

Have you **lost** the hybridoma for your key research antibody?

Has batch-to-batch variability made your research irreproducible?

Are you down to the **last 9**µg of your sample?







## Mass spectrometry-based protein sequencing

can rescue lost antibodies, improve reproducibility & identify glycosylation sites. Due to the sensitivity & resolution of modern mass spectrometers, and the advancement of machine learning-based algorithms, researchers are now able to safeguard their efforts and ensure the legitimacy, accuracy & reproducibility of their research.



- Is the **leading** protein sequencing platform
- Achieves full sequence coverage with the highest accuracy and throughput
- Successfully handles protein contaminants and oligoclonal backgrounds
- Safeguards lifetime reproducibility





# **OUR PROCESS**



Our REmAb® platform uses proprietary algorithms incorporating Big Data and machine learning to determine the highest probability sequence.

We ensure you receive not only 100% coverage, but also 100% accuracy.

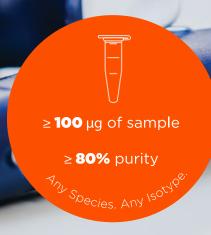
Upon receiving your sample, we perform proprietary protein chemistry and multiple digestions, utilizing a minimum of 5 enzymes. We then analyze your samples using industry leading Orbitrap™ mass spectrometers.

Once the mass spec acquisition is complete, the data is automatically uploaded and analyzed by our REmAb® sequencing platform. Although our sequencing and assembly stages are fully automated, our bioinformatics specialists also manually check the resulting sequence alongside the generated spectra, ensuring we attain not only 100% coverage, but also 100% accuracy.

Results are then delivered electronically (password encrypted) within 1-2 weeks.

\* expedited options are available

# TURNAROUND TIME 1 week 2 weeks 3 weeks 4 weeks 2-10 samples 11-20 samples



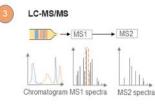
### The REmAb® Process



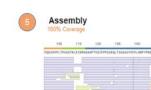








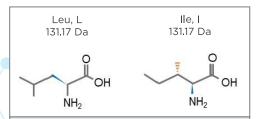




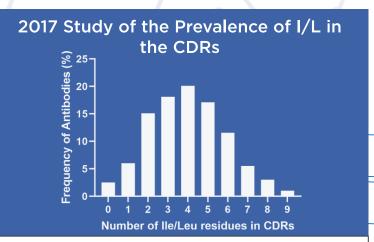








Isoleucine (I) and leucine (L) are isobaric amino acids, meaning they have **the same molecular mass**. Using conventional MS techniques, you cannot easily distinguish between the two.



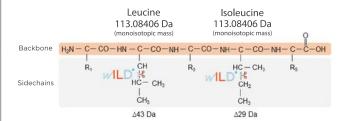
97% mAbs will contain >1 lle/Leu residue in their CDRs

>50% mAbs contained >4 Ile/Leu residues in their CDRs

~10% of sequenced mAbs contained >7 Ile/Leu residues

WILD® uncovers all Ile and Leu residues accurately and with high throughput

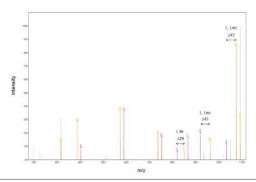
### How does WILD® work?



Though I and L are isobaric, their w-ions are not.

Rapid Novor employs proprietary protein chemistry & Orbitrap Fusion<sup>m</sup> instruments that perform electron-transfer high energy collision dissociation (EThcD). By observing the difference between the mass of z- and w-ions, we are able to distinguish isoleucine from leucine.

To sequence a protein, digested peptides are analyzed in a mass spectrometer, where the peptide backbone undergoes fragmentation into many N- and C-terminal ions, including z-ions. C-terminal z-ions contain the sidechains of the peptide backbone. Fragmentation of the z-ion sidechainds yields w-ions.



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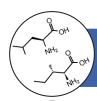
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# WHY RAPID NOVOR?



We were the first to offer a high-throughput commercial solution to distinguish between isoleucine and leucine



We have successfully delivered a full protein sequence with only 9µg of starting material



We are the largest privately funded mass spec proteomics acility in Canada



We have a proven track record of successfully sequencing oligoclonal projects

We were focused on species isotype switching for our research. As there is high species diversity, there is no hybridoma. Sequencing our antibodies saved us money and time in evaluating targets and characterising them.



Rapid Novor Inc, has successfully completed thousands of protein sequencing projects and has won the trust of more than 230 scientific institutions around the world.



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