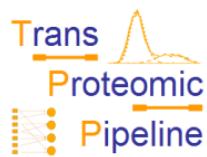


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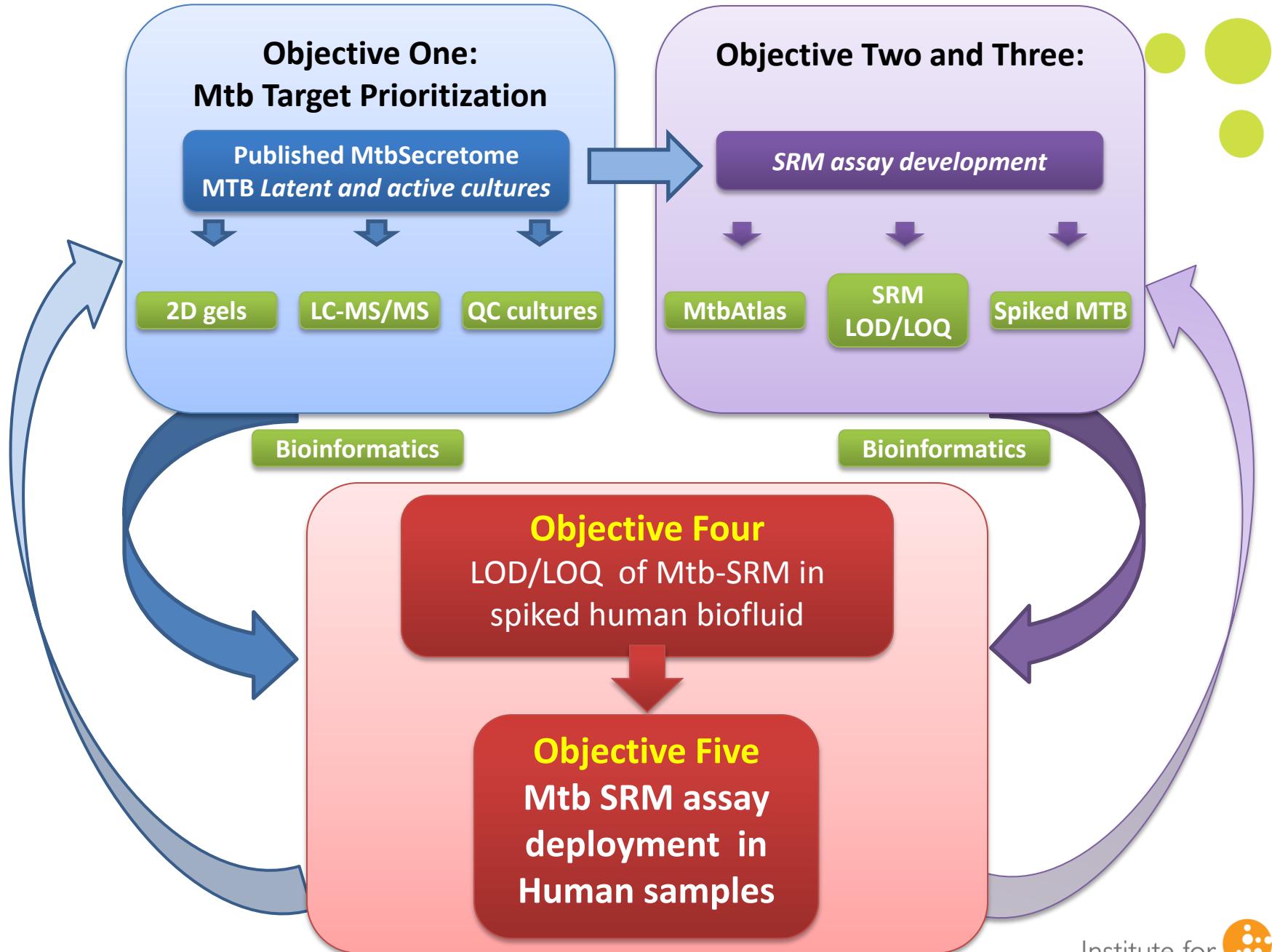
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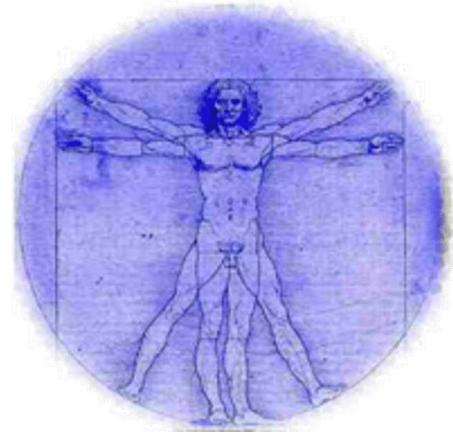
# Outline



- Introduction: Goals of the program
- Development of SRM resource: Compendium of MS observable peptides and Mtb SRMAtlas: Unified transition resource
- Biomarker discovery
  - Identification
  - Validation
- Conclusions



# Human and MTB SRMAtlas

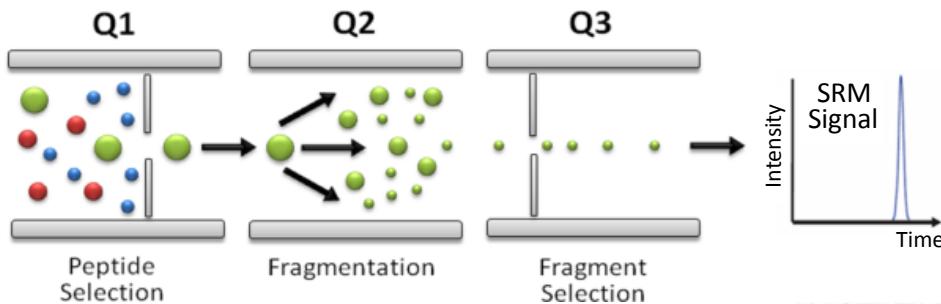


## Human

20,333 proteins (20,277 2010 version)  
32,562 proteins incl. isoforms  
658,684 tryptic peptides (any length)  
480,284 tryptic peptides (7-30aa)  
439,213 proteotypic peptides (proteotypic)

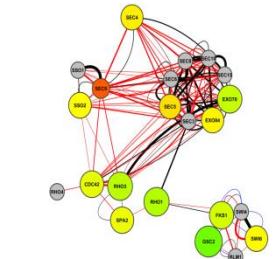
## MTB

4,012 proteins (Tuberculist v2.3)  
3,972 distinct protein sequences  
80,371 tryptic peptides (any length)  
54,760 distinct peptides (7-30aa)  
52,707 peptides (7-30aa, SSR 4-60)  
52,273 peptides (proteotypic)



But where can we get this information?  
Are all proteins available for analysis?

# Developing SRM Assays



Develop target lists

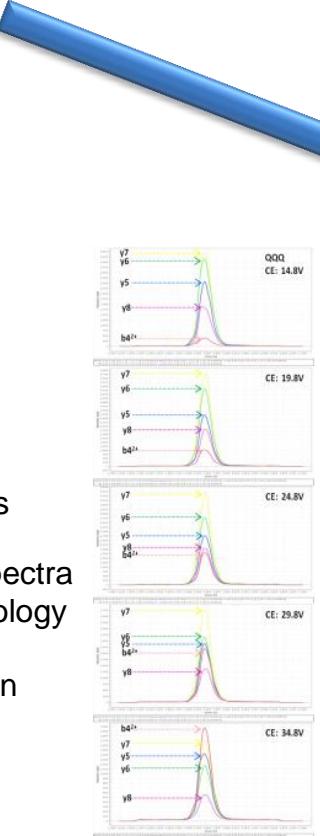


Synthesize peptides

Create fragmentation spectra  
using quadrupole technology

Optimize fragmentation

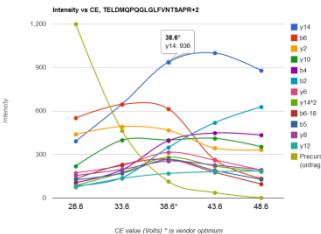
Select new peptides  
and repeat process



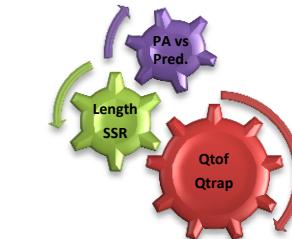
Highly curated “Gold Standard”



Query SRMAtlas for



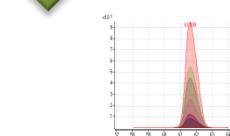
SRM Atlas



SRM transitions

APLAAGTWR  
471.76, 774.43  
471.76, 661.34

6 peptides per protein

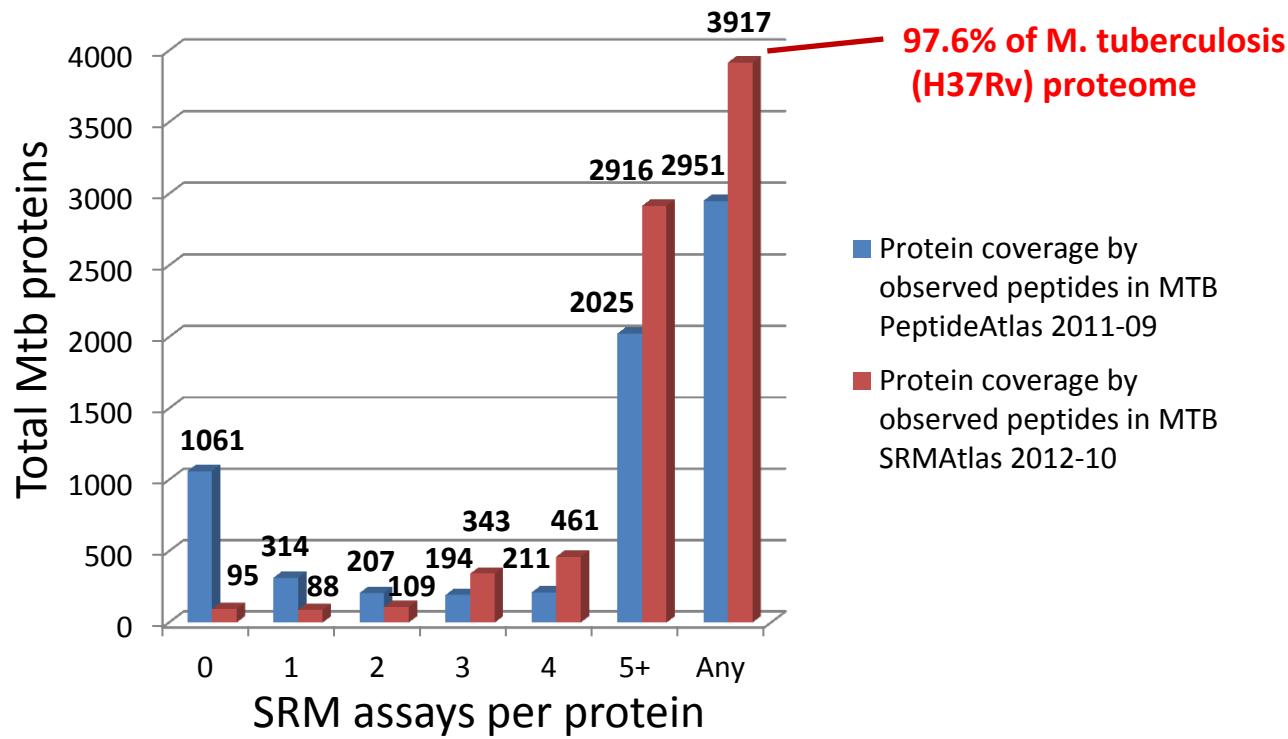


Download data  
program instrument

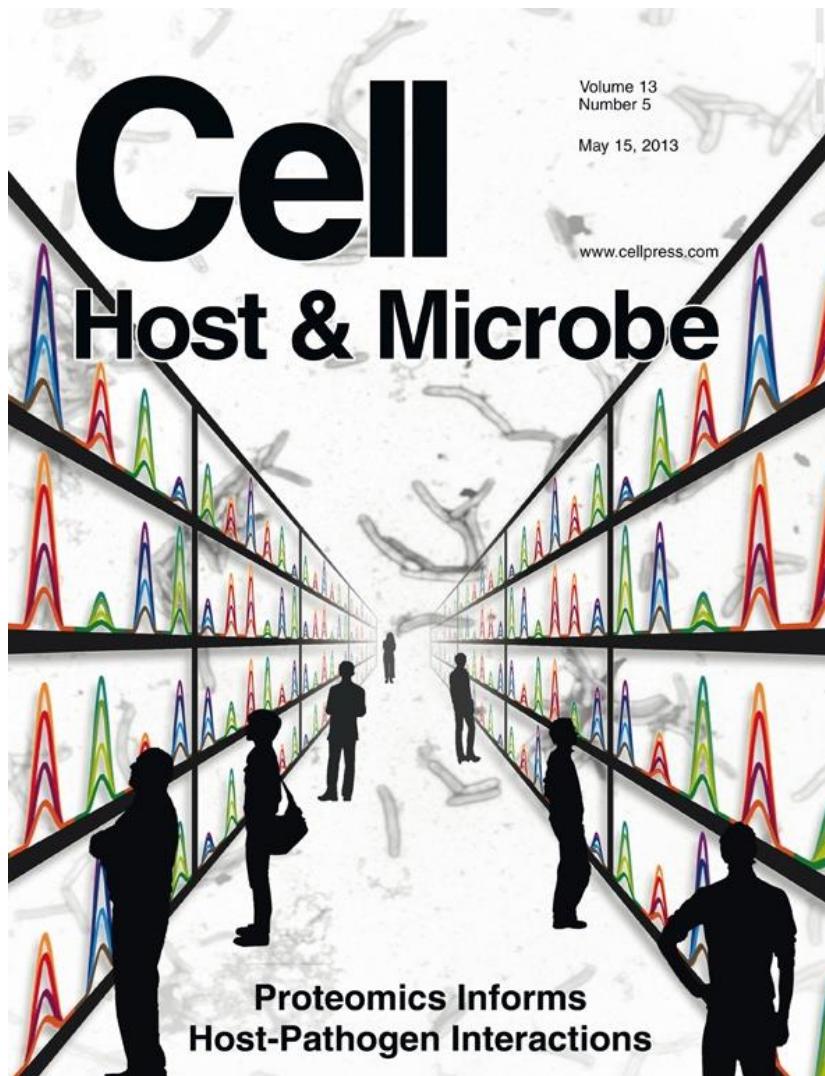


Deploy, verify and validate SRM assays

# Mtb Proteome SRM Assay Availability



unmapped proteins:  
> Rv3367 GTDGNPG

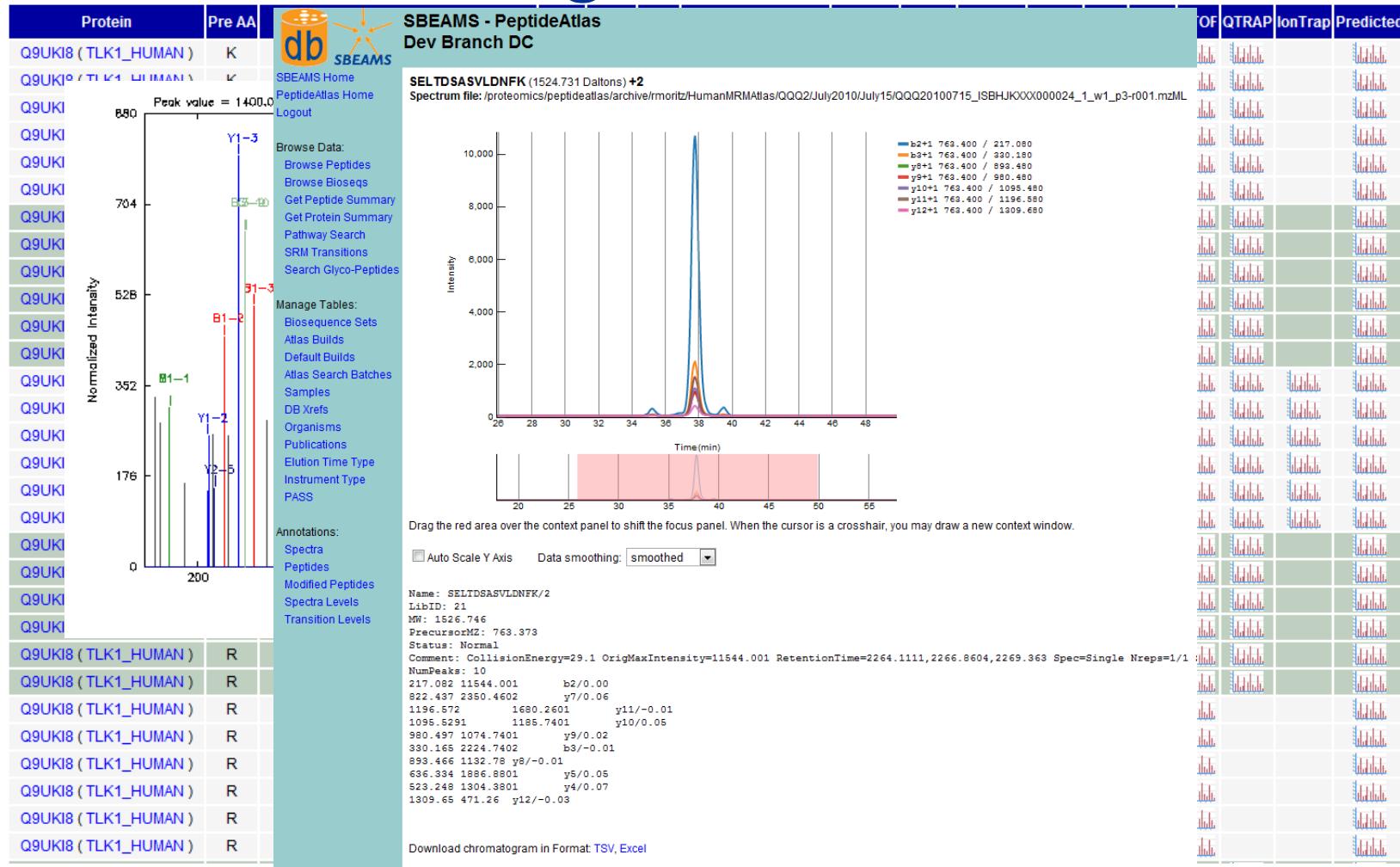


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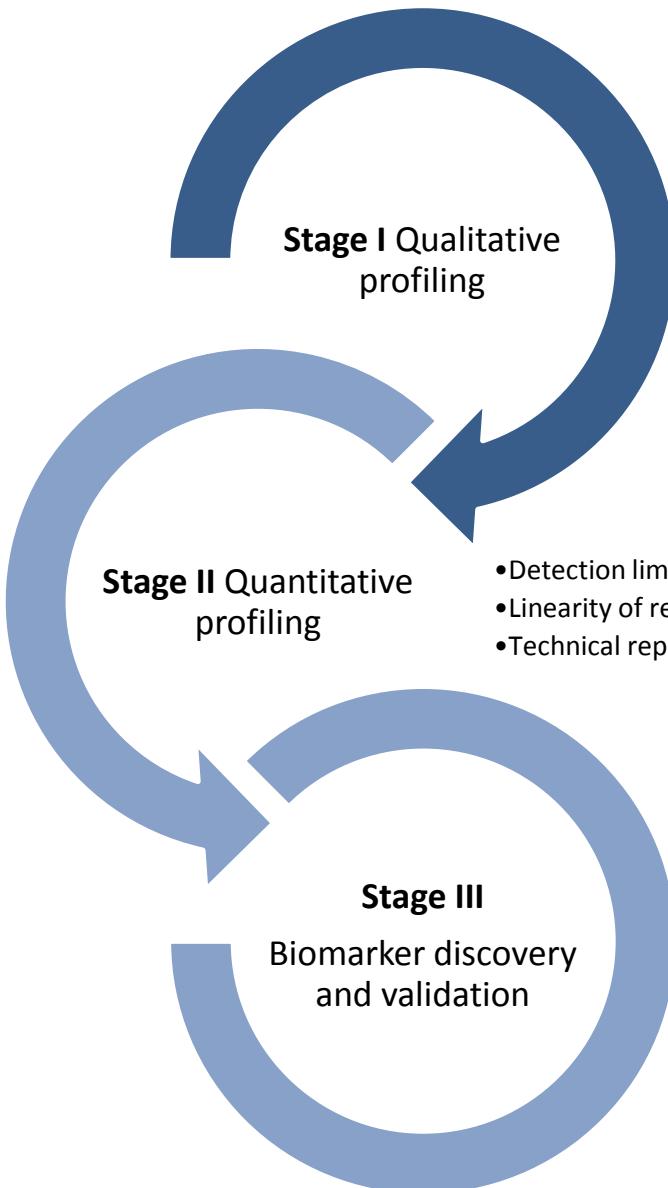
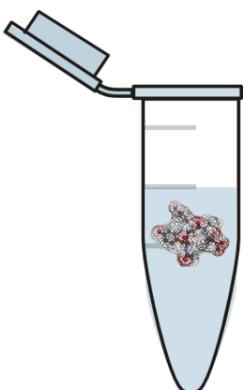
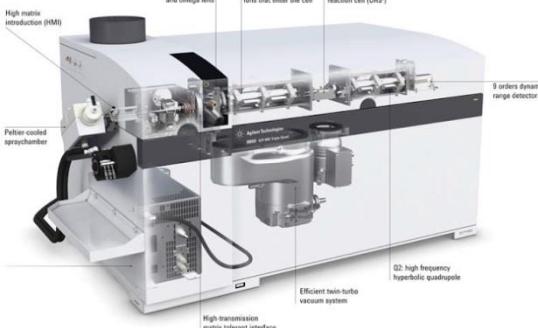
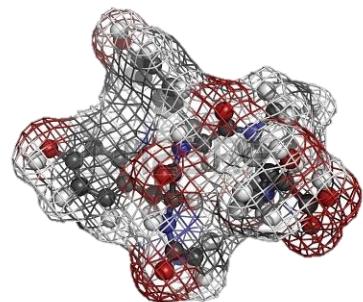
*Schubert et al.*

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SRMAtlas: transition and spectra visualization  
[www.srmatlas.org](http://www.srmatlas.org)



# Biomarker Discovery Stages



- Proteotypicity/selectivity
- Observability
- Inter-peptide signal interferences

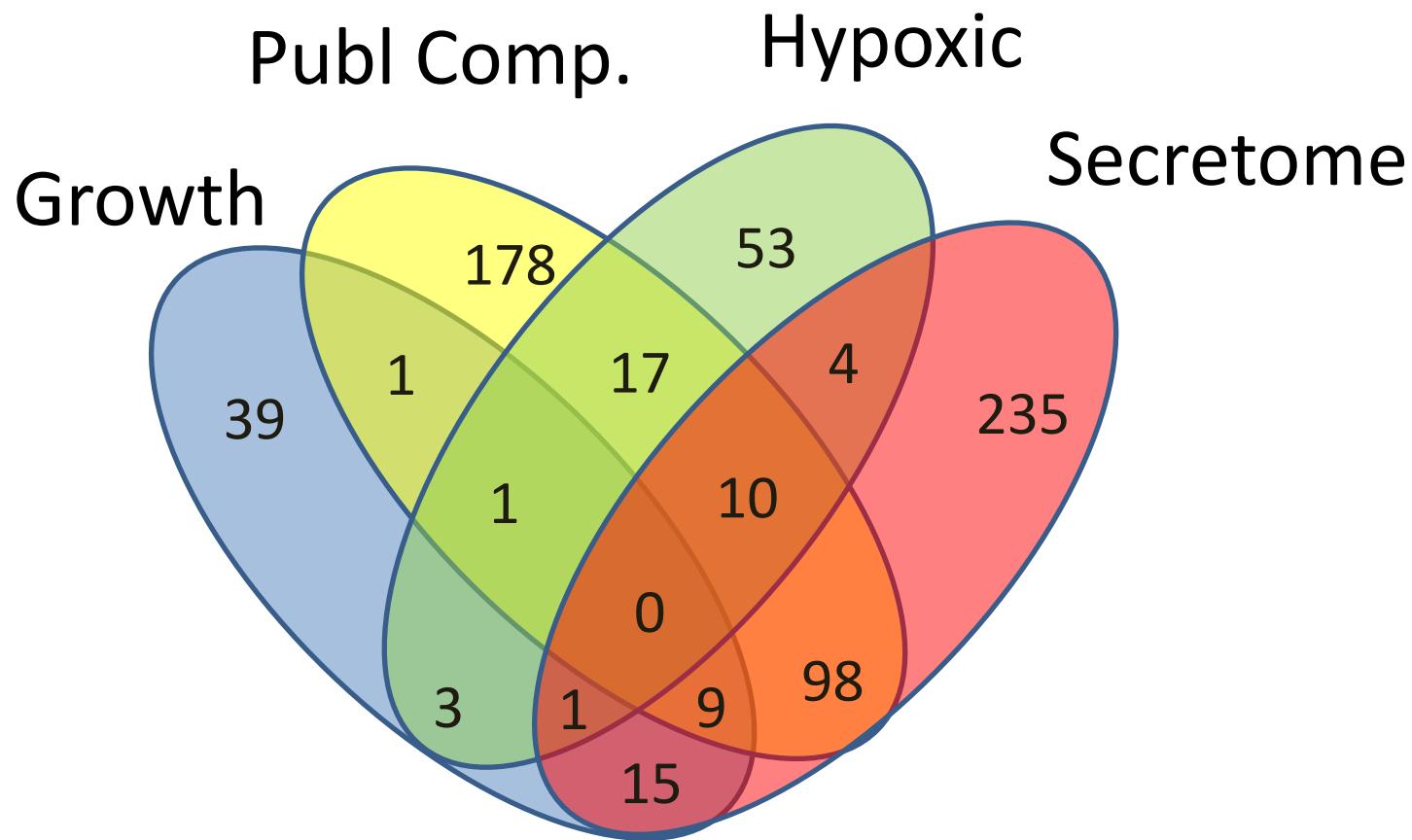
**Autocalib**  
**SRMQuant Atlas**

- Detection limit
- Linearity of response
- Technical reproducibility

- Detection in sample matrix
- Peptide interferences
- Dynamic range
- Chemical stability

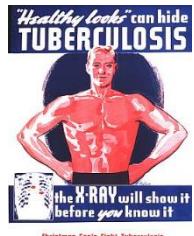


# Overall Mtb Target List Overlap



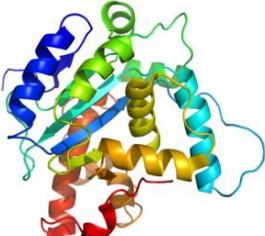
Total of 505 targets selected

# Proteomic profiling of TB patient samples

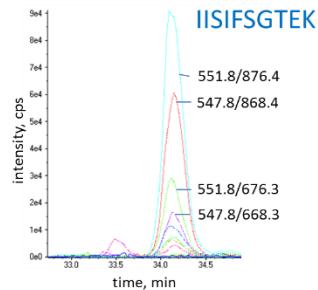
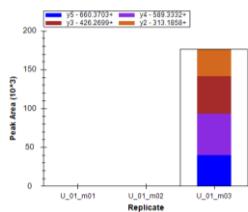
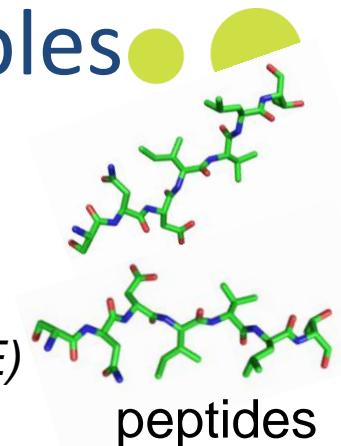


Patient samples

sputum  
urine  
plasma



*tryptic digestion*  
*clean-up:*  
*solid phase extraction (SPE)*  
*Sep-Pak tC18 column*



data analysis

SRM MS analysis  
of 24 fractions

*clean-up: SPE*  
*tC18 elution plate*



fractionation

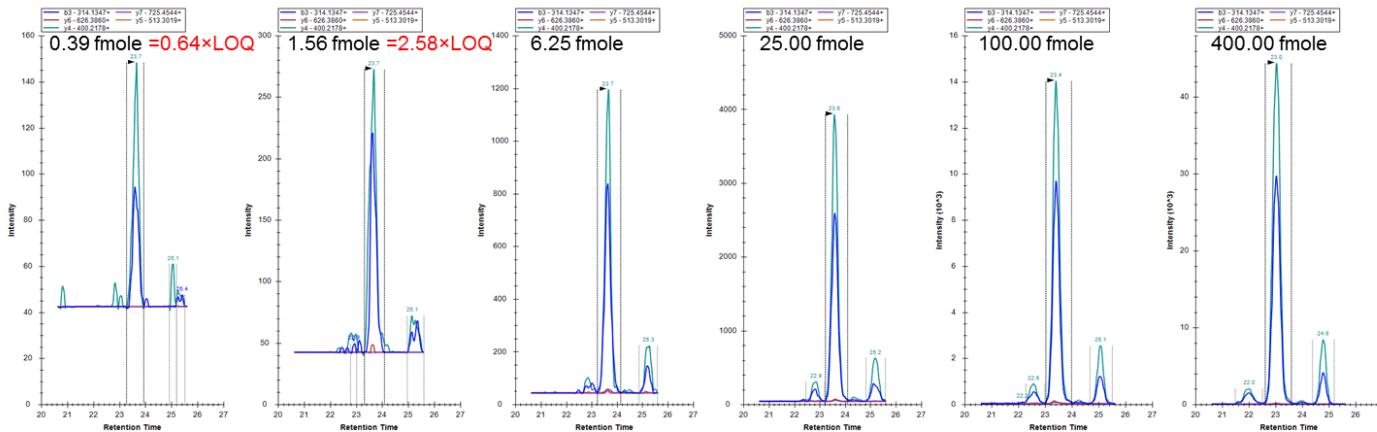


# ANALYTICAL CHALLENGES

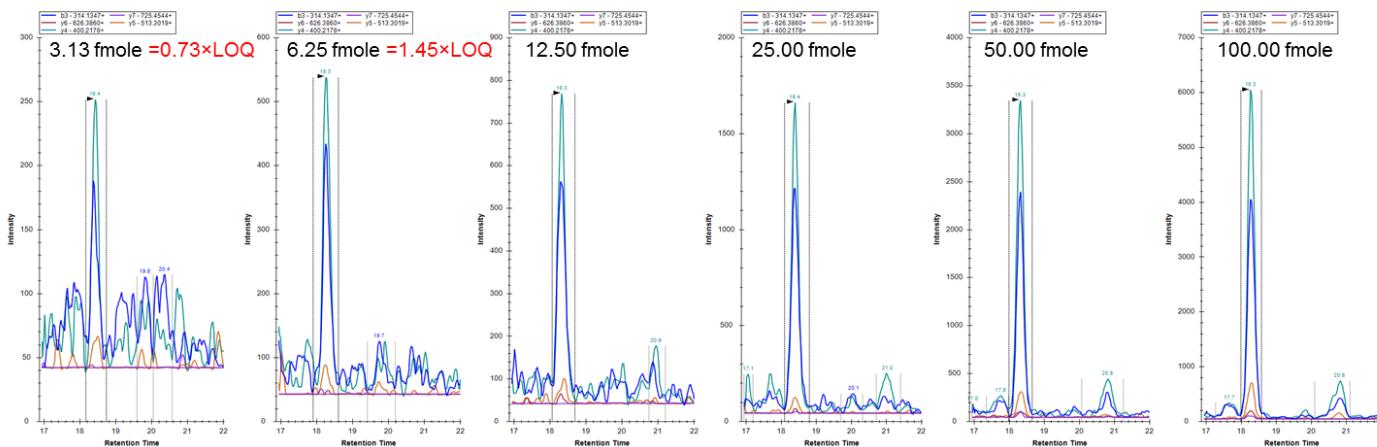
# Sample matrix signal response



## a) Neat solution titration series



## b) Matrix-matched titration series (SPEVLLGSAR)



(n=62)  
 $\text{LOD}_{\text{median}}$

Calibration Curve  
(Neat Solution)

0.776

Calibration Curve  
(Urine Matrix)

2.012

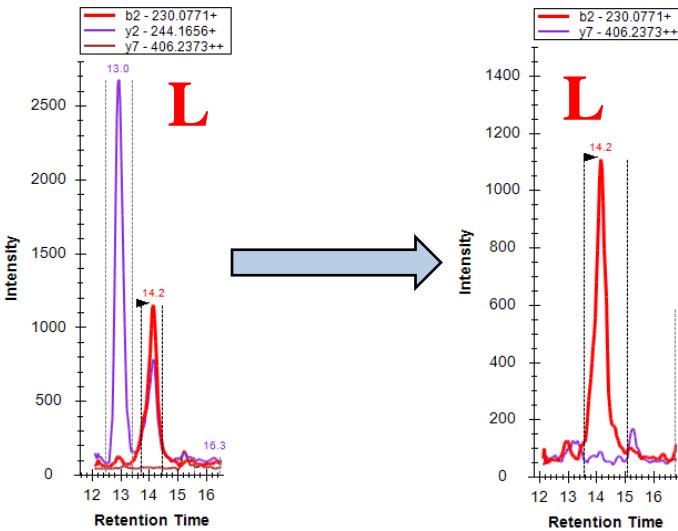
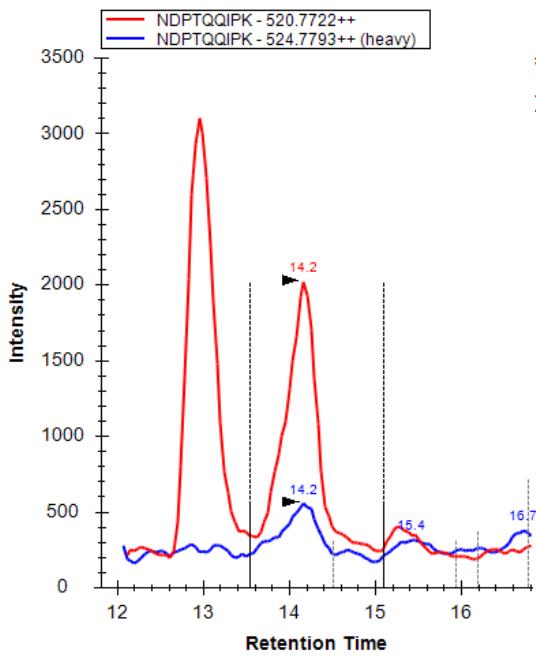
MMu/NS  
ratio  
2.59

**79.2%** peptides demonstrated quantitative in neat solution remains quantitative in human sample matrix

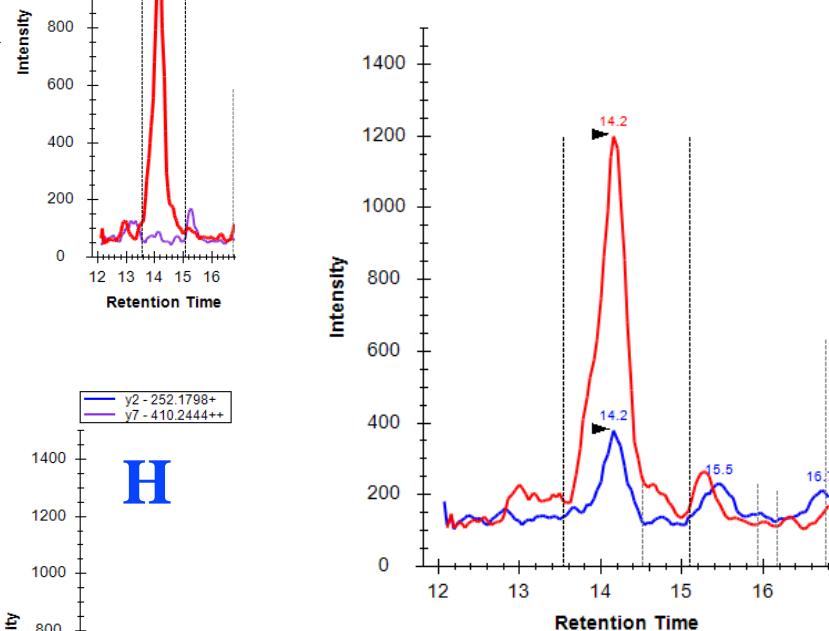
# Interference removal of Mtb target protein SRM

## Body Fluid Matrix (urine)

### Observed



### Corrected



# Conclusions



- **Quantitative profiling** applied to biomarker discovery
- Developed sample processing for **sputum, plasma and urine**
- Analysed sputum samples after OGE fractionation, plasma and urine with minimal fractionation
- SRM analysis and biomarker verification in progress...

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