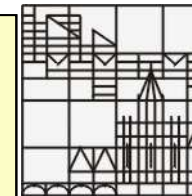


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**Online Biosensor- Mass Spectrometry:  
Simultaneous Detection, Structure Determination and Affinity  
Quantification of Protein-Ligand Interactions**

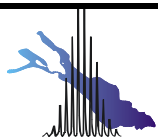
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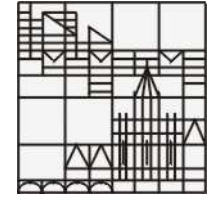
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# Why online Bioaffinity-MS ?

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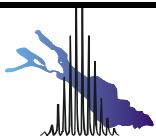
Ø Online HPLC-ESIMS:

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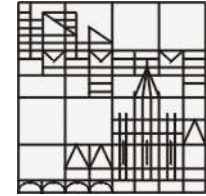
2014: Standard for separation/ quantification and identification of biopolymer mixtures

Ø Bioaffinity/biosensor determination of binding stoichiometry and affinity quantification of biopolymer - ligand interactions - **but no molecular structure identification & characterisation**

Ø Mass spectrometry: **Identification of structures/interaction partners** of protein-ligand complexes



# OVERVIEW

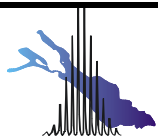


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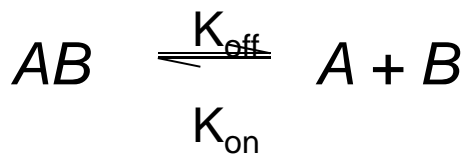
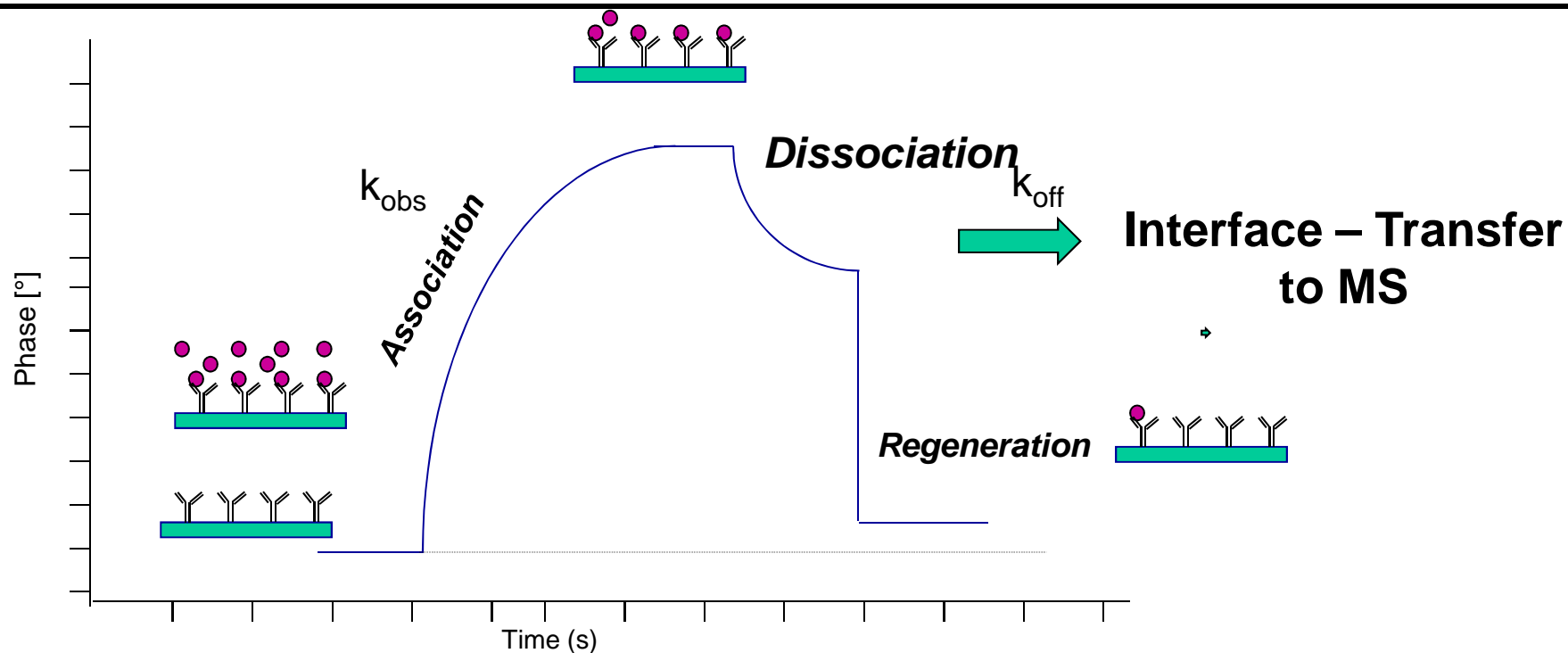
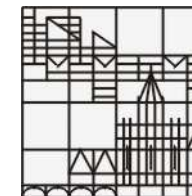
**Analytical Development - Interface**

## **II Application Examples:**

**Protein-antibody  
Protein-carbohydrate  
Parkinson's Protein  $\alpha$ -Synuclein**

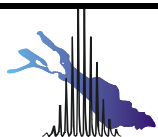


# Biosensor - dissociation step: Interface required in place of waste elution

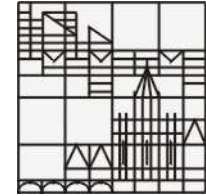


$$K_d = \frac{k_{off}}{k_{on}}$$

$k_{on}$  - association rate constant  
 $k_{off}$  - dissociation rate constant  
 $k_{obs}$  - pseudo-first order kinetic constant  
 $k_{obs} = c * k_{on} - k_{off}$



# Principles & goals of online Biosensor-MS combination

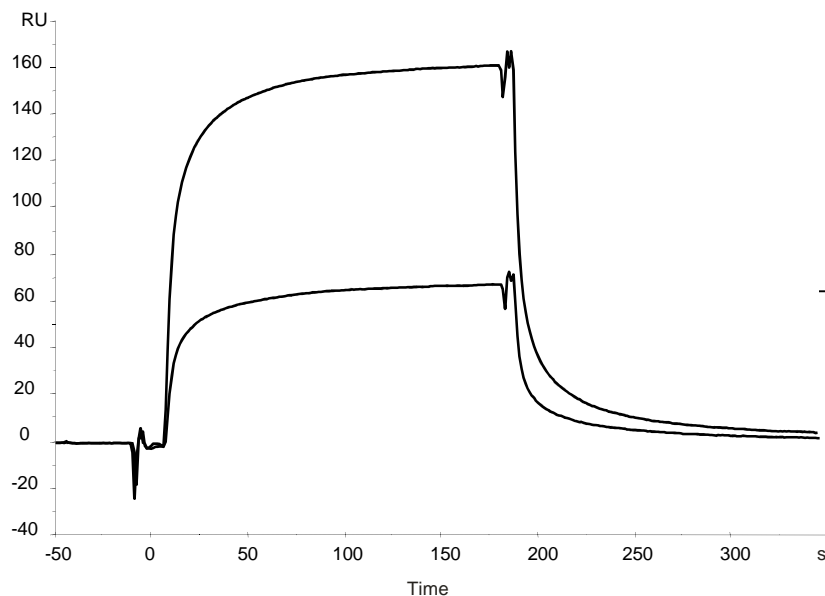


Screening of analytes at native conditions possible

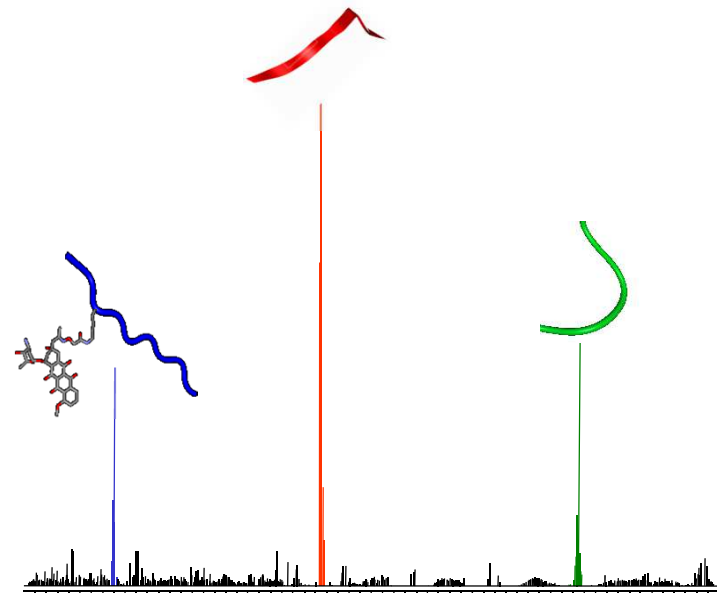
Identical analysis conditions for proteins, glycans, nucleic acids, lipids etc.

Correlation of bioaffinity (SPR, SAW) and molecular structure (MS) information

Automated and unsupervised MS analysis



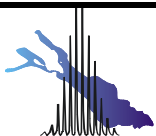
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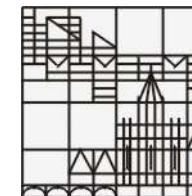
Epitope ligand mapping

Peptide ligand molecular differentiation

mixture analysis



# HPLC vs. SPR-MS features comparison



## A) Sample composition

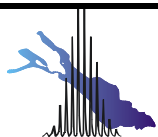
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### HPLC-MS

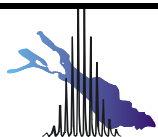
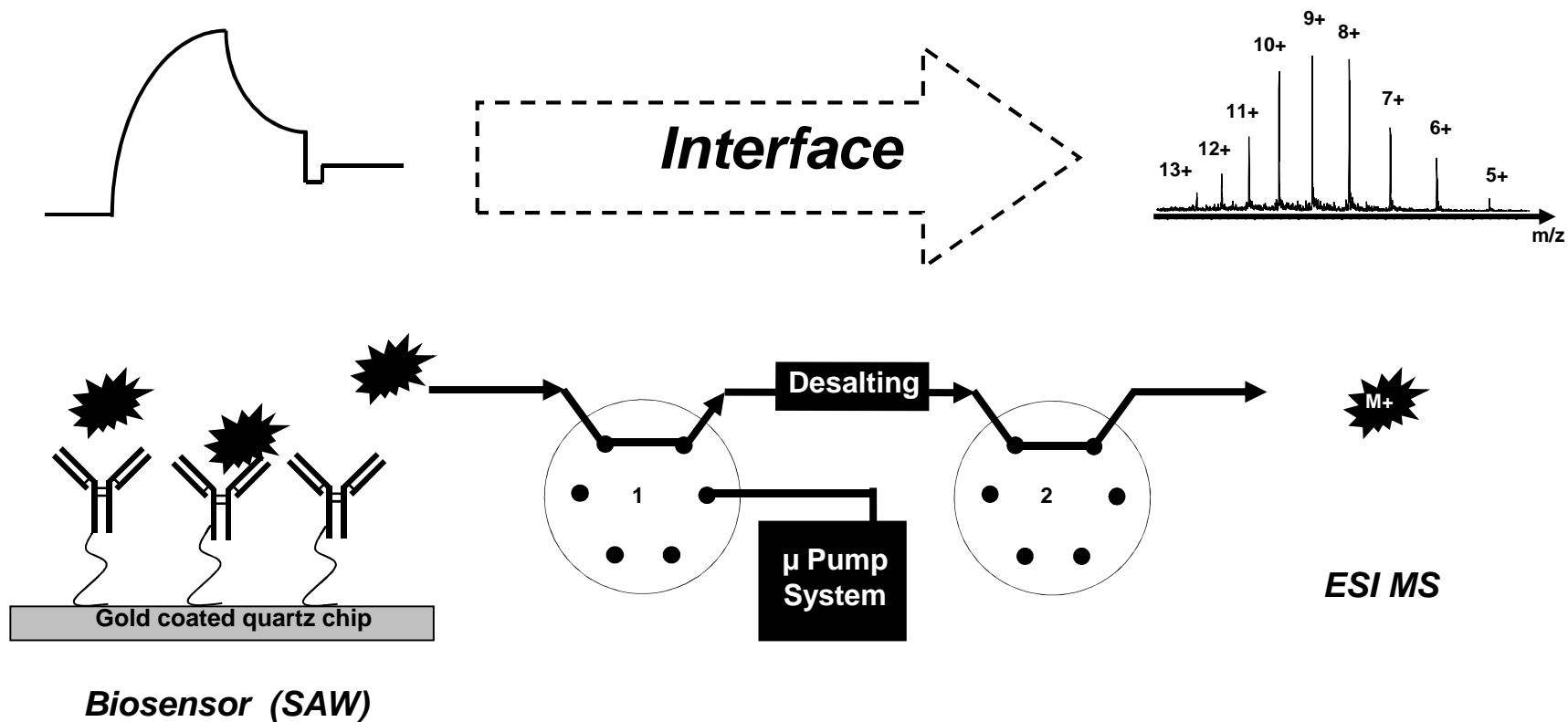
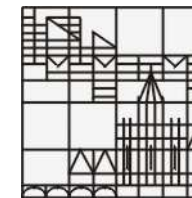
- Needs soluble homogenous samples
- Needs precise protocols for sample prep

### Biosensor-MS

- Can handle complex biological materials
- Needs little or no sample prep



# AFFYMS-I: Interface for desalting/affinity-capture & microfluidic transfer enables online-biosensor-MS



# Scheme of Biosensor- MS interface

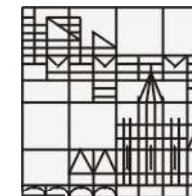
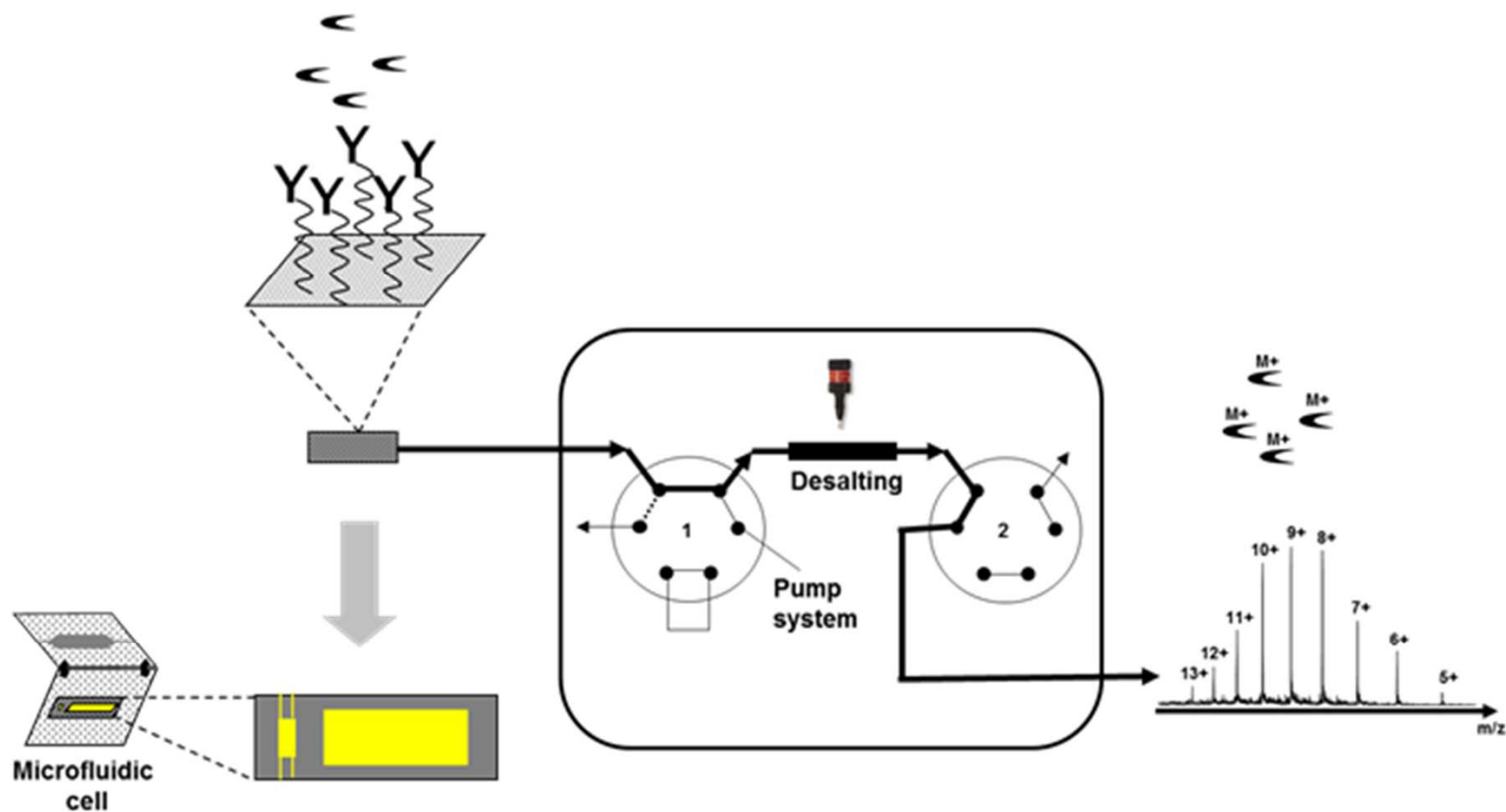


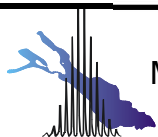
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Biosensor

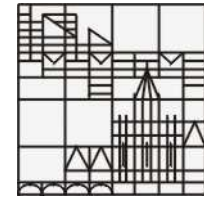
Interface

ESI - MS

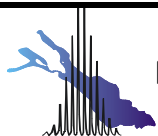
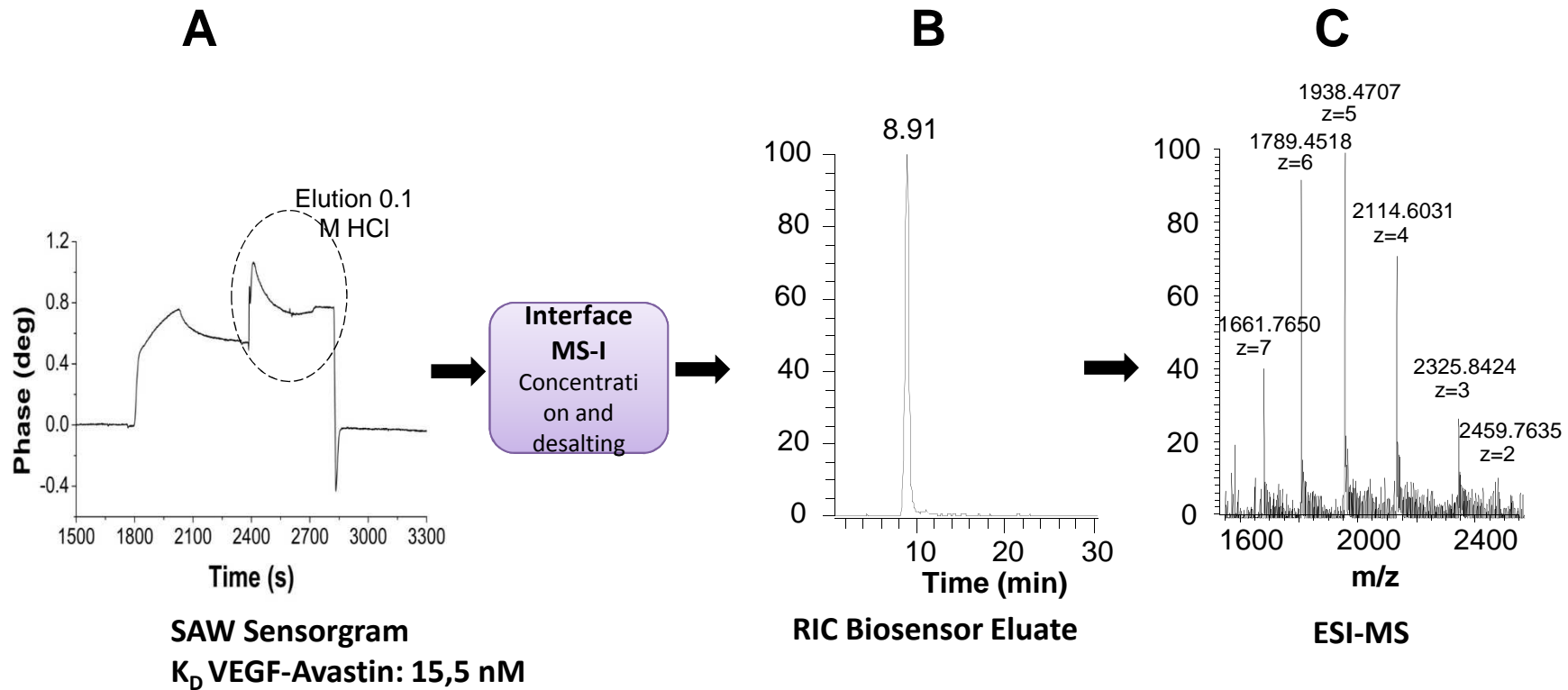




# Online SAW-Biosensor- MS: Avastin- Antibody Complex with Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)



VEGF  
M<sub>calc</sub> = 23250.78 Da  
M<sub>exp</sub> = 23250.19 ± 0.34 Da



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## **I Online Biosensor/SAW-MS Combination:**

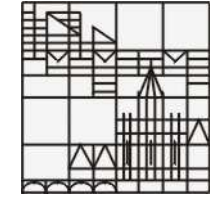
**Analytical Development - Interface**

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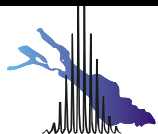
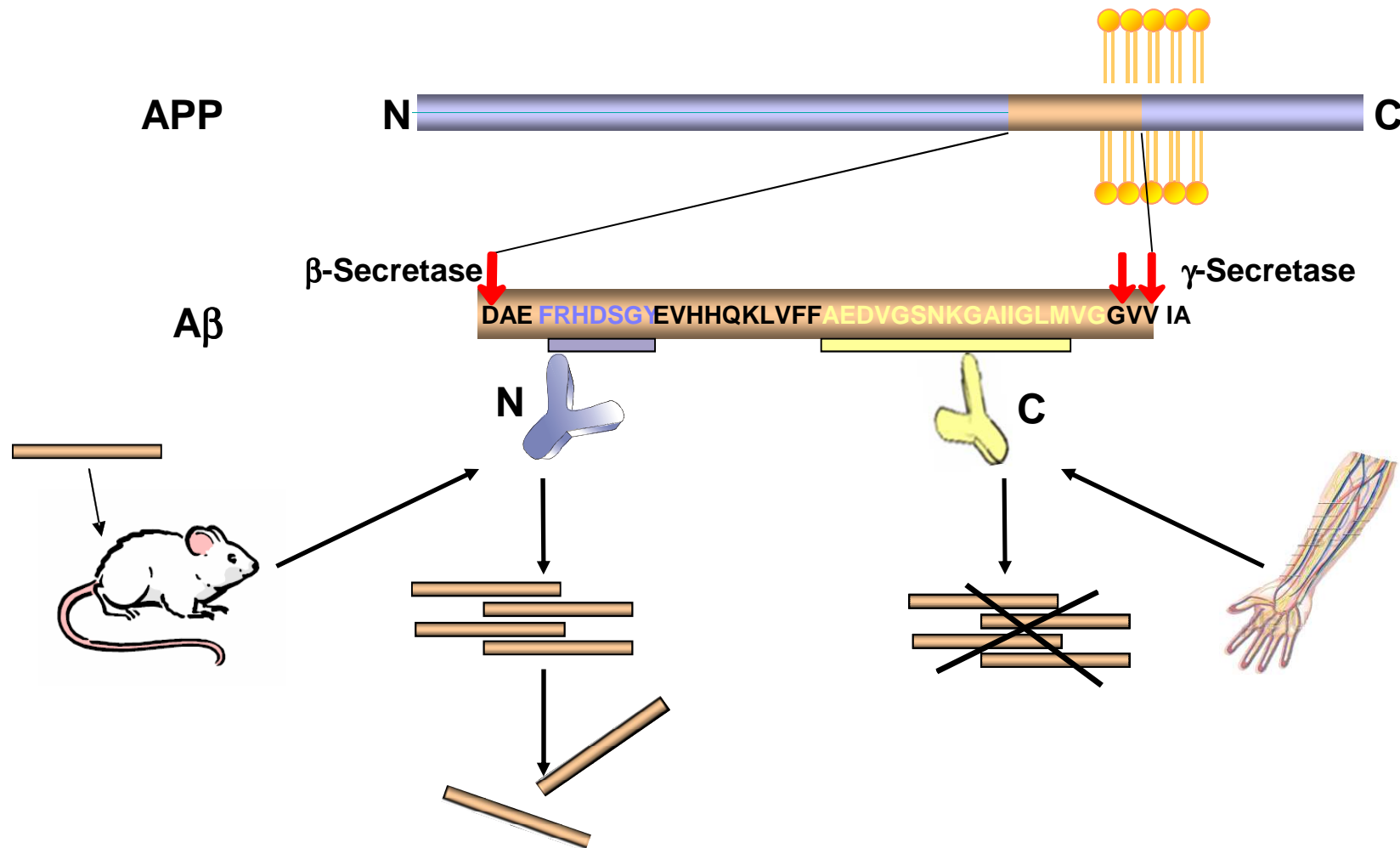
**A $\beta$ - antibody / Epitope determination**

**Lectin- carbohydrate / CRD peptides**

**Parkinson's Protein  $\alpha$ -Synuclein / in vivo**

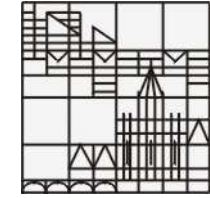


**„APPLICATION 1 Epitope Analysis of A $\beta$ - Antibodies**  
**„Plaque-specific“ A $\beta$ -antibodies: Recognition of N-terminal epitope**  
**„Plaque-protective“ A $\beta$ -autoantibodies: C-terminal, oligomer-specific epitope**



J. McLaurin et al, Nature Med (2002)  
M. Przybylski et al. EPA, US Patent (2010)

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# APPLICATION 1 Antibody- Epitope Identification

## Shielded proteolytic excision - basis for mass spectrometric epitope identification

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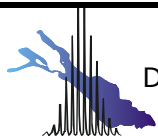
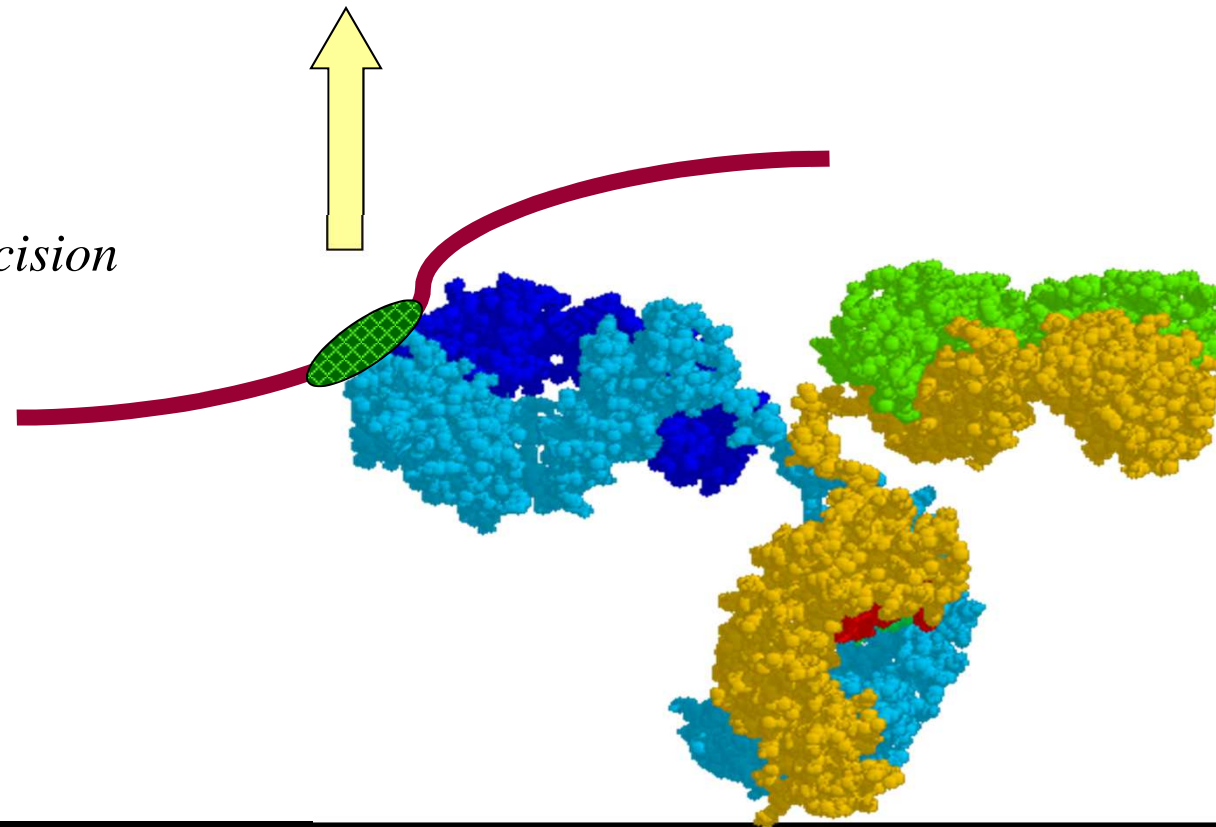
Preconditions:

Proteolytic stability of antibody

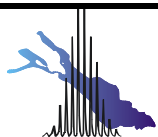
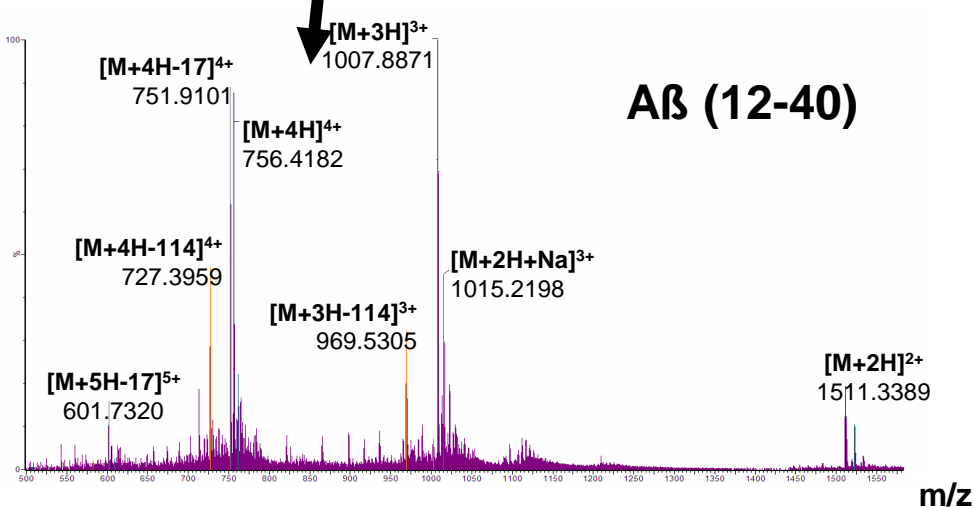
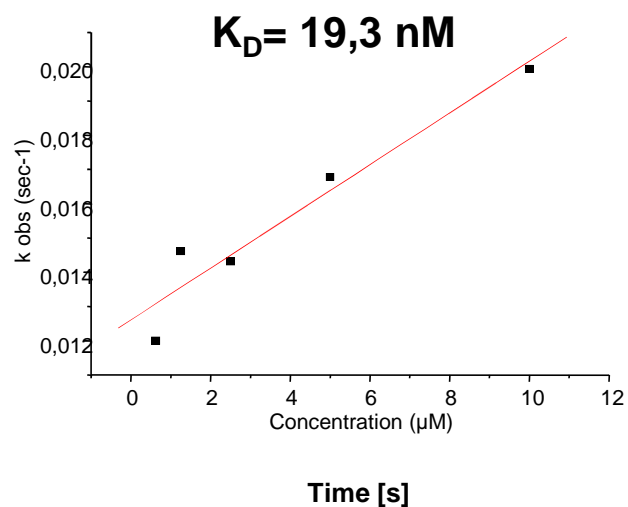
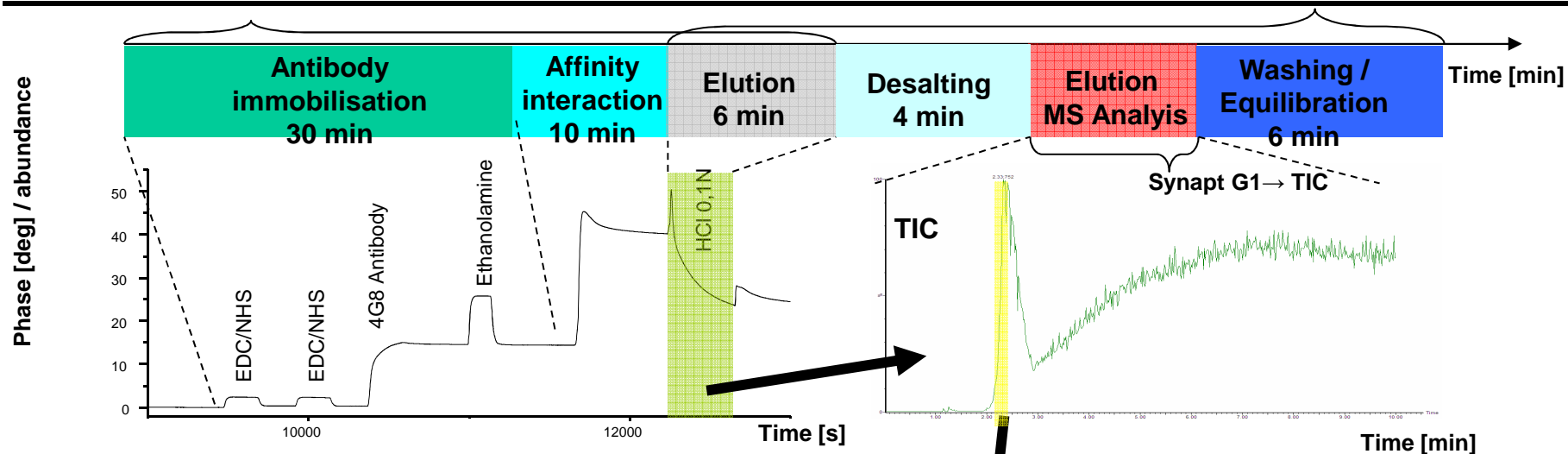
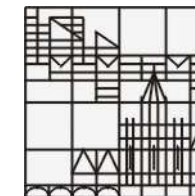
Epitope-Paratope Interaction shielded

Epitope peptide

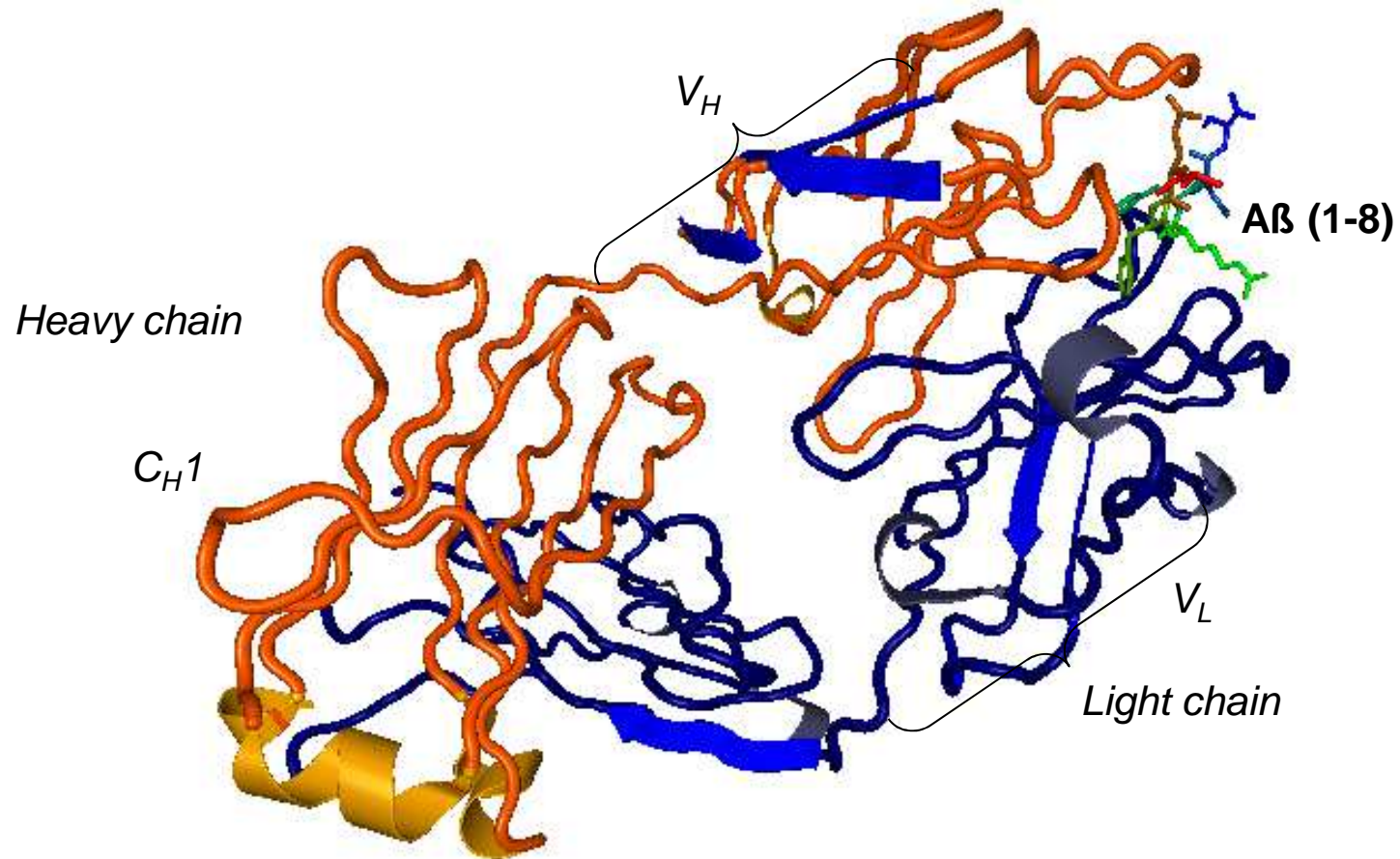
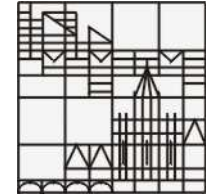
*Epitope Excision*



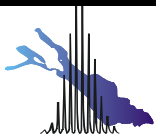
# A $\beta$ - Autoantibody/ A $\beta$ - Epitope Determination & Quantification using online- SAW- biosensor MS



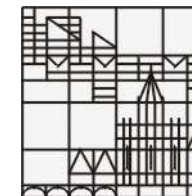
# Crystal structure of an A $\beta$ -plaque specific antibody complex with N-terminal A $\beta$ -epitope



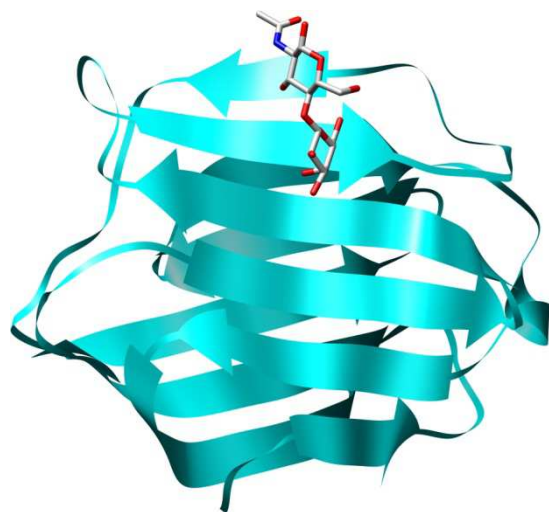
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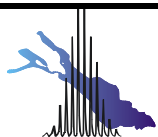
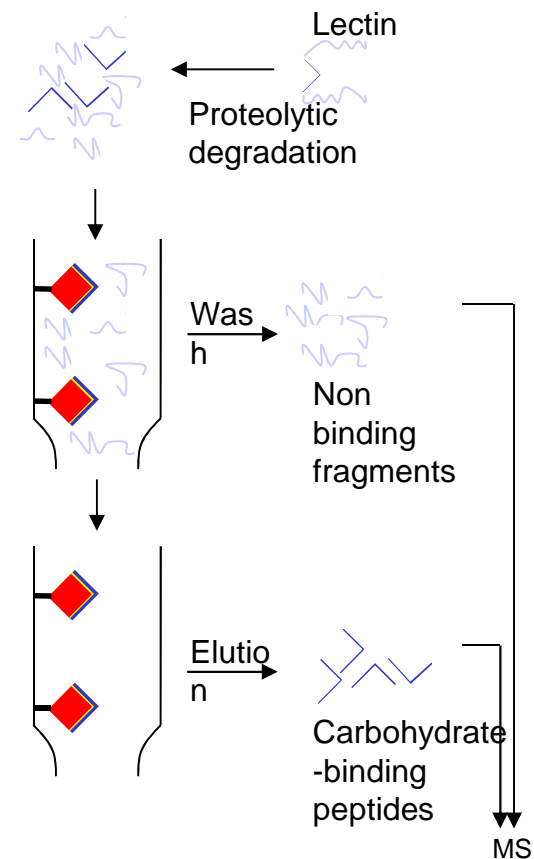
# Application 2: Lectin- Carbohydrate Ligand Epitopes CREDEX-MS



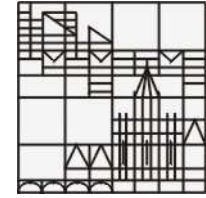
Galectins:  $\beta$ -galactosides-binding ability  
Highly conserved carbohydrate binding sites.



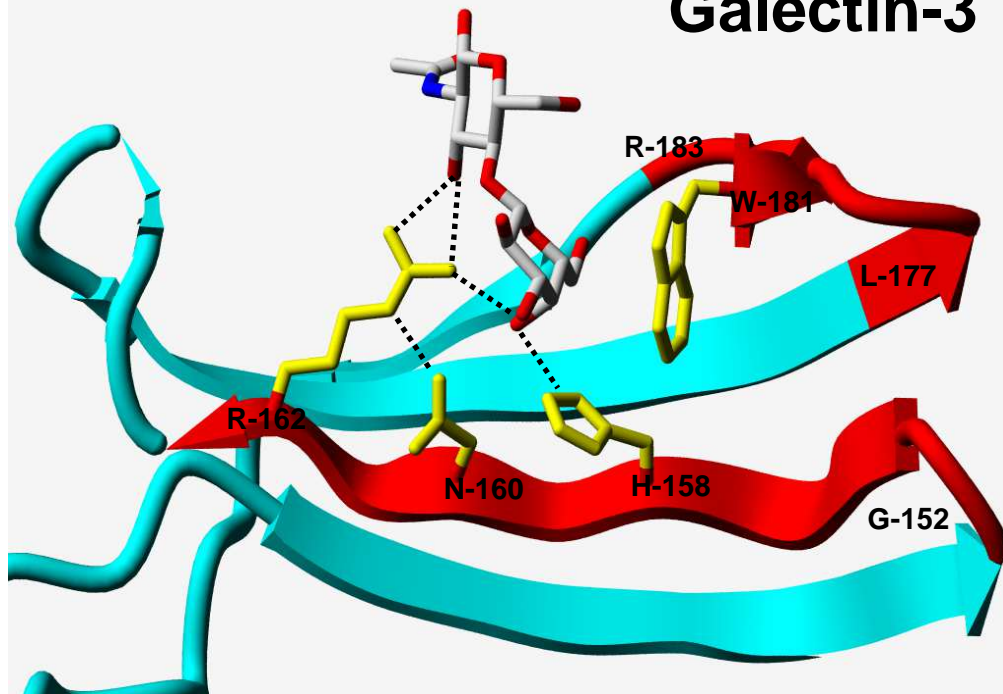
Galectin-3-LacNAc complex



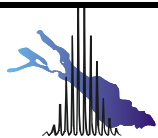
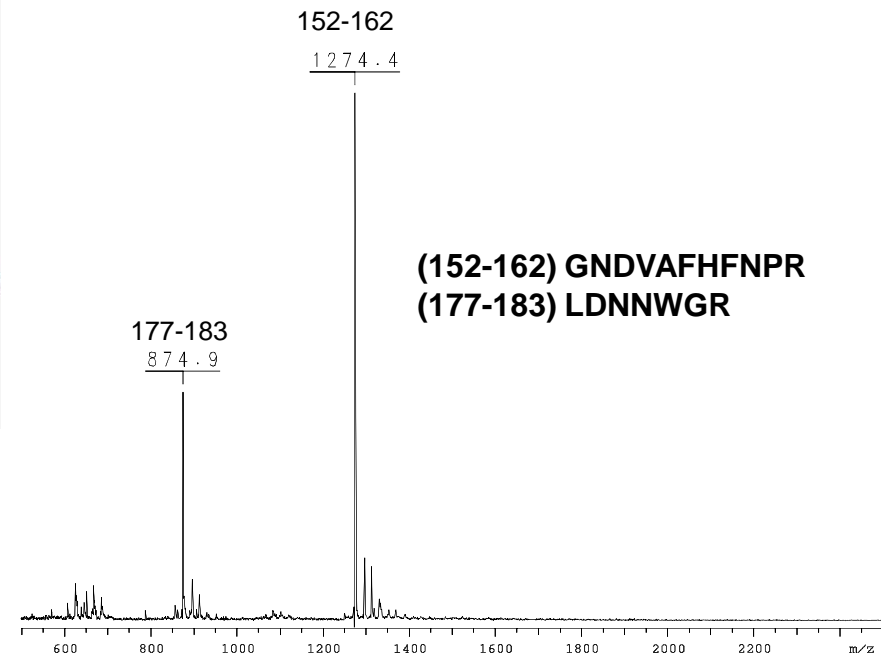
# Identification of Galectin- carbohydrate interaction structures by proteolytic excision- biosensor-MS (CREDEX-MS)



## Galectin-3 - Lactose complex

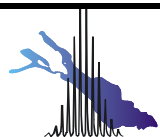
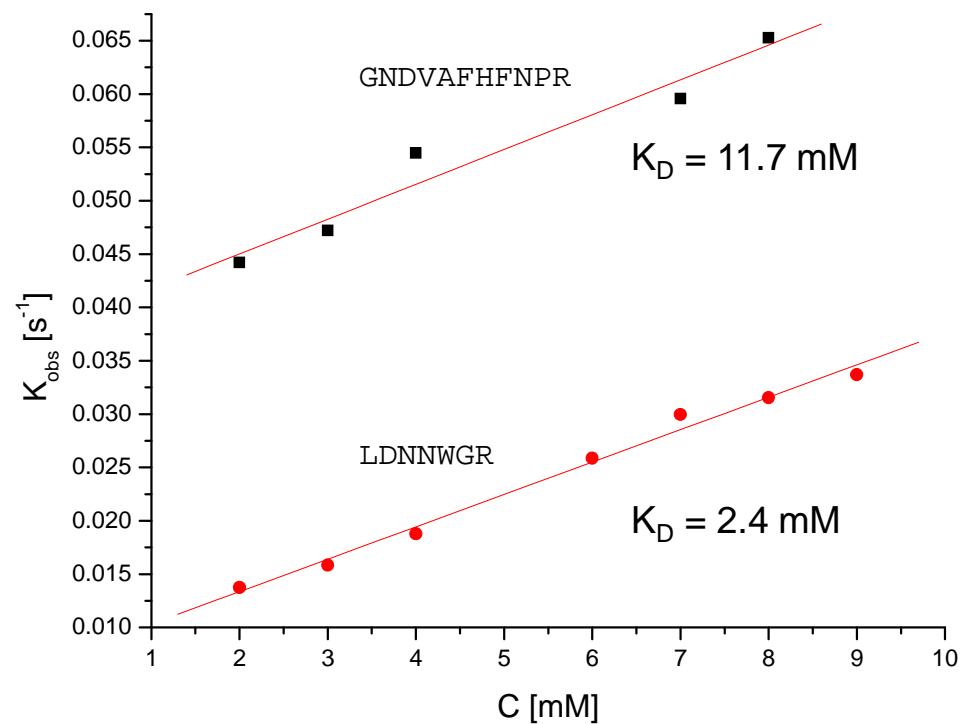
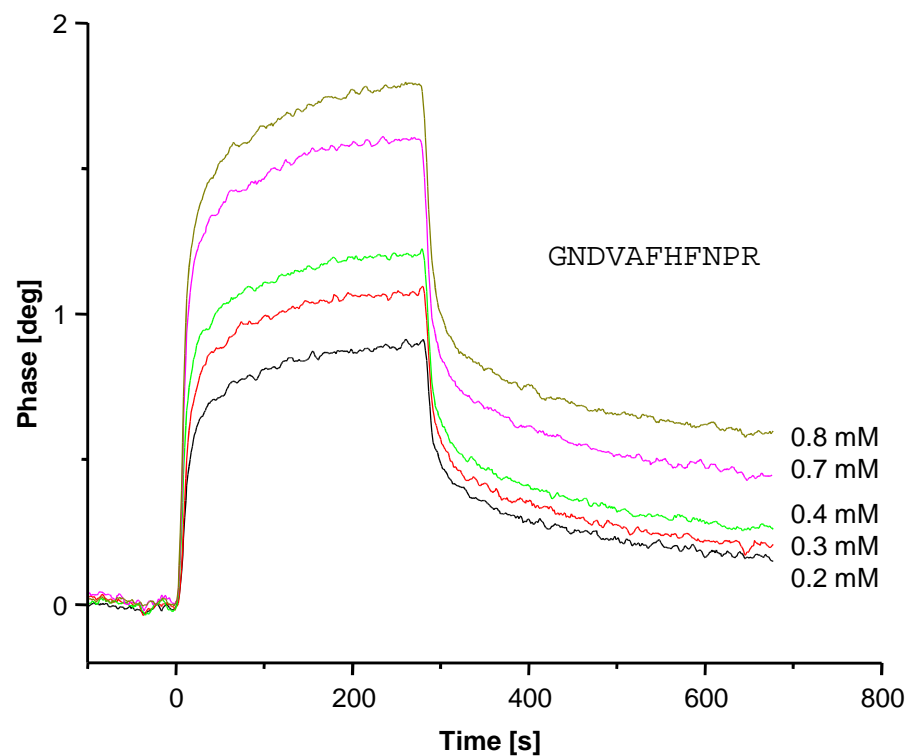
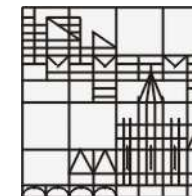


### CRD Epitopes

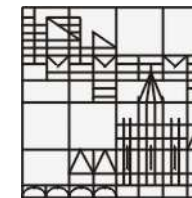




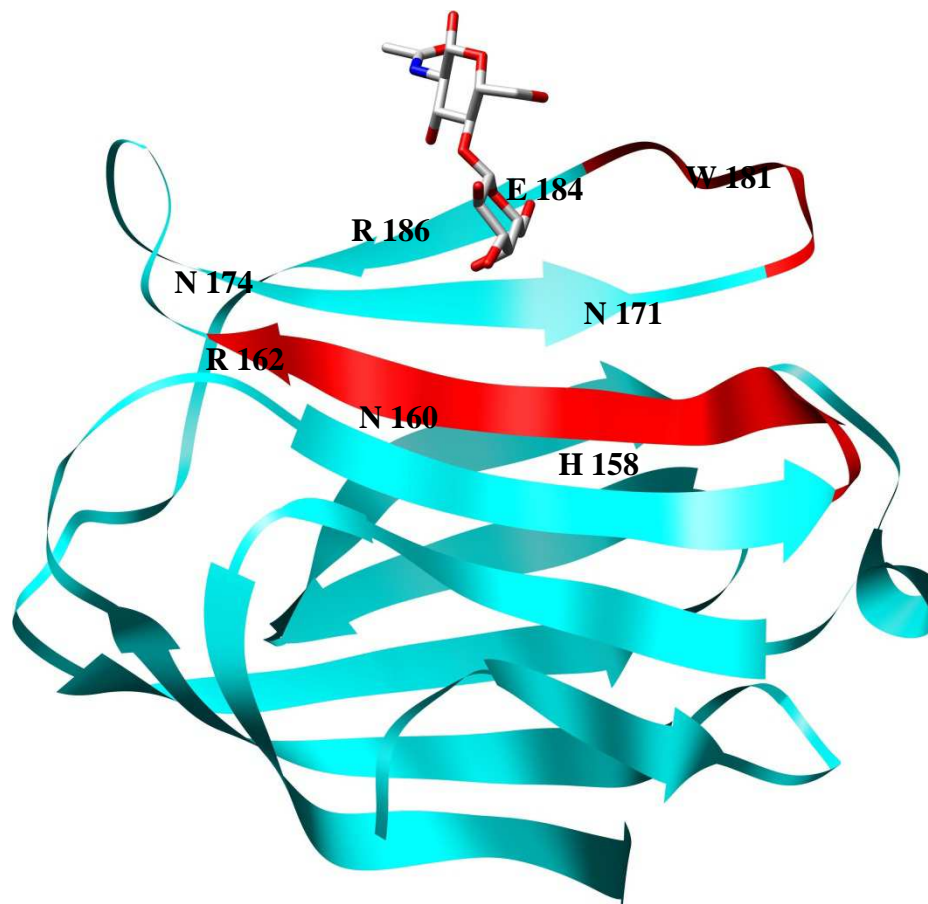
# Binding curves of SAW sensorgram and $K_D$ for CRD peptides



# CRD Peptides from CREDEX-MS in galectin-3 - COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

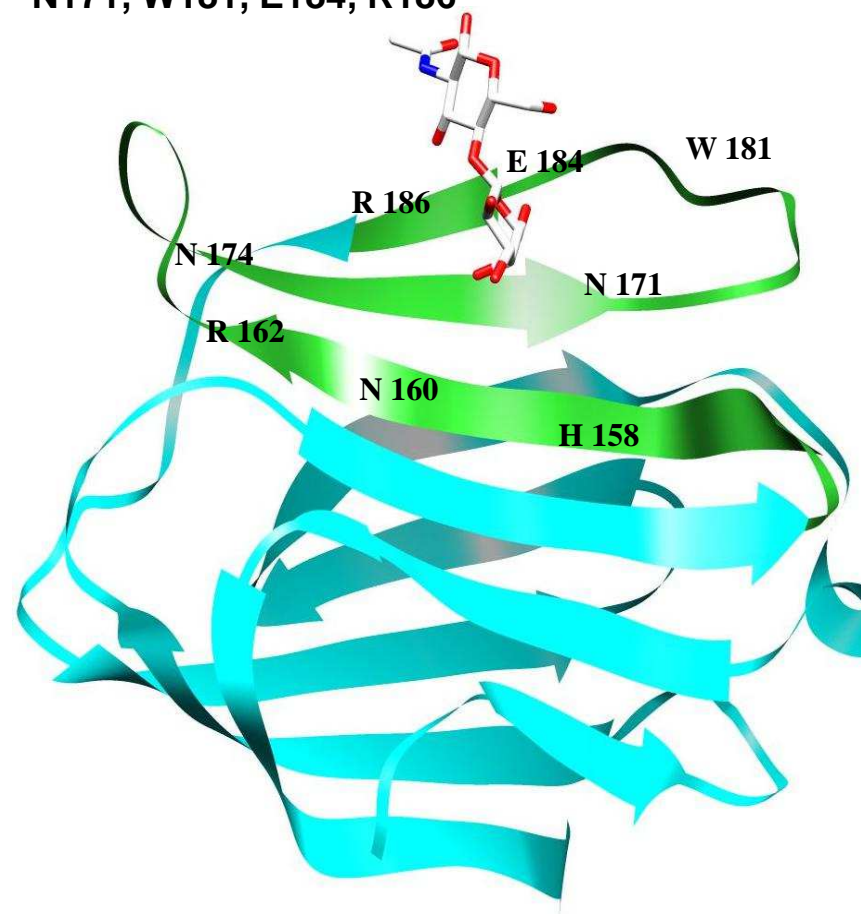


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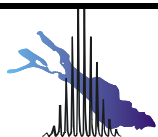


**Structure of galectin-3 complexed with LacNAc** (pdb file 1A3K).

**Crystal structure:** H158, N160, R162, N174, N171, W181, E184, R186



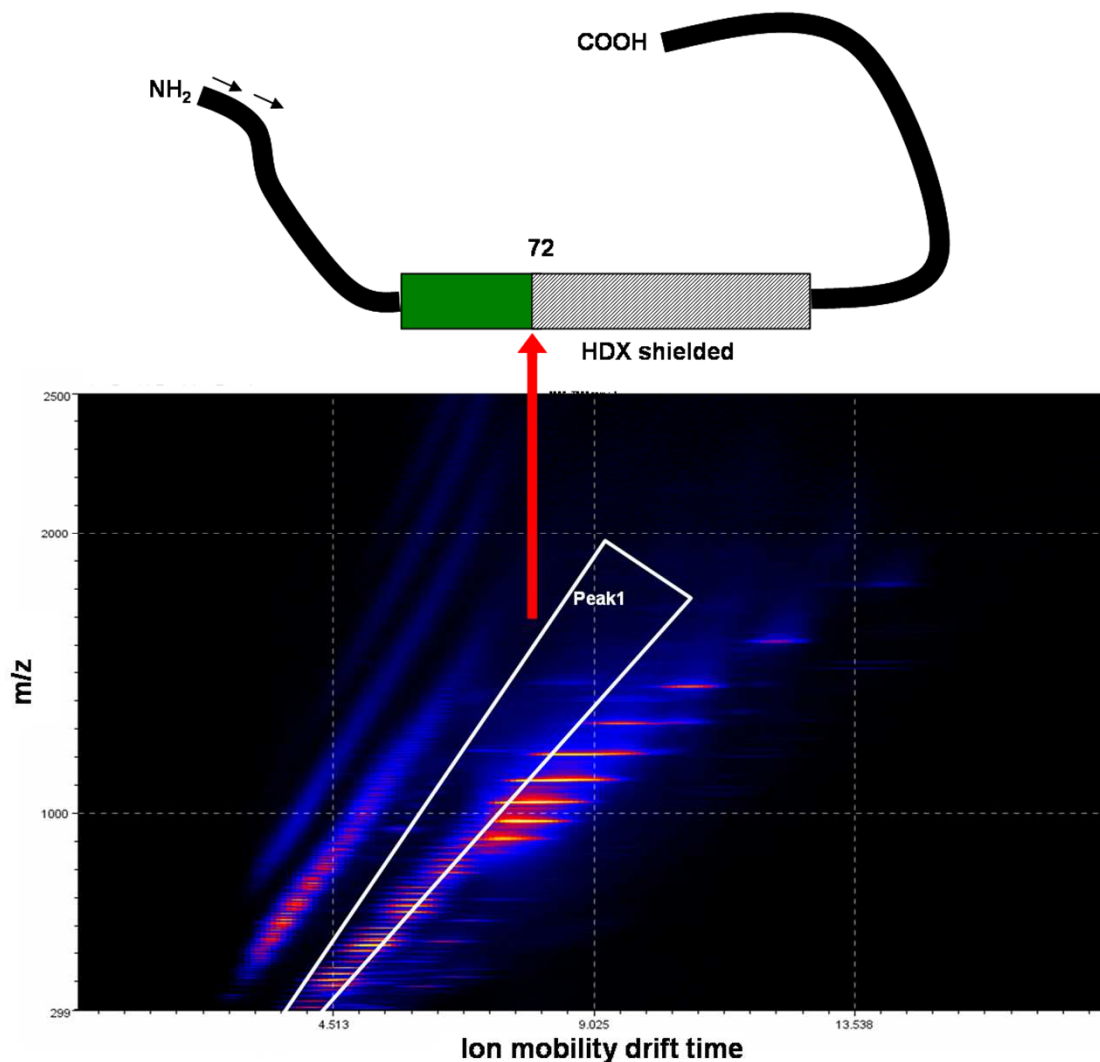
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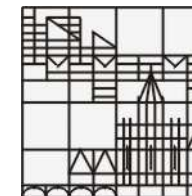
# Application 3 [Autoproteolytic Fragments are Intermediates in the Oligomerization- Aggregation of Parkinson's Disease Protein Alpha-Synuclein]

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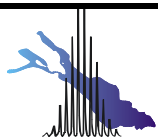
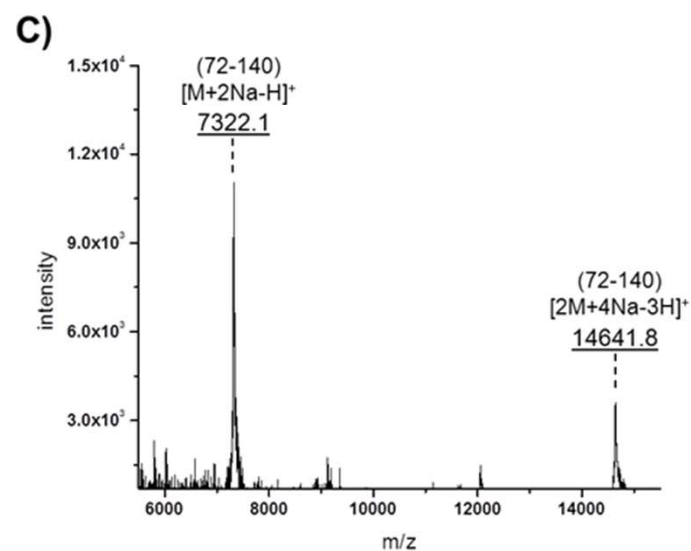
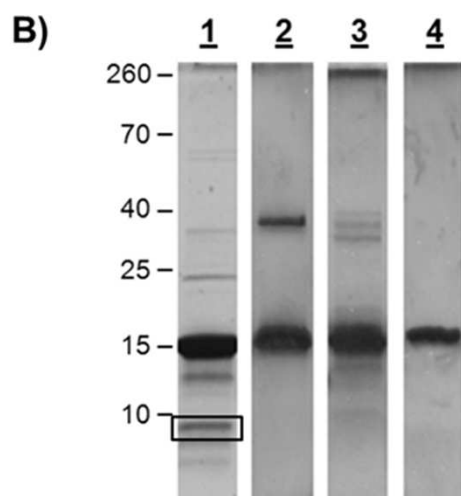
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# Fragmentation & Aggregation of physiological and pathological Synucleins: The $\alpha$ Syn tripeptide VVT(70-72)

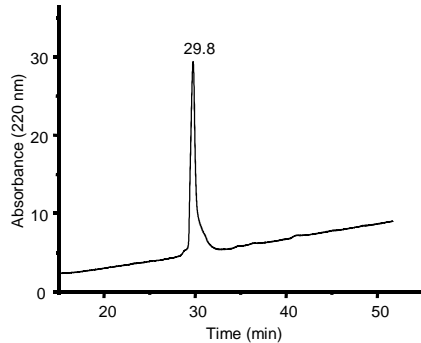
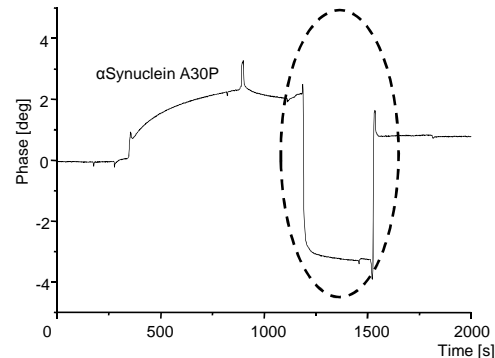
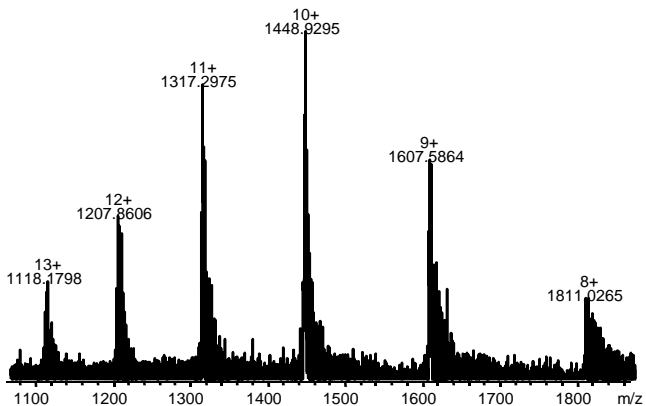
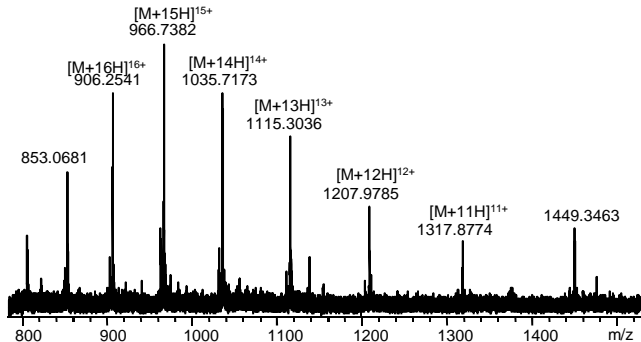


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  - 2**  $\alpha$ Syn NAN      $^1\text{M}\dots\text{K}^{61}\text{EQVTNVGGA}^{70}\mathbf{NAN}^{73}\text{GVTAVAQKTVEGAGSIA}^{90}\text{A}\dots^{140}\text{A}$
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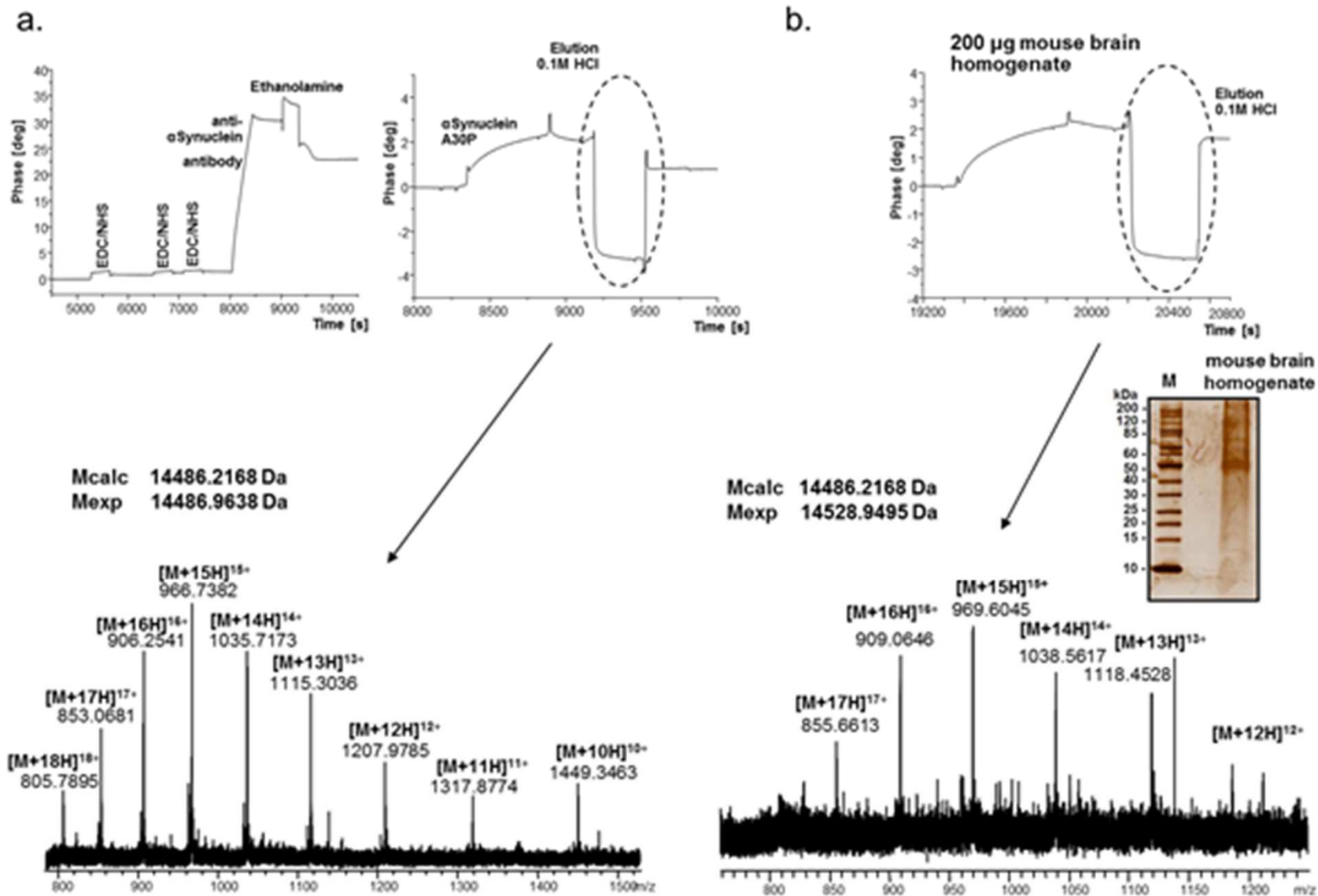
# HPLC-MS & Biosensor- MS features / Experimental comparison /

## Example: $\alpha$ -Synuclein – Parkinson's Disease Biomarker

	HPLC-MS	Biosensor/SAW-MS
Sample	Pure protein required	Biological samples feasible
Separation material	column specific for proteins needed	Antibody chip
Run time	ca. 50 minutes	< 30 minutes
Total time / costs	50 + 30 min (reconditioning) / x 100	30 + 0*
	* Interface washing and equilibration (10 min) is performed during next sample injection	
Chromatogram / Sensorgram		
Mass spectrum		
-molecular structure		

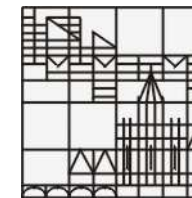
# Online SAW-affinity-MS of wt-aSyn in vitro (a) (b) In Vivo - mouse brain homogenate

Figure 3



# Summary - online- Biosensor-mass spectrometry

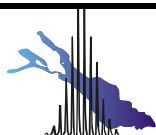
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- Biosensor analysis: Well-established technique for sensitive detection, real-time monitoring, quantification of biomolecular interactions
- - No chemical structure determination
- Proteins bound to molecules immobilized on the biosensor chip can be recovered but need to be identified separately (time consuming)

## Biosensor- MS: Provides Chemical structure determination

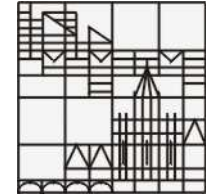
- Biosensor/SAW-MS Interface: Essential for [1] concentration, [2] desalting , [3] microfluidic online transfer from biosensor to mass spectrometer
- Biosensor-MS combination reveals biomolecular interactions and identification of binding partners in complex samples



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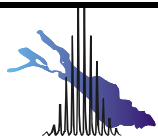
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