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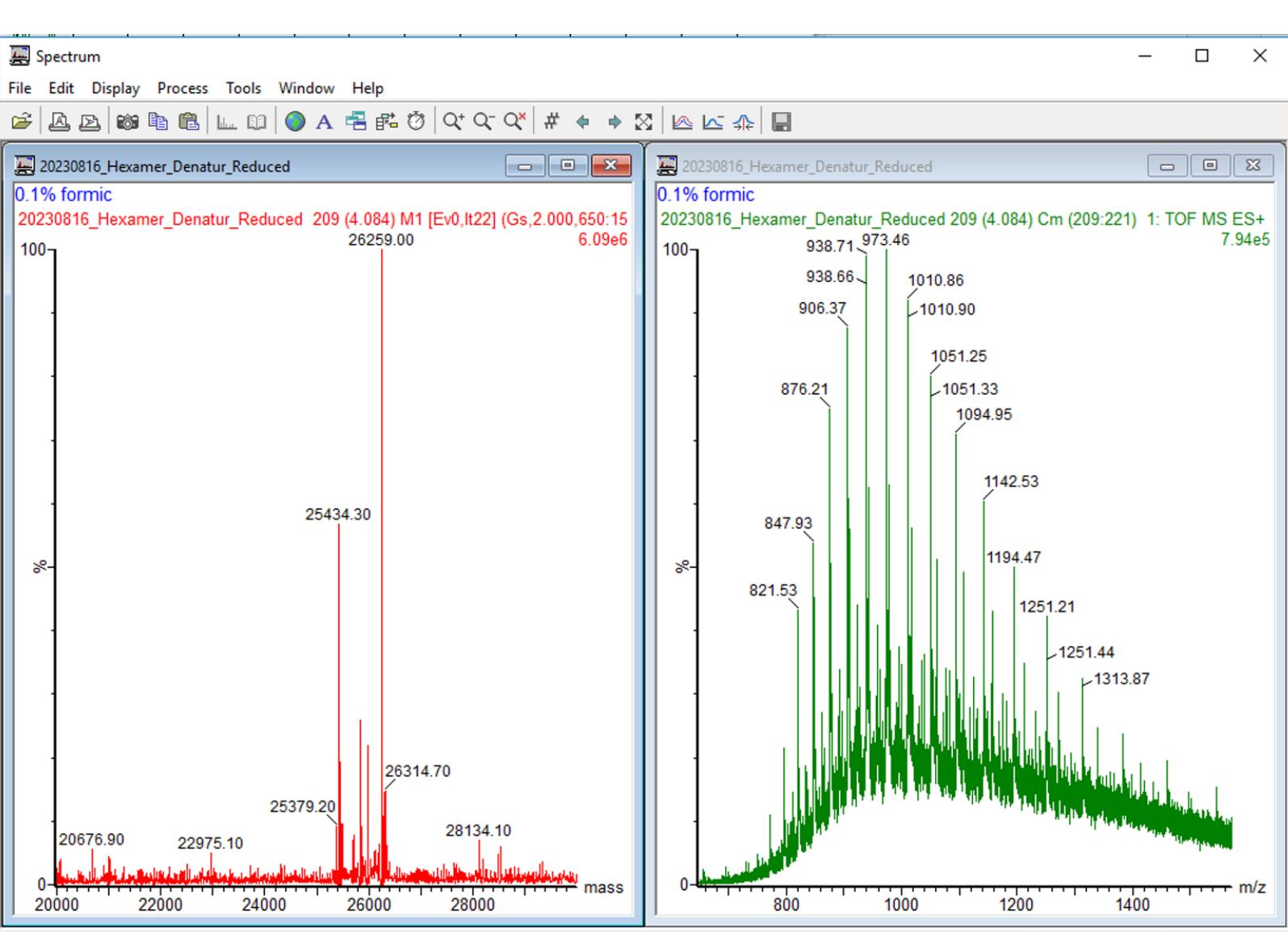
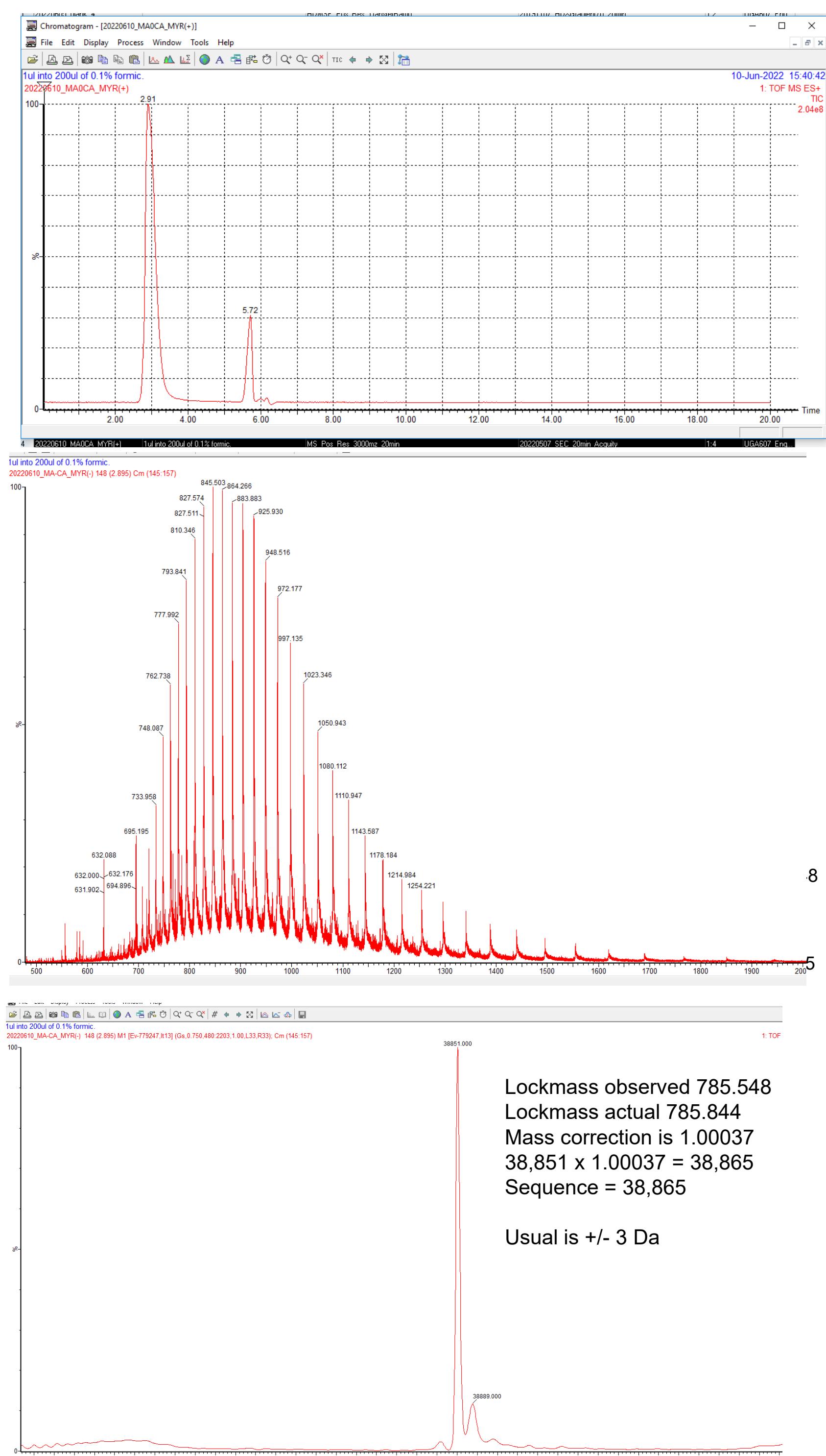
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Intact Protein Mass Determination

check for sequence, PTM, protolysis

5-10 μ l of protein
1-5 μ M concentration

Desalt sample over small pore SEC column in 0.1% formic acid (pH 2.5)
Protein is denatured – becomes highly (stochastically) charged
non-covalent ligands are lost



Native Mass Spec

determine stoichiometry, detect ligand binding

5 ml @ 1mM concentration
Desalt into 20-200 mM ammonium acetate
low electrospray voltage
low collision energy
High m/z ToF instruments – 100,000 m/z

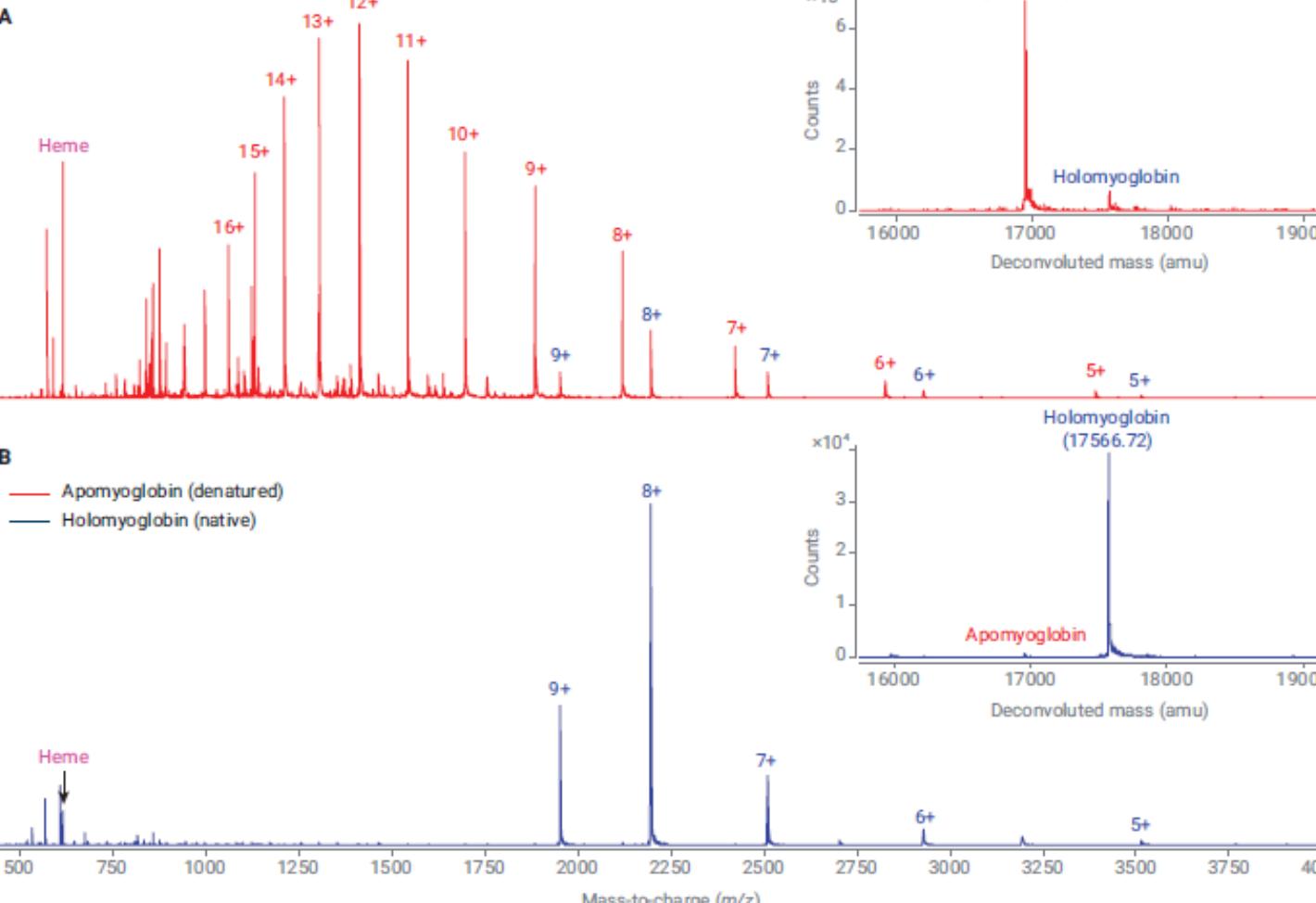
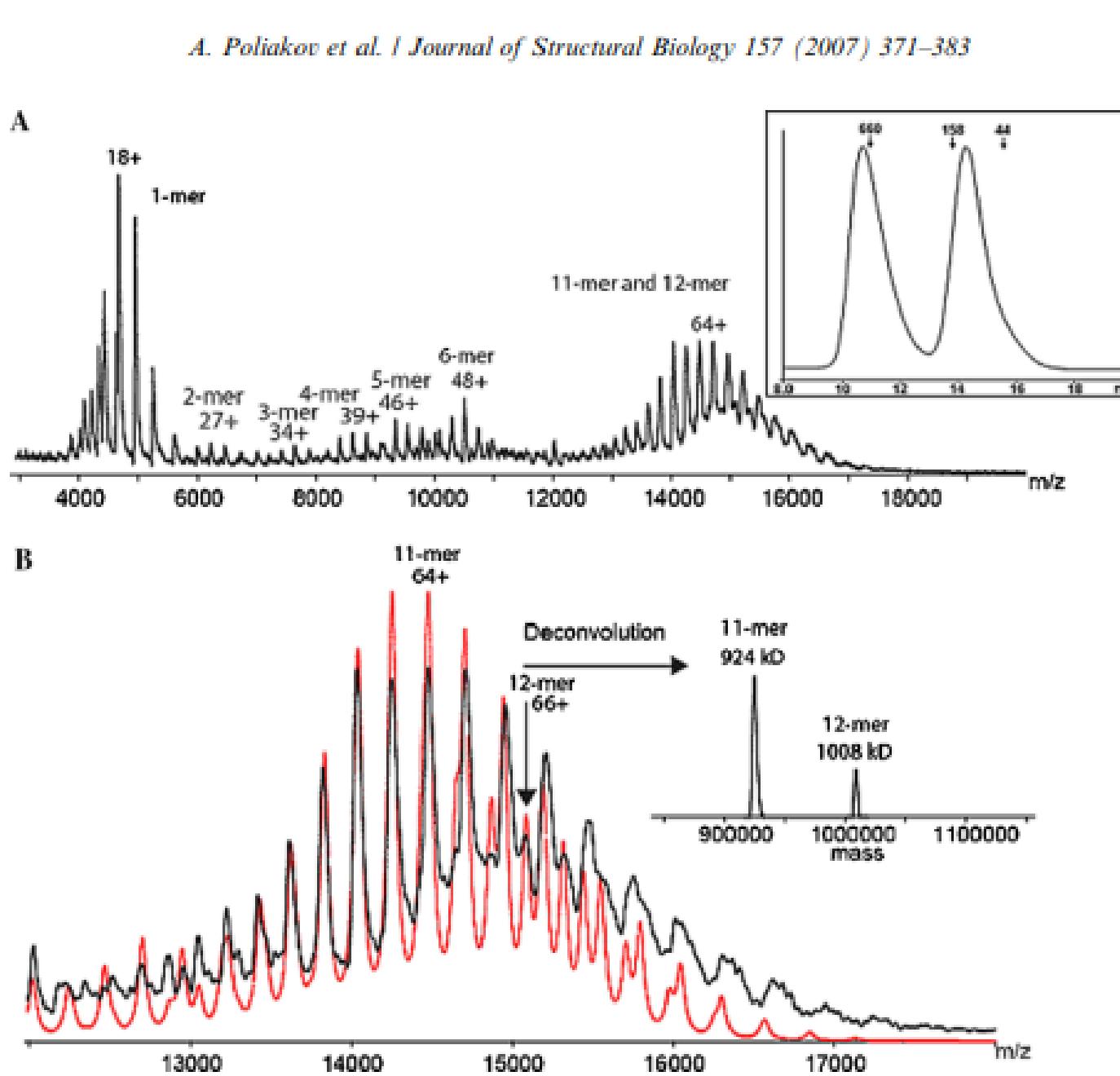
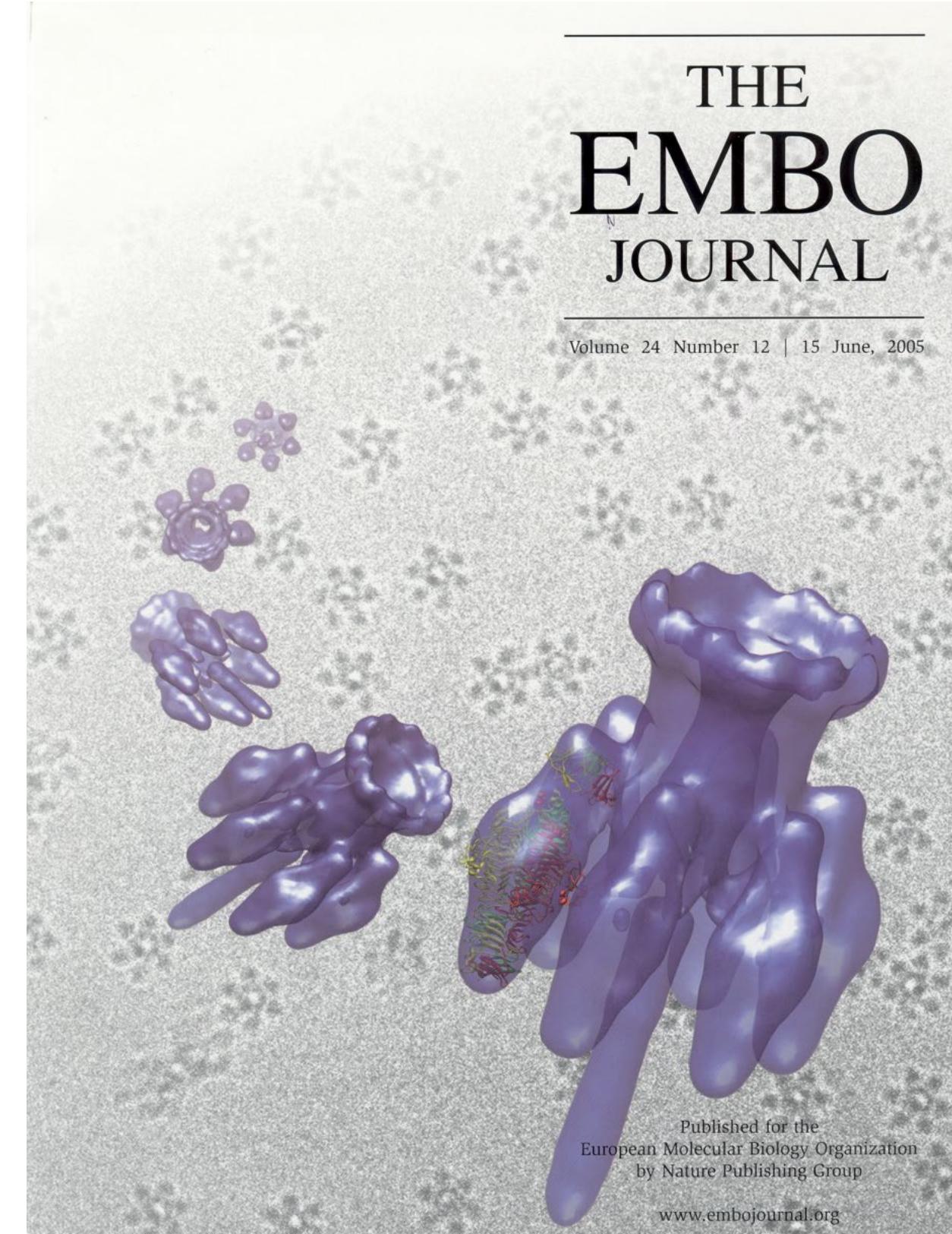


Figure 2. LC/MS analysis of a protein complex sample. A) A denatured sample was analyzed under denatured LC/MS conditions (previous studies). The heme group was removed from the protein complex and the majority of the complex was apomyoglobin (inset figure). B) Native MS analysis of myoglobin. The holo myoglobin (with heme structure) was preserved and only trace amounts of heme was detected.

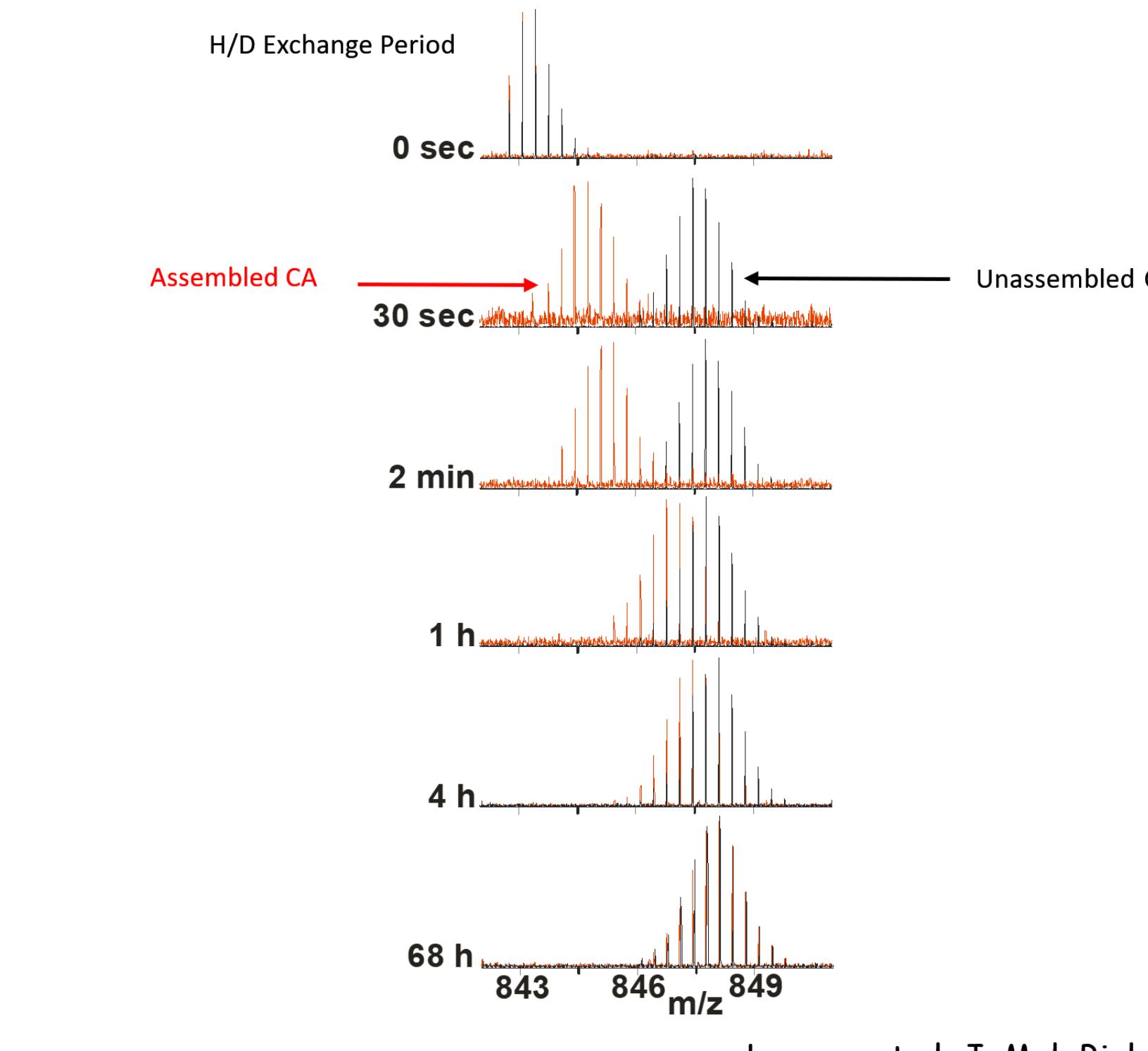


Hydrogen-Deuterium Exchange

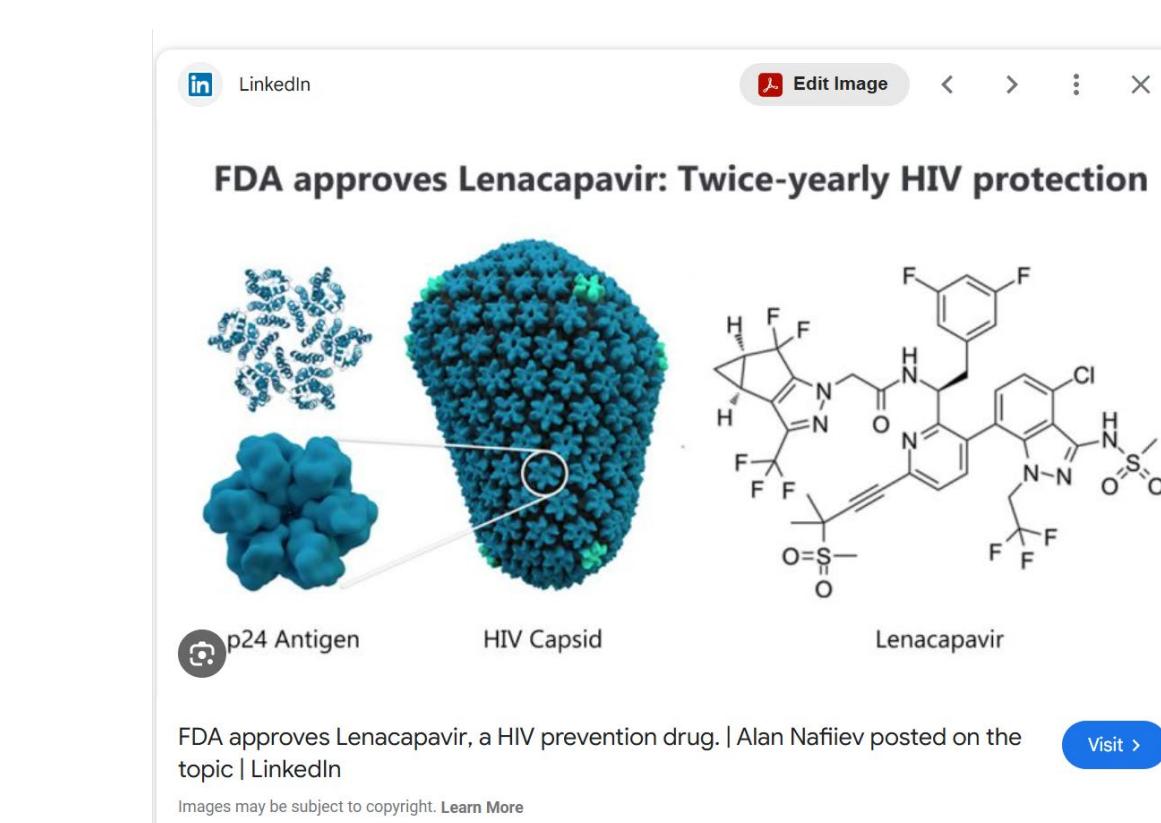
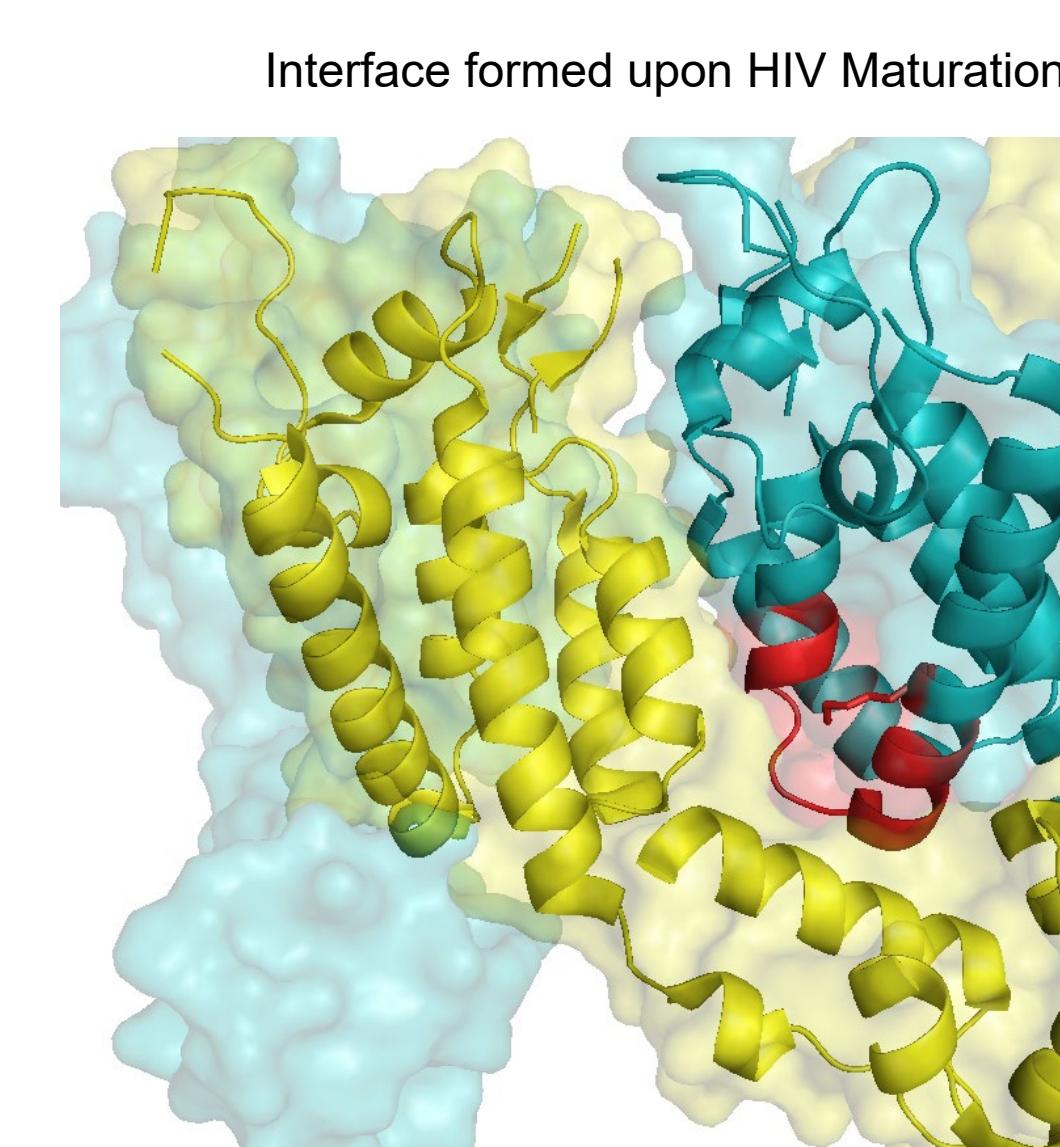
characterize changes in protein dynamics
due to ligand binding, mutations, polymerization

relatively pure protein (90%)
100 μ l @ 10 μ M

dilute into D2O buffer
sample over time
digest to 10-15 aa peptides
count deuterons
map onto structure



Lanman et al, J. Mol. Biol. 325:759 (2003)



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“Mass Don’t Lie”