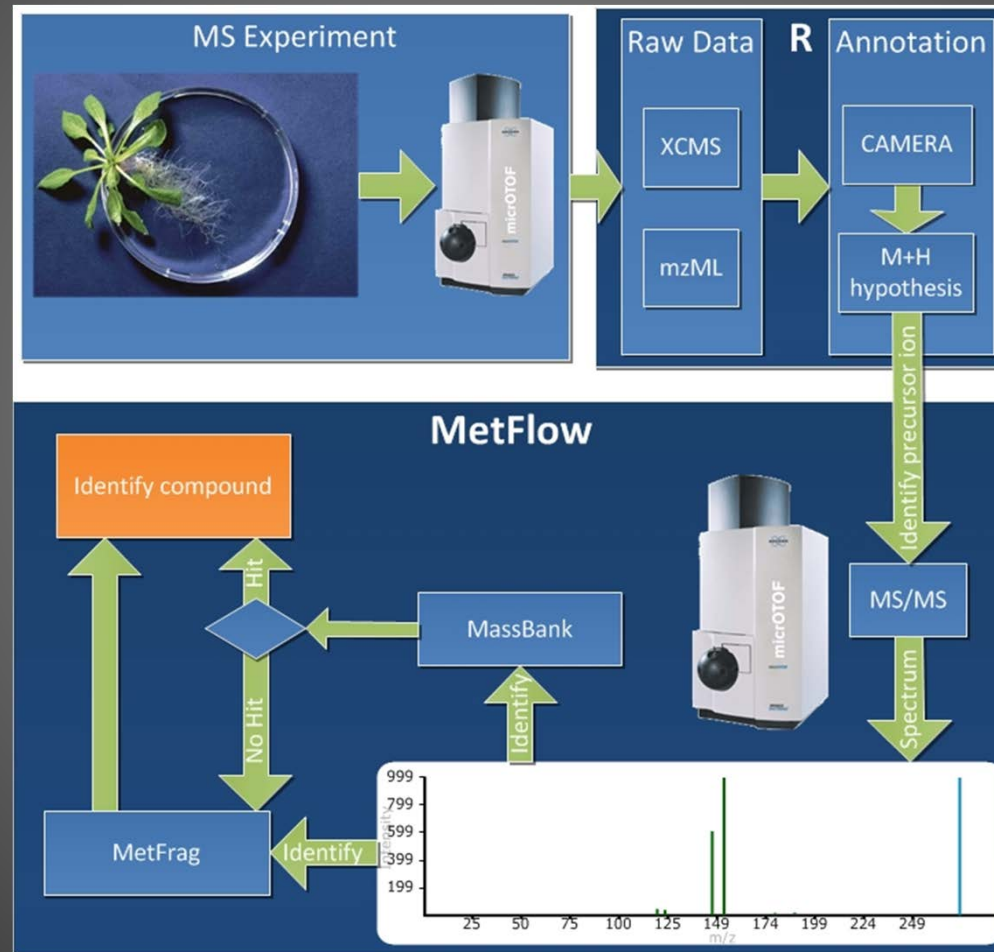


# MetFusion: integration of compound identification strategies

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# Introduction

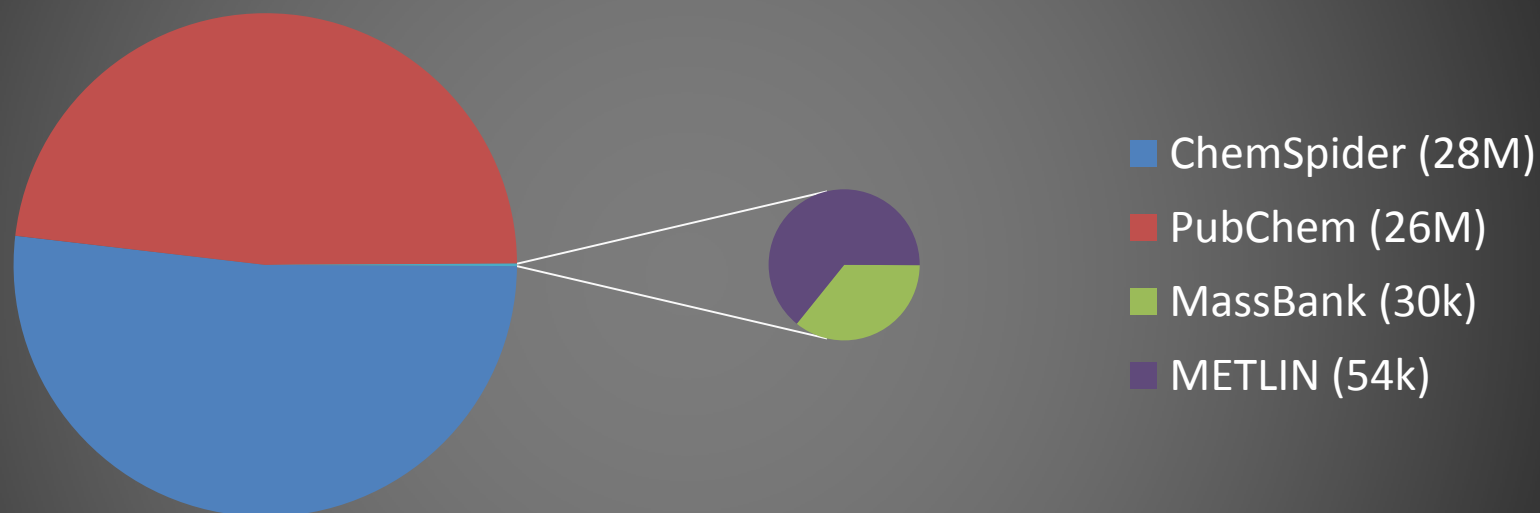


# Structures & Spectra

- Target list of interesting MS<sup>2</sup> spectra
- Requires expert knowledge
  - Time-consuming
  - Impossible to keep track of high-throughput
- Only small fraction of compounds has associated reference spectrum
  - Required for speed-up in re-identification
  - Difficult to use for *de novo* identification

# Structures vs. Spectra Imbalance

Database Entries



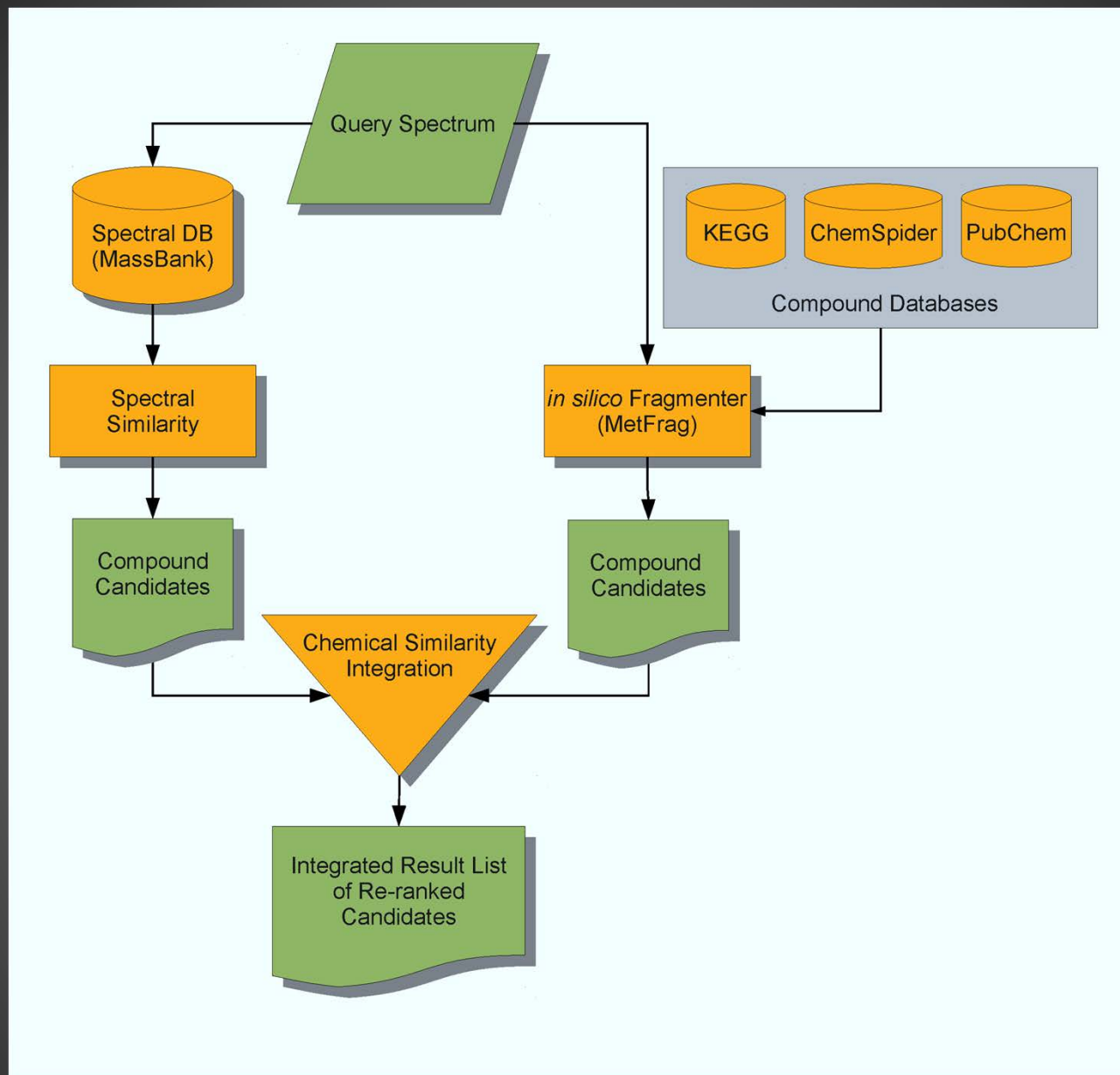
- Millions vs. thousands, overlap unknown
- Spectrum queries not possible for compound databases

# Observation vs. Prediction

- Observation: MassBank
  - Search measured spectra with peak list
  - Find compounds with matching/similar spectrum
  - Few reliable results
- Prediction: MetFrag
  - Combinatorial Fragmenter
  - Generate fragments *in silico*, matches to peak list
  - Uses compound databases, many possible predicted results

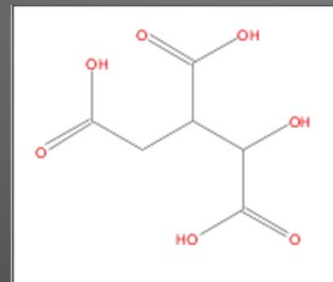
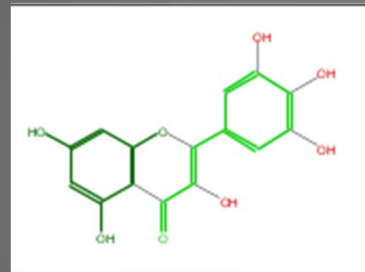
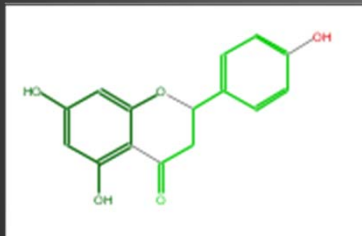
# MetFusion = Observation, Prediction & Similarity

- Combine results via chemical similarity
  - Structural fingerprints
  - Use each information (score)
  - Avoid strict limits/thresholds
- Aim: improve identification
  - Assume that correct compound is present in compound database (larger coverage)
  - Enhance MetFrag results with spectral data
  - DOI [10.1002/jms.3123](https://doi.org/10.1002/jms.3123)

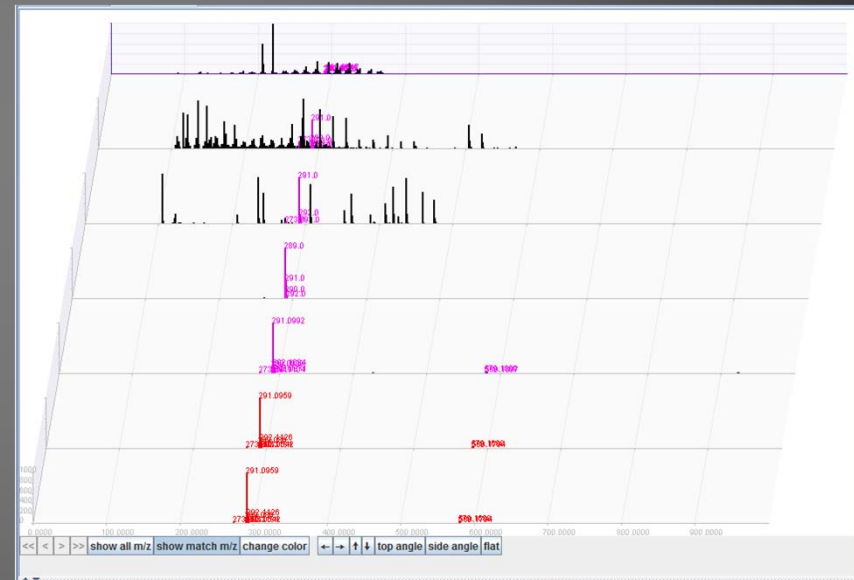


# What is similar?

## Chemical Similarity



## Spectral Similarity





# Similarity Measures

## Chemical Similarity

- Tanimoto coefficient matches properties

- $Tan = \frac{C}{A+B-C}$

- [0,1]

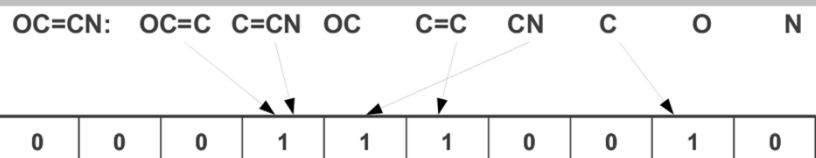
## Spectral Similarity

- Modified Cosine distance
- Matches peak masses & intensities

- $W_i = int_i^m * m/z_i^n$

- [0,1]

Path based (FP2): Paths of up to  $n$  atoms are generated and hashed to set the bits



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# Similarity Matrix

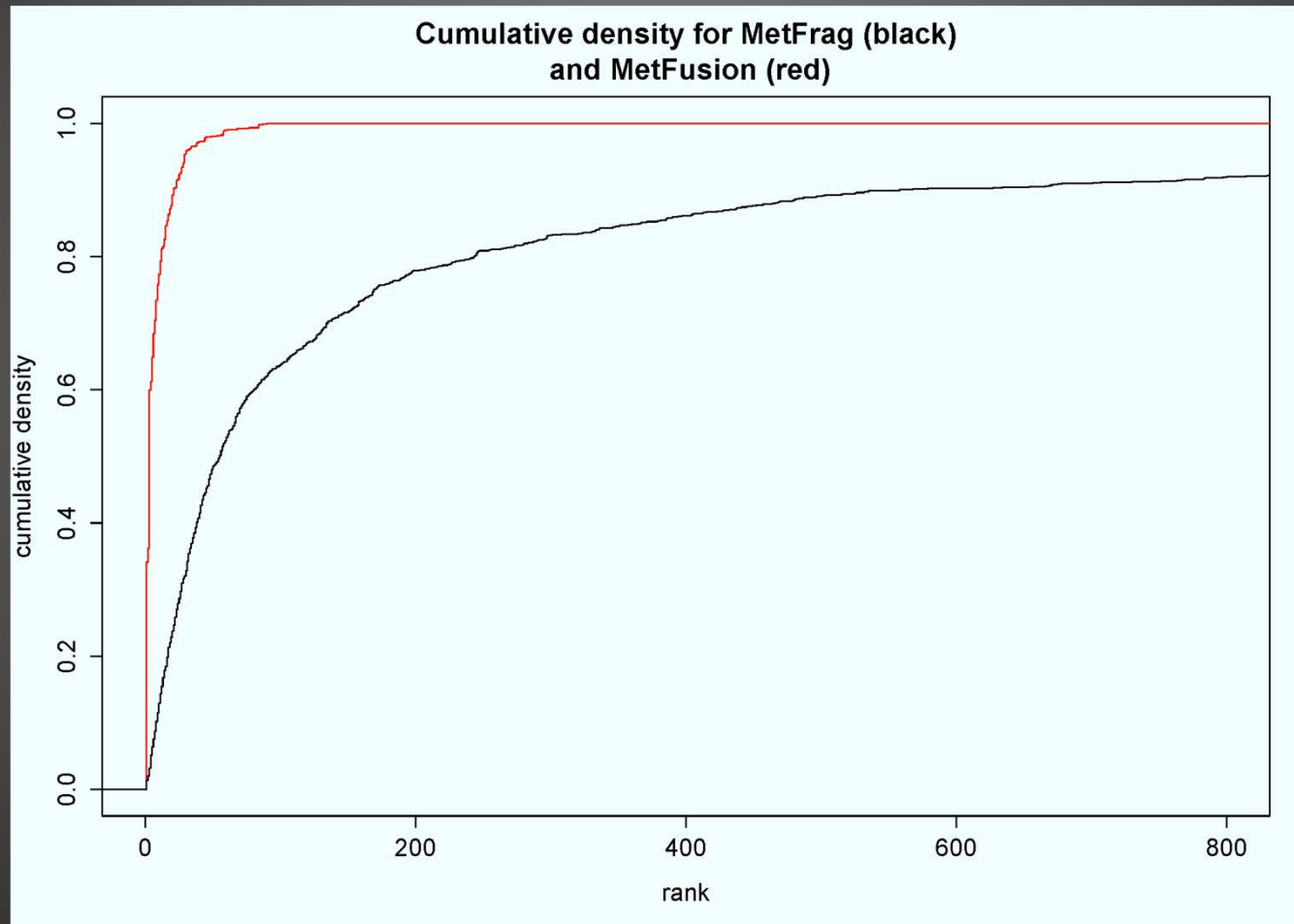
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C00509[1.000]	1	0,299	0,721	0,632	0,14	0,152	0,106	0,464	0,106	0,338
C16232[1.000]	0,916	0,293	0,687	0,617	0,14	0,152	0,1	0,468	0,1	0,365
C06561[0.966]	0,299	1	0,252	0,243	0,102	0,142	0,097	0,445	0,097	0,259
C12087[0.966]	0,25	0,316	0,24	0,243	0,122	0,212	0,089	0,328	0,089	0,32
C14458[0.966]	0,618	0,316	0,5	0,45	0,113	0,149	0,091	0,38	0,091	0,289
C09826[0.909]	0,9	0,289	0,701	0,629	0,126	0,153	0,102	0,494	0,102	0,35
C03567[0.462]	0,582	0,316	0,479	0,442	0,11	0,149	0,088	0,379	0,088	0,292
C09614[0.462]	0,913	0,292	0,699	0,624	0,14	0,155	0,1	0,478	0,1	0,36
C09751[0.443]	0,904	0,292	0,704	0,632	0,132	0,152	0,102	0,504	0,102	0,354
C09047[0.426]	0,376	0,411	0,332	0,322	0,119	0,141	0,077	0,6	0,077	0,248
C17673[0.426]	0,355	0,323	0,322	0,303	0,133	0,12	0,082	0,37	0,082	0,434
C15567[0.409]	0,538	0,286	0,486	0,454	0,12	0,146	0,077	0,382	0,077	0,311
C01263[0.350]	0,5	0,221	0,484	0,475	0,111	0,109	0,051	0,435	0,051	0,346
C01592[0.133]	0,469	0,366	0,343	0,3	0,126	0,144	0,136	0,23	0,136	0,221
C08578[0.110]	0,298	0,946	0,252	0,247	0,098	0,142	0,092	0,47	0,092	0,272

$$S_i = \alpha MF_i + (1 - \alpha) \sum_{j=1}^N sig(MB_j * Tan_{i,j})$$

# Results

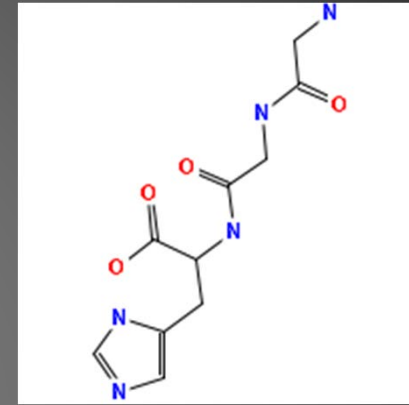
- Test data set: 1099 spectra
  - Secondary metabolites, drugs, toxins, ...
  - 344 unique compounds
  - Spectra from Hill et al., RIKEN & IPB
- Median rank of correct compound improved
  - MetFrag: 28
  - MetFusion: 7
- Works when informative spectra are present, but also when there is loss of information

# MetFrag vs. MetFusion

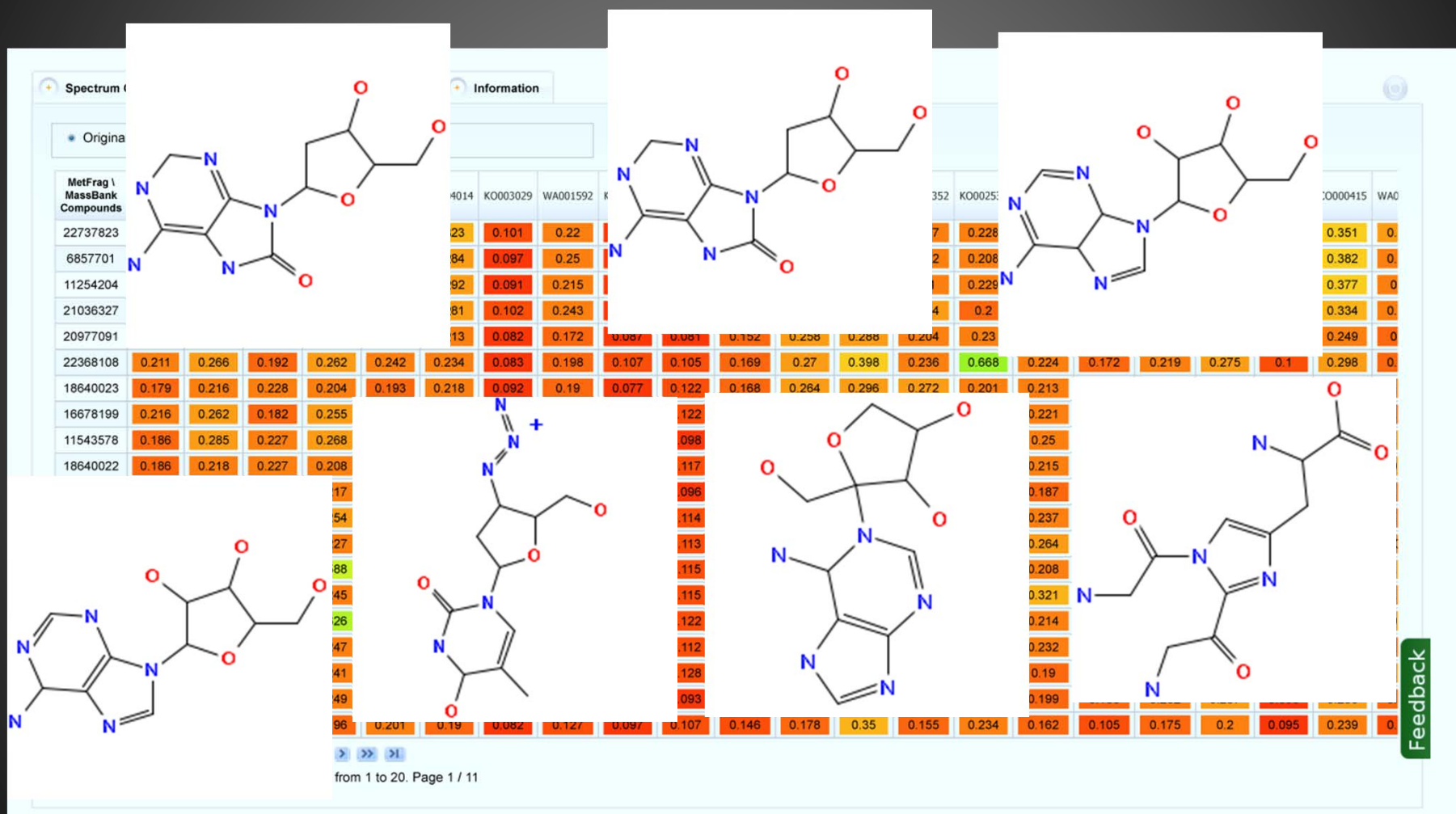


# Example

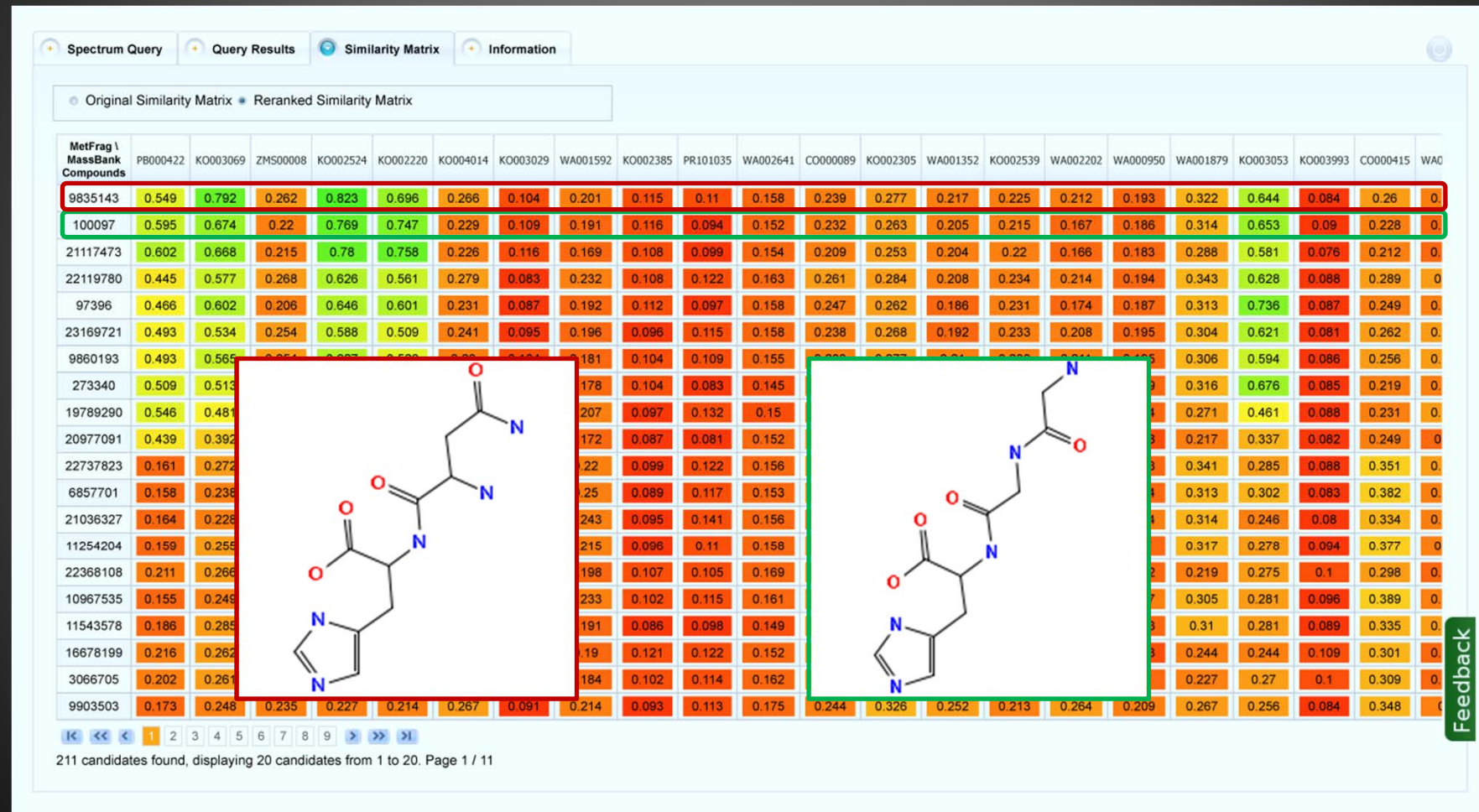
- Tripeptide Gly-Gly-His
- 269.2572 Da
- QqQ spectrum from NIST
  - Nominal masses, modified MetFrag parameters
  - mzabs 0.1 da, mzppm 30ppm
- No tri- or polypeptides present in MassBank
  - But amino acids present



# Original Similarity Matrix



# Re-ranked Similarity Matrix



# Recent additions

- MassBank alternatives
  - Metlin, 54.000 MS2 spectra
  - GMD, 8.800 GC-MS spectra with RI
- HMDB access pending

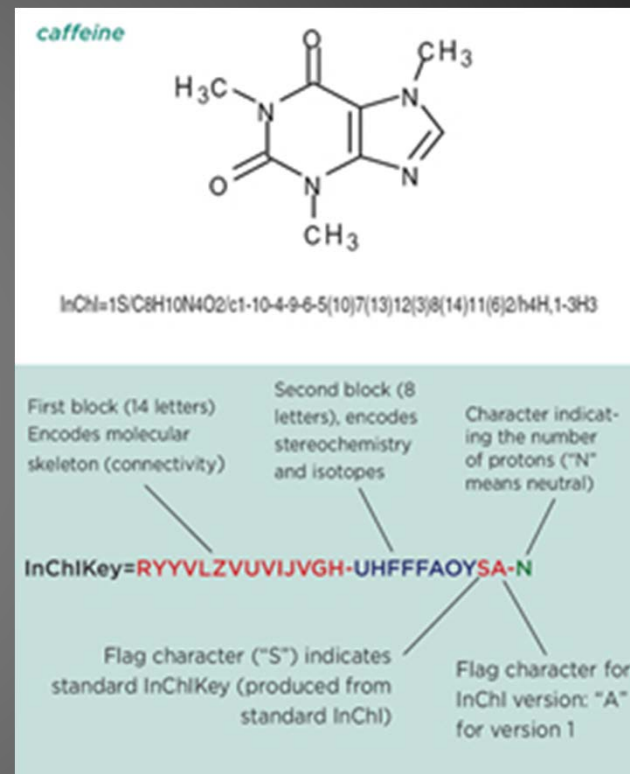


# InChIKey-based filtering

- MetFrag candidate list often > 1000
- Lots of stereoisomers per candidate
- Results in clusters, valuable information scarce
- Use connectivity information from first part of InChIKey to retain only one representative per candidate
- Smaller list of candidates

# InChIKey

- First part connectivity
- Second part stereochemistry



- Image taken from [http://www.iupac.org/publications/ci/2009/3105/iw6\\_inchi.htm](http://www.iupac.org/publications/ci/2009/3105/iw6_inchi.htm)

# Summary

- Combine reference data & prediction
- Improves rank of correct compound
- Access multiple tools within one webpage
  - SDF & XLS export
- Available as web app  
**<http://msbi.ipb-halle.de/MetFusion/>**

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