



Lipidomique Sanguine et Métabolomique du Cancer Colorectal par GC×GC-LR/HR-TOFMS

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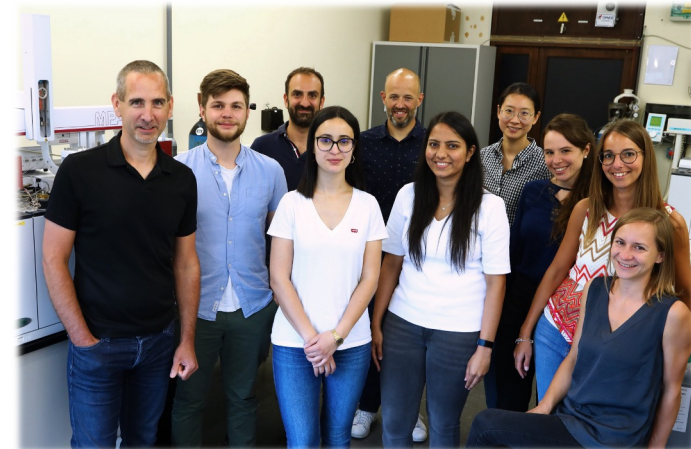
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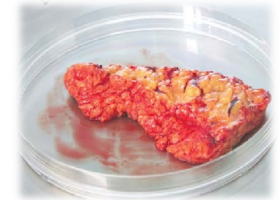
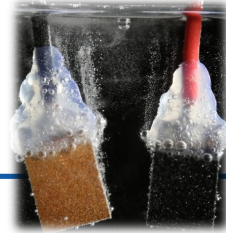
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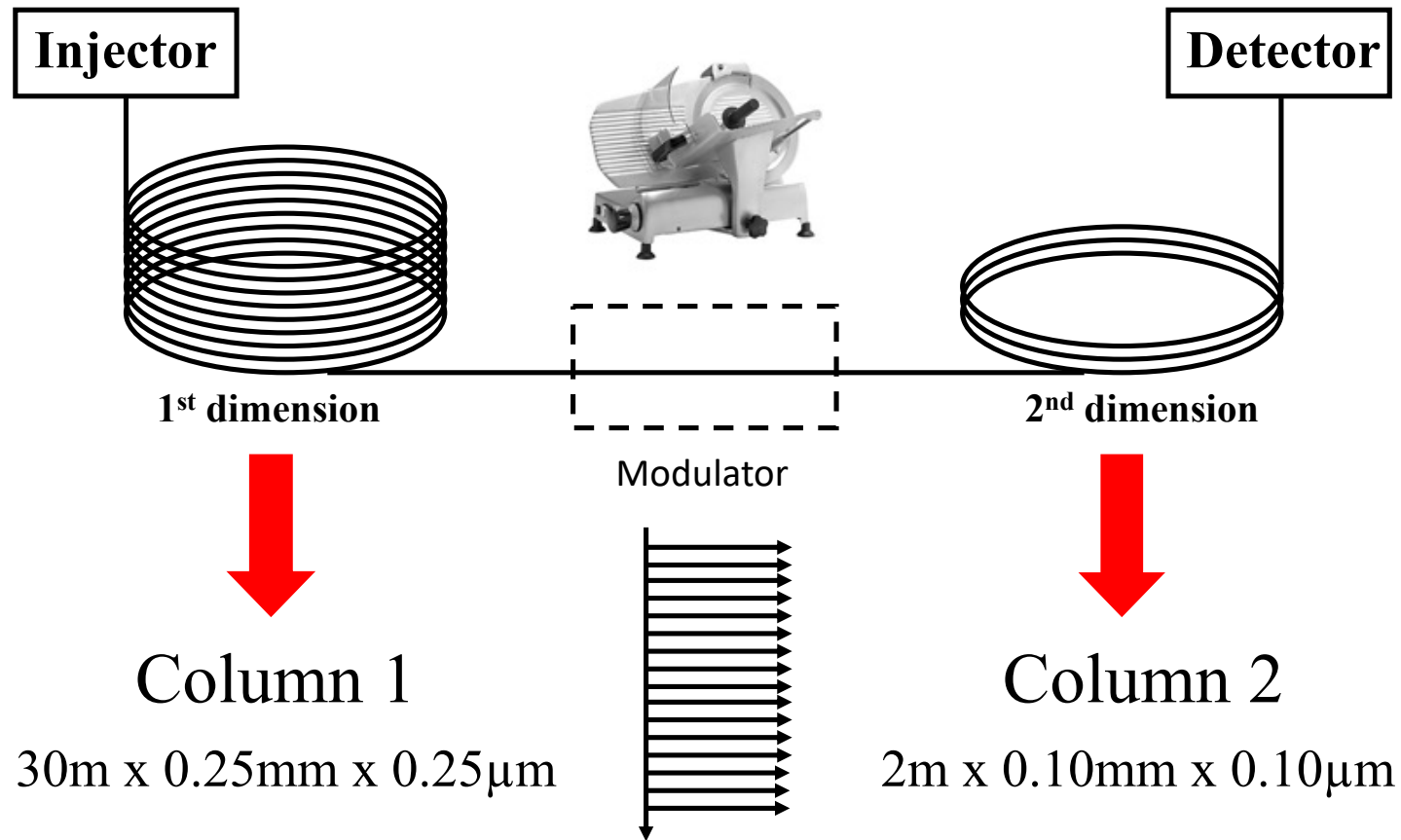
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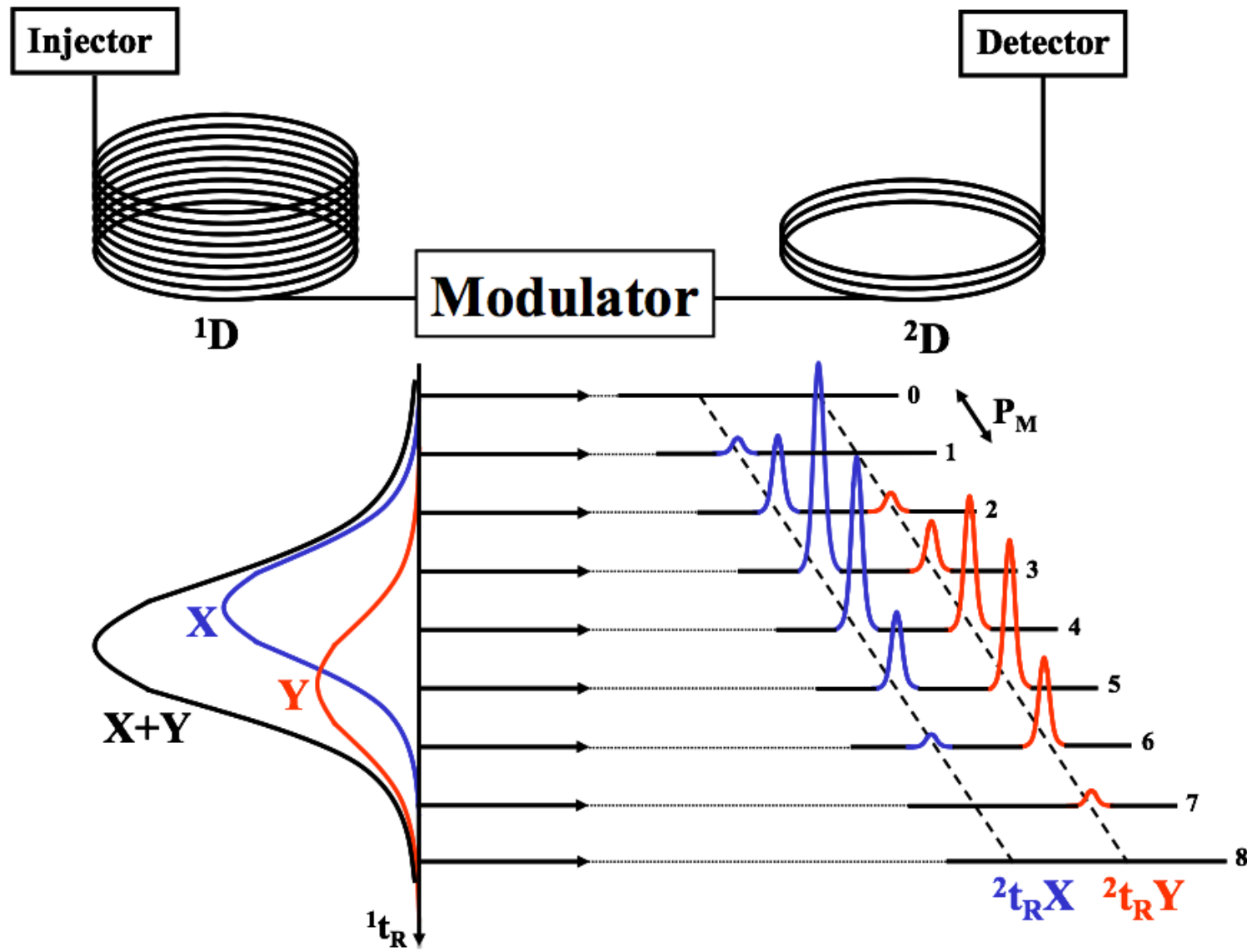


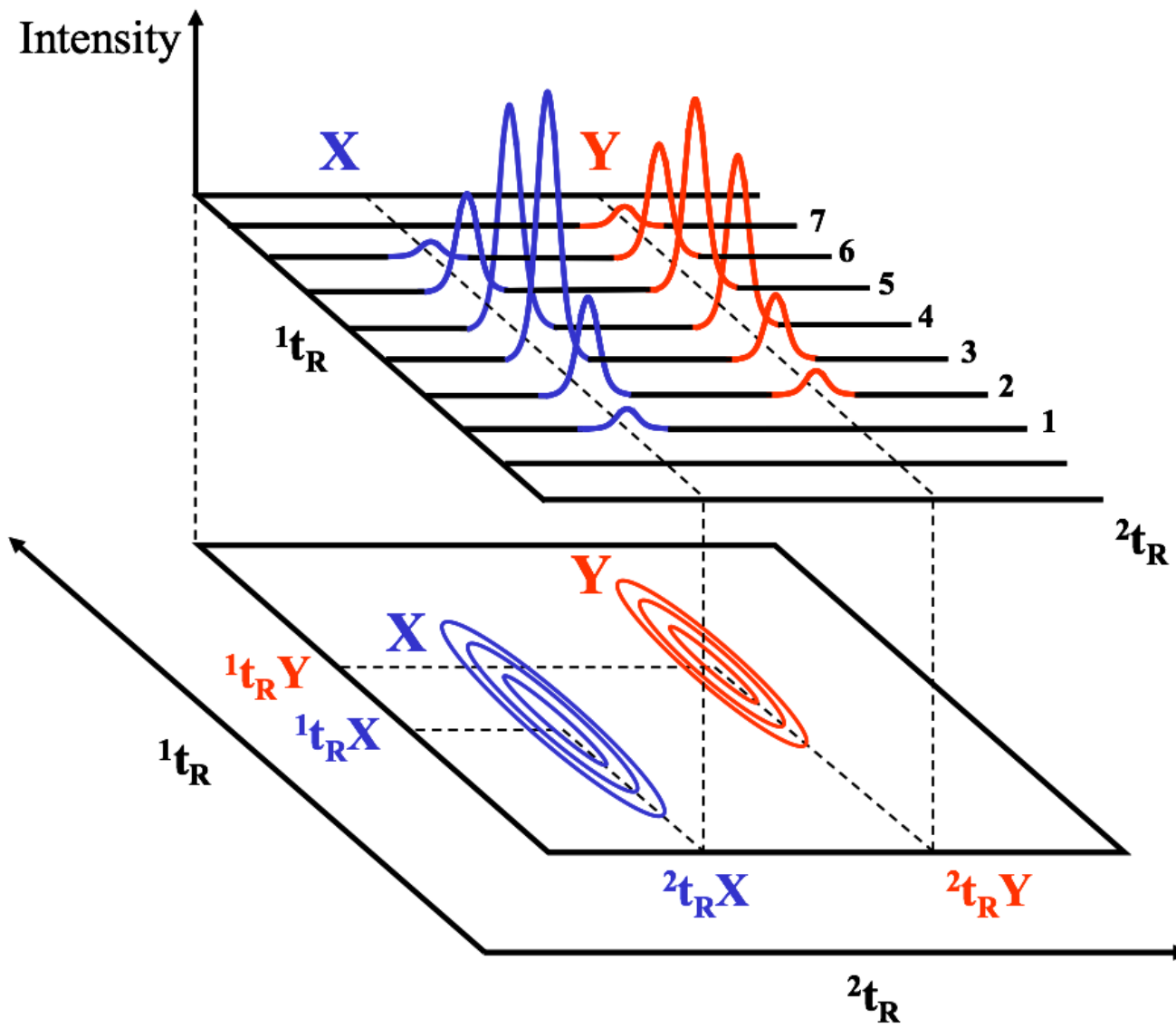


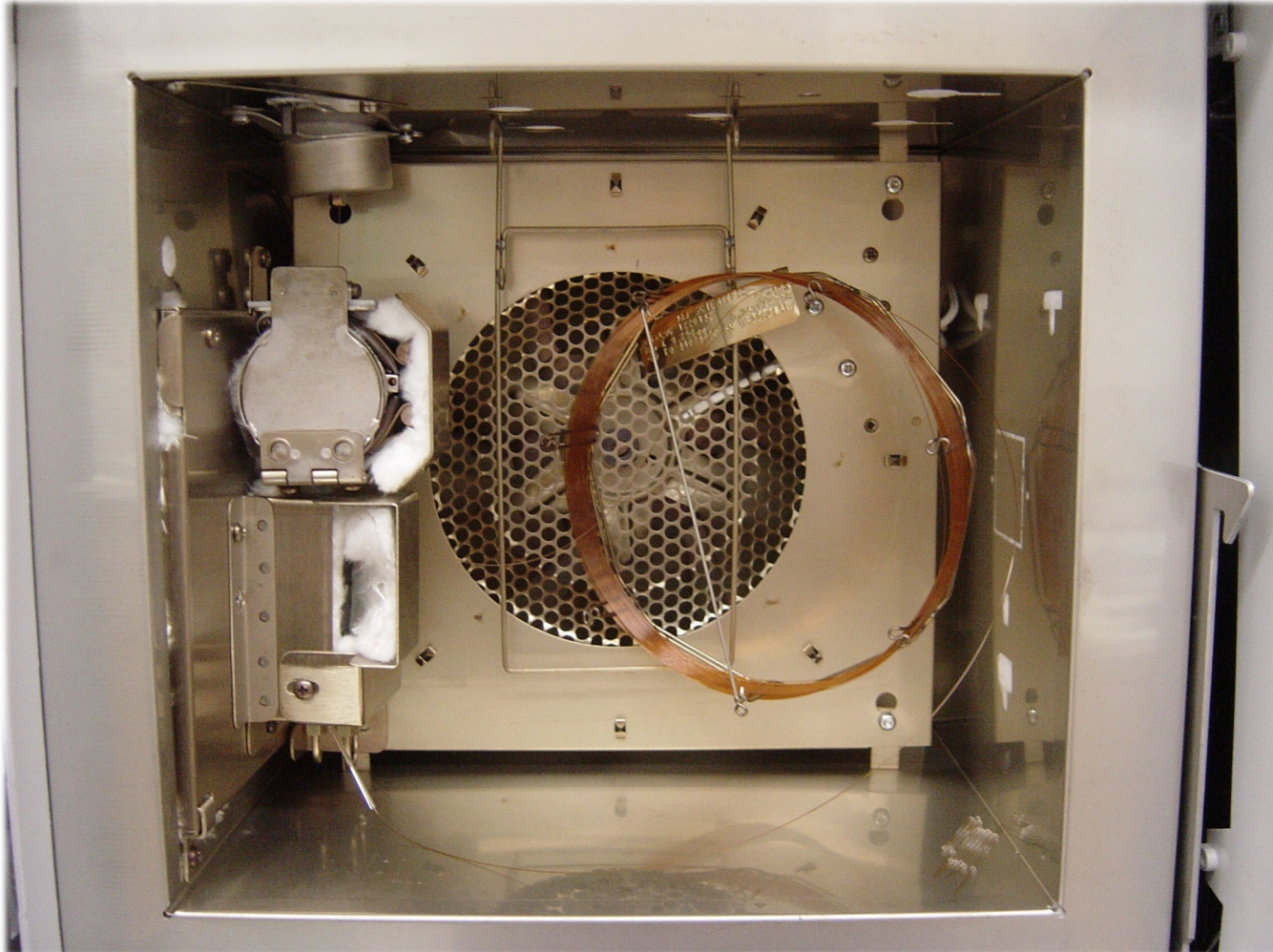
GC×GC-(HR)TOFMS

GC×GC-TOFMS Principle



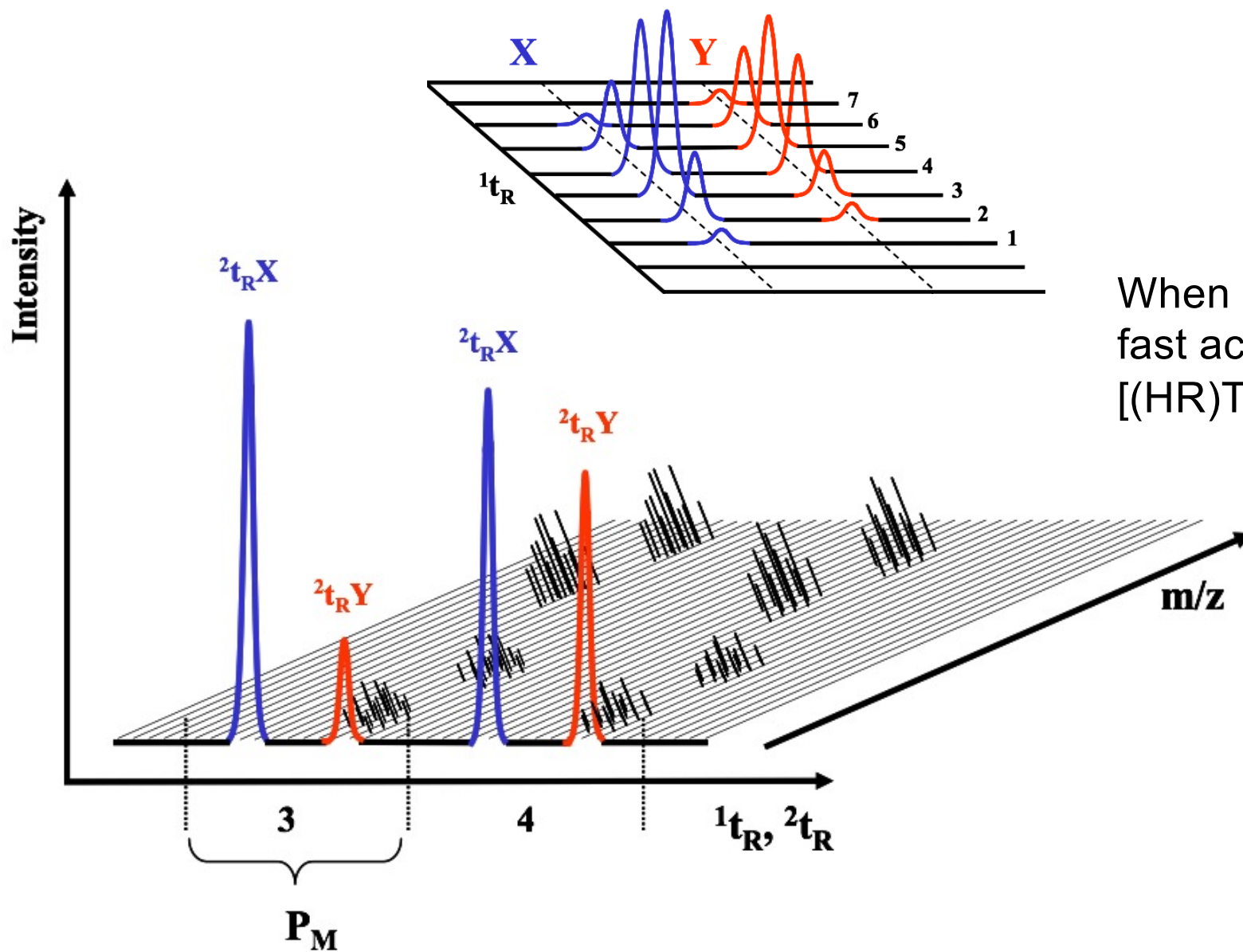




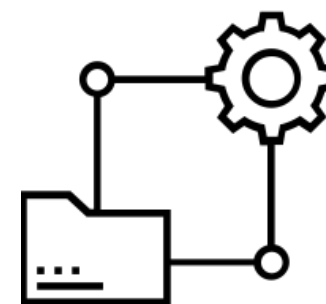


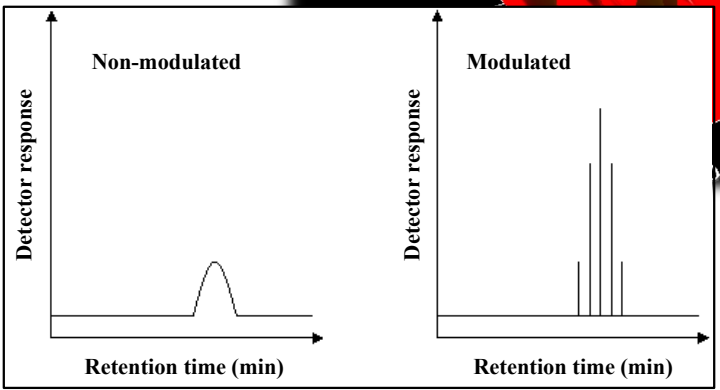
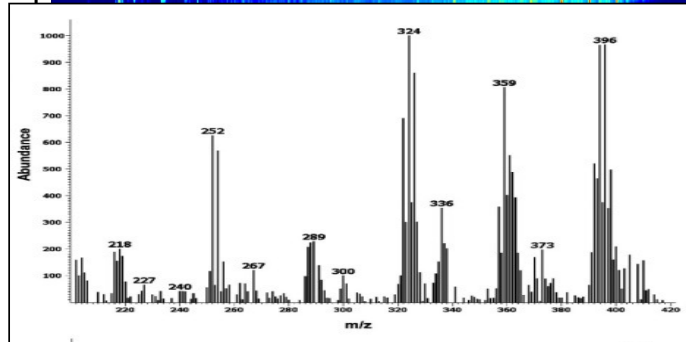
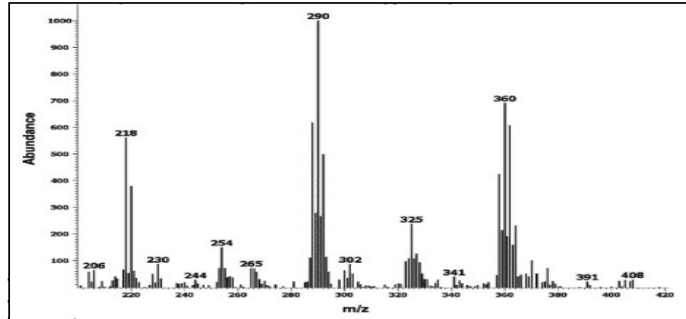
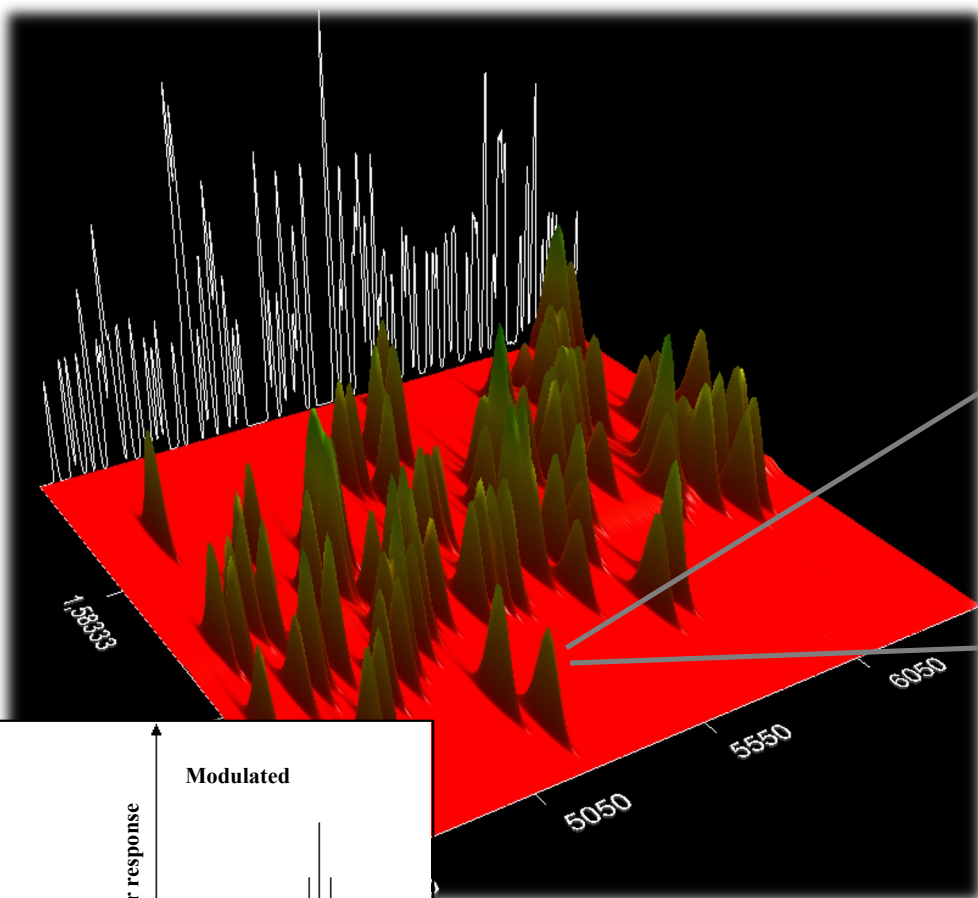
Inside the normal GC oven
-Modulator
-Secondary oven





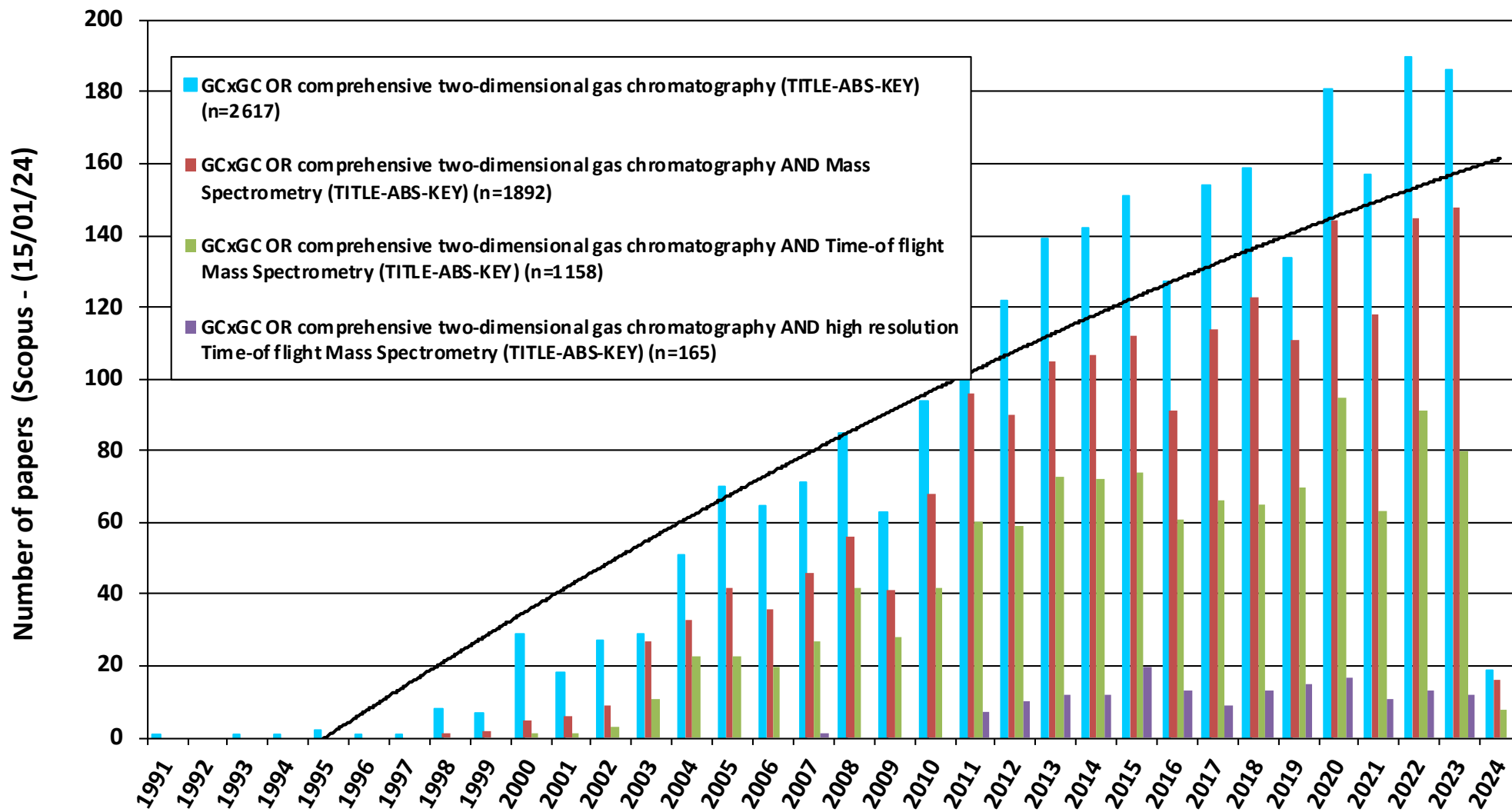
When your detector is a fast acquisition MS [(HR)TOFMS or qMS]





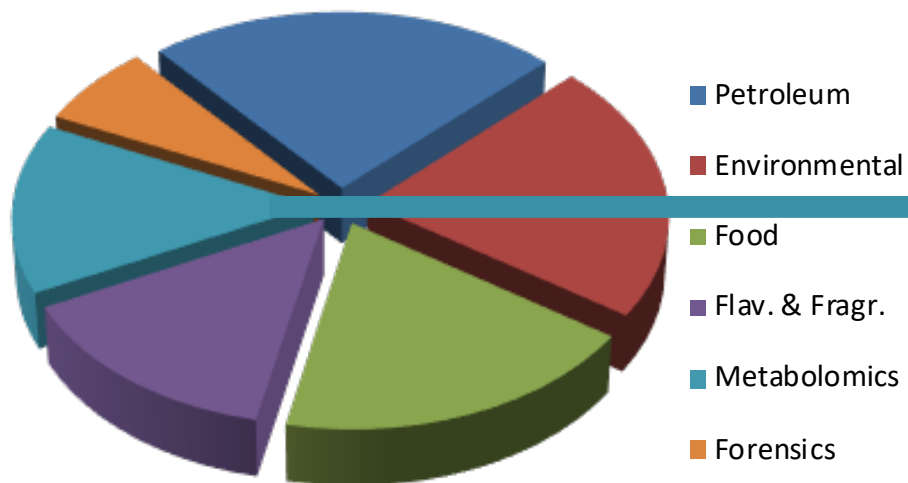
45 min run, 20-200 Hz, 30-400 amu = >1 10⁸ data points...





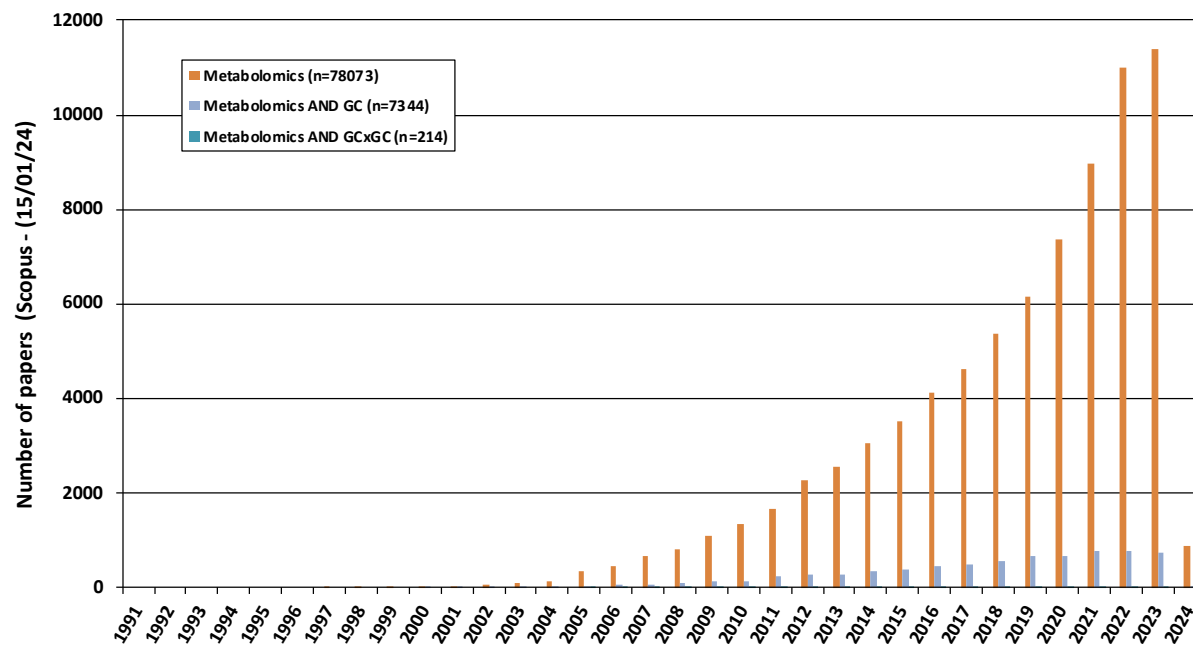
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<10 % of metabolomics is done using GC...

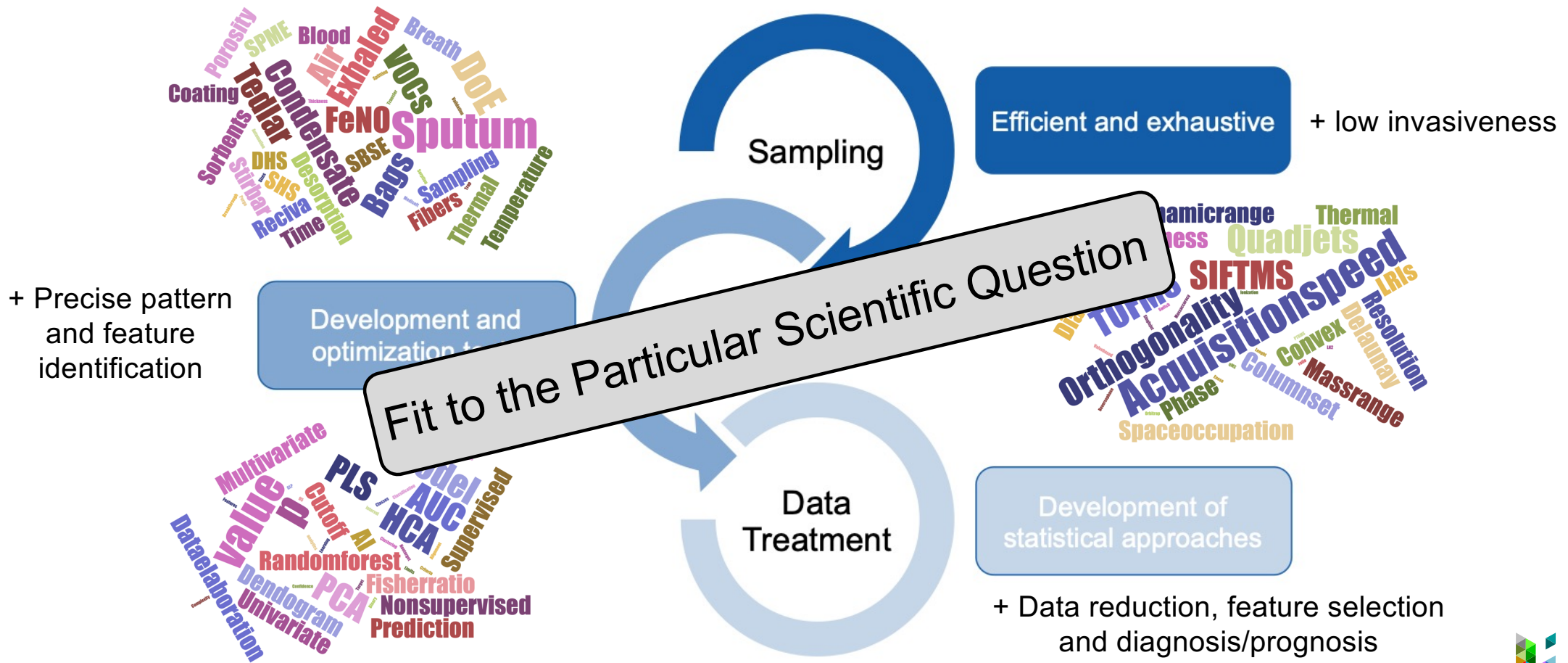
<0,3% of metabolomics is done using GCxGC...

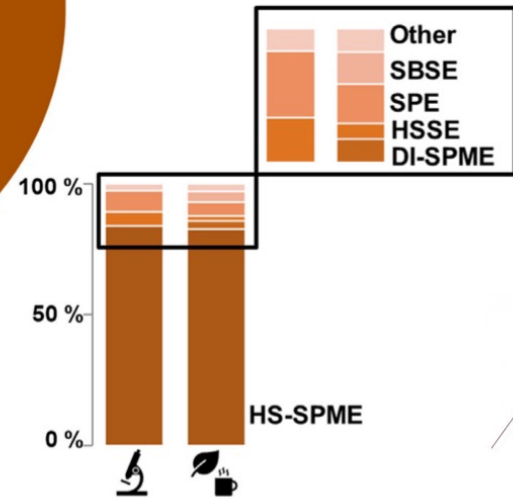
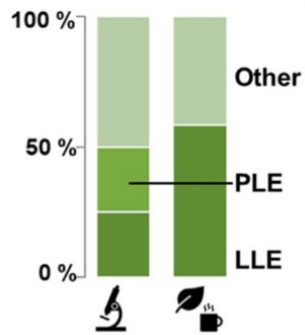
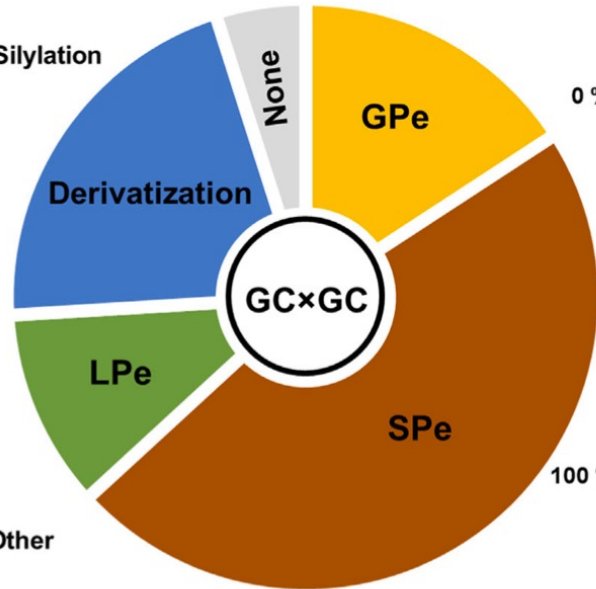
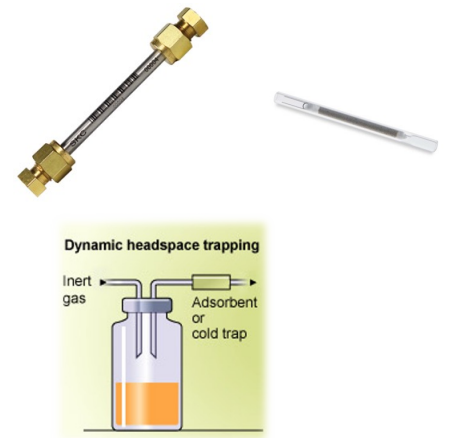
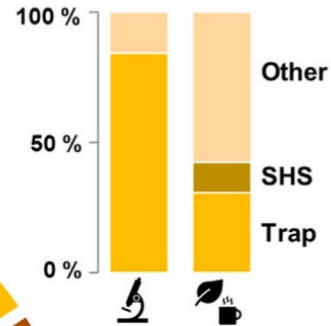
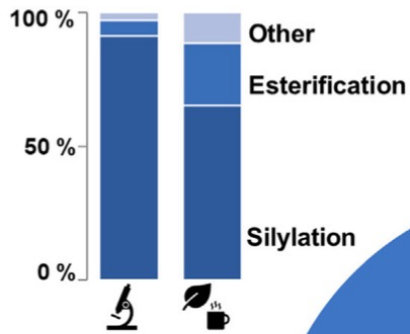
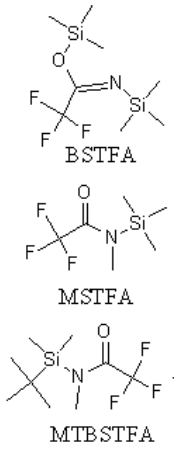


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The Big Picture – Medical Applications





The role of sample preparation in multidimensional gas chromatographic separations for non-targeted analysis with the focus on recent biomedical, food, and plant applications

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Colorectal Cancer Screening

Colorectal Cancer (CRC)

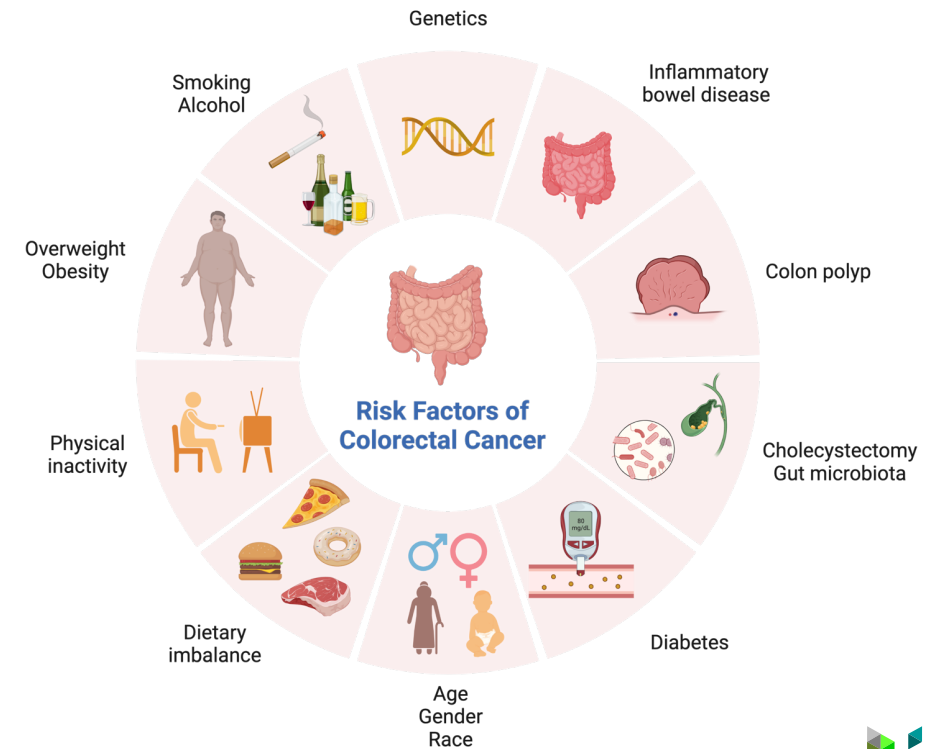
Estimated New Cases

			Males	Females			
Prostate	288,300	29%			Breast	297,790	31%
Lung & bronchus	117,550	12%			Lung & bronchus	120,790	13%
Colon & rectum	81,860	8%			Colon & rectum	71,160	8%
Urinary bladder	62,420	6%			Uterine corpus	66,200	7%
Melanoma of the skin	58,120	6%			Melanoma of the skin	39,490	4%
Kidney & renal pelvis	52,360	5%			Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	35,670	4%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	44,880	4%			Thyroid	31,180	3%
Oral cavity & pharynx	39,290	4%			Pancreas	30,920	3%
Leukemia	35,670	4%			Kidney & renal pelvis	29,440	3%
Pancreas	33,130	3%			Leukemia	23,940	3%
All Sites	1,010,310	100%			All Sites	948,000	100%

Estimated Deaths

			Males	Females			
Lung & bronchus	67,160	21%			Lung & bronchus	59,910	21%
Prostate	34,700	11%			Breast	43,170	15%
Colon & rectum	28,470	9%			Colon & rectum	24,080	8%
Pancreas	26,620	8%			Pancreas	23,930	8%
Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	19,000	6%			Ovary	13,270	5%
Leukemia	13,900	4%			Uterine corpus	13,030	5%
Esophagus	12,920	4%			Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	10,380	4%
Urinary bladder	12,160	4%			Leukemia	9,810	3%
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	11,780	4%			Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	8,400	3%
Brain & other nervous system	11,020	3%			Brain & other nervous system	7,970	3%
All Sites	322,080	100%			All Sites	287,740	100%

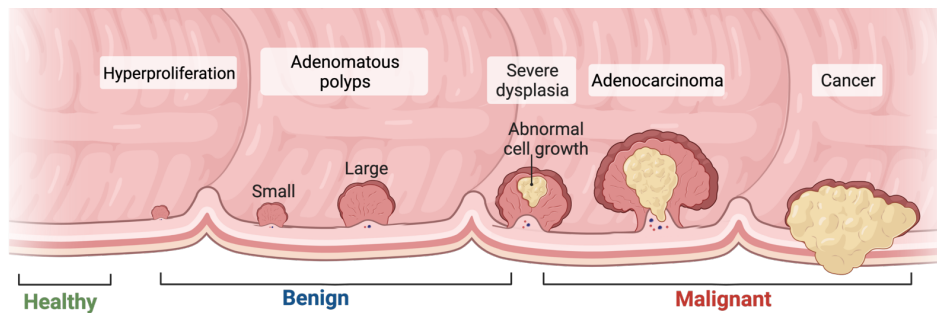
Cancer Statistics 2023. CA Cancer J Clin 2023



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Classification & Monitoring Methods of CRC



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	Endoscopy based	Stool based
Invasive	✓	✗
High sensitivity	✓	✗
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Non-invasive	✗	✓
Low sensitivity	✗	✓



Screening Methods approved by EU



Colonoscopy



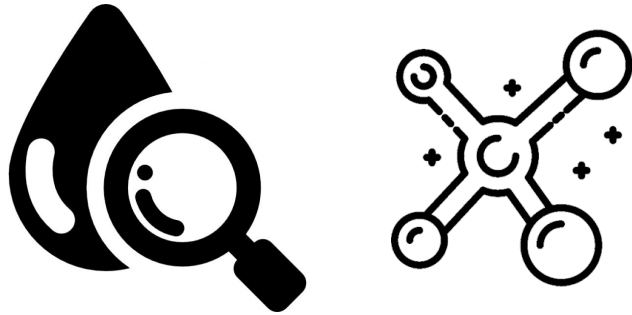
Flexible Sigmoidoscopy



gFOBT
FIT

There is space for alternative low invasive techniques!





Blood Metabolomics & Lipidomics (Colorectal Cancer)

Omics Cascade

Genomics

DNA



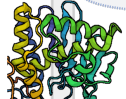
Transcriptomics

RNA



Proteomics

Proteins



Metabolomics

Metabolites

What can happen?

What appears to be happening?

What makes it happen?

What has happened and is happening?

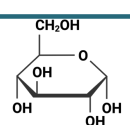
Lipidomics

Lipids



Glycomics

Sugars



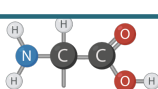
Nucleotidomics

Nucleotides



Aminoacidomics

Amino acids



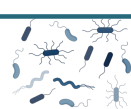
Volatomics

VOCs



Microbiomics

Microbiomes



branches of metabolomics

newer branches of omics



Can GC(xGC)-MS be used ?



Analytical Strategy



Minimally invasive
sampling

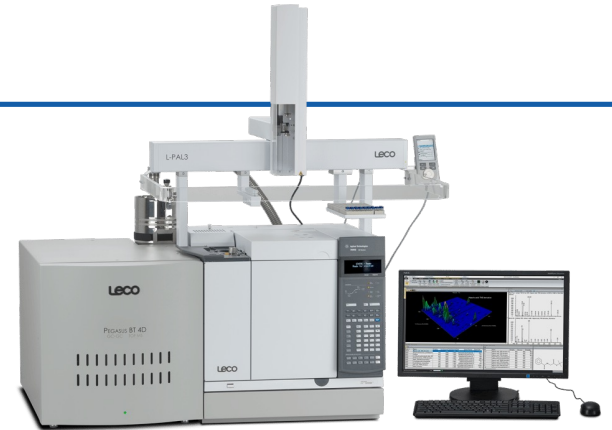


Global
metabolomics

Lipidomics



Analysis



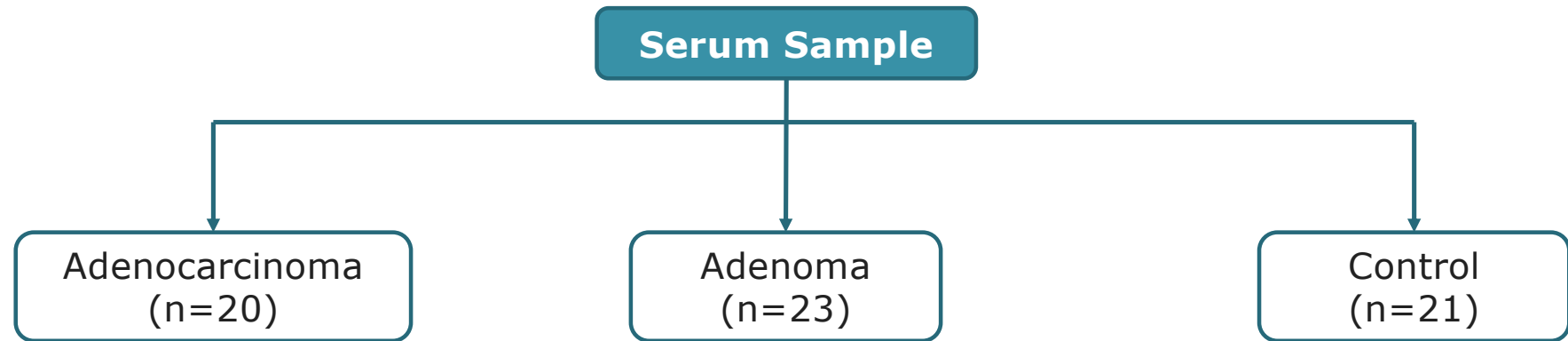
Large scale screening



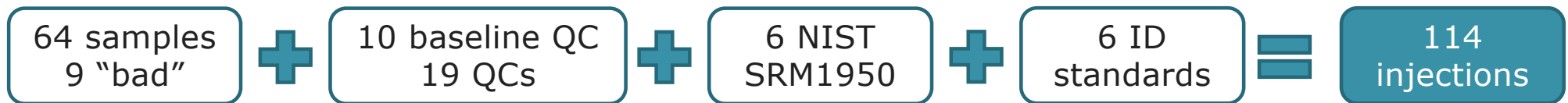
Identification and annotation



Sample Categories



How does it translate in analytical count?



2 methods → 228 injections



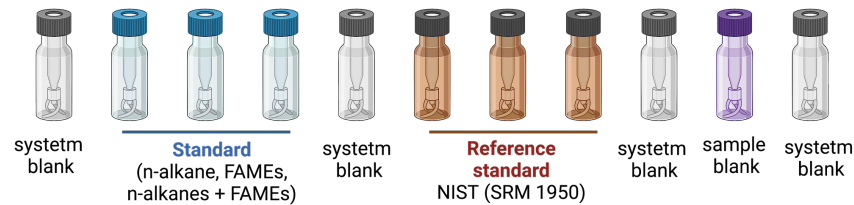
QA/QC Implementation



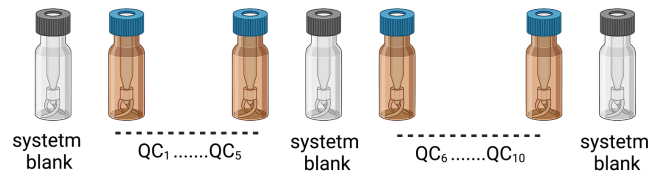
Quality assurance and quality control reporting in untargeted metabolic phenotyping: mQACC recommendations for analytical quality management

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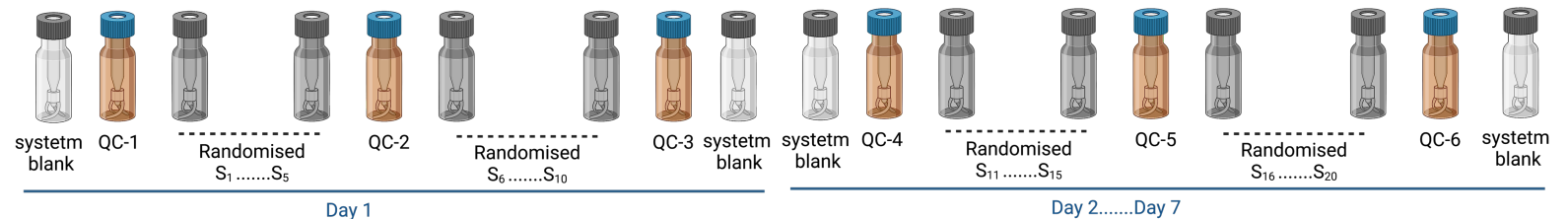
Step-1
Identification assurance, check for carry over



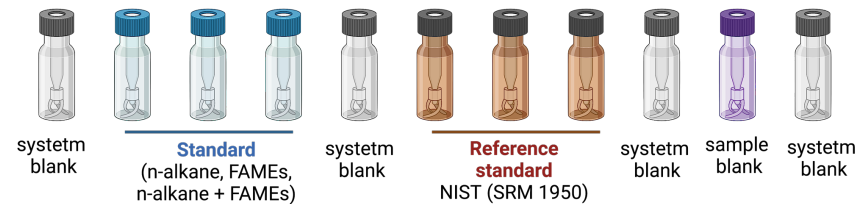
Step-2
Baseline for QC Chart



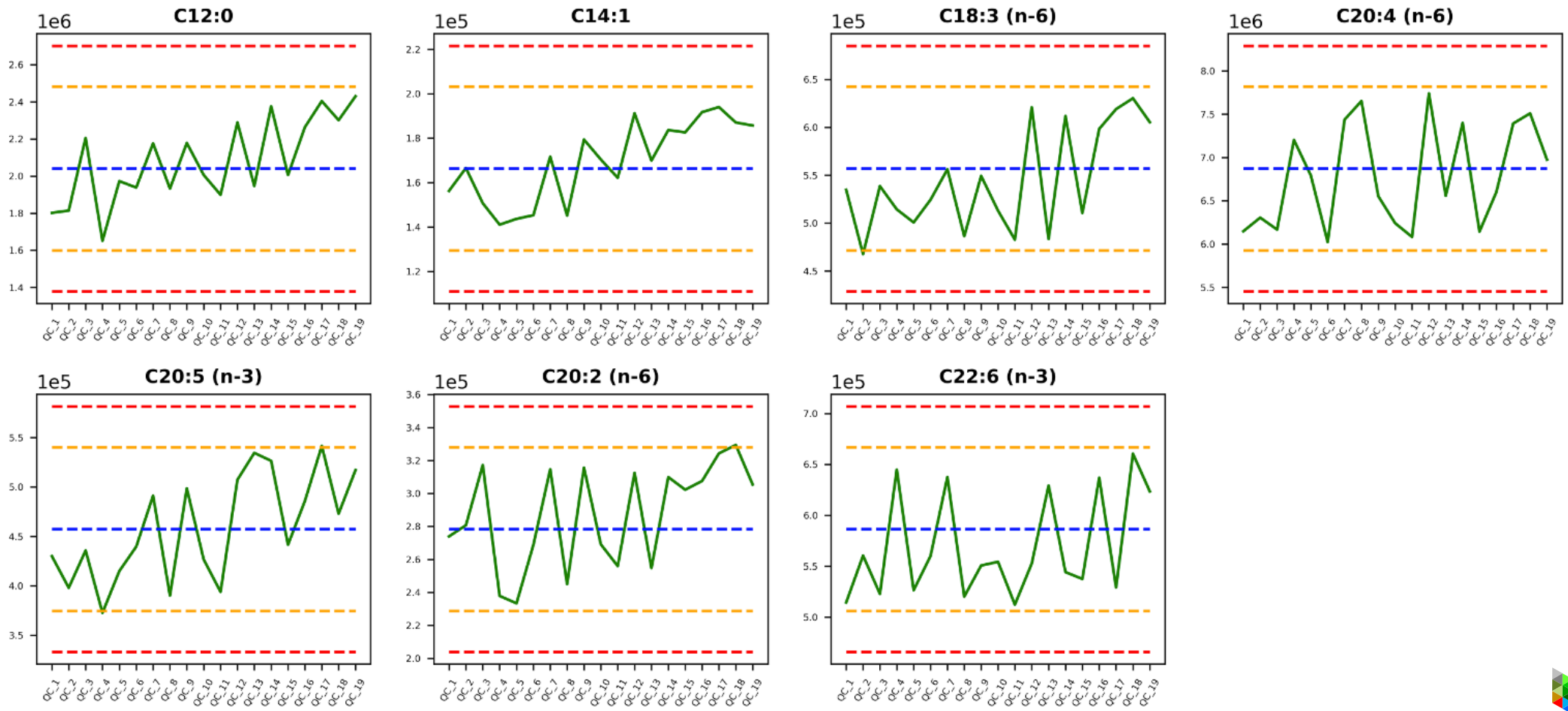
Step-3
Randomized sample analysis with QC samples



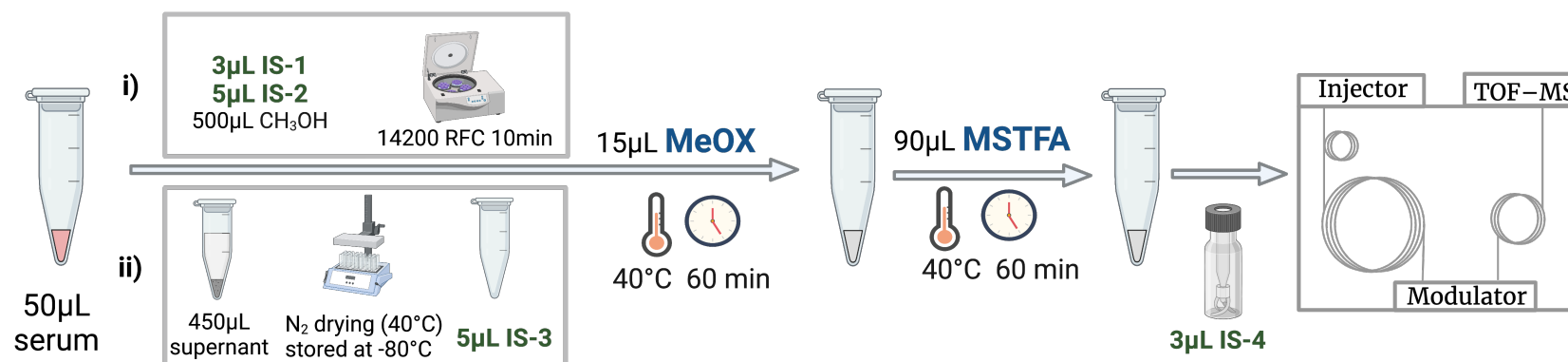
Step-4
Repeating step 1 to check the system stability



QC Charting Lipidomics Pooled Human Plasma



Sample Preparation Workflow (Metabolomics)



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Untargeted Serum Metabolic Profiling by Comprehensive Two-Dimensional Gas Chromatography–High-Resolution Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometry

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Supporting Information

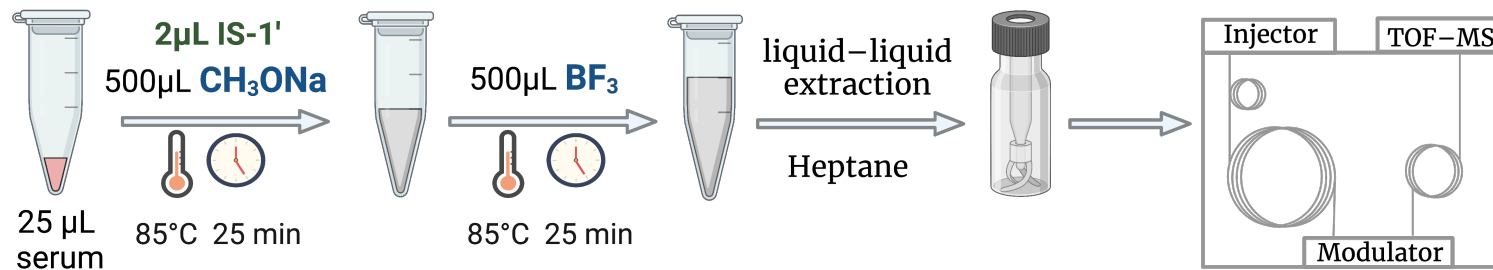
230 analytes (a.a., RCOOH, carboH, FAMEs, nucleosides)



8 selected features



Sample Preparation Workflow (Lipidomics)



metabolites

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Lipid Serum Profiling of Boar-Tainted and Untainted Pigs Using GC×GC-TOFMS: An Exploratory Study

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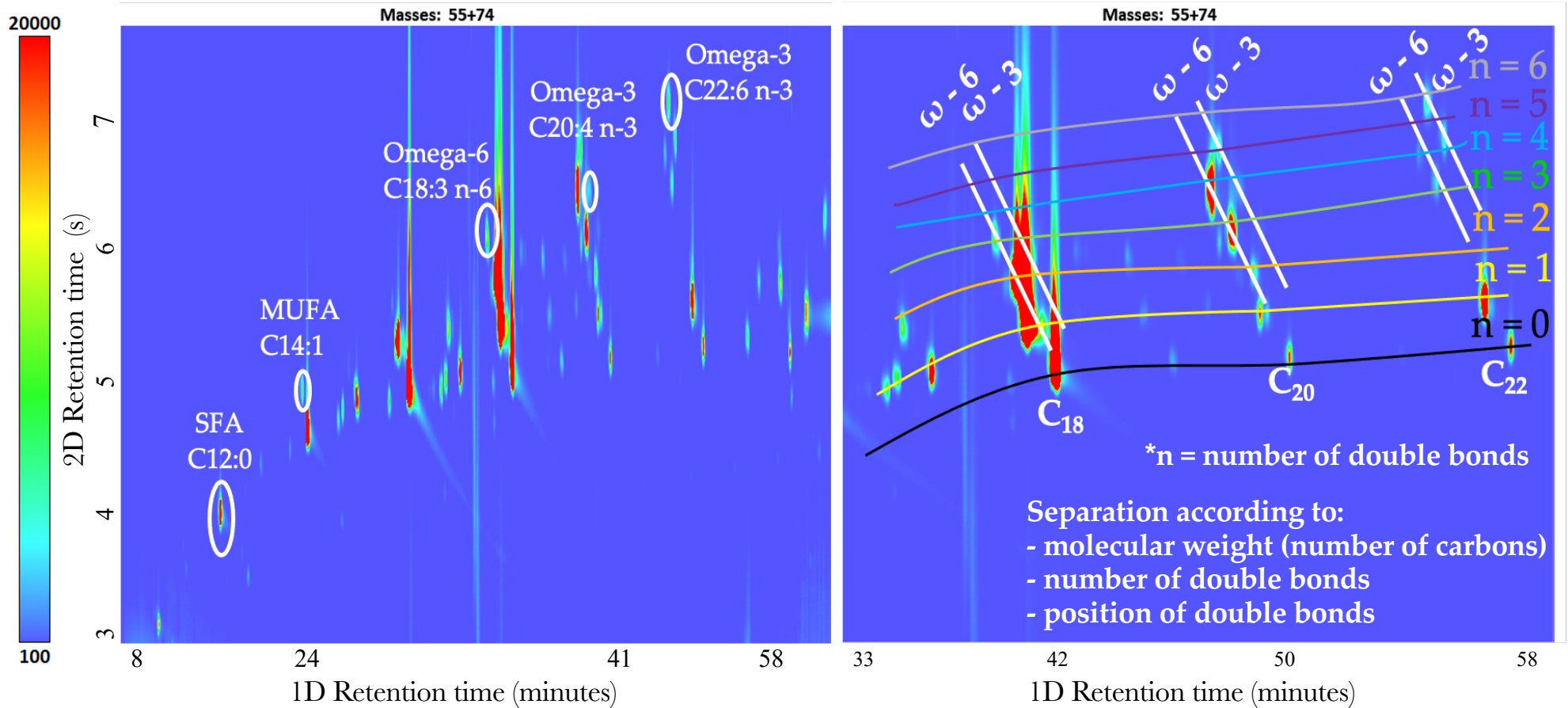
40 analytes (FAMES)



8 selected features



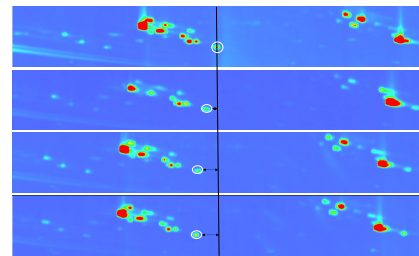
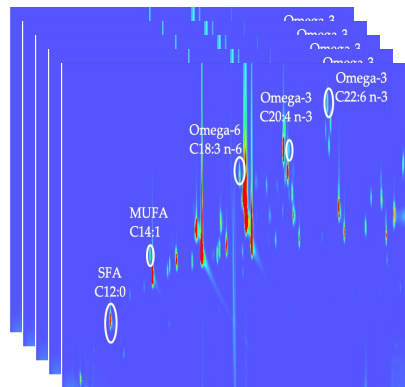
Structured Separation of FAMES (NIST SRM 1950)



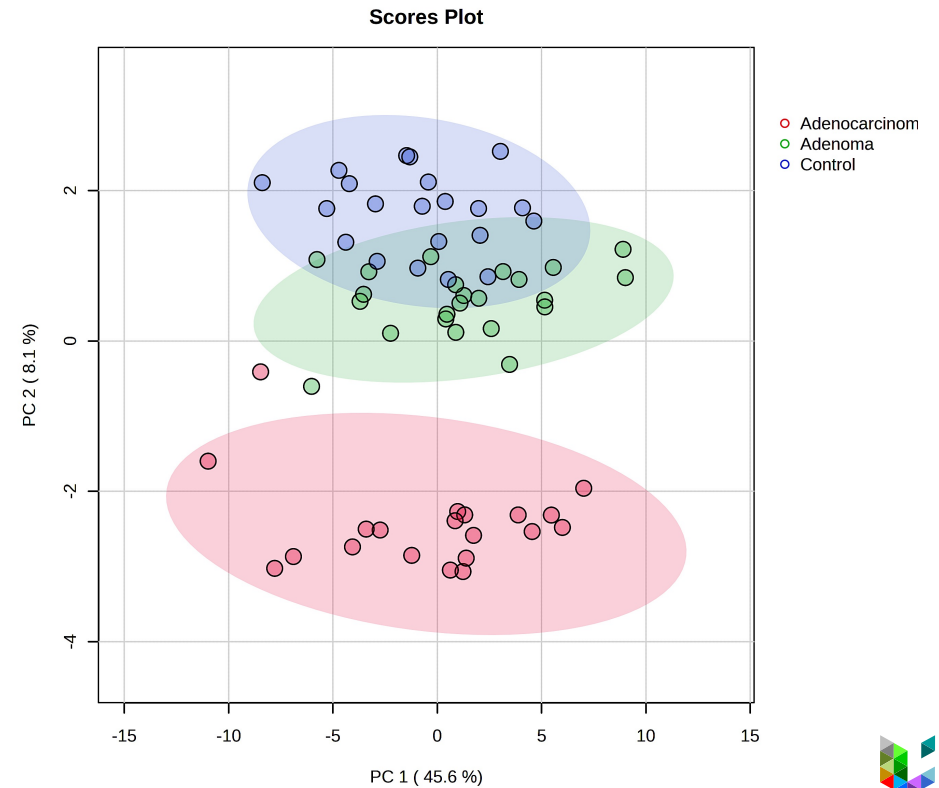
Unsupervised Lipidomics PCA

40 analytes (13 SFA, 9 MUFA, 6 PUFA ω -3, 8 PUFA ω -6, 1 PUFA ω -9, 3 cholestadiene isomers)

Alignment and pre-processing



Unsupervised screening



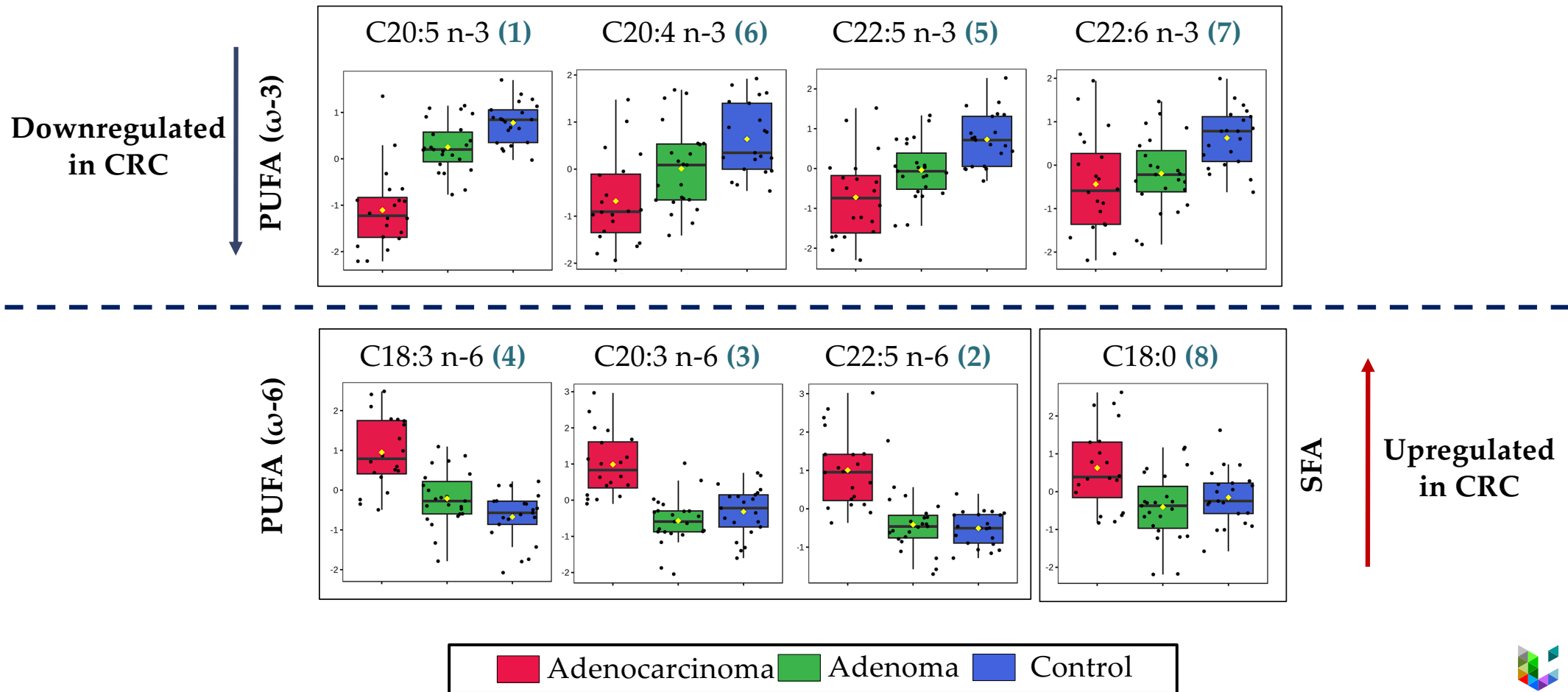
Feature Selection Lipidomics (PLS-DA, RF)

Top 8 selected features

Potential ID	Class	CAS	Similarity	Reverse	Probability (%)	Δ LRI	Mass accuracy (ppm)	(FDR)<0.05	VIP Score (>1)	RF, MDA (>0.008)
C20:4 n-3	PUFA (ω -3)	132712-70-0	882	875	30.1	12	-	2.6×10^{-4}	1.9847	0.019331
C20:5 n-3*	PUFA (ω -3)	2734-47-6	890	892	58.5	8	-1.17	1.1×10^{-11}	2.8251	0.079084
C22:5 n-3	PUFA (ω -3)	108698-02-8	851	851	74.1	13	-	5.3×10^{-3}	2.1896	0.032492
C22:6 n-3*	PUFA (ω -3)	2566-90-7	900	910	72.9	16	-1.01	2.0×10^{-3}	1.6093	0.019366
C18:3 n-6*	PUFA (ω -6)	16326-32-2	875	875	56.3	11	0.74	9.7×10^{-8}	2.4366	0.046362
C20:3 n-6*	PUFA (ω -6)	21061-10-9	919	907	69.7	12	-1.03	7.5×10^{-8}	1.9479	0.036985
C22:5 n-6	PUFA (ω -6)	-	897	883	28.6	18	-	7.5×10^{-8}	2.2631	0.044829
C18:0*	SFA	112-61-8	925	955	84.3	1	0.37	7.0×10^{-3}	1.1598	0.0087911

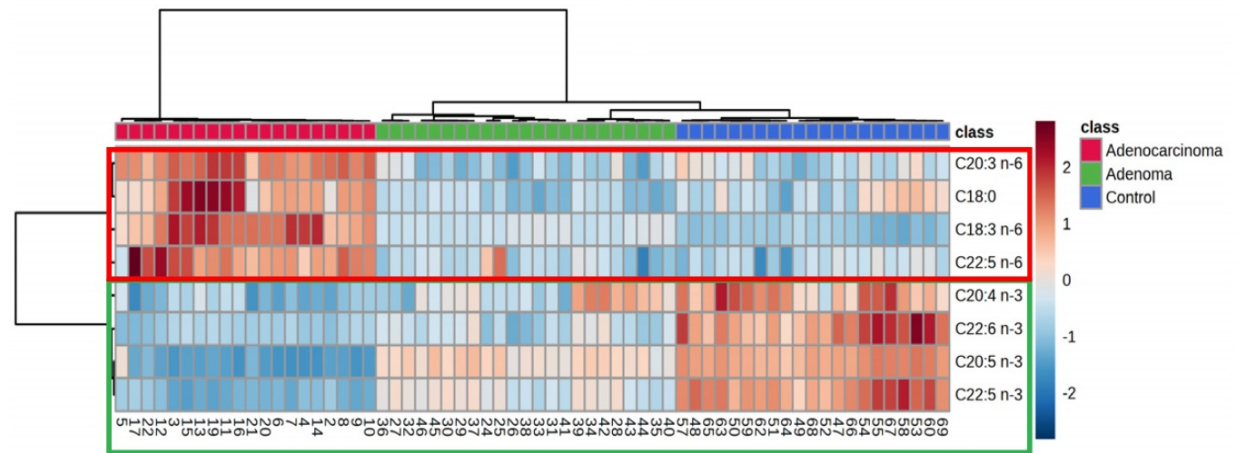
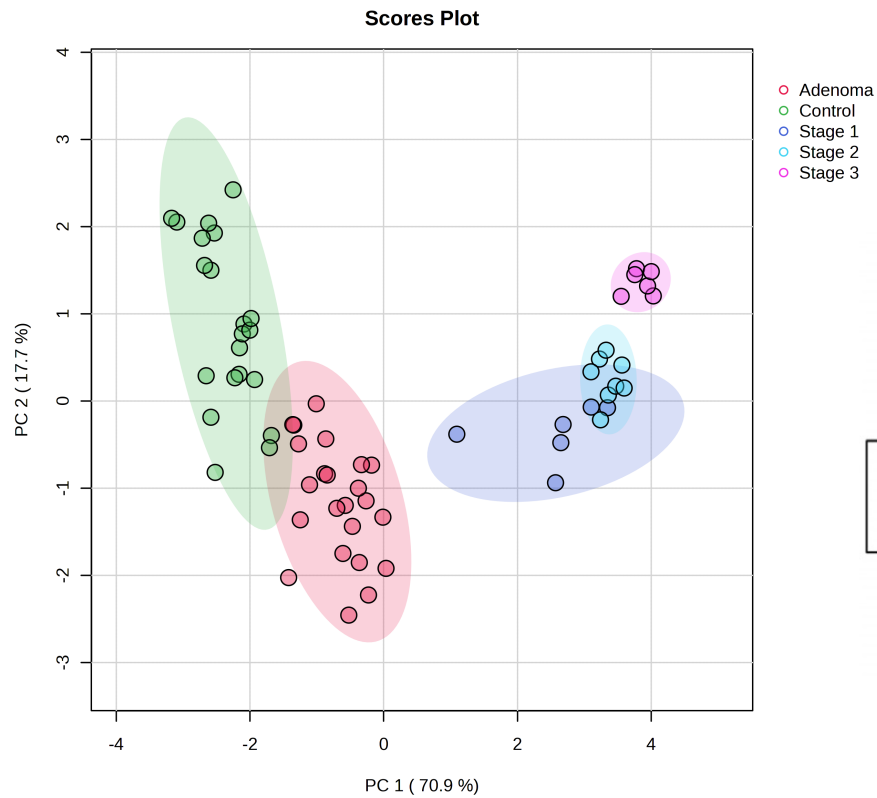


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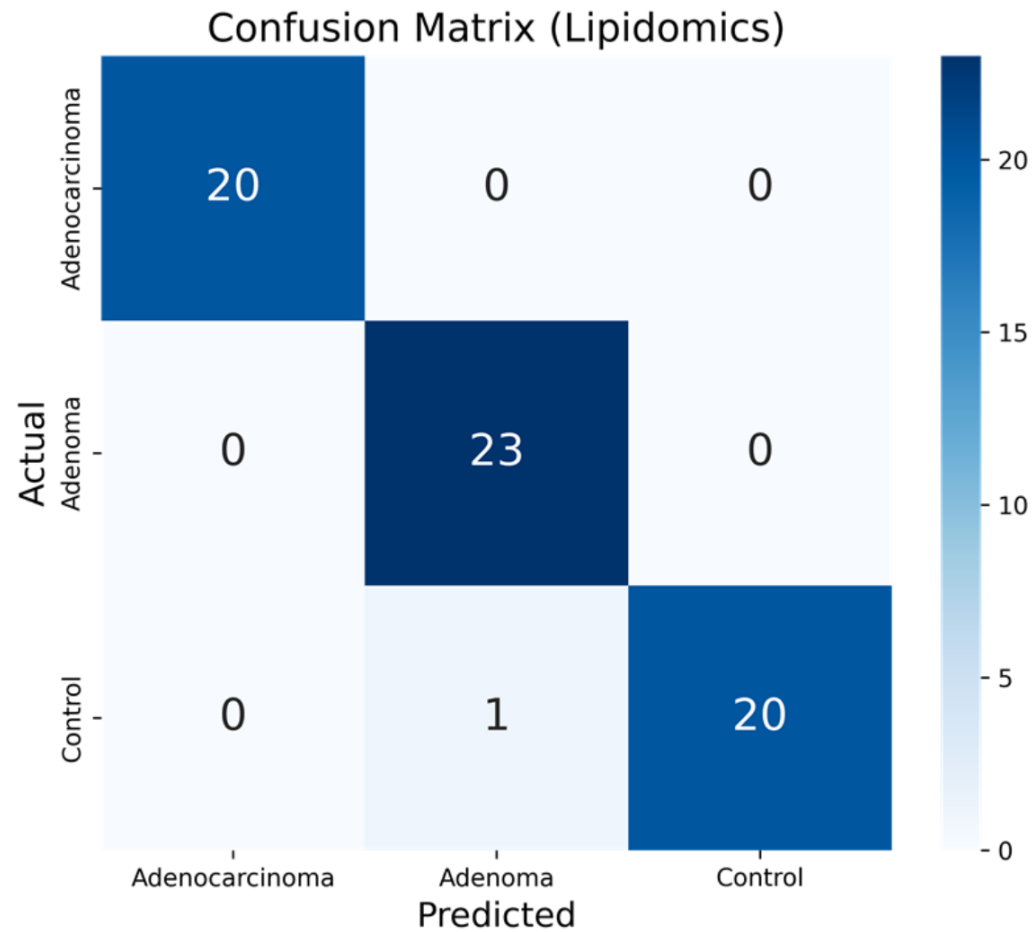


Feature Selection Lipidomics (PLS-DA, RF) PCA

Top 8 selected features



Random Forest Cross-Validation Lipidomics

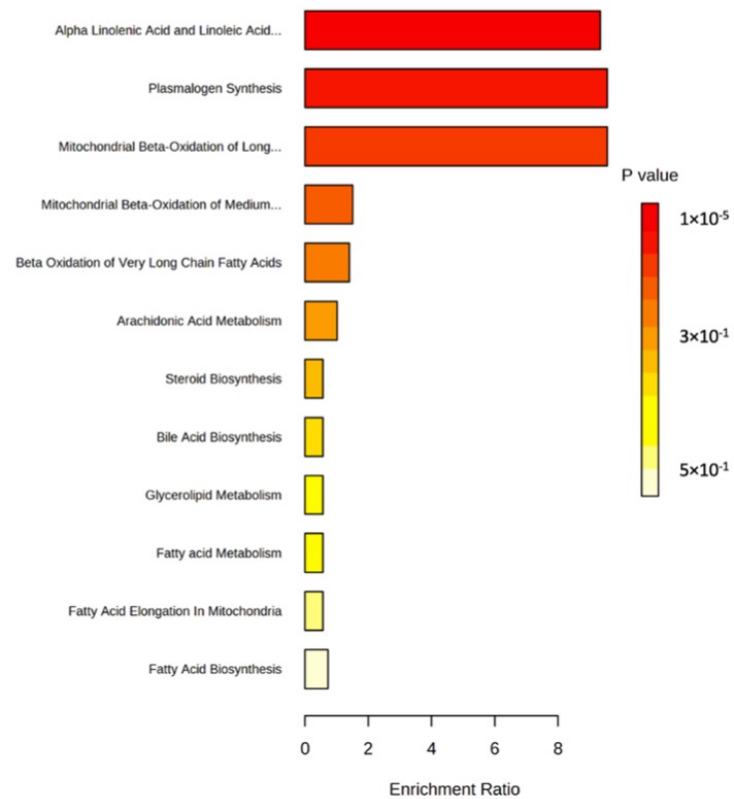


Random selection
2/3 data set for building
1/3 data for validation

OOB error 0,015



Quantitative Enrichment Analysis (QEA)

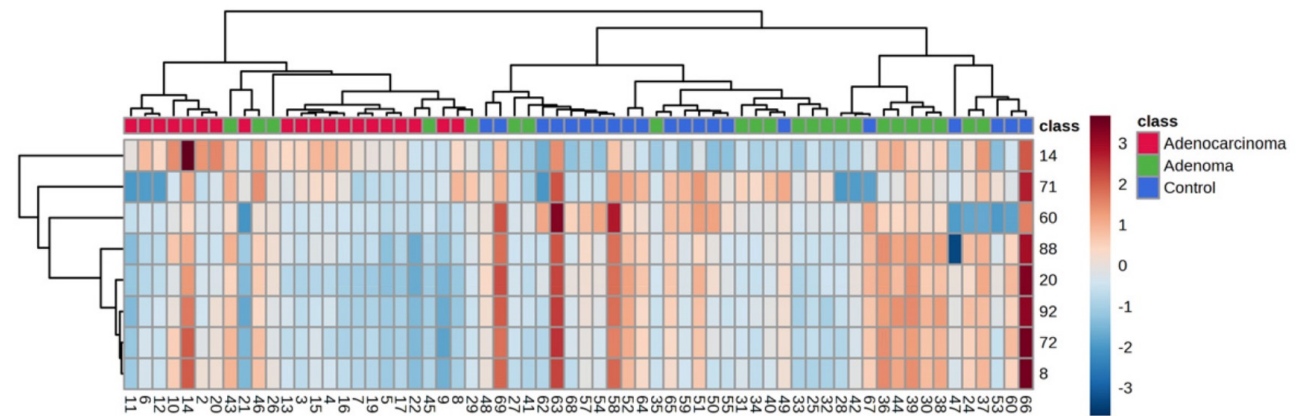
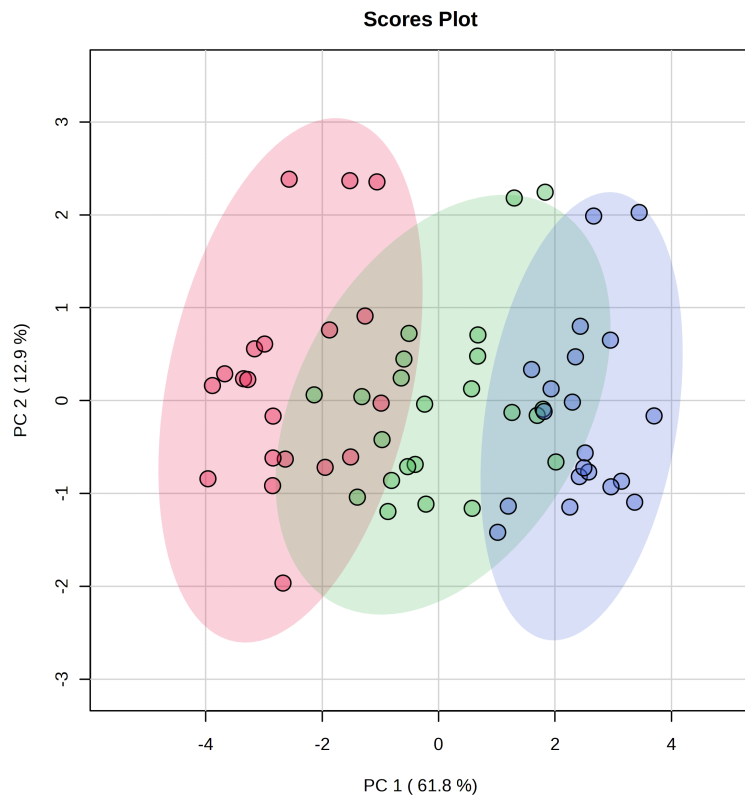


Lipidomics



Feature Selection Metabolomics (PLS-DA, RF) PCA

Top 105 selected features



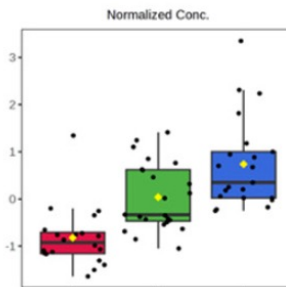
Feature Selection Metabolomics (PLS-DA, RF)

Top 8 features

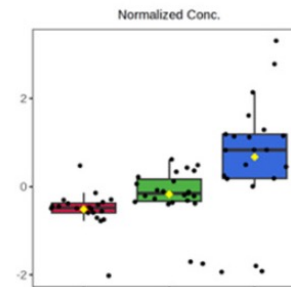
6 a.a., 1 sugar,
1 acid

All
downregulated
in CRC except
one

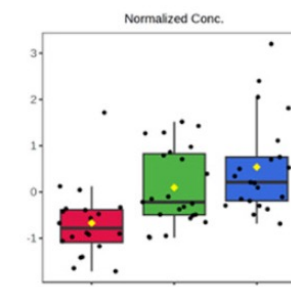
L-Valine, 2TMS
derivative (1)(20)



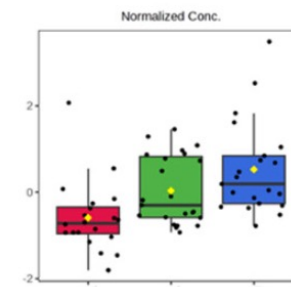
L-Glutamic acid,
3TMS derivative
(2)(60)



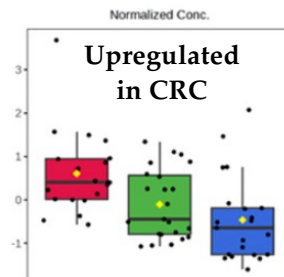
L-Tryptophan, 3TMS
derivative (3)(92)



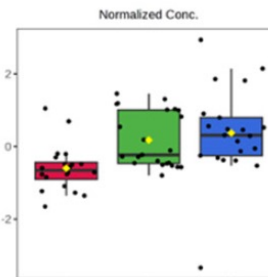
Tyrosine, 2TMS
derivative (4)(72)



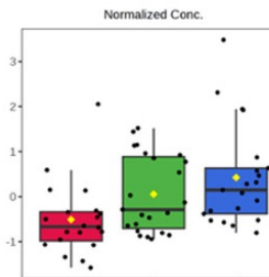
3-Hydroxybutyric acid,
2TMS derivative (5)(14)



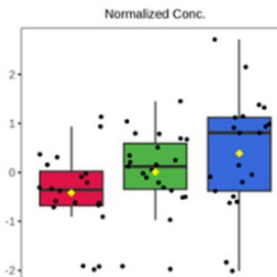
Myo-Inositol, 6TMS
derivative (6)(88)



L-Alanine, 2TMS
derivative (7)(8)



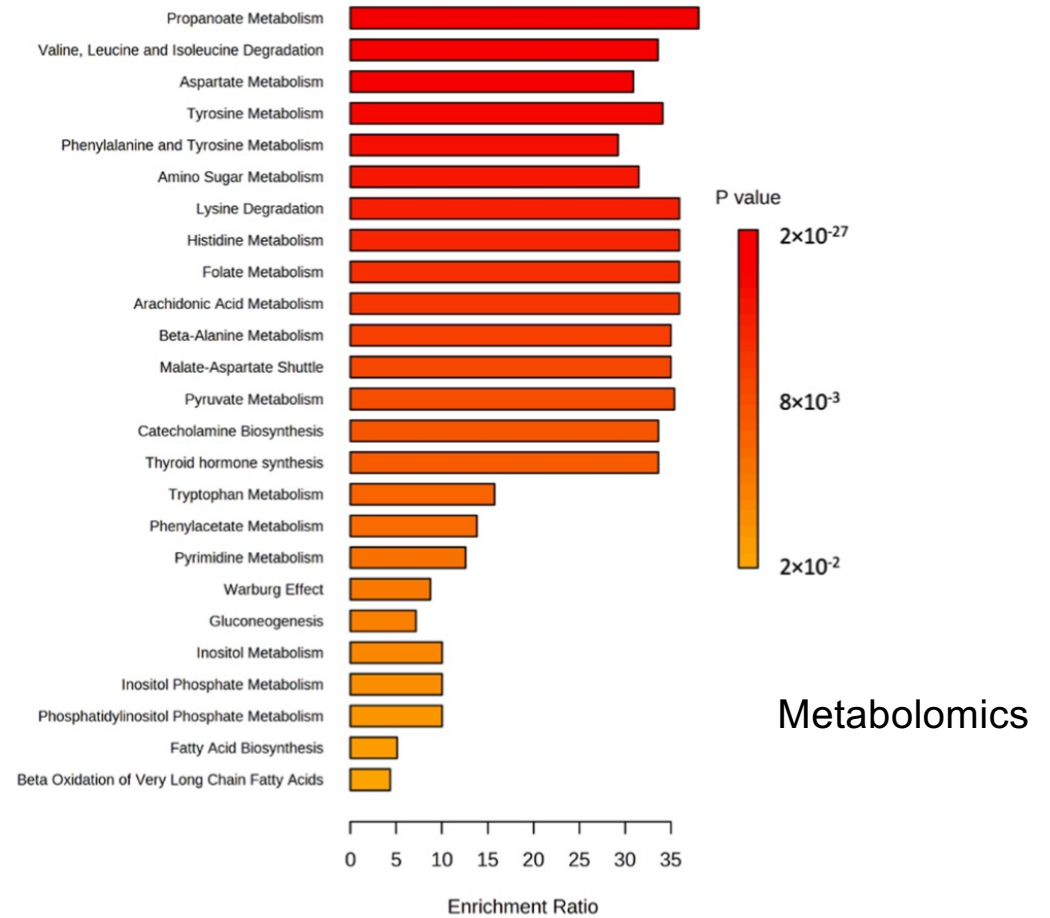
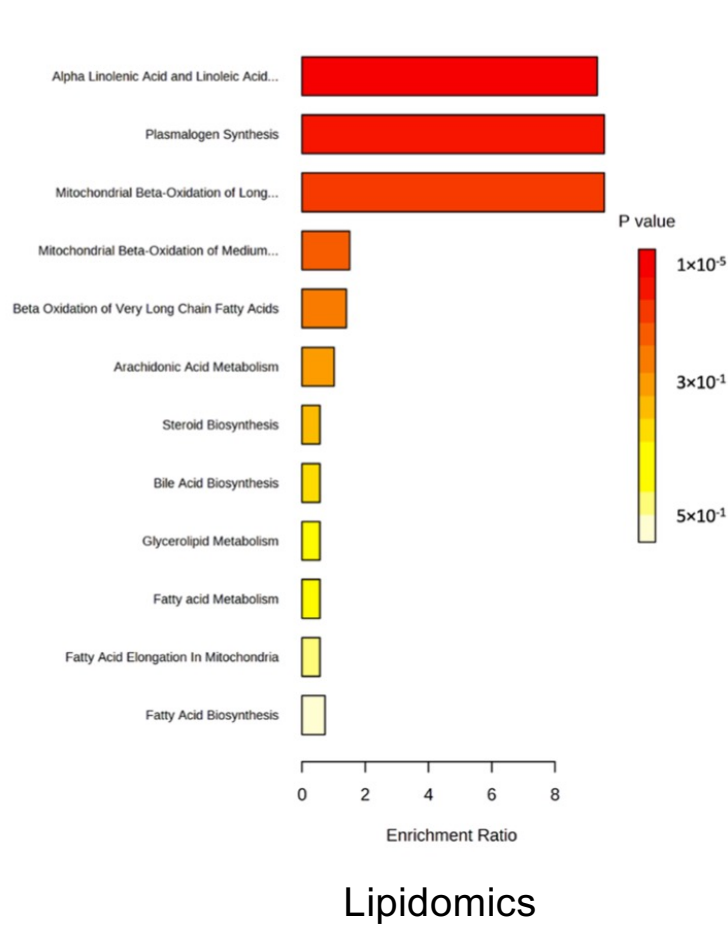
L-Methionine, 2TMS
derivative (8)(71)



Adenocarcinoma Adenoma Control



Quantitative Enrichment Analysis (QEA)



Take Home Messages: Performances

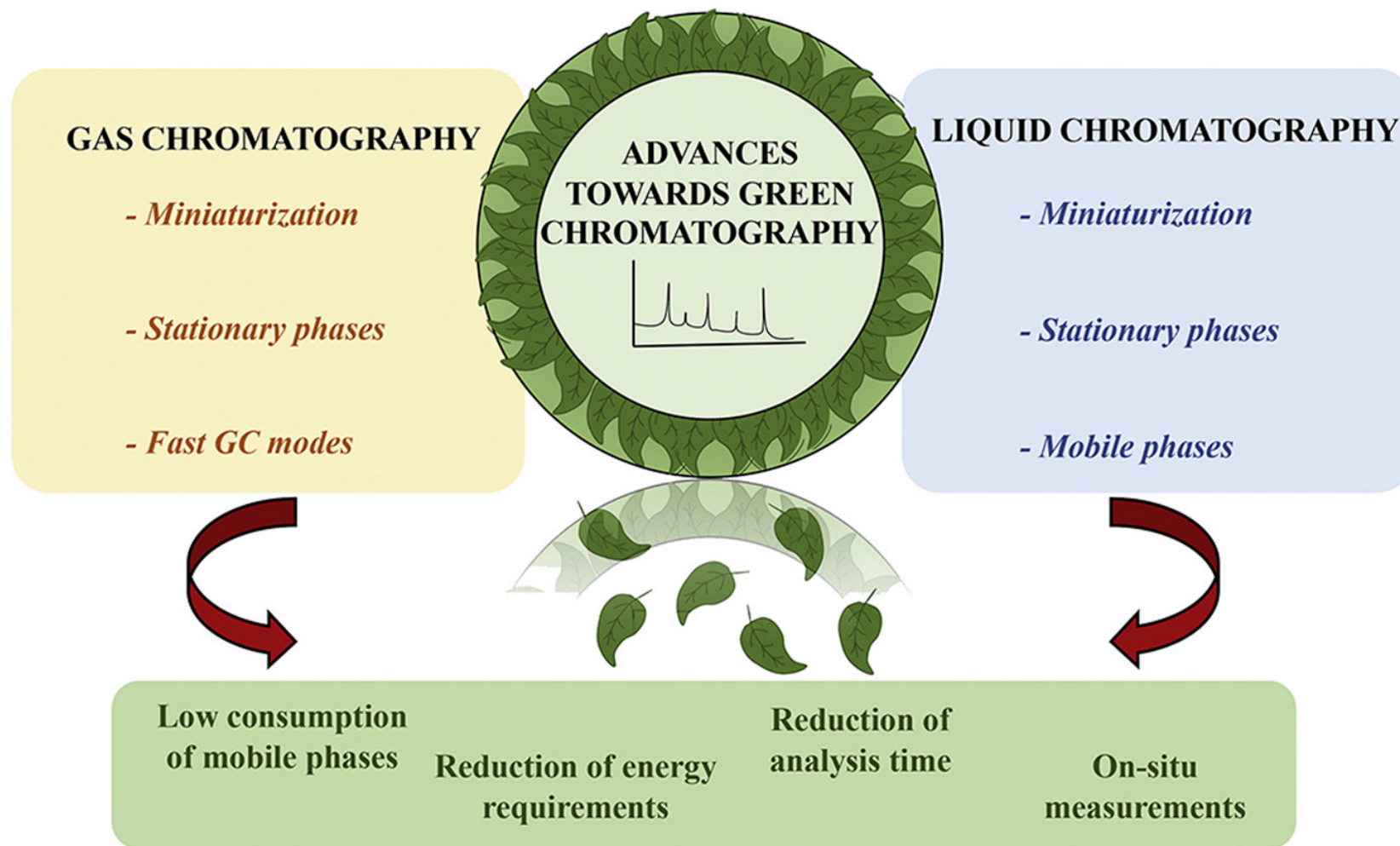
- GC×GC-(HR)TOFMS can contribute to the study CRC metabolomics/lipidomics
- Complementary QEA can be performed (different pathways)
- Lipidomics gives insights on cancer stages...
- Lipidomics is faster and readily automated
- Lipidomics is more easily transferable to ¹DGC-MS
- Metabolomics is more comprehensive...



Take Home Messages: How Green is all this ?

- 'Quick and dirty' estimates...
- GC×GC-(HR)TOFMS = MS 1 Kwh + GC 3 Kwh (GC×GC option 0.3 kW) (CF 1.5kW) + Computer 0.5 Kwh = 4.8 Kwh/day (LECO Corp.)
- LC-MS/MS = 5 Kwh/day (my greenlab.org)
- GC-MSD = 8 Kwh/day (Agilent)
- ... need for some accurate 'apple to apple comparison'





Application of green metrics?!

Recent efforts to increase greenness in chromatography, Napolitano-Tabares et al., 2021



Advances towards green chromatography

Gas chromatography

Miniaturization

Micro-chip GC
Portable GC

Fast GC mode

Low-pressure
Low thermal mass

Stationary phases

Column sizes
Nature

*Low consumption
of mobile phases*

*Reduction of energy
requirements*

*Reduction of
analysis times*

*On-site
measurements*

Liquid chromatography

Miniaturization

Capillary LC
Micro-chip HPLC
Portable HPLC
Sequential LC

Mobile phases

H₂O:EtOH
Micelles of surfactants (MLC)
CO₂ (SFC)

Stationary phases

Column sizes
Nature

Current Opinion in Green and Sustainable Chemistry



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