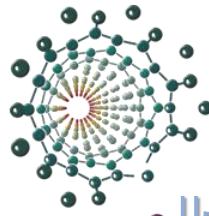


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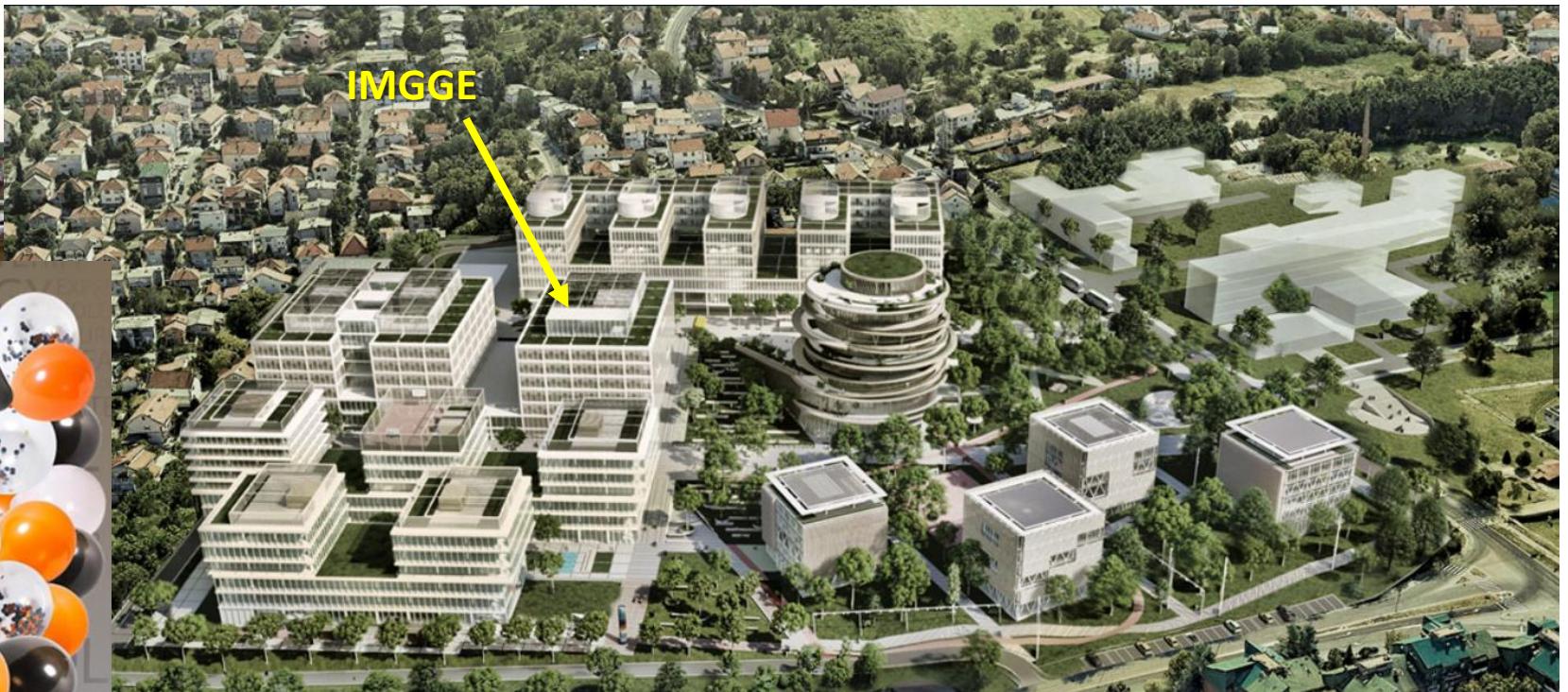
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# Upotreba MALDI\* masene spektrometrije u oslikavanju metabolita na presecima tkiva-studija oslikavanja fenolnih jedinjenja na presecima biljnog tkiva

\*Matricom potpomognuta laserska desorpcija/ionizacija  
eng. matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization



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Cancer



Regenerative biology



Medicinal biotechnology



Bacteria and health



Rare diseases



Eco-biotechnology



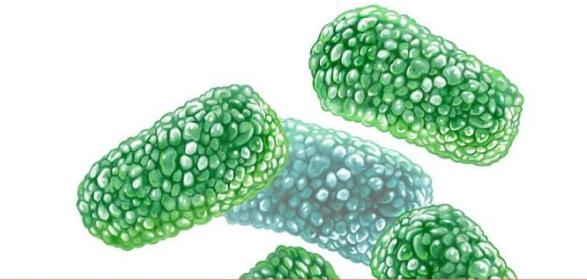
Pharmacogenomics



Personalized medicine



Complex diseases



Food biotechnology



Microorganisms and environment



SARS-CoV-2

# Laboratory for Plant Molecular Biology



- Molecular processes involved **in abiotic plant stress response** (high light intensity, UV-B radiation, drought and cold stress) by generating **CRISPR-Cas knockout and/or knockdown** as well as overexpressing *Arabidopsis* mutants;
- **Sink-source interactions in variegated leaves** in terms of carbon and nitrogen allocation and reactive oxygen species production related to photosynthetic activity;
- Mechanisms underlying the **desiccation tolerance in the resurrection plant *Ramonda serbica***—the role of phenolic compounds, cell wall organization, and **late embryogenesis abundant (LEA) proteins**;
- Leaf **transcriptome and metabolome in maize** with the aim to find **novel molecular markers** involved in low temperature and water deficit stress tolerance;
- **Cell-cell communications between plants and the plant growth-promoting bacteria**;
- **Genome integrity protection** and recycling of oxidatively damaged biomolecules in ***Ustilago maydis***,



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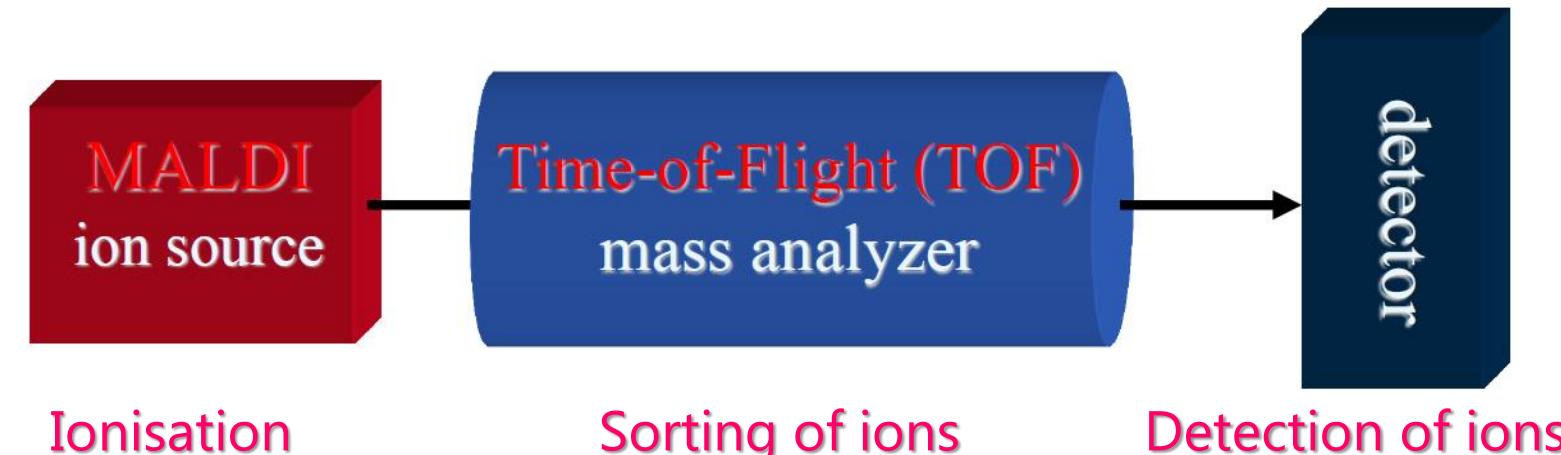
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# Šta je MALDI-TOF (/TOF) masena spektrometrija?

Tanaka Hillenkamp and Karas in the mid '80s - Nobel prize awarded 2002



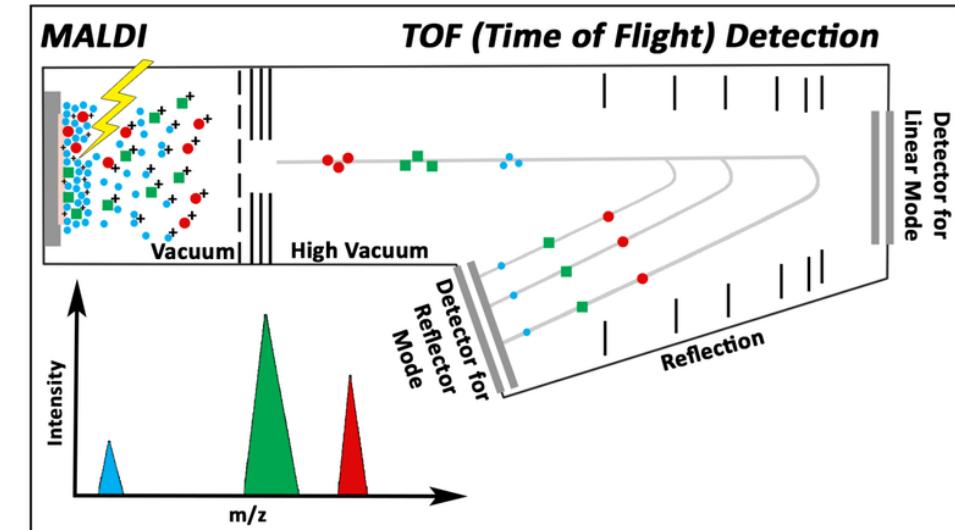
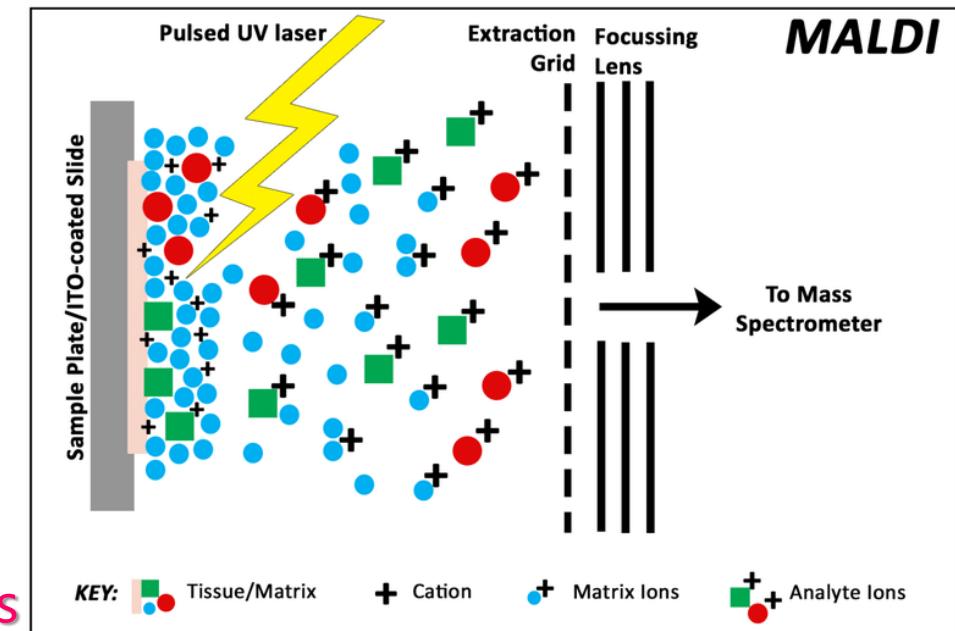
**Ionisation**

**Sorting of ions**

**Detection of ions**

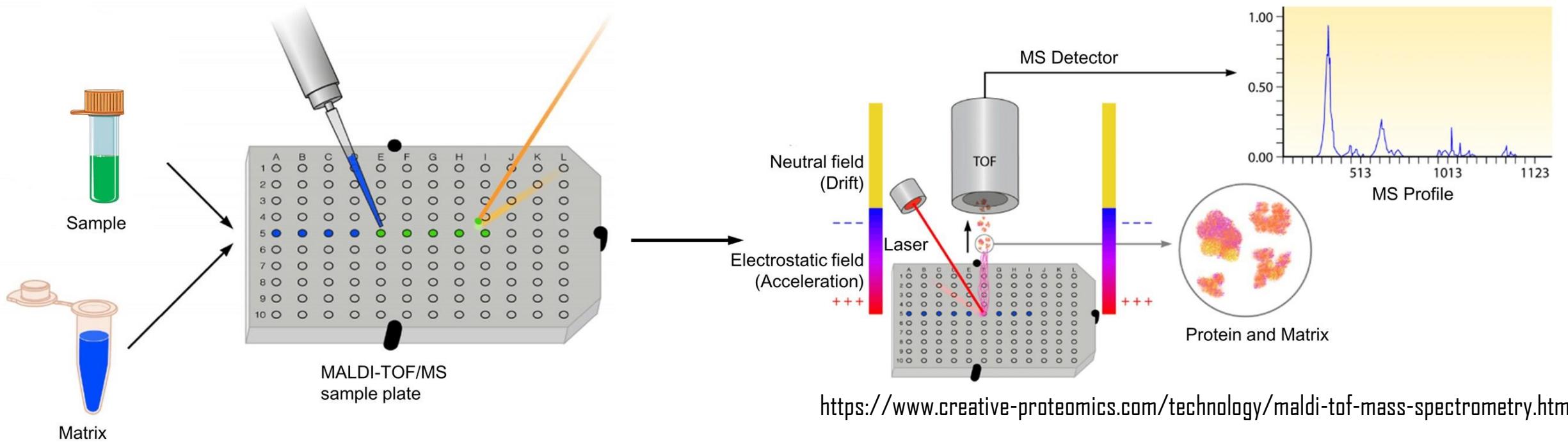
ToF:

relatively simple and inexpensive design and their excellent sensitivity and high-mass capability



# Šta je MALDI-TOF (/TOF) masena spektrometrija?

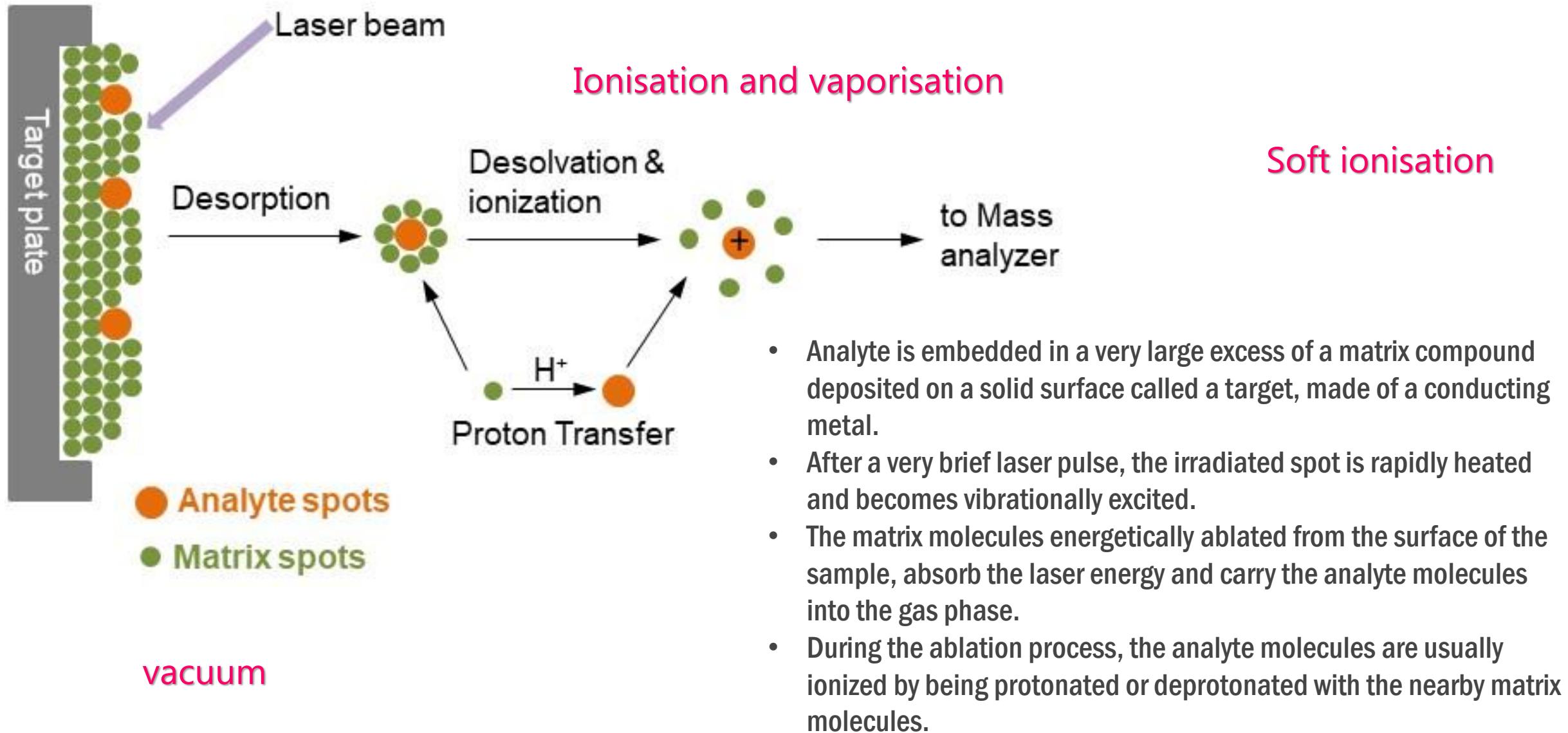
## Основни принцип



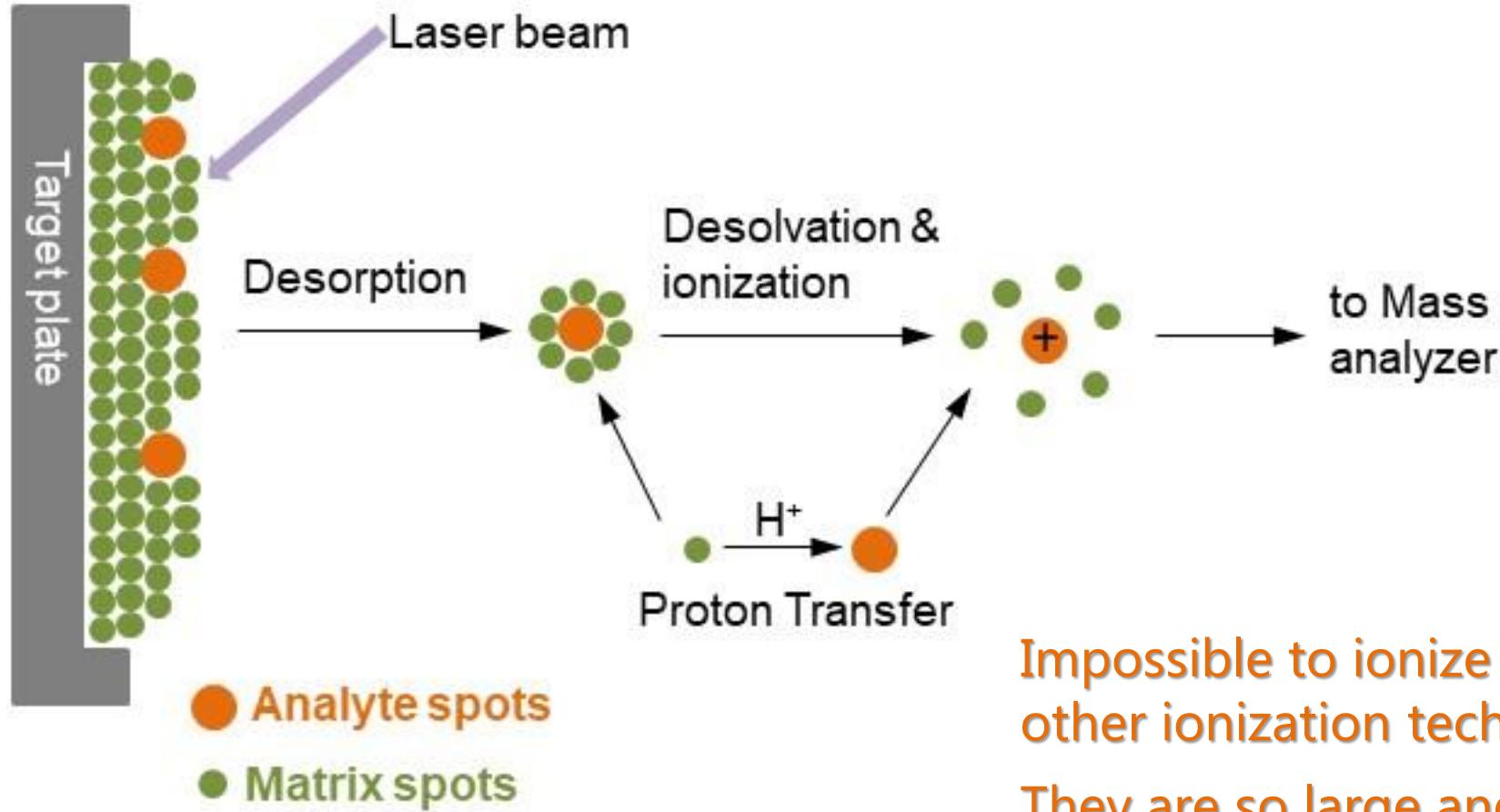
<https://www.creative-proteomics.com/technology/maldi-tof-mass-spectrometry.htm>

MALDI TOF-MS relies on the short laser pulse (typically 1-5 ns, depending on the laser) to produce discrete ion packets in the ion source, which are then continuously extracted from the ion source by the application of a large static electric potential (25-30 kv).

# MALDI - uloga matrice u ionizaciji



# MALDI - uloga matrice



Biomolecules:  
peptides  
lipids  
nucleotides  
saccharides...

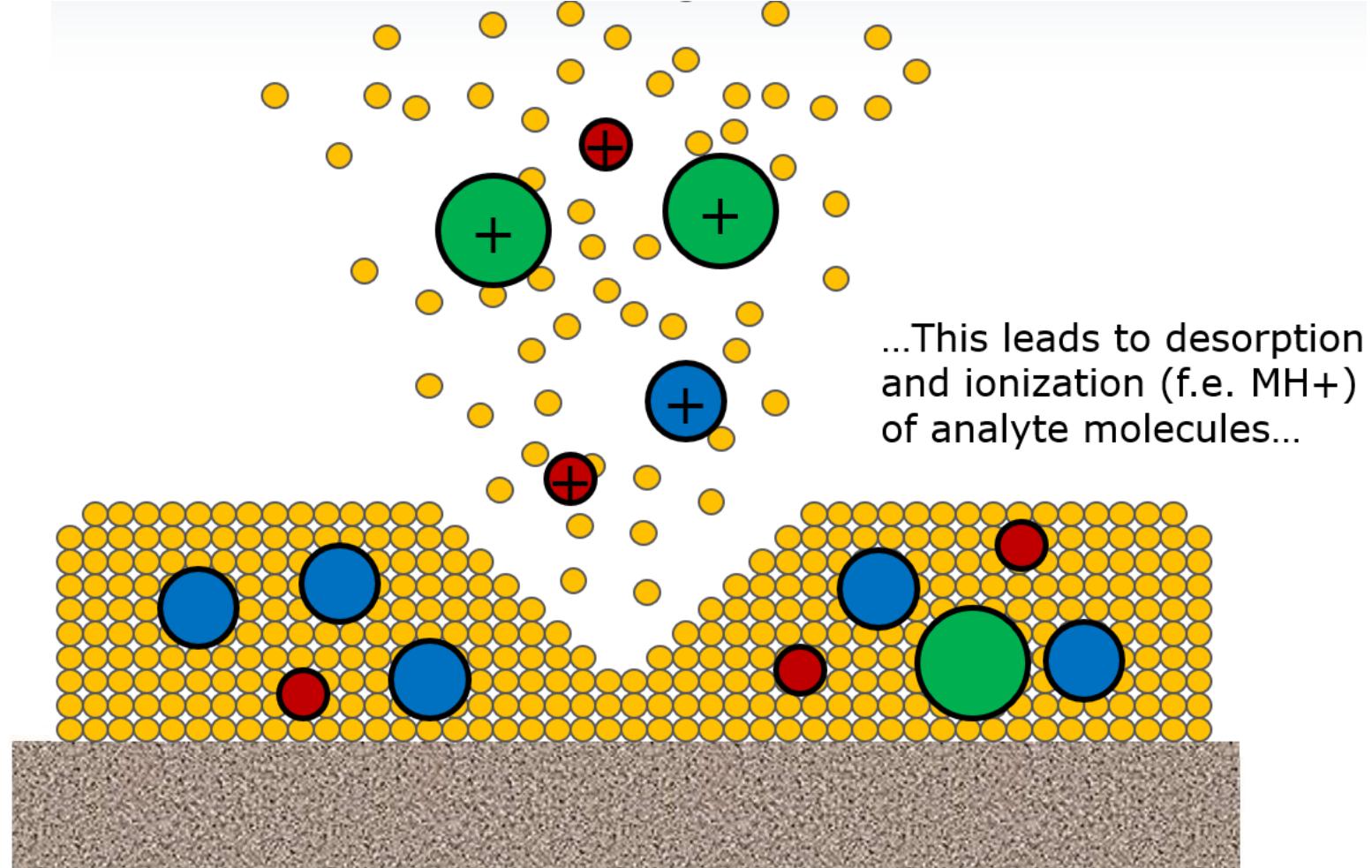
Impossible to ionize and desorb into gas phase by other ionization techniques.

They are so large and can decompose, fragment or destroy when heated or electron-impacted.

Soft ionization- ionizes analyte molecules whole.

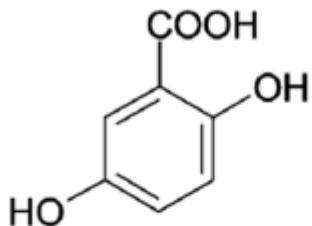
# Kako MALDI radi?

No fragmentation  
No degradation

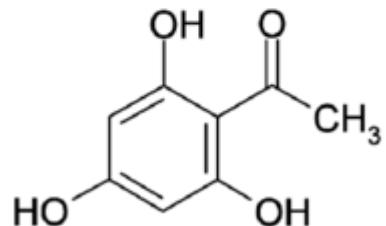


# MALDI matrice:

Conjugated  $\pi$ -system



2,5-dihydroxybenzoic Acid  
(2,5-DHB)



2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone  
(THAP)

## Peptides:

4-Hydroxy- $\alpha$ -cyanocinnamic acid (**HCCA**)

## Proteins:

2,5-Dihydroxyacetophenone (**DHAP**)

Sinapinic acid (**SA**)

2,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid (**DHB**)

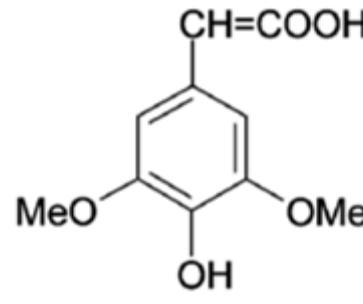
## Glycans:

2,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid (**DHB**)

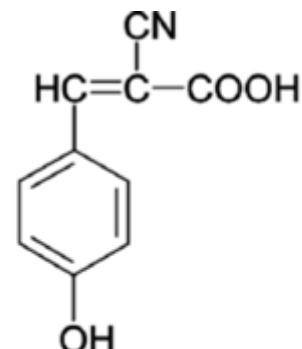
## Nucleic acids:

3-Hydroxypicolinic acid (**HPA**)

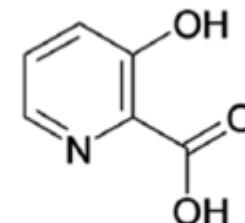
2,4,6-Trihydroxyacetophenone (**THAP**)



sinapinic Acid (SA)



$\alpha$ -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic Acid  
(CHCA)



3-hydroxypicolinic Acid  
(3-HPA)



## MALDI matrice:

Why different matrices for different types of sample?

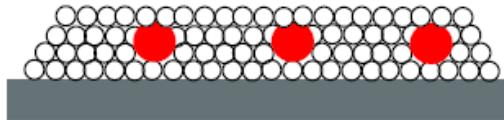
It's all about

- the **amount of energy needed to ionize** a particular sample compound  
(individual matrices show specific „energy threshold“)
- the **stability** of a particular sample compound  
(too „hot“ matrix may lead to non-desired fragmentation of sample compounds)

# MALDI- Pozitivan jonski mod

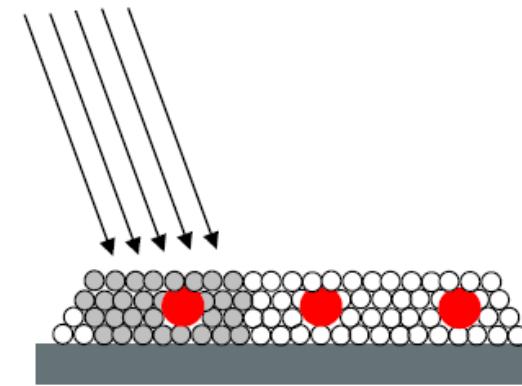
## Sample embedded in light-absorbing matrix

- Sample molecule
- Matrix molecule

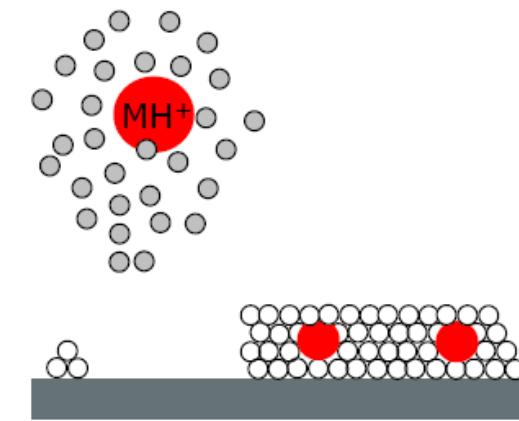


## Excitation of matrix molecules by laser light

Laser



## Desorption/protonation of sample molecules



The matrix transfers the energy needed for ionization from the laser light to the sample molecules.



Formation of alternative adducts depends on the presence of respective cations (either being ubiquitary present or actively added – depending on type of sample):  
 $[M+Na]^+$ ;  $[M+K]^+$ ;  $[M+Cu]^+$ ;  $[M+Li]^+$ ;  $[M+Ag]^+$

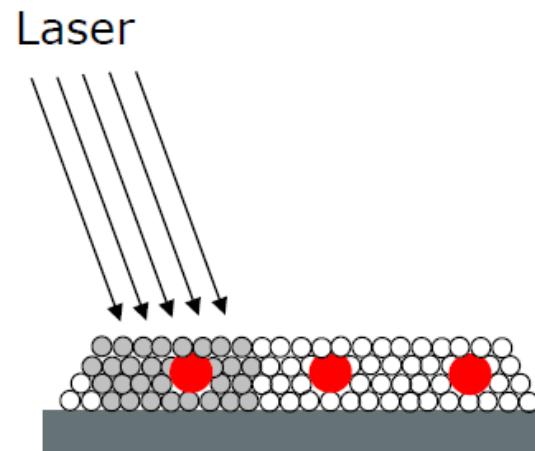
# MALDI- Negativan jonski mod

## Sample embedded in light-absorbing matrix

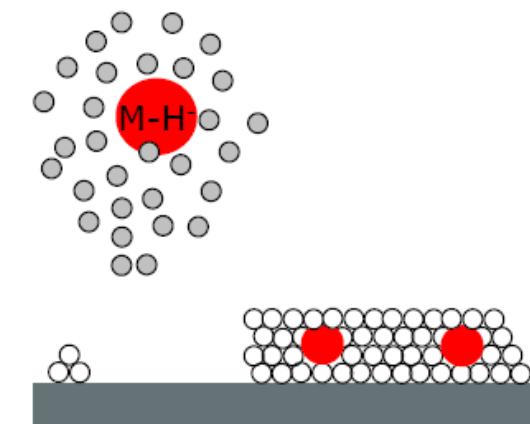
- Sample molecule
- Matrix molecule



## Excitation of matrix molecules by laser light



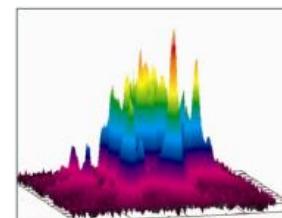
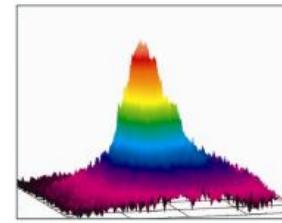
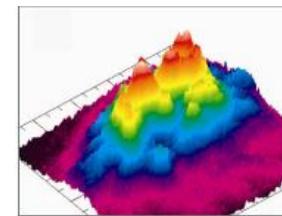
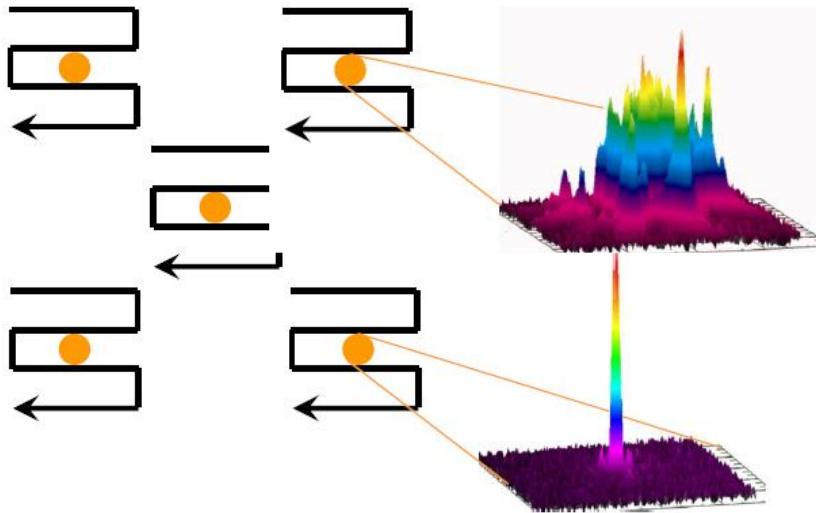
## Desorption/**deprotonation** of sample molecules



The matrix transfers the energy needed for ionization from the laser light to the sample molecules.



# MALDI- laseri



## Nitrogen laser:

- pro:** well structured energy profile  
**contra:** slow (maximum 50Hz)

## Nd:YAG laser:

- pro:** fast (up to 1000Hz)  
**contra:** Gaussian energy profile (non-structured)

## Smartbeam/Smartbeam II (modified Nd:YAG laser):

- pro:** fast (up to 1000Hz)  
**pro:** well structured energy profile

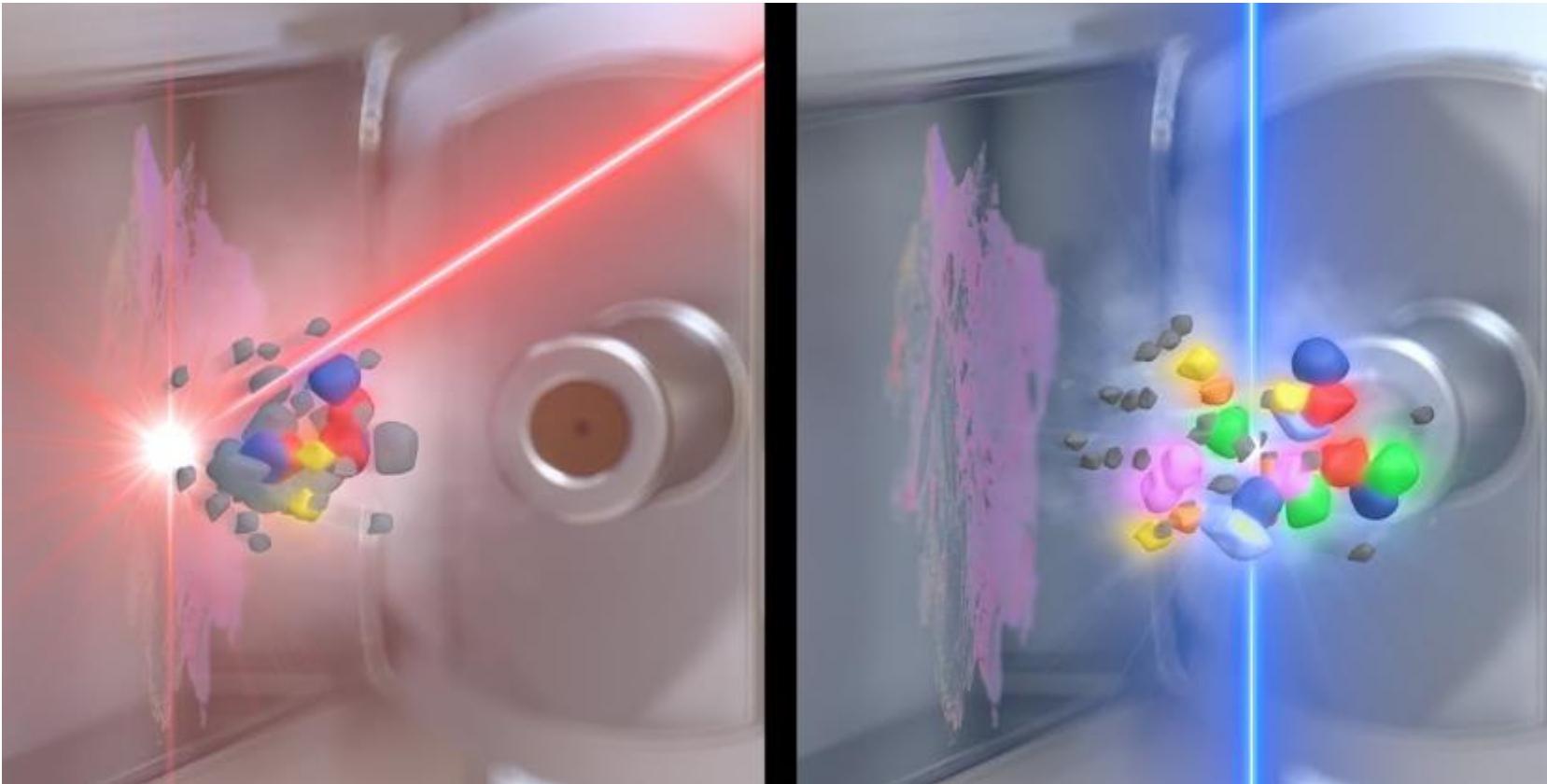
$\text{N}_2$ : 337 nm  
YAG 335 nm

Modified Nd:YAG laser, wavelength 355nm

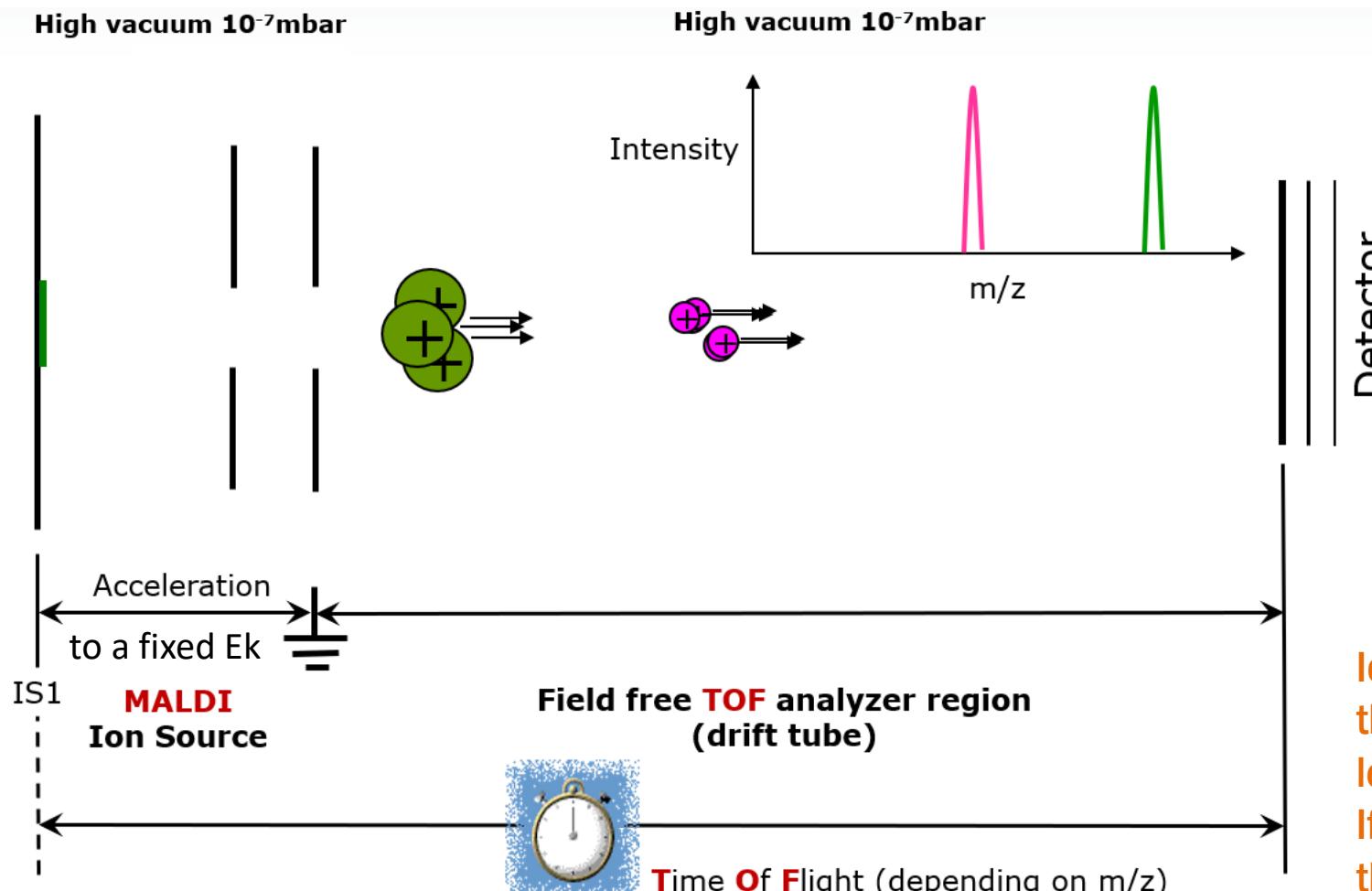


# MALDI-laseri

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HRRLLlsmpx0>



# MALDI ToF – Principi rada



Separation of ions by mass-to-charge ratio

$$E_{\text{pot}} = zeU$$

$$E_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$zeU = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2zeU}{m}}$$

$$t = L\sqrt{\frac{m}{2zeU}}$$

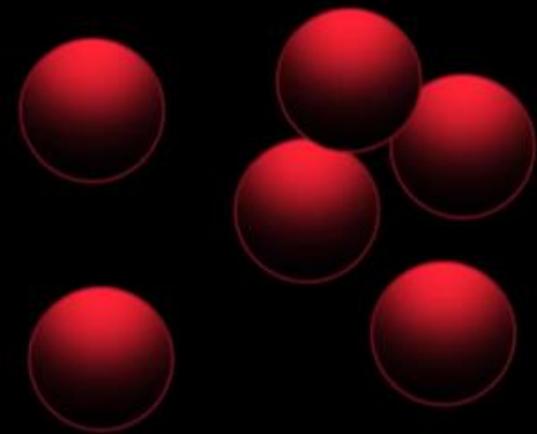
Ions of different  $m/z$  are dispersed in time during their flight along a field-free drift path of known length.

If all the ions start their journey at the same time the lighter ones will arrive earlier at the detector than the heavier ones.

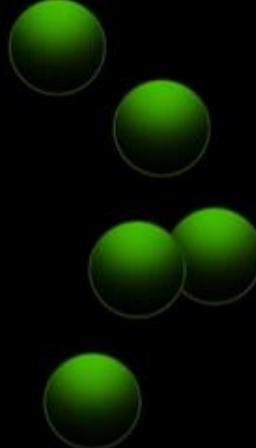
High voltage electron field

# MALDI ToF – Principi rada

(assuming all ions have 1+ charge)



4 kDa  
largest m/z  
27 km/s

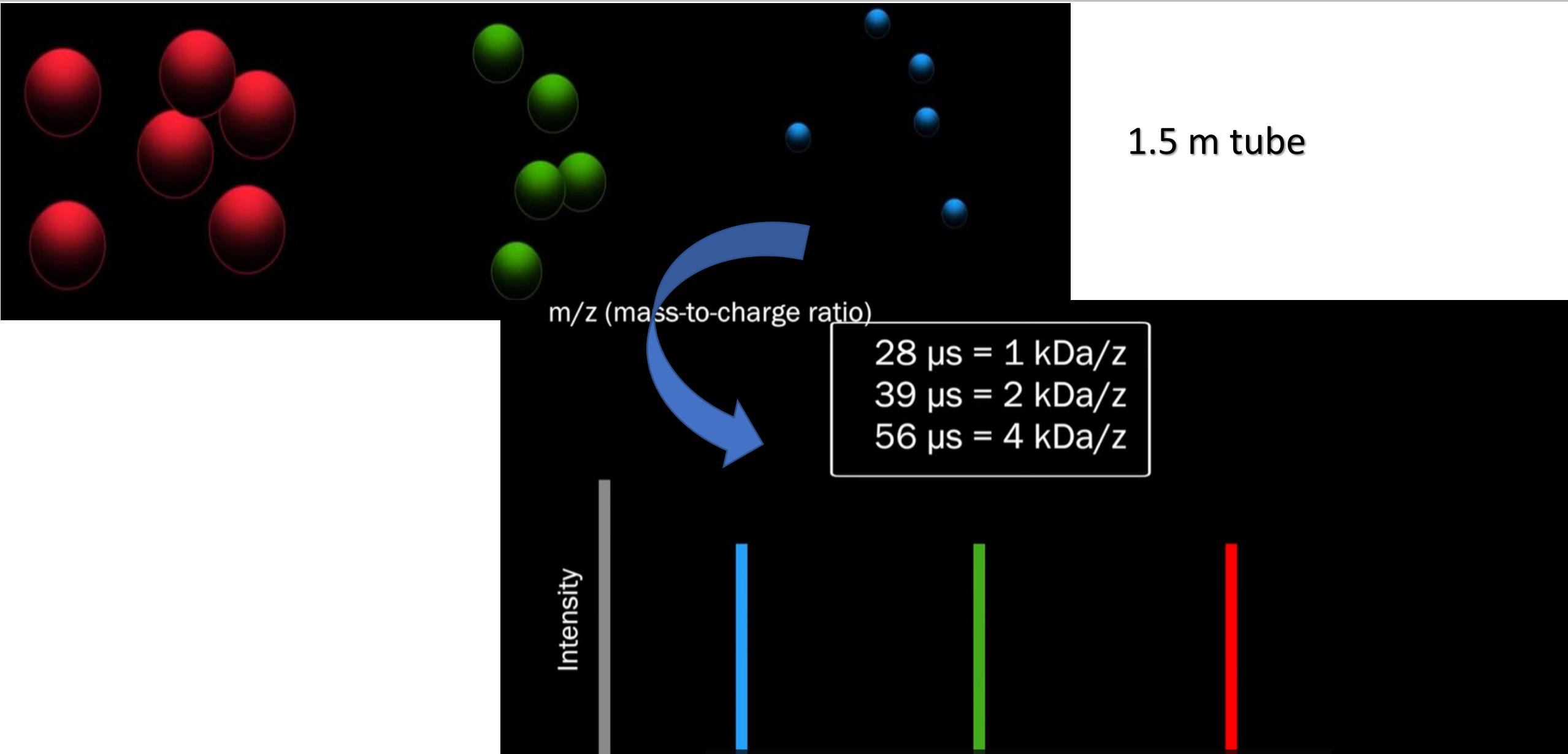


2 kDa  
38 km/s

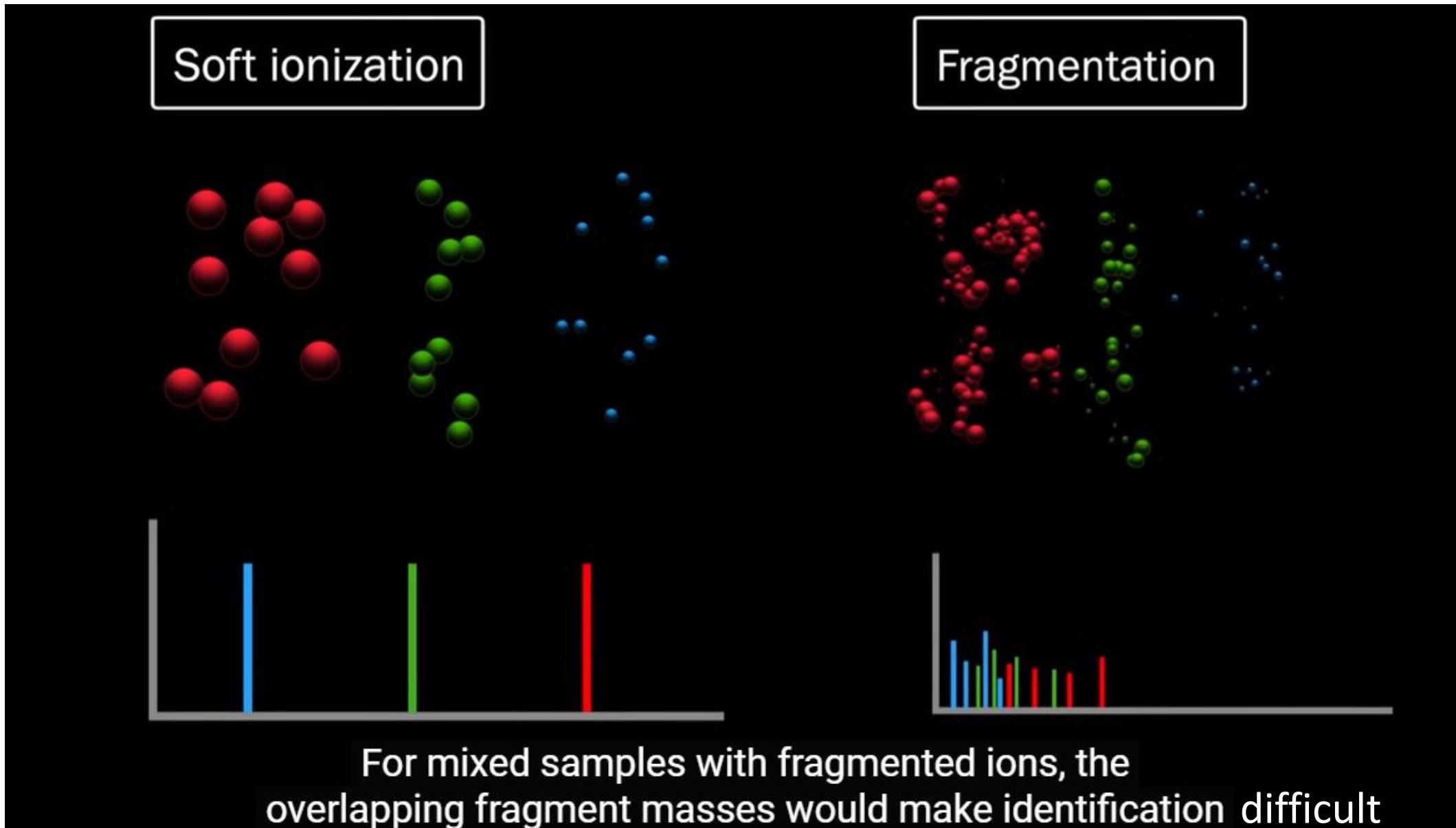


1 kDa  
smallest m/z  
54 km/s

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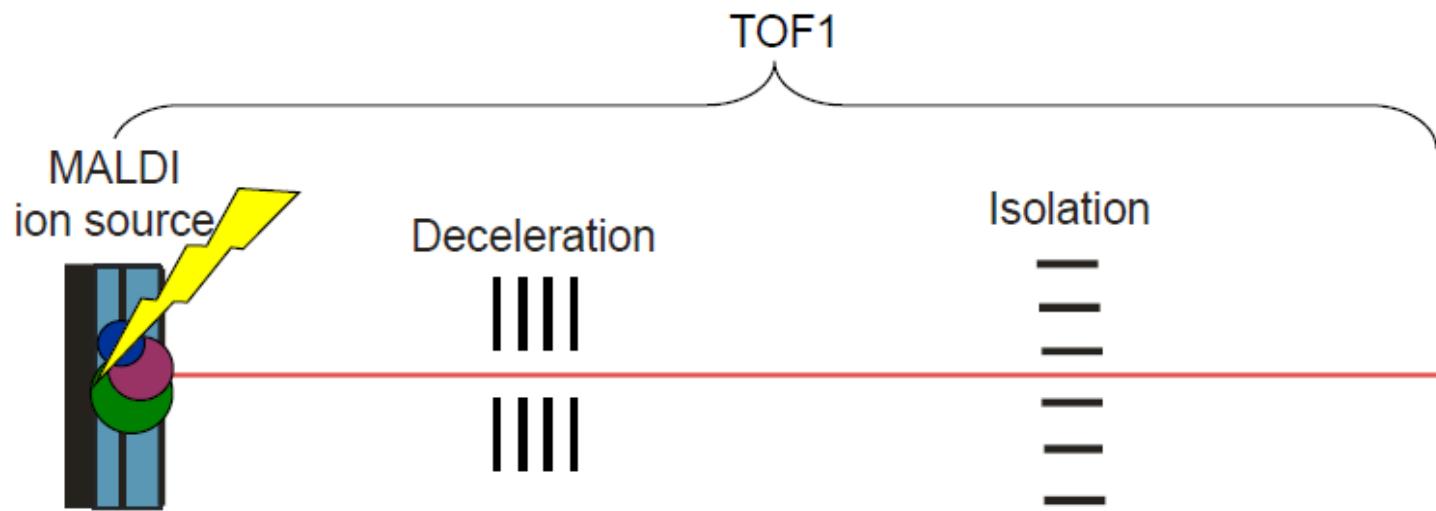


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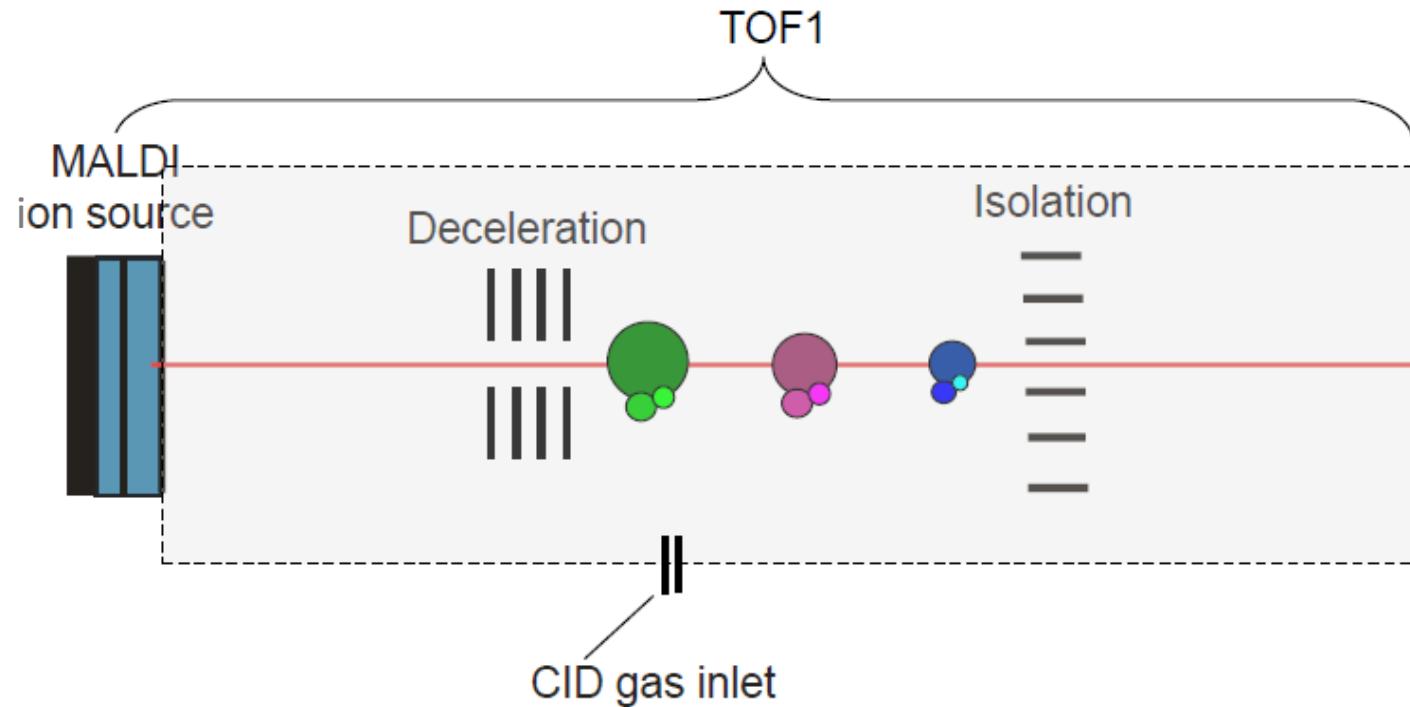
Analysis of a mixture containing 3 compounds (**green, red, blue**) being different in mass:



Molecular ions are being generated by means of **MALDI** ionization.

# MALDI ToF – Principi rada

Analysis of a mixture containing 3 compounds (**green, red, blue**) being different in mass:



When performing **CID experiments**, the TOF1 stage is flushed with collision gas. This induces additional **high-energy collision induced fragmentation (heCID)**.

**Most important:**

**Fragment ions continue to travel at the same velocity as their precursors did.**



# LID vs. CID

## LID: Laser-Induced Dissociation

Most straightforward way to peptide backbone fragmentation ( $b, y$ -type ions).

Used for protein identification by means of peptide sequencing.

## CID: Collision-Induced Dissociation (high energy)

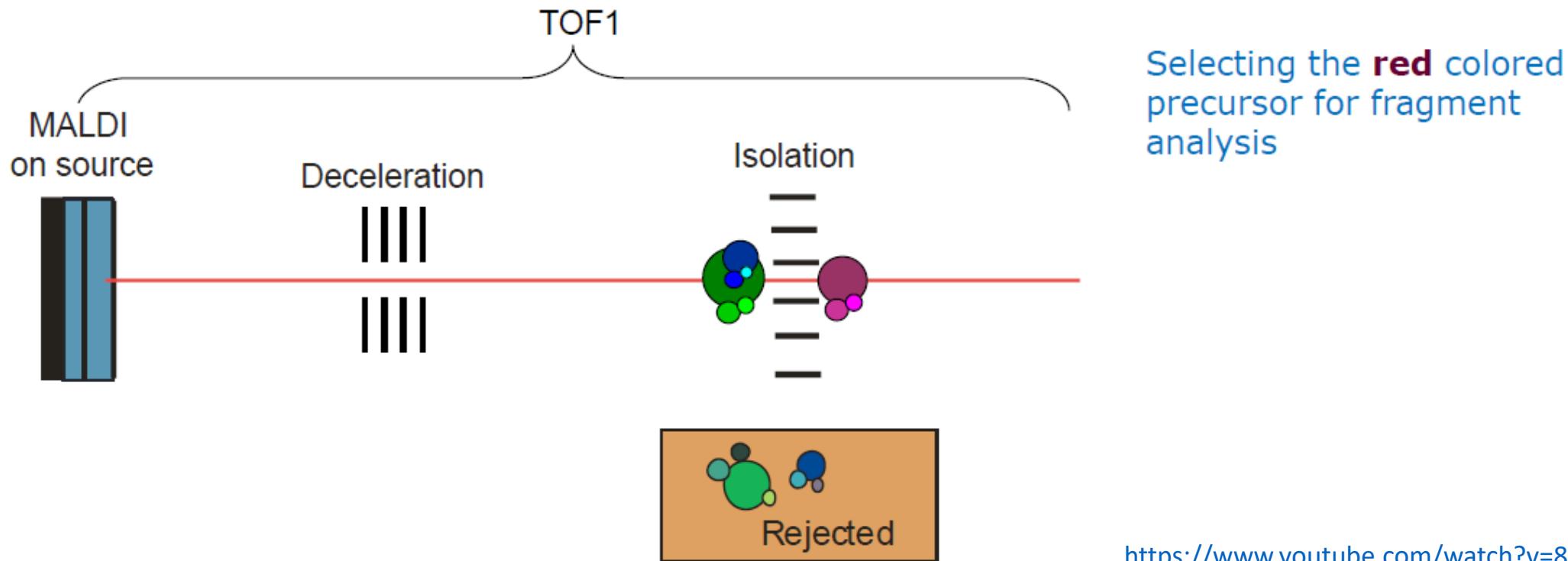
Additional side chain cleavages in peptides. Higher relative intensity of internal fragments. Overall shift of average fragment size towards lower mass.

Used as an option in special applications, e.g.:

- *de novo* sequencing of peptides (enhanced immonium ions)
- differentiation of isobaric amino acids L and I in peptides by respective side chain cleavages
- detailed glycan analysis (cross ring cleavages occurring in heCID allow for linkage analysis)

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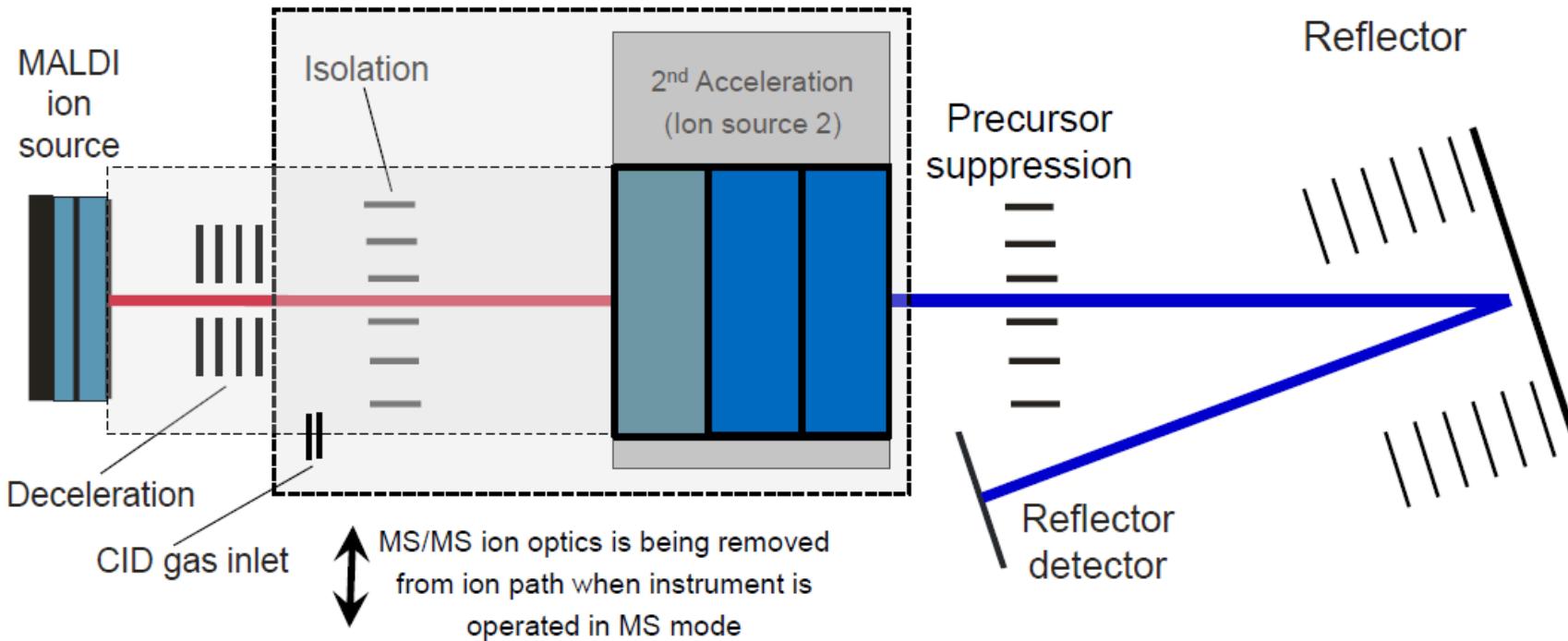
The **isolation** device allows for the selection of a specific group of fragment/molecular ions for further  $m/z$  separation and analysis.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8R1Oyqx5KfE>

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# Principi ToF/ToF analize

Principal scheme: MS/MS operation mode



**Ion path in TOF1 region (linear TOF)**

**Ion path in TOF2 region (reflector TOF)**

**Deceleration = removal of early metastables**

**Isolation = Timed ion gate**

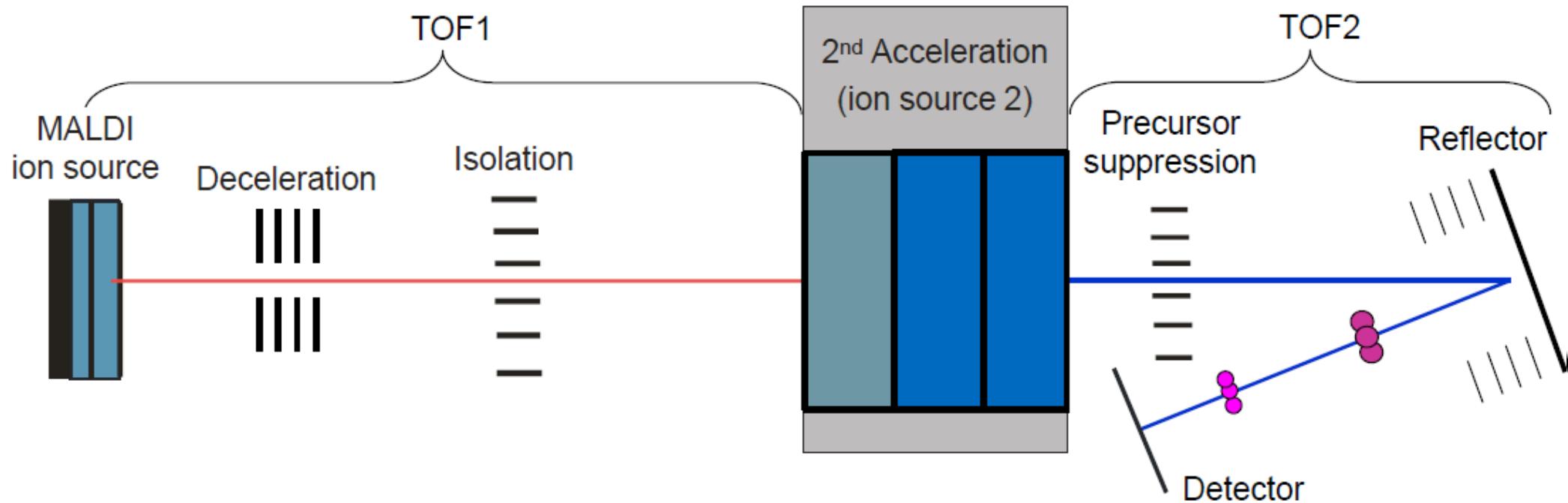
**Ion source 2 = second acceleration cell**

**Precursor suppression = Timed ion gate for suppression of non-fragmented precursor ions**

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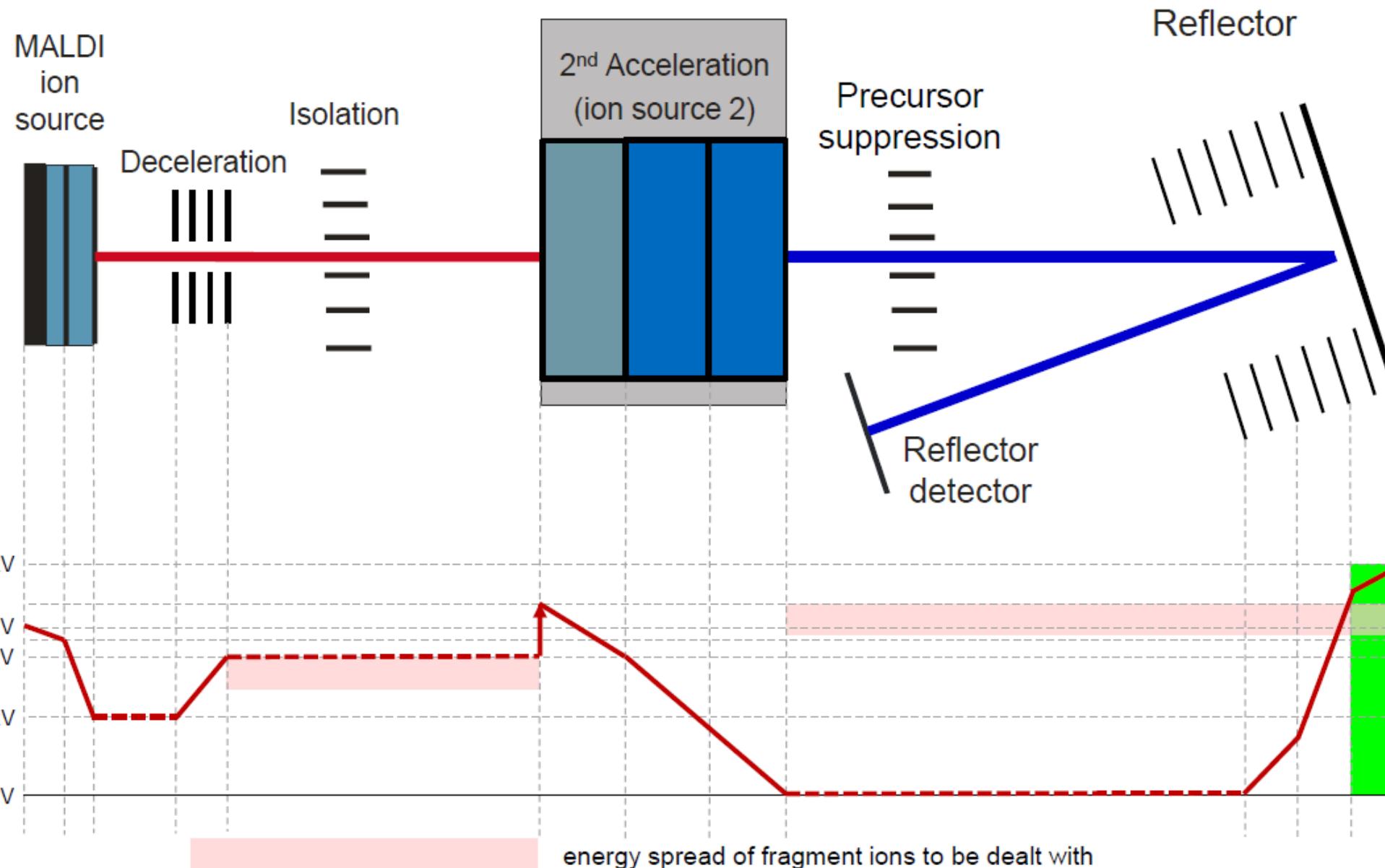
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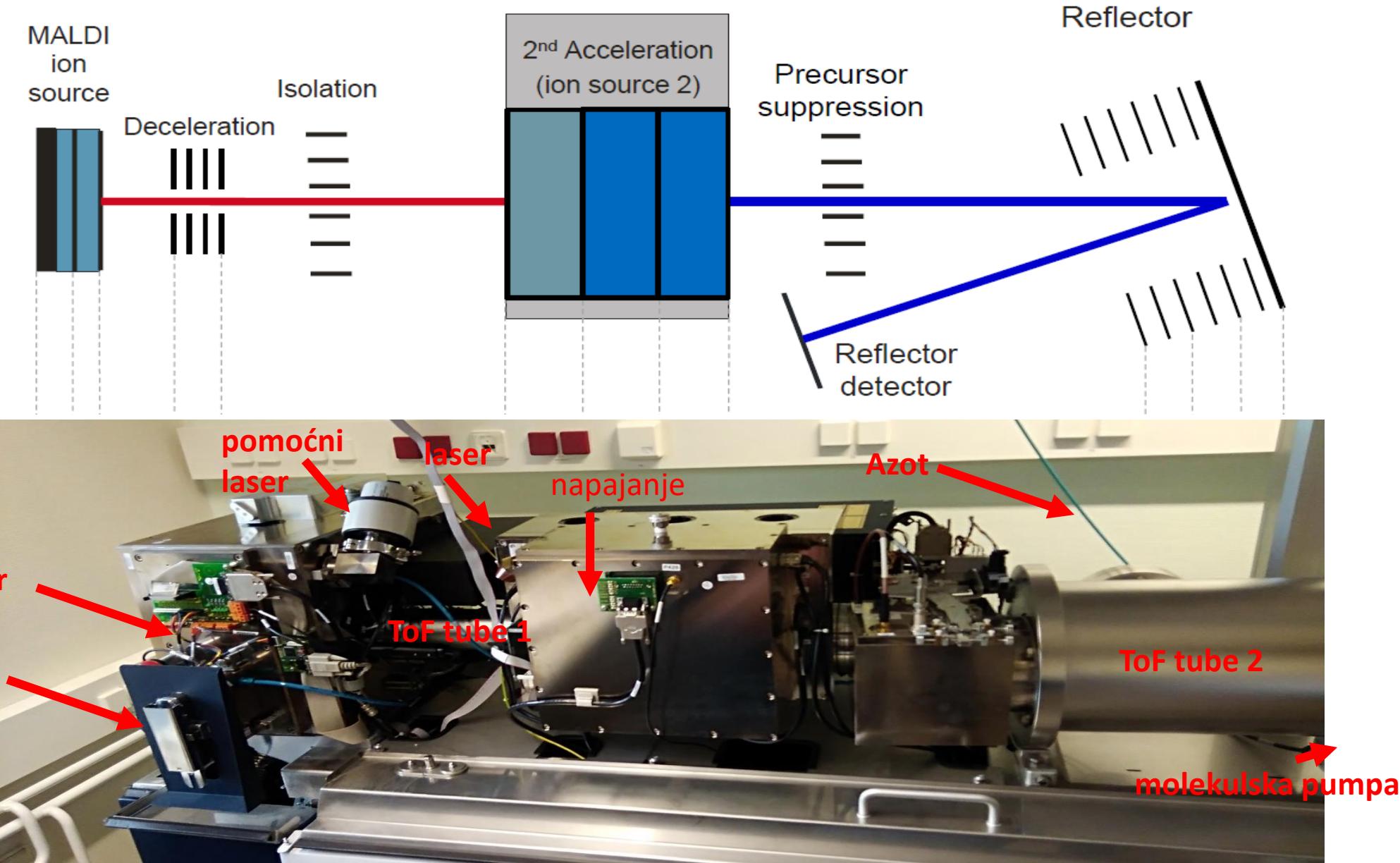


Precursor suppression prevents remaining intact molecular ions from passing on in TOF2, where they would otherwise undergo non-desired metastable decay again, which would yield wrongly calibrated, badly resolved fragment peaks.

# Principi ToF/ToF analize



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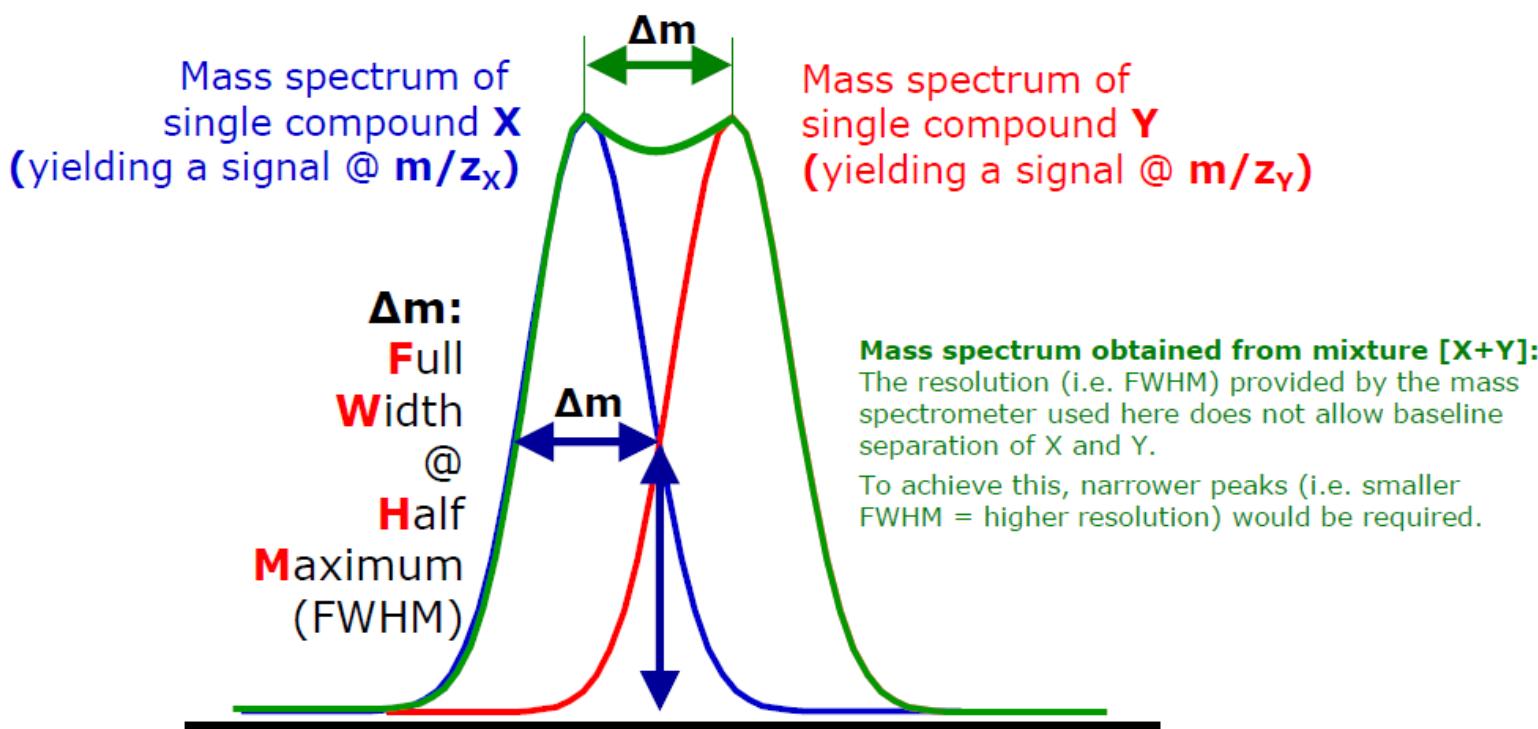


# Rezolucija u MALDI-ToF analizi

**Resolution R** defines, how well two peaks are separated from each other:

$$R = m / \Delta m$$

**$\Delta m$**  is usually derived from a mass peak's full width at half maximum (FWHM), as shown below for the exemplaric analysis of a mixture of two compounds X and Y:



# Rezolucija u MALDI-ToF analizi

$[M+H]^+$

m/z:

1046 Da

1047 Da

1048 Da

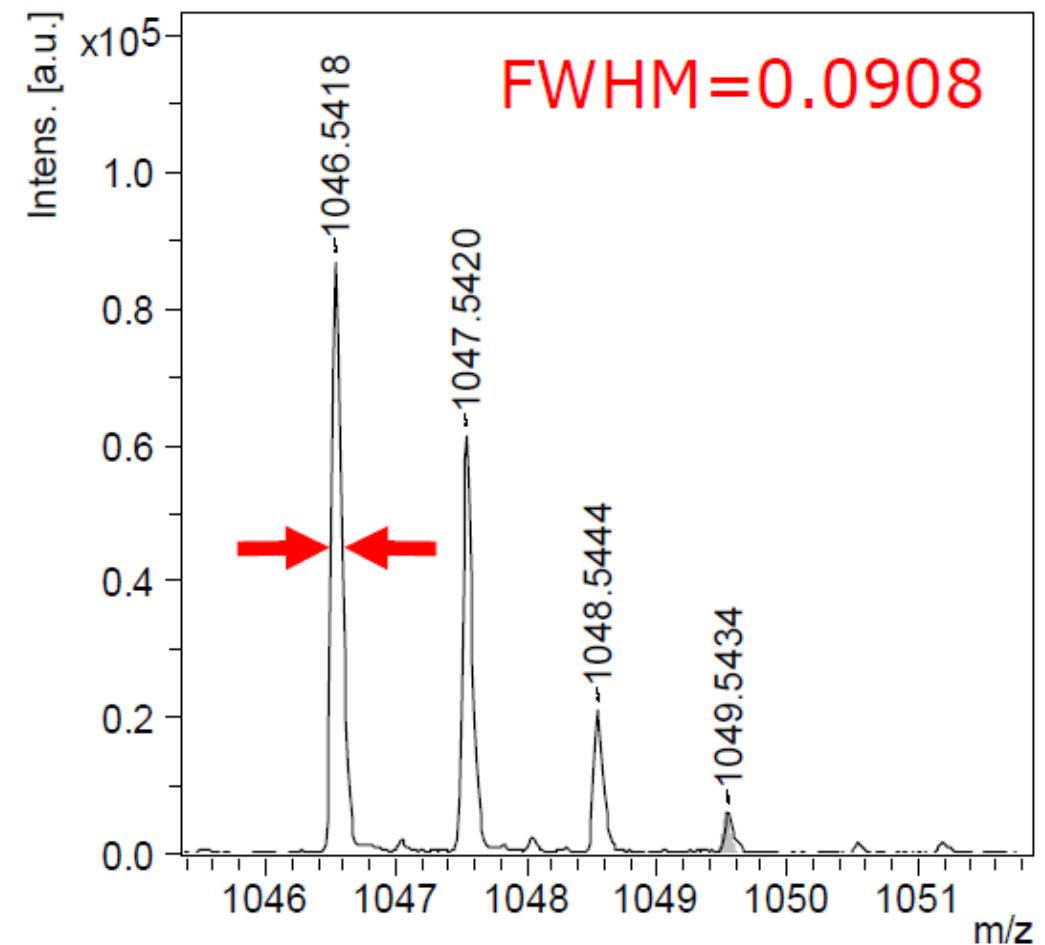
1049 Da

**Resolution**

$$= m/\Delta m$$

$$= 1046.5418/0.0908$$

$$= \mathbf{11525}$$

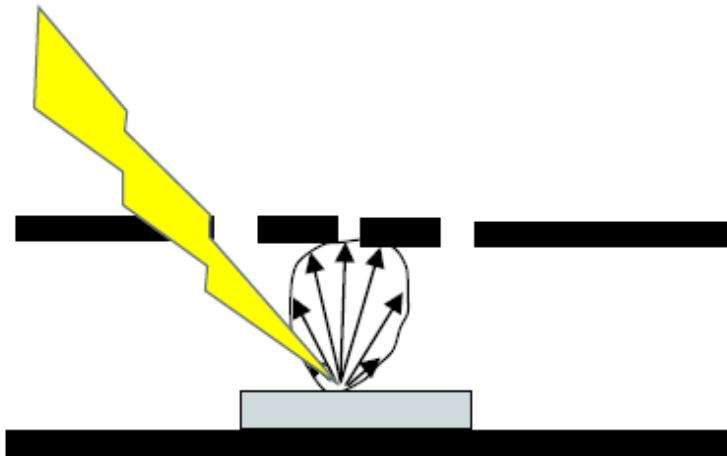


# Rezolucija u MALDI-ToF analizi

Rezolucija je ograničena prostornim i energetskim širenjem

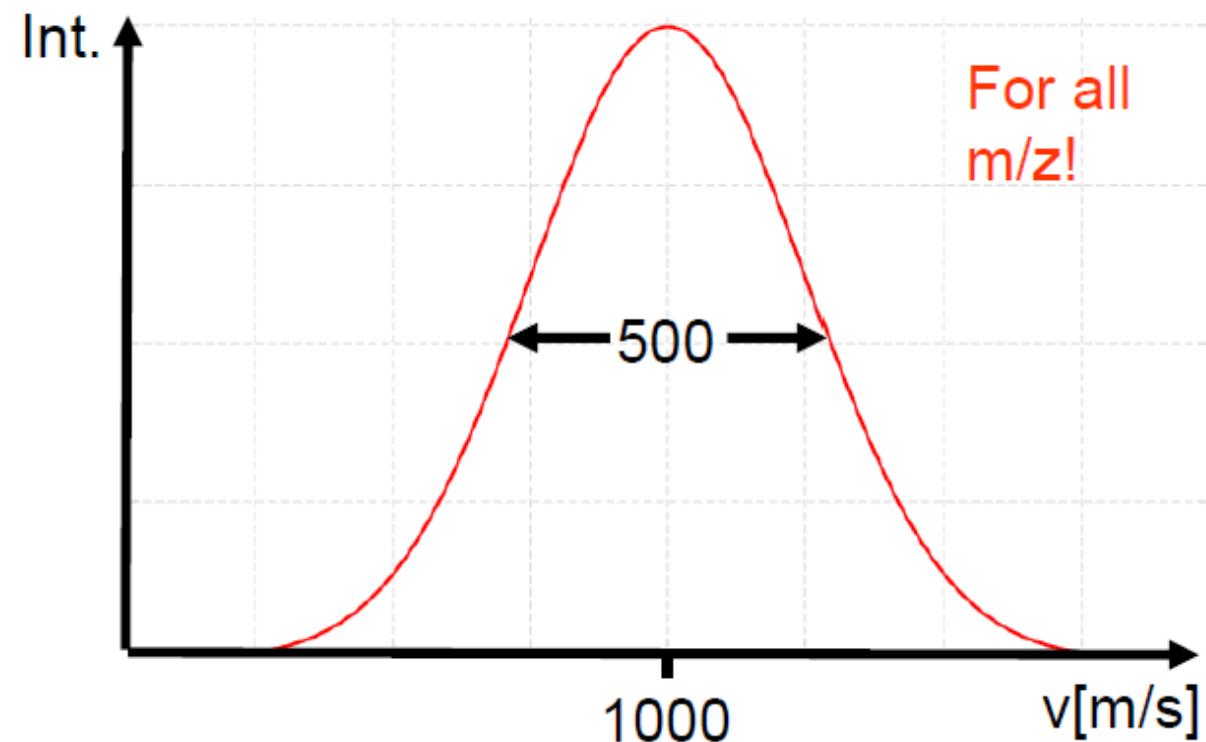
## Spatial spread:

- initial movement of ions towards different directions
- ions are desorbed from different z-coordinates due to heterogeneity in size of matrix crystals



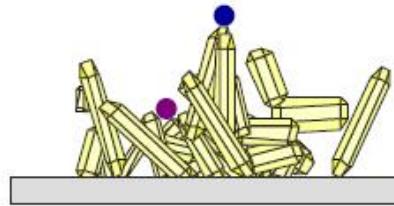
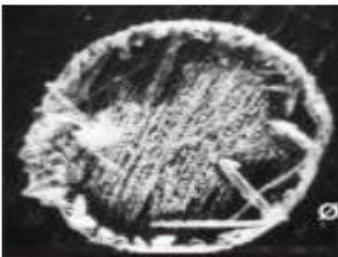
## Initial energy (=speed) spread:

- heterogeneous secondary reactions (ion-ion; ion-neutral)

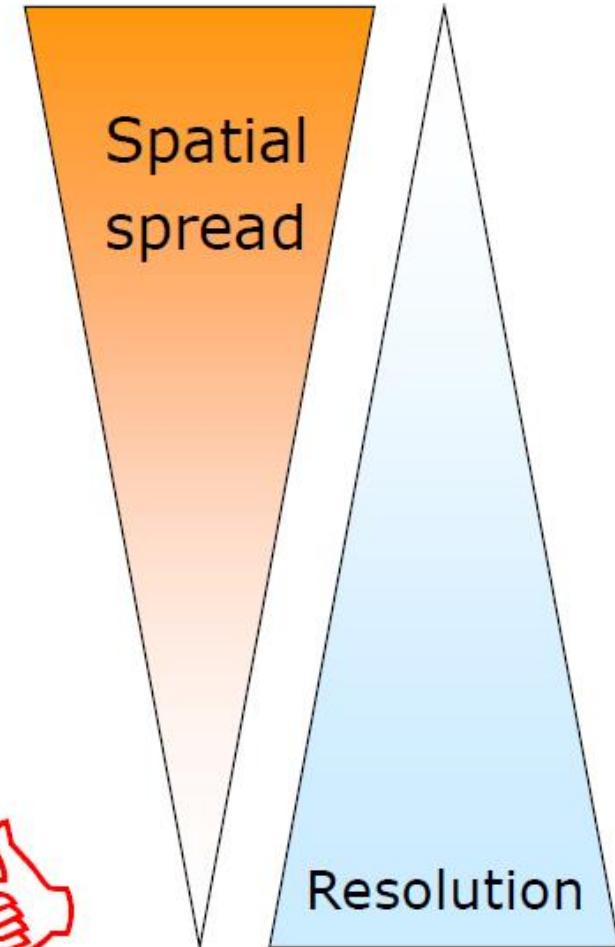
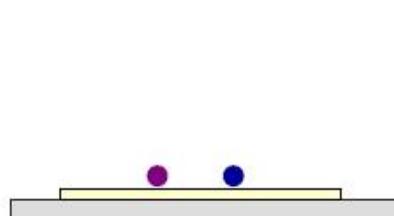
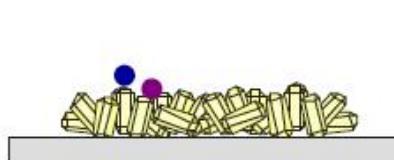
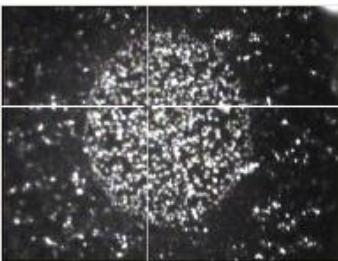


# Rezolucija u MALDI-ToF analizi

## Homogenost kristala matrice

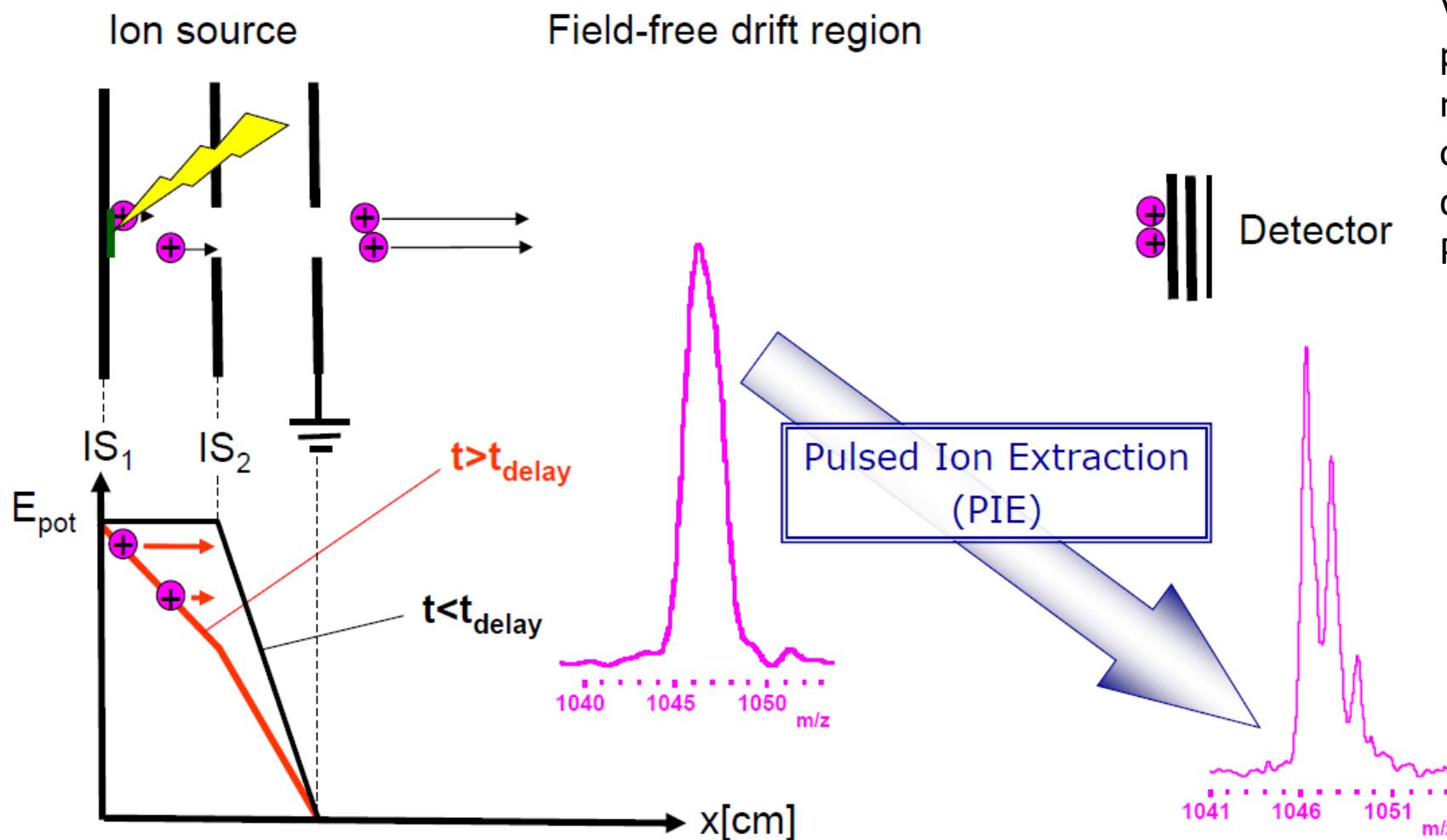


Spatial spread



# Rezolucija u MALDI-ToF analizi

Pulsed ion Extraction for efficient ion focusing in the MALDI ion source

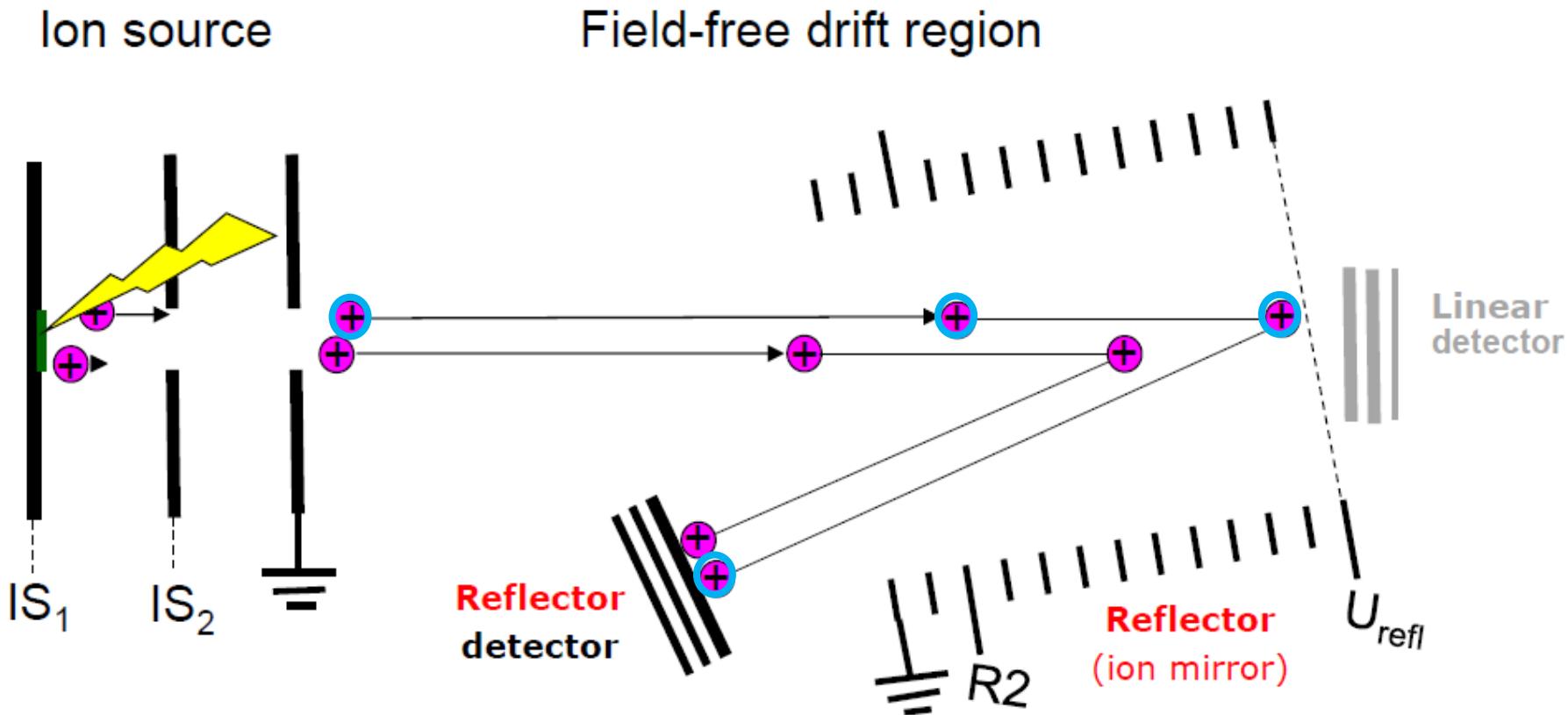


Veći napon / potencijalna E se primjenjuje na sporiji jon kako bi se na IS2 –kapija 2 približili i na kraju oba jona sa istim m/z stižu zajedno do detektora.

PIE i IS2 se optimizuju za svaki jon

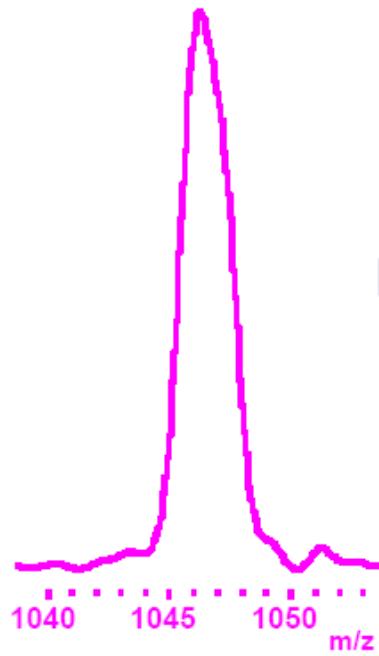
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- Further ion focusing by means of a **reflector** TOF setup

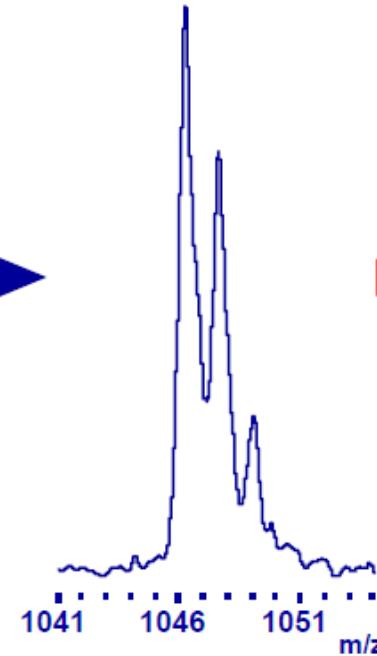


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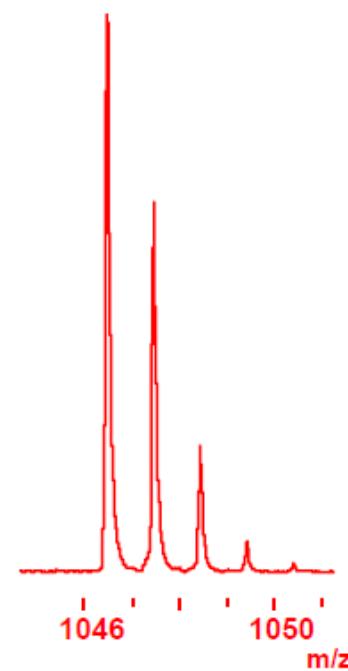
MALDI-TOF,  
linear



MALDI-TOF,  
linear + PIE



MALDI-TOF,  
reflector + PIE



**PIE** compensates  
- initial energy spread  
- initial spatial spread

**Reflector** compensates  
- remaining energy spread



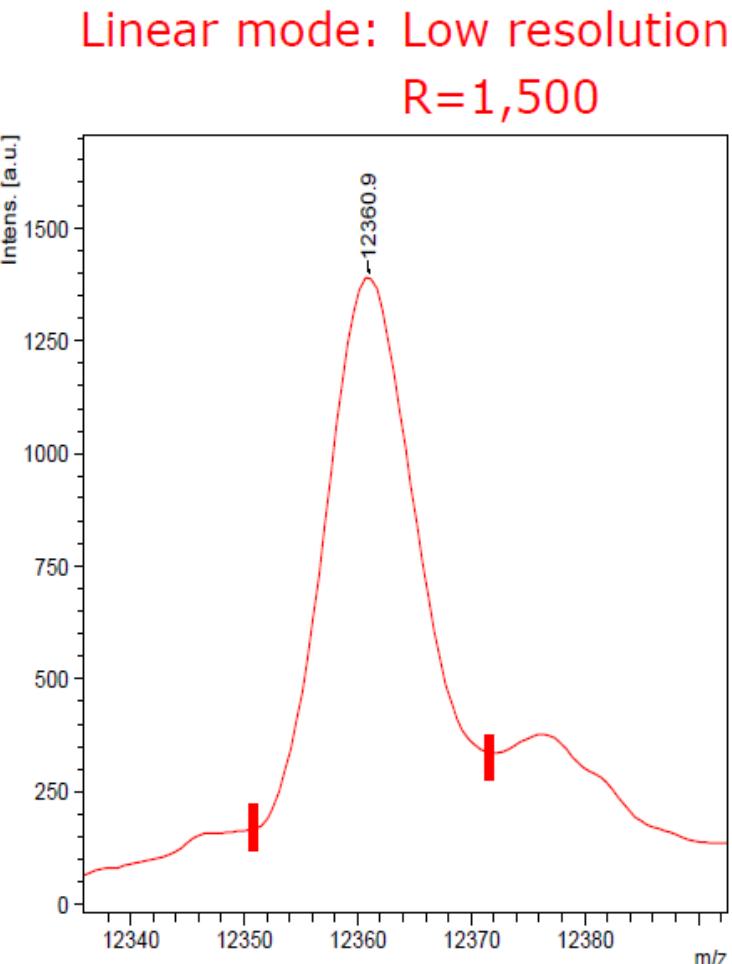
# Linearni vs. reflektorski mod

Ako reflektorski mod daje mnogo bolju rezoluciju, zašto koristiti linearni uopšte ?

- Pojedini molekulski joni formirani u MALDI izvoru nisu stabilni i tokom prolaska kroz *field-free* region fragmentišu. To se posebno odnosi na velike molekule, npr proteine koji prolaze kroz prirodan gubitak  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$  čime postaju slabije pokretni što utiče na senzitivnost i rezoluciju ako se analizira u refraktor modu.
- Linearne metode imaju manju masenu rezoluciju(nisu razdvojeni izotopski pikovi, ali mogu da omoguće  $m/\Delta m = 500$  ili manje, zavisno od  $m/z$  vrste), ali veću osetljivost i pogodni su za jone većih masa ( $>200\ 000$  Da).
- Metode u reflektor modu omogućavaju najbolje masene rezolucije (razdvojeni su i izotopski pikovi) ali se preporučuju za  $m/z < 6000$ .
- Reflektor mod nije preporučljiv za analite koji ne mogu dugo da prežive u električnom polju.

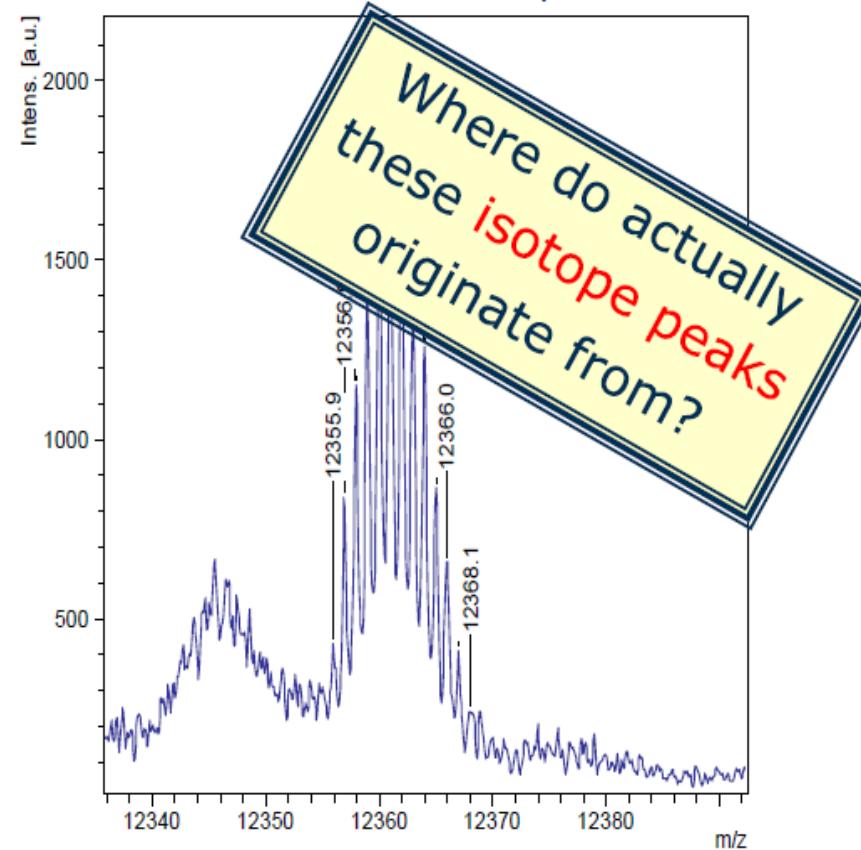
# Linearni vs. reflektor mod

cyt c



Spectrum shows one broad peak representing the envelope of the non-resolved isotope peaks.

Reflector mode: High resolution  
 $R=30,000$

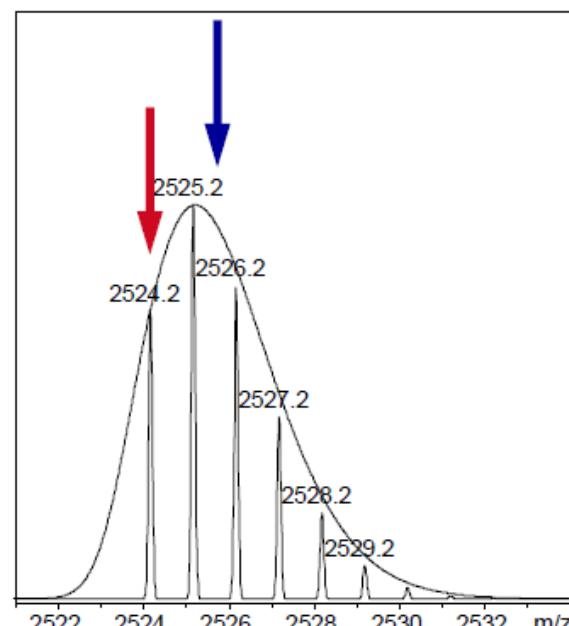


Spectrum shows all the isotope peaks well separated from each other.

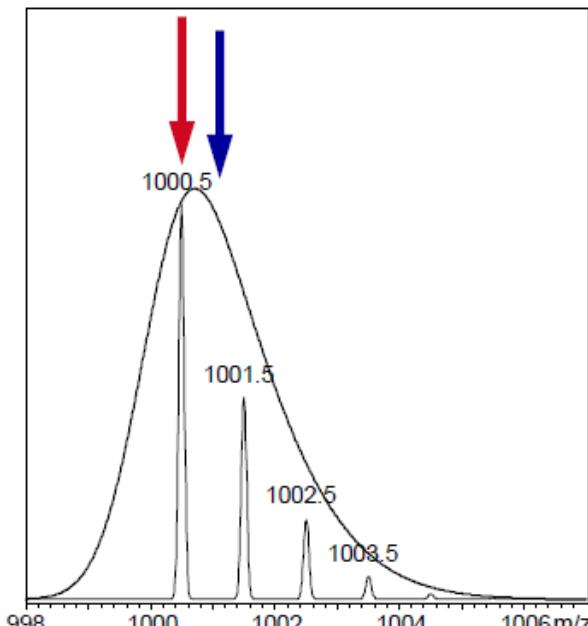
# MALDI-ToF: Izotopni pikovi

<b>Isotope</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>[%] Abundance</b>
1-H	1.007825	99.985
2-H (Deuterium)	2.014000	0.015
12-C	12.00000	98.90
13-C	13.00336	1.10
14-N	14.00307	99.63
15-N	15.00011	0.37
16-O	15.99491	99.76
18-O	17.99916	0.20
<b>19-F</b>	<b>18.99840</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>23-Na</b>	<b>22.98977</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>31-P</b>	<b>30.97376</b>	<b>100</b>
32-S	31.97207	95.03
34-S	33.96787	4.22
35-Cl	34.96885	76.77
37-Cl	36.96590	31.98
39-K	38.96371	93.26
79-Br	78.91834	50.69
81-Br	80.91629	49.31

Element composition: C<sub>112</sub>H<sub>164</sub>N<sub>29</sub>O<sub>34</sub>S<sub>2</sub>  
 Monoisotopic mass [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 2524.1510  
 Average mass [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 2525.8196



Element composition: C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>69</sub>N<sub>13</sub>O<sub>14</sub>S  
 Monoisotopic mass [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 1000.4880  
 Average mass [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 1001.1409



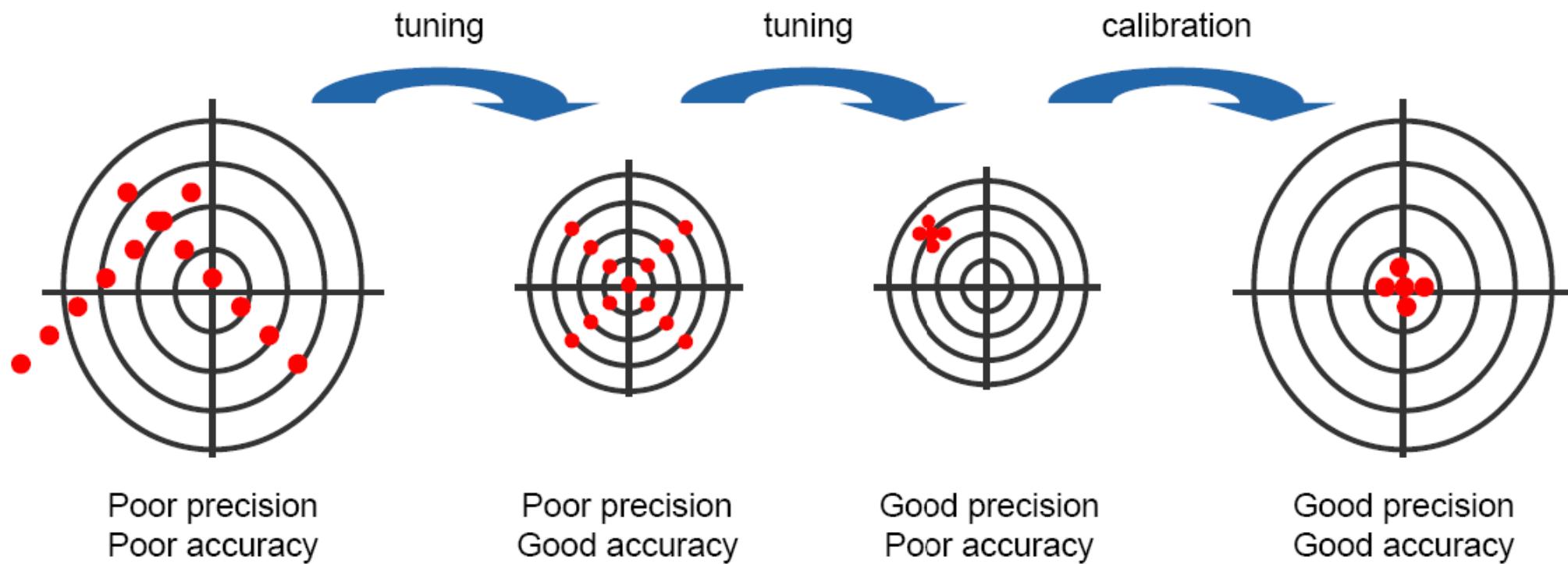
The **monoisotopic mass** is the sum of the masses of all the atoms present in a molecule using the mass of the most abundant isotope for each element.  
 The **average mass** of a molecule is the sum of elemental masses using the average weighted over all stable isotopes of each element contained in the molecule.

Elements that are found in nature in form of only one single isotope, are called monoisotopic elements.

# MALDI-ToF: Kalibracija

**Precision:** Variation of values obtained from repetitive measurements performed under identical conditions (*random error*)

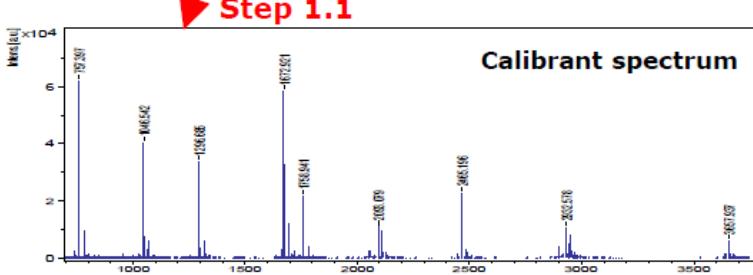
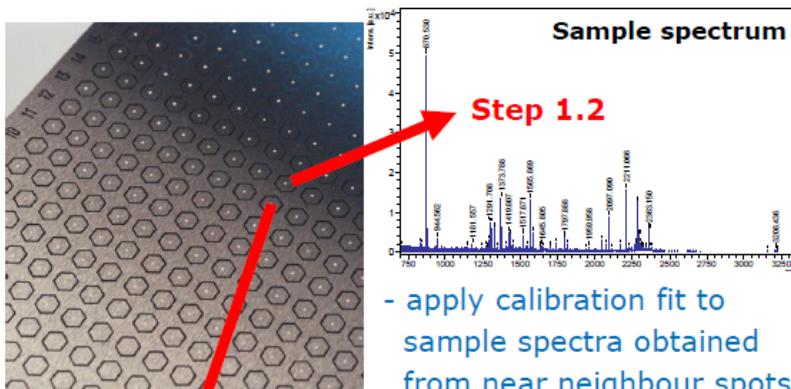
**Accuracy:** Deviation of a measured value from the reference value (*systematic error*)



# MALDI-ToF: Kalibracija

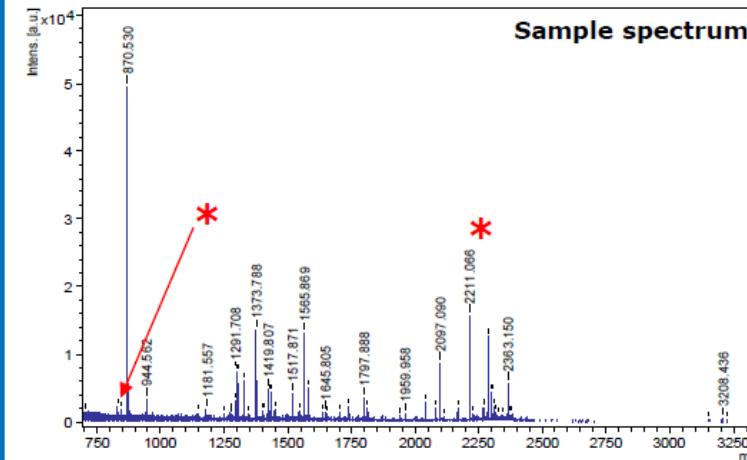
## MALDI-TOF: Calibration strategies

### Step 1) External calibration



- calibrants of known mass cover mass range of interest
- m/z vs. flight time is fitted using a polynom of varying order (depending on size of mass range to be calibrated and number of available calibrant signals, resp.)

### Step 2) Internal re-calibration (optionally)



\* denotes compounds of known identity/mass  
 842.509 Da (trypsin artefact)  
 2211.104 Da (trypsin artefact)

### Internal re-calibration allows for

- optimum mass accuracy due to compensation of spot-to-spot heterogeneities that typically cause mass errors after external calibration



# MALDI- Prednosti u odnosu na druge jonske izvore

## 1. Ionisation of nonvolatile molecules

large, polar, nonvolatile synthetic or biopolymers

## 2. Softer ionisation

complete molecular ions remain intact when ionized

## 3. Mixed samples

separation based on m/z ratio, no fragments

## 4. Sensitive molecules

no high T

## 5. Stored for later analysis

after a few weeks

# Primena MALDI ToF/ToF

MALDI Fragmentation of  
peptides:

**Top-down sequencing of intact proteins**

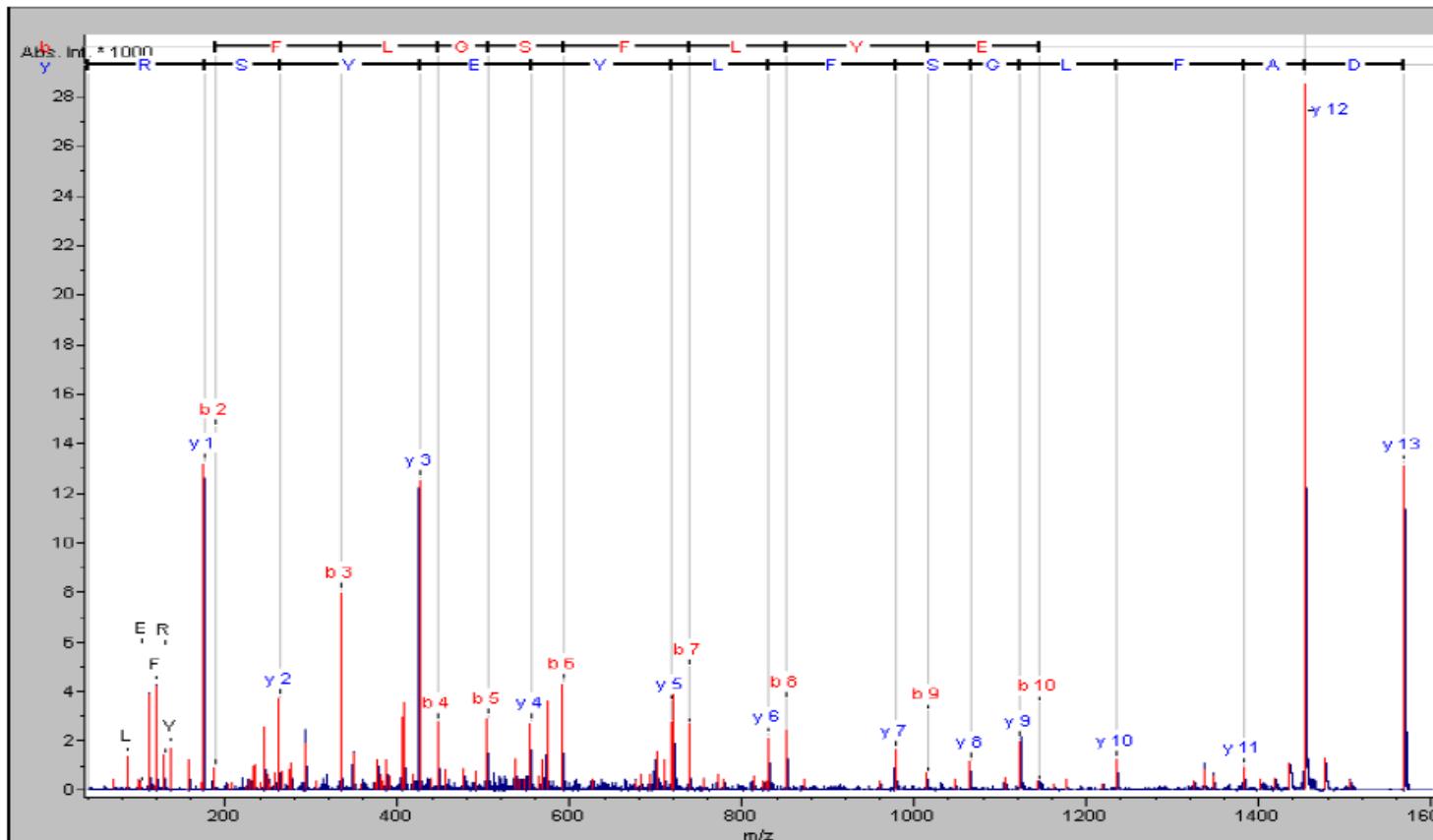
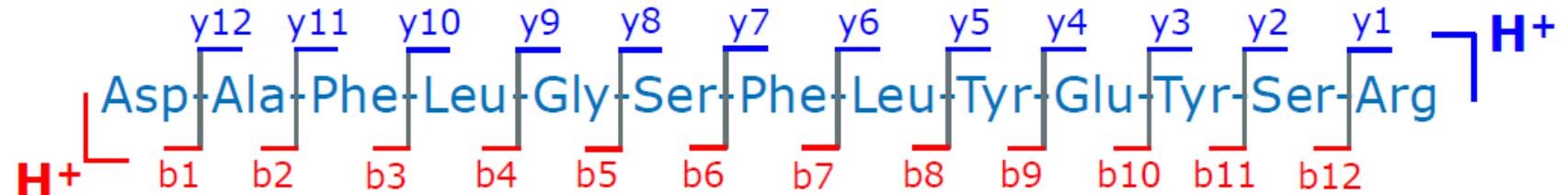


**MALDI-TOF Mass Spectrometry**

- Intact Mass determination
- Peptide mass fingerprinting (PMF)
- Post source decay (PSD) MALDI-TOF analysis

# Примена MALDI ToF/ToF

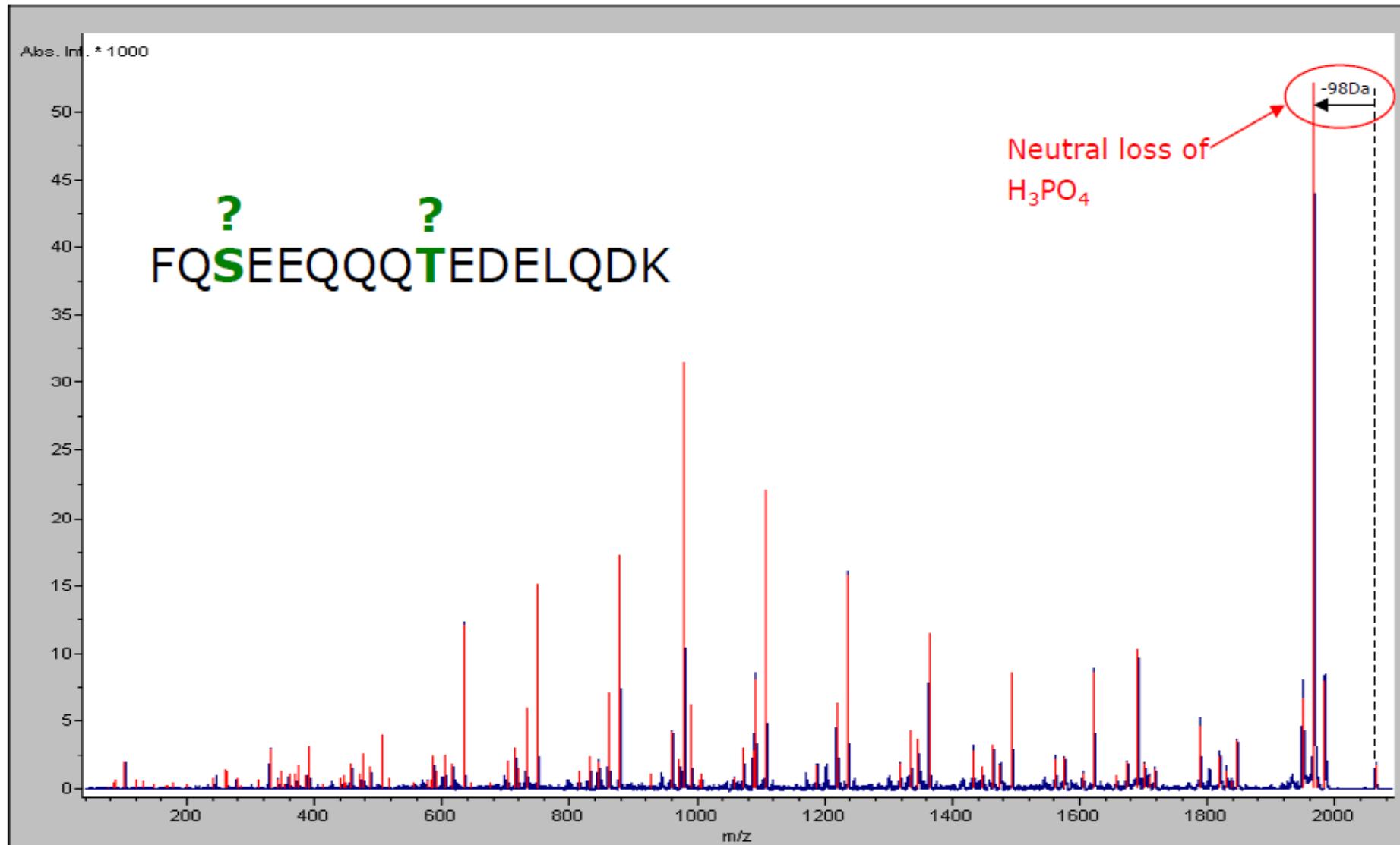
Example MS/MS spectrum obtained from a peptide:



y- C terminus  
b- N-terminus

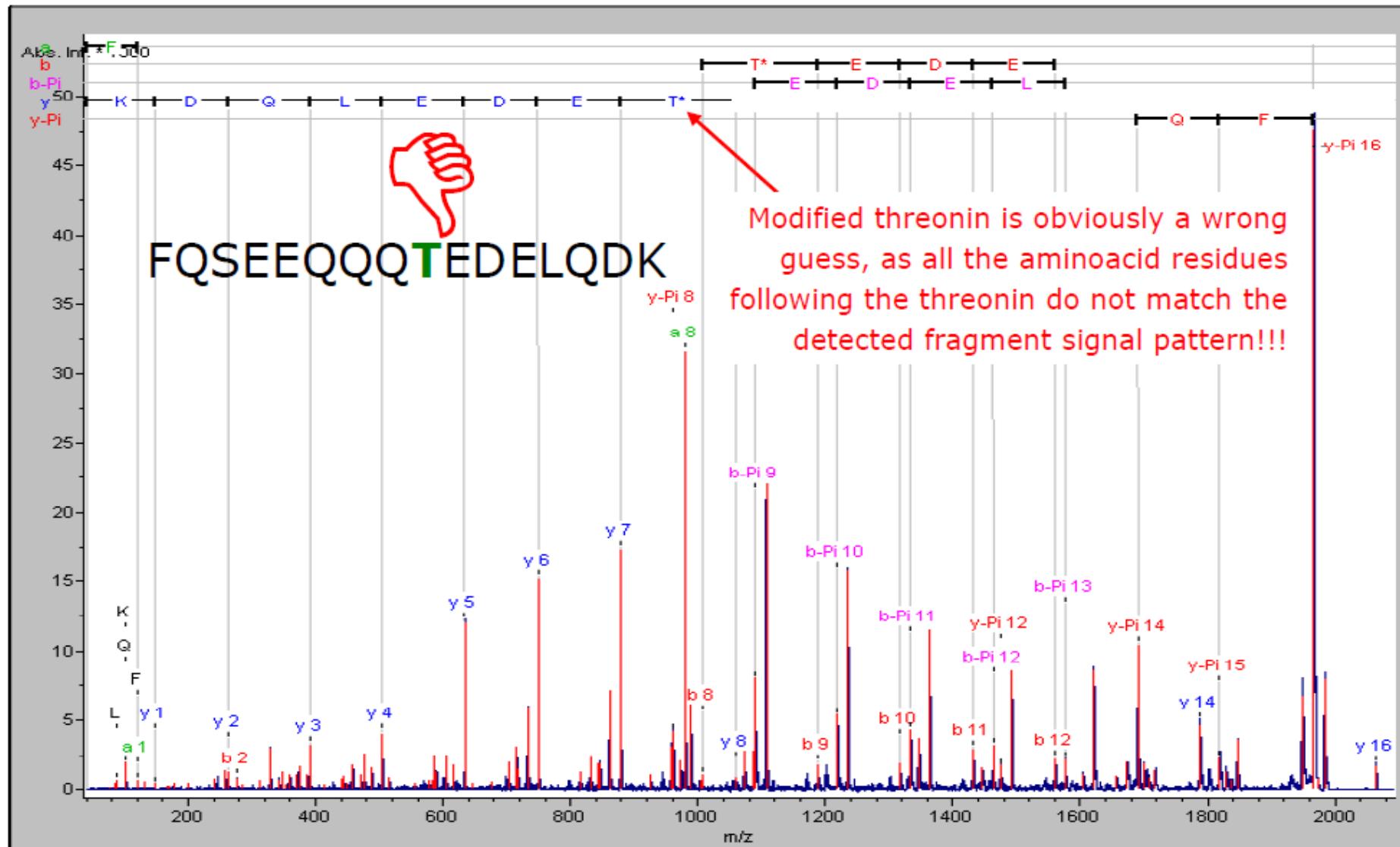
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MALDI Analysis of  
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modifications:  
Phosphorylation



# Primena MALDI ToF/ToF

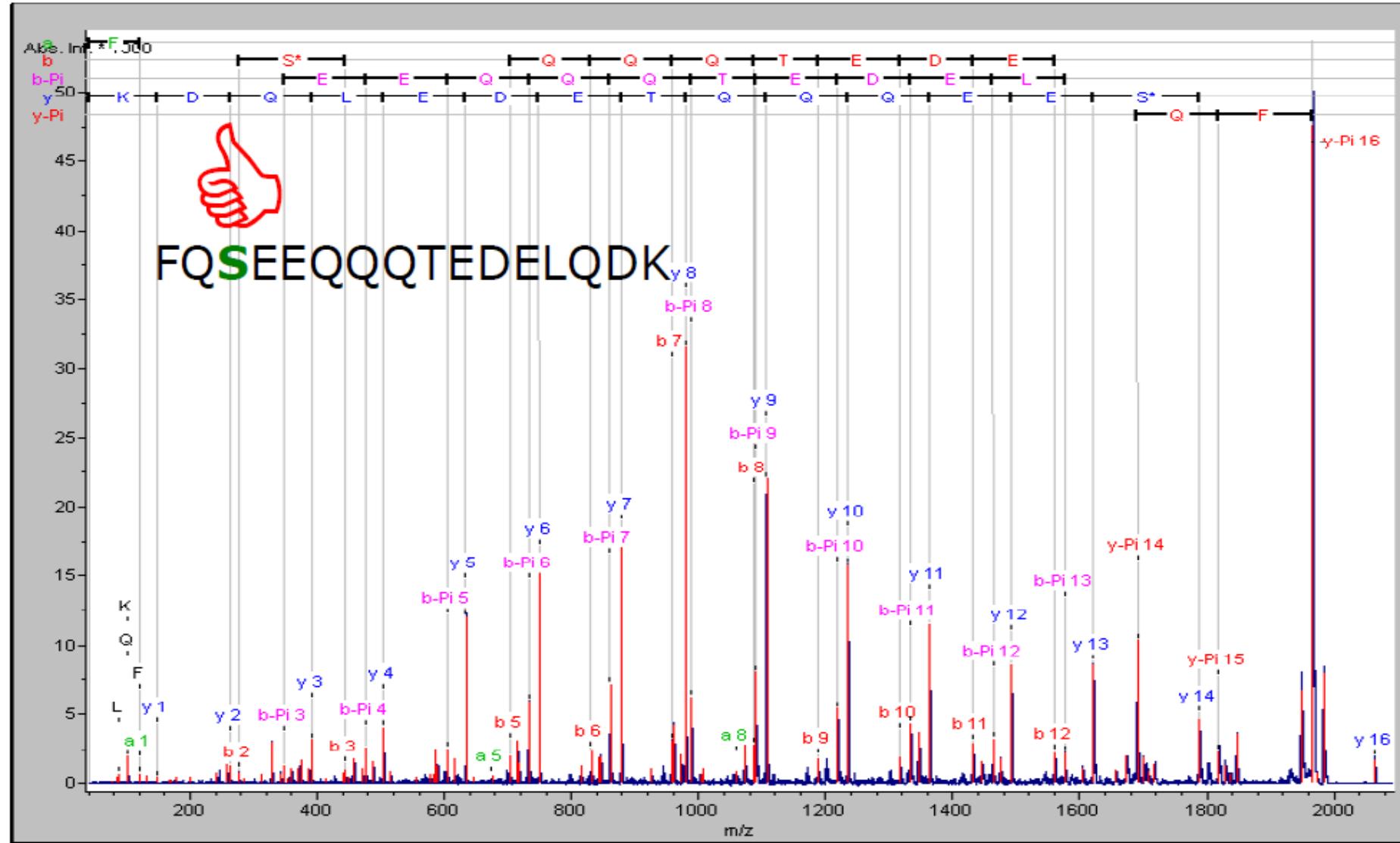
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MALDI Analysis of  
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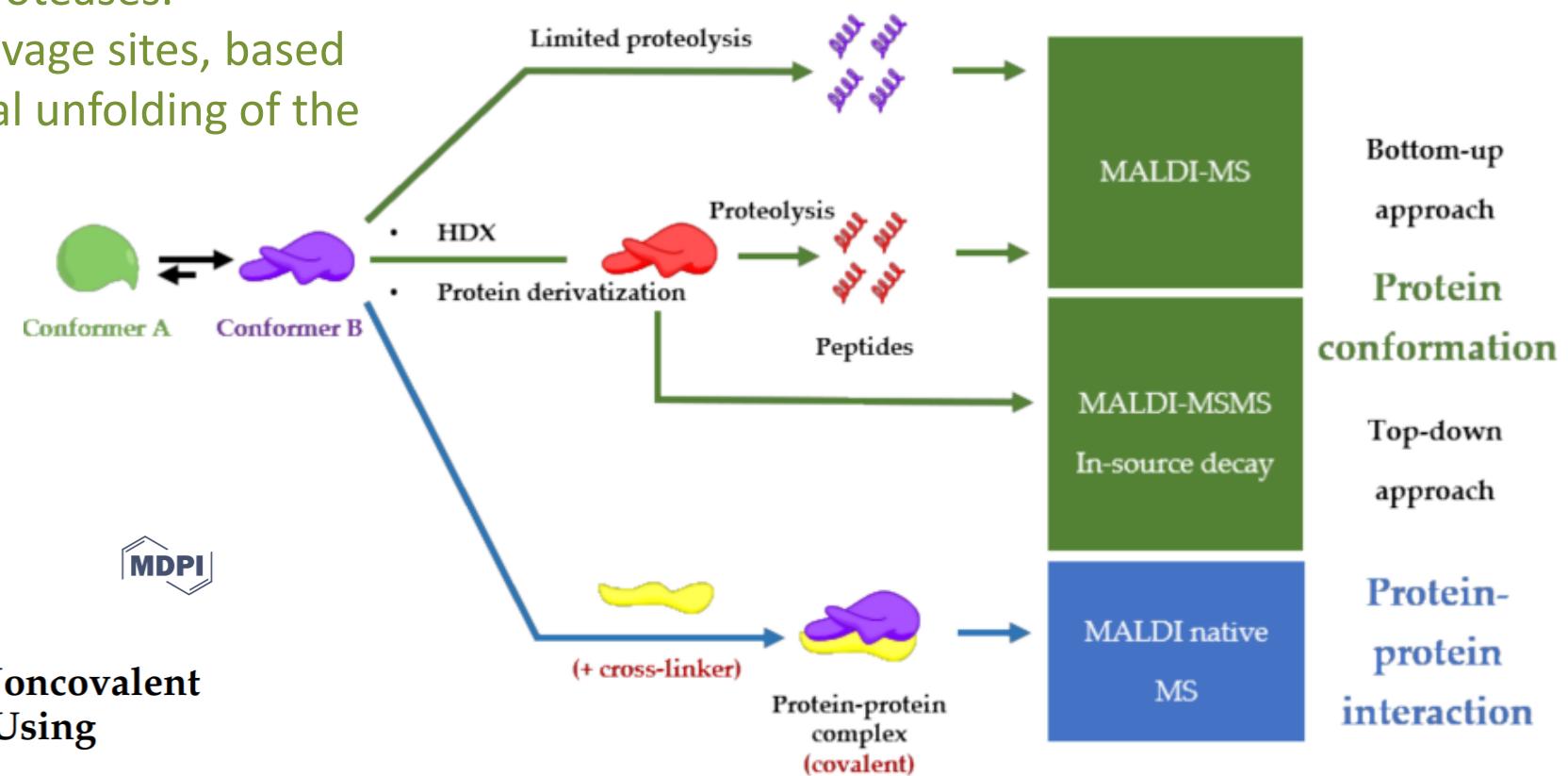


# Primena MALDI ToF/ToF

- Limited proteolysis MALDI-MS

The limited proteolysis is restricted digestion of the protein with a low concentration of proteases.

Controlled proteolysis at putative cleavage sites, based on the backbone plasticity and/or local unfolding of the protein region.



 molecules

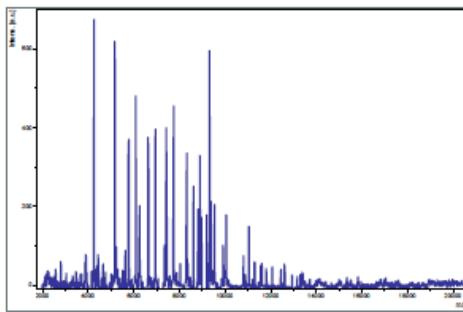
Review  
**Insight to Functional Conformation and Noncovalent Interactions of Protein-Protein Assembly Using MALDI Mass Spectrometry**



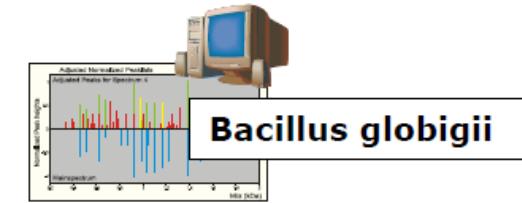
# MALDI-ToF: Primena

MALDI-TOFMS profiling of microorganisms:

- linear MALDI-TOF
- mass range: 2000 ... 20000Da



Identified species



Fingerprint search against  
proprietary spectra library

Generate MALDI-TOF  
profile spectrum



Mix with MALDI matrix (HCCA),  
prepare onto a MALDI target plate



Select a colony



Unknown  
microorganism



•Oligonucleotides analysis

# Primena MALDI ToF/ToF

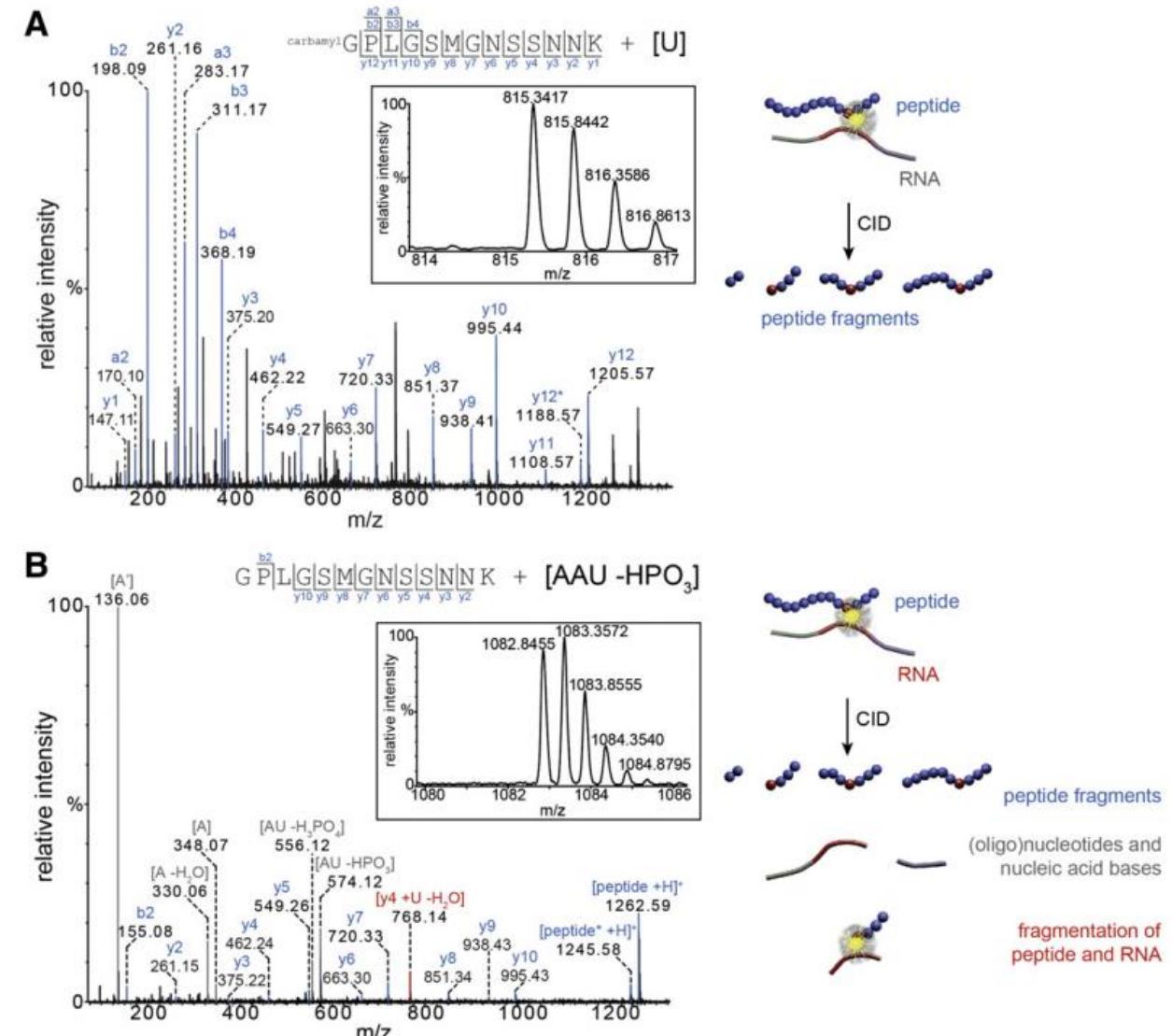
- Protein/RNA interactions
- RNA, posttranscriptional modifications
- DNA



Methods in Enzymology  
Volume 425, 2007, Pages 1, 3-20

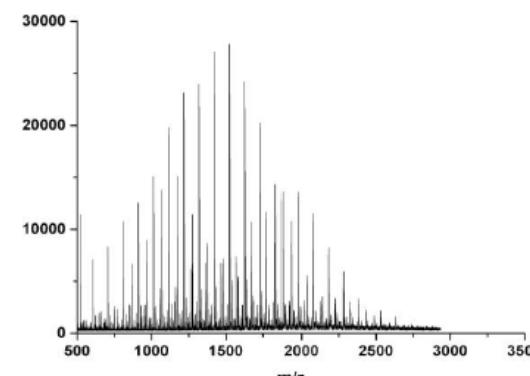
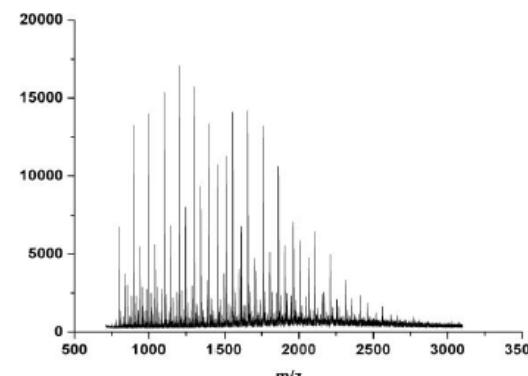
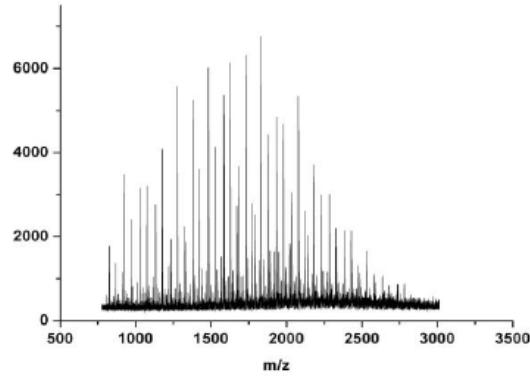
Identifying Modifications in RNA by MALDI Mass Spectrometry

Stephen Douthwaite, Finn Kirpekar

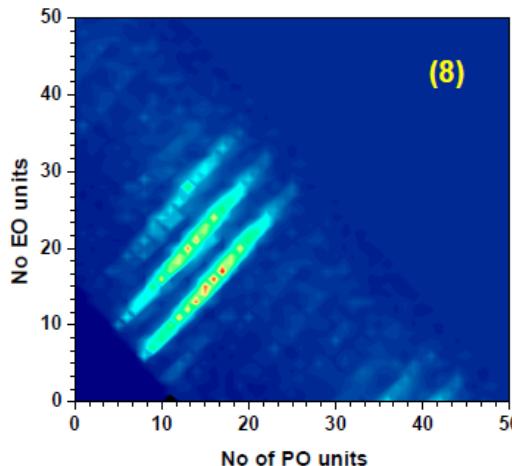


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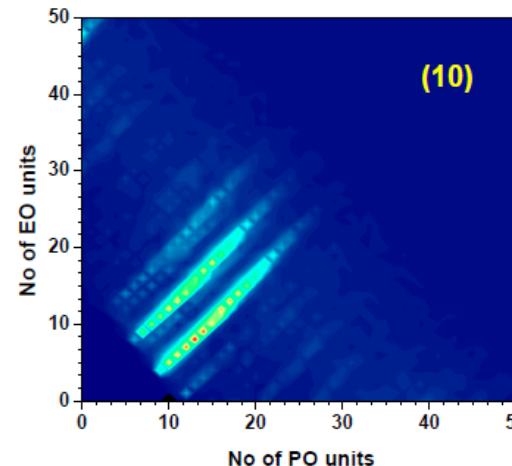
Polymer characterization: Pre-separated PEO/PPO Copolymer



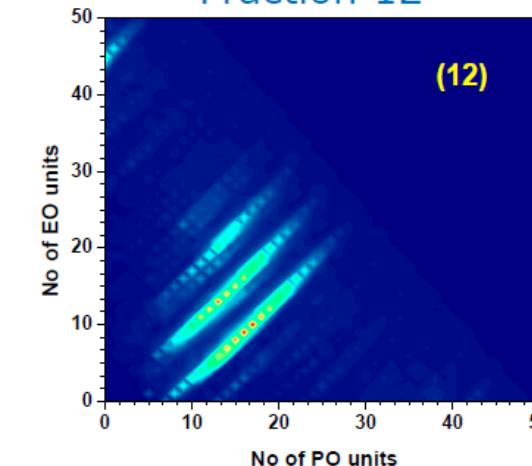
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Fraction 10

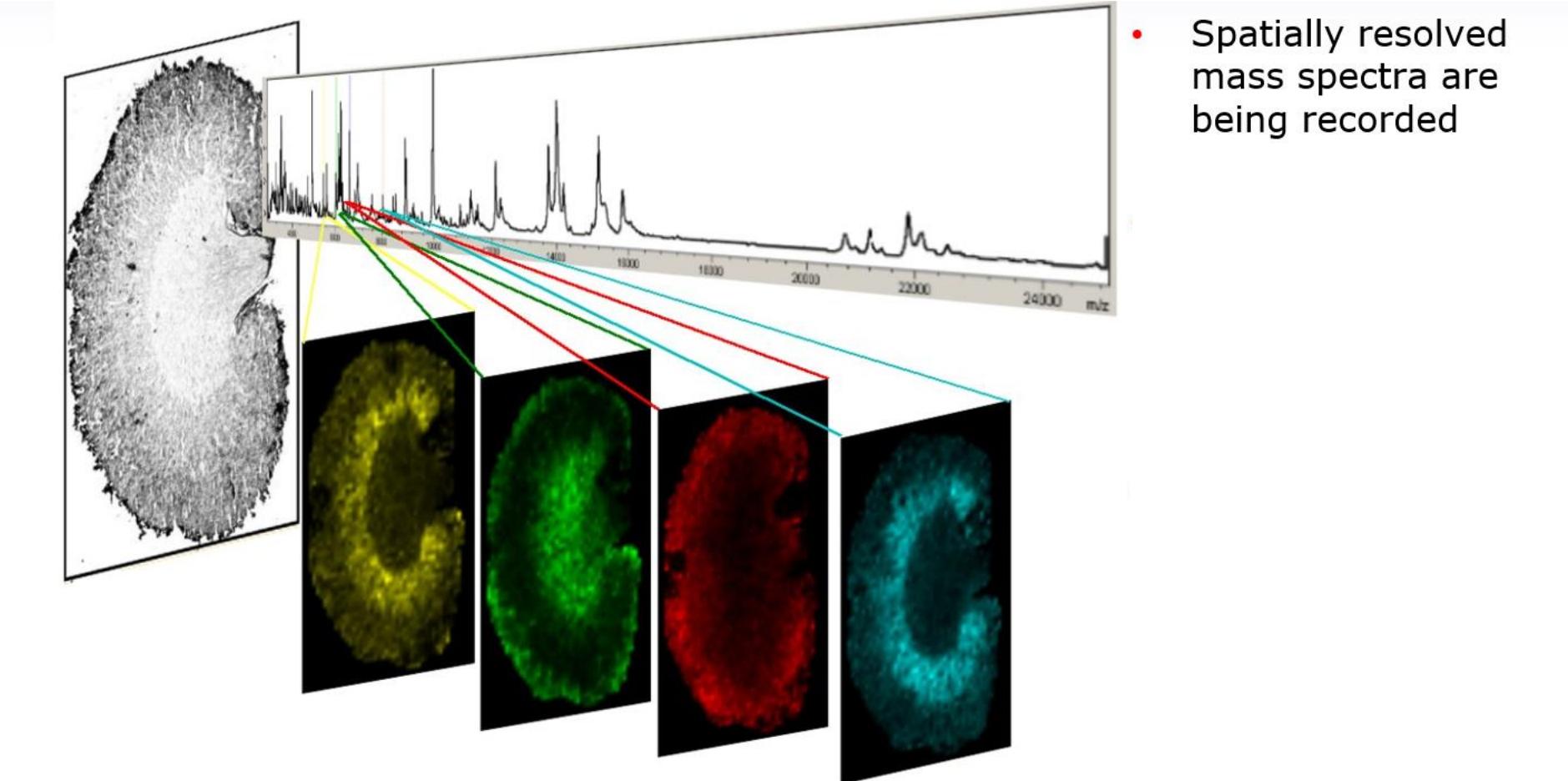


Fraction 12



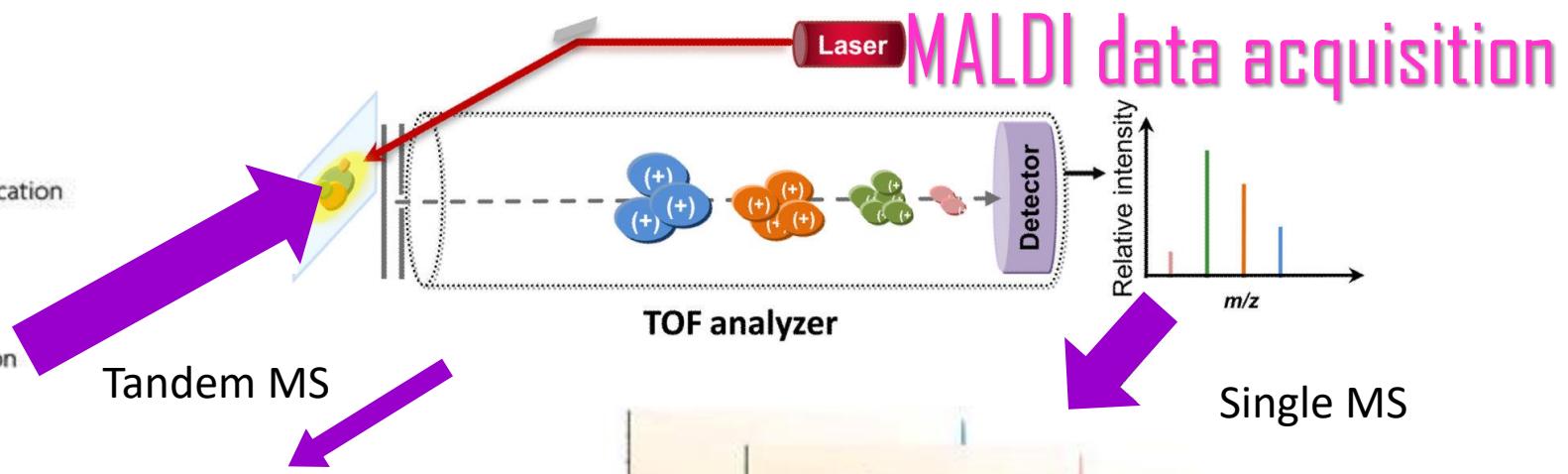
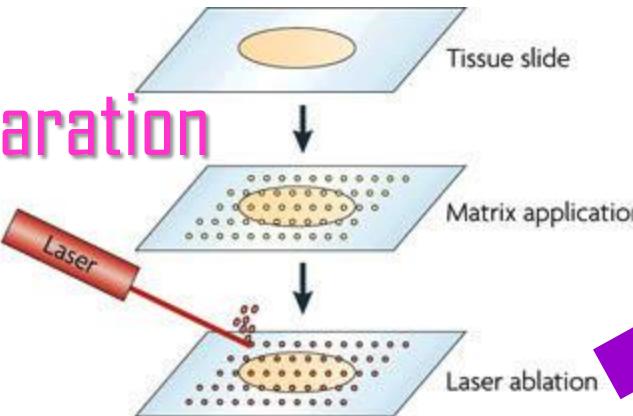
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# Šta je MALDI MS oslikavanje?

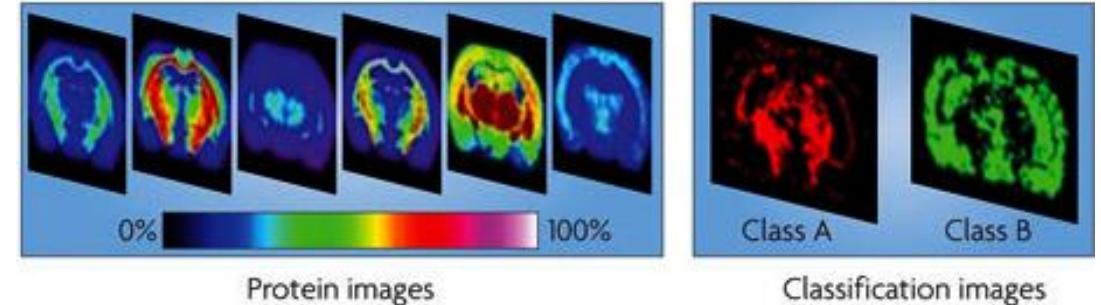
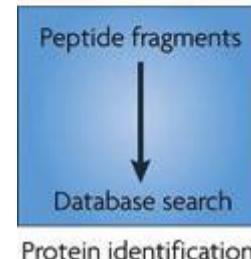
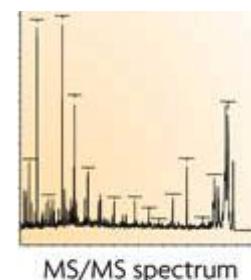


# MALDI MSI -workflow

## Sample preparation



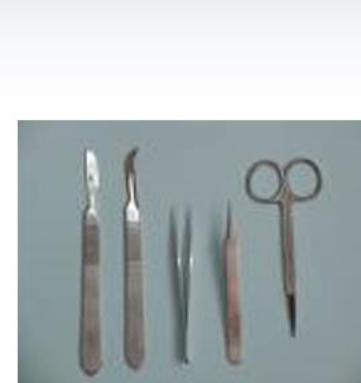
## Data analysis and interpretation



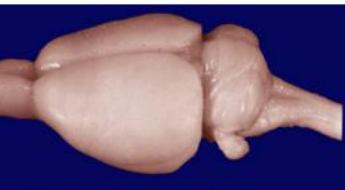
Nature Reviews Cancer 10, 639-646 (September 2010) doi:10.1038/nrc2917

Seeley and Caprioli. Trends Biotechnol. 2011 March ; 29(3): 136-143. doi:10.1016/j.tibtech.2010.12.002

# MALDI -priprema uzorka - sveže zamrznuto tkivo



Tissue preparation

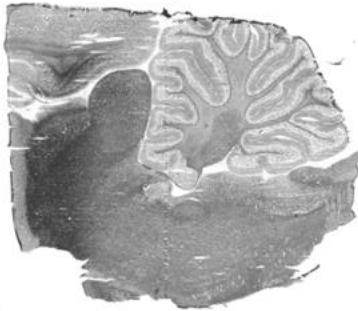


Snap-frozen tissue  
FFPE tissue



Cryo-microtome

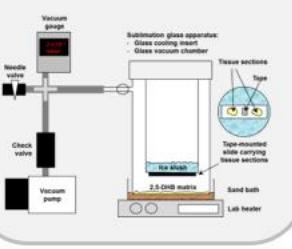
Tissue section mounted  
on conductive ITO slide  
(preferred thickness  $\leq 10\mu\text{m}$ )



Pneumatic spray



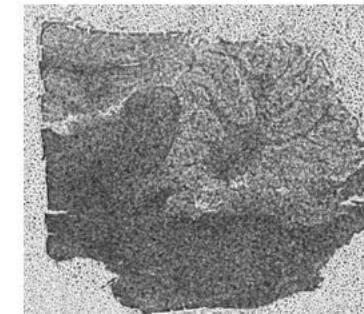
Sublimation



Nebulization  
(Bruker Imageprep)



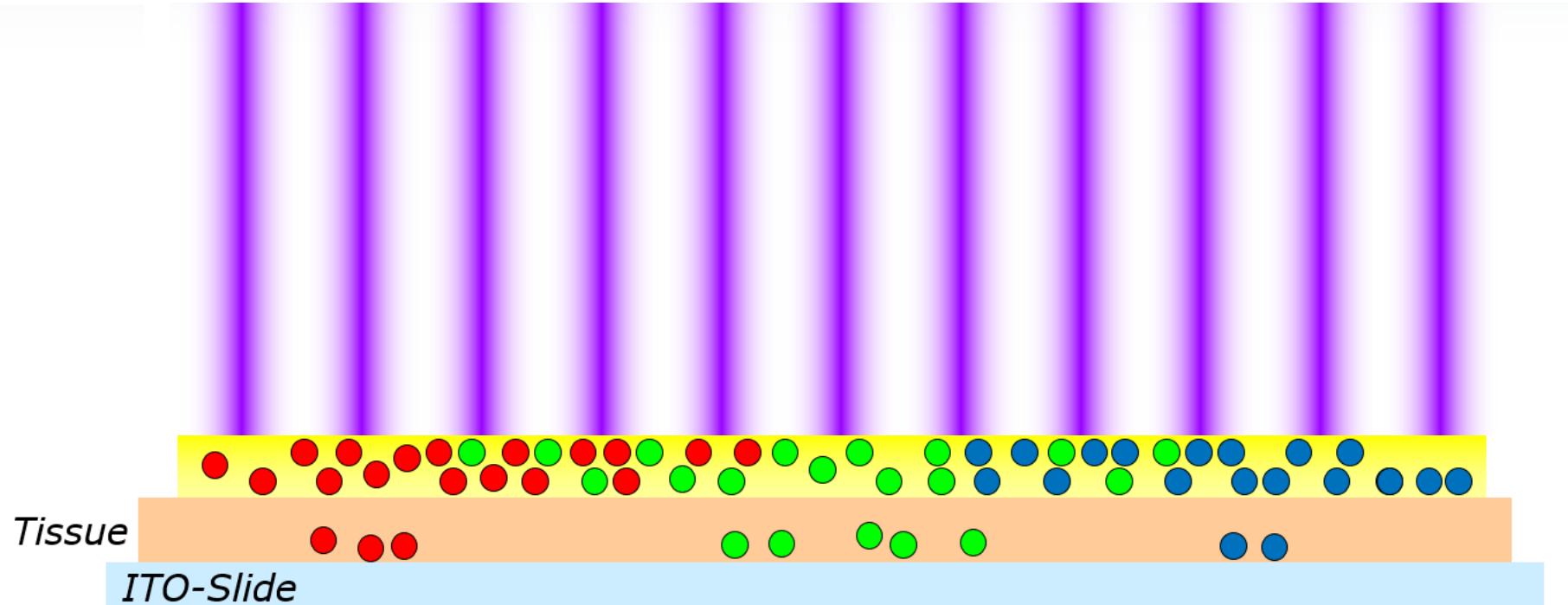
MALDI matrix preparation



Matrix coated section

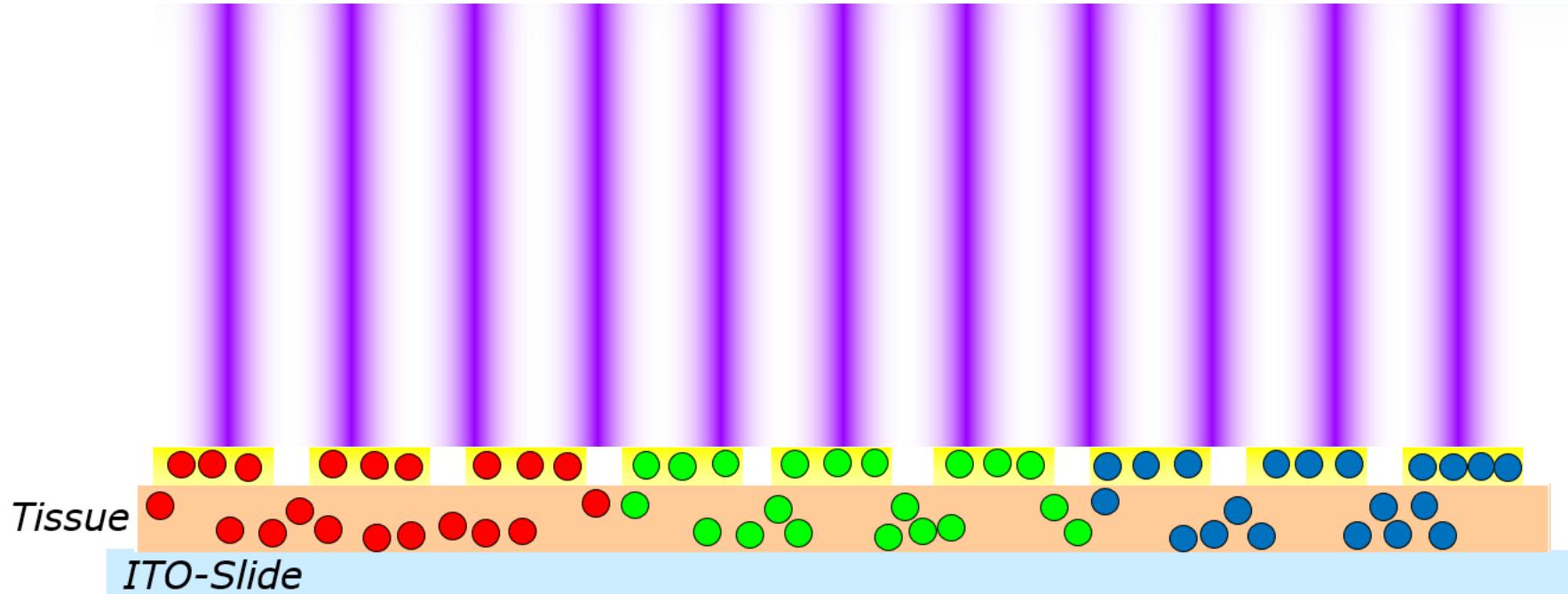
# Nanošenje matrice

Wet matrix deposition method



**Large droplets:** good extraction, low spatial resolution

# Nanošenje matrice



**Small droplets:** reduced extraction, high resolution

# Metode vlažno za nanošenje matrice

## ➤ **Nebulization** (f.e. **Bruker imageprep**):

- Very good spectrum quality especially for intact proteins, due to efficient extraction of analyte molecules from tissue
- 50-70µm resolution routinely achievable
- Rather slow (takes approx. 1hour)

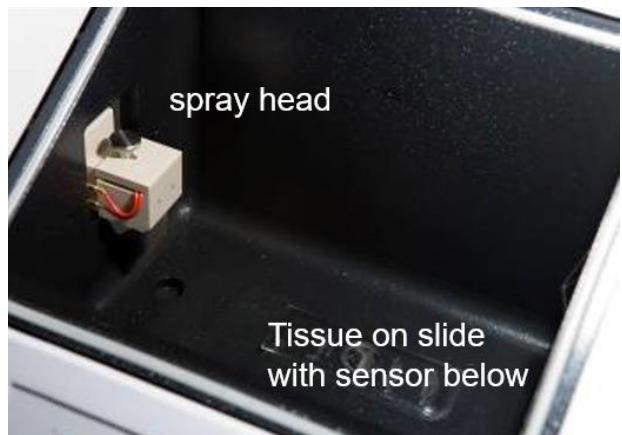
## ➤ **Pneumatic spray** (f.e. **HTX TM-sprayer, suncollect**)

- Applicable to rather broad range of analytes, MALDI matrices and applications
- Capable of generating very thin matrix layers consisting of very small crystals
- Careful method optimization required, to find best compromise between spatial resolution and spectral quality
- Depending on analyte of interest, spatial resolution of 10-20µm achievable
- Rather fast (5 – 15min depending on method setup)
- best suited instrument type for **deposition of enzymes** (trypsin f.e.) when dealing with FFPE tissue.





MALDI



Spectra  
quality

high

manual  
dried droplet

nanospotter

manual  
spray

electrospray

1 mm

100  $\mu$ m

10  $\mu$ m

Spatial  
resolution

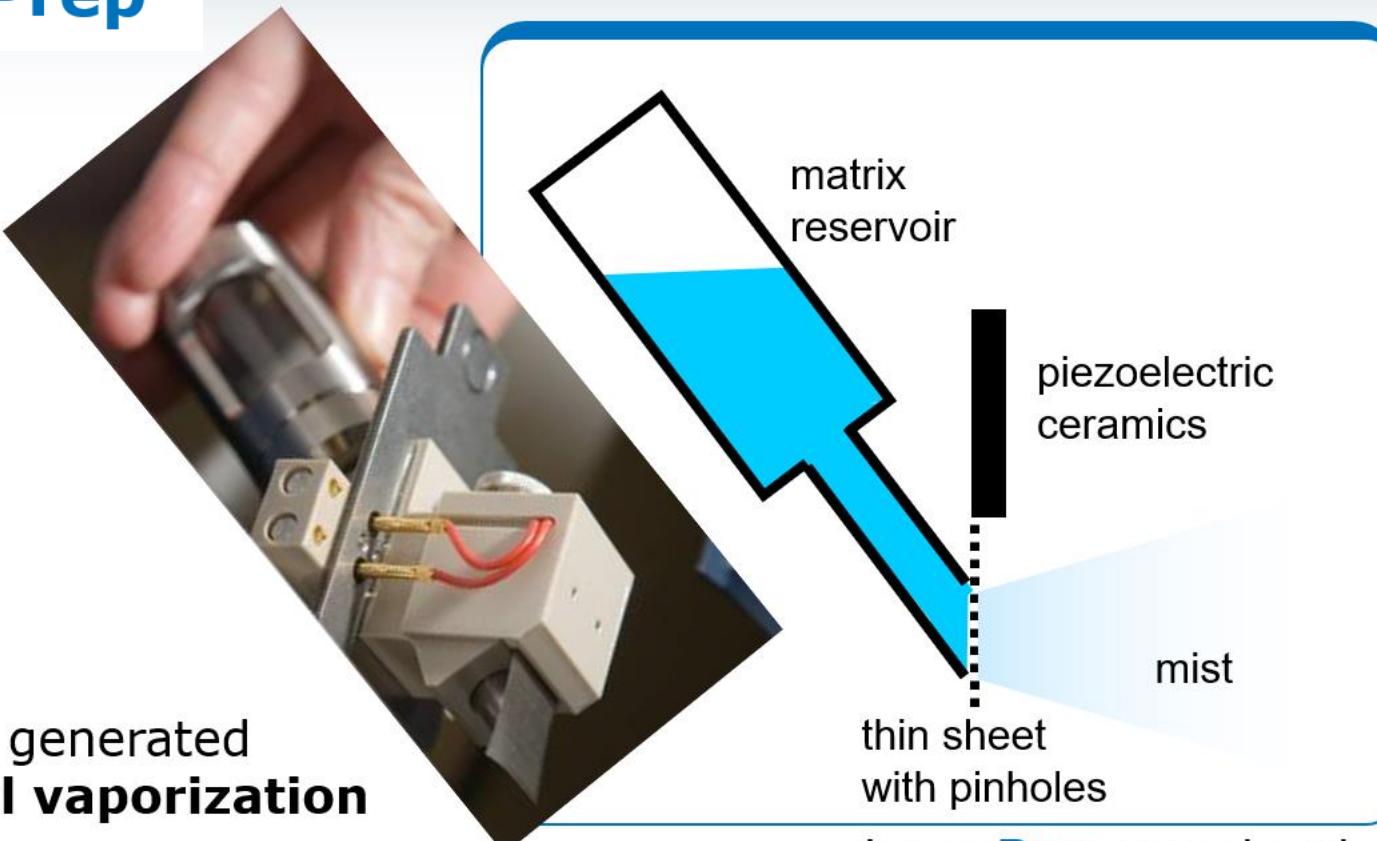
# Bruker ImagePrep



- 50  $\mu$ m spatial resolution
- good spectrum quality
- automated operation



## Bruker ImagePrep

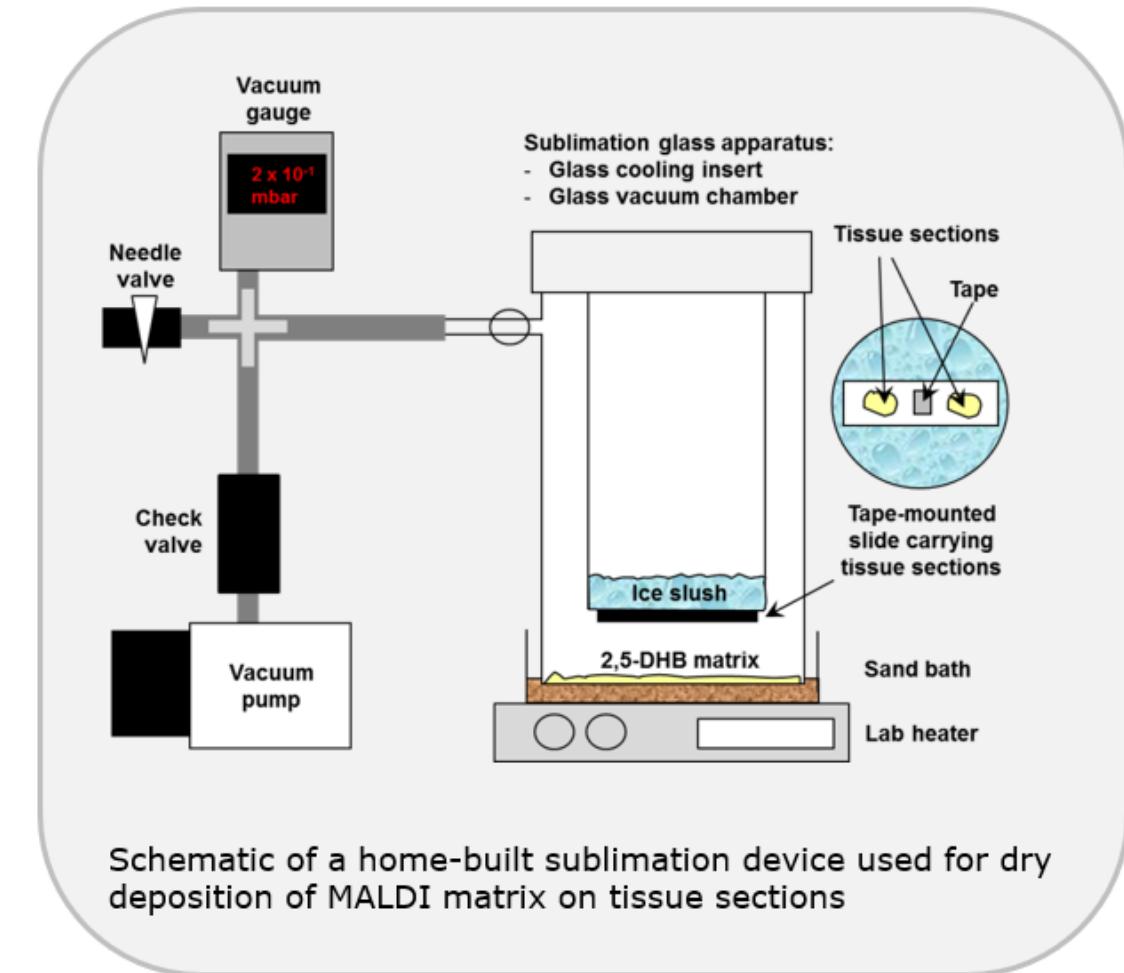


- Matrix aerosol generated by **vibrational vaporization**
- Soft, gravitational droplet deposition, **controlled atmosphere**
- **Reproducible crystal size**

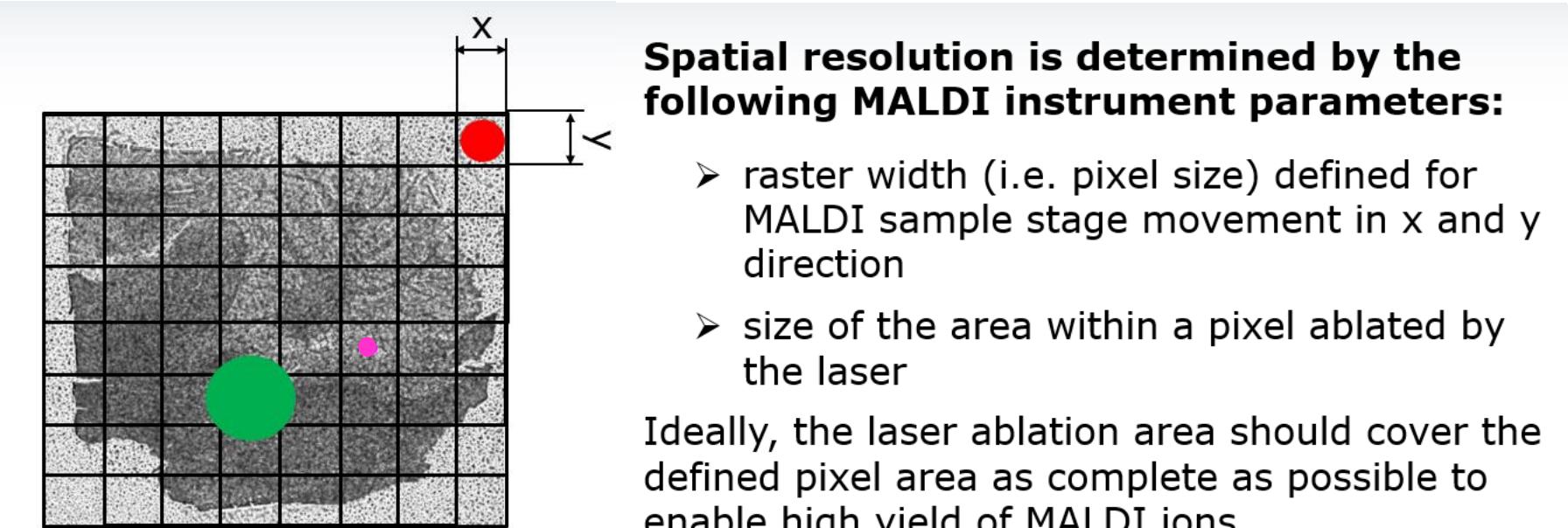
# Metode za suvo nanošenje matrice

## ➤ *Sublimation*

- Very thin matrix layers consisting of extremely small crystal size
- No artificial delocalization of analyte molecules due to absence of solvents
- Ultimate level of spatial resolution achievable (<10µm)
- Works best for sufficiently small analyte molecules that ionize very well in MALDI (f.e. lipids, various other small molecules)
- Simple and fast technique
- For larger analyte molecules (f.e. peptides, proteins), dry matrix deposition may require an additional rehydration step, or may even not work at all



# Prostorna rezolucija u MALDI MSI



**Spatial resolution is determined by the following MALDI instrument parameters:**

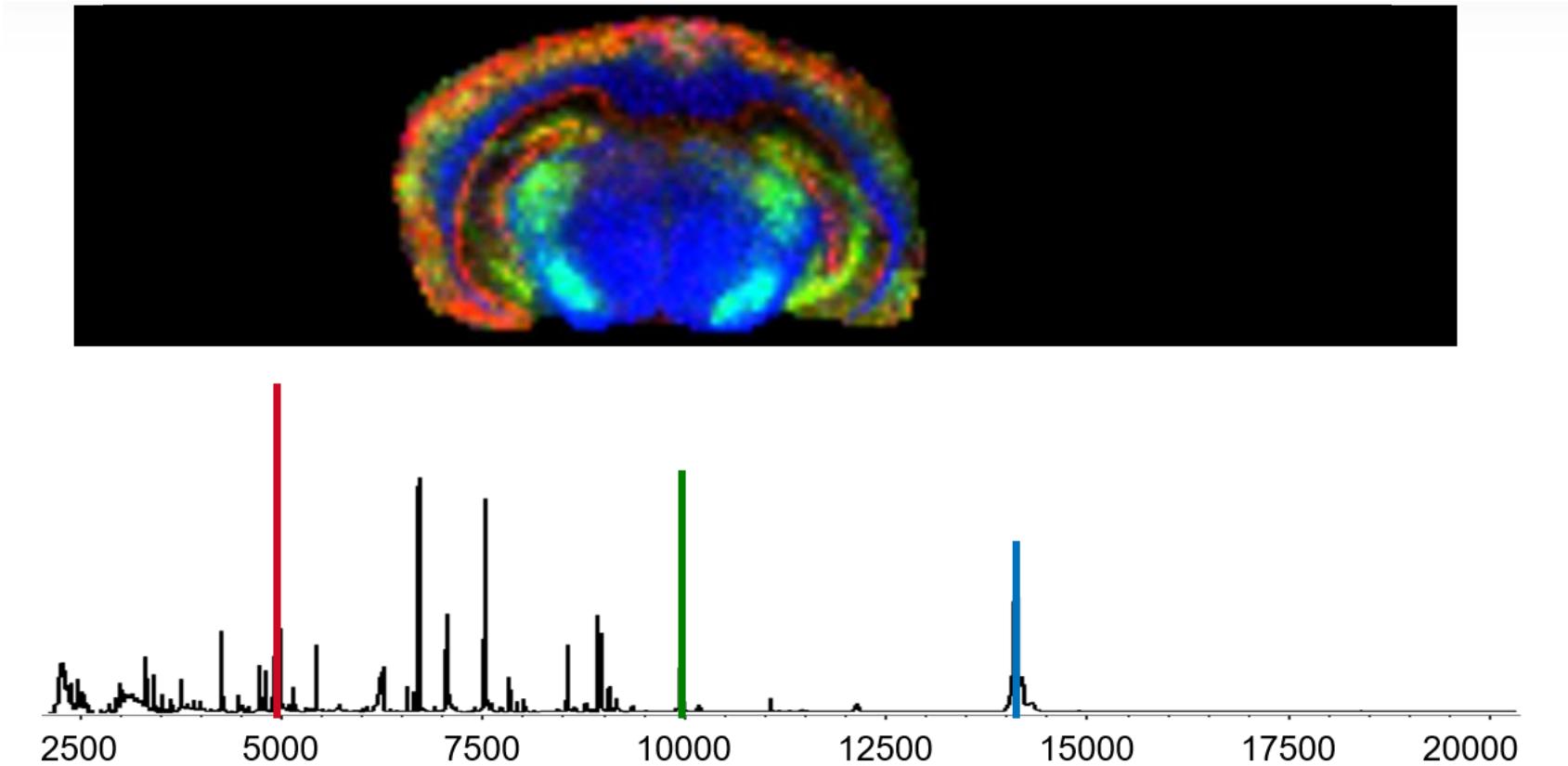
- raster width (i.e. pixel size) defined for MALDI sample stage movement in x and y direction
- size of the area within a pixel ablated by the laser

Ideally, the laser ablation area should cover the defined pixel area as complete as possible to enable high yield of MALDI ions.

**Laser ablation area** smaller than desired pixel dimensions will cause **undersampling** (lowered MALDI ion yield because of low pixel coverage).

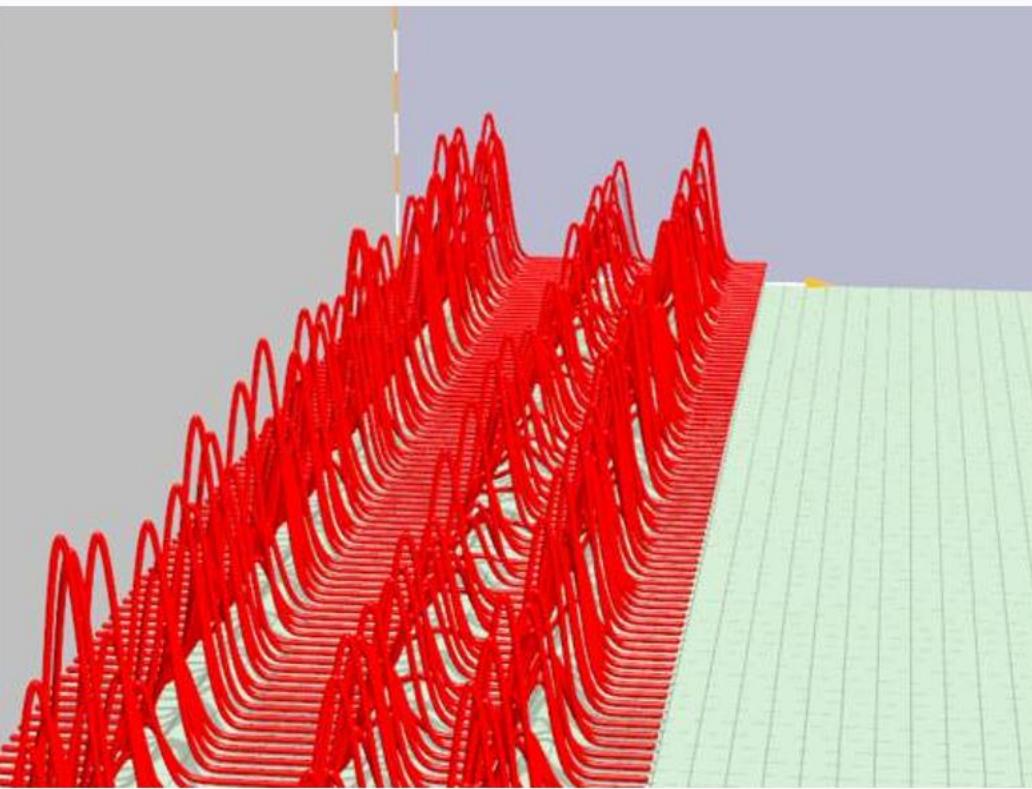
**Laser ablation area** larger than defined pixel dimensions will cause **oversampling** (leading to diminished spatial resolution of resulting MALDI images).

# MALDI- Data analysis and interpretation

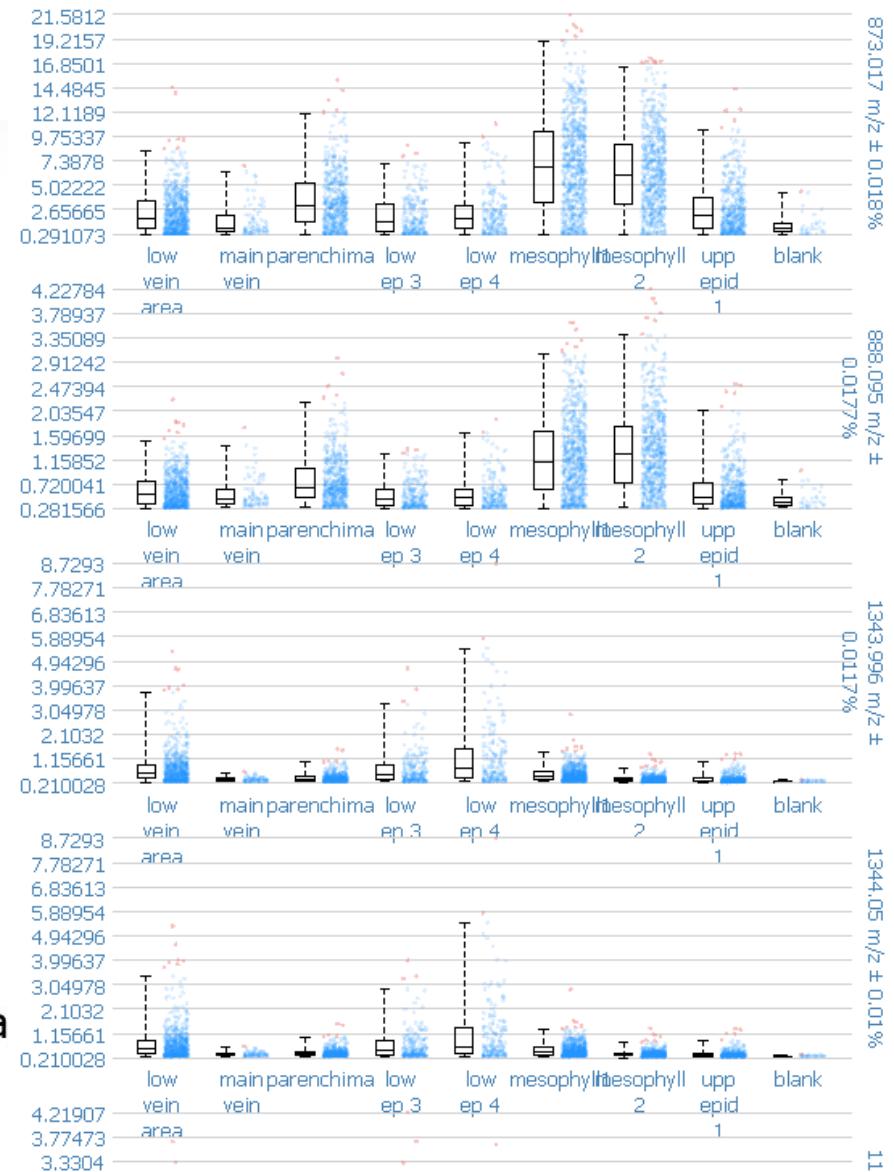


MALDI-MS imaging is a truly multiplexing technique. Ion images can be extracted from a data set for any mass feature of interest within the detection range covered.

# MALDI-MSI Obrada podataka



We start with this set of spectra, e.g. individual pixels from a MALDI ima



# Tissue-specific accumulation of phenolics in crops and variegated plants as a part of adaptation processes to changing climate conditions

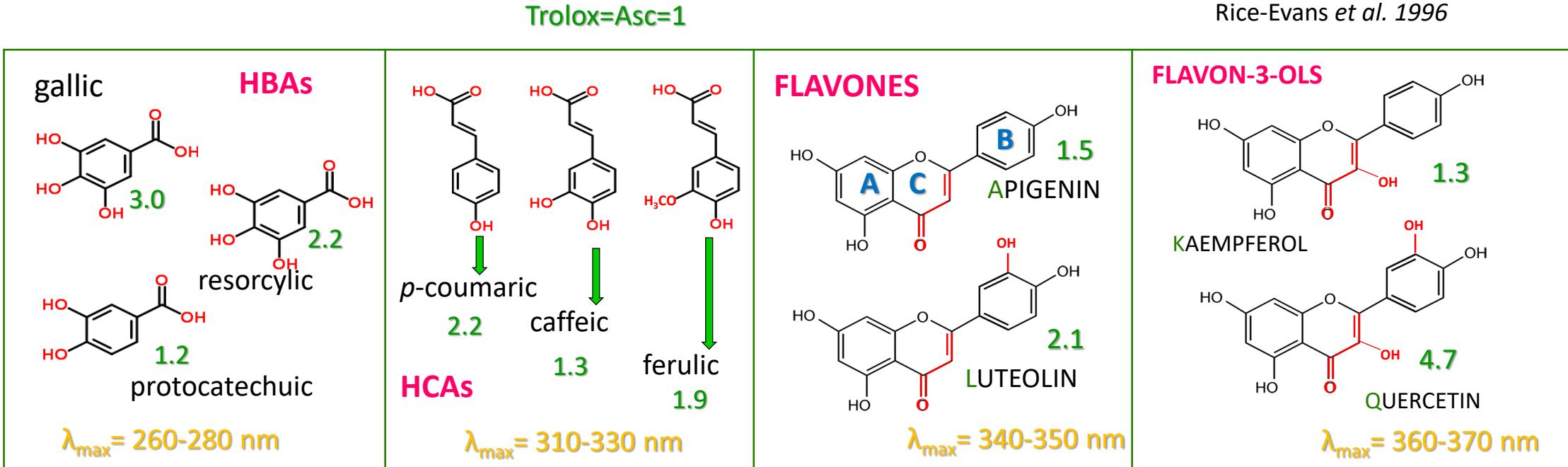


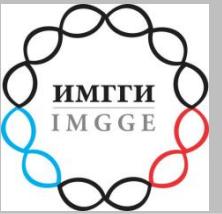
# Fenolna jedinjenja

Physiological roles (solar irradiance):

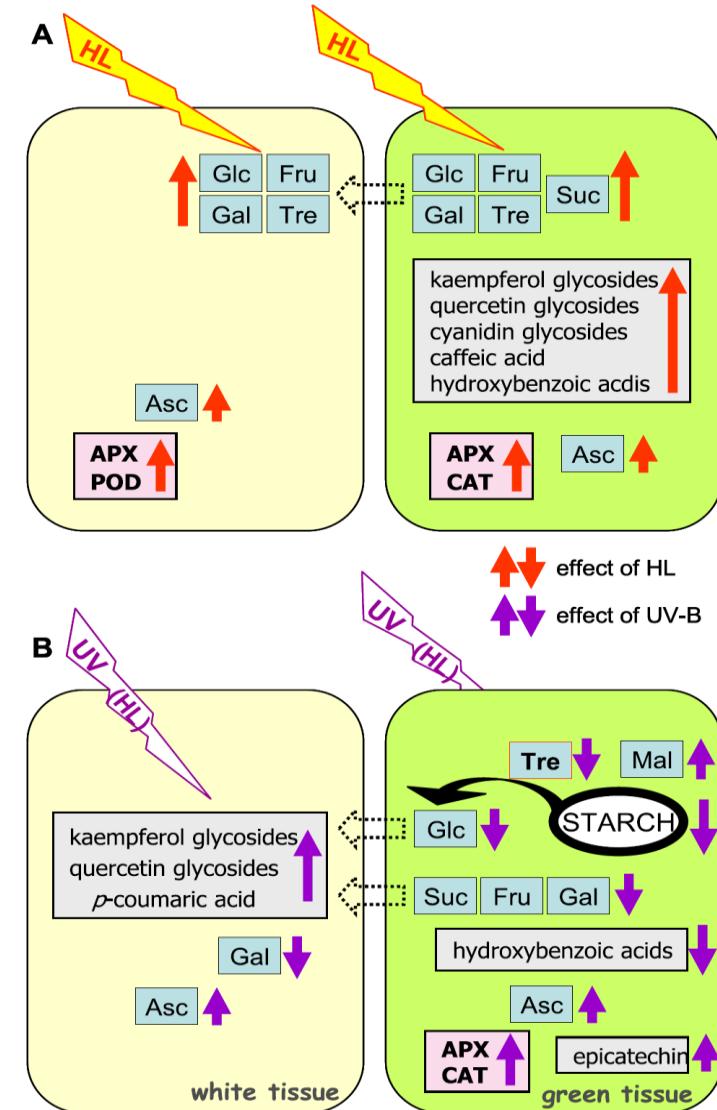
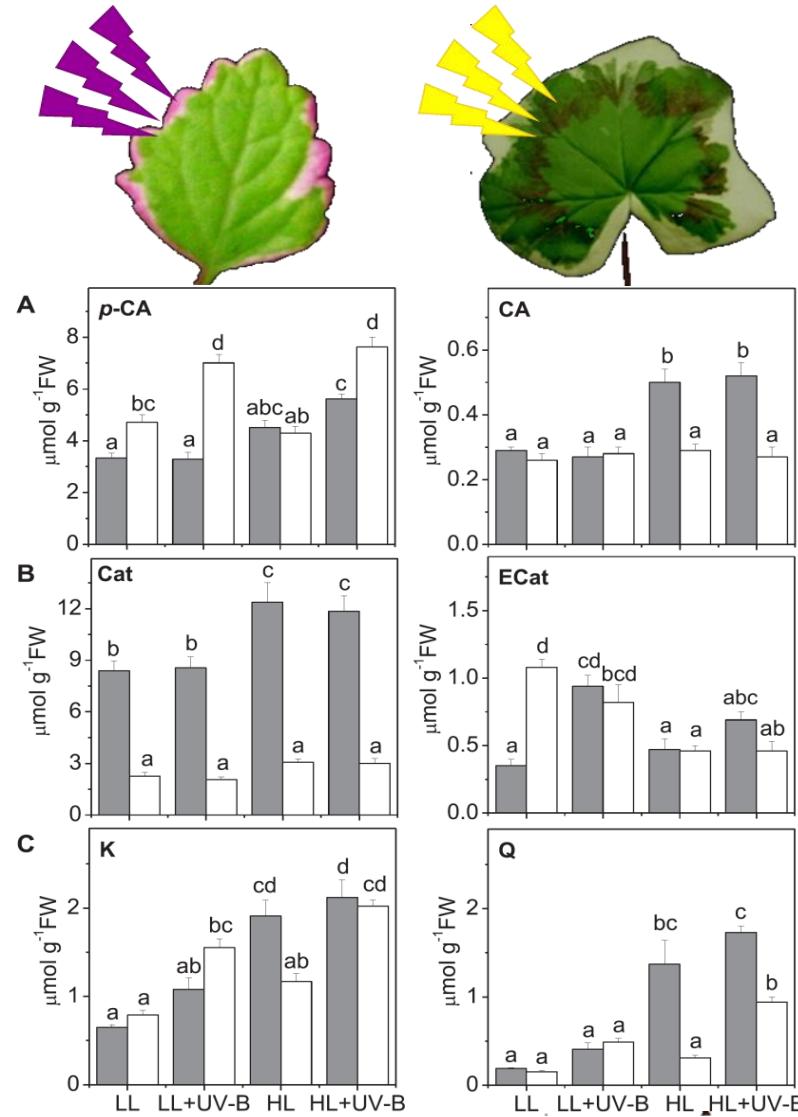
1. UV/light screening - epidermal phenolics (flavonoids-**Flav** and hydroxycinnamic acids-**HCA**s).
2. Antioxidants- flavonoids with *ortho*-dihydroxylated B-ring in the mesophyll cells → against oxidative damage induced by high light, UV-A and UV-B radiation, and cold stress.
3. Sink of reduced carbon (an energy escape valve).

The TEAC reflects the ability of hydrogen-donating antioxidants to scavenge the ABTS<sup>•+</sup> radical cation



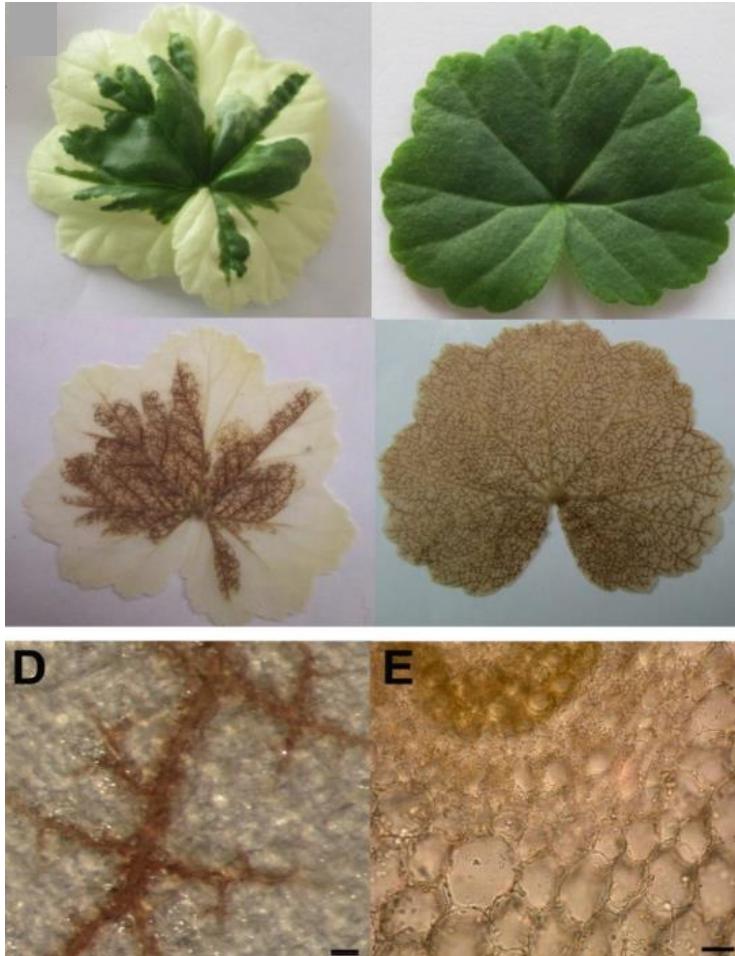


# "Sector-specific" leaf phenolics in *P. zonale*

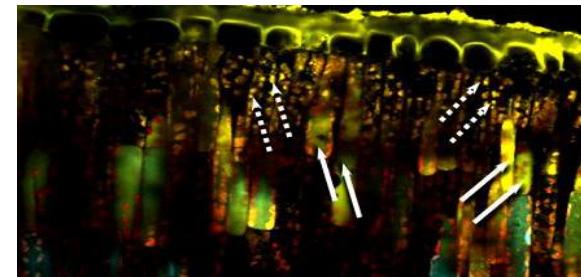


# Spatial distribution

Hydrogen peroxide/HL stress

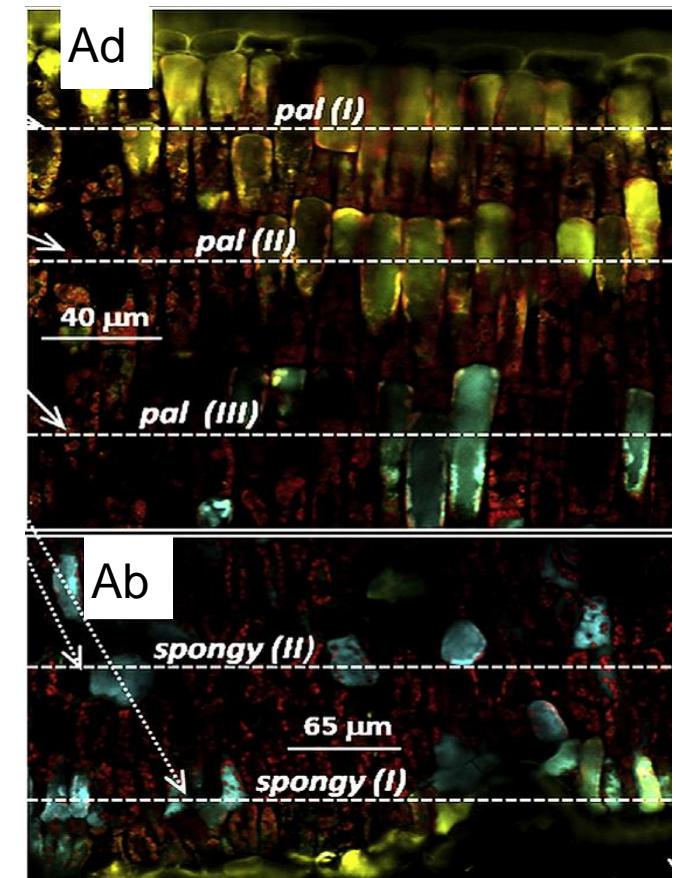


Flavonoids\*/full sun exposure:



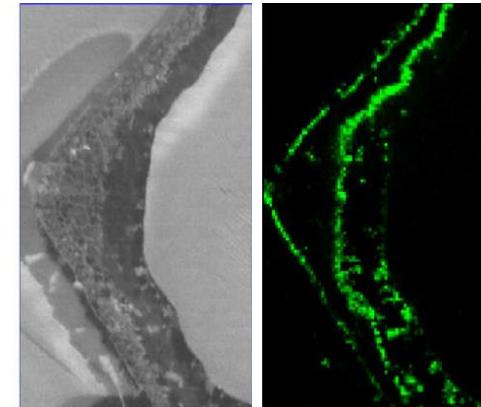
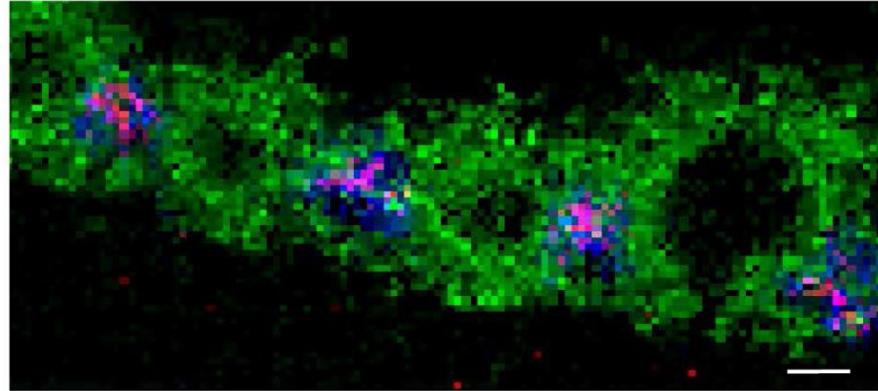
→ in the vacuole  
---> in the chloroplast

Distribution of **Flav**, and  
**HCA** in *Phyllirea latifolia*  
leaves



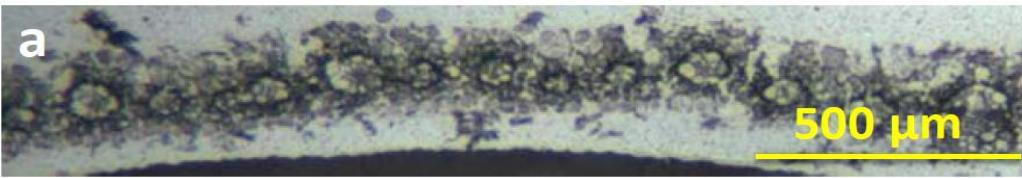
\*Naturstoff reagent

# Tissue-specific distribution

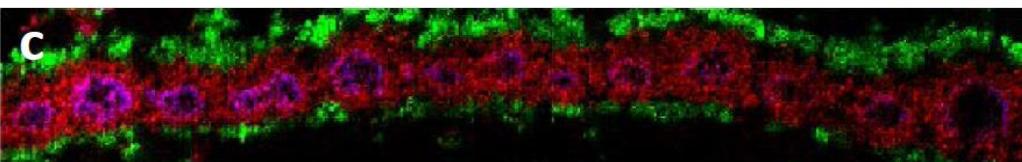


Maize leaf cross section

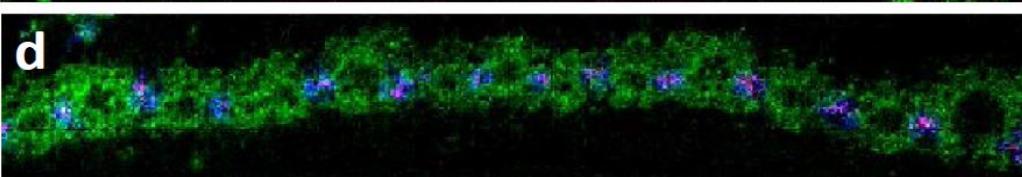
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Maysin  
Luteolin/  
Kaempferol



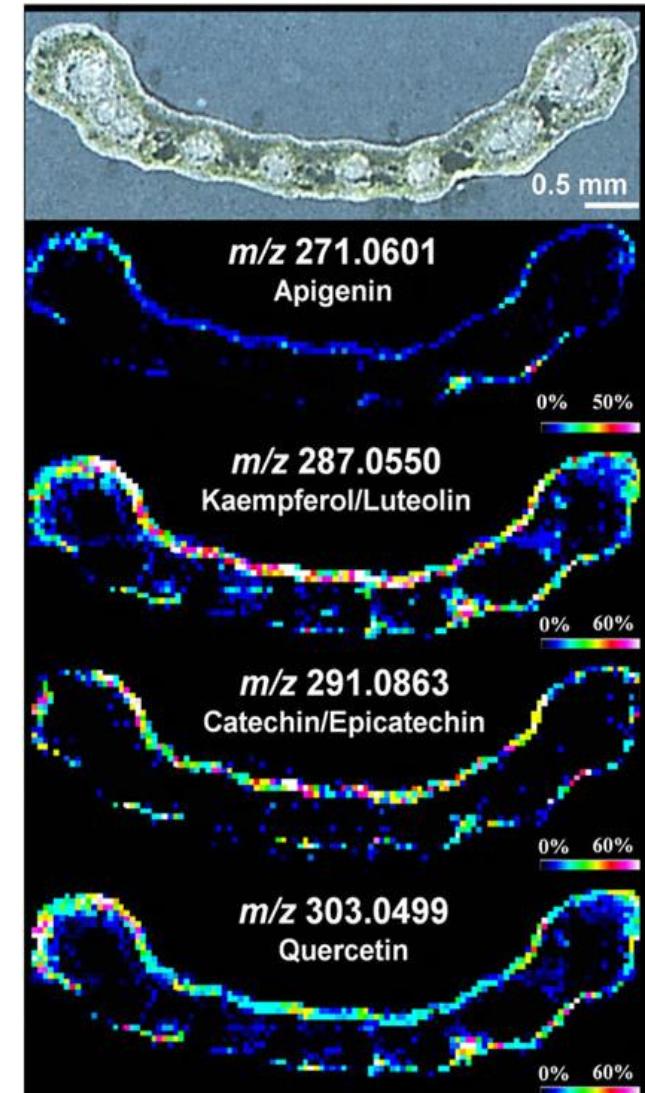
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Luteolin/  
Kaempferol



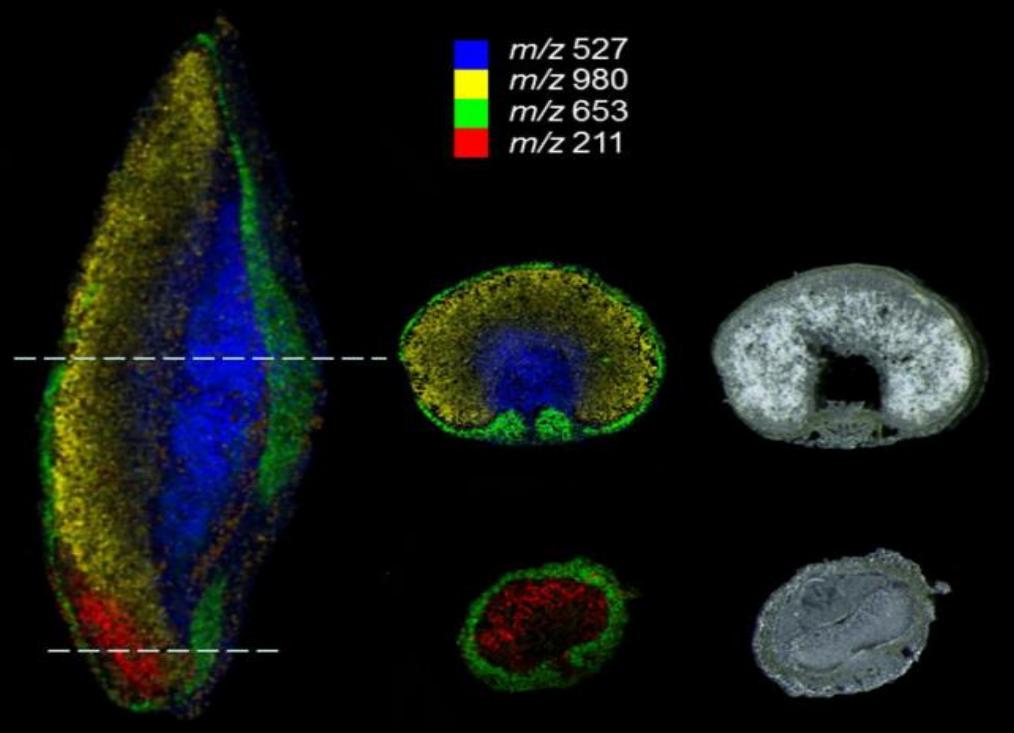
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Li et al., 2018

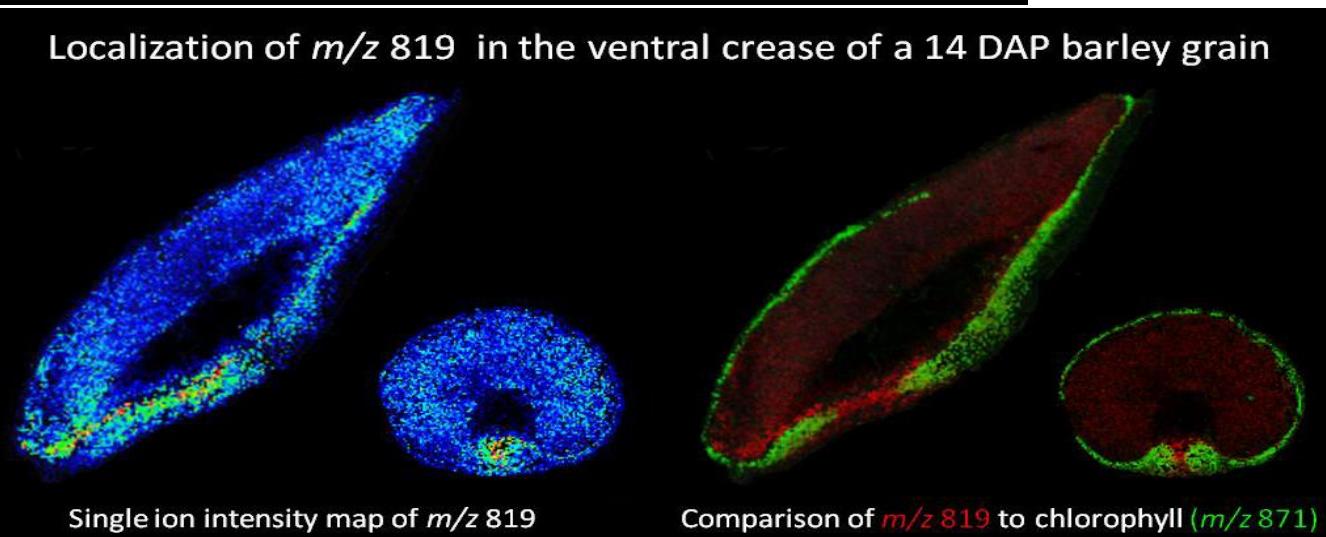
Ginkgo leaf cross section



# Tissue-specific distribution



Localization of  $m/z$  819 in the ventral crease of a 14 DAP barley grain



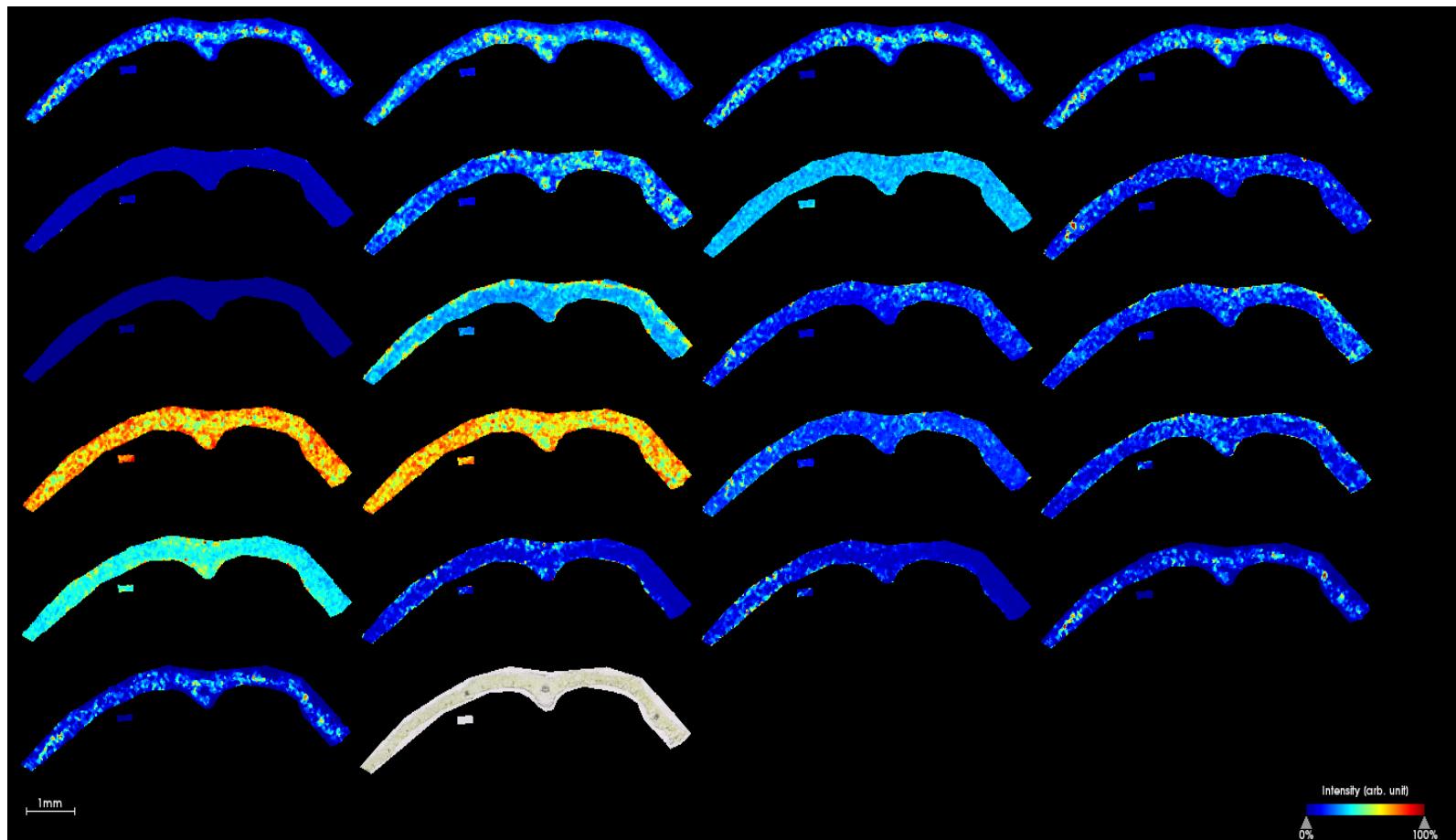
Single ion intensity map of  $m/z$  819

Comparison of  $m/z$  819 to chlorophyll ( $m/z$  871)

Peukert 2013, *Dissertation*



# Thank you for your attention!



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