

# Validation of Qualitative Screening Methods

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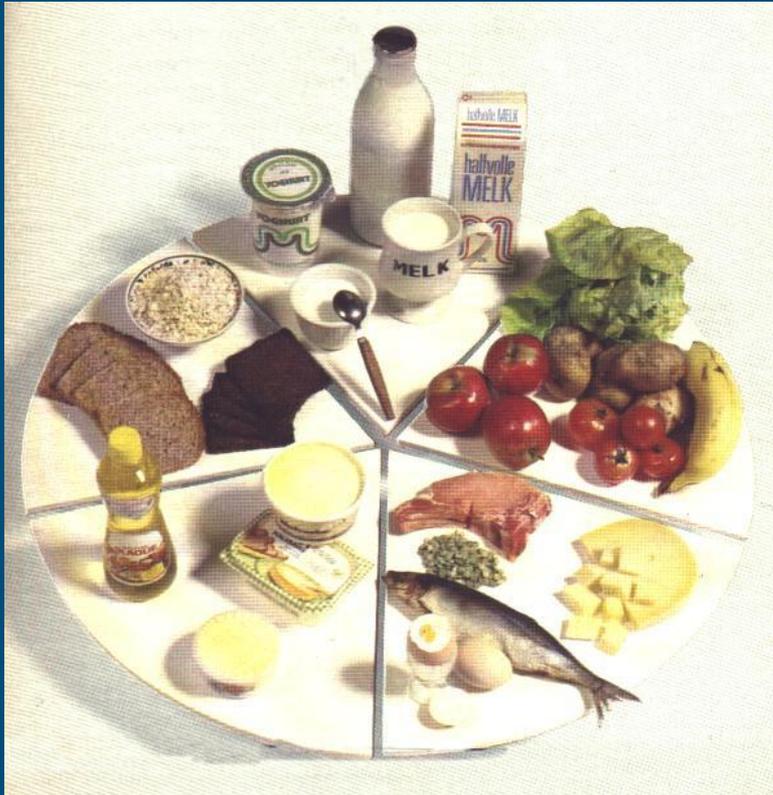
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# The pesticide residue issue



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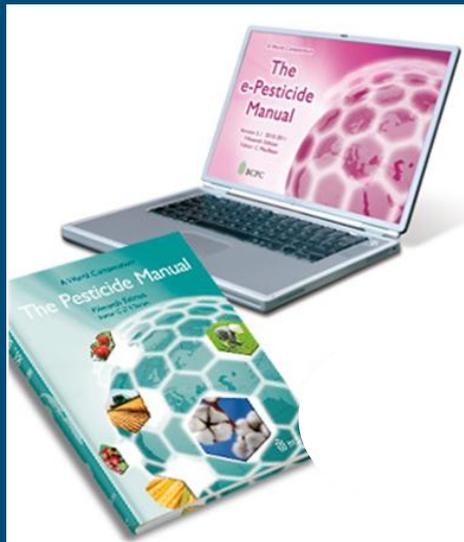
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# Pesticide analysis: the analytical challenge



Pesticide Manual: 1436 pesticides (excl. metabolites)  
908 main entries + 528 superseded

380 defined commodities  
(excl. 'others')



EU Pesticides database

>1200 entries

Active substances

Registered: 366  
Out: 813  
Pending: 61

Directive 91/414/EEC

Active substance

Active substance updated on 16/09/2009



Directorate General for  
Health & Consumers

Pesticide EU-MRLs

Regulation (EC) No 396/2005

Products

Pesticides

MRLs updated on 10/09/2009

>152,000 MRLs set (0.01 mg/kg for all others)

# Current practice: quantitative multi-methods

Sample prep

Generic multi-residue  
extraction/clean up procedure

Analysis

GC-MS (SIM), GC-MS/MS  
LC-MS/MS

scope: ever expanding  
200-400 pesticides

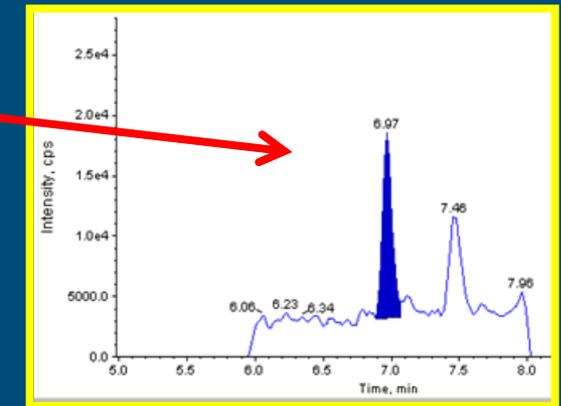
Data review

Manual verification of peak  
assignment and integration

Calibration/linearity  
Stability of response  
Matrix effects  
Recovery  
Ion ratios/spectra

Validation +  
On-going AQC

Various matrices, levels  
Recoveries, reproducibility  
Measurement uncertainty



effort & time increase  
with # pesticides,  
limiting factor  
in throughput

# How many residues are actually being found?

Latin American products imported in EU and analyzed in EU labs\*

## Uruguay



### 27 pesticides found in 10 products:

Imazalil  
ortho-phenylphenol  
Prochloraz  
Thiabendazole  
Chlorpyrifos  
Iprodione  
Carbaryl  
Azinphos-methyl  
2,4-D  
Captan  
Carbendazim  
Methidathion

## Colombia



### 52 pesticides found in 12 products:

Thiabendazole	Captan
Imazalil	Carbofuran
Azoxystrobin	Chlorfenapyr
Carbendazim	Deltamethrin
Difenoconazole	Fenhexamid
Chlorpyrifos	Fentin
Monocrotophos	Imidacloprid
Cypermethrin	Procymidone
Iprodione,	Propamocarb
Myclobutanil	Tetradifon
lambda-Cyhalothrin	Carbaryl
Folpet	Carbofuran, 3-OH
Pyrimethanil	Chlorothalonil
Methamidophos	Dimethoate
Tebuconazole	Dimethomorph
Bitertanol	Malathion
Dithiocarbamates	Omethoate

## Brazil



### 78 pesticides found in 19 products:

Prochloraz	Ethephon	Pyrimethanil
Imazalil	Gibberellic acid (GA3)	Thiamethoxam
Thiabendazole	Omethoate	Triflumuron
Azoxystrobin	ortho-phenylphenol	Carbofuran, 3-OH
Carbendazim	Phosmet	Chlorfenapyr
Tebuconazole	Captan	Copper
Famoxadone	Carbofuran	lambda-Cyhalothrin
Iprodione	Chlorpyrifos	Cyproconazole
Imidacloprid	Difenoconazole	Dithiocarbamates
Myclobutanil	Dimethomorph	Dodine
Dimethoate	2,4-D	Fenarimol
Pyraclostrobin	Acetamiprid	Fenhexamid
Boscalid	Bifenthrin	Permethrin
Kresoxim-Methyl	Carbaryl	Tebufenozide
Methidathion	Clothianidin	Thiacloprid
Thiophanate-methyl	Cypermethrin	Triadimefon
Zoxamide	Procymidone	Triadimenol

\*Pesticides found at > 0.01 mg/kg, 2007-2010

[www.pesticides-online.de](http://www.pesticides-online.de) (CVUA Stuttgart, Germany)

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Manual verification peak

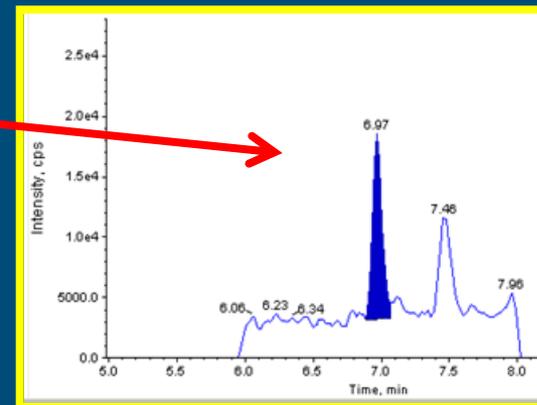
# STOP

doing all this for pesticides seldom found  
is a waste of effort and time !

Validation +  
On-going AQC

Various matrices, levels  
Recoveries, reproducibility  
Measurement uncertainty

scope: ever expanding  
200-400 pesticides



effort & time increase  
with # pesticides,  
limiting factor  
in throughput

# Maybe less is better.....

Quantitative methods:

focus on frequently occurring/relevant pesticides (25-75)

## Prioritize!

Historic perspective: residues/MRL violations found before

Legislative perspective: registered pesticides

Usage perspective: sales/application records

Health perspective: acute toxic pesticides, exceedance of ARfD

Or a smart combination of the above....

# Or maybe not.....?

Historic perspective: residue data from past cannot be extrapolated to future

Legislative perspective: use of non-registered (illegal) pesticides ?

Usage perspective: reliability of sales/application records ?

Health perspective: to the consumer any MRL violation is a health issue

Or the worst combination of the above...

>1000 pesticides not likely to occur, but you are never sure  
and if they are present we want to know about it!

⇒ **Establish fast qualitative screening method**

# What is a screening method ?

**General:** fast, easy, low-tech, low cost, 1 analyte, 1000s samples

**Technique:** dipstick, sensors (immuno assays)  
cut-off at MRL

**Purpose:** test MRL compliance

Increase efficiency,  
reduce workload / need for laborious confirmatory methods

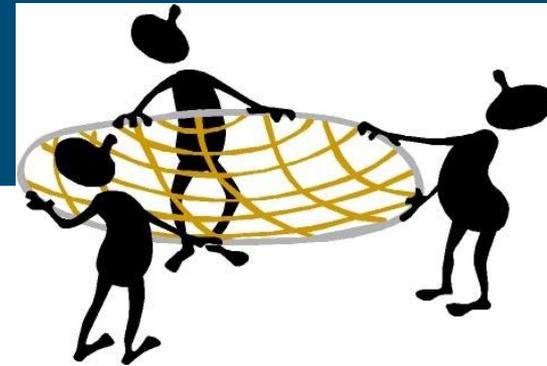


**Pesticides:** fast, high-tech, >500 pesticides, 100s samples

**Technique:** chemical methods (chromatography), cut-off at 0.01 mg/kg

**Purpose:** demonstrate absence/presence unexpected pesticides

Increase efficiency, reduce # pesticides  
in quantitative (multi) methods



# Outline of qualitative pesticide screening method

Sample prep

Generic multi-residue  
extraction/clean up procedure

Analysis

GC-**full scan MS** (single quad, IT, TOF)  
LC-**full scan MS** (TOF, Orbitrap)

Data review

> 500 pesticides.....  
⇒ Only efficient when automated !

⇒ key role for software  
in the overall method

Validation +  
On-going AQC

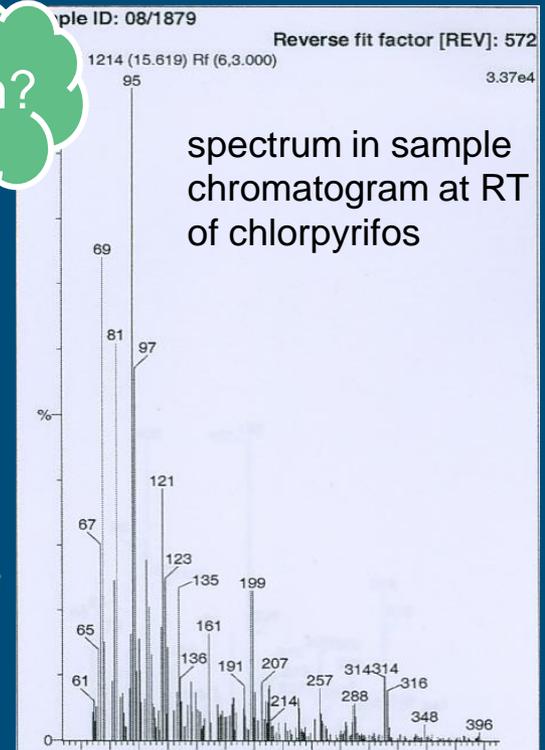
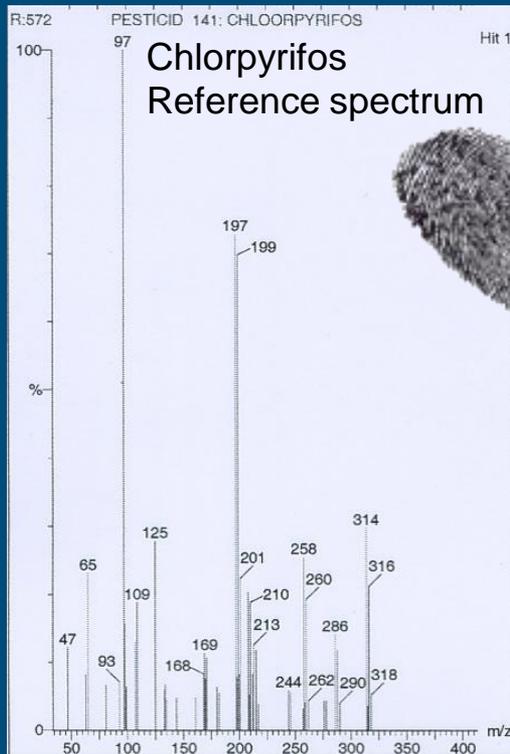
Procedures only very recently included in  
EU guideline  
⇒ Only meaningful for monitoring &  
enforcement when reliability is known

validation of  
qualitative screening

# Automated detection by software

Example: GC-single quad MS, full scan acquisition

Comparison of spectra from raw data with reference spectra from library



# Automated detection by software

Example automated library-based detection (DRS, Agilent\*):  
Software + dedicated target library (926 compounds: spectra + RT)

Automatically performs:

- data pre-processing: deconvolution
- matching of experimental spectra / RT against library spectra / RT
- summary report of compounds detected

## MSD Deconvolution Report

Sample Name: std M272/M205 100v

Data File: C:\Documents and Settings\lfs-wylliep\My Documents\My GC\_MS Data\Hans Moll Pesticide Analysis\Hans Mol Jan 2006\Mol\_Data.D

Date/Time: 11:59 AM Tuesday, May 9 2006

The NIST library was searched for the components that were found in the AMDIS target library.

R.T.	Cas #	Compound Name	Agilent	AMDIS		NIST	
			ChemStation Amount (ng)	Match	R.T. Diff sec.	Reverse Match	Hit Num.
9.705	23560590	Heptenophos	0	85	-1.7	82	1
10.330	1918167	Propachlor	0	97	-1.4	94	1
10.3528	114261	Propoxur		93	-0.4	89	3
10.5452	122394	Diphenylamine		96	1.7	92	1
10.713	13194484	Ethoprophos	0	95	-1.5	91	1
11.1186	101213	Chlorpropham		87	4.4	80	2
11.263	4710172	Dichlofluanid metabolite (DMSA)	0	92	6.8	89	1

\*<http://www.chem.agilent.com/Library/applications/5989-5076EN.pdf>

# Automated detection by software

⇒ Method optimization extends to software

Analysis Settings

Identif. | Instrument | Deconv. | Libraries | QA/QC

45 Minimum match factor

Multiple identifications per compound

Show standards  Only reverse search

Type of analysis: Use RI Calibration Data

Use retention index (RI) for column: Nonpolar

RI window: 30 0 x 0.01 RI

Match factor penalties:

Level: Infinite 100 Maximum penalty

10 No RI in library

Save Save As... Cancel Default Help

Analysis Settings

Identif. | Instrument | Deconv. | Libraries | QA/QC

Low m/z:  Auto Threshold: 40 Off

High m/z:  Auto 550

Scan direction: High to Low Data file format: Agilent Files

Instrument type: Quadrupole

Set Default Instrument...

Save Save As... Cancel Default Help

Analysis Settings

Identif. | Instrument | Deconv. | Libraries | QA/QC

12 Component width

Omit m/z

Adjacent peak subtraction: One

Resolution: Medium

Sensitivity: High

Shape requirements: Medium

Save Save As... Cancel Default Help

Settings/thresholds too strict: many false negatives

Too loose: many tentative detects needing further follow up (time/effort)

Optimization = compromise between the two

# Validation of qualitative screening

EU guidance document for pesticides:

**METHOD VALIDATION AND  
QUALITY CONTROL PROCEDURES  
FOR  
PESTICIDE RESIDUES ANALYSIS IN  
FOOD AND FEED**

Document No. SANCO/10684/2009

Supersedes Document No. SANCO/3131/2007

Implemented by 01/01/2010

# Validation of qualitative screening: concept

## Initial validation:

To be performed for each pesticide, for each commodity group

### high water

pears, peach, apples  
lettuce, leeks, tomato  
peppers, melon  
cabbage, carrots  
beet root

### high water/acid

citrus fruits,  
grapes, berries  
pineapple  
kiwi

### high starch/protein low fat/water

cereals  
pulses  
dry beans

### high oil

tree nuts  
oil seeds  
avocado  
olives

high sugar/low water  
dried fruits (raisins etc)  
fruit jams

honey

meat

dairy

egg

unique/difficult  
tea, coffee  
cocoa, spices  
hops

20 different products (or 10 products in duplicate)

- free of pesticides (blanks)
- spiked at anticipated SRL

## On-going AQC:

During routine analysis:

- spike 1 or more routine sample(s) with pesticides at SRL (e.g. in rolling program)

# Validation of qualitative screening

## Data evaluation:

Spiked samples: for each pesticide within a commodity group: count # false negatives  
Control samples: count # of tentative detects

## Criteria:

**Focus is on false negatives:  $\leq 5\%$**

# tentative detects in control samples: no criterion, assuming follow up

## On-going AQC:

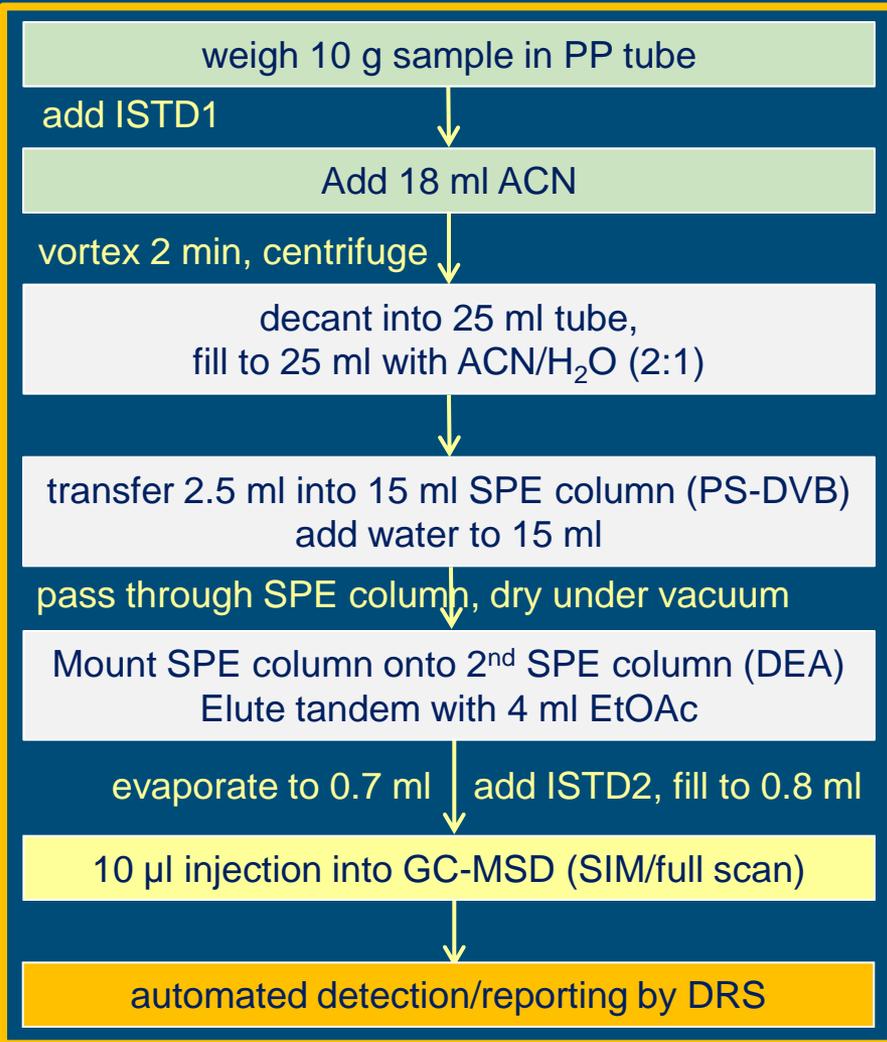
Re-assessment of false negatives over time, including other products

## What if false negatives $> 5\%$ ?

Adjust method or repeat at higher level

**Aim validation: establish at which level 95% confidence is obtained**

# Validation in practice (1)



## Retrospective validation:

veg/fruit extracts from routine  
12 months, ~40 sequences  
spiked with 94 pest/deg products  
0.01, 0.02, 0.2, 0.5 mg/kg

Match threshold: 60

RT tolerance: ± 30 sec

# Overview of pesticides found per sequence

date ddmmyy	matrix (0.01 mg/kg)	# pest found out of 94	date ddmmyy	matrix (0.01 mg/kg)	# pest found out of 94
010210	mandarine	42	160710	pepper green	64
150311	lettuce lamb's	48	191010	grape	64
301210	mandarine	50	230710	cucumber	64
100610	cabbage	53	010310	raspberry	65
080610	watermelon	55	080710	watermelon	66
091210	pepper green	55	200510	lettuce	66
170211	beet red in vinegar	56	261110	cabbage	66
031210	pear	57	241110	strawberry	68
300610	lettuce	57	110510	apple	72
180810	pepper green	58	180111	beet	73
020610	strawberry	60	080910	grape	74
151010	lemon	60	081010	lettuce(chichory)	74
201210	apple	60	280111	mandarine	74
290710	melon	60	011010	grape	75
030810	lettuce	61	050510	kiwi	75
021110	lettuce(chichory)	62	010410	apple	76
090810	aubergine	62	270810	apple	77
180610	grape	62	160910	pepper green	79
020311	banana	63	210910	apple	81
110211	orange	63	230410	lettuce	82
160410	leek	64			

Spike level: 0.01 mg/kg

Lower performance for more complex matrices, but variation in time (condition of GC) also affects performance

# Performance at individual pesticide level

## Assessment of reliability

	various vegetables/fruits (incl. high acid)			
	0.01 mg/kg	0.02 mg/kg	0.2 mg/kg	0.5 mg/kg
N	41	40	41	40
confidence level	# out of 94 compounds tested			
>95%	21	43	85	89
>90%	34	57	91	92
50-90%	35	31	3	2
<50%	25	6	0	0

>95% at 0.01 mg/kg		<50% at 0.01 mg/kg	
Bifenthrin	100	Atrazine	49
Diflufenican	100	Bromophos	46
Fenamidone	100	Chlorpropham	46
Quinoxifen	100	Epoxiconazole	46
Tolclofos-methyl	100	Cyproconazole	44
Dichlobenil	98	Fipronil	44
Diazinon	98	Benfuracarb	41
Dimethenamid	98	Carbofuran-7-phenol	41
Diphenylamine	98	Cinidon-ethyl	41
Flufenacet	98	Fenbuconazole	41
Iprobenfos	98	1-naphthalenol	39
Mepronil	98	Propiconazole	39
Pirimiphos-ethyl	98	Phthalimide	37
Pyridaben	98	Dimethomorph	34
Quinalphos	98	Flurochloridone	32
Spiromesifen	98	Tetrahydrophthalimide	29
Benfluralin	95	Pyrifenoxy	22
Fenchlorphos-oxon	95	Nitrofen	20
Flutolanil	95	Esfenvalerate	15
Terbuthylazine	95	Profenofos	12
Tetrachlorvinphos	95	Quinoclamine	12
		Tebuconazole	10
		Dicloran	7
		Parathion	7
		Pentachloronitrobenzene	2

## Reasons for false negatives:

- Insufficient selectivity
- Insufficient sensitivity
- **Shortcomings in automated detection**

# Validation in practice (2)

Enforcement GAP through analysis of pre-harvest samples  
⇒ leaves

weigh 2.5 g sample in PP tube

add ISTD

add 10 ml ACN/1% HAc

vortex 3 min

Add 4 g  $\text{MgSO}_4$  + 1 g NaAc

vortex 1 min, centrifuge

transfer 0.5 ml into eppendorf tube containing  
25 mg PSA + 150 mg  $\text{MgSO}_4$

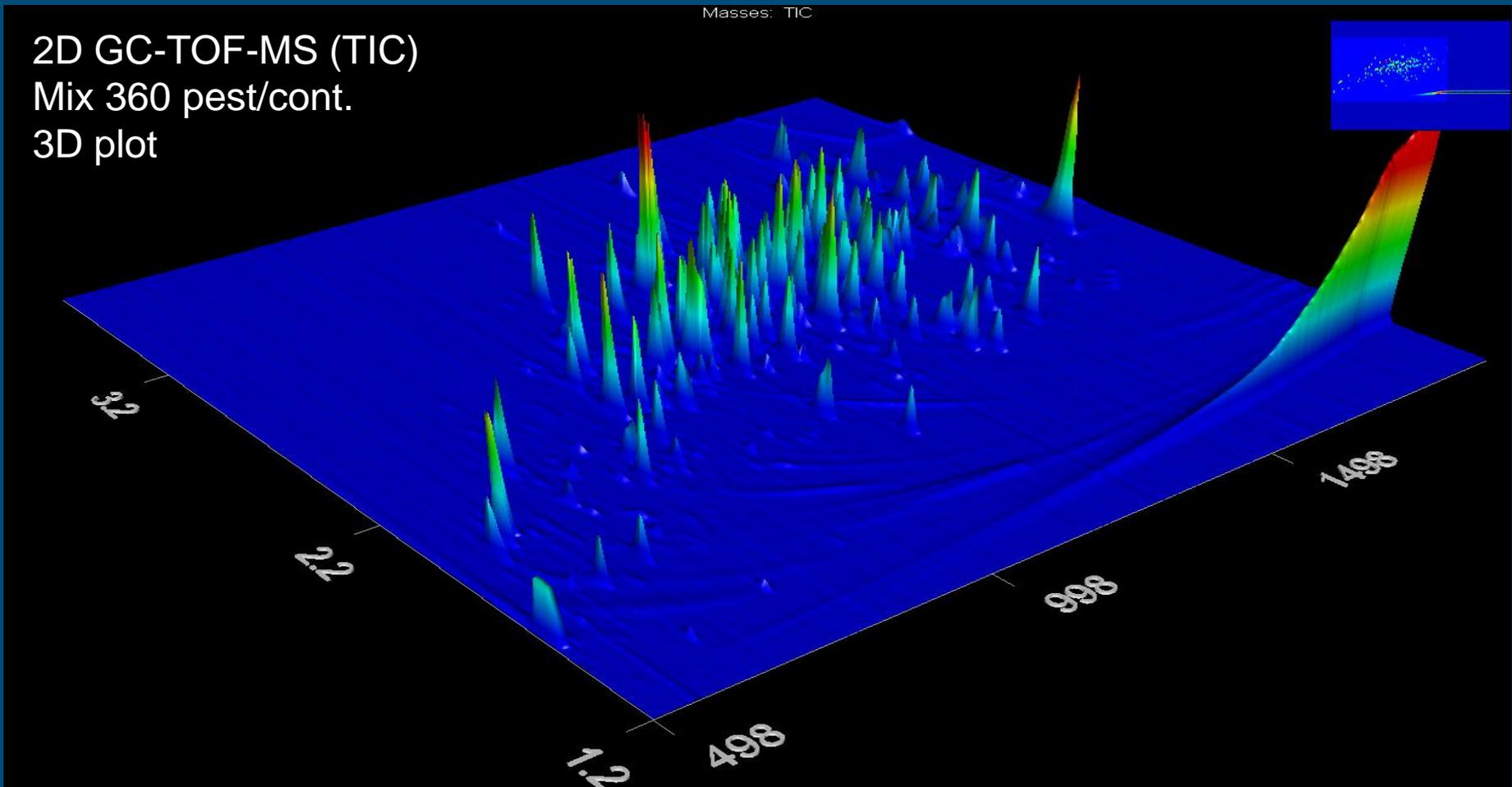
vortex 2 min, centrifuge

10  $\mu\text{l}$  injection into GCxGC-TOF-MS (full scan)

automated detection/reporting by ChromaTOF  
Library: 814 pesticides + some env.cont.

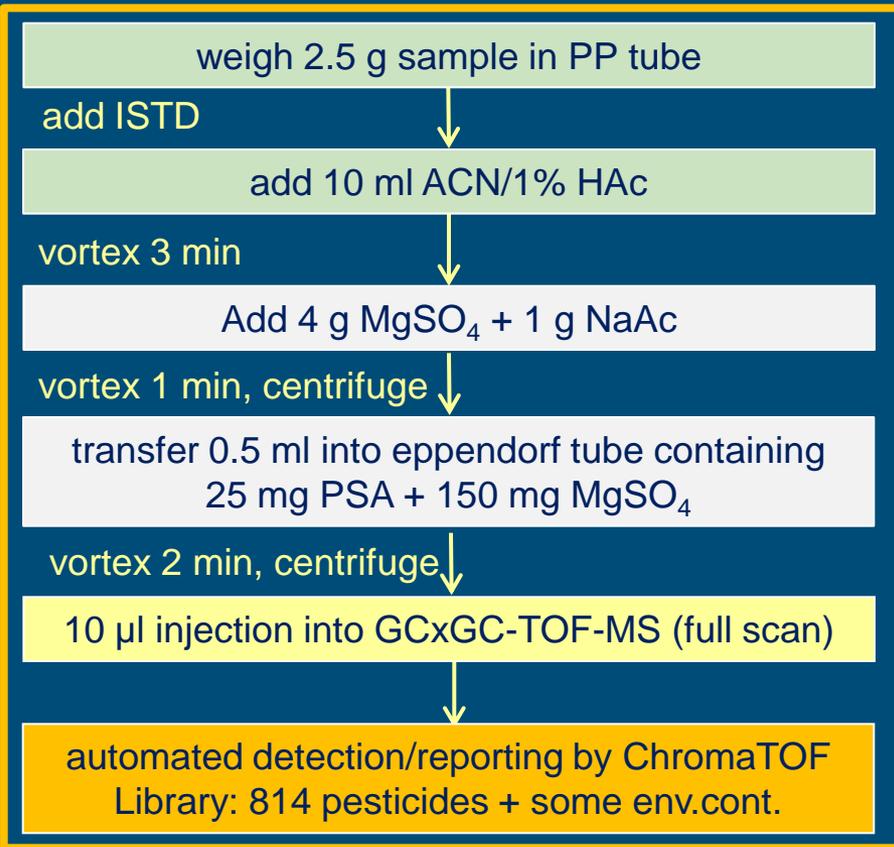
# GCxGC-TOF-MS analysis

2D GC-TOF-MS (TIC)  
Mix 360 pest/cont.  
3D plot



# Validation in practice (2)

Enforcement GAP through  
analysis of pre-harvest samples  
⇒ leaves



## Initial validation :

11 types of leaves, 2x analyzed  
Control + spiked at 0.01 mg/kg  
235 pesticides

## On-going AQC

18 months, 31 sequences  
Fixed QC (rose) 0.05 and 0.2 mg/kg  
Random QC 0.05 mg/kg  
235 pesticides

Match threshold: 600

RT tolerance: ± 20 sec

# Overview of pesticides found per sequence

0.05 mg/kg level

Overview suggest improved performance after 2008

No clear effect of matrix

Varying performance for same type of matrix in time

year	seq.	product class	leaf matrix (0.05 mg/kg)	# pest found out of 235
2009	23	vegetables	potato	155
2010	21	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	162
2008	29	ornamentals	rose	165
2008	30	ornamentals	lisianthus (Estoma)	175
2009	5	ornamentals	geranium	175
2010	13	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	184
2008	27	ornamentals	rose	186
2009	4	ornamentals	tulip	188
2010	4	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	188
2008	27	ornamentals	rose	192
2009	2	ornamentals	anthurium	195
2008	29	ornamentals	rose	196
2009	11	vegetables	carrot	196
2009	1	ornamentals	spathiphyllum	201
2009	9	ornamentals	tagetes	201
2009	7	ornamentals	viola	202
2010	3	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	205
2010	6	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	206
2009	8	ornamentals	anthurium	207
2010	12	ornamentals	tulip	210
2010	21	vegetables	cabbage (white)	211
2009	16	ornamentals (als	sorghum sudan grass	212
2009	12	lawn	grass	213
2009	21	weed	nettle (Urtica)	214
2009	21	weed	nettle (Urtica)	214
2010	20	ornamentals	crocus	214
2010	8	vegetables	leek	216
2009	31	golf course	grass	218
2010	15	ornamentals	chrysanth (Chrysanthemum)	218
2009	32	vegetables	tomato	219
2010	8	ornamentals	tulip	223

# Performance at individual pesticide level

## Assessment of reliability for each pesticide

	various leaves		QC leaf	QC leaf
	0.01 mg/kg	0.05 mg/kg	0.05 mg/kg	0.20 mg/kg
N	22	31	28	62
confidence level	# out of 235 compounds tested			
>95%	83	92	128	185
>90%	100	147	147	197
50-90%	75	65	65	29
<50%	60	23	23	9

### General reasons for false negatives:

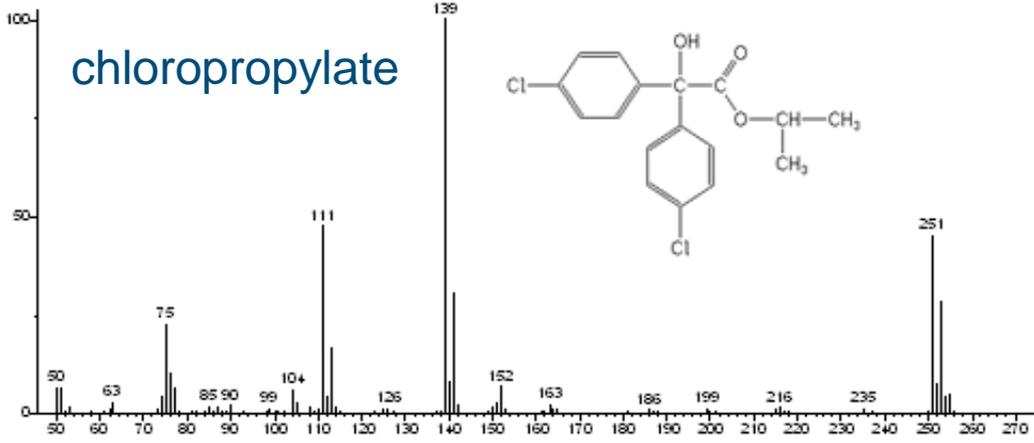
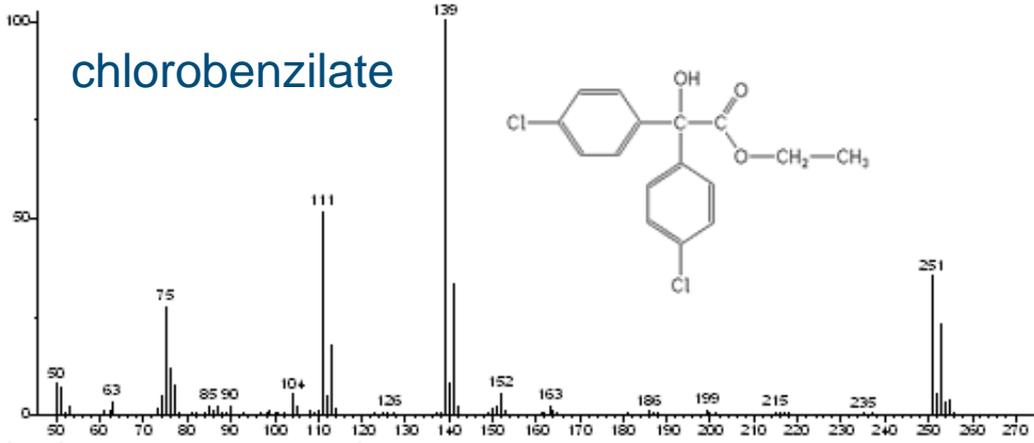
- Insufficient sensitivity  
troublesome GC compounds: degradation, tailing
- Insufficient selectivity
- **Shortcomings in automated detection**

### < 50% at 0.05 mg/kg

Acephate	48
Demeton-S-methyl	48
Metobromuron	48
Monocrotophos	48
Deltamethrin	45
Dimefox	45
Chlorthion	42
Omethoate	42
Pentachlor	42
Cyromazine	39
Paraoxon	39
Linuron	35
Demeton-O	29
Chlorbromuron	16
Oxamyl	16
Chlorpropylate	13 ?
Dazomet	13
Tebuthiuron	10
Ethoxyquin	6
Chlorthiamid	6
Aziprotryne	0
Benfuracarb	0
Chlordecone	0

# Chloropropylate failure

chlorobenzilate/chloropropylate  
only 5 sec RT difference  
(dicofol well separated)



# Qualitative screening: possibilities & challenges

- + Once method is established: little time/effort to detect >500 pesticides
- + More comprehensive than quantitative methods:  
extra pesticides are being found in addition to quantitative method
- + Provides safety net for unexpected residues

? Can you use the results to demonstrate absence of residues:  
yes, but only after proper and successful validation

- Safety net but not yet for all pesticides at low (0.01 mg/kg) level



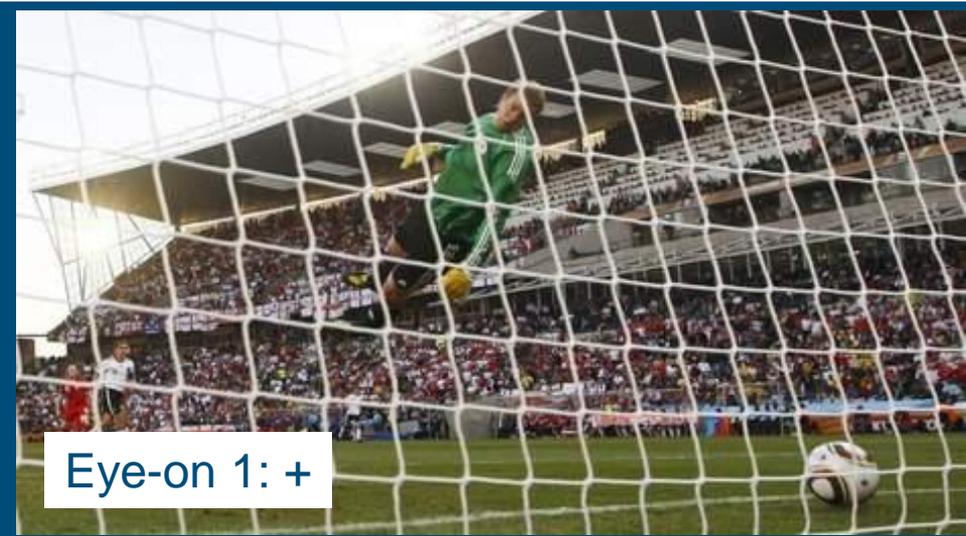
hardware  
software

! vendor solutions: very useful  
but pesticides screening  $\neq$  black box  
skilled personnel essential

Screening performance heavily relies on software capabilities and well optimized thresholds; even then expert judgment outperforms technology  
But even experts are not perfect.....:

# World cup football 2010

## Germany – England: goal detected or not ?



Eye-on 1: +



Eye-on 2: +



Expert judgment: -



Eye-on 3: -



Gracias traductor !

Gracias por su atención



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# Validation in practice (1): pesticides included

Acrinathrin	Dimethenamid	Mepronil	Propiconazole
Atrazine	Dimethomorph	Metazachlor	Prosulfocarb
Azoxystrobin	Dimoxystrobin	Methidathion	Pyraflufen-ethyl
Benfluralin	Diphenylamine	Methyl parathion	Pyridaben
Benfuracarb	<i>DMSA</i>	Metolachlor	Pyridaphenthion
Bifenthrin	Epoxiconazole	Metrafenone	Pyrifenox
Boscalid	Esfenvalerate	<i>1-naphthalenol</i>	Pyriproxyfen
Bromophos	Ethion	Napropamide	Quinalphos
Buprofezin	<i>Ethofumasate, 2-keto-</i>	Nitrofen	Quinoclamine
<i>Carbofuran-7-phenol</i>	Fenamidone	Parathion	Quinoxifen
Chlorfenvinphos	Fenarimol	Penconazole	Resmethrine
<i>3-chloroaniline</i>	Fenbuconazole	<i>Pentachloroaniline</i>	Spirodiclofen
Chlorobenzilate	Fenchlorphos	<i>Pentachloronitrobenzene</i>	Spiromesifen
Chlorpropham	<i>Fenchlorphos-oxon</i>	Permethrin	Tebuconazole
Cinidon-ethyl	Fenothiocarb	Phosalone	Tefluthrin
Clomazone	Fepropimorph	Phosmet	Terbutylazine
Coumaphos	Fipronil	ortho-Phenylphenol	Tetrachlorvinphos
Cyproconazole	<i>Fipronil-sulfone</i>	<i>Phthalimide</i>	Tetraconazole
Diazinon	Flufenacet	Pirimiphos-ethyl	<i>Tetrahydrophthalimide, cis-1,2,3,6-</i>
Dichlobenil	Flurochloridone	Pirimiphos-methyl	Tetramethrin
Dicloran	Flutolanil	Profenofos	Tolclofos-methyl
<i>4,4'-Dichlorobenzophenone</i>	Flutriafol	Prometryn	Tolyfluanid
Diflufenican	Iprobenfos	Propetamphos	
Dimethachlor	Mecarbam	Propham	

# Software settings for automated detection

Effect of match threshold on # detects in blanks and false negatives

Match threshold	# detects in control leaves	% pest found at 0.01 mg/kg
> 400	474	84
> 500	161	79
> 600	53	71
> 700	2	58
> 800	0	35
> 900	0	7

# compounds found in 11 control samples

Compound	601-700
Cinerin II	10
Fenobucarb	10
Thanite	7
Cinerin I	5
Isoprocarb	5
Jasmolin I	4
Methanimidamide N-(24-	2
Pyrethrin I	2
Benzo(a)pyrene	1
Bifenthrin	1
Carbofuran	1
Carbofuran, 3-hydroxy	1

% detected out of 5170 pest\*matrix combinations (235 spiked pesticides in 2\*11 samples)

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Independent research institute  
Statutory task for Dutch government

EURL hormones and sedatives

NRL **pest-AO**, mycotoxins, marine toxins,  
vet. drugs, dioxins, PAHs, heavy metals, ...

OFL **pesticides in feed/AO/pre-harvest**

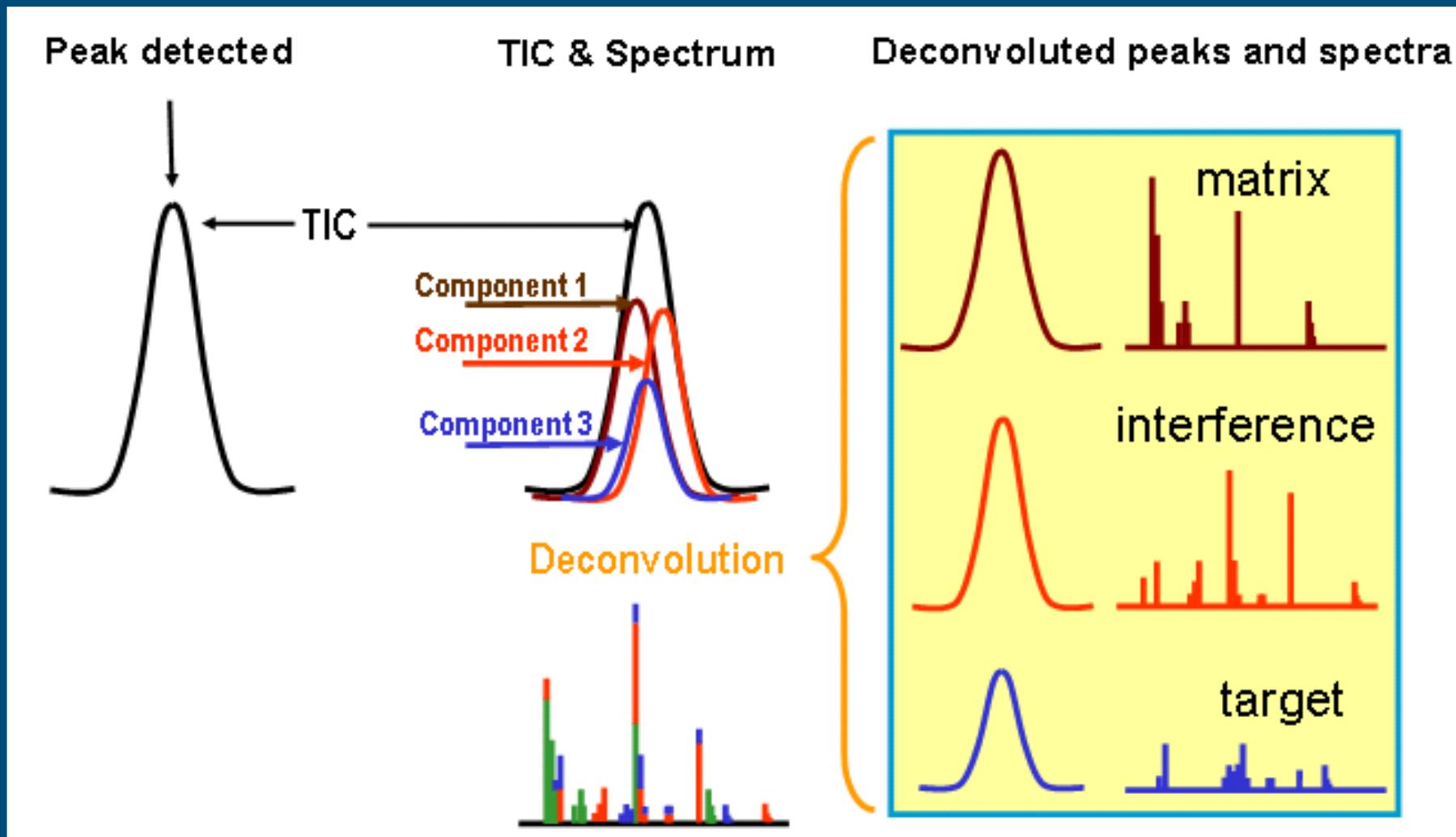
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# Validation in practice (2): 235 pesticides included

Acephate	Chlormephos	Dicofol metabolite (4,4-Dic	Fluazifop-butyl	Oxadixyl	Pyrimethanil
Alachlor	Chlorobenzilate	Dicrotophos	Flusilazole	Oxamyl	Quinalphos
Aldrin	Chloropropylate	Dieldrin	tau-Fluvalinate	Oxychlorthane	Quintozone
Ametryn	Chlorpropham	Diethyl-ethyl	Fonofos	Paclobutrazol	Quizalofop-ethyl
Antraquinone	Chlorpyrifos	Difenoconazole	Formothion	Paraoxon	Simazine
Atrazine	Chlorpyrifos-methyl	Dimefox	Fuberidazole	Parathion	Sulfotep
Azinphos-ethyl	Chlorthiamid	Dimethachlor	Furalaxyl	Parathion-methyl	Sulprofos
Azinphos-methyl	Chlorthion	Dimethipin	HCB	PCB 209	o,p'-TDE (DDD)
Aziprotryne	Chlorthiophos	Dimethoate	alpha-HCH	Penconazole	p,p'-TDE (DDD)
Azolamide	Chlozolinate	Dioxathion	delta-HCH	Pendimethalin	Tebuthiuron
Barban	Coumaphos	Diphenylamine	gamma-HCH (Lindane)	Pentachloraniline	Tecnazene
Benalaxyl	Crimidine	Disulfoton	Heptachlor	Pentachloroanisole	Telodrin
Bendiocarb	Crotoxyphos	Ditalimfos	Heptachlor epoxide (iso A)	Pentachlorobenzene	Terbacil
Benfuracarb	Crufomate	Dodemorph	Heptachlor epoxide (iso B)	Pentanochlor	Terbufos
Benodanil	Cyanazine	Edifenphos	Imazalil	Permethrin I	Terbutylazine
Benzoylprop-ethyl	Cyanofenphos	alpha-Endosulfan	Isodrin	Phenothrin	Terbutryn
Bifenthrin	Cyanophos	beta-Endosulfan	Isofenphos	Phenothrin	Tetrachlorvinphos
Bitertanol	Cycloate	Endosulfan ether	Jodfenphos	Phenthoate	Tetradifon
Bromacil	Cyfluthrin (isomer cluster)	Endosulfan lactone	Lenacil	ortho-Phenylphenol	Tetramethrin
Bromfenvinphos	Cypermethrin (isomer cluster)	Endosulfan sulphate	Leptophos	Phorate	Tetrasul
Bromfenvinphos	Cyprofuram	Endrin	Linuron	Phosalone	Thiabendazole
Bromophos-ethyl	Cyromazine	EPTC	Malathion	Phosphamidon	Thiobencarb
Bromopropylate	Dazomet	Ethiofencarb	Malathion-oxon (Malaoxon)	Piperonyl butoxide	Thiometon
Bupirimate	o,p'-DDE	Ethion	Mecarbam	Pirimicarb	Thionazin
Buprofezin	p,p'-DDE	Ethofumesate	Metalaxyl	Pirimiphos-ethyl	THP (Captan Captafol me
Butralin	o,p'-DDT	Ethoprophos	Metazachlor	Pirimiphos-methyl	Tolclofos-methyl
Carbaryl	p,p'-DDT	Ethoxyquin	Methacrifos	Prochloraz	Triadimefon
Carbetamide	Deltamethrin trans	Etridiazole	Methamidophos	Procymidone	Triadimenol
Carbofuran	Deltamethrin cis	Fenamiphos	Methidathion	Profenofos	Triallate
Carbophenothion	Demeton-O	Fenarimol	Methiocarb	Propachlor	Triazophos
Chinomethionat	Demeton-S-methyl	Fenchlorphos	Methoxychlor	Propargite	Trichloronat
Chlorbenside	Demeton-S-methyl-sulfone	Fenfuram	Metobromuron	Propazine	Trietazine
Chlorbromuron	Desmetryn	Fenitrothion	Metolachlor	Propetamphos	Trifenmorph
Chlorbufam	Diallate	Fenprophathrin	Metribuzin	Propham	Triflumizole
trans-Chlordane	Diallate	Fenson	Mevinphos	Propiconazole	Trifluralin
Chlordecone	Diazinon	Fensulfthion	Mirex	Propoxur	2,3,5-Trimethacarb
Chlordimeform	Dichlobenil	Fenthion	Monocrotophos	Propyzamide	3,4,5-Trimethacarb
Chlorfenprop-methyl	Dichlofenthion	Fenvalerate	Monolinuron	Prothiofos	Vernolate
Chlorfenson	Dichlorvos	Fenvalerate	Myclobutanil	Pyrazophos	Vinclozolin
Chlorfenvinphos	Diclobutrazol	Flamprop-isopropyl	Norflurazon	Pyridaben	
Chloridazon	Dicloran	Flamprop-methyl	Omethoate	Pyridaphenthion	

# Deconvolution



# Validation of qualitative screening

## Data evaluation:

Spiked samples: for each pesticide within a commodity group: count # false negatives

Control samples: count # of provisional detects

## Criteria:

**Focus on false negatives:  $\leq 5\%$**

Initial validation: pesticide should be automatically detected in 19 out of 20 samples

# detects in control samples: no criterion, assuming follow up of detects!

But: many detects compromise efficiency of screening method

## On-going AQC:

Re-assessment of false negatives over time, including other products

What if false negatives  $> 5\%$ ?

Adjust method or repeat at higher level

**Aim validation: establish at which level 95% confidence is obtained**