Ambient Ionization & Miniature Mass Spectrometers for Trace Analysis of Explosives

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#### **In-situ Analysis of Complex Materials**





#### **Miniaturization Mass Spectrometers**

System	Self-sustainable Portable Systems						Portable Systems without rough pumping	
	Mini 10/11/12	ChemCube™ /ChemPack	Suitcase TOF	Griffin™ 824	Guardion-7™	IonCam™	Palm- portable MS	HAPSITE®
Developer	Purdue University	Microsaic Systems	Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab	Griffin Analytical Technologies , Inc.	Torion Technologies	OI Analytical	Samyang Chemical Co.	Inficon
Weight	10kg/4kg/15kg	9kg/14.9kg	N/A	22.7kg	11kg	19kg	15kg	18kg
Power	70W/30W/65W	45W	N/A	N/A	75W	150W	5W	<150W
Mass Analyzer	Rectilinear ion trap	Quadrupole mass filter	TOF	Cylindrical ion trap	Toroidal ion trap	Mattauch- Herzog sector	Cylindrical ion trap	Quadrupole mass filter
MS/MS	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Sampling /lonization	MIMS, direct leak, GDEI, APCI, ESI, DESI, LTP, PS, LS	SPME, EI	MALDI	SPME, MIMS, El	SPME, mini GCEI	Direct gas leak EI, mini GCEI	Pulsed gas leak El	GCEI
Mass range /Resolution	m/z 700, R = 700; m/z 1500, R = 750	<i>m/z</i> 600, R = 400; <i>m/z</i> 400, R = 200	<i>m/z</i> 70,000, R = 70	<i>m/z</i> 425, R = 400	<i>m/z</i> 500, R = 500	<i>m/z</i> 300, R = 300	<i>m/z</i> 300, R = 150	<i>m/z</i> 300, R = 300
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#### **Miniaturization of Ion Trap Mass Spectrometers**



## **Tandem Mass Spectrometry**

Structural information for enhanced selectivity = reducing false positives



## Instrumentation: Mini/Portable MS for in-situ analysis



#### Multiple instrument configurations

-Wearable backpack w/ sampling head unit

11.3 kg (25 lbs)

-Desktop portable

15 kg (33 lbs)



#### Power consumption

-65 W average; 144 W peak

-1.5 hrs on battery power

## **Four Ambient Ionization Methods**

Ambient Ionization: Ionization of sample in its native state with transfer of ions not whole sample into MS



#### **Desorption Electrospray Ionization**







Fingerprint

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**DESI Imaging** 

IE SCENE INVESTIGATION



#### **Chemical Fingerprint**

# CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROS Ifa, DR et al, Science, 2008

#### **Explosives mixture analysis: DESI**



Mini 10 (10 scan average; 1  $\mu$ g total amount, on 1cm<sup>2</sup> area)

Nathan Sanders, Sameer Kothari, and Gary Salazar

#### **Real-Time Microorganism Analysis by DESI**



In vivo recognition of *Bacillus subtilis* by DESI-MS



Bacillus subtilis as a biofilm growing on agar nutrient: simple, high quality mass spectra dominated in both the positive and negative ion modes by signals due to the cyclic lipopeptide, Surfactin.

Analyst. 2009, 134, 838-841

## Paper Spray: Immediate Point-of-Care Analysis



Ryan D. Espy, Nicholas E. Manicke

#### **Paper Spray Surface Wiping**



#### **LTP Handheld Unit**



JS Wiley, JT Shelley, RG Cooks, Anal. Chem. 2013, 85, 6545–6552

#### **LTP Analysis of Explosives**



JD Harper et al., Anal. Chem. 2008, 80, 9097–9104

# **Touch Spray of Biologicals**



Ahmed Hamid, Alan K. Jarmusch, Kevin Kerian

## Summary

#### **Instrumentation**

- Miniature/portable mass spectrometers
  - Backpack MS
  - Portable benchtop MS
- Ambient Ionization
  - Desorption Electrospray Ionization (DESI)
  - Low Temperature Plasma (LTP)
  - Paper Spray (PS)
  - Touch Spray (TS)

#### **Applications**

- In-situ, on-site analysis
  - Explosives
  - Microorganisms
  - Drugs in blood, urine, & other biofluids
  - Fingerprints
  - Cloth, skin, tissue, all surfaces!
- > All varieties of molecules (small vs. large, polar vs. nonpolar)
- Mini's not commercially available, but 20 are out for testing



- Ionization in open air
- Rapid in-situ analysis

