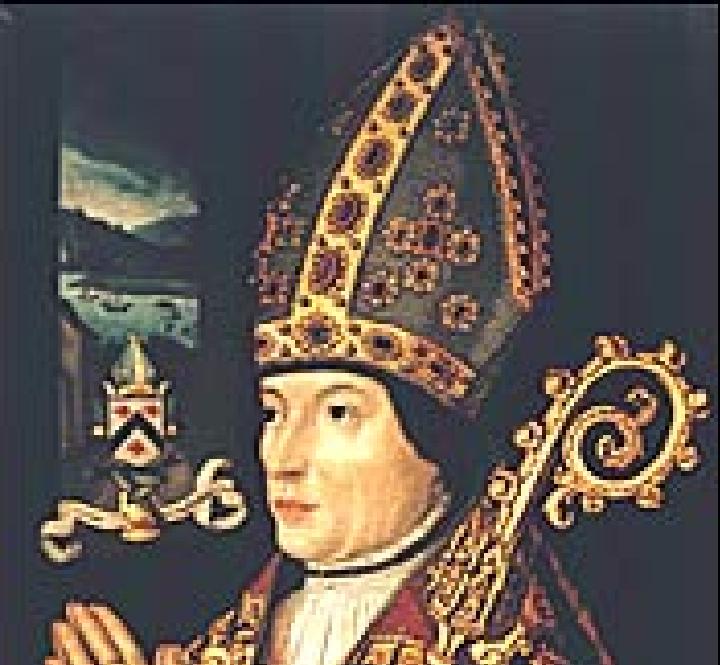
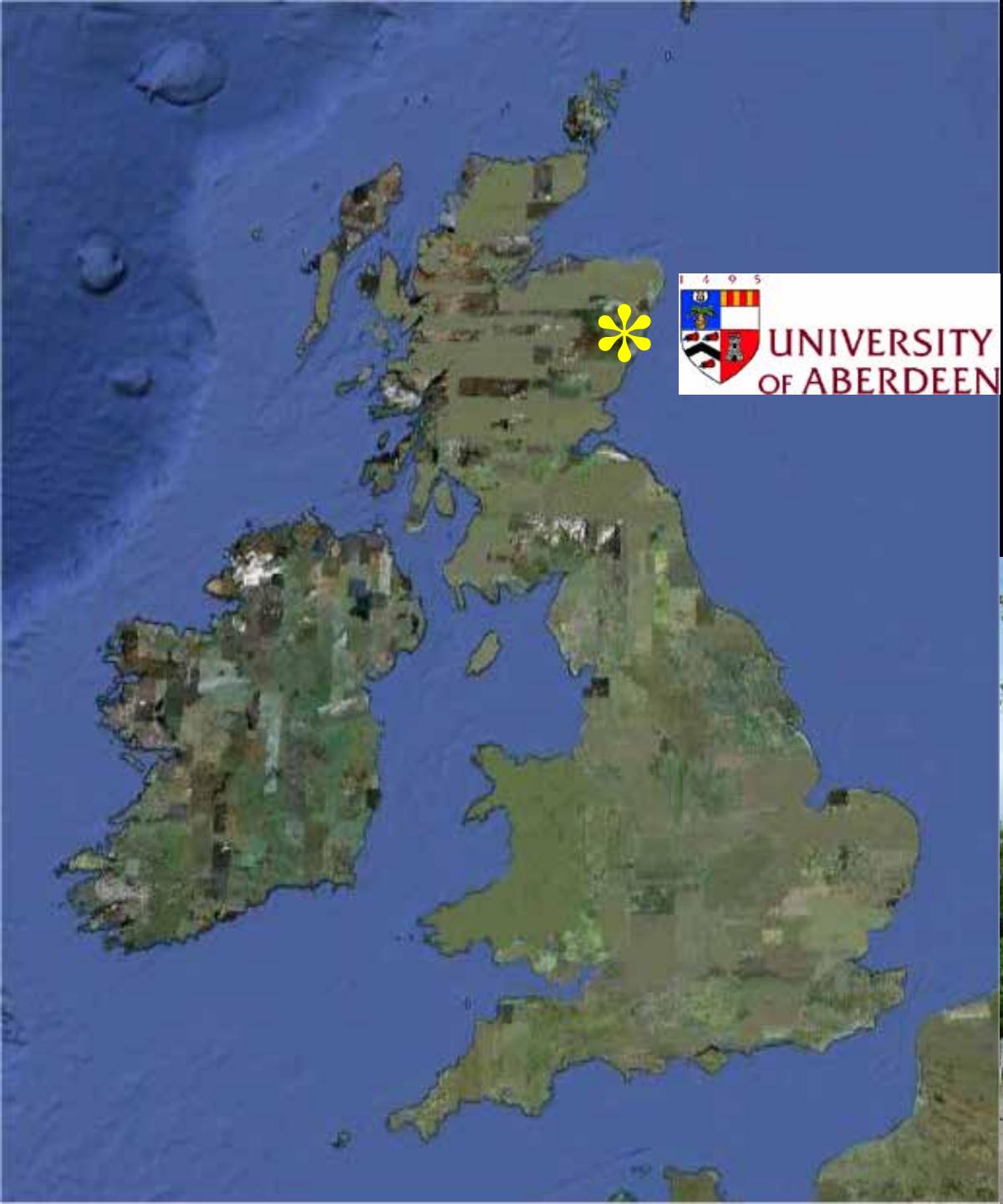


# New Approaches for the Dereplication, Isolation and Structural Elucidation of New Bioactive Marine Natural Products.

Marcel Jaspars



# The Marine Biodiscovery Centre

**Aim:** The discovery of novel pharmaceutical candidates and research tools from extreme environments.

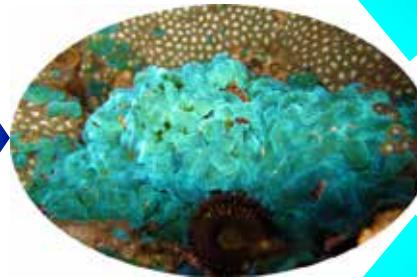
## Tools

Chromatography  
Spectroscopy  
Molecular biology  
Synthesis  
Molecular modelling  
New software

## People

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Marine invertebrates  
Marine microorganisms  
& Symbionts



## Functions

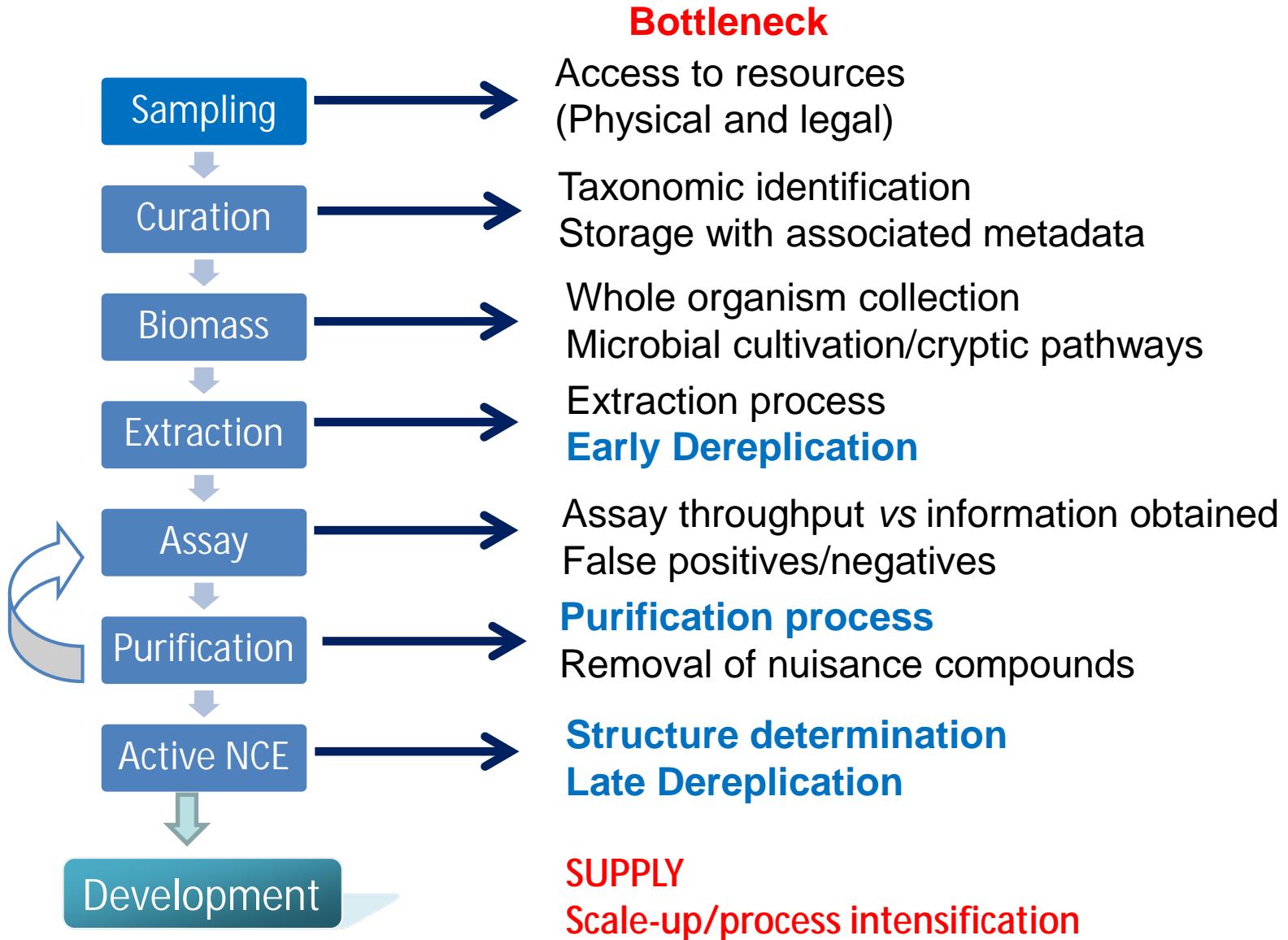
Chemical ecology  
Symbiosis  
Biosynthesis  
Bioinorganic chemistry

## Applications:

Pharmaceutical  
Cancer  
Infection  
Inflammation  
Parasites  
Epilepsy  
Alzheimer's

Natural Product Chemistry  
Pharmacy & Pharmacognosy  
Chemical Biology  
Synthetic Biology  
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Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

# The Biodiscovery Pipeline





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# Compound Isolation



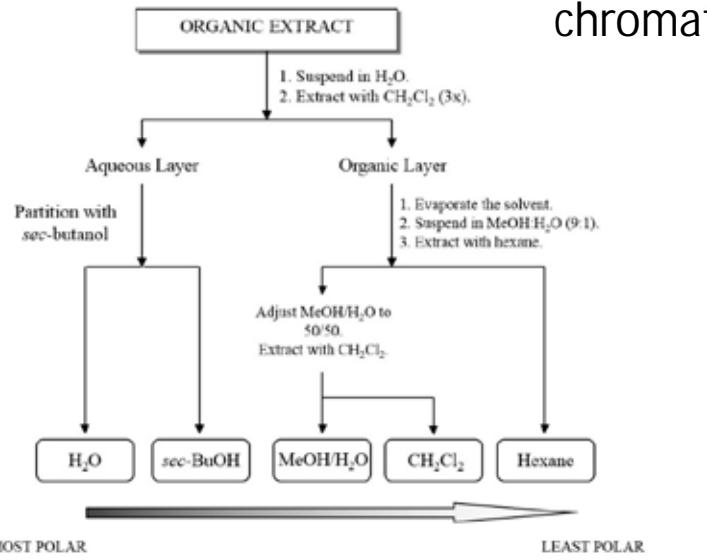
## Solvent-solvent partition



# Size-exclusion chromatography



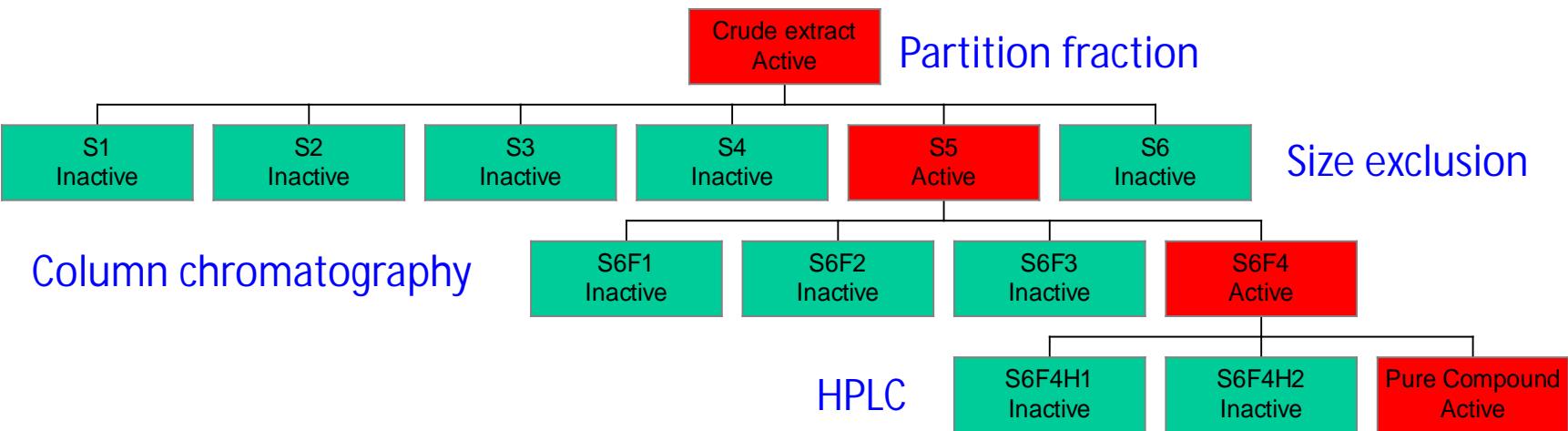
# Medium pressure liquid chromatography



# High Pressure Liquid Chromatography



# Bioassay Guided Isolation



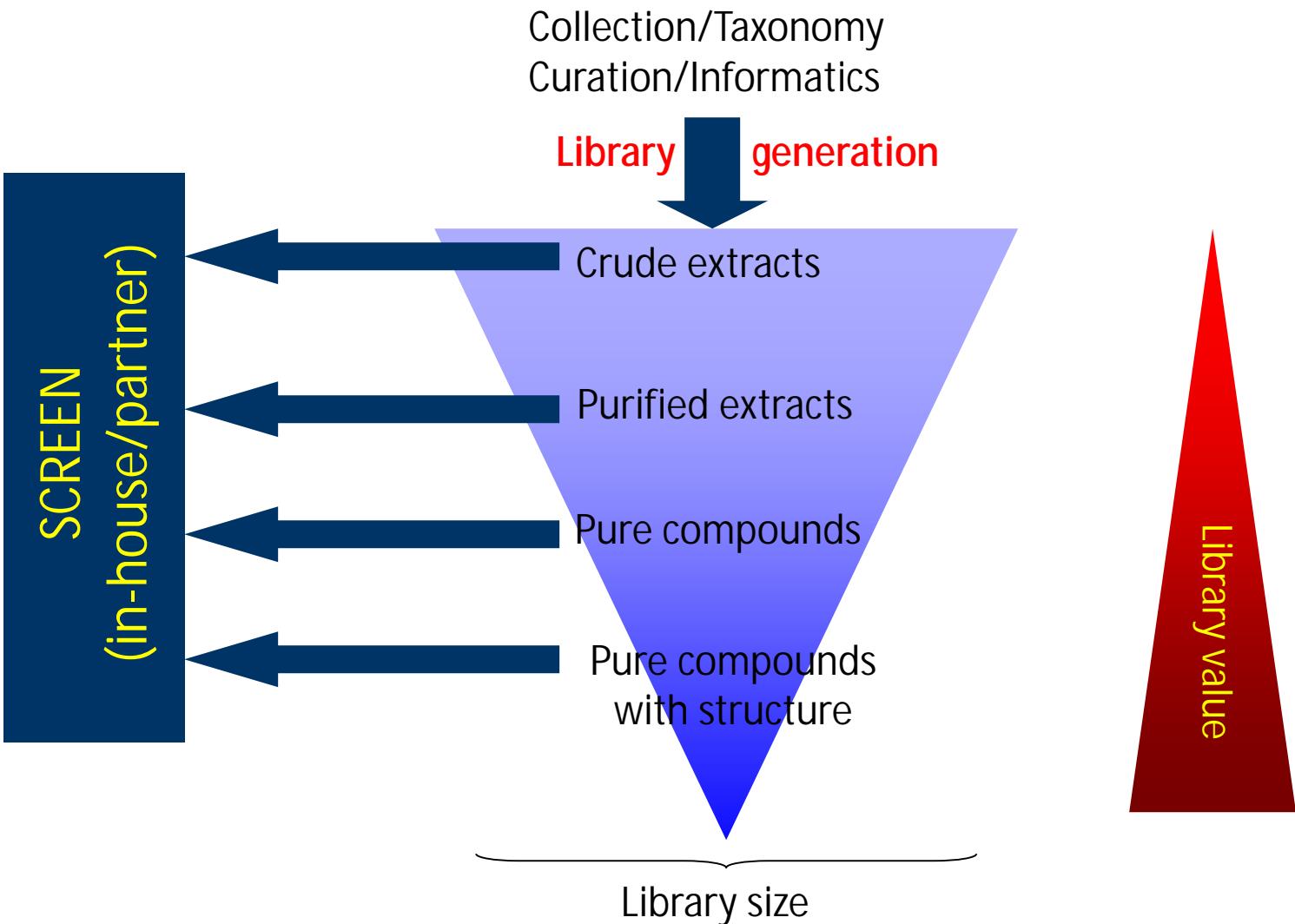
# Problems with bioassay guided isolation

- Poor assay reproducibility using crude/semi-purified extracts
- False positives/negatives
- Long times between cycles of purification/bioassay are common
- Repeated rediscovery of known compounds (bioactives)



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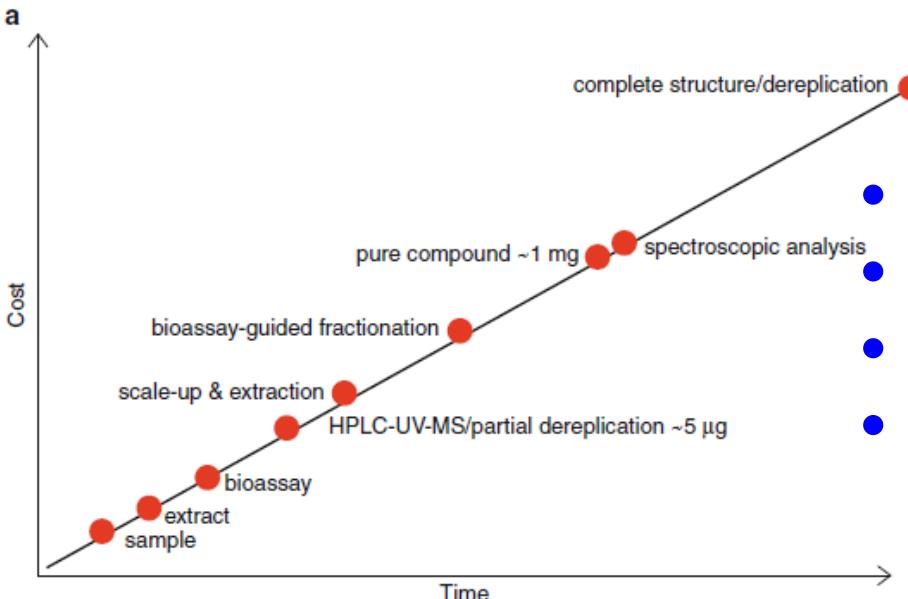
# One Solution – Compound Libraries



# Dereplication

Has your compound been reported before and  
how do you find out?

Isolation of known compounds is time consuming and costly



## Early stage dereplication

Identifying known compounds in extracts  
Prioritising samples for further work

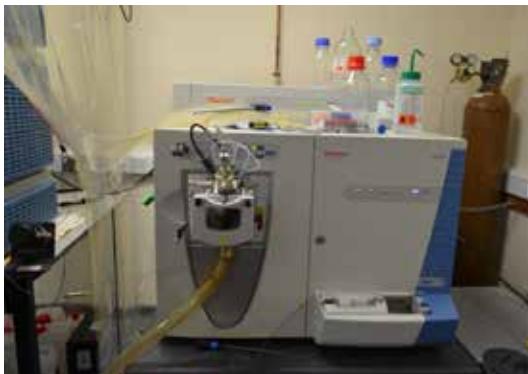
## Late stage dereplication

After compounds have been purified.

## Available databases:

- 30,000 - MarinLit (RSC)
- 36,000 - Antibase
- 50,000 – AntiMarin
- 160,000 – Dictionary of natural products

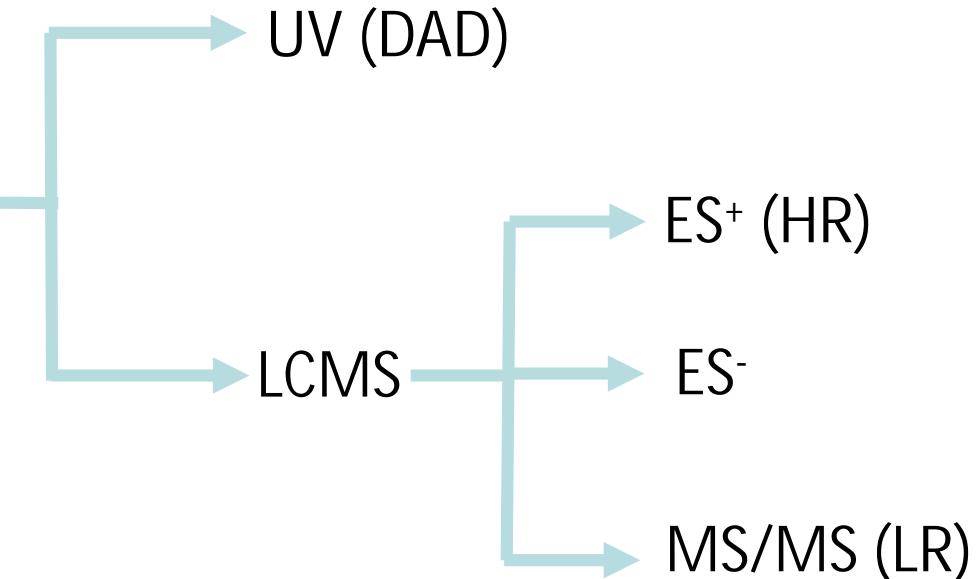
# Hyphenated Data



*Sample submission*

[Crude] = 0.5 mg/ml  
[Pure] = 0.05 mg/ml

- Coupling of LC and MS increases resolution of both LC and MS methods
  - Can monitor selected ions
  - Can monitor selected reactions
- Using high resolution, molecular formula can be determined and searched in database.
- Useful for early dereplication – at extract stage

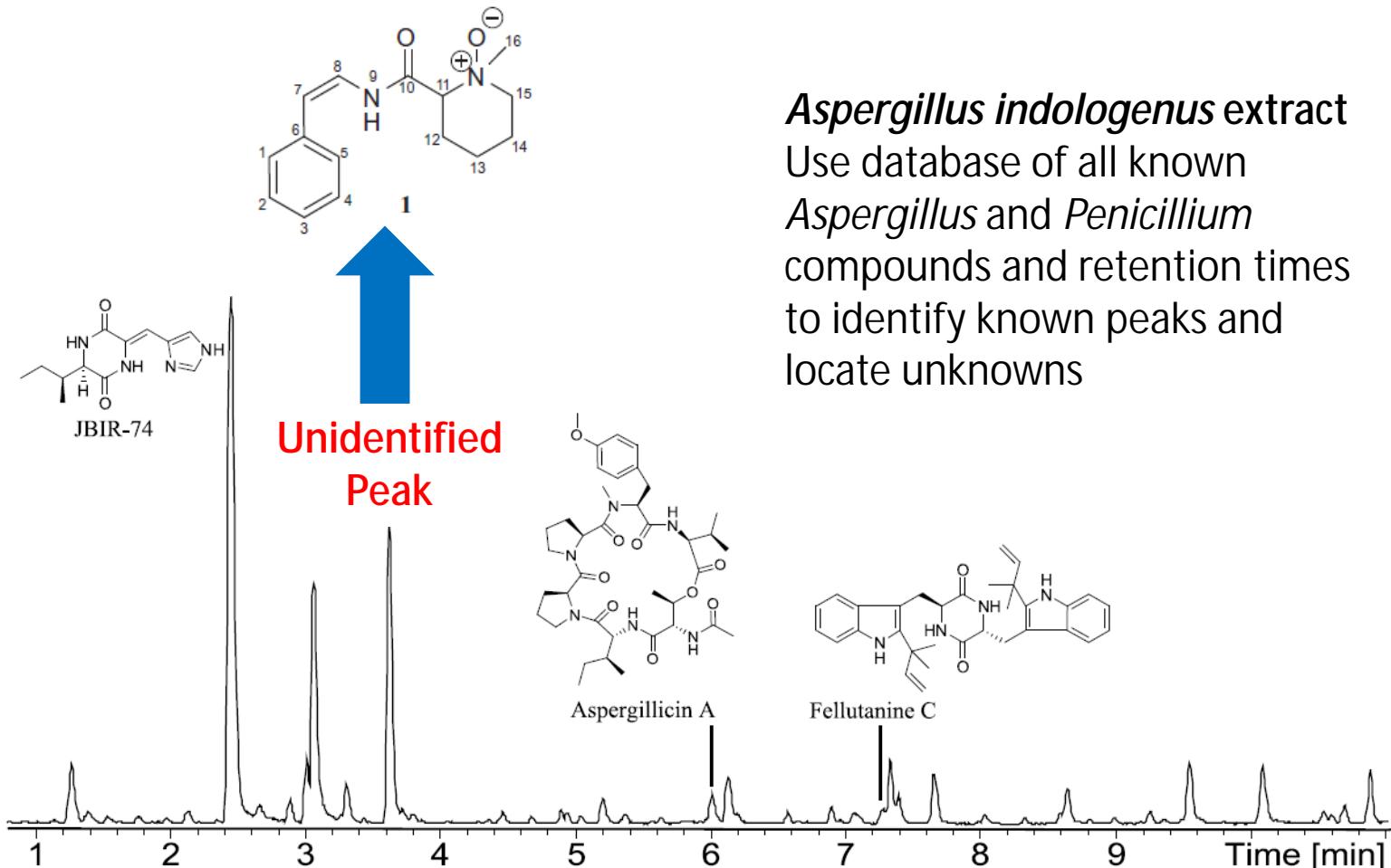




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# Targeted Dereplication

## Searching for Every Database Compound in the LC-MS

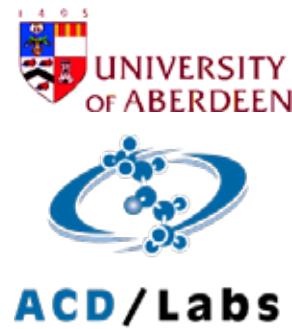




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# MBC *Streptomyces* Database

## 5070 *Streptomyces* compounds



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830	618.2485	C <sub>35</sub> H <sub>38</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	0		Auto	Capoamycin	Ref	15.7	4.0
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832	652.3617	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>44</sub> N <sub>14</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	0		Auto	Capreomycin-IB	Ref	1.26	4.0

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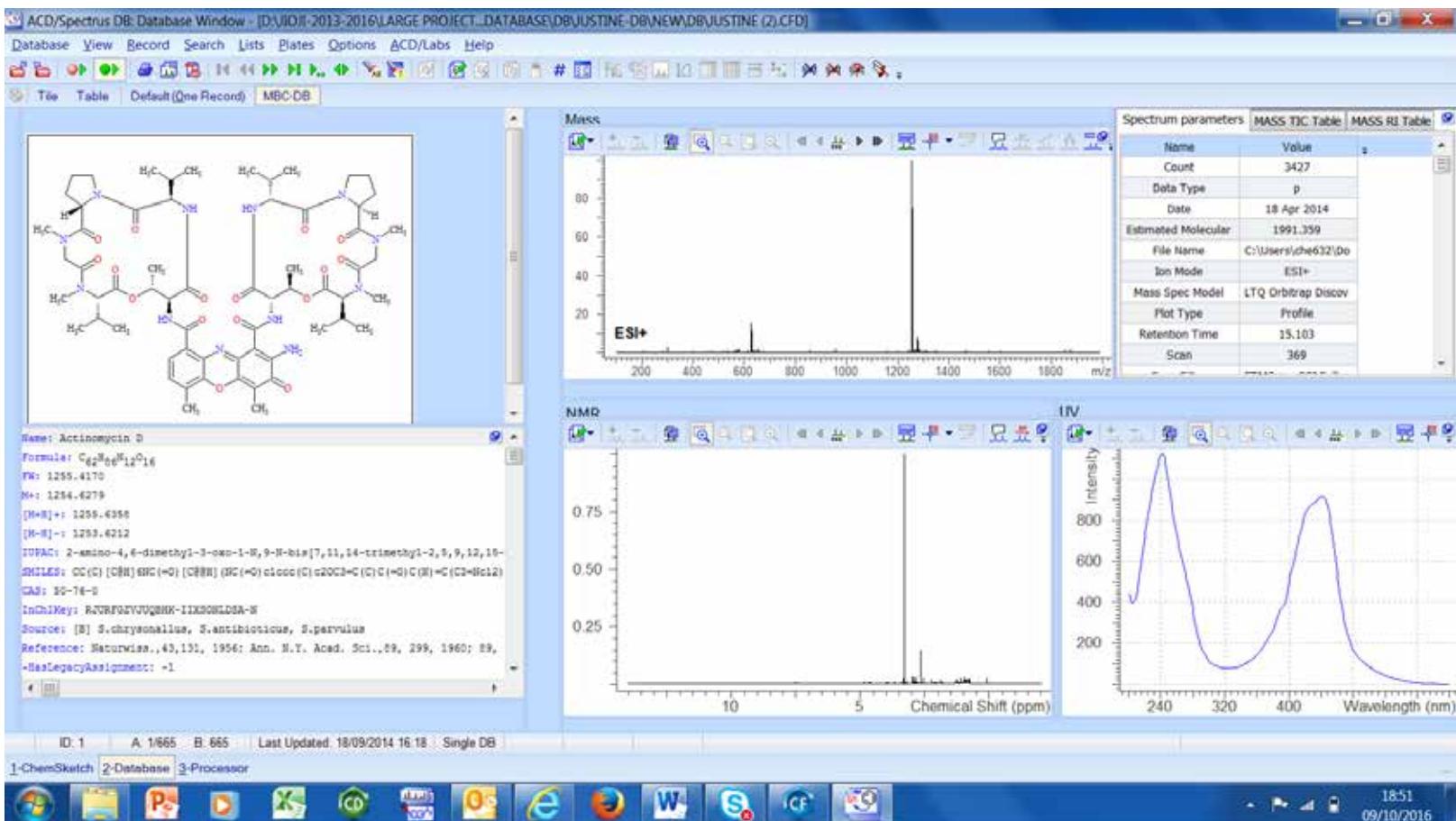
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# MBC Spectroscopic Database



665 natural products from marine and terrestrial sources representing several classes of natural products including peptides, alkaloids, terpenes and others

# Case Study

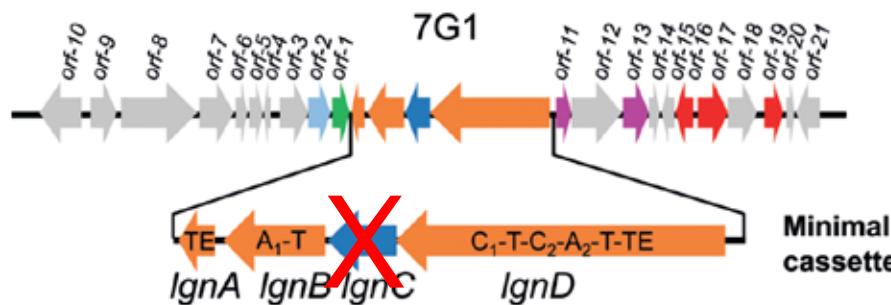
Dereplication of *Streptomyces albus*,  $\Delta IgnC$



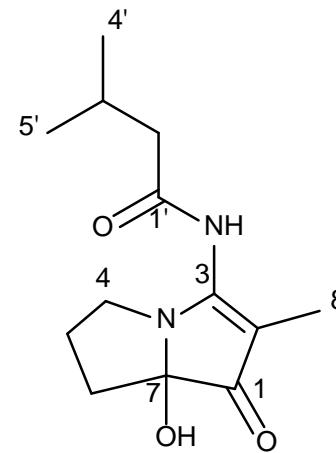
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*Streptomyces albus*



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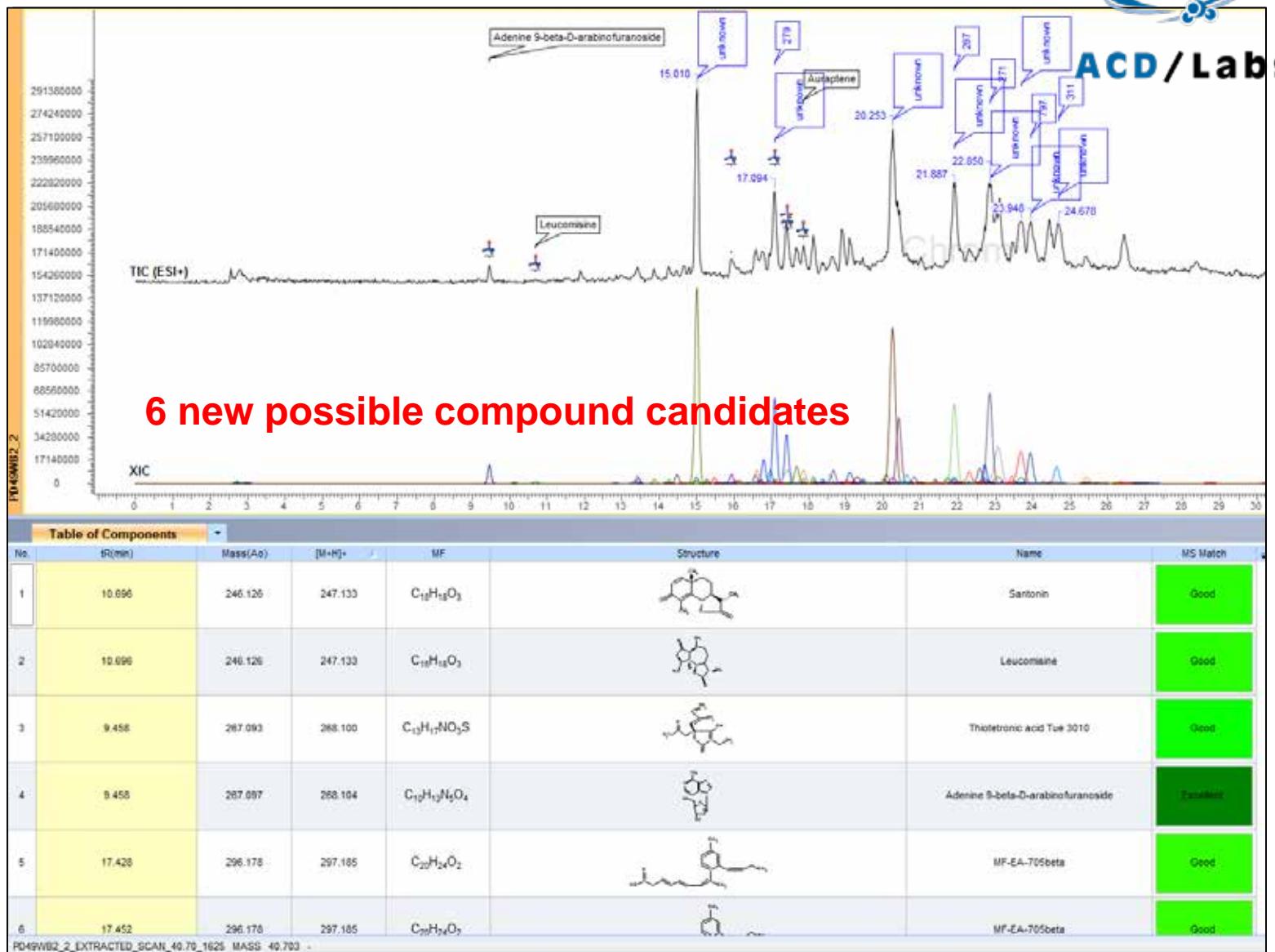


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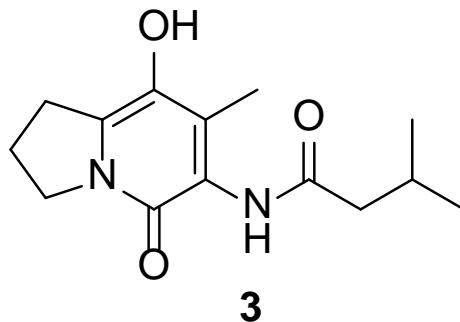
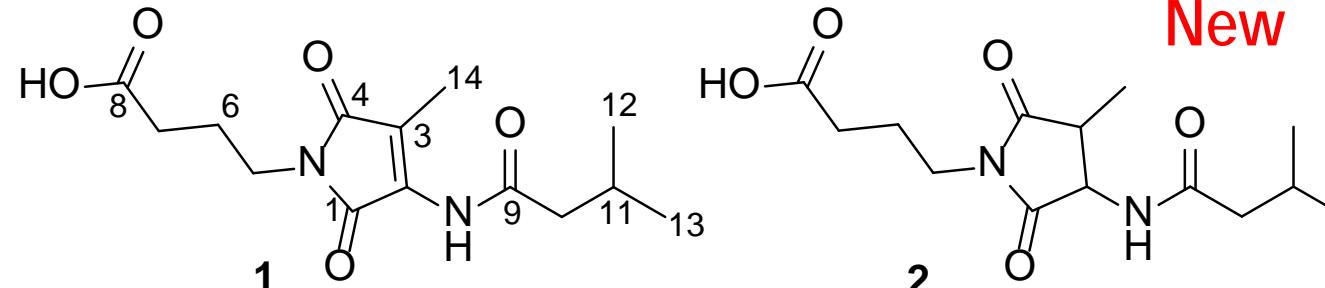


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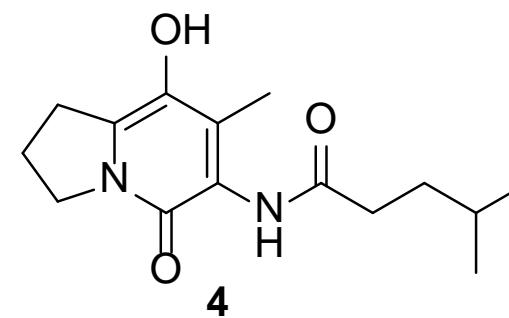
# Knowns and Unknowns



# New Compounds



Known



Known

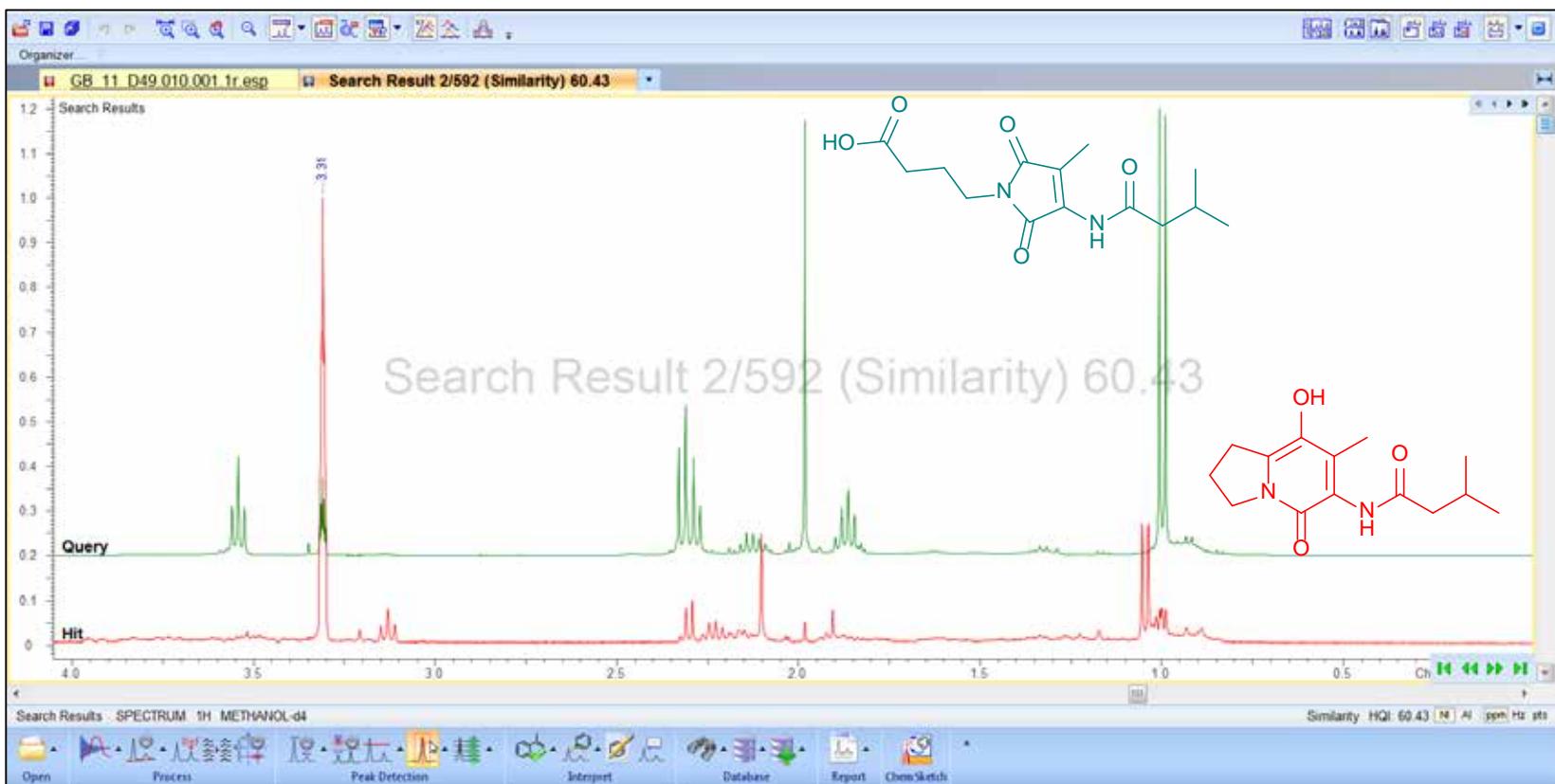


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# MBC Spectroscopic Database Similarity Match



ACD/Labs



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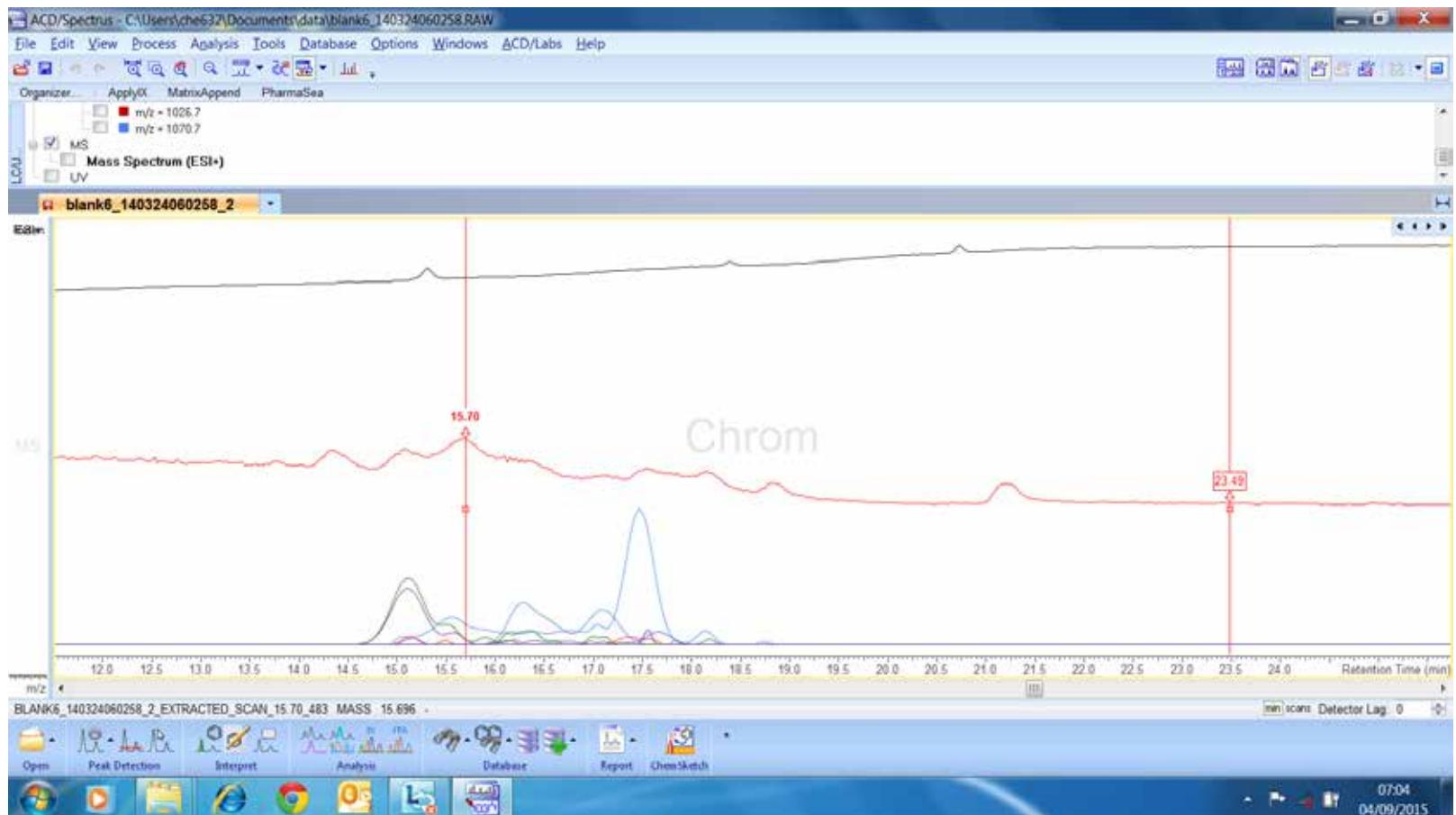
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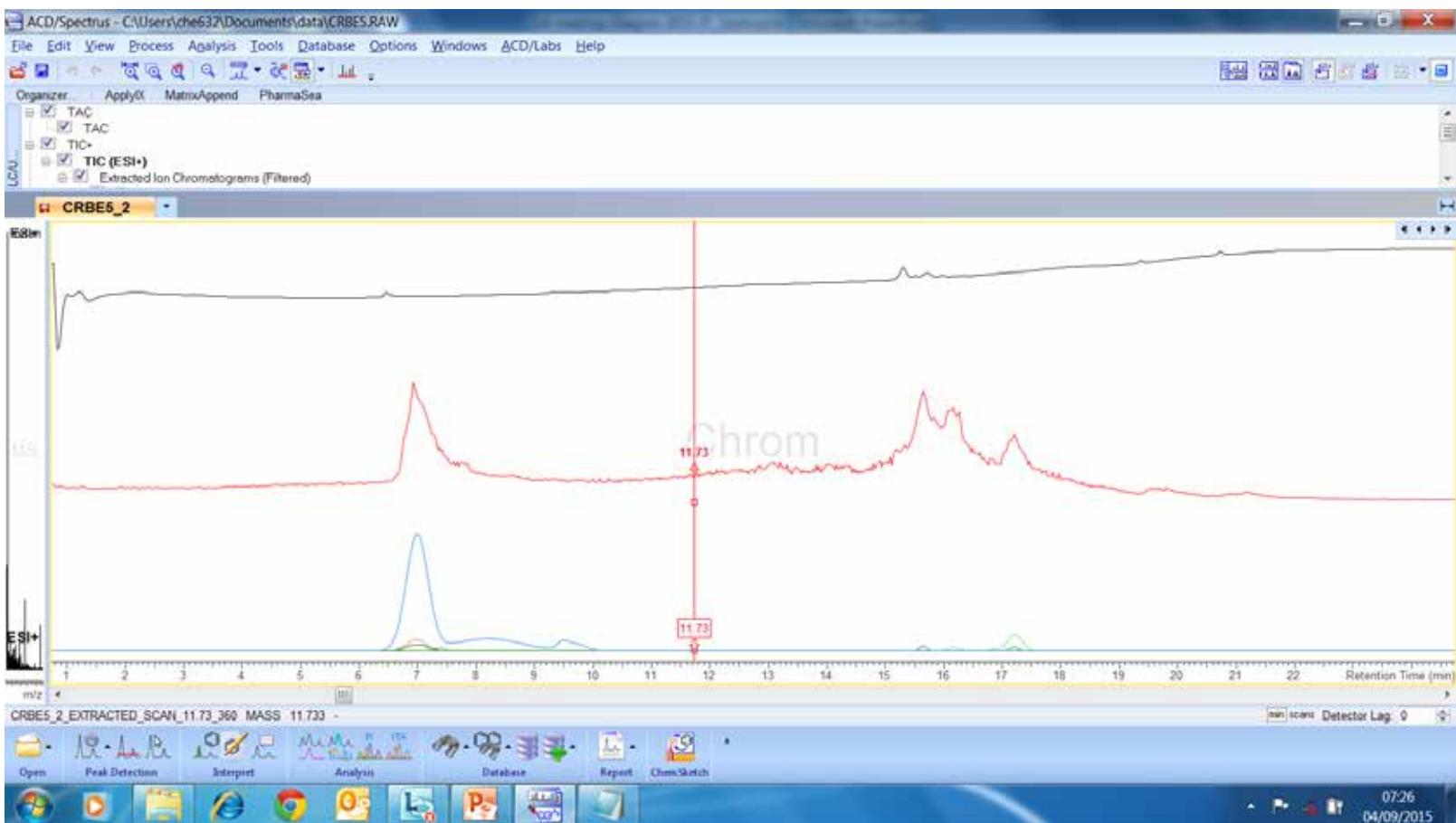
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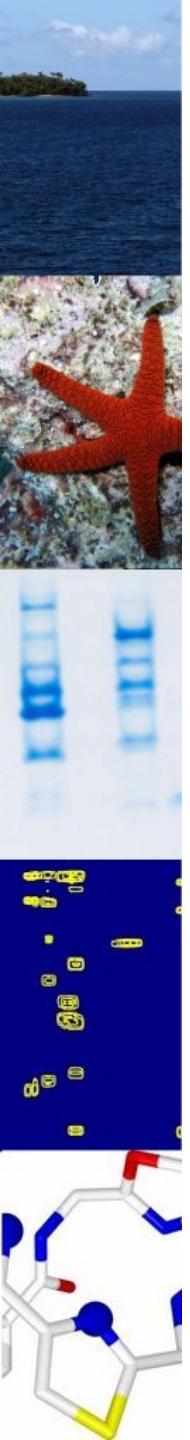
## Analysis of the Blank



# Untargeted Dereplication

Blank and Medium Removed

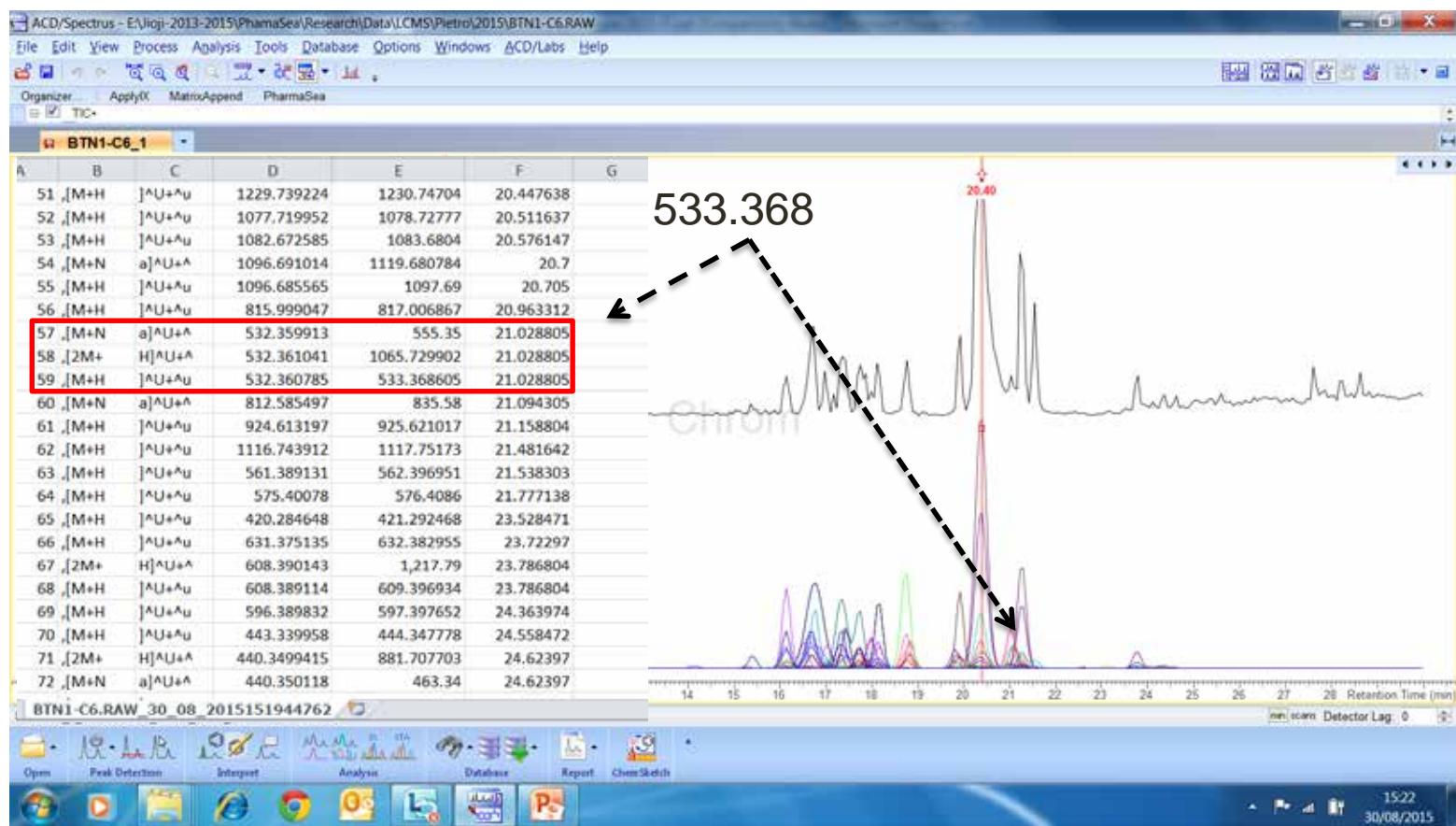




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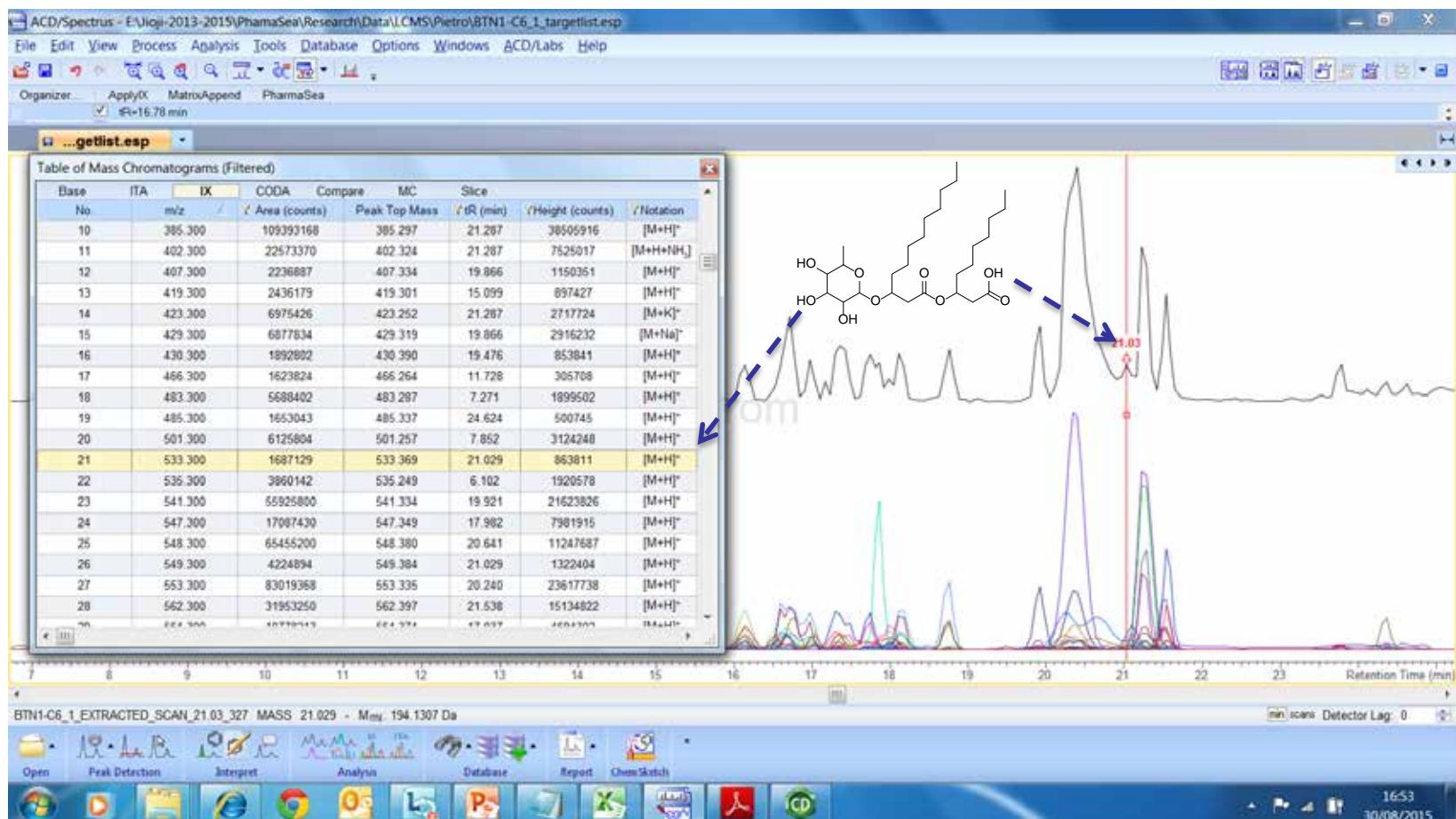
# Untargeted Dereplication

Blank, Medium and PharmaSea Database  
(28,000 compounds) removed



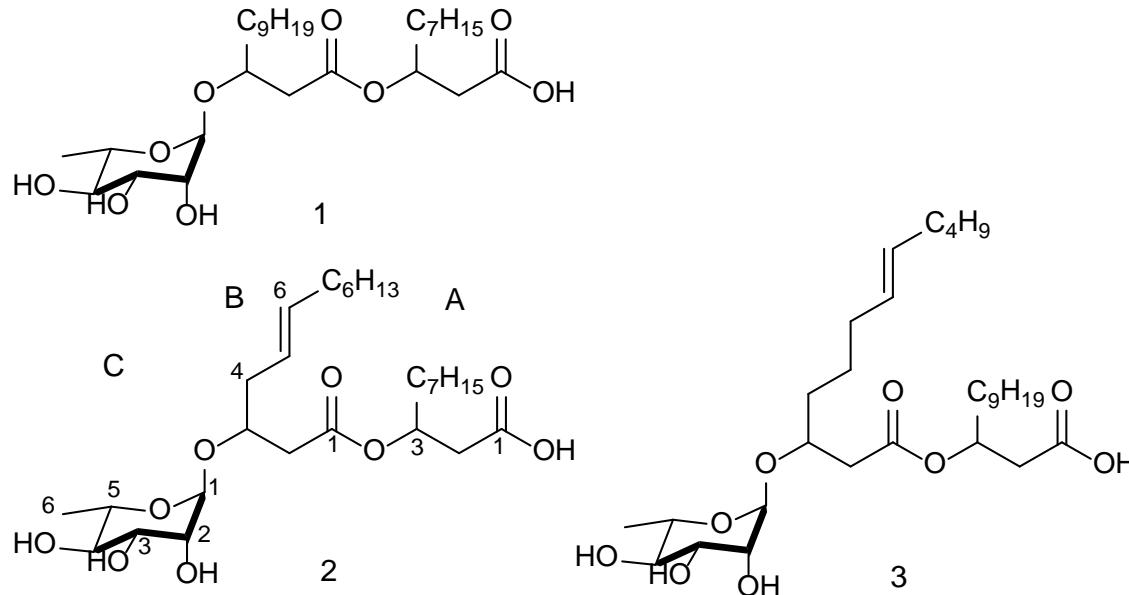
# Untargeted Dereplication

After Removal of Blank/Medium/Knowns,  
Remainder are New Compounds



# Monorhamnolipids

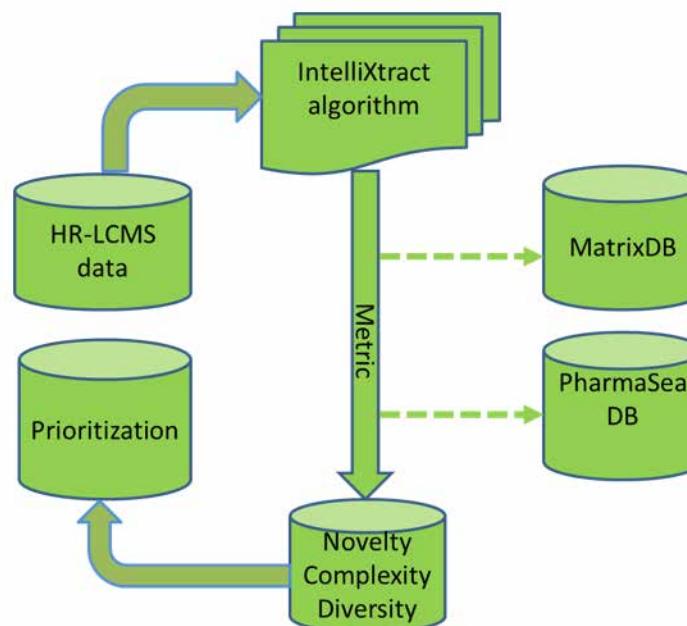
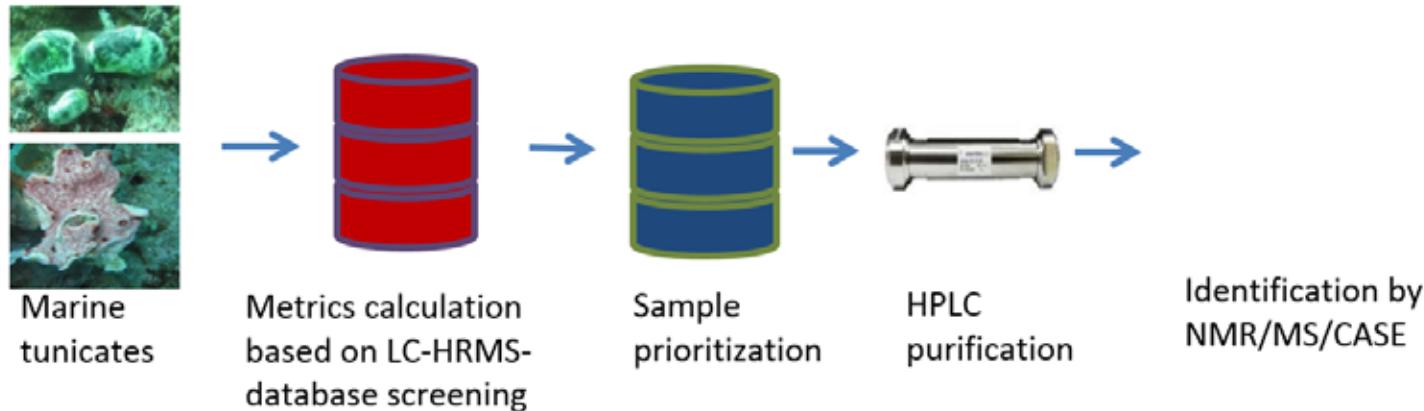
## Activity Against *Burkholderia*

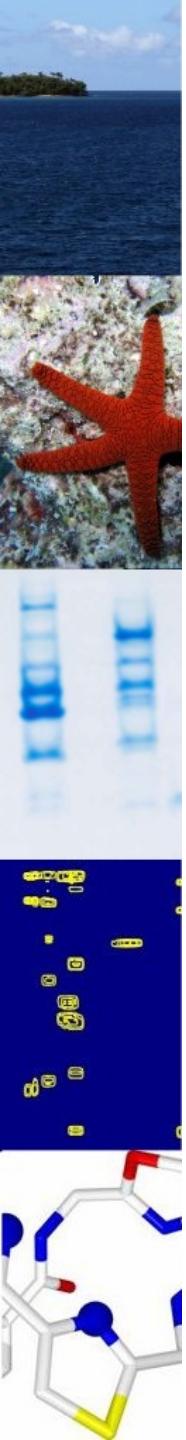


Antimicrobial Activity ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )

	<i>B. cenocepacia</i> LMG 16656		<i>B. metallica</i> LMG 24068		<i>B. seminalis</i> LMG 24067		<i>B. diffusa</i> LMG 24065		<i>B. latens</i> LMG 24064		<i>S. aureus</i> 6538P	
	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC	MIC	MBC
C1	3.12	3.12	50	50	12.5	12.5	>200	>200	12.5	12.5	1.56	1.56
C2	3.12	3.12	25	25	3.12	3.12	200	200	12.5	12.5	3.12	3.12
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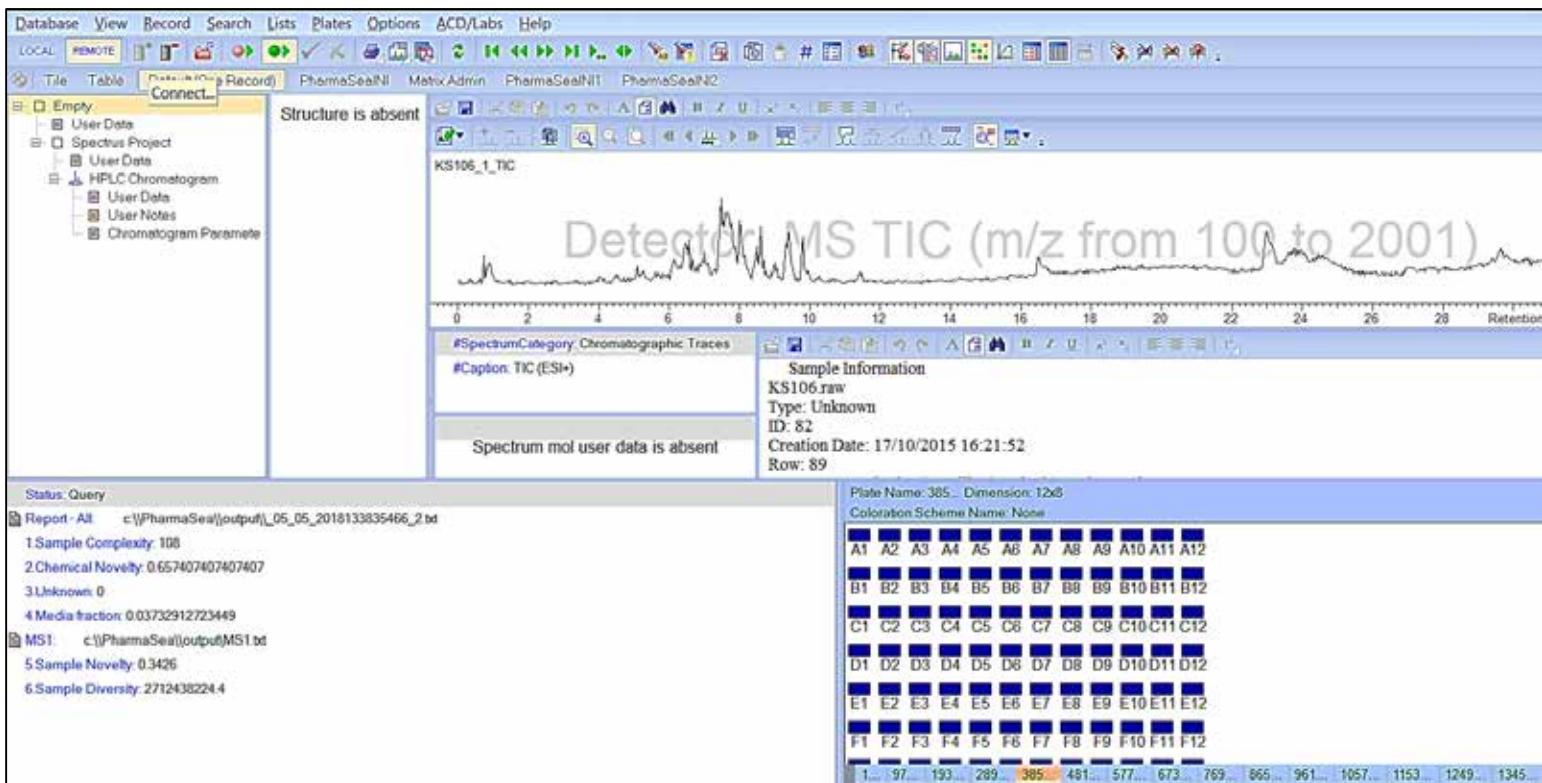
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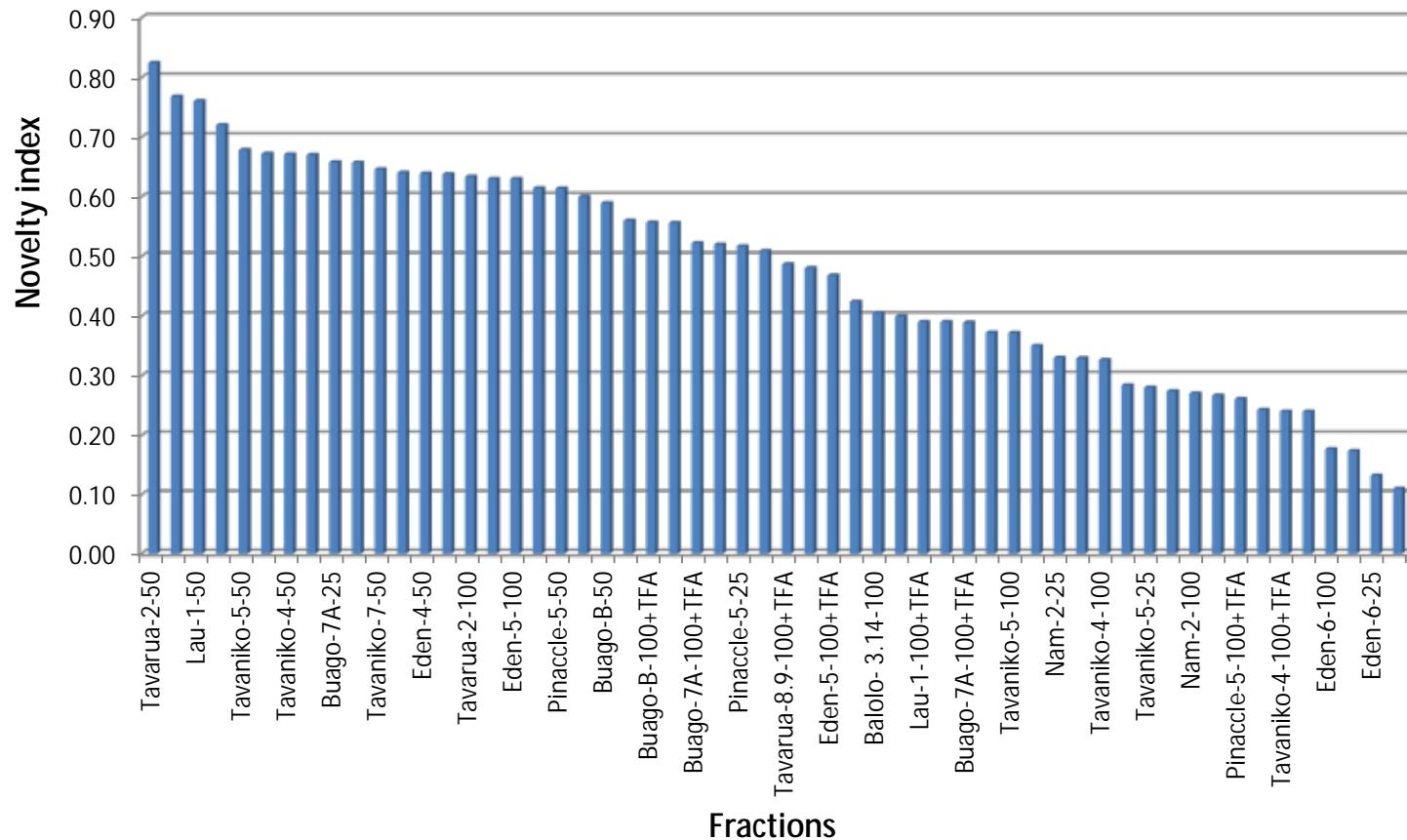
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# Novelty for Fijian Invertebrate Extracts

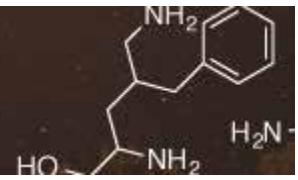


# New Compound Discovered

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No	Sample code	SPE fract	Sample complexity	Chemical novelty	Sample Media c	Sample novelty	Sample diversity
1	Tavarua-2	50	74	0.82	3.30E-02	0.17	2.52E+09
2	Tavarua-8.9	100	69	0.77	2.87E-02	0.23	2.53E+09
3	Lau-1	50	79	0.76	3.20E-02	0.24	9.08E+09

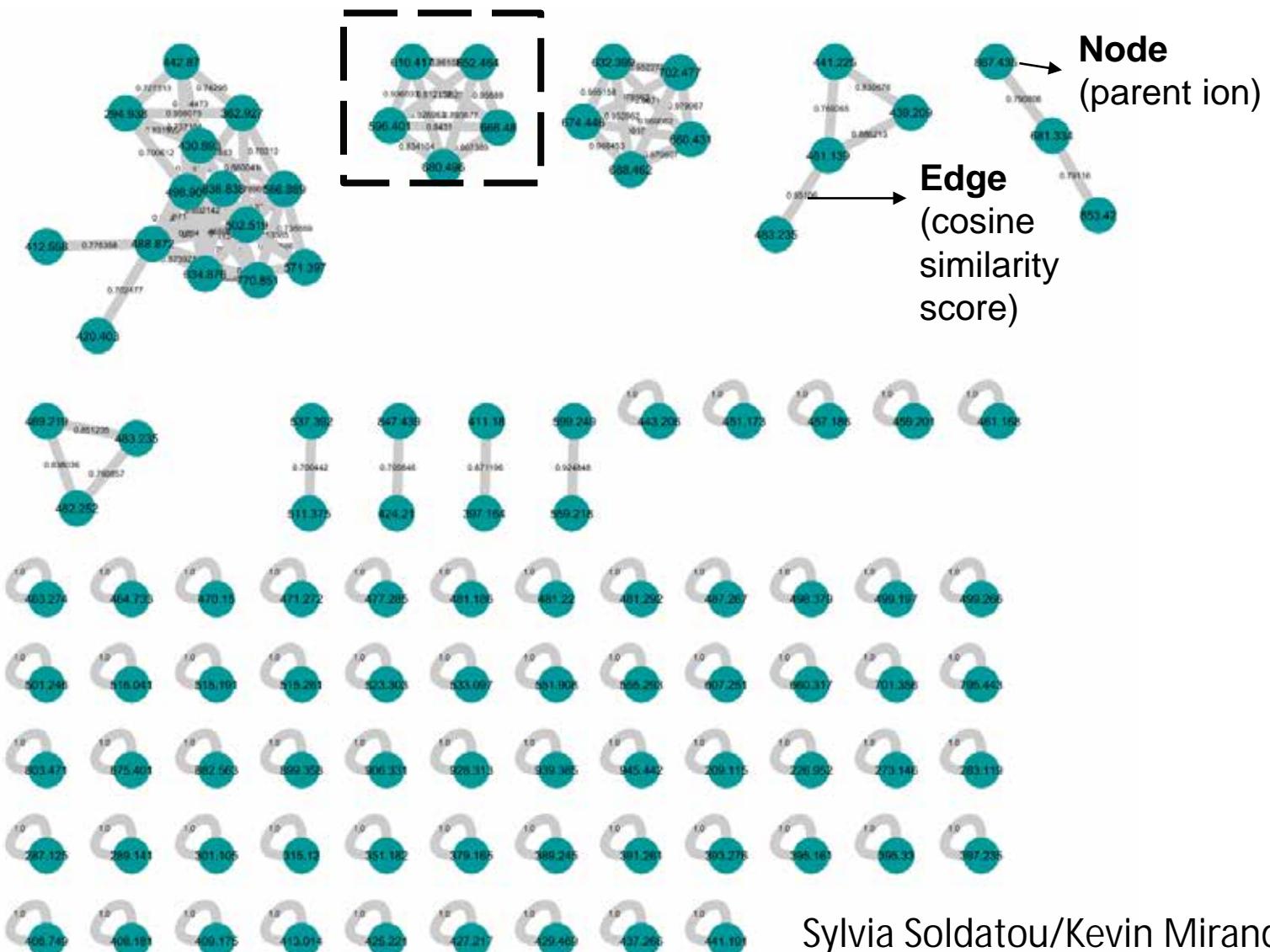


- Analysis MS/MS data is time consuming
- No publicly available dereplication databases

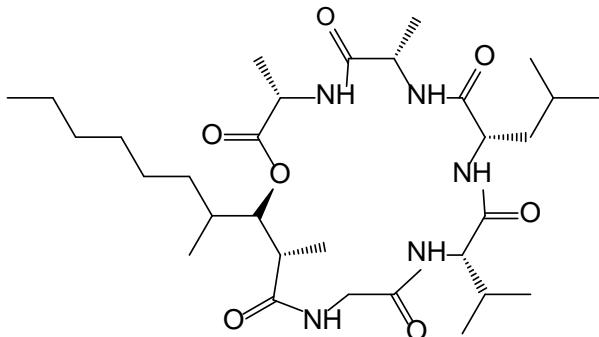
## GNPS

- Compares fragmentation patterns
- Clusters compounds with similar fragmentation patterns based on similarity
- Dereplication by comparing newly generated MS/MS data with deposited data

# Molecular Network of Marine Endophytic *Aspergillus* sp. Extract

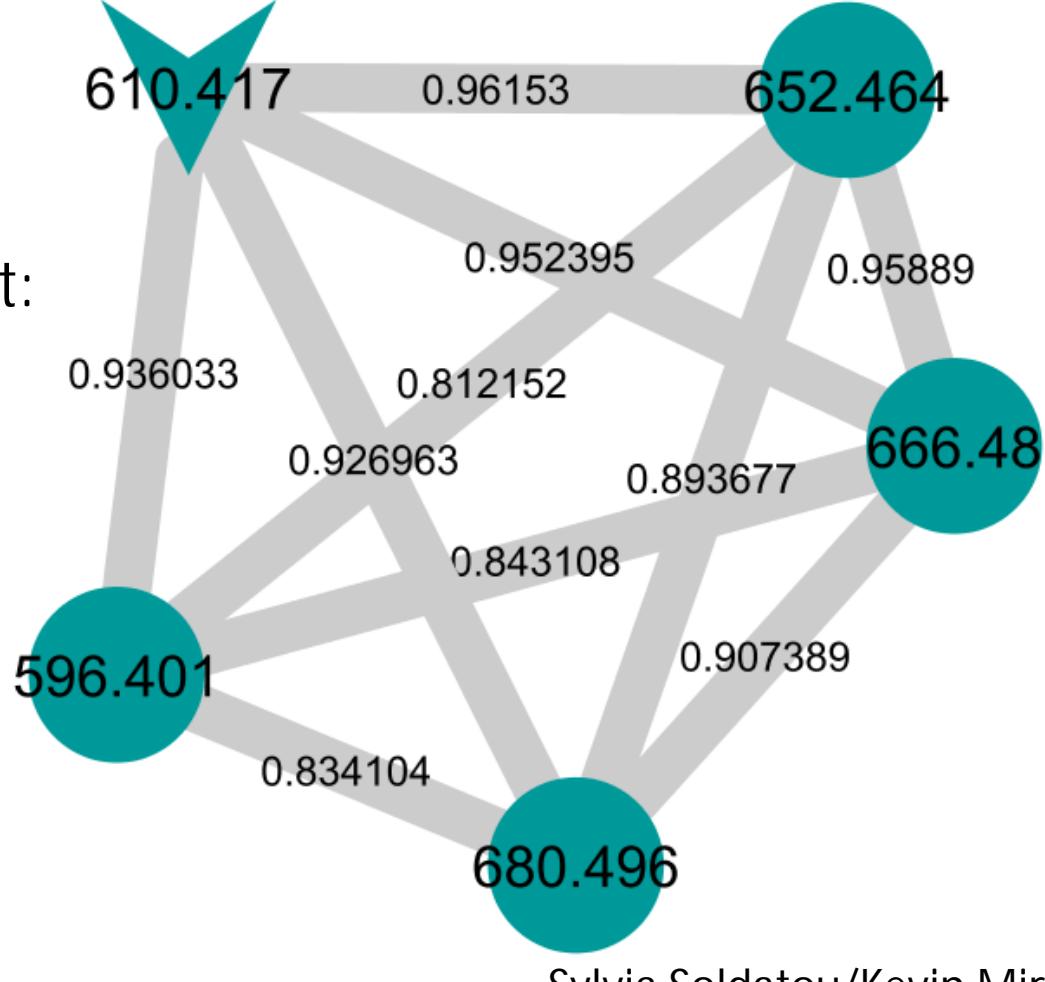


# Molecular Network of Marine Endophytic *Aspergillus* sp. Extract



GNPS spectral library hit:  
Emericellamide A  
Confirmed by MS-MS  
Fragmentation

Circles: potentially new  
analogues

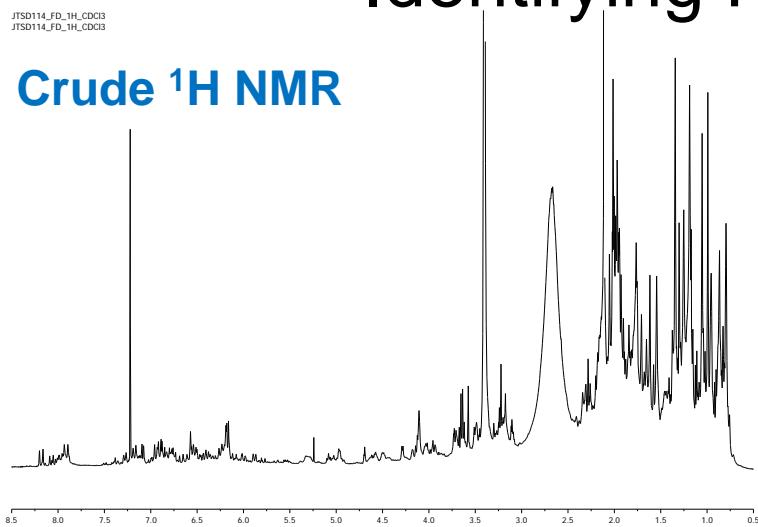


# Late Stage Dereplication

## From Prioritising Crude Extract to Identifying Pure Compound

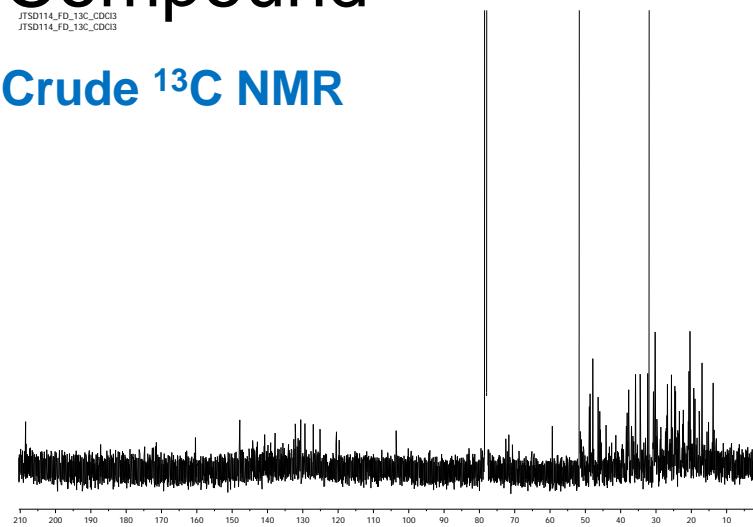
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Crude  $^1\text{H}$  NMR

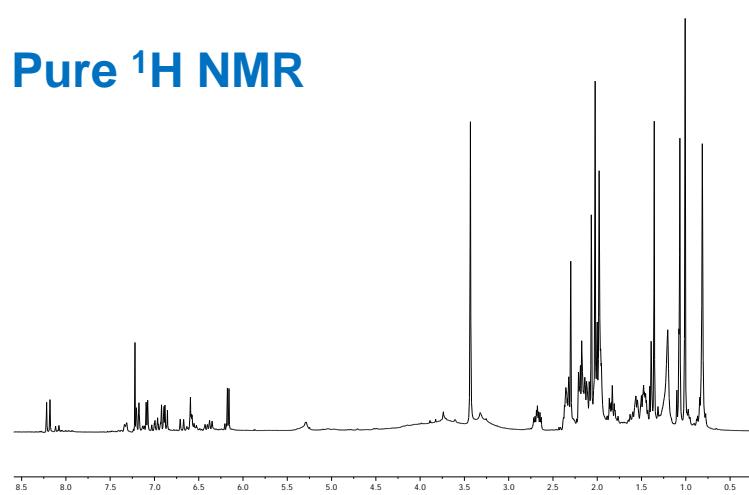


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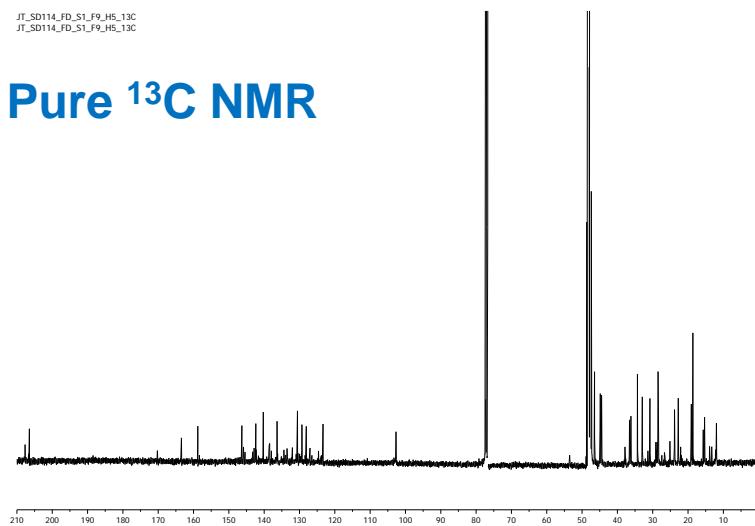
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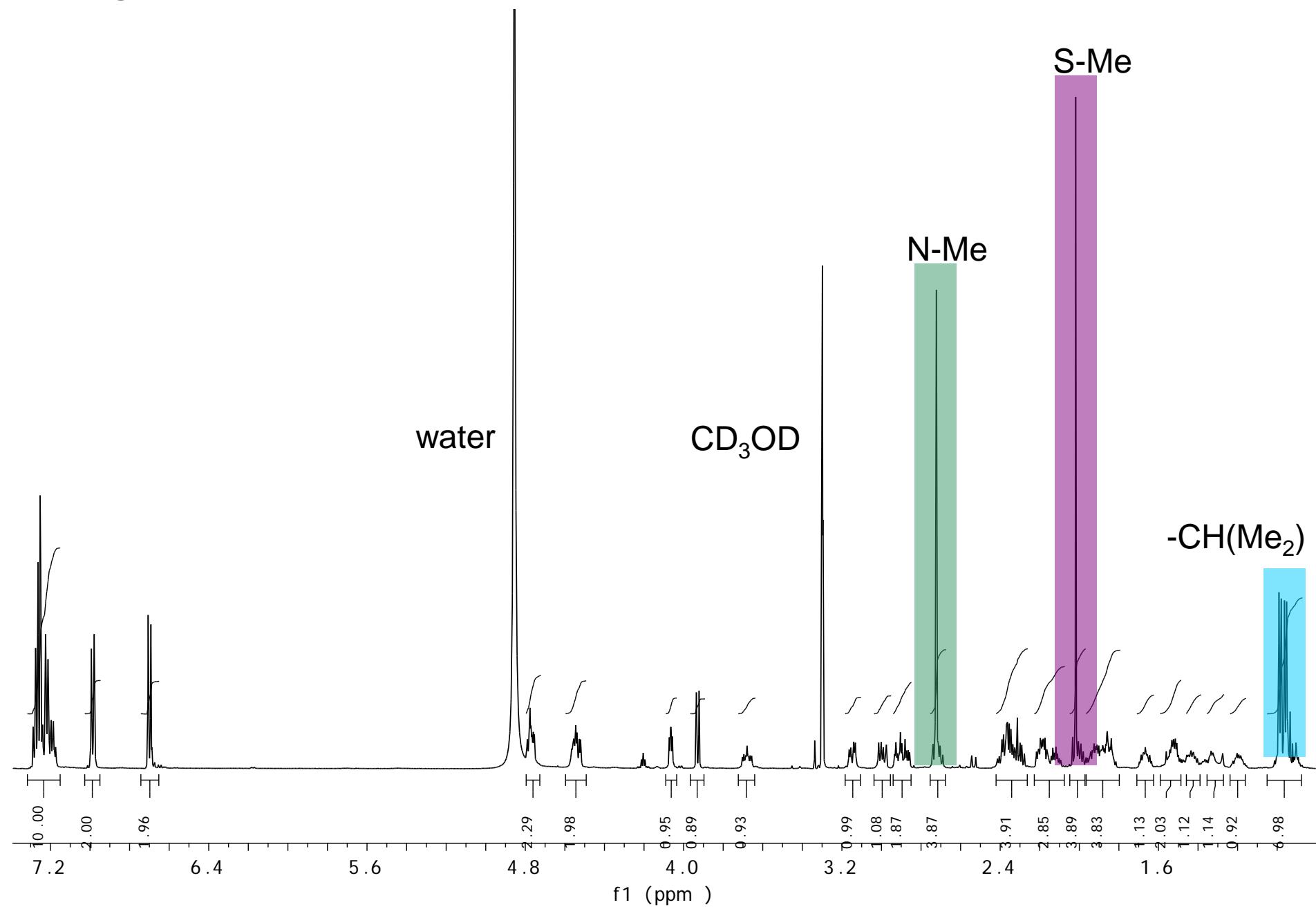
Pure  $^1\text{H}$  NMR



Pure  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR



# Using Simple Features



Simple search Structure search Advanced search

**Structure**

**Monoisotopic Mass**

Functional groups

**Functional group search guidelines**  
Insert number or range (e.g. 1-3) of each type of functional group. To exclude a functional group, set the number to 0. Fields left blank will be included in matches. See Help for further details.

**Carbon skeleton**

sp<sup>3</sup> carbons

Total methyl groups (includes methoxyl, N-methyl, S-methyl and acetyl)

Singlet methyl ( $R_3C-CH_3$ )  Doublet methyl ( $R_2HC-CH_3$ )  2 Triplet methyl ( $RH_2C-CH_3$ )

Aromatic methyl  Vinyl methyl ( $C=CH-CH_3$ )  Acetyl (including acetyl ester and acetyl amide)

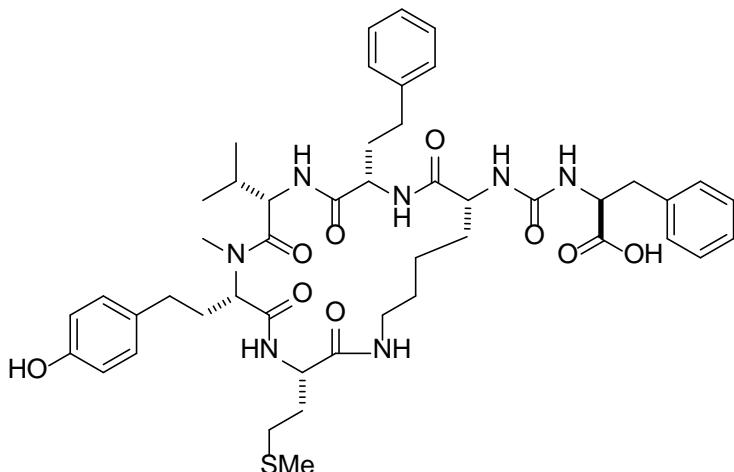
Methoxy (- $OC_3H_7$ )  N-methyl (- $NC_3H_7$ )  1 S-methyl (- $SC_3H_7$ )

Results [2]

#	Structure	Molecular Formula	Molecular Weight	Monoisotopic Mass
69493		$C_{21}H_{26}N_2O_5S$	502.110	501.440796
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10  50  40  30  20 

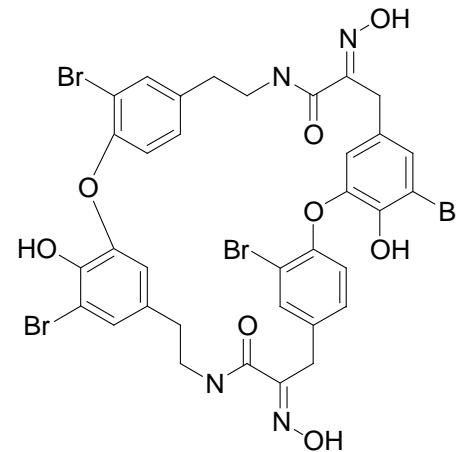
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# Chemical Structure

## 2D Framework

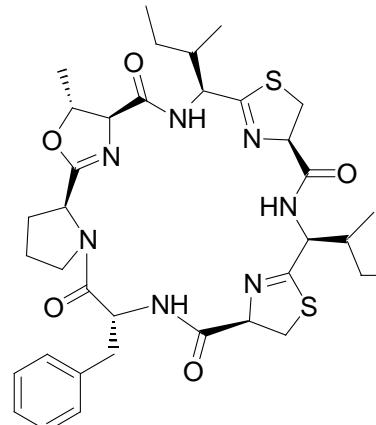
- 1 Carbon skeleton
- 2 Functional groups
- 3 Location of functional groups



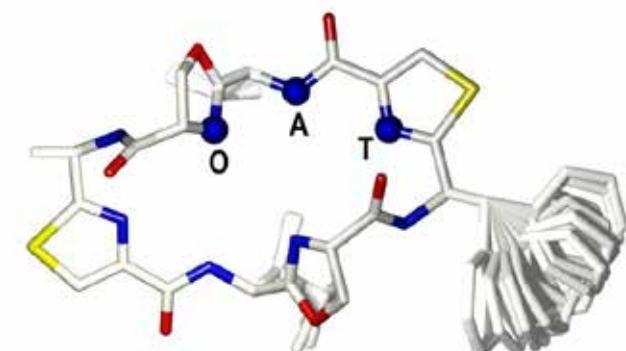
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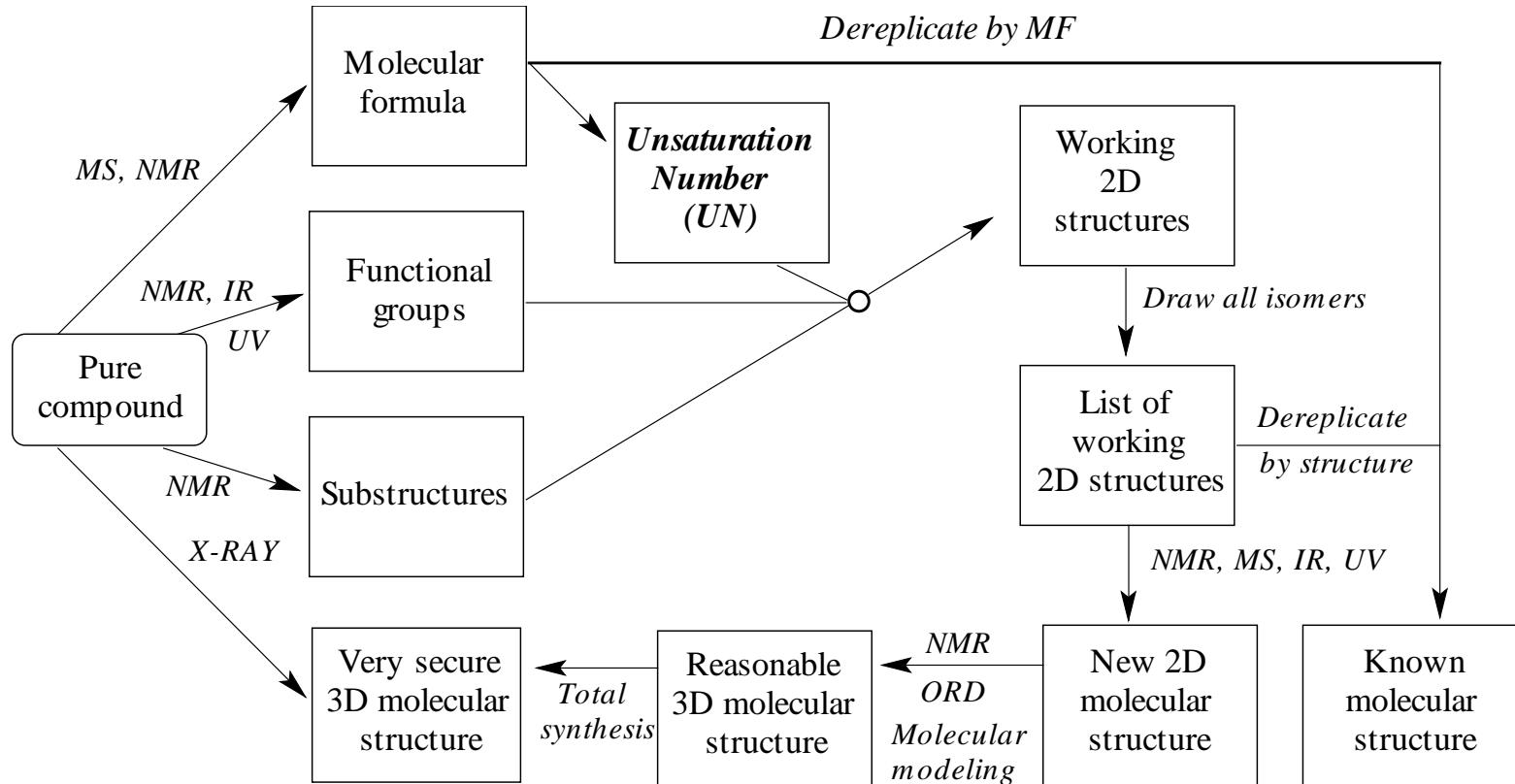
- 1 Relative stereo
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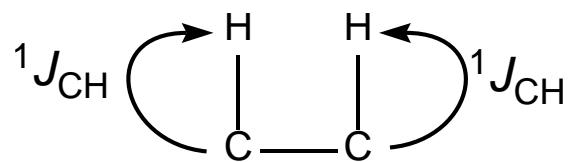
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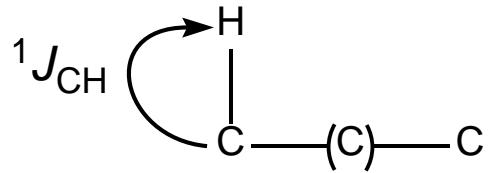
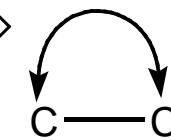
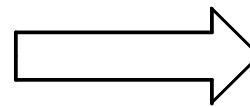
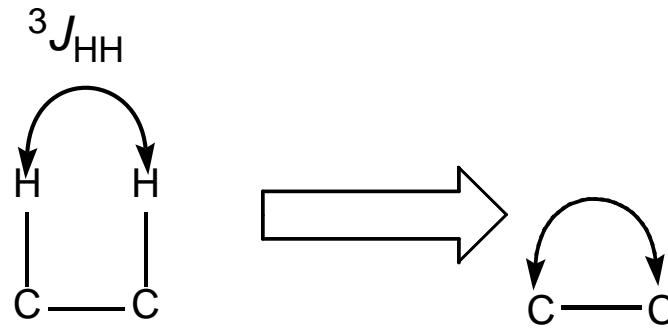
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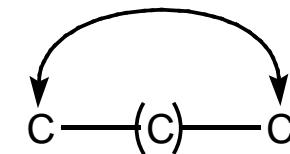
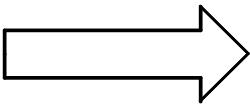
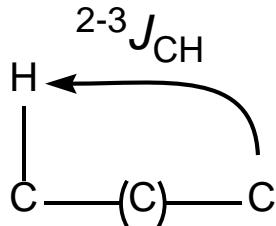
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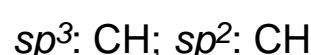
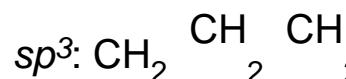
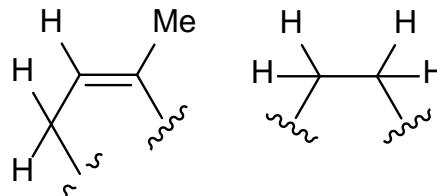
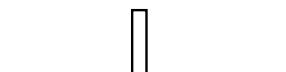
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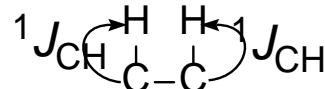
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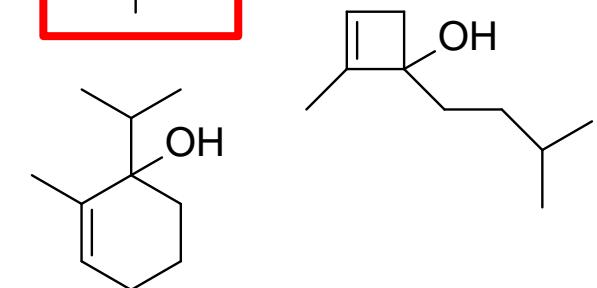
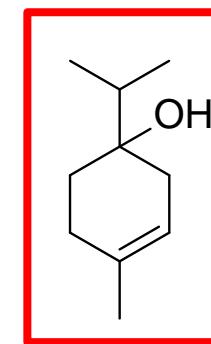
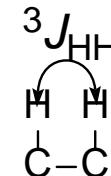


1.) Obtain C/H pairs from HSQC

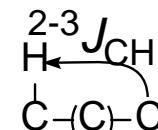


2.) Determine functional groups  
(NMR, IR etc)

3.) Generate substructures

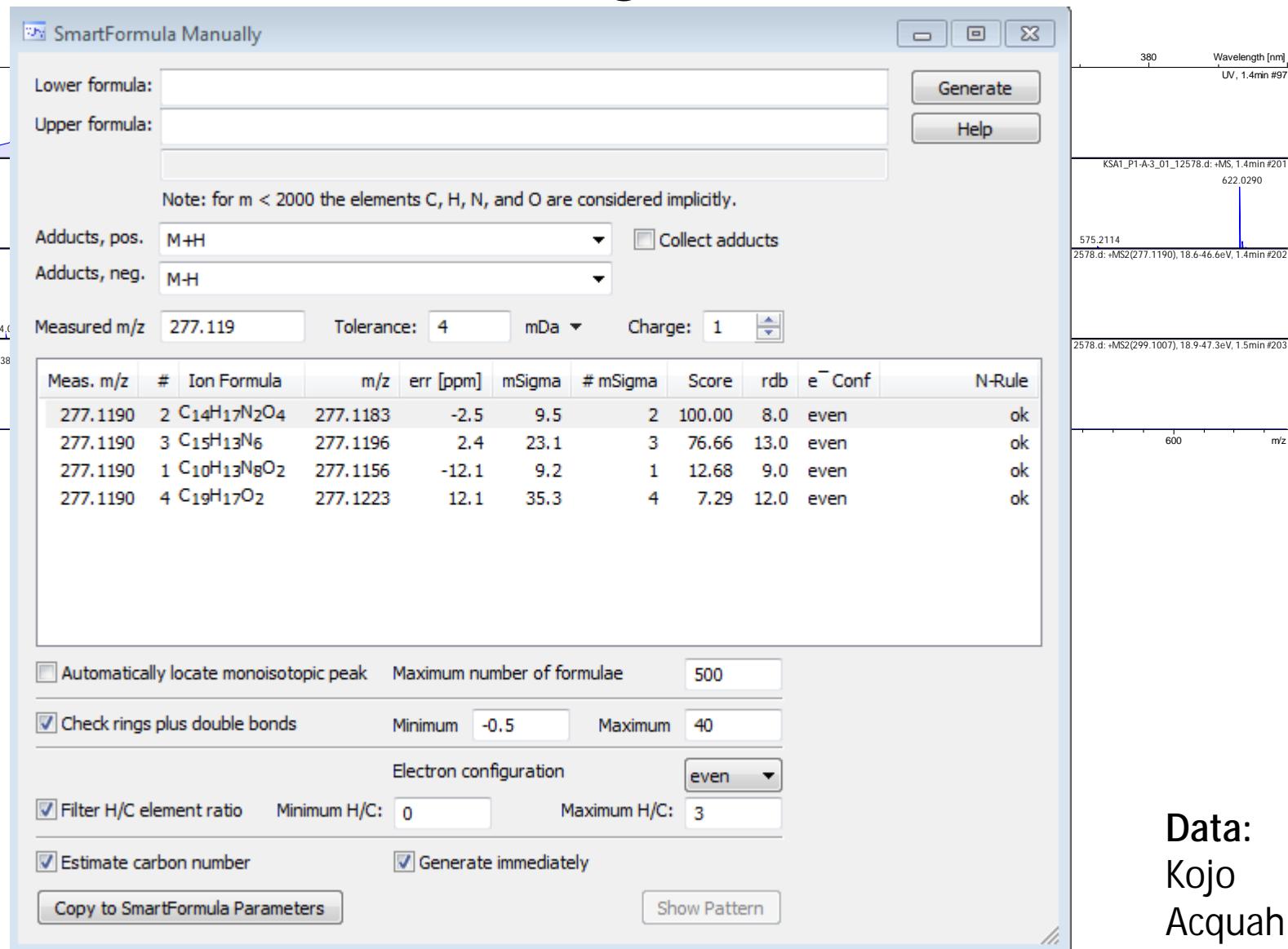


4.) Assemble working structures



5.) Make structural proposal

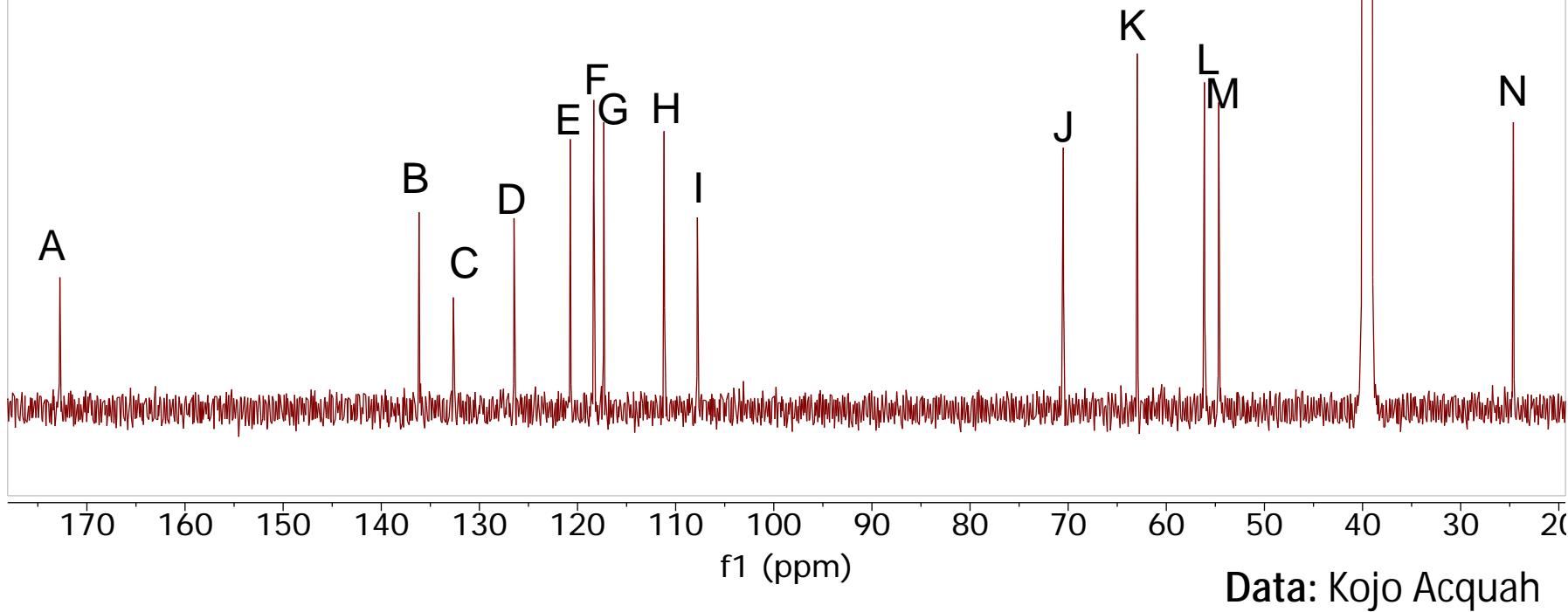
# Determining the MF



Data:  
Kojo  
Acquah

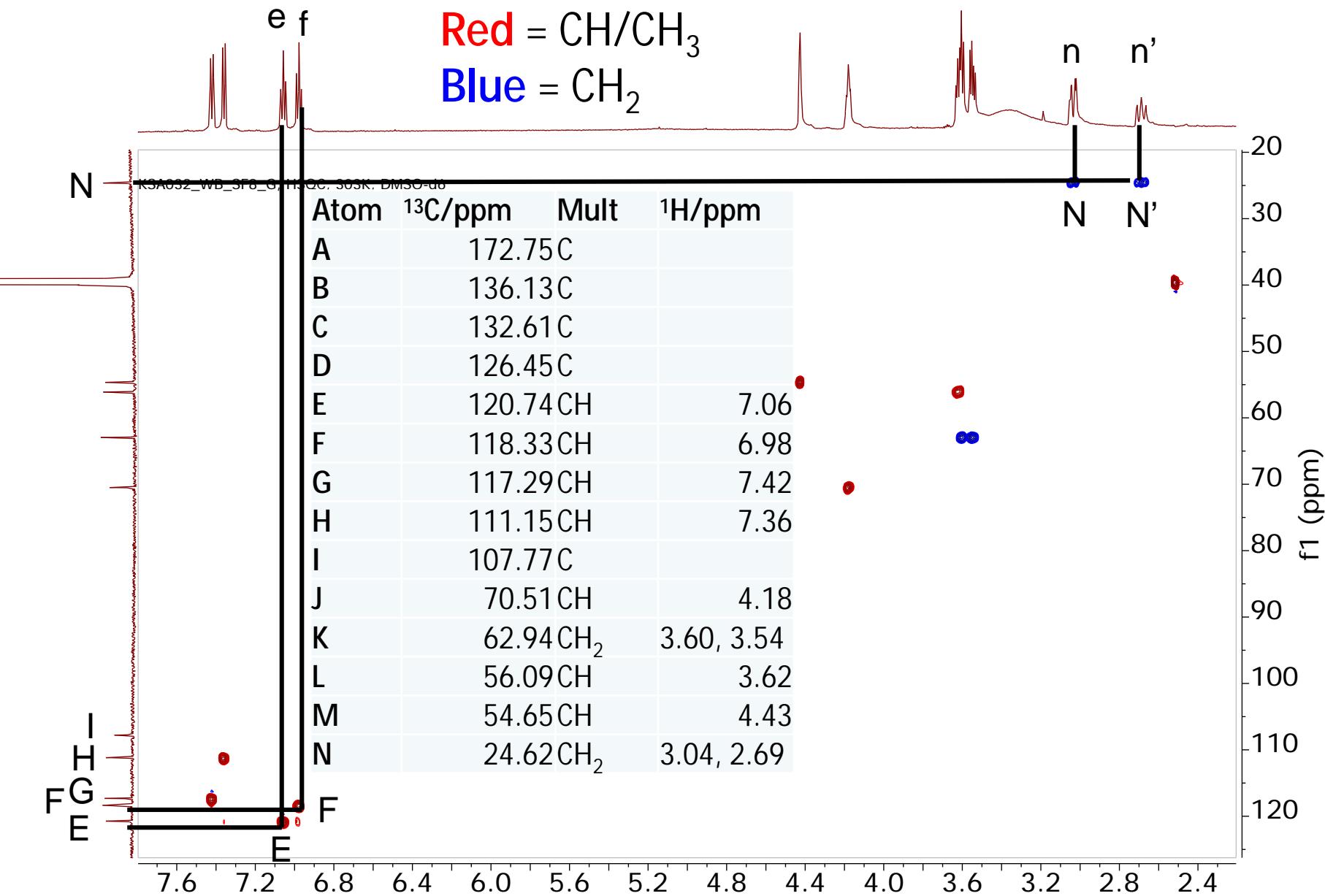
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C	132.61
D	126.45
E	120.74
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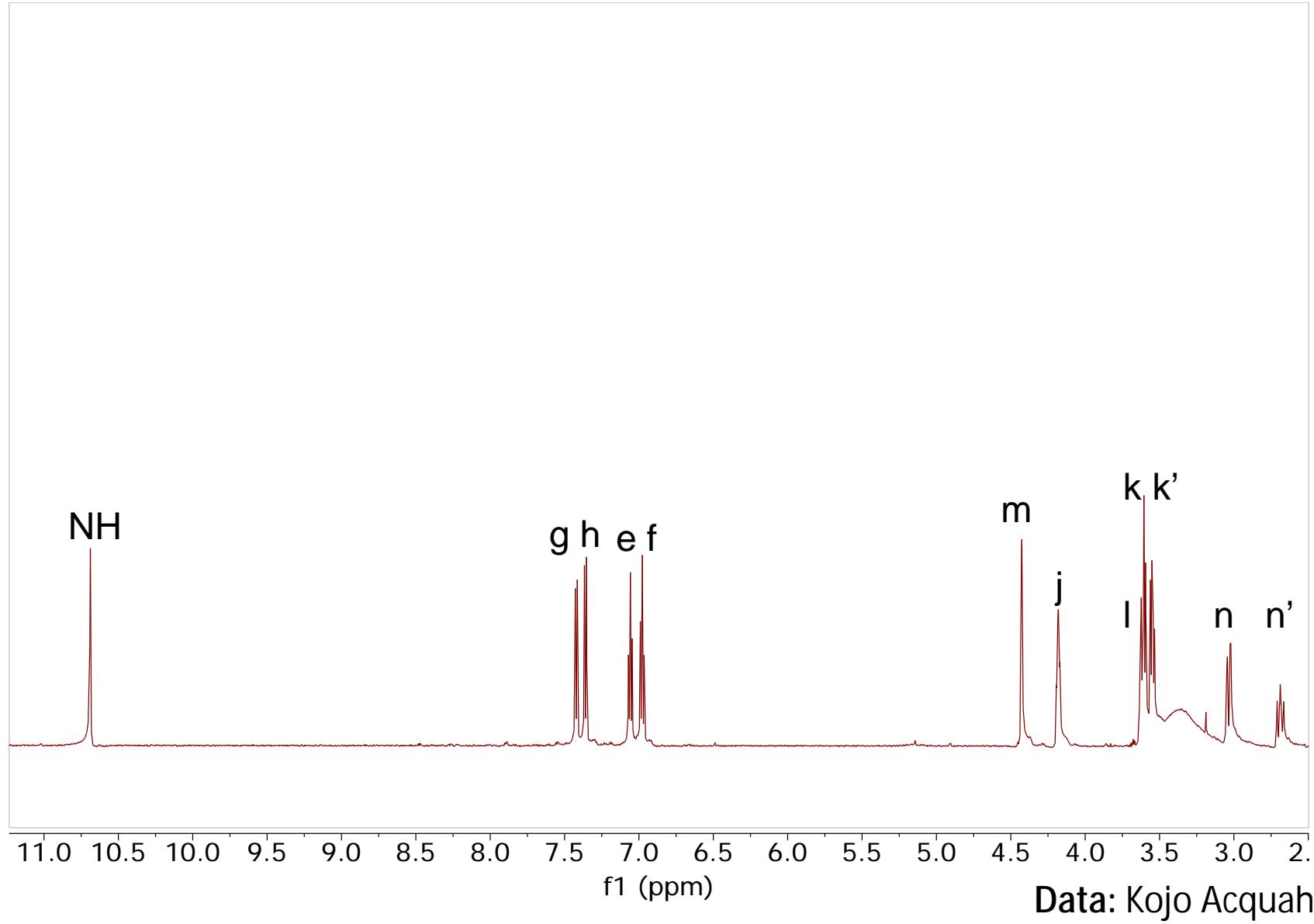


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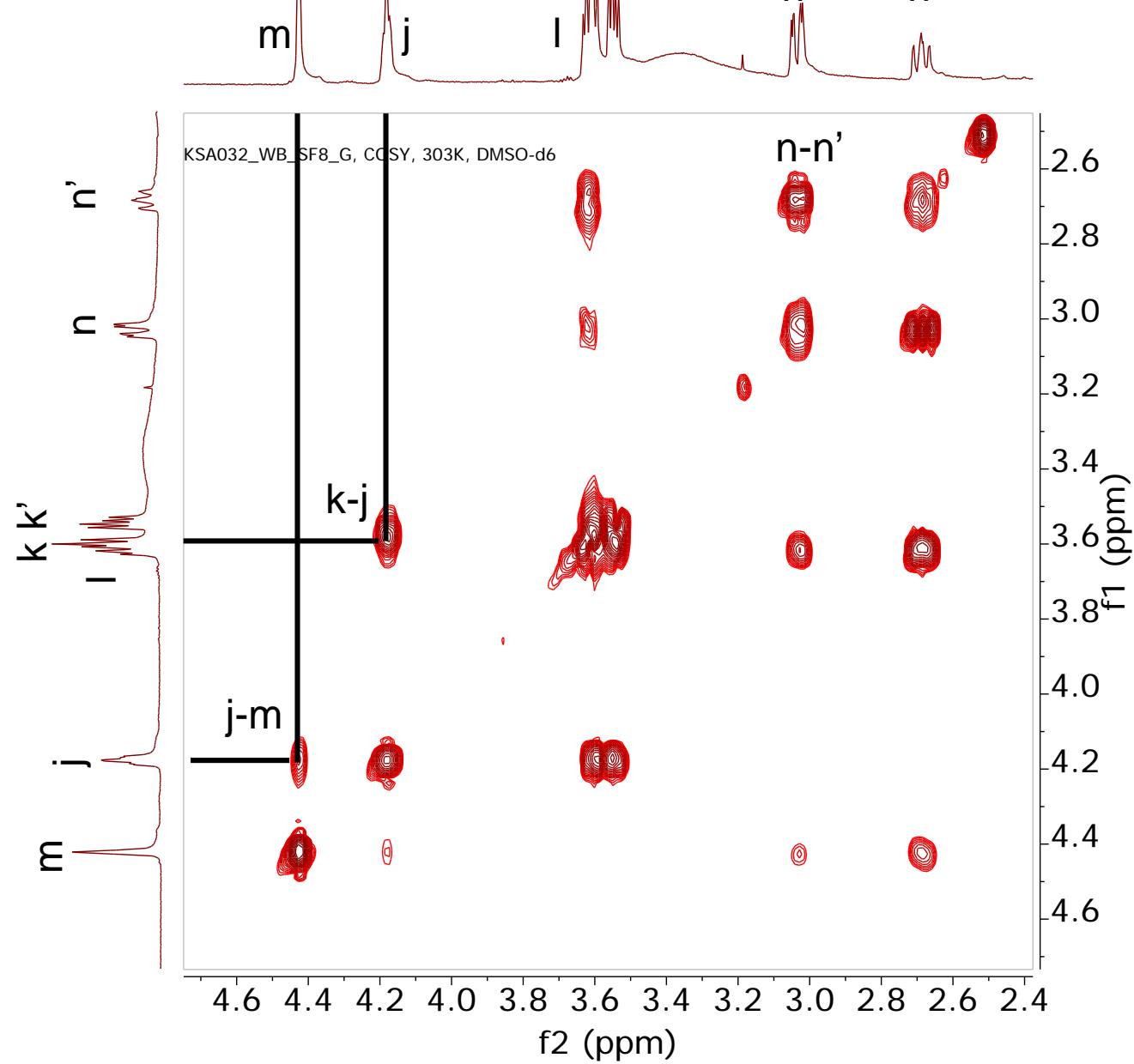
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# $^1\text{H}$ NMR Data



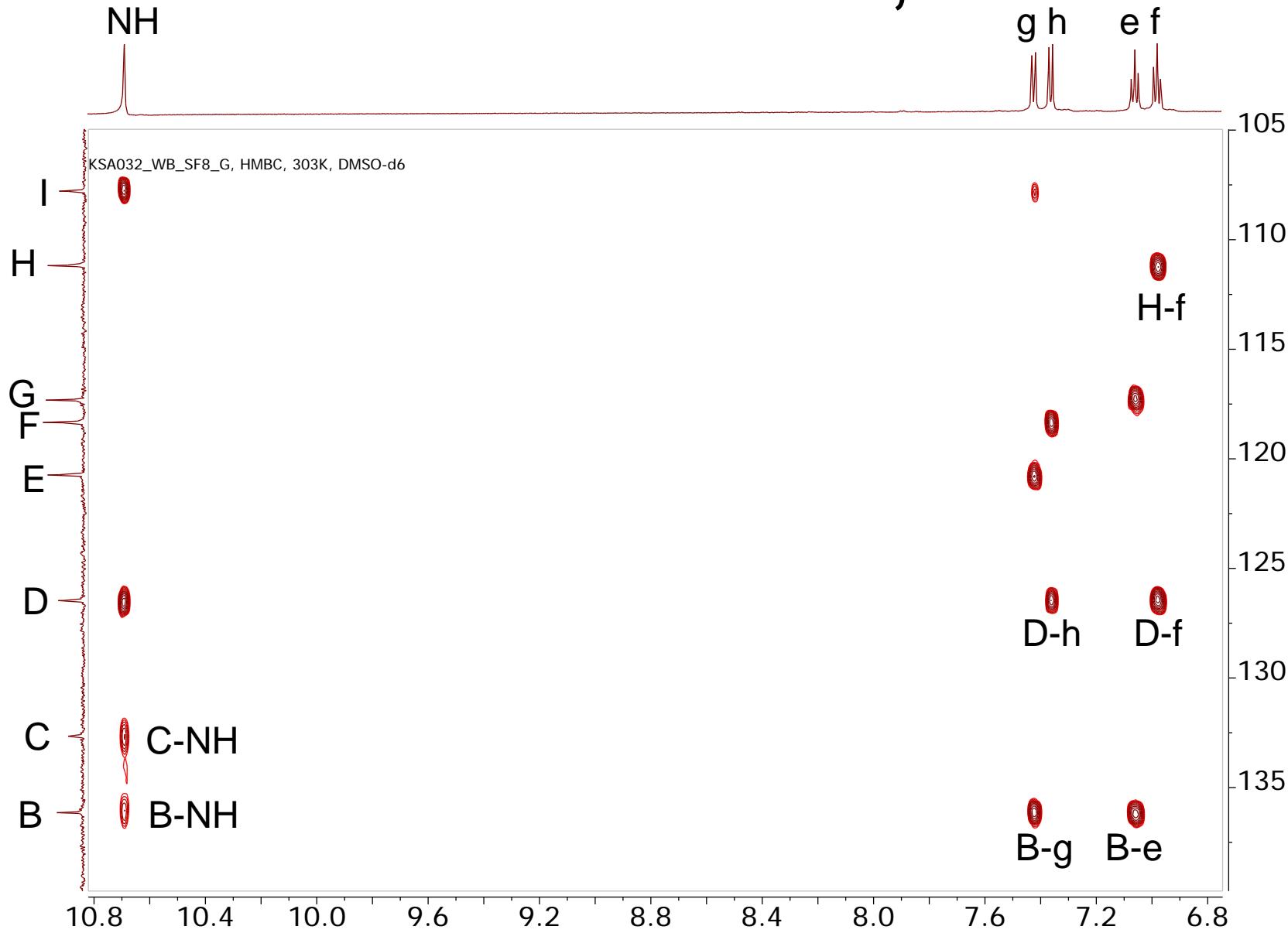
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A	172.75	C		
B	136.13	C		
C	132.61	C		
D	126.45	C		
E	120.74	CH	7.06 f, h	
F	118.33	CH	6.98 e, g	
G	117.29	CH	7.42 f	
H	111.15	CH	7.36 e	
I	107.77	C		
J	70.51	CH	4.18 m, k 3.60,	
K	62.94	$\text{CH}_2$	3.54 j	
L	56.09	CH	3.62 n	
M	54.65	CH	4.43 j, n	
N	24.62	$\text{CH}_2$	3.04, 2.69 l, m	

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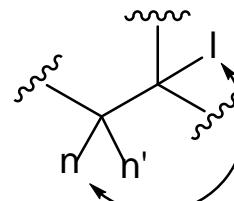
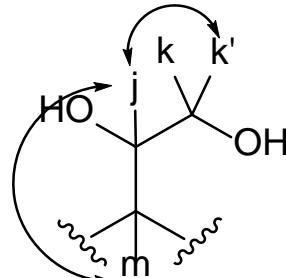
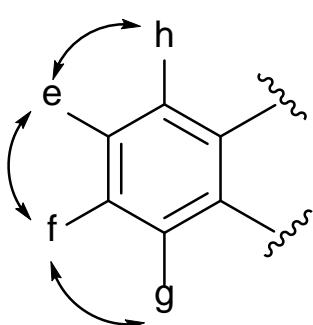


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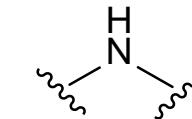
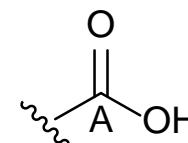
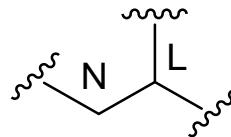
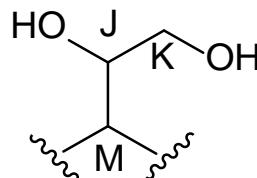
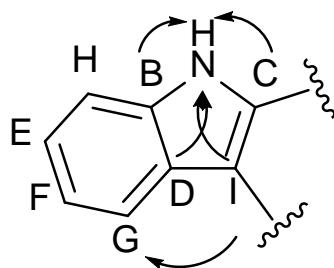
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# Substructures

COSY Data

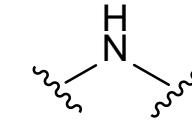
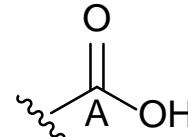
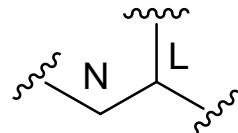
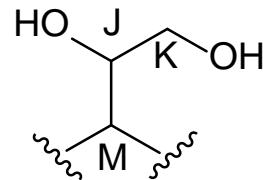
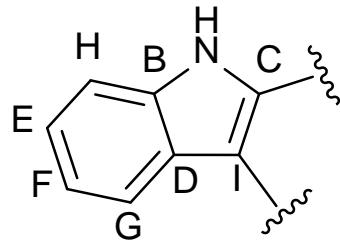


HMBC Data



$C_{14}H_{16}N_2O_4$

# Combining the Pieces



# Computer Aided Structure Elucidation

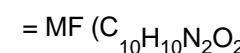
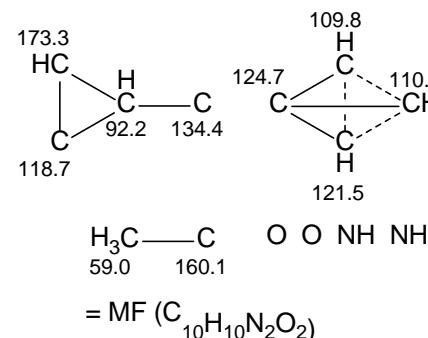
## HSQC analysis - assign C-H

Tabulate data

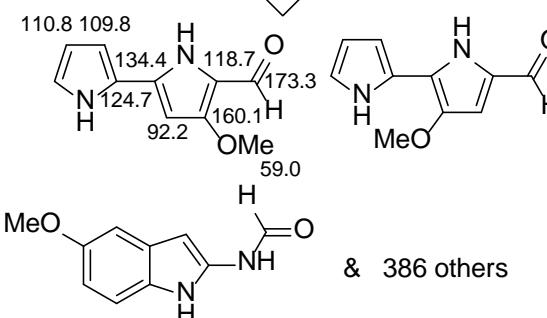
#	$d_C$	$d_H$
1	173.3	9.27
2	121.5	6.87
3	110.8	6.09
...	...	...

## COSY/HMBC analysis

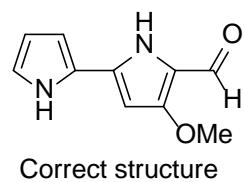
Generate connectivities



Structure generation

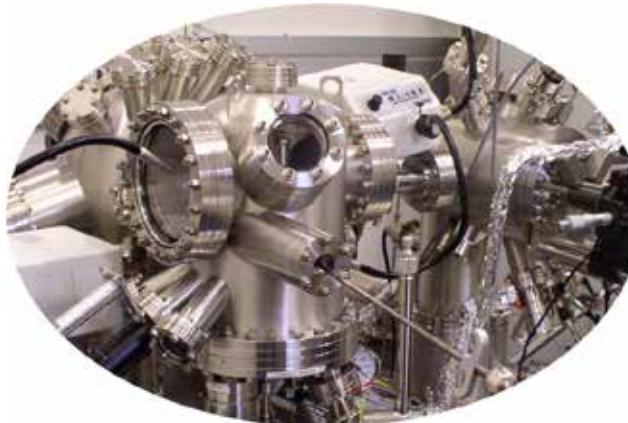


Calculate match  
with  $^{13}\text{C}$  shifts



Correct structure

# The Determinator

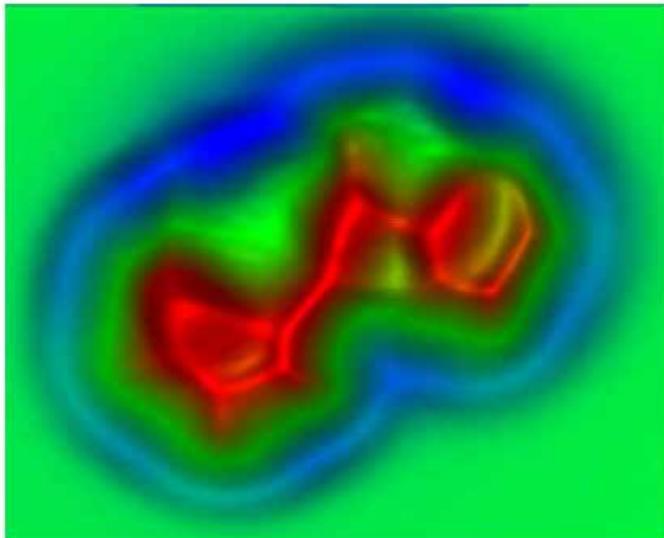
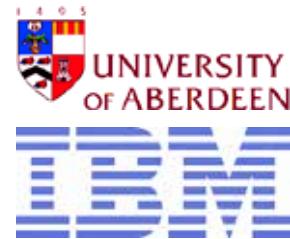


- Fast
- Easy to use
- Generally applicable
- Reliable
- Inexpensive

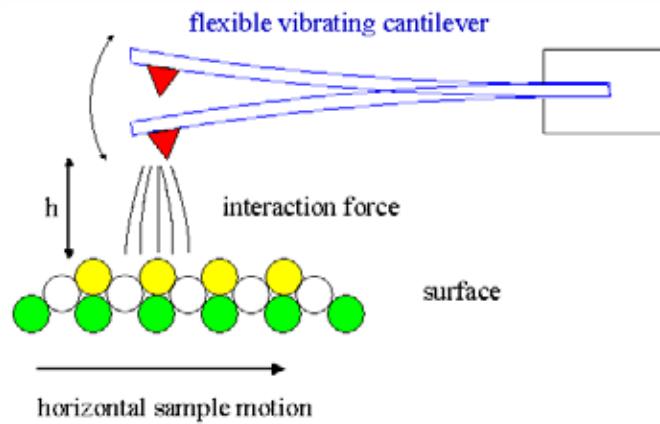
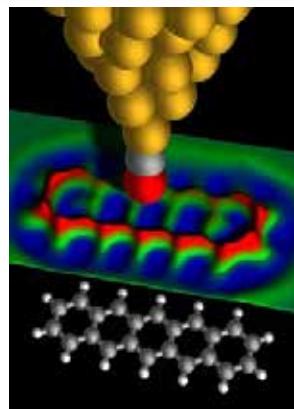


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# Solving Structures Using Atomic Force Microscopy



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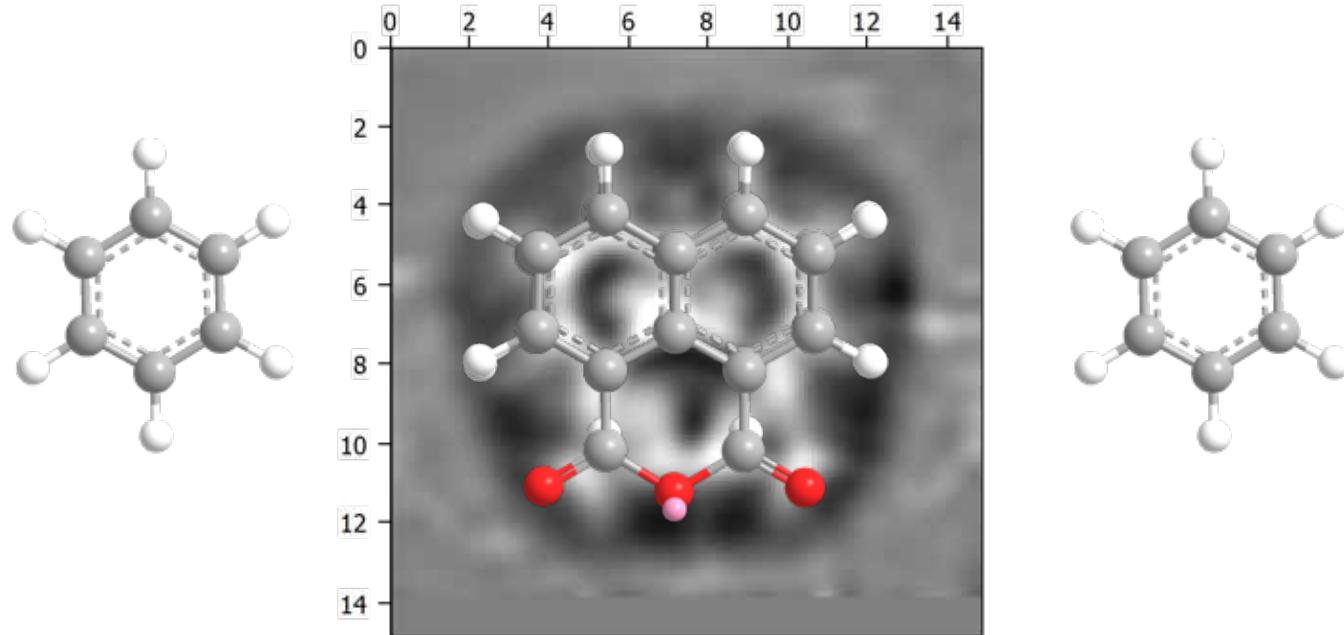


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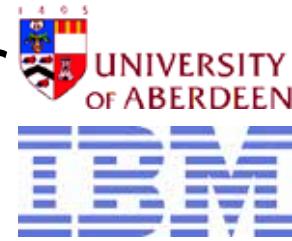
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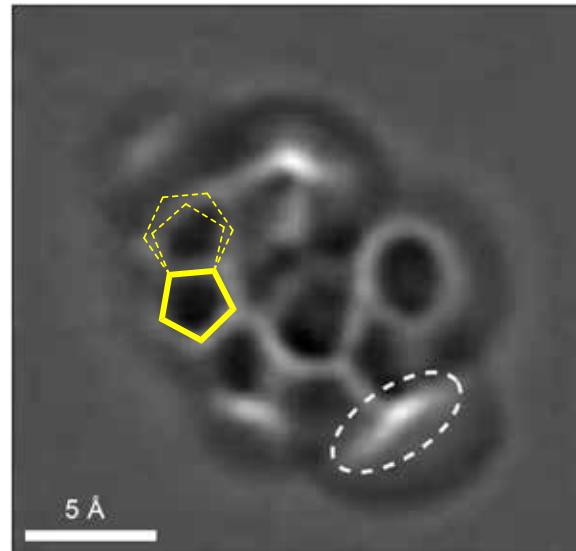
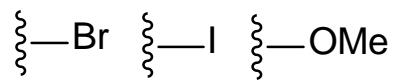
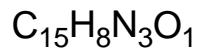


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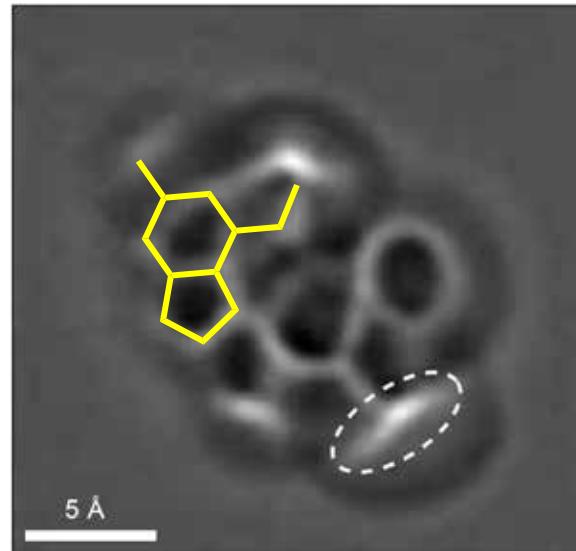
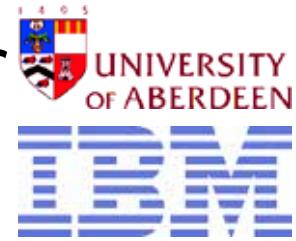
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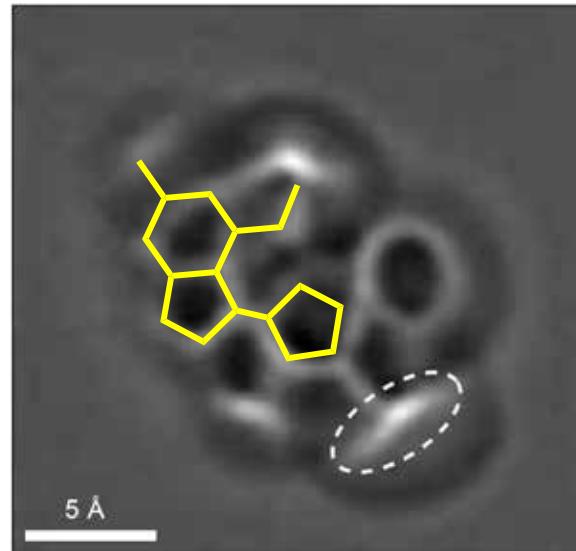
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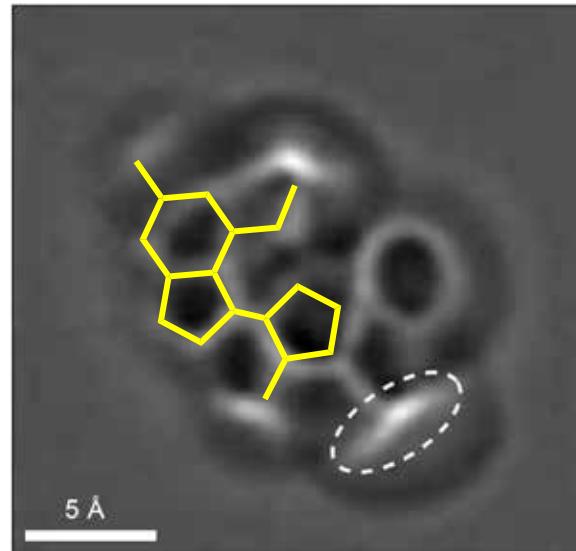
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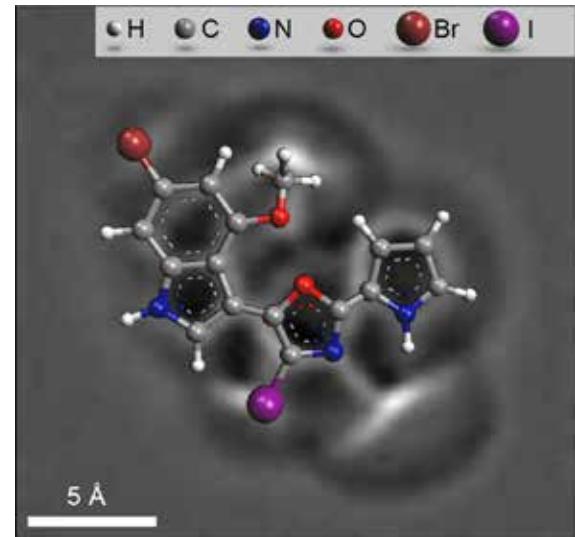
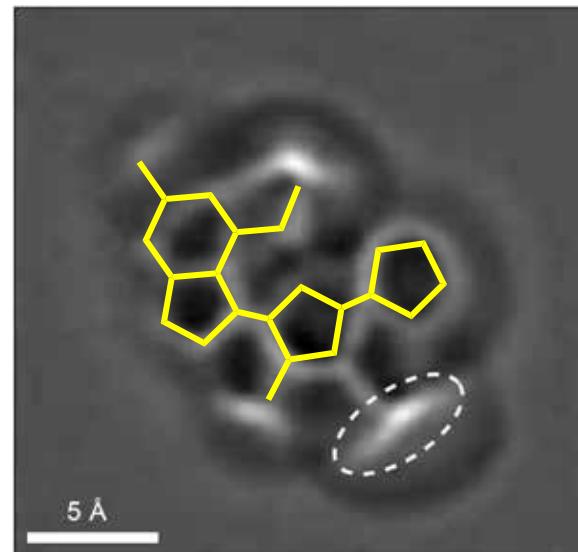
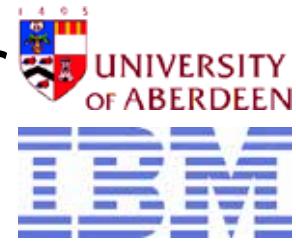
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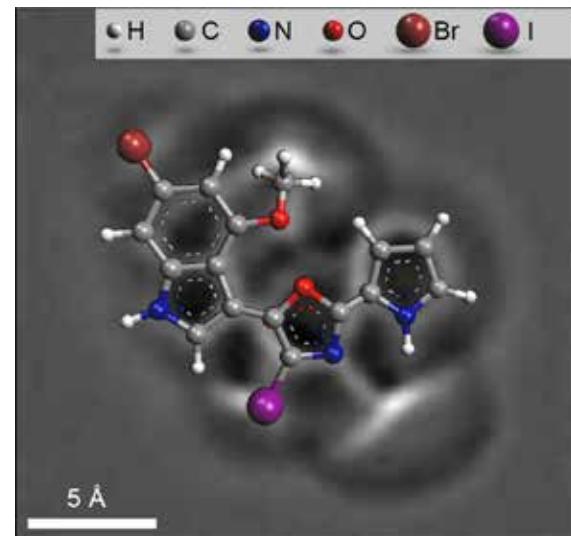
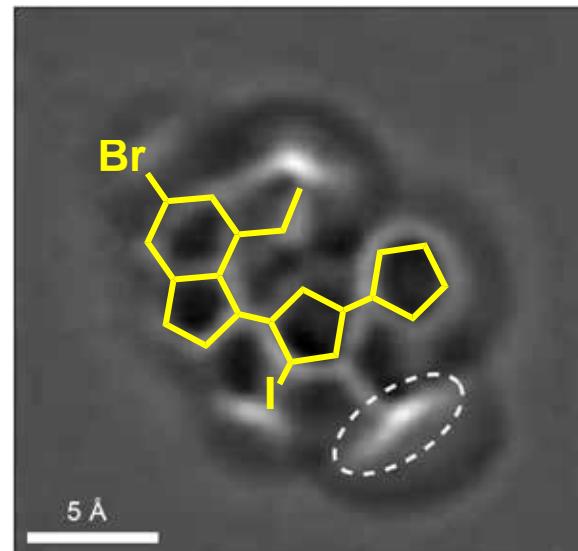
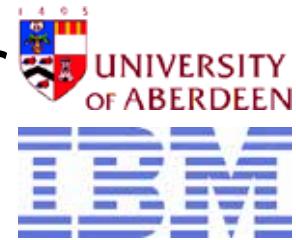
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“If you have a strange substance and you want to know what it is, you go through a long and complicated process of chemical analysis. .... It would be very easy to make an analysis of any complicated chemical substance; all one would have to do would be to look at it and see where the atoms are.”

*Plenty of Room at the Bottom*  
Richard P. Feynman  
December 1959