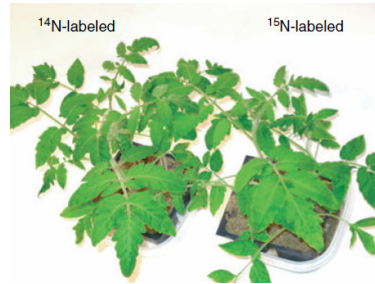
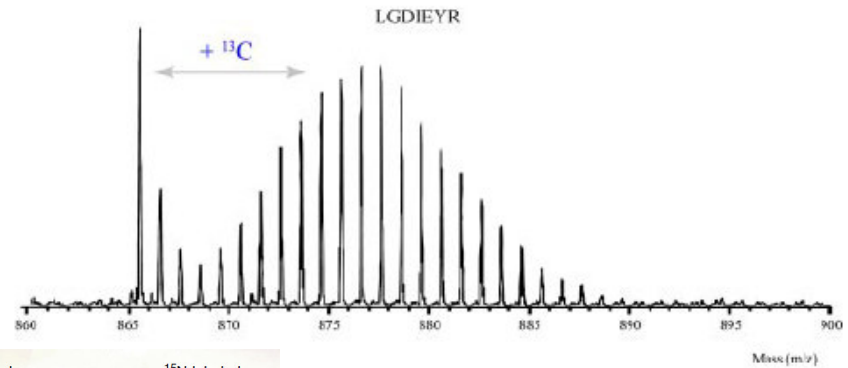
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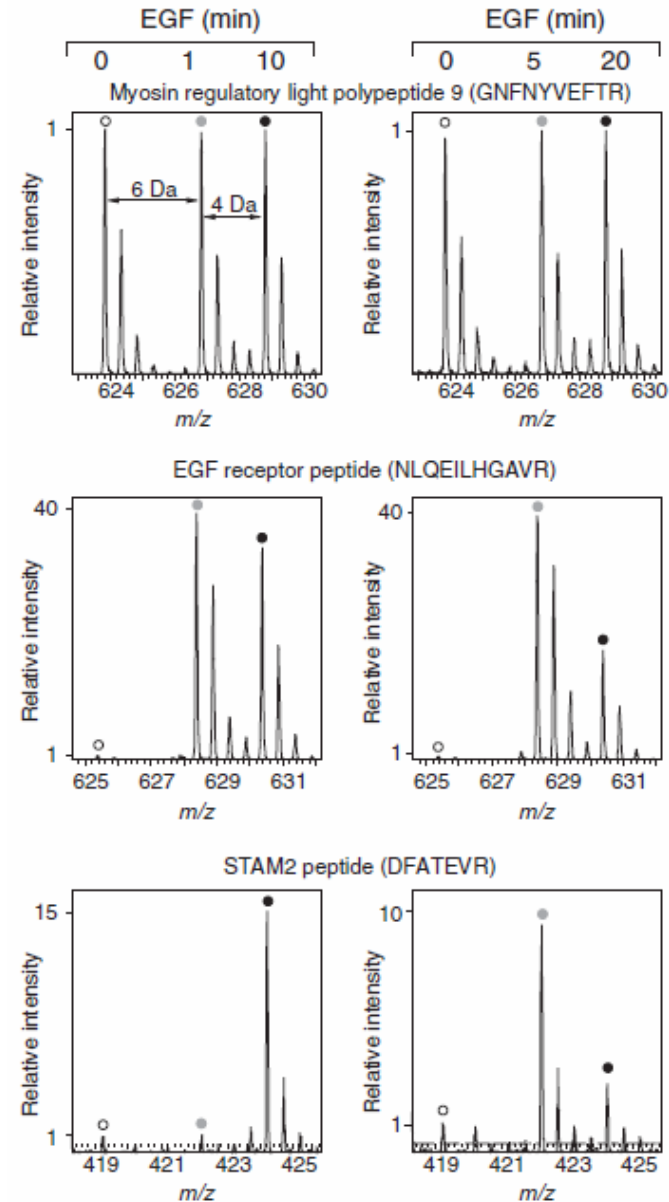
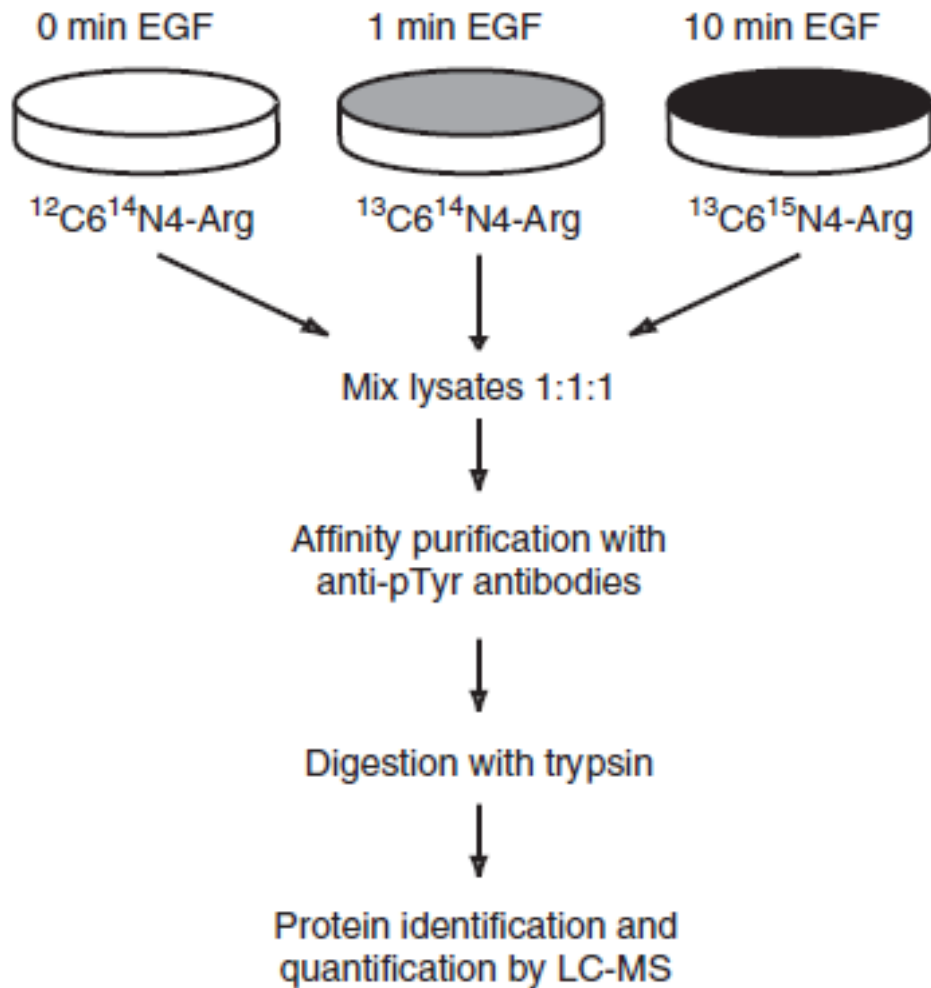


D Synthesis/Degradation Ratio Mass Spectrometry



Metabolic Stable Isotope Labeling

Stable Isotope Labeling by Amino Acids in Cell Culture (SILAC)



Multiple Reaction Monitoring(MRM)

Term coined by Cooks et al in 1978

(AnalChem1978v50p2017)

Used by pharmaceutical industry for years

Drug metabolites analysis

Performance improved by introduction of Qtrap instruments

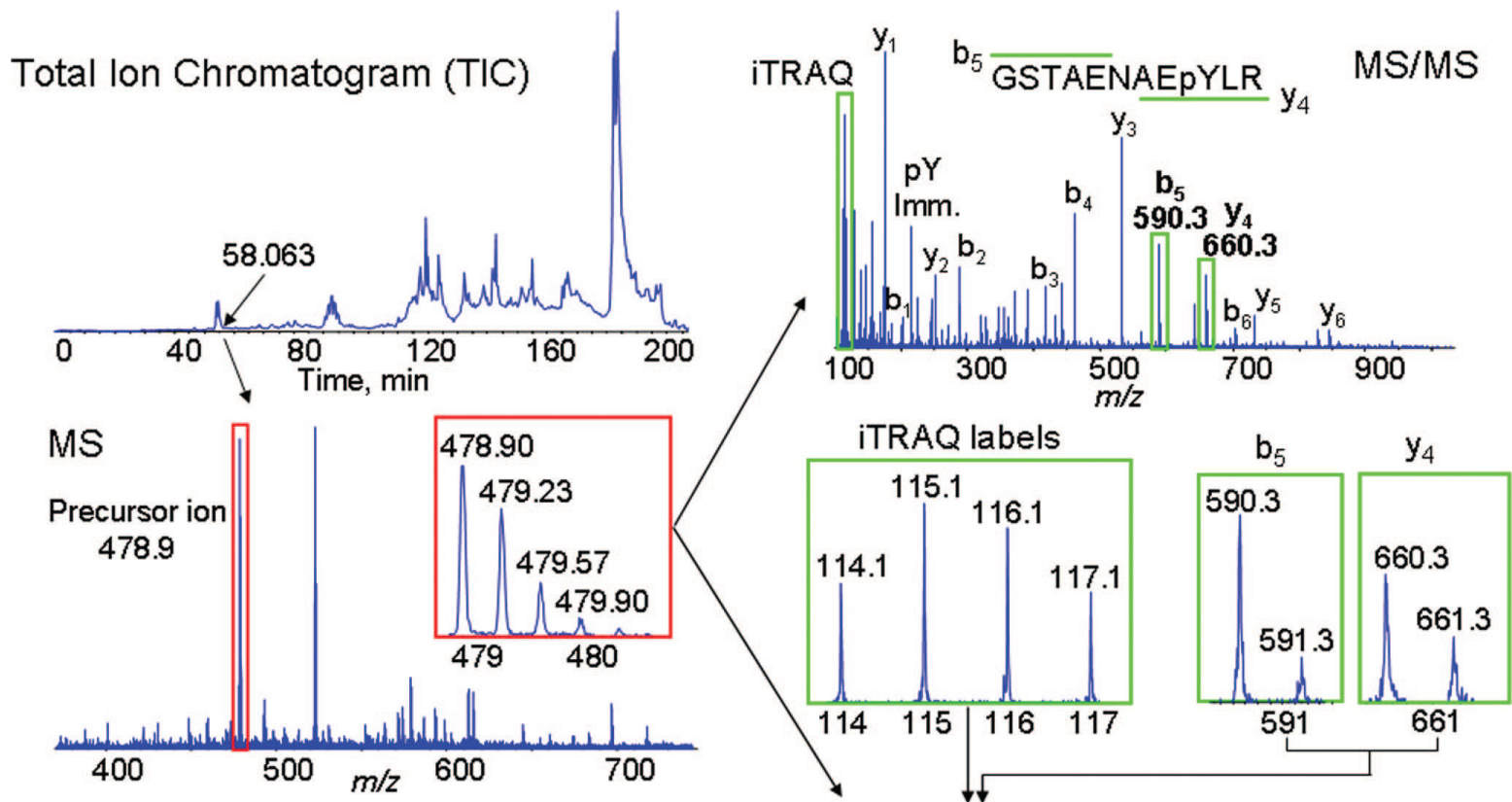
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Modern instruments have MRM dwell time of 5msec

Sensitivity of <1fmole

Multiple Reaction Monitoring(MRM)

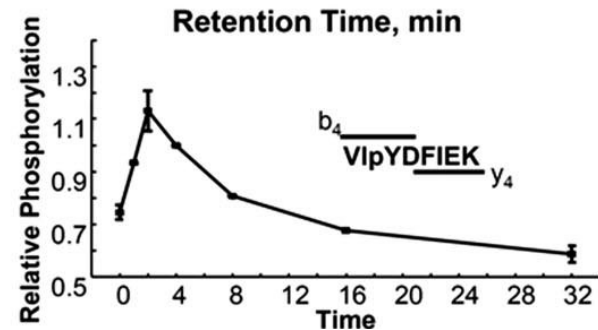
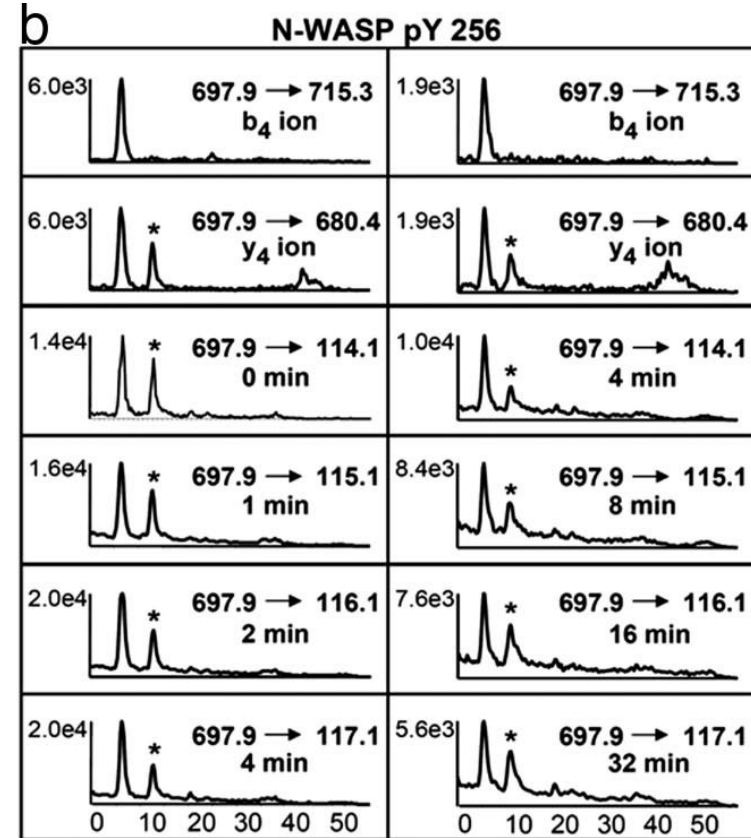
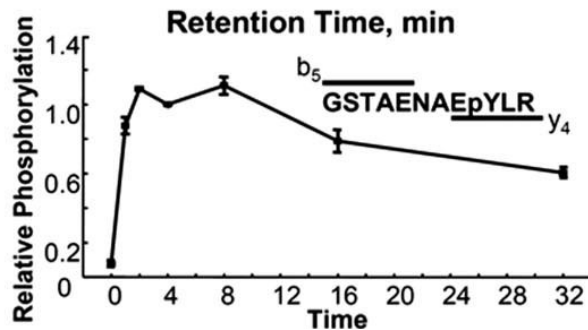
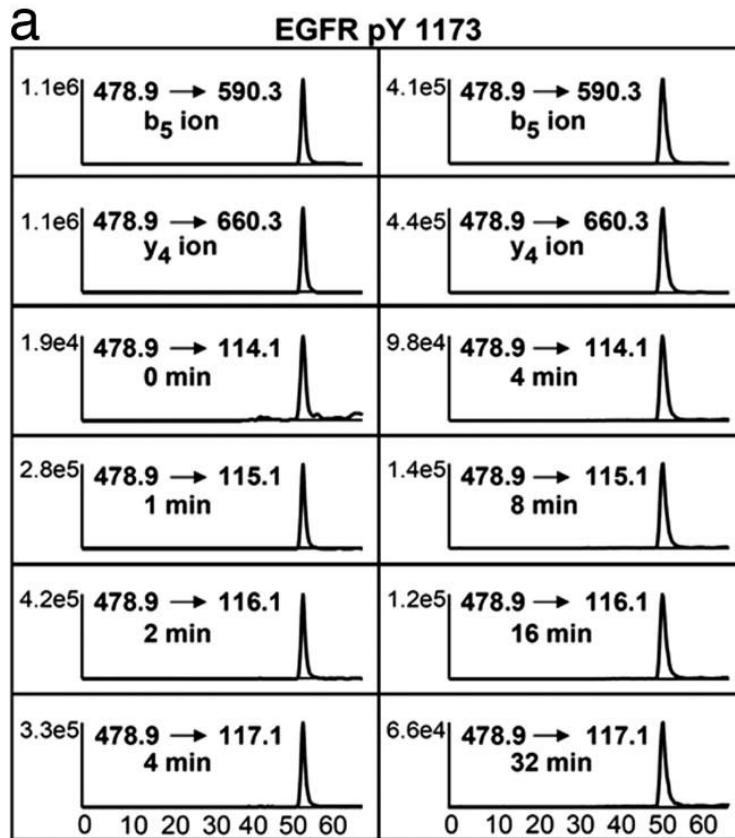
information-dependent acquisition (IDA) to MRM Transitions



Parameters to build MRM Acquisition Method								
Protein	Peptide	pY	Elution Order	Prec. Ion	Frag. Ion	CE (V)	Time (ms)	Ion
EGFR	GSTAENAEpYLR	1173	15	478.9	590.3	27	30	b5
EGFR	GSTAENAEpYLR	1173	15	478.9	660.3	27	30	y4
EGFR	GSTAENAEpYLR	1173	15	478.9	114.1	41	30	iTRAQ
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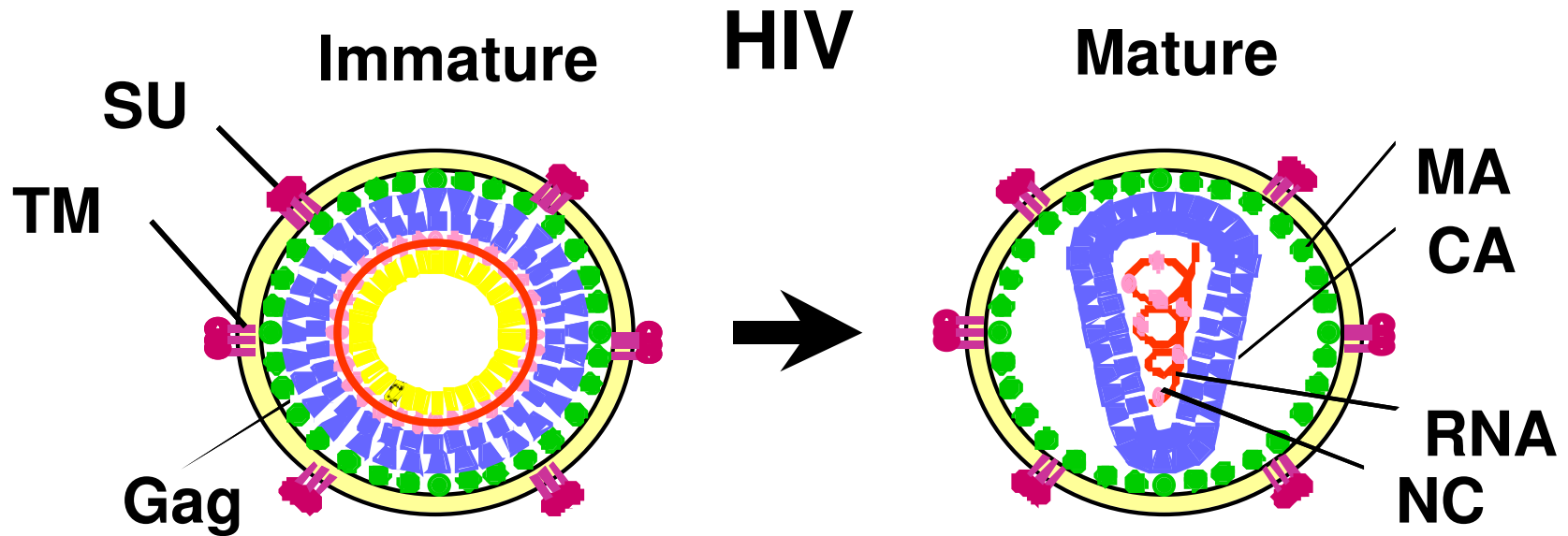
Multiple Reaction Monitoring(MRM)

Specificity of MRM Transitions – Fragment Ion Coelution



Hydrogen/Deuterium Exchange

Study of High Order Protein Structures

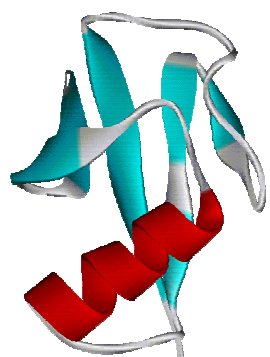


Gag (55 kDa)



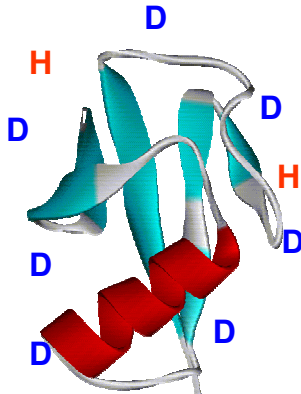
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Protein or Complex

Dilute 10 fold
w/ D₂O
buffer



H/D exchange

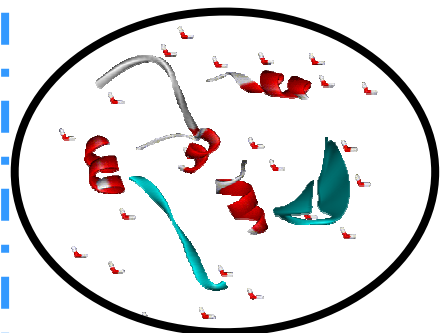
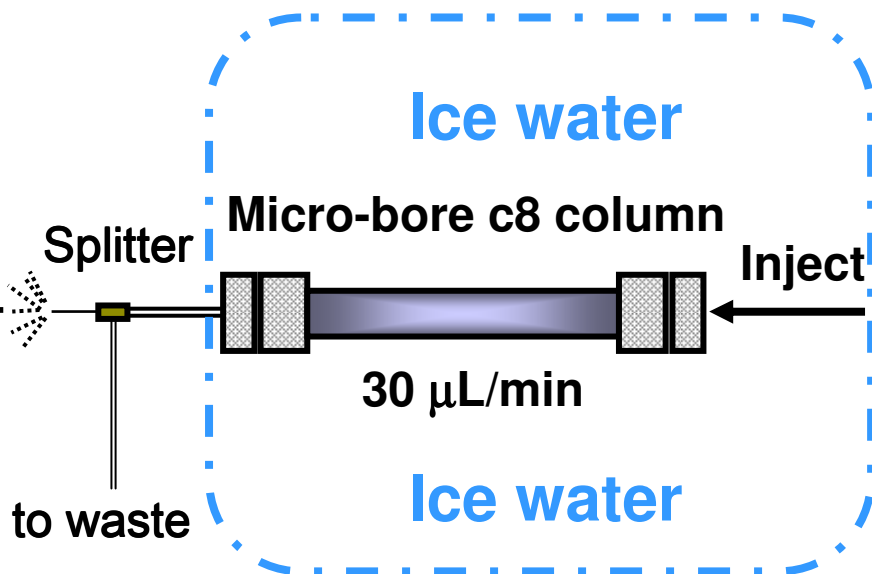
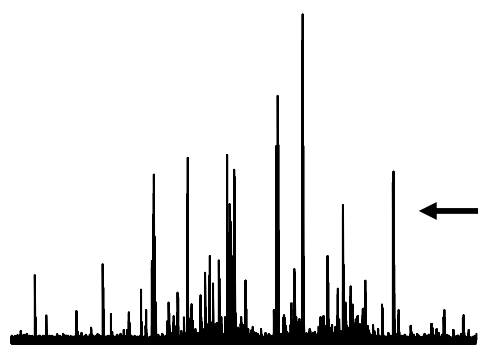
Quench
pD 2.5 ~ 3.0

Freeze in
liquid N₂
& store
at -70 °C

Digest with
pepsin in ice
water for 3 min

Thaw
on ice

Online LC/FT-ICR MS



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Peptic Peptides Cover 95% of CA Primary AA Sequence

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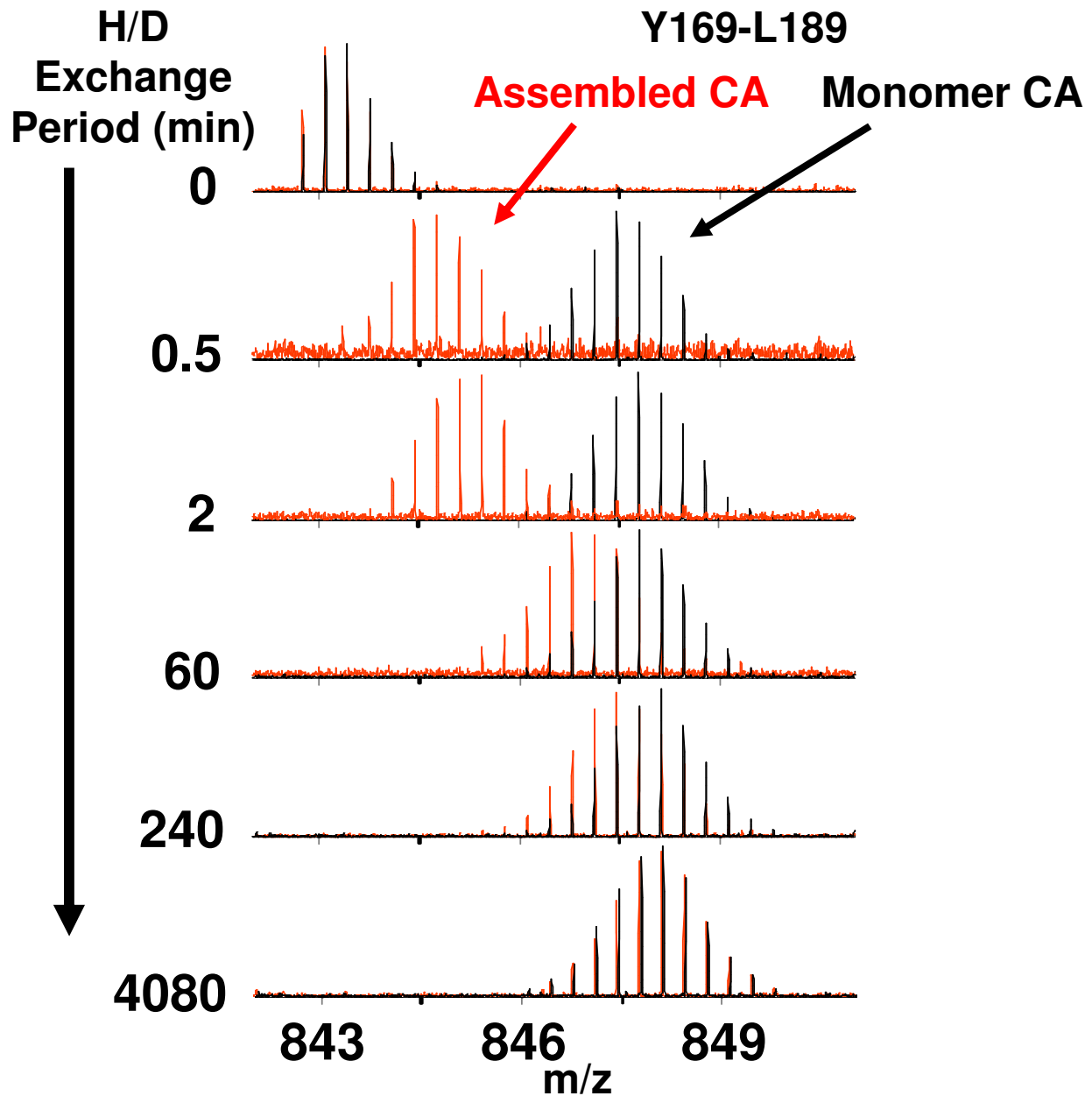
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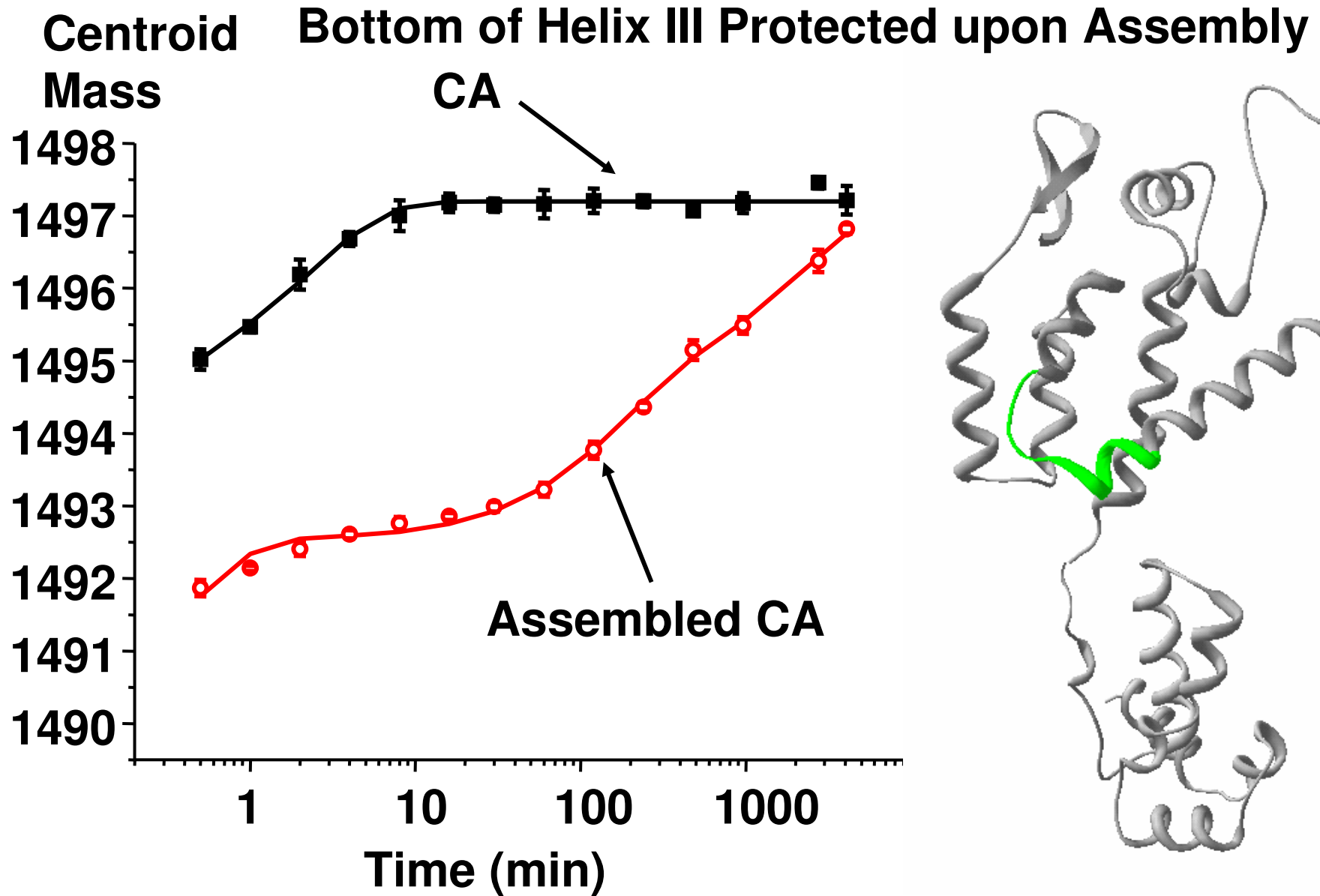
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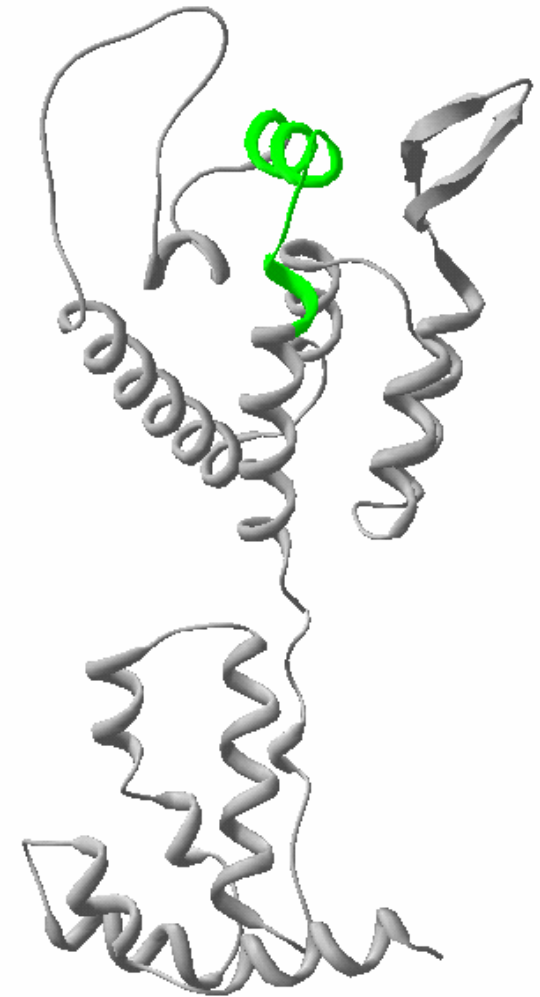
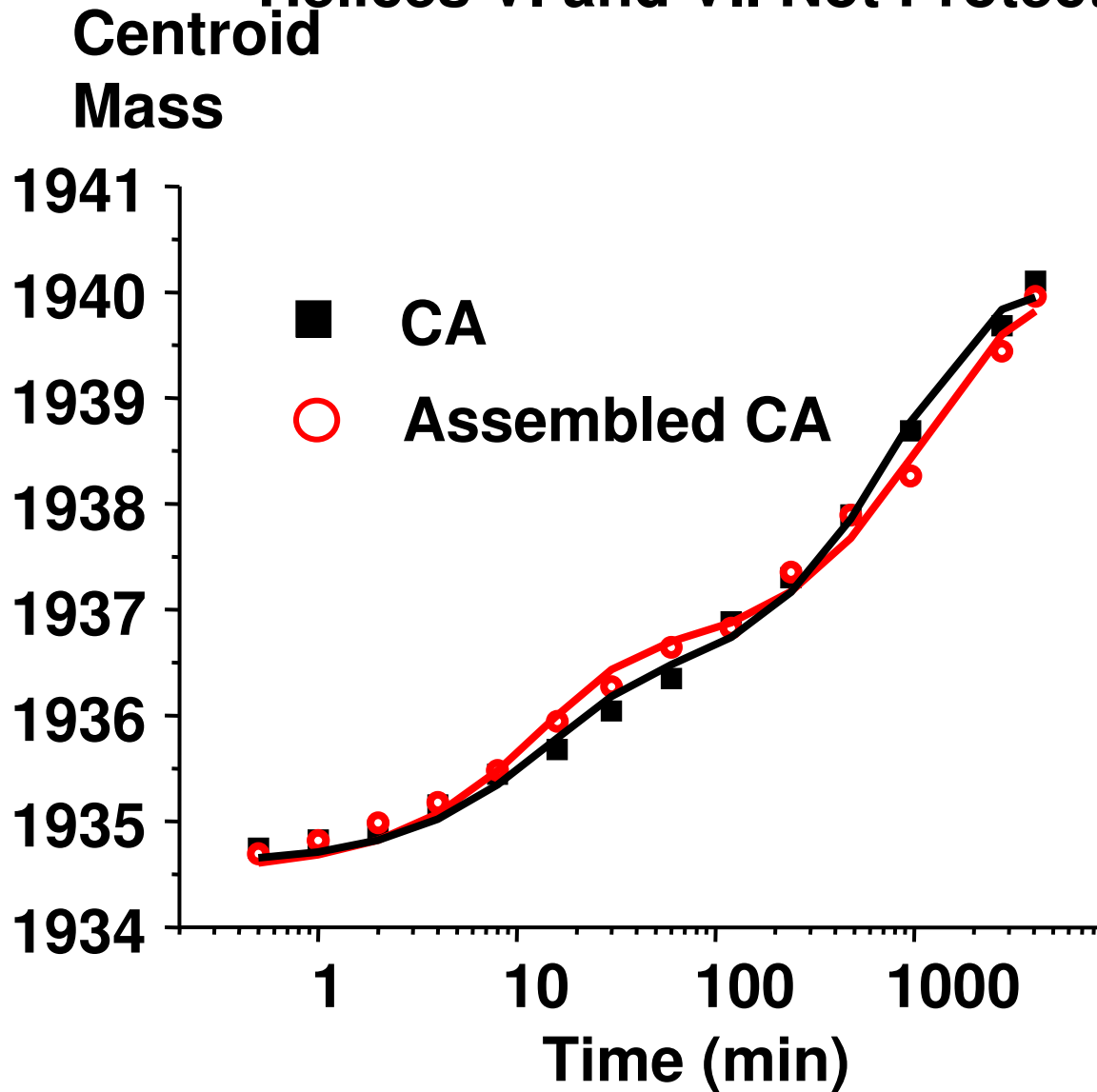
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Helices VI and VII Not Protected upon Assembly

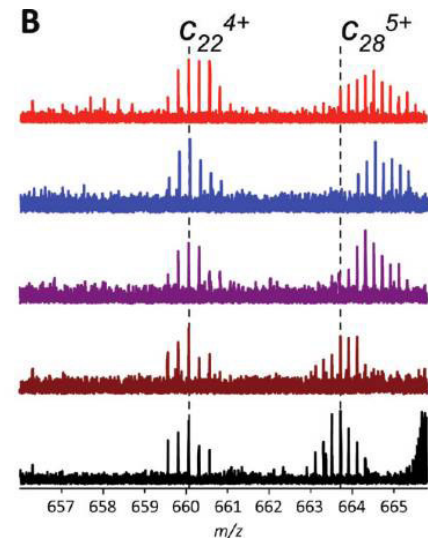
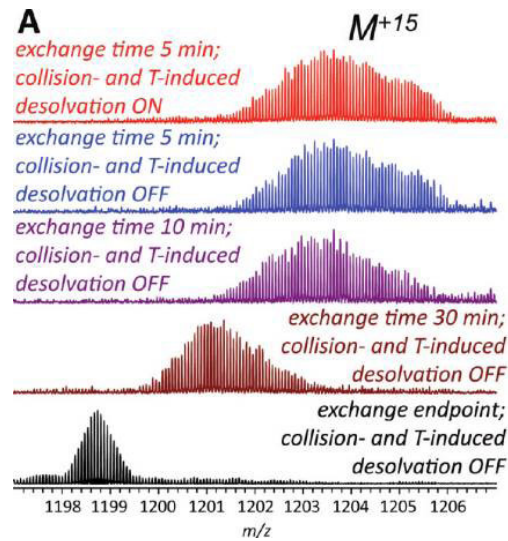
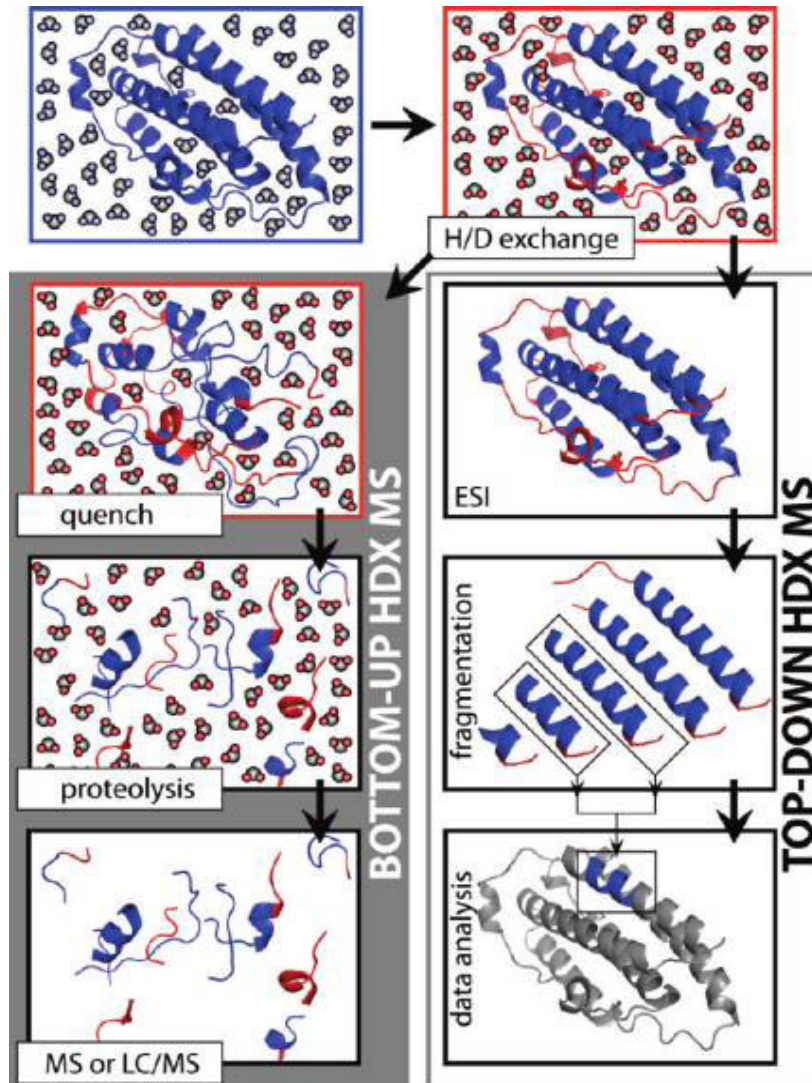


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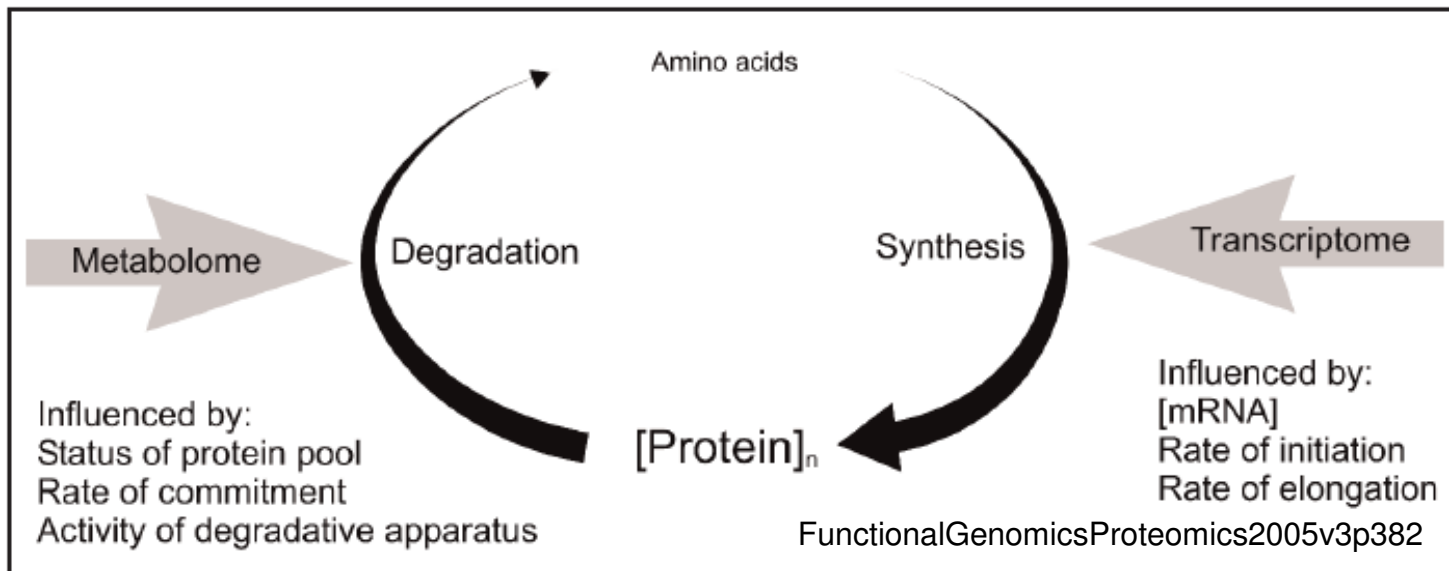
H/D by Topdown Analysis

Fully deuterated protein
+
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Dynamic Proteomics

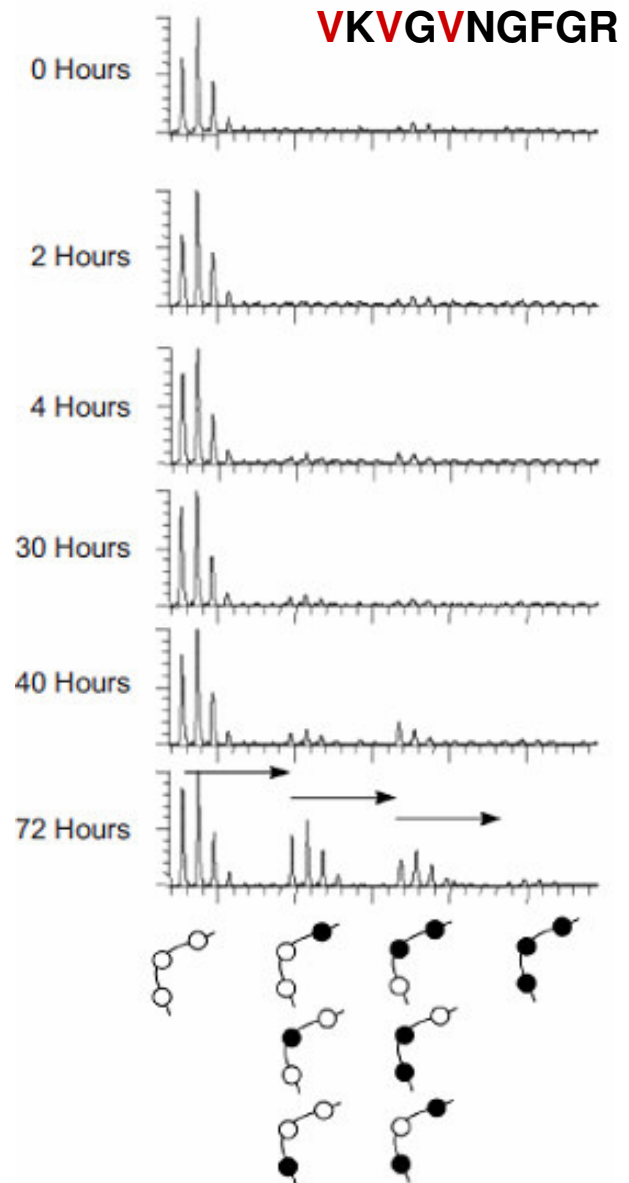
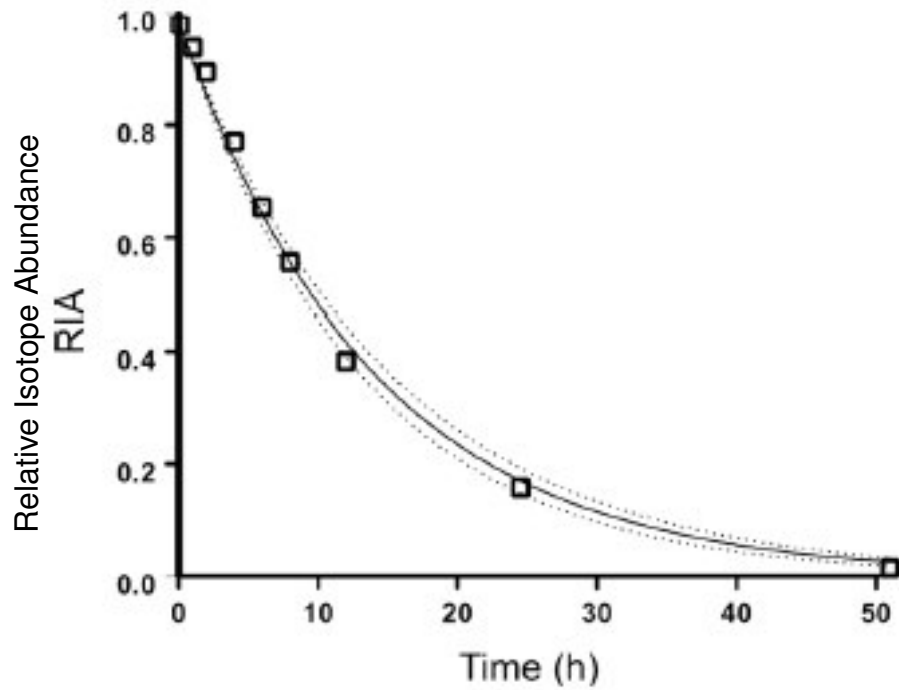
Study Protein Turnover on A Proteomic Scale



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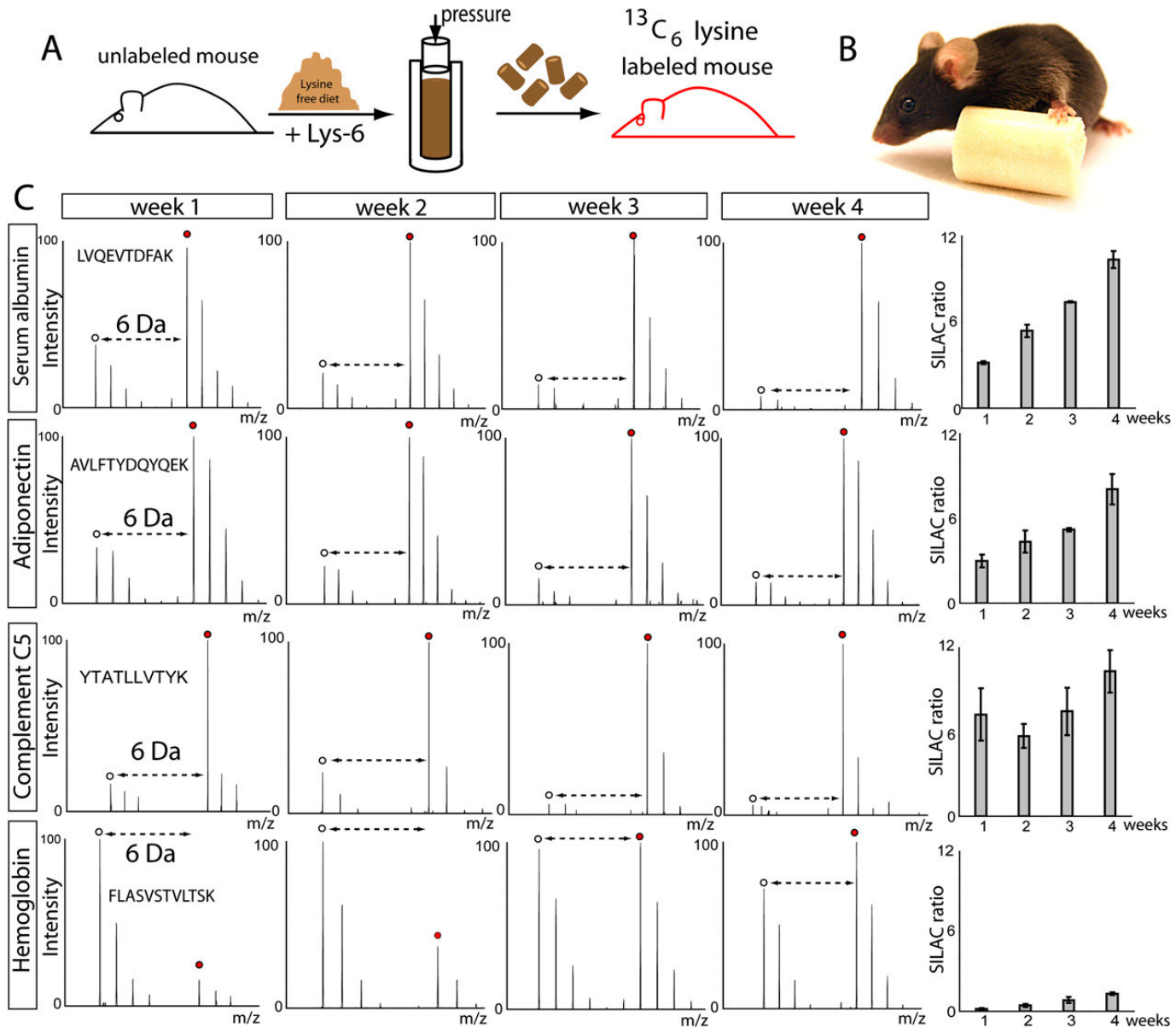
Dynamic SILAC

Chicken fed with stable isotope labeled valine



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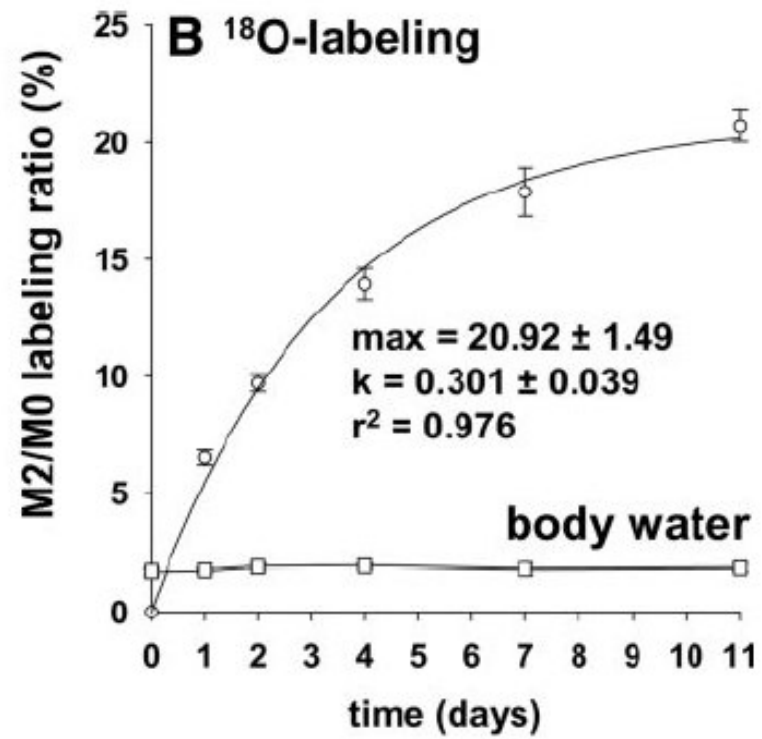
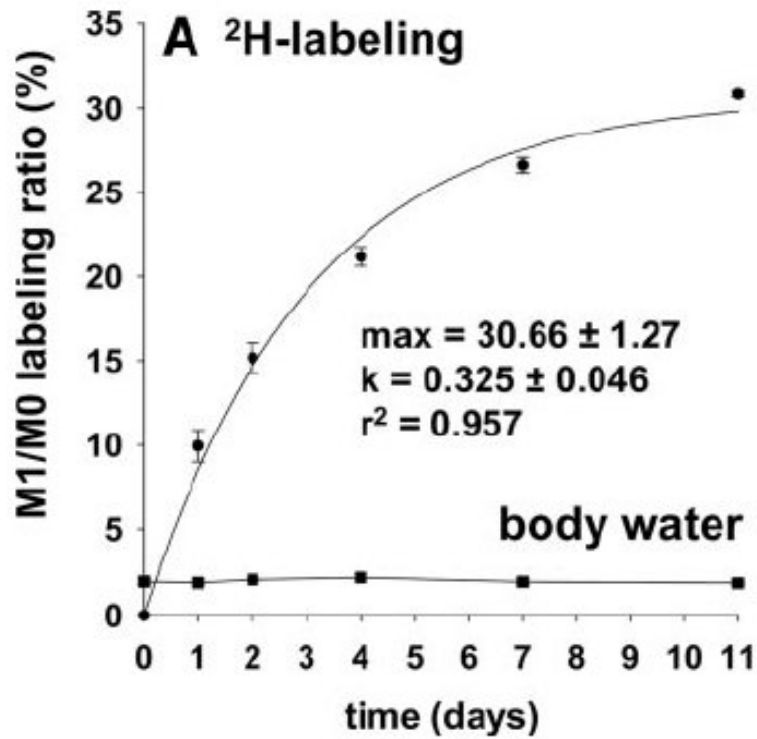
SILAC Mouse



Dynamic Proteomics

Water Labeling

incorporation of ^2H or ^{18}O into plasma albumin
by bolus injection



Conclusions

- Label free quantification was originated and is still driven by biomarker discovery
- Absolute quantification is possible with spiked-in or QconCAT calibrant peptides
- SILAC allows mixing at protein level
- iTRAQ has been widely used for studying signaling pathways
- Dynamics of a proteome can be probed by metabolic labeling