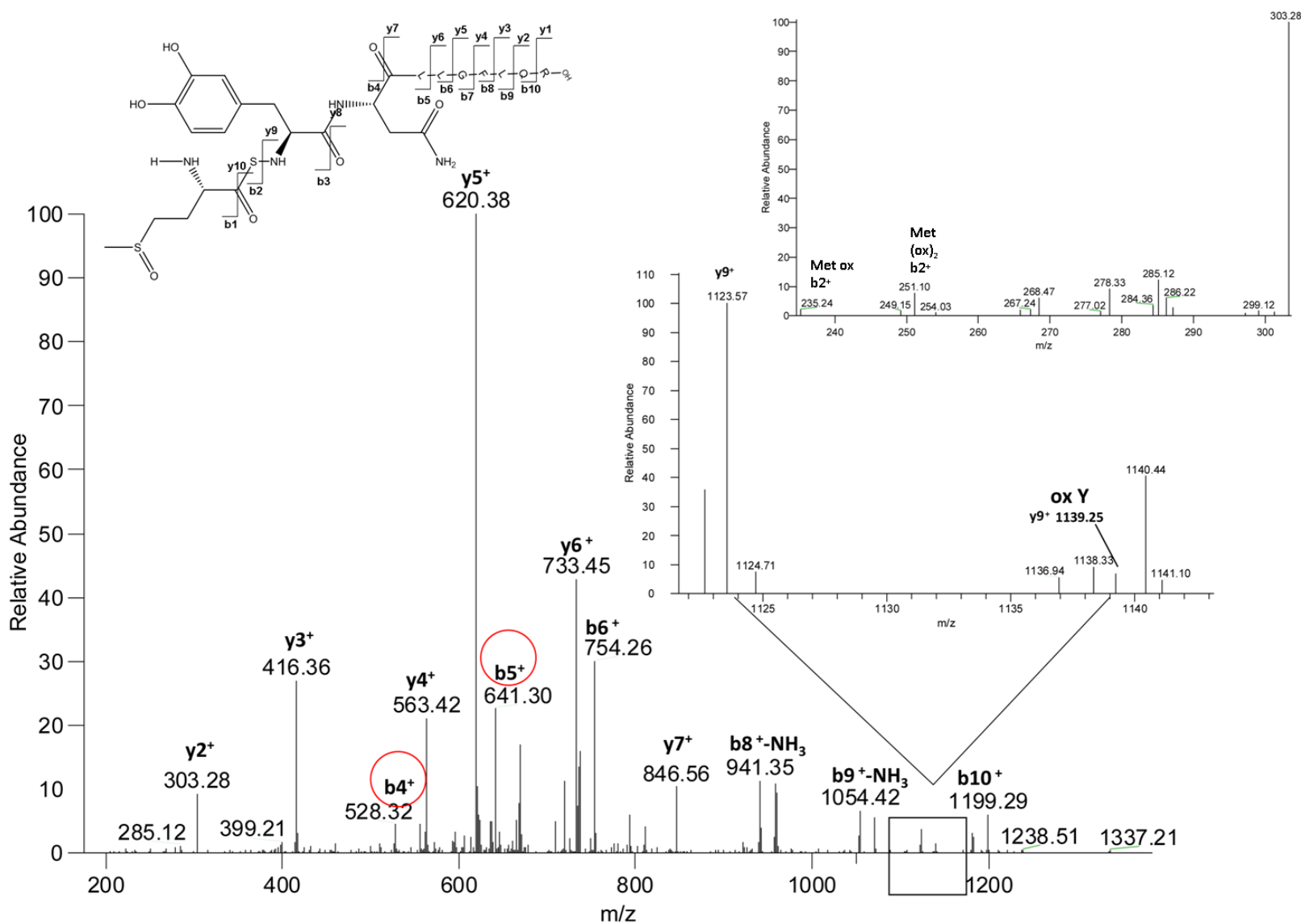
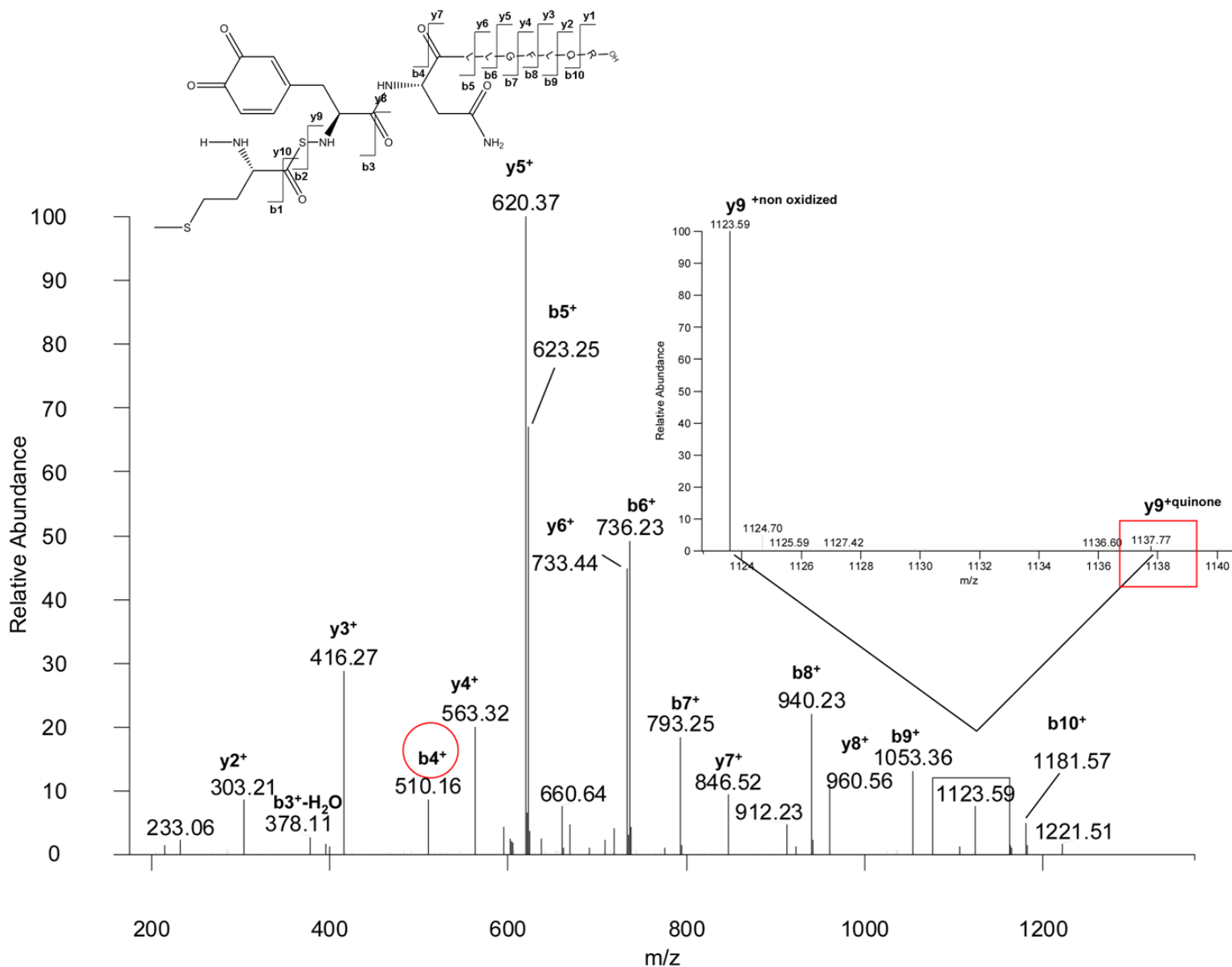


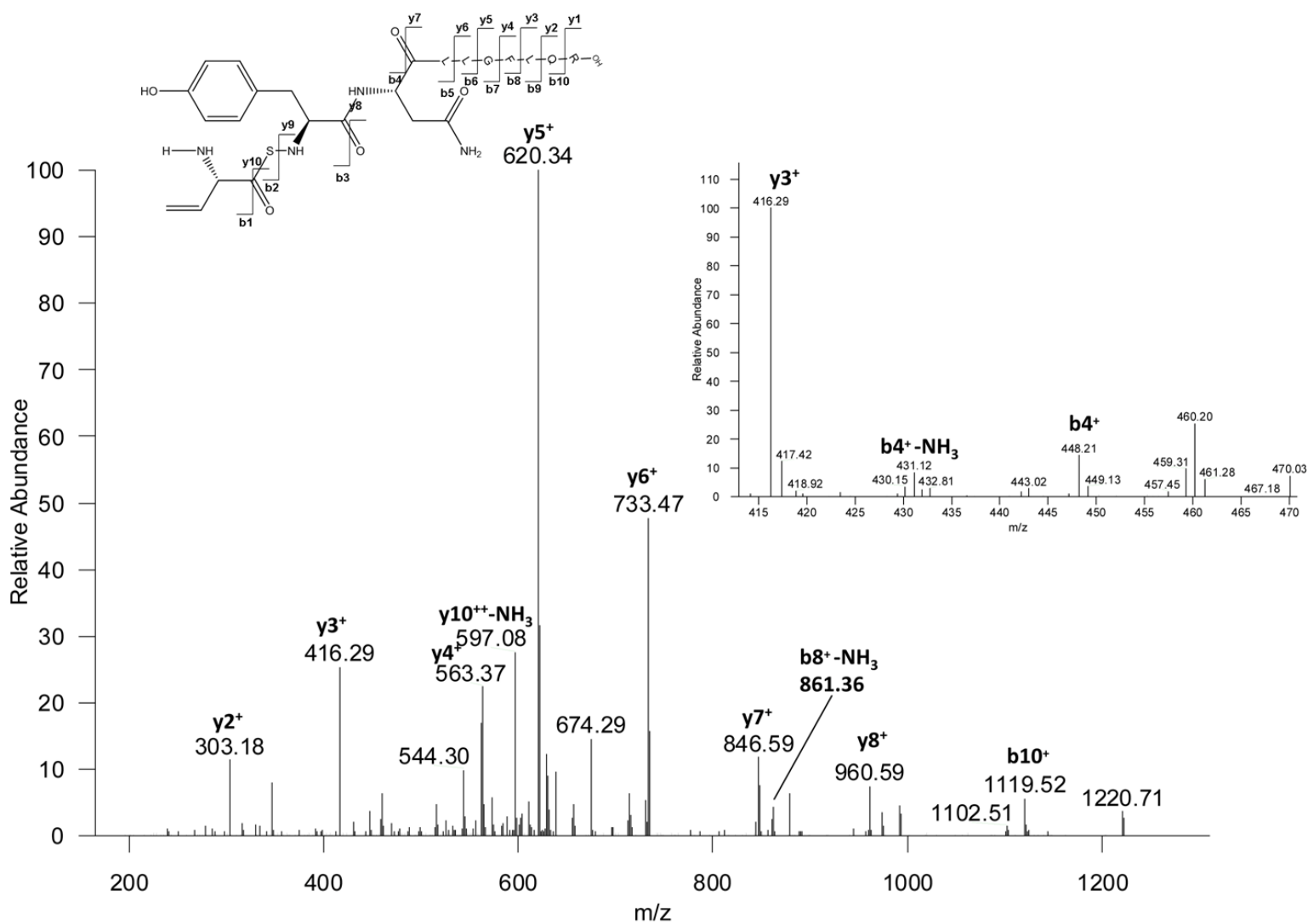
**Figure S1** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **M<sub>1</sub>SYNLLGFLQR<sub>11</sub>** (theoretical mass 1356.70, experimental  $m/z$  679.35  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from parent peptide 0.00).



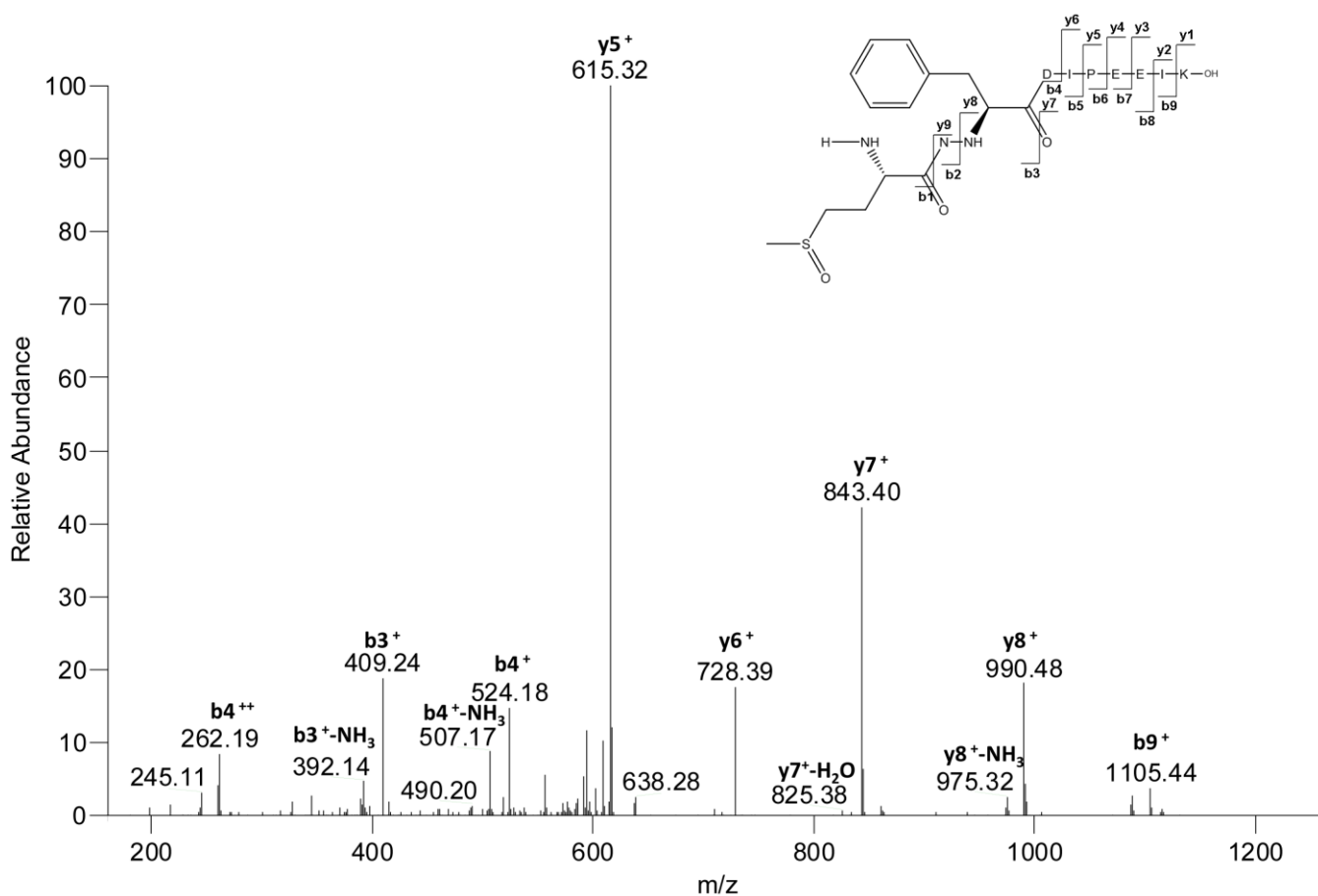
**Figure S2** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+32 Da) sequence  $M_1SYNLLGFLQR_{11}$  (theoretical mass 1372.69, experimental  $m/z$  687.35  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from parent peptide +0.01).



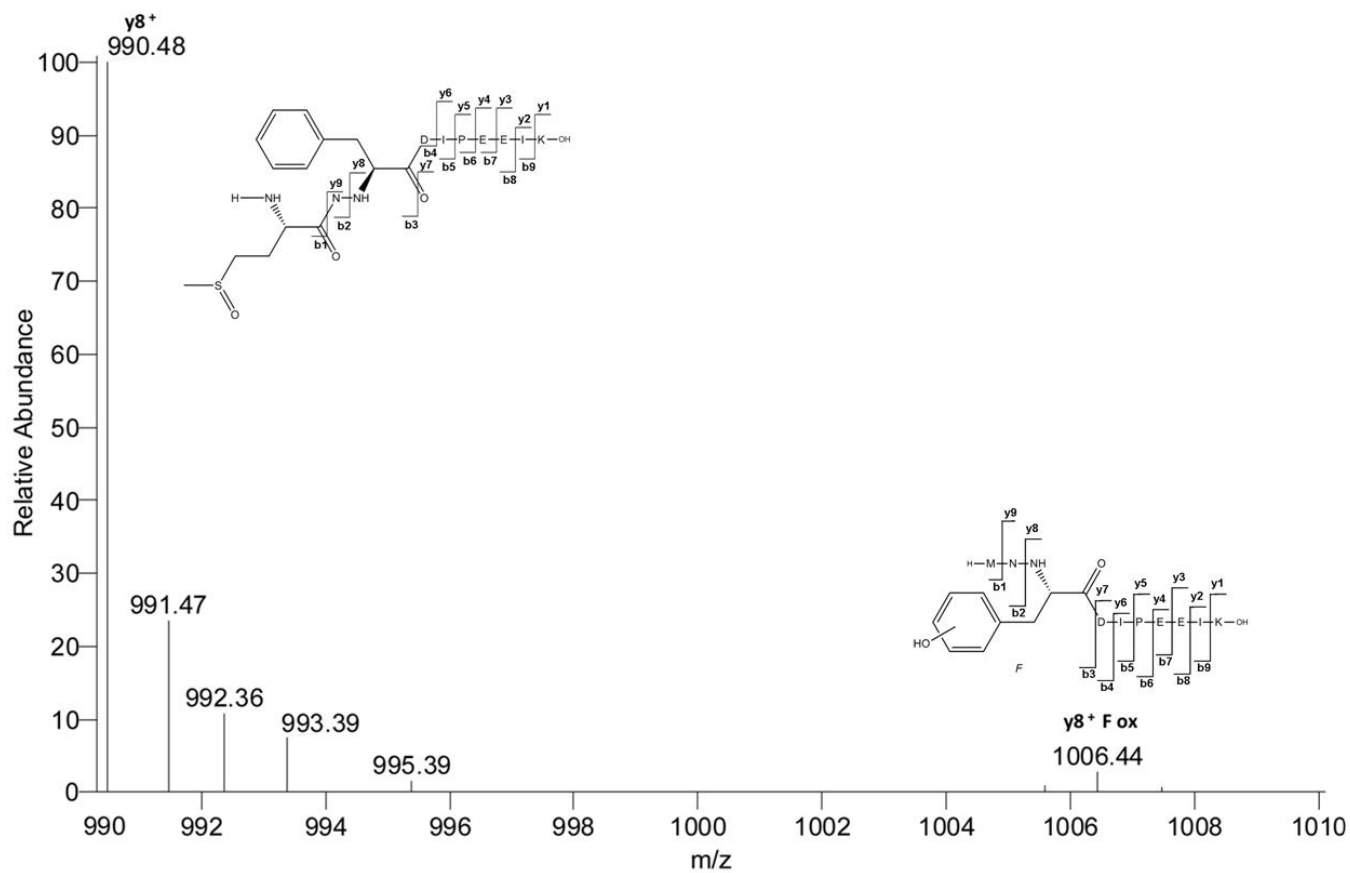
**Figure S3** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+14 Da) sequence **M<sub>1</sub>SYNLLGFLQR<sub>11</sub>** (theoretical  $m/z$  1354.68, experimental  $m/z$  678.34  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from parent peptide 0.00).



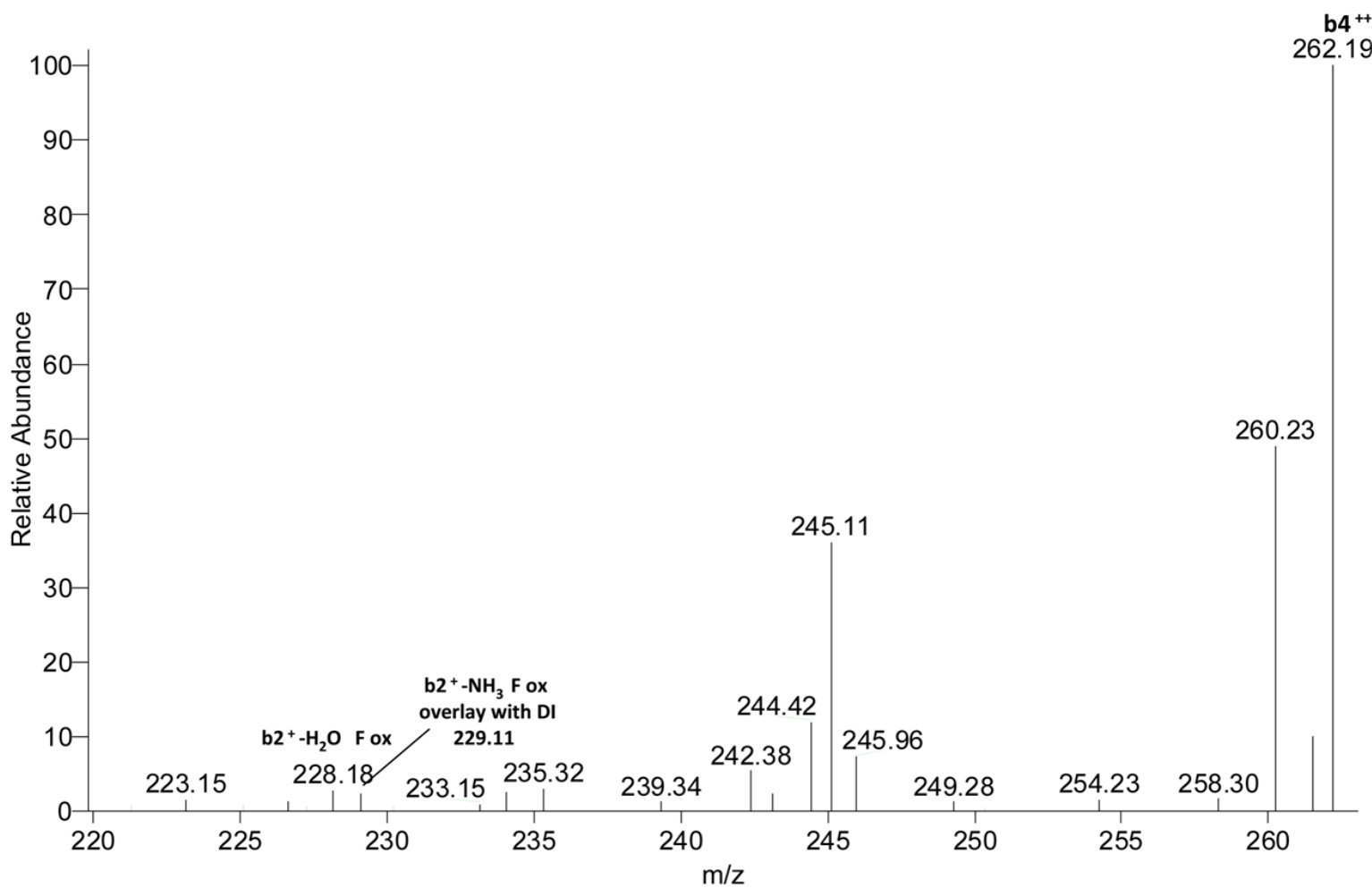
**Figure S4** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the modify sequence **M<sub>1</sub>SYNLLGFLQR<sub>11</sub>**, where loss of methane sulfenic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>SOH, -64 Da) occurred as a consequence of Met1 oxidation. For comparison, please refer to Figure S1, where the MS/MS spectrum for the same sequence containing oxidized Met1 (+16 Da) is shown (theoretical *mass* 1292.68, experimental *m/z* 647.35 [M+H]<sup>2+</sup>, Δ*m* from parent peptide +0.02).



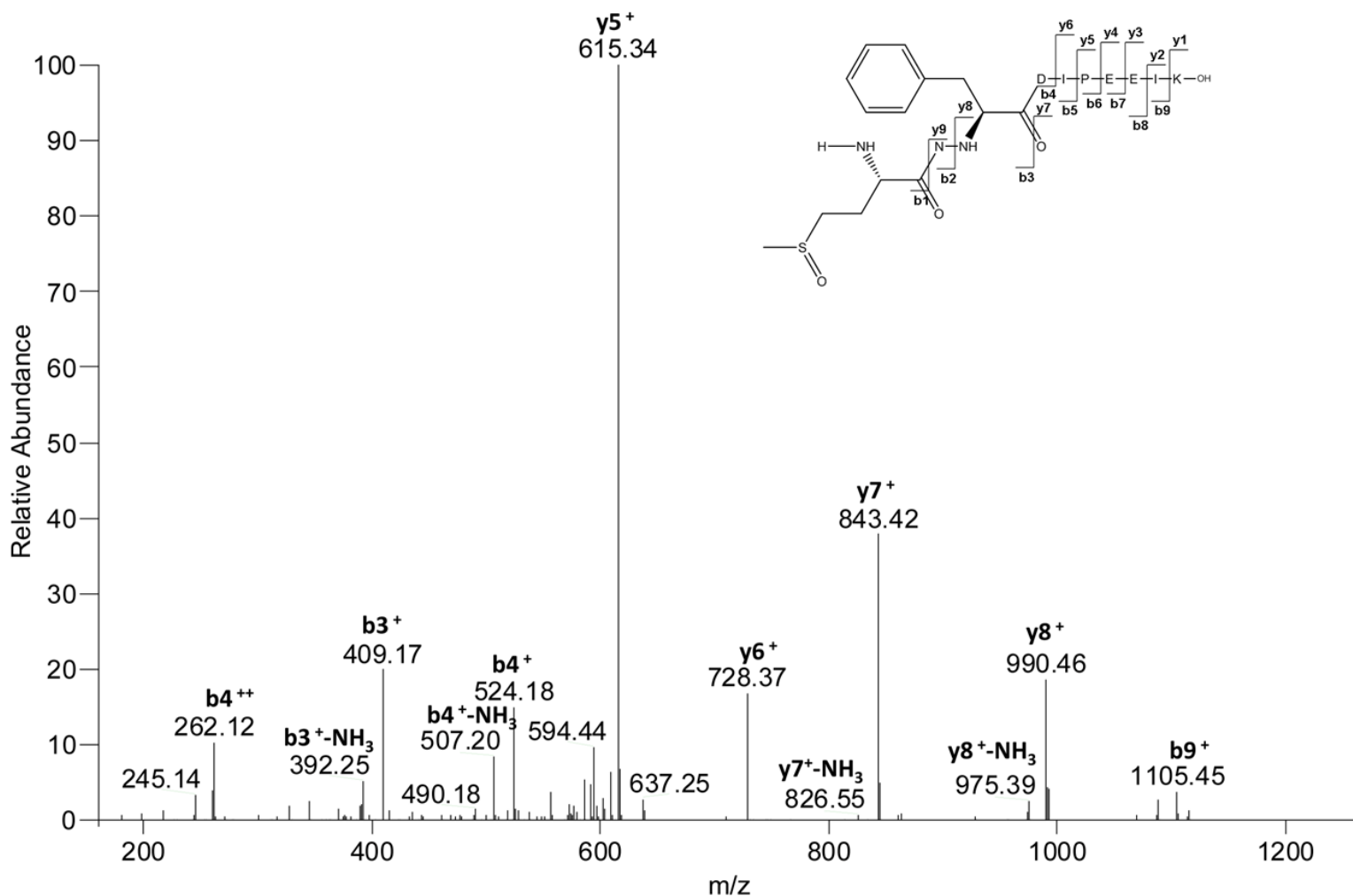
**Figure S5a** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **M<sub>36</sub>NFDIPEEIK<sub>45</sub>** (theoretical *mass* 1250.59, experimental *m/z* 626.30 [M+H]<sup>2+</sup>, Δ*m* from native parent peptide +0.01). Note that either Met36 or Phe38 is oxidized.



**Figure S5b** Zoom in (m/z range 988-1010) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S5a and suggested chemical structures for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence  $M_{36}NFDIPEEIK_{45}$  in which either Met or Phe is oxidized.

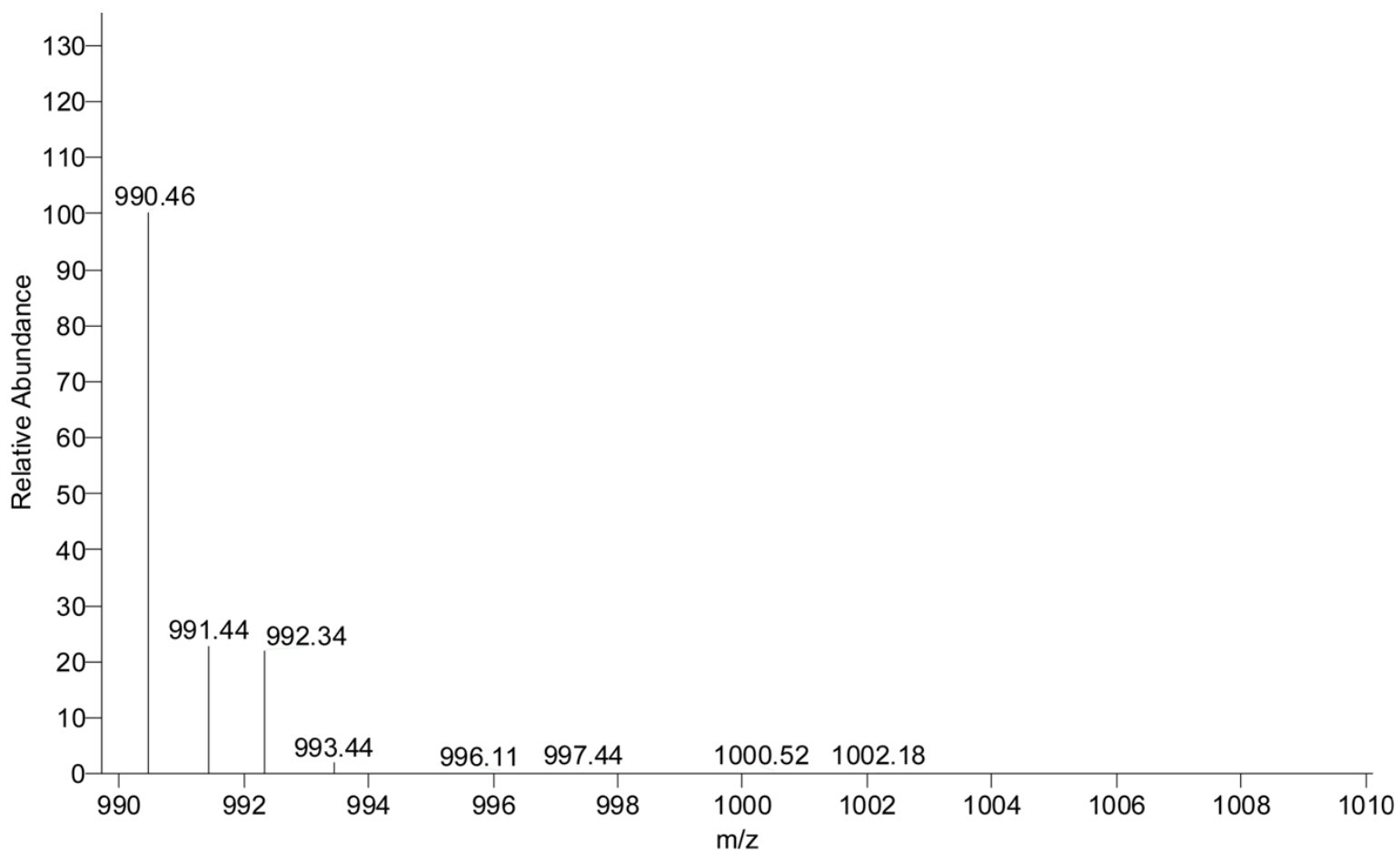


**Figure S5c** Zoom in ( $m/z$  range 220-265) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S5a.

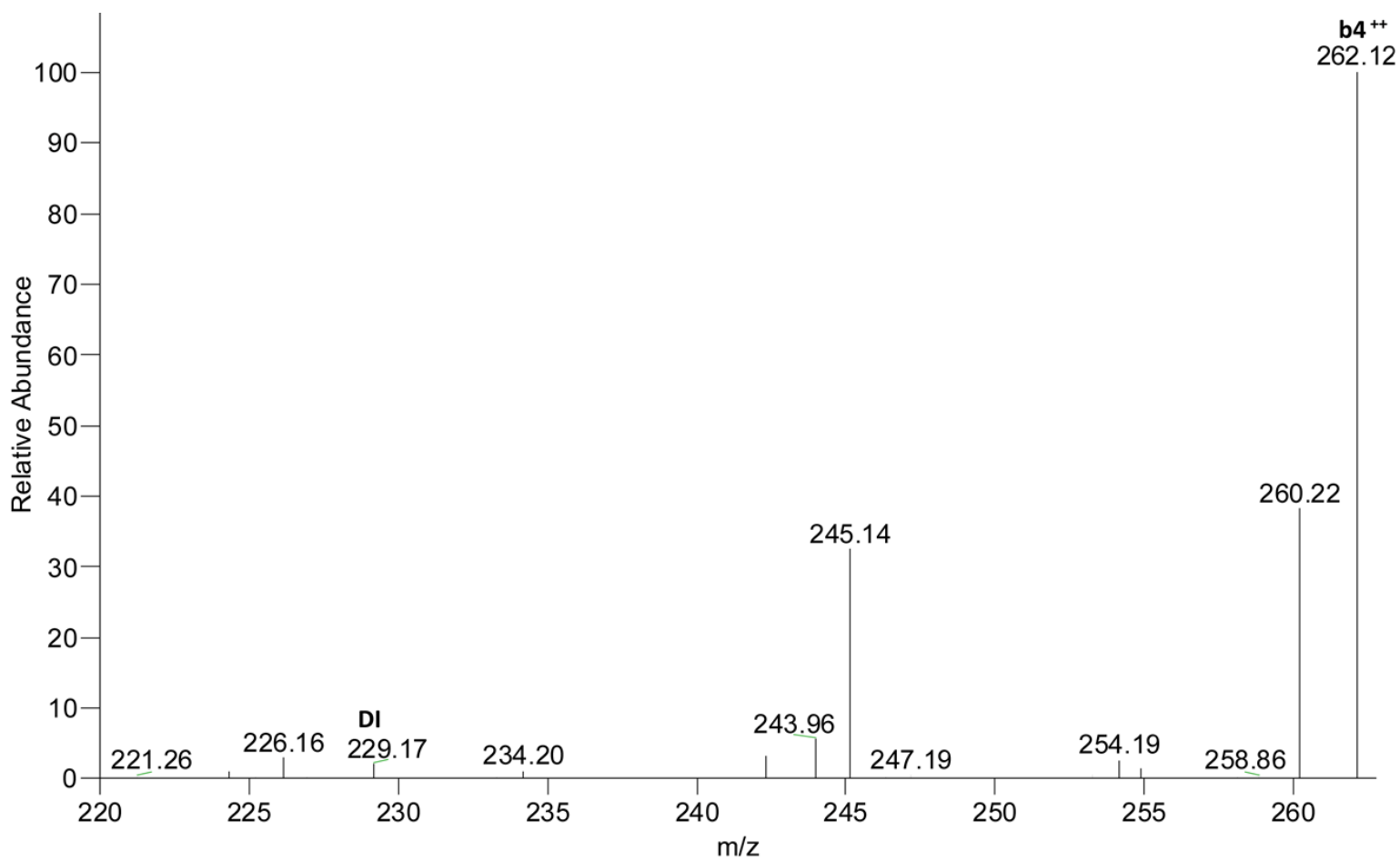


**Figure S6a** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **M<sub>36</sub>NFDIPEEIK<sub>45</sub>** (theoretical *mass* 1250.59, experimental  $m/z$  626.30  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01). Note that this spectrum was obtained from non-oxidized IFN $\beta$ 1a, where only Met36 is oxidized.

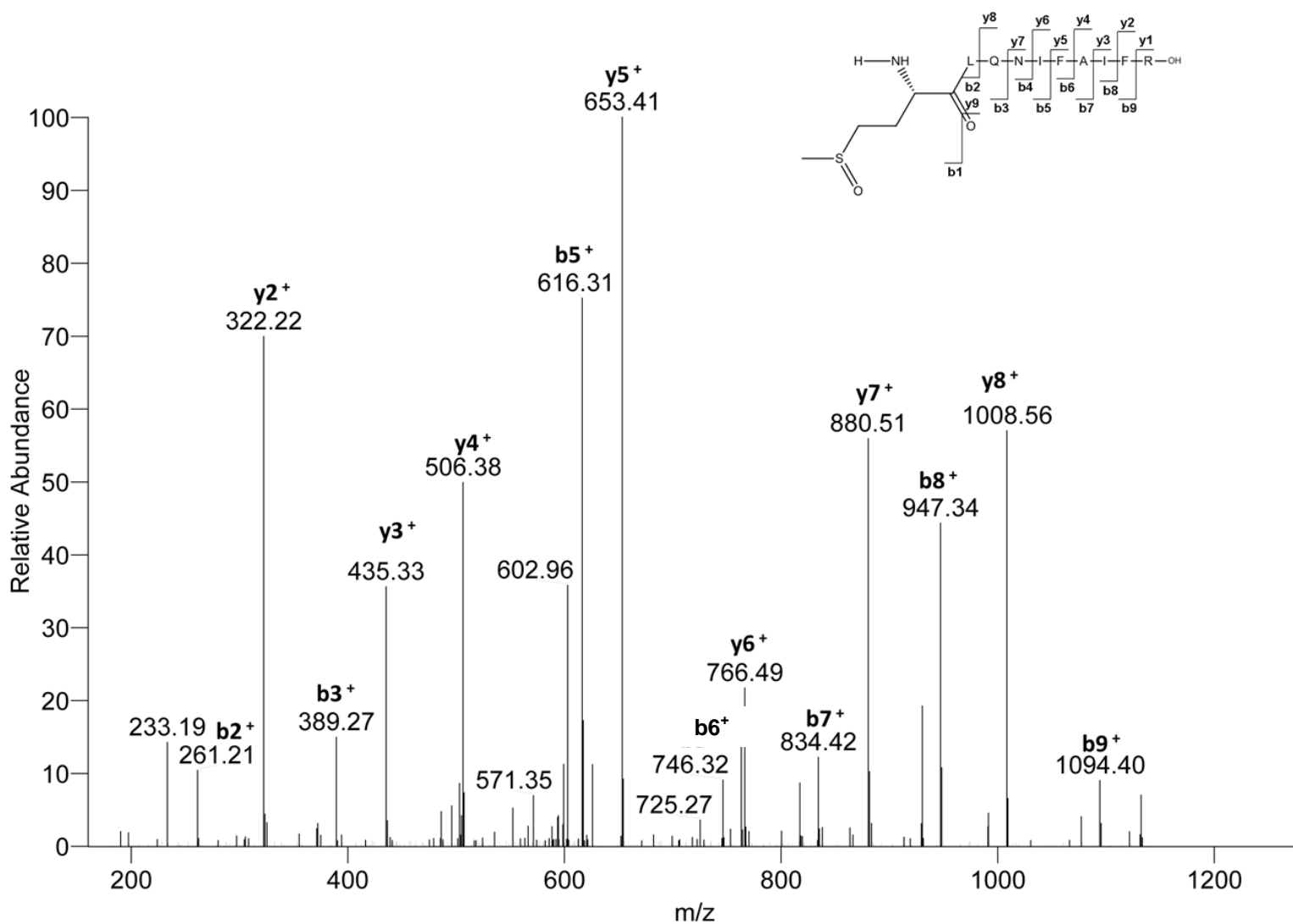




**Figure S6b** Zoom in (m/z range 988-1010) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S6a

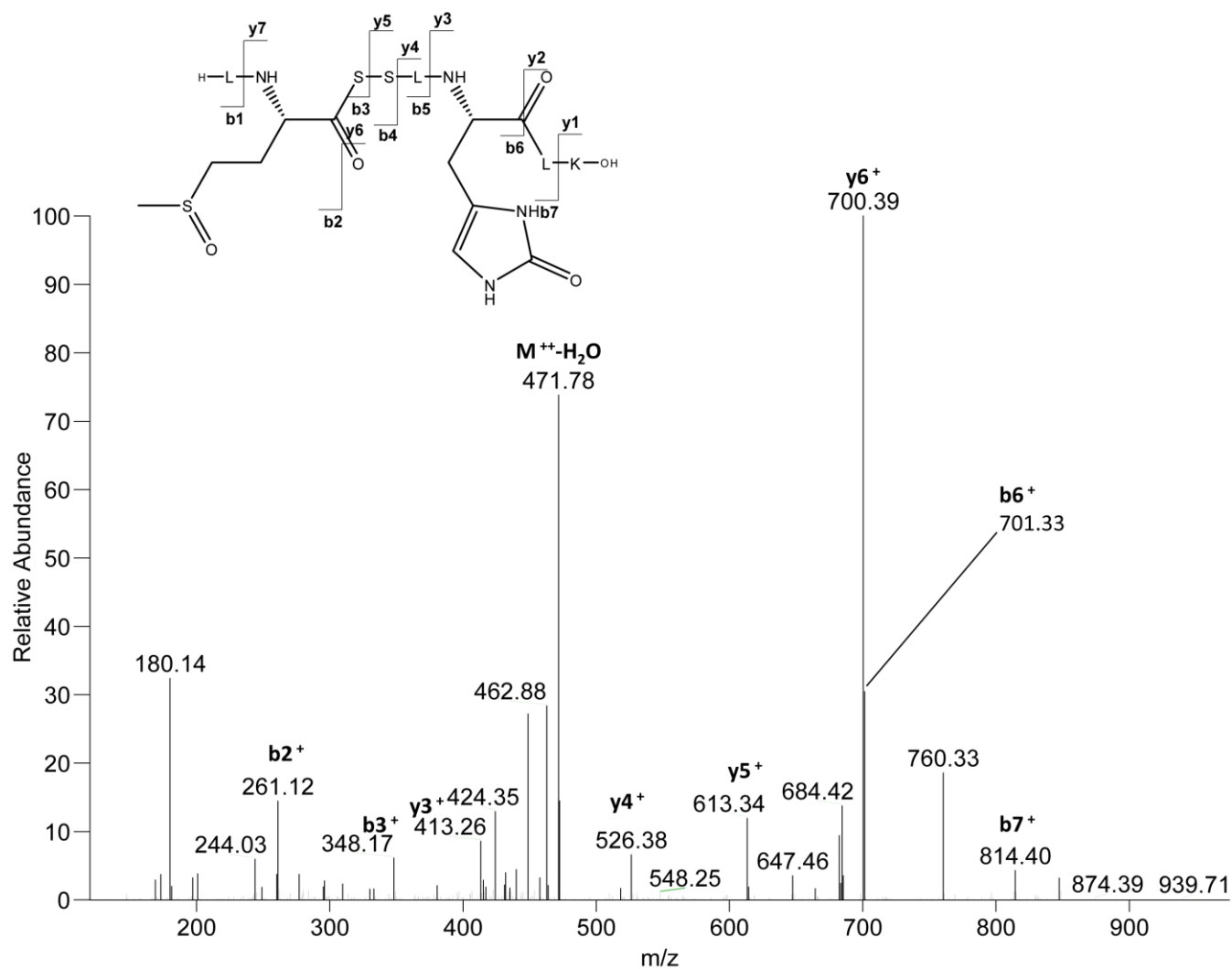


**Figure S6c** Zoom in (m/z range 220-265) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S6a.

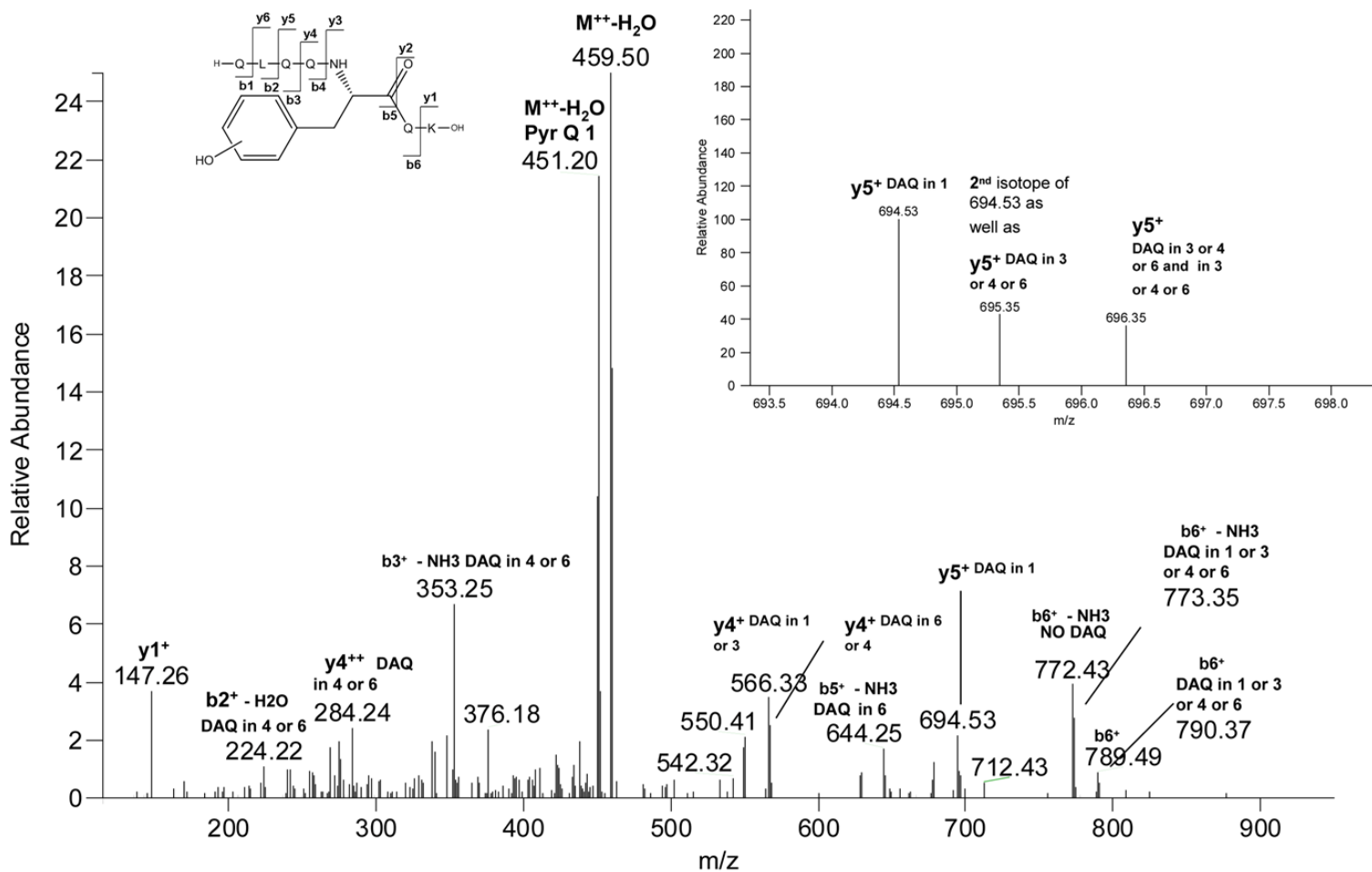


**FigureS7** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence  $M_{62}LQNIFAIFR_{71}$  (theoretical mass 1267.68, experimental  $m/z$  634.84  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).

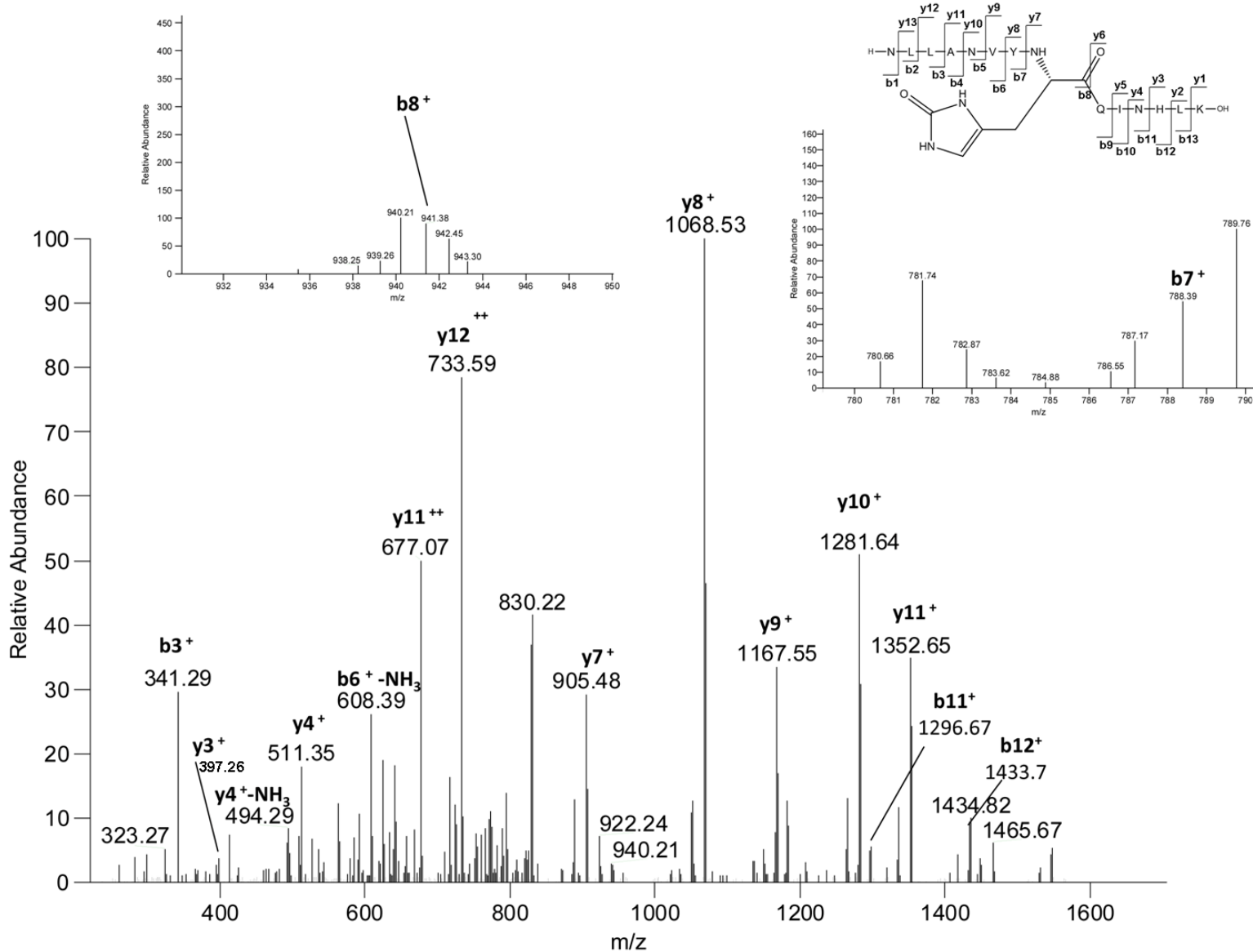




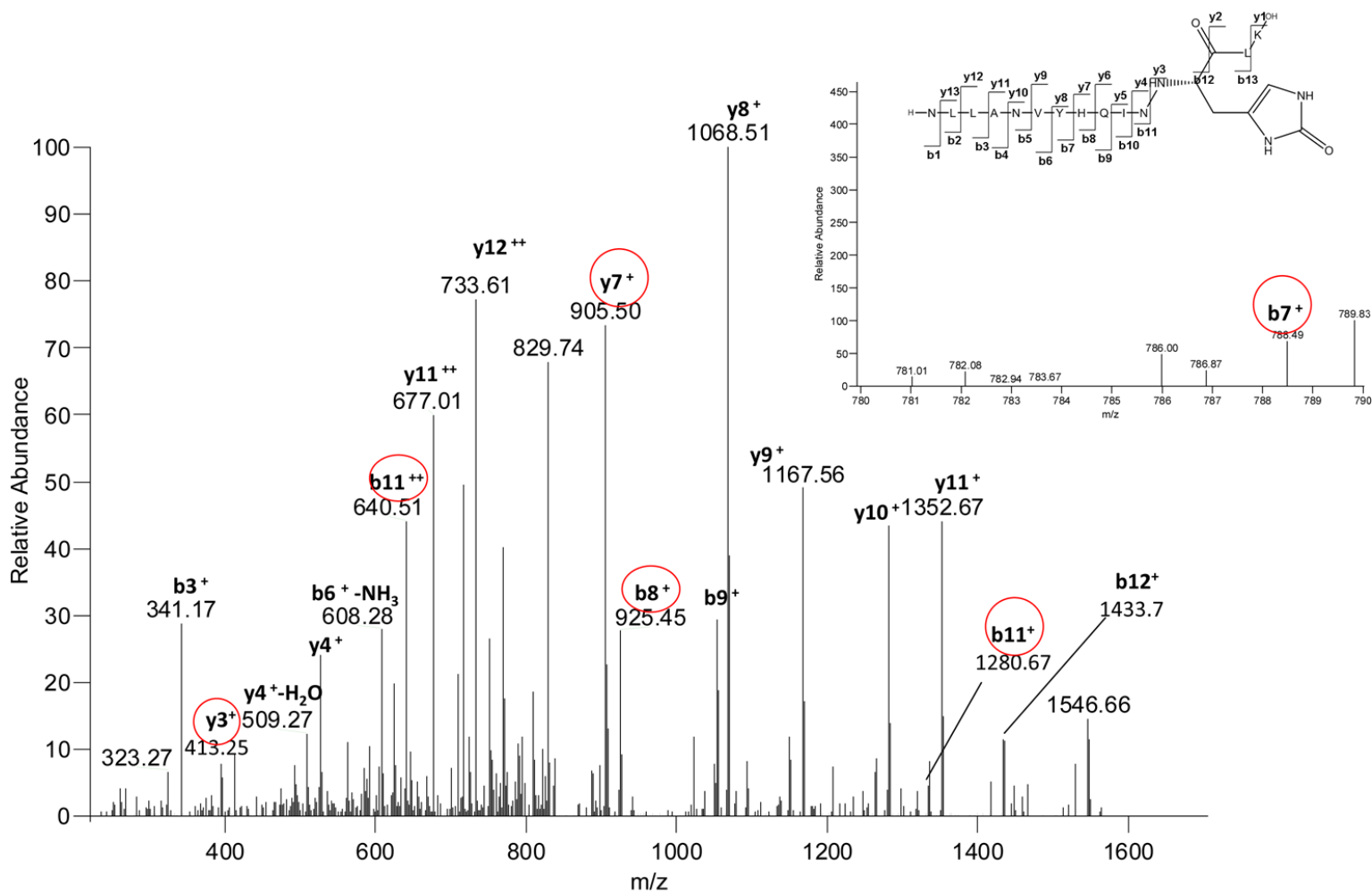
**Figure S9** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+32 Da) sequence **L<sub>116</sub>MSSLHLK<sub>123</sub>** (theoretical mass 959.52, experimental  $m/z$  480.76  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).



**Figure S10** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence  $Q_{46}LQQFQK_{52}$  (theoretical mass 935.48, experimental  $m/z$  468.76  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.04).

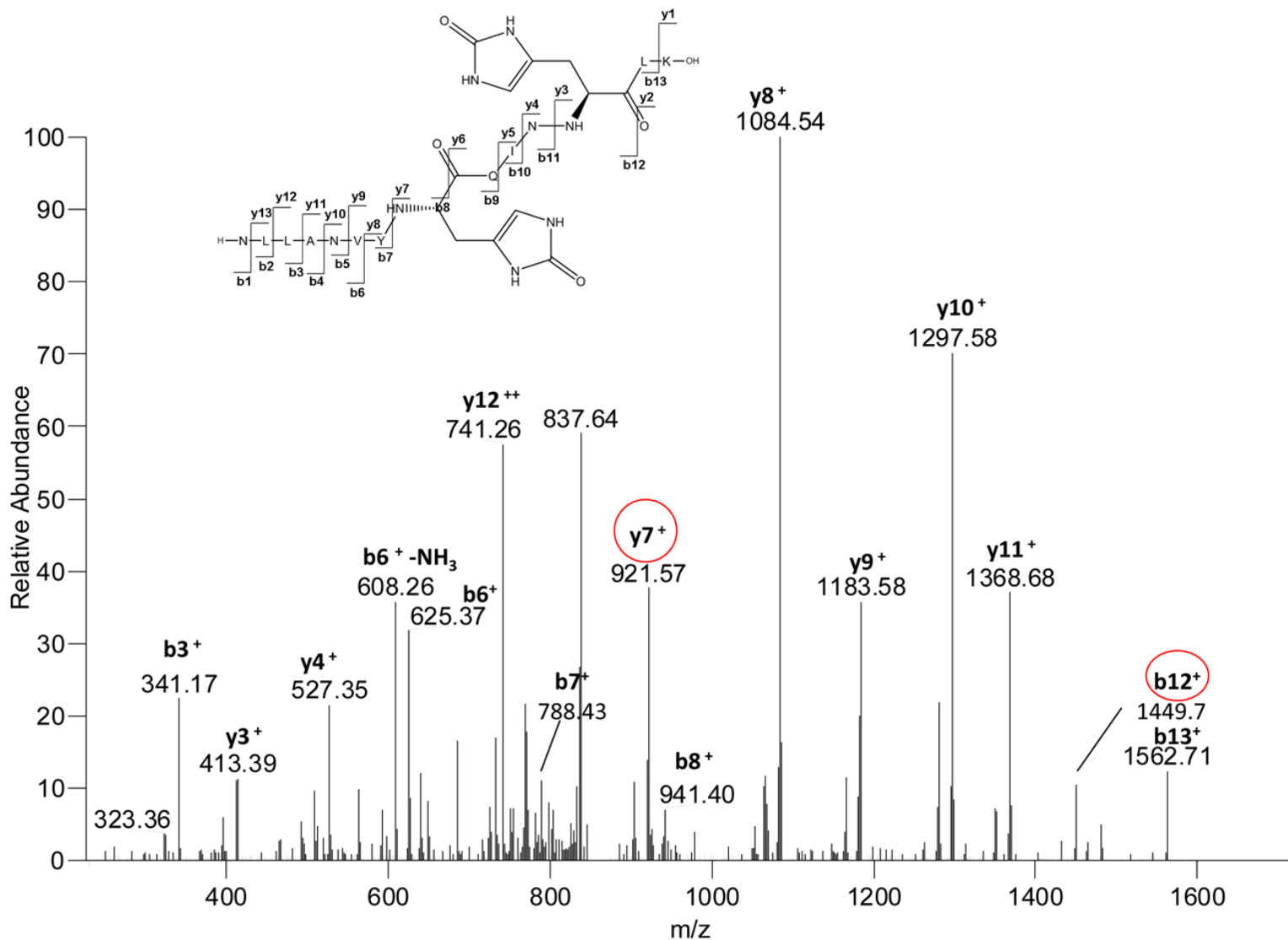


**Figure S11** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **N<sub>86</sub>LLANVYHQINHLK<sub>99</sub>** (theoretical  $m/z$  1691.92, experimental  $m/z$  846.96  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).

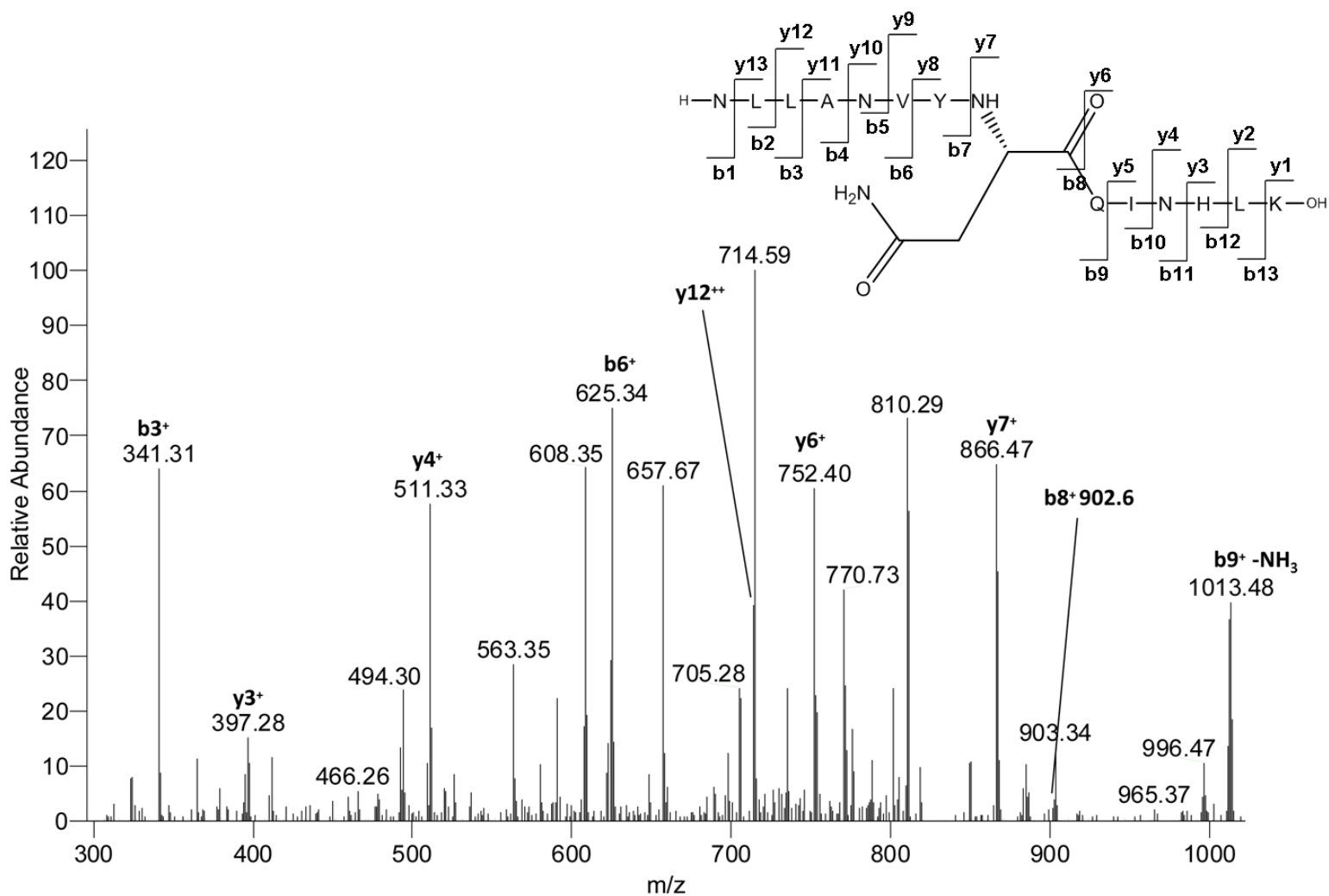


**Figure S12** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **N<sub>86</sub>LLANVYHQINHLK<sub>99</sub>** (theoretical mass 1691.92, experimental  $m/z$  846.96  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).

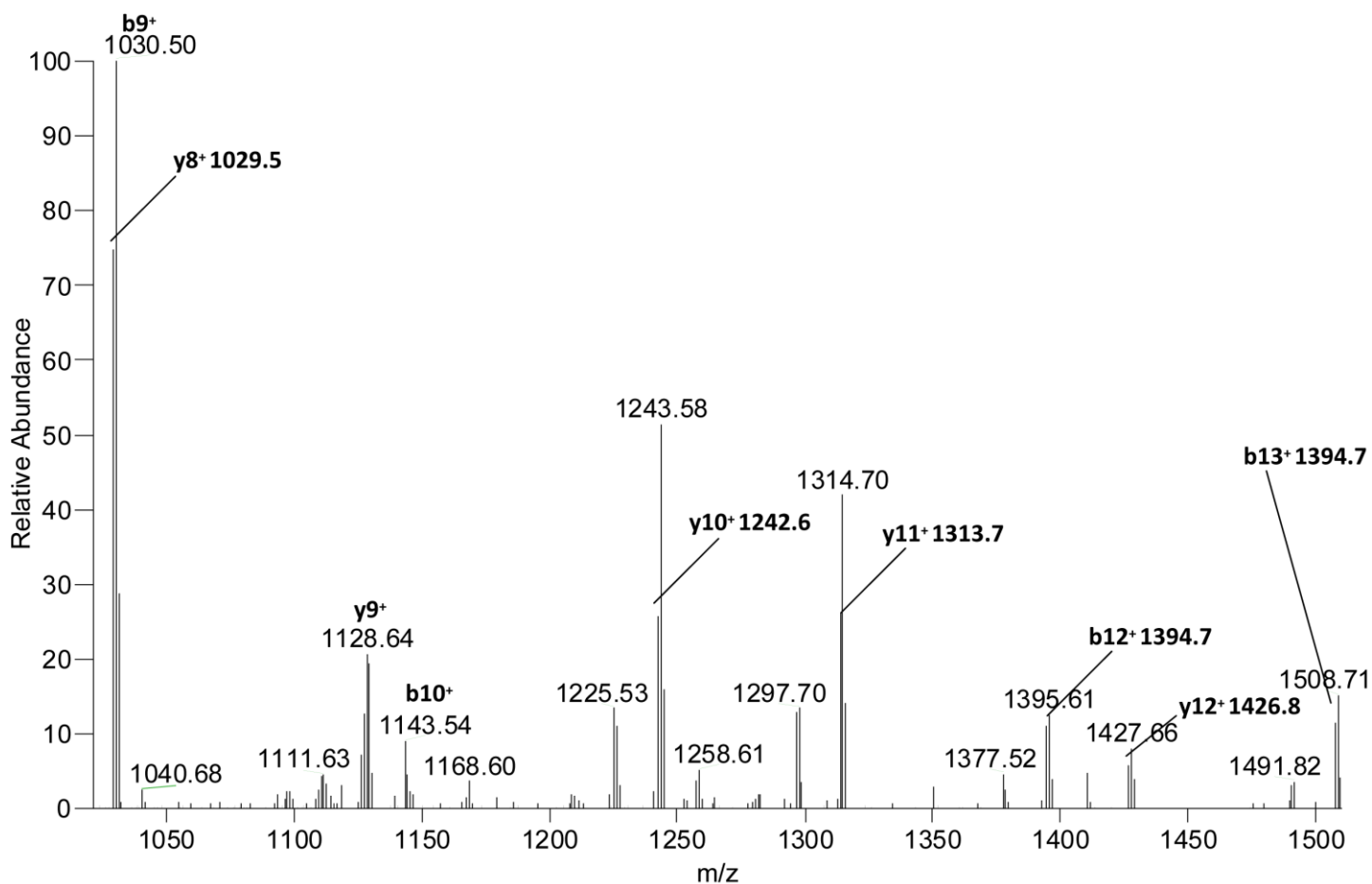




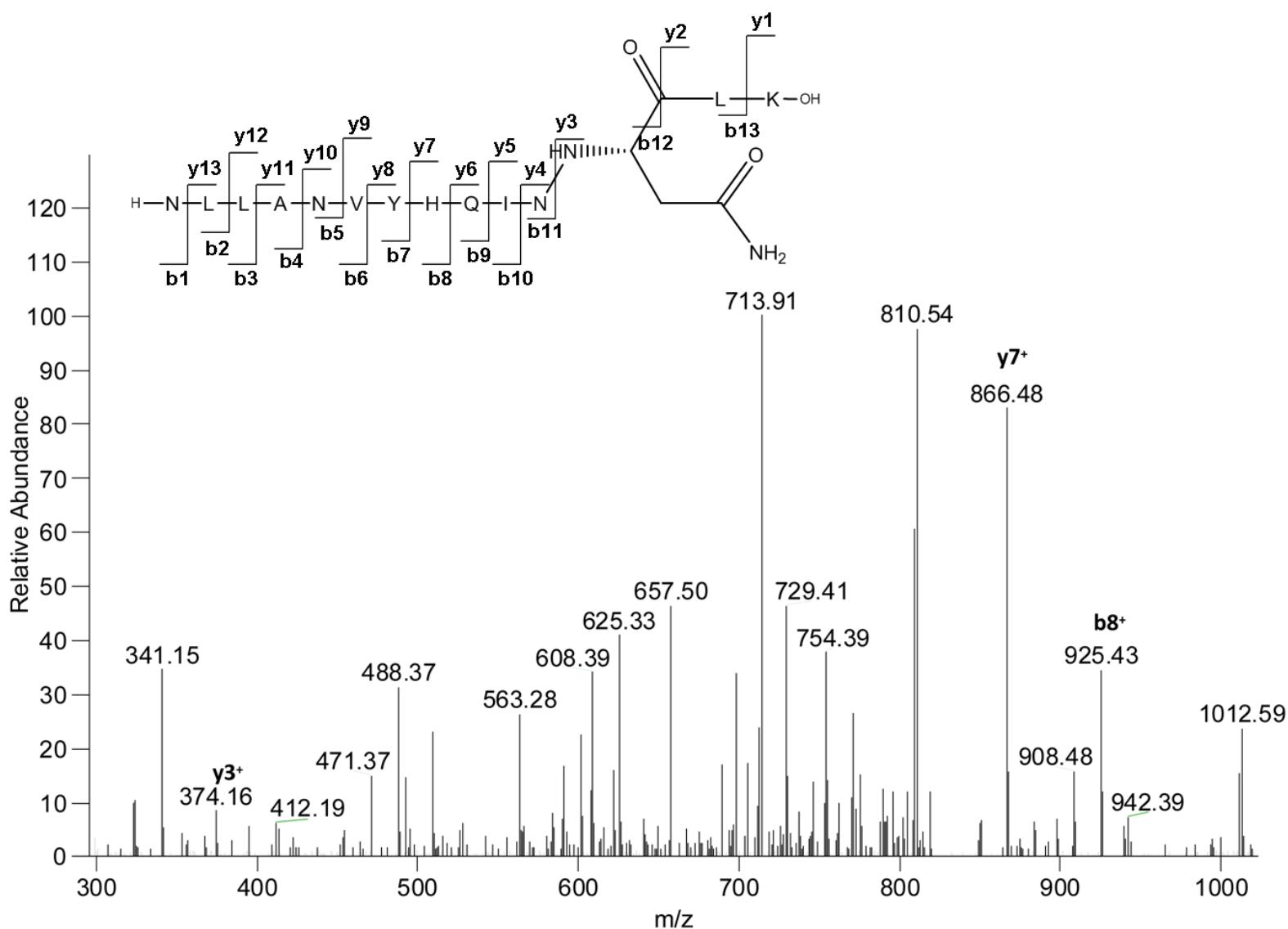
**Figure S13** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+32 Da) sequence **N<sub>86</sub>LLANVYHQINHLK<sub>99</sub>** (theoretical mass 1707.91, experimental  $m/z$  854.96  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01).



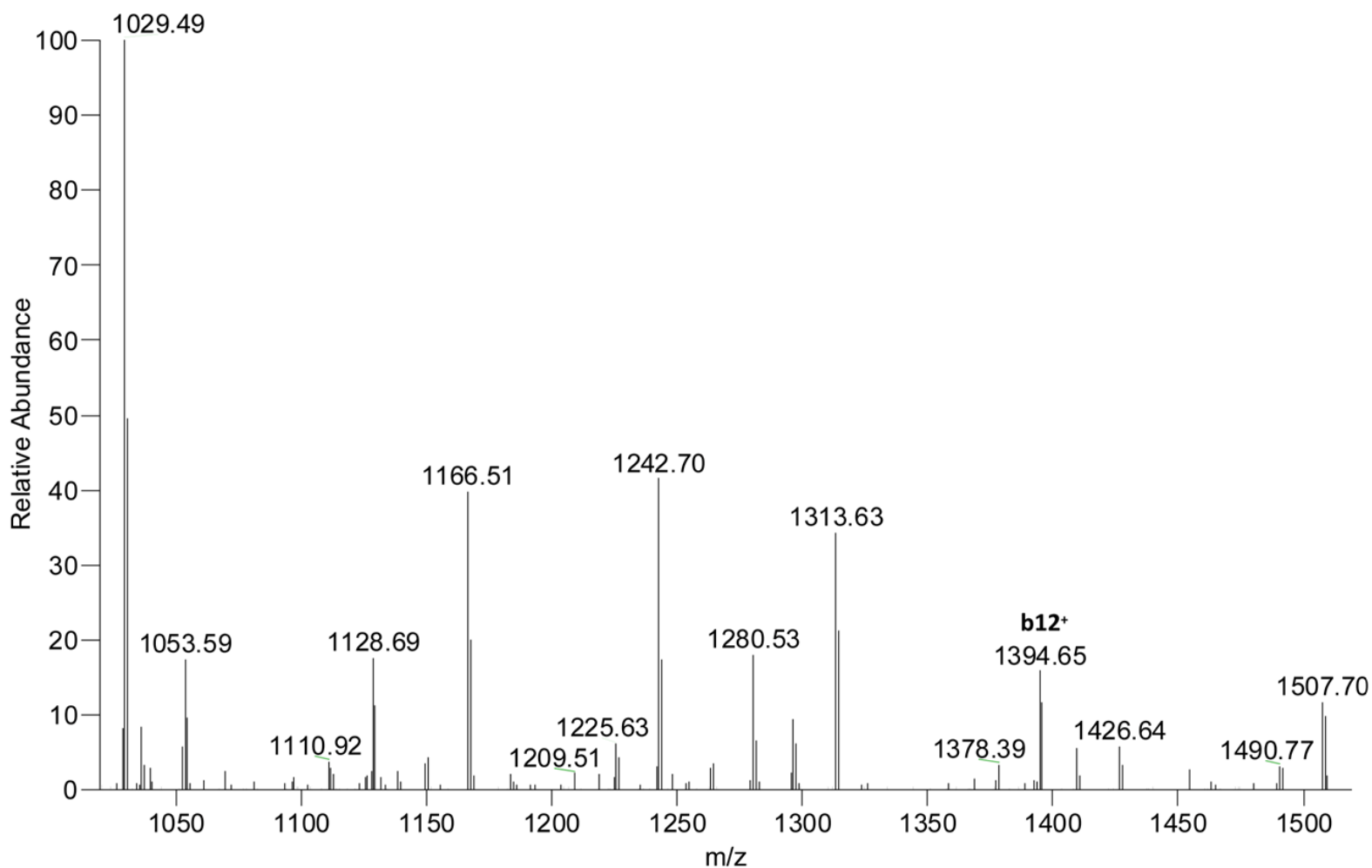
**Figure S14a** MS/MS spectrum and chemical structure for the oxidized (-23 Da) sequence  $N_{86}LLANVYHQINHLK_{99}$  (theoretical mass 1652.91, experimental  $m/z$  827.46  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01).



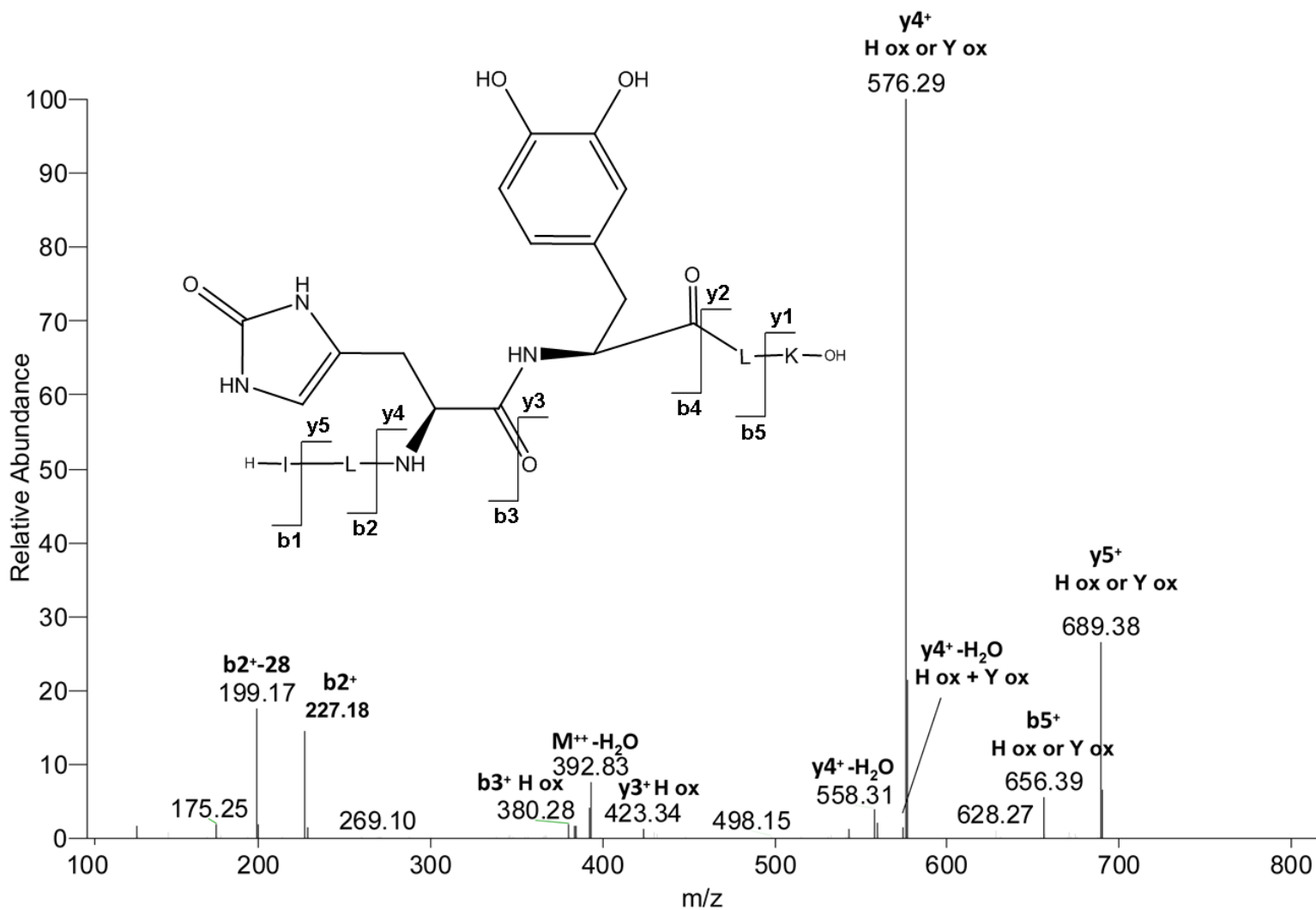
**Figure S14b** Zoom in (m/z range 1010-1510) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S14a.



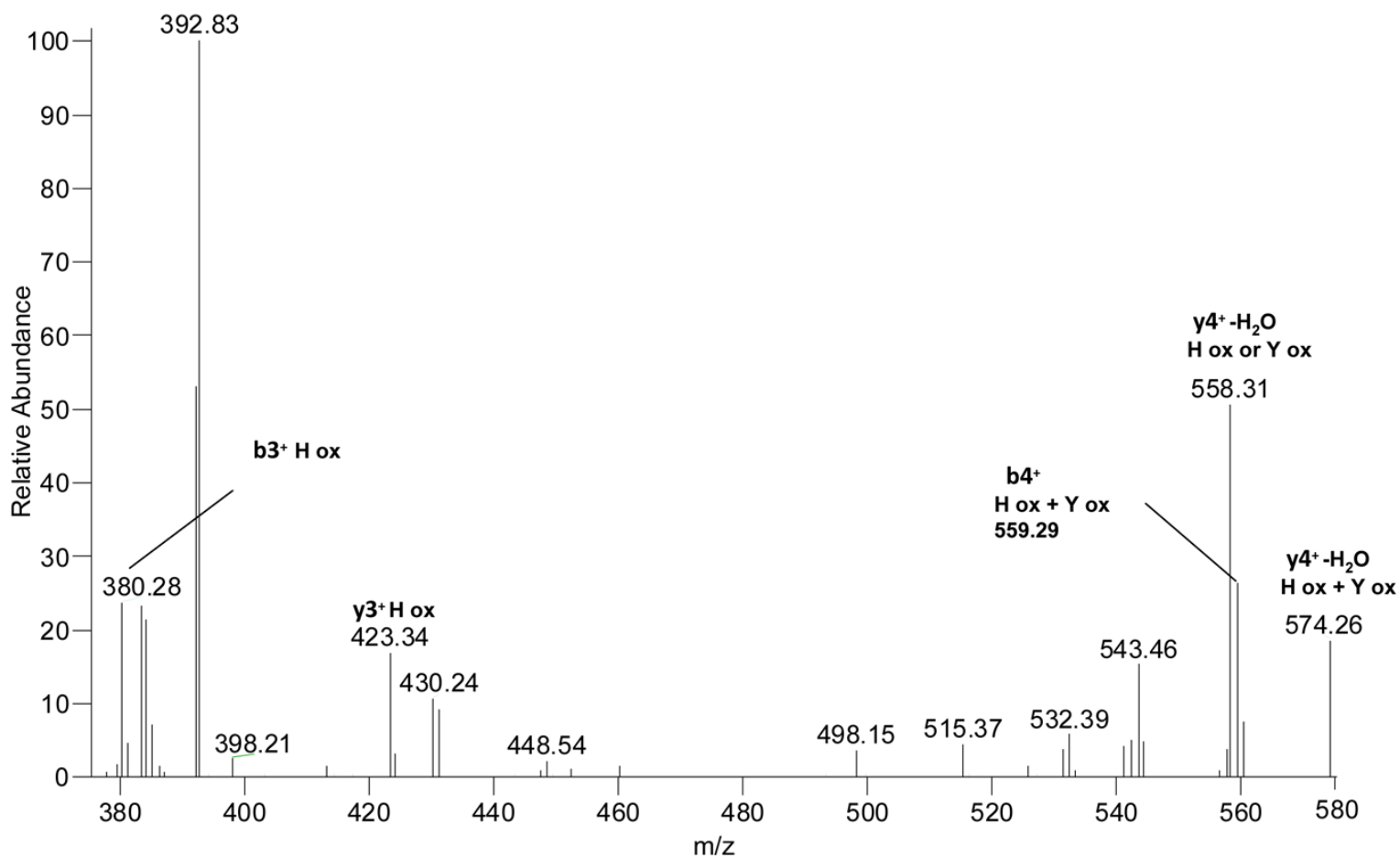
**Figure S15a** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized sequence **N<sub>86</sub>LLANVYHQINHLK<sub>99</sub>** (theoretical mass 1652.91, experimental  $m/z$  827.46  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01).



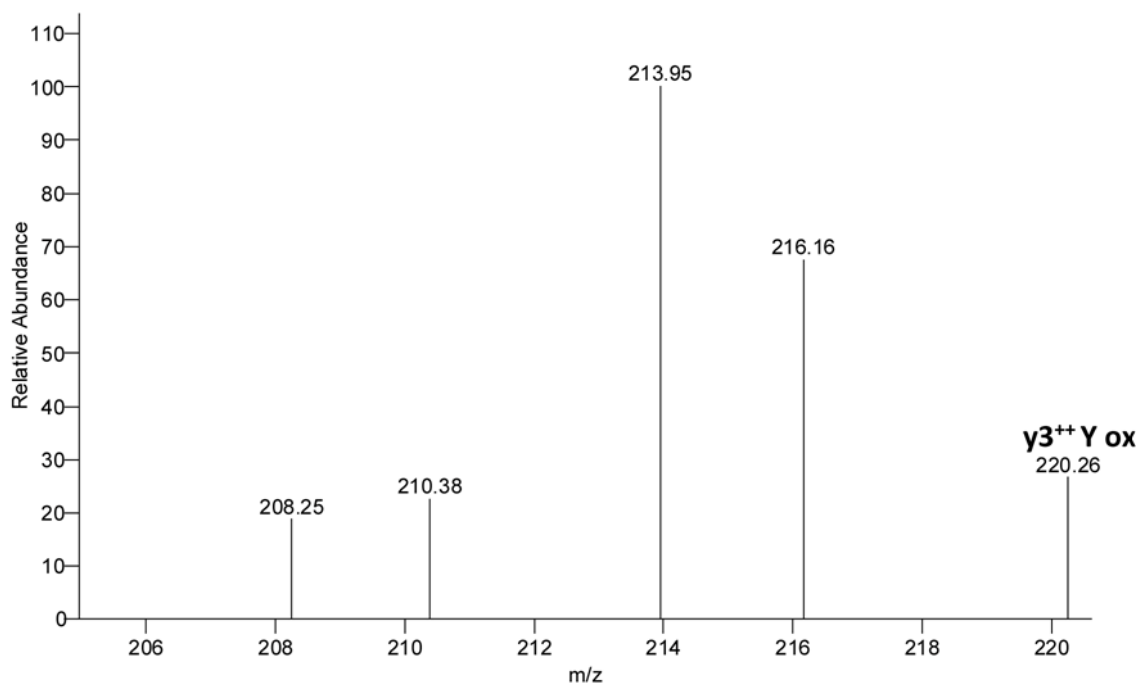
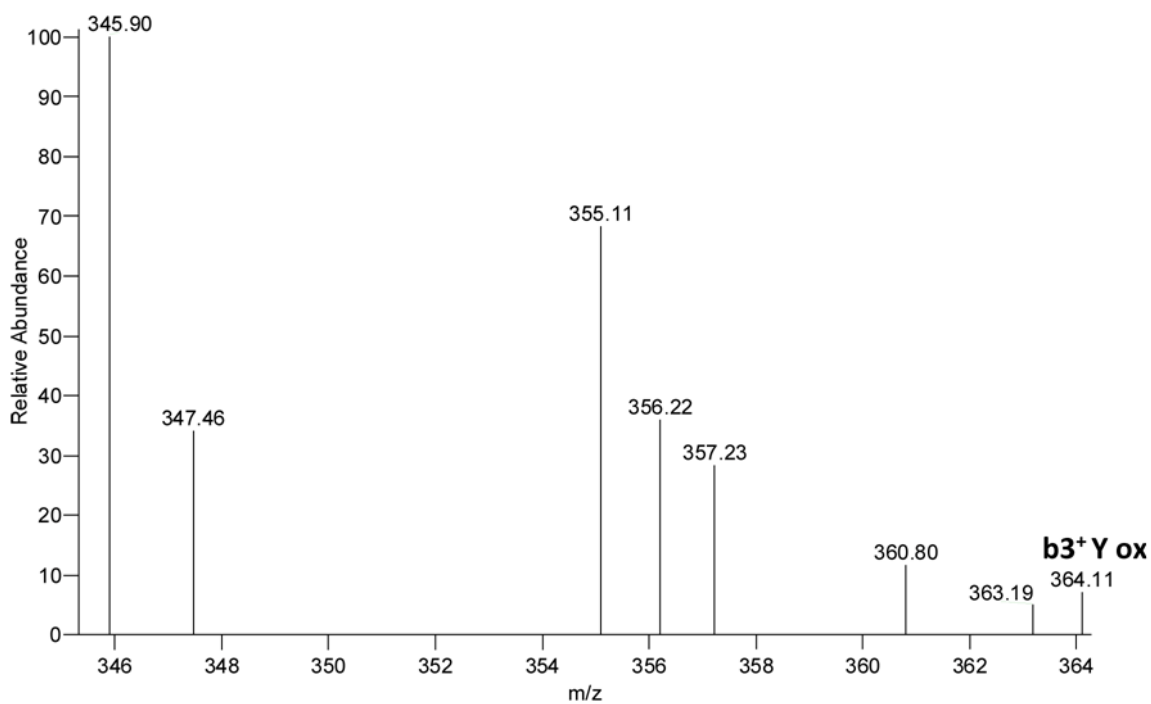
**Figure S15b** Zoom in (m/z range 1010-1510) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S15a.



**Figure S16a** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **I<sub>129</sub>LHYLK<sub>134</sub>** (theoretical mass 801.48, experimental  $m/z$  401.74  $[M+H]^+$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).

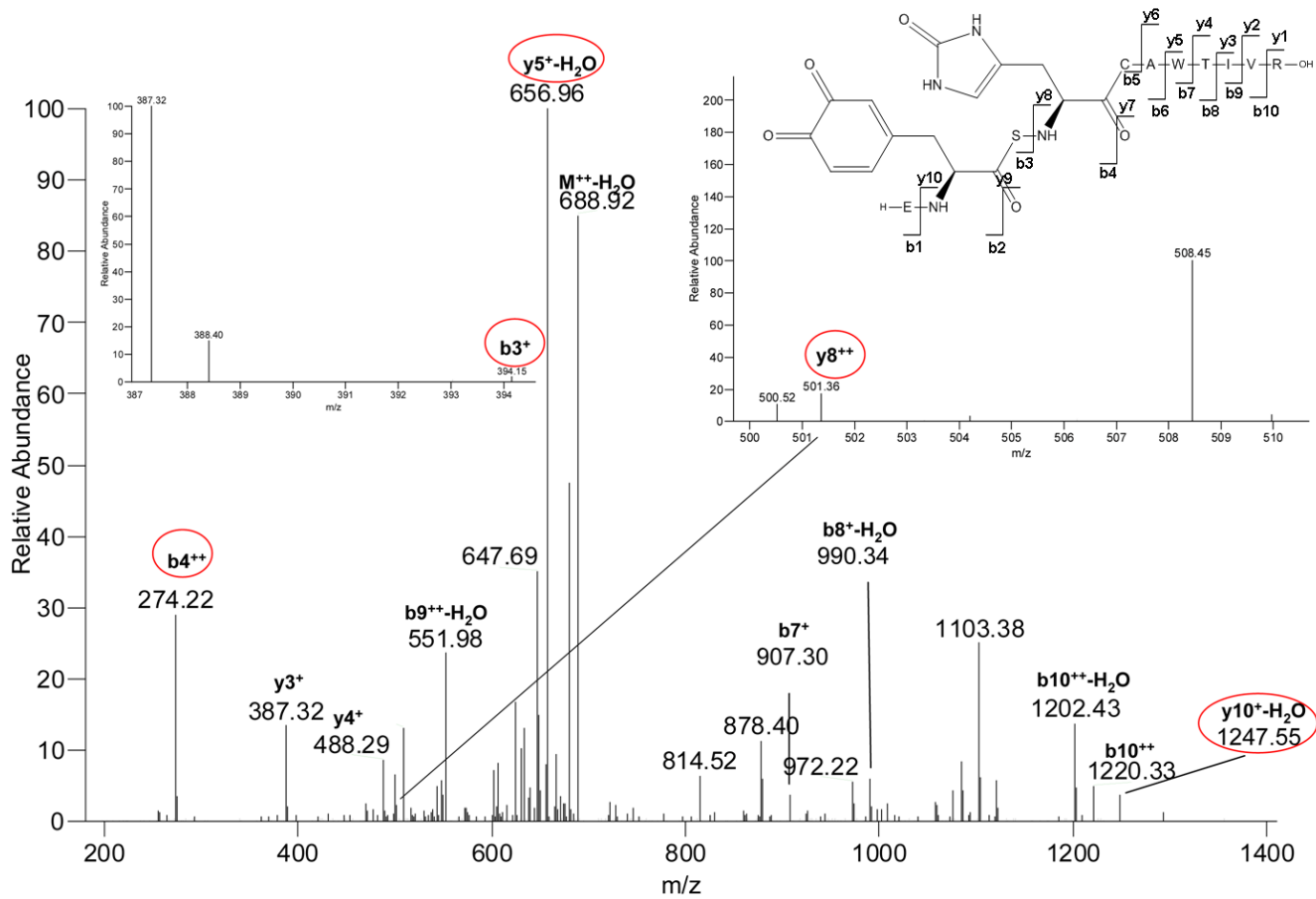


**Figure S16b** Zoom in (m/z range 375-580) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S16a.

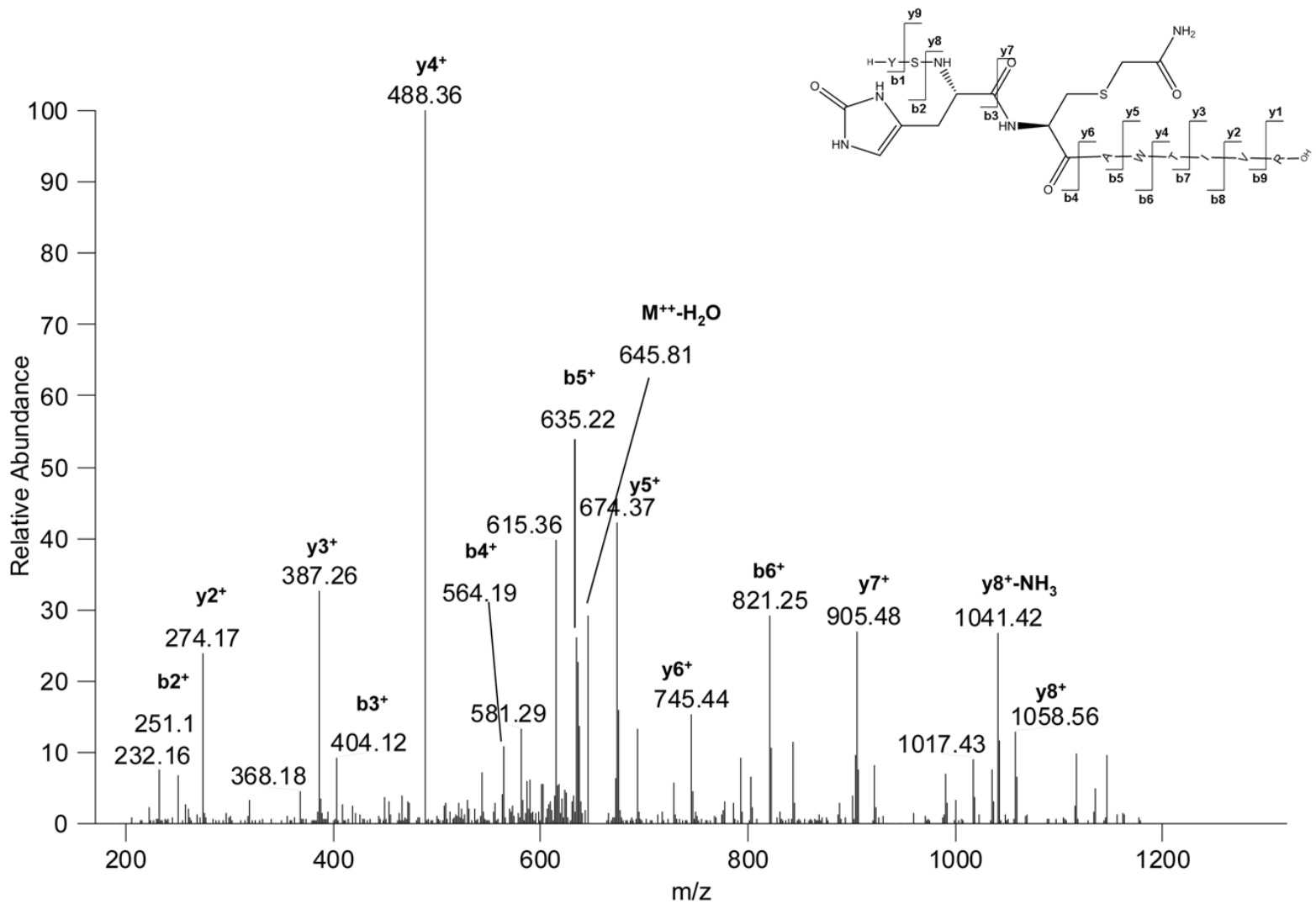


**Figure S16c** Zoom in ( $m/z$  range 345-365, upper panel, and 180-1400, lower panel) of the MS/MS spectrum depicted in figure S16a.

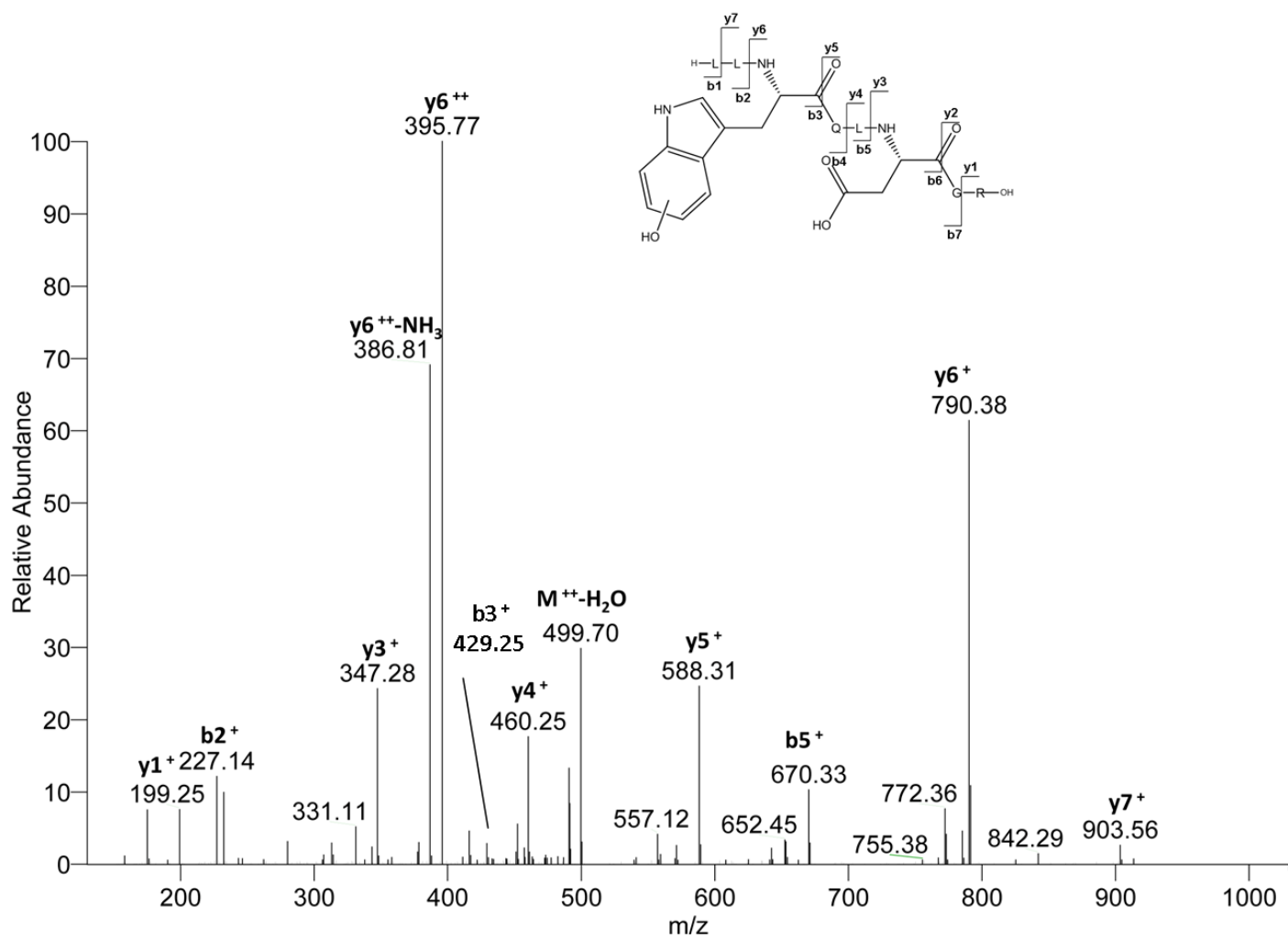




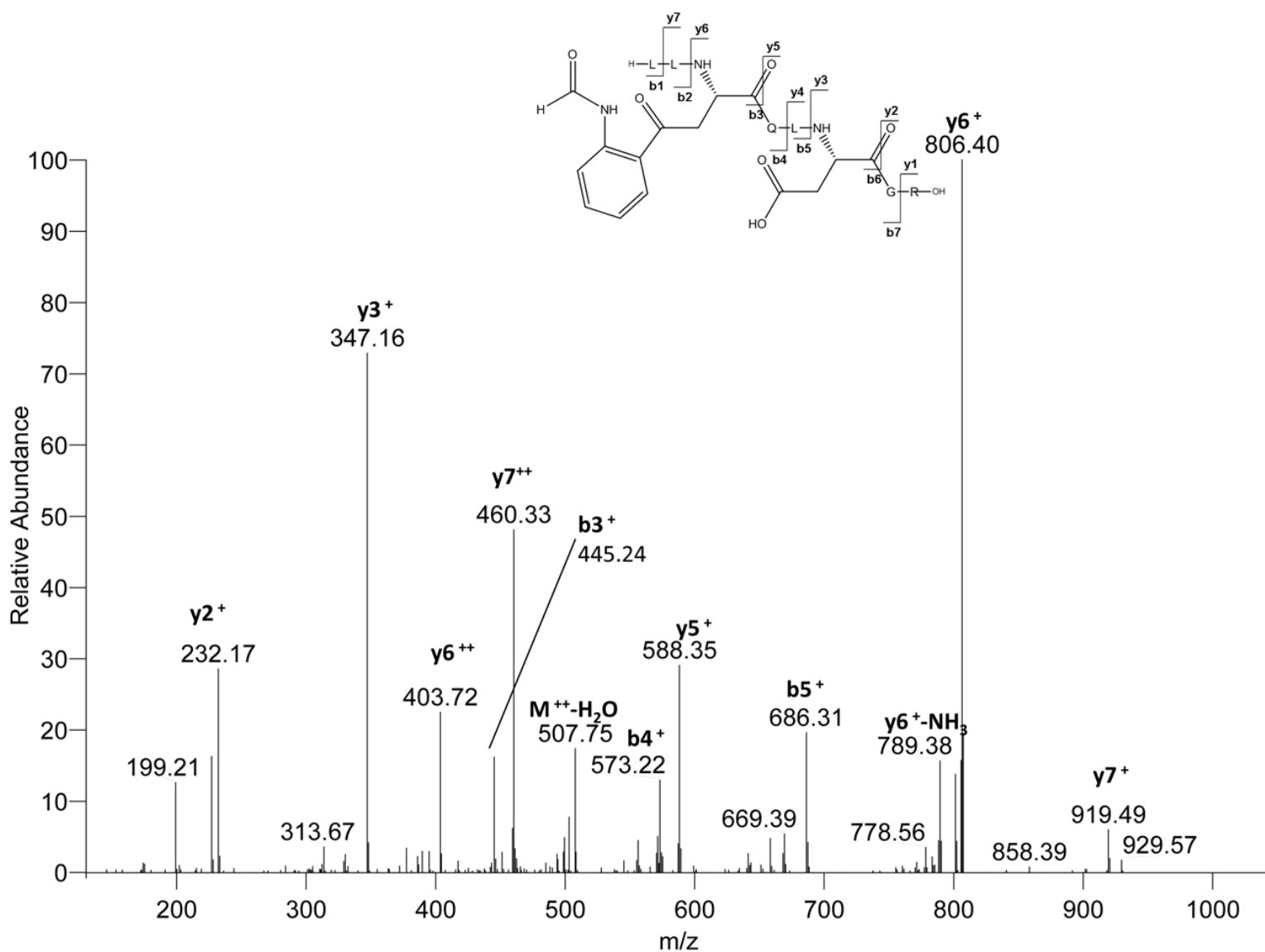
**Figure S17** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+32 Da) sequence  $E_{137}YSHCAWTIVR_{147}$  (theoretical mass 1393.62, experimental  $m/z$  697.81  $[M+H]^2+$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).



**Figure S18** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 da) sequence  $Y_{138}SHCAWTIVR_{147}$  (theoretical mass 1307.62, experimental  $m/z$  654.81  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide 0.00).



**Figure S19** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+16 Da) sequence **L<sub>20</sub>LWQLNGR<sub>27</sub>** (theoretical mass 1015.55, experimental  $m/z$  508.78,  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01).



**Figure S20** MS/MS spectrum and suggested chemical structure for the oxidized (+32 Da) sequence  $L_{20}LWQLNGR_{27}$  (theoretical mass 1031.55, experimental  $m/z$  516.78,  $[M+H]^{2+}$ ,  $\Delta m$  from native parent peptide +0.01).

**Table S1** Potential chemical modifications of amino acid residues included in the settings of the database search employed to identify chemical changes in the primary structure of IFN $\beta$ 1a after MCO.

Chemical modifications	Chemical addition - deletion	$\Delta m$ (monoisotopic) in Da
Asn deamidation	-H, -N, +O	+0.984016
Arg to glutamic semialdehyde	-C, -5H, -3N, +O	-43.053433
Cys to sulfinic acid	+2O	31.989829
Cys to sulfonic acid	+3O	47.984744
Cys to oxoalanine	-2H, +O, -S	-17.992806
Cys to carbamidomethyl cysteine (iodoacetamide alkylation)	+2C, +3H, +N, +O	57.021464
Met to sulfoxide	+O	15.994915
Met to sulfone	+2O	31.989829
Met loss of CH <sub>3</sub> SO from oxidized Met	-C, -4H, -S	-48.003371
Gln deamidation	-H, -N, +O	+0.984016
Gln to pyroglutamic acid	-3H, -N	-17.026549
Glu to pyroglutamic acid	-2H, -O	-18.010565
His to 2-oxo histidine	+O	15.994915
His to asparagine	-2C, -H, -N, +O	-23.015984
His to aspartic acid	-2C, -2H, -2N, +2O	-22.031969

Lys to aminoadipic semialdehyde	-3H, -N, +O,	-1.031634
Lys to alpha aminoadipic acid	-3H, -N, +2O,	14.963280
Lys peroxidation	+2O	31.989829
Lys to carbamidomethyl Lysine (iodoacetamide alkylation)	+2C, +3H, +N, +O	57.021464
Tyr to TOPA (2,4,5-trihydroxyphenylalanine)	+2O	31.989829
Thr to 2-amino-ketobutirric acid	-2H	-2.015650
Trp to hydroxytryptophan	+O	15.994915
Trp to kynurenine	-C, +O	3.994915
Trp to N-formyl kynurenine	+2O	31.989829
Phe to TOPA quinone (2,4,5-trihydroxyphenylalanine quinone)	-2H, +3O	45.969094
Phe to TOPA (2,4,5-trihydroxyphenylalanine)	+3O	47.984744
Phe to hydroxytyrosine	+O	15.994915
Phe to 3,4-dihydroxyphenylalanine (DOPA)	+2O	31.989829
Phe to DOCH	-2H, +2O	29.974179
Pro to Pyrrolidinone	-C, -2H, -O	-30.010565
Pro to pyroglutamic acid	-2H, +O	13.979265
Tyr to 3,4-dihydroxyphenylalanine (DOPA)	+O	15.994915
Tyr to DOCH	-2H, +O	13.979265
Tyr to TOPA quinone (2,4,5-trihydroxyphenylalanine quinone)	-2H, +2O	29.974179