

Agilent MassHunter Quantitative Data Analysis

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MassHunter Quantitation: Batch Table, Compound Information Setup, Calibration Curve and Globals Settings

MassHunter Quantitative Software Review and Quant Method Optimization

Topics

- Brief Review
- Batch Table Navigation
- Compound Information
 - Data review and manual integration
- Calibration Curve
- Working in Compounds At a Glance
- Method Editor Globals Setting

Review

Three major views in MassHunter Quantitative Analysis.

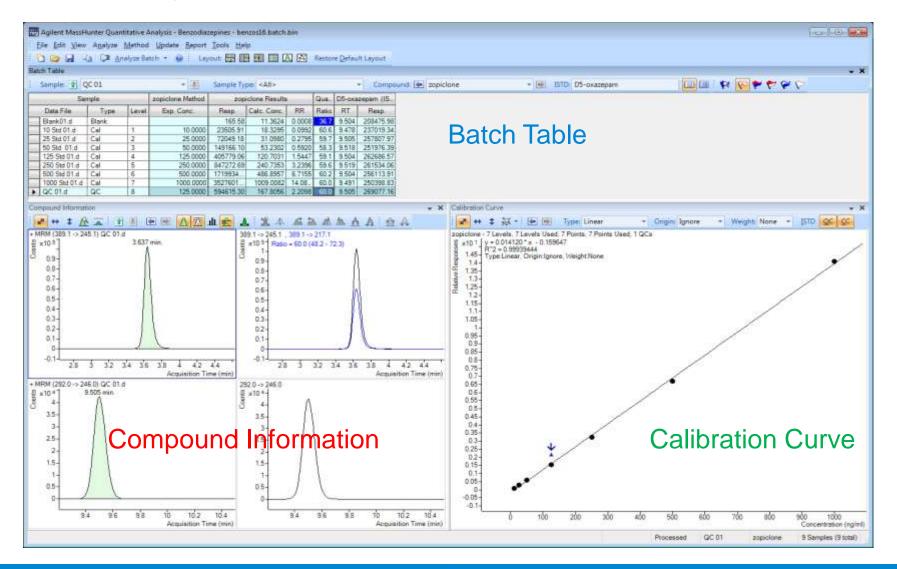
- Batch At a Glance
- Method Editor
- Compounds At a Glance

Handling MS/MS data QQQ and QTOF.

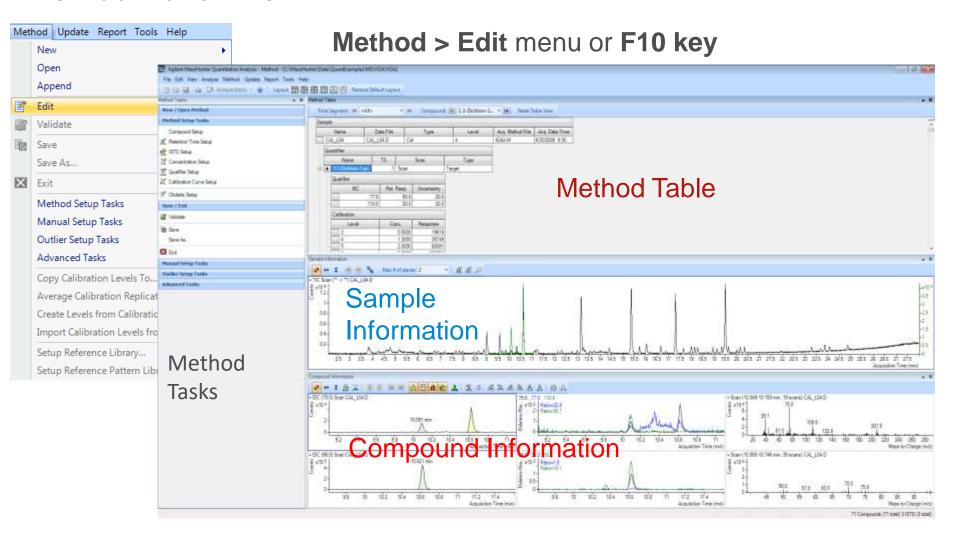
Handling accurate mass data.

MassHunter Quantitative Software

Batch-at-a-Glance View

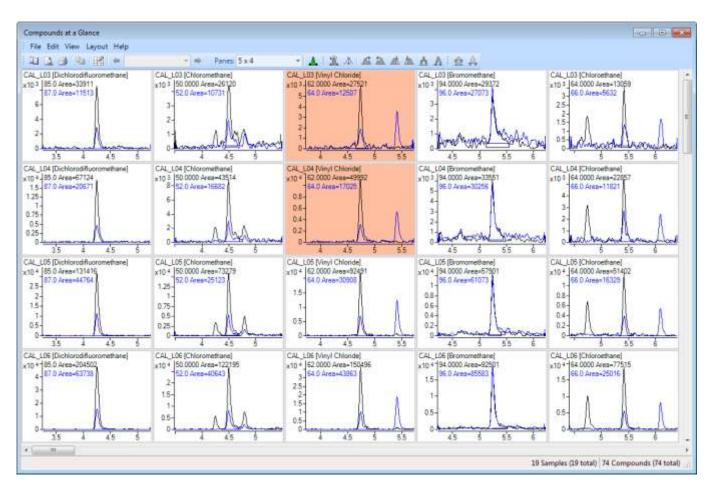


MassHunter Quantitative Software Method Editor View



MassHunter Quantitative Software Compounds at a Glance View

View > Compounds-at-a-Glance



Editing a Quantitation Method for TOF Mass Extraction Setup

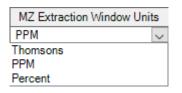


Method > Edit > Advanced Tasks > Mass Extraction Setup

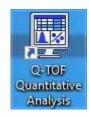
Allows for a mass range for the extraction of the accurate mass (MZ).

(Quantifier										
Name		TS	Scan	Туре	Extract Left m/z	MZ	Extract Right m/z	MZ Extraction Window Units			
	 Sulfadimethoxine 	1	Scan	ISTD	20.0000	311.0808	20.0000	PPM ~			
	Caffeine-DAD	1	Scan	Target	20.0000	195.0876	20.0000				
	Sulfadimethoxin	1	Scan	ISTD	20.0000	311.0808	20.0000	PPM			

Available MZ Extraction Window Units



Editing a Quantitation Method for QTOF Compound Setup & Mass Extraction Setup



QTOF is a combination of MS/MS and accurate mass data

Qu	Quantifier										
	Name	TS	Transition	Scan 4	Туре	Precursor Ion	Product Ion	RT	Ion Polarity	Criteria	
	Sulfamethizole	1	271.0318 -> 156.0114	Product Ion	Target	271.0318	156.0114	0.620	Positive	Greatest Response	
	Sulfachloropyridazine	1	285.0208 -> 156.0114	Product Ion	Target	285.0208	156.0114	0.890	Positive	Greatest Response	
	Sulfamethazine	1	279.0910 -> 186.0332, 156.0114, 124.0869	Product Ion	Target	279.0910	186.0332	2.030	Positive	Greatest Response	
	Sulfadimethoxine	3	311.0809 -> 156.0768, 218.0230, 245.1030	Product Ion	Target	311.0809	156.0768	2.950	Positive	Greatest Response	
	Sulfamethoxazole	2	254.0594 -> 156.0114	Product Ion	ISTD	254.0594	156.0114	0.940	Positive	Greatest Response	

Name – Compound name

TS – time segments may be multiple

Transition – Precursor ion → Product ion scan

Scan – Product Ion

Type – Target, ISTD, Surrogate or Matrix Spike

Precursor Ion – mass of the ion

Product Ion – mass of the ion for the target ion to monitor

RT – retention time of compound of interest

Ion Polarity – usually positive

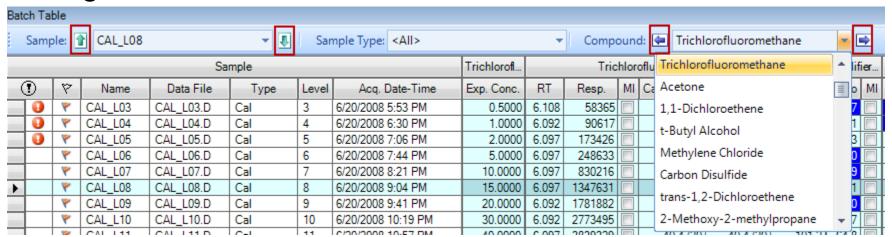
Criteria – Close RT, Close RT with Qualifiers, Greatest Response or Greatest Q-Value

Tip: Enter the Precursor Ion and the Product Ion—Transition auto populates.



Batch Table

Navigation



Click in a sample row to display data on that sample

Click on **Next** and **Previous** icons to move through a batch or use Hotkeys:

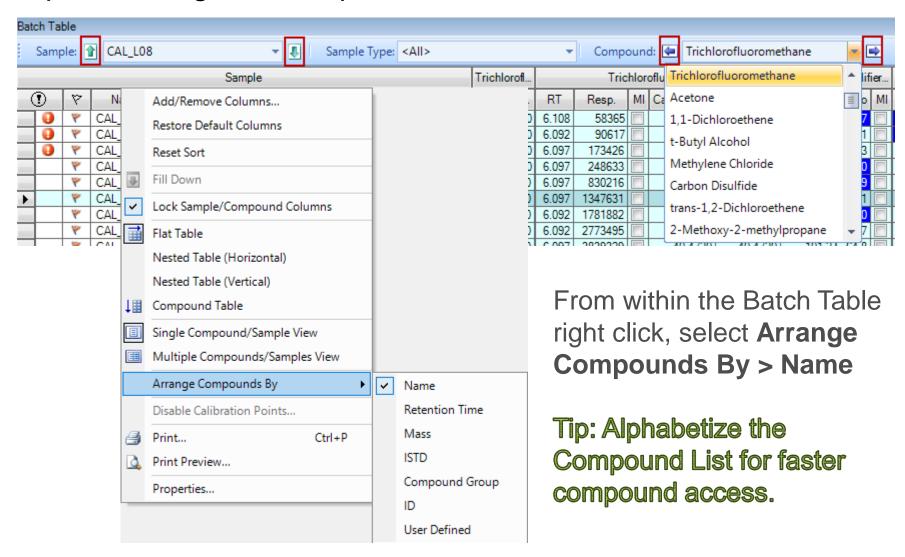
Next Sample = Alt + Down Next Compound = Alt + Right

Previous Sample= Alt + Up Previous Compound = Alt + Left

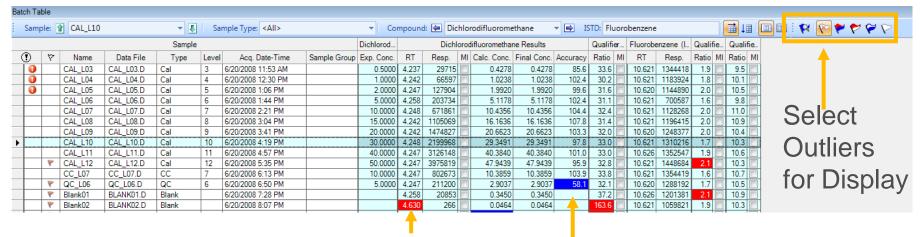
Compound list are frequently long, try the **Compound** drop down list to go directly to the desired compound.

Batch Table

Alphabetizing the Compound List



Batch Table Messages and Outliers



Red Outlier – High (above upper limit)

Blue Outlier – Low (below lower limit)



Messages

Quantitation Message(s)

Dibromomethane: Qualifier M/Z = 93.0: Qualifier peak not found or does not match quantitation criteria Hexachlorobutadiene: Qualifier M/Z = 223.0: Qualifier peak not found or does not match quantitation criteria Hexachlorobutadiene: Qualifier M/Z = 227.0: Qualifier peak not found or does not match quantitation criteria Tetrahydrofuran: Qualifier M/Z = 72.0: Qualifier peak not found or does not match quantitation criteria Vinyl Acetate: Qualifier M/Z = 86.1: Qualifier peak not found or does not match quantitation criteria



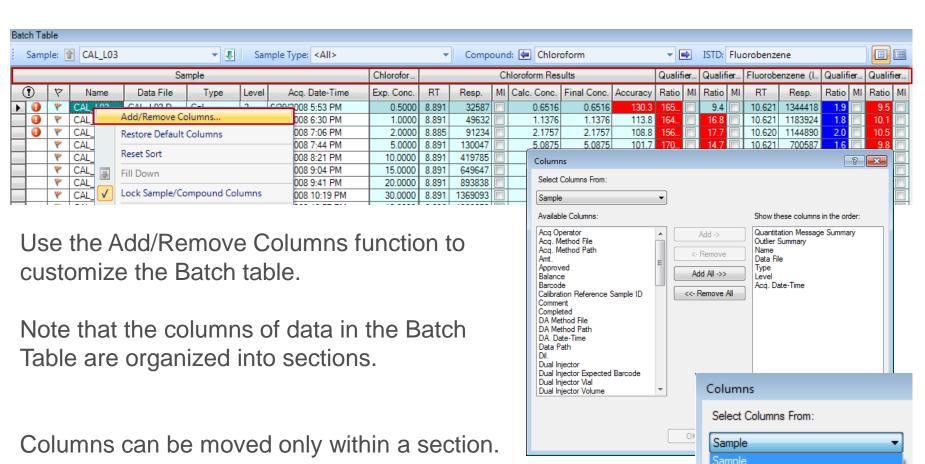
Outliers

♥ Outlier(s)
Dichlorodifluoromethane: Retention time = 4.630 is outside the allowed range [4.037, 4.462]

Hover cursor over the outlier or message to display details

Batch Table Layout Modification

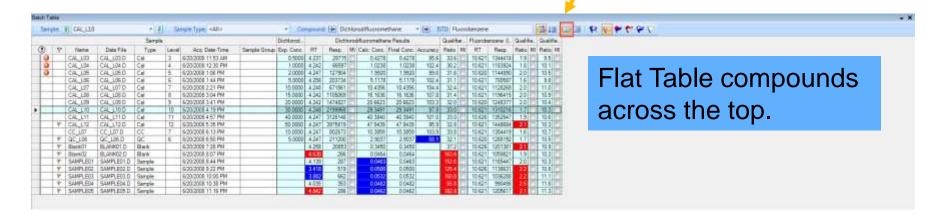
Add/Remove/Move Columns



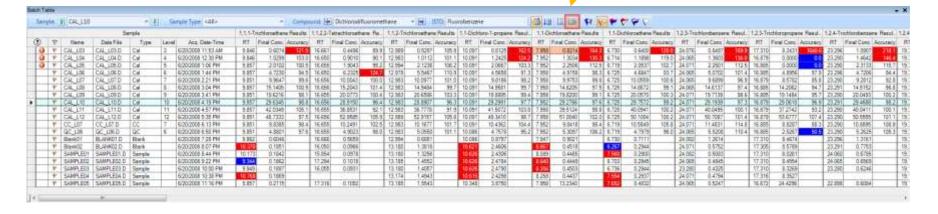
Select correct table.

Batch Table Layout Modification Single and Multiple Compound Modes

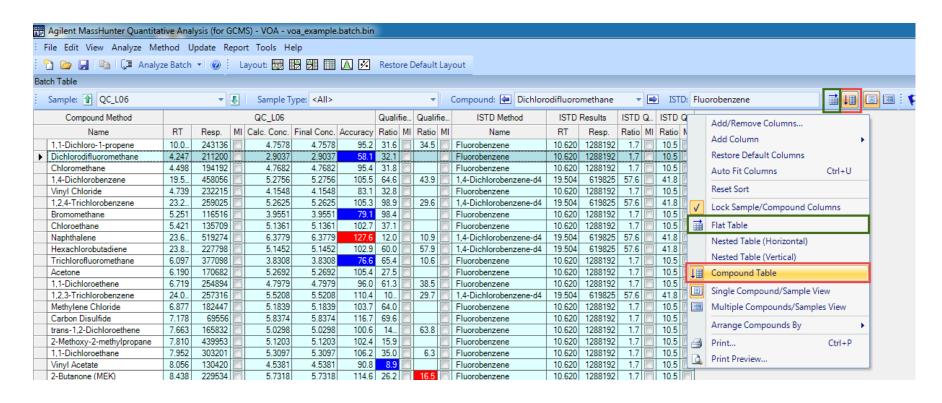
Single Compound Mode



Multiple Compound Mode



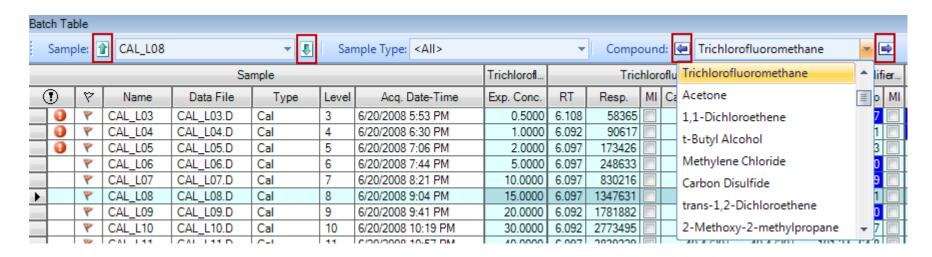
Batch Table Layout Modification Compound Table Modes



Compound Table lists by compound rather than sample.

Select Flat Table to see list by sample.

Batch Table Compounds Groups



It may be useful to group compounds to organize Batch Table.

Look at parent compound and metabolites.

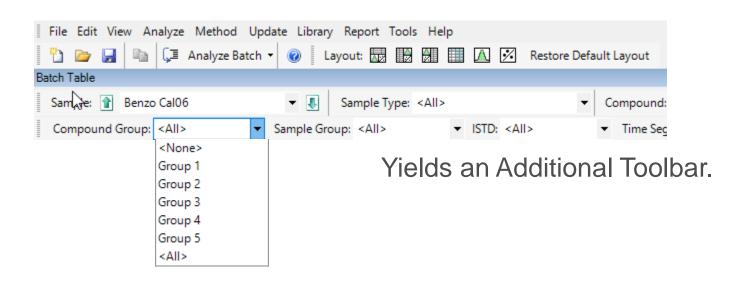
Group hydrocarbons to Group 1, aromatics to Group 2 and so forth.

Compound groups are generated in the Method Editor.

Batch Table Compounds Groups



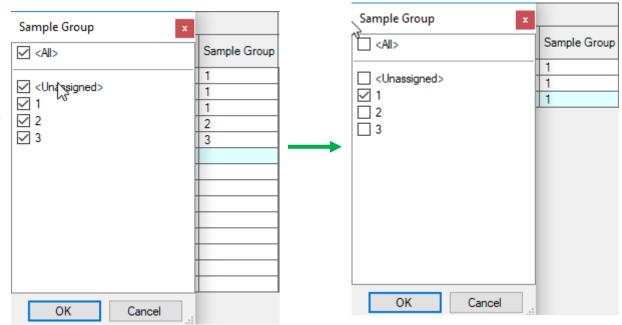
Activated with a right click to the right of the 'flags' or **View** > **Toolbars** > **Filtering**.



Batch Table Samples Groups

Sample Groups are specified in the Batch Table through **Add/Remove Columns.**

Each Sample is assigned to a group, then only samples specific to a group are displayed and evaluated.



Samples groups are distinctively different from compound groups.

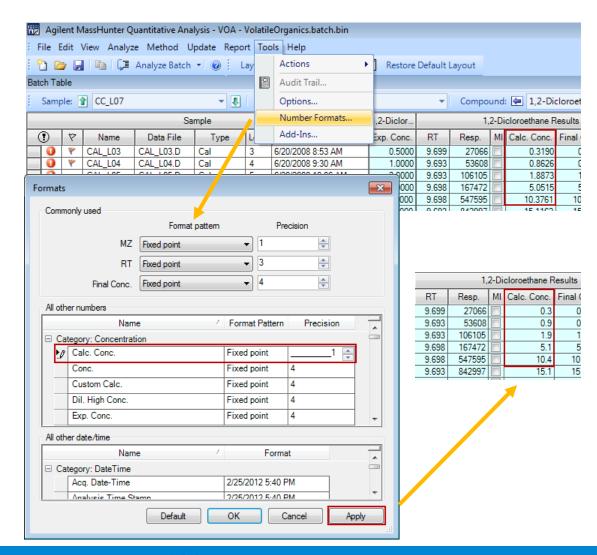
Batch Table Layout Modification Format Columns

How to change the number of decimal places.

Alter number formats

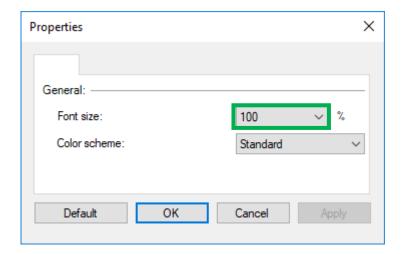
- 1) Exponential
- 2) Fixed point
- 3) General

Alter Date formats



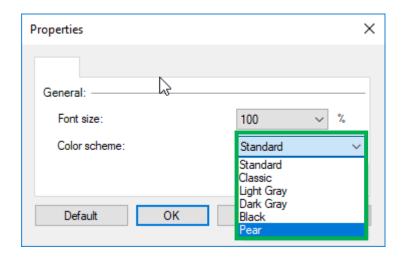
Batch Table Layout Modification Properties

Change the Font size

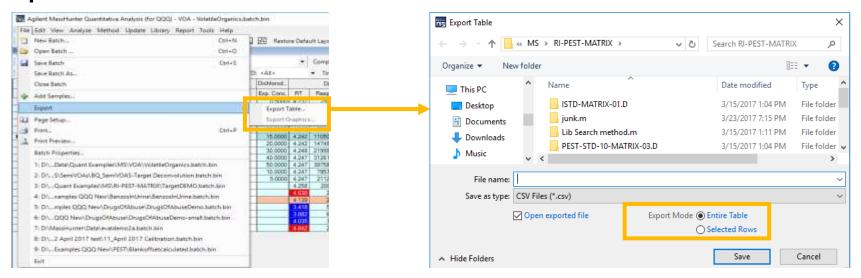


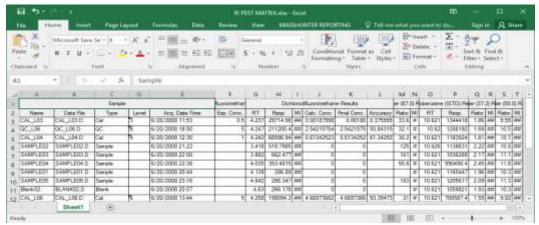
NEW FEATURE!

Change the Color scheme



Export Batch Table





NEW FEATURE!

CSV Files (*.csv)
CSV Files (*.csv)
Excel Files (*.xlsx)
Tab Delimited Files (*.txt)
Xml Files (*.xml)

Tip: Popular option to Excel based reports.

Easy to layout columns and format data, then export into Excel.



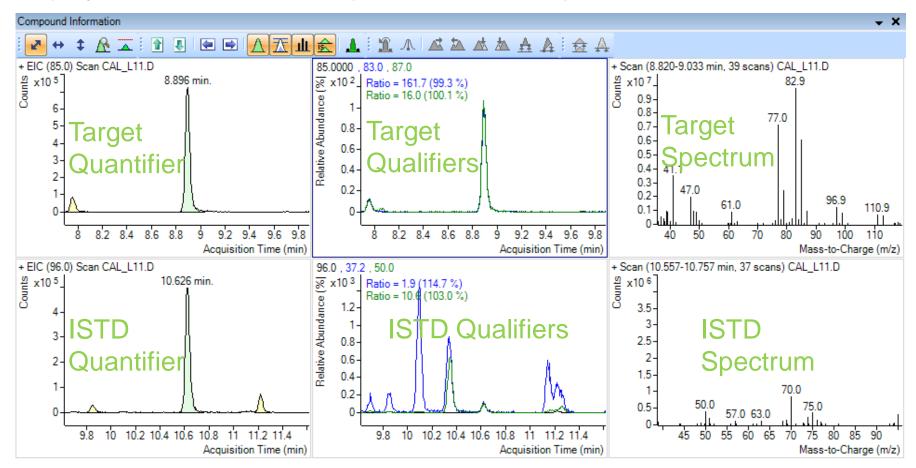
Let's take a moment for questions on Batch Table navigation.

Next up:

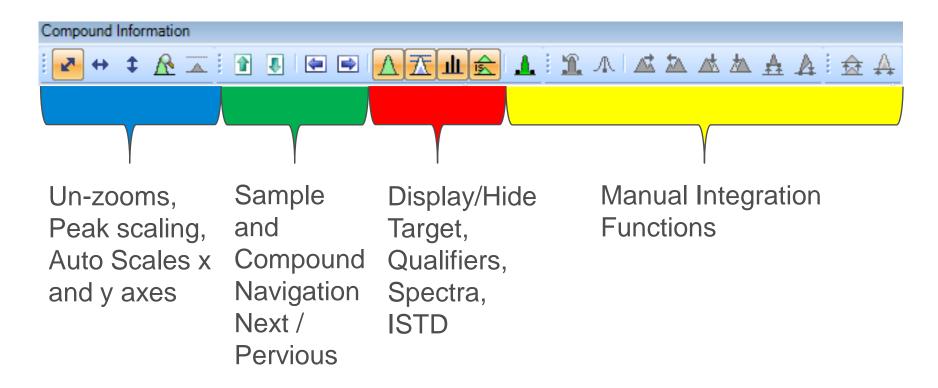
Compound Information

Compound Information

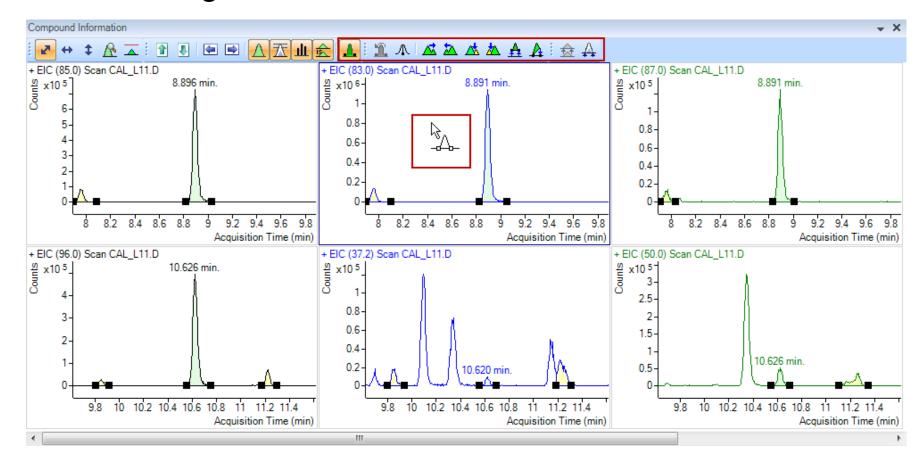
Display and access one compound in one sample at a time.



Compound Information - Toolbar



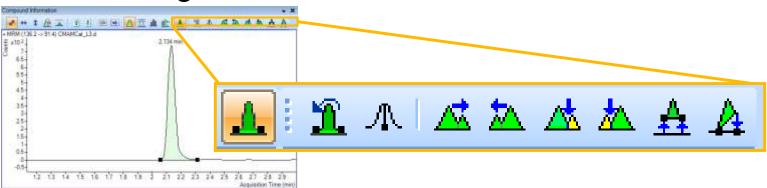
Manual Integrations and MI Toolbar



Click on the Manual Integration icon to place Compound Information in Manual Integration mode.

Each signal is placed in its own window (no overlay of qualifiers).

Manual Integration Toolbar





Enable Manual Integration – this tool activates the manual integration toolbar.





Clear Manual Integration – this tool becomes active once a manual integration is present.





selects the right or left peak.

Split Peak and Pick Right/Left –

this tool splits the peak and then



Zero Peak – this tool sets start and stop to the same value.





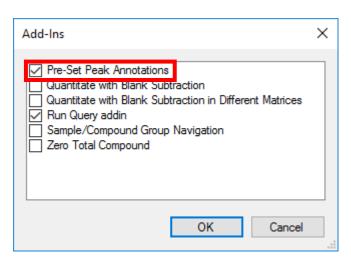
Merge Right/Left Peak – this tool merges the peak to the right/left of the selected peak.

Drop Baseline – this tool finds the lowest end of the peak, then drops the baseline on the other side of the peak from it, thereby creating a flat baseline that avoids negative area.



Compound Information Peak Annotation

Activated from **Tools > Add-Ins...**





NI – The peak was not integrated at all by the computer software.

LT – The peak in question was inappropriately integrated to an area less than what it should be (e.g., Peak area was cut).

GT - The peak in question was inappropriately integrated to an area greater than what it should be (e.g., Peak Tailing).

- **BA** The baseline had to be adjusted correctly by the analyst.
- **CO** –The analyst had to split to co-eluting peaks apart that were not (or could not be) separated by the computer system.
- **RT** The retention time for the peak in question has shifted from the expected retention time.
- **INT** There was electronic interference (e.g., Noise).

Compound Information Peak Annotation

The editable file is located in C:\Program Files\Agilent\MassHunter\Workstation\Quant\bin\AddIns\PeakAnnotations.xml.

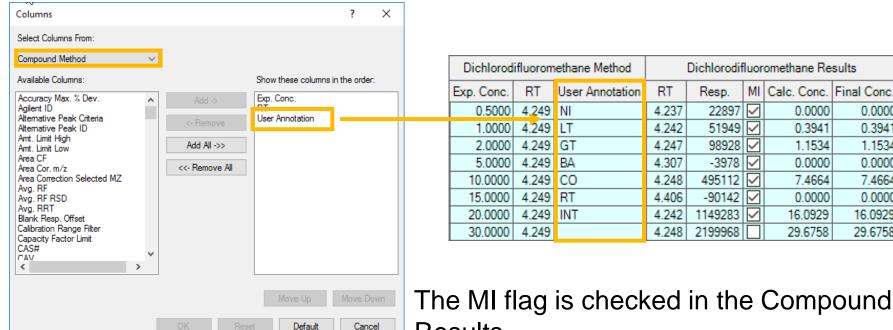
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Tip: Always create a back-up file before editing a configuration file.

Compound Information Peak Annotation

The Peak Annotation can also be displayed in the Batch Table.

When the batch is saved, the values are retained.



The MI flag is checked in the Compound Results.

0.0000

0.3941

1.1534

0.0000

7.4664

0.0000

16.0929

29.6758

0.0000

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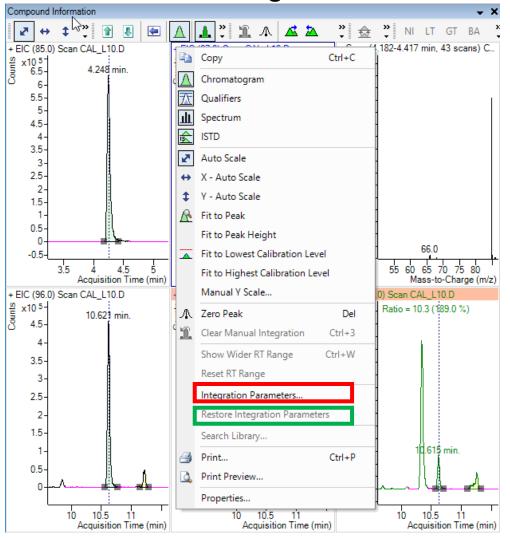
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Compound Information

Context Menu Integration Parameters



Right click to expose the context menu.

Most of the features are toolbar icons.

Integration Parameters can be used to change the integration parameters.

Applies ONLY to this compound in this sample.

Restore Integration Parameters reverts to the method integration values.

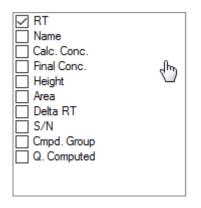
Compound Information Context Menu Properties

Properties allows for customization of the display.

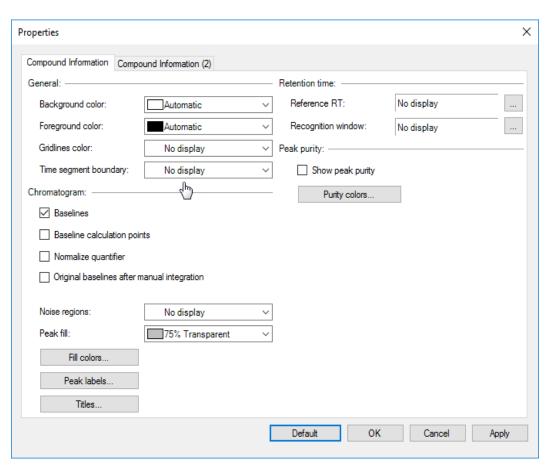
Can change Fill colors.

Can change Peak labels.

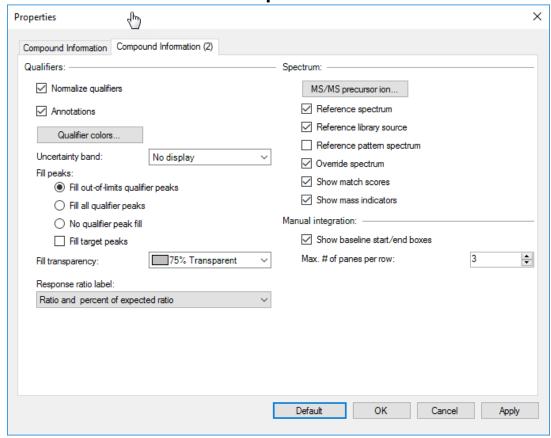
Can change Titles.







Compound Information Context Menu Properties



Qualifier Properties can be changed.

Spectrum Properties can be altered.

Manual integration parameters can be varied.

Tip: Uncheck Normalize qualifiers and display the Uncertainty band for more information about the qualifiers.

Signal to Noise

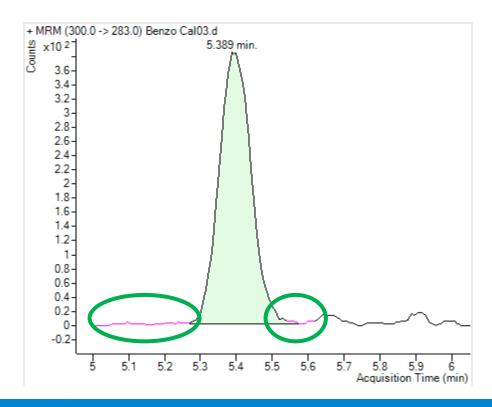
Five algorithms are available

Consult online help for more information on the algorithms. Noise regions can be automatically determined or individually specified.

The Noise regions can be displayed in the Compound Information window under Properties > Compound Information (1) > Baseline Calculation Points.

In this example, 2 noise regions were determined—one before the peak and the other after.

Peak-to-Peak Peak-to-Peak from Drift ASTM RMS Auto-RMS



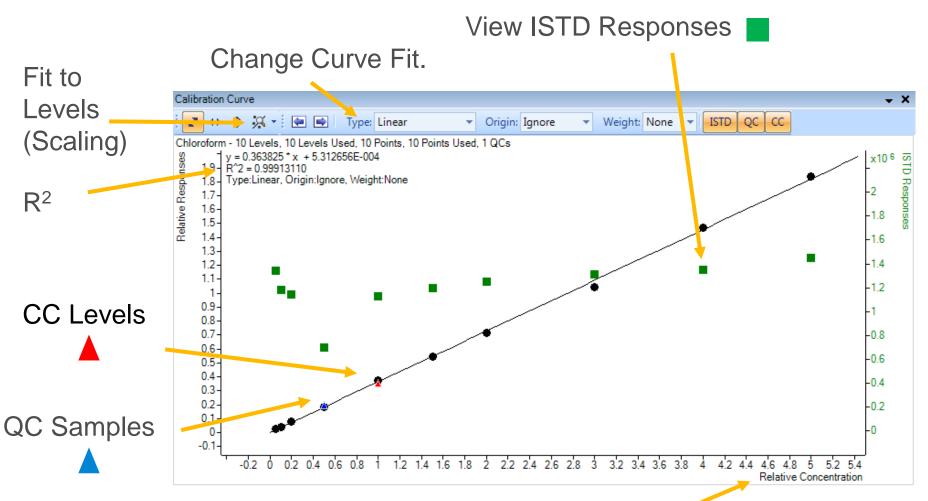


Let's take a moment for questions on Compound Information

Next up:

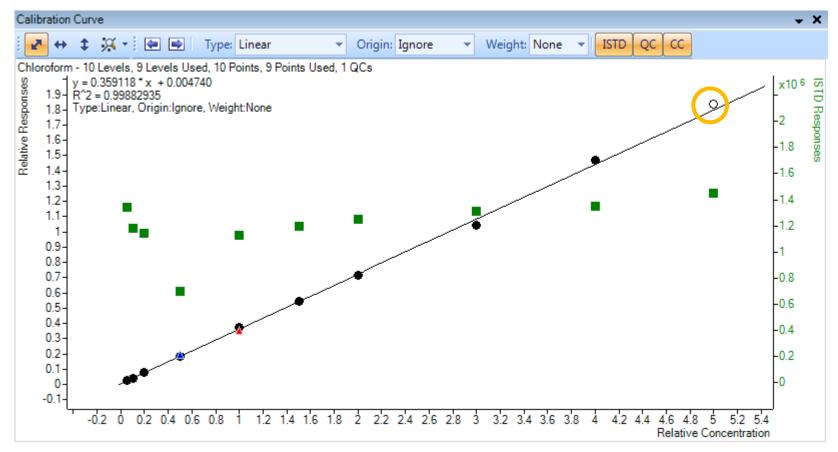
Calibration Curve and Curve Fit Assistant

Calibration Curve



Concentration can be set as relative (to ISTD) or actual.

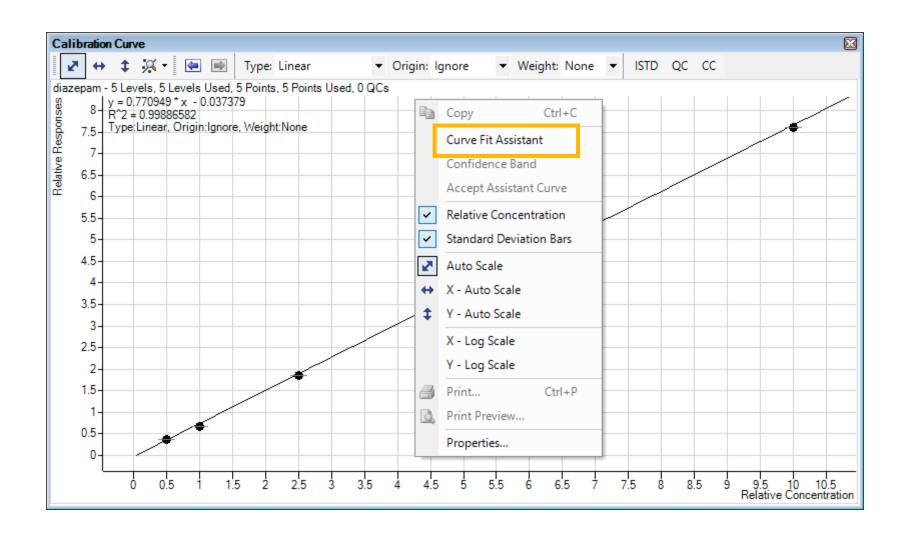
Calibration Curve Disable calibration points



Click on calibration point once to disable and remove from curve.

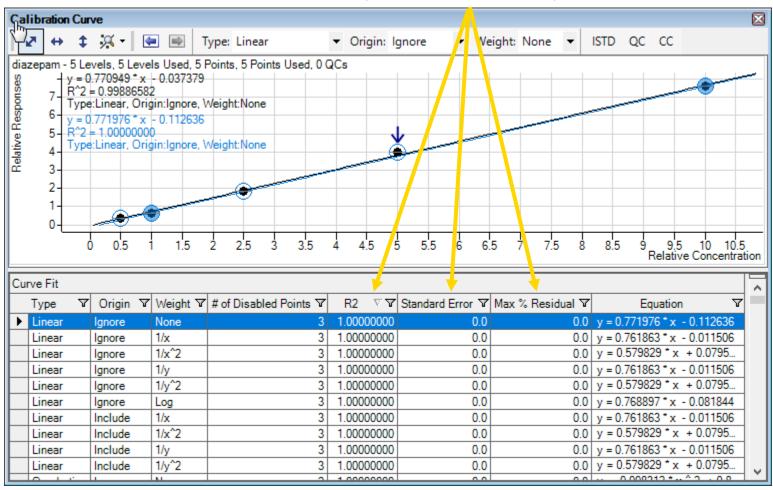
Tip: After changing the curve always reanalyze the batch.

Curve Fit Assistant



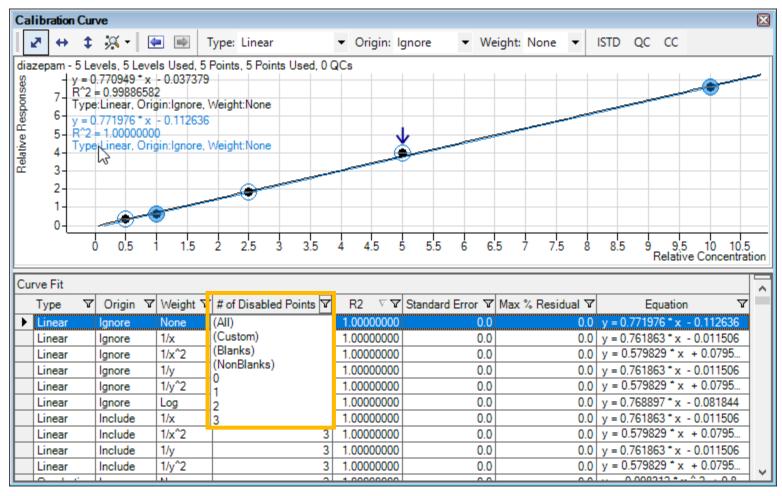
Curve Fit Assistant Sorting Columns

Best curve fit may be ranked using by R², Standard Error, or Max % Residual.



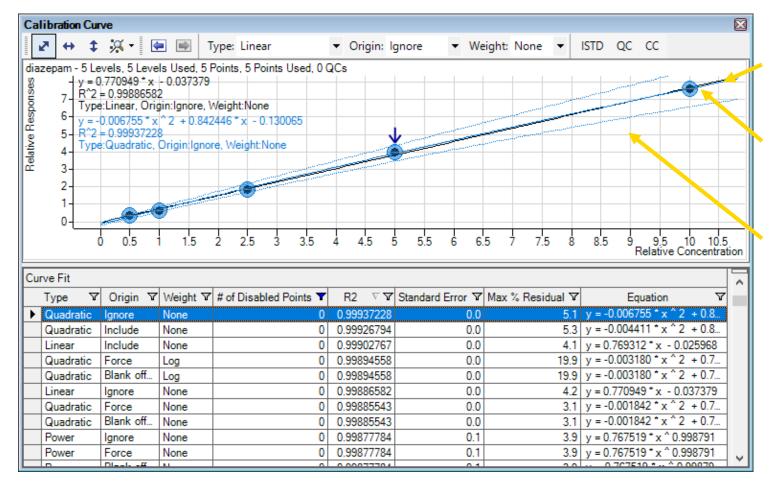
Curve Fit Assistant calculates the mathematical curves.

Curve Fit Assistant Disabled Points



of Disabled Points defaults to 3 but column can be filtered.

Curve Fit Assistant Confidence Band



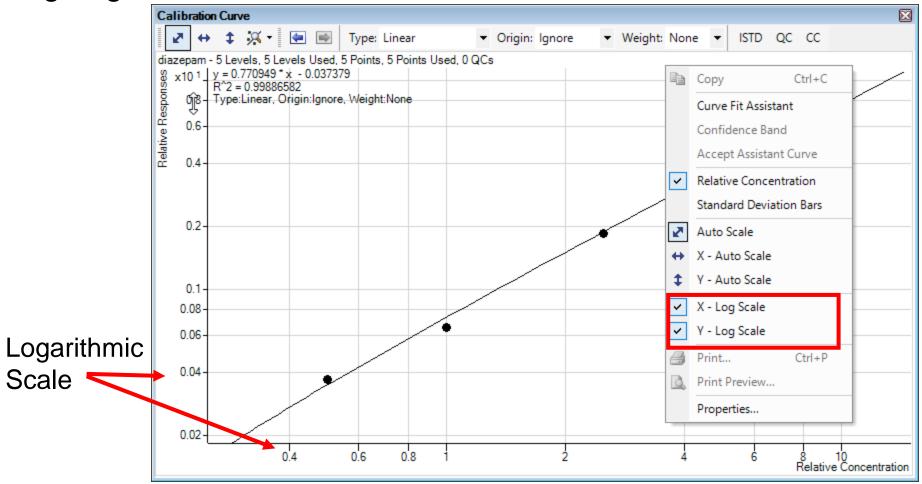
Original Fit (black)

Best Fit (blue)

Confidence Band (blue)

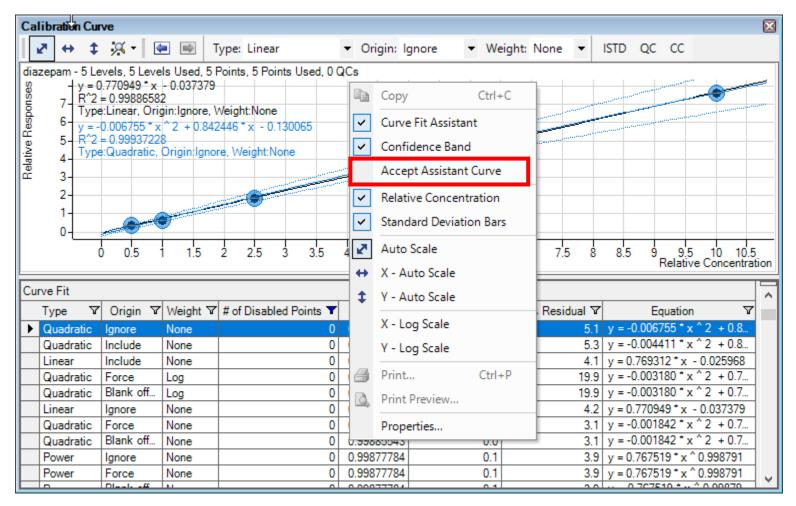
Calibration Curve

Log Log Plot

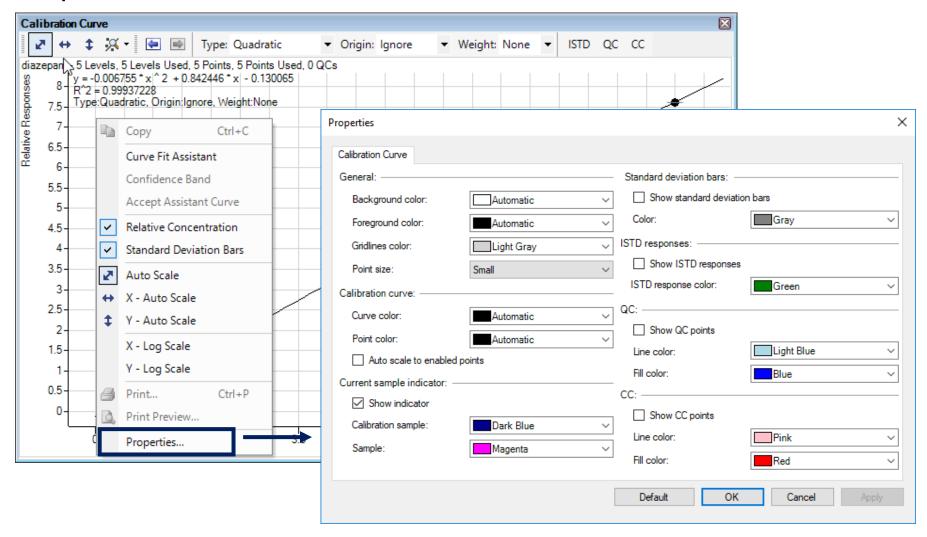


NEW FEATURE!

Curve Fit Assistant Accept Assistant Curve



Calibration Curve Properties





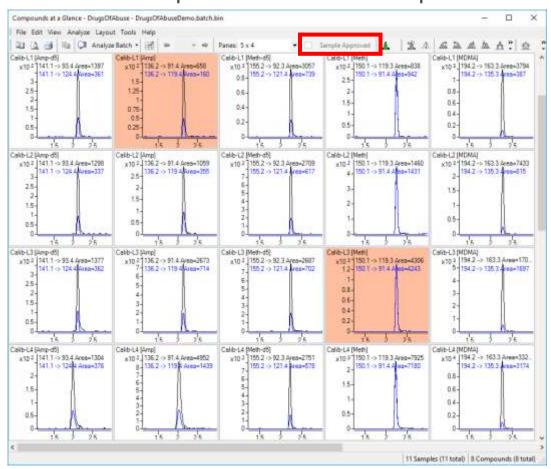
Let's take a moment for questions on Calibration Curve and Curve Fit Assistant

Next up:

Compounds at a Glance

Compounds-at-a-Glance

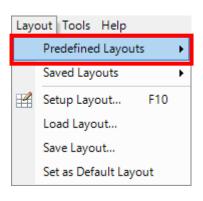
High throughput data review environment. View compounds across multiple samples. View all compounds within a sample.

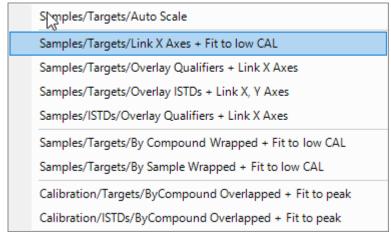


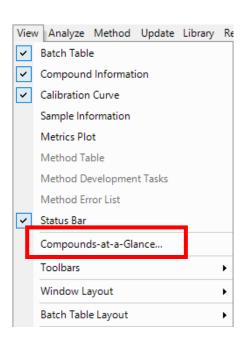
Compounds-at-a-Glance

To start, select View > Compounds-at-a-Glance...

Choose Layout > Predefined Layout







Compounds-at-a-Glance Setup Graphics Wizard

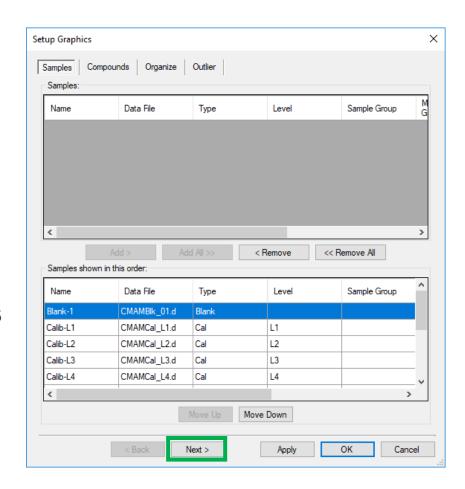
To customize select Layout >
Setup...

Setup Graphics

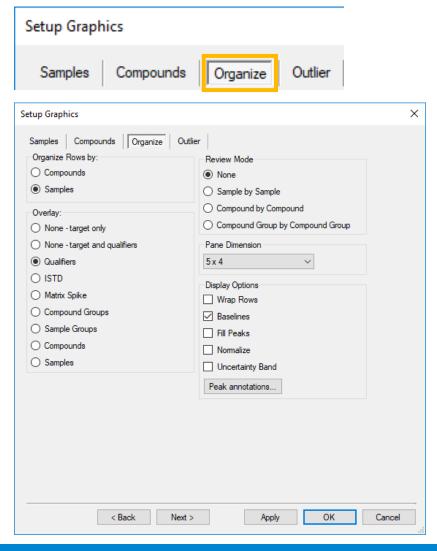
Samples Compounds Organize Outlier

Specify **Samples** to view in Compounds-at-a-Glance then **Compounds**. By default, all samples and all compounds are selected.

Specific samples and order can be modified.



Compounds-at-a-Glance Setup Graphics Wizard



Define how to Organize the selected compounds and samples.

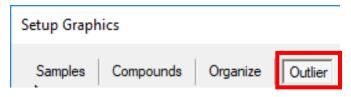
Define the Overlay mode.

Review Mode
Sample by Sample
Compound by Compound
Compound Group by Compound
Group

Display Options

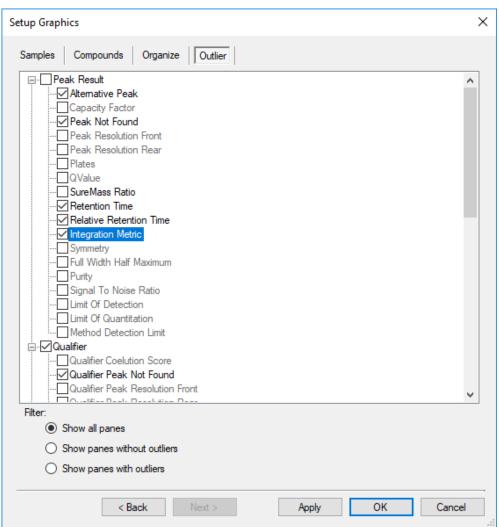


Compounds-at-a-Glance Setup Graphics Wizard

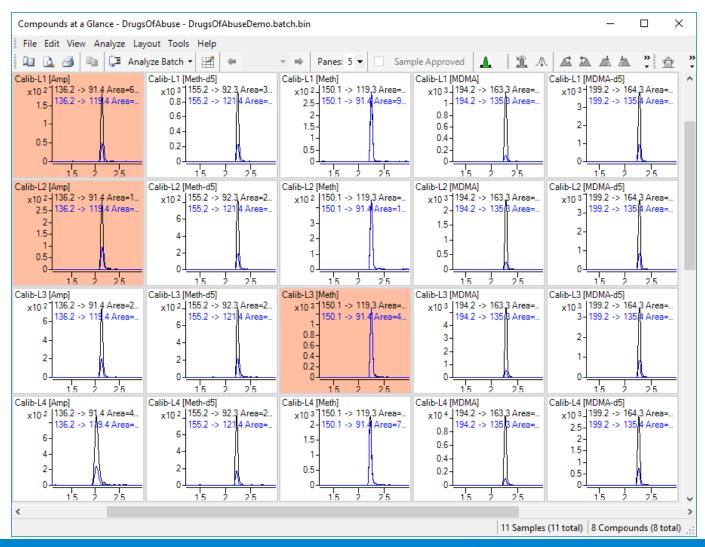


Finally, define which **Outliers** should be highlighted...

Outliers can also be filtered by Panes without outliers
Panes with outliers



Compounds-at-a-Glance Outliers

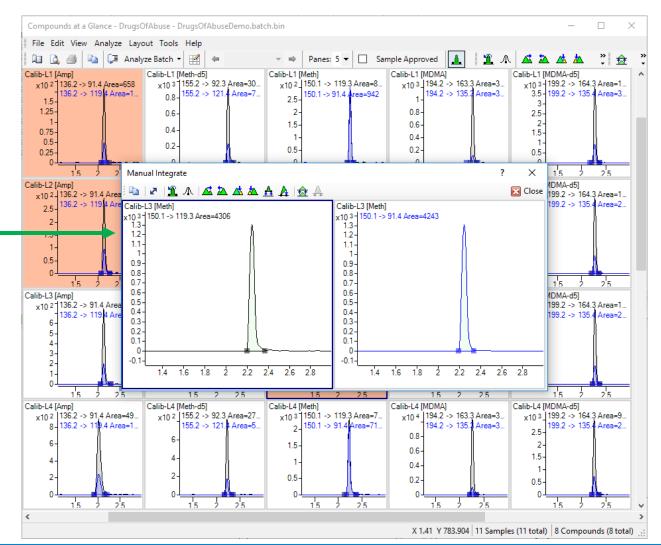


Outliers are highlighted in red.

Compounds-at-a-Glance Manual Integration Pop Up

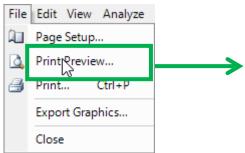
Double click for single pane access.

Can be accessed without manual integration being activated.

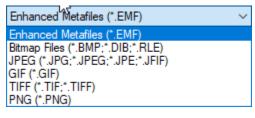


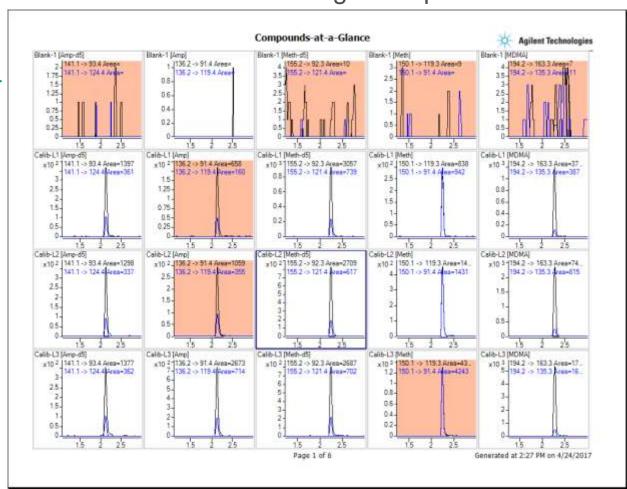
Compounds-at-a-Glance Print Preview

Select File > Print Preview to create a chromatogram report.



Export Graphics give a graphic image in various formats.

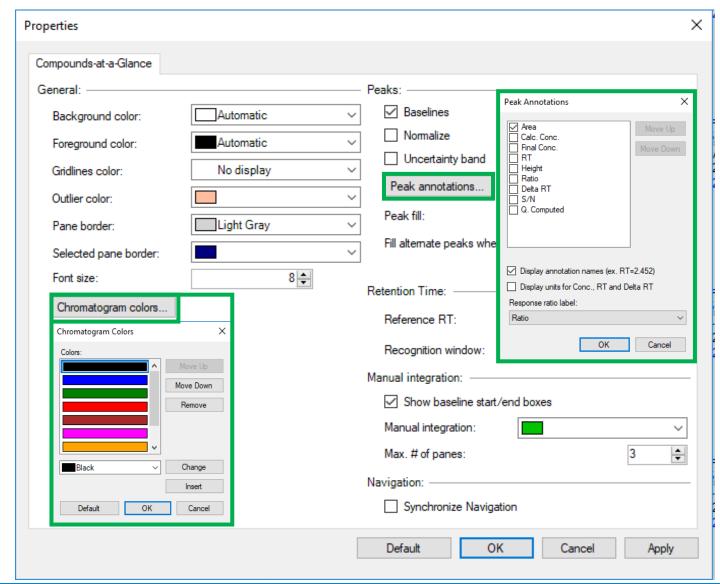




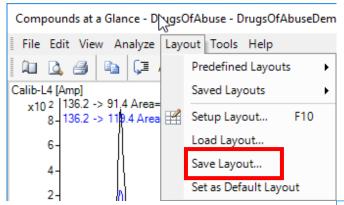
Compounds-at-a-Glance

Properties

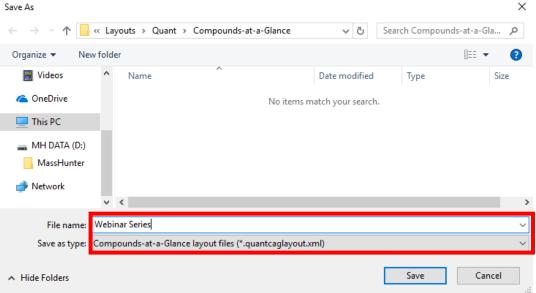
From the context menu select **Properties**



Compounds-at-a-Glance Save Layout



Some settings in the Layout screens are not saved such as compounds, samples, etc.





Let's take a moment for questions on Compounds at a Glance

Next up:

Global Settings

Globals Settings

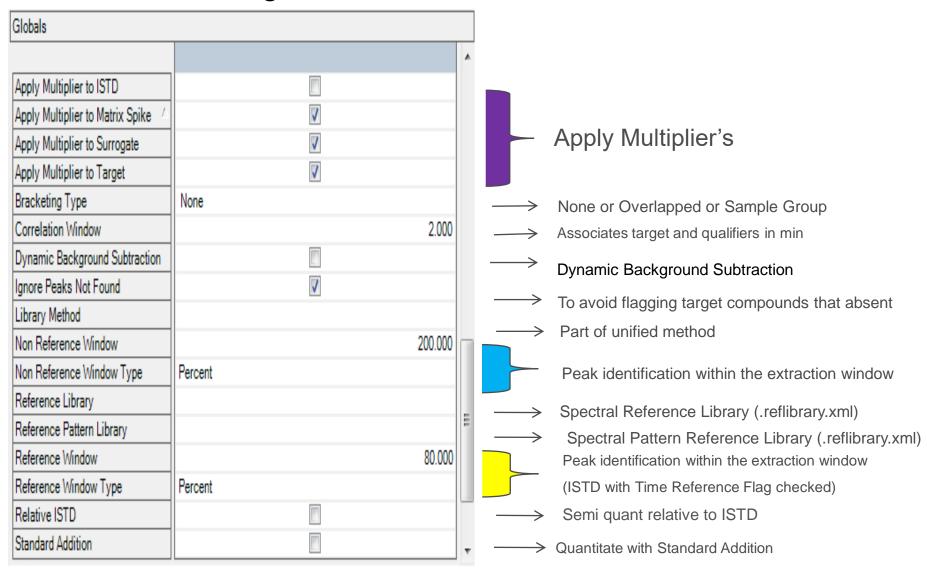
Component of Method Editor.

Global parameters are critical to proper quantitation.

Globals are method parameters.

Globals apply to the whole batch – all samples and all compounds.

Globals Settings



Globals Settings Calculated and Final Concentration

Sample			1,2,4-Trichl	orobe	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene Results					
	Туре	Level	Dil.	Exp. Conc.	Units	RT	Resp.	MI	Calc. Conc.	Final Conc.
	Sample		1.0		ng/ml	23.280	1138		0.6341	0.6341
	Sample		1.0		ng/ml	24.071			0.6581	0.6581
	Sample		1.0		ng/ml	23.280	272		0.6580	0.6580
	Sample		1.0		ng/ml	23.280	5189		0.6964	0.6964

Calculated Concentration (Calc. Conc.)—is the concentration of the compound as calculated from the calibration curve.

Final Concentration (Final Conc.)—is the concentration after the Multiplier has been applied to the Calculated Concentration.

The equations are:

Final Concentration = Calculated Concentration x Multiplier

Globals Settings Multiplier

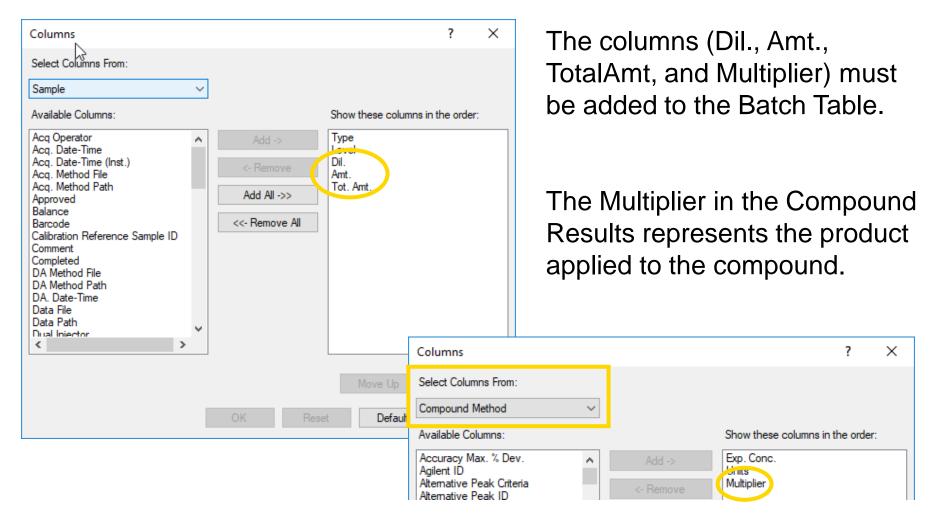
Multiplier = Dilution x Sample Amount Multiplier where Sample Amount Multiplier = TotalAmt/Amt

All three of the factors are columns in the Sample section of the Batch Table. By default, they are set to 1, either

explicitly (Dil.) or implicitly (Amt. and Tot. Amt.)

Sample				1,2,4-Trichl	orobe	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene Results			ults		
Туре	Level	Dil.	Amt.	Tot. Amt.	Exp. Conc.	Units	RT	Resp.	MI	Calc. Conc.	Final Conc.
Sample		1.0				ng/ml	23.280	1138		0.6341	0.6341
Sample		1.0				ng/ml	24.071	2074		0.6581	0.6581
Sample		1.0				ng/ml	23.280	2272		0.6580	0.6580
Sample		1.0				ng/ml	23.280	5189		0.6964	0.6964

Globals Settings Multiplier



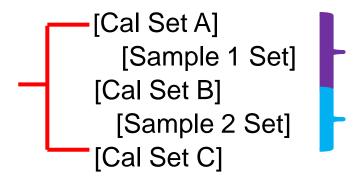
Globals Settings Bracketing type = None

No (None) Bracketing allows the user to have sample(s) quantitated using the average of *all* the calibration standards in the batch without regard to order.

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Avg. Cal (A+B+C) [Cal Set A]
[Sample 1 Set]
[Cal Set B]
[Sample 2 Set]
[Cal Set C]
[Sample 3 Set]
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Globals Settings Bracketing type = Overlapped

Overlapped Bracketing allows the user to have sample(s) quantitated using the average of the calibration standards injected both before and after the samples injection.



Average Calibration (A+B)

Average Calibration (B+C)

Globals Settings Bracketing Type = Sample Group

Used with Stream Select (LC)

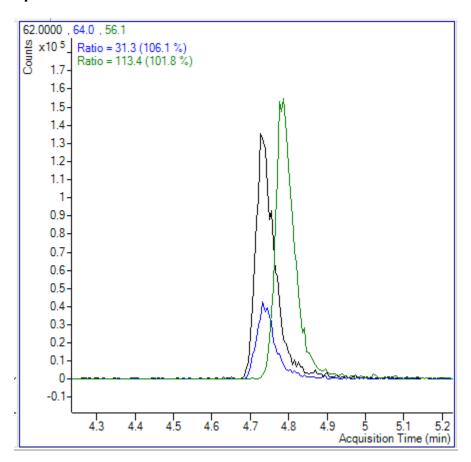
When the Bracketing Type Sample Group is implemented, only samples from a specific Sample Group (specified in the Batch Table) are considered in the formation of the calibration curve and quantitation of the samples. This feature would accommodate slight shifts in retention time and/or variations in instrument responses.

Comment	Sample Group	Info.
	Column 1	
	Column 2	
	Column 1	
	Column 2	

Added from Worklist or Batch Table.

Globals Settings Correlation Window

Indicates the retention time relationship of target and ions to one or more qualifiers.



Tolerance of extracted ions to be considered a single peak.

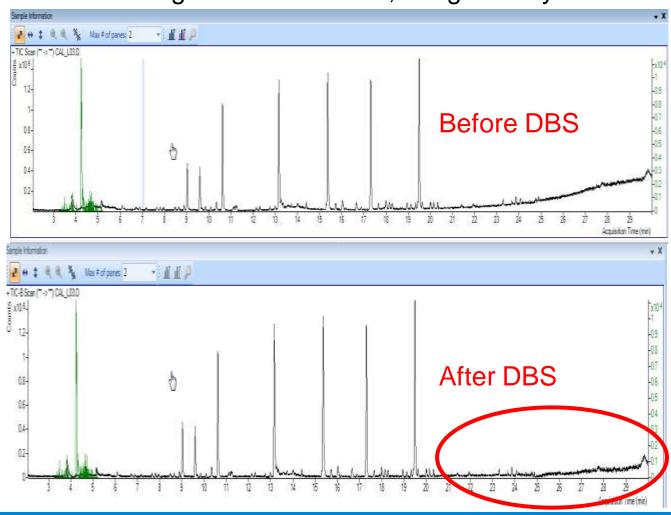
Default time of 0.5 min is rather wide.

Typically 0.01 to 0.05 min (0.6 sec to 3 sec)

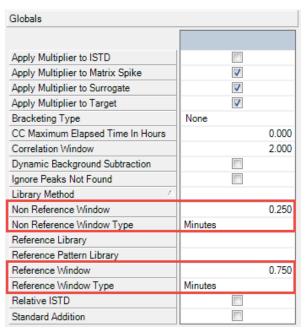
Globals Settings

Dynamic Background Subtraction

Removes noise or background ions in TIC, not generally recommended.



Globals Settings Non Reference & Reference Window



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Scan

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Type

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Surrogate

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Target

Target

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Quantifier

Name

Fluorobenzene

Toluene-D8

Chloromethane

Chlorobenzene-d5

1.4-Dichlorobenzene-d4

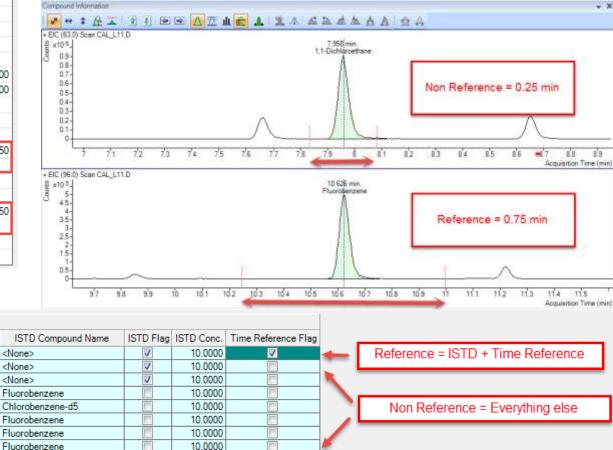
1.2-Dichloroethane-d4

1,1-Dichloro-1-propene

Dichlorodifluoromethane

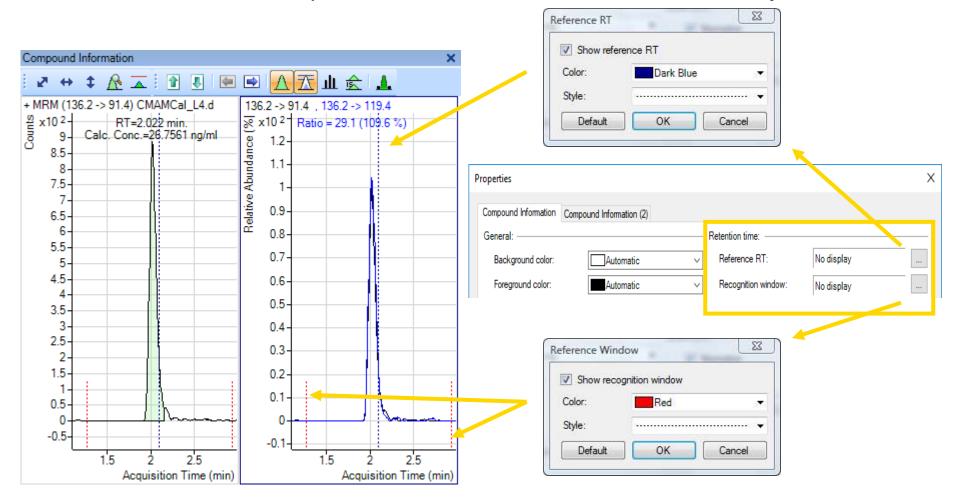
Extract full signal for baseline and noise.

Restrict peak selection to smaller RT window.

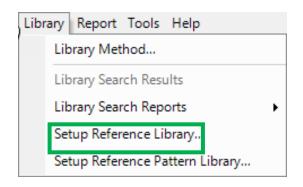


Option to Display Reference RT and Window Compound Information > Properties > Retention time

Chose which reference points to show and in what color and style.



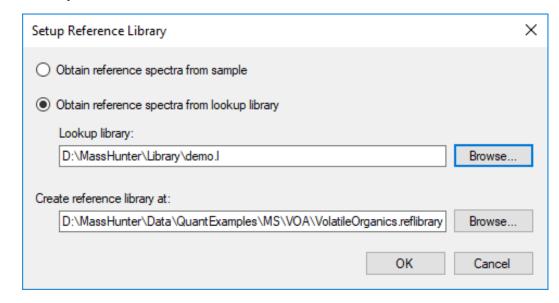
Globals Settings Reference Library



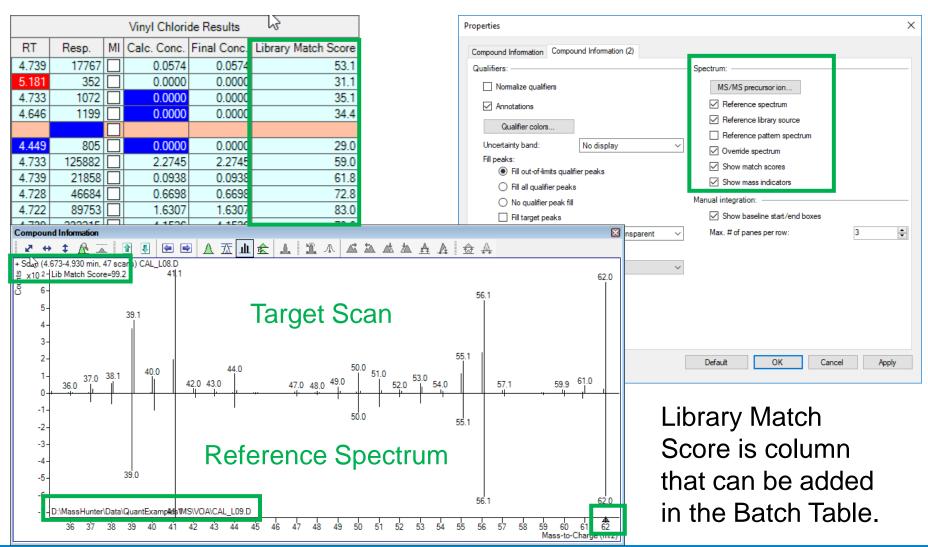
High level calibrator should be selected before entering Method Editor to obtain better quality spectra for the reference library from the sample.

The Reference Library is activated from **Library** > **Setup Reference Library**...

A reference library can be created from a calibrator or existing library and added to the quant method to aid in the identification of compounds.



Globals Settings Reference Library



Globals Settings Relative ISTD

A method of semi quantitation.

It is a global parameter and is applied to every sample in the batch.

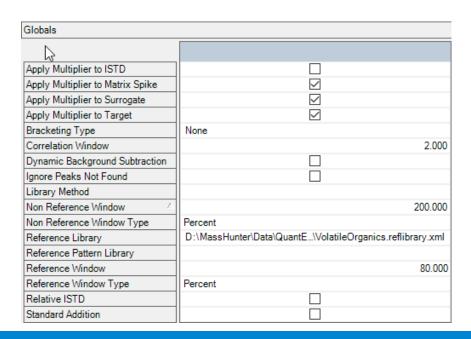
$$[Phe] = \frac{Intensity \ of \ Phe}{Intensity \ of \ D_5 Phe} x [D_5 Phe]$$

Relative ISTD is a concept where the response factor of the ISTD is used for quantitation.

$$\frac{Response}{ISTDResposse}*ISTDConcentration*ISTDRelativeMultipler = Calculate Concentration$$

Globals Settings Standard Addition

Standard Addition is activated in Globals Setup in the Method Editor. The calibration curve is Linear, Ignore Origin and No Weighting. The sample that is spiked MUST precede the calibrators in the Batch Table. Quant assumes that the order samples are acquired are the order in which they are analyzed.



①		7	Name	Туре	Level
1	•	4	Sample 1	Sample	
1	0	8	Sample 1 Spike 1	Cal	L1
1	•	8	Sample 1 Spike 2	Cal	L2
1	0	8	Sample 2	Sample	
	0	8	Sample 2 Spike 1	Cal	L1
1	0	4	Sample 2 Spike 2	Cal	L2

Order in Batch Table is imperative. Sample, Cal1, Cal 2....

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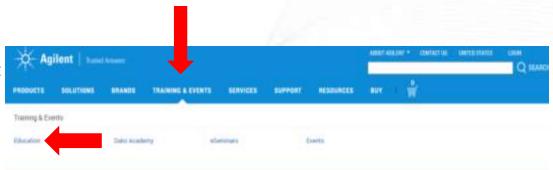
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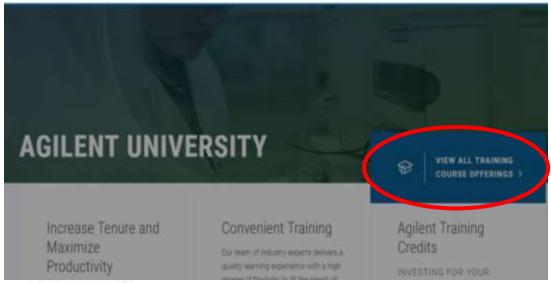
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