Supporting information

Direct identification of forensic body fluids by MALDI-MS

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volunteers	gender	age
1	male	20~30
2	male	20~30
3	male	15~20
4	female	20~30
5	female	20~30
6	male	40~50
7	female	30~40
8	female	20~30
9	male	20~30
10	male	40~50
11	male	40~50
12	male	15~20
13	male	30~40

Table S1: An overview of the information including age and gender of all volunteers.

*there are nine samples for each body fluid type, some volunteers only provide a kind of body fluids.

m/z	Body fluid	Repeatability shot-to-shot RSD	Reproducibility sample to sample RSD
615	Blood	6.7%	20.4%
650		5.5%	17.8%
191		0%	0%
146		4.8%	15.2%
215		5.7%	13.8%
154	Semen	6.4%	21.7%
175		8.7%	18.3%
795		8.5%	17.8%
788		7.1%	14.4%
191		3.7%	5.9%
167	Urine	5.7%	12.9%
203		10.3%	27.9%
97		5.3%	21.3%
133	Saliva	8.1%	22.7%
215		11.2%	22.5%
89	Sweat	4.7%	11.4%
125		7.1%	13.5%

Table S2. Repeatability and reproducibility test of the MALDI methods for human body fluids identification.

a. The repeatability (shot-to-shot RSD) was measured based on 20 shots at different locations on the spot.

b. The reproducibility (sample-to-sample RSD) was measured based on 15 spots (5 samples) in different batches.

c The RSDs were obtained by the relative peak intensity to the strongest peak of selected peaks in MALDI-TOF MS.

Unknown body fluid samples	Predicted type	Actual type
1	Seminal fluid	Seminal fluid
2	urine	urine
3	saliva	saliva
4	urine	urine
5	sweat	sweat
6	unknow	saliva
7	blood	blood
8	blood	blood
9	sweat	sweat
10	Seminal fluid	Seminal fluid

Table S3. An overview of the predicted and actual body fluid types of the ten tested samples.

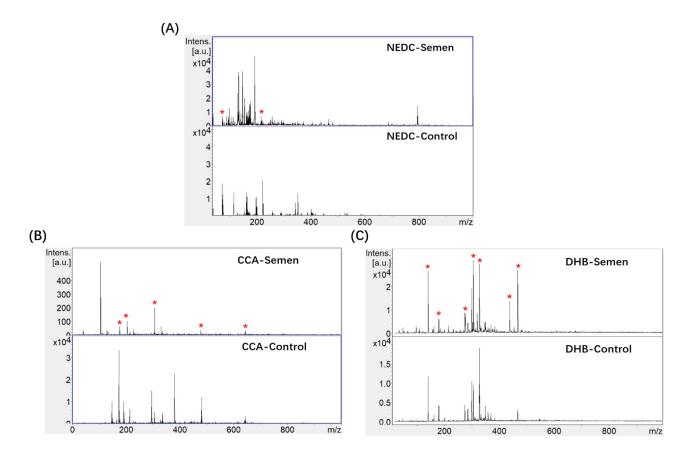


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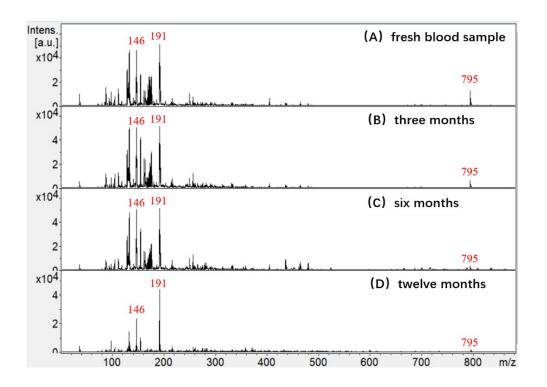


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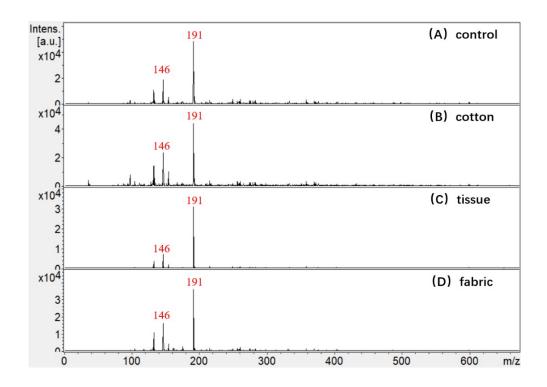


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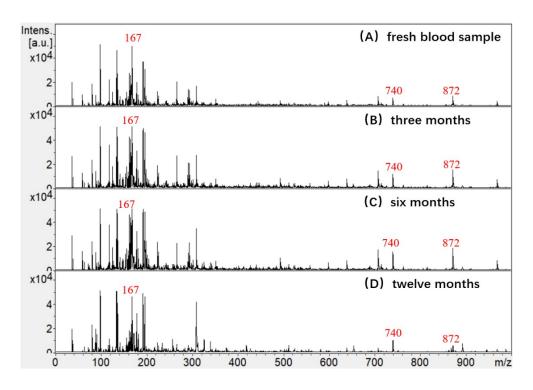


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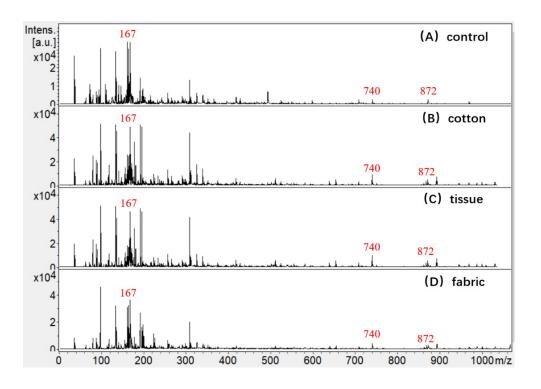


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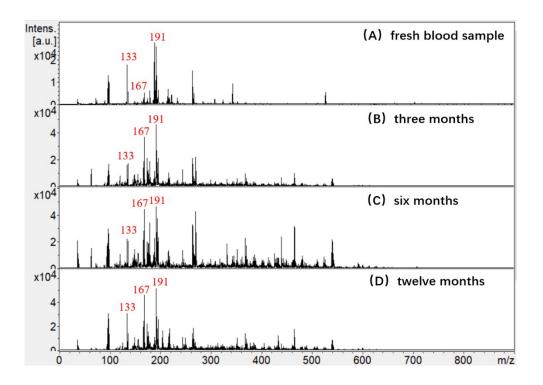


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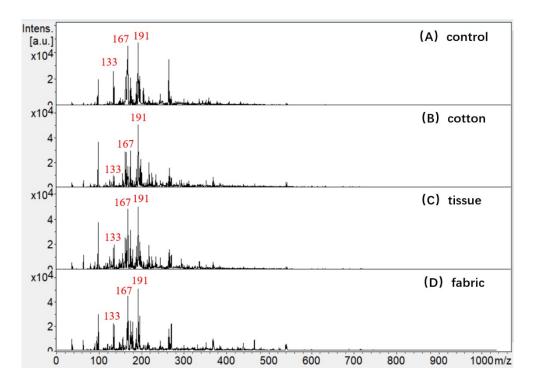


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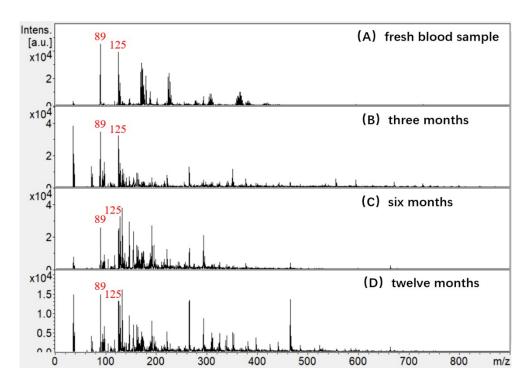


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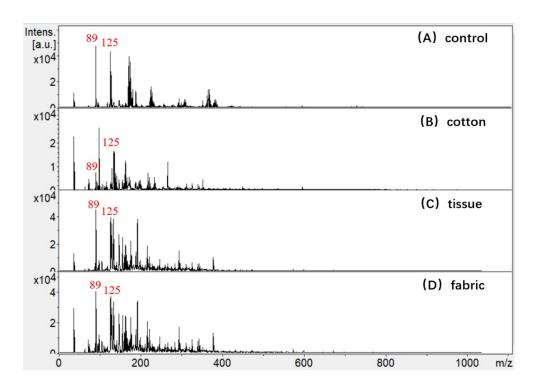


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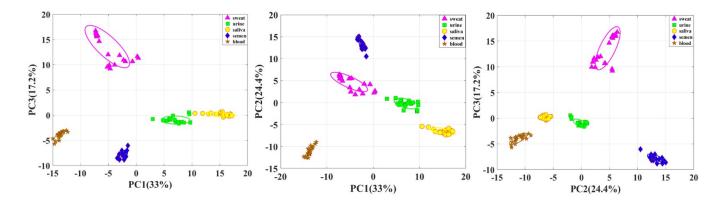


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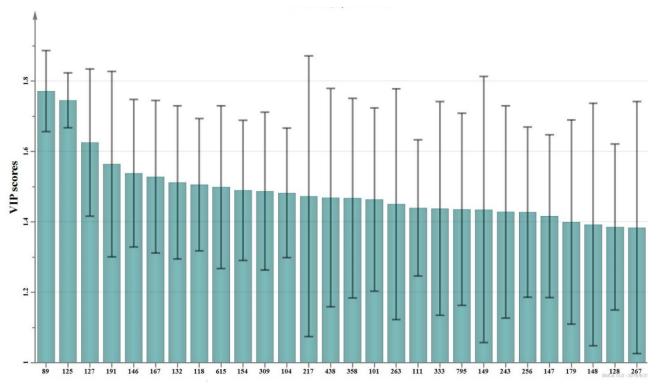


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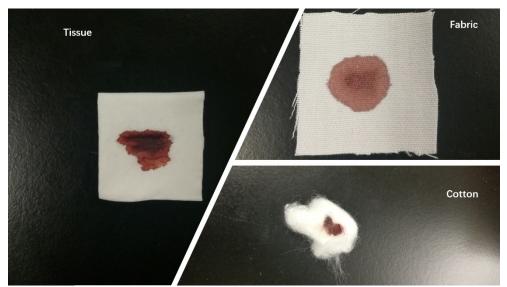


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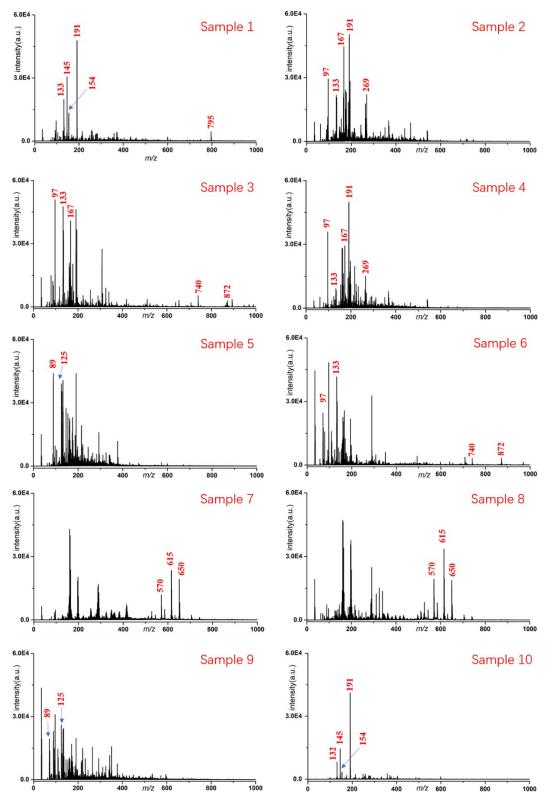


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