

## **Towards Green, Scalable Peptide Synthesis: Leveraging DEG-Crosslinked Polystyrene Resins to Overcome Hydrophobicity Challenges**

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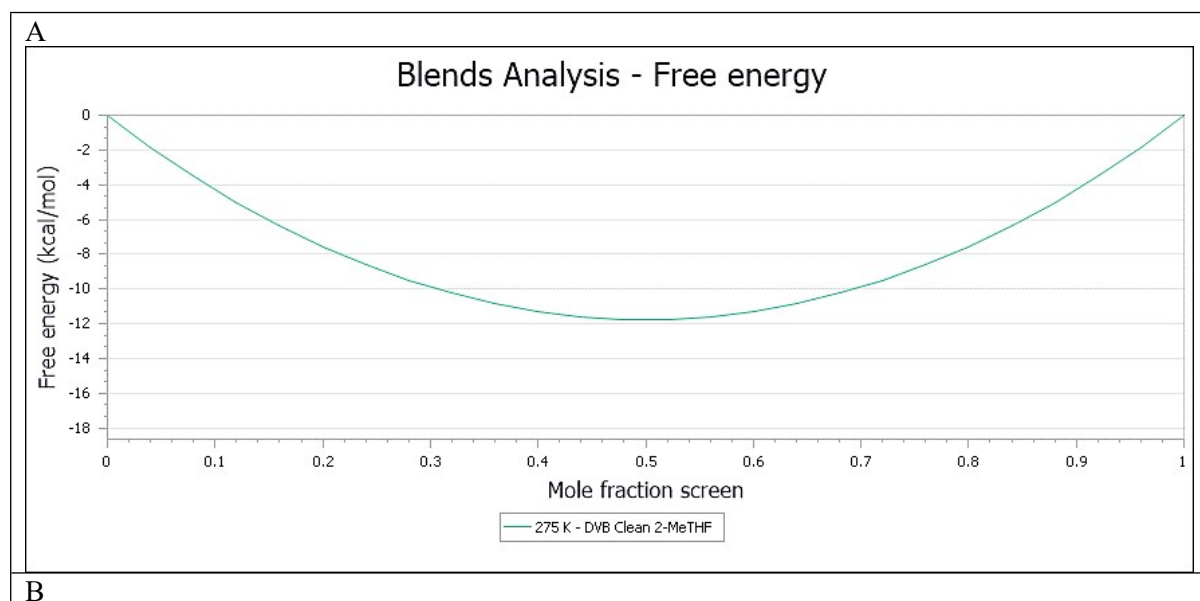
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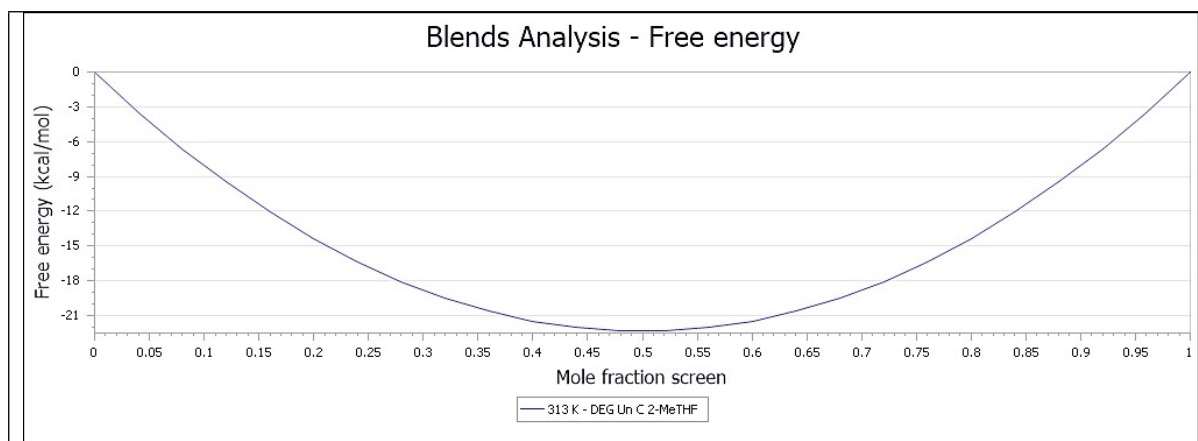
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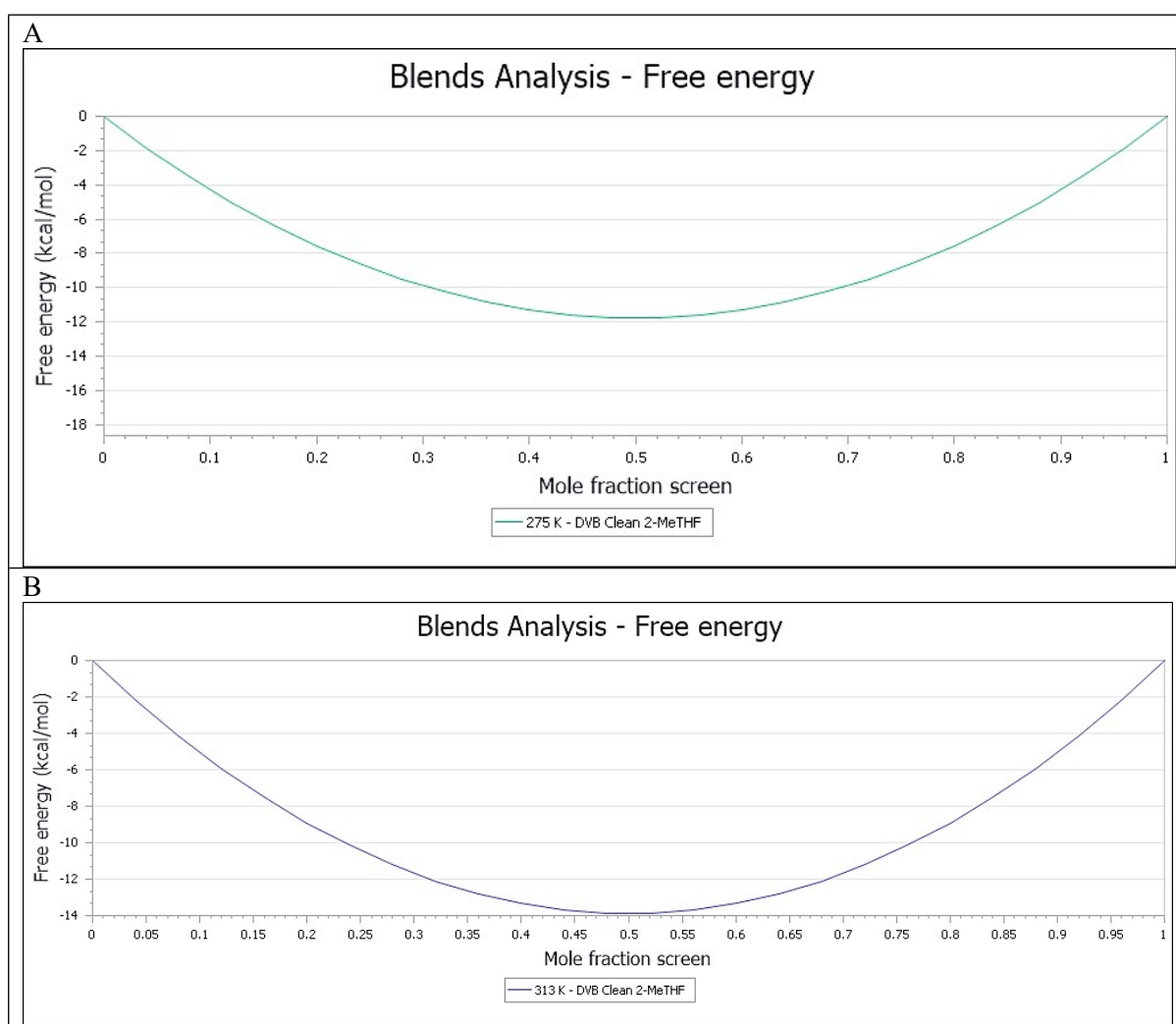
| Peptide        | Sequence  | Formula  | Mass    |
|----------------|---|--|---------|
| Leu-Enkephalin | H-Tyr-Gly-Gly-Ohe-Leu-OH  | C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>37</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>7</sub>                    | 555.27  |
| β (34-42)      | H-Leu-Met-Val-Gly-Gly-Val-Val-Ile-Ala-OH  | C <sub>39</sub> H <sub>71</sub> N <sub>9</sub> O <sub>10</sub> S                 | 858.11  |
| ACP            | H-Val-Gln-Ala-Ala-Ile-Asp-Tyr-Ile-Asn-Gly-OH  | C <sub>47</sub> H <sub>74</sub> N <sub>12</sub> O <sub>16</sub>                  | 1063.18 |
| Aib-ACP        | H-Val-Gln-Aib-Aib-Ile-Asp-Tyr-Ile-Asn-Gly-OH  | C <sub>49</sub> H <sub>78</sub> N <sub>12</sub> O <sub>16</sub>                  | 1091.23 |
| JR             | H-Trp-Phe-Thr-Thr-Leu-Ile-Ser-Thr-Ile-Met-OH  | C <sub>58</sub> H <sub>89</sub> N <sub>11</sub> O <sub>15</sub> S                | 1212.47 |
| ABRF 1992      | H-Gly-Val-Arg-Gly-Asp-Lys-Gly-Asn-Pro-Gly-Trp-Pro-Gly-Ala-Pro-Tyr-NH <sub>2</sub>   | C <sub>73</sub> H <sub>106</sub> N <sub>22</sub> O <sub>21</sub>                 | 1627.78 |
| ABC            | H-Val-Tyr-Trp-Thr-Ser-Pro-Phe-Met-Lys-Leu-Ile-His-Glu-Gln-Cys-Asn-Arg-Ala-Asp-Gln-OH  | C <sub>110</sub> H <sub>164</sub> N <sub>30</sub> O <sub>31</sub> S <sub>2</sub> | 2466.82 |
| Thymosin       | H-Ser-Asp-Ala-Ala-Val-Asp-Thr-Ser-Ser-Glu-Ile-Thr-Thr-Lys-Asp-Leu-Lys-Glu-Lys-Lys-Glu-Val-Val-Glu-Glu-Ala-Glu-Asn-NH <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>127</sub> H <sub>213</sub> N <sub>33</sub> O <sub>54</sub>                | 3066.28 |

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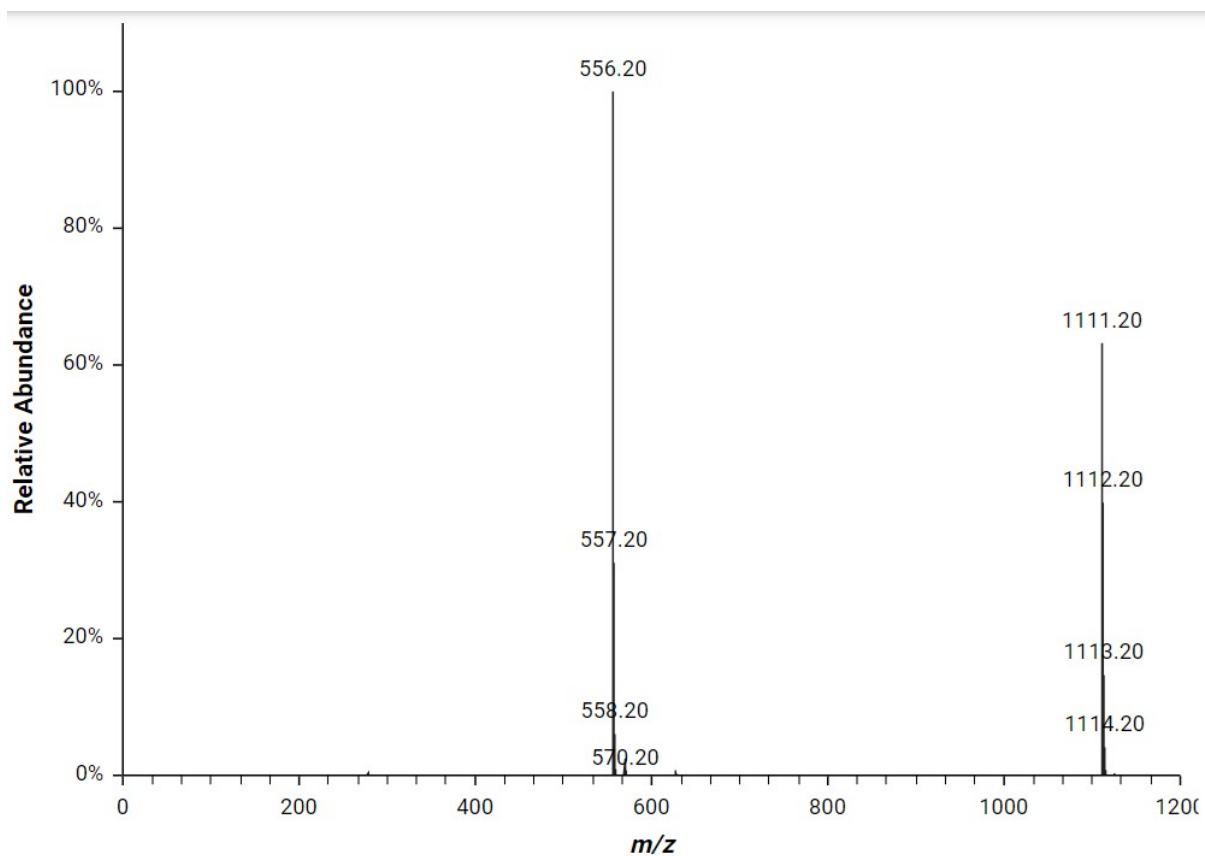




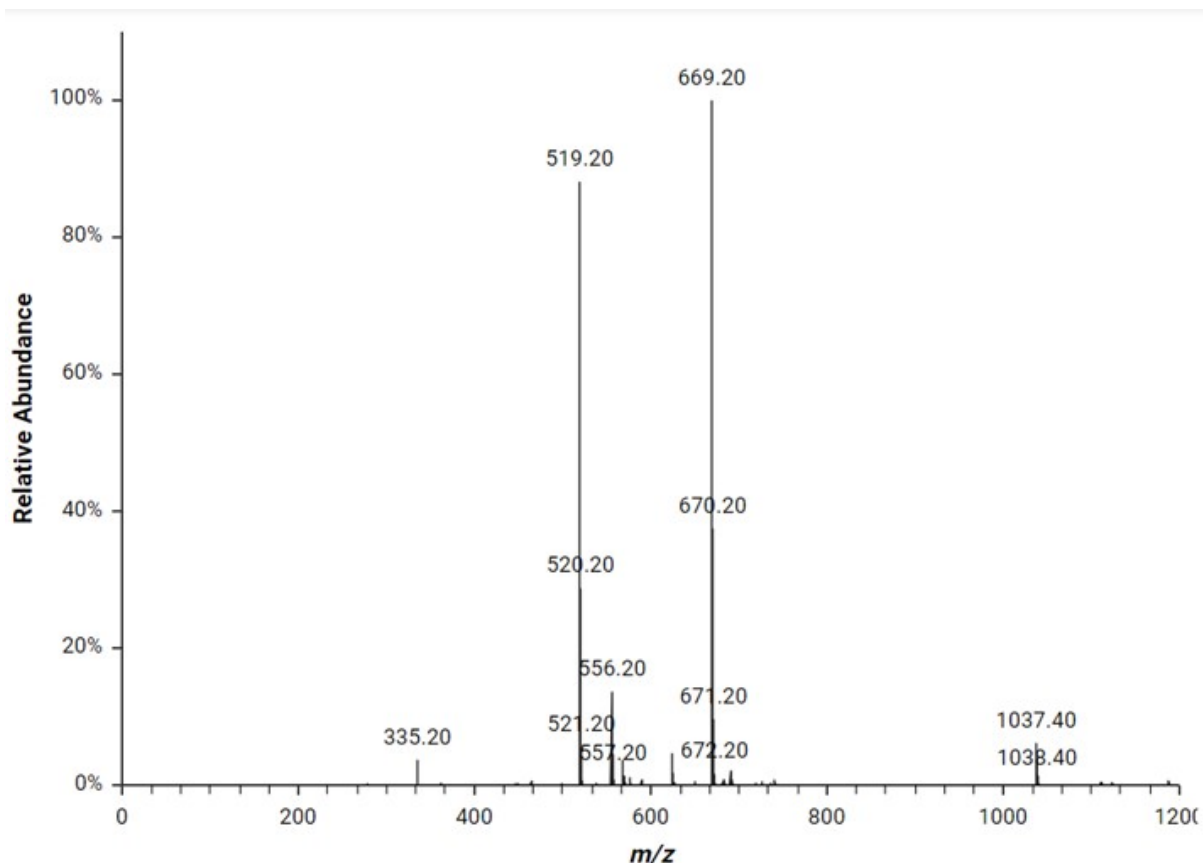
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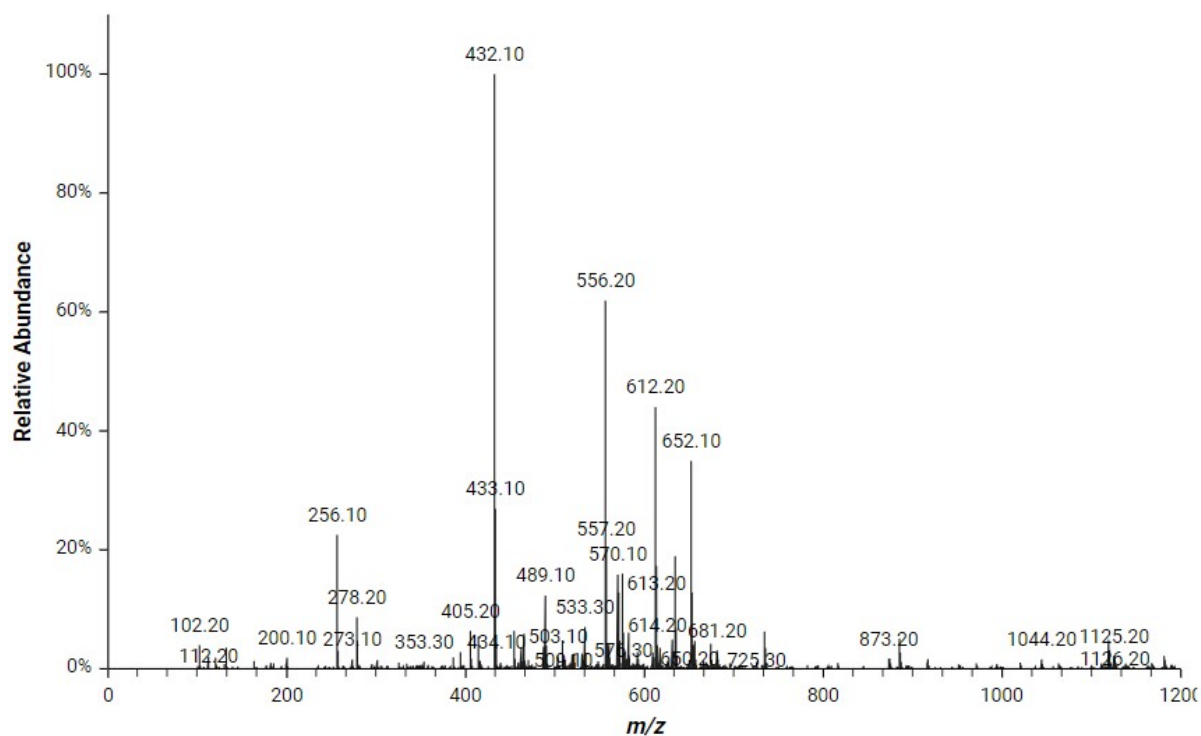
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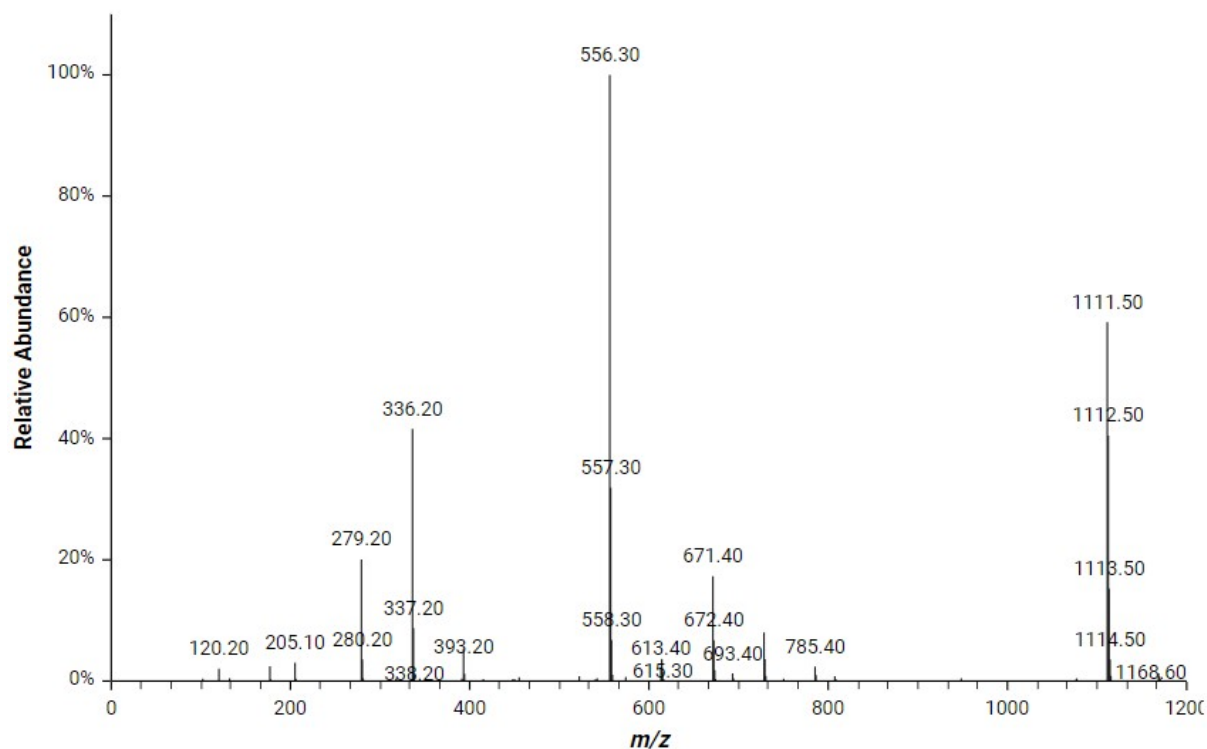
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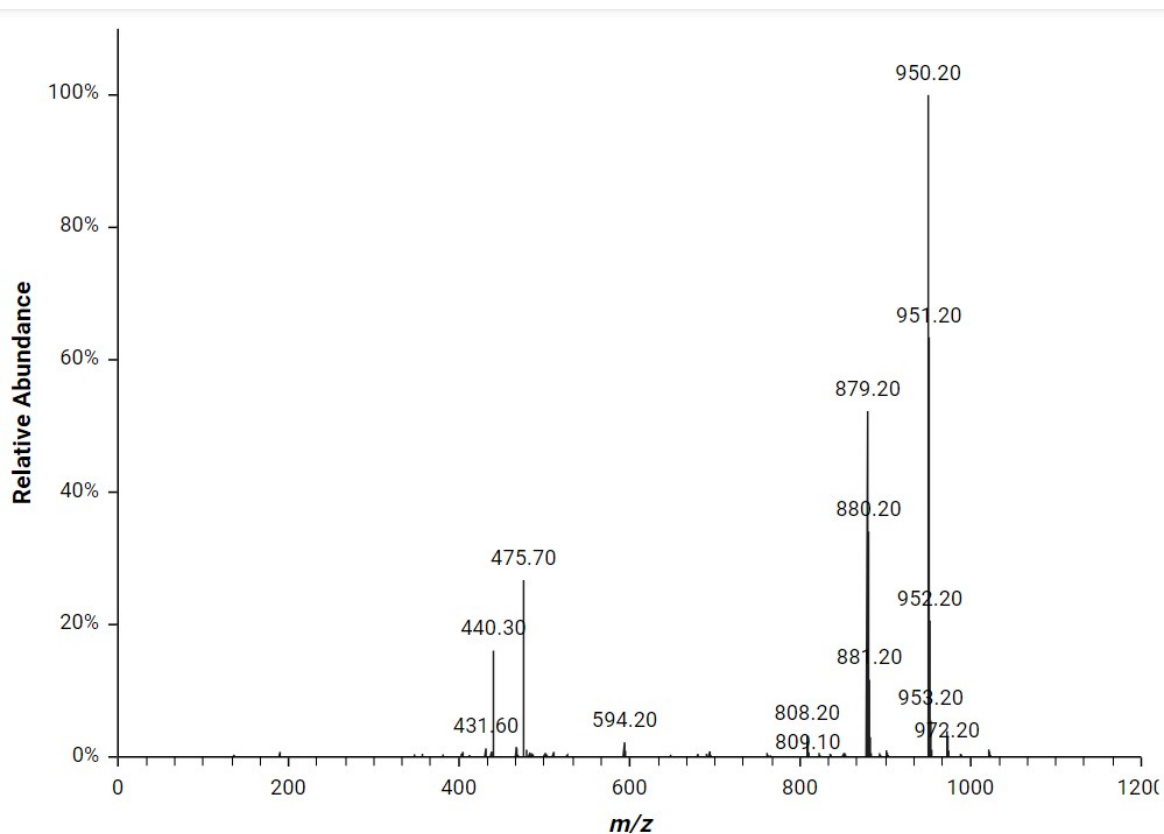
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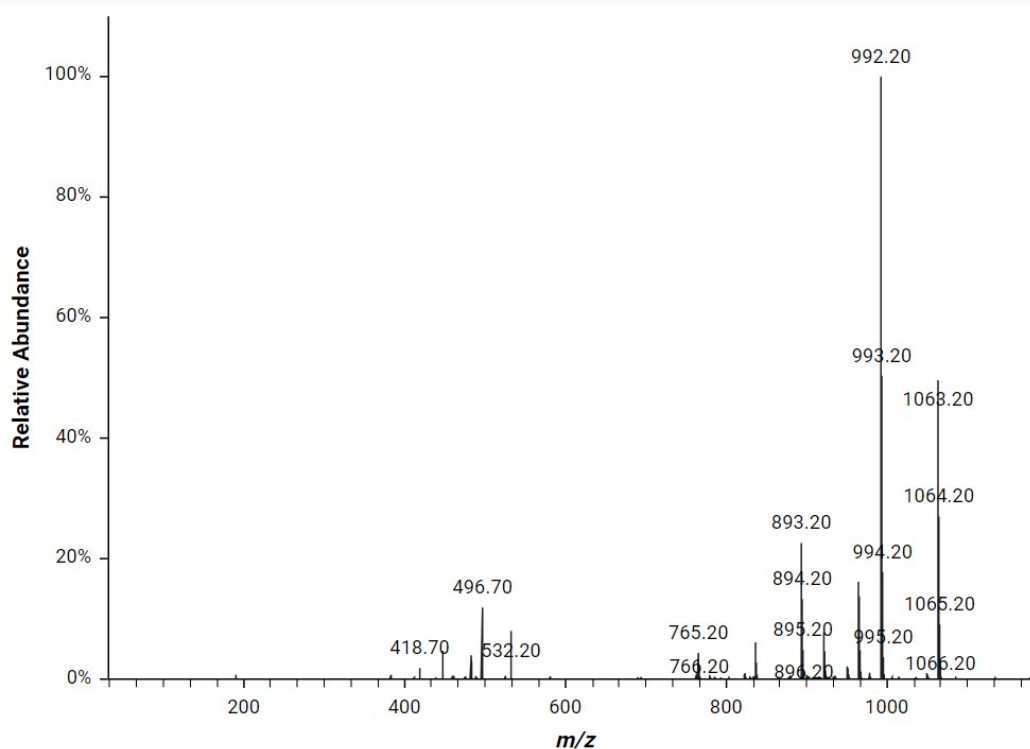
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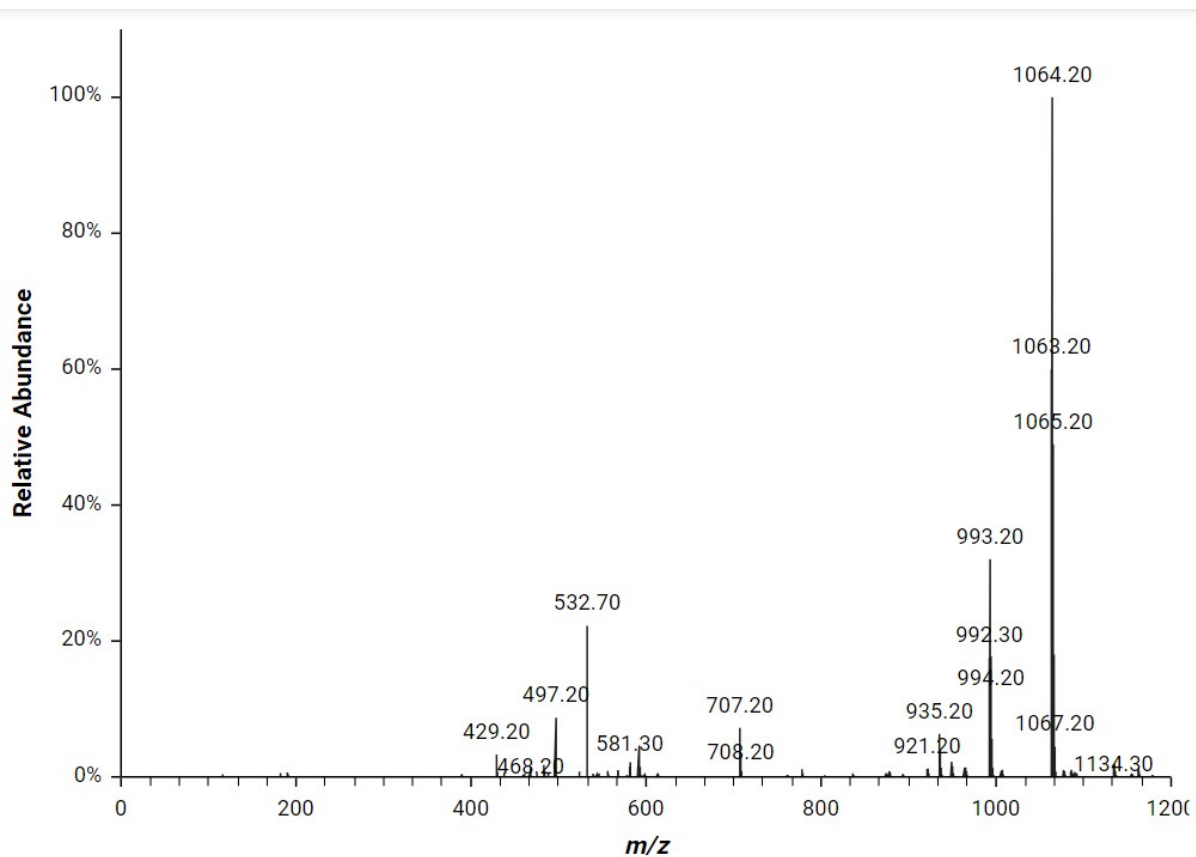


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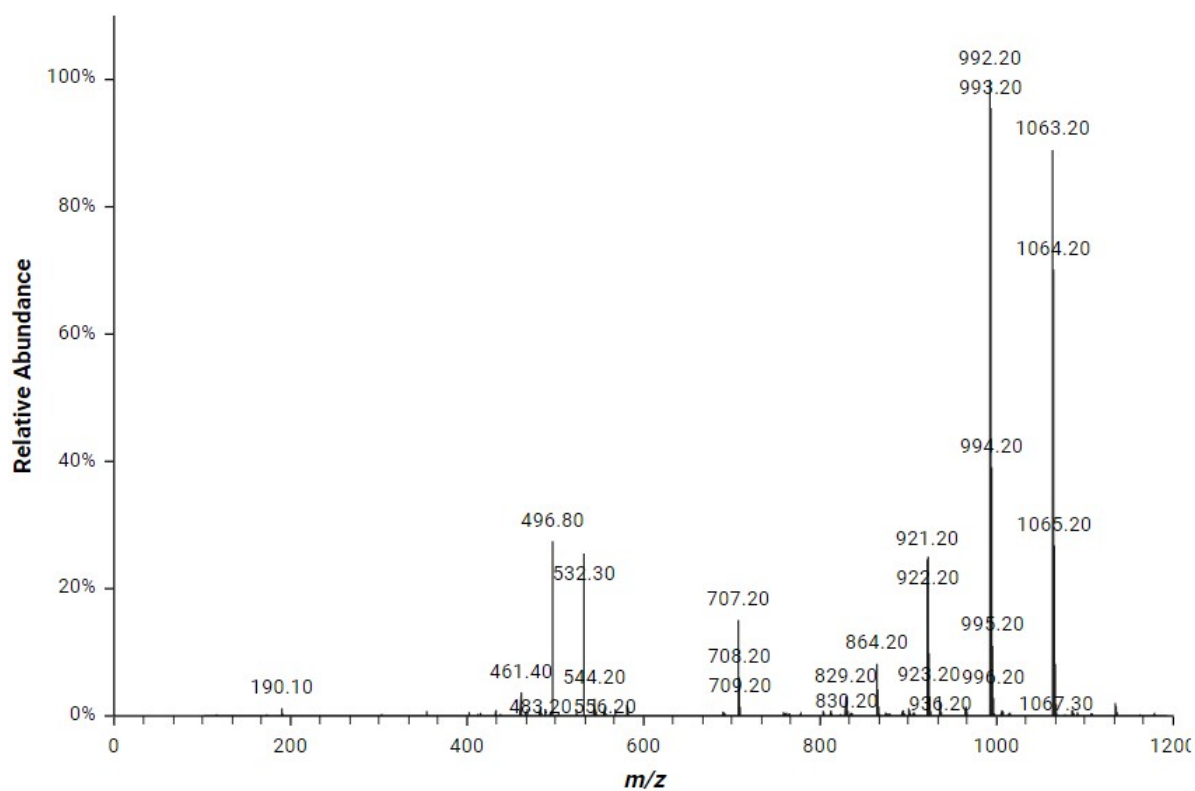


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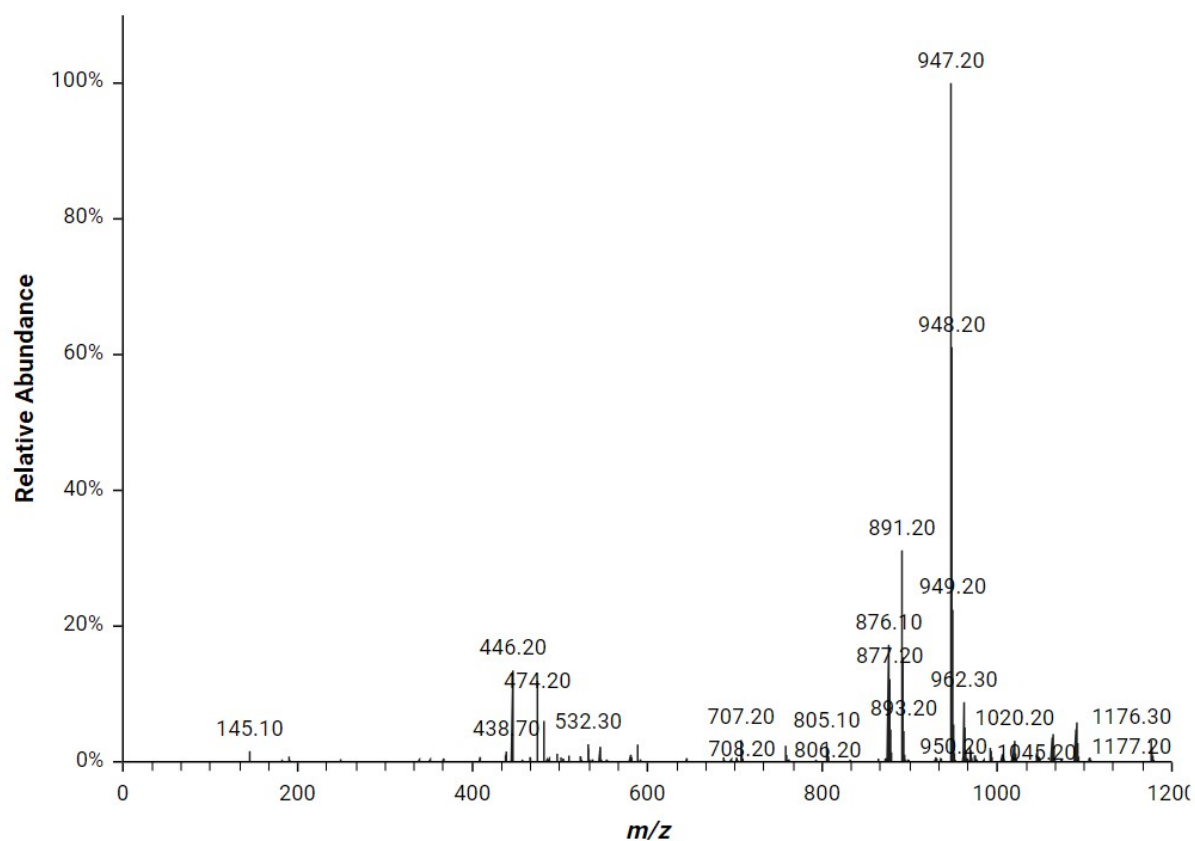




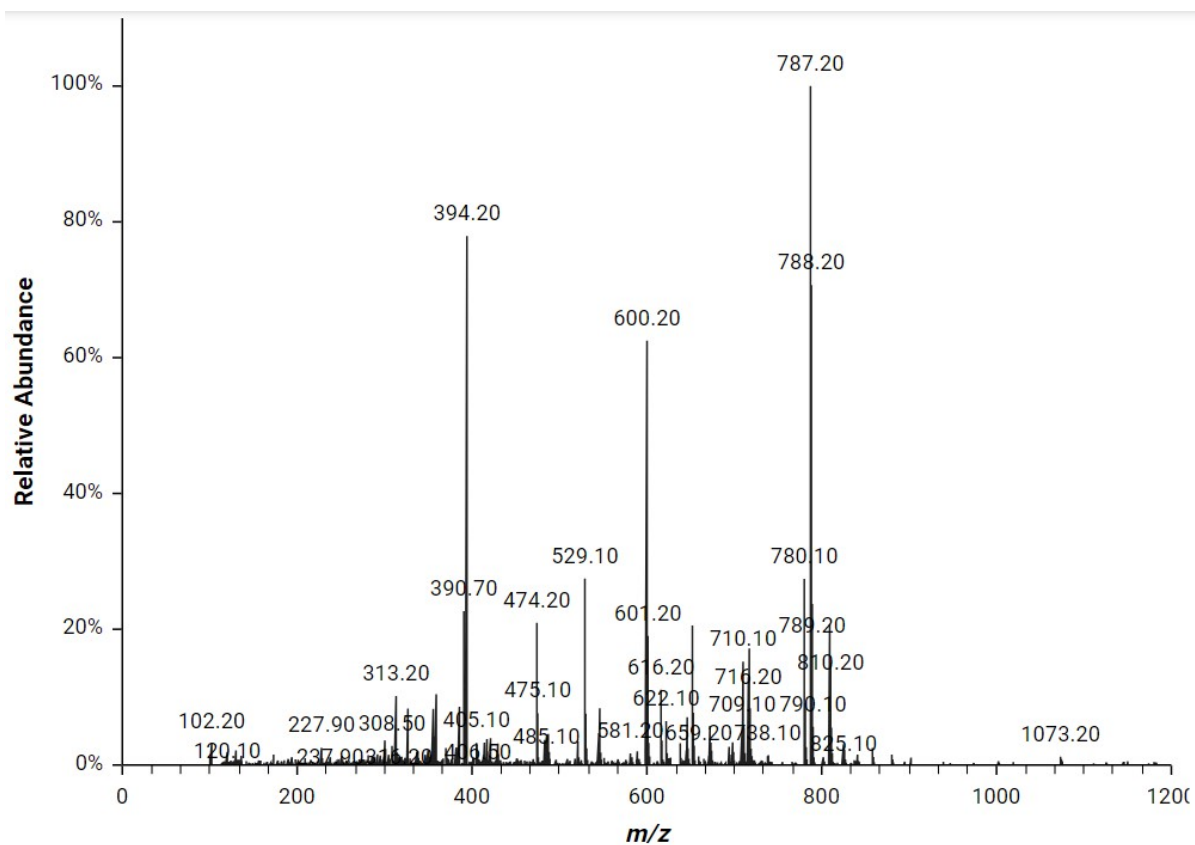
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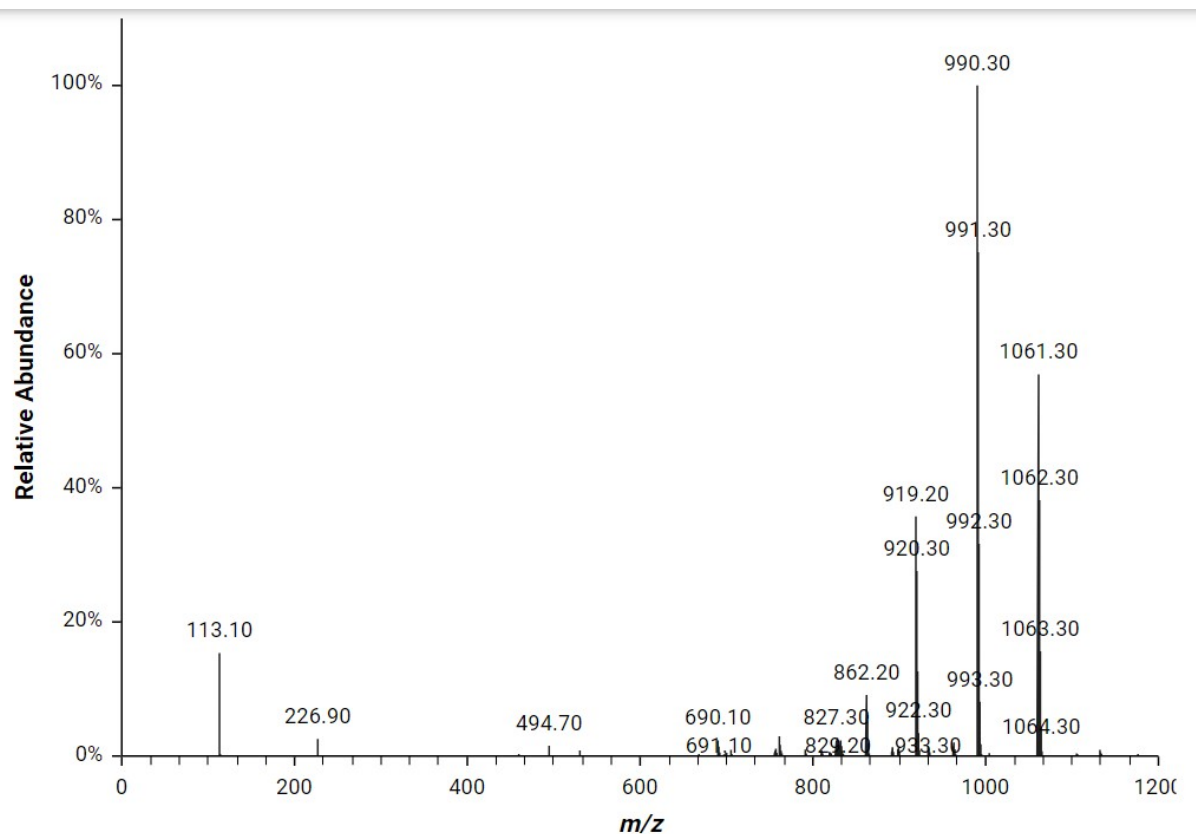
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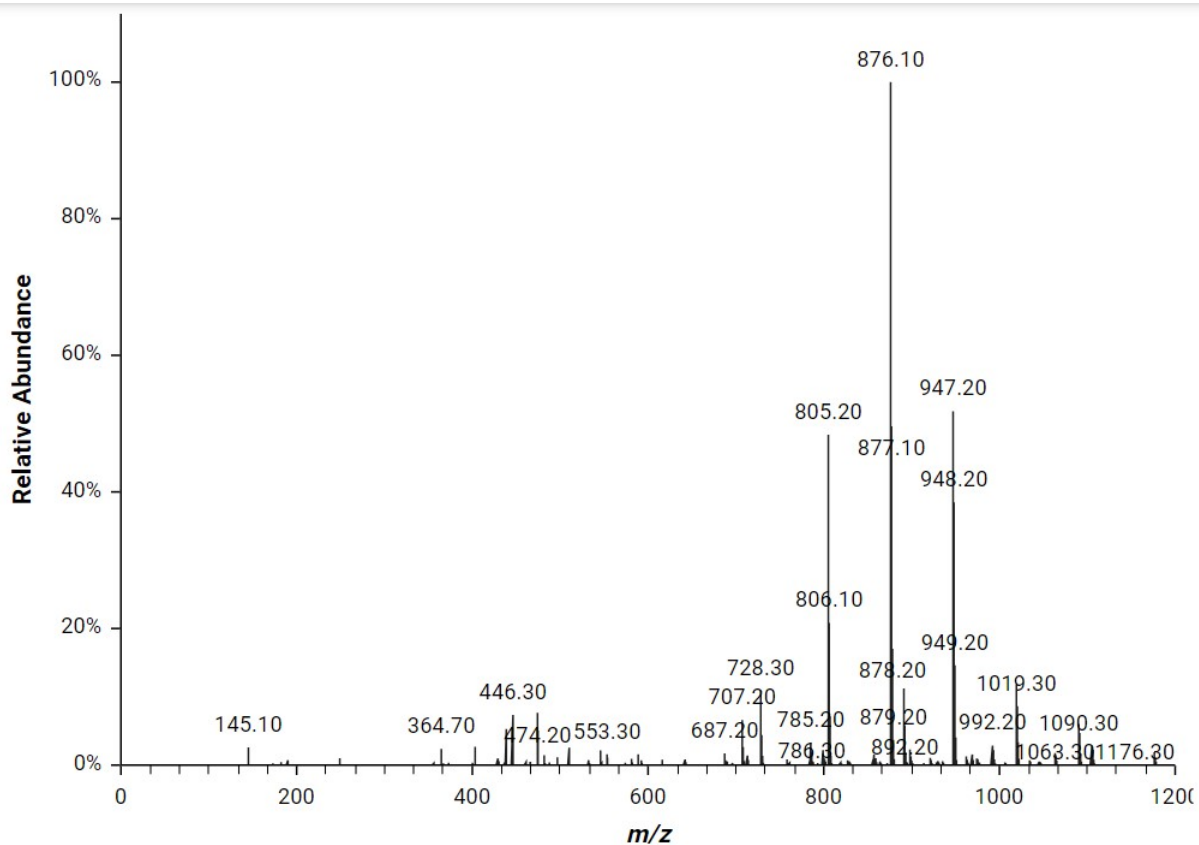
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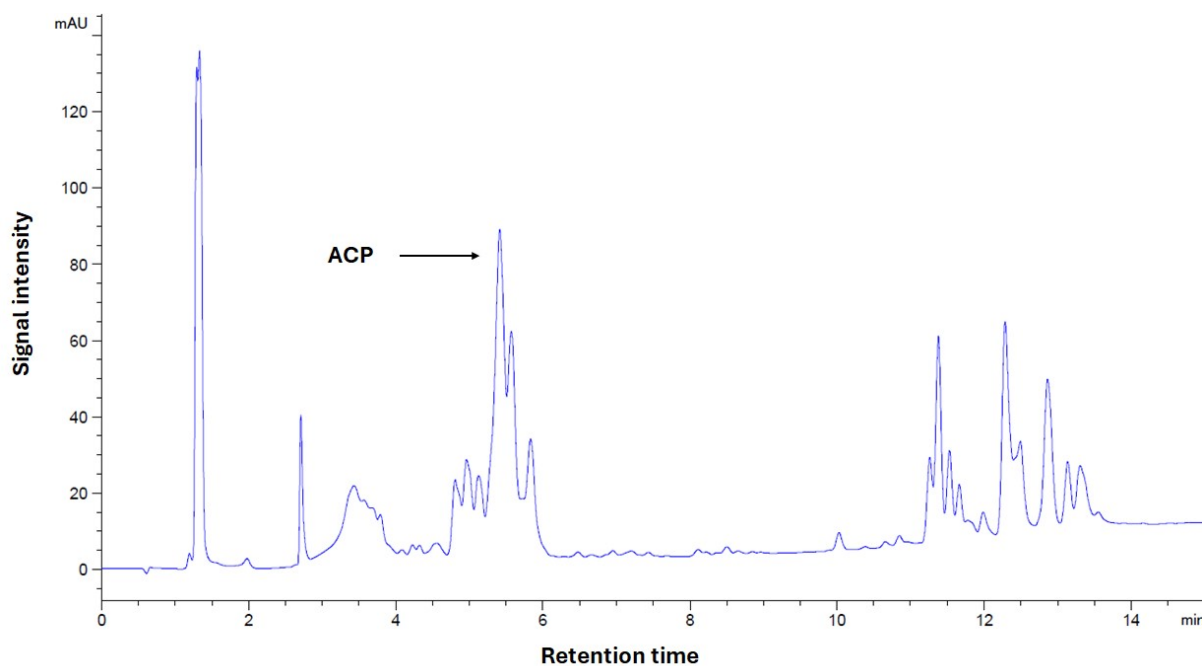
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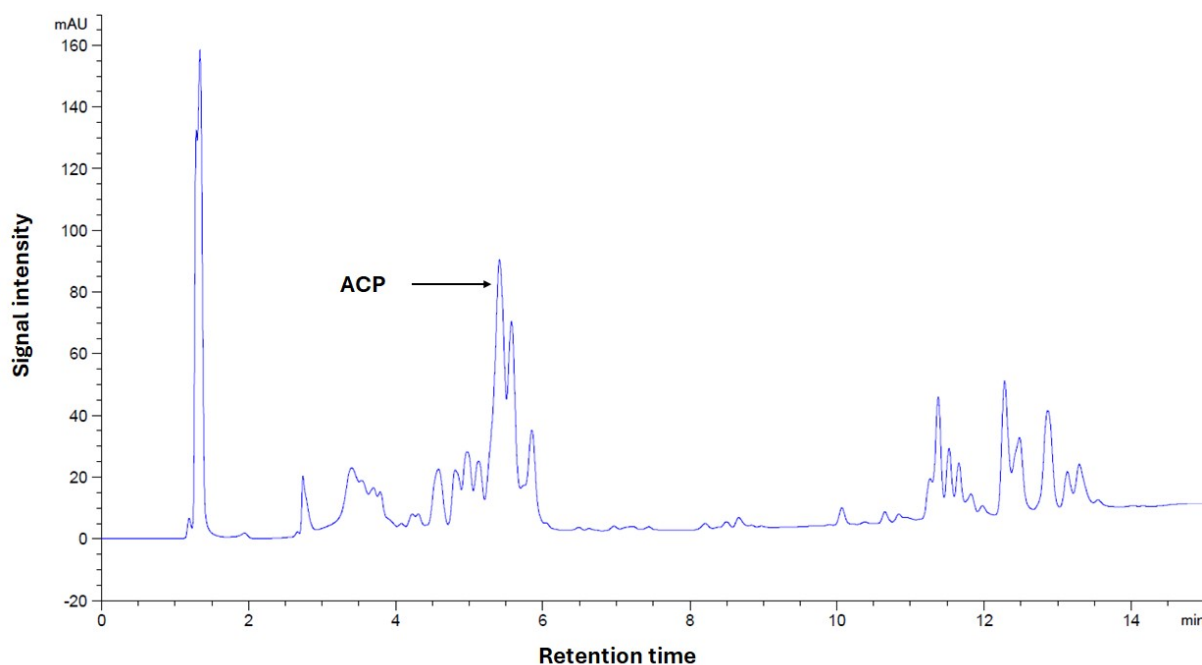
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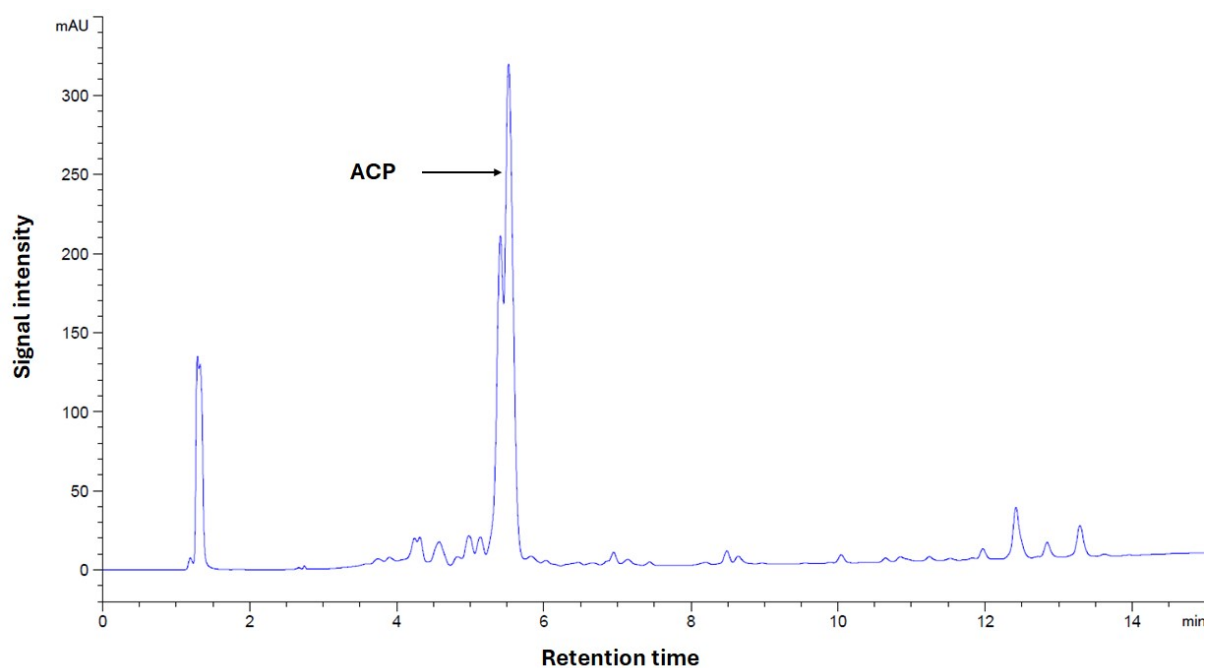
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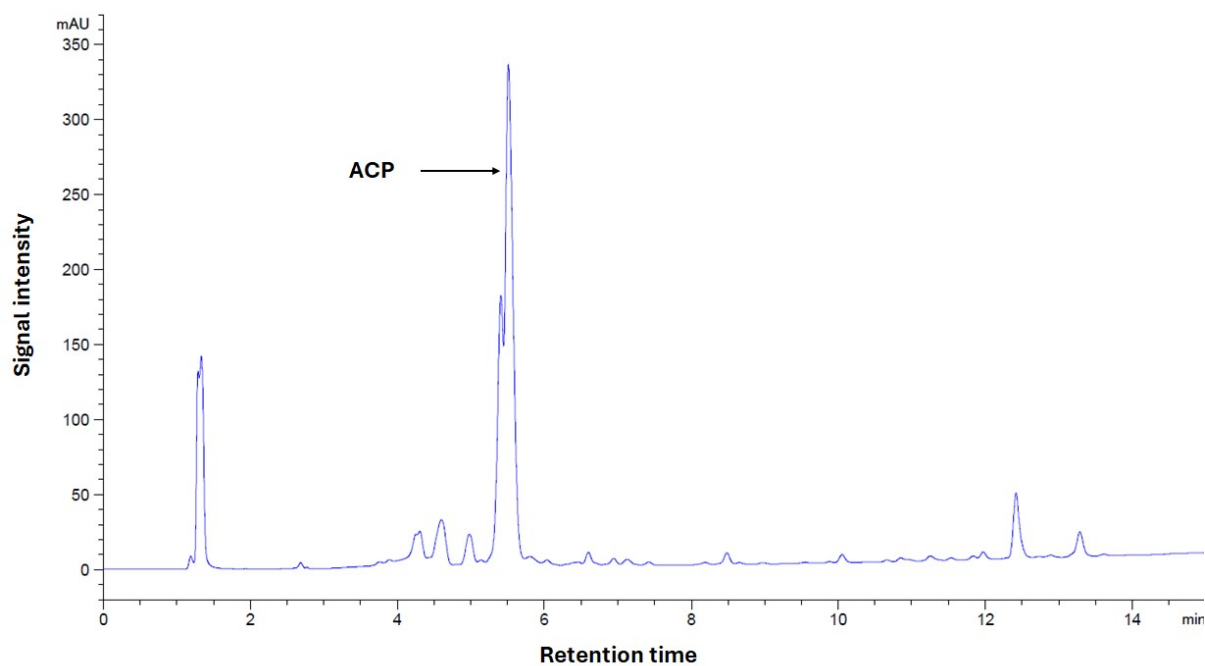
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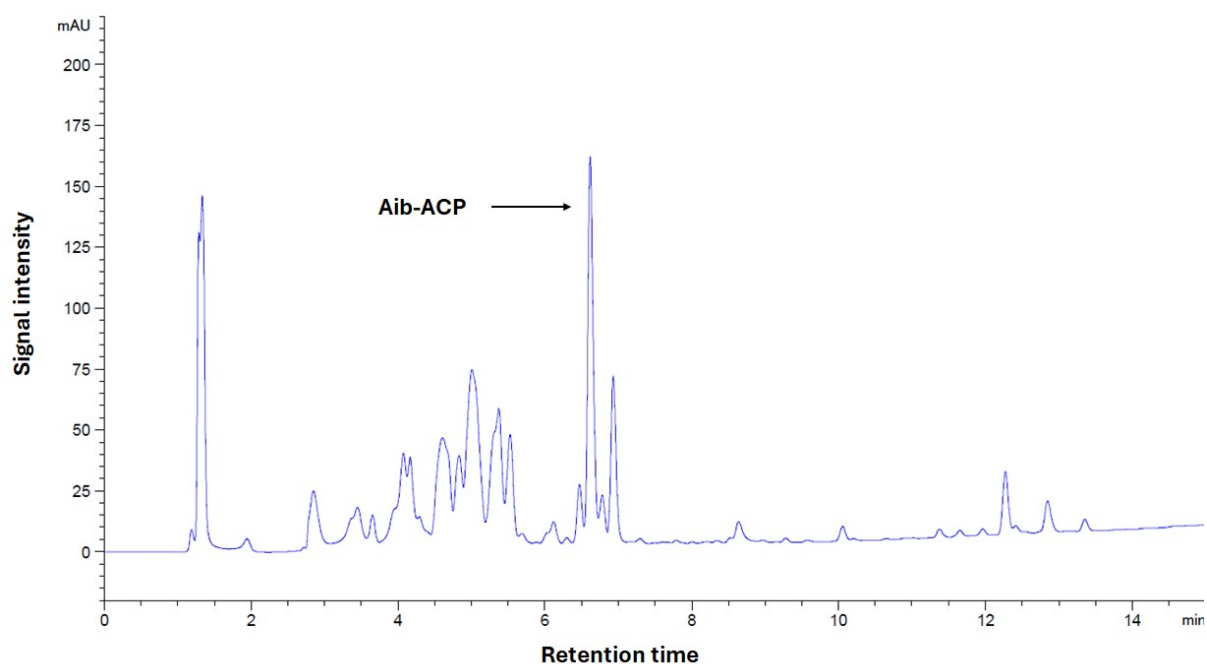
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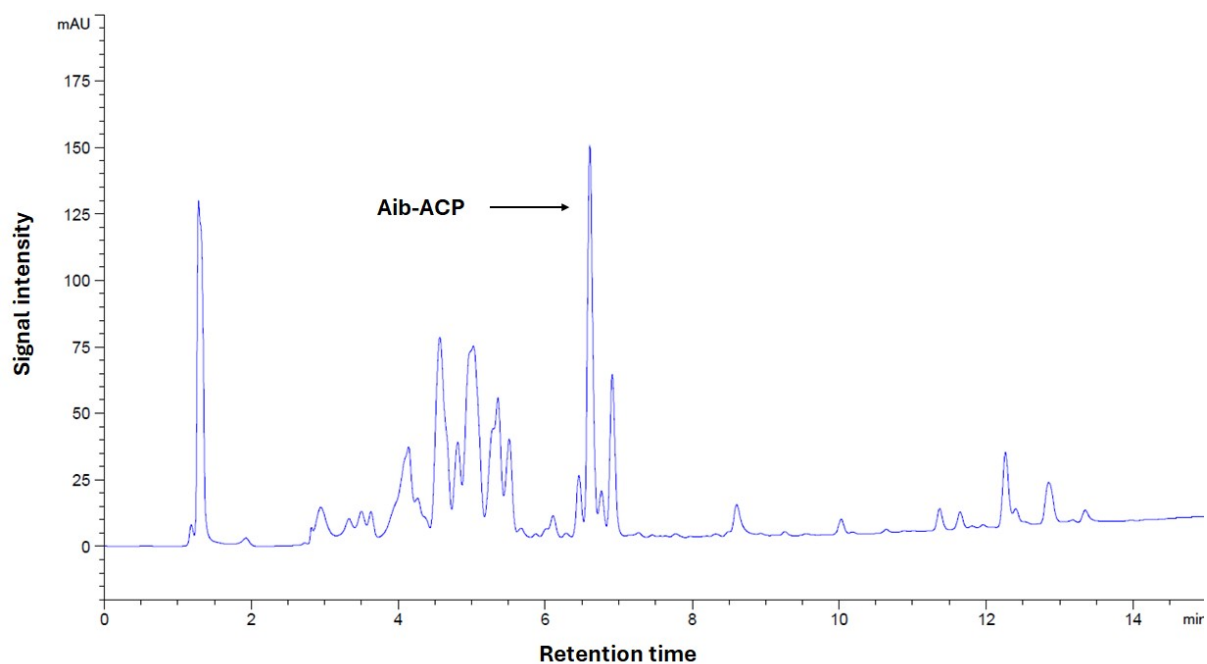
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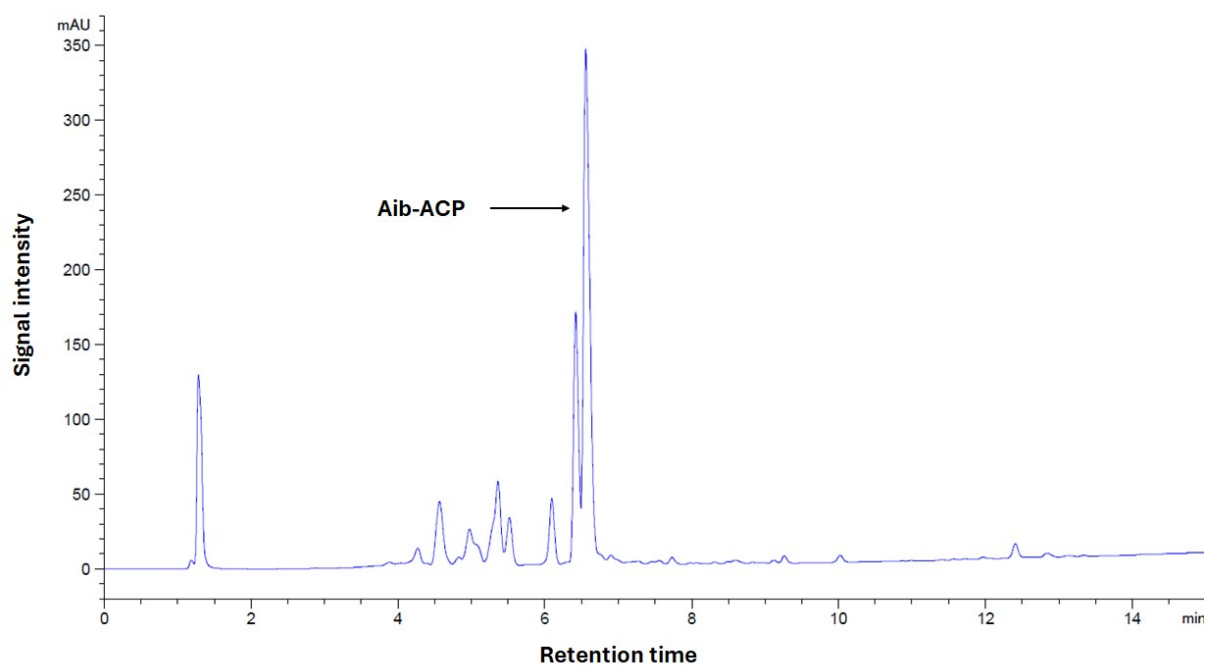
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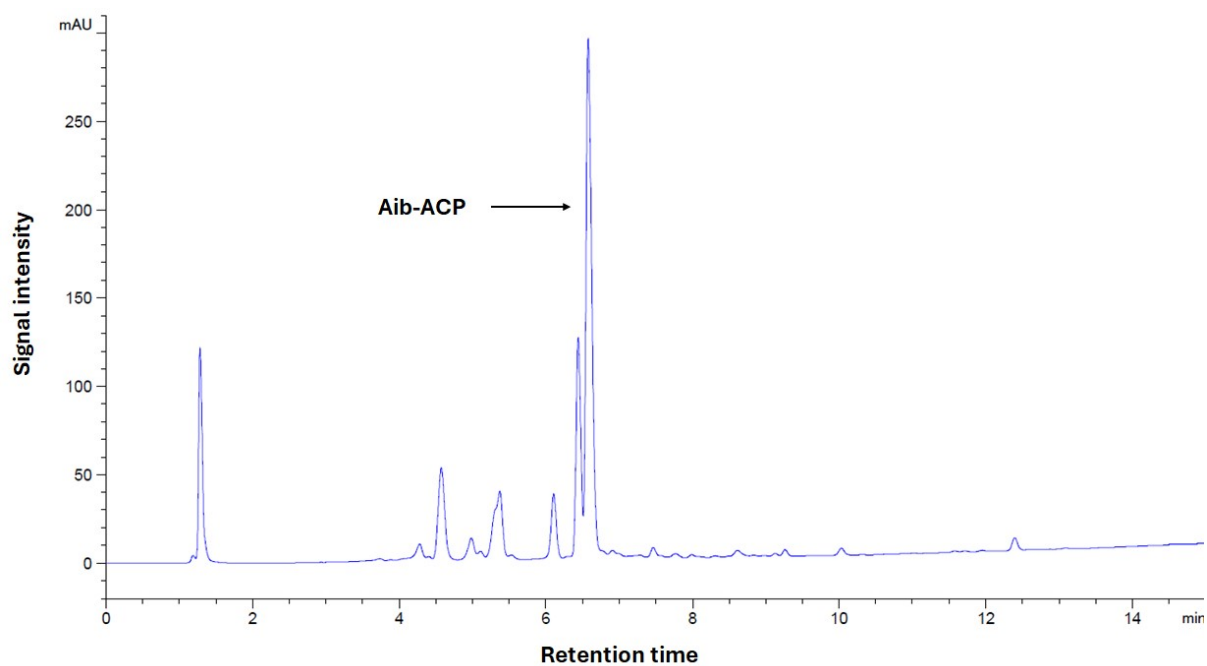
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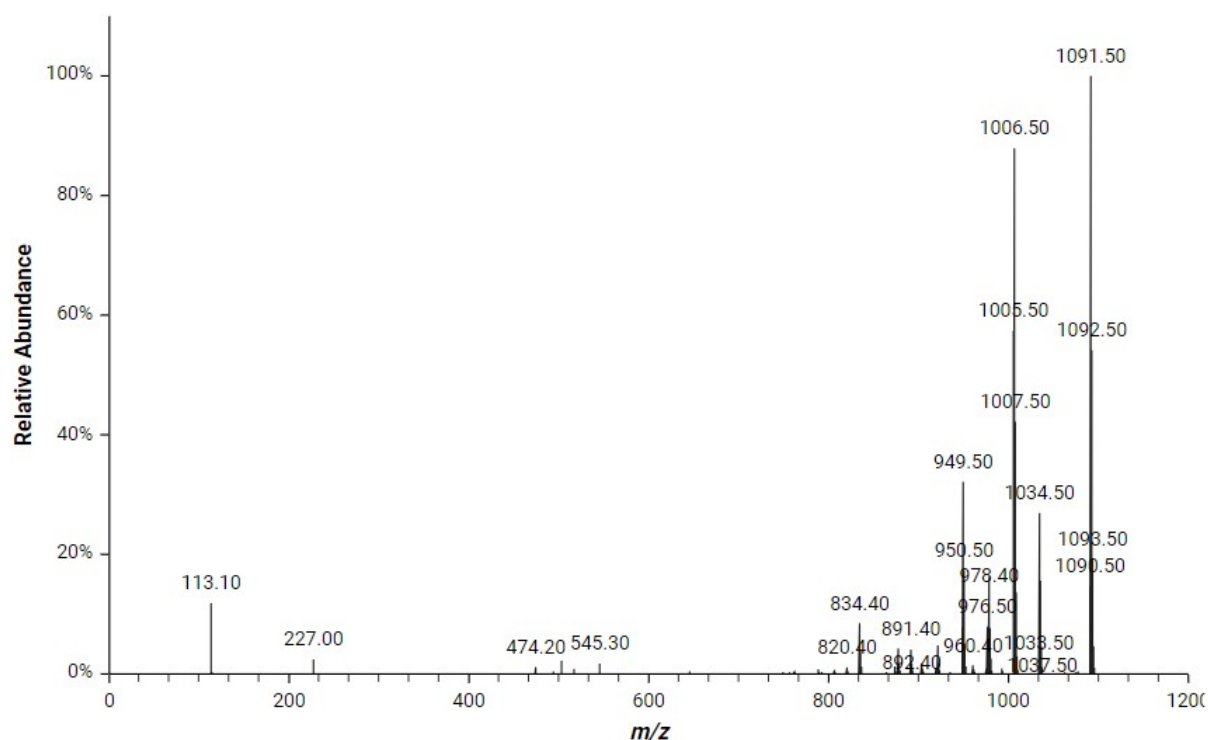


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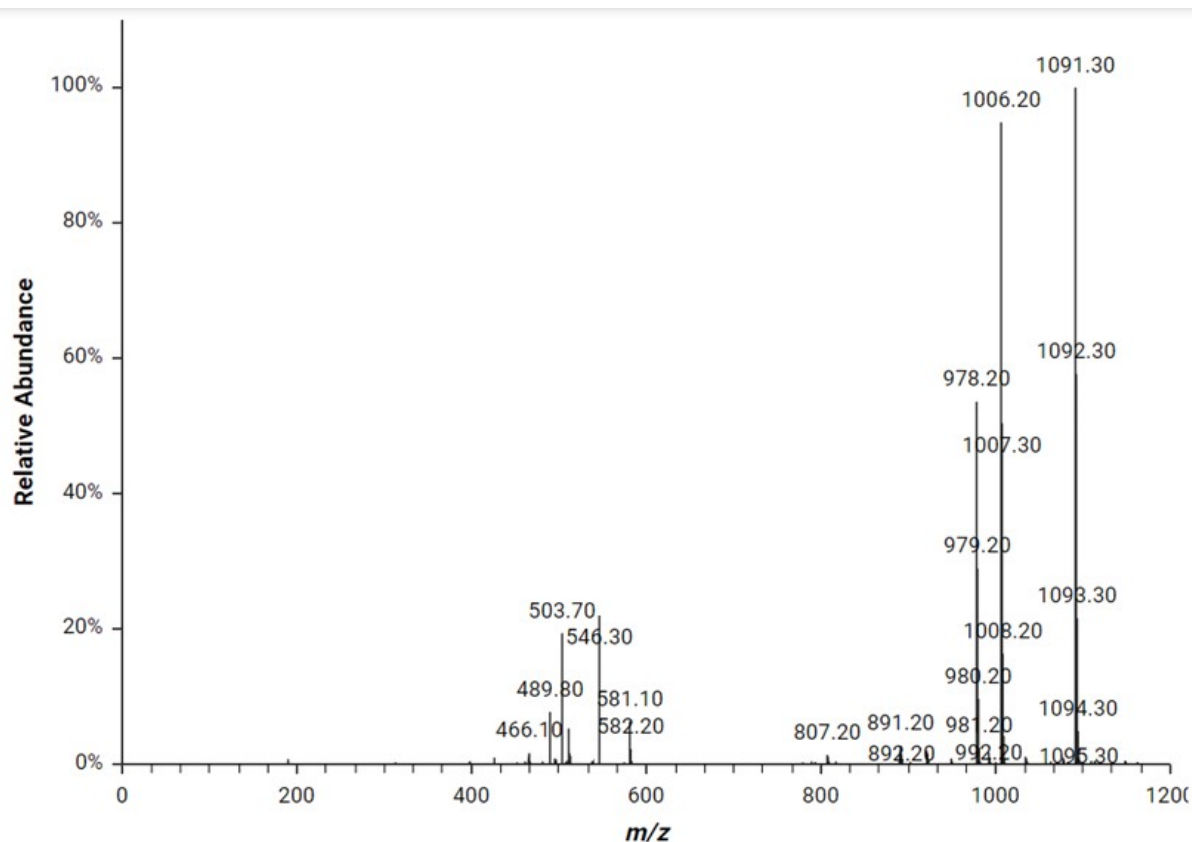


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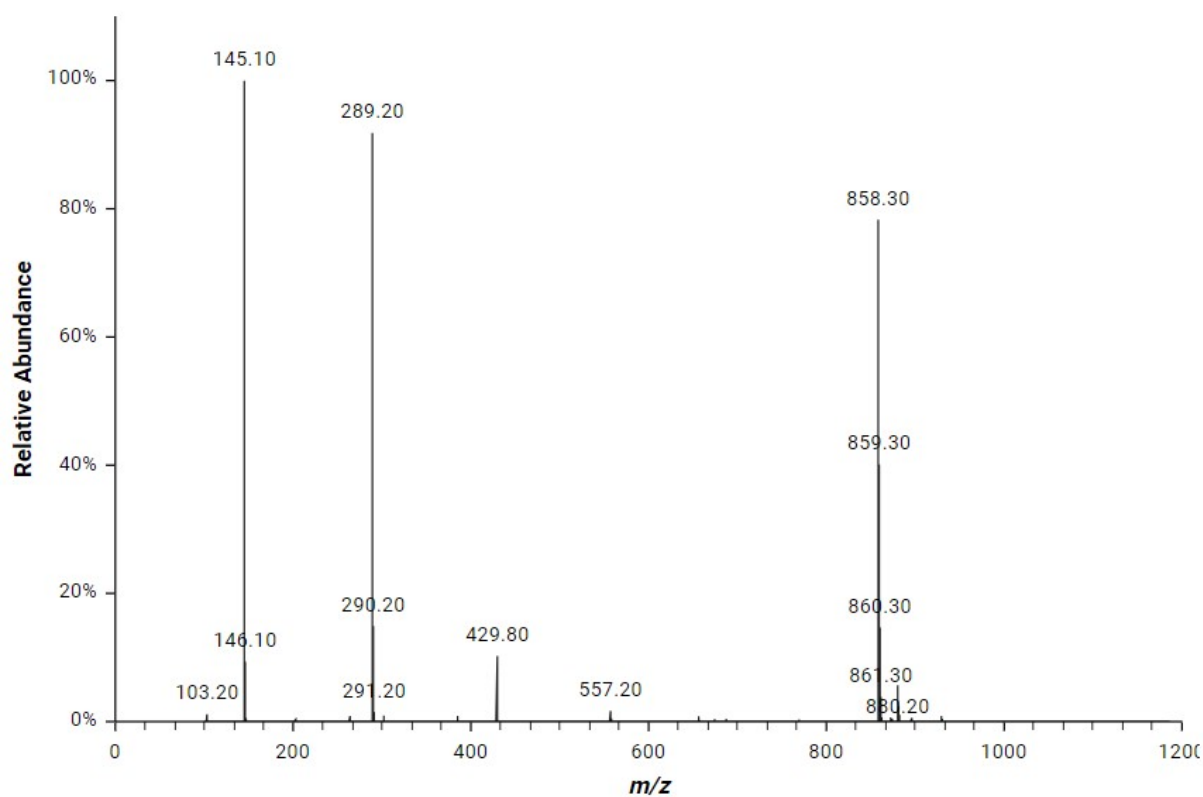


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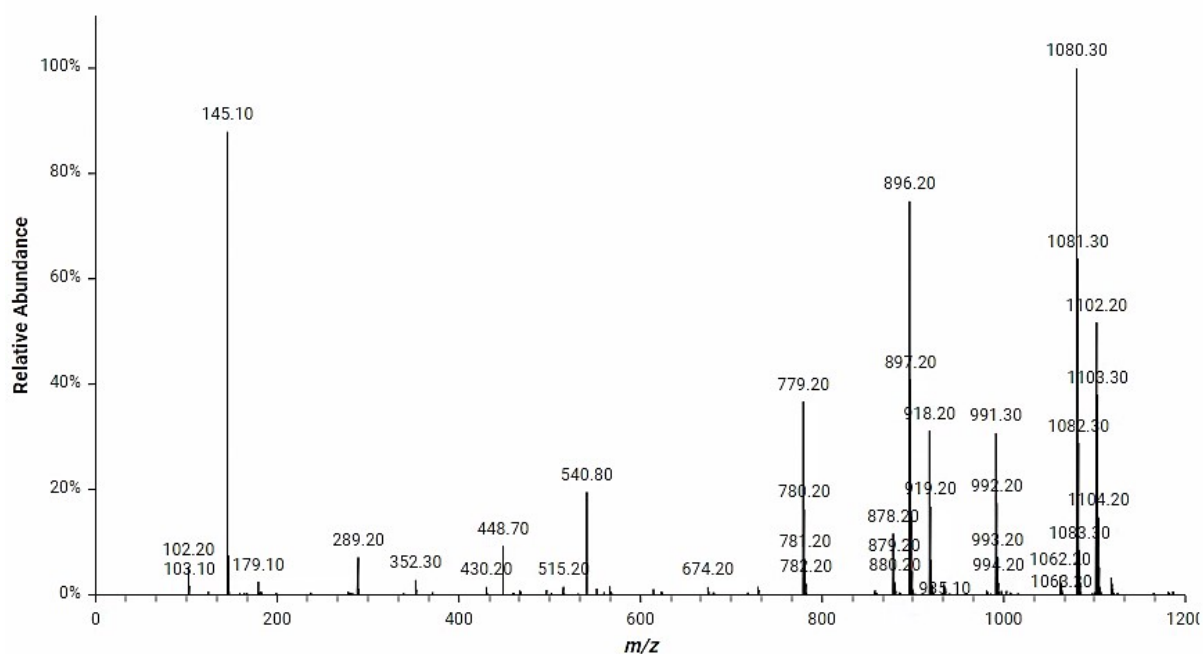


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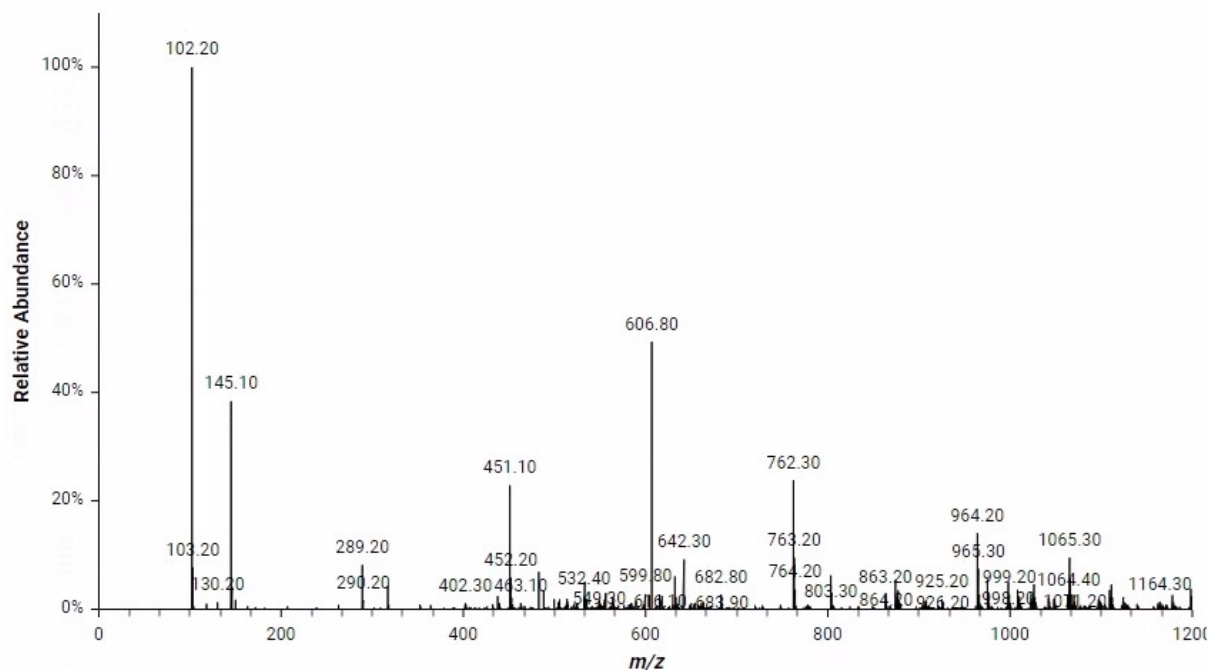
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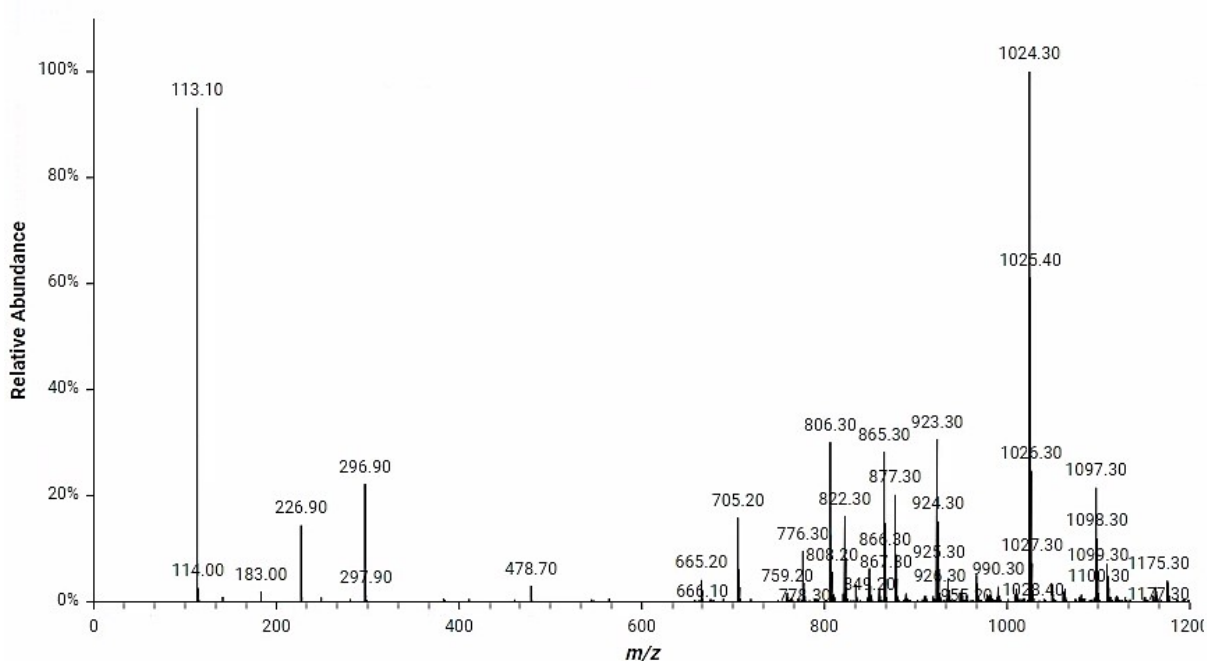
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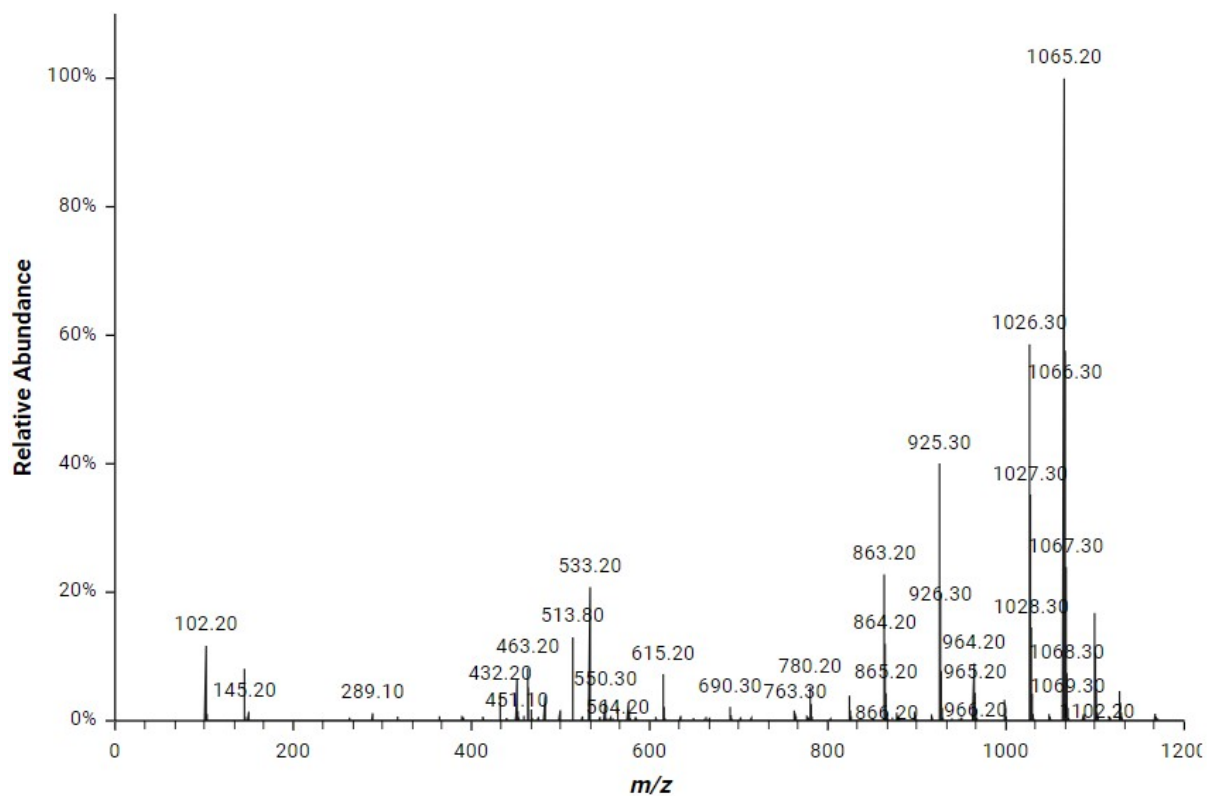
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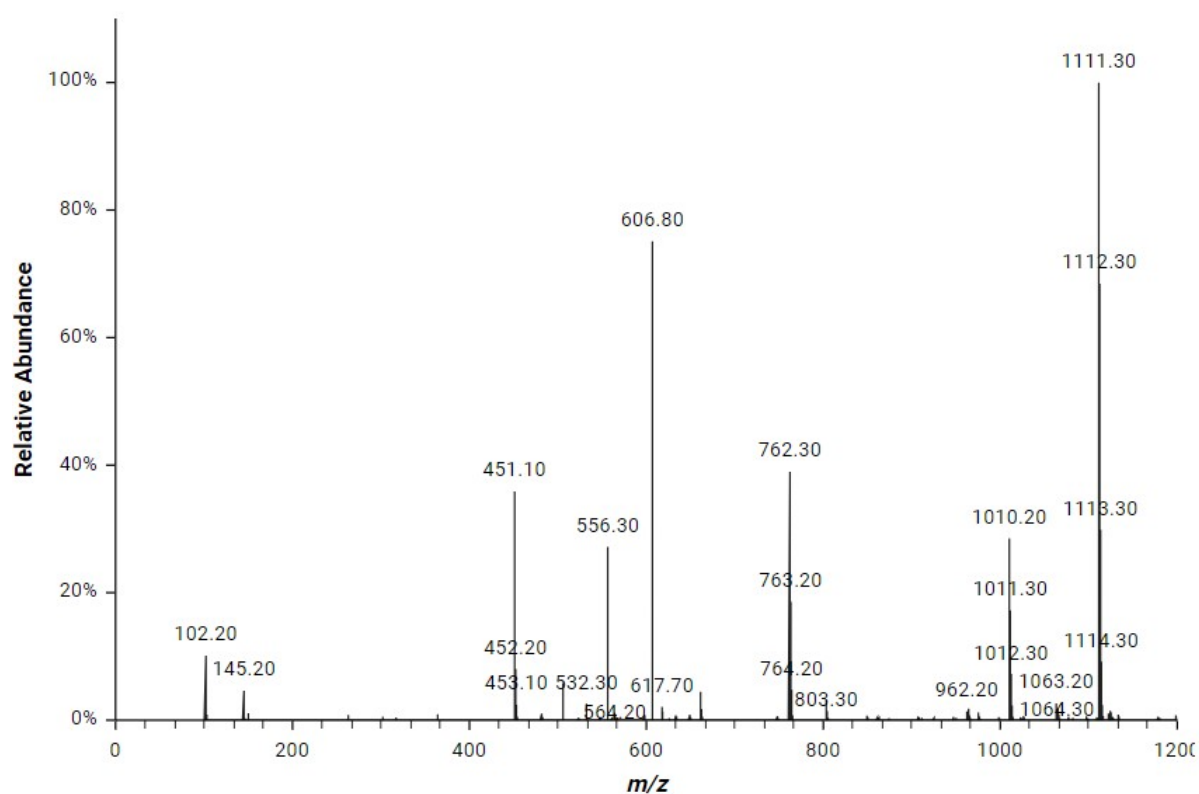
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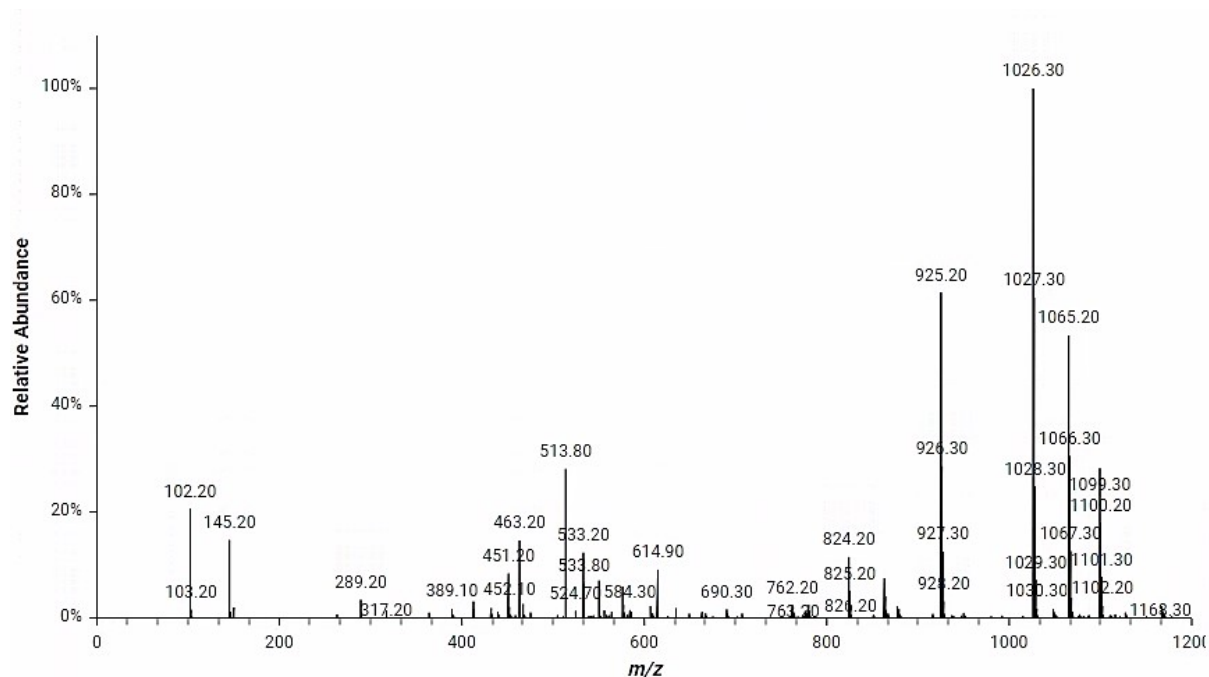
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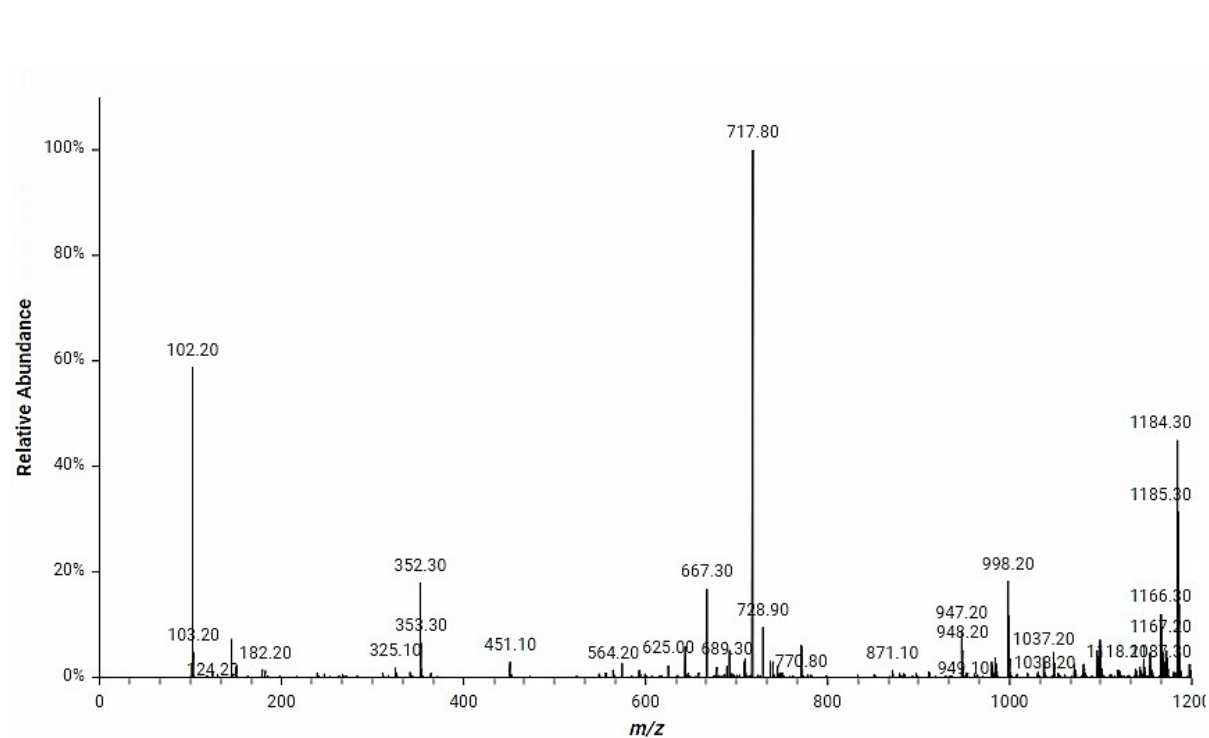
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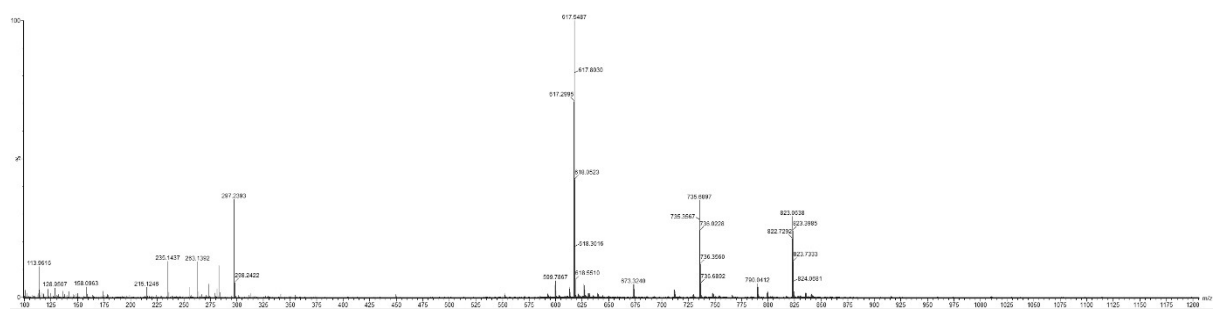
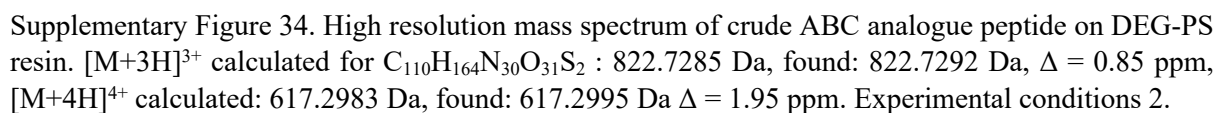
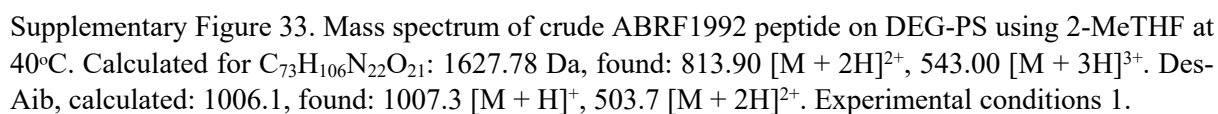
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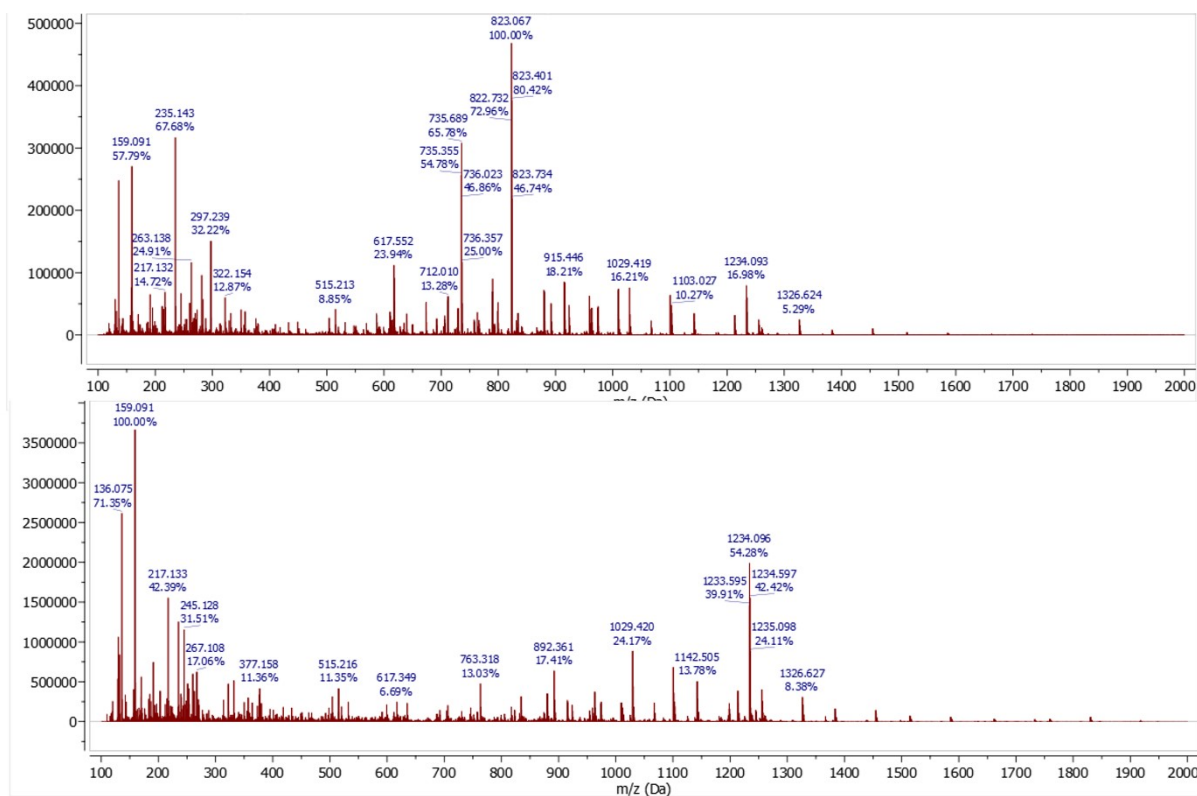
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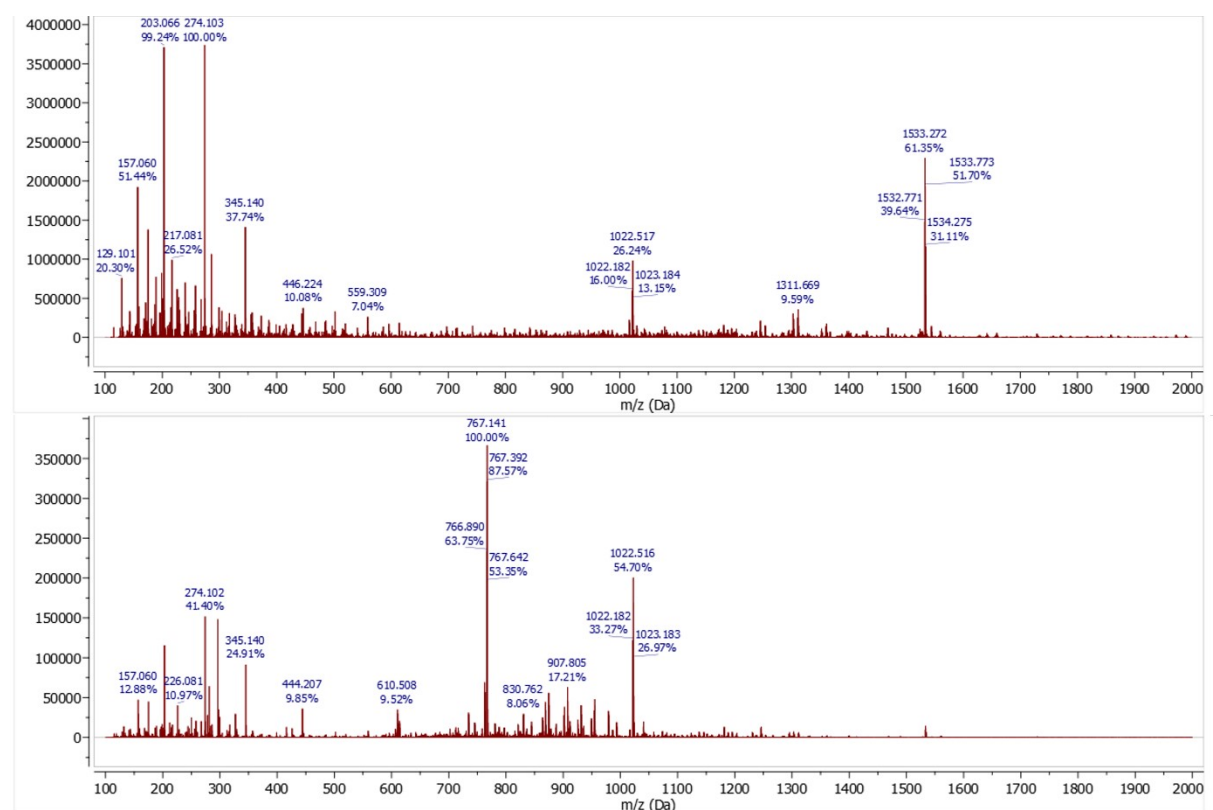
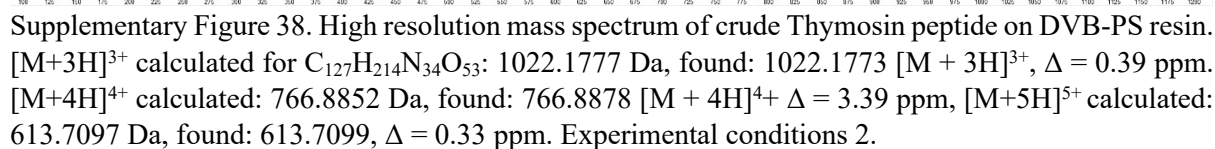
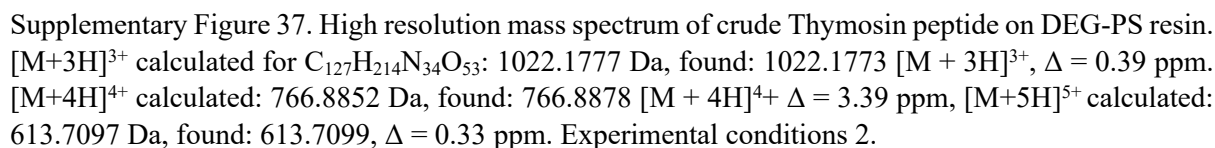
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Supplementary Figure 36. MS<sup>E</sup> spectra of ABC analogue peptide on DEG-PS resin, generated using conditions 2 with a collision voltage ramp of 15 V to 30 V (top) and 30 V to 60 V (bottom).

Supplementary Table 2: Fragment ions identified within the MS<sup>E</sup> spectra obtained for the crude ABC analogue peptide.

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|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| B <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 263.139        | 263.138      |
| B <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 449.218        | 449.218      |
| Y <sub>4</sub> <sup>++</sup>  | 1009.483       | 1009.486     |
| Y <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 1916.911       | 1916.927     |
| Y <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 1829.879       | 1829.875     |
| Y <sub>7</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 1732.826       | 1732.845     |
| Y <sub>8</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 1585.757       | 1585.751     |
| Y <sub>9</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 1454.717       | 1454.722     |
| Y <sub>10</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 1326.622       | 1326.624     |
| Y <sub>11</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 1213.538       | 1213.539     |
| Y <sub>12</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 1100.454       | 1100.455     |
| Y <sub>13</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 963.395        | 963.397      |
| Y <sub>14</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 834.352        | 834.354      |
| Y <sub>15</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 706.294        | 706.296      |
| Y <sub>17</sub> <sup>++</sup> | 245.124        | 245.128      |





Supplementary Figure 39. High resolution MS<sup>E</sup> spectra of crude Thymosin peptide on DEG-PS resin, generated using conditions 2 with a collision voltage ramp of 15 V to 30 V (top) and 30 V to 60 V (bottom).

Supplementary Table 3: Fragment ions identified within the MS<sup>E</sup> spectra obtained for the crude Thymosin peptide.

| Fragment ion                  | Calculated m/z | Observed m/z |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| B <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 203.066        | 203.066      |
| B <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 274.103        | 274.103      |
| B <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 345.141        | 345.140      |
| B <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 444.209        | 444.208      |
| B <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup>   | 559.236        | 559.237      |
| Y <sub>7</sub> <sup>++</sup>  | 1254.140       | 1254.144     |
| Y <sub>15</sub> <sup>++</sup> | 830.425        | 830.433      |
| B <sub>24</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | 1302.666       | 1302.659     |