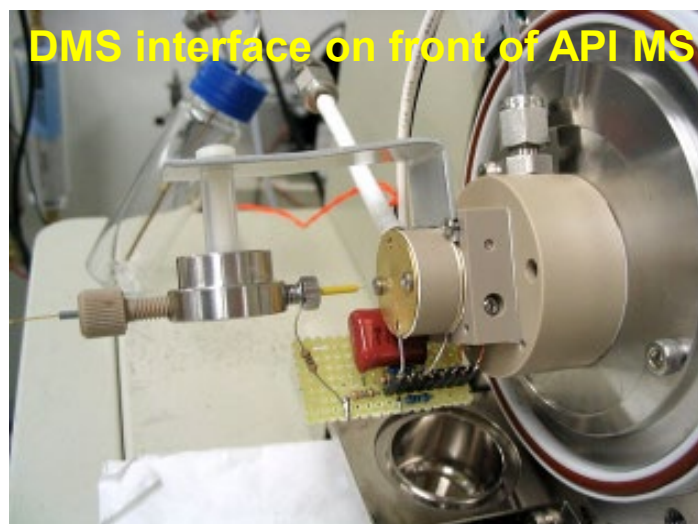
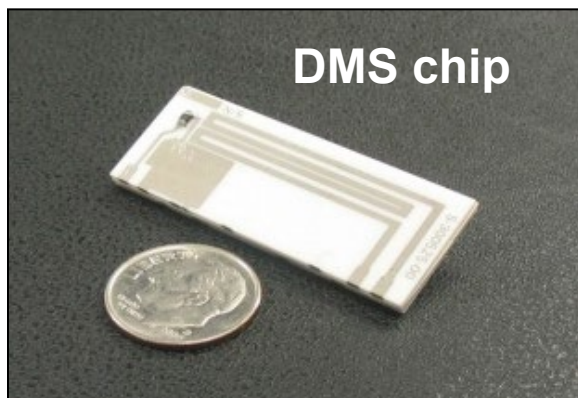


# ***Planar Design Differential Ion Mobility Spectrometer (DMS) as a Prefilter for Portable Atmospheric Pressure Ionization Mass Spectrometers***



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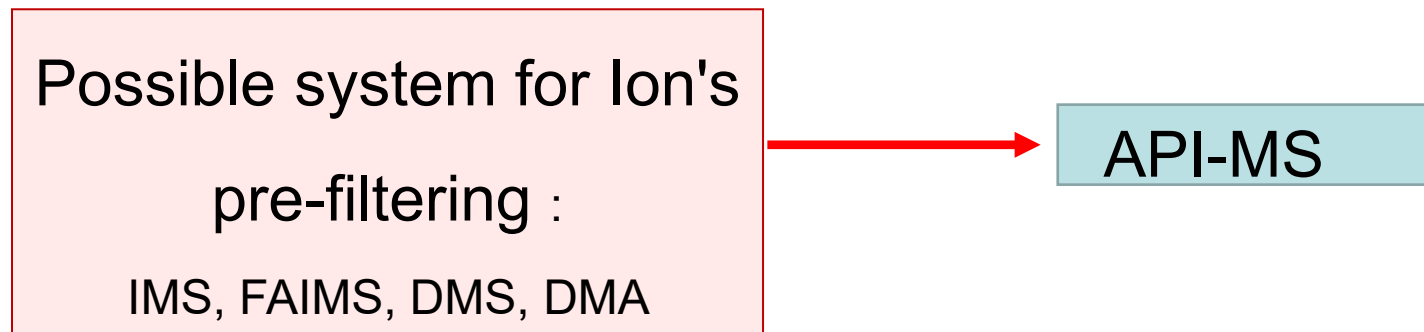
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# For Motivation to Use DMS Interfaces on Front of API MS

*AB Sciex, ThermoFisher Scientific, Waters, Agilent, ExcellIMS*

**Prof. Graham Cooks on ASMS 2013 made the following declaration:**

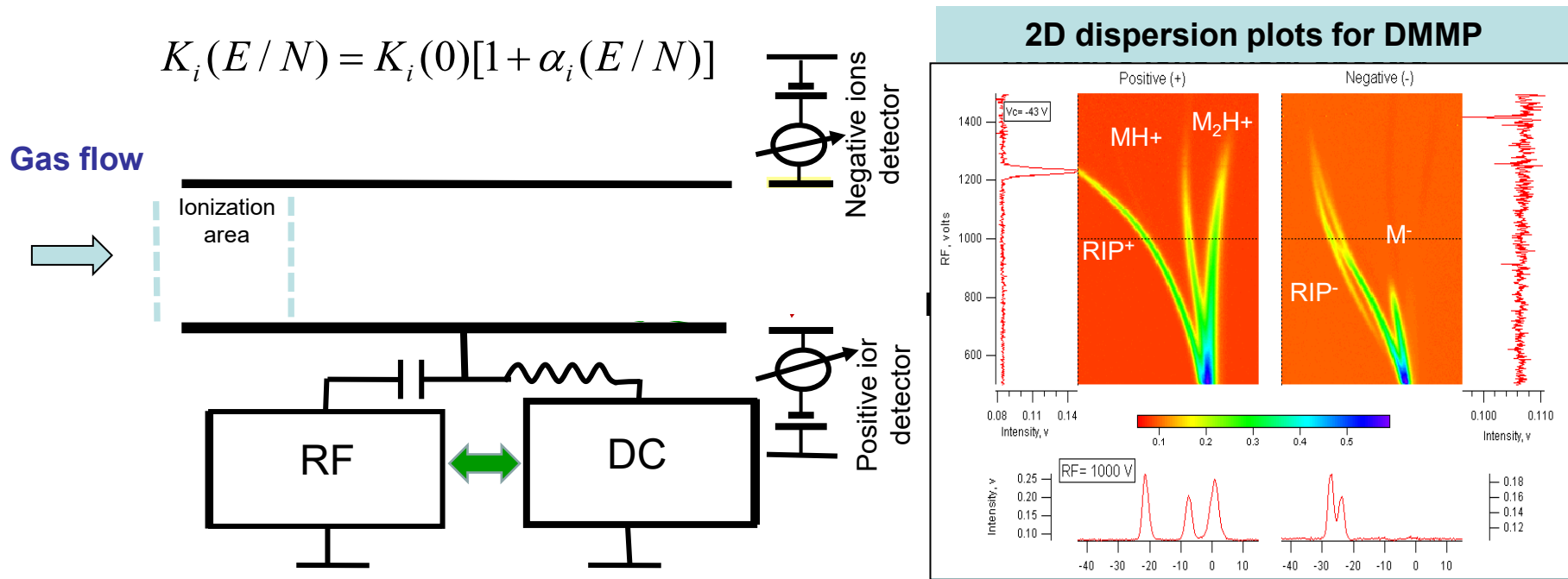
*“If we will dedicate some addition resources on **managing ionic processes outside MS vacuum system**, progress in mass spectrometry would be accelerated.”*



# Outline

- **Schematics**, modeling, and **regimes** of planar DMS sensor operation.
- Physical-Chemistry **Fundamentals** for DMS sensor operation.
- Comparison DMS and MS techniques and clarify their **output orthogonality**.
- **Examples of DMS spectra** obtained in planar design sensor.
- Motivation to build a **Tandem DMS-API MS**.
- Experimental demonstration the **advantages** provided by DMS-API MS tandem system:
  - a. Possibility in-situ provide MS identification DMS peaks,
  - b. Decreasing chemical noise,
  - c. Visualization kinetics of gaseous ions transformation (e.g., fragmentation).
- Design of DMS sensor for prefiltering ions on front of **portable API MS**.
- **Summary.**

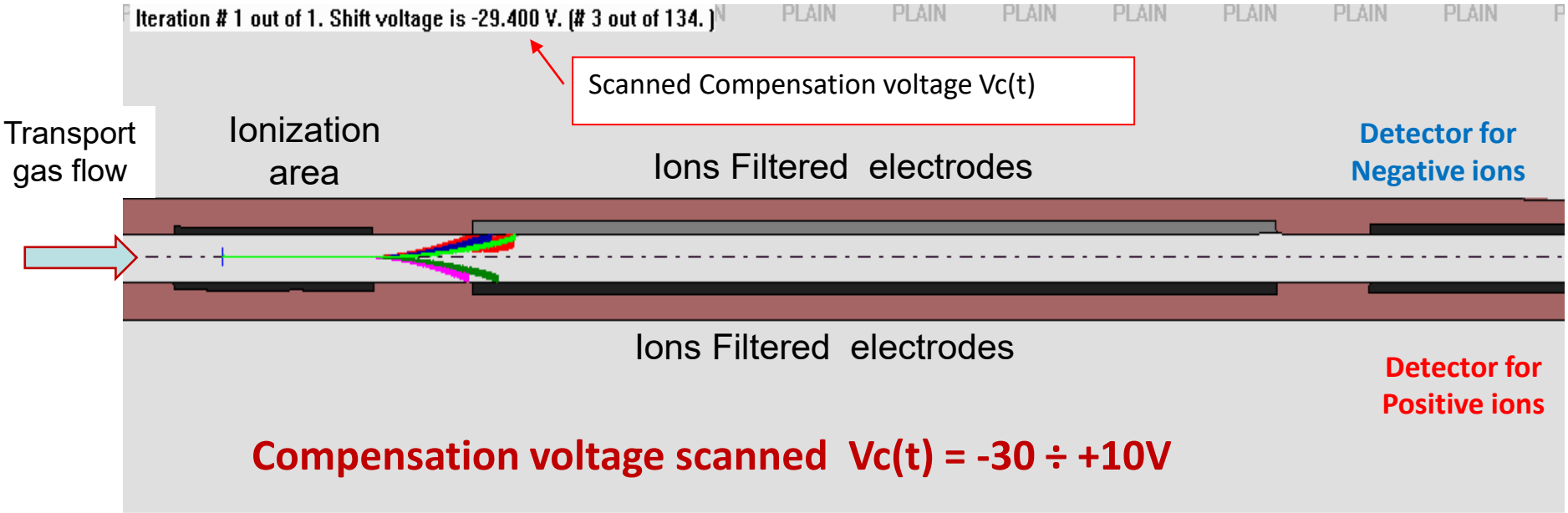
# Schematic and Operation Regimes of the Planar DMS Sensor



## Four Regimes of operation DMS sensor:

1. **Transparent mode of operation** is realized when RF=0V, and DC=0V;
2. **Continuously filtration targeted ion species** occurs when RF is turn ON and DC voltage is adjusted to specific value for filtration only targeted ion species;
3. **Generation full DMS spectra** for specific RF realized when RF is set to needed value and compensation (**DC(t) voltage**) is scanned;
4. **Regime generation 2D dispersion plots** realized when RF(t) and DC(t) voltages are synchronized and scanned.

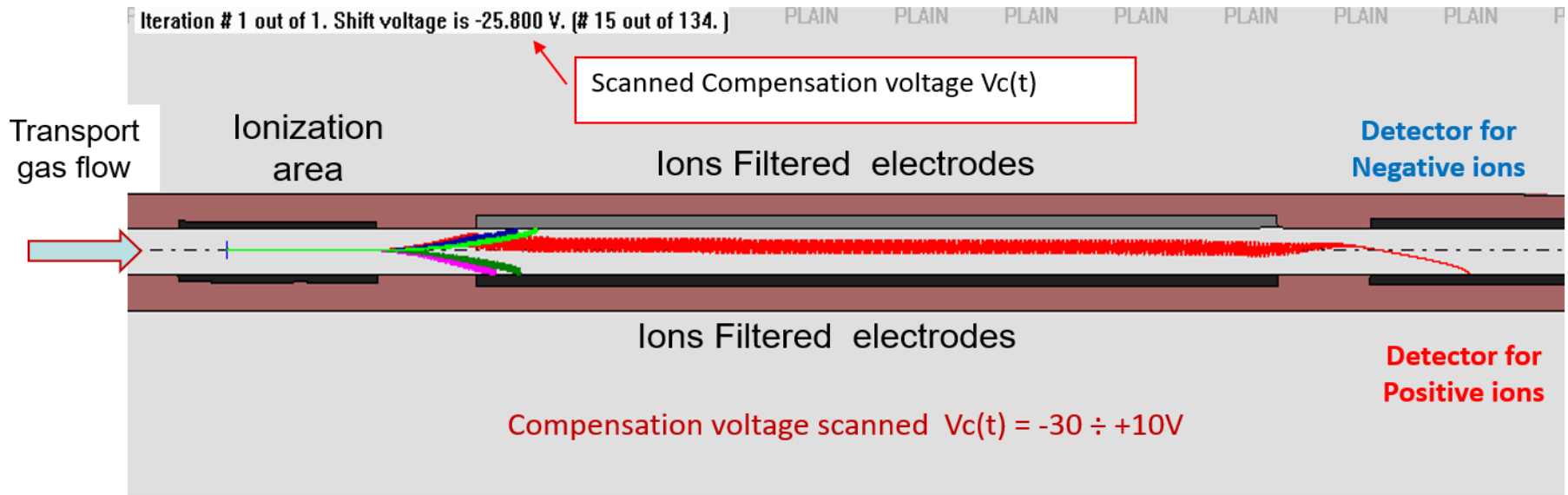
# Modeling trajectories for 5 different positive and negative ion species when RF=1000V and Vc(t) is scanned



Tested Ion Species with different  $K_0$  and  $\alpha$  parameters

Draw	$K_0$	$a_2$	$a_4$	$b_2$	$b_4$	Weight	Charge	Diffusion	Color	$V_c$ for filtration
Yes	3.00e+000	9.00e-006	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	1.00e+000	1	No	Red	-25.8V
Yes	2.50e+000	7.00e-006	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	1.00e+000	-1	No	Magenta	-21.3V
Yes	2.00e+000	5.00e-006	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	1.00e+000	1	No	Blue	-17.7V
Yes	1.50e+000	3.00e-006	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	0.00e+000	1.00e+000	-1	No	Green	-12.3V
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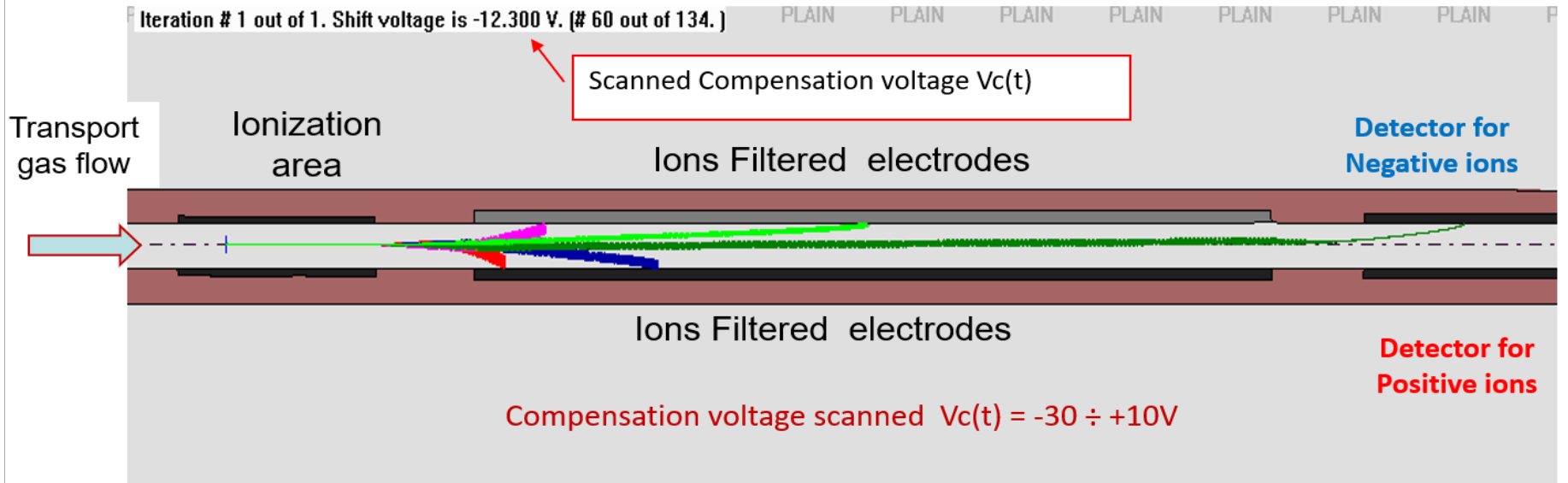
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*Tested Ion Species with different  $K_0$  and alpha parameters*

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# IMS and DMS and MS Techniques Provide Complementary/Orthogonal Information for Ion Species

$$V_1 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \vdots \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \xrightarrow{v_i} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \vdots \\ \hline \end{array} V_2 \quad K_i(E/N) = K_i(0)[1 + \alpha_i(E/N)]$$

**In Mass Spectrometry (in vacuum)**

$$v_i = \sqrt{\frac{2ez(V_2 - V_1)}{m_i}}$$

Ion  $m/z$  parameter

**In IMS and DMS**

In gases according Mason Schamp Equation

$$v_i = K_i(E) * E = K_i(E) * \frac{V_2 - V_1}{L}$$

$$K(E) = \frac{e}{\mu(E)v(E)} = \frac{3e}{16N} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\mu(E)kT_{eff}} \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\Omega^{1.1}(T_{eff})}$$

Ion reduce mass

Ions cross section

**MS, IMS and DMS characterize a different property of ions:**

- Mass-spectrometers provide the  $m/z$  parameters of ion species.
- Conventional time of flight IMS analyzers operates in low electric field conditions, therefore, provide a coefficient mobility of ions  $K(0)$  at low electric field ( $E < 1 \text{ kV/cm}$ )
- DMS in contrast to conventional IMS operates in high electric field ( $E = \text{up to } 30 \text{ kV/cm}$ ) conditions. Therefore, DMS provides information ( $K(E)$ ) related to transformation of ions conformation in strong electric field.

**Interrelation Between Ions' Characterized Parameters from Each Method**

$$K(E) = K(0)[1 + \alpha_{eff}(E)]$$

Provide IMS measurement

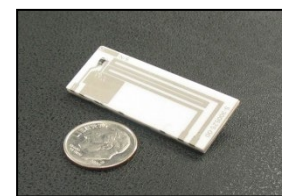
Provide DMS measurement

$$\alpha_{eff}(E) = \frac{K(E) - K(0)}{K(0)} = \frac{\Delta K(E)}{K(0)}$$

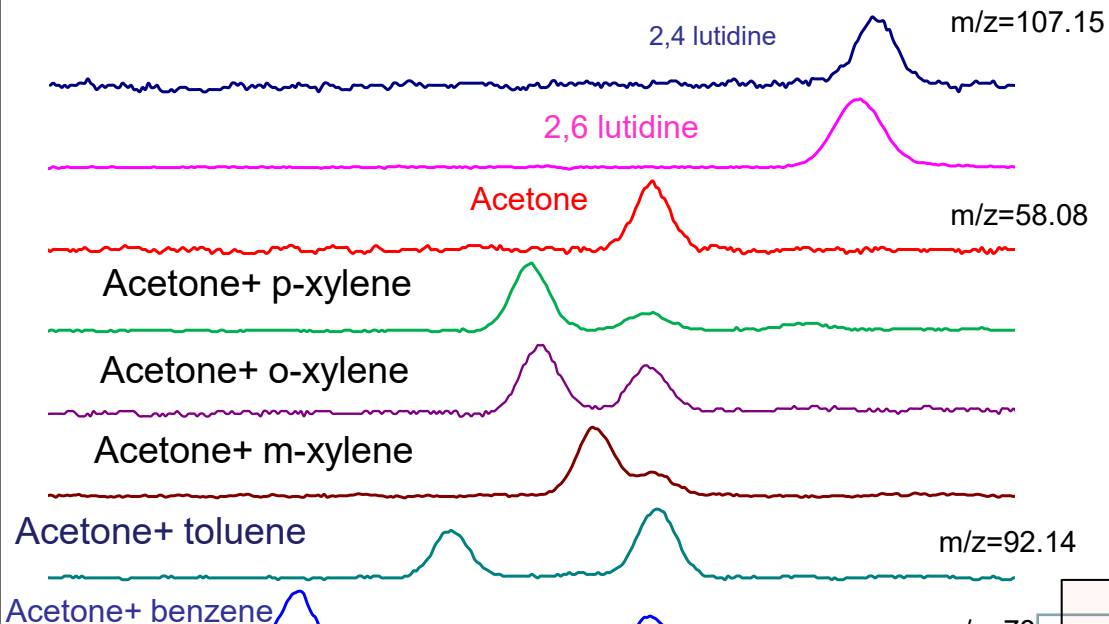
$$V_c \approx \frac{\langle \alpha E_s f(t) \rangle d}{1 + \langle \alpha \rangle}$$



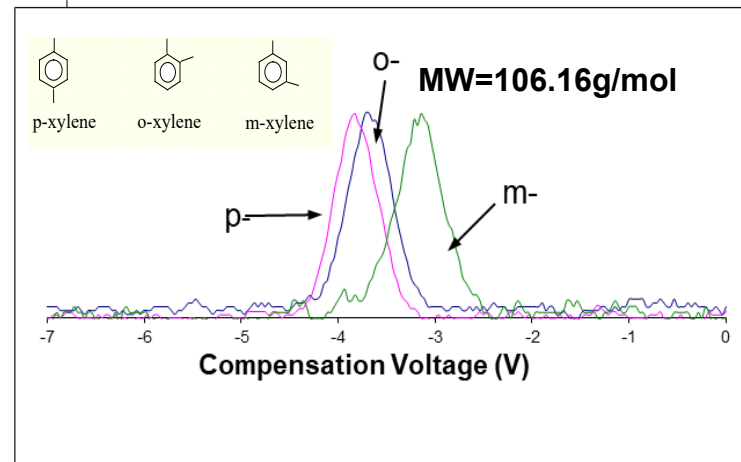
# Some Winning Examples of DMS spectra



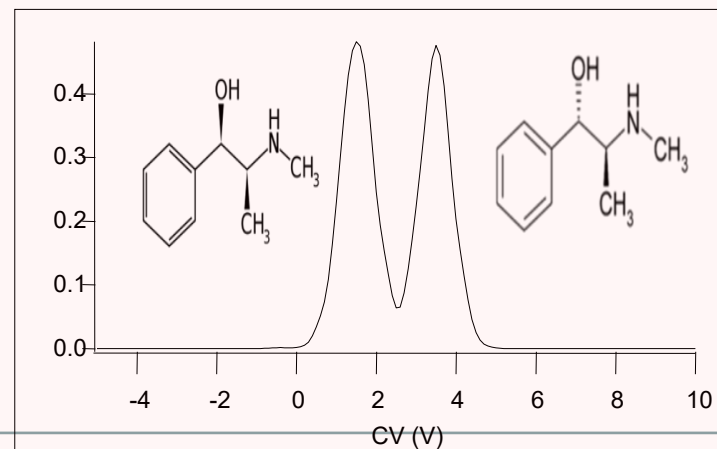
## DMS spectra



Separation Xylene isomers with different conformation structure

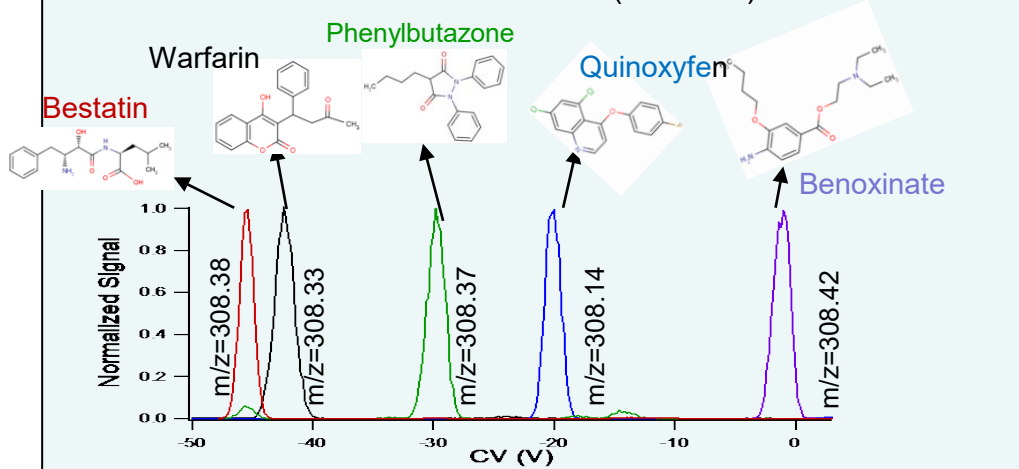


Separation **diastereoisomeric** molecules  
Ephedrine and Pseudoephedrine have identical  
 $MW=165.11536$ .



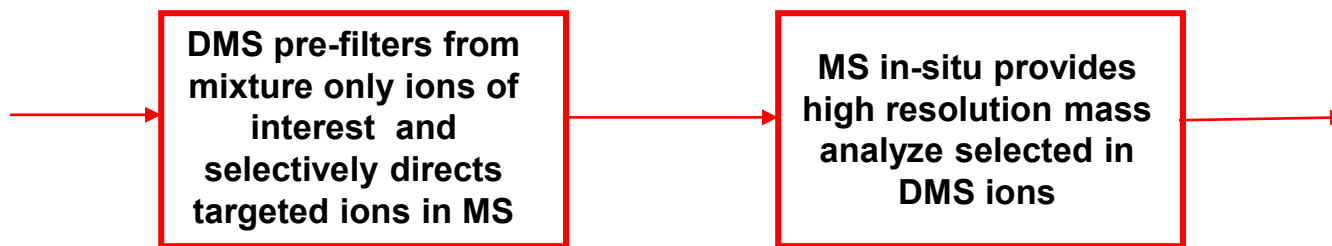
## DMS Separation isobaric $MH^+$ ions

All 6 chemicals have close mass ( $m/z \sim 309$ )



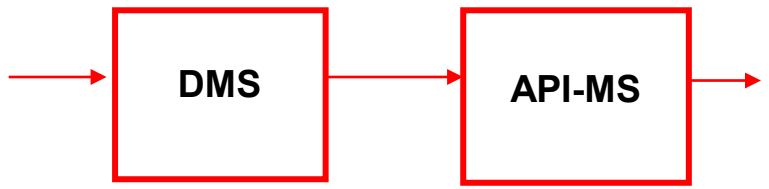
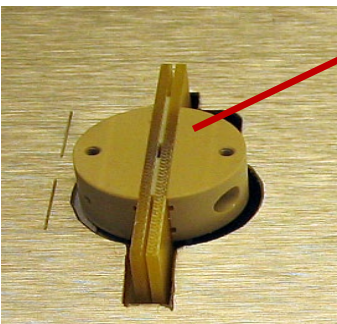
# Our statement: DMS pre-filtering on front of API-MS is a powerful adding to mass spectrometry

- As you can see the DMS generate a **low-resolution spectra** with ions resolving power between 10—15.
- A regular MS powerful device which provides significantly **higher resolution**; 100 – thousands.
- But, on another hand **DMS able separate** ion species with almost **same molecular mass**.
- Therefore, combination DMS with mass spectrometry (MS) offers **potential advantages over the use of mass spectrometry alone**.



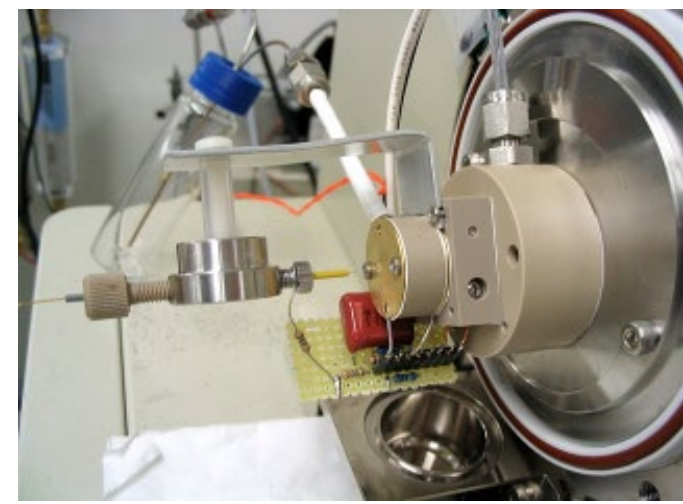
# Image of Our First DMS Interface which was Mounted to Number Commercial Atmospheric Pressure Ionization Mass Spectrometers

*Low cost, small size, electromechanically simple, and robust DMS ions filter.*

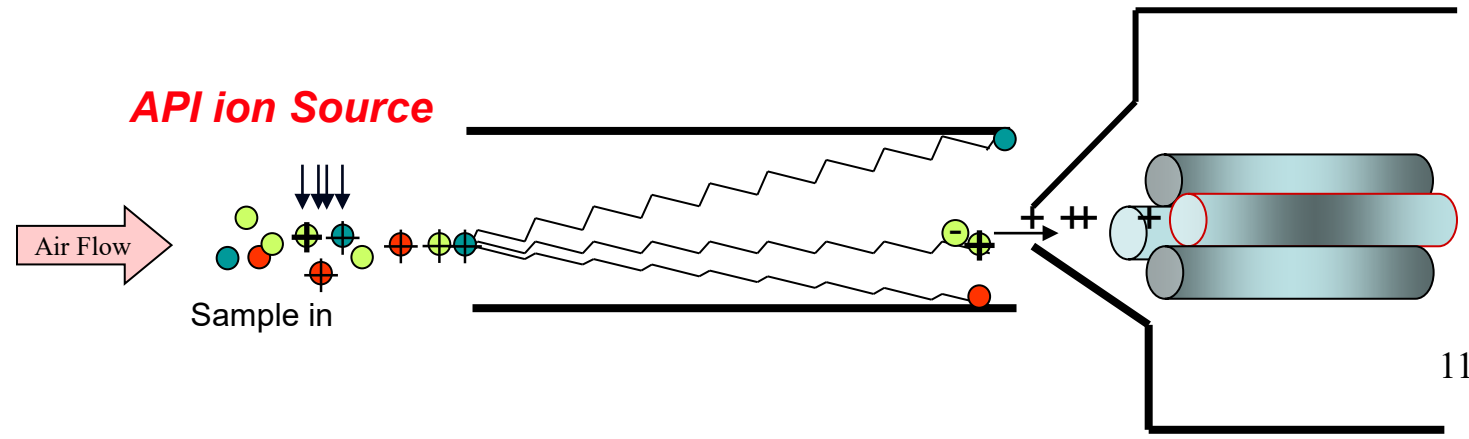


Cost DMS interface  
\$

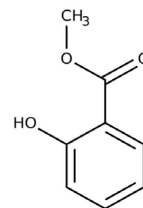
Cost of MS  
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## In-line design for attaching DMS sensor to MS

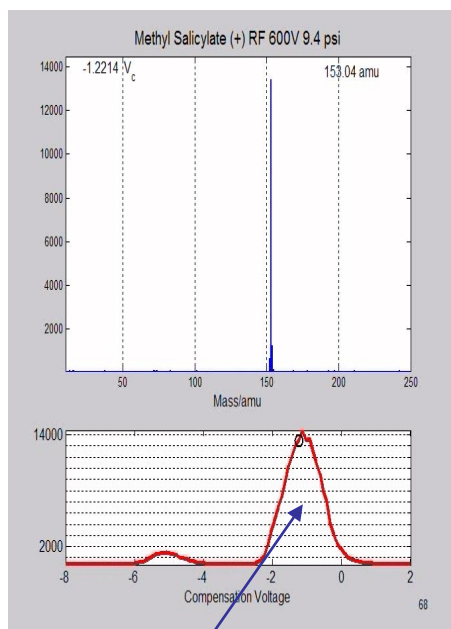


# DEMO #1. DMS-MS System Provides in-situ Registration and MS Identification Ions in Regime of Fast DMS-MRM



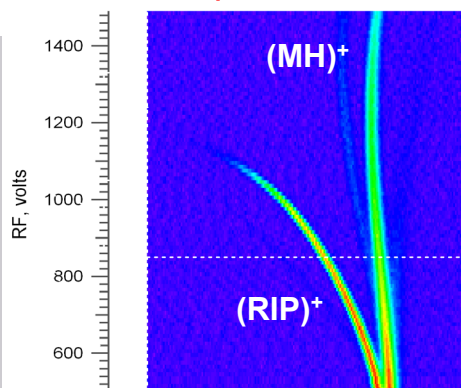
## Dispersion plots for methyl salicylate(1ppb).(MW=152)

Positive ions mass spectrum  
for  $V_c = -1.8V$  point

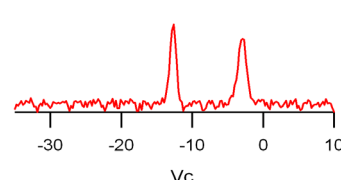
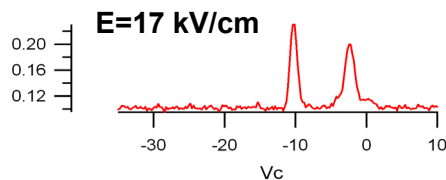
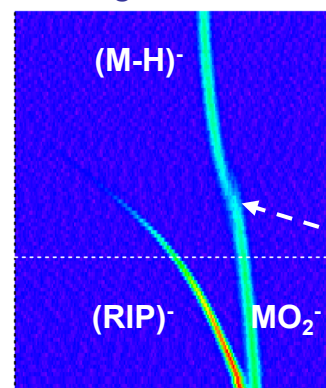


**(MH)<sup>+</sup>**  
 $m/z = 153$  Da

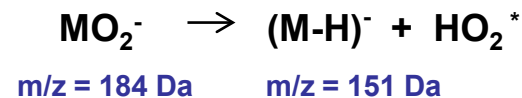
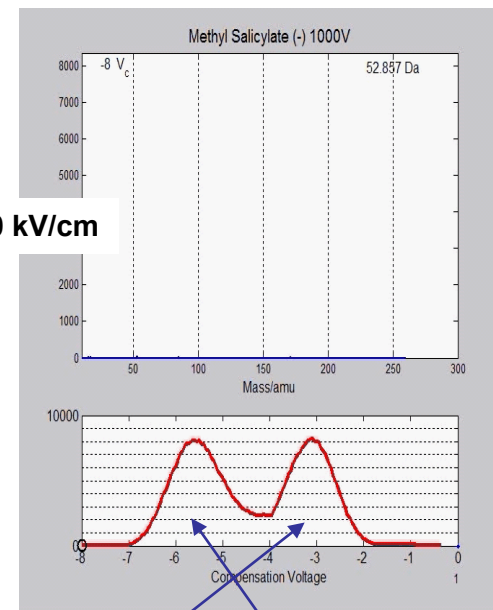
for positive ions



for negative ions

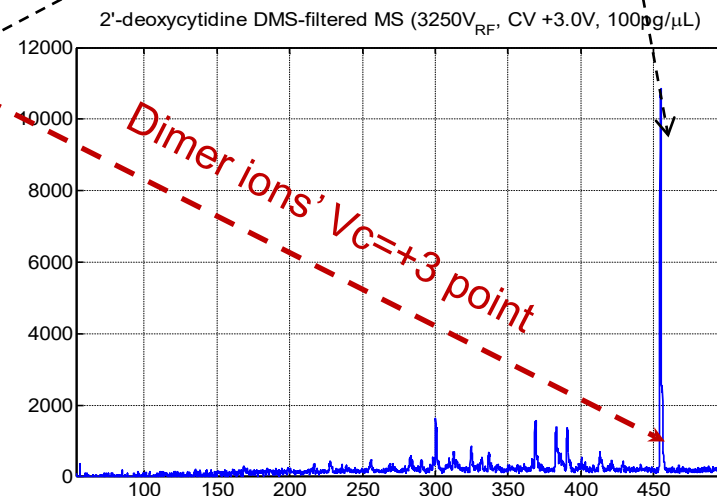
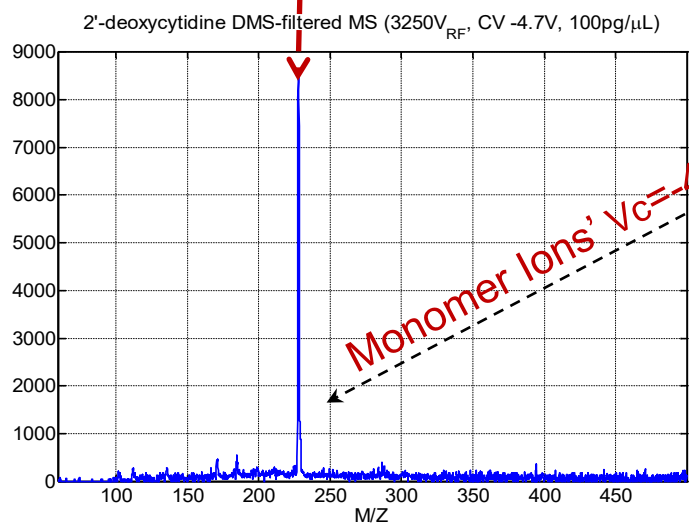
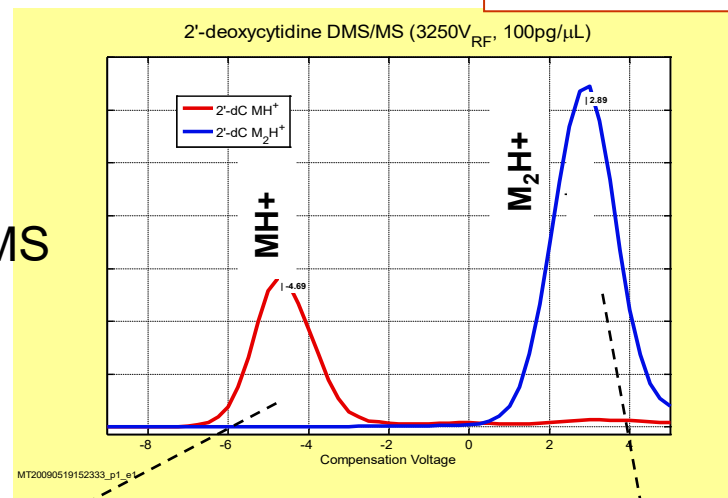
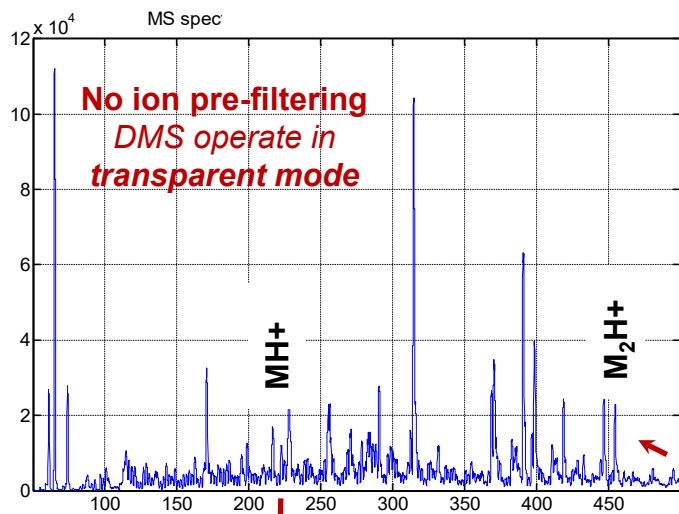
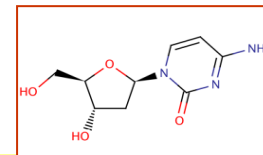


Negative ions mass spectra



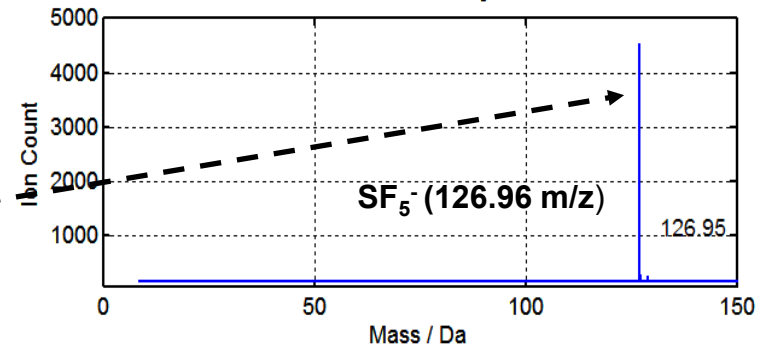
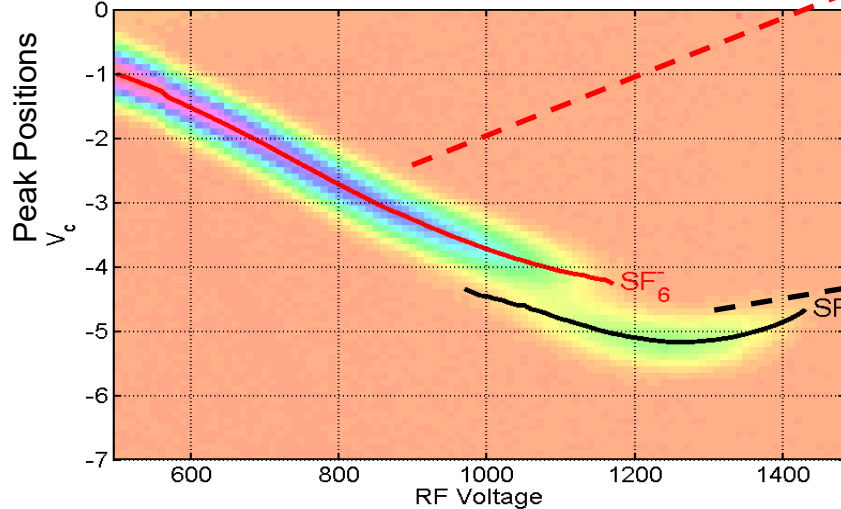
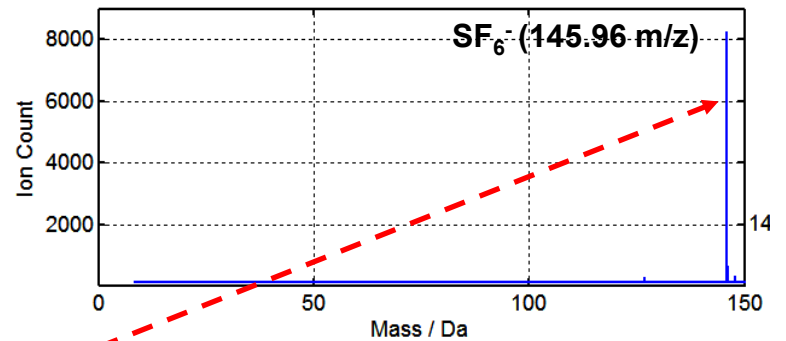
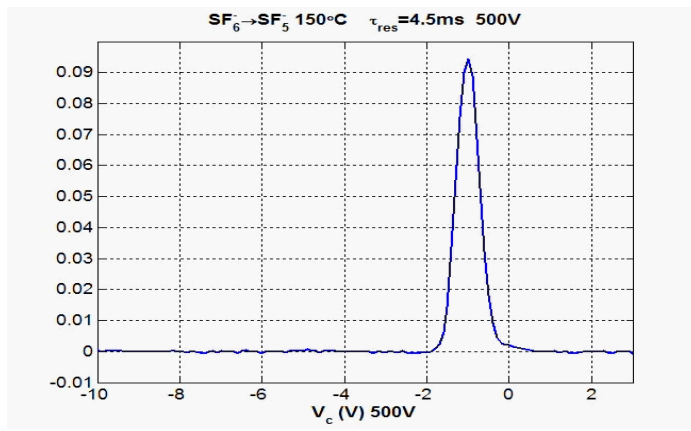
# DEMO #2. Separation the Targeted Ions on Front of DMS-MS Helps to Reduce a Chemical Noise in recorded MS spectra

## 2'-Deoxycytidine Radiation Biomarker with MW 228, 100 $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{L}$



# DEMO#3. Visualization the Kinetic of the SF6 Ions Fragmentation Under Effect of Strong RF Voltage

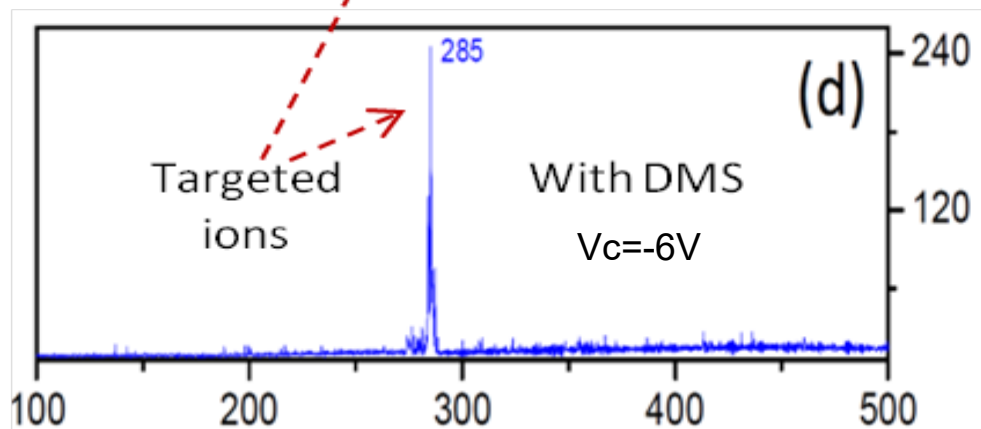
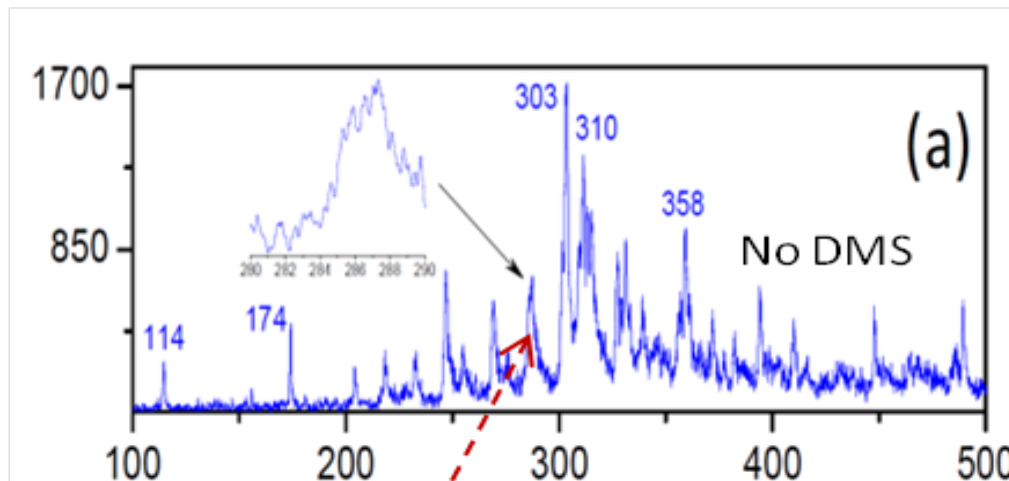
Transition under effect of strong electric field from  $\text{SF}_6^-$  to  $\text{SF}_5^-$



# Selective Detection and Identification Traces of Diazepam (m/z=285 Da) in Urine Samples in configuration when DMS Coupled to Mini10 Operated with DAPI



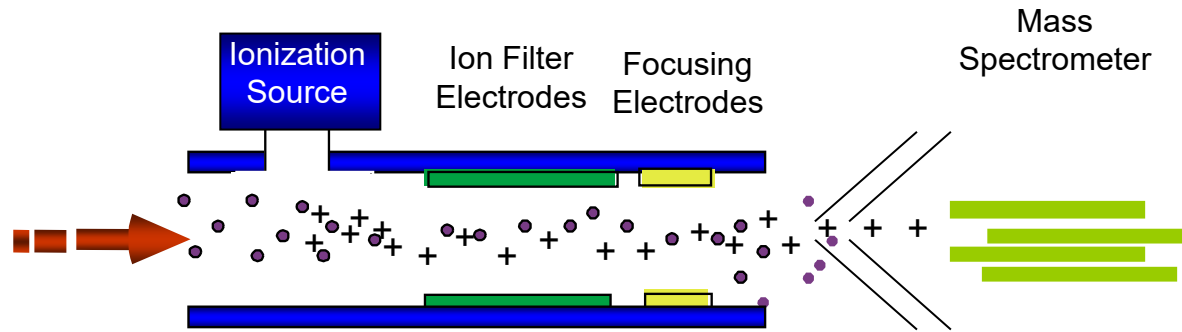
Mass spectra obtained with DMS pre-filtering on entrance of **Mini 10** operated in regime DAPI (samples introduction via a discontinuous atmospheric pressure interface)



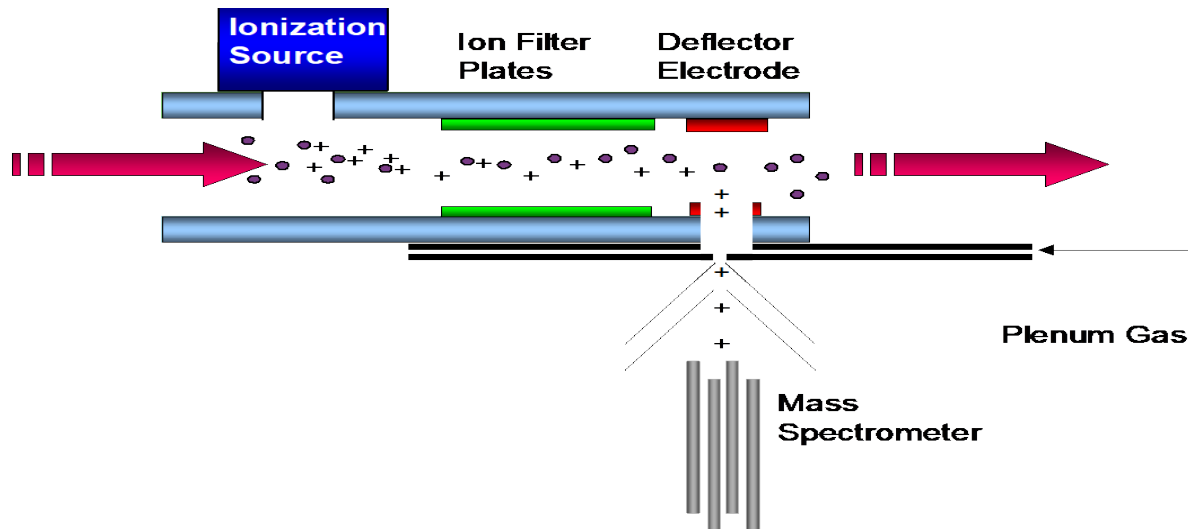
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# Planar DMS Designs for Ions Pre-separation in Front of Portable API MS(s) which have Limitation in Flow Rate for Samples Introduction.

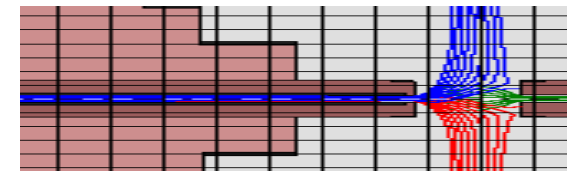
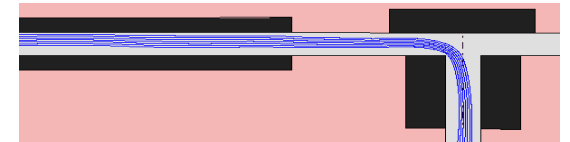
## 1) In-line design



## 2) Right angle design for minimization flow rate introduction in API MS orifice.



No significant ion losses at right angle DMS exhaust





## Summary: The interfacing DMS with mass spectrometry (MS) offers significant advantages over the use of mass spectrometry alone.

- Enriches chemicals' identification due to adding an additional ions characterization information
- It allows the in-situ comparison of mass spectra with and without ion pre-separation
- Provides detailed insight into ion gas-phase chemistry
- Reduces a chemical noise in MS spectra, which leads to enhancing sensitivity of a system
- We can claim that: Adding analyte ions pre-filtering especially valuable for portable MS(s) because additional information which provide a DMS can compensate the inevitably lost in the analytical performance of the portable MS systems in process of their miniaturization.