

SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE S4. LC-MS +ESI analysis of an extract from corpus cardiacum material of the fruit fly *Ceratitis capitata* and confirmation of the AKH peptide structure by co-elution with synthetic peptide

Fig. S4 A - C. Determining the presence and primary amino acid structure of an AKH in a CC extract of *C. capitata* via LC-MS.

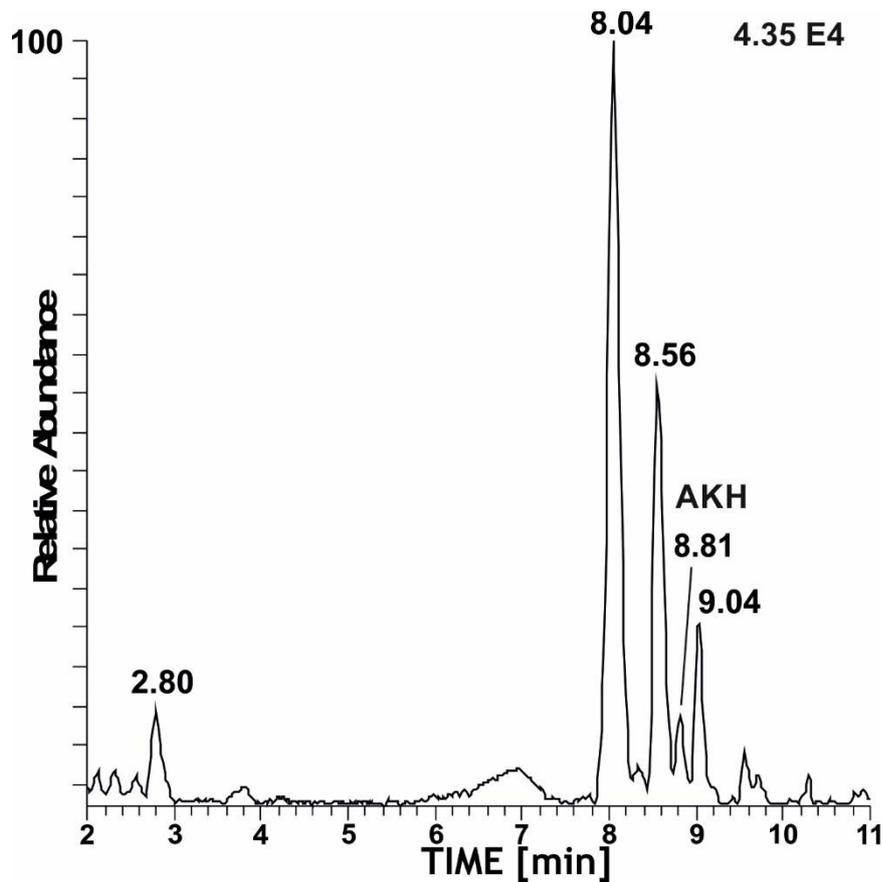


Fig. S4 A. A total ion chromatogram showing the detection of an adipokinetic hormone at 8.81 min.

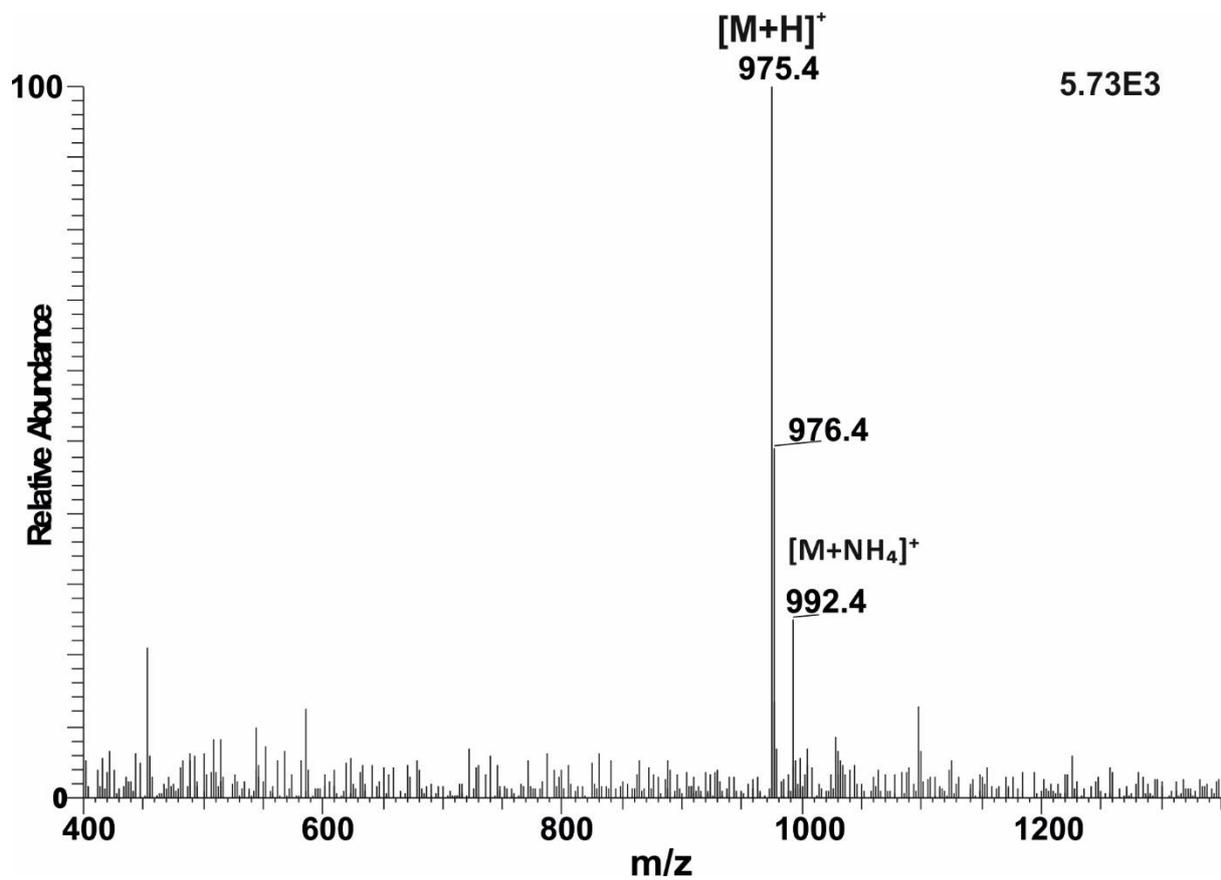


Fig. S4 B. A full scan +ESI mass spectrum recording of the peak at 8.81 min in Fig. S4A showing $[M + H]^+$ at m/z 975.4.

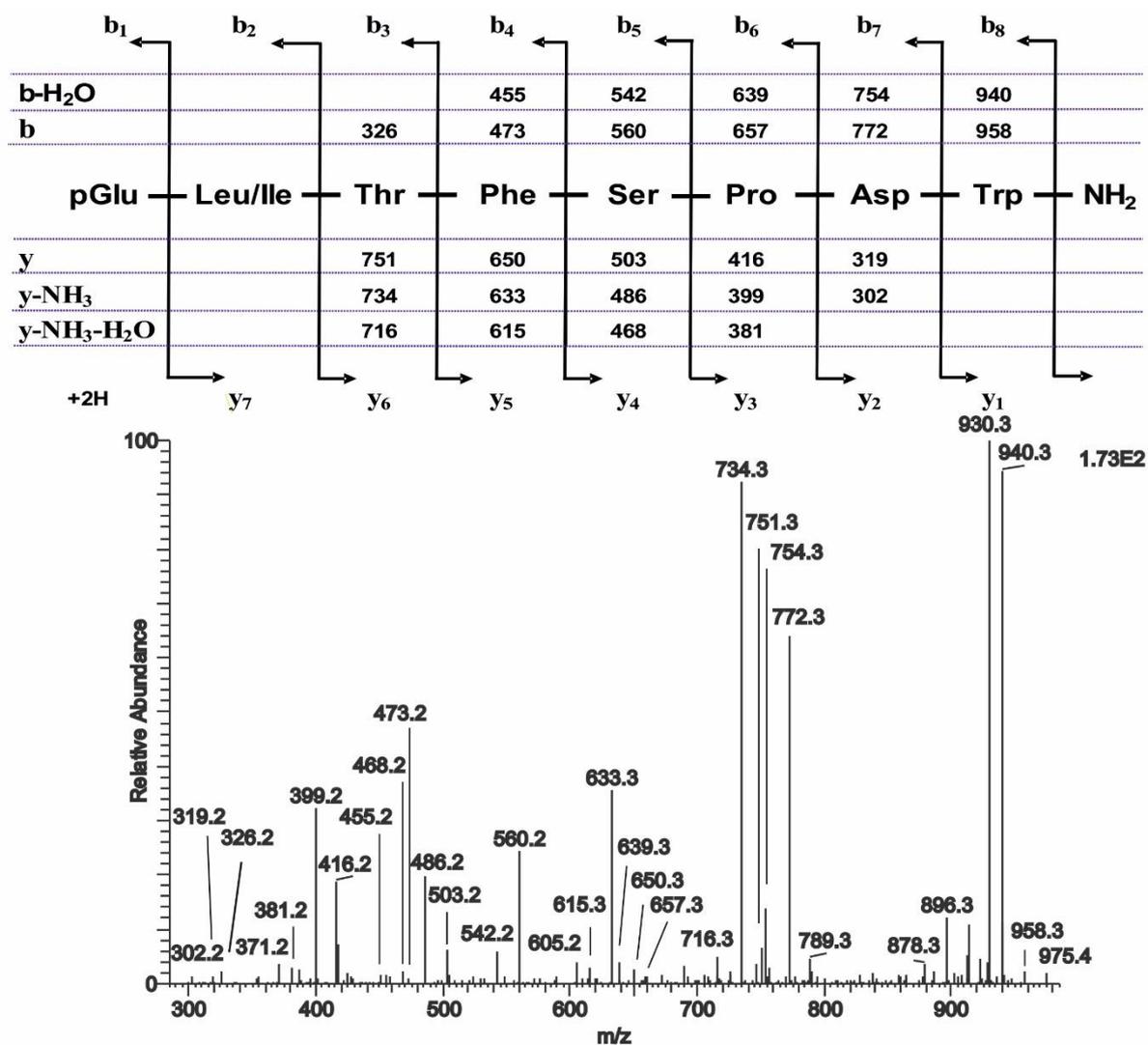


Fig. S4 C. A CID tandem + ESI mass spectrum of the ion $[M + H]^+ = 975.4$ in Fig. S4B from the CC of the fruit fly *C. capitata*. The inset shows the proposed peptide sequence together with the b- and y-type diagnostic fragment ions observed in the MS² spectrum.

Fig. S4 D - F. Confirmation of the AKH peptide structure of the fruit fly *Ceratitis capitata* corpus cardiacum extract by LC-MS co-elution of the native peak with the corresponding synthetic AKH peptide. An extracted ion LC-MS chromatogram is depicted in each case for the detected AKH.

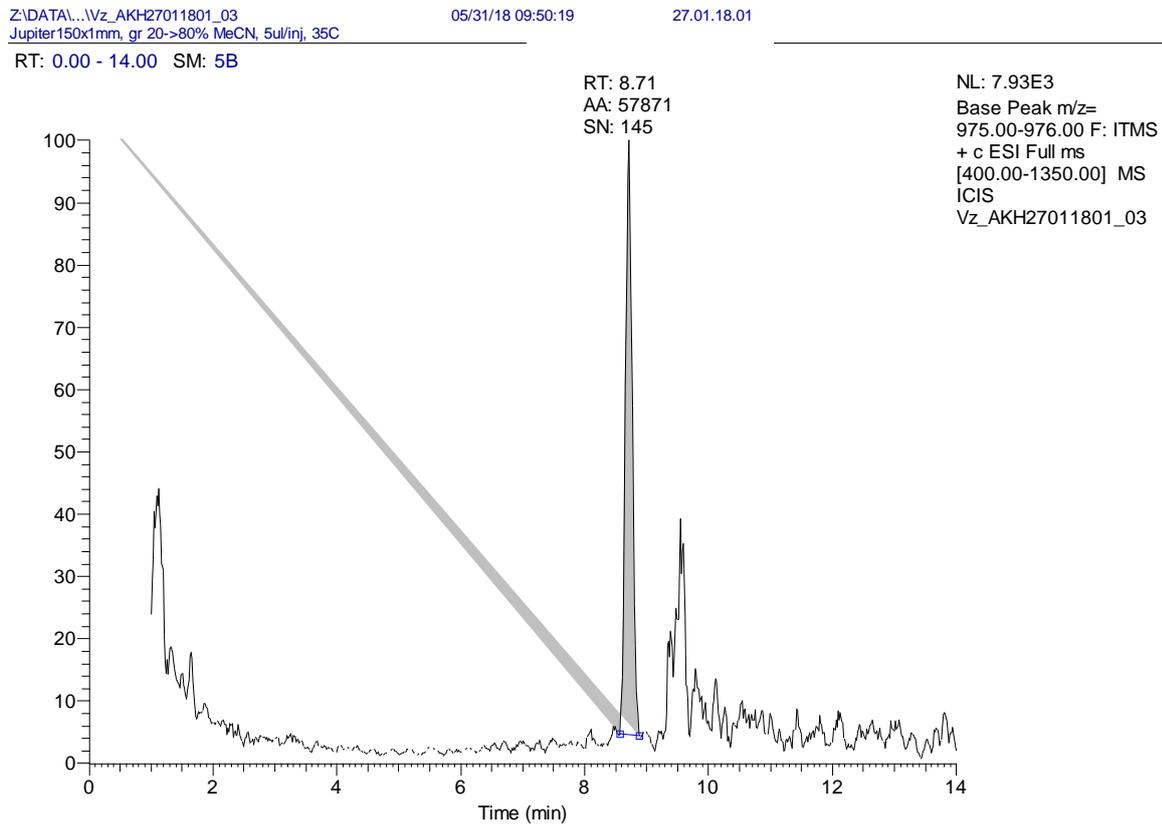


Fig. S4 D. Extracted chromatogram of the peak of *C. capitata* crude CC extract with the mass $MH^+ = 975.4$.

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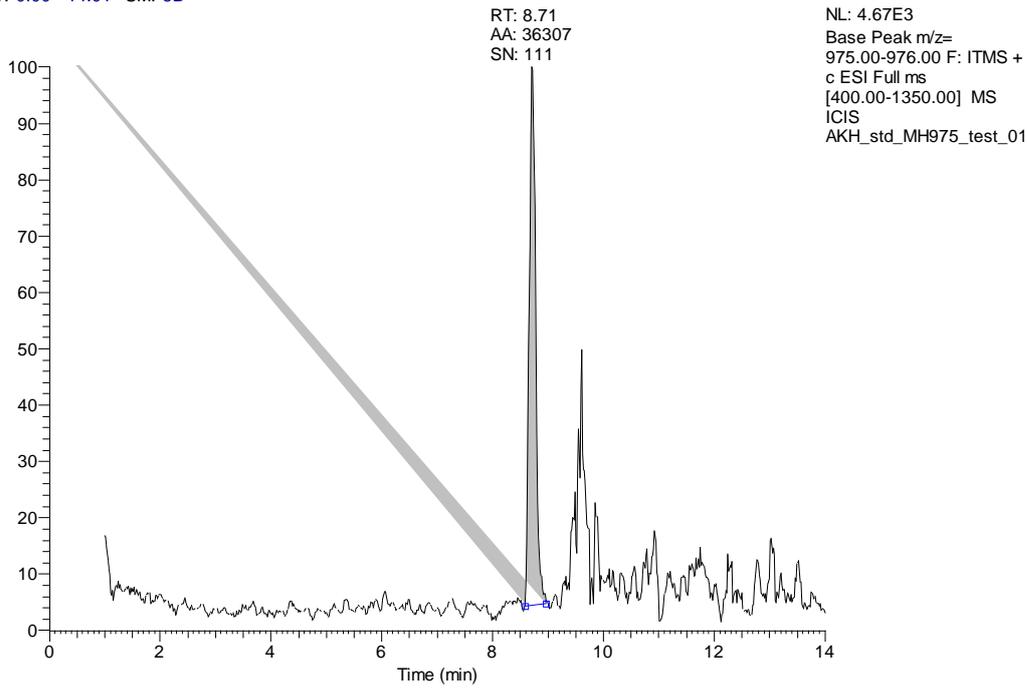


Fig. S4 E. Extracted chromatogram of the peak of synthetic Phote-HrTH ($MH^+ = 975.5$).

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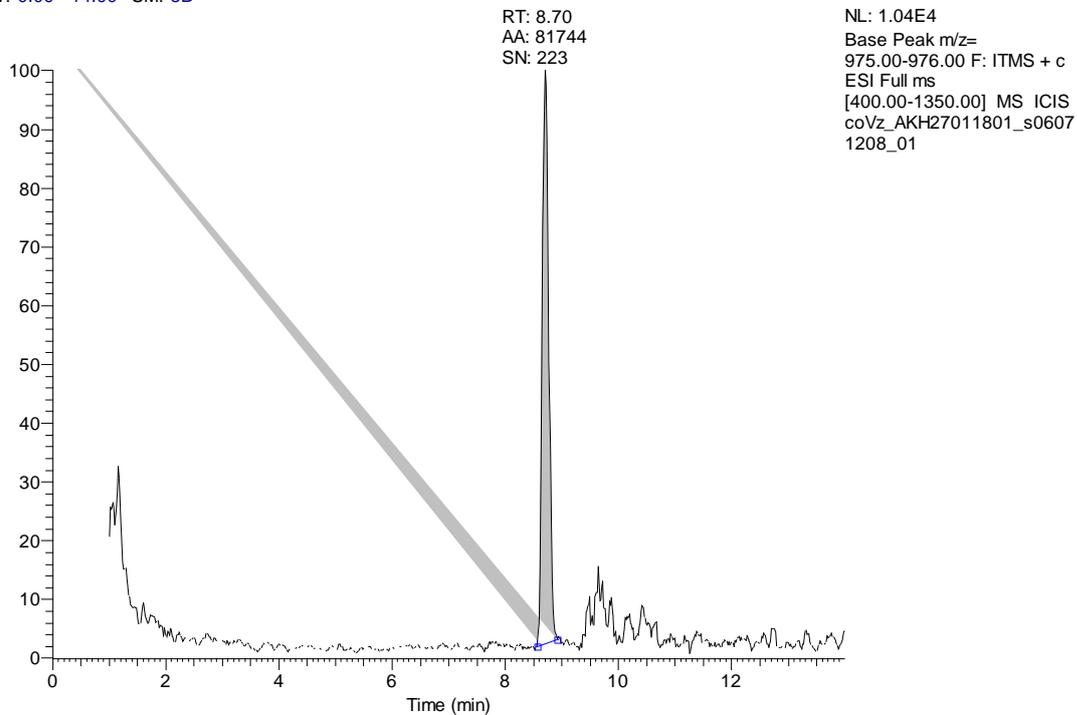


Fig. S4 F. Extracted chromatogram of the peak of crude CC extract with the mass $MH^+ = 975.4$ spiked with synthetic Phote-HrTH. The single peak proves that the native peptide has Leu at position 2, and is thus, Phote-HrTH: pELTFSPDW-NH₂.