

NMR of oligosaccharides and protein oligosaccharide complex

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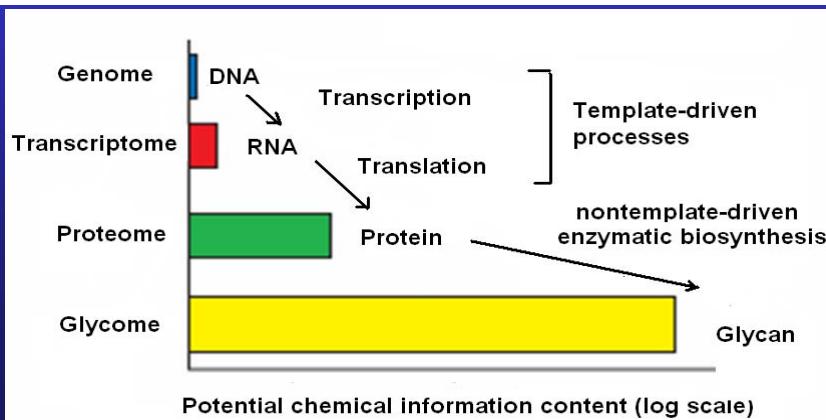
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Glycomics Hits the Big Time

Cells run on carbohydrates. Glycans, sequences of carbohydrates conjugated to proteins and lipids, are arguably the most abundant and structurally diverse class of molecules in nature. Recent advances in glycomics reveal the scope and scale of their functional roles and their impact on human disease

Cell, 2010



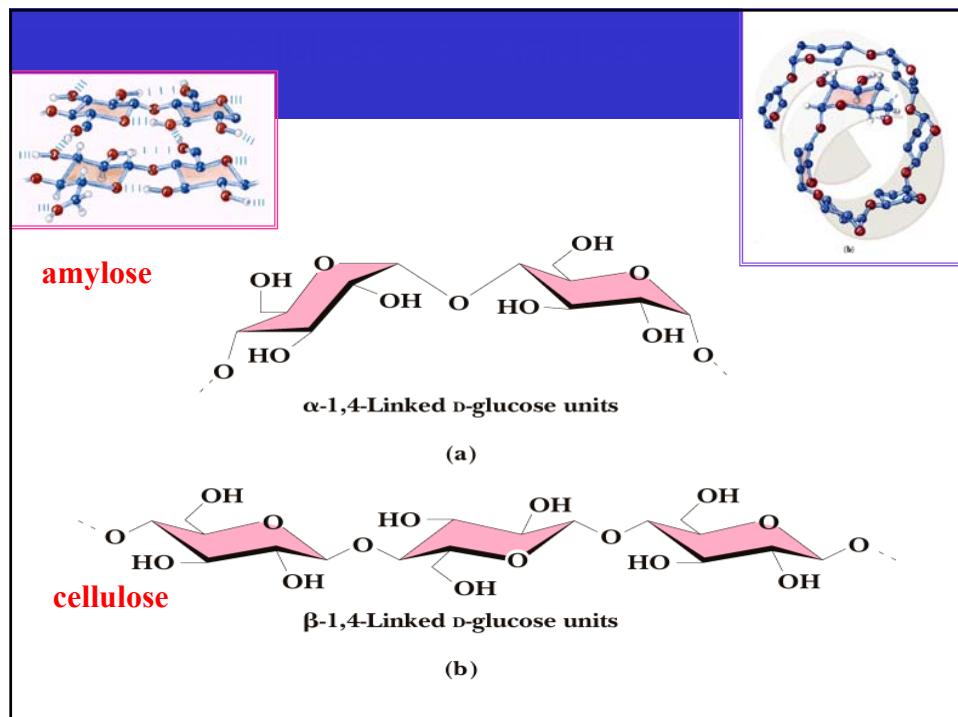
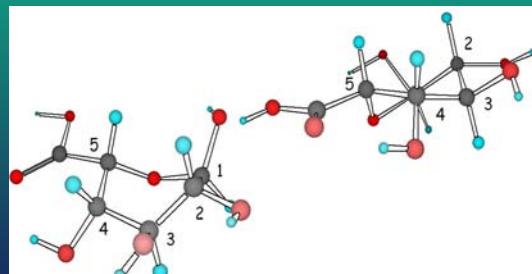
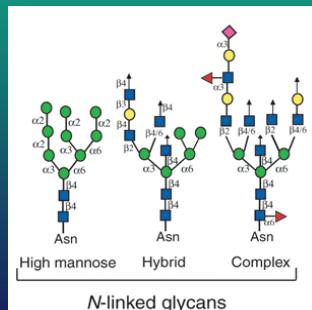
Carbohydrate complexity

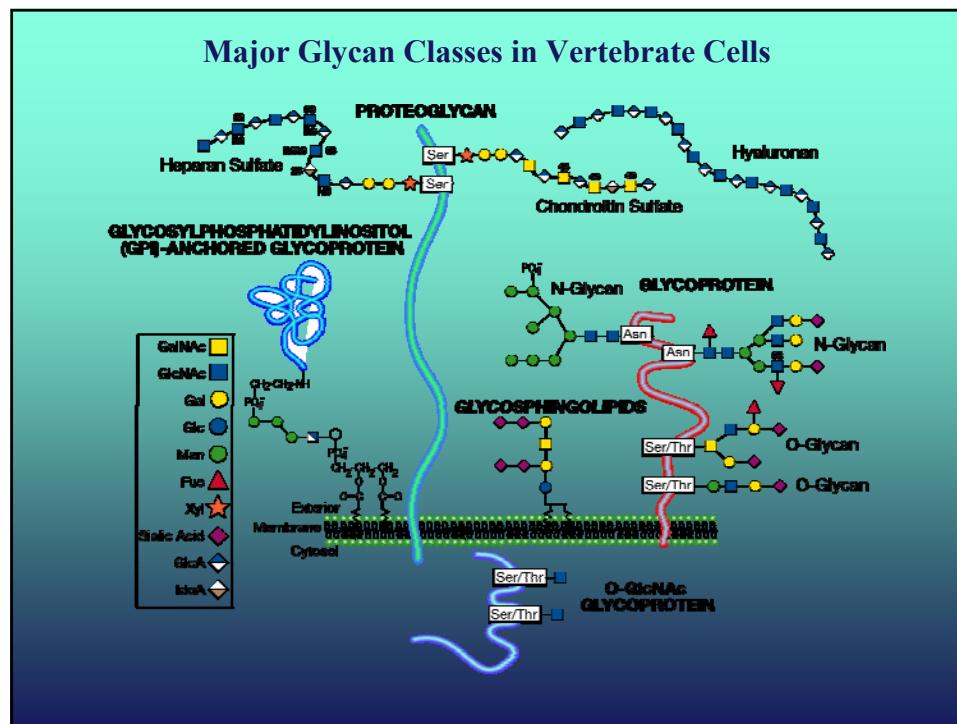
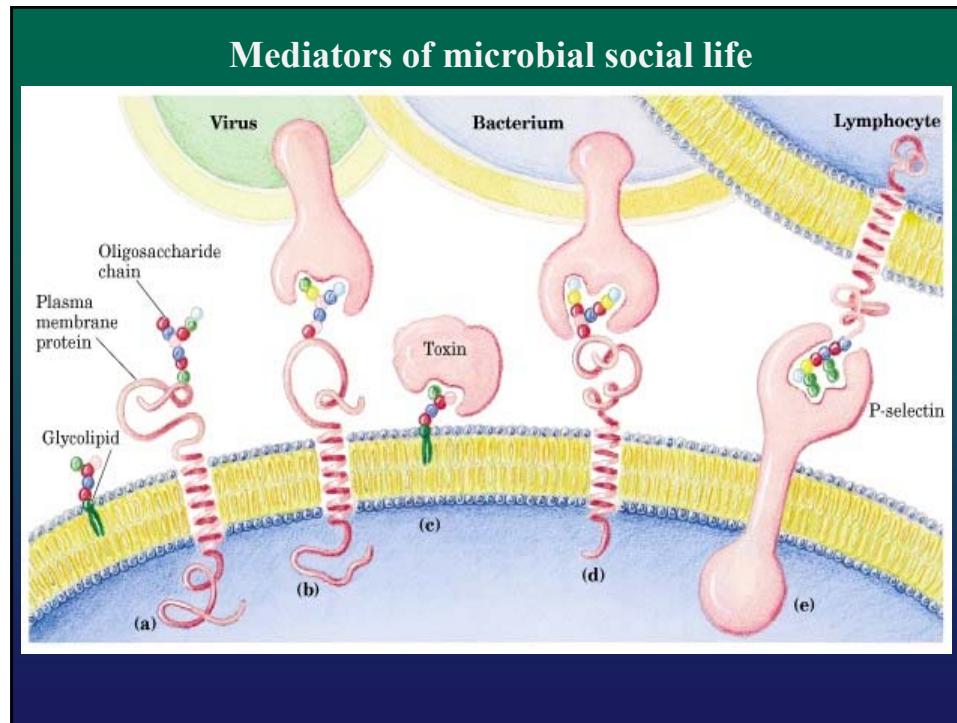
4 L-aminoacids → 256 tetra-peptides

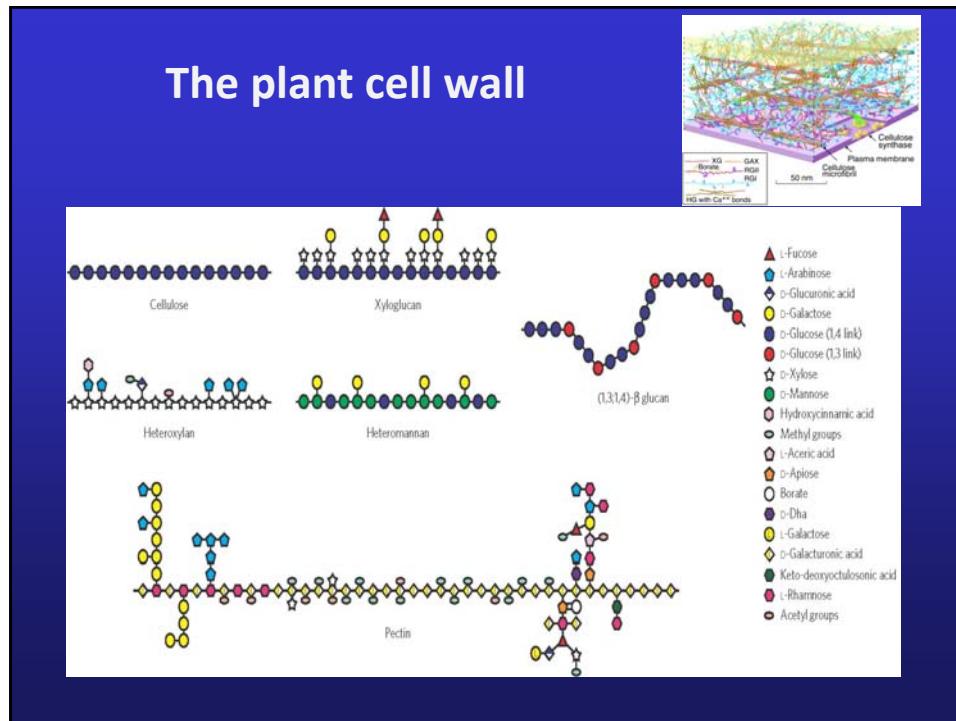
4 D-aldohexoses → 7.602.176 tetrasaccharides

Not always linear polymers
but frequently branched

Not to speak about conformation !







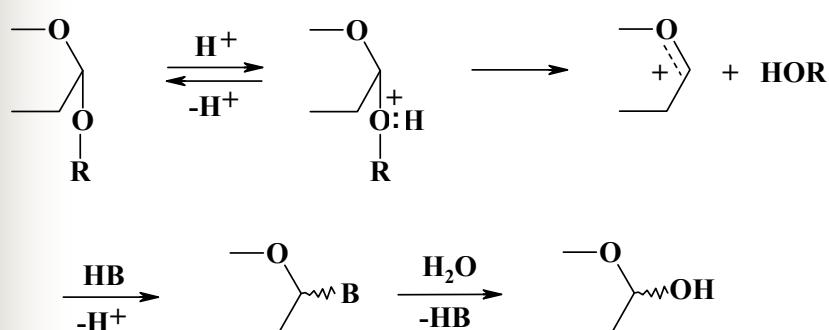
Structure determination of a glycan chain: the steps

De Castro et al., Meth. Enzymol., 2010; glycopedia.eu

- ❖ Quali-quantitative analysis (GC-MS, NMR)
- ❖ Absolute configuration (GC-MS, NMR)
 - ❖ Size of the ring (GC-MS, NMR)
 - ❖ Anomeric configuration (NMR)
 - ❖ Linkage analysis (GC-MS, NMR)
- ❖ Monosaccharides sequence (MALDI-MS, 2D NMR)
- ❖ Determination of non-carbohydrate appendages (GC-MS, MALDI-MS, 2D NMR)

❖ Quali-quantitative analysis (GC-MS)

The major approach to the determination of chemical composition is full solvolytic depolymerization of polysaccharides followed by identification of monomers



Advantages of acid hydrolysis:

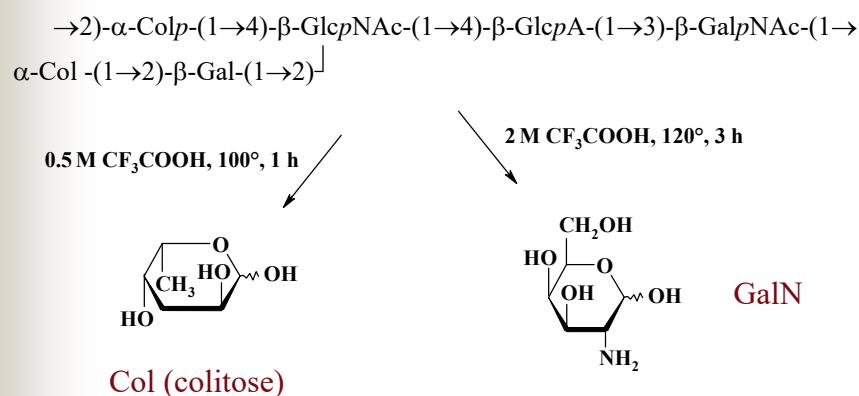
- hydrolysis is simple to handle
- it is easy to vary conditions of hydrolysis

Disadvantages of acid hydrolysis:

- some monosaccharides are too unstable
- some glycosidic linkages are too stable
- many non-sugar substituents are eliminated

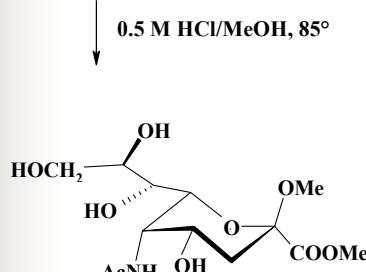
Different conditions for the hydrolysis may be used for analysis of different monosaccharides

O-polysaccharide of *Pseudoalteromonas tetraodonis*

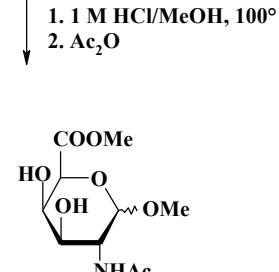


Acid-labile monosaccharides may be stabilized using methanolysis, giving methyl derivatives

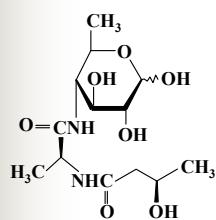
O-polysaccharide of
Salmonella arizona



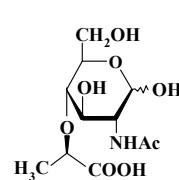
O-polysaccharide of
Shigella dysenteriae



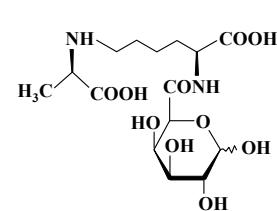
Solvolytic with anhydrous hydrogen fluoride or trifluoromethanesulfonic acid enable isolation of complex monosaccharide amide derivatives



serogroup O4



serogroup O15

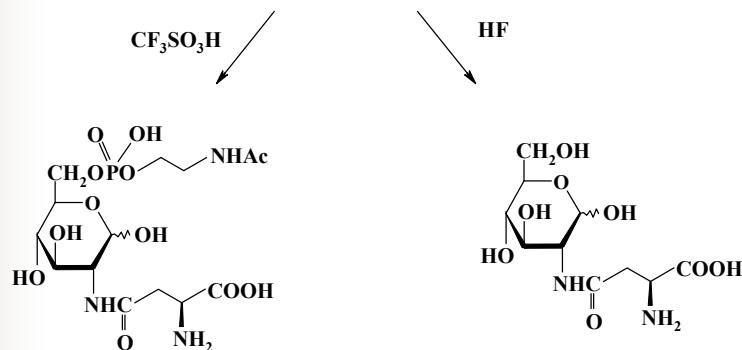


serogroup O13

Isolated components of *Proteus* O-polysaccharides

Solvolyisis with trifluoromethanesulfonic acid, but not with hydrogen fluoride, enables isolation of phosphorylated monosaccharide derivatives

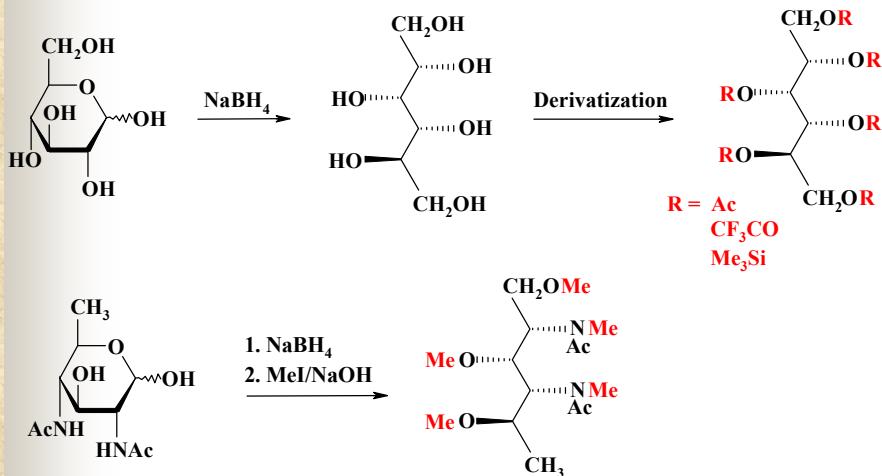
O-polysaccharide of *Proteus mirabilis* O38



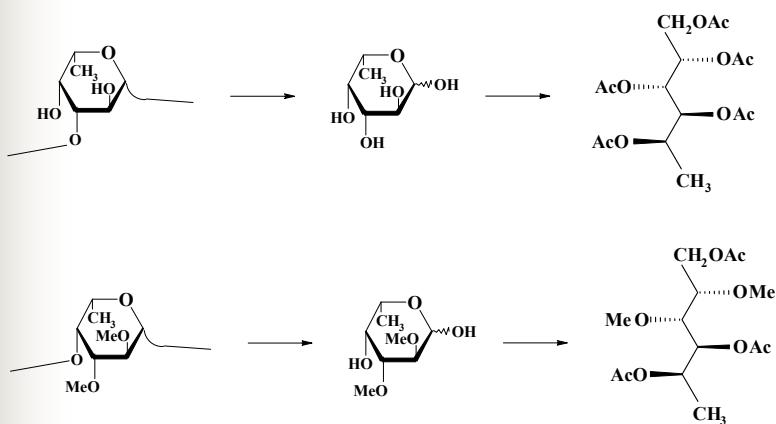
Identification of monosaccharides

- ◆ **Chromatography**, including liquid chromatography and gas-liquid chromatography.
- ◆ **Determination of optical rotation and circular dichroism** for enantiomeric differentiation.
- ◆ **Mass spectrometry**, including combined gas-liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry.
- ◆ **NMR spectroscopy**.

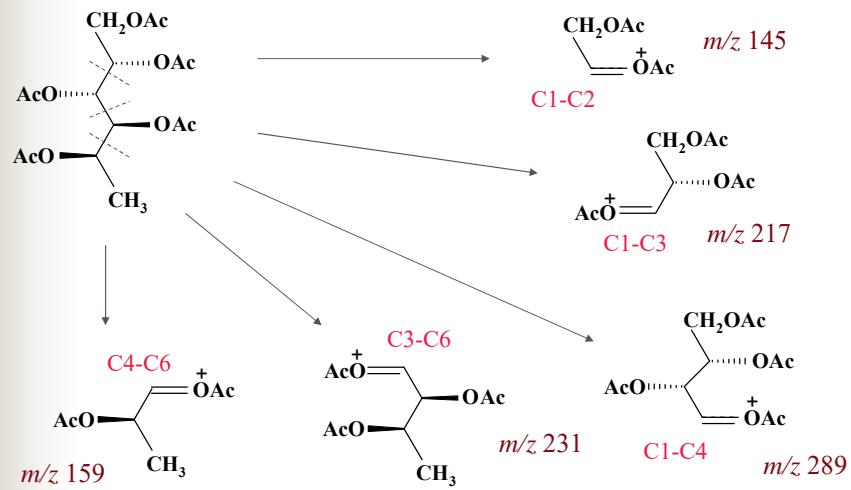
Gas-liquid chromatography requires derivatization of monosaccharides, usually to alditol derivatives



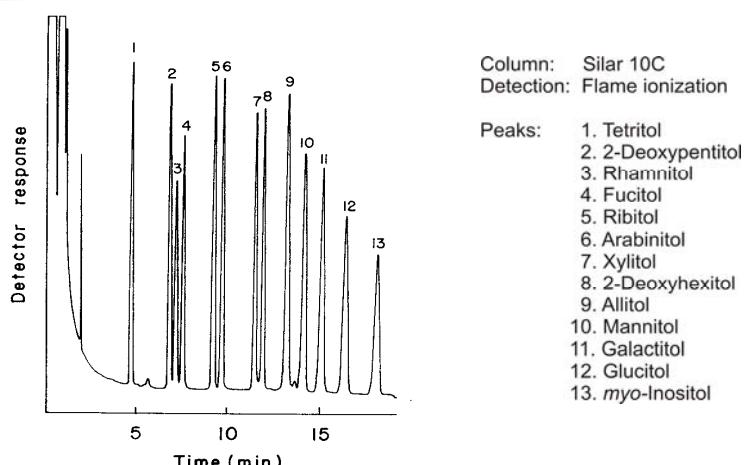
EI MS is commonly used for identification of alditol derivatives in sugar and methylation analyses



EI MS fragmentation of the fully acetylated 6-deoxy alditol in sugar analysis



GLC separation of sugar alditol acetates

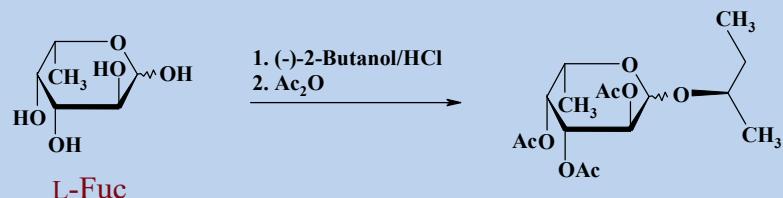
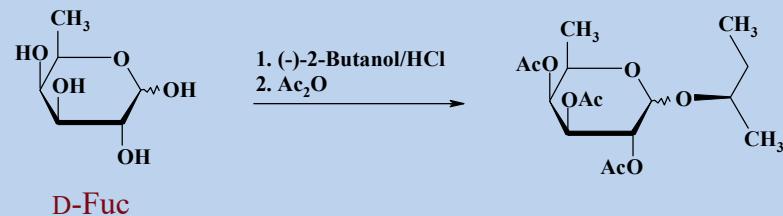


Glycosides obtained by methanolysis are useful for identification of sialic and uronic acids



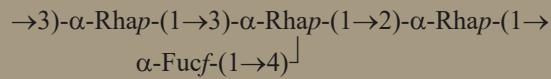
❖ Absolute configuration determination
(GC-MS)

Glycosides with chiral alcohols are used for enantiomeric differentiation of sugars

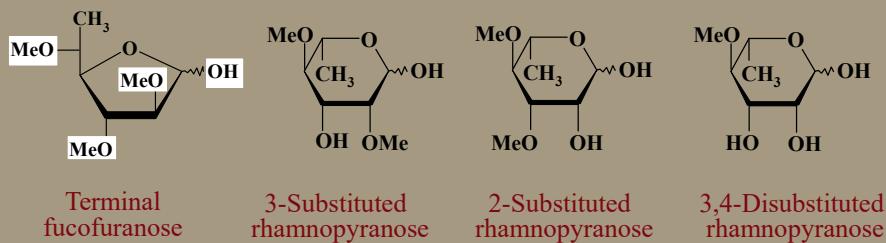


- ❖ Linkage analysis, size of ring
(methylation analysis)
(GC-MS)

Methylation is the most widely used chemical approach to linkage analysis

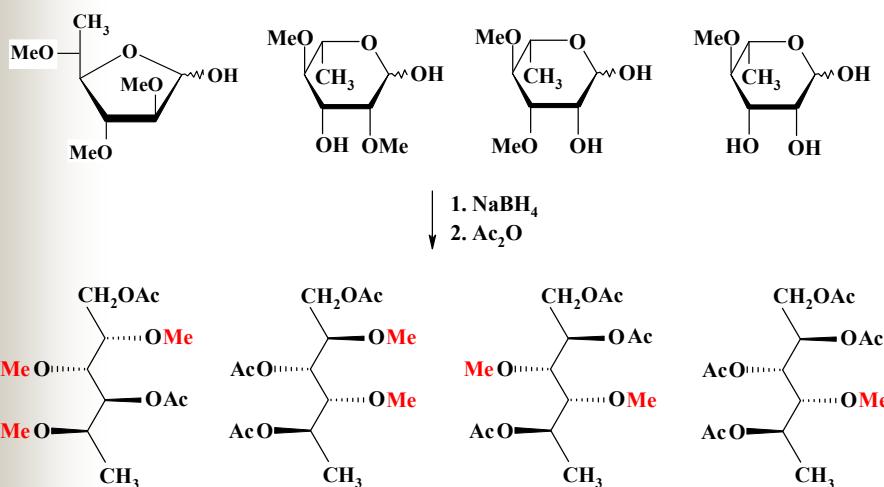


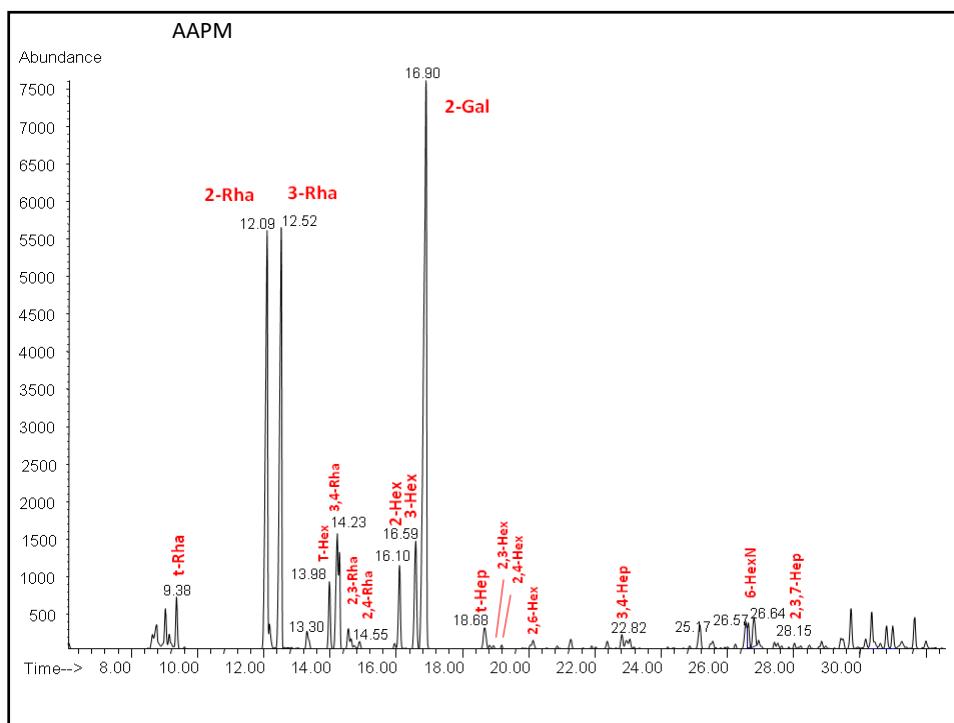
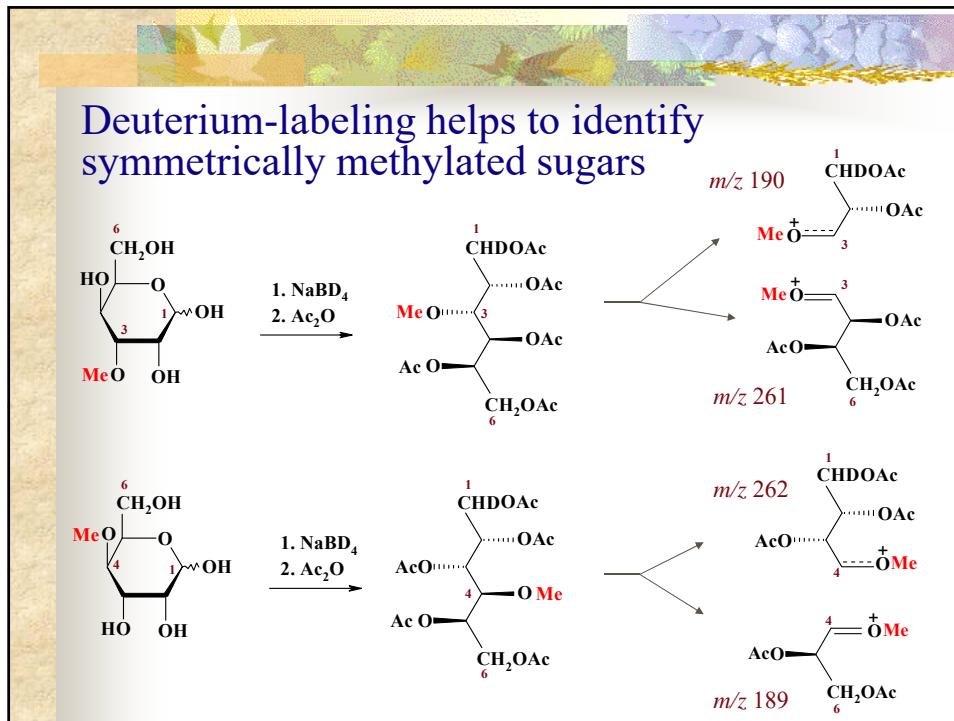
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 1. MeI/NaOH
 2. CF_3COOH

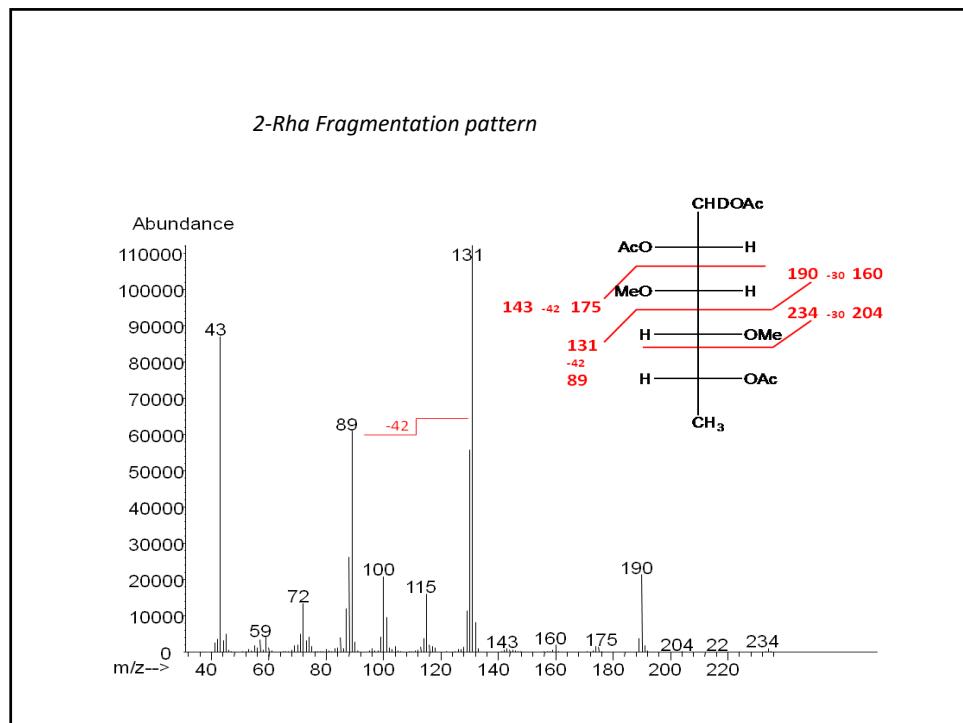


Terminal fucofuranose 3-Substituted rhamnopyranose 2-Substituted rhamnopyranose 3,4-Disubstituted rhamnopyranose

Partially methylated monosaccharides are identified by GLC/MS of the acetylated alditols







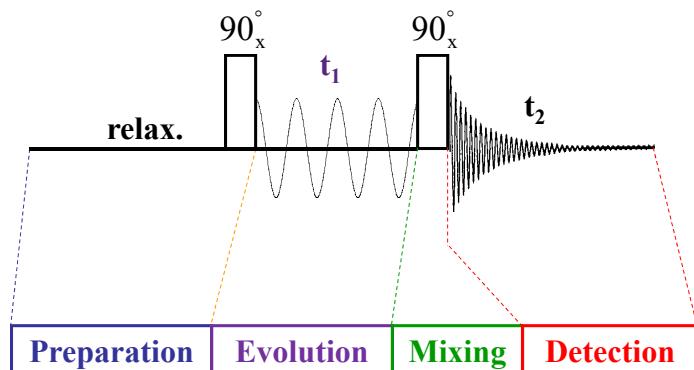
**Nuclear Magnetic Resonance:
key sequences to structure/sequence determination of
carbohydrate containing molecules**

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance - NMR

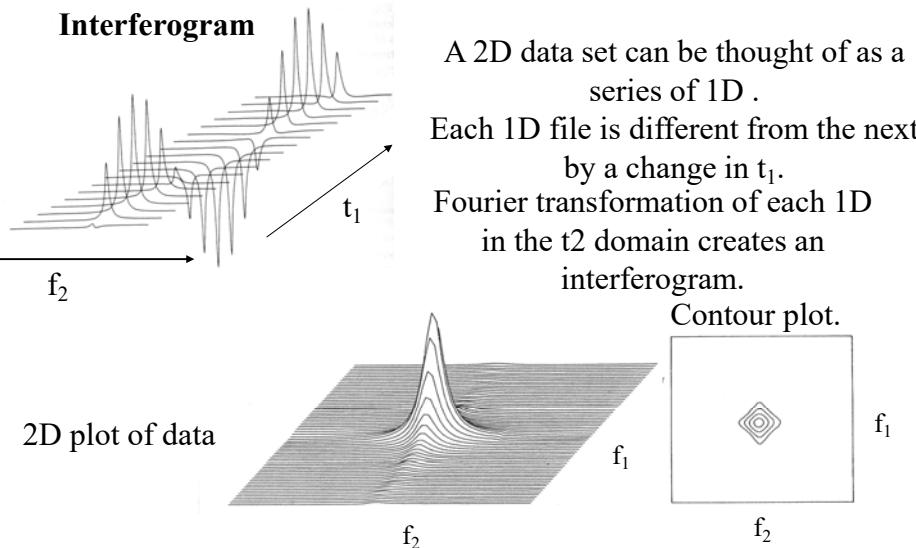
- Measures the absorption of electromagnetic radiation in the radio-frequency region (~4-900 MHz)
 - sample needs to be placed in magnetic field to cause different energy states

NMR is routinely and widely used as the preferred technique to rapidly elucidate the chemical structure of most organic compounds.

Anatomy of a 2D NMR Experiment



2D NMR - The Interferogram



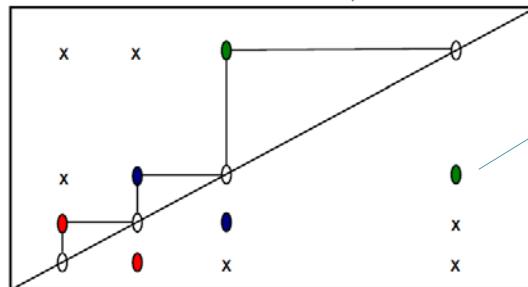
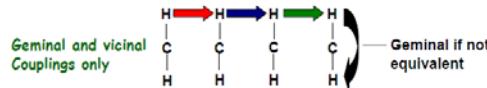
Two Dimensional NMR

- ✓ A 2D data set can be thought of as a series of 1D experiments collected with different timing.
- ✓ Fourier transformation of each 1D in the t_2 domain creates an interferogram.
- ✓ The t_1 domain is then Fourier transformed resulting in a 2D file with the frequency in each dimension.
- ✓ This 2D file will provide a map of all spin-to-spin correlations
- ✓ Each 2D experiment can provide either through bond (COSY type) or through space (NOESY type) correlation

CORrelation SpectroscopY (COSY)

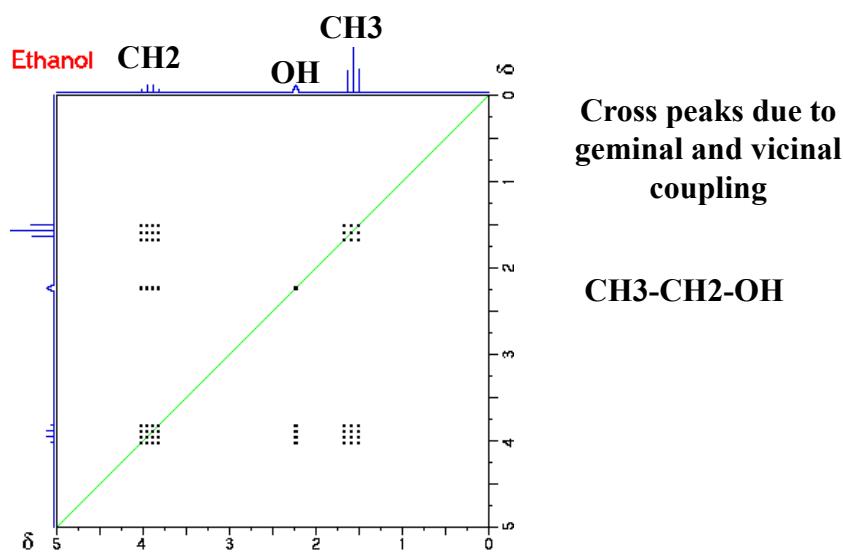
In a 2D COSY spectrum, **cross-peaks** will exist where there is spin-spin coupling between nuclei.

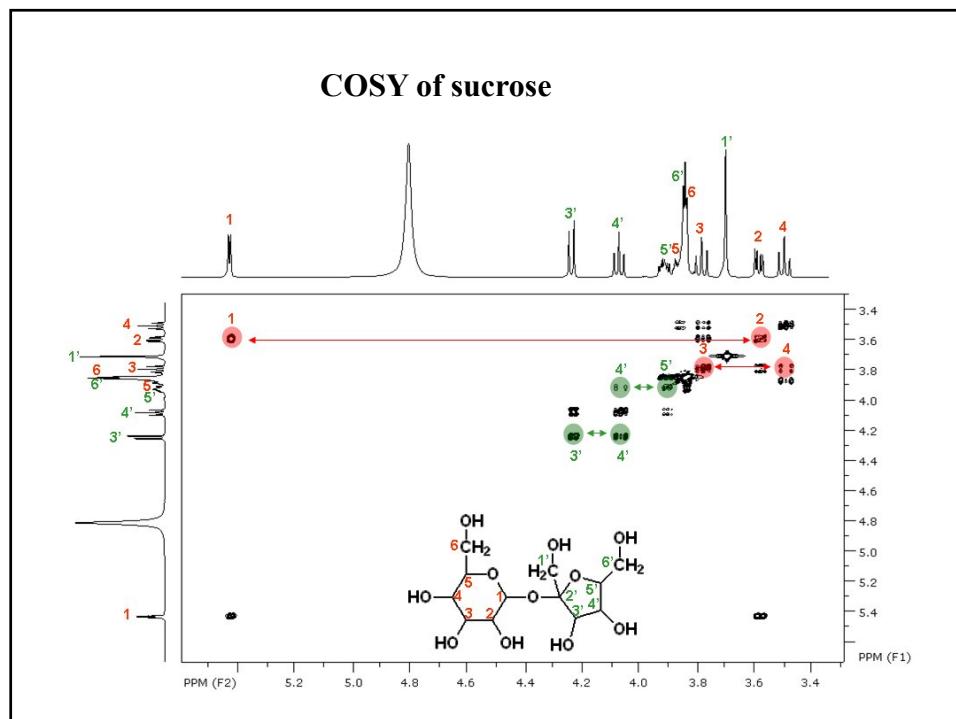
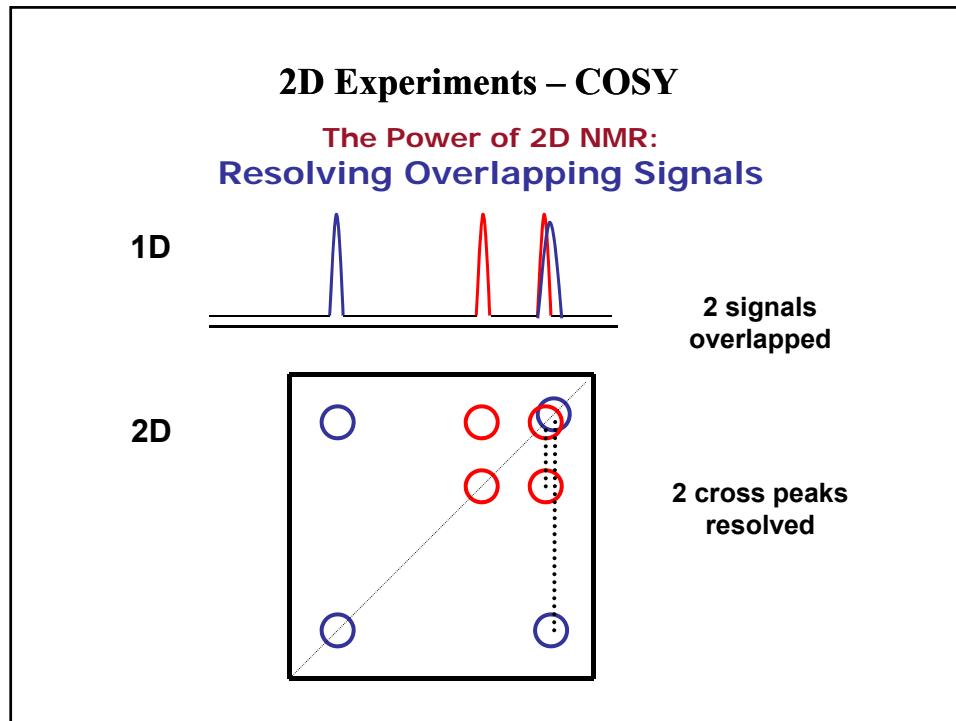
^1H - ^1H COSY and DQFCOSY Experiments



Used to identify spins which are coupled to each other.

2D Experiments – COSY

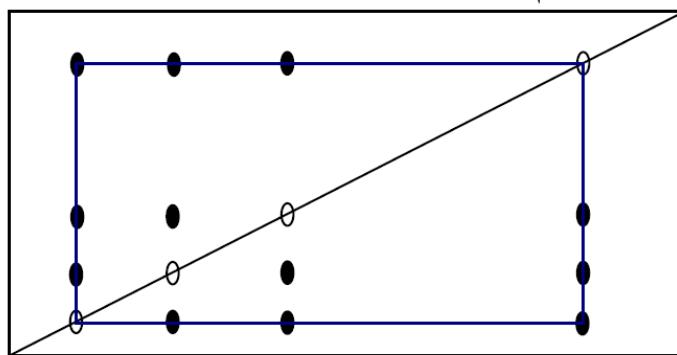
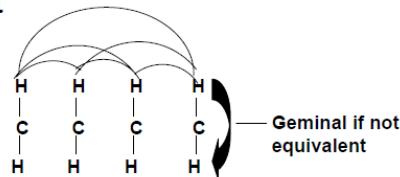




TOtal Correlation SpectroscopY (TOCSY) experiment

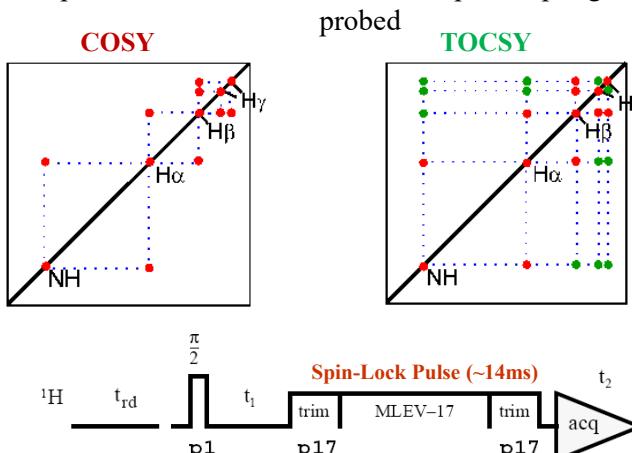
TOCSY Experiment

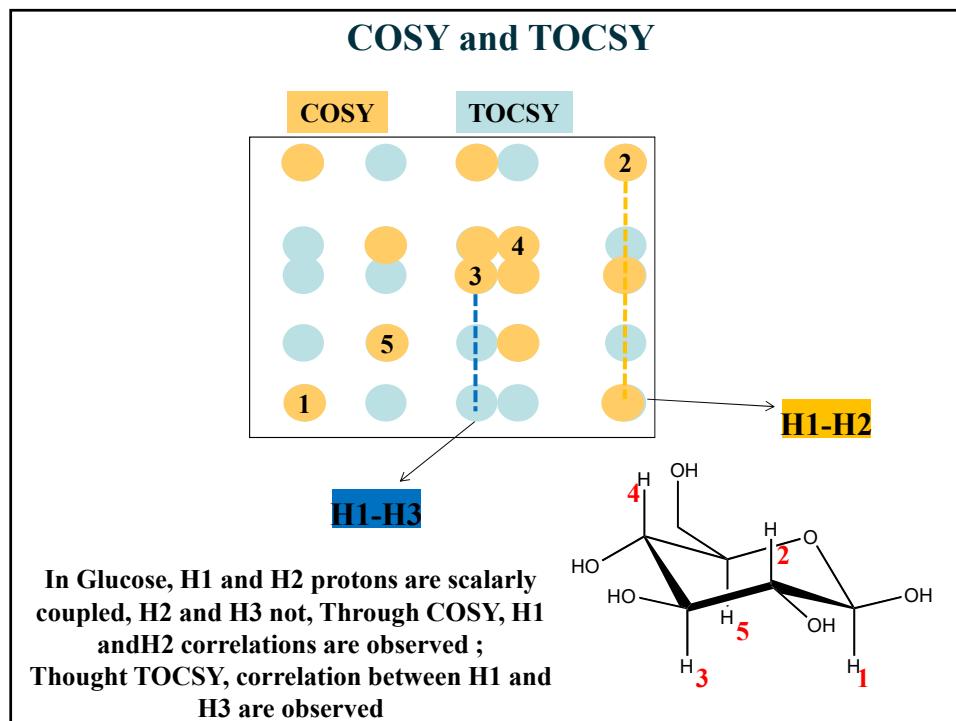
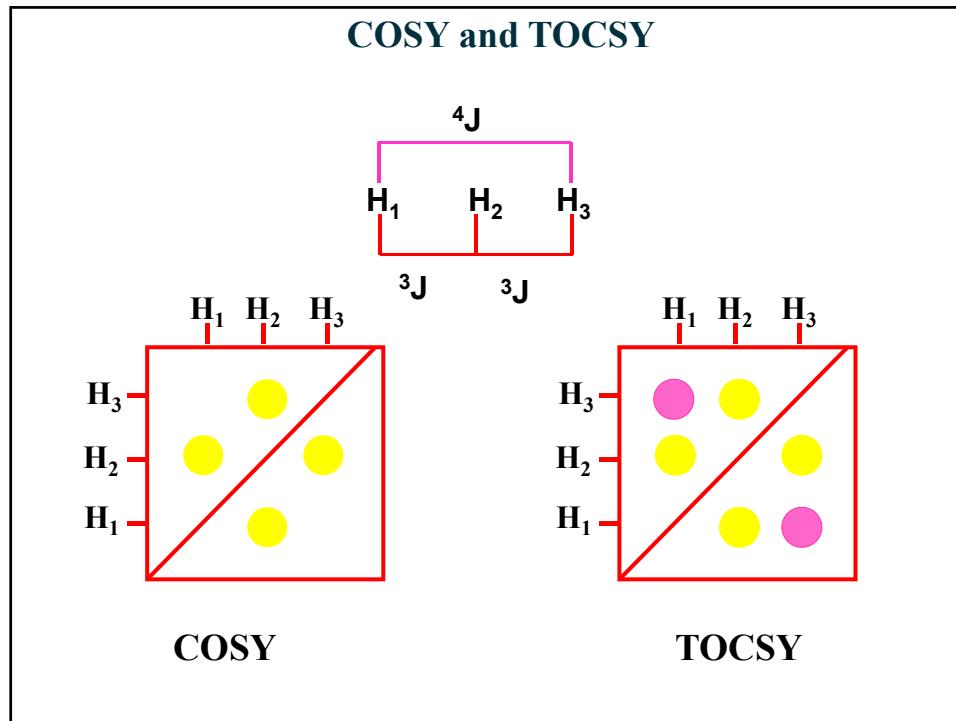
In general, the TOCSY mixing time determines the number of bonds over which signal can be transferred, assuming that none of the coupling Constants = 0



TOCSY

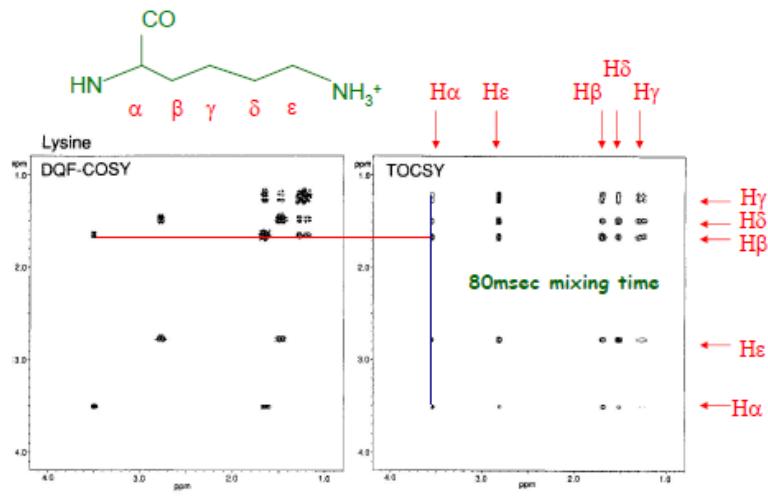
- cross peaks are generated between all members of a coupled spin network
 - NMR resonances for the complete side-chain spin systems is obtained
 - coherence transfer period occurs during a multi-pulse spin-lock period;
 - length of spin-lock determines how far the spin coupling network will be probed



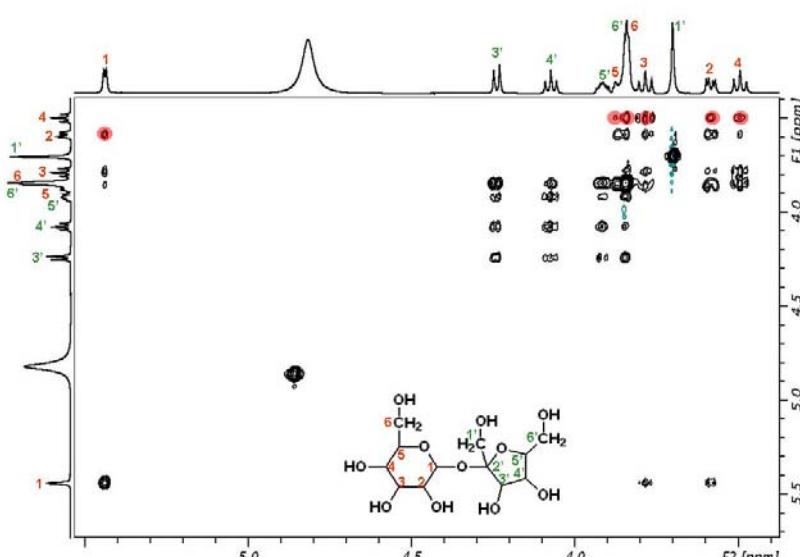


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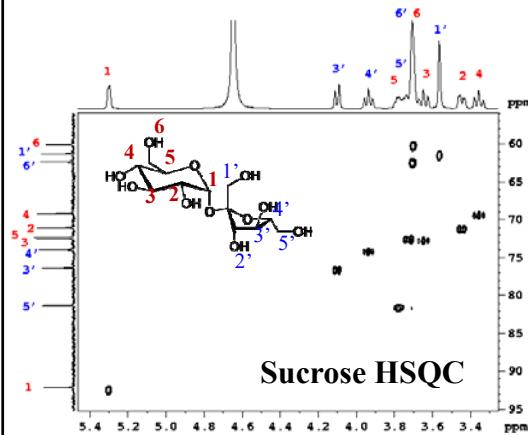
Example of lysine spin system



TOCSY of sucrose



HSQC: Heteronuclear Single-Quantum Correlation



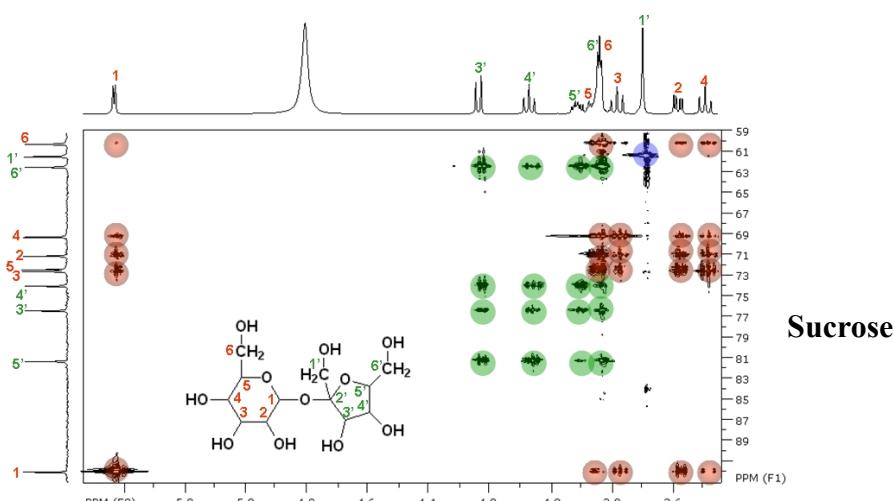
HSQC experiment:
one axis for ^1H and the other for a heteronucleus

The spectrum contains a peak for each unique proton attached to the heteronucleus being considered.

The **2D HSQC experiment** permits to obtain a 2D heteronuclear chemical shift correlation map between directly-bonded ^1H and X-heteronuclei (an atomic nucleus other than a proton), often ^{13}C or ^{15}N .

HSQC-TOCSY

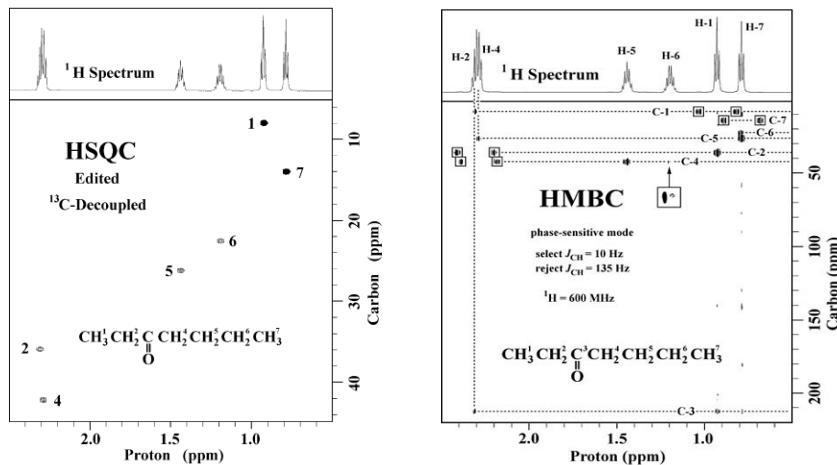
The HSQC-TOCSY is a 2D TOCSY that has been resolved into the carbon dimension.
Especially useful in case of huge overlap in the proton spectrum



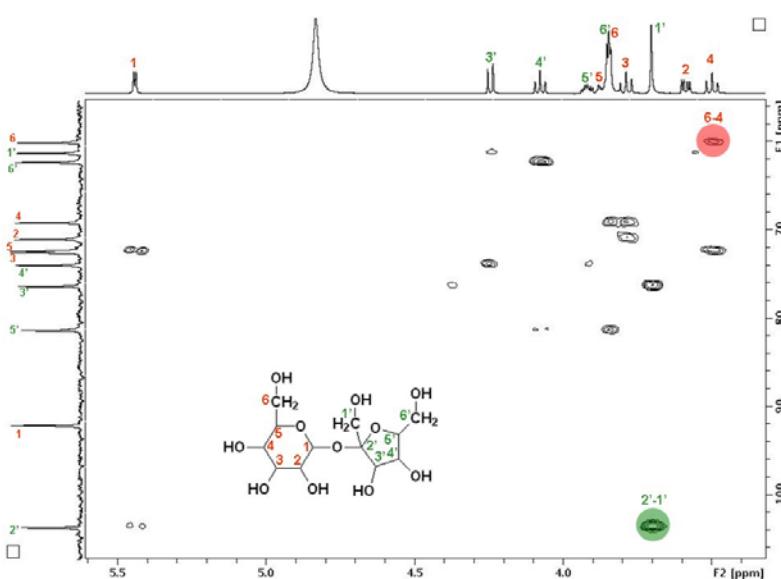
Sucrose

HMBC (Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation)

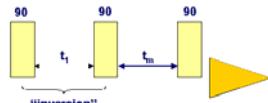
2D HMBC (Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation) experiment correlates chemical shifts of two types of nuclei separated from each other with two or more chemical bonds.



HMBC of Sucrose

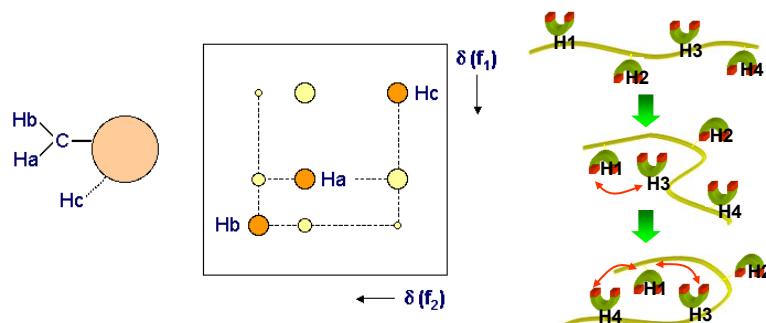


Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE) Spectroscopy



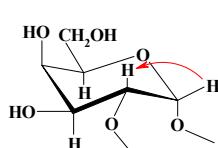
The 2D spectrum will have chemical shifts in δf_1 and δf_2 .

The cross peaks are for nuclei that are dipolar coupled.

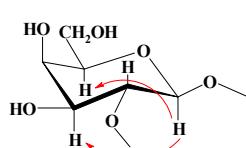


Intra-residue NOE contacts in monosaccharides: relative configuration of sugar residues

gluco, galacto configuration

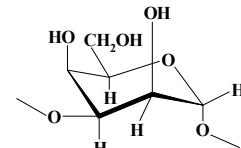


α -linkage: H1/H2

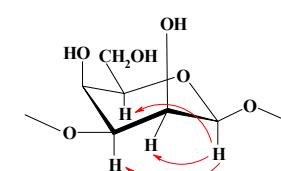


β -linkage: H1/H3, H1/H5

manno configuration

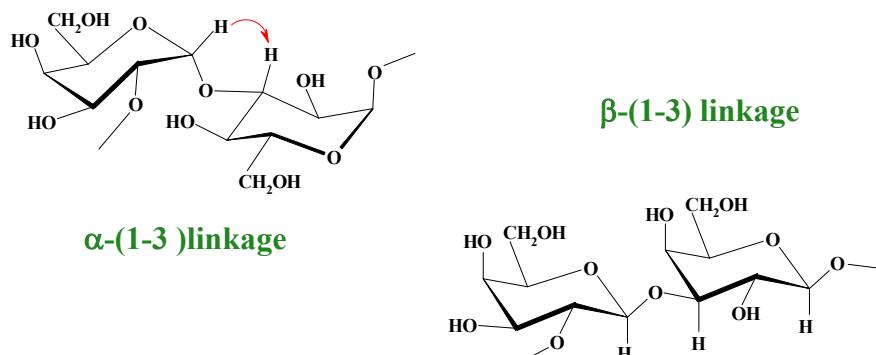


α -linkage: no contact

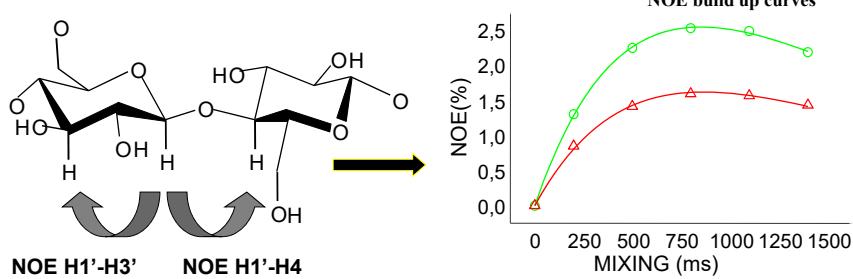


β -linkage: H1/H2, H1/H3, H1/H5

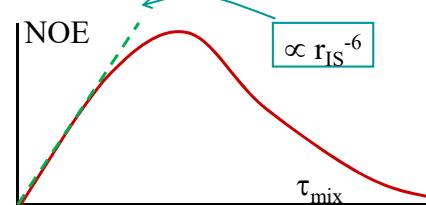
Inter-residue NOE contacts in saccharides



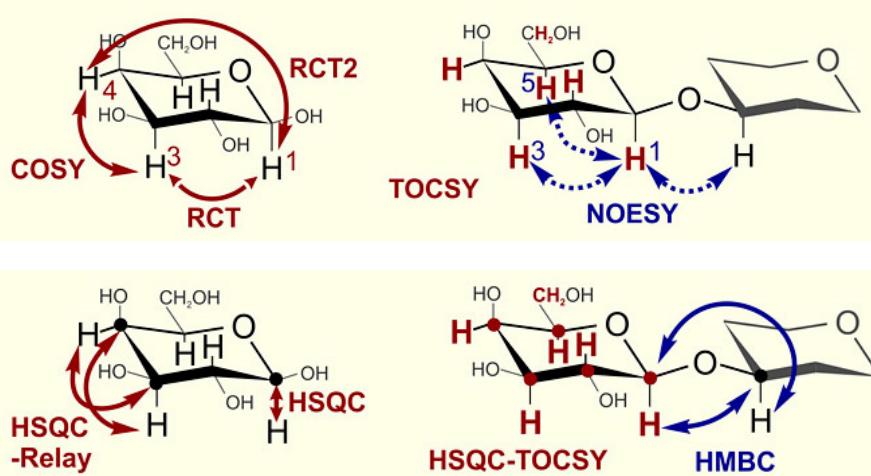
NOE and Distances Isolated spin pair approximation (ISPA)



$$\begin{aligned}\eta_{ab} &\propto r_{ab}^{-6} \\ r_{ac} &= r_{ab} * (\eta_{ab} / \eta_{ac})^{-1/6} \\ \eta_{ac} &\propto r_{ac}^{-6}\end{aligned}$$

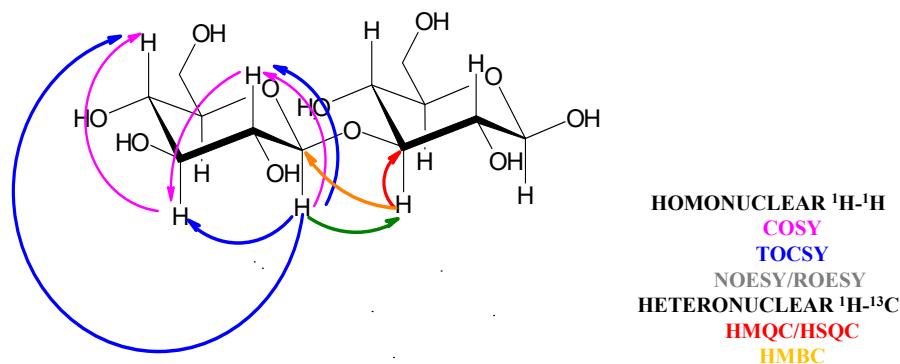


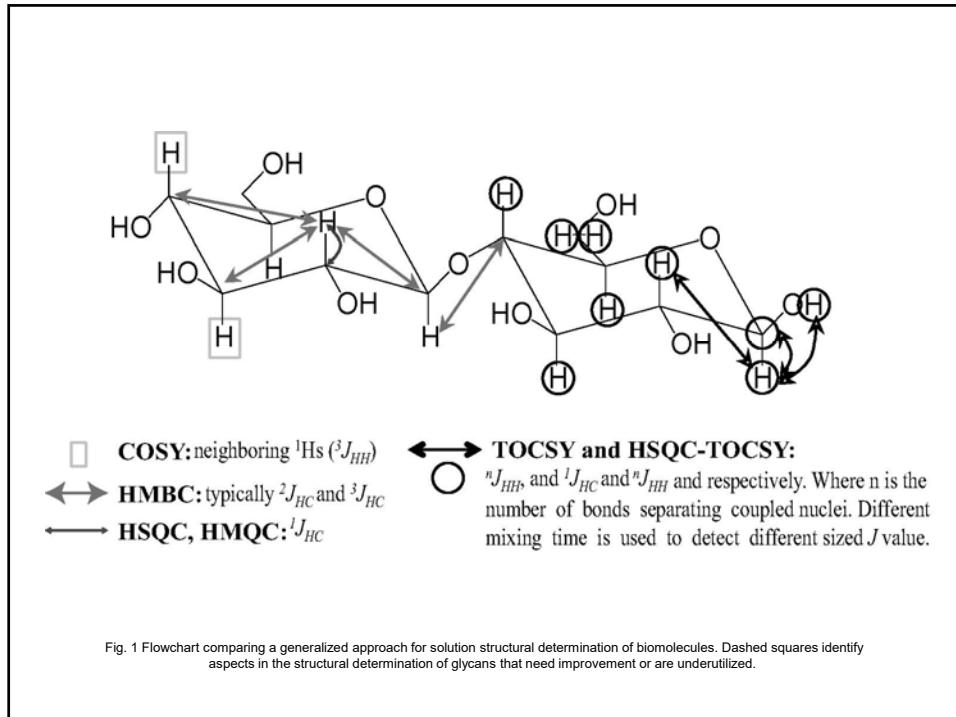
Application of various NMR techniques to carbohydrates



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- HOMONUCLEAR (¹H-¹H)
- HETERONUCLEAR (¹H-¹³C)





^1H and ^{13}C typical regions of carbohydrates:

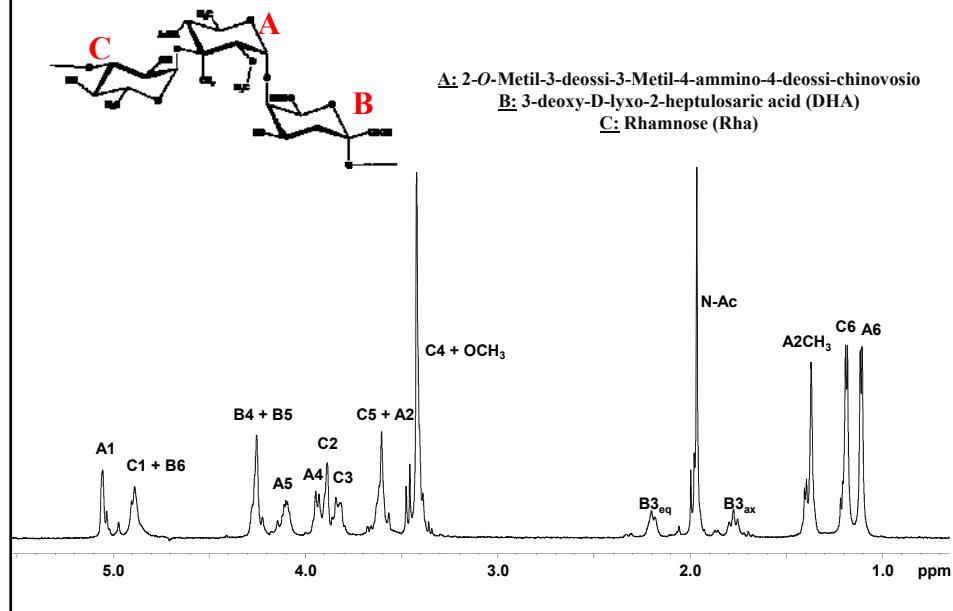
The ^1H NMR Spectra can be roughly divided into the following regions:

Anomeric and Acylated Protons : 5.5-4.5 ppm
 Ring Protons : 4.5-3 ppm
 Acetyl Groups, Methylene Protons: 3-2 ppm
 Methyl Groups: 0.8-2.0 ppm

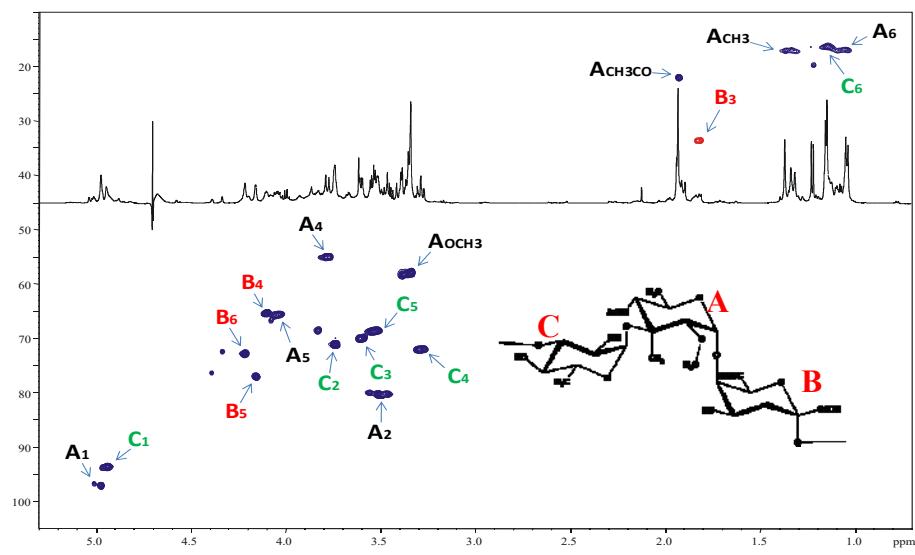
The ^{13}C NMR Spectra can be roughly divided into the following regions :

Anomeric Carbons Resonate Between 90-105 ppm
 Ring Carbons Between 52-78 ppm
 Nitrogen Bearing Carbons (In Amino Sugar) 50-60 ppm
 Acetyl Groups XXX ppm
 Methylene Protons: XXX ppm
 Methyl Groups: XXX ppm

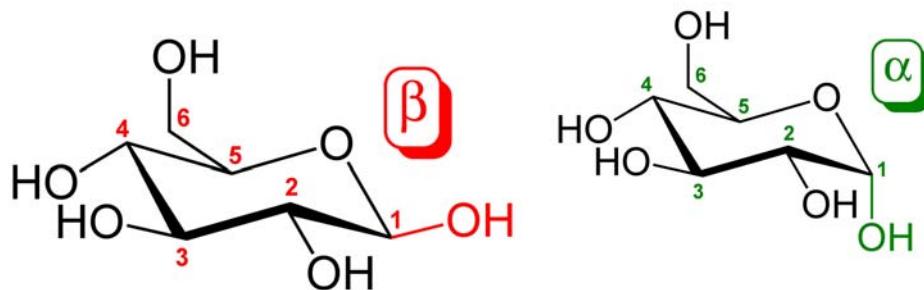
O-chain isolated from *Rhodopseudomonas palustris* sp. BIS A53



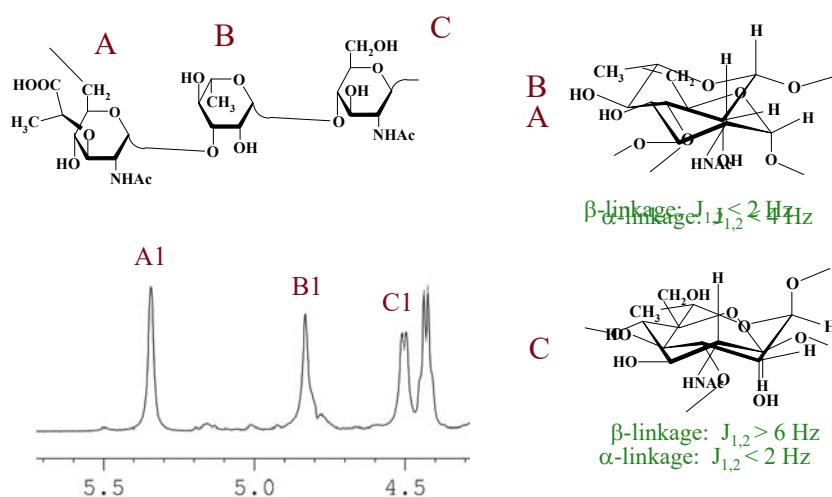
HSQC spectrum of the *O*-chain isolated from
Rhodopseudomonas palustris sp. BIS A53



❖ Anomeric configuration (NMR)



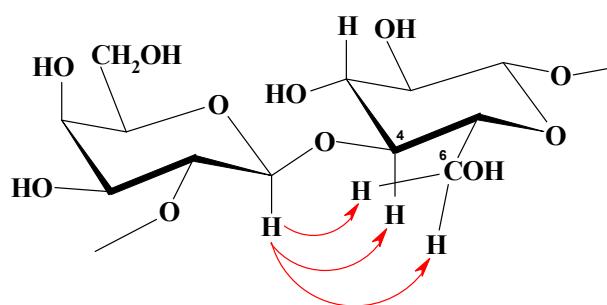
^1H NMR spectrum contains information on the configuration of glycosidic linkages



Monosaccharide Sequence

- ❖ NOE contact
- ❖ Glycosylation shift (HSQC spectrum)
- ❖ Inter-residual long range correlation (HMBC spectrum)

NOE in disaccharides may occur not only at the linkage protons but also at the neighbouring protons

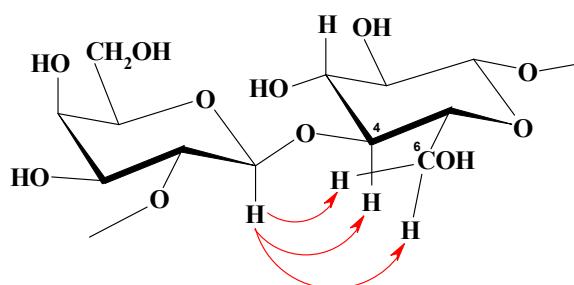


....Saccharide conformation...

Characteristic chemical shifts in ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of polysaccharides

Component	Group	δ_{H}	δ_{C}
3-Deoxy sugar	CH_2	1.9-2.6	30-42
6-Deoxy sugar	CH_3	1.1-1.4	15-21
Uronic acid	COOH		173-178
Amino sugar	CHN		44-59
O-acetyl	CH_3	2.1-2.3	21-22
	CO		174-176
N-acetyl	CH_3	1.8-2.1	23-24
	CO		174-176
N-formyl	HCO	8.0-8.1	164.5-165.5
1-carboxyethyl	CH_3	1.4-1.6	18-20
	COOH		175-179
ethanolamine	CH_2N	3.25-3.30	40-42
	CH_2O	4.0-4.2	62-64

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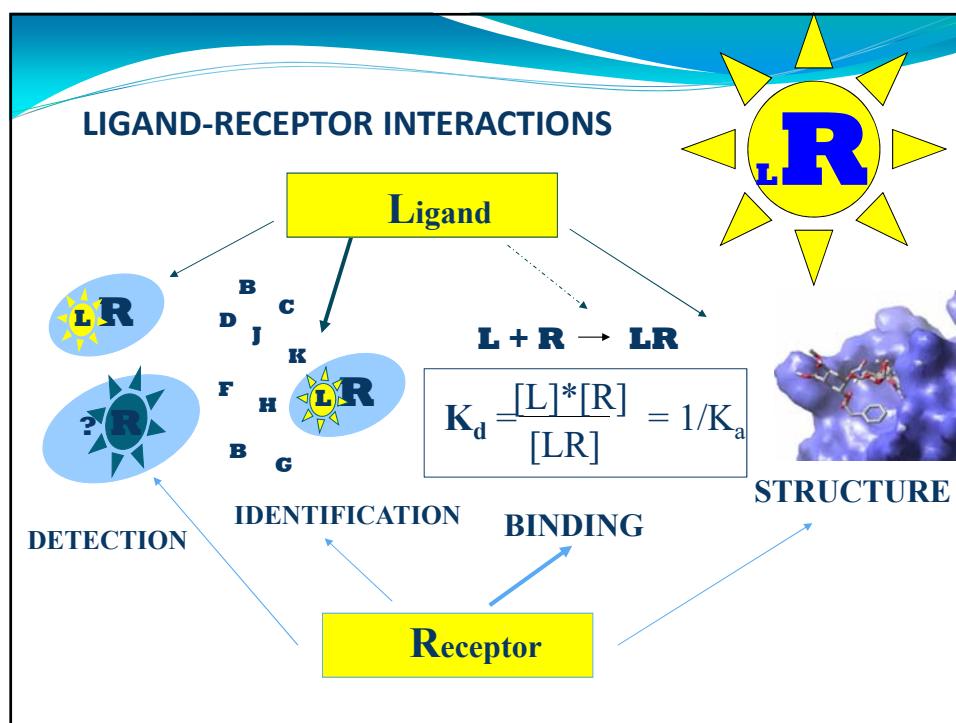
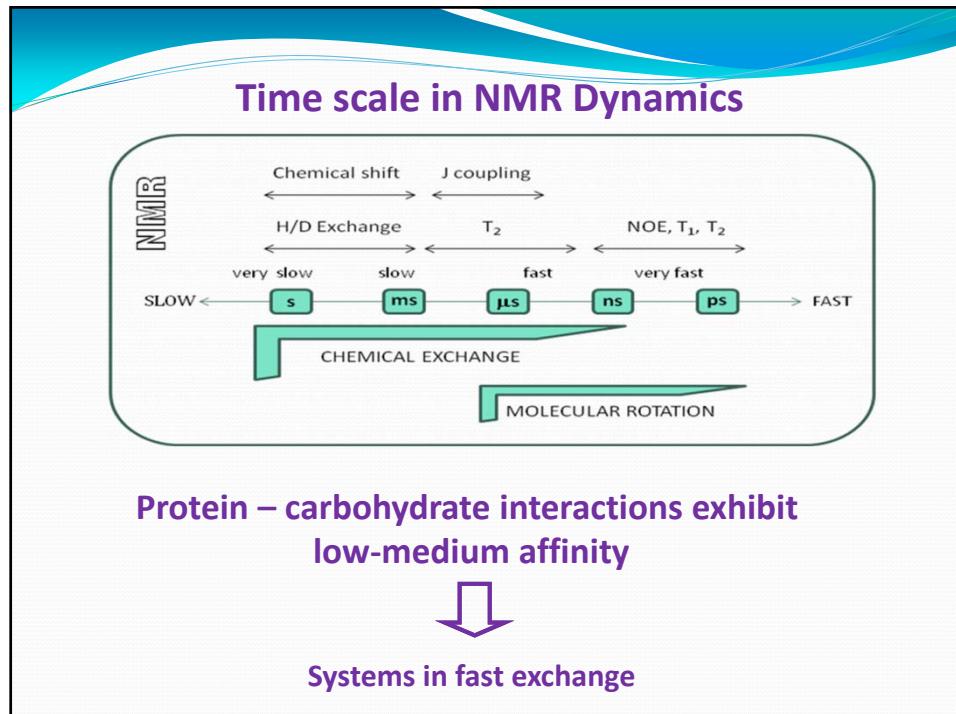
NMR as a tool for studying protein-ligand interactions"

Which NMR methods are useful to look at the interaction between a small thing and a large entity?

Rules of Engagement" of Protein–Glycoconjugate Interactions: A Molecular View Achievable by using NMR Spectroscopy and Molecular Modeling

Roberta Marchetti, Serge Perez, Ana Arda, Anne Imbert, Jesus Jimenez-Barbero, Alba Silipo, Antonio Molinaro





MOLECULAR INTERACTIONS BY NMR

Ligand- based NMR techniques

- Transferred NOE (trNOE)
- Saturation Transfer Difference (STD NMR)

- Small amount of protein
- Study of the interaction in solution
- Non destructive technique
- ^{15}N , ^{13}C labeling not required

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Ligand observation

$$\text{L} + \text{R} \xrightleftharpoons[k_{\text{off}}]{k_{\text{on}}} \text{LR}$$

Two states equilibrium
 L_{free} L_{bound} Molar fractions

FAST EXCHANGE

$$K_d = \frac{k_{\text{off}}}{k_{\text{on}}} \quad \text{diffusion controlled}$$

$$k_{\text{off}} = >10^2 \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$$

$$k_{\text{on}} = >10^7 \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{M}^{-1}\text{)}$$

$$R_{\text{Lobs}} = L_f * R_{\text{Lf}} + L_b * R_{\text{Lb}}$$

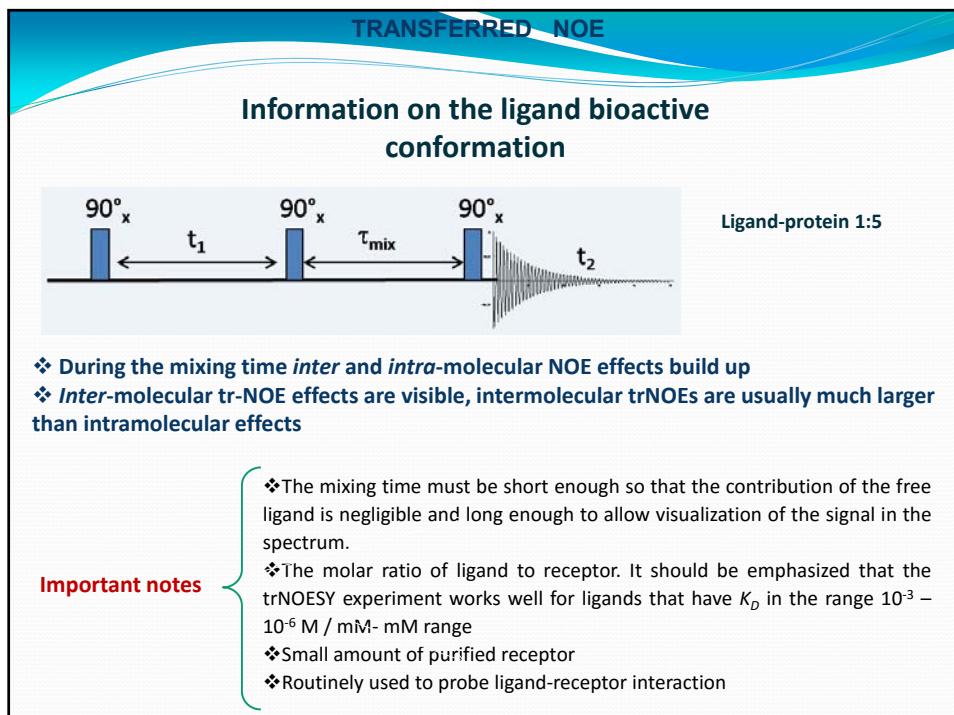
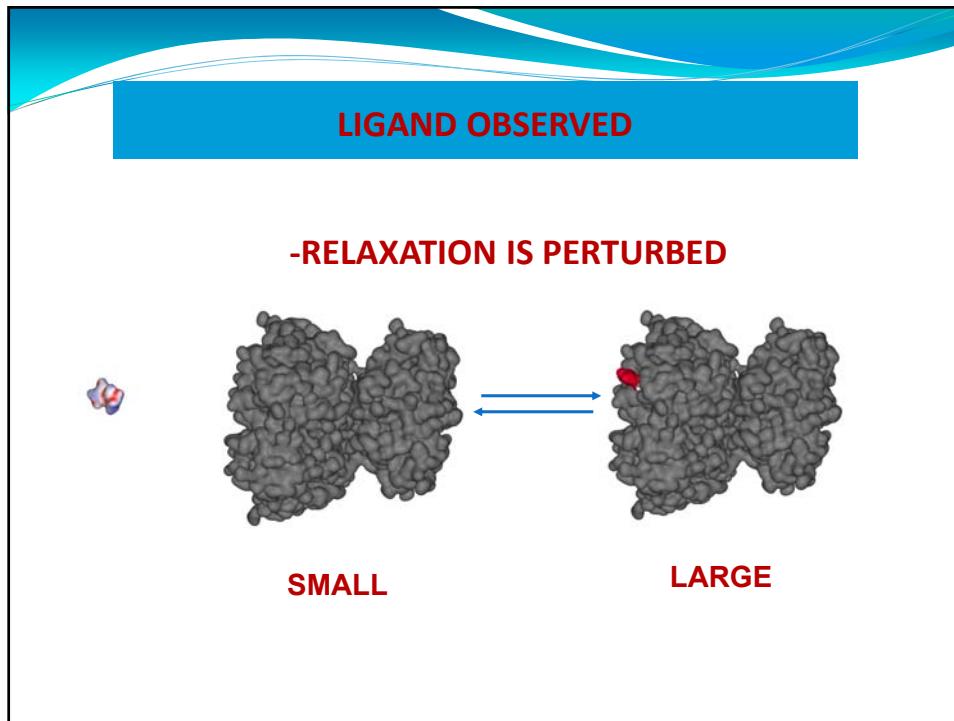
$$\Delta R = L_b * (R_{\text{Lb}} - R_{\text{Lf}})$$

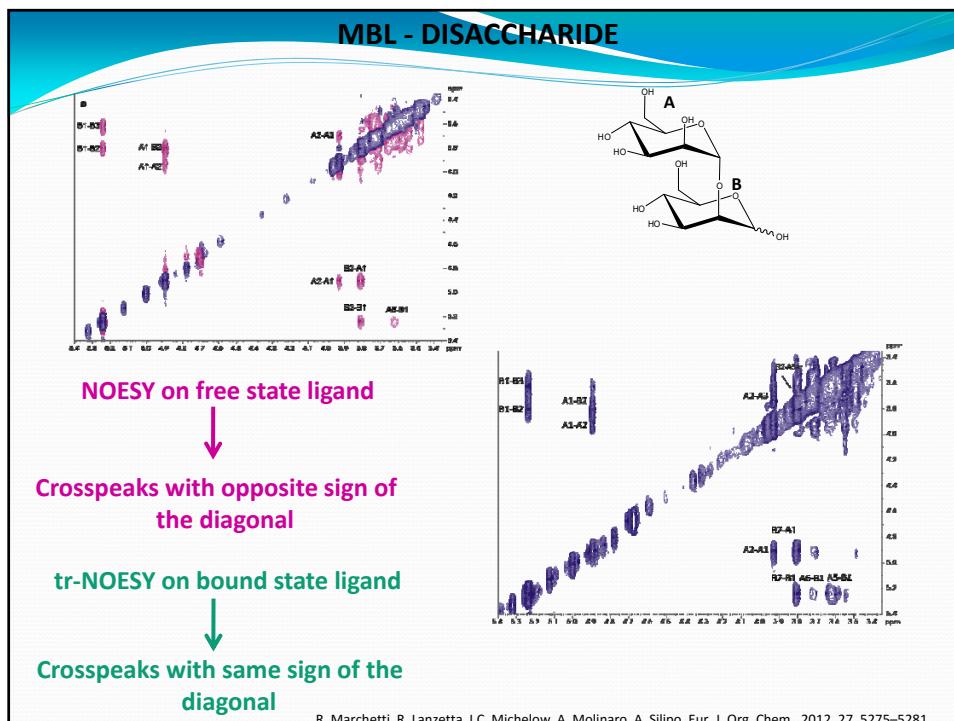
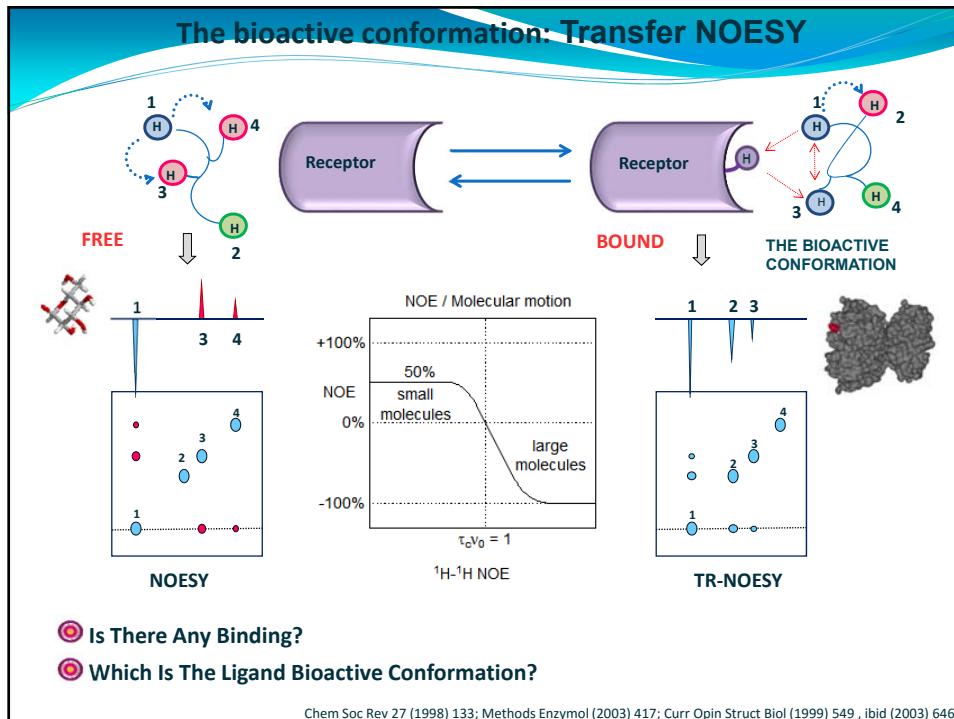
Experimental procedure: $\text{L}_0 \gg \text{R}_0$;
 $\text{L}_0/\text{R}_0 > 10 - 100 \dots$ $\text{L}_f \gg \text{L}_b$

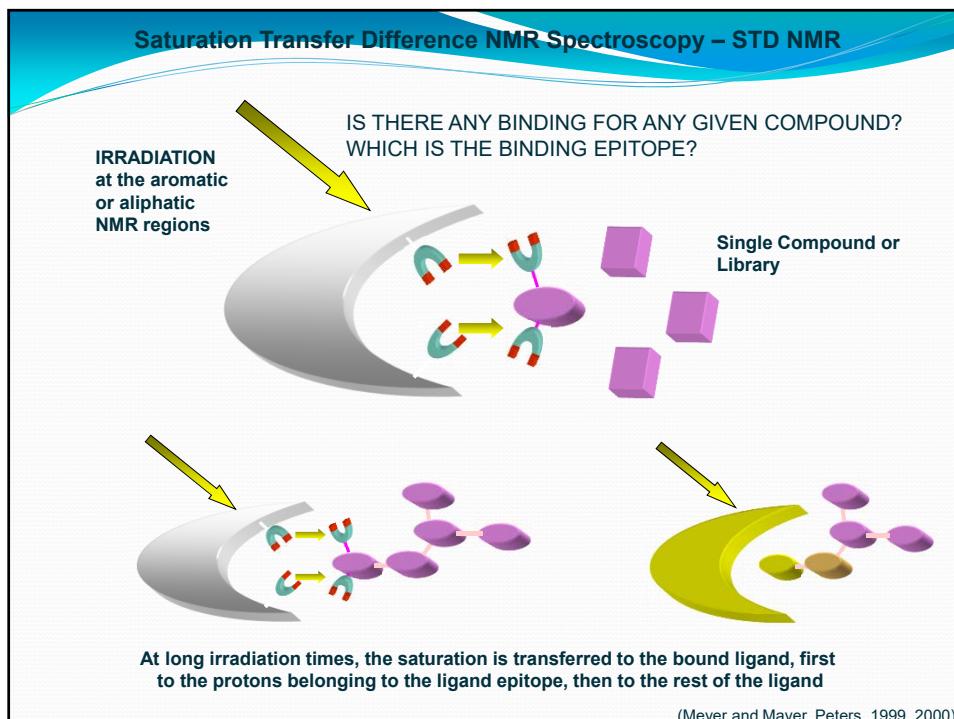
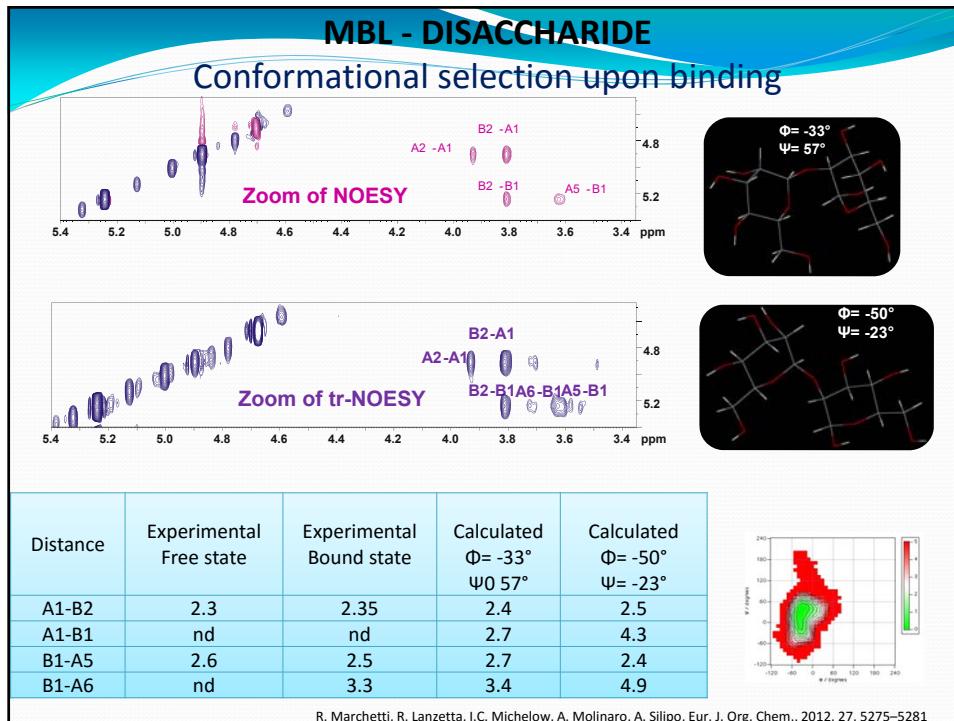
Necessary condition: $|(\text{R}_{\text{Lb}} - \text{R}_{\text{Lf}})| \gg 0$

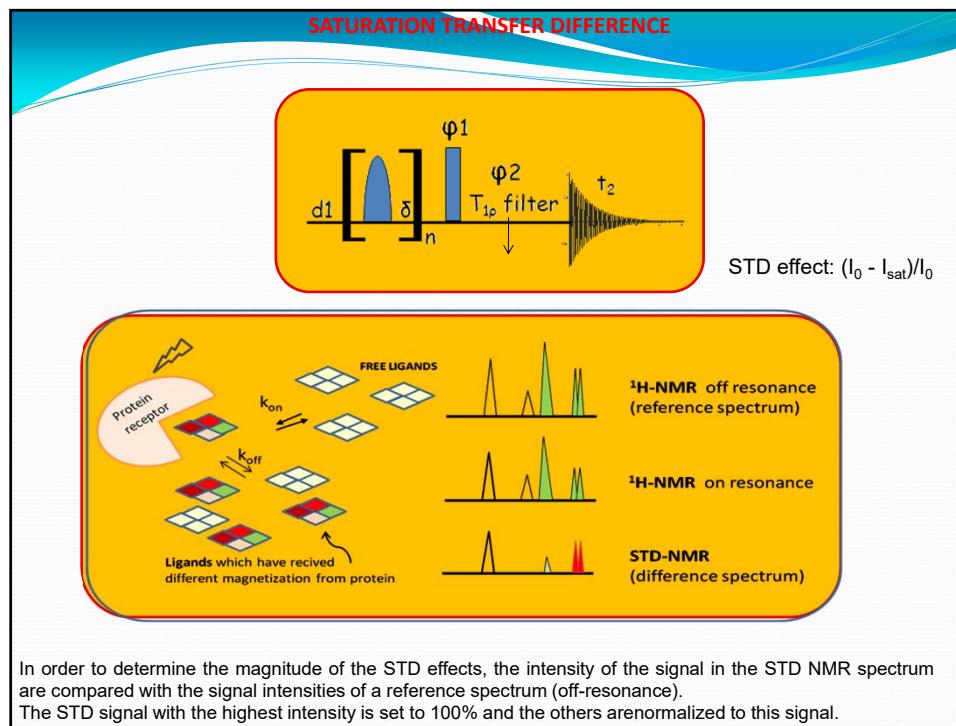
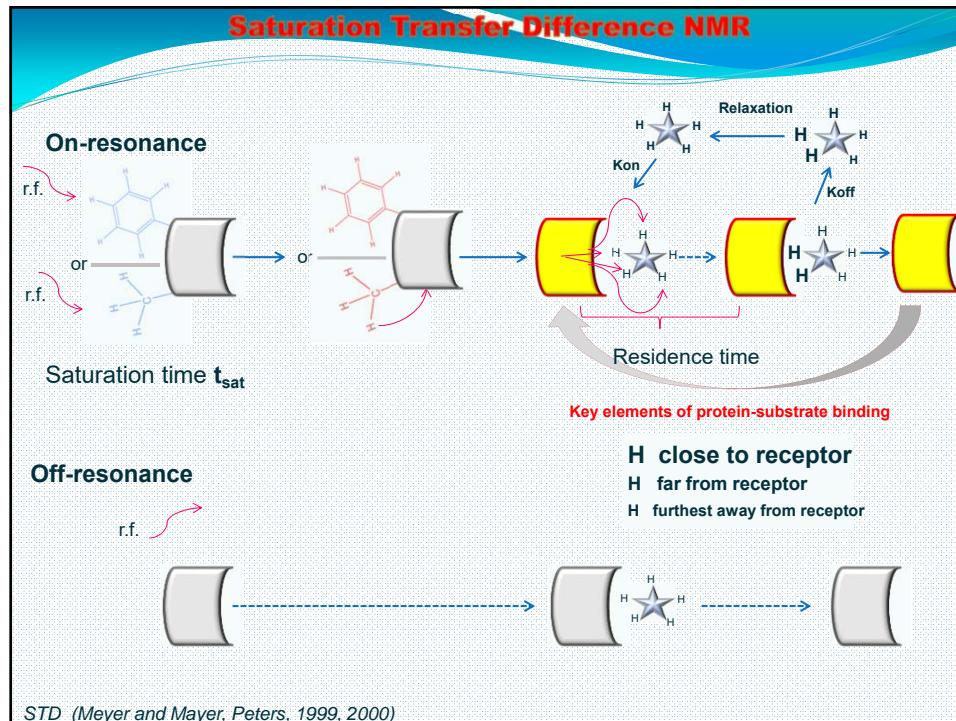
R_{Lb} Strong dependency on molecular size

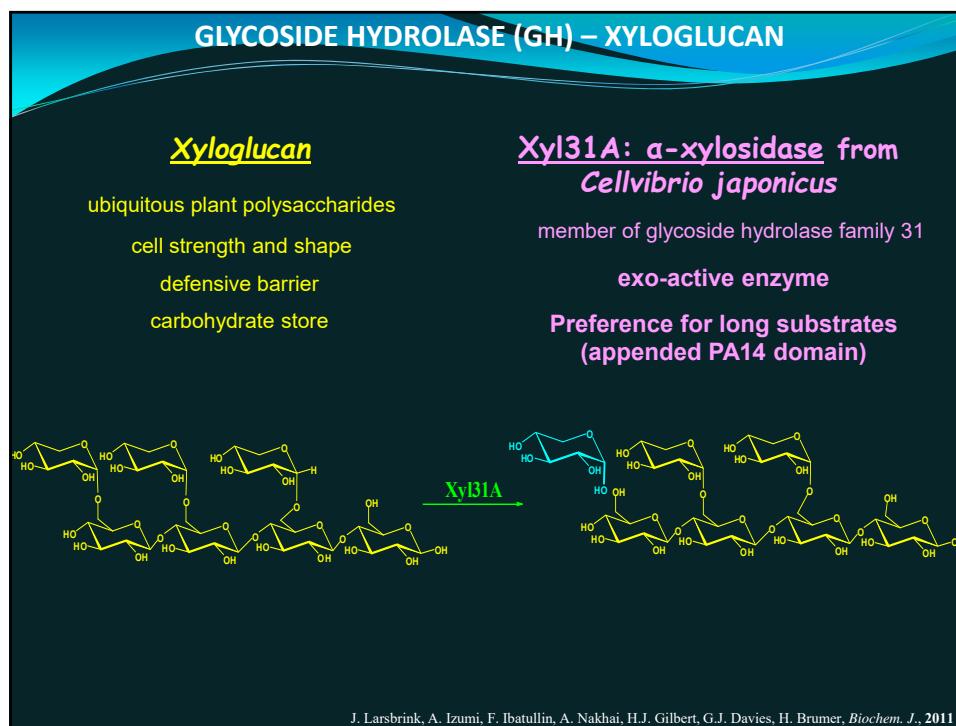
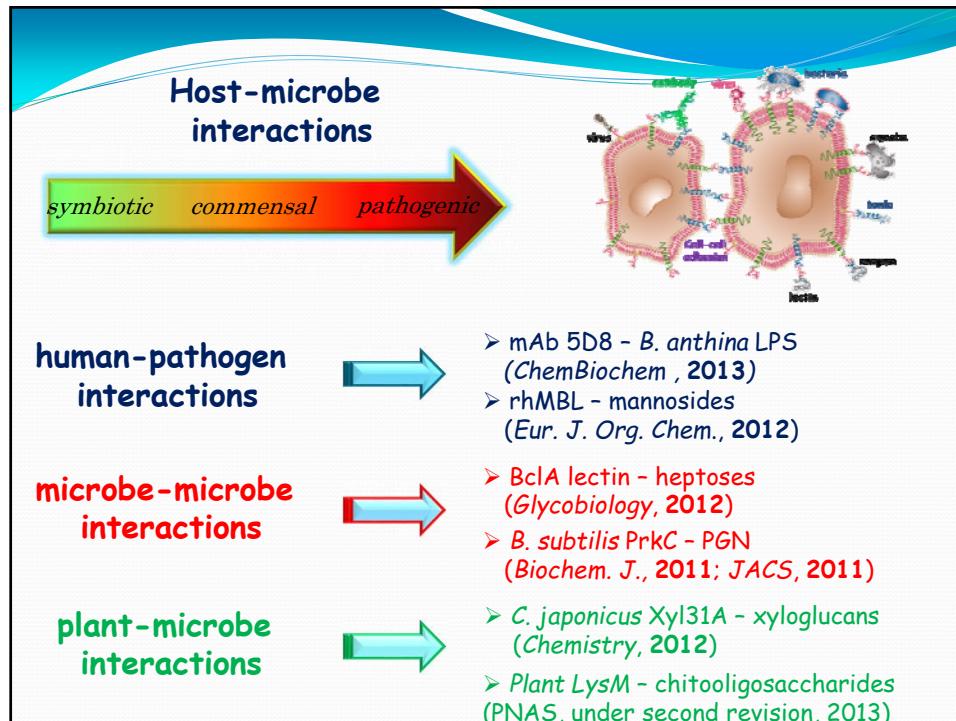
NMR observable parameter R : NOE; Diffusion; Line Shape

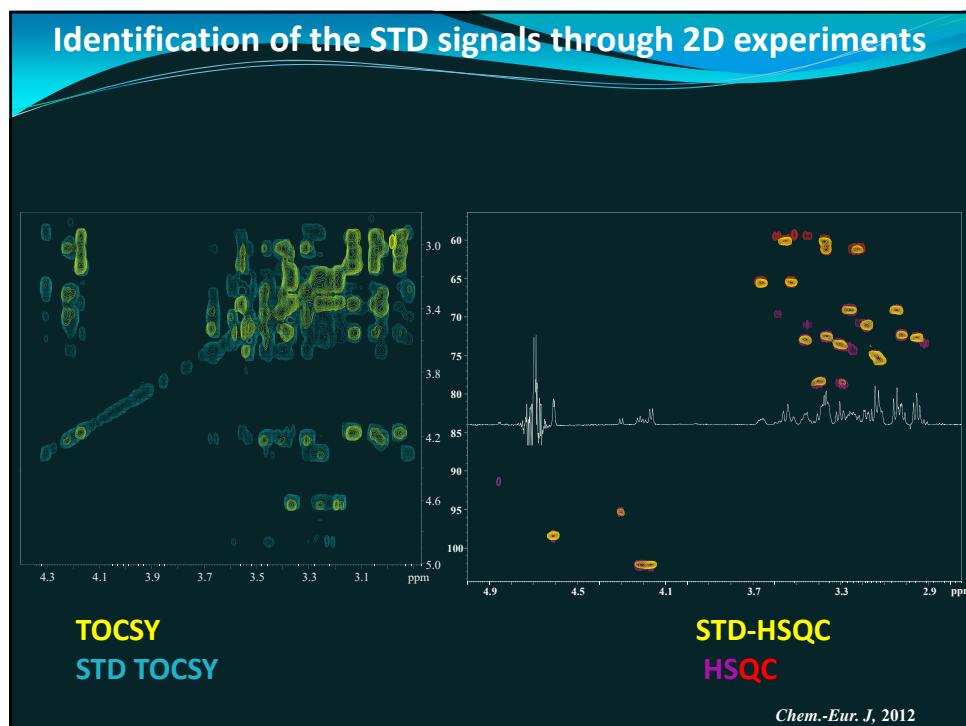
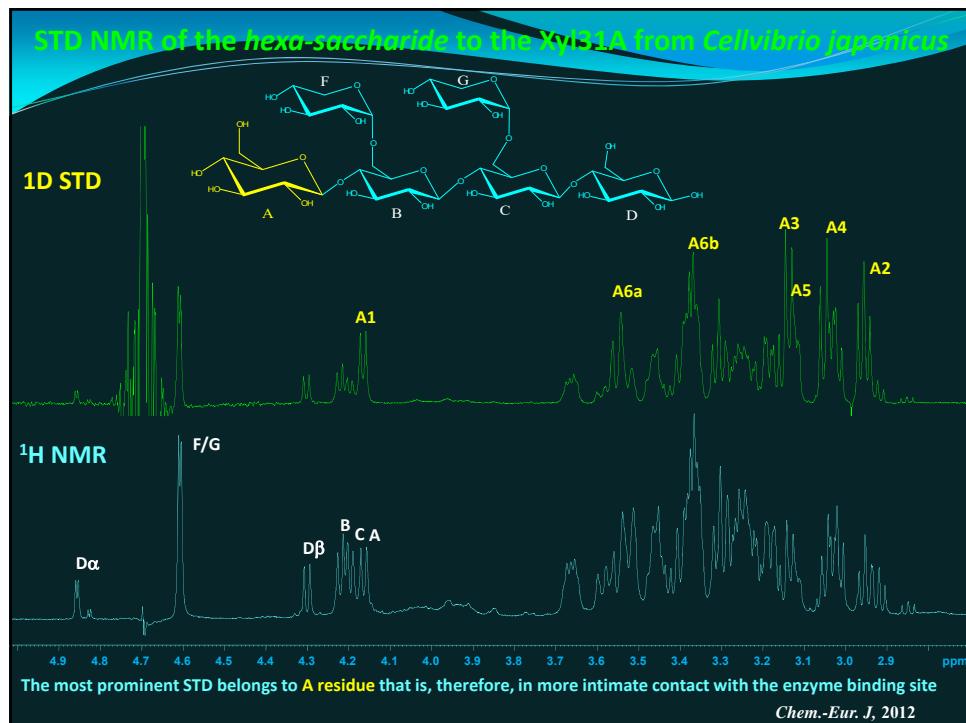


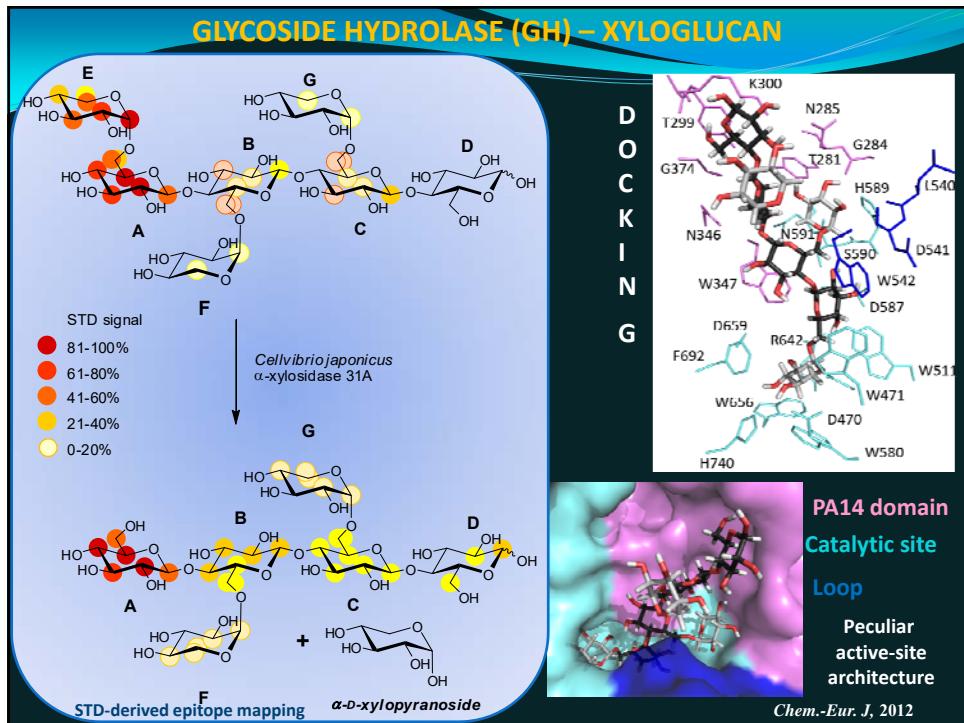












Optional material

**Gas Chromatography-
Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS)
power and limits
(for carbohydrates)**

Gas Chromatography – Mass Spectrometry

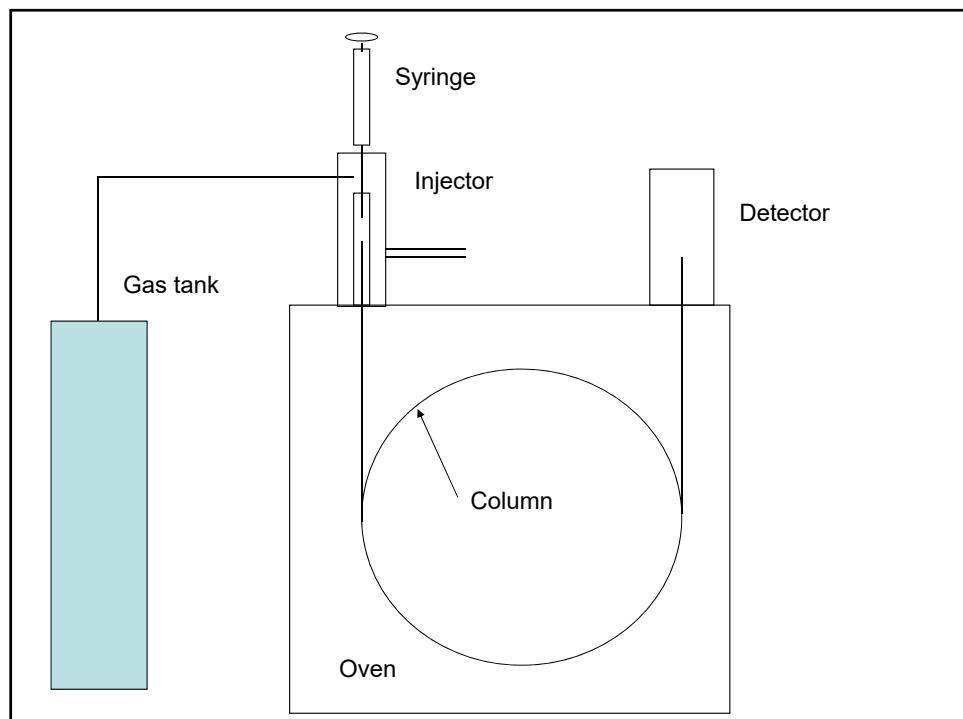
- Components (EI GC-MS)
- Monosaccharide analysis as:
 - Acetylated Alditols
 - Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols
 - Acetylated Methylglycosides
 - Acetylated Octyl Glycosides

Function

- Separation of volatile organic compounds
- Volatile – when heated, VOCs undergo a phase transition into intact gas-phase species
- Separation occurs as a result of unique equilibria established between the solutes and the stationary phase (the GC column)
- An inert carrier gas carries the solutes through the column

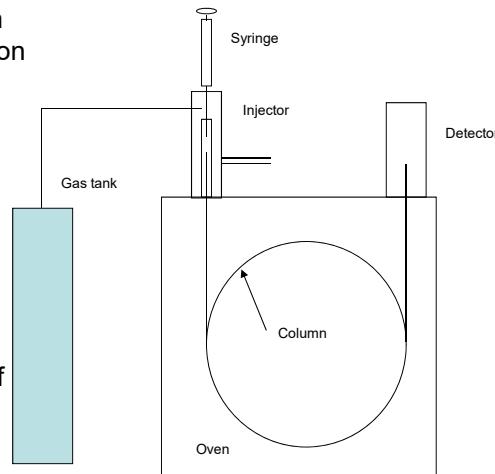
Components

- Carrier Gas, N₂ or He, 1-2 mL/min
- Injector
- Oven
- Column
- Detector

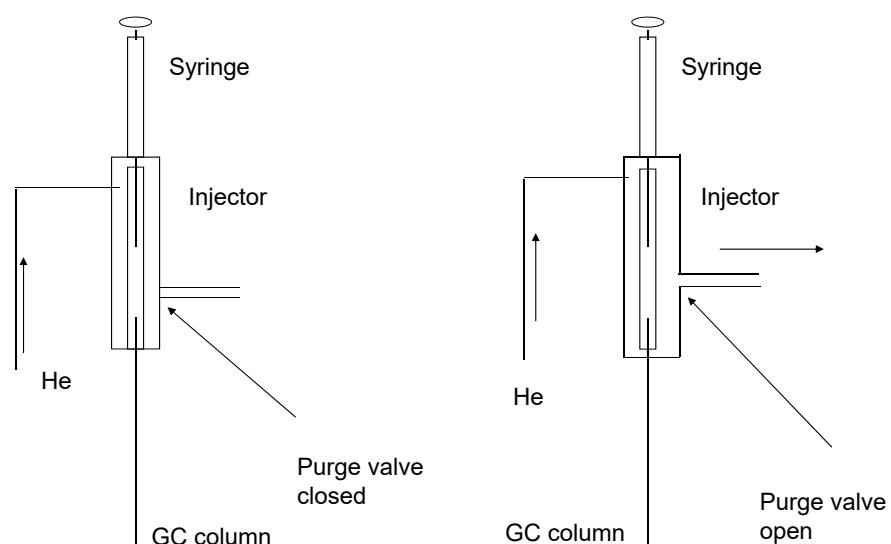


Injector

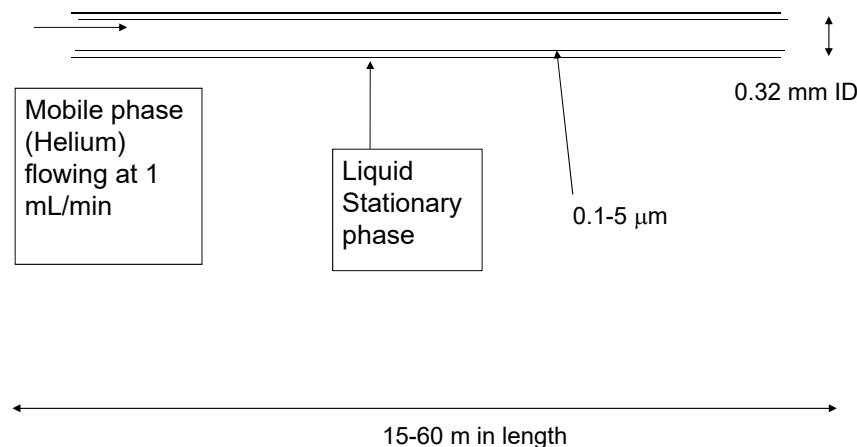
- A GC syringe penetrates a septum to inject sample into the vaporization chamber
- Instant vaporization of the sample, 280 °C
- Carrier gas transports the sample into the head of the column
- Purge valve controls the fraction of sample that enters the column



Splitless (100:90) vs. Split (100:1)



Open Tubular Capillary Column

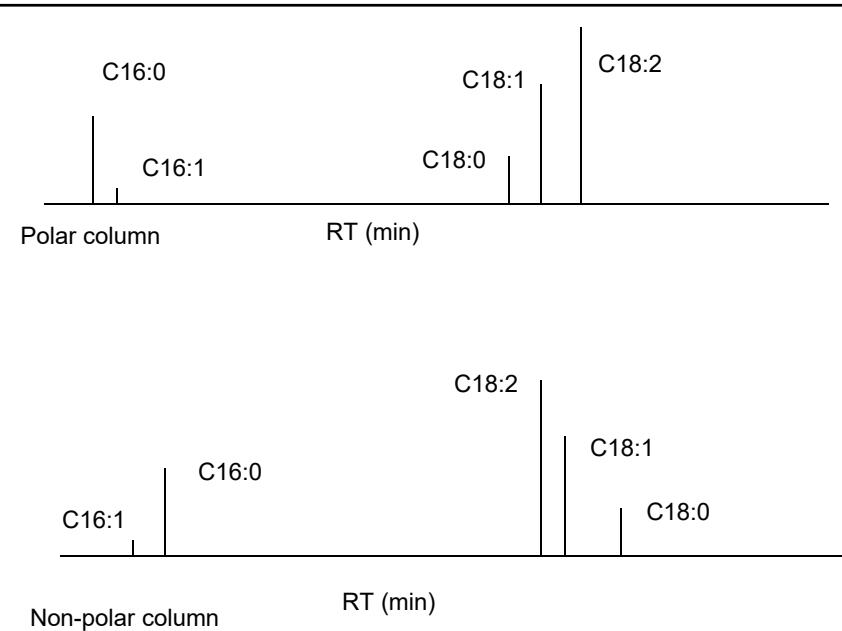


Fused Silica Open Tubular (FSOT) columns

- Coated with polymer, crosslinked
 - Polydimethyl siloxane (non-polar)
 - Poly(phenylmethyldimethyl) siloxane (10% phenyl)
 - Poly(phenylmethyl) siloxane (50% phenyl)
 - Polyethylene glycol (polar)
 - Poly(dicyanoallyldimethyl) siloxane
 - Poly(trifluoropropyldimethyl) siloxane

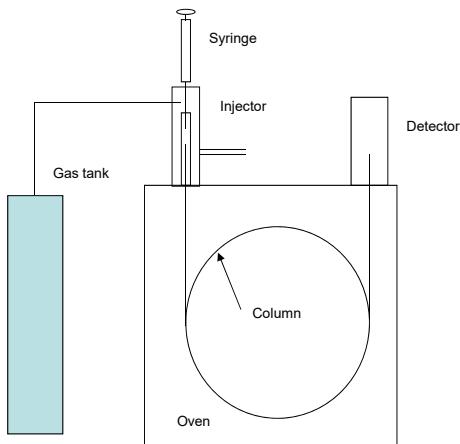
Polar vs. nonpolar

- Separation is based on the vapor pressure and polarity of the components.
- Within a homologous series (alkanes, alcohol, olefins, fatty acids) retention time increases with chain length (or molecular weight)
- Polar columns retain polar compounds to a greater extent than non-polar
 - C18 saturated vs. C18 saturated methyl ester

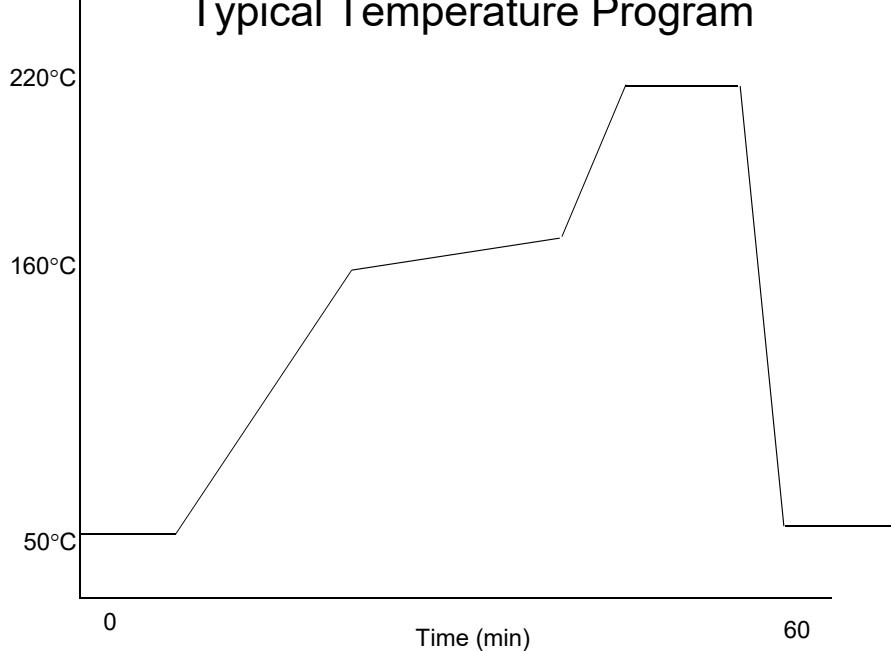


Oven

- Programmable
- Isothermal- run at one constant temperature
- Temperature programming - Start at low temperature and gradually ramp to higher temperature
 - More constant peak width
 - Better sensitivity for components that are retained longer
 - Much better chromatographic resolution
 - Peak refocusing at head of column



Typical Temperature Program



Detectors

- Flame Ionization Detectors (FID)
- Electron Capture Detectors (ECD)
- **Electron impact/chemical ionization (EI/CI)**
Mass spectrometry

What kind of info can mass spec give you?

- Molecular weight
- Elemental composition (low MW with high resolution instrument)
- Structural info (hard ionization or CID)

How does it work?

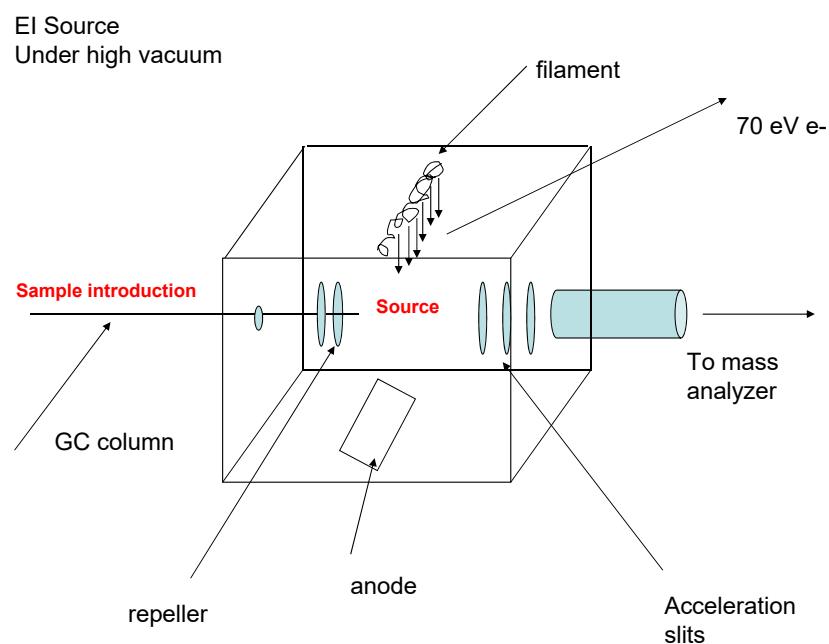
- Gas-phase ions are separated according to mass/charge ratio and sequentially detected

Parts of a Mass Spec

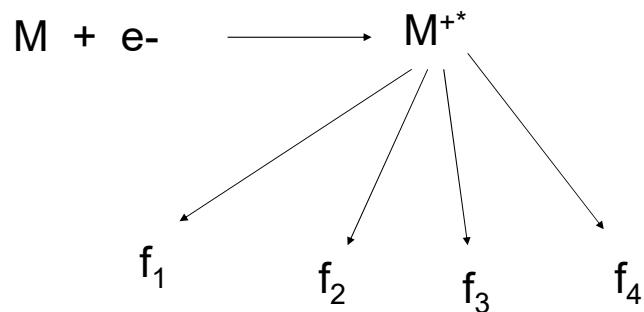
- Sample introduction
- Source (ion formation)
- Mass analyzer (ion sep.) - high vac
- Detector (electron multiplier tube)

EI, CI

- **EI (hard ionization)**
 - Gas-phase molecules enter source through heated probe or GC column
 - 70 eV electrons bombard molecules forming $M+^*$ ions that fragment in unique reproducible way to form a collection of fragment ions
 - EI spectra can be matched to library stds
- **CI (soft ionization)**
 - Higher pressure of methane leaked into the source (mtorr)
 - Reagent ions transfer proton to analyte

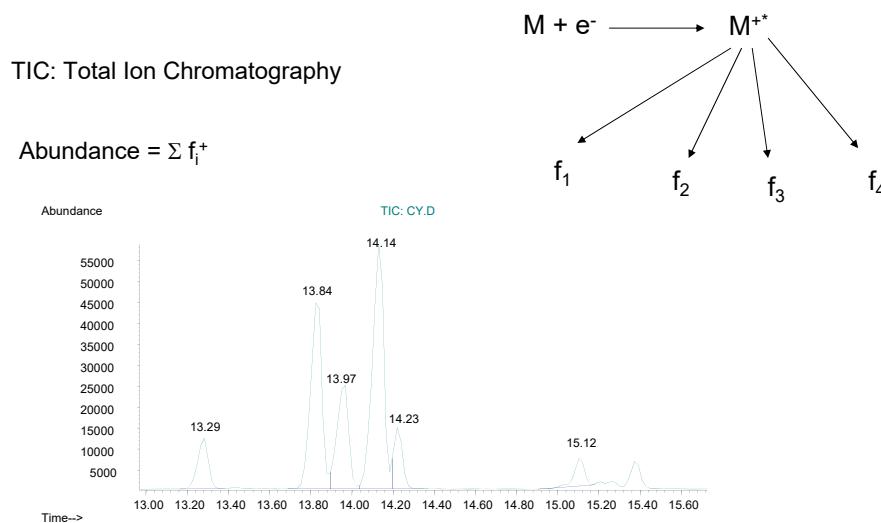


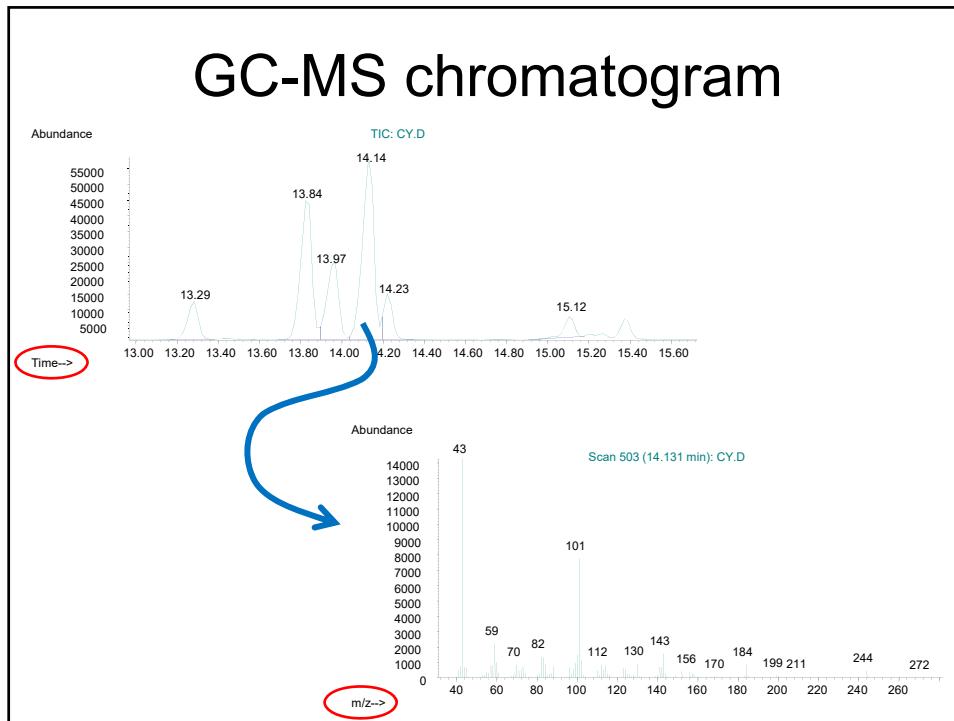
El process



This is a remarkably reproducible process. M will fragment in the same pattern every time using a 70 eV electron beam

GC-MS chromatogram





Mass Analyzers

- **Low resolution**
 - Quadrupole
 - Ion trap

- **High resolution**
 - TOF time of flight
 - Sector instruments (magnet)

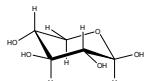
- **Ultra high resolution**
 - ICR ion cyclotron resonance

Gas Chromatography – Mass Spectrometry

- Monosaccharide composition as:
 - Acetylated Alditols
 - Acetylated Methyl glycosides
- Additional info
 - Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols
 - Acetylated Octyl Glycosides
 - N.B.: amount of sample required ~ 0.2 mg

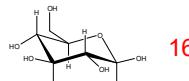
Monosaccharide diversity

Pentose



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Hexose

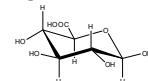


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Ulosonic acids

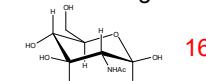
Kdo
Sialic acid
Legionamminic acid
....

Uronic Acids



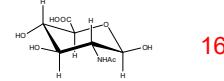
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2-Aminosugars



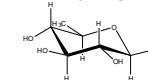
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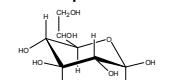
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Deoxysugars



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Heptose



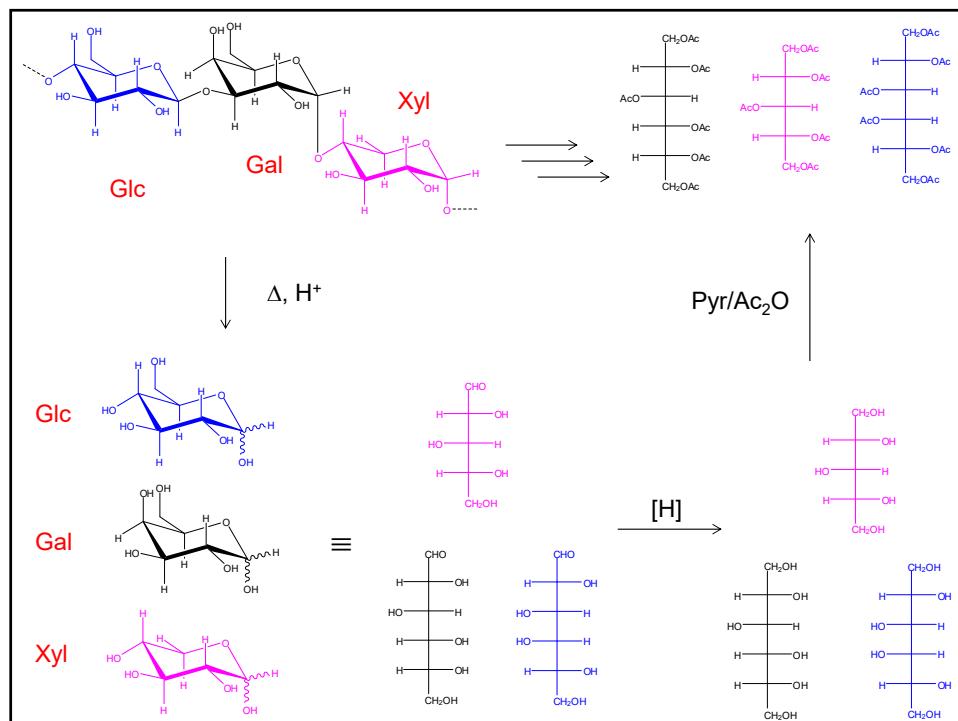
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Dideoxysugars

Aminodeoxysugars
Branched sugars
....

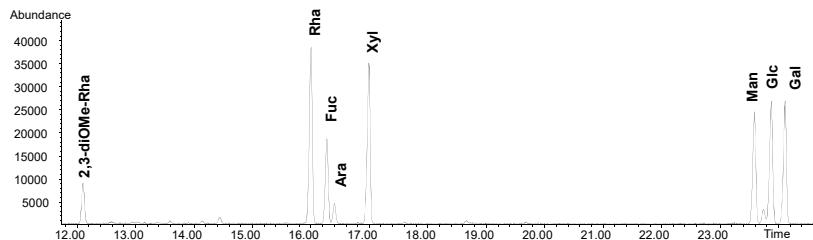
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Acetylated Alditols



Acetylated Alditols: advantages and limits

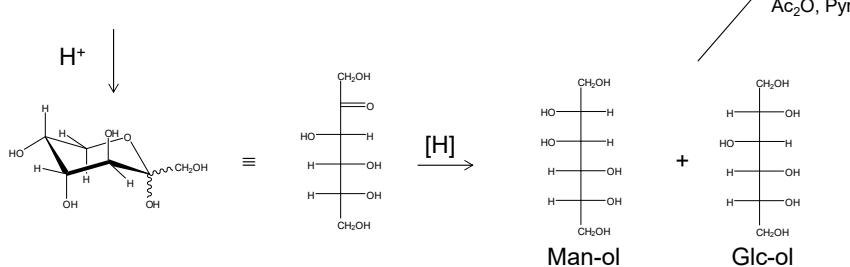
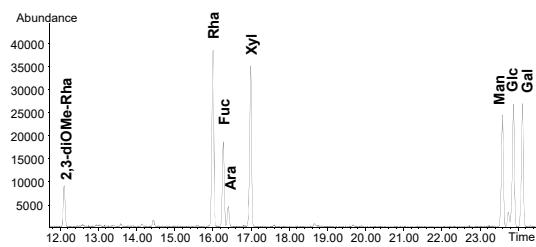
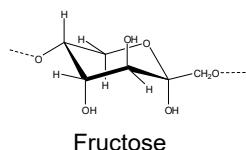
- Advantages:
 - one residue \Rightarrow one peak ... except for ketoses
 - No special reaction conditions setup required
 - Suitable for neutral sugars (aldose and ketoses) and aminosugars



Acetylated alditols, example ...

1 sugar \Rightarrow 1 peak,...

except for ketoses

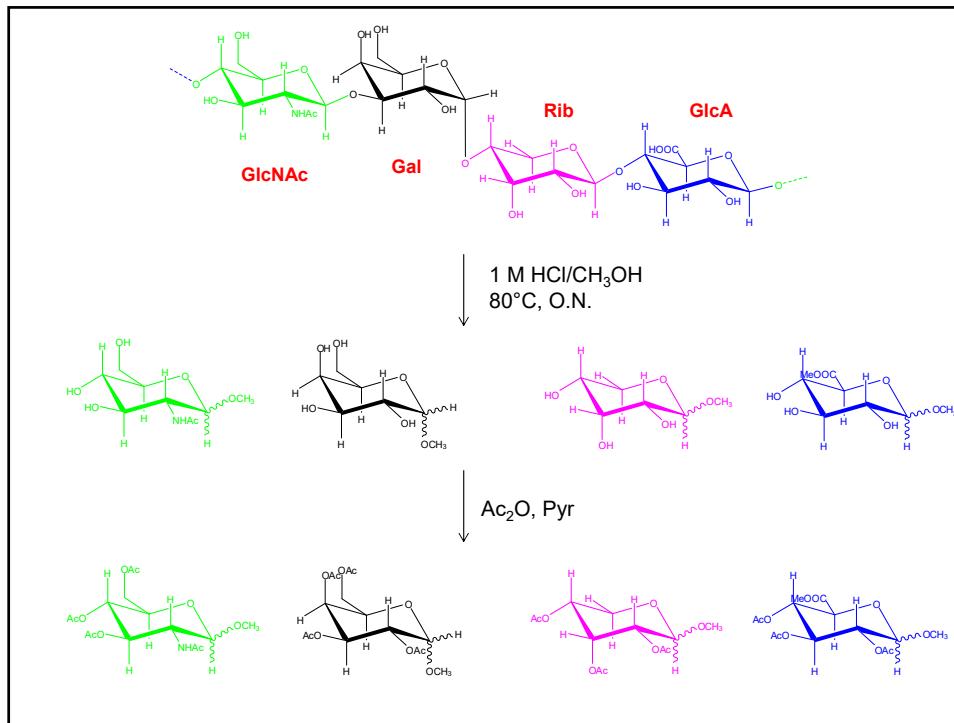


Acetylated Alditols: advantages and limits

- Limits:
 - Free emiacetals degrade during hydrolysis
 - Care needed for hydrolysis conditions selection
 - Ideal conditions: 100% hydrolysis – 0% degradation
 - Ketoses linkages are more labile than those of hexoses
 - Aminosugars linkages are very strong
 - Sugars carrying an aminosugar or an uronic acid are underestimated
 - Acidic monosaccharides are not detected even if their hydrolysis occurs

Solution: other types of derivatives

Acetylated Methyl glycosides

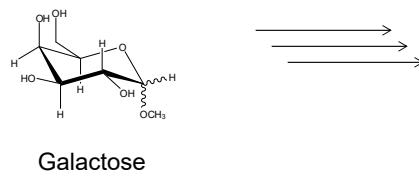


Acetylated Methyl glycosides

- Advantages:
 - Less reactions' step compared to Acetylated Alditols
 - O.N. reaction yields to almost complete methanolysis of the product
 - No free aldehyde group is produced during methanolysis ⇒ monosaccharide degradation is minimized
 - Suitable for most type of sugars
 - Hexoses
 - Aminosugars
 - Uronic acid
 - Ulosonic acids
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Acetylated Methyl glycosides

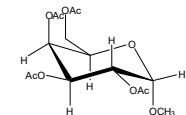
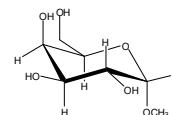
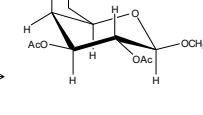
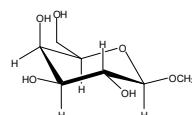
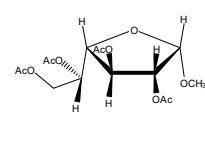
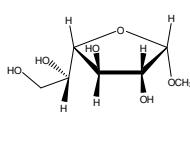
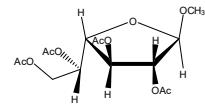
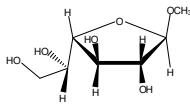
- Limits:
 - One sugar \Rightarrow more peaks
 - Respect anhydrous conditions during methanolysis
 - Ketose residues are lost



Galactose

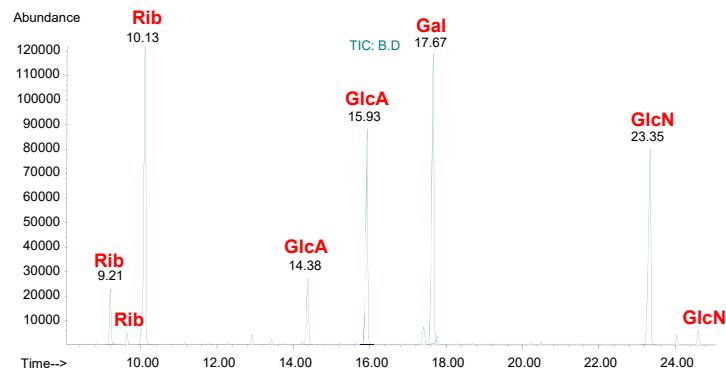
Acetylated Methyl glycosides

Galactose

 $\alpha\text{-Galp}$  $\beta\text{-Galp}$  $\alpha\text{-Galf}$  $\beta\text{-Galf}$ 

One sugar ...
4 signals!!

Acetylated Methyl glycosides



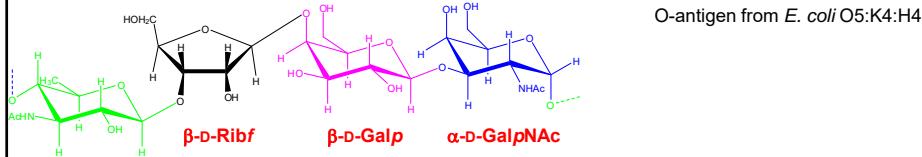
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An advantage or a limit?

GC-MS
not only composition but also for
other info

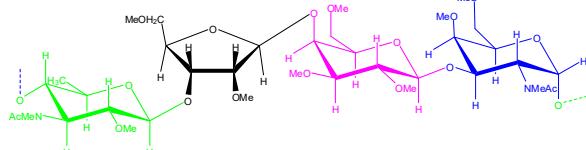
- Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols ⇒ Substitution Pattern
- Acetylated Octyl Glycosides ⇒ Absolute Configuration

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

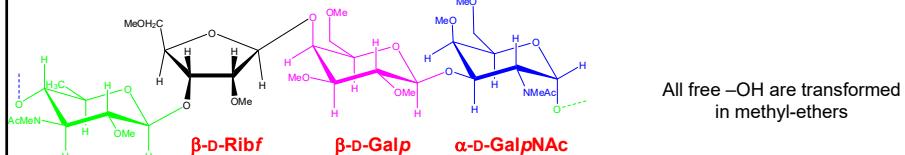


$\beta\text{-D-Quip3NAc}$

Exhaustive polysaccharide methylation



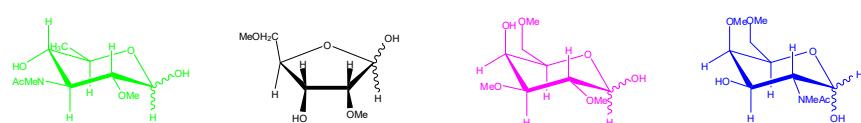
Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols



$\beta\text{-D-Quip3NAc}$

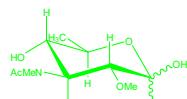
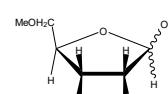
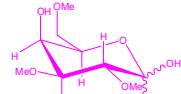
All free $-\text{OH}$ are transformed in methyl-ethers

$[\text{H}^+, \Delta]$

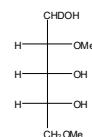
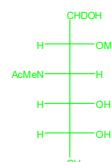


Hydrolysis frees those $-\text{OH}$ groups previously engaged in a linkage

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

D-Qui3NAc**D-Rib****D-Gal****D-GalNAc**

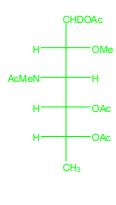
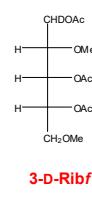
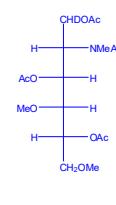
[H]
Reduction usually performed with deuterated hydride



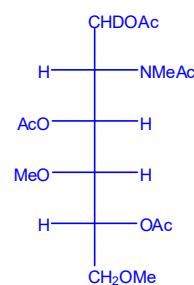
Anomeric position is marked with a deuterium

Ac₂O, Pyr

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

**4-D-Quip3NAc****3-D-Ribf****4-D-Galp****3-D-GalNAc**

Features of each sugar derivative: 3-linked GalNAc as example



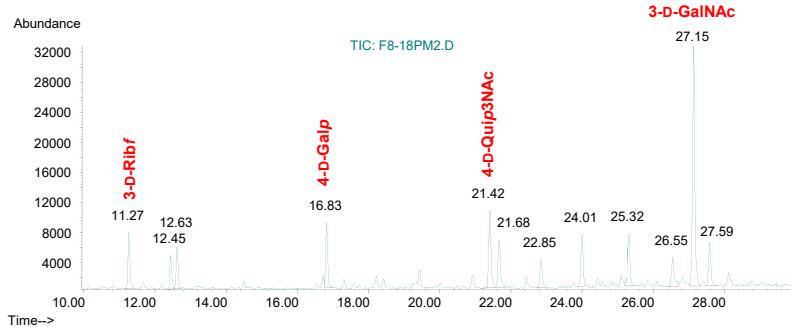
Each PMAA must have:

- One CHDOAc group deriving from the anomeric carbon
- One H-C-Oac deriving from OH- group involved in sugar cyclization

Aside from the two "musts"

- Each H-C-OMe indicates a free OH- group in the polysaccharide
- Each H-C-OAc (if present) indicates a substituted OH- group

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols



Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

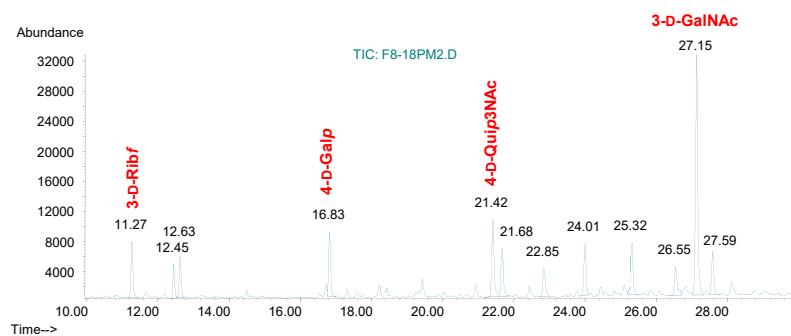
Advantages:

- Interpretation rules easy and clear
- One analysis determines the substitution pattern of the residues in the polysaccharides
- Analysis almost mandatory to understand complex poly/oligosaccharide

Limits:

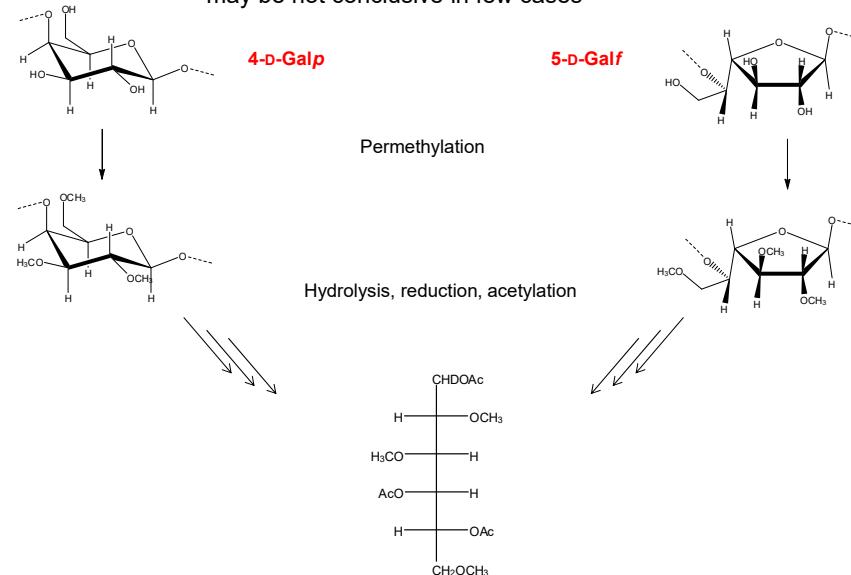
- Polysaccharide undermethylation yields to false results
- Procedure needs to be adapted for uronic acids detection
- Even if interpretation of PMAA is clear, it may be not conclusive in few cases

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols



Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

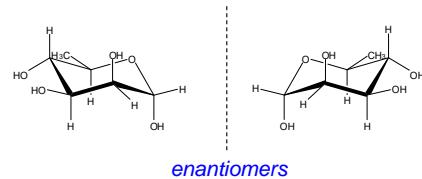
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Acetylated Octyl Glycosides

(Absolute configuration determination)

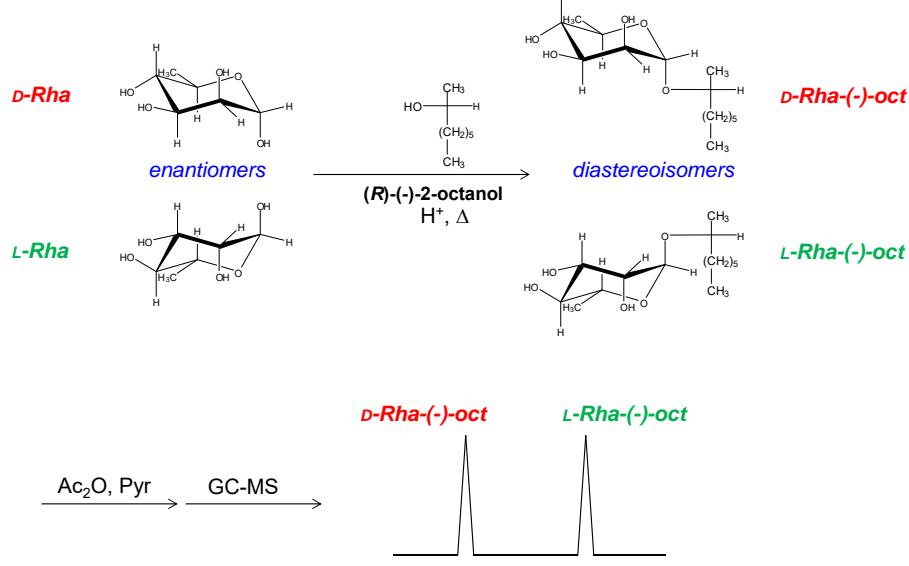
Many sugars exist in both configuration: es. D-Rha and L-Rha



Problem: acetylated methyl glycosides or acetylated alditols do not discriminate among the two forms; the MGA (or AA) are still enantiomers

Solution: derivation of enantiomeric sugars in diastereoisomers, as 2-octylglycosides

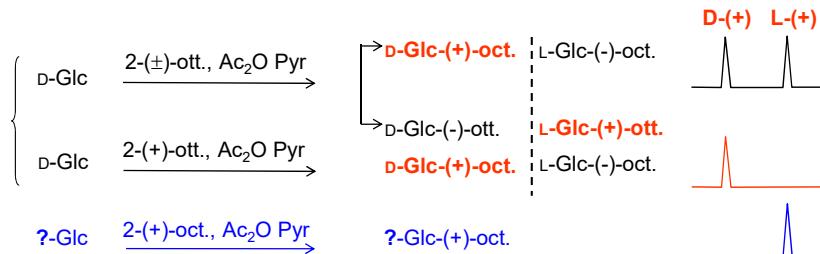
Acetylated Octyl Glycosides



Acetylated Octyl Glycosides

Standard Preparation

- Many sugar configurations are rare and the corresponding monosaccharide are not commercially available
- Standards are prepared using one sugar configuration and a combination of enantiomeric pure and racemic 2-octanol

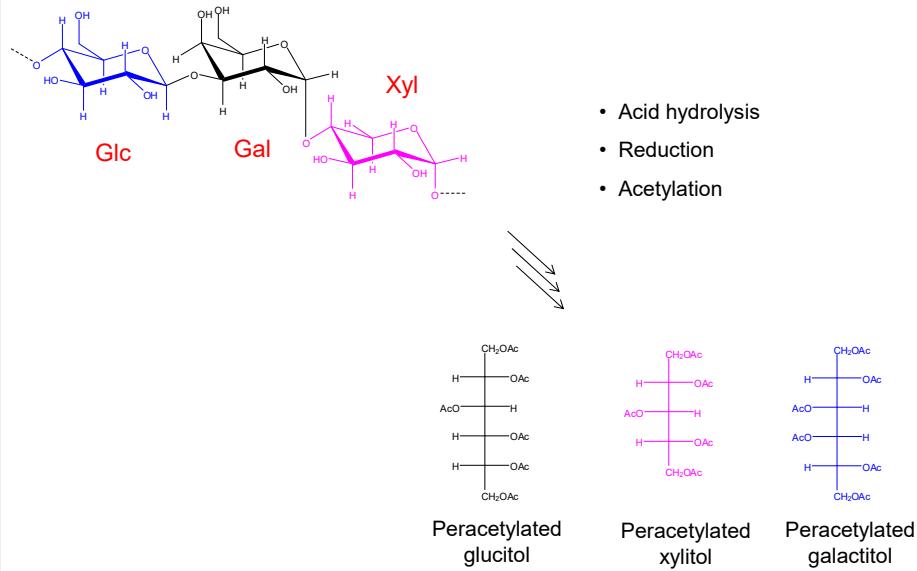


Interpretation of GC-MS carbohydrate spectra

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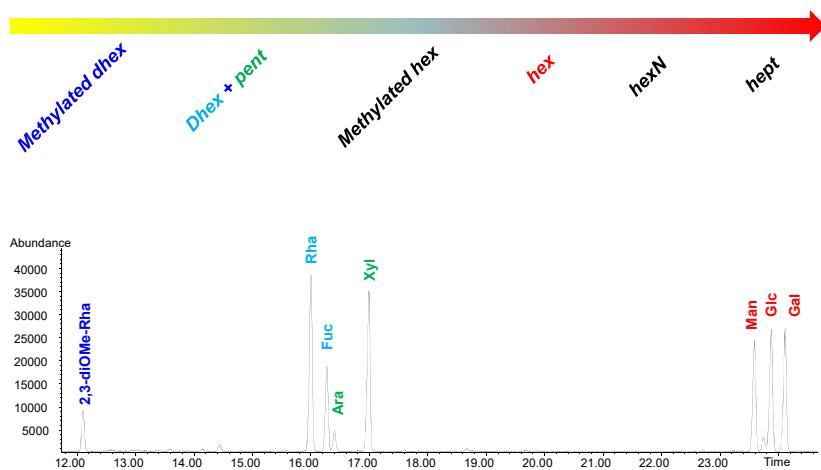
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Acetylated Alditols



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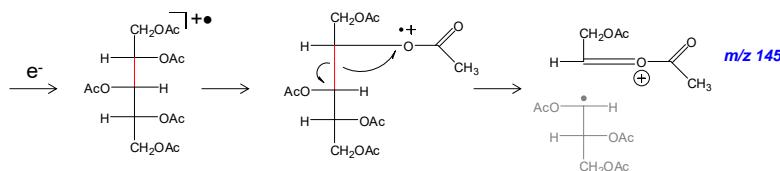
Elution time is important



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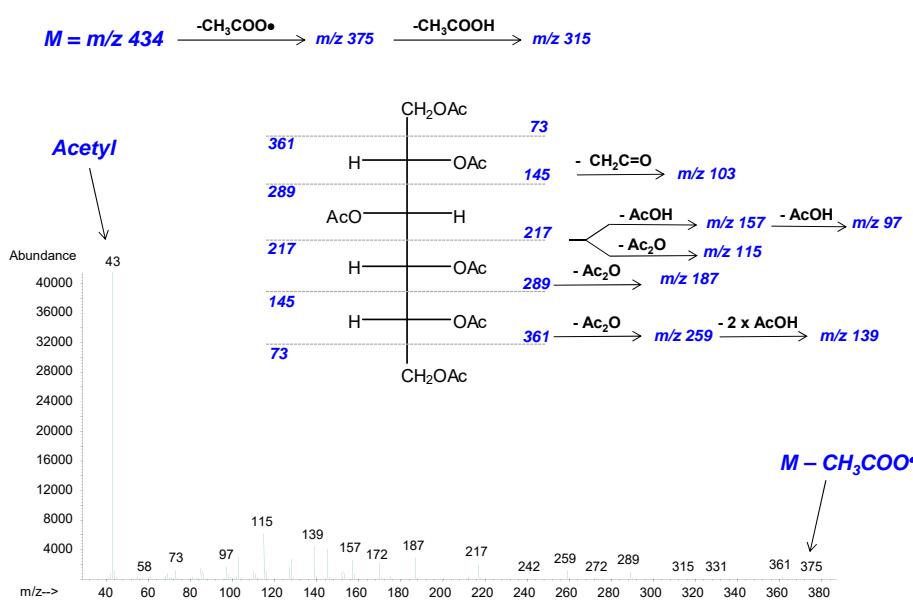
Fragmentation pattern, few rules to understand part/most of the fragments:

- Mass spectra of stereoisomers (as Glc and Gal) are very similar
- Molecular ion is never detected
- Primary ions are formed by
 - Elimination of an acetoxy group ($\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^\bullet$)
 - from alditol backbone rupture

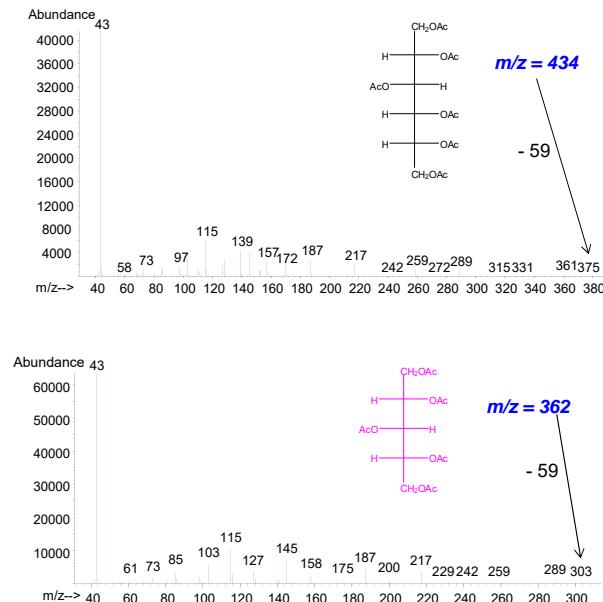


- Intensity of the primary fragments decreases with increasing molecular weight
- Primary ion further loses neutral molecules:
 - AcOH (m/z 60), Ac_2O (m/z 102) or $\text{CH}_2=\text{C=O}$ (m/z 42)

Acetylated Alditols: hexitol

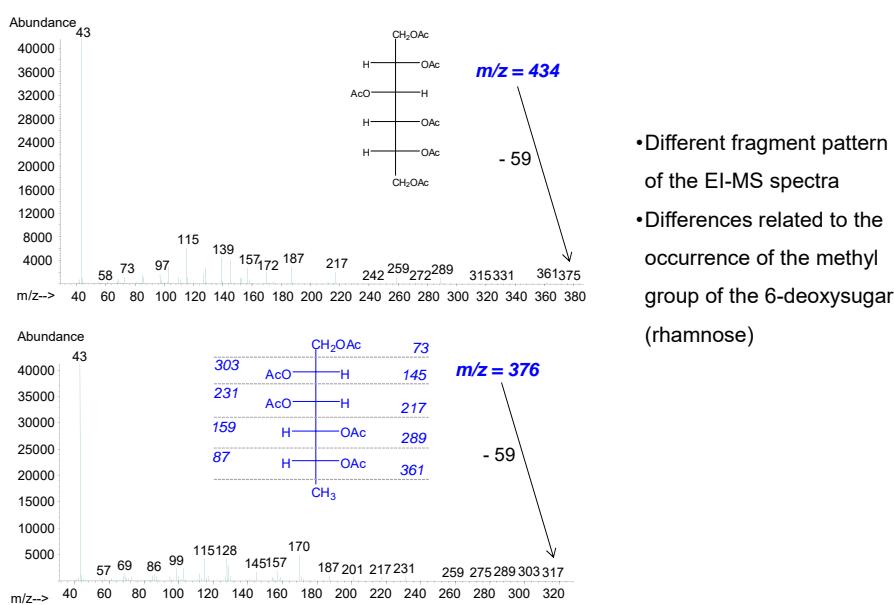


Acetylated Alditols: hexitol vs pentitol



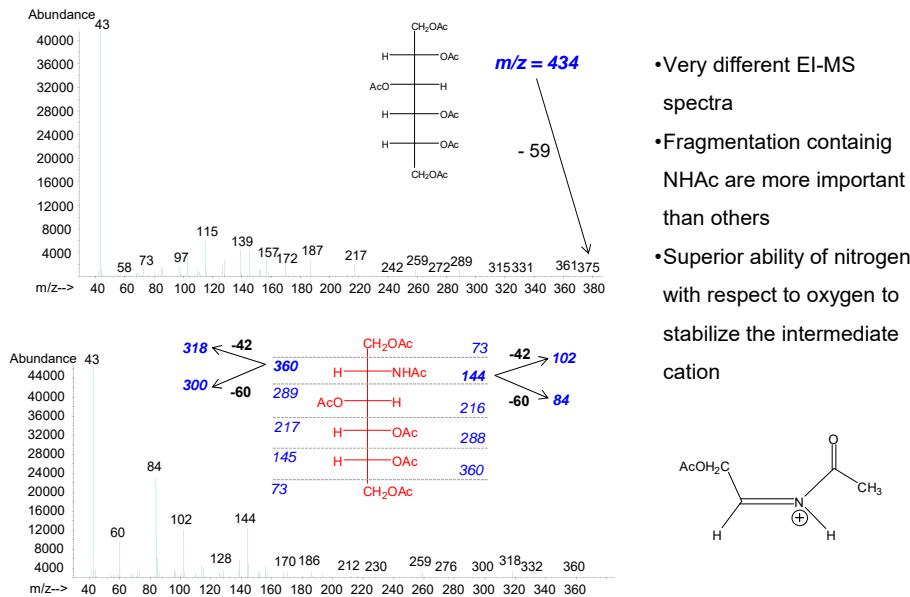
- Very similar EI-MS spectra
- Low m/z almost identical
- High m/z values discriminate among the two alditols but ...
- High m/z values are less abundant fragment and might be undetected

Acetylated Alditols: hex vs d-hex

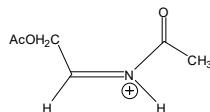


- Different fragment pattern of the EI-MS spectra
- Differences related to the occurrence of the methyl group of the 6-deoxysugar (rhamnose)

Acetylated Alditols: hex-ol vs HexN-ol

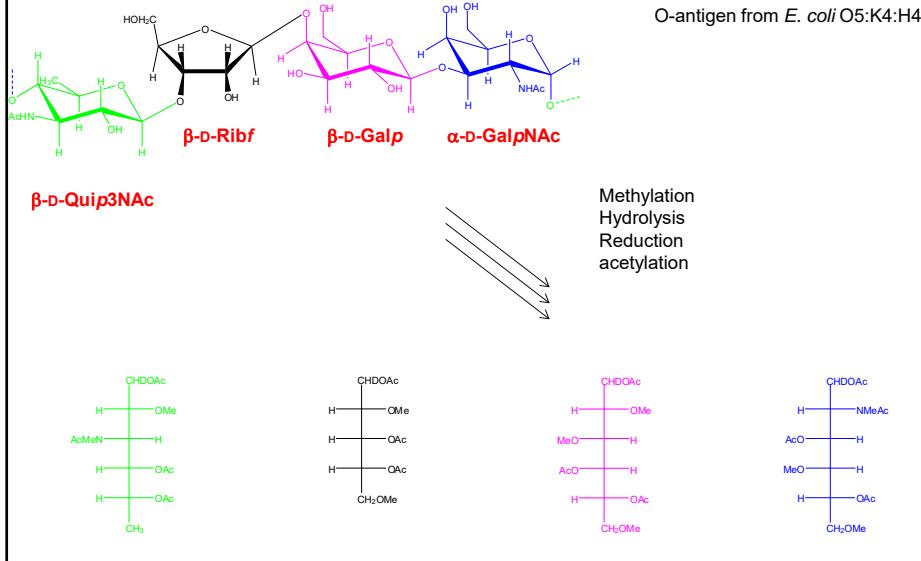


- Very different EI-MS spectra
- Fragmentation containing NHAc are more important than others
- Superior ability of nitrogen with respect to oxygen to stabilize the intermediate cation



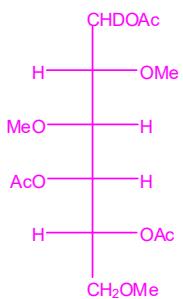
Partially Methylated and Acetylated Alditols: PMAA

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols



Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

Features of each sugar derivative: 4-linked Gal as example



Each PMAA must have:

- One CHDOAc group deriving from the anomeric carbon
- One H-C-OAc deriving from OH- group involved in sugar cyclization

Aside from the two "musts"

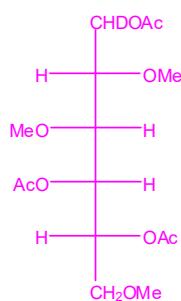
- Each H-C-OMe indicates a free OH- group in the polysaccharide
- Each H-C-OAc (if present) indicates a substituted OH- group

Interpretation rules follow those from Acetylated Alditols

Some few integration are necessary

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

PMAA fragmentation pattern, extension of AA rules



- Mass spectra of stereoisomers (as Glc and Gal) are very similar
- Molecular ion is never detected
- Primary ions are formed by from alditol backbone rupture
- Backbone rupture is governed by the stability of the fragment formed
 - **Fission among two methoxyl-bearing carbons is preferred with respect that among one methoxyl and one acetoxy.**
 - **Fission among two acetoxy bearing carbons is neglectable**
- **The charged fragment is always that with the methoxy group**
- Intensity of the primary fragments decreases with increasing molecular weight
- Primary ion further loose neutral molecules:
 - AcOH (m/z 60), Ac₂O (m/z 102) or CH₂=C=O (m/z 42)
 - **But also CH₃OH (m/z 32), CH₂O (m/z 30)**

Partially Methylated Acetylated Alditols

Remember:

$$\text{CHDOAc} = 74$$

$$\text{H-C-OMe} = 44$$

$$\text{H-C-OAc} = 72$$

$$\text{CH}_2\text{OAc} = 73$$

$$\text{CH}_2\text{OMe} = 45$$

$$\text{H-C-NMeAc} = 85$$

$$\text{CH}_3 = 15$$

Abundance

43

2600

2400

2200

2000

1800

1600

1400

1200

1000

800

600

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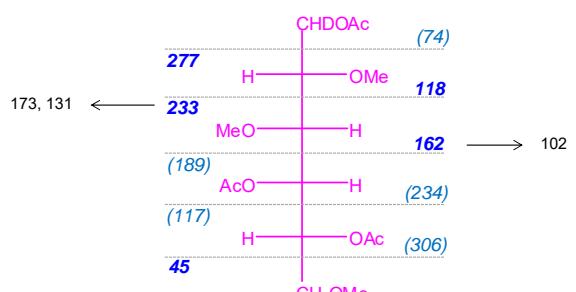
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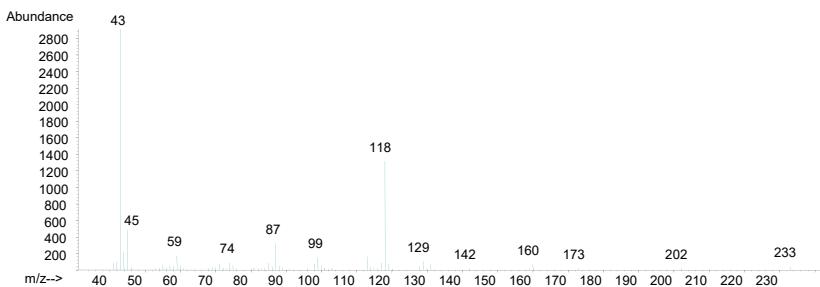
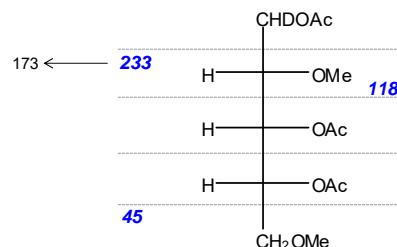


N.B.: fragmentation containing C-1 are even, fragmentation from the "tail" are odd

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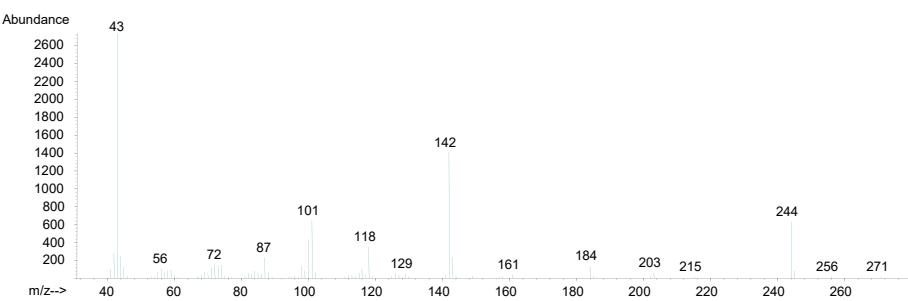
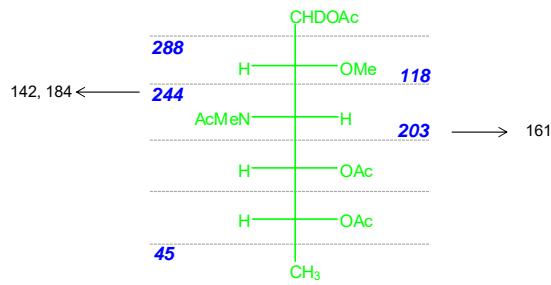
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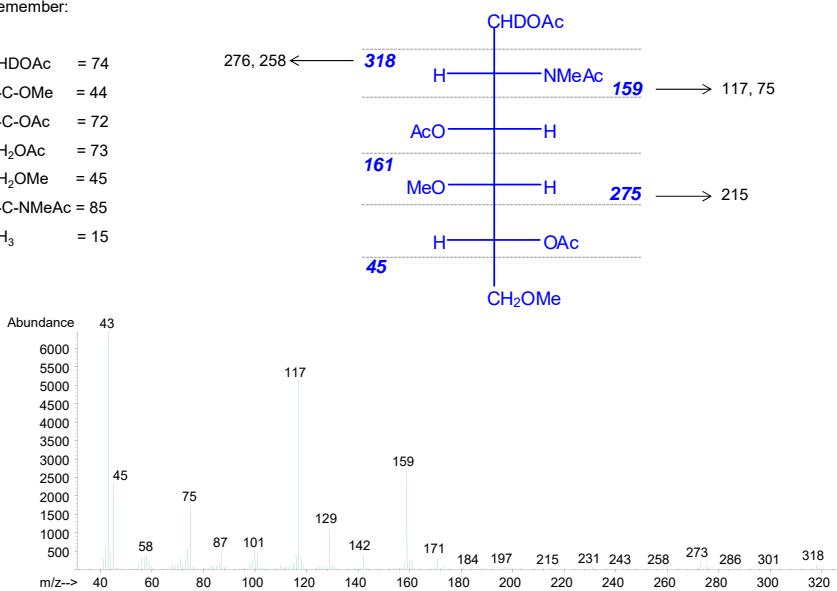
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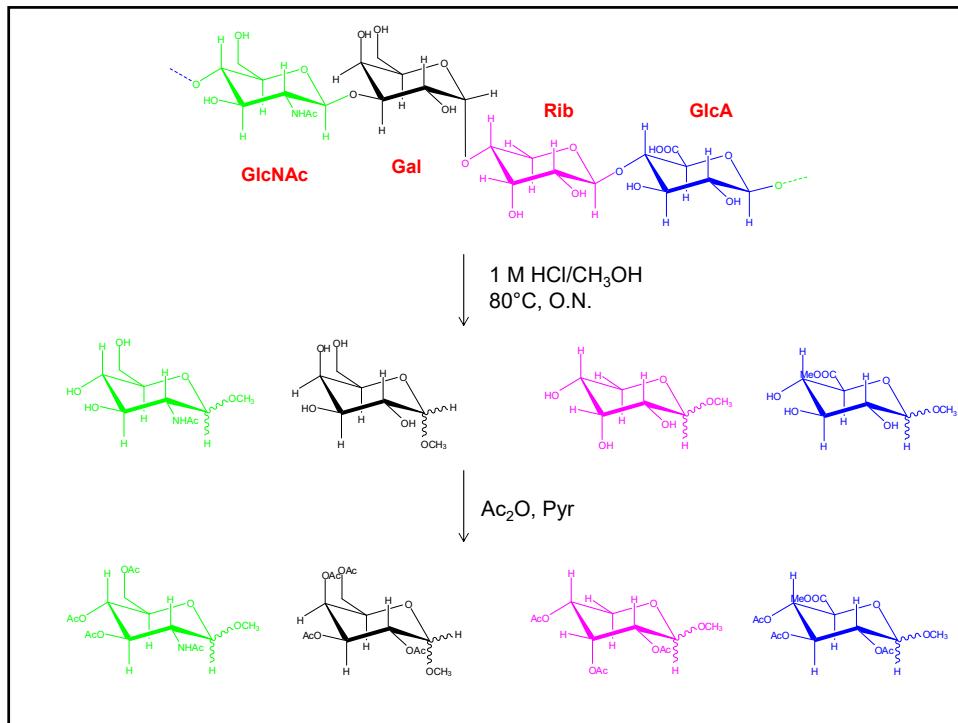
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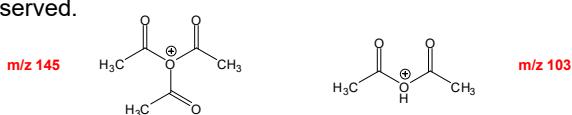
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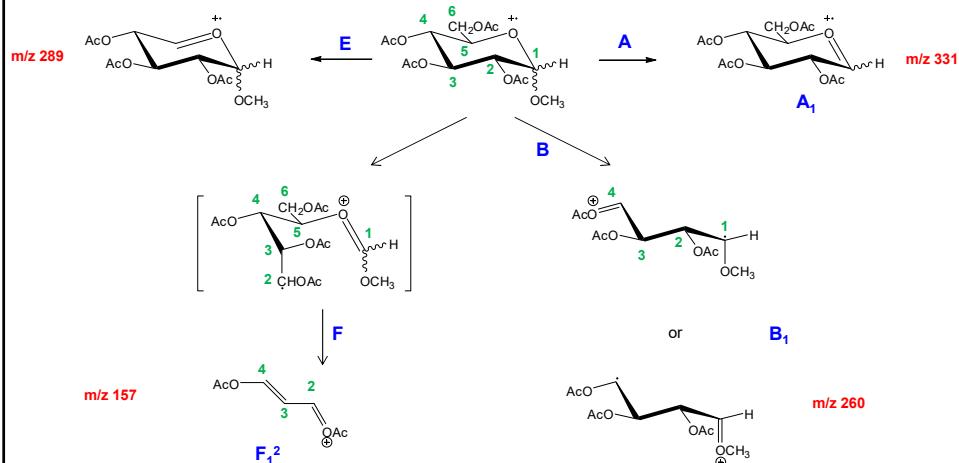
Acetylated Methyl glycosides Fragmentation rules

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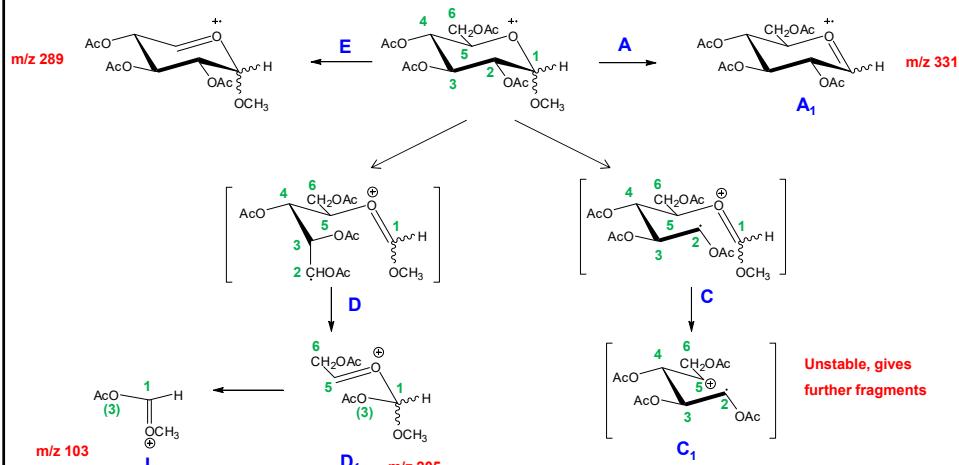
- The most stable ions will be observed in the EI-MS spectrum
- Isomeric sugars (as Glc and Gal) give the same EI-MS spectrum
- The radical cation of the methylglycosides undergoes several pathways:
 - A, B, C, D, E, F, H, J, and K (example given for an hexose)
 - Fragments gives a series of daughter ions by loss of neutral molecules (AcOH, Ac₂O, AcO[•], CH₂=C=O)
 - Occurrence of acetamido, or deoxy groups, change the preferential fragmentation pathway
 - Along with the ions from the fragmentation pathways, triacetoxonium and diacetoxonium ions maybe observed.



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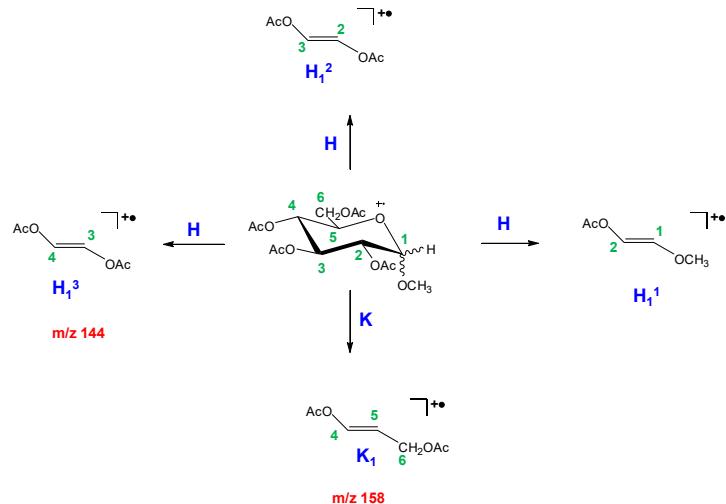


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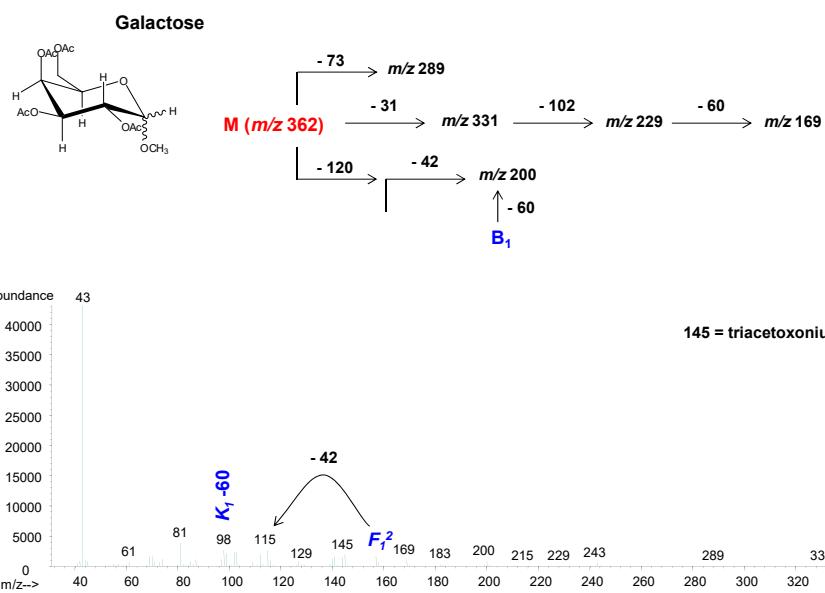


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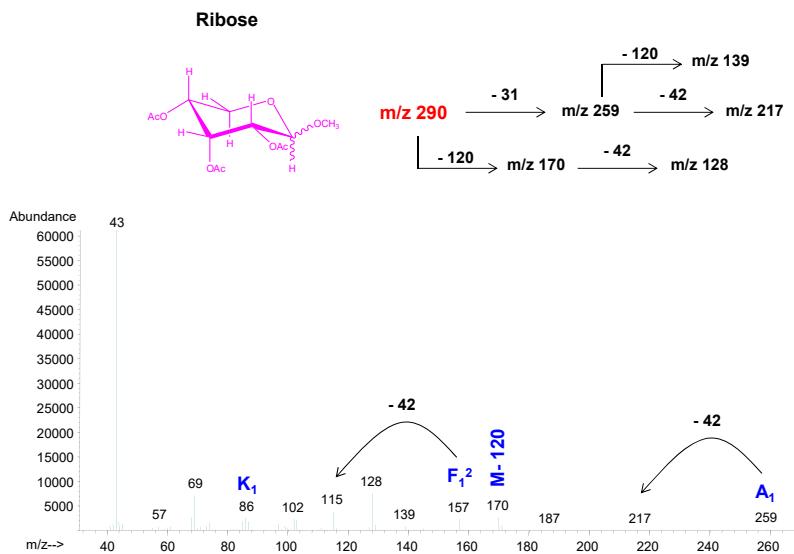
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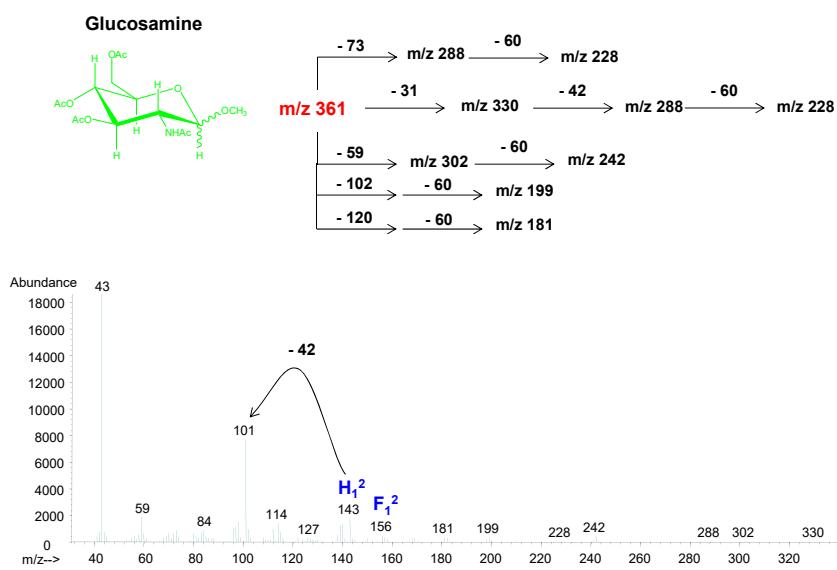
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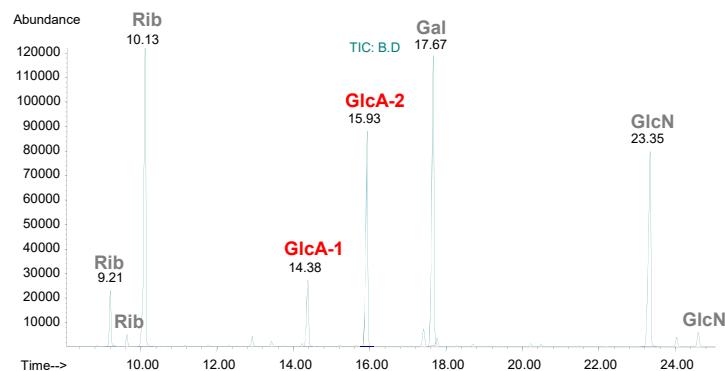
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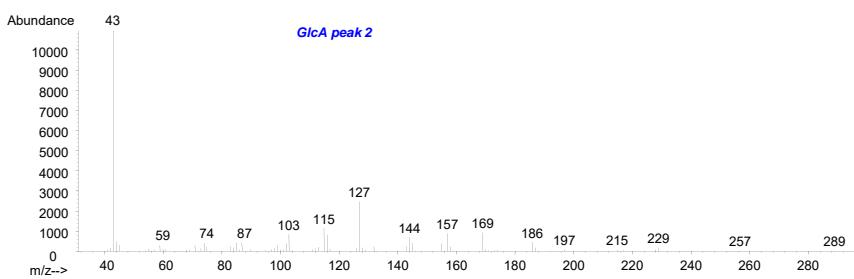
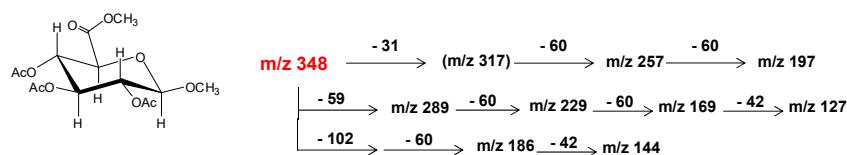


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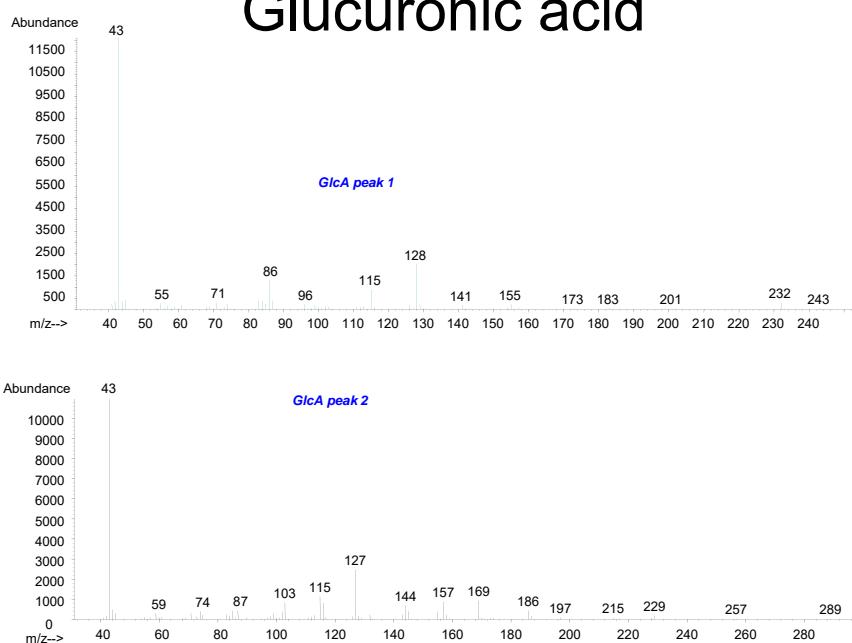


Glucuronic acid: sometimes knowledge of sugar chemistry is important to understand their fragmentation

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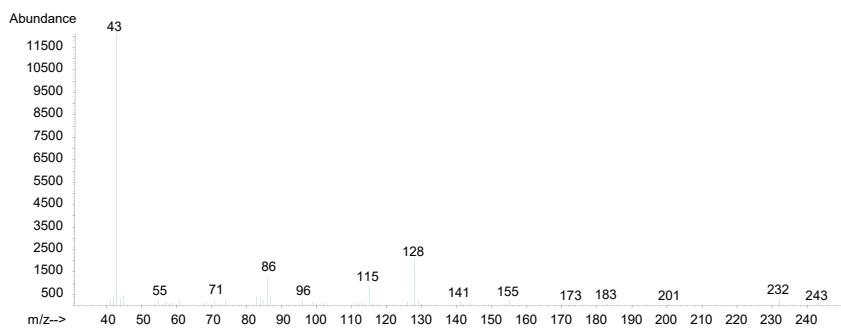
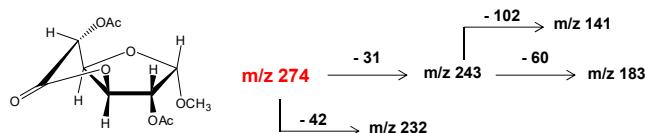


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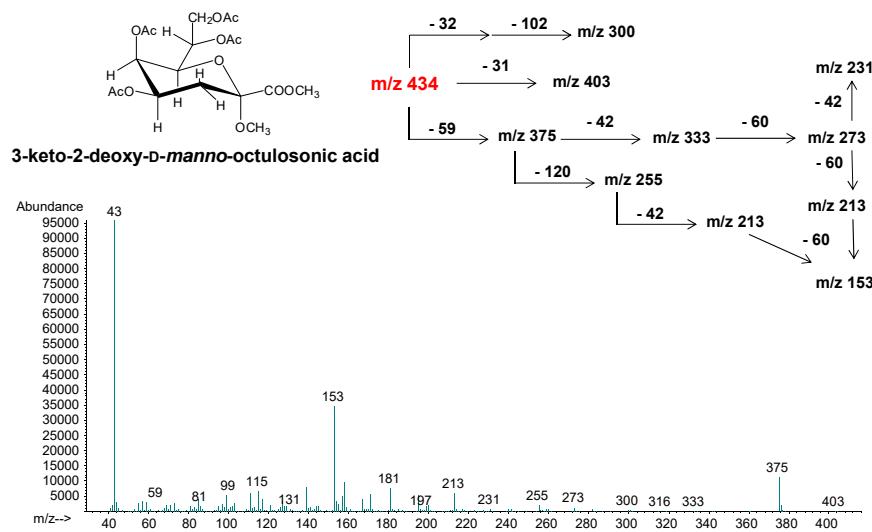
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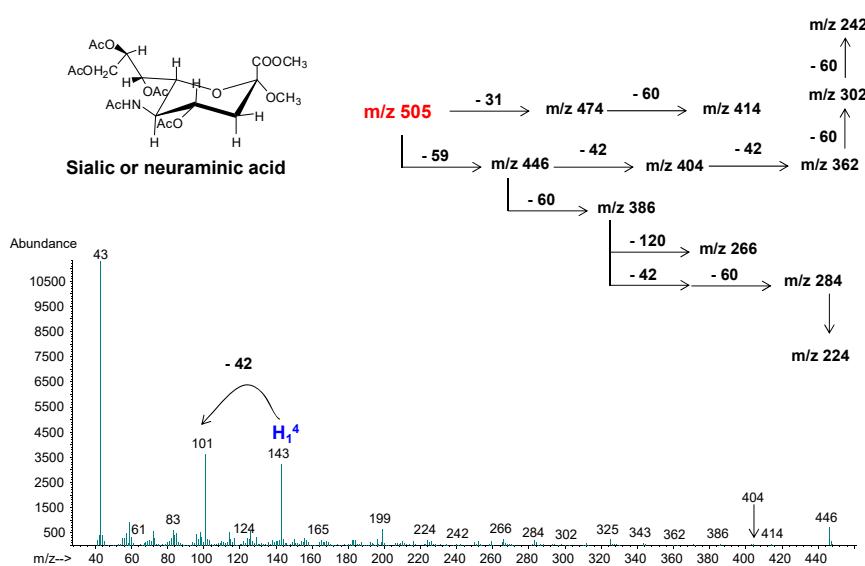
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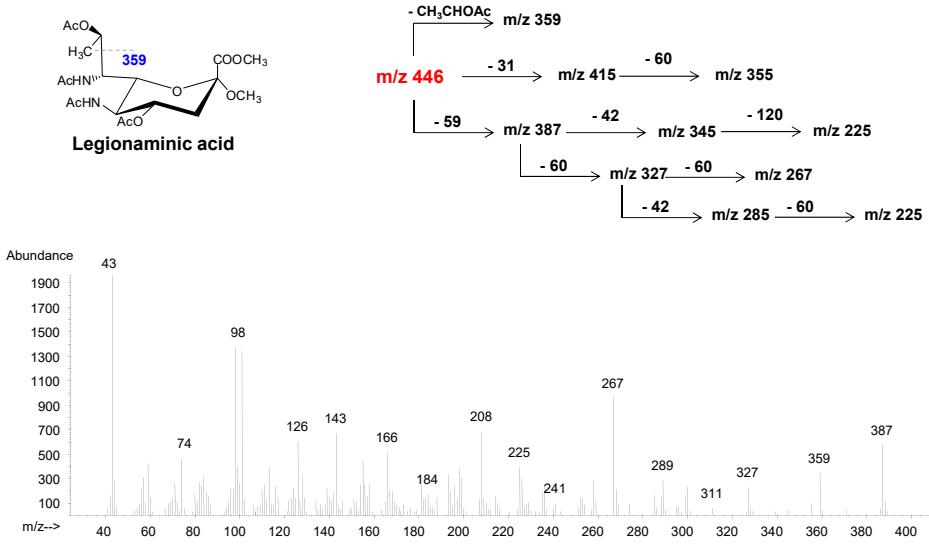
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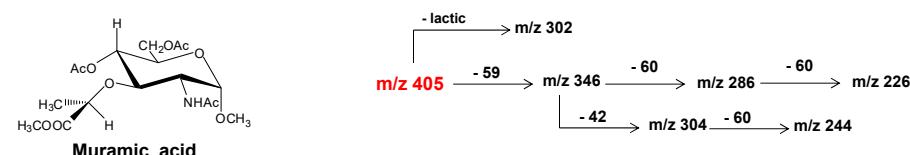
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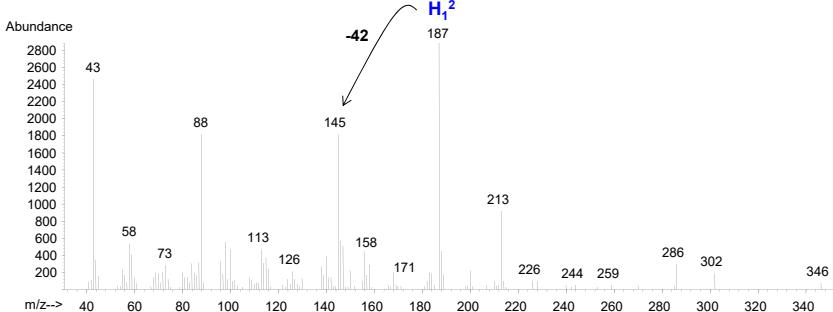


Acetylated Methyl glycosides

Other rare sugars

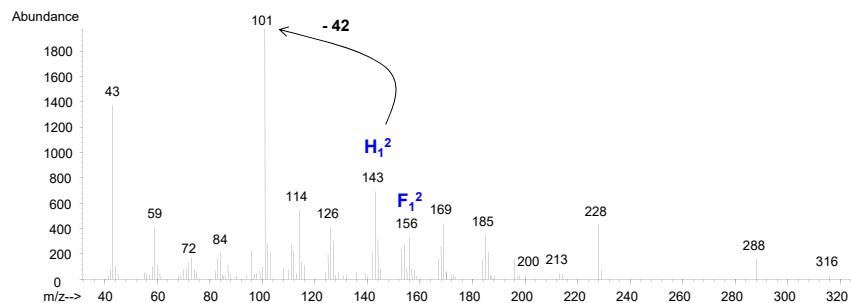
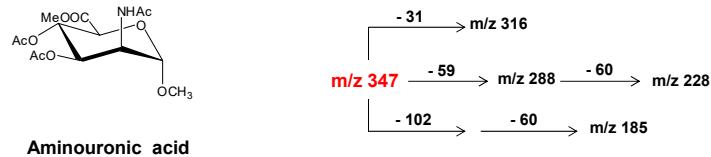


m/z 88 = McLafferty rearrangement from lactic residue



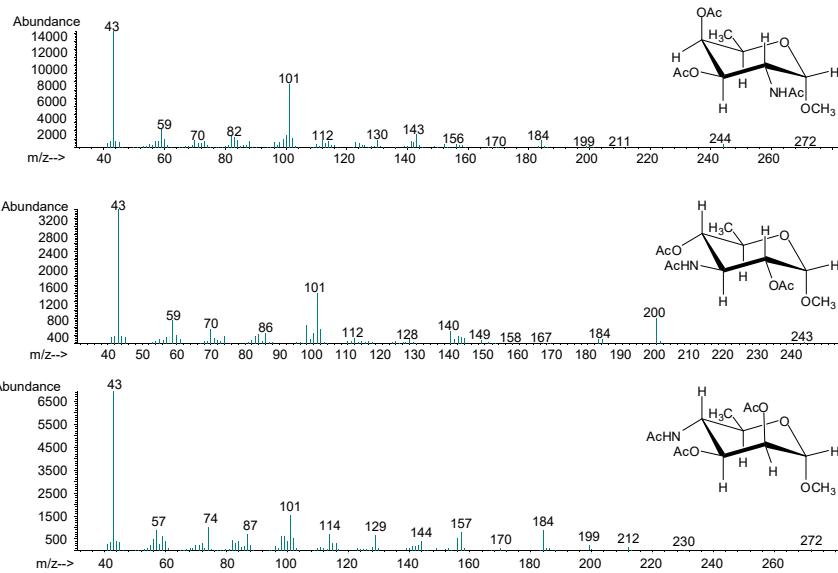
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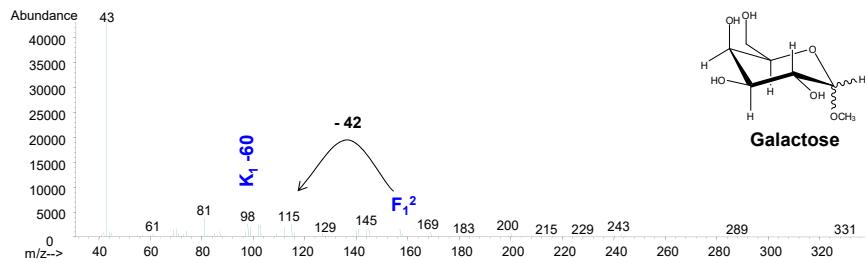
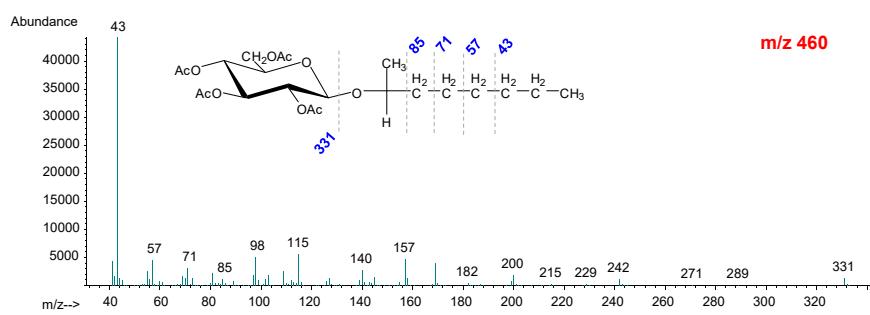
Fragmentation pattern diagnostic for related isomeric sugars



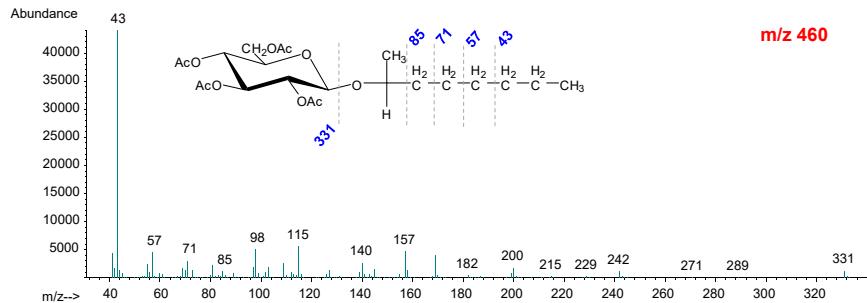
Acetylated Octylglycosides ...

an extension of the previous rules.

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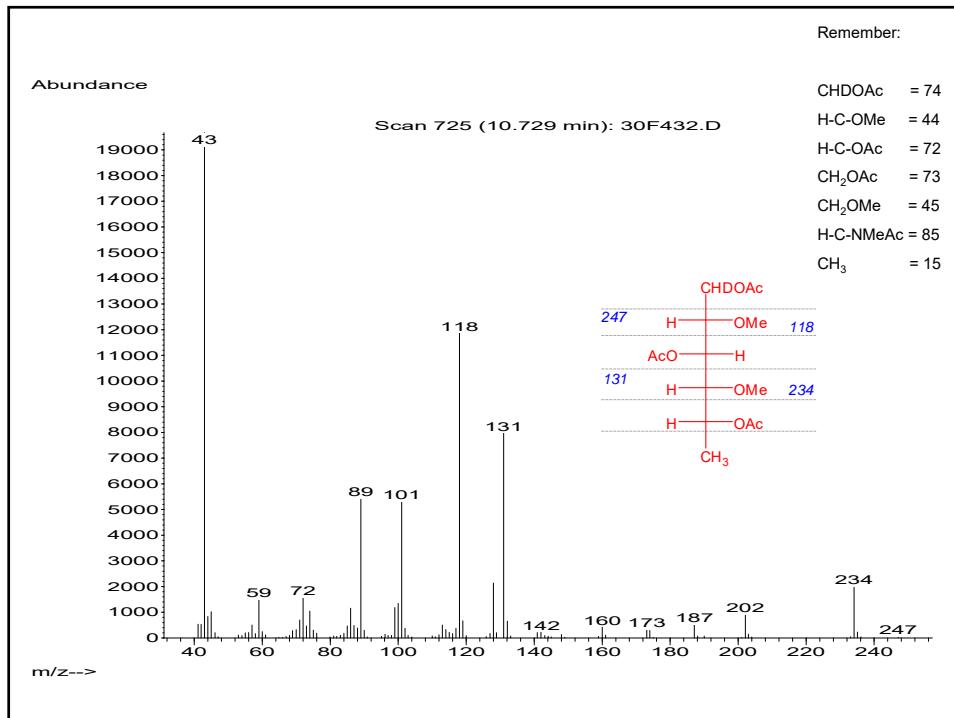
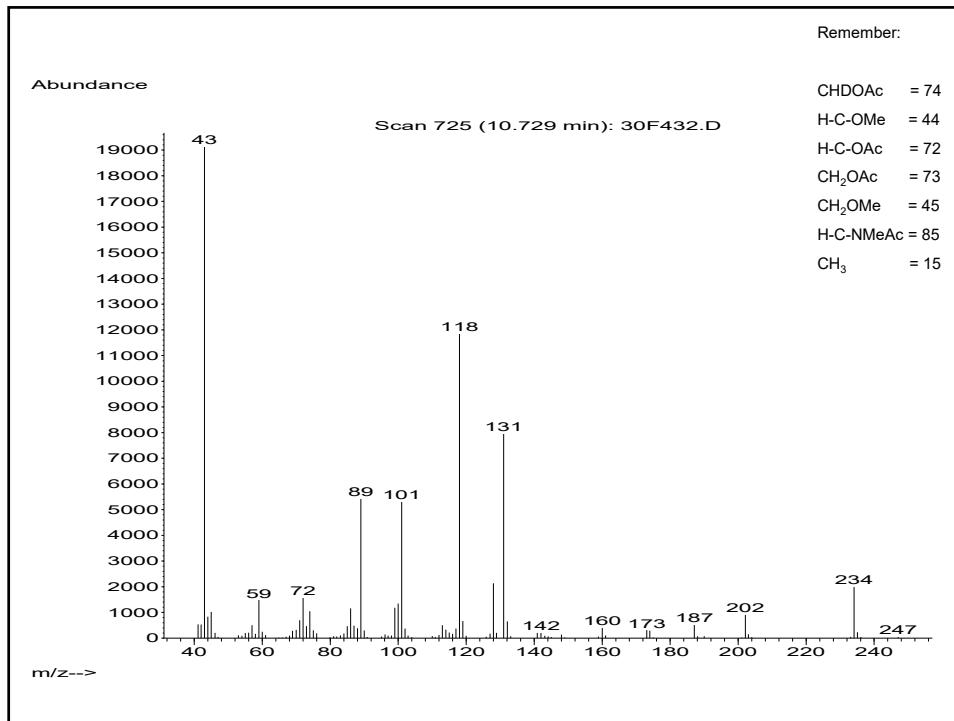
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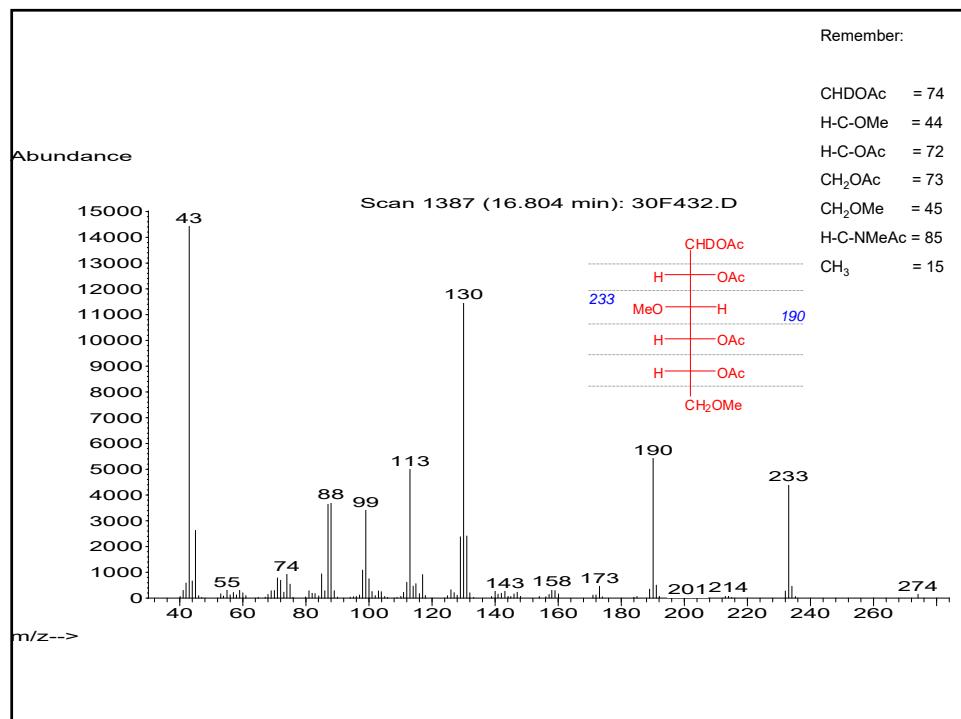
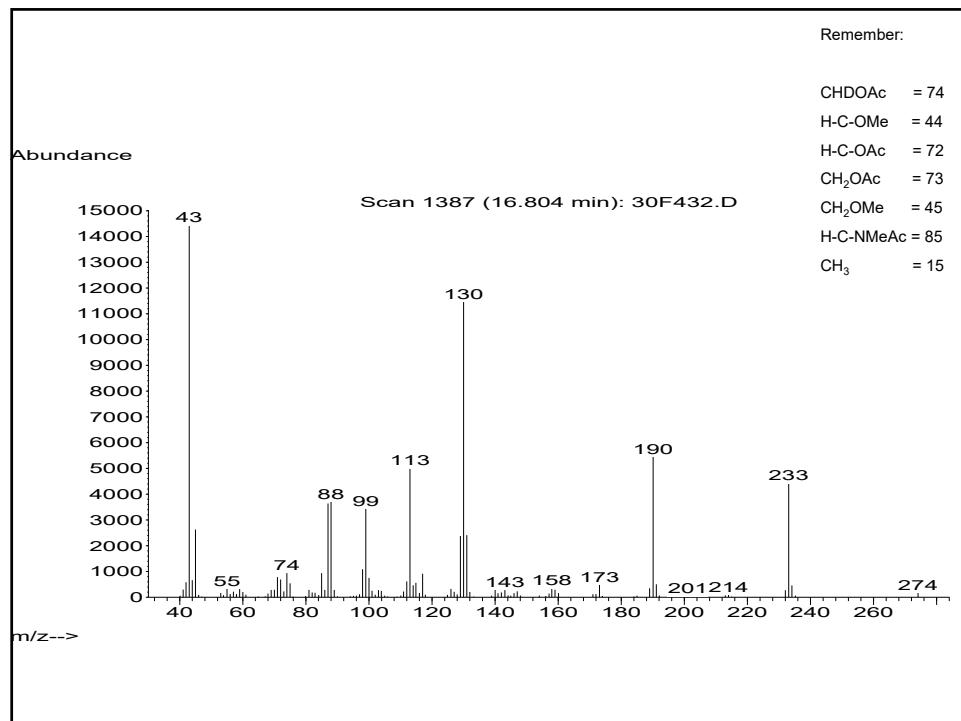


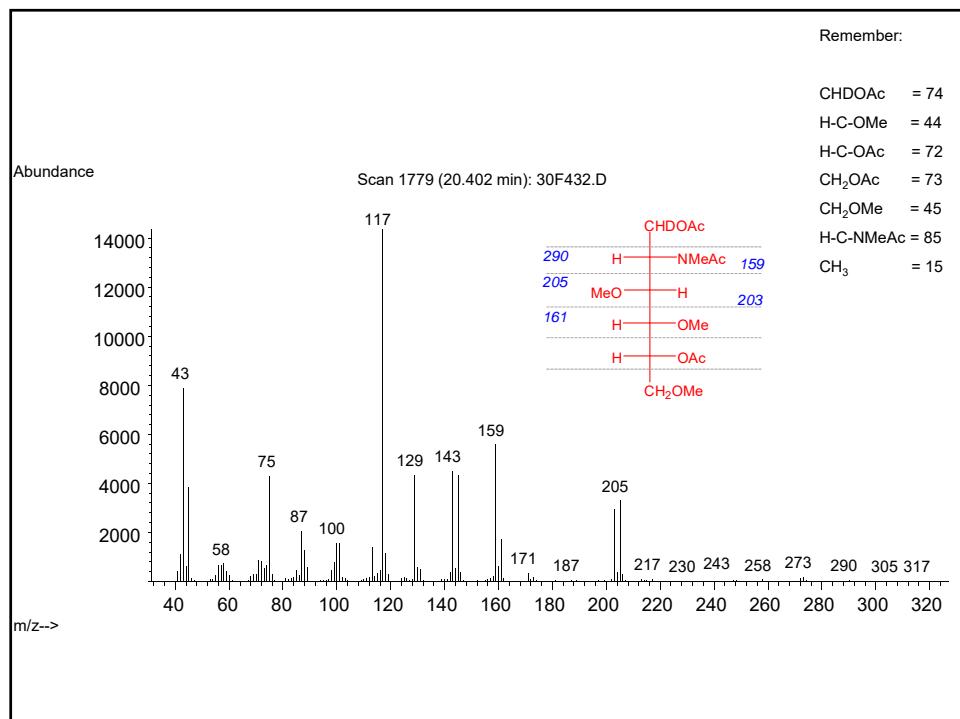
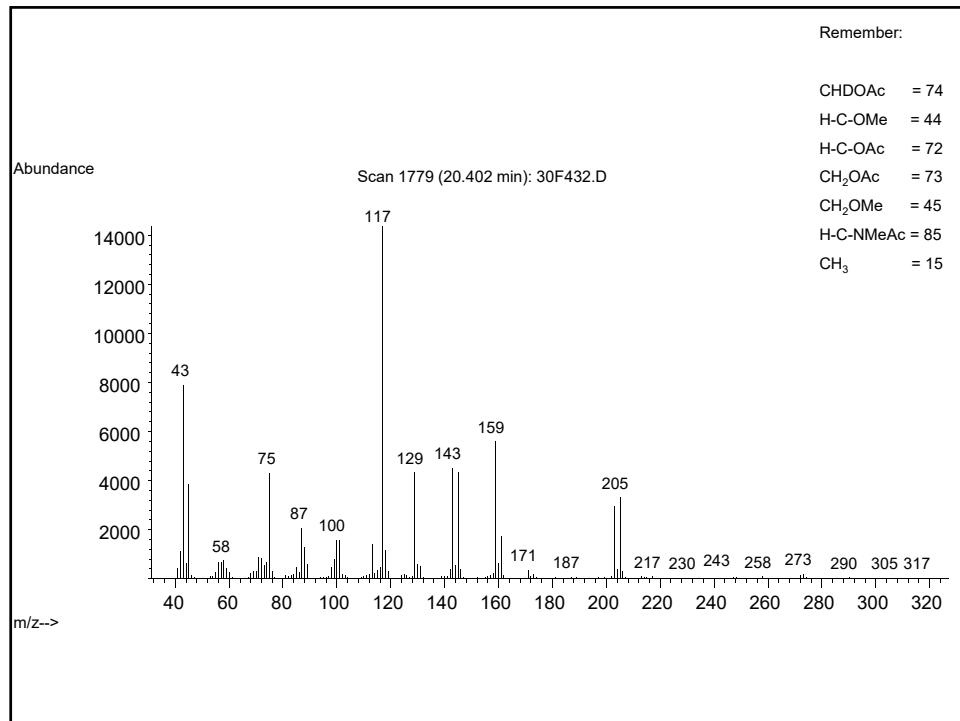
- Octyl or methylglycosides give almost the same EI-MS spectra
- Small contribute from the lipophilic tail of octanol
- Main difference among these derivatives is their column retention time

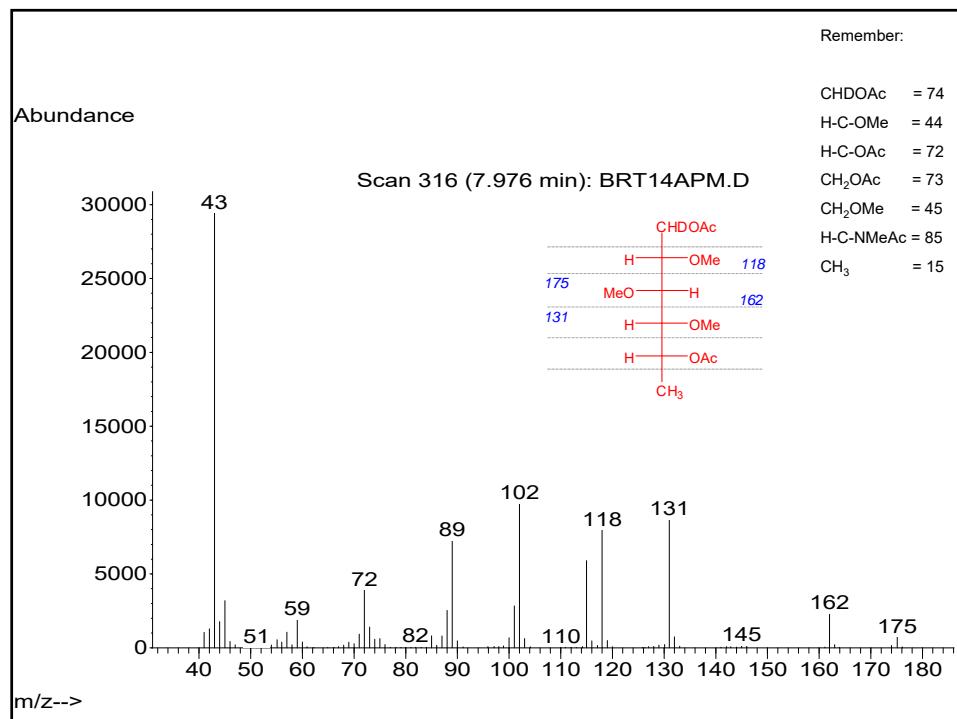
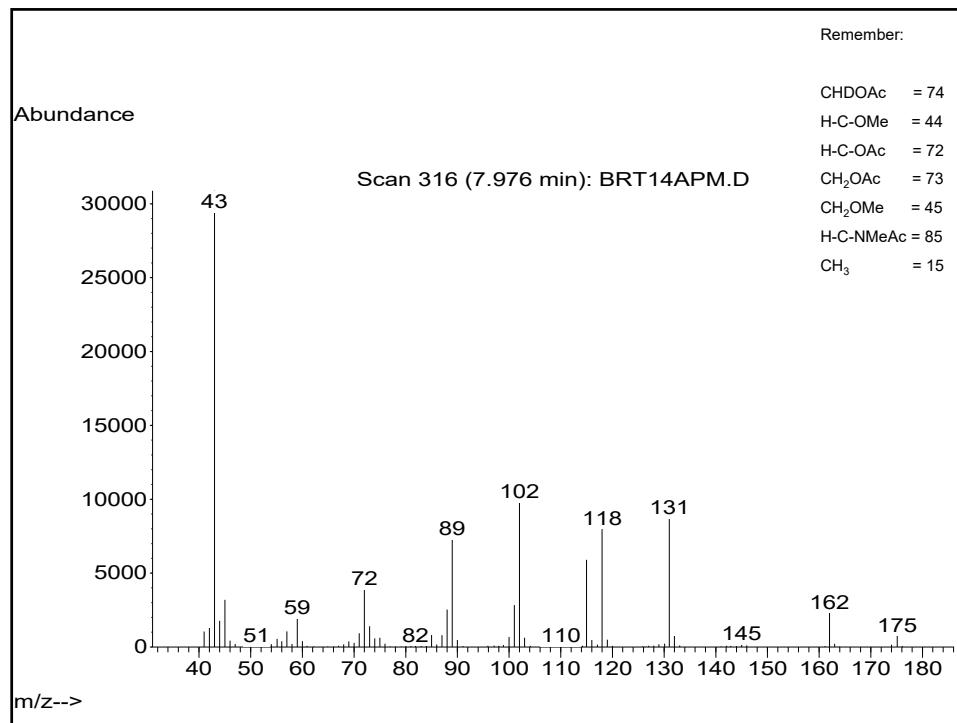
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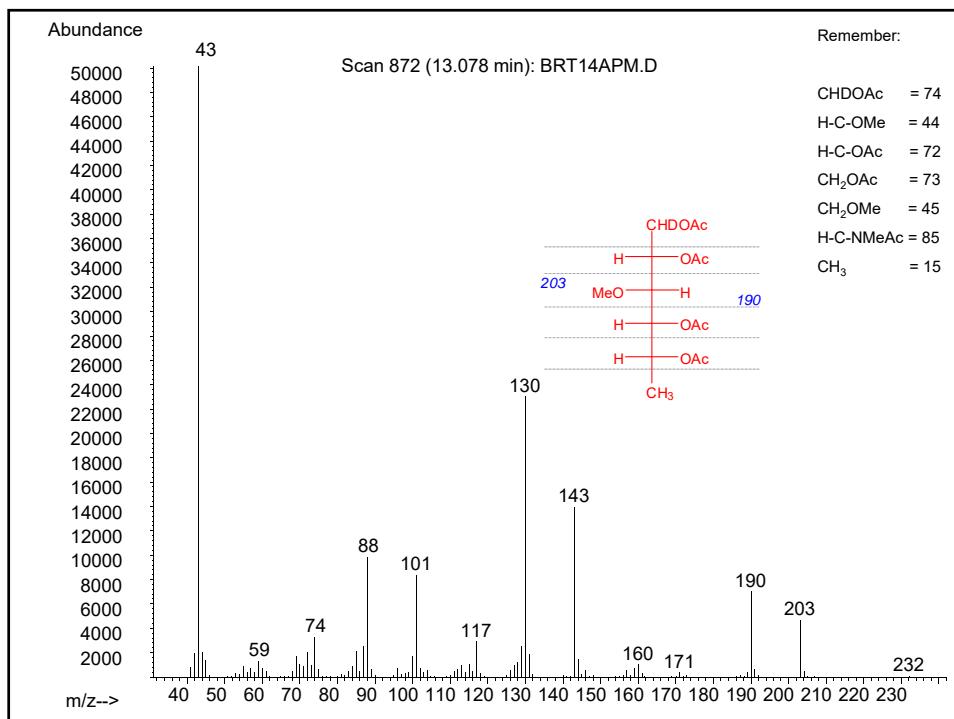
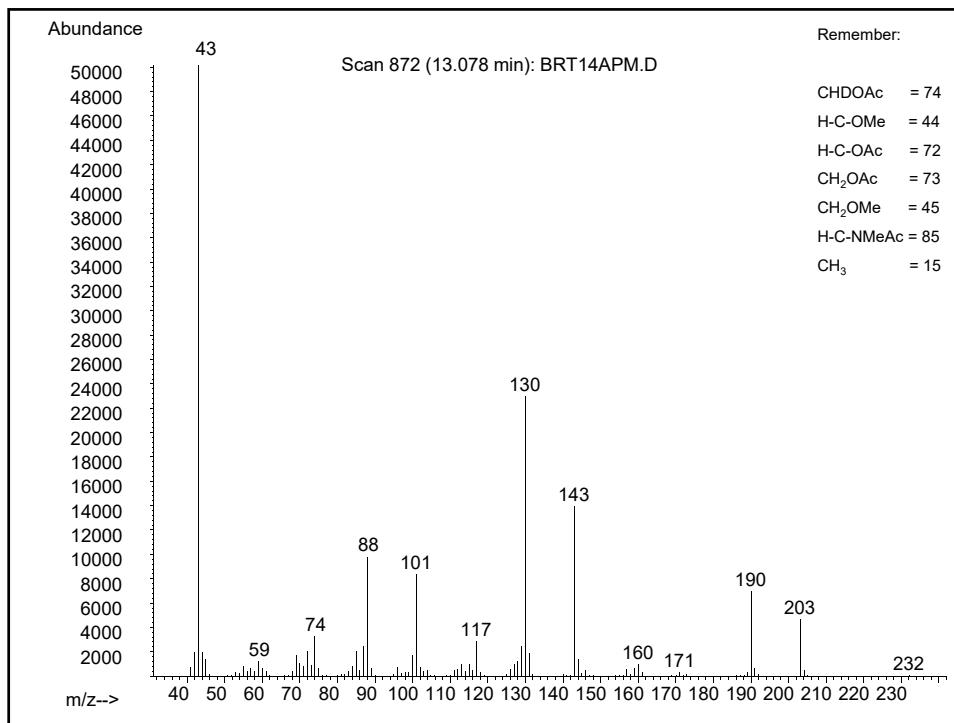
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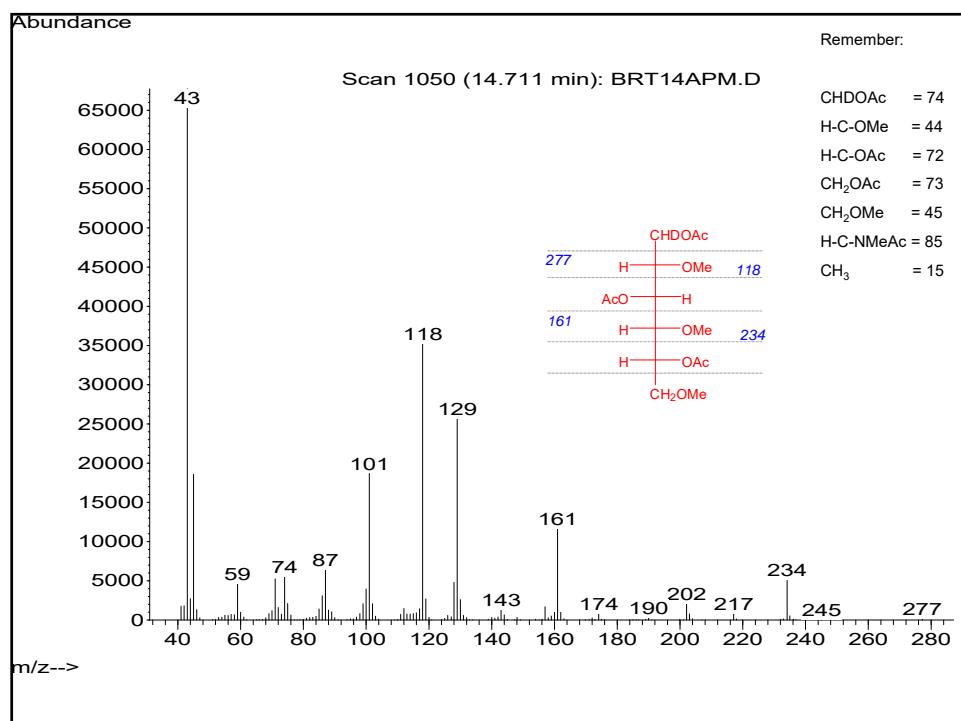
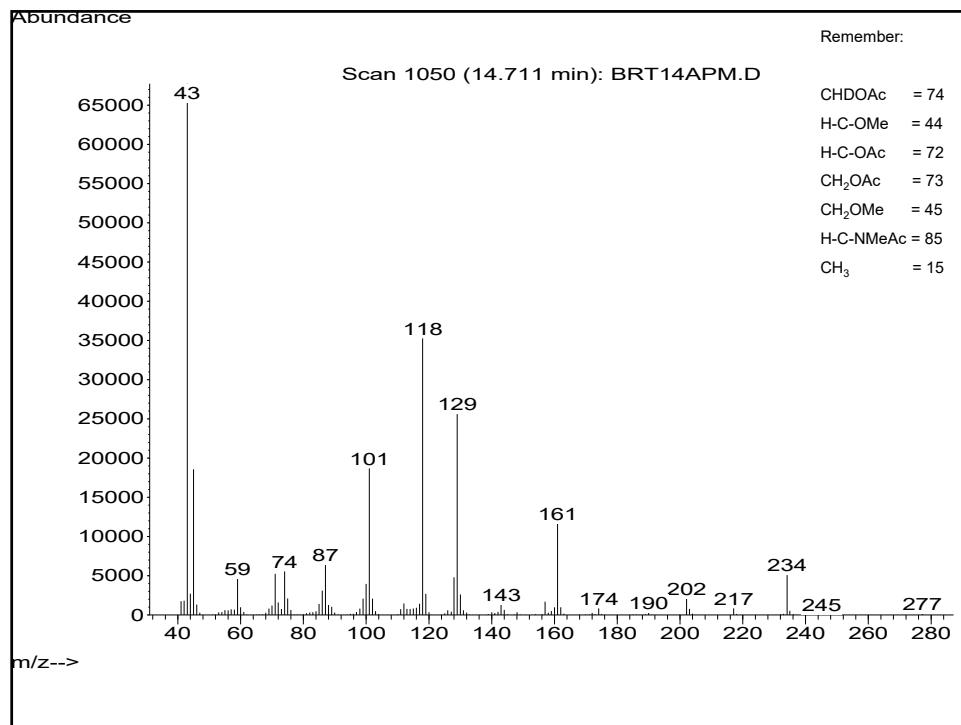


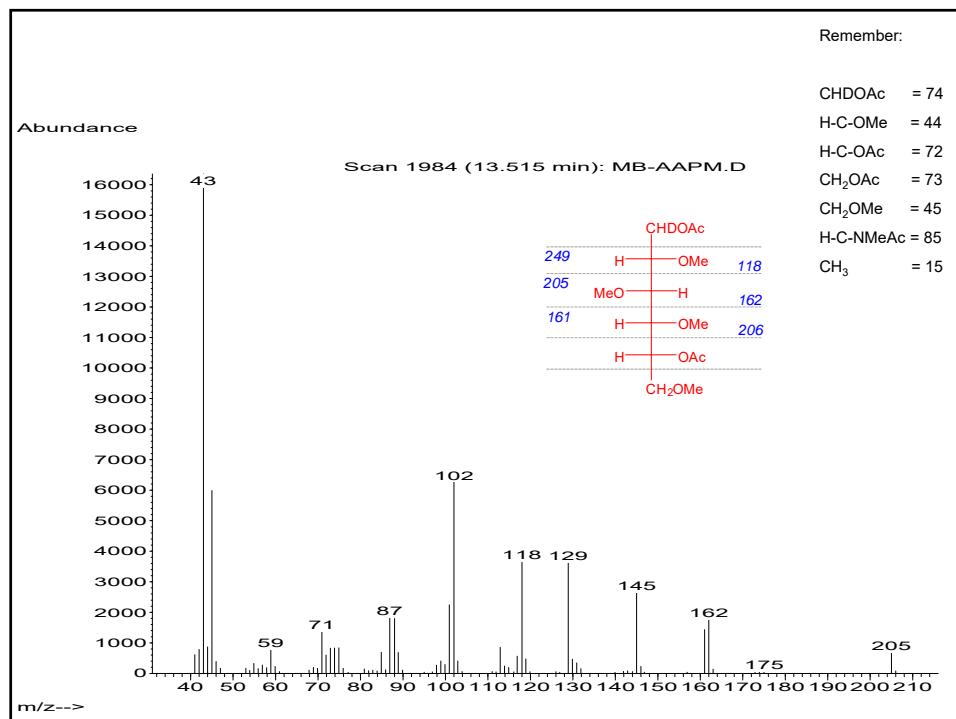
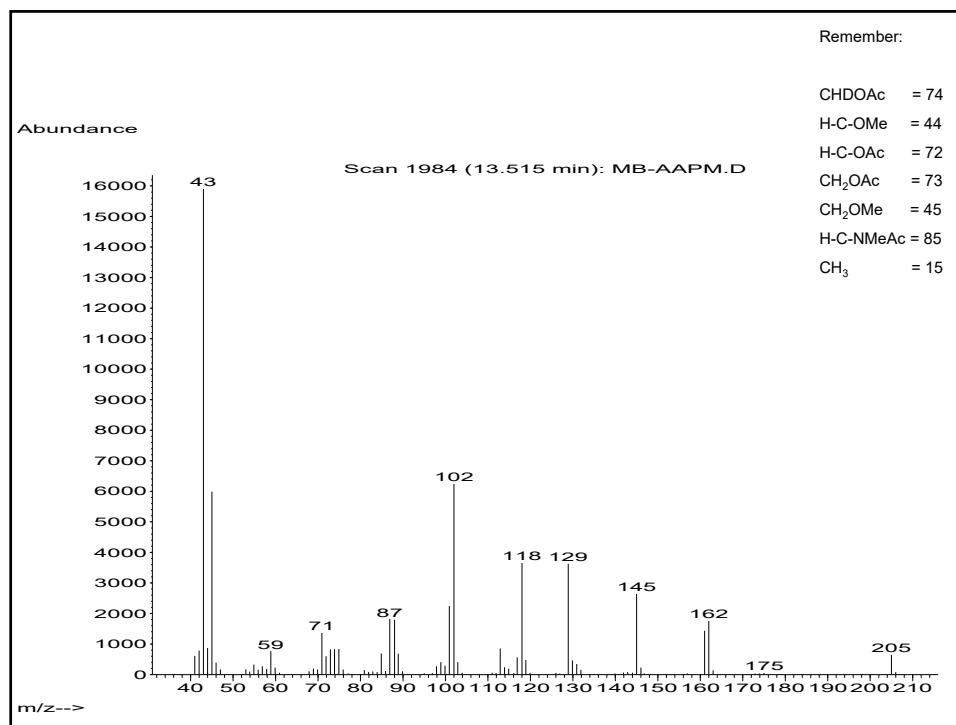


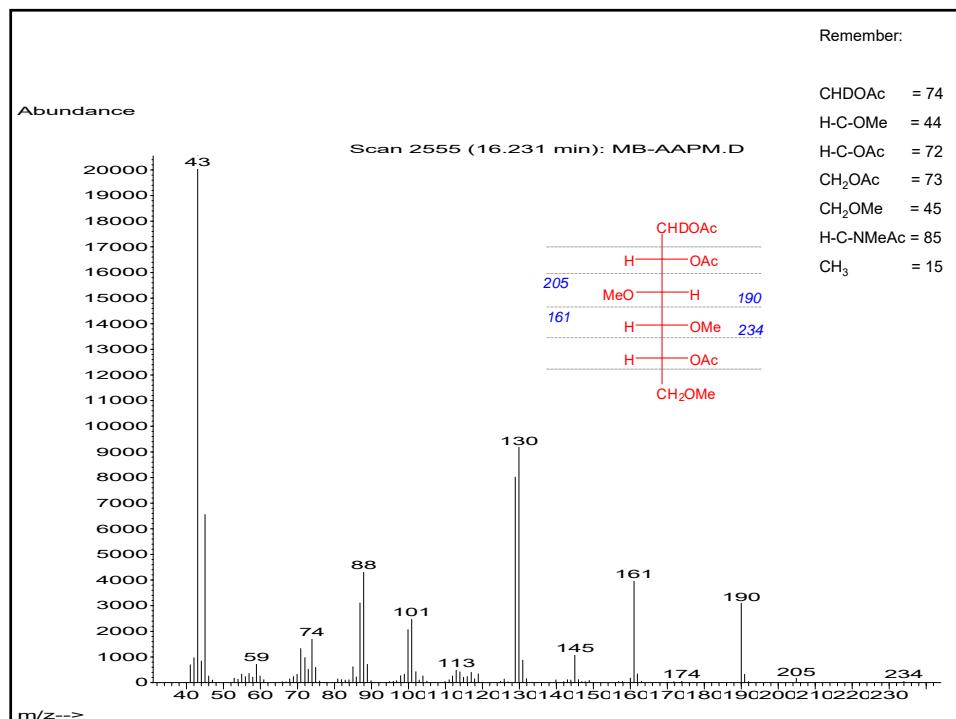
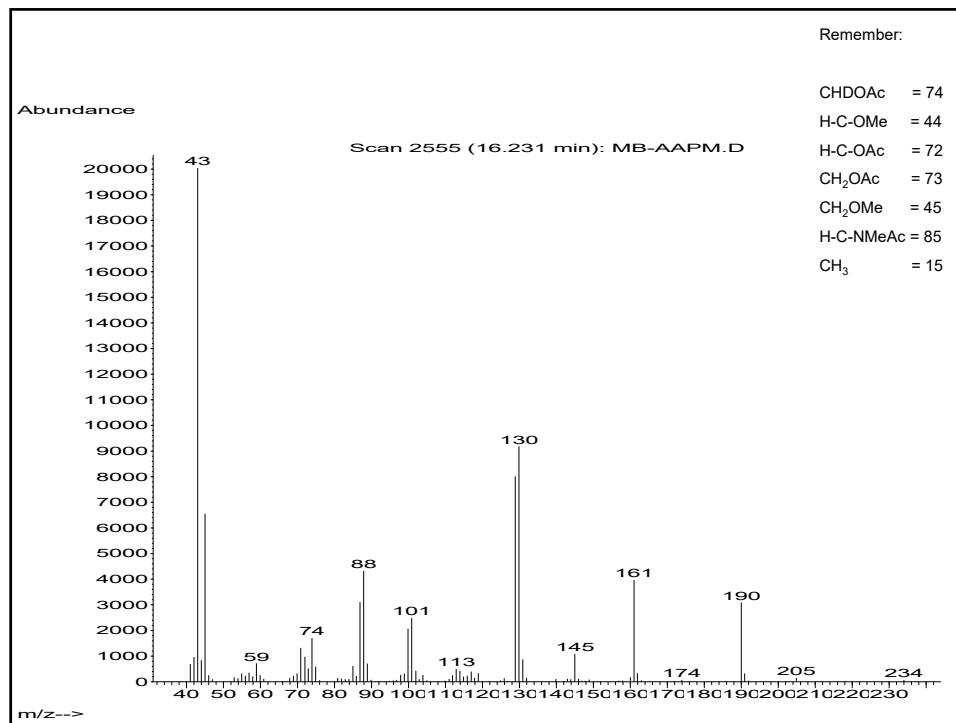


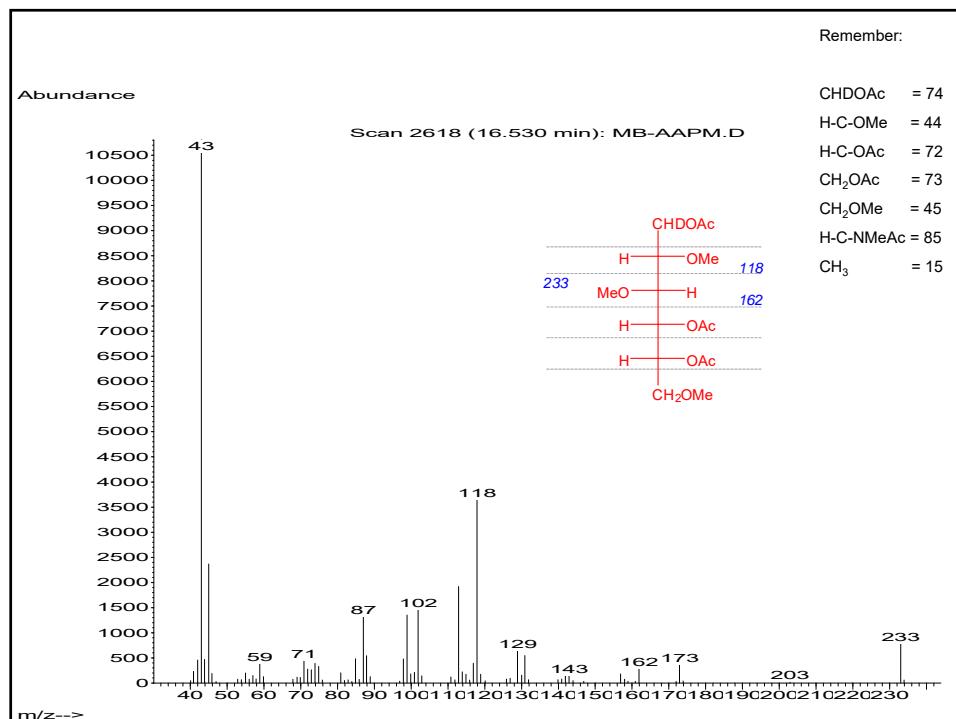
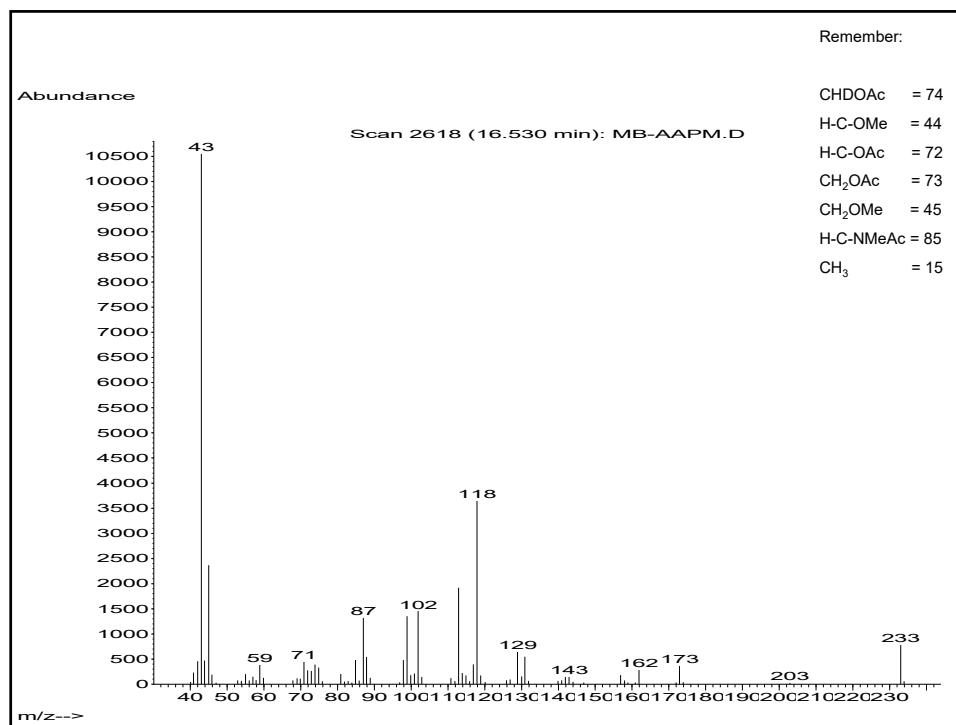


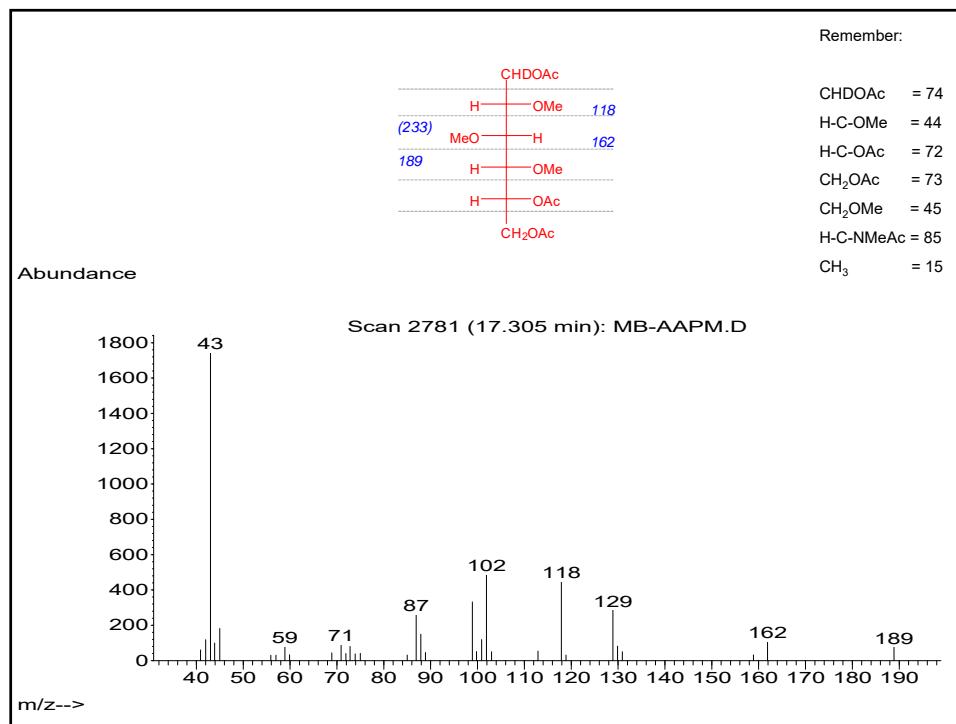
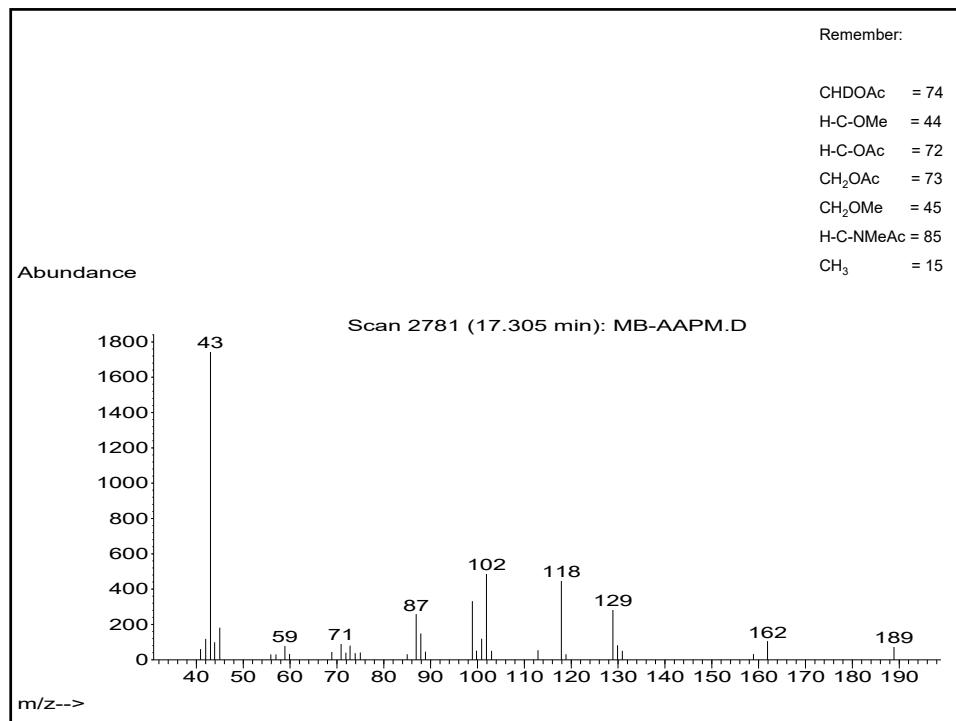


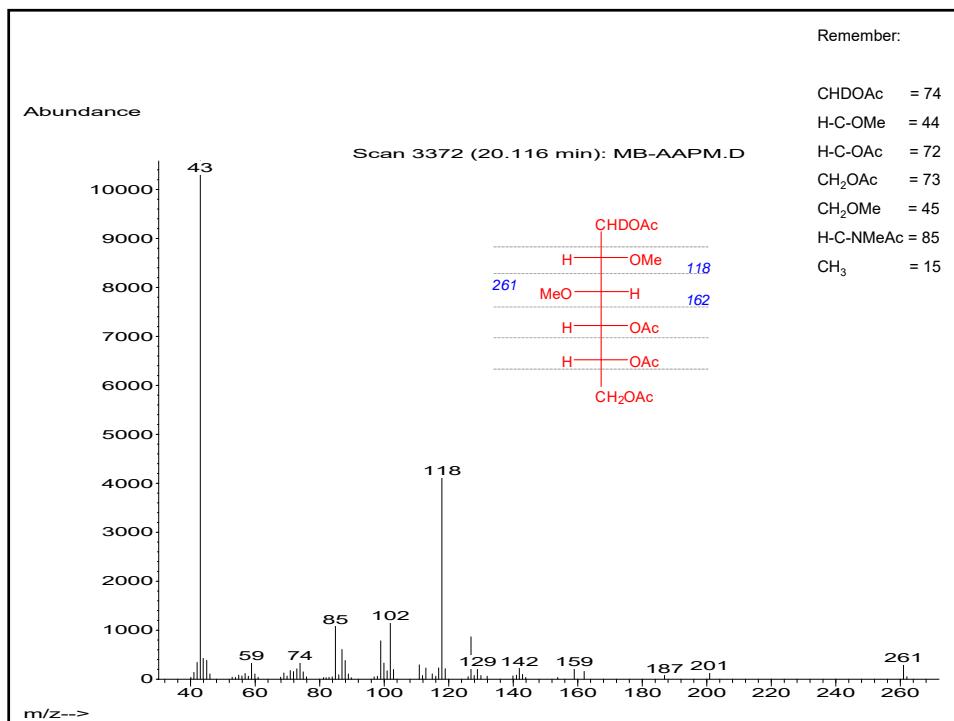
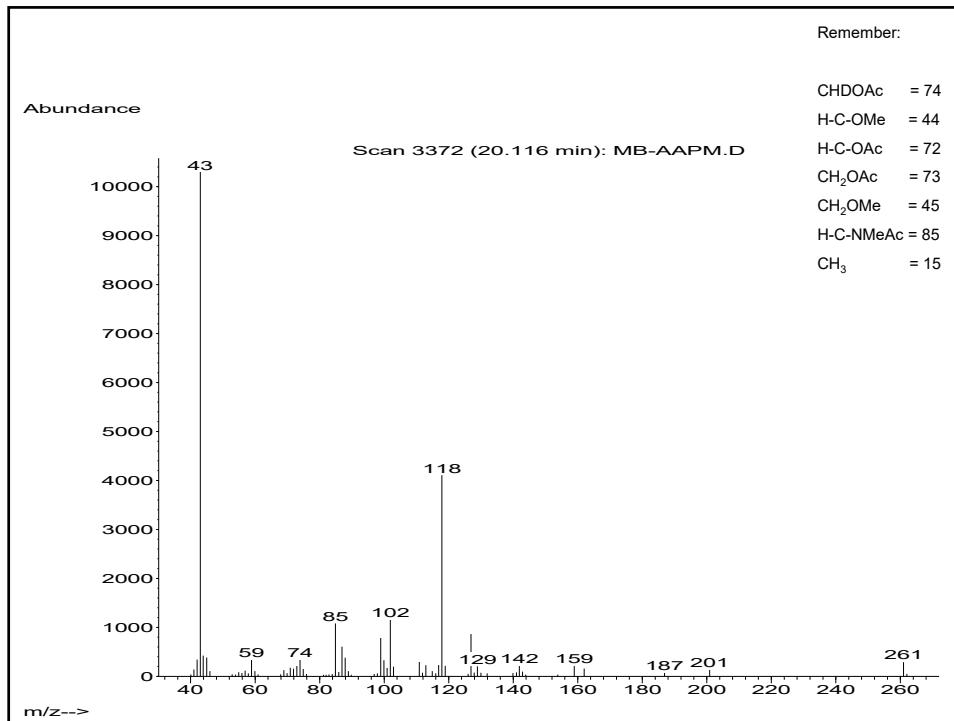






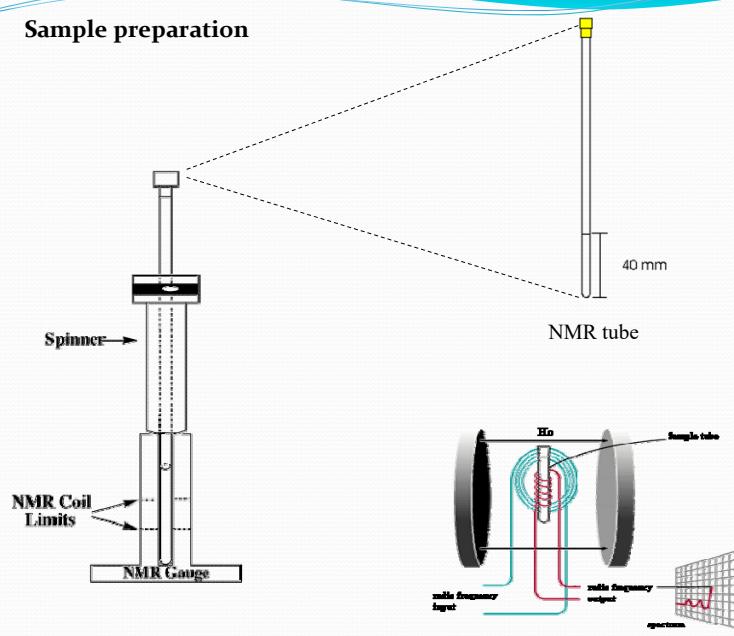


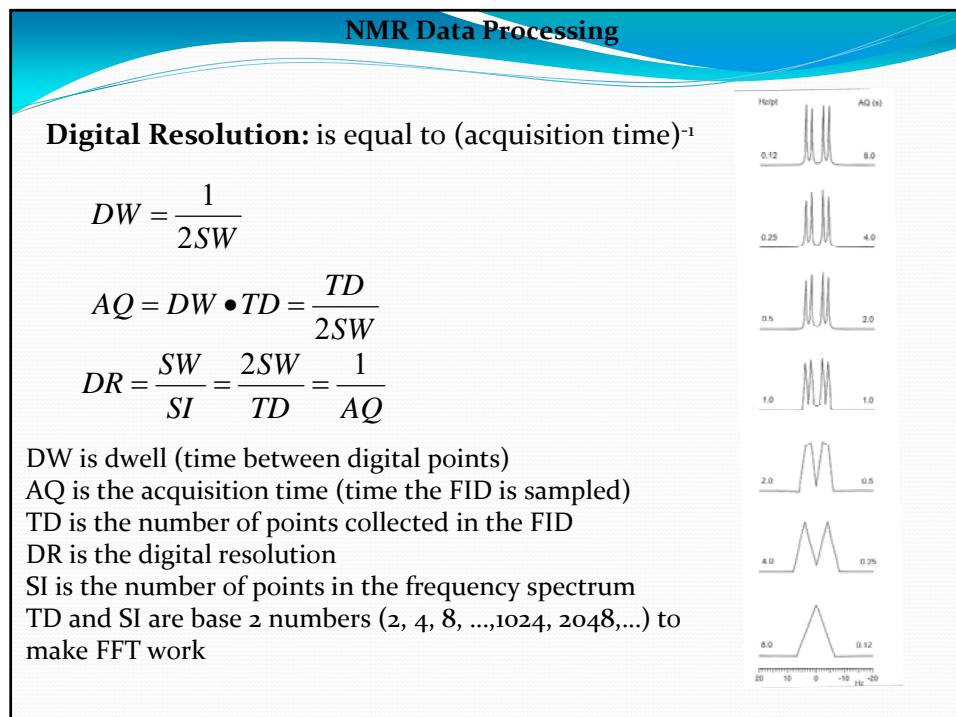
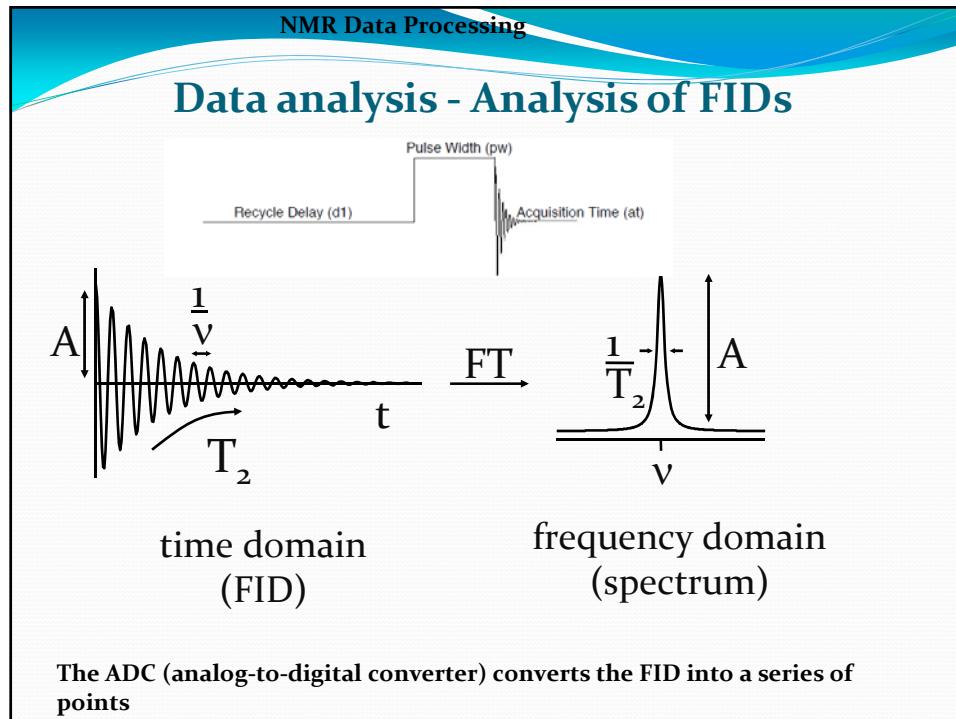


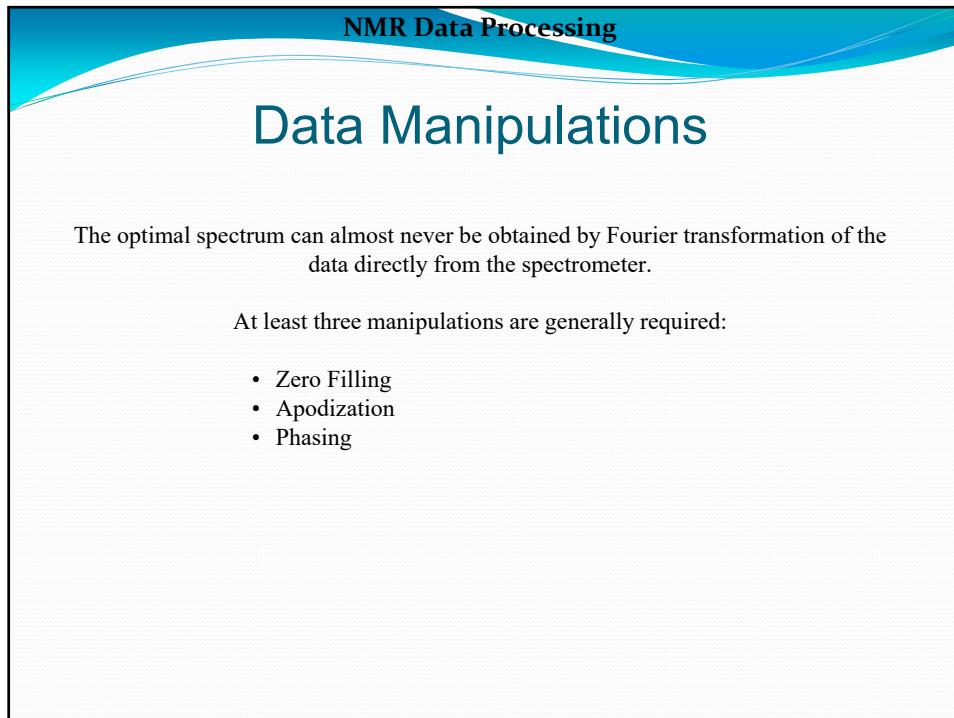
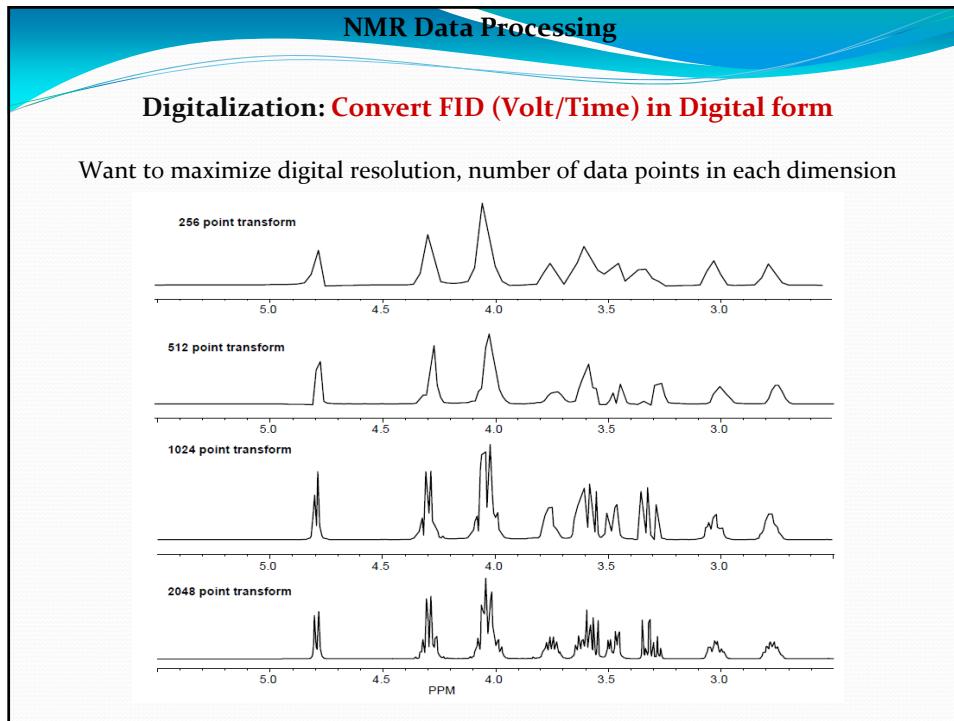


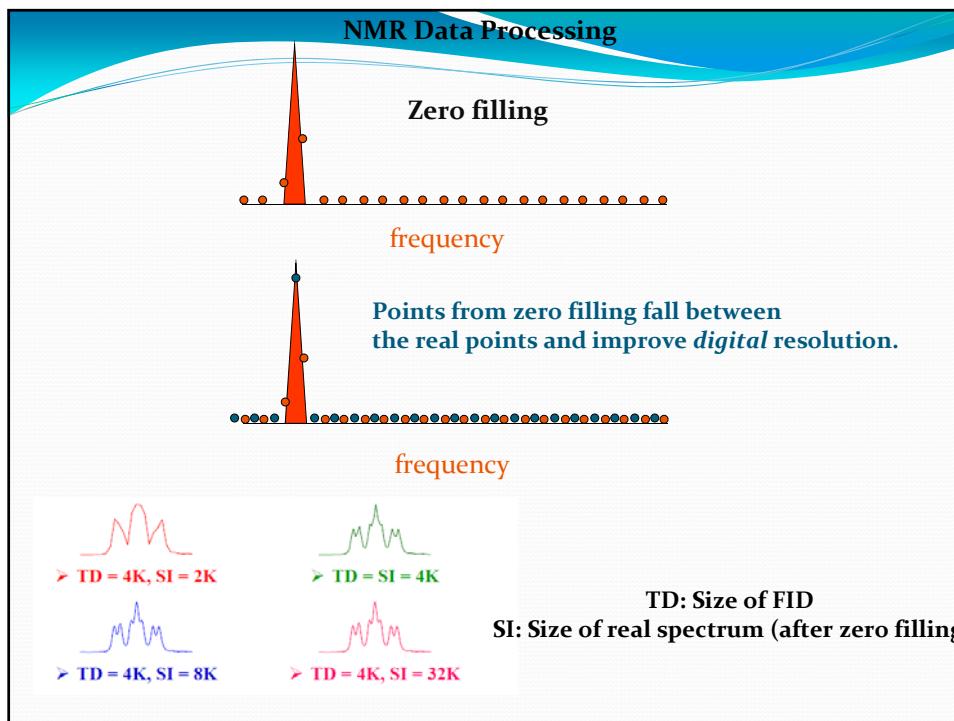
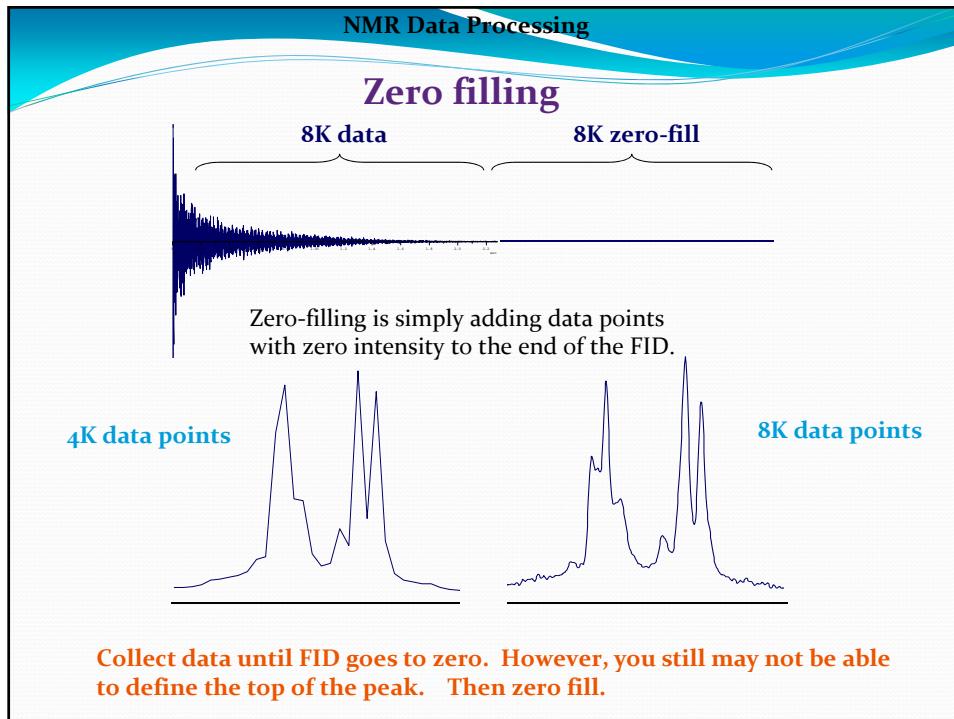
NMR spectra assignment of carbohydrate containing molecules

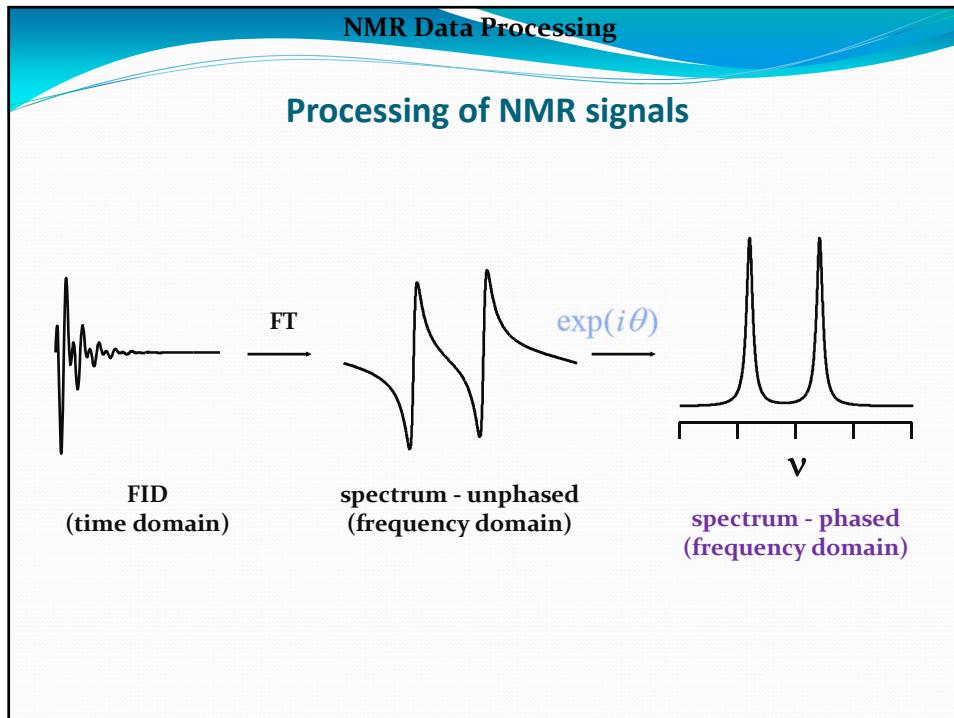
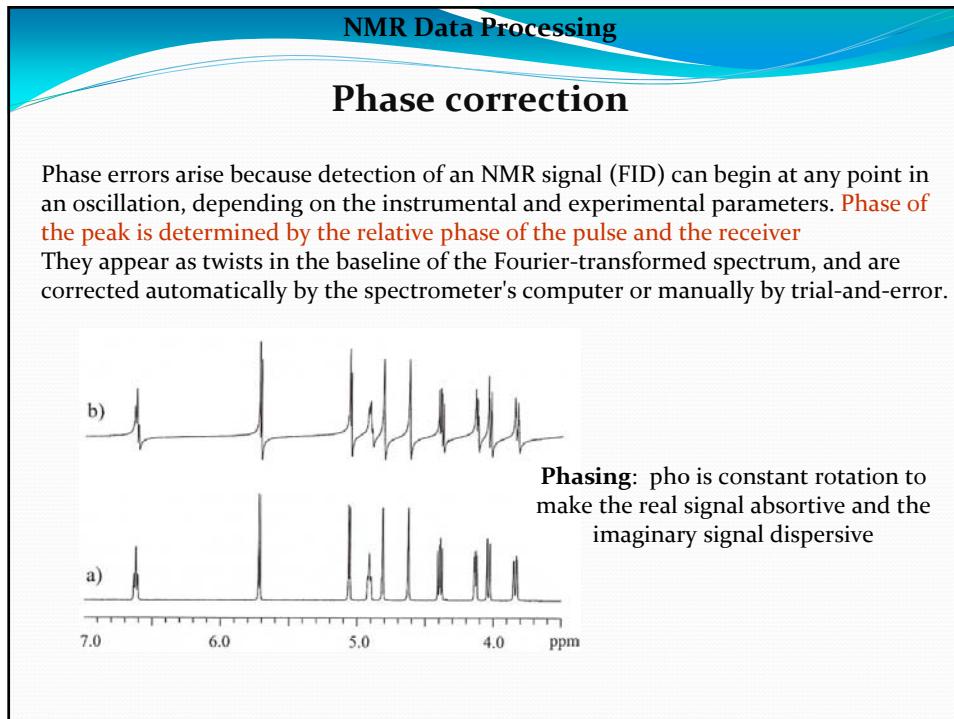
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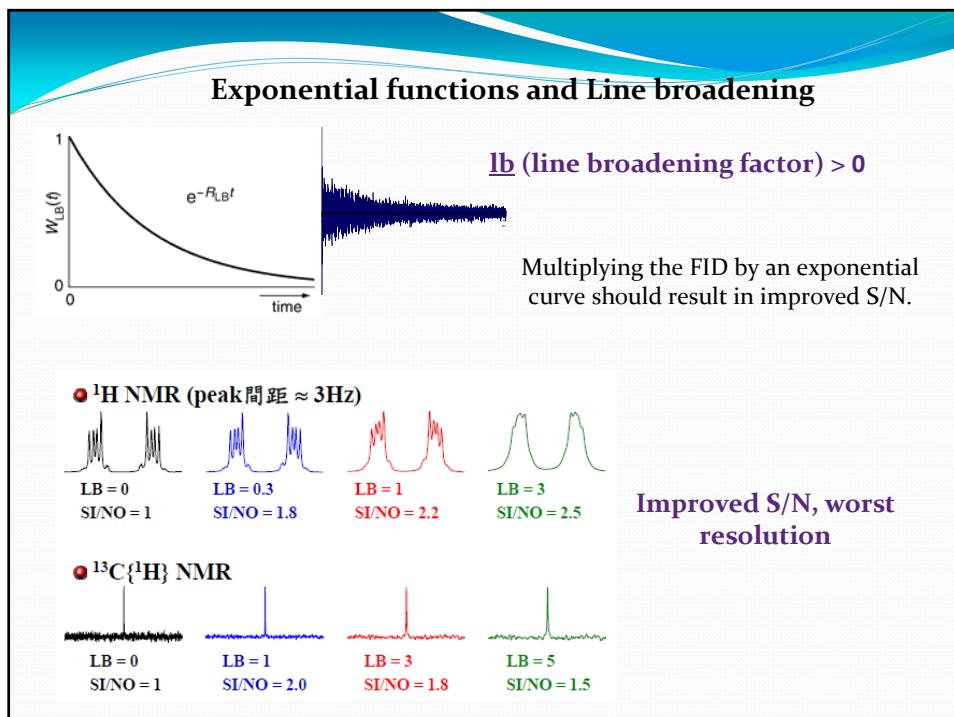
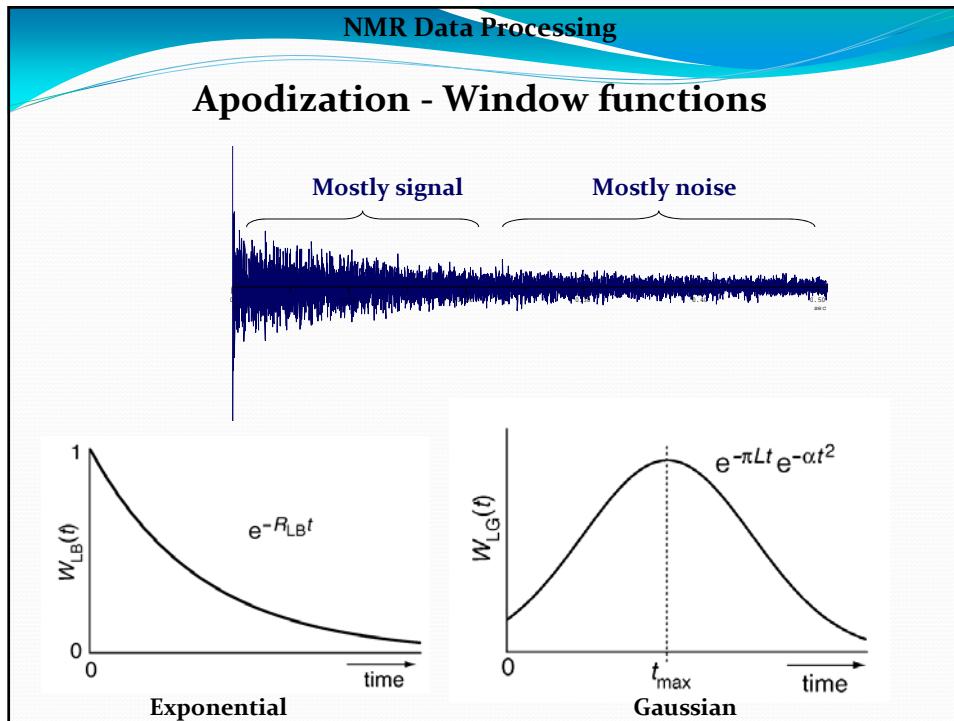


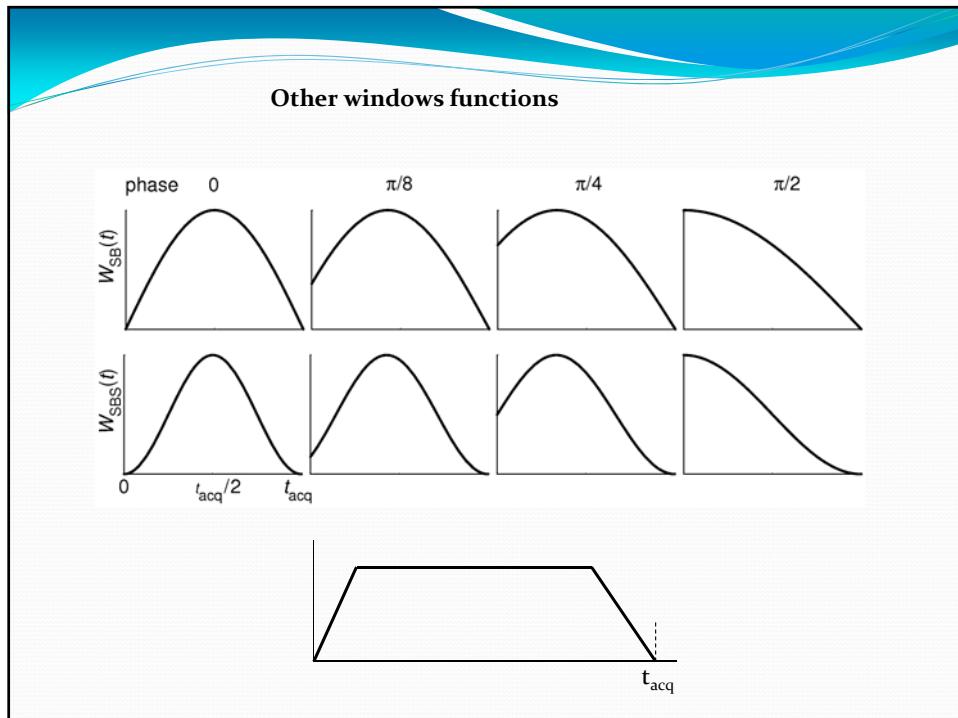
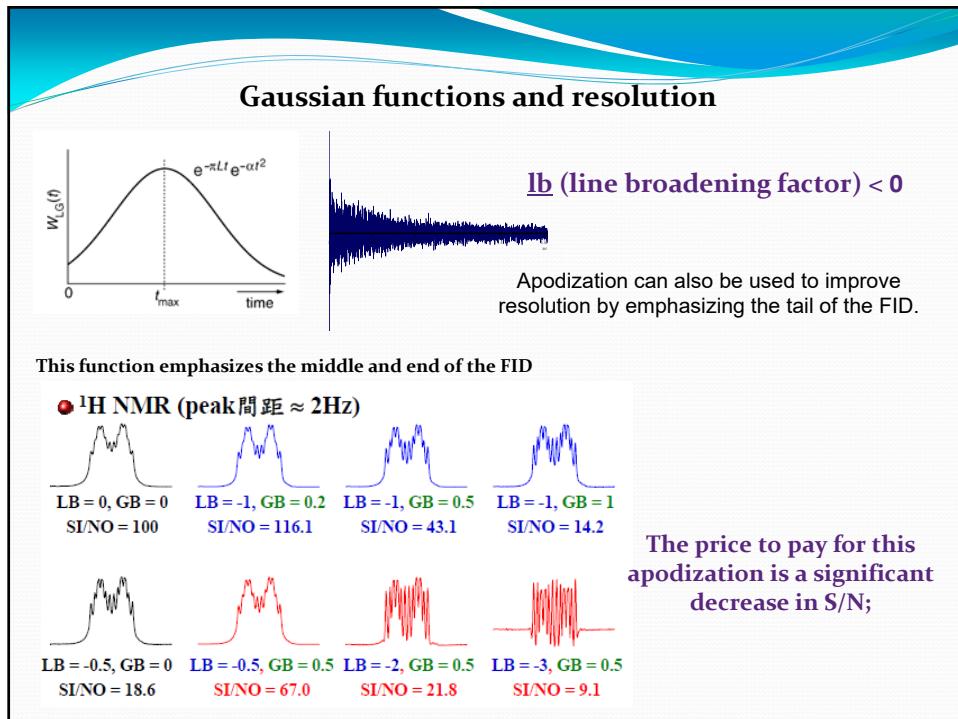










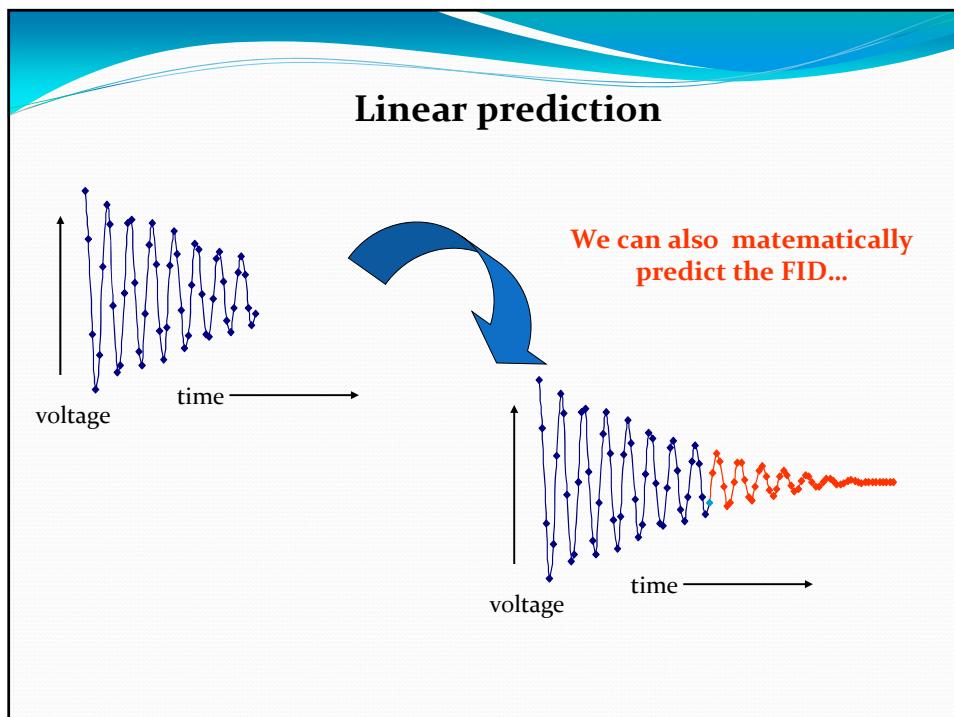


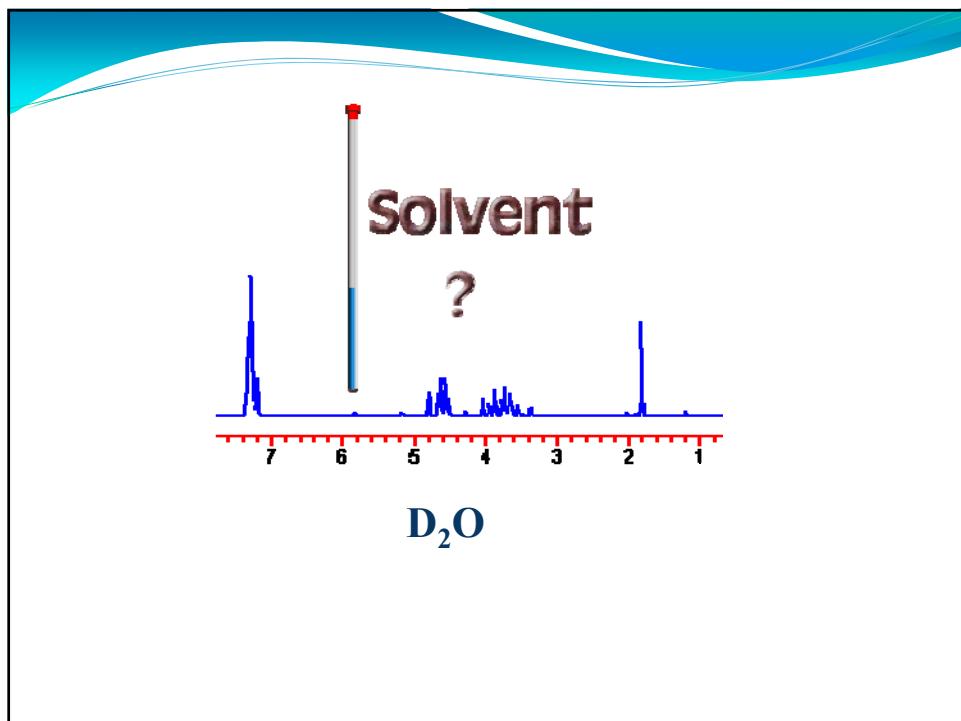
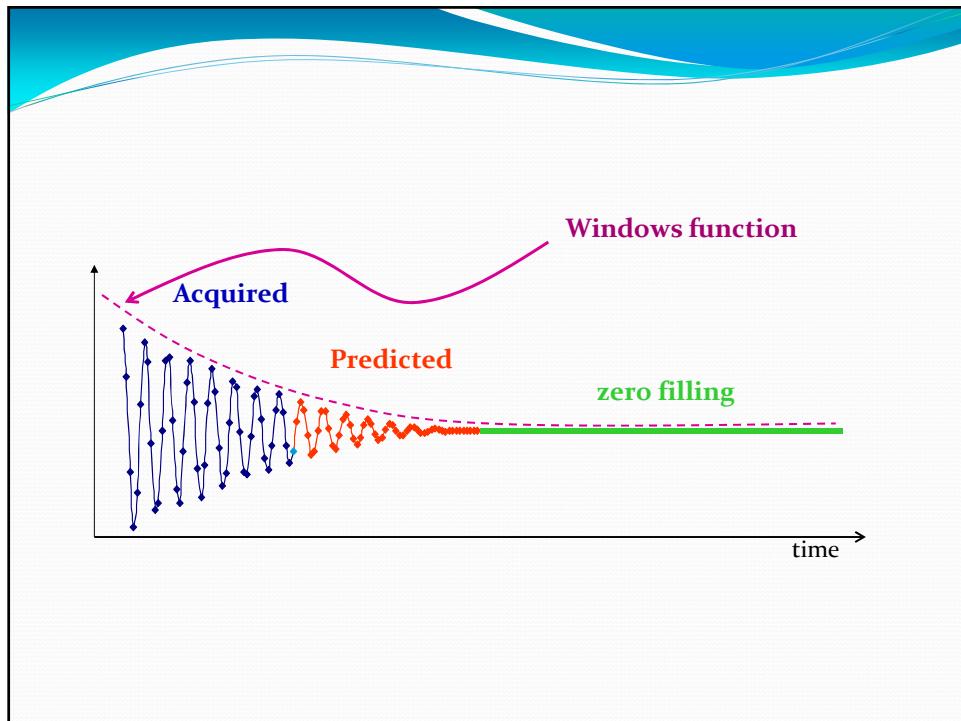
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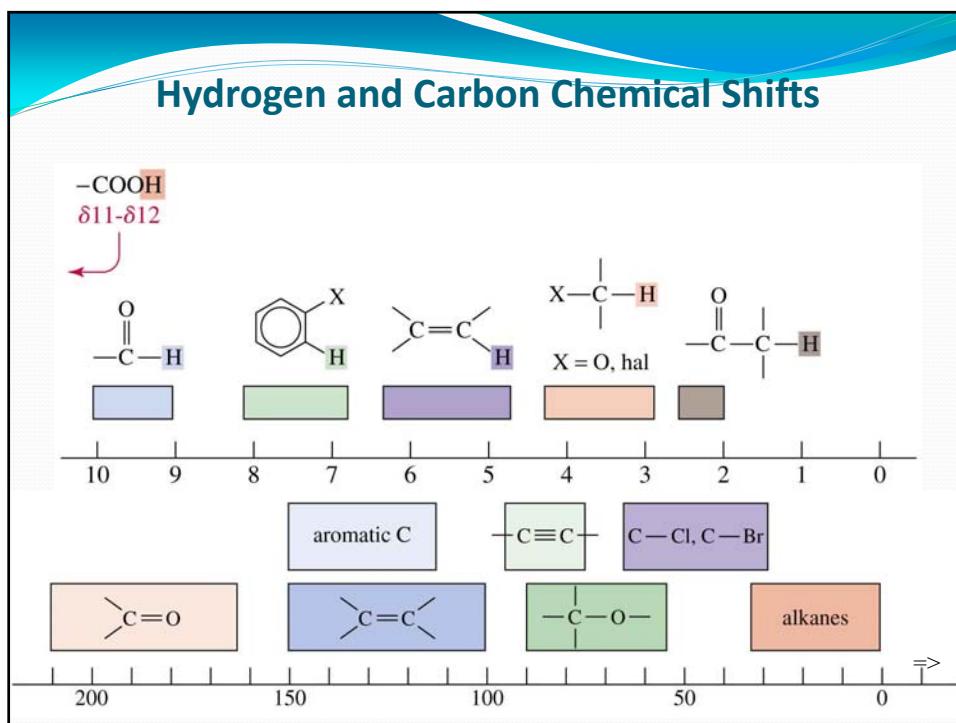
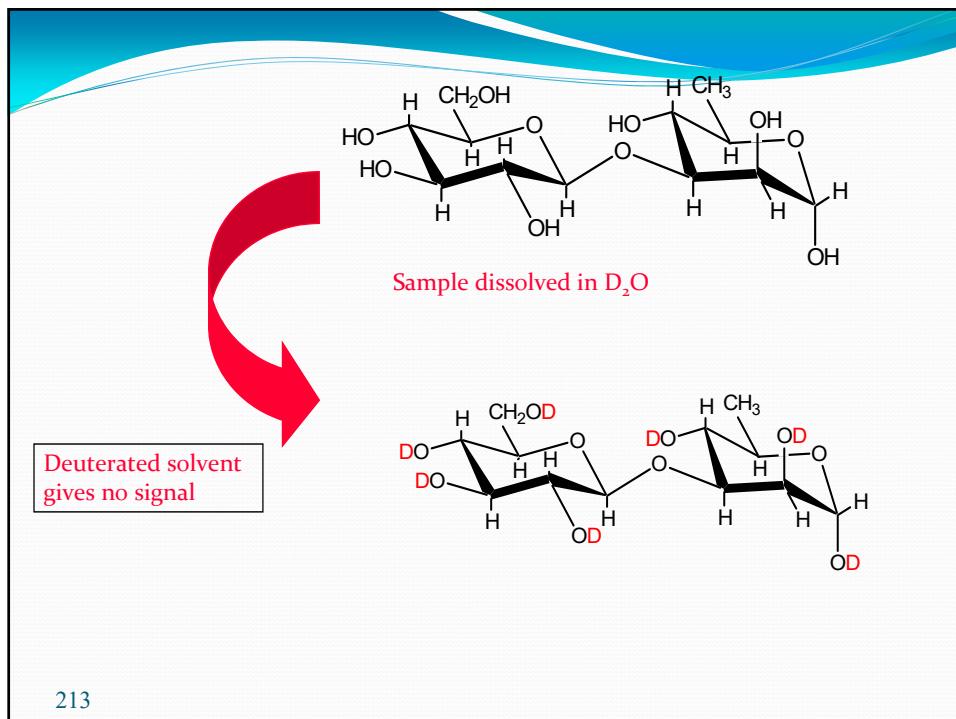
- em: Exponential window multiplication of the FID
- gm: Gaussian window multiplication of the FID
- pk: Phase correction according to PHC0/PHC1
- ft: Fourier transform

● 組合指令

➤ <u>em</u> + <u>ft</u> = <u>ef</u>	➤ <u>em</u> + <u>ft</u> + <u>pk</u> = <u>efp</u>
➤ <u>gm</u> + <u>ft</u> = <u>gf</u>	➤ <u>gm</u> + <u>ft</u> + <u>pk</u> = <u>gfp</u>
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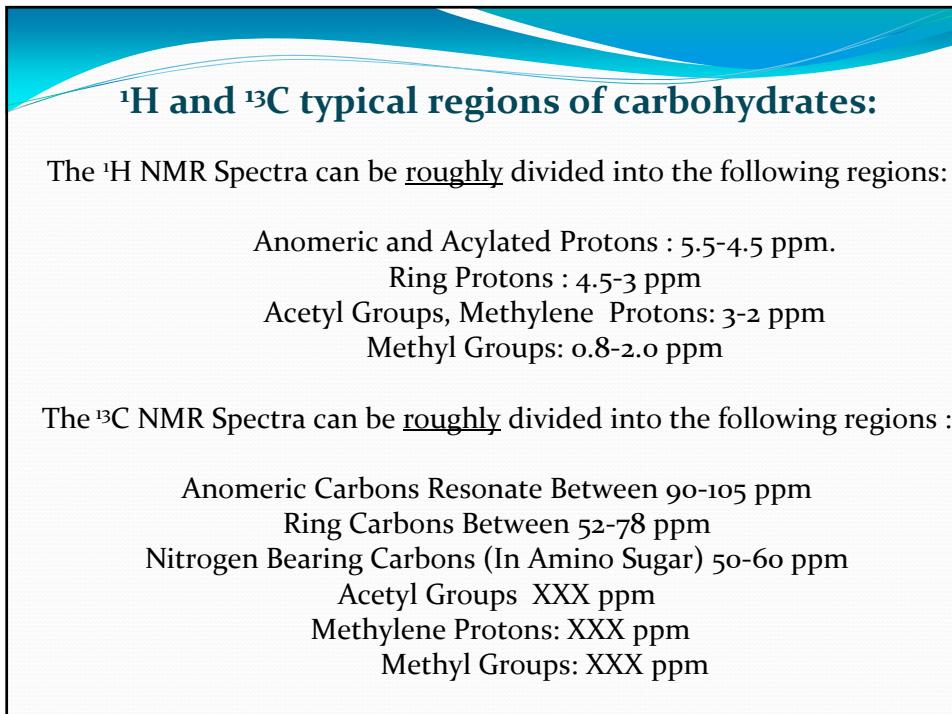
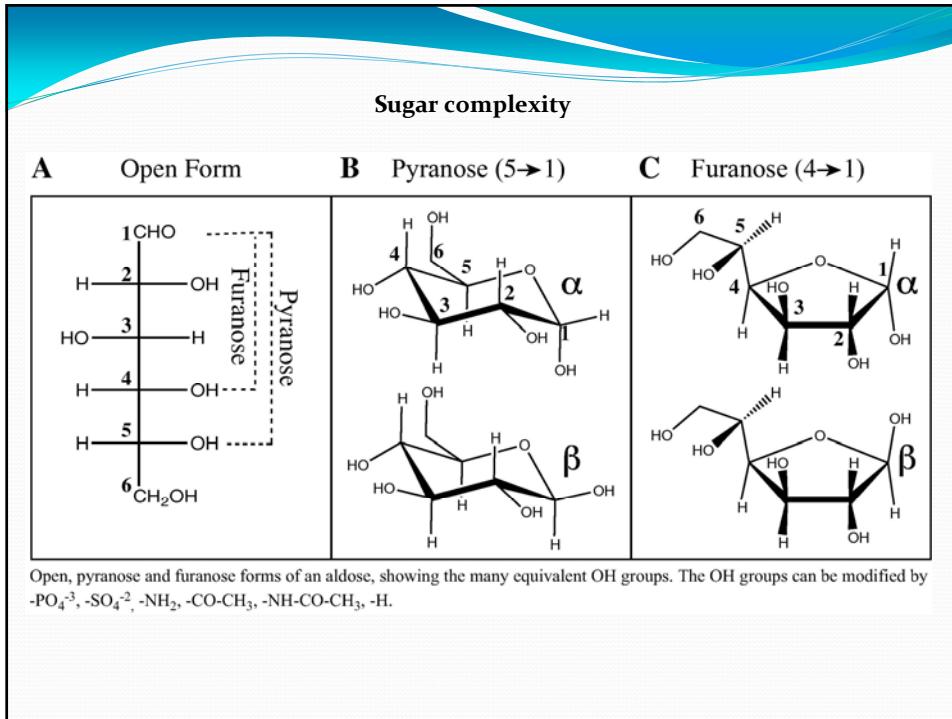
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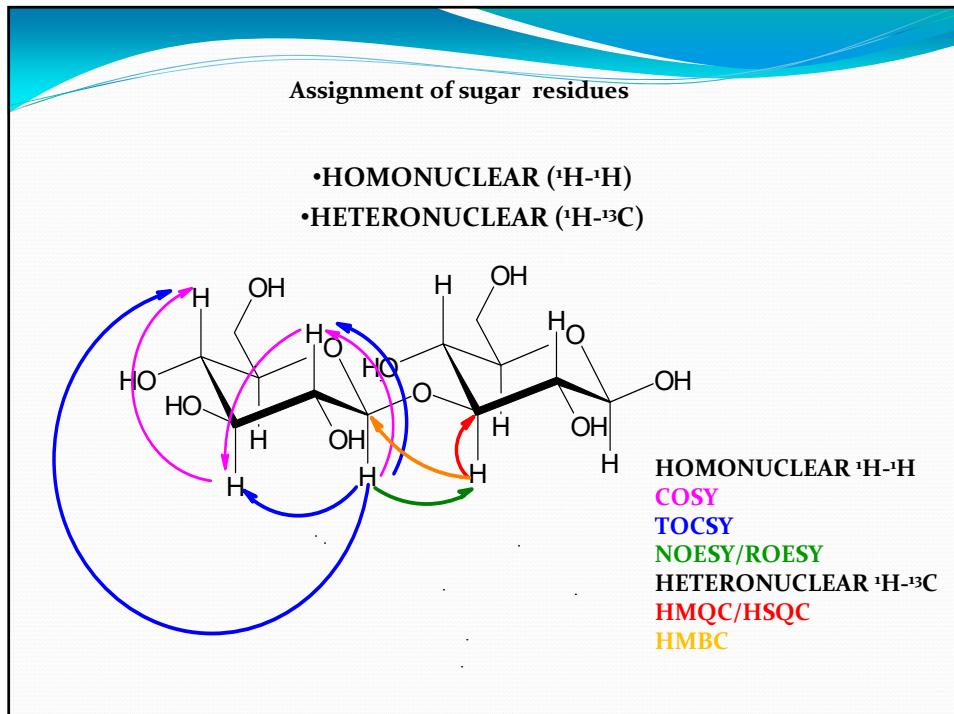
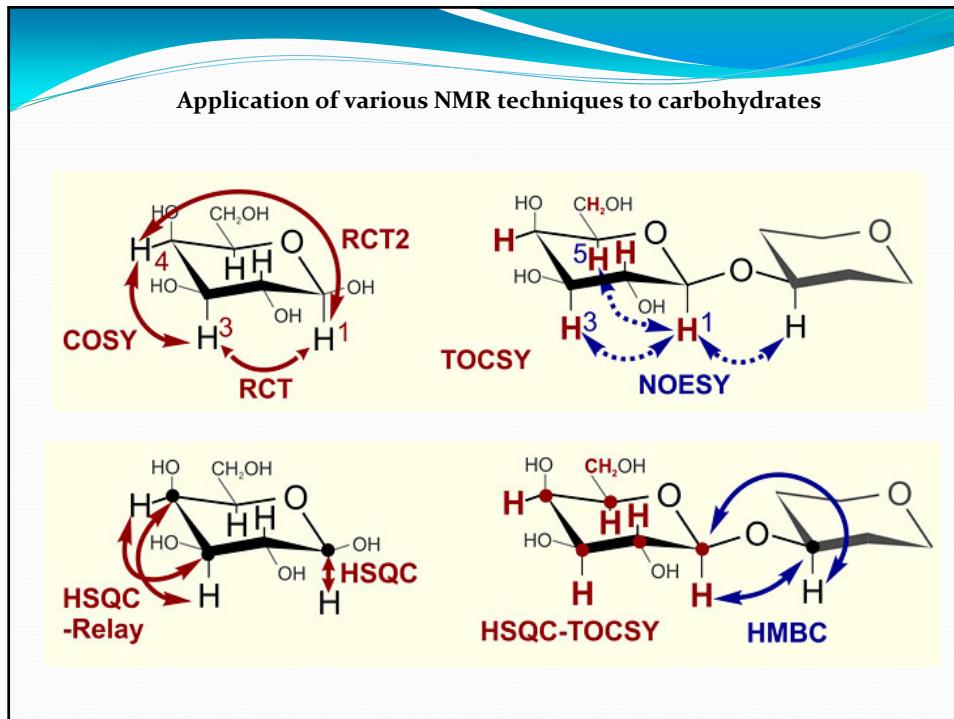
2. **Coupling constant (J) → Hz**
Structural and
Conformational information
3. **Area of peaks**
Relative proportion of nuclei
4. **Distance between nuclei**
Information is contained in relaxation and
NOE
5. **Molecular Motion**
Information is contained in relaxation, NOE
and Variable Temperature

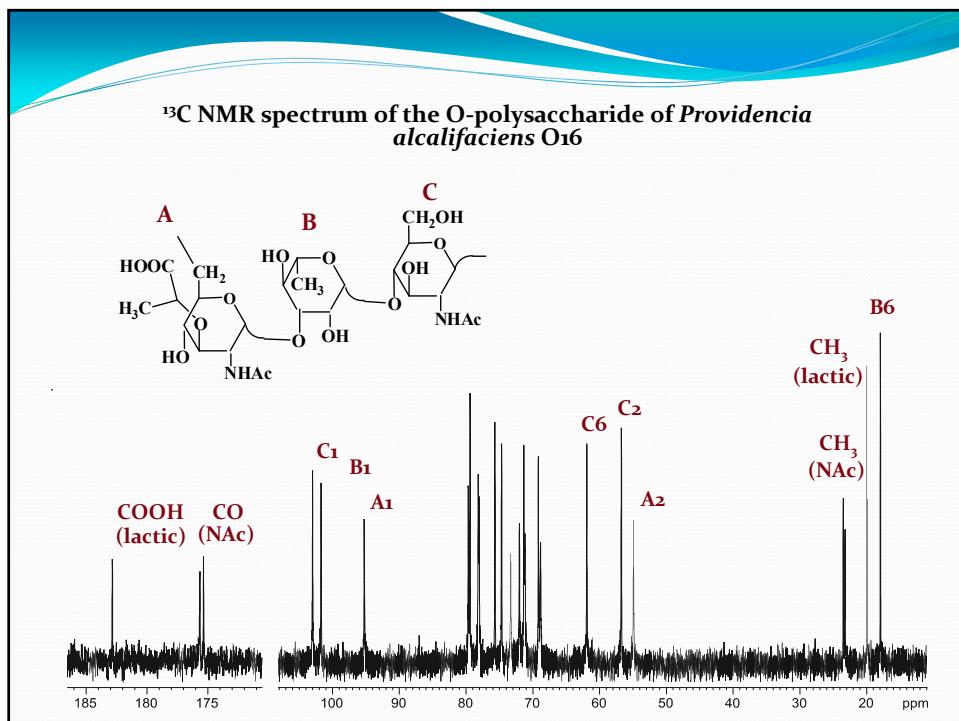
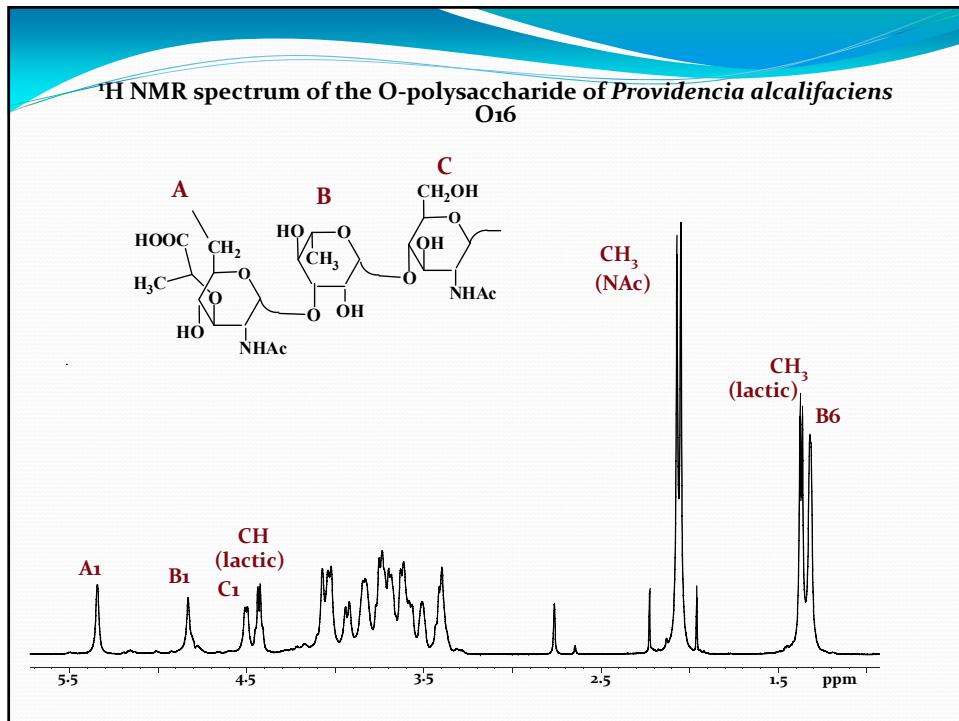
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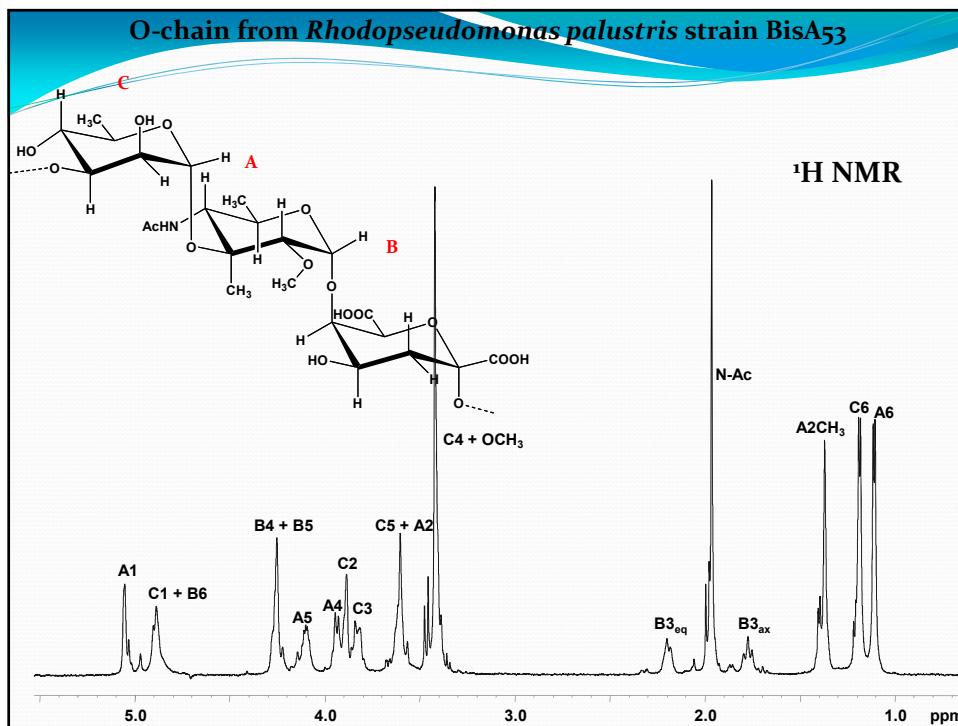
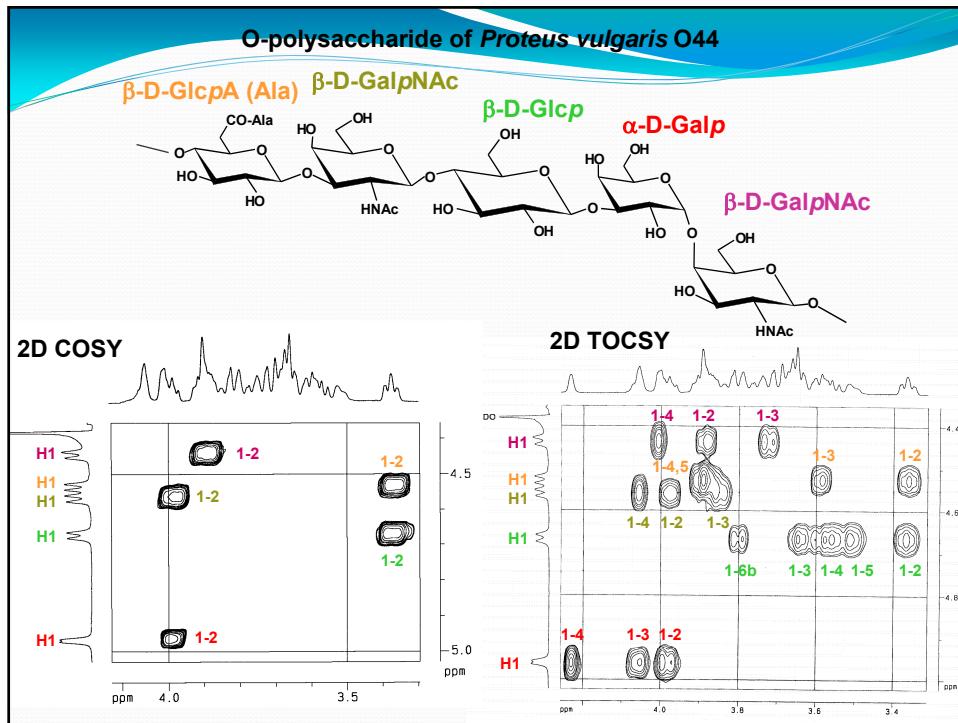
What is the NMR Assignment Issue?

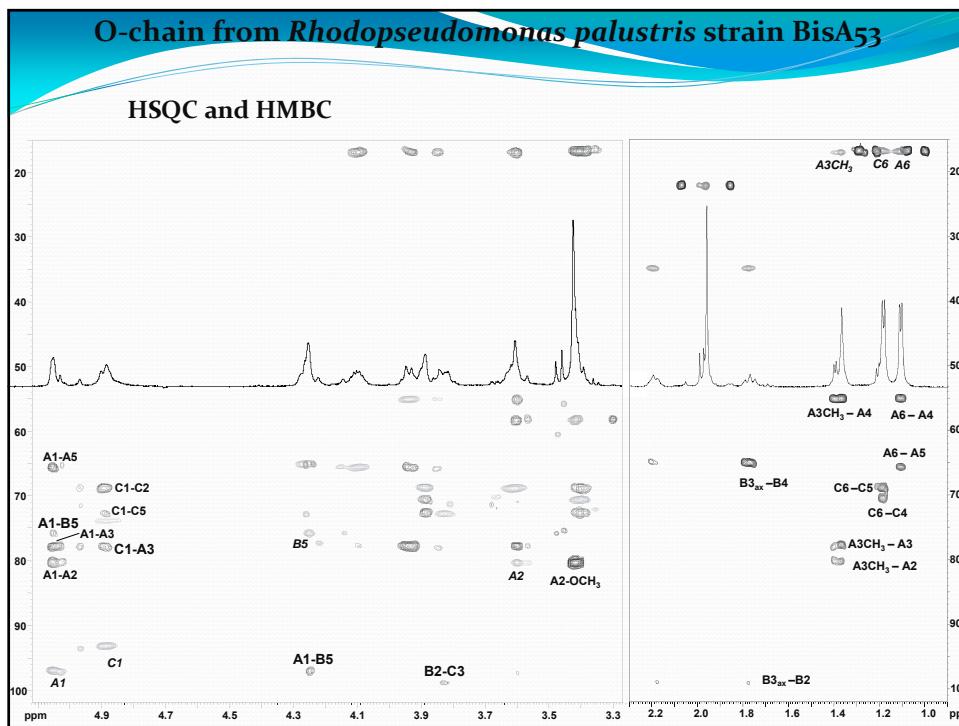
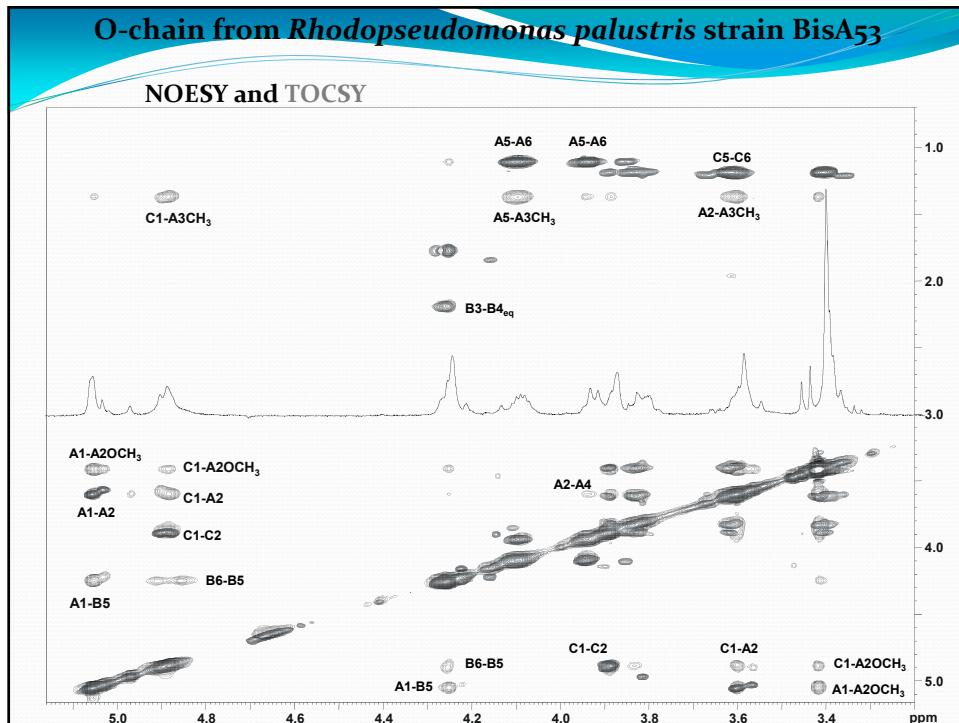
- Each observable NMR resonance needs to be assigned or associated with the atom in the protein structure.



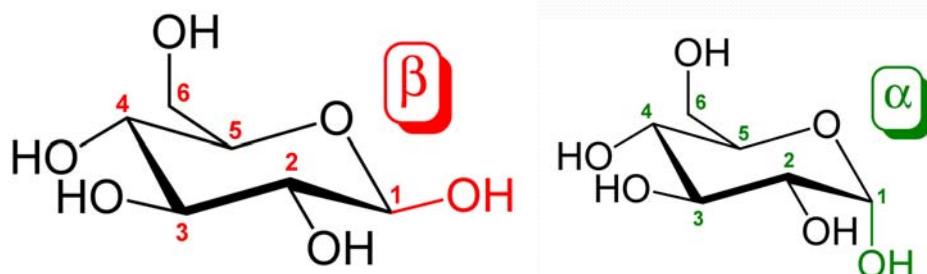




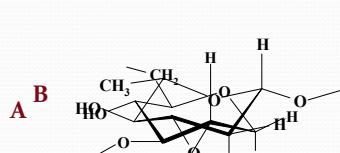
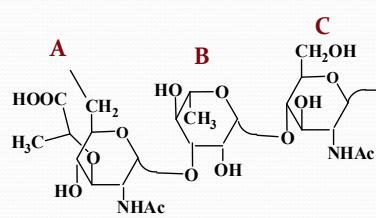




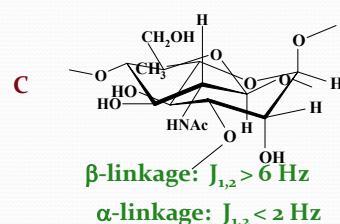
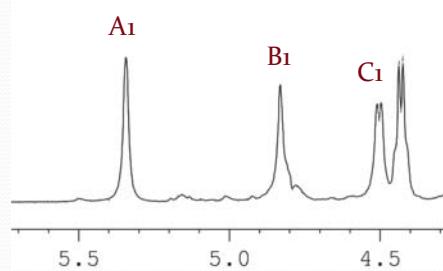
•Anomeric configuration



^1H NMR spectrum contains information on the configuration of glycosidic linkages



α -linkage: $J_{1,2} \leq 4 \text{ Hz}$

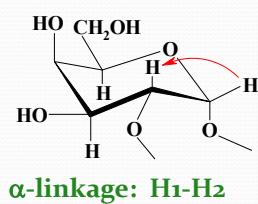


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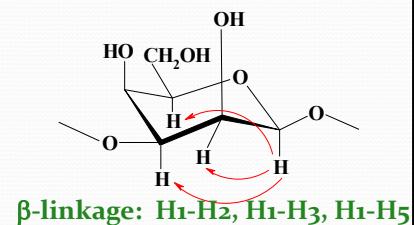
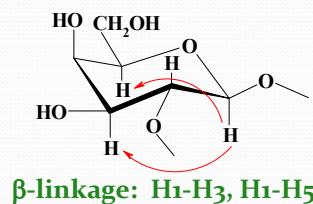
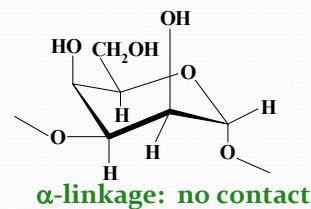
α -linkage: $J_{1,2} < 2 \text{ Hz}$

Intra-residue NOE contacts in monosaccharides

gluco, galacto configuration



manno configuration



❖ Monosaccharide Sequence

- *Inter-residual NOE contact*
- *Glycosylation shift*
- *Long range inter-residual correlation in the HMBC spectra*

