Assay Development Working Group - Experiments for Assay Characterization

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 - · freeze-thaw cycles
- · Variability compared to data collected from Experiment 2.



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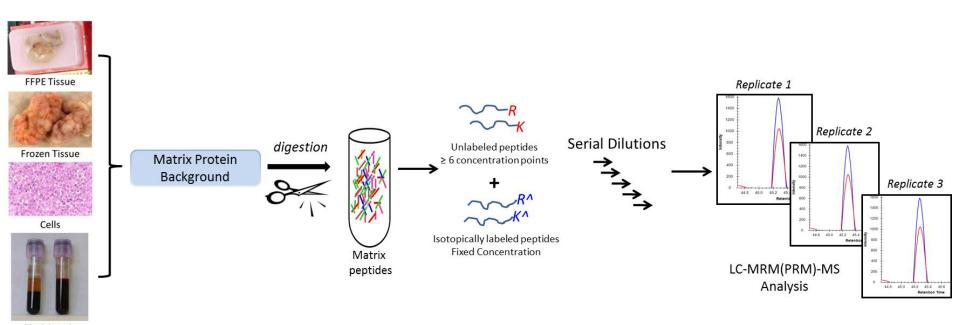
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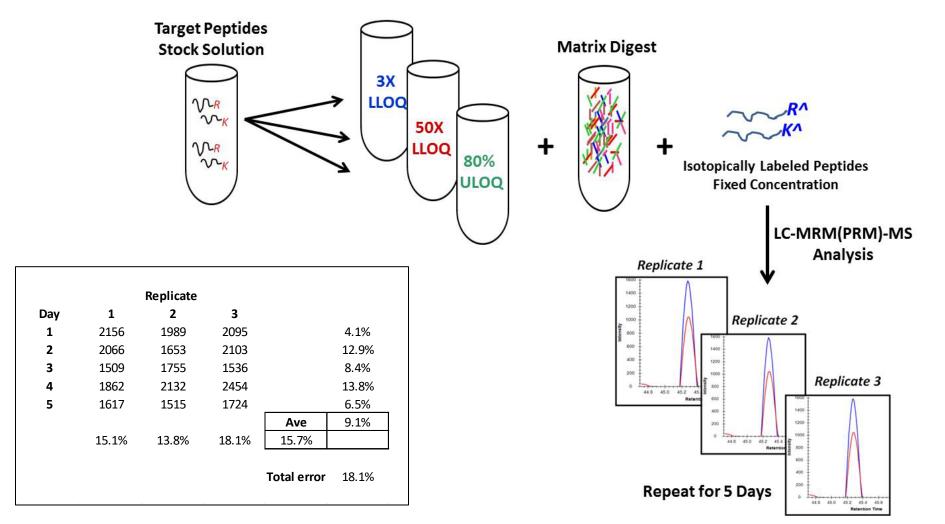
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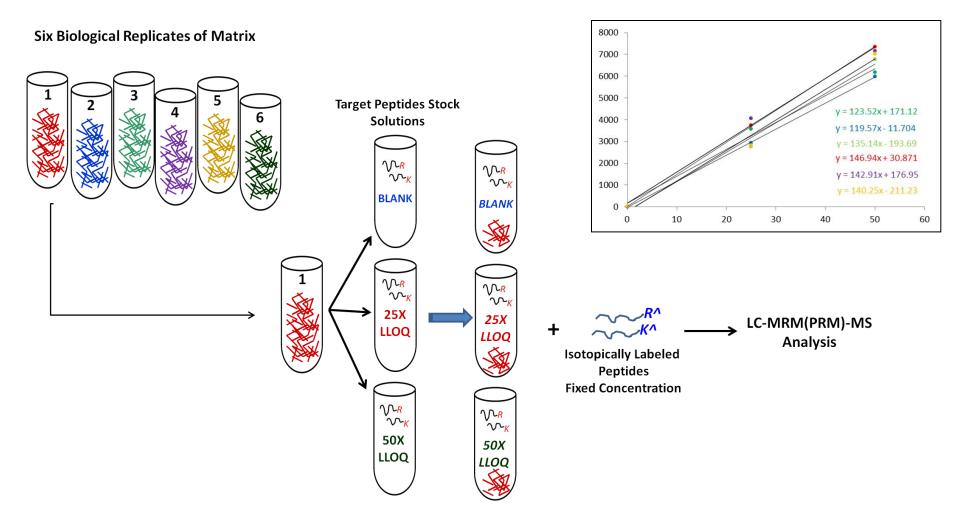
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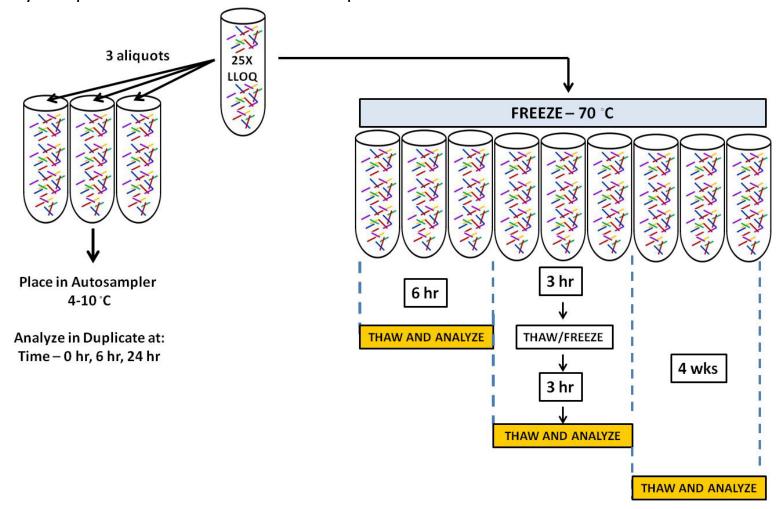
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