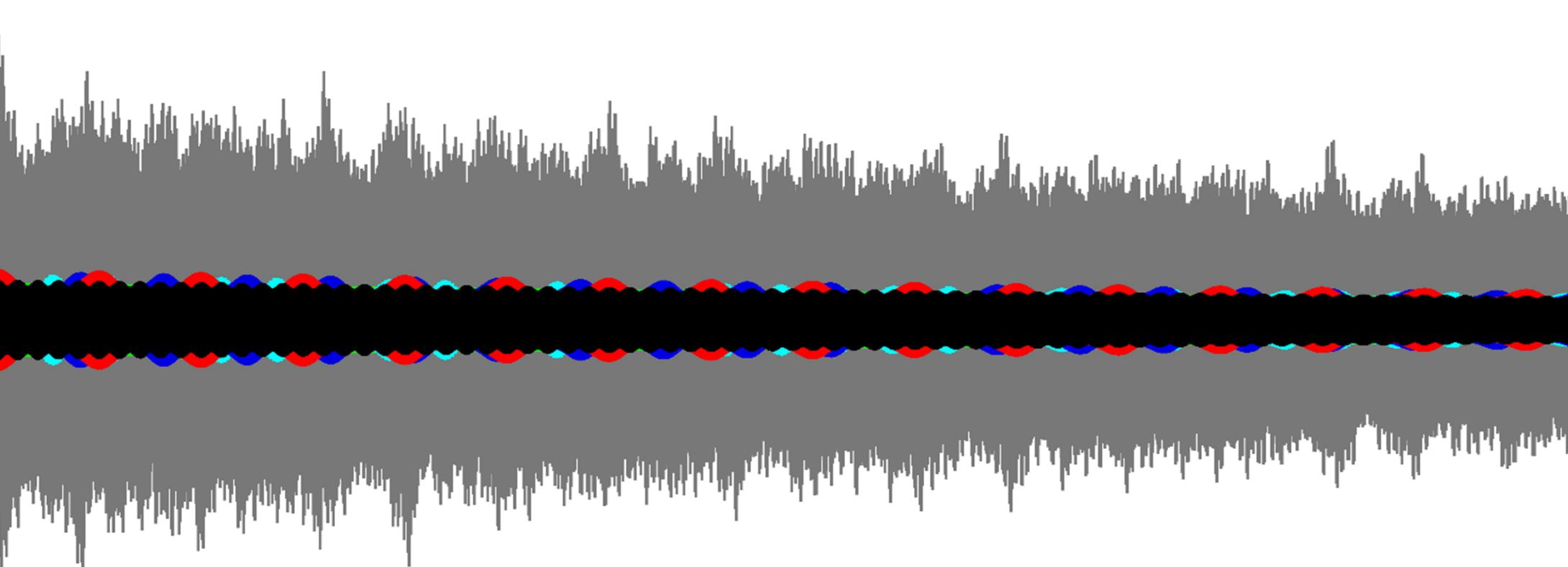




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Fourier Transform Mass Spectrometry: Fundamentals and Data Processing



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FTMS: Fundamentals and Data Processing

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Fourier Transform Mass Spectrometry: FTMS

ICR: ion cyclotron resonance

MRMS: magnetic resonance MS



Orbitraps

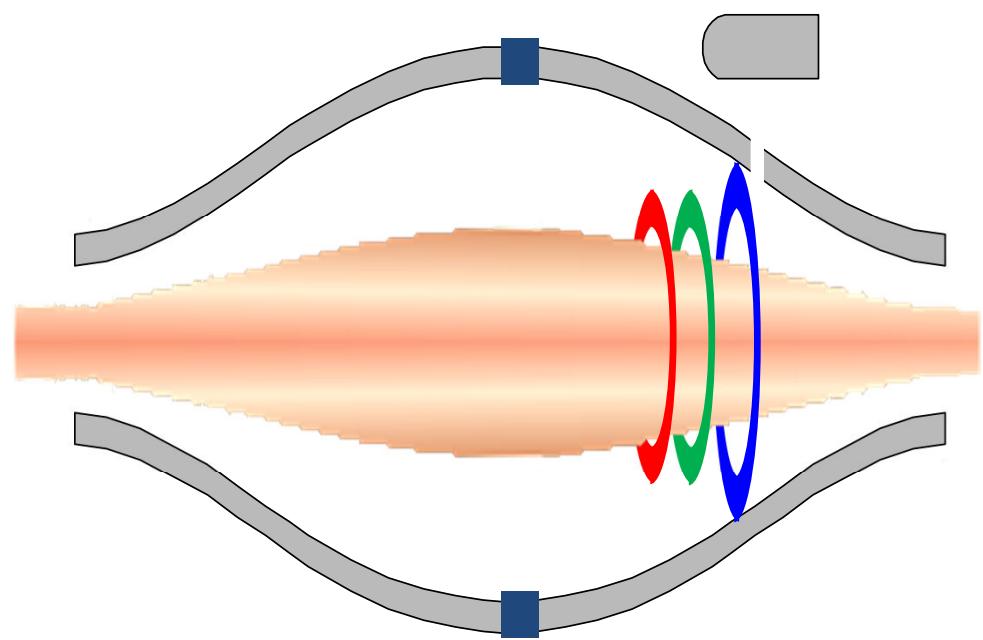
Electrostatic ion traps



FTMS Principles

- Ion identity (m/z) is encoded as a frequency of ion oscillations in an ion trap
- Frequencies of ion oscillations are measured as time-domain signals (**transients**)
- Fourier transform (FT) decodes transients to reveal frequencies (m/z) values

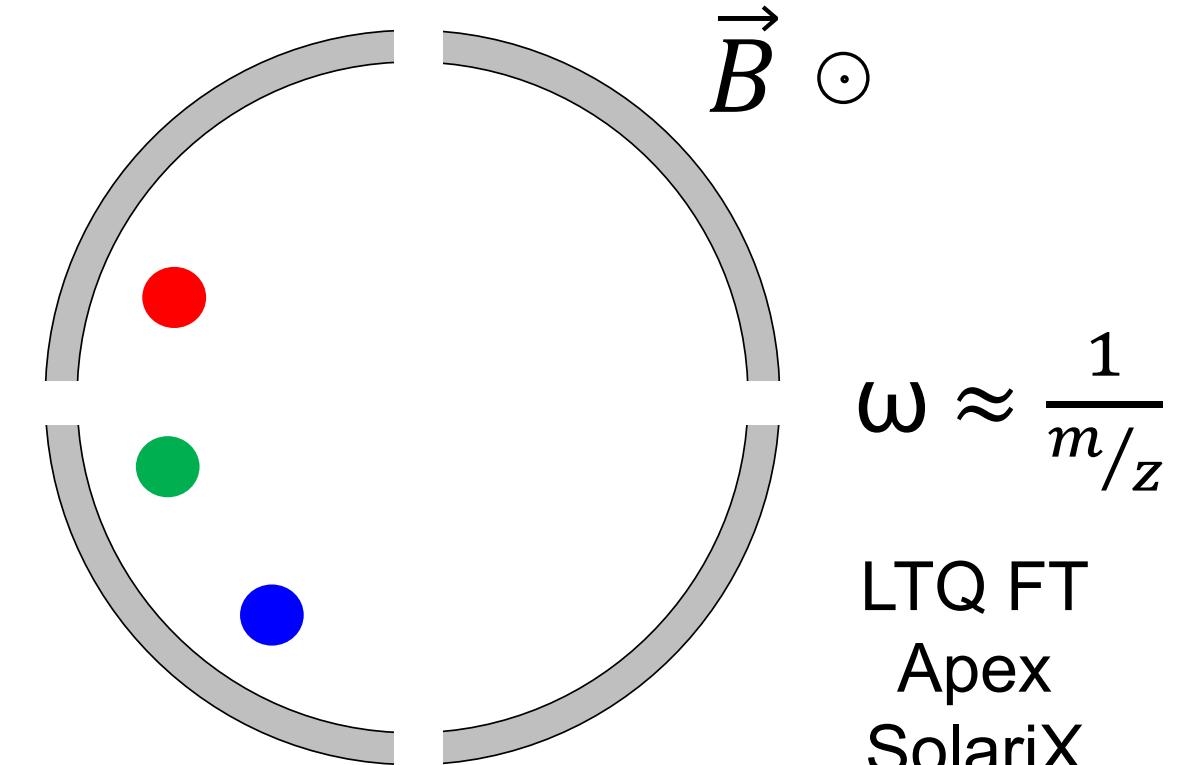
Electrostatic field-based Orbitrap



$$\omega \approx \sqrt{\frac{k}{m/z}}$$

Orbitrap™ families: LTQ Orbitrap; Exactive;
Q Exactive; Exploris; Fusion; Lumos; Eclipse

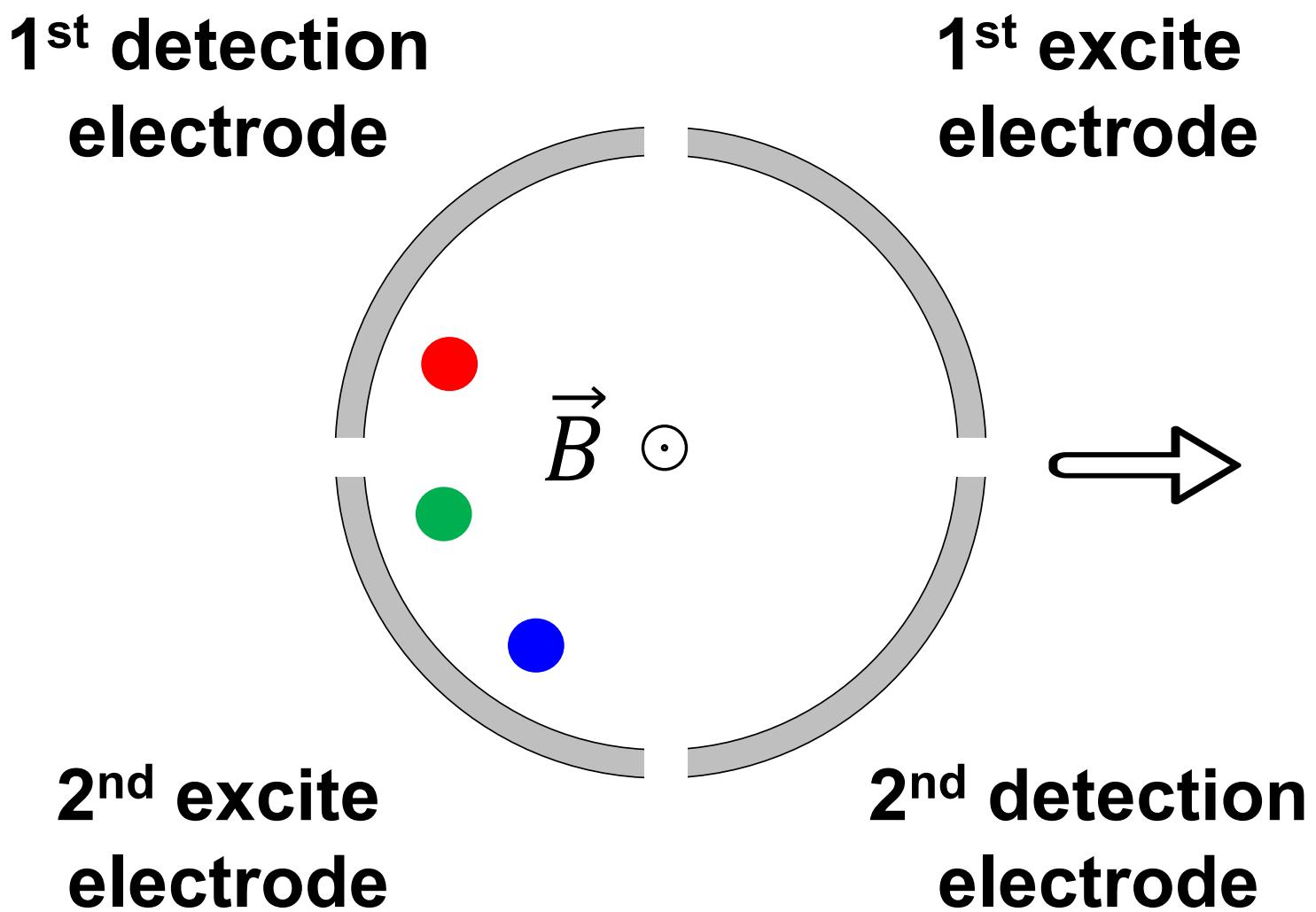
Magnetic field-based Ion Cyclotron Resonance (ICR) Magnetic Resonance MS (MRMS)



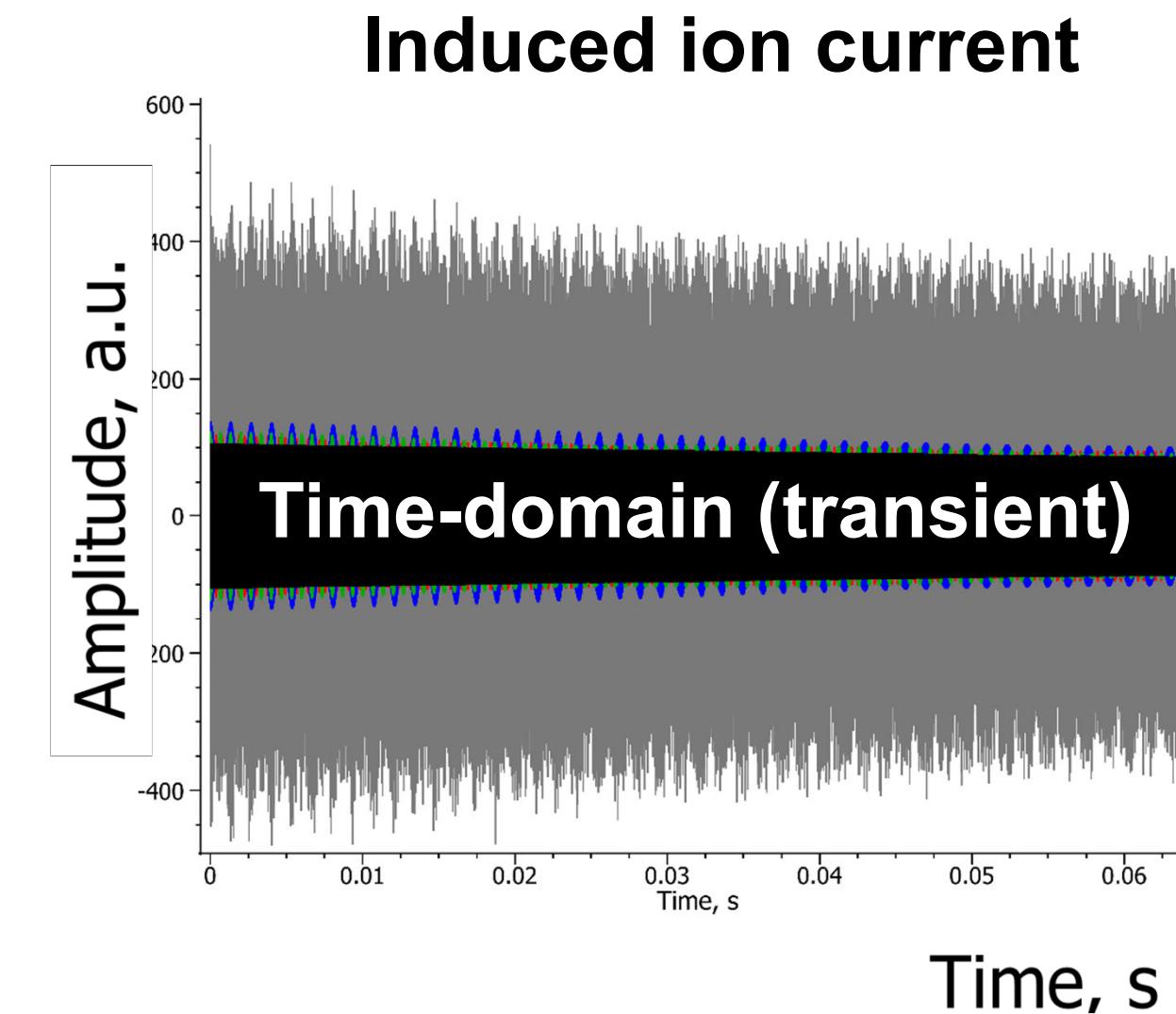
$$\omega \approx \frac{1}{m/z}$$

LTQ FT
Apex
SolariX
ScimaX

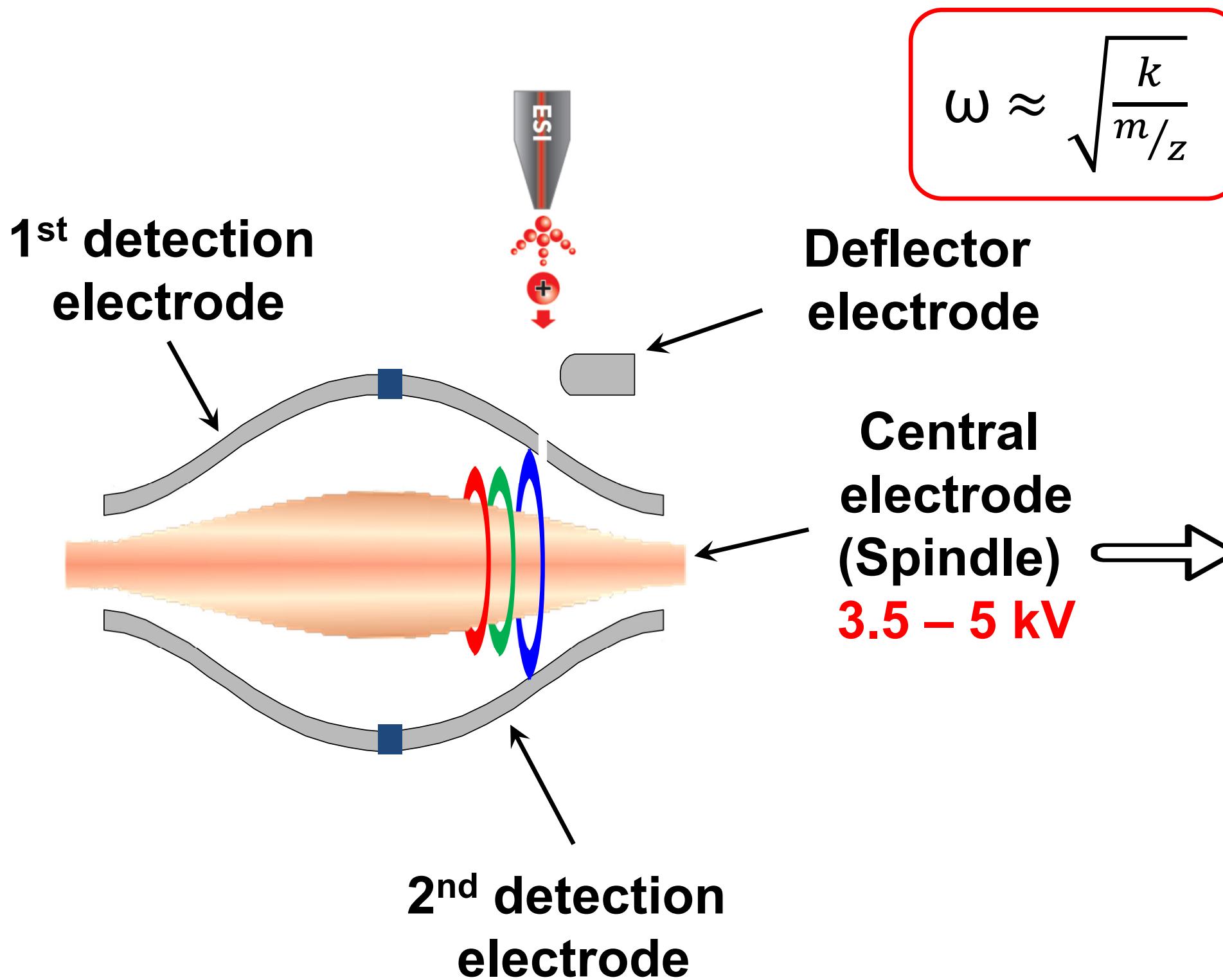
From Ion Oscillations to Ion Signals: FT-ICR MS



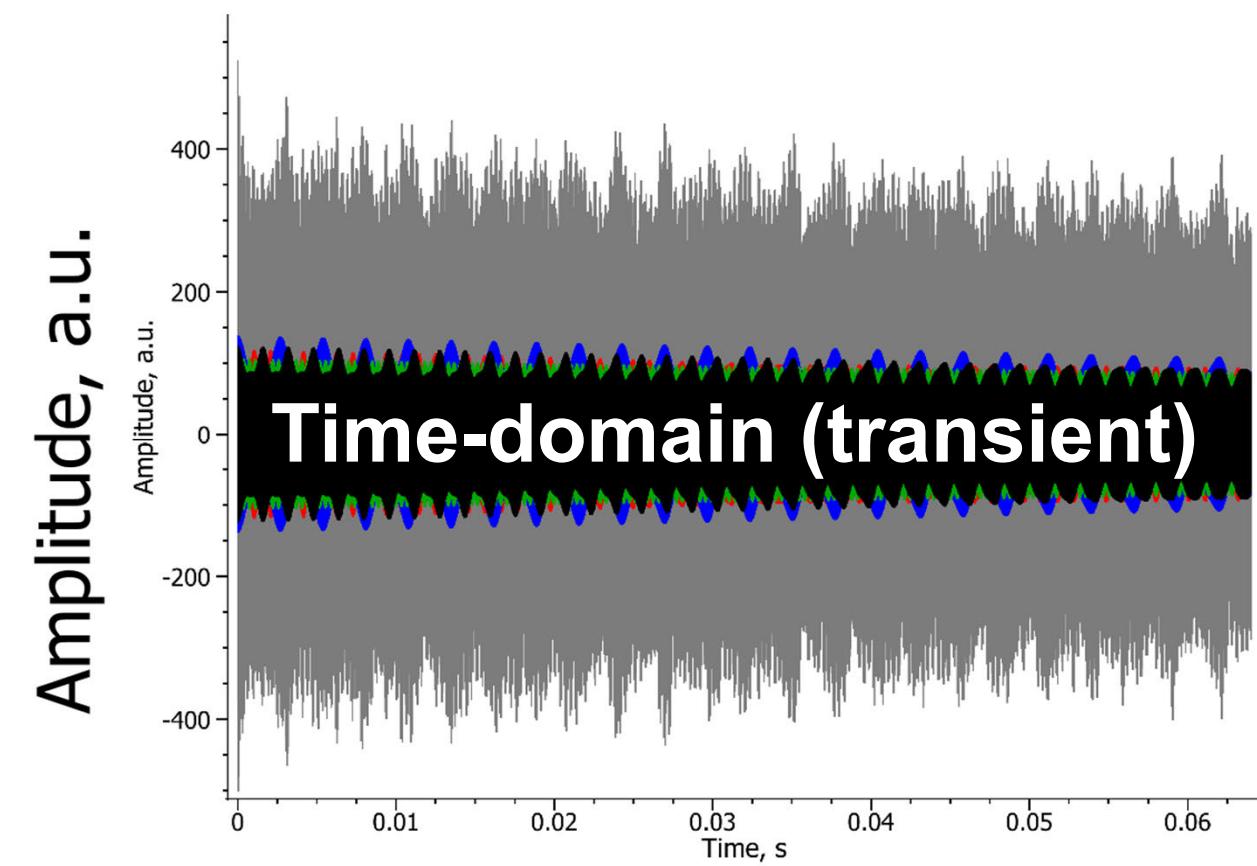
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From Ion Oscillations to Ion Signals: Orbitrap FTMS



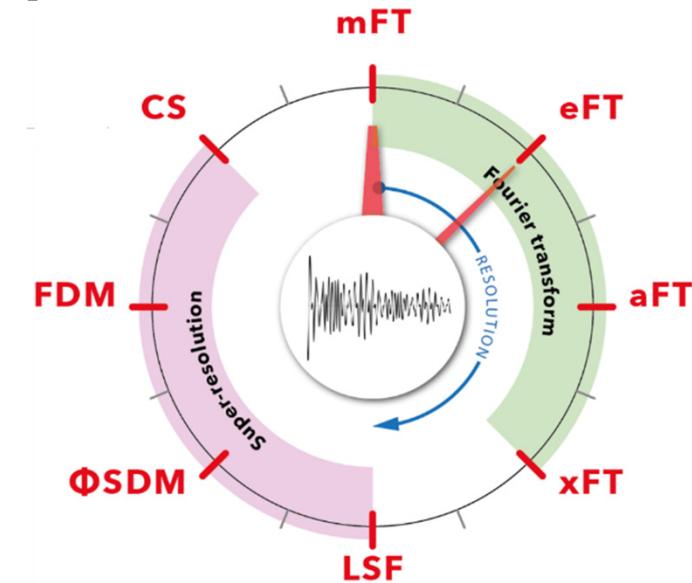
Induced ion current
(signal difference between
1st & 2nd detection electrodes)



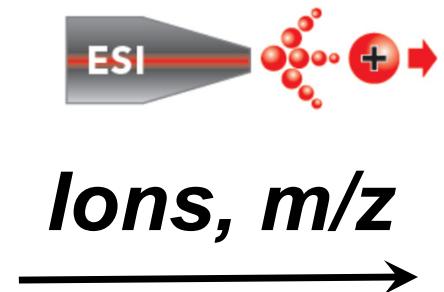
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FT

Fourier Transform (FT): From Transients to Frequencies

- General information on FT processing:
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spUNpyF58BY>
- Magnitude FT (**mFT**): basic and most common approach
 - all FT-ICR MS / MRMS and earlier Orbitraps (up to and including LTQ Orbitrap Velos)
 - Data processing in FTMS: O'Connor *et al.*, *Mass Spectrom. Reviews* (2014) 33:333
- Enhanced FT (**eFT**): a combination of mFT (peak bottom) and aFT (peak top)
 - all Orbitraps starting with LTQ Orbitrap Elite (Makarov *et al.*, *IJMS* (2014) 369, 16-22)
- Absorption FT (**aFT**): doubles mFT resolution, information equal to transients
 - post-processing of transients (e.g., with AutoVectis, see www.kilgourlab.com)
 - in-hardware via acquisition of phased transients (e.g., DOI: 10.1021/jasms.9b00032)



Frequency - m/z Relationships: Calibration



Orbitrap

$$\omega \approx \sqrt{\frac{k}{m/z}}$$

S	106
SF	253
SFS	340
SFSM	471

$f, \text{ kHz}$

1413	1738
915	728
789	542
670	391

FT-ICR MS / MRMS

$$\omega \approx \frac{1}{m/z}$$

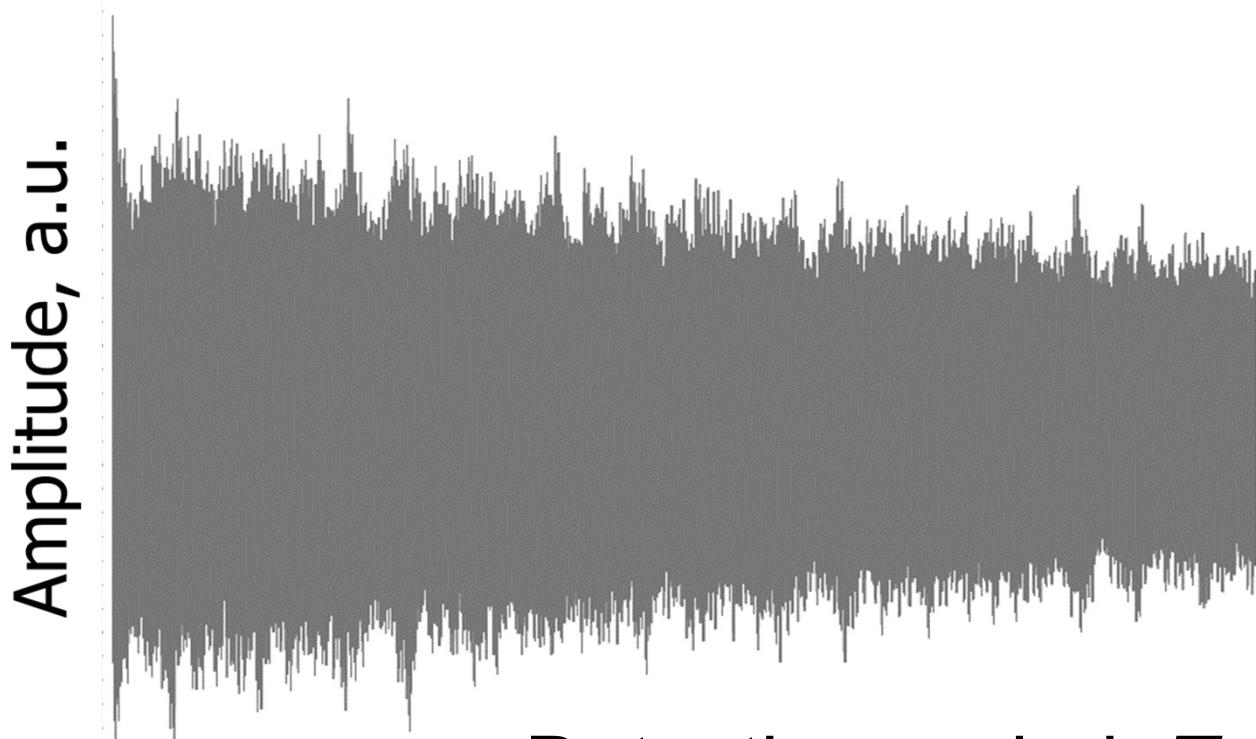
- What is k ?

@ QE HF @ 12 T

Ion oscillation frequency reduces FASTER for ICR compared to Orbitrap

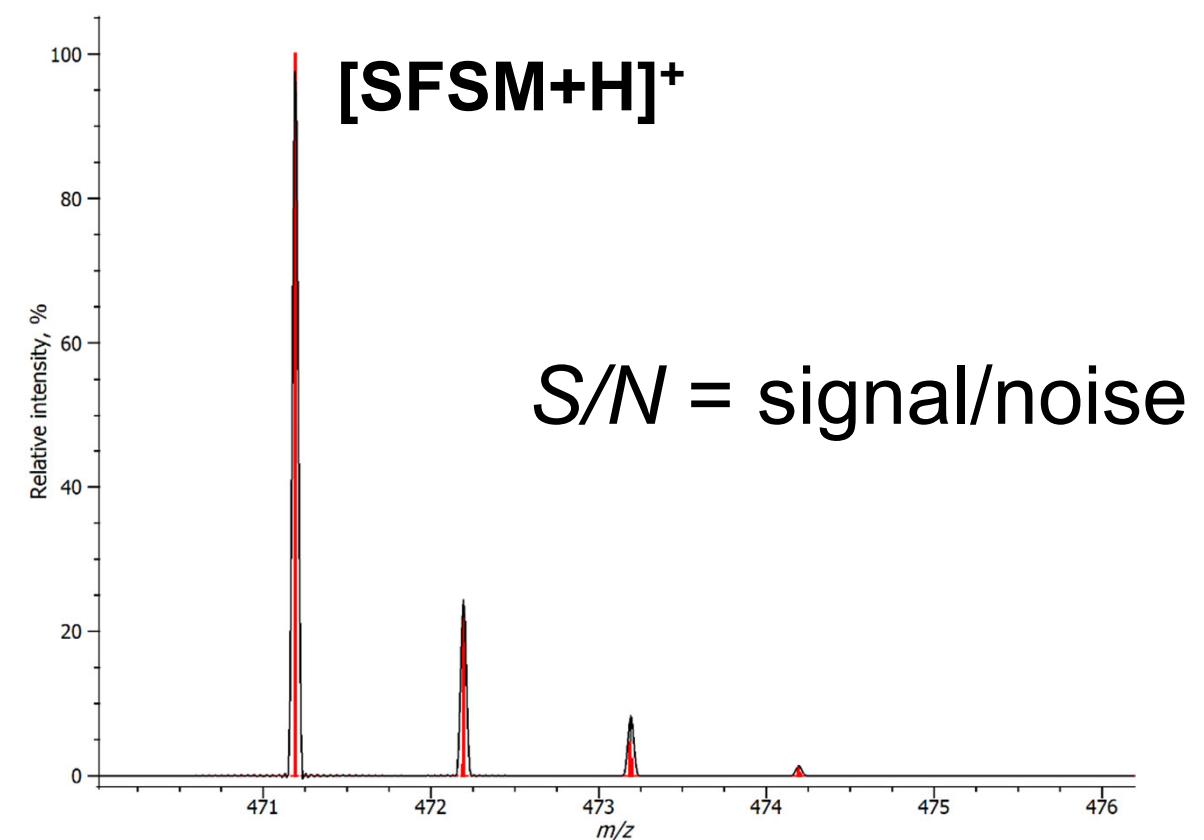
FTMS Data Processing Example

Time-domain ion signals (transients)



FT
calibration

Absorption mode mass spectra



$$R \sim T$$

- Resolution increases linearly with transient length (detection period)

$$S/N \sim \sqrt{T}$$

- Sensitivity increases as a sqrt of transient length (detection period)

$$S/N \sim z$$

- Peak intensities are directly proportional to the charge state of the ions

$$S/N(t) \sim z$$

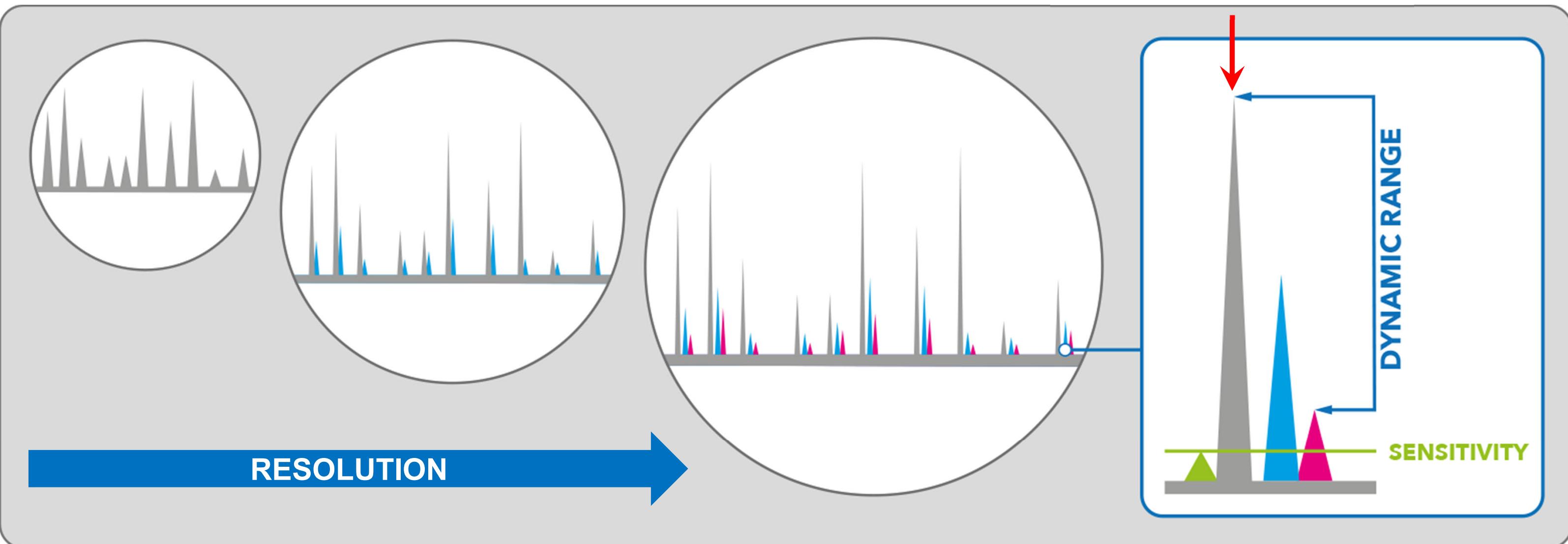
- Peak intensity increase in time is proportional to the ion's charge state

FTMS Analytical Characteristics

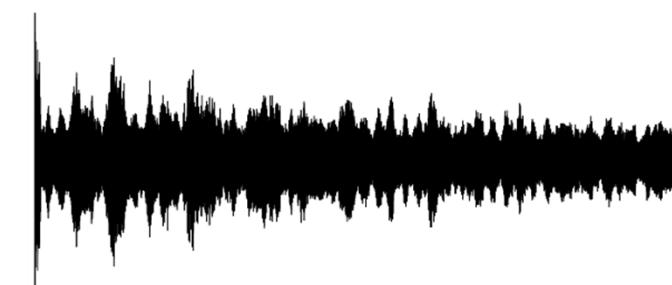
- the highest resolution
- the highest mass accuracy

ABUNDANCE ACCURACY

MASS ACCURACY



DATA ACQUISITION SPEED (THROUGHPUT)
induced current ion detection (transients)

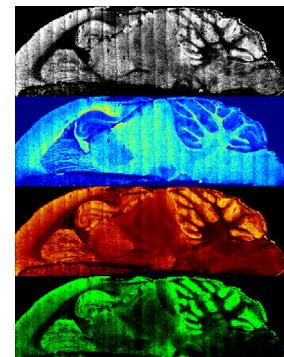


$$R \propto f \cdot T$$

(Some) Key Applications of FTMS

ICR / MRMS

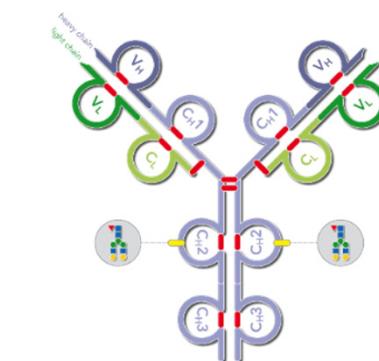
- Ultra-high performance
- High space-charge tolerance
- Ion detection & transformation



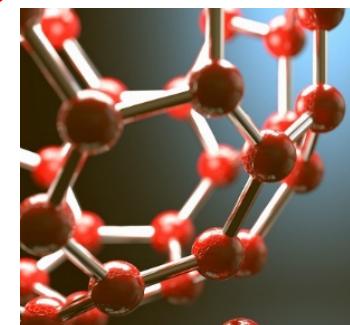
Imaging



Complex mixture analysis



Structural biology:
top-down analysis



In-cell reactions!
Basic science

C.04: Frédéric Aubriet

Orbitraps

- High performance
- Ion detection (only)
- Extremely versatile
- On-line LC/GC/...
- Easy to use (!)

C.02: Sophie Ayciriex

O.12: Maroussia Parailoux

Metabolomics

BioPharma (MAM & top-down)

Protein complexes/viruses: single ion counting (CDMS)

Elemental analysis, isotopic ratio analysis

Imaging, (medium) complex mixtures analysis, ...

Bottom-up proteomics

Clinical/ Toxicology

Environmental & Food safety

Pharma metabolite ID/profiling

FTMS: Fundamentals and Data Processing

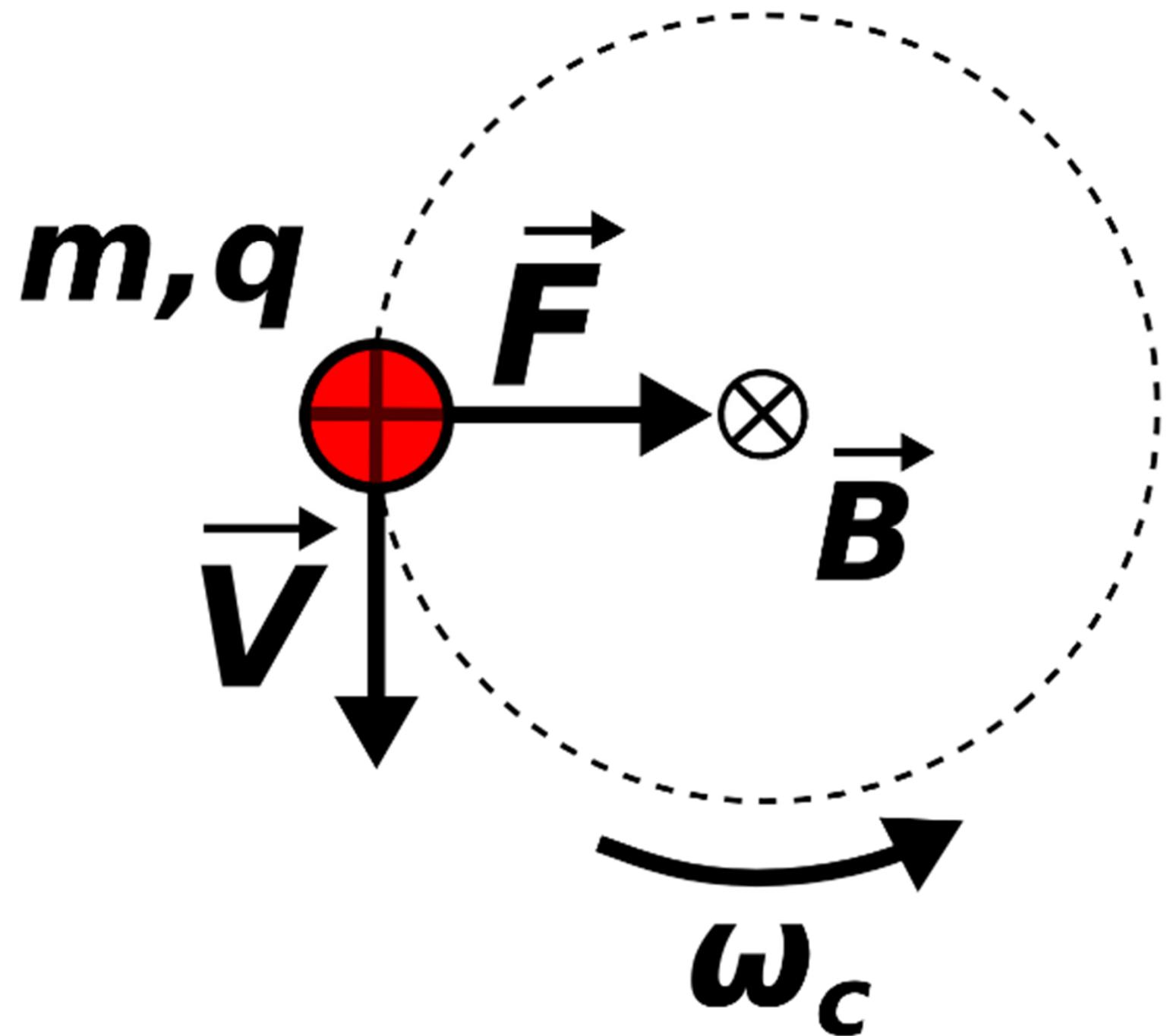
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FT-ICR MS Concept: Ion Cyclotron Frequency

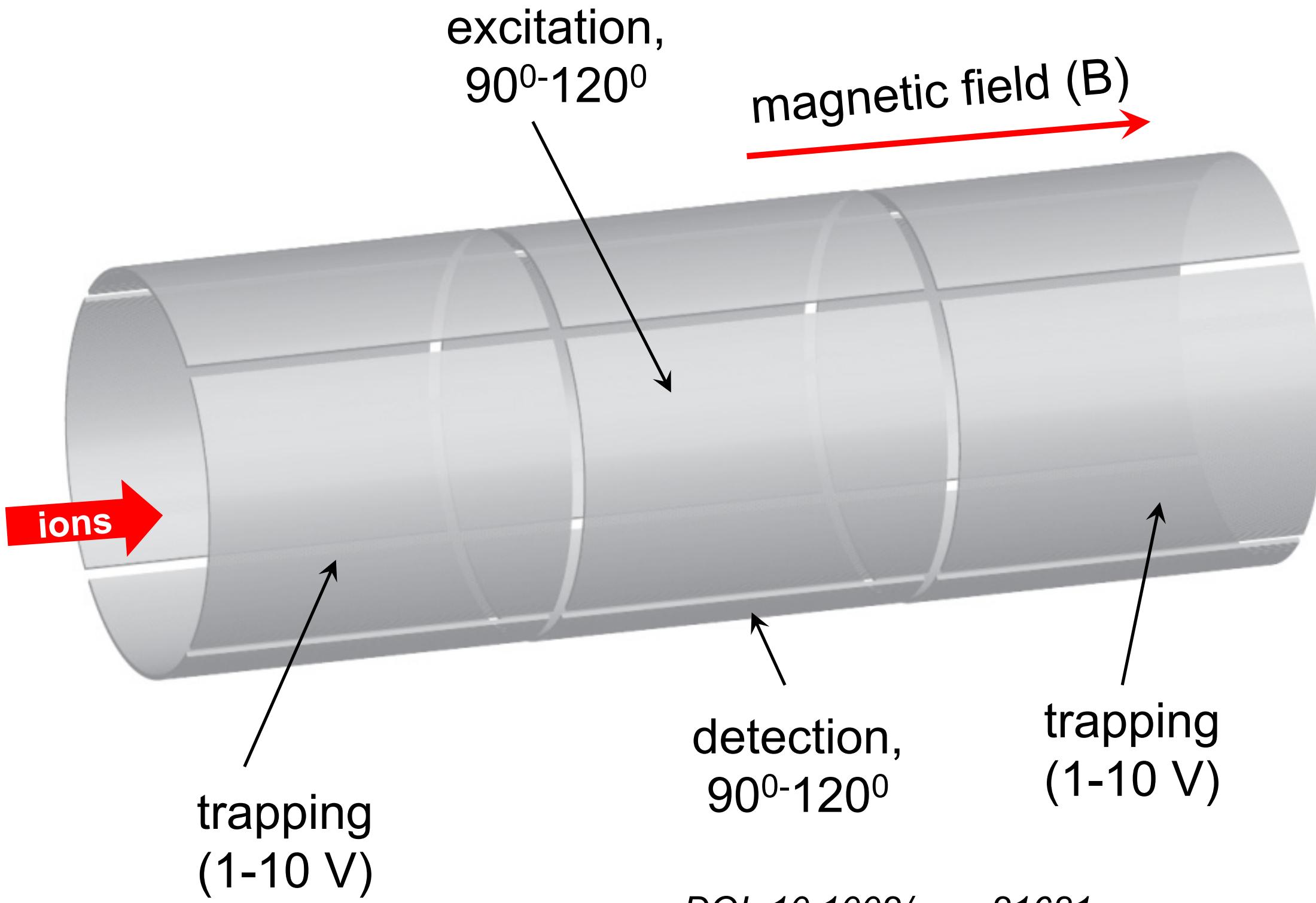


$$\omega_c = \frac{q}{m} B$$

cyclotron frequency

Marshall et al., Mass Spectrometry Reviews (1998) 17:1-35

ICR Ion Trap (Cell): Ion Trapping, Excitation, & Detection

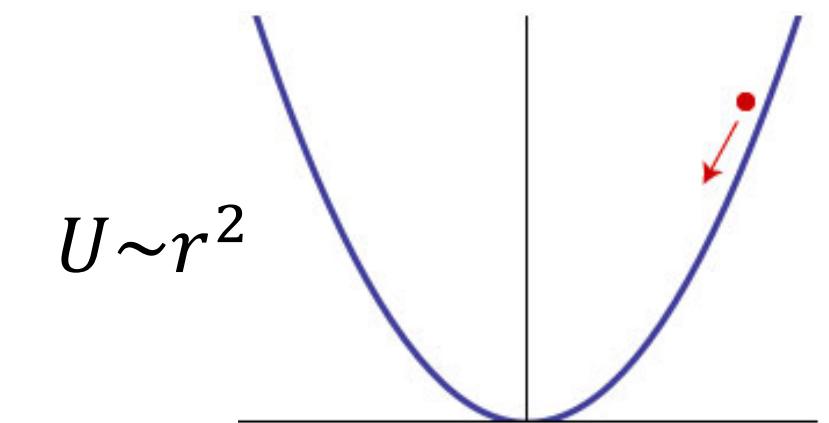


Ion trapping in radial direction:
magnetic field

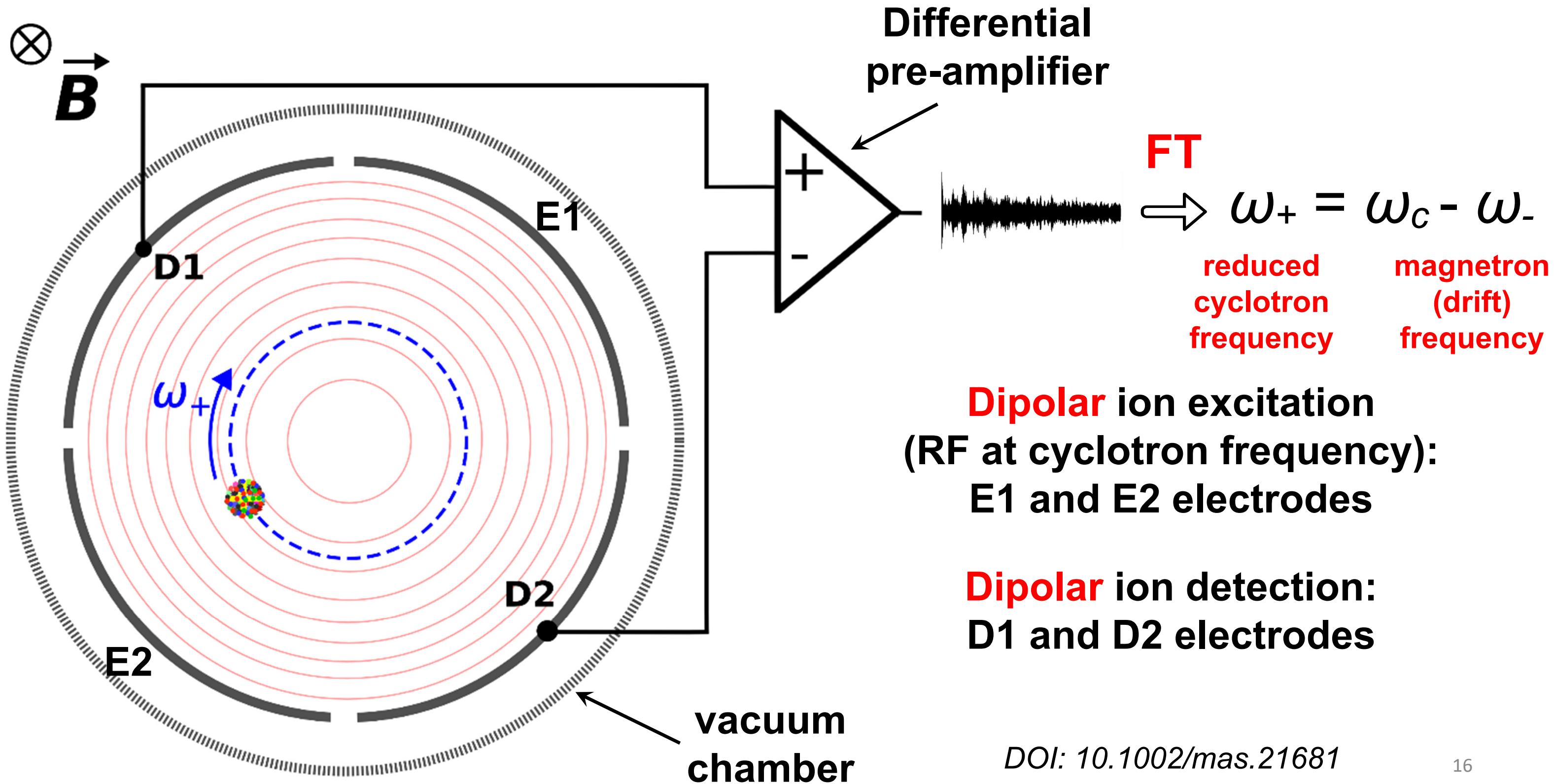
Ion trapping in axial direction:
electric field

Ideal trapping electric field:
**linear field (quadratic
trapping potential)**

$$E_r = -\frac{d}{dr} U = \text{const} \cdot r$$

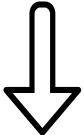


Ion Detection in FT-ICR MS

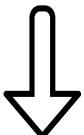


Ion Detection: a Quadratic Trapping Potential

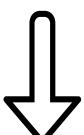
Ion packet injection



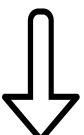
Ion trapping (on-axis)



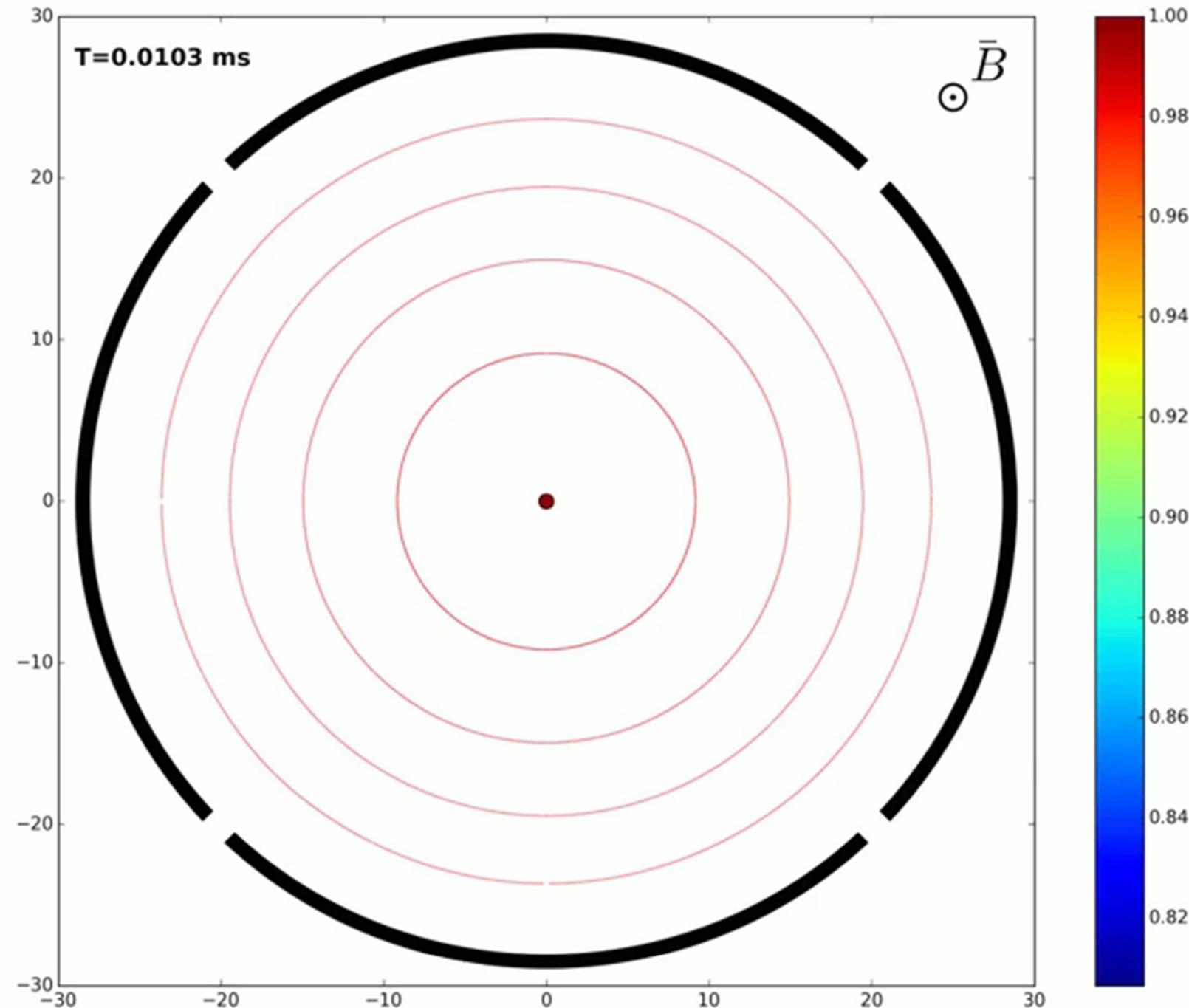
Ion excitation to a higher
radius with an RF field
(compact cloud)



Ion detection
(induced ion current)



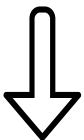
Quench of ions
(ion ejection)



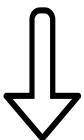
Ion Detection: a Non-Quadratic Trapping Potential



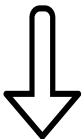
Ion packet injection



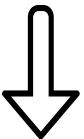
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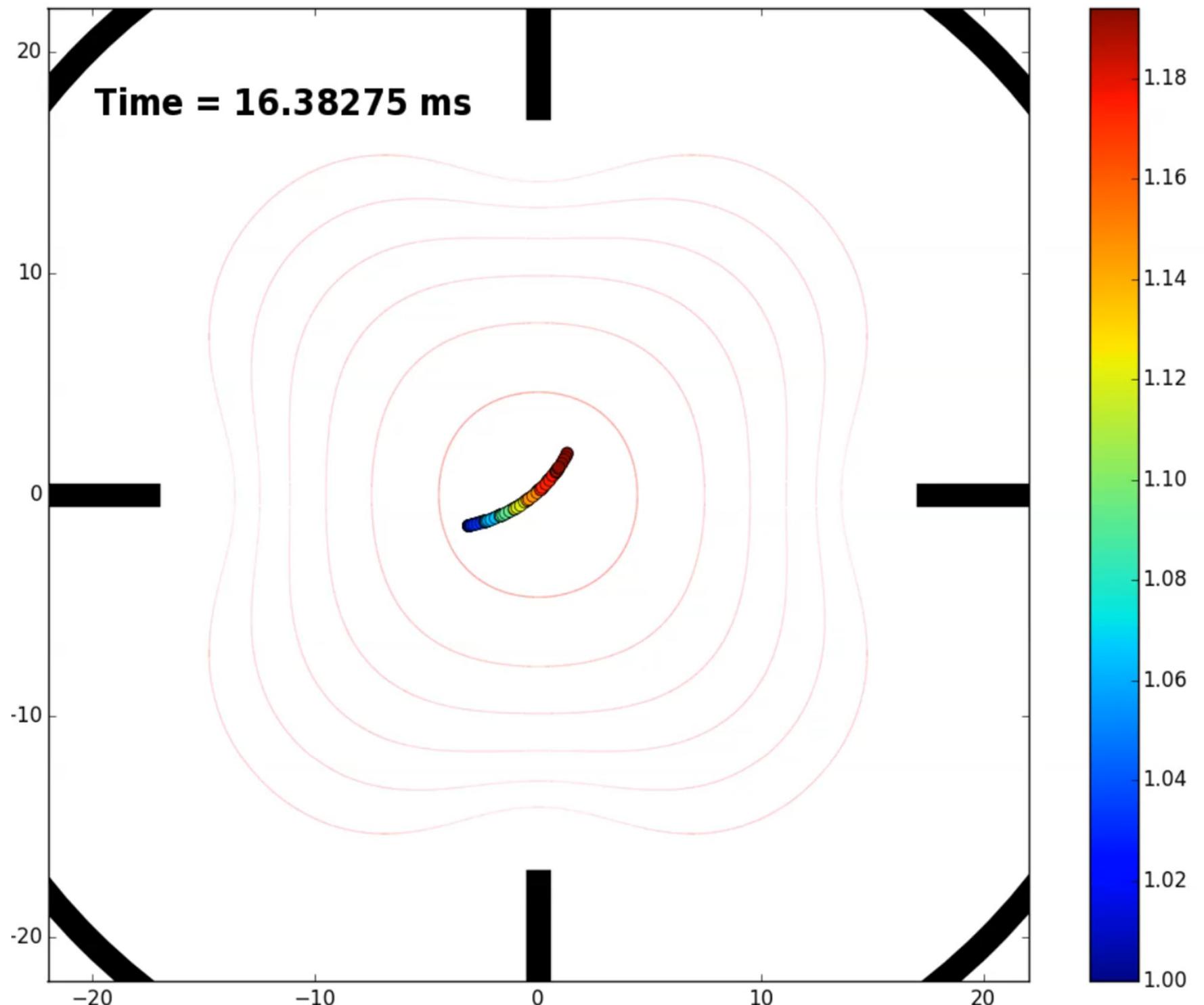
Ion excitation to a higher
radius: an RF field & sidekick
(distributed ions)



Ion detection
(induced ion current)

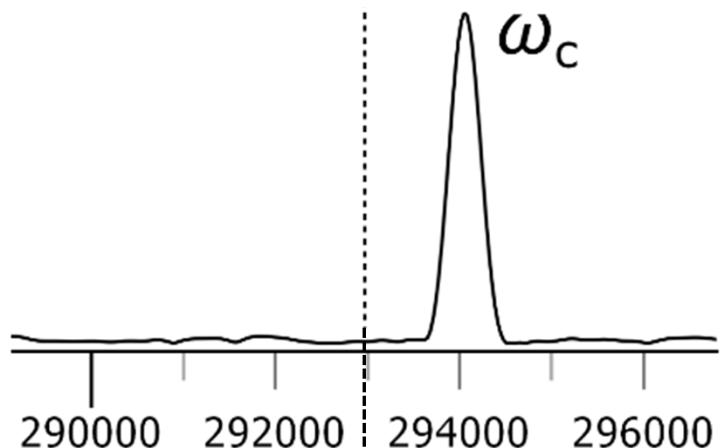


Quench of ions
(ion ejection)

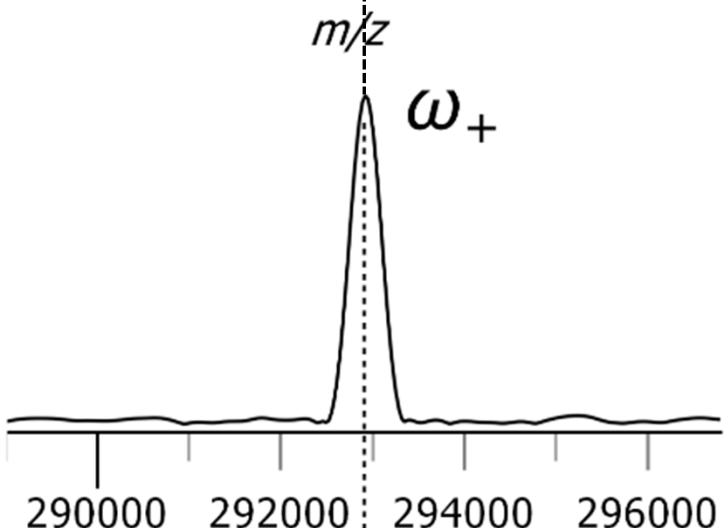


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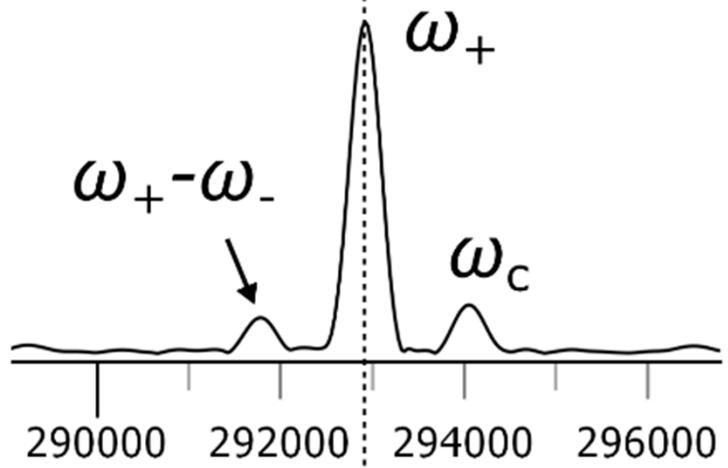
cyclotron frequency



reduced cyclotron frequency



reduced cyclotron frequency
(realistic case)



$$\omega_c = \frac{q}{m} B$$

NADEL ICR cells
distributed ions

DOI: 10.1002/mas.21681

$$\omega_+ = \omega_c - \omega_-$$

magnetron (drift) frequency

Idealistic (well tuned)
FT-ICR MS / MRMS

$$\omega_+ = \omega_c - \omega_-$$

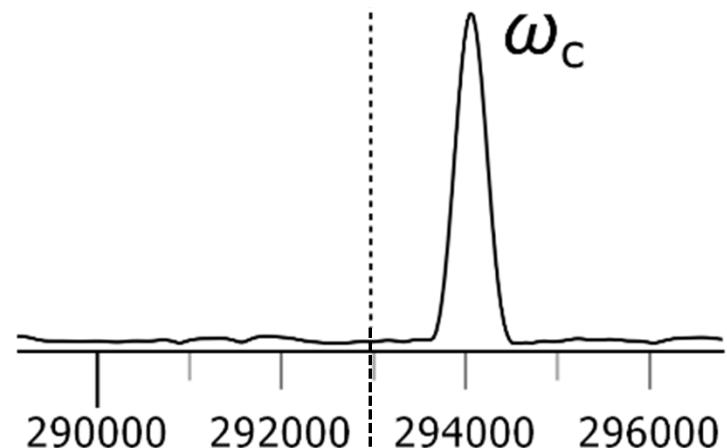
magnetron (drift) sidebands

Conventional
FT-ICR MS / MRMS
compact clouds

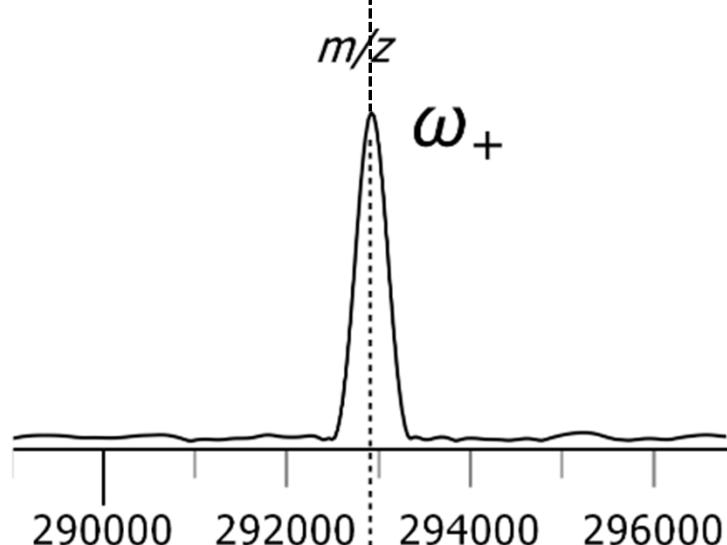
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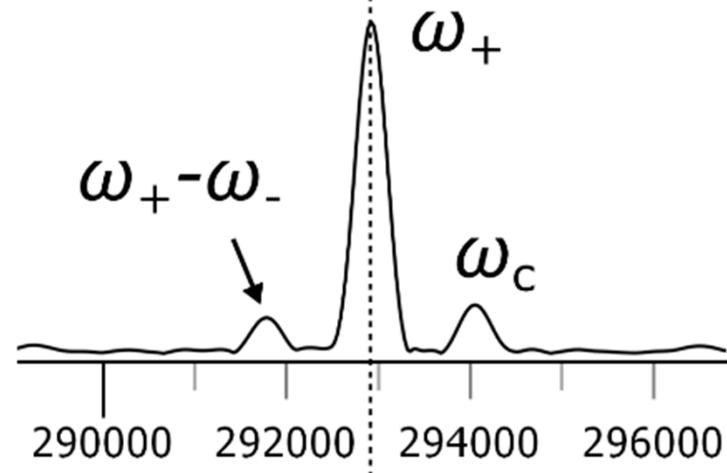
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reduced cyclotron frequency

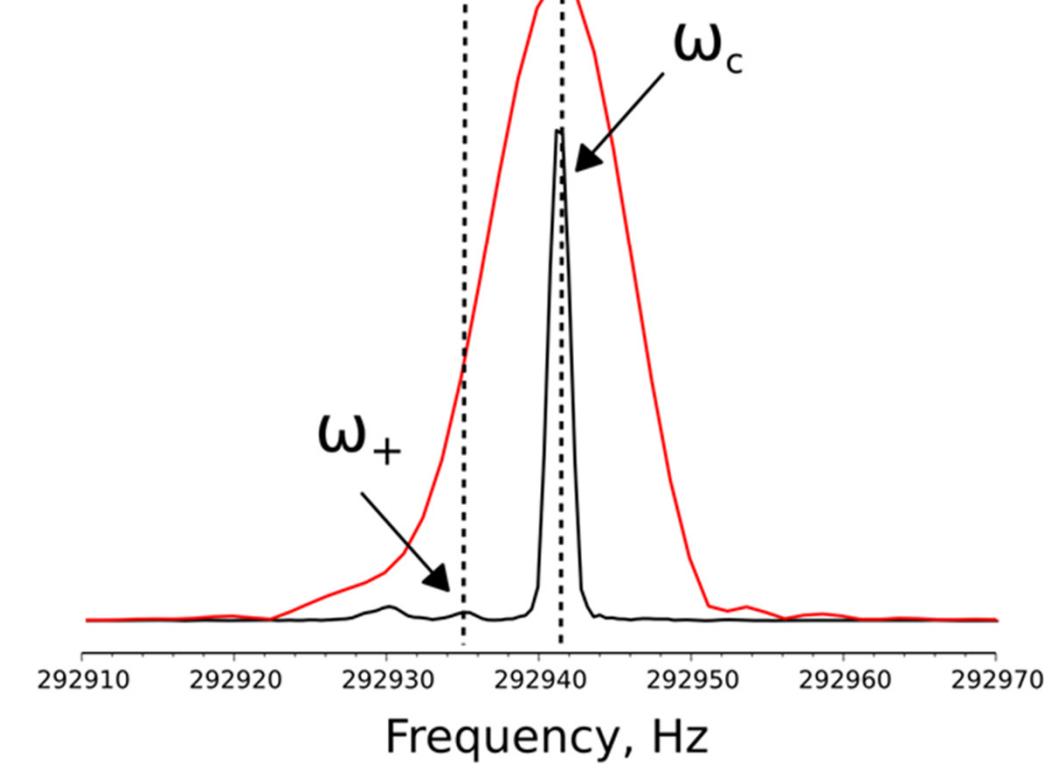
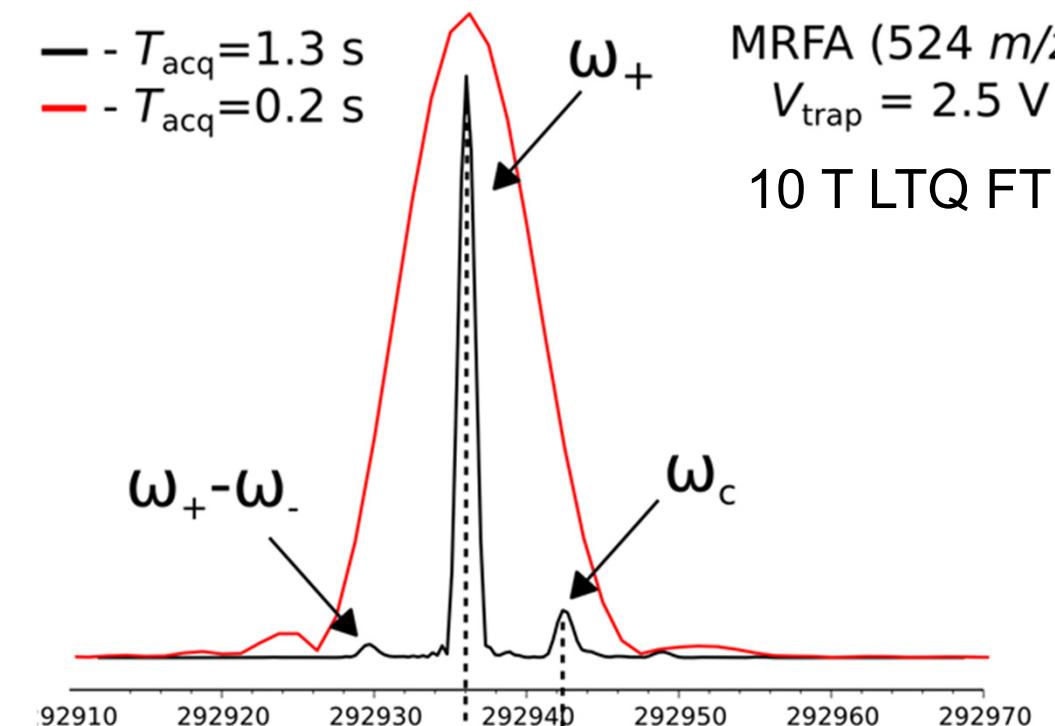


**reduced cyclotron frequency
(realistic case)**



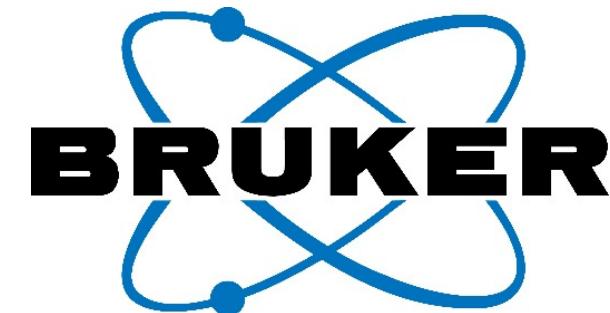
— $T_{\text{acq}} = 1.3$ s
— $T_{\text{acq}} = 0.2$ s

MRFA (524 m/z)
 $V_{\text{trap}} = 2.5$ V
10 T LTQ FT



How Many FT-ICR MS / MRMS Are Out There?

solariX MRMS



scimaX MRMS



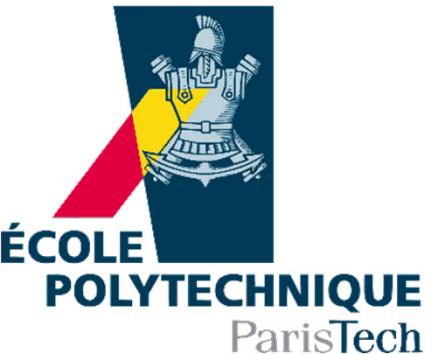
“The workhorse platform for high-field MRMS work at 12T or 15T – useful for ultra-complex mixture analysis such as petroleomics and dissolved organic materials.”

“scimaX® is powered by 2xR MRMS technology, bringing the “high hanging fruit” within easy reach”

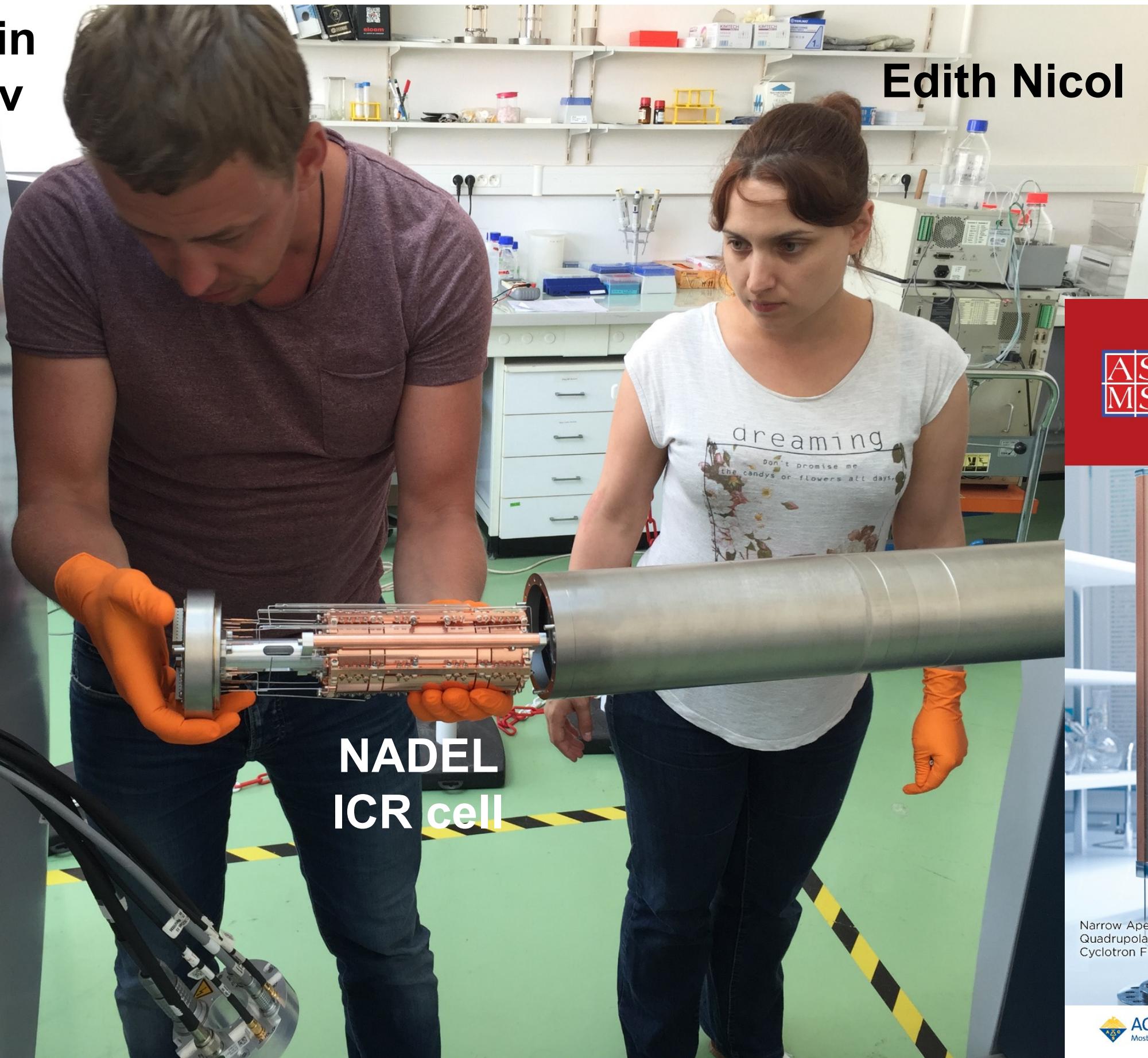
<https://www.bruker.com/en/products-and-solutions/mass-spectrometry/mrms.html>

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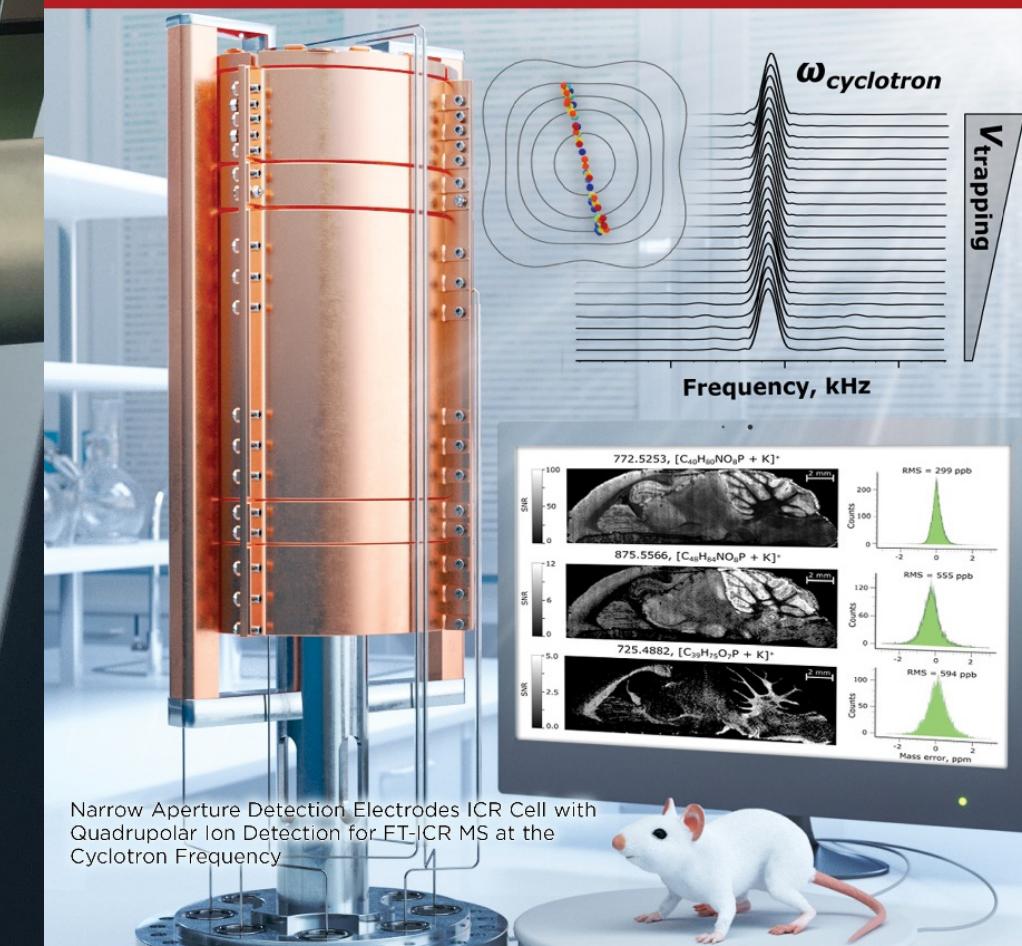


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ICR cell



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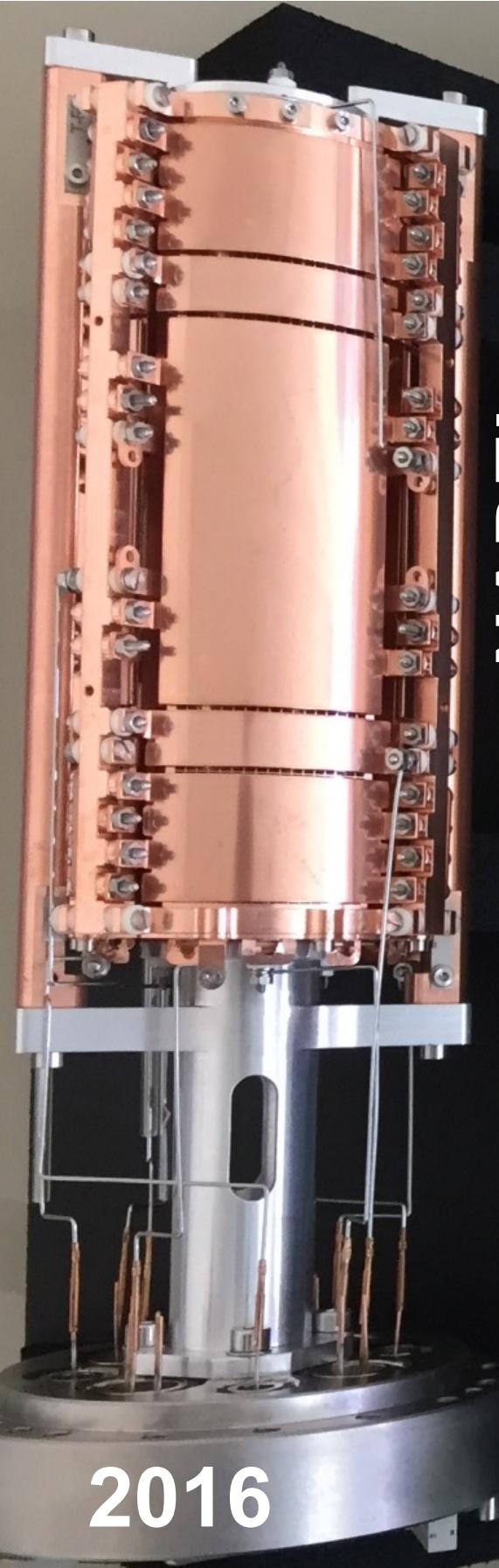


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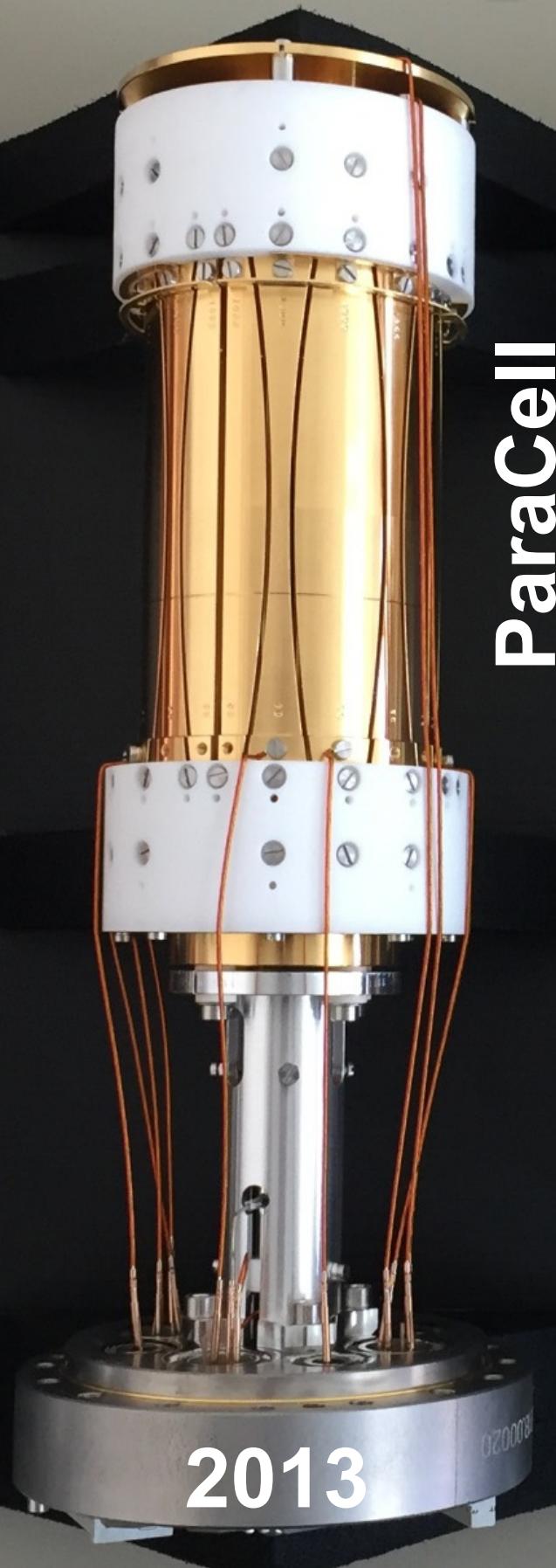
2016

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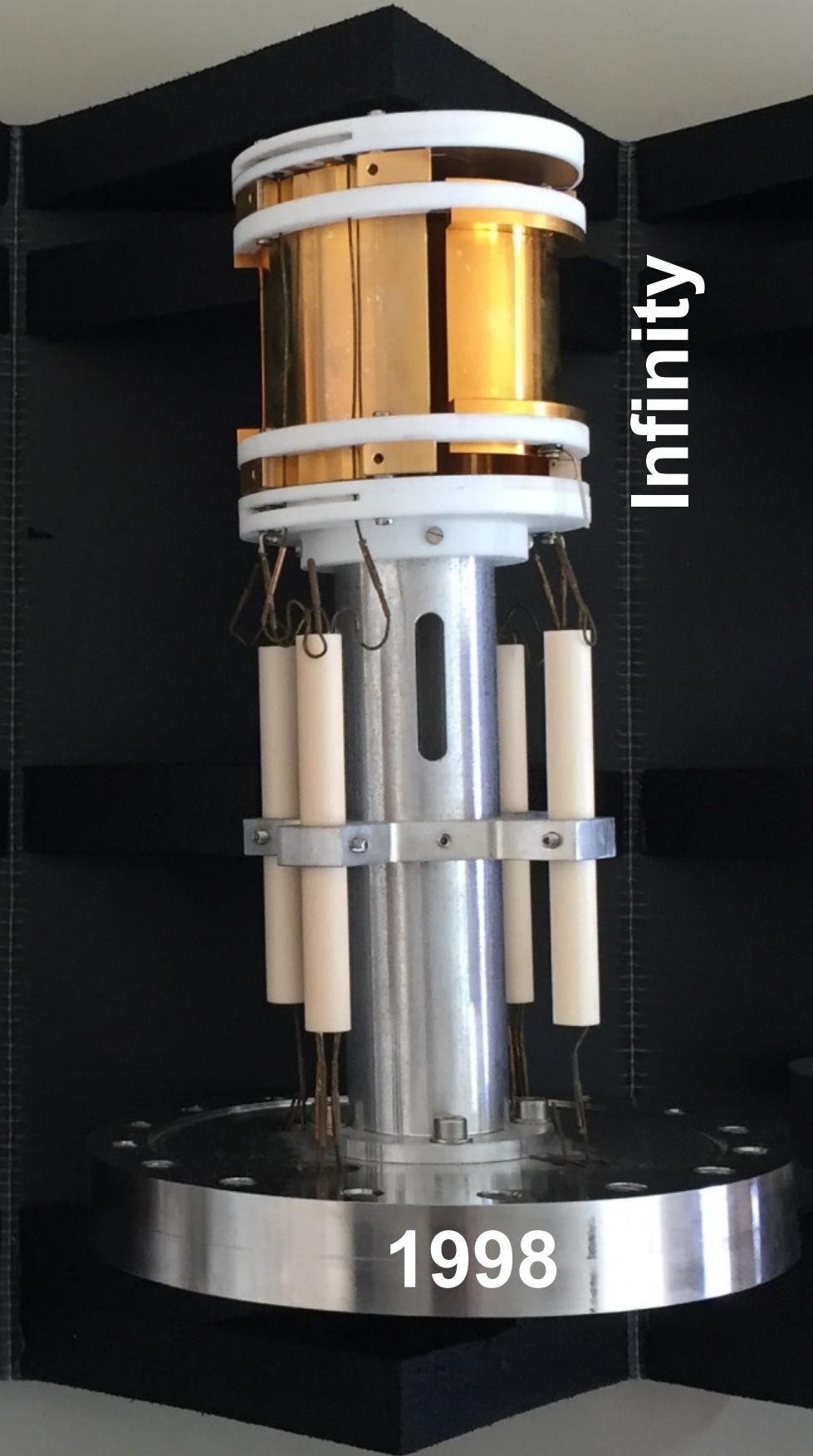
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ParaCell II

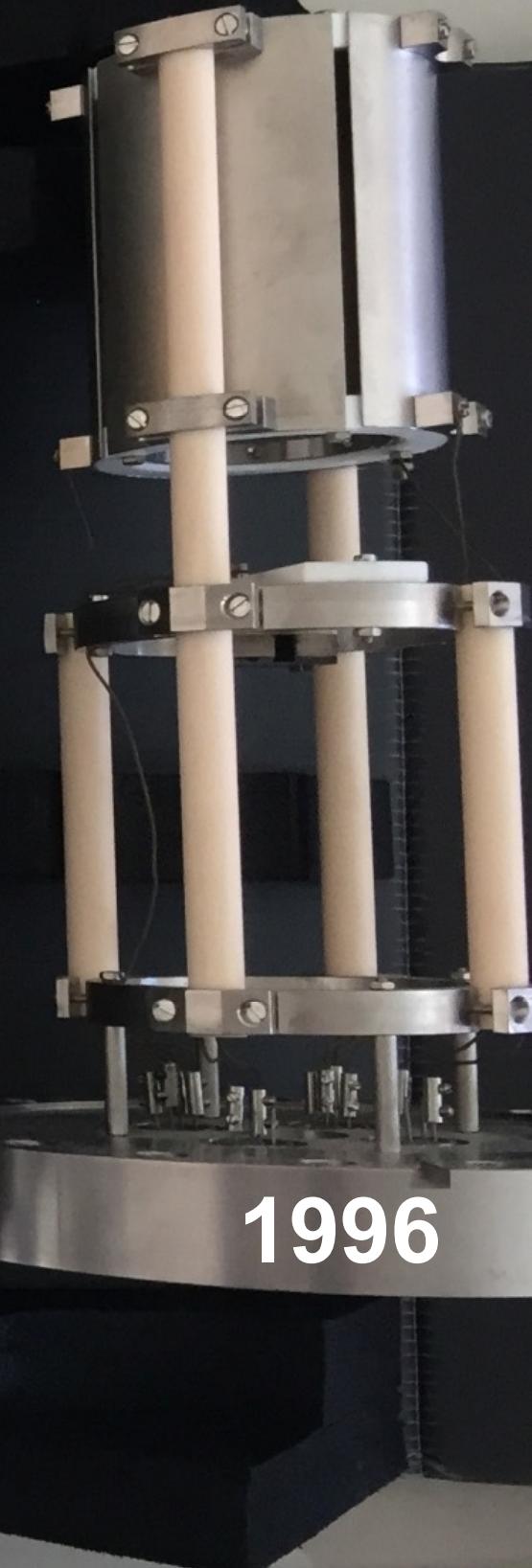


1998

Infinity



1996



Instrument Layout: scimaX

Ion cell

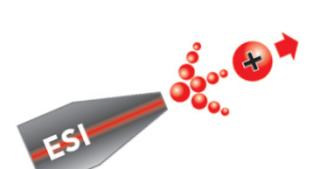
**Ion
guide**

**Ion
funnel**

Strong magnetic
field: **7 – 21 T**

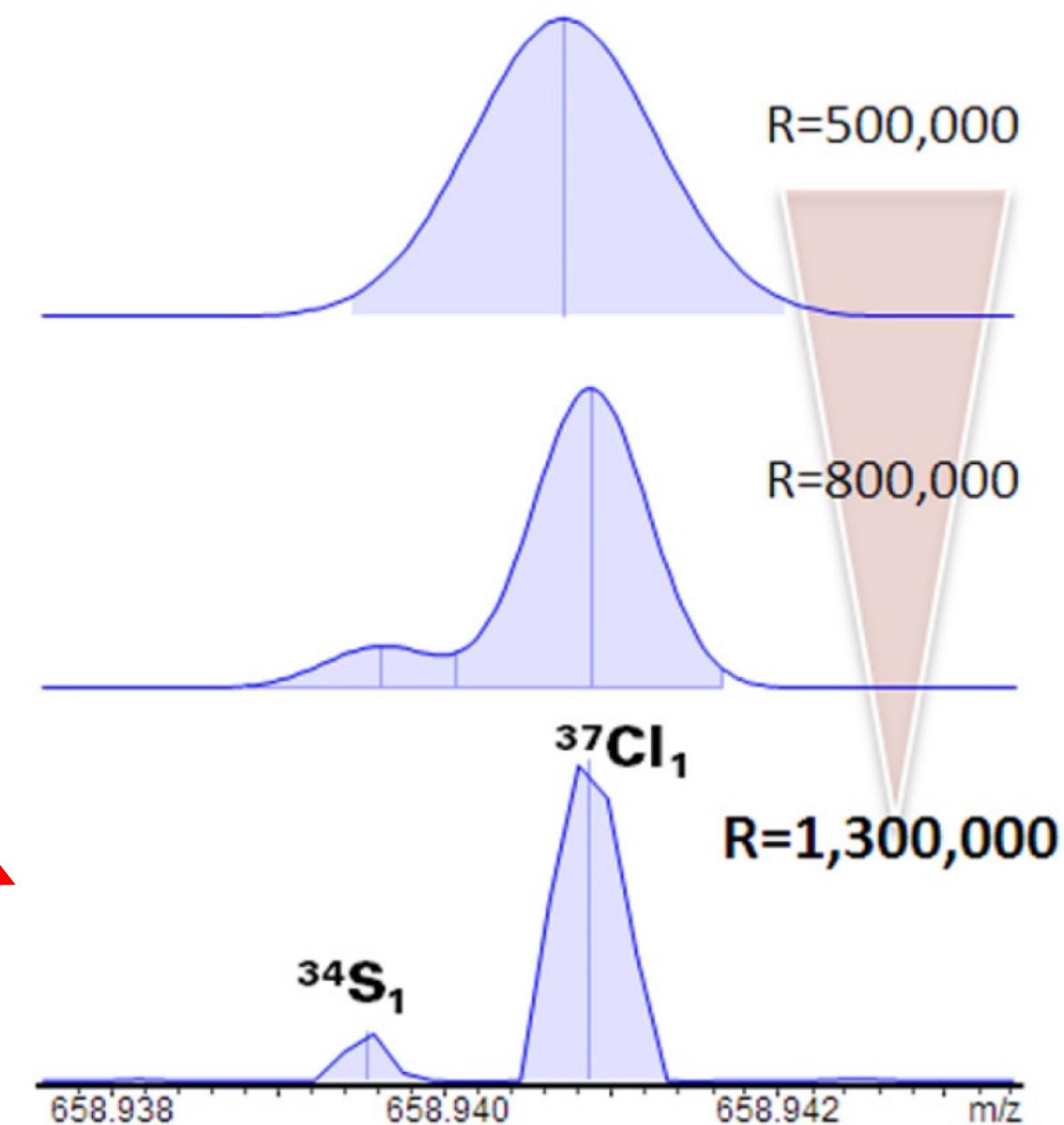
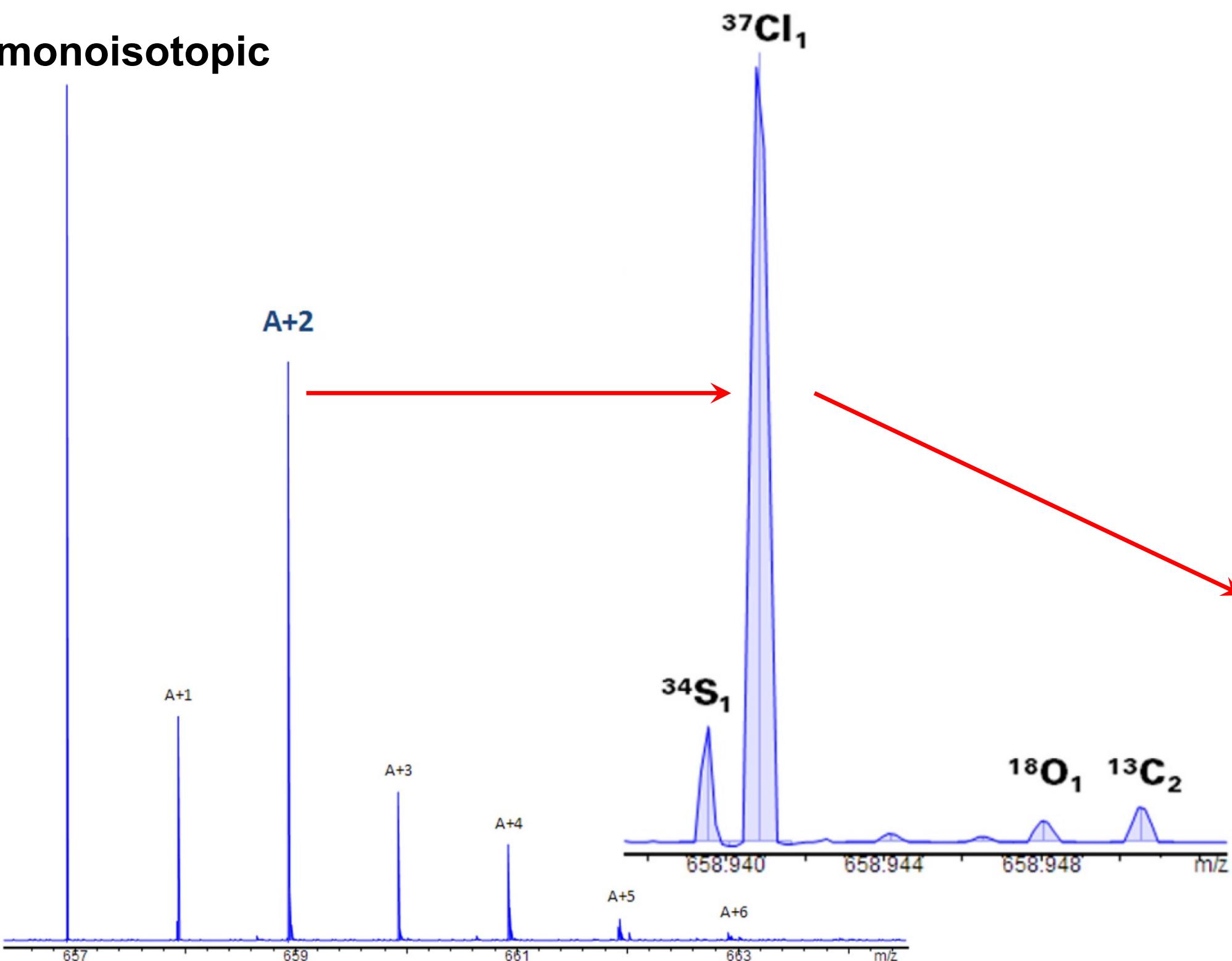
MALDI

**API ion
sources**



Isotopic Fine Structure (IFS): Elemental Composition

monoisotopic



**It would require > 4.5 s transient
on a Q Exactive HF – beyond
commercial configuration**

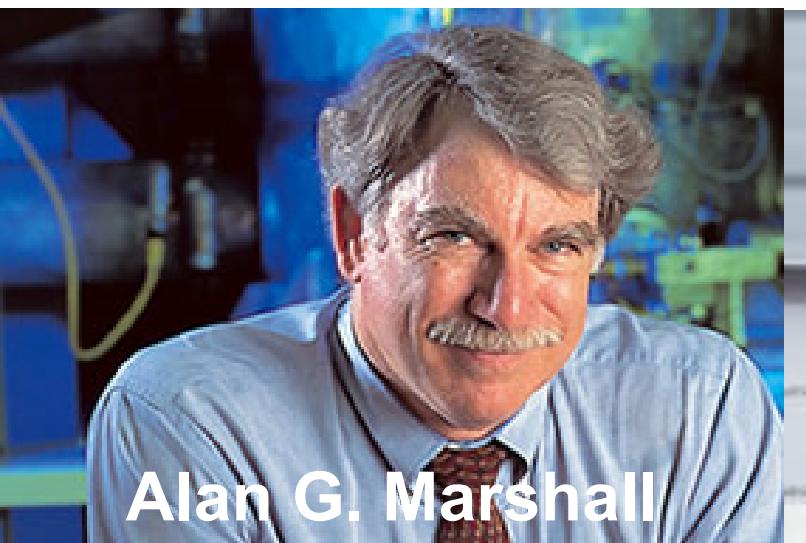
MRMS Instrument Specifications

	7T solariX	12T solariX	15T solariX	7T scimaX
Maximum resolving power	>10 M	>10 M	>10 M	>20 M
Mass accuracy (internal)	600 ppb	300 ppb	250 ppb	600 ppb
ESI ion source	yes	yes	yes	yes
MALDI ion source	optional	optional	optional	yes
ETD MS/MS	optional	optional	optional	yes
Detector	ParaCell XR or 2xR	ParaCell XR	ParaCell XR	ParaCell 2xR
Magnetic field	7 T	12 T	15 T	7 T cc
Annual cryogen fill	yes	yes	yes	no
Quench line required	yes	yes	yes	no

- 2xR: ion detection at the second **frequency multiple** (double frequency)
- “cc” magnet: “cryogen-free” magnet

Bruce et al., IJMS (2021) DOI: 10.1016/j.ijms.2021.116578

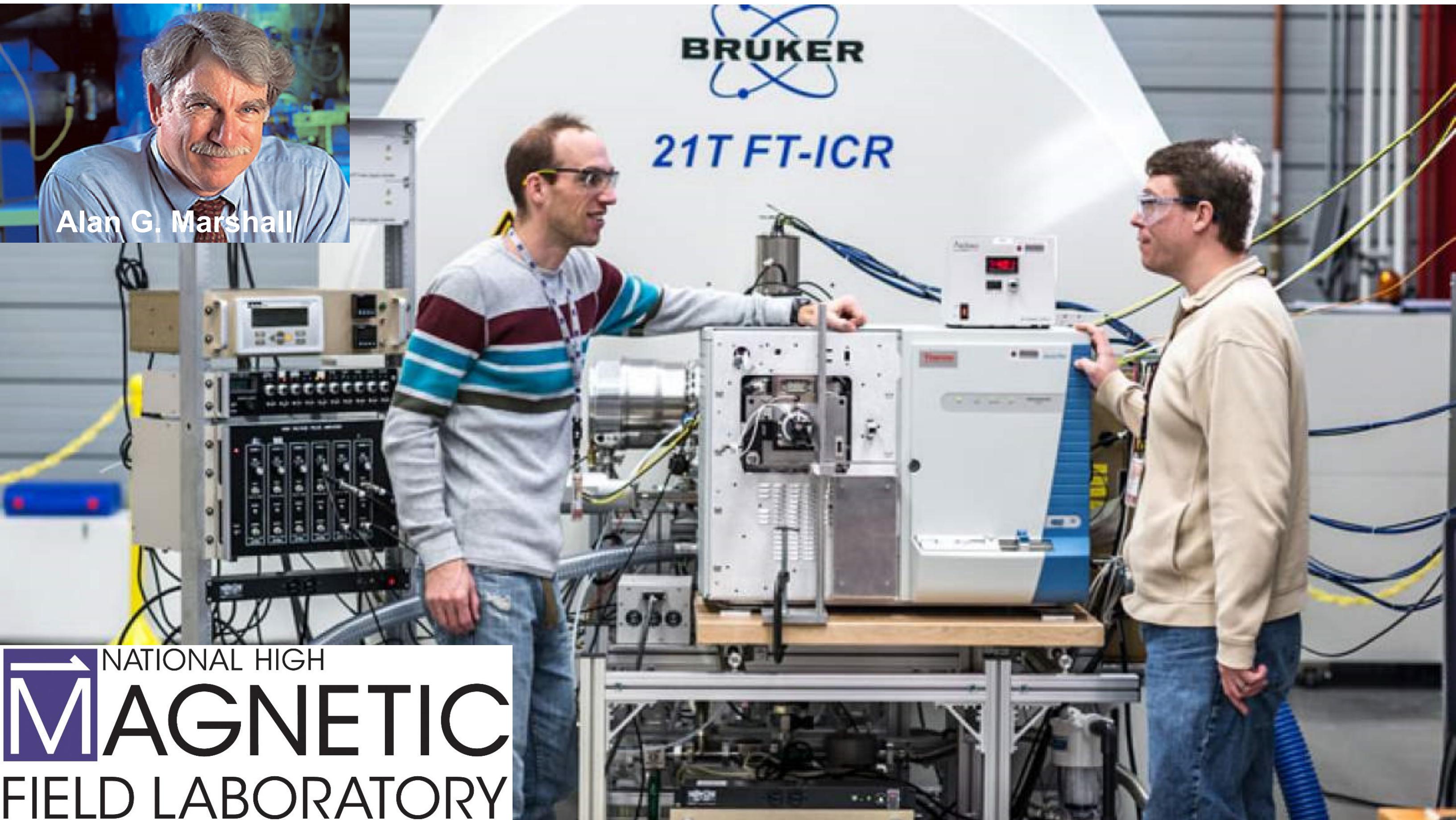
Nagornov et al., Anal. Chem. (2014) 86, 18, 9020-9028



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The Bruker logo, featuring a stylized blue atom symbol above the word "BRUKER".

21T FT-ICR



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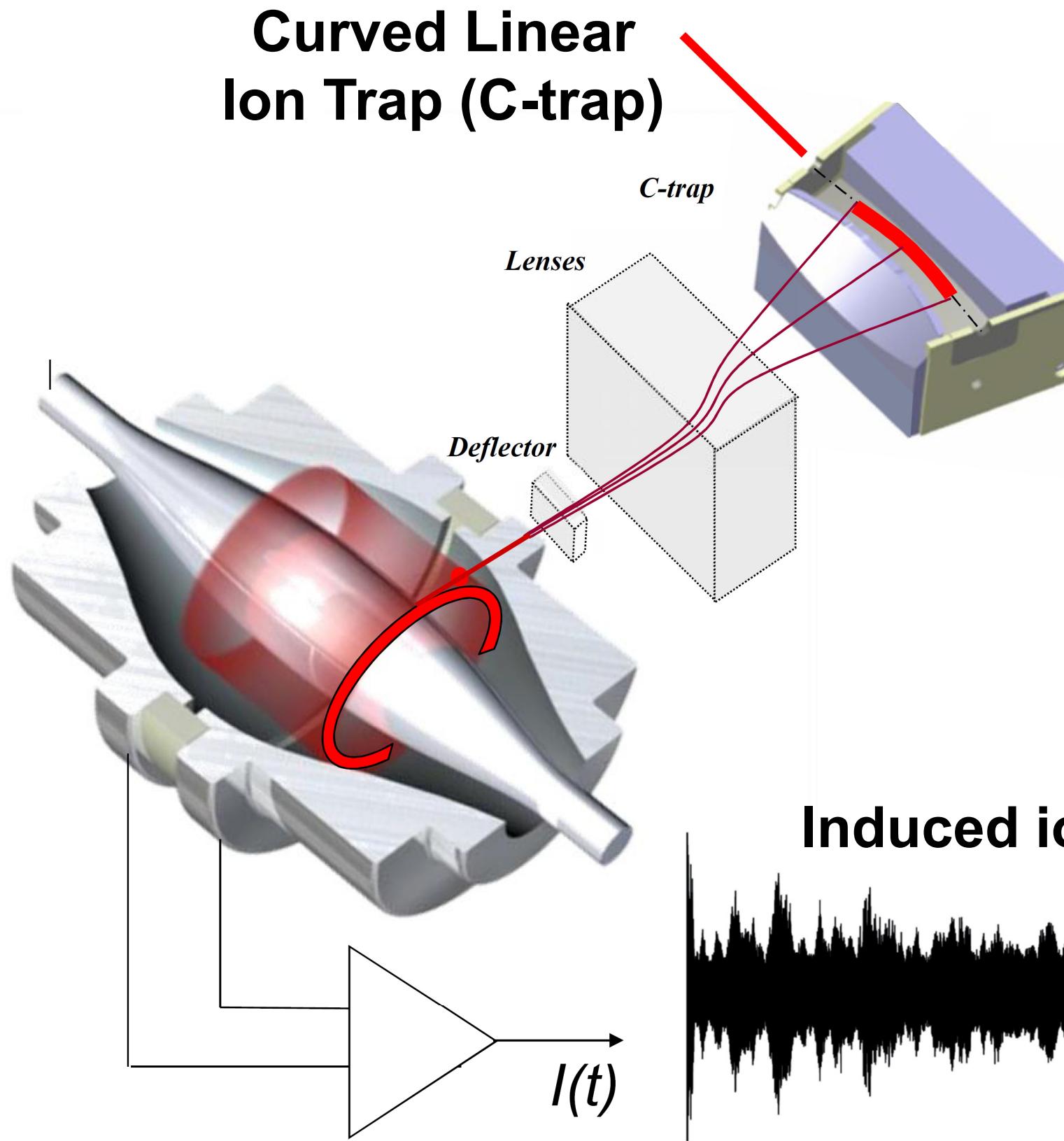
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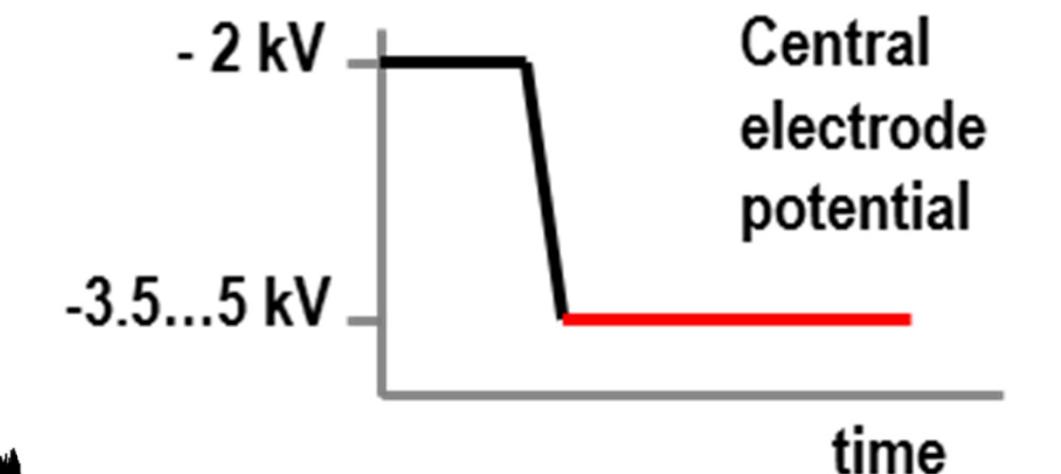
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Orbitrap Mass Analyzer and C-Trap: Solo or Duet?



1. External pulsed ion source
2. Electrodynamical squeezing: wide mass (m/z) range
3. Orbital trapping and oscillations
4. Induced ion current detection



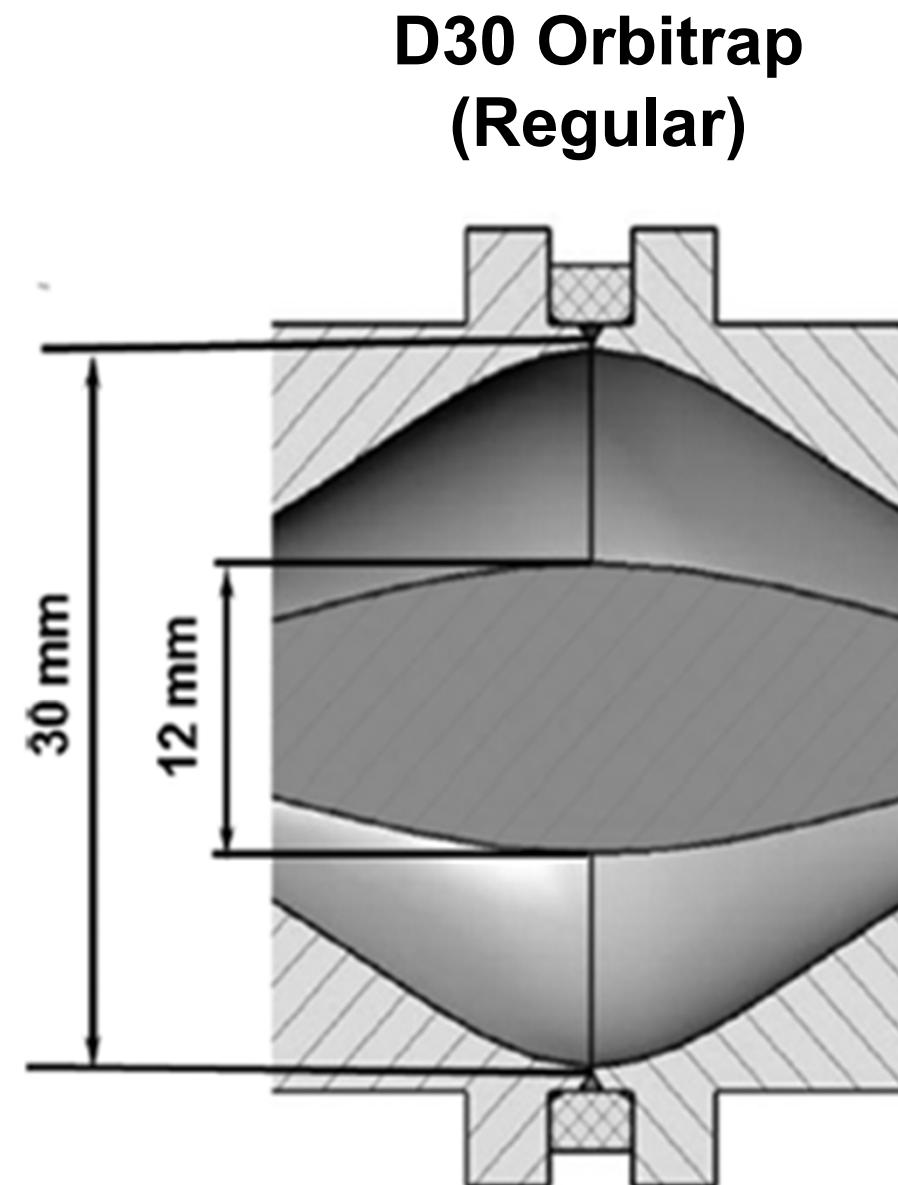
Zubarev & Makarov., Anal. Chem. (2013) 85, 5288

The Two Orbitrap Models: D30 and D20



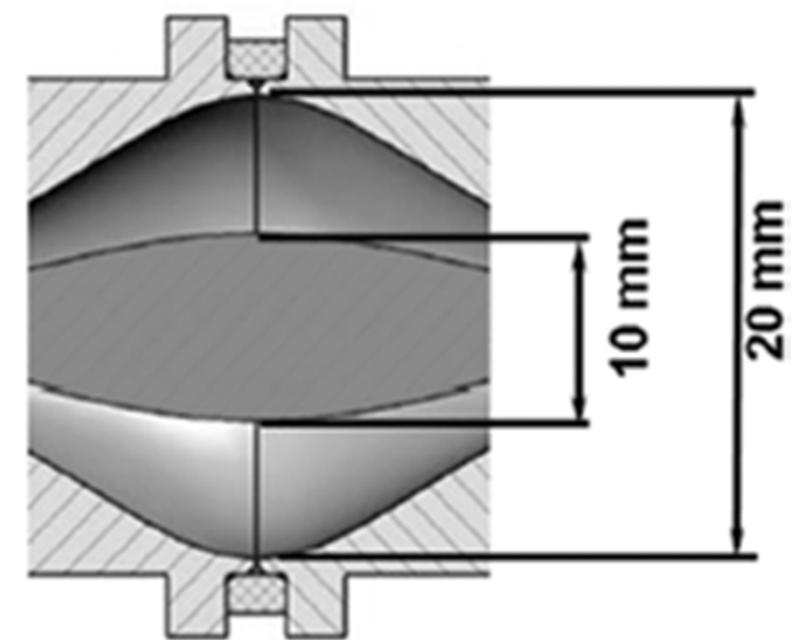
Alexander Makarov

Makarov, Anal. Chem. (2000) 72, 1156



3.5 kV; 5 kV

D20 Orbitrap
(Compact)



3.5 kV; 4 kV; 5 kV

Makarov et al., JASMS, (2009) 20, 1391-1396

Ion Oscillation Frequency in Orbitraps

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{e/u}{(m/z)} \cdot \frac{2 \cdot [V]}{R_m^2 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) - \frac{1}{2}[R_2^2 - R_1^2]}}$$

where e is the elementary charge, u is the unified atomic mass unit, V is the central electrode voltage, R_1 and R_2 are the circumscribed radius of the central electrode and the inscribed radius of the outer electrode in the central plane, respectively. The R_m is the characteristic radius, which is usually set close to $R_m = R_2\sqrt{2}$ in order to meet the ion trapping condition. For the regular, D30, Orbitrap geometry: $R_1 = 6 \text{ mm}$, $R_2 = 15 \text{ mm}$, $R_m = 21.2 \text{ mm}$, and thus $\ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) = 0.91$. Corresponding scaling down in size for the compact, D20, Orbitrap results in the

following parameters: $R_1 = 5 \text{ mm}$, $R_2 = 10 \text{ mm}$, $R_m = 14.1 \text{ mm}$, and thus $\ln\left(\frac{R_2}{R_1}\right) = 0.69$.

- **What is k ?** $\omega \approx \sqrt{\frac{k}{m/z}}$

Makarov, A., Denisov, E., Lange, O., JASMS, 20 (2009) 1391-1396
 Tsybin et al. "Advanced FTMS Fundamentals", Chapter 5

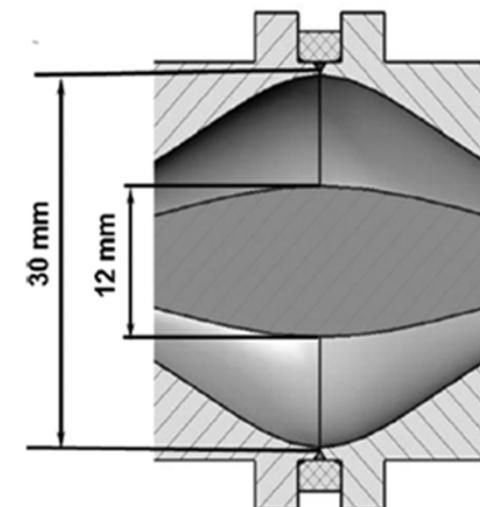
Regular (D30) vs. Compact (D20) Orbitrap

For signals at the equal frequencies:

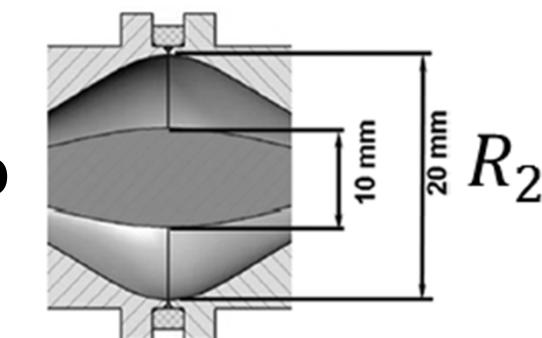
$$\frac{(m/z)_{D20}}{(m/z)_{D30}} = \frac{\left(R_m^2 \cdot \ln \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} [R_2^2 - R_1^2] \right)_{D30}}{\left(R_m^2 \cdot \ln \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} [R_2^2 - R_1^2] \right)_{D20}} = 3.1$$

$$R_m = R_2 \sqrt{2}$$

D30 Orbitrap



D20 Orbitrap



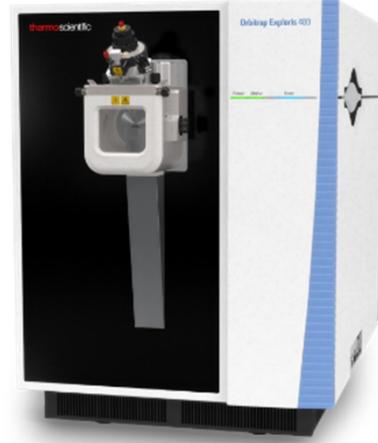
Orbitrap Technology Concepts

1. Ion Excitation by Injection (electrodynamic squeezing)
2. Maximum injection time (**ITmax**)
3. Automatic Gain Control (**AGC**)
4. Normalized level (**NL**)
5. Enhanced Fourier transform (**eFT**)
6. Parallel ion detection and accumulation/fragmentation
7. Microscans: transient averaging
8. Scans: spectral averaging
9. Mass spectra: full & reduced profile, centroids



How Many Orbitraps Are Out There?

Exploris 480



Lumos



Exploris 240



Q Exactive
Q Exactive HF

ThermoFisher
SCIENTIFIC



LTQ Orbitrap XL

LTQ Orbitrap Velos

LTQ Orbitrap Elite



Exploris 120



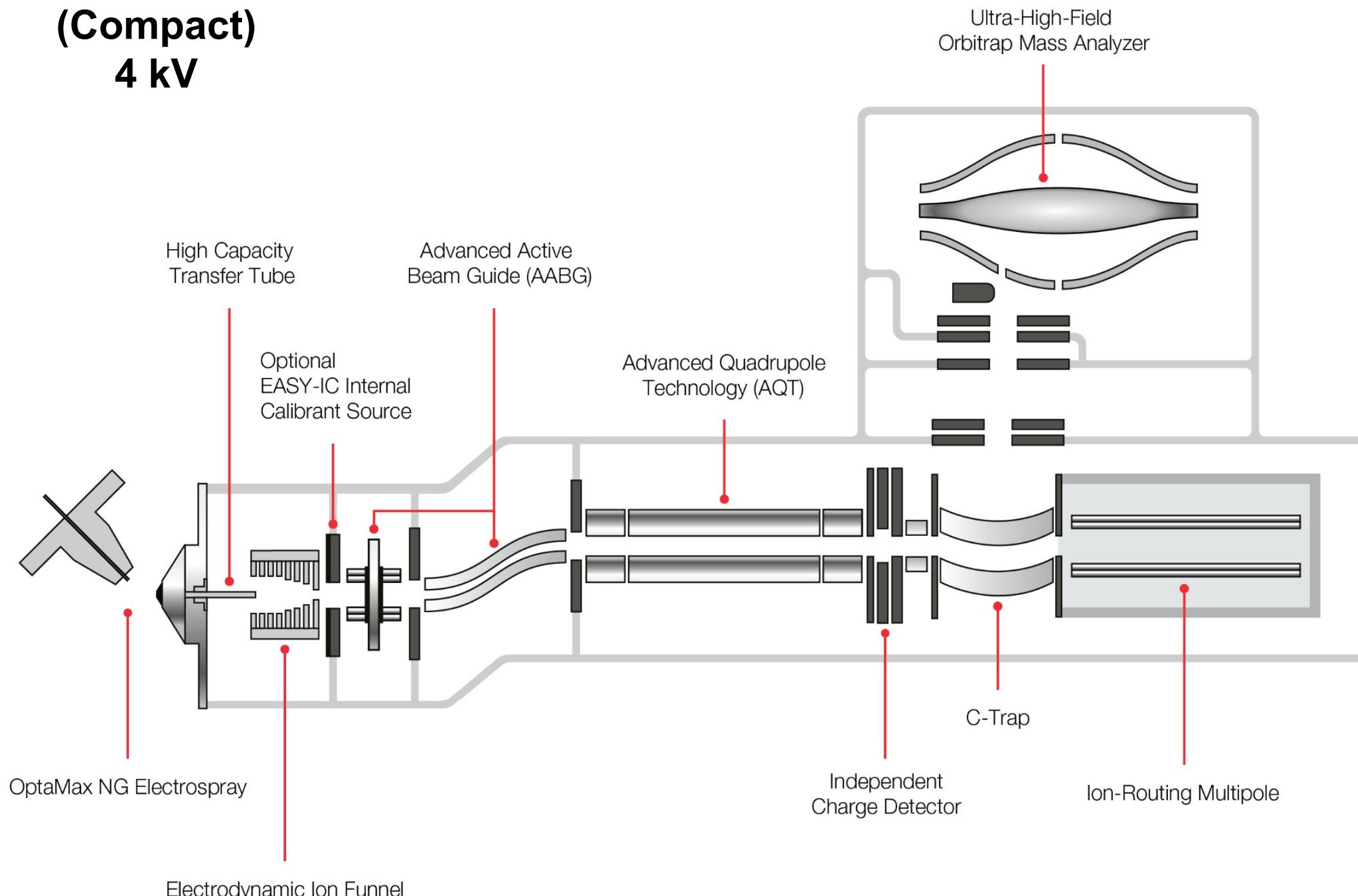
Eclipse

Orbitrap Models: D30 and D20

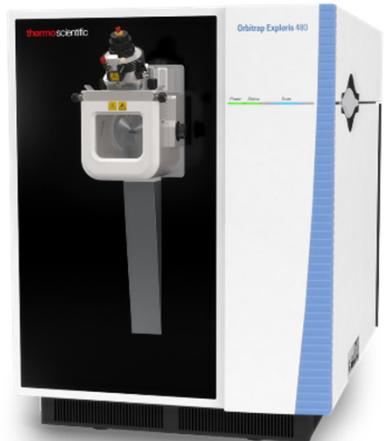


Hybrid Orbitrap: Exploris

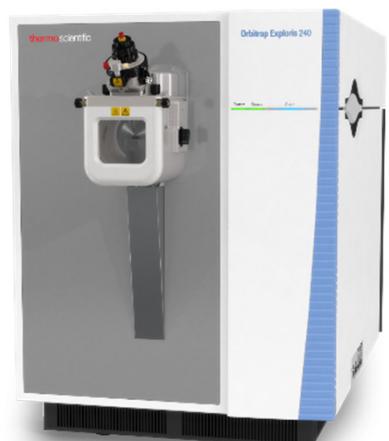
**D20 Orbitrap
(Compact)
4 kV**



480



240

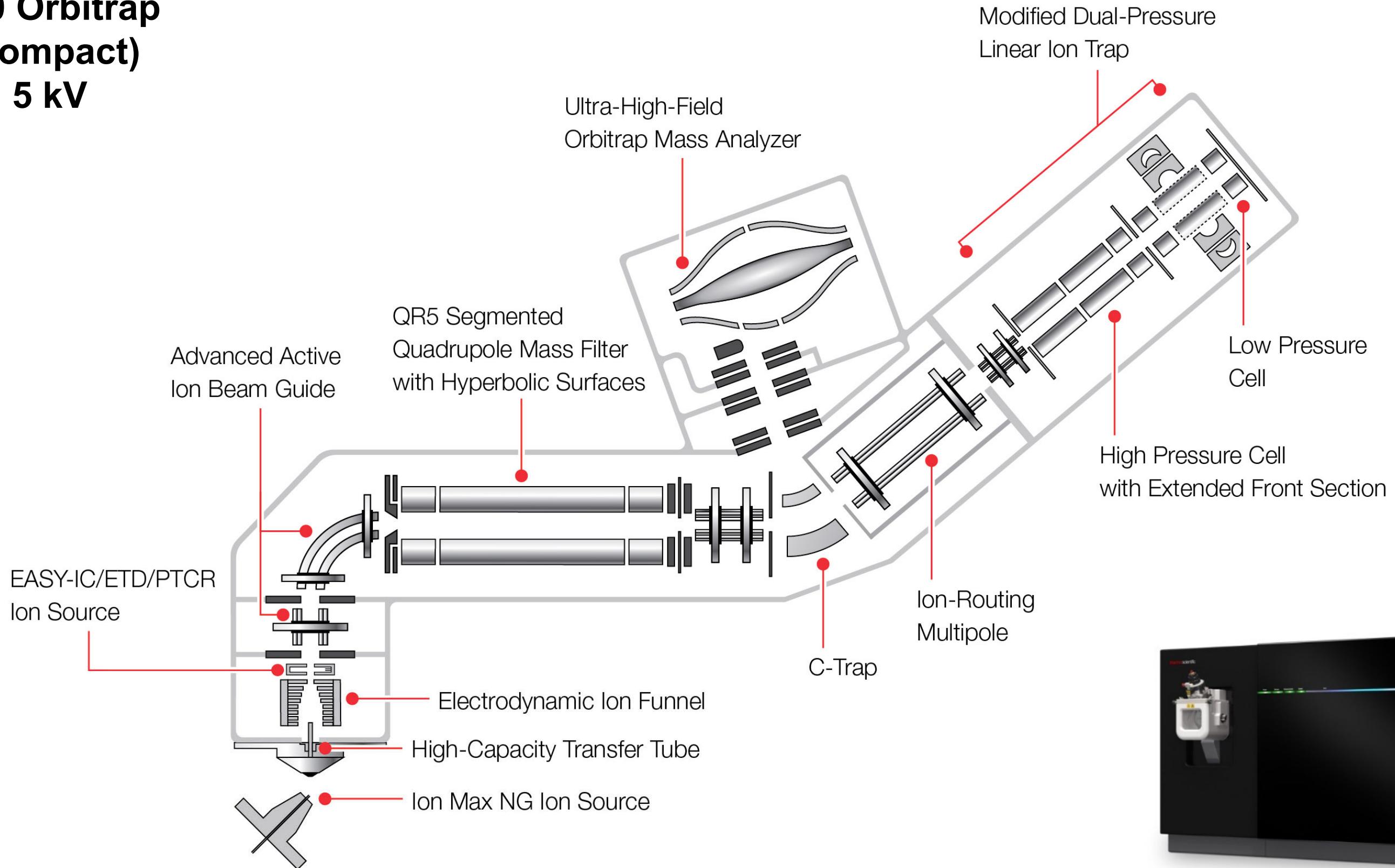


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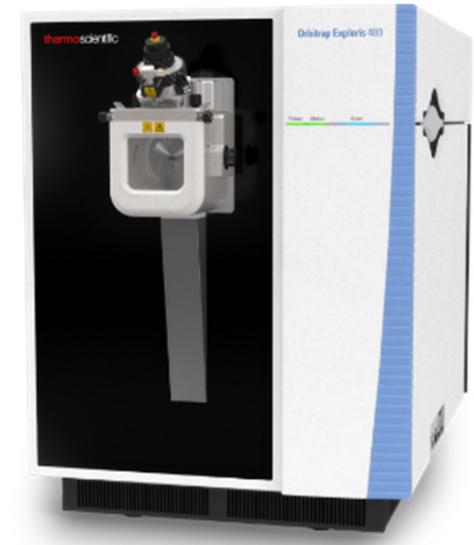
Tribrid Orbitrap: Eclipse

**D20 Orbitrap
(Compact)
5 kV**



Orbitrap Figures of Merit: 2021

Analytical Characteristic	Orbitrap Model	
	Exploris 480 (QE)	Eclipse (Fusion)
Mass range	m/z 40-6000	m/z 50-2000
Frequencies	2 MHz – 168 kHz	2 MHz – 325 kHz
Spindel potential	4 kV	5 kV
Extended range	up to 8000 m/z with BioPharma option	
Resolution	7500 to 480,000 (500,000) at m/z 200	
Transients	from 16 ms to 1 second	
Ultra-high Res	(with external DAQ)	1 million @ m/z 200
Scan speed	up to 40 Hz at resolution 7500 at m/z 200	
Dynamic range	>5000 within a single OT mass spectrum	
Mass accuracy	<3 ppm RMS using external calibration <1 ppm RMS using internal calibration	



FTMS: Fundamentals and Data Processing

I. FTMS Fundamentals: General

II. FT-ICR MS / MRMS: Principles of Operation

III. Orbitrap FTMS: Principles of Operation

IV. FTMS Data Processing

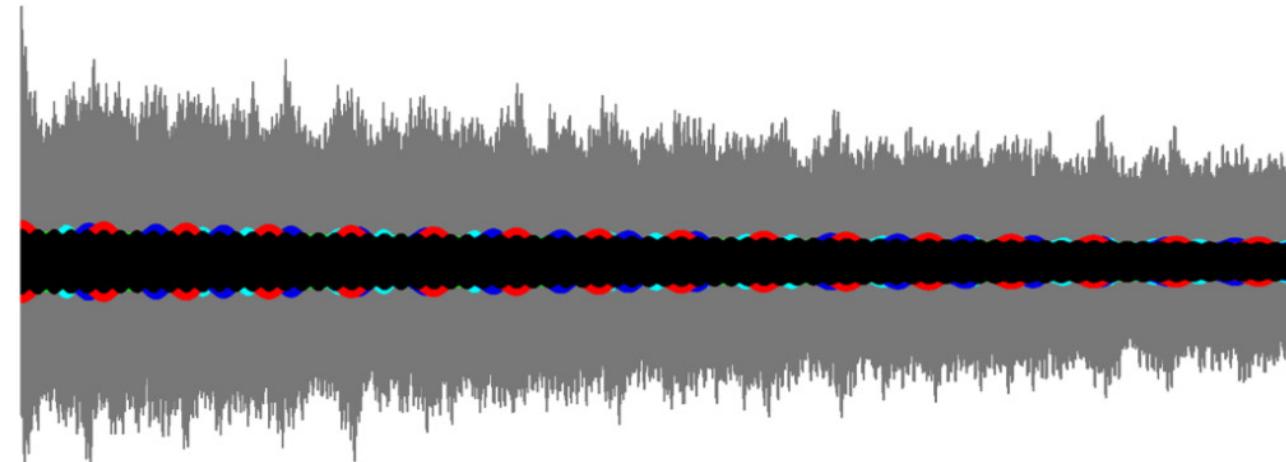
FTMS Quiz: <http://spectroswiss.ch/quiz/>

FTMS Working Problems March 2021 updated

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FTMS Working Problems

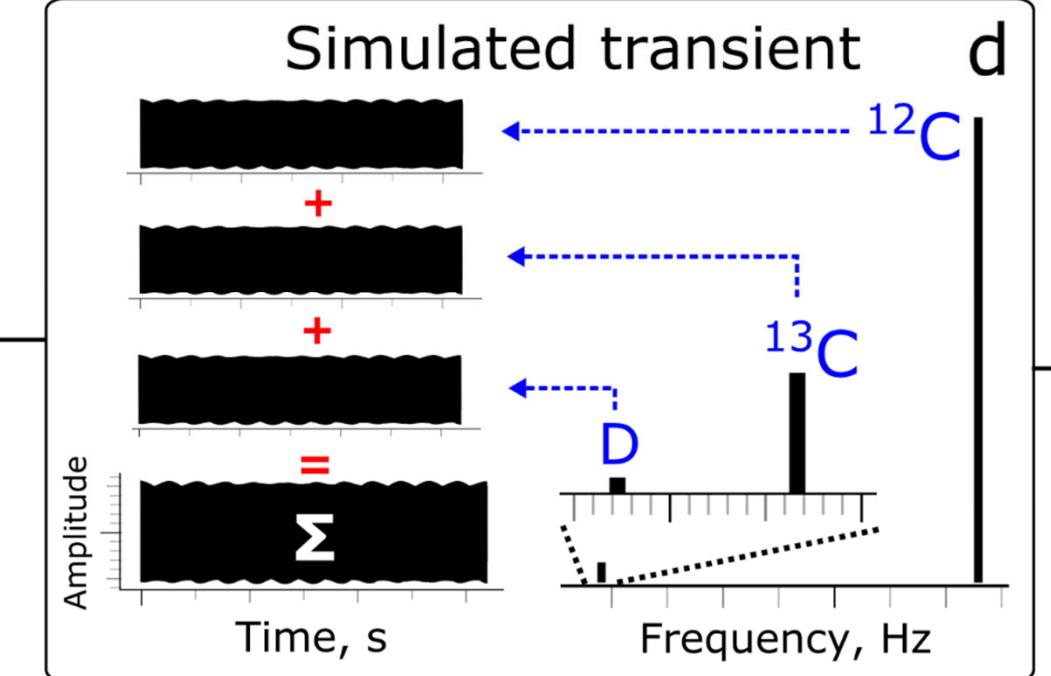
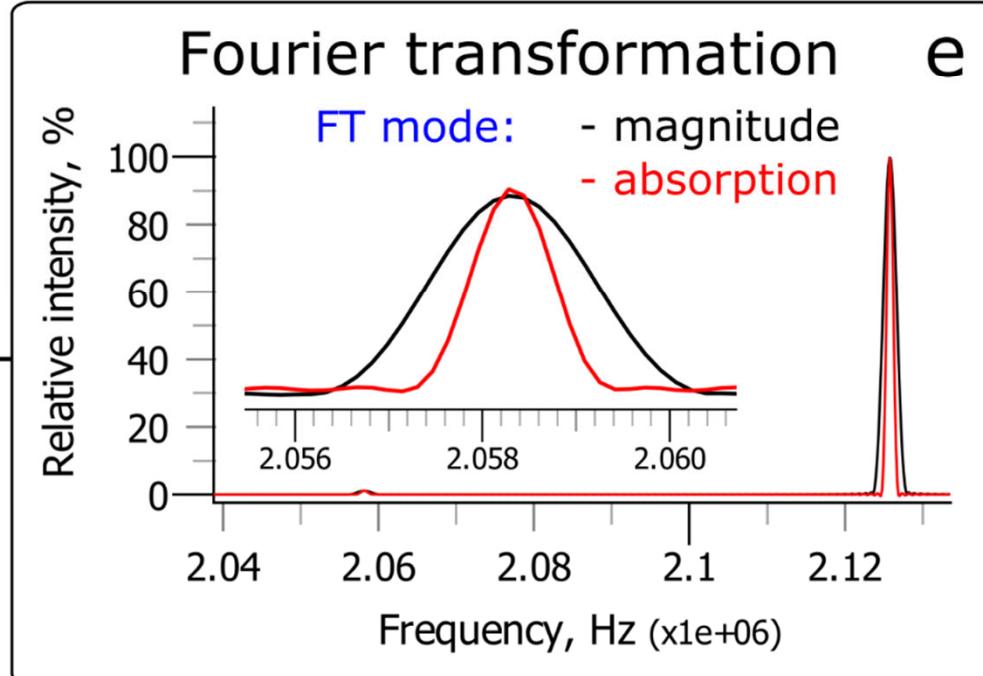
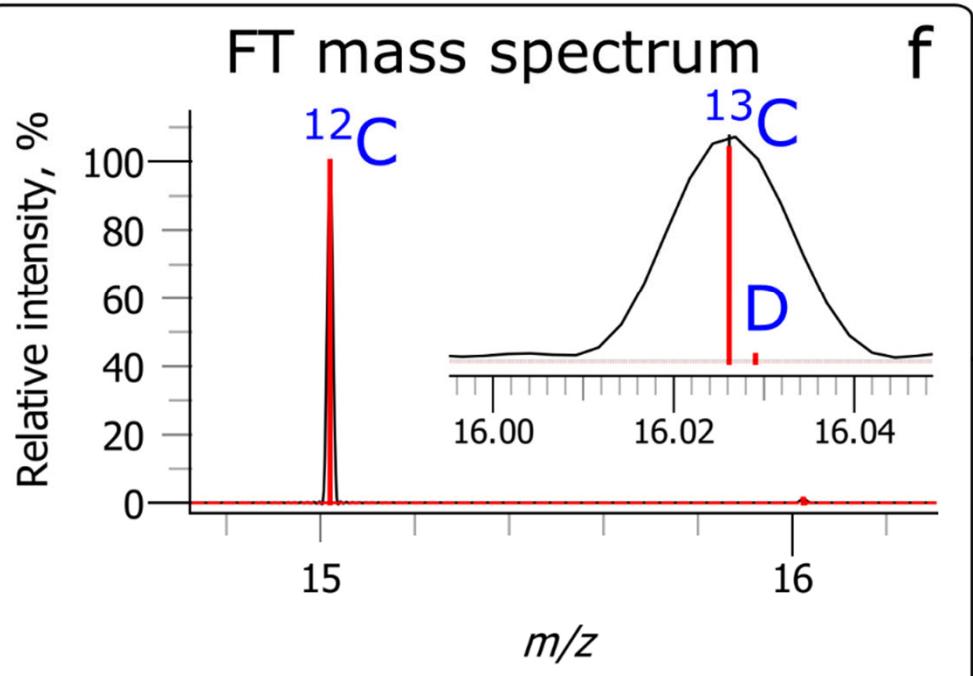
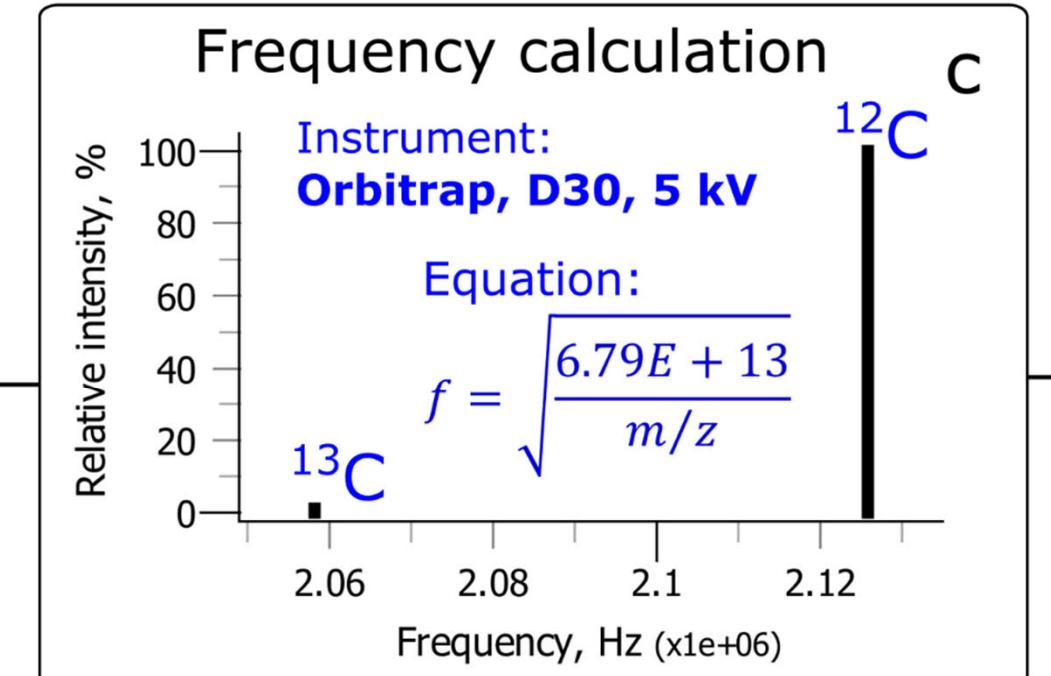
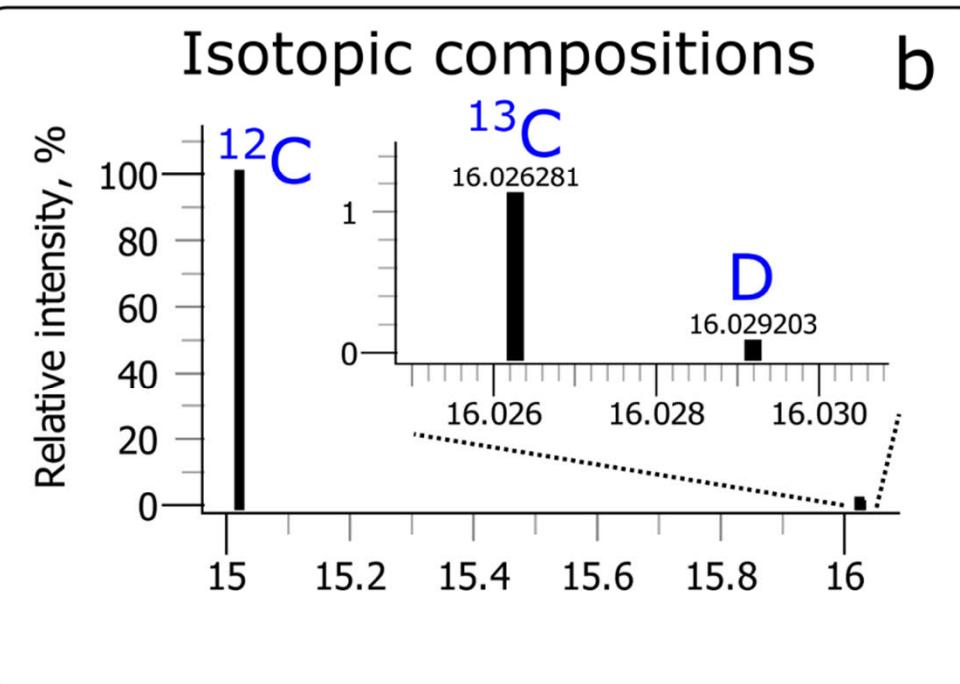


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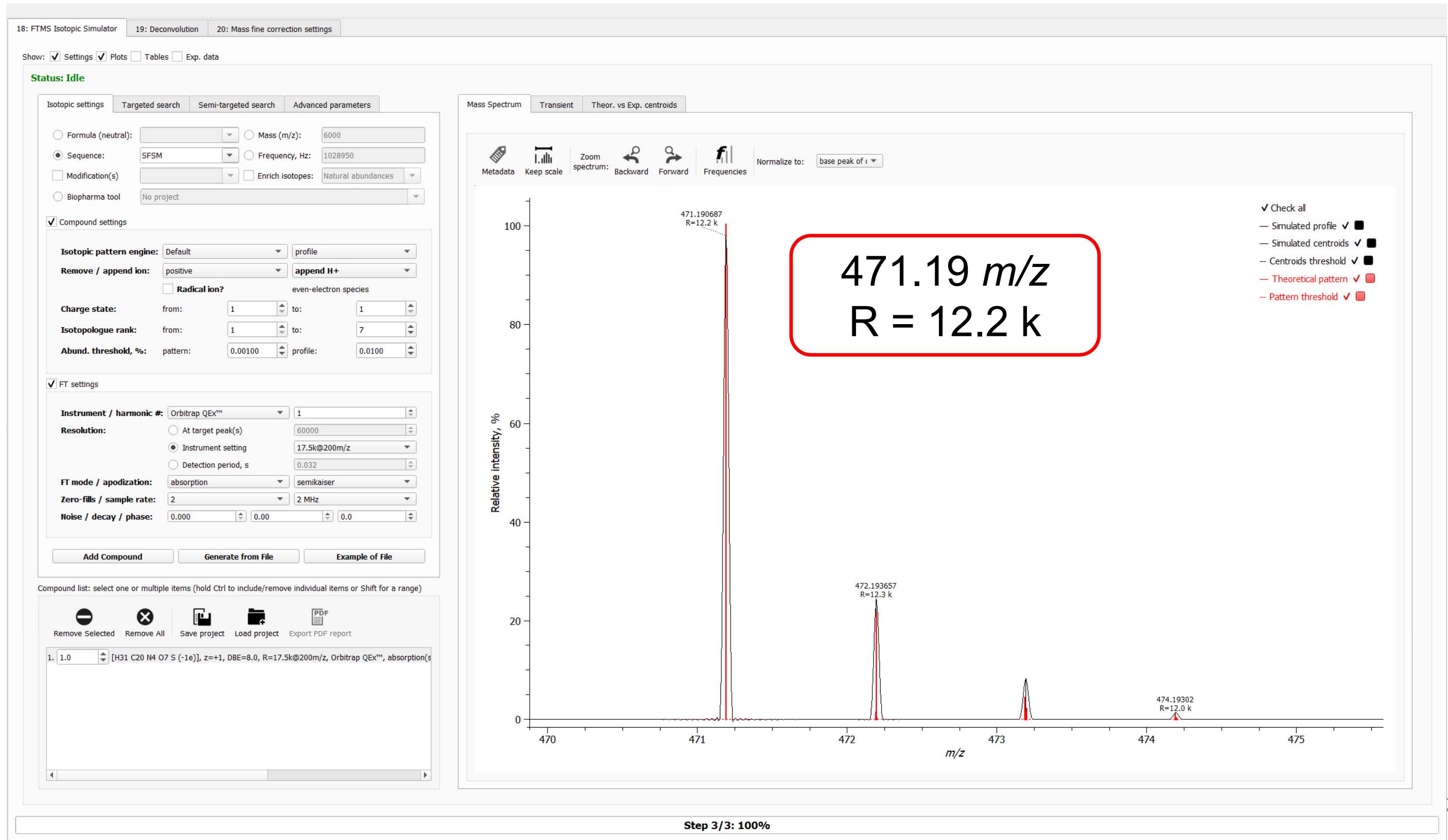
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FTMS Data Processing: Step by Step

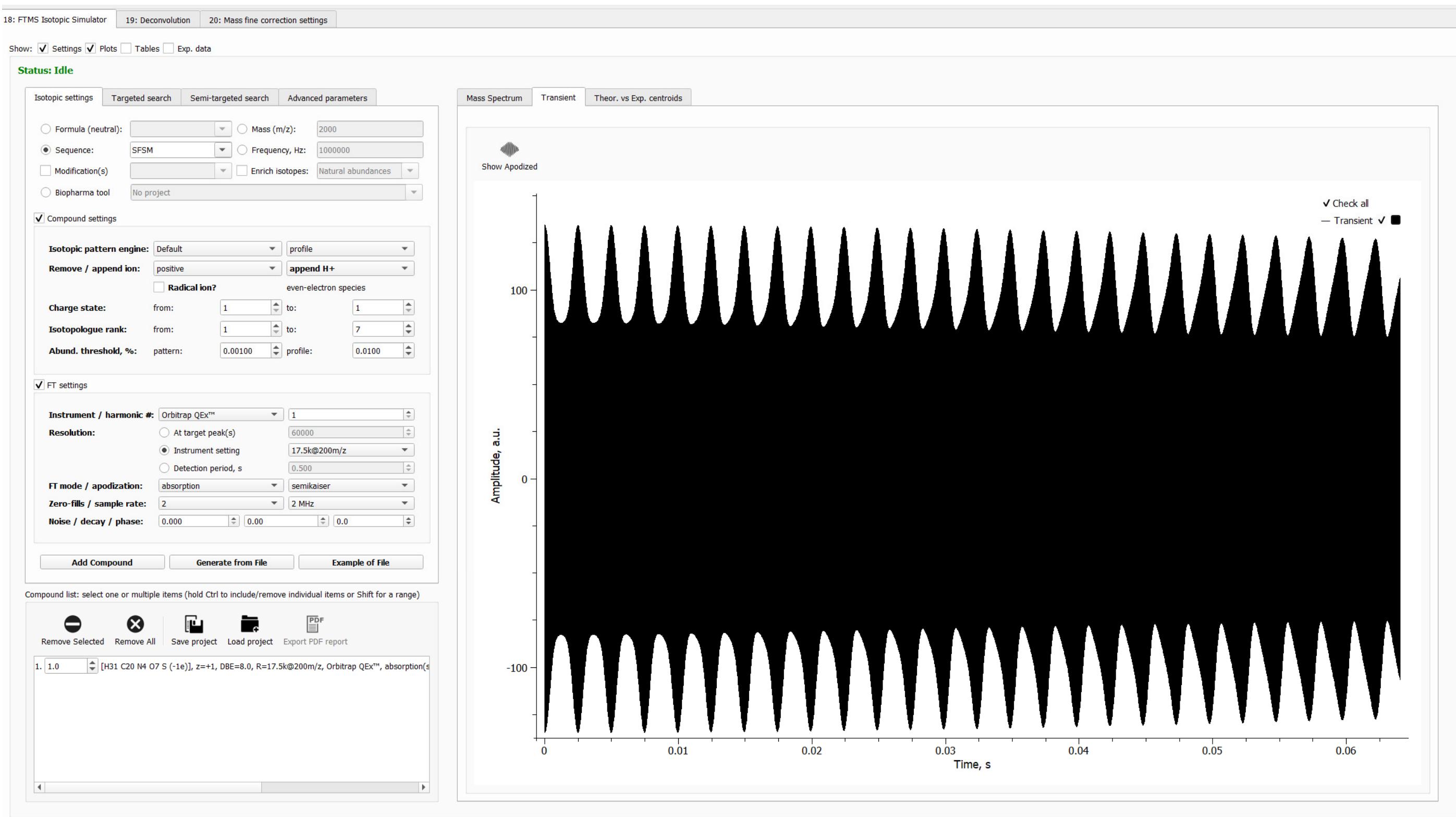
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 CH_3
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positive radical, CH_3^+ .
 Isotopologue rank:
1 - 2,
relative intensity threshold



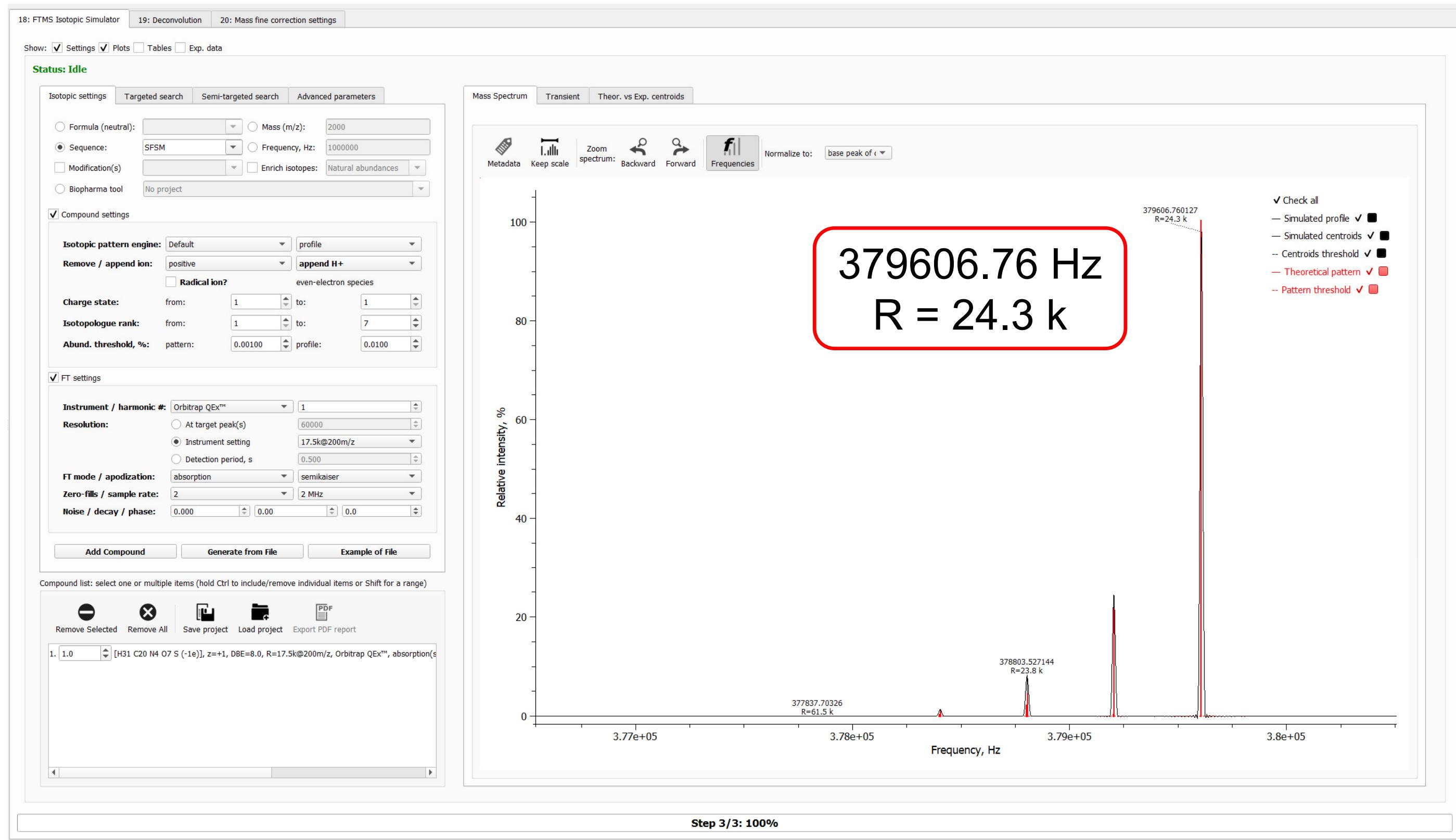
FTMS Isotopic Simulator: SFSM Peptide Analysis



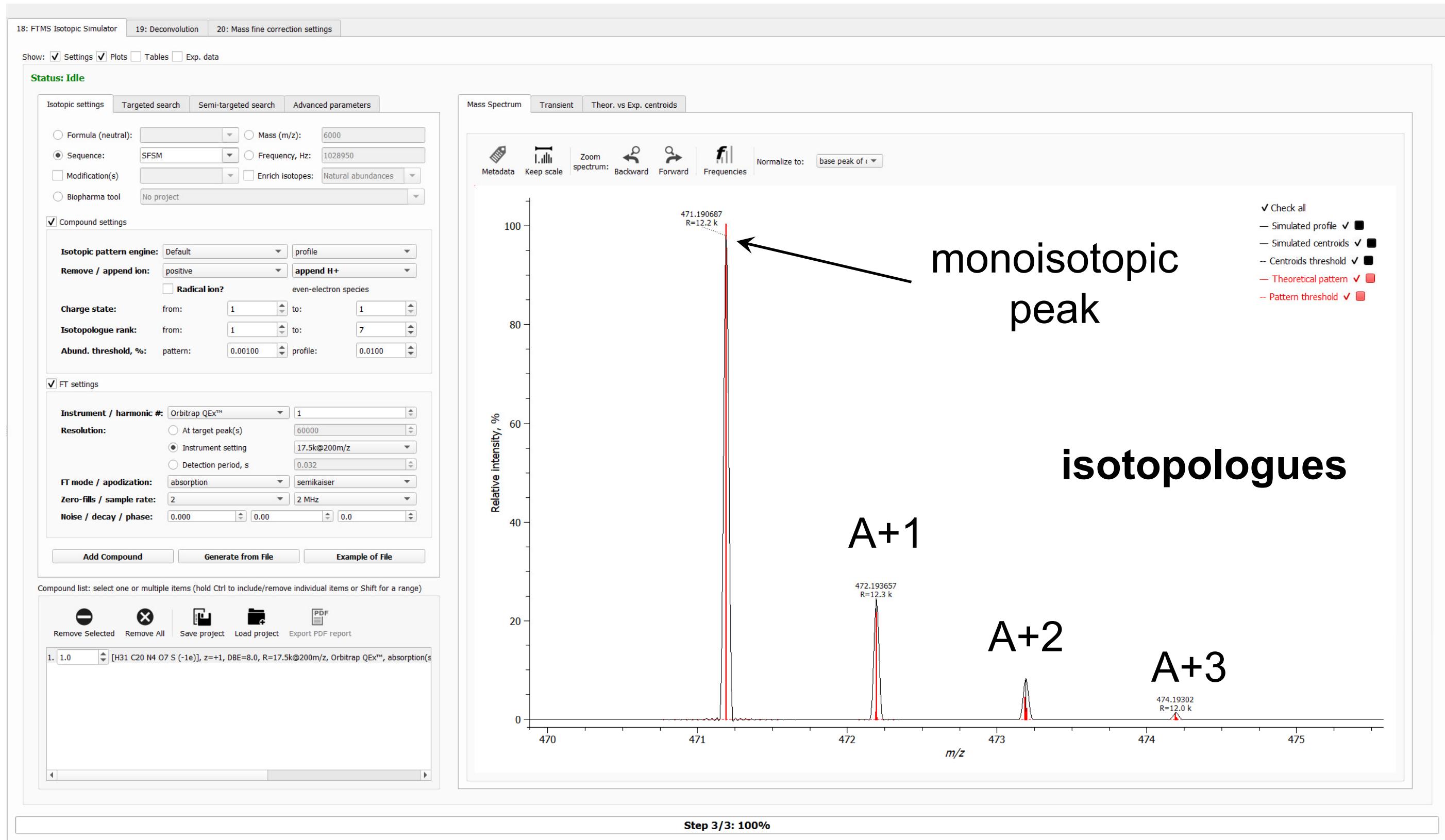
SFSM peptide analysis with FTMS: transient



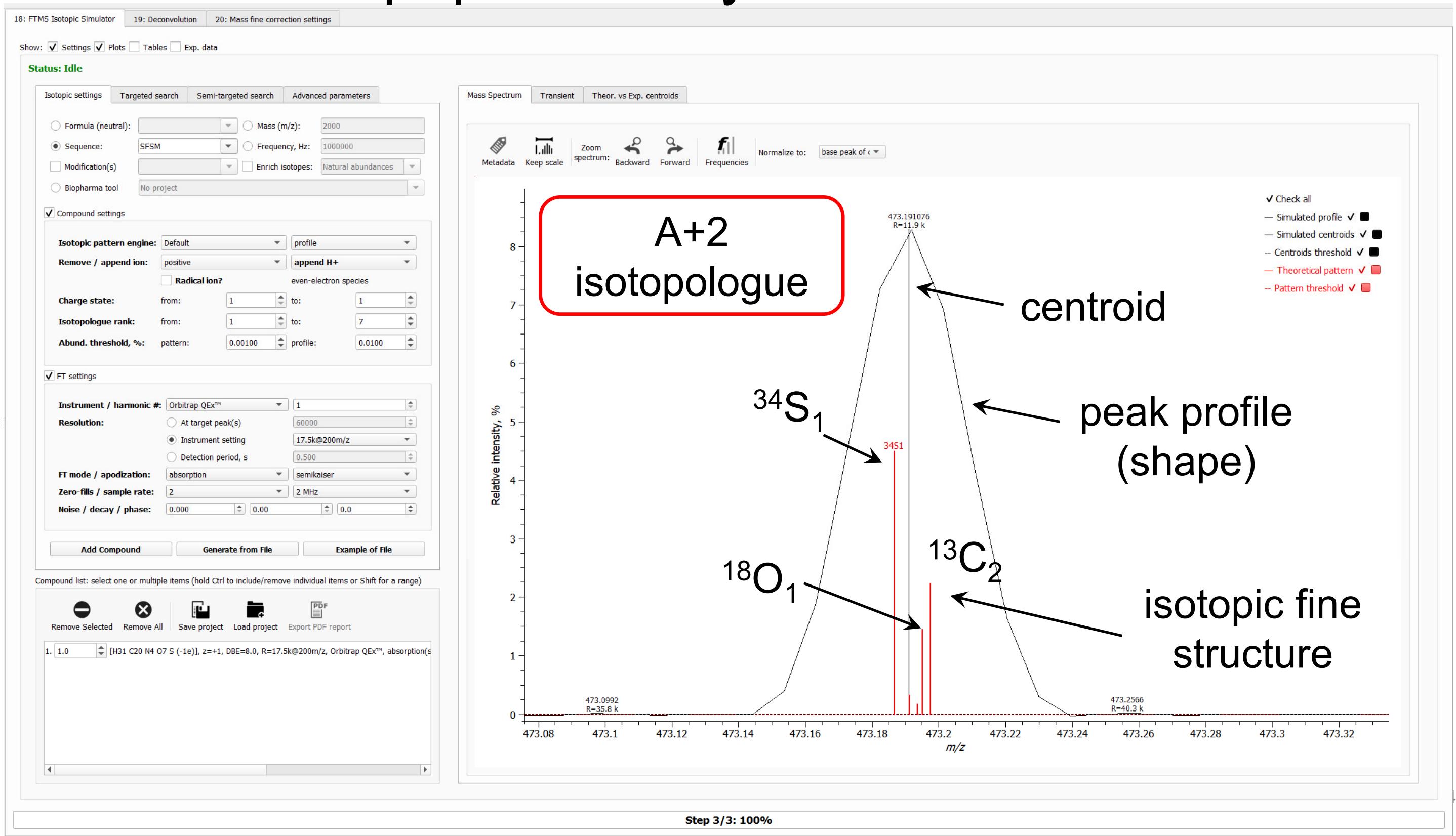
SFSM peptide analysis with FTMS: frequency



SFSM peptide analysis with FTMS: m/z



SFSM peptide analysis with FTMS: m/z



Isotopic settings Targeted search Semi-targeted search Advanced parameters

Formula (neutral): Mass (m/z):
 Sequence: Frequency, Hz:
 Modification(s) Enrich isotopes:
 Biopharma tool

Compound settings

Isotopic pattern engine: Default profile
Remove / append ion: positive append H+
 Radical ion? even-electron species
Charge state: from: to:
Isotopologue rank: from: to:
Abund. threshold, %: pattern: profile:

FT settings

Instrument / harmonic #: Orbitrap QEx™ 1
Resolution: At target peak(s) 60000
 Instrument setting 17.5k@200m/z
 Detection period, s 0.032
FT mode / apodization: absorption semikaiser
Zero-fills / sample rate: 2 2 MHz
Noise / decay / phase: 0.000 0.00 0.0

[Add Compound](#) [Generate from File](#) [Example of File](#)

Compound list: select one or multiple items (hold Ctrl to include/remove individual items or Shift for a range)

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1. 1.0 [H31 C20 N4 O7 S (-1e)], z=+1, DBE=8.0, R=17.5k@200m/z, Orbitrap QEx™, absorption(s)

Compound definition:

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- amino acid sequence
- mass (m/z) or frequency value

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- Noise (added to the transient): noise amplitude
- Decay rate: ion signal decay rate in a transient, e^{-(decay rate)}
- Phase: initial phase (angle) of ion detection in a transient

FT Processing Settings: Frequency

FT settings

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1

Resolution:

At target peak(s)

60000

Instrument setting

17.5k@20

Detection period, s

0.032

FT mode / apodization:

absorption

semikaise

Zero-fills / sample rate:

2

2 MHz

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0.000

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- LTQ-FT 7T™
- LTQ-FT 21T
- FT-ICR 7T
- FT-ICR 9.4T
- FT-ICR 10T
- FT-ICR 12T
- FT-ICR 15T
- Orbitrap Classic™
- Orbitrap XL™
- Orbitrap Velos™
- Orbitrap Elite™
- Orbitrap QEx™
- Orbitrap QExF™
- Orbitrap QExUHMR™
- Orbitrap Exploris™
- Orbitrap QExHF™
- Orbitrap Fusion™

Orbitrap models: <https://planetorbitrap.com/>

FT Processing Settings: Resolution

- Orbitrap resolution settings are typically estimated at m/z 200 (eFT mode)
- The original LTQ Orbitrap models estimate resolution at m/z 400 (mFT or eFT)

✓ FT settings

Instrument / harmonic #:

Orbitrap QEx™

1

Resolution:

At target peak(s)

60000

Instrument setting

17.5k@200m/z

Detection period, s

35k@200m/z

FT mode / apodization:

absorption

70k@200m/z

Zero-fills / sample rate:

2

140k@200m/z

Noise / decay / phase:

0.000

0.00

280k@200m/z

Resolution = f (transient period)

Transient length, ms	Resolution @ 200 m/z (eFT mass spectra, 5 kV potential)		
	Q Exactive (Plus, Focus, UHMR): D30	Q Exactive HF (GC): D20	Fusion (Lumos, ID-X, Eclipse): D20
16	-	7,500 (only Exploris)	7,500 (only Eclipse)
32	-	15,000	15,000
64	17,500	30,000	30,000
128	35,000	60,000	60,000
256	70,000	120,000	120,000
512	140,000	240,000	240,000
1,024	280,000 (only QEx+)	480,000 (only Exploris)	500,000
2,048	-	-	1000,000 (only 1M)

$$R \approx f \cdot T$$

$$f_{\text{Orbitrap}} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m/z}}$$

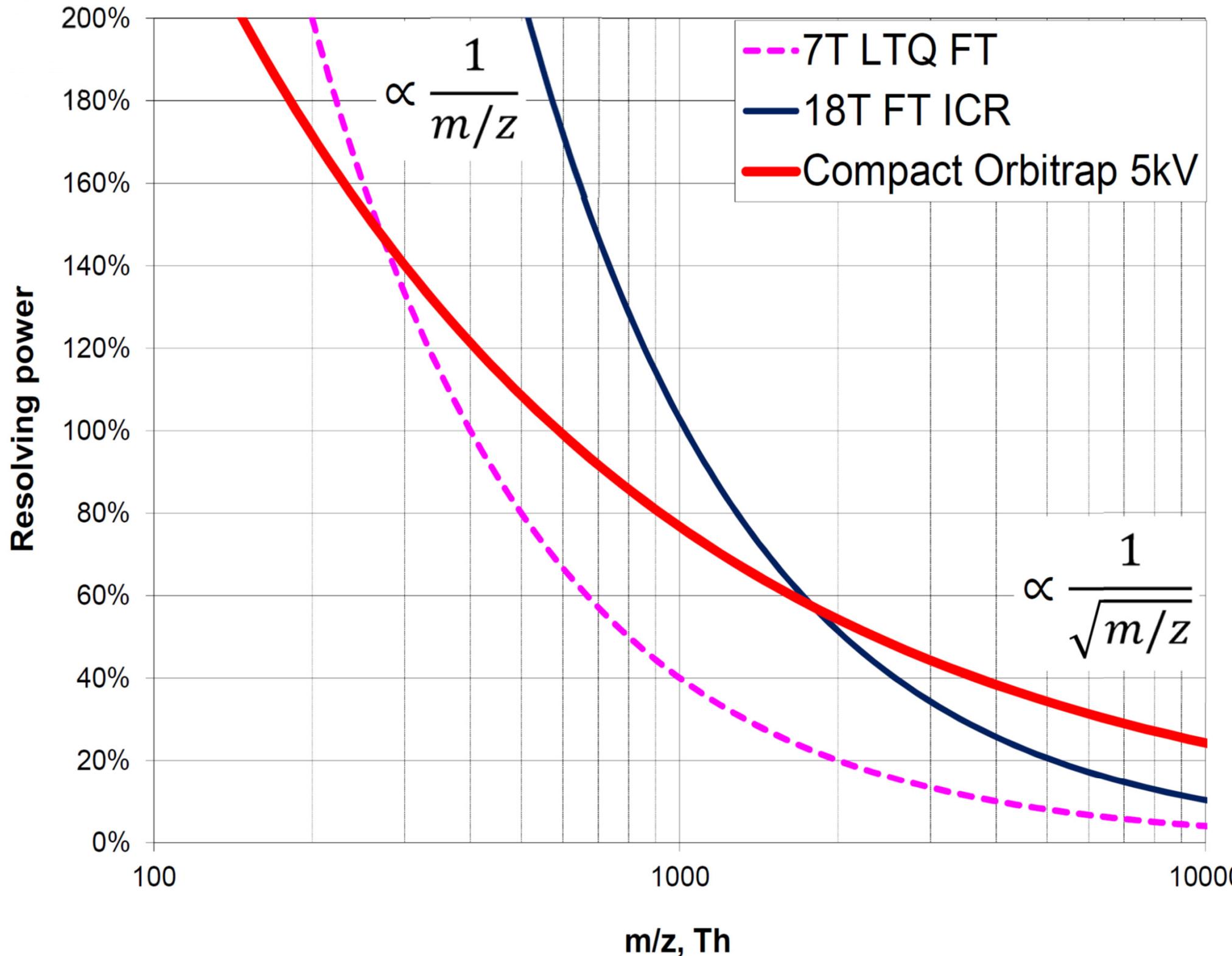
Resolution = f (transient period)

Transient length, ms	Resolution @ 400 m/z		
	LTQ Orbitrap XL/Velos (mFT, 3.5 kV): D30	LTQ Orbitrap Elite (eFT, 3.5 kV): D20	Compact, high-field (eFT, 5 kV): D20
48	-	15,000	18,000
96	7,500	30,000	35,500
192	15,000	60,000	71,000
384	30,000	120,000	142,000
768	60,000	240,000	282,000
1536	100,000	480,000	560,000
3072	-	1 M	1100,000

$$R \approx f \cdot T$$

$$f_{\text{Orbitrap}} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m/z}}$$

Resolution = function of frequency or m/z



$$R \propto f \cdot T$$

$$f_{ICR} \propto \frac{1}{m/z}$$

$$forbitrap \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{m/z}}$$

Resolution: ICR vs. Orbitrap

$$R = \frac{(m/z)}{\Delta(m/z)}$$

$$R_{ICR} \approx \frac{(m/z)}{\Delta(m/z)} = \frac{f}{\Delta f}$$

$$R_{Orbitrap} \approx \frac{(m/z)}{\Delta(m/z)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{f}{\Delta f}$$

$$f_{ICR} = \frac{A}{(m/z)}$$

$$f_{Orbitrap}^2 = \frac{A}{(m/z)}$$

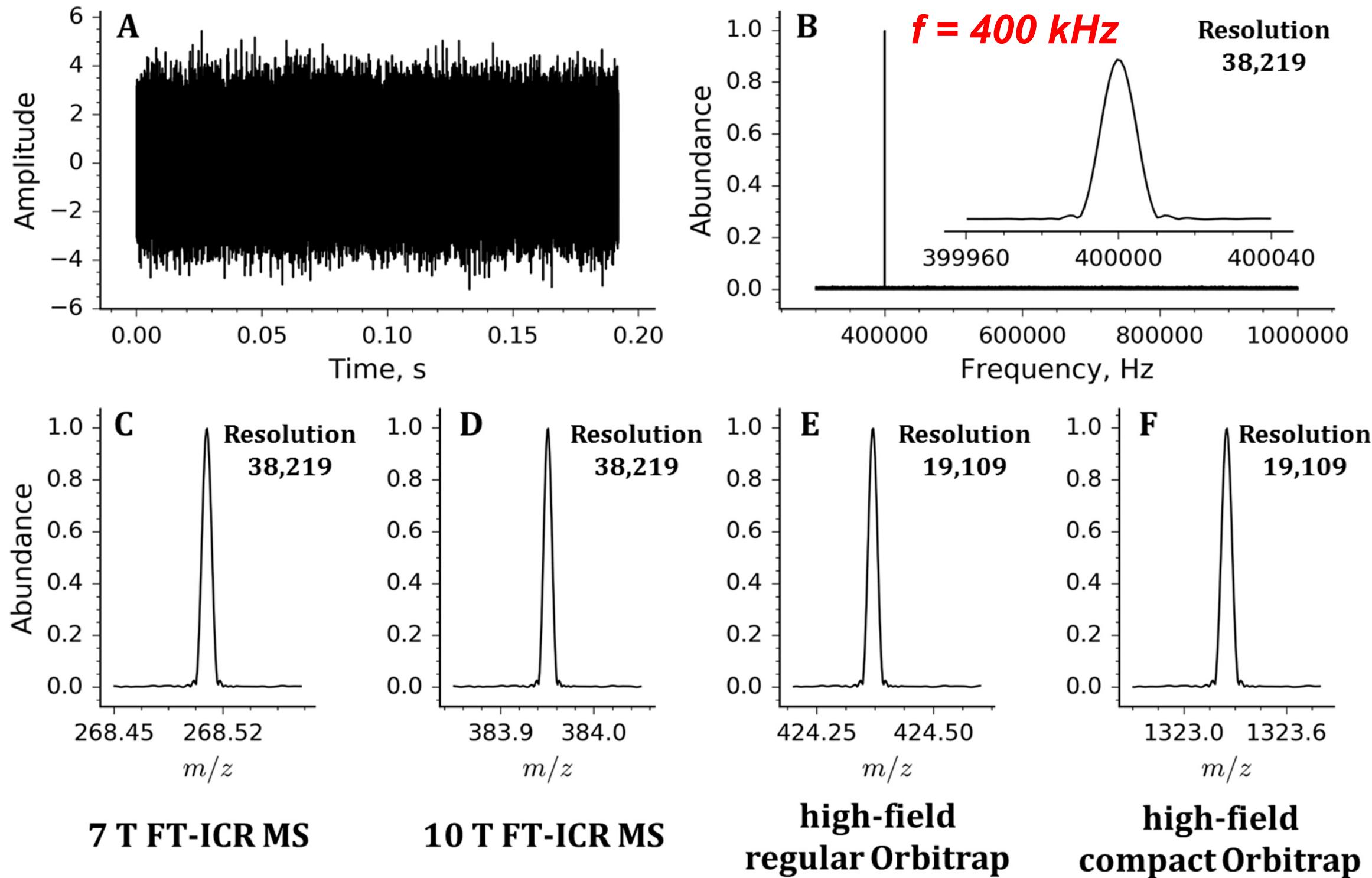
$$(m/z) = \frac{A}{f}$$

$$(m/z) = \frac{A}{f^2}$$

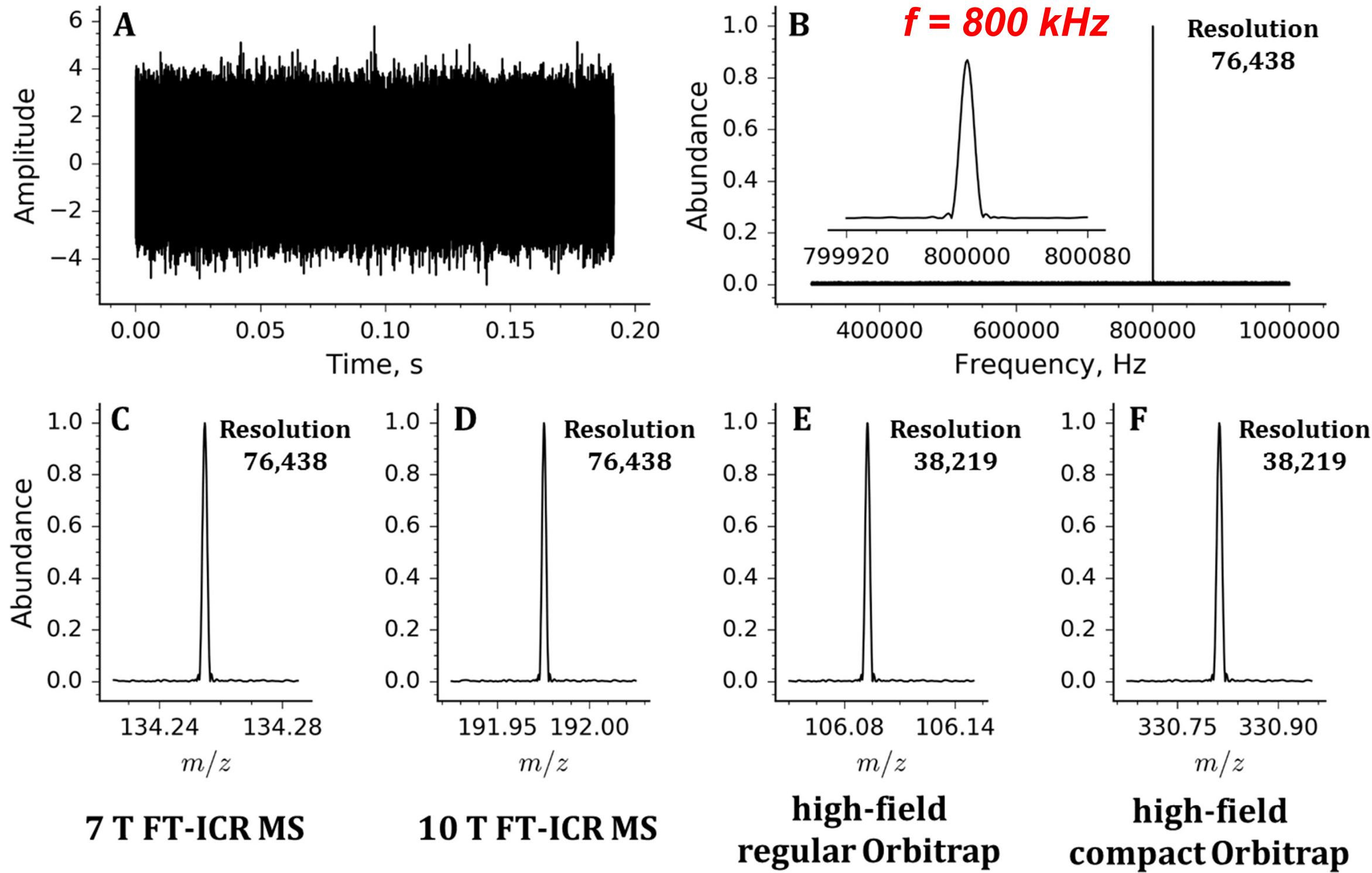
$$\Delta(m/z) \approx -\frac{A \cdot \Delta f}{f^2} = -(m/z) \cdot \frac{\Delta f}{f}$$

$$\Delta(m/z) \approx -2 \frac{A \cdot \Delta f}{f^3} = -2(m/z) \cdot \frac{\Delta f}{f}$$

Resolution = Function of m/z



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FT Processing Settings: Resolution

- **LTQ FT ICR MS** resolution settings are estimated at m/z 400 (mFT mode)

FT settings

Instrument / harmonic #: LTQ-FT 7T™

Resolution: At target peak(s)

Instrument setting

FT mode / apodization: magnitude

Zero-fills / sample rate: 2

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FT Processing Settings: Resolution

- How to estimate transient length on **Bruker's ICRs/MRMS?**
- Example:

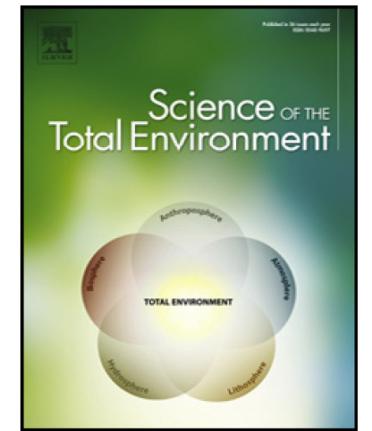
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FTICR MS offers a new solution for the analysis of
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FT Processing Settings: Resolution

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$$T_{acq}(s) = \frac{N \text{ (dataset size, MW)}}{f_{sampling, \text{ MHz}}} = \frac{\text{Number of acquired data points}}{\text{Number of data points sampled per s}}$$

$$f_{sampling} = 2 \times f_{highest} \quad \text{Nyquist}$$

$$f_{@12T@98m/z} = 1\ 880\ 340 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T_{acq} = \frac{4 \text{ MW}}{2 \times 1.88 \text{ MHz}} = 1.06 \text{ s}$$

$$f_{highest} = \frac{1}{2\pi} B \frac{1}{(m/q)_{lightest}}$$

Barrow et al., Science of the Total Environment (2019) 662, 852-862

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What was the length of the acquired transients?

$$1\omega \quad f_{@7T@107m/z} = 1\,003\,773 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T_{acq} = \frac{2 \text{ MW}}{2 \times 1.004 \text{ MHz}} = 1 \text{ s}$$

$$2\omega \quad f_{@7T@107m/z} = 2\,007\,547 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T_{acq} = \frac{2 \text{ MW}}{2 \times 2.007 \text{ MHz}} = 0.5 \text{ s}$$

Isotopic settings Targeted search Semi-targeted search Advanced parameters

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 Modification(s) Enrich isotopes:
 Biopharma tool

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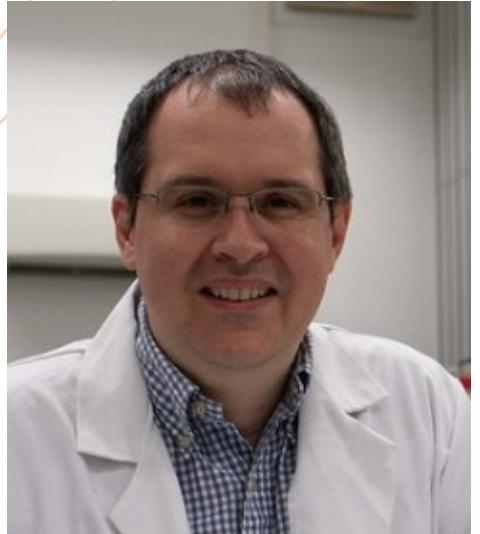
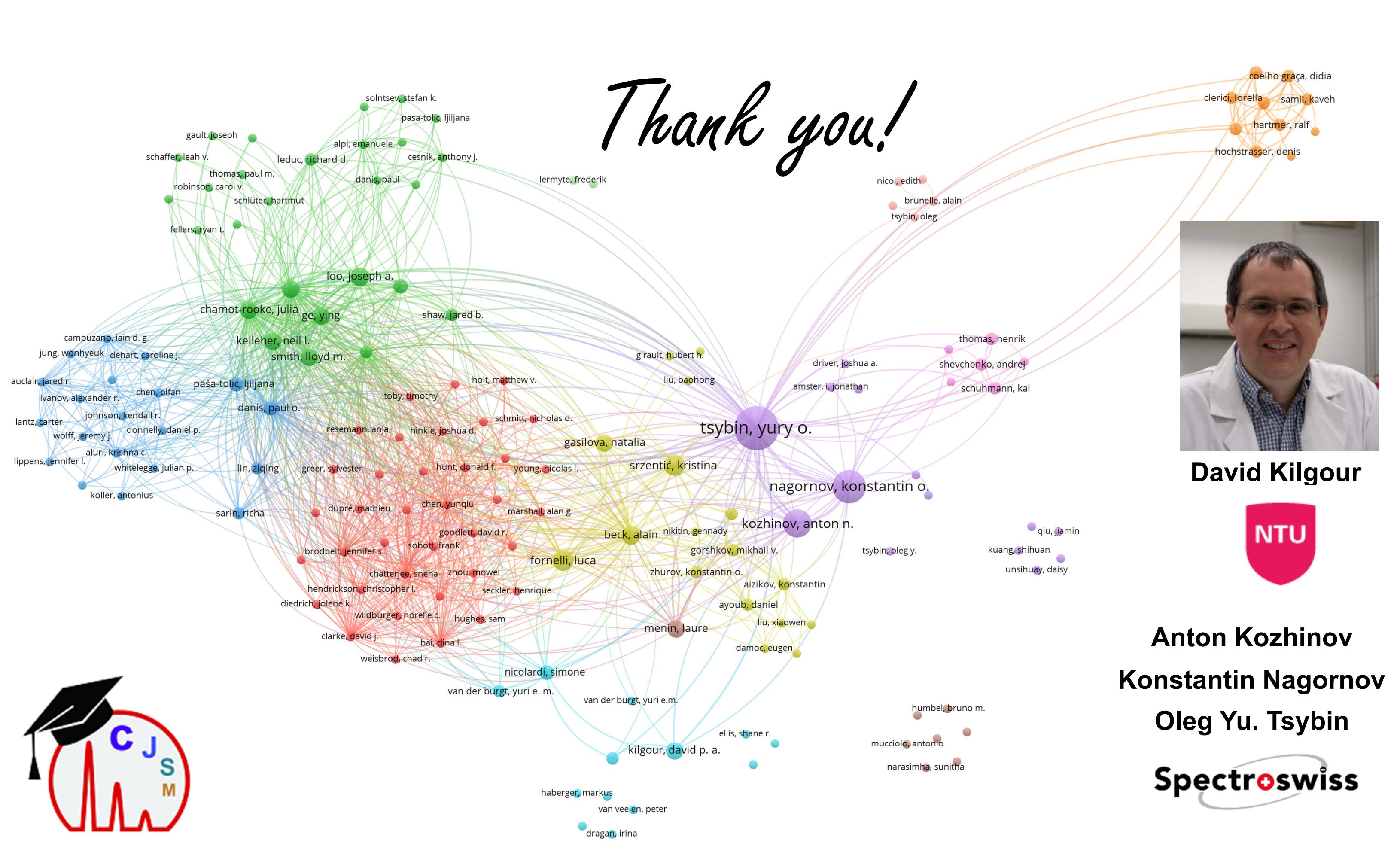
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- Transient-mediated simulations of FTMS isotopic distributions and mass spectra to guide experiment design and data analysis. *J. Amer. Soc. Mass Spectrom.* (2020) 31, 1927-1942
- Multiplexed MS of individual ions improves measurement of proteoforms and their complexes. DOI: 10.1038/s41592-020-0764-5
- Resource on Orbitrap models design and applications: <https://planetorbitrap.com/>

Quiz results, software access, questions, & ideas: tsybin@spectroswiss.ch

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