Mass spectroscopy for proteins

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What does mass spectroscopy check?

- Mass spectroscopy studies the proteomics.
- What are the Applications of the proteomics?
- 1. Protein identification Specifically complex protein mixtures.
- 2. Study PTM post translational modification of the protein such as phosphorylation, acetylation a methylation etc.
- 3. protein molecular weight determination.
- 4. Structural studies by H/D exchange.

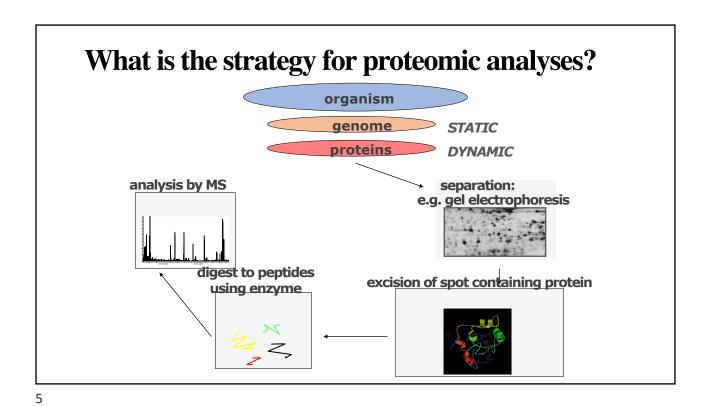
What does proteomics study?

- introduction to proteomics
- protein separation techniques
- proteolytic digestion
- peptide mass fingerprinting
- LC-MS/MS

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What is proteomics?

- The Identification AND Quantification of the full protein complement expressed by the genome of an organism at a particular point in time.
- It studies:
- 1. It finds which protein is present in the sample.
- 2. How much proteins are present in the sample.
- 3. Which gene the protein is belong to?



separation techniques
multidimensional HPLC for separating Large numbers of proteins

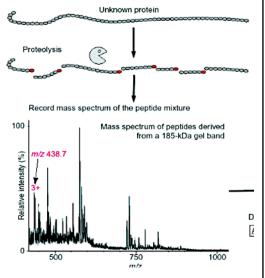
cell lysate
digest with protease
load peptides onto SCX column
elute with increasing Salt concentration

reversed-phase LC-MS

What is proteolytic digestion?

• It is a method to digest the protein by enzymes or chemical to make small fragments.

	cleavage sites	exceptions
Trypsin	C-term of K or R	if P is C-term of K or R
Chymotrypsin	C-term of F, Y, W, (M), (L)	if P is C-term of F, Y, W
CNBr	C-term of M	
Lys-C	C-term of K	
Arg-C	C-term of R	if P is C-term of R
Asp-N	N-term of D	
Glu-C (bicarbonate)	C-term of E	if P or E is C-term of E
Glu-C (phosphate)	C-term of D or E	
Pepsin (pH 1.3)	C-term of F, L	
Pepsin (pH >2)	C-term of F, L, W, Y, A, E, Q	
Proteinase K	C-term of F, L, W, Y, A, V, I	



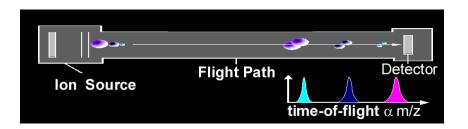
Mass spectrometric identification of an unknown protein can be obtained from determining the sequence of proteolytic fragments and comparing the sequence with available databases

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What are the proteolytic digestion steps? Deliver to mass spec Digest by enzymes Cut the band from the gel Statistical comparison With database

How does mass work?

Mass determination by Time-of-Flight

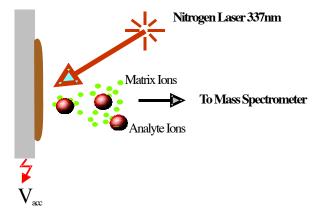


- 1. ions generated in source
- 2. accelerated using high voltage
- 3. drift to detector
- 4. time-of-flight inversely proportional to m/z

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What is used to ionize the molecules?

Laser Desorption/ionisation



Charge transfer occurs between Matrix Ions and Analyte molecules

 $M + H^+ \longrightarrow [M+H]^+$

