

In a recent interesting paper in JASMS (June, 2014,) on high mass MALDI-MS Ion Conversion Detectors, in the conclusion section, Dr. Zenobli stated that “once a reliable spotting method is developed, it should even be possible to obtain more reliable quantitative information from high-mass MALDI-MS.”

Apparently Dr. Renato Zenobli was unaware of the 12 [references](#), publications and patents (since 1997) regarding our reliable spotting method for MALDI, SIMS, LDI and DART based on induction based fluidics (IBF) that Sciex offered to license for LC/MALDI six years ago.

Note that the same technique and devices based on IBF can be used to place 100% of liquid samples into any ESI MS system as well as. The internationally unique device attributes have been presented and published many places over more than 10 years including this year’s Pittcon and ASMS meetings.

Since Dr. Zenobli, reviewed our June 2013 Analytical Chemistry paper that had all of the spotting references contained therein, we were surprised at the apparent oversight in the recent paper. So as a service to honorable Dr. Renato Zenobli and his group, we did three direct e-mailings to his group and sent snail mail to other scientist at ETH. We did so at no cost, so his research could have an honest and complete set of spotting references, and to educate ETH on IBF spotting for MALDI, tissue MALDI and LC/MALDI using [our powerful IBF devices](#).