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Abstract

Protein kinases are key signaling proteins responsible for maintaining cellular homeostasis. These enzymes catalyze the transfer of the y-phosphate of adenosine triphosphate (ATP) to a serine, threonine or tyrosine residue of a substrate protein. The introduction of this additional negative charge may control the function of the substrate, by altering conformation or altering sites of protein binding. Over 500 kinases serve diverse roles in integrating signals from extracellular stimuli, regulating the cell cycle, and regulating gene expression. The field of mass spectrometry based proteomics has made identifying and quantifying sites of phosphorylation on a proteome-wide basis relatively facile, with hundreds of thousands of sites of phosphorylation identified to date. However, there remains a disconnect between the few known substrates, and thus function, of any given kinase, and the hundreds of thousands of known sites of phosphorylation across the proteome. In this thesis, we describe efforts to close this gap through the engineering of a kinase to accept a bio-orthogonal analog of ATP as a substrate, and thus trace its substrates via mass spectrometry. We apply the technique to Cdk9, identifying a novel regulatory function in transcript termination, and AMPK, identifying evidence for the involvement of AMPK in mediating cell motility and adhesion. Furthermore, we demonstrate that GTPase Rab1 is a substrate of innate immunity kinase TAK1, and show phosphorylation of the dynamic switch region of Rab1, and perhaps Rab GTPases as a family, can regulate its function. In the second half of this thesis, we address efforts to further understand the interconnectivity of the kinome, as many kinases function in tightly orchestrated signaling cascades, with kinases phosphorylating substrate kinases. Through the use of the Multiplexed Kinase Inhibitor Bead (MIB) methodology, we investigate the how mis-regulation of

these cascades drives oncogenesis. Through the use of the MIBs approach, which enriches for activated kinases and is coupled to quantitative proteomics, we identify mechanisms of resistance to targeted kinase therapeutics as well as identify non-mutated kinase drivers of tumorgenesis. Lastly, we describe increased MIBs sensitivity through the use of parallel reaction monitoring (PRM), a targeted proteomic approach.

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Chapter 1

Introduction: Proteomics methods for studying kinase signaling

Proteins drive the biochemical reactions necessary for producing life and provide the structure to support it. Regulation of protein function occurs in many forms, from the complex regulation of gene expression to interference in translation by non-coding RNA. Post-translational modifications (PTMs) of proteins offer a unique means of protein regulation. PTMs are the covalent addition of chemical moieties spanning in size from a few atoms to entire small proteins to residues of existing proteins. Through the addition of moieties as small as a single phosphate or methyl group, the function of a modified protein can be completely shifted. The addition of a PTM can drive the localization, activation, interactions or degradation of the substrate protein through only a small change in charge or mass. Unlike the regulation of gene expression, PTM mediated protein control is rapid, as the transfer of a PTM requires only a single chemical reaction. PTM are also regulatable, with classes of enzymes responsible for placing and removing modifications. Unbiased mass spectrometry based methods have been instrumental in uncovering both the breadth and complexity of PTMs across the entire proteome, with hundreds of thousands of sites of modification identified across the proteome(1). Thus, post-translational modifications are a powerful and ubiguitous means of regulating protein function within the cell. However, one of the largest challenges in biology is to understand the architecture of signaling networks comprised of these thousands of post-translational modifications and how they serve to relay signals.

Phosphorylation is the widest studied post-translational modification, in part because of the importance of protein kinases, the enzymes responsible for phosphorylation, in cancer. The

earliest identified oncogene was v-Src, a tyrosine kinase(2). Many of the most commonly observed and widest studied oncogenes are kinases, such as EGFR, BRAF, the HER family and Abl, or key mediators of kinase signaling, such as RAS(3). The discovery that abnormal kinase activity, i.e. abnormal phosphorylation, is transforming, along with the discovery that growth factor and hormone receptors were kinases, provided insight into the regulation of normal cellular processes. These insights spurred the development of a wide range of mass spectrometry based proteomic techniques for enriching, identifying and quantifying peptides (4), allowing large scale phosphoproteomics experiments to become fairly routine. While these experiments can produce broad outlines of kinase signaling networks, the exact connectivity of these networks remains to be determined.

In order to study kinase signaling networks, we can think of kinase signaling networks as comprised of three levels. First is the core function of a kinase, directly phosphorylating a set of protein targets, called substrates, which may include other kinases. Second is the broader set of downstream targets regulated by the kinase. Many kinases function in signaling cascades, so the initiating kinase regulates the activity of a number of substrate kinases and, in turn, their direct targets. Lastly, kinase signaling cascades, and the kinome as a whole, are integrated, with the activity of individual signaling arms influencing others, and providing high-level coordination of many individual signaling pathways and cellular responses to stimuli. Significant gaps in knowledge exist for each level of kinase signaling. To that end, this thesis focuses on the application and continued development of three chemical biology driven proteomics methods for deepening our understanding of kinase signaling network architecture on each of these three levels (Figure 1). Described within are projects utilizing an engineered kinase system to identify direct substrates of kinases, standard quantitative proteomics to understand resistance to targeted therapeutics in cancer, and a method to capture a snapshot of kinome activity, called multiplexed kinase inhibitor beads (MIBs).



Figure 1. Three approaches for mapping kinase signaling networks

The core catalytic function of a protein kinase is to phosphorylate a protein substrate. 518 kinases and hundreds of thousands of phosphosites have been identified(1, 5). However, there are few precise connections known between kinases and specific substrate sites, which would inform the function and role of the substrate phosphorylation and regulatory role of the kinase of interest (6). Thus, a variety of methods have been developed to link kinases to their direct substrates. In vitro kinase assays, in the form of individual assays, peptide arrays or protein arrays, demonstrate the ability of a kinase to directly phosphorylate a substrate, but are far removed from the context of a cellular environment(7, 8). Searching for kinase interacting proteins and confirming phosphorylation of these proteins has also served to identify substrates, but these approaches will miss transient kinase-substrate interactions, which is important as transient interactions are thought to be common for kinases and substrates(9). Large scale phosphoproteomic approaches, where kinase activity is disrupted by genetic or chemical means and changes in resulting phosphorylation are quantified by mass spectrometry after

phosphopeptide enrichment, are useful in identifying kinase – downstream target relationships, but do not establish direct kinase-substrate relationships(6).

To address this challenge, multiple techniques have been developed that allow for the direct detection of kinase substrate relationships. In an approach called KALIP, cell lysates are dephosphorylated, labeled by the addition of a kinase of interest and ATP and analyzed by quantitative phosphoproteomics. Thus any changes in phosphopeptide abundance can be directly attributed to the activity of the added kinase and substrates assigned to that kinase. however this method is experimentally intensive(10). Previous scientists in the Shokat lab developed an elegant approach to identify kinase substrates by mutating a kinase of interest to accept bulky ATPyS analogs, termed an analog specific kinase (AS-kinase). The direct interaction of the AS-kinase and substrate thereby results in a thiophosphorylation of the substrate, providing a reactive chemical handle for enriching and identifying the substrate and exact phosphosite(11). In this approach, a purified mutated kinase is added to a cell lysate with a bulky ATPyS analog and allowed to thiophosphorylate its substrates, followed by enrichment and LC-MS/MS based detection. Outside groups have taken steps to optimize this technique by using in cell labeling coupled with microscale enrichment of phosphopeptides, which yields impressive results but requires specialized equipment and significant technical skill(12). We find that the updated Shokat approach(13) is more than adequate for making significant strides to close the gap between kinase and known substrates, and has the added benefit of being an technique that can be performed in any lab without specialized equipment. Chapters 2 and 3 detail this use of the protocol for 3 different kinases of interest and highlight important biological findings from these results.

Quantitative phosphoproteomics has been a workhorse of kinase biology for the last 15 years. Identification and assignment of phosphorylation sites is made difficult by the low relative

stoichiometry of phosphorylation, so only a small fraction of a given protein in the cell will be phosphorylated at any time(14). Thus, enrichment methods such as immobilized metal affinity chromatography (IMAC) or immunoaffinity enrichment are used to isolate phosphorylated peptides from a digested cell lysate prior to LC-MS/MS identification of peptides(4, 15). These standard approaches are useful for identifying sites of phosphorylation, but do not provide any information about dynamics or relative abundance. Non-quantitative phosphoproteomics provides only nodes in, not connectivity of, kinase signaling networks. For many years, instability and variability between LC-MS/MS runs was relatively high, making direct comparisons of peptide abundance between samples difficult. The introduction of methods to provide relative quantitation of peptide abundance between samples, including stable isotope labeling in cell culture (SILAC)(16) and isotope tagging reagents like TMT and iTRAQ(17, 18), made a significant impact on the field. Quantitation allows for monitoring of changes in the abundance of phosphorylation driven by manipulation of kinase activity by treatment with kinase inhibitors or genetic means(19, 20). Broad sets of kinase targets can be determined from these experiments, which have become semi-ubiquitous in the study of kinases. The downside of quantitative proteomics is the vast quantity of data generated often far exceeds the ability of an experimentalist to confirm relationships and delve deeper into the biology of the signaling network. Bioinformatic methods to integrate data from multiple studies strive to make this abundance of data more interpretable and accessible(21). Quantitative phosphoproteomics will continue to be key to mapping kinase signaling networks, and be more informative when complemented with bioinformatics and new advances in studying kinome activity as a whole.

From the development of targeted kinase inhibitors for use in treating diseases such as cancer has emerged a number of new kinase signaling phenomena. The use of these drucs in the clinical setting has revealed both initial, primary resistance to targeted therapeutics and resistance developed over long exposure to drug. Although mutation of the target kinase to

escape inhibition is perhaps the most common means to develop resistance, bypass of inhibition through activation of alternate kinase pathways has also been observed(22). The outstanding question of how, why and which cancers may activate bypass pathways to evade an inhibitor has highlighted the importance of understanding the interconnectivity of kinases with themselves, or the "kinome". To that end, the same compounds that are designed with the hope of treating patients may be used to probe the activity of the kinome. Kinase inhibitors of broad specificity can be coupled to resin and used to enrich protein kinases from cell lysates, which can then be identified and quantified by LC-MS/MS(23-27). The original use of this technique was to identify off targets of kinase inhibitors. Cells treated with compound or DMSO were subject to kinase enrichment, with reduced enrichment of any kinase attributed to off target binding of the compound blocking the ability of the kinase to bind the resin(26). The technique was also used to identify changes in kinase abundance during the cell cycle(25). These early approaches required significant amounts of protein input, kinase inhibitor resins, and fractionation of purified kinases, making these methods both costly and time consuming. Recent approaches have reduced the input needed by utilizing newer, more sensitive instruments and broader classes of inhibitors as bait(28). Importantly for the mapping of kinase signaling networks, inhibitors for use on the resin may be specifically selected in order to enrich for active kinases(23, 29). Thus, the activity of the whole kinome can be monitored in different contexts. This is especially useful in the case of studying the kinome response to kinase targeted therapeutics, as kinase pathways activated to bypass inhibitors will be enriched on this activitybiased resin. The use of an activity-biased resin is one of the only ways to study the activation of kinases on a kinome wide scale in an unbiased fashion. We have used this technique to identify activation of bypass mechanisms in the case of resistance, and we continue the use of this approach to identify non-mutant kinase drivers of cancers.

By considering kinase signaling networks at the three levels of substrate, pathway and kinome, we can map kinase signaling networks with detailed connectivity. This thesis describes projects utilizing all three of these approaches to uncover novel, core functions of kinases and probe complex signaling networks dictating response to therapy in the context of cancer. The overlap of these three tools allows us an unparalleled ability to delve into the study of kinase signaling.

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Chapter 2

Identifying kinase substrates using the analog specific kinase and covalent capture approach: use on tyrosine kinases and collaborative projects

Introduction

Through the course of my PhD, I have worked on many projects using the analog-specific kinase approach for identification of kinase substrates. This chapter describes a number of successful collaborations with other labs using the technique, for which I did experimental work and provided technical expertise. The text is adapted from these collaborations, with appropriate reference to the published papers in the text and acknowledgements. In addition, a brief project applying the covalent capture approach to tyrosine kinases is described, as well as recommendations for improving the technique. Lastly, a number of false positive substrates commonly observed in the many substrate identification projects the lab has worked on are listed and discussed.

Identifying substrates of Tyrosine kinases

Engineering of the kinase ATP binding site has proven a useful tool for studying kinase biology. Mutation of a single residue at the entrance to the ATP binding site, termed the gatekeeper residue, to a smaller, less bulky residue expands the binding pocket, creating a synthetic hole. This expanded binding site will than accept non-native substrates, including bulky analogs of ATP which wild type kinases are unable to bind. These mutated kinases are referred to as Analog Specific (AS) (1, 2). Prior generations of students in the Shokat lab adapted this technique for use in identifying kinase substrates. A radiolabeled $ATP\gamma^{32}P$ analog was originally used to trace AS kinase activity (1, 3). Later, a biorthogonal affinity purification approach was developed, using bulky ATP γ S analogs, a thiophosphate esterification reaction to tag sites of thiophosphorylation and an immunoaffinity purification of tagged substrates(4, 5). However, the use of a iodoacetyl resin to covalently capture thiophosphorylated peptides produced by incubation of a AS kinase, an ATP γ S analog and protein lysate has proved most efficient at identifying substrates and specific sites of phosphorylation derived from the kinase of interest(6).

While initial experiments demonstrating the concept of gatekeeper mutation for the generation of an AS kinase were done in a tyrosine kinase(1, 2), no tyrosine kinase substrate identification projects had been undertaken with the modern, covalent capture approach. Serine/threonine kinases had been well studied with the approach, and continue to be well studied as described in this chapter and Chapter 3. Upon entering the lab, I sought to identify substrates of the Src tyrosine kinase using this approach as a proof of concept. We focused our initial efforts on identifying Src substrates in brain lysates using exogenously expressed kinase. The kinase domain of AS (T338A) and wild type (WT) Src was expressed and purified from bacteria. Src was then incubated with brain lysate to label substrates by kinase reaction in the presence of N⁶ modified ATPyS analogs. While the vast majority of kinases cannot use these ATPyS analogs, some highly active and abundant kinases will use the ATPyS analogs to phosphorylate substrates. Therefore we utilized several important controls to help us identify true substrates. We used Src WT, which cannot utilize the ATPyS, Kinase Dead AS-Src (KD-AS) and lysate alone as negative controls and the T338A Src as our experimental group to label the substrates. We optimized the labeling of lysates using AS-Src, with a distinct increase in thiophosphorylation in only samples labeled with AS kinase (Figure 1A). In addition we have shown that AS-Src selectively thiophosphorylates a known substrate, FAK, by immunoprecipitation and western blot (data not shown). By covalent capture and mass spectrometry, we have successfully identified the autophosphorylation of AS-Src (Figure 1B).

However, by LC-MS/MS we were only able to identify a few sites of pTyr phosphorylation unique to AS-Src labeled samples (data not shown). We feel these numbers can be significantly improved, epically in comparison compared to the number of putative substrates normally identified for a serine/threonine kinase.



Figure 1. AS-Src can label substrates and autophosphorylate **A**. Labeling of mouse brain lysates with no, wild type, kinase dead and AS Src. **B**. Spetrum of peptide containing Src autophosphorylation identified by covalent capture

Identification of substrates of Tyr kinases may face challenges due to the unique nature of tyrosine phosphorylation. While phosphorylation occurs ubiquitously across the proteome, it is thought that tyrosine phosphorylation accounts for a minority of total phosphorylations and is significantly more dynamic than S/T phosphorylation. These traits have necessitated the development of specific pTyr enrichment protocols(7), as the abundance of pTyr is too low to be identified normal phosphopeptide enrichment protocols in the context of normal, significantly more abundant S/T phosphorylation. Given these known difficulties in identifying pTyr, we anticipated adjustments to the covalent capture technique would be needed to identify pTyr peptides. In order to apply the covalent capture approach to Tyr kinases, it may be necessary to incorporate additional steps of pTyr enrichment following release of phosphopepties from the iodoacetyl resin, to increase signal from pTyr peptides over background peptides. Alternatively, a thiophosphorylated tyrosine specific antibody could be developed and used to identify sites of

thiophosphorylated tyrosine, which pTyr antibodies do not recognize. Given the success of immunoprecipitation for identifying pTyr sites, this approach may indeed be worth the effort.

Identification of AMPK phosphorylation sites reveals a network of proteins involved in cell invasion and facilitates large-scale substrate prediction

In general, AS kinase substrate identification is performed by purifying the kinase domain of the protein of interest and then labeling a cell lysate by adding the purified kinase and appropriate ATP analog. This approach has several drawbacks. The use of a truncated kinase increases the ease of purification, however domains which may dictate substrate interaction are removed. Secondly, by performing the labeling in a lysate environment removes localization of substrates or off targets to specific organelles or membrane surfaces, perhaps preventing interactions between the kinase and substrate proteins which are driven by co-localization within the cell. To address these concerns our collaborators in the Brunet lab at Stanford drove the development of an *in vivo* system for identifying AMPK substrates(8) by stably overexpressing full length WT and AS AMPKa2 in HEK 293Ts. In the original publication, the authors utilized the thiophosphate ester immunoprecipitation approach and only 28 candidate substrates were identified. Given the limited number of substrates identified, together we embarked on improving the *in vivo* identification technique. The following descriptions of this work are adapted from a recent publication describing the project(9).

The Brunet lab optimized an inducible over-expression system of AMPKα1 and α2 WT and AS in U2OS cells (Figure 2A). Our collaborators identified the optimal stable over expression constructs, as well as conditions to stimulate AMPK activity by treatment with 2-deoxy-D-glucose or the specific AMPK activator A769662. One major challenge in utilizing the covalent capture system in cells is the impermeability of ATPγS analogs across the cell membrane. Thus, significant time was invested in optimizing permeabilization of the U2OS cells with

digitonin to allow ATPγS to enter the cells. By western blot, thiophosphorylation of cell lysates was observed at a much higher abundance in cells overexpressing AS AMPK, with an increase in labeling in the presence of activators (Figure 2B, C). Once these conditions were optimized, we performed covalent capture on labeled cell lysates for a variety of conditions (Figure 2D) totaling over 20 datasets collected, the largest dataset for substrate identification collected by this lab to date. This represents months of troubleshooting, bench work and weeks of instrument time invested by our lab, in addition to the extensive work by our collaborators in establishing the system. A number of known substrates were identified in this screen (Figure 2E) proving the validity of the approach.



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Summary of mass spectrometry datasets

Cell type	AMPK stimuli	AS datasets	Control #	AS dataset generated
293T	100 mM 2DG (-) serum	AS-AMPKα2 + β1 + γ1	β1 + γ1 only; WT-AMPKa2 + β1 + γ1	2
U2OS	100 mM 2DG (-) serum	AS-AMPKa1 AS-AMPKa2	Empty WT-AMPKa1 WT-AMPKa2	12
	50 mM 2DG	AS-AMPKa1 AS-AMPKa2	Empty WT-AMPKa1 WT-AMPKa2	2
	300 μM A769662	AS-AMPKa1 AS-AMPKa2	Empty WT-AMPKa1 WT-AMPKa2	6

Known AMPK substrates identified in screen

Protein	Phosphosite	ld Phosphopeptide	entified in "x" datasets
ACC1	S80	SSM <u>S</u> GLHLVK	4
RAPTOR	S721IS722	<u>SVSS</u> YGNIR	4
TBC1D1	S325IS237	<u>S</u> FSQPGLR	5
BAIAP2	S364IS365IS366	SSS MAAGLER	5
KLC2	S545	SG <u>S</u> FGKLR	4

Figure 2.Identification of AS-AMPK substrates (A) Schematic of the peptide-capture technique used to identify analog-specific (AS) AMPK α 1 and α 2 substrates and phosphorylation sites in whole cells. 2DG, 2-deoxy-D-glucose. (B) HA-tagged AS-AMPK α 1 and α 2 thiophosphorylate endogenous substrates in U2OS cells without overexpression of the β and γ subunits. Cells were serum-starved for 2 hr and stimulated for 5 min with 100 mM 2DG, then incubated with ATP γ S. Whole-cell lysates were analyzed for the presence of thiophosphorylation (thioP) and exogenous AMPK subunits (HA tag). (C) HA-tagged AS-AMPK α 1 and α 2 thiophosphorylate endogenous substrates under different AMPK-activating conditions. Whole-cell lysates were analyzed for the presence of thiophosphorylate endogenous substrates under different AMPK-activating conditions. Whole-cell lysates were analyzed for the presence of thiophosphorylate endogenous substrates under different AMPK-activating conditions. Whole-cell lysates were analyzed for the presence of thiophosphorylation (thioP) and AMPK α 2). First panel: 2 hr of serum starvation with 5 min of 100 mM 2DG; second panel: 15 min of 50 mM 2DG; third panel: 30 min of 300 μ M A769662. Representative of 6, 1, and 3 independent experiments for 2DG (–) serum, 2DG, and A769662, respectively. Empty, empty vector; α 1WT, WT-AMPK α 1; α 1AS, AS-AMPK α 1; α 2WT, WT-AMPK α 2; α 2AS, AS-AMPK α 2. (D) Summary of mass spectrometry datasets. AMPK-activating conditions as in Figure 2C. (E) Known AMPK substrates identified in multiple AS-AMPK datasets.

A vast quantity of data was identified in these substrate identification LC-MS/MS runs. As with the previously published attempts at in vivo substrate identification, few substrates were identified in any individual sample. However, the size of the dataset collected allowed for unique analysis by a stringent pipeline developed by our collaborators after discussion of the best way to sort the data. Phosphopeptides that were found in experimental datasets, but never in control datasets, were considered candidate substrates according to the logic outlined in Figure 3. In order to categorize substrates, the number of identifications of a particular phosphosite was used to categorize the strength of any candidate substrate, with identification in multiple samples representing high confidence. The motifs surrounding phosphorylation sites on phosphopeptides seen in 3 or more of the 22 experimental datasets (Group A) strongly adhered to the known AMPK motif(10) (Figure 3B), while those seen less frequently adhered less well to the AMPK motif (Figure 3C, D). In addition, many known AMPK substrates were identified in Group A. Thus, there is high confidence that the 21 previously unknown substrates identified in Group A are AMPK targets. While the general filtering approach used by this lab is appropriate for most datasets, the approach generated by Schaffer et al may be of particular use to those interested in using the AS kinase technique with large datasets.



Figure 3 Grouping of AMPK substrates by relative strength (A) Schematic of the pipeline used to identify AS-AMPK substrates in LC-MS/MS datasets. Phosphopeptides only found in AS-AMPK datasets were classified as Group A, B, or C based on the number of biological samples in which they were identified. α 1WT, α 2WT, α 1AS, α 2AS: WT or AS-AMPK α 1 or α 2.(B–D) Logo motif of the most common phosphorylation sites on each phosphopeptide from Group A (B), Group B (C), and Group C (D). The established in vitro AMPK phosphorylation motif displayed below Group A generated in that study using a positional scanning peptide library (10). Green, hydrophobic residues; red, basic; yellow, acidic; blue, neutral polar.

Substrates identified by LC-MS/MS were extensively validated by further thiophosphorylation experiments. Through the use of GO term enrichment, AMPK substrates were shown to be enriched for roles in cell motility, adhesion and invasion. These conclusions were further supported by experiments demonstrating the role of AMPK driven phosphorylation of novel substrate NET1a in inhibiting extracellular matrix degradation. Furthermore, the identification of substrates enabled a large scale prediction of AMPK substrates, when combined with existing quantitative phosphoproteomic datasets, a novel use of substrate lists generated by the AS kinase covalent capture approach.

P-TEFb regulation of transcription termination factor Xrn2 revealed by a chemical genetic screen for Cdk9 substrates

Cyclin dependent kinases (CDKs) regulate gene expression through phosphorylation of the Cterminal domain of Rbp1, the largest subunit of RNA polymerase II (Pol II). Phosphorylation of heptad repeats of the sequence YSPTSPS drives the recruitment of factors and enzymes involved in RNA processing and maturation(11). Cdk7 and Cdk9 are the primary CDKs associated with regulation of gene transcription, unlike the many CDKs involved in cell cycle regulation. Cdk9, the catalytic subunit of positive transcription elongation factor b (P-TEFb), is thought to aid in overcoming promoter proximal Pol II pausing through phosphorylation of Pol II, DSIF and NELF, but the precise mechanism and staging remain undetermined(12). Thus, the exact targets and mechanisms through which P-TEFb regulated gene expression are largely undefined. In collaboration with the Fisher lab at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, we undertook a systematic identification of human Cdk9 substrates using the AS kinase system(13).

Cdk9 was co-purified with cyclin T1 to ensure constitutive activity in vitro. Mutation of Phe103 to

Gly allowed for the selective use of N6-modified ATPyS in vitro, unlike the wild type protein. This AS-Cdk9 construct was then used to label lysates from HCT116 cells, yielding clear labeling above background by AS-Cdk9 but not WT-Cdk9 or no kinase conditions, indicating thiophosphorylation of substrate proteins (Figure 4B). The remainder of these labeled lysates were digested, captured on iodoacetyl resin, released and analyzed by LC-MS/MS according to the normal laboratory protocol (described extensively in Chapter 3 and reference (13)) This data was analyzed by an in house R-script which filtered phosphopeptides exclusive to AS labeled samples and to exclude common contaminants based on a combined set of available experimental data from multiple AS kinase substrates (described in the next section). This yielded a total of 295 peptides phosphorylated by AS-Cdk9, derived from 172 proteins. Similar to the previously derived phosphorylation motifs for Cdk9, we observed the majority of phosphorylations to occur on S/T residues with P in the +1 position (Figure 4C). For high confidence substrates which fit the S/T-P motif, we grouped targets on the basis of function (Figure 4D). Transcription and RNA metabolism and splicing accounted for ~50% of the substrates, including known targets Spt5, BRD4 and AFF1. Certain known targets like Rpb1 were not identified in the dataset, possibly due to the lack of tryptic cleavage sites within the Cterminal domain that Cdk9 phosphorylates.



Figure 4. Identification of P-TEFb substrates. (A) Schematic diagram of AS labeling and substrate identification protocol. (B) Detection of substrates thiophosphorylated by Cdk9. (Lanes 1,2) Lysates of HCT116 cells were incubated in duplicate with Cdk9WT/cyclin T1, Cdk9as/cyclin T1, or no added kinase, as indicated, in the presence of N6-(phenethyl)-ATPγS. After alkylation with PNBM, samples were analyzed by immunoblotting for thiophosphate esters (ThioP) and Cdk9, as indicated. (C) Cdk9 consensus recognition sequence derived from phosphopeptides recovered at least twice in samples incubated with Cdk9as. (D) Selected gene ontology (GO) terms for Cdk9 substrates. Proteins phosphorylated at S/T-P sites were grouped on the basis of function.

Cdk9 modified proteins implicated in RNA 5' end processing splicing and transcription. Among these was Xrn2, the nuclear 5'-to-3' exoribonuclease required for Pol II termination(14). Using an antibody generated for the phosphorylated residue Thr439, Cdk9 phosphorylation of Xrn2 was validated in vivo. Phosphorylation of Xrn2 was observed mainly when Xrn2 is bound to chromatin, suggesting a co-transcriptional function and possible regulation of that function by Cdk9. Phosphorylation of Thr439 enhanced the exoribonuclease activity of Xrn2 toward synthetic substrates in vitro. Inhibition or depletion of Cdk9 resulted in phenotypes consistent with inefficient termination in human cells, such as impaired Xrn2 chromatin localization and increased read through transcription of endogenous genes. Thus, in addition to the elongation promoting function of P-TEFb by phosphorylation of Pol II, P-TEFb can directly regulate co-transcriptional events such as termination by phosphorylating components of the relevant RNA processing machineries, including Xrn2. Discovery of this new role of P-TEFb was driven by the unbiased and systematic identification of Cdk9 substrates.

Common contaminants in covalent capture experiments and thoughts on the continued development of the covalent capture approach

During my time in the Shokat lab, the lab used the AS kinase and covalent capture methodology on at least 7 kinases, likely more, with only a small portion of that data reaching publication at the time this thesis was written. From these experiences, the lab has a significant, empirical knowledge about the quality of data produced from any experiment. In some experiments, very high numbers of phosphopeptides are identified. Thus, it is useful to develop means of ranking

substrates of interest, as discussed above for AMPK(9), Cdk9(13) and in Lipp et al(15). Over all of these experiments and despite extensive negative controls, we have noticed there are a number of phosphoproteins that are observed frequently in many datasets. Postdoc Dr. Jesse Lipp devised and in-house R script to cull common contaminants from a database of substrate identification experiments for at least 5 kinases for both human and mouse. These common contaminants or false positives are listed in Figure 5 for human and mouse. We can only theorize on why these proteins occur, perhaps we can consider them "promiscuous substrates". In general, we recommend against investing significant time and energy in following up substrates on this list, and focusing on phosphoproteins unique to one's own dataset. Should an AS kinase substrate identification experiment yield candidate substrate lists of very few phosphoproteins or predominantly phosphoproteins from these lists, we strongly suggest repeating the experiment. To that extent, previously published work(16), as well as work we have done with collaborators (unpublished), indicates that coupling a phosphopeptide enrichment step following elution from the iodoacetyl resin greatly increases identifications. I recommend the next generations of students establish protocols for phosphopeptide enrichment following covalent capture. During my tenure, I made multiple attempts to couple TiOx tip-based phosphopeptide enrichment with limited success. Recent and significant advancements in tipbased phosphopeptide enrichment will likely be better suited for coupling to covalent capture.

	Hu	uman			N	louse	
Gene	Accesion	Gene	Accesion	Gene	Accesion	Gene	Accesion
AHNAK	Q09666	MOBKL1A	Q7L9L4	Арс	Q61315	Map2	P20357
ALS2CR8	Q8N187	MUC5AC	P98088	Arhgef2	Q60875	Mapt	P10637
ARHGEF16	Q5VV41	NADKD1	Q4G0N4	Bcas1	Q80YN3	Marcks	P26645
BAIAP2L2	Q6UXY1	NAGK	Q9UJ70	Camk2a	P11798	Marcksl1	P28667
BANF1	O75531	NUCKS1	Q9H1E3	Camk2b	P28652	Mbp	P04370
C20orf4	Q9Y312	PDHA1	P08559	Caskin1	Q6P9K8	Mtm1	Q9Z2C5
C2orf16	Q68DN1	PDHA1	P08559	Cep170	Q6A065	Mtss1I	Q6P9S0
CANX	P27824	PDIA6	Q15084	Ctnnd2	O35927	Nagk	Q9QZ08
CCDC94	Q9BW85	PFN1	P07737	Dbnl	Q62418	Nav1	Q8CH77
CTNNA1	P35221	PKM2	P14618	Dclk1	Q9JLM8	Nelf	Q99NF2
EEF1A1	P68104	PLIN4	Q96Q06	Dclk2	Q6PGN3	Nucks1	Q80XU3
EEF1B2	P24534	PPP1R12A	O14974	Ddx3x	Q62167	Pclo	Q9QYX7
EEF2	P13639	RAPH1	Q70E73	Dlgap2	Q8BJ42	Pdap1	Q3UHX2
ENSA	O43768	RBM14	Q96PK6	Dmxl2	Q8BPN8	Pde4a	O89084
ERC1	Q8IUD2	RPL23A	P62750	Dos	Q66L44	Pgrmc1	O55022
FBXO24	075426	RPLP2	P05387	Dpysl2	O08553	Pkm2	P52480
GLT6D1	Q7Z4J2	RRM2	P31350	Elfn2	Q68FM6	Ppp2r5c	Q60996
HIST1H2BK	O60814	SAMHD1	Q9Y3Z3	Exoc8	Q6PGF7	Psd2	Q6P1I6
HSP90AB1	P08238	SCAF11	Q99590	Fam160a2	Q3U2I3	Purb	O35295
HSP90B1	P14625	SRRM1	Q8IYB3	Frmd4a	Q8BIE6	Rapgef2	Q8CHG7
HSPB1	P04792	SSB	P05455	Gap43	P06837	Rbm14	Q8C2Q3
KIAA0802	Q9Y4B5	SURF2	Q15527	Grin2b	Q01097	Reep1	Q8BGH4
KIAA2012	Q0VF49	TNRC6A	Q8NDV7	H1foo	Q8VIK3	Reep2	Q8VCD6
LMNA	P02545	TXN	P10599	Hsp90ab1	P11499	Shank2	Q80Z38
LMNB1	P20700	UPF3B	Q9BZI7	Hsp90b1	P08113	Shisa6	Q3UH99
LMNB2	Q03252	VSTM2L	Q96N03	Hspa8	P63017	Slc12a5	Q91V14
LRIG1	Q96JA1	WDR43	Q15061	Htatsf1	Q8BGC0	Sncb	Q91ZZ3
MAPKAPK2	P49137	ZFHX4	Q86UP3	lqsec1	Q8R0S2	Srcin1	Q9QWI6
MARCKS	P29966	ZNF763	Q0D2J5	Kiaa0100	Q5SYL3	Stx1a	O35526
MARCKSL1	P49006			Kiaa0196	Q8C2E7	Stx1b	P61264
				Kiaa0284	Q80U49	Syn1	O88935
				Klc2	O88448	Tceal3	Q8R0A5
				Ksr1	Q61097	Ttn	A2ASS6
				Macf1	Q9QXZ0	Tuba1a	P68369
				Map1b	P14873	Wdr60	Q8C761

Figure 5. Common contaminant phosphoproteins found in Human and Mouse datasets. Observed sites of phosphorylation vary from experiment to experiment, but the protein in some phosphorylated form is found across many samples.

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Chapter 3

The innate immunity kinase TAK1 phosphorylates Rab1 on a hotspot for post-

translational modifications by host and pathogen

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Abstract

TGF-β Activated Kinase 1 (TAK1) is a critical signaling hub responsible for translating antigen binding signals to immune receptors for the activation of the AP-1 and NF-κB master transcriptional programs. Despite its importance, known substrates of TAK1 are limited to kinases of the MAPK and IKK families and include no direct effectors of biochemical processes. Here, we identify over 200 novel substrates of TAK1 using a chemical genetic kinase strategy. We validate phosphorylation of the dynamic switch II region of GTPase Rab1 at T75 to be regulated by TAK1 in vivo. TAK1 preferentially phosphorylates the inactive (GDP-bound) state of Rab1. Phosphorylation of Rab1 disrupts interaction with GDP Dissociation Inhibitor 1 (GDI1), but not GEF or GAP enzymes, and is exclusive to membrane localized Rab1, suggesting phosphorylation of Rab1 at T75 to be necessary for normal Rab1 mediated ER to Golgi vesicular transport. Previous studies established that the pathogen *Legionella pneumophila* is capable of hijacking Rab1 function through post-translational modifications of the switch II region. Here, we present the first evidence that Rab1 is regulated by the host in a similar

fashion; and that the innate immunity kinase TAK1 and *Legionella* effectors compete directly to regulate Rab1 by switch II modifications during infection.

Significance Statement

Rab GTPases regulate vesicle traffic within the cell by switching between active (GTP-bound) and inactive (GDP-bound) states. The switch II region of Rab proteins undergoes a significant conformational change in order to switch between states. Rab1 is hijacked during intracellular *Legionella pneumophila* infection by bacterial effector mediated post-translational modifications of the switch II region, a unique mechanism for regulation of Rab function. We present new evidence that Rab1 is endogenously modified within switch II by TAK1, a kinase crucial for responding to infection. Phosphorylation of Rab1 is necessary for normal Rab1 function in ER to Golgi vesicle transport. Interestingly, phosphorylation of Rab1 is competed during *Legionella* infection, adding to evidence that *Legionella* target substrates of the innate immunity kinase TAK1.

Introduction

Cellular response to microbial infection is a complex, coordinated process that is initiated by innate immune receptors at the cell surface in response to cytokines or pathogen associated molecular patterns (PAMPs). Pattern recognition receptors (PRRs) trigger cellular response cascades culminating in activation of two master transcriptional programs, AP-1 and NF- κ B, which drive cytokine production and recruitment of immune cells. In particular, Toll like receptor (TLR) signaling cascades require the intricate orchestration of activation of downstream pathway components through formation of diverse complexes and intensive reliance on post-translational modifications for regulation. Ultimately, these pathways converge on the activation of an essential kinase, TGF- β activated kinase 1 (TAK1), which is responsible for translating receptor activation for the activation of these master transcriptional programs(1).
In the early phase following activation of receptors such as TLR2 or 4, an unusual nondegradative ubiquitin scaffold is assembled, leading to the activation of TAK1, also known as MAP3K7. Once activated, TAK1 serves two roles. First, TAK1 acts as a canonical MAPKKK by phosphorylating the MAPKKs MKK4/7 and MKK3/6. These MKKs phosphorylate and activate p38 and JNK, respectively, initiating AP-1-mediated transcription. Second, TAK1 provides a priming phosphorylation to IKK β , which co-localizes with TAK1 to M1-poly-Ub chains generated by TRAF6 upon TLR activation(2, 3). Activation of IKK β leads to the activation IKK α , degradation of IkB α , and lastly activation of NF- κ B driven transcription. The known direct substrates of TAK1 are limited to these protein kinases, TAB1 and an additional protein kinase AMPK(4, 5). TAK1 is primarily viewed as an initiator of kinase signaling cascades that lead to transcription factor activation.

Kinases often serve as signaling relays, transferring phosphorylation down a cascade of kinases, but also commonly function as direct effectors of biochemical processes via phosphorylation of enzymes from many classes. Given the importance of TAK1 as the terminal output of PRR activation, we wondered if TAK1 might possess direct substrates beyond the three characterized classes of downstream kinases. Only one study has characterized a small number of downstream targets of TAK1 using quantitative phosphoproteomics. While no direct TAK1-substrate relationships were established, GO term enrichment of TAK1-regulated phosphoproteins suggested involvement in GTPase regulation and membrane organization(6). Other studies have suggested a role for TAK1 in directly regulating protein degradation to prevent accumulation of reactive oxygen species(7). Thus, we turned to the analog specific kinase covalent capture methodology(8, 9) to identify direct TAK1 substrates *in vitro*. Through this method, we identified hundreds of candidate substrates.

We decided to focus, in particular, on a novel phosphorylation site within a dynamic region of small Ras-like GTPase Rab1. Rab proteins are the largest family of small Ras-like GTPases and serve to regulate many steps of membrane trafficking. They act as molecular switches, cycling through active, GTP-bound and inactive, GDP-bound states. Two regions of the GTPases, termed switch I and switch II, undergo significant conformational shifts between these states, altering the ability of the protein to bind interactors. Rab nucleotide state, and therefore signaling, is tightly regulated by Guanine Exchange Factors (GEFs) and GTPase-Activating Proteins (GAPs). By binding Rab proteins in the cytoplasm, GDP Dissociation Inhibitors (GDIs) sequester inactive Rab proteins to further control Rab activation. While the C-terminal tails of Rab proteins are geranylgeranylated to mediate insertion into membranes, there are few examples of regulation of Rab proteins, or small GTPases in general, by post-translational modification of the core GTPase domain. Although phosphorylation of Rab proteins, and other Ras-like GTPases, has been previously observed on the C-terminal tail and other outlying regions, there is little consensus on the regulatory effect of these phosphorylations (10-13). The strongest examples of small GTPase regulation by post-translational modification are when the core GTPase domain is modified, rather than tails. Such modifications are almost exclusively the result of infection by pathogens, such as phosphorylation of switch I of immunityrelated GTPases (IRGs) by a secreted Toxoplasma gondii kinase in mice (14) or AMPylation and phosphocholination of the switch region of Rab1 by Legionella pneumophila (15, 16).

Here, we demonstrate that TAK1 phosphorylation of Rab1 within the dynamic switch II region is key to Rab1 signaling. Phosphorylation of Rab1 is necessary for normal Rab1-mediated ER to Golgi vesicle transport, and disrupts interaction with GDP Dissociation Inhibitor 1 (GDI1), allowing for activation of Rab1. More interestingly, TAK1 mediated phosphorylation of Rab1 is competed by *Legionella pneumophila* during intracellular infection. We believe Rab1 is a newly

recognized hotspot for regulation via post-translational modifications, both by a bacterial pathogen, and now by TAK1, a host kinase responsible for responding to infection.

Results

Identification and Validation of Novel TAK1 substrates

We first sought to identify direct substrates of TAK1 using a chemical genetic, analog specific kinase approach (Figure 1A)(8, 9). Mutation of a single bulky residue within the active site of a kinase, termed the active site gatekeeper residue, to alanine or glycine expands the native ATP binding pocket. This mutation allows the kinase to accept a N⁶ substituted ATPγS analogs, bulky variants of ATP which fit in the newly expanded active site but not the active sites of wildtype kinases, creating an Analog-Specific (AS) kinase. The AS-kinase transfers the ythiophosphate of the ATP analog to its substrates. This thiophosphorylation acts as a uniquely reactive chemical handle that can be alkylated for detection of substrates by western blotting or used to affinity purify and identify substrate proteins by LC-MS/MS. We generated a constitutively active form of TAK1 by expressing and purifying from insect cells a fused TAK1 construct containing the kinase domain of TAK1 fused to the TAK1-activating domain of binding partner TAB1 (Figure 2A)(17). We will refer to this fusion construct as TAK1^f, with WT indicating no mutations to the gatekeeper residue. Analog-specific TAK1^f (AS-TAK1^f) was generated by mutation of gatekeeper methionine 81 to alanine. We tested the specificity and preference of AS-TAK1^f for N⁶ substituted ATPyS analogs through an *in vitro* kinase assay using myelin basic protein (MBP) as a generic substrate (Figure 2B). AS-TAK1^f utilized both ATPyS and N⁶-furfuryl-ATPyS efficiently for autophosphorylation and transphosphorylation of MBP. In contrast, WT- TAK1^f was largely incapable of using any bulky ATP analogs. N⁶-furfuryl-ATPyS was used for lysate labeling experiments to ensure any detected thiophosphorylation was the result of AS- TAK1^f activity.

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Cell Line	Phosphoproteins	Phosphopeptides	phosphosites ID'ed in ≥2 samples
CaCo2	131	195	69
SW620	97	142	60
DU145	98	163	61
PC3	86	130	45
Total Unique	269	424	169

Figure 1. Schematic of analog specific substrate capture and identification of TAK1 substrates. (**A**) Schematic of lysate labeling with AS-TAK1 versus WT-TAK1. Kinase is spiked into cell lysates with a bulky ATP analog, here N⁶ furfuryl ATPγS, which selectively thiophosphorylates substrates. Thiophosphorylated proteins can be detected two ways: by western after alkylation to form a thiophosphate ester, or by digestion and capture on a thiol-reactive iodoacetyl resin, release and analysis by LC-MS/MS. (**B**) Numbers of unique phosphoproteins and phosphopeptides identified in each cell line and in total.

We next sought to identify proteins selectively thiophosphorylated by AS TAK1^f in lysates from 4 cell lines from 2 cancer types, colorectal (CaCo2, SW620) and pancreatic (PC3, DU145). These cell lines were selected because TAK1 has been shown to be particularly important in colorectal and prostate cancers(18, 19). Lysates were individually labeled by spiking in N⁶-furfuryl-ATPγS and purified AS-TAK1^f, WT-TAK1^f or with no added kinase. A portion of each sample was analyzed by western blot, where an obvious increase in thiophosphorylation is observed

exclusively in the AS labeled colorectal cell line samples, the contrast between AS and WT or no kinase conditions is less obvious in the pancreatic cell lines, as these cell lines displayed much higher background thiophosphorylation (Figure 2C, Figure 1B). We attribute this difference, in part, to variability between cell lines in the background proteome activity toward the ATPγS analog. The remainder of the thiophosphorylated lysates were digested, thiophosphorylated peptides covalently captured, converted to phosphorylated peptides upon elution from resin and analyzed by mass spectrometry. Despite differences in levels of thiophosphorylation by western blot, many more phosphopeptides were identified in all AS-TAK1^f labeled samples versus controls. (data not shown). Thus, although western detection of thiophosphorylation is a useful tool, it is limited in comparison to mass spectrometry results as observed in this study and others (20).



Figure 2. Characterization of AS-TAK1^f and identification of TAK1 substrates. (**A**) Schematic of full length TAK1, TAB1 and constituently active fusion constructs of WT-TAK1^f and AS-TAK1^f used for protein purification. (**B**) *In vitro* kinase assay with TAK1^f, MBP and bulky N⁶ substituted ATPγS analogs (A – ATPγS, FF – N⁶ furfuryl, Bn – N⁶ benzyl, PE – N⁶ phenethyl). Thiophosporylation was evaluated by western blot. (**C**) Lysate from SW620, CaCo2, PC3 and Du145 cells were labeled with no kinase (-), His-tagged WT-TAK1^f (WT), or His-tagged AS-TAK1^f (AS) in biological duplicate. (**D**) Venn diagrams of phosphoproteins identified in 4 cell cancer lines, colorectal (SW620, CaCo2), pancreatic (DU145, PC3) (**E**) Phosphosites exclusive to and identified in all 8 individual AS-TAK1^f labeled samples. (**F**) TAK1 consensus motif derived from all phosphopeptides identified in ≥ 2 samples

The data were filtered by cell type to exclude background phosphopeptides from the WT-TAK1[†] and no kinase conditions(21), leaving phosphopeptides exclusive to AS-TAK1^f. In total, 269 phosphoproteins yielding 424 phosphopeptides were identified as candidate TAK1 substrates (Figure 1B). A list of all candidate substrate phosphopeptides identified is available in Appendix 1. The difference in peptide versus protein number is a result of the identification of multiple phosphopeptides per protein and, in some cases, a single peptide identified multiple times with differing sites of phosphorylation. While all cell lines shared a set of 20 substrate proteins, generally substrates were shared more frequently between cell lines of the same origin, with many substrates uniquely identified in a single cell line (Figure 2D). Although the stochastic nature of shotgun LC-MS/MS identification may explain some of the lack of overlap, we believe the method of capture utilized is able to identify cell-type specific substrates. Conservation of a substrate across cell types may be indicative of a central, conserved function, and therefore a useful means to triage substrates for further study. Fourteen phosphopeptides were identified in all AS-TAK1^f samples analyzed (Figure 2E). To further analyze the substrate preferences of TAK1, we generated a TAK1 consensus sequence from phosphopeptides identified in at least 2 samples (Figure 2F)(22). We observed a strong preference for phosphorylation of threonine, with some preference for aliphatic -1 and +1 residues.

To corroborate our MS results, a subset of substrates identified by mass spectrometry were selected for further validation. We assessed the ability of TAK1 to phosphorylate substrates

overexpressed with N-terminal Flag or GST tags and immunoprecipitated from HEK-293Ts by *in vitro* radioactive kinase assay with WT-TAK1^f. As a positive control, we sought to confirm that our WT-TAK1^f would strongly phosphorylate a known substrate, MKK6. MKK6 was not identified by MS due to the presence of cysteine in tryptic MKK6 peptides containing TAK1 phosphorylation sites, as Cys-containing peptides are permanently retained on the capture resin(9). TAK1 strongly phosphorylated kinase-dead MKK6 as shown by the incorporation of ³²P in the WT-TAK1^f labeled sample (Figure 3A). Of the 8 candidate substrates tested, only PSMC4 was not strongly phosphorylated by WT-TAK1^f. The remaining 7 substrates were strongly phosphorylated by TAK1 (Figure 3A, B, C). Interestingly, WT-TAK1^f was clearly able to phosphorylate more than the single identified site on three substrates, Vinexin, EIF4B, EIF3I, as shown by incorporation of ³²P into the non-phosphorylatable T to A mutants (Figure 3B). It is possible additional phosphosites in these proteins are within regions not amenable for detection by trypsin-based LC-MS/MS and were therefore not detected. Given the high rate of substrate validation, we have high confidence in the validity of the candidate substrates identified by mass spectrometry.



Figure 3. Validation of TAK1 substrates *in vitro* and *in vivo*. (**A**, **B**, **C**) In vitro radioactive kinase assays with GST- or Flag-tagged TAK1 substrates. Substrates immunoprecipitated from HEK-293Ts were incubated with purified WT-TAK1^f (300nM) and γ^{32} P-ATP, run on a gel and imaged by autoradiography (AR). Aliquots removed prior to γ^{32} P-ATP addition were used to assess loading by western blot (WB). MKK6 (kinase dead) is a known substrate and positive control. (**D**) HEK-293s stably expressing Flag-Rab1 were transfected with either empty vector(EV) or full length V5-TAK1 and Myc-TAB1 were analyzed by western for pT75 Rab1. One condition was dosed with 2.5µM TAK1 inhibitor 5z-7-oxozeaenol for 1 hour.

TAK1 selectively phosphorylated GDP-bound Rab1

Rab1 was the sole protein tested that was phosphorylated by WT-TAK1^f at a single site, T75,

within its switch II region, in all 4 cell lines (Figure 3C). Switch II is a conserved region within the

catalytic domain of GTPases that undergoes a conformational shift between the active (GTP-

bound) and inactive (GDP-bound) states(23) and is not a common site of post-translational modification. This selective phosphorylation motivated us to carry out *in vivo* validation with a polyclonal antibody raised against pT75 Rab1. In HEK-293 cells stably expressing Flag-Rab1, overexpression of full length V5-TAK1 and activating partner Myc-TAB1(24) led to increased phosphorylation of Rab1 T75. Addition of a TAK1-selective inhibitor, 5z-7-oxozeaenol(25), eliminated phosphorylation of Rab1 (Figure 3D). The increased abundance of pT75 Rab1 following TAK1 overexpression and loss of phosphorylation upon inhibition of TAK1 was also observed by LC-MS/MS analysis of immunoprecipitated Rab1 (data not shown). A similar increase in phosphorylation of endogenous Rab1 is observed upon TAK1 overexpression in normal HEK-293T, as is a decrease in phosphorylation after TAK1 inhibition. The modulation of pT75 Rab1 levels upon manipulation of TAK1 catalytic activity by overexpression and inhibition suggests Rab1 is a direct substrate of TAK1 *in vivo*.

Because switch II occupies two distinct conformations, we hypothesized that the nucleotide state of Rab1 may influence the ability of TAK1 to phosphorylate T75. Radiometric *in vitro* kinase assays with GST-Rab1 purified from a bacterial expression system and WT-TAK1^f showed preferential phosphorylation of the inactive, GDP-locked Rab1S25N(26) and reduced phosphorylation of active state mimetic Rab1Q70L(27) (Figure 4A). Correspondingly, TAK1 preferentially phosphorylated Rab1 loaded with GDP by nucleotide exchange versus non-hydrolyzable GTPγS (Figure 4B). The preference of TAK1 for GDP-Rab1 may be explained by available structural data of the yeast homolog of Rab1, Ypt1. Alignment of the structure of GDP [PDB: 2BCG] and GTP mimetic GppNHp [PDB: 1YZN] bound Ypt1 shows the switch II region to be flipped outward from the body of the protein, exposing T75-equivalent residue T72 (Figure 4C). Our findings suggest that T75 is only accessible for phosphorylation by TAK1 when GDP binding to Rab1 causes the switch II region to become disordered(23). Interestingly, the

in infected cells by post-translational modification of nearby switch II residues including adenylylation, also known as AMPylation, of Y80 and phosphocholination of S79 (Figure 4D)(15, 16, 28).



Figure 4. TAK1 preferentially phosphorylates GDP-bound Rab1. (**A**) *In vitro* kinase assay of purified GST-Rab1 mutants (10µM) and WT-TAK1^f (100nM) imaged by autoradiography (AR) and western blot (WB) as loading control. (**B**) *In vitro* kinase assay of WT- TAK1^f (100nM) and purified GST-WT Rab1 (10µM) loaded with the indicated nucleotide. (**C**) Alignment of Rab1-homolog Ypt1 structures bound to GDP [PDB: 2BCG] or GTP analog GppNHp [PDB: 1YZN]. Ypt1 T72 aligns to Rab1 T75. (**D**) Mapping of post-transnationally modified Rab1 residues within switch II where S76 and Y77 (Rab1 S79 and Y80 as aligned to YPT1 structure PDB:1YZN) are sites of *Legionella* derived modifications.

Phosphorylation of Rab1 disrupts GDI but not GAP, GEF interactions

During activation, switch II becomes more ordered and T75 is flipped inward towards the core of

Rab1 (Figure 4C). It is possible that phosphorylation may block Rab1 from binding GTP and

localizing to the membrane by sterically hindering the conformational shift of switch II. In order

to determine whether phosphorylation may disrupt GTP binding, we assayed the nucleotide

affinities of Rab1 mutants using 2'-deoxy-3'-O-(*N*-methylanthraniloyl) (mant)-dGDP (mant-GDP) loaded Rab1, which forms a fluorescent complex. EDTA was used to catalyze nucleotide exchange while titrating unlabeled GDP or GTP(29), with a reduction in fluorescence due to mant-GDP displacement corresponding to affinity for the titrated nucleotide. All constructs tested, including WT-Rab1 phosphorylated by pre-incubation with TAK1 and ATP, maintained a similar affinity for GDP (Figure 5A). A slight increase in affinity for GTP was observed for Rab1Q70L, phosphomimetic Rab1T75E, and WT-Rab1 pre-incubated with TAK1 and ATP (Figure 5B, C). The catalysis of nucleotide exchange by ETDA suggests that phosphorylation does not prevent activation of Rab1, and may in fact enhance GTP affinity.



Figure 5. GDP and GTP affinities for GST-Rab1 mutants and GEF catalyzed GDP exchange. (A) mant-GDP is first loaded on GST-Rab1 mutants and excess mant-GDP removed. A single concentration of mant-GDP bound Rab1 (1µM) is subject to EDTA (5mM) catalyzed nucleotide exchange in the presence of varying conditions of free GDP (x-axis). The reaction is allowed to proceed for 1 hour, and remaining mant-GDP-Rab1 complex is quantified by fluorescence and normalized to an EDTA free condition (y-axis). (n=1) (**B**) Similar to **A**, except with varying concentrations of free GTP(n=1). (**C**) Quantification of GDP and GTP titrations in A and B, where IC_{50} values were obtained from sigmoidal fits (CI: confidence interval). (**D**) Representative single experiment data for DrrA340-533 catalyzed nucleotide exchange from all mant-GDP bound Rab1 mutants in the presence of excess GTP (see Figure 6A, B).

Multiple studies have shown that phosphocholination and AMPylation of Rab1 switch II manipulate Rab1 function by blocking the ability of Rab1 to interact with Guanine Exchange Factors (GEF) and GTPase Activating Proteins (GAP)(16, 28, 30), as switch II serves as the primary interface for these binding events. In order to investigate whether phosphorylation of Rab1T75 may have a similar effect, we assayed the ability of the Legionella Rab1 GEF DrrA (GEF domain only, residues 340-533) to catalyze the displacement of mant-GDP from WT and mutant Rab1 in vitro (Figure 6A, B, 5D). DrrA₃₄₀₋₅₃₃ was selected for these assays due to numerous publications(30–32) describing similar experiments with this enzyme. We found no significant difference in the k_{cat}/K_m of DrrA₃₄₀₋₅₃₃ toward WT Rab1 and Rab1T75E, and only a slight difference with Rab1T75A, thus we infer that it is unlikely phosphorylation of T75 prevents Rab1 interaction with GEFs or interferes with activation. Phosphomimetic mutant Rab1T75E yields similarly insignificant effects on the ability of a Legionella GAP, LepB (33), to stimulate Rab1 hydrolysis of GTP, as measured with the Promega GTPase-Glo system(34). Briefly, increasing concentrations of LepB with excess GTP held at a constant concentration are added to wells containing a constant concentration of Rab1 and allowed to react for 1 hour. The amount of remaining, unhydrolyzed GTP in each condition is detected by luminescence-coupled assay, plotted against GAP concentration and a LepB EC_{50} is determined. We found no difference in LepB activity towards WT, T75E or T75A (Figure 7A, B), which suggests phosphorylation does not interfere with inactivation of Rab1 by GAPs. Considering the GTP/GDP affinity, GEF assay and GAP assay together, we conclude phosphorylation of Rab1

does not impact the ability of Rab1 to cycle between GDP and GTP bound states or interact with GAP and GEFs.



Figure 6. Phosphorylation of Rab1 disrupts interaction with GDI but not GEFs. (**A**) Measurement of mant-GDP dissociation from GST-Rab1 mutants by $DrrA_{340-533}$ from a single representative experiment where each data point represents the mean of technical replicates (n=3). (**B**) Observed rate constants (k_{obs}) for DrrA catalyzed mant-GDP dissociation with error bars for mean ± SD (n=2) and extrapolated catalytic efficiencies (k_{cat}/K_m). (**C**) HEK-293s stably expressing Flag-Rab1 were transiently transfected with either empty vector(V) or full length V5TAK1 and Myc-TAB1. Lysates were subject to immunoprecipitation of Flag-Rab1 using α-Flag antibody coupled magnetic beads and analyzed by western for co-immunoprecipitation of GDI1. The bar graph represents the ratio of precipitated GDI:Flag-Rab1 (n=2). (**D**) HEK-293Ts were transiently transfected with vector, Flag-Rab1 WT, T75A or T75E and subject to immunoprecipitation of Flag-Rab1. Quantitation is in Supplemental Figure S4B. (**E**) Cell fractionation of HEK-293Ts transiently transfected with empty vector or Flag-Rab1 with cytoplasmic (C) or membrane (M) fractions.



Figure 7. GAP catalyzed hydrolysis of GTP by Rab1 is not disrupted by phosphomemetic mutation T75E, but interaction with GDI1 is. (**A**) Representative data from a single experiment of a GAP assay using Promega GTPase-Glo. Error bars are mean \pm SD for 3 wells per condition. Purified GST-Rab1 mutants (30 µM) were incubated with excess GTP and varying concentrations of Legionella Rab1 GAP LepB for 1 hour. Remaining GTP concentrations were assayed by a luminescence coupled assay and plotted versus LepB concentration. (**B**) LepB EC50 values calculated from the LepB curves in A for 4 independent experiments (black lines: mean EC50 \pm SD for n=4). (**C**) Quantitation related to Figure 4D where relative GDI enrichment represents the normalized ratio of immunoprecipitated GDI:Flag-Rab1 (n=2).

The subcellular location of Rab1 is also generally dictated by its nucleotide association, as recruitment of Rab1 to the membrane of the ER from the cytoplasm is concurrent with displacement of GDP and activation of Rab1 upon binding of GTP(35). Until this displacement occurs, inactive GDP-Rab1 is sequestered in the cytoplasm in complex with a GDI. Similar to their effect on GAPs and GEFs, *Legionella* derived post-translational modifications of Rab1 disrupt association with the GDI(31). We immunoprecipitated Flag-Rab1 from HEK-293 cells stably expressing Flag-Rab1 transfected with either vector or the combination of TAK1 and TAB1. The relative amount of GDI1 co-precipitating with Rab1 (GDI:Flag-Rab1) decreased in

cells with highly phosphorylated Rab1 resulting from TAK1 and TAB1 overexpression (Figure 6C). More strikingly, little to no GDI1 co-immunoprecipitates with Flag-Rab1T75E transiently over expressed in HEK 293Ts, whereas Flag-Rab1T75A increases association with GDI1 (Figure 6D, 5C). Disruption of the GDI:Rab1 complex by phosphorylation suggests pT75-Rab1 is be available for activation and recruitment to the ER membrane. Thus, we examined the localization of pT75 Rab1 by cellular fractionation of HEK 293Ts transiently expressing Flag-Rab1 (Figure 6E). While total Flag-Rab1 is distributed between cytoplasmic and membrane fractions, pT75 Rab1 is exclusively detected in the membrane fraction, where Rab1 activation occurs. Taken together, these results suggest that phosphorylation of Rab1 by TAK1 may be an important precursor to GTP binding and activation by driving dissociation from the GDI.

Rab1 phosphorylation is required to maintain Golgi structure

Rab1 is responsible for transporting vesicles from the ER to the Golgi. Disruption of Rab1 activity, by knockdown or overexpression of the dominant negative Rab1S25N, results in fragmentation of the Golgi apparatus(36, 37). We tested the effect of overexpression of non-phosphorylatable T75A and phosphomimetic T75E Rab1 on Golgi structure to determine if the T75 site was critical for Rab1 function. Immunofluorescence was performed in HeLa cells transiently overexpressing GFP-Rab1 mutants (Figure 8A,B) and the Golgi was stained with a cis-Golgi marker, GM130. As previously shown, overexpression of Rab1S25N acts in a dominant negative fashion, disrupting Golgi structure whereas Rab1Q70L, the active state mimic, has no effect on Golgi structure. Similarly, Rab1T75E has no effect on the Golgi. However, Rab1T75A acts in a dominant negative fashion similar to Rab1S25N to cause extensive Golgi fragmentation.



Figure 8. Fragmentation of the Golgi is a result of overexpression of Rab1T75A or inhibition of TAK1. (**A**) Representative images of HeLa cells transfected with GFP-Rab1 in green and stained for GM130, a cis-Golgi marker in red, and DAPI, in blue. (**B**) Quantitation of immunofluorescence experiment (n=3 replicates, 33 cells/replicate). (**C**) Representative images of HeLa cells stained for GM130 after dosing with 2.5µM TAK1 inhibitor 5z-7-oxozeaenol for 6 hours and preceding transfection with GFP-Rab1 where indicated (**D**) Quantitation of immunofluorescence experiment (n=3 replicates, 33 cells/replicate).

To complement these results, we assayed the effect of inhibiting TAK1 with 5z-7-

oxozeaenol(25) on Golgi structure by immunofluorescence. Inhibition of TAK1 for 6 hours leads

to a marked disruption of normal Golgi structure versus DMSO (Figure 8C,D). This effect is

largely rescued by over expression of GFP-Rab1T75E, but not WT or T75A in the presence of

inhibitor. We conclude from this data that the phosphorylation of Rab1, or ability of Rab1 to be

phosphorylated, plays an important role in ER to Golgi vesicle transport, and in maintaining proper Golgi structure.

Innate immunity kinase TAK1 and pathogen *Legionella* compete to post-transnationally modify Rab1

There is a well-established precedent for regulation of Rab1 function by post-translational modification during microbial infection. The intracellular bacterial pathogen *Legionella pneumophila* utilizes post-translational modifications of Rab1 in order the to establish the *Legionella* Containing Vacuole (LCV). *Legionella* effectors DrrA and AnkX are secreted into the host cell cytoplasm during infection and catalyze the AMPylation at Y80 and phosphocholination at S79 of Rab1, respectively (Figure 4F)(15, 16, 38, 39). As discussed earlier, these modifications serve as locks on the Rab1 nucleotide state and block interactions with the host enzymes normally responsible for regulating Rab1. Two additional *Legionella* enzymes, SidD and Lem3, have cognate Rab1 demodifying activities(28, 40). *Legionella* maintains exquisite and tightly regulated control of Rab1 in order to mature its replication vacuole by carefully timing the sequential secretion of these effectors and subsequent recruitment of Rab1 to the LCV.

As TAK1 is a kinase activated by pathogens, such as *Legionella*, and *Legionella* extensively modifies the Rab1 switch II region, we examined the interplay between TAK1 mediated phosphorylation of Rab1 and *Legionella* infection. HEK-293 cells stably expressing FC γ III receptor (to allow for opsonization and endocytosis of *Legionella* in HEK-293 cells) and Flag-Rab1 were infected with *Legionella* (WT), an isogenic strain lacking the Dot/Icm Type IV secretion system ($\Delta dotA$), an isogenic strain lacking the two known Rab1 post-translational modifying enzymes DrrA and AnkX ($\Delta ankX, drrA$), or left mock infected (Figure 9A). Some basal phosphorylation of Rab1 was detected in the mock infected (0 hrs) sample. Phosphorylation of Rab1 increased slightly at 1hr in WT condition, then tapered to below basal levels at 4 and 6

hours. Infection with both $\Delta dotA$ and $\Delta ankX.drrA$ strains lead to increased levels of pT75-Rab1 at 1 and 4 hours, with levels remaining high at 6 hours in $\Delta dot A$. Deletion of AnkX and DrrA provided a moderate restoration of pT75-Rab1 levels versus WT infection, suggesting these enzymes may be responsible for outcompeting TAK1 for control of Rab1 during wild type infection. We next considered the contribution of the AMPylation versus GEF activity of DrrA toward reducing pT75-Rab1 levels during WT infection. GST-Rab1 was incubated for 15 minutes with ATP and either WT-TAK1^t or full length DrrA in the presence of excess GTP or GDP, then incubated for an additional 15 minutes after addition of the remaining enzyme. Aliquots were removed and quenched at 0, 15 and 30 minutes and analyzed by western blot (Figure 9B). AMPylation of Rab1 is not affected by pre-existing phosphorylation in the presence of either nucleotide. However, phosphorylation of Rab1 by TAK1 is significantly hindered only when excess GTP is present, suggesting that it is the DrrA catalyzed Rab1-GTP binding which reduces phosphorylation levels, not the presence of AMPylation disrupting the TAK1 phosphorylation site. While the contribution of phosphocholination and other factors to outcompeting Rab1 phosphorylation remain to be determined, these results suggest that TAK1 may be outcompeted in part by Legionella for modification and control of Rab1 during infection by the GEF activity of DrrA.



Figure 9. pT75 Rab1 levels decrease during *Legionella* infection due to the GEF activity of DrrA. (**A**) HEK-293 cells stably expressing FC γ III receptor and Flag-Rab1 were mock infected (0 hrs), infected with wild type (WT), secretion deficient ($\Delta dotA$) or AnkX and DrrA deficient ($\Delta ankX, drrA$) *Legionella* for 1, 4 or 6 hours and analyzed by western blot. (**B**) Sequential modification of Rab1 by TAK1 and DrrA. Enzymes were added at 0 and 15 minutes, with

aliquots of sample removed at 0(just prior to enzyme addition), 15 and 30 minutes for analysis in the presence of excess GDP or GTP ($30\mu M$).

Discussion

Here, we present the first effort to identify a broad set of substrates of TAK1, a S/T kinase with crucial function in the innate immune system. We generated an ATP analog specific mutant of TAK1, termed AS-TAK1^f to selectively label, isolate and identify novel substrates. We identified over 200 novel substrate proteins of TAK1, with a subset validated by in vitro kinase assays. TAK1 demonstrated striking preference for threonine in the identified phosphosites. A recent study demonstrated that kinases with a β-branched residue in the conserved DFG loop drives specificity for threonine over serine(41). Fittingly, TAK1 contains a threonine at this position, T178. Although only one substrate, Rab1, was studied in depth in this study, a number of these substrates fit with known characteristics of TAK1 signaling. Filamin A (FLNA) functions as a scaffold for MKK4 and JNK association and activation of JNK(42, 43). MKK4 is a direct substrate of TAK1, thus it is possible TAK1 also associates with Filamin A to stimulate MKK4/JNK signaling. Additionally, TAK1 is known to be a client of HSP90(44). TAK1 mediated phosphorylation of a close relative, endoplasmin (HSP90B1), suggests TAK1 is capable of interacting with additional heat shock proteins.

We focused in particular on a novel TAK1 substrate, the GTPase Rab1. We demonstrate TAK1 phosphorylates Rab1 at a single site within the dynamic switch II region *in vivo*. Given the preference of TAK1 for GDP-bound Rab1 *in vitro*, we believe phosphorylation of Rab1 occurs in the inactive state. However, the GTP affinity of phosphorylated Rab1 is unchanged, GEF DrrA catalyzes nucleodite exchange of Rab1T75E efficiently, and Rab1T75E can perform GAP catalyzed GTP hydrolysis normally, and phosphorylation is present only on membrane associated Rab1, suggesting phosphorylated Rab1 has a normal catalytic cycle and associates with membranes. We find phosphorylation of Rab1 disrupts interaction with GDI1, an interaction

which is stabilized by the residues of switch II (45). Combined, these results suggest phosphorylation of Rab1 may serve to disrupt association with the GDI, and perhaps push Rab1 toward membrane association and activation rather than sequestration. A strong Golgi fragmentation phenotype was observed by immunofluorescence upon over expression of nonphosphorylatable but not phosphomimetic Rab1 as well as inhibition of TAK1, suggesting that the ability to be phosphorylated is necessary for Rab1 function in ER to Golgi vesicle transport. Thus, we propose that TAK1 phosphorylation of Rab1 is a priming step for Rab1 activation and integral component of the Rab1 activity cycle.

We believe this is the first evidence of regulation of Rab1 function by endogenous posttranslational modification within the catalytic domain of the protein. Seen in the context of recent studies and existing data, modification, especially phosphorylation, of switch II may be a widespread endogenous mechanism of Rab family regulation. The Phosphosite.org database contains phosphoproteomic evidence for switch II phosphorylation of at least 15 additional Rab GTPases, and several other small GTPases. Recent work from the Mann group(46), identified phosphorylation by LRRK2 of the switch II regions of Rab3a, Rab8a, Rab10 and Rab12 as a driver of membrane localization. In addition, a few GTPases outside the Rab family including Cdc42, Rac1 and Ran are thought to be regulated by modification of switch II(47–49). Switch II has long been recognized for its importance in dictating Rab activation state, it is now becoming clear that post-translational modification of this region allows further, external control of Rab function.

Our interest in Rab1 stemmed from the extensive literature describing the ability of *Legionella pneumophila* to manipulate Rab1 function by post-translational modifications to ensure maturation of the *Legionella* replication vacuole within the host cell(35, 38). Here, we suggest that a similar and endogenous mechanism, TAK1 mediated phosphorylation of Rab1, serves to

regulate Rab1 function in normal conditions. We also show that phosphorylation of Rab1 is stimulated by secretion-deficient *Legionella* ($\Delta dotA$) infection, yet is reduced during wild type infection. We believe that TAK1 phosphorylation is outcompeted by secreted *Legionella* factors, as evidenced by the observed reduction of TAK1 driven phosphorylation of Rab1 exposed to GEF DrrA and the rescue of pT75 Rab1 levels in $\Delta ankX$, *drrA* infected cells. Interestingly, *Legionella* also stimulate NF-kB, p38 and JNK signaling through TLR independent mechanisms during infection(50, 51). TAK1 normally serves to respond to TLR signaling and activate these same pathways during infection. In addition, *Yersinia pestis* has been shown to inhibit innate immune signaling through acetylation and inactivation of TAK1(52). Thus, we hypothesize that *Legionella* has evolved mechanisms to mimic, or perhaps directly manipulate, TAK1 function during infection in order to control the innate immune response, as evidenced by activation of NF-kB, p38 and JNK, and now by modification of Rab1. The unbiased identification of TAK1 substrates has revealed phosphorylation of Rab1 switch II, a hotspot for post-translational modification, as a novel regulatory mechanism and potential unique component of innate immunity.

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Materials and Methods

Cell lines, Plasmids, Antibodies, other reagents:

All cell lines were grown using standard conditions in DMEM (Gibco) containing 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Gibco). Cells were harvested at 80-90% confluence. Cell lysis for covalent capture was performed in lysis buffer 1(20mM Tris at pH7.5, 100mM NaCl, 10mM MgCl2, 0.5 mM DTT, 0.25% NP-40 and 1x Roche Complete protease inhibitor cocktail). All other cell lysis was performed in lysis buffer 2 (50 mM Tris at pH 8.0, 200 mM NaCl, 1 mM DTT, 1mM MgCl2, 0.5% Triton, 1x Roche Complete protease inhibitor cocktail, and 1x PhosStop phosphatase inhibitor (Roche)). 5z-7-oxozeaenol was purchased from Tocris.

WT-TAK1^f fusion protein cDNA was synthesized by DNA 2.0 and cloned into pFastBac (Invitrogen) with a N-terminal 6xHis tag. pDONOR plasmids containing cDNA of MKK6, PSMC4, POLR3D, AP2B1, ADD1, Vinexin, EIF4B, EIF3I, TAK1, TAB1 and Rab1 were purchased from DNASU. Rab1, EIF4B, EIF31 were cloned into gateway vector pDEST with N-terminal GST fusion. TAK1 and TAB1 were cloned into pcDNA3 vector with N-terminal V5 or Myc tags, respectively. The remaining genes were cloned into pcDNA3 with N-terminal Flag tags. Constructs for His-DrrA, His-LepB, pcDNA4/TO-Flag-Rab1 and pGEX-GST Rab-1 were gifts from Shaeri Mukherjee, as were HEK-293 stably expressing FCγRII receptor and Flag-Rab1. All point mutants, including AS-TAK1^f, were generated by site directed mutagenesis of the wildtype construct.

Antibodies used with product number: Cell Signaling Technologies:TAK1 (4505), TAB1 (3226), B-Tubulin (2146), CoxIV (4850). ThermoFisher Scientific: Myc (21316), His (21315), Flag(91878). Sigma: V5 (V8012), GDI1 (AV13086). Abcam: Anti-thiophosphate ester (ab92570). The pT75 Rab1 rabbit polyclonal antibody was raised by GenScript and is available by request. The anti-AMPylated Rab1 antibody was a gift from the Itzen laboratory.

Transfection, western blotting and immunoprecipitation:

Fugene HD (Promega) was used for transfection of HeLa cells for immunofluorescence. For immunoprecipitation prior to kinase assays in Figure 2A,B,C , HEK-293Ts were transfected with Lipofectamine (Invitrogen). All other HEK-293T transfections were done with Fugene HD. Cells were transfected at 60% confluence for 24 hours. For western blots or immunoprecipitation, cells were lysed in lysis buffer 2 with sonication. Protein concentrations were measured using a BCA assay (Thermo). 20-30 micrograms of protein was separated by SDS-Page and transferred to nitrocellulose. Membranes were incubated with antibody per manufacturer's guidelines and imaged on a Licor system. All immunoprecipitation of proteins was performed on 500ug-1mg lysate per sample with anti-Flag magnetic beads (Sigma) or glutathione magnetic beads (Thermo) as appropriate for 2 hours at 4 degrees. For use in in vitro kinase assays, samples were washed 3x in 500ul lysis buffer and eluted with 3xFlag-tide or 10mM glutathione. For LC-MS/MS analysis, samples were run on SDS-Page, coomassie stained, subject to a standard in gel trypsin digestion protocol. For co-immunoprecipitations, samples were washed 3x in PBS before elution by heating in SDS gel loading buffer.

Purification of TAK1^f and Rab1

TAK1^f was purified as previously described (17). Briefly, His-tagged WT- TAK1^f and AS- TAK1^f were over-expressed using a baculovirus expression system in SF9 insect cells and purified using Ni/NTA agarose resin (Qiagen). The tagged protein was further purified by size exclusion chromatography on a Superdex 75 column (Amersham Biotech) and concentrated prior to the addition of glycerol to 10% and snap freezing.

Rab1 was purified as previously described(53). Purification for DrrA, DrrA₃₄₀₋₅₃₃, and LepB followed the same conditions. Briefly, *E. coli* BL21 cells transformed with vectors for GST-Rab1 mutants were grown in LB broth at 37 degrees to an OD=0.4. 0.1mM IPTG was added to induce protein expression and cells were incubated for 4 hours at 30 degrees. Cells were harvested by centrifugation and mechanically lysed via microfluidizer in buffer containing 50mM Tris at pH 8.0, 200mM NaCl, 1mM DTT, 1mM MgCl2 and 1x Roche Complete protease inhibitor cocktail. Cleared lysate was incubated with 1mL per liter of culture of glutathione sepharose resin (GE Healthcare) or Nickel-NTA resin (Qiagen) for 2 hours at 4 degrees. Bound proteins were washed with lysis buffer and eluted in buffer containing 10mM glutathione or 50mM imidazole. All GST-Rab1 proteins were further purified by size exclusion chromatography on a Superdex 200 column (Amersham Biosciences).

Rab1 Nucleotide Exchange

Rab1 proteins were loaded with the indicated nucleotides (GTPγS, GDP or 1'(3)-bis-O-(Nmethylanthraniloyl) GDP (mant-GDP, Molecular Probes) by incubation for 1 hour at 37 degrees in buffer containing 50mM Tris at pH 8.0, 200mM NaCl, 1mM DTT, 1mM MgCl2, 5mM EDTA and 25mM excess of the indicated nucleotide. The exchange reaction was quenched by addition of 10mM MgCl₂. For *in vitro* kinase assays, GST-Rab1 was purified away from excess nucleotide by size exclusion. For nucleotide affinity and GEF assays, protein was desalted and excess nucleotide removed on Zebra spin desalting columns (Thermo).

Thiophosphorylation and covalent capture.

Thiophoshorylation of MBP (dephosphorylated, EMD Milipore) with purified WT-TAK1^f was performed in buffer containing 50mM Tris pH 7.5, 150mM NaCl, 10mM MgCl2 and 0.5mM of each ATP γ S analog (6-Bn-ATP- γ -S, 6-PhEt-ATP- γ -S or 6-Furfuryl-ATP- γ -S, Axxora). Labeling experiments for covalent capture enrichment were performed on 2mg of protein lysate per

sample. Samples were incubated in lysis buffer 1 supplemented with 250μM FF-ATPγS, 250μM ATP, 3mM GTP, 10mM MgCl2 and 20μg of purified TAK1 as indicated. Labeling reactions were left at room temperature for 1 hour before quenching with 50mM EDTA. 30μL aliquots of each reaction were alkylated with 2uL of 100mM p-nitro mesylate (PNBM) for 30 minutes at room temperature. Thiophosporylation was detected by western blot with the anti-thiophosphate ester antibody.

Covalent capture of thiophosporylated proteins was performed as describe previously(9). Briefly, lysates were denatured by adding 60% w/v solid urea, 10mM final TCEP and incubating at 55 degrees C for 30 minutes. Samples were diluted to 2M urea with 50mM ammonium bicarbonate and digested overnight at 37 degrees C with typsin (Promega) at a 1:20 ratio. Peptides were acidified with triflouroacetic acid, desalted on a SepPak C18 column (Waters) and speedvaced to dryness. Peptides were resuspended in 50mM HEPES and 50% acetonitrile and adjusted to pH 7. The peptide solution was incubated overnight rocking with 100µL of iodoacetyl sepharose resin in the dark (Thermo). Beads were washed by gravity flow with water, 5M NaCl, 50% Acetonitrile, 5% formic acid and 10mM DTT followed by elution with 1mg/mL oxone (Sigma). Peptides were desalted with ZipTips (Milipore) and speedvacuumed to dryness.

LC-MS/MS analysis and data processing

All desalted peptides were resuspended into 10μ L of 0.1% formic acid . Peptides were loaded on to a nanoACQUITY (Waters) UPLC instrument for reversed-phase chromatography with a C18 column (BEH130, 1.7µm bead size, 100μ m × 100mm) in front of an LTQ Orbitrap Velos. The LC was operated at a 600nL/min flow rate and peptides were separated over an 80 minute gradient from 2-50% Buffer B (Buffer A: water and 0.1% formic acid, Buffer B: acetonitrile and 0.1% formic acid). Survey scans were recorded over a 350 – 1800 m/z range and MS/MS

fragmentation was performed using HCD on the top 8 peaks. A second injection, i.e. technical replicate, of each sample was performed using ETD fragmentation on the top 6 peaks. Peaklists were generated with an in-house software called PAVA and searched against the SwissProt Homo Sapiens database (downloaded June 27, 2013, 20,264 entries) using Protein Prospector (version 5.10.10). Data was searched with a 20 ppm tolerance for parent and fragment ions (HCD or 20ppm/0.6Da ETD), allowing for standard variable modifications and S/T/Y phosphorylation. Filtering of background peptides and phosphopeptides was accomplished using an in-house R script described previously(21). Individual phosphopeptide abundance, when noted, was manually extracted using the extracted ion chromatogram functions built into Xcalibur Qual Browser (Thermo). Raw LC-MS/MS data and matched search results have been deposited to the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE(54) partner repository with the dataset identifier PXD004213. Searched peptide identifications from all runs are also available in Datasets 1 through 4. Each Dataset is all runs for a single cell type, with individual sheets containing all identifications for a single injection.

In Vitro Kinase Assays with γ³²P-ATP

Purified kinase to a final concentration of 100-300nM was added into immunoprecipitated substrate or purified GST-Rab1 in 50mM Tris pH 7.5, 150mM NaCl and 10mM MgCl2. A small aliquot of this mixture was removed to check loading by western blot. 1-2ul of a mixture of cold ATP and γ^{32} P-ATP, for a final concentration of 100uM ATP and 1-5uCi γ^{32} P-ATP per sample, was added to start each reaction. Reactions were quenched by adding gel loading buffer and heating to 95 degrees C prior to SDS-Page separation. Gels were washed, dried and detected by autoradiography.

Cell Fractionation

Cell fractionation experiments were performed using 1 confluent well of a 6 well plate of HEK-293Ts per sample. Fractionation was performed according to the Subcellular Protein Fractionation Kit protocol (Thermo).

Immunofluoresence

HeLa cells were plated on glass coverslips and grown to 50% confluency. Cells were transfected and grown for 24 hours, then fixed. For immunofluorescence experiments with TAK1 inhibition, cells were transfected (or left untransfected), grown for 24 hours, then treated with 2.5µM 5z-7-oxozeanol for 6 hours and fixed. Cells were fixed with paraformaldehyde, permiablized with saponin, and stained with rabbit anti-GFP and mouse anti-GM130 (BD biosciences) for 1 hour. Coverslips were washed and stained with anti-rabbit and anti-mouse antibodies conjugated to alexa-488 and alexa-568, respectively. Coverslips were then stained with Hoechst reagent, fixed to slides, imaged and quantified manually.

Legionella Infection Experiments

HEK-293 expressing FCγRII and Flag-Rab1 were infected as described previously(15). Cells were grown to near confluency in 10cm dishes and infected with *Legionella pneumophila* strain LP01 or isogenic mutants at an estimated multiplicity of 100 bacteria to 1 host cell. Cells were harvested and snap frozen at the indicated time points.

GDP/GTP preference and **GEF** assays

First, GST-Rab1 mutants were loaded with mant-GDP as described above. The complex of mant-GDP and Rab1 fluoresces when excited, but not mant-GDP alone. The GDP/GTP affinity assay was performed as described previously(29).Briefly, mant-GDP loaded Rab1 (1µM final concentration) was incubated with EDTA (5mM final concentration) in the presence of varying concentrations of GTP or GDP as indicated. In a 384 well low volume black plate, 5µL of

EDTA/nucleotide mixture was added to the 10 µL of Rab1 to start the reaction. The presence of EDTA in the reaction mixture helps displace mant-GDP from Rab1, which is then free to bind any nucleotide in solution, and is read out as a decrease in fluorescence. The amount of displacement in the presence of free nucleotide can be used to determine nucleotide preference. Where indicated, WT-TAK1^f was also present in the reaction at 100nM and ATP at and 200uM, and allowed to react for 15 minutes prior to the addition of EDTA and GDP/GTP. This reaction was allowed to reach equilibrium during a 1 hour incubation. The amount of remaining mant-GDP bound Rab1 was determined by fluorescence Spectramax M5 plate reader (Molecular Devices, 360 nm excitation, 440 nm emission). For the determination of nucleotide IC₅₀, a sigmoidal curve fit was used for each nucleotide and mutant (Prism).

The GEF assay followed similar conditions to the above nucleotide affinity assay, using the same plate set up and reader. Briefly, GST-Rab1 mutants were loaded with mant-GDP as described above. 10μ M of Rab1 was added to each well (final concentration 1μ M). To trigger the reaction, 5μ L of His-DrrA₃₄₀₋₅₃₃, EDTA, or buffer with excess GTPγS (final concentration 200 μ M) was added to the reaction and the fluorescence monitored for 2 hours at 60-second intervals. K_{obs} values were determined using a single exponential decay fit (Prism).

GAP assay

The GTPase-Glo system (Promega)(34) was used to measure the GTP remaining after incubation of GST-Rab1 with varying concentrations of His-LepB. 10uL of a solution containing 2µM Rab1 in assay buffer (50mM Tris, 200mM NaCl, 1mM DTT, 5mM MgCl₂, 20mM EDTA) was dispensed into a low volume white 384 well plate. LepB was serially diluted in assay buffer with 10µM GTP and 5µL of this mixture was added to each well to trigger the reaction. The reaction was incubated at room temperature protected from light for 1 hour. At one hour, 10µL of GTPase-Glo Reagent mix was added to each well and incubated while shaking for 30 min at

room temperature. Finally 20µL of Detection Reagent was added to each well, incubated for 5 minutes at room temperature, and luminescence was measured on a Spectramax M5 Plate reader (Molecular Devices, 500 ms read time). For the determination of LepB EC₅₀, concentrations of LepB were plotted against Relative Fluorescence Units and a sigmoidal curve fit was performed (Prism).

In Vitro Labeling of Rab1 by DrrA and TAK1

15 μ g of Rab1 was diluted in 30 μ L of 50mM Tris pH 7.5, 150mM NaCl and 10mM MgCl2 with

200µM ATP and 30µM GTP or 30µM GDP. At 0 min a 10µL portion was removed and

quenched with gel loading buffer. 1 µg of TAK1 or 0.5 µg of DrrA was added to the reaction and

allowed to react for 15 minutes. At 15 minutes, a 10µL portion was removed and quenched.

0.25µg of full length His-DrrA was then added to the TAK1 labeled sample and 0.5µg of TAK1 to

the DrrA labeled sample and allowed to react for an additional 15 minutes (30 min total) before

quenching with SDS sample loading buffer and analysis by western blot.

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Chapter 4

Establishing the Multiplexed Kinase Inhibitor Beads (MIBs) technique and use on collaborative projects

Introduction

The study of kinase in normal and disease context has benefited immensely from the drive to produce specific and sensitive kinase inhibitors. These inhibitors are often developed with therapeutic intentions, however few advance into the clinic. Although inadequate for use in patients, these tool compounds have been use extensively for the precise study of kinase signaling in cell culture and mouse models of disease. These compounds have also found a new use as scaffolds for the purification of kinases from biological samples. When coupled to a sepharose resin, initial experiments demonstrated that these inhibitors could selectively enrich for multiple classes of kinase, depending on the specificity of the inhibitor and fishing out kinases to which it binds, or by treating a biological sample with the test compound and looking for a reduction in kinase enrichment using inhibitor-coupled resin targeted at wide swath of kinase families(1).

Furthermore, these inhibitor-coupled resins can also be used to assess the activity of kinases in the proteome. When inhibitors that bind exclusively to active kinases, termed Type I inhibitors, are used to pull down kinases from a lysate, this biases the pull down toward kinases in the active state. This can be used to assess broad changes in kinase activity between conditions, for example drug treated versus control, or stimulated versus unstimulated cells. Often, alternative kinase pathways will activate in response to inhibition of common tumor driver

kinases, and this activation can be detected with this method. While many labs had pursued kinase enrichment strategies using kinase inhibitors as bait(1), the Johnson lab was the first to publish the activation state biased enrichment technique, referred to as Multiplexed Inhibitor Beads (MIBs)(2). The Johnson group used this technique to study drug induced reprograming of the kionome in breast cancer and leukemia(2–4). Given the interest of the Shokat lab in the development and use of kinase inhibitors, we worked extensively to adapt the MIBs methodology for use in our laboratory. Described in this chapter is the approach to MIBs developed in the Shokat lab as well as examples of projects using the MIBs approach. Chapter 5 describes specific proteomic technological advancements for increasing the sensitivity and robustness of the MIBs approach.

Adaptation of MIBs to the Shokat Lab

In the Shokat lab, we first began by determining the optimal coupling reactions and inhibitors to couple to beads. Dr. John Gordan drove the chemistry arm of the project, selecting inhibitors, running coupling reactions, and synthesizing compounds as needed. To test inhibitor conjugated resin, we first ran single inhibitor-coupled resin (or "single bead") pull downs from cell lysates to check for enrichment. Pull downs were done in the batch style, as one does for any immunoprecipitation experiment. Eluate for these was run on a gel and subject to in gel digestion and LC-MS/MS analysis. Criteria for including a particular inhibitor resin in further experiments included high levels (greater than 30) of kinase identifications, as well as identification of known targets of the inhibitor. We developed a number of new inhibitor resins, including compounds developed in the Shokat lab as well as clinical compounds not previously used in the MIBs approach(5). The best performing beads were selected for use in the multiplex system, with multiple layers of individual inhibitor-coupled resin stacked in a gravity column. Inhibitor combinations were selected to give the broadest possible coverage of the kinome. Previous publications using MIBs(2) relied on the use of isobaric tags for quantitation.

Experiences in the Burlingame lab with isobaric tags had previously been quite negative, with low levels of identification and disruption of instrument function. Thus we instituted a label free quantitation system to assess kinase abundance in enriched samples (Figure 1), which does not require any additional processing of samples or expensive reagents. Individual MIBs columns are run for each sample, proteins are eluted by denaturation, digested with trypsin and identified by a standard 2 hour data dependent LC-MS/MS run. Skyline software(6) was used to extract ion chromatograms for identified peptides, or the MS1 intensity of individual peptides in all samples. MSstats(7) along with an in house processing script, as written by collaborator James Webber, was used to normalize peptide abundance and provide statistics on the relative abundance of proteins between samples. This platform proved to be a very robust means of assessing kinase abundance, and requires no special bench or proteomics techniques. In collaboration with Anatoly Urisman, we developed an even more sensitive and robust means of label free guantification of MIBs samples through the use of a super long monolithic liquid chromatography column and targeted mass spectrometry protocol, termed parallel reaction monitoring. While this new method does provide significant gains in sensitivity, we have found that the standard label free quantitation using MS1 filtering with Skyline is more than adequate for most MIBs experiments.


Figure 1. The Shokat MIBs approach. Samples are run on individual columns and in individual LC-MS/MS runs. Protein idenfications and relative peptide abundance are derived from these runs, and translated into relative protein abundance using MSstats.

During my time in the Shokat lab, I was fortunate to collaborate on many projects using this MIBs platform. Collaborators, often recruited by Dr. Gordan, usually had specific areas they were interested in analyzing. Much of this work remains unpublished to date, but the projects spanned from examining biomarkers of sensitivity to drug, identifying non-mutated kinase drivers of cancer, and identifying synthetic lethal relationships between kinases and specific genetic drivers of cancer. For these studies, I processed MIBs samples and analyzed data, and in some instances designed MIBs experiments as well as follow up.

As an example of the power of MIBs, the following section is adapted from a study(8) lead by Dr. Martin Sos, a postdoc in the group, and performed by Dr. Sos, myself and many contributors from the Shokat lab. This study is a perfect example of the complementary nature of MIBs to quantitative phosphoproteomics. Here, we use MIBs to understand the basic mechanisms of resistance to kinase-targeted therapeutics. A parallel quantitative phosphoproteomics study identified specific phosphosites and targets of this kinase activity, leading to the discovery of a novel mechanism of autocrine stimuli driven resistance to MEK inhibition. For this project, I

assisted in the MIBs enrichment, performed the MIBs mass spectrometry and data analysis, participated in the design of the phosphoproteomics and executed the enrichment and analysis of phosphopeptides. The project was conceptualized and lead by Dr. Martin Sos.

Oncogene mimicry as a mechanism of primary resistance to BRAF Inhibitors

Activating mutations in the S/T kinase BRAF are among the most common mutations across all cancers and lead to RAS-independent induction of mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) signaling in these tumors (9, 10). Given the incidence of this mutation in cancer, much effort has been place in creating targeted inhibitors of mutant BRAF, such as vemurafinib, and the downstream kinases it activates, MEK and ERK, such as trametinib (11–13). These inhibitors should disrupt the activation of the RAS/MAPK pathway driven by the oncogenic mutations of BRAF, such as V600E, the most commonly observed mutation. These targeted approaches, although initially successful in treating the disease, are limited by the gradual selection of cells that are insensitive to the drug, termed acquired resistance. However, some BRAF mutant cancers never respond to targeted therapies, termed primary resistance(12, 14). The finding that BRAF^{V600E} present in different tissues exhibits drastically different sensitivity to vemurafenib suggests drastically different wiring diagrams and adds to the complexity of primary resistance to MAPK pathway inhibition in BRAF-mutant tumors(15). Activation of parallel kinase pathways (15) or relief of upstream negative feedback upon BRAF inhibition (16) had been previously identified as mechanisms of resistance to MAPK pathway inhibition in the context of BRAF activating mutations.

We initiated an effort to systematically map the signaling differences be- tween primary resistant and sensitive BRAFV600E-mutant cells originating from different tissues. Our approach relied on two complementary mass spectrometry platforms: (1) a kinase inhibitor bead-based affinity purification to profile active kinases within the MAPK pathway and parallel pathways, and (2) a

stable isotope labeling with amino acids in cell culture (SILAC)-based phosphoproteomic analysis to capture the output of a wide variety of signaling outputs. To our knowledge, this is the most comprehensive kinase and phosphoproteomic analysis of the primary resistant state of BRAF^{V600E} mutant tumor cells.

We first assayed the dependency of a variety of BRAF mutant cell lines on BRAF through siRNA depletion of RAF, which suggested that BRAF dependency is conserved across BRAF mutant cells. However, pharmacologic perturbation of the BRAF pathway does not mimic this dependence, with a variety of responses to chemical inhibition observed. A small subset of cells displayed a phenotype of primary resistance. Through the use of a sorafenib coupled resin, we showed that inhibition of MEK lead to increased binding of BRAF, CRAF and also KSR1 in MAPK inhibitor resistant (SW1736), but not sensitive (SKMEL1) cells. This suggests that RAF isoforms are activating in response to inhibition of downstream kinase MEK in the context of resistance, and forming complexes with KSR1, likely stimulating signaling and survival even in the presence of drug.

Encouraged by the utility of a single-inhibitor bead to reveal differential kinase activation mechanisms, we next developed a custom-designed *m*ultiplexed kinase *i*nhibitor *b*eads (MIB) library(2, 17) to systematically detect drug-induced perturbation of kinase signaling in MAPK inhibitor primary resistant SW1736 cells at early (1 hr) and late (24 hr) time points after treatment with MEK inhibitor PD325901. Using this enrichment method coupled to mass spectrometry-based protein analysis described in the introduction to this chapter, we were able to detect 128 unique kinases (Figure 2A) In the group of preferentially enriched kinases after PD325901 treatment at both time points, we detected canonical MAPK pathway members (MEK2 and ERK1) and five non-canonical MAPK pathway effectors (MP2K2, M3K2, TAOK2, M4K5, and TAOK3) (Figure 2A, B). These results suggest the formation of activating complexes

between MAPK family members extends beyond those initially identified using our singleinhibitor bead pull-downs and are part of a more global signaling adaptation to overcome the initial inhibitory effect of the drug.



Figure 2. High-Dose MEK Inhibition Prevents Reactivation of MAPK in Primary Resistant Cells (A) Mapping of all identified kinases (n = 128) according to the log2-change of enrichment as compared to control for cells treated either for 1 hr (x axis) or 24 hr (y axis) with PD325901. Selected proteins in the individual groups (red: SG1, immediate enrichment; gray: SG2, delayed enrichment; blue: SG3, immediate decrease; green: SG4, delayed decrease) are highlighted.(B) Fold-change enrichment of selected kinases binding to MIBs (log₂-scale) as detected by mass spectrometry in resistant SW1736 cells treated with PD325901 (24 hr). MAPK components are marked in red. (C) Cells (sensitive, black; resistant, red) were treated with increasing concentrations of PD325901 (1 hr and 24 hr). Cells were either treated for 24 hr ("C") or compound was washed out ("WO") with fresh media after 1 hr treatment. ERK and phospho-ERK levels were assessed in immunoblotting assays.(D) A375 cells were transfected with FLAG-KRAS^{G12C} and were treated with either PD325901 or

vemurafenib for 24 hr ("C") or compound was washed out ("WO") with fresh media after 1 hr treatment. ERK and phospho-ERK levels were assessed in immunoblotting assays. Due to overlapping protein sizes, bands were not detected at the same membrane.

We speculated that the adaptive range of the increased MAPK pathway flux is finite and that high-dose MAPK inhibition may be able to override this primary resistance mechanism. To test this hypothesis, we steadily increased the concentration of PD325901 and measured the ability of the cells to reactivate MAPK signaling (Figure 2C). As expected, in both sensitive cells (A375 and SKMEL1), short-term and long-term MEK inhibition eliminates phospho-ERK, but in primary resistant (SW1736 and UHTH104) cells, phosphorylation of ERK recovers when cells are treated with low-dose (0.1 μ M) PD325901 (Figure 2C). In contrast, high-dose (1–10 μ M) MEK inhibition prevents recovery of phospho-ERK levels in these cells (Figure 2C). We observed the same pattern of ERK reactivation following treatment of A375 cells expressing a constitutively active *KRAS*^{G12C} allele (Figure 2D) that mimics the feedback-induced effects of primary resistant cells Thus, we conclude that in a subset of *BRAF*-mutant tumors, primary resistance to MAPK inhibition is primarily driven by an increased flux of the MAPK signaling that can be overcome by high-dose MEK inhibition.

The MIB analysis revealed the set of kinases activated in inhibitor resistant cells. To capture the downstream consequences of kinase reactivation occurring in primary resistant MAPK pathway-reactivated cells, we conducted a SILAC-based mapping of cellular phosphopeptides in SW1736 cells treated with the MEK inhibitor PD325901 over time (0, 1, and 24 hr) (Figure 3A) We identified 3,481 unique phosphopeptides from 1,396 unique proteins. Not surprisingly, the abundance of many phosphopeptides decreased after kinase inhibition (Figure 3B). Gene Ontology (GO)-term analysis showed that proteins phosphorylated within 24 hr are significantly enriched in the category of "negative regulation of gene expression" (SG1, immediate increase) and "negative regulation of macromolecule biosynthetic process" (SG2, delayed increase)

(Figure 3B) Phosphoproteins decreasing in abundance within 24 hr of MEK inhibitor treatment were primarily involved in regulation of the cell cycle (SG3, delayed decrease) and DNA replication (SG4, immediate decrease) (Figure 3B) In line with previous reports, we found increased phosphorylation of two receptor tyrosine kinases, ERBB3 and MET (SG1), in the MEK inhibitor-treated SW1736 cells (Figure 3B)(15). Receptor tyrosine kinase (RTK) arrays confirmed MEK inhibitor-induced phosphorylation of not only ERBB3 and MET but also additional RTKs such as EGFR or AXL in resistant (SW1736 and BCPAP), but not in sensitive (A375), cells (Figure 3C). However, we did not observe an increased expression of ERBB3 and EGFR or their respective ligands EGF and NRG1 upon MAPK inhibitor. Interestingly, the treatment with the MET inhibitor-induced reactivation of ERK phosphorylation. Furthermore, the combination of lapatinib and PD325901 had only a minor effect on the induction of apoptosis in primary resistant cells. These data suggest that the feedback-induced RTK phosphorylation pattern is not uniform across resistant cells and that inhibition of single nodes of RTK signaling may not be sufficient to prevent feedback-induced MAPK reactivation in *BRAF*-mutant cancer.



Figure 3. Mapping of Global Phosphoproteome Perturbation Reveals Effectors of Primary Resistance in BRAF-Mutant Cells (A) Graphic overview of the isotope-labeling strategy for SILAC-based detection of phosphoproteome activity.(B) Mapping of all identified phosphoppetides according to the log2-change of phosphorylation levels as compared to control for cells treated for either 1 hr (x axis) or 24 hr (y axis) with PD325901. Selected proteins in the individual groups (red, SG1; gray, SG2; blue, SG3; green, SG4) are highlighted. Inlay panel (upper left corner) shows the top-scoring GO-term annotation for the individual groups.(C) Sensitive (black; A375) and resistant (red; SW1736, BCPAP) cells were treated with PD325901 (0 and 48 hr), and phosphorylation status of 49 RTKs was detected using RTK arrays. Selected RTKs are highlighted.

To further explore the signaling fingerprint of primary resistant SW1736 cells, we focused on the delayed induction of phosphorylation of signal transducer and activator of transcription 3

(STAT3) at Tyr705. Of note, the activation pattern of STAT3 identified in the SILAC assay

(Figure 3B) corresponds to the delayed enrichment of JAK3 binding in the MIB assay (Figure

2A), suggesting that the time-dependent reactivation of JAK/STAT signaling is a conserved

response to MEK inhibition in these cells. Through multiple experiments, we demonstrated that inhibition of MEK in resistant cell lines lead to phosphorylation of STAT3. Because cytokines such as IL-6 are known activators of STAT3 signaling, we hypothesized that an autocrine loop might be responsible for the time-dependent activation of JAK/STAT signaling. Indeed, cell lines resistant to MEK inhibition demonstrate much higher levels of IL-6 secretion. Further, the addition of IL-6 into media of sensitive cells significantly reduced the sensitivity of the cells to MEK inhibitors, while depletion of IL-6 with siRNA increases sensitivity in resistant cells.

Our chemical proteomics approach to dissect global signaling networks in *BRAF*-mutant cells revealed two major mechanisms that contribute to primary resistance: (1) in primary resistant cells, MAPK pathway inhibition can induce RAS-RAF-MEK complex formation that buffers inhibition of the pathway and shifts cellular sensitivity to high-dose MEK inhibition; and (2) autocrine IL-6 secretion and subsequent activation of JAK/STAT signaling represent an unexpected route to overcome targeted inhibition of the MAPK pathway. Both strategies resemble the adaptation mechanisms by which *KRAS*-mutant cells escape targeted inhibition of MAPK signaling, and thus we propose to name this primary resistance concept "oncogene mimicry."

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Chapter 5

An optimized chromatographic strategy for multiplexing in parallel reaction

monitoring mass spectrometry: Insights from quantitation of activated kinases

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Abstract

Reliable quantitation of protein abundances in defined sets of cellular proteins is critical to

numerous biological applications. Traditional immunodetection-based methods are limited by

the quality and availability of specific antibodies, especially for site-specific post-translational

modifications. Targeted proteomic methods, including the recently developed parallel reaction

monitoring (PRM) mass spectrometry, have enabled accurate quantitative measurements of up

to a few hundred specific target peptides. However, the degree of practical multiplexing in label-

free PRM workflows remains a significant limitation for the technique. Here we present a

strategy for significantly increasing multiplexing in label-free PRM that takes advantage of the

superior separation characteristics and retention time stability of meter-scale monolithic silica-

C18 column-based chromatography. We show the utility of the approach in quantifying kinase

abundances downstream of previously developed active kinase enrichment methodology based

on multidrug inhibitor beads. We examine kinase activation dynamics in response to three different MAP kinase inhibitors in colorectal carcinoma cells and demonstrate reliable quantitation of over 800 target peptides from over 150 kinases in a single label- free PRM run. The kinase activity profiles obtained from these analyses reveal compensatory activation of TGF-b family receptors as a response to MAPK blockade. The gains achieved using this label-free PRM multiplexing strategy will benefit a wide array of biological applications.

Introduction

Kinases are involved in the regulation of most cellular processes and are implicated in numerous human disease states. Five hundred and eighteen human kinases are known, and between 200 and 400 are typically expressed in a given cell type (1–3). Quantitative measurement of kinase activity is of critical importance in numerous biological applications, including studies of cellular signaling, cancer biomarker discovery, and drug development. An ideal strategy for functional kinase analysis must combine an active state kinase enrichment component and a methodology to quantify their levels of activation, since kinase regulation is a major determinant of cellular function and disease phenotypes.

We and other groups have previously reported on the development and use of Multidrug Inhibitor Beads (MIB) strategy for active kinase enrichment (4–8). In this approach, kinase affinity enrichment scaffolds based on known kinase inhibitor structures targeted to conformationally active kinases are chemically coupled to a resin, which is used to capture broad classes of kinases from cell lysates (see recent review of this and related approaches by Daub (4)). When coupled to quantitative mass spectrometry-based proteomics, MIB enrichment can be used to determine kinase inhibitor specificity by comparing relative abundances of particular kinases enriched from drug treated and untreated samples or to study kinase activation dynamics as response to clinical therapy or various biological perturbations. For

example, MIB experiments have demonstrated on-target suppression of kinase activity and activation of compensatory kinase signaling pathways driving resistance to therapy in triple negative breast cancer (5), drug-resistant leukemia (6), and ERBB2-positive breast cancer (7).

Despite significant kinase enrichment afforded by MIB, the eluates are still highly complex peptide mixtures in which reliable quantitative detection of low-abundance species remains challenging. To date, several workflows focused on this task have been described. Typically, around 110-125 kinases can be uniquely quantified by DDA LC-MS/MS in any single MIB enrichment with stringent exclusion of peptides shared by multiple kinases. In addition, isobaric tags for relative and absolute quantitation (iTRAQ) (9), have been used downstream of MIB enrichment. However, this particular strategy suffers from non-uniform labeling efficiency and artificial compression of measured peptide ratios (10) and requires sample fractionation prior to MS analysis for adequate kinome coverage (5).

Finally, selected reaction monitoring (SRM) is an established technique which allows quantitation of a selected set of desired target peptides with improved sensitivity of detection compared to DDA LC- MS/MS (11). For example, application of an SRM method downstream of ActiveX, a related total kinase enrichment strategy employing ADP and ATP analogs (12) allowed quantitation of 132 of 196 targeted kinases represented by 790 unique peptides (13). However, current SRM approaches require sufficient sample to carry out multiple runs of the same sample using conventional chromatography in order to overcome multiplexing limits and achieve broad kinase coverage. Given the pitfalls of the current approaches, development of an improved strategy for one-shot label-free MS quantitation in complex biological mixtures, including MIB-enriched samples, is necessary.

Parallel reaction monitoring (PRM) is a recently introduced targeted proteomic methodology that

takes advantage of the unique capabilities of quadrupole-Orbitrap mass spectrometers (14, 15). PRM provides improved sensitivity, reproducibility, and quantitative dynamic range compared to the techniques described above. Like the older SRM methodology (11), PRM relies on scheduled precursor peptide selection by a quadrupole followed by analysis of fragment ions. However, unlike SRM where a few individual fragments are analyzed sequentially using low-resolution quadrupole-based measurement, PRM utilizes the Orbitrap to record full-range high mass resolution and high mass accuracy MS2 spectra. Thus, use of high resolution in selection of target precursor ions is coupled with high-accuracy MS2-level quantitation resulting in greatly improved specificity of detection. Additionally, evaluation of the PRM advantages for complex peptides mixtures has established that it achieves lower limits of detection and quantification than SRM (14, 15), making it particularly useful for analysis of unfractionated biological samples such as whole cell lysates.

Despite these inherent advantages of PRM, its multiplexing capacity, i.e. the ability to detect multiple targets simultaneously, remains a significant limitation of the technique. Detection of more than a few hundred targets, or roughly 100 proteins, in a single PRM run has been difficult to achieve in a reproducible and robust manner. Although a strategy for improved PRM multiplexing that takes advantage of real-time detection of synthetic isotope-labeled (SIL) peptide standards has been recently proposed (16), its utility is limited in applications where having a SIL standard for each target peptide is not practical, most notably in detection of peptides with post-translational modifications. Therefore, alternative strategies for improved PRM multiplexing that would allow a wider adoption of the methodology for large-scale quantitative targeted proteomic applications are needed.

Recently, remarkable gains in sensitivity and depth of peptide/protein detection have been achieved for DDA LC-MS/MS through the use of meter-scale monolithic silica-C18 silica

capillary columns with ultra- long (up to 24-hr) chromatographic gradients (17, 18). This approach is the current state of the art in chromatographic separation capabilities available for one-shot proteomics. Given the superb separation characteristics of the monolithic silica-C18 columns in long reverse phase chromatographic gradients (19, 20), we sought to exploit the performance characteristic of monolithic silica-C18 columns to greatly increase PRM multiplexing and evaluate the effectiveness of this strategy by specifically detecting activated kinases downstream of MIB enrichment (Figure 1).



Figure 1: MIB-PRM workflow. Undigested protein lysate is passed through a gravity layered multidrug inhibitor beads column. Broad classes of activated kinases are preferentially enriched in the eluate. A tryptic digest of the eluate is loaded on a meter-scale monolithic silica-C18 column and resolved using a 6-hr reverse phase chromatography gradient at a constant temperature of 40 °C. Online targeted detection of endogenous kinases by a highly multiplexed label-free PRM method provides high sensitivity and specificity of detection compatible with automated data processing.

Results

Monolithic silica-C18 column performance in 6-hr DDA gradients

As the first step toward developing a highly multiplexed PRM pipeline, we examined the

performance of a 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column in a variety of conditions by considering three factors: estimating its peak capacity (PC), peak width, retention time (RT) reproducibility, and sensitivity of detection (Figure 2). PC is defined as the number of elution peaks that can be separated from baseline over the total duration of a given gradient. RT refers to the elapsed time between sample injection and detection of a given peak.

Temperature is an important determinant of separation efficiency in reverse phase chromatography and ion spray performance, where even small changes in temperature can introduce significant variation in RTs of individual analytes (21, 22). Thus, we evaluated the performance of the monolithic column at different temperatures. For this purpose, a tryptic digest of mouse bone marrow lysate was used in triplicate DDA runs employing 6-hr HPLC gradients while maintaining the column at 25 °C, 40 °C, 60 °C, or 80 °C. In general, peak widths (Figure 2a) and PCs (Figure 2b) observed were similar to the results previously reported for the meter-scale monolithic silica-C18 columns (19). Only minor changes in peak width and PC were observed as a function of temperature. However, the number of identified proteins and peptides was clearly superior at 40 °C (3,384 proteins/21,263 peptides), with more than doubling of identified peptides compared to 25 °C (2,262 proteins/9,537 peptides). Therefore, we chose 40 °C cas the standard monolithic column temperature for the remainder of this study.





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Figure 2: Performance characteristics of a meter-scale monolithic silica-C18 column desirable for targeted proteomic applications. Tryptic digest of mouse bone marrow lysate was separated on the 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column at 25, 40, 60, and 80 °C and analyzed by LC-MS/MS. (a) Peak width as a function of gradient time is calculated as a running median of full width at half maximum. (b) Peak capacity as a function of gradient time is calculated as the running median of peak width divided by gradient duration. (c) Number of peptides and proteins identified at each temperature. (d) Triplicate runs of the mouse bone marrow lysate sample were performed on the 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column (at 40 °C) and 50 cm C18 silica particle-packed column (at 45 °C). Histogram of RT standard deviations for peptides identified in all replicates is plotted.

We next examined RT reproducibility, a prerequisite for high multiplexing, on the monolithic silica-C18 column as compared to a conventional C18 silica particle-packed column. The same biological sample was analyzed in triplicate on the monolithic column at 40 °C and on a widely used 50 cm Thermo EasySpray C18 silica particle-packed column maintained at 45 °C (previously identified as the optimal temperature, data not shown) using the same gradient (Figure 2d). Results obtained using the monolithic column established significantly lower RT variability. RT standard deviations under 3 min were documented for over 95% of all identified peptides, while on the packed column, close to 50% of peptides had RT standard deviations above 3 minutes (t-test p <1e-15). Consistent with prior reports (19), approximately 25% more proteins and peptides were identified on the monolithic silica-C18 column compared to the C18 silica particle-packed column (Appendix 2, Figure S1). Both improved sensitivity, as indicated by the increased depth of peptide detection, and lower RT variability afforded by the monolithic silica-C18 column are very desirable characteristics for developing highly multiplexed 16 targeted proteomic applications. In particular, based on the observed low RT variability characteristic of the monolithic column, we deduced that target detection windows of +/-4 minutes would permit the detection of well over 95% of target peptides in a PRM assay.

PRM multiplexing with monolithic silica-C18 columns

Based on our experience and consistent with prior reports (14, 15), optimal PRM sensitivity in complex biological samples on currently available instruments such as Q Exactive Plus (Thermo) requires Orbitrap injection times between 100 and 300 ms. Assuming a cycle time of 6 s, where cycle time is the time delay between adjacent MS2 scans of the same target peptide, is required for 5 measurements over a 30 s elution peak and injection time of 120 ms, no more than 50 targets can be scheduled at any given time (Appendix 2, Figure S2). Furthermore, based on the typical distributions of overlapping target detection windows in the long gradient

runs of complex peptide digests, we estimated that use of target windows of +/-4 minutes (see above) would be adequate to permit scheduling of around 1,000 target peptides in a single run.

To test this possibility, we used a subset of peptides identified in the DDA runs of the mouse bone marrow lysate sample to schedule a highly multiplexed PRM assay (Figure 3). In order to minimize bias for high abundance targets, all detected proteins belonging to Gene Ontology (GO) (23) category "cellular process" were included, independent of the observed intensity in the DDA runs. A total of 1067 target peptides from 325 proteins were selected and scheduled for detection by a single PRM method with variable length detection windows ranging from +/-3.8 min in the most complex part of the gradient (150-350 min) up to +/-8 min in the less complex tail portions (<150 min and >350 min) (Figure 3a). PRM was performed on the same mouse sample and using the same LC gradient as in the DDA runs. Spectra were analyzed with Skyline software, which allows automated detection of extracted MS2 chromatographic peaks (24). Three metrics available in Skyline to monitor specificity of target detection (25) were used to assess the quality of all peaks auto-detected by the software. The distributions of library dot product, a measure of similarity between the observed MS2 spectra and those in the reference DDA library, showed that over 90% of peptides had a dot product > 0.5, where a perfect match equals 1. The distribution of peaks found ratio, the fraction of MS2 component peaks detected of those monitored by PRM, showed that over 95% of peptides had a peaks found ratio > 0.6 (Figure 3b). The high median library dot product and peaks found ratios support a high overall specificity of detection. Similarly, fragment ion mass error distribution demonstrated that more than 90% of all detected peaks were within +/-20 ppm of expected (Figure 3c). Based on these results, we chose a combination of the following three parameters as the threshold for classifying a given target peptide as successfully detected: library dot product > 0.5, peak found ratio > 0.5, and mass error < +/-20 ppm.





Figure 3: Highly multiplexed label-free PRM is achieved with long gradient chromatography on meter- scale monolithic silica-C18 column. 1,067 peptides from 325 mouse proteins belonging to GO category "Cellular Process" were included in a single PRM method utilizing a 6-hr reverse phase chromatography gradient on the 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column. Tryptic digest of the mouse bone marrow lysate was used to test the method. Data were analyzed in Skyline using automated peak detection. (a) Scheduling diagram shows the expected maximum number of targets as a function of time along the gradient based on the overlap of target detection windows. (b) Distributions of library dot product and peaks found ratio, two metrics of detection specificity calculated by Skyline, are shown as box plots (solid line = median, box = interquartile range, whiskers = 1.5 x interquartile distance, dots = individual observations outside whiskers). (c) Histogram of MS2 fragment mass accuracy in parts per million (ppm) calculated by Skyline. (d-f) Specificity of detection in relationship to protein abundance is estimated by library dot product (d), MS2 fragment mass accuracy (e), and peaks found ratio (f) as a function of peak area.

Employing these strict specificity criteria, a total of 856 target peptides (80%) from 293 proteins (90%) were successfully detected. Considering only these successfully detected peptides and using integrated peak areas as a rough estimate of their abundance, we found no significant

correlation between abundance and library dot product (Figure 3d) or mass error (Figure 3e). However, a trend for lower peak found ratio with decreasing abundance was observed (Figure 3f), consistent with loss of lower- intensity peaks in the MS2 spectra recorded at the limits of detection. Additionally, we saw no apparent relationship between abundance and the number of peptides per protein detected among those scheduled (Appendix 2, Figure S3). A comparison of relative intensities of the MS1 precursor ion intensities obtained in the DDA runs to the measured by PRM total MS2 fragment ion intensities demonstrated that the MS1-level and MS2-level quantitation were highly correlated (Appendix 2, Figure S4). Collectively, these results indicate that PRM multiplexing approaching 1,000 target peptides per single 8-hr (6-hr gradient) run on a 200-cm monolithic silica-C18 column is appropriate for routine quantitative PRM detection of label-free endogenous peptides in complex biological samples, providing high sensitivity and specificity of detection.

Monolithic silica-C18 column-coupled PRM for high-coverage kinase detection after MIB enrichment

Quantitative detection of a broad spectrum of kinase activity is needed for comprehensive studies of cellular signaling mechanisms as well as in cancer biomarker discovery and drug development applications. To achieve high coverage of kinases in a quantitative fashion, we developed and validated a highly multiplexed PRM method for detecting human kinases following MIB kinase enrichment. Target precursors were chosen from DDA spectral libraries representing approximately 150 diverse MIB samples, analyzed in pools of 30 to 40 samples each using a 6-hr gradient on the monolithic silica-C18 column. Initial scheduling runs used two injections per sample with ~465 targets per injection and target windows of +/-10 min. In these runs, detection of up to 79% of target precursors was achieved in several independent pools of approximately 30 unrelated MIB samples each (Appendix 2, Figure S5a). A single-injection method was then created by reducing target windows to +/-3.5 min, which successfully detected

>99% of targets (up to 738 peptides from 152 kinases in a single sample) previously detected by the 2-injection method (Appendix 2, Figures S5b,c). The final method employed a 6-hr gradient on the 200-cm monolithic column and targeted 929 unique precursors (peptides of specific charge) from 182 human kinases. Having validated the efficiency of the MIB-PRM platform for detecting a broad set of kinases, we next sought to use the single injection MIB-PRM method to profile kinase regulation in a biologically relevant context.

MIB-PRM identifies activation of TGF-b signaling as a compensatory response to MAPK signaling blockade

The RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK MAP kinase (MAPK) signaling pathway is an important regulator of cell proliferation and survival (26). Activating driver mutations in the pathway are present in over 20% of all human malignancies, including BRAF mutations in ~60% of melanomas and RAS mutations in ~30% of lung and over 50% of colorectal and pancreatic adenocarcinomas (27, 28). Thus, inhibition of MAPK signaling is of significant therapeutic interest (29, 30). Interestingly, recent studies have shown that different classes of inhibitors of MEK and ERK have varying degrees of effectiveness depending on the oncogenic genotype (31, 32). GDC-0973, or cobimetinib, has demonstrated effectiveness in BRAF V600E melanomas by inhibiting MEK, but it also stabilizes MEK in its active confirmation. In contrast, GDC-0623 also inhibits MEK but preferentially stabilizes its inactive confirmation. As GDC-0973 and GDC-0623 are both allosteric inhibitors of MEK, they are potentially sensitive to signaling bypass mechanisms that occur within complexes containing inhibited MEK, with complex composition and activity often determined by genotype. The stabilization of an inactive confirmation of MEK by GDC-0623 blocks cell growth and disrupts this feedback mechanism effectively in KRAS-mutant cell lines, while GDC-0973 is ineffective in KRAS-mutant cell line models (31). Inhibition of ERK, which has no direct interaction with either RAS or RAF, with SCH772984 shows broad effectiveness in BRAF, NRAS and KRAS mutant cell lines, and MEK-inhibitor resistant cells

(32). Given the distinct mechanisms of target inhibition by GDC- 0973, GDC-0623 and SCH772984, we hypothesized that an evaluation of the kinome response to these inhibitors by MIB-PRM, in addition to the known patterns of MEK and ERK activation, would likely highlight unique signatures of kinase response to feedback regulation and crosstalk with other signaling pathways.

We first validated this approach by western blotting for known kinase regulation phenotypes in response to the three inhibitors in HCT116 *KRAS* mutant colorectal cancer cells (Figure 4). As previously reported (31), GDC-0973 maintained MEK phosphorylation, while inhibiting phosphorylation of downstream kinases ERK and RSK. In contrast, GDC-0623 stabilized inactive dephosphorylated form of MEK, while similarly inhibiting phosphorylation of ERK and RSK. SCH772984 eliminated ERK phosphorylation, but feedback activation of MEK was observed (31, 33). We next used the MIB-PRM approach to identify differences in kinome activation in response to the three types of MAPK pathway inhibitors in HCT116 cells.

Figure 4



Figure 4: Three types of selective inhibitors of MAPK signaling produce expected differential kinase inhibition and activation responses in HCT116 colorectal cancer cells. HCT116 cells were treated with 250nM of GDC-0973, GDC-0623, SCH772984 or DMSO for 1, 4, or 24 hours. In the washout samples, cells were drug treated for 24 hours, then changed into fresh media and harvested after 0.5 or 2 hours. Lysates were used for western blots of total and phosphorylated MEK, ERK and RSK; blotting for COX IV was used as the loading control.

The validated single-injection PRM method was used to quantify kinase abundance in the eight experimental samples from 2 biological replicates of 4 experimental conditions. To ensure high specificity, targets were considered successfully detected using the same criteria as those used in the mouse digest highly multiplexed PRM validation experiments with a library dot product > 0.5, peak found ratio > 0.5, and mass error < +/-20 ppm. No additional individual fragment ion filters were used (such as threshold signal-to-noise ratio or coefficient of variance in repeat experiments) based on the observation that total areas (i.e. sum of the peak areas of all detected fragments) and sum area of only the top 3 most intense fragments with highest signal-

to-noise separation are highly correlated (r >0.97) (Appendix 2, Figure S6). Overall, 814 target precursors, 88% of the 929 scheduled, from 154 kinases were quantified (Appendix 2, Figure S7). A lower than 100% detection rate is expected in MIB experiments, given the preferential enrichment of activated kinases and cell- specific variation in expression of individual kinases. Comparison of PRM measurements in biological replicates revealed variable condition-dependent heterogeneity, with correlation coefficients ranging between 0.47 and 0.86 (Appendix 2, Figure S8). This heterogeneity was attributed mainly to biological differences between the samples, given the almost negligible in comparison differences between technical repeats (Appendix 2, Figure S5C). MSStats software (34) was used to normalize the data and assign statistical significance to the observed differences among the three drug conditions and DMSO control (Appendix 2, Figure S9).

As expected, the PRM results demonstrated a highly significant reduction in detectable MAPK1 (ERK2) and MAPK3 (ERK1) following SCH772984 treatment compared to DMSO control (Figure 5a), consistent with inhibition of the two ERK proteins by the compound. Furthermore, increased abundance of MAP2K1 (MEK1) was observed in both GDC-0973 and SCH772984 treatments (Figure 5c), consistent with the concurrent increase in MEK phosphorylation measured by Western blot in these two conditions (Figure 4) and in agreement with prior evidence that both inhibitors induce compensatory activation of MEK1 (31–33). Consistent enrichment of MAP2K1 (MEK1) and MAP2K2 (MEK2) remains an area for further optimization of MIB proteomics and is likely the root cause of the less than statistically significant quantitation of these kinases.

A total of 23 kinases demonstrated significant changes of abundance in MIB eluates as measured by PRM in at least one of the three inhibitor treatments relative to the DMSO control and using a conservative threshold of significance set at log2 fold change of >4 and MSStats estimated p-value of <0.05 (Figure 5b and Appendix 2, Figure S10). Overall, while negative

changes (loss of kinase detection) produced by the three inhibitors were almost entirely nonoverlapping, 5 of 11 kinases that showed significant positive changes (gain of detection) were shared by all three inhibitors. This suggests, that while negative changes reflect largely direct inhibition of target and off-target kinases, positive changes are more likely to represent shared compensatory effects in response to inhibition of MAPK signaling. The data further suggest very high specificity of SCH772984 with only on-target inhibition of MAPK1 and MAPK3 detected, as well as higher specificity of GDC-0623 compared to GDC-0973 based on the higher number of off-target inhibited kinases detected for the latter.

Figure 5

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Figure 5: Highly multiplexed PRM method downstream of MIB kinase enrichment quantifies kinome response to three types of MAPK signaling inhibitors in HCT116 colorectal cancer cells. HCT116 cells were treated with 250nM GDC-0973, GDC-0623, SCH772984 or DMSO for 90 minutes. The lysates were collected and passed over MIB columns. The eluates enriched for activated kinases were digested with trypsin and analyzed by a single PRM method utilizing the long monolithic silica-C18 column and targeting 929 precursor peptides from 182 kinases. A total of 814 precursors from 154 kinases were quantified using strict specificity criteria. (a) Abundance of MAPK1 (ERK2), MAPK3 (ERK1) and MAP2K1 (MEK1) in MIB eluates measured by PRM are plotted as log2 ratios to DMSO control. (b) All kinases with statistically significant

inhibition or activation relative to DMSO control were ordered by hierarchical clustering of the corresponding log2 ratios. (c) HCT116 cells were treated with 250nM of GDC-0973, GDC-0623, SCH772984 or DMSO for 90 minutes, or with TGF-b at 50 pg/mL for 30 minutes, followed by western blotting.

Among the kinases with shared activation in response to the three inhibitors of MAPK signaling in the HCT116 cells were TGF-b superfamily receptors TGF-b receptor 1 (TGFBR1), activin receptor type 1B (ACTR1B), and bone morphogenic protein receptor type 1A (BMPR1A). These closely related receptors are activated upon binding of TGF-b and TGF-b-like ligands and are involved in diverse cellular processes such as cell migration and differentiation in response to paracrine signals (35). All three receptors function through downstream activation of SMAD2/3 and/or SMAD1/5 pathways, depending on cell type-specific context (36, 37). In our experiments, the apparent activation of all three receptors (TGFBR1, ACTR1B, and BMPR1A) was observed by PRM in response to GDC-0623 and SCH772984 and was accompanied by a concurrent increase in phosphorylation of SMAD2 (Figure 5c). In contrast, GDC- 0973 treatment resulted in activation of TGFBR1 and ACTR1B but not BMPR1A, and no changes in SMAD2 phosphorylation were observed. Phosphorylation of SMAD1, SMAD5, and SMAD9 was not affected by any of the inhibitors (Figure 5c). Previously, increased expression of TGF-b was shown to be a predictor of recurrence and metastasis in colorectal cancer (CRC) (38). It is also known that activation of TGF-b signaling leads to SMAD-independent activation of MAPK signaling in multiple systems (39, 40). In this light, our findings suggest that activation of TGF-b signaling is a compensatory mechanisms that in addition to downstream activation of SMAD2 may include a SMAD-independent effect aimed at restoring MAPK signaling in the context of MAPK signaling blockade in these KRAS-dependent cells.

Discussion

We have developed a strategy for highly multiplexed PRM relying on ultra-long monolithic silica-C18 column based liquid chromatography and demonstrated its utility by quantifying the activity

of a broad segment of the human kinome in vivo in response to kinase inhibitor therapy. By coupling MIB with highly-multiplexed PRM, we eliminate the need for isobaric tagging reagents and off-line sample fractionation prior to LC-MS/MS, while maintaining broad coverage and highly specific, reproducible and sensitive quantitation.

Higher kinome detection coverage of up to 260 kinases by DDA LC-MS/MS has been reported in proof- of-principle experiments on pooled lysates comprised of diverse cell lines using *kinobead* enrichment approach (41), a strategy similar to MIB that is not activity-dependent. However, consistent and specific quantitation at such high kinome coverage has not been demonstrated in practical biological applications employing a single cell type. With the ability to specifically target kinases for quantitation across a large dynamic range, MIB-PRM has the advantage of higher sensitivity, reproducibility and quantitative accuracy in realistic biological applications.

A recently published report by Ruprecht et al. calls into question the reliability of MIB enrichment as a functional readout of kinase activity (42). In this work, the authors compare the state of kinase activation inferred from phosphorylation changes of the downstream substrate sites measured by phosphoproteomics to the patterns of kinase enrichment following MIB. We agree with the authors that MIB enrichment is not as comprehensive or sensitive as phosphoproteomics in detecting kinase activity changes. However, based on our experience and consistent with the authors' findings, the changes in kinase regulation that are detected by MIB are typically in good agreement with those observed by phosphoproteomics. Therefore, based on our studies, MIB strategy remains a biologically relevant assay of kinase activity, albeit less sensitive than phosphoproteomics. The MIB platform can also be preferable in applications where phosphoproteomics are not feasible, e.g. the workflow used by Ruprecht et al. required metabolic isotopic protein labeling by SILAC (43) and extensive offline fractionation

of the digested lysates prior to LC-MS/MS analysis.

We used the MIB-PRM approach to study the effects of MAPK signaling inhibition by two MEK inhibitors, GDC-0973 and GDC-0623, the former being less potent in mutant *KRAS* driven cells, and an ERK inhibitor, SCH772984, in *KRAS*-mutant HCT116 colorectal cancer cells and found that all three inhibitors produced activation of TGF-b family of receptors. While GDC-0623 and SCH772984 led to activation of TGFBR1, ACTR1B and BMPR1A with concurrent activation of SMAD2; GDC-0973 treatment resulted in activation of only TGFBR1 and ACTR1B (not BMPR1A), and no activation of SMAD2 was observed. Given prior evidence of SMAD-independent MAPK activation downstream of TGF-b signaling (39, 40), we hypothesize that the observed activation of TGF-b signaling might be a compensatory mechanism either partially or primarily aimed at SMAD-independent MAPK signaling activation upstream of RAS to counteract MAPK blockade produced by the inhibitors. These results provide further support for the argument that combination therapy with MAPK and TGF-b inhibitors may have potential benefits in the treatment of KRAS-driven cancers (44, 45).

In this report, we demonstrate the utility of a meter-scale monolithic silica-C18 column in targeted proteomic applications. Long monolithic silica-C18 columns have been previously shown to be highly effective in achieving unprecedented chromatographic separation of peptides in complex biological samples in long (>6 hr) gradients, enabling near-proteome-scale protein detection in one-shot DDA proteomics applications (18). Here, we used the superior chromatographic characteristics of the long monolithic silica-C18 columns, specifically high peak capacity and low RT variability, to address one of the principal challenges of PRM – its limited multiplexing capacity.

Furthermore, we demonstrate the feasibility of targeting approximately 1,000 endogenous target precursors with expected detection of over 85% in a single 8-hr PRM run in routine applications

not employing SIL standard peptides. Previously, Burgess et al., used an in-house 30 cm C18 silica particle- packed column with a 3-hr reverse phase gradient to test an 800-plex SRM assay to detect 400 heavy and 262 counterpart light SIL peptides (46). A total of 257 peptide pairs (514 total precursors) were detected in that effort, effectively defining the practical limits of SRM multiplexing. More recently, Gallien et al. addressed the limits of PRM multiplexing using a novel approach in which detection of endogenous target peptides is aided by real-time detection of spiked in SIL standard peptides, which once detected trigger on the fly adjustments to OrbitrapTM injection time, scan resolution, and target window duration to maximize sensitivity and minimize overlap between multiple windows (47). This so- called standard-triggered PRM used 600 SIL standard peptides and was capable of detecting up to 300 corresponding unlabeled endogenous peptides in serum samples run on a conventional 15 cm C18 silica particle-packed column with a 66-min reverse phase HPLC gradient.

Although, this approach is perfectly suited for clinical and other analytical applications for which synthesis of SIL peptides is warranted, many biological applications in targeted proteomics would not be feasible if SIL standards were required for each desired target. Not using SIL standards in PRM applications puts particular emphasis on specificity of detection and reliability of automated peak detection. We have demonstrated that high specificity can be achieved via use of high-resolution discovery spectral libraries for accurate RT scheduling followed by application of high-stringency criteria that simultaneously ensure similarity with reference spectra, acceptable fraction of MS2 peaks detected, and high mass accuracy during routine automated analysis in Skyline (24). Furthermore, the general PRM workflow and data analysis strategy illustrated above do not require any custom software or hardware beyond a PRM-enabled instrument, making it straight-forward to implement in most proteomic labs. It should be acknowledged that workflows incorporating very long chromatographic gradients, such as the 6-hr gradient used here, present a significant demand on instrument time and are

not practical in all PRM applications. The proposed workflow is chiefly intended to overcome the scan time limitations of the existing Quadrupole-Orbitrap instruments in order to achieve the highest possible multiplexing capacity in PRM runs. Coupled with the higher sensitivity of detection stemming from the superior separation achieved in the long gradients on the monolithic silica-C18 column, the described workflow is particularly beneficial in the most demanding applications characterized by high sample complexity, low starting protein amounts prohibiting multiple injections, and a desire for the highest possible target multiplexing.

The demonstrated high degree of PRM multiplexing without SIL standards, combined with high detection specificity achieved by routine automated data processing and the inherent highly quantitative nature of the methodology, opens unprecedented possibilities for biological applications. In particular, we foresee the strategy applied to large scale screens of protein function in hundreds of proteins simultaneously. In addition to the MIB platform described above, other kinase enrichment modalities would benefit from downstream PRM detection (4). Other attractive targets include functional classes of proteins that can be enriched via biochemical or biophysical methods, including transcription factors and other nucleic acid binding proteins, proteins restricted to specific subcellular compartments, or specialized extracellular structures. In addition, the approach is perfectly suited for studies of signaling regulation by post-translational modifications (PTM) in large signaling networks. For example, phosphorylation states at many hundreds of sites in hundreds of proteins can be quantified by highly multiplexed PRM following phosphopeptide enrichment. The approach is also well suited for "one-shot targeted proteomics" applications that require flexible on-demand detection of hundreds of precursors relevant to a specific biological question in minute samples such as fluorescence sorted subpopulations of specialized cells, difficult-to-scale organoid cultures, or amount-limited clinical materials.

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Experimental Procedures

Online liquid chromatography

A prototype 200 cm fused silica monolithic silica-C18 column, 100 mm inner diameter, was used in all experiments. Columns with essentially identical characteristics are now available commercially from GL Sciences (Tokyo, Japan). Liquid chromatography was performed on a Waters NanoAcquity UPLC system (Waters, USA). The column was maintained at a constant temperature using Eppendorf CH30 column heater with TC50 temperature controller (Eppendorf, USA). Reverse phase 6-hr gradients for both DDA and PRM runs on the monolithic column were performed with a binary buffer system using 0.1% formic acid in water (buffer A) and 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile (buffer B) as follows: load at 2% B at 600 nL/min for 20 min; gradient with 2-25% B over 288 min at 400 nL/minà25-32% B over 36 min at 400 nL/minà32-40% B over 18 min at 400 nL/minà40-60% B for 18 min at 400 nL/min; wash at 60-80% B over 10 min at 400 nL/min; equilibrate at 2% B at 600 nL/min. Six-hour gradients on the EasySpray 50 cm column (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA) were performed as above, except the flow rate was maintained at 200 nL/min to adjust for high column back pressure according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

DDA mass spectrometry

Q Exactive Plus instrument (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA) was used in Full-MS/ddMS2 mode with one survey scan (350-1500 m/z, R=70,000 at 200 m/z, AGC target of 3e6), followed by up to 10 data- dependent HCD MS2 scans (AGC target of 5e4, max IT 120 ms, R=17,500 at 200 m/z, isolation window 4.0 m/z, NCE 25%, 4% underfill ratio, and 10 s dynamic exclusion). Mouse bone marrow lysate sample was loaded at 100 ng per injection.

PRM mass spectrometry

Q Exactive Plus instrument (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA) was used in PRM mode with the following parameters: positive polarity, R=17,500 at 200 m/z, AGC target 1e6, maximum IT 190 ms, MSX count 1, isolation window 3.0 m/z, NCE 35%. Mouse bone marrow lysate sample was loaded at 100 ng per injection. MIB pooled samples were loaded at 500 ng per injection. Experimental MIB enriched samples from HCT116 cells were loaded at estimated 200-500 ng per injection based on historical average yields determined in pooled samples using Peirce BCA protein assay kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific).

Mouse bone marrow lysate preparation and tryptic digest

Bone marrow cells were harvested by needle aspiration from femora and tibiae of wildtype C57BL/6 mice, snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen. Frozen cell pellets containing approximately 1×10e8 cells were resuspended in 0.5 ml of TRIzol reagent (Thermo Fisher Scientific) and protein extraction was carried out according to the standard manufacturer's protocol. Precipitated protein pellets were washed with ethanol and vacuum-dried briefly. The pellets were reconstituted in 300 μ L of 8 M urea, 0.2 % Zwittergent 3-16 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology), and 50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0. Twelve μ L of 100 mM DTT were added and samples vortexed for 30 min at room temperature. The pellets were dissolved by microtip soniction (30 sec on/30 sec off on ice x3). Eighteen μ L of 100 mM iodoacetamide was added, followed by water bath sonication for 30 min at room temperature. Two μ L of resuspended protein sample were

quantified using Pierce BCA protein assay kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific) according to the standard manufacturer's protocol. Sample was diluted by adding 1.2 mL of 50 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM CaCl2 (pH 8.0), and pH was adjusted to 8.0. Sequencing grade trypsin (Promega) was added at a ratio of 1:50 (trypsin/protein), and the samples were incubated with gentle agitation at 37°C overnight. Approximately 10 μ L of formic acid per 1 mL of sample was added to adjust pH to ~3.5. Digested peptides were desalted with Sep-Pak C18 cartridges (Waters) according to the manufacturer's protocol, dried to remove solvent under vacuum centrifugation, and stored at -80°C for further use.

Cell culture and kinase inhibitor treatments

HCT116 cells obtained from the ATCC (www.atcc.org) were cultured in DMEM supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum. GDC-0973, GDC-0623 and SCH772984 were purchased from Selleckchem (www.selleckchem.com). For time course experiments, cells were grown in 6 cm dishes until near confluency, then treated for the indicated time and dose. For MIB experiments, cells were plated in 15 cm plates and grown to near confluency, then treated with drug or equivalent amounts of DMSO for 90 minutes. Cells were washed twice with phosphate buffered saline (PBS) then harvested by scrapping cells into PBS and centrifuging for 5 minutes at 300 xg and 4 °C yielding pellets of ~0.5 mL, and the cell pellets were snap frozen.

Cell lysate preparation and western blotting

Cells were diluted in 3-5x pellet volume of lysis buffer (50mM HEPES pH 7.5, 150mM NaCl, 0.5% Trition X-100, 1mM EDTA, 1mM EGTA) with PhosStop phosphatase and cOmplete protease inhibitor cocktails (Roche). Cells were lysed on ice using two 3-second pulses in a water bath sonicator. Lysates were spin cleared and protein concentration was checked by a BCA assay (Thermo Fisher Scientific). For immunobloting the following antibodies from Cell Signaling Technology were used: MEK (4694), phospho-MEK (Ser217/221, 9154), ERK (9102),

phospho-ERK (Thr202/Tyr 204, 9106), RSK1 (8408), phospho-RSK (Ser380, 9341), Ret (14556), phospho-Ret (Tyr905, 3221), COX IV (4844), SMAD2 (5339), phospho-SMAD2 (Ser465/467, 3108), SMAD1 (6944), phospho SMAD1/5 (Ser463/465, 5753), and phospho-SMAD1/5/9 (Ser463/465/467, 13820).

MIB kinase enrichment and tryptic digestion

Compounds for Multiplex inhibitor beads were synthesized or commercially purchased and conjugated to resin as previously described(8). 10mg of total protein per condition from lysed cell pellets was diluted to 10mL final volume in high salt buffer (50mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.5% Triton X-100, 1M NaCl, 1mM EDTA, 1mM EGTA) containing protease and phosphatase inhibitors (Roche). Lysates were pre-cleared over unconjugated resin in a gravity column before passing onto the MIB gravity column. The MIB column was prepared by layering 50-100uL slurry of each individual inhibitor-conjugated bead in BioRad Poly-Prep Chromatography Columns with a 10 mL reservoir and 2mL bed volume (BioRad, 731-1550). For binding and washing, a 26-guage needle was placed on the outlet of the MIB column to slow the flow rate. We estimate the flow rate to be around 0.3 mL/min. Lysate-bound columns were washed with 10mL high salt buffer, 10mL low salt lysis buffer (50 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.5% Triton X-100, 150 mM NaCl, 1mM EDTA, 1mM EGTA) and lastly 1mL of low salt buffer with 0.1% SDS. Samples were eluted off the MIB column with 2x incubations at 100°C for 5 minutes with 0.5mL of elution buffer (0.5% SDS, 1%BME in 0.1M Tris-HCl ph 6.8). Samples were reduced with 5mM DTT at 55°C for 30 min and alkylated at room temperature with 10mM iodoacetimide for 45 minutes in the dark. Samples were spin concentrated to 100 uL using Amicon Ultra 10KDa centrifugal filters (Milipore). Proteins from the concentrated eluate were precipitated using a methanolchloroform extraction, suspended in 75 uL of 50mM ammonium bicarbonate and digested overnight with 3 ug sequencing grade modified trypsin (Promega, V5113). Samples were acidified to pH 3 with formic acid, desalted with C18 ZipTips (Millipore), speedvac evaporated to

dryness and stored at -80°C until resuspension in 0.1% formic acid for MS analysis.

Data analysis

1. Performance of monolithic silica-C18 column by DDA MS

Raw data files of the mouse bone marrow lysate runs at 25, 40, 60 and 80 °C were converted to peak files using PAVA (21) and searched in Protein Prospector (48, 49) version 5.14.0 against UniprotKB mouse proteome database (50) downloaded on 09/18/13 (51,219 protein entries) and corresponding random concatenated decoy database with default "ESI-Q-high-res" parameters, including trypsin as the protease, up to one allowed missed cleavage site, Carbamidomethyl-C constant modification, default variable modifications (Acetyl (Protein Nterm); Acetyl+Oxidation (Protein N-term M); Gln->pyro-Glu (N- term Q); Met-loss (Protein Nterm M); Met-loss+Acetyl (Protein N-term M); Oxidation (M)), up to 3 modifications per peptide, and 20 ppm precursor mass and fragment mass accuracy. False discovery rate of <1% was used as the cutoff for peptide expectation values. The same high-specificity search parameters were used for both monolithic column and EasySpray column runs to minimize inclusion of false positive spectra in the spectral libraries. Spectral libraries of these runs in blib format were generated in Protein Prospector and imported into Skyline v. 3.5 (24). All identified peptides were added as targets in Skyline and raw data imported in MS1 filtering mode with the following settings: only scans within 1.5 min of MS/MS IDs imported, 3 isotope precursor peaks included, and Orbitrap mass analyzer with resolution of 70,000 at 200 m/z. Only peptides identified by the search engine in all runs were retained for further consideration. Peak widths were exported from Skyline as full width at half maximum (FWHM), and median peak widths as a function of the gradient time were calculated by binning peptides into RT windows of 30 minutes. Similarly, median peak capacity as a function of the gradient time was calculated as median peak widths within 30 min windows divided by the total gradient time, defined as the time between the earliest and the latest identified peptides. Retention time reproducibility was determined by
evaluating RT standard deviations among triplicate runs of the bone marrow lysate sample at 40 °C.

2. PRM multiplexing in mouse bone marrow lysate

Spectral library generated in the DDA experiments was used as the reference library in Skyline. Target proteins were chosen based on the GO (23) category "Cellular Process". Up to 8 target peptides per protein were included by matching to the spectral library if the following criteria were met: RT standard deviation in the triplicate DDA runs is less than 2 min, peptide does not share identity with any other protein in the human SwissProt database (51), peptide length is between 9 and 26 residues, and no more than one miscleavage site is present. Up to 10 most intense y and b ions (with preference for y ions) were chosen as monitored transitions. A total of 1067 target peptides from 325 proteins were selected. Target RT for each peptide was the average RT from the triplicate DDA experiments. RT target windows were set at +/- 8 min between minutes 0 and 150, +/- 3.8 min between minutes 150 and 350 and -5/+6 min after minute 350. Larger windows at the tails of the gradient were used to accommodate greater degree of RT variation in those areas and were possible due to lower numbers of eluting precursors in these regions. Raw data files were imported into Skyline for automated peak detection using "targeted" MS/MS filtering mode with mass analyzer set to Orbitrap, R=17,000 at 200 m/z. Total peak area (sum of areas of all transition peaks), library dot product, peaks found ratio, and MS2 fragment mass accuracy were calculated by Skyline and used to generate the plots in Figure 3 (b-f). Skyline document with PRM data collected in mouse bone marrow lysate is available on Panorama Web (52), dataset ID 2980 (https://panoramaweb.org/labkey/targetedms/UCSF-MSF/MIB-

PRM%20paper/showPrecursorList.view?id=2980).

3. PRM method for kinase detection

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Approximately 150 MIB individual samples from prior unrelated diverse experiments in human cell lines were combined into four pools of 30-40 samples in each. The pools were separately analyzed using DDA runs on the Q Exactive instrument equipped with the monolithic silica-C18 column. Raw data files were converted to peak files using PAVA (53) and searched in Protein Prospector (48, 49)version 5.14.0 against human SwissProt database (51), downloaded on 07/29/2013 (39,457 entries), and corresponding random concatenated decoy database with default "ESI-Q-high-res" parameters. Protein Prospector search parameters were as above. FDR of <0.2% was used as the cutoff for peptide expectation values to ensure specificity. Spectral libraries of these runs in *blib* format were generated in Protein Prospector and imported into Skyline v. 3.5 (25). Raw data files have been uploaded to the ProteomeXchange Consortium (http://proteomecentral.proteomexchange.org) via the MassIVE partner repository (http://massive.ucsd.edu/ProteoSAFe/static/massive.jsp) with the data set identifiers PXD003934 and MSV000079644, respectively.

Target peptides matching a list of 509 human kinases (1) were selected from the discovery spectral library; only canonical splicing isoforms were included. All unique peptides, i.e. those that do not share identity with any other human protein in SwissProt database (downloaded on 07/29/2013; 39,457 entries), were initially selected. PTM-containing peptides were excluded. Given the high degree of conservation between kinases within individual families, some kinases (13%) could not be represented by more than one unique peptide. We also included 10 proteins (11 peptides) commonly detected in DDA analyses of human samples to serve as controls for non-specific carry-over during MIB enrichment (Supplementary Table 1). For each selected precursor, up to 10 most intense y and b ions (with preference for y ions) were chosen as monitored transitions. Initial scheduling method contained 944 target precursors from 182 proteins, was split into two injections with half of the targets in each, and used variable target detection windows as follows: +/- 20 min between minutes 0 and 150, +/- 10 min between

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minutes 150 and 350 and +/-20 min after minute 350. The method was tested on two independent MIB enriched pools, each combining approximately 30 individual MIB samples. Raw data were imported into Skyline, and positions of auto-detected peaks were checked manually, only 15 of which were clearly erroneous (background noise in the absence of visually identifiable peaks) and were excluded from the final method. The final single-injection method contained 925 precursor peptides from 182 kinases, and used the following target detection windows: +/- 8 min between minutes 0 and 160, +/- 3.5 min between minutes 150 and 350 and +/-8 min after minute 310. The same two pooled MIB samples were used to test the single-injection method. For both two-injection and single-injection methods, precursors were considered successfully detected if Skyline auto-detected peaks satisfied the following criteria: library dot product >0. 5, peaks found ratio >0.5 (with at least 3 fragments detected), and fragment mass error <20 ppm.

4. MIB-PRM experiments in HCT116 cells

The single-injection kinase detection method was used without any modifications on the HCT116 experimental samples. Raw data were imported into Skyline v. 3.5, and auto-detected peaks in each sample were filtered according to the same specificity criteria as above (library dot product >0. 5, peaks found ratio >0.5, and fragment mass error <20 ppm). Successfully detected peaks were used to normalize data by median centering log2 peak areas in each sample to match the global dataset median. Since undetected peaks could mean either biologically relevant depletion in kinase binding or a technical failure of the method to detect the target precursors, the following pre-processing was applied to the undetected peaks. If in a given condition, a precursor was detected in one of two biological replicates, the undetected value was set to the mean of all non-zero observations for that precursor (i.e. lack of detection is likely due to a technical failure and thus its statistical significance is penalized). Log2 peak area of a precursor was set to 1 (a small number not equal 0 to allow calculation of ratios) only if it

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was undetected in both biological replicates of a given condition and only if no other precursor from that kinase was detected in that condition (i.e. lack of detection is likely due to a real biological kinase depletion). This pre-processing strategy is similar to that used for imputing missing values in MSStats (34), except it is more conservative in that it is not applied to all undetected peaks and results in fewer false positives. The number of precursors quantified versus targeted as well as percent imputed measurements for each kinase are listed in Supplementary Table 1. The data were then converted to a matrix of log2 ratios of inhibitor conditions vs DMSO control and analyzed in MSStats version 2.6.0 using no further preprocessing. MSStats input file with PRM measurements listed by precursor and output file with estimated aggregate kinase abundances are available as Supplementary Files 1 and 2, respectively; Skyline report with PRM measurements by transitions is available as Supplementary File 3 (see Supplementary Data). Based on the distributions of log2 ratios and corresponding p-values calculated by MSStats for each inhibitor condition, a conservative cutoff of |log2 ratio| > 4 and p-value < 0.05 was chosen to identify the most significant observations. Heat map diagram of kinases with statistically significant inhibition or activation was constructed by clustering all kinases with a statistically significant log2 ratio in at least one of the three inhibitor conditions. Complete linkage clustering using city block distance and image generation were performed in GENE-E software (http://www.broadinstitute.org/cancer/software/GENE-E/). Skyline document with PRM data collected in MIB samples, pool injections and HCT116 experiments, is available on Panorama Web, dataset ID 2979 (https://panoramaweb.org/labkey/targetedms/UCSF- MSF/MIB-

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Appendix 1

Substrates of TAK1 identified by covalent capture

Accession	Gene	Peptide	Protein.Mods
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Q9NYB9	ABI2	HSPYRTLEPVRPPVVPNDYVPSPTR	Phospho@200=17
Q9P2A4	ABI3	VVTLYPYTSQK	Phospho@315;Phospho@320;Phospho@321
P60709	ACTB	VAPEEHPVLLTEAPLNPK	Phospho@106
P60709	ACTB	SYELPDGQVITIGNER	Phospho@249=46
P60709	ACTB	IWHHTFYNELR	Phospho@89
P60709	ACTB	AVFPSIVGRPR	Phospho@33
P60709	ACTB	EITALAPSTMK	Phospho@318=78;Oxidation@325
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P60709	ACTB	RGILTLK	Phospho@66
P63261	ACTG1	EITALAPSTMK	Phospho@318=65;Oxidation@325
P63261	ACTG1	SYELPDGQVITIGNER	Phospho@249=57
P63261	ACTG1	EITALAPSTMK	Phospho@324=6;Oxidation@325
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P63261	ACTG1	IWHHTFYNELR	Phospho@89
P63261	ACTG1	RGILTLK	Phospho@66
P63261	ACTG1	VAPEEHPVLLTEAPLNPK	Phospho@106
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P46821	MAP1B	ITSFPESEGYSYETSTKTTR	Phospho@2028 2029 2031
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Q15691	MAPRE1	KPLTSSSAAPQRPISTQR	Phospho@155 156 157 165 166
Q15691	MAPRE1	KPLTSSSAAPQRPISTQR	Phospho@154 155 156 157 165 166
Q15691	MAPRE1	KPLTSSSAAPQRPISTQR	Phospho@165 166
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O15021	MAST4	SFSCLNRSLSSGESLPGSPTHSLSPR	96
P43243	MATR3	SATREPPYRVPR	Phospho@164 166 Phospho@1318&1320 1318&1321 1318&1322 1318&13
Q9P267	MBD5	QSRGFGELLSTAKQDLVLEEQSPSSSNSLENSLVK	24 Phospho@166=27:Phospho@168=18:Phospho@172=1
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Q03164	MLL	KGLVFEISSDDGFQICAESIEDAWKSLTDK	Phospho@3674&3692 3674&3694 3675&3692
Q99547	MPHOSPH6	RYETLVGTIGKK	Phospho@120=47
Q9NRX2	MRPL17	RDSHLTLLNQLLQGLR	Phospho@140=11
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O94776	MTA2	GHLSRPEAQSLSPYTTSANR	Phospho@439=7
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O14786	NRP1	IESPGYLTSPGYPHSYHPSEK	Phospho@40=13
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Q9ULJ1	ODF2L	ELERVCDSLTAAER	Phospho@471 473
Q9UKZ4	ODZ1	ILENGVNVTVSQMTSVLNGRTRR	Phospho@2610=7;Phospho@2609 2616
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Q15366	PCBP2	LEEDISSSMTNSTAASRPPVTLR	Oxidation@87;Phospho@86 88
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Q15366	PCBP2	AFAMIIDKLEEDISSSMTNSTAASRPPVTLR	Oxidation@74;Oxidation@87;Phospho@88=9
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O76083	PDE9A	DKVTKATAQIGFIK	Phospho@508;Phospho@511
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P49005	POLD2	VPVATYTNSSQPFR	Phospho@33=9
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	RADIL		
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060504	SOPBS3		Phospho@36013611362
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Q8IYF1	TCEB3B	EGGQAGSGQR	Phospho@290
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P12270	TPR	TVPSTPTLVVPHRTDGFAEAIHSPQVAGVPR	Phospho@2133 2136 2137 2139 2146

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P68363	TUBA1B	TIGGGDDSFNTFFSETGAGKHVPR	Phospho@54 56
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P07437	TUBB	IMNTFSVVPSPK	Oxidation@164;Phospho@166=30
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P07437	TUBB	ALTVPELTQQVFDAK	Phospho@285=23
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Q14157	UBAP2L	IFTASNVSSVPLPAENVTITAGQR	Phospho@275=14
Q13404	UBE2V1	MAATTGSGVKVPR	Met-loss+Acetyl@1;Phospho@5=12
Q8WVY7	UBLCP1	ITFMLDSAAMITVHTPR	Oxidation@210=44;Phospho@218 221
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Q8WUN7	UBTD2	LVVRSTDTVFHMKR	Phospho@173=22;Phospho@170 171
O14795	UNC13B	AGITSAMATRTSLKDEELK	Oxidation@445;Phospho@442 443
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Q4G0F5	VPS26B	TPSQLSDNNCR	Phospho@330=31
Q96N03	VSTM2L	VVGSNISHK	Phospho@121 124
Q9Y6W5	WASF2	EEEVSLQGINTRK	Phospho@96=17
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Q9Y2X9	ZNF281	SSGRR	Phospho@9 14 16 17 20 22 Met
0.01.01.1	71/500/5		loss@1;Oxidation@2;Phospho@26=15;Phospho@13 18
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Q0D2J5	ZNF763	ALSYKFSNTPK	Phospho@382 384

Appendix 2



Supplemental figures in reference to Chapter 5

Figure S1

Figure S1: Peptide and protein detection with 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column and 50 cm C18 silica particle-packed EasySpray column (Thermo). Tryptic digest of a mouse bone marrow lysate (100 ng) was loaded on either monolithic or particle-packed column and resolved using a 6-hr reverse phase gradient with subsequent peptide detection by DDA MS.

Figure S2



Orbitrap Injection Time (ms)

Figure S2: PRM multiplexing limits. PRM cycle times were measured in a set of runs on a Q Exactive Plus instrument (Thermo) with different Orbitrap injection times to estimate the limits of multiplexing. Estimated numbers of targets are plotted as a function of injection time assuming constant cycle times of 3, 6 or 9 seconds.

Figure S3



Figure S3: PRM detection of multiple peptides per protein as a function of protein abundance. Distributions of log2 peak areas, as estimates of protein abundance, are displayed as box plots in bins of increasing ratio of detected vs total scheduled precursors per protein. Bins: 0-0.4; 0.4-0.6; 0.6-0.8; 0.8-1. Solid line = median, box = interquartile range, whiskers = 1.5 x interquartile distance, dots = individual observations outside whiskers.

Figure S4



Figure S4: Comparison of MS1-level and MS2-level quantitation. Bone marrow lysate was analyzed in triplicate by DDA and by high-multiplexing PRM on the 200 cm monolithic silica-C18 column using the same chromatographic gradient. A comparison of log2 transformed MS1 peak areas derived from the DDA runs and MS2 total peak areas (i.e. summed areas of all fragments) measured by PRM is shown.

Figure S5





Kinases were detected by PRM in two independent pools of MIB enriched samples (~30 samples in each pool), first using a two-injection method with ~465 target precursors per injection and +/-10 min target detection windows, followed by a single- injection method using +/-3.5 min windows and targeting 929 precursor peptides from 182 kinases. (**a**) Retention times observed in the two MIB pools (#5 and #6) by the two-injection method are compared using all peaks auto-detected by Skyline and meeting the specificity criteria in both samples. (**b**) Retention times observed in the same MIB pool (#6) by the two- injection method and single-injection method are compared using all peaks auto-detected by Skyline and meeting the specific- ity criteria. (**c**) Peak intensities (log2 peak areas) observed in the same MIB pool (#6) by the two-injection method and single-injection method and single- injection method are compared using all peaks auto-detected by Skyline and meeting the specific- ity criteria. (**c**) Peak intensities (log2 peak areas) observed in the same MIB pool (#6) by the two-injection method and single- injection method are compared using all peaks auto-detected by Skyline and meeting the specificity criteria.

Figure S6



Figure S6: Comparison of PRM quantitation using the total area of all detected fragment ions and that of only top 3 most intense fragment ions. For each precursor, total and top-3

peak areas were calculated in Skyline and plotted for each biological condition. Log2 transformed values are compared.







Histogram of imputation frequency



Figure S7: Kinase detection by PRM.

A total of 814 precursors among 929 targeted were quantified. A conservative preprocessing strategy to impute missing values was used. (a) Distribution of targeted and quantified precursors among individual kinases. (b) Histogram of the frequency of imputed measurements among quantified kinases.

Figure S8



Log2 Total Peak Area (Bio Replicate 2)

Figure S8: Reproducibility of PRM kinase abundance measurements in biological replicates in HCT116 cells treated with MAPK inhibitors or DMSO control. Agreement between log2 total peak areas of individual precursors measured in two biological replicates is shown for each condition.

Figure S9



Figure S9: Volcano plots of PRM measured changes in kinase abundance in MIB eluates in HCT116 cells treated with MAPK inhibitors. Aggregated by kinase normalized log2 ratios for each inhibitor relative to DMSO control and their corresponding p-values were calculated in MSStats. Threshold of significance was defined as |log2 ratio| > 4 (vertical lines) and p-value <0.05 (horizontal line); significant observations are in red.





Figure S10: Statistically significant changes in kinase abundance in MIB eluates in HCT116 cells treated with MAPK inhibitors. All kinases with log2 ratios meeting the significance criteria (red dots in Figure S5) for a given inhibitor are plotted. Bars represent log2 ratios to DMSO control estimated by MSStats, and error bars represent standard deviations of the measured log2 ratios when all precursors in a given kinase and all biological replicates are considered.

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