

Smart Subtract®

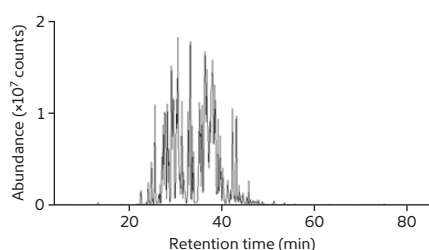
Rapidly and reliably find subtle differences between complex chromatograms

Comparing superficially similar GC(–MS) datasets is a routine task for many analysts – but manual comparison is tedious and time-consuming, and minor but crucial differences are all too easily missed.

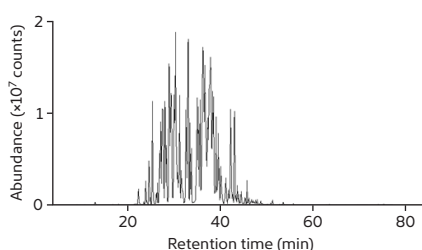
These problems can now be resolved using Smart Subtract, a powerful new tool available within the ChromSpace® software platform. Smart Subtract uses a probability-based subtraction algorithm to rapidly highlight only the key differences between pairs of 1D or 2D chromatograms, bringing a new level of efficiency and confidence to your data-comparison workflow.

What difference does Smart Subtract make?

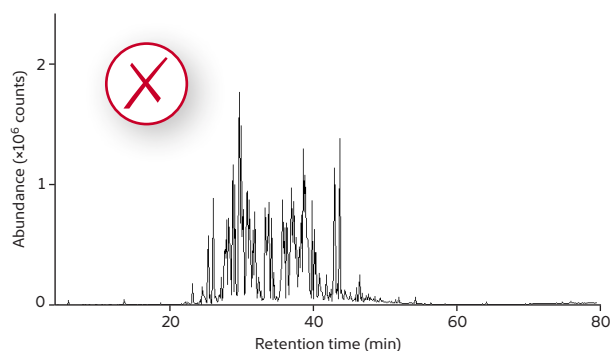
Take a spiked essential oil...



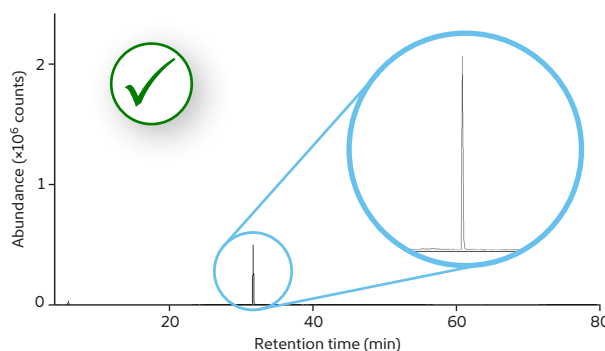
...and subtract an unspiked essential oil:



With simple subtraction, small differences in intense peaks dominate:



But with Smart Subtract, the spiking compound is successfully isolated:

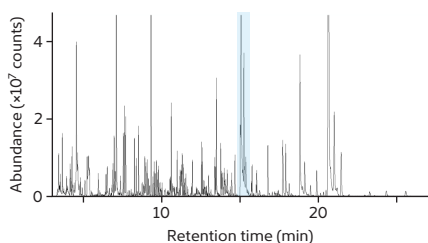


Uncover hidden details effortlessly. As shown by this example, Smart Subtract suppresses small relative changes between chromatograms, resulting in a clean background that reliably highlights only the key differences (in this case the single spiking compound).

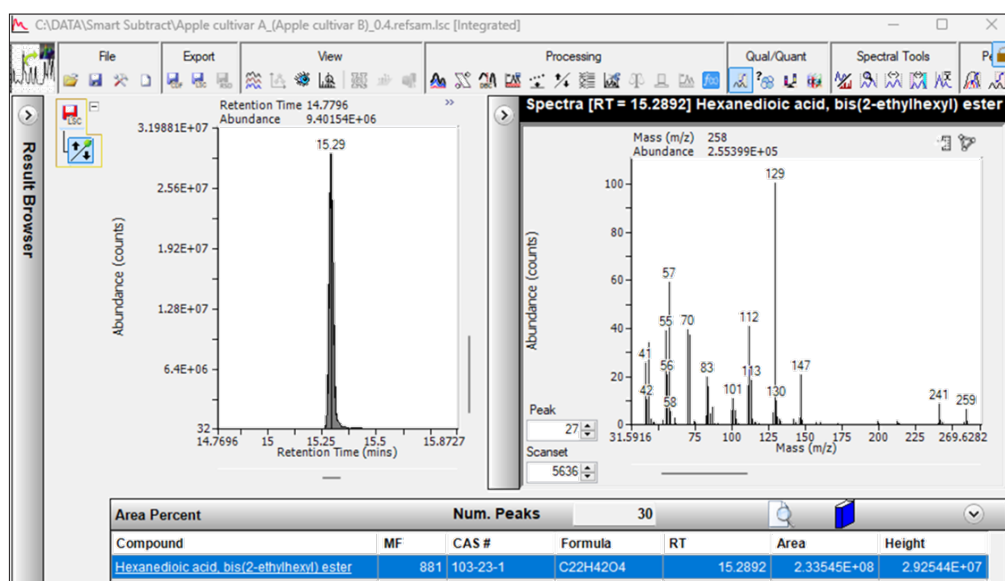
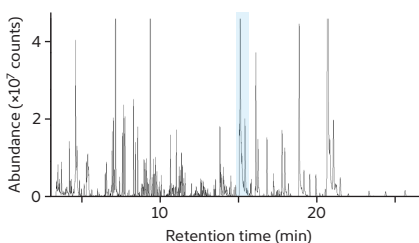
Key advantages of Smart Subtract

- **Fast time to results:** Spectral information is retained, allowing key differences to be identified quickly using automated integration and library-searching.
- **Flexible:** The Smart Subtract tool is compatible with both 1D and 2D GC(-MS), offering easy integration into any workflow.
- **User-friendly:** Thanks to the simplified output from Smart Subtract, results can be easily communicated to non-chemists and stakeholders, without need for expertise in complex statistics, and while remaining within a familiar user interface.

Take a plastic-packaged apple...



...and subtract a paper-packaged apple:



Identify contaminants quickly and confidently. Smart Subtract reveals a plasticiser (DEHP) in the extract of a plastic-packaged apple, but not in a paper-packaged apple.

Discover what Smart Subtract could do for you

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