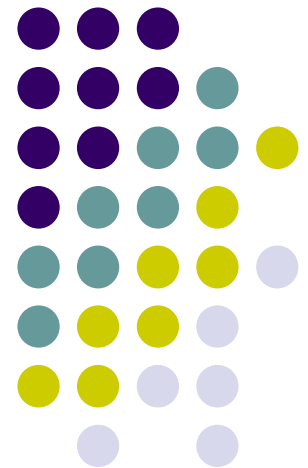


# Chap.8

# Ultra-trace Analysis

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# Introduction



- The reason to measure low concentration
  - 1) Biomagnification
  - 2) Many of compounds of concern ; high toxicity,  
can be used as an indication of environmental contamination
- Target compounds  
; PCDDs, PCDFs and PCBs etc
- Analytical methods
  - Factors affecting detection sensitivity ;
    - 1.increase the chromatographic resolution of the column
    2. Increase pretreatment to increase the removal of hidrance
    3. Change detector

# ◆ Poison of Dioxin



Ukrainian president

Victor, Yushchenko

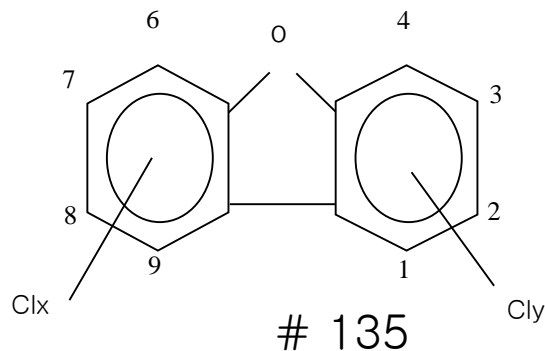
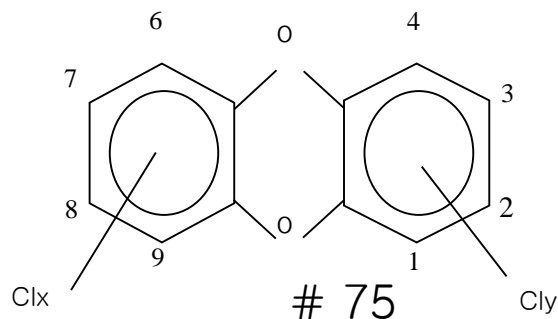


**Before**

**After**

Ukrainian presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko had blood levels of dioxin 6000 times higher than normal.

# Physicochemical Properties of dioxin



- PCDD/Fs (polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins and furans)

- total 210 isomer

- (17 toxic compounds)

- Very low water solubility  
(0.07 - 400 ng/l)

- Very low vapor pressure

- Strong binding affinity to organic material

- Sources ; combustion and by-products of chemical products

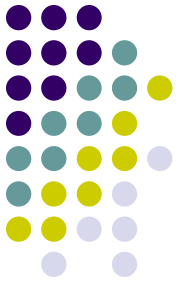
# PCDDs/Fs TEF (toxic equivalent factor) values



Homologue	Isomer	I-TEF	WHO
TCDD	2,3,7,8-TCDD	1	1
PeCDD	1,2,3,7,8-PCDD	0.5	1
HxCDD	1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD	0.1	0.1
	1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD	0.1	0.1
	1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD	0.1	0.1
HpCDD	1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD	0.01	0.01
OCDD	OCDD	0.001	0.0001
TCDF	2,3,7,8-TCDF	0.1	0.1
PeCDF	1,2,3,7,8-PCDF	0.05	0.05
	2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF	0.5	0.5
HxCDF	1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF	0.1	0.1
	1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF	0.1	0.1
	2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF	0.1	0.1
	1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF	0.1	0.1
HpCDF	1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF	0.01	0.01
	1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF	0.01	0.01
OCDF	OCDF	0.001	0.0001

- $TEQ = \sum (\text{conc} \times \text{TEF})$  - 2,3,7,8 - TCDD based  
ex ) 0.3 ng-TEQ/m<sup>3</sup>, 20 ng/m<sup>3</sup>

# TCDD Chromatogram

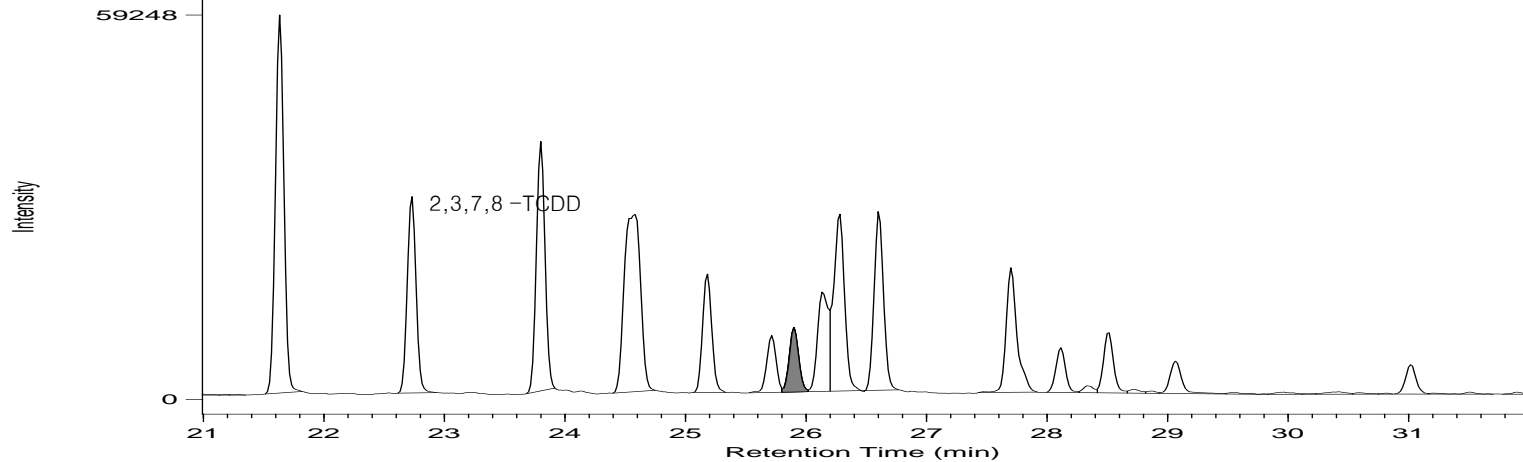


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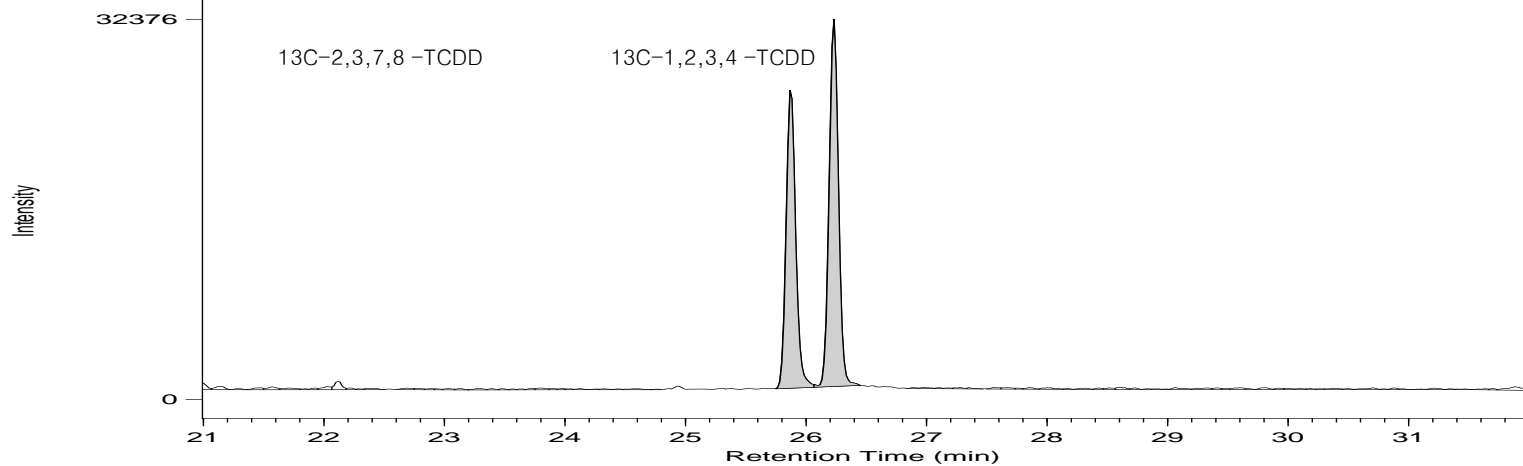
## Compound View

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Injection : seongwon

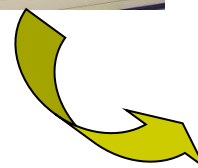
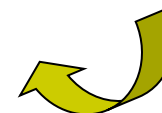
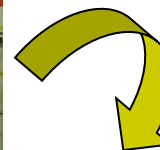
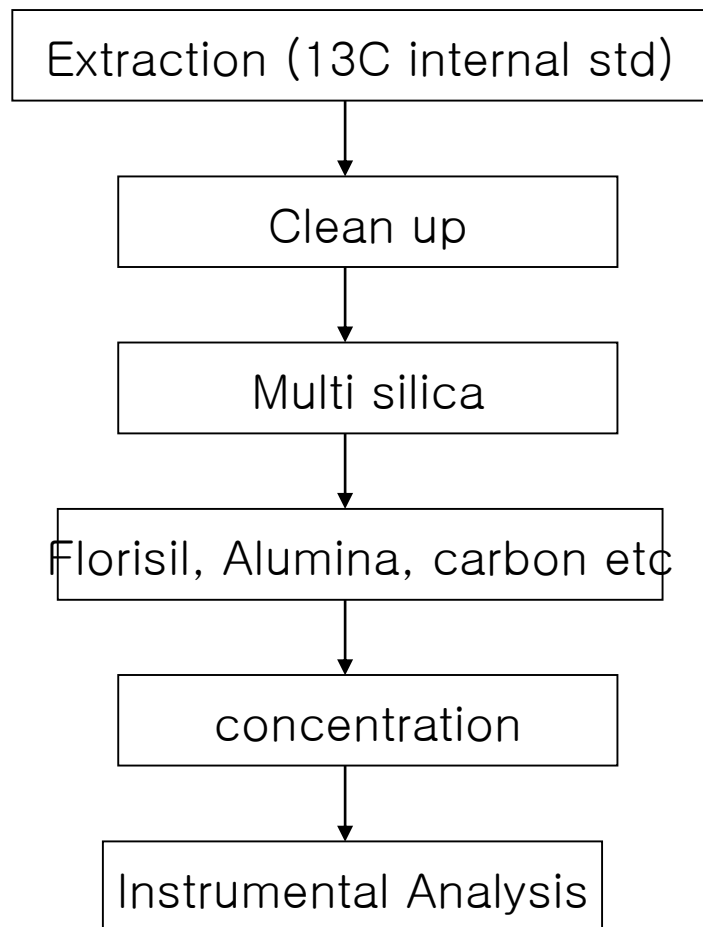
## T4CDD / Average



## 13C-T4CDD / Average



# Flow Chart of analysis



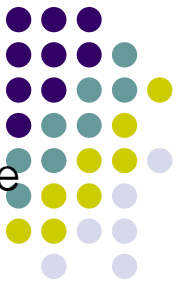
-To remove DDT, pesticides and PCBs etc, second column is required because of their similar chemical structures (neutral, non-polar, high MM)

# Pretreatment for PCDD/F analysis



Pretreatment	
Extraction	<b>Soxhlet ; reference extraction method</b> <b>Liquid-liquid extraction</b> <b>Accelerated solvent extraction (ASE) ; fast, high cost</b> <b>Ultrasonic extraction ; easy to use, large volume of solvent</b>
Acid treatment GPC	<b>To remove lipids and oxidizable compounds</b>
Clean-up	<b>Silica ; To remove polar compounds</b> <b>Alumina ; To separate PCBs and Dioxin</b> <b>Carbon ; To separate PCBs, and polychlorinated diphenyl ethers etc</b> <b>Copper ; To remove sulfur</b>





- **External standard method ;**

- make an calibration curve with known amount of analyte and compare the peak area (height) with peak area(height) obtained by making an injection of the sample quantitated.
- Can't consider matrix effect, can't get recovery information
- Injection volume precision is critical. Needs a uniform matrix

- **Internal standard method ;**

- Add a known amount of standard similar to the analyte of interest to the sample (use isotope ex;  $^{13}\text{C}$  standard)
- the most accurate type. Difficult to select the internal standard.
- injection volume precision not critical
- can get recovery of internal standard



# Mass spectrometry

-Resolution ; ion separation power of mass spectrometer

$$R = M/\Delta M$$

M : mass of an ion  $\Delta M$ ; difference of two separated ion

Dioxin mass range ; 300 ~ 600

$$300/0.1 = 3000$$

low resolution ~ 1000 (can tell the difference unit 1)

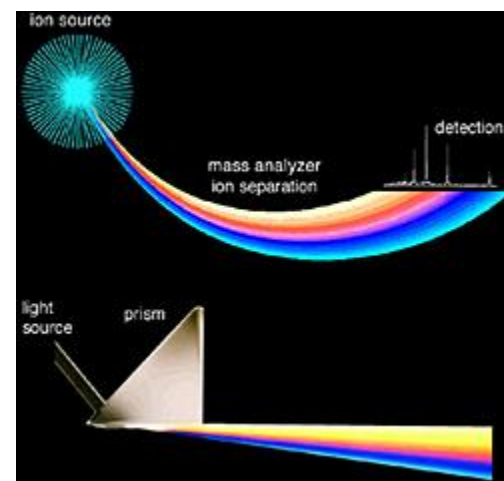
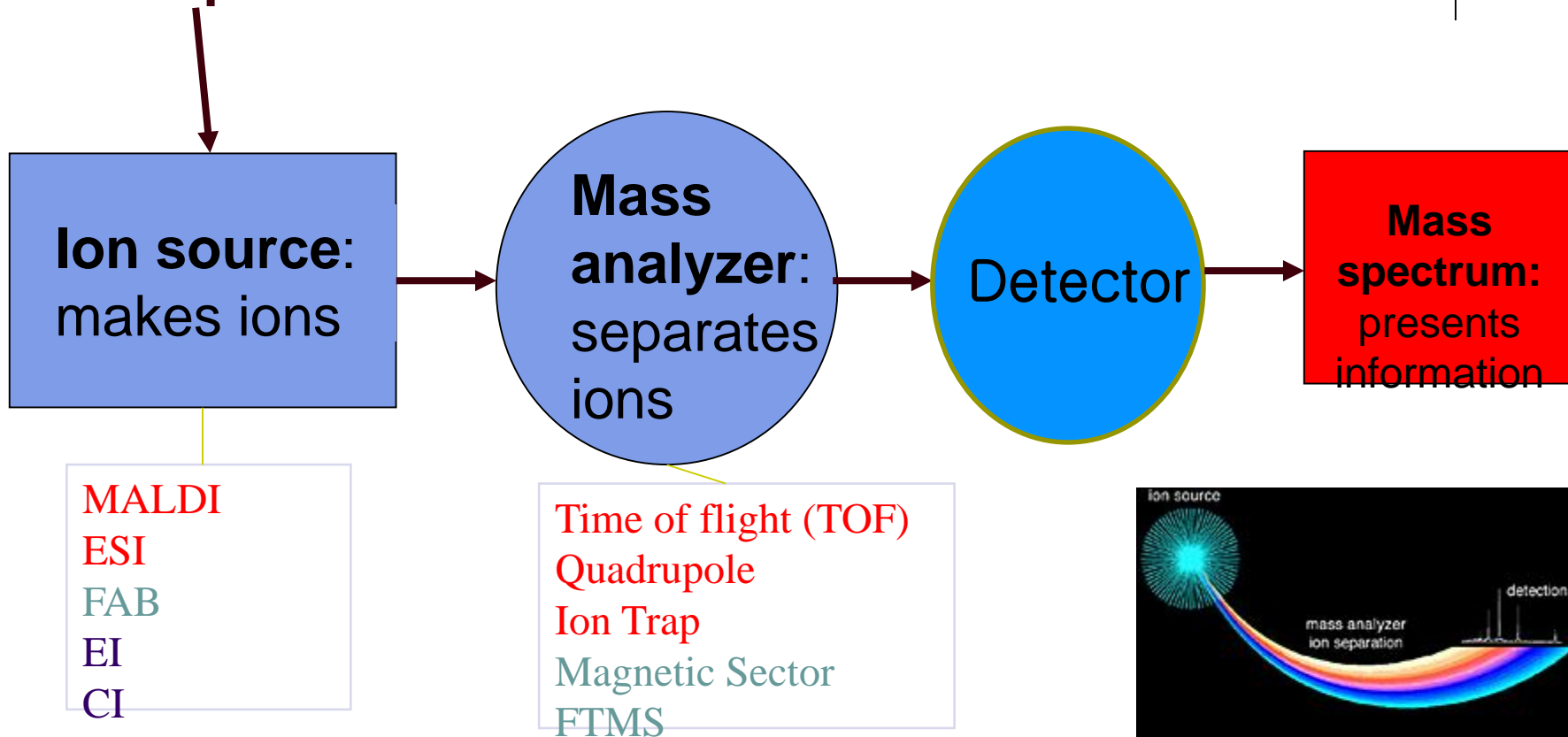
High resolution > 10,000

# Mass spectrometry ;

- An analytical chemistry technique that helps identify the amount and type of chemicals present in a sample by measuring the mass to charge ratio (by Wikipedia)



**Sample**



# Electron ionization, EI



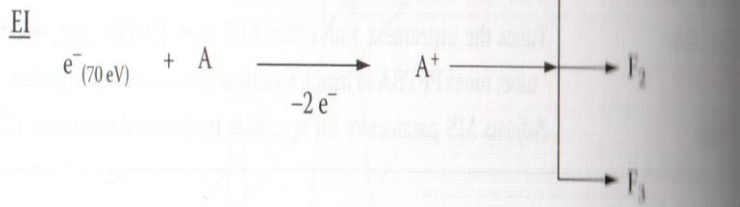
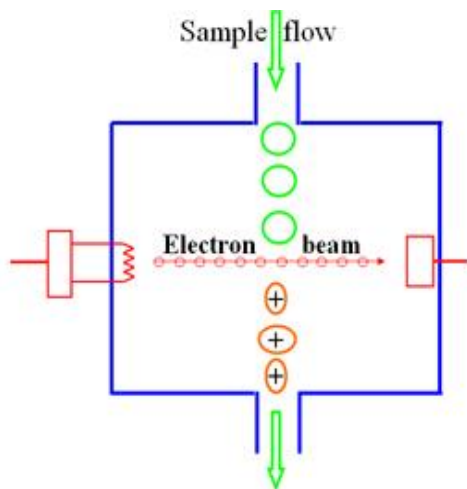
1. Electrons produced from a heated filament are accelerated through an electric field at 70eV to form an electron beam
2. sample is thermally desorbed
3. electrons transfer some of their kinetic energy to the molecule M. (ionization)  
$$M + e^-(70\text{eV}) \rightarrow M^+ + 2e^-$$
4.  $M^+ \rightarrow$  molecular ion + fragment ion + neutral fragments

hard ionization, bombard with highly energetic electrons, fragmentation

-advantage : use of fragmentation pattern as a fingerprint with databases to identify unknowns. Structural information obtained from fragmentation pattern.

-disadvantage : possible decomposition, too much fragmentation, often resulting in no observable molecular ion

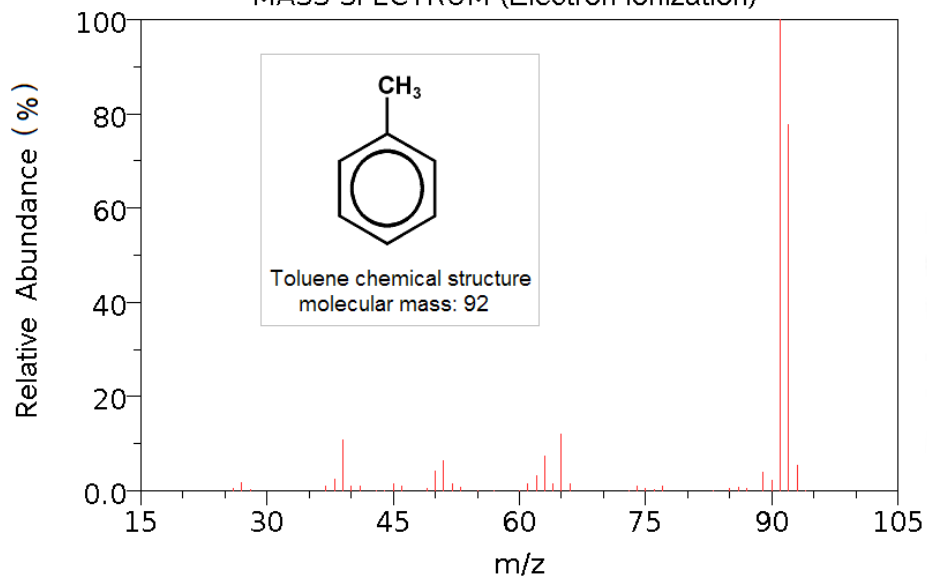
# EI (Electron impact)



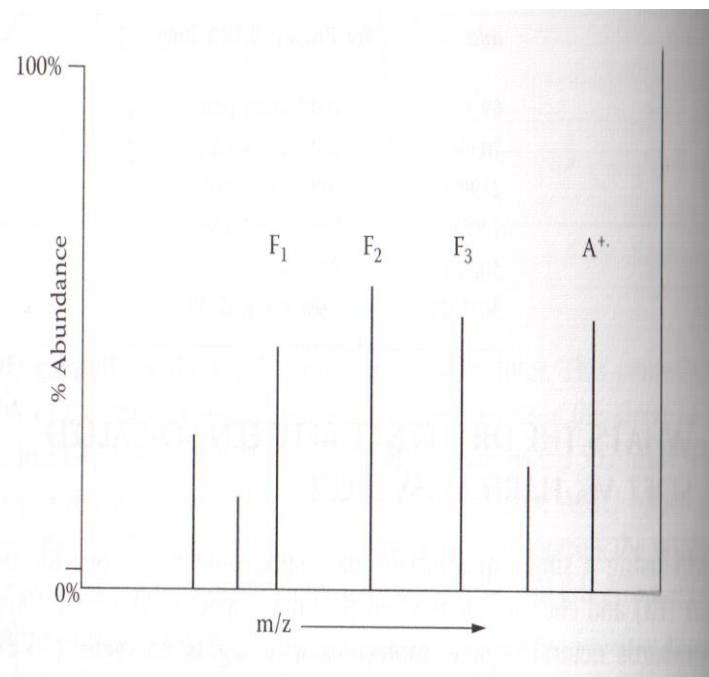
<http://departments.aari.huii.ac.il/zabam/Polaris-Q.html>

Toluene C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>

MASS SPECTRUM (Electron Ionization)

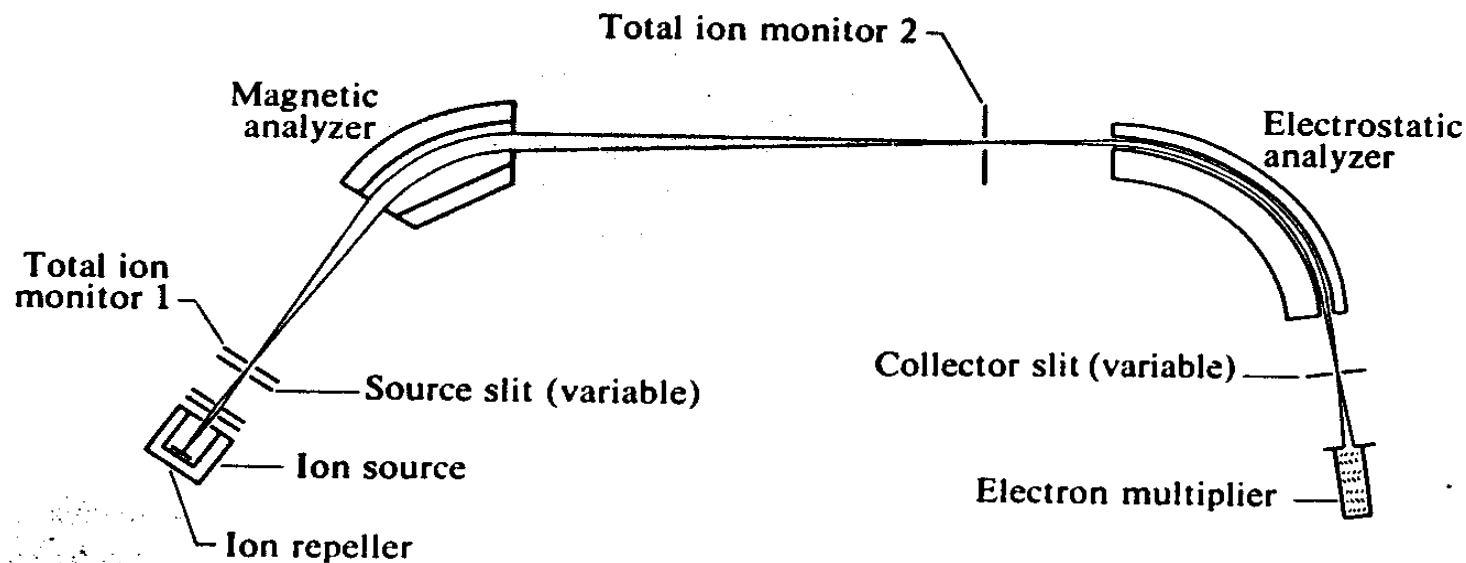


NIST Chemistry WebBook (<http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry>)



## • Double Sector mass spectrometer

- Ionization (Electron impact (EI)) under high vacuum → Production of molecules fragment → Produced ions are focused into a beam and accelerated → Separated with mass to charge in magnetic and electrostatic field



Double Sector mass spectrometer



# HRGC/HRMS

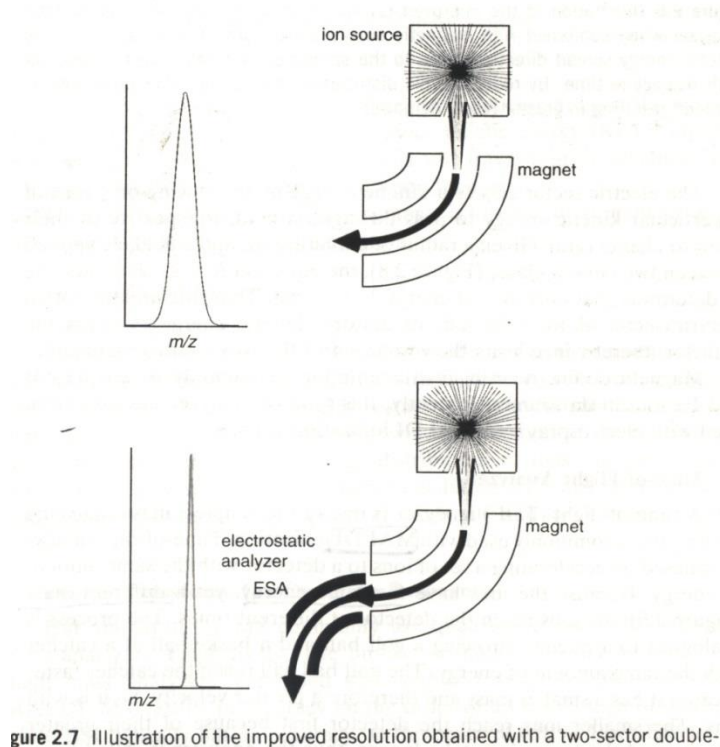
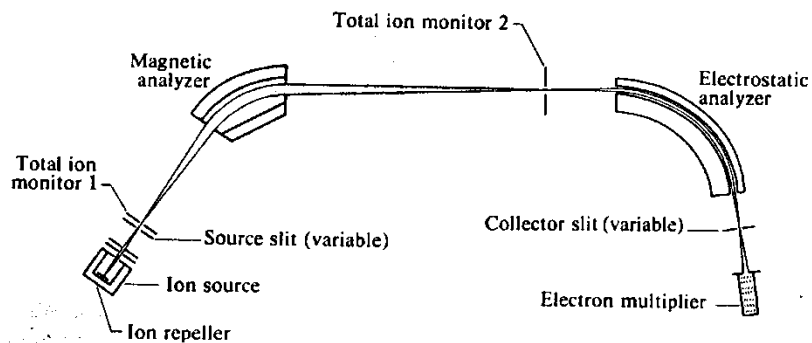


Figure 2.7 Illustration of the improved resolution obtained with a two-sector double-



- Magnetic sector

$$M/z = R^2 H^2 / 2V$$

$m$  ; 이온질량

$z$  ; 이온의 전하수

$R$  ; 곡률반경

$H$  ; 자기장 세기

$V$  ; 가속전압

-electric sector ; acts as a kinetic energy filter. (allow only ions of a particular kinetic energy to pass through its field, irrespective of their mass to charge ratio)

- double focusing
- high resolution



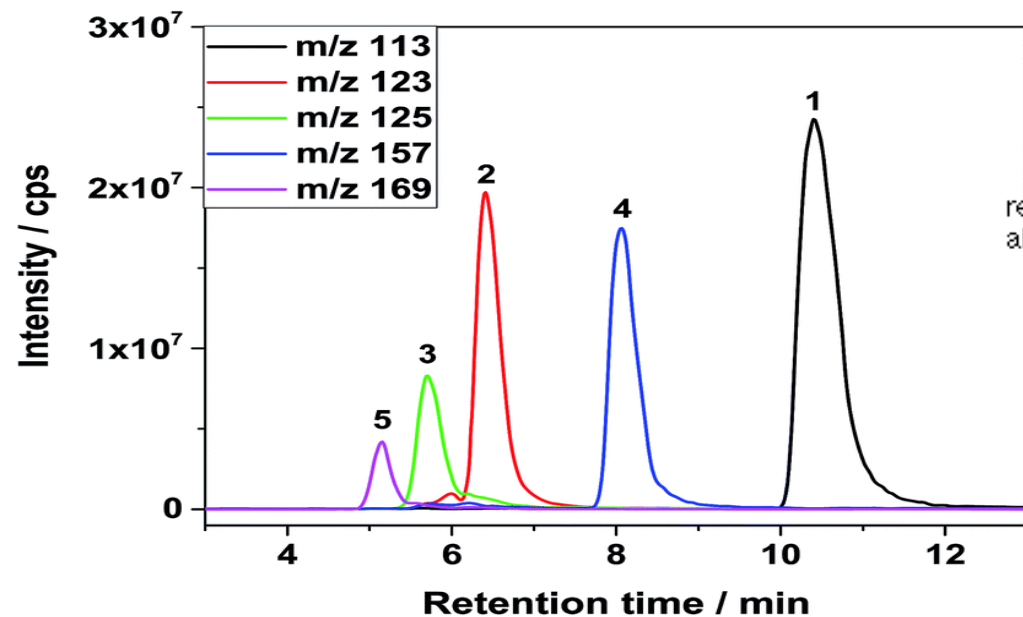
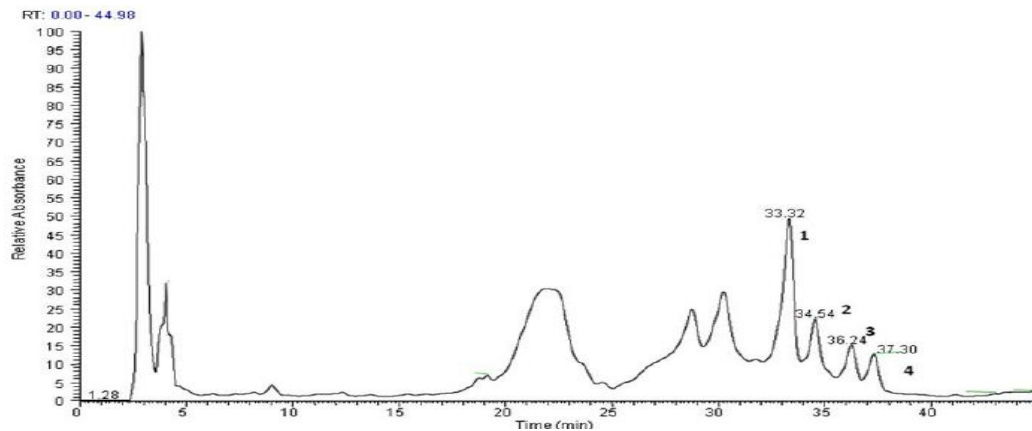
mass spectrum is an intensity vs.  $m/z$  (mass to charge ratio) plot

**Mass chromatogram** ; a representation of mass spectrometry data as a chromatogram, where the **x-axis** represents **time** and the **y-axis** represents **signal intensity**

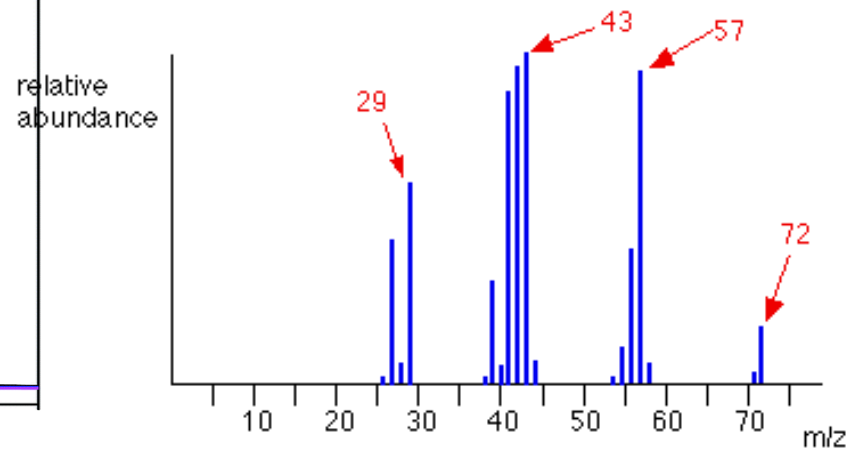
The **total ion current (TIC) chromatogram** represents the summed intensity across the entire range of masses being detected at every point in the analysis

–by the wikipedia





simplified mass spectrum of 2-methylbutane -  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$   
 $\text{CH}_3$



# • mass analysis

- SIM ; selected ion monitoring, increase sensitivity in comparison with total ion current detection
- Scan ; can obtain the mass spectrum over the required mass range

- Isotope ratio ; measure the ratio of  $^{35}\text{Cl}$  and  $^{37}\text{Cl}$  (3:1)

Selected ion detection at two or more  $m/z$  values

ex) TCDD	$m/z$	ratio
$^{12}\text{C}_{12}^{1}\text{H}_4^{16}\text{O}_2^{35}\text{Cl}_4 = 320$	77	
$^{12}\text{C}_{12}^{1}\text{H}_4^{16}\text{O}_2^{35}\text{Cl}_3^{37}\text{Cl} = 322$	100	

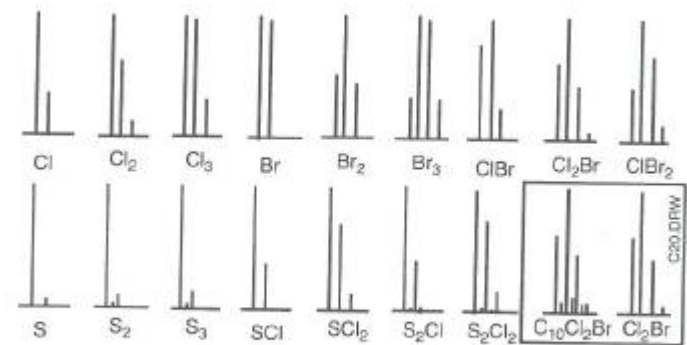


Figure 5.3

Useful isotope combinations in mass spectrometry. Isotopes of other

