

BMG 744 Proteomics-Mass Spectrometry

Quantitative analysis of the proteome

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The ASMS 1996-2007



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Proteomics Data Standards

- 2005 MCP - Paris guidelines
- 2008 HUPO – MIAPE (**Minimum Information About a Proteomics Experiment**) and mzML
- 2008 NCI - Amsterdam principles
 - (1) timing, (2) comprehensiveness, (3) format, (4) deposition to repositories, (5) quality metrics, and (6) responsibility for proteomics data release.
- 2011 NCI – Sydney
 - For users of public data
 - Reviewers of journals
 - Multi-site projects with unpublished data
- 2013 HUPO Proteomics Standards Initiative
 - <http://www.psidev.info/>

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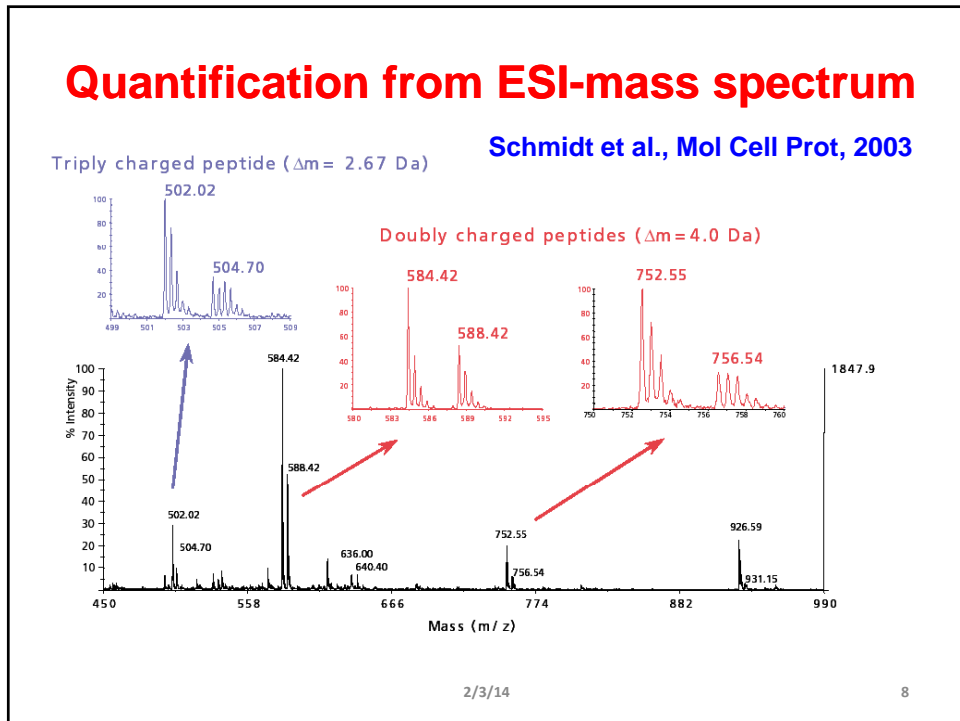
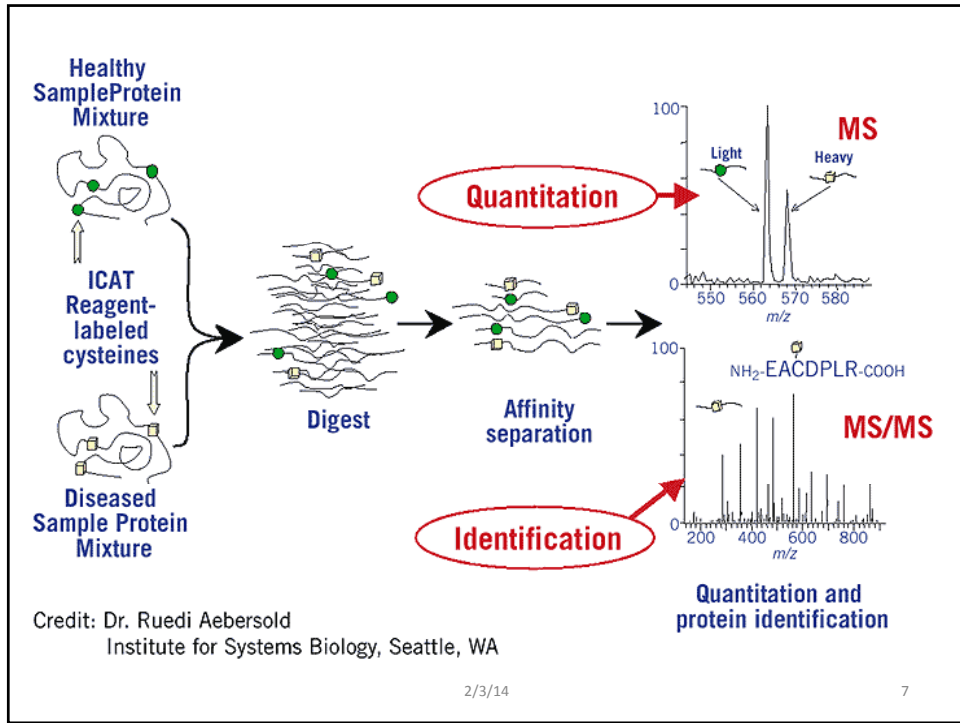
Proteomics Data Standards

- Common descriptive terms
- Sufficient experimental description
- Data format
- Data quality
 - Mass accuracy (evidence of calibration)
 - Repeatability (technical and biological replicates)
 - False discovery rate (MRM and pseudoMRM)
 - Degeneracy of MRM
 - # of peptides to make a match
- Reference materials

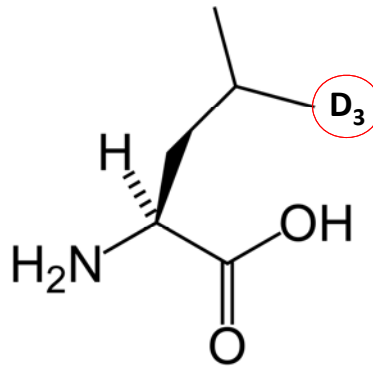
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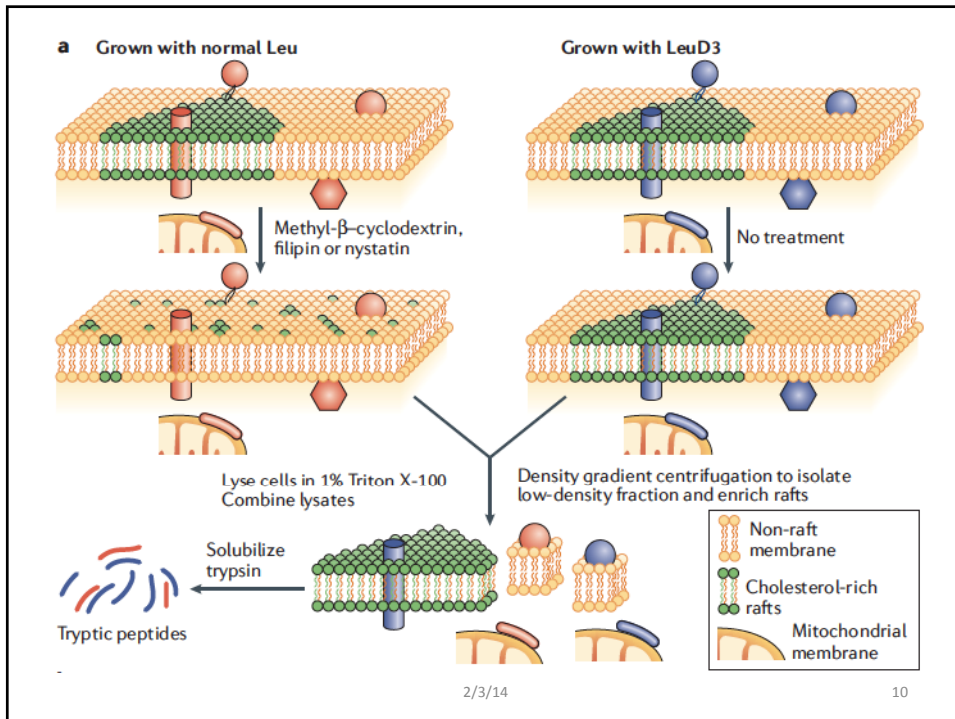


Quantification with isotopically labeled amino acids



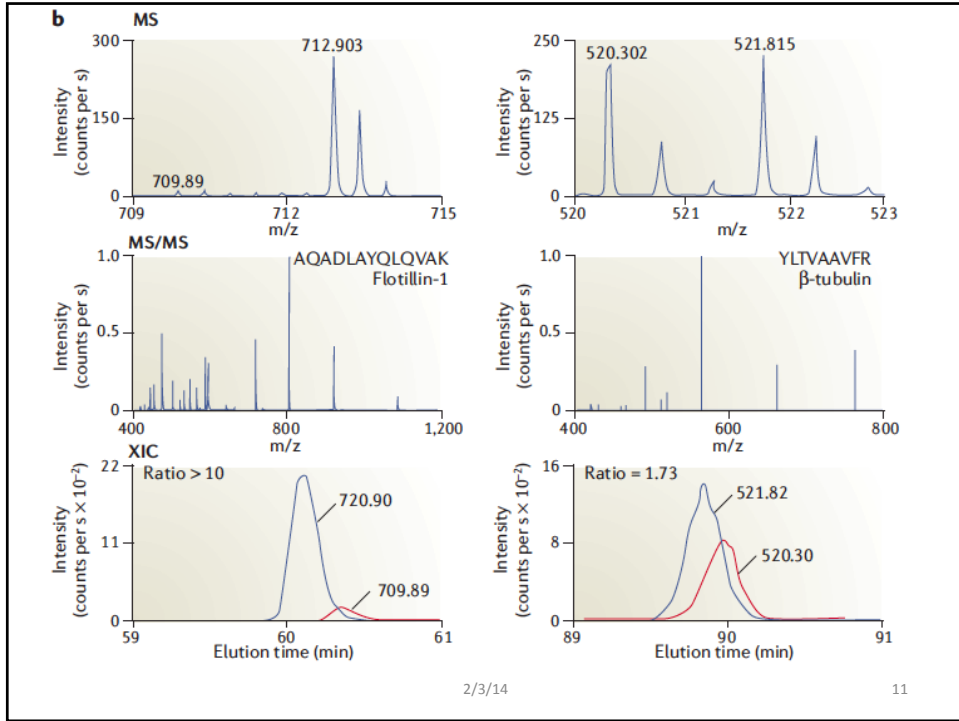
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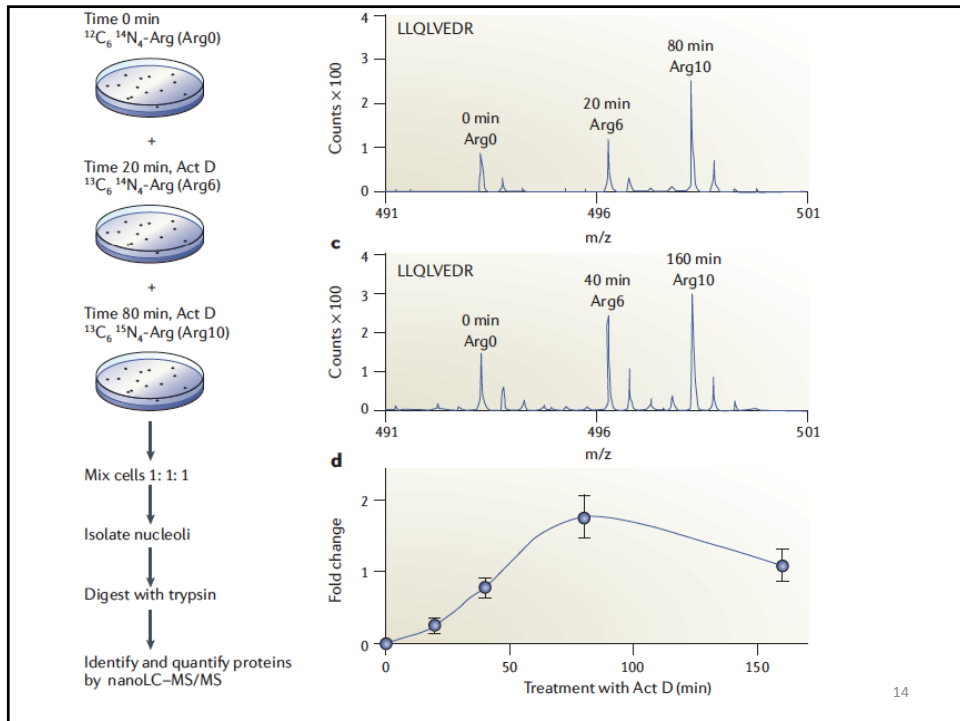
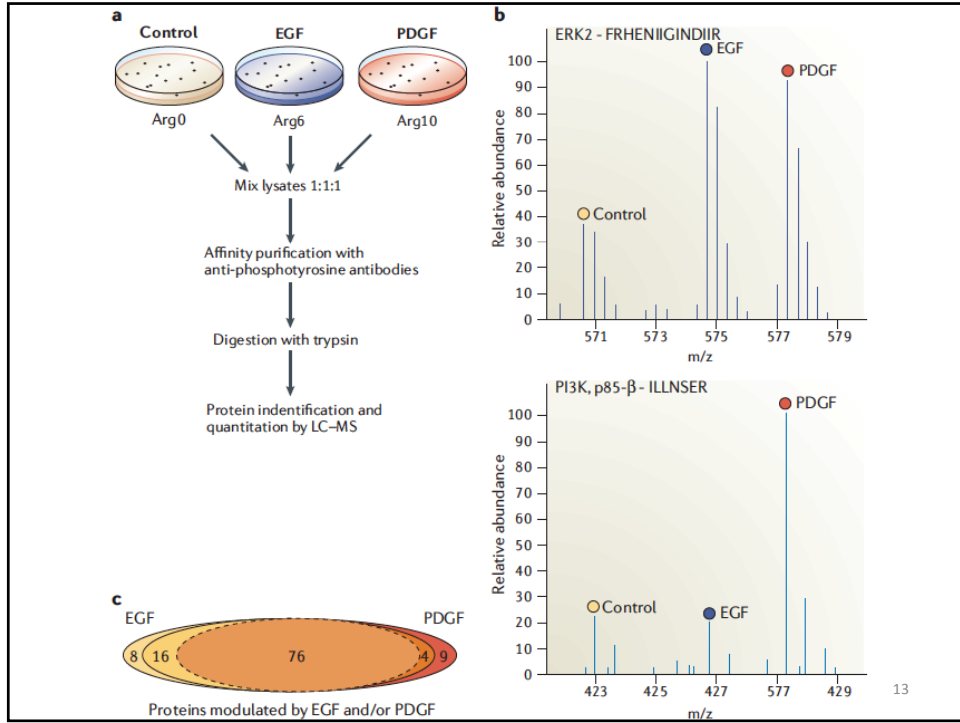


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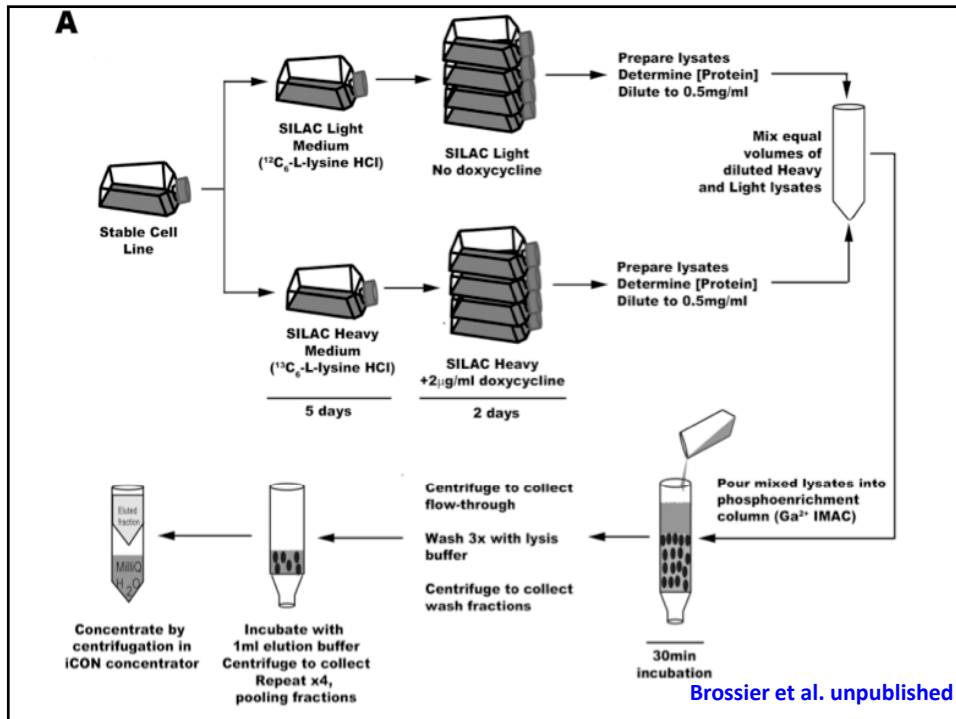
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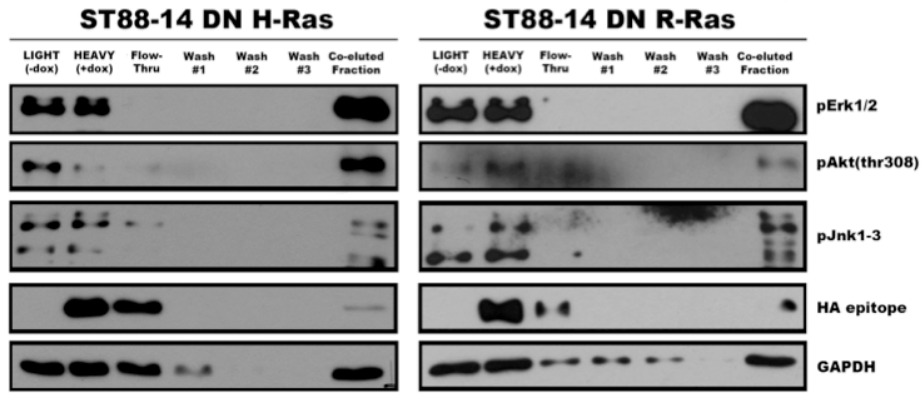
Isotope labeling with $^{13}\text{C}^{15}\text{N}$ -lysine

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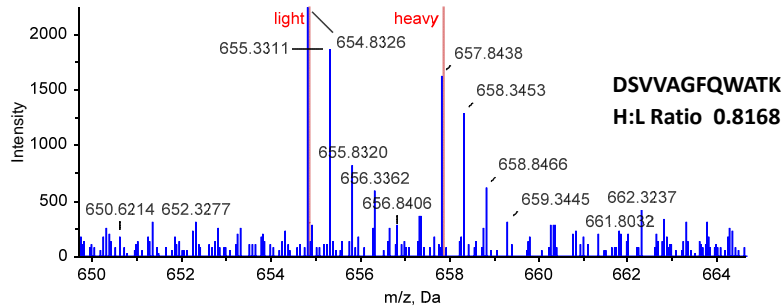
Verifying absorption of phosphoproteins onto IMAC



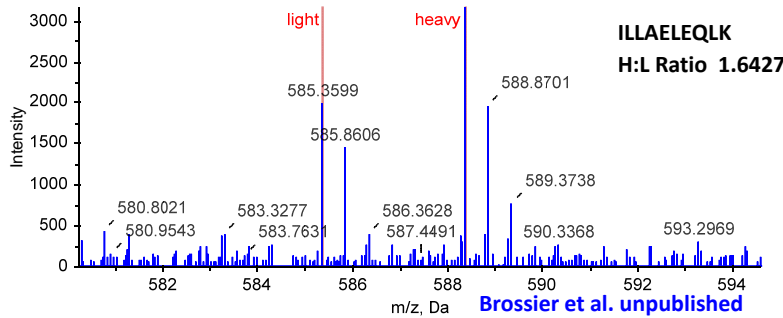
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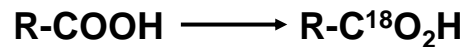
Vimentin OS=Homo sapiens GN=VIM PE=1 SV=4

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¹⁸O-labeling

- Trypsin catalyzes the transfer of ¹⁸O in ¹⁸O-enriched water to both the carboxylate oxygens of the C-terminus of tryptic peptides



- The peptides have an increase in mass of 4 Da
- Generally not considered a large enough mass difference

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Tandem mass tag reagents

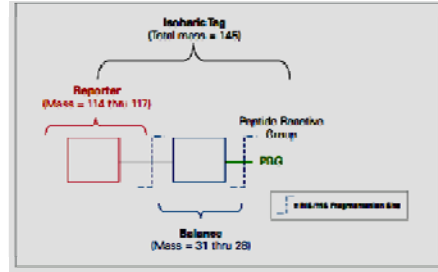
- TMT reagents are isobaric, i.e., they have the same molecular weight and are chemically the same, but their “parts” have different masses
- Some reagents have four parts:
 - A mass reporter (different for each reagent)
 - A cleavable region
 - An isotopic balancing region
 - A lysine-NH₂ reacting reagent

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iTRAQ quantification

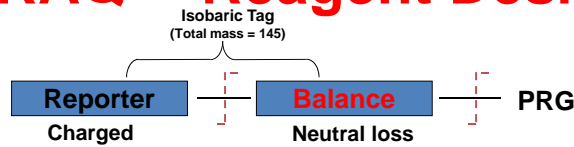
- The iTRAQ™ reagents
 - React with Lys amino groups and each one adds 145 Da to the molecular weight of the peptide
 - Fragmentation produces reporter ions from m/z 114, 115, 116 and 117
 - Current iTRAQ kit contains 8 forms with reporter fragment ions of m/z 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 and 121



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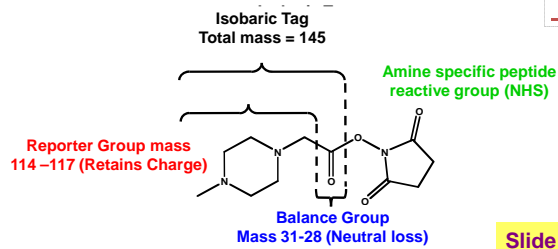
iTRAQ™ Reagent Design



- Gives strong signature ion in MS/MS
- Gives good b- and y-ion series
- Maintains charge state
- Maintains ionization efficiency of peptide
- Signature ion masses lie in quiet region

- Balance changes in concert with reporter mass to maintain total mass of 145
- Neutral loss in MS/MS

Amine specific



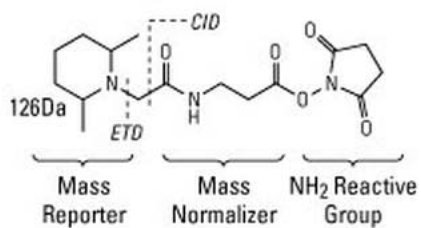
MS/MS Fragmentation Site

Slide provided by Applied Biosystems

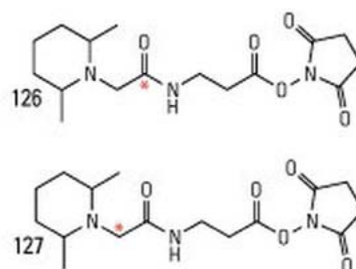
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TMT reagent from Pierce

A. TMTzero Reagent (TMT⁰)



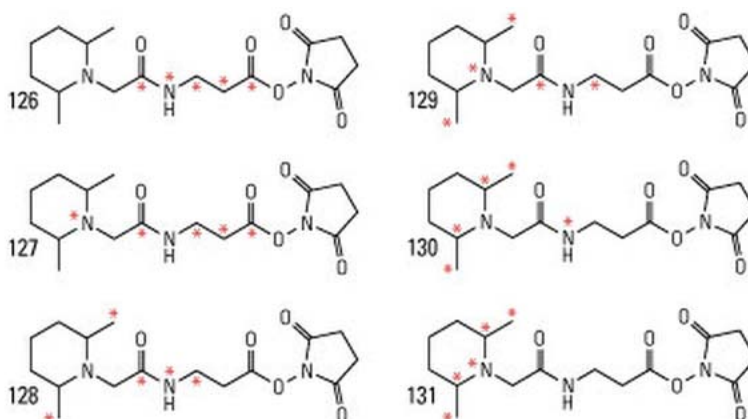
B. TMTduplex Reagents (TMT²)



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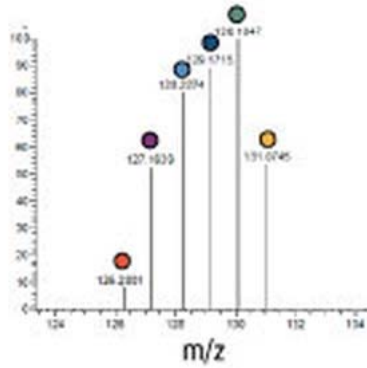
A 6-plex TMT reagent



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MS/MS spectrum of TMT tags



The mass of the tryptic peptide when reacted with any of the TMT reagents is the same.

However, each reagent gives a separate reporter mass (m/z 126, 127, 128, 129, 130 and 131).

Therefore, samples from different experimental conditions can be combined and analyzed in a single run.

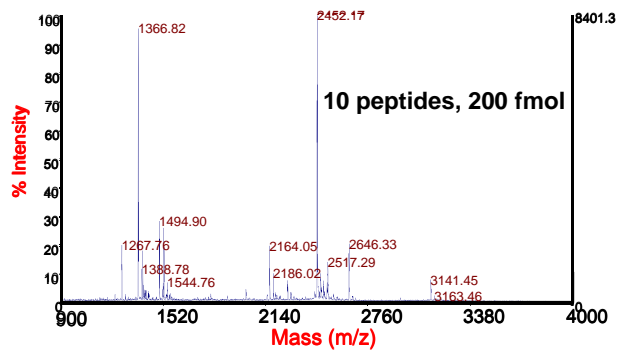
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Other non-isotopic quantitative methods in proteomics

The coverage (the number of peptides observed for a protein) is sensitive to the amount of the protein

- This can be used to calculate whether a treatment affects the abundance of a protein where fold-change > 2
- Applies to LC-MS (MUDPIT methods)



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Method of the Year 2012

New method and tool developments are helping to bring targeted proteome analysis technologies to a broader array of biologists.

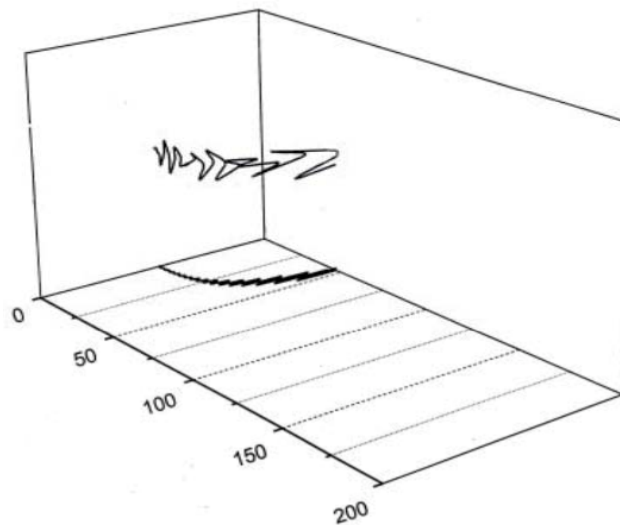
This quote comes from the January 2013 issue of Nature Methods. It noted there are several methods for measuring proteins (antibodies, immunofluorescence, protein arrays)

But there is another way. Mass spectrometry, perhaps most familiar for its use in discovery-based proteomics, can also be applied to specifically analyze target proteins of interest. In the most mature technology for targeted analysis, known as selected (or multiple) reaction monitoring, a mass spectrometer called a triple quadrupole is programmed to detect specific peptides that uniquely represent proteins of interest, allowing researchers to quantitatively monitor these proteins with high sensitivity and reproducibility.

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Flight path of ions through the quadrupole ion mass is higher than the set mass

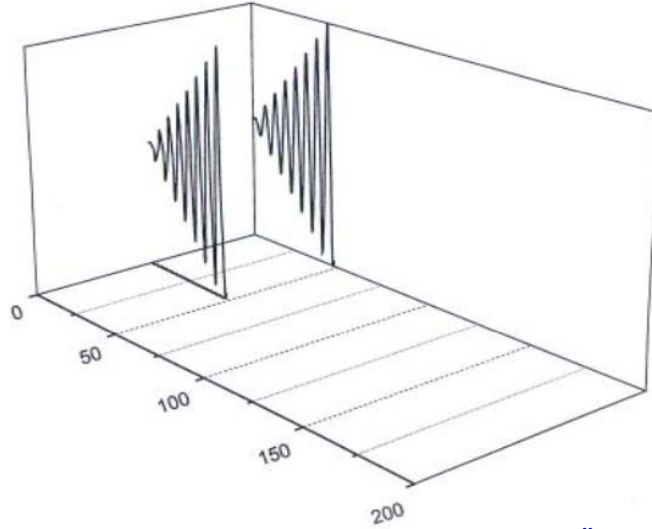


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Flight path of ions through the quadrupole
ion mass is lower than the set mass

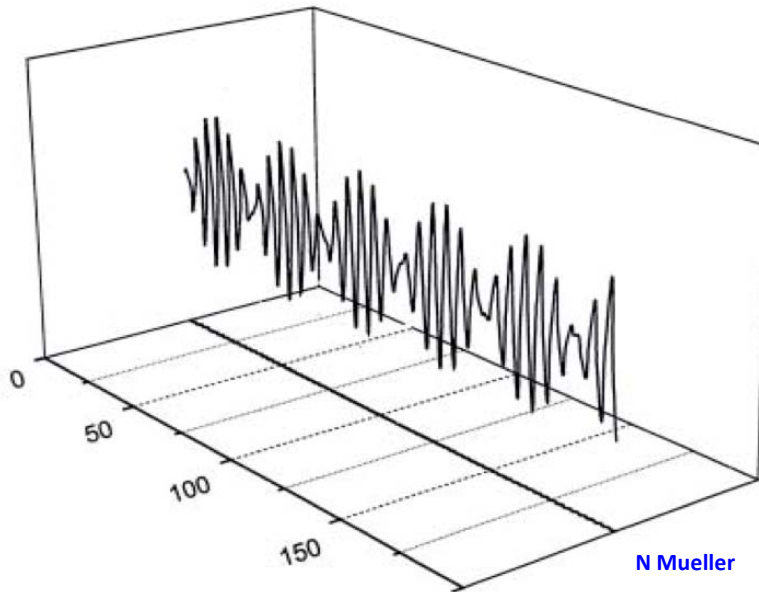


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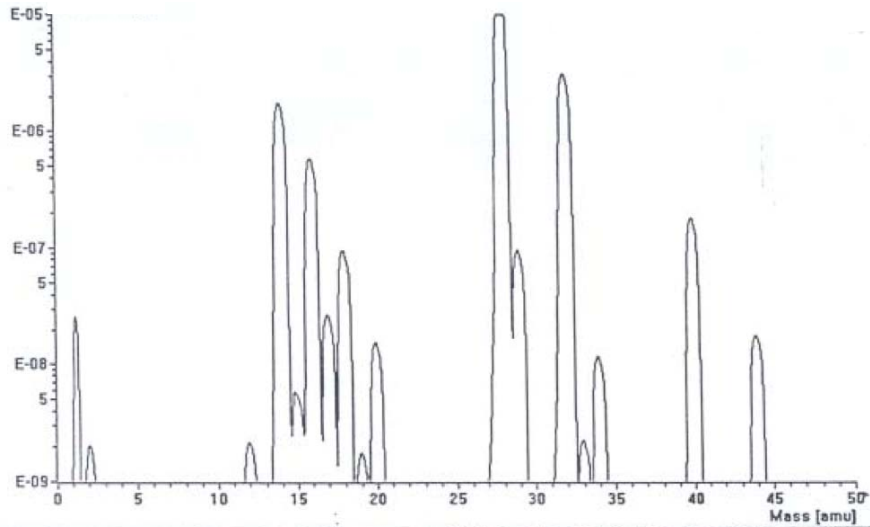
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Flight path of ions through the quadrupole
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The real quadrupole ions
0.7 m/z wide

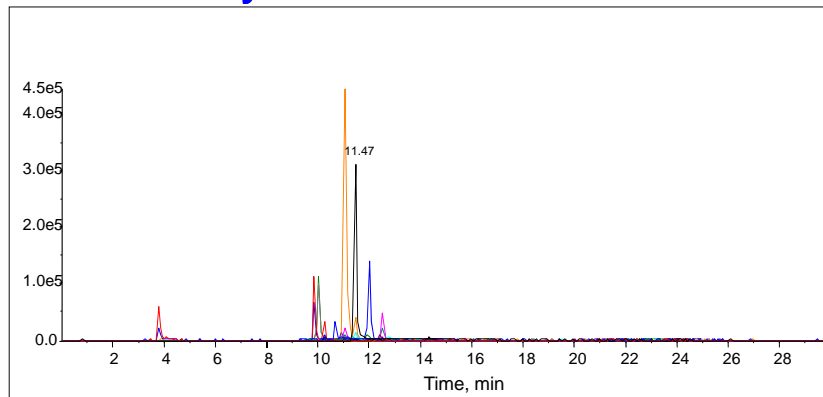


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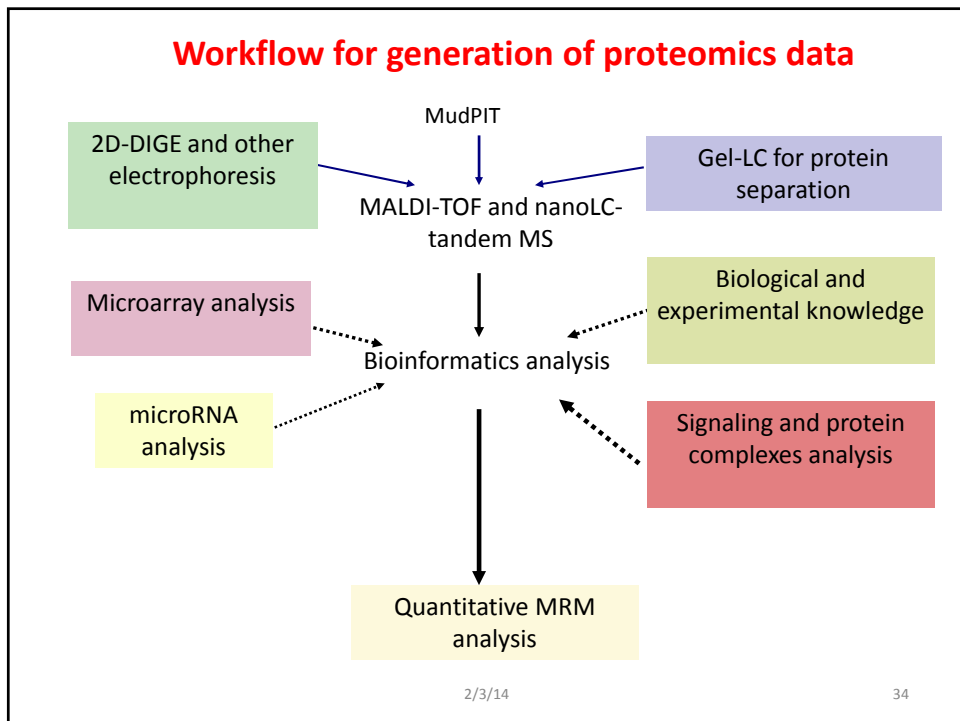
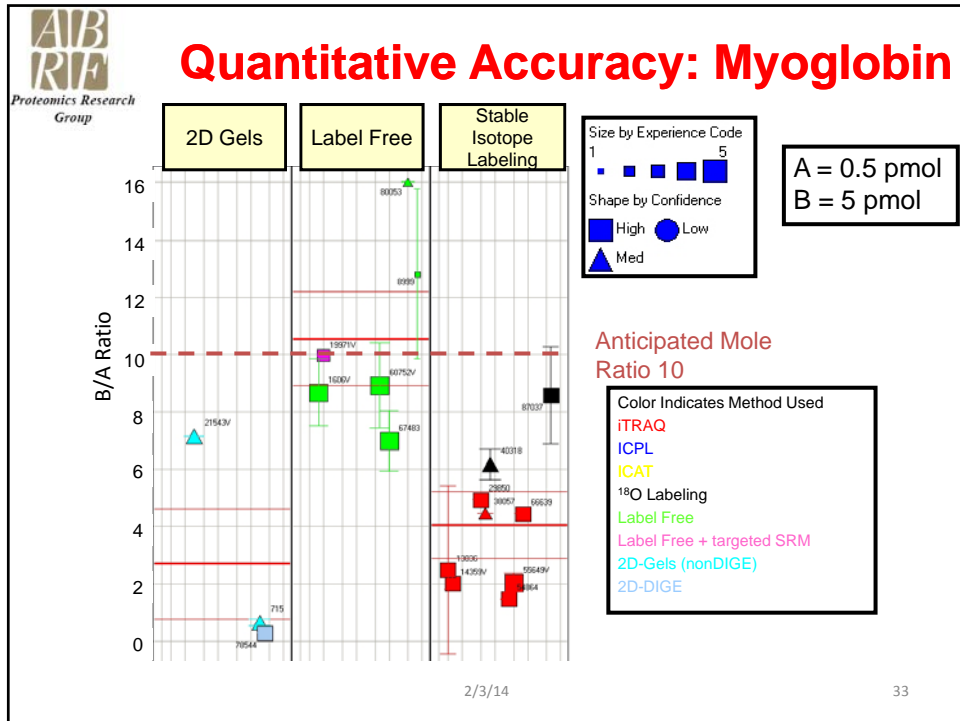
Quantitation experiment for
biotinylated cytochrome c
MRM analysis monitored in 50 channels

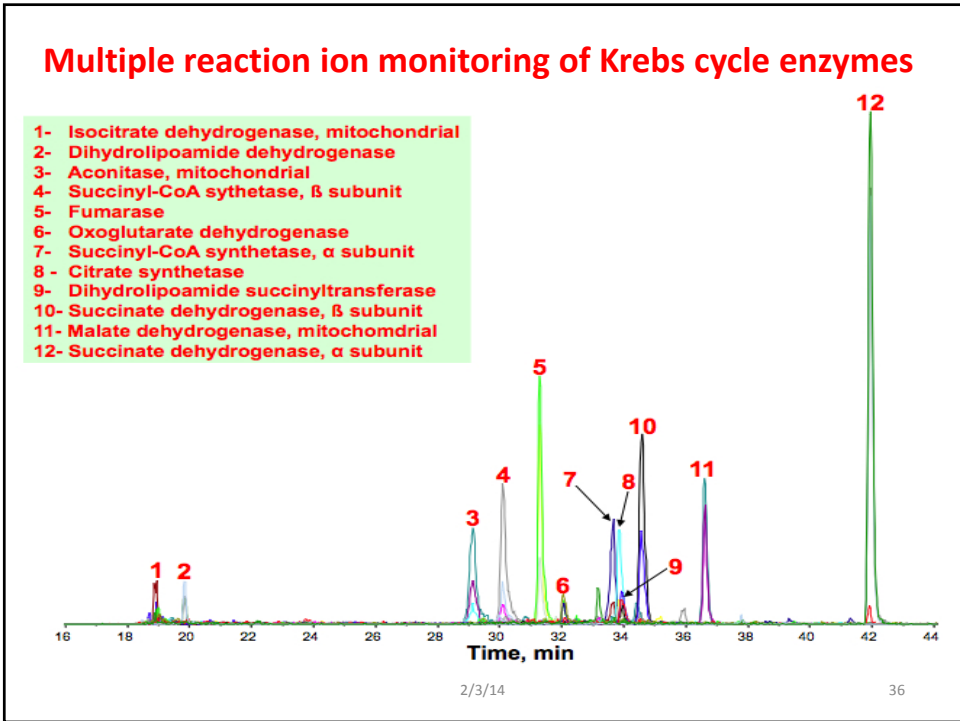
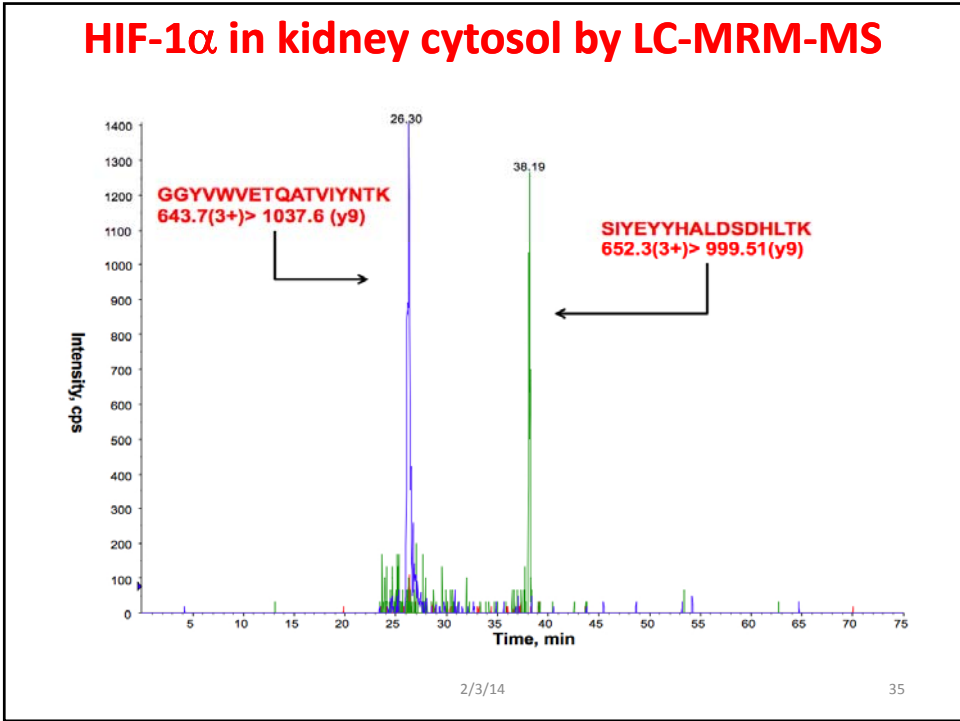


Each colored peak represents a different biotinylated peptide

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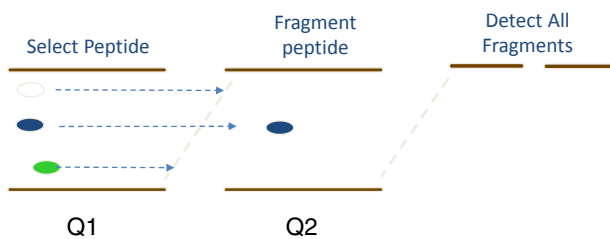
Limitations of MRM-MS

- A single precursor/product ion combination is not sufficiently specific (see class on MRMPath)
 - Need 3-4 product ions to provide specificity
 - This decreases the number of different peptides that can be monitored per second
- The quadrupole analyzer has a low mass accuracy
 - Typically the peak is passed through a 0.7 m/z filter
- In an ideal world, we need an MS instrument that can collect high mass accuracy (2-3 ppm) MSMS spectra in 20-50 msec

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Pseudo MRM Analysis



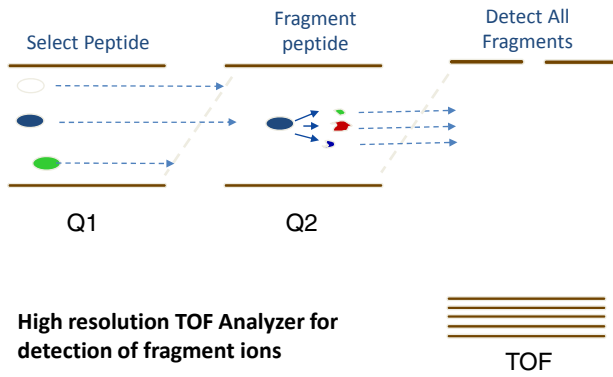
- High resolution TOF Analyzer for detection of fragment ions

TOF

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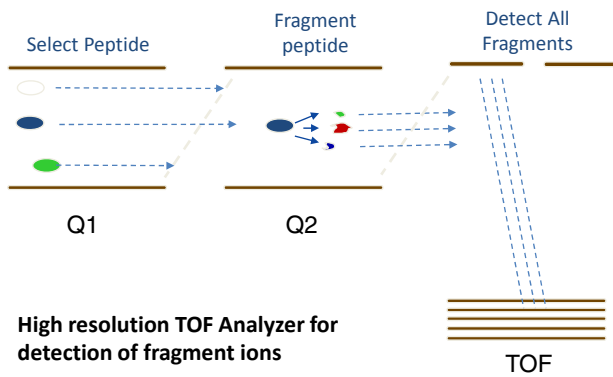
Pseudo MRM Analysis



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Pseudo MRM Analysis



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Pseudo MRM Analysis

The diagram illustrates the Pseudo MRM analysis process. It starts with a Q1 ion trap where three peptides (represented by white, blue, and green circles) are selected. These peptides then move to a Q2 ion trap where they are fragmented into smaller ions (represented by smaller colored circles). Finally, all these fragment ions are sent to a TOF (Time-of-Flight) detector, which is labeled 'Detect All Fragments'.

- High resolution TOF Analyzer for detection of fragment ions

TOF

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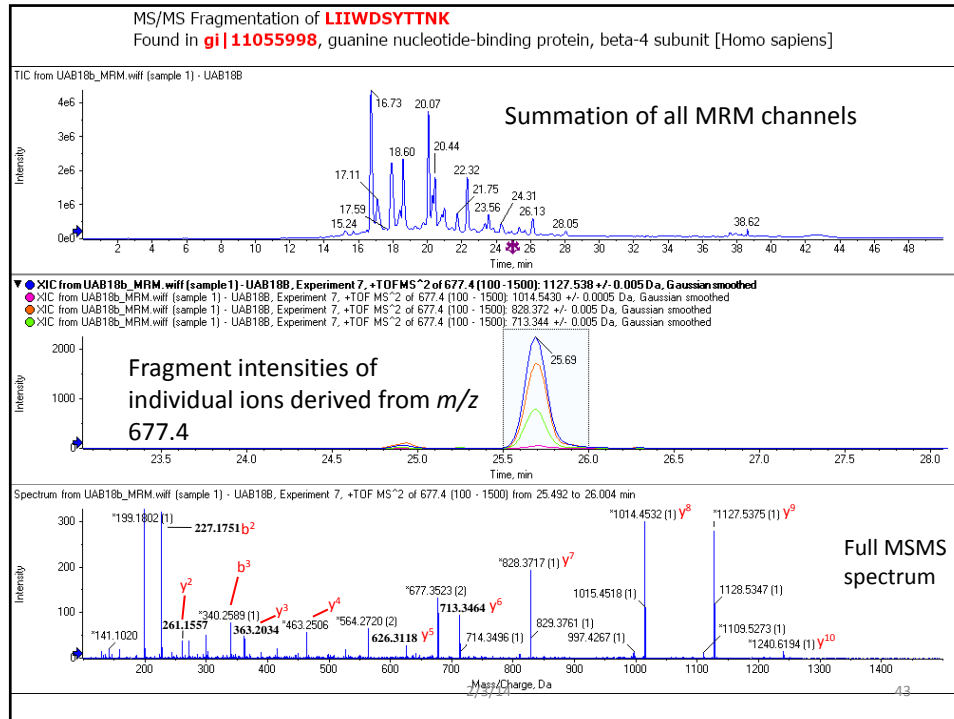
Pseudo MRM Analysis

This diagram is similar to the one on slide 41, showing the flow of ions from Q1 to Q2 and then to the TOF detector. However, it also includes a 'TOF MS/MS Spectrum' on the right. This spectrum shows several peaks, with colored arrows pointing from the peaks back to the corresponding fragment ions in the TOF detector, indicating that the entire MS/MS spectrum is collected and analyzed post-acquisition.

- The key difference between the TripleTOF and the triple quad is that the entire MSMS spectrum is collected by the TripleTOF in a single 50 sec (or shorter) data acquisition – the selection of product ion to follow is made [post-data acquisition](#)

TOF

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Verifying and quantifying C-truncation

- α A crystallin is supposedly processed to a 173aa form from the 196aa translated product. Interestingly, what we see is the removal of an interior 23aa peptide, so it must be differential splicing, not posttranslational processing.
- Processed rat α A crystallin has a chymotrypsin cleavage site at ¹⁴¹Phe
- This peptide can be observed as a triply charged peptide
 - **FSGPKVQSGLDAGHSERAIPVSREEKPSSAPSS**
- The C-truncations observed by mass spectrometry imaging are the following:
 - **SGPKVQSGLD** (truncation at 151)
 - **SGPKVQSGLDAGHSE** (truncation at 156)
 - **SGPKVQSGLDAGHSER** (truncation at 157)
 - **SGPKVQSGLDAGHSERAIPVSR** (truncation at 163)
 - **SGPKVQSGLDAGHSERAIPVSREEKPS** (truncation at 168)

Fragmentation of a chymotryptic peptide



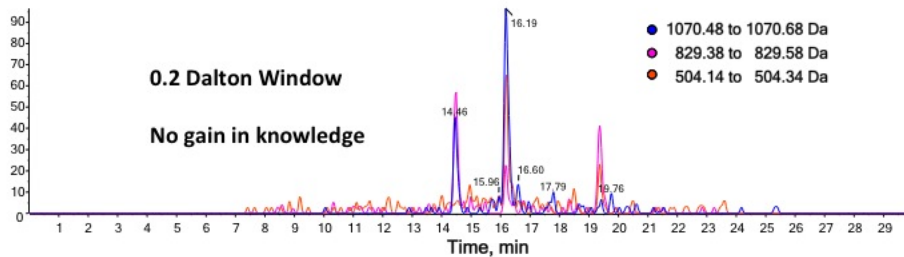
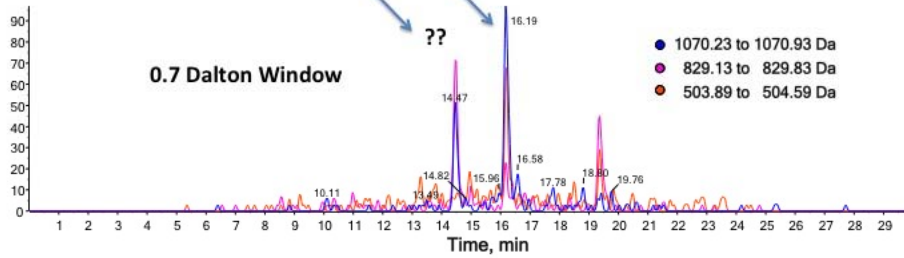
[M+2H]²⁺ = 494.55

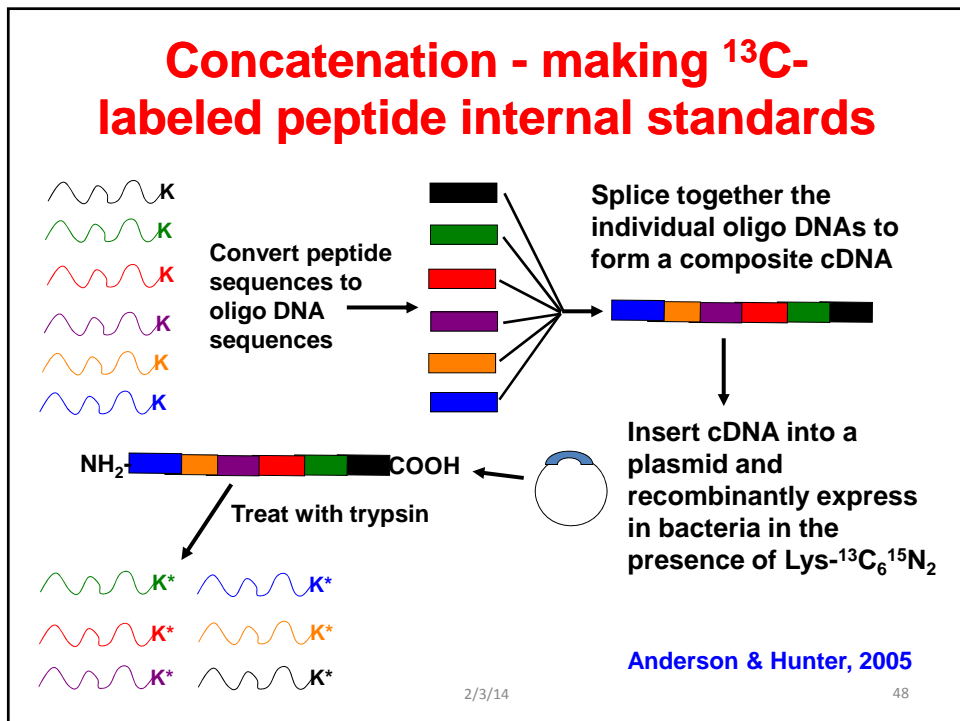
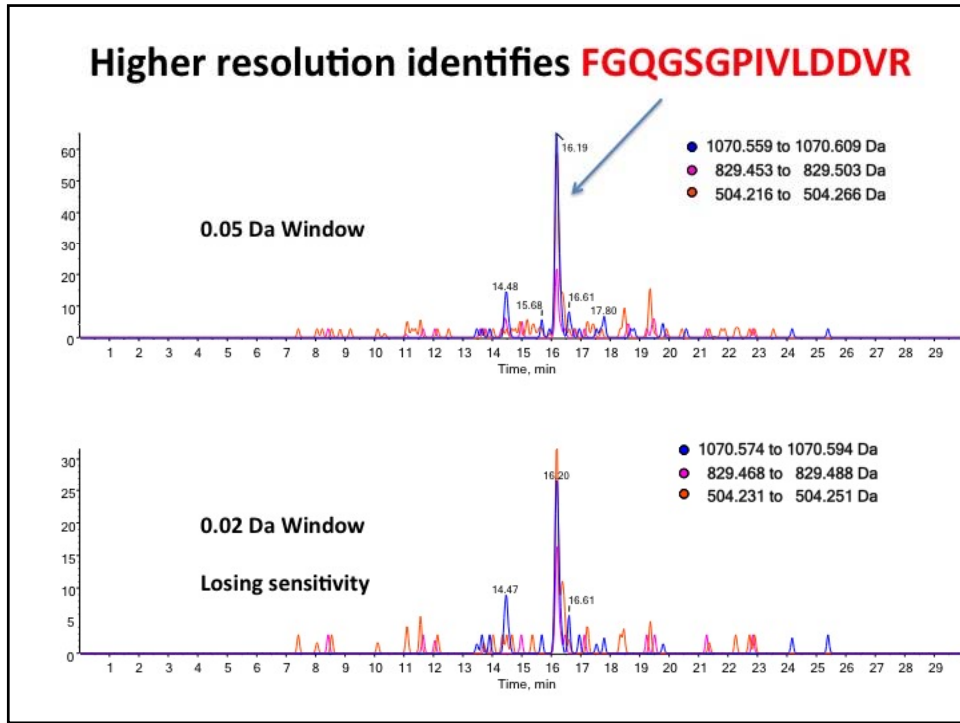
<u>b-ions</u>	<u>y-ions</u>
b ₁ = -	y ₁ = (134)
b ₂ = 145	y ₂ = (247)
b ₃ = 242	y ₃ = (304)
b ₄ = 370	y ₄ = (391)
b ₅ = 469	y ₅ = (519)
b ₆ = 597	y ₆ = (618)
b ₇ = 684	y ₇ = 746
b ₈ = 741	y ₈ = 843
b ₉ = 854	y ₉ = 900
b ₁₀ = 969	y ₁₀ = 987

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Finding Nemo – or **FGQGSGPIVLDVDR**





Quantitative peptide MRM-MS

- The albumin-depleted plasma proteome is mixed with the composite ^{13}C , ^{15}N -labeled protein internal standard and then treated with trypsin
- The molecular ions (doubly charged) and the specific y ions for each peptide and its labeled form are entered into the MRM script one channel at a time
- A single run may consist of 30 peptides in 60 channels
- Sensitivity is compromised by “sharing out” measurement time, but can be compensated for by carrying out nanoLC

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The future – SWATH MS

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VZAZtA_qEbg
- Data independent analysis with a mass spectrometer that has a fast enough analyzer (TOF) to allow comprehensive quantitative analysis of ALL peptides that elute from a LC column

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