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# Quantitative proteomics: what's the point?

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MERCUTIO:

*Nay, if our wits run the wild-goose chase*

Romeo And Juliet Act II, scene IV

# Overview

- \* Strategies quantification, challenges and limits
- \* Global quantification of a proteome
- \* Label-free quantification or label-mediated quantification?

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the "Proteomics and Functional Genomics Group, Liverpool" website. The URL in the address bar is <http://www.liv.ac.uk/pfg/>. The page features the University of Liverpool logo and navigation links for About PFG, Research, Facilities, Services, Links, and Intranet. A sidebar on the left lists breaking news from March 2010 to January 2009. The main content area includes a photo gallery and a section titled "What you will find on this website:" describing the site's purpose.

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Welcome

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Breaking News

Mar 2010 ► Yvonne Woolerton joins us as a new PhD student. [Welcome Yvonne!](#)  
Dec 2009 ► Welcome Baby Lupe Gomez-Baena!  
Dec 2009 ► Amy successfully defended her thesis. [Congratulations, Dr Claydon!](#)  
Nov 2009 ► Many Peffers joins us on her Wellcome Trust Fellowship. [Welcome Mandy!](#)  
Oct 2009 ► Stu successfully defended his thesis [Congratulations, Dr Armstrong!](#)  
Sept 2009 ► Installation of our Waters Synapt and a Waters Xevo QqQ for quantitative studies  
Aug 2009 ► Jenny and John create an unbreakable covalent bond. [Congratulations!](#)  
June 2009 ► Phil Brownridge and Vicky Harman join us for the big proteome project [Welcome both!](#)  
April 2009 ► Lupe Gomez-Baena joins us from Cordoba as a Marie Curie Research fellow for biomarker studies. [Welcome Lupe!](#)  
Feb 2009 ► Amy rejoins us to work on ribosome proteomics. [Welcome back, Amy](#)  
Feb 2009 ► Rob starts his sabbatical in earnest, and is working as a BBSRC Industrial Exchange Visitor at Waters in Manchester  
Jan 2009 ► We received formal notification of our large grant on global quantitative proteomics [\[LINK\]](#)

2008 (all) ►

- We've been joined by a new PhD student, Andie Pennington. [Welcome Andie!](#)
- We've ordered our third Dionex Ultimate 3000, this one will supply the maxIS
- At last, the MaxIS is coming! Photo diary to follow.
- At 3m tall, it will be major installation challenge, on the first floor of a building with no lifts!
- We presented two posters at the Siena Proteomics meeting
- Rowan successfully defended her PhD thesis. [Congratulations, Dr Moore!](#)
- We presented four posters at the HUPO meeting in Amsterdam
- We have been awarded a new BBSRC grant to work on supramolecular assembly and dynamics, with colleagues in Manchester
- Jenny successfully defended her PhD thesis. [Congratulations, Dr Rivers!](#)
- We ordered our Bruker MaxIS QToFsystem (resolution=50,000, accuracy=<1ppm, 20Hz acquisition)

2007 (all) ►

- We took delivery of our second ThermoElectron LTQ system, coupled to a Dionex Ultimate 3000
- Ian successfully defended his PhD thesis. [Congratulations, Dr Edwards!](#)
- We presented posters at the 4th joint BSPR/EBI meeting in Hinxton
- We were awarded a new BBSRC grant with Simon Hubbard (Manchester) to develop our positional proteomics approach to rational protein simplification
- We were awarded a new BBSRC grant with Daniel Coca (Sheffield) to extend our studies on FPGA computing to MS/MS and Quantification data

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# Phases of proteomics



Identification

What is/are the identities of the proteins in this preparation?

Characterisation

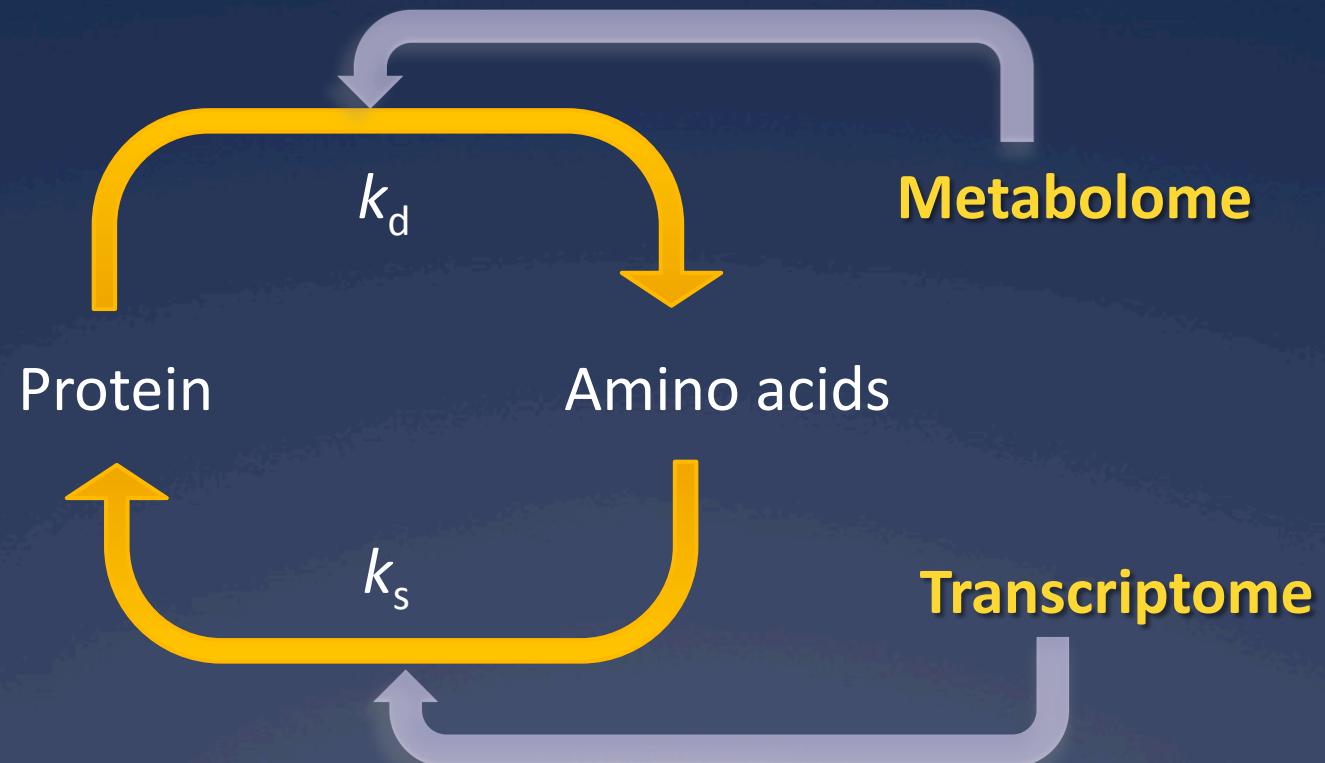
Post-translational modifications  
Intracellular stability

Quantitative

Relative quantification "*Protein Z is  $2.5 \pm 0.2$  times more abundant in Cell A than Cell B*"

Absolute quantification "*Protein Z present at 0.1 amol/cell A, 2.5 amol/cell B*"

# Quantitative proteomics & proteome dynamics



$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{dP_i}{dt} = k_{Ii} \cdot R \cdot [mRNA] - k_{di} \cdot P_i - \mu P_i$$

# The many hurdles in quantitative proteomics

Dynamic range

Proteome depth and ion statistics

Surrogacy

Are peptides suitable for protein quantification?

Proteolysis

The essentiality of complete digestion to limit peptides

The problem of protein ‘species’

Post-translational space

Proteome dynamics

Post-translational space

Protein dynamics

Proteome turnover and intracellular protein dynamics

# Label free and label-mediated methods



Label-mediated  
(differential isotope labelling)

Relative (*in vitro*)  
ITRAQ, ICAT, etc

Relative (*in vivo*)  
SILAC, etc

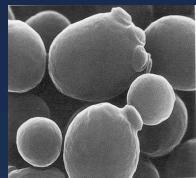
Absolute  
AQUA, QconCAT

Label-free  
(Absolute & relative)

Precursors (MS)  
counting  
intensity

Fragments (MS/MS)  
counting  
intensity

# The scale of the challenge



Yeast

[ 10 million cells ]

0.06mg protein = 6pg/cell



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(17 million cells in digest)

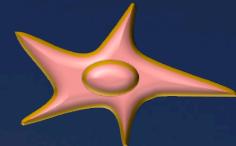


Apply 1000ng 'protein' (1 $\mu$ L)  
~170,000 cells on column



Lowest sensitivity=  
360 copies/cell

QqQ @ 100attomol  
=60,000,000 molecules



HeLa

~2.5mg protein = 250pg/cell



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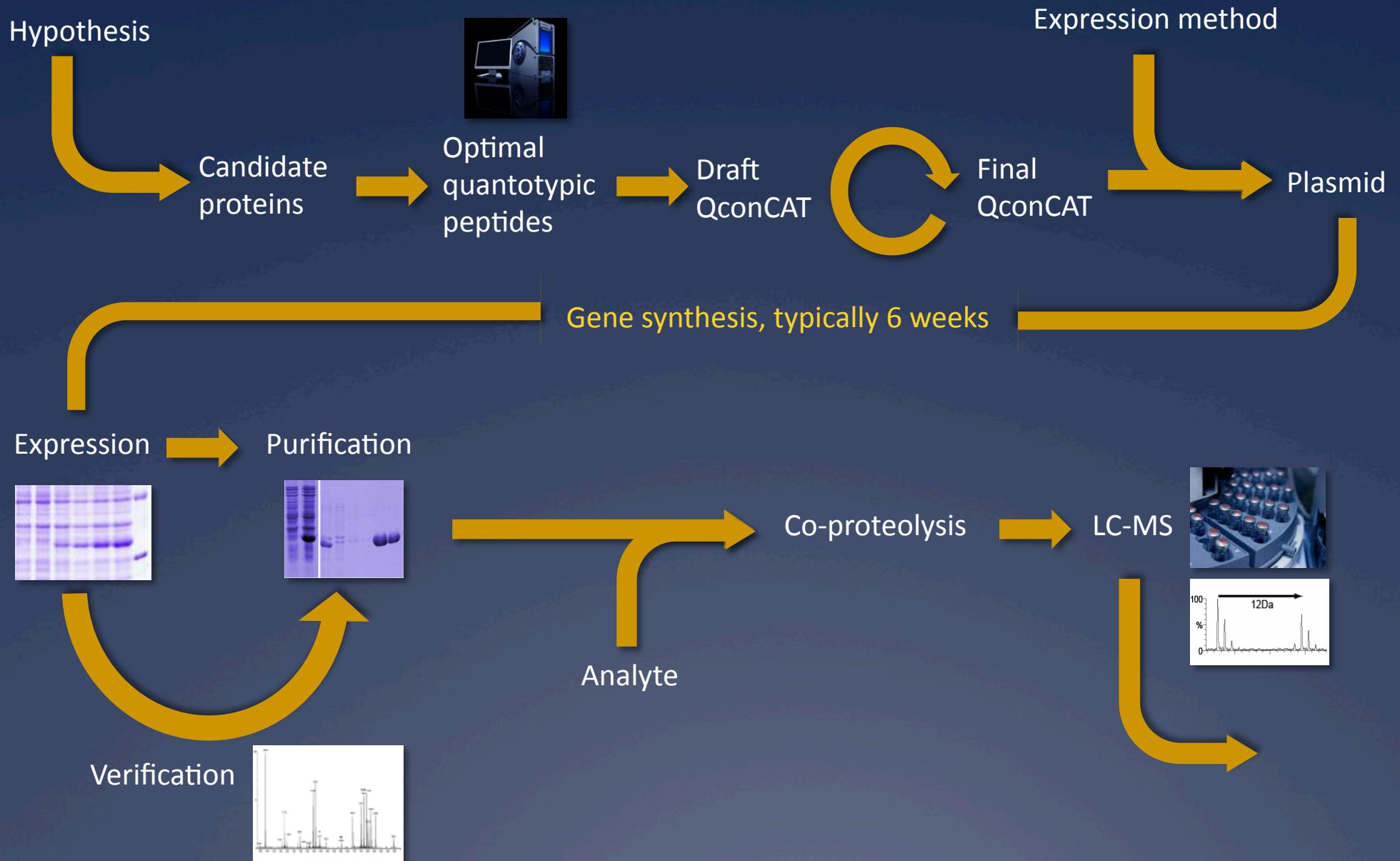


Lowest sensitivity=  
15,000 copies/cell

# Absolute quantification: QconCATs

- Mass tagged internal standards (quantotypic peptides, Q-peptides)
- Synthesised as a concatamer by *de novo* gene synthesis
- Expressed as a heterologous QconCAT artificial protein in bacteria, labelled with stable isotopes in the medium
- Co-digested with analyte, leading to heavy:light peptide ions for quantification
- All peptides stoichiometrically 1:1

# QconCAT workflow



# Absolute quantification: QconCATs

- Mass tagged internal standards (Q-peptides)
- At least one Q-peptide per analyte protein
- Multiple Q-peptides conCATenated *in silico*
  - Addition of features
  - Reverse translated, codon optimised to synthetic gene
  - Optimisation of mRNA secondary structure
- Expressed as a heterologous QconCAT artificial protein, labelled with stable isotopes in the media

# Designer genes for multiplexed quantification

Nominate target protein set  
(n=20-50)

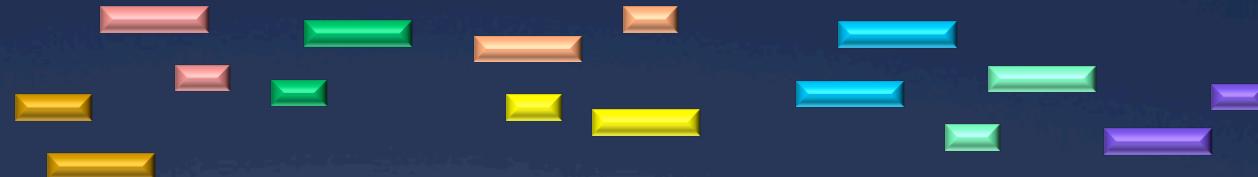


Select Q-peptides on the  
basis of prior knowledge,  
prediction or experience  
(Replication=2)

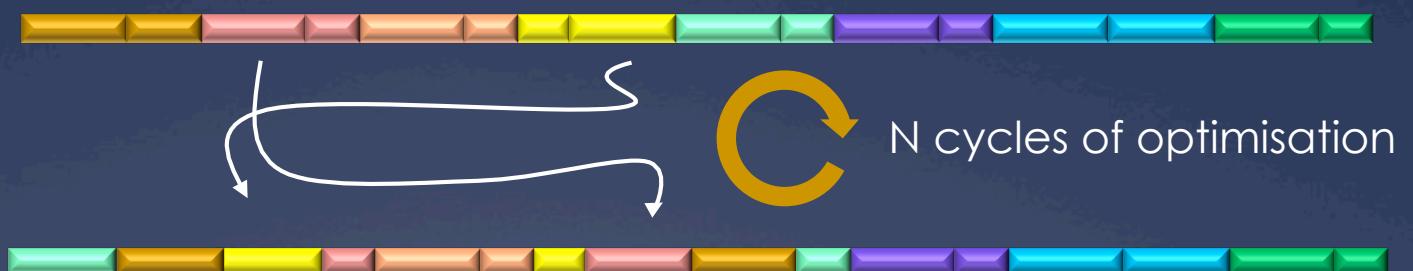


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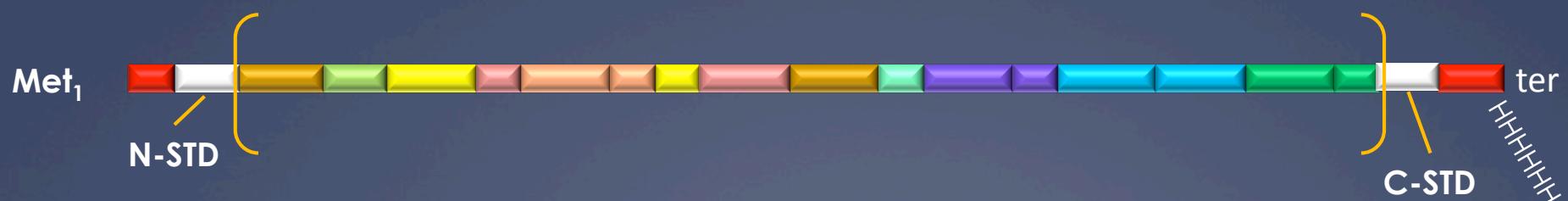
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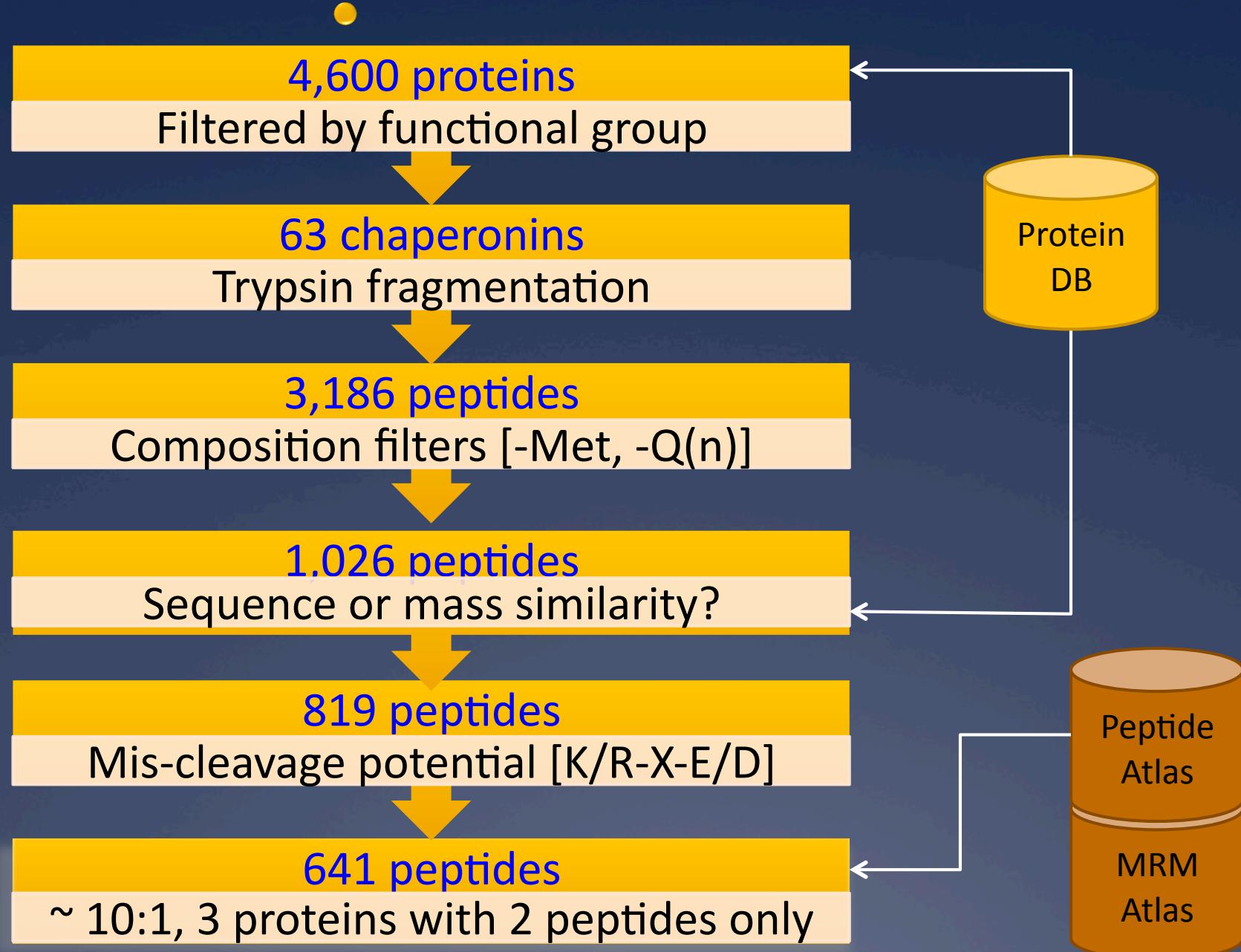
Concatenate and reverse translate *in silico* for QconCAT gene design / expression



Add features:



# Design Phase 1: peptides in silico



# Design Phase 2: gene optimisation and synthesis



[www.polyquant.com](http://www.polyquant.com)

- Optimisation
  - Codon optimisation,
  - GA 'directed random walk' to assess 'fitness' of gene variants, based on codon usage, mRNA 2° structure, GC content, repetitive motifs
- Synthesis of oligonucleotides
  - Overlapping 50mers, 5' phosphorylation,
- Ligation (highT ligase)
- PCR amplification → vector → sequence

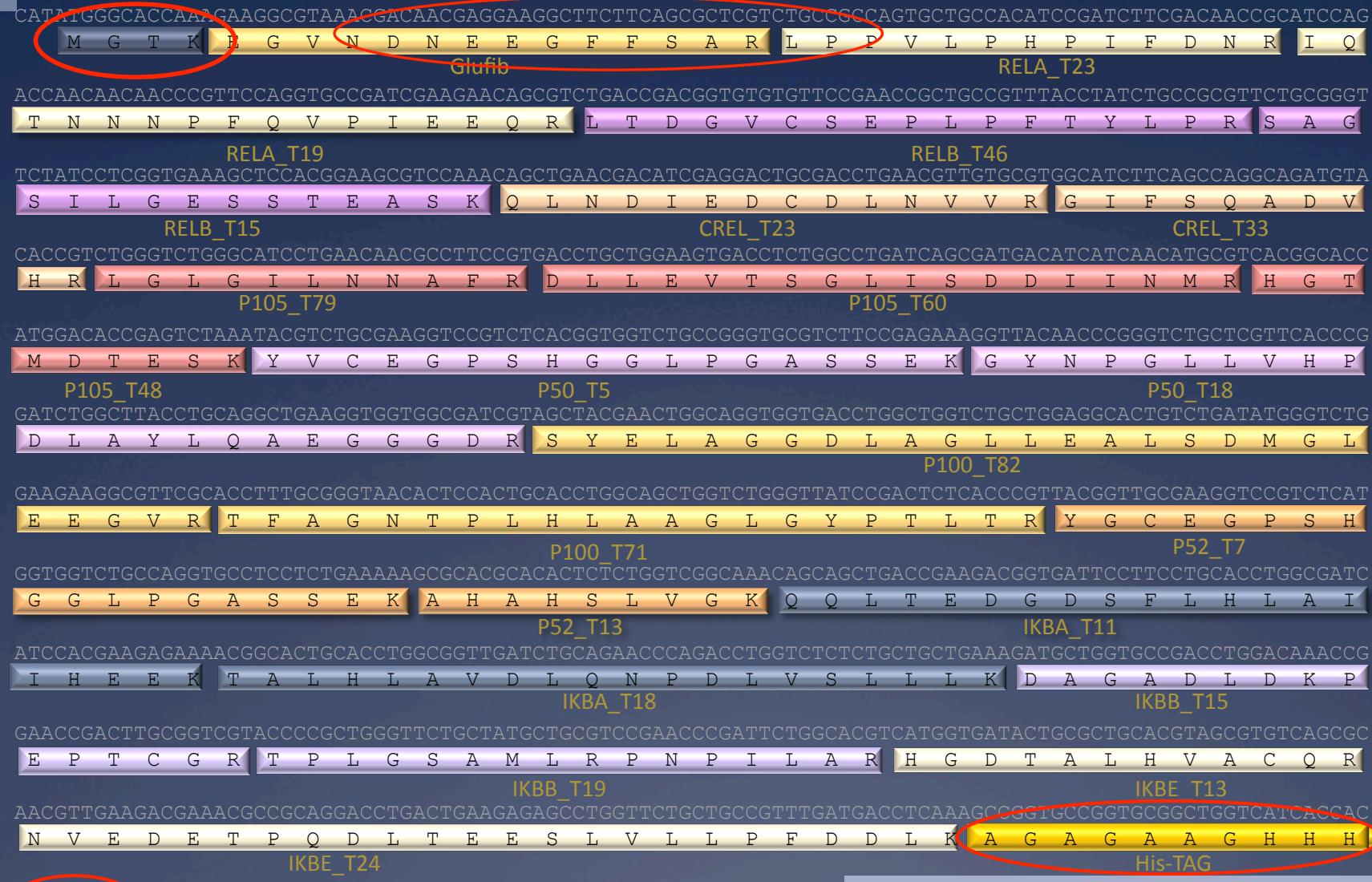
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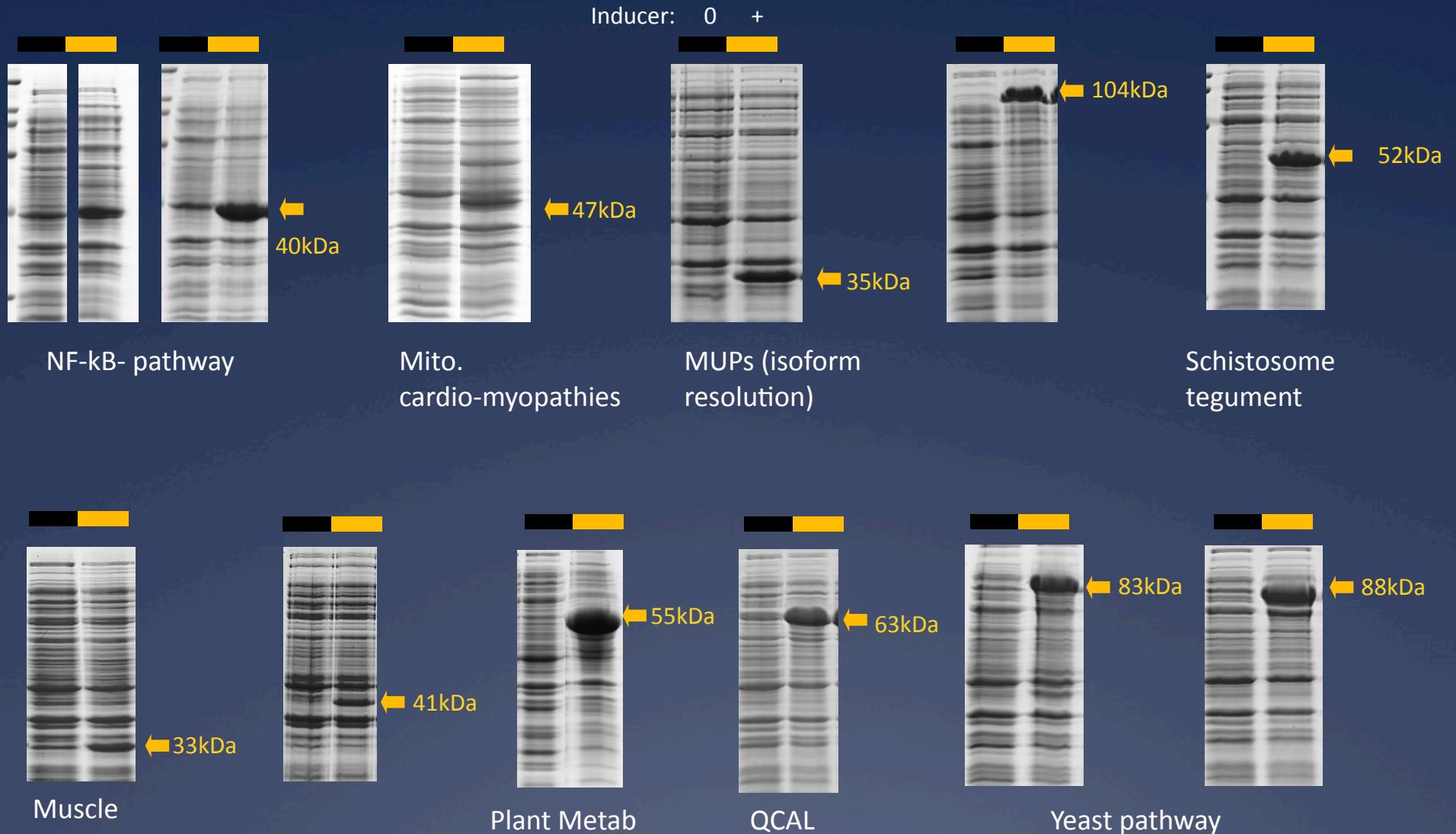
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## Glufib (Quantification/Intactness)



# Exemplar QconCATs (from over 50, 25kDa to 160kDa)



# Global quantification by QconCATs



Global QconCAT quantification strategy  
Objective: 4000 proteins

Absolute quantification & turnover analysis  
 $\Sigma P = 4000$ , QconCAT = 50 Qpeptides ( $\sim 60\text{kDa}$  each)

	Q peptide defaulter rate			
QRL	0	1%	5%	10%
1	80	81	84	88
1.5	120	122	126	132
2	160	162	168	176
3	240	243	252	264

QRL: Number of Qpeptides per protein

Requires <200 QconCATs = 10,000 peptides for 4,000 proteins

# Typical COPYCATS

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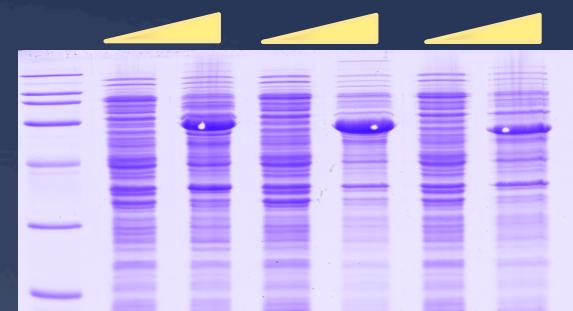
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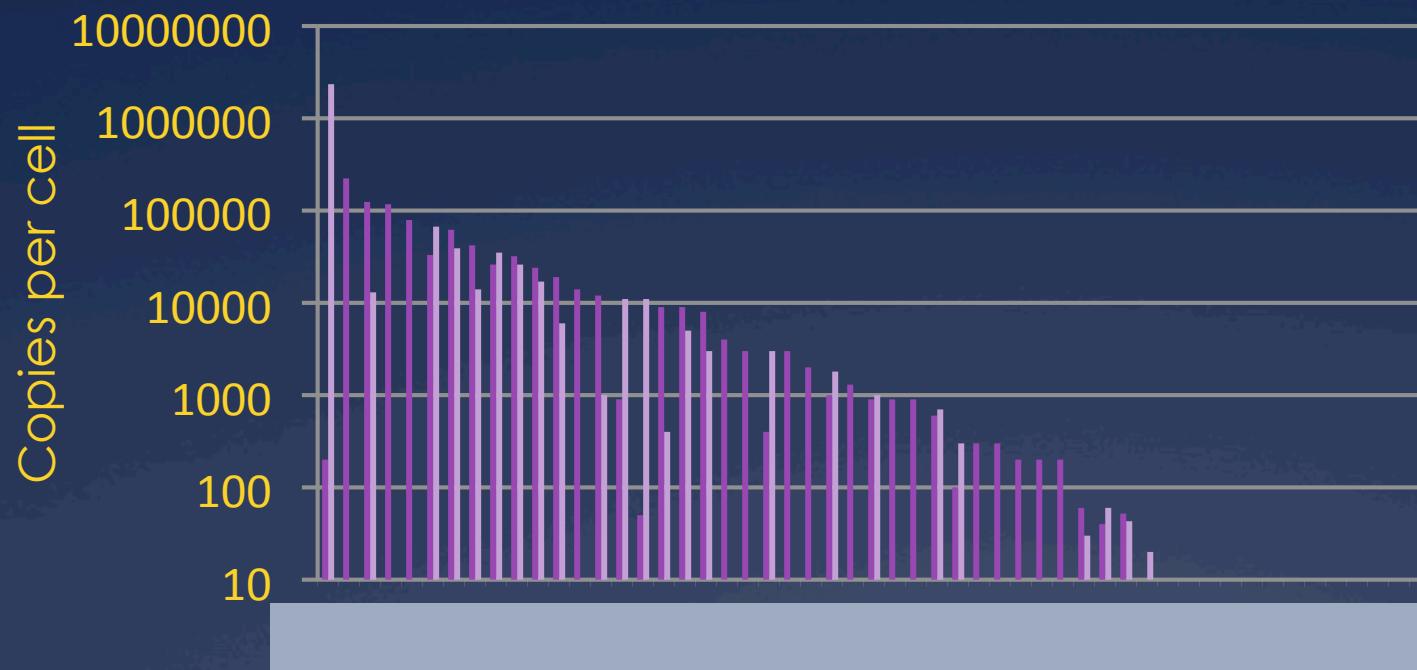
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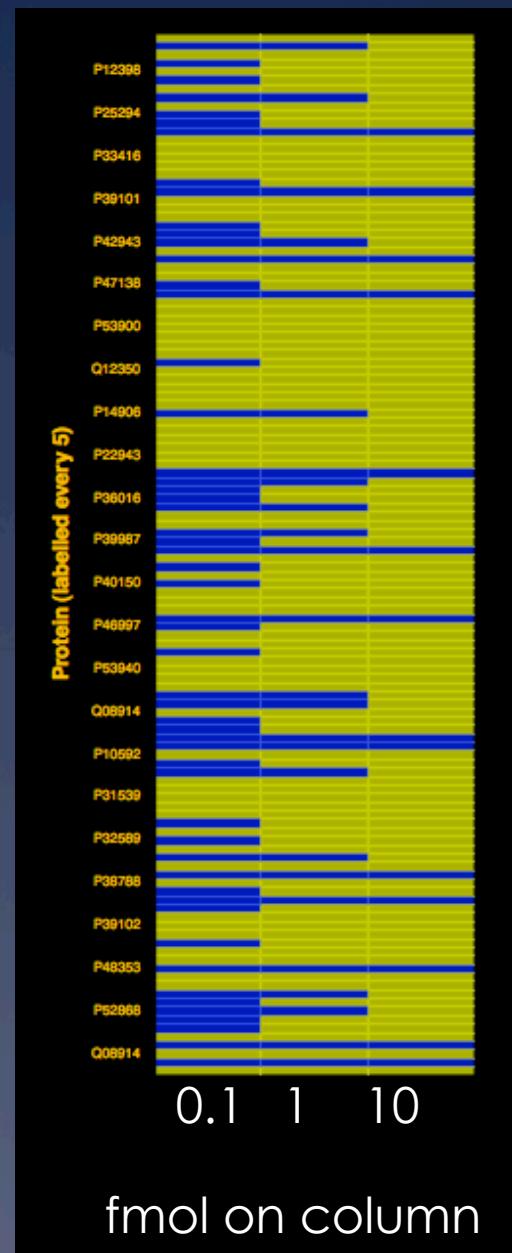
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# Chaperonins: absolute quantification



Signal:noise ratio >10 for  
each peptide in chaperonin  
QconCATs (SRM)



# Absolute quantification by MS<sup>E</sup>



LC-MSMS based approach (developed by Waters/Micromass)\*

Data independent acquisition

Alternating low energy and high energy scans

Collect all precursor and product ion data

Deconvolute and build precursor/product relationships through retention time, peak shape and fragmentation knowledge, leading to identification

Accumulate abundance data by summing three most intense precursors (peptide ions): Hi3 strategy

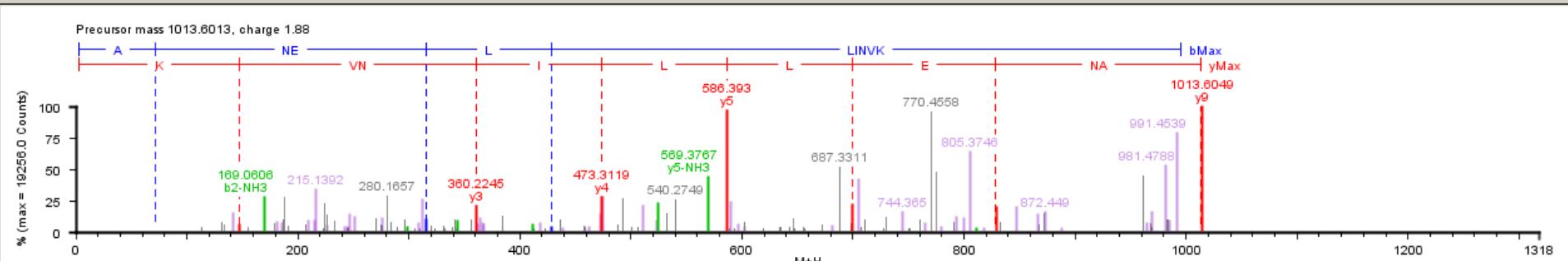
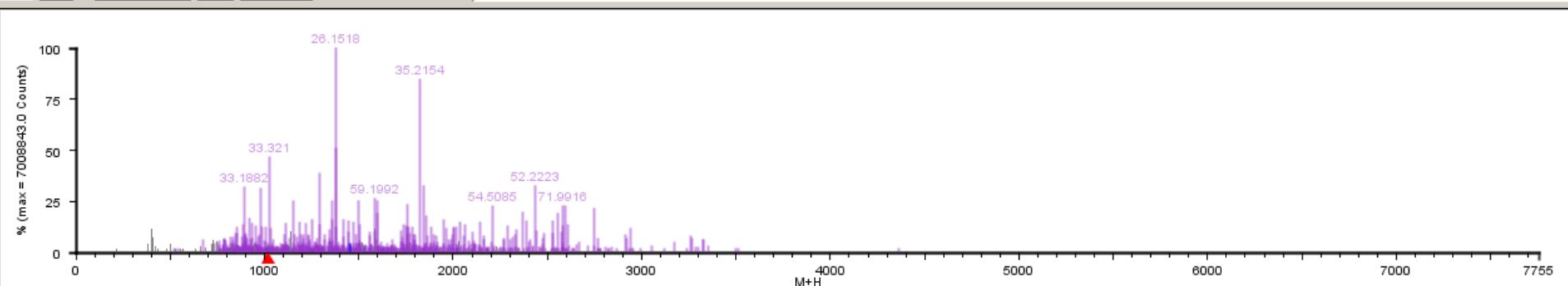
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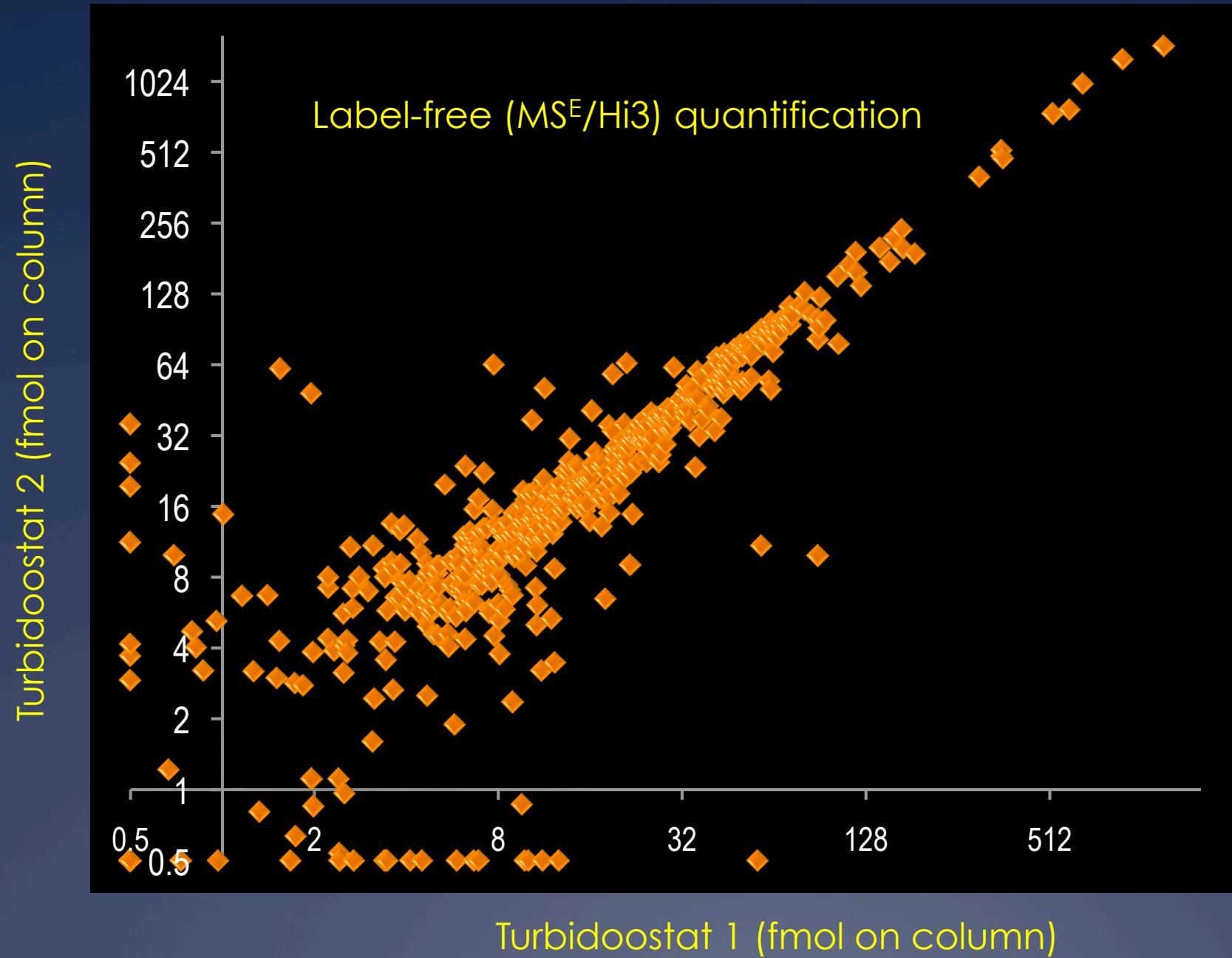
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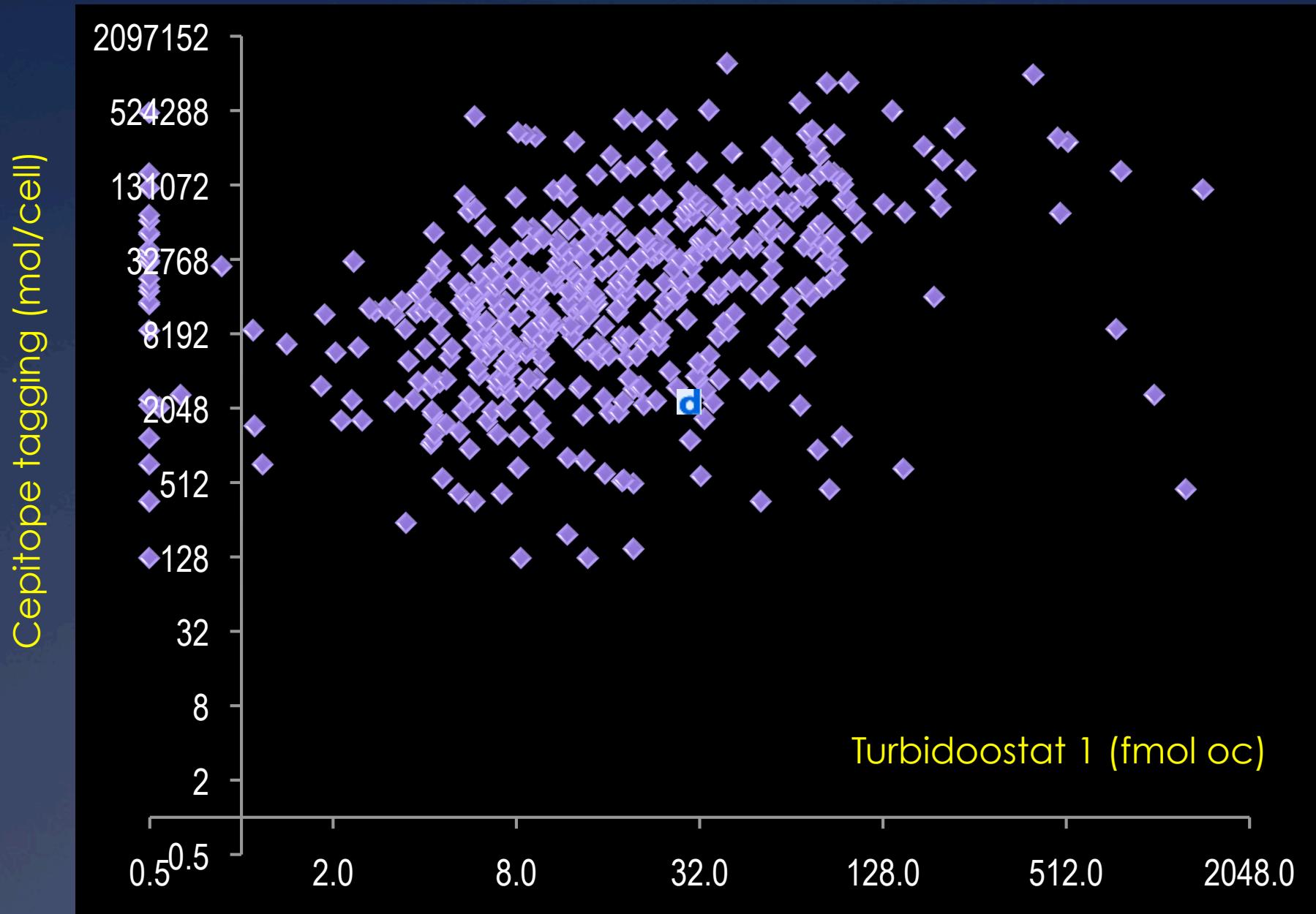
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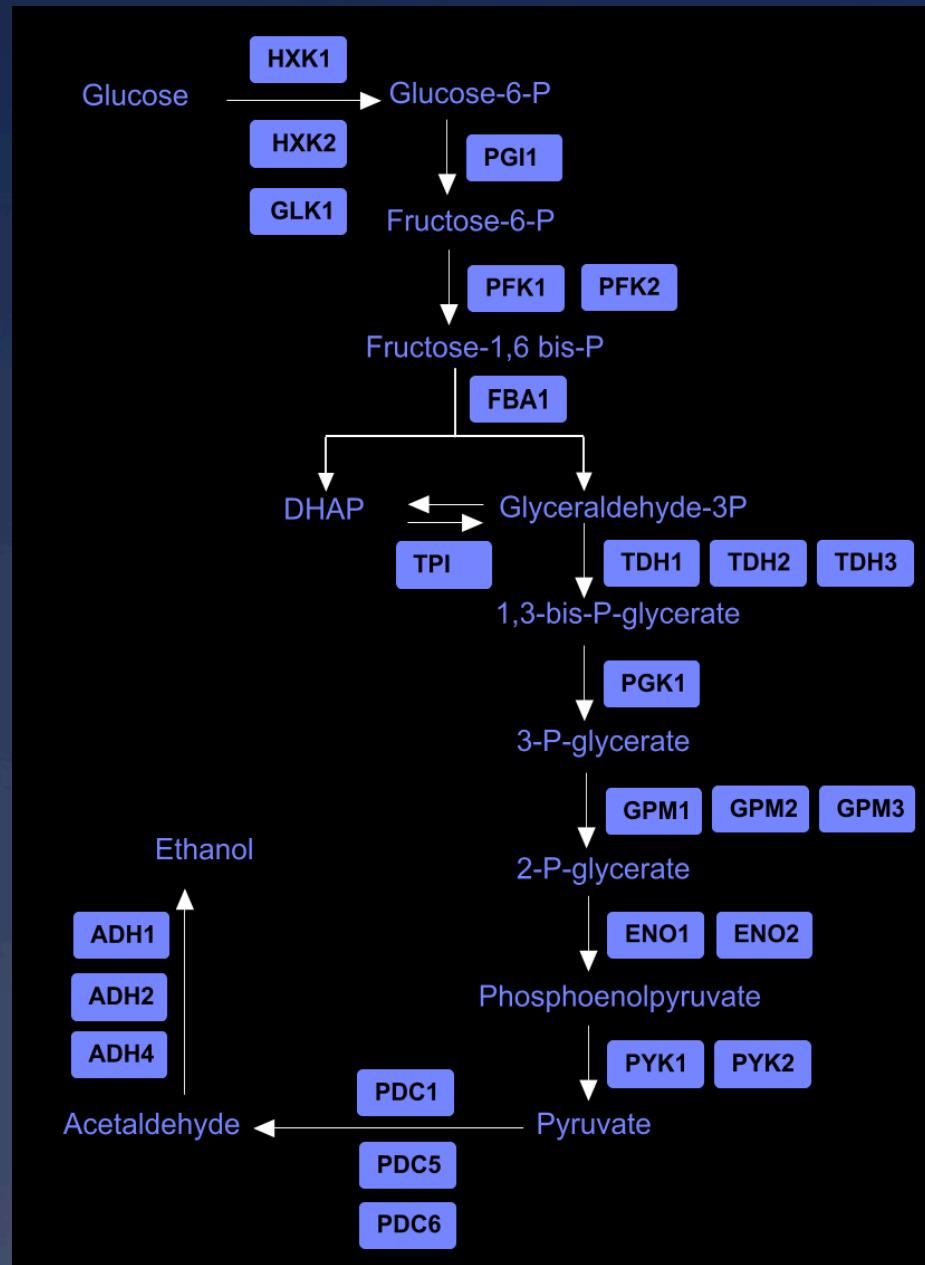
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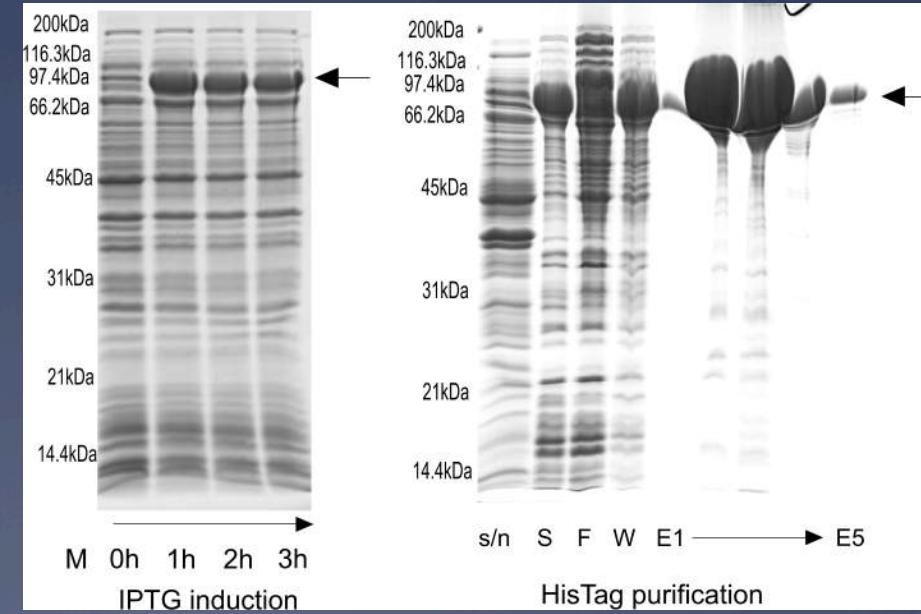
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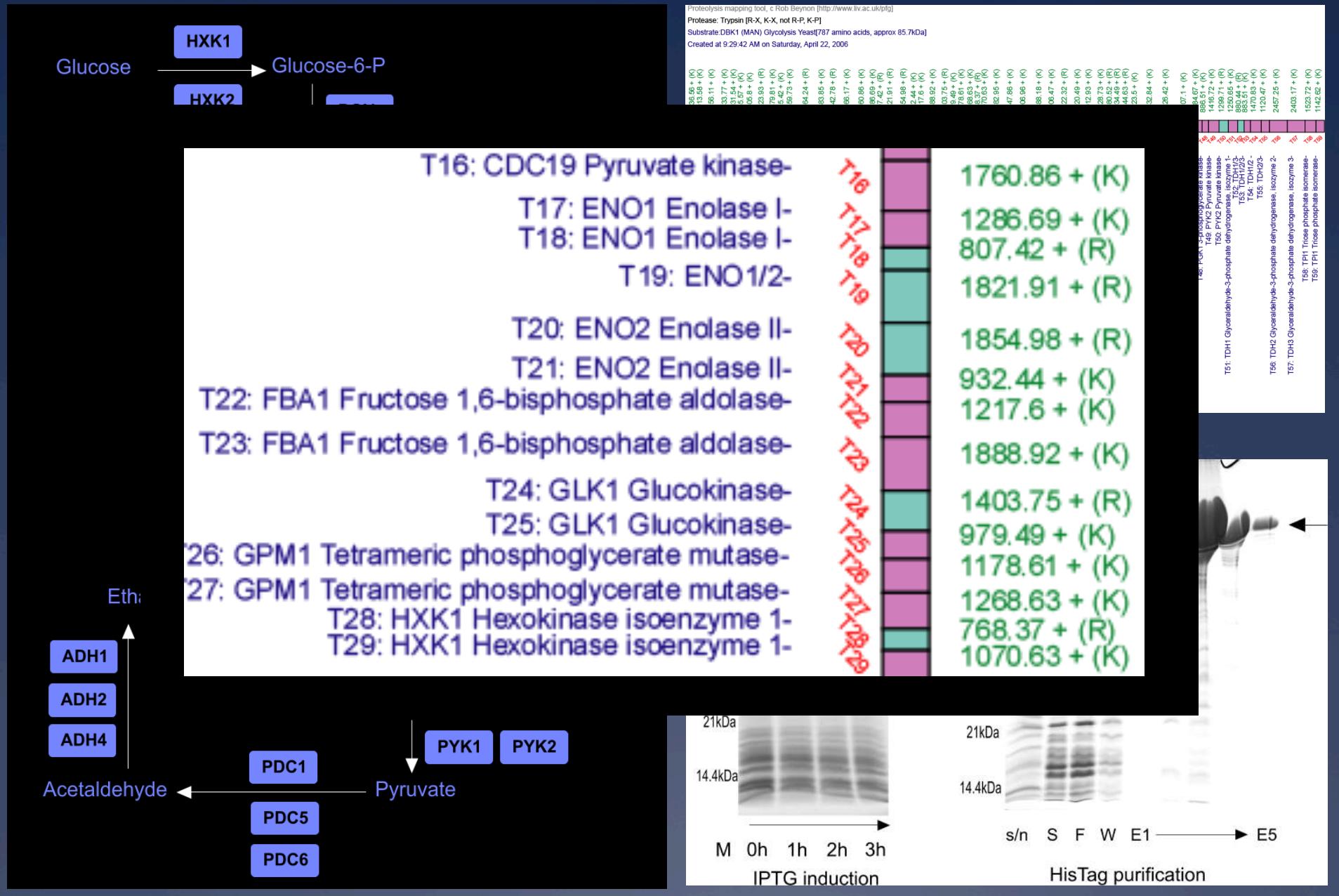
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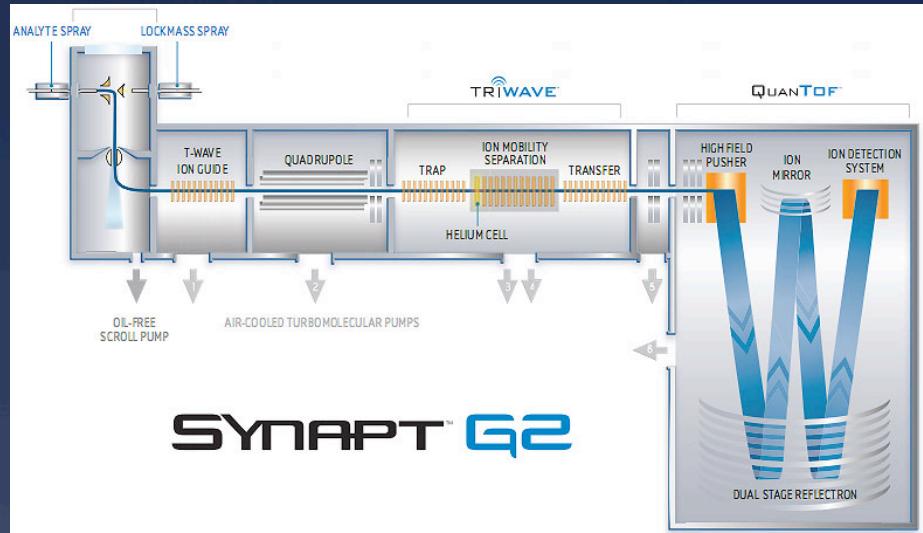
# Instrument-based enhancements

Synapt G2 has an ion mobility cell

This can be used for precursor fractionation in the gas phase

Drift time increases the number of precursor/product associations

Greater identifications, all quantified



# Label free analysis, XXXX stress response



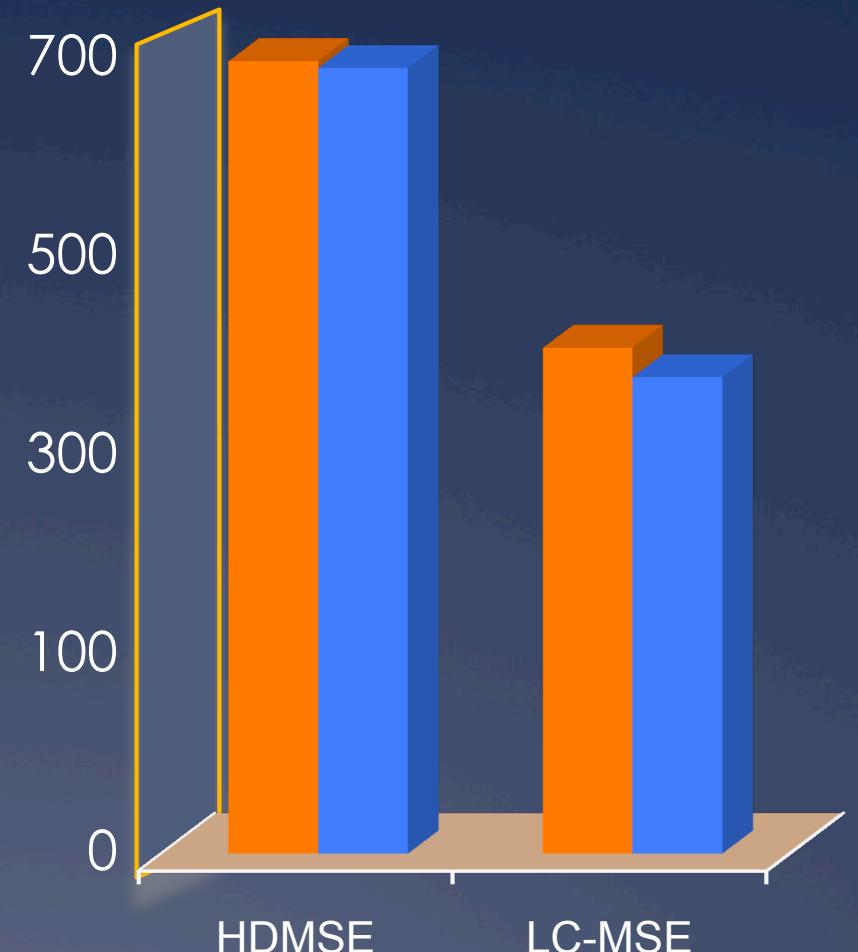
- Batch grown cultures, full aeration
- 4 biological replicates: control + stress

- 5X extraction (98%+)

- 500ng protein on column
- 50fmol internal standard

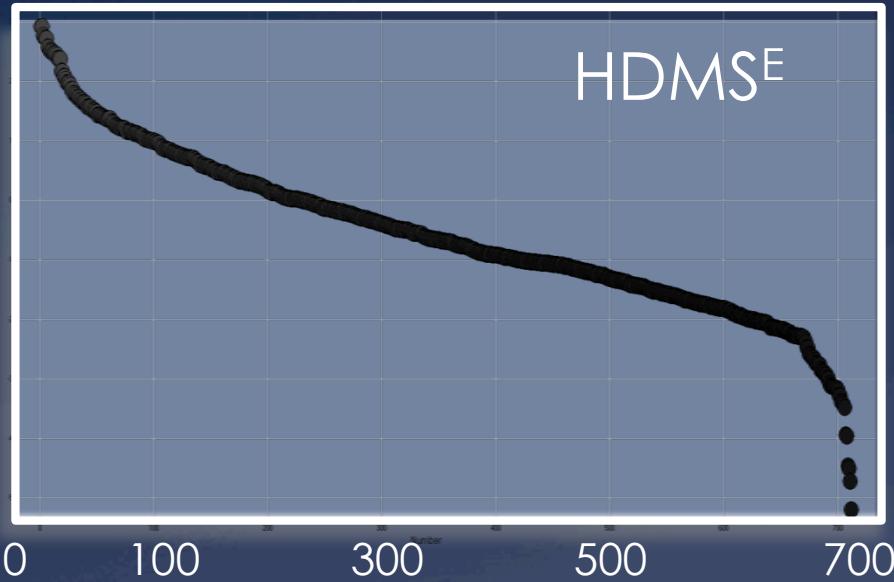
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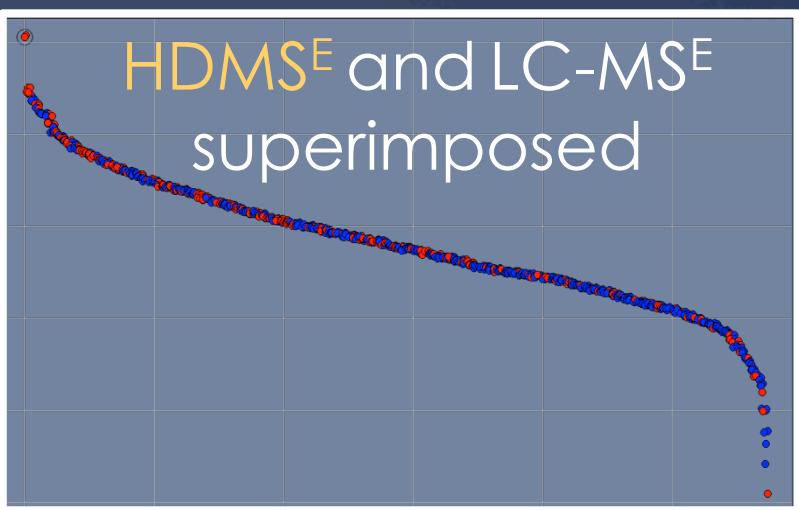
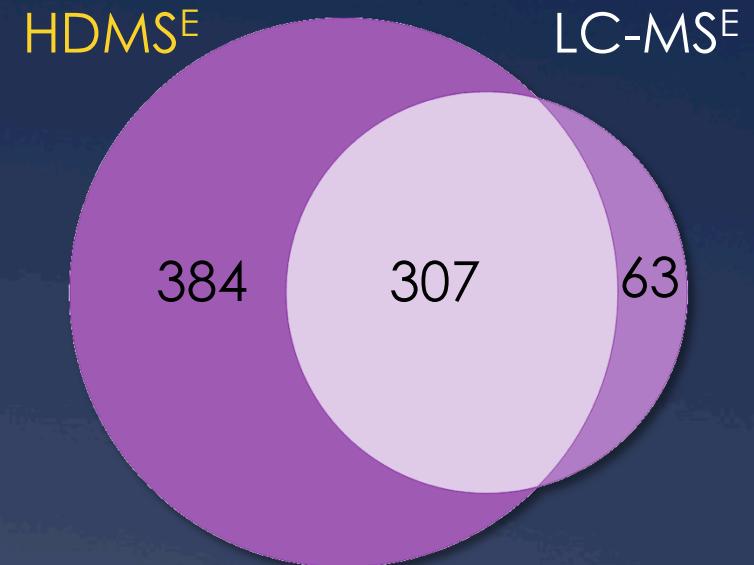


# Identification/quantification gain with HDMS<sup>E</sup>

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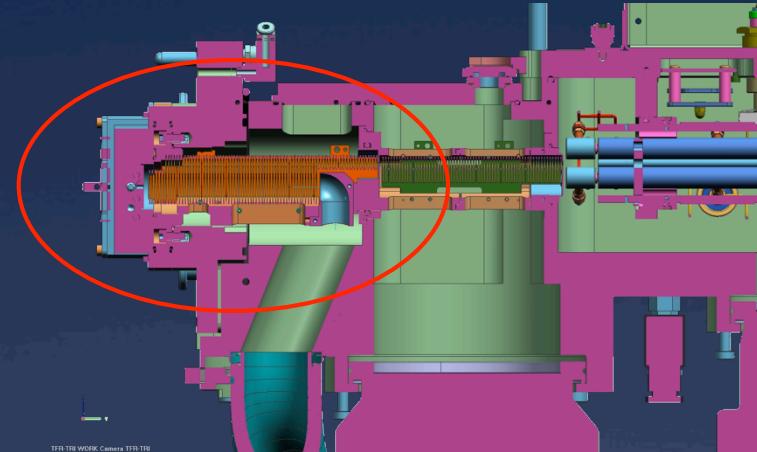


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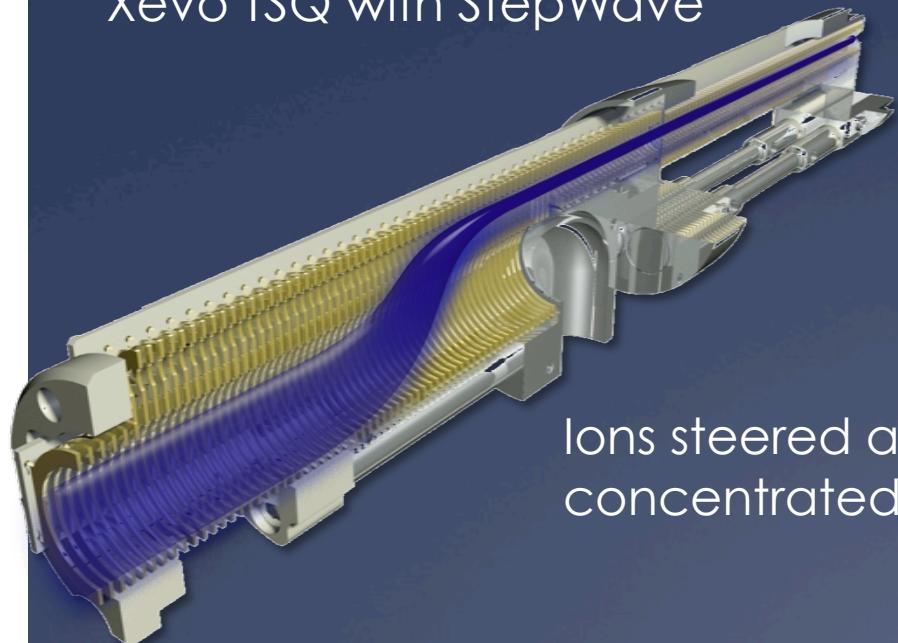
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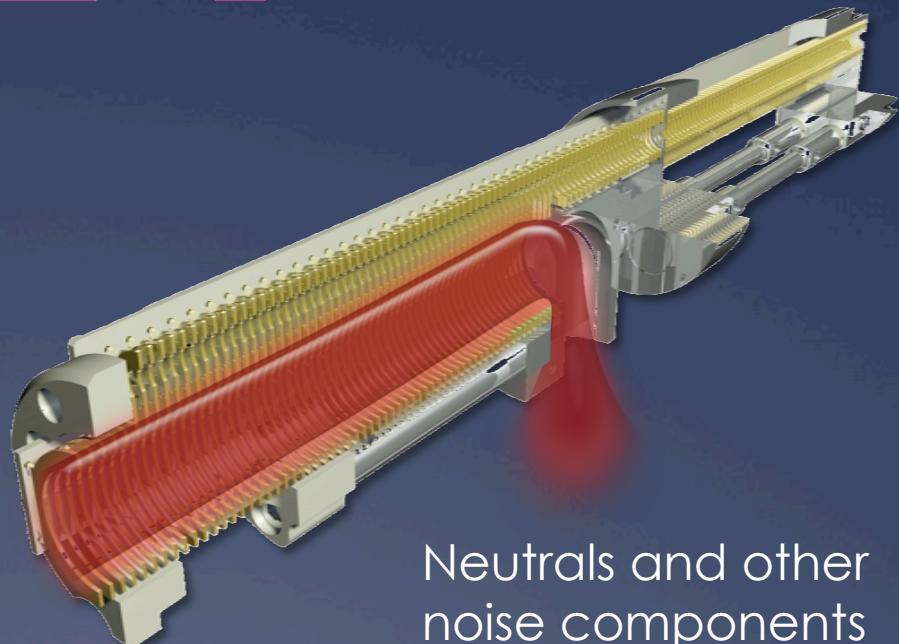


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Xevo TSQ with StepWave

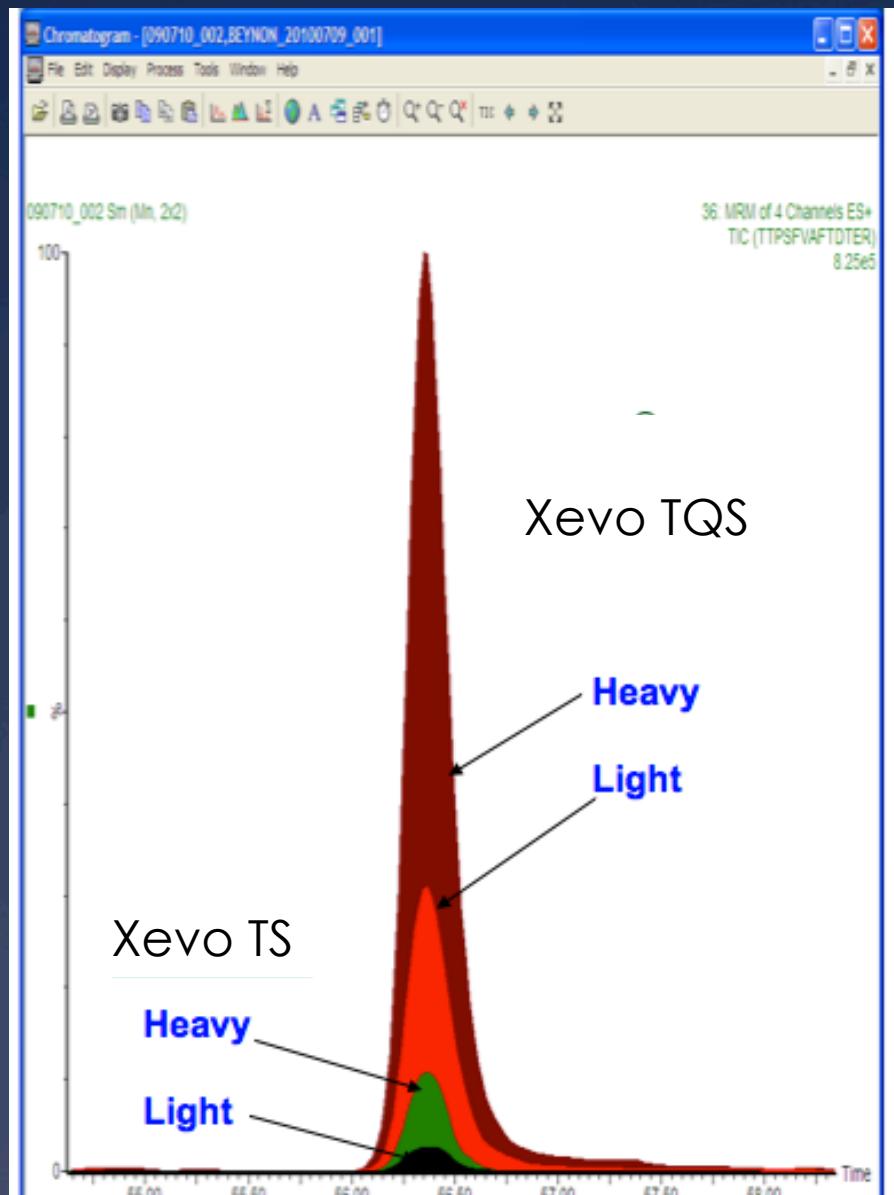


Ions steered and  
concentrated



Neutrals and other  
noise components  
removed

# Source enhancements



Xevo TQ and Xevo TQ-S analysis  
of COPYCAT 1 in yeast tryptic  
digest

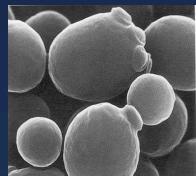
QCONCAT Peptide :  
[<sup>13</sup>C<sub>6</sub>]TTPSFVAFDTDTER

Yeast Peptide TTPSFVAFDTDTER

TIC from four MRM channels  
overlaid and axis linked

Sensitivity increase 10 fold

# The scale of the challenge



Yeast

[ 10 million cells ]

0.06mg protein = 6pg/cell



Digest 100 $\mu$ g/200 $\mu$ L digest  
(17 million cells in digest)

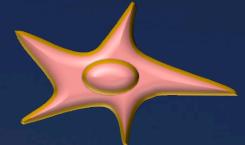


Apply 1000ng 'protein' (1 $\mu$ L)  
~170,000 cells on column



Lowest sensitivity=  
~4 copies/cell

QqQ LOQ=1attomol  
=600,000 molecules



HeLa

~2.5mg protein = 250pg/cell



Digest 100 $\mu$ g/200 $\mu$ L digest  
(0.5 million cells in digest)



Apply 1000ng 'protein' (1 $\mu$ L)  
~4,000 cells on column



Lowest sensitivity=  
150 copies/cell