Protein Chip Development and Applications

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- Background in Proteomics
- Protein Chip Development
- Application in Basic Research
- Applications in Clinical Research

Background in Proteomics

Progresses in Proteomics

Protein profiling
  2D-MS, analytical protein chip
High-throughput protein localization
  Transposon vs GFT
Biochemical Genomics
  Pooling strategy
Large-scale protein interaction mapping
  Y2H and protein complex coupled w/ MS
Transcription factor-DNA interaction
  ChIP-chip
High throughput biochemistry assays
  Functional protein chips

Why Microarrays?

Higher Sensitivity

Much higher throughput

More flexibility

Less sample consumption

Quantitation

Direct target detection

Protein Microarrays

- Protein-Protein Interactions
- Protein Modification and Regulation
- Serum Profiling
- Signaling Pathways
- Drug Discovery

Comparison of Interaction Proteomics

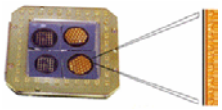
Approach	Application	Advantage	Disadvantage
Yeast two-hybrid	Protein-protein interactions Protein-DNA interactions	High-throughput and systematic to reveal protein interactions	No control over interaction condition; Interactions are usually in the nucleus
Affinity tagging/MS	Dissecting protein complexes	In vivo interactions that involve multiple partners	May miss transient or weak interactions, hard to identify false positives
Antibody array	Protein profiling, protein detection, clinical diagnostics	Very sensitive and low sample consumption, great potential in biomarker and drug development	Highly restricted by the quantity and quality of available antibodies; semi-quantitative protein detection
Functional protein array	Diverse, e. g. protein-protein, protein-lipid, protein-small molecule, enzyme-substrate interactions as well as drug discovery and posttranslational modifications	Great potentials for analyzing biochemical activities of proteins and high-throughput drug and drug target screening	In vitro assays
Peptide array	Enzyme-substrate interaction and drug discovery	Sensitive and straightforward to identify epitopes	Expensive to fabricate; in vitro assays
Carbohydrate array	Carbohydrate-mediated molecular recognition and anti-infection response	A new and sensitive way to study carbohydrate-mediated molecular events	In vitro arrays; tough to acquire carbohydrate molecules in pure forms
Small molecule array	Protein-small molecule interaction, drug discovery, enzyme specificity profiling	Minimum small molecule consumption and high sensitivity	In vitro assays; necessary to improve throughput to cover 10^6 molecules in a normal combinatorial chemistry library

❖ Protein Chip Development

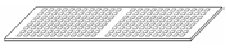
Protein Chip Fabrication

- High Quality clone collection
- High throughput protein production
- Surface structure on chips
- Surface chemistry
- Storage

Surface Structure

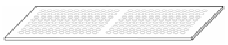


Porous Surface



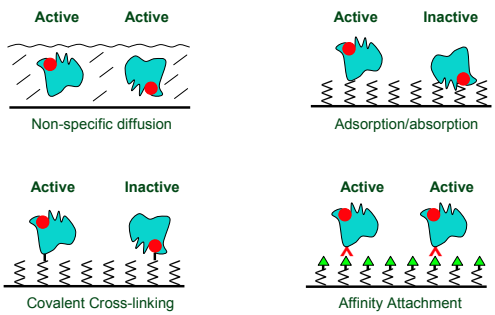
3-D Surface Structure

Nanowell



Plain Glass Surface

Chemically Modified Surface



Common Surfaces to Immobilize Proteins

Covalent linkage

Adsorption absorption

Affinity-based linkage

Comparison of Surface Chemistry

Surface	Attachment	Advantage	Disadvantage
PVDF	Adsorption and Absorption	No protein modification requirement, high protein binding capacity	Non-specific protein attachment in random orientation
Nitrocellulose	Adsorption and Absorption	No protein modification requirement, high protein binding capacity	Non-specific binding, high background. Low-density arrays
Poly-lysine coated	Adsorption	No protein modification requirement	Non-specific adsorption
Aldehyde-activated	Covalent cross-linking	High-density and strong protein attachment. High-resolution detection methods available	Random orientation of surface attached proteins
Epoxy-activated	Covalent cross-linking	High-density and strong protein attachment. High-resolution detection methods available	Random orientation of surface attached proteins
Avidin coated	Affinity binding	Strong, specific and high- density protein attachment, low-background	Proteins have to be biotinylated
Ni-NTA coated	Affinity binding	Strong, specific and high-density protein attachment, low-background, uniform orientation of surface attached proteins	Proteins have to be Hisx6 tagged
Gold-coated silicon	Covalent cross-linking	Strong and high-density protein attachment, low-background. Can be easily coupled with SPR and Mass-spectrometry	Random orientation of surface attached proteins, tough to fabricate, not commercially available
PDMS nanowell	Covalent cross-linking	Strong and high-density protein attachment, well suited for sophisticated biochemical analyses	Random orientation of surface attached proteins
3-D gel pad and agarose thin film	Diffusion	High protein binding capacity, no protein modification requirement.	Tough to fabricate, not commercially available
DNA/RNA coated	Hybridization.	Strong, specific and high-density protein attachment, low-background, uniform orientation of surface attached proteins.	Sophisticated in vitro production of labeled proteins

Comparison of Detection Methods

Detection	Probe labeling	Data acquirement	Real time	Resolution
ELISA	Enzyme-linked antibodies	CCD imaging	No	Low
Isotropic labeling	Radio isotope-labeled analyte	X-ray film or phosphaimager	No	High
Sandwich immunoassay	Fluorescently-labeled antibodies	Laser scanning	No	High
SPR	Not necessary	Refractive index change	Yes	Low
Non-contact AFM	Not necessary	Surface topological change	No	High
Planar waveguide	Fluorescently-labeled antibodies	CCD imaging	Yes	High
Silicon biosensor	Fluorescently-labeled antibodies	CCD imaging	Yes	High
SELDI	Not necessary	Mass spectrometry	No	Low
Electro-chemical	Metal-coupled analyte	Conductivity measurement	Yes	Medium

❖ Application in Basic Research

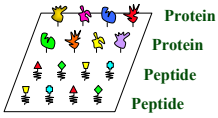
Protein Microarrays Are of Two Types

Analytical

Serum probes
Cell lysates
Living cells

Protein expression level
Protein profiling
Diagnostics

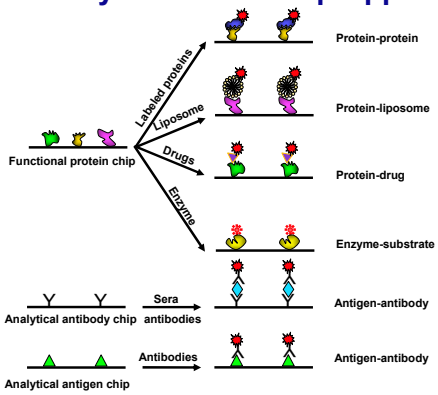
Functional



Protein probes
Nucleic acid probes
Drug probes
Enzymes

Protein binding properties
Pathway building
Posttranslational modification
Drug discovery

Summary of Protein Chip Applications



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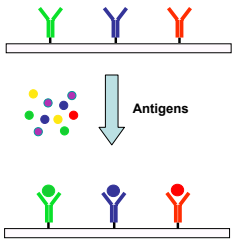
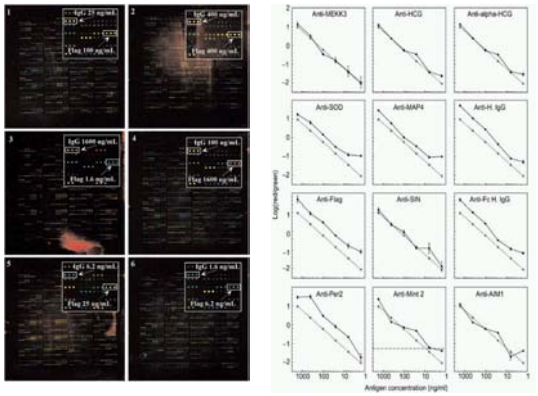
Antibody Chip





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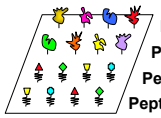

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Drug probes
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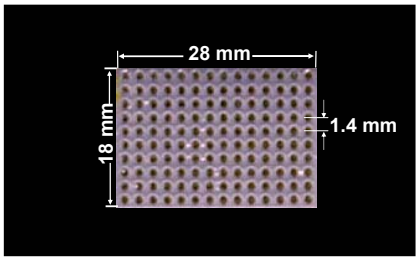
Pathway building
Posttranslational modification
Drug discovery

Key points

Clone collection
- Cloning strategy
- Yeast, *C. elegans*, humans

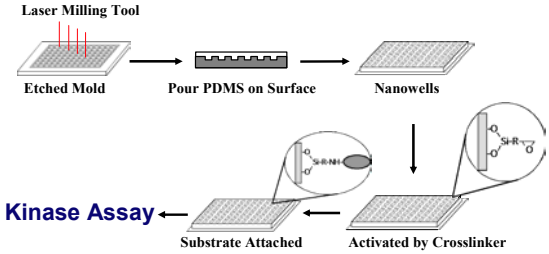
Protein production
- Hosts for making proteins
- Affinity tags
- In vitro system

Nanowell Chip

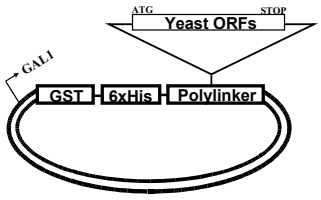


- Round shape wells
- 1.4 mm diameter
- 300 micron depth
- 2.0 mm pitch
- 300 nl volume

Nanowell Chips and Protein Attachment

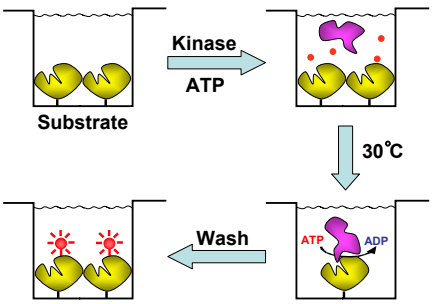


Modified GST Expression Vector pEGH



2μ Plasmid Vector

Kinase-Substrate Assays on Nanowell Chips



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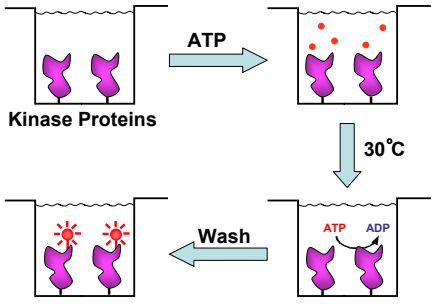
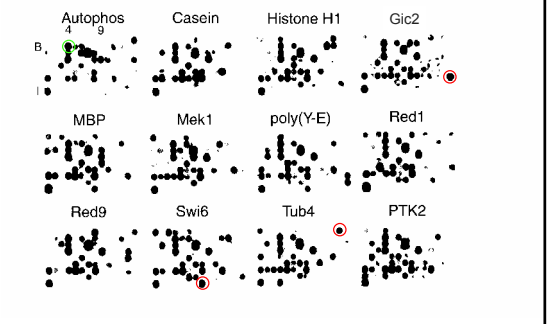
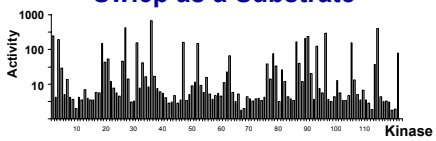


Kinase Assays Using Protein Chips



Swi6p as a Substrate



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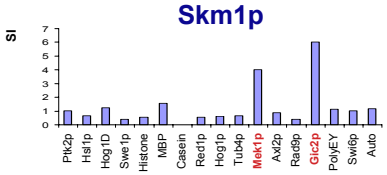
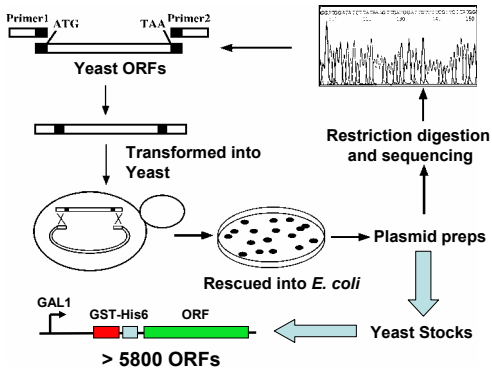


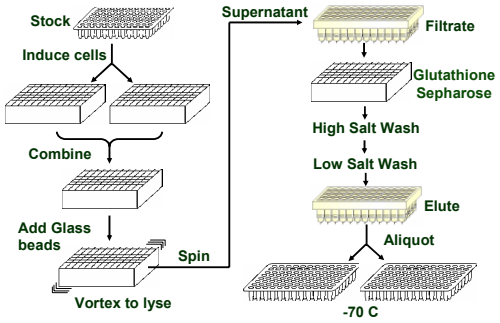
❖ Yeast Proteome

- 6282 Protein Coding Genes
- 4042 Characterized
- 2244 Uncharacterized
  - 334 Homologs
  - 1910 Unique

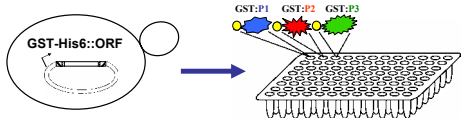
Cloning Strategy



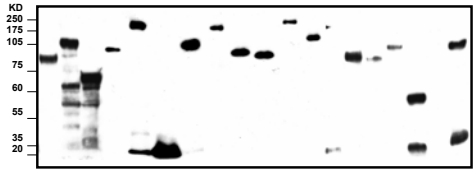
96-Well Yeast Protein Purification



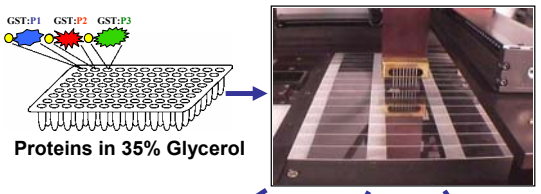
Producing the Yeast Proteome



5800 expression clones 93.7% ~80% full-length proteins



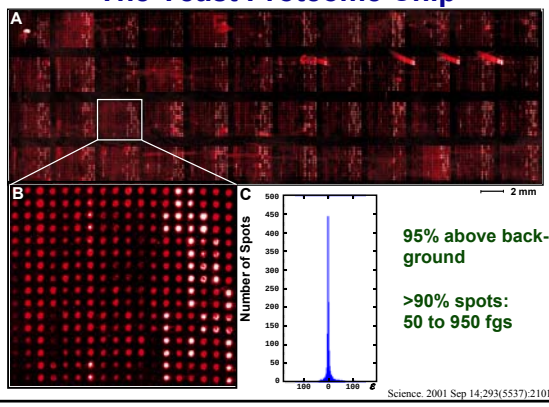
Printing the Yeast Proteome



Proteins in 35% Glycerol

Protein-Protein Protein-Lipid Protein-DNA

The Yeast Proteome Chip



95% above back-ground

>90% spots: 50 to 950 fgs

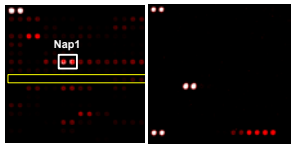
Science. 2001 Sep 14;293(5537):2101-5

Types of Assays Developed

- Protein-protein
- Protein-antibody
- Protein-lipid
- Protein-DNA/RNA
- Protein-drug
- Protein-small molecule
- Phosphorylation
- Acetylation
- Ubiquitinylation
- Glycosylation

Antibody Probing of the Yeast Proteome Microarray

	Antibody	# of +s
Monoclonal (3 Yeast + 3 Control)	α-Sed3, α-Cox4	1
	α-Pep12	4
Anti-Peptide Polyclonal (6)	α-Hda1	8
	α-Mad2	1
Anti-FL Protein Polyclonal (2)	α-Nap1	1770
	α-Cdc11	7



Anti-Nap1 Anti-Sed3p

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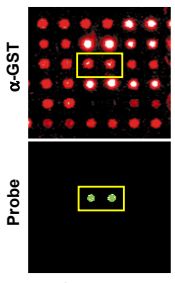
Calmodulin-Binding Proteins



Calmodulin

- 12 Known or Suspected Targets
- 33 New Binding Proteins
- Derived New Consensus Binding Site

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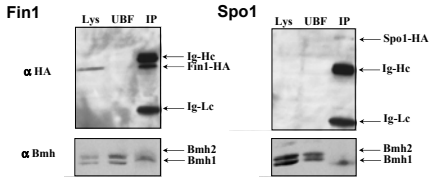
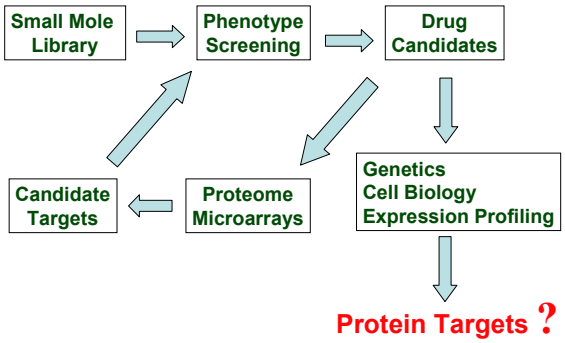
Validation of Bmh1,2 Targets

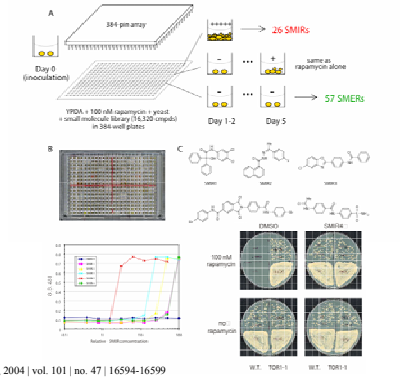
- ~140 *in vitro* targets
- 4 of 5 targets verified co-IP.
- All 4 IP preferentially with Bmh1



Drug Discovery and Target Validation



SMIR3 & 4 Function in Tor1/2 Pathway



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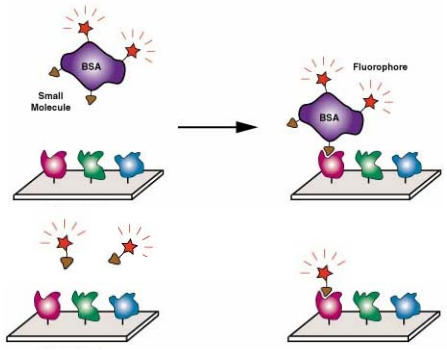
Protein Chips in Drug Discovery



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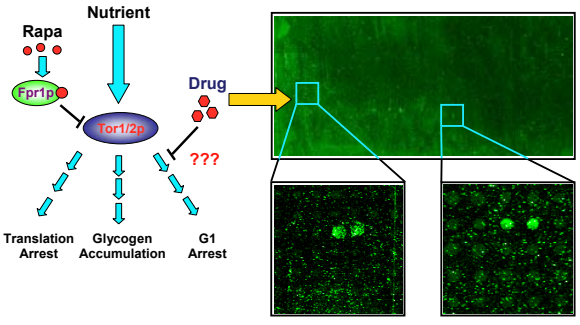
Identification of Drug Targets



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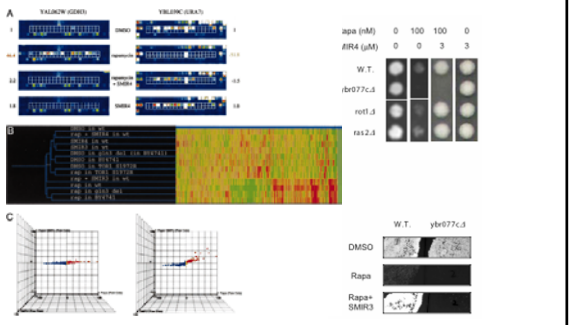

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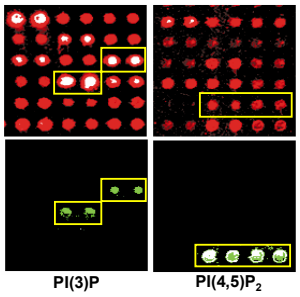
Probed with PC & 5 PIs, PI(3)P, PI(4)P, PI(3,4)P_2, PI(4,5)P_2, PI(3,4,5)P_3

1% Biotinylated DHPE

94% PC

5% Phosphotidyl-inositide



PI(3)P PI(4,5)P_2

150 lipid binding proteins
52 Uncharacterized

98 Known function
45 Membrane, 8 lipid metabolism

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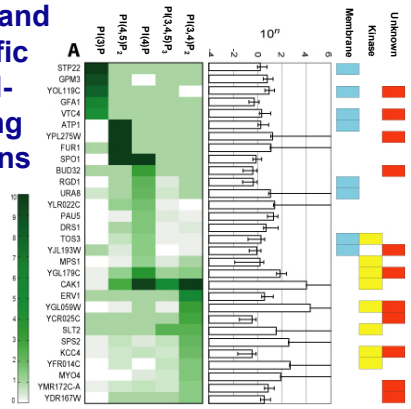
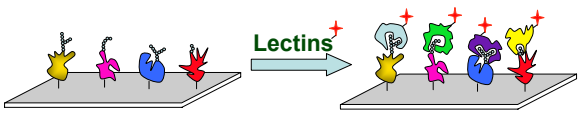
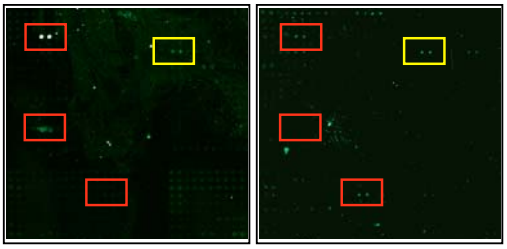
Strong and Specific Lipid-Binding Proteins



Detection of Posttranslational Modification



Detection of Sugar Modifications at the Proteome Level



PSA Probing
Mannose and Glucose

WGA Probing
N-Acetyl Glucosamine

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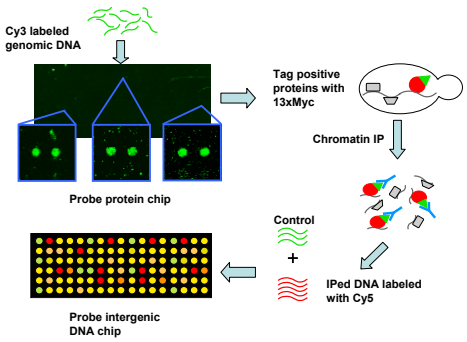
Identification of DNA Binding Proteins



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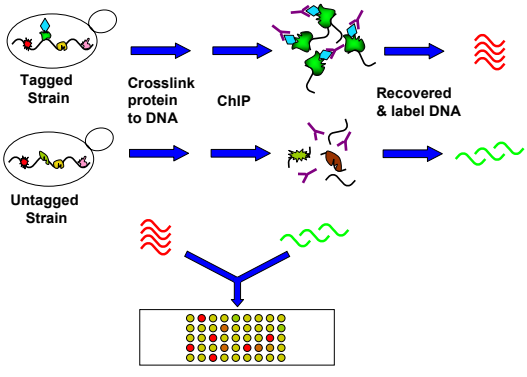
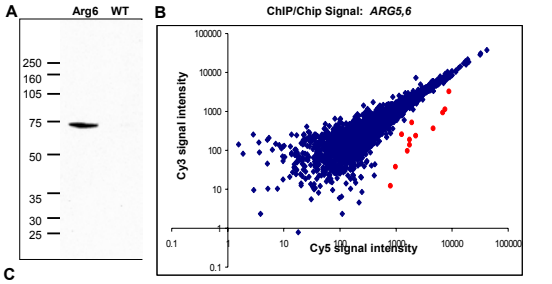
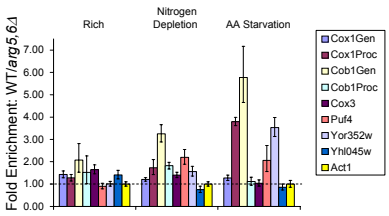


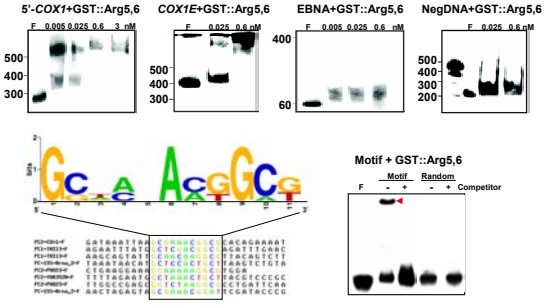


Fragment	18S rRNA2	PC1 COB	PC2 COX1	PC4 COX1	PC6 COX1	PC8 COX1	PC2 YOR352W	PC2 PHO23	PC1 THI13	PC YHL045W	PC PUF4	Negative Control
Fold Enrichment	10.1±8.6	3.9±2.0	22.0±7.9	3.7±2.2	13.8±12.0	4.5±0.2	8.5±3.6	8.4±4.1	>30	2.0±0.4	3.8±2.3	1.0±0.1

COX1 Expression Is Regulated by Arg5,6



Arg5,6 Binds Mitochondrial DNA



Posttranslational Modification

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- Dephosphorylation
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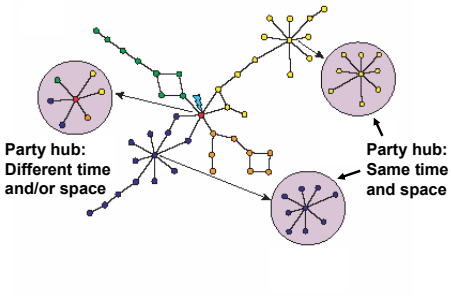
- Ubiquitinylation
- Glycosylation

Network Biology



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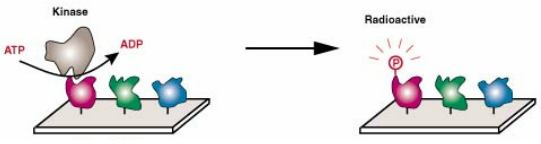
Kinase Assays on Protein Chips



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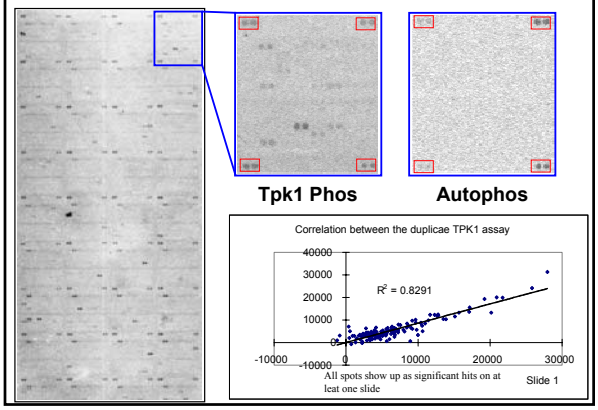
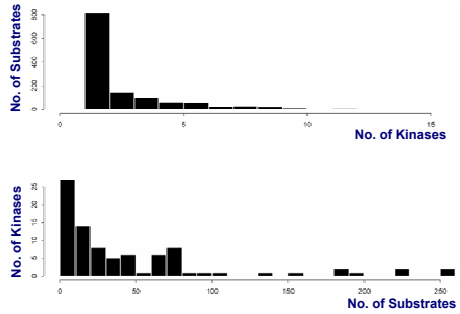
Identification of Kinase Substrates

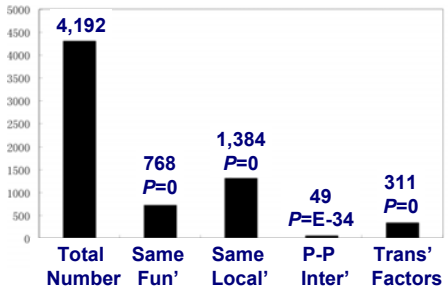


Kinase Assays Are Specific

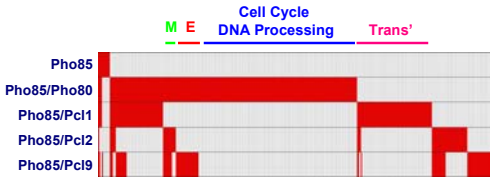


Average No. = 47, ranging from 1 to 256
73% substrates were recognized by fewer than 3 kinases

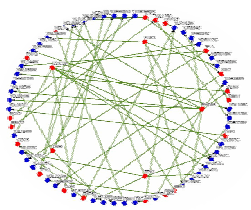
Kinases Often Recognize Functional Classes of Protein Substrates



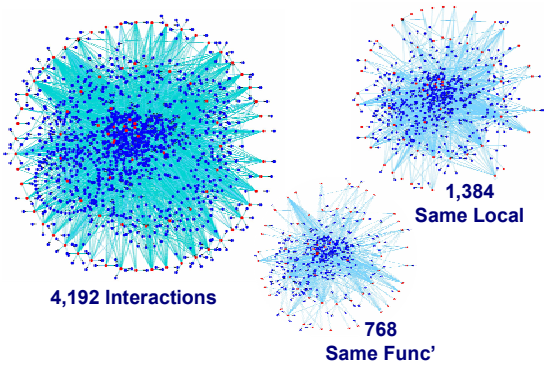
Related Kinases Recognize Different Substrates



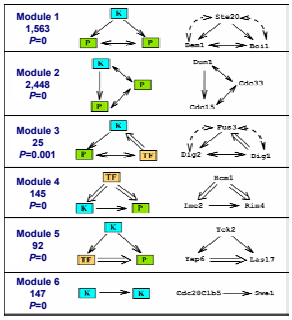
Previously Known Kinase-Substrate Interactions in Yeast



Phosphorylation Network in Yeast

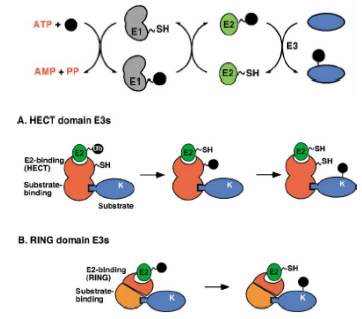


New Regulatory Modules Are Revealed



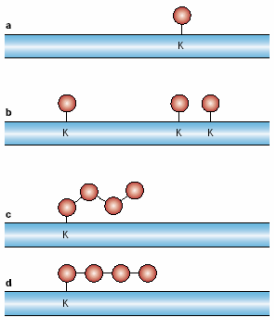
K Kinase
P Protein
TF Transcription Factors
→ Phosphorylation
⇒ Transcriptional Regulation
↔ Protein-Protein Interaction

Ubiquitinylation Requires Three Enzymes Sequentially



Cecile Pickart, Cell 116:181-90, 2004

Versatile Ubiquitin – Different Functions For Different Length And Position

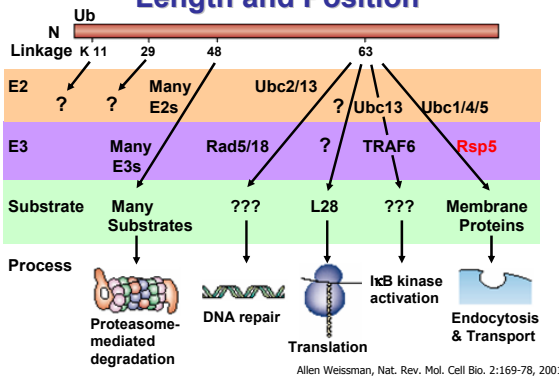


Mono-Ub:
protein sorting
protein-protein interaction
virus budding

Poly-Ub:
K48: protein degradation (26S proteasome)
K63: IKK activation
protein sorting
DNA repair
K29: protein degradation (26S proteasome)

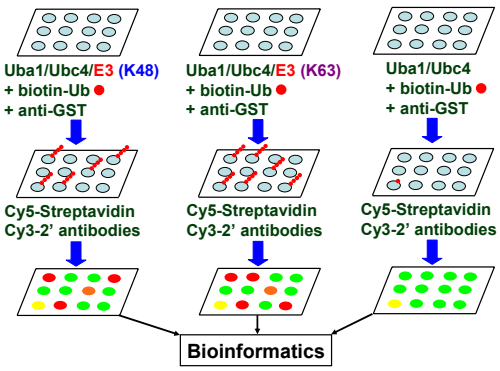
Linda Hicke, Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell Bio. 2:195-201, 2001

Different Functions for Different Length and Position

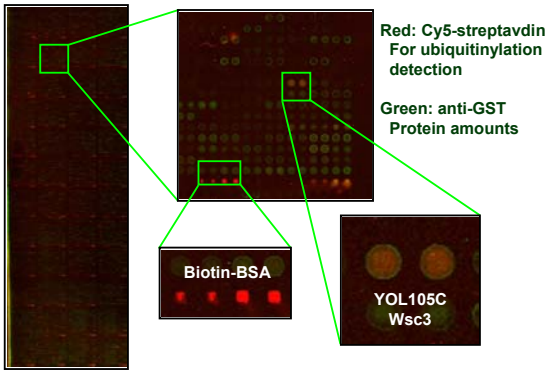


Allen Weissman, Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell Bio. 2:169-78, 2001

Strategy to Identify HECT substrates



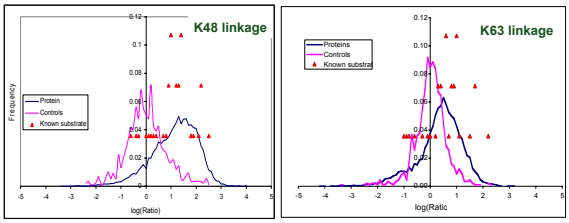
Ubiquitinylation by Rsp5 + K63 Ub



Red: Cy5-streptavdin
For ubiquitinylation detection

Green: anti-GST
Protein amounts

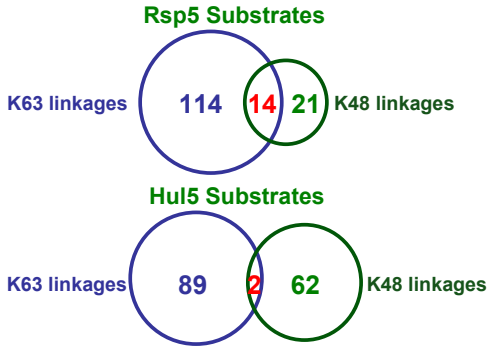
Histogram



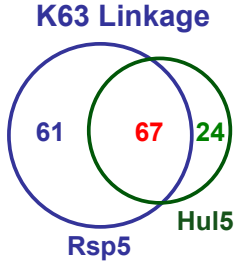
Rsp5+Ub K48/Ub K48 control

Rsp5+Ub K63/Ub K63 control

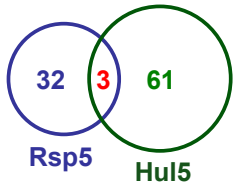
Top Substrates of Rsp5 and Hul5



Many Substrates of Rsp5 and Hul5 Are Shared in K63 Linkage



Few Substrates of Rsp5 and Hul5 Are Shared in K48 Linkage



Top Candidate Substrates – Rsp5 With Both Forms of Ubiquitin

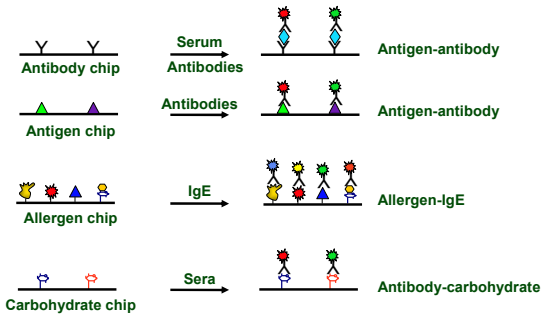
Gene	Protein	Domain	Function	Binding with Rsp5
YDL070W	Bdf2	bromo-domain	transcription factor (predicted)	
YHR097C			PIP3 binding	
YJL084C		Arrestin	unknown	
YMR275C	Bul1		Ub-dependent protein degradation	yes
YMR316W	Dia1		unknown	yes
YOR042W	Cue5	Cue	monoubiquitin binding	
YPR030W	Csr2		Galactose transport?	

Top Candidate Substrates – Rsp5 With Ub K63 Only (Specific?)

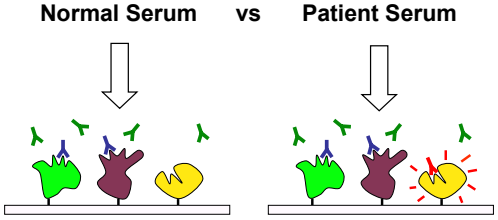
Gene	Protein	Domain	Function	Binding with Rsp5
YJL031C	Bet4		CAAX-protein GG-transferase	
YML013W	Sel1	UBX	protein sorting, Ub-dependent protein degradation	
YMR140W	Sip5		unknown	
YNL094W	App1		actin cytoskeleton assembly	no, but bind to Rvs167
YPR154W	Pin3	SH3	actin cytoskeleton assembly	

❖ Applications in Clinical Research

Applications in Clinical Diagnostics



Serum Profiling



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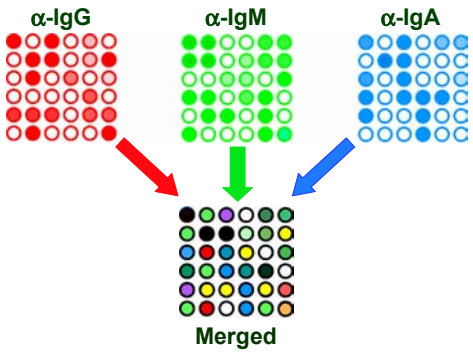

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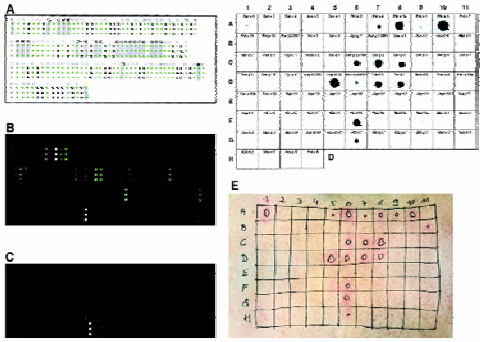

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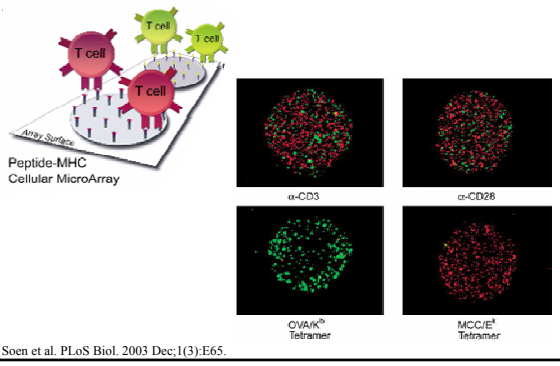
MHC Chips to Profile T Cells



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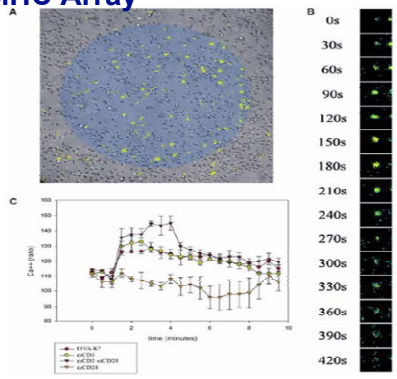
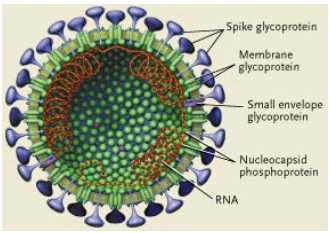
Activation of OT-1 Lymphocytes on an MHC Array



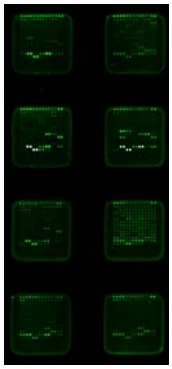
SARS Coronavirus



Virol J. 2005 Apr 15;2(1):35.

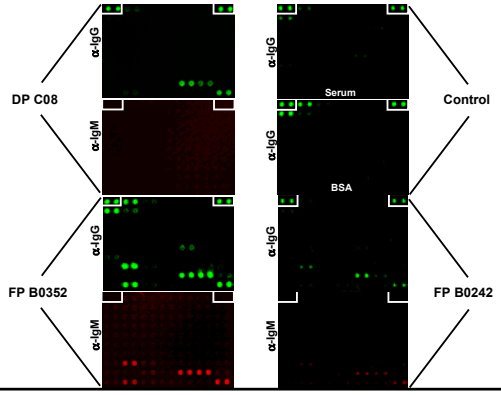
- RNA virus
- spherical in shape
- club-shaped peplomers
- HCV:
  - SARS
  - 229E
  - OC43

Experimental design



- **Cloning:**
  - SARS-CoV: Human
  - 229E : Human
  - OC43: Human
  - FIPV: Cats
  - MHVA59: Mouse
- **Expression:**
  - Yeast and *E. coli.*

Serum Probing on Coronaviral Chips



SARS Patients Tested

Three Datasets:

- China I (**56**): Sera from recovered patients
- China II (**150**): Fever patients
- Toronto (**350**): Fever patients

Toronto Dataset:

-521 probings { 493 good { 262 normal / 231 SARS
28 bad – will be repeated

-65 unique features
protein fragments from 5 viruses

Hierarchical Clustering