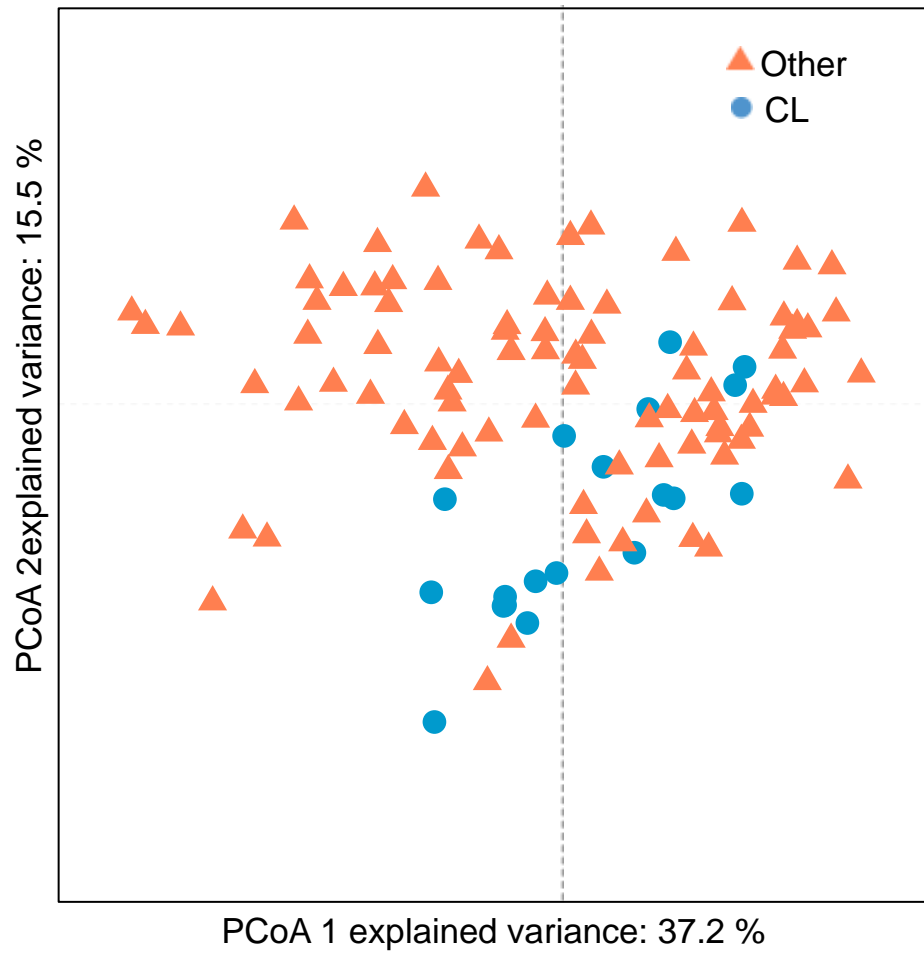


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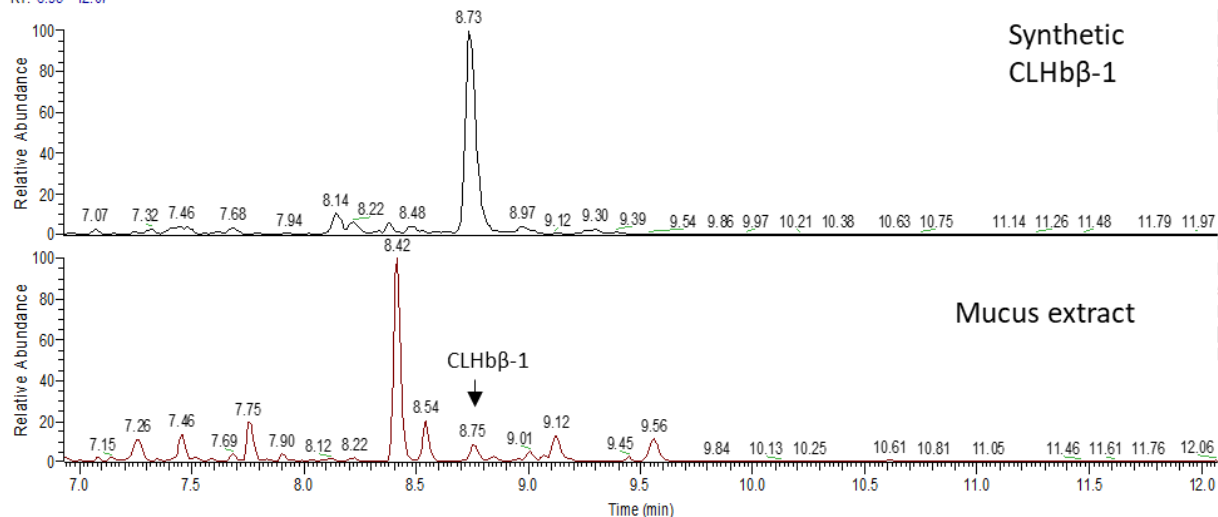
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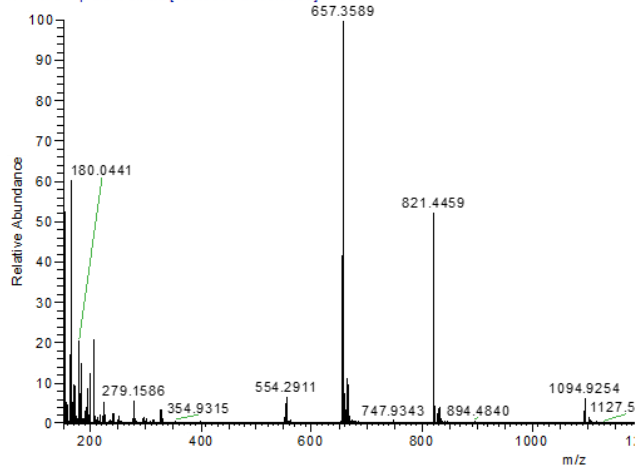


Supplementary Figure 1: PCoA analysis of gill mucus metabolome (apolar fraction) of parasitized (other, orange triangles) and non-parasitized (*C. lunulatus*, CL, blue circles) butterflyfish. ANOSIM P-value > 0.05.

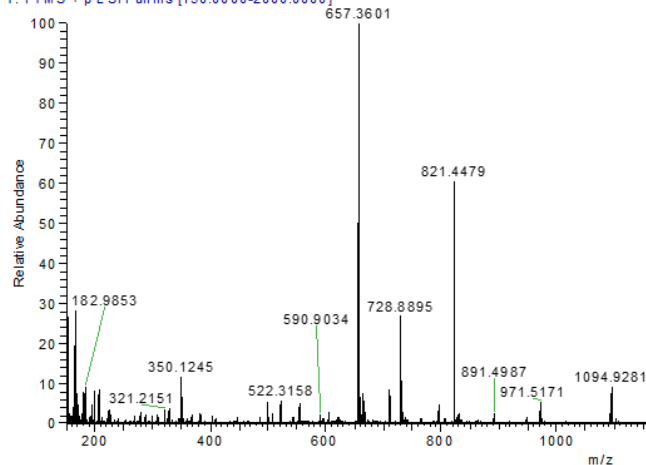
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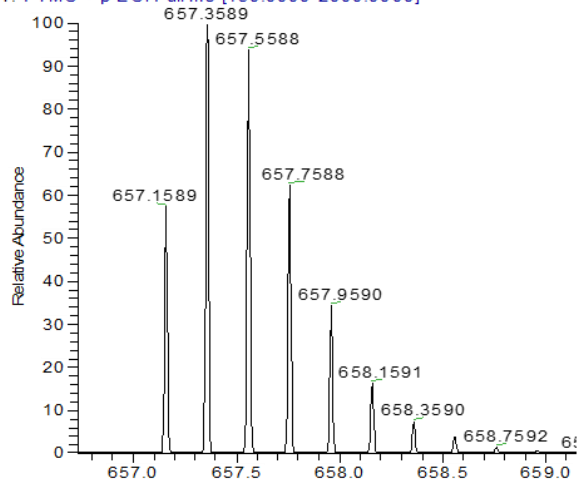
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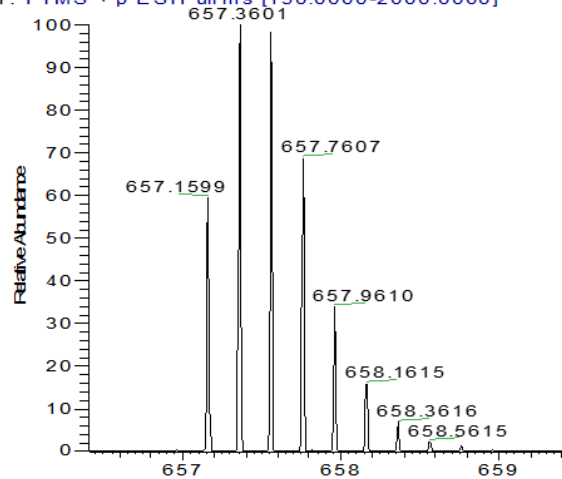
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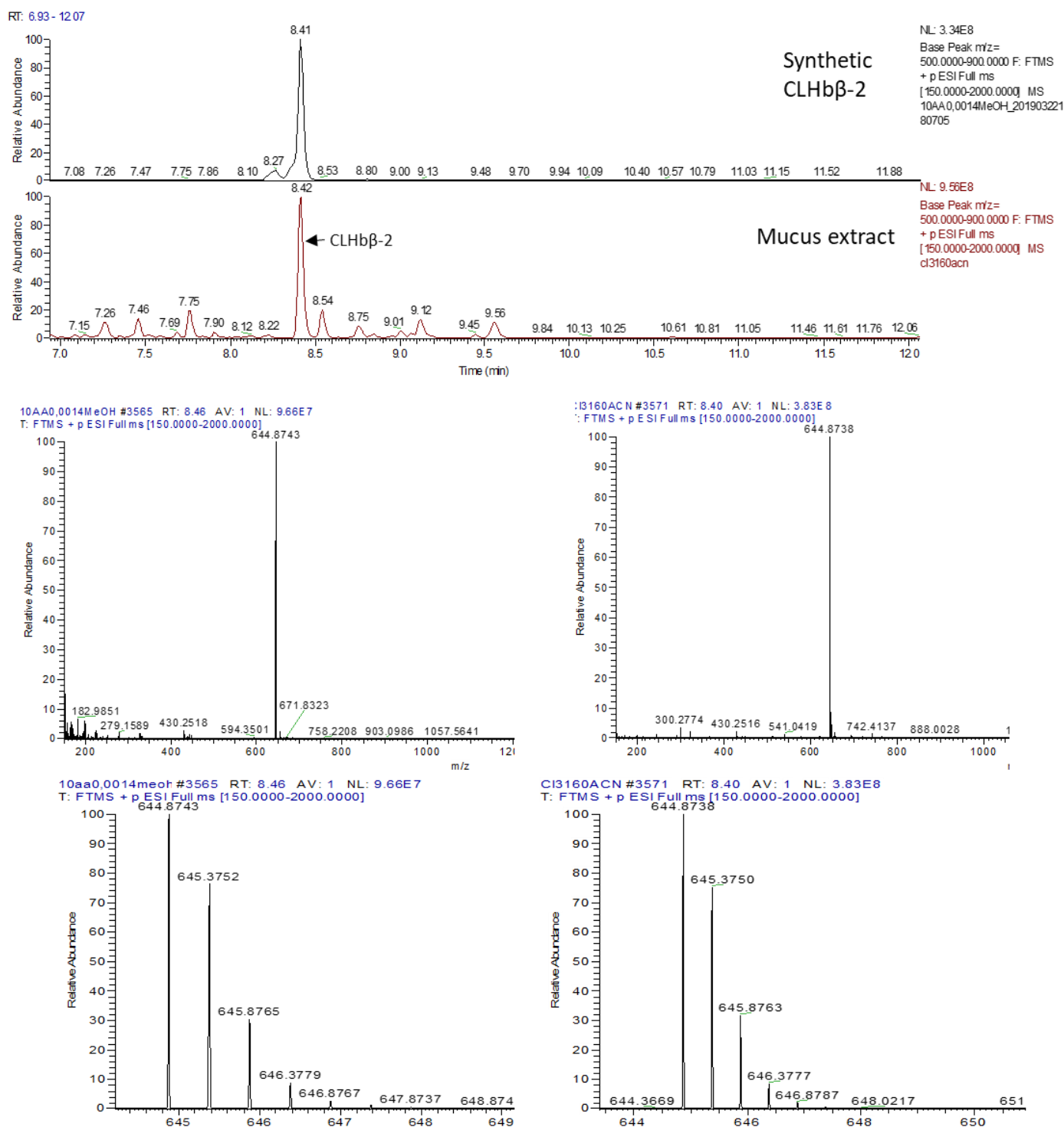
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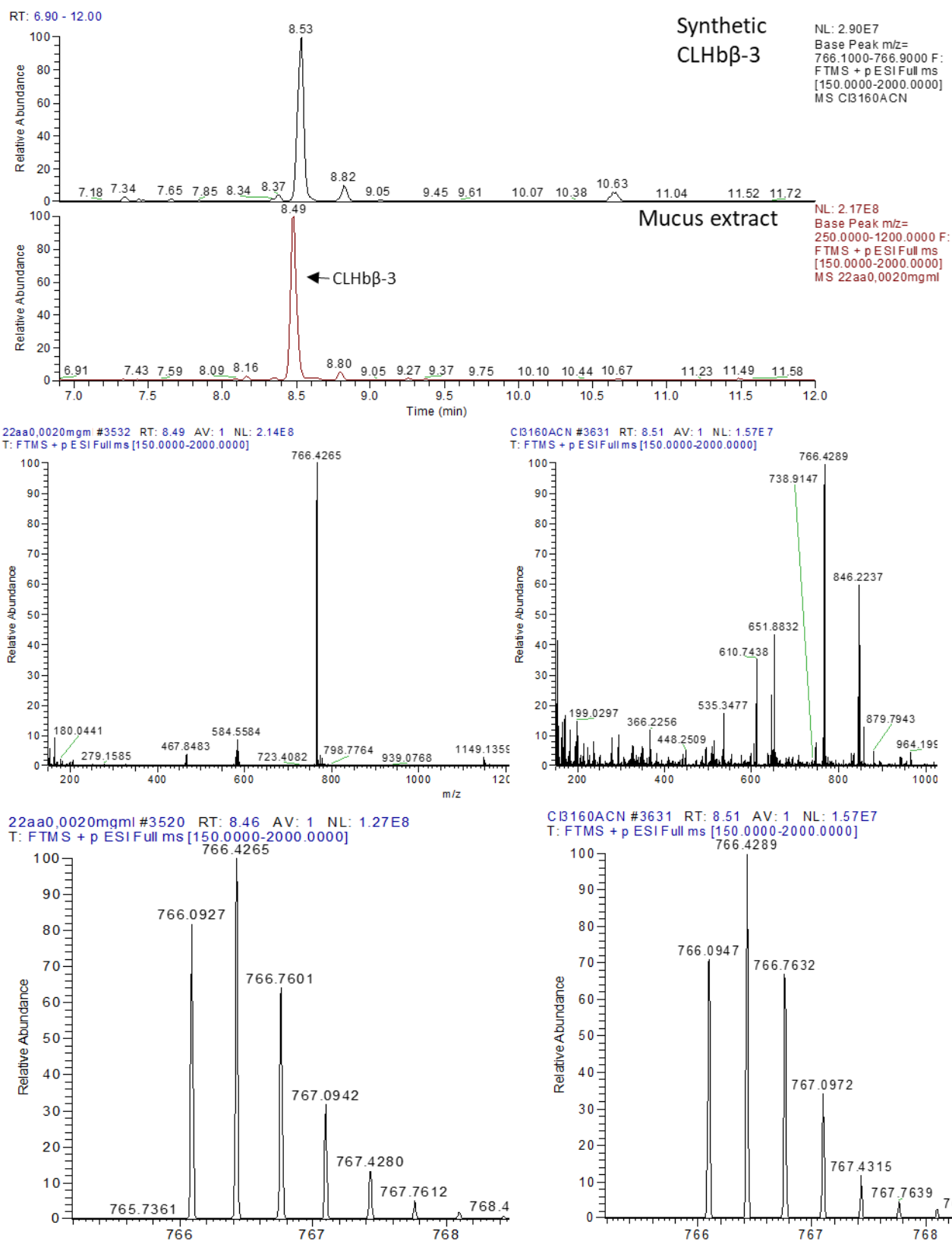
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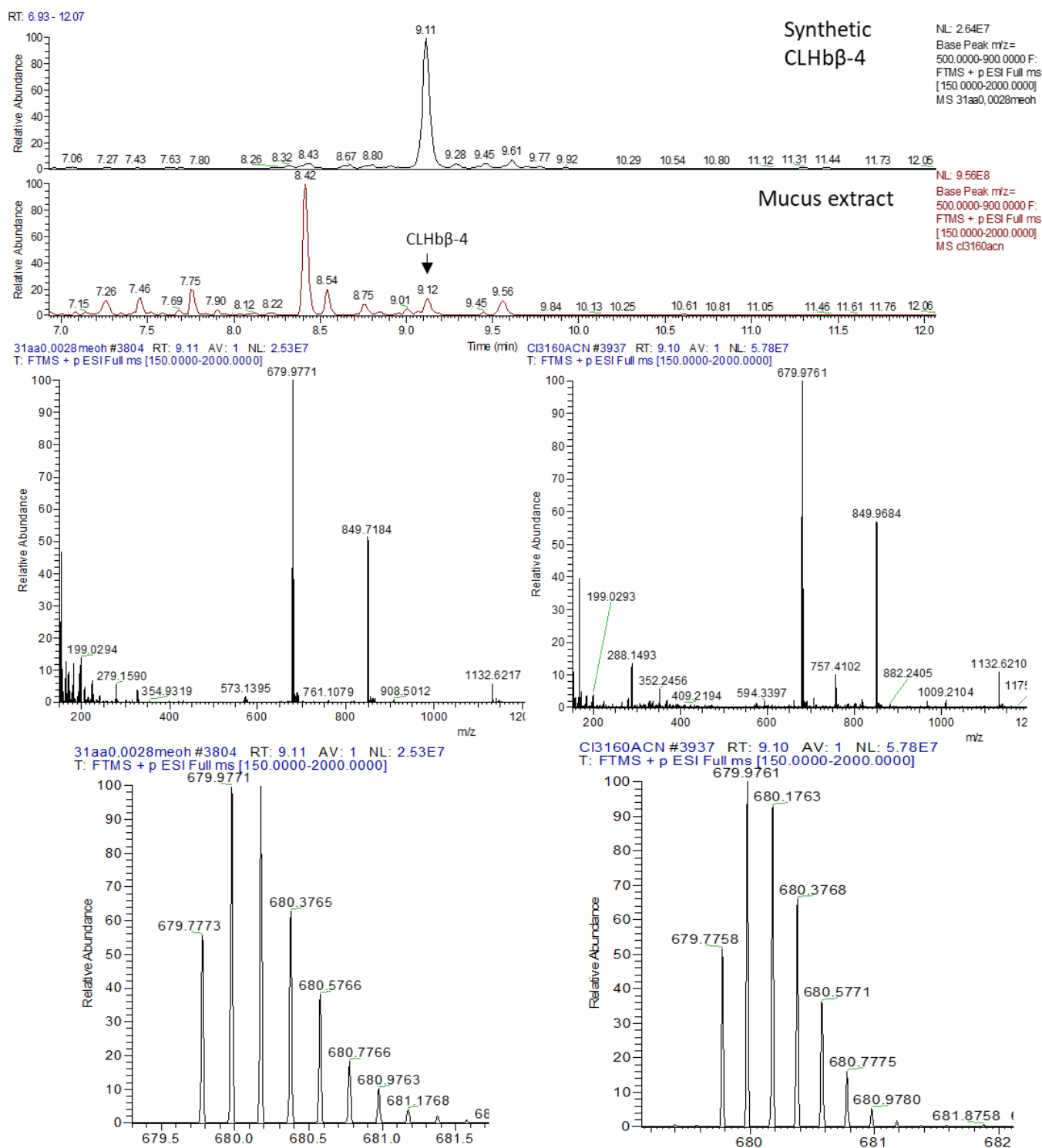
Supplementary Figure 2: LC-HRMS ESI<sup>+</sup> analysis of the synthetic peptide CLHbβ-1 and the acidic enriched peptidic fraction of *Chaetodon lunulatus* mucus. Respective mass spectrum and isotopic cluster of multicharged ions of synthetic (left) and natural (right) peptides are presented below the chromatograms.



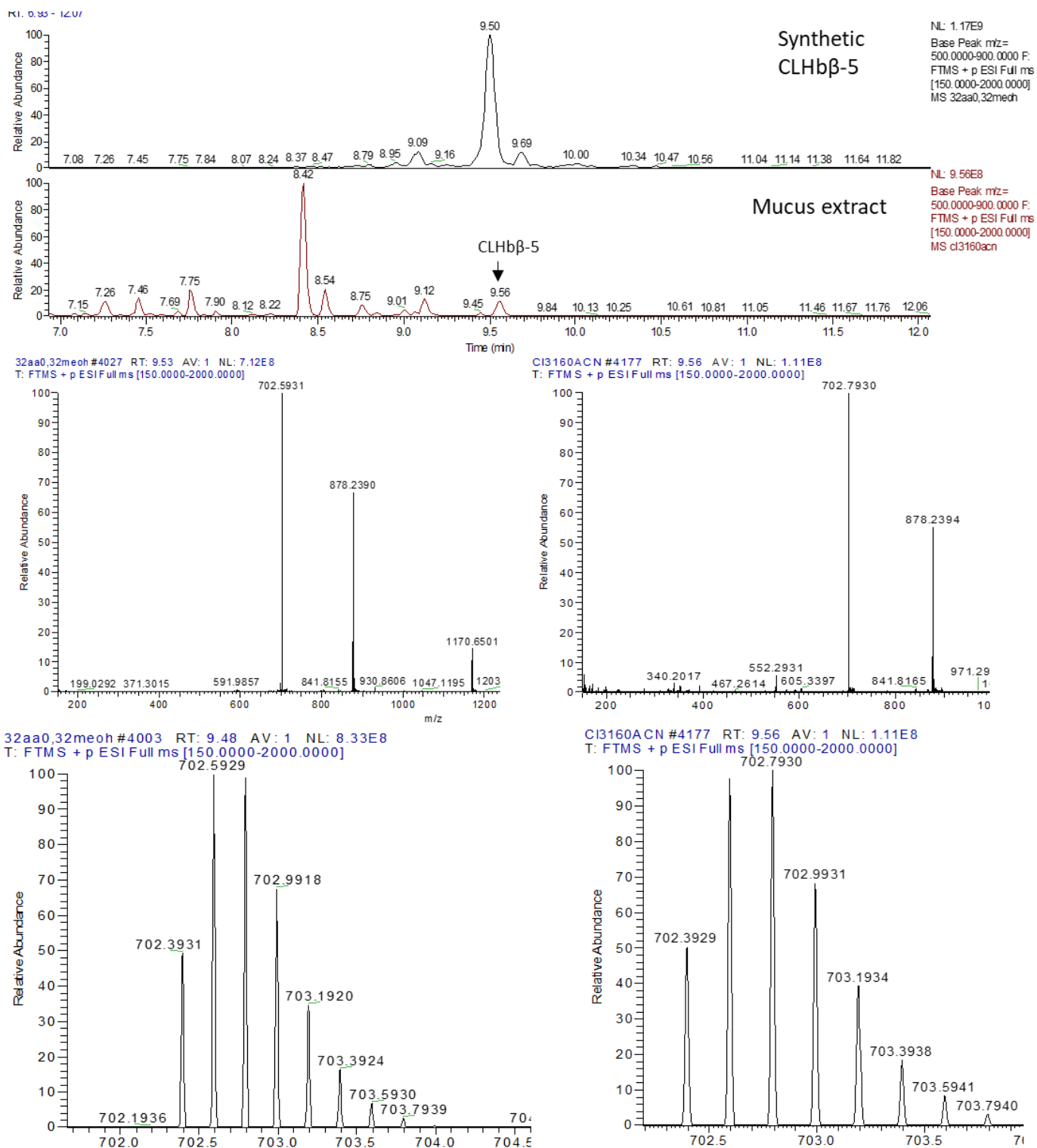
Supplementary Figure 3: LC-HRMS ESI<sup>+</sup> analysis of the synthetic peptide CLHb $\beta$ -2 and the acidic enriched peptidic fraction of *Chaetodon lunulatus* mucus. Respective mass spectrum and isotopic cluster of multicharged ions of synthetic (left) and natural (right) peptides are presented below the chromatograms.



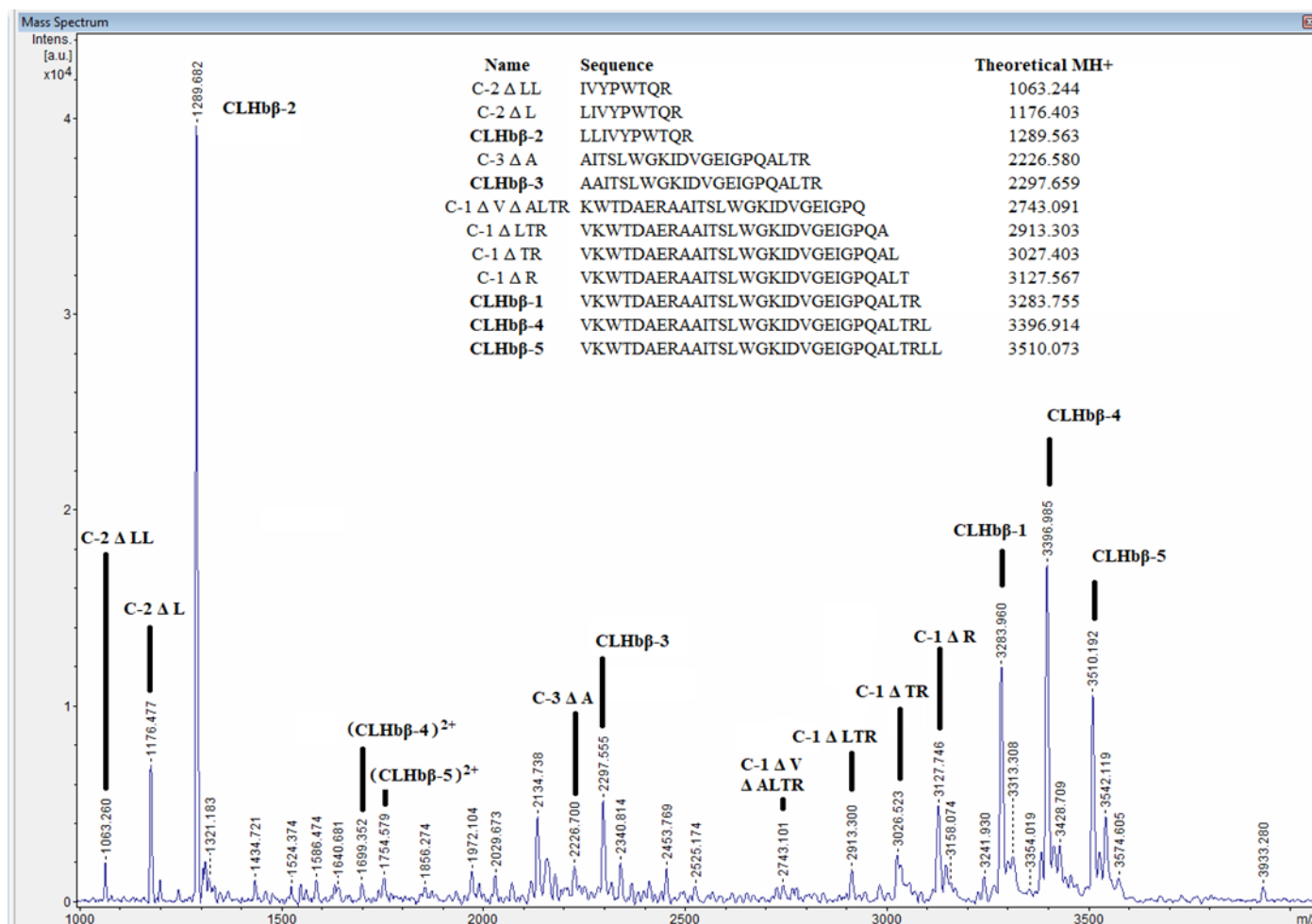
Supplementary Figure 4: LC-HRMS ESI+ analysis of the synthetic peptide CLHbβ-3 and the acidic enriched peptidic fraction of *Chaetodon lunulatus* mucus in ion extraction mode. Respective mass spectrum and isotopic cluster of multicharged ions of synthetic (left) and natural (right) peptides are presented below the chromatograms.



Supplementary Figure 5: LC-HRMS ESI+ analysis of the synthetic peptide CLHb $\beta$ -4 and the acidic enriched peptidic fraction of *Chaetodon lunulatus* mucus. Respective mass spectrum and isotopic cluster of multicharged ions of synthetic (left) and natural (right) peptides are presented below the chromatograms.



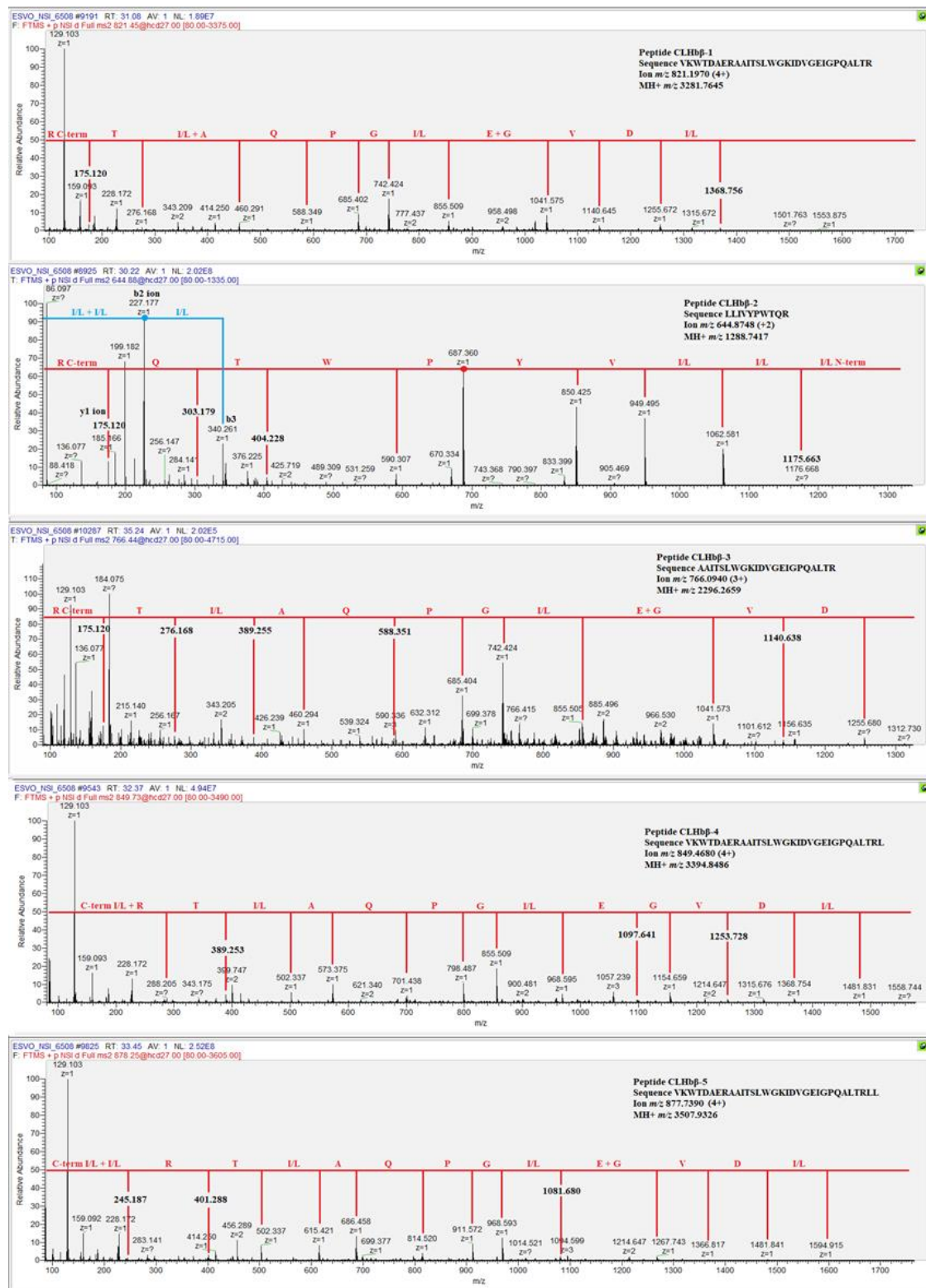
Supplementary Figure 6: LC-HRMS ESI+ analysis of the synthetic peptide CLHb $\beta$ -5 and the acidic enriched peptidic fraction of *Chaetodon lunulatus* mucus. Respective mass spectrum and isotopic cluster of multicharged ions of synthetic (left) and natural (right) peptides are presented below the chromatograms.



Supplementary Figure 7: MALDI-MS spectrum of the peptides extracted from *Chaetodon lunulatus* gill mucus

Peptides from the gill mucus of the butterflyfish *C. lunulatus* were acid-extracted and pre-fractionated by C<sub>18</sub> solid-phase extraction (SPE). The displayed spectrum is the result of the MALDI-MS analysis in positive linear mode of the fraction eluted with 60% MeCN in 0.05% TFA water (see Material-Method for details). The table inserted in the spectrum is listing the sequences and theoretical  $m/z$  values (average mass) of the MH<sup>+</sup> ion of the five peptides which were further analysed in this study (CLHbβ #1 to 5). This MALDI-MS spectrum also reveals the presence of multiple hypothetical peptides which, according to the mass differences, derive from the degradation of the CLHbβ-1, CLHbβ-2 or CLHbβ-3 peptide (peaks labeled C-1 Δ X, C-2 Δ X, or C-3 Δ X, respectively, X being the aminoacids lost from the N-terminal or C-terminal ends). In case of CLHbβ 4 and -5, peaks corresponding to the double –charged ions (2+) are also present.





Supplementary Figure 8: MS-MS spectra of the peptides CLHbβ #1 to 5

Peptides isolated from the gill mucus of the butterflyfish *Chaetodon lunulatus* were analysed by nanoLC-MS/MS (see Material-Method for details). We focused on the analysis of five peptides whose presence was revealed by the chromatographic separation. The MS/MS spectra of these peptides were analysed by manual *de novo* sequencing, and the sequence further confirmed by comparison to a protein sequence database (Uniprot). The fragment ions, mostly from the y-ion series, which allowed us to confirm these peptides' sequences have been annotated on these MS/MS spectra. The theoretical  $m/z$  values for the monoisotopic ion selected for MS/MS and of the MH<sup>+</sup> monoisotopic ion are indicated on each spectrum, with the peptide's sequence. C-term, N-term: C-terminal and N-terminal end of the peptide sequence, respectively.

