

Revealing What Others Leave Unseen

SLIM Based High-Resolution Ion Mobility for Large Biomolecule Characterization

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Why Characterization Matters



- Small structural changes can have dramatic effects on product safety and efficacy
- Post-translational modifications (PTMs) can be induced by environmental factors during production, formation, and storage
- Manufacturers are required to demonstrate full control over their production process and thoroughly characterize the protein sequence and PTMs

Image: Rouet, et al. Stability engineering of the human antibody repertoire. FEBS Letters. 588 (2), 21 Jan 2014 https://doi.org/10.1016/j.febslet.2013.11.029



The Problem

Classical analytical techniques are too slow, too complex and/or not powerful enough to address molecular and structural characterization challenges in biopharma drug development, early disease detection and clinical diagnostic markets.





RESOLUTION Instruments are not powerful enough to separate and identify challenging molecules with minimal differences



THROUGHPUT Analysis takes too long, component changes and complex method development reduces instrument uptime



EASE-OF-USE A lack of practical utility prevents adoption in routine test labs or requires hiring expensive, skilled operators



TRADE-OFFS

Incumbent instruments might provide adequate speed, resolution or ease of use, but not all at the same time





The Solution: Digitizing Separations with High Resolution Ion Mobility **Easier methods, better resolution, faster analysis, more reproducible results**



CURRENT SEPARATION TECHNIQUE Liquid Chromatography





A Brief History of MOBILion Systems, Inc.



What is Ion Mobility?

- Gas Phase Size-based Separation
 - The time it takes ions to travel through a gas depends on their size/charge, pressure and electric field strength
 - Challenging chemical separations can be achieved in less than a second





Unparalleled Resolution within a Small Footprint



13-meter SLIM Path

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MOBIE – MOBILion's High-Resolution Ion Mobility Platform

- Best-in-class High-Resolution Ion Mobility (HRIM) Platform across a wide mass range
- Based on SLIM Structures for Lossless Ion Manipulation
- Compatible with Agilent Q-TOF Models
 - 6545 LC/Q-TOF
 - 6545XT AdvanceBio LC/Q-TOF
 - 6546 LC/Q-TOF
- Integrated with Protein Metrics Byos[®]





HRIM-TOF Data Acquisition Methodology



Improve Resolution, Throughput and Ease of Use with HRIM



Lengthy chromatographic methods are required for PTM identification and quantitation

HRIM separations occur in gas-phase with peak capacities rivaling UHPLC



Some PTMs are poorly resolved, and at worst, go undetected

HRIM resolves isomeric structural variants without additional hardware modification



Decreasing method complexity often comes at the sacrifice of method performance

HRIM reduces method time by 3 – 4.5X¹ while maintaining method performance

Higher quality data in less time = safer, more efficacious drugs to market faster

MOBIE Target Applications



Highest resolution for best-in-class separation



HRIM-MS for Characterization of Biotherapeutics

Intact Analysis

Subunit Analysis

Peptide Mapping



High-Resolution Ion Mobility Peptide Mapping



HRIM Decreases Overall Analysis Time



- Peptide Mapping to Identify and Monitor CQAs
- Conventional LC-MS peptide mapping workflows take 60-90 minutes
- Data sets are complex and timely to process

Implementing HRIM into this workflow can decrease overall analysis time and provide an orthogonal mode of peptide identification for increased accuracy

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Integrated Data Processing Software - BioPharma



Exclusive Ion Mobility-Enabled Data Processing With Protein Metrics



Protein Metrics Byos[®] Workflow for HRIM-MS

- Fully integrated with MOBIE
- Identification and quantification of protein modifications
- Analyze 4D data with simple interface



Arrival Time Distribution

HRIM Reduces Dependency on LC for Sequence Confirmation

	NIST r	nAb F	leavy	Chain	
1 <u>0</u>	2 <u>0</u>	3 <u>0</u>	4 <u>0</u>	5 <u>0</u>	6 <u>0</u>
QVTLRESGPA	LVKPTQTLTL	TCTFSGFSLS	TAGMSVGWIR	QPPGKALEWL	ADIWWDDKKH
7 <u>0</u>	8 <u>0</u>	9 <u>0</u>	10 <u>0</u>	11 <u>0</u>	12 <u>0</u>
YNPSLKDRLT	ISKDTSKNQV	VLKVTNMDPA	DTATYYCARD	MIFNFYFDVW	GQGTTVTVS
13 <u>0</u>	14 <u>0</u>	15 <u>0</u>	16 <u>0</u>	17 <u>0</u>	18 <u>0</u>
ASTKGPSVFP	LAPSSKSTSG	GTAALGCLVK	DYFPEPVTVS	WNSGALTSGV	HTFPAVLQSS
19 <u>0</u>	20 <u>0</u>	21 <u>0</u>	22 <u>0</u>	23 <u>0</u>	24 <u>@</u>
GLYSLSSVVT	VPSSSLGTQT	YICNVNHKPS	NTKVDKRVEP	KSCDKTHTCP	PCPAPELLG@
25 <u>0</u>	26 <u>0</u>	27 <u>0</u>	28 <u>0</u>	29 <u>0</u>	30 <u>0</u>
PSVFLFPPKP	KDTLMISRTP	EVTCVVVDVS	HEDPEVKFNW	YVDGVEVHNA	KTKPREEQYN
31 <u>0</u>	32 <u>0</u>	33 <u>0</u>	34 <u>0</u>	35 <u>0</u>	36 <u>0</u>
STYRVVSVLT	VLHQDWLNGK	EYKCKVSNKA	LPAPIEKTIS	KAKGQPREPQ	VYTLPPSREE
37 <u>0</u>	38 <u>0</u>	39 <u>0</u>	40 <u>0</u>	41 <u>0</u>	42 <u>0</u>
MTKNQVSLTC	LVKGFYPSDI	AVEWESNGQP	ENNYKTTPPV	LDSDGSFFLY	SKLTVDKSRW
43 <u>0</u> QQGNVFSCSV	44 <u>0</u> MHEALHNHYT	45 <u>0</u> QKSLSLSPGK			

NIST mAb Light Chain								
1 <u>0</u>	2 <u>0</u>	3 <u>0</u>	4 <u>0</u>	5 <u>0</u>	6 <u>0</u>			
DIQMTQSPST	LSASVGDRVT	ITCSASSRVG	YMHWYQQKPG	KAPKLLIYDT	SKLASGVPSR			
7 <u>0</u>	8 <u>0</u>	9 <u>0</u>	10 <u>0</u>	11 <u>0</u>	12 <u>0</u>			
FSGSGSGTEF	TLTISSLQPD	DFATYYCFQG	SGYPFTFGGG	TKVEIKRTVA	APSVFIFPPS			
13 <u>0</u>	14 <u>0</u>	15 <u>0</u>	16 <u>0</u>	17 <u>0</u>	18 <u>0</u>			
DEQLKSGTAS	VVCLLNNFYP	REAKVQWKVD	NALQSGNSQE	SVTEQDSKDS	TYSLSSTLTL			
19 <u>0</u>	20 <u>0</u>	21 <u>0</u>						
SKADYEKHKV	YACEVTHQGL	SSPVTKSFNR	GEC					

- 20-minute LC-HRIM-MS1 gradient, *95.3%* coverage
 - 2-minute LC-HRIM-MS1 gradient, *95.0%* coverage
- Guard Column Trap and Elute HRIM-MS1, 90.6% coverage

Increase Throughput for Targeted CQAs

Isomerization of aspartic acid is a spontaneous, non-enzymatic PTM that can cause changes to protein structure, and therefore function



Asp and isoAsp have the same mass and similar physiochemical properties, making them difficult to separate and identify by LC-MS. What about HRIM?

Pathway Image from: Boston University, Fourier Transform Mass Spectrometry Lab (https://www.bumc.bu.edu/ftms/research/isoaspartome/)



HRIM enables separation of deamidated species



- 20-minute LC-HRIM-MS1 Method
- HRIM Peptide Byos
 workflow

Minutes



NIST mAb HC 363-374 NQVSLTCLVK N1 Asn → Asp 0.984 Da mass difference

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HRIM rapidly characterizes downstream CQAs

NIST mAb HC 364-373 NQVSLTCLVK









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HRIM enables rapid, high-resolution separation of isomers

- Reduce dependency on LC
- 2-minute FIA-HRIM-MS method
- Baseline resolution of Asp/isoAsp





Separation of 14 Residue Asp/isoAsp Peptide Standards

Ion Mobility Distributions

HRIM Increases Throughput for Targeted CQA Monitoring

Decreasing Chromatographic Run Time



HRIM Separation Retained at 5-minute Run Time



Arrival times remain consistent as LC-acquisition time is decreased from 20- to 5- minutes

HRIM Reveals Peptide Isomers Not Identified With LC



Faster, More Efficient, and Deeper Characterization with HRIM-MS

RESOLUTION Peptide isomers not detected in LC-MS are revealed with HRIM Integration with Protein Metrics HRIM data processing modules leads to a streamlined process THROUGHPUT EASE-OF-USE

Implementation of HRIM decreases analysis time and can perform rapid targeted analysis



Thank You

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