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**Lactoferrin-derived Peptides Active towards Influenza:
Identification of Three Potent Tetrapeptide Inhibitors**

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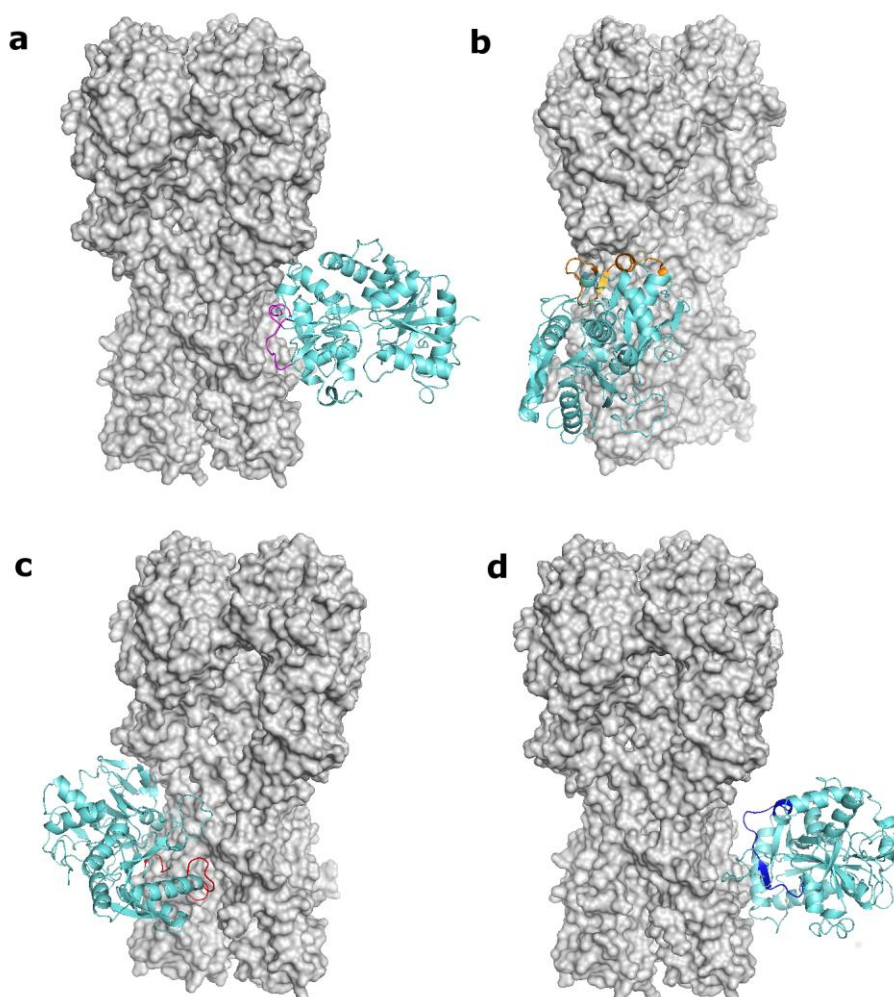


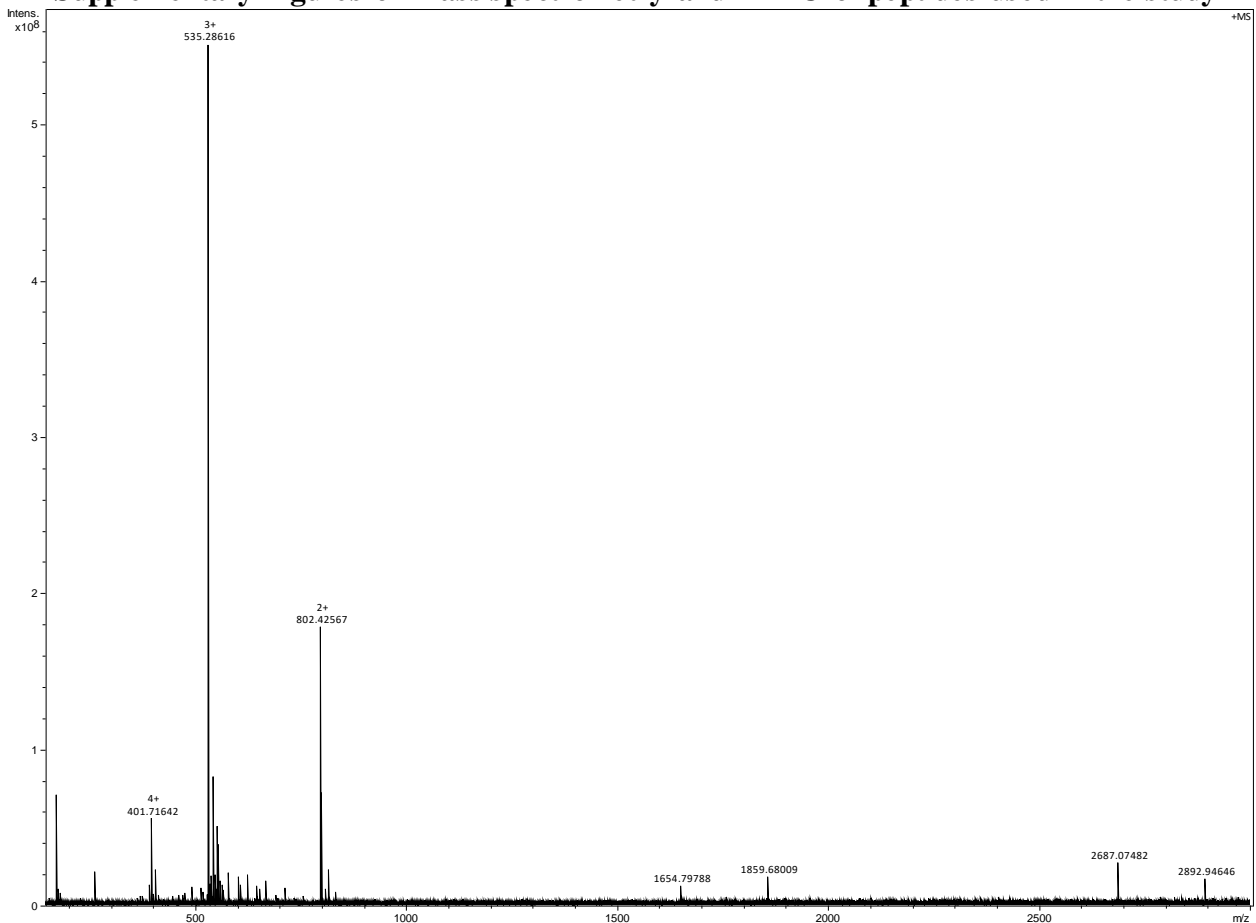
Figure S1. Docked poses of the bLf C-lobe (cyan cartoon) on the HA (grey surface) highlighting the potential role of selected loop sequences. Selected sequences are colored: a) peptide **4** (purple); b) peptide **5** (orange); c) peptides **7** and **8** (red); d) peptide **9** (blue).

Table S1. Analytical data of peptides 4-17.

| Pep. | Sequence | HPLC k' ^a | HRMS |
|------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| 4 | KANEGLTWNSLKDK | 6.47 | 1602.85134 |
| 5 | TGSCAFDEFFSQSCAPGADPKSR | 6.89 | 2408.02628 |
| 6 | TNGESTADWAKN | 5.07 | 1292.58779 |
| 7 | GKNGKNCPDKFC | 4.26 | 1308.58370 |
| 8 | KSETKN | 5.22 | 706.37420 |
| 9 | NDNTECLAKLGGRPTYEE | 5.76 | 2009.92731 |
| 10 | NRKSSKHSSLDCVLRPTEGY | 6.08 | 2278.15056 |
| 11 | NRKSSKHSSLDCVLRP | 5.71 | 1825.98013 |
| 12 | SKHSSLDCVLRPTEGY | 2.45 | 1791.87152 |
| 13 | SLDCVLRP | 6.67 | 901.49417 |
| 14 | VLRP | 5.70 | 525.35082 |
| 15 | SLDC | 3.93 | 477.18970 |
| 16 | SKHSSLDC | 4.14 | 876.38864 |
| 17 | SKHS | 4.68 | 499.26235 |

^ak'=[(peptide retention time-solvent retention time)/solvent retention time].

Supplementary figures of Mass spectrometry and HPLC of peptides used in the study



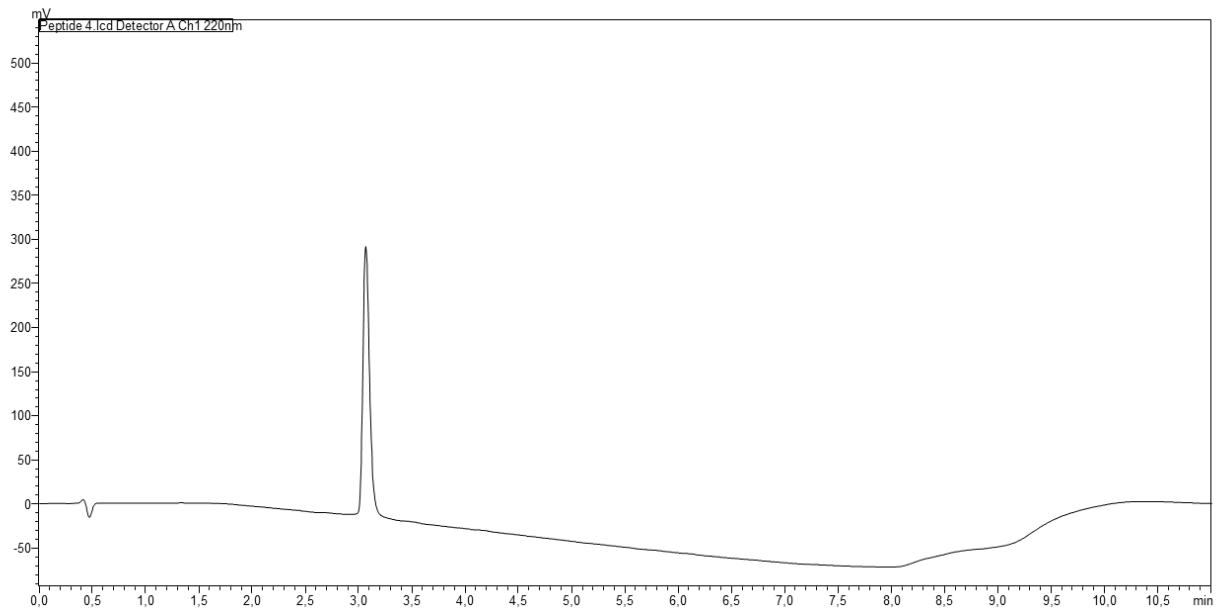
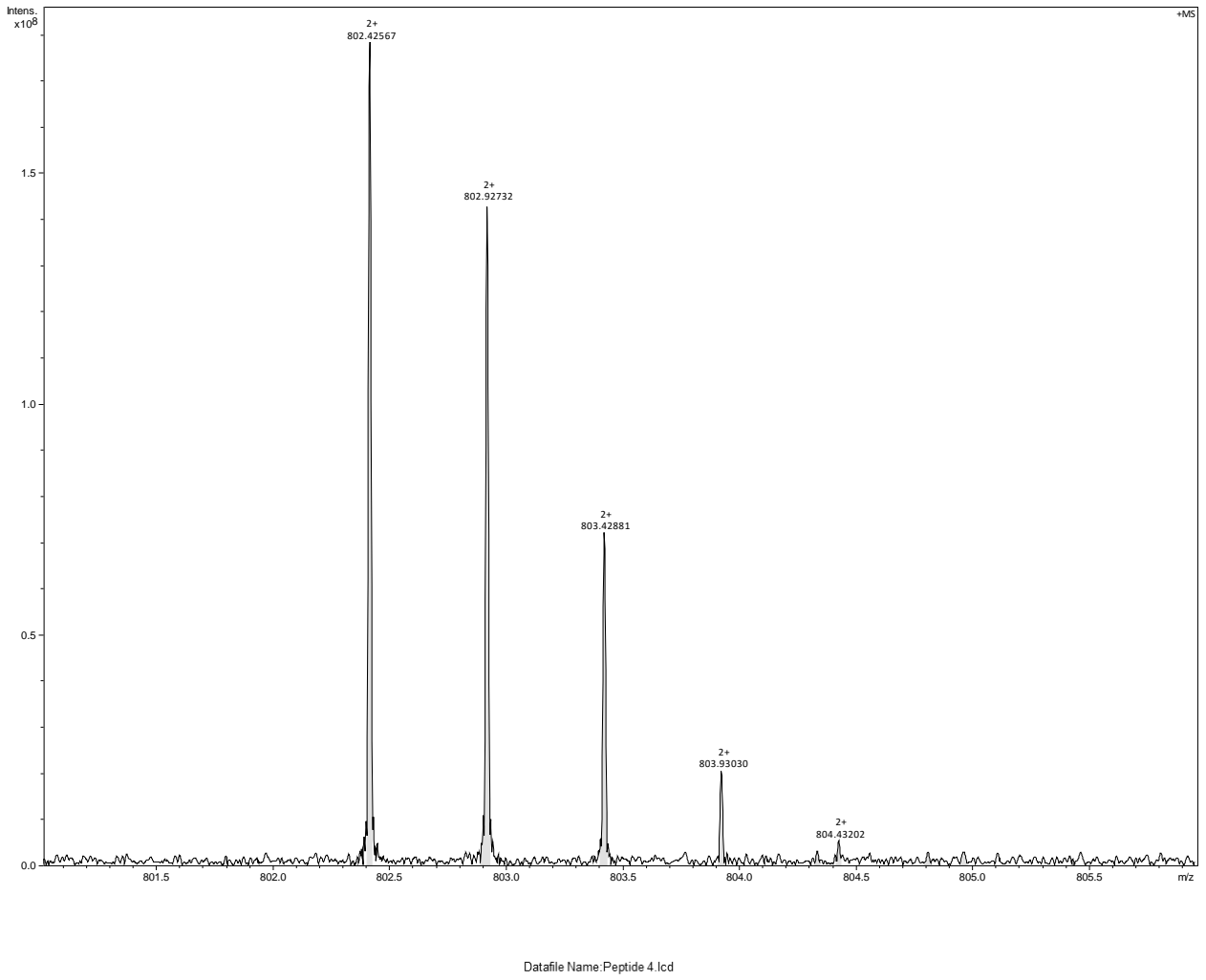
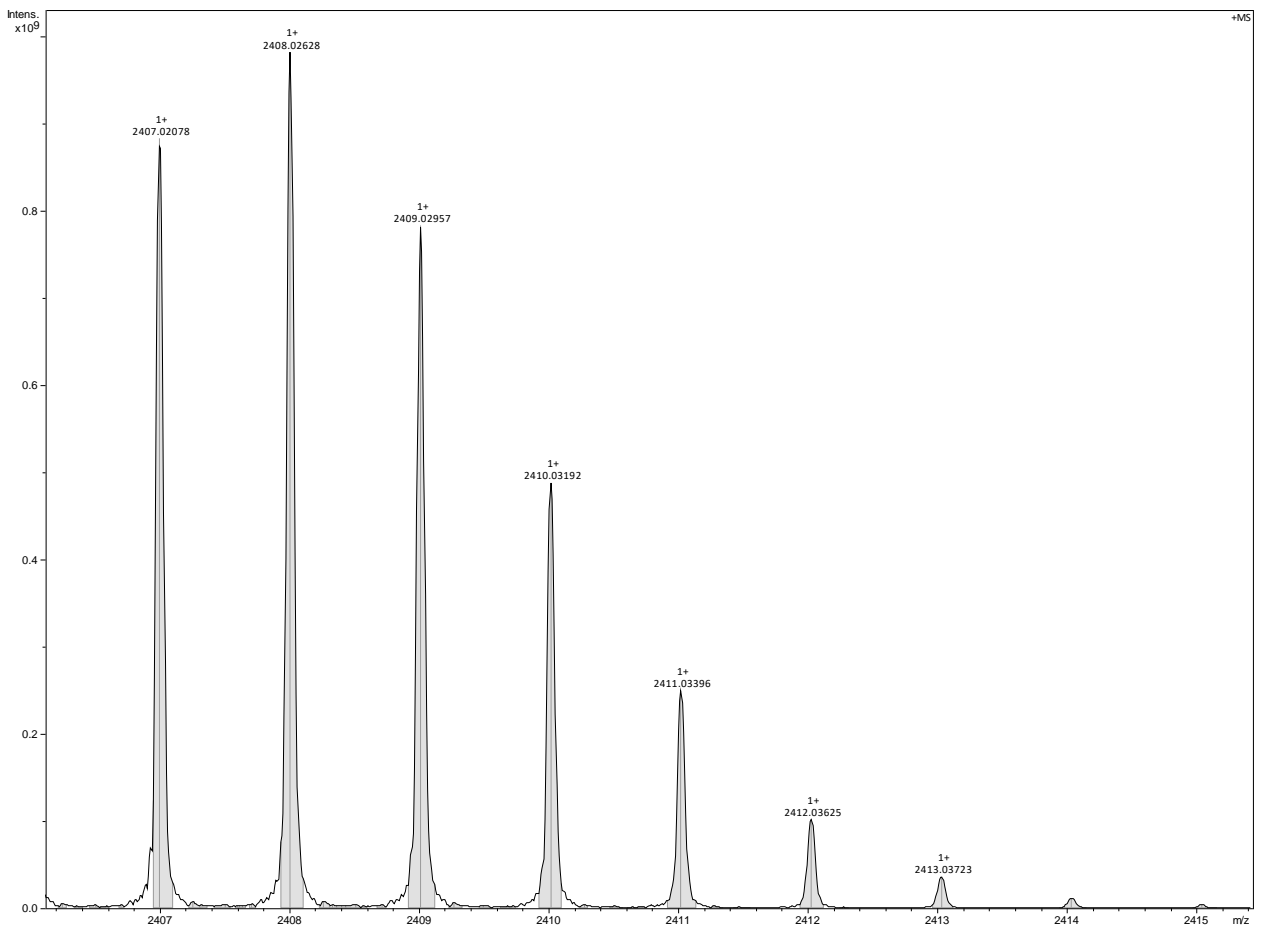
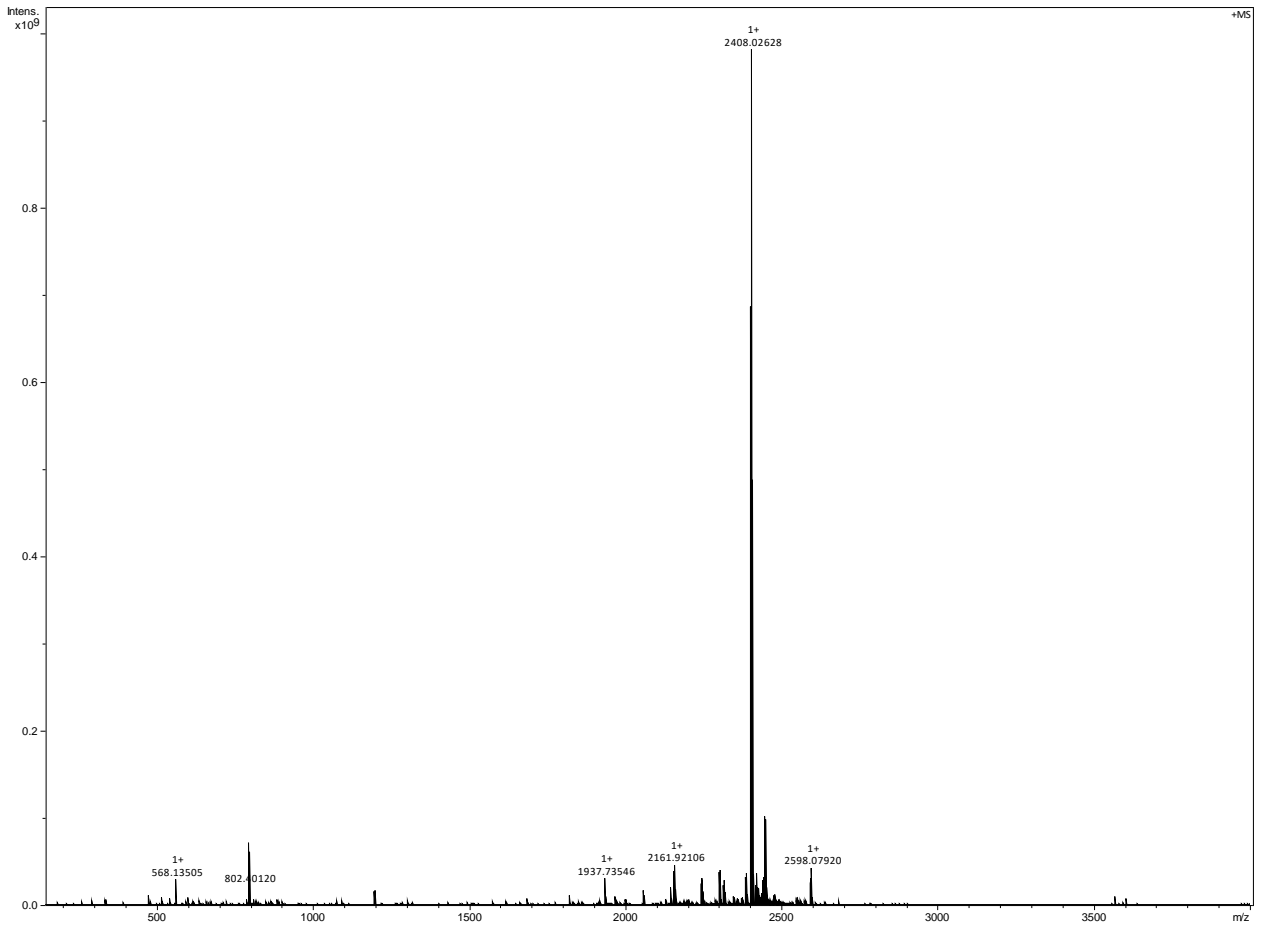


Figure S2. HR-ESI-MS of Peptide 4 ion $[M+H]^{2+}$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.

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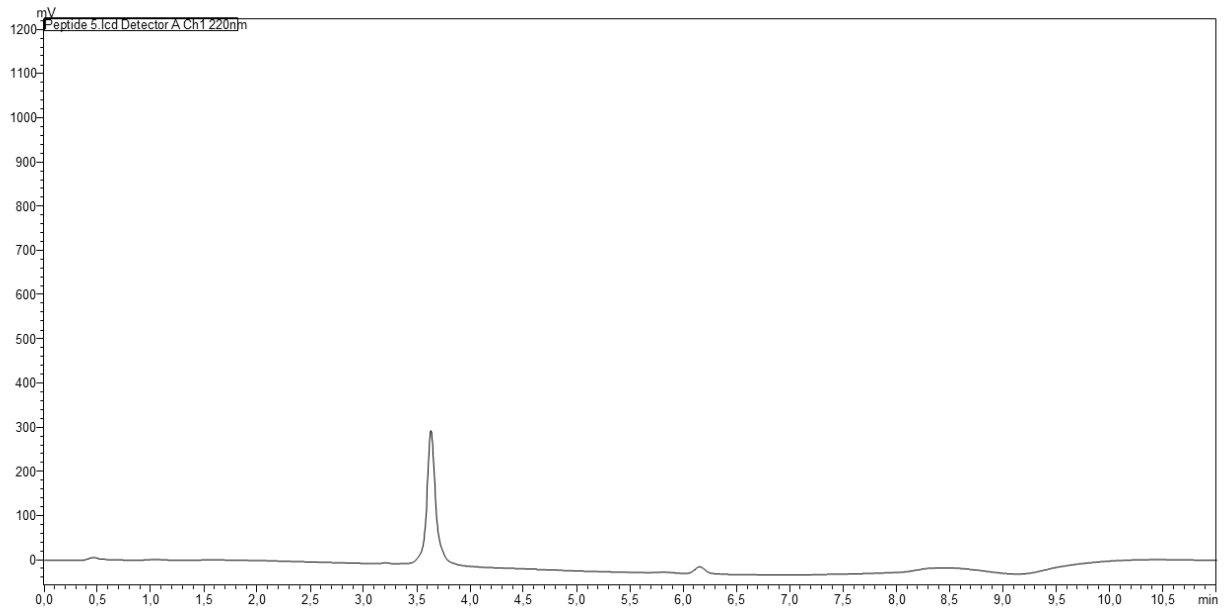
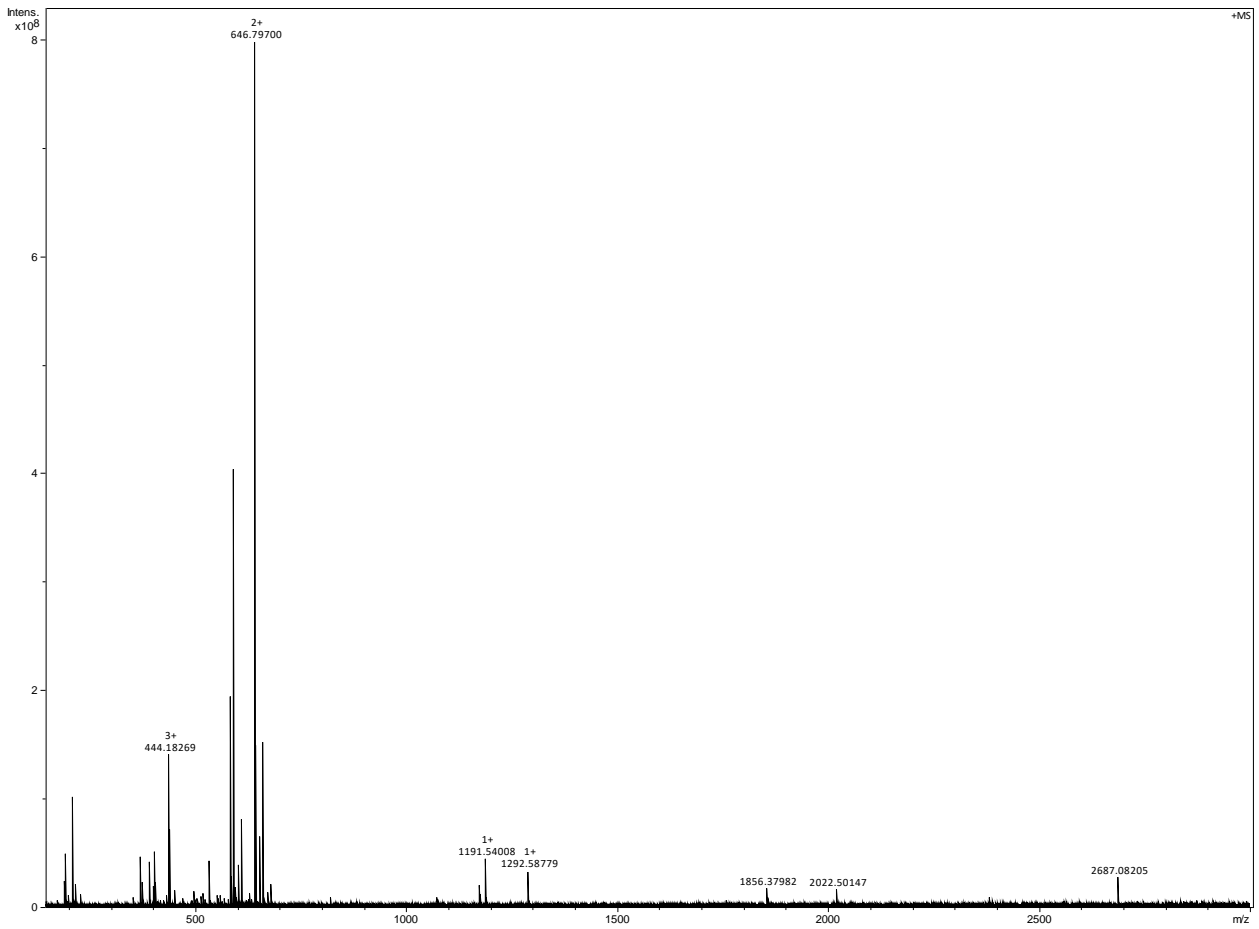


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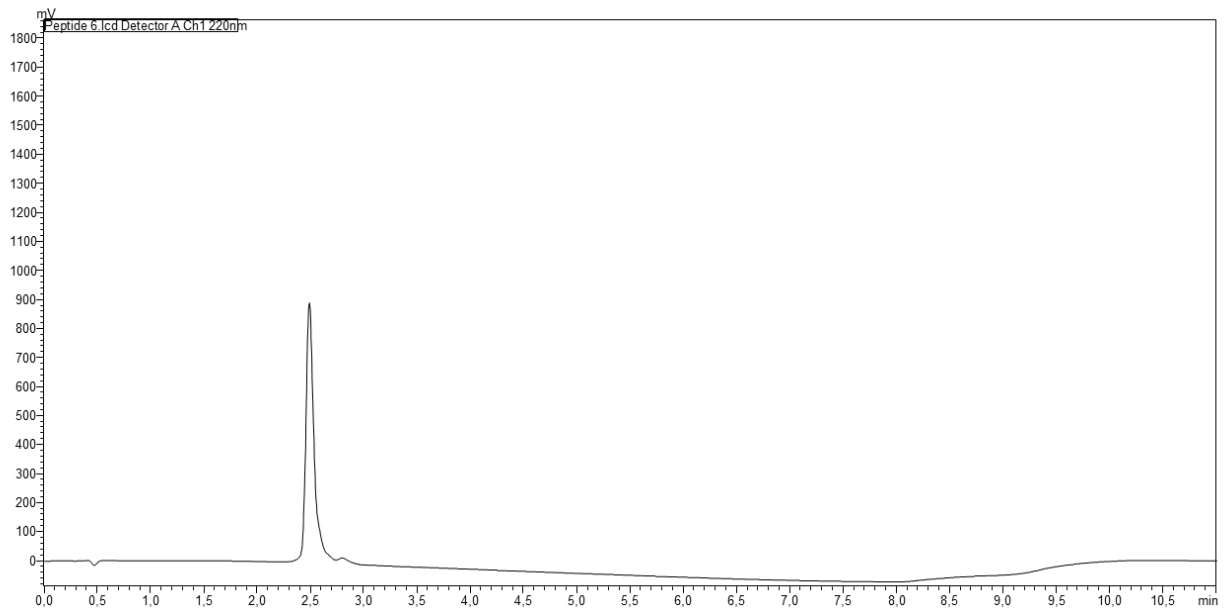
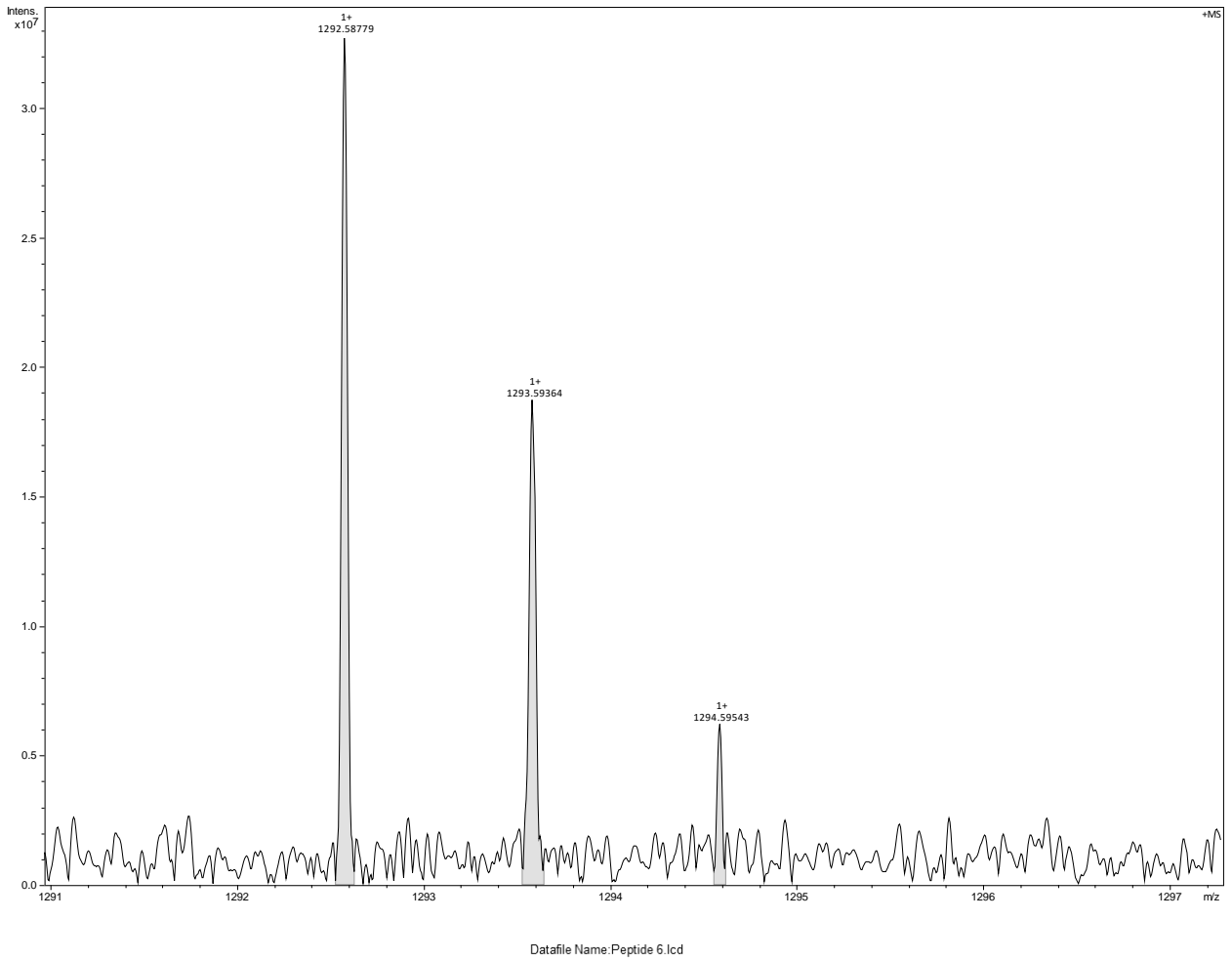
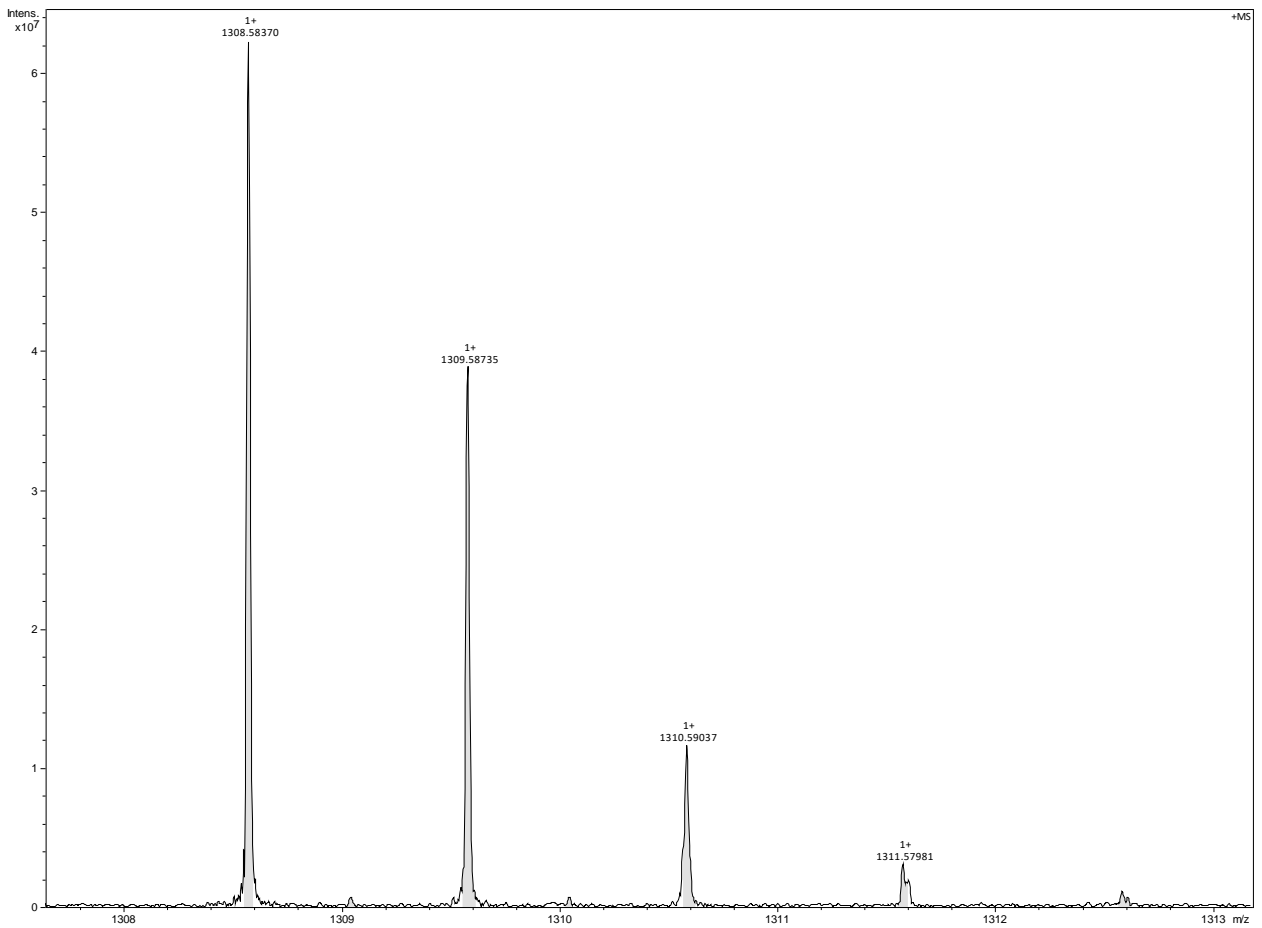
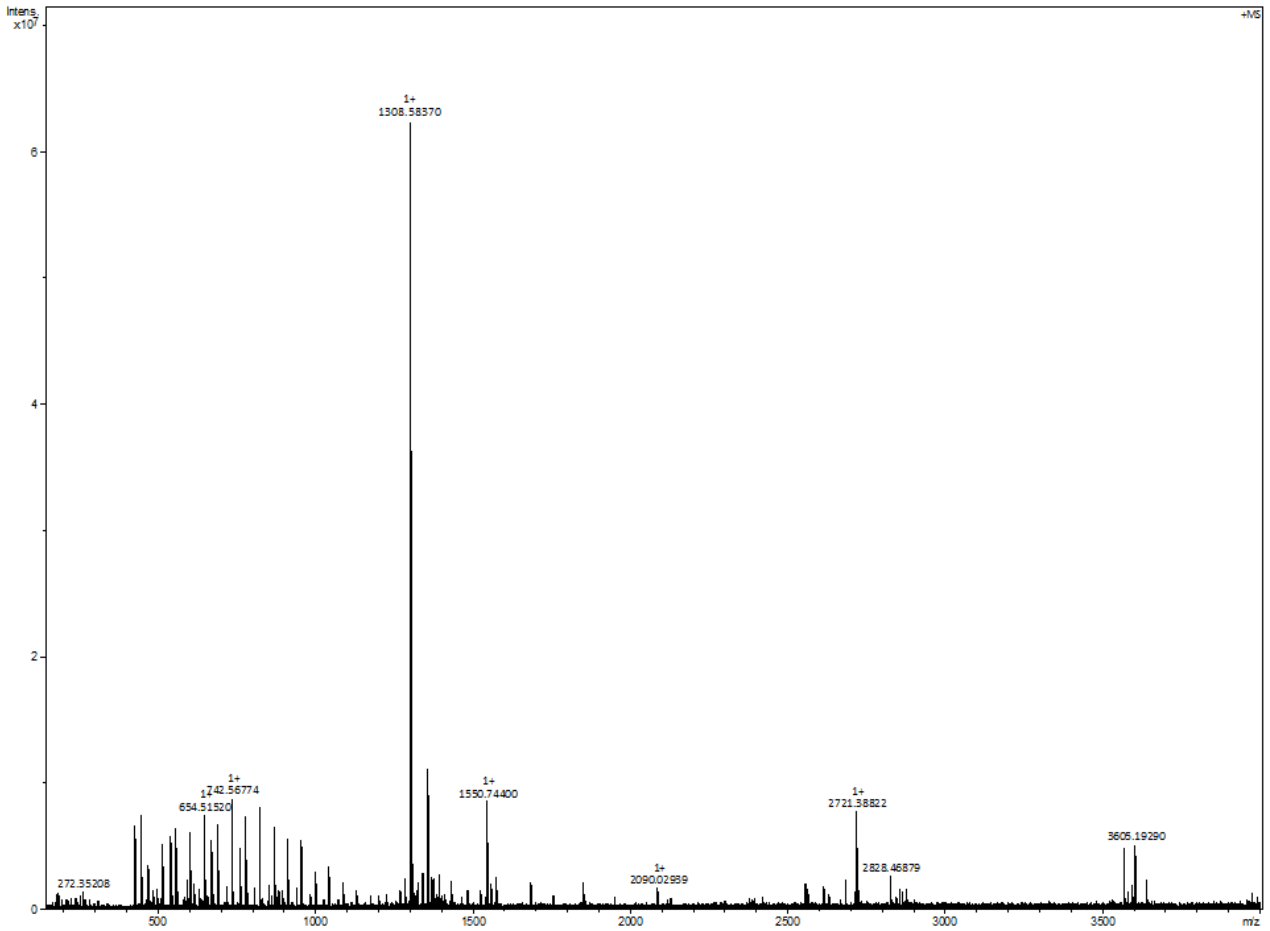


Figure S4. HR-ESI-MS of Peptide 6 ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.

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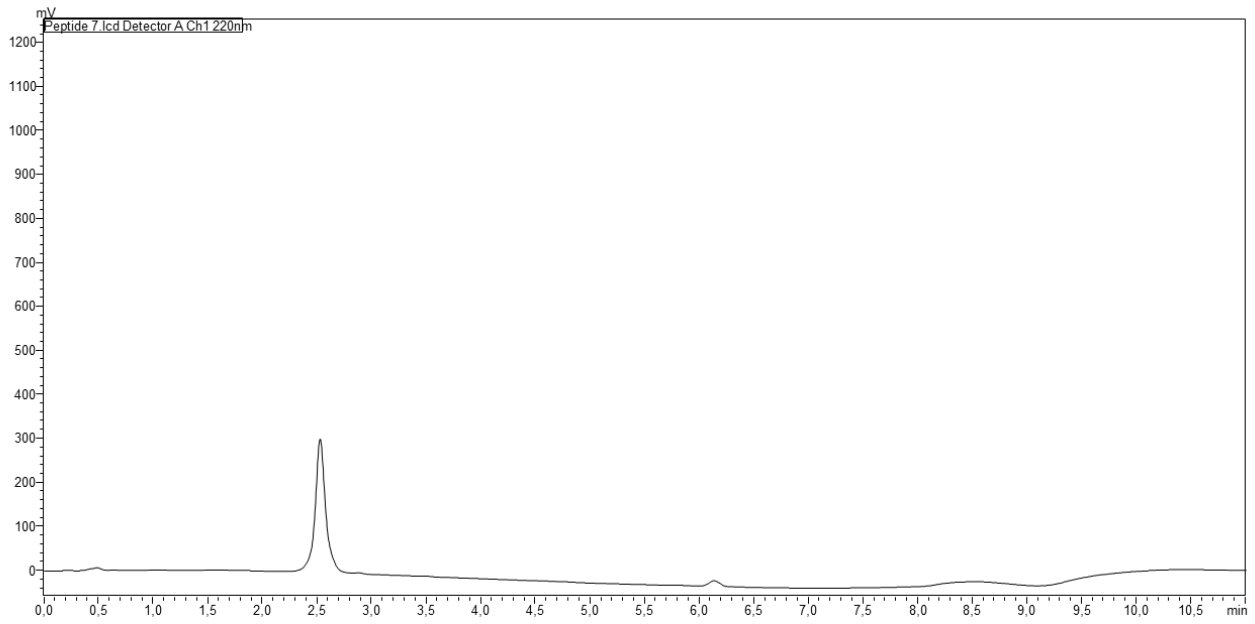
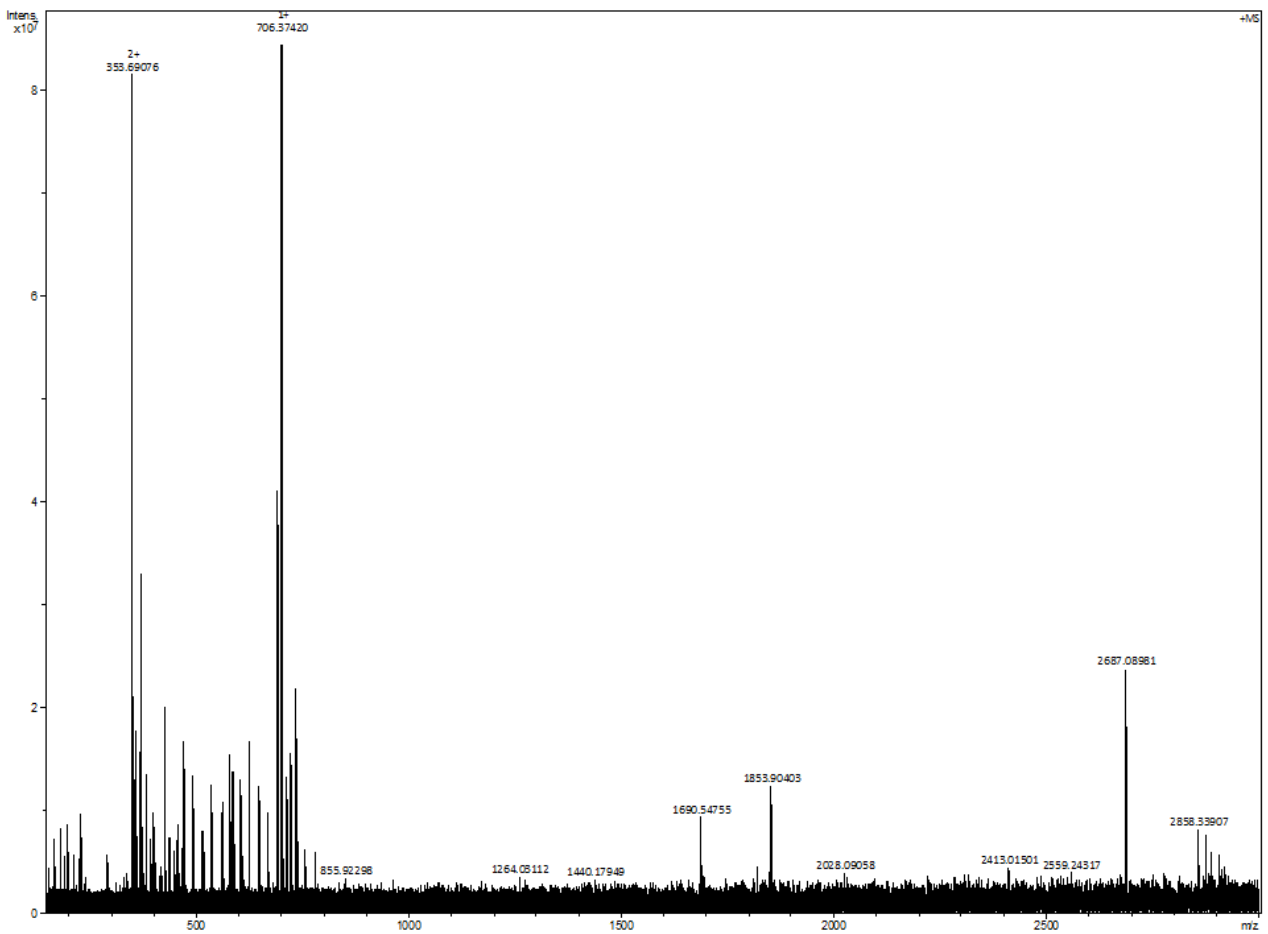


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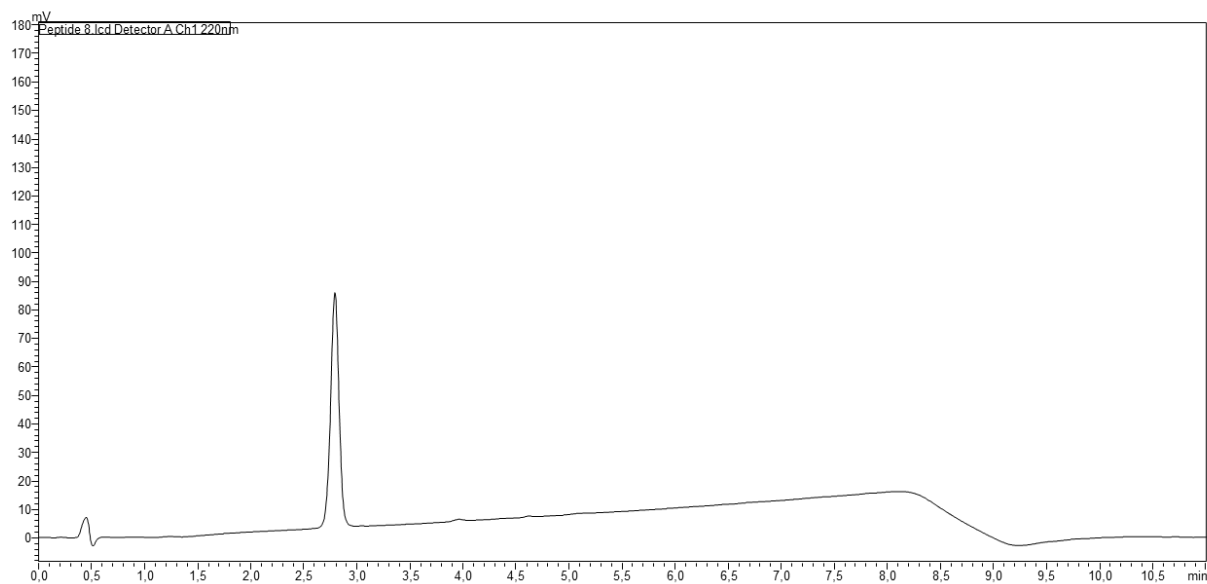
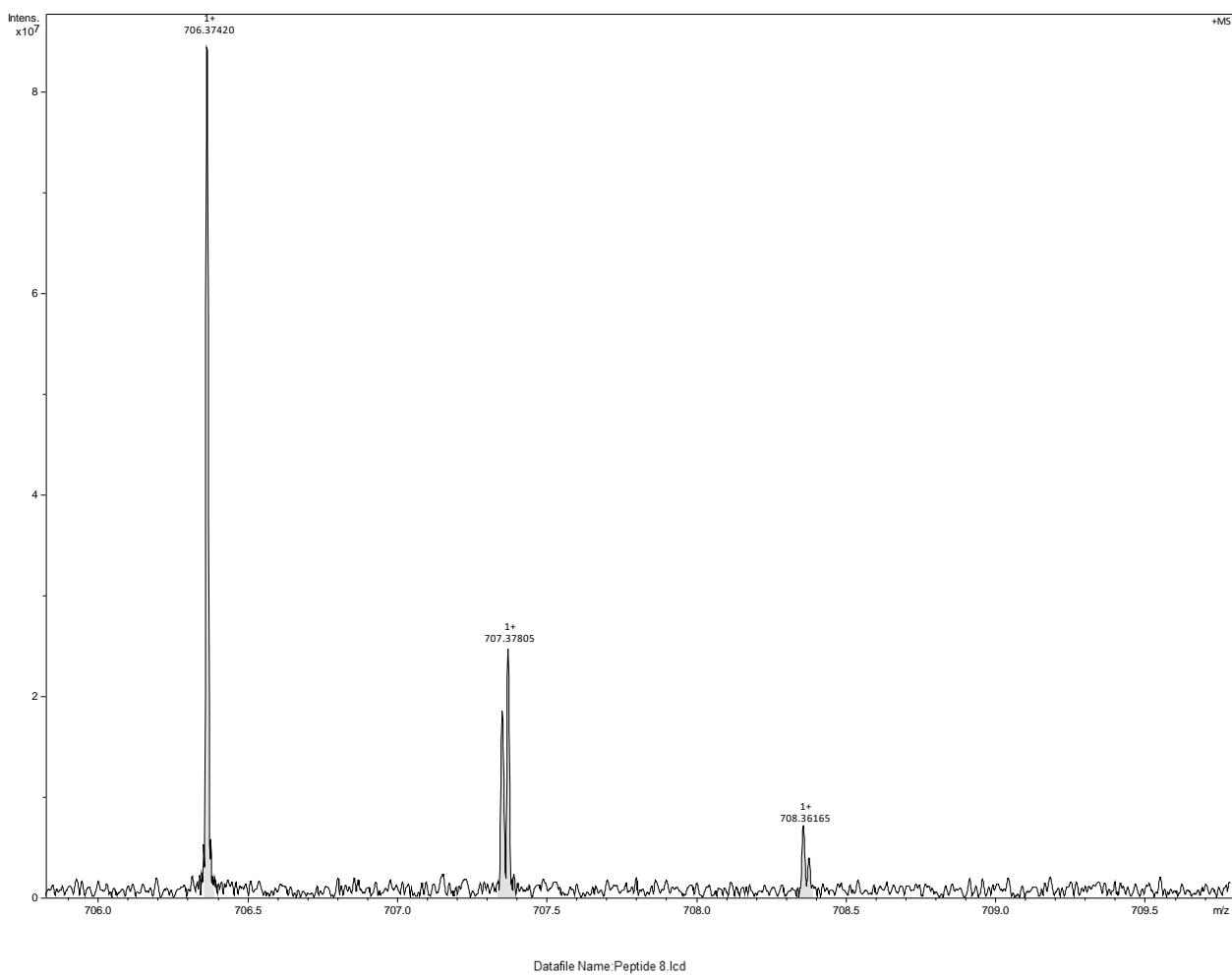
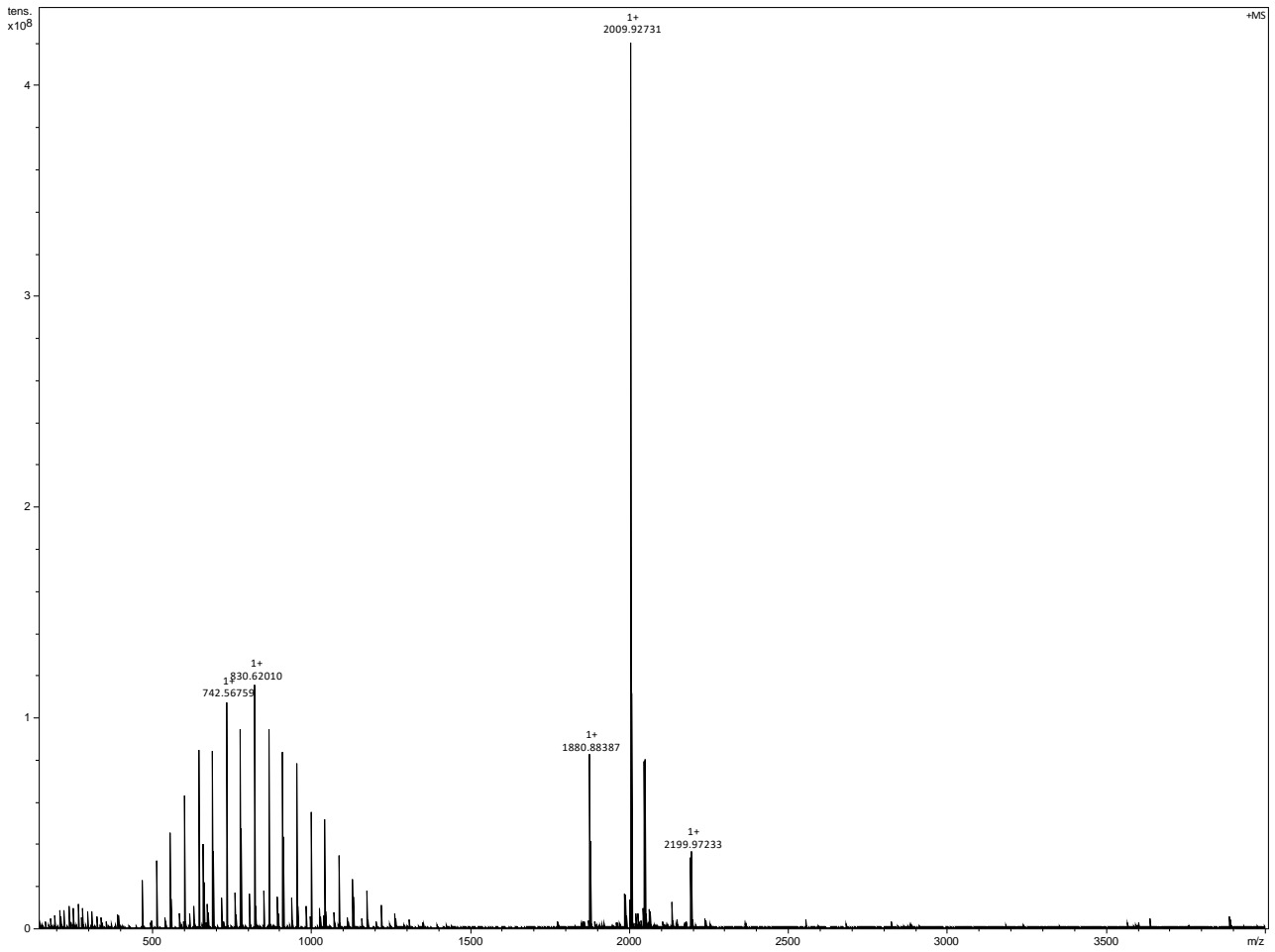


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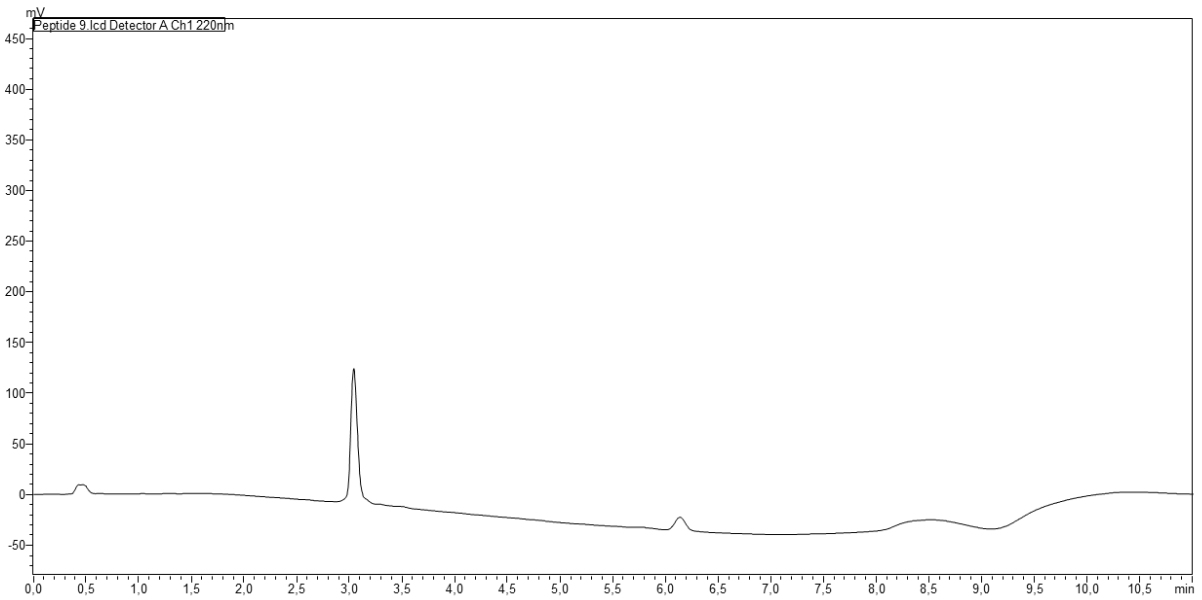
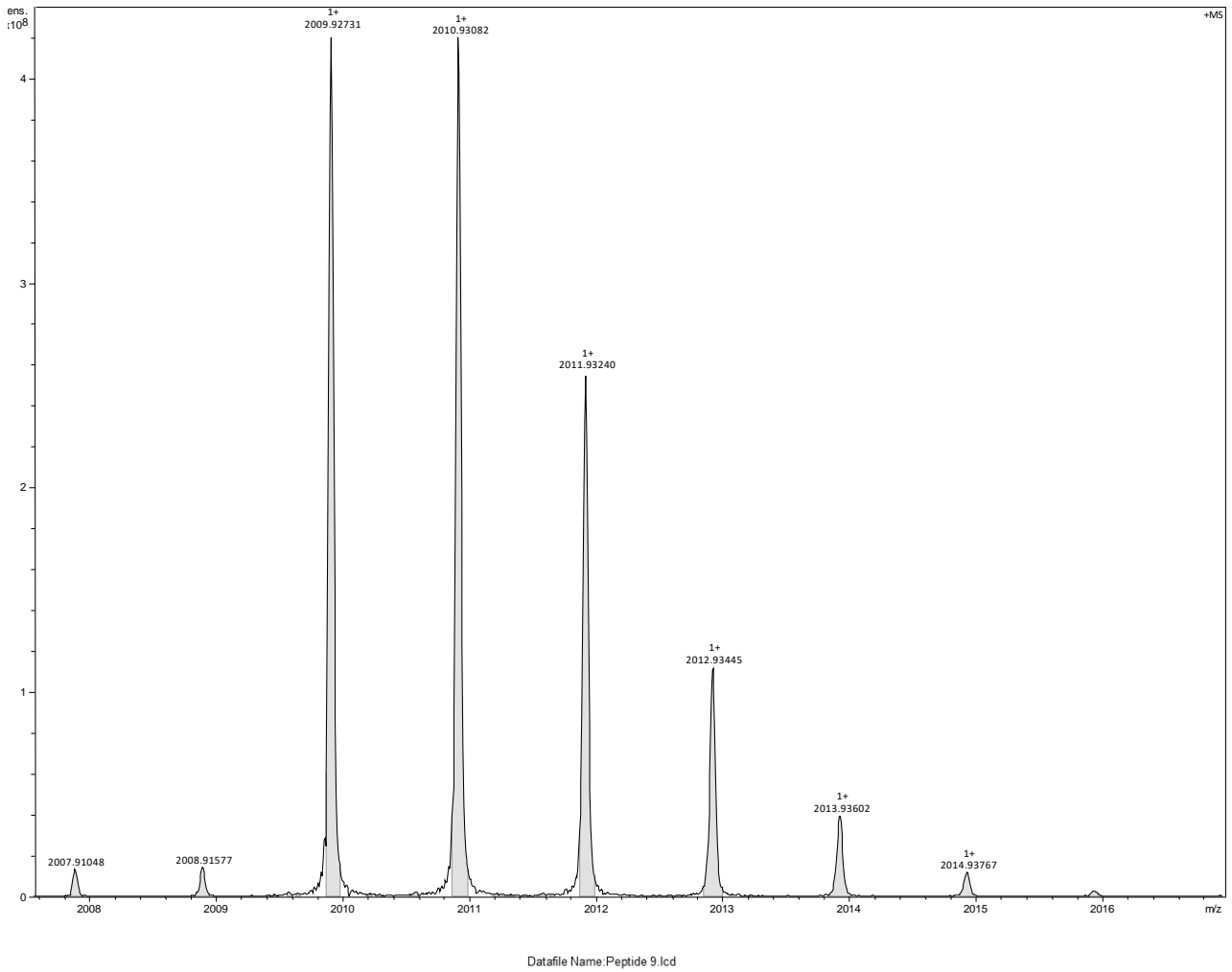
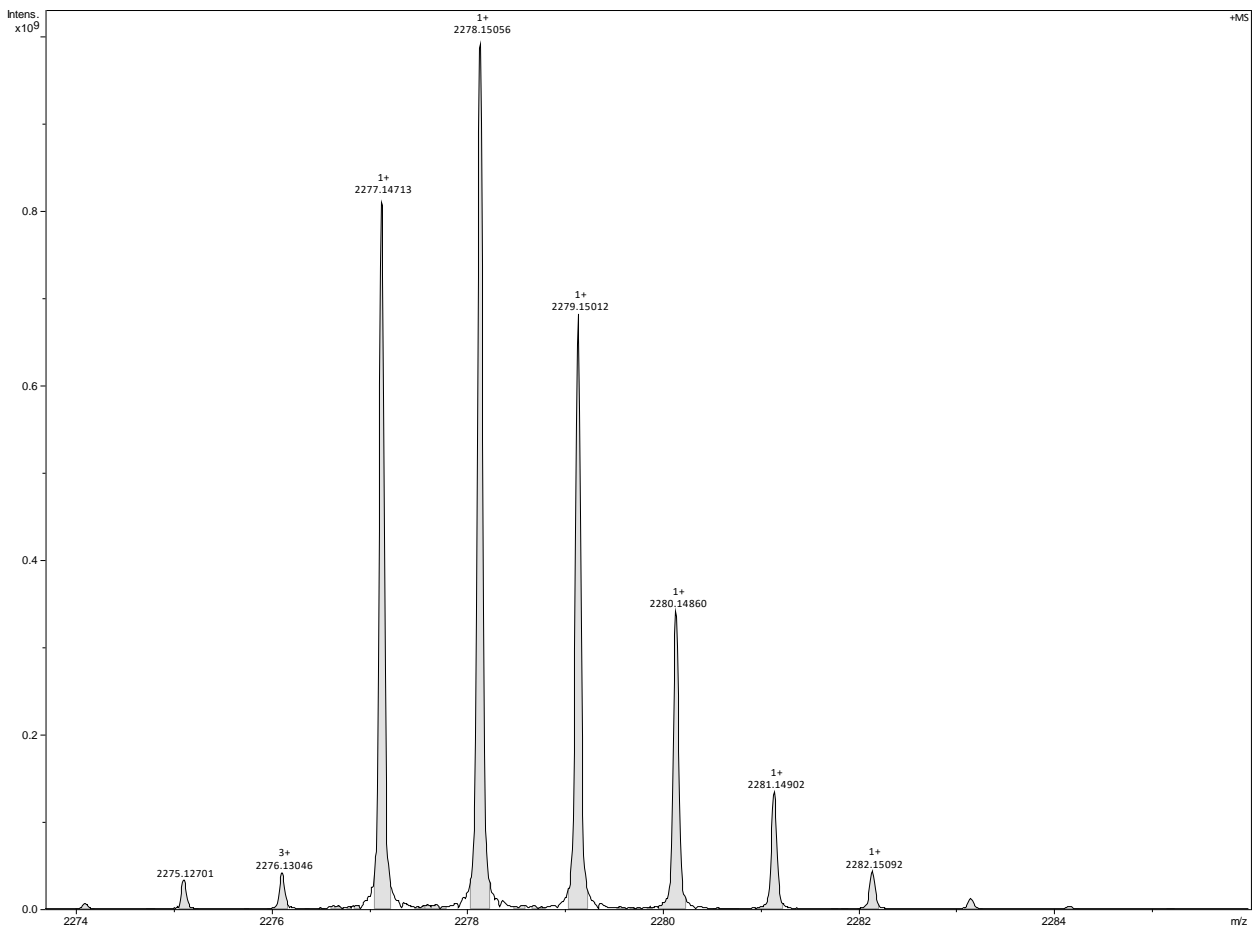
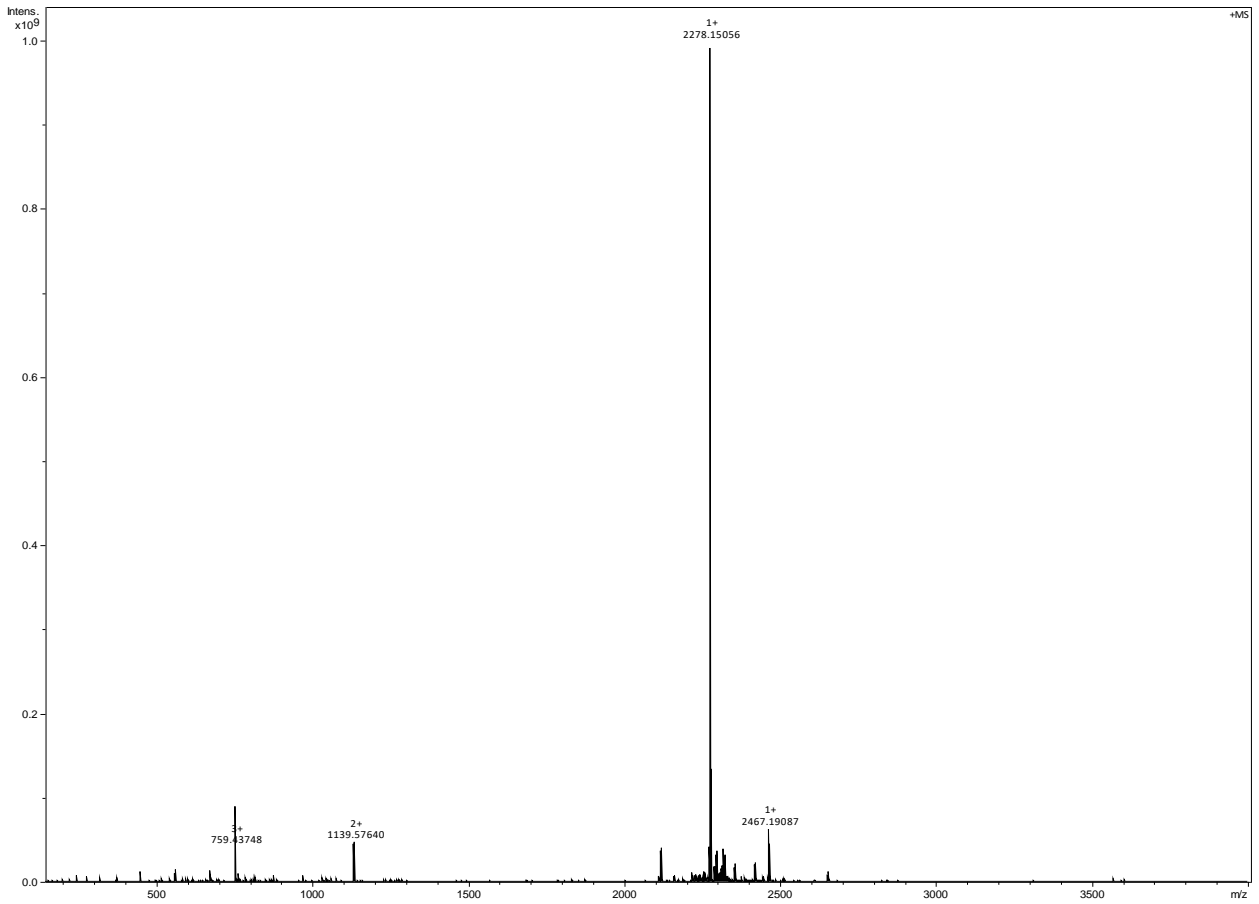


Figure S7. HR-MALDI-MS of Peptide 9 ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.

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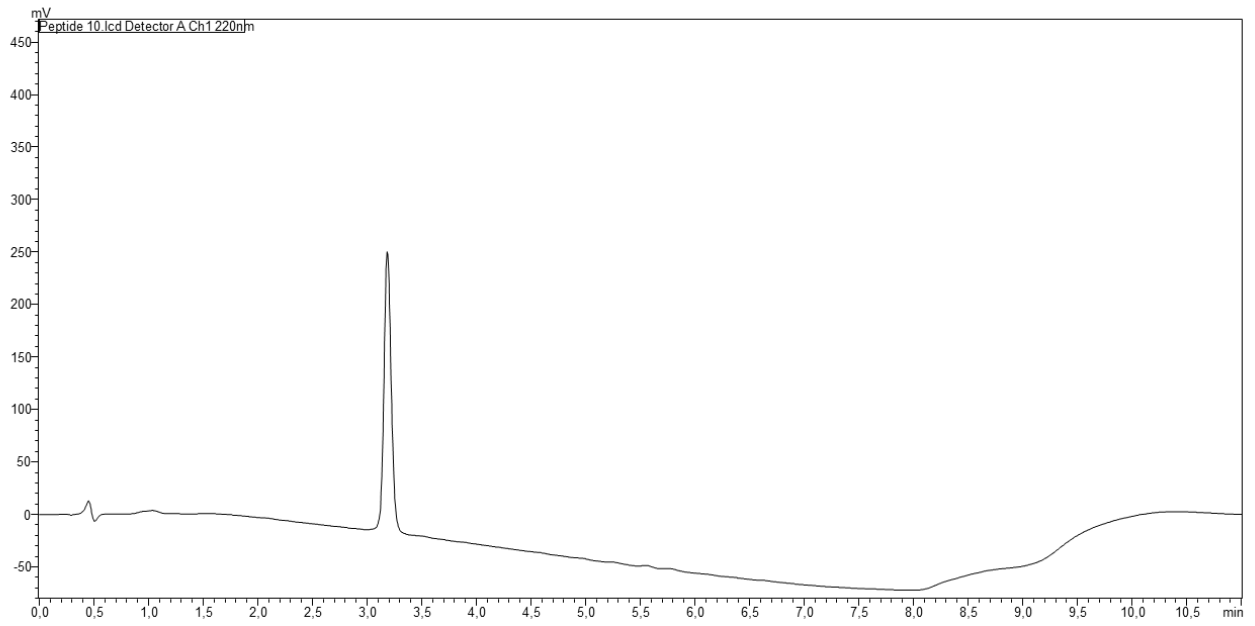
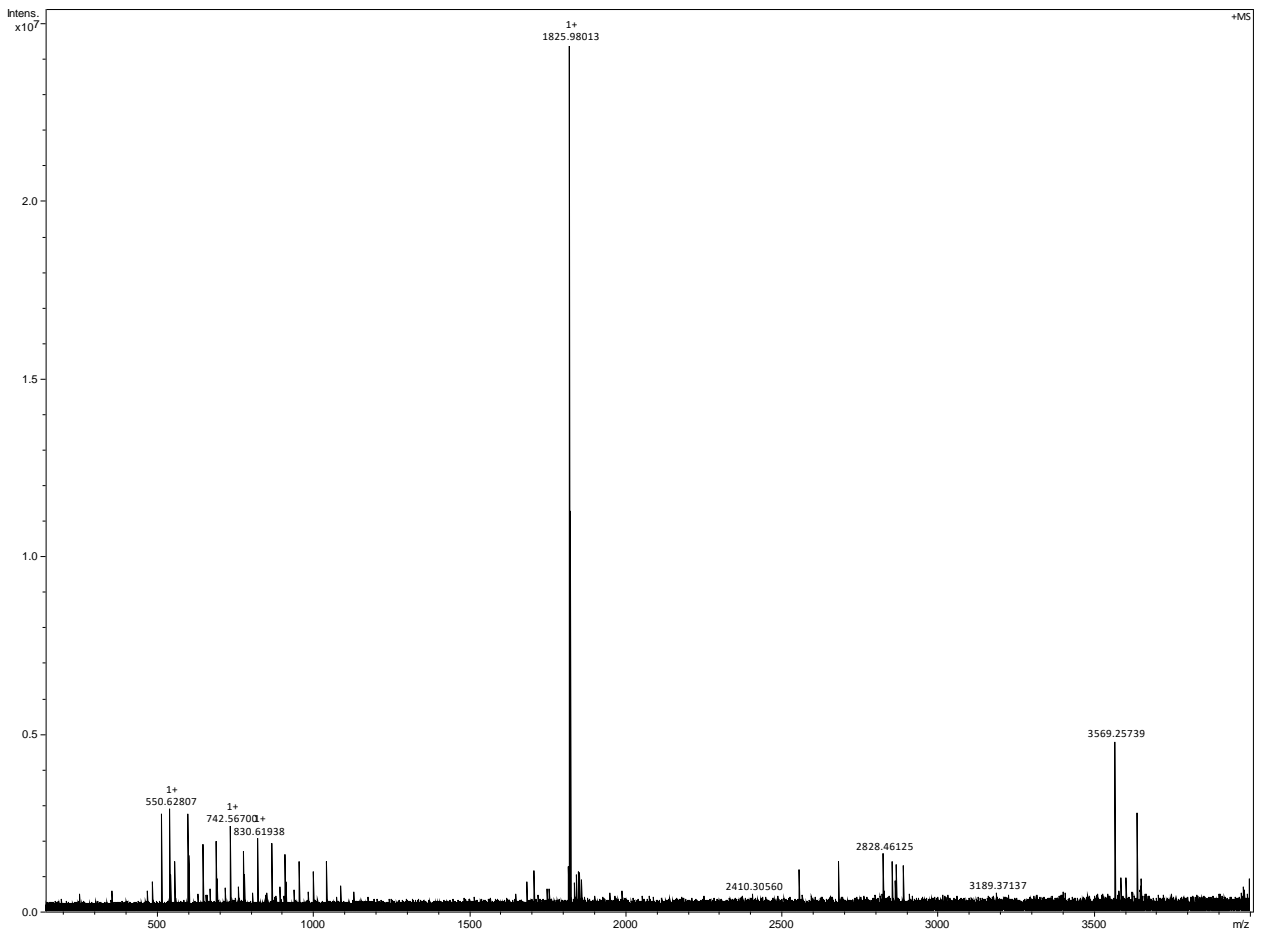


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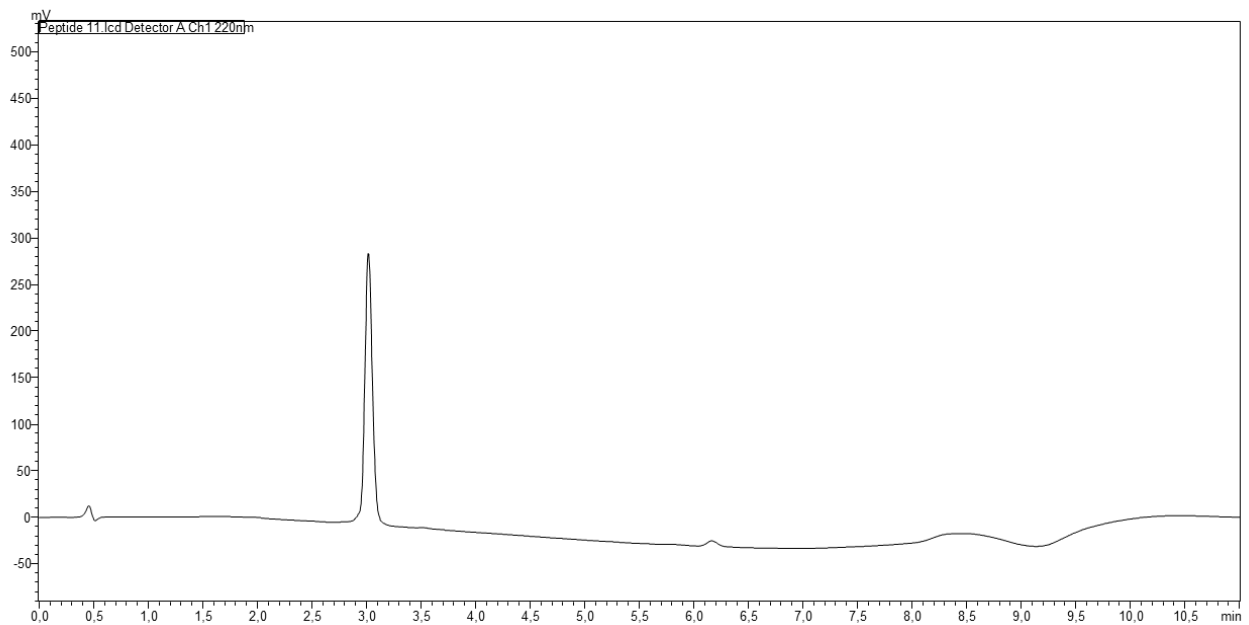
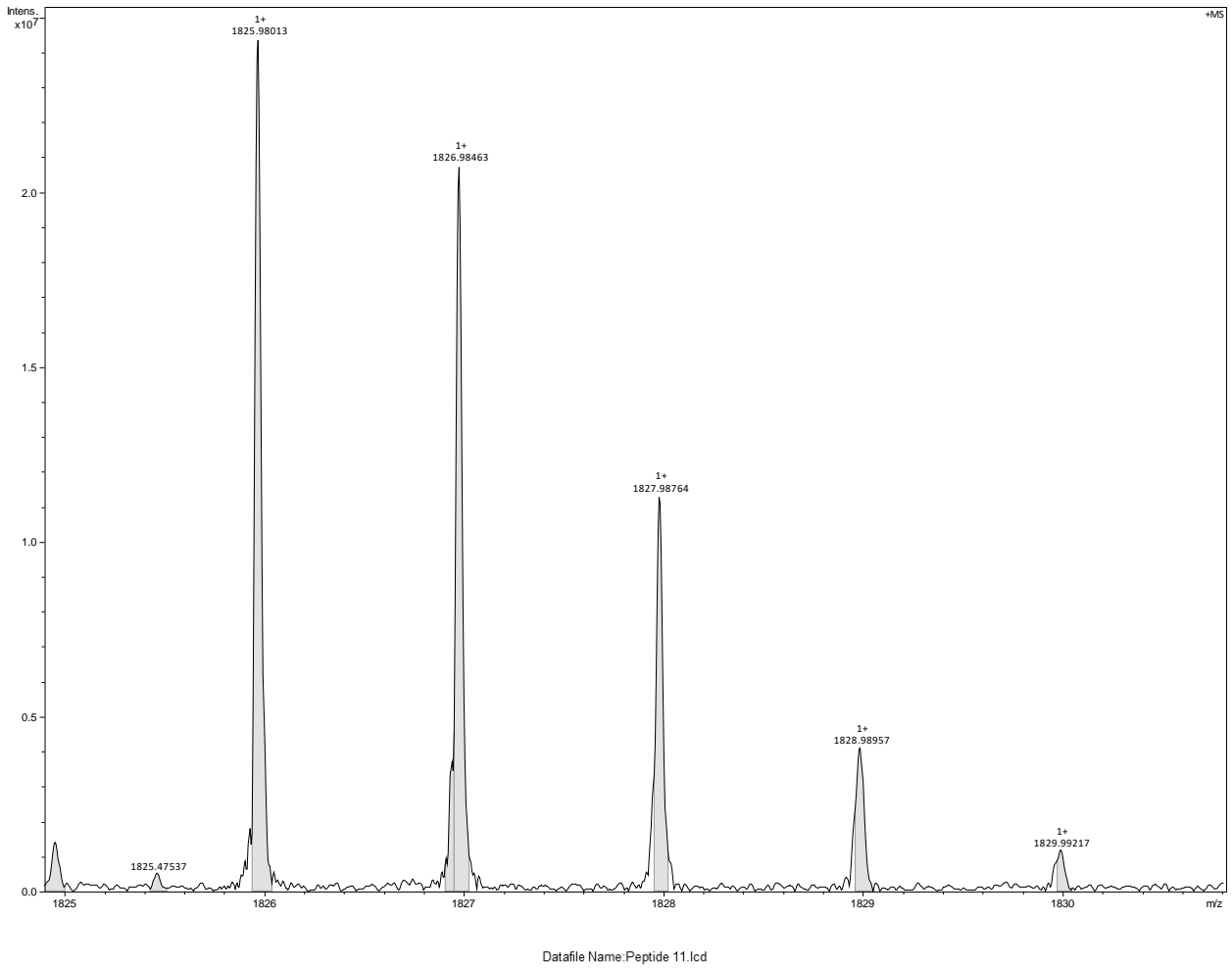
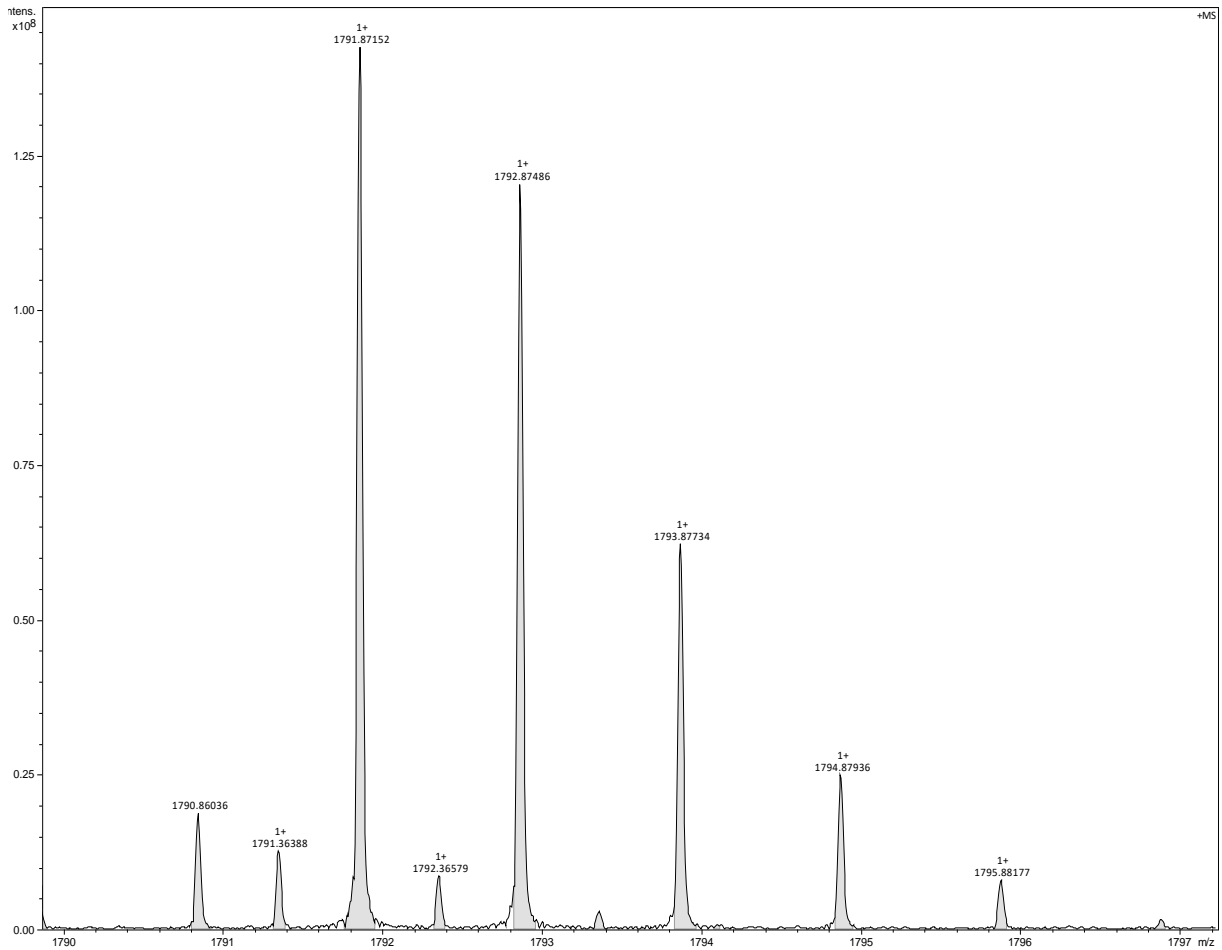
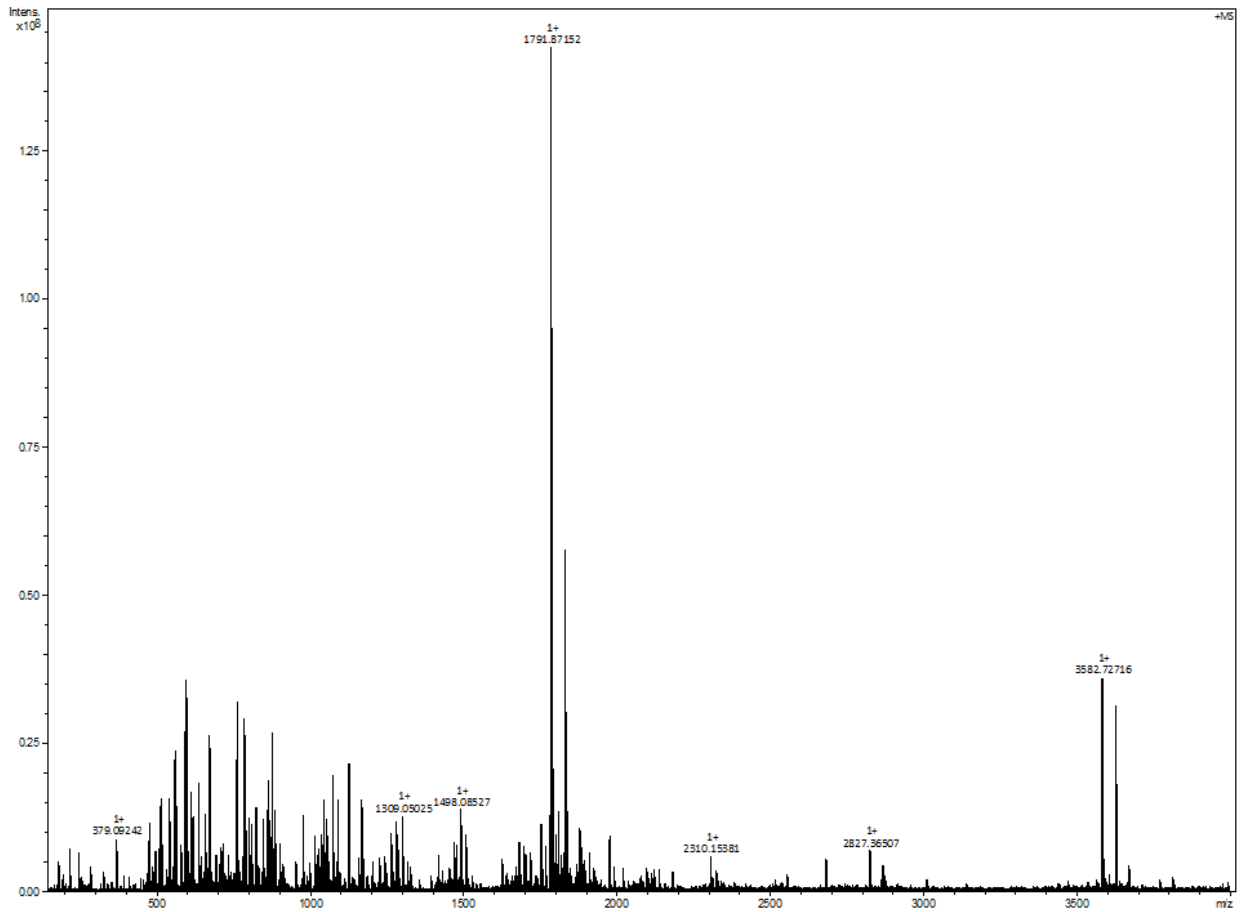


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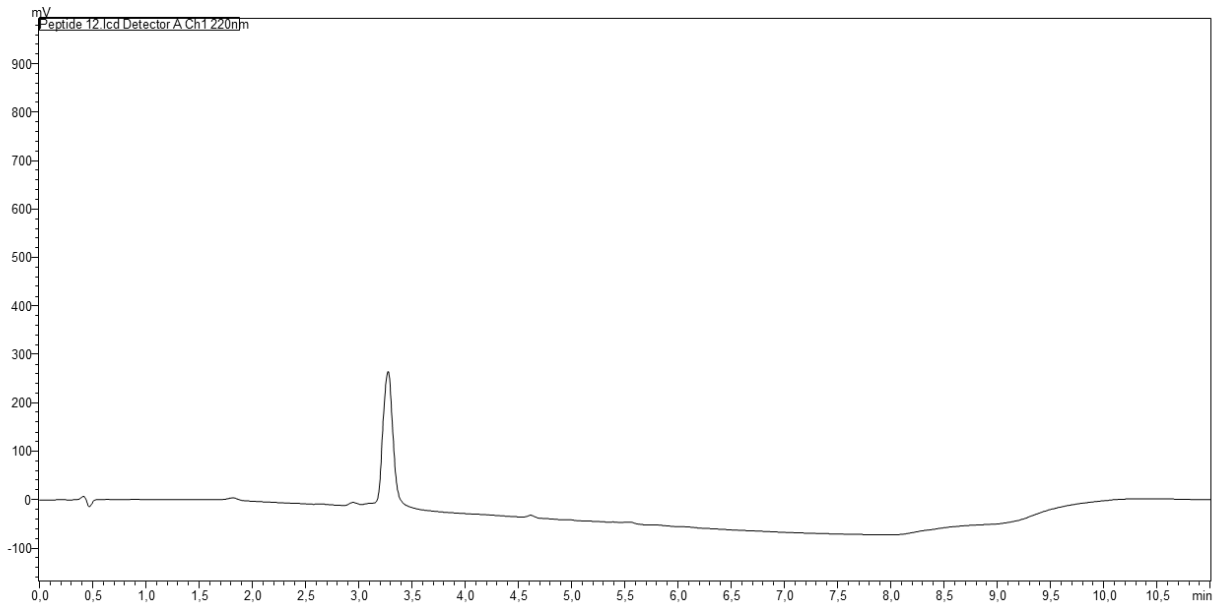
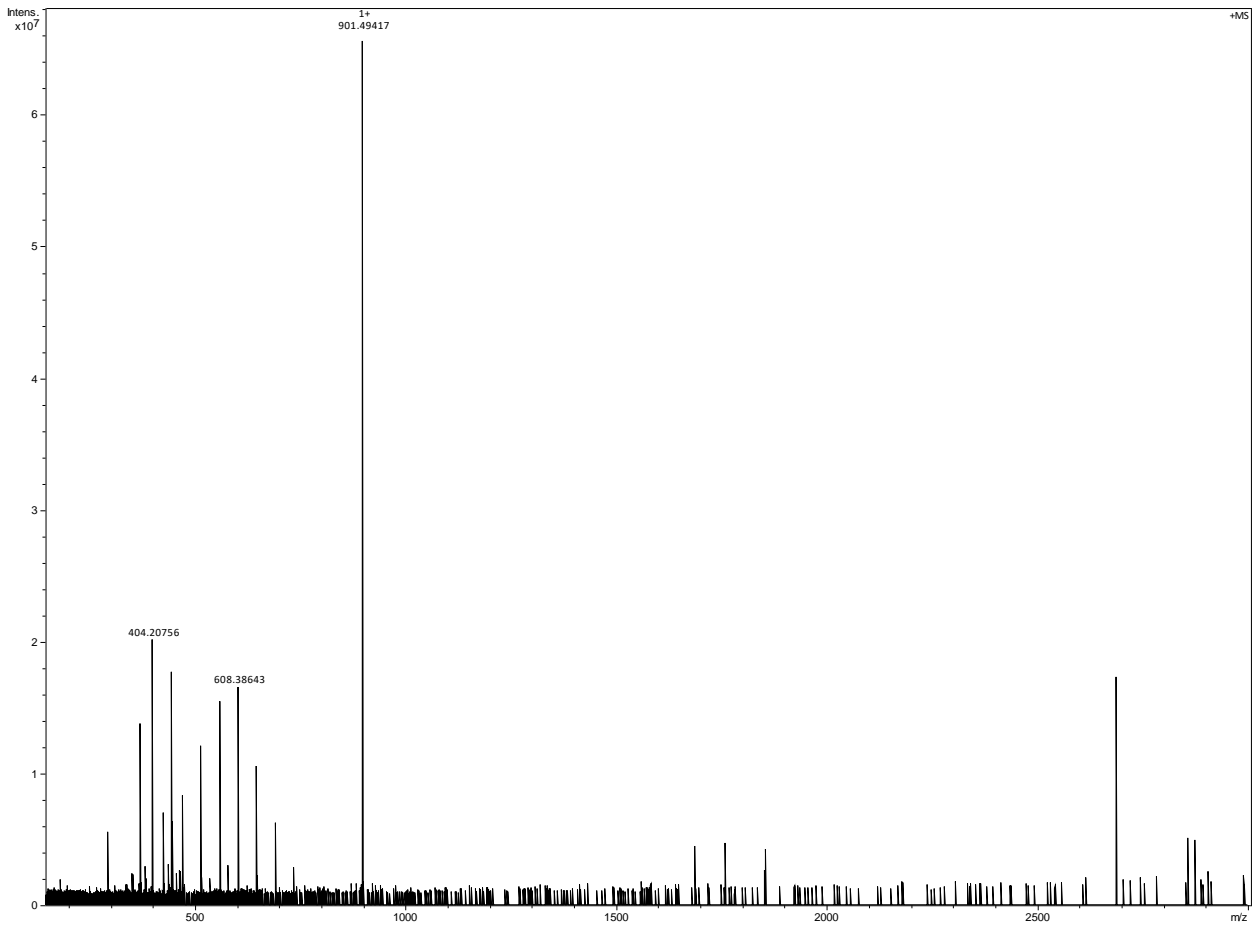
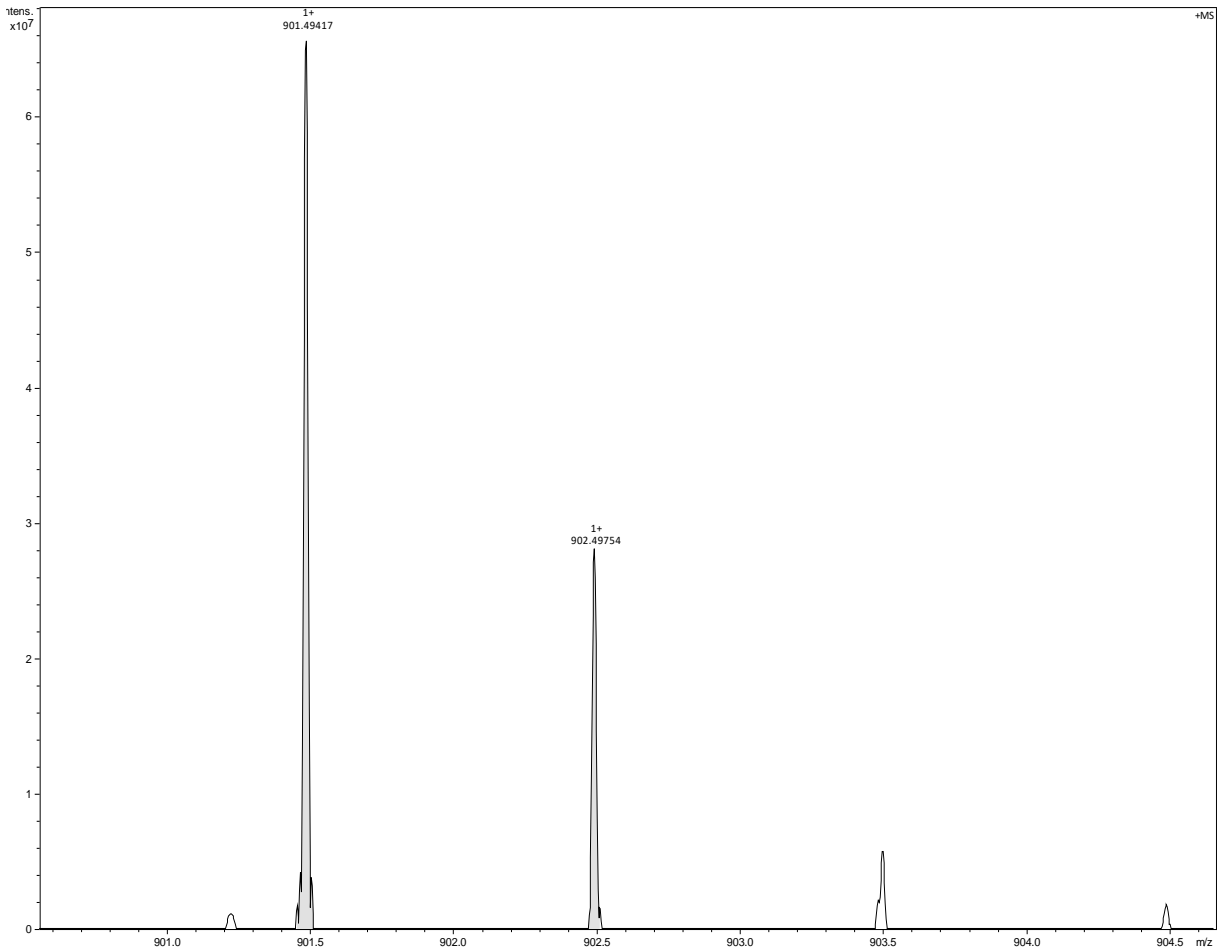


Figure S10. HR-MALDI-MS of Peptide 12 ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.





Datafile Name:Peptide 13.lcd

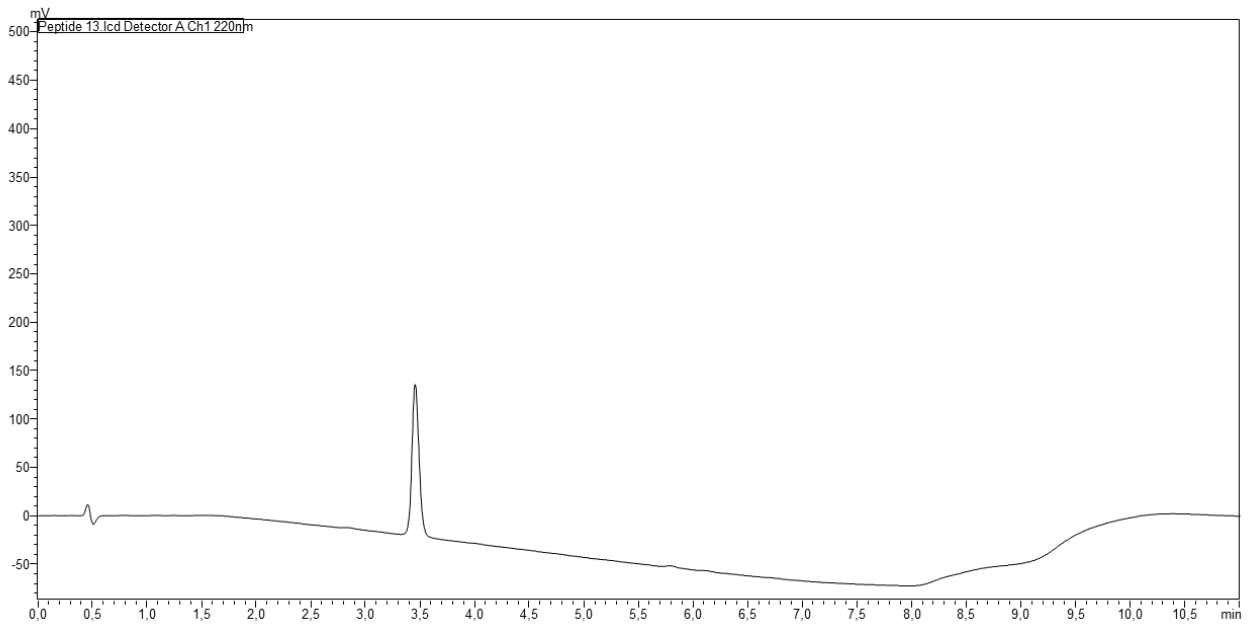


Figure S11. HR-ESI-MS of Peptide 13 ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.

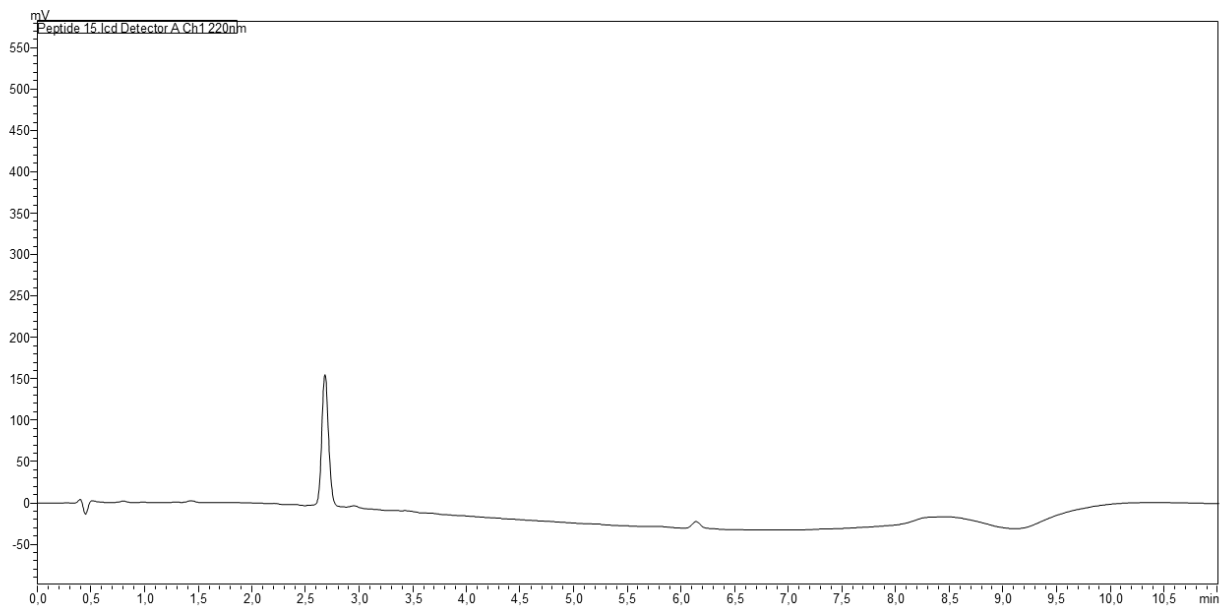
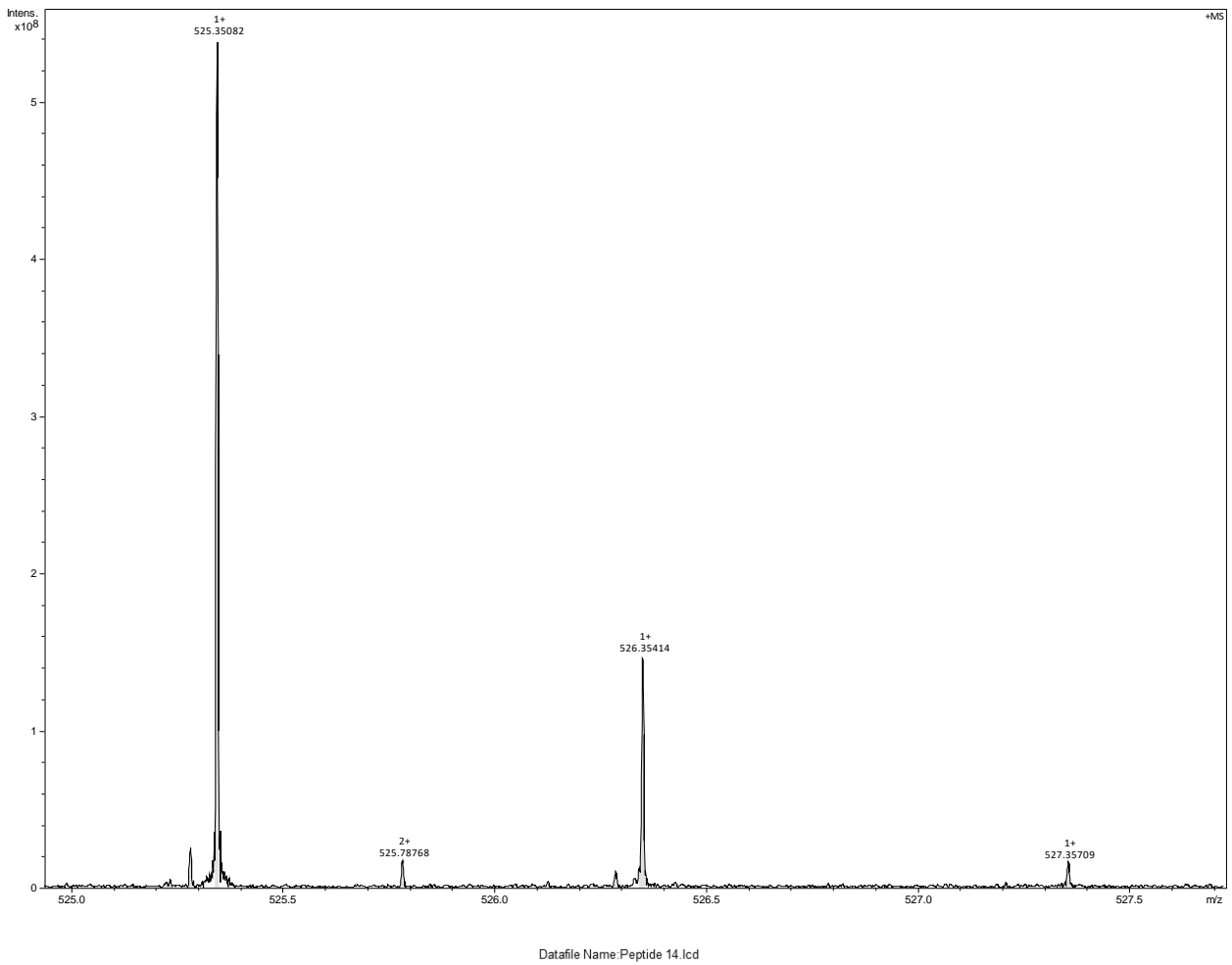
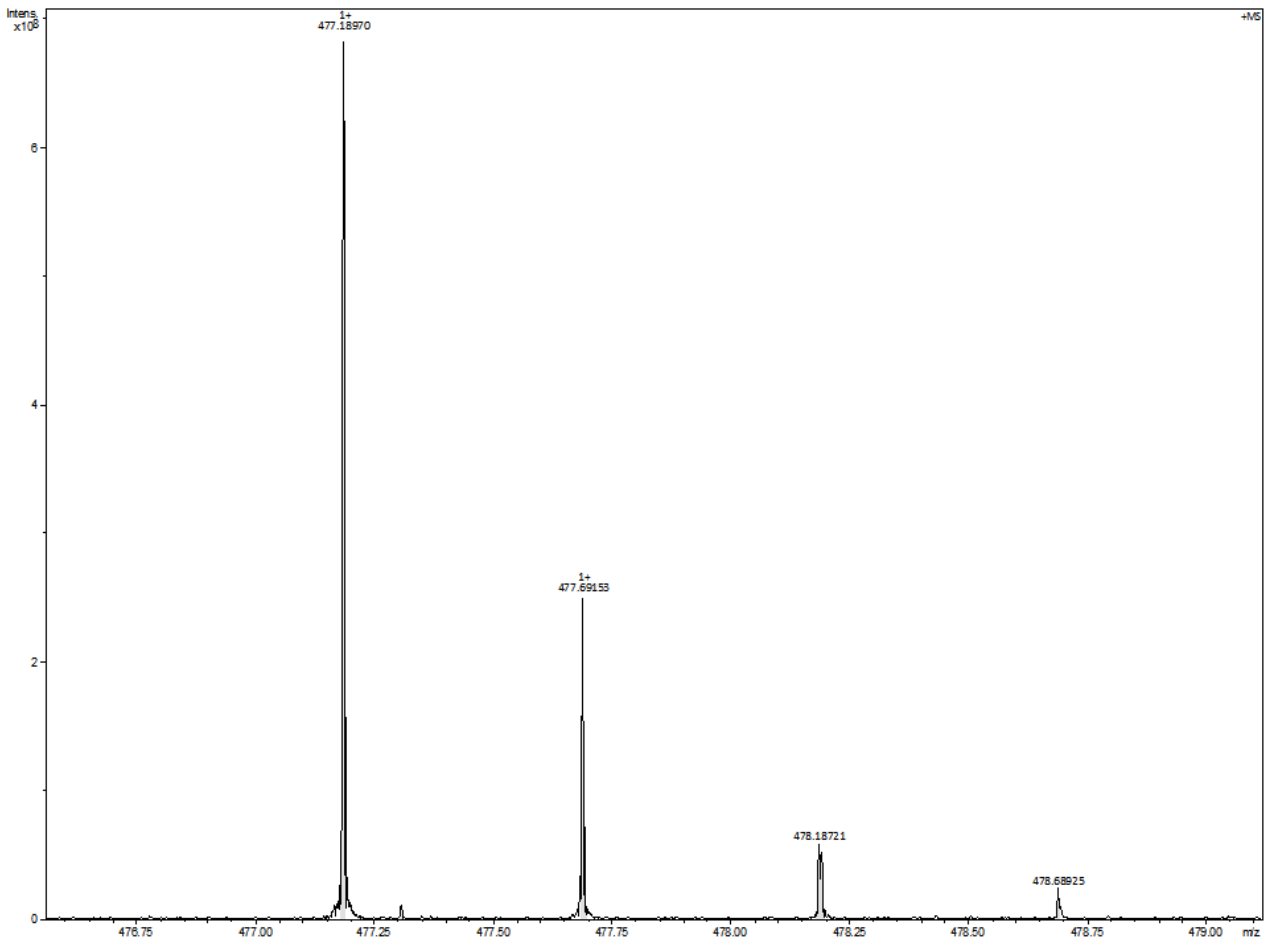
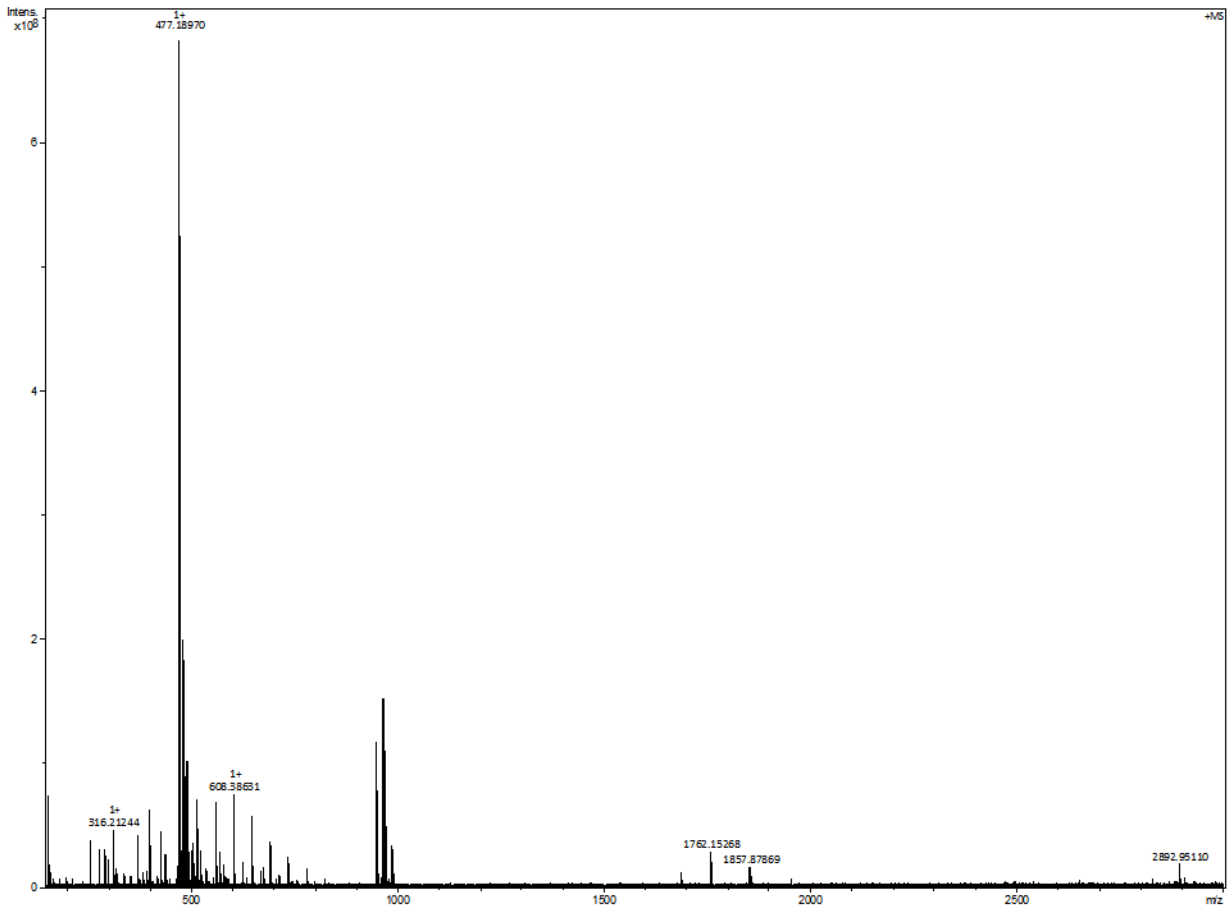


Figure S12. HR-ESI-MS of Peptide **14** ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.

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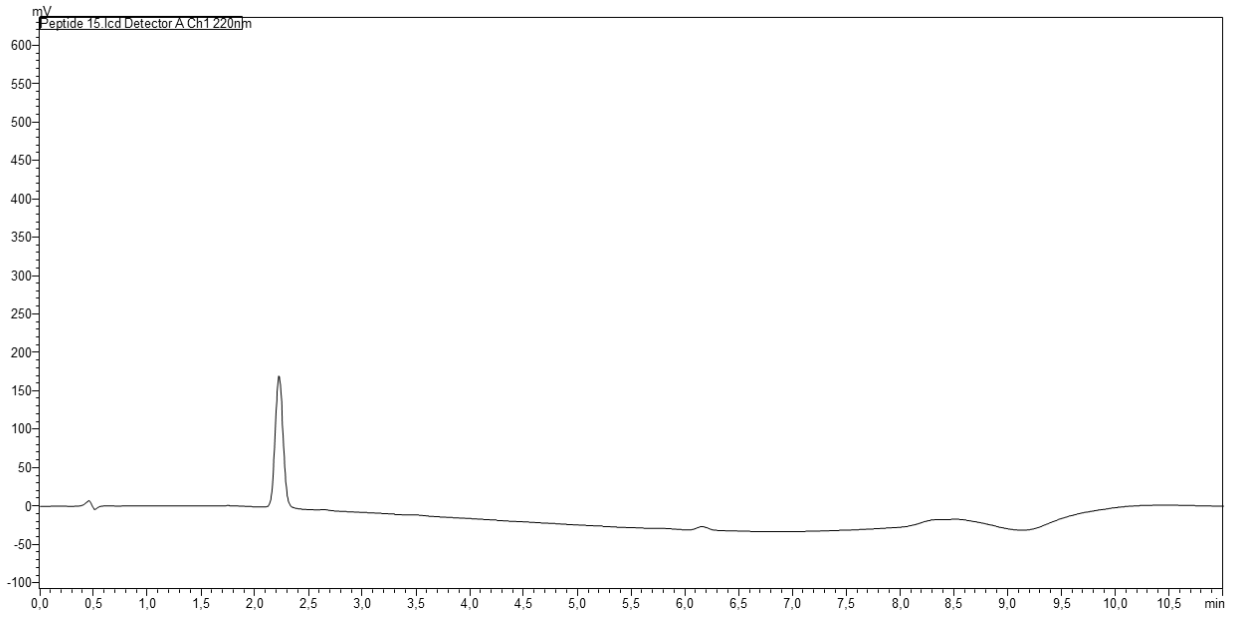
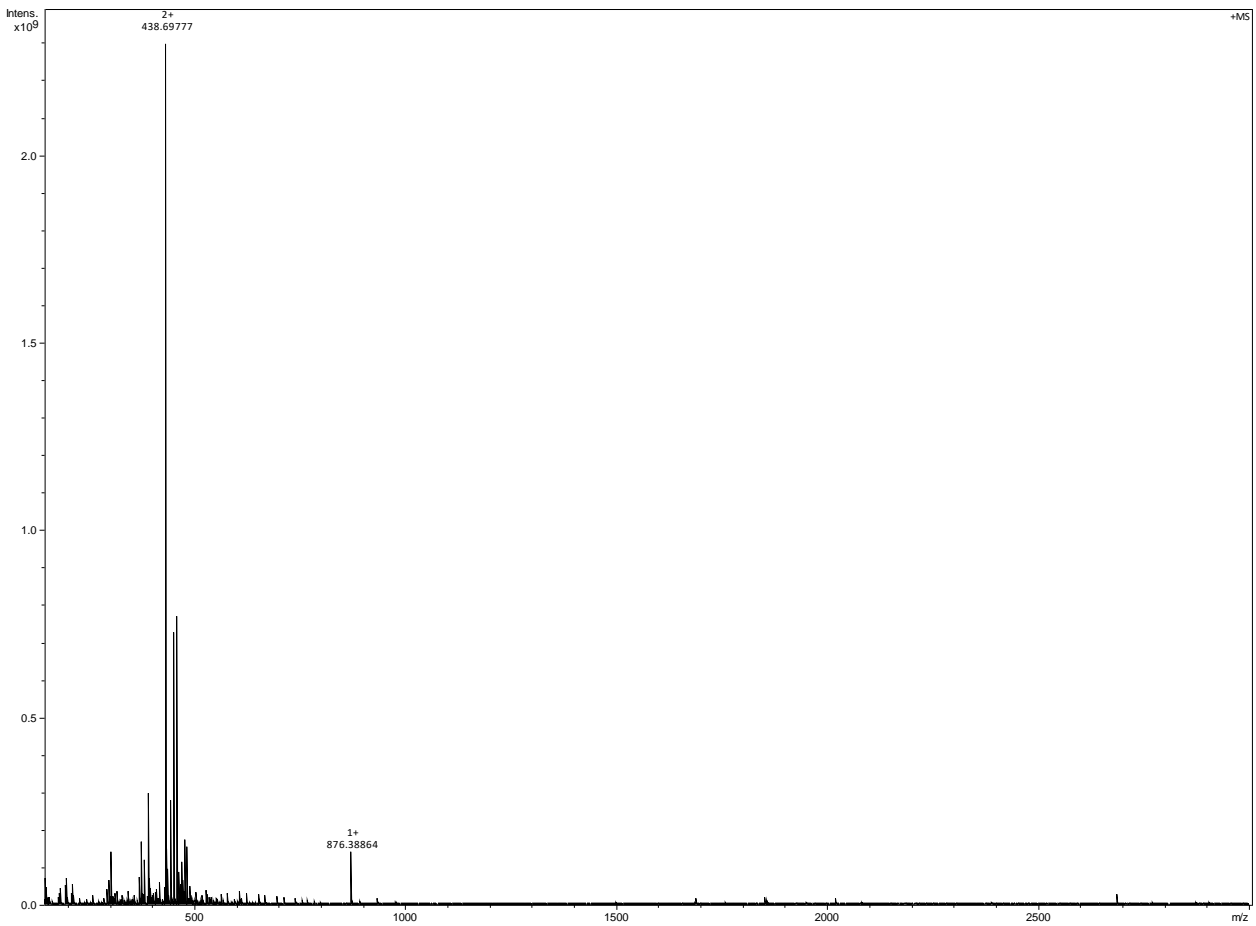


Figure S13. HR-ESI-MS of Peptide **15** ion $[M+H]^+$ and analytical HPLC trace at 220 nm.



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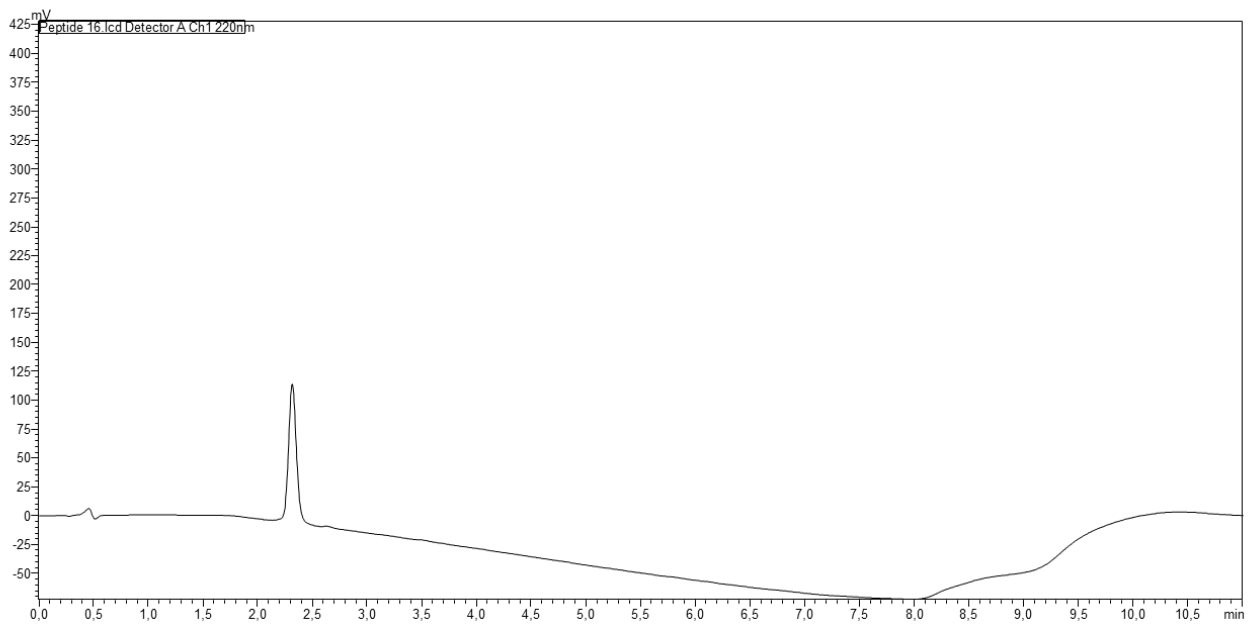
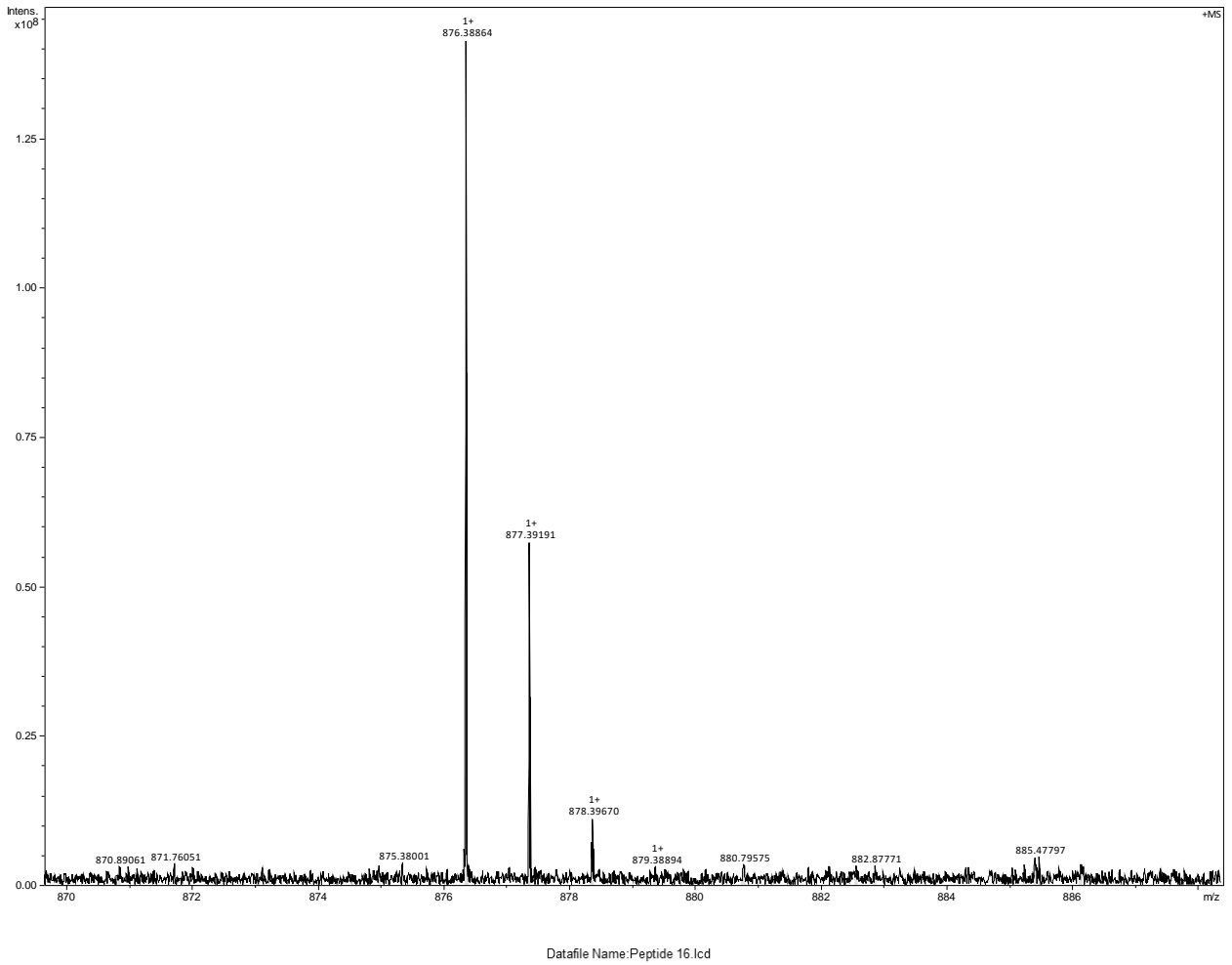


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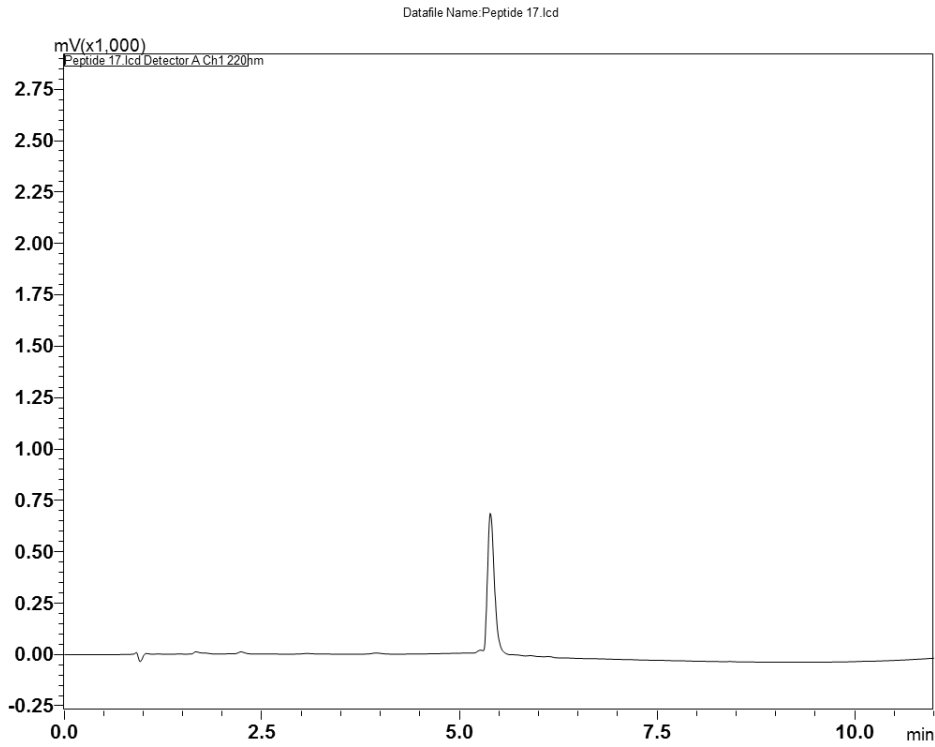
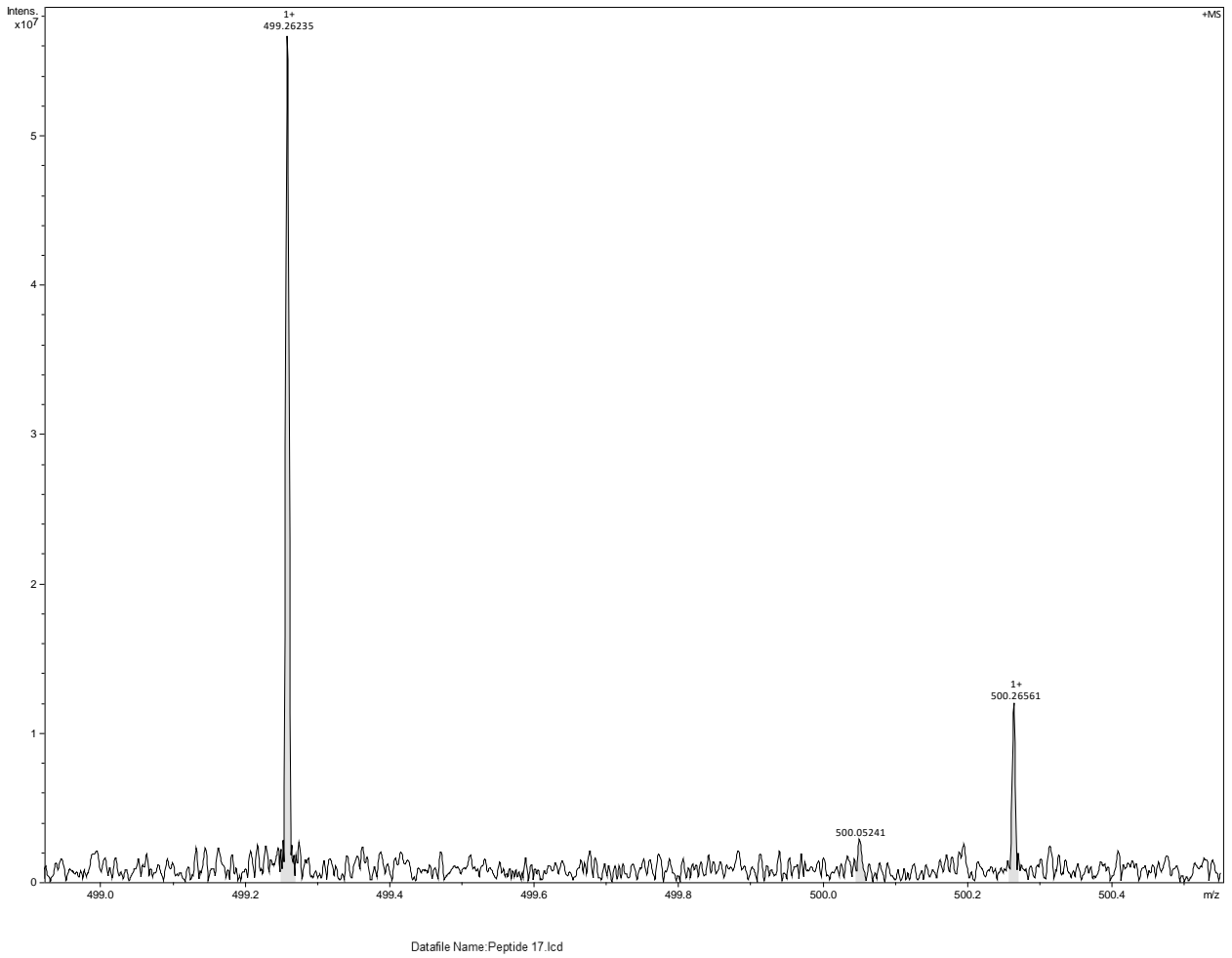


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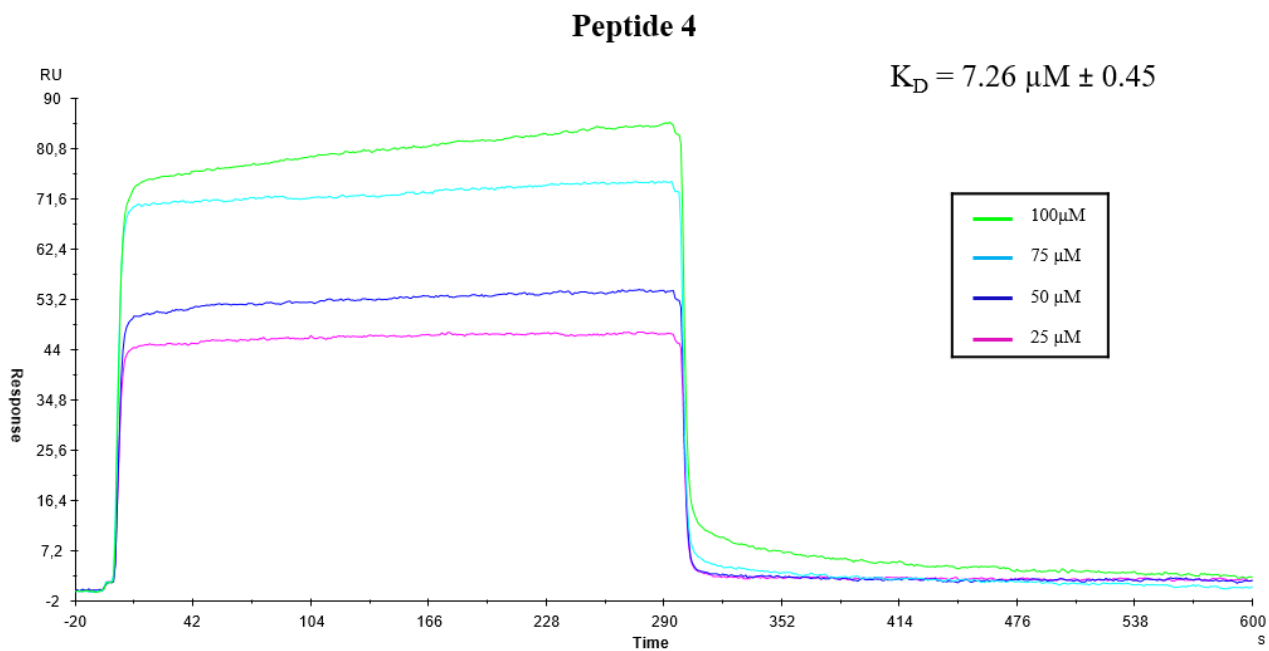


Figure S16. Sensorgram obtained from SPR interaction analysis of compound **4** binding to immobilized HA. This compound was injected at four different concentrations (from 25 μM to 100 μM).

Table S2. ¹H chemical shifts (ppm) of **1** in HFA/H₂O (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | εH | Others |
|---------|------|------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Ser1 | 7.83 | 4.12 | 3.63 | - | - | - | - |
| Lys2 | 7.45 | 3.96 | 1.47 1.43 | 1.12 1.07 | 1.34 | 2.65 | - |
| His3 | 7.87 | 4.37 | 2.95 2.84 | - | 6.89 (2H) 8.08 (4H) | - | - |
| Ser4 | 7.80 | 4.22 | 3.66 3.54 | - - | - - | - - | - - |
| Ser5 | 7.89 | 4.12 | 3.61 | | | | |
| Leu6 | 7.35 | 4.06 | 1.29 | 1.22 | 0.61 0.51 | - - | - - |
| Asp7 | 7.59 | 4.14 | 2.43 | - | - | - | - |
| Cys8 | 7.40 | 4.06 | 2.69 2.65 | - | - | - | - |
| Val9 | 7.25 | 3.76 | 1.81 | 0.61 | - | - | - |
| Leu10 | 7.31 | 3.99 | 1.30 | 1.22 | 0.53 0.51 | - | - |
| Arg11 | 7.21 | 4.33 | 1.53 1.44 | 1.54 | 2.85 2.77 | | 6.609 (NHE) 7.526 (NHZ) |
| Pro12 | - | 4.04 | 1.93 1.71 | 1.61 | 3.39 3.25 | - | - |

Table S3. ¹H chemical shifts (ppm) of **13** in HFA/H₂O (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | εH | Others |
|---------|------|------|--------------|------|--------------|----|-----------|
| Ser1 | 7.48 | 4.28 | 3.78 | - | - | - | |
| Leu2 | 8.11 | 4.06 | 1.37 | 1.27 | 0.60 0.64 | | |
| Asp3 | 7.98 | 4.19 | 2.42 | | | | |
| Cys4 | 7.54 | 4.18 | 2.69 | | | | |
| Val5 | 7.41 | 3.82 | 1.87 | 0.66 | | | |
| Leu6 | 7.37 | 4.06 | 1.28 | 1.37 | 0.57 0.61 | | |
| Arg7 | 7.37 | 4.37 | 1.47 1.57 | 1.36 | 2.89 | - | 6.71(NHE) |
| Pro8 | - | 4.08 | 1.76 1.99 | 1.67 | 3.31 3.44 | - | - |

Table S4. ¹H chemical shifts (ppm) of **14** in [D₆]DMSO (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | εH | Others |
|---------|------|------|--------------|------|--------------|----|--------------|
| Acetyl | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1.88 |
| Val1 | 7.94 | 4.12 | 1.97 | 0.84 | - | - | - |
| Leu2 | 8.01 | 4.31 | 1.48 1.59 | 1.45 | 0.82 0.87 | - | - |
| Arg3 | 7.91 | 4.49 | 1.55 1.77 | 1.53 | 3.09 | - | 7.83 |
| Pro4 | - | 4.20 | 1.92 2.03 | 1.79 | 3.59 3.73 | - | 6.88 7.32 |

Table S5. ^1H chemical shifts (ppm) of **15** in $[\text{D}_6]\text{DMSO}$ (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | ϵH | Others |
|---------|------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Acetyl | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1.88 |
| Ser1 | 7.95 | 4.30 | 3.54 3.57 | | | | |
| Leu2 | 8.03 | 4.27 | 1.62 | 1.49 | 0.85 0.88 | | |
| Asp3 | 8.20 | 4.52 | 2.53 2.77 | | | | |
| Cys4 | 7.75 | 4.28 | 2.76 2.83 | | | | 7.24 |

Table S6. ^1H chemical shifts (ppm) of **17** in $[\text{D}_6]\text{DMSO}$ (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | ϵH | Others |
|---------|------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Acetyl | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1.87 |
| Ser1 | 8.12 | 4.33 | 3.62 3.57 | - | - | - | - |
| Lys2 | 8.34 | 4.17 | 1.65 1.51 | 1.27 | 1.51 | 2.73 | - |
| His3 | 8.06 | 4.41 | 2.96 2.85 | - | 6.82 (2H) | 7.51 (4H) | - |
| Ser4 | 7.86 | 4.14 | 3.63 | - | - | - | - |

Table S7. Mean values of ϕ , ψ and χ_1 angles and αC distances relative to the most representative conformers of **1**.

| peptide | sequence | i+1 | | | i+2 | | | αC distance | |
|----------|----------------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| | | ϕ | ψ | χ_1 | ϕ | ψ | χ_1 | i to i+2 | i to i+3 |
| 1 | Lys2- Ser5 | -52.9 | -29.7 | -83.7 | 138.1 | 42.8 | 140.3 | - | 4.8 |
| | Ser4-Asp7 | -76.3 | 166.1 | 124.7 | 69.9 | 8.5 | -67.0 | - | 6.2 |
| | Leu6-Val9 | 108.6 | 75.2 | -95.6 | 64.6 | 27.2 | 120.6 | - | 5.7 |
| | Asp7- Leu10 | 64.6 | 27.2 | 120.6 | 71.1 | 42.9 | 164.2 | - | 5.3 |
| | Val9-Arg11 | -76.1 | 91.0 | 147.5 | - | - | - | 5.9 | - |

Table S8. Mean values of ϕ , ψ and χ_1 angles and αC distances relative to the most representative conformers of **13**.

| peptide | sequence | i+1 | | | i+2 | | | αC distance i to i+3 |
|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| | | ϕ | ψ | χ_1 | ϕ | ψ | χ_1 | |
| 13 | Cys4-Arg7 | -51.9 | -29.7 | -164.4 | -152.9 | 20.8 | -116.0 | 4.4 |

Table S9. ^1H chemical shifts (ppm) of **4** in HFA/H₂O (600 MHz, 300 K).

| residue | NH | αH | βH | γH | δH | ϵH | Others |
|---------|------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Lys1 | | 3.74 | 1.67 | 2.76 | 1.21 | | |
| Ala2 | 8.22 | 4.01 | 1.15 | | | | |
| Asn3 | 7.89 | 4.34 | 2.53 | | 6.34 6.98 | | |
| Glu4 | 8.01 | 3.95 | 1.71 1.79 | 2.05 | | | |
| Gly5 | 7.92 | 3.65 | | | | | |
| Leu6 | 7.45 | 4.04 | 1.37 | 1.30 | 0.60 | | |
| Thr7 | 7.54 | 3.95 | | 0.90 | | | |
| Trp8 | 7.70 | 4.22 | 3.05 | | | | 6.85 7.17 7.29 6.93 9.35 |
| Asn9 | 7.63 | 4.10 | 2.31 2.36 | | 6.27 6.91 | | |
| Ser10 | 7.63 | 4.05 | 3.64 3.70 | | | | |
| Leu11 | 7.45 | 4.56 | 1.42 | 1.28 | 0.58 | | |
| Lys12 | 7.38 | 3.89 | 1.41 | 1.06 | 1.30 | 2.66 | |
| Asp13 | 7.66 | 4.41 | 2.45 2.53 | | | | |
| Lys14 | 7.25 | 3.92 | 1.49 1.61 | 1.14 | 1.40 | 2.71 | |

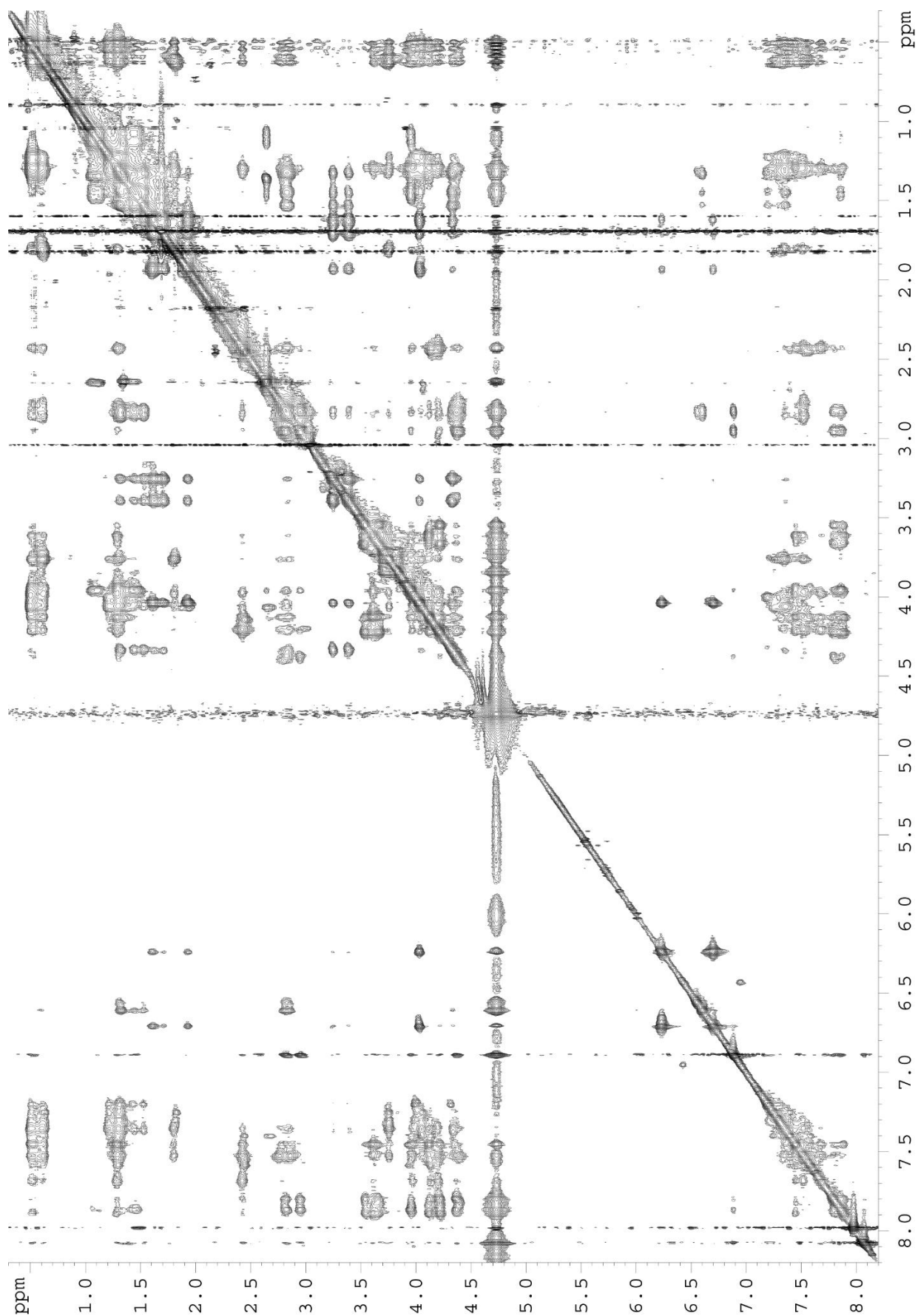


Figure S17. 2D-NOESY spectrum of **1** HFA/H₂O solution (600 MHz, 300 K, $t_{\text{mix}} = 400$ ms).

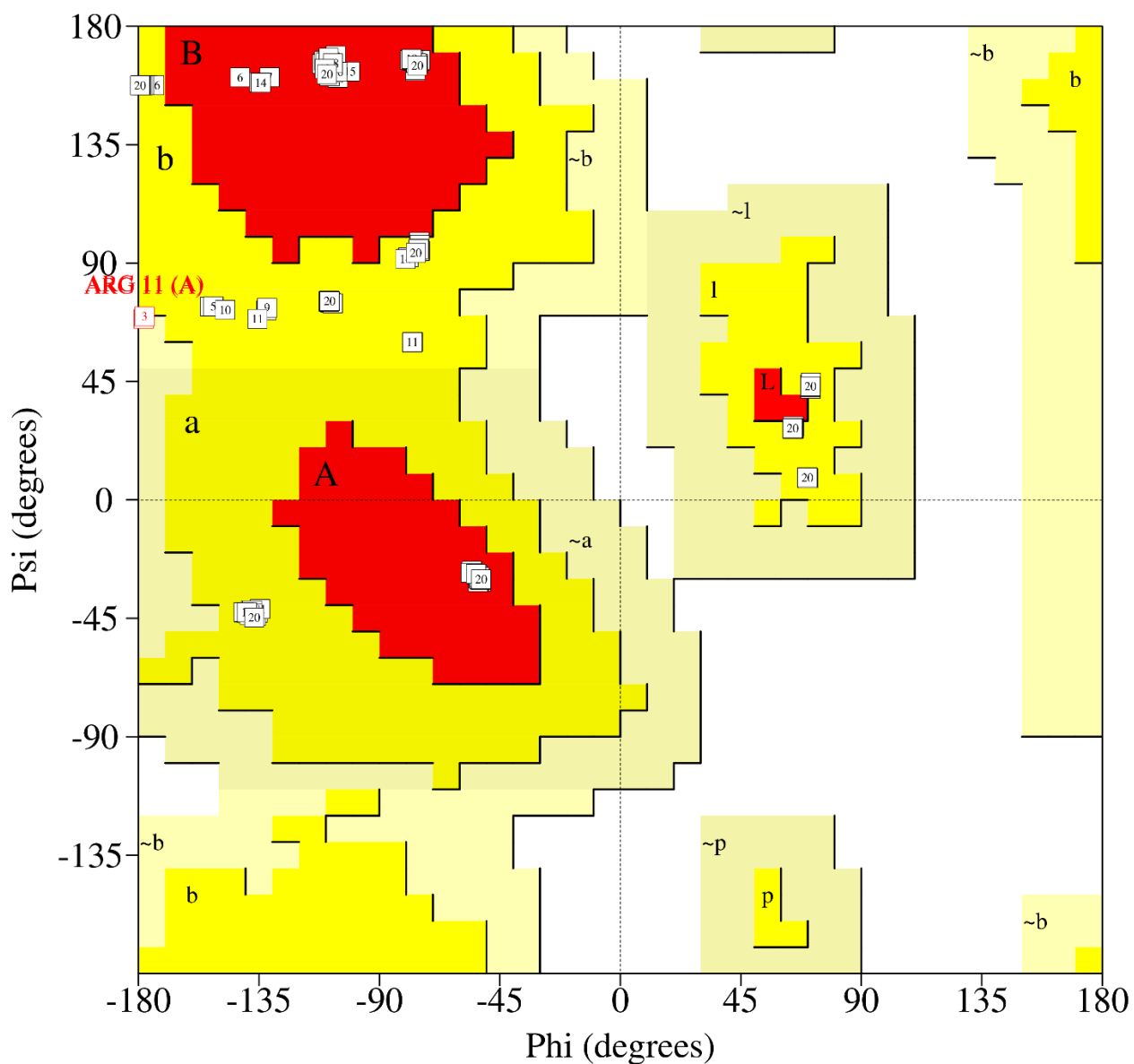


Figure S18. Ramachandran plot of NMR derived bundle of 1, calculated by PROCHECKⁱ software.

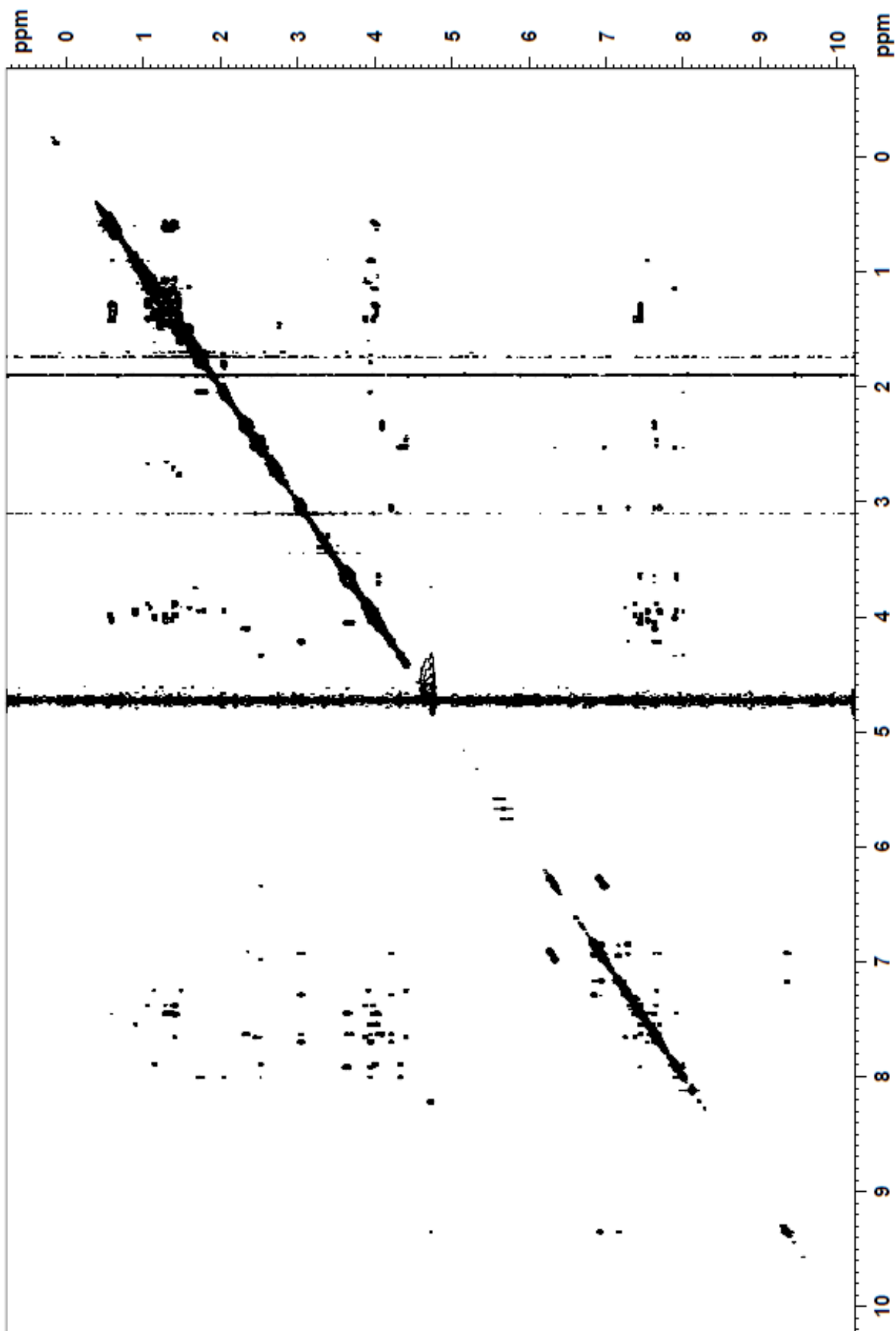


Figure S19. 2D-NOESY spectrum of 4 HFA/H₂O solution (600 MHz, 300 K, $t_{\text{mix}} = 300$ ms).

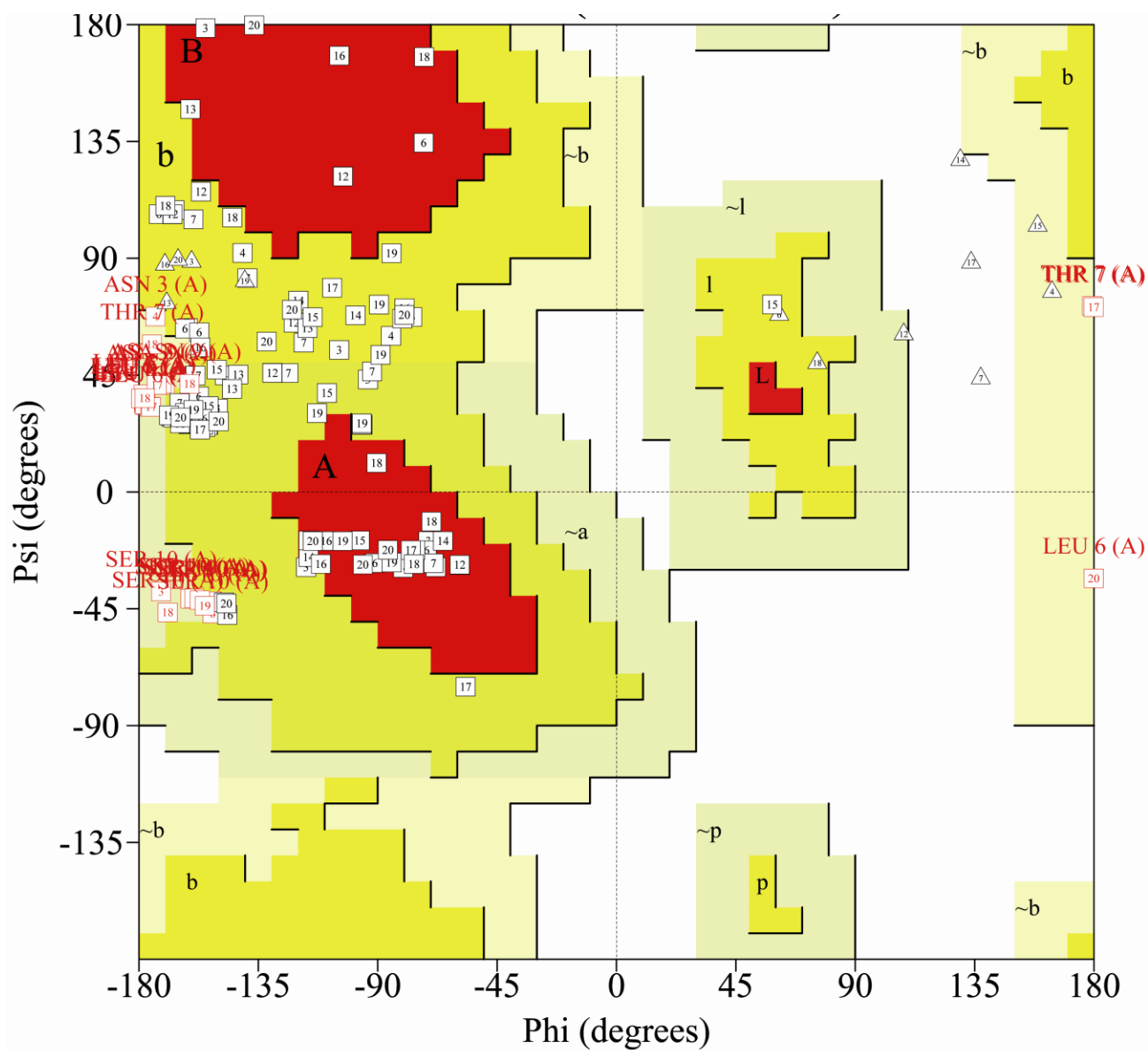


Figure S20. Ramachandran plot of NMR derived bundle of **4**, calculated by PROCHECKⁱ software.

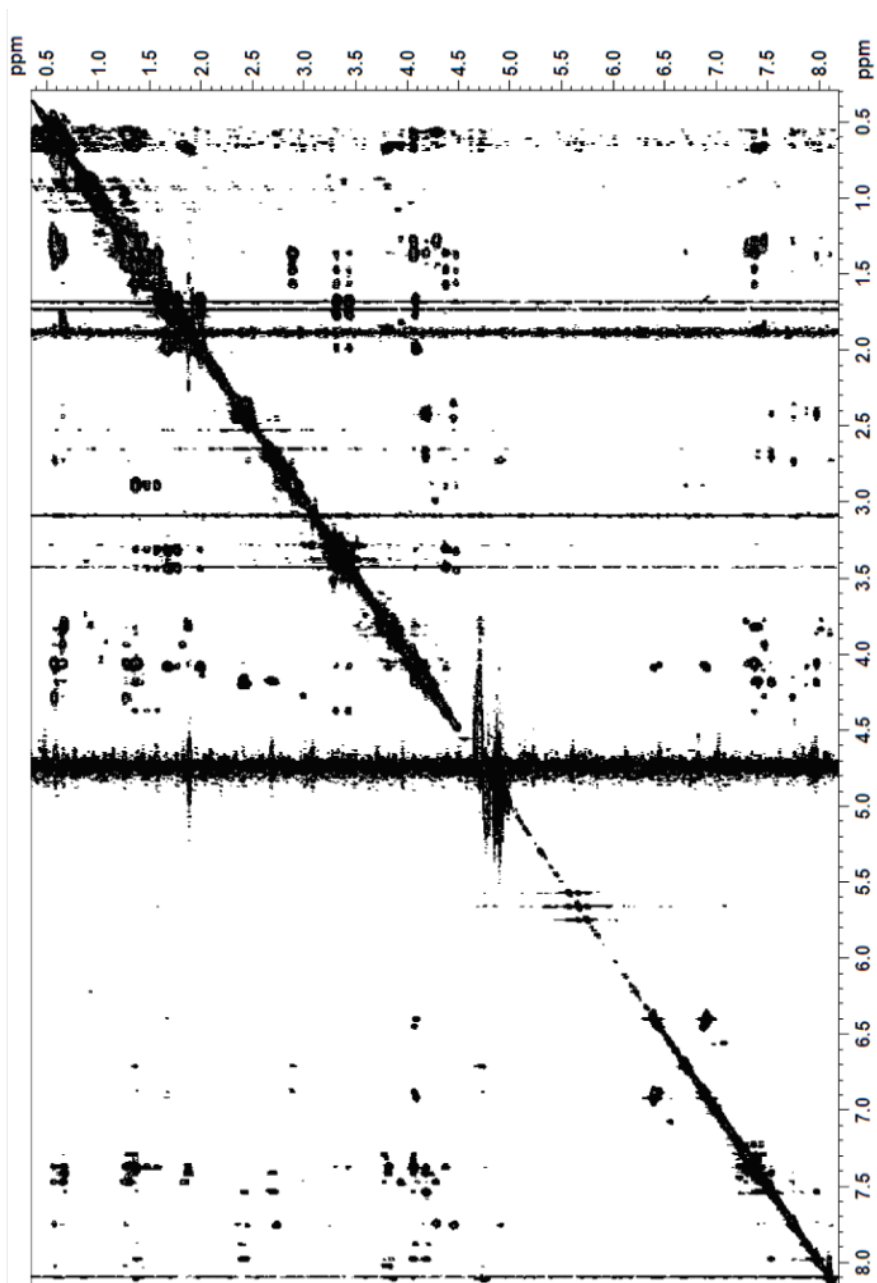


Figure S21. 2D-NOESY spectrum of **13** HFA/H₂O solution (600 MHz, 300 K, $t_{\text{mix}} = 500$ ms).

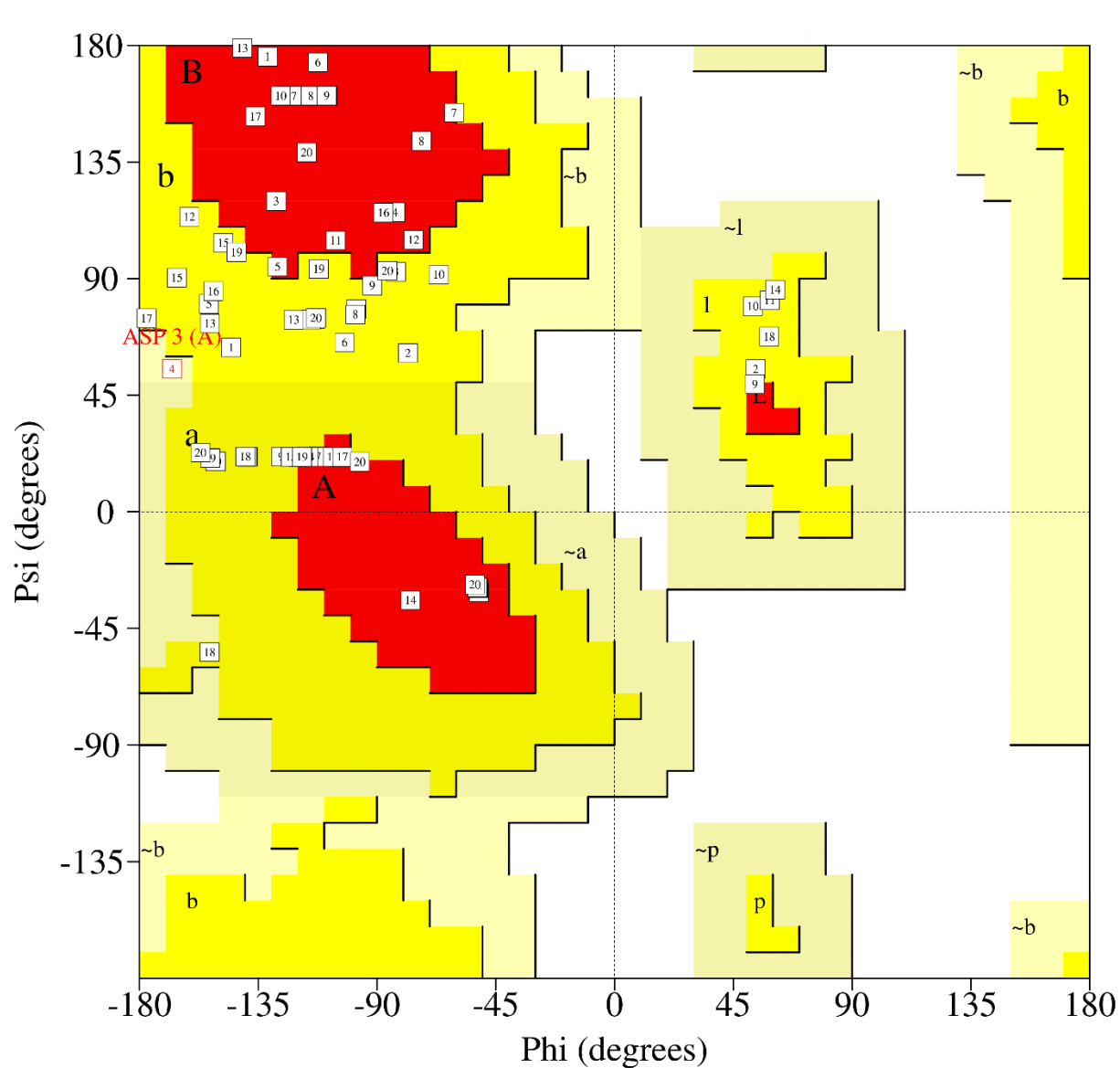


Figure S22. Ramachandran plot of NMR derived bundle of **13**, calculated by PROCHECKⁱ software.

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