



## TD-NMR and Body Composition Analysis for Lab Animals

時域磁共振及實驗鼠體內組分的測量

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## Key Topic



### Body Composition Analysis (BCA) on lab animals with NMR

采用核磁共振分析實驗鼠的體內組分



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## BCA on Mice and Rats 實驗鼠體內組分分析



Body Composition is a **BioMarker**  
(body weight often not)

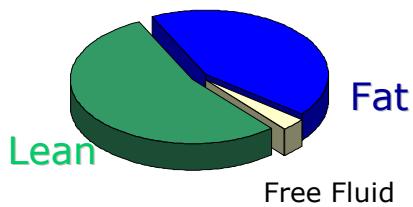
Animal Models (Mice & Rats) for:

- Diabetes & Obesity Research
- Dietary Analysis
- Gene Knock-Out Mice



### Requirements:

- Routine & Quick Method
- Compatible to Animal House
- Low animal health risk  
(longitudinal studies)
- Method for Mice & Rats



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## Current Methods for BCA on Mice and Rats 實驗鼠體內組分分析現行方法



### Dissection 解剖

### DEXA (Dual Energy X-Ray Absorption)

雙能量X光吸收

### NMR/MRI 磁共振或磁共振成像

### TD-NMR 時域核磁共振

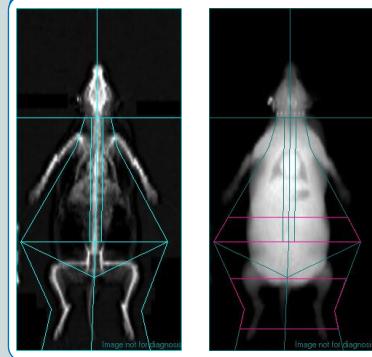
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## DEXA Method 方法



Dual Energy X-ray Absorption  
(also DXA)

- Harmful radiation
- Requires Anesthesia
- Animals don't eat following scan
- Only 1 scan per week (rats)
- overlap bone, tissue (2D scan)
- ID Chips not possible



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## TD-NMR Method 時域核磁共振方法



1. Weighing



2. Loading



3. Inserting



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## TD-NMR BCA History



First Mouse Systems  
Introduced in USA in  
2001 (mq-7.5, LF50)

First Rat Systems  
Introduced in USA in  
2004 (LF90)



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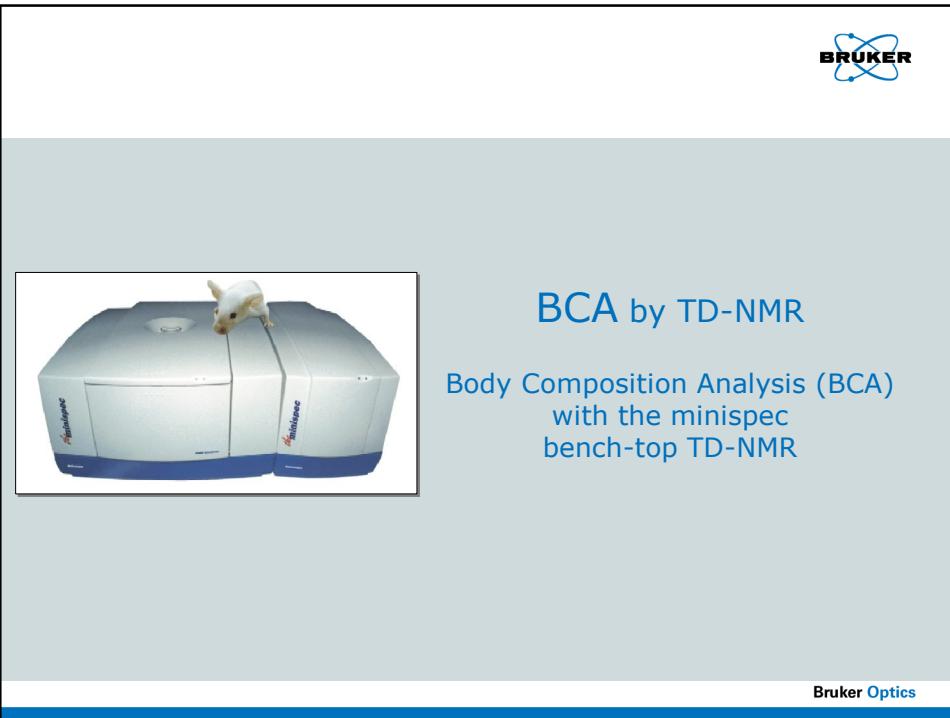
## The 2nd Generation BCA Analyzer: the minispec LF90II



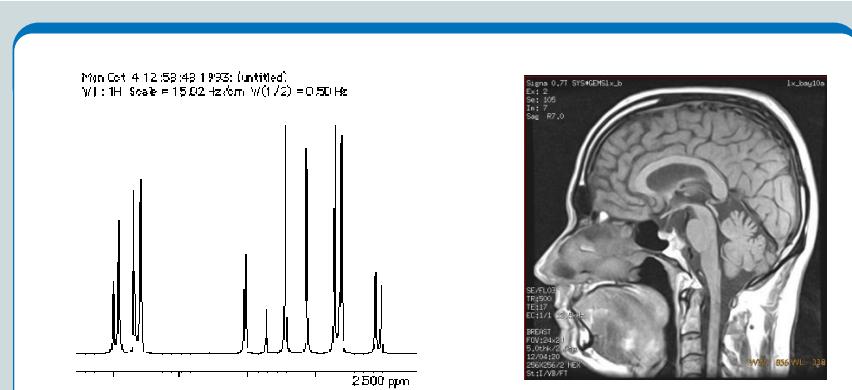
Introduced ISMRM May 2007  
Press Release Pittcon 2008  
(with capability of measuring  
rats up to 850g body weight)



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## **When we talk about N.M.R.**



...NMR spectrum or MR Image will come to our mind.  
But TD-NMR does not deal with the above



## What is TD-NMR?

Time Domain Nuclear Magnetic Resonance;  
Benchtop NMR;  
Low Resolution NMR;  
Low Field NMR;  
QC type NMR analyzer;  
Non-spectroscopic NMR;  
Relaxometry;

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## TD-NMR History



2<sup>nd</sup> generation (1972)



3<sup>rd</sup> generation (1980)



4<sup>th</sup> generation (1983)



5<sup>th</sup> generation (1993)



6<sup>th</sup> generation  
(1999)



New Additions  
(2008)

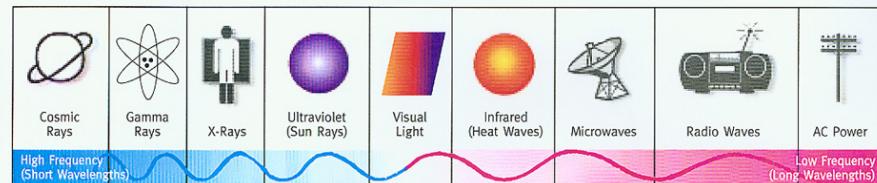


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## NMR Nutshell

NMR requires only very low energy radiation



**the minispec** 6.2 MHz up to 60 MHz

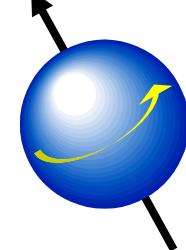
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## Where NMR signals come from?

Any NMR-sensitive nucleus (such as hydrogen) has a positive electric charge and a nuclear spin. Together, these give the nucleus a magnetic moment, so that it behaves like a small magnet.

A hydrogen nucleus is a small magnet



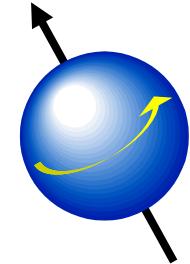
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## 核磁共振信號的產生

原子核，如氫核，即質子，具有兩個很基本的物理屬性—帶有正電荷以及原子核自旋。由於這兩個屬性，原子核就具有磁矩。因此，原子核的行為在某種程度上就象小磁體。

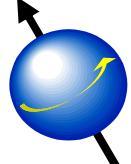
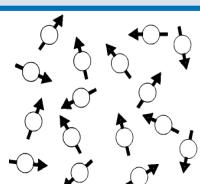
一個氫核就是一個小磁體



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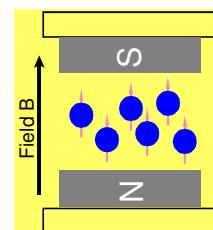
## 核磁共振信號的產生

在自由空間中，原子核小磁體的指向是隨機和無規則的。



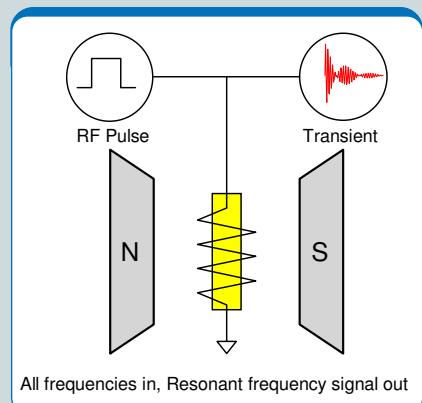
當處於外加磁場中，原子核要受外場磁力的作用，重新分布小磁體的指向。並且，由於受外加磁力矩的作用，原子核在自旋的同時，還繞著外加磁場的方向作進動。

$$\text{核磁共振 } \omega = \gamma B_0$$



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## Where NMR signals come from?



Conditions for observing NMR signals:

- A fix external magnet;
- Devices for transmitting and receiving RF;
- A sample.

A RF pulse changes direction of spins in the sample inside a detecting coil;

This leads to a change in magnetic flux in the detecting coil;

Induced current, i.e. NMR signal, is then produced in the detecting coil

**similar to an electric generator**

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## 核磁共振信號的產生

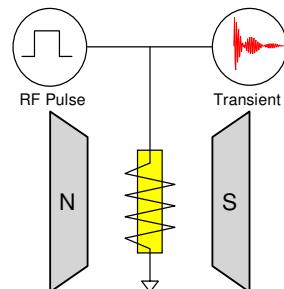
獲得核磁共振信號的條件：

- 固定的外加磁場；
- 發射和接收射頻的裝置；
- 樣品

核磁共振信號產生的原理

- 射頻脈衝通過線圈改變核磁矩的方向；
- 轉動的核磁矩作切割磁力線運動，使線圈中的磁通量發生變化；
- 磁通量的變化，在線圈中產生感應電流，即核磁共振信號。

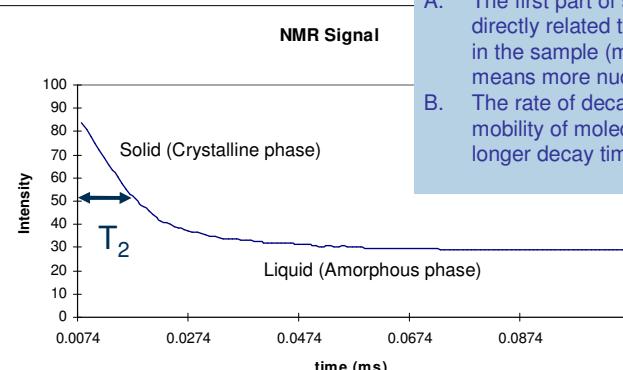
**與發電機工作原理相似**



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## TD-NMR Signal

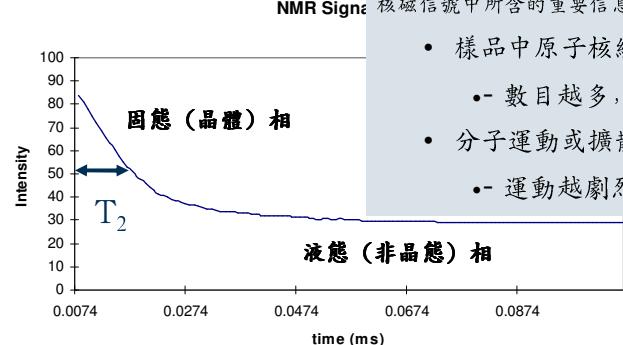


- A. The first part of signal (intensity) is directly related to the number of nuclei in the sample (more NMR signal means more nuclei in the sample);
- B. The rate of decay ( $T_2$ ) is related to mobility of molecules (liquids have longer decay time than solids).

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## TD-NMR Signal



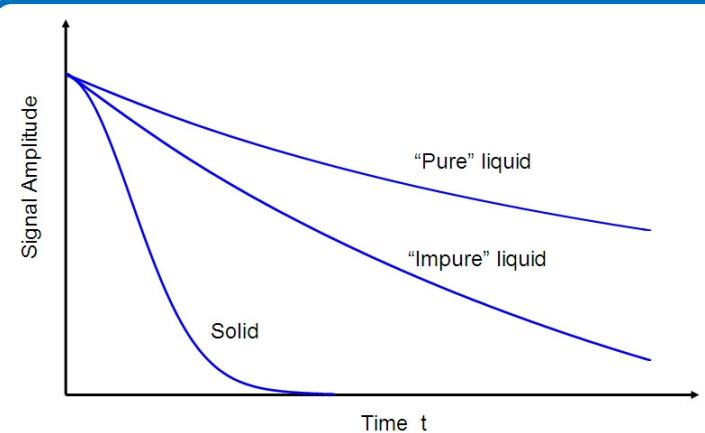
所觀測到的核磁共振信號是隨時間衰減的信號；  
核磁信號中所含的重要信息：

- 樣品中原子核總數目
  - 數目越多，信號越強
- 分子運動或擴散程度
  - 運動越劇烈， $T_2$ 越長

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## TD-NMR Signals



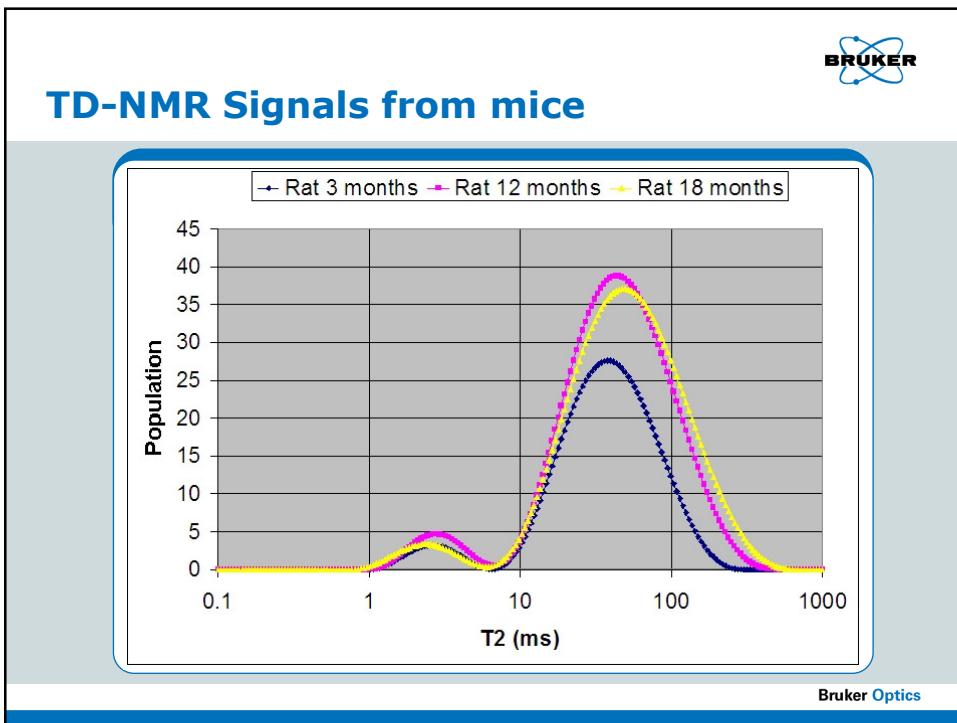
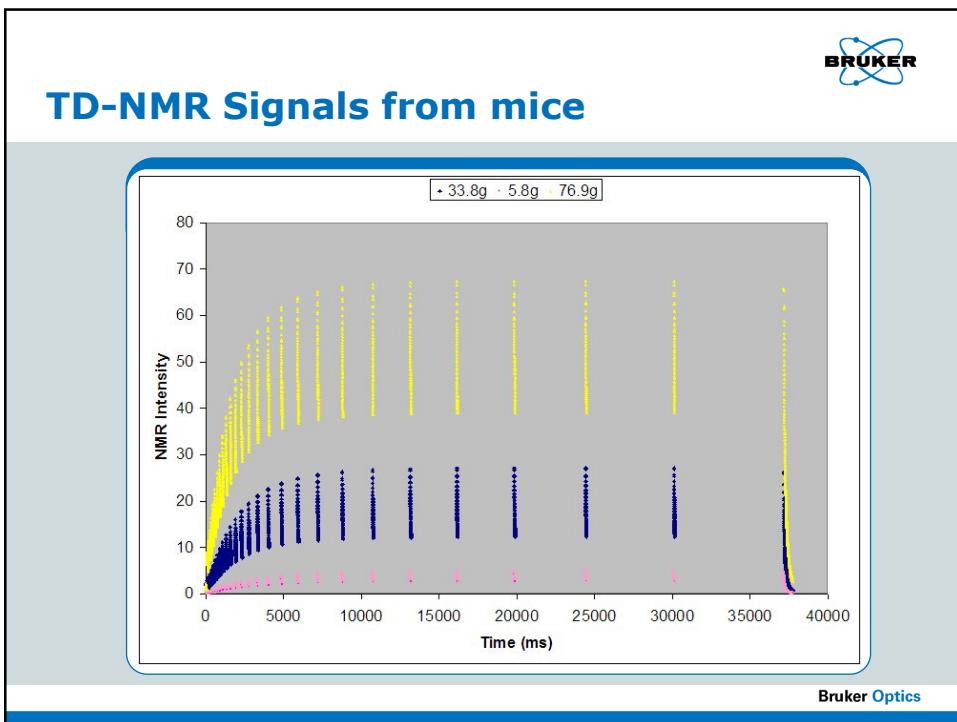
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## 利用小核磁作測量的特點

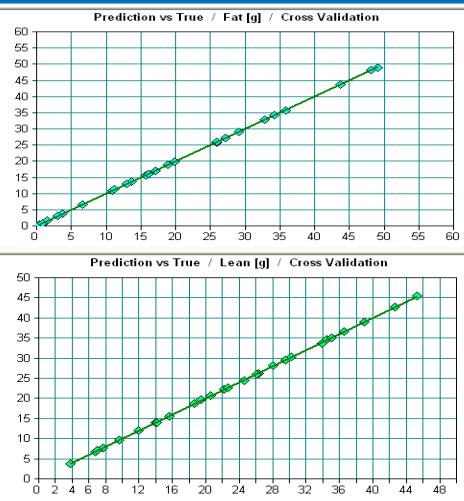
- 樣品直接測量，無需任何處理
- 分析迅速(在數秒至數分鐘內完成)
- 樣品分析無損無傷，可進行重複測量
- 整體樣品分析，無表面效應，顏色效應
- 定標過程和模型簡單
- 操作簡單，結果不受操作人員的水平影響
- 有大量被驗證過的工業應用
- 有相應國際測量標準作後盾

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## BCA Calibration



TD-NMR is a proven technique for the determination of body fat and lean in live mice and rats.

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## Measuring a rat



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## BCA by NMR: Accuracy & Precision



No	Sample ID	Date Time	Fat (g)	Lean (g)	Fluid (g)
387	MySample	SEP.15.2005 09:57	70.65	4.94	14.04
388	MySample	SEP.15.2005 09:59	70.74	4.87	14.08
389	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:01	70.66	4.88	14.04
390	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:04	70.75	4.84	14.06
391	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:06	70.62	4.96	14.06
392	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:08	70.66	4.89	14.05
393	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:10	70.75	4.83	14.07
394	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:13	70.74	4.87	14.08
395	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:15	70.63	4.94	14.07
396	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:17	70.66	4.88	14.07
397	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:20	70.63	4.9	14.08
398	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:22	70.71	4.86	14.11
399	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:24	70.7	4.92	14.11
400	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:27	70.72	4.88	14.1
401	MySample	SEP.15.2005 10:29	70.63	4.89	14.1

Repeated measurements on a phantom sample

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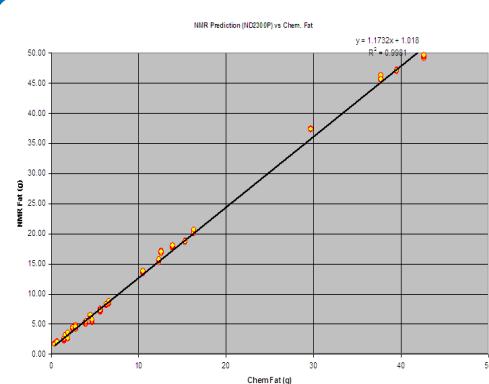
## BCA by NMR: Accuracy & Precision



### Duplicate rat test results:

Sample	Weight g	Fat %	Fluid %	Lean %
OM_91	621	30.2%	4.4%	58.6%
OM_91	621	30.6%	3.8%	58.0%
OM_92	468	24.3%	3.9%	65.9%
OM_92	468	24.0%	3.7%	65.6%
OM_93	557	28.3%	3.8%	61.2%
OM_93	557	28.5%	4.1%	61.4%
OM_94	486	19.1%	3.4%	70.5%
OM_94	486	19.0%	3.6%	70.7%
OM_95	609	28.5%	4.1%	60.8%
OM_95	609	28.5%	4.1%	60.7%
OM_96	586	25.9%	3.4%	62.8%
OM_96	586	25.7%	3.4%	63.2%
OM_97	617	27.5%	4.1%	61.4%
OM_97	617	27.2%	4.4%	61.8%
OM_98	156	19.7%	4.2%	69.9%
OM_98	156	20.1%	3.8%	69.1%
OM_99	267	20.8%	3.9%	71.0%
OM_99	267	20.3%	3.9%	71.4%

Repeatability



NMR vs Chemical Analysis

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## BCA by NMR: Validation

### Results of awake Animal

	Fat / g	Lean / g
Anesthetized Mouse:	<b>4.01 (STD 0.01)</b>	<b>19.87 (STD 0.16)</b>
Live Mouse:	<b>4.14 (STD 0.11)</b>	<b>18.2 (STD 0.4)</b>

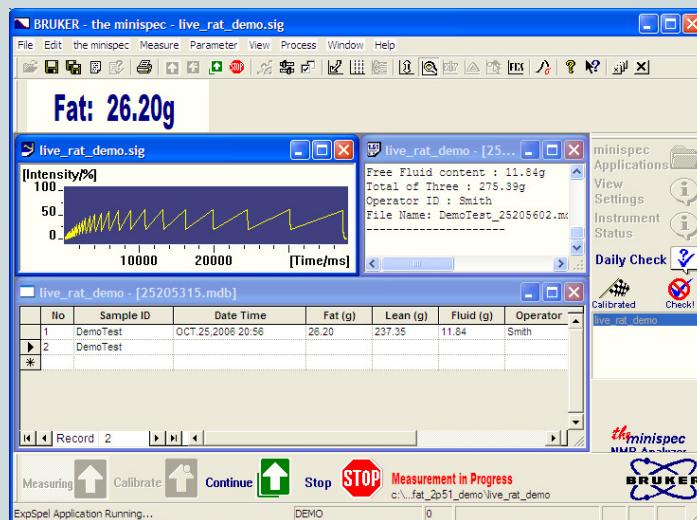
### NMR vs. DEXA vs. Carcass Analysis

	Fat(NMR) / g	Fat(DEXA) / g	Fat(Chem) / g
Mouse I:	<b>12.8 ± 0.7</b>	<b>12.6 ± 1.0</b>	<b>9.0 ± 0.6</b>
Obese Mouse:	<b>30.1 ± 0.9</b>	<b>30.2 ± 1.3</b>	<b>24.1 ± 0.9</b>

DEXA: double energy X-ray absorption

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## Software Interface



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## Selected Customer List



### **Key customers**

Sanofi-Aventis  
Johnson & Johnson  
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Penn State University  
University of Michigan  
Oklahoma University  
Laval University  
Guanjo University, Korea



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## LF90II Characteristics



**NMR Frequency:**

**6.2MHz**

**Magnet Type:**

**Rare earth permanent magnet**

**Magnet Temperature:**

**Controlled to 0.01°C precision or better**

**NMR transmitter:**

**Broadband, 220W, linear power attenuation**

**NMR receiver:**

**Temperature regulated, gain range 80dB in 1dB steps**

**Sample size:**

**up to 850g**

**Parameters Analyzed:**

**Body Fat, Body Lean and Body Free Fluid**

**Sample Holders:**

**51mm OD for mice, 89mm OD for rats**

**Analysis Time:**

**ca. 2 minutes per animal**

**Analysis repeatability:**

**better than 0.5g for each component**

**Short Term Stability:**

**STDEV< 0.3 for each component within 2 hours**

**Long Term Stability:**

**STDEV< 0.5 for each component within 100 hours**

**Results data format:**

**Microsoft Access and Excel data files**

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## LF90II Characteristics

<b>Dimensions:</b>	<b>62 x 48 x 122 cm (D x W x H)</b>
<b>Weight:</b>	<b>ca. 380kg</b>
<b>Sitting:</b>	<b>Sealed enclosure on wheels</b>
<b>Power requirement:</b>	<b>115 or 220VAC, 700W</b>
<b>Host PC:</b>	<b>Any Pentium PC running Microsoft Windows XP</b>
<b>NMR software:</b>	<b>Runs with Windows XP Pro</b>
<b>Instrument GLP:</b>	<b>Automatic logging of system status and state of all major components Daily Check and Automatically logging system parameters Extensive diagnostics for all major components</b>
<b>Calibration:</b>	<b>Pre-calibrated by factory</b>
<b>Calibration Tools:</b>	<b>Available with the system</b>
<b>Calibration by User:</b>	<b>Available (optional)</b>

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## LF90II Characteristics

### GLP Features

- Self test on all units, Daily check**
- Internal signal routing, calibration validation**
- Automatic data logging, QC statistic monitoring**
- Raw data and calibration protection**
- Remote data access**
- Remote system diagnostic**

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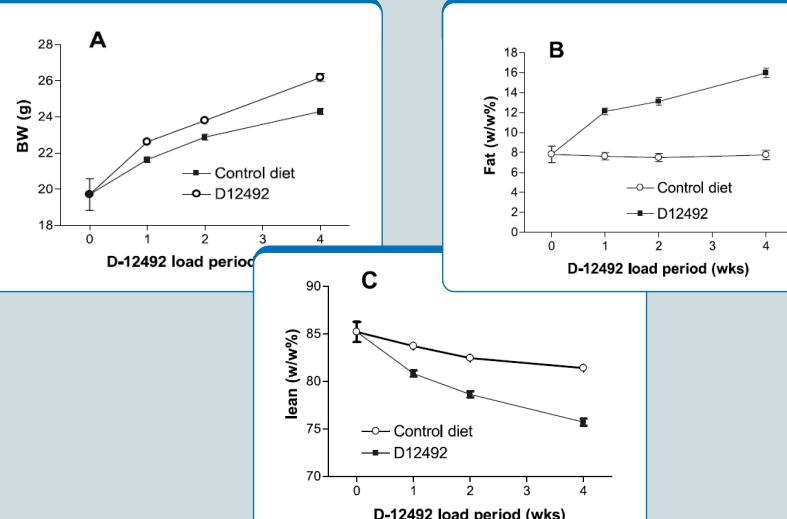


## BCA by TD-NMR

Examples from publications

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**Fig. 3** Changes of body weight(g), fat mass rate and lean mass rate (w/w%) in mice fed a high fat diet, D12492 (35 w/w% lard), during a 4-week period. A, body weight (g); B, fat mass rate (w/w%) to body weight; C, lean mass rate (w/w%) to body weight. Control diet, CE-2 (Clea Japan) contains 4.4 w/w% fat.



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## Fat in Liver

**Table 2** Fat contents of liver in mice after overnight fasting

Groups	liver weight (g)	NMR parameters		fat contents in liver <sup>b</sup> (mg/g liver)	TG contents <sup>c</sup> (mg/g liver)
		fat mass (g)	lean mass (g)		
Fasting	1.179 ± 0.044	0.240 ± 0.018	0.93 ± 0.04	202.9 ± 11.39	57.33 ± 2.13
Ad lib control	1.382 ± 0.032	0.208 ± 0.007	1.07 ± 0.03	151.2 ± 5.59	3.52 ± 0.38

<sup>b</sup>estimated using following equation: fat mass (mg) / liver wight (g), <sup>c</sup>enzyme assay

**Table 3** Fat contents of liver in mice orally treated with PPAR $\gamma$  agonist for 10 days

Diet	Drug	n	liver weight (g)	NMR method		Biochemical method		
				fat mass (g)	lean mass (g)	Fat content (mg/g liver)	TG (mg/g liver)	TC (mg/g liver)
HFD	vehicle (0.5%MC)	10	2.472±0.061	0.614±0.060	1.716±0.061	243.9±13.8	61.68±4.87	5.87±0.80
	PPAR $\gamma$ agonist, 10mpk	10	1.944±0.093	0.331±0.023	1.429±0.067	177.7± 4.2	29.22±4.86	3.43±0.60
CE-2	vehicle (0.5%MC)	5	1.941±0.058	0.238±0.012	1.416±0.065	122.8± 6.2	7.63±0.35	2.65±0.10

HFD: 35w/w% fat diet, CE-2: control diet (4.4w/w% fat diet), Biochemical method: enzyme assay using commercial kits (KYOWA determiner)

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## Tissue Analysis using other minispec instruments



### Mq-20TA

NMR Frequency: 20MHz  
Magnet type: permanent 0.47T  
Magnet Temperature: controlled  
Sample range: 0.05 – 5g  
Sample Holder: 18mm dia. O.D.  
Sitting: On-bench or cart-mounted on wheels  
Host PC: Pentium 4 or higher  
ISO9001 standard certified

### Mq-60TA

NMR Frequency: 60MHz  
Magnet type: permanent 1.41T  
Magnet Temperature: controlled  
Sample range: 3.0 – 150mg  
Sample Holder: 7.5mm dia. O.D.  
Sitting: On-bench or cart-mounted on wheels  
Host PC: Pentium 4 or higher  
ISO9001 standard certified



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## Operation

- 1** Load sample into a vial, then place the vial into a test tube
- 2** Insert the test tube into the minispec instrument
- 3** Click the Measure button to start analysis.



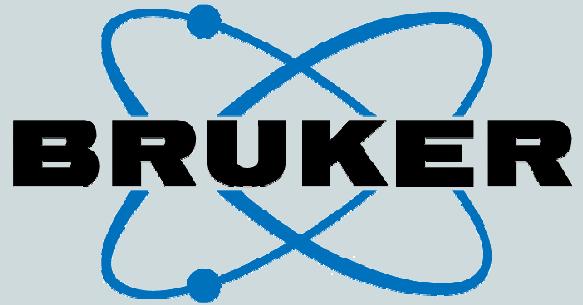
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## Summary

### TD-NMR for Body Composition Analysis

1. Animal is analyzed as **Whole**
2. **No Anesthetizing** is needed
  - Less stress for animals, and high throughput
3. **Rapid** Analysis
  - Less than 2 minutes per measurement
4. High **Reproducibility**
  - Better than DEXA and Chemical methods

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