

Supplementary information

Isomeric Separation of Permethylated Glycans by Extra-Long Reversed-Phase Liquid Chromatography (RPLC)-MS/MS

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Figure S2. **(A)**TIC of N-glycan sample derived from bovine fetuin. **(B-D)** EICs of permethylated N-glycans with sialic acid linkage isomers with the compositions of **(B)** HexNAc₅Hex₆NeuAc₂, **(C)** HexNAc₅Hex₆NeuAc₃, and **(D)** HexNAc₅Hex₆NeuAc₄. **(E-G)** Distributions of isomers from NMR (blue) and LC/MS (orange). Symbols: see **Figure S1**.

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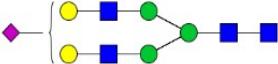
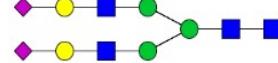
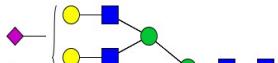
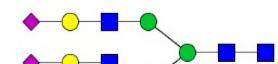
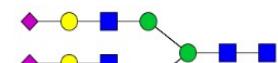
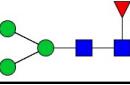
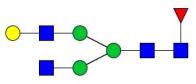
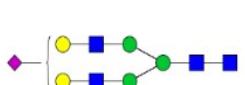
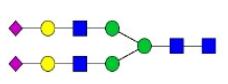
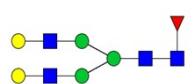
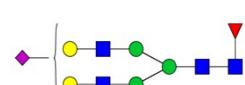
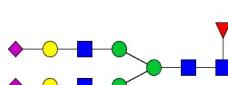
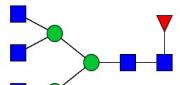
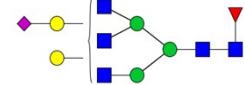
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|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
|  | 89.8±0.1 | 0.62±0.02 |
| | 91.4±0.1 | 0.62±0.03 |
|  | 99.5±0.1 | 0.75±0.04 |
| | 101.0±0.1 | 0.80±0.01 |
| | 102.9±0.1 | 0.95±0.06 |
| | | |
|  | 104.0±0.1 | 0.91±0.08 |
| | 106.5±0.1 | 0.83±0.02 |
| | 109.0±0.1 | 0.82±0.08 |
| | 110.0±0.1 | 0.87±0.03 |
| | 111.8±0.1 | 0.80±0.01 |
|  | 113.2±0.1 | 0.82±0.05 |
| | 115.0±0.2 | 0.85±0.01 |
| | 117.7±0.2 | 1.05±0.01 |
| | 120.4±0.1 | 1.04±0.03 |
|  | 125.9±0.2 | 0.86±0.01 |
| | 128.3±0.1 | 0.98±0.02 |
| | 132.6±0.1 | 0.97±0.03 |

Table S2. Run-to-run variations in 500mm PepMap C18 column from glycans derived from

| Structure | Average RT(minutes) | Average FWHM(minutes) |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | 85.9±0.1 | 0.71±0.01 |
| | 114.6±0.1 | 0.96±0.03 |
| | 105.0±0.1 | 1.17±0.02 |
| | 107.8±0.2 | 1.06±0.04 |
| | 86.5±0.1 | 0.74±0.01 |
| | 104.2±0.2 | 1.20±0.01 |
| | 106.8±0.1 | 1.12±0.07 |
| | 111.0±0.1 | 1.10±0.05 |
| | 117.6±0.1 | 1.22±0.07 |
| | 122.9±0.1 | 1.38±0.03 |
| | 125.9±0.1 | 1.22±0.03 |
| | 130.4±0.3 | 1.78±0.03 |
| | 131.8±0.2 | 1.50±0.02 |
| | 133.6±0.2 | 1.27±0.06 |
| | 134.2±0.2 | 1.34±0.04 |
| | 136.6±0.1 | 1.24±0.04 |
| | 140.2±0.1 | 1.25±0.06 |
| | 135.7±0.1 | 1.37±0.06 |
| | 138.1±0.2 | 1.24±0.04 |
| | 157.6±0.2 | 1.27±0.08 |
| | 159.9±0.2 | 1.18±0.03 |
| | 162.5±0.2 | 1.19±0.08 |

human blood serum. (n=3)

Table S3. Run-to-run variations in 500mm PepMap C18 column from glycans derived from

| Structure | Average RT(minutes) | Average FWHM(minutes) |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
|  | 79.9±0.1 | 0.74±0.01 |
|  | 87.1±0.1 | 0.83±0.04 |
| | 92.6±0.1 | 1.05±0.01 |
| | 93.6±0.1 | 0.88±0.01 |
|  | 93.6±0.1 | 1.28±0.04 |
| | 101.2±0.1 | 0.78±0.02 |
|  | 113.2±0.1 | 0.92±0.02 |
| | 115.6±0.1 | 0.86±0.01 |
|  | 125.9±0.2 | 1.08±0.01 |
| | 127.9±0.2 | 1.00±0.01 |
| | 130.4±0.3 | 0.92±0.01 |
| | 132.2±0.2 | 0.79±0.01 |
|  | 100.6±0.1 | 0.75±0.04 |
| | 108.8±0.1 | 0.77±0.02 |
|  | 123.3±0.1 | 0.84±0.01 |
| | 126.2±0.1 | 0.91±0.01 |
|  | 135.7±0.1 | 1.21±0.01 |
| | 138.2±0.1 | 1.08±0.02 |
| | 140.7±0.1 | 0.83±0.02 |
|  | 92.8±0.1 | 0.95±0.02 |
| | 95.4±0.1 | 0.94±0.04 |
| | 101.1±0.1 | 1.07±0.02 |
|  | 137.7±0.2 | 1.35±0.07 |
| | 141.4±0.2 | 1.18±0.01 |

cultured cells. (n=3)

Table S4. Day-to-day variations in 500mm PepMap C18 column from glycans derived from bovine fetuin. (n=3)

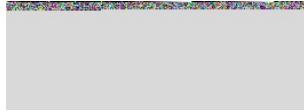
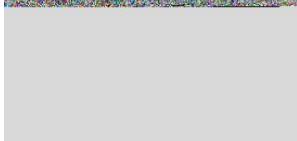
| Structure | Average RT(minutes) | Average FWHM(minutes) |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
|  | 89.5±0.3 | 0.66±0.02 |
| | 91.2±0.3 | 0.71±0.05 |
|  | 99.3±0.3 | 0.74±0.01 |
| | 100.8±0.3 | 0.78±0.02 |
| | 102.7±0.3 | 1.1±0.1 |
|  | 104.1±0.4 | 0.91±0.04 |
| | 106.3±0.3 | 0.86±0.01 |
| | 108.8±0.3 | 0.89±0.07 |
| | 109.7±0.3 | 0.95±0.03 |
| | 111.5±0.4 | 0.85±0.01 |
|  | 113.0±0.3 | 0.72±0.08 |
| | 114.7±0.4 | 0.89±0.02 |
| | 117.5±0.4 | 1.07±0.02 |
| | 120.2±0.3 | 1.21±0.03 |
|  | 125.7±0.4 | 0.82±0.01 |
| | 128.0±0.4 | 0.94±0.01 |
| | 132.3±0.3 | 1.01±0.06 |

Table S5. Month-to-month variations in 500mm PepMap C18 column from glycans derived from bovine fetuin. (n=3)

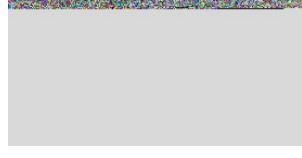
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|  | 98.9±0.8 | 0.78±0.06 |
| | 100.4±0.7 | 0.78±0.02 |
| | 102.3±0.7 | 1.1±0.1 |
|  | 103.7±0.9 | 0.91±0.02 |
| | 105.9±0.8 | 0.87±0.03 |
| | 108.4±0.8 | 0.8±0.1 |
| | 109±1 | 0.8±0.1 |
| | 111±1 | 0.89±0.03 |
|  | 113±1 | 0.82±0.03 |
| | 114±1 | 0.91±0.09 |
| | 117±1 | 1.18±0.01 |
| | 119.8±0.8 | 1.2±0.2 |
|  | 125±1 | 0.86±0.06 |
| | 127.6±0.9 | 0.99±0.06 |
| | 131.9±0.9 | 1.02±0.08 |

Table S6. N-glycans with isomeric structures extracted from cultured cell lines. The mass accuracy of each identified structure and the retention time of isomeric peaks are provided. (n=3)

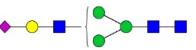
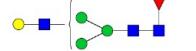
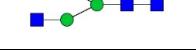
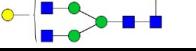
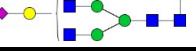
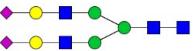
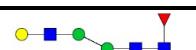
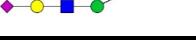
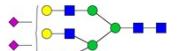
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|---|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|  | 988.5204 | 988.5242 | 3.84 | 128.1±0.1 |
| | | | | 131.2±0.1 |
|  | 894.9782 | 894.9849 | 7.54 | 93.0±0.1 |
| | | | | 101.0±0.1 |
|  | 1075.5650 | 1075.5734 | 7.81 | 108.9±0.1 |
| | | | | 110.4±0.1 |
| | | | | 112.0±0.1 |
|  | 1090.5703 | 1090.5791 | 8.07 | 114.0±0.1 |
| | | | | 116.6±0.1 |
|  | 915.4914 | 915.4976 | 6.77 | 87.0±0.1 |
| | | | | 92.5±0.1 |
| | | | | 93.6±0.1 |
|  | 1017.5413 | 1017.5472 | 5.80 | 93.5±0.1 |
| | | | | 101.2±0.1 |
|  | 799.0881 | 799.0945 | 8.05 | 115.9±0.1 |
| | | | | 118.8±0.1 |
|  | 809.0916 | 809.0972 | 6.92 | 113.1±0.1 |
| | | | | 115.6±0.1 |
|  | 929.4828 | 929.4871 | 4.59 | 126.4±0.1 |
| | | | | 128.4±0.2 |
| | | | | 130.9±0.1 |
|  | 1119.5912 | 1119.5983 | 6.34 | 100.5±0.1 |
| | | | | 108.7±0.1 |
|  | 1300.1774 | 1300.1882 | 8.31 | 123.3±0.1 |
| | | | | 126.1±0.1 |
|  | 1480.7642 | 1480.7747 | 7.09 | 135.7±0.1 |
| | | | | 138.2±0.1 |
| | | | | 140.7±0.1 |
|  | 1038.0546 | 1038.0607 | 5.92 | 92.8±0.1 |
| | | | | 95.4±0.1 |
| | | | | 100.9±0.2 |
|  | 1140.1045 | 1140.1121 | 6.71 | 117.5±0.1 |
| | | | | 118.8±0.1 |
|  | 1079.2249 | 1079.2329 | 7.44 | 134.8±0.2 |
| | | | | 137.8±0.1 |
|  | 1016.8634 | 1016.8702 | 6.72 | 129.6±0.1 |
| | | | | 131.9±0.1 |
|  | 962.5056 | 962.5123 | 6.96 | 123.6±0.1 |
| | | | | 125.2±0.1 |
| | | | | 127.7±0.1 |

Figure S1

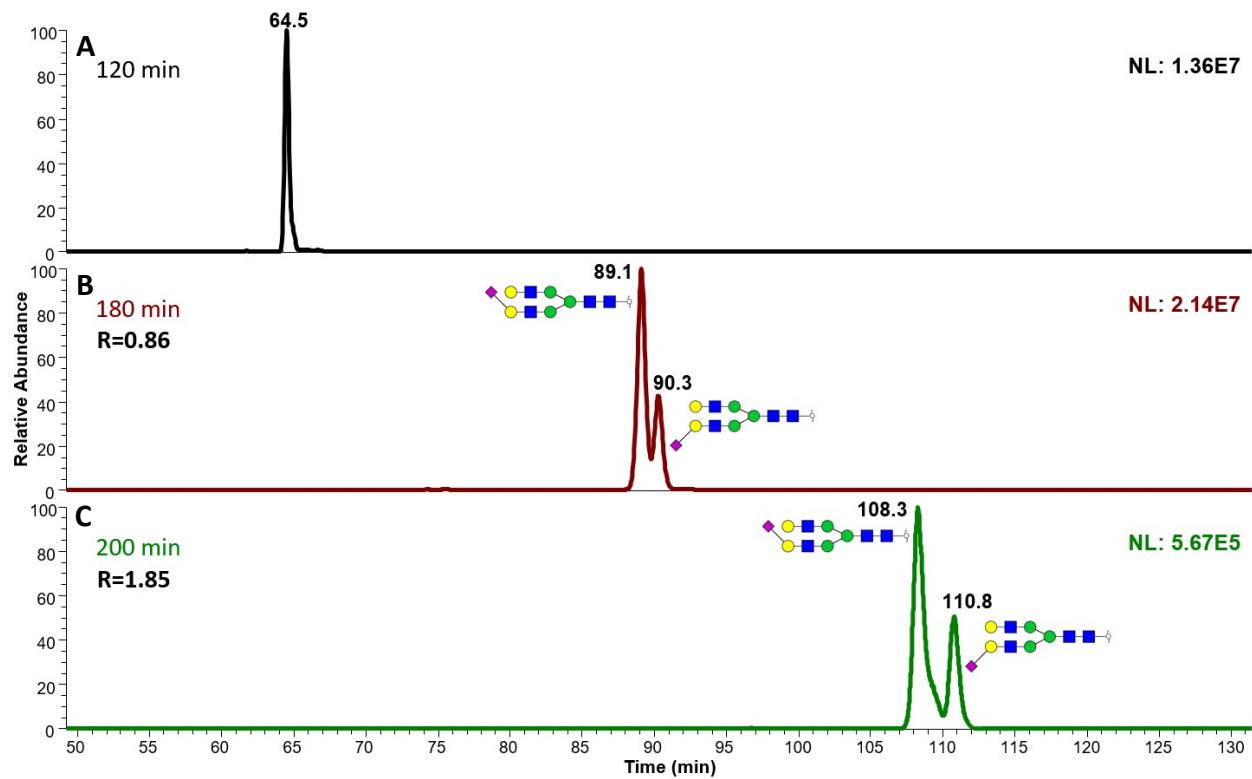


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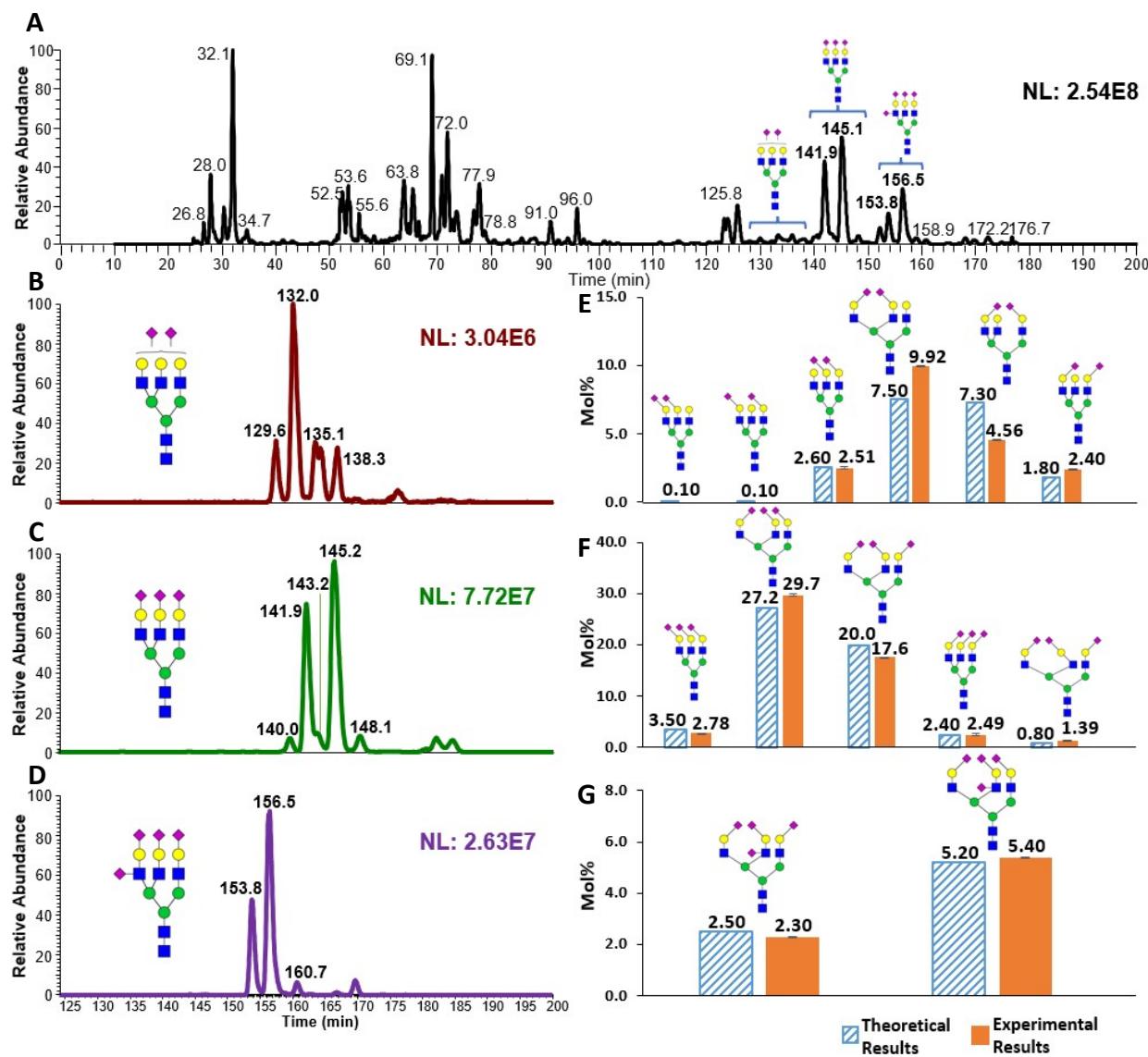


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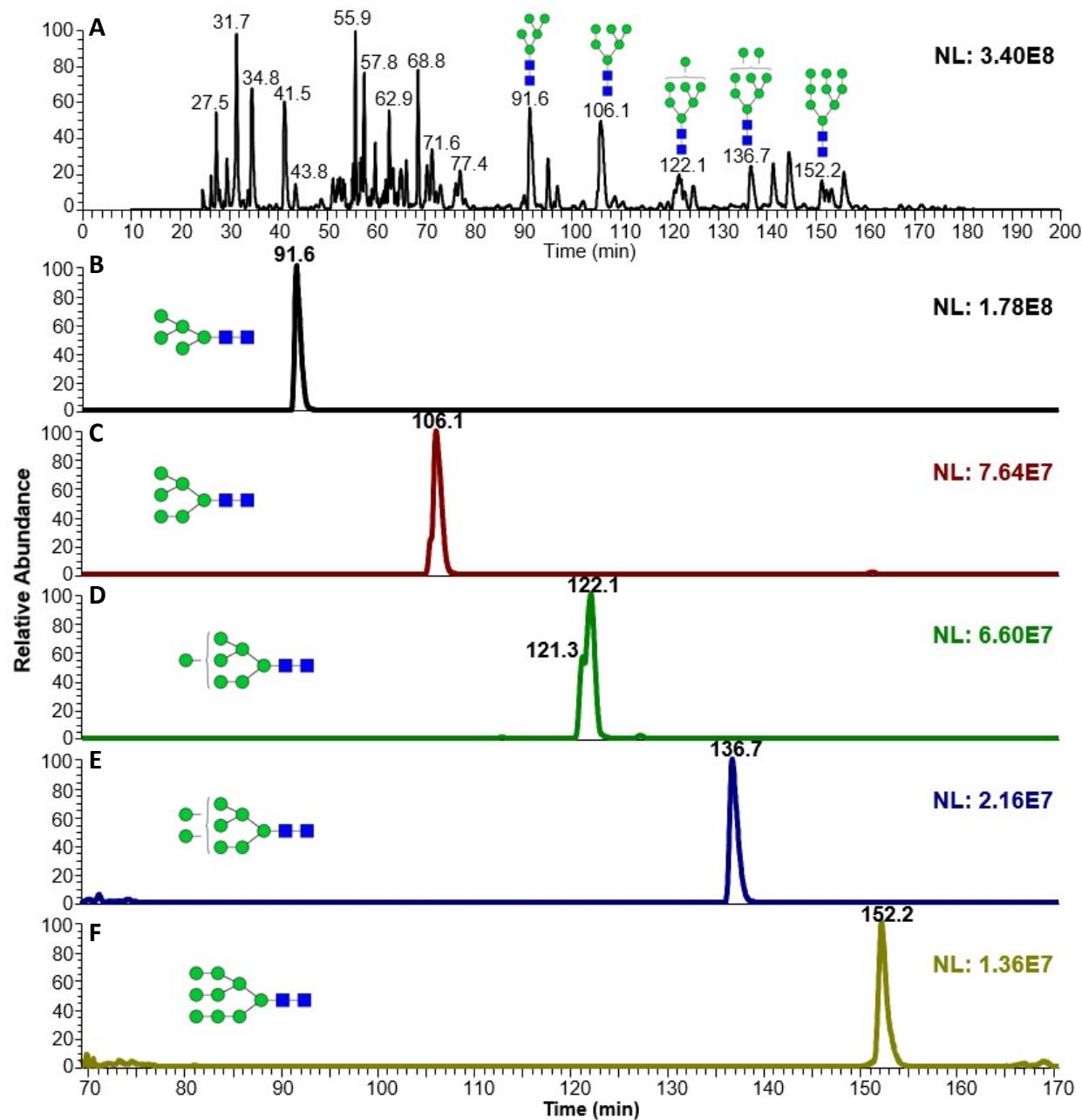


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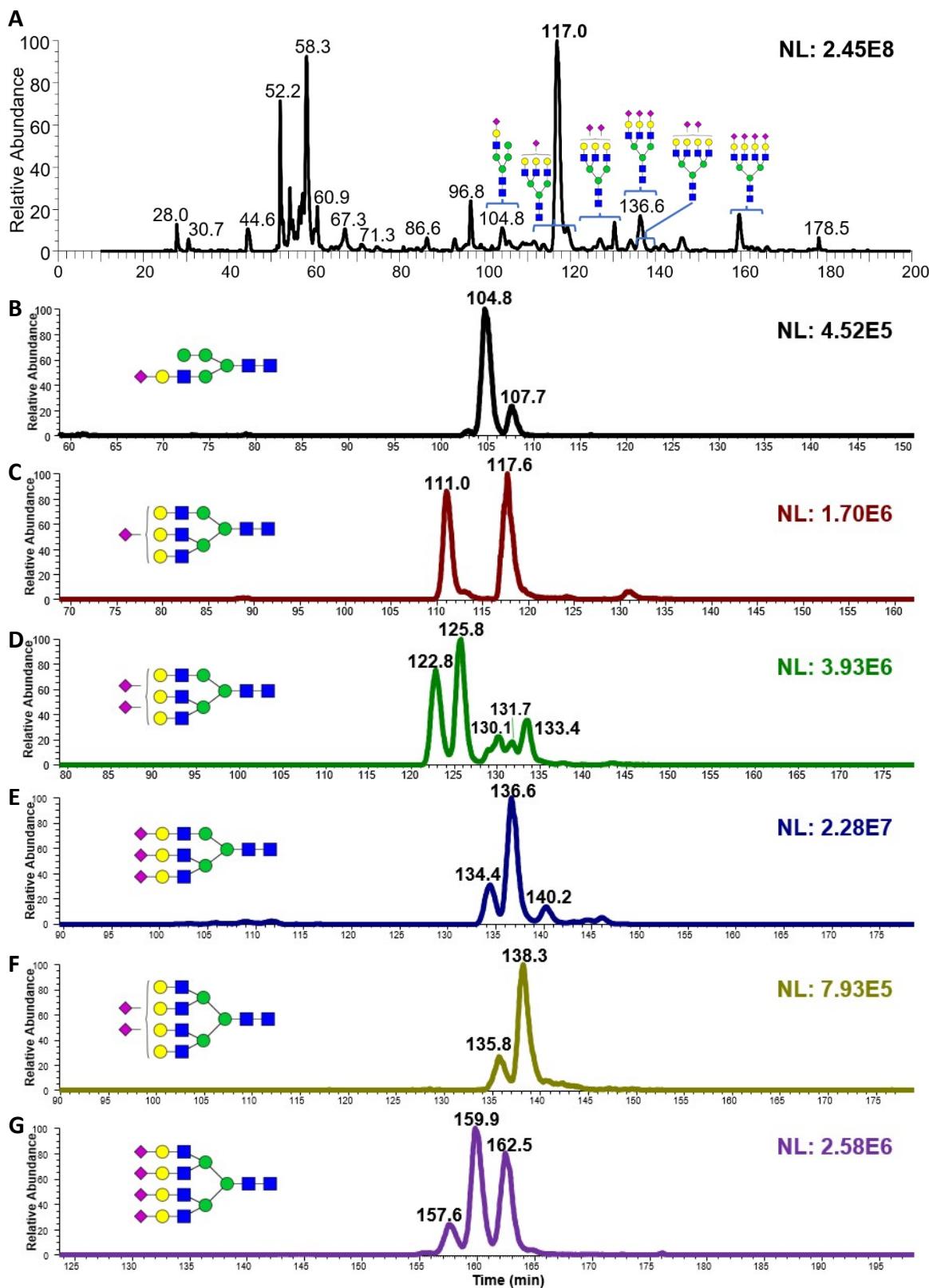


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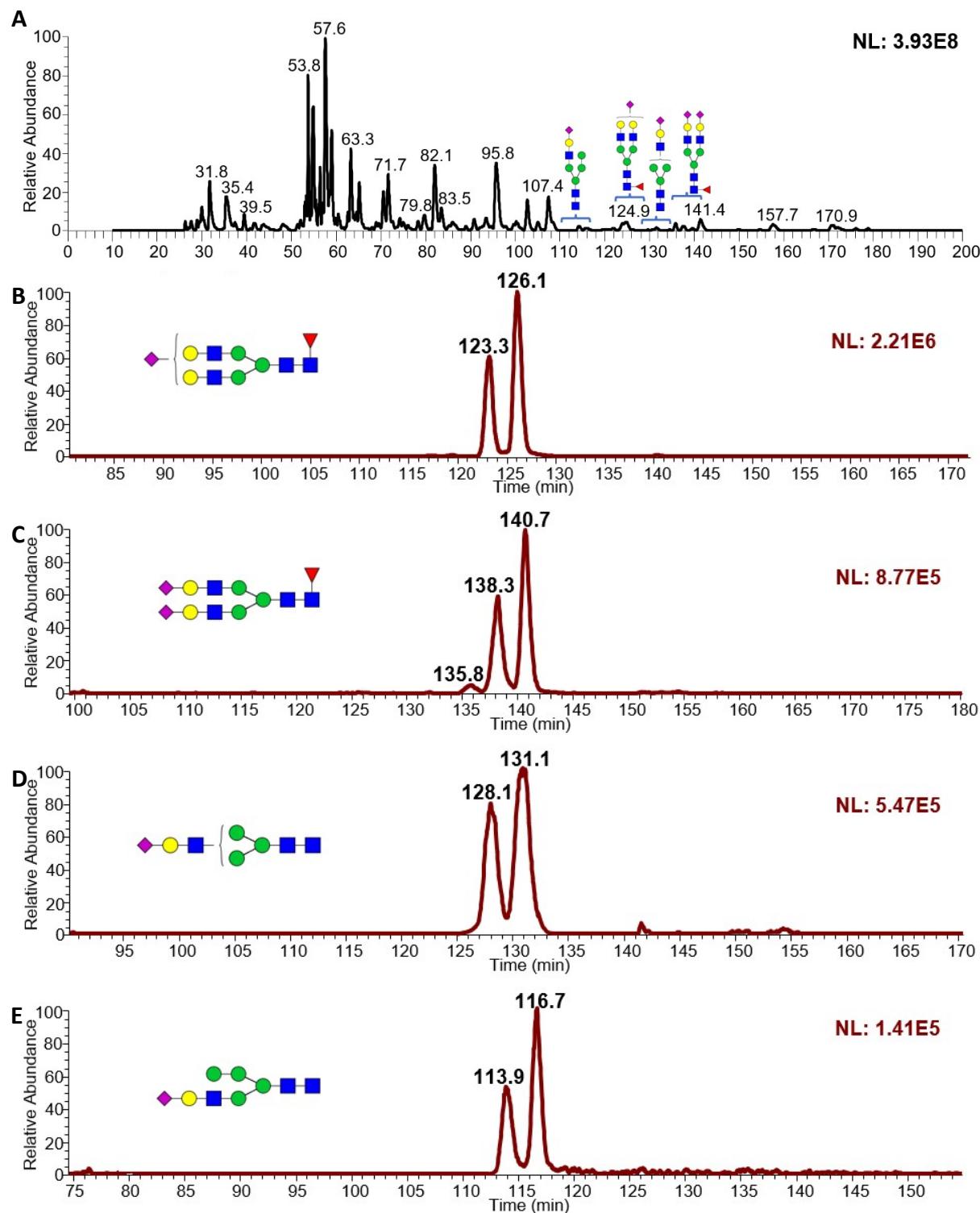


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