Proteomics as a tool for biomarker discovery

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What is PROTEOME and PROTEOMICS?

"PROTEOME" =

PROTEin complement to a gen**OME** (Marc Wilkins in 1994)

The full set of proteins comprising the structural, metabolic, and regulatory machinery of a cell, tissue, or organism



PROTEOMICS (1997)

Proteomics is a large-scale comprehensive study of a specific proteome, including information on protein abundances, their variations and modifications, along with their interacting partners and networks, in order to understand cellular processes.

Why PROTEOMICS? Unique views vs GENETICS/GENOMICS

>While genes are the "recipes" of the cell, **proteins are ultimately the functional players** that drive both normal and disease physiology

>Protein abundance and function is modulated at several levels from transcription to post-translation and very little of this can be predicted from a simple analysis of nucleic acids alone

>Many proteins form complexes with other proteins or RNA molecules, and only function in the presence of these other molecules

>One gene can encode more than one protein

through alternative splicing or alternative posttranslational modifications

>Post-translational modifications

(phosphorilation, glycosylation, acetylation) that profoundly affect protein activities and function

>Proteins concentration poorly correlate with mRNA abundance, transcribed from DNA





Clinical proteomics is a sub-discipline of proteomics that involves the application of proteomic technologies on clinical specimens to identify unique bio-signatures or biomarkers responsible for the diagnosis, prognosis and therapeutic prediction of such disease.

Biomarkers are biological molecules found in blood, other body fluids, or tissues that are a sign of a normal or abnormal process, or of a condition or disease. They may also be used to see how well the body responds to a treatment for a disease or condition.

Principle of proteomic technologies



ACQUITY UPLC M-Class/ Synapt G2-Si System introduction

Ultra Performance Liquid Chromatography (UPLC) + hybrid quadrupole/orthogonal acceleration,

- Flow rates from 200 nL/min to 100 μ L/min
- Max operation pressure 1034 bar (15,000 psi)

time-of-flight (oa-TOF) mass spectrometer



Synapt G2-Si overview



50,000 at 1000 m/z

Mass resolution:

35,000 at 3500 m/zLLOQ: 25 fg Mass accuracy: < 1ppm 4 orders of magnitude **Dynamic Range**:

20- 32000 m/z



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- Powerful data independent & data dependent solutions
- Superior separation with high-efficiency T-Wave IMS

Wide range of experimental options

Data dependent (DDA) acquisition

DDA principles

The most abundant ionized species are selected for subsequent isolation and tandem mass analysis

DDA limitations:

- restricted dynamic range of the proteome due to threshold minimum requirement for ion selection
- (2) non-reproducible nature of peptides detected in replicate analyses of the same sample



Fragment Spectra

Data independent (DIA) acquisition

DIA principles

Do not use real-time ion selection based on precursor ion scans to obtain searchable spectra for peptide identification.

Predetermined m/z ranges are interrogated either:

(1) by fragmenting all ions entering the MS at a single point in chromatographic time

(2) by dividing the full m/zrange into fixed smaller m/zisolation windows that are each independently and consecutively analyzed



ALL TOGETHER NOW: In data-independent acquisition (DIA), the mass spectrometer isolates all peptides that fall within a relatively wide mass window, subjects all the peptides from that window to fragmentation, and analyzes the masses of all the fragment ions simultaneously. The instrument then processes all of the peptides in each subsequent, nonoverlapping window until the entire mass range of interest has been covered.

DIA advantages:

Wider detectable dynamic range of the proteome and increased accuracy of protein quantification

Waters Data Independent Acquisition (DIA) = MS^E

MS^E principles

Utilizes an LC/MS-TOF and cycled the collision cell energy voltage between a low energy to capture MS information, and a high energy to fragment all incoming precursor ions (MSMS). All precursor and fragment ion information could be captured at multiple points during the elution of a chromatographic peak





Timeline indicating some of the important milestones in the field of data independent tandem mass spectrometry for proteome profiling

Why SYNAPT G2-Si?

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Development of IM and MS



Thomson, J. J.; "Rays of Positive Electricity", Green and Co., London,

Uetrecht et al., Chem. Soc. Rev., 2010, 39, 1633-1655

Ion mobility separation (IMS)

- IMS offers additional dimension of ion separations based on size and shape
- IMS occurs in IMS ion guide in TRIWAVE region
- TRIWAVE region consists of 3 ion guides: trap, IMS and transfer
- Trap and transfer allow fragmentation of ions prior and/or after IMS



Advantages of ion mobility separation – Comparison between MSE and HDMSE



Effect of ion mobility separation in proteomics

- Up to 60% higher proteome coverage and higher confidence of protein and peptide identifications
- Limited linear range of quantitation, compromising quantitation accuracy of high intensity peptides
- > More accurate and precise quantitation of lower intensity precursor ions



Number of protein and peptide identifications unique to MS^{E} (blue) and $HDMS^{E}$ (red) modes, common in both modes (purple), above saturation threshold in $HDMS^{E}$ (black)

Quantification Proteins Shewanella Oneidensis



Waters





Venn intersection of protein identifications from triplicate injections of 500ng E.Coli searched with Mascot with and without wideband enhancement

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Fragmentation options in Synapt G2-Si



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Data processing and analysis









Non-invasive PCa biomarkers in urine – Comparative proteomics analysis of urine (4 groups)



Number of proteins with statistically significant difference in abundance (Anova ≤ 0.05) and fold change of ≥ 1.5





Comparative proteomic analysis of white matter from human postmortem brain – comparison of 3 groups



In silico analysis of the proteins with differential abundance among the SCH, MDD and Control

groups using IPA. The charts represent the top significantly associated:

A) Canonical pathways B) Diseases and Disorders C) Molecular and Cellular Functions D) Physiological System Development and Function



745 proteins Identified based ≥ 2 peptides

Brain cells specificity of the proteins with differential abundance among the SCH, MDD and Control groups

Protein name	Gene	Human brain*											Mouse brain** mRNA				
	name	Protein *															
		CC H LV						С	**		CC						
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Differential abundance in SCH vs Control, SCH vs MDD and MDD vs C	ontrol																
Annexin A2	ANXA2																
Differential abundance in SCH vs Control and SCH vs MDD																	
Alpha-1-acid glycoprotein 1	ORM1					1					Т	Т	Т				
Alpha-1-antichymotrypsin	SERPINA3																
Alpha-1-antitrypsin	SERPINA I																
Fibrinogen beta chain	FGB											Т					
Fibrinogen gamma chain	FGG																
Mitochondrial import receptor subunit TOM70	TOMM70A								T								
Synapsin-1	SYN1	\square															
Synapsin-2	SYN2					N/A											
Synaptotagmin-1	SYT1									Т							
V-type proton ATPase subunit d 1	ATP6V0D1																
Differential abundance in SCH vs Control and MDD vs Control																	
Tubulin alpha-1C chain	TUBAIC				Т												
Differential abundance in SCH vs Control		_					_										
Heat shock protein beta-1	HSPB1																
NADH dehydrogenase [ubiquinone] iron-sulfur protein 3, mitochondrial	NDUFS3											Т					
Neuronal membrane glycoprotein M6-a	GPM6A	\square											Т				
Transcriptional activator protein Pur-alpha	PURA					N/A				_							
Differential abundance in SCH vs MDD		<u></u>															
Apolipoprotein E	APOE											Т					
Excitatory amino acid transporter 2	SLC1A2	\square															
Hemoglobin subunit alpha	HBA1																
Histone H2AX	H2AFX																
Ig gamma-1 chain C region	IGHG1	Γ				N/A					N	/A			N/A	4	
Major vault protein	MVP																
Phospholysine phosphohistidine inorganic pyrophosphate phosphatase	LHPP																
Plasma membrane calcium-transporting ATPase 1	ATP2B1					CT.				Т		T.					
Succinate dehydrogenase [ubiquinone] flavoprotein subunit, mitochondrial	SDHA																
V-type proton ATPase subunit a	ATP6V0A1																
Differential abundance in MDD vs Control																	
Claudin-11	CLDN11												T				
Kinesin-like protein KIF2A	KIF2A																
Damilinin 2	PI IN3	1															

29 proteins

5 not detected in CNS

3 data NA

≤ 0.1 0.2 -50 50-100 00-1000 >1000

0 low medium high 50 50 -100 50 -100 >200 **13** have ubiquitous cytoplasmic and/or nuclear expression

2 are plasma proteins with expression in cerebral cortex endothelial cells

6 proteins have distinct selective expression in the CNS

Tubulin PTM in brain white matter



*=product of sample preparation and reduction and alkylation of Cysteine

Description	Sequence	Modifications	Max fold change	Highest mean	Lowest	Anova	
				condition	mean		
					condition		
Tubulia slaba 40 sheiz OC Usara sariana CN TUDA40 DC 4 CV 4		[0] Crahamidamathul Cl [10] Dharahamid CTV	2.1	601	MDD		2 425 02
Tubulin alpha-18 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBA18 PE=1 SV=1	SIQFVDWCPTGFK	[8] Carbamidomethyi C [[10] Phosphoryi STY	2.1	SCH	MDD		2.43E-02
Tubulin alpha-1C chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBA1C PE=1 SV=1	AYHEQLIVAEIINACFEPANQMVK	[7] O-GICNAC ST [[12] O-GICNAC ST [[15] Carbamidomethyl C	17.8	Control	SCH		1.18E-04
Tubulin alpha-8 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBA8 PE=1 SV=1	LMYAK	[2] Oxidation M	1.5	SCH	Control		6.53E-03
Tubulin beta chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB PE=1 SV=2	ALTVPELTQQVFDAK	[8] O-GlcNac ST	1.3	Control	SCH		2.11E-02
Tubulin beta chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB PE=1 SV=2	ISVYYNEATGGKYVPR	[12] Acetyl K	1.4	SCH	MDD		1.55E-02
Tubulin beta chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB PE=1 SV=2	ALTVPELTQQVFDAK	[15] Acetyl K	1.2	Control	SCH		3.16E-04
Tubulin beta chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB PE=1 SV=2	GSQQYRALTVPELTQQVFDAK	[9] Phosphoryl STY [14] Phosphoryl STY [21] Acetyl K	1.1	MDD	SCH		1.39E-02
Tubulin beta-2A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB2A PE=1 SV=1	GSQQYRALTVPELTQQMFDSK	[21] Acetyl K	1.7	MDD	SCH		3.11E-04
Tubulin beta-2A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB2A PE=1 SV=1	EVDEQMLNVQNKNSSYFVEWIPNNVK	[14] O-GlcNac ST [15] O-GlcNac ST	2.2	Control	SCH		1.17E-02
Tubulin beta-2A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB2A PE=1 SV=1	ALTVPELTQQMFDSK	[14] Phosphoryl STY [15] Acetyl K	1.5	MDD	SCH		5.07E-03
Tubulin beta-4A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB4A PE=1 SV=2	EVDEQMLSVQSK	[12] Acetyl K	1.4	MDD	SCH		1.32E-03
Tubulin beta-4A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB4A PE=1 SV=2	NMMAACDPR	[2] Oxidation M [6] Carbamidomethyl C	8.1	SCH	MDD		2.63E-02
Tubulin beta-4A chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB4A PE=1 SV=2	NSSYFVEWIPNNVKTAVCDIPPR	[2] Phosphoryl STY [18] Carbamidomethyl C	58.4	SCH	MDD		2.02E-02
Tubulin beta-6 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB6 PE=1 SV=1	TLKLTTPTYGDLNHLVSATMSGVTTSLR	[5] Phosphoryl STY [17] Phosphoryl STY [20] Oxidation M	1.9	MDD	SCH		1.88E-02
Tubulin beta-6 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB6 PE=1 SV=1	MREIVHIQAGQCGNQIGTK	[12] Carbamidomethyl C [12] Palmitoyl CST	1.6	SCH	Control		1.28E-02
Tubulin beta-8 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB8 PE=1 SV=2	ALTVAELTQQMFDAK	[15] Acetyl K	1.1	Control	SCH		4.03E-02
Tubulin beta-8 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB8 PE=1 SV=2	ALTVAELTQQMFDAK	[3] Phosphoryl STY	1.4	MDD	SCH		1.76E-03
Tubulin beta-8 chain OS=Homo sapiens GN=TUBB8 PE=1 SV=2	LPTPTYGDLNHLVSATMSGVTTCLR	[14] Phosphoryl STY [16] O-GlcNac ST [16] Phosphoryl STY [23] Carbamidomet	12.4	SCH	MDD		1.26E-02
Tubulin beta-8 chain-like protein LOC260334 OS=Homo sapiens PE=1 SV=1	MSATFIGNNAAIQELFTCVSEQFTAMFR	[18] Carbamidomethyl C	1.3	Control	SCH		2.56E-02

THANK YOU.....



DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ?