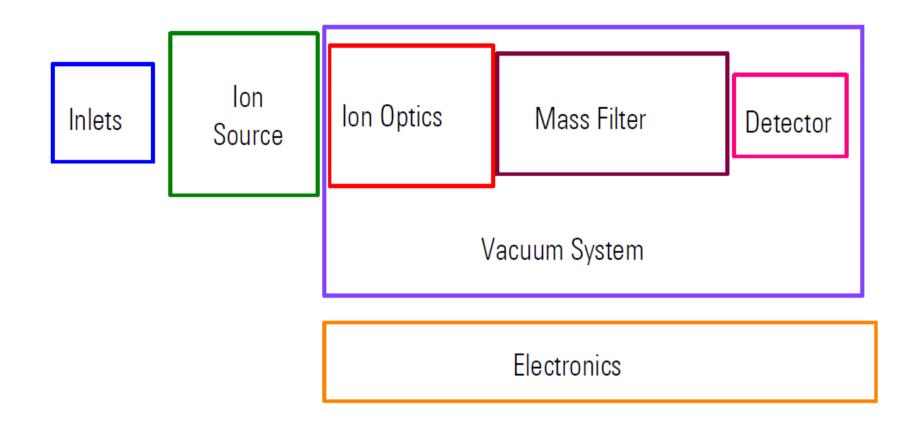
# Agilent 6000 LC-MS systems

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## **Functional Block Diagram**





## LC/MS Ion Sources for 6000 family

Widest choice of sources from any manufacturer

- Electrospray (ESI)
- JetStream (JS-ESI)
- Nanoelectrospray (nanoESI)
- APCI
- APPI
- PDF-MALDI
- Dual ESI and nanoESI sources for TOF and Q-TOF
- MultiMode Source
- ESI and APCI combined in one source
- Simultaneous operation
- HPLC-Chip/MS
- Nanoelectrospray made easy
- Reproducible results
- Sample processing on chip
- Most sources are interchangeable between MS platforms





# 6100B Single Quad LC/MS Family SIM/SCAN, universal LC detector











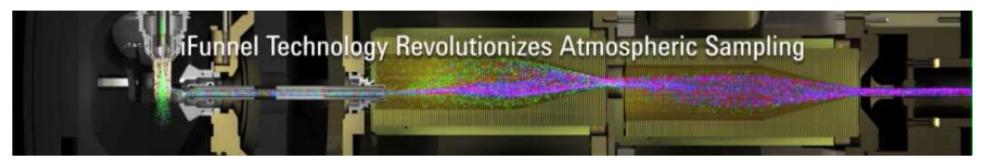
## 6490 Triple Quadrupole using iFunnel technology





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#### ...We need to captures much more ions



#### Jet Stream sampling

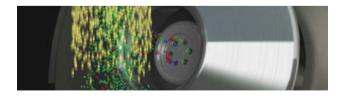
- Thermal confinement of ESI plume
- Efficient desolvation to create gas phase ions
- Creates an ion rich zone

#### **Hexabore Capillary**

- 6 capillary inlets
- Samples 10X more ion rich gas from the source
- Captures the majority of the gas from the source region

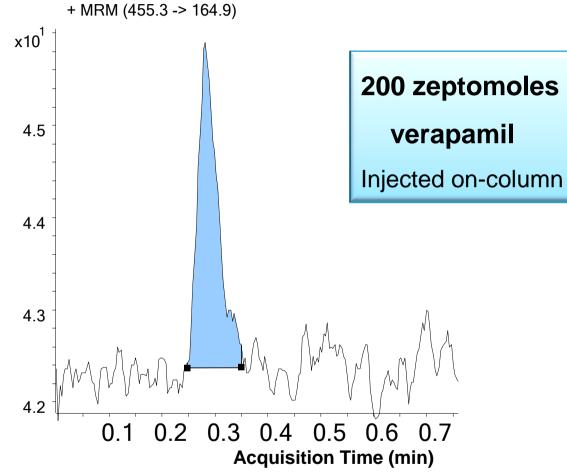
#### **Dual Ion Funnel**

- Removes the gas but captures the ions
- Removes neutral noise
- Extends turbo pump life





## iFunnel system achieves Zeptomolar Detection Limits...





# Triple Quadrupole working modes, MS/MS level, both quads can be in SIM/SCAN

Product ion scan – SIM/SCAN

Precursor ion scan – SCAN/SIM

Neutral loss/gain...

But over 90% of applications uses

#### SRM (MRM) – SIM/SIM

Still the most sensitive solution for quantitative applications



## **MassHunter Optimizer**

#### Automated MRM Method Development Software for 6400 series Triple Quad LC/MS

Compound-specific optimization for MRM experiments

- Selection and optimization of precursor ion and fragment ions
- Support of optimization with multiple methods (e.g. pos/neg)
- Creation of a compound database with optimized results

#### WITHOUT Optimizer:

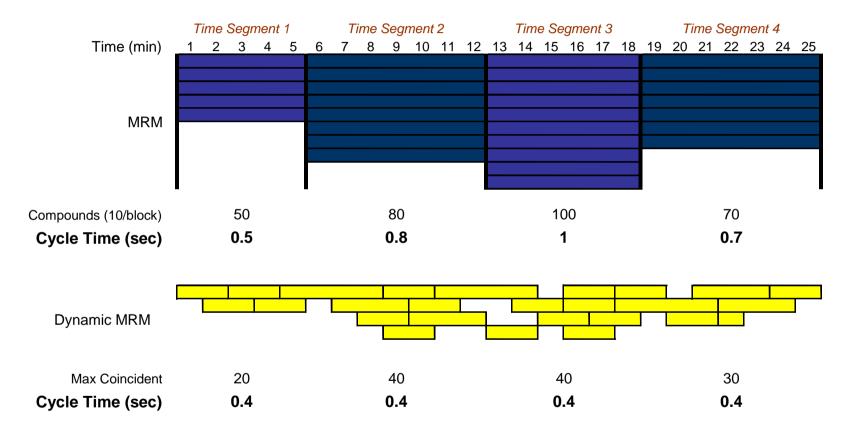
Manual optimization for multiple compounds
*WEEKS of tedious interactive work!*

#### WITH Optimizer:

Optimization can be fully automated
*> One or two days unattended work!*



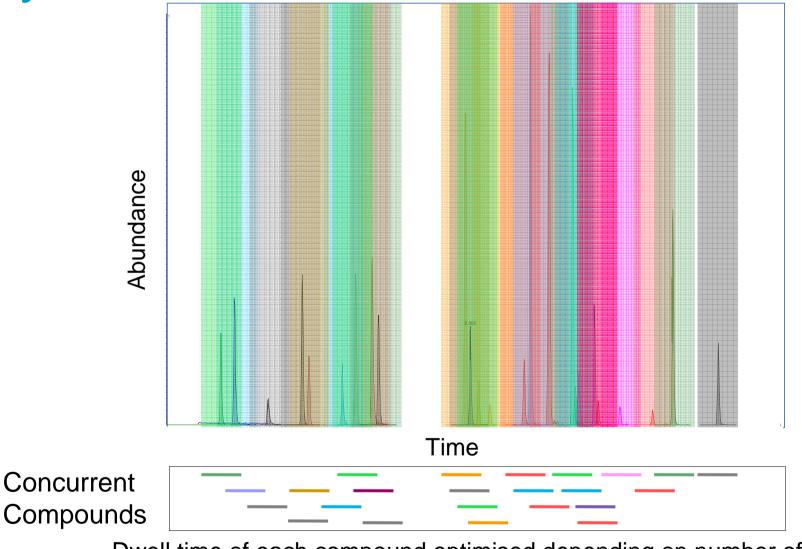
#### MassHunter "Dynamic MRM" Allows 10,000 MRMs per analysis!



Cycle time remains constant maintaining equal number of data points across all peaks – dwell time is automatically optimised to achieve this



#### **Dynamic MRM Simulation**

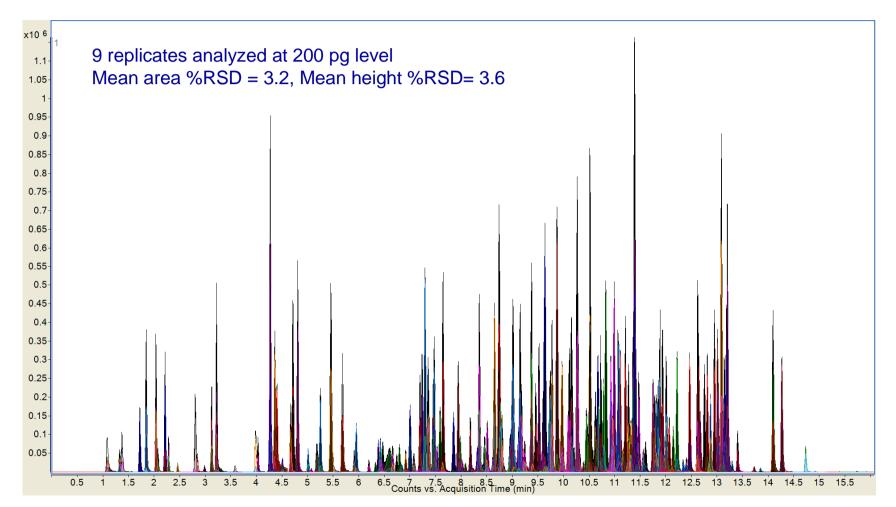


Dwell time of each compound optimised depending on number of eluting compounds so total cycle time is constant



### Analysis of 300 Compounds in 15 min.

Agilent 1290 Infinity LC + 6460A Triple Quad with Agilent Jet Stream Technology ~600 Dynamic MRM Transitions





## iFunnel technology in mass spectrometry

- new, more efficient ion transport
- increase in sensitivity
- simplifies sample prep
- reduction of the noise
- compact design





6490 Triple Quadrupole LC/MS System with iFunnel Technology



#### Qualitative MS and MS/MS instruments TOFs & Q-TOFs





## Benefits of TOF Technology Applied to Non-Targeted Profiling Applications

- Full Spectral Acquisition
  - All the Data All the time: Find and identify unexpected compounds
  - Accurate Mass Database Searching and Reporting (PCD)
- Automatic TOF Instrument Set-up
  - Full Auto-tune facility for ease of use across complete mass range
  - No instrument or compound optimisation required minimal method development
- Fast, Sensitive, Full Scan Data Acquisition
  - Up to 40 Hz data acquisition rate with no loss of resolution or mass accuracy
  - Allows ultra high resolution chromatographic separations
  - Picogram sensitivity



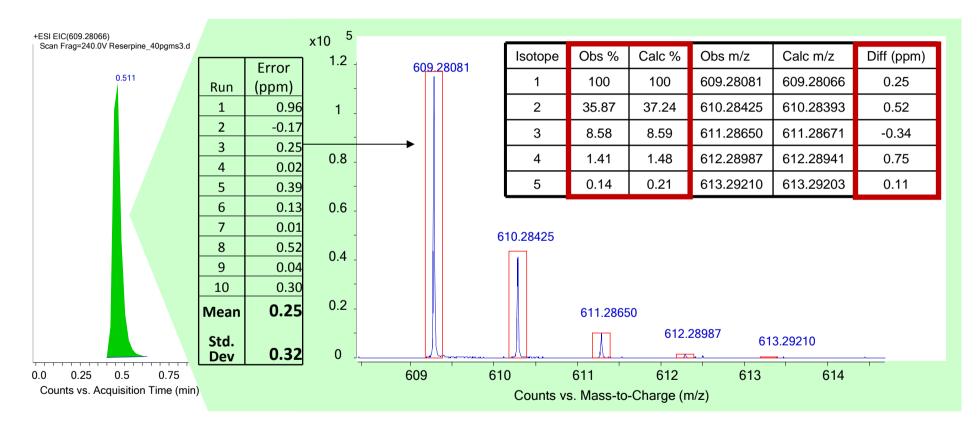
## **Keys to Success for Profiling Applications**

- Sensitivity
  - Low picogram
- Resolution
  - Chromatographic resolution (separation in time)
  - Spectral resolution (m/z separation)
- Dynamic Range
  - Important in identifying major and minor components in the same sample
- Accuracy
  - Chromatographic accuracy (retention time stability)
  - Spectral accuracy (MS and MSMS)
- Data Mining Tools
  - Find the compounds and identify



## 6540 Ultra High Definition QTOF

Typical Mass Accuracy better than 500 ppb with accurate isotope ratios



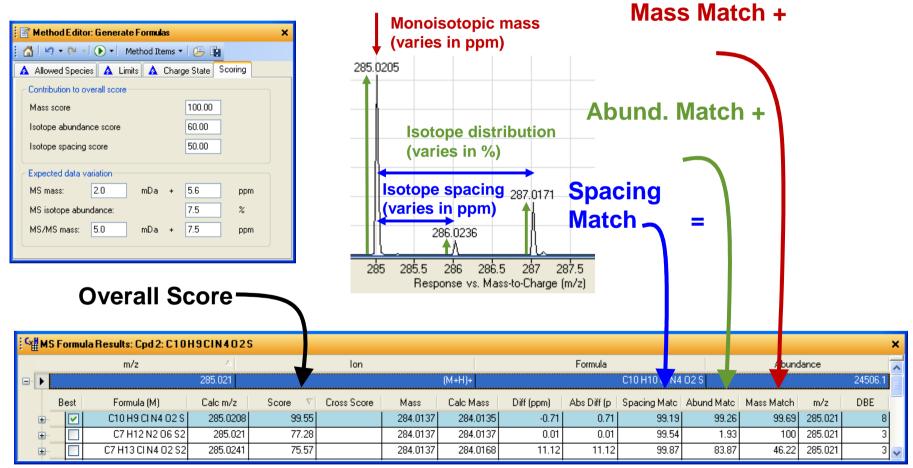
# Mass accuracy of each isotope and isotope ratios are used for determination of Molecular Formula



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#### Molecular Formula Generation (MFG) Algorithm Use All Available Information

#### Scoring based on

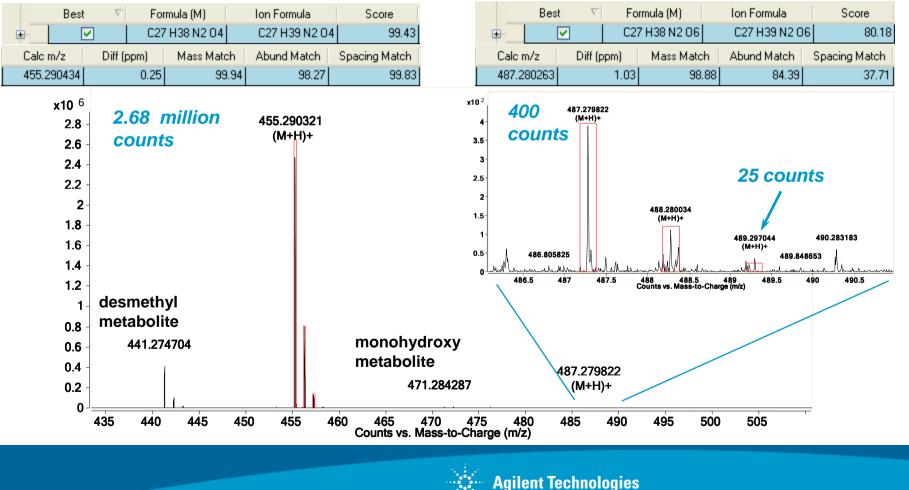


Without use of isotope information, the first hit would have been incorrect!



### Wide Dynamic Range: Co-eluting Metabolites with Parent Drug

#### Five decades of response in a single scan



#### verapamil

dihydroxy metabolite of verapamil

### **Metabolite Identification Schemes**

#### ID compounds of interest

- Fiehn GC/MS Metabolomics Library
- METLIN AMRT Database (LC/MS)
- Molecular Formula Generation (MFG)
- Accurate mass MS/MS confirmation
- METLIN MS/MS library

#### ID of "true unknown"

- Acquire targeted MS/MS on organic synthesized compounds (based on hypothesized structure)
- Create spectral library
- Isolate compound and do NMR (needs time, cost and money)





#### **METLIN Personal Database**

Metabolite-specific database for LCMS metabolomics research

- Developed with Scripps Institute
- Contains ~23,000 compounds
  - ~8000 lipids from LipidMaps
- Manual and batch searches
  - Query based on Empirical formula or accurate mass & retention time
- Customizable
  - Add compounds
  - Assign chromatographic retention times to metabolites
  - Create subset databases
  - Add MS/MS spectra



