



The world's first specialty column for intact amino acid analysis via LC-MS

Intrada Amino Acid

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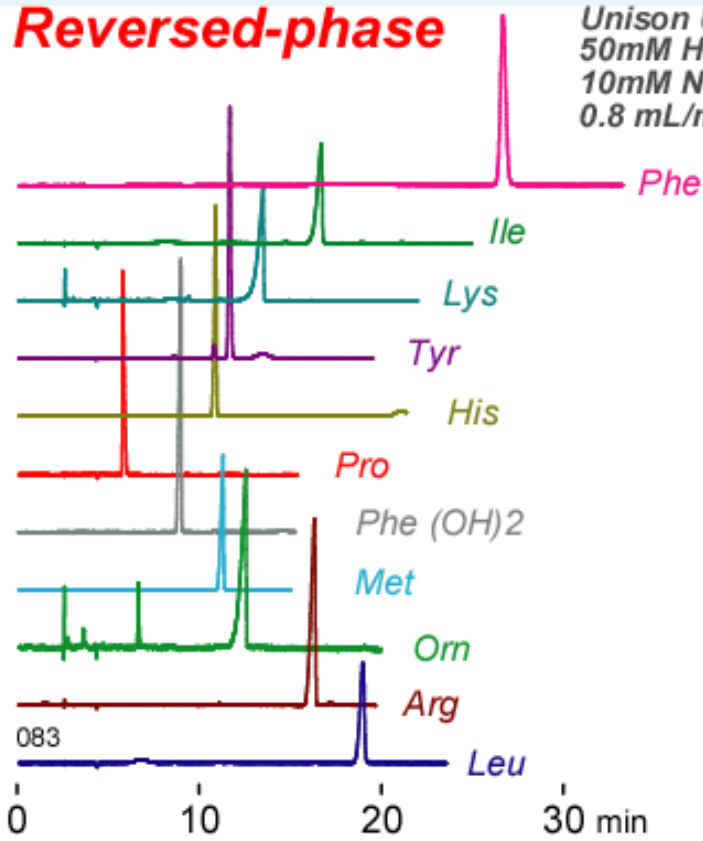
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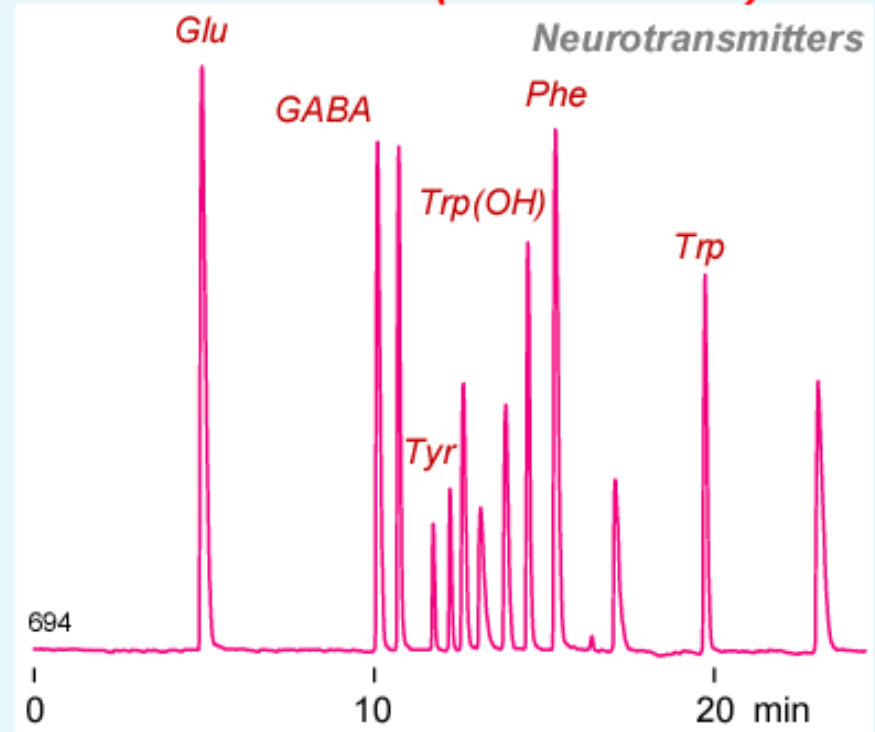
Various separation modes for amino acids direct analysis

Reversed-phase

Unison UK-C18, 250 x 4.6 mm
50mM H₃PO₄ +
10mM Na-heptanesulfonate /ACN = 85 /15
0.8 mL/min, 37 °C, 14.2 MPa, 210 nm

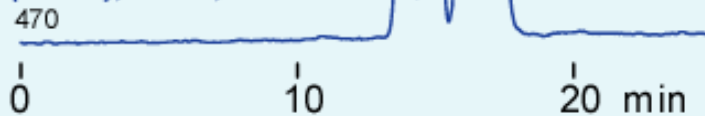


Multi-mode (RP+AX+CX)



Normal-phase

Unison UK-Amino, 250 x 2 mm
A: ACN
B: water /AcOH = 100 /1
20-25 %B (0-20min)
0.2 mL/min (8MPa), 37 °C, ELSD



Scherzo SS-C18, 150 x 3 mm
A: water /HCOOH = 100 / 0.5
B: 45mM HCOONH₄ /ACN = 65 / 35
10-100 %B (0-30 min)
0.4 mL/min, 37 deg.C, ELSD



Packing materials and separation mode

3 μm pure spherical silica particles

Specially designed stationary phase for amino acids separation with LC-MS

Mixed-mode with Normal Phase + IEX

ANALYTICAL CONDITIONS PROTOCOL

A: ACN (THF, MeOH) /HCOOH = 100 / (0.1 - 0.5), v/v

B: (50-200mM) HCOONH₄

Initial - Final %B (Gradient Time)

Flow Rate: depends on column I.D.

Temperature: up to 65°C

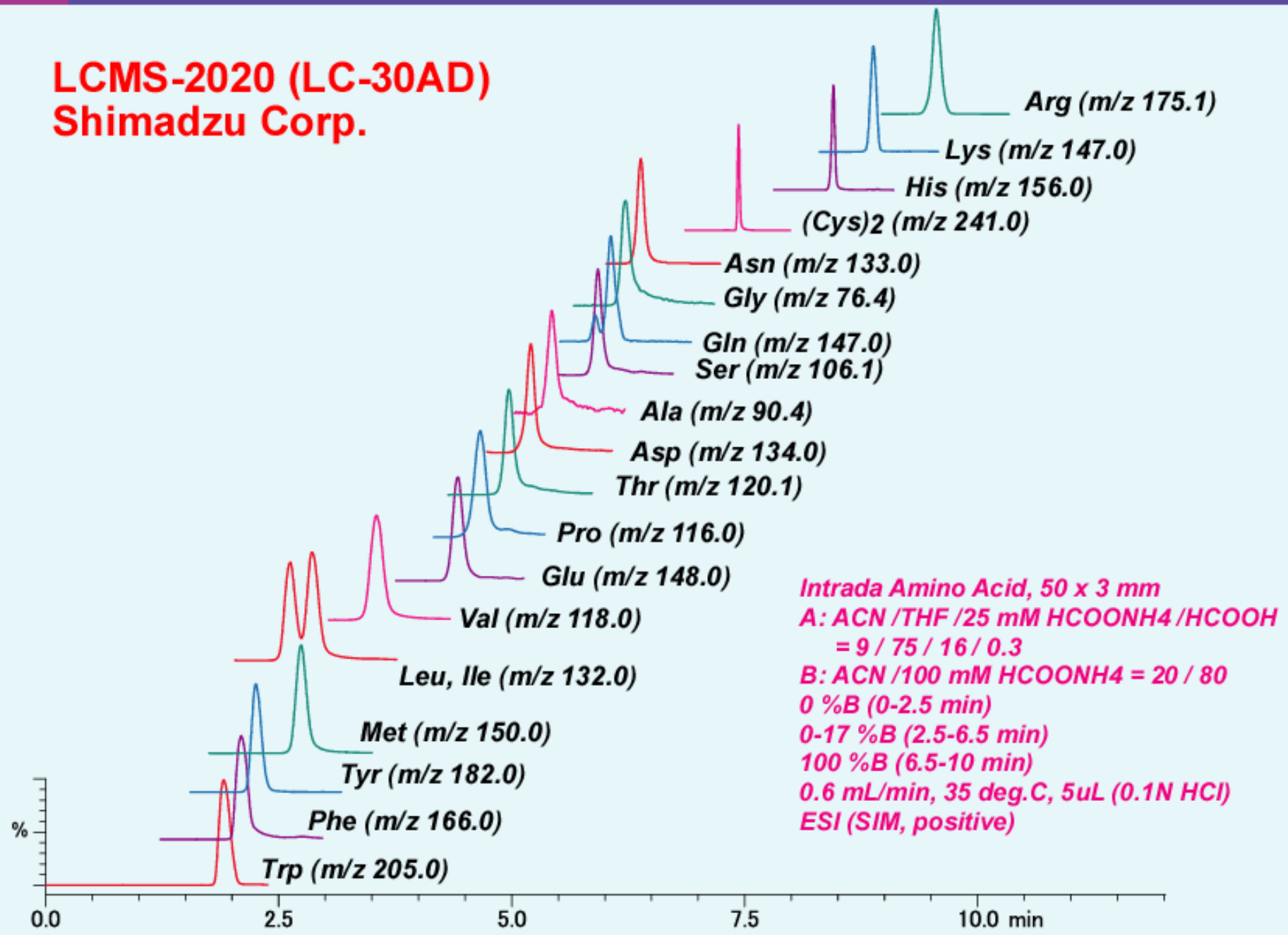
Injection Solution: 0.1N HCl or 0.1 - 2% HCOOH

MS detection: ESI, positive



LC-MS analysis for intact amino acids

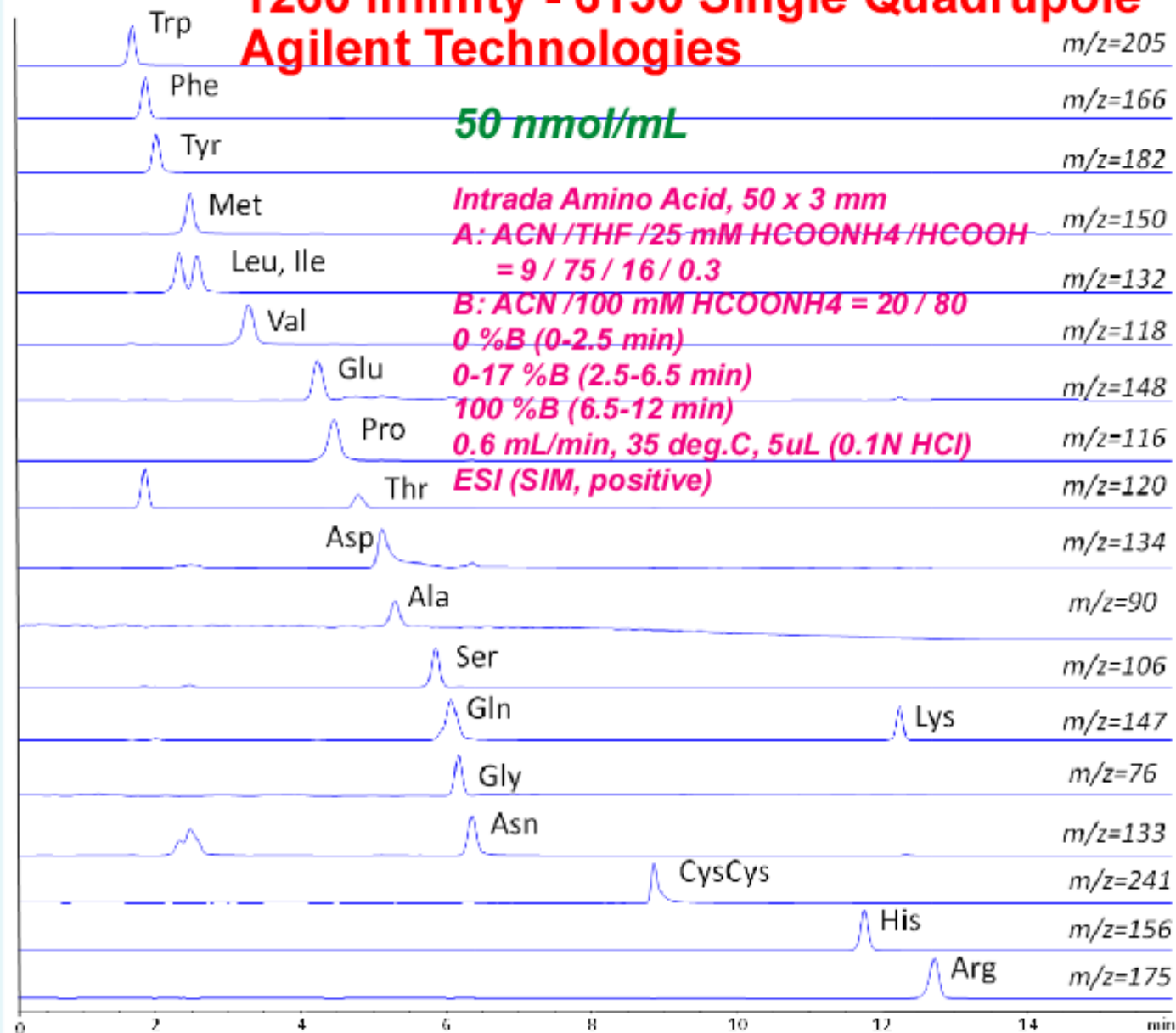
LCMS-2020 (LC-30AD)
Shimadzu Corp.





LC-MS analysis for intact amino acids

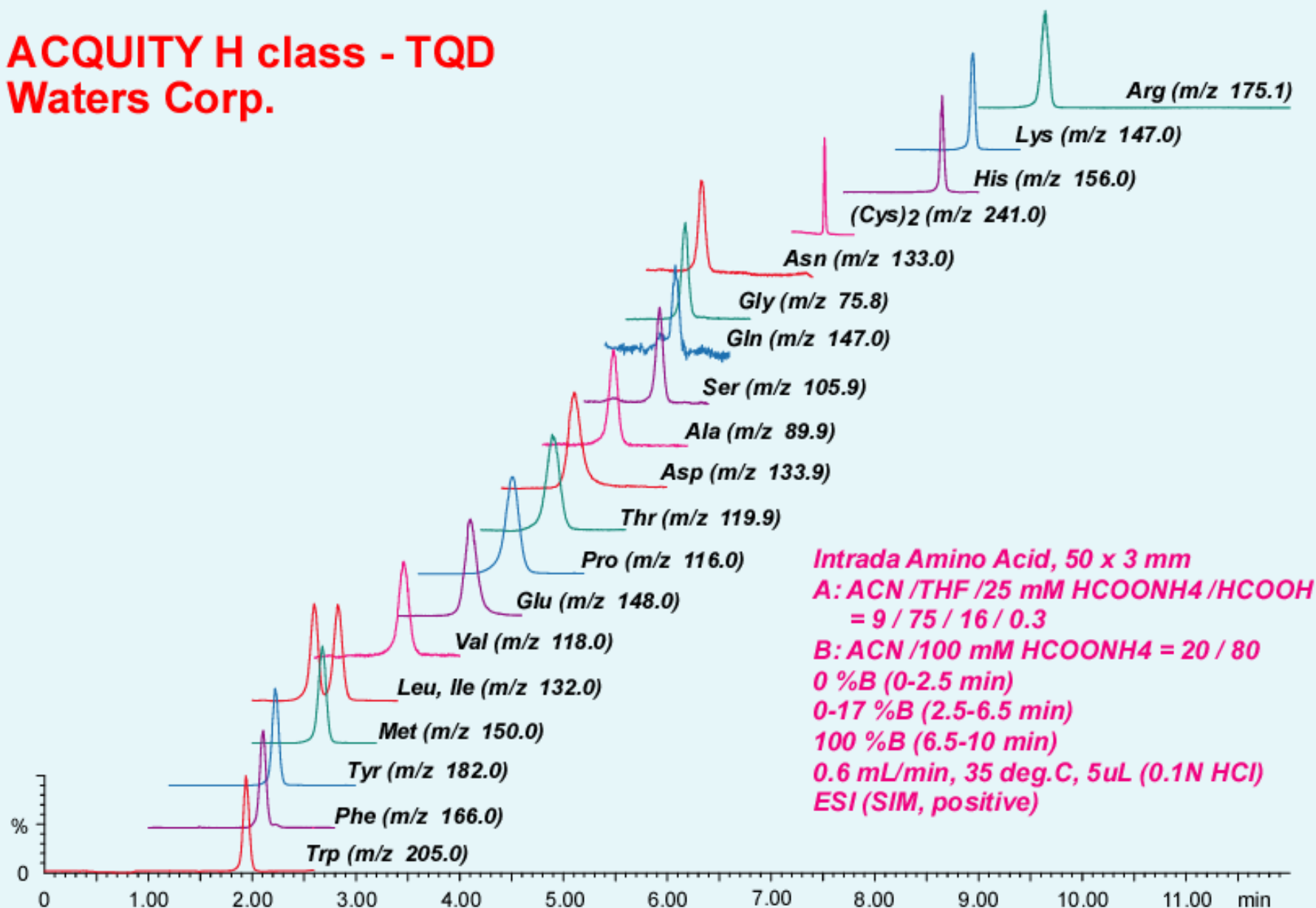
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LC-MS analysis for intact amino acids

100 nmol/mL

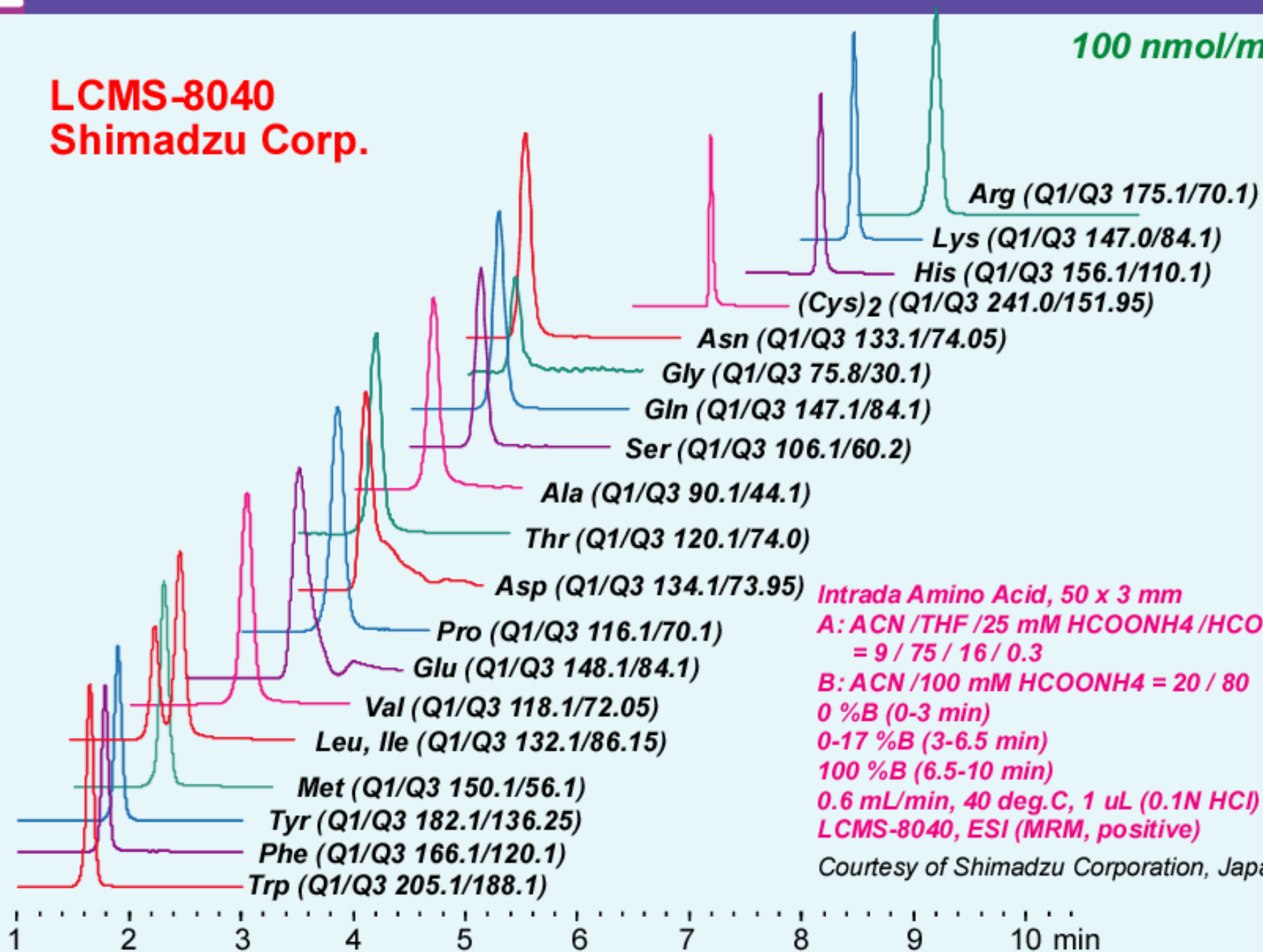
ACQUITY H class - TQD
Waters Corp.



LC-MS/MS (MRM) Analysis

LCMS-8040
Shimadzu Corp.

100 nmol/mL



Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm
A: ACN /THF /25 mM HCOONH₄ /HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3
B: ACN /100 mM HCOONH₄ = 20 / 80
0 %B (0-3 min)
0-17 %B (3-6.5 min)
100 %B (6.5-10 min)
0.6 mL/min, 40 deg.C, 1 uL (0.1N HCl)
LCMS-8040, ESI (MRM, positive)

Courtesy of Shimadzu Corporation, Japan

Simple gradient conditions

Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm

A: ACN / HCOOH = 100 / 0.1

B: 100mM HCOONH₄

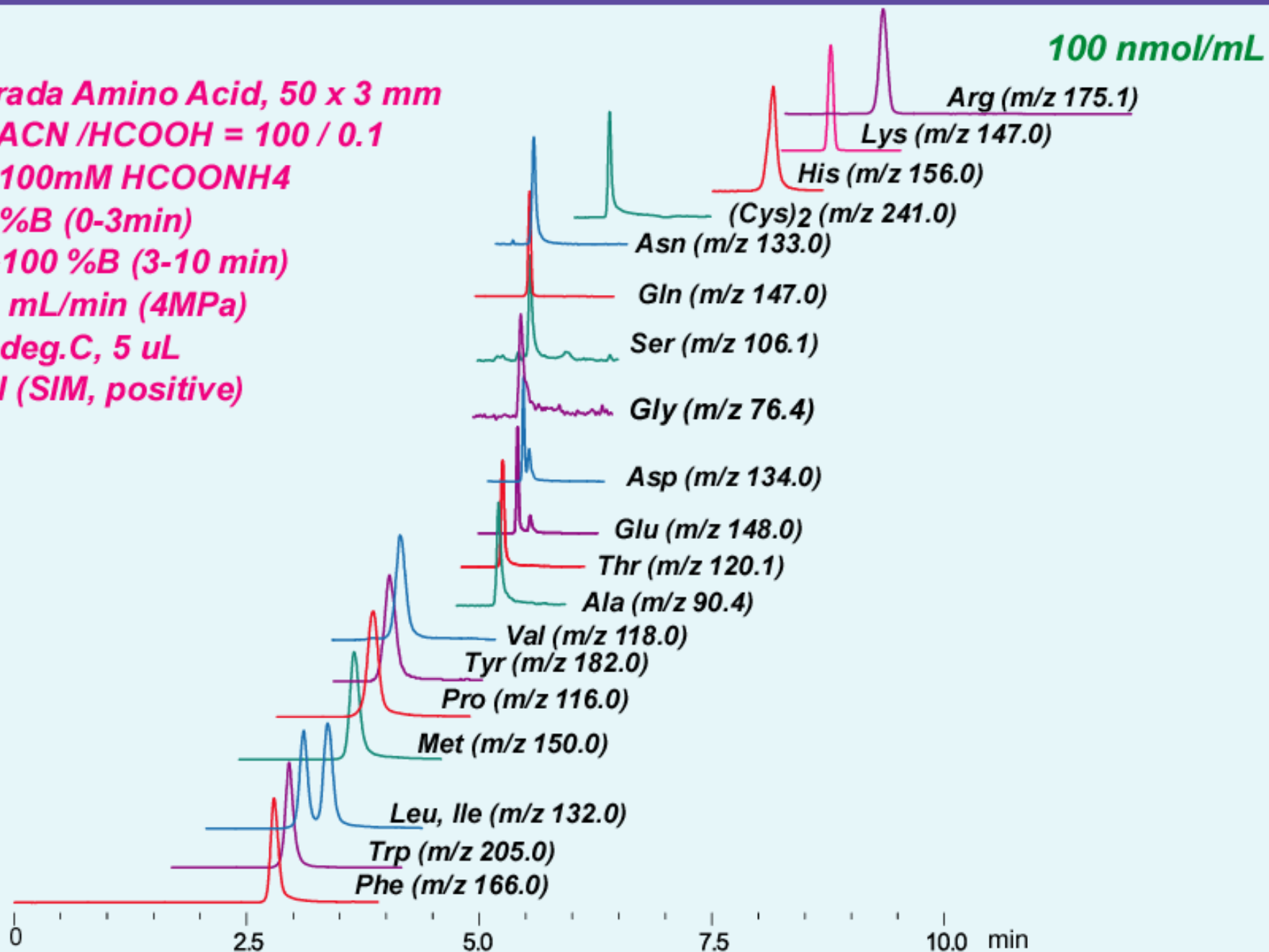
14 %B (0-3min)

14-100 %B (3-10 min)

0.6 mL/min (4MPa)

35 deg.C, 5 uL

ESI (SIM, positive)



5min High Throughput Analysis

Intrada Amino Acid, 150 x 2 mm

A: THF /20mM HCOONH₄ /HCOOH = 75 /25 /0.3

B: ACN /200mM HCOONH₄ = 20 /80

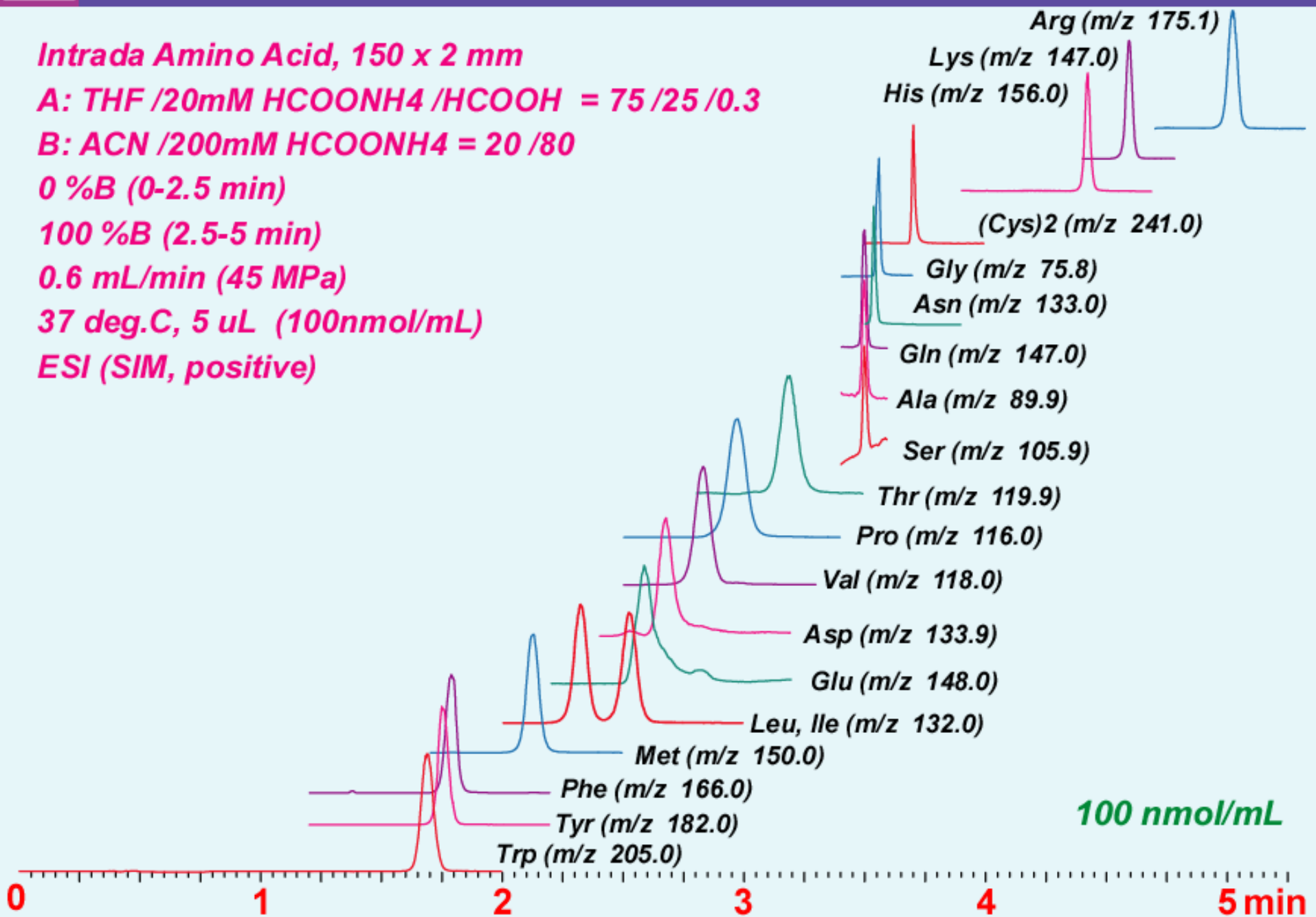
0 %B (0-2.5 min)

100 %B (2.5-5 min)

0.6 mL/min (45 MPa)

37 deg.C, 5 uL (100nmol/mL)

ESI (SIM, positive)



Column dimension (100 x 3 mm)

100 x 3 mm

Intrada Amino Acid, 100 x 3 mm

A: ACN / THF / 25 mM HCOONH₄ / HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3

B: ACN / 100mM HCOONH₄ = 20 / 80

0 %B (0-3 min)

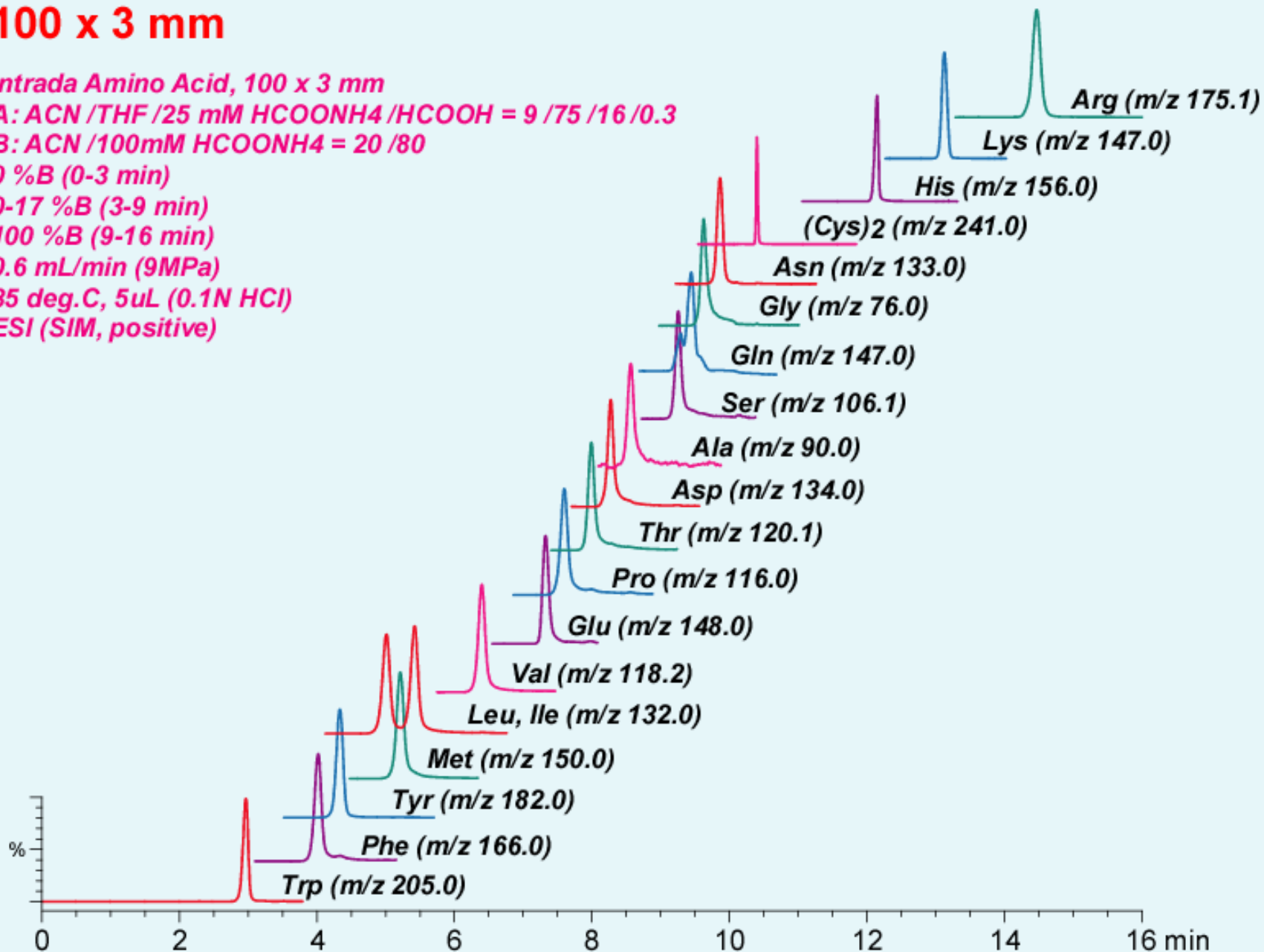
0-17 %B (3-9 min)

100 %B (9-16 min)

0.6 mL/min (9MPa)

35 deg.C, 5uL (0.1N HCl)

ESI (SIM, positive)



1min High Throughput Analysis

Intrada Amino Acid, 10 x 2 mm

A: ACN/HCOOH = 100 / 0.1

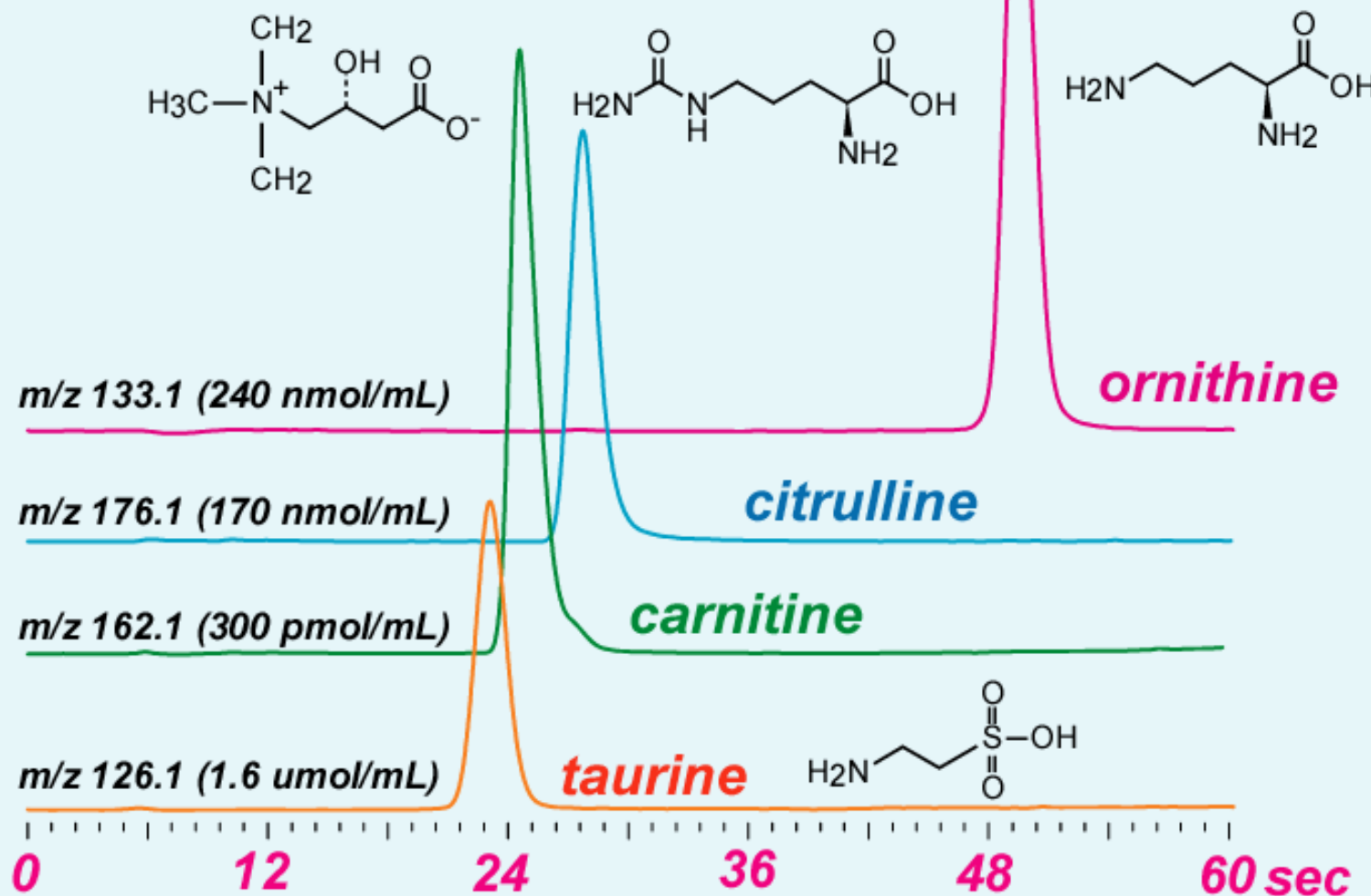
B: 100mM HCOONH₄

15-100 %B (0-0.8 min), 100 %B (0.8-1.0 min)

0.4 mL/min (1.6 MPa), 35deg.C, 1 uL (0.1N HCl)

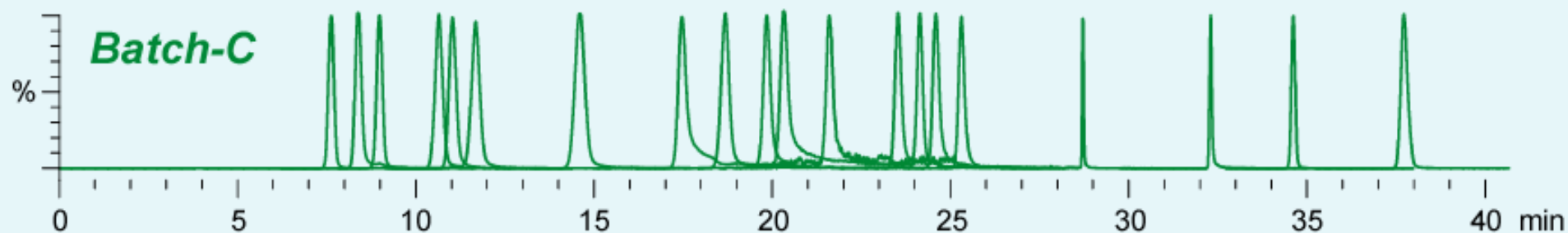
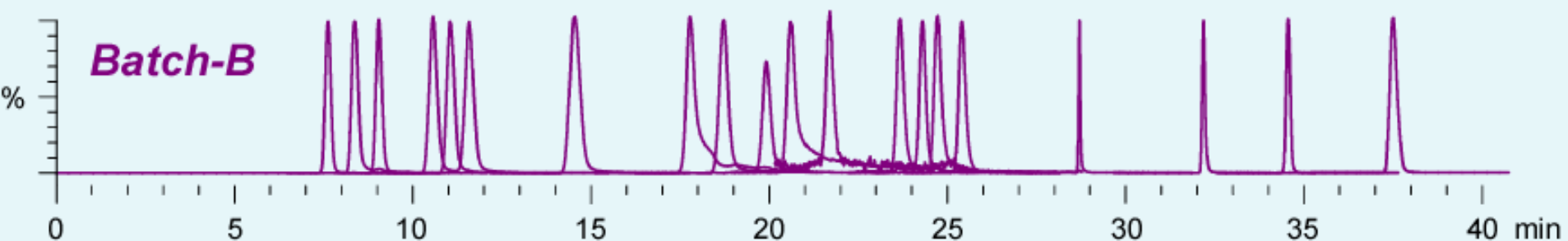
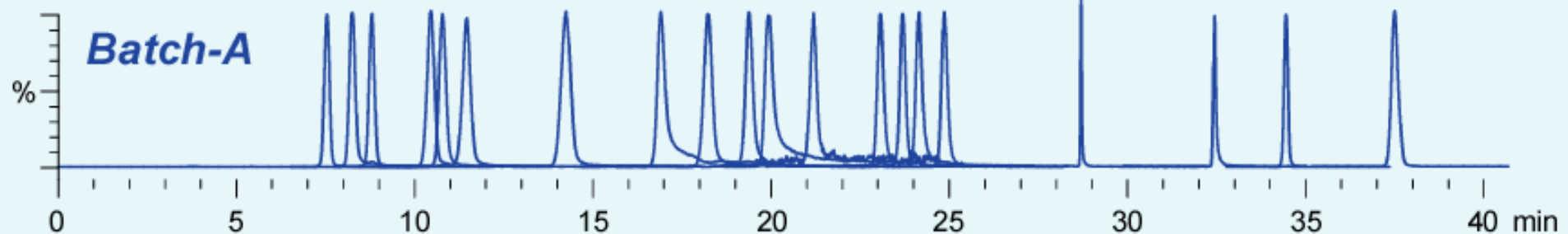
ESI (SIM, positive)

10 x 2 mm



Batch-to-Batch Reproducibility (20 AA)

150 x 3 mm



Intrada Amino Acid, 150 x 3 mm

A: ACN / THF / 25mM HCOONH₄ / HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3 (v/v/v/v)

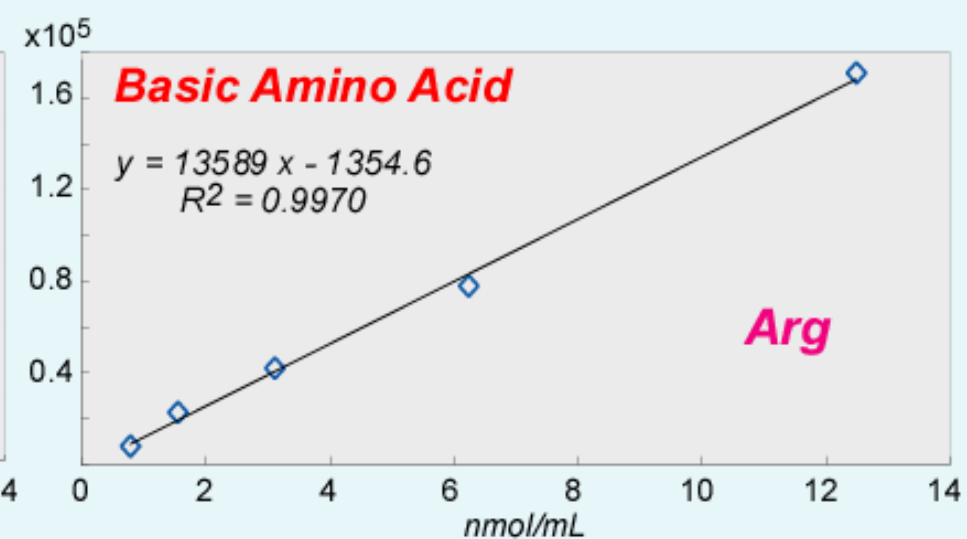
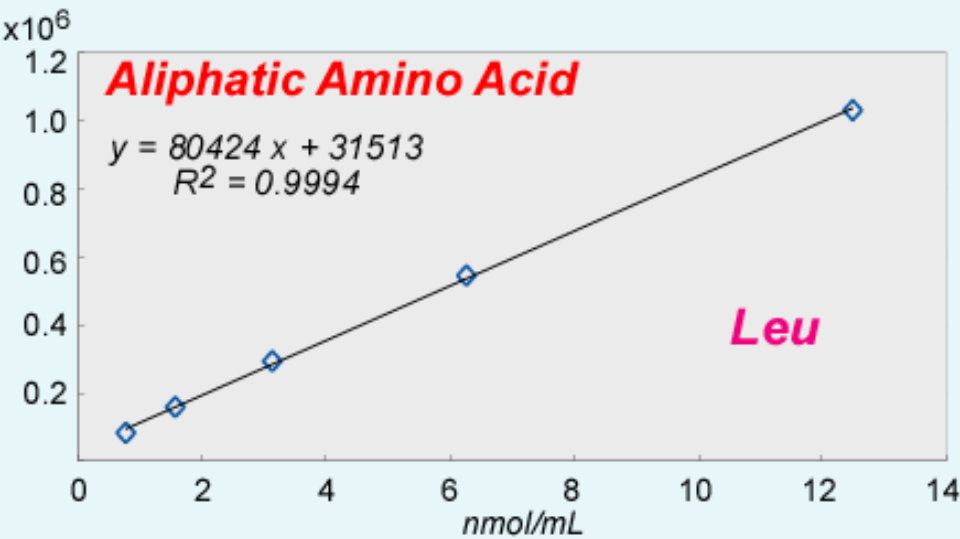
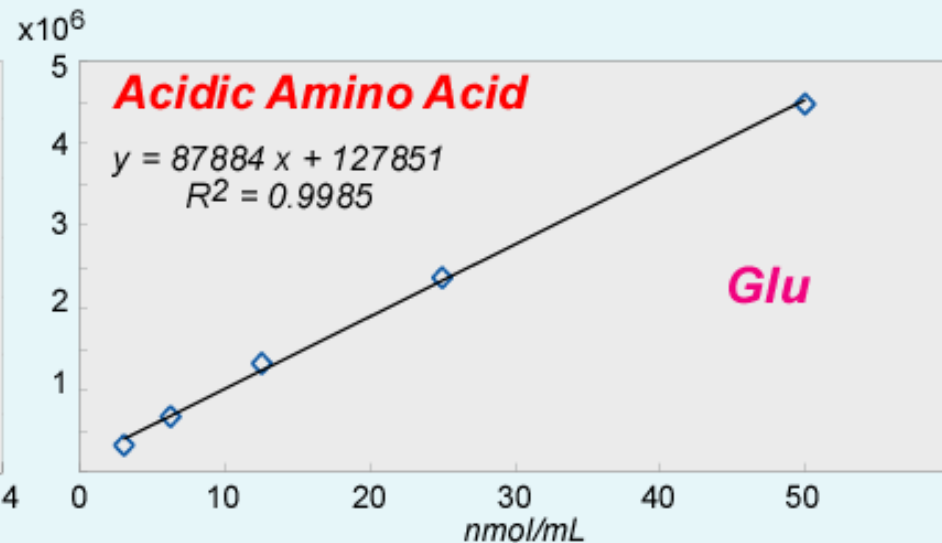
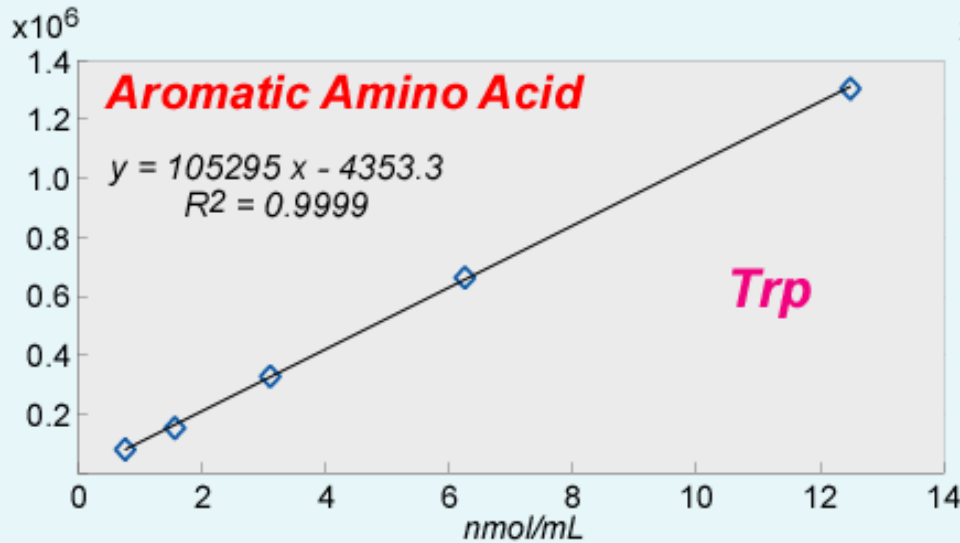
B: ACN / 100mM HCOONH₄ = 20 / 80 (v/v)

0 %B (0-12 min), 0-17 %B (12-26 min), 100 %B (26-45 min)

0.4 mL/min (7MPa), 35 deg.C, 1.2 uL (1 umol/mL in 0.1N HCl), ESI, positive



linearity





Repeatability

Amino Acid **%RSD(*t_R*)** **%RSD(Area)**

Trp	0.48	0.82
Phe	0.49	0.97
Tyr	0.70	1.09
Met	0.45	1.21
Leu	0.43	2.33
Ile	0.39	3.11
Val	0.41	2.26
Glu	0.40	1.71
Pro	0.34	2.08
Asp	0.28	2.60
Thr	0.38	2.39
Ala	0.24	3.10
Ser	0.22	2.71
Gln	0.22	3.21
Gly	0.21	2.92
Asn	0.20	2.35
(Cys)2	0.04	4.14
His	0.08	4.30
Lys	0.08	4.85
Arg	0.11	4.11

Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm

A: ACN / THF / 25mM HCOONH₄ / HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3

B: ACN / 100 mM HCOONH₄ = 80 / 20

0 %B (0-2.5 min)

0-17 %B (2.5-6.5 min)

100 %B (6.5-10 min)

0.6 mL/min

35 deg.C

5uL (500nmol/mL)

ESI, Positive

n = 15

ISTD: theanine



55 Amino Acids for Intrada Amino Acid/LC-MS

<i>alanine (Ala, m/z 90.0)</i>	<i>glutamic acid (Glu, m/z 148.0)</i>	<i>norleucine (m/z 132.0)</i>
<i>β-alanine (β-Ala, m/z 90.0)</i>	<i>glutamine (Gln, m/z 147.0)</i>	<i>norvaline (m/z 118.0)</i>
<i>α-aminoadipic acid (m/z 162.1)</i>	<i>glycine (Gly, m/z 76.4)</i>	<i>ornithine (Orn, m/z 133.1)</i>
<i>α-aminobutyric acid (m/z 104.0)</i>	<i>glycylproline (Gly-Pro, m/z 173.1)</i>	<i>phenylalanine (Phe, m/z 166.0)</i>
<i>β-aminobutyric acid (m/z 104.0)</i>	<i>histidine (His, m/z 156.0)</i>	<i>o-phosphoethanolamine (m/z 142.0)</i>
<i>β-aminoisobutyric acid (m/z 104.0)</i>	<i>homoserine (m/z 120.1)</i>	<i>o-phosphoserine (Ser (P), m/z 186.0)</i>
<i>γ-aminobutyric acid (GABA, m/z 104.0)</i>	<i>hydroxylysine (Hylys, m/z 163.0)</i>	<i>proline (Pro, m/z 116.0)</i>
<i>2-aminoethanol (EtOHNH₂, m/z 62.1)</i>	<i>hydroxyproline (Hyp, m/z 116.0)</i>	<i>sarcosine (Sar, m/z 90.0)</i>
<i>5-aminolevulinic acid (m/z 132.0)</i>	<i>isoleucine (Ile, m/z 132.0)</i>	<i>serine (Ser, m/z 106.1)</i>
<i>5-aminovaleric acid (m/z 118.1)</i>	<i>allo-isoleucine (m/z 132.0)</i>	<i>taurine (Tau, m/z 126.0)</i>
<i>α-aminopimelic acid (Apm, m/z 162.1)</i>	<i>leucine (Leu, m/z 132.0)</i>	<i>theanine (m/z 175.1)</i>
<i>anserine (Ans, m/z 241.1)</i>	<i>lysine (Lys, m/z 147.0)</i>	<i>threonine (Thr, m/z 120.1)</i>
<i>arginine (Arg, m/z 175.1)</i>	<i>methionine (Met, m/z 150.0)</i>	<i>allo-threonine (allo-Thr, m/z 120.1)</i>
<i>asparagine (Asn, m/z 133.0)</i>	<i>methionine sulfone (m/z 182.0)</i>	<i>thioprolin (m/z 134.0)</i>
<i>aspartic acid (Asp, m/z 134.0)</i>	<i>1-methylhistidine (1-Mehis, m/z 170.1)</i>	<i>tryptophan (Trp, m/z 205.0)</i>
<i>carnosine (Car, m/z 227.1)</i>	<i>3-methylhistidine (3-Mehis, m/z 170.1)</i>	<i>tyrosine (Tyr, m/z 182.0)</i>
<i>citrulline (Cit, m/z 176.1)</i>	<i>o-methylserine (m/z 120.1)</i>	<i>valine (Val, m/z 118.0)</i>
<i>cystic acid (Cys(O₃H), m/z 170.0)</i>		
<i>cysteine (Cys, m/z 122.0)</i>		
<i>cystine ((Cys)₂, m/z 241.0)</i>		
<i>cystathionine (Cysthi, m/z 223.1)</i>		



LC-MS analysis for 55 Amino Acids

Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm

A: acetonitrile / tetrahydrofuran / 25mM ammonium formate / formic acid = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3

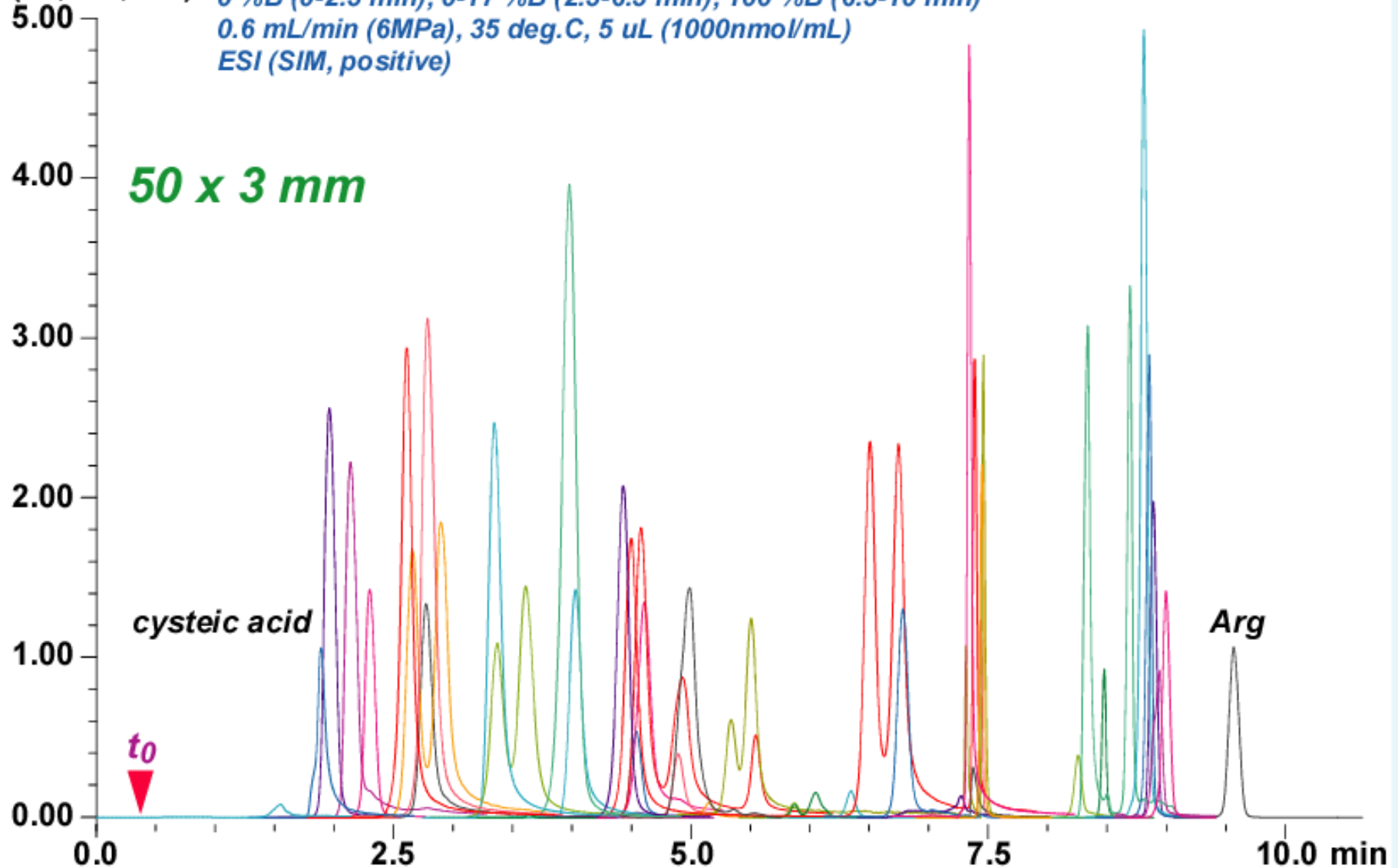
B: acetonitrile / 100mM ammonium formate = 20 / 80

0 %B (0-2.5 min), 0-17 %B (2.5-6.5 min), 100 %B (6.5-10 min)

0.6 mL/min (6MPa), 35 deg.C, 5 uL (1000nmol/mL)

ESI (SIM, positive)

(x1,000,000)



LC-MS analysis for 55 Amino Acids

Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm

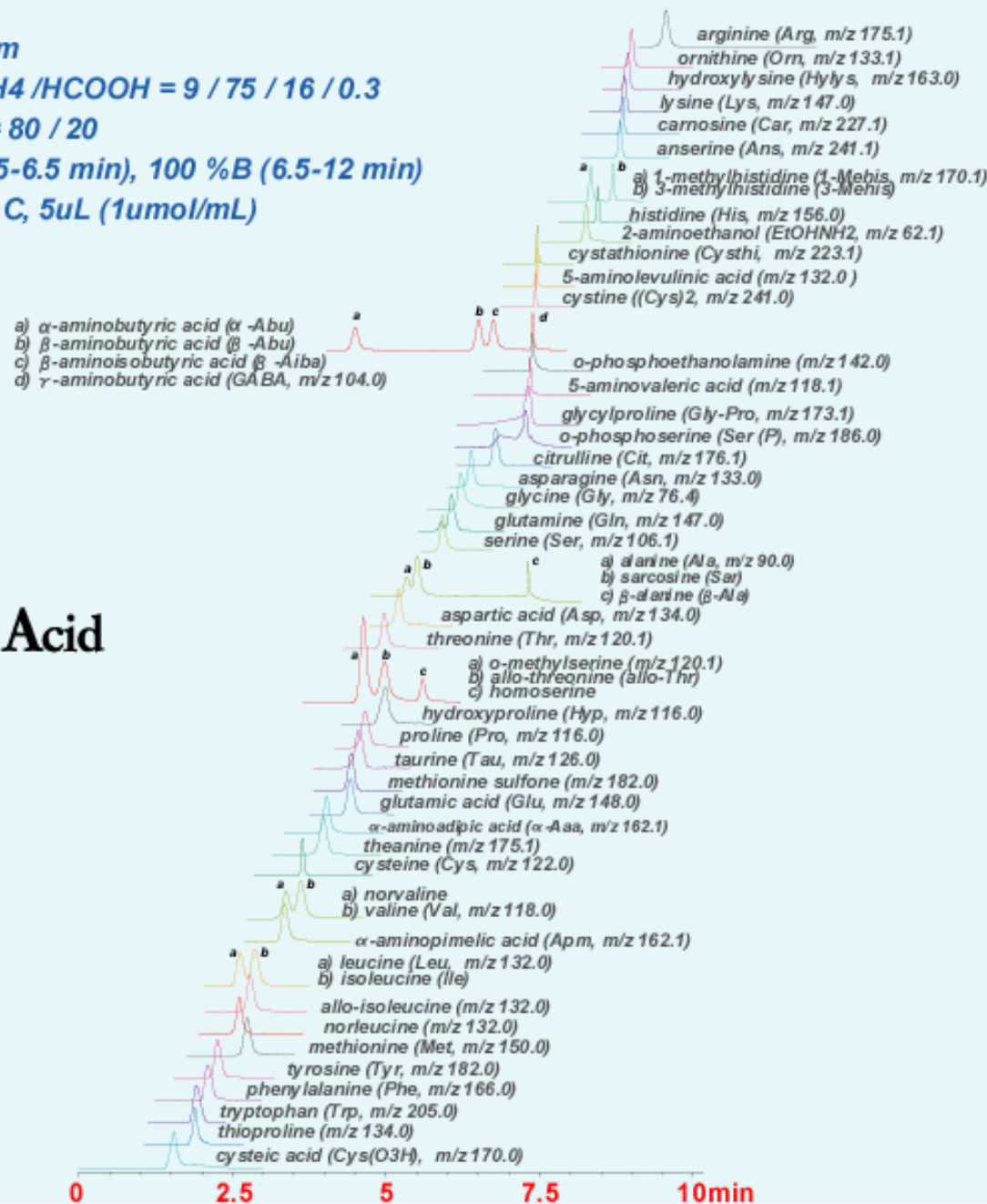
A: ACN /THF /25mM HCOONH₄ /HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3

B: 100mM HCOONH₄ / ACN = 80 / 20

0 %B (0-2.5 min), 0-17 %B (2.5-6.5 min), 100 %B (6.5-12 min)

0.6 mL/min (10 MPa), 35 deg.C, 5uL (1umol/mL)

ESI (SIM, Positive)



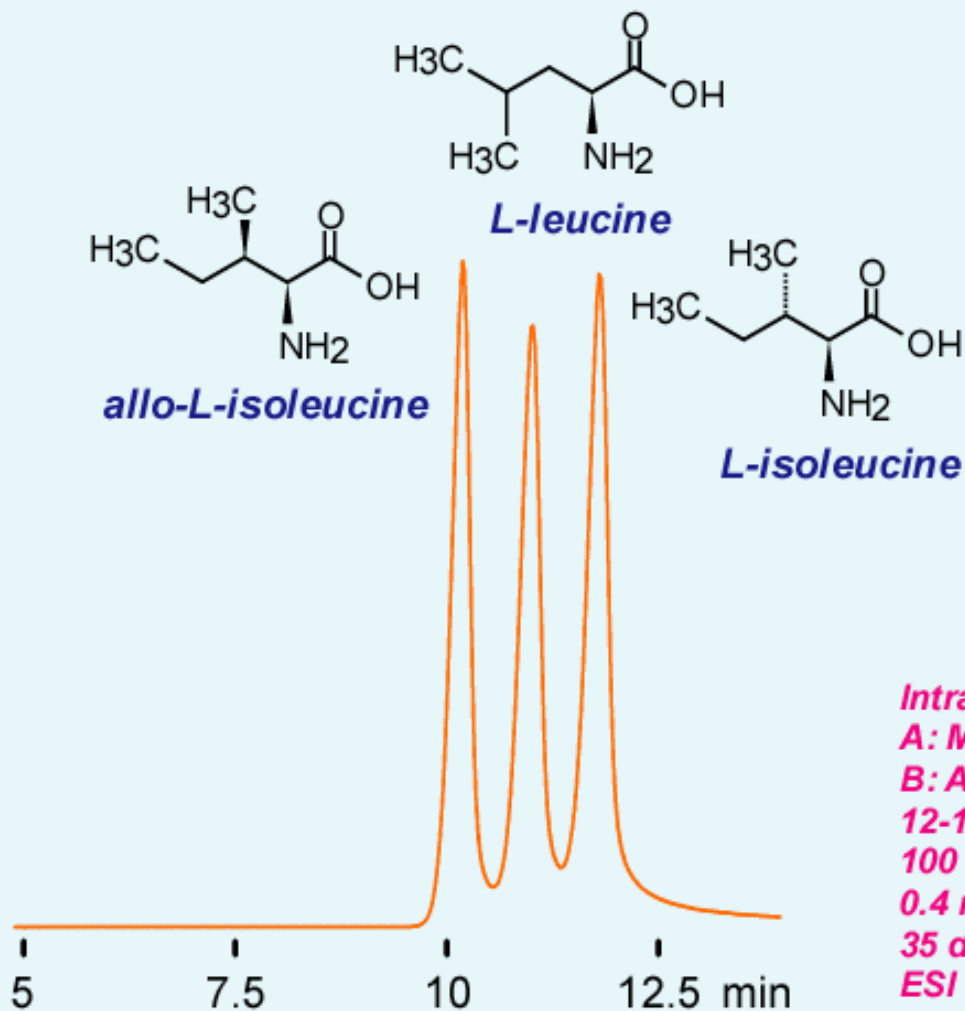
Intrada Amino Acid



Leucine Isomers (131Da)

m/z 132.0

150 x 3 mm



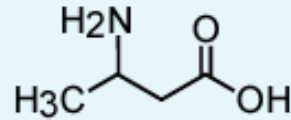
Intrada Amino Acid, 150 x 3 mm
A: MeOH /water /HCOOH = 85 / 15 / 0.3
B: ACN /100mM HCOONH4 = 20 / 80
12-13 %B (0-12 min)
100 %B (12-15 min)
0.4 mL/min (11 MPa)
35 deg.C, 5 uL (0.1N HCl)
ESI (positive, m/z 132.0)



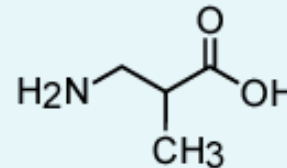
Alpha, Beta, Gamma Amino Acid Isomers (103Da)

m/z 104.1

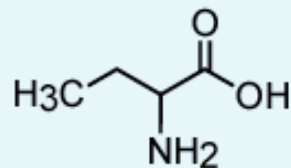
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*3-aminobutyric acid
(beta-aminobutyric acid)*

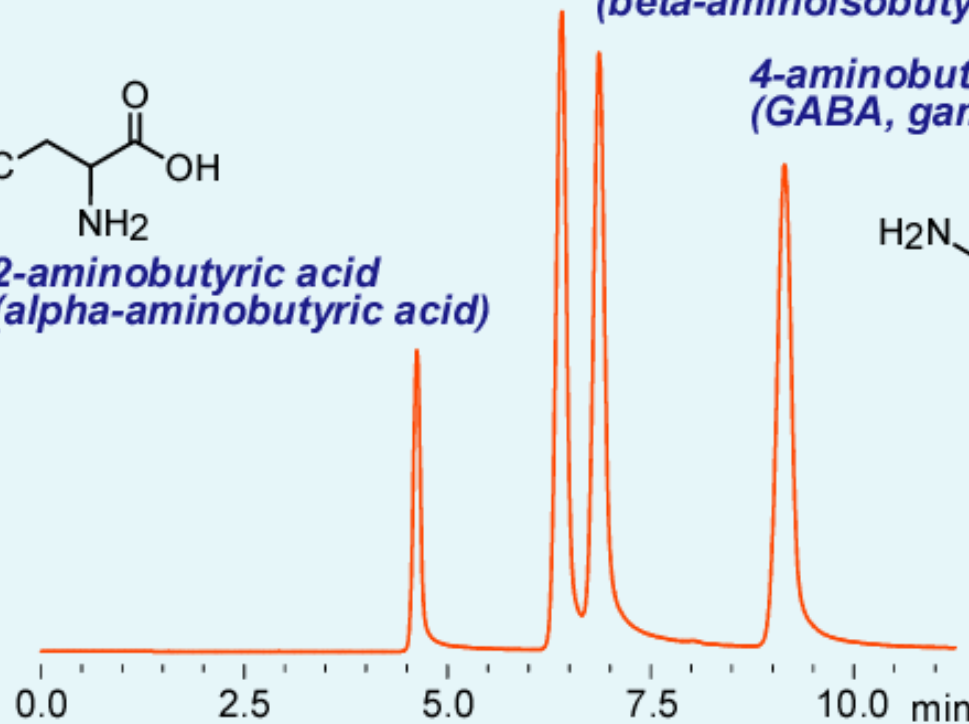
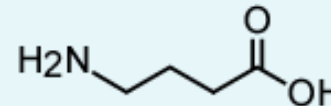


*3-aminoisobutyric acid
(beta-aminoisobutyric acid)*



*2-aminobutyric acid
(alpha-aminobutyric acid)*

*4-aminobutyric acid
(GABA, gamma-aminobutyric acid)*



Intrada Amino Acid, 100 x 3 mm

A: ACN / HCOOH = 100 / 0.3

B: 100mM HCOONH4

25-30 %B (0-12 min)

100 %B (12-15min)

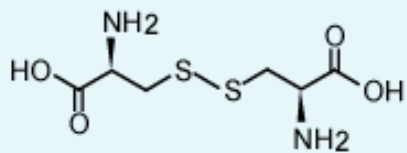
0.4 mL/min (4MPa)

37 deg.C, 5 uL (0.1N-HCl aq.)

ESI (positive, m/z 104.1)

Dipeptides

75 x 2 mm



L-cystine ((Cys)2)

Intrada Amino Acid, 75 x 2 mm

A: acetonitrile / formic acid = 100 / 0.3

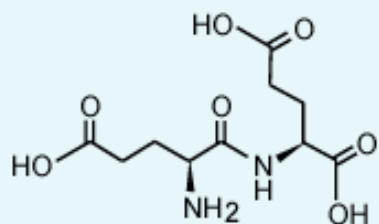
B: 100 mM ammonium formate

20-100 %B (0-10 min), 100 %B(10-12 min)

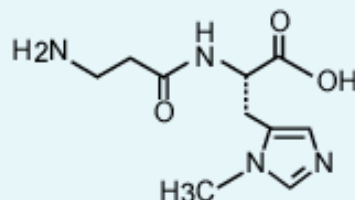
0.3 mL/min (5 MPa), 35 deg.C

2 uL (0.02-0.32 ug, 0.1N HCl)

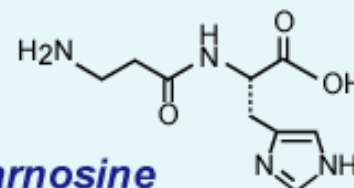
ESI (SIM, positive)



**N-(L-alpha-glutamyl)
-L-glutamic acid
(Glu-Glu)**

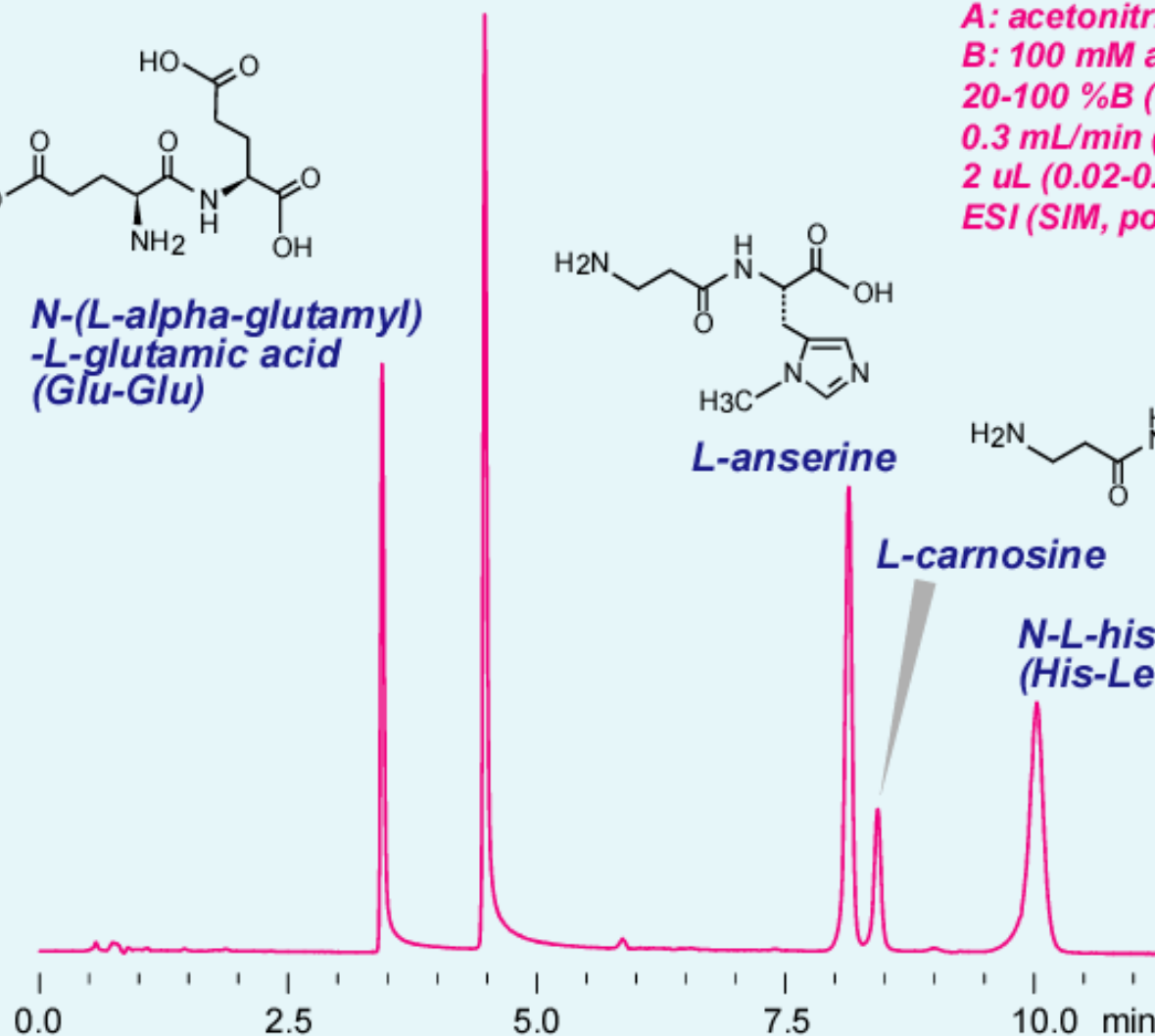
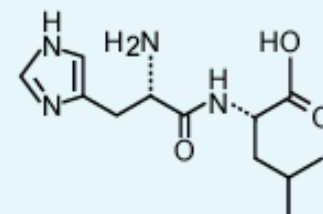


L-anserine



L-carnosine

**N-L-histidyl-L-leucine
(His-Leu)**



Amino acids in human serum (HClO₄)

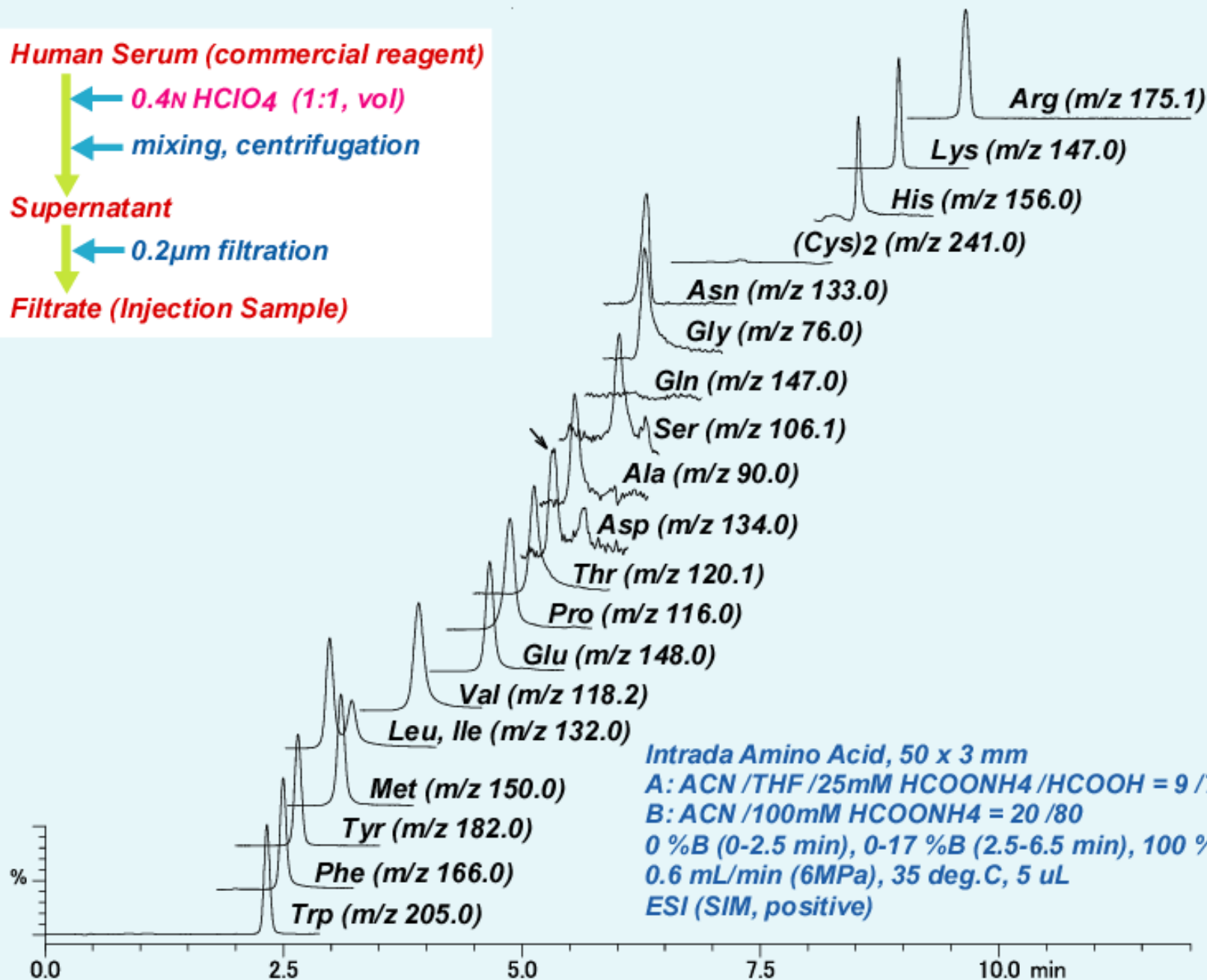
Human Serum (commercial reagent)

← 0.4N HClO₄ (1:1, vol)
← mixing, centrifugation

Supernatant

← 0.2μm filtration

Filtrate (Injection Sample)



Intrada Amino Acid, 50 x 3 mm

A: ACN / THF / 25mM HCOONH₄ / HCOOH = 9 / 75 / 16 / 0.3

B: ACN / 100mM HCOONH₄ = 20 / 80

0 %B (0-2.5 min), 0-17 %B (2.5-6.5 min), 100 %B (6.5-10 min)

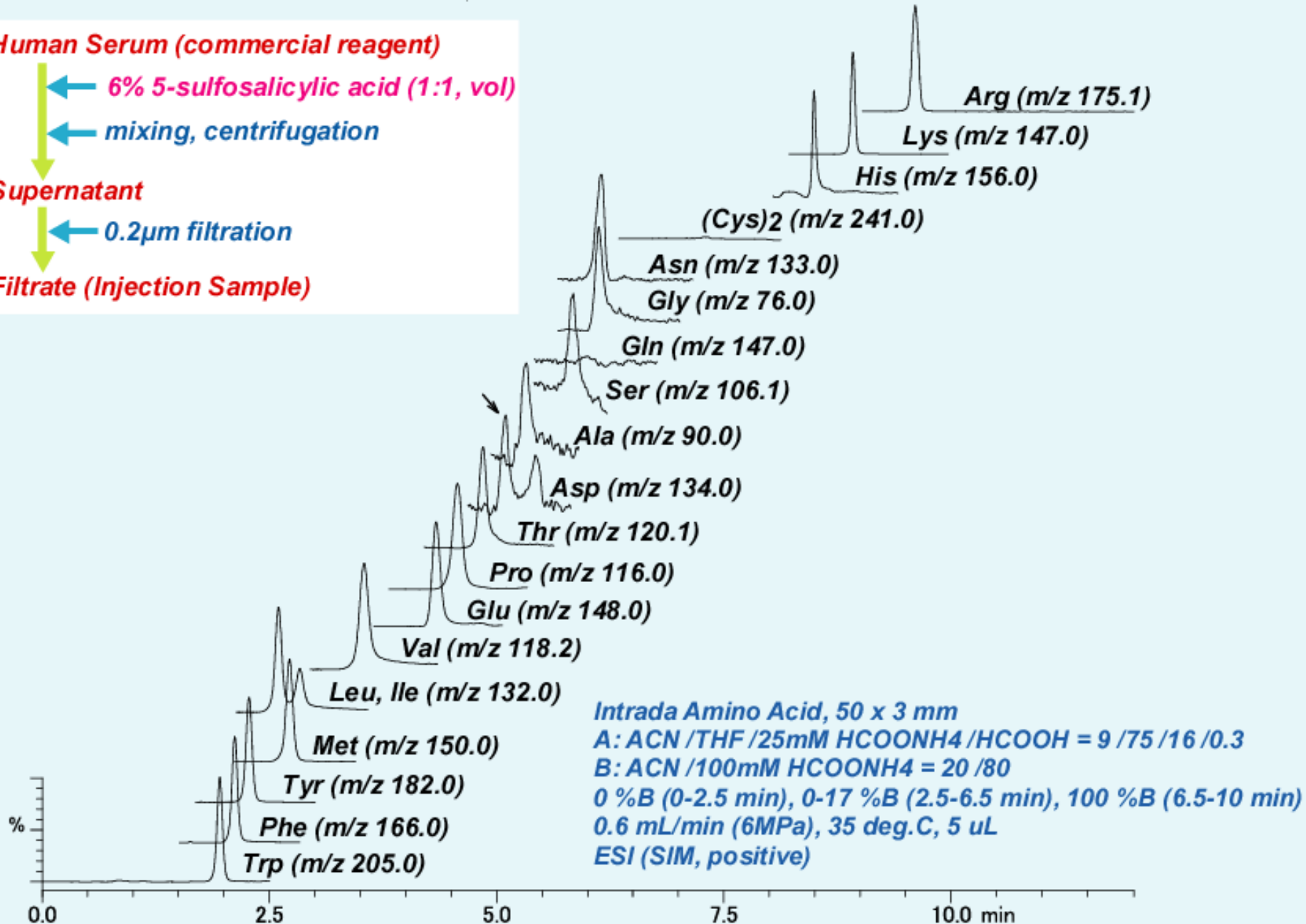
0.6 mL/min (6MPa), 35 deg.C, 5 μL

ESI (SIM, positive)



Amino acids in human serum (SULFOSALICYLIC ACID)

Human Serum (commercial reagent)
← 6% 5-sulfosalicylic acid (1:1, vol)
← mixing, centrifugation
Supernatant
← 0.2µm filtration
Filtrate (Injection Sample)



LC-MS Analysis for amino acids and catecholamines in rat pituitary

Determination of Neuronal Peptides and Catecholamines and Effects of Diethylstilbestrol on Male Rat Pituitary

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ACMS2013 (61st), Sept 10, 2013, Tsukuba, Japan

The separation was achieved using an Intradia Amino Acid

(100 x 3 mm 3µm particle size, Imtakt)

(A) CH₃CN / THF / 25mM HCOONH₄ / HCOOH=10 / 80 / 10 / 0.4

(B) CH₃CN/100mM HCOONH₄ = 20/80

0 %B (0-1 min)

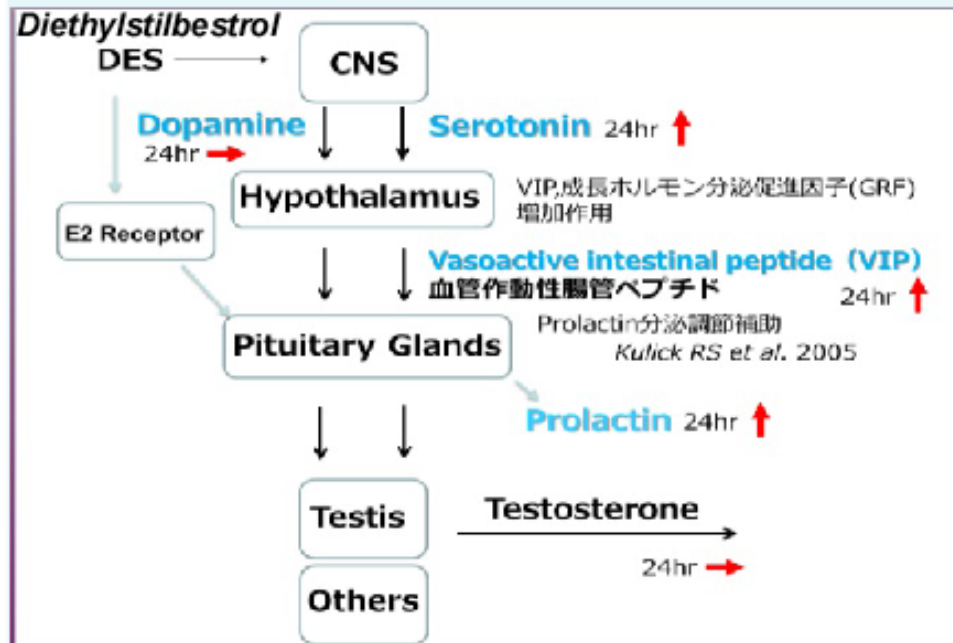
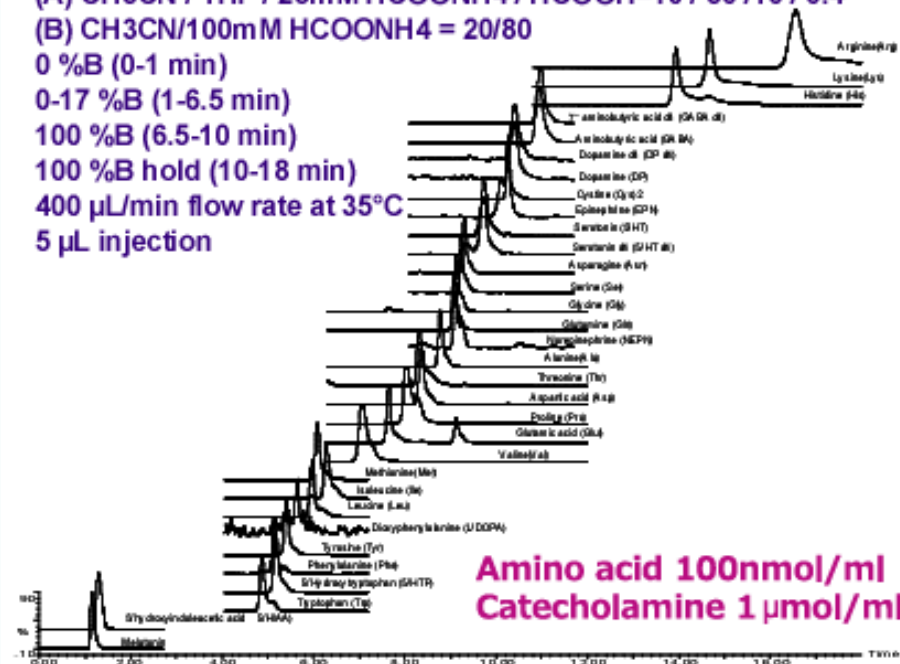
0-17 %B (1-6.5 min)

100 %B (6.5-10 min)

100 %B hold (10-18 min)

400 µL/min flow rate at 35°C

5 µL injection



Determination procedure for neuronal peptides and catecholamines were developed by MS analysis. The regulatory factors for prolactin induction mediated by diethylstilbestrol were analyzed by LC-MS analysis using the selected reaction monitoring (SRM). Dopamine suppressing prolactin secretion did not decreased, on the other hand, vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP) which mediates the acute release of prolactin was increased in the pituitary glands of the DES- treated rats.



Conclusions

- *Intact amino acid analysis column for LC-MS*
- *Analysis time was less than 10min*
- *Available for both Single MS and Triple MS system*
- *Good results for linearity and repeatability*
- *Various column dimensions for isomers and dipeptides*
- *Available for practical samples like serum*