

Gaining Advantage

Basics of GC & GC-MS/MS and its applications in Food Safety

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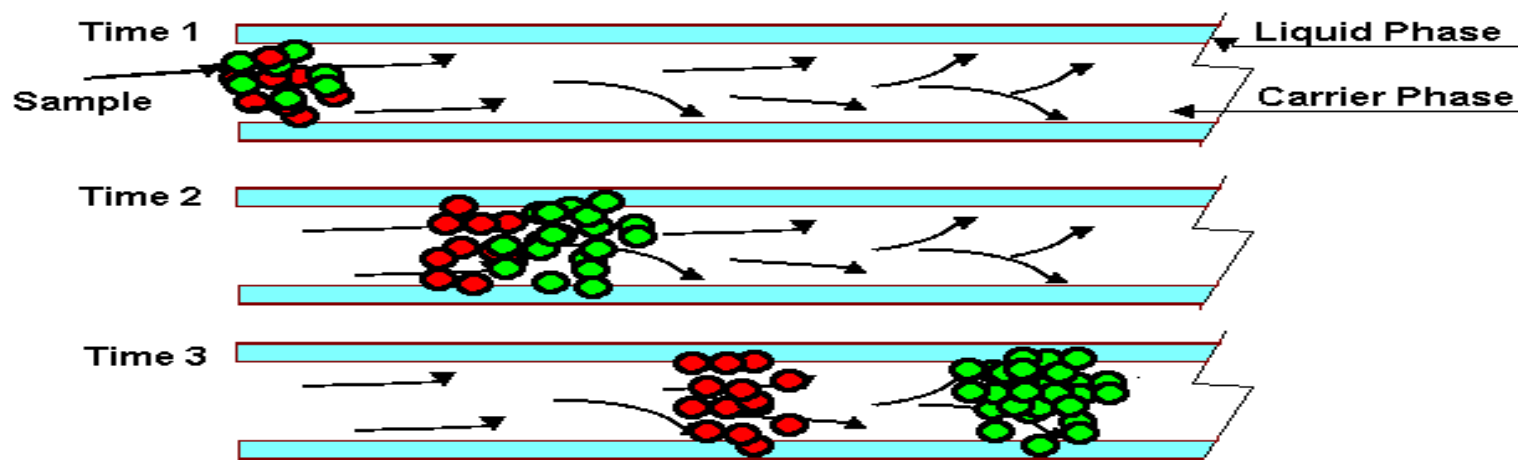
Agenda

- Basics of Gas Chromatography
- Basics of Mass Spectrometry (SQ/TQ)
- Sample Preparation Techniques
- Application

Basic Concepts of Gas Chromatography

1. Chromatography
2. Gas Chromatography
 - I. Injection systems
 - II. Columns
 - III. GC detector
 - IV. Applications

The chromatographic process



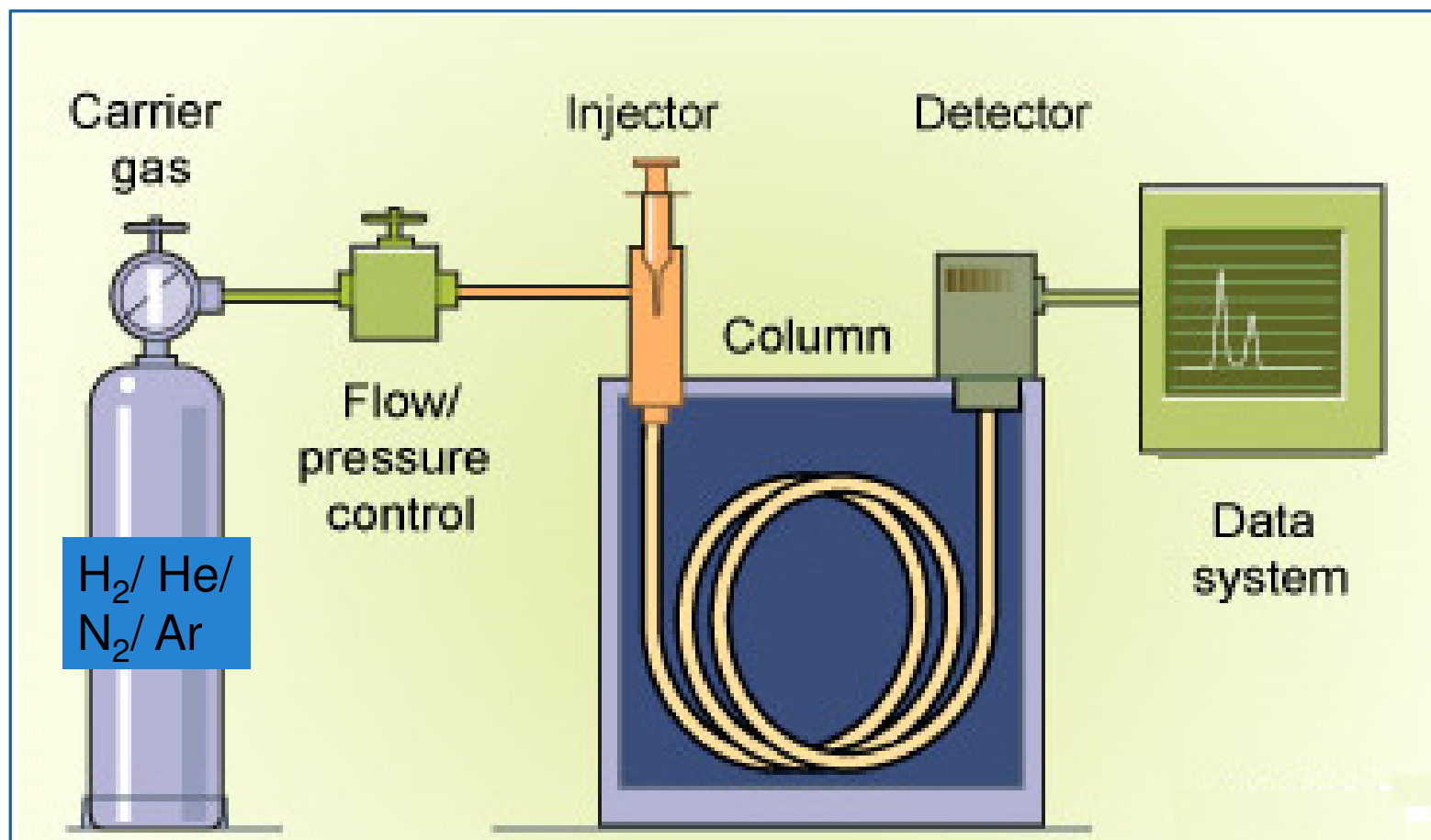
Two different substances are partitioned between two phases. Depending on their affinity (toward the stationary phase) will spent different times adsorbed by the stationary phase.

Identification- Which are (the components)?

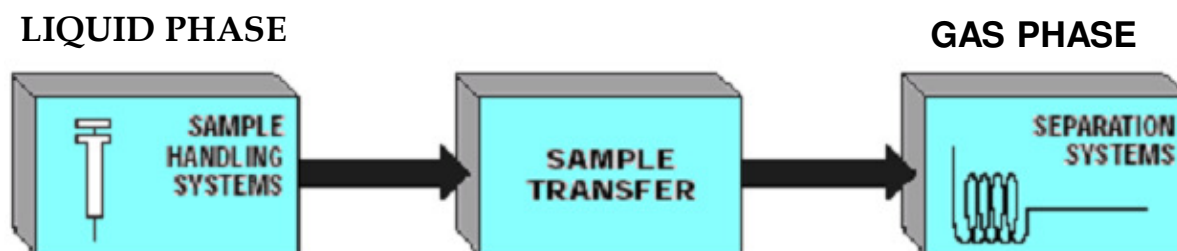
and

Quantitative-How much (of the single component)?

Gas Chromatographic Equipment



Injection techniques



- **Vaporizing.**

The liquid sample is evaporated prior to be transferred to the separation column

- Split Spliless: SSL (permanently hot)
- Programmed Temperature Vaporizer: PTV

- **Nonvaporizing**

The liquid sample evaporates into the separation column (or a precolumn)

- Cold On Column: OC (permanently cool)

- **Splitting.**

Only a part of the liquid sample is transferred to the separation column

- SSL and PTV Split

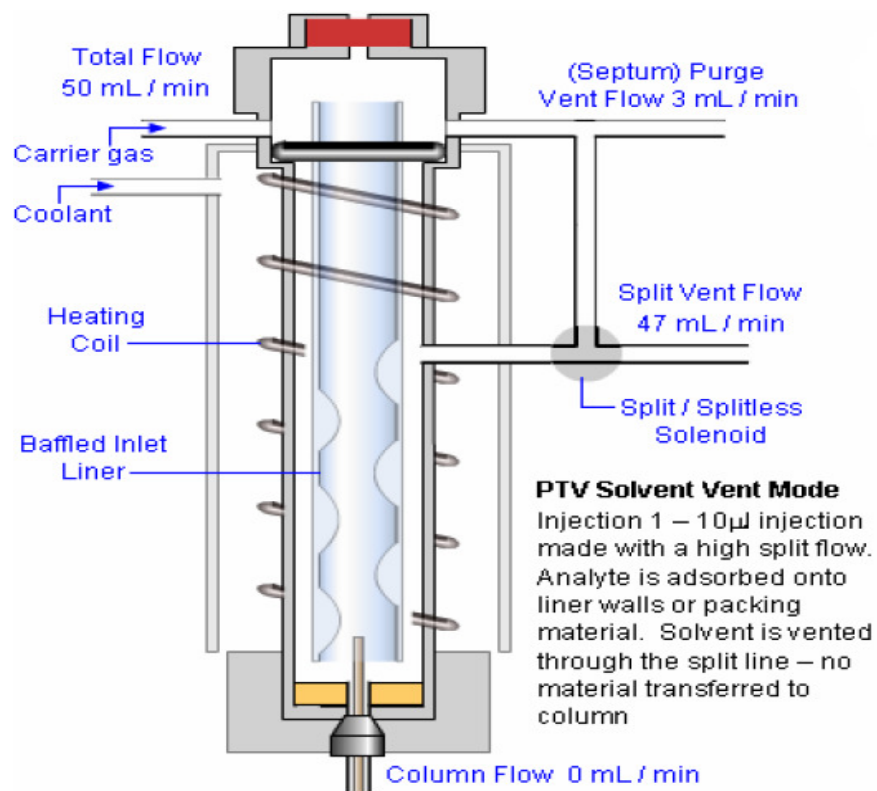
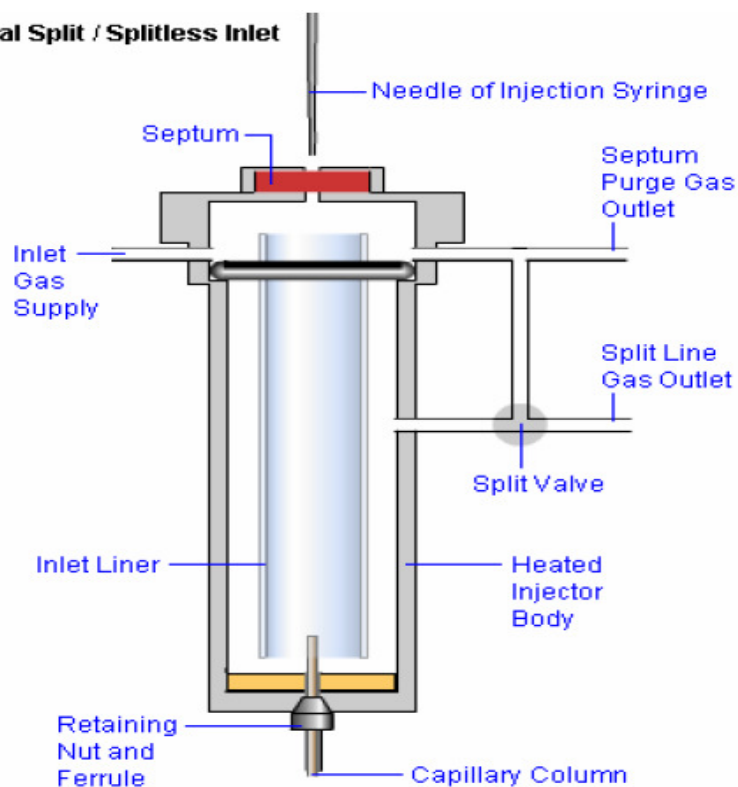
- **Nonsplitting.**

The whole liquid sample is transferred to the separation column

- OC (permanently cool)
- SSL and PTV Splitless

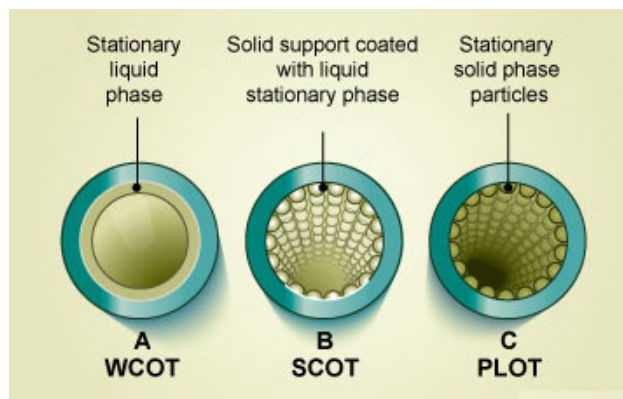
Split / splitless (S/SL) and PTV inlets

Typical Split / Splitless Inlet



GC Columns main characteristics

Column type	Internal diameter	Carrier flow
Mega bore column	0.53 mm ID	5 – 10 ml/min
Wide bore column	0.25 – 0.32 mm ID	3 - 4 ml/min
Narrow bore column (e.g. UFM)	0.1 mmID	1 – 1.5 ml/min



GC columns	Polarity	Stationary Phase
TG-1MS GC columns	Non-polar	100% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-5MS GC columns	Less polar	5% diphenyl / 95% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-35MS GC columns	Mid polar	35% diphenyl / 65% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-1301MS GC columns	Mid polar	6% cyanopropyl phenyl / 94% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-624 GC columns	Mid polar	6% cyanopropyl phenyl / 94% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-1701MS GC columns	Mid polar	14% cyanopropyl phenyl / 86% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-17MS GC columns	Mid polar	50% diphenyl / 50% dimethyl polysiloxane
TG-225MS GC columns	Polar	50% cyanopropyl / 50% phenyl methyl polysiloxane
TG-200MS GC columns	Polar	Trifluoropropyl methylpolysiloxane
TG-WaxMS GC columns	Polar	Polyethylene glycol
TRACE TR-FAME GC columns	Polar	70% cyanopropyl polysiloxane

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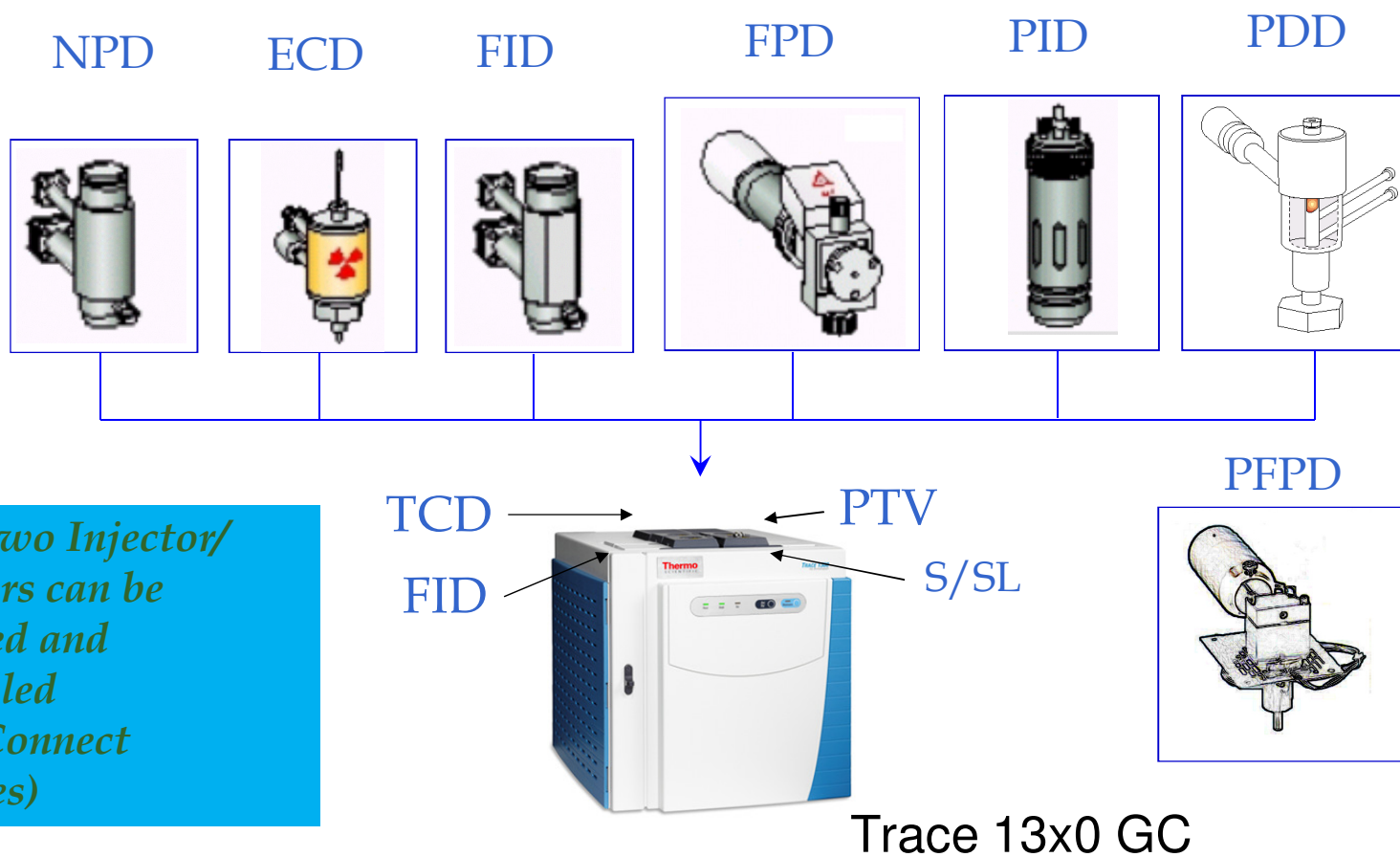
$$R_s = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{4} \left(\frac{k}{k+1} \right) \left(\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha} \right)$$

Efficiency
Retention
Selectivity

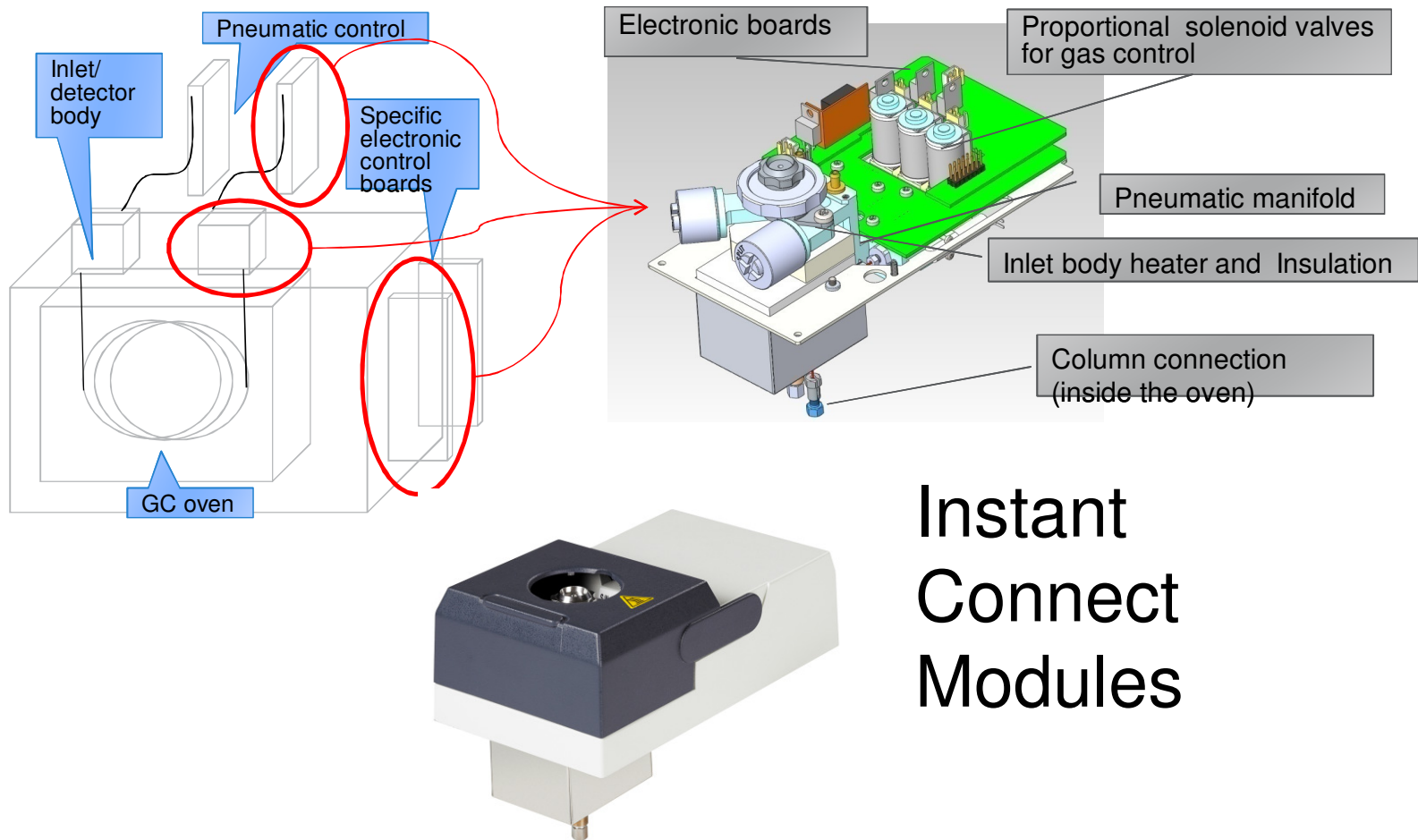
$N = f$ (gas, L, r_c)
 $k = f$ (T, d_f , r_c)
 $\alpha = f$ (T, phase)

L = Length
 r_c = column radius
 d_f = film thickness
T = temperature

Detectors overview

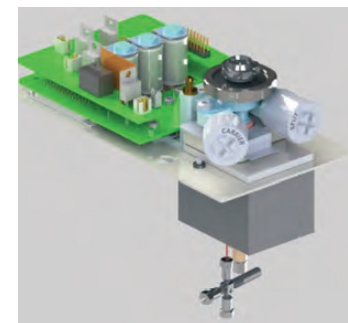
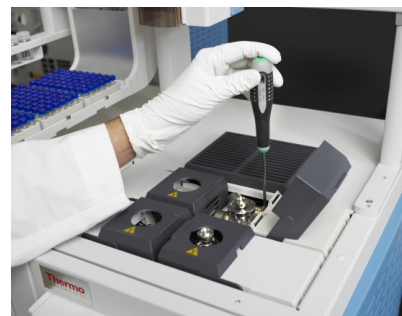
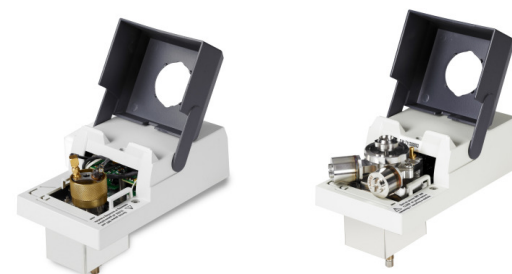


Miniaturization -A new Modular Approach



TRACE 1300 Series: Tailor instrument configuration

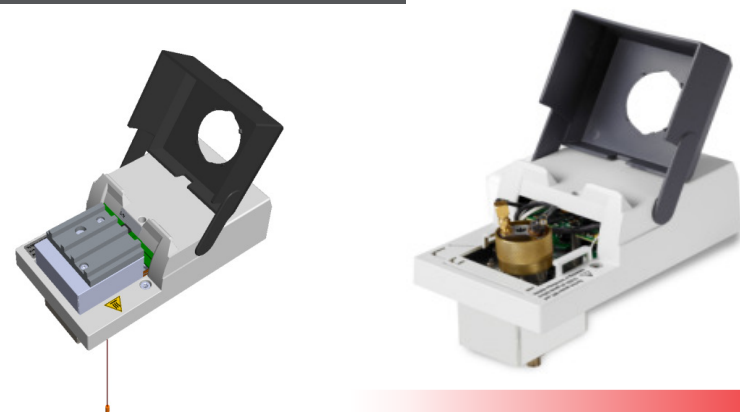
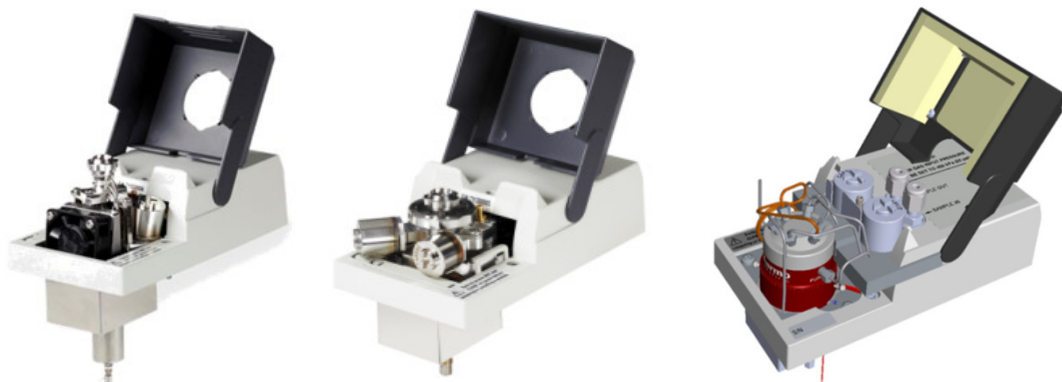
- Thermo Fisher proprietary, patent-pending “Instant Connect” modules
- Modules are [user installable in only two minutes](#)
 - just removing three screws you'll put the new module in place
- No special training, dedicated tools or on-site service engineers required
- Every injector and detector is compact and self-sufficient
 - containing the Integrated Electronic gas Control (IEC),
 - all hardware and electronics



There is an Instant Connect Module for that!

- Injection techniques
 - Split/splitless
 - Backflush option
 - Helium Saver
 - PTV
 - Backflush option
 - Gas Sample Valve
 - Cold-on-column

iConnect Modules

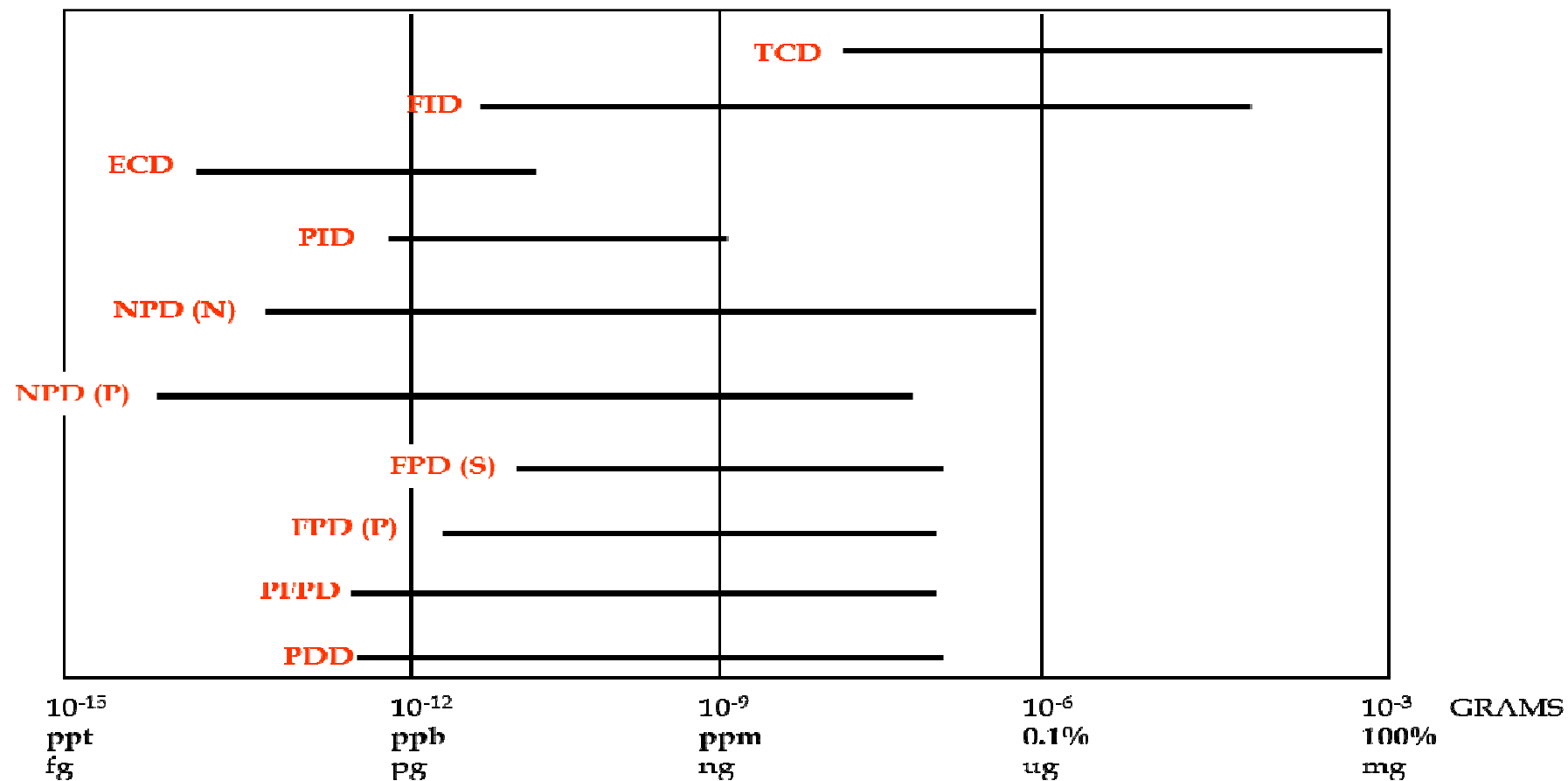


- Detection Techniques

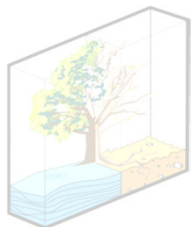
- FID
- TCD
- FPD
- ECD
- NPD
- MS – ISQ, TSQ, Orbitrap, DFHR
- FTIR
- ICPMS

iConnect Modules

Detectors dynamic range and sensitivity



Use of GC detectors in different application fields



Environmental

- **ECD**
 - EDB and DBCP in wastewater and soil (EPA 504, EPA 8011)
 - Purgeables Halocarbon (EPA 502.1)
 - Halogenated pesticides in wastewater and soil (EPA 505/508, EPA 515, EPA 8081)
 - Herbicides (EPA 515.4)
 - Chlorinated pesticides and PCBs (EPA 8080, EPA 8081A, EPA 8082)
- **NPD**
 - Herbicides, Insecticides, Pesticides (EPA 507, EPA 8141)
- **FPD**
 - Butyl tin compounds
 - Organophosphorous pesticides
- **PID**
 - PAHs , Purgeables Aromatic Organics
- **FID**
 - TPH in water and soil



Toxicology and forensic

- **NPD**
 - Drugs
- **FID**
 - Ethanol and methanol in blood
 - Arson accelerant in fire debris



Food Safety

- **ECD**
 - Chloro pesticides in Drinking water (EPA 508.1)
 - Trihalomethanes in Drinking water (EPA 501)
 - Chlorinated Acids (EPA 515.1)
 - Acrylamide in food (EPA 8032)
 - Chlorinated disinfectant by-product (EPA 551)
 - Halogenated acetic acids in drinking water (EPA 552)
 - Polychlorophenols
- **PID**
 - Phthalates in drinking water (EPA 506)
 - Purgeable Aromatics (EPA 503.1)

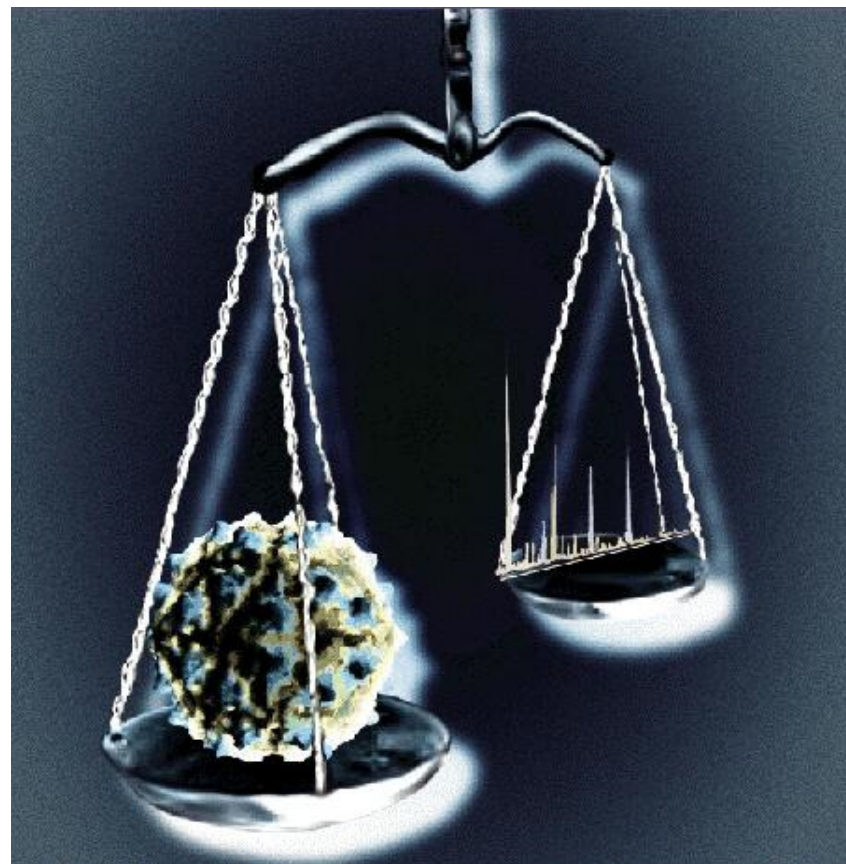


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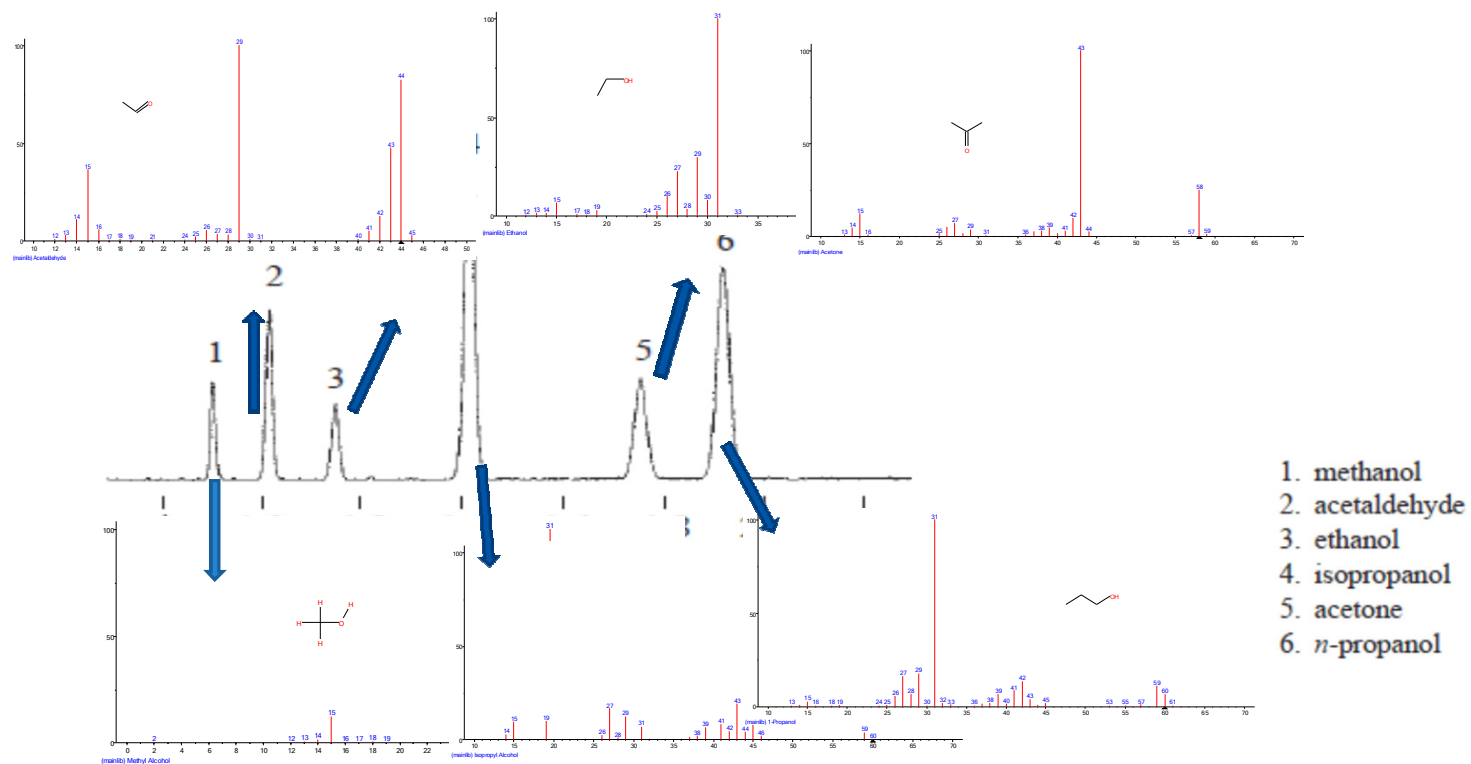
- **FID**
 - Simdist
 - Oxygenated in Fuel
 - Benzene in Gasoline
 - DHA
- **TCD**
 - RGA, NGA
- **PDD**
 - High Purity Gases
- **PFPD**
 - Sulfur in Diesel
 - Sulfur in LPG

What is Mass Spectrometry?

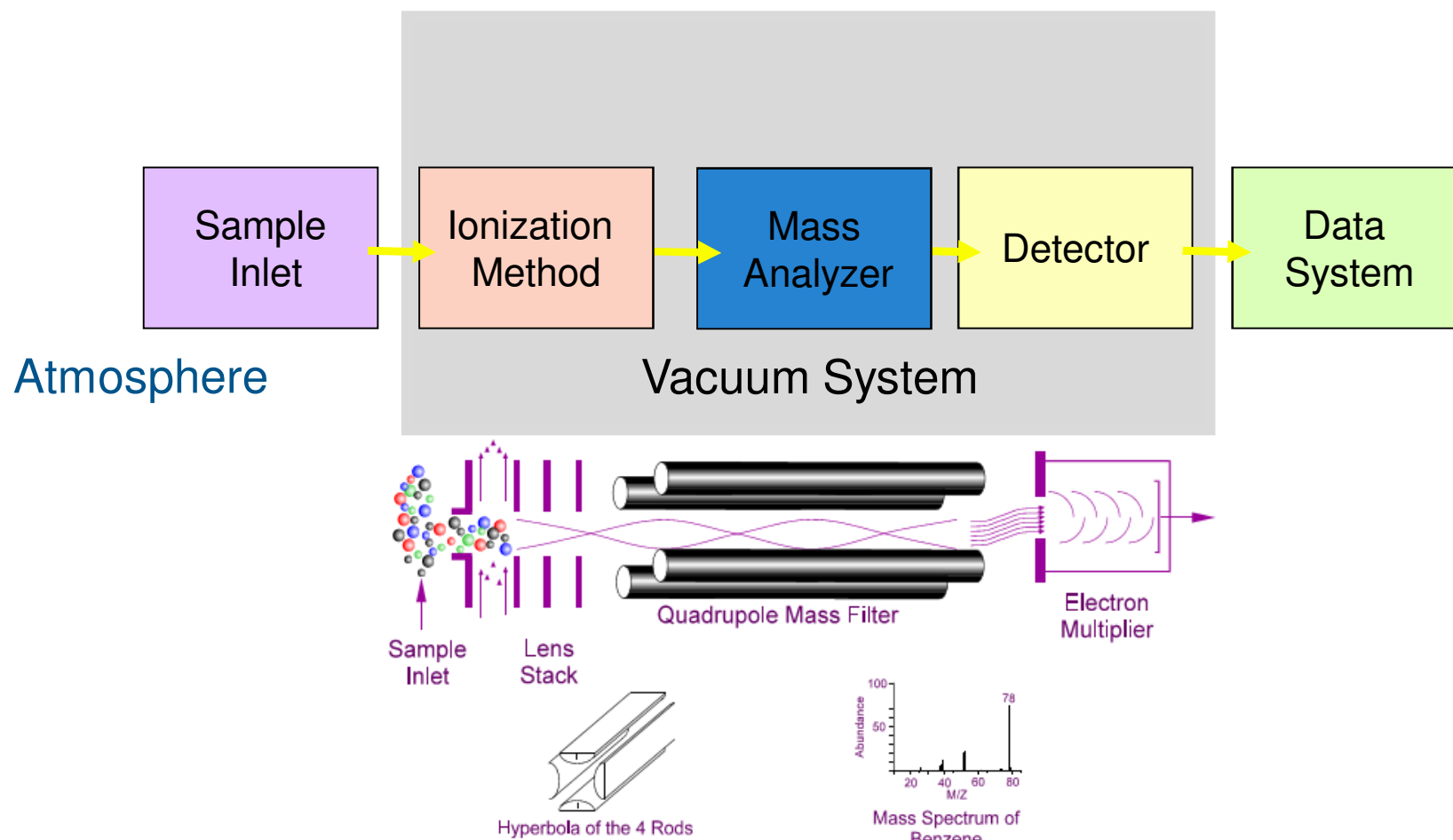
“The basis of MS (mass spectrometry) is the **production of ions** that are subsequently separated or **filtered according to their mass-to-charge (m/z) ratio** and **detected**. The resulting mass spectrum is a plot of the (relative) abundance of the produced ions as a function of the m/z ratio.”



Chromatogram- How to identify in GC ?



Mass Spectrometer





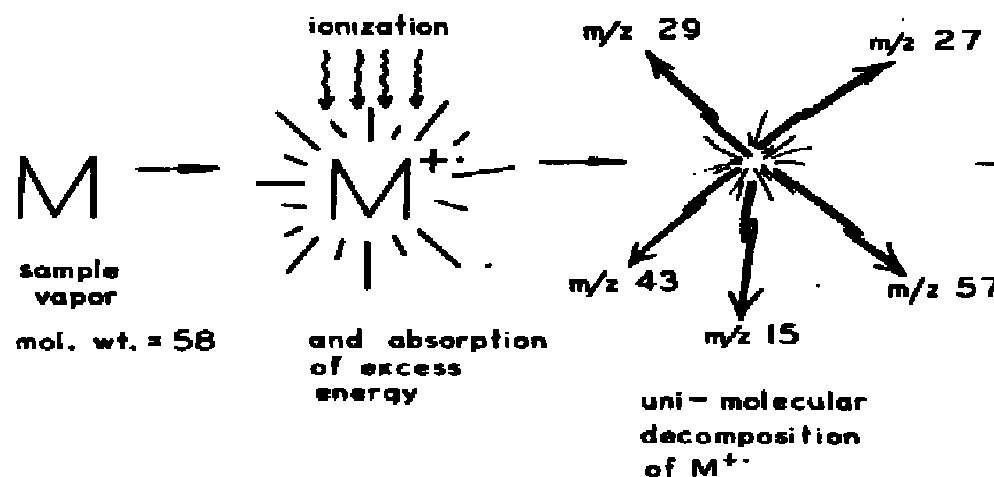
Ionization Methods in GCMS

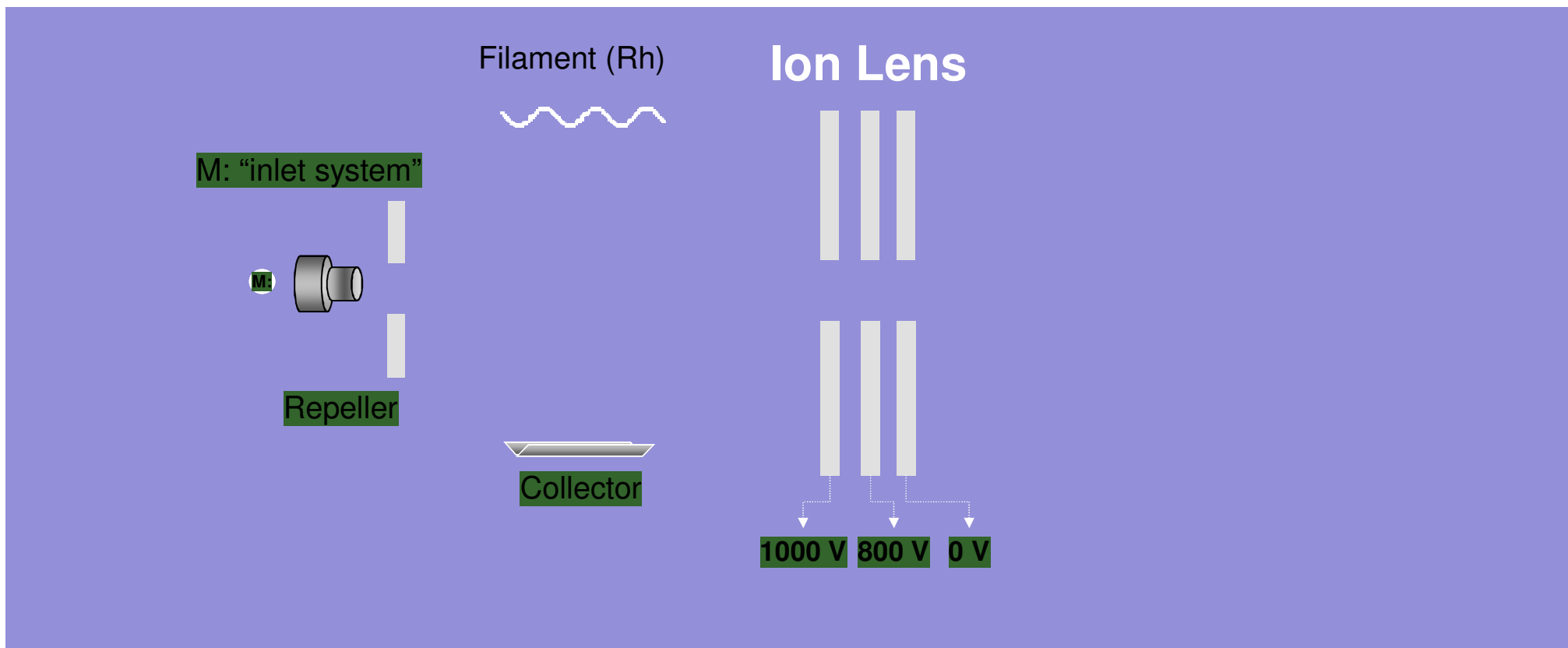
1. Electron Ionisation (Hard Ionisation)
2. Chemical Ionisation (Soft Ionisation)

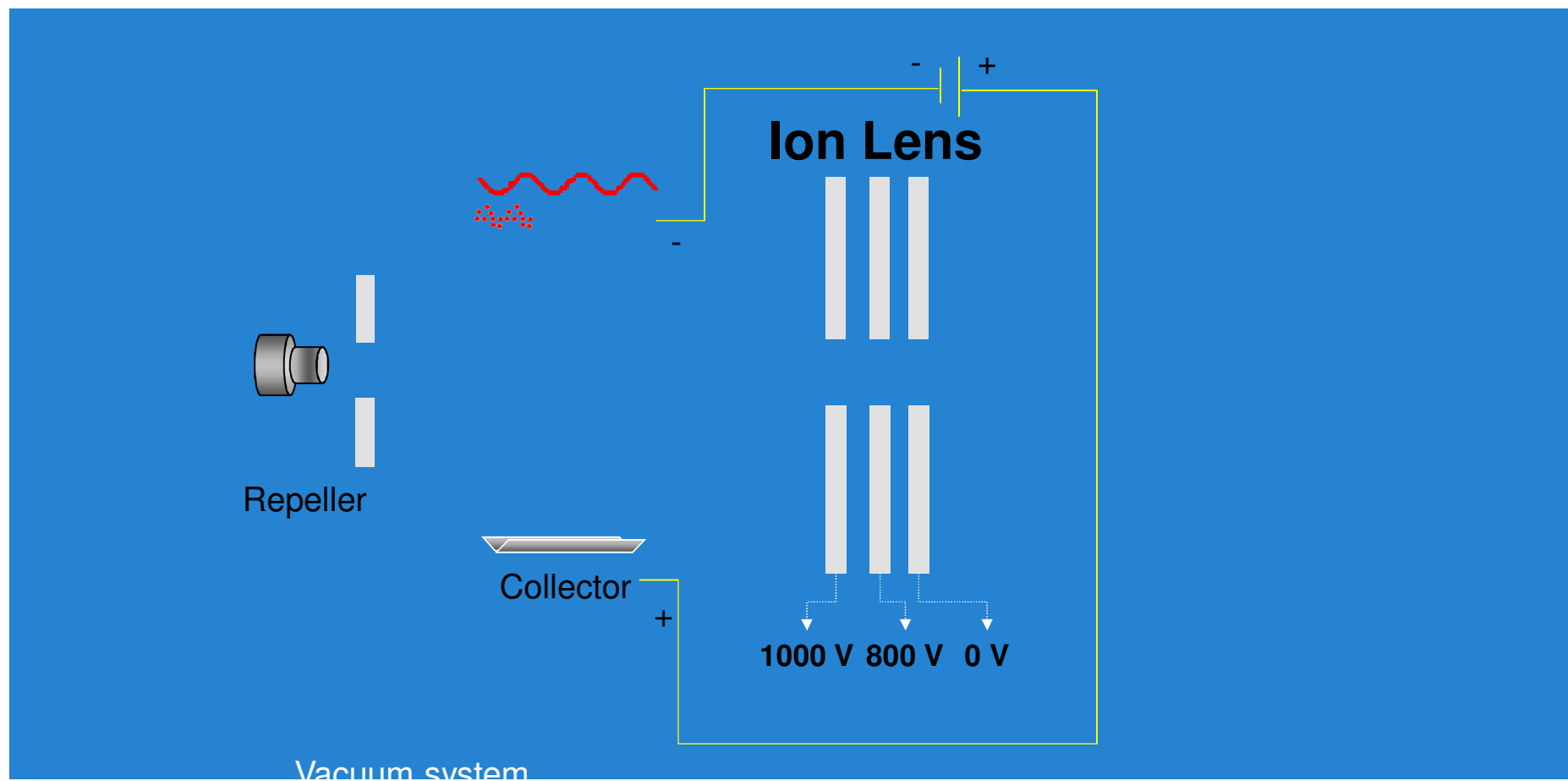
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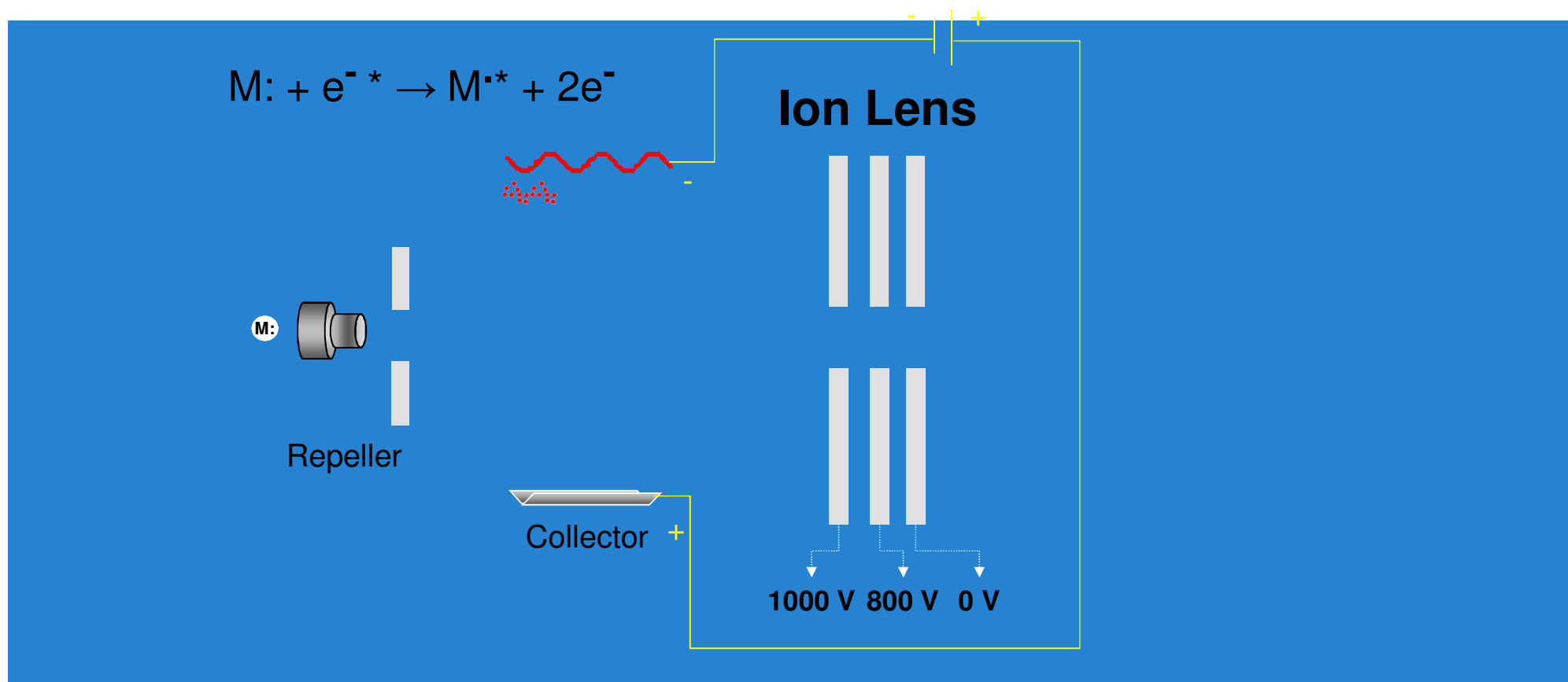
Electron Ionization

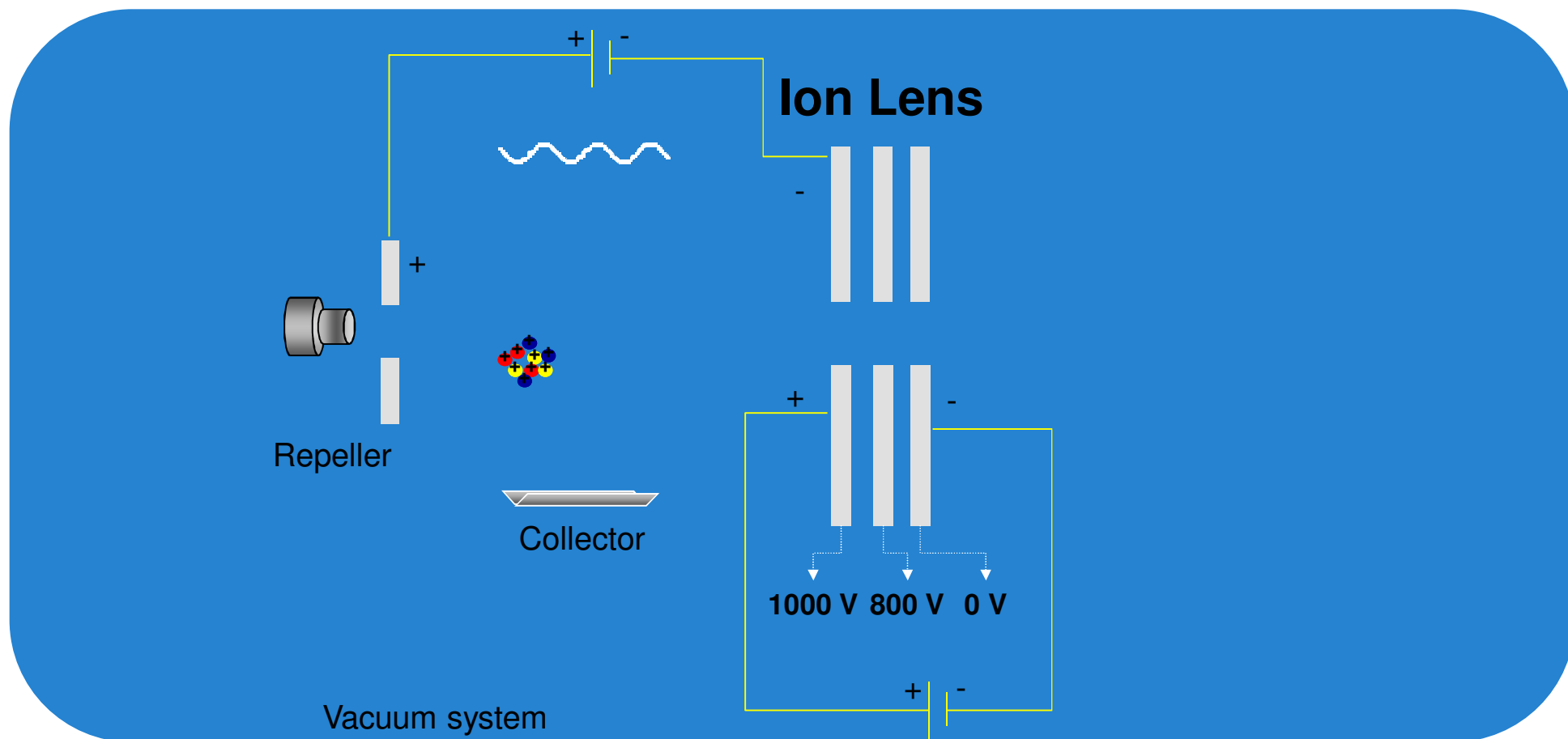
- Most common method of ionization for GC-MS
- Used as both -qualitative and quantitative tool
- Produces mass spectra of molecules
 - Fragmentation fingerprints
 - Combine with retention time for positive identification
- Use single ion for quantitation with one or more ions for verification



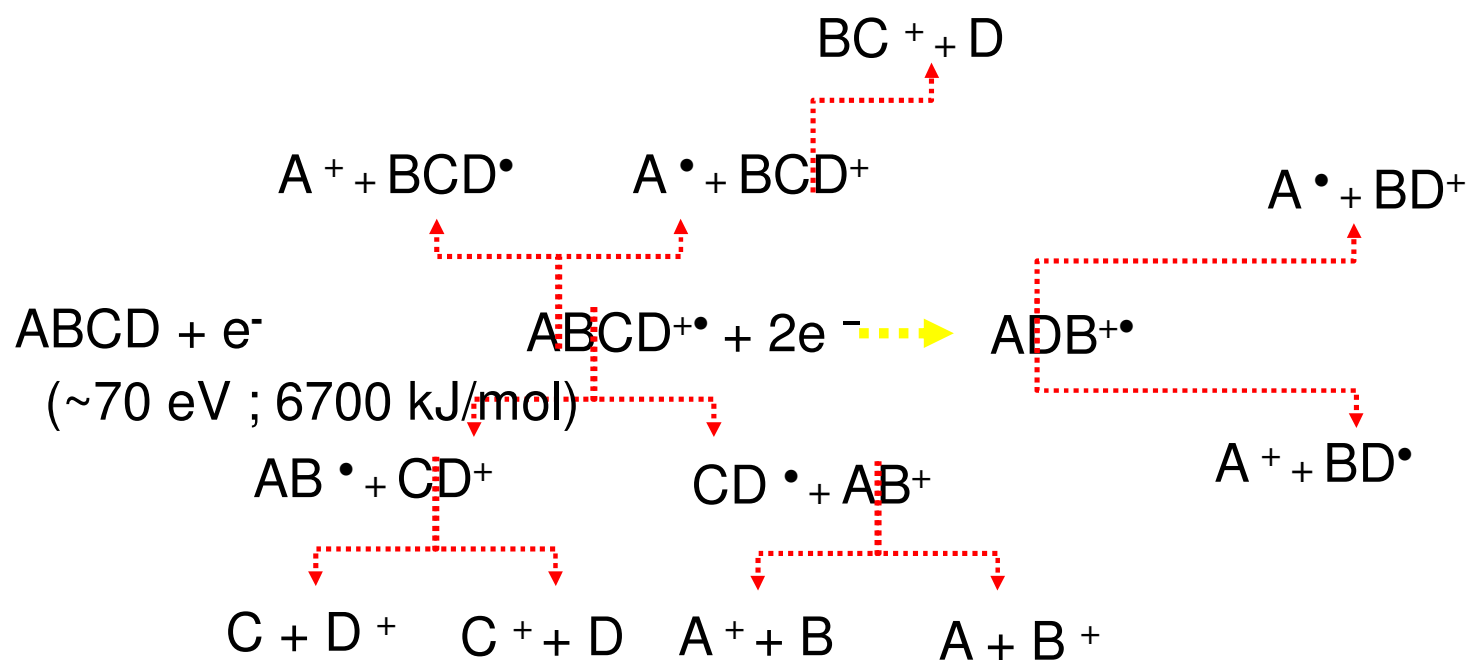








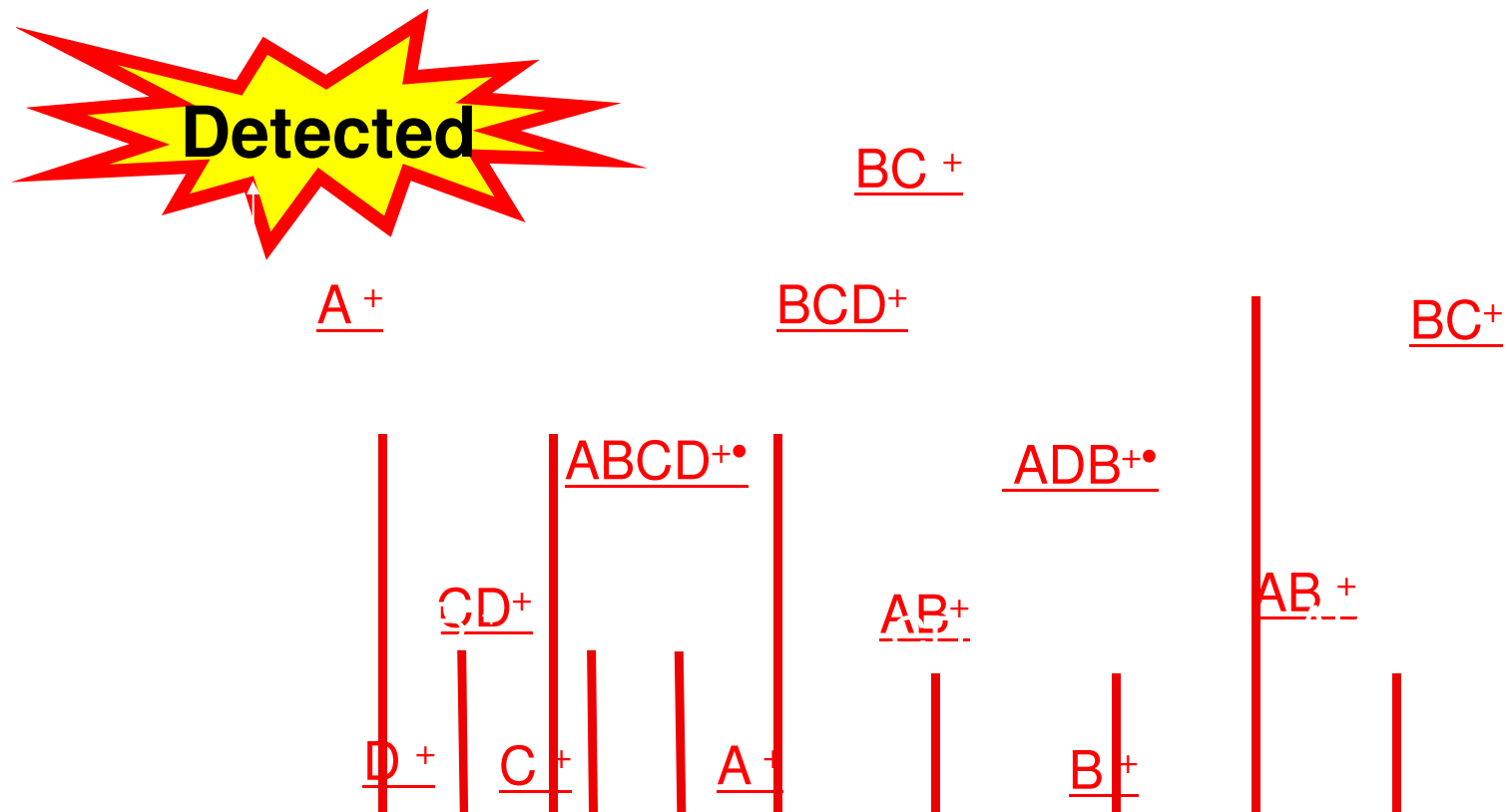
Fragmentation Process



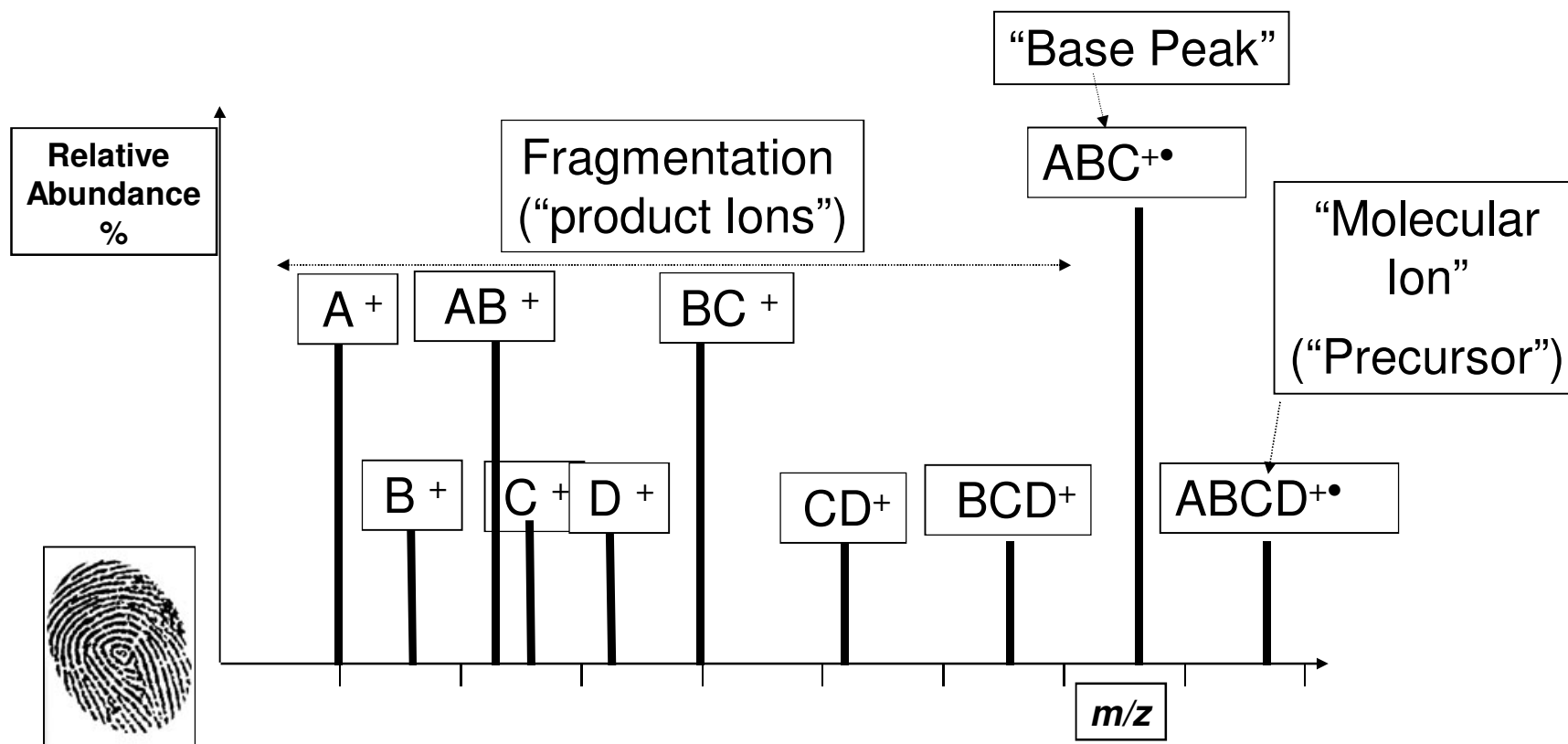
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REARRANGEMENTS

Fragmentation process

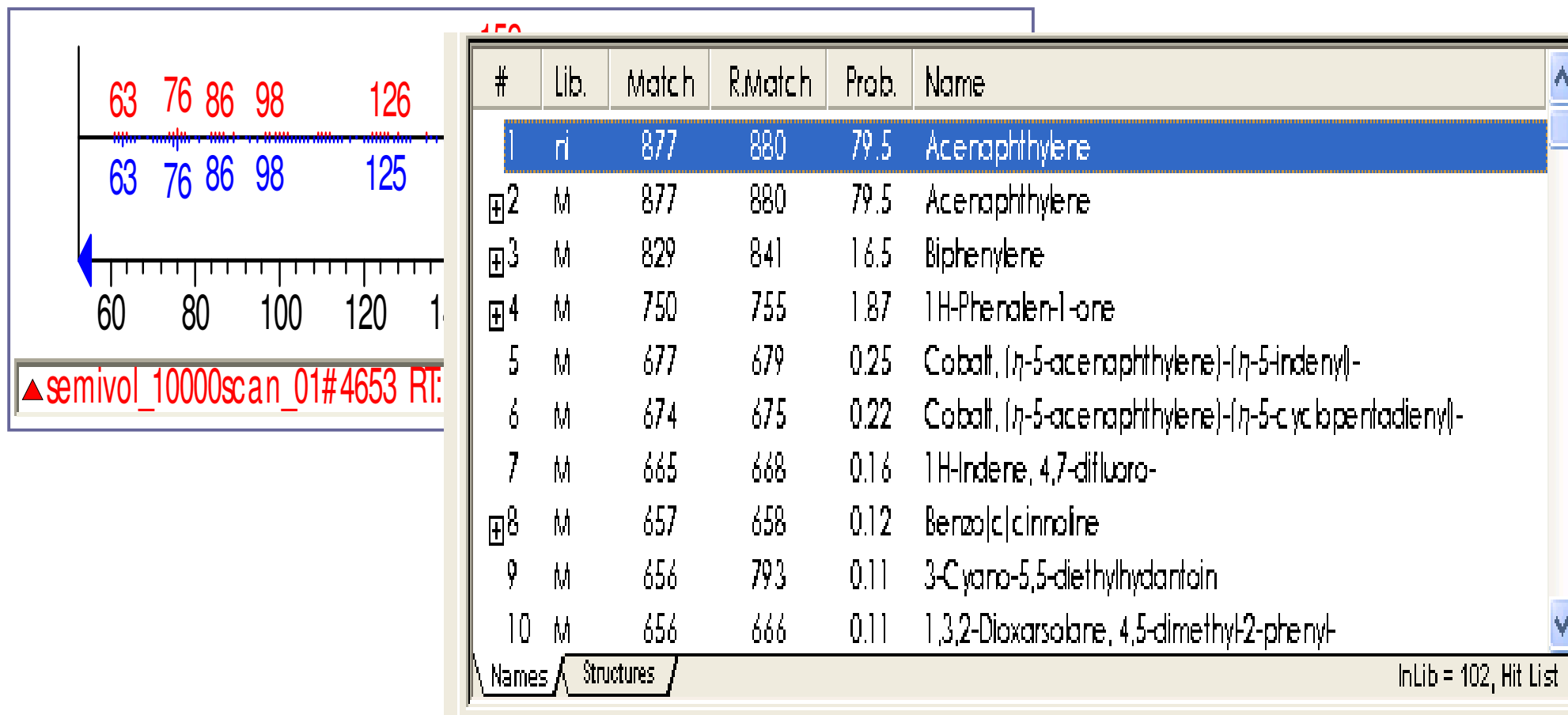


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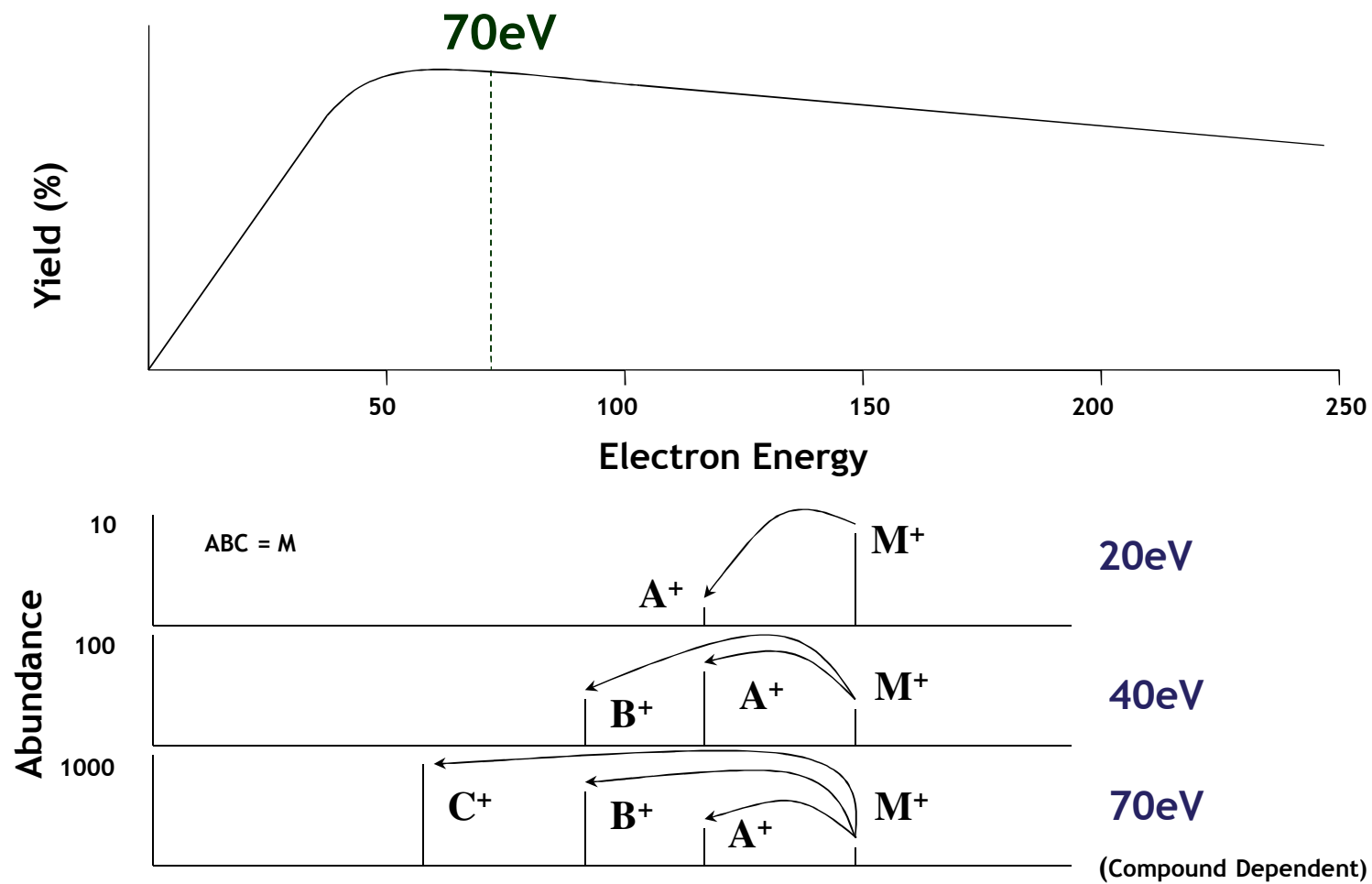


NIST Library Result

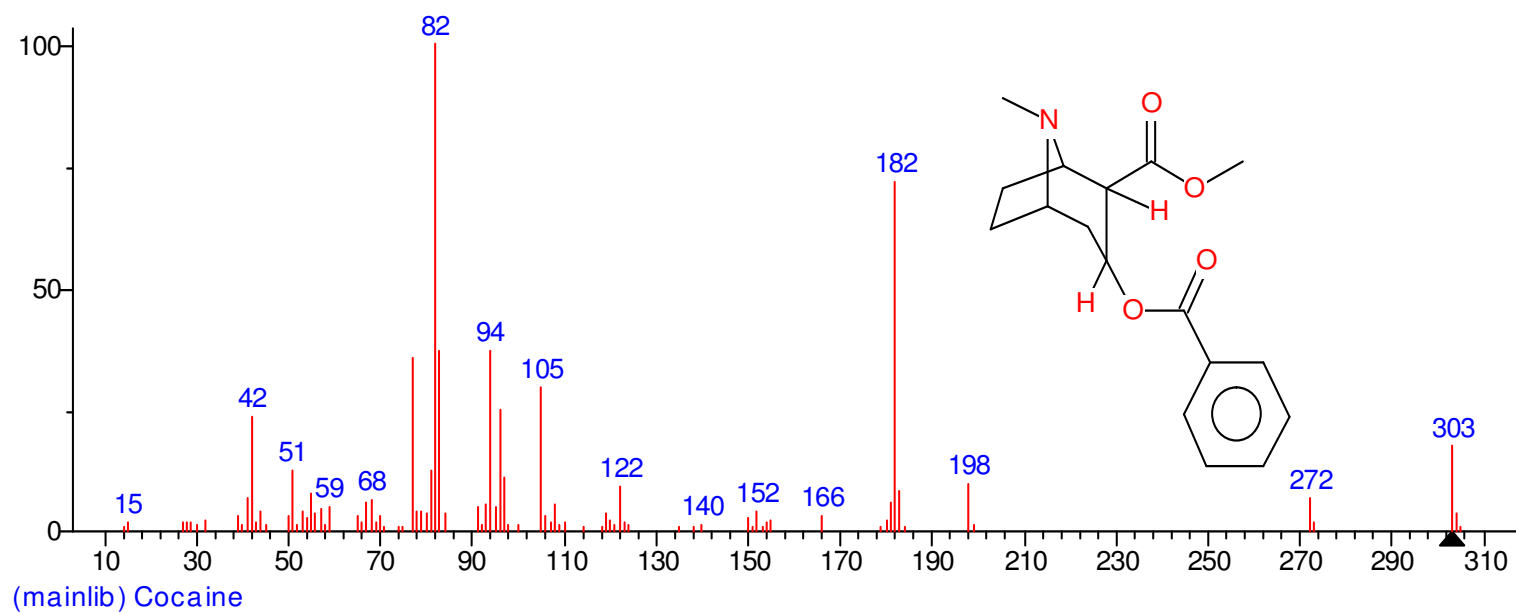
- NIST Library Search Result for Acenaphthylene



Electron Energy



EI 70eV MS spectrum

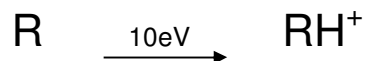


Chemical Ionisation

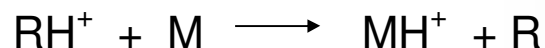
Positive CI (PCI)

Two reaction steps are always necessary:

1. In the primary reaction a stable cluster of reagent ions is produced from the reagent gas through electron bombardment (low energy)

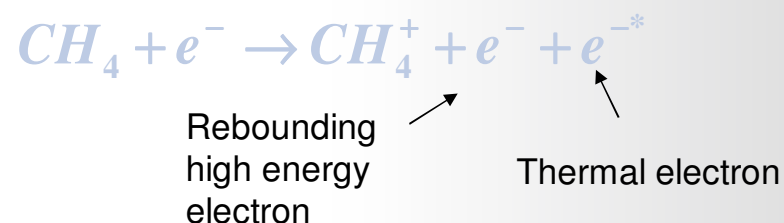


2. In the secondary reaction the molecule M reacts with the ions in the reagent gas cluster.



Negative CI (NCI)

Reagent gas reactions (methane)



Kinetic energy of electrons further reduced by collisions with reagent gas

Resonance capture $AB + e^{-*} \rightarrow AB^-$

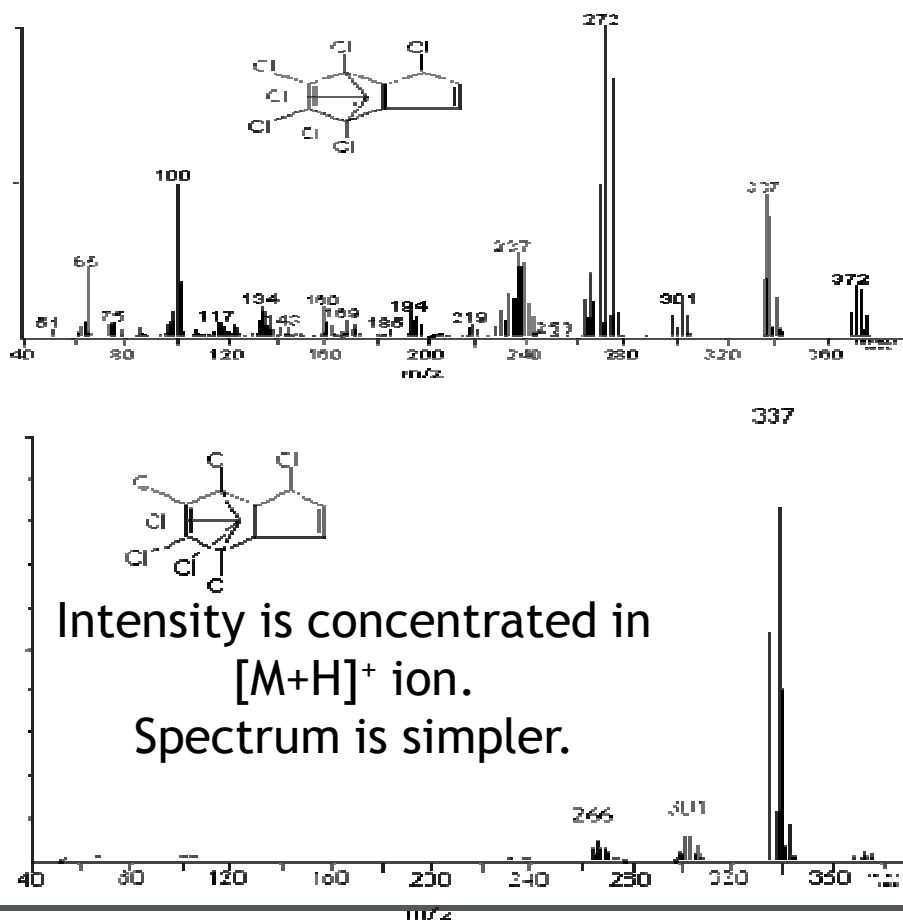
Dissociative resonance capture



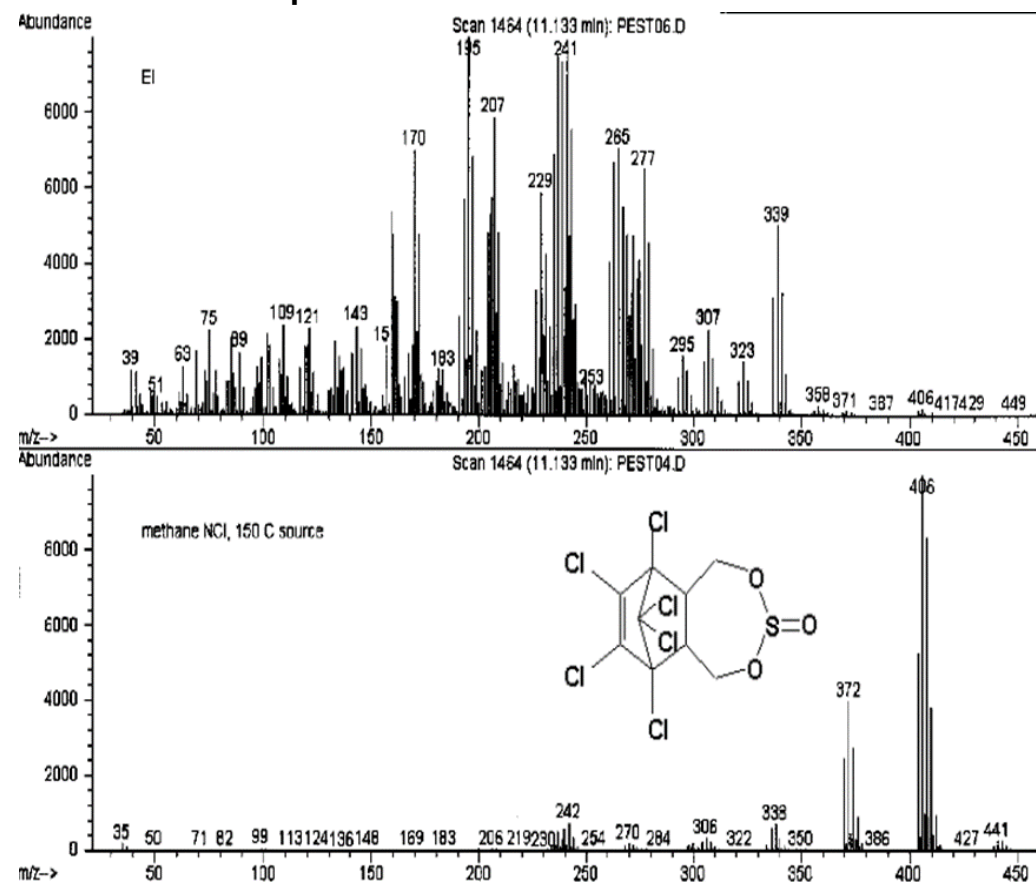
e^{-*} : thermal electron

EI versus PCI/ NCI for Pesticides

EI and PCI Spectrum of Heptachlor



EI and NCI Spectrum of Endosulfan I



Chemical Ionization

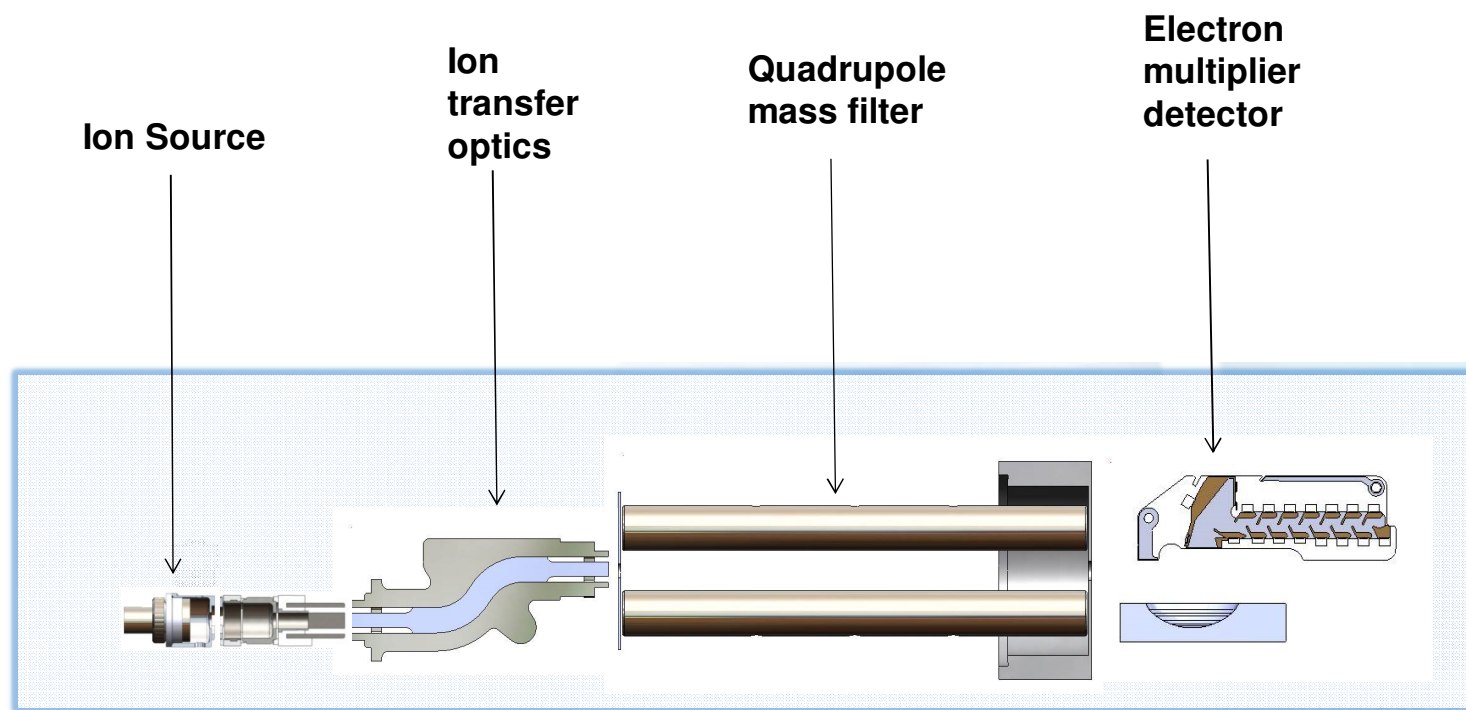
Advantages:

- ❑ Molecular weight information
- ❑ Increased selectivity for many compounds
- ❑ Selectivity affected by reagent gas
- ❑ High pressure CI produces true CI spectra (including adduct ions for confirmation)

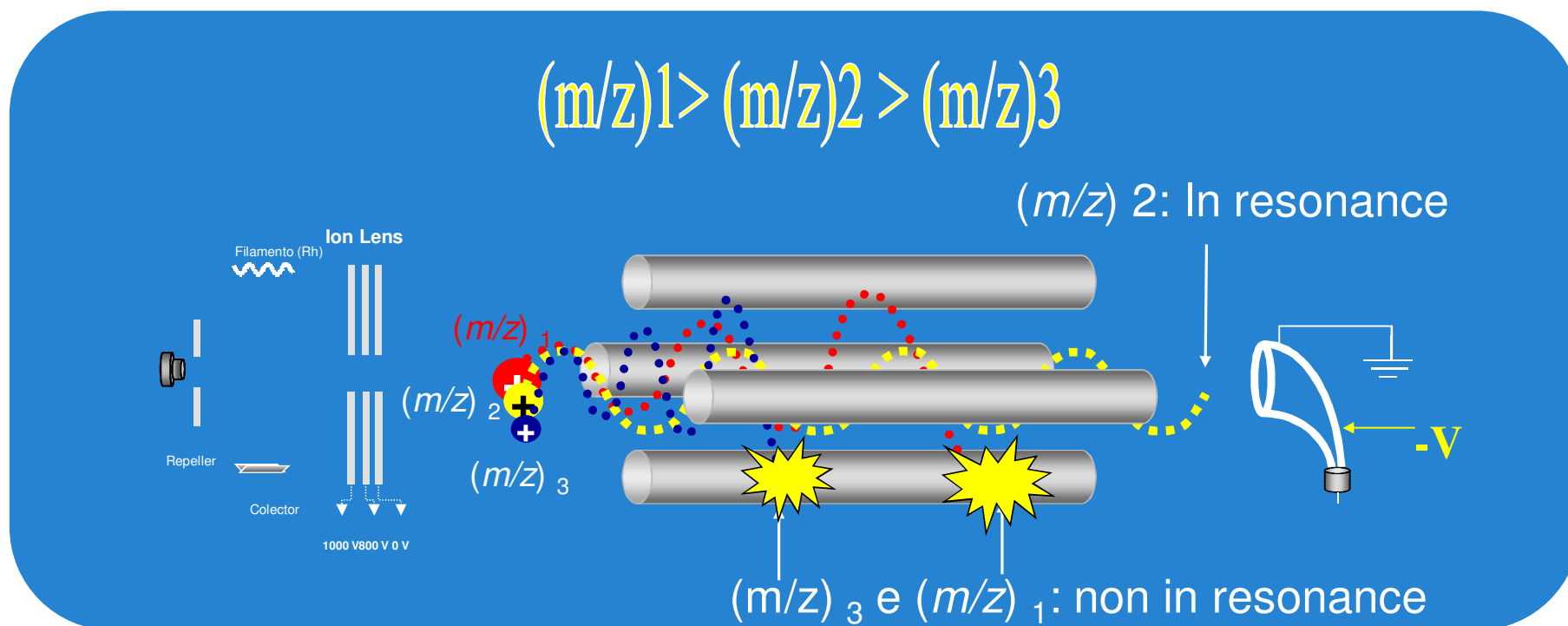
Common Mass Analyzers

- **Quadrupole** - consists of two sets of opposing rods. This mass analyzer uses a combination of RF and DC modulation to sort ions. This analyzer provides nominal mass resolution
- **Ion Trap** - operates on a principle as the quadrupole; however ions can be stored for subsequent analysis. The ions are sorted by changing the electric field inside of the trap by manipulating the RF field and sequentially ejecting the ions from low to high mass to charge.
- **Triple Stage Quadrupole** – combines the advantages of the Quadrupole with those of the Ion Trap. Ions are filtered like in the quadrupole as well as dissociated like in the Ion trap. Selectivity and resolution are the key words here.
- **Time of Flight (TOF)** - Ionized compounds/fragments from the source are directed into a flight tube. Ions are separated by virtue of their different flight times over a known distance
- **Magnetic Sector** - Uses a combination of magnetic and electrical fields to sort ions. The ions are focused and resolved by passing through an electric field then a magnetic field
- **Orbitrap, ICFTMS**, etc.

Single Quad GC-MS



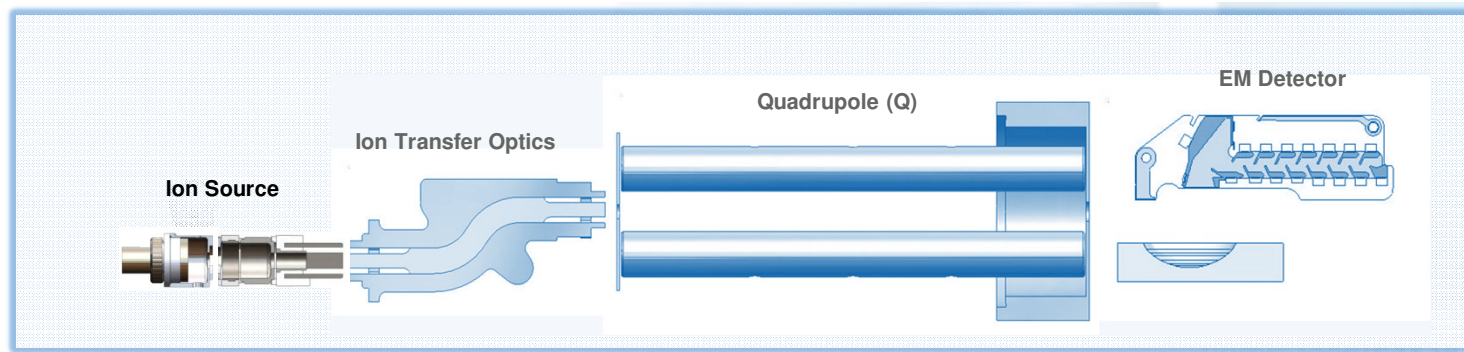
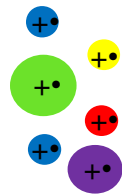
Quadrupole mass spectrometer



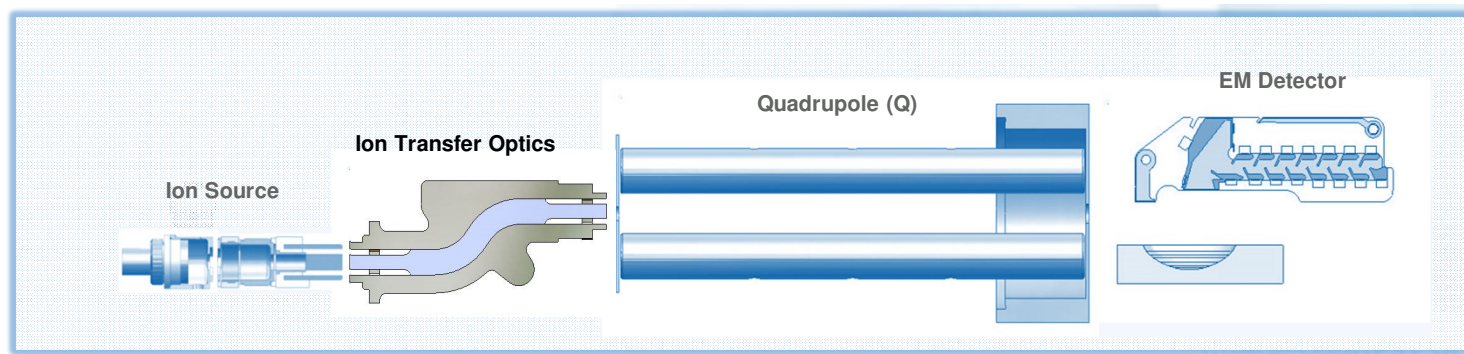
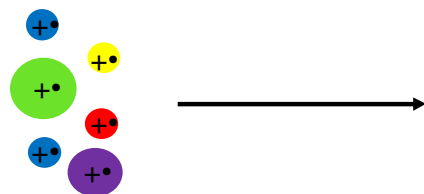
Trajectory of m/z ion is a function of DC & RF voltages

Data mode:
1. Scan
2. SIM

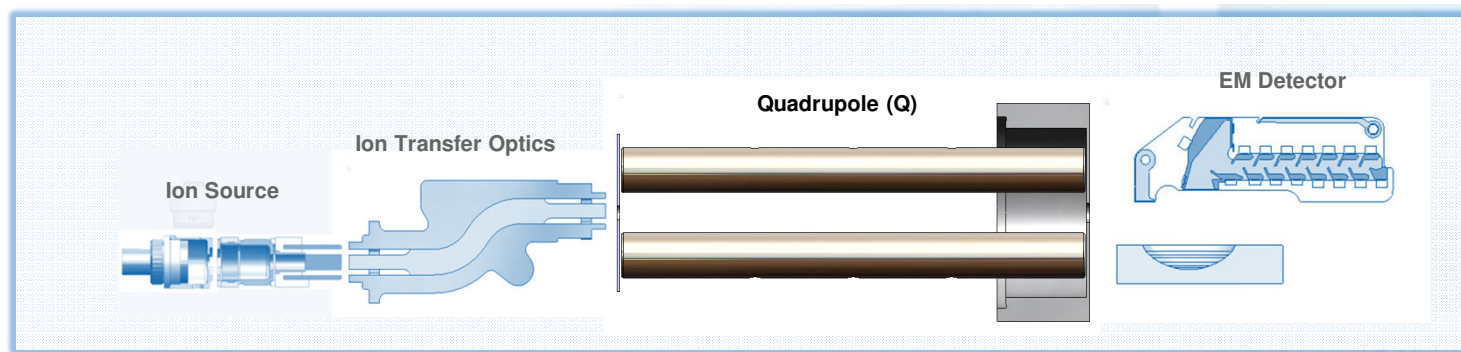
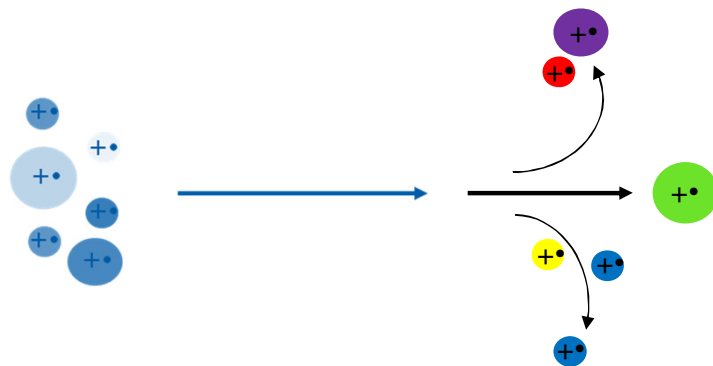
Single Quad GC-MS: Ionization



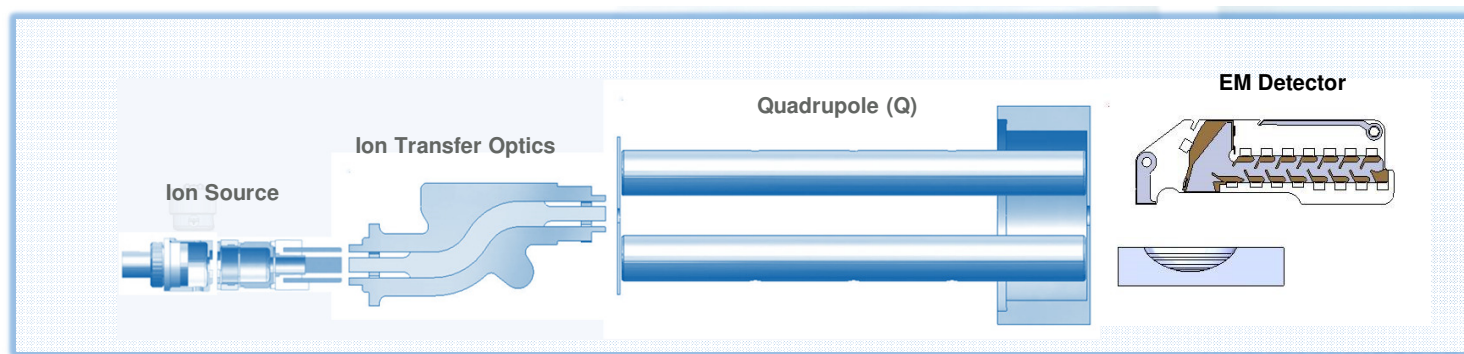
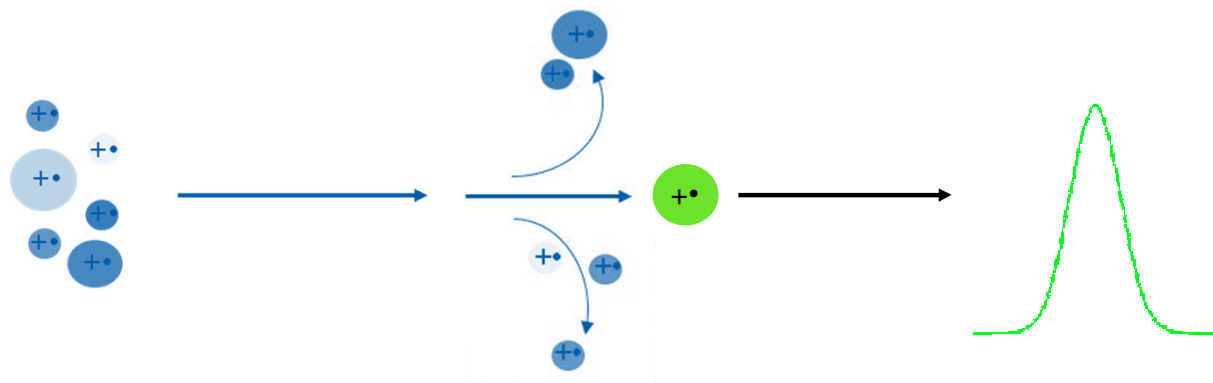
Single Quad GC-MS: Transfer of Ions to Quadrupole



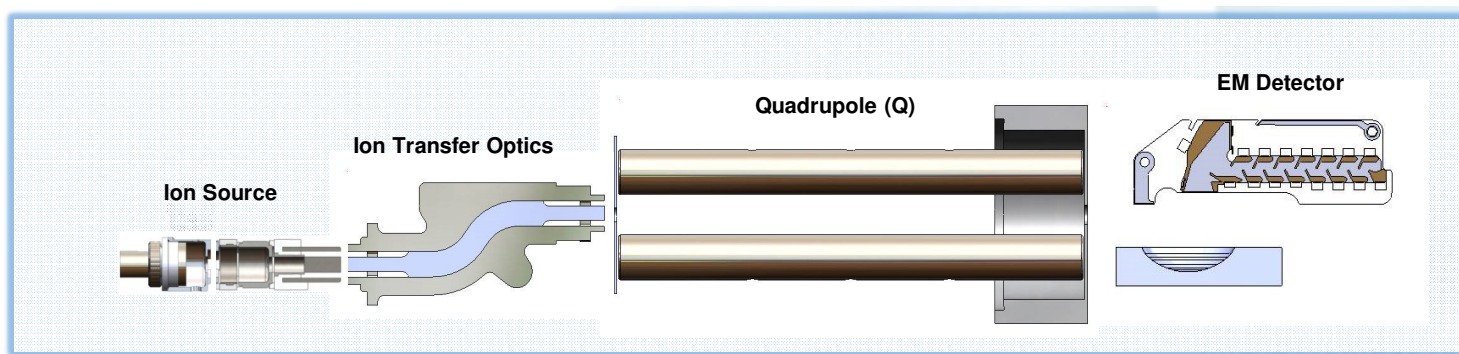
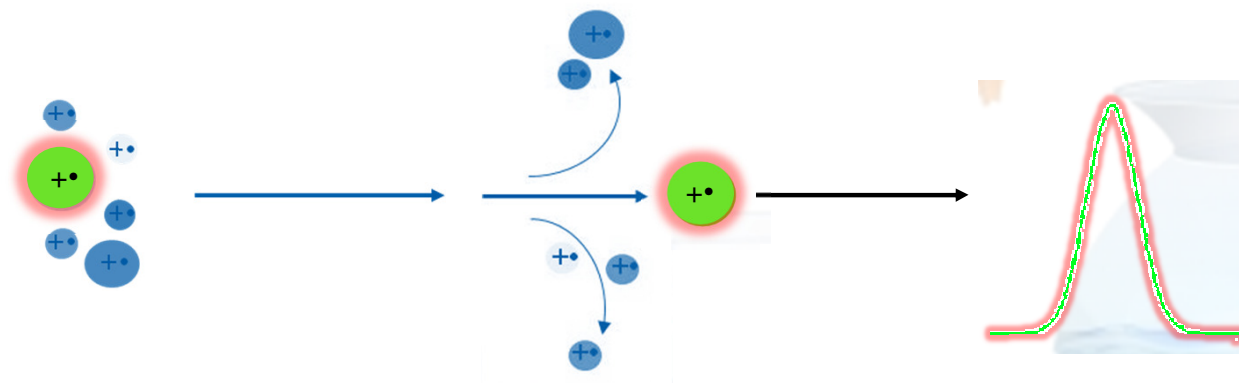
Single Quad GC-MS: Mass (m/z) Filtration



Single Quad GC-MS: Detection of Transmitted m/z

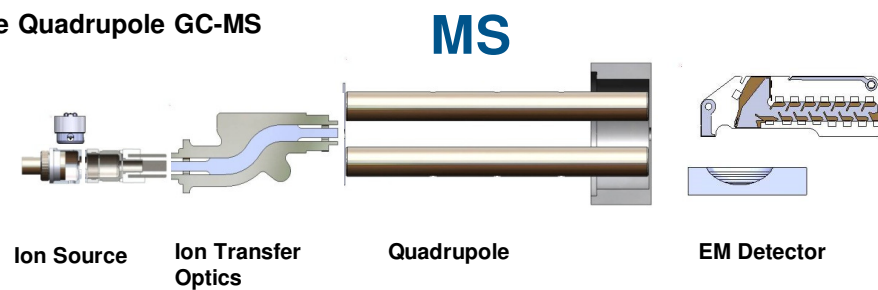


Single Quad GC-MS: **Selected Ion Monitoring (SIM)**

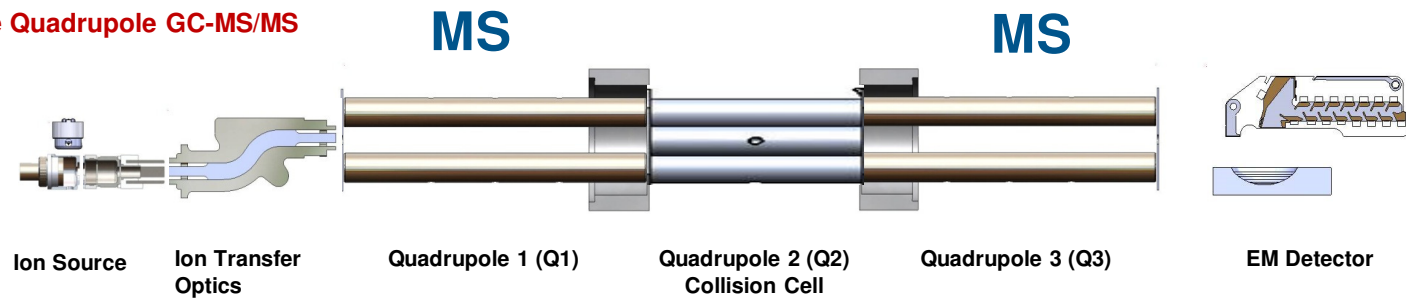


What is Triple Quadrupole GC-MS/MS?

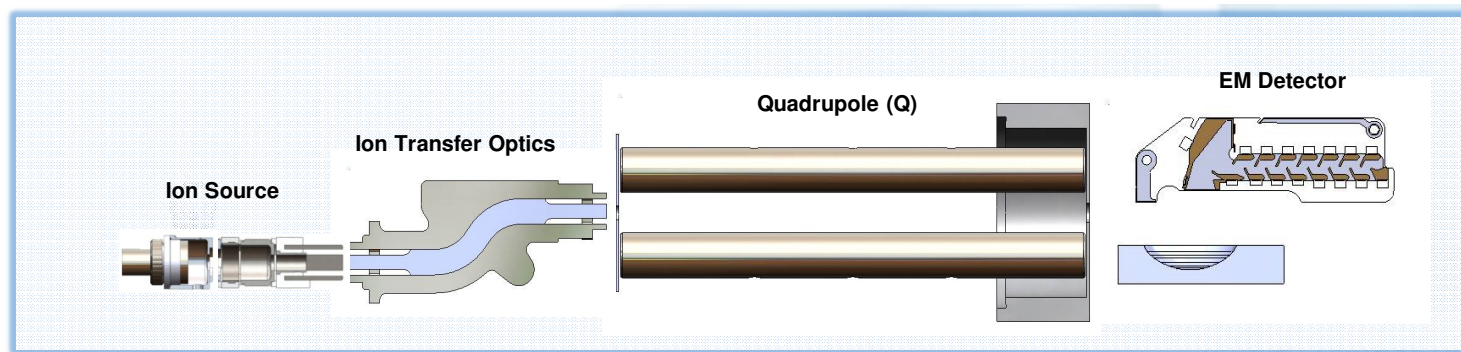
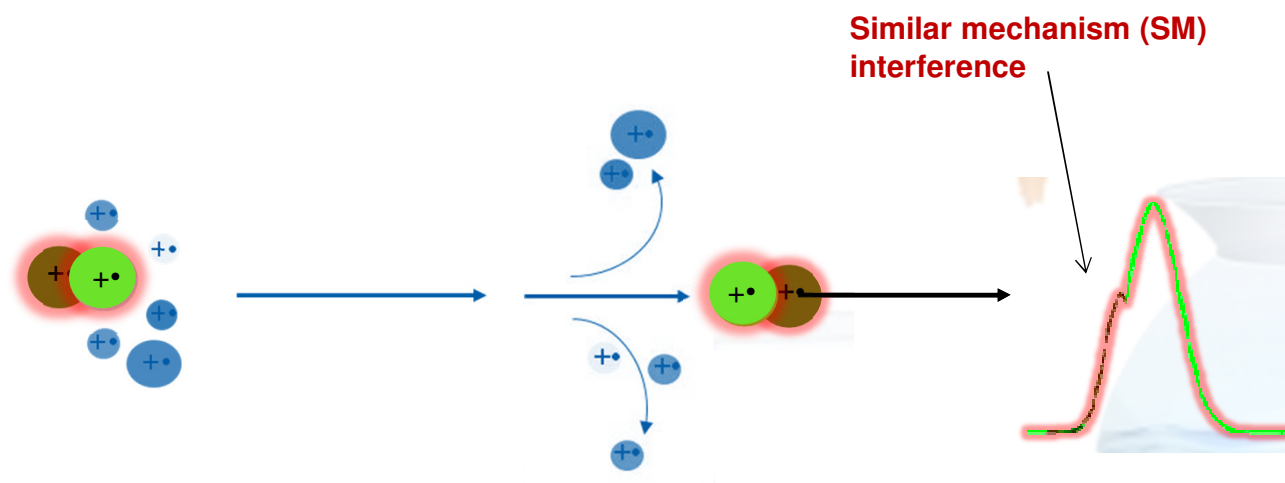
Single Quadrupole GC-MS



Triple Quadrupole GC-MS/MS



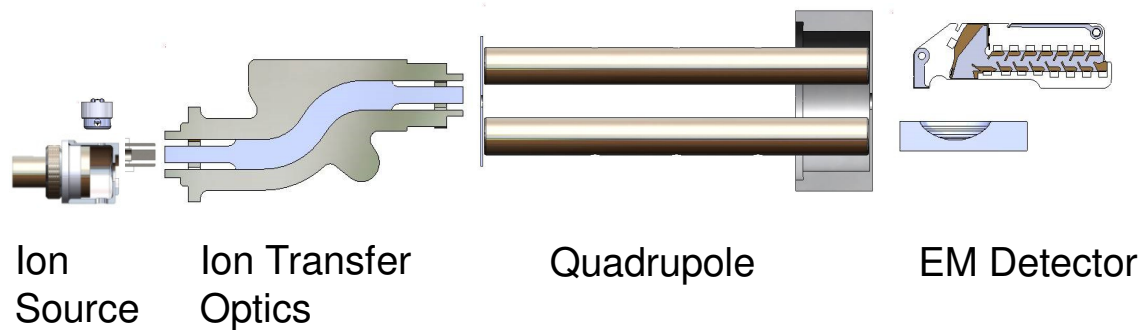
Single Quadrupole “Real Life” SIM in Complex Matrix



Why Triple Quadrupole GC-MS/MS?

Single Quadrupole GC-MS

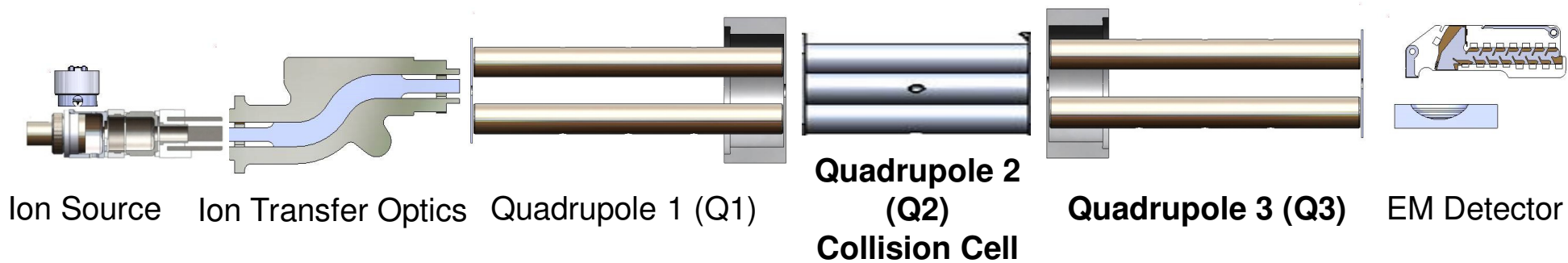
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Triple Quadrupole GC-MS/MS

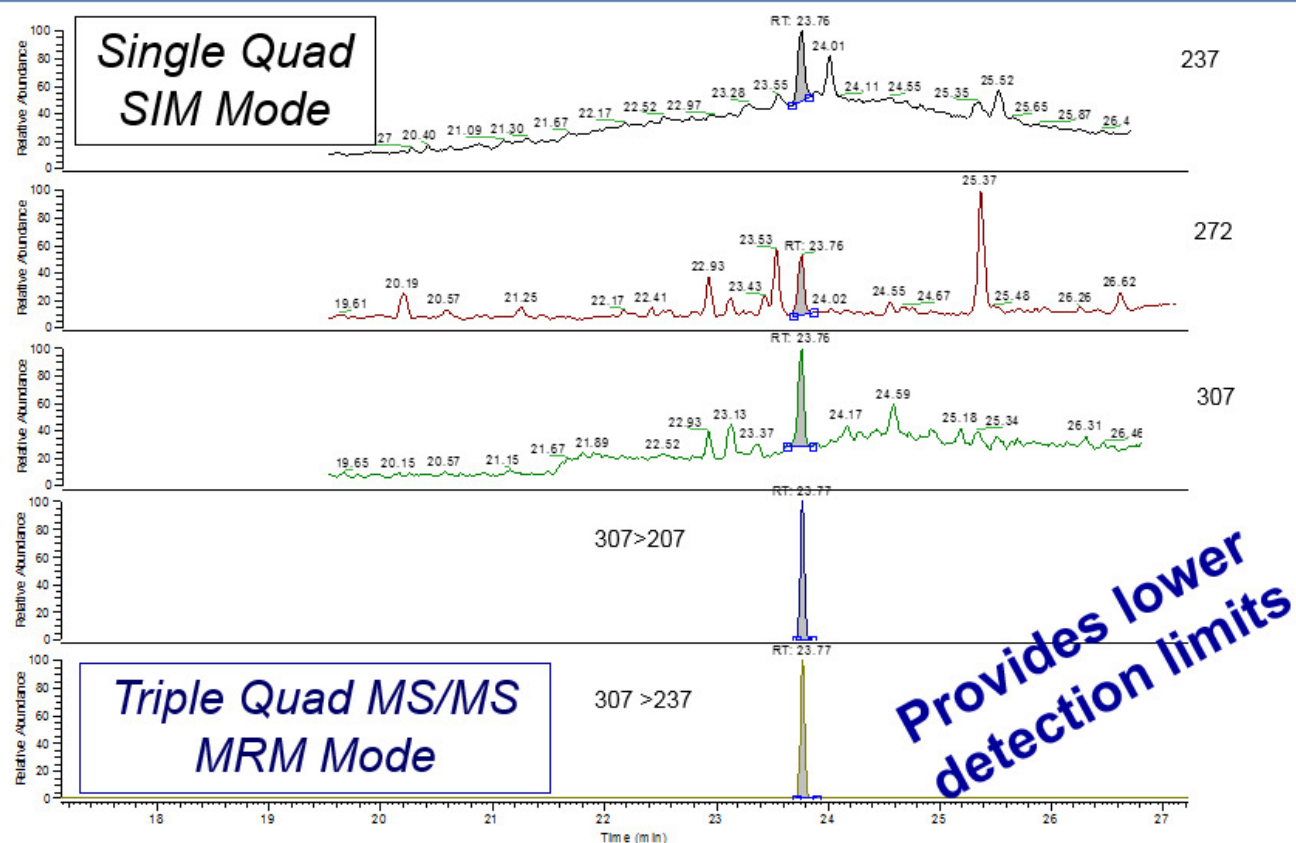
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MS



Why GCMS/MS-triple quadrupole ??

Quinoxifen in Hops using SIM and MS/MS



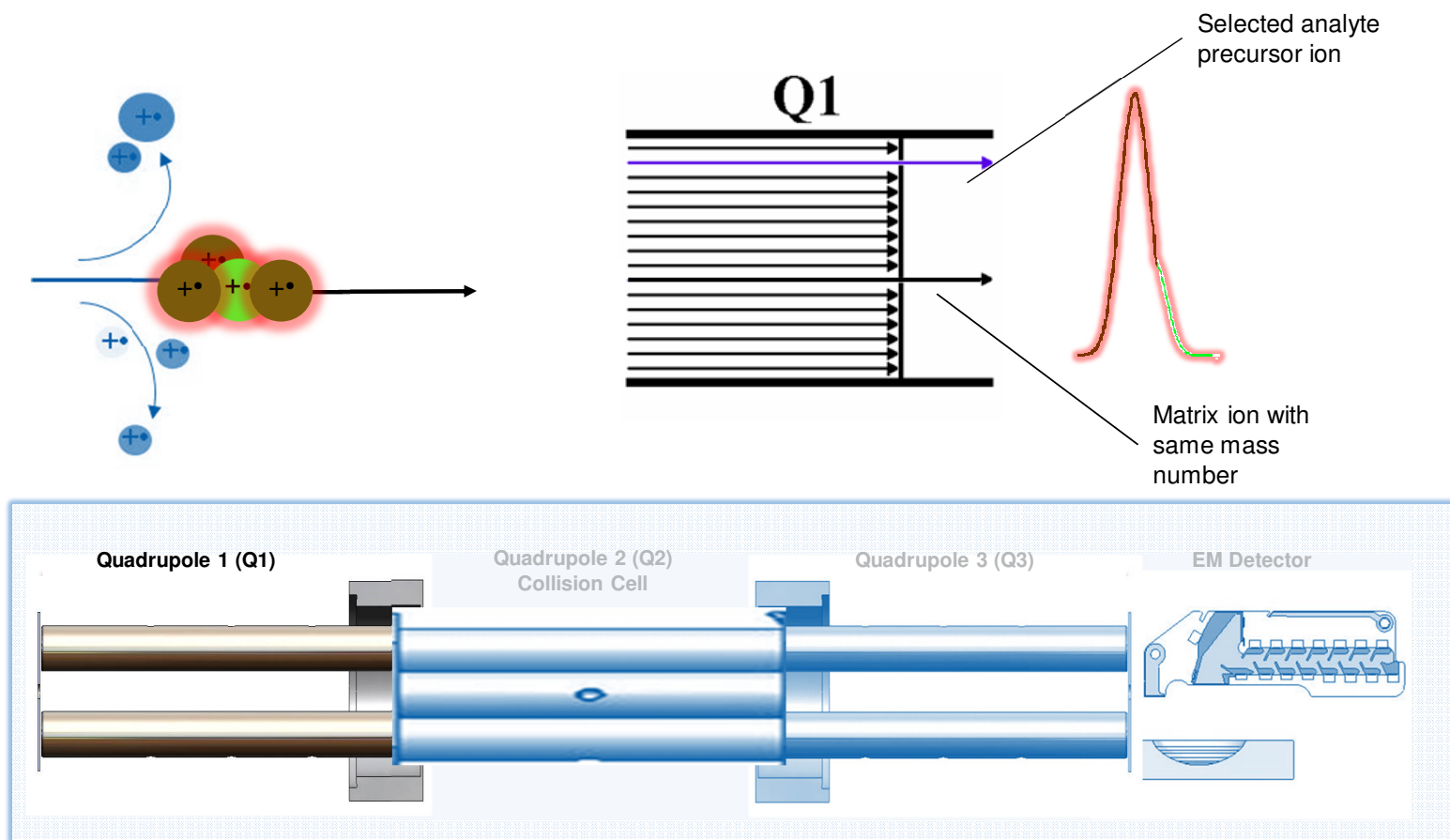
Here we see the MRM transitions of 307 to 207 and 237, respectively.

These multiple SRM transitions have eliminated the matrix interference allowing the software to easily locate the peaks, saving the operator a significant amount of time.

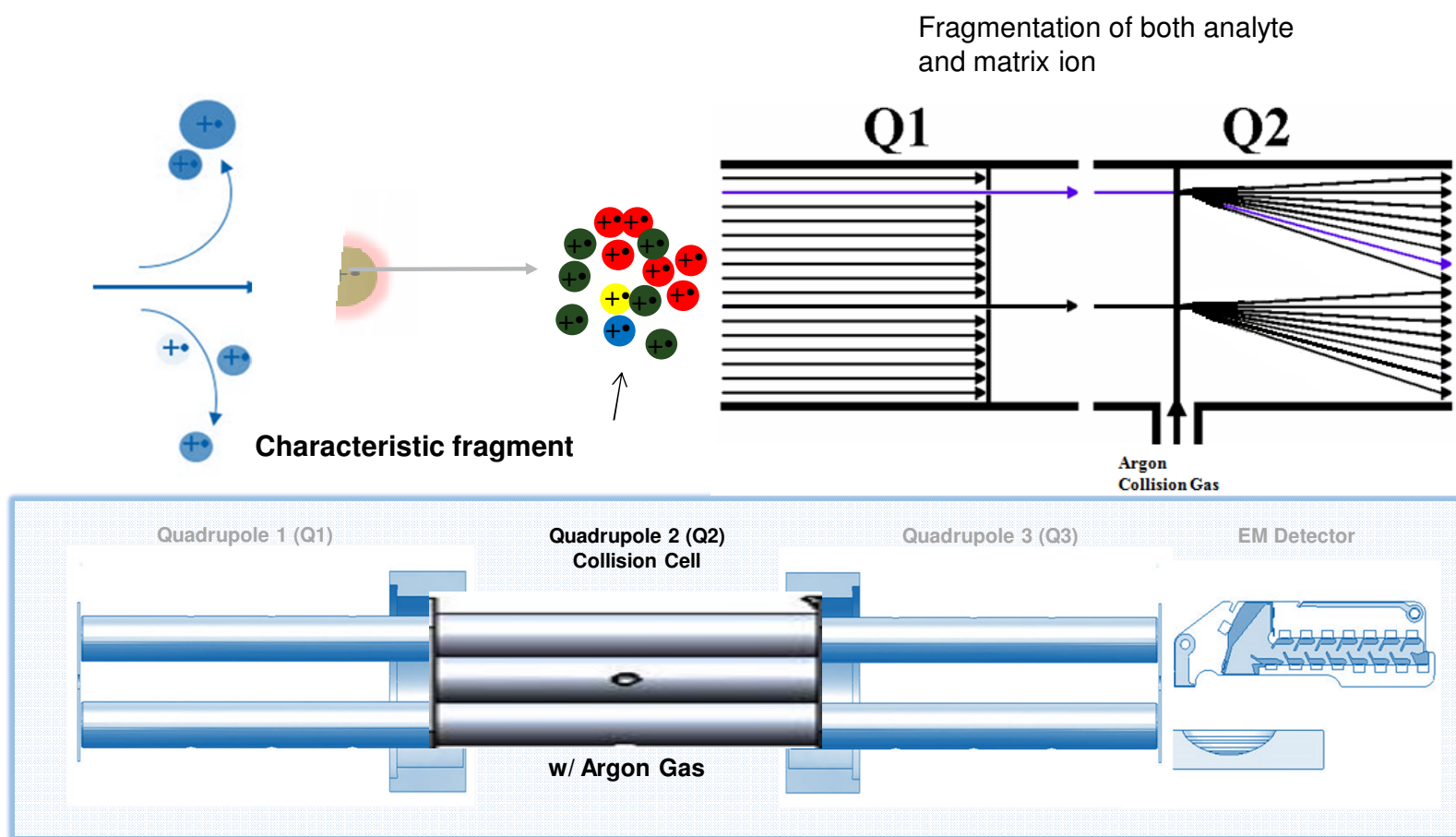
The peak height relative to the noise allows for even greater sensitivity for the method

This type of instrument will be able to keep up with the ever decreasing detection limits in an ever increasing number of matrices.

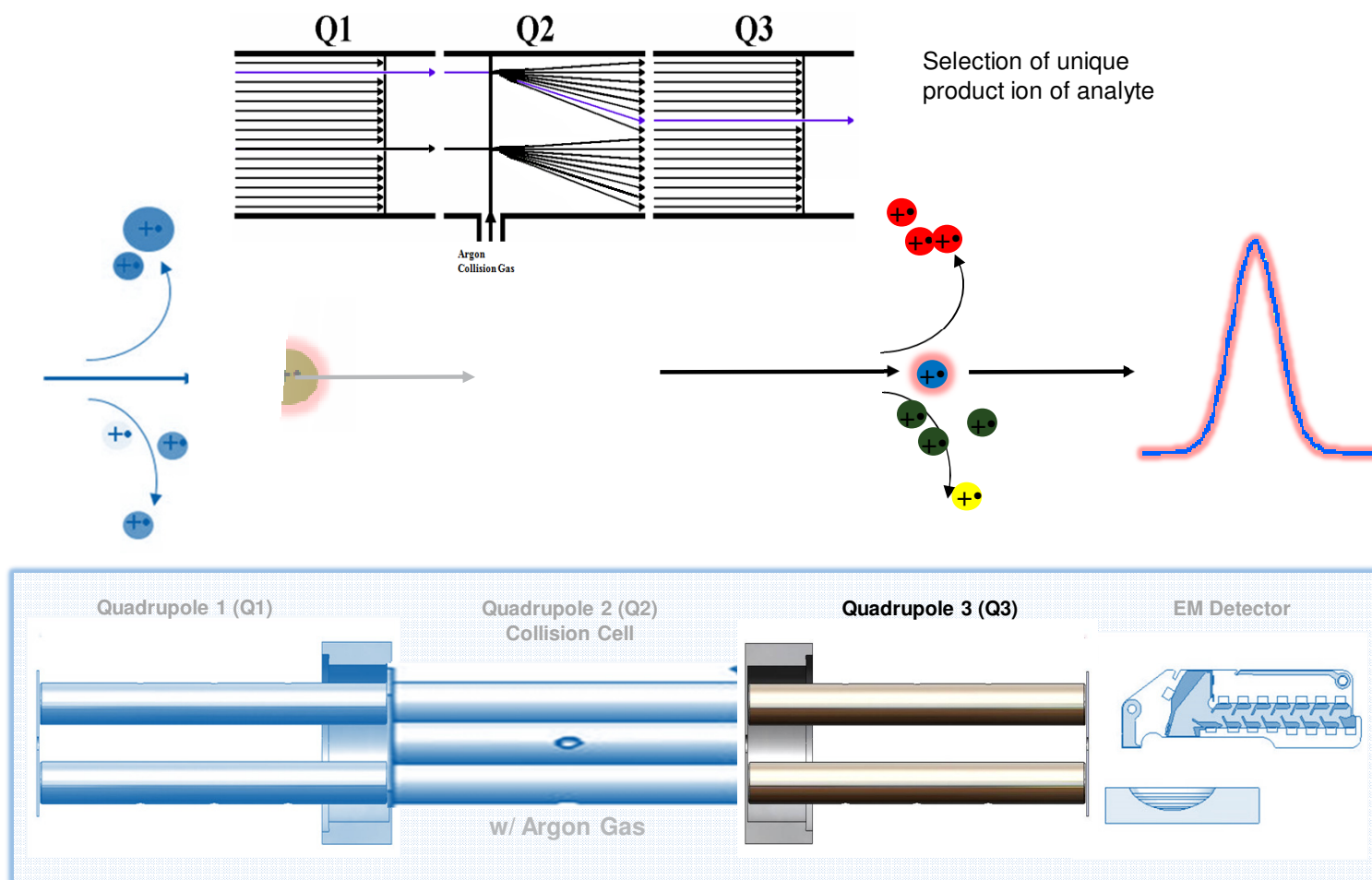
Triple Quadrupole GC-MS: Q1 Precursor Ion Selection



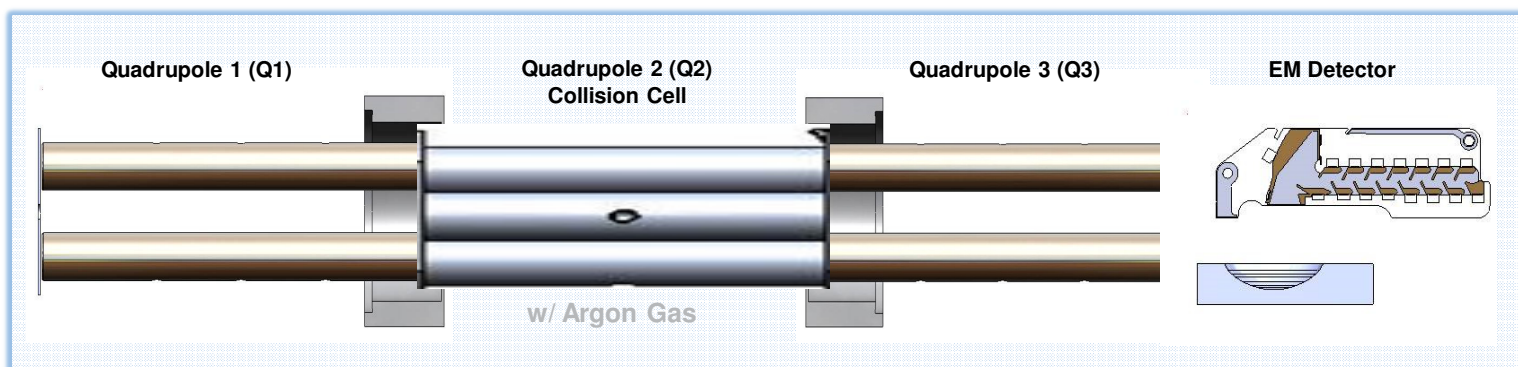
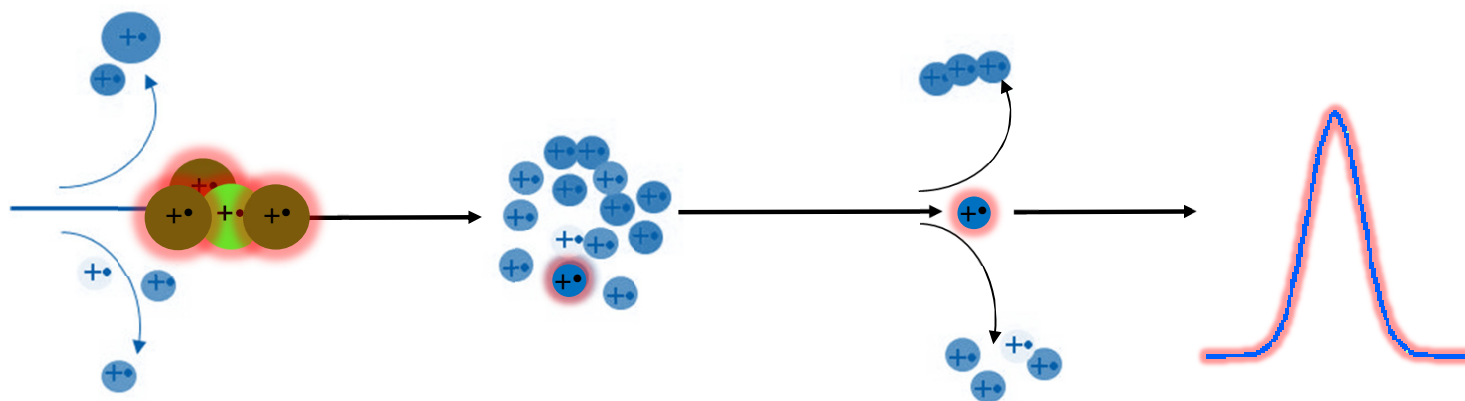
Triple Quadrupole: Q2 Collision-Induced Dissociation (CID)



Triple Quadrupole GC-MS: Q3 Product Ion Selection



Triple Quadrupole GC-MS: Selected Reaction Monitoring (SRM)



New ISQ 7000 and TSQ 9000



**ISQ 7000
GC-MS**

Unstoppable robustness and productivity

The ISQ 7000 offers innovative design capabilities for increased productivity and robustness, with enhanced customer experience and unmatched sensitivity for the most challenging applications.



**TSQ 9000
GC-MS/MS**

Unstoppable routine analysis

The TSQ 9000 is designed to revolutionize laboratory productivity by delivering unprecedented levels of performance and uptime to facilitate the reduction of cost-per-sample in the high-throughput environment.

Surpass competition in the GCMS market with leading performance and scalability

ISQ & TSQ New Capabilities

NeverVent™ Technology

Unique **vent-free column replacement** and vacuum interlock, to maximize uptime

Advanced EI Source

Boosted sensitivity and robustness for **unmatched performances**

SmartTune

Intelligent tune wizard for **best customer experience** with consistent results and ease of use

Scalability

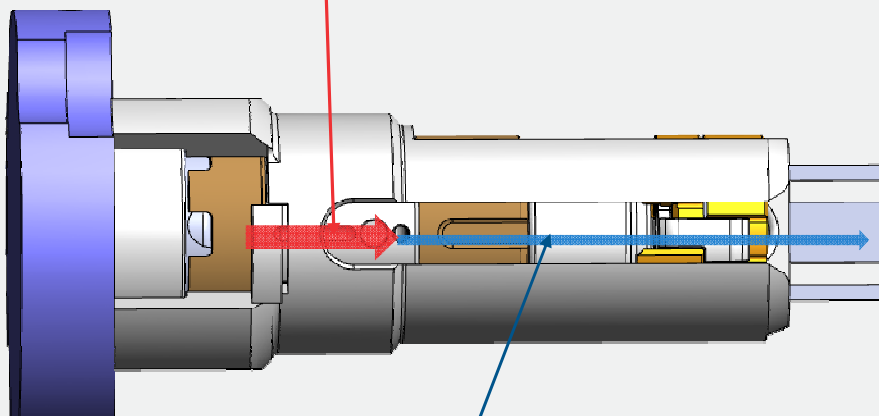
Versatile **upgrading path** throughout all configurations for safe and future-proof

Offer a robust, reliable and easy to use GC-MS and GC-MS/MS instruments with market leading sensitivity

AEI vs. ExtractaBrite Comparison

AEI

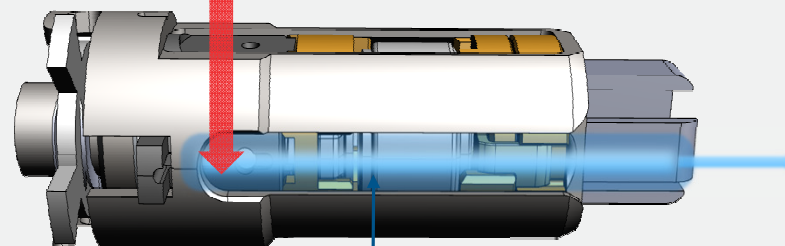
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Ultra-focused ion beam for improved
robustness & sensitivity

ExtractaBrite

electron
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Focused ion beam

Unstoppable Uptime

What is NeverVent™

- Combination of **VPI** and newly introduced source plug, **V-Lock**
- No longer need to vent mass spec system to change a column
- Reduce downtime and maximize sample analysis
- **Time is money** for our customers and **NeverVent** gives them more instrument uptime!

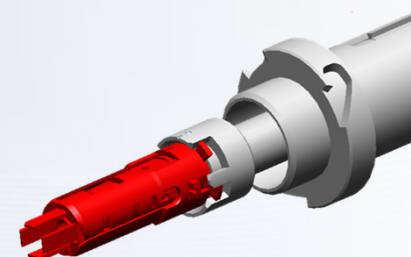
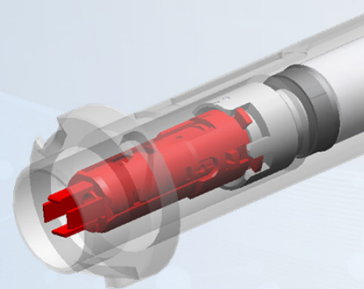
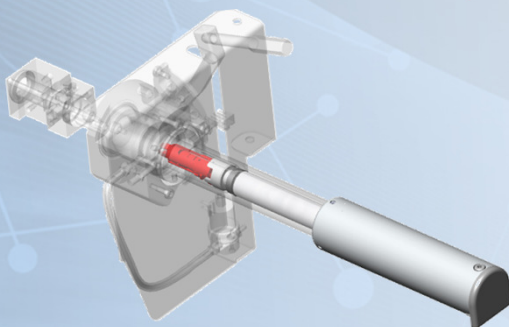
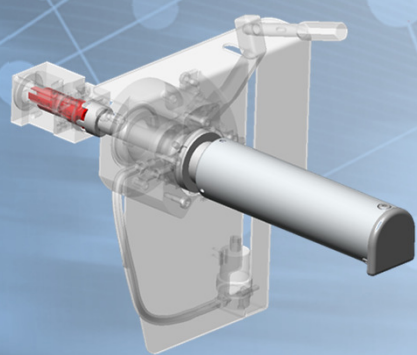
Unstoppable Uptime

What is NeverVent technology?



Extends the capability of the vacuum probe interlock (VPI) design with the new source plug, **V-Lock**

Through the VPI, no need to vent mass spec system for extracting the wireless ExtractaBrite ion source



Step 1. Insert removal tool into the source plug. Step 2. Remove source plug. Step 3. Source is held in place. Step 4. Push source out.

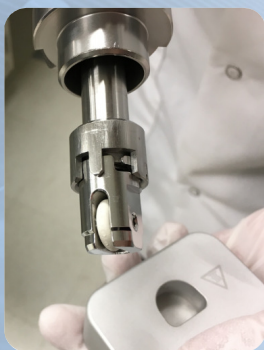
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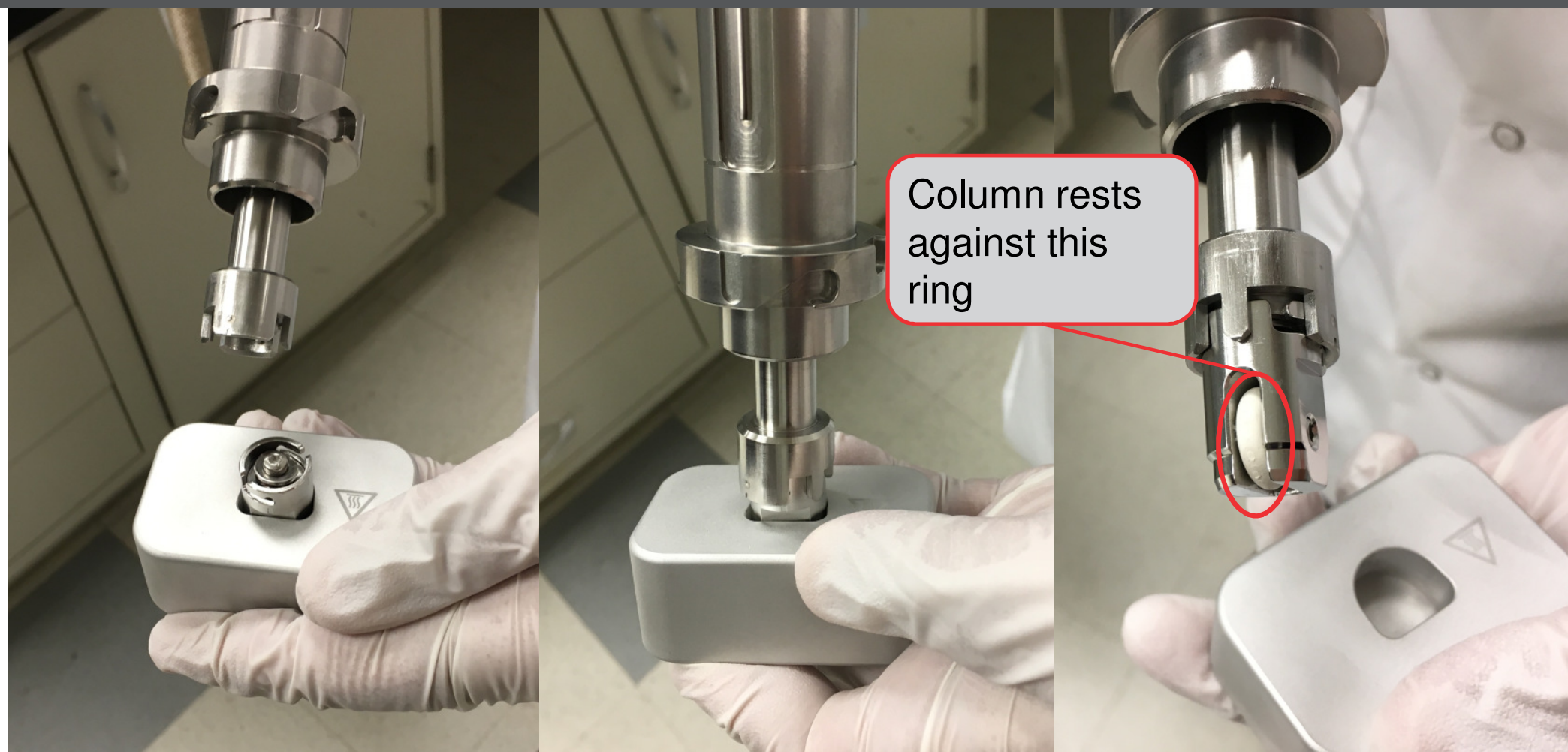
Extends the capability of the Vacuum Probe Interlock **(VPI)** design with the new source plug, **V-Lock**

V-Lock
Isolate the MS
under vacuum
from the GC
No complicated
fluidics or extra
connections



Through the VPI and the V-Lock source plug, no
need to vent mass spec system to change the
column

How to use the V-Lock Source Plug



Time savings using [NeverVent](#) Technology

Ion Source Maintenance



**4
hours**

98%
Time
Saving

**20
min.**

Standard GCMS

NeverVent

Column Replacement (including conditioning)



**4.5
hours**

87%
Time
Saving

**35
min.**

Standard GCMS

NeverVent

- NeverVent reduces downtime and maximize sample analysis
- Increases the lab efficiency by saving the time
- Your time can be spent on producing quality results

Direct Sample Probe: Ideal for materials difficult to elute chromatographically

- Designed to eliminate sample preparation time
- Compatible with all modes of ionization and mass analysis
- Used with the vacuum probe interlock (VPI)
- **Direct Insertion Probe (DIP)** Solid samples or trace components in solid matrices such as forensic samples, tissue, etc.
- **Direct Exposure Probe (DEP)** liquids or solids dissolved in solvent.



Removing complexity from routine result production

MS/MS simplicity from start to finish

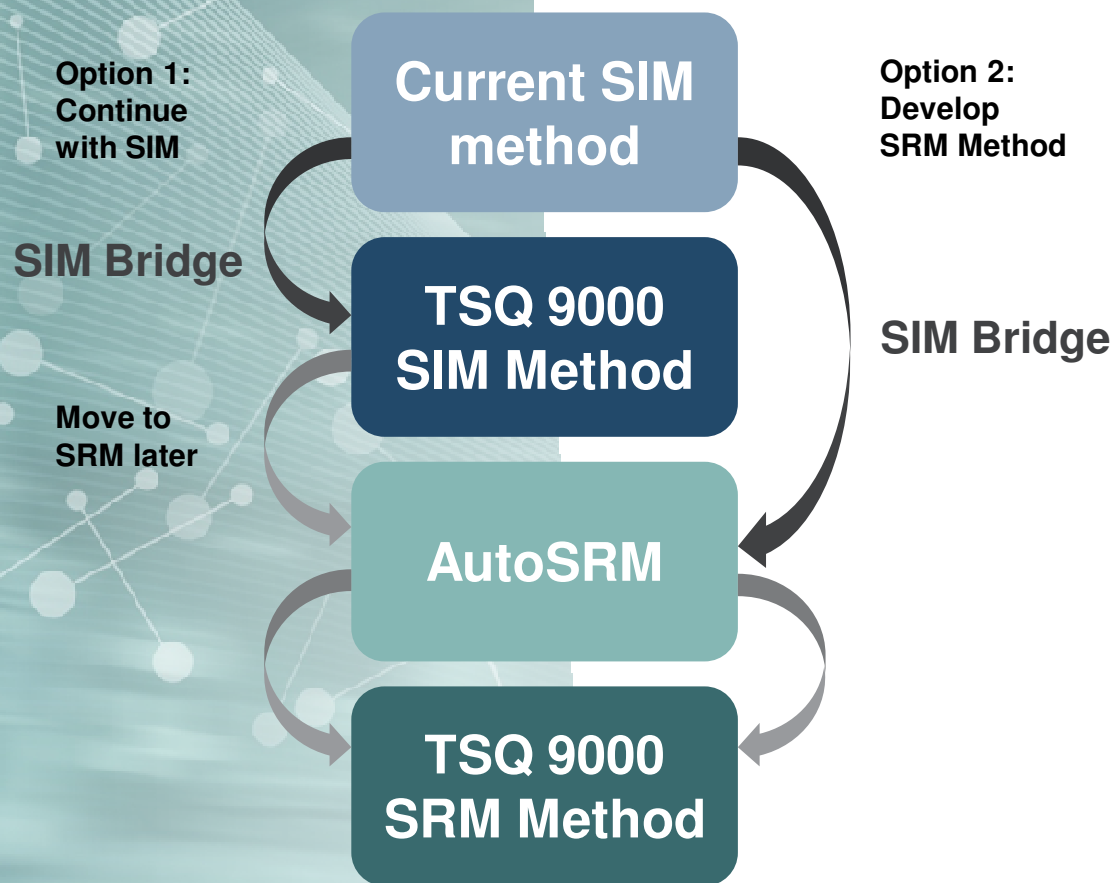
- Full suite of easy-to-use tools
- Move from other technology or provider
- Method development and management
- Day-to-day system operation

Thermo Scientific™ Chromeleon™ Chromatography Data System (CDS) software

- Intelligent Functionality – it does everything you need!
- Operational Simplicity™ – everything is fast and easy!
- Future-proofed, scalable and flexible architecture
- Multi-technique (GC, LC, IC, MS) and multi-vendor platform



Method Development - From single quadrupole to triple quadrupole

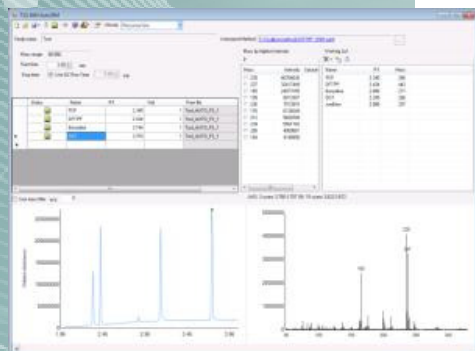


SIM Bridge

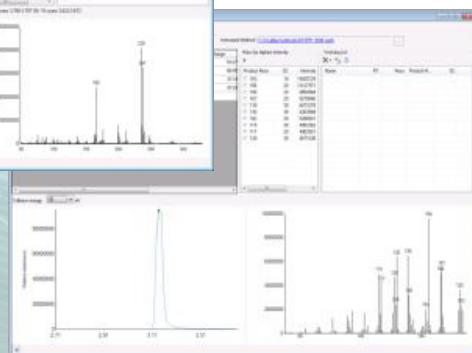
- Simple tool to migrate from single quadrupole to triple quadrupole
- SIM methods exported from other sources to be translated to the TSQ 9000 GC-MS/MS system method
- SIM methods can be immediately run on the TSQ 9000 system or through AutoSRM to translate the SIM information into a powerful SRM method

Method Development - AutoSRM

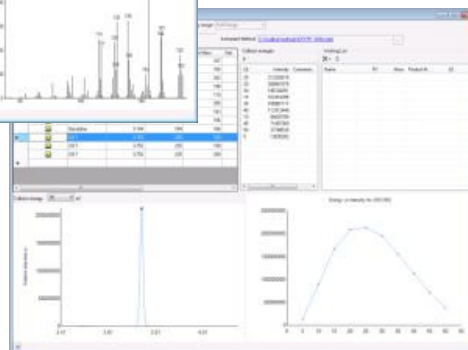
1) Precursor ion selection



2) Product ion selection



3) Collision energy optimization



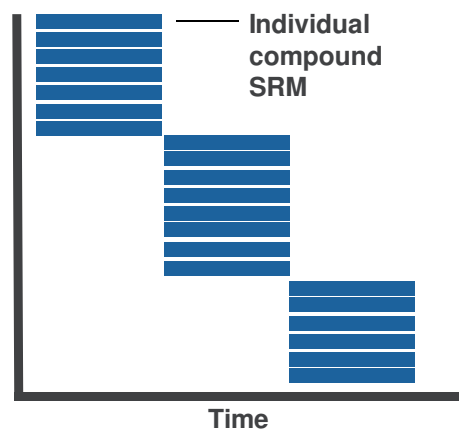
AutoSRM

- A triple quadrupole method development expert integrated into your system
- Provides full method development independence
- Fully optimized SRM transitions *for your system*, even for less experienced users
- Saves huge amount of time and effort

Method Management - Timed-SRM

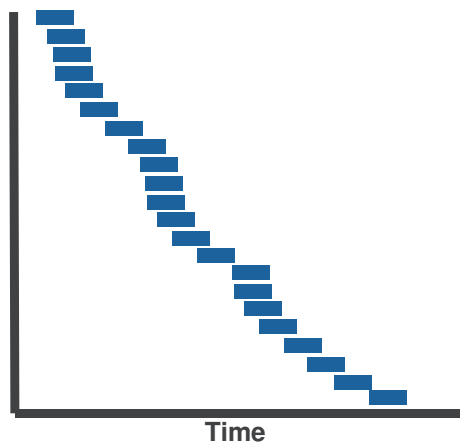
Timed-SRM

- Reduces complexity in high capacity methods
- Automatically optimizes target compounds for maximum sensitivity
- Simply enter RT for compounds and windows automatically set
- Easy method updates with new GC column or GC column trimming



Segmented SRM (classic approach)

- Inefficient monitoring of SRM transitions
- Complicated to set time windows
- Susceptible to matrix RT shift



Timed SRM

- Optimized monitoring of SRM transitions
- Automated window definition
- Resistant to matrix RT shift

What Thermo Scientific solutions are there?

Thermo Scientific™ Q Exactive™ and Exactive™ GC Orbitrap systems

- < 6fg OFN instrument detection limit
- Resolving power of up to 100,000 (FWHM) at m/z 272
- Routine sub ppm mass accuracy
- Dynamic range $>10^6$



Low level quantification of PBDEs in environmental matrices by Orbitrap GC-MS - 2018

Thermo Scientific™ DFS HRMS

Resolution $> 60,000$

20 fg TCDD with S/N $> 200:1$

Designed for quick installation, low power consumption, small footprint, and high sample throughput



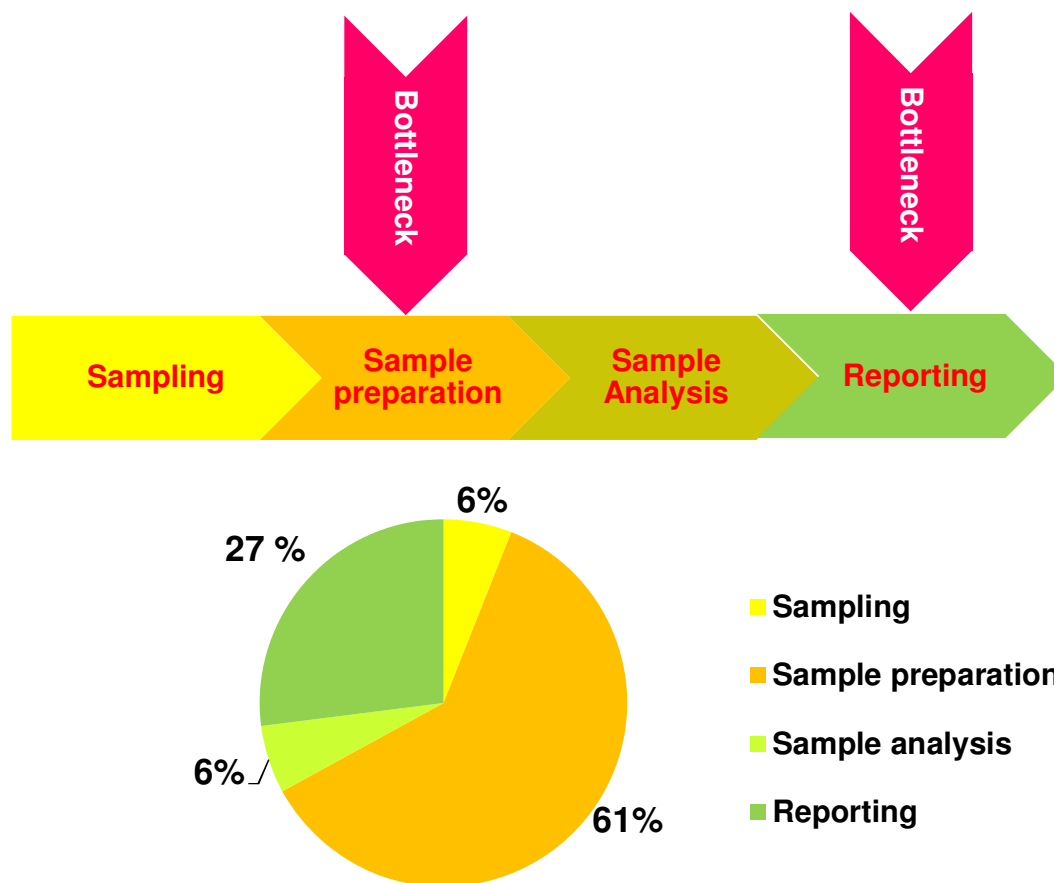
Gold Standard in Dioxin and Furan analysis in Food & Environmental samples.



Sample Preparation

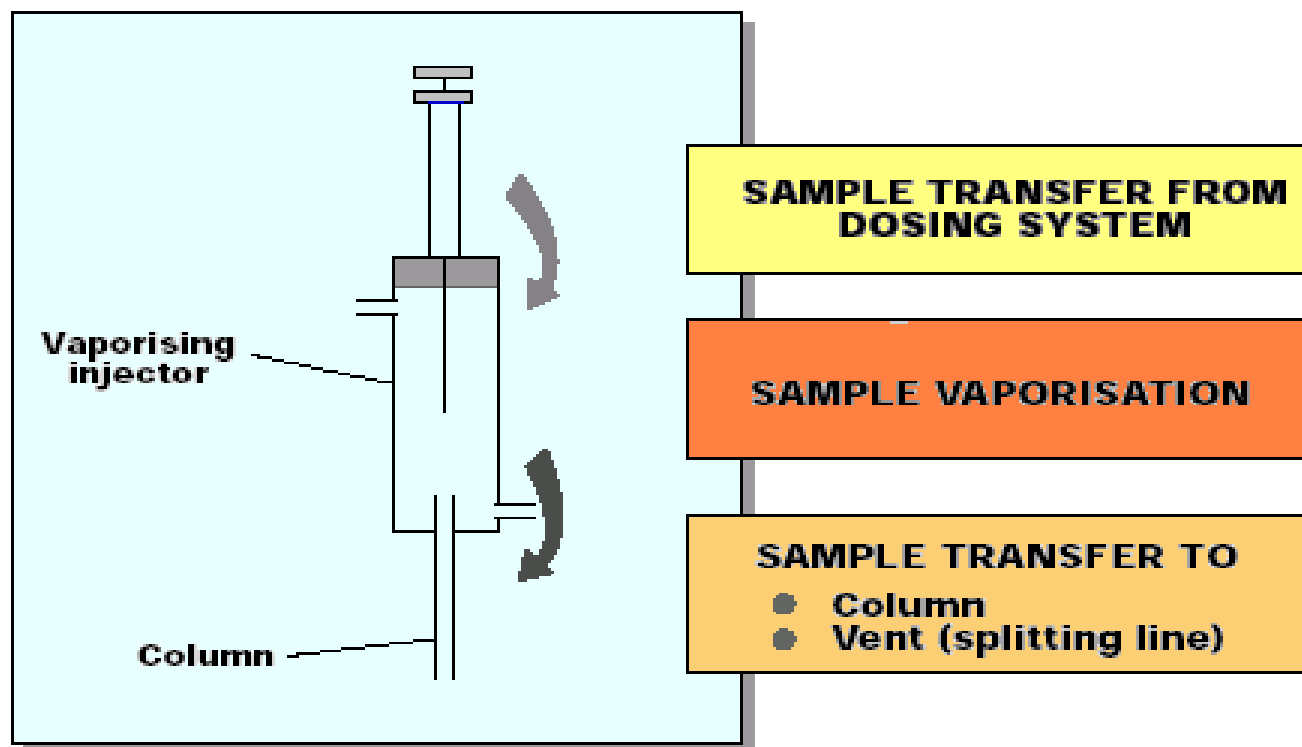
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Workflow for analysis of multi-residues analysis



Sample Introduction in GC

Gas, Liquid and Solid dissolved in liquid



Laboratory Challenges

Many different matrices

Large sample load

Extraction time and resources

Laboratory

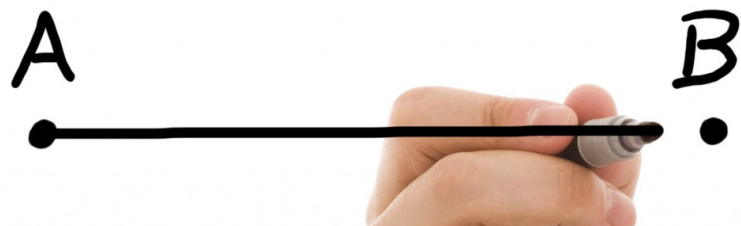
Challenging compounds

No time to develop new methods

Lower detection limit requirements

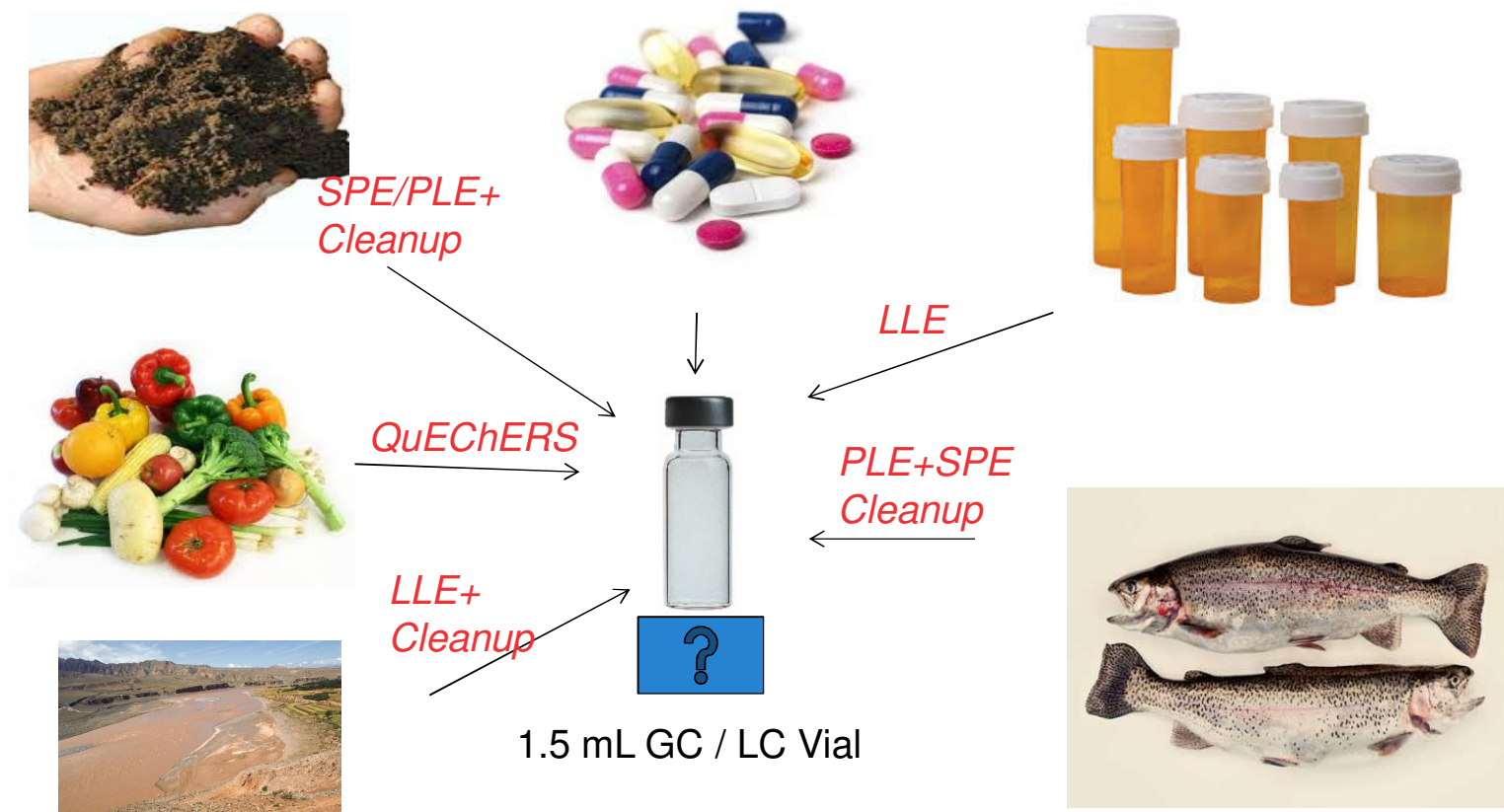
Instrument maintenance

Sample Preparation



- **Extraction**
 - Removes analytes from the sample
- **Purification / Fractionation**
 - Eliminates compounds that interfere with the analysis (Cleanup)
- **Concentration**
 - Concentrates extracted analytes for analysis to maximize sensitivity

The Challenge for Analysis



How do we get analytes out of these samples?

AutoTrace 280: For Liquid Samples

- **Reduced sample extraction cost**
 - Solvent consumption (up to 90% less than LLE)
 - Labor cost (15 min operator intervention)
- **Improved productivity**
 - 6 samples loaded onto cartridges in 15 min
- **Improved analytical precision**
 - Automated sample loading and elution
 - Positive pressure displacement



6 mL Cartridge System

Accelerated Extraction



Dionex ASE Extractor

- High-end system
- Unattended extraction of up to 24 samples
- Mixing or selection of three different solvents for complex extractions
- Control by Thermo Scientific™ Dionex™ Chromeleon™ CDS Software (optional)

QuEChERS extraction for pesticides in food

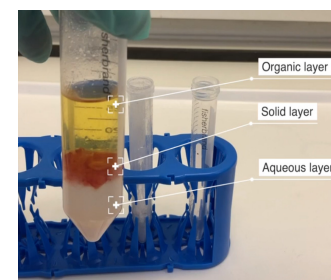
The QuEChERS method is a two-step process: extraction followed by clean-up

1 – Weigh 10 g of Sample (50 mL Teflon tube)

2 – Add 10 mL of Acetonitrile (shake vigorously 1 min)

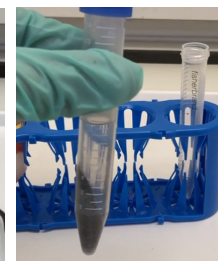
3 – Add 4 g of MgSO_4 and 1 g NaCl (shake vigorously 1 min)

4 – Add Internal Standard (shake 30 s and centrifuge)



5 – Take aliquote and Add MgSO_4 and d-SPE sorbent (shake 30 s and centrifuge)

6 – Take aliquote and Analyze (typically GC-MS or LC-MS)



Automated Sample Introduction Technique

Automated Sample Introduction Technique

- Head-space (liquids or solids)
- Purge and trap (water)
- SPME (vapours, liquids or solids)
- Pyrolizer (solids)
- μ - SPE (Automated QuEChERS Clean up)
- Air Sampling Thermal desorption (solids)

Sample Introduction Technique

- Soxhlete Extraction
- PLE/ ASE- Dionex ASE 350 & FMS PLE
- SPE- AutoTrace/ FMS



Applications

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Multiresidue pesticide analysis by GCMSMS

Analysis of Multi-Residue Pesticides in Ayurvedic Churna

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Multi-Residue Pesticide Analysis in Herbal Juices using GC-MS/MS

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Analysis of Multiresidue Pesticides in Cardamom by GC-MS/MS

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Keywords: Traditional herbal medicine, fast liquid chromatography, QuEChERS, timed-SRM, retention time synchronization, ratio confirmation, TraceFinder data processing

Introduction

Ayurveda is a Sanskrit term, made up of "ayus" and "veda," meaning life and knowledge, translating to 'science of life'. A blend of herbs and spices make up the powdered form "churna". Depending on its intended use, beauty, or culinary purpose, the recipe "churna" is a traditional Ayurvedic preparation widely and almost daily to control various ailments.

Keywords

Pesticides, QuEChERS, Aloe Vera, Amla, selectivity in method validation

Introduction

Aloe vera (*Aloe barbadensis* Mill.) is a plant species used in herbal medicine since the beginning of the first century A.D. *Aloe vera* are widely used in the cosmetic and medicine industries, having rejuvenating and soothing properties^[1].

Indian gooseberry (*Amla*, *Phyllanthus emblica*) demonstrates in vitro antiviral, anti-inflammatory, and antioxidant properties.

Keywords

Cardamom, pesticides, Fast GC-MS, timed-SRM

Introduction

Cardamom is a seed pod, known since centuries for its culinary and medicinal properties. The spice is native to the evergreen rain forest of southern India and grown in only a few tropical countries. Botanically, it belongs to the family of "*Zingiberaceae*" and consists of two genera; *Elettaria* and *Amomum*. Cardamom is used in many traditional medicines as antiseptic, local anesthetic, antioxidant in addition to health promoting and disease preventing roles. This delicate spice is commonly used as flavoring agent in foods, soups and refreshing drinks¹.

During cultivation, frequent applications of pesticides are



Multiresidue pesticide analysis by GCMSMS

thermoscientific	thermoscientific	thermoscientific	thermoscientific
 <p>Large scale screening and quantitation of pesticide residues in rice using GC-(EI)-MS/MS</p>	 <p>A quantitative determination of pesticide residues in chili powder using GC-MS/MS</p>	 <p>A selective and sensitive method for the determination of pesticide residues in wheat using GC-MS/MS</p>	 <p>Large-scale screening and quantitation of pesticide residues in milk using GC-(EI)-MS/MS</p> <p>APPLICATION NOTE 73039</p>
<p>Authors Subodh Kumar Budakoti, Sarvendra Pratap Singh, and Dashaarath Oulkar Customer Solution Center, Ghaziabad, Thermo Fisher Scientific, India</p> <p>Keywords TraceFinder, pesticide residues, rice, QuEChERS, GC-MS/MS, TSQ 9000, targeted screening, quantification</p> <p>Goal The objective of the experiment was to set up a complete analytical solution to enable commercial food testing laboratories to analyze 155 pesticide residues in rice using gas chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry. The optimized method was validated per SANTE validation guidelines and assessed for MRL compliance per the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) as well as the European Commission (EC).</p> <p>Introduction Rice is a staple food for billions of people in the world. Every year, billions of tons of rice are produced. However, the world is facing a growing demand for rice due to population growth. Currently, there are 268 chemicals registered under the Central Insecticide Board and Registration Committee (CIBRC), Government of India. Controlling the presence of pesticide residues in fresh rice and rice products is a major challenge for the food safety authorities.</p>	<p>Authors Sarvendra P. Singh, Subodh K. Budakoti, and Dashaarath P. Oulkar Customer Solution Center, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Ghaziabad, India</p> <p>Keywords Quantitation, pesticides, chili powder, TraceFinder, GC-MS/MS, QuEChERS, TSQ 9000, ExtractaBrite</p> <p>Goal The objective of the experiment was to set up a complete analytical solution to enable commercial food testing laboratories to analyze 148 pesticide residues in chili powder using gas chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry. The optimized method was validated per SANTE validation guidelines and assessed for MRL compliance per the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) as well as the European Commission (EC).</p> <p>Introduction Chili (Capsicum annuum Linn.), an important vegetable crop, is grown by farmers on a large scale, i.e., in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. Chili production is in competition with the vulnerable to a multitude of pests, including the chili thrips, and yellow mites. Consequently, crop quality and yield are affected. To date, the use of the Central Insecticide Board (CIB) is common. Current agriculture practices to control the insect and pest attack on chili are not effective. The frequent use of these chemicals is a food safety concern. Effective sample preparation for optimum results is necessary.</p>	<p>Authors Subodh Kumar Budakoti, Sarvendra Pratap Singh, Devika Kurup, and Dashaarath Oulkar Customer Solution Center, Ghaziabad, Thermo Fisher Scientific, India</p> <p>Keywords TraceFinder, pesticide residues, wheat, QuEChERS, GC-MS/MS, TSQ 9000, quantitation, triple quadrupole, gas chromatography</p> <p>Goal The objective of this application note is to provide a complete analytical solution for the selective and sensitive determination of 148 pesticide residues in wheat using gas chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry. The optimized method was validated per SANTE validation guidelines and assessed for MRL compliance per the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) as well as the European Commission (EC).</p> <p>Introduction Wheat is one of the most important food crops in the world. In India, wheat is the second most important food crop. 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Dioxin Analyser

EU regulations 644/2017 and 771/2017.



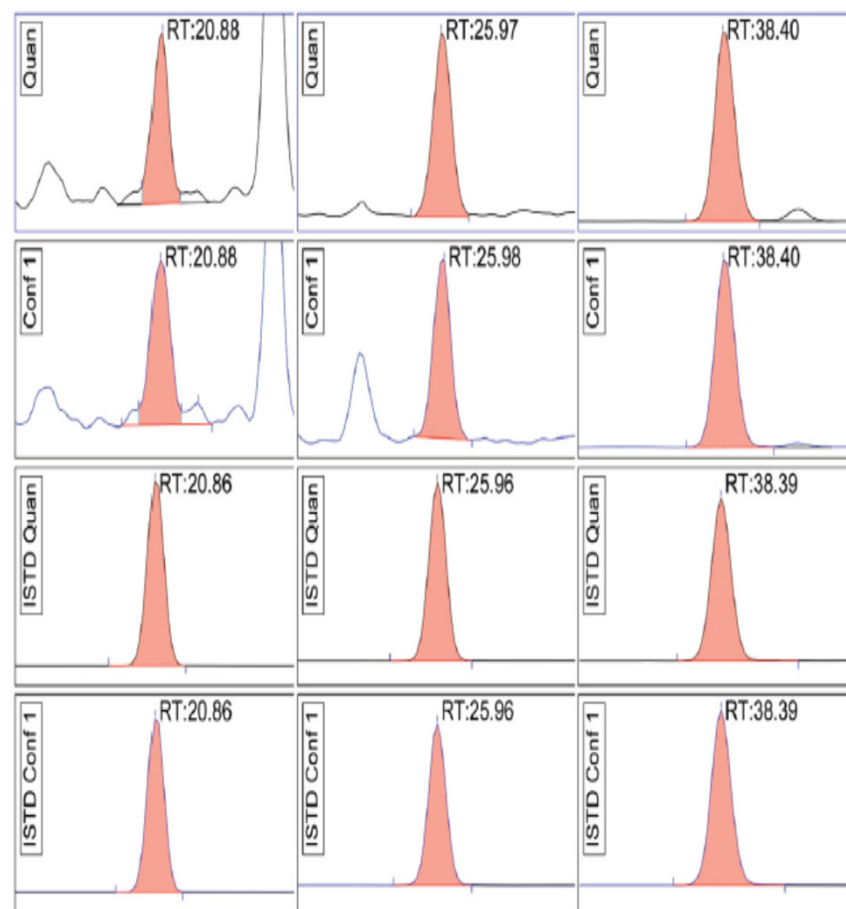
	Alfalfa	Pork Fat	Premix 1	Premix 2	Sheep
Sample intake (g)	32.13	4.57	10.17	11.1	2.55
Regulatory ML (WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/g)*	0.75	1	1	1	2.5
1/5th ML (WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/g)*	0.15	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5

* Maximum limits taken from European Directive 2002/32/EC*

** Lower limit applied

Dioxin Analyser

Peak Name	Ret.Time (min)	Number of Points	RF RSD (%)	Coeff. of Determination (R ²)	Average RF (Slope)	Range (pg)
PCB 81	16.38	14	1.49	0.9997	1.06	0.04 – 160
PCB 77	16.86	14	1.08	0.9997	1.00	0.04 – 160
PCB 123	17.40	14	2.66	0.9998	0.92	0.02 – 200
PCB 118	17.64	14	1.46	0.9999	0.96	0.1 – 1000
PCB 114	18.18	14	3.02	0.9989	1.04	0.02 – 200
PCB 105	18.96	14	5.95	0.9947	0.96	0.02 – 200
2378-TCDF	20.30	16	3.87	0.9995	0.96	0.01 – 64
2378-TCDD	20.86	16	4.72	0.9996	1.04	0.01 – 64
PCB 126	20.90	14	5.69	0.9985	0.95	0.04 – 160
PCB 167	21.52	14	1.74	0.9998	1.15	0.02 – 200
PCB 156	22.91	14	1.97	0.9998	1.14	0.02 – 200
PCB 157	23.12	14	2.41	0.9999	1.11	0.02 – 200
12378-PeCDF	24.34	16	1.66	0.9999	0.93	0.02 – 128
PCB 189	25.48	14	4.00	0.9999	1.08	0.04 – 160
23478-PeCDF	25.71	16	5.36	0.9977	1.03	0.02 – 128
12378-PeCDD	25.96	16	3.60	0.9999	1.05	0.02 – 128
PCB 189	27.28	14	1.96	0.9989	0.99	0.02 – 200
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123678-HxCDF	29.17	16	1.95	0.9998	1.00	0.02 – 128
234678-HxCDF	29.86	16	2.83	0.9993	1.02	0.02 – 128
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1234678-HpCDF	32.35	16	1.78	0.9999	1.03	0.04 – 256
1234678-HpCDD	33.78	16	5.99	0.9968	1.09	0.04 – 256
1234789-HpCDF	34.52	16	1.88	0.9998	1.04	0.04 – 256
OCDD	38.39	16	1.64	1.0000	1.12	0.16 – 256
OCDF	38.64	16	1.34	0.9997	0.94	0.16 – 256
		Max	5.99	1.0000		
		Min	1.08	0.9947		



TCDD, PeCDD & OCDD (0.03, 0.14 & 3. pg on column)

FAME Analysis

A GC-FID Method for the Comparison of Acid- and Base-Catalyzed Derivatization of Fatty Acids to FAMES in Three Edible Oils

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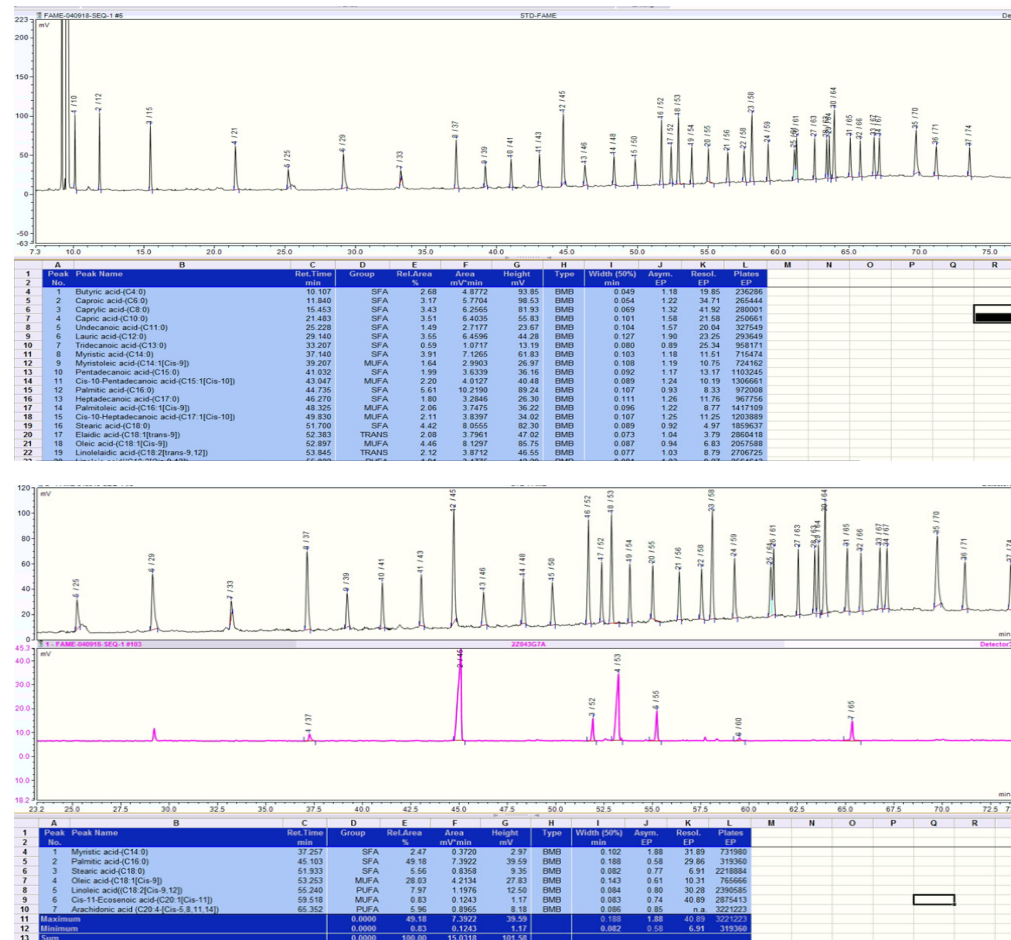
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Key Words

TR-FAME, fatty acid methyl esters (FAMES), BF_3 -methanol, derivatization, cis- and trans-fatty acid

Abstract

This application note demonstrates the analysis of 37 fatty acid methyl esters (FAMES) separated by a highly polar phased Thermo Scientific™ TRACE™ TR-FAME GC column. Results from two derivatization methods (acid and base esterification) were compared for their efficiency in converting fatty acids to their methyl esters on three different fat matrices prior to GC analysis.



3-MCPD Analysis in oil

3-Chloropropane-1,2-diol (3-MCPD)

- Genotoxicity refers to a chemical agent that damages genetic information within a cell, causing mutations that may lead to cancer. All mutagens are genotoxic, but not all genotoxic agents are mutagens. 3-MCPD is categorized as a potentially carcinogenic compound, and, thus, a review to evaluate the genotoxic potential of 3-MCPD is important.
- 3-MCPD is formed as a result of a reaction between a source of chlorine, e.g. chlorinated water or salt, in a food or a food contact material, and a lipid source.
- This reaction is encouraged during the heat processing of foods, including roasting, frying and baking. It is also known to occur in acid-hydrolysed vegetable protein (HVP) when produced using hydrochloric acid.
- Once formed, the stability of 3-MCPD has been shown to be dependent upon the pH and temperature to which it has been exposed. The higher the pH and temperature of the heat treatment, the greater the rate of 3-MCPD degradation.
- During the production of fats and oils, 3-MCPD fatty acid esters may be formed from 3-MCPD when the fats and oils are heated to high temperatures, in the presence of chloride ions.
- 3-MCPD- testing on GCMS/MS for refined edible oil

AOCS guidelines

SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS OF COMMERCIAL FATS AND OILS



AOCS Official Method Cd 29a
Approved 2013

2- and 3-MCPD Fatty Acid Esters and Glycidol Fatty Acid Esters and Fats by Acid Transesterification

DEFINITION

This method is used for the determination of fatty acid esters of 2-chloropropane-1,2-diol (3-MCPD) and glycidol in edible oils and fats; see also AOCS Official Methods Cd 29b-13 or Cd 29c-13 (see Notes, 1).

Glycidyl esters are converted to 3-monobromopropanediol (3-MBP) containing a bromide salt. 3-MBP esters, together with 2- and 3-MCPD, are extracted from the sample; and 2- and 3-MCPD as well as glycidol are determined by GC/MS analysis.

SCOPE

Applicable for the determination of 2- and 3-MCPD fatty acid esters and glycidol fatty acid esters in edible oils/fats.

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AOCS C

Determination of 2,3-Epoxy-1-Propanol (Glycidol) in Oils and Fats by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry

DEFINITION

This method is used for the determination of 2,3-epoxy-1-propanol (glycidol) in edible oils and fats; see also AOCS Official Methods Cd 29a-13 or Cd 29c-13 (see Notes, 1).

Bound glycidol is the sum of all glycidol derivatives that are released by alkaline-catalyzed hydrolysis. The content of bound glycidol is reported in milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg).



AOCS Official Method Cd 29c-13
Approved 2013

Fatty-acid-bound 3-chloropropane-1,2-diol (3-MCPD) and 2,3-epoxy-propane-1-ol (glycidol), Determination in Oils and Fats by GC/MS (Differential Measurement)

DEFINITION

This method is used for the determination of fatty acid esters of 2-chloropropane-1,2-diol (3-MCPD) and glycidol in edible oils and fats; see also AOCS Official Methods Cd 29a-13 or Cd 29b-13 (see Notes, 1).

The sum of bound 3-MCPD and bound glycidol is determined as free 3-MCPD (Assay A). The addition of a dilute solution of sodium hydroxide or sodium methoxide in methanol releases free 3-MCPD and free glycidol by base catalysis. This reaction is stopped by the addition of an excess amount of an acidic chloride-containing salt solution. Under acidic conditions, free glycidol reacts with inorganic chloride to generate additional 3-MCPD and a small amount of 2-MCPD. Derivatization is completed by phenylboronic acid for the measurement by GC/MS.

Bound 3-MCPD (Assay B) is released by a dilute solution of sodium hydroxide or sodium methoxide in methanol. This reaction is stopped by the addition of an excess amount of an acidic chloride-free salt solution (e.g. sodium sulphate, ammonium sulphate, sodium bromide). Under chloride-free acidic conditions, free glycidol does not generate additional 3-MCPD.

Characterization of Essential Oil by GCMS

Characterization and Identification of Essential Oil Components by GC-MS

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Overview

Purpose: Determine the chemical profile for characterization of diene/olefin, acrylonitrile, isoprene/olefin, polycaprolactone, chlorinated olefin and standard compounds with similar chemical structures. **Methods:** Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) analysis of TIO and BT-1000 spectral data using the diethylene column and GC/MS.

Methods: Diene/olefin was analyzed by GC-MS using a split injection onto a diethylene column with a detector (flame ionization) and a detector (flame ionization).

Results: Diene/olefin was analyzed on a quadrupole mass spectrometer. The mass spectrometer was used to provide additional information, including identifying specific compounds. Diene/olefin was stable in TIO, and important olefin components were identified.

Introduction

Essential oils are fragrant mixtures of parts, usually volatile oils obtained from an essential, single species of plant. Most essential oils are primarily composed of terpenes and their suggested derivatives and are obtained by steam distillation or solvent extraction of different parts of the aromatic plants including the leaf, flower, stems, seeds, roots, bark, latex, fruit, wood, and rhizomes etc. Chemical constituents of volatile oils can be divided into two broad classes: 1) terpenoid derivatives formed via metabolic isoprenoid acid pathway and 2) aromatic compounds formed via shikonic acid derived metabolic route.⁷

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Complex essential oils such as pepper oil, turpentine oil, eucalyptol oil, cinnamon oil, clove oil, lemon grass oil, thyme, camphor, cardamom, and nutmeg seedlings, etc. are well analyzed using GC-MS. Conventional analytical methods based on GC and GC/MS operate with 20–60 min run times. High chromatographic efficiencies are required to achieve baseline separation and quantitative determination of the important groups of components. Such methods generally require 20–60 minutes to perform an overall analysis cycle.

This research paper reports an alternative method based on the GC-MS technology implemented on the Thermo Scientific C880-600 Plus with a Thermo Scientific mass spectrometer which operates with long capillary columns. The results demonstrate high performance in sensitivity and resolution, as can be observed in this field.

The real-world examples show and the comparison with respective conventional approaches prove that molecular and chromatographic characterization of three types of complex samples can be achieved by fast GC-MS method.

Methods

6.3.2.2. Configuration

For the application, the Thermo Scientific C8050 GC Plus gas chromatograph with Thermo Scientific autosampler GC-400 is configured with a GC-400 syringe. The sample is injected into the injector at 250°C and the oven is held at 50°C until the baseline is stable. The oven is then programmed to heat at 50°C/min and the cooling times occur rapidly as well, taking about five minutes to return to 50°C from 450°C, at 20°C/min compared to about a minute in conventional mode.

Thermo Scientific Chrom-Cast software was used to acquire consecutive runs in 50 minutes for different material oils. Reaction times in TIC were also used to determine the concentration. To avoid contaminating the GC column and the MS detector, the reaction coils were diluted 50:1 in ethanol and then split 80:1 in the injector.

GC and MS Conditions
Column: Polyethylene Glycol (PEG), 60m x 0.25 mm ID x 1.0µm film,
GC Inlet: 2.5 µL, Split Ratio: 10:1, Flow: 0.5 mL/min, Column: 40°C, 8 min hold, ramp to
200°C @ 10°C/min, hold 10 min, MS: 200 °C interface temperature, 200°C Scan
Range: 40–300

Figures 1 to 6 illustrate the TIC Chromatograms and EIMS spectrum for cinnamon oil, aniseed oil, lemongrass oil, peppermint oil, clove oil, turpentine oil and clove oil. Cinnamon oil is a mixture of distilled from the leaves and barks of

Olibanum *oil*: Olibanum oil is a volatile oil derived from the bark of *Commiphora wightii* (Frankincense tree). The main constituent of the oil is *o*-limonene. The other constituents are, cineol, pinene, bornane, terpinene (pinyl methyl ether) and eugenol etc. Olibanum oil is used as a flavoring agent and also used as an antiseptic and carminative.⁹

Neosapium oil: Consists of a mixture of derived from the fresh leaves of *Guajacum procumbens* Lilledenius. The main constituents of the oil is *Guaiol* (*Sesquiterpene*), the other constituents are: *aromadendrol*, *pinene*, *isocaryophyllene*, *terpinene*, *caryophyllene* etc. It is extensively used as a fixative agent and is

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Figure 1. GC-MS: TIC Profile CITRONELLA OIL and EI Spectra of *N*-Citronellal

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Figure 4. GC-MS: TIC Profile LBDON-GRASS OIL and EI Spectrum of Alpha Phase

Figure 1 is a bar chart titled 'Relative abundance of 16S rDNA sequences'. The y-axis is labeled 'Relative abundance' and ranges from 0 to 100. The x-axis lists bacterial genera: Bacteroides, Clostridium, Lactobacillus, Streptococcus, and others. The bars show the following approximate relative abundances: Bacteroides (~85%), Clostridium (~75%), Lactobacillus (~65%), Streptococcus (~45%), and others (~10%).

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Figure 4. GC-MS: TIC Profile, TURPENTINE OIL, and IR Spectrum of 2-bromocyclohexane

1	Very Good
2	Good
3	Fair
4	Poor
5	Very Poor

References

Conclusion

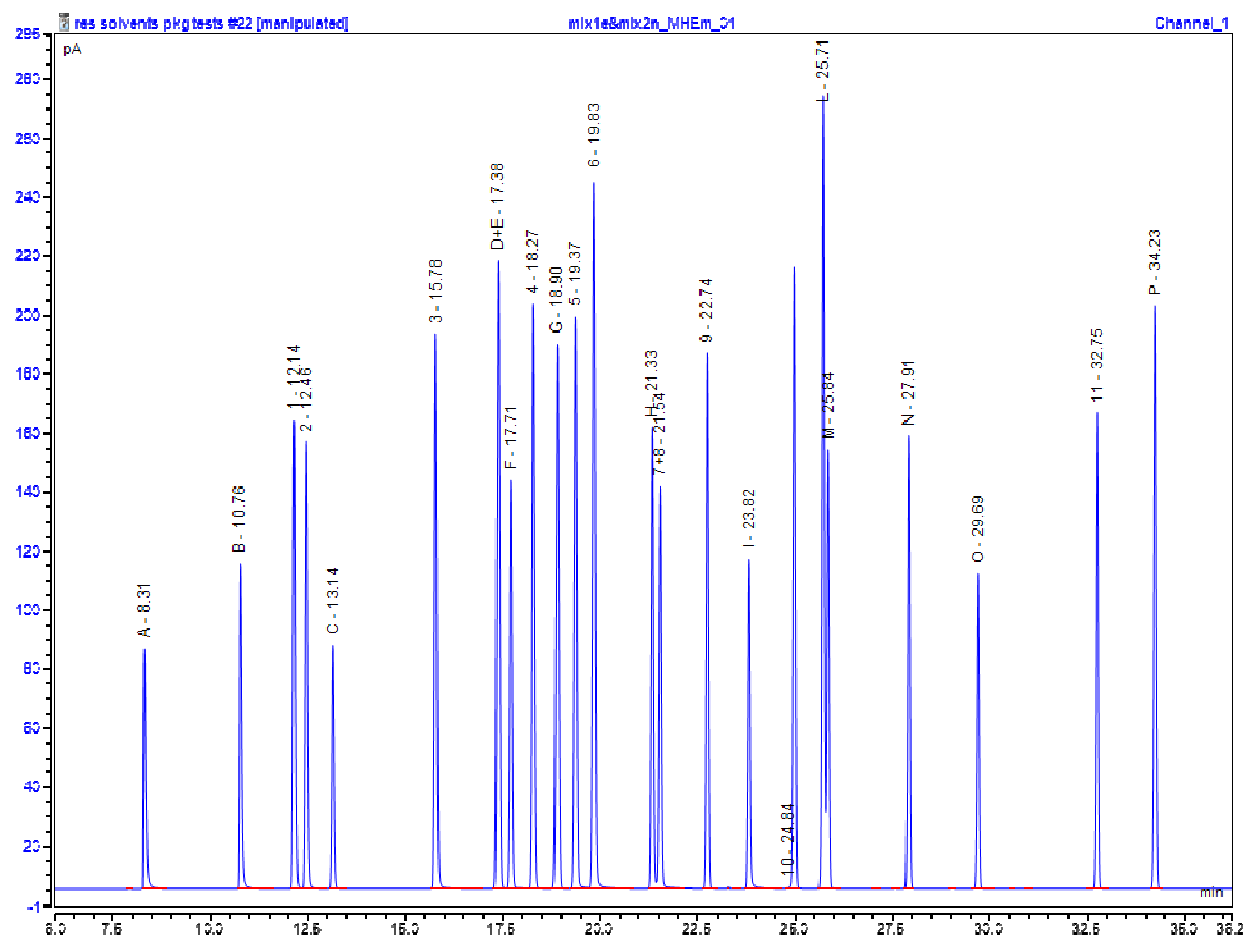
The combined use of TIC with GC-MS (with library search facility) with the help of the Thermo Scientific QP5050 MS Plus and the Thermo Scientific mass spectrometer system provides enhanced capability in the identification and characterization of essential oil components.

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Headspace Analysis- Residual Solvent in Packaging material (EN 13628-1)



Peak	RTs (min)	compound
A	8.32	Methanol
B	10.76	Ethanol
1	12.147	Acetone
2	12.463	2-Propanol
C	13.15	Methyl acetate
3	15.78	1-Propanol
D+E	17.39	Ethyl acetate & 2-Butanone
F	17.72	2-Butanol
4	18.275	Tetrahydrofuran
G	18.91	Cyclohexane
5	19.367	2-Methyl-1-propanol
6	19.833	Isopropyl acetate
H	21.33	1-Butanol
7+8	21.533	1-Methoxy-2-propanol & 2-Methoxyethanol
9	22.738	Propyl acetate
I	23.82	2-Ethoxyethanol
10	24.97	4-Methyl-2-pentanone
L	25.71	Toluene
M	25.84	Isobutyl acetate
N	27.91	Butyl acetate
O	29.69	2-Methoxyethyl acetate
11	32.748	2-Ethoxyethyl acetate
P	34.23	Cyclohexanone

Headspace Analysis- Benzene in Softdrinks

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Comparison of WCOT and PLOT Columns for the GC/MS Analysis of Benzene in Soft Drinks

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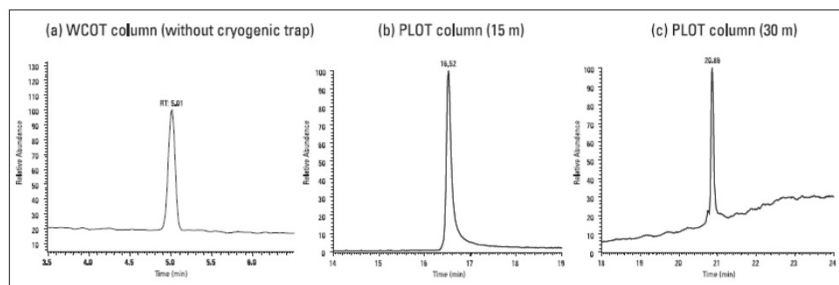


Figure 1: SIM of lower standard 0.5 ng/g of benzene in water

SPME- Wine Analysis

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Identification and Quantification of Impurities in Wines by GC/MS

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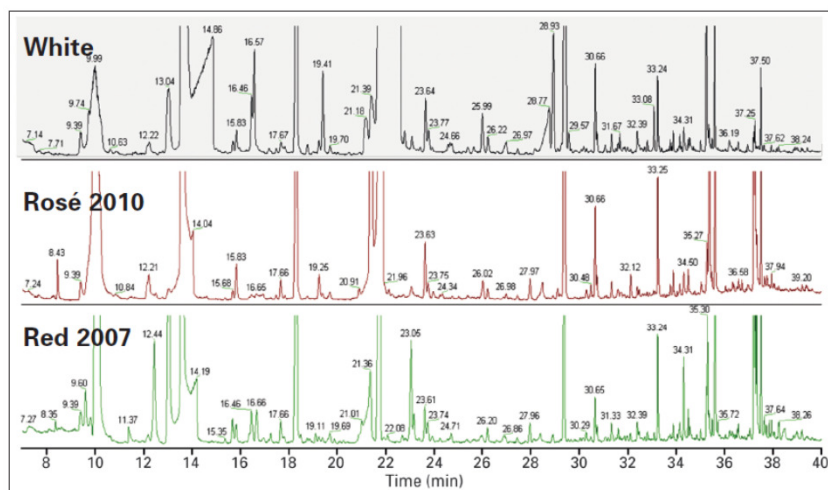


Figure 2: Chromatograms showing full-scan acquisitions for three wine types

SPME- PAH in Drinking water

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Table 4. Linearity, recovery, log K_{ow} and %RSD results for 16 regulated PAHs.

Compound	R ²	MDL (ng/L)	Recovery (%)	Log K _{ow}	RSD (%)	Carry-over (%)
Naphthalene	0.9					
Acenaphthylene	0.9					
Acenaphthene	0.9					
Fluorene	0.9					
Phenanthrene	0.9					
Anthracene	0.9					
Fluoranthene	0.9					
Pyrene	0.9					
Benzo[a]anthracene	1.0					
Chrysene	1.0					
Benzo[b]fluoranthene	1.0					
Benzo[k]fluoranthene	1.0					
Benzo[a]pyrene	1.0					
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	1.0					
Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene	0.9					
Benzo[ghi]perylene	0.9					

Determination of
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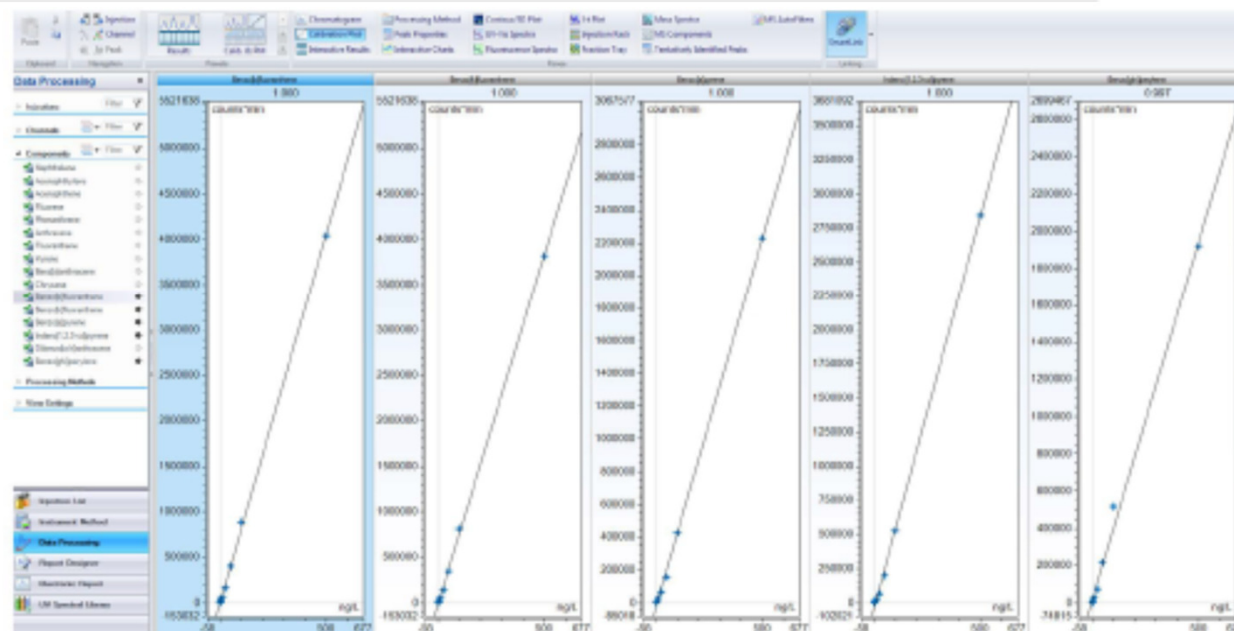


Figure 2. Chromeleon CDS results browser showing 8-point calibration curve obtained over a concentration range of 1–500 ng/L for benzo[b]fluoranthene, benzo[k]fluoranthene, benzo[a]pyrene, indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene, and benzo[ghi]perylene.

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