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# **Protein characterization by mass spectrometry**

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Part V

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# **Proteomic MS applications**

Assessment of products of synthesis MALDI-MS



#### **Assessment of reaction course**

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#### Modified BSA vs. std. BSA ( $\approx 5 \text{ pmol}$ )





## **MALDI-MS** profiling

# **Identification of microorganisms by MALDI-MS**



## **MALDI-MS spectra (profiles) of selected bacteria**



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CCM

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CM

# Graphical expression of MALDI-MS bacteria profile similarity

Staphylococcus saprophyticus CCM 3317 CCM

identification based on comparison of measured profile with database profile

Detected Species	Lo 🔻
Brachyspira murdochii DSM 12563T DSM	2.267
Azoarcus indigens VB32 MPB	1.164
🥥 Paenibacillus polymyxa DSM 741 DSM	1.127
Lactobacillus antri DSM 16041T DSM	1.122
Sphingobacterium spiritivorum DSM 11722T HAM	1.070
Staphylococcus schleiferi ssp schleiferi DSM 4809	1.068
Azoarcus sp BH72 MPB	1.053
Acidovorax avenae ssp avenae DSM 7227T HAM	1.018
Streptococcus salivarius IB5_M5_23 IB5	1.009
Bacteroides fragilis MB_9009_05 THL	1.006



200

100

Ω

300

400

1000

900

800

700

600

500

**Distance** Level

см

ССМ

CCM

Campylobacter fetus subsp fetus CCM 5683 CCM

L. Tvrzová, A. Teshim, I. Sedláček, M. Lexa, A. Voráč, O. Šedo,, A. Kostrzewa, T. Meier



MALDI-TOF MS fingerprint containing proteins

#### cooperation with FCH BUT Brno prof. Márová

Brewery	3	bottle	5
Brewery	3	<b>bottle</b>	4
Brewery	3	bottle	3
Brewery	3	bottle	2
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Brewery	2	<b>bottle</b>	2
Brewery	2	<b>bottle</b>	1
Brewery	2	<b>bottle</b>	5
Brewery	2	bottle	4
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Brewery	1	bottle	4
Brewery	1	<b>bottle</b>	3

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#### C7250 **MALDI-MS profiling of spider venoms** evolution of food specialisation in spiders species adaptations ant-eating spiders MSP Dendrogram Z. merlijni D adriatica 2 D adriatica 1 D ninnii 2 D ninnii 1 C algerina Z josefinae 3 Z josefinae 4 Z josefinae 2 Z josefinae 1 Z alacre 2 Z alacre 1 Z atlanticum 4 Z atlanticum 3 Z atlanticum 2 Z atlanticum 1 Z aleutejanum 2 Z aleutejanum 1 Z merlijni 5 Z merlijni 2 Z merlijni 1 Z merlijni 4 Z merlijni 3 900 800 700 600 500 400 300 200 100 **Distance** Level

cooperation with prof. Pekar, FS MU

Pekár S. et al., J. Anim. Ecol., 81 (4), 838-848 (2012) Bočánek O. et al., Toxicon, 133, 18-25 (2017) Pekár S. et al. Mol. Ecol., 27 (4), 1053-1064 (2018)

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Test Value ——

J. LaBaer et al., J. Proteome Res., 4 (4) 1053-1059 (2005).



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# **MS-based approaches for biomarker searching**



## N-Glycan profiling of lung adenocarcinoma in patients at different stages of disease



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Detail of MALDI-MS spectra (m/z range of 2650-4150):

a) P1 (stage IB/grade1)
b) P7 (stage IIA/grade4)
c) P13 (stage IIIA/grade2)



Lattová E. et al., Modern Pathology (2020) 33:1146–1156



#### **Relative quantification by MS**

#### isotopically labeled tag approaches

(comparison of limited number of samples, up to 10)



#### protein quantification



#### label-free approaches

(comparison of unlimited number of samples, lower accuracy)

#### Targeted quantification of selected proteins by MS

MRM (SRM), PRM

# Characterization of proteome changes differential (expression) proteomics

image analysis of 2-D gels LC-MS/MS of selected spots with different intensity



identification (MS) separated from quantification (spot intensity on gel) mixed spots



Acidithiobacilus ferrooxidans grown on ferrous iron (A) and elemental sulfur (B)

cooperation with Department of Biochemistry, FS MU P. Bouchal et al., Proteomics 2006, 6, 4278–4285.



control



LC-MS/MS data processing

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	<ul> <li>identification more than 2300 protein</li> <li>quantification for more than 1900</li> </ul>	infected/ control
Accession	Description	
363741657	PREDICTED: syntenin-2-like [Gallus gallus]	41.032
118095649	clarifying of machanisms of molecular processes	] 34.036
4927286	charmying of mechanisms of molecular processes	
112491068	search for marker proteins for early detection	30.221
56118294	ribonuciease nomolog precursor [Gallus gallus]	25.497
3637/1/159	PREDICTED: protein-glutamine gamma-glutamyltransferase E [Gallus gallus]	74 786

# confirmation by real-time PCR

cooperation with VRI Brno Matulova M. et al., Vet. Res., 44:37 (2013) Characterization of the extent and dynamics of translational regulation during tobacco male gametophyte development and the subsequent functional progamic phase

Microspore



the three types of mRNA-containing ribonucleoprotein particles:

- POL translating polysomes
- RNP free ribonuclear particles
- EPP long-term storage EDTA/puromycin-resistant particles



- 9317 protein groups identified across all samples and replicates
- **2,089 for quantitative analyses** (only proteins identified by five or more peptides in all biological and technical replicates of the particular sample were considered as reliably present).

cRNA synthesis and array hybridization Agilent 44K Genome Array

Early bicellular

Tobacco pollen development and progamic phase

Mature pollen

24h

pollen tubes

pollen tubes

Late bicellular

pollen

Subcellular fractionation

Data normalisation and analysis CLC Main Workbench Trypsin digestion and gel-free LC MS/MS Orbitrap Elite hybrid spectrometer

Data analysis Mascot, UniRef100 database

Hafidh S. et al., Plant Physiol., 178 (1), 258-282 (2018)

#### Characterization of the extent and dynamics of translational regulation during tobacco male gametophyte development and the subsequent functional progamic phase







Dynamics of seven protein groups associated with PABPs



Hafidh S. et al., Plant Physiol., 178 (1), 258-282 (2018)



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#### The quantitative and condition-dependent Escherichia coli proteome

#### 22 different growth conditions in biological triplicates.

- (i) growth on minimal media with an excess of different carbon and energy sources
- (ii) growth in glucose-limited chemostat cultures with varying growth rates,
- (iii) growth on glucose excess with different stress conditions,
- (iv) growth on complex medium, and
- (v) 1 and 3 d into stationary phase.

cellular protein concentrations for **55% of predicted** *E. coli* **genes** (>2,300 proteins)

**41 proteins** related to glycolytic pathway, tricarboxylic acid cycle enzymes and others was selected to absolute quantification

The concentration range of the 41 proteins covered more than four orders of magnitudes ranging from around 92,000 to only 2 copies per cell.



Schmidt A., Nature Biotechnol., 34 (2016), 104 – 110

## **Comparison of human cancer cell line proteome and transcriptome**





## Targeted analysis of selected protein/PTM

#### Schematic workflow of a constrained SRM assay



**Step1**: 1. Biological samples include body fluids (such as blood or saliva), cell lysate, and tissue. 2. PTM proteins and protein isoforms are extracted from cell lysate and tissue. 3. Protein enrichment methods are applied for less abundant proteins. 4. PTMs and protein isoforms are digested by enzymes, including trypsin, Lys-C, etc. 5. After digestion, modified, unmodified peptides, and peptides representing the whole protein are selected.

**Step2**: 1. Isotope-labeled peptides are synthesized to serve as internal standards for the post-translationally modified peptides, unmodified peptides, and peptides representing the whole protein. 2. Mass spectrometer parameters are optimized by using the synthetic peptides. 3. Isotopic labeled peptides are internal standards and spiked in the samples. PTMs and isoforms are quantified by SRM or MS3 assay.

Liu X., et al., Methods 61 (2013) 304–312

## Targeted analysis of selected protein/PTM SRM

IADPEHDHTGFLTEYVATR IADPEHDHTGFLTEYVATR – 2x Phospho



**SRM and western blot assays** show a similar **time-course of Erk1 phosphorylation** in response to EGF.

*Liu X., et al., Methods 61 (2013) 304–312* 



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#### **Phosphoproteome analysis – four fractionation approaches**



ERLIC - Electrostatic Repulsion-Hydrophilic Interaction Chromatography

Chen et al., J. Chromatogr. B, 879, 25 (2011)

## **Phosphoproteome analysis – four fractionation approaches**



Each method – over 4000 phoshopeptides In total – 9069 phosphopeptides – 9463 sites / 3260 proteins

Chen et al., J. Chromatogr. B, 879, 25 (2011)

#### **Phosphoproteome analysis- quality and quantity**



Huang et al., J. Proteomics, 106, 125 (2014)

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#### **Phosphoproteome analysis- quality**

# Comparison of identified peptides in replicas



Huang et al., J. Proteomics, 106, 125 (2014)

#### **Phosphoproteome analysis**

Olsen J.V. et al., Sci. Signal., 3 (104) ra3 (2010)

quantified 6027 proteins

quantified 20,443 unique phosphorylation sites

- HELA cells
- SILAC labeling
- TiO<sub>2</sub> enrichment
- LC-MS/MS (Orbitrap)



**CG010** 

The panels show the phenotypic phosphoproteome comparison organized by GO biological process for mitotic (left) and S phase (right) cells. Proteins involved in metabolic processes have high-occupancy phosphorylation sites during mitosis, but low-occupancy sites during S phase (color scale: yellow, high overrepresentation; dark blue, high underrepresentation).



#### **Characterization of effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors**

#### to establish a set of methods

- HDAC Fluorimetric Cellular Activity Assay Kit

- MALDI-MS of N-terminal part of histones (after Glu-C digestion)
- AUT-AU 2-D GE combined with LC-MS/MS analysis



#### **Characterization of effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors**



⊕A/sum

**♦**B/sum

<mark>-</mark>∆C/sum

⊖D/sum

●E/sum

**Characterization of effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors** 

# Changes of particular H4 acetylated forms vs inhibitor concentration (24h treatment)



0,6 0,4 0,2 0,0

Entinostat

 $A \rightarrow E$   $0 \rightarrow 4$  acetylations

## **Characterization of Post-Translational Modifications of Histones**



#### C7250 Filter-Aided Sample Preparation Procedure for Mass Spectrometric Analysis of Plant Histones





Ledvinova D. et al, Front. Plant Sci., 9, article 1373 (2018)

# Filter-Aided Sample Preparation Procedure for Mass Spectrometric C7250 Analysis of Plant Histones



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Ledvinova D. et al, Front. Plant Sci., 9, article 1373 (2018)

## **Inter-individual variations of Histone Modification Patterns**

cooperation with Prof. Fajkus group, CEITEC-MU

two *Arabidopsis thaliana* ecotypes **Columbia 0** (Col-0) and **Wassilewskija** (Ws) grown from seeds collected from a single parent plant (Single) and a set of parent plants (Mixed).

![](_page_39_Figure_3.jpeg)

Numbers of plants and repeated analyses of each plant using LC-MS/MS needed to detect 1.5-, 1.75-, and 2-fold changes in protein abundance with 95% confidence and 80% power are shown. C7250

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# Improvement of separation of histone peptide modified forms novel derivatization agent

#### Histone H4 4-17 GKGGKGLGKGGAK

 $\sim$  2x more forms

![](_page_40_Figure_3.jpeg)

Histone extracts from MEC1 cell line.

Kucharikova et al, Mol. Cell. Proteomics, 20, 100114 (2021)

#### Assessment of effect of histone deacetylase inhibitors

![](_page_41_Figure_2.jpeg)

Kucharikova et al, Mol. Cell. Proteomics, 20, 100114 (2021)

HDAC inhibitors – potential for cancer treatment

![](_page_42_Figure_1.jpeg)

(a)Time-resolved profiling of SARSCoV-2 infection by multiple -omics methods. The plot shows normalized MS intensities of three SARS-CoV-2 viral proteins over time and overview of identified and regulated distinct transcripts, proteins, ubiquitination and phosphorylation sites, using data independent (DIA) or dependent (DDA) acquisition methods

Stukalov A. et al., bioRxiv: https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.06.17.156455

![](_page_43_Picture_0.jpeg)

Charakterization of protein complexes *functional proteomics* 

>80% proteins is functional only as a part of complex

~ 10000 types of interactions

Aloy P., Russell R. B.: Nat. Biotechnol. 22 (10), 1317-1321 (2004)

![](_page_44_Figure_4.jpeg)

# **Purification of protein complexes**

#### in vivo expression of bait protein with a tag

![](_page_45_Figure_2.jpeg)

T. Köcher, G. Superti-Furga: Nat. Methods, 4(10), 807-815 (2007).

#### MS capabilities in protein complex analysis

- identification of individual complex members including their PTMs
- confirmation of interaction partners (exclusion of nonspecific interactors)
- determination of complex stoichiometry
- determination of 3D structure of complex (cross-linking)

![](_page_46_Figure_6.jpeg)

Gavin A.-C. et al.: Nature, 440 (30), 631-636.

## **Identification of individual interaction partners**

![](_page_47_Picture_1.jpeg)

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#### **Confirmation of true interaction partners**

![](_page_48_Figure_2.jpeg)

W. Yang et al., Proteomics 2008, 8, 832-851

#### **Enzyme-catalyzed proximity labeling**

#### **BioID**

unique method to screen for physiologically relevant protein interactions that occur in living cells.

Enzyme - **BirA** - the biotin protein ligase - of *Escherichia coli* biotinylates only a single cellular protein.

a mutant BirA attaches biotin to a large number of cellular proteins *in vivo* 

# Enzyme-catalyzed proximity labeling BioID

The **ligase is fused to a protein of interest** and expressed in cells, where it biotinylates proximal endogenous proteins.

Biotinylation is a rare protein modification in nature, it enables selective isolation and identification with standard **biotin-affinity capture.** 

Proteins identified by BioID are candidate interactors for the protein of interest.

BioID can be applied to insoluble proteins, can identify weak and/or transient interactions, and is amenable to temporal regulation.

Initially applied to mammalian cells, BioID has potential application in a variety of cell types from diverse species.

# **Enzyme-catalyzed proximity labeling**

#### **BioID**

![](_page_51_Figure_2.jpeg)

Roux KJ, Kim DI, Raida M, Burke B. J Cell Biol. 2012;196(6):801–10

**Enzyme-catalyzed proximity labeling** 

#### TurbolD/miniTurbo

- multiply mutated BirA
- higher efficiency of labeling than BioID or BioID2
- faster kinetics

miniTurbo (28 kD)

151P

E140K

Q141F

![](_page_52_Figure_5.jpeg)

![](_page_52_Figure_6.jpeg)

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# Sequence confirmation and determination of OBP protein isoforms de novo sequencing

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Myodes glareolus

- unknown genome 0 no antibodies 0

![](_page_54_Figure_5.jpeg)

2D gel electrophoresis

MS/MS of selected spots

![](_page_54_Picture_8.jpeg)

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![](_page_54_Figure_9.jpeg)

cooperation with prof. Stopka FS CU, Prague

Stopková R., Zdráhal Z., Ryba Š. et al, BMC Genomics 2010, 11:45

Sequence confirmation and determination of OBP protein isoforms

![](_page_55_Figure_1.jpeg)

### Sequence confirmation and determination of OBP protein isoforms MALDI-MS/MS a LC-MS/MS manual spectra interpretation

original sequence - QAELEGKWVTTAIAADNIDTIEEEGPMR (OBP3)

#### DAELEGTWYTTAIAADNVDTIEEEGPLR

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#### HAELEGTWYTTAIAADNVDTIEEEGPLR

![](_page_56_Figure_4.jpeg)

![](_page_57_Picture_0.jpeg)

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# **MS Imaging**

# **MALDI-MS** imaging

#### samples:

fresh frozen tissue sections

individual cells or clusters of cells isolated by
 laser-capture microdissection or contact blotting
 of a tissue on a membrane target.

#### **MS** analysis

scanning of sample area point by point

image corresponds to planar distribution of individual m/z

distribution of peptides (proteins, lipids,...)

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# **MALDI-MS** imaging

![](_page_60_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_60_Figure_3.jpeg)

Figure 3. Neurotensin was added to the ink of a printer. The mass spectrometry image (a)  $(100 \times 50 \text{ pixels}, 3 \times 1.5 \text{ mm})$  obtained of the protonated neurotensin peak matches with the optical image (b).

M. Stoeckli, T.B. Farmer, R.M. Caprioli: J Am Soc Mass Spectrom, 10, 67–71 (1999)

# **MALDI-MS** imaging

![](_page_61_Figure_1.jpeg)

**Figure 8.** IMS analysis of a 12- $\mu$ m coronal mouse brain section. (a) Photomicrograph of a Cresyl Violet-stained section showing different anatomic brain substructures. (b) MALDI-MS protein profile obtained after homogeneous matrix deposition averaging all of the individual spectra acquired from the section. (c-g) Ion density maps obtained at different *m*/*z* values with an imaging resolution of 100  $\mu$ m. The ion density maps are depicted as pseudocolor images with white representing the highest protein concentration and black the lowest.

#### Chaurand et al: Anal. Chem. 2004, 76, 1145-1155

# Degradation of Ang III and Ang-(1-7) in mouse kidney sections.

![](_page_62_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### SpatialOMx Workflow

SpatialOMx is the combination of using MALDI Imaging and ESI to unlock a 5th dimension and show the distribution of target compounds. On the timsTOF fleX, use the MALDI source to map the distribution of molecules in your sample and identify regions of interest. After extracting and preparing the sample for LCMS, use the ESI source for the highest level of identifications

![](_page_63_Picture_2.jpeg)

An average cell measures approximately 10 µm in diameter. Using MALDI guided laser microdissection (LCM) for example, a 50 µm LCM tissue section will contain roughly 25 cells; enough for bottom-up proteomics analysis on the timsTOF fleX. One instrument that gives you the capability to do both – high spatial resolution, high speed MALDI and high sensitivity ESI analysis.

![](_page_63_Figure_4.jpeg)

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![](_page_64_Figure_1.jpeg)

Liu et al, Expert Rev. Mol. Diagn., 13(8), 811 (2013)

![](_page_65_Picture_0.jpeg)

## Nanopore peptide sequencing

A DNA-peptide conjugate was pulled through the biological nanopore MspA by the DNA helicase Hel308. Reading the ion current signal through the nanopore enabled discrimination of single-amino acid substitutions in single reads.

![](_page_66_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### Fig. 1. Reading peptides with a nanopore.

A) The DNA-peptide conjugate consists of a peptide (pink) attached via a click linker (green) to an ssDNA strand (black). This DNA-peptide conjugate is extended with a typical nanopore adaptor comprised of an extender that acts as a site for helicase loading (blue) and a complementary oligo with a 3' cholesterol modification (gold).

**B**) The cholesterol associates with the bilayer as shown in (a), increasing the concentration of analyte near the pore. The complementary oligo blocks the helicase, until it is pulled into the pore (b), causing the complementary strand to be sheared off (c), whereupon the helicase starts to step along DNA.

#### Nanopore peptide sequencing

(**C**) As the helicase walks along the DNA, it pulls it up through the pore, resulting in (a) a read of the DNA portion followed by (b) a read of the attached peptide.

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![](_page_67_Figure_3.jpeg)

(**D**) Typical nanopore read of a DNA-peptide conjugate (black), displaying step-like ion currents (identified in red). The asterisks \* indicate a spurious level

not observed in most reads and therefore omitted from further analysis. The dagger † indicates a helicase backstep. (E) Consensus sequence of ion current steps (red), which for the DNA section is closely matched by the predicted DNA sequence (blue). The linker and peptide sections are identified by counting half-nucleotide steps over the known structural length of the linker. Error bars in the measured ion current levels are errors in the mean value, often too small to see.

# The end