

# SUPER SESI - X



# **Biologically relevant** vapor and nano-aerosol detection in real time

# **SSX** ionizes vapors and nano-aerosols for MS analysis and **Biologically relevant metabolites** with very low vapor pressure

- High ionization efficiency
- Extremely soft ionization
- Atmospheric pressure operation
- Seamless sample flow introduction
- Compatible with Thermo Exploris<sup>™</sup>, Tribrid<sup>™</sup> and TSQ<sup>™</sup> MS series
- Real-time detection
- Molecular masses up to 600 Da

### High Quality Data for:

- Breath analysis
- Food and aroma
- Headspace analysis
- Cell culture volatilomics



- Bioreactor volatilomics
- Plant volatilomics
- Trace detection
- Environmental monitoring



# Secondary ElectroSpray Ionization (SESI), first principles in simple terms

- A nano-electrospray produces charging agents at high concentration.
- Charge is transferred from protonated clusters to the vapors and nano-aerosols via Charge Transfer Reactions and Field Charging Effects.
- Charged vapors and nano-aerosols are desolvated, transferred into the vacuum side of the MS, and analyzed.



## Why SESI is ideal for large vapor molecules?

## 1- The advantages of ionizing at atmospheric pressure:

- <u>Turbulent losses</u> and <u>condensation losses</u> due to adiabatic cooling, which are typical of ionization systems operating at low pressure, <u>are eliminated</u> because the vapor inlet flow path is laminar, with very low pressure drop.
- The <u>velocity of the charge transfer reaction is much faster</u>. It scales with the concentration of the vapors and the charging ions, which go with the pressure in the ionizer. At room pressure (10<sup>3</sup>mBar), the velocity of the charge reaction is 10<sup>6</sup> times higher than at 1 mBar.
- High performance Electrospray-MS systems are optimized to transfer and desolvate heavy ions from atmospheric pressure into their vacuum side. Super SESI X is designed to seamlessly substitute regular ESI ion sources and to <u>harness the power of advanced MS</u>.

## 2- Why using a nano-spray as a source of primary ions:

Nano-electrospray provides the best performance for ionization of biomolecules, but it comes with a price: stabilizing a water nano-electrospray can be tricky. So why bother?

- <u>SESI produces very clean spectra</u> because, there are <u>no high-energy ions at any point</u> that could cause fragmentation. This is important for <u>biomarker discovery.</u>
- <u>The ionization efficiency is very high</u> because the concentration of charging agents near the nano-jet is extremely high. This means <u>better Limits of Detection</u>.



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#### BREATH - Breath biomarker Discovery - Real-time drug metabolism. - Pharmaco-kinetics. ANALYSIS - Kinetics of inhaled drugs, exposure kinetics.

Breath is analyzed as produced in the lungs Time evolution of your study, as you go Sensitivity advantage of direct breath analysis



No. of robust features detected in one exhalation: >2000

- Resolving power: >120.000 (for a SS coupled with a QE-Plus)
- Response time: less than 2 seconds





J.Lan, J. Kaeslin, G. Greter, & R. Zenobi; Minimizing ion competition boosts volatile metabolome coverage by secondary electrospray ionization orbitrap mass spectrometry Analytica Chimica Acta; doi.org/10.1016/j.aca.2021.338209.

## VOLATIL -OMICS

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signal intensity

- Cell culture - Food and aroma - Plant metabolism - Headspace & biorreactor analysis

#### Plant, circadian cycles



#### Yeast, real-time response to glucose injection



#### Mice, real-time ketamine pharmacokinetics



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