### Alzheimer's Association Global Biomarkers Standardization Consortium

# **CSF Round Robin Program**

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# CSF round robin program

- Initial focus: CSF  $A\beta_{1-42}$
- Analytical methodology: srm/tandem mass spectrometry
- Involve volunteer labs with significant experience in mass spectrometry analyses of biomarkers
- Follow an agreed on protocol
- Assess precision across 4 participating labs using CSF pools
- Share raw data amongst the labs
- Statistical analysis
- Report data to peers
- Publish this pilot study

# CSF round robin program

- The 4 participating labs: Waters (Erin Chambers); PPD (Rand Jenkins);
   UPenn (Les Shaw); UGot (Kaj Blennow)
- Initial reports of methods in literature and in ASMS & AAIC meetings
- Initial pilot study compared performance across 4 participating laboratories; initial report at the AAIC 2013 meeting; manuscript submitted
- N=12 CSF pools (prepared & shipped by UGot to each participant laboratory
- Use of a common sample preparation methodology
- 3 different mass spectrometer systems and 3 different HPLC systems
- 4 different calibration matrices
- Single-plex, triplex or pentaplex methods utilized
- Different batches of high purity rPeptide  $A\beta_{1-42}$  standard utilized

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Four Center collaborative study of mrm/tandem mass spectrometry reference methodology for measurement of  $A\beta_{1-42}$  in 12 CSF pool samples

- 3 MS platforms
  - Thermo TSQ Vantage
  - Waters TQ-S
  - ABI Sciex API 5000
- 3 HPLC platforms
  - ACUITY 1D
  - ACUITY 2D
  - Accela 1250
- 4 different surrogate matrices
  - Artificial CSF + 5% rat plasma
  - Artificial CSF + 4 mg/mL BSA
  - Salt and phosphate buffer solution + 4 mg/mL HSA, 0.05 mg/mL lgG, glucose
  - Human CSF using N15 labeled  $A\beta_{1-42}$  as calibrator
- Single-plex, tri-plex or penta-plex methods employed
- Sample preparation is the same across the 4 centers

# Laboratories participating in the Global Biomarker Standardization Consortium collaborative study

- Erin Chambers & Mary Lame, Waters & Pfizer
- Moucun Yuan, Junlong Shao, William R. Mylott, and Rand Jenkins, PPD
- Magdalena Korecka, John Trojanowski, Leslie Shaw, UPenn
- Henrik Zetterberg, Kaj Blennow, Josef Pannee, Erik Portelius, Johan Gobom, UGot

## mrm LC/MSMS method for Aβ peptides in CSF

- Aβ peptides from rPeptide
- $N^{15}$ -A $\beta$  peptide ISTDs added to CSF samples
- Guanidine·HCI

SPE extraction – 96 well

**Format** 

2D HPLC/SRMtandem mass spectrometry



Eppendorf LoBind Oasis MCX
Tubes µElution Plate

ACQUITY UPLC Trapping column Analytical column

• UPLC BEH-300

• C18 2.1x150mm, 1.7 μm

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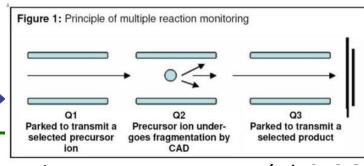
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valve - 2D chromatography

Korecka M et al, AAIC 2012 Poster #P1-317



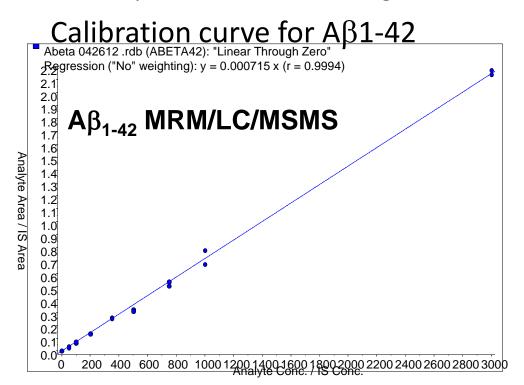
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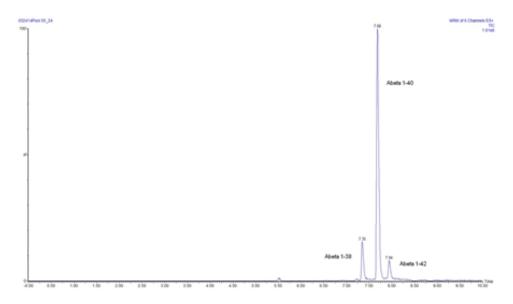
 $(A\beta_{1-42} \text{ precursor } [4+] \text{ ion})$  (product [4+] ion)

AB SciexTandem mass spectrometer API 5000

## SRM-tandem mass spectrometry

- Established
  - Surrogate matrix
  - LLOQ/UPOQ
  - Linearity
  - Precision performance
  - Recovery from hCSF
  - Freedom from ion suppression
  - Equivalence between surrogate matrix ar





Total i on chromatogram of human CSF sample with the following concentrations of three Abeta peptides: 1320 pg/mL (A $\beta$  1-38), 5720 pg/mL (A $\beta$  1-40) and 545 pg/mL (A $\beta$  1-42)

hCSF patient sample

Typical calibration curve for the quantitation of amyloid beta 1-42 (single analyte assay). An artificial CSF with addition of BSA (4mg/mL) is the matrix for calibrators preparation.

### Round robin test on quantification of $A\beta_{42}$ in CSF by mass spectrometry

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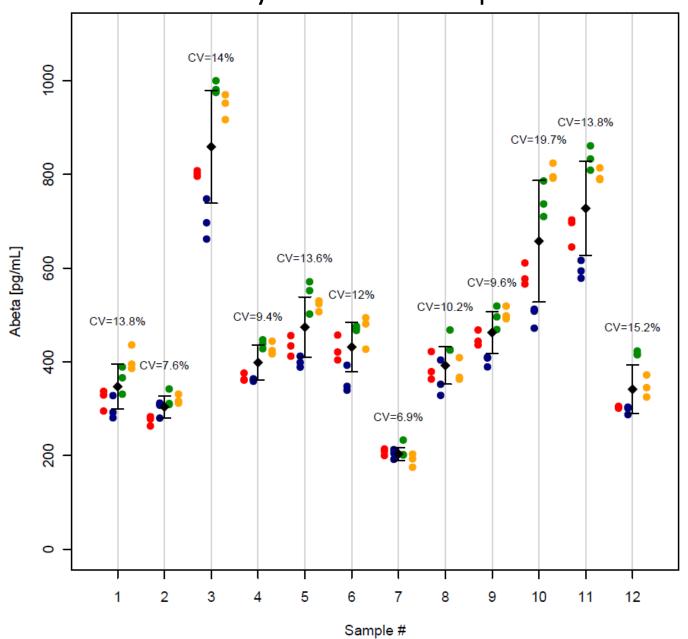
Mary Lame<sup>c</sup>, Rand Jenkins<sup>d</sup>, William Mylott<sup>d</sup>, Maria C. Carrillo<sup>e</sup>, Ingrid Zegers<sup>f</sup>, Henrik Zetterberg<sup>a,g</sup>,

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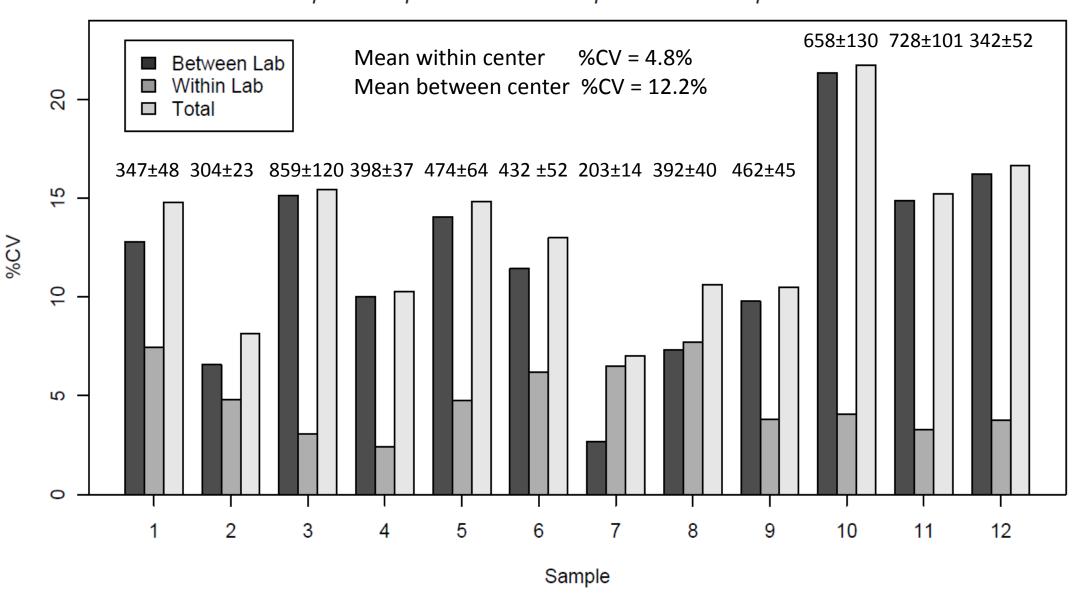
Table 1. Mass spectrometry methods summary for the 4 centers

	Waters	PPD	U. Penn.	U. Got.
IS concentration	1 ng/mL	2 ng/mL (spiked from DMSO)	2 ng/mL	1.6 ng/mL
CSF Volume	200 μL	100 μL	250 μL	200 μL
Calbrator matrix	aCSF with 5% rat plasma	aCSF with 4 mg/mL HSA + IgG, glucose	aCSF with 4 mg/mL BSA	Human CSF
LC System	ACQUITY, 1D	ACQUITY; 2D Trapping/Eluting	ACQUITY; 2D Trapping/Eluting	Accela 1250
Dilution (injection)	50 uL + 25 μL H2O (10μL)	50 uL + 50 uL H2O (30 μL)	50 μL + 50 μL H2O (50μL)	No dilution. Dried eluate resuspended in 25 $\mu$ L, 20 $\mu$ L injected.
LC mobile phases	A- 0.3% NH4OH B- 90:10 ACN/MP A	A- 0.3% NH4OH B- 90:5:5 ACN/TFE/H2O	A- 0.1% NH4OH B- 75:25:5 ACN/MeOH/TFE	A: 0.1% NH₄OH, 5% ACN B: 0.03% NH4OH, 95% ACN
Column	BEH 300 2.1 x 150 mm, 1.7 μm, 50 C	BEH 300 2.1 x 150 mm, 1.7 μm, 50 C	BEH 300 2.1 x 50 mm, 1.7 μm, 60°C	ProSwift RP-4H 1x250 mm
Flow rate	200 μL/min	300 μL/min	200 μL/min	300 μL/min
Mass Spectrometer	Xevo TQ-S	Xevo TQ-S	API 5000	TSQ Vantage
Transitions, m/z	1129.0→1078.5	1129.0→1078.5	1129.0→1078.5	1129.58→1054.03, 1078.79, 1107.06
Run time	8.5 mins	8.5 minutes	12 minutes	14 minutes

## Alzheimer's Association Global Biomarker Consortium mrmMSMS Study data for 12 CSF pools



Pilot investigation of performance of 4 mrm/tandem mass spectrometry methods for measurement of A $\beta_{1-42}$  in human CSF precision performance for 12 pooled CSF samples



## Summary

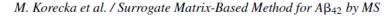
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- Single-plex, triplex or pentaplex methods utilized
- Different batches of rPeptide  $A\beta_{1-42}$  standard utilized
- Very good agreement across the 4 laboratories is consistent with the ruggedness of the methodologic approach and supports their working together on the IFCC ref method assignment of accurate  $A\beta_{1-42}$  concentrations to planned CSF-based standard reference material
- The 4 centers have committed to a follow-up interlab study, as part of an IFCC/IRMM guided-study effort, that is planned and there are individual studies completed addressing areas of interest:
  - Calibrator matrix comparison studies
  - CSF stability
- The mrm/tandem mass spectrometry-based methodology with high conc GuHCl followed by mixed-bed (ion exchange/RP) cartridge sample preparation is a suitable candidate reference method for assigning accurate and precise  $A\beta_{1-42}$  values on CSF-based reference material.

## Next steps

- Use the IRMM preparation of A $\beta_{1-42}$ 
  - Pilot: 2 lab (UGot and UPenn) study using 10 CSF pools prepared at UPenn→lab to lab comparison, just completed
  - Prliminary testing of the IRMM dilution protocol
  - conduct the full IRMM guided "ring" trial
    - Compare across participating centers
    - Use gravimetric protocol for preparation of calibrators and include calibrators prepared by individual lab protocol in the two replicate runs
    - 20 patient CSFs, a set of neat and spiked CSFs
    - Statistical analyses
    - Report results
  - Use these qualified methods for assignment of concentration to the CSF pools for creation of reference materials
- Applications of mass spectrometry-based  $A\beta_{1-42}$  analysis:
  - Comparisons to existing and new immunoassays including analytical performance and clinical performance
  - Provides an accuracy-based "anchor" in methods comparisons
  - Studies in various patient populations of  $A\beta_{1-42}$ , and various metabolites for assessment of age and or disease related changes in metabolism

# Applications of mass spectrometry-based $A\beta_{1-42}$ analysis-comparison of clinical performance to an existing immunoassay

41 autopsy-proven AD cases and 41 living age- and gender-matched controls\*



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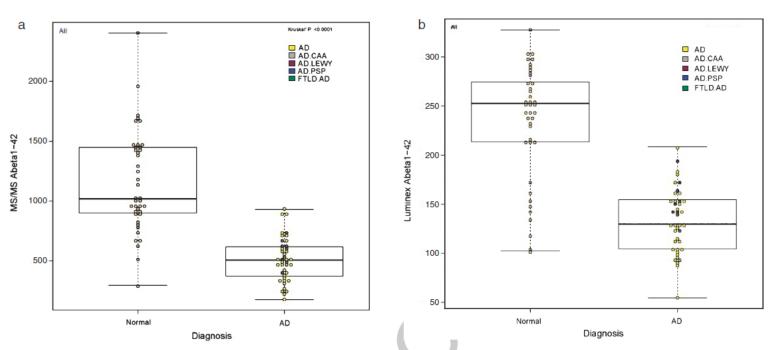
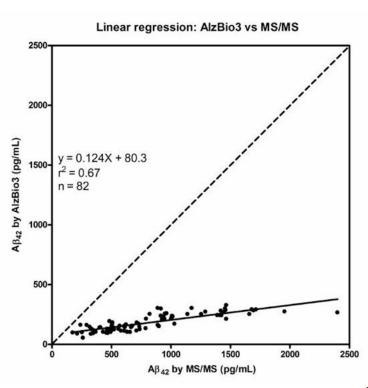


Fig. 3. Distribution of  $A\beta_{42}$  results in the group of 41 autopsy proven Alzheimer's disease subjects and 41 age matched control group; A) 2D-UPLC-MS-MS, B) AlzBio3 Luminex.

<sup>\*</sup>same population as described in AoN 2009

#### Analytical comparison

#### Clinical utility comparison



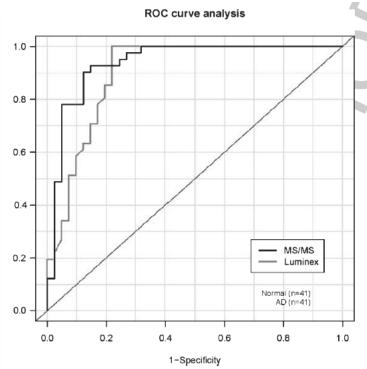


Fig. 4. Comparison of ROC curves for 2D-UPLC-MS-MS and AlzBio3 Luminex. The ROC AUC value for 2D-UPLC-MS-MS was 0.938, and for AlzBio3 Luminex immunoassay the AUC value was 0.900.

#### **ROC analyses**

Clinical performance using 41 AD, 41 cog normal controls:

Sensitivity: 92.7%

Specificity: 85.4%

PPV: 86.4%

NPV: 92.1%

Test accuracy: 89%

AUC: 0.94

Clinical performance using the same

41 AD and 41 controls for the AlzBio3

Immunoassay:

	2009 AoN
Sensitivity: 100%	(96.4%)
Specificity: 78%	(76.9%)
PPV:82%	(82%)
NPV:100%	(95.2%)
Test accuracy: 89%	(87%)
AUC: 0.90	(0.91)

## Two candidate ref methods (UGot and UPenn)

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#### Mass Spectrometry–Based Candidate Reference Measurement Procedure for Quantification of Amyloid- $oldsymbol{eta}$ in Cerebrospinal Fluid

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Qualification of a Surrogate Matrix-Based Absolute Quantification Method for Amyloid-β<sub>42</sub> in Human Cerebrospinal Fluid

Using 2D UPLC-Tandem Mass Spectrometry

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- Two candidate ref methods
- 10 CSF pools provided by UPENN
- 3 replicate runs
- Used  $A\beta_{1-42}$  prep provided by IRMM for the Ring trial & each lab used their calibration dilution protocol.

