

dia-PASEF: Bottom-up proteomics with near optimal ion usage

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Introduction: dia-PASEF acquisition mode





- Synchronizing trapped ion mobility spectrometry (TIMS) and precursor ion selection in a quadrupole time-of-flight mass spectrometer increases MS/MS sequencing rates more than ten-fold in a novel acquisition mode termed PASEF.
- Here, we applied the PASEF principle to DIA and investigate its performance.

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Results: Increase in ion sampling efficiency





 Ion sampling efficiency for a tryptic HeLa digest increased by five-fold by applying dia-PASEF and a 4 scan window placement when comparing to common DIA window placement.

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Results: Ion Mobility-Aware Targeted Data Extraction



- To handle the novel 4D data structure Mobi-DIK (Ion Mobility DIA Analysis Kit) was developed.
- Restricting the extraction data to a user-defined width in the ion mobility dimension improves the signal-tonoise ratio by 4-fold.

Fragment ion chromatograms of DGLLIIGVHSAK extracted with and without restriction in the ion mobility dimension

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Results: Single Run Proteome Quantification





- With a library-based analysis in total 7,800 proteins were identified at a global protein FDR of 1%.
 Remarkably 85% of all proteins in the library were covered.
- Using a combined human and yeast library 82,808 (7,943)human and 7,483 (2,250) yeast unique peptides (proteins) could be quantified. Their protein abundance ratios split according to the mixed ratios.

High-sensitivity Proteome Analysis





- Lowering the number of dia-PASEF scans and increasing the quadrupole isolation width (high sensitivity dia-PASEF method) increased the detected fragment ion signal on average about 4-fold as compared to the standard method. The higher ion signal translated into a more precise quantification.
- With the high sensitivity dia-PASEF method 4,310 proteins could be quantified in triplicates of 10 ng injection.

Conclusion



- Standard DIA acquisition schemes utilize only a few percent of the ion current by cycling through segments of the precursor m/z range
- dia-PASEF makes use of the correlation of molecular weight and ion mobility in a trapped ion mobility mass spectrometer (timsTOF Pro)
- Synchronizing ion mobility separation and precursor selection allows to sample up to 100% of the peptide precursor ion current
- CCS-Aware targeted data extraction increases the specificity for precursor identification
- Single run analysis of whole proteome digests and mixed organism samples demonstrates deep proteome coverage and exceptional sensitivity



Questions and Answers

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