High-throughput proteomics in Epidemiology and the genotype-phenotype problem

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The genotype-phenotype problem gets very complicated at the step from proteome to metabolome



Scaling to thousands of LC-MS proteomes Sample preparation, high-flow LCs, Scanning SWATH acquisition, DIA-NN



Messner et al, Nature Biotechnology, 2021

The proteome efficiently captures human physiology



Young, healthy individuals were exposed to extreme fasting and re-feeding over several days

- Plasma samples were collected over time and measured with our platform, requiring 1-5μL of the samples
- The proteomes identify the individual, the response to the nutritional intervention and, the inter-individual differences → capturing all aspects of personalized medicine
- Trained machine learning algorithms derive a compendium of physiological parameters from the single blood proteome



Controlled human intervention study, with S. Farooqi, CIMR, Cambridge

Predicted using machine learning from proteomes ⁶

Recording large human population baselines for genotype-phenotype mapping



- Generation Scotland (~24,000 samples)
- Fenland study (~12,500 samples)
- eurac CHRIS (~5,000 samples)
- Genomics England rare disease (~5,000 samples)
- Vivaldi Carehome study (~7,000 samples)
- COVID study cohorts (>5,000 samples)
- Targeting >100,000 proteomes





Population Structure Of a on 2,000 individuals Fenland pilot





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Fast plasma proteomes classify COVID19 patients





Florian Kurth, Pinkus Tober-Lau, Leif Sander, PA-COVID19 StdGrp

Messner et al, Cell systems, 2020 Messner, Demichev, et al, et al, Nature Biotechnology, 2021

A COVID 19 peptide panel panel assay predicts outcome in severely affected COVID19 patients



Collaborations with Inoviv, Agilent, SCIEX. Wang, Hartl, Sirka et al, *medRxiv* Panel is now implemented at Charité's routine lab and can be requested by physicians as part of care

A proteome for 5k yeast gene deletions



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- 1,850 Proteins

Christoph Messner

Proteome-Scale 'Cause and Consequence' Maps



The relationship of growth rate and proteome



Aneuploidies explain strong proteomic changes in many slow growing cells



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The unsolved problem of aneuploid dosage compensation

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Abstract

■ Aneuploidy is a condition frequently found in tumor cells, but its effect on cellular physiology is not known. We have characterized one aspect of aneuploidy: the gain of extra chromosomes. We created a collection of haploid yeast strains that each bear an extra copy of one or more of almost all of the yeast chromosomes. Their characterization revealed that aneuploid strains share a number of phenotypes, including defects in cell cycle progression, increased glucose uptake, and increased sensitivity to conditions interfering with protein synthesis and protein folding. These phenotypes were observed only in strains carrying additional yeast genes, which indicates that they reflect the consequences of additional protein production as well as the resulting imbalances in cellular protein composition. We conclude that aneuploidy causes not only a proliferative disadvantage but also a set of phenotypes that is independent of the identity of the individual extra chromosomes.

Torres et al, 2007 (A. Amon Lab) Pavelka et al, 2010 (R. Li lab)

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An euploidy confers quantitative proteome changes and phenotypic variation in budding yeast

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Abstract

Aneuploidy, referring here to genome contents characterized by abnormal numbers of chromosomes, has been associated with developmental defects, cancer and adaptive evolution in experimental organisms1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9. However, it remains unresolved how aneuploidy impacts gene expression and whether aneuploidy could directly bring about phenotypic variation and improved fitness over that of euploid counterparts. Here we show, using quantitative mass spectrometry-based proteomics and phenotypic profiling, that levels of protein expression in aneuploid yeast strains largely scale with chromosome copy numbers, following the same trend as that observed for the transcriptome, and that aneuploidy confers diverse phenotypes. We designed a novel scheme to generate, through random meiotic segregation, 38 stable and fully isogenic aneuploid yeast strains with distinct karyotypes and genome contents between 1N and 3N without involving any genetic selection. Through quantitative growth assays under various conditions or in the presence of a panel of chemotherapeutic or antifungal drugs, we found that some aneuploid strains grew significantly better than euploid control strains under conditions suboptimal for the latter. These results provide strong evidence that aneuploidy directly affects gene expression at both the transcriptome and proteome levels and can generate significant phenotypic variation that could bring about fitness gains under diverse conditions. Our findings suggest that the fitness ranking between euploid and aneuploid cells is dependent on context and

Essentially no chromosome-wide dosage compensation in synthetic aneuploids

Disome 16 Disome 15 Disome 11 aneuploid strains Disome 10 Disome 09 Disome 08 Disome 05 Disome 02 Disome 01 euploid strain W303 (WT) -00400N ∞ \circ chromosome

Disomic lab strains

Strains & transcriptomes: Torres et al, 2007. Proteomes: Scanning SWATH

A proteome for ~900 natural yeast isolates of which 19% carry natural aneuploidies





Gianni Liti, Joseph Schacherer, et al.

Peter et al, Nature, 2018

Aneuploidy is transmitted from genome, to transcriptome to proteome in natural strains, but...



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Aneuploidy is dosage compensated at the chromosome wide-level, at the proteome.



Quantifying dosage-compensation across natural isolates and lab strains



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