



## Electron Activated Dissociation for near complete characterization of lipids from single MS/MS spectrum using ZenoTOF 7600

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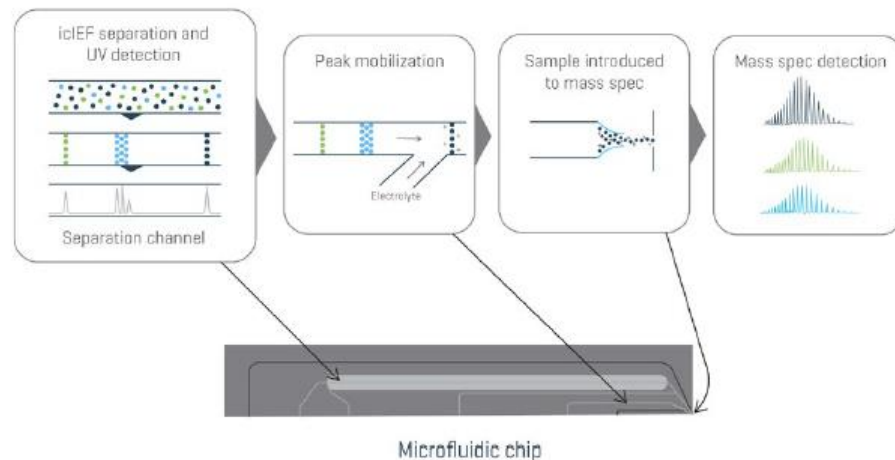
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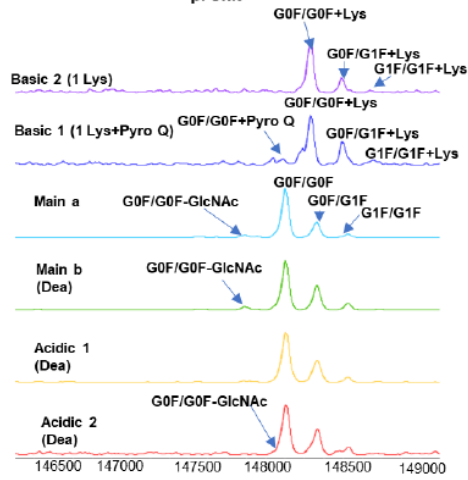
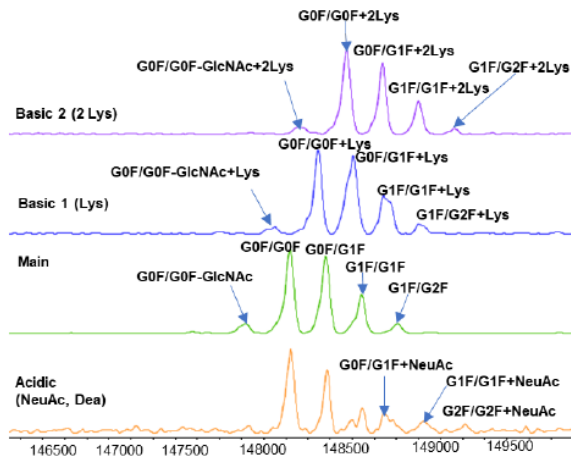
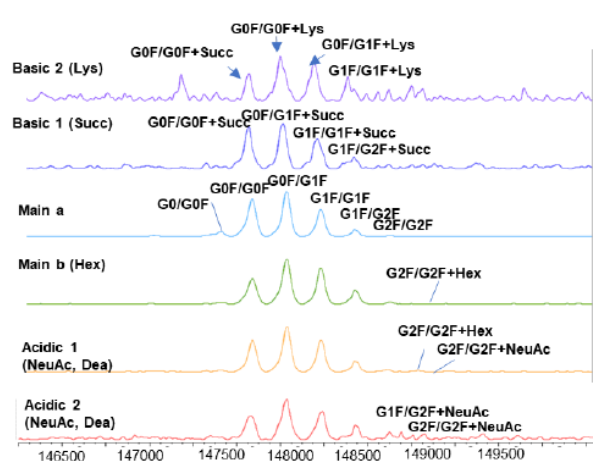
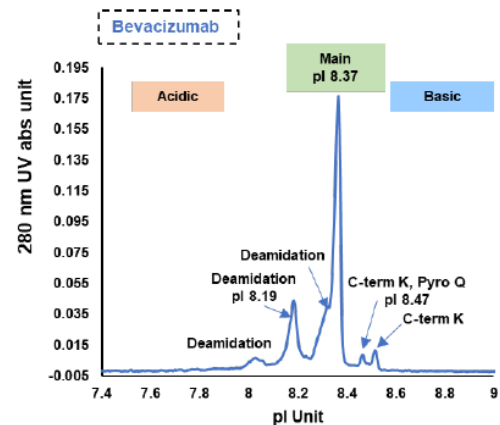
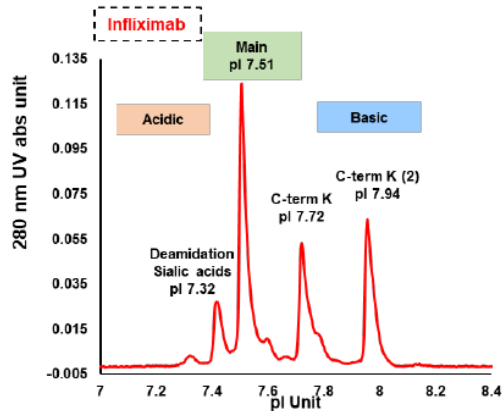
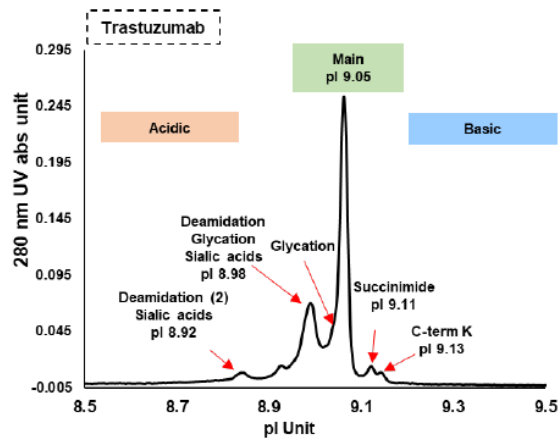
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## IMAGED CAPILLARY ISOELECTRIC FOCUSING (ICIEF)-UV/MS



# Intabio ZT



# Electron Activated Dissociation

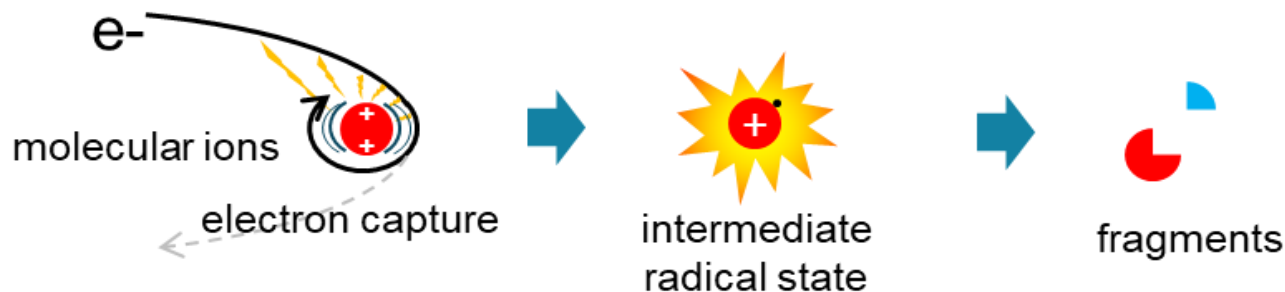
WITH ZENO TOF



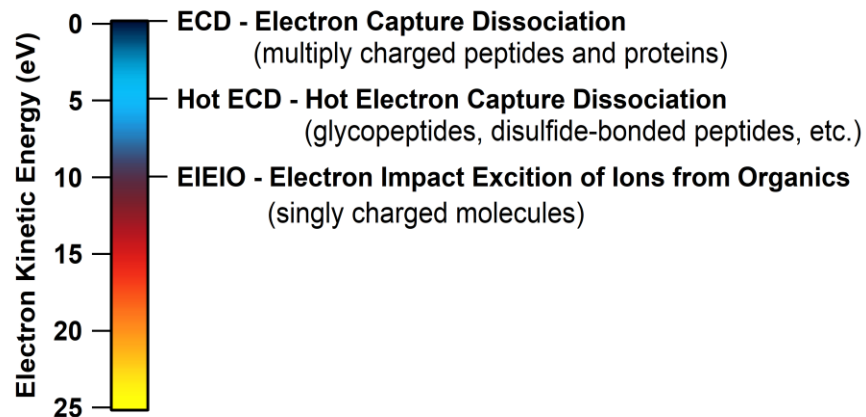
# Is there a need for alternative fragmentation ?

## COMPLEMENTARY AND INFORMATION RICH FOR STRUCTURE ELUCIDATION WITH EAD

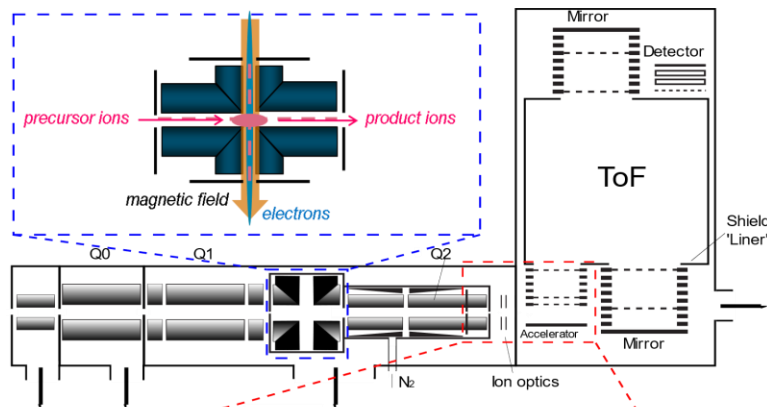
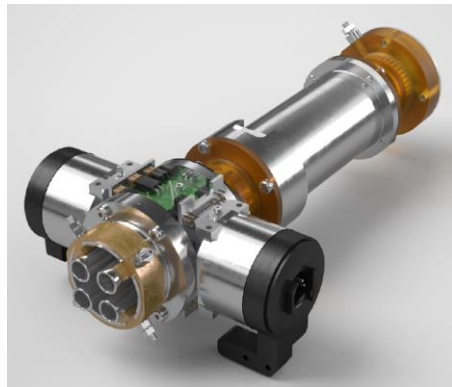
- Collision induced dissociation (CID) is a soft, thermal fragmentation technique
  - Often leads to cleavage of most labile sites
  - Results in few diagnostic fragments
  - Insufficient cleavage without protonation sites
- Electron activated dissociation (EAD cell) offers complementary fragmentation information
  - Radical dissociation mechanism
  - Can maintain labile modifications
  - Potential to result in many diagnostic fragments



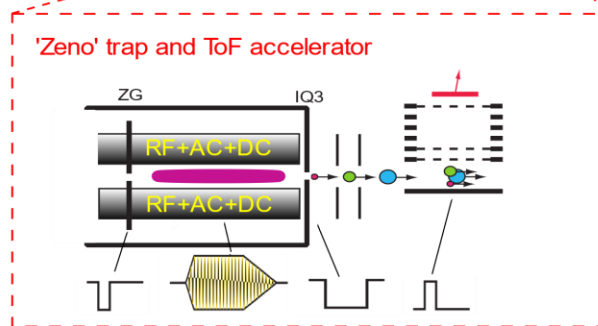
- Free electrons are captured by ions and form a radical state which then fragments
  - Electrons introduced with different energies will induce fragmentation in different molecule types



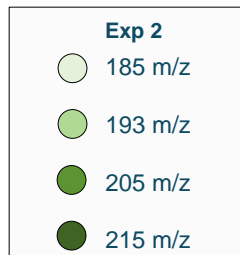
## INTEGRATED MS/MS ASSEMBLY WITH ELECTRON ACTIVATED DISSOCIATION (EAD)



- EAD cell for electron based fragmentation
- Zeno trap for enhancement of low abundant fragment ions



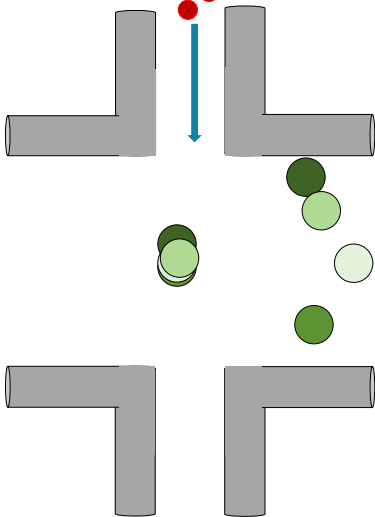
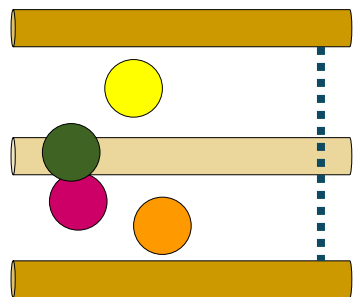
# Electron activated dissociation (EAD)



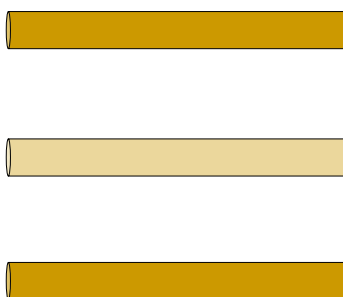
Step 2:  
fragmentation in  
EAD cell with  
optimized KE

Electrons

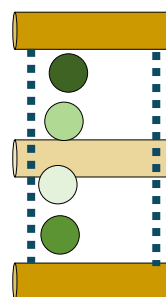
Step 1: selection of analyte  
ion in Q1 (215 m/z)



Step 2: ions travel  
through Q2



Step 3: Zeno  
trap stores all  
fragment ions



Step 3: ions enter the TOF  
analyzer and make their  
way to the detector





## ELECTRON ACTIVATED DISSOCIATION (EAD)

- Distinguishing of isomers
- Drug metabolite identification, position of modification
- Position of glucuronation (N / O)
- Endogenous metabolites forms
- Position of polar groups on saccharides
- Additional fragments for compound confirmation

## ELECTRON ACTIVATED DISSOCIATION (EAD)

- Improved bottom-up characterization performance to meet the challenges of complex next gen therapeutics
  - Confirmation of PTMs (glycosylation, disulfide-bonds, phosphorylation, sulfation, ...)
  - Detailed determination of aa isomers (isoAsp / Asp, Ile / Leu)
  - Fragmentation of singularly, doubly and multiply charged ions
  - Comprehensive sequence coverage
- Allows for sequence information directly from the intact molecule (top/middle down)
  - Sequence coverage from single experiment
- Wide range of electron energy adjustments (up to 25 eV) allows for high degree of selectivity for backbone fragmentation and maintenance of side chain

## ELECTRON ACTIVATED DISSOCIATION (EAD)

- Routine and reliable similar to CID MS/MS: set and forget
- Potential to support quantification
- Only alternative fragmentation technique with sensitivity improvements using the **Zeno trap**

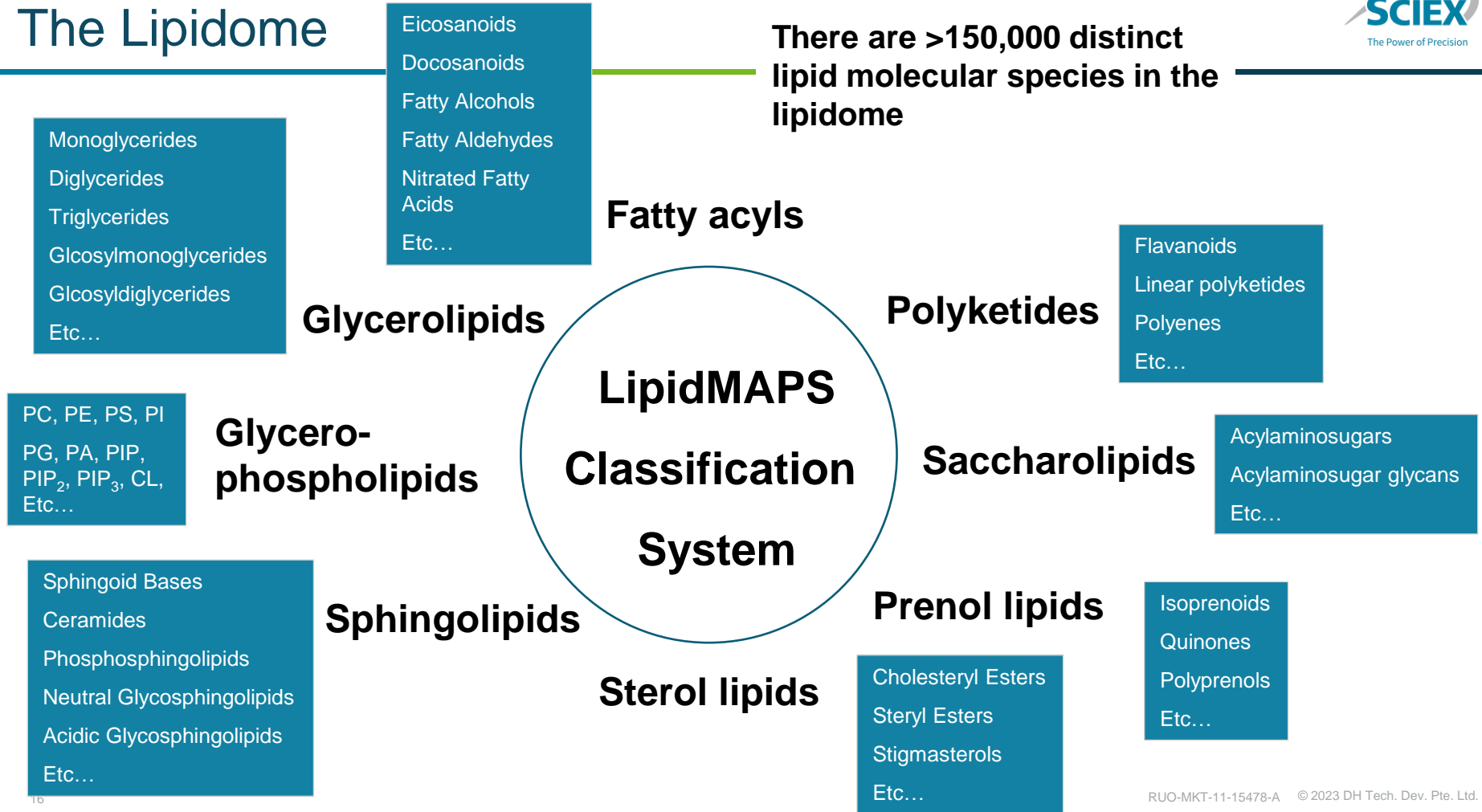
# Lipid characterization

WITH ZENO EAD MS/MS



# The Lipidome

There are >150,000 distinct lipid molecular species in the lipidome



# The challenge of specificity

## THE MULTIPLE LEVELS OF LIPID STRUCTURAL SPECIFICITY

**Lipid class:** PE, SM, TAG, etc...

- TLC, NMR, MS

**Sum composition:** PE 36:1

- Shotgun, IDA/DDA (via infusion or by LC MS/MS)

**Fatty acid identification:** PE (16:0\_20:1); (18:0\_18:1); (14:0\_22:1); etc...

- LC-MS/MS, MS/MS<sup>ALL</sup>, IDA/DDA

**Fatty acid position:** PE(16:0/20:1)

- DMS (SelexION<sup>®</sup> Technology), PLA<sub>2</sub>

**Double bond position:** PE (16:0/20:1Δ11)

- OzID, Paternò-Büchi Rxn, Hv-PD

**Stereochemistry:** PE (16:0/20:1(11Z))

- GC-MS/MS, HR-NMR, Complex LC-MS/MS techniques



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EAD-based fragmentation can be used to fully characterize the structures of lipid molecular species

# Complexity as a function of specificity: PE 36:1

## TRANSLATION OF SUM COMPOSITION TO SPECIFIC LIPID MOLECULAR SPECIES

| Class Level   | Sum-Composition Level                              | Fatty Acid Level | Positional Isomer Level                            | Double Bond Position(s)                            | Cis/Trans |
|---------------|--|------------------|--|--|-----------|
| PE            | PE 36:1  | PE(14:0_22:1)    | PE(14:0/22:1)                                      | 1  | 2         |
|               |  | PE(14:1_22:0)    | PE(22:1/14:0)                                      | 1  | 2         |
|               |  | PE(16:0_20:1)    | PE(14:1/22:0)                                      | 3 - ( $\Delta 8, \Delta 9, \Delta 11$ )            | 6         |
|               |  | PE(16:1_20:0)    | PE(22:0/14:1)                                      | 3 - ( $\Delta 8, \Delta 9, \Delta 11$ )            | 6         |
|               |  | PE(18:0_18:1)    | PE(16:0/20:1)                                      | 4 - ( $\Delta 13, \Delta 11, \Delta 9, \Delta 8$ ) | 8         |
|               |  |                  | PE(20:1/16:0)                                      | 4 - ( $\Delta 13, \Delta 11, \Delta 9, \Delta 8$ ) | 8         |
|               |  | PE(16:1/20:0)    | 2 - ( $\Delta 9, \Delta 6$ )                       | 4  |           |
|               |  | PE(20:0/16:1)    | 2 - ( $\Delta 9, \Delta 6$ )                       | 4  |           |
|               |  | PE(18:0/18:1)    | 4 - ( $\Delta 12, \Delta 11, \Delta 9, \Delta 7$ ) | 8  |           |
| PE(18:1/18:0) | 4 - ( $\Delta 12, \Delta 11, \Delta 9, \Delta 7$ ) | 8                |  |  |           |

Possibilities:

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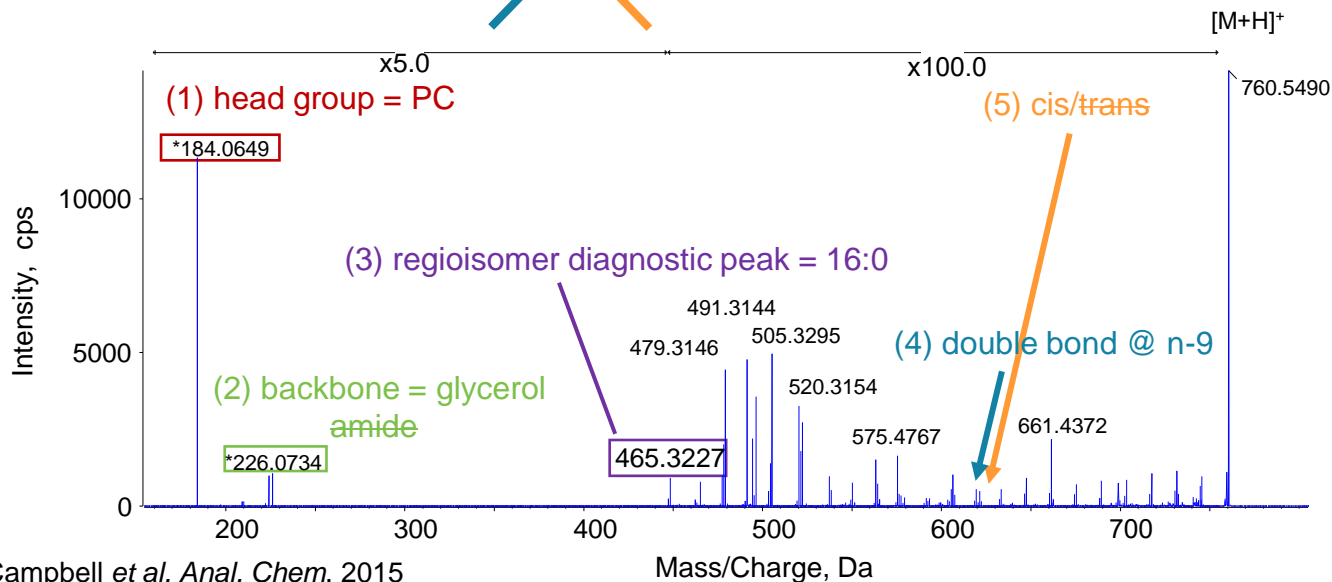
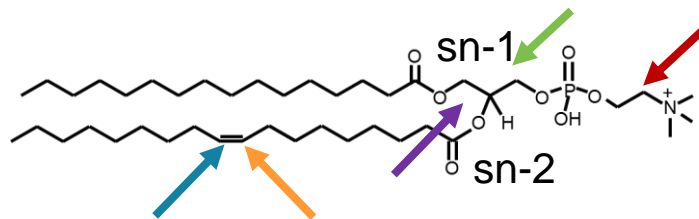
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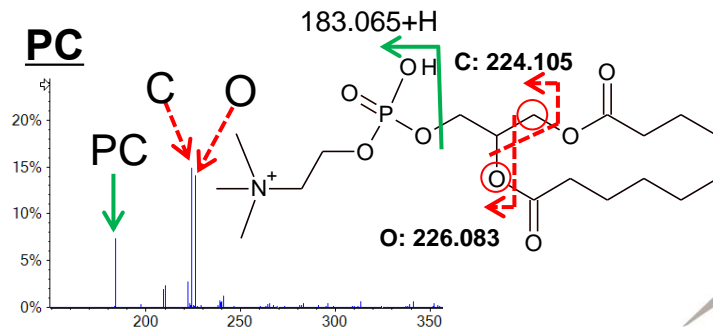
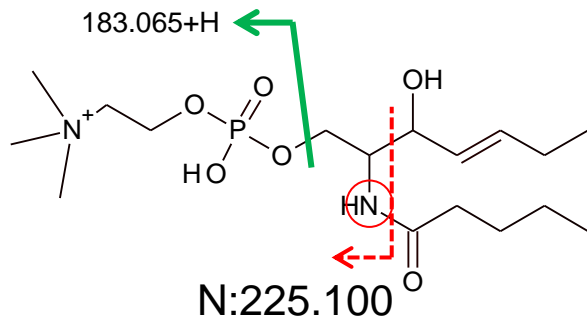
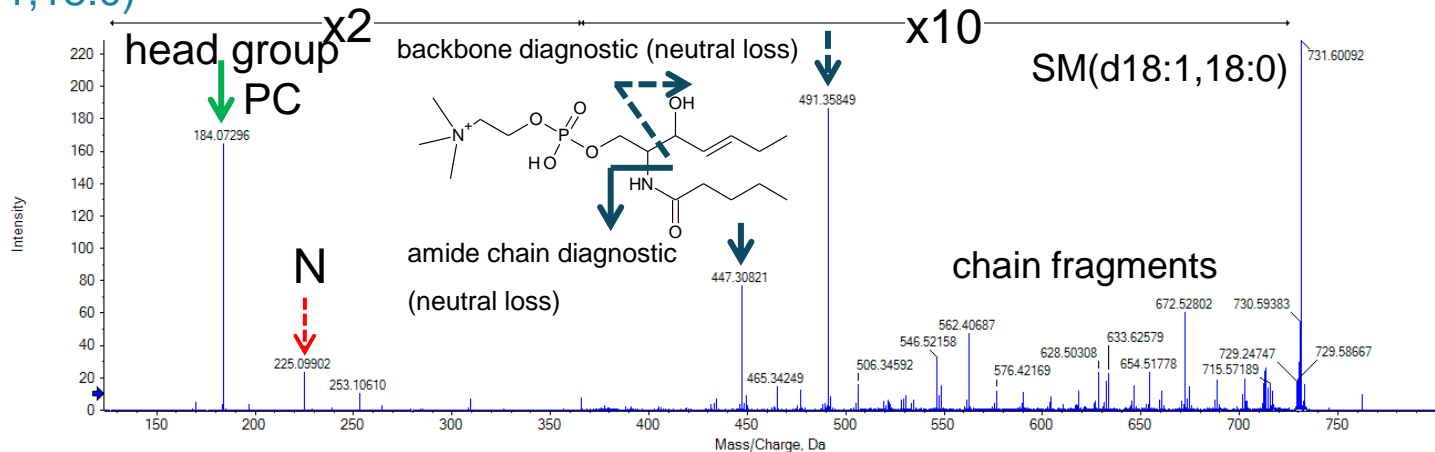
single experiment → *de novo* analysis → PC 16:0 / 18:1(n-9:cis)



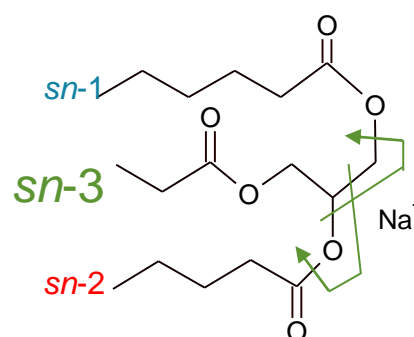
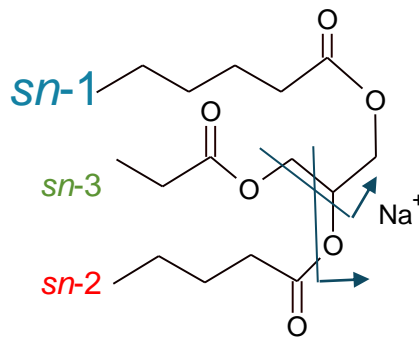
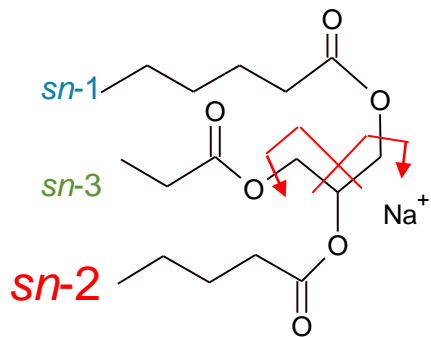
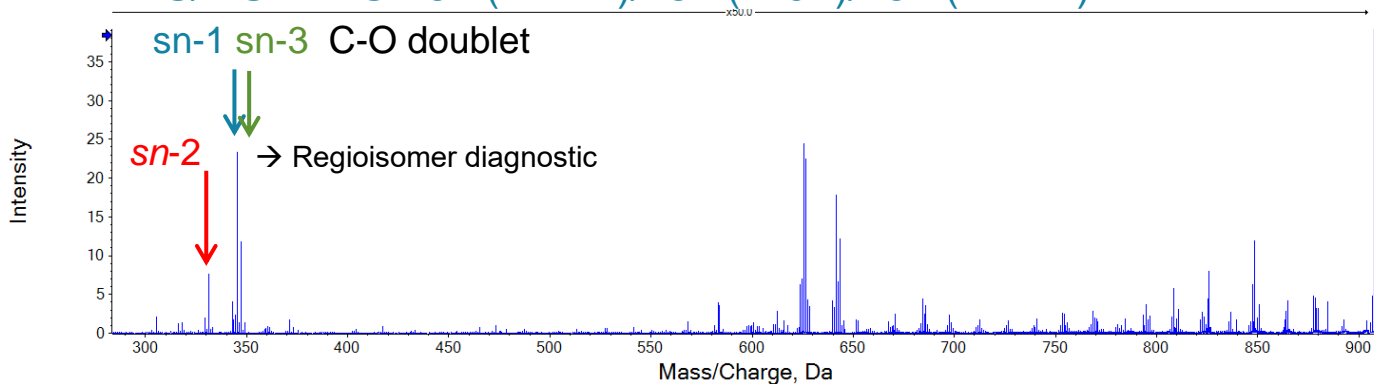
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## SM(d18:1,18:0)

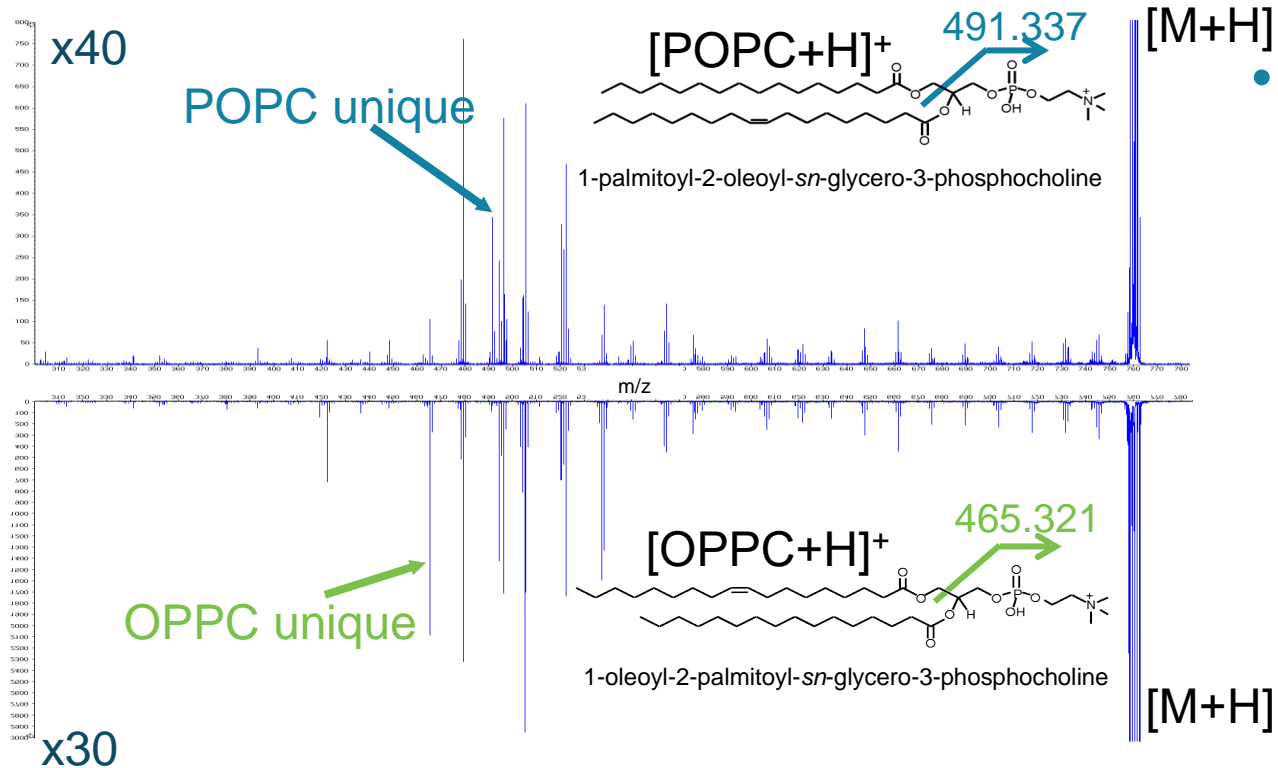


## EAD MS/MS - TAG 18:1(N-12Z)/18:1(N-9Z)/18:1(N-12Z)



- sn-2 attachment point can be differentiated from the sn-1 position **or** sn-3 position through examination of the dual chain loss fragment ions

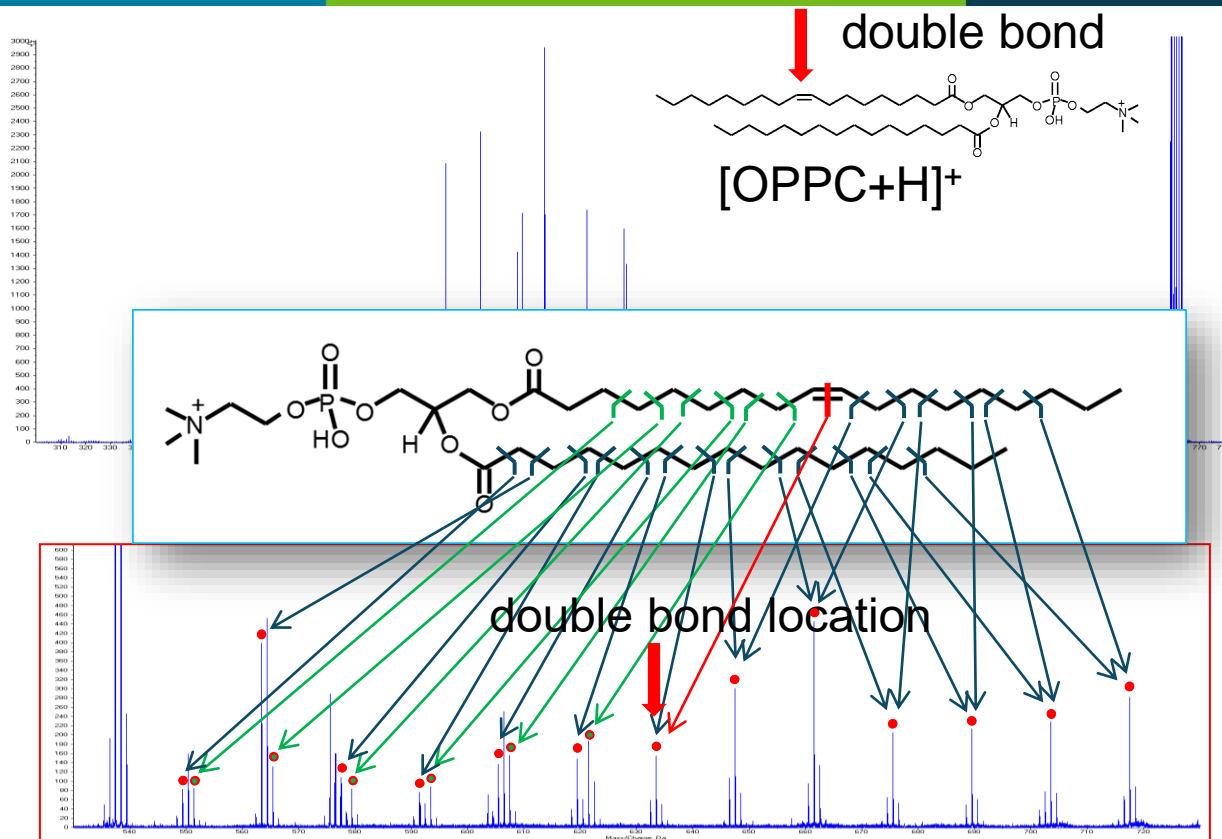
## EAD MS/MS - POPC / OPPC IDENTIFICATION



- POPC vs OPPC
- Using EAD, the position of the fatty acyl chains can be determined
- Diagnostic fragments are shown for each lipid species

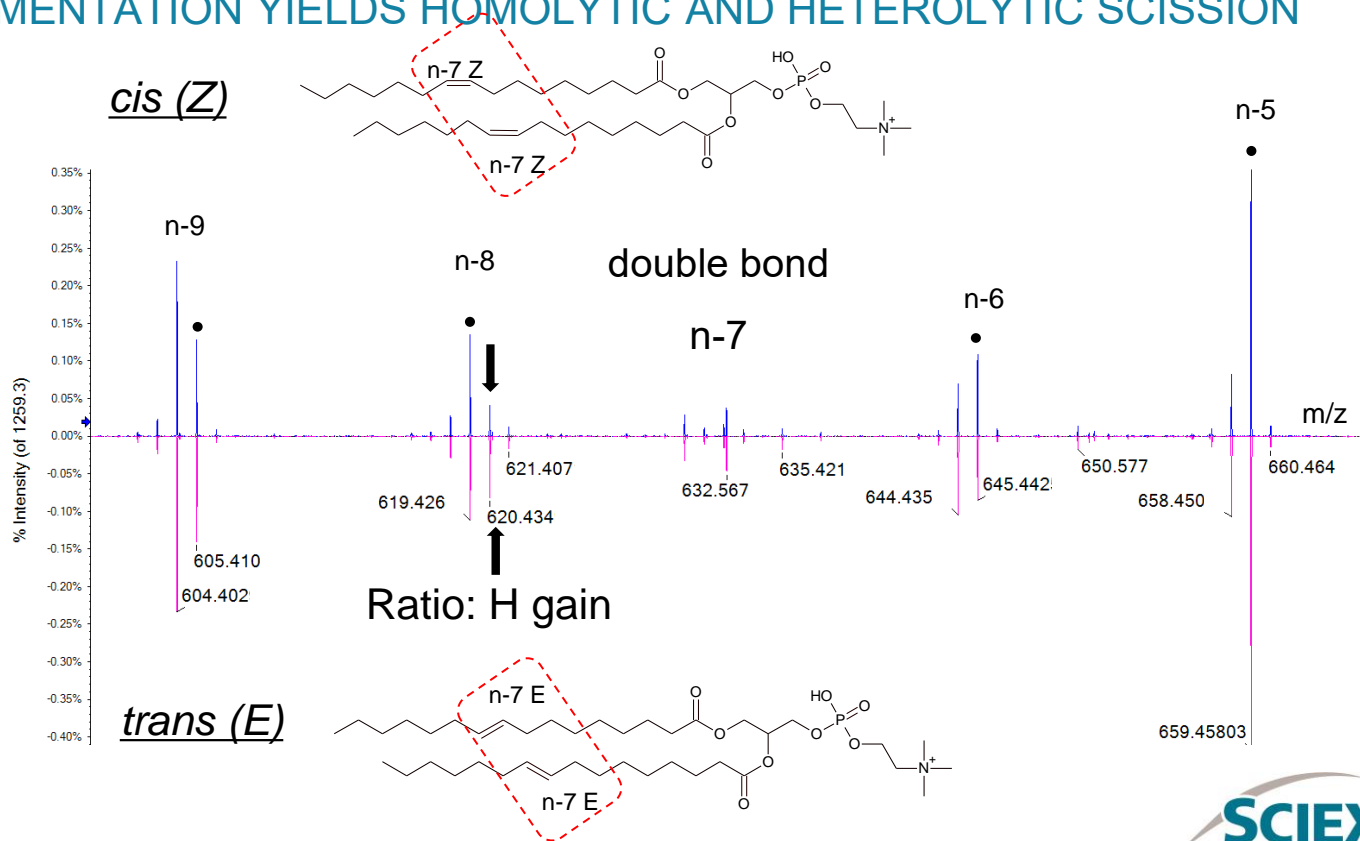
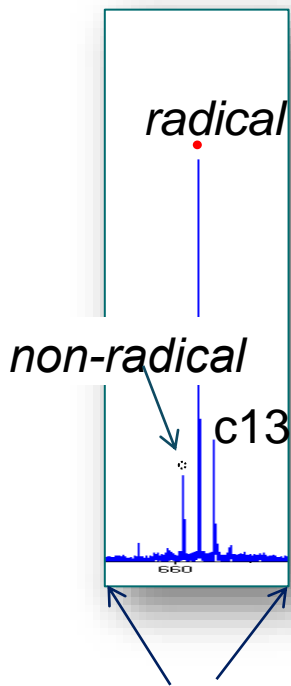


# EAD-based fragmentation of OPPC: alkyl chain dissociation



# Distinguishing between cis and trans double bonds

## EAD-BASED FRAGMENTATION YIELDS HOMOLYTIC AND HETEROLYTIC SCISSION PRODUCTS

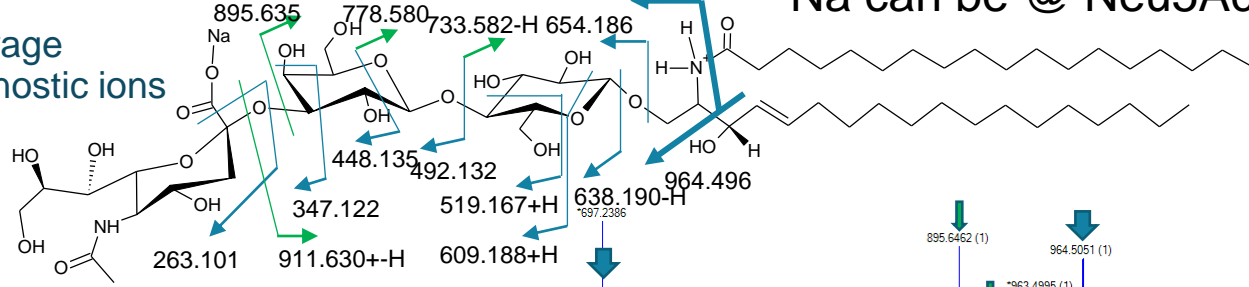


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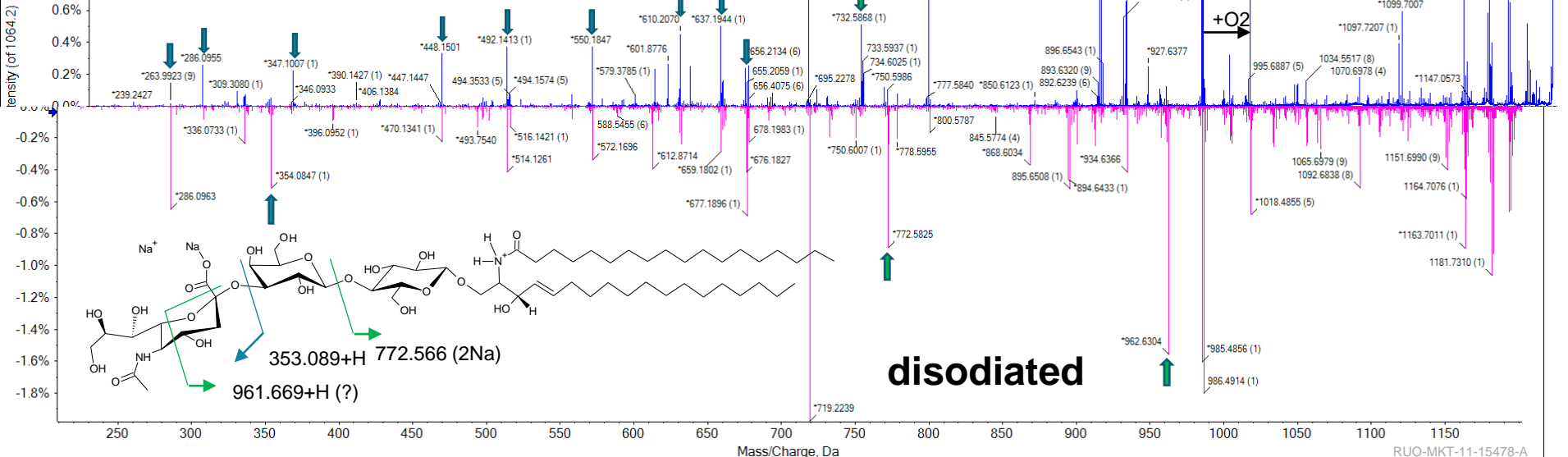
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Na can be @ Neu5Ac or backbone

Cross ring cleavage  
Back bone diagnostic ions

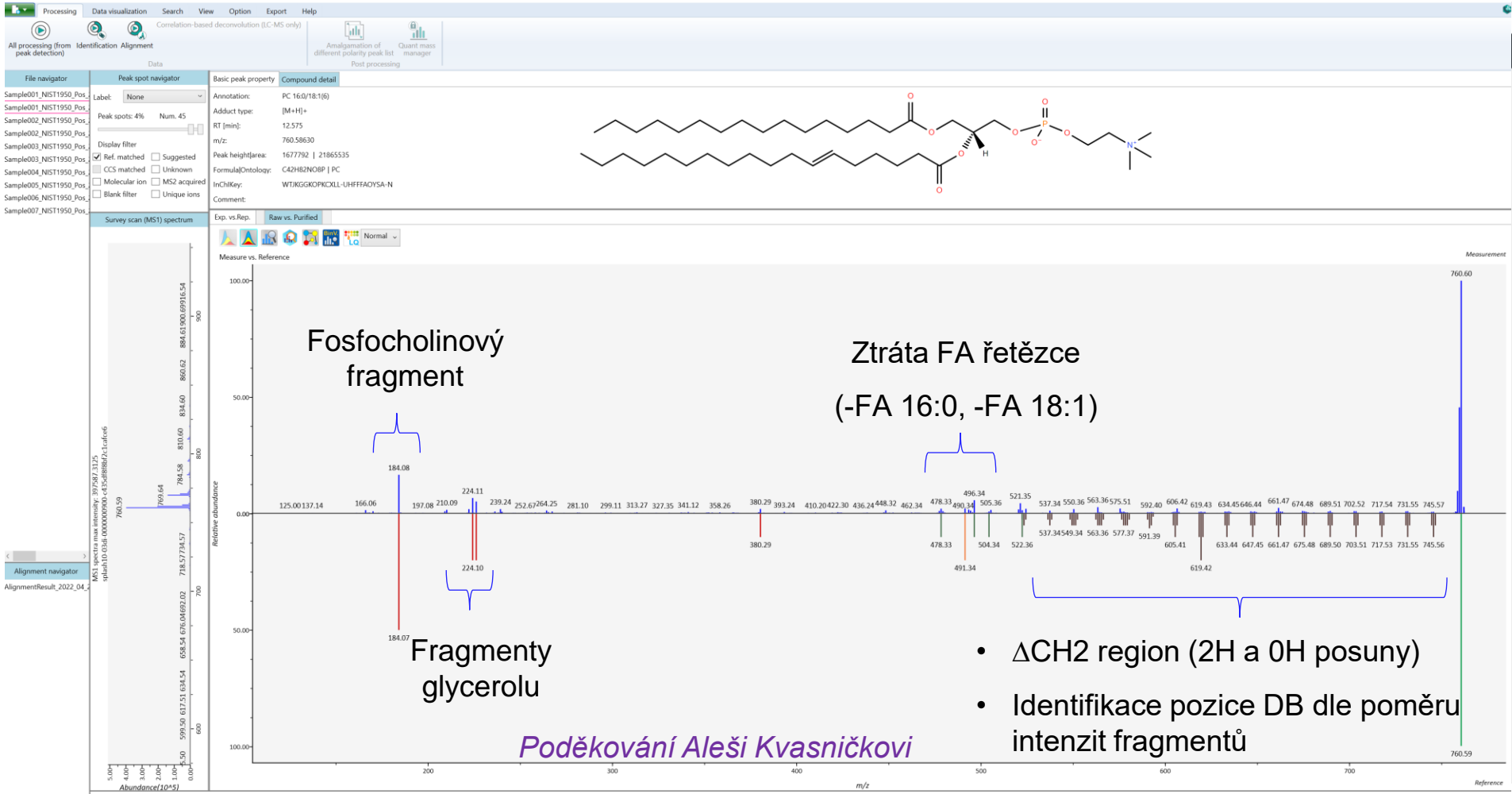


monosodiated



disodiated

# Sneak peek: MS-DIAL 5 alpha -> LC-MS data s EAD fragmentací (ZenoTOF 7600)



Poděkování Aleši Kvasničkovi

- $\Delta\text{CH}_2$  region (2H a 0H posuny)
- Identifikace pozice DB dle poměru intenzit fragmentů



## NEAR COMPLETE LIPID CHARACTERIZATION IN ONE EXPERIMENT

- EIEIO for lipids is a powerful tool for characterization
  - In one LC-MS data dependent acquisition:
    - Lipid class
    - Fatty acid identification
    - Fatty acid position
    - Double bond position
    - Double bond stereochemistry



Thank you

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