Proteomic role in Individualized Medicine: Future Perspectives



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The Need

To provide a compressive assessment of the physiological and pathological status of an individual.

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Need

- Diseases are often multi-factorial and many overlap. Therefore, need to assess the patient within their disease setting. Current markers have a limited focus.
- What is required is to broaden focus and assess many disease pathways, simultaneously. This will provide a more accurate assessment of patient immediate and future health.
- This requires technical pipelines for discovery and preclinical proteomics with seamless interplay.

Clinical Diagnostic Domains



Challenge: The analyte needs to be exclusive for an unique disease attribute.

Solution: Proteins have sufficient diversity to allow for a specific form(s) to be diagnostic to a unique state in the disease.



There are 5892 annotated human cardiac proteins. 68% have a PTM. ~25% have more than one type of modification (Agnetti et al. Circ Res 2011)

Improved method – 83 new SNO sites within the mitochondria. *Murphy et al. MCP 2010*



The diversity of proteins and their PTMs drives biology and underlie pathological processes.

The disease-induced protein changes reflect alterations at the gene, mRNA and metabolite level.

Quantitative assessment of disease-induced PTMs should provide disease stage specificity, thus improving individual risk stratification.

Human protein reference database

Proteomics: Multiple needs, technologies and tools



Many separation/enrichment methods Use depends on goal Many mass spectrometers Use depends on goal

Challenges

- 1. Large cellular/sample dynamic range.
- 2. No protein amplification system.
- 3. Change in single amino acid is sufficient to alter physical and functional properties.
- 4. The same and different PTMs can be located at multiple sites within one protein.
- 5. Different PTMs can compete for the same amino acid residue.
- 6. Small stoichiometric changes can have large functional affects.

To measure organ necrotic/cell death the use of cell specific intracellular protein released into blood stream is sufficient.

Challenge: Measurement of an analyte(s) in body fluid (non-

invasive) that allows the assessment of non-cell death disease states.



Non-necrosis ischemic markers

Cell secreted proteins, shredded cell surface or extracellular matrix protein may not be organ specific.

Necrosis markers

Cellular release of cardiac (organ) specific isoform of cTnl/cTnT into blood.

Ischemic/hypoxic-release of protein from isolated cardiac myoctyes and fibroblasts or directly into plasma

Disease induced PTMs of cTnl



Cell Surface/secreted "Biomarkers"



Function/therapeutic intervention



Cell Surface "Barcode" for enrichment





Find unique cell surface markers to differentiate embryonic stem cells (ESC) and induced pluripotent stem cells (iPS)



The Secreted Proteome



Review: Stastna *et al* FEBS Lett. 2009;583:1800-7. Method: Stastna *et al.*, Circ Gen, 2011; in press



Representative proteins observed	Estimated normal Ref range* [ng/ml]
Beta-2-glycoprotein 1	100,000-200,000
Angiotensin(ogen)	1500
Beta-2-microglobulin	1000-2000
Fatty acid-binding protein	2
Atrial natriuretic factor	0.2-0.1
TGF β1	5
Interleukin 16	0.010-8
Interleukin 3	<50
VEGF	0.03
Myoglobin	42
Troponin I, fast skeletal muscle	1
Glial fibrillary acidic protein	0.45
Cystatin-C	500-1000
Insulin	2000
Insulin-like growth factor II	0.05-20
Myeloperoxidase	50-300
*Can depends on age, gender, race	

Finding new markers: Multiple cohorts used to defined diagnostic space



SUPPLY ISCHEMIA

Discovery Cohort II

Valve replacement surgery Dr. Targett, Oxford, UK

- non-acute patients requiring valve replacement
- controlled time of global ischemia (~90m.)
- 2 coronary sinus (+ 4 periphery) samples
- 20 individuals



'DEMAND ISCHEMIA'

Discovery Cohort I

Atrial pacing Dr. James de Lemos, UT Southwestern

- non-acute stable angina patients referred to cath lab
- demand ischemia due to stepwise pacing
- controlled time of max pacing/until symptoms
- 4 coronary sinus blood samples
- 19 (16) individuals



How can one quantify each protein or modified amino acid residue?



Multiple Reaction Monitoring (MRM)

- Relative and absolute quantitation
- Primarily antibody-free assay
- Multiple protein quantified simultaneously
- Differentiation between protein isoforms (splice variants/gene)
- Multiple PTM quantified simultaneously
- Any body fluid and tissue/cells

	Quantitative western	ELISA	MRM
standards	protein	protein	protein or peptide
CV%	>20%	2-20%	2-20%
LLOQ	mg	ng-pg/ml	10 amol - nmol/peptide
			mg-pg/ml*
multiplex	Not common	<10	<40

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