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iPRG 2011: **A Study on the Identification of Electron Transfer Dissociation (ETD) Mass Spectra**

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INTRODUCTION: CID AND ETD FROM 30K FEET



CID and ETD – differences

Collision Induced Dissociation (CID) relies on a series of bimolecular events (collisions) to provide the peptide precursor with sufficient energy to fragment (*ergodic* process). CID typically causes backbone fragmentation. y and b ions are by far the most prevalent fragment types.

Electron Transfer Dissociation (ETD) relies on the transfer of a single electron to a peptide precursor. This transfer likely creates a radical that very quickly decays into ion fragments (a *non-ergodic* process). Like CID, ETD typically causes backbone fragmentation, but mostly resulting in c and z ions.

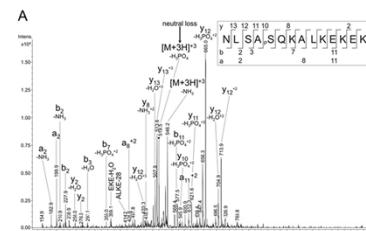
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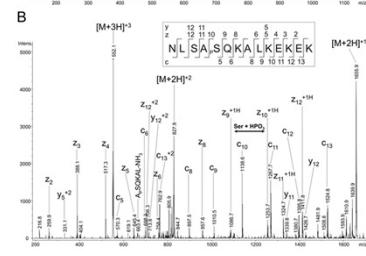
CID and ETD spectra - example

NanoLC-ESI-MS/MS analysis of the CcO subunit IV.

CID



ETD



Helling S et al. Mol Cell Proteomics 2008;7:1714-1724





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Study Goals

- Primary: Evaluate the ability of participants to identify ETD spectra
- Secondary: Find out why result sets might differ between participants
- Tertiary: Produce a benchmark dataset, along with a spectral library and an analysis resource



Study Design

- Use a common, rich dataset
- Use a common sequence database
- Allow participants to use the bioinformatic tools and methods of their choosing
- Use a common reporting template
- Report results at an estimated 1% FDR (at the spectrum level)
- Ignore modification localization
- Ignore protein inference

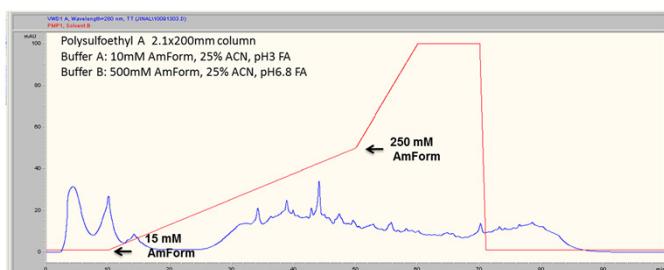
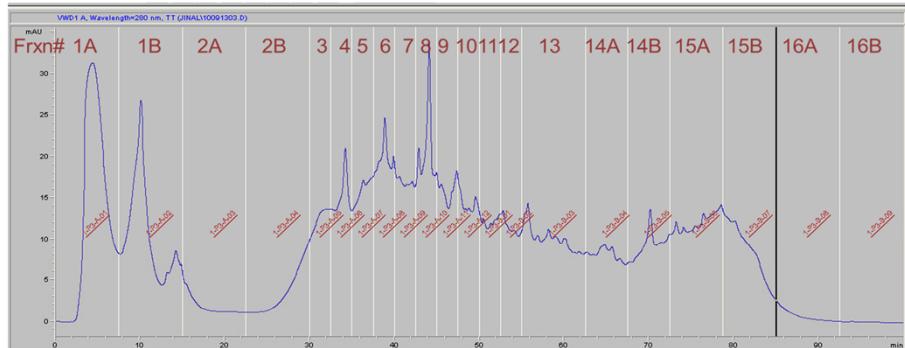


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The sample

NIST yeast lysate (six vials of RM8323), 228 μ g
protein, LysC digest separated on SCX column

A & B
pooled
after
concentrating



Sample prep by
Robert Chalkley,
UCSF

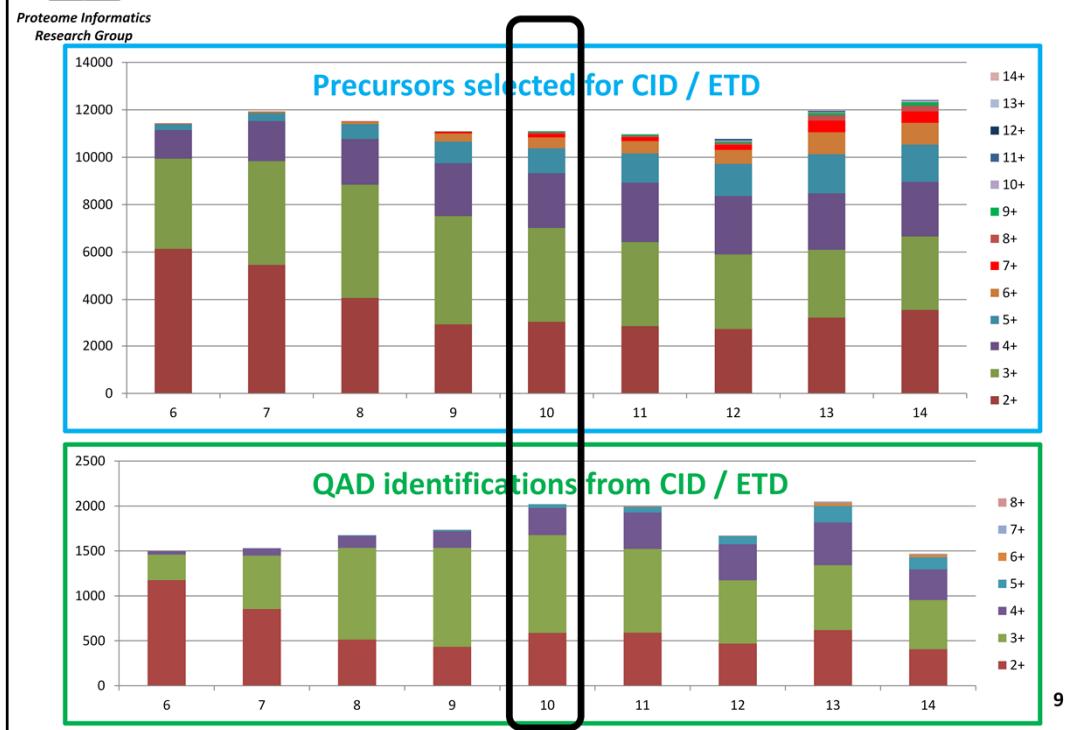
SCX by
Jinal Patel,
The Broad Institute

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Choosing a fraction for the study



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Study Materials (i)

- 1 LTQ-Orbitrap XL dataset (eq. 1 RAW file)
 - RAW, mzML, mzXML, MGF, dta – conversions by ProteoWizard 2.1.2051
- 1 fasta file (UniProtKB/SwissProt *S. cerevisiae* from Sept. 2010)
- 1 spectral library in SpectraST format (contributed by Henry Lam)
- 1 template (Excel)
- 1 on-line survey (Survey Monkey)



Study Materials (ii) – additional data

Not public yet

**Used to create
library**

Instrument:

XL – Orbitrap XL,
V – Velos Orbitrap

Fragmentation:

DT – Decision tree CID or ETD
DT – Decision tree HCD or ETD
H+E – HCD, ETD on each precursor
C+E – CID, ETD on each precursor
E – ETD only

Frac		Instrument	Fragmentation	MSMS Res/Acc	Spike?
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	K100923_Yeast_SCX09_ff6f6HE_pcc_01.raw	V	H+E	HH	
	D100915_yeast_SCX09S_rak_ft8E_pc_02.RAW	XL	E	L	Y
	V20100923-23	V	C+E	LL	
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	V20100923-29	V	DT (C or E)	LL	
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	V20100923-26	V	C+E	LL	
	V20100923-27	V	E	LL	
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	K100922_Sigma48_ft16DT_pcc_01.raw	V	DT (C or E)	LL	
	K100923_Sigma48_ff6f6HE_pcc_01.raw	V	H+E	HH	
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Instructions to Participants

1. Retrieve and analyze the data file in the format of your choosing, with the method(s) of your choosing
2. Report the peptide to spectrum matches in the provided template
3. Fill out the survey
4. Attach a 1-2 page description of the methodology employed

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Reporting Template (random example)

ABRF iPRG 2011 Study Template: ETD Data Analysis

Instructions: Please fill in all fields required fields (marked with *). After deleting the example rows, create a new row for each *peptide spectrum match*. Indicate whether each match is better than a 1% FDR on the spectrum-level. Include identifications above and below threshold. Results should be sorted by 'Search Engine Score' from most to least confident. Additional instructions can be found above each field header. Results should be emailed to 'anonymous.iprg2011@gmail.com' no later than Dec. 10, 2010. Please make sure to fill out the REQUIRED survey (URL).

Identifiers should be unique scan numbers from data file. Retention times and spectrum indices (e.g., from the MGF file) are also acceptable if described in the 1-2 page methods report corrections.	Measured precursor m/z as used by the search engine (possibly after mono-isotopic peak	Precursor mass error in m/z or ppm. This value should be reported as the Precursor m/z - Theoretical precursor m/z.	Precursor charge reported by the search engine	Use lowercase letters, a trailing delta mass value or a string in parentheses immediately following each residue containing a variable modification (see examples below). Localization ambiguity/certainty is not the focus of this study. (not required)	For each mod, list the position, amino acid residue and name of mod. For n-terminal modifications, use position=0 and residue=n-term. Mod localization is not the focus of this study. (not required)	Protein identifier(s) from Fasta file (see examples below). Use multiple values if peptide is found in multiple proteins. Protein inference is not the focus of this study. (not required)	Peptide identification score reported by search engine and used for FDR calculation (e.g., E-value, p-value, probability, Mascot score, etc.)	'Y' indicates this match is BETTER than the confidence threshold. 'N' indicates the match is WORSE. Please report BOTH types of identifications in your ranked list.
Spectrum Identifier*	Precursor m/z*	Precursor Mass error*	Precursor Charge*	Peptide Sequence*	Modifications	Protein Accession(s)	Search Engine Score*	Better than 1% FDR threshold?*
Scan:1753	563.7818	-0.0004	2	mVGnRYLEK	1,M,oxidation;4,N,des	Q12672	0.999999 Y	
Scan:4669	842.4291	0.0004	2	FFGFTPPEGVAERAQK		P23254	0.999999 Y	
Scan:2156	673.3224	-0.0009	2	TSGYADRTAEFK		P22146	0.999999 Y	
Scan:1571	414.8957	0.0007	3	nSTIKnHSLVK	1,N,deamidated;6,N,d	P41940	0.999999 Y	
Scan:6017	838.5427	-0.0031	2	qGVLLPTRIKLLLTK	1,Gln->pyro-glu	P02365	0.999999 Y	
Scan:4212	617.3125	0.0008	2	YKGnTEFVK	4,N,deamidated	P16521	0.999999 Y	
Scan:1587	658.3462	-0.0188	2	IIAENTNVAKDK		Q12447	0.999999 Y	
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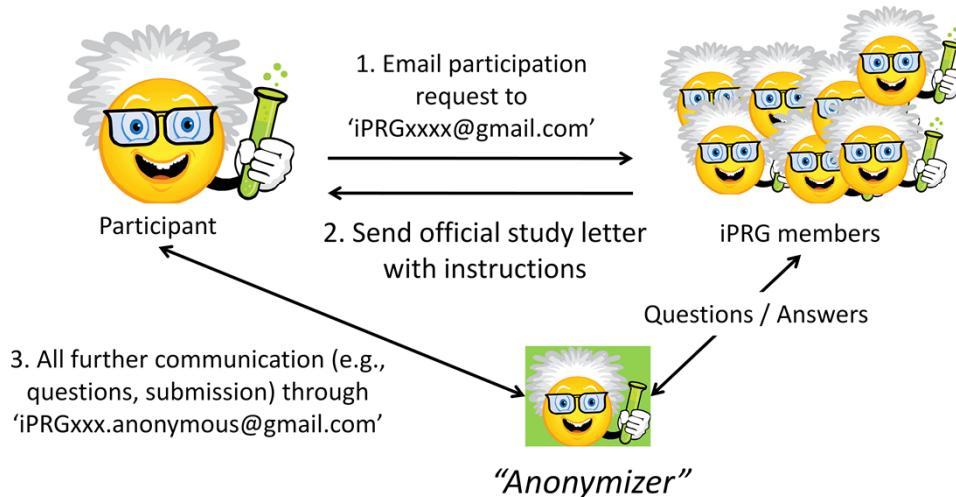
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Soliciting Participants and Logistics

Study advertised on the ABRF website and listserv, Molecular and Cellular Proteomics blogsite, ECD/ETD conference attendants, GenomeWeb and by direct invitation from iPRG members



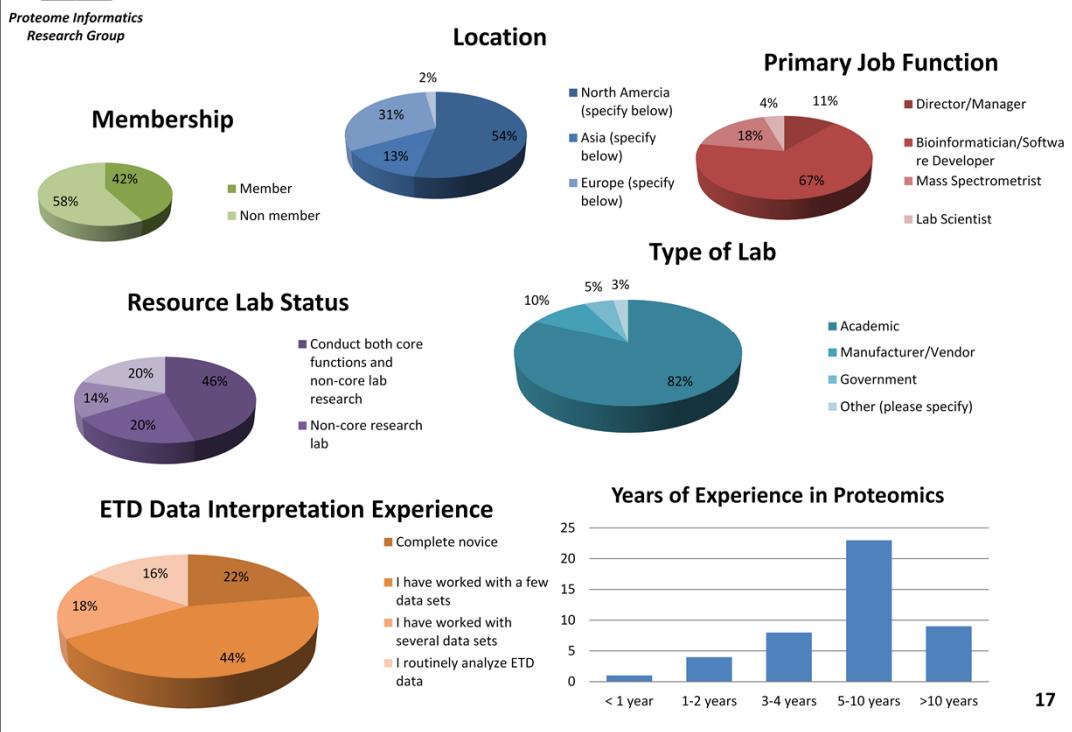


Participants (i) – *overall numbers*

- 40 requests / 36 submissions ('90% return')
 - Some participants submitted two result sets
- 9 initialed iPRG member submissions (with appended 'i')
- 8 vendor submissions (identifiable by appended 'v')



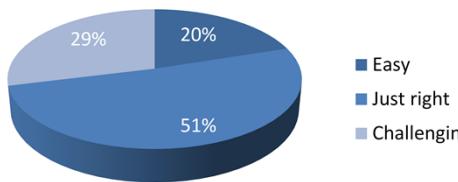
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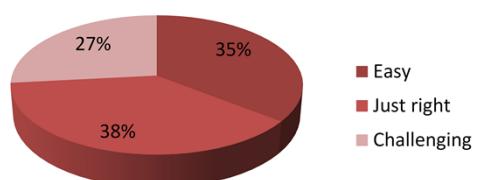


Participants (iii) – study opinions

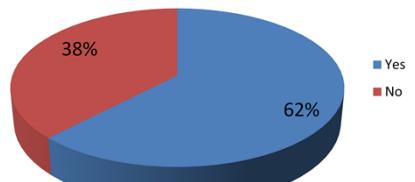
Study Difficulty Level



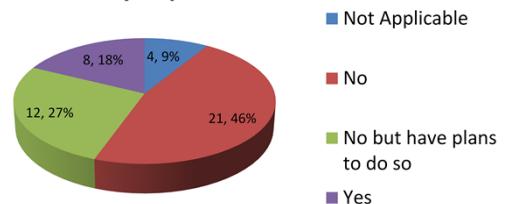
Reporting Difficulty Level



Have you participated in previous
ABRF studies?

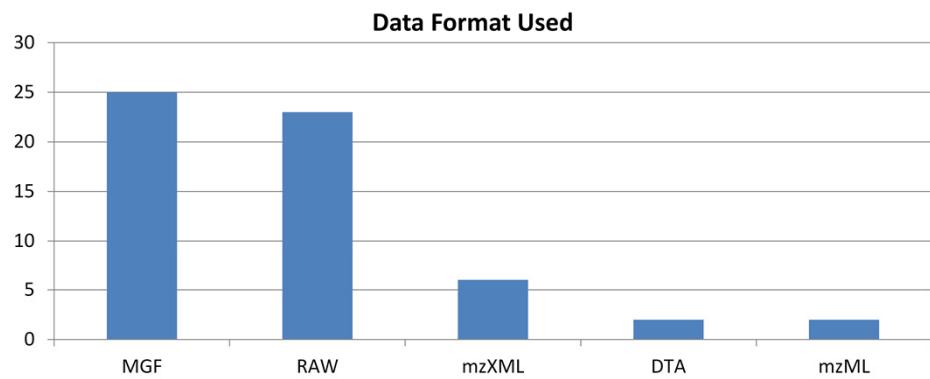


Do you provide this service?





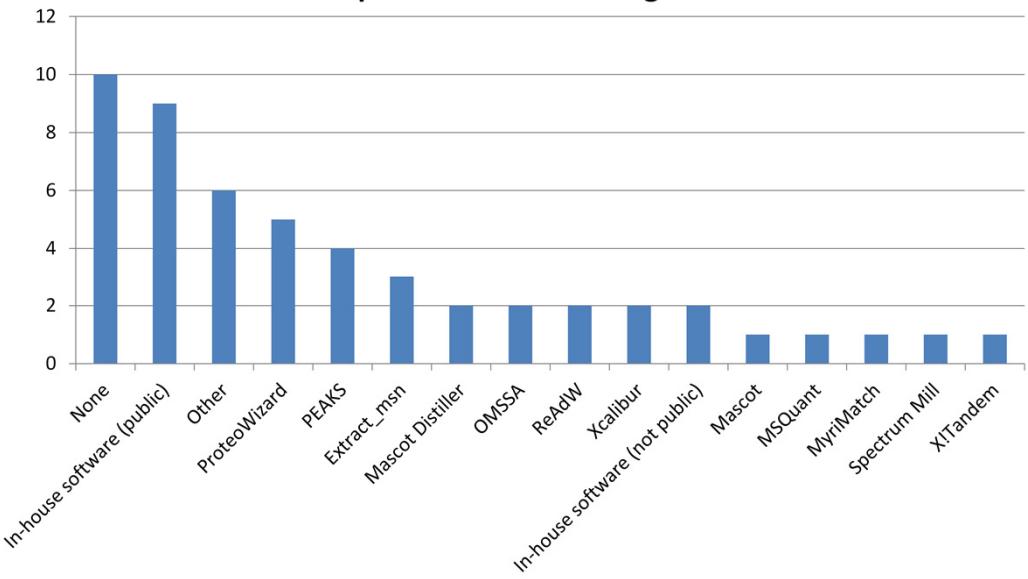
Participants (iv) – methods (i)





Participants (v) – methods (ii)

Spectral Pre-Processing



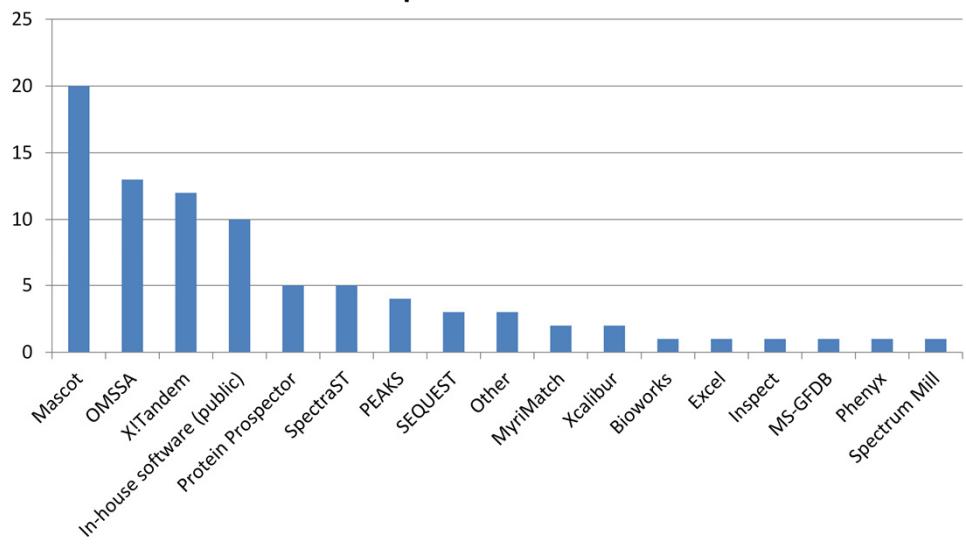
Other / in-house (public / non-public):

DTARefinery, DeconMSn, DTA Generator, Etdgenerator, RawExtractor, Hardklor, multiplierz, ReAdW, Byonic²⁰



Participants (vi) – methods (iii)

Peptide identification



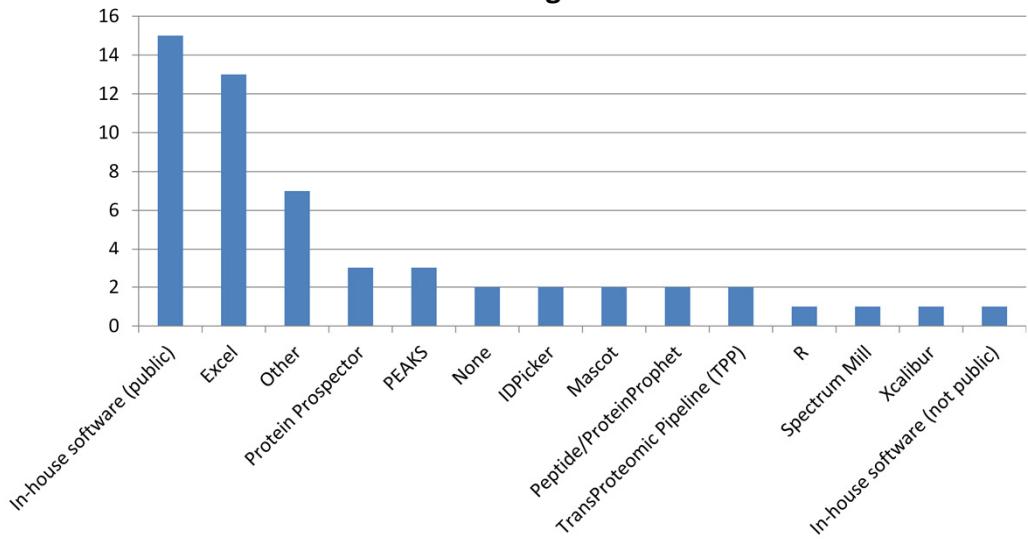
Other / in-house (public / non-public):

pFind, Byonic, ProteinScape, MS_LIMS, PVIEW, PepArML, Byonic2, Proteome Discoverer



Participants (vii) – methods (iv)

Results filtering

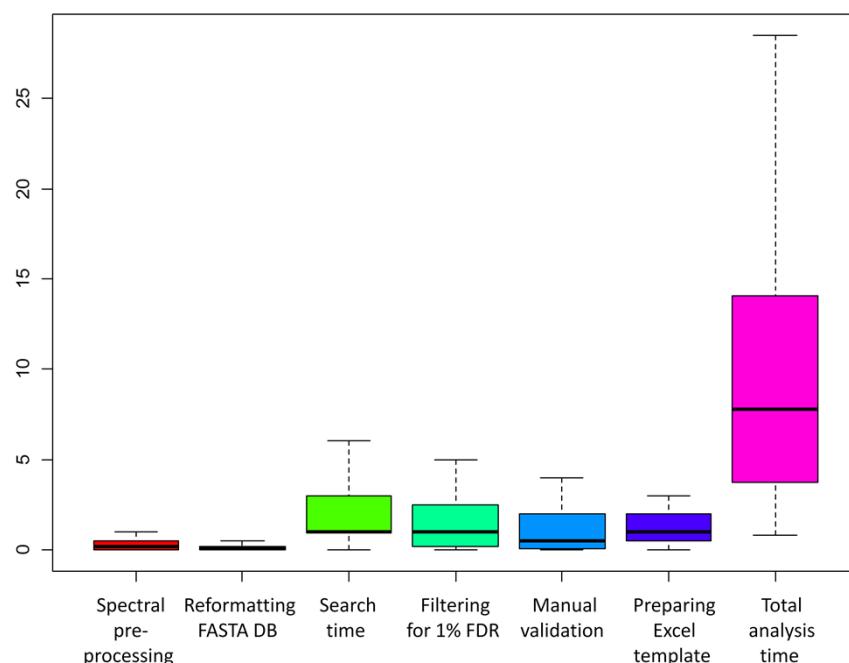


Other / in-house (public / non-public):

pBuild, ComByne, ProteinScape, Percolator, PVIEW, Epitomize, FDR Optimizer, MSblender, OmssaParser, MascotDatFile, multiplierz, ComputeFDR, Proteome discoverer 22



Participants (viii) – time spent (hours)

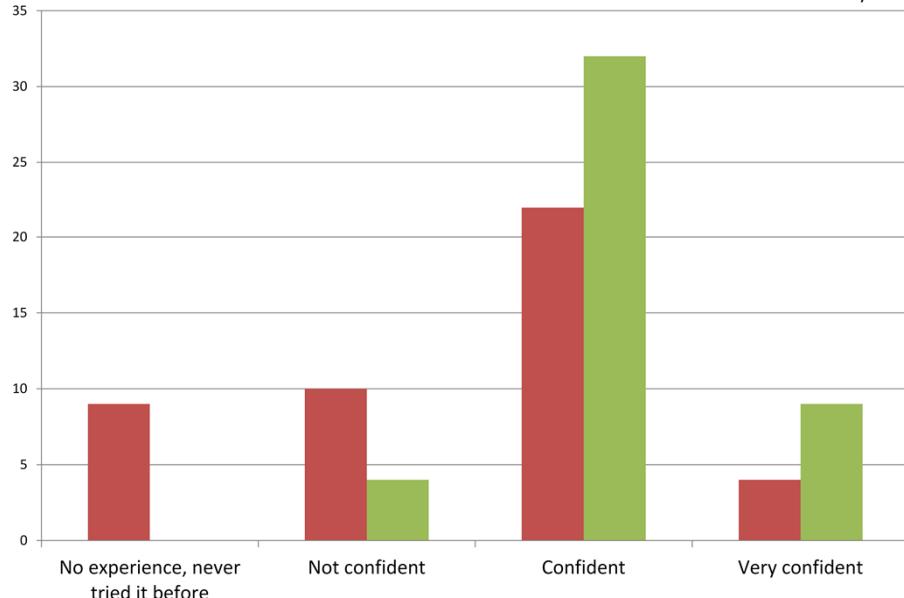




Participants (ix) – confidence

Confidence in processing ETD data

■ Before study
■ After study



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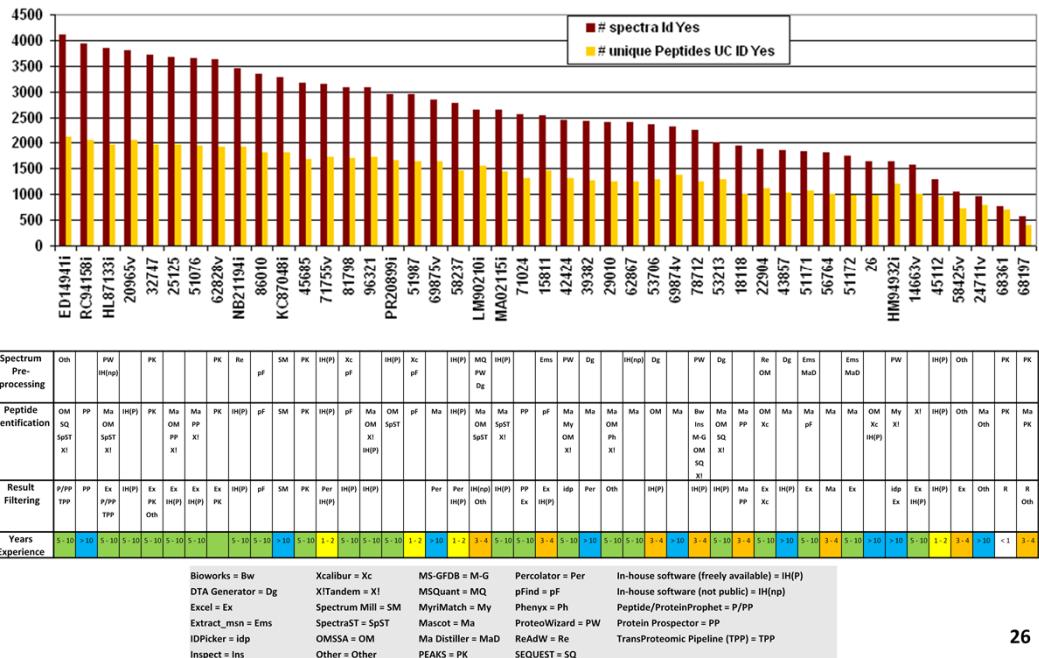
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Total identifications and methods

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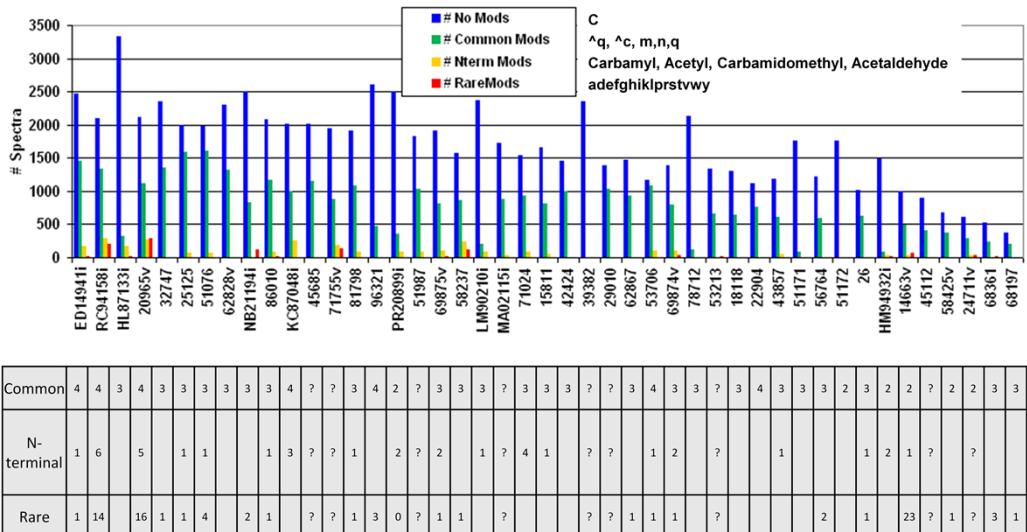
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iPRG studies are not competitions. Leftmost is not meant to imply best, it just reflects the sorting criterion: total number of confident ids; this was chosen as a convenient means of sorting, and this sort is used throughout for consistency.



Modifications

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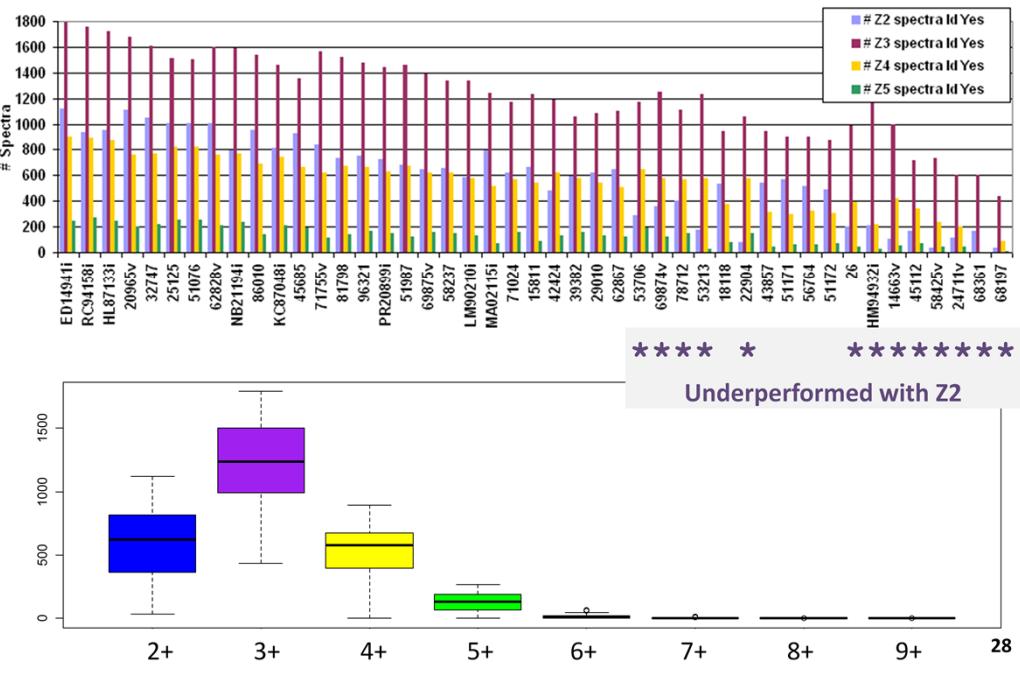
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Questions marks and blanks are present when participants either did not clearly indicate which modifications were allowed for or did not include them in a sequence specific manner in their results.

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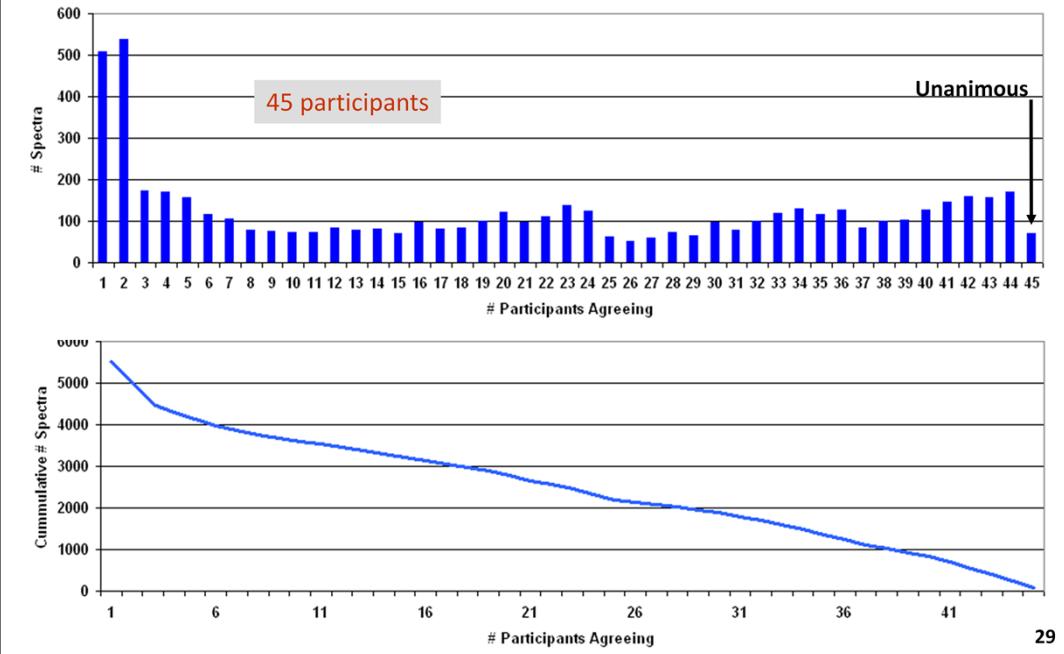
Charge state distributions

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Overlap of spectrum identifications



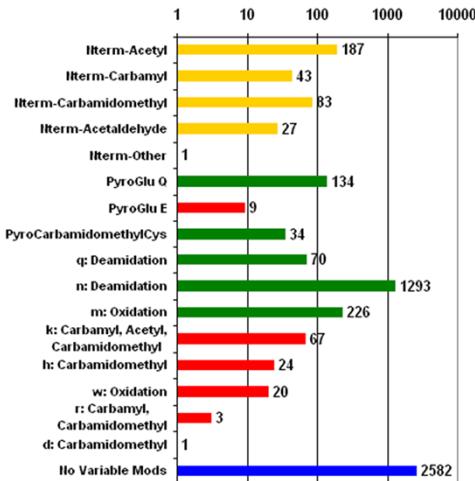
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Since an inordinate number of spectra had only 1 or 2 participants agreeing, we selected 3 participants agreeing as the threshold for denoting consensus agreement. Consensus requires agreement on sequence, so do note that this still allows for disagreement on modification localization.



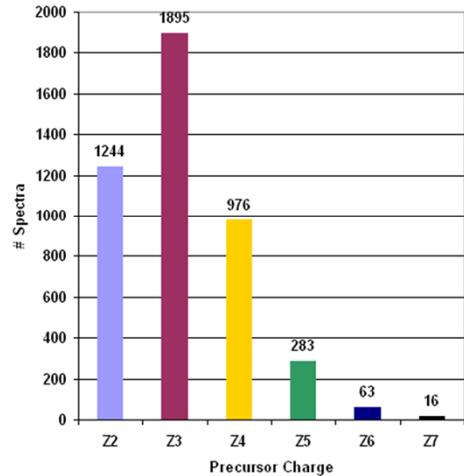
Characteristics of consensus spectra

4477 spectra >=3 participants agreeing on sequence



Consensus requires agreement on Sequence, but not modification localization

- # No Mods
- # Common Mods
- # Nterm Mods
- # RareMods



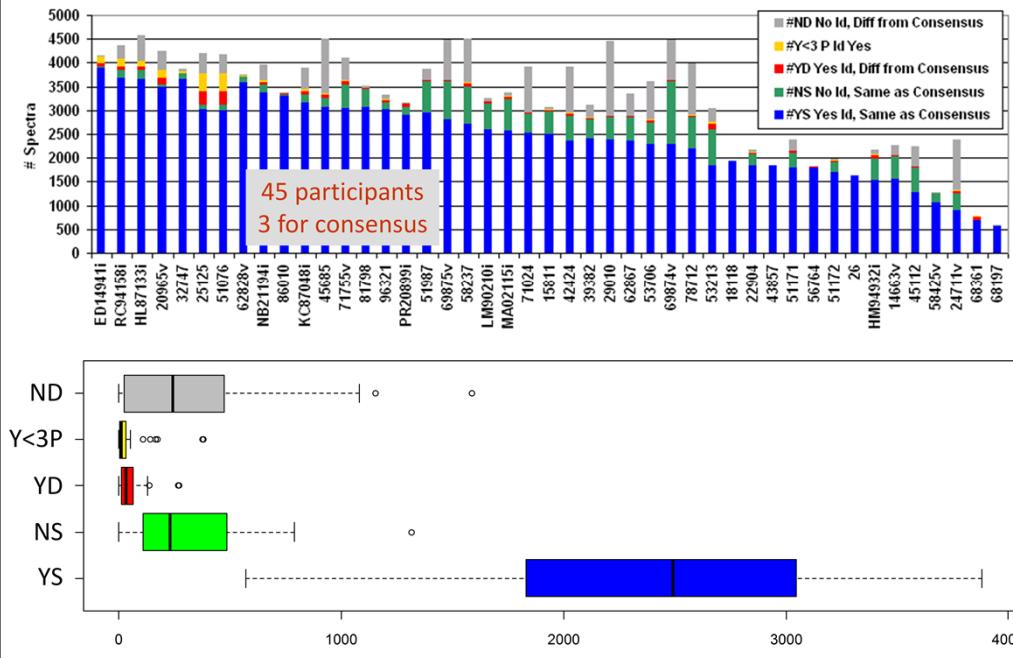
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We would also like to have categorized how many identified spectra were derived from enzymatic specificity of full, semi, or none. This information was not readily collected. However, for some participants 10-20% of confident identifications came from something other than full enzymatic specificity.



Room for improvement in thresholding?

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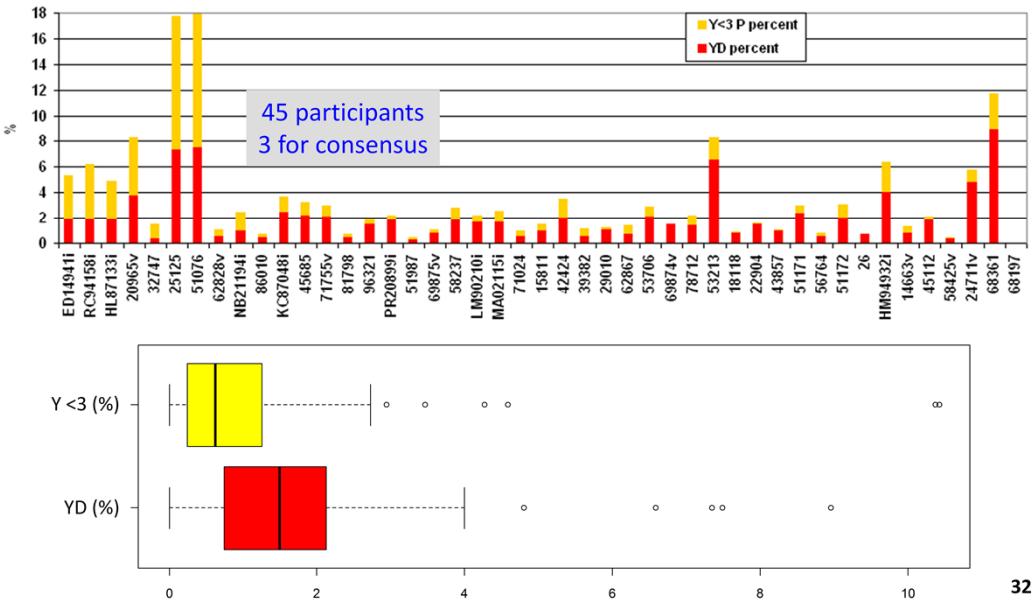
The green (NS) bars represent the room for improving confidence threshold setting. If one could improve the decision making about confidence in a peptide spectral match, without increasing FDR then the sum of the heights of the blue (YS) and green (NS) bars appears to be within reach for many participants to substantially improve their overall identification totals.



ESR and FDR

Extraordinary Skill Rate or High False Discovery Rate?

$$\text{ESR} + \text{FDR} = 100^* (\text{Y}<3\text{P}+\text{YD})/\text{total ids}$$



When particular identifications are reported by less than 3 participants it is difficult to tell whether that represents extraordinary skill or just another false positive. On the other hand, disagreement with the consensus (YD) is more likely to indicate a wrong answer. Consequently, the YD rate serves as a surrogate for the minimum FDR level. Note that many participants, especially those to the far left tend to have a YD rate >1%, which suggests they have underestimated their FDR level. The study was requested to be performed at 1% FDR.



Resource for inspecting ID overlap

YS: Y – identification, and top sequence same as consensus
 NS: N – identification, but top sequence same as consensus
 YD: Y – identification, and top sequence different than consensus

spectrumSequence	nTerm	cursor m/z	Charge	ED14941i	RC94158i	HL87133i	20965v	32747	25125	51076	NB21194i	86010	KC87048i	numYDinRov	numYSinRov	numDifferent
6712	GVSAAVAK	771.4227	4	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	34	3
7661	PTGLPLVFEL	892.4985	3	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	ND	YS	YS	YS	0	18	1
1801	EMHHEQLEQ	456.2073	3	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	ND	YS	YS	YS	0	20	1
5006	NYVKPAFTR			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	ND	YS	YS	YS	0	22	1
3074	QGTWLNL			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	YS	0	26	4
3509	VEARKLV			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	1	37	2
7652	3RLASVV			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	3	2
3163	QADKDTV			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	22	1
4863	K			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	1	40	1
1178	LLEARTI			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	ND	YS	YS	5	4	1
4628	TVYEDLRY			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	30	1
4361	EEELAKIM			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	2	12	1
5521	DLKDOKRV			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	5	2
5499	SNLLNK			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	26	7
1250	SVLDI			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	1	21	2
6642	HITVF			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	1	14	4
5810	G			YS	ND	ND	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	4	19	1
1630	DG			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	23	1
3497	ET			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	2	21	1
4340	P			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	40	1
3185				YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	32	2
3109	S			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	38	2
7022	DFADK			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	ND	1	7	2
728	SDRDAL			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	0	29	1
1638	DLLQ			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	NS	YS	YS	YS	1	17	1
5060	DTVMRW			YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	YS	2	26	1

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Complete spreadsheet will be available for download at
<http://www.abrf.org/index.cfm/group.show/ProteomicsInformaticsResearchGroup.53.htm>



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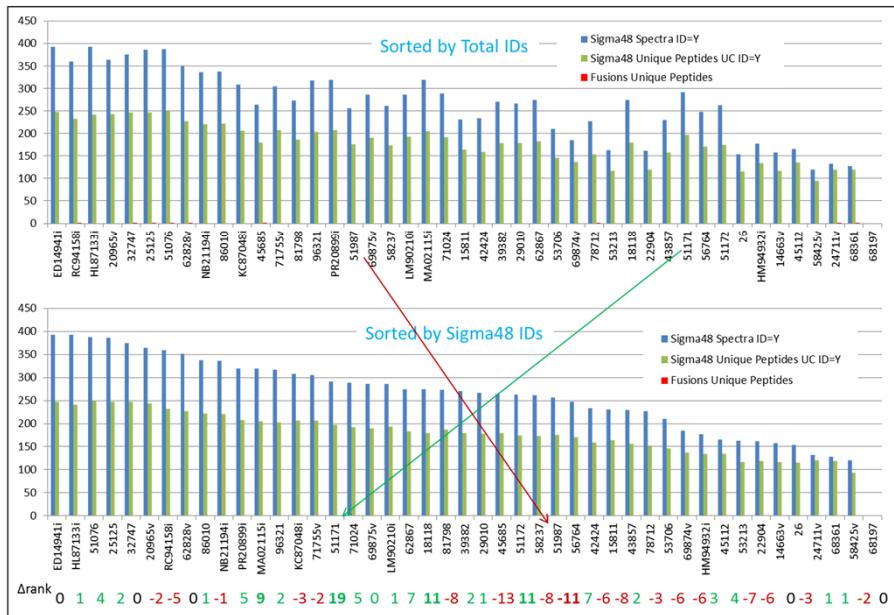
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Surprise N° 1: Sigma-48 spike-in

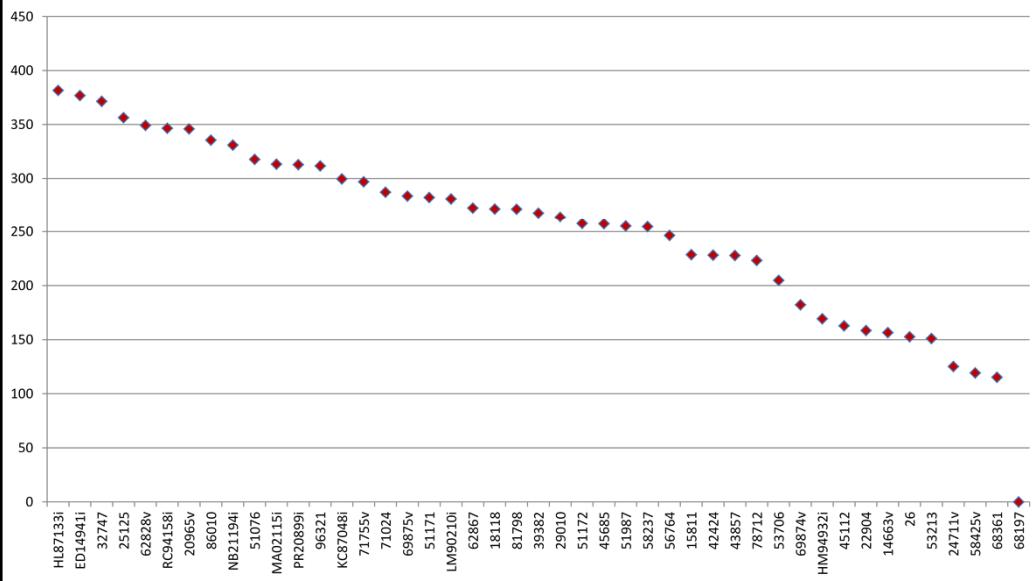
Sigma 48 digested separately and not subjected to SCX. Spike-in at a level to yield ~10% of ID peptides. *Biases against non-iPRG DB users, and SCX prediction users.*





Sigma-48 as TP estimator

Proxy for FD rate
 $\text{Sigma48 IDs} - (\text{Sigma48 IDs} * \text{YDR})$





Surprise N° 2: Dr. Moreaudnick...

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Orig. yeast sequences / Previously unidentified yeast protein

Fusion junction (underlined)

Final fusion in FASTA

- Next protein in FASTA

Sigma48 protein

>sp|P01344|IGF2_HUMAN Insulin-like growth factor II OS=Homo sapiens GN=IGF2 PE=1 SV=1
MGI|PMG|KGSMLVLLFLAFASCCIAYRPSETLCGGELVDTLQFCVGDRGFYFSRPAH
RRSRSSRPRFCSRDALLLETYCATPAKSERDVSTPPTVLPDNFPFRYVGK¹YDQW
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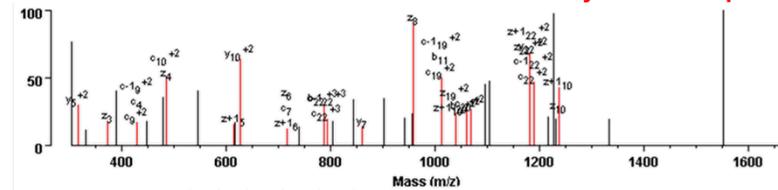
Identification of *fusion* peptides

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Five participants reported the peptide:

KLVAASQAALGLMNYLETQLNKK

C-terminus of Human Serum Albumin - N-terminus of Pachytene arrest protein SAE3

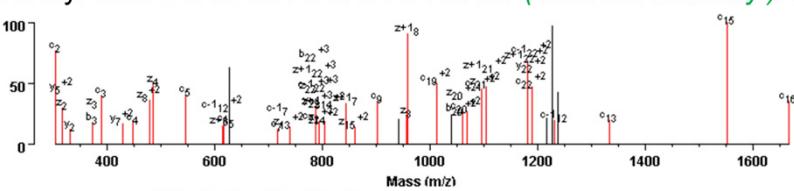


Max Intensity: 304 Num Matched: 19/40 (52.5% unmatched) Matched Intensity: 46.5% Matched Series Intensity: 46.5%

Consensus Answer:

rare mod

Acetyl-SRSGVAVADESLTAFNDLKLG**K(Carbamidomethyl)K⁴⁺**



Max Intensity: 304 Num Matched: 22/40 (17.5% unmatched) Matched Intensity: 79.6% Matched Series Intensity: 79.6%

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Conclusions

- Study went well and had global participation, with quite a few first-timers joining in
- Earlier software problems with interpreting doubly-charged precursors have been largely cleared up
- Experience with software is probably a better measure of performance than the actual tool used
- People are generally over-optimistic about how reliable their results are (FDR underestimation)
- However, false negatives (NS) are generally much higher than false positives, so there is room for improvement there



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What did the participants think?

"I work in an environment without a group of peers doing proteomics. So having a study like this definitely gives me a chance to compare notes with others and benchmark my abilities. It also gives me a piece of evidence to prove my ability to people that are not in the field, such as users, administrators, advisory committee. I believe all core only facilities should participate in these studies."

100% of participants found the study useful

"The results of this study will be good to show how much room for improvement there is for the popular identification tools in ETD analysis. It's a good opportunity for lesser known and more open software to make a significant impact in the field."



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Thank you! Questions?

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