



Expanding Skyline's Capabilities to Small Molecule Data Analysis



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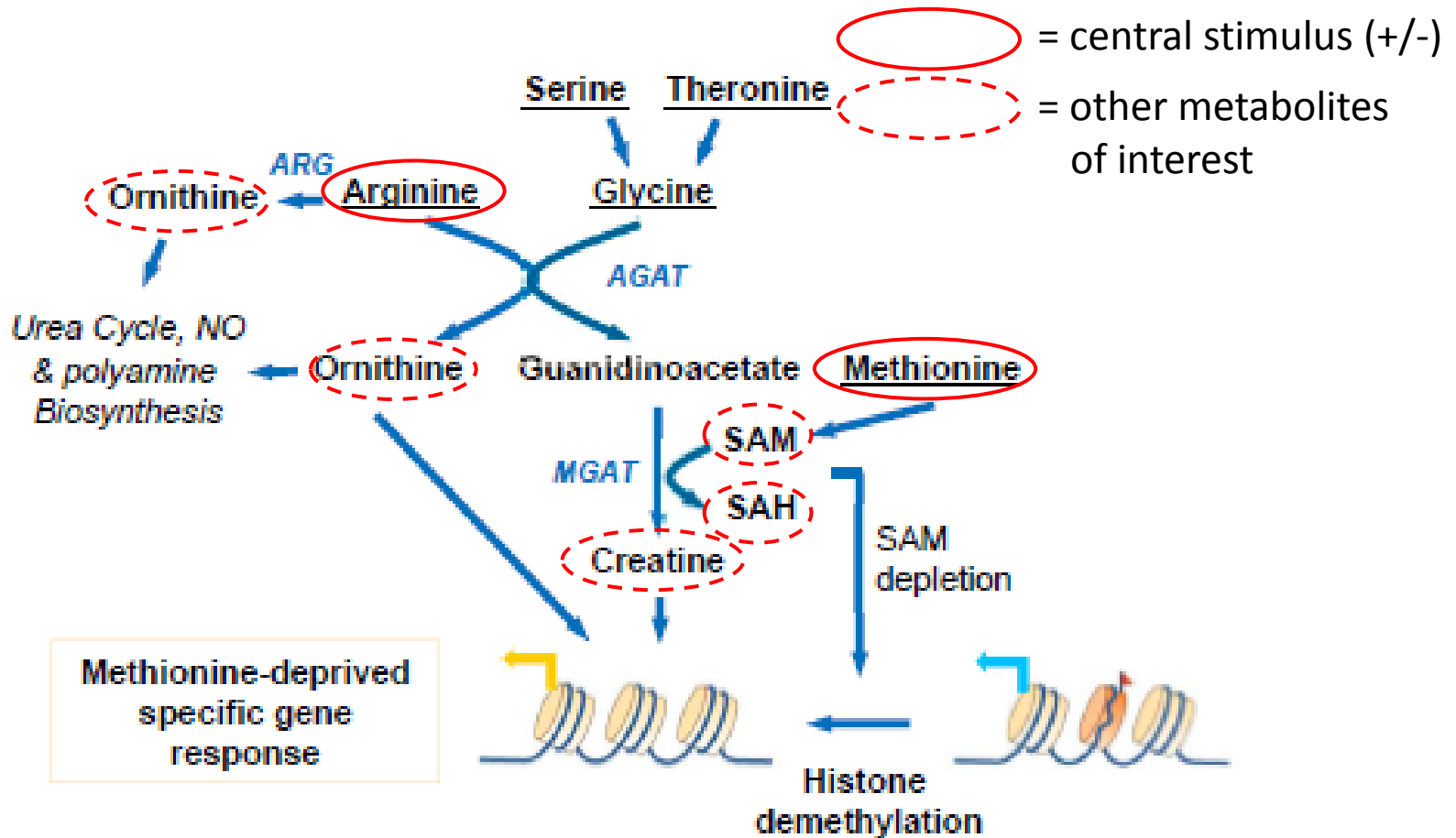
Goals and Objectives

- Growth of Skyline utilization in our lab
- How to create a Skyline document for small molecule applications
- Exemplar small molecule workflows
- Skyline – future additions and features to aid metabolomics community

Skyline Utilization

- Duke Proteomics Core began using Skyline for targeted proteomics in mid-2010
 - Backbone for all of our SRM and PRM pipelines
- Routinely use it as a system suitability/QC tool on all mass spectrometers
- Early 2013 - development of metabolomics platforms, and deployment soon thereafter
 - Positive ion and negative ion lipid profiling, **Met-Pathway analysis**, oxylipins, **Biocrates p180 panel**, **fatty acid analysis**, bile acid panel, and **hydroxycholesterol analysis**

Targeting a Metabolite Pathway of Interest: Methionine



Polar Metabolites: Methionine Pathway Analysis

Create an Excel Flat "Library" File

Molecule List Name	Precursor Name	Precursor Formula	Precursor Charge	Precursor RT	Precursor CE	Product m/z	Product Charge
Amino Acid	Methionine	C5H12NO2S	1	2.5	15	104.07	1
Amino Acid	d3-Methionine	C5H9H'3NO2S	1	2.5	15	107.09	1
Amino Acid	Isoleucine	C6H14NO2	1	3.05	15	86.096	1
Amino Acid	Leucine	C6H14NO2	1	3.13	15	86.096	1
Amino Acid	d3-leucine	C6H11H'3NO2	1	3.13	15	89.1	1
Amino Acid	Phenylalanine	C9H12NO2	1	3.27	15	120.08	1
Amino Acid	13C6-Phenylalanine	C3C'6H12NO2	1	3.27	15	126.11	1
Amino Acid	Arginine	C6H15N4O2	1	2.01	15	116.07	1
Amino Acid	13C5-Arginine	C1C'5H15N4O2	1	2.01	15	121.11	1
Amino Acid	Ornithine	C5H13N2O2	1	1.1	15	70.07	1
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Amino Acid	d2-ornithine	C5H11H'2N2O2	1	1.1	15	72.07	1
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Organic Acid	creatine	C4H10N3O2	1	1.1	15	90.06	1
Organic Acid	d3-creatine	C4H7H'3N3O2	1	1.1	15	93.06	1
5'-methylthioadenosine	MTA	C11H16N5O3S	1	3.4	15	136.1	1
5'-methylthioadenosine	d3-MTA	C11H13H'3N5O3S	1	3.4	15	136.1	1
S-adenosyl methionine	SAM	C15H23N6O5S	1	3	15	250.11	1
S-Adenosyl homocysteine	SAH	C14H21N6O5S	1	3	15	136.08	1
Polyamine	Spermidine	C7H20N3	1	3.59	15	129.15	1
Polyamine	Spermine	C10H27N4	1	3.82	15	112.112	1

Skyline tutorial based on these data:

https://skyline.gs.washington.edu/labkey/wiki/home/software/Skyline/page.view?name=tutorial_small_molecule (April 2015)

Import into Skyline – Edit → Insert → Transition List

The screenshot shows the Skyline software interface with the 'Insert' dialog box open. The 'Transition List' tab is active, displaying a table of precursor and product ions. The table has the following columns: Molecule List Name, Precursor Name, Precursor Formula, Precursor Charge, Explicit Retention Time, Explicit Collision Energy, Product m/z, and Product Charge. The 'Small molecules' radio button is selected at the bottom of the dialog.

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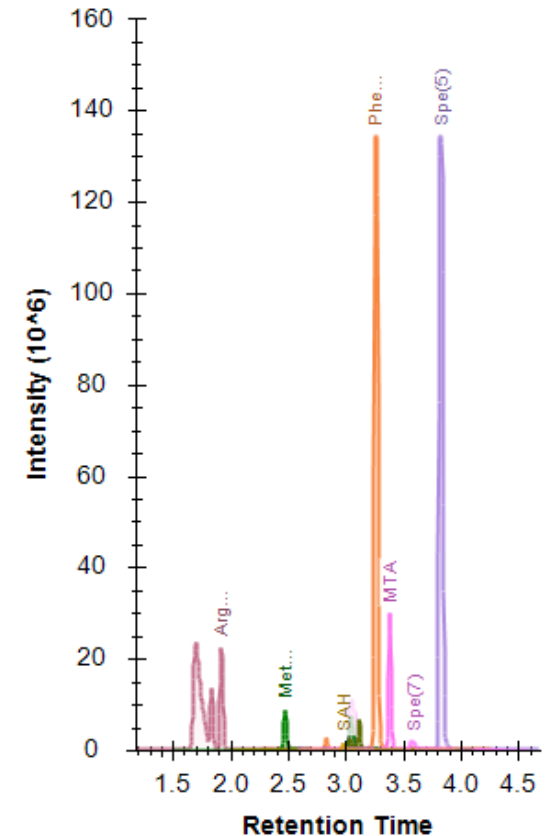
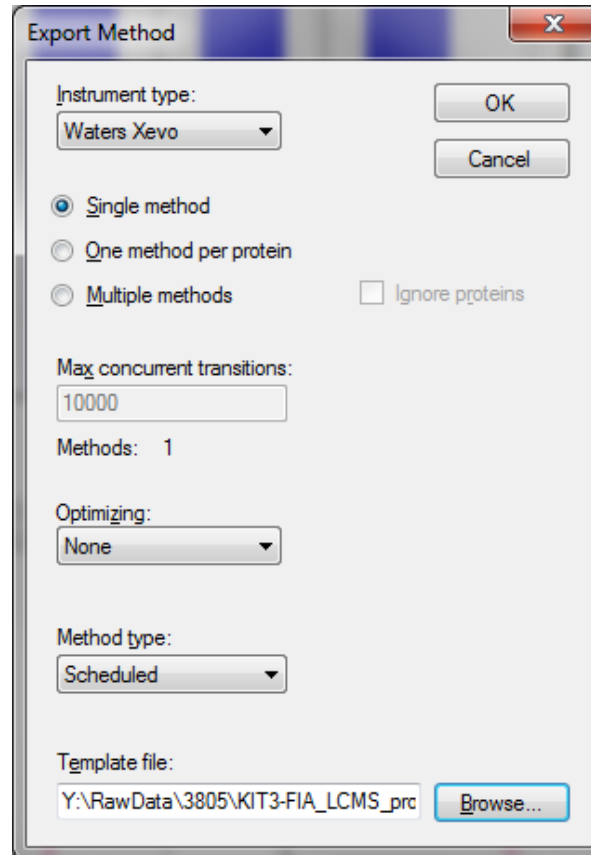
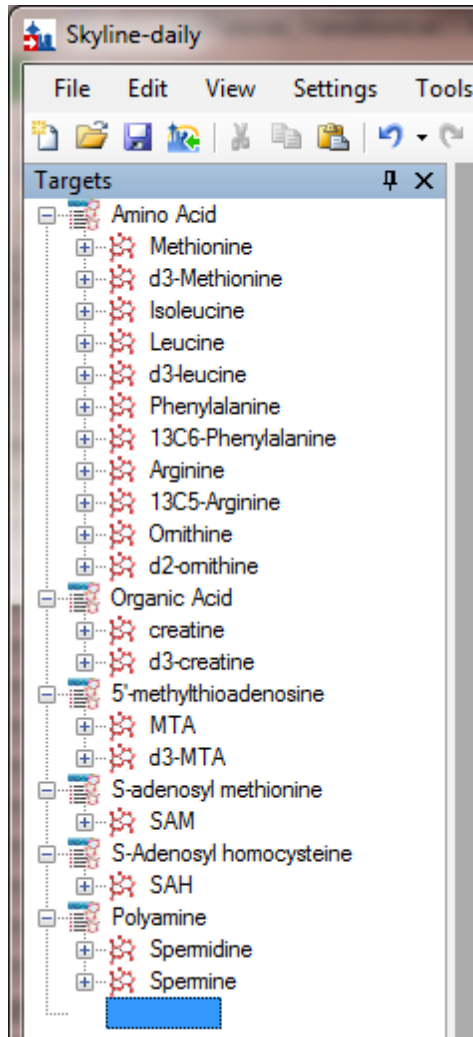
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Met-Pathway in Skyline

Skyline Document

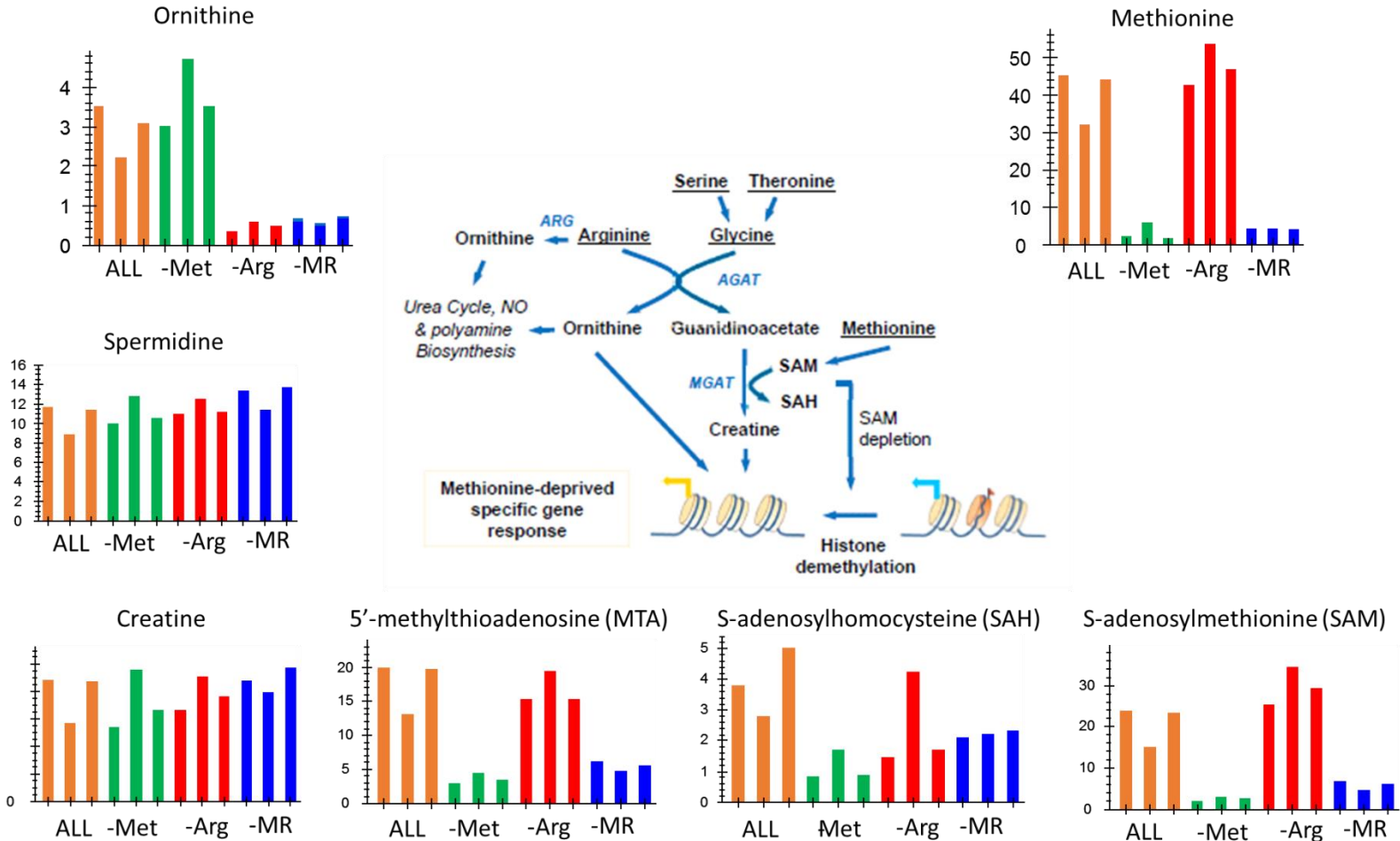
Export Transition List/Method

Import and Integrate Raw Data



See Brian Pratt's poster #414 on Mon. for additional details

Results – Met-Pathway Analysis with Amino Acid Depletion



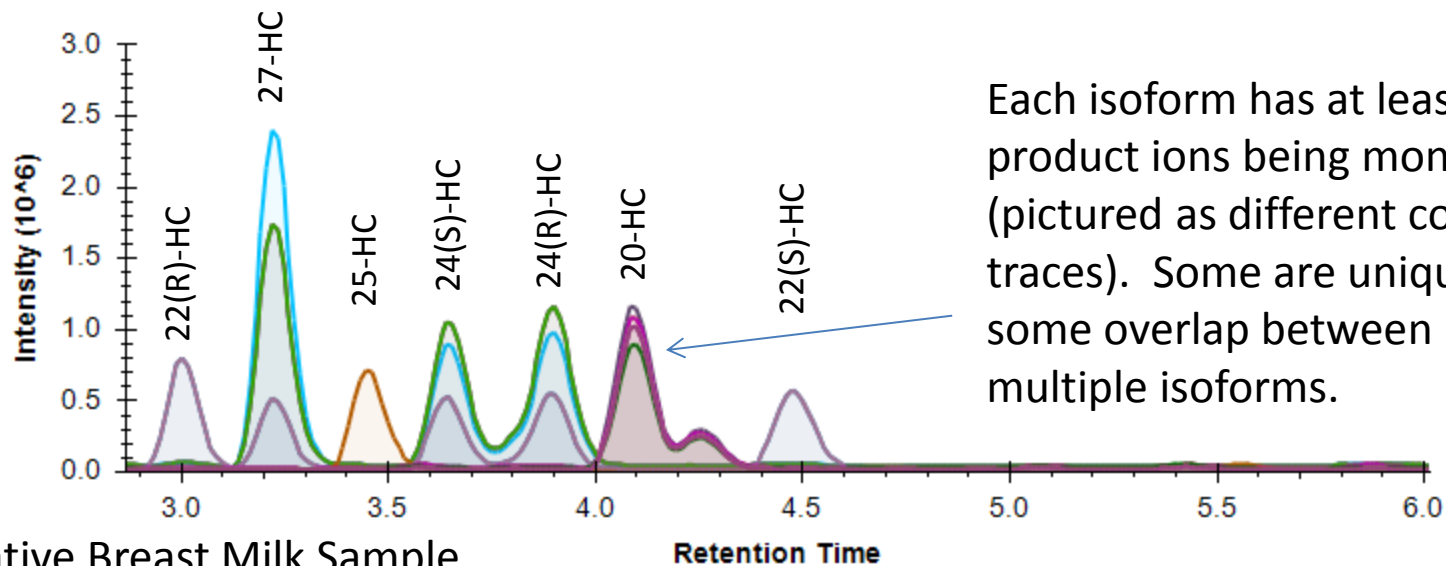
Tang X et al. (2015) Comprehensive Profiling of Amino Acid Response Uncovers Unique Methionine-Deprived Response Dependent on Intact Creatine Biosynthesis. *PLoS Genet* 11(4): e1005158. doi:10.1371/journal.pgen.1005158

Oxysterols

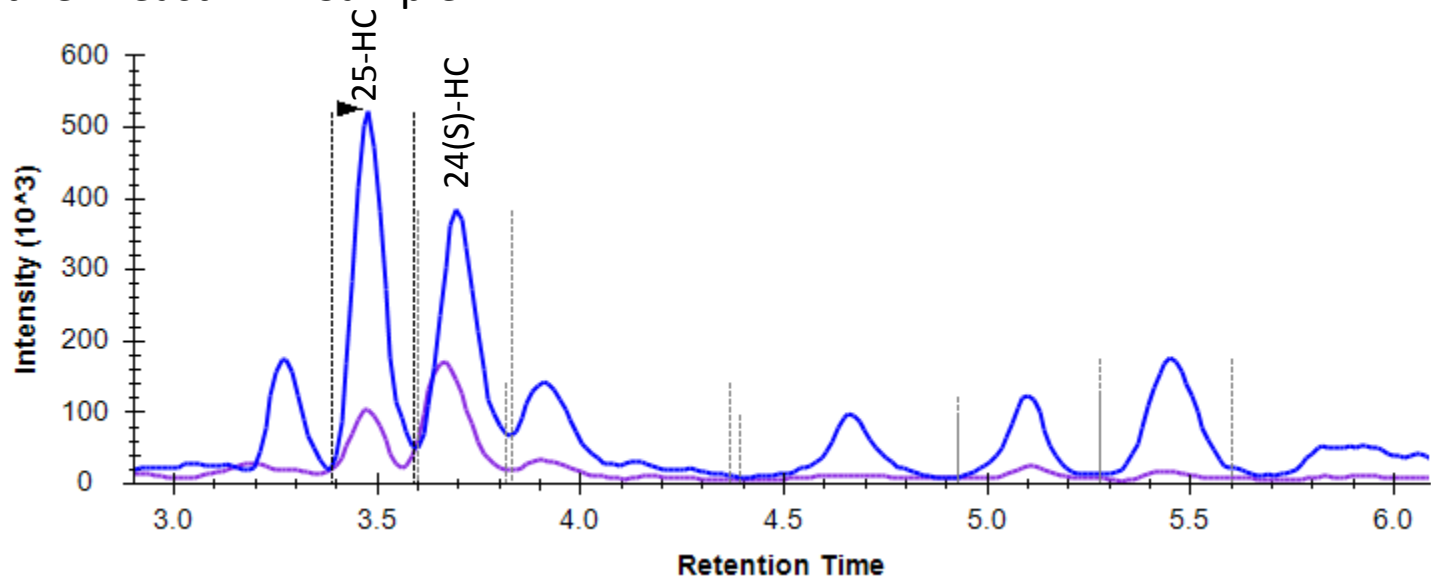
- Hydroxycholesterol method development in progress
 - Investigators interested in HCs over a range of applications (breast milk, ependymal cells, animal high-fat diet studies, engineered mammalian cells, etc.)
- Currently interested in 6 isoforms and cholesterol: 20-HC, 22(R)-HC, 22(S)-HC, 24(S/R)-HC, 25-HC, 27-HC
- Built a Skyline method that can be transferred to other labs, viewed by our PIs when reviewing data, and easily updated as development progresses (changes to chromatographic separation)

Presence of 24(S) and 25-HC in Breast Milk

Analysis of Standards Mix



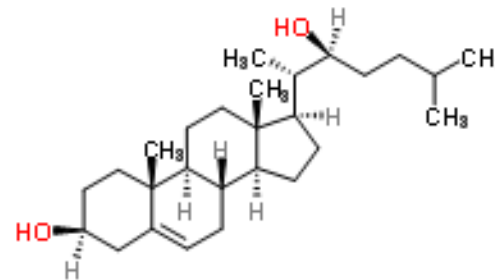
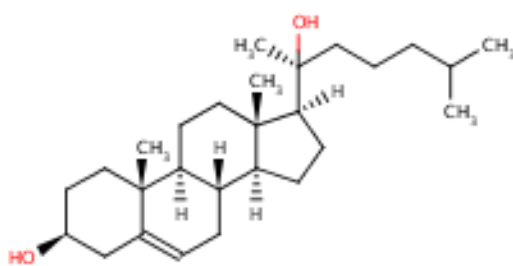
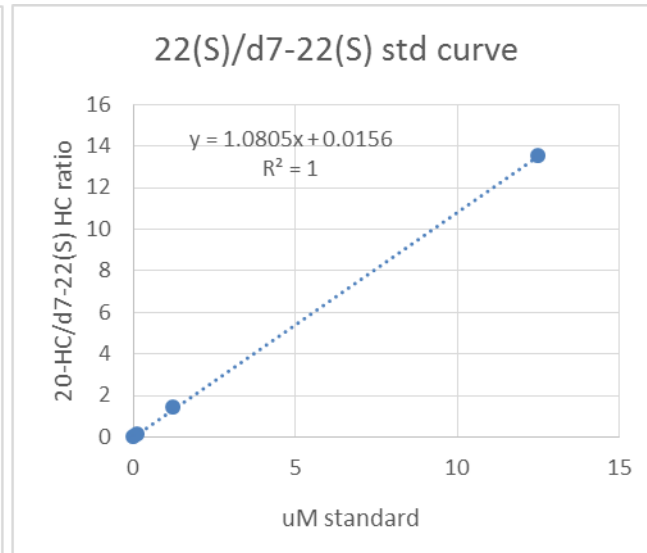
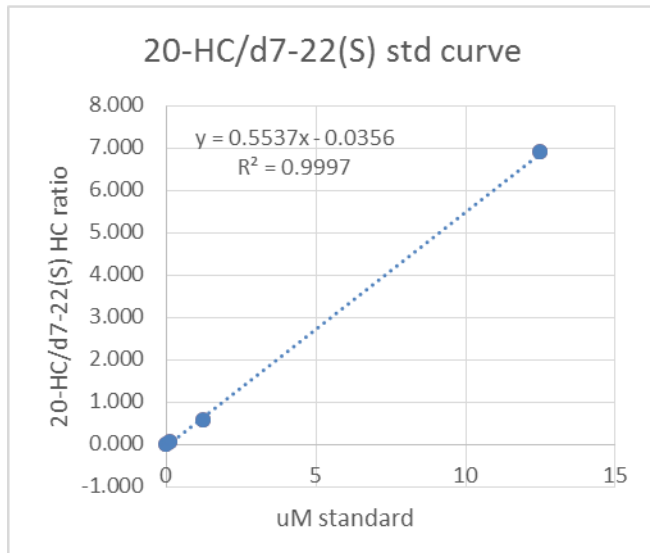
Representative Breast Milk Sample



24(S)-HC across several sample types



Standard Curves

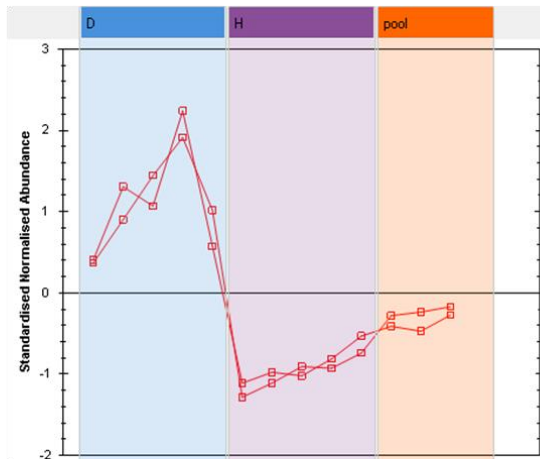


- Peak areas generated in Skyline but 3-point standard curves were generated from an export to Excel
 - Future Skyline feature

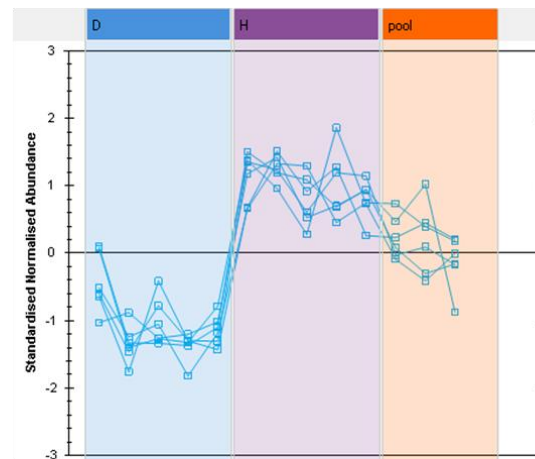
Using Skyline for Lipidomics Verification

- Cancer cell line under drug treatment
 - UPLC coupled to Synapt G2 HDMS system for high res differential lipidomics analysis
 - 5 biological reps
 - Data analyzed in Progenesis Q1
- A cluster of compounds was differentially expressed and putatively identified in Progenesis Q1, showing several fatty acids:

Downregulated with Drug



Upregulated with Drug

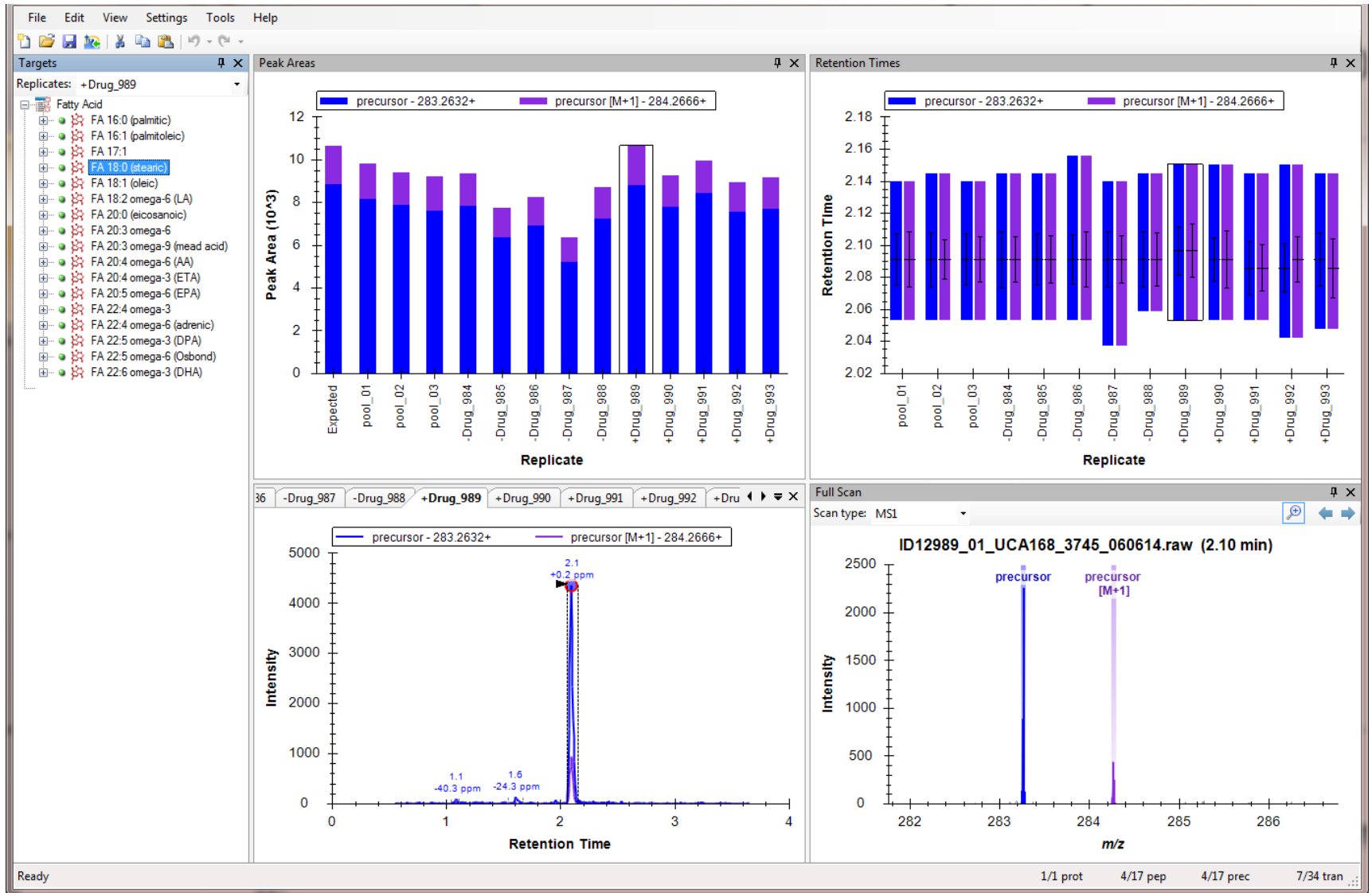


**See Will
Thompson's poster
#251 on Wed. for
additional details**

Accepted Compound ID	Accepted Description
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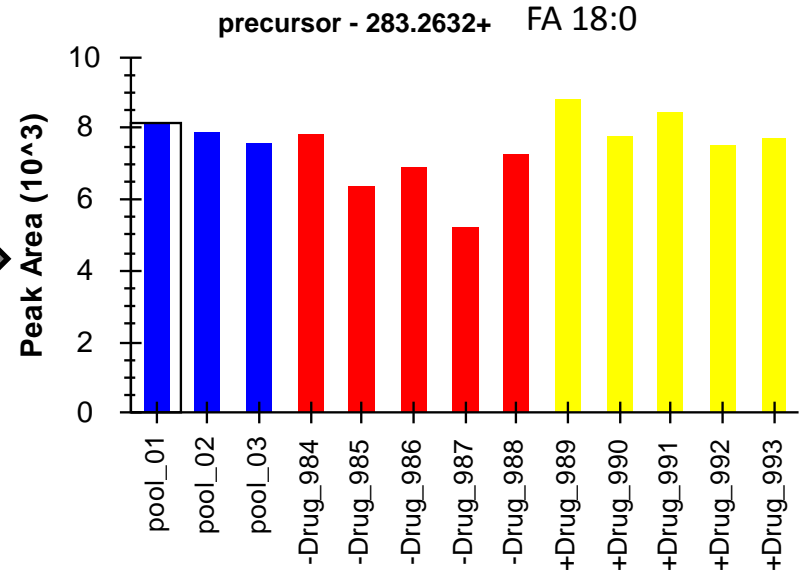
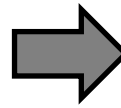
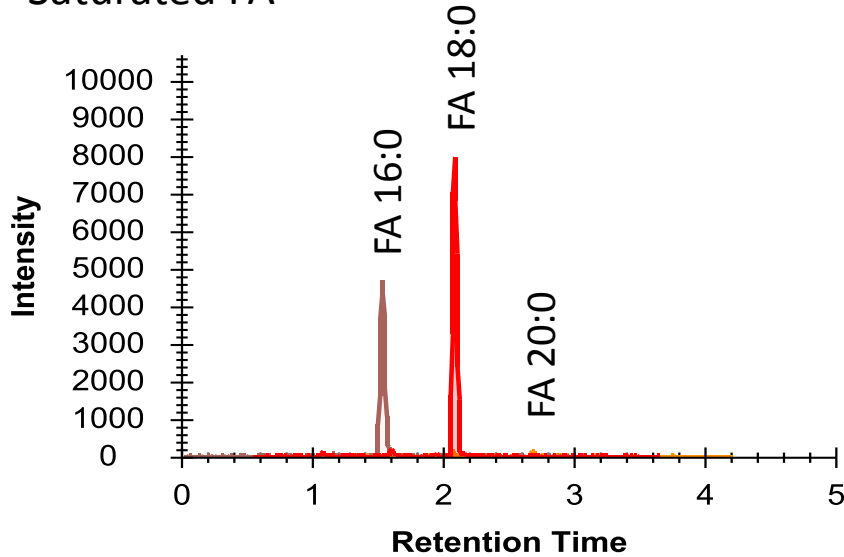
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LMFA01030120	Linoleic acid
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Full-Scan (MS1) Measurement – Method Setup

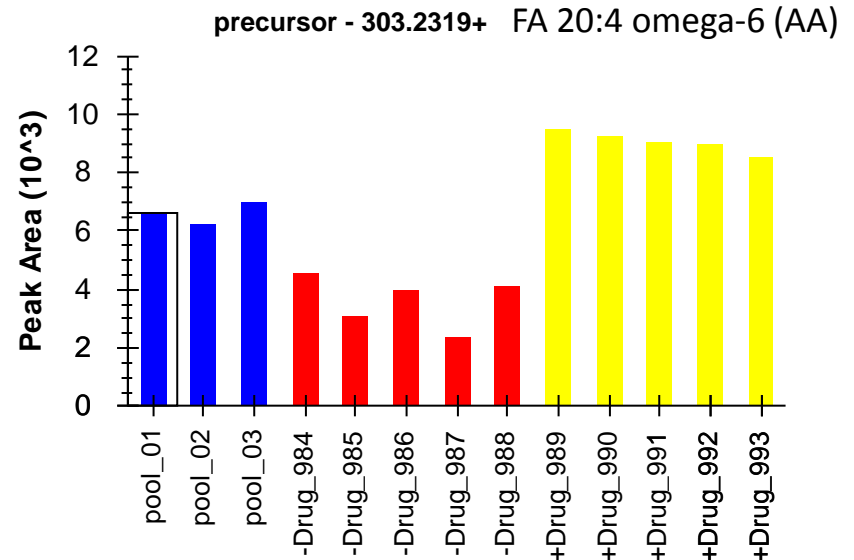
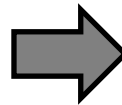
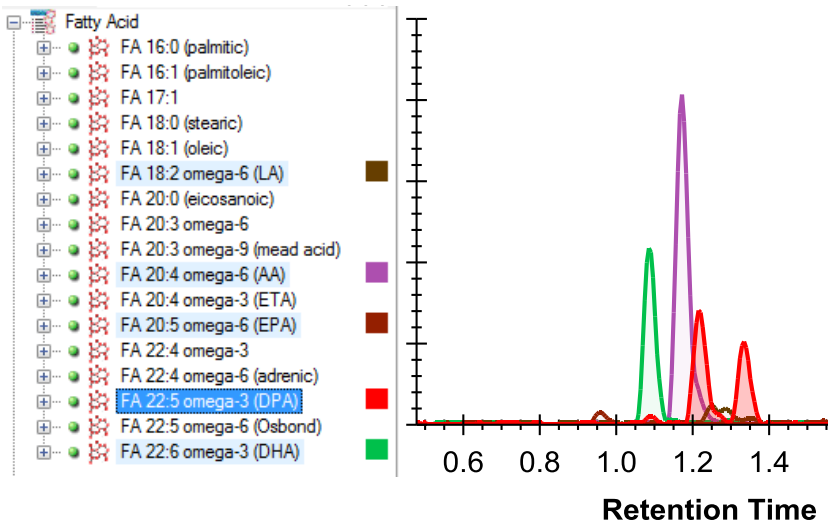


Validation in Skyline

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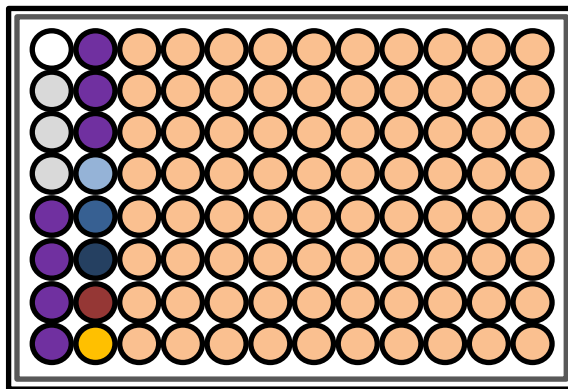


Unsaturated FA



Biocrates Absolute IDQ p180 Assay Layout and Approach

96-well plate layout



- double blank
- PBS 'zero' samples
- Calibration curve
- Low, Mid, High QC Stds
- Pooled Study QC
- Global Reference QC
- Study Samples

Add Internal Standards and Samples, Dry

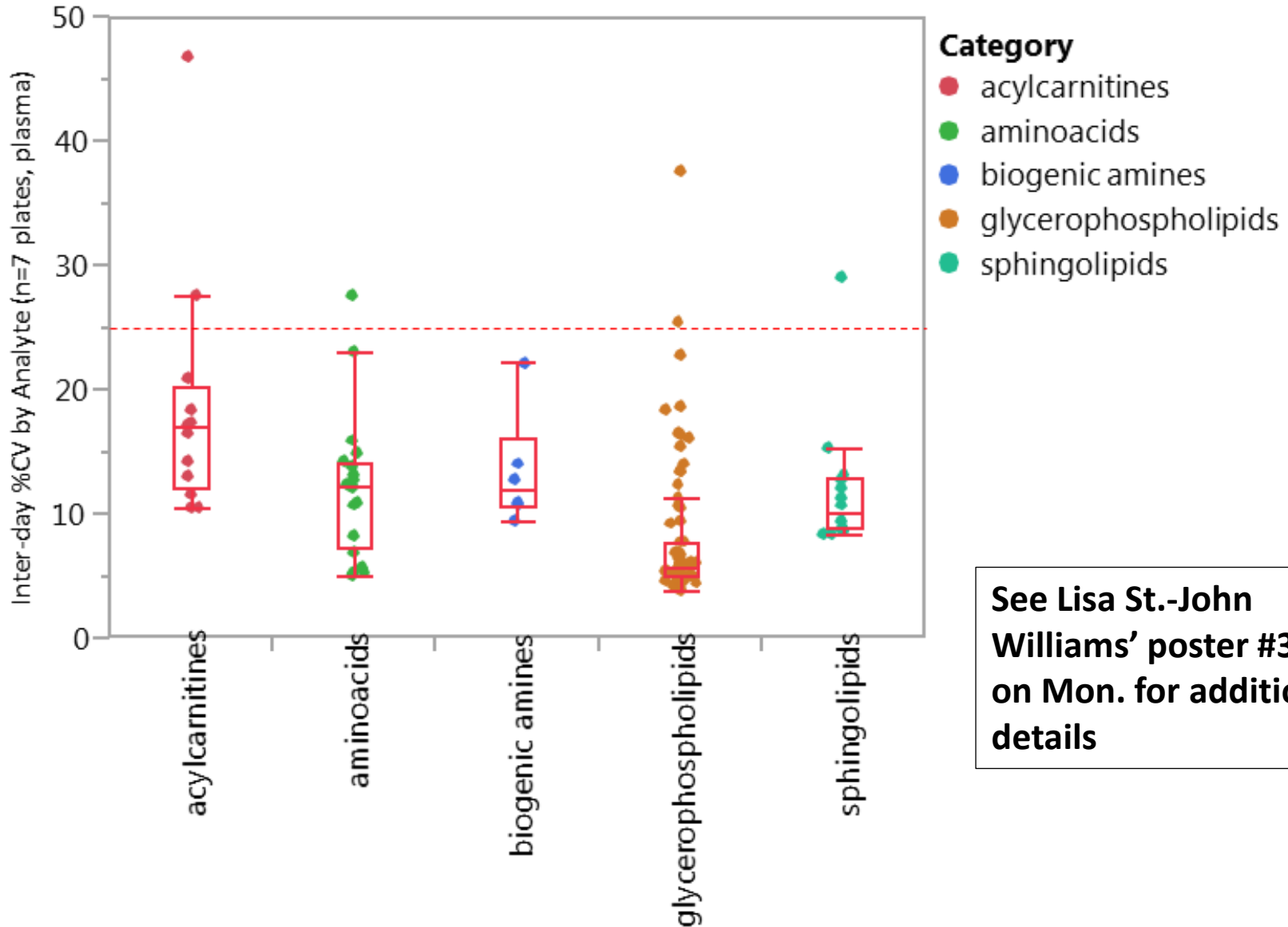
Derivatize with PITC Reagent

Extract with Buffered MeOH

Dilute and Analyze by FIA-MS or LC-MS

Inter-day reproducibility of Biocrates AbsoluteIDQ p180 kit

GoldenWest Biologicals pooled serum reference sample on each plate

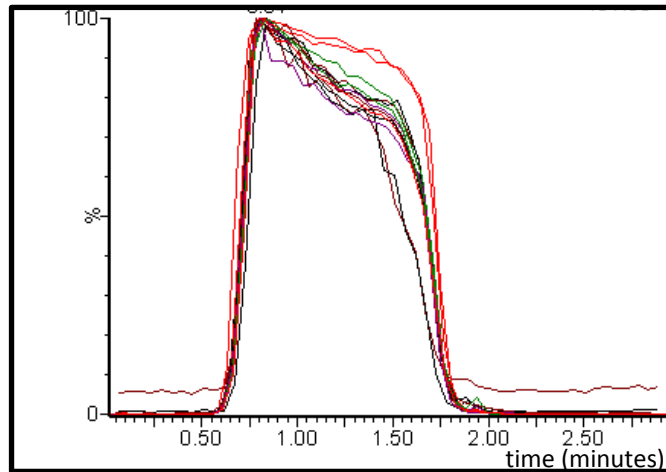


**See Lisa St.-John
Williams' poster #381
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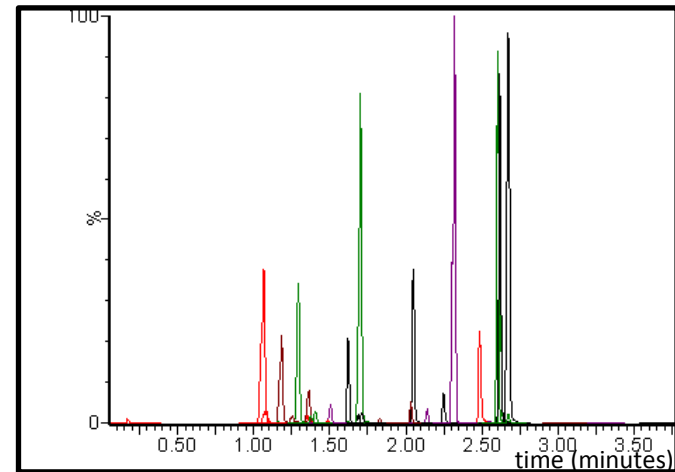
Quantitative Analysis of 5 Metabolite Classes

Flow-Injection Analysis



156 analyte-specific MS/MS transitions
40 Acylcarnitines
15 Sphingomyelins
90 Phosphatidylcholines (PC) and Lyso-PC
11 stable-isotope internal standards

LC-MS/MS



62 retention time scheduled transitions
22 amino acids
18 biogenic amines
20 stable-isotope internal standards

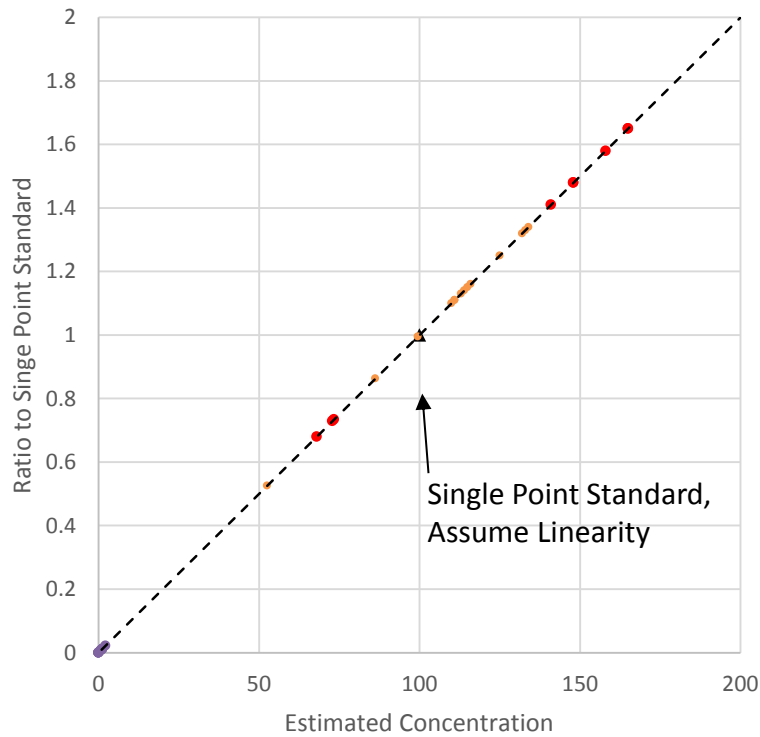
Standardize and Harmonize Across Experiments and Laboratories

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FIA-MS/MS

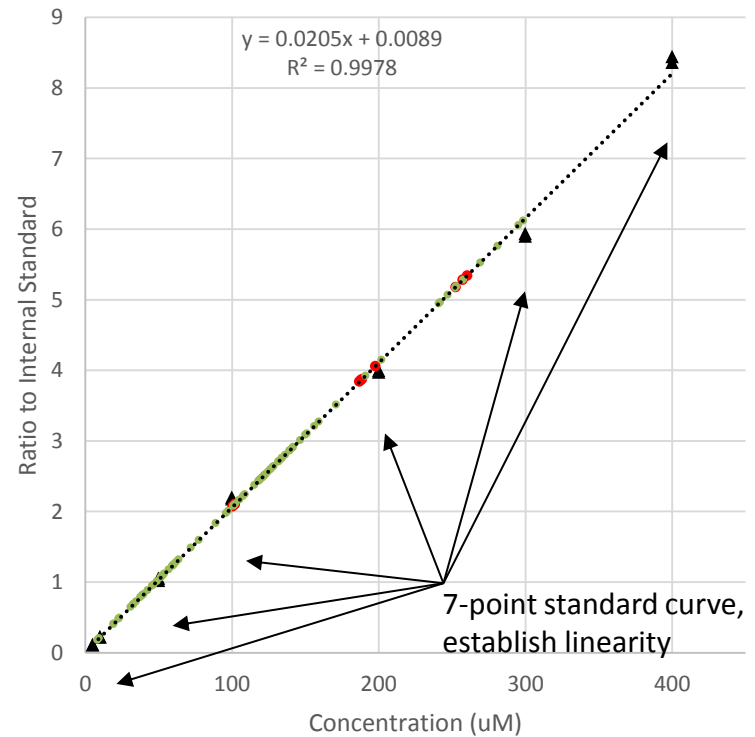
"Semiquantitative"



● QC Standards ▲ Single Point Standard ● Plasma ● BAL

LC-MS/MS

"Quantitative"



▲ Std. Curve ● QC standards ● Samples

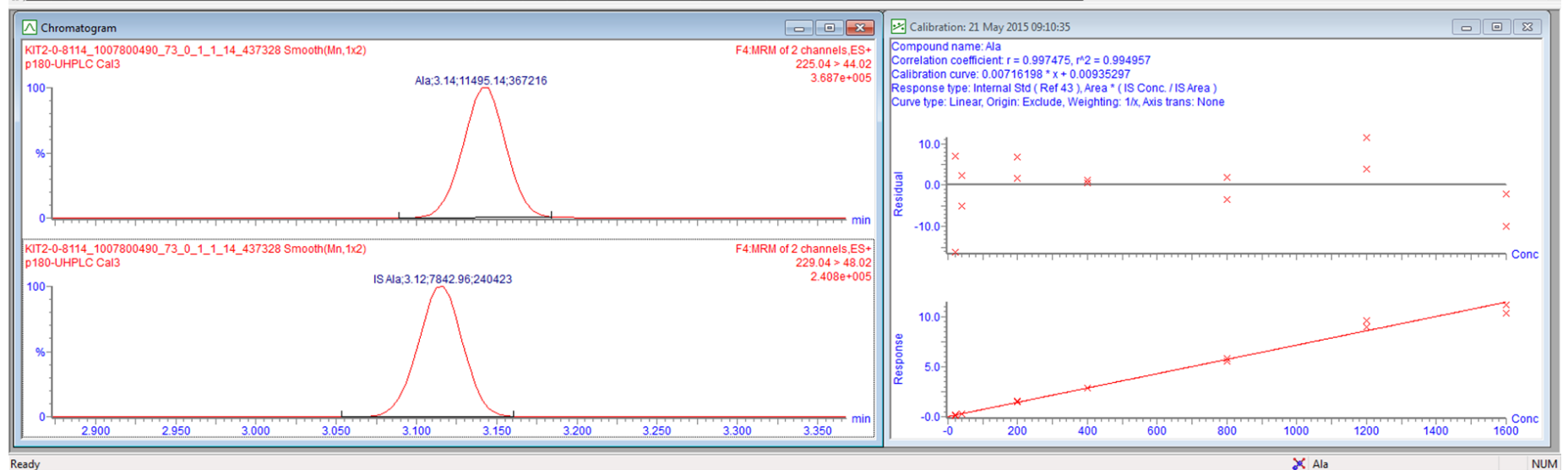
TargetLynx Peak Integration – Bottleneck for Biocrates p180 Analyses

TargetLynx - 4097 Plate 6 UPLC.qld

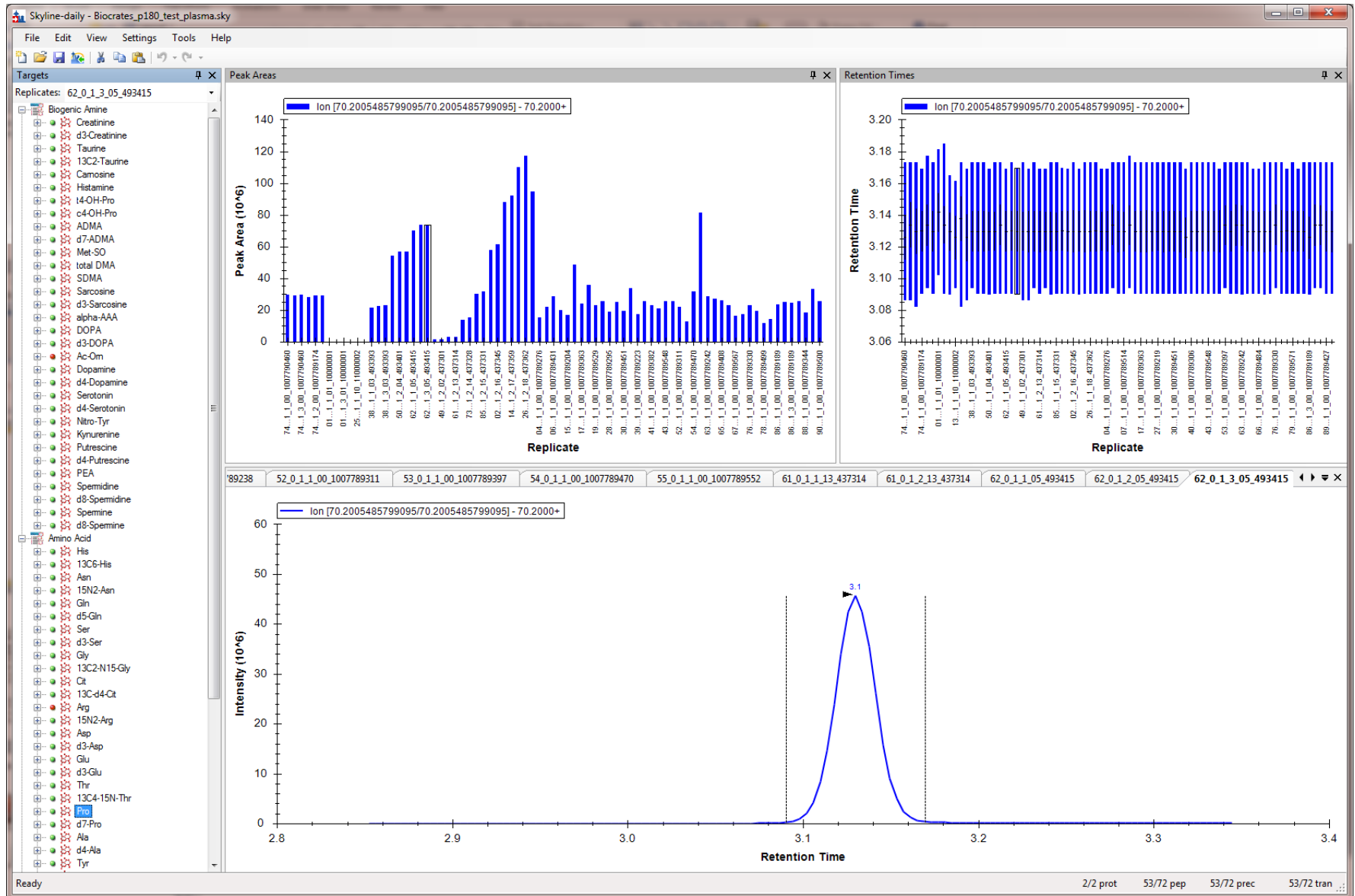
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3	KIT2-0-8114_1007800490_01_0_1_3_01_10000001	Blank										
4	KIT2-0-8114_1007800490_13_0_1_1_10_11000002	Solvent		3.15	22.885	8708.736	0.003	852	281868	bbi		
5	KIT2-0-8114_1007800490_25_0_1_1_10_11000002	Solvent				9408.548			300224			
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Biocrates Analysis in Skyline



Conclusions

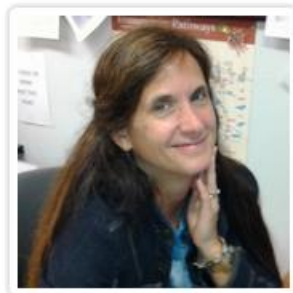
- Skyline currently being used across multiple metabolomics platforms in our lab
 - Enables method/data sharing and improves transparency of metabolomics experiments
- Ongoing discussions between Skyline and Biocrates teams to address the bottleneck in Biocrates analyses (beneficial for all vendor platforms) and the hurdle to import data into MetIDQ for qualification
- Skyline features requested and in progress:
 - MS2 library viewing, building, and matching (enabled for proteomics):
 - Building targeted MS2 methods
 - Verification in MSE analysis
 - Heavy/light isotope standard grouping for quantification (enabled for proteomics)
 - Improvements in peak integration
 - Quantification against calibration curves

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