Proteomic strategies for identifying resistance mechanisms and therapeutic targets in lymphoma

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## **Paradigm for Research**



# Outline

- Discovery of novel targetable ALK-regulated cytokine network through integration of N-glycoproteomic and functional genomics
- Functional validation of novel target (IL31R $\beta$ ) in ALCL

• Conclusions and broad applications for identifying novel CAR-T targets in de novo disease and resistance

# LC-MS/MS-based proteomics

- Unambiguously identify proteins
- Femtomolar sensitivity
- Unbiased

Protein ID







m/z, amu

# N-glycoproteomic signatures of lymphoma

# N-Glycoproteins are excellent lymphoma biomarkers

- Glycosylation is a common post translational modification
- Glycoproteins are secreted or expressed in the cell surface
- Most CD markers recognize glycoproteins
- Good target for biomarker discovery



13,000 predicted TM proteins3100 membrane glycoproteins UniProt



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# **Hypothesis**

Glycoproteins can be used as biomarkers for early disease detection, diagnosis, monitoring and harnessed as a therapeutic target in lymphoma



# Aims

 Compendia of glycoproteomic profiles for distinct lymphoma cell lines using LC-MS/MS

• Functional study of candidate glycoproteins

### **Unbiased N-glycoproteomics of lymphoid neoplasia**

#### 36 well-characterized human cell lines

#### 14 subtypes of lymphoid neoplasia

WHO entities	Lineage	Origin	Ν
T-ALL	Т	Precursor T	1
ALCL, ALK +	Т	Mature T	5
ALCL, ALK -	Т	Mature T	2
MF	Т	Mature T	1
Sézary syndrome	Т	Mature T	1
Aggressive NK-cell leukemia	NK	Mature NK	3
MCL	В	Pre-GC	3
BL	В	GC	3
DLBCL	В	GC	1
PMBL	В	GC	2
FL	В	GC	6
Classical HL	В	GC	3
NLPHL	В	GC	1
Myeloma	В	Post-GC <sup>10</sup>	4



### **Glycoproteomic Profiling By Solid Phase Extraction of**



## Consensus N-glycosylation motif analysis

- 1905 unique 11mers
- N[115] in the center

Motif #	Count	Fold Inc.*
1	1080	8.88
2	59	25.87
3	703	10.37
4	24	19.89

Fold Inc. = Fold Increase over background sequence data

#### xxxmotif-xxxx

Schwartz et al. (2005). Nature Biotech. v23(11):1391-1398.





#### N-glycoproteins identified in 36 cell lines N-glycoproteins CD markers **Detection of virtually all CD proteins** currently used for diagnostic evaluation of lymphoid neoplasia TAIL OF CLUE WE SETAN MY NOT BY BOT DWBY ET CHI PHI M



### T/NK cell lymphoma cell lines

log2(normalized spectral counts)



# NPM-ALK+ ALCL as a biologic tumor model for functional studies



Leverage Integrative Large-Scale Data Transcriptome and N-Glycoproteome



Genomics (24,000) ↓

Transcriptomics (100,000)



Proteomics (1,000,000)

## Investigation of ALK "regulome" by integrating N-glycoproteomics and functional genomics



## Cytokine/receptor signaling pathways are regulated by ALK activity in ALK+ALCL



Integrated N-glycoproteomic and transcriptomic data

# A distinct cytokine-mediated protein network regulated by ALK



using ALK-dependent cytokine receptors

### Validation: A distinct cytokine signature is characteristic of ALK+ ALCL



- IL2Rα (CD25)
- IL31Rβ (Oncostatin M receptor)

Potential novel biomarkers

#### **Oncostatin M Receptor (IL31R** $\beta$ ) in ALK+ ALCL



Position	Sequence
176	NIQNN*VSCYLEGK
326	SVNILFN*LTHR
380	MMQYN*VSIK
491	ILFYNVVVENLDKPSSSELHSIPAPAN*STK
580	NVGPN*TTSTVISTDAFRPGVR





## IL31R $\beta$ is expressed in ALK+ALCL





#### 56 primary biopsies of ALCL



X<sup>2</sup> = 20.16 p<0.001

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# IL31R $\beta$ and OSM expression is ALK-dependent and mediated via STAT3



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### NPM-ALK regulates IL31R $\beta$ in a kinase dependent manner

Real time RT-PCR



\*\*\* P<0.001 by student T-test

## **CRISPR-Cas9 sgRNA genome-wide vulnerability**

Weinstock D, Ngo S, Root, D



# Cytokine receptor pathways are exquisite vulnerability targets in ALK+ALCL



Markov Chain Monte Carlo Simulation

# IL31Rβ contributes to oncogenesis in ALK+ALCL



IL31Rβ knockdown abrogates tumor growth in ALK+ALCL xenotransplants



## **Conclusions and Implications**

- Largest compendium of N-glycoproteins in lymphoma
  1,115 glycoproteins, including 198 CD markers
- N-glycoprotein signatures classify lymphoid neoplasia according to:

Lineage, Cell of origin, WHO subtypes

- Integrated N-glycoproteomics and transcriptomics are complementary
- A distinctive cytokine/receptor-JAK-STAT signaling network regulated by ALK

IL31R $\beta$  are pathogenetically-relevant vulnerable targets

Rolland D et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci, 2017

#### Model of OSM-OSMR signaling in ALCL and acquired resistance



### OSMR is regulated by ALK in EML4-ALK+ lung cancer and upregulated in acquired resistance



## Future Directions Mechanisms and biomarkers of CAR-T therapy resistance





Phosphoproteome



5000-6000 proteins 35000 phosphopeptides 2500 phosphoproteins





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