

MassBank Record Format 2.12 (draft)

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Updated

[July 2017]: CH\$CDK_DEPICT added to render partially defined structures with CDK depict.

[June 2017]: CH\$LINK: COMPTOX added to link the [CompTox Chemistry Dashboard](#)

[March 2016]: The default Creative Commons license of MassBank record is defined as CC BY. Two new tags are added, CH\$LINK: INCHIKEY and PK\$SPLASH.

InChI key in CH\$LINK: INCHIKEY is a hashed version of InChI code and used as an optional, common link based on chemical structures. SPLASH in PK\$SPLASH (Section 2.6.1) is a mandatory, hashed identifier of mass spectra.

1. Overview

- Each MassBank Record has one-to-one relation to a specific mass spectrum.
 - It is assumed that the sample of measurement of each mass spectrum is a single chemical substance.
- MassBank Record Information is classified into
 - single line information and multiple line information.
 - mandatory and optional
 - unique and iterative.

1.1 Syntax Rules

- Single line information is either one of the followings:
 - Tag [] [space] Value ([i] [space] Value)
 - Tag [] [space] subtag [space] Value ([i] [space] Value)
- Multiple line information
 - First line is Tag [] [space]
 - Following lines are [space] [space] Value
- Last line of a MassBank Record is [//] .

1.2 Order of Information

- MassBank Record Information in a MassBank Record is arranged in a fixed order (see Section 2).

1.3 Others

- [MS] [] [space] Value [] is the mzOntology ID in OLS
(<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ontology-lookup/browse.do?ontName=MS>)

Table 1. MassBank Record Format (Summary) (not updated)

	Tag	Mandatory / Optional	Unique/ Iterative	Single line/ Multiple line	Description	Subsection in manual	Note
Record Specific Information							
	ACCESSION	M	U	S	Record identifier	2.1.1	
	RECORD_TITLE	M	U	S	Short title of the record	2.1.2	
	DATE	M	U	S	Date of creation or last modification of record	2.1.3	
	AUTHORS	M	U	S	Name and affiliation of authors	2.1.4	
	LICENSE	M	U	S	Creative Commons License or its compatible terms	2.1.5	
	COPYRIGHT	O	U	S	Copyright	2.1.6	
	PUBLICATION	O	U	S	Bibliographic information of reference	2.1.7	
	COMMENT	O	I	S	Comments	2.1.8	
Information of Chemical Compound Analyzed							
	CH\$NAME	M	I	S	Chemical name	2.2.1	
	CH\$COMPOUND_CLASS	M	U	S	Chemical category	2.2.2	
	CH\$FORMULA	M	U	S	Chemical formula	2.2.3	
	CH\$EXACT_MASS	M	U	S	Exact mass	2.2.4	
	CH\$SMILES	M	U	S	SMILES code	2.2.5	
	CH\$IUPAC	M	U	S	InChI code	2.2.6	
	CH\$LINK: subtag identifier	O	U	S	External database name with identifier	2.2.7	Note 1
Information of Biological Sample							
	SP\$SCIENTIFIC_NAME	O	U	S	Scientific name of biological species	2.3.1	
	SP\$LINEAGE	O	U	S	Lineage of species		
	SP\$LINK: subtag identifier	O	U	S	External database name with identifier		Note 1
	SP\$SAMPLE	O	U	S	Information of sample preparations		
Analytical Methods and Conditions							
	AC\$INSTRUMENT	M	U	S	Commercial name and manufacturer of instrument	2.4.1	
	AC\$INSTRUMENT_TYPE	M	U	S	Type of instrument	2.4.2	Note 2
	AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: MS_TYPE	M	U	S	MSn type of data	2.4.3	Note 3

Table 1 (Continued).

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: ION_MODE	M	U	S	Positive or negative mode of ion detection	2.4.4	
AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: subtag	O	U	S	Analytical conditions of mass spectrometry	2.4.5	Note 1
AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: subtag	O	U/I	S	Analytical conditions of chromatographic separation	2.4.6	Note 1,4
Description of mass spectral data						
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: subtag	O	U	S	Precursor ion and m/z	2.5.1	Note 1
MS\$DATA_PROCESSING: subtag	O	U	S	Data processing method		Note 1
Peak Information						
PK\$SPLASH	M	U	S	Hashed identifier of mass spectra	2.6.1	
PK\$ANNOTATION	O	U	M	Chemical annotation of peaks by molecular formula	2.6.2	
PK\$NUM_PEAK	M	U	S	Total number of peaks	2.6.3	
PK\$PEAK	M	U	M	Peak (m/z , intensity, and relative intensity)	2.6.4	
Supplementary Definitions						
Description of isotope-labeled chemical compound					2.7.1	

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General note. Decimal point should be a period, “.”, but not a comma, “,”. For example, “ m/z 425.7”. No thousand separator is inserted.

Note 1. Within each tag, data fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of subtag names.

Note 2. Data field of AC\$INSTRUMENT_TYPE consists of "(Separation tool type-)Ionization method-Ion analyzer type(Ion analyzer type)". Examples of the data are "ESI-QTOF", "ESI-QQ", "GC-EI-EB", "LC-ESI-ITTOF".

Note 3. Data field of AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: MS_TYPE is either "MS", "MS2", "MS3", "MS4", , , , .

Note 4. Tag AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: SOLVENT is iterative.

2. MassBank Record Information

- Table 1 summarizes the current MassBank Record Information.
- MassBank Record Information consists of 6 groups (Table 2).

Table 2. Groups of MassBank Record Information.

<i>Information groups</i>	<i>Sections</i>
Record Specific Information	2.1
Chemical Information (Tag starts with <code>CH\$</code>)	2.2
Sample Information (Tag starts with <code>SP\$</code>)	2.3
Analytical Chemistry Information (Tag starts with <code>AC\$</code>)	2.4
Mass Spectral Data Information (Tag starts with <code>MS\$</code>)	2.5
Mass Spectral Peak Data (Tag starts with <code>PK\$</code>)	2.6

- Information should be arranged by the order shown in Table 2.

2.1 Record Specific Information

2.1.1 ACCESSION *

- Identifier of the MassBank Record. Mandatory
- Example
ACCESSION: ZMS00006
 - 8-character fix-length string.
 - Prefix two or three alphabetical capital characters specify the site, *i.e.* database, where the record is submitted and stored.
 - Prefixes currently used are listed in the “Prefix of ID” column of the MassBank “Statistics” table (<http://www.massbank.jp/en/statistics.html>).
 - Rest of the field is decimal letters which are the identifier of the record at each site.

2.1.2 RECORD_TITLE *

- Brief Description of MassBank Record. Mandatory
- Example
RECORD_TITLE: (-)-Nicotine; ESI-QQ; MS2; CE 40 V; [M+H]⁺
 - It consists of the values of `CH$NAME` [`AC$INSTRUMENT_TYPE` [`AC$MASS_SPECTROMETRY`: `MS_TYPE`.

2.1.3 DATE *

- Date of the Creation or the Last Modification of MassBank Record. Mandatory
- Example
DATE: 2011.02.21 (Created 2007.07.07)

2.1.4 AUTHORS *

- Authors and Affiliations of MassBank Record. Mandatory
- Example
AUTHORS: Akimoto N, Grad Sch Pharm Sci, Kyoto Univ and Maoka T, Res Inst Prod Dev.
 - Only single-byte characters are allowed. For example, ö is not allowed.

2.1.5 LICENSE *

- Creative Commons License of Re-use of MassBank Record. Mandatory
- Example
LICENSE: CC BY
 - Contributors to MassBank are encouraged to show the license “CC BY”. This license mean that others are free to “share” (copy and redistribute the MassBank record in any medium or format) and to “adapt” (remix, transform, and build upon the MassBank record) for any purpose, even commercially. The contributors cannot revoke these freedoms as long as the others follow the license terms.

2.1.6 COPYRIGHT

- Copyright of MassBank Record. Optional
- Example
COPYRIGHT: Keio University

2.1.7 PUBLICATION

- Reference of the Mass Spectral Data. Optional
- Example
PUBLICATION: Iida T, Tamura T, et al, J Lipid Res. 29, 165-71 (1988). [PMID: 3367086]
 - Citation with PubMed ID is recommended.

2.1.8 COMMENT

- Comments. Optional and Iterative
- In MassBank, COMMENT fields are often used to show the relations of the present

record with other MassBank records and with data files. In these cases, the terms in brackets [] and [] are reserved for the comments specific to the following five examples.

Example 1

COMMENT: This record is a MS3 spectrum. Link to the MS2 spectrum is added in the following comment field.

COMMENT: [MS2] KO008089

Example 2

COMMENT: This record was generated by merging the following three MassBank records.

COMMENT: [Merging] KO006229 Tiglate; ESI-QTOF; MS2; CE:10 V [M-H]-.

COMMENT: [Merging] KO006230 Tiglate; ESI-QTOF; MS2; CE:20 V [M-H]-.

COMMENT: [Merging] KO006231 Tiglate; ESI-QTOF; MS2; CE:30 V [M-H]-.

Example 3

COMMENT: This record was merged into a MassBank record, KOX00012, with other records.

COMMENT: [Merged] KOX00012

Example 4

COMMENT: Analytical conditions of LC-MS were described in separate files.

COMMENT: [Mass spectrometry] ms1.txt

COMMENT: [Chromatography] lc1.txt.

Example 5

COMMENT: Profile spectrum of this record is given as a JPEG file.

COMMENT: [Profile] CA000185.jpg

2.2 Information of Chemical Compound Analyzed

2.2.1 CH\$NAME *

- Name of the Chemical Compound Analyzed. Mandatory and Iterative
- Example
CH\$NAME: D-Tartaric acid
CH\$NAME: (2S,3S)-Tartaric acid
- No prosthetic molecule of adducts (HCl, H₂SO₃, H₂O, *etc*), conjugate ions (Chloride, *etc*) , and protecting groups (TMS, *etc.*) is included.
- Chemical names which are listed in the compound list are recommended.
Synonyms could be added.
- If chemical compound is a stereoisomer, stereochemistry should be indicated.

2.2.2 CH\$COMPOUND_CLASS *

- Category of Chemical Compound. Mandatory
- Example
CH\$COMPOUND_CLASS: Natural Product; Carotenoid; Terpenoid; Lipid
- Either Natural Product or Non-Natural Product should be precedes the other class names .

2.2.3 CH\$FORMULA *

- Molecular Formula of Chemical Compound. Mandatory
- Example
CH\$FORMULA: C9H10CINO3
- It follows the Hill's System.
- No prosthetic molecule is included (see 2.2.1 CH\$NAME).
- Molecular formulae of derivatives by chemical modification with TMS, *etc.* should be given in the MS\$FOCUSED_ION: DERIVATIVE_FORM (2.5.1) field.

2.2.4 CH\$EXACT_MASS *

- Monoisotopic Mass of Chemical Compound. Mandatory
- Example
CH\$EXACT_MASS: 430.38108
- A value with 5 digits after the decimal point is recommended.

2.2.5 CH\$SMILES *

- SMILES String. Mandatory
- Example
CH\$SMILES: NCC(O)=O
- Isomeric SMILES but not a canonical one.

2.2.6 CH\$IUPAC *

- IUPAC International Chemical Identifier (InChI Code). Mandatory
- Example
CH\$IUPAC: InChI=1S/C2H5NO2/c3-1-2(4)5/h1,3H2,(H,4,5)
- Not IUPAC name.

2.2.7 CH\$CDK_DEPICT

- Displays partially defined structures with CDK depict in record view
- In test phase, advanced users only
- Optional and Iterative
- Example

CH\$CDK_DEPICT_SMILES [CCOCCOCCO |Sg:n:3,4,5:2:ht| PEG-2](#)

CH\$CDK_DEPICT_GENERIC_SMILES [c1ccc\(cc1\)/C=C/C\(=O\)O\[R\]](#)

CH\$CDK_DEPICT_STRUCTURE_SMILES [c1ccc\(cc1\)/C=C/C\(=O\)O](#)

2.2.8 CH\$LINK: subtag identifier

- Identifier and Link of Chemical Compound to External Databases.
 - Optional and Iterative
 - Example
- CH\$LINK: CAS 56-40-6
- CH\$LINK: COMPTOX [DTXSID50274017](#)
- CH\$LINK: INCHIKEY UFFBMTHBGFGIHF-UHFFFAOYSA-N
- CH\$LINK: KEGG C00037
- CH\$LINK: PUBCHEM SID: 11916 [CID:182232](#)
- Currently MassBank records have links to the following external databases :

- [CAS](#)
- [CHEBI](#)
- [CHEMPDB](#)
- [CHEMSPIDER](#)
- [COMPTOX](#)
- [INCHIKEY](#)
- [KEGG](#)
- [KNAPSACK](#)
- [LIPIDBANK](#)
- [LIPIDMAPS](#)
- [PUBCHEM](#)

- CH\$LINK fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of database names.
- InChI Key, a hashed version of InChI code, is a common link by chemical structures.

Information of Biological Sample

2.3.1 SP\$SCIENTIFIC_NAME

- Scientific Name of Biological Species, from Which Sample was Prepared. Optional
- Example
SP\$SCIENTIFIC_NAME: Mus musculus

2.3.2 SP\$LINK subtag identifier

- Identifier of Biological Species in External Databases. Optional
- Example
SP\$LINK: NCBI-TAXONOMY 10090

2.3.3 SP\$SAMPLE

- Tissue or Cell, from which Sample was Prepared. Optional and iterative
- Example
SP\$SAMPLE: Liver extracts

2.4 Analytical Method and Conditions

2.4.1 AC\$INSTRUMENT *

- Commercial Name and Model of (Chromatographic Separation Instrument, if any were coupled, and) Mass Spectrometer and Manufacturer. Mandatory
- Example
AC\$INSTRUMENT: LC-10ADVPmicro HPLC, Shimadzu; LTQ Orbitrap, Thermo Electron.
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Instrument model [MS:1000031]
- All the instruments are given together in a single line. This record is not iterative.

2.4.2 AC\$INSTRUMENT_TYPE *

- General Type of Instrument. Mandatory
- Example
AC\$INSTRUMENT_TYPE: LC-ESI-QTOF
- Format is
(Separation tool type)Ionization method-Ion analyzer type(Ion analyzer type).
- Separation tool types are CE, GC, LC.
- Ionization methods are APCI, APPI, EI, ESI, FAB, MALDI.
- Ion analyzer types are B, E, FT, IT, Q, TOF.
- In tandem mass analyzers, no “–” is inserted between ion analyzers.

- FT includes FTICR and other type analyzers using FT, such as Orbitrap^(R).
- IT comprises quadrupole ion trap analyzers such as 3D ion trap and linear ion trap.
- Other examples of AC\$INSTRUMENT_TYPE data are as follows.
 - ESI-QQ
 - ESI-QTOF
 - GC-EI-EB
 - LC-ESI-ITFT
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Ionization methods [MS:1000008]; APCI [MS:1000070]; APPI [MS:1000382]; EI [MS:1000389]; ESI [MS:1000073]; B [MS:1000080]; IT [MS:1000264], Q [MS:1000081], TOF [MS:1000084].

2.4.3 AC\$MASS SPECTROMETRY: MS_TYPE *

- Data Type. Mandatory
- Example
AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: MS_TYPE MS2
- Either of MS, MS2, MS3, MS4, , , .
- Brief definition of terms used in MS_TYPE
 - MS2 is 1st generation product ion spectrum(of MS)
 - MS3 is 2nd generation product ion spectrum(of MS)
 - MS2 is the precursor ion spectrum of MS3
- IUPAC Recommendations 2006
(http://old.iupac.org/reports/provisional/abstract06/murray_prs.pdf)

2.4.4 AC\$MASS SPECTROMETRY: ION_MODE *

- Polarity of Ion Detection. Mandatory
- Example
AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: ION_MODE POSITIVE
- Either of POSITIVE or NEGATIVE is allowed.
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: POSITIVE [MS:1000030] or NEGATIVE [MS:1000129]; Ion mode [MS:1000465]

2.4.5 AC\$MASS SPECTROMETRY: subtag Description

- Other Optional Experimental Methods and Conditions of Mass Spectrometry.
- Description is a list of numerical values with/without unit or a sentence.
- AC\$MASS SPECTROMETRY fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of subtag names.

2.4.5 Subtag: COLLISION ENERGY

- Collision Energy for Dissociation.

- Example 1

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: COLLISION_ENERGY 20 kV

- Example 2

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: COLLISION_ENERGY Ramp 10-50 kV

2.4.5 Subtag: COLLISION GAS

- Name of Collision Gas.

- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: COLLISION_GAS N2

- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Collision gas [MS:1000419]

2.4.5 Subtag: DATE

- Date of Analysis.

2.4.5 Subtag: DESOLVATION GAS FLOW

- Flow Rate of Desolvation Gas.

- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: DESOLVATION_GAS_FLOW 600.0 l/h

2.4.5 Subtag: DESOLVATION TEMPERATURE

- Temperature of Desolvation Gas.

- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: DESOLVATION_TEMPERATURE 400 C

2.4.5 Subtag: IONIZATION ENERGY

- Energy of Ionization.

- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: IONIZATION_ENERGY 70 eV

2.4.5 Subtag: LASER

- Desorption /Ionization Conditions in MALDI.

- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: LASER 337 nm nitrogen laser, 20 Hz, 10 nsec

2.4.5 Subtag: MATRIX

- Matrix Used in MALDI and FAB.
- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: MATRIX 1-2 uL m-NBA

2.4.5. Subtag : MASS ACCURACY

- Relative Mass Accuracy.
- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: MASS_ACCURACY 50 ppm over a range of about m/z 100-1000

2.4.5 Subtag: REAGENT GAS

- Name of Reagent Gas.
- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: REAGENT_GAS ammonia

2.4.5 Subtag: SCANNING

- Scan Cycle and Range.
- Example

AC\$MASS_SPECTROMETRY: SCANNING 0.2 sec/scan (m/z 50-500)

2.4.6 AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: subtag Description

- Experimental Method and Conditions of Chromatographic Separation. Optional
- AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of subtag names.

2.4.6 Subtag: CAPILLARY VOLTAGE

- Voltage Applied to Capillary Electrophoresis or Voltage Applied to the Interface of LC-MS.
- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: CAPILLARY_VOLTAGE 4 kV

2.4.6 Subtag: COLUMN NAME

- Commercial Name of Chromatography Column and Manufacture.
- Example of LC

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: COLUMN_NAME Acquity UPLC BEH C18 2.1 by 50 mm (Waters, Milford,

MA, USA)

- Example of CE

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: COLUMN_NAME Fused silica capillary id=50 um L=100 cm (HMT, Tsuruoka, Japan)

2.4.6 Subtag: COLUMN TEMPERATURE

- Column Temperature.

- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: COLUMN_TEMPERATURE 40 C

2.4.6 Subtag: FLOW GRADIENT

- Gradient of Elution Solutions.

- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: FLOW_GRADIENT 0/100 at 0 min, 15/85 at 5 min, 21/79 at 20 min, 90/10 at 24 min, 95/5 at 26 min, 0/100, 30 min

2.4.6 Subtag: FLOW RATE

- Flow Rate of Migration Phase.

- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: FLOW_RATE 0.25 ml/min

2.4.6 Subtag: RETENTION TIME

- Retention Time on Chromatography.

- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: RETENTION_TIME 40.3 min

- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Retention time [MS:1000016]

2.4.6 Subtag: SOLVENT

- Chemical Composition of Buffer Solution. Iterative

- Example

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: SOLVENT A acetonitrile-methanol-water (19:19:2) with 0.1% acetic acid

AC\$CHROMATOGRAPHY: SOLVENT B 2-propanol with 0.1% acetic acid and 0.1% ammonium hydroxide (28%)

2.5 Description of Mass Spectral Data

2.5.1 MS\$FOCUSED_ION: subtag Description

- Information of Precursor or Molecular Ion.
- MS\$FOCUSED_ION fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of subtag names.

2.5.1 Subtag: BASE_PEAK

- *m/z* of Base Peak.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: BASE_PEAK 73

2.5.1 Subtag: DERIVATIVE_FORM

- Molecular Formula of Derivative for GC-MS.
- Example 1
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: DERIVATIVE_FORM C₁₉H₄₂O₅Si₄
- Example 2
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: DERIVATIVE_FORM C_{9+3*n}H_{16+8*n}NO₅Si_{n}

2.5.1 Subtag: DERIVATIVE_MASS

- Exact Mass of Derivative for GC-MS.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: DERIVATIVE_MASS 462.21093

2.5.1 Subtag: DERIVATIVE_TYPE

- Type of Derivative for GC-MS.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: DERIVATIVE_TYPE 4 TMS

2.5.1 Subtag: ION_TYPE

- Type of Focused Ion.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: ION_TYPE [M+H]⁺
- Types currently used in MassBank are [M]⁺, [M]⁺*, [M+H]⁺, [2M+H]⁺, [M+Na]⁺, [M-H+Na]⁺, [2M+Na]⁺, [M+2Na-H]⁺, [(M+NH₃)+H]⁺, [M+H-H₂O]⁺, [M+H-C₆H₁₀O₄]⁺, [M+H-C₆H₁₀O₅]⁺, [M]⁻, [M-H]⁻, [M-2H]⁻, [M-2H+H₂O]⁻, [M-H+OH]⁻, [2M-H]⁻, [M+HCOO]⁻, [(M+CH₃COOH)-H]⁻, [2M-H-CO₂]⁻ and

[2M-H-C6H10O5]-.

2.5.1 Subtag: PRECURSOR_M/Z

- *m/z* of Precursor Ion in MS_n spectrum.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: PRECURSOR_M/Z 289.07123
- Calculated exact mass is preferred to the measured accurate mass of the precursor ion.
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: precursor m/z [MS:1000504]

2.5.1 Subtag: PRECURSOR_TYPE

- Type of Precursor Ion in MS_n.
- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: PRECURSOR_TYPE [M-H]-
- Types currently used in MassBank are [M]+, [M]+*, [M+H]+, [2M+H]+, [M+Na]+, [M-H+Na]+, [2M+Na]+, [M+2Na-H]+, [(M+NH3)+H]+, [M+H-H2O]+, [M+H-C6H10O4]+, [M+H-C6H10O5]+, [M]-, [M-H]-, [M-2H]-, [M-2H+H2O]-, [M-H+OH]-, [2M-H]-, [M+HCOO]-, [(M+CH3COOH)-H]-, [2M-H-CO2]- and [2M-H-C6H10O5]-.
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Precursor type [MS: 1000792]

2.5.3 MS\$DATA_PROCESSING: subtag

- Data Processing Method of Peak Detection. Optional
- MS\$DATA_PROCESSING fields should be arranged by the alphabetical order of subtag names.
- Cross-reference to mzOntology: Data processing [MS:1000543]

2.5.3 Subtag: FIND_PEAK

- Peak Detection.
- Example
MS\$DATA_PROCESSING: FIND_PEAK convexity search; threshold = 9.1

2.5.3 Subtag: WHOLE

- Whole Process in Single Method / Software.
- Example
MS\$DATA_PROCESSING: WHOLE Analyst 1.4.2

2.6 Information of Mass Spectral Peaks

2.6.1 PK\$SPLASH *

- Hashed Identifier of Mass Spectra. Mandatory and Single Line Information
- Example
PK\$SPLASH: splash10-z200000000-87bb3c76b8e5f33dd07f

2.6.2 PK\$ANNOTATION

- Chemical Annotation of Peaks with Molecular Formula. Optional and Multiple Line Information
- Example 1
PK\$ANNOTATION: m/z annotation exact_mass error(ppm) formula
794.76 [PC(18:0,20:4)-CH3]- 794.56998 239 C45H81NO8P
- Example 2
PK\$ANNOTATION: m/z {annotation formula exact_mass error(ppm)}
494.34
[lyso PC(alkyl-18:0,-)]- C25H53NO6P 494.36105 -42
- Example 3
PK\$ANNOTATION: m/z formula annotation exact_mass error(ppm)
167.08947 C9H12O2N [M+1]+(13C) 167.08961 0.81
168.08681 C9H12O2N [M+1]+(13C, 15N) 168.08664 1.04
- Line 1 defines the record format of the annotation blocks. Contributors freely define the record format by using appropriate terms.
- Line 2 or later : sequence of multiple line annotation blocks.
- The first line of each annotation block should be indented by space space. The second or later line in each annotation block should be indented by space space space space.
- See Section 2.7.2 about more details of Example 3.

2.6.3 PK\$NUM PEAK *

- Total Number of Peaks in PK\$PEAK (2.6.3) . Mandatory
- Example
PK\$NUM_PEAK 86

2.6.4 PK\$PEAK *

- Peak Data. Mandatory and Multiple line Information

- Example

PK\$PEAK: m/z int. rel.int.

326.65 5.3 5

328.28 7.6 7

- Line 1: fixed string which denotes the format of Line 2 or later.

PK\$PEAK: m/z int. rel.int.

- Format of Line 2 or later: MZ INT REL

— MZ: m/z of the peak.

— INT: intensity of the peak.

— REL: an integer from 1 to 999 which denotes relative intensity of the peak.

- Peaks are arranged in the ascending order of *m/z*.

2.7 Supplementary Definitions

2.7.1 Description of Isotope-Labeled Compounds

- This section defines the chemical information of isotope-labeled chemical compounds.
- CH\$NAME is Chemical Name followed by ”–[(Labeled Positions-)Isotopic Atom Name with the Number of Isotopic Atoms]”.
- Example
CH\$NAME: Glycine-[2-13C, 15N]
CH\$NAME: L-Aspartic acid-[2-15N][3,3-d2]
CH\$NAME: Benzene-[d6]
- MOLFILE depends on whether the labeled position is specified. If the labeled position is specified, molfile defines the isotopic atom name and the labeled position. Otherwise molfile should be the same to that of the non-labeled chemical compound.
- CH\$FORMULA should be the same to that of the non-labeled chemical compound.
- CH\$EXACT_MASS is the monoisotopic mass, but not the sum of the mass of the isotopes. Thus CH\$EXACT_MASS should be equal to that of the non-labeled chemical compound.
- CH\$SMILES is the same to that of the non-labeled chemical compound.
- CH\$IUPAC, which is InChI code, should define the isotope name and the labeled positions if these two are specified. If not, InChI code is the same to that of the non-labeled chemical compound.
- MS\$FOCUSED_ION: PRECURSOR_M/Z should be the value that was actually used in the mass spectrometry.
- MS\$FOCUSED_ION: PRECURSOR_TYPE should be the same to that of non-labeled chemical compound.

- Example
MS\$FOCUSED_ION: PRECURSOR_TYPE [M+H]⁺
- Record Editor correctly generates CH\$FORMULA, CH\$EXACT_MASS, CH\$SMILES, and CH\$IUPAC from the molfile of the isotope-labeled chemical compound.
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2.7.2 PK\$ANNOTATION of Natural Abundant Isotopic Peaks

- This section describes the annotation of natural abundant isotopic peaks. Optional and Multiple Line Information
- Example
PK\$ANNOTATION: m/z formula annotation exact_mass error(ppm)
167.08947 C9H12O2N [M+1]⁺(13C) 167.08961 0.81
168.08681 C9H12O2N [M+1]⁺(13C, 15N) 168.08664 1.04
- Line 1 defines the record format of Line 2 or later lines.
- The first line of each annotation block should be indented by space space.