

# Week 10- Advanced Imaging & Measurement Technology

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## Waters- Part I: Molecular Weight

After selecting two adjacent charge-state peaks from Figure 1, the values used were **903.7148** and **875.4421 m/z**.

### 1) Calculate the charge state $z$

Using the adjacent charge-state equation from the handout, with the peaks ordered as higher  $m/z$  first:

$$z = \frac{m_{z_{n+1}}}{m_{z_n} - m_{z_{n+1}}}$$

Substituting the values:

$$z = \frac{875.4421}{903.7148 - 875.4421}$$
$$z = \frac{875.4421}{28.2727}$$
$$z \approx 30.96 \approx 31$$

So:

- the peak at **903.7148** corresponds to  $z = 31$
- the adjacent peak at **875.4421** corresponds to  $z = 32$

### 2) Calculate the molecular weight of the protein

Use:

$$MW = z \left( \frac{m}{z} - 1.0073 \right)$$

Using the peak at **903.7148** with  $z = 31$ :

$$MW = 31 (903.7148 - 1.0073)$$

$$MW = 31 (902.7075)$$

$$MW = 27983.93 \text{ Da}$$

Using the peak at **875.4421** peak with  $z = 32$ :

$$MW = 32 (875.4421 - 1.0073)$$

$$MW = 32 (874.4348)$$

$$MW = 27981.91 \text{ Da}$$

The experimental MW is around  $2.798 \times 10^4$  Da

### 3) Calculate the accuracy

The theoretical MW from Expasy was:

$$MW_{theoretical} = 28006.60 \text{ Da}$$

We use the formula:

$$Accuracy = \frac{|MW_{experimental} - MW_{Theoretical}|}{MW_{theoretical}}$$

The MW experimental used is from  $z = 31$  (27983.93 Da)

$$Accuracy = \frac{|27983.93 - 28006.60|}{28006.60}$$

$$Accuracy = \frac{|22.67|}{28006.60}$$

$$Accuracy = 8.094 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$Accuracy = 0.00081$$

As a percentage:

$$0.00081 \times 100 = 0.081\%$$

The value of 0.081% corresponds to the error.

## Waters- Part II: Charge state

As calculated before, MW was around 28000 Da and the charge state of the peak is approximately 2800 m/z

So:

$$z \approx \frac{28000}{2800} \approx 10$$

Based on the formula:

$$m/z = \frac{MW + zH}{z}$$

## Waters- Part III: Peptide Mapping - primary structure

Calculus for the figures 5b, 5c, and 6.

### Figure 5b:

The principal peak value is: **525.76712 m/z**

The mass-to-charge ratio (m/z) of the peptide shown in Figure 5b is **525.77**

### Charge state (z)

$$\Delta (m/z) = 526.25918 - 525.76712 = 0.49206$$

Calculus for (z)

$$z = \frac{1}{\Delta(m/z)}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{0.492} \approx 2$$

### Peptide Mass (Single Charged)

Based on the formula:

$$MW = z(m/z - 1.0073)$$

So:

$$MW = 2(525.76712 - 1.0073)$$

$$MW = 2(524.75982)$$

$$MW = 1049.52 \text{ Da}$$

The molecular weight of a singly charged peptide was:

$$MW = 2(525.76712 - 1.0073) \approx 1049.52 \text{ Da}$$

### Error (ppm)

Based on the formula:

$$\text{Error (ppm)} = \frac{|MW_{exp} - MW_t|}{MW_t} \times 10^6$$

Calculus:

$$\text{Error (ppm)} = \frac{|1049.52 - 1050.52|}{1050.52} \times 10^6$$

$$\text{Error (ppm)} \approx 952 \text{ ppm}$$

## Waters IV- Oligomers

Calculus of CDMS and expected oligomers masses

Polypeptide Subunit Name	Calculus	Subunit Mass (kDa)	Subunit Mass (MDa)
7FU Decamer	10 x 340	3400	3.4
8FU Didecamer	20 x 400	8000	8.0
8FU 3-Decamer	30 x 400	12000	12.0
8FU 4-Decamer	40 x 400	16000	16.0

## Waters V- Did I make GFP?

Based on previous questions, the values I obtained are:

- Theoretical MW: 28006.60 Da → 28.0066 kDa ≈ 28.01 kDa
- Experimental MW: 27983.93 Da → 27.98393 kDa ≈ 27.98 kDa
- Accuracy (%): 0.081%

### Transform accuracy error to ppm

$$1\% = 10\,000 \text{ ppm}$$

So:

$$0.081 \times 10\,000 = 810 \text{ ppm}$$

Or by using the Error ppm formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Error (ppm)} &= \frac{|MW_{exp} - MW_t|}{MW_t} \times 10^6 \\ &= \frac{22.67}{28006.60} \times 10^6 \approx 809 \text{ ppm} \end{aligned}$$