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Global post-translational modification profiling of HIV-1-infected cells reveals mechanisms of host cellular pathway remodeling

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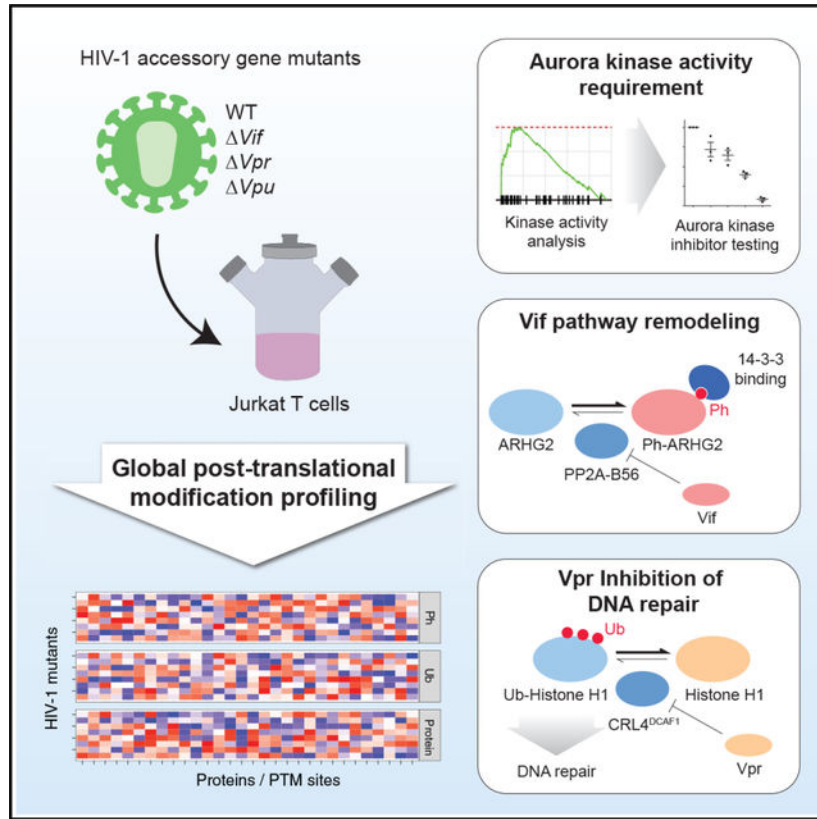
SUMMARY

Viruses must effectively remodel host cellular pathways to replicate and evade immune defenses, and they must do so with limited genomic coding capacity. Targeting post-translational modification (PTM) pathways provides a mechanism by which viruses can broadly and rapidly transform a hostile host environment into a hospitable one. We use mass spectrometry-based proteomics to quantify changes in protein abundance and two PTM types—phosphorylation and ubiquitination—in response to HIV-1 infection with viruses harboring targeted deletions of a subset of HIV-1 genes. PTM analysis reveals a requirement for Aurora kinase activity in HIV-1 infection and identified putative substrates of a phosphatase that is degraded during infection. Finally, we demonstrate that the HIV-1 Vpr protein inhibits histone H1 ubiquitination, leading to defects in DNA repair.

In brief

Johnson et al. describe a quantitative resource of ubiquitination, phosphorylation, and protein abundance changes in cells infected with HIV-1. These data uncover a requirement for Aurora kinase activity in HIV-1 infection and find that the HIV-1 Vpr protein is associated with decreased histone H1 ubiquitination.

Graphical Abstract



INTRODUCTION

The HIV-1 genome encodes several accessory genes that are dispensable for replication in some cell lines but are required *in vivo* for replication and evasion of host antiviral pathways. Three HIV-1 accessory genes, *Vif*, *Vpr*, and *Vpu*, encode proteins that bind to Cullin RING-type E3 ubiquitin ligases (CRLs) to rewire host ubiquitination systems and to antagonize antiviral host pathways (Sauter and Kirschhoff, 2018). The HIV-1 Vif protein binds to the Cullin-5/Elongin-B/Elongin-C (CRL5^{EloB/EloC}) ligase to promote ubiquitination and degradation of APOBEC3 proteins, which otherwise incorporate into HIV-1 virions and inactivate the virus by hypermutation of the viral genome (Harris et al., 2003; Sheehy et al., 2002). Vif also targets the B56 family of protein phosphatase 2A regulatory subunits (PP2A-B56) for ubiquitination and degradation (Greenwood et al., 2016; Salamango and Harris, 2020). PP2A-B56 degradation by Vif is associated with cell-cycle arrest, but the functional relevance and molecular mechanism underlying this process is unknown. The HIV-1 Vpu protein binds to the Cullin-1/Skp1/ β TrCP ligase (SCF ^{β TrCP}) ligase to promote ubiquitination and removal from the cell surface of BST/tetherin, an antiviral protein that inhibits viral budding (Neil et al., 2008). Some lentiviruses encode an additional accessory factor, Vpx, that binds to the Cullin4/DDB1/DCAF1 (CRL4^{DCAF1}) ligase to promote ubiquitination and degradation of the antiviral protein SAMHD1, which impairs viral reverse transcription (Hrecka et al., 2011; Laguette et al., 2011). HIV-2 Vpx also uses CRL4^{DCAF1} to promote ubiquitination and degradation of the HUSH transcriptional silencing complex

that otherwise acts to silence both endogenous and exogenous retroviruses (Chougui et al., 2018; Yurkovetskiy et al., 2018). The HIV-1 Vpr protein also binds to CRL4^{DCAF1}, but it degrades neither SAMHD1 nor HUSH. Many Vpr-CRL4^{DCAF1} substrates have been identified, including the uracil N-glycosylase 2 (UNG2), Mus81 (part of the SLX4 complex), helicase-like transcription factor (HLTF), exonuclease 1 (EXO1), and Tet DNA dioxygenase 2 (TET2) (Laguette et al., 2014; Lahouassa et al., 2016; Lv et al., 2018; Yan et al., 2018). Only TET2 has been demonstrated to rescue a replication defect of Vpr-deficient viral replication in primary monocyte-derived macrophages and the rescue was only partial (Wang and Su, 2019). None of the Vpr-CRL4^{DCAF1} substrates identified thus far explain the ability of Vpr to activate G2/M-phase cell-cycle arrest.

The identification of post-translational modification (PTM) enzyme-substrate relationships can be challenging because of the transient nature of their physical interactions. The discoveries of APOBEC3 and BST2/tetherin proteins as ubiquitination targets of Vif-CRL5^{ELOB/ELOC} and Vpu-SCF^{βTrCP}, respectively, were made by comparing gene expression patterns in closely related cell lines that were permissive or non-permissive to HIV-1 replication with Vif- and Vpu-deficient viruses (Neil et al., 2008; Sheehy et al., 2002). Conversely, the suite of Vpr and Vpx substrates have been identified by physical interactions with Vpr/Vpx-CRL4^{DCAF1}. The development of chemical and immunoaffinity methods to enrich for ubiquitinated and phosphorylated species, combined with increasingly comprehensive and quantitative mass spectrometry-based proteomics approaches allows for a “shotgun” approach to identify PTM enzyme-substrate relationships. In this study, we sought to identify PTM pathways perturbed by HIV-1 infection to better understand the molecular mechanisms underlying HIV-1 accessory gene functions. We applied a global mass spectrometry-based proteomics approach to obtain a quantitative survey of two major PTM types—ubiquitination and phosphorylation—and protein abundance in cells infected with HIV-1 and accessory gene-deficient HIV-1 viruses. These data represent a quantitative resource of PTM changes during HIV-1 infection that will facilitate future investigations of the relationship between HIV-1 and its host.

RESULTS

Proteome-wide evaluation of the proteome, phosphoproteome, and ubiquitinome of HIV-1-infected cells

We applied a mass spectrometry-based proteomics approach to quantify changes in phosphorylation, ubiquitination, and protein abundance in response to HIV-1 infection. Jurkat E6.1 T cells were infected with vesicular stomatitis virus glycoprotein (VSVG)-pseudotyped, *Env*-deficient HIV-1 (strain NL4-3, referred to as wild-type [WT] hereafter) and *Vif*, *Vpr*, and *Vpu*-deficient HIV-1 strains with the same virus backbone and VSVG-pseudotyping as WT (referred to as *Vif*, *Vpr*, and *Vpu* hereafter). We selected a 24-h post-infection time point because we observed sufficient expression of viral accessory proteins at this time point without observing significant cell death. For mock infection, cells were treated with equal titers of *Env*-deficient HIV-1 without VSVG-pseudotyping, thus lacking any means to enter cells. Infections were performed at a multiplicity of infection of 5, and all viruses achieved infection rates of >75% (Figure S1). Ubiquitination

changes were quantified by combining a stable isotope labeling of amino acids in culture (SILAC) approach with ubiquitin remnant purification and mass spectrometry in biological quadruplicate with the SILAC labels inverted for every pair of replicates (Figure 1A) (Ong et al., 2002; Xu et al., 2010). To stabilize ubiquitinated substrates that may be rapidly degraded by the proteasome, ubiquitination experiments were performed in the presence and absence of a proteasome inhibitor, MG-132, provided at 10 μ M for 4 h prior to harvesting. MG-132 treatment increased the number of ubiquitination sites quantified, likely due to inhibition of proteasome-mediated degradation of many ubiquitinated species. We have previously demonstrated that this treatment is necessary to detect ubiquitinated peptides derived from canonical HIV-1 ubiquitination targets APOBEC3C and CD4 during infection (Ball et al., 2016). Phosphorylation and protein abundance changes were quantified by combining a label-free, data-independent acquisition approach with Fe³⁺ immobilized metal affinity chromatography (Fe³⁺-IMAC) phosphopeptide enrichment performed in biological triplicate (Figure 1B) (Mertins et al., 2013).

In total, 11,821 ubiquitination site groups, 14,105 phosphorylation site groups, and 6,078 protein groups were quantified across all experiments (Figures 1C–1E; Table S1). For ubiquitination data, 83% of ubiquitin site groups were quantified in at least one replicate of both the forward and reverse SILAC orientations (Figure S2). For both protein abundance and phosphorylation data, the number of protein groups and phosphorylation site groups that were differentially abundant (defined hereafter as $|\log_2$ fold change| > 1 and adjusted p value < 0.05) was greatest for the WT/mock comparison, followed by the WT/ Vpr comparison (Figures 1C–1E). Pairwise correlation analysis of ubiquitination \log_2 fold-change profiles showed that WT/mock and WT/ Vpr samples largely clustered separately from WT/ Vif and WT/ Vpu samples (Figure S3). Pairwise correlation analysis of sample intensity profiles for phosphorylation and protein abundance samples showed that intensities generally clustered with biological replicates of the same condition (Figure S4).

We next performed gene ontology enrichment analysis for protein, phosphorylation, and ubiquitination site groups that were differentially increased or decreased in each comparison using the criteria above for thresholding differential abundance (Figure 1F; Table S2) (Ashburner et al., 2000; Gene Ontology, 2021). Because proteasome inhibition had profound effects on ubiquitination profiles in HIV-infected cells, we restricted this analysis to ubiquitination profiles from samples that were not treated with MG-132. This enrichment analysis uncovered differentially increased protein abundance for several gene ontology terms related to cell division and mitotic spindle regulation for both WT/mock and WT/ Vpr comparisons, which may reflect the effects of HIV-1-mediated G2/M-phase cell-cycle arrest via the *Vpr* gene (Figure 1F) (Bartz et al., 1996). Enrichment analysis also uncovered differentially decreased ubiquitination of several histone H1 isoforms involved in nucleosome positioning in both WT/mock and WT/ Vpr comparisons (Figure 1F).

Defining Vif-, Vpr-, and Vpu-dependent proteomic changes

To map Vif-, Vpr-, and Vpu-dependent changes in protein abundance, a Z-score transformation was performed for each protein group to calculate the distance, in standard deviations, between the \log_2 fold-change value for each comparison with the mean and

standard deviation of \log_2 fold changes of all comparisons. Based on proteins described to be downregulated during HIV-1 infection (i.e., PP2A-B56 family members, HLTF, and UNG), we considered protein groups with a Z -score > 1.35 in any comparison to be specific for that comparison (Greenwood et al., 2016; Lahouassa et al., 2016; Selig et al., 1997; Yan et al., 2019). This yielded a set of 80 protein group changes mapped to Vif, Vpr, or Vpu and correctly mapped degradation of PP2A-B56 family members α , δ , and γ to Vif and degradation of HLTF and UNG to Vpr (Figure 2A) (Greenwood et al., 2016; Lahouassa et al., 2016; Selig et al., 1997; Yan et al., 2019). With the exception of RFX1, which decreased in abundance in a Vpu-dependent manner, all other protein changes mapped to Vpr. Vpr-dependent protein changes included several kinases associated with the cell cycle, including Aurora kinases A and B and PLK1.

To identify ubiquitination events that are associated with protein degradation, we compared changes in ubiquitination for infections performed in the presence of proteasome inhibitor (MG-132) to their respective protein abundance changes performed in the absence of MG-132 (Figure 2B; Table S3). For the WT/mock comparison, two PP2A-B56 subunits (PP2A-B56 δ and $-\gamma$) and UNG were observed with increased ubiquitination and decreased protein abundance. The same patterns were observed for PP2A-B56 δ and $-\gamma$ in the WT/ Vif comparison and for UNG in the WT/ Vpr comparison. Of note, while it was slightly below our thresholds for differential abundance, the N-myc interacting protein (NMI) was ubiquitinated with a \log_2 fold change of -0.80 in WT/mock and -1.26 in WT/ Vpr, while its protein abundance was observed with a \log_2 fold change of 0.72 in WT/mock and 0.91 in WT/ Vpr, suggesting that it may be targeted for deubiquitination by Vpr resulting in increased protein abundance.

We next sought to map ubiquitination changes to specific HIV-1 accessory genes. We identified ubiquitination sites that were differentially abundant in WT/ Vif, WT/ Vpr, and WT/ Vpu comparisons that were similarly differentially abundant in the WT/mock comparison. These changes are represented in a network view in Figure 2C (Oughtred et al., 2019). This analysis is consistent with the previously reported Vif-dependent degradation of PP2A-B56 family (2A5D and 2A5G) (Greenwood et al., 2016). We identified two regulated ubiquitination sites within the Runt domains of RUNX1 and RUNX2, transcription factors that form a heterodimeric complex with core-binding factor β (CFB β). CFB β is bound by HIV-1 Vif to enhance Vif stability and aid in recruitment of the CRL5^{ELOB/ELOC} E3 ubiquitin ligase complex (Kim et al., 2013a). These RUNX ubiquitination sites were differentially increased exclusively in the presence of proteasome inhibition (Figure S5). RUNX1 dimerization with CFB β protects RUNX1 from ubiquitination and degradation by the proteasome, and our finding that RUNX proteins are ubiquitinated in HIV-1-infected cells in the presence of proteasome inhibitor is consistent with a model where HIV-1 Vif sequesters CFB β away from its RUNX cofactors (Huang et al., 2001). Finally, we mapped the activity of histone H1 deubiquitination on variants H1.2 and H1.4 specifically to the *Vpr* gene.

Ubiquitin is not the only protein known to generate a diglycine remnant that would be enriched with the ubiquitin remnant antibody used in this study. Ubiquitin-like proteins ISG15 and NEDD8 also covalently attach to substrate lysine residues and generate diglycine

remnants upon trypsin digestion. We employed a “top 3” intensity average method to estimate the relative absolute abundance of ubiquitin, ISG15, and NEDD8 from protein abundance data (Figure 2D) (Grossmann et al., 2010). By this method, we estimate that ubiquitin is 5 to 10 times more abundant than ISG15 and NEDD8, and thus, we expect most sites discovered in this study to be ubiquitin modifications. Many proteins were observed with multiple ubiquitination sites that were similarly regulated by HIV-1 infection (Figure 2E). To analyze the behavior of ubiquitination sites on multiply ubiquitinated proteins, we plotted the \log_2 fold-change values for adjacent ubiquitination sites on the same protein for proteins with at least two differentially regulated ubiquitination sites (Figure 2F). Overall, ubiquitination sites on the same protein were correlated with a Pearson coefficient of 0.571.

HIV-1 requires Aurora kinase activity for replication in human primary CD4+ T cells and monocyte-derived macrophages

To identify kinases that may be differentially active in HIV-1 infection, we estimated the significance of changes in kinase activity based on phosphorylation \log_2 fold-change profiles using a gene set enrichment analysis approach with kinase-substrate annotations derived from the PhosphoSitePlus resource (Table S4) (Beltrao et al., 2012; Hernandez-Armenta et al., 2017; Hornbeck et al., 2015; Subramanian et al., 2005). The 10 most significantly regulated kinases in the WT/mock comparison were Aurora kinase B, ERK1, ERK2, Src, PLK1, ATM, p90RSK, Aurora kinase A, AMPKA1, and ATR. A network view of differentially regulated kinases and their substrates is illustrated in Figure 3A. We found that topoisomerase II alpha (TOP2A) phosphorylation is increased upon HIV-1 infection at multiple sites, consistent with reports that have found phosphorylated TOP2A in both HIV-infected cells and virions (Kondapi et al., 2005; Matthes et al., 1990). Motif enrichment analysis using MoMo/Motif-X identified two motifs overrepresented in differentially increased phosphorylation sites (Figure 3D): an RxxS* motif and an SXS* motif (Chou and Schwartz, 2011). No significantly overrepresented motifs were identified in differentially decreased phosphorylation sites. RxxS* motifs are common among kinase preferences and may reflect the activity of Aurora kinase A or B, p21-activated kinases, AMP-activated kinase, protein kinase A, and Ca²⁺/calmodulin-dependent kinases.

Our differential kinase activity analysis identified Aurora kinases A, B, and PLK1 as among the most significantly regulated kinases based on their substrate phosphorylation \log_2 fold-change profiles. As noted above, the protein abundances of Aurora kinases A, B, and PLK1 were differentially increased in all comparisons except the Vpr/mock comparison, suggesting that these changes are Vpr dependent (Figure 3C). Furthermore, the significance of Aurora kinase A regulation by this method was significantly lower in the Vpr/mock comparison compared with all other comparisons (Figure 3B).

We next tested the impact of Aurora kinase inhibitors on HIV-1 infection in primary human CD4+ T cells. Cells were pre-treated for 1 h with an Aurora kinase A inhibitor, MLN8054, then infected with HIV-1 containing a luciferase reporter in the Nef locus (Manfredi et al., 2007). We observed cell-cycle defects with MLN8054 treatment longer than 24 h and therefore measured luciferase activity at 24 h and confirmed normal cell-cycle progression. MLN8054 inhibited HIV-1 infection in a dose-dependent manner with an EC₅₀

of approximately 500 nM (Figure 4A). We next tested more selective inhibitors of Aurora kinases A and B (Figure 4B). MLN8237 is 200-fold more selective for Aurora kinase A than B and inhibited HIV-1 infection at 5 μ M in both human primary CD4⁺ T cells and human primary monocyte-derived macrophages with no effect on cell viability (Tomita and Mori, 2010). AZD1152-HQPA (Barasertib), an Aurora kinase B inhibitor that is 3,000-fold more selective for Aurora kinase B than A, had no effect on HIV-1 replication but did reduce cell viability by 10% to 20% in human primary CD4⁺ T cells and monocyte-derived macrophages (Wilkinson et al., 2007). Collectively, these data uncovered several kinase-substrate networks impacted during HIV-1 infection and demonstrate the essential role of Aurora kinase signaling for productive infection.

PP2A-B56 degradation by Vif alters ARHG2 binding to 14–3–3 proteins

While PP2A-B56 is ubiquitinated and degraded in a Vif-dependent manner, the functional significance of this process is not understood. To identify putative PP2A-B56 substrates affected by its Vif-mediated degradation, we mined the phosphoproteomics data described above and added a comparison where cells infected with Vif, which does not lead to PP2A-B56 degradation, were treated for 1 h prior to harvest with DMSO or okadaic acid (OA), a PP2A inhibitor (Figure 5A). Inspection of validated PP2A-B56 substrates revealed a characteristic pattern of log₂ fold-change values among the comparisons where WT/mock and WT/ Vif were highest, followed by WT/ Vpr, then WT/ Vpu (Figure 5D). All validated substrates had negative log₂ fold-change values for the Vif/ Vif OA comparison. Based on the log₂ fold-change values observed for validated PP2A-B56 substrates, we filtered phosphosite groups for those with log₂ fold-change values > 0.5 in the WT/mock and WT/ Vif comparisons and log₂ fold-change values < -0.5 for the Vif/ Vif OA comparison to obtain a set of 125 phosphosite groups that are putative PP2A-B56 substrates (Figure 5C; Table S5). We further filtered these data for phosphosites with annotated functions in the PhosphoSitePlus Regulatory Sites dataset (Hornbeck et al., 2015). This yielded a set of 11 phosphorylation sites that includes several proteins involved in the cell cycle and mitotic spindle formation, including CHK1, TOP2A, and ARHG2 (Figure 5E).

Of the validated PP2A-B56 substrates, ARHG2 S886 phosphorylation was observed with the highest log₂ fold changes in both the WT/mock and WT/ Vif comparisons. Two sites on ARHG2 have been described to regulate binding to 14-3-3 proteins and sequester ARHG2 to microtubule networks (Zenke et al., 2004). To test whether HIV-1 and Vif impact ARHG2 binding to 14-3-3 proteins, we combined co-immunoprecipitation of ARHG2 with quantitative mass spectrometry in cells infected with WT, Vif, or mock (Figures 5F and S7). We identified 380 ARHG2-interacting proteins, including 14-3-3 family members ζ , ϵ , and η . We found that ARHG2 binding to 14-3-3 family members ζ , ϵ , and η was, in fact, significantly increased in cells infected with WT compared with both mock and Vif (Figure 5G; Table S6). It remains to be determined whether ARHG2 interactions with 14-3-3 proteins impacts HIV-1 infection processes.

Vpr reduces ubiquitination of histone H1 variants

Histone H1 variants were found to be deubiquitinated by HIV-1 infection at several positions. Figure 6A illustrates the ubiquitination sites identified on all histone H1 variants

and their changes in cells infected with WT compared with mock. The central globular domain is highly conserved among histone H1 variants, and many modified peptides in this region could not distinguish precisely which variants were modified. The more variable N- and C-terminal regions allowed us to identify differentially decreased ubiquitination of histone H1 variants H1.2, H1.3, and H1.4 at positions K17 and K21 (aligned relative to H1.2) in response to HIV-1 infection, but histone H1.5 ubiquitination at these sites did not meet our thresholds for differential abundance. Histone H1.1 was not detected in protein abundance analysis and histone H1.0 was detected with far fewer peptides than the somatic variants, so it is possible that these histone H1 isoforms may be modified but are below the detection limit of our assay.

Our analysis of cells infected with *Vif*-, *Vpu*-, and *Vpr*-deficient HIV-1 revealed that ubiquitination of histone H1 variants H1.2 and H1.4 is Vpr dependent. We validated that Vpr expression reduced histone H1.2 ubiquitination by performing denaturing immunoprecipitation in cells co-transfected with histone H1.2, ubiquitin, and increasing amounts of Vpr (Figure 6B). Histone H1 variants physically interact with the CRL4^{DCAF1} ubiquitin ligase, which suggests two likely scenarios: (1) CRL4^{DCAF1} is a histone H1 ubiquitin ligase whose activity toward histone H1 is reduced by Vpr, or (2) Vpr hijacks CRL4^{DCAF1} to inhibit a histone H1 ubiquitin ligase (Kim et al., 2013b). To discern which of these scenarios occurs, we used a NEDD8 activating enzyme inhibitor, MLN4924, which inactivates Cullin RING-type E3 ubiquitin ligases by preventing their NEDDylation-based activation (Soucy et al., 2009). MLN4924 treatment reduced histone H1.2 ubiquitination in a dose-dependent manner similar to Vpr expression. This finding is consistent with the first scenario described above whereby CRL4^{DCAF1} is a histone H1 ubiquitin ligase that is inhibited by Vpr (Figure 6C).

To understand how Vpr inhibits ubiquitination of histone H1 variants, we next employed quantitative affinity purification and mass spectrometry (AP-MS) analysis to quantify changes in histone H1.2 protein interactions in response to Vpr co-expression (Figure 6D). HEK293T cells were transfected with FLAG-tagged histone H1.2 or an empty vector and co-transfected with Vpr or empty vector in biological triplicate for each condition and subjected to native FLAG AP-MS analysis. This analysis identified 126 histone H1.2-interacting proteins of which 28 and 10 were differentially increased or decreased by Vpr co-expression, respectively (Figures 6E and S8; Table S7). DCAF1 binding was reduced by 1.6-fold when Vpr was co-expressed, as well as three subunits of the mitochondrial ribosome. Increased binding was observed between histone H1.2 and members of the PAF1 complex (PAF1, CTR9, LEO1, and WDR61) when Vpr was co-expressed. These findings are consistent with a recent study that found a decreased association of the PAF1 complex with ubiquityl-histone H1 relative to unmodified histone H1 (Hollmuller et al., 2021).

Histone H1 ubiquitination plays a key role in the DNA damage response by facilitating the recruitment of repair factors BRCA1 and 53BP1 to sites of damage to initiate repair processes (Thorslund et al., 2015). Furthermore, Vpr has been recently demonstrated to inhibit DNA repair (Li et al., 2020). To test whether histone H1 deubiquitination affects DNA repair processes, we implemented a fluorescence-based assay of homology-directed repair (HDR) of DNA double-strand breaks (Figure 6F) (Pierce et al., 1999). In this system,

I-SceI expression induces a double-strand break within a defective GFP locus that is made functional only when repaired by homologous recombination from a second GFP locus in the genome. Neither GFP locus is functional unless HDR occurs. We found that expression of VPR derived from HIV-1 (Q23 isolate) and HIV-2 (ROD9 isolate) inhibited HDR by up to 4-fold (Figure 6G). A similar reduction in HDR was observed when cells were treated with MLN4924, indicating that Cullin inhibition, and not Cullin-mediated degradation of a target protein, caused HDR impairment (Figure 6G).

DISCUSSION

In this study, we present a quantitative analysis of ubiquitination, phosphorylation, and protein abundance changes in response to HIV-1 infection. We demonstrate strategies to integrate and interpret proteomics data to identify host cellular pathways that are targeted by HIV-1 and to determine the molecular mechanisms by which HIV-1 perturbs their functions.

Integrating ubiquitination profiles with proteasome perturbations and protein abundance measurements

Our ubiquitination analysis identified many proteins that were ubiquitinated on multiple residues, and we demonstrated that a vast majority of those sites respond similarly to HIV-1 infection. This has implications on the experimental approaches intended to test the biological function of individual ubiquitination sites: if the exact site of ubiquitination is flexible, then mutating residues found to be ubiquitinated are unlikely to elicit an effect in a functional assay.

We have previously demonstrated that differential ubiquitination of APOBEC3C and CD4 in HIV-1-infected cells could only be observed in the presence of proteasome inhibition (Ball et al., 2016). By combining ubiquitination profiles of proteasome-inhibited, HIV-1-infected cells with protein abundance profiles of HIV-1-infected cells in which the proteasome was not inhibited, we rapidly identified PP2A-B56 and UNG as ubiquitination events that are destined for degradation by the proteasome and mapped their degradation correctly to Vif and Vpr, respectively. While proteasome inhibition is essential for identifying ubiquitination substrates that are targeted for proteasomal degradation, we found a low overlap between ubiquitination changes in the presence and absence of proteasome inhibition, suggesting that proteasome inhibition has profound effects on cellular ubiquitination profiles. This presents a challenge when interpreting ubiquitination profiles for proteins such as RUNX1 and RUNX2, where differential ubiquitination is observed only in the presence of proteasome inhibition but for which there are no observable changes in protein abundance. One possible explanation could be that only a minor subpopulation of these proteins is targeted for ubiquitination and degradation such that the total steady-state abundance of these proteins is not significantly perturbed.

In the case of RUNX proteins, HIV-1 Vif recruits the RUNX cofactor CFB β into a complex with the CUL5^{EloB/EloC} ubiquitin ligase in order to target APOBEC3 proteins for proteasomal degradation (Jager et al., 2011). CFB β protects RUNX proteins from ubiquitination and degradation, and our findings are consistent with a model where Vif sequesters CFB β and exposes RUNX proteins to ubiquitination (Huang et al., 2001; Kim

et al., 2013a). That RUNX proteins are not observed to be differentially abundant in HIV-1-infected cells could imply that Vif is targeting a specific CBF β -RUNX subpopulation for disruption. It will be of interest to identify the characteristics of that population (e.g., genomic location, PTMs, or relevant cofactors) and a mechanism for how a specific population is targeted by Vif.

Phosphoproteomics analysis identifies a requirement for Aurora kinase activity in HIV-1 infection

Phosphoproteomics analysis and subsequent kinase-substrate analysis revealed a strong enrichment for Aurora kinase A and B substrates in HIV-1-infected cells. This is consistent with a previous study that also reported an inverse correlation between phosphorylation sites that were more abundant in CEM-T4 cells infected with *Vif*-deficient than *Vif*-competent HIV-1 and sites that decreased upon inhibition with Aurora kinase A and B inhibitors (Greenwood et al., 2016). Our study complements this work in a Jurkat cell line and further profiles phosphoproteomics responses that are mediated by HIV-1 Vif, Vpu, and Vpr accessory factors. By investigating these accessory proteins, we identified an association between Vpr and Aurora kinase protein levels and activity.

The mechanism by which Aurora kinases promote HIV-1 replication is unclear. It has been reported that *de novo* HIV-1 infection and reactivation of latently infected primary CD4+ T cells increased protein levels of PLK1 and that inhibition of PLK1 promoted death of HIV-1-infected cells (Zhou et al., 2020). Aurora kinase A can regulate PLK1 activity, and it was demonstrated that Aurora kinase A inhibition modestly impaired the elevation of PLK1 protein levels in *de novo* infection and latency reactivation. In our study, we limited Aurora kinase inhibitor treatment duration to 24 h in order to separate the effects of inhibition on HIV-1 replication from its effects on cell viability. Interestingly, Aurora kinases A and B have both been reported to be inhibited by the DNA damage response (DDR) pathway, while it is well established that the HIV-1 Vpr protein activates DDR (Krystyniak et al., 2006; Monaco et al., 2005). How the Aurora kinases maintain their activity in the presence of activated DDR also remains to be determined.

Vpr modulates DNA damage signaling by inhibiting ubiquitination of histone H1 variants

Histone H1 ubiquitination plays a key role in the DDR by facilitating the recruitment of repair factors BRCA1 and 53BP1 to sites of damage to initiate repair processes (Thorslund et al., 2015). We found that Vpr inhibits histone H1 ubiquitination and HDR of double-strand DNA breaks. This is consistent with reports that HIV-1-infected cells accumulate double-strand DNA breaks in a Vpr-dependent manner and that even latently infected cells exhibit defects in DNA repair (Piekna-Przybylska et al., 2017; Tachiwana et al., 2006). Importantly, by demonstrating that MLN4924, a NEDD8-activating enzyme inhibitor, phenocopies Vpr in its capacity to inhibit HDR, we propose that Vpr's capacity to *inhibit* a Cullin activity, and not to *hijack* Cullin activity, is responsible for the HDR phenotype.

It remains to be determined whether inhibition of histone H1 ubiquitination provides a benefit to HIV-1 infection. We found that histone H1.2 binding to the PAF1 complex is enhanced by Vpr. Several viruses target the PAF1 complex to suppress interferon-stimulated

gene expression. Flaviviruses inhibit the recruitment of PAF1 complexes to interferon-stimulated gene locations via the NS5 protein, and the influenza virus NS1 protein mimics histones to bind PAF1 complexes and suppress antiviral gene expression (Marazzi et al., 2012; Shah et al., 2018). Therefore, it is plausible that HIV-1 perturbs PAF1 in a manner that suppresses interferon-stimulated gene expression. Histone H1 variants play important roles in chromatin accessibility, condensation, and gene regulation. It will be important to identify whether specific genome locations in host cells are being targeted by Vpr-mediated inhibition of histone H1 ubiquitination and what the consequences of this inhibition are on gene expression.

Limitations of the study

While primary CD4⁺ T cells would be a more relevant system to study HIV-1 infection, requirements for high amounts of starting material required (e.g., 2×10^8 cells for global ubiquitination analysis) and high infection rates preclude their application at this time.

We found that two Aurora kinase A inhibitors reduced infection levels, while an Aurora kinase B inhibitor had no effect. Unfortunately, we could not achieve appreciable genetic reduction of Aurora kinase A or B without significant cell death to support the findings with inhibitors, presumably because these kinases are essentially involved in mitotic and cell-cycle processes. Therefore, we cannot decisively conclude the specific contributions of Aurora kinases A and B to HIV-1 replication at this time.

Our study identified phosphorylation and ubiquitination events associated with HIV-1 infection and specific HIV-1 accessory factors that lead to significant changes in the host cellular environment. Assessing the functional impact of individual PTM events is challenging for several reasons. We found that ubiquitination site changes on multiply ubiquitinated proteins were correlated with each other, which suggests that mutating individual residues may not impact protein function if additional sites on the protein can compensate (Figure 2F). Furthermore, while genetic reduction of protein levels by RNAi and CRISPR-Cas9 technologies is straightforward for amenable targets, these approaches affect the entire protein and do not inform on the specific contributions of individual PTMs. Rescuing genetic perturbations with WT and mutant cDNAs at the PTM site is required to assess the function of an individual residue, which precludes high-throughput assessment and would require an effective prioritization approach to focus on PTMs likely to have a functional effect. These limitations emphasize the importance of bioinformatics approaches to prioritize PTMs likely to have a functional impact based on additional factors such as proximity to other PTMs, functional protein domains, or protein interaction interfaces (Beltrao et al., 2012; Johnson et al., 2015). The breath-taking development of CRISPR-Cas9 DNA genome-editing technologies may enable approaches to systematically mutate modified residues in a genomic context and test their function in high-throughput manner feasible in the near future.

STAR★METHODS

RESOURCE AVAILABILITY

Lead contact—Further information and requests for resources and reagents should be directed to and will be fulfilled by the lead contact, Nevan Krogan (nevan.krogan@ucsf.edu).

Materials availability—Proviral pNL4-3 plasmids described in this paper (Env pNL4-3, Env Vif pNL4-3, Env Vpr pNL4-3, and Env Vpu pNL4-3) have been submitted to the NIH AIDS Reagent Program. Other plasmids described in this study are available from the lead contact upon request.

Data and code availability

- Mass spectrometry data have been deposited at the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE partner repository and are publicly available as of the date of publication. Accession numbers are listed in the key resources table.
- This paper does not report original code.
- Any additional information required to reanalyze the data reported in this paper is available from the lead contact upon request.

EXPERIMENTAL MODELS AND SUBJECT DETAILS

Viruses—For global proteomics analyses, the pNL4-3 plasmid (obtained from the NIH AIDS Reagent Program) of HIV-1 was modified to prevent expression of the Env glycoprotein by mutating the start codon and introducing two stop codons (Adachi et al., 1986). All mutations maintain identical protein coding sequence for the overlapping *Vpu* open reading frame. *Vif*, *Vpr*, and *Vpu* were similarly mutated to disrupt their start codons and to introduce premature stop codons. For testing the effects of kinase inhibitors on HIV-1 infection in primary CD4+ T cells, cells were infected with a replication competent NL4-3/ Nef-IRES/Renilla luciferase HIV-1 reporter virus that expresses Renilla luciferase from an internal ribosome entry site, or IRES, that was provided by Sumit Chanda.

Cell lines—The Jurkat E6.1 T cell line was used as a model for T cells infected with HIV-1. Cells were grown in RPMI-1640 medium (Corning) supplemented with penicillin and streptomycin antibiotics (Gibco) and 10% fetal bovine serum (Gibco) at 37°C. The HEK293T cell line was used for virus production and protein interaction studies. Cells were grown in DMEM medium (Corning) supplemented with penicillin and streptomycin antibiotics (Gibco) and 10% fetal bovine serum (Gibco) at 37°C.

Human primary CD4+ T cells—Human T cell isolation and leukoreduction chambers from healthy, anonymous donors were purchased from Blood Centers of the Pacific and processed within 12 h. Primary CD4+ T cells were harvested by positive selection using a FABian automated enrichment system and CD4 isolation kit (IBA Lifesciences). Isolated T cells were suspended in complete RPMI-1640 medium supplemented with 5 mM HEPES, 2 mM glutamine, 50 µg/mL penicillin/streptomycin, 5 mM nonessential amino acids, 5

mM sodium pyruvate, and 10% fetal bovine serum (Atlanta Biologicals). These cells were immediately stimulated on anti-CD3-coated plates (coated overnight with 10 µg/mL anti-CD3 from Tonbo Biosciences) in the presence of 5 µg/mL soluble anti-CD28 (CD28.2, Tonbo Biosciences). Cells were stimulated for 48 h prior to infection.

METHOD DETAILS

Virus production—HEK293T cells were transfected in T-175 flask format with 22.02 µg of Env pNL4-3 HIV-1 provirus and 2.98 µg pcDNA/VSVg using acidified PEI pH 4 in lactate-buffered saline (LBS), which yielded a stoichiometric ratio of 3:1 provirus:envelope. Viral supernatant was collected 48 h after transfection, cleared by centrifugation, and filtered through a 0.45 µm filter. Virus was precipitated by addition of 50% PEG-6000 and 4M NaCl to final concentrations of 8.5% and 0.3M, respectively, followed by incubation at 4° for 2 h, centrifugation and resuspension in phosphate buffer saline (PBS). Viral titer was quantified by titration on Jurkat T cells followed by fixation, staining with anti-HIV-1 Core Antigen Clone KC57 FITC (Beckman Coulter) and detection of HIV-1-infected cells by flow cytometry. *Vif*, *Vpr*, and *Vpu*-deficient viruses were produced in the same manner.

HIV-1 infection of jurkat T cells—For ubiquitination analysis, Jurkat cells were first labeled with light and heavy SILAC medium for two weeks. SILAC medium was comprised of RPMI-1640 lacking L-Lysine and L-Arginine supplemented with 10% dialyzed FCS, antibiotics, and natural L-Lysine and L-Arginine (for light medium) and ¹³C₆-Lysine and ¹³C₆, ¹⁵N₄-Arginine for heavy medium. The efficiency of stable isotope-labeled amino acids incorporation was assessed by analyzing an aliquot of a lysate from cells grown in heavy medium to ensure that the amount of unlabeled proteins was <1%. All infections were performed by spinoculation for 2 h at 1400 × *g* with VSVg pseudotyped HIV-1 at MOI of 5 in the presence of 1 µg/mL PEI (Polysciences) and 16 µg/mL Polybrene (Sigma-Aldrich).

Preparation of samples for global ubiquitination, phosphorylation, and protein abundance analysis—Infected cells were lysed in a buffer containing 8M urea, 50 mM ammonium bicarbonate, 150 mM NaCl, and PhosStop and Complete-EDTA free phosphatase and protease inhibitors (Roche) and sonicated to shear membranes and DNA. Protein concentrations were measured by a Bradford assay. For SILAC analyses, light and heavy cells for each comparison (i.e., Env vs. mock, Env vs. Env Vif, Env vs. Env Vpr, Env vs. Env Vpu) were combined at equal protein concentrations. Lysates were reduced by the addition of 4 mM TCEP (Sigma) for 30 min at room temperature, disulfide bonds were alkylated with 10 mM iodoacetamide (Sigma) for 30 min in the dark at room temperature, and excess iodoacetamide was quenched with 20 mM DTT (Sigma). Lysates were diluted 1:4 in 50 mM ammonium bicarbonate and trypsin was added at a 1:100 enzyme:substrate ratio. Lysates were digested for 18 h at room temperature with rotation. Digested lysates were acidified with 0.1% TFA and peptides concentrated on Sep-Pak C18 solid phase extraction columns (Waters). For ubiquitin remnant analysis, an amount of digested lysate equivalent to 10 mg of protein was subjected to ubiquitin remnant immunoprecipitation according to the manufacturer's protocol (Cell Signaling Technologies). For phosphorylation analysis, an amount of digested lysate equivalent to 1 mg of protein was lyophilized and then resuspended in a buffer containing 75% ACN with

0.1% TFA. Peptides were incubated with Fe³⁺-immobilized metal affinity chromatography (IMAC) beads, washed with the same resuspension buffer, and then phosphopeptides were eluted with 500 mM HK₂PO₄. For both ubiquitin remnant-enriched and phosphopeptide-enriched samples, the purified material was desalted using homemade C18 STAGE tips, evaporated to dryness, and then resuspended in 0.1% formic acid for mass spectrometry analysis (Rappsilber et al., 2007).

ARHG2 immunoprecipitation for IP-MS—10 million Jurkat E6.1 cells per sample were lysed in cold IP buffer (5 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, Complete EDTA-free protease inhibitor tablet) with 0.5% NP-40. Debris was pelleted and lysates incubated with Rabbit anti-ARHG2 antibody (Abcam) or isotype control (Abcam). Lysates were incubated with antibody overnight at 4°C, then with Protein A dynabeads (Thermo Scientific) for 2 h at 4°C. Beads were washed three times in IP buffer with 0.05% NP-40, then once in IP buffer with no detergent. Samples were eluted with 0.2 M Glycine-HCl pH 2.5 for 5 min at room temperature. The pH of eluates was neutralized by adding Tris-HCl pH 8.0 to a final concentration of 100 mM.

Histone H1.2 FLAG affinity purification for AP-MS—HEK293T cells were co-transfected in 15 cm format with 3 µg pcDNA4/histone H1.2-3xFLAG with 12 µg of pcDNA4 or with 60 ng pcDNA4/VPR-2xStrep and 11.04 µg pcDNA4 using the PolyJet transfection reagent (SigmaGen). Cells were harvested 48 h after transfection by lysis in cold IP buffer (5 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA, Complete EDTA-free protease inhibitor tablet) with 0.5% NP-40. Debris was pelleted and 40 µL of a 50% slurry of anti-FLAG M2 magnetic beads (Sigma) were added for 2 h. The sample was eluted by with 100 µg/mL 3xFLAG peptide (Elim Bio) in IP buffer with 0.05% Rapigest SF (Waters).

Preparation of IP-MS and AP-MS samples for mass spectrometry analysis—IP-MS and AP-MS samples were added to a buffer containing 2M urea, 10 mM ammonium bicarbonate, and 2 mM DTT. Samples were reduced at 60°C for 30 min and alkylated with 2 mM iodoacetamide for 30 min at room temperature in the dark. Trypsin was then added at a 1:100 enzyme:substrate ratio. Samples were digested for 18 h at 37°C and then desalted using C18 STAGE tips, evaporated to dryness, and then resuspended in 0.1% formic acid for mass spectrometry analysis.

Denaturing ubiquitin immunoprecipitation—For denaturing ubiquitin immunoprecipitation experiments, HEK293T cells were co-transfected in 6 cm format with 500 ng pcDNA4/histone H1.2-3xFLAG, 500 ng pcDNA/Myc-Ub, 500 ng pMaxGFP, and pcDNA4/TO to bring the total transfected amount to 2 µg. Cells were harvested 48 h after transfection by pelleting cells, lysing in 150 µL SDS lysis buffer (1% SDS, 50 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 150 mM NaCl) and boiling at 95°C for 10 min. Samples were sonicated to shear DNA and insoluble material was pelleted by centrifugation at 14,000 × *g*. 10 µL of a 50% slurry of anti-FLAG M2 magnetic beads (Sigma) was incubated with the samples for 2 h at 4°C and then were washed three times with RIPA buffer. Samples were eluted in 30 µL Laemmli sample buffer (Bio-Rad) and boiling at 95°C for 10 min. Samples were then separated by gel electrophoresis using a Criterion TGX gel (Bio-RAD), transferred

to a nitrocellulose membrane, blocked with either 5% milk or 2% BSA in Tris-buffered saline (TBS) with 0.1% Tween 20, incubated with antibody, and developed with Pierce ECL Western Blotting Substrate (Thermo) and autoradiographic film (Amersham). Antibodies were used at the following concentrations: Myc-HRP (Thermo) at 1:5000, rabbit anti-FLAG (Sigma) at 1:5000, mouse anti-GAPDH (Sigma) at 1:2000, mouse anti-Strep II (Sigma) at 1:2000, goat anti-mouse-HRP (Bio-Rad) at 1:10,000, and goat anti-rabbit-HRP (Bio-Rad) at 1:10,000.

Mass spectrometry analysis—Ubiquitination samples were analyzed on a Thermo Scientific LTQ Orbitrap Elite mass spectrometry system equipped with an Easy nLC 1000 uHPLC system interfaced with the mass spectrometer via a Nanoflex II nanoelectrospray source. Samples were injected onto a C18 reverse phase capillary column (75 μm inner diameter \times 25 cm, packed with 1.9 μm Reprosil Pur C18-AQ particles). Peptides were then separated by an organic gradient from 5% to 30% in 0.1% formic acid over 112 min at a flow rate of 300 nL/min. The mass spectrometry collected data in a data-dependent fashion, collecting one full scan in the Orbitrap (120,000 resolution, 50 ms maximum injection time, 400,000 AGC target) followed by 20 collision-induced dissociation MS/MS scans in the dual linear ion trap for the 20 most intense peaks from the full scan. Dynamic exclusion was employed with an exclusion duration of 20 s. Charge state screening was enabled to reject MS/MS analysis of singly charged species or species for which a charge could not be assigned.

Phosphorylation and protein abundance samples were analyzed on a Thermo Scientific Orbitrap Eclipse mass spectrometry system equipped with an Easy nLC 1200 uHPLC system interfaced with the mass spectrometer via a Nanoflex II nanoelectrospray source. Samples were injected onto a C18 reverse phase capillary column (75 μm inner diameter \times 25 cm, packed with 1.9 μm Reprosil Pur C18-AQ particles). Peptides were then separated by an organic gradient from 5% to 30% in 0.1% formic acid over 120 min at a flow rate of 300 nL/min. To build a spectral library, biological replicates were pooled and analyzed by a data-dependent acquisition method with a full scan in the Orbitrap (120,000 resolution, 400–1300 m/z scan range, 50 ms maximum injection time, AGC target of 400,000) followed by the maximum number of high energy collision-induced dissociation MS/MS scans that could be obtained within 3 s. MS/MS scans were collected in the Orbitrap (15,000 resolution, 22 ms maximum injection time, 50,000 AGC target, isolation in quadrupole, isolation window 1.6 m/z). Dynamic exclusion was enabled to exclude peaks with an exclusion duration of 45 s and a mass tolerance of \pm 10 ppm. Charge state screening was enabled to reject MS/MS analysis of singly charged species or species for which the charge could not be assigned.

Individual samples were analyzed by a data-independent acquisition method with a full scan in the Orbitrap (60,000 resolution, 390–1010 m/z scan range, 50 ms maximum injection time, AGC target of 400,000) followed by 30 MS/MS scans in the Orbitrap spanning the full scan mass range in 8 m/z windows (15,000 resolution, 22 ms maximum injection time, 400,000 AGC target, isolation in quadrupole).

ARHG2 IP-MS and histone H1.2 AP-MS samples were analyzed on a Thermo Scientific Orbitrap Fusion mass spectrometry system equipped with an Easy nLC 1200 uHPLC system

interfaced with the mass spectrometer via a Nanoflex II nanoelectrospray source. The sample capillary columns were used as above. For phosphoproteomics analysis, peptides were separated by an organic gradient from 5% to 30% ACN in 0.1% formic acid over 172 min at a flow rate of 300 nL/min. For AP-MS analysis the gradient was over 52 min at the same flow rate. In both cases the mass spectrometer collected data in a data-dependent fashion, collecting one full scan in the Orbitrap (240,000 resolution, 50 ms maximum injection time, 400,000 AGC target) followed by the maximum number of high energy collision-induced dissociation MS/MS scans that could be obtained in the dual linear ion trap within 3 s. Dynamic exclusion was enabled for 30 s. Charge state screening was enabled to reject MS/MS analysis of singly charged species or species for which the charge could not be assigned.

QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Mass spectrometry data analysis—Mass spectrometry data was analyzed by MaxQuant and Spectronaut to identify peptides/proteins, localize post-translational modifications, and extract quantitative information (Bruderer et al., 2015; Cox and Mann, 2008). False discovery rates were estimated using a decoy database strategy (Elias and Gygi, 2007). All data were filtered to achieve a false discovery rate of 0.01 for peptide-spectrum matches, peptide identifications, and protein identifications. Search parameters included a fixed modification for carbamidomethyl cysteine and variable modifications for N-terminal protein acetylation, methionine oxidation, and serine, threonine and tyrosine phosphorylation for phosphoenriched samples and diglycine-modified lysine for ubiquitin remnant-enriched samples. All other search parameters were defaults for the respective algorithms.

The MSstats statistical package was employed to integrate data from technical and biological replicates to estimate \log_2 fold changes, p values, and adjusted p values (Choi et al., 2014). All data were normalized by equalizing median intensities, the summary method was Tukey's median polish, and the maximum quantile for deciding censored missing values was 0.999.

Gene ontology enrichment analysis—Gene ontology enrichment analysis was performed by hypergeometric testing using the `dhyper` function in R. p values were adjusted for multiple testing using the Benjamini-Hochberg method (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995).

Kinase activity analysis—Kinase activity analysis was performed using the FGSEA package in R and kinase-substrate annotations in the PhosphoSitePlus resource (Hornbeck et al., 2015; Korotkevich et al., 2021). p-values were adjusted for multiple testing using the Benjamini-Hochberg method (Benjamini and Hochberg, 1995).

Supplementary Material

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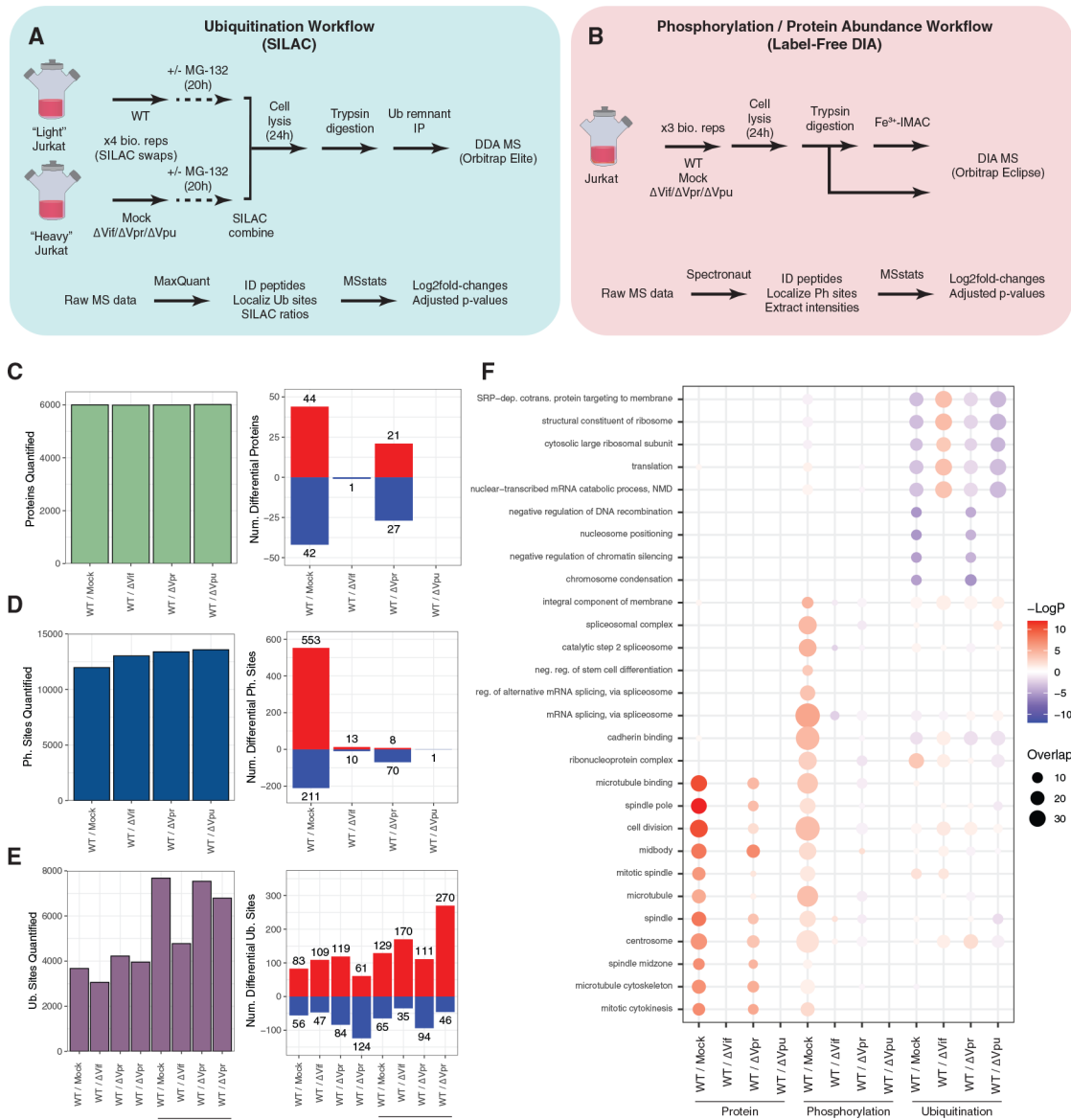
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Highlights

- Integrated analysis of HIV-1-mediated changes in posttranslational modifications
- HIV-1 requires Aurora kinase activity for productive infection
- HIV-1 Vpr is associated with decreased ubiquitination of histone H1 isoforms



(F) Enrichment analysis of gene ontology terms. The top 10 gene ontology terms per data type are indicated (full gene ontology enrichment results in Table S2). See also Tables S1 and S2.

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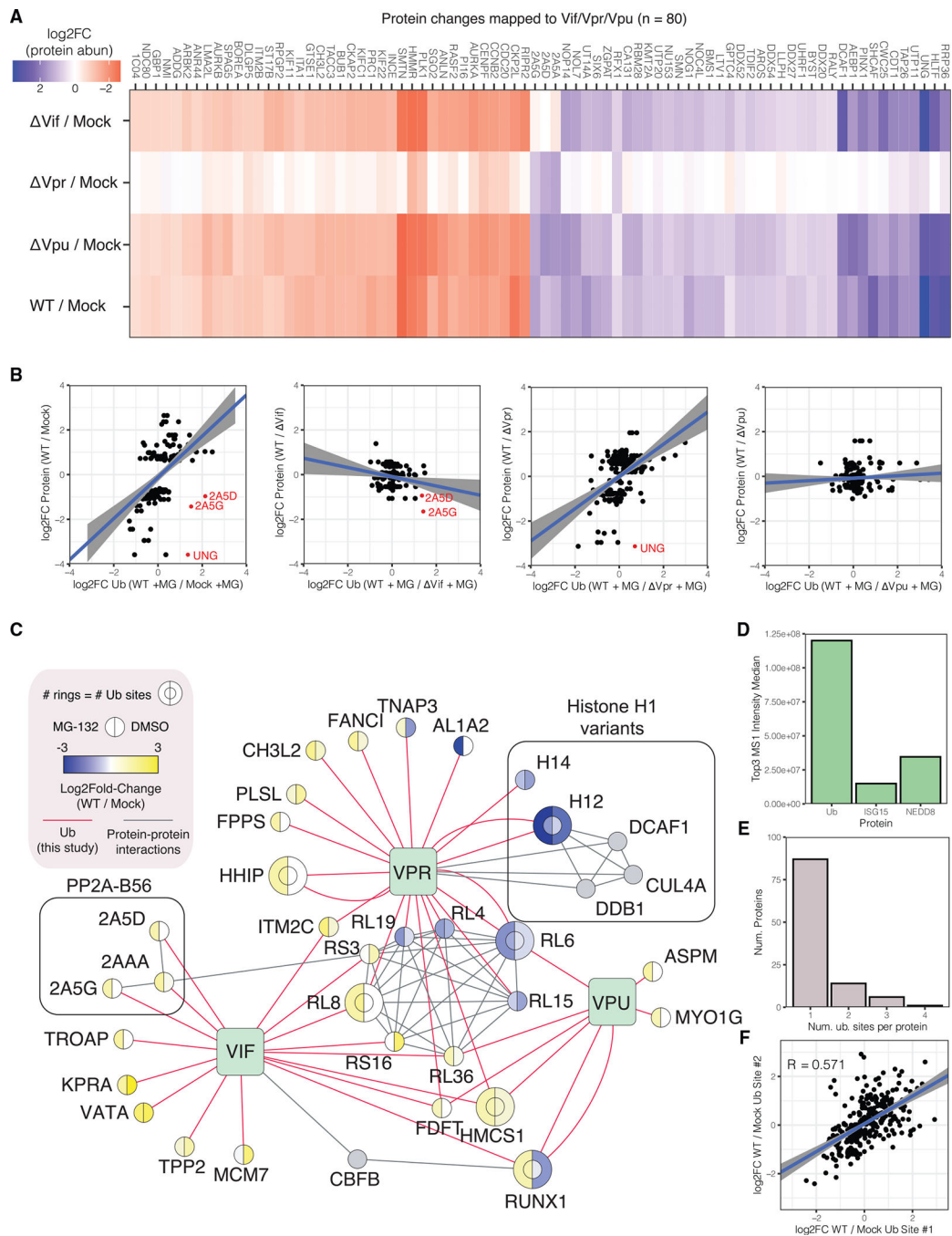


Figure 2. HIV-1 accessory protein-dependent changes in protein abundance and ubiquitination
 (A) Heatmap of log₂ fold changes by comparison for differentially abundant proteins that could be mapped to a specific HIV-1 accessory protein.
 (B) Scatterplots of ubiquitination changes (in the presence of proteasome inhibition) versus protein abundance changes for proteins in (A).
 (C) Network view of putative Vif-, Vpr-, and Vpu-dependent ubiquitination. See legend for node and edge definitions.

(D) Top 3 MS1 intensity analysis of ubiquitin and ubiquitin-like proteins ISG15 and NEDD8.

(E) Bar graph of the number of proteins with N differentially abundant ubiquitination sites in the WT/mock comparison.

(F) Scatterplot of ubiquitination \log_2 fold changes for multiply, differentially ubiquitinated proteins in the WT/mock comparison. Each point represents the \log_2 fold change of a ubiquitination site versus the next consecutive ubiquitination site in the protein sequence. See also Table S3.

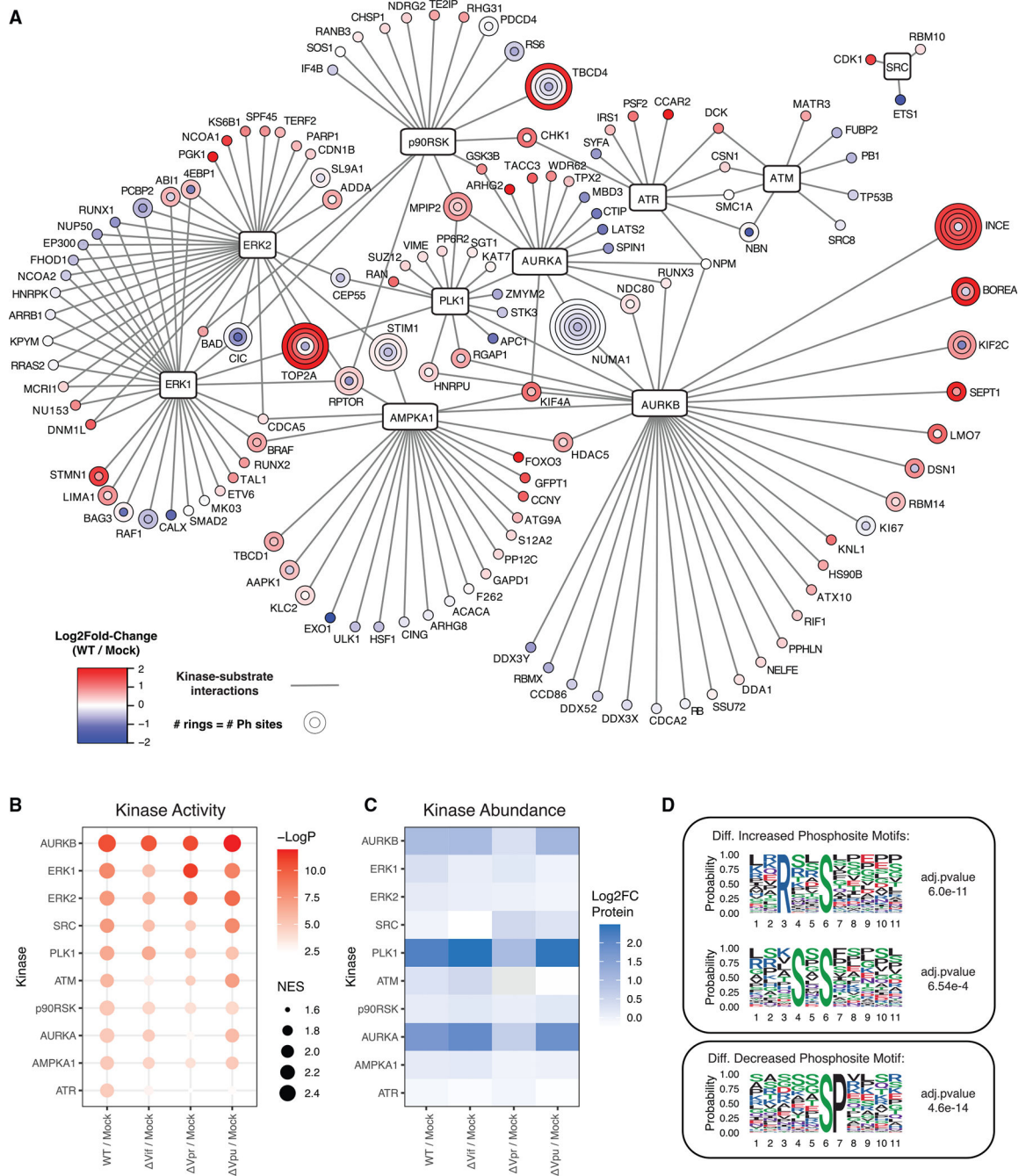


Figure 3. Phosphoproteomics analysis reveals a requirement for perturbations of Aurora kinase activity in HIV-1 infection

(A) Kinase-substrate network for the 10 most significantly regulated kinases in the WT/mock comparison. See legend for node definitions.

(B) Dot plot of the 10 most significantly regulated kinases across all comparisons.

(C) Heatmap of protein abundance log₂ fold changes for the top 10 most significantly regulated kinases across all comparisons.

(D) Logo representations of motifs identified to be overrepresented in differentially increased and decreased phosphosites by MoMo/Motif-X.

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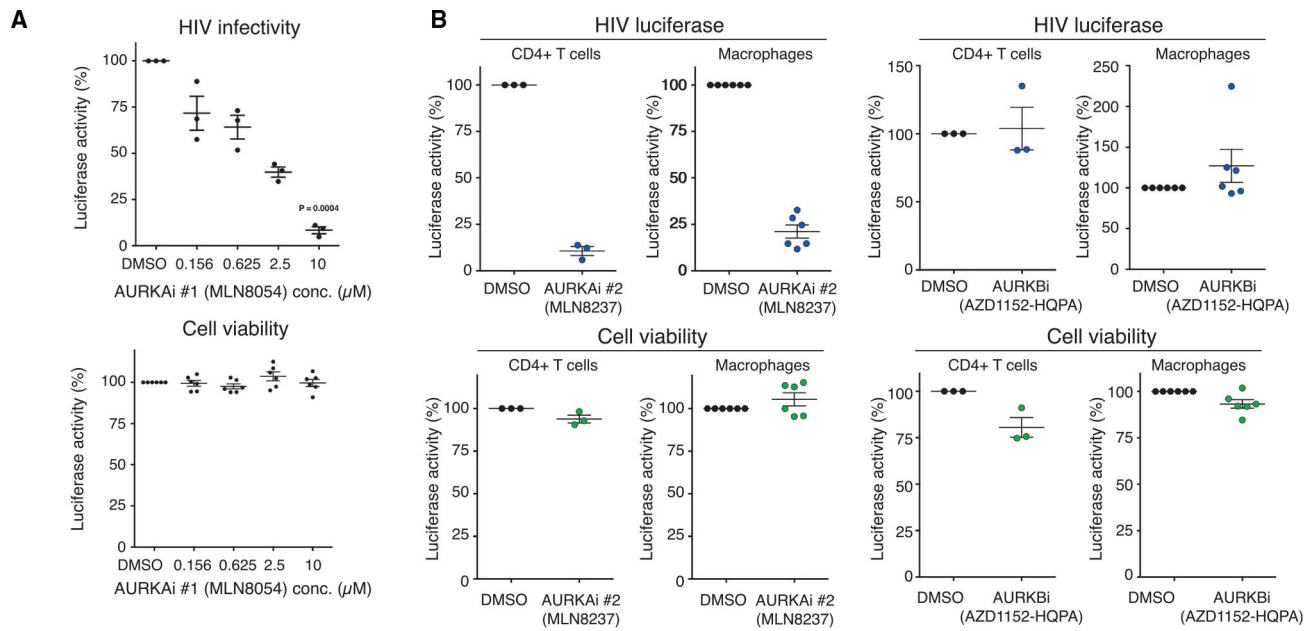


Figure 4. Aurora kinase activity is required for productive HIV-1 infection in primary CD4+ T cell and monocyte-derived macrophages

(A) HIV-1 infectivity (n = 3 donors) and cell viability (n = 5 donors) in response to MLN8054 titration in human primary CD4+ T cells, normalized to DMSO control.

(B) HIV-1 infectivity and cell viability in response to MLN8237 and AZD1152-HPQ treatment in human primary CD4+ T cells (n = 3 donors) and monocyte-derived macrophages (n = 5 donors), normalized to DMSO control.

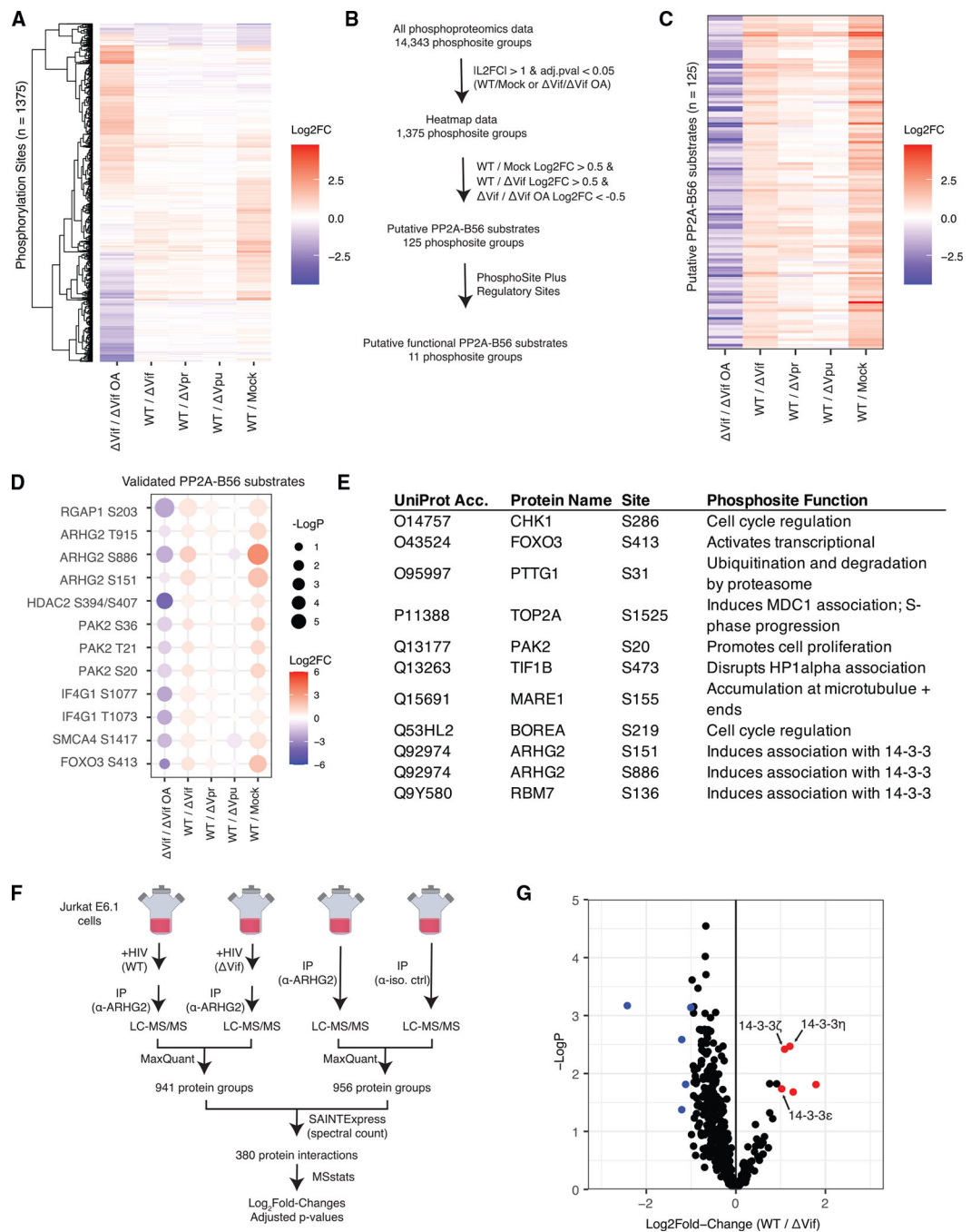


Figure 5. Phosphoproteomics identification of putative PP2A-B56 substrates in the context of HIV-1 infection

(A) Heatmap of \log_2 fold changes for phosphorylation site groups that were differentially abundant in at least one comparison with no missing values.

(B) Schematic of data filtering process to identify putative PP2A-B56 substrates with defined regulatory functions.

(C) Heatmap of \log_2 fold changes for putative PP2A-B56 substrates.

(D) Dot plot of validated PP2A-B56 substrates.

(E) Table of regulatory functions annotated for putative PP2A-B56 substrates in the PhosphoSitePlus regulatory dataset.

(F) Schematic of experimental and data analysis workflows for ARHG2 interaction analysis in the context of HIV-1 infection (n = 3 biological replicates).

(G) Volcano plot of changes in ARHG2 IP-MS experiments. Protein group changes that were differentially increased and decreased are in red and blue, respectively. See also Tables S5 and S6 and Figure S6.

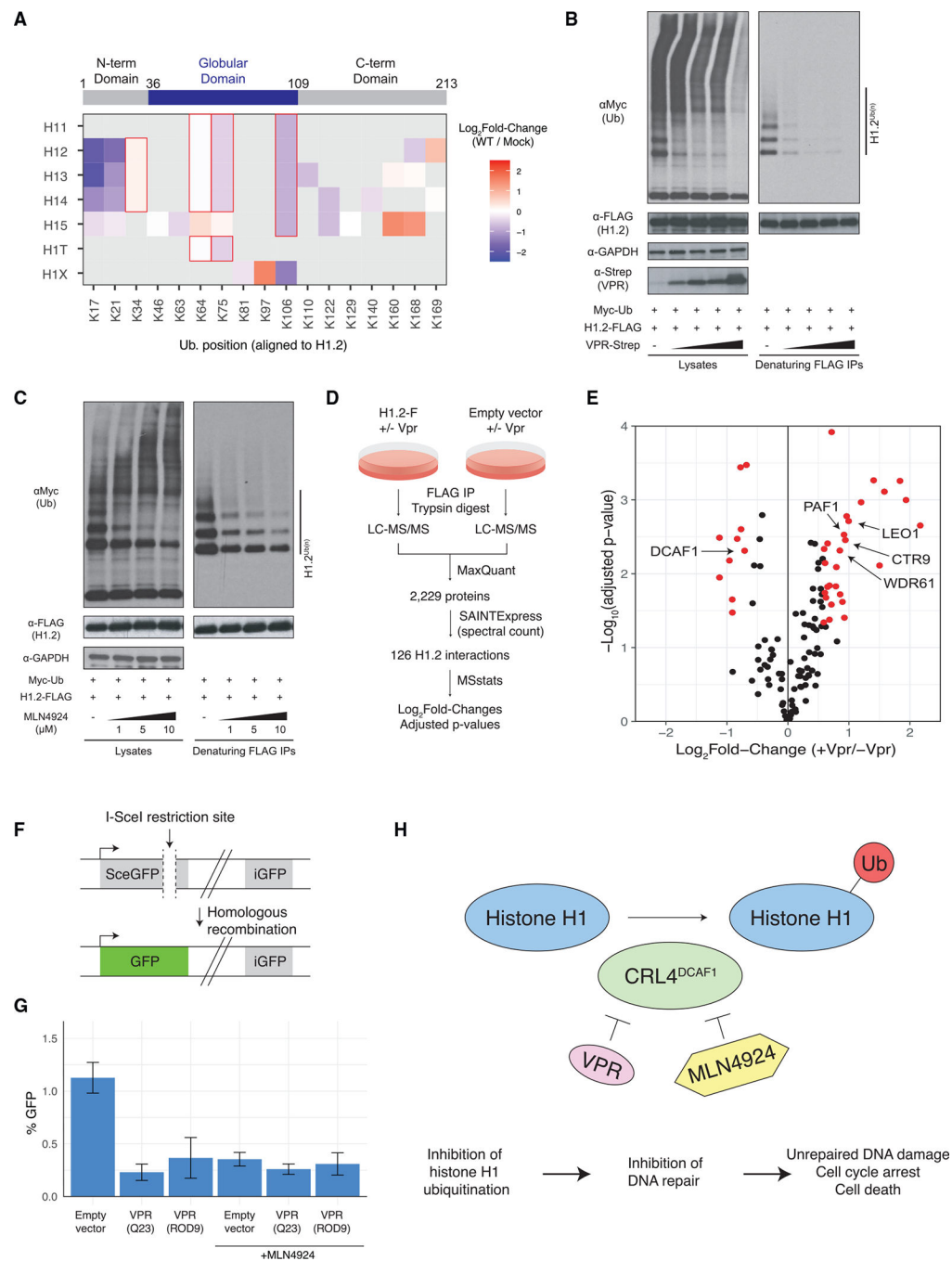


Figure 6. Vpr inhibits ubiquitination of histone H1 variants by CRL4DCAF1

(A) Schematic of histone h1 protein domains (top; positions indicated are for histone H1.2). Heatmap of ubiquitination changes on histone H1 variants. All sites are aligned to the sequence positions of histone H1.2. Cells with a red outline were identified by peptides that cannot distinguish between histone variants.

(B) Denaturing ubiquitin immunoprecipitation analysis of histone H1.2 with Vpr titration.

(C) Denaturing ubiquitin immunoprecipitation analysis of histone H1.2 with MLN4924 titration.

(D) Schematic of experimental and data analysis workflows for quantitative AP-MS analysis of histone H1.2 in the presence and absence of Vpr co-expression.

(E) Volcano plot of histone H1.2 protein binding changes in response to Vpr expression. Proteins with $|\log_2 \text{fold change}| > 0.58$ (i.e., 1.5-fold change) and adjusted p value < 0.05 are highlighted in red.

(F) Schematic of a fluorescence-based assay for HDR of DNA double-strand breaks.

(G) HDR assay of cells in response to VPR expression and MLN4924 treatment. Bar heights represent an average of three biological replicates and error bars indicate the standard deviation (n = 3 biological replicates).

(H) A model for HIV-1 VPR-mediated inhibition of histone H1 ubiquitination, DNA repair, cell-cycle arrest, and cell death.

See also Table S7 and Figure S7.

KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
Antibodies		
Ubiquitin Remnant Motif (K-e-GG) immunoaffinity beads	Cell Signaling	Cat# 5562
Rabbit Anti-GEF-H1 (ARHG2) antibody	Abcam	RRID:AB_2818944
Rabbit IgG, polyclonal (isotype control) antibody	Abcam	RRID:AB_2631996
Mouse Anti-Myc-HRP antibody	Thermo Fisher	Cat# R951-25; RRID:AB_2314045
Rabbit Anti-FLAG antibody	Sigma	Cat# F7425; RRID:AB_439687
Mouse Anti-GAPDH antibody	Sigma	Cat# G8795; RRID:AB_1078991
Mouse Anti-FLAG M2 magnetic beads	Sigma	Cat# M8823; RRID:AB_2637089
Mouse Anti-Strep II	Sigma	Cat# 71590-M; RRID:AB_10807650
Mouse Anti-HIV-1 p24 FITC-conjugated (KC57) antibody	Beckman Coulter	Cat# 6604665; RRID:AB_1575987
Anti-CD3/CD28 magnetic beads	Thermo Fisher	Cat# 11131D
Bacterial and virus strains		
NEB5alpha competent E. coli	NEB	C2987
Biological samples		
Buffy coats	Blood Centers of the Pacific	N/A
Chemicals, peptides, and recombinant proteins		
Trypsin (sequencing grade)	Promega	V5111
MLN8237	Selleckchem	S1133
MLN8054	Selleckchem	S1100
AZD1152-HQPA	Selleckchem	S1147
MLN4924	Selleckchem	S7109
iRT peptides	Biognosys	iRT Kit
Critical commercial assays		
HIV-1 p24 ELISA	Abcam	Ab218268
Deposited data		
Mass spectrometry data	Proteomics Identification Database (PRIDE)	PXD032085
Experimental models: Cell lines		
Jurkat E6-1	ATCC	TIB-152
293T	ATCC	CRL-3216
U2OS	ATCC	HTB-96
Recombinant DNA		
pNL4-3	NIH AIDS Reagent Program	ARP-114
pNL4-3 IRES-eGFP Nef+ (pBR43IeG-nef+)	NIH AIDS Reagent Program	ARP-11349
pcDNA4-Histone H1.2-3xFLAG	Krogan Lab	N/A
pcDNA4-Myc-Ubiquitin	Krogan Lab	N/A
pcDNA4-Vpr-Strep	Krogan Lab	N/A
pNL4-3 Env	Krogan Lab	N/A
pNL4-3 Env/ Vif	Krogan Lab	N/A
pNL4-3 Env/ Vpr	Krogan Lab	N/A

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
pNL4-3 Env/ Vpu	Krogan Lab	N/A
pMD2.G (VSV-G)	Addgene (via Didier Trono Lab)	12259
Software and algorithms		
MaxQuant (version 2.6.8)	MaxQuant.org (Cox and Mann, 2008)	N/A
Spectronaut (version 14)	Biognosys (Bruderer et al., 2015)	N/A
MSstats (version 4)	Bioconductor (Choi et al., 2014)	N/A
Other		
ReproSil-Pur 120 C18 AQ-1.9 packing material	ESI Source Solutions	r119.aq.0001
Ni-NTA Agarose	QIAGEN	30210
EasySep Human CD4+ T cell isolation kit	Stemcell Technologies	17952
SepPak tC18 3cc desalting cartridges, 200 mg	Waters	WAT054925