

Quantitative MALDI-TOF for Clinical Applications

Outline

- TOF-MS for clinical applications and for research
- Why is MALDI-TOF not quantitative?
- How do we make it quantitative?
- Some example of quantitative MALDI.

Major advances for practical MALDI-TOF for quantitative and clinical applications

- Lasers
- Digital electronics
- Ion detectors
- Ion optics
- Delayed extraction/time lag focusing
- Motion control
- DAC control of electronics
- Software, software, software

Lasers

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10-50 Hz

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NEW

Digitizers

TDC (time-digital convertor) <1 ion/channel/shot

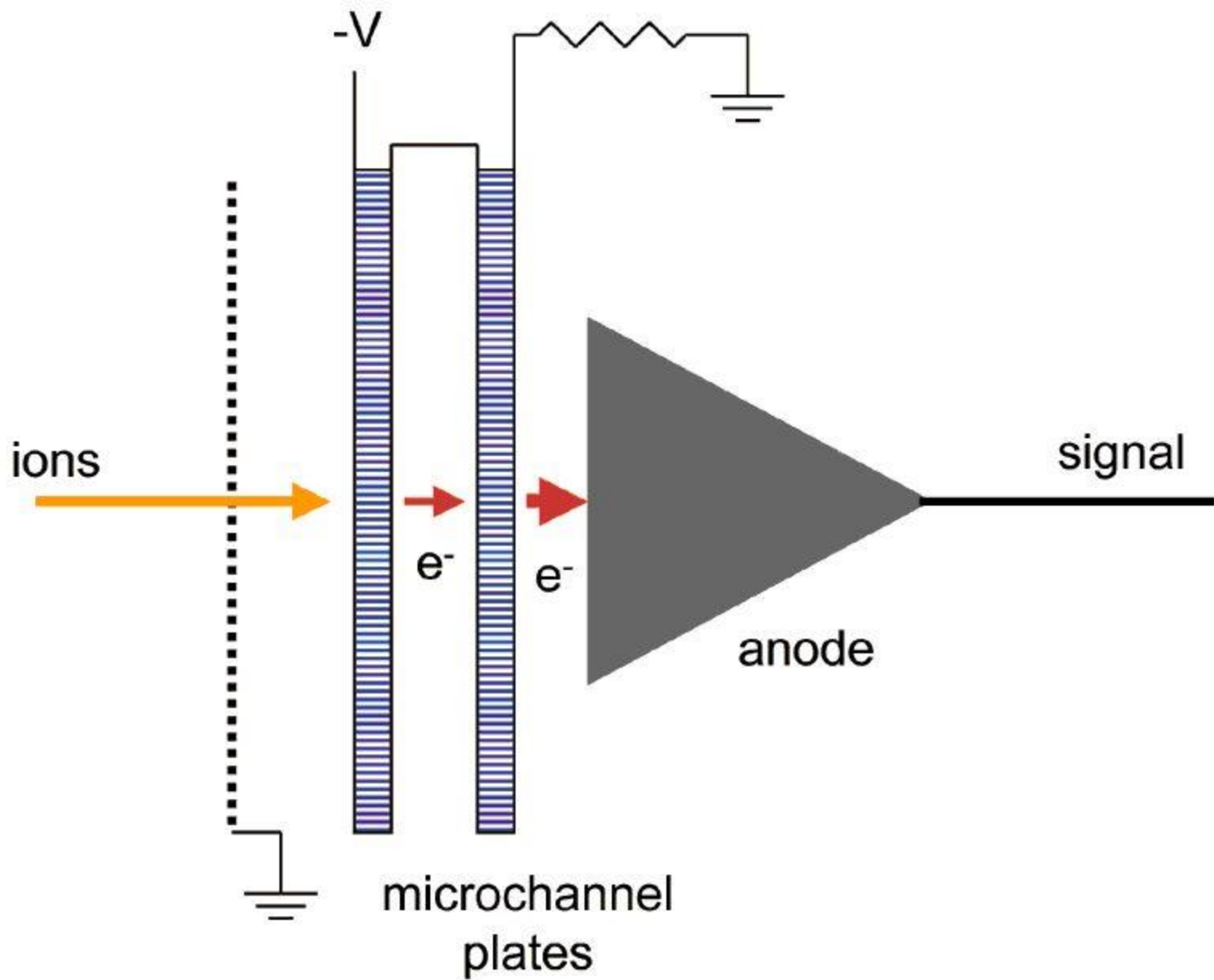
Transient Digitizer (digital oscilloscope)

OLD

NEW

Detectors

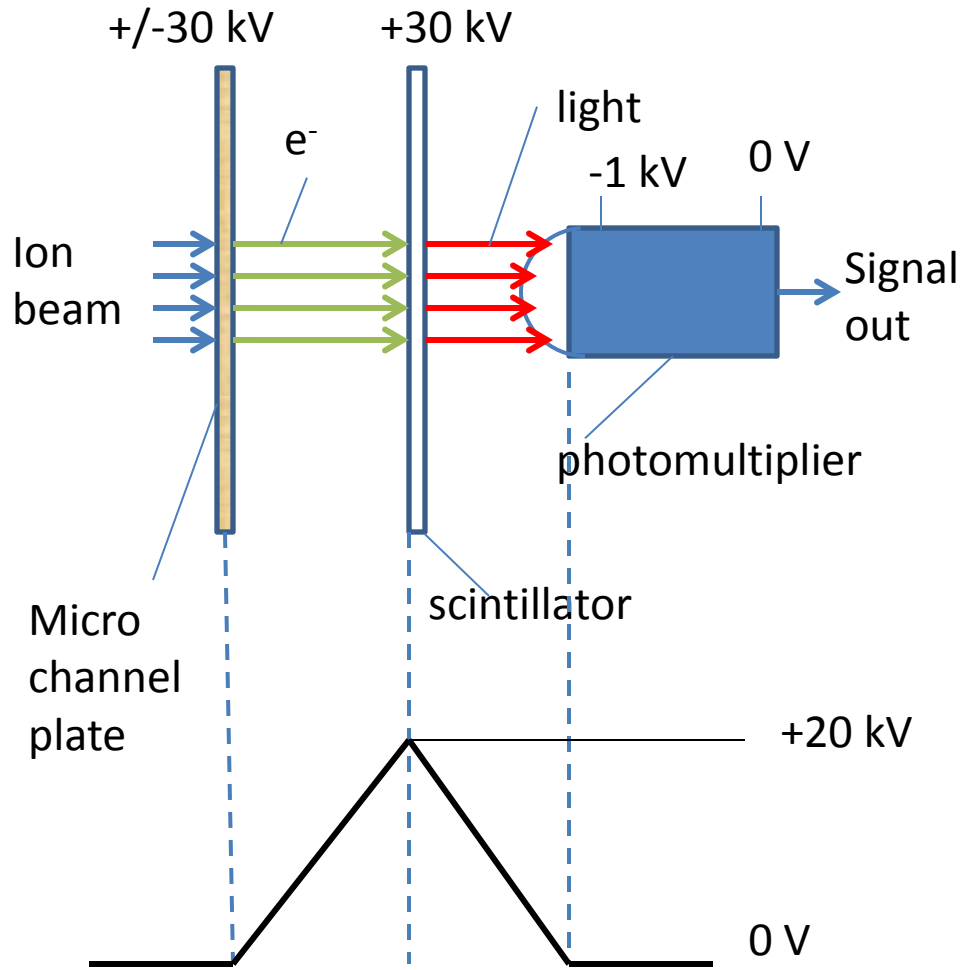
- Dual Channel Plate
 - Flat input surface
 - Very fast
 - Channels saturated by low mass ions
- Discrete Dynode
- Hybrid
- Exotic





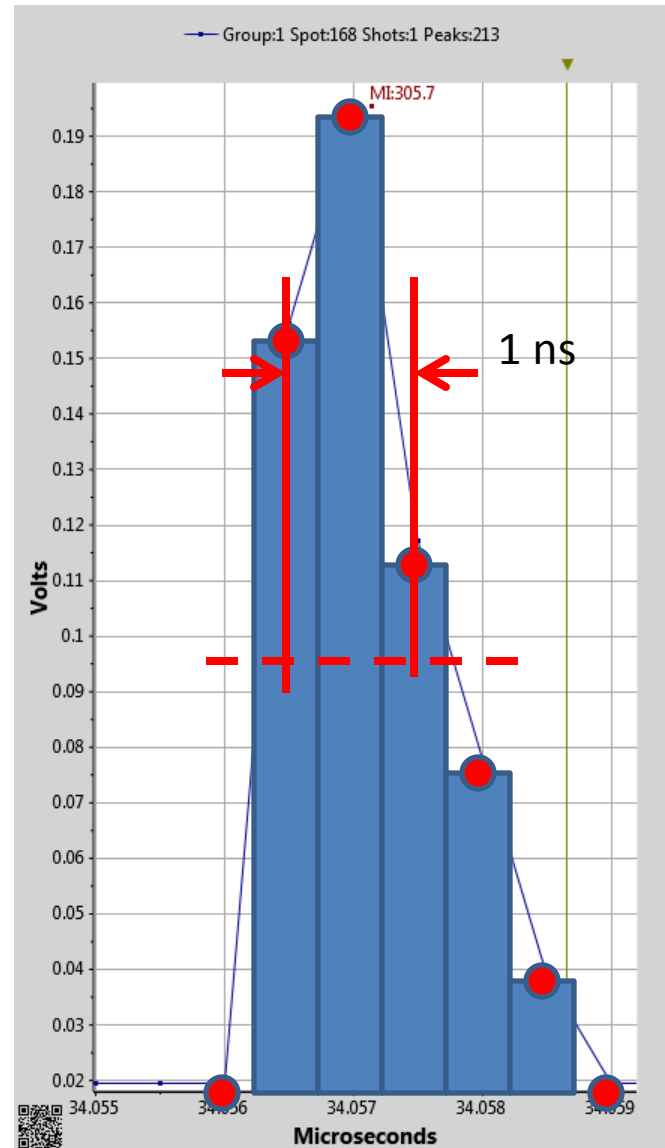
ETP 500 ps
Discrete dynode
Magnetic multiplier

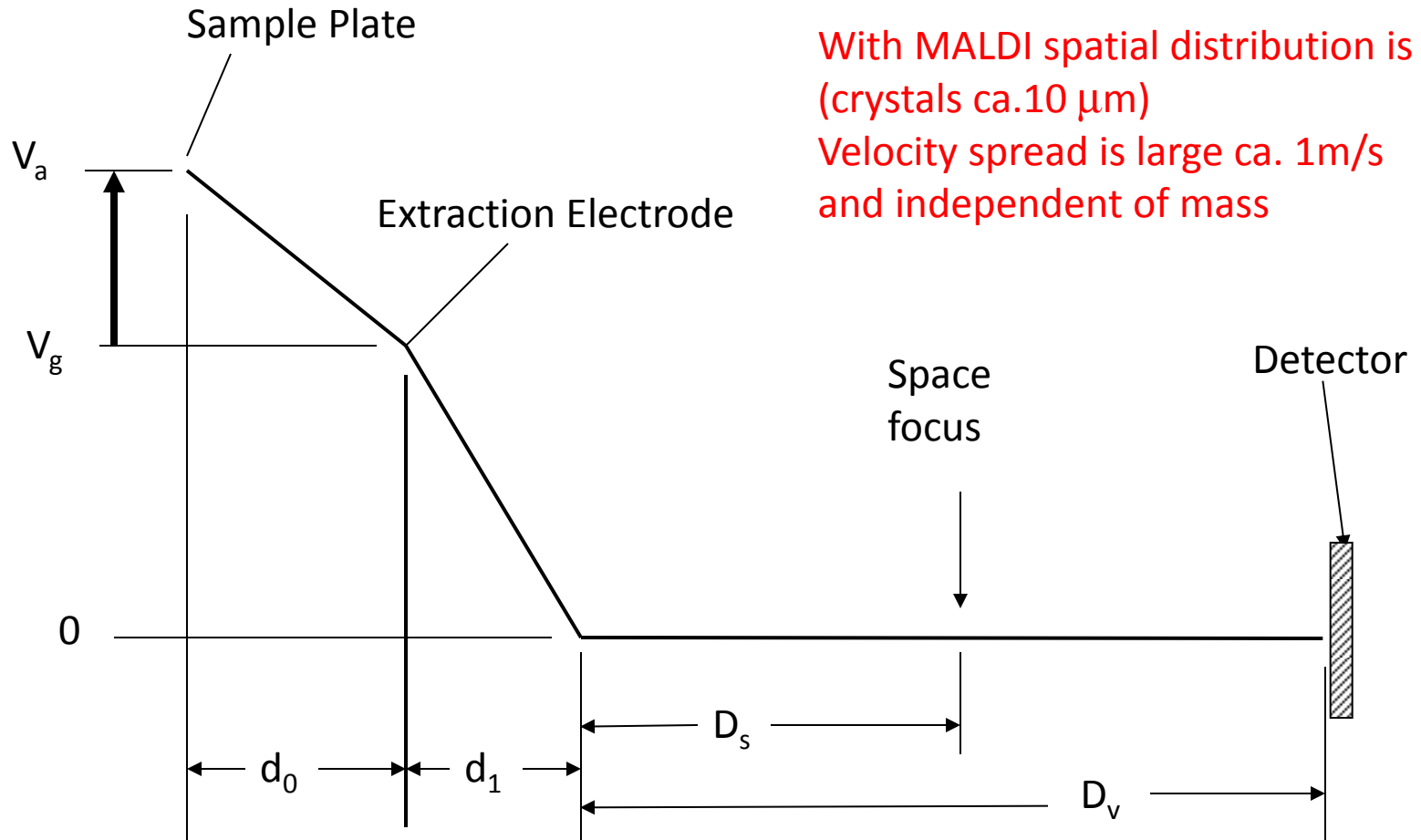
Photonis detector



Potential diagram for linear detector

Typical single ion pulse with fast scintillator

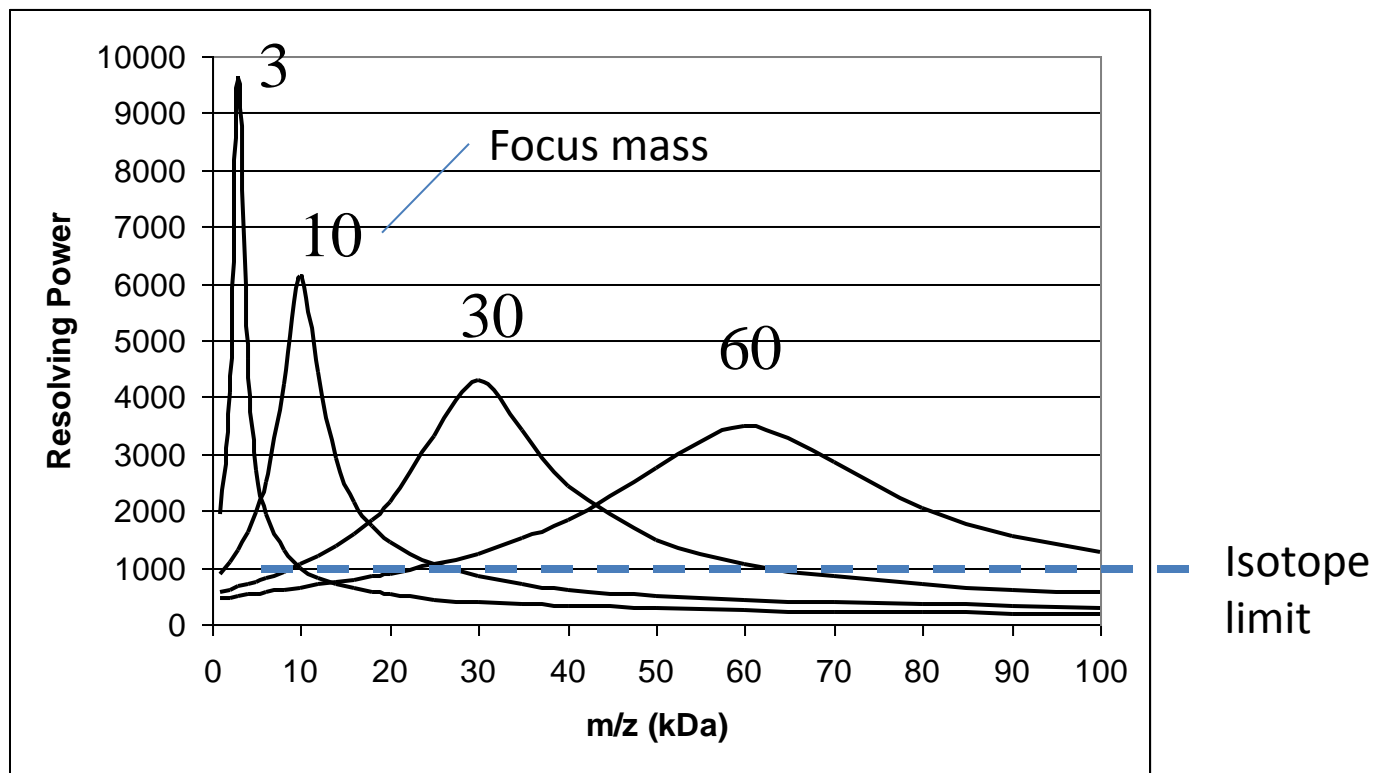




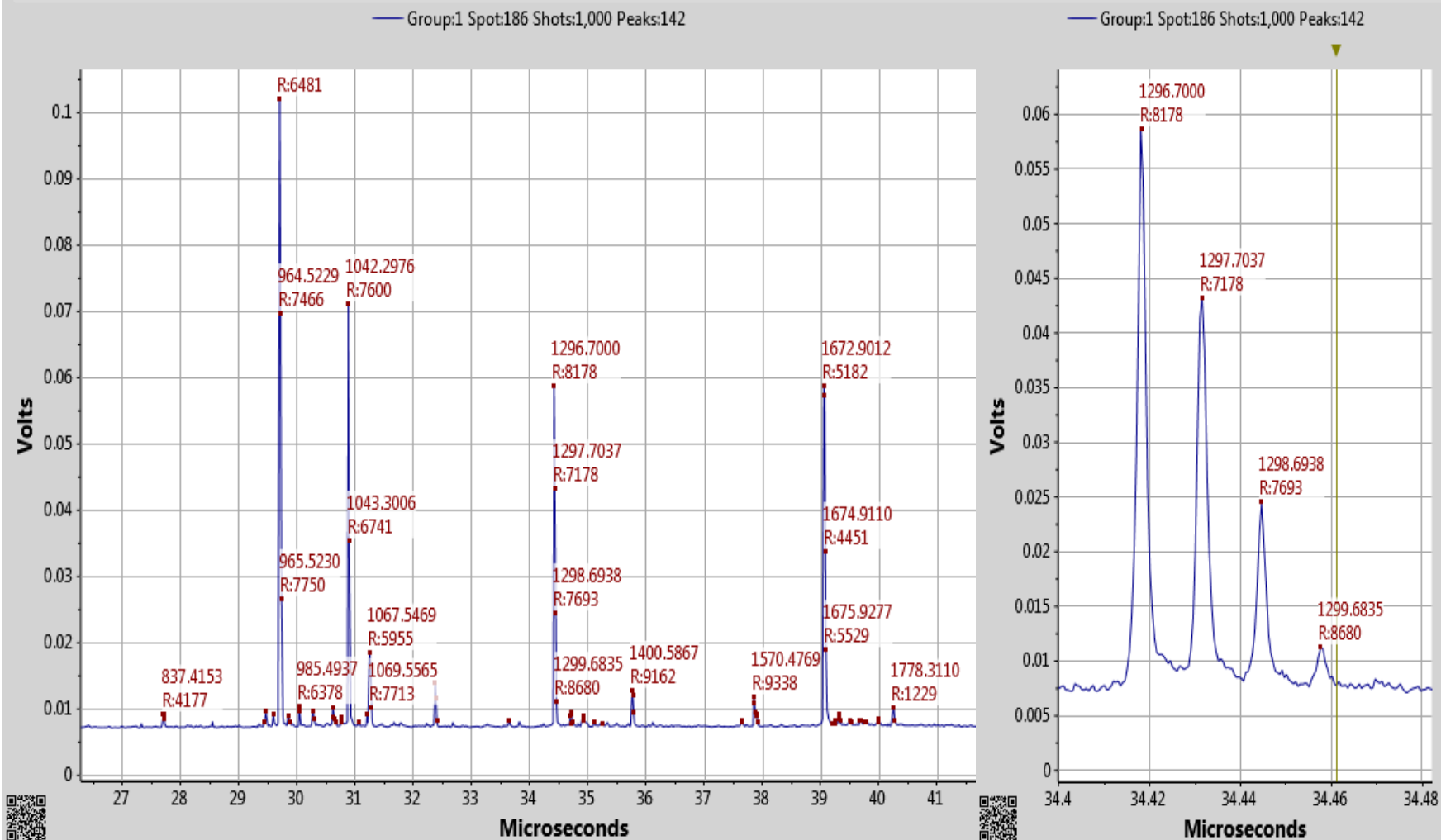
With MALDI spatial distribution is small
 (crystals ca. $10\ \mu\text{m}$)
 Velocity spread is large ca. 1m/s
 and independent of mass

Brown & Lennon 1992, Delayed extraction

Wiley & McLaren 1953, Time lag focusing



Maximum Resolving Power for Linear Analyzer.



Peptide mass spectrum for modern optimized linear analyzer with effective length of 1.6 m operating at 10 kV. M. L. Vestal and K. Hayden, *Int. J. Mass Spectrometry* **268**, 83-92 (2007).

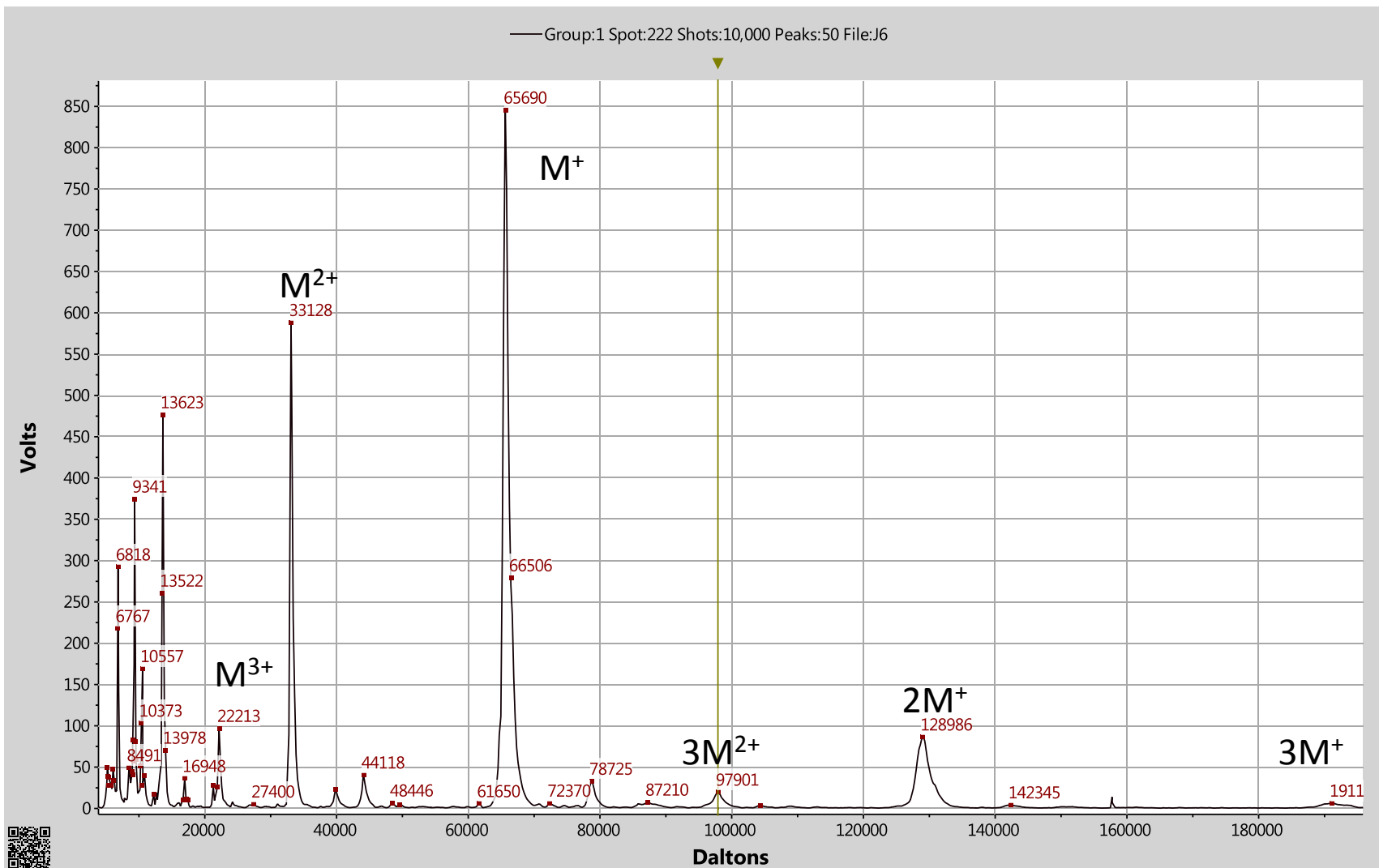
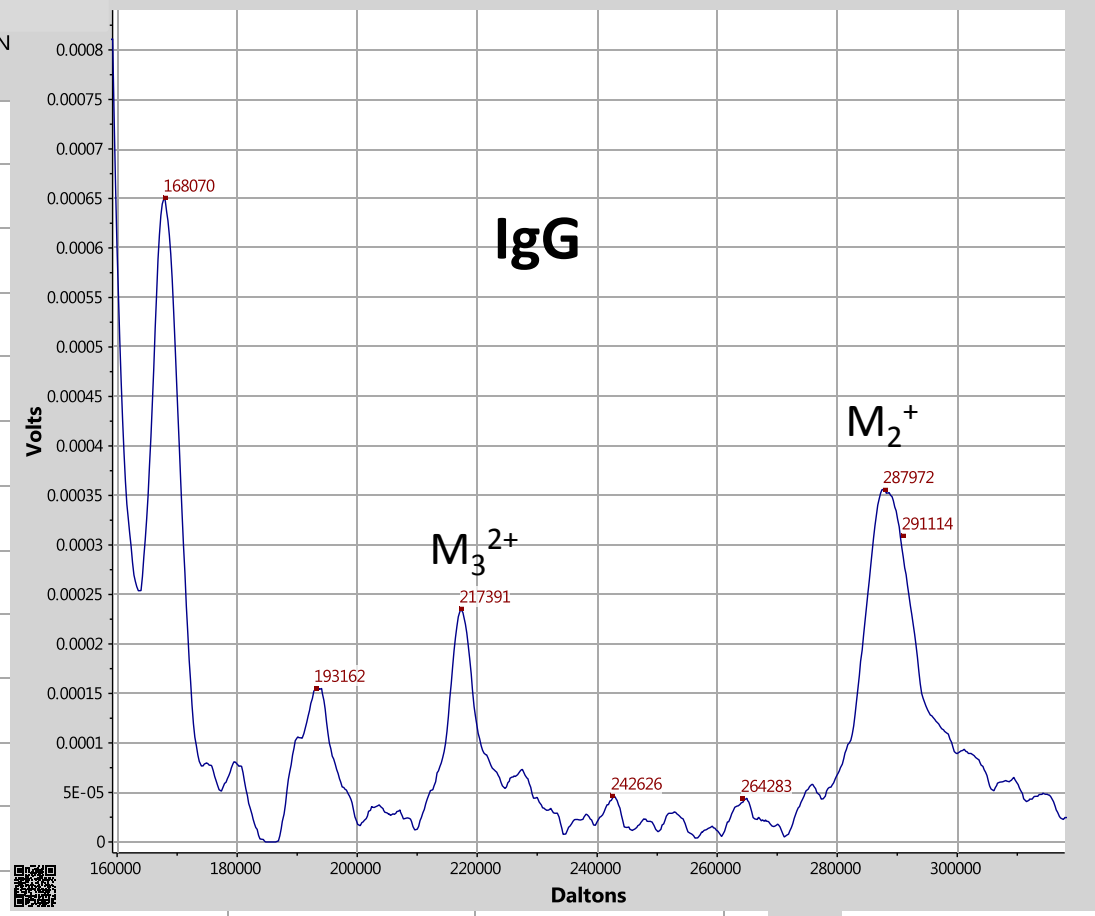
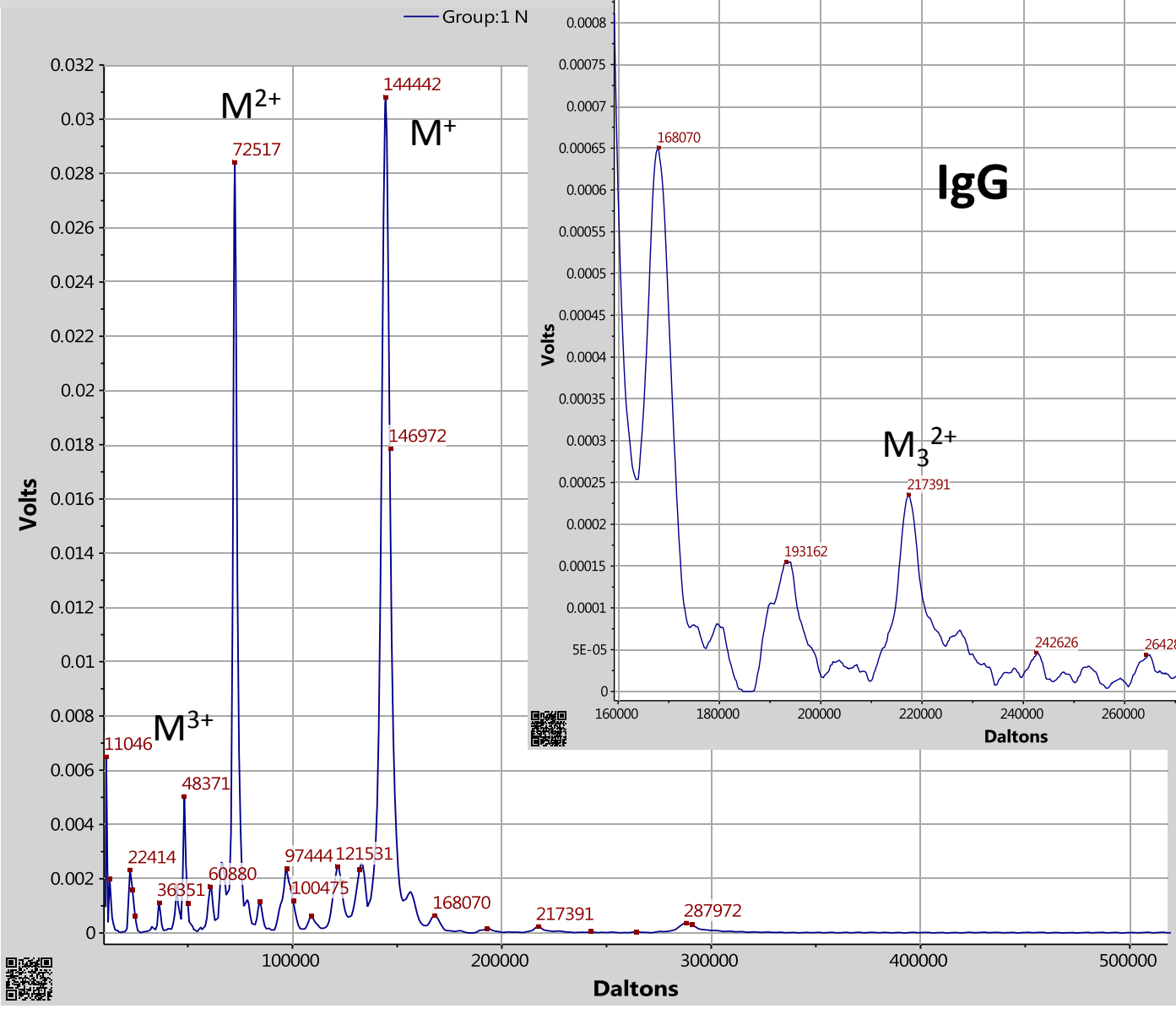
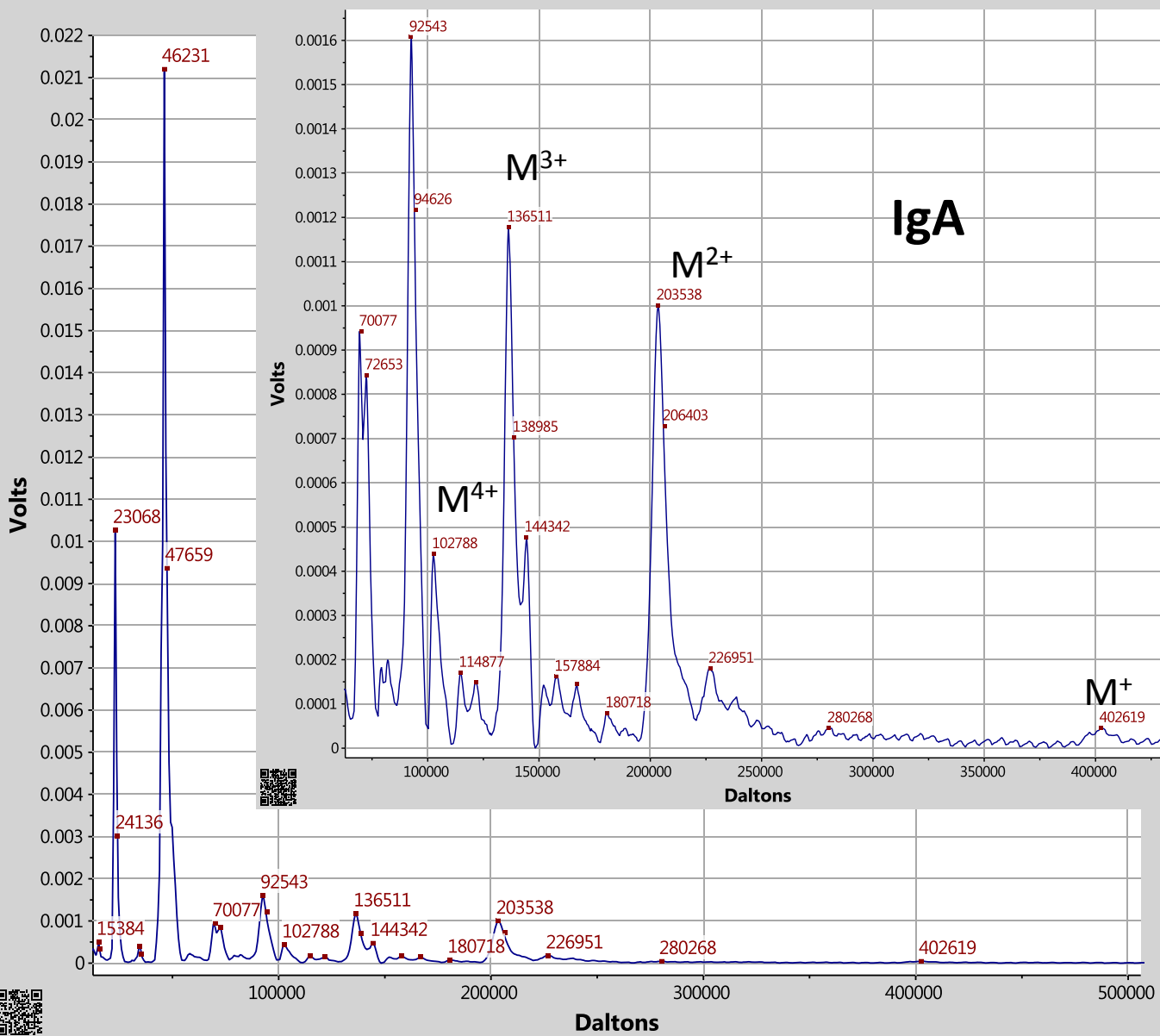


Fig. 9 BSA (1 picomole/ μ l) in sinapinic acid matrix 10,000 laser shots in 2 s.





Linear MALDI-TOF

- Only mass spectrometer providing high sensitivity for singly charged high mass ions
- Resolving power 500-1000 over wide range is routine
- Normalization to TIC removes most of amplitude variation
- Each spot will yield up to 200,000 shots without degrading resolving power or accuracy and giving dynamic range limited only by chemical noise
- Results might be improved by multiple levels of dilution and use of alternative matrices
- Mass error <50 ppm across the plate over the full mass range with single peak automatic calibration
- Dynamic range up to 100,000

Instruments for Clinical MALDI

- Linear MALDI-TOF preferred for most clinical applications
 - Simple, reliable, robust, and very sensitive over wide mass range
 - Reproducible spectra with wide dynamic range
 - Adequate mass resolving for higher mass proteins and oligos
 - Resolving power and mass accuracy may be insufficient for some applications to peptides and small molecules
- Reflector MALDI-TOF provides higher resolving power and mass accuracy
 - Allows identification by mass fingerprinting at low mass (e.g tryptic digests)
 - Provides accurate mass for input to MS-MS identification
- MALDI MS-MS

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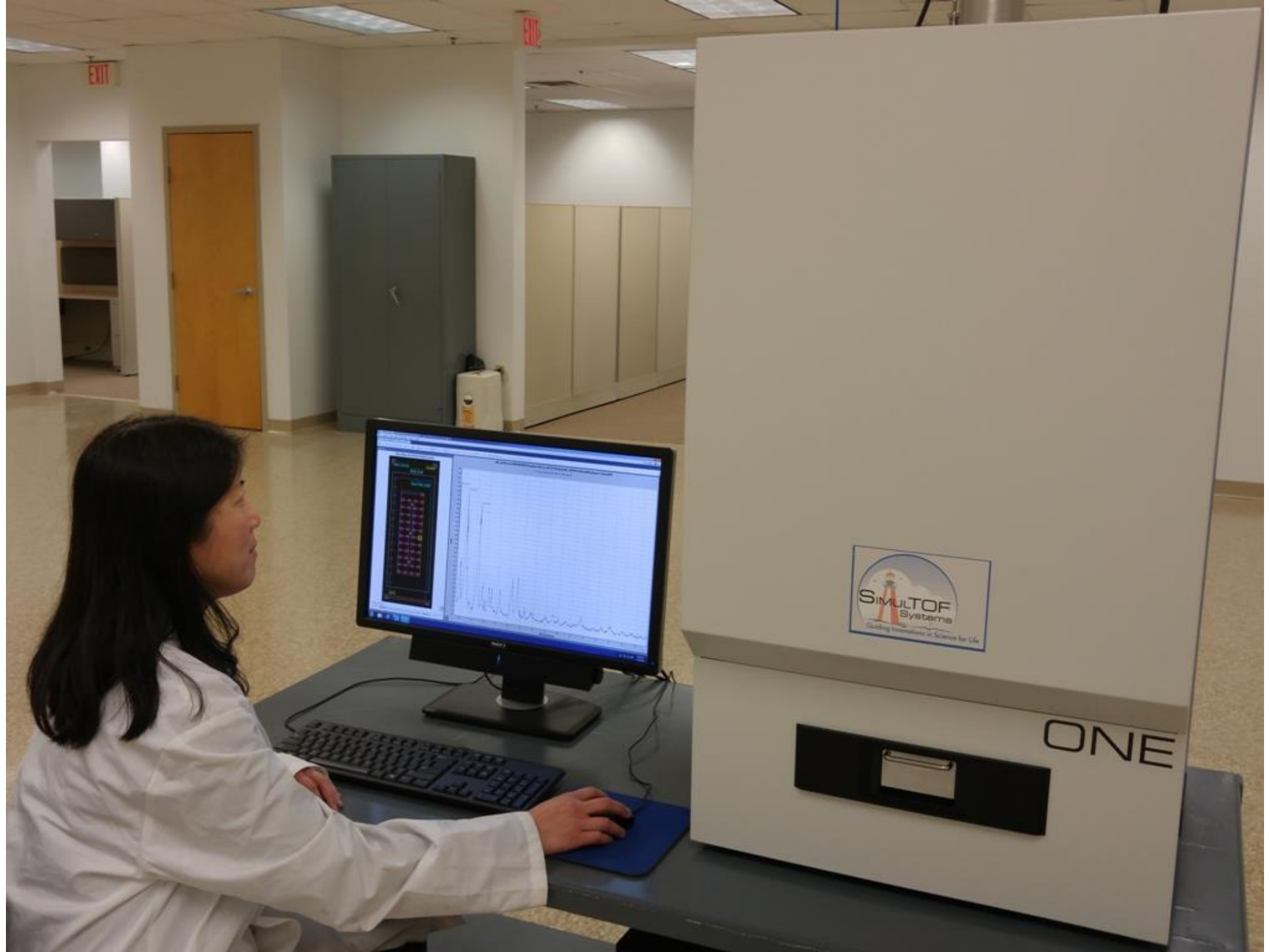
Introducing
SimulTOF ONE MALDI-TOF

Designed to make MALDI-TOF QUANTITATIVE!!!

**Visit booth 20
or
Website: SimulTOF.com
for details and demos**

SimulTOF ONE MALDI-TOF for quantitative and clinical applications optimizes all of the elements employing state-of-the-art technology

- Lasers
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EXIT

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ONE

Now you can have your personal high performance mass spectrometer on your desk at a price you can afford!!!

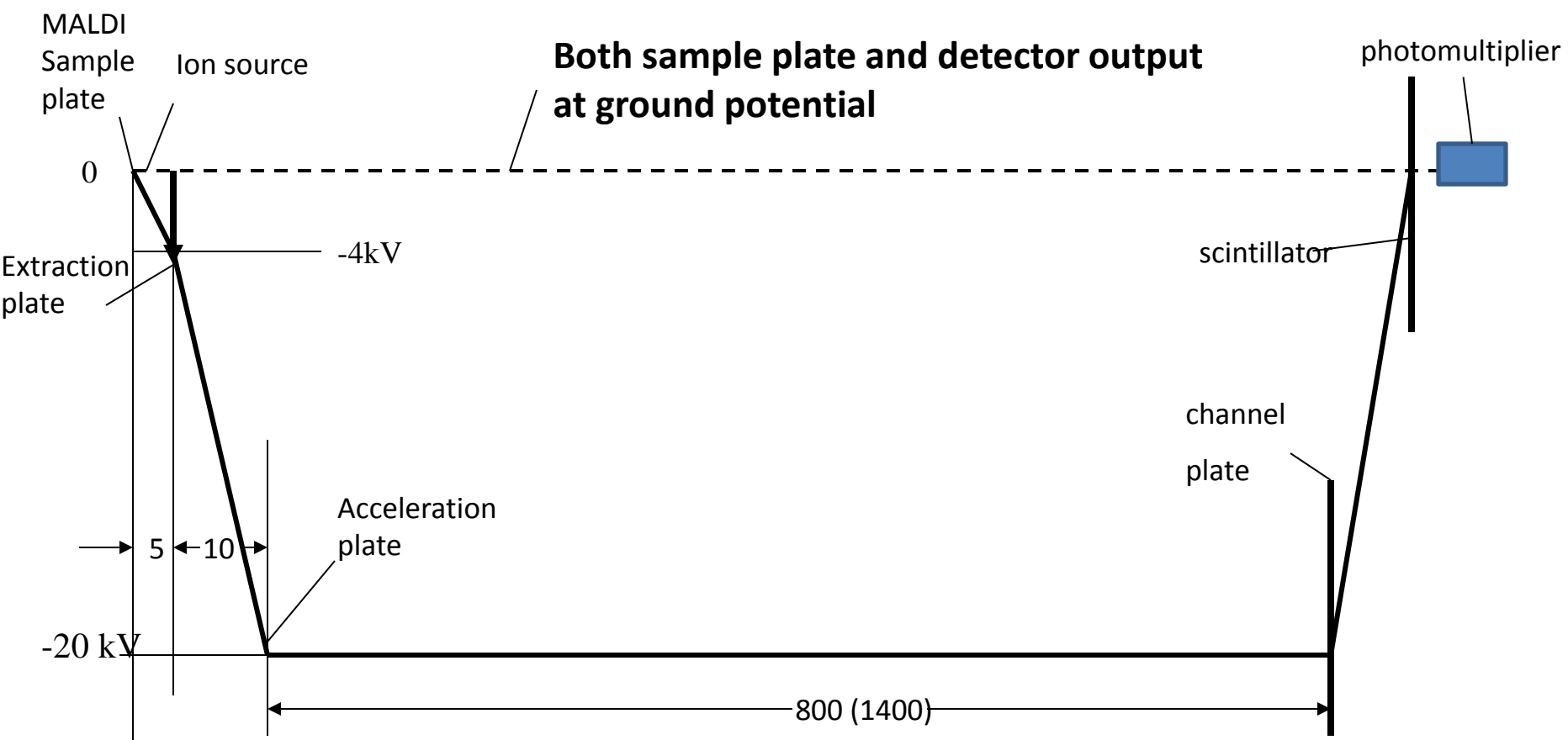
And all of your colleagues can share it.

Up to five users on their personal computers at no additional cost

- Highest performance available from any linear MALDI-TOF MS over full mass range to 1,000,000 Da.
- Smallest footprint of any linear MALDI-TOF
- High performance hybrid detector provides excellent mass range, speed and dynamic range.
- Up to 100 spectra/second recorded and processed
- Standard Options include 5 kHz laser with 2 GHz digitizer; bipolar ion analyzer; and very fast plate autoloader for high throughput applications.
- Technology developed and patented at SimulTOF produces robust MALDI-TOF mass spectrometers with no compromise in performance at an affordable price.

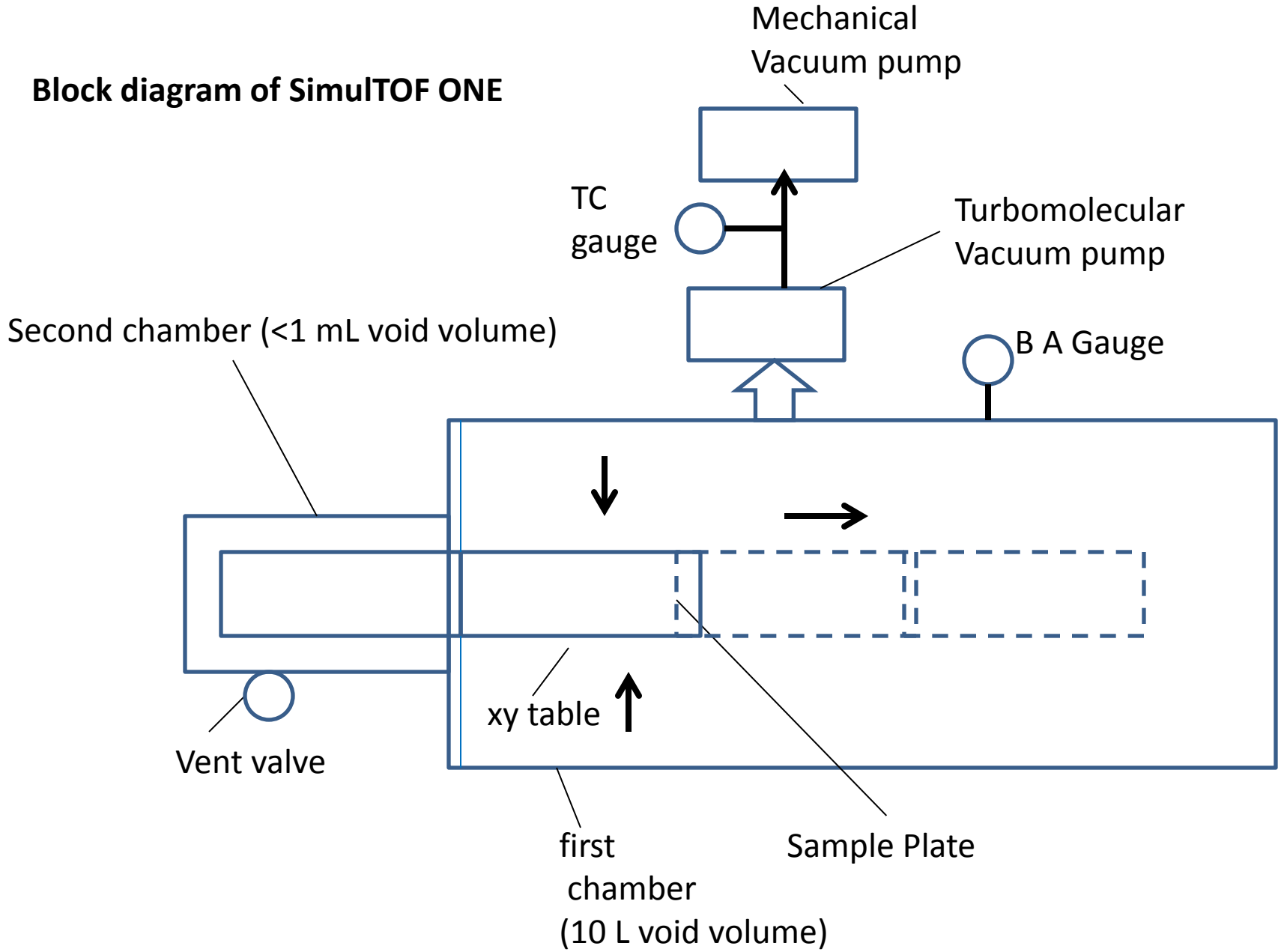
Features of SimulTOF ONE

- 20 kV ion energy and novel high speed, high mass detector provides very high sensitivity, resolving power, and accuracy over broad mass range
- Very fast sample plate exchange
- Fully automated and designed for ease-of-use by first-time users
- Intuitive software that requires only minimal training
- Up to 100 spectra/second recorded and processed
- New concepts in instrument design provide a system that is simple, reliable, and robust with only minimal preventative maintenance
- Computer controlled laser fluence
- Self-contained vacuum system
- Single 20A circuit powers complete system including computer
- No other utilities required



SimulTOF ONE Linear Analyzer

Block diagram of SimulTOF ONE

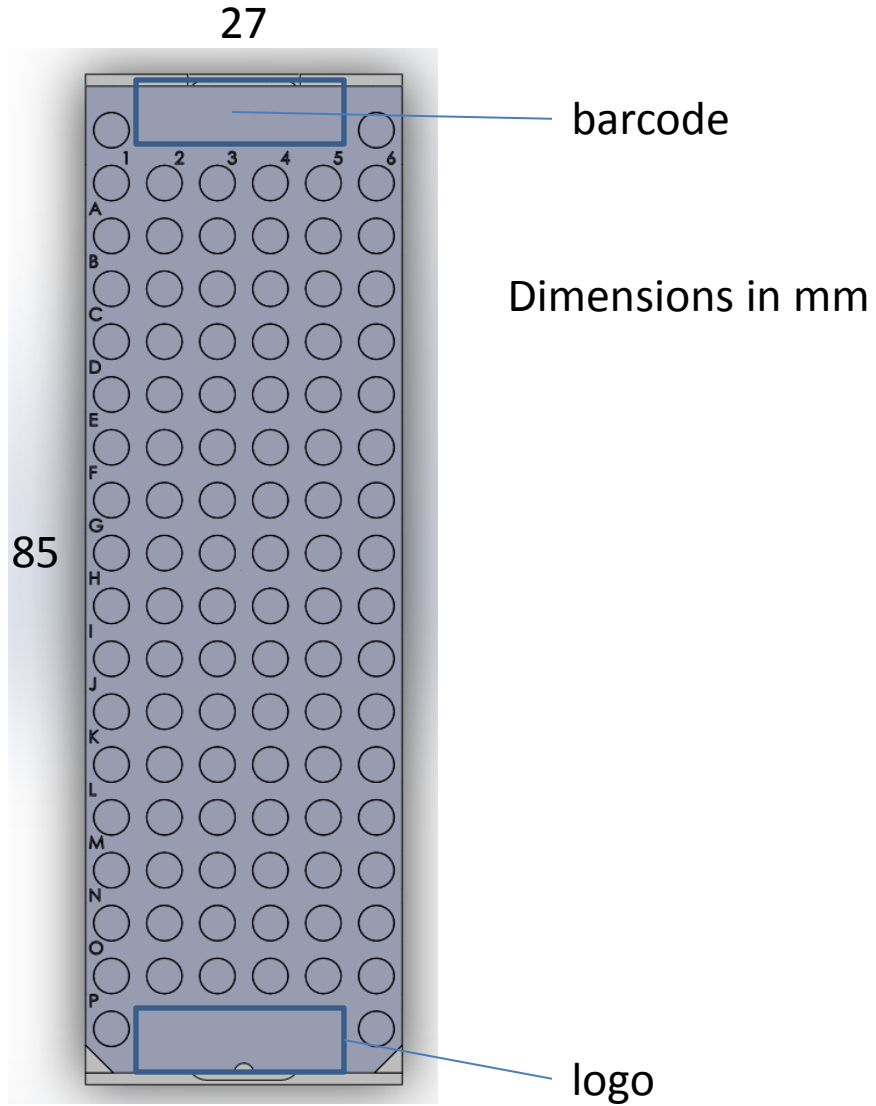


96 spots
Plus 4 cal spots

4 plates equal one
384 microtiter plate

2.6 mm dia spots

One example of
Sample plate for
SimulTOF ONE



Reproducibility of MALDI-TOF on
well-behaved sample (saliva)

Reproducibility of spectra acquired with small number of laser shots

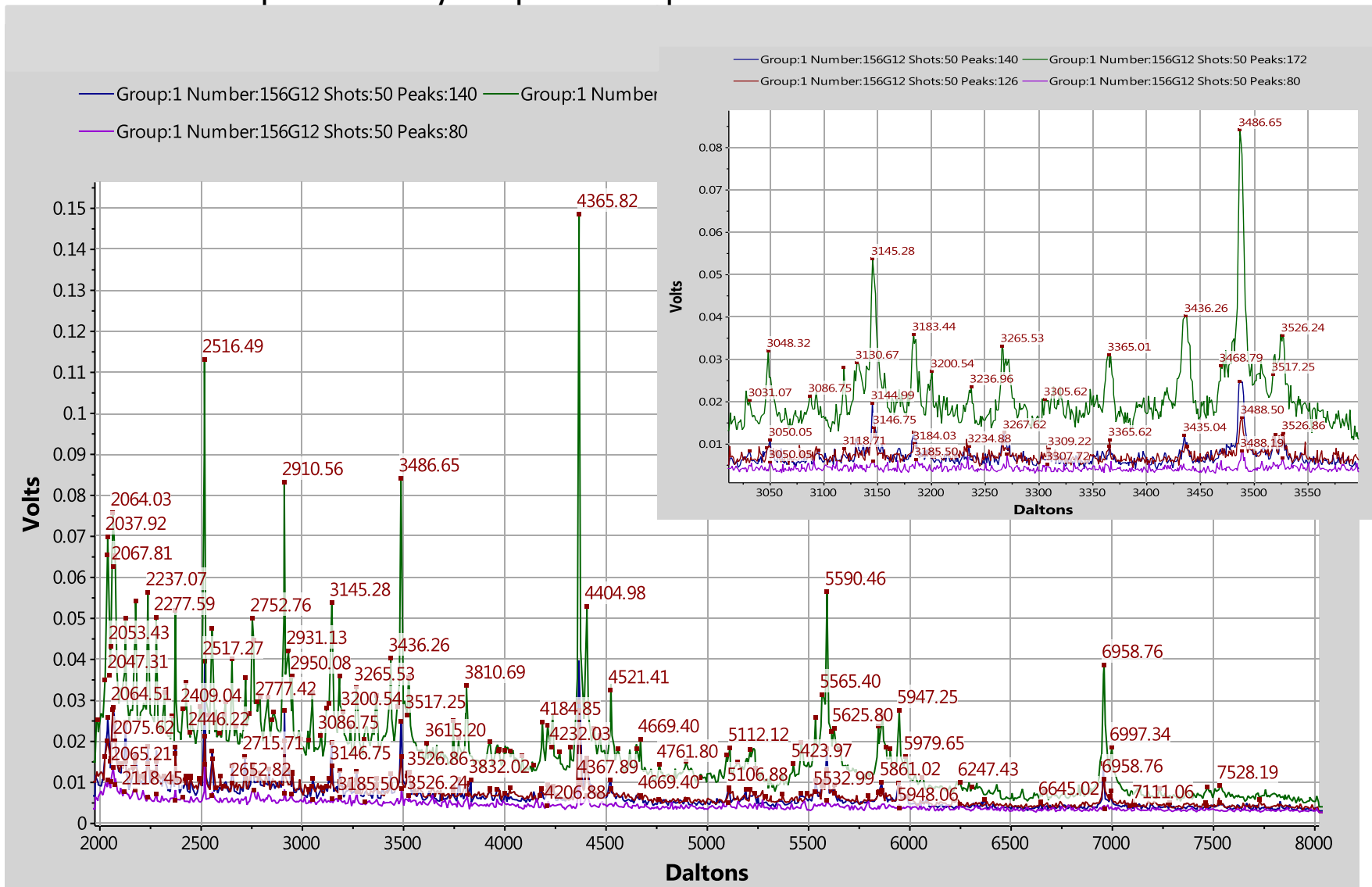


Figure 1. Comparison of saliva spectra with 50 laser shots averaged.

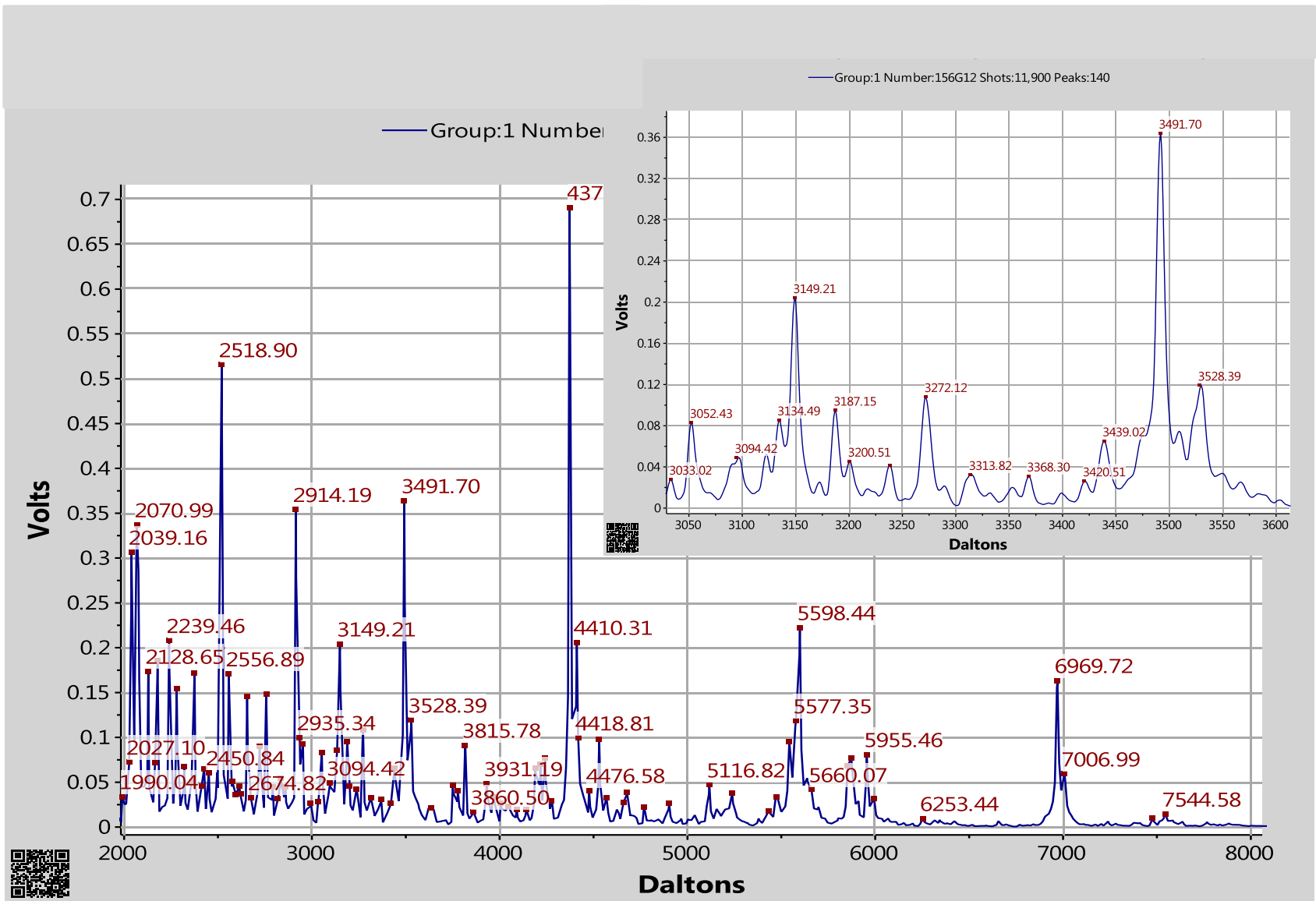


Figure 2. Saliva spectrum with **11,900** laser shots averaged.

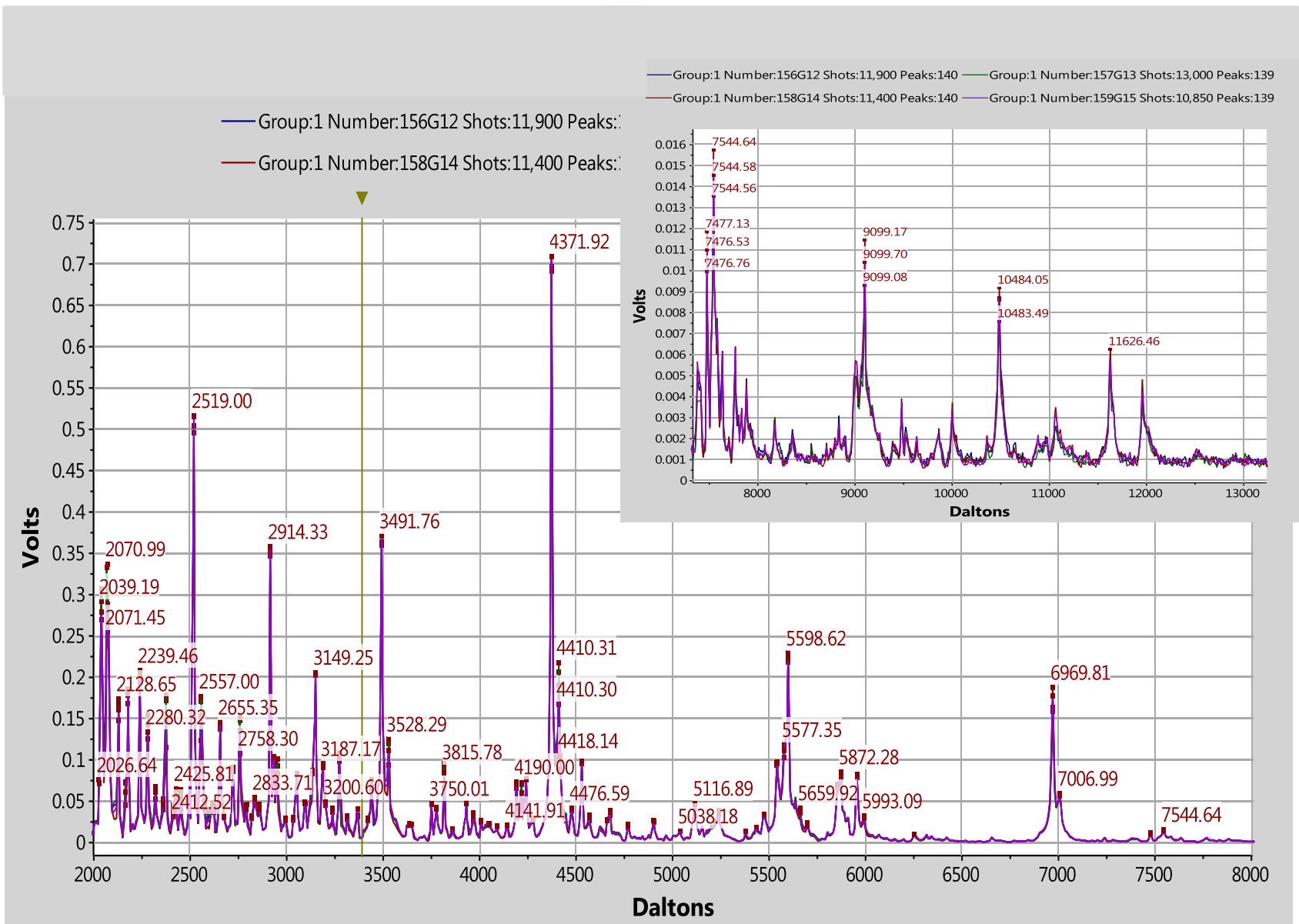


Figure 3. Comparison of Saliva spectrum from 4 spots with 11,000 laser shots averaged.

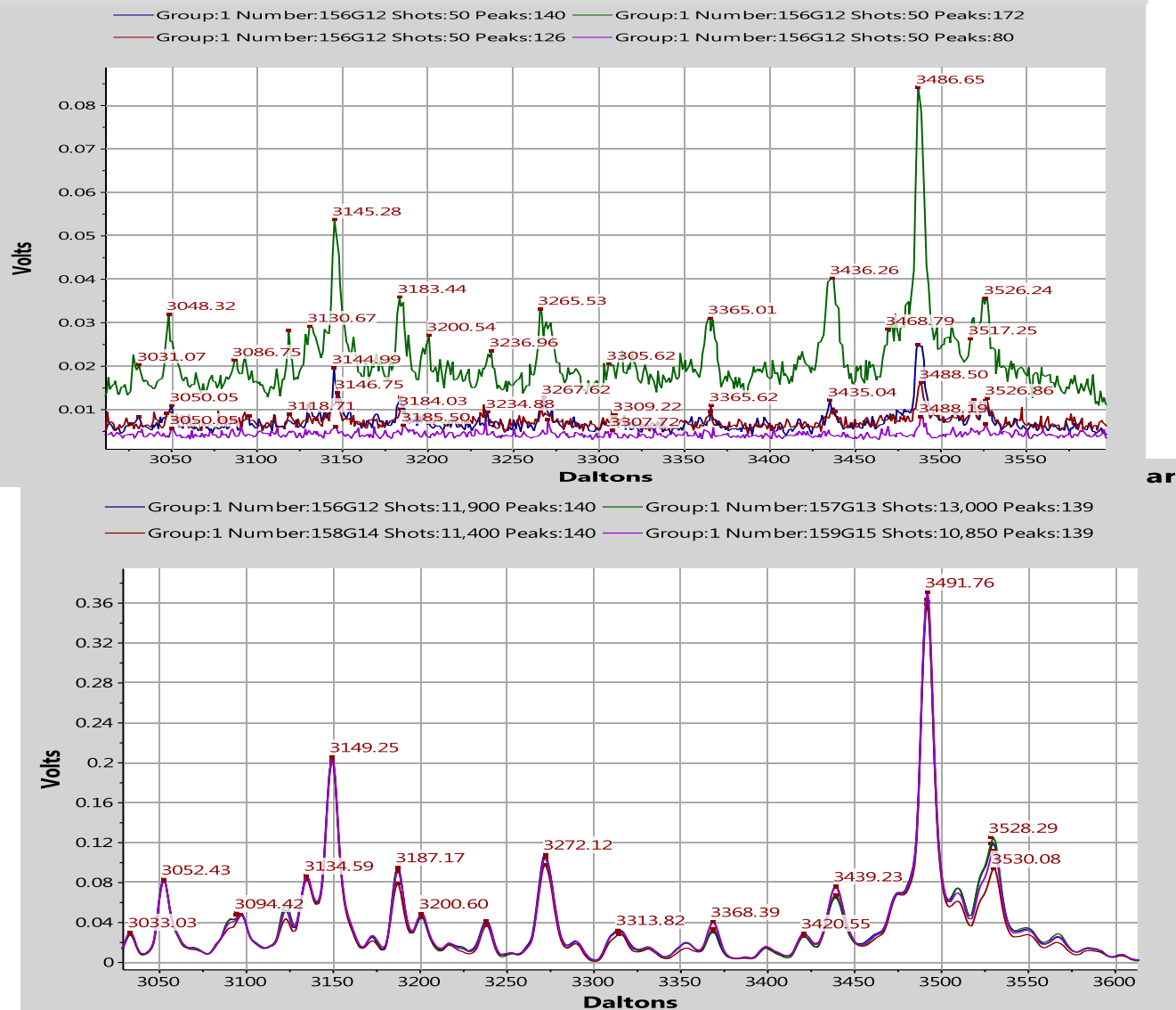
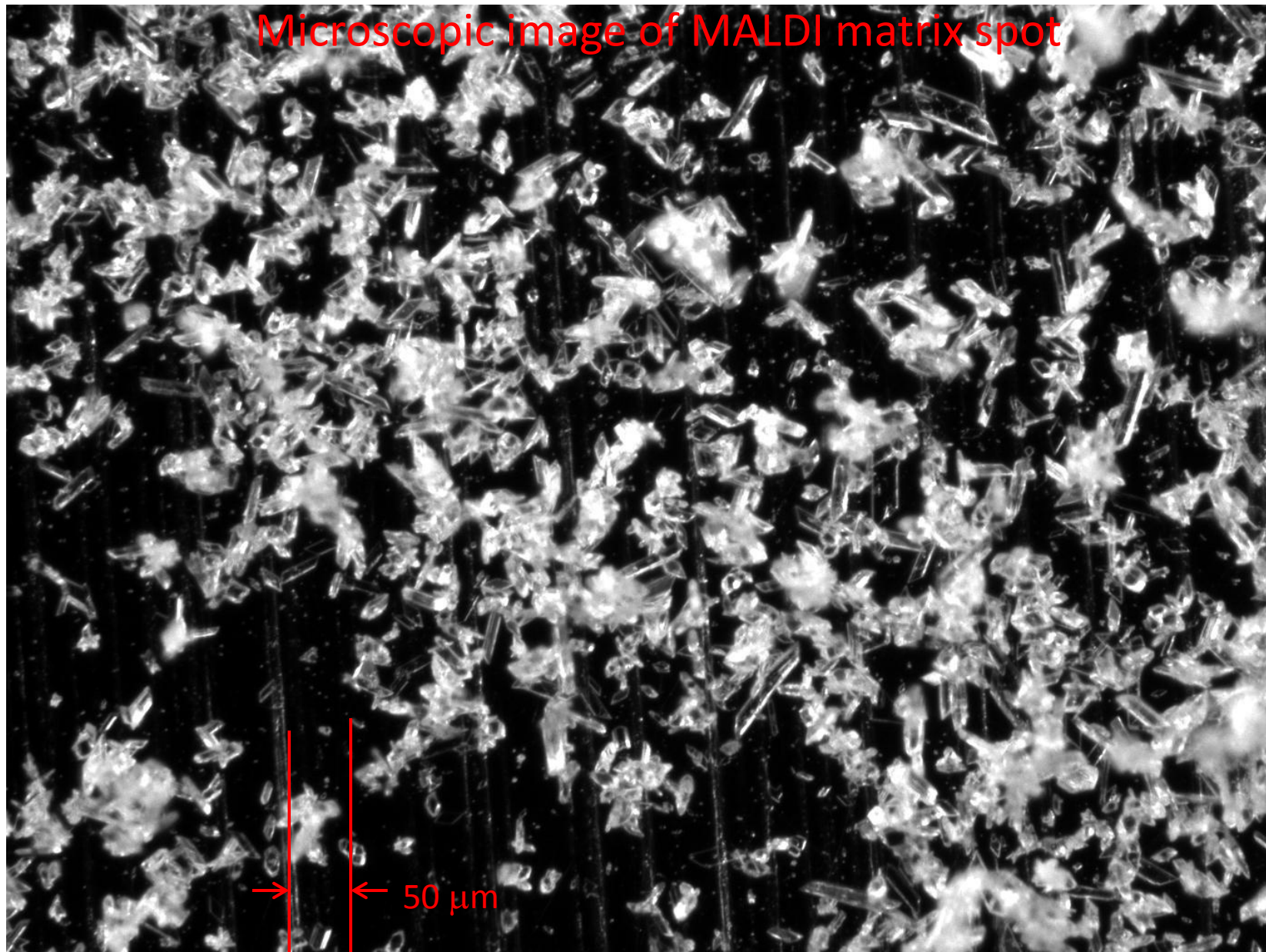


Figure 4. Comparison of 4 saliva spectra with 50 laser shots averaged vs. 4 with 11,000 laser shots over mass range 3 to 3.6 kDa

Microscopic image of MALDI matrix spot



→ ← 50 μm

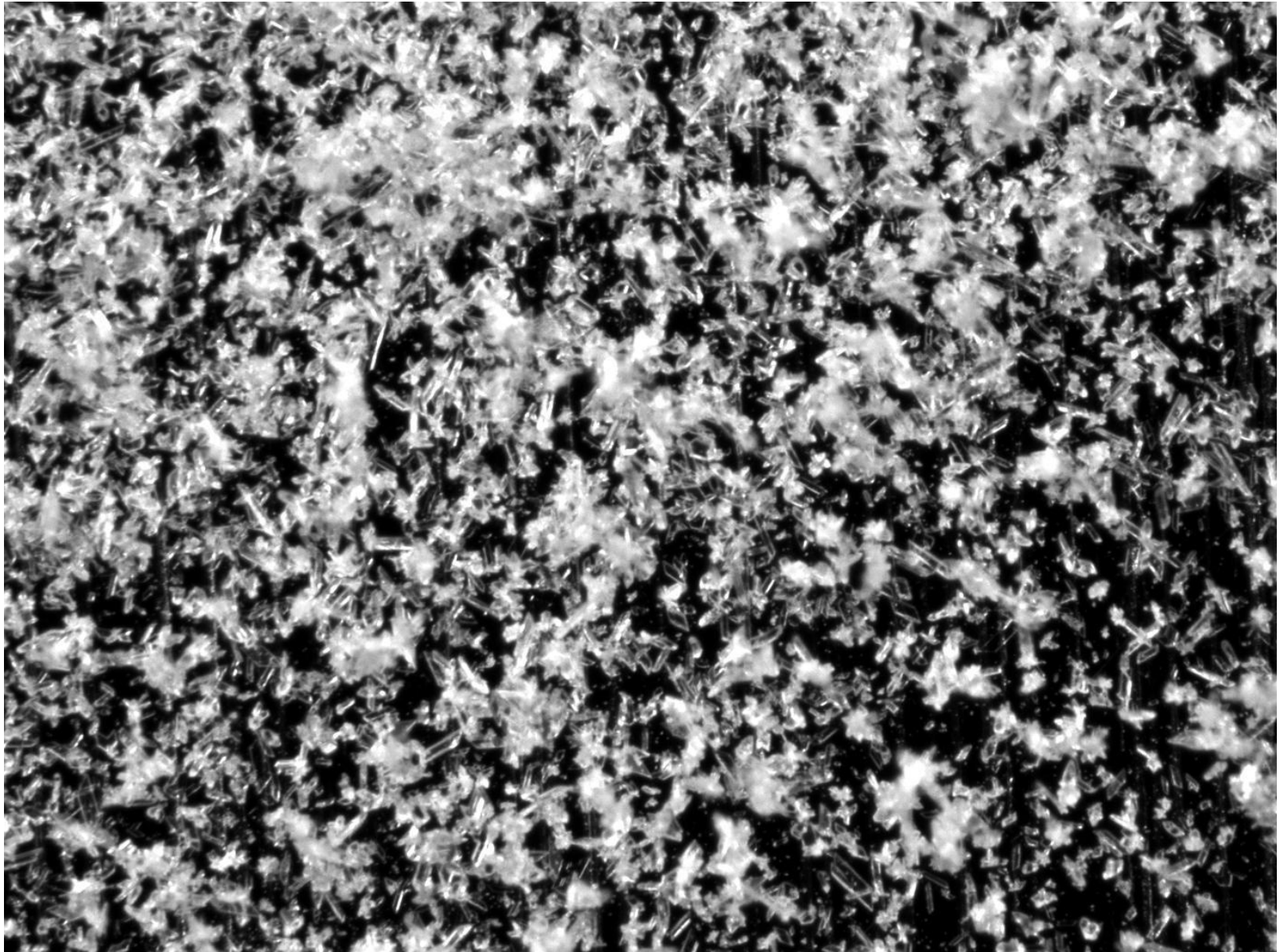
← 1.2 mm →

Microscopic image of MALDI matrix spot



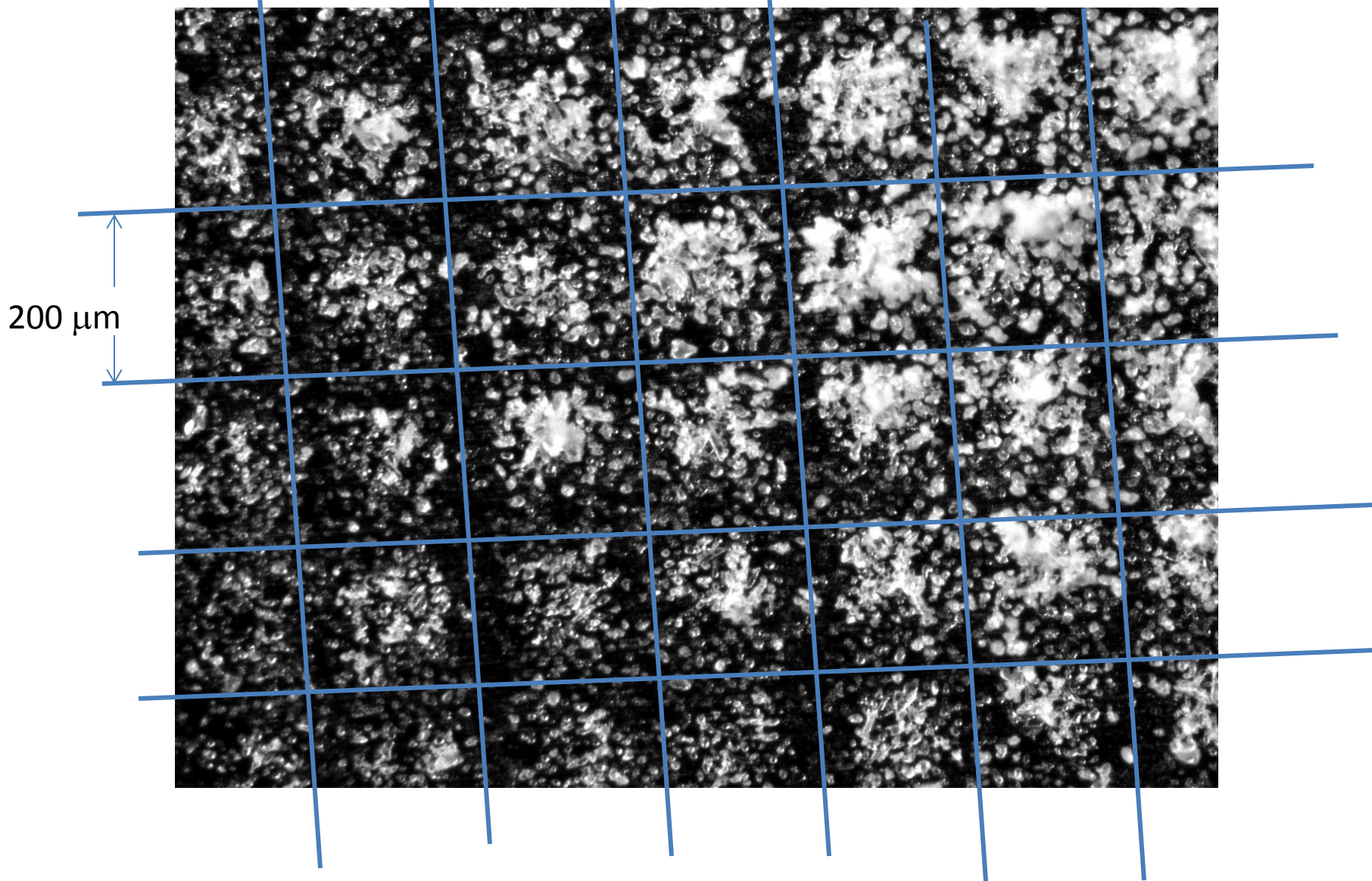
Sinapinic acid

Microscopic image of MALDI matrix spot (ACCA)



α -cyano-4-hydroxy cinnamic acid

Microscopic image of MALDI matrix spot (ACCA)



After laser raster at 200 μm spacing

Image from on-board camera (E coli in ACCA)

— 3000 - 20000 -

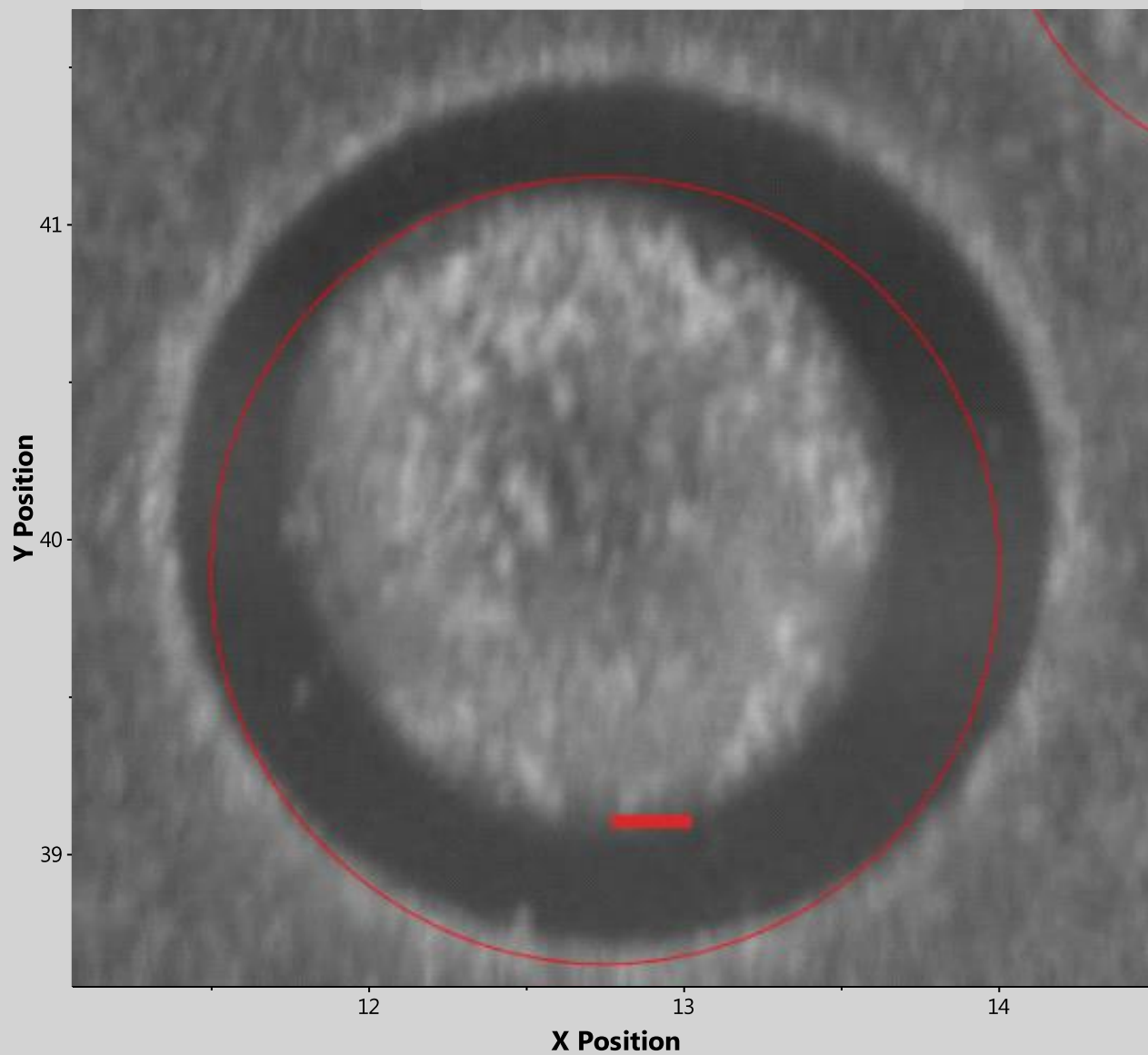
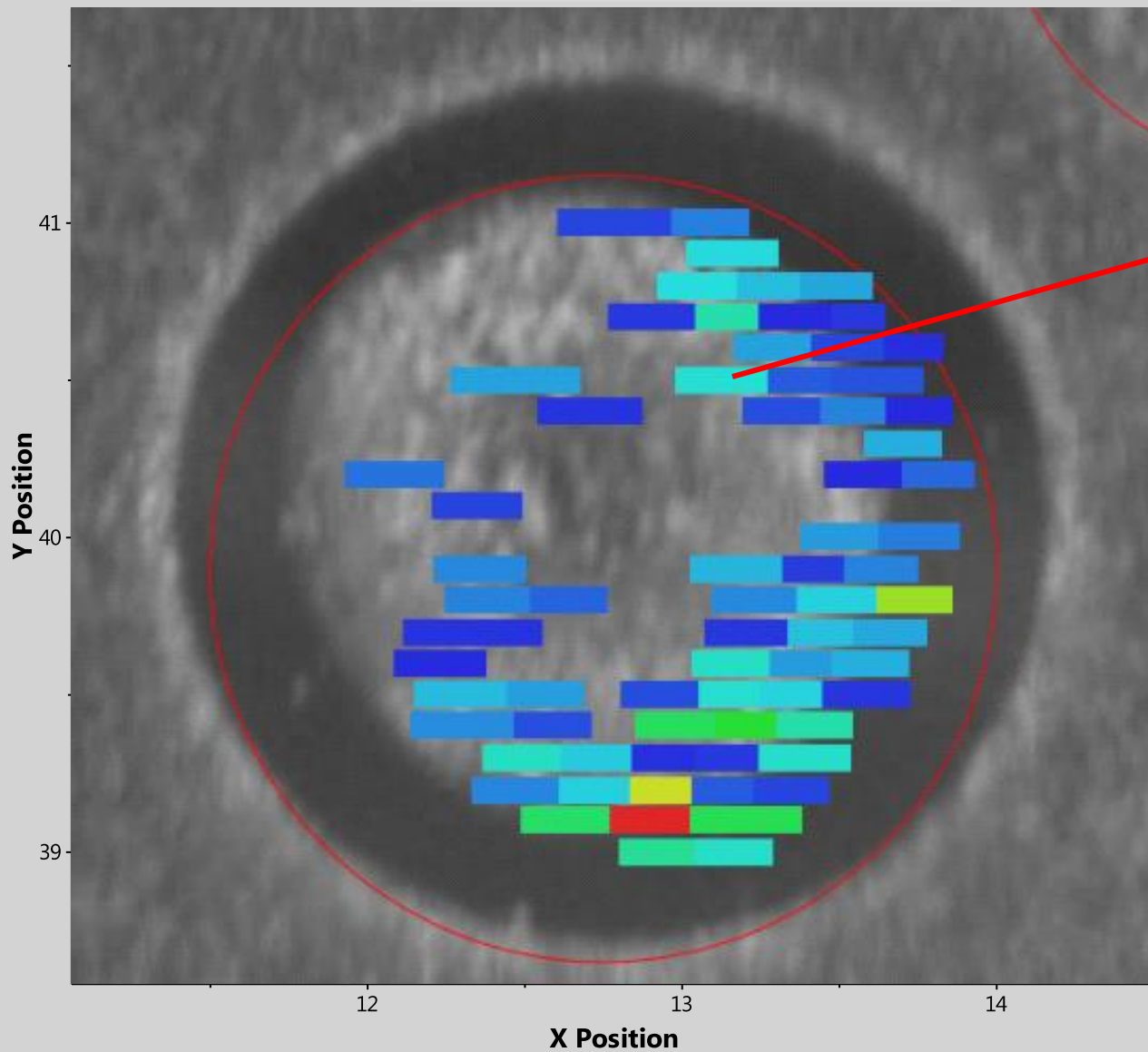


Image from on-board camera (E coli in ACCA)

3000 - 20000 -



Protein
signal

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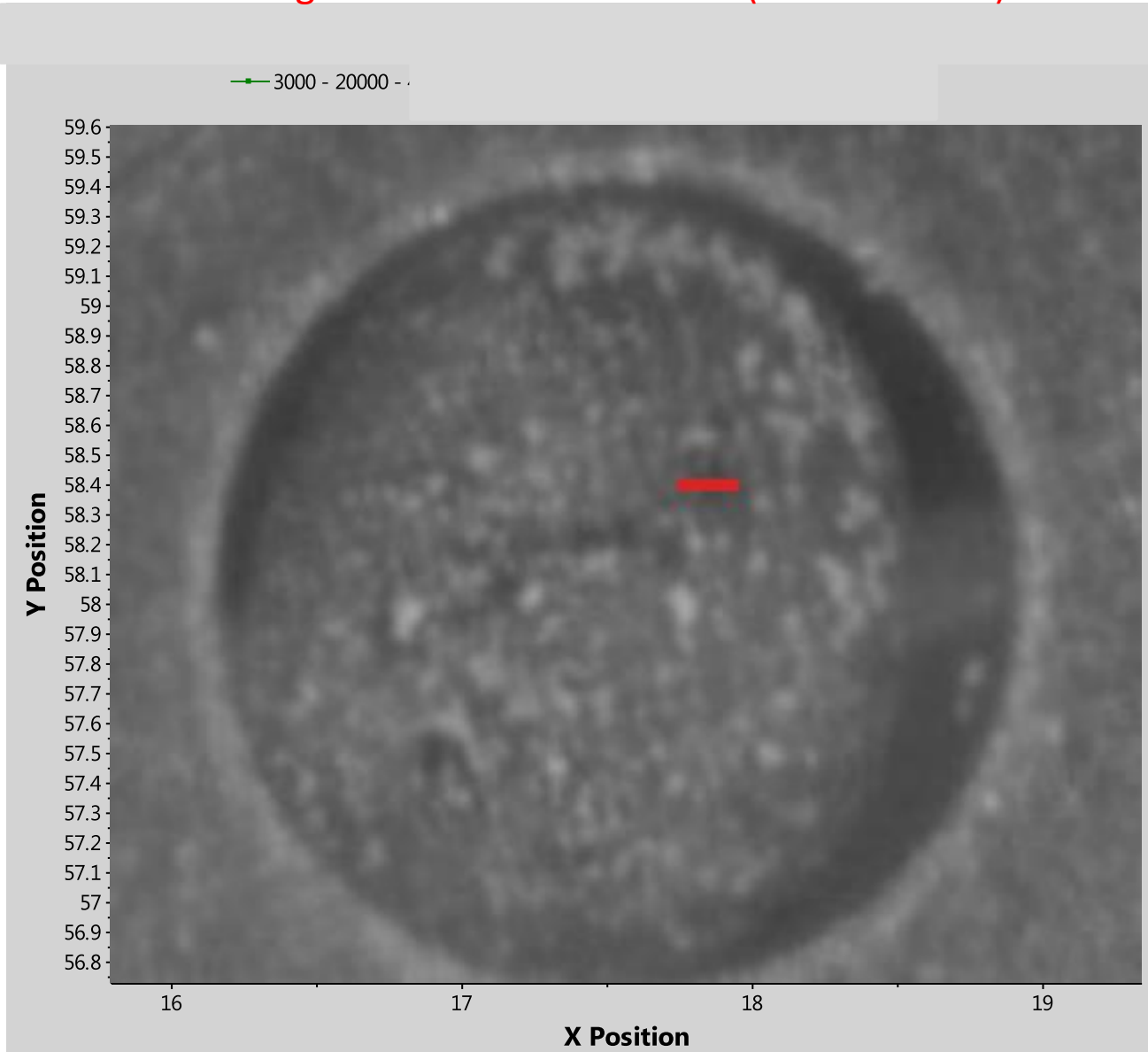
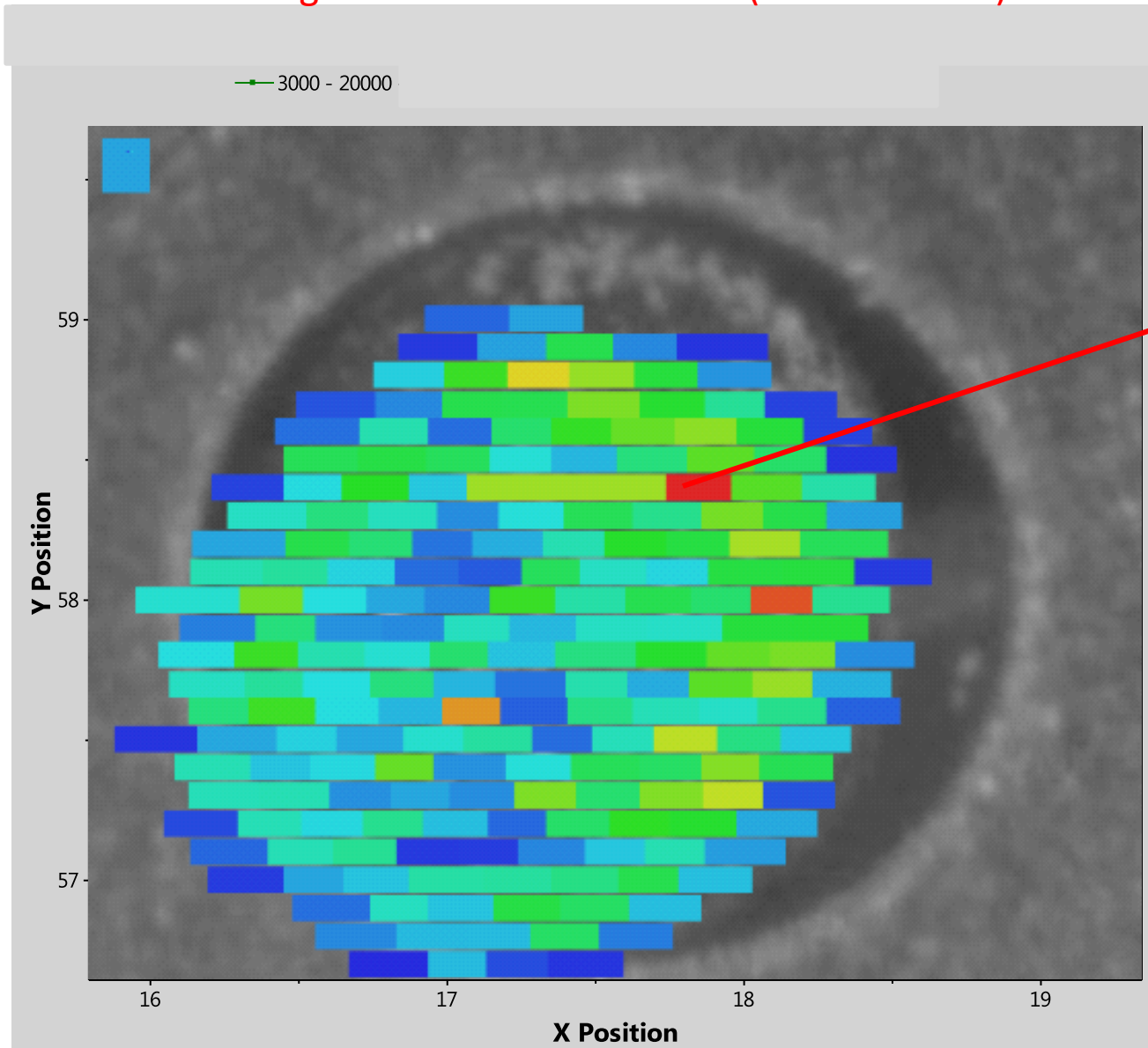
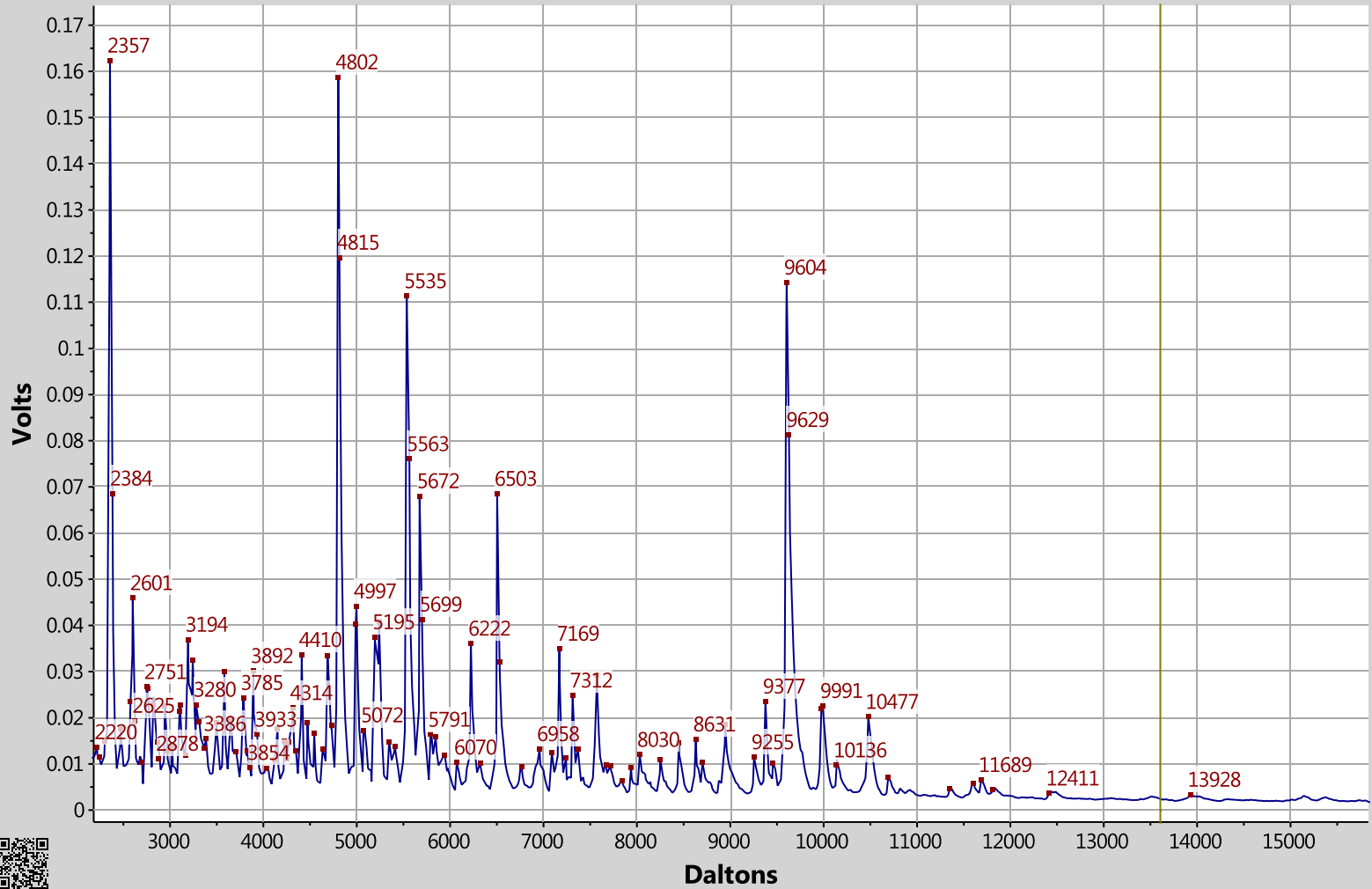


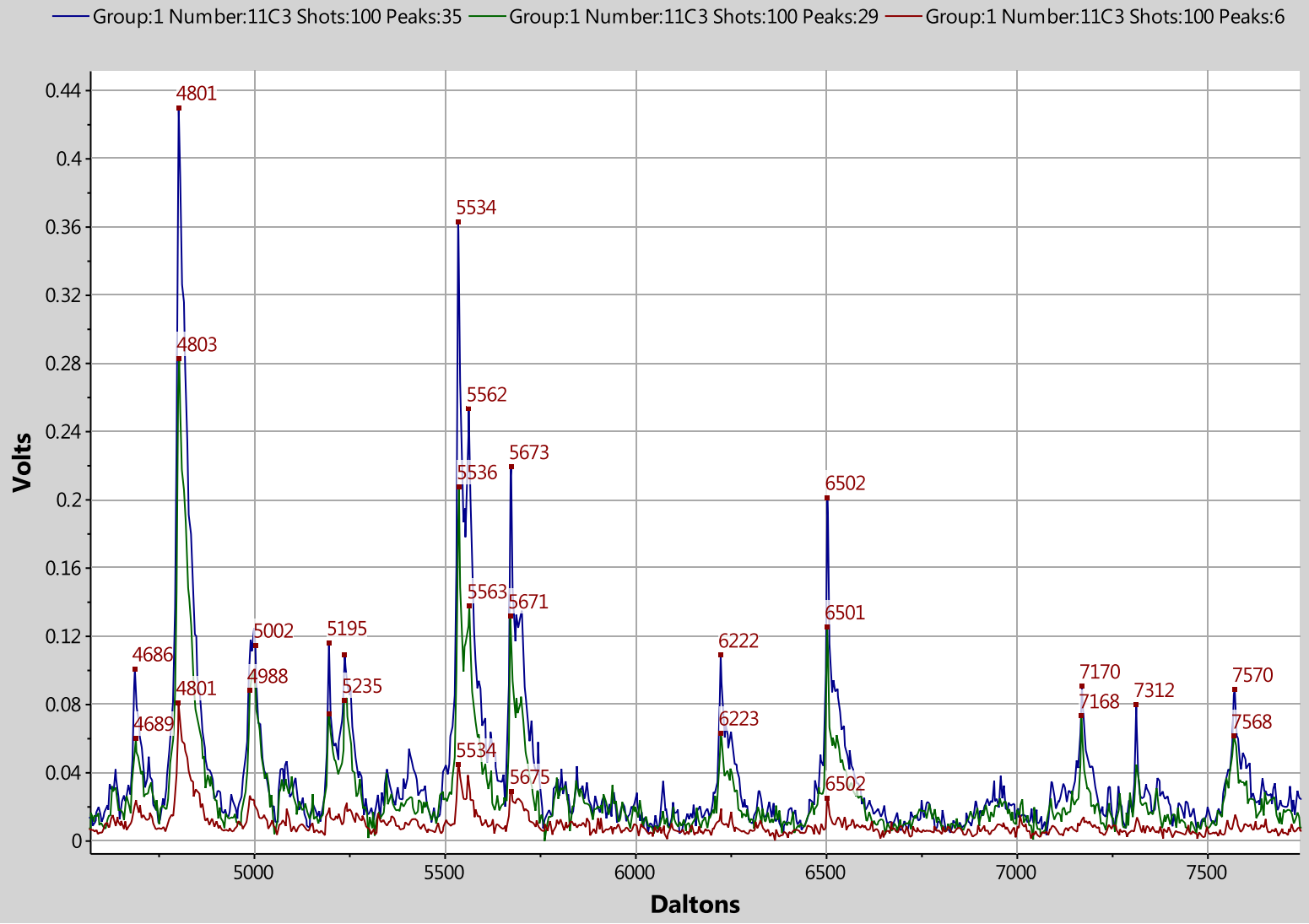
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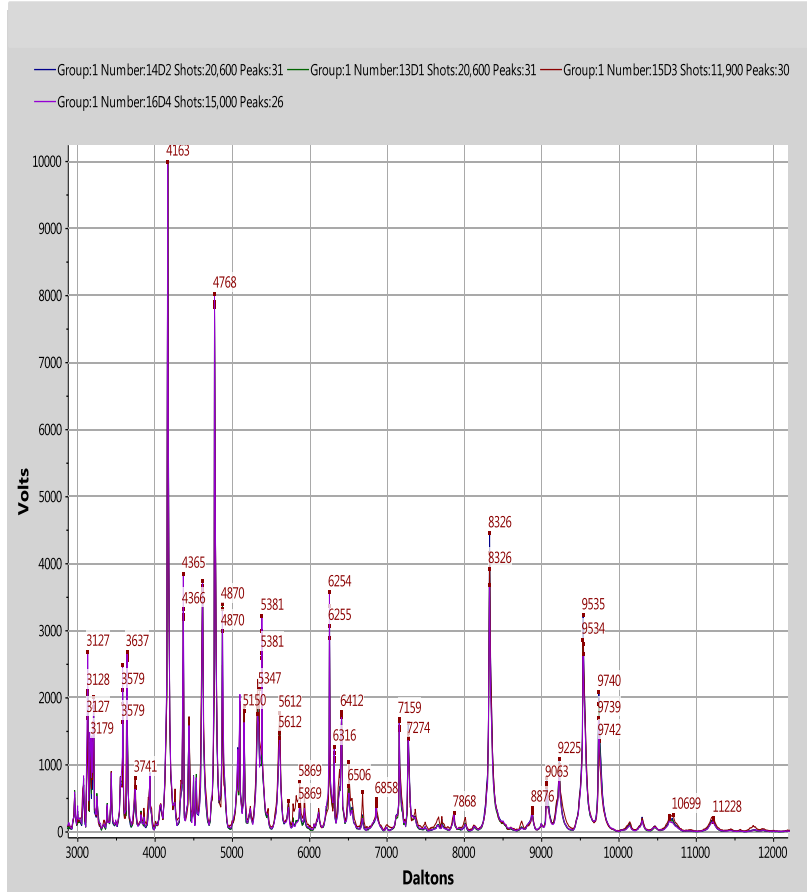
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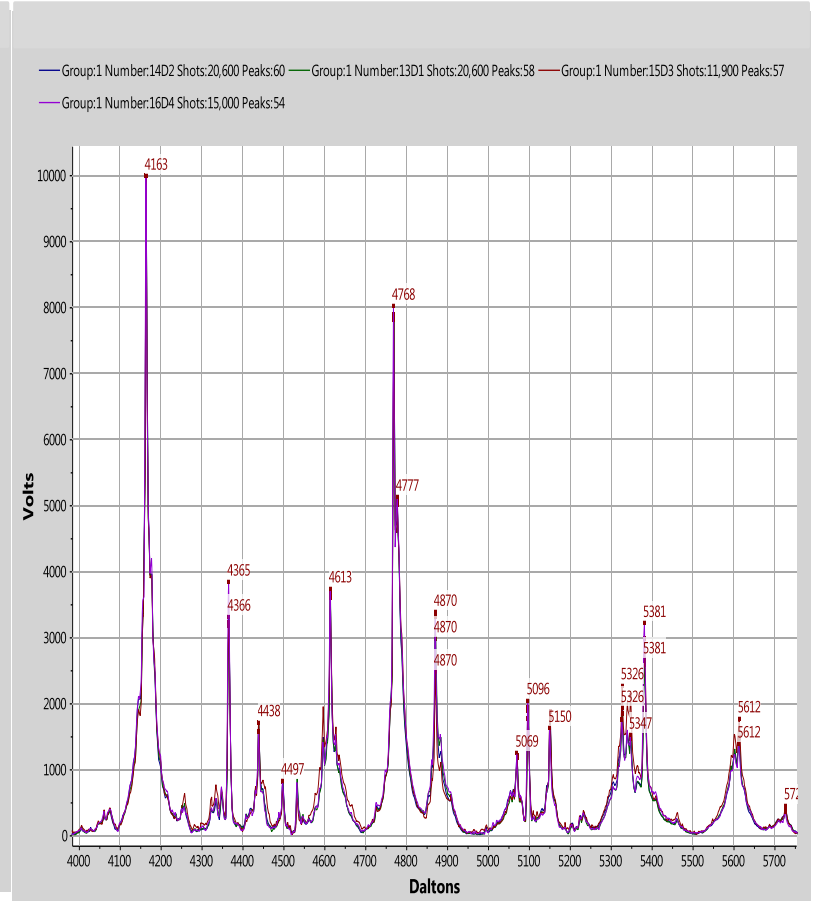
E coli mass spectrum (ACCA)



Spectra from 3 pixels on one spot



Superposition of spectra from four spots of E coli in HCCA matrix



Expanded View

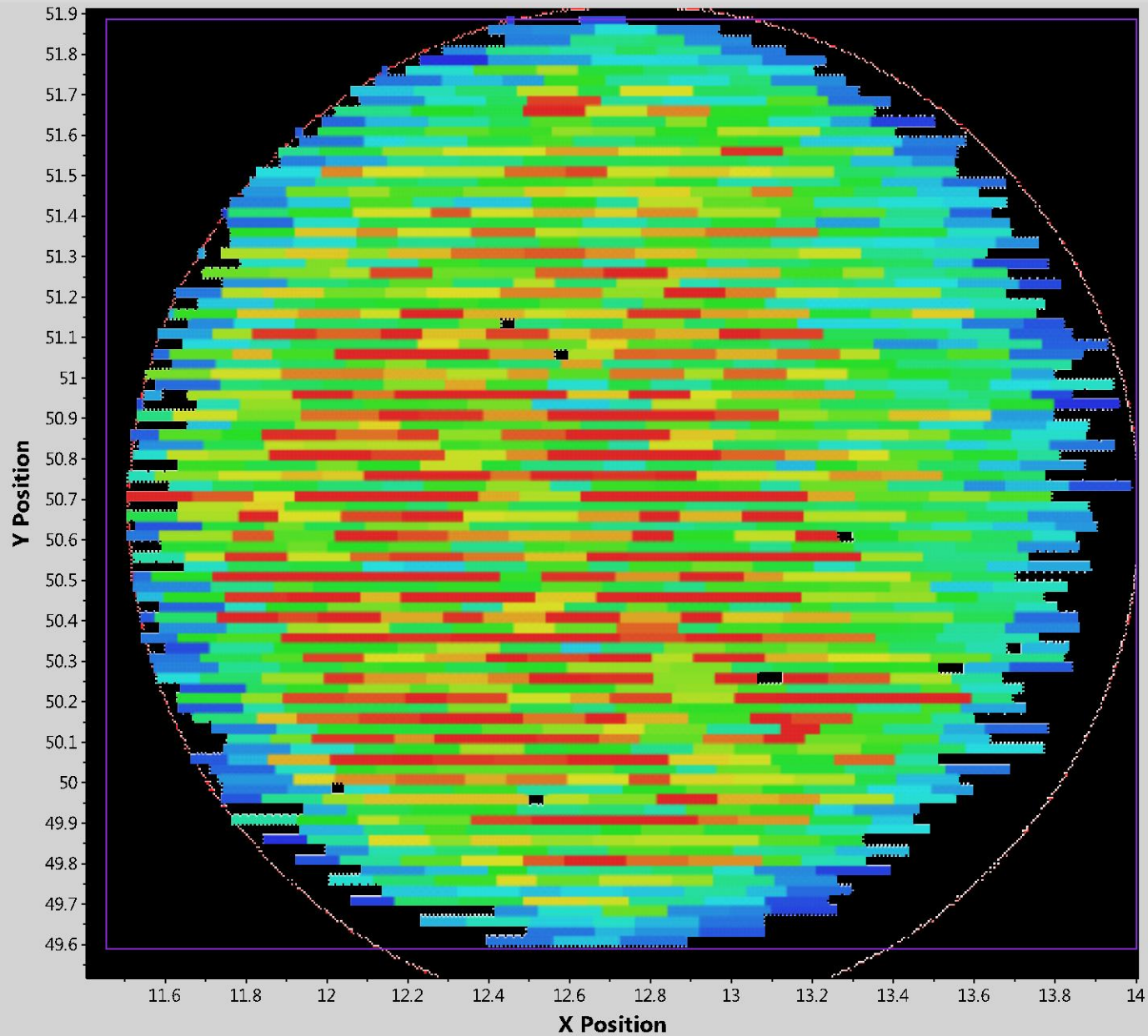
single spot
human serum 1:10 dilution
sinapinic acid matrix

Laser 1.7 μJ , Extraction 2.7 kV,

Delay 2050 ns, 1kHz

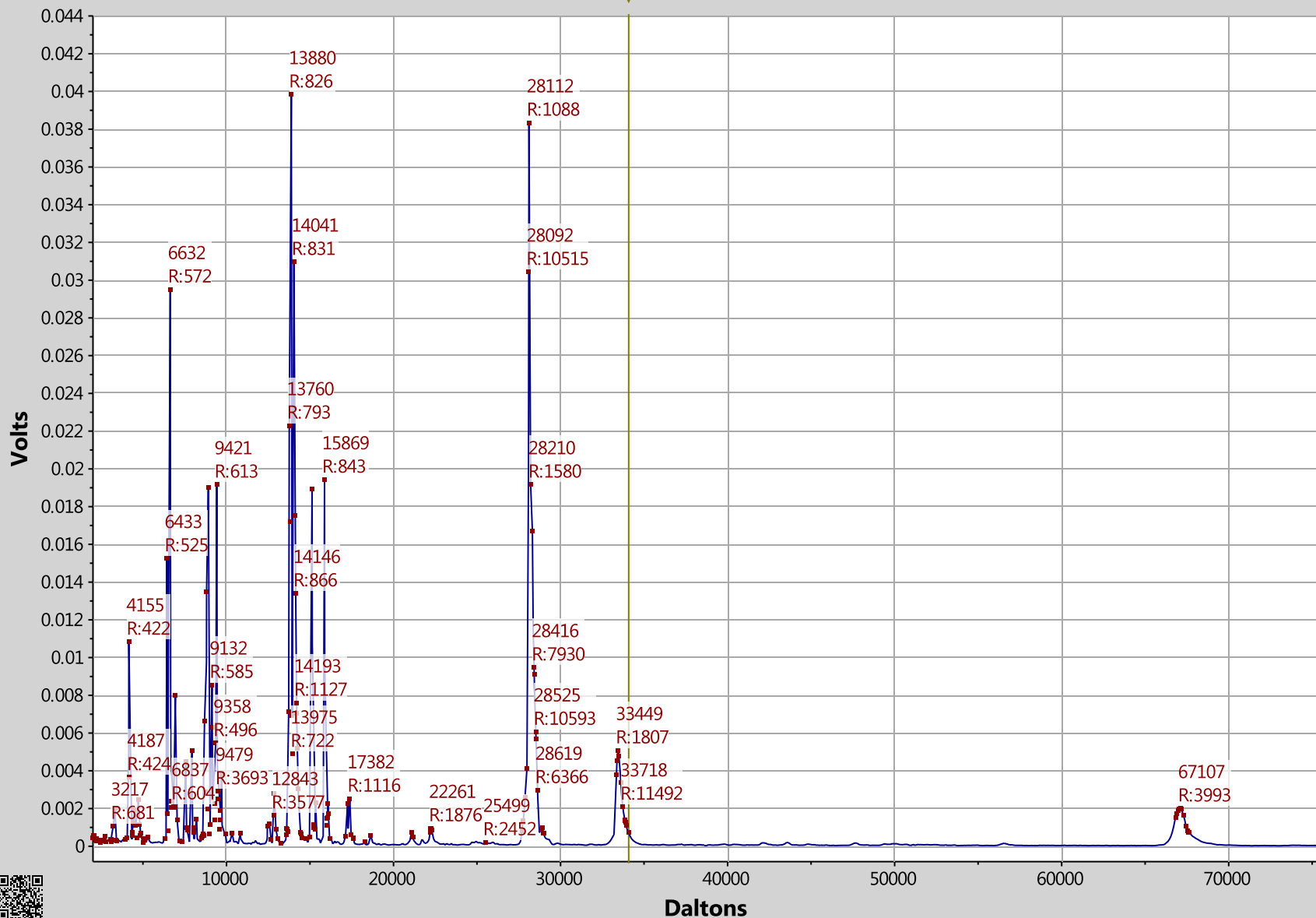
Raster 25 μm , 0.5 mm/s, 200 shots/sp

Image of single spot 25x100 μm pixels (241,600 laser shots)



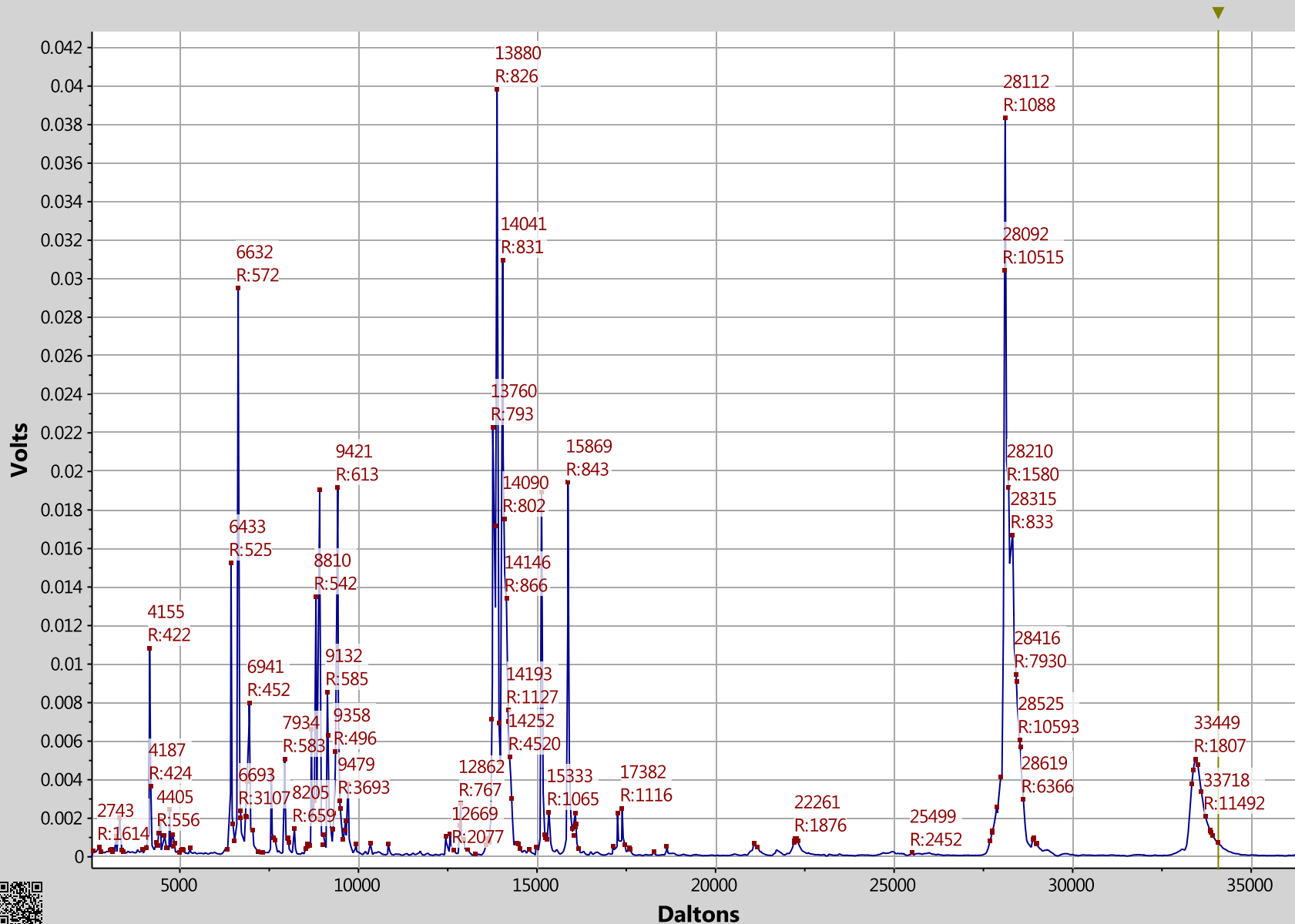
Summed spectrum of single spot 25x100 μm pixels (241,600 laser shots)

Group:1 Number:39G3 Shots:241,600 Peaks:188



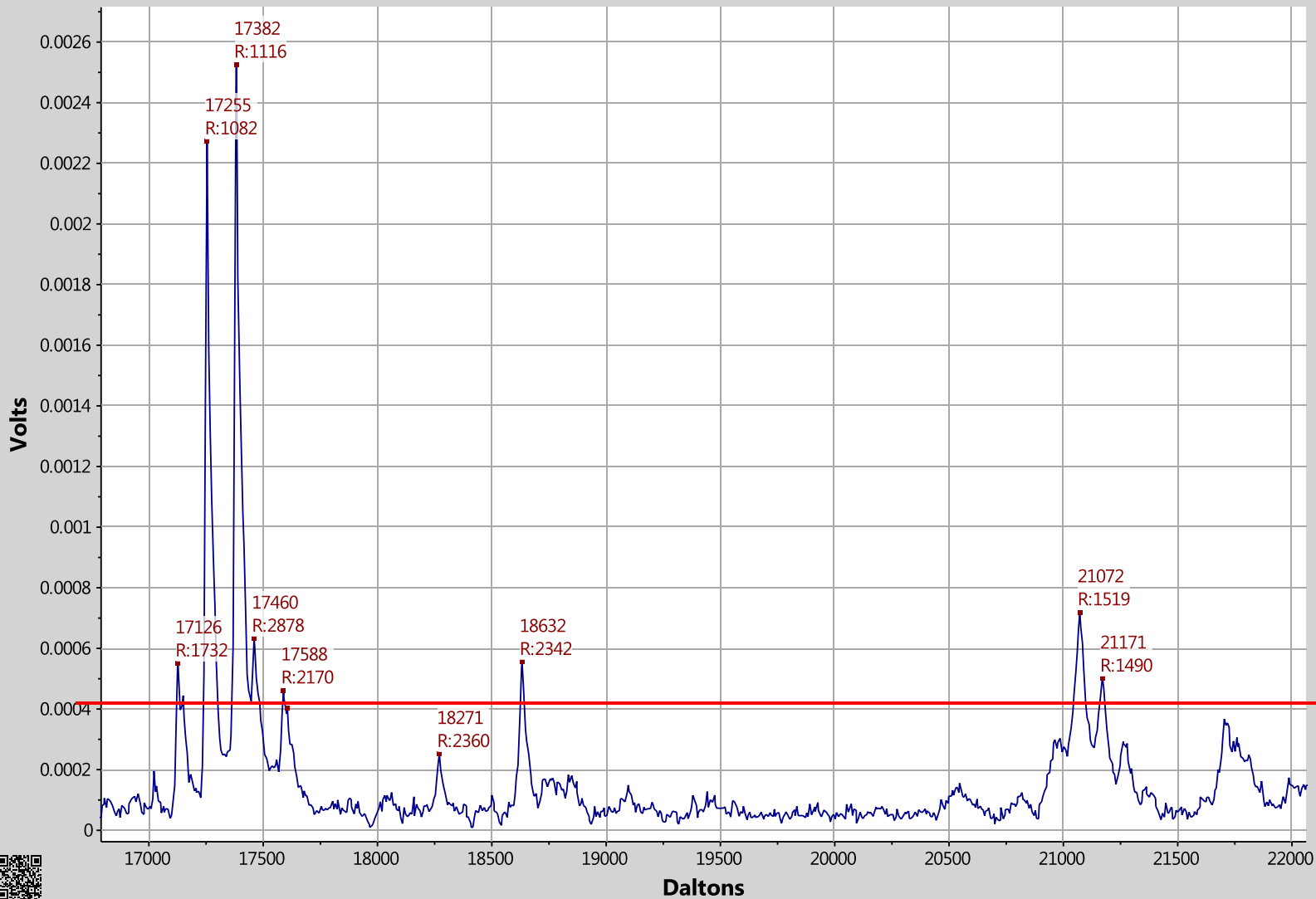
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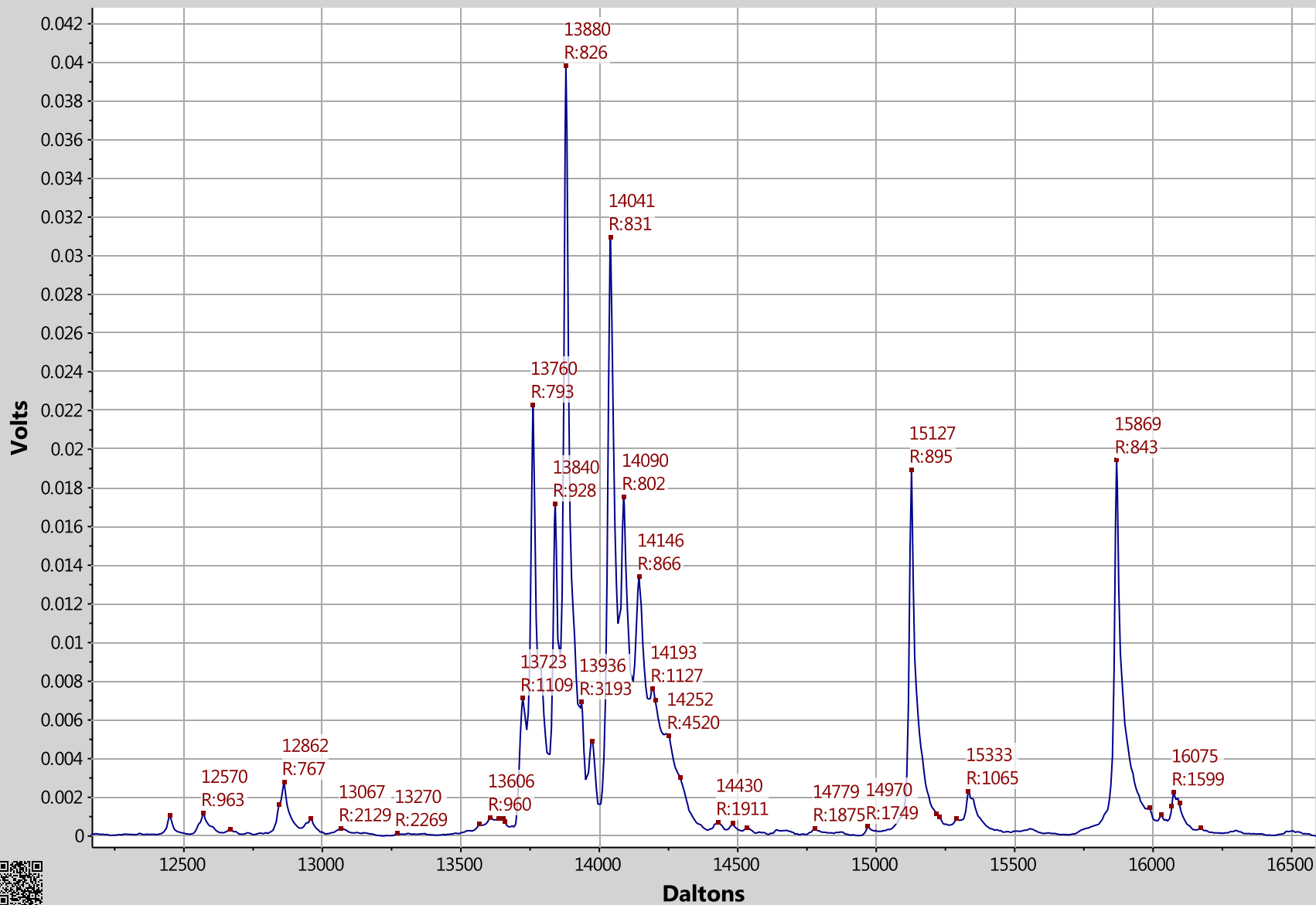


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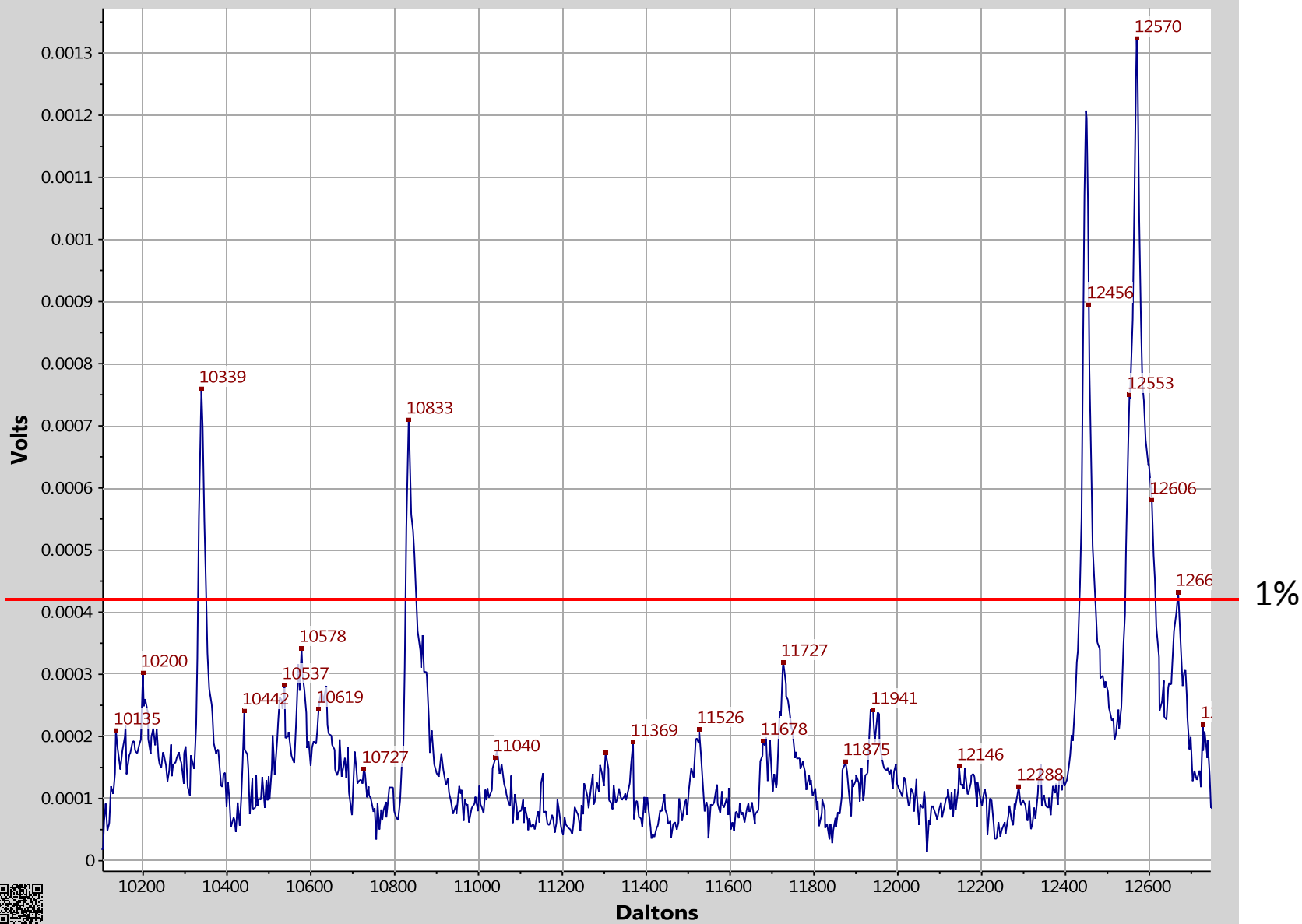


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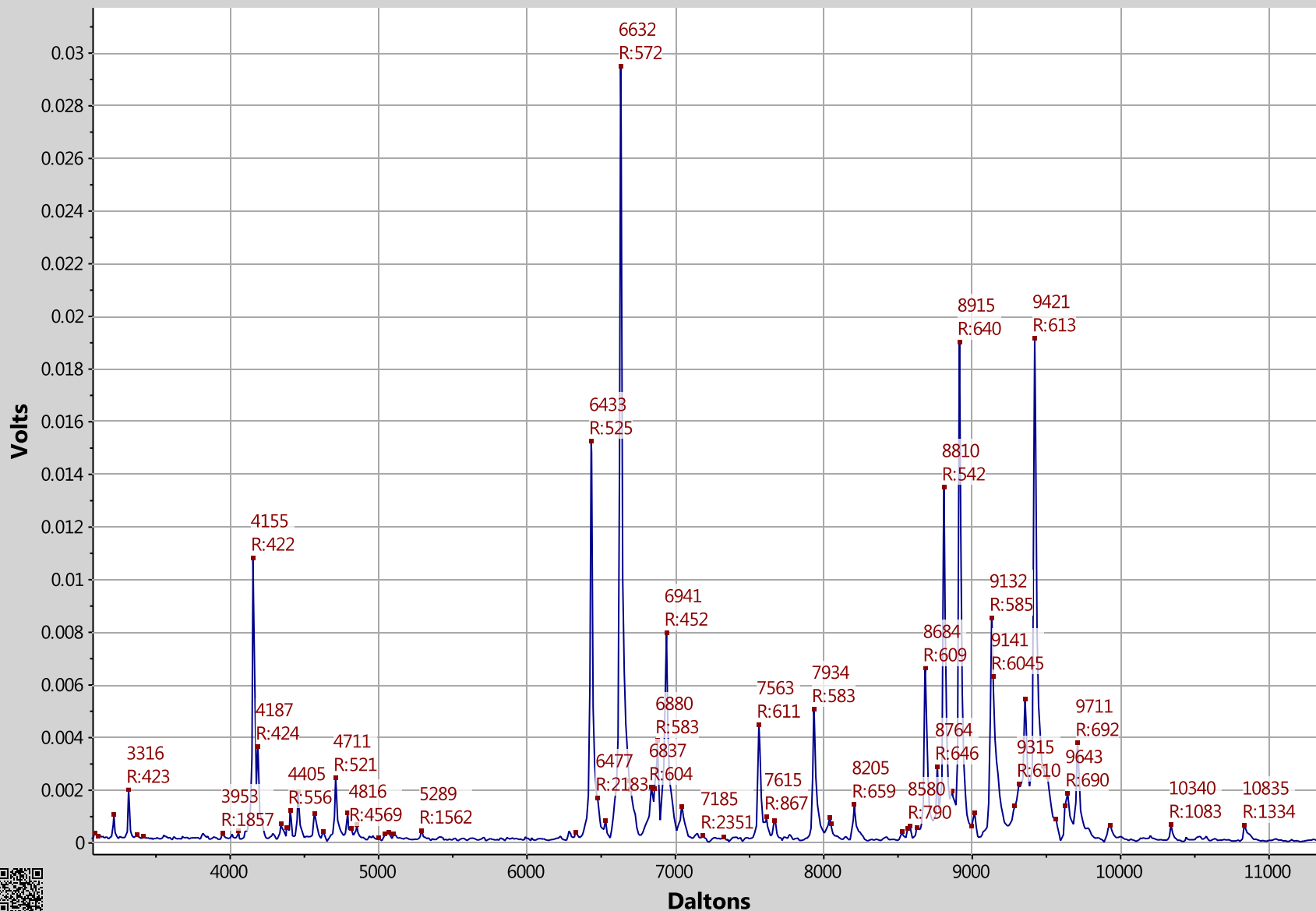


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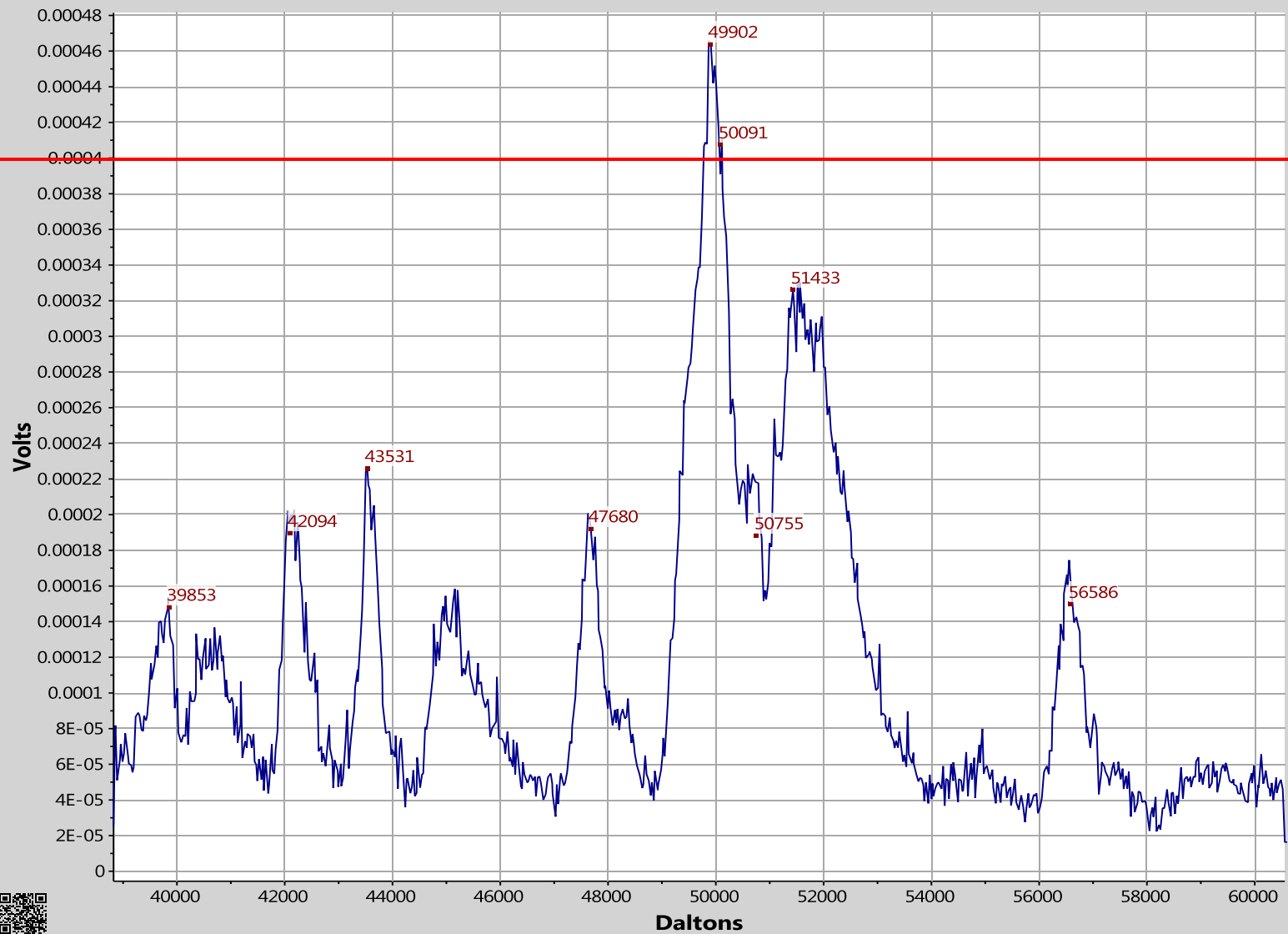
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1%



Examples of quantitation by MALDI-TOF

- Hemoglobin A1C

Whole blood diluted 1:2000 in sinapinic acid

Analysis and quantitation of glycated hemoglobin by matrix assisted laser desorption ionization time of flight mass spectrometry, S. J. Hattan et al, . J Am Soc Mass Spectrom. 2016 Jan 5. [Epub ahead of print] PubMed PMID: 26733405.

Hemoglobin from whole blood 1:2000 dilution in HCCA matrix

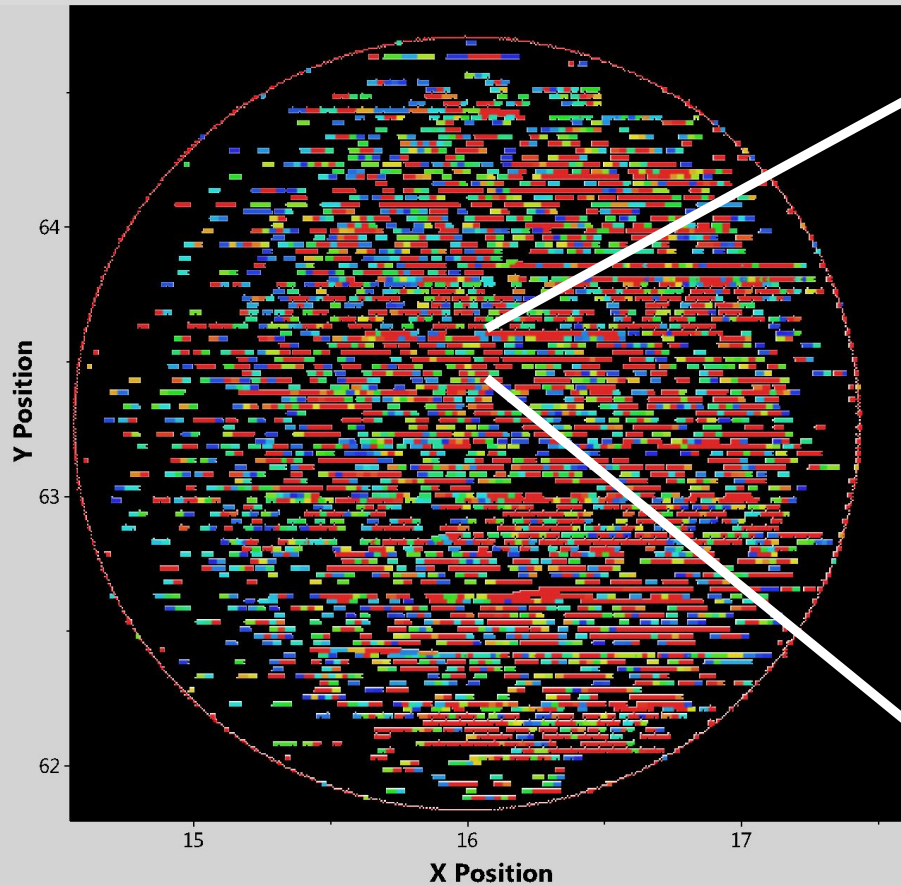
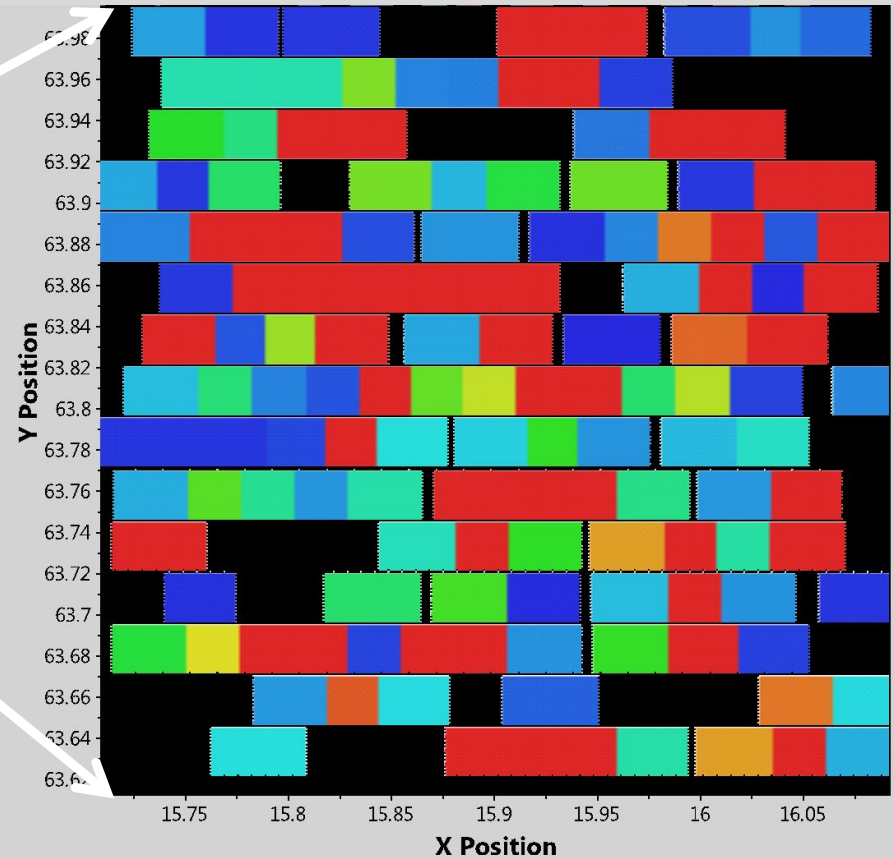
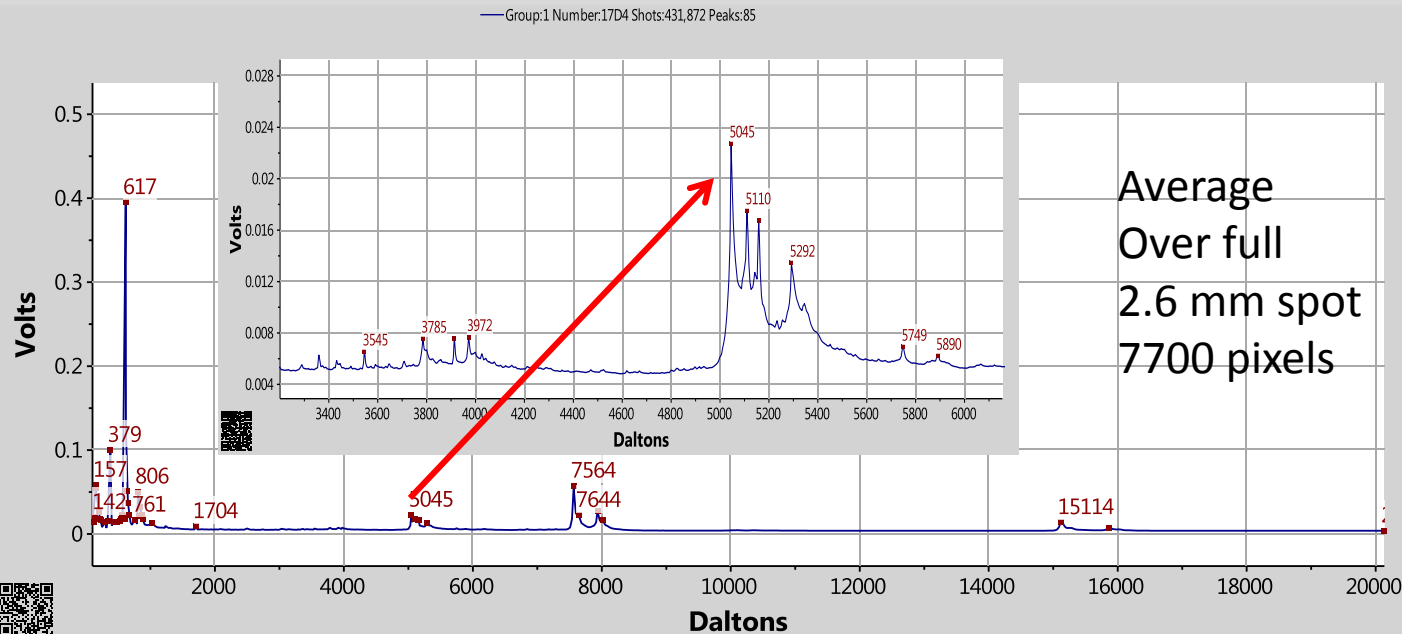
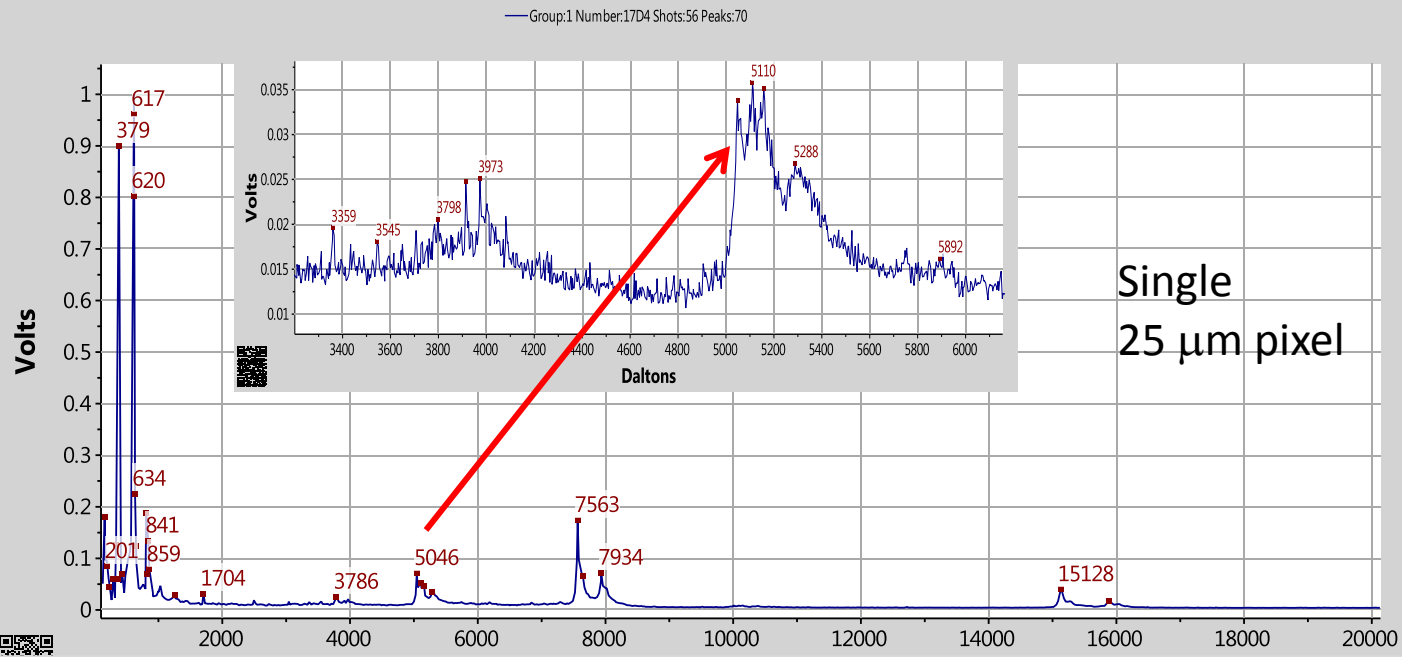
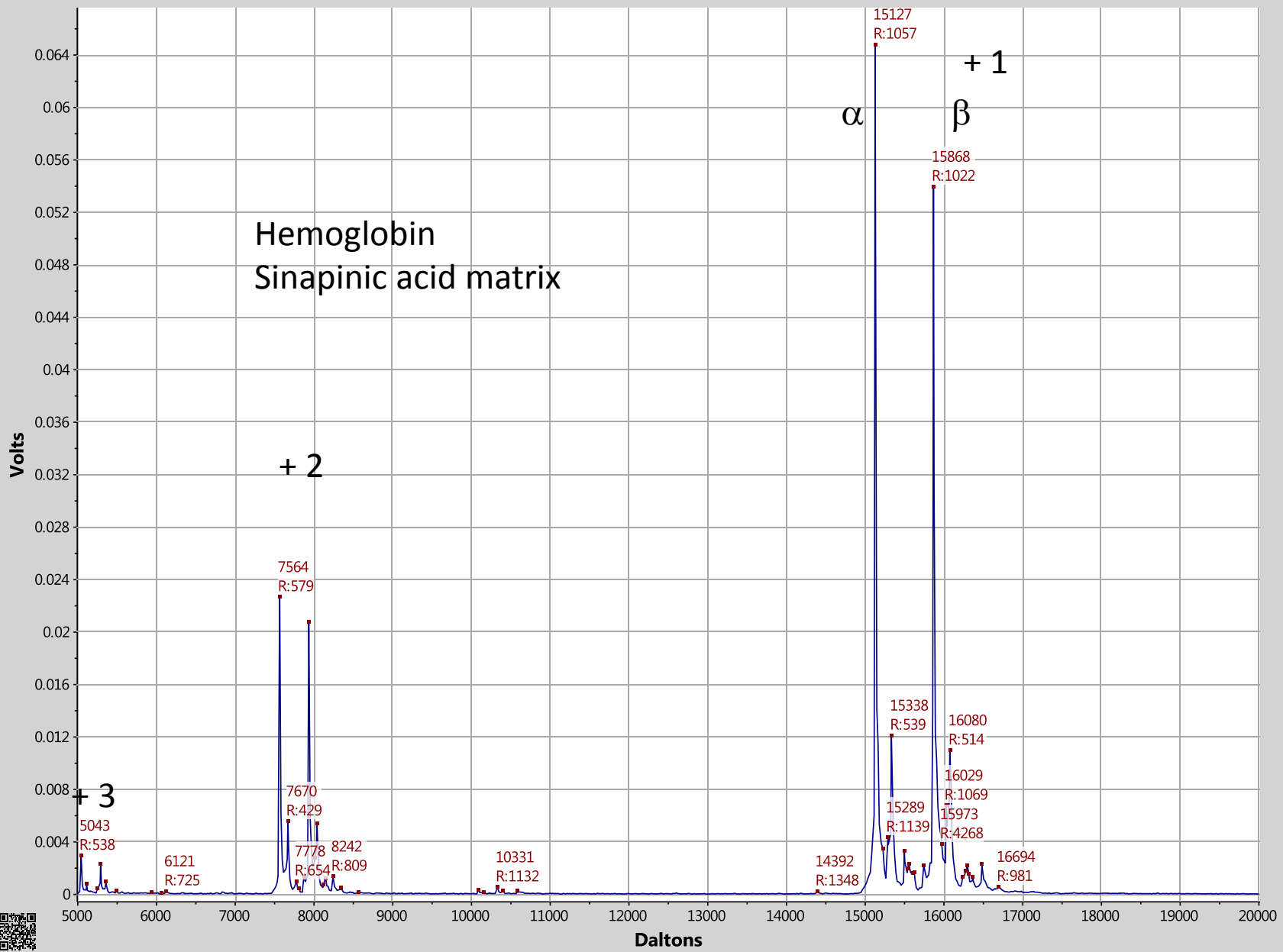


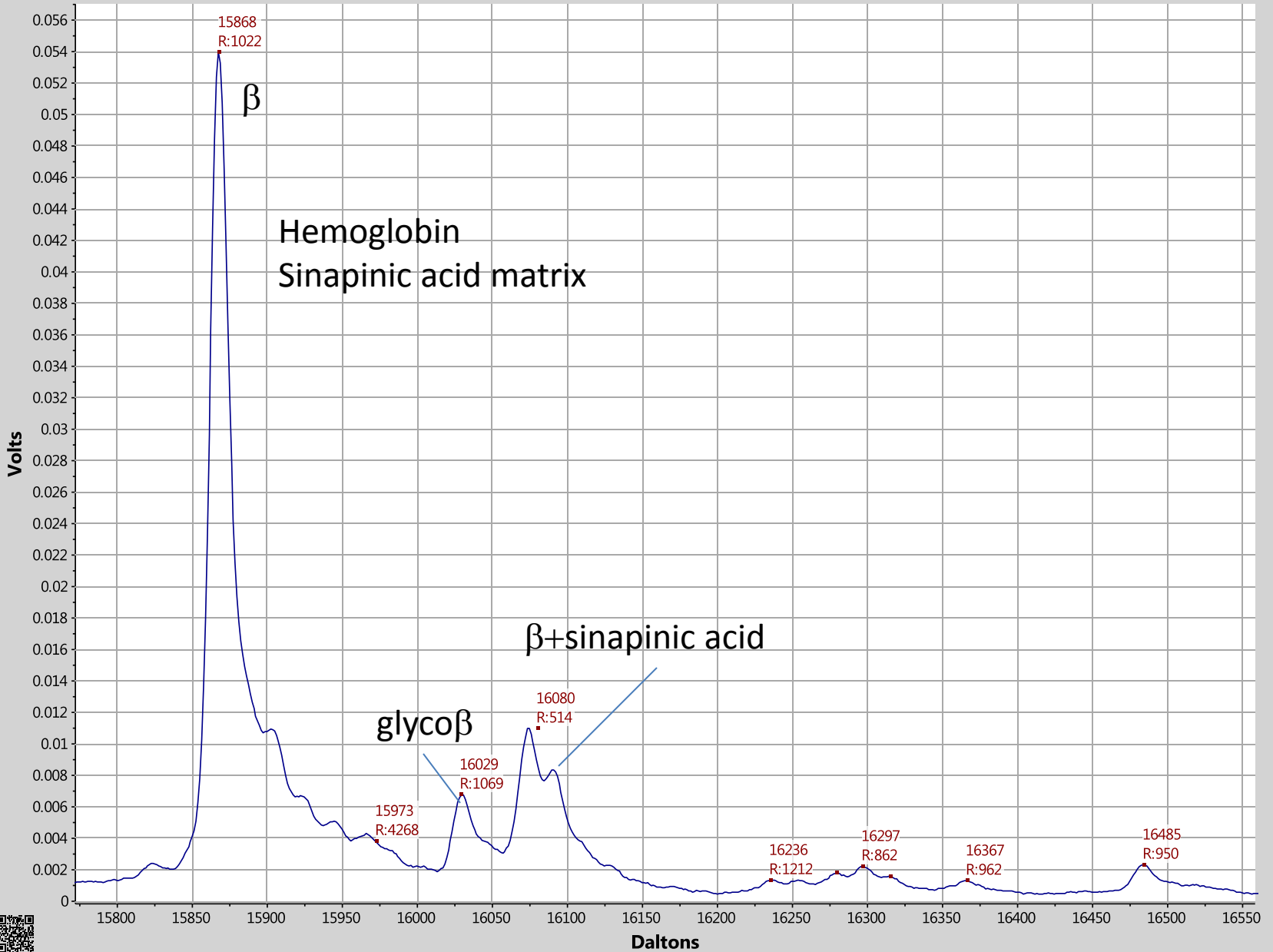
Image of 2.6 mm spot (450,000 laser shots) with 25 μm pixels, HCCA matrix 25 μm raster @2 mm/s 7700 pixels @56 shots/pixel saved 5 kHz laser, 90 pixels/s, 90 s acquisition

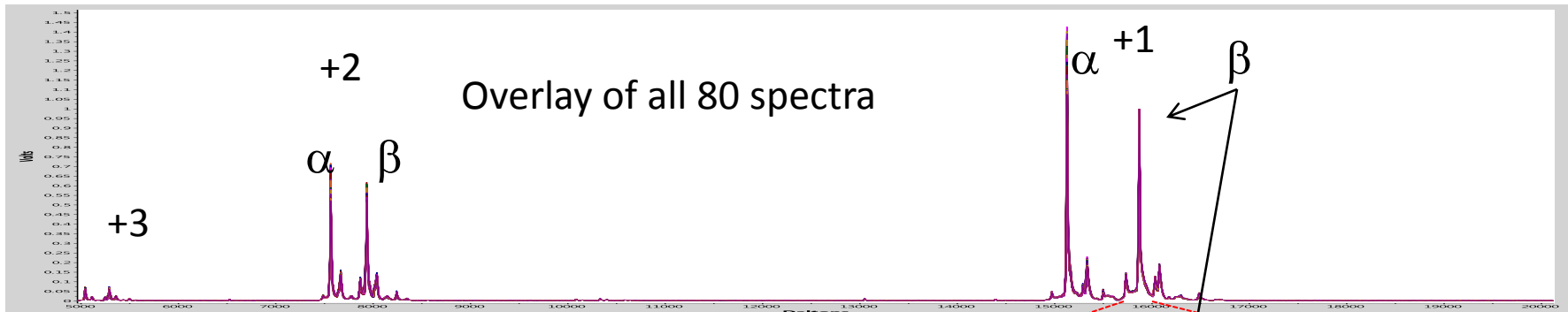


Blow-up of section of image
Showing 25 μm pixels



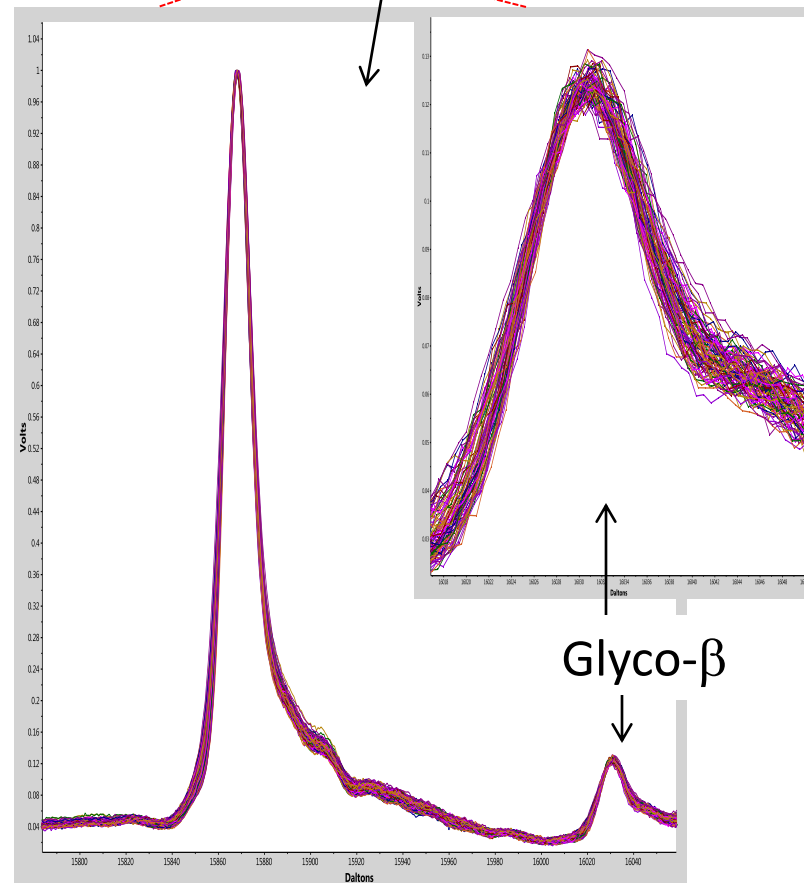






MALDI plate

	GlyHb/Hb%	CV %
A	13.52	1.39
B	13.48	0.71
C	13.20	0.62
D	13.07	0.99
E	13.07	0.96
F	13.11	0.90
G	12.98	0.67
H	12.99	1.19
I	13.05	0.96
J	12.99	0.99
K	13.08	0.92
L	13.01	0.66
M	13.16	1.00
N	13.15	0.84
O	13.22	0.70
P	13.17	0.85
Average	13.14	0.90
Std Dev	0.16	
Rel Std Dev	1.22	



Conclusion

MALDI-TOF MS analysis and quantitation of glycated- β Hb is both feasible and practical and contains some distinct advantages over currently practiced methods. The approach is accurate, precise, sensitive, rapid and requires minimum sample workup. The analysis is calibrated with NGSP validated, commercially available, reference materials and is demonstrated to be portable between different laboratories and different mass spectrometers. Both quantification and mass calibration are performed by using signals internal to each sample, thereby eliminating the need for addition of external reference materials. Additional and independent measurements are made simultaneously and these measurements serve to strengthen the confidence of the primary % glycated- β Hb measurement and potentially aid in Hb “variant-form” determination.