

Selecting mobile phase and column for non-targeted LC/ESI/HRMS analysis

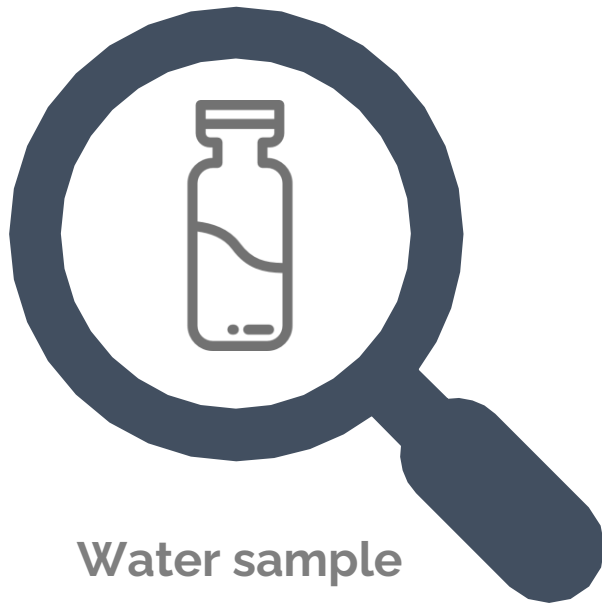
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LC/ESI/HRMS



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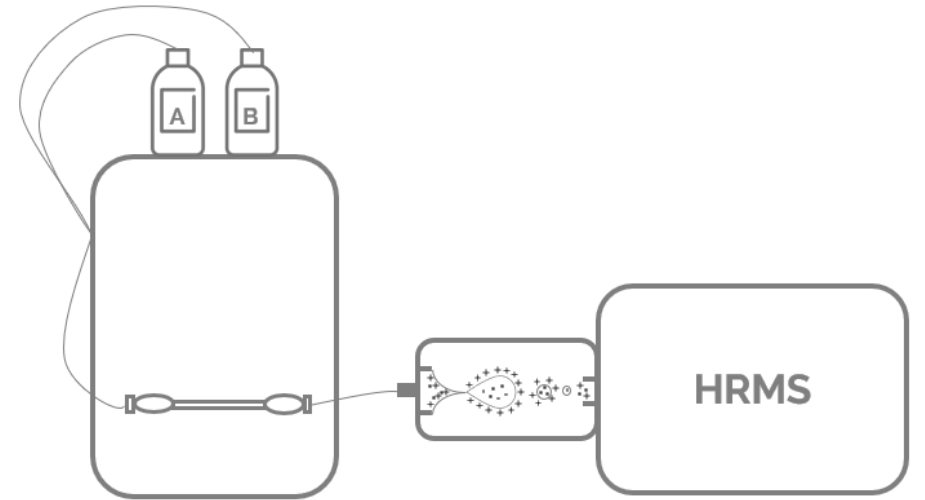


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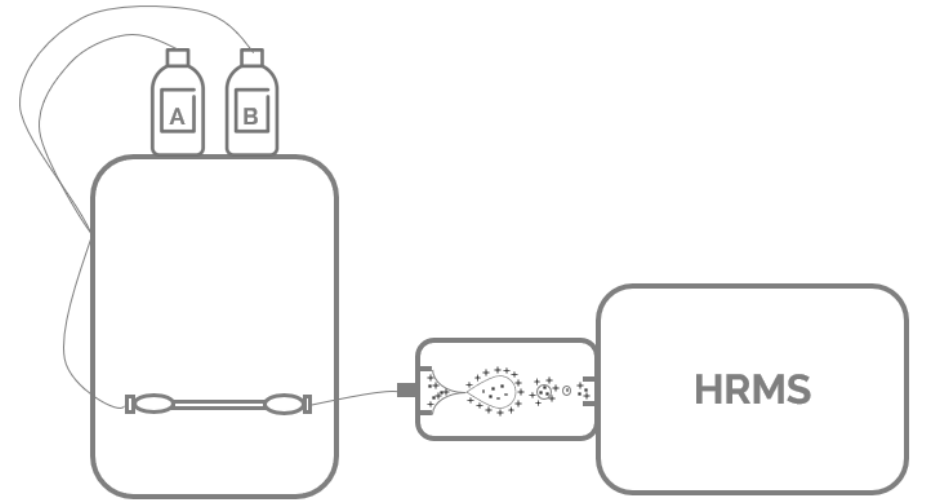


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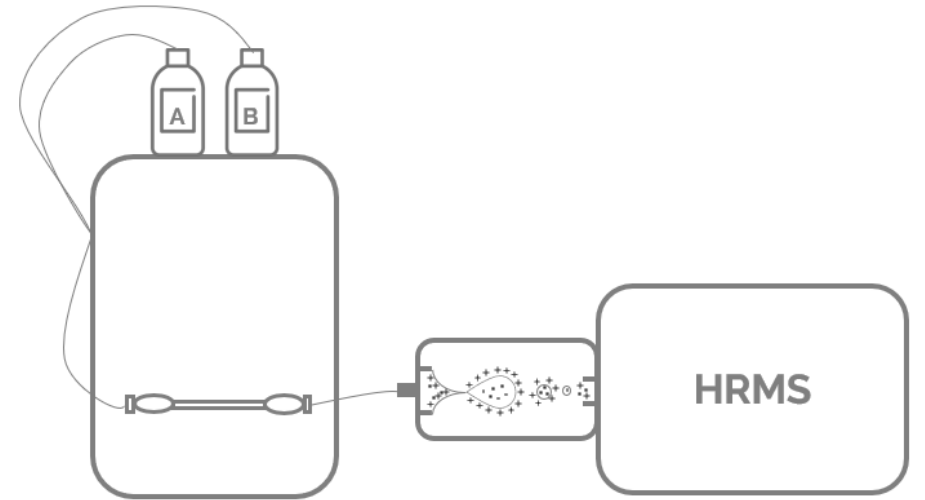
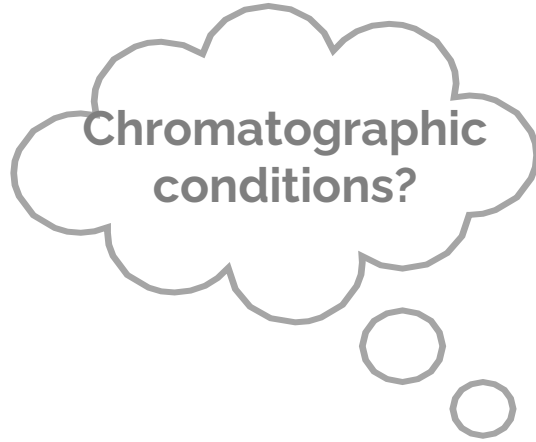


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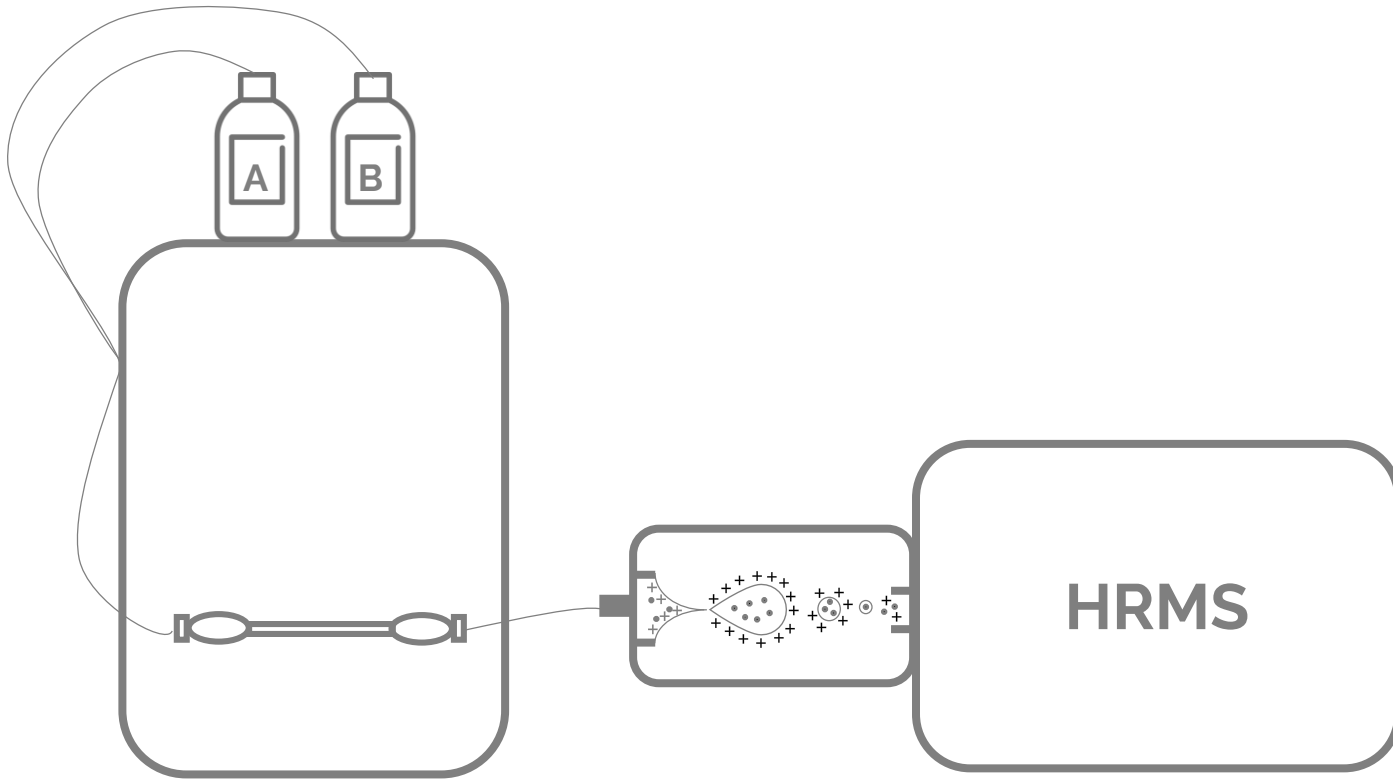
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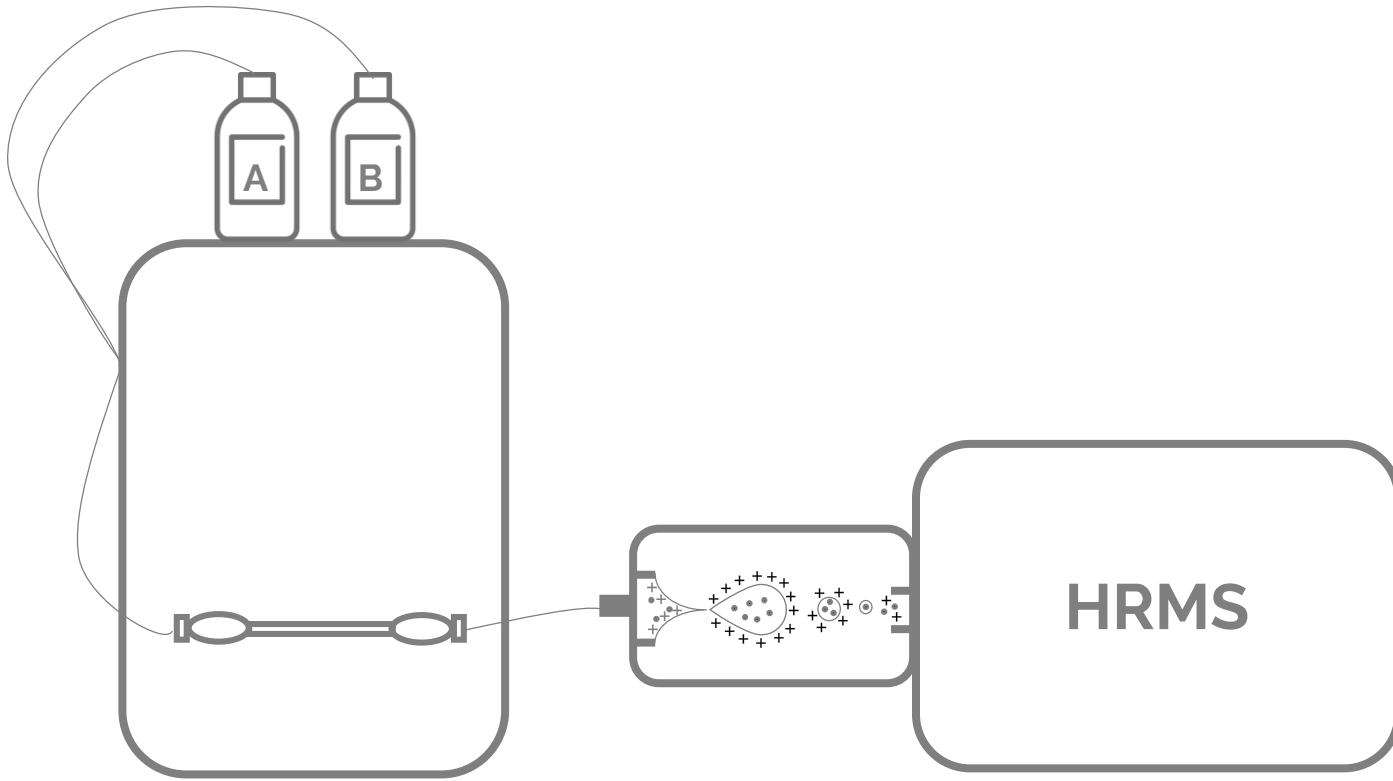


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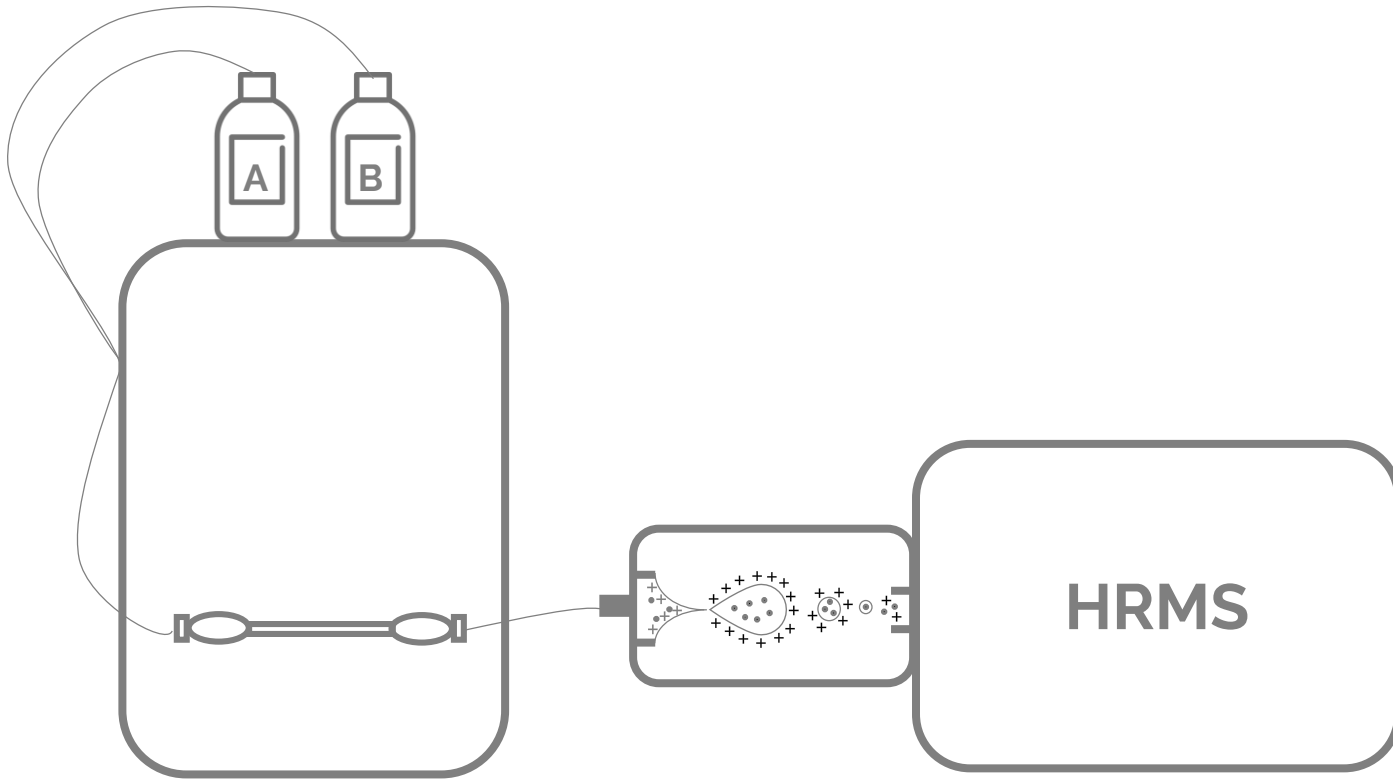


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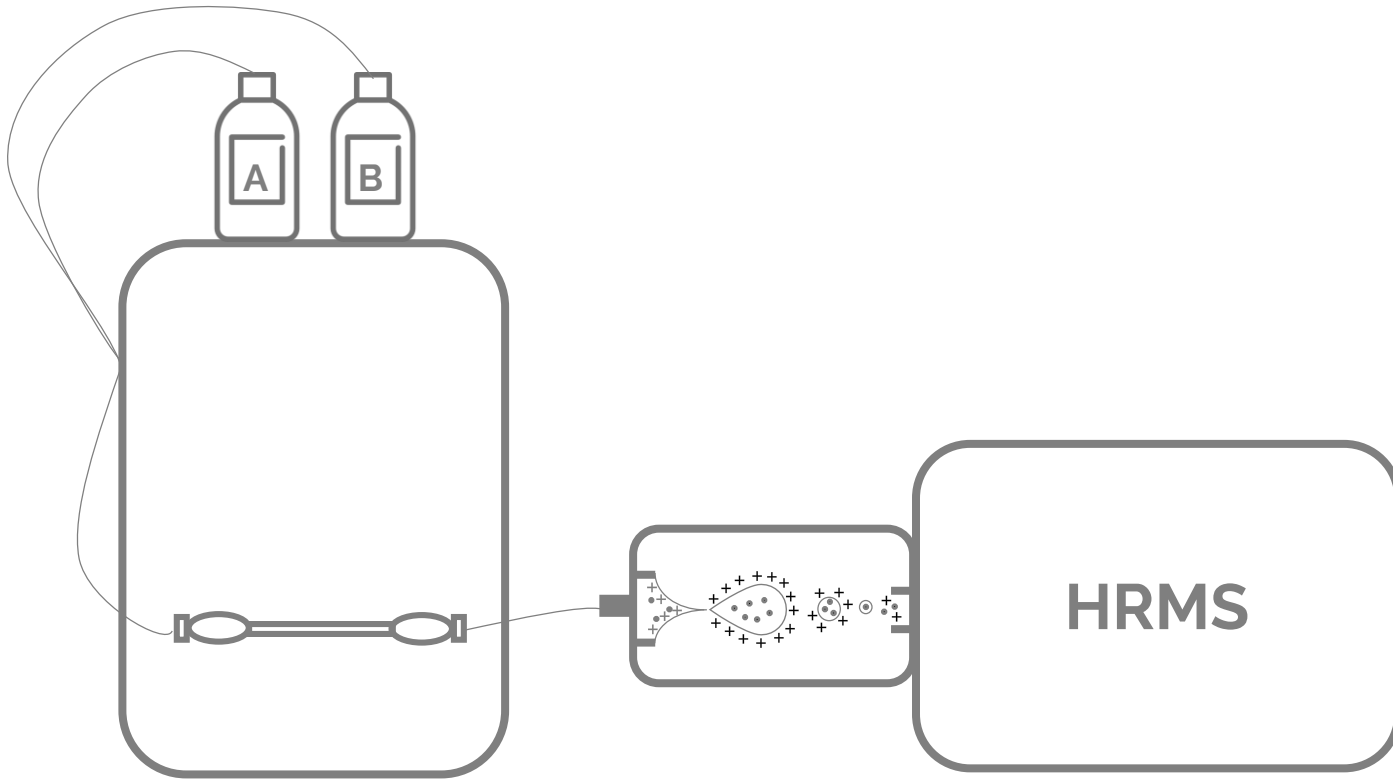




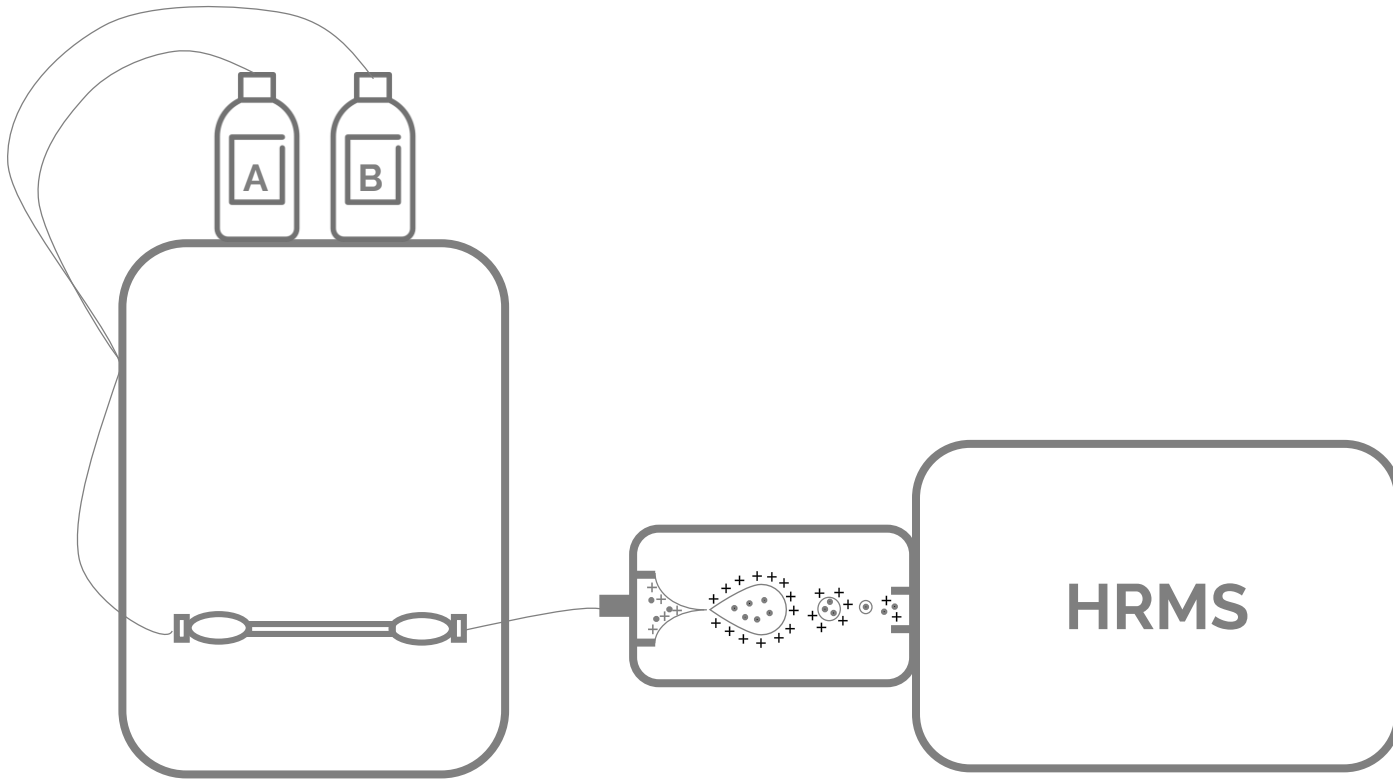
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NORMAN compounds in MassBank(S1)

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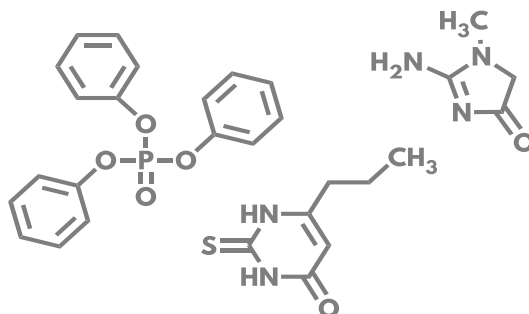
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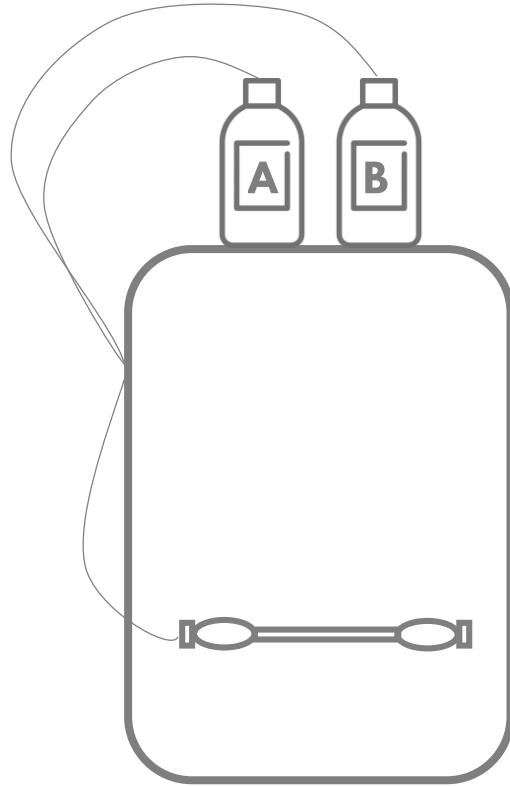
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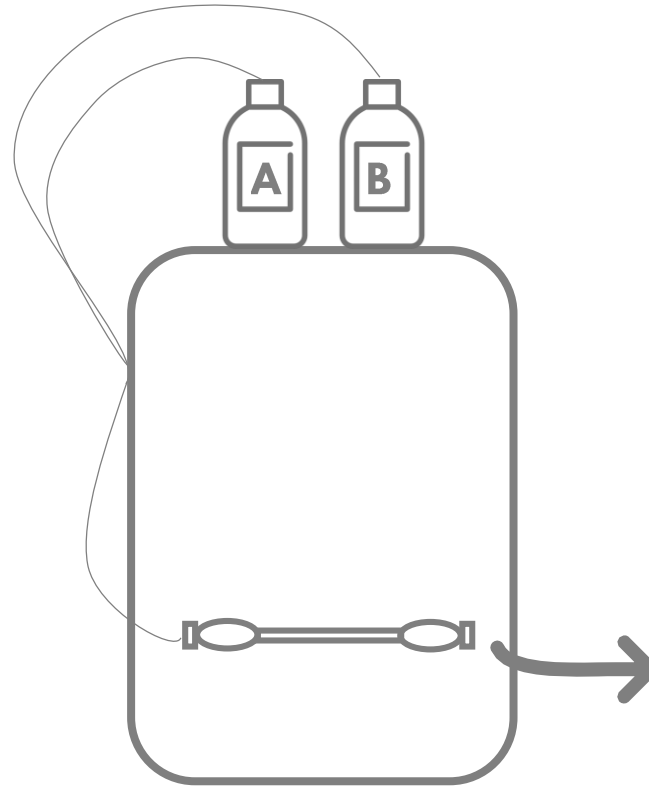
102 Selected compounds



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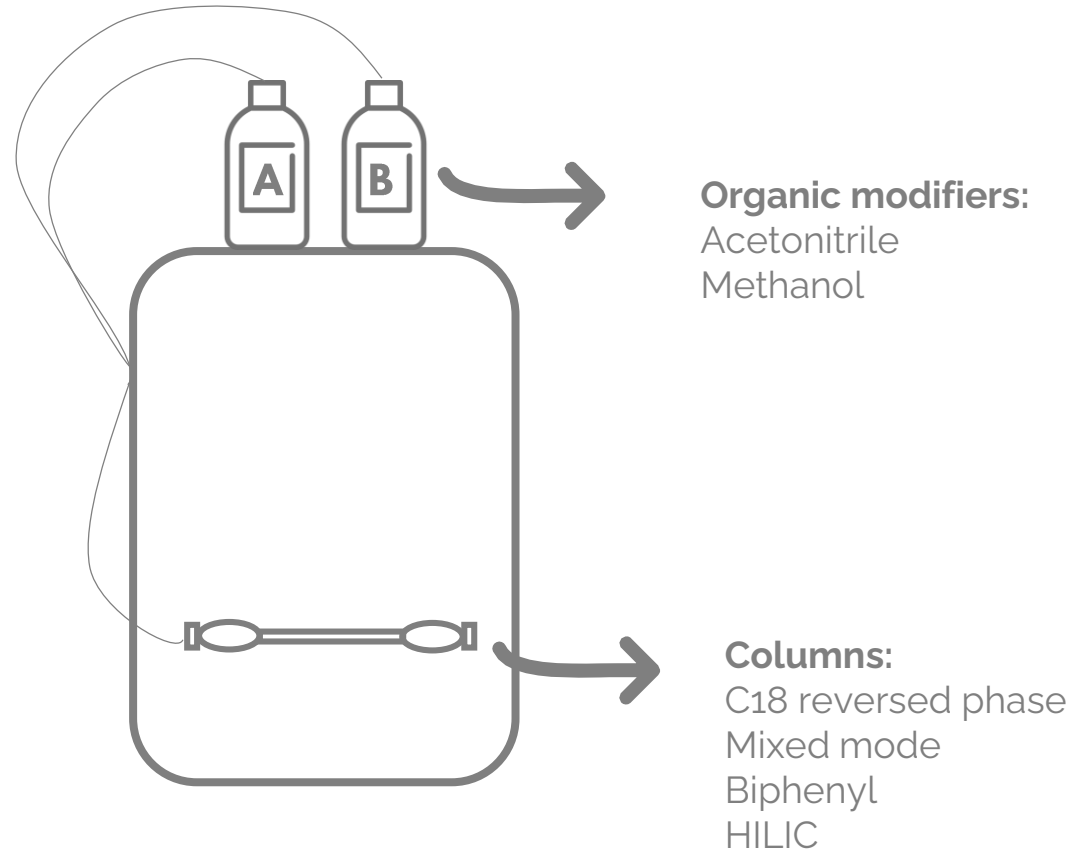
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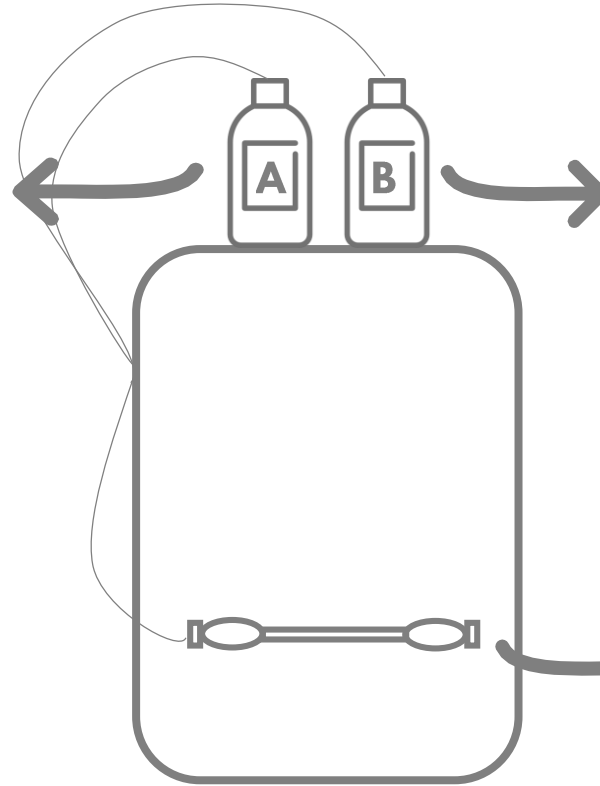
C18 reversed phase
Mixed mode
Biphenyl
HILIC

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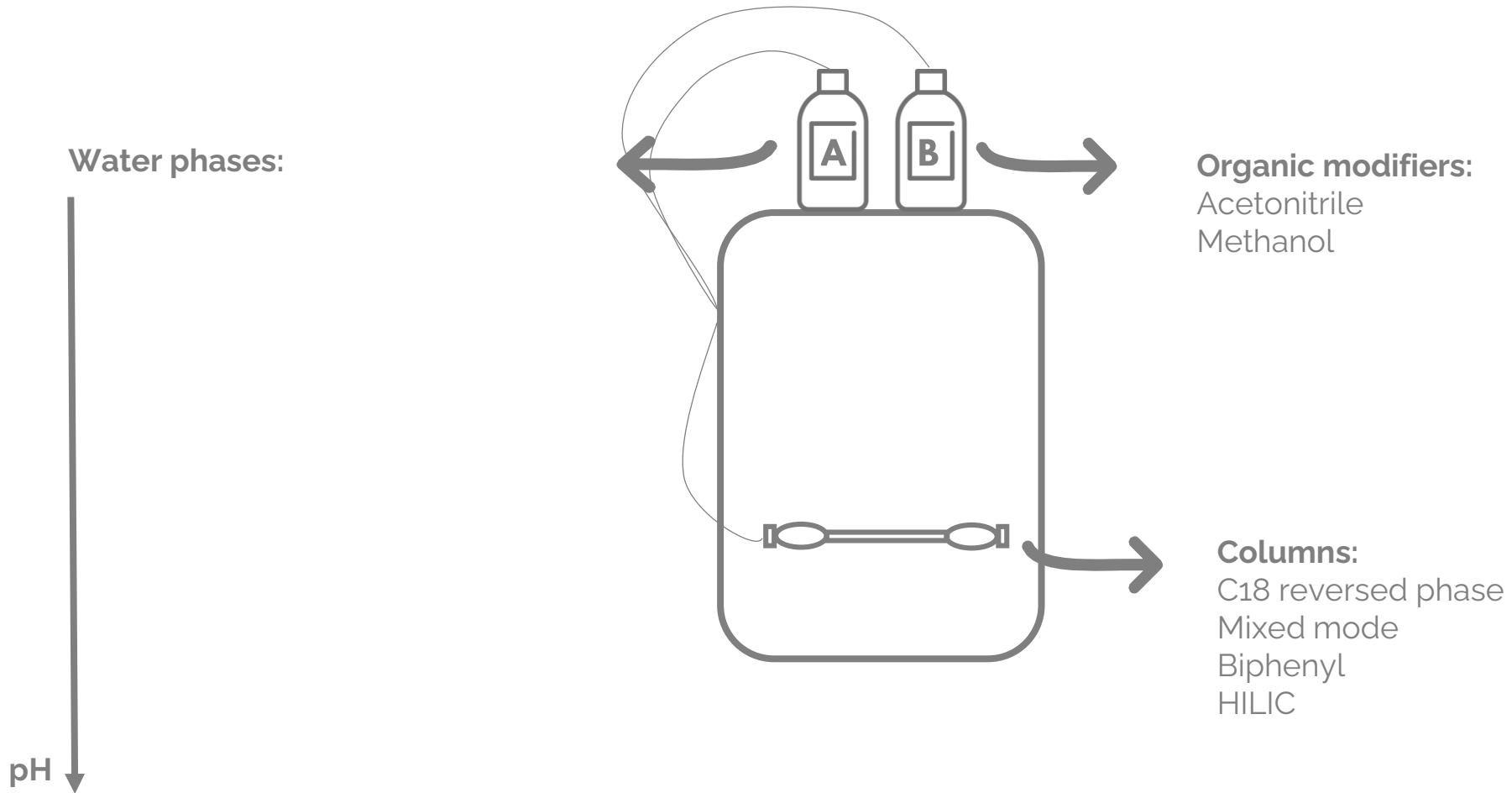
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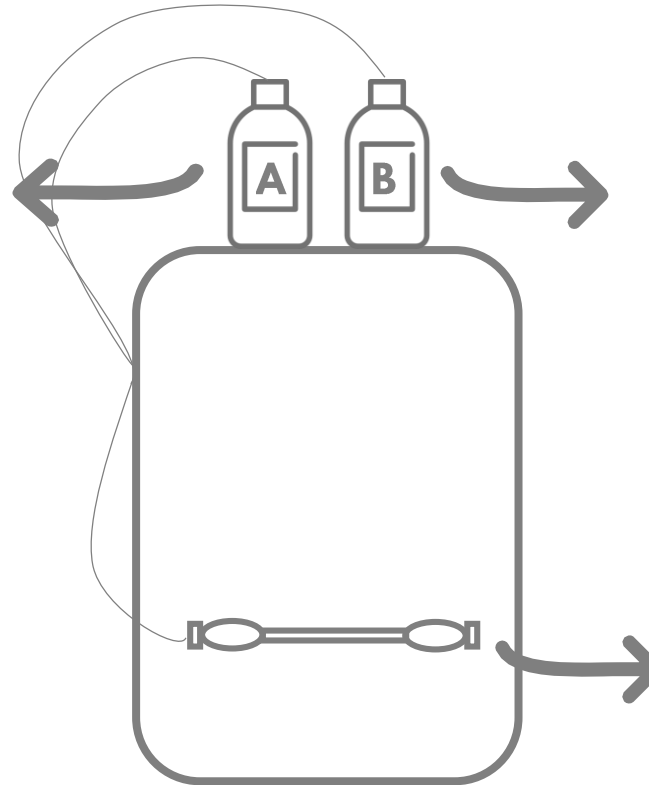


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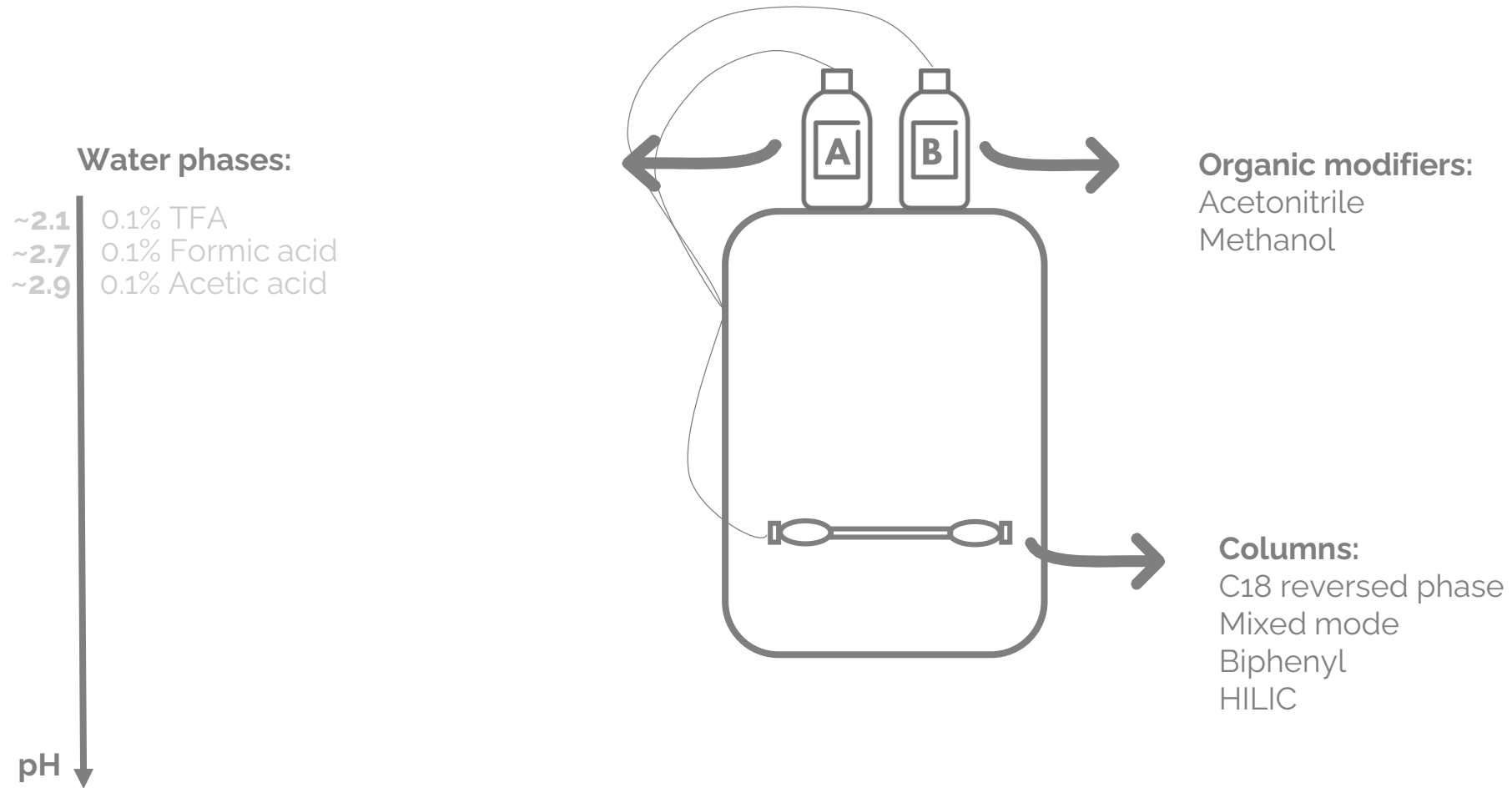
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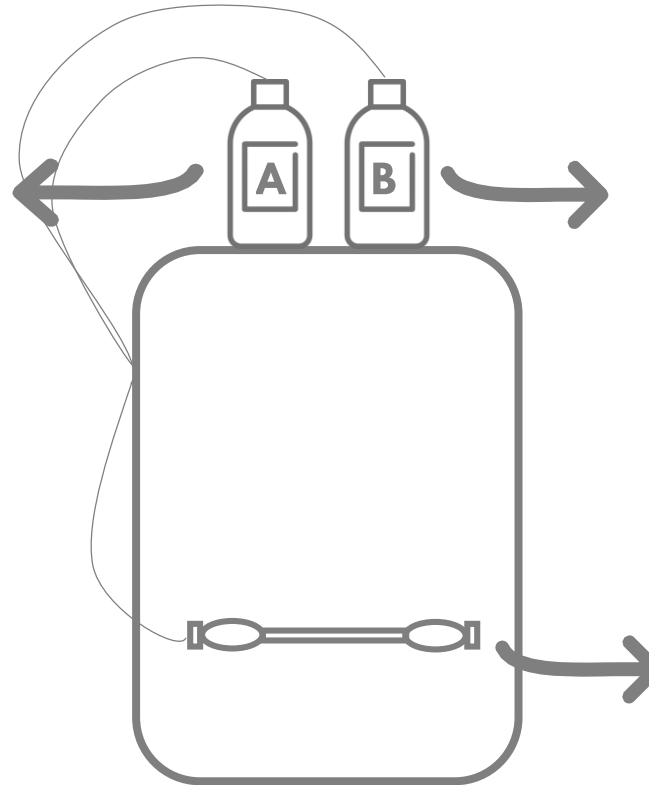


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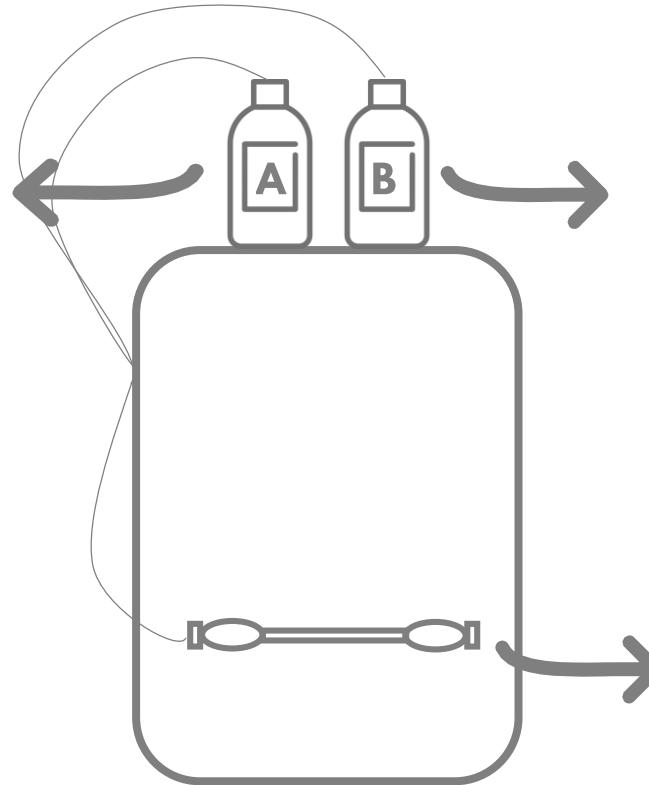
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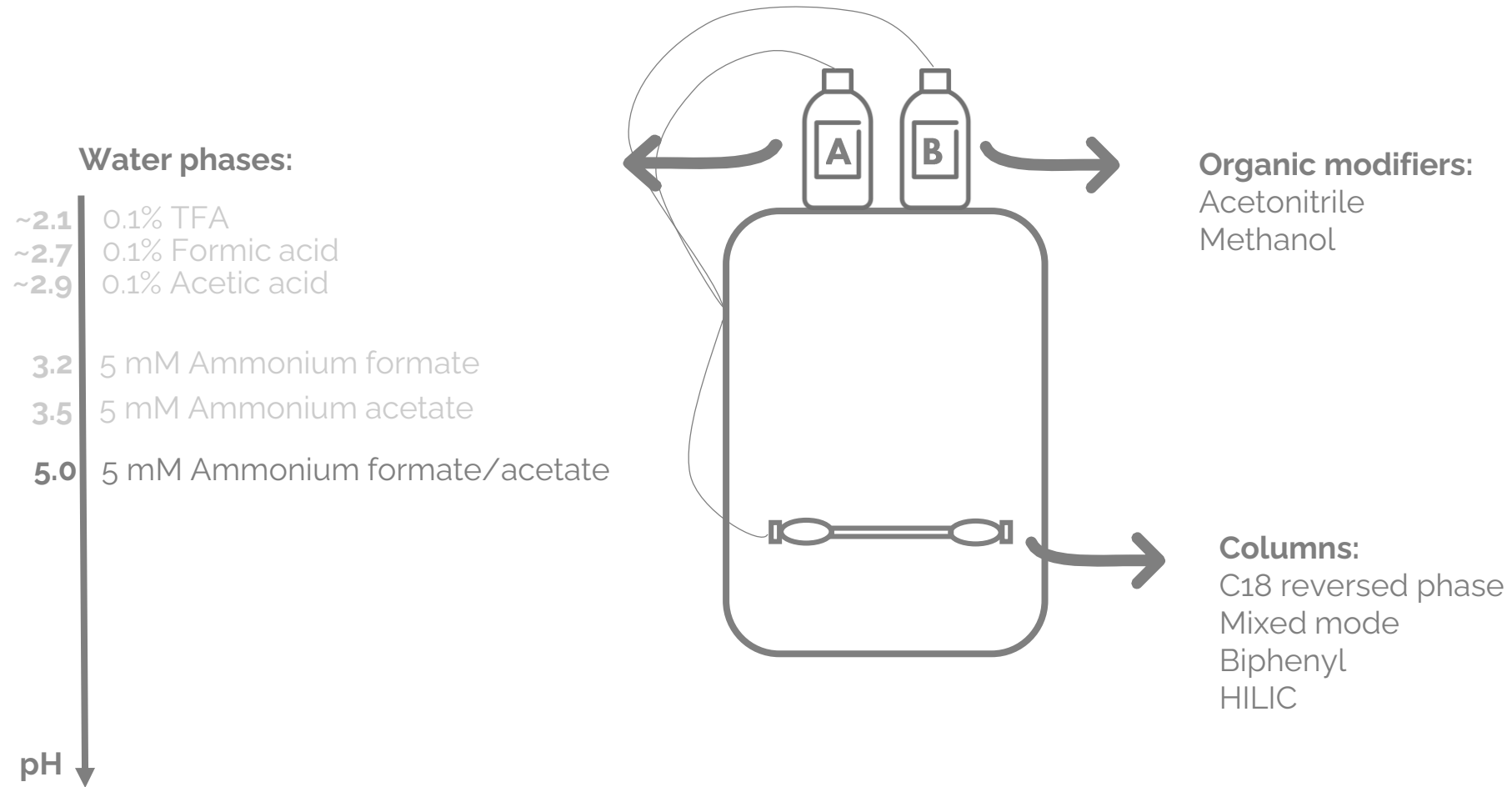
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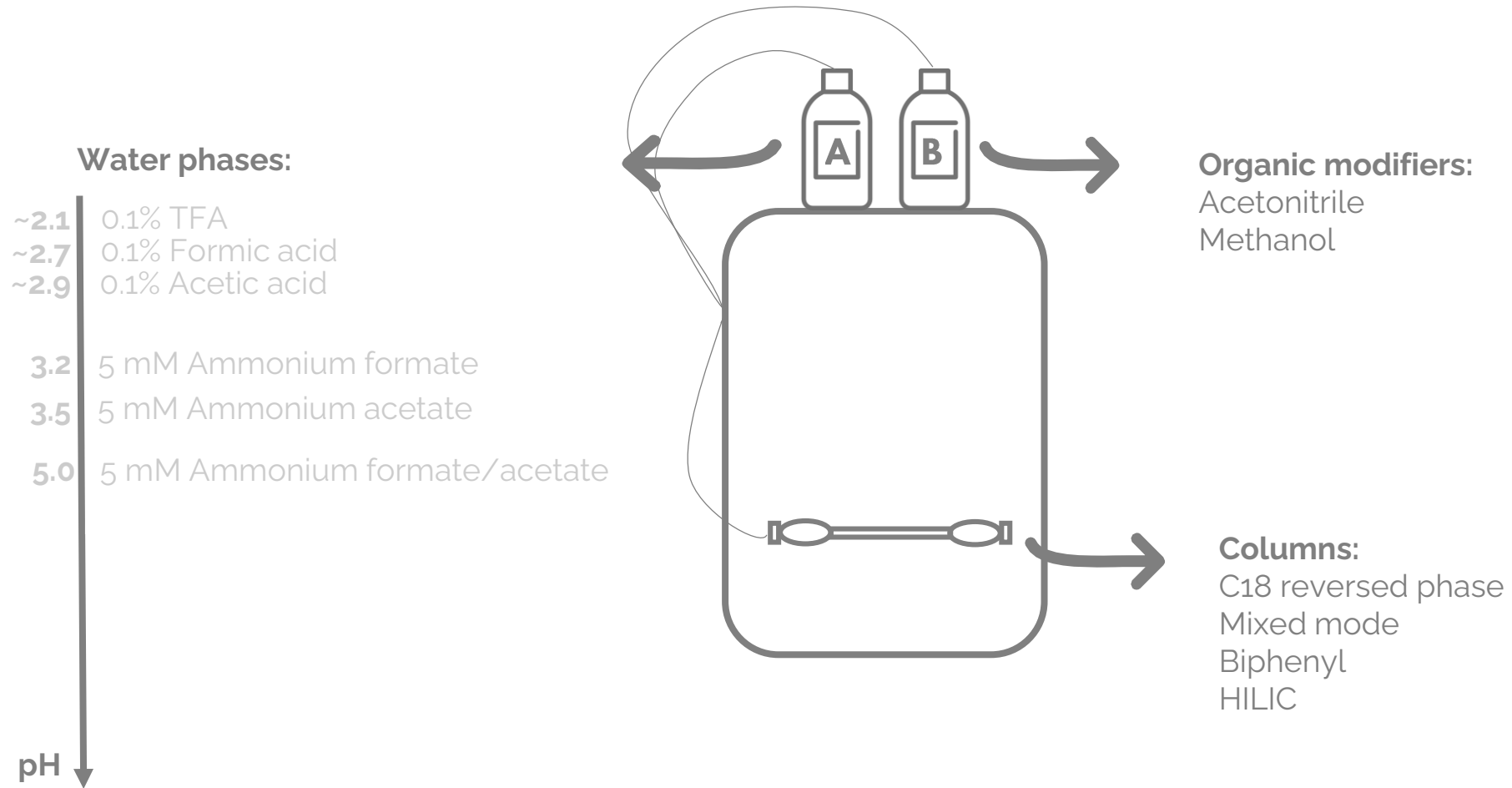
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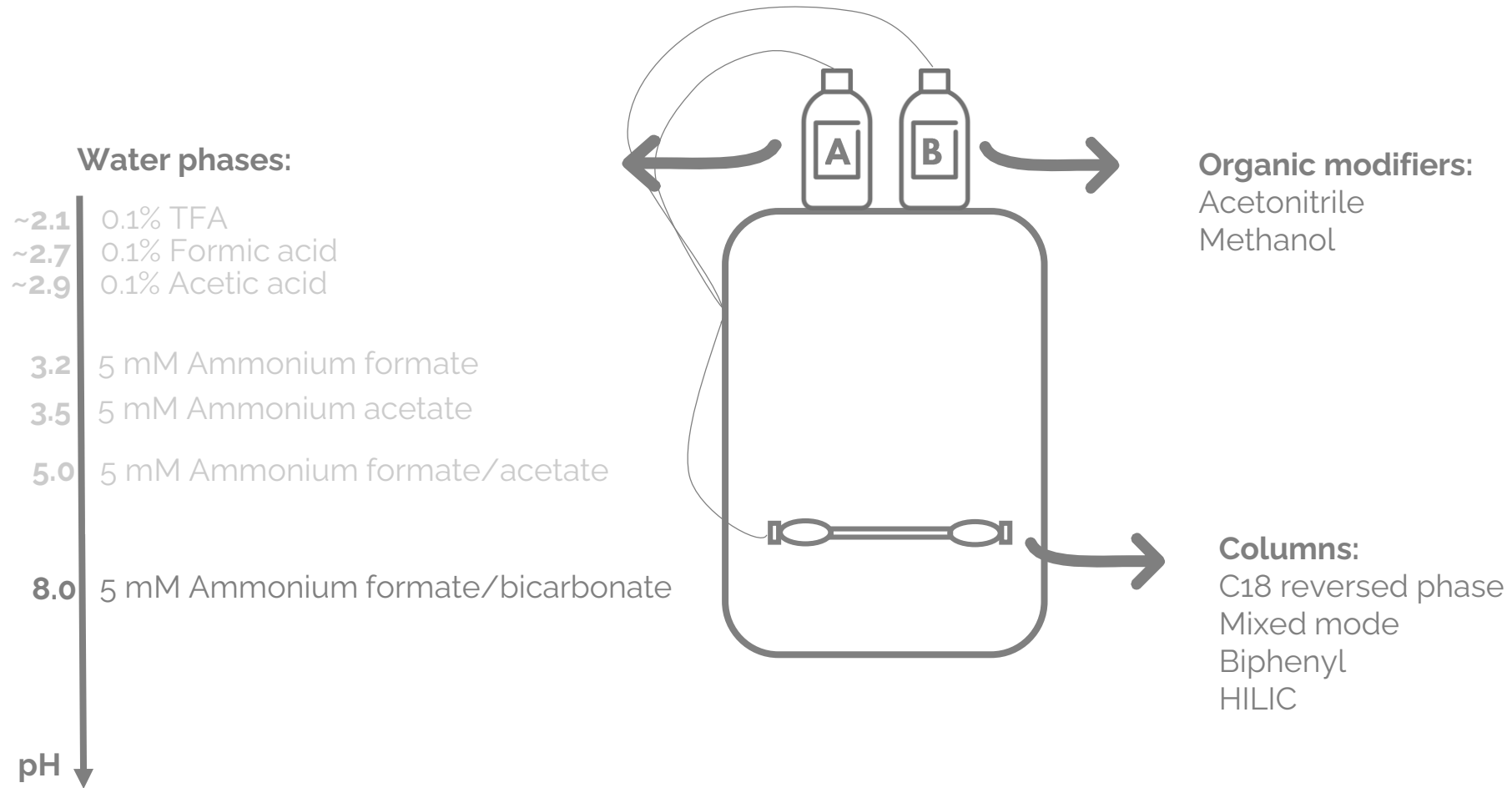
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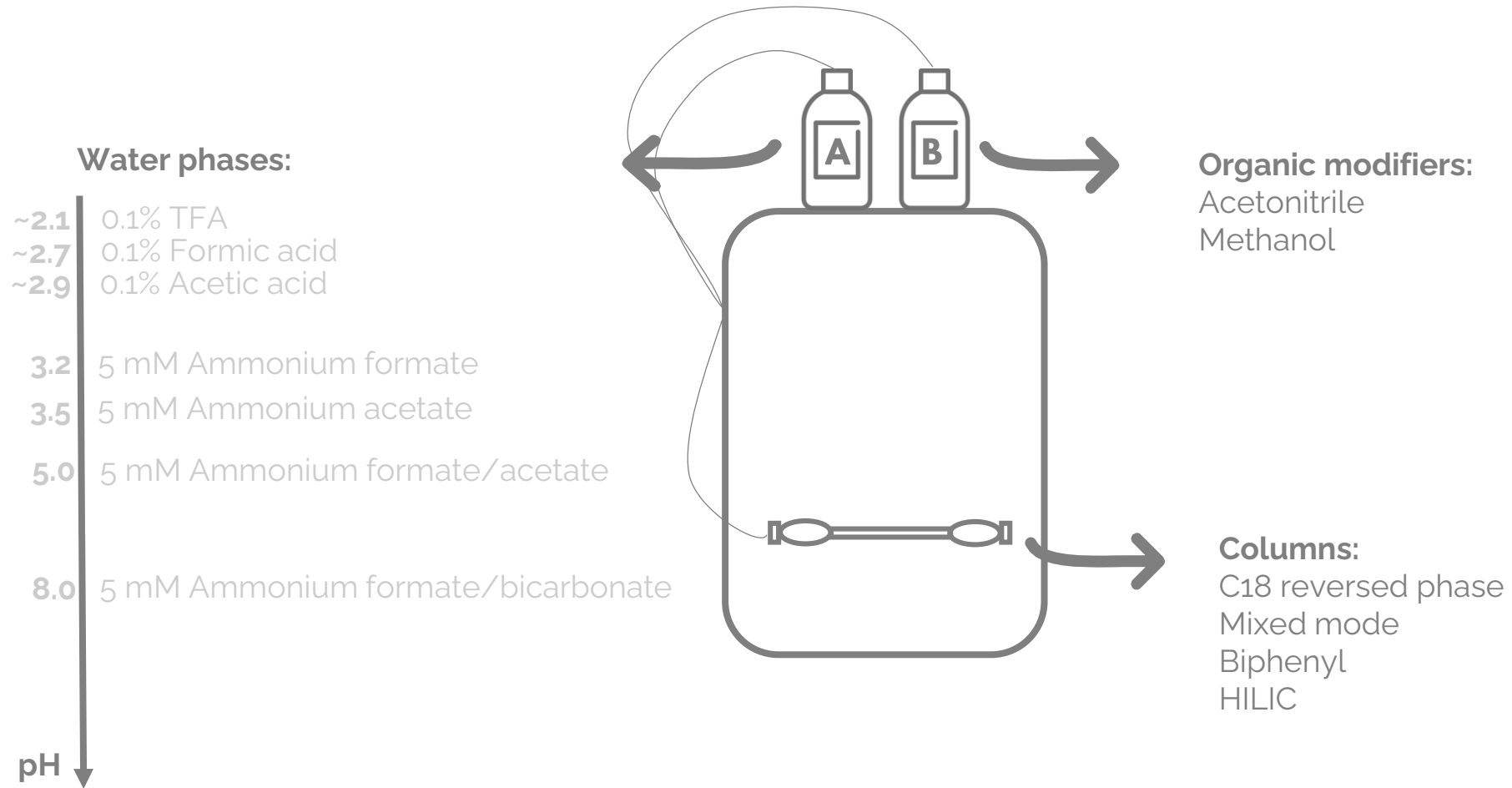
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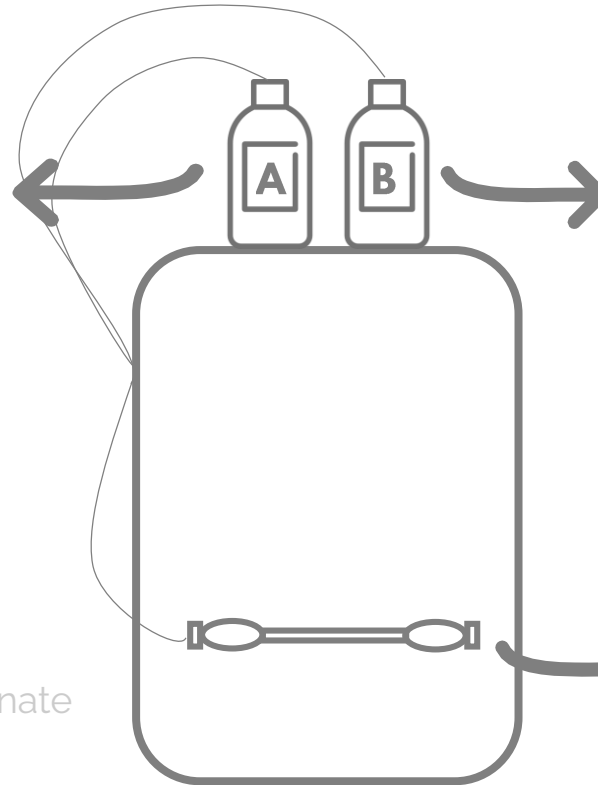


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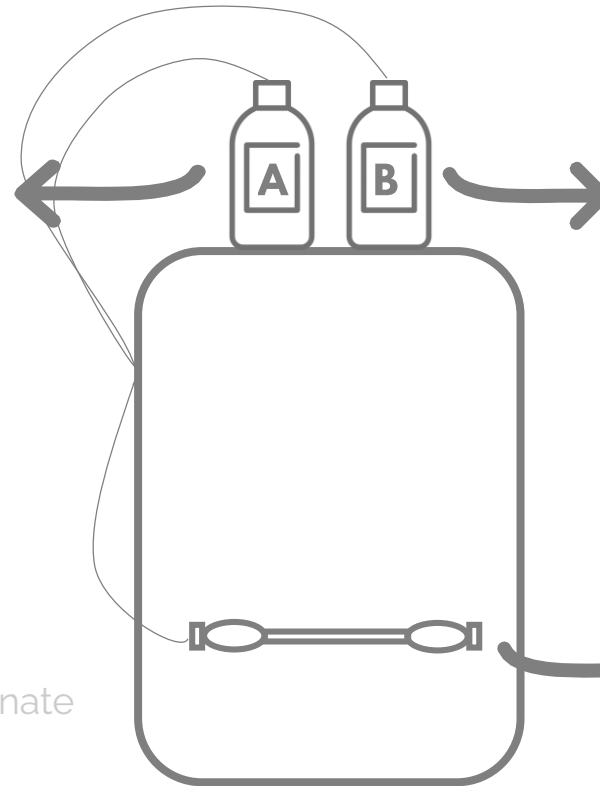
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Acquisition: ESI+

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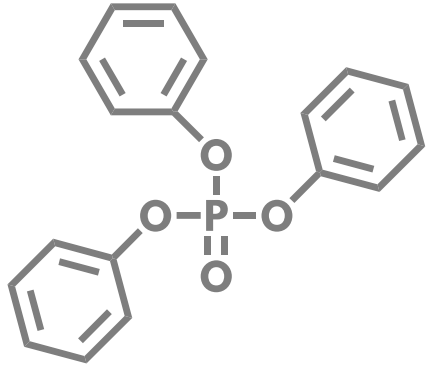
Classification of compounds



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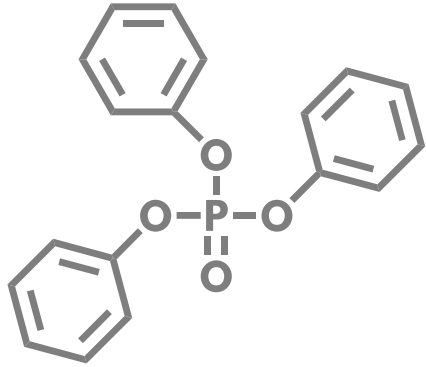


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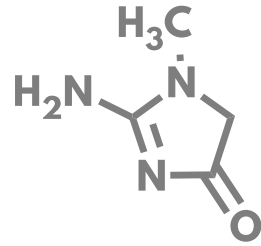
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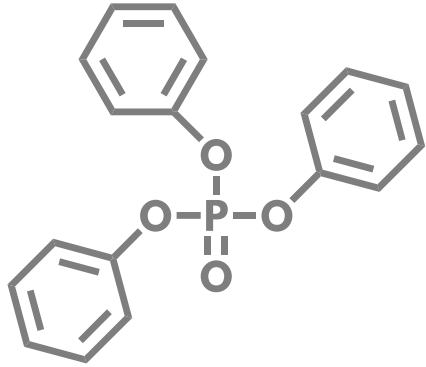


Creatinine

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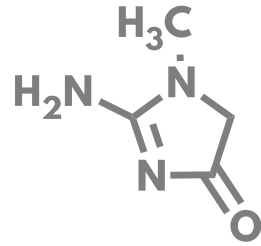
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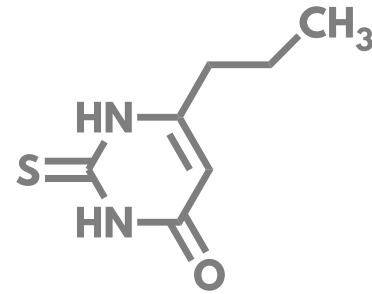
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Acids and bases



Creatinine

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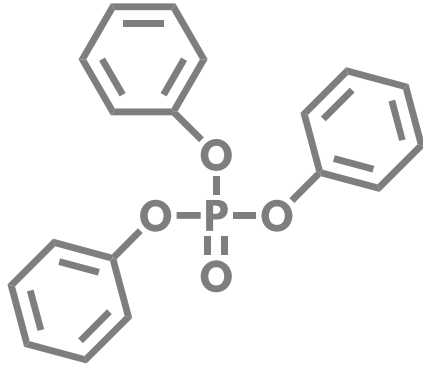


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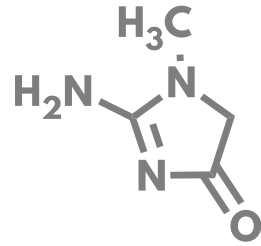
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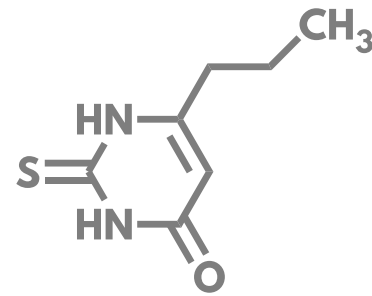
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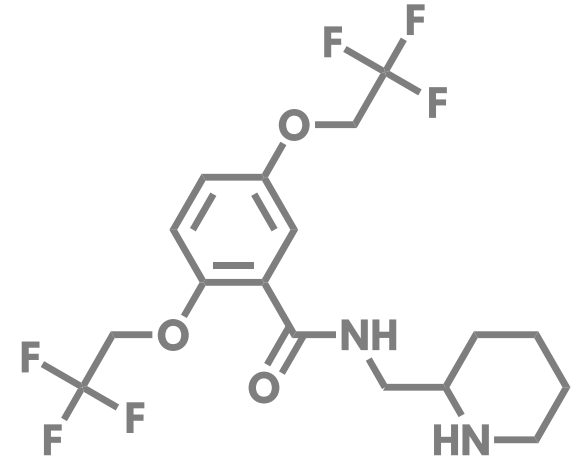
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Flecainide

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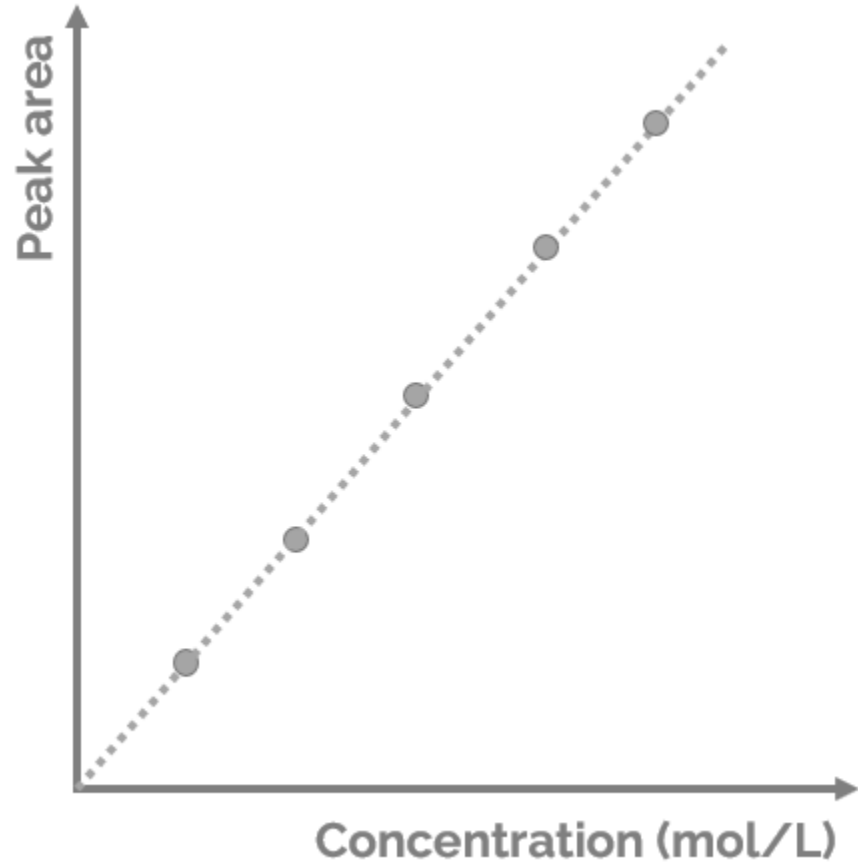
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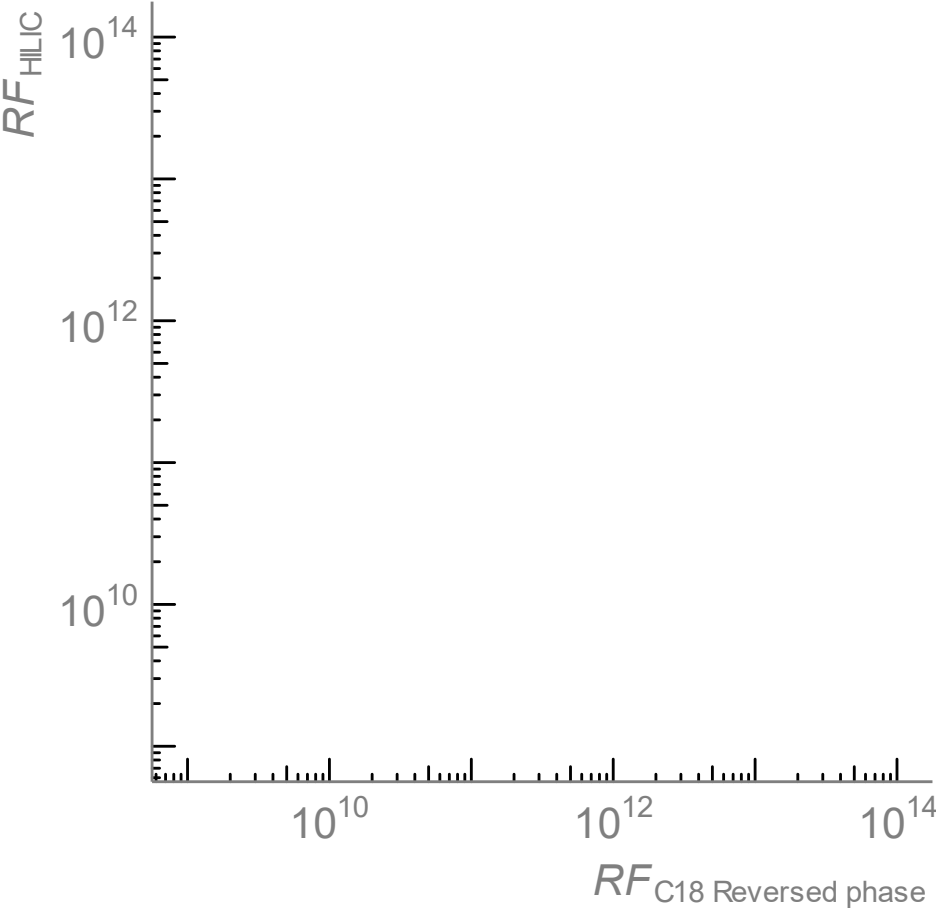
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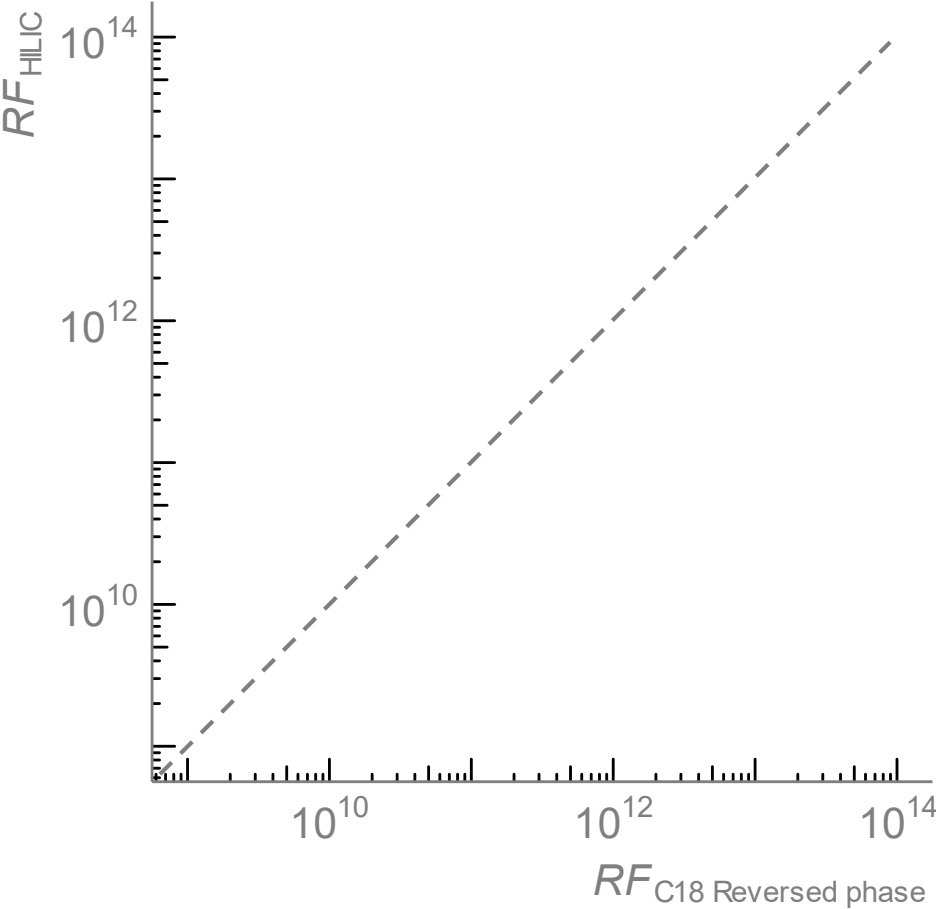
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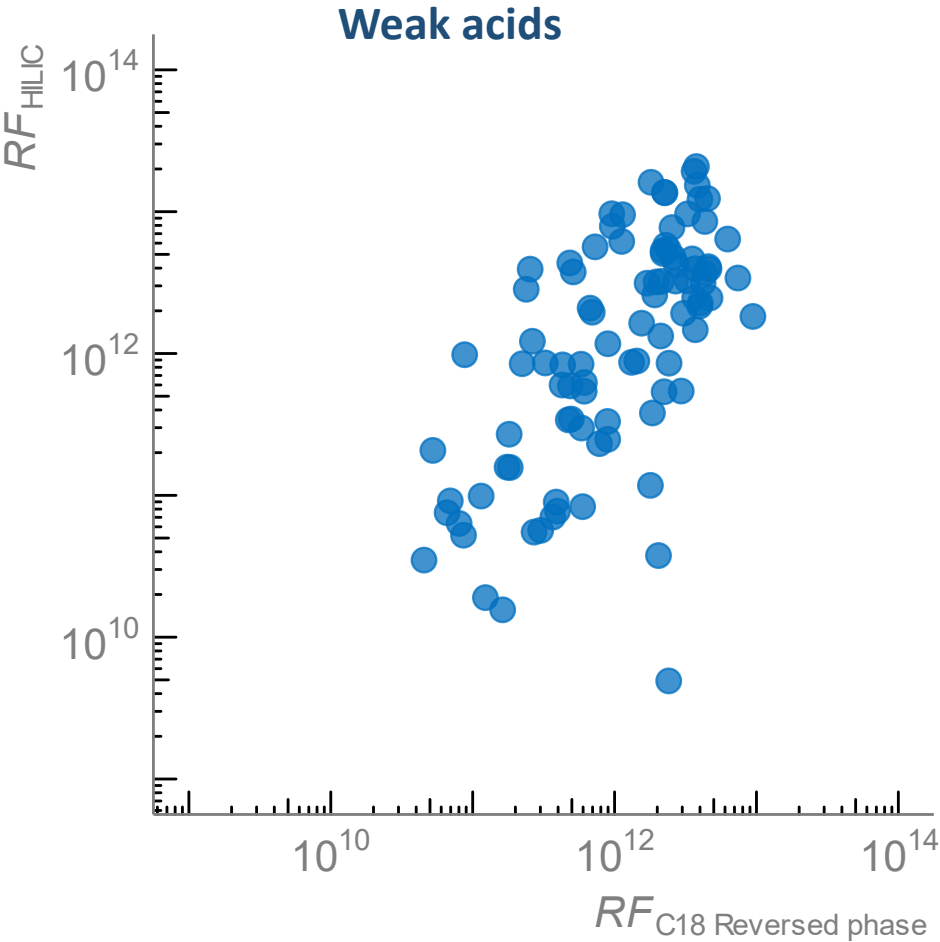
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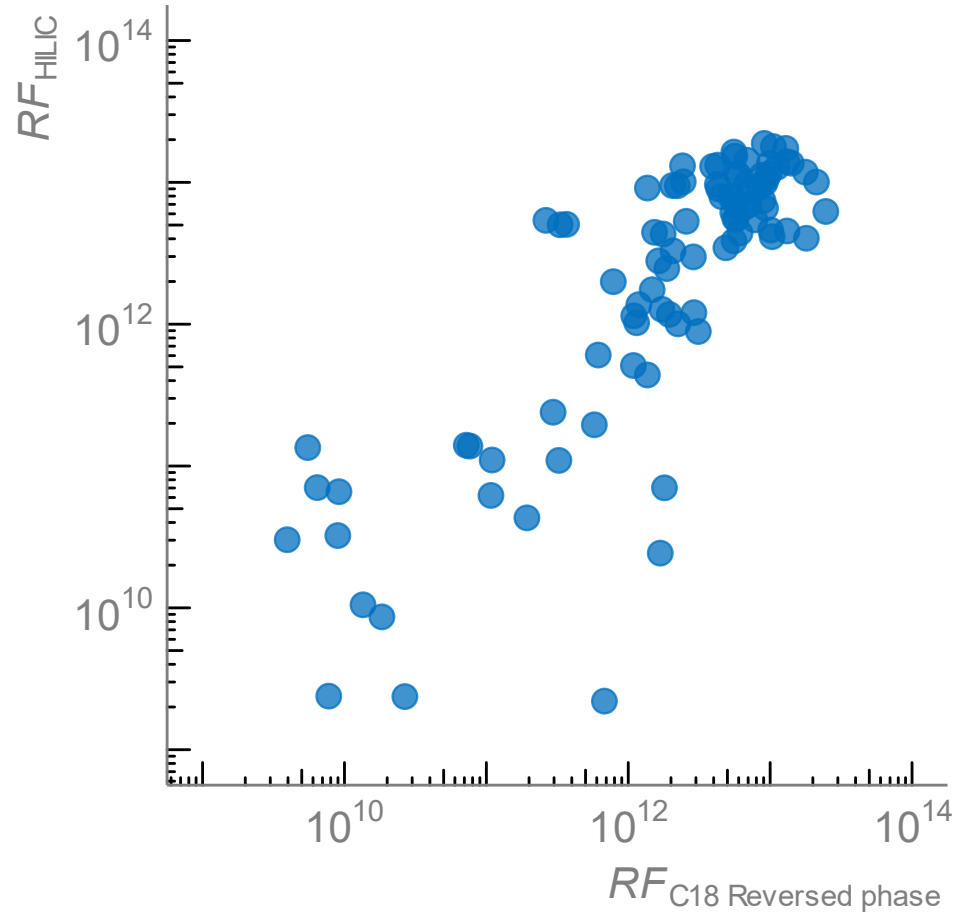
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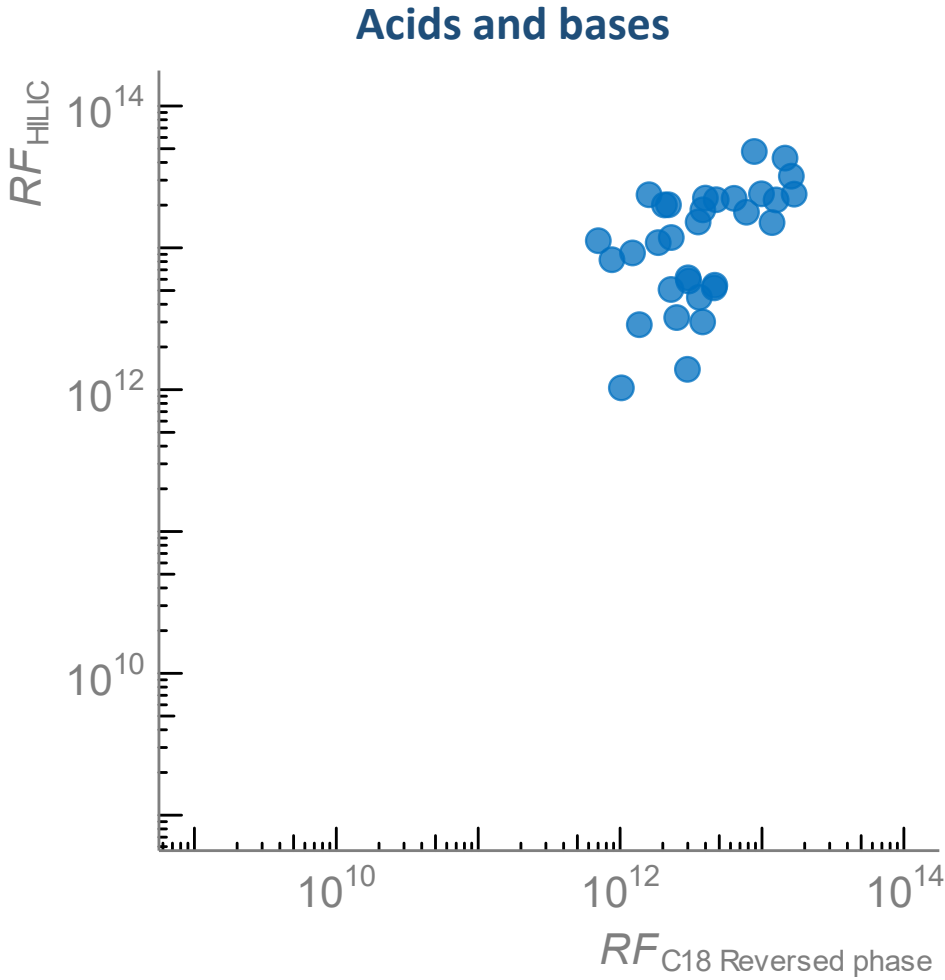
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Neutral compounds



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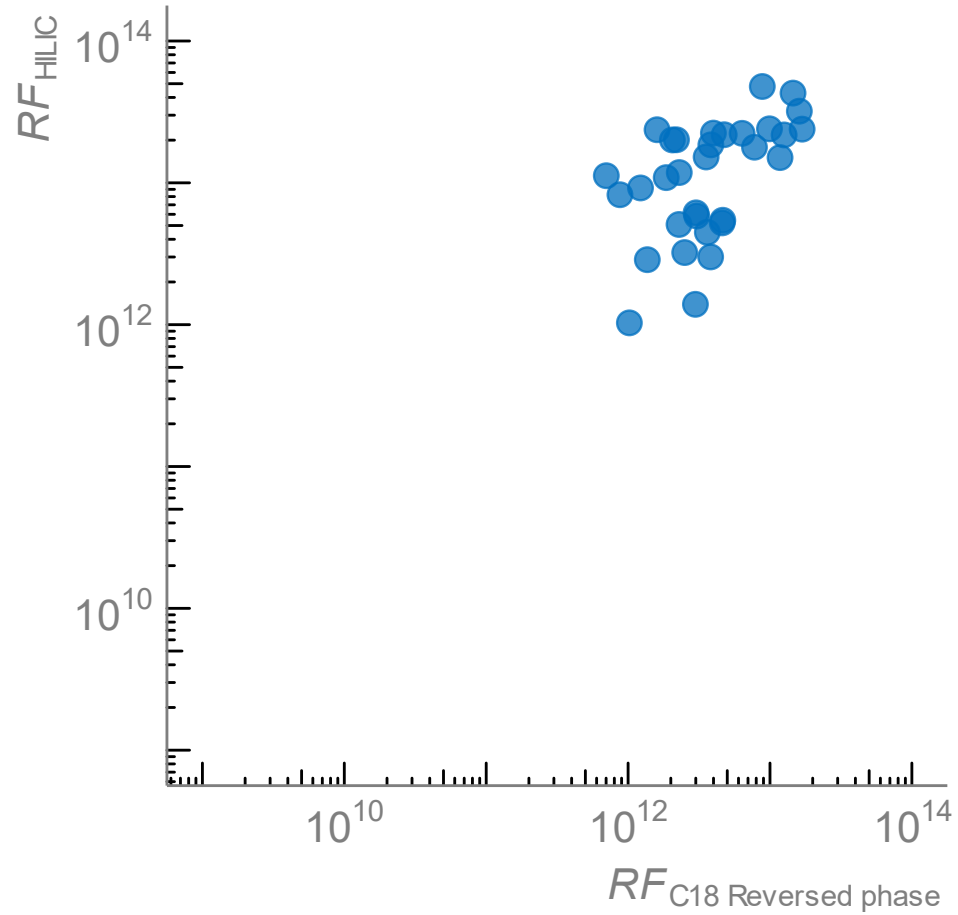
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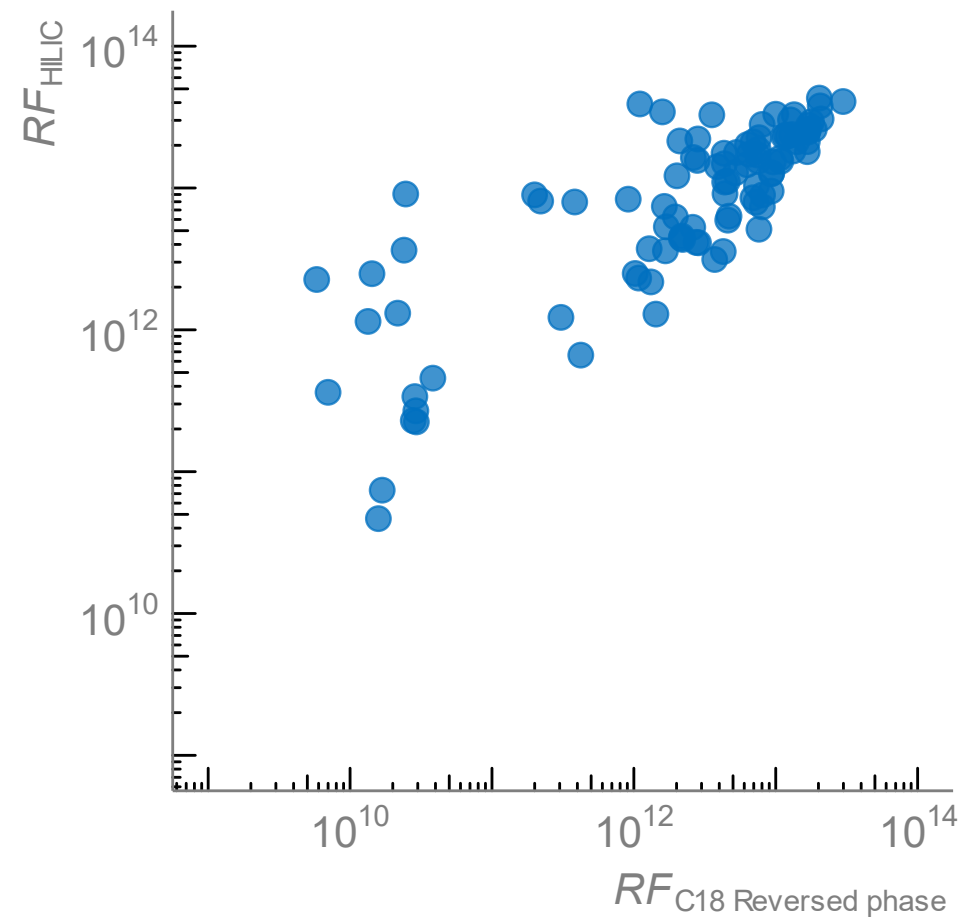


Compounds with acidic and basic groups are highly ionizable

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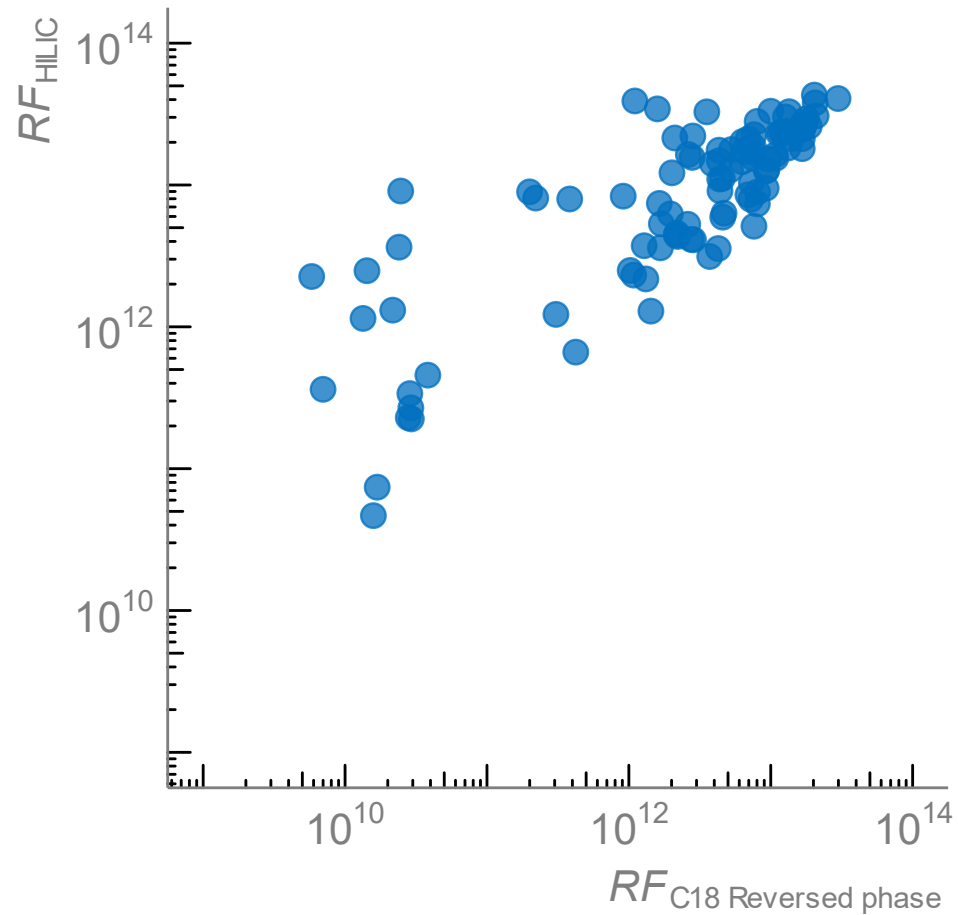
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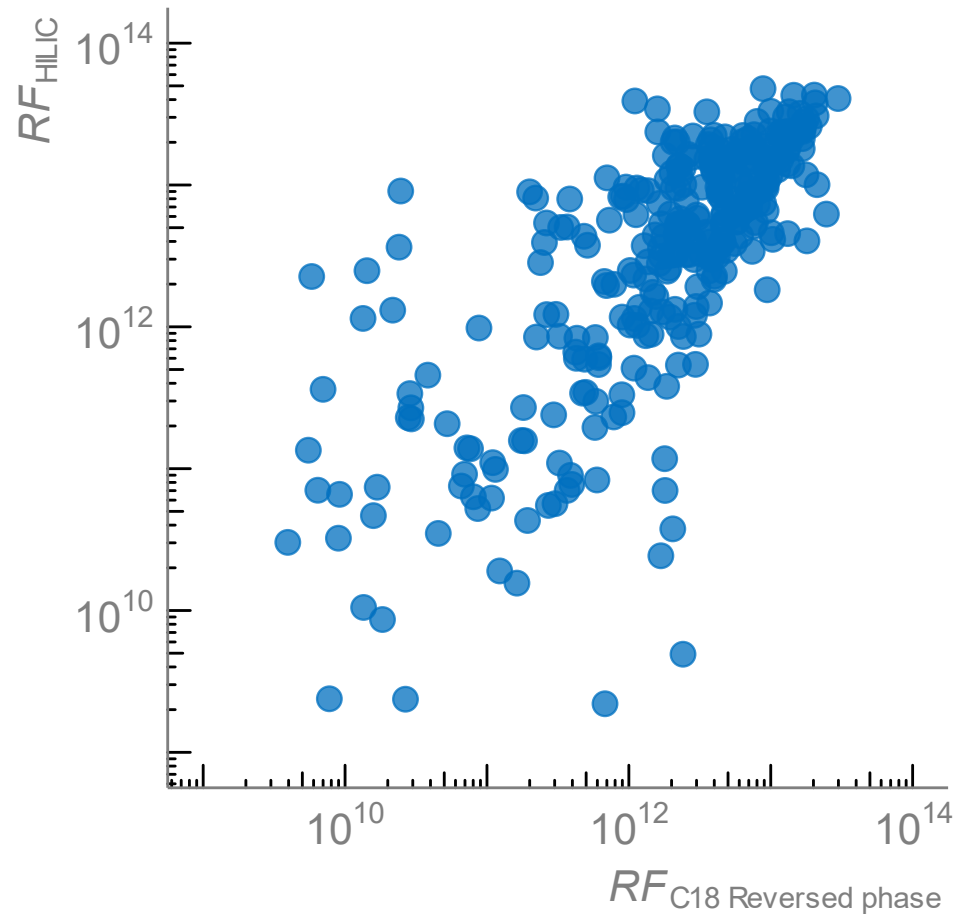


Higher RF-s in HILIC for some weak bases

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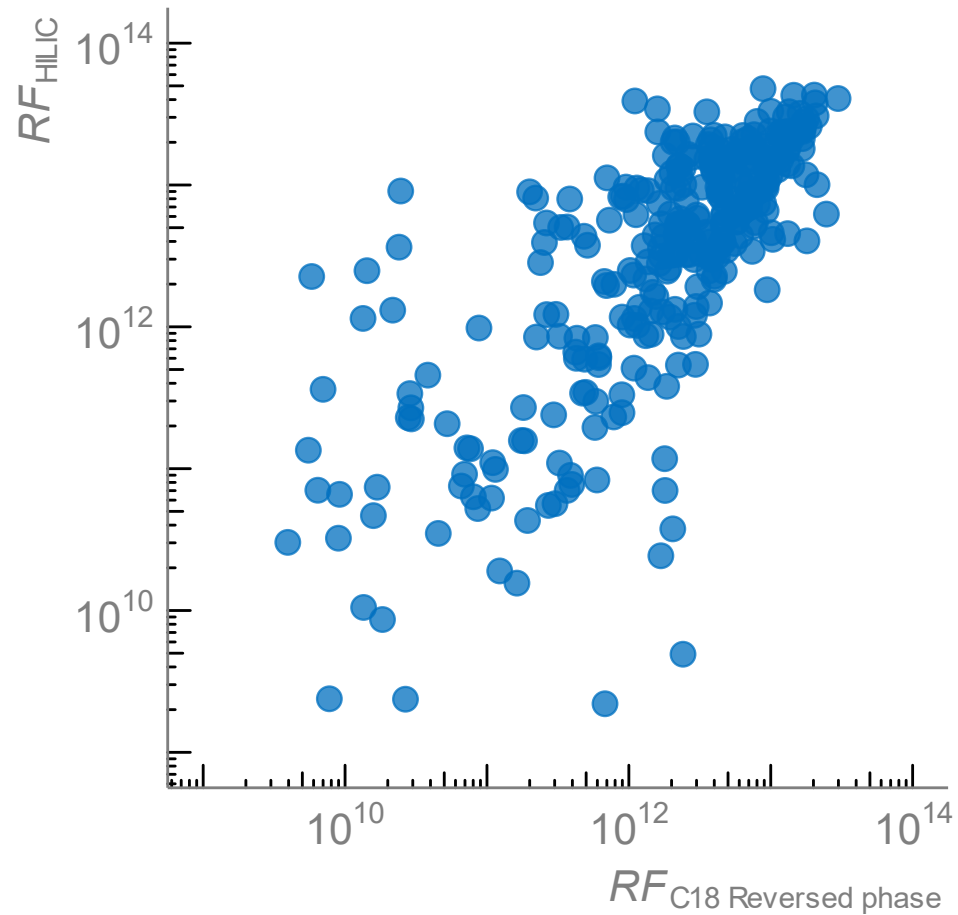
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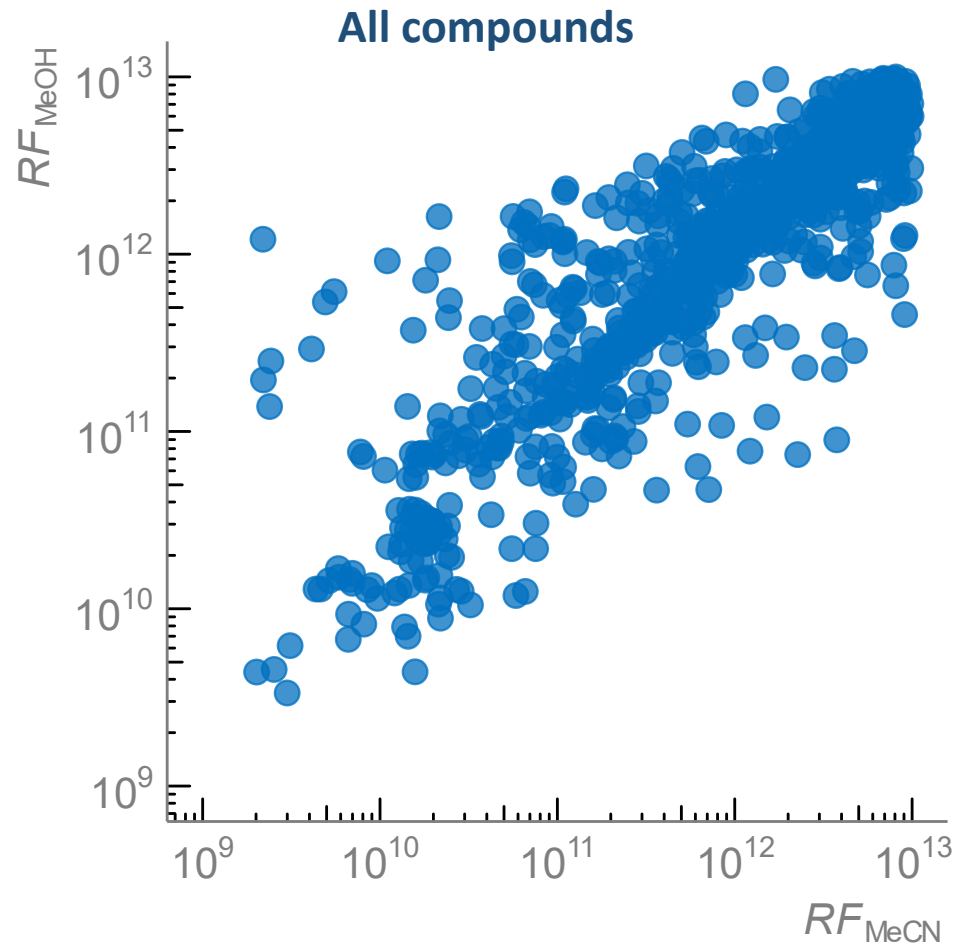
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Effect of column is not statistically significant in this case

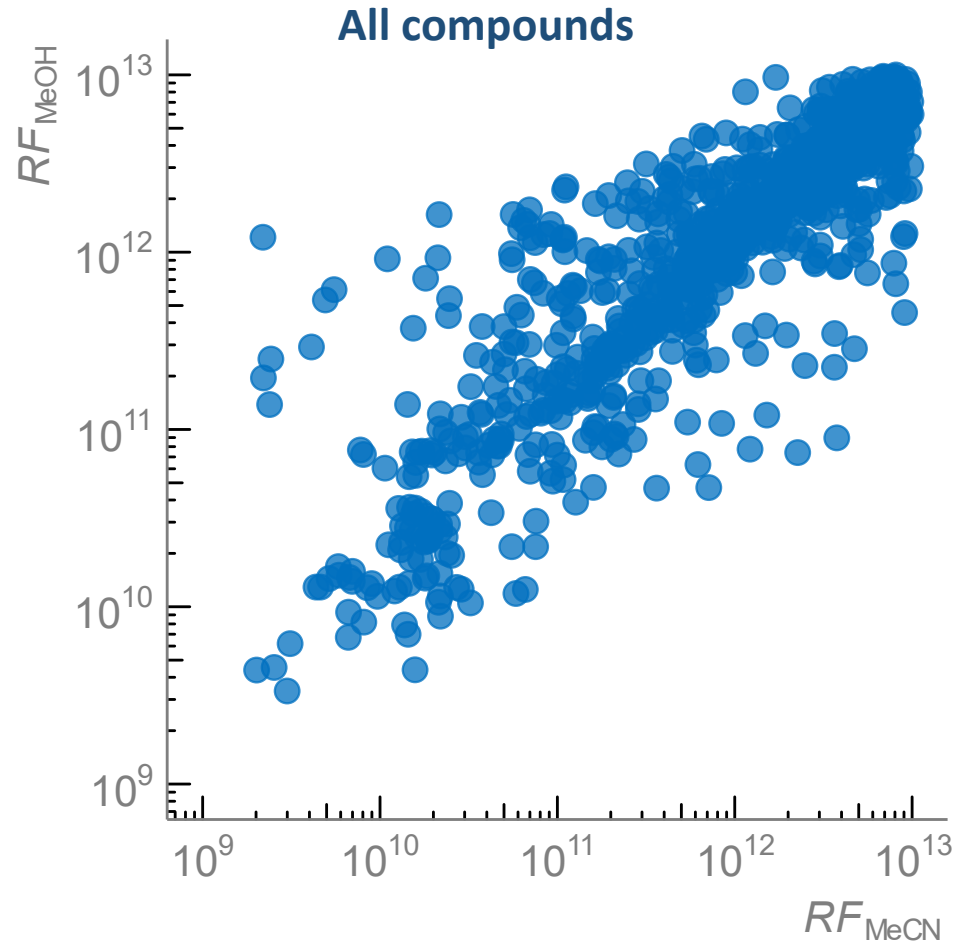
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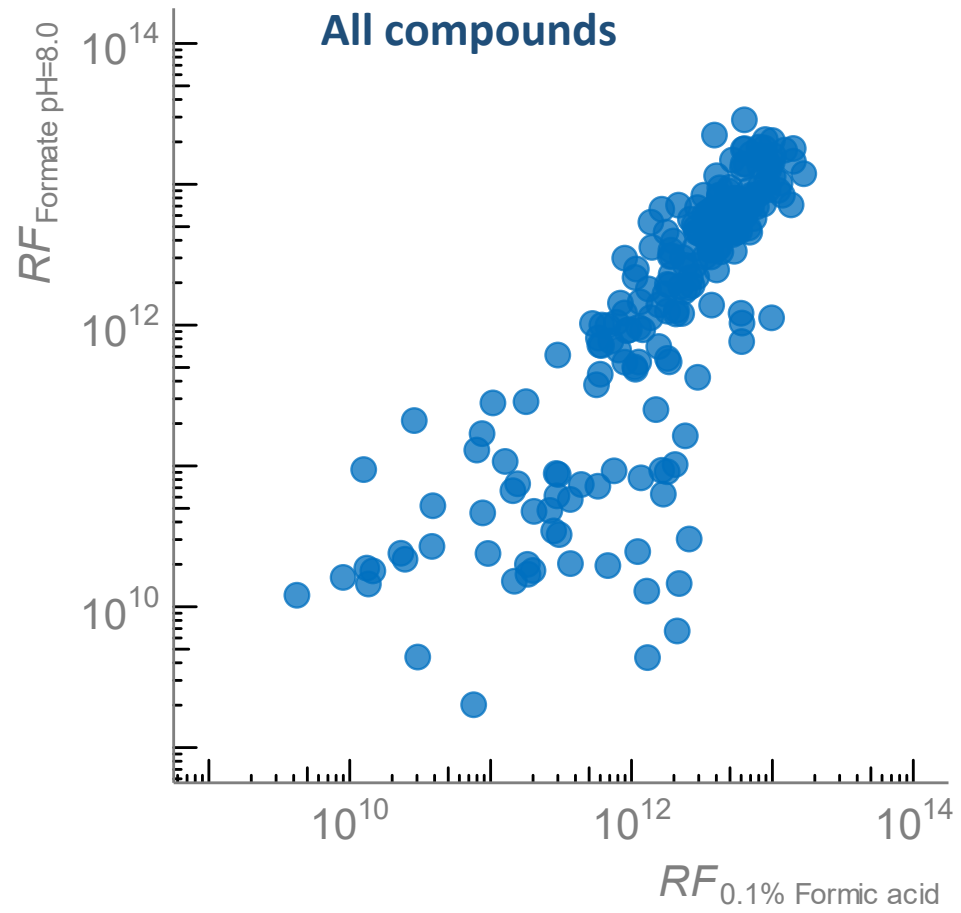
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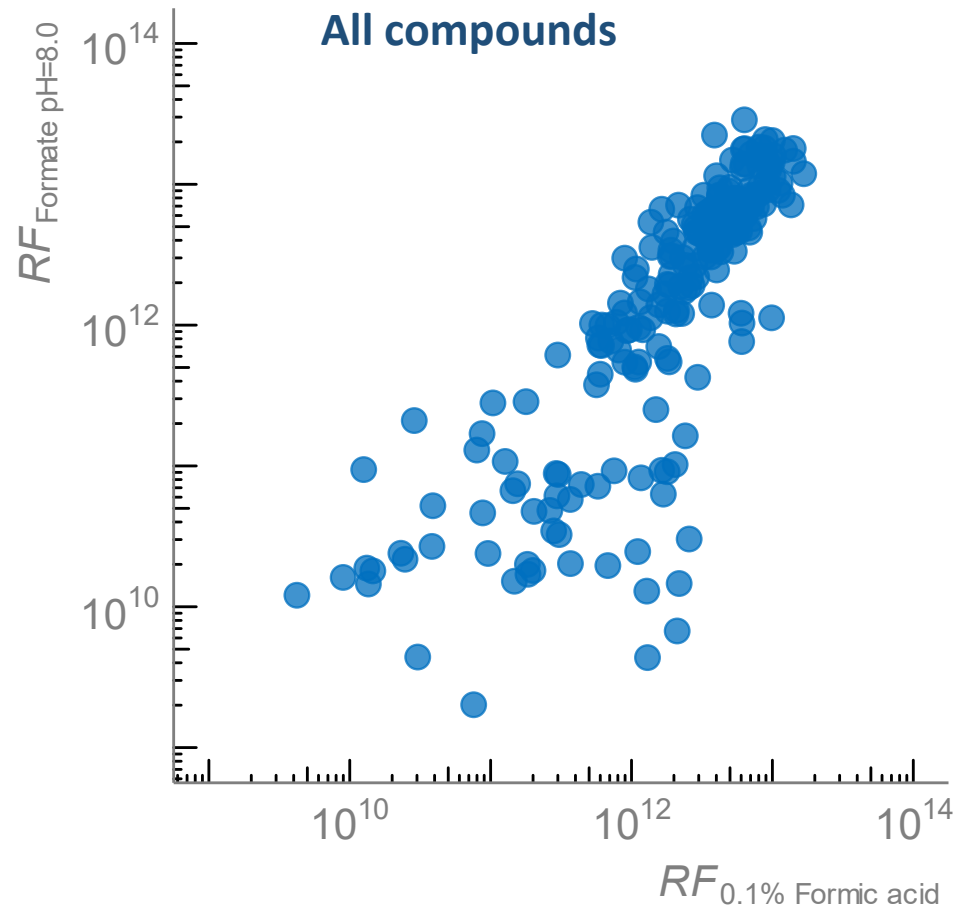
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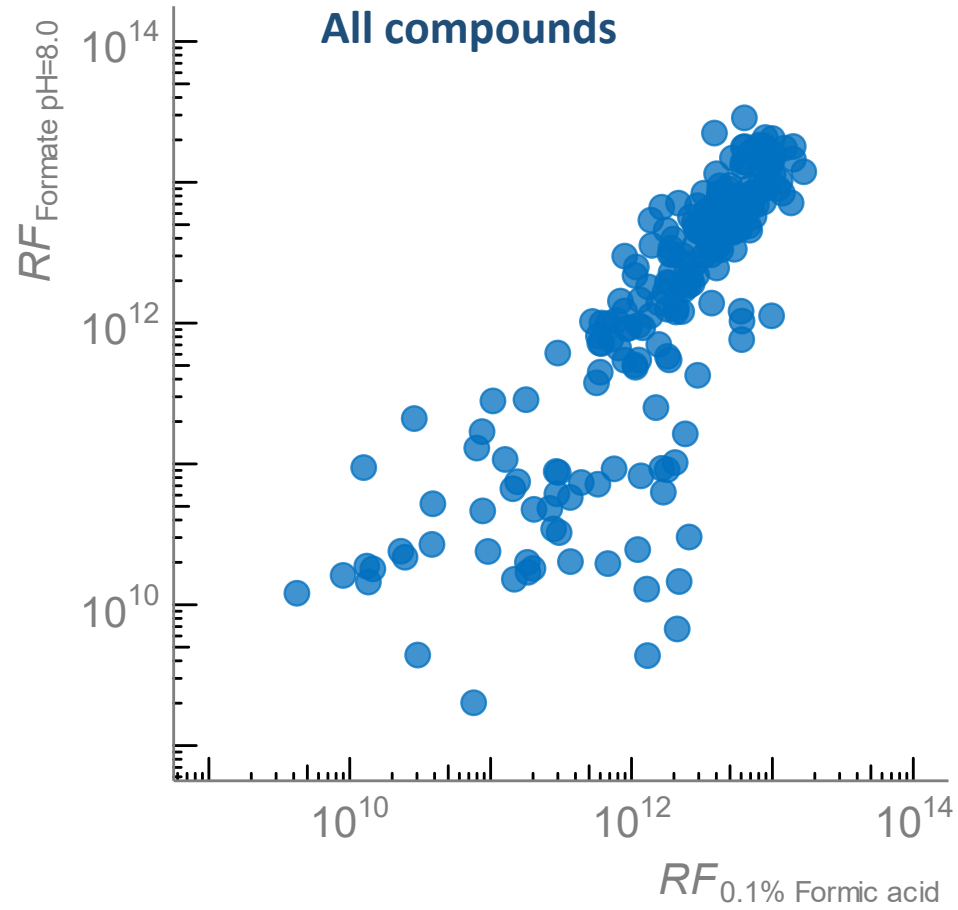
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pH has significant effect on low ionizable compounds :

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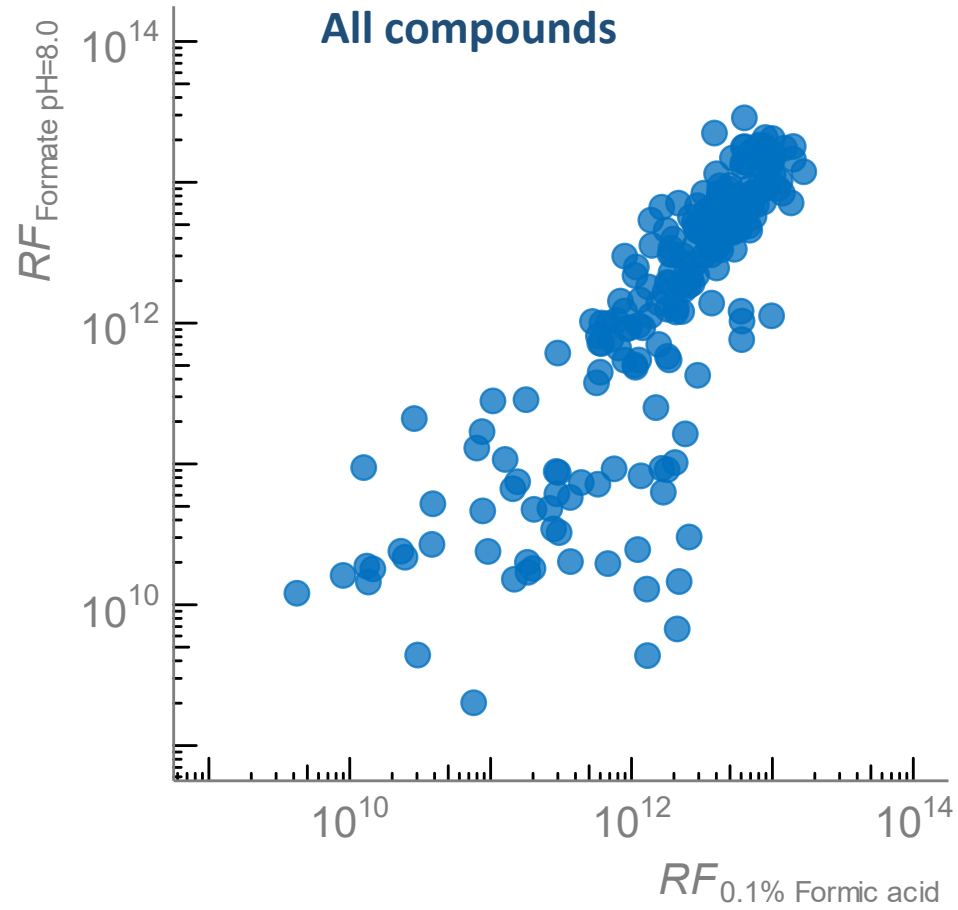


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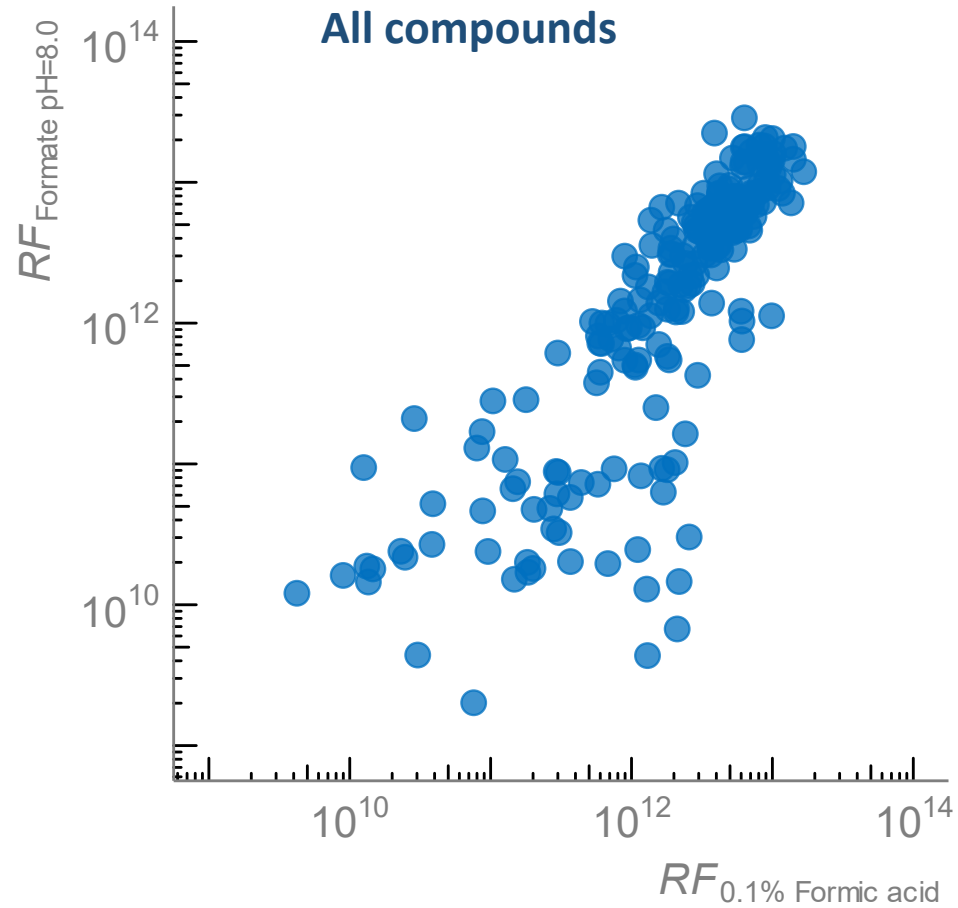
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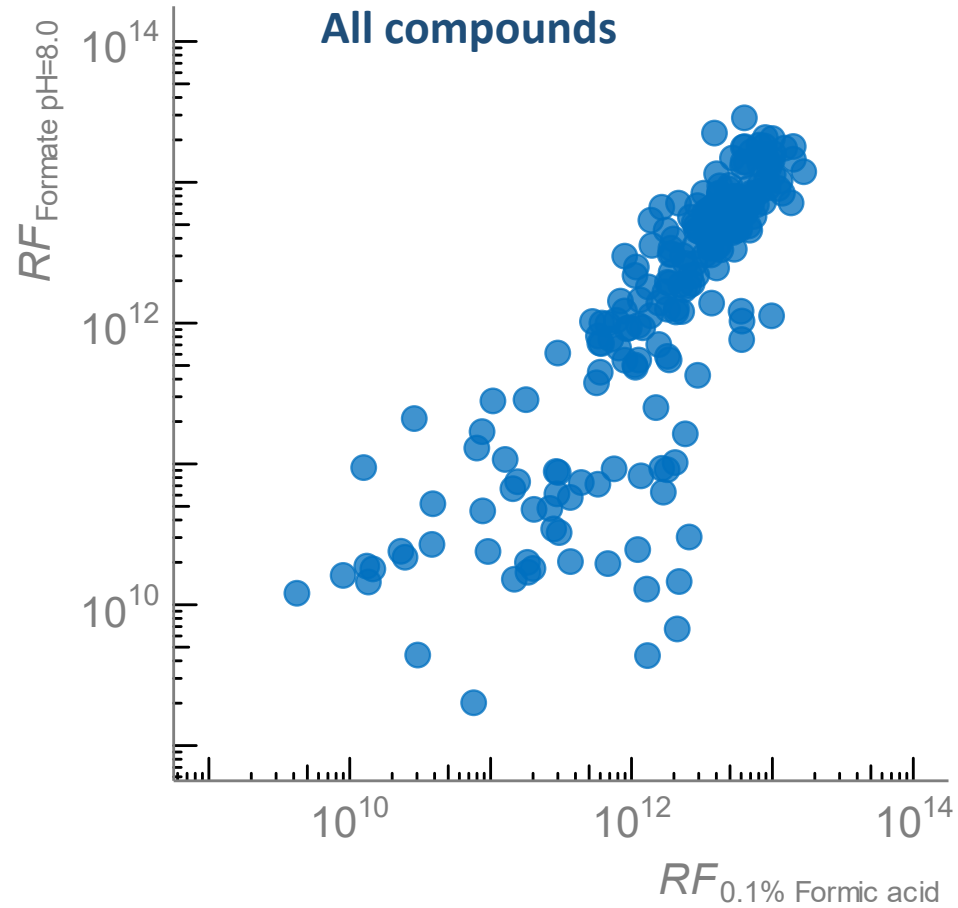
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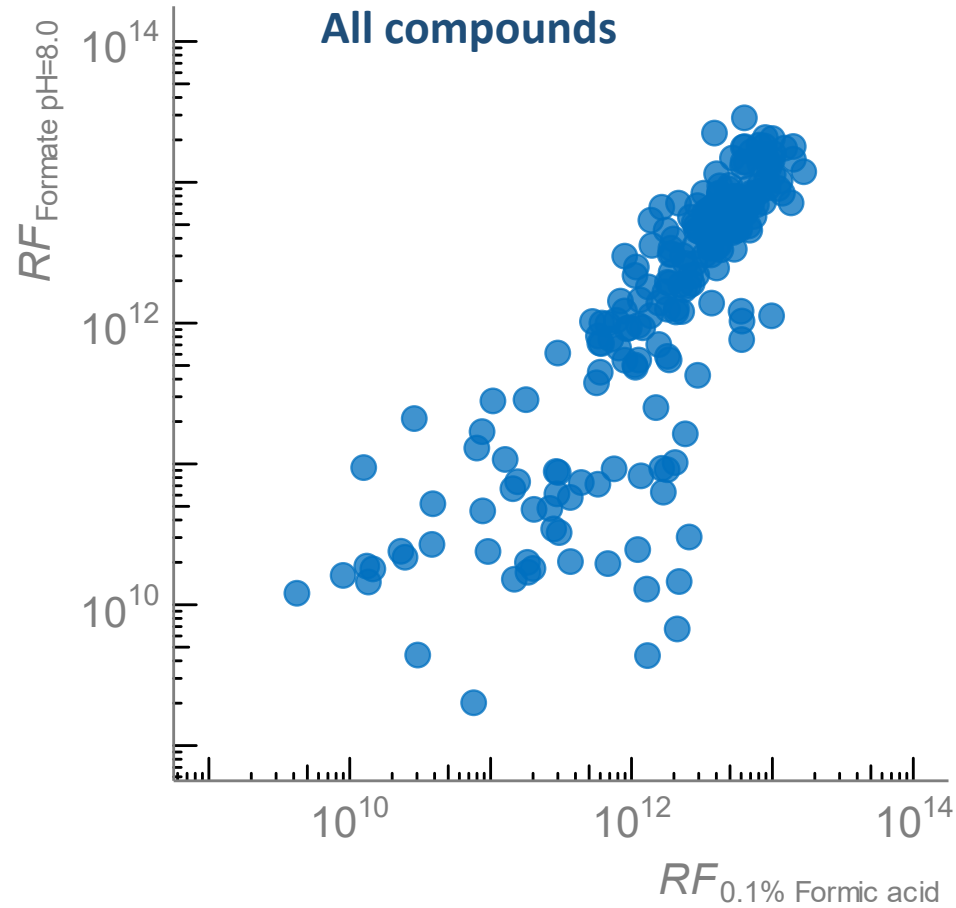
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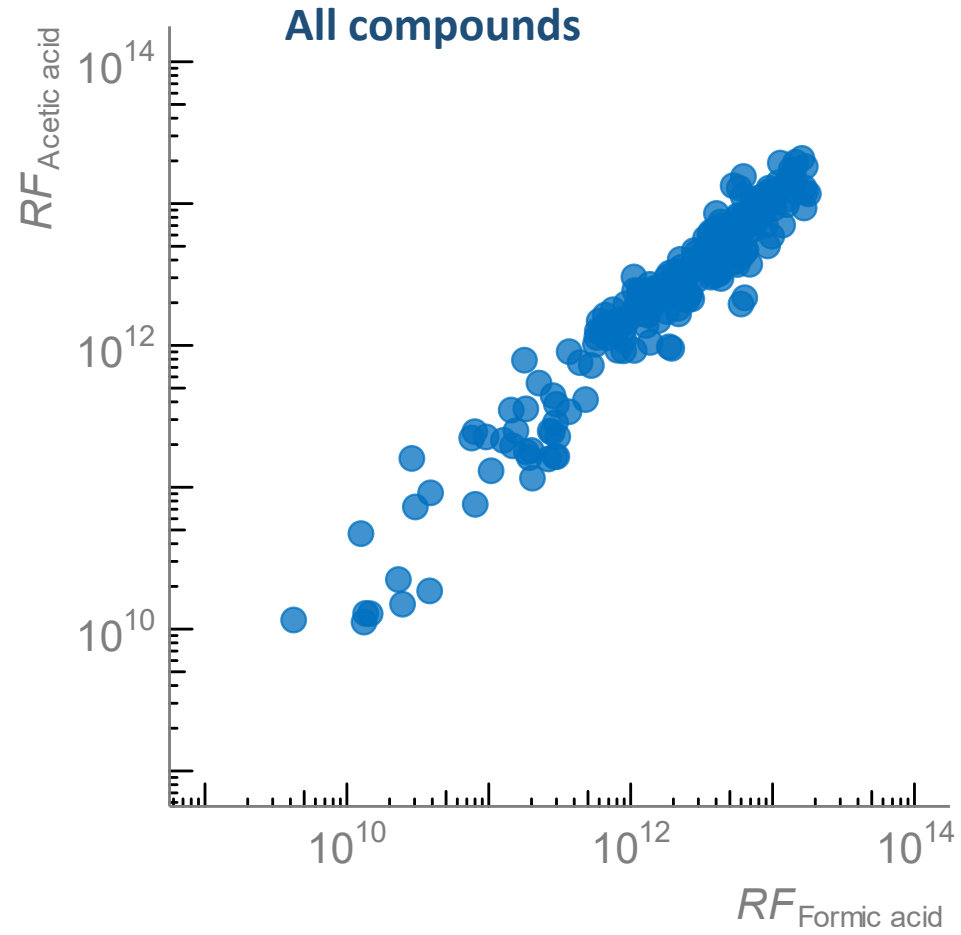
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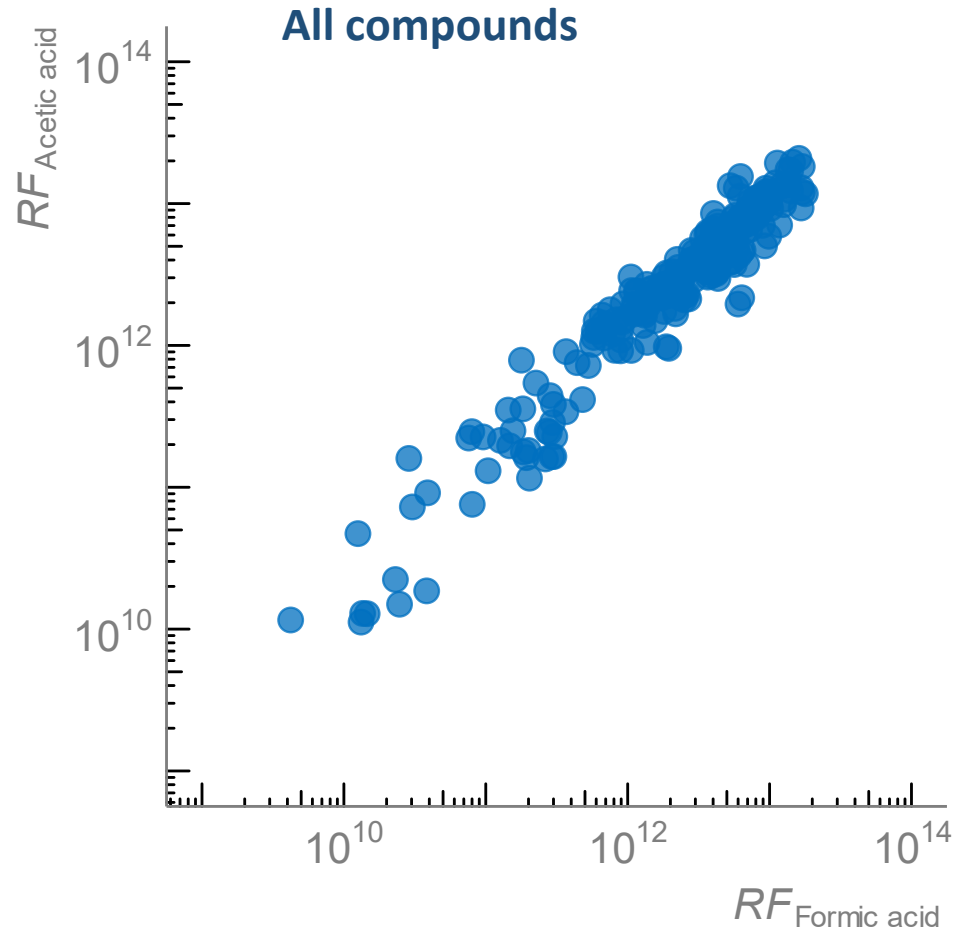
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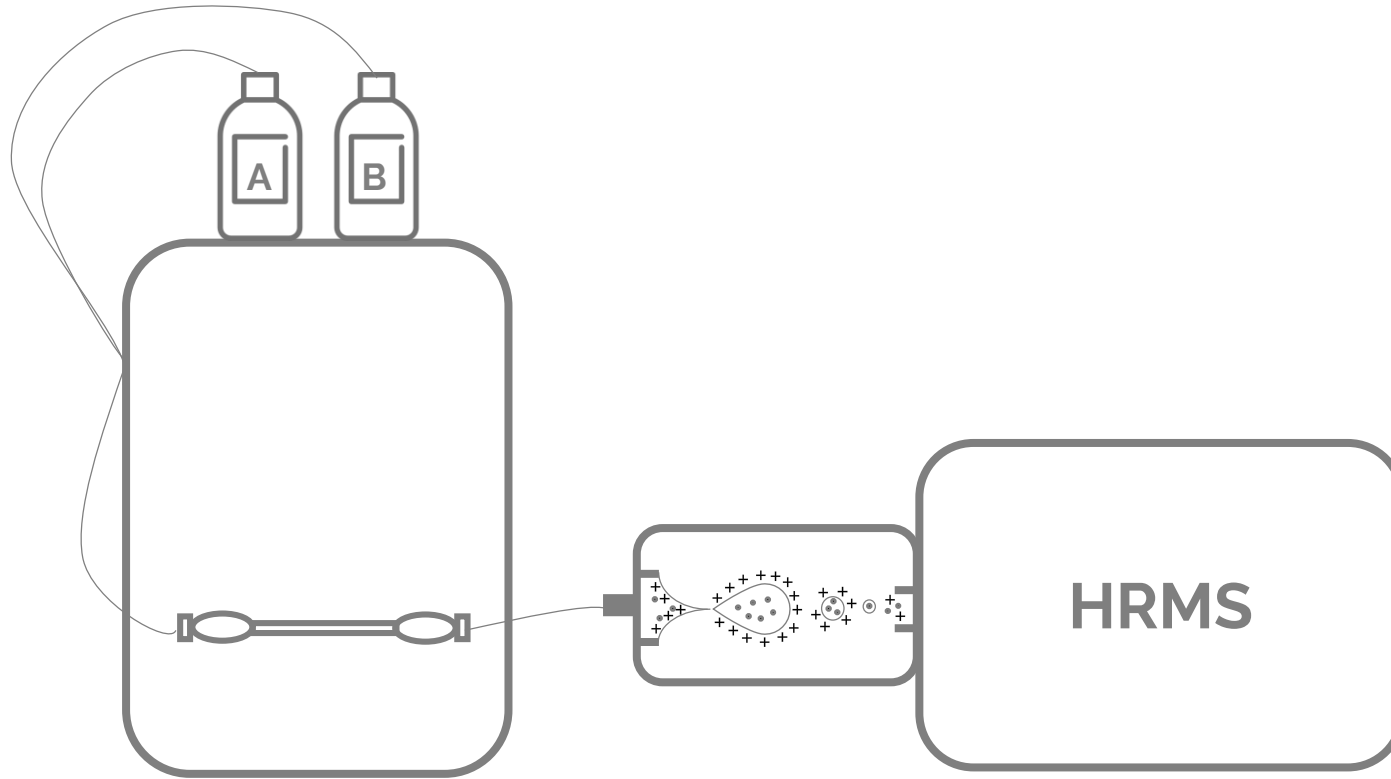
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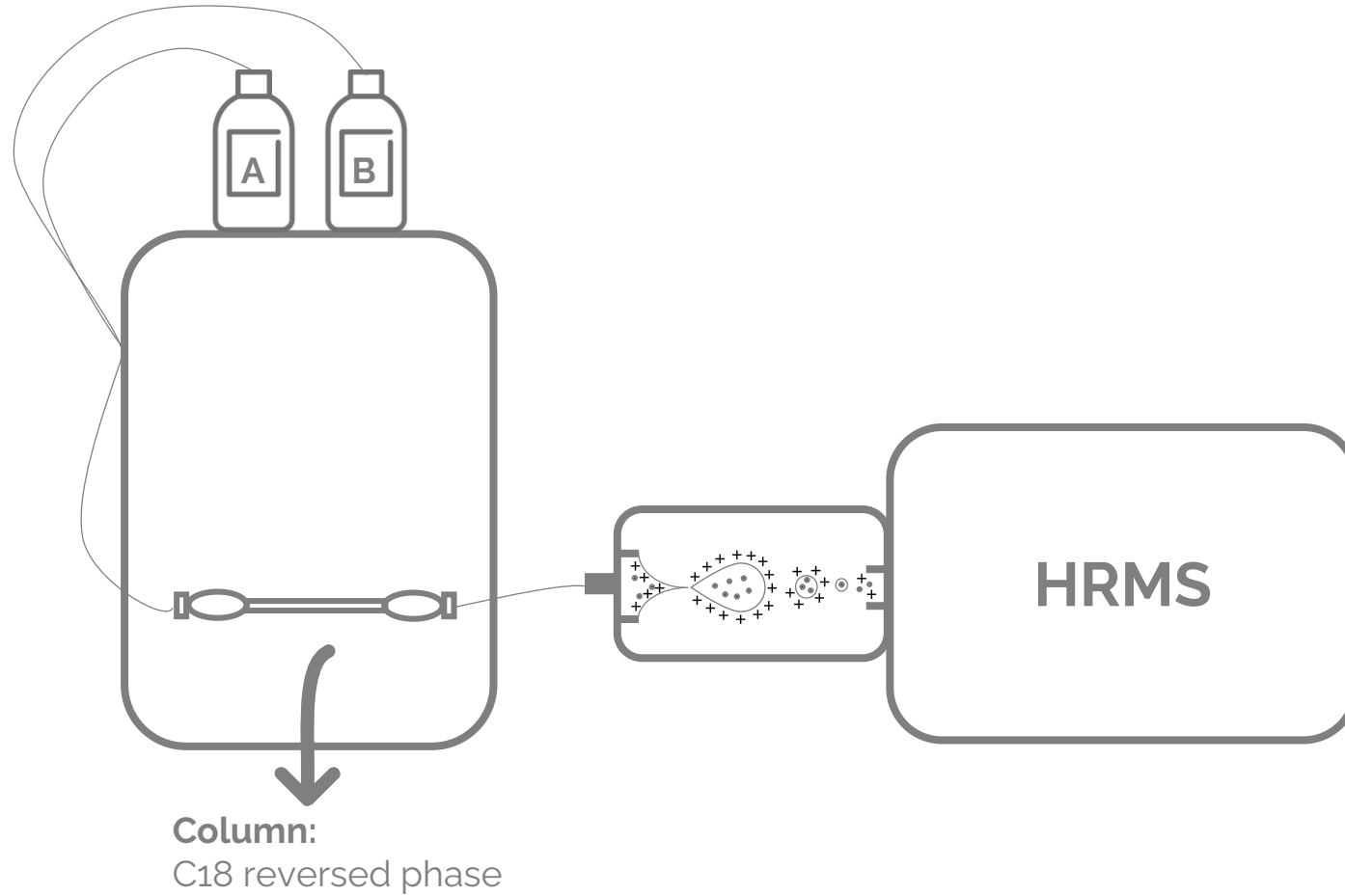
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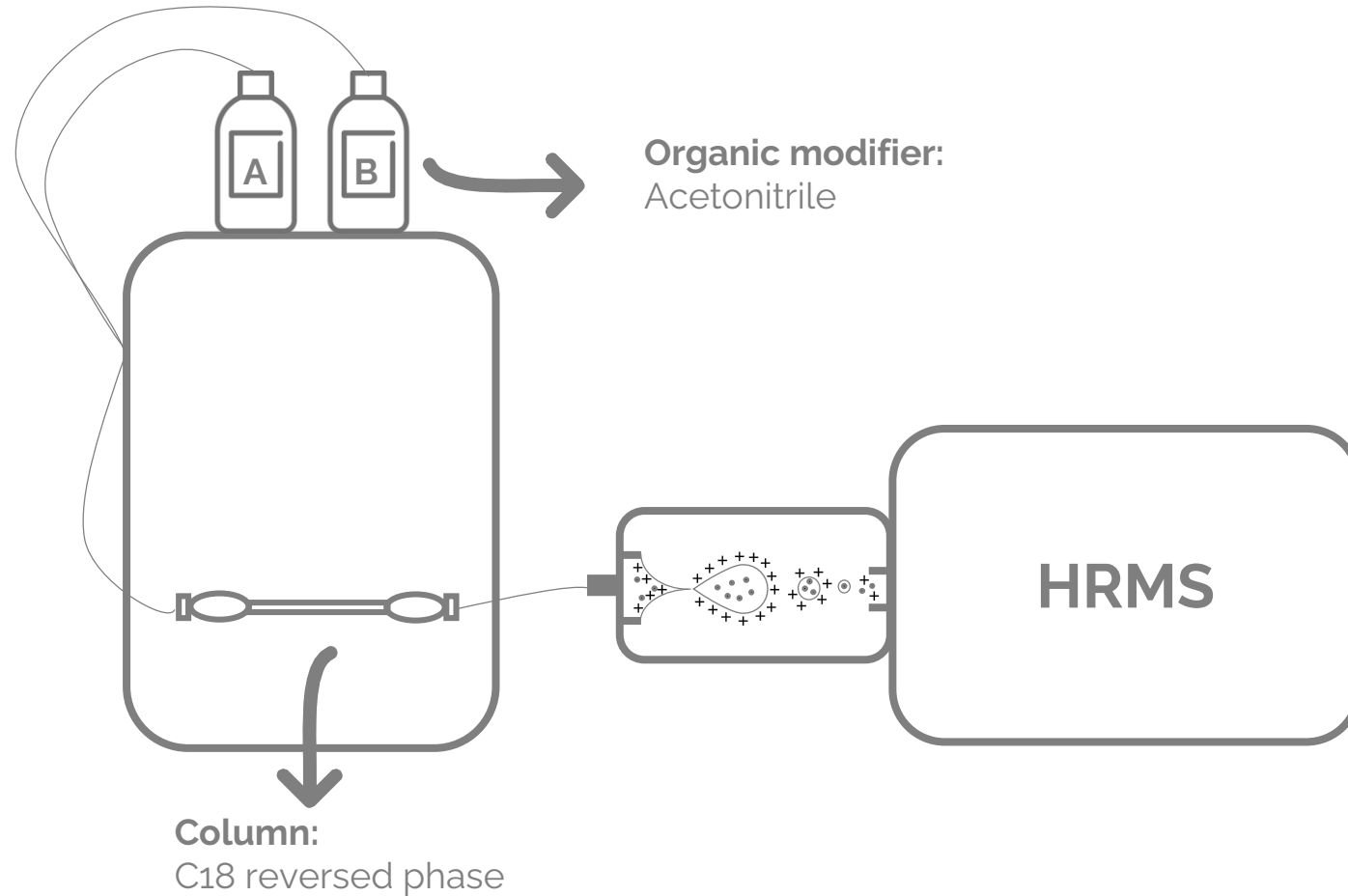
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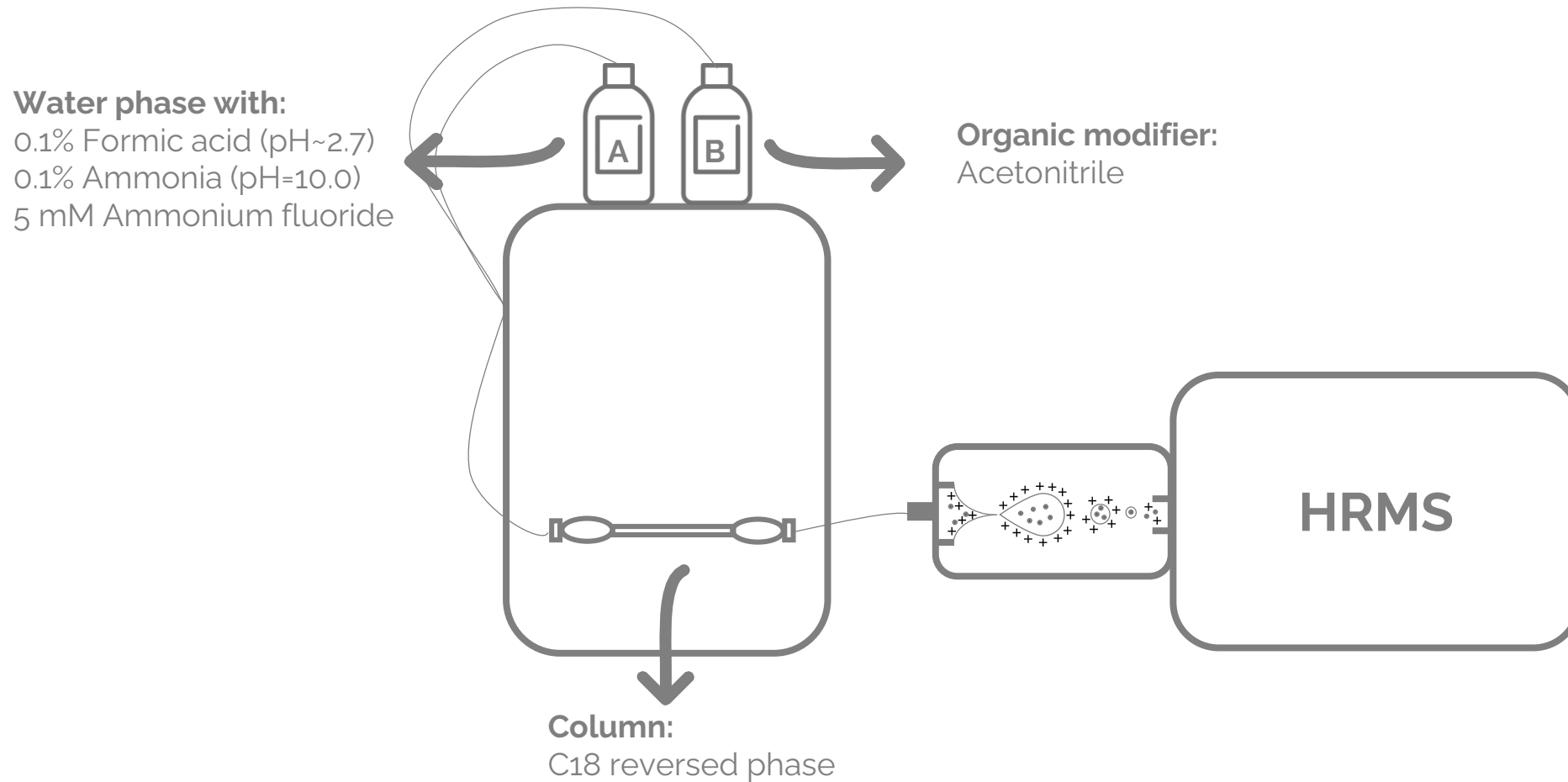
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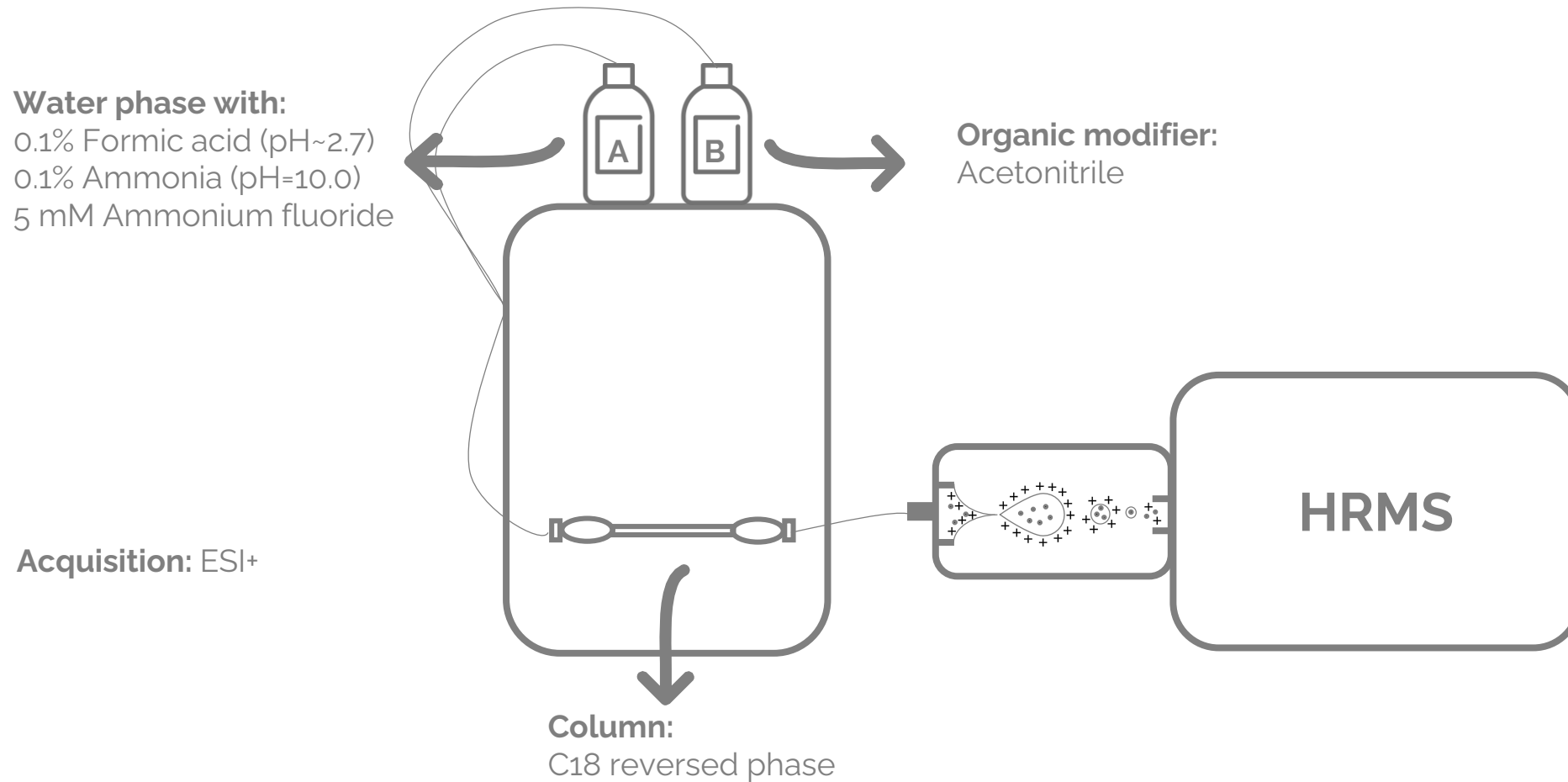
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Wastewater samples from Henriksdal wastewater treatment plant

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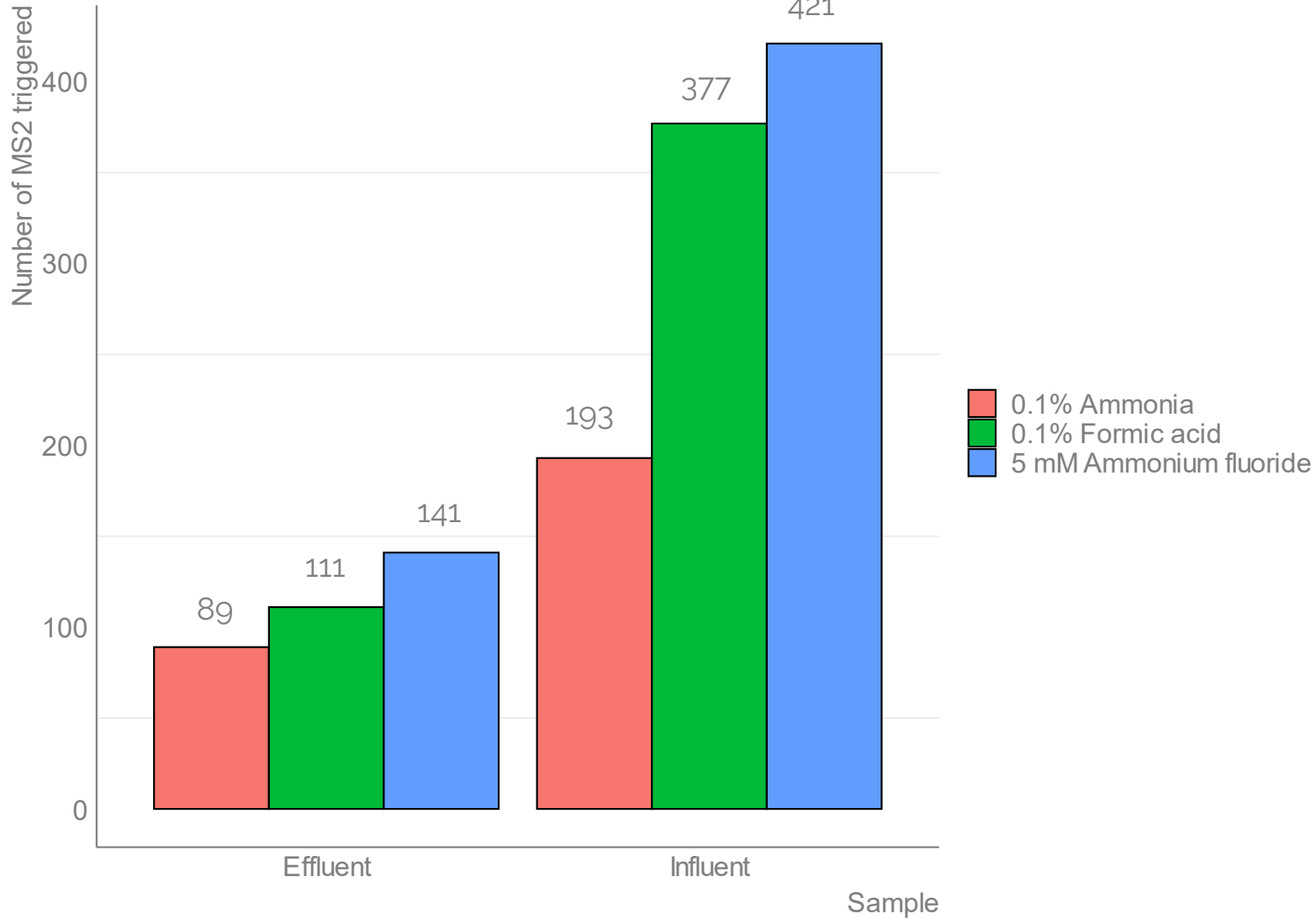


Spiked Effluent

Mix of 79 compounds

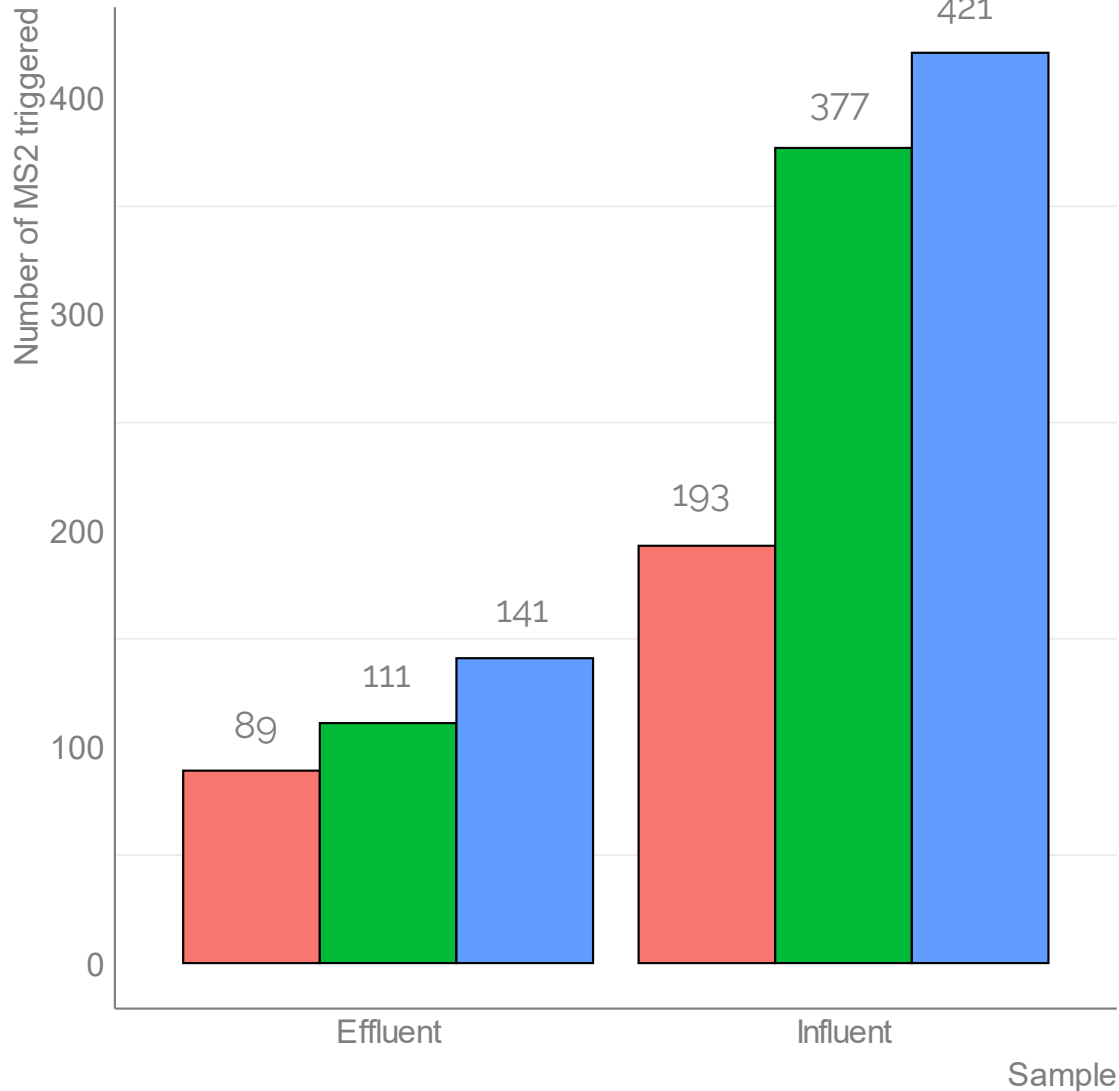
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Number of triggered MS²



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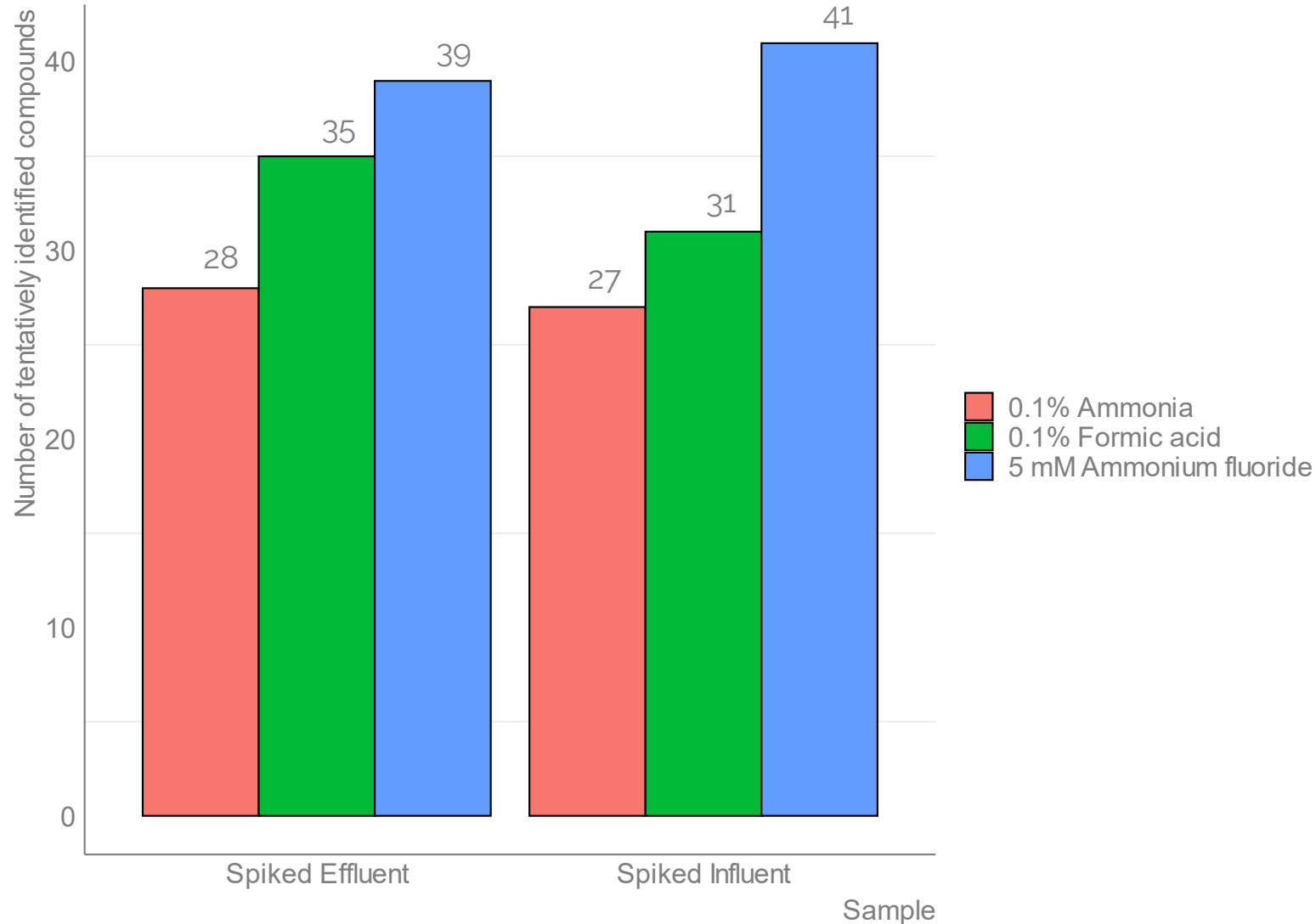
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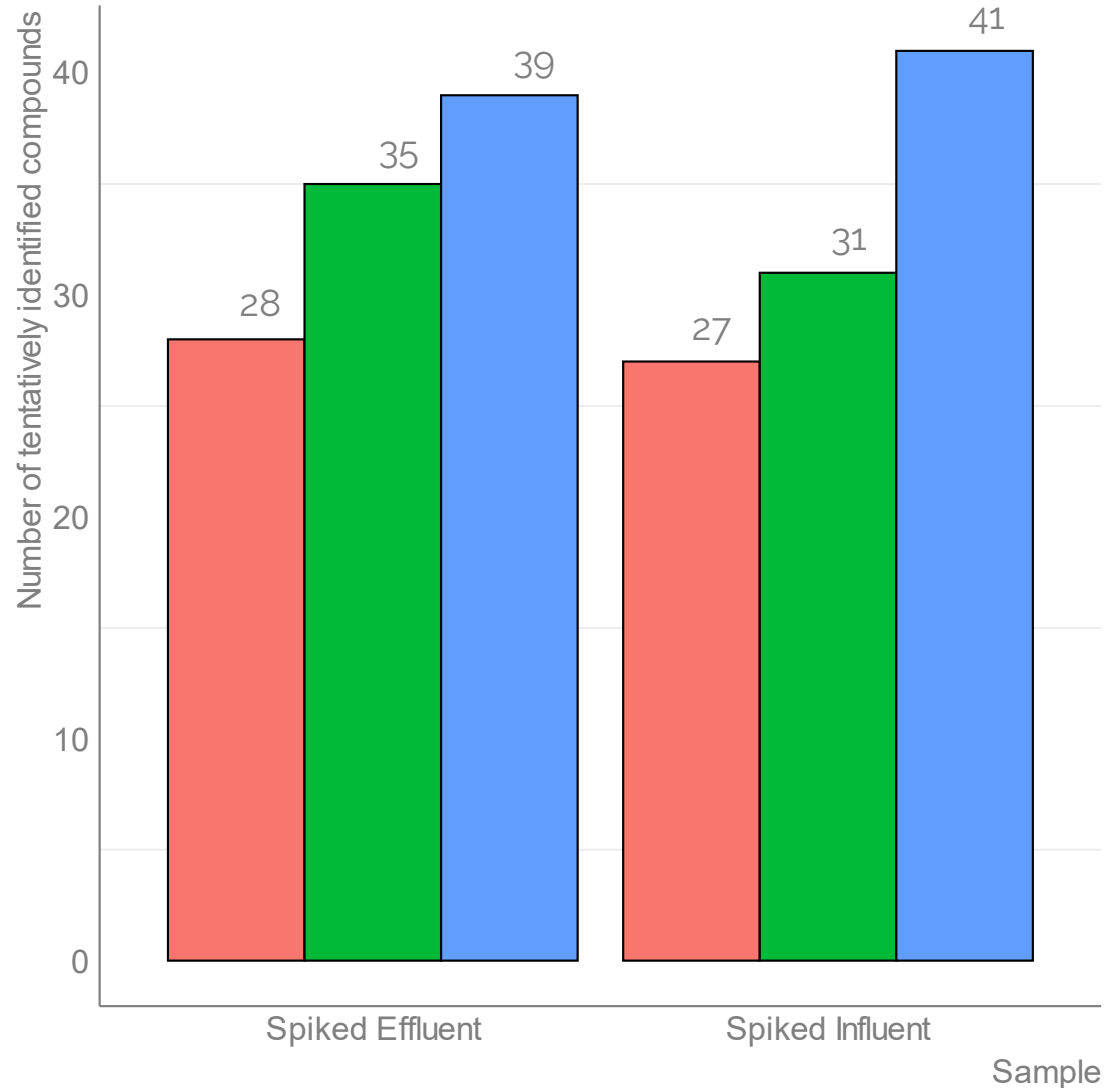
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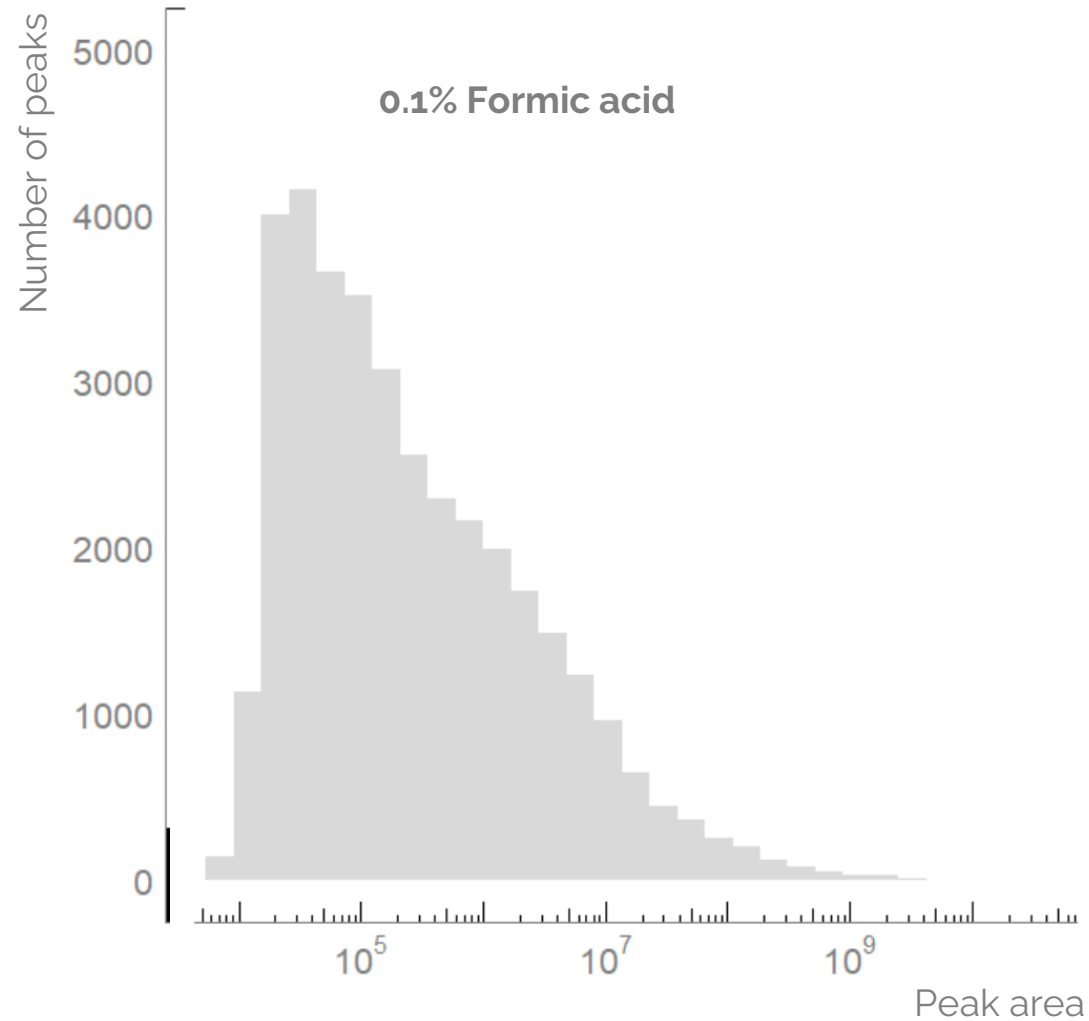


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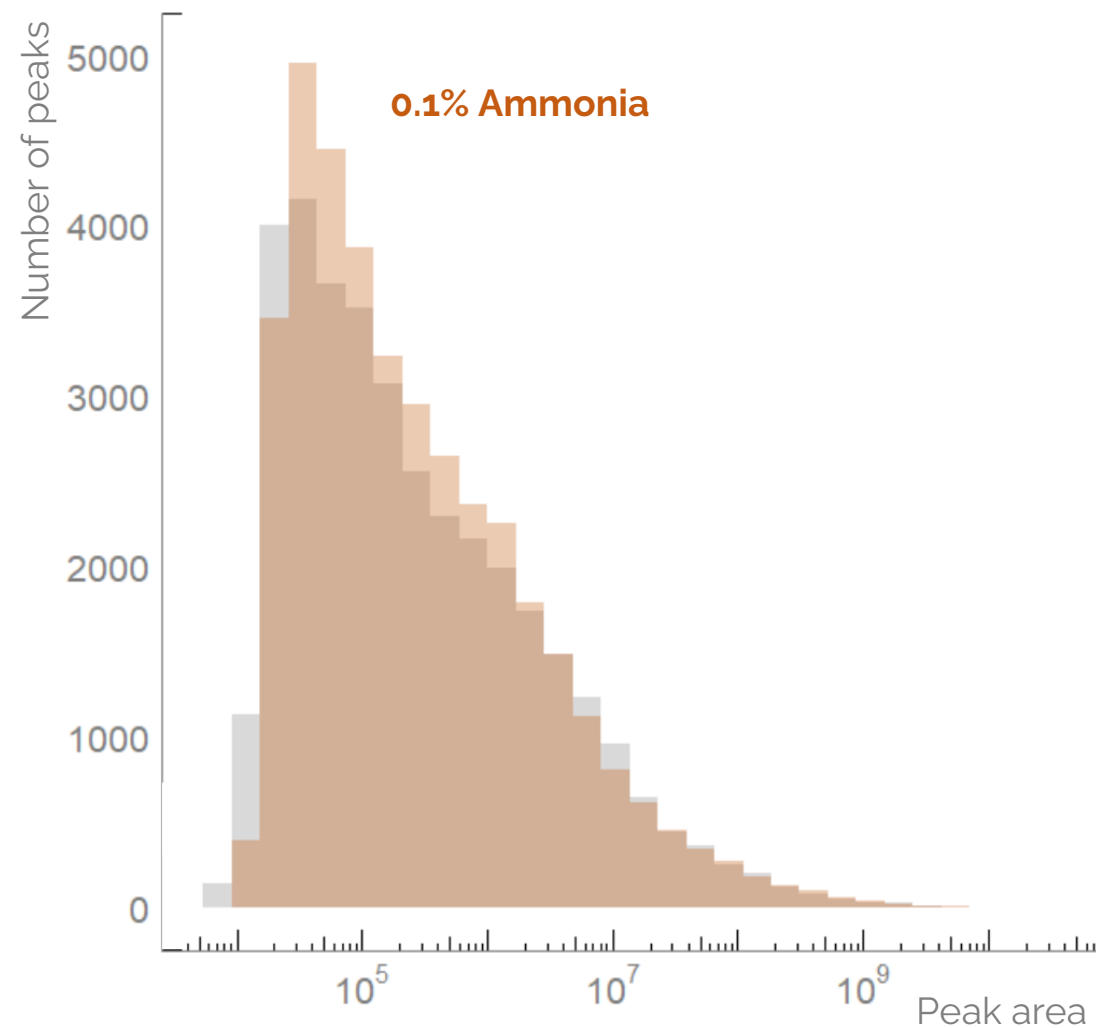
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Influent wastewater – Intensity from full scan



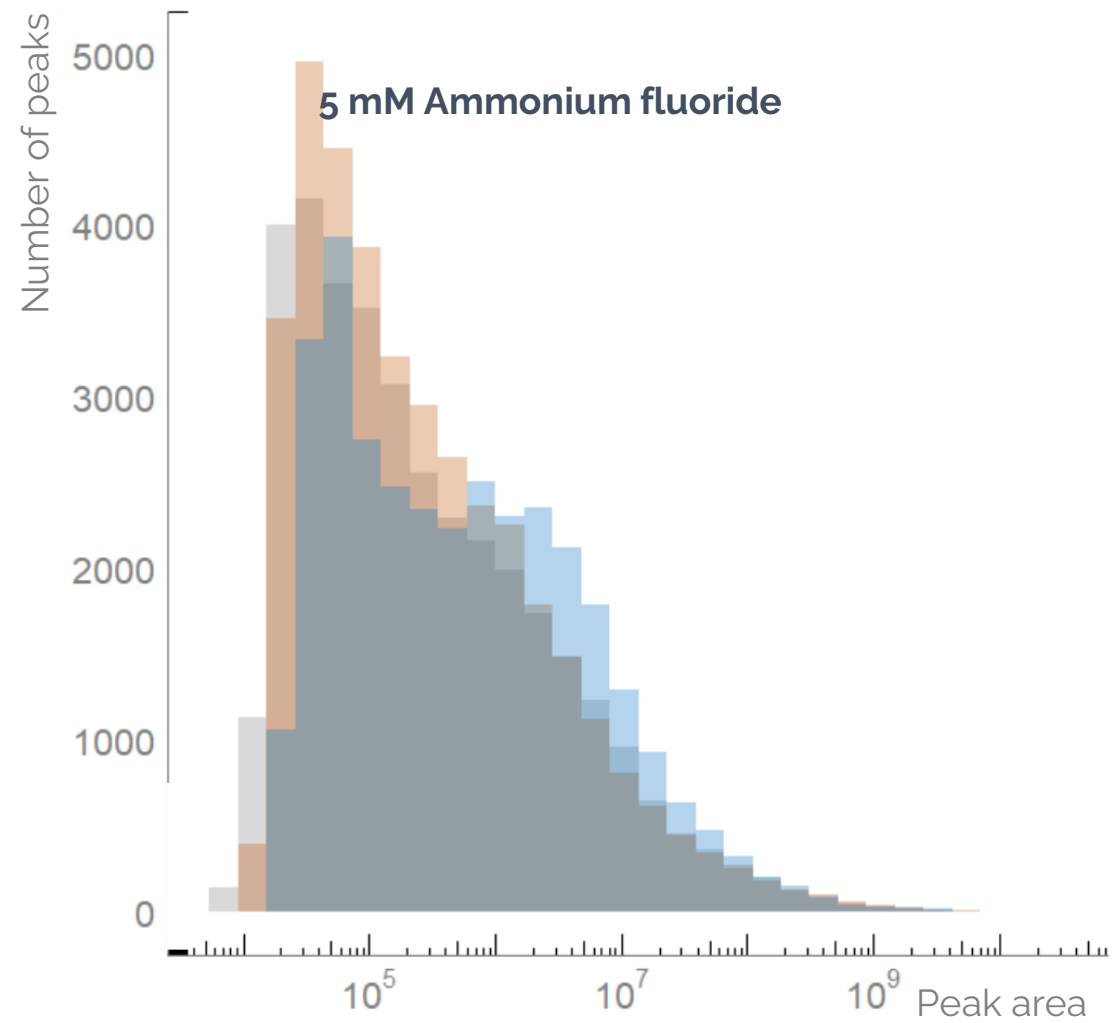
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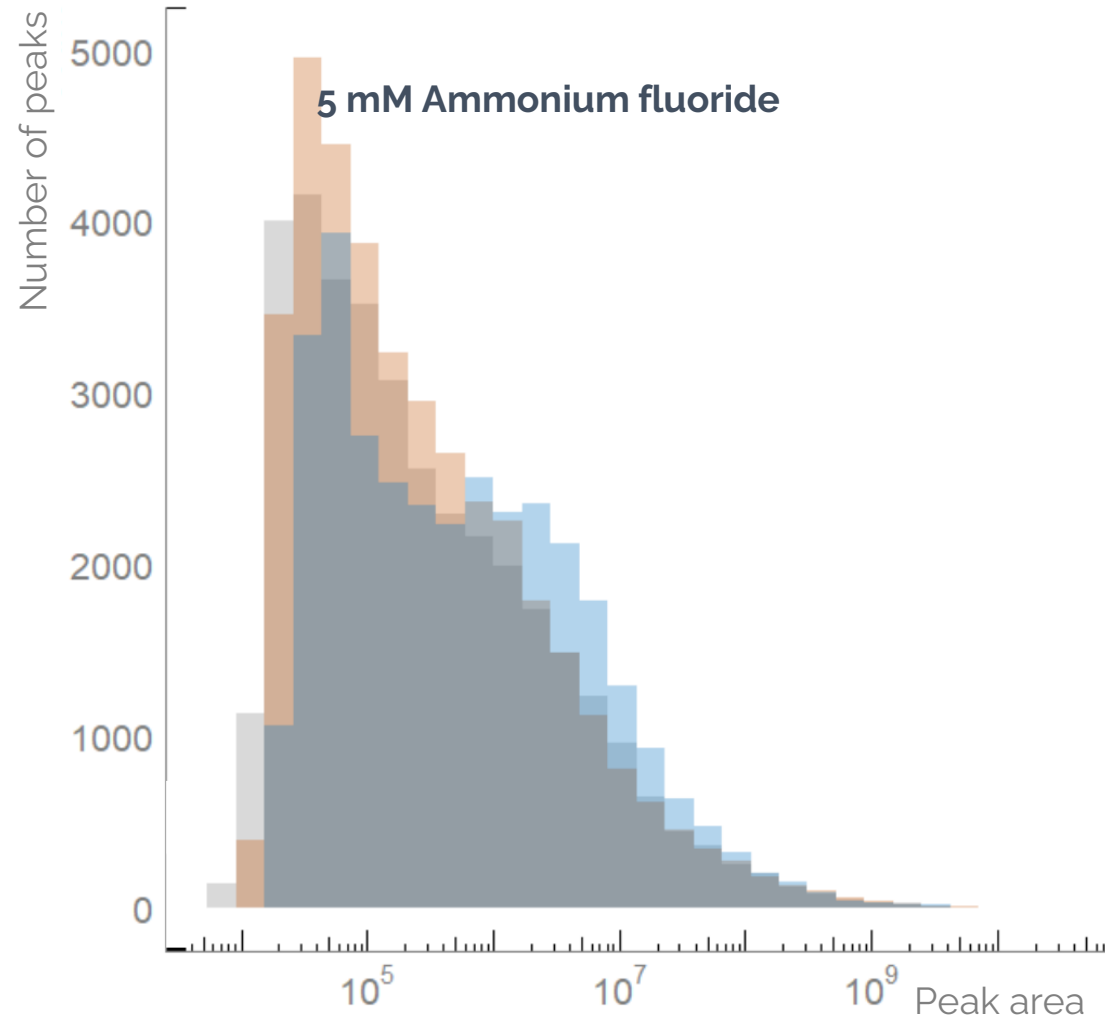
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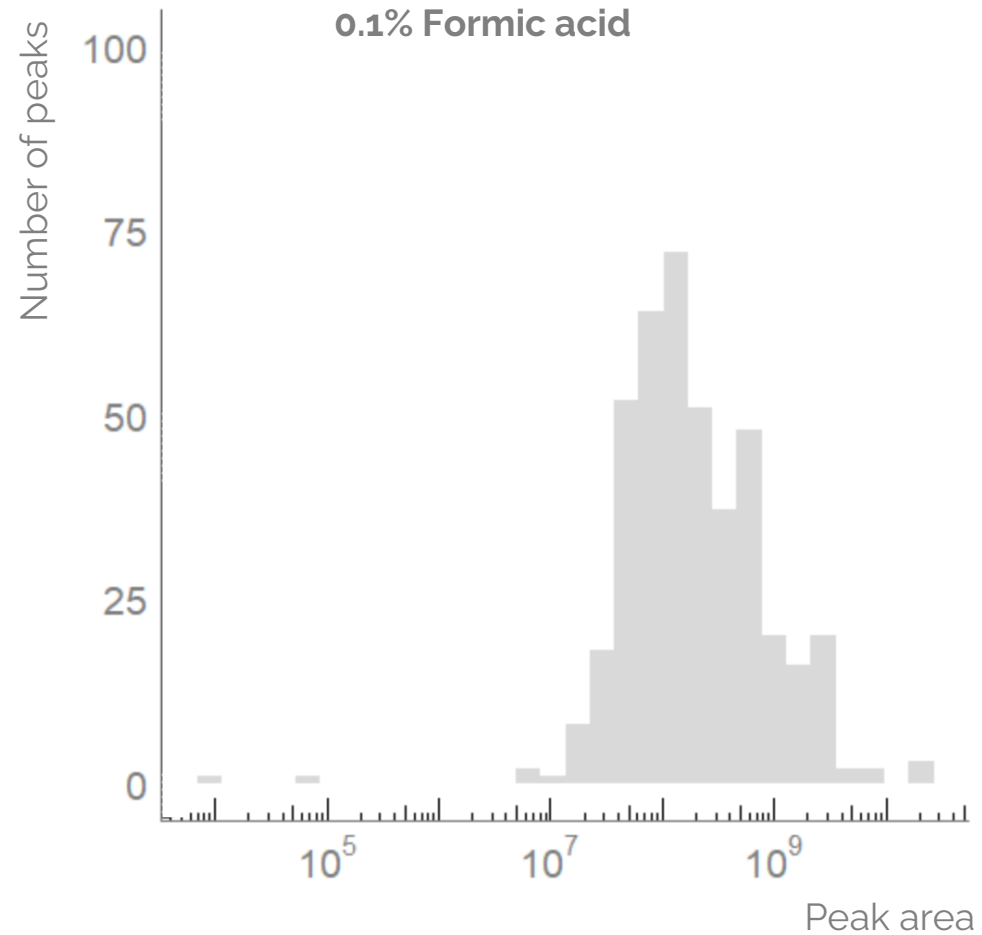
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5 mM ammonium fluoride yielded higher peak areas

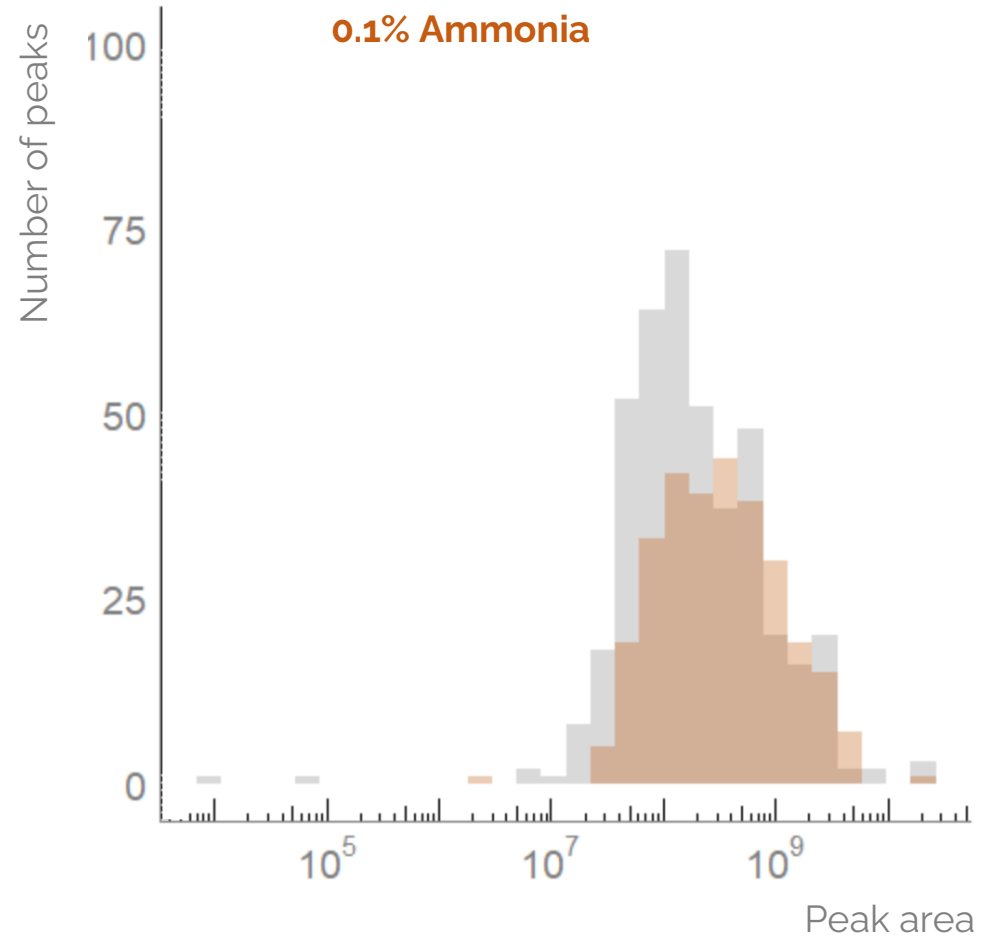
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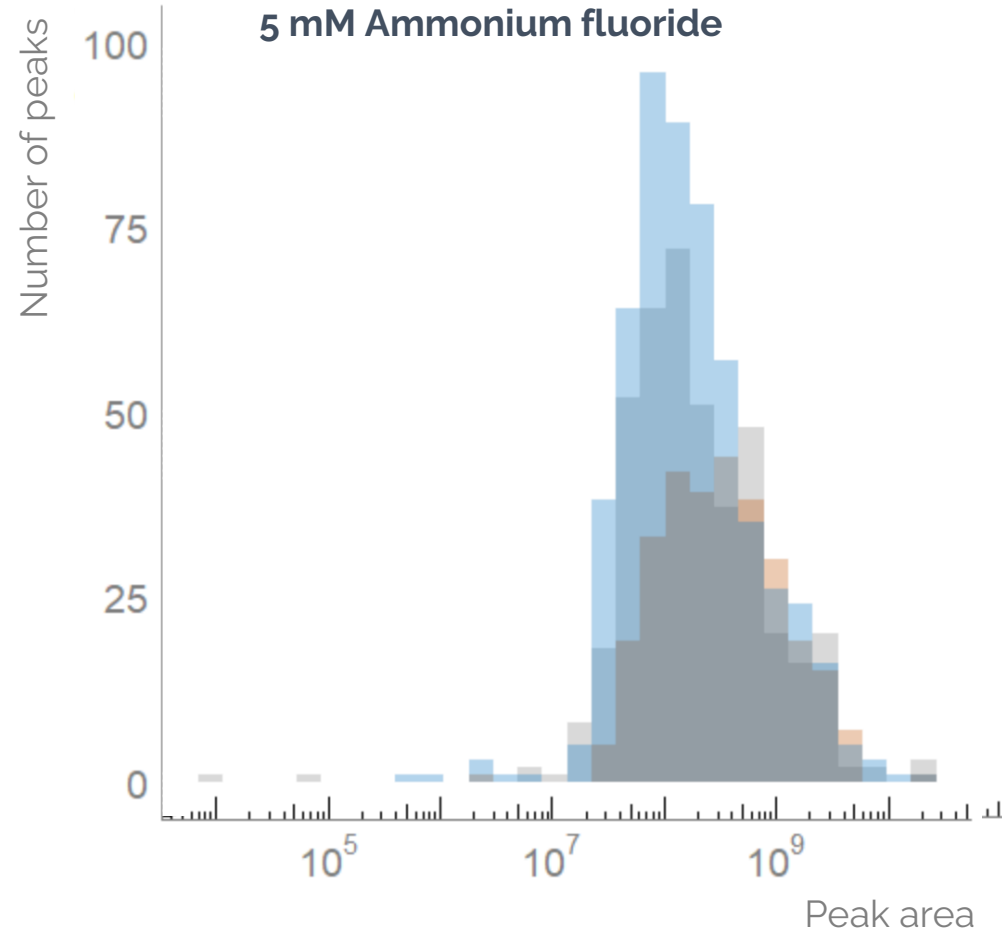
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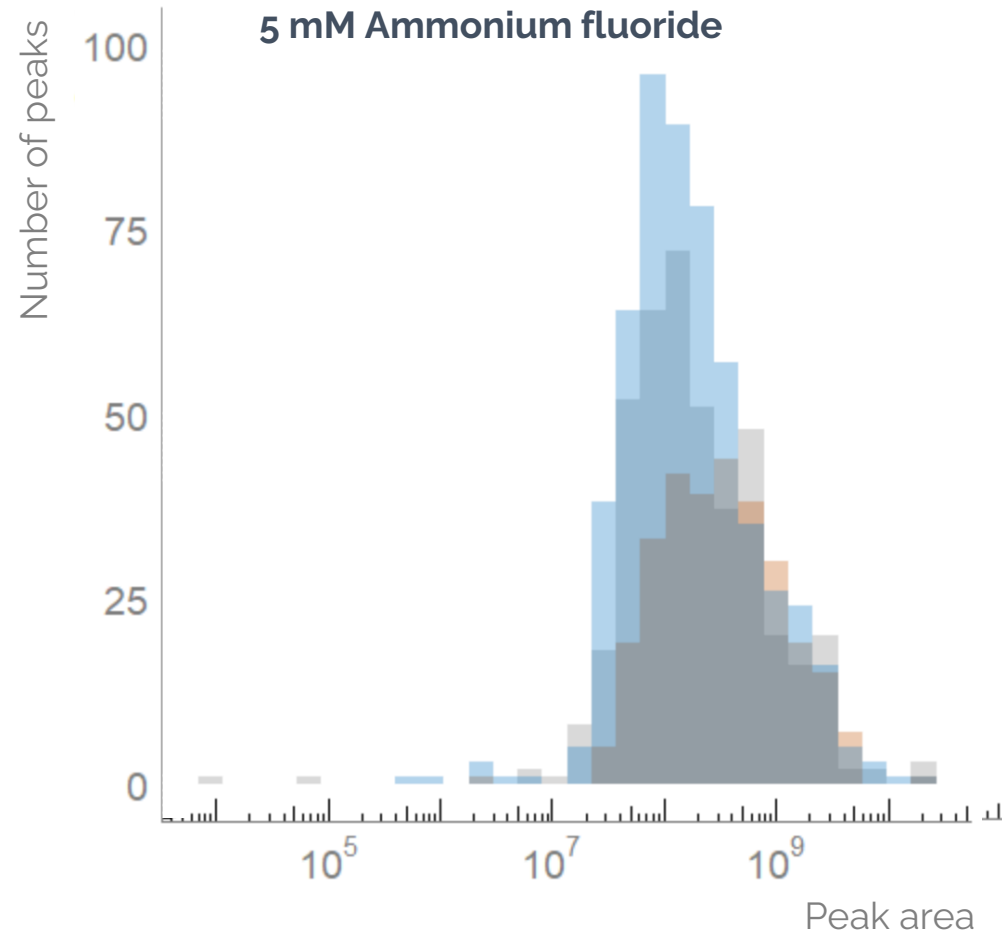
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5 mM ammonium fluoride yielded the highest number of peaks with MS2 triggered

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pH has a significant effect on the response factors of low ionizable compounds

Acidic conditions improved the response factors of weak bases and acids

Ammonium fluoride showed the highest number of MS² triggered and higher median peak areas

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