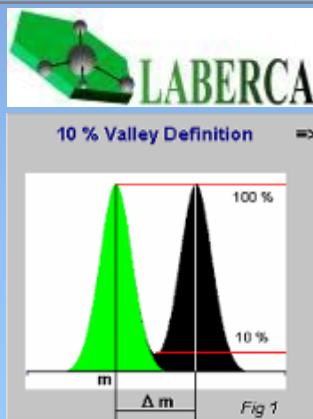




# HIGHLIGHTING AND IDENTIFICATION TECHNIQUE OF CHLORINATION BY-PRODUCTS OF ETHINYLESTRAZOLE IN DRINKING WATER TREATMENT BY UNTARGETED PROFILING METHOD BY LC-HR(MS)<sup>n</sup>

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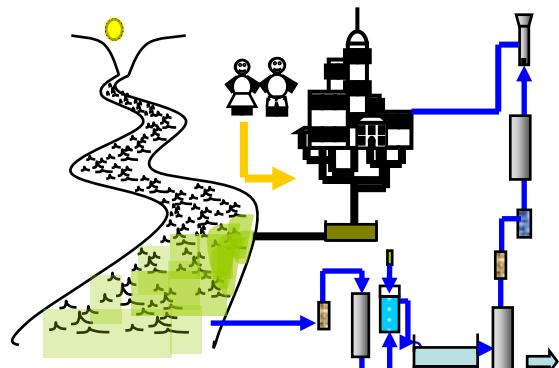
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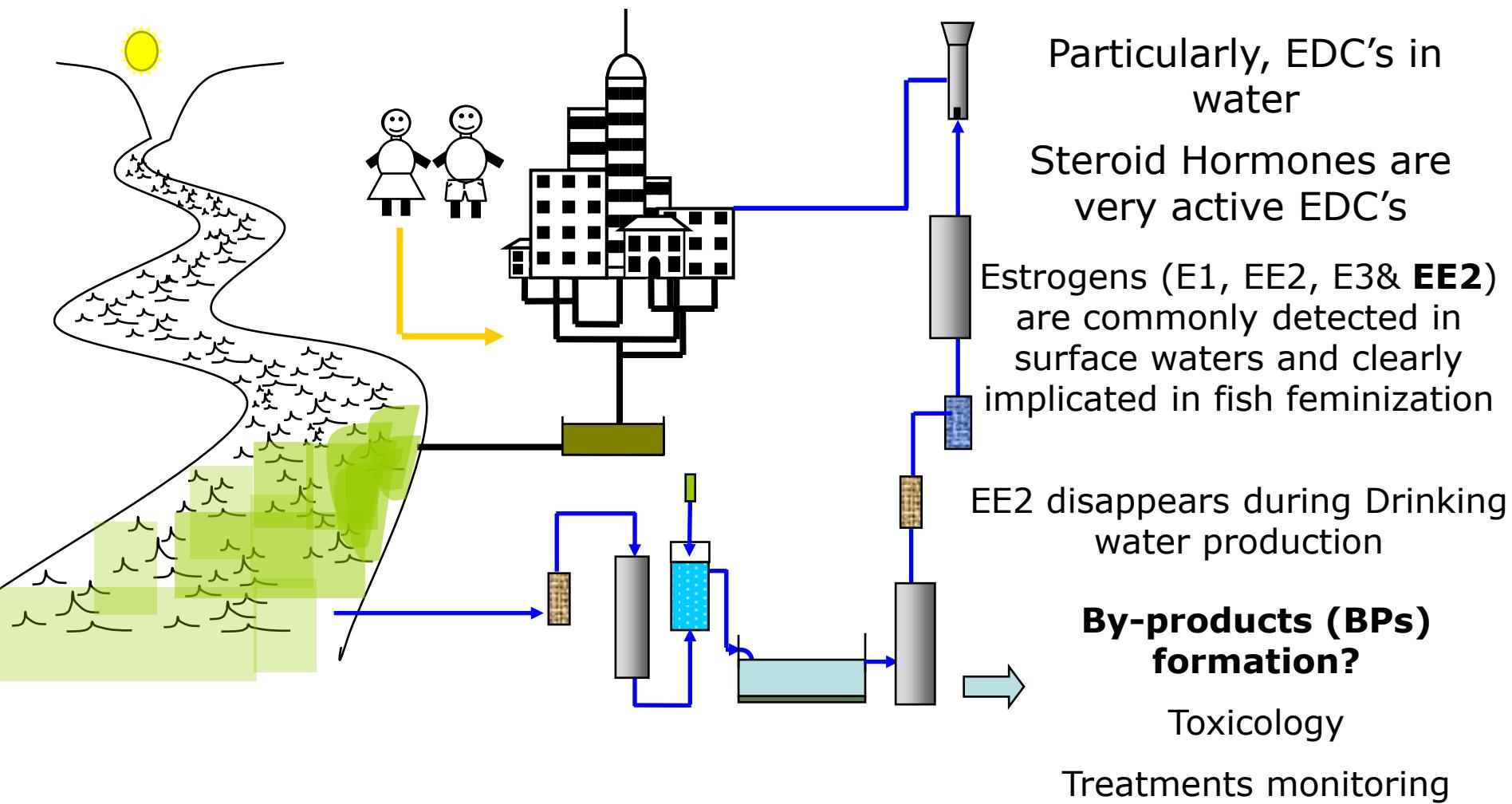
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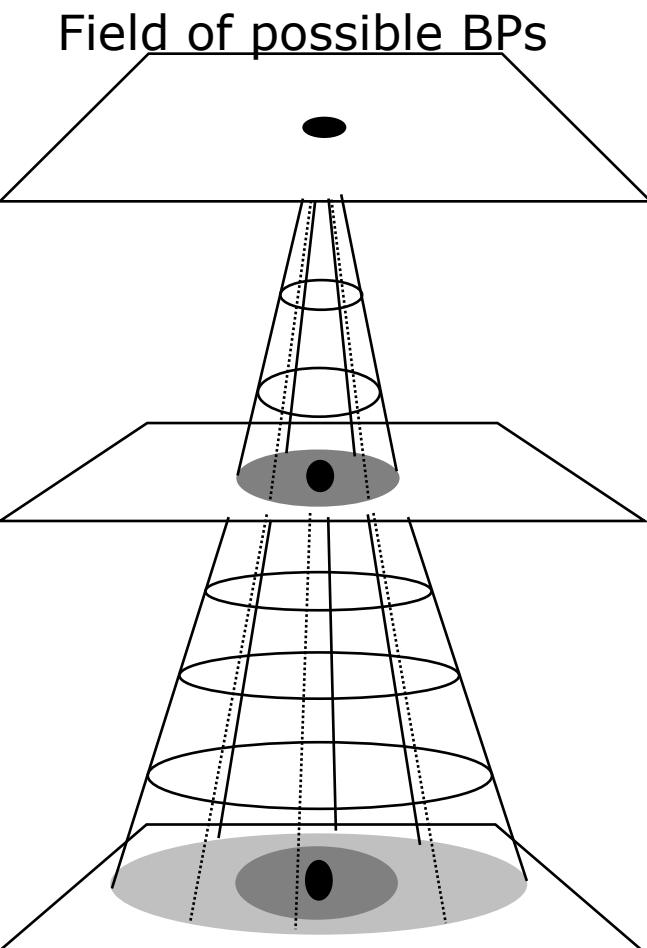
# Introduction

Endocrine Disruptors Compounds (EDCs) exposure is a major issue for Toxicology / Ecotoxicology / Food Safety Sciences



# Introduction:

## By-products Information



## Experiments

Water + EE2 + NaOCl



Water + EE2 + NaOCl +  
Salts

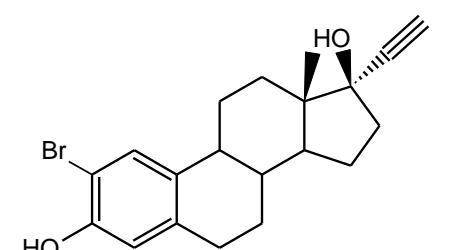
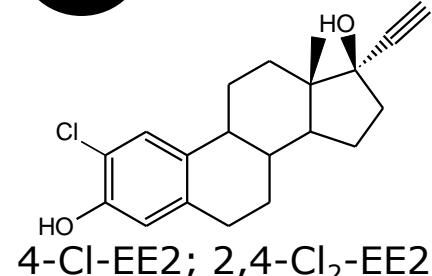


## Real conditions:

Water + EE2 + NaOCl +  
Salts + NOM + Humic acids  
+ Fulvic acids + Colloids...

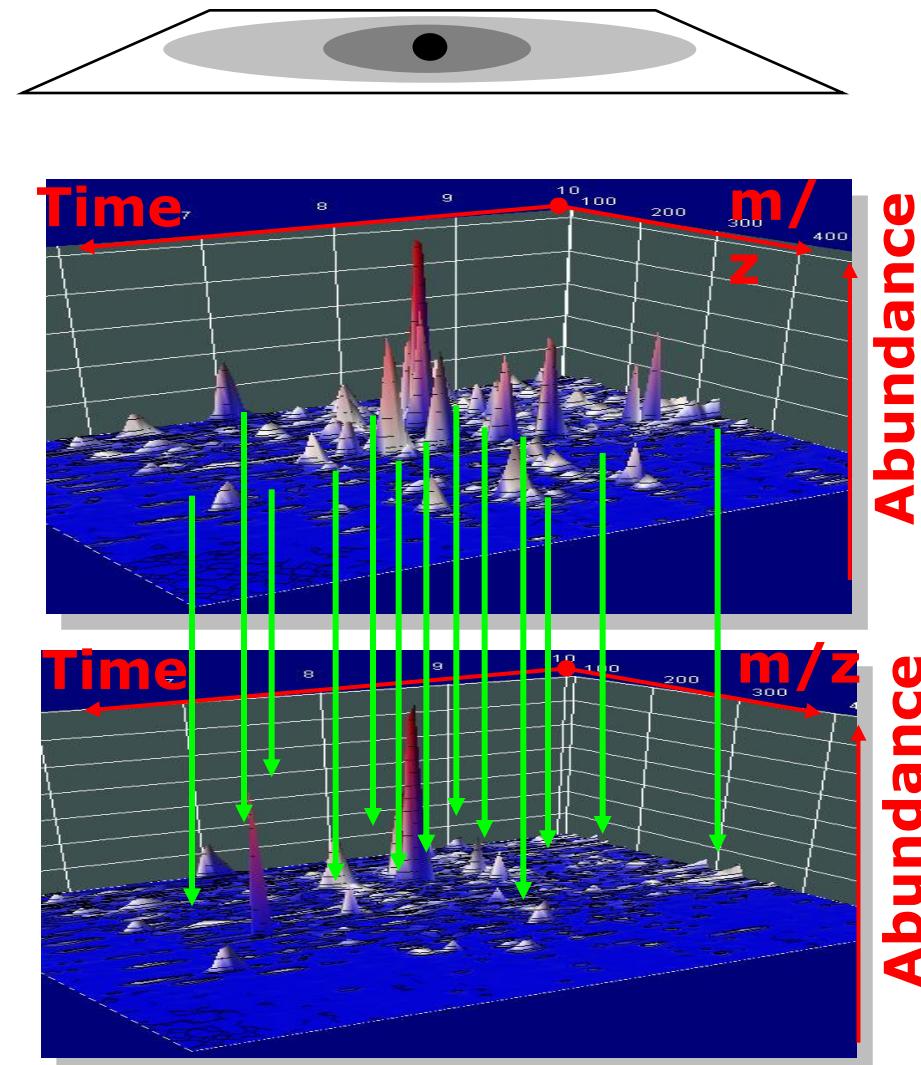


## Targets



**Exhaustiveness!  
Of BPs**

# Introduction:



## Sampling

Classical treatment applied to EE2-spiked real water

## Extraction:

Non selective extraction by SPE for polar & apolar compounds

## Liquid chromatography:

Non selective chromatographic gradient from 0% to 100% Organic

## High Resolution Mass spectrometry:

Use of Full Scan mode

Exhaustiveness of m/z

- **Comparison of groups of samples (Treated Vs. Untreated)**

- **Computational tool for data processing “fingerprints”**

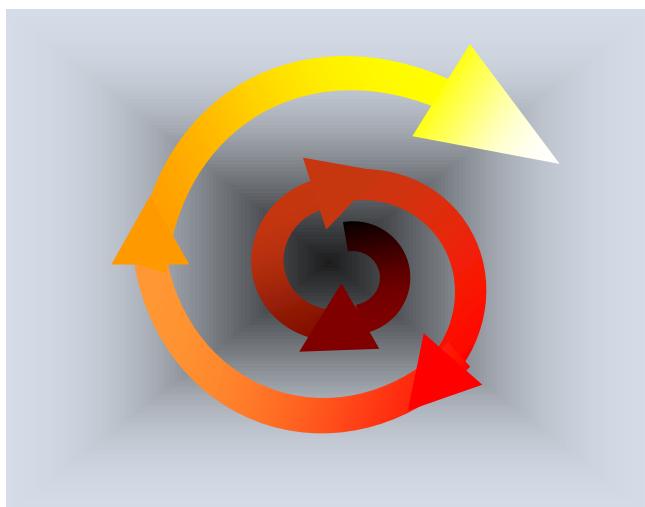
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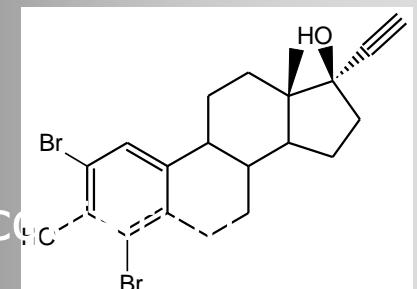
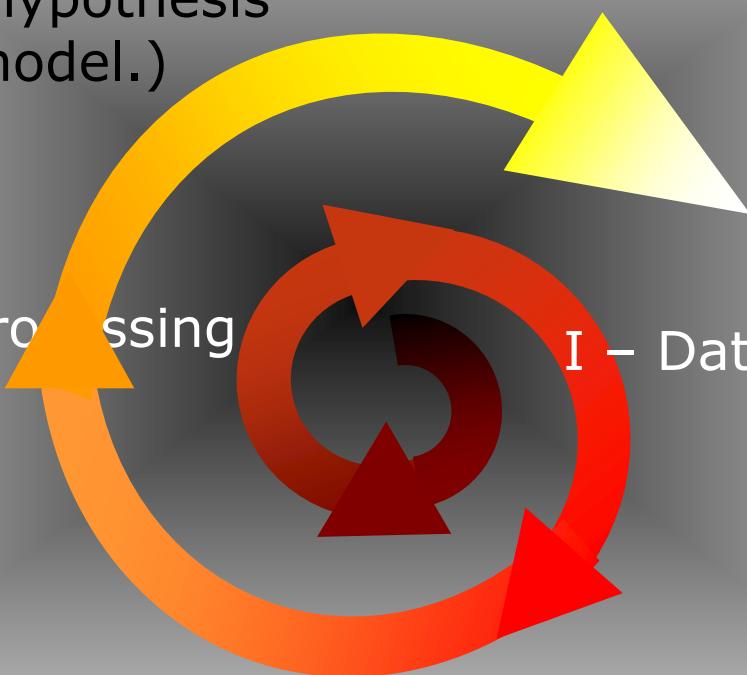


V – Structural hypothesis  
(lit./frag./model.)

II – Data processing

I – Data acc.  
III

IV – raw formula  
determination

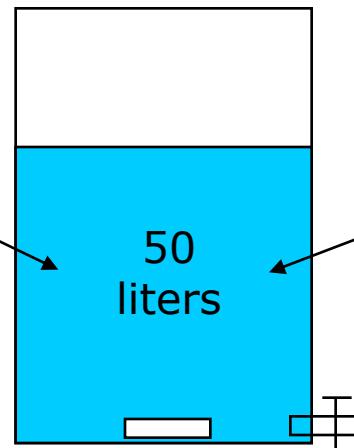


measurement

***"From shadow to light"***

# Methodology: sampling

**Real water from DWTP**  
free from EE2



Spiking:  
5 mg/L in Ultra Pure Water  
Chlorination:  
NaOCl

## **Gr.1 “treated”:**

EE2-spiked (5 ppb) chlorinated (0.8 mg/L)  
3 contact times:

- 10 min.
- 30 min.
- 120 min.

## **Gr.2 “witnesses”:**

EE2-spiked & not-chlorinated  
EE2-unspiked & chlorinated  
EE2-unspiked & not-chlorinated  
Ultra pure water

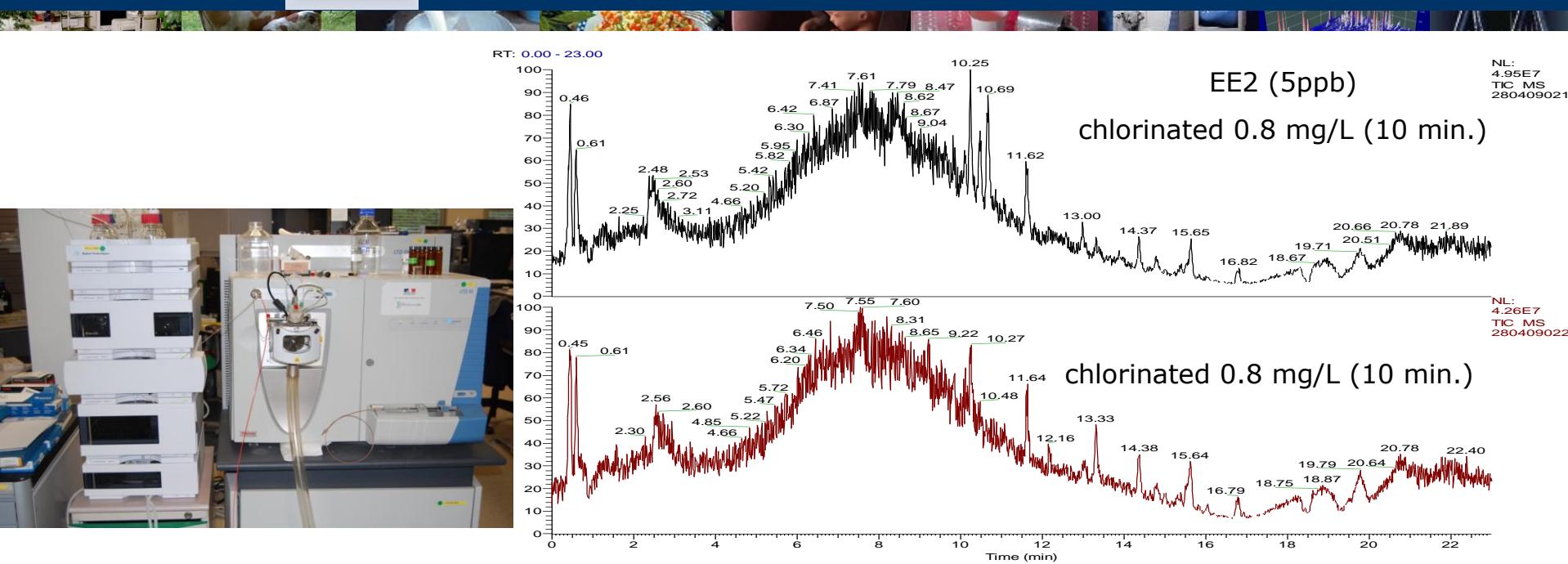
**Each sample extracted twice**

**Each extract injected twice**

**=12 fingerprints**

**=16 fingerprints**

# Methodology: I-Data acquisition



## **Data acquisition of samples:**

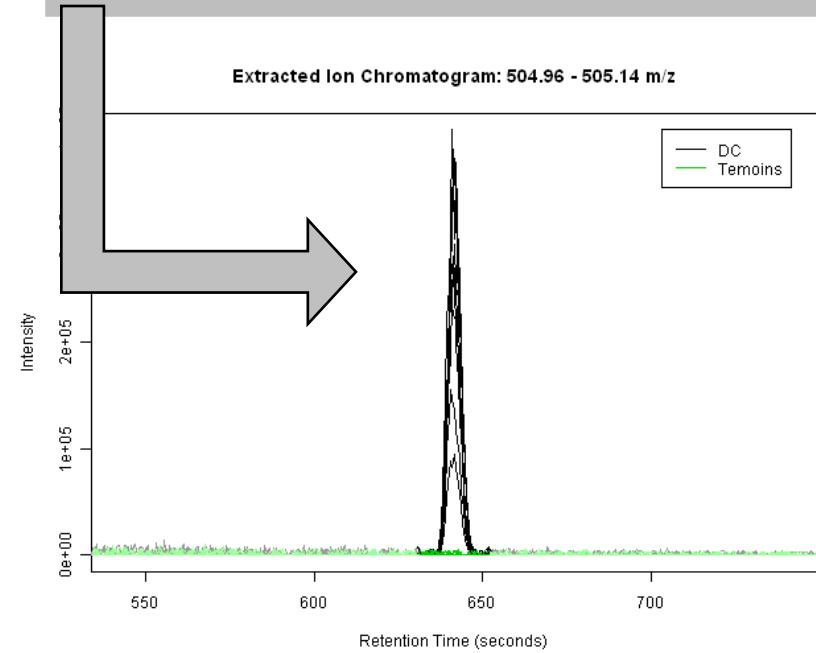
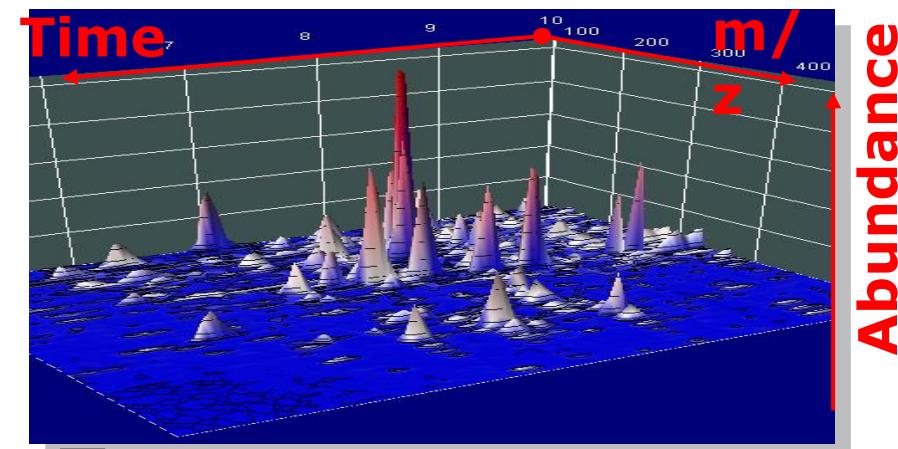
**Extraction:** SPE on Oasis HLB cartridge (500 mL → 100 µL)

**HPLC:** C18 50\*2.1 mm (3µm)

UPW + 0.1% Acet. Acid / Acetonitrile

**(HR)MS:** LTQ-Orbitrap in ESI-

Full scan mode 70-800 Da



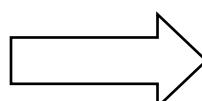
### XCMS software:

Compares fingerprints of samples ( $m/z$ ;  $R_t$  & abundance) inside the group of samples and between groups.

Ions statistically different between groups are listed by order of relevance (p-value)

The software creates Extracted Ion Chromatograms (EIC) for each relevant ion

Visual confirmation of ions relevance



**List of ions that are different (over- or under-expressed) between “treated” and “untreated” samples**

# Methodology:

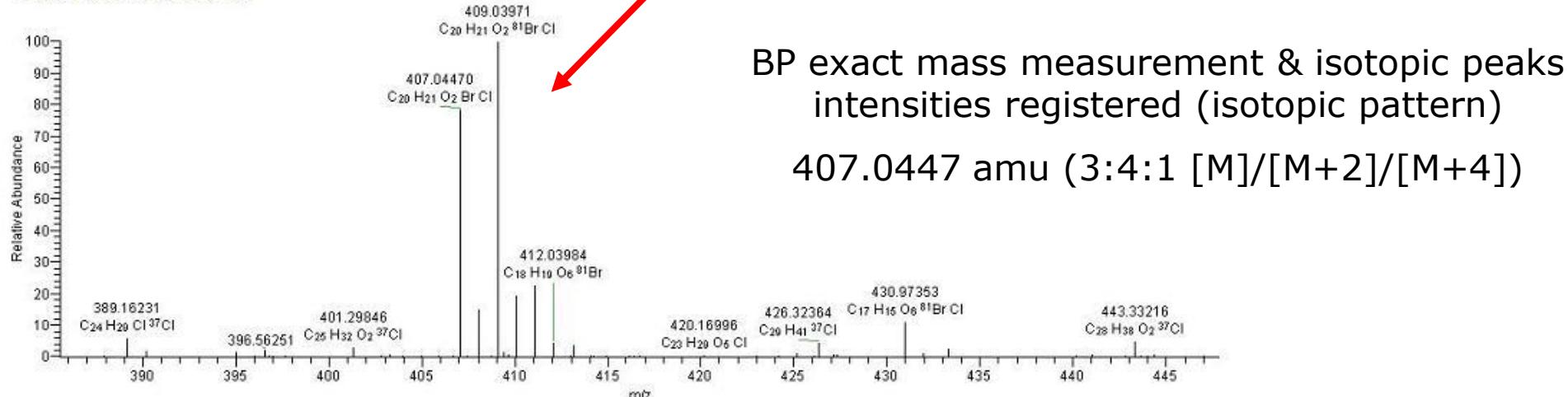
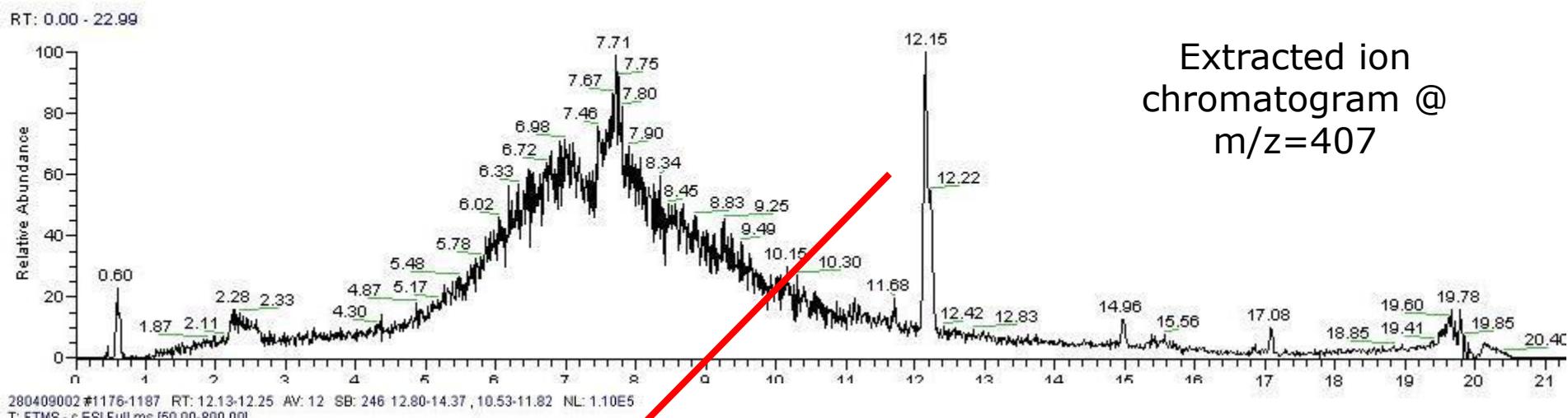
## III-Exact mass measurement & isotopic pattern

**M407T730 : m/z = 407 & R<sub>t</sub> = 730 sec (12.15min) in EE2-spiked chlorinated samples**

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407.0447 amu (3:4:1 [M]/[M+2]/[M+4])

Rt (min.)	observed m/z	raw formula	theoretical m/z	delta(mmu)	R	RDB eq.
12.15	407.0447	C20H22O2ClBr	407.0419	2.8	0.9994	9
		C21H26OBrCl	407.0784	-33.7	0.9993	8
		C18H24O4Cl3	407.0892	-44.5	0.9788	6
		C20H19BrCl2	406.9973	47.4	0.9449	10
		C19H22O3Cl3	407.0954	-50.7	0.9792	5
		C18H14O4ClBr	406.9689	75.8	0.9992	11
		C18H18OCBr2	406.9650	79.7	0.8951	9

Criteria of selection:

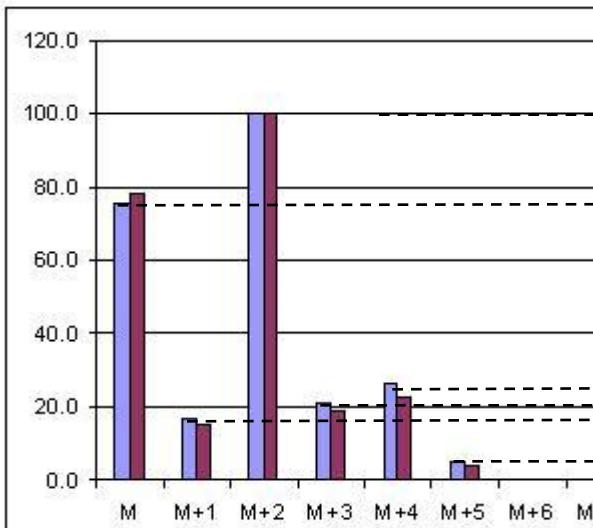
Limited number of elements: C, N,O,H, Br,Cl, P, S,

mass precision:  $\Delta$ mmu<5 mmuIsotopic pattern: R<sup>2</sup> highest possible

RDBeq. Close to EE2 (9)

Nitrogen rules

# Methodology: IV-Raw formula selection

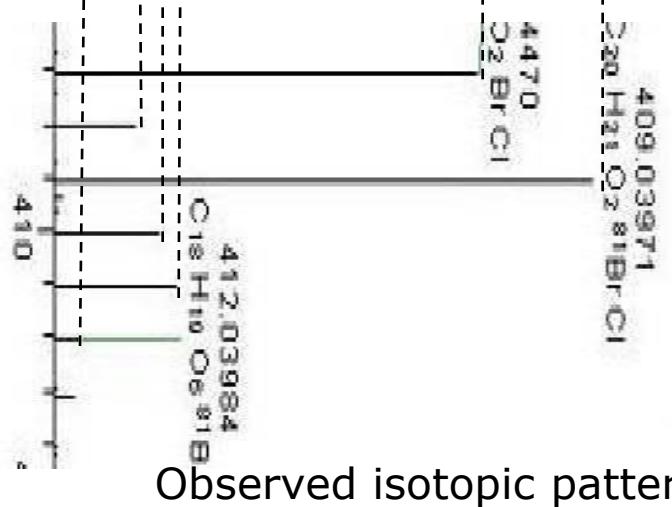
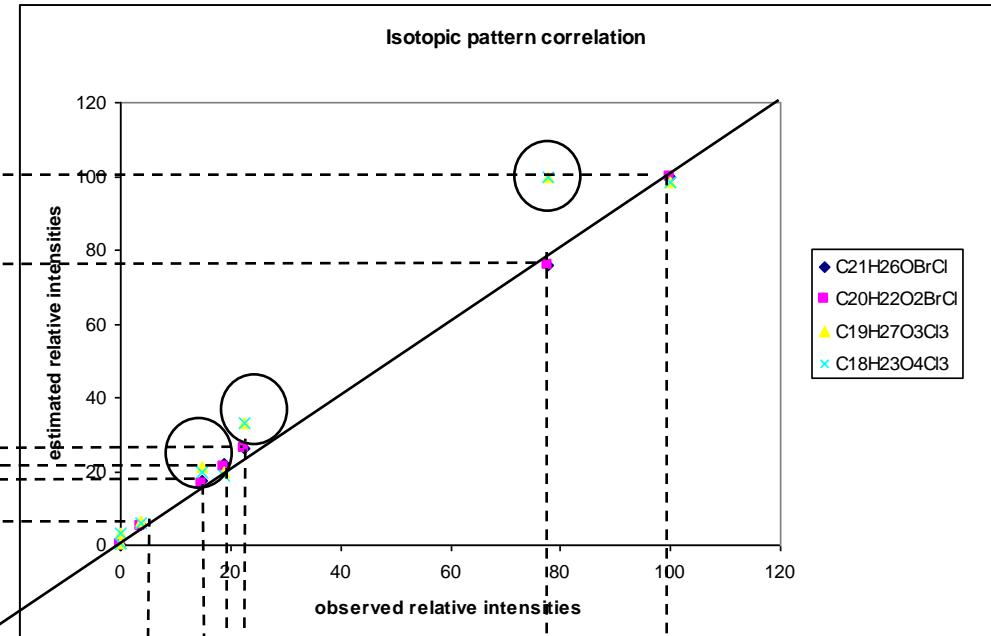


Theoretical pattern

R=1

**Correlation coefficient as high as possible**

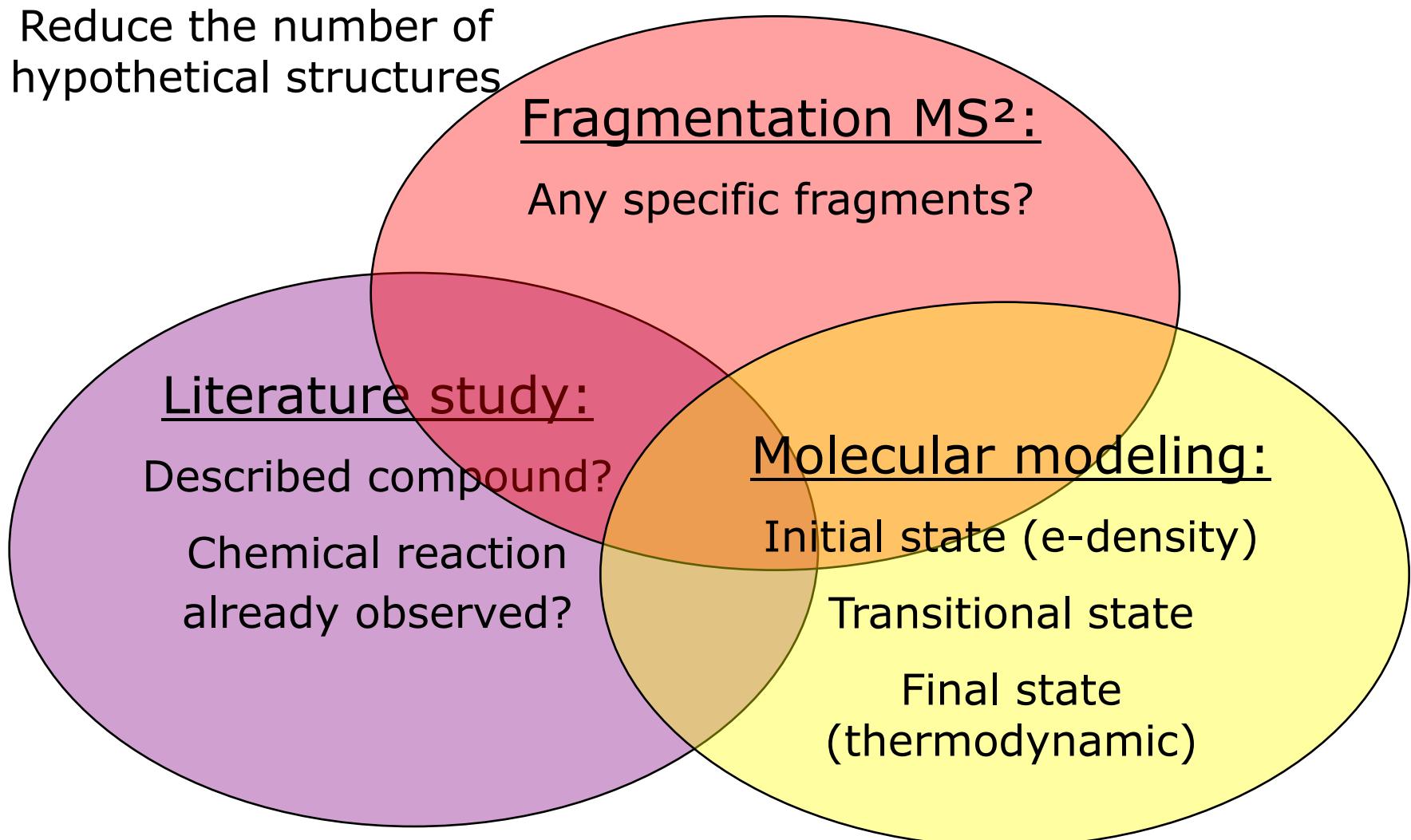
**Especially with halogenated compounds**



Observed isotopic pattern

Propose a structure

Reduce the number of hypothetical structures



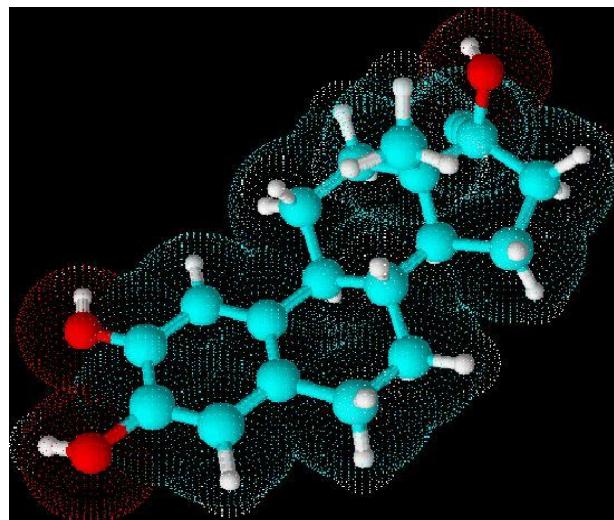
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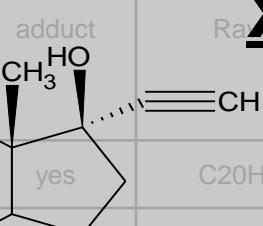
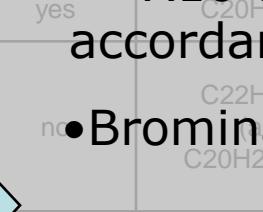
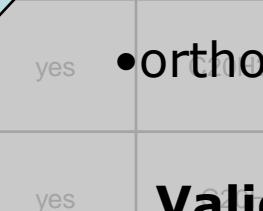
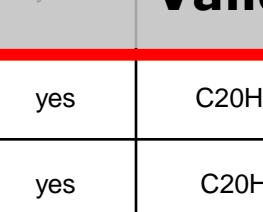
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# Results:

## Highlighted ions & raw formulae selected

Code	Rt (min)	m/z	adduct	Rat <sub>T<sub>0</sub></sub> /T <sub>n</sub>	R <sup>2</sup>	RDB eq.	Intensity (Arb.unit)	Confidence (Arb. unit)	evolution
X1	8,58	418/420		C20H22O4NBr	0.900	0.9952	10	*	+
X2	9,8	102/404		C20H22O3NBr	1.005	0.99926	10	*	+
X3	10,32	370/381/383		C20H22O3Cl2	26.569	0.900	9	**	=
X4	10,5	423/425/427		C20H22O3BrCl	0.262	0.99795	Br	***	=
X5	10,7	467/469/471		C20H22O3Br2	0.221	0.99915	9	**	=
X6	10,85	543/545/547		C22H26O6Br2	0.166	0.99706	9	**	-
X7	11,62	501/503/505/507		C20H22O6N2Br2	0.307	0.99909	9	***	-
X8	11,74	545/547/549/551		C20H22O2BrCl	0.774	0.99937	9	***	--
X9	12,15	407/409/411		C20H22O2BrCl	0.307	0.99909	9	*	***
X10	12,42	451/453/455		C20H22O2Br2	0.774	0.99937	9	***	***

**X10 & X9**

- X10 decreased along the treatment. This is in accordance with disappearance kinetic (Lee, 2009)
- Bromination of EE2 already observed (Nakamura, 2006; Lee, 2009; Flores, 2008)
- ortho positions favored for halogenation \*(mol. Model.)

**Validation of the Identification process**

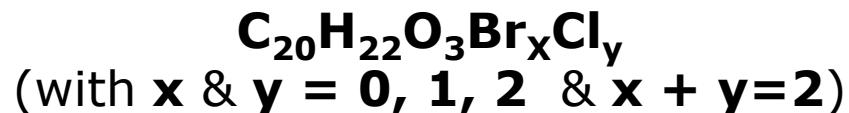
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X7	11,62	501/503/505/507	yes	C20H21O3ClBr2	0.324	0.99717	9	*	*	-
X8	11,74	545/547/549/551	yes	C20H21O3Br3	0.607	0.99886	9	***	**	---
X9	12,15	407/409/411	yes	C20H22O2BrCl	0.307	0.99909	9	*	***	--
X10	12,42	451/453/455	yes	C20H22O2Br2	0.774	0.99937	9	***	***	--

# Results:

## Discussion of X3,X4 and X5 compounds



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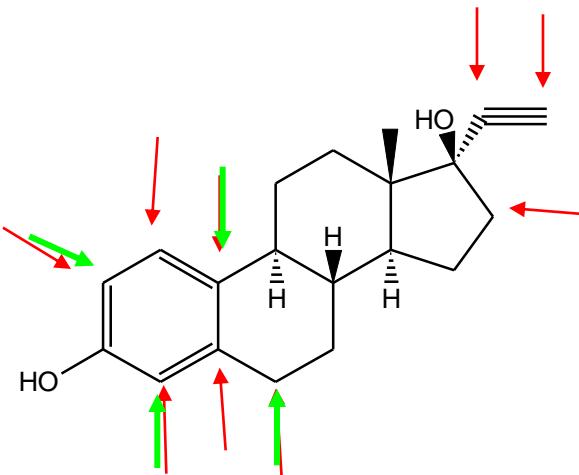
**2 halogens, Where?**

### Literature study:

Oxidation in position 2, 4, 6 & 10

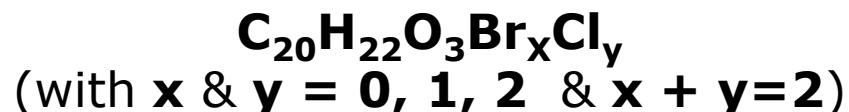
Halogenation is an electrophilic substitution on the A-ring

No reactions on the ethinyl moiety



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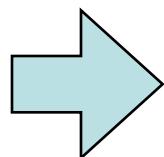
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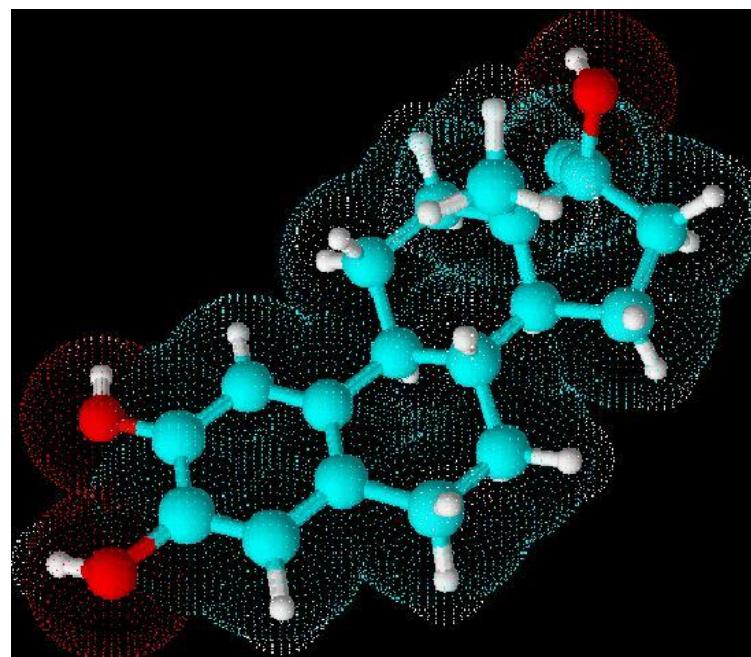
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### **Molecular modeling:**

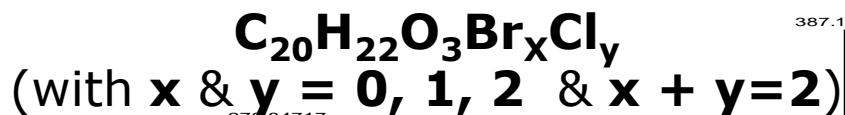


- Transitional state favored halogenations on the A-ring
- Final state favored halogenations on ethinyl group
- Oxidation favorable in C2 position

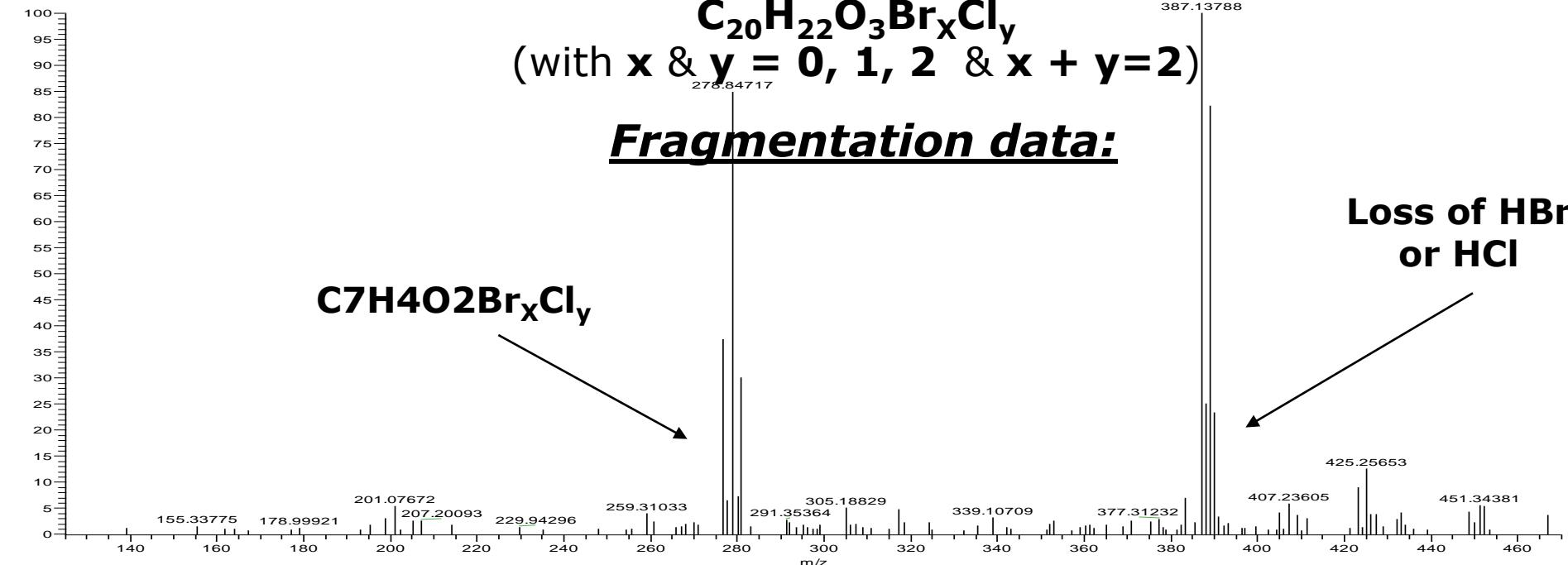


Additional Hydroxyl-group position on EE2	1	2	4	6	10
Heat of formation, $\Delta H_f^\circ$ (kcal)	-82,94	-85,67	-83,06	-82,56	-60,23

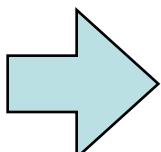
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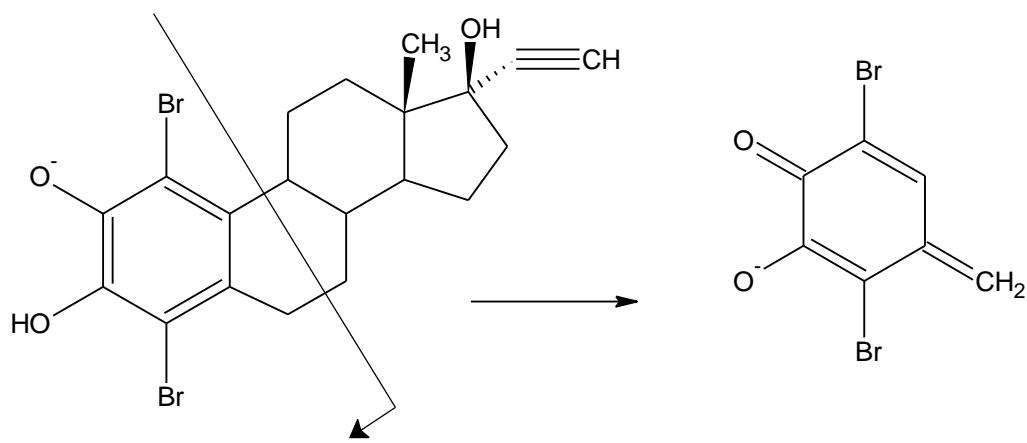
### Fragmentation data:



**Loss of HBr or HCl**



With previous information, only one possibility

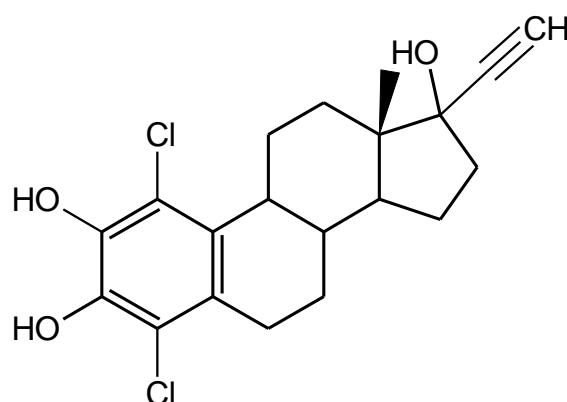


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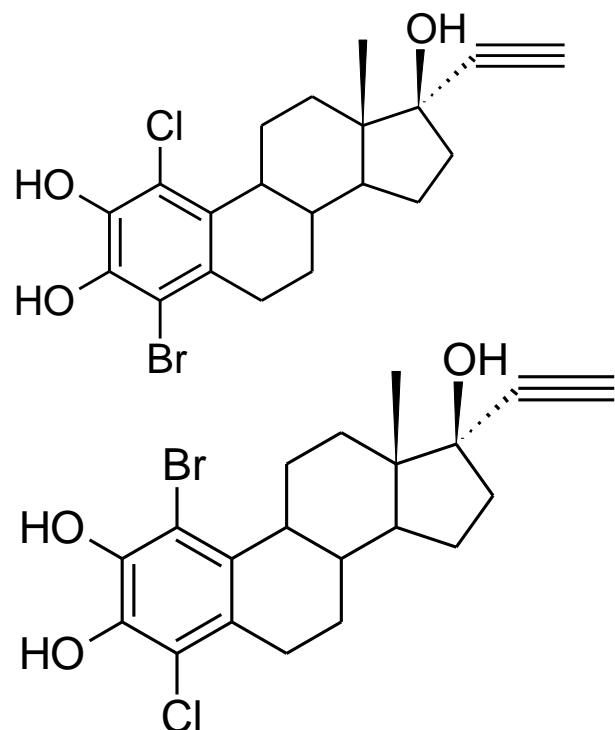
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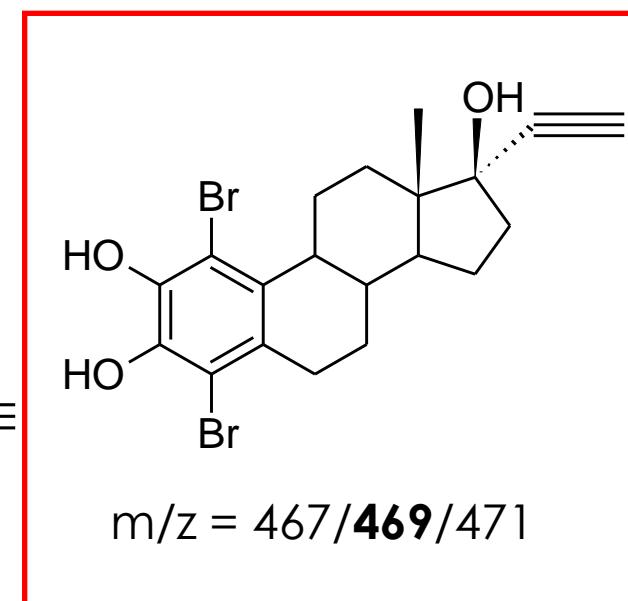
$C_{20}H_{22}O_3Br_xCl_y$   
(with  $x$  &  $y = 0, 1, 2$  &  $x + y=2$ )



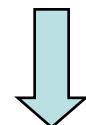
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**Main By-products of EE2**

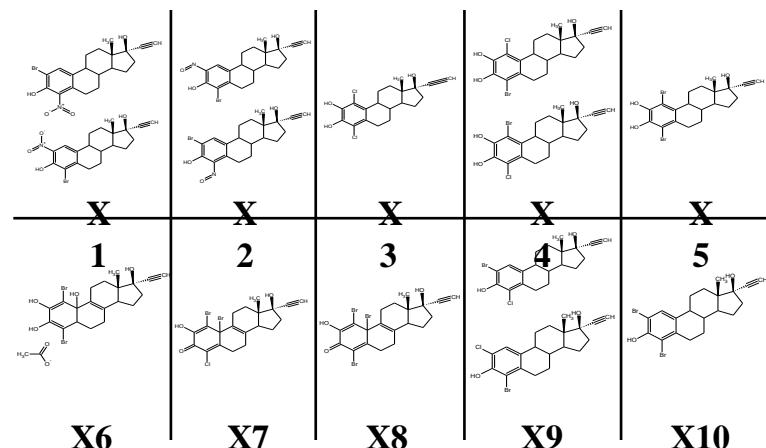
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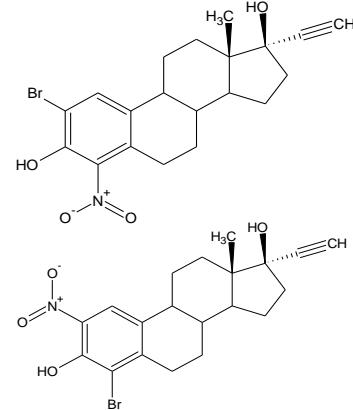
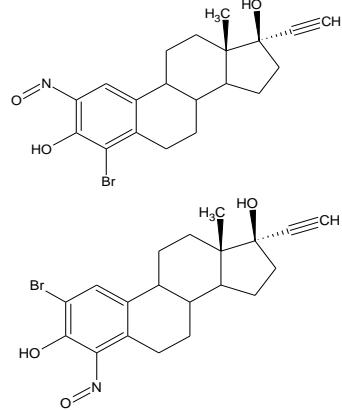
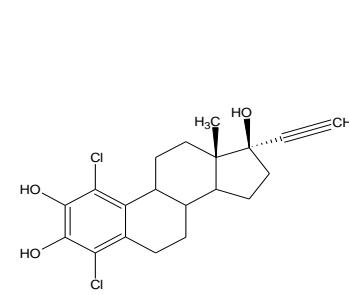
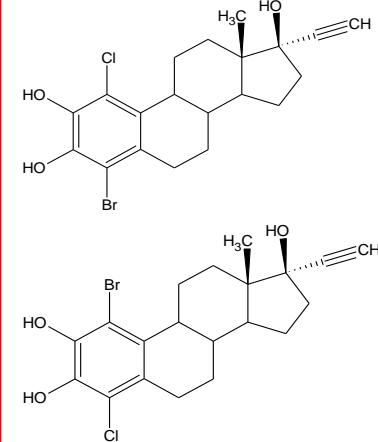
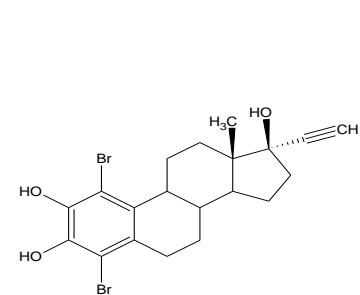
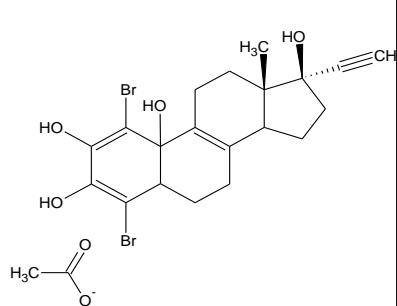
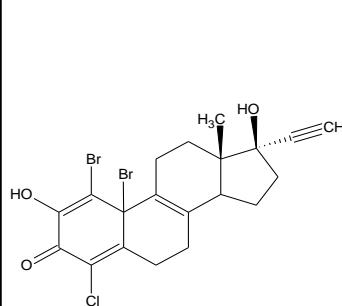
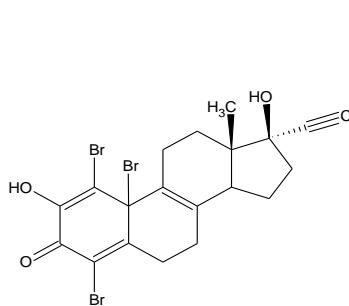
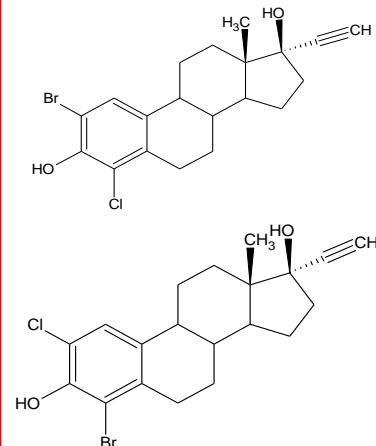
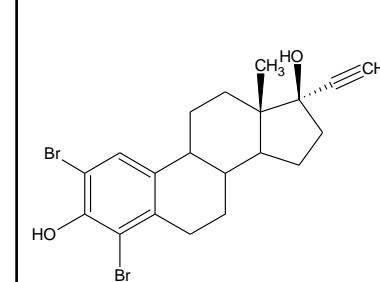
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# Conclusion

**X1****X2****X3****X4****X5****X6****X7****X8****X9****X10**

# Conclusion

## Perspectives:

- Develop targeted analysis of identified BPs to reach observable amounts (<1 ng/L)
- Confirm these BPs in DWTP by (LC-MS/MS)
- Apply this identification process to other kind of treatment (ozonation, etc.)
- Apply this identification process to other EDCs (Estrone-sulfate, etc.)
- Evaluate BPs Toxicity (probably lower than EE2)

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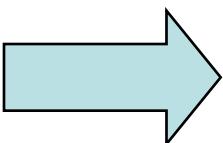
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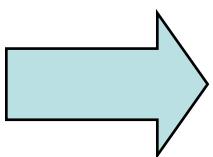
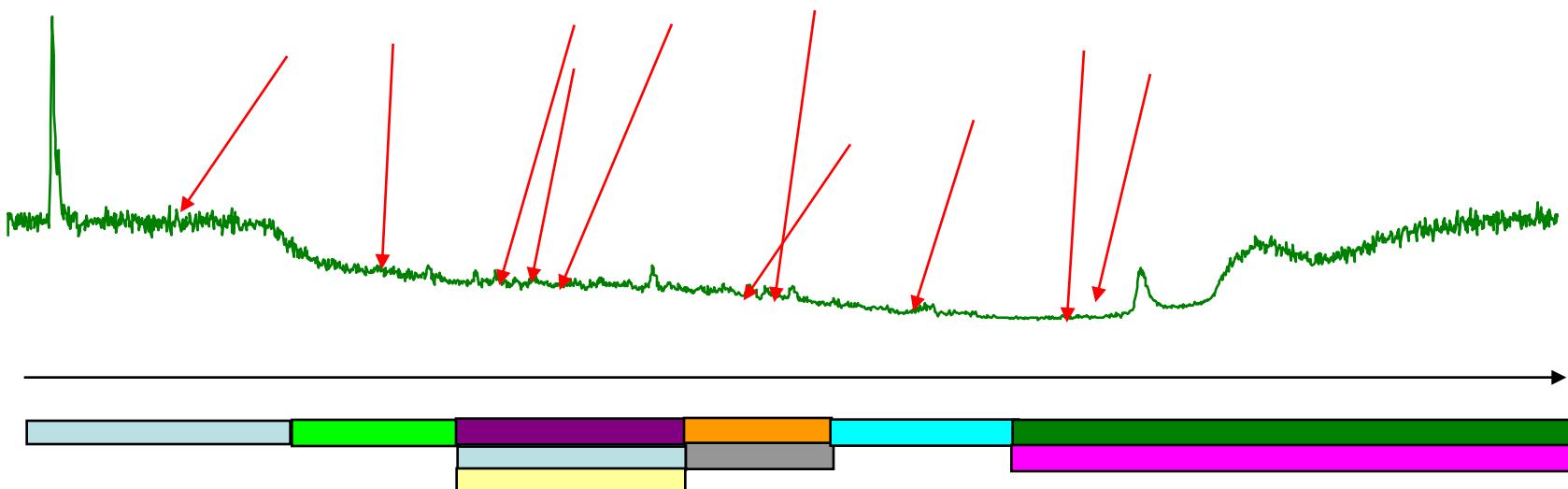
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# Techniques for BPs Identification:

## Structural elucidation

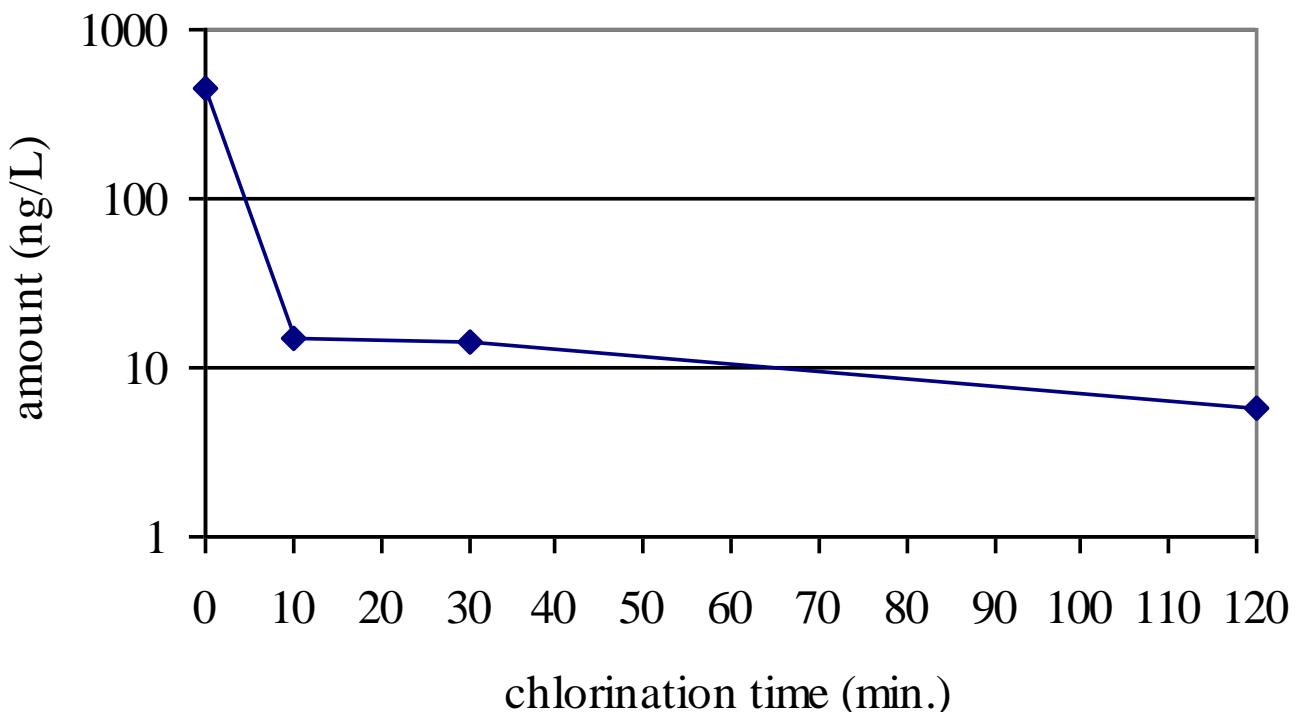


If XCMS highlights 10 compounds



Create 10 MS/MS functions centered on the isotopic pattern  
of the parent ion with a 6 Da « Iso-width »

EE2 amount measured during chlorination (\*)



\*data from CAE, VEOLIA Environment