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Systematic identification of anticancer drug targets reveals a nucleus-to-mitochondria ROS sensing pathway

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Abstract

Multiple anticancer drugs have been proposed to cause cell death, in part, by increasing the steady-state levels of cellular reactive oxygen species (ROS). However, for most of these drugs exactly how the resultant ROS function and are sensed is poorly understood. It remains unclear which proteins the ROS modify and their roles in drug sensitivity/resistance. To answer these questions, we examined 11 anticancer drugs with an integrated proteogenomic approach identifying many unique targets but also shared ones–including ribosomal components, suggesting common mechanisms by which drugs regulate translation. We focus on CHK1 which we find is a nuclear H_2O_2 sensor that launches a cellular program to dampen ROS. CHK1 phosphorylates the mitochondrial-DNA binding protein SSBP1 to prevent its mitochondrial localization, which in turn decreases nuclear H_2O_2 . Our results reveal a druggable nucleus-to-mitochondria ROS sensing pathway–required to resolve nuclear H_2O_2 accumulation and mediate resistance to platinum-based agents in ovarian cancers.

Graphical Abstract



Anticancer drug mechanism studies using an integrated proteogenomic framework reveal a nucleus-to-mitochondria ROS sensing pathway that couples DNA damage response to control of mitochondrial translation and may serve as a mechanism of resistance to platinum-based agents.

Keywords

Nuclear ROS; CHK1; mitochondrial translation; chemical proteomics; chemoresistance; nuclear-to-mitochondria signaling

Introduction

ROS represent a distinct family of reactive molecules that arise during normal cellular metabolism and are further generated in the context of disease states or toxin exposure¹¹. The reactive nature of these molecules allows them to exert substantial control over multiple cellular pathways through the direct modification of proteins, nucleic acids, or lipids^{1,2}. Mitochondria are best appreciated for their functions as intracellular ROS generators and sinks^{3,4} and cells have evolved numerous pathways to neutralize these reactive metabolites¹. ROS levels are thought to dictate the scope of their cellular targets. At low levels, ROS are required to maintain normal cellular homeostasis, functioning in numerous signaling capacities through the modification of phosphatases and metabolic enzymes. At high levels, ROS damage nucleic acids, inactivate proteins and induce lipid peroxidation, leading to ferroptotic cell death⁵. In this regard, anticancer drugs that increase the steady-state levels of ROS are currently used in the treatment of multiple cancers, including leukemia (arsenic trioxide), ovarian (cisplatin), bladder (doxorubicin) and pancreatic cancers (5-fluorouracil)^{1,6,7}. However, the mechanisms underlying ROS increase following anticancer drug treatment, their sensing and targets are poorly described⁸. As a result of this knowledge gap, there is limited understanding of chemoresistance, one of the greatest clinical challenges in modern cancer treatment and the promise of harnessing ROS as a therapeutic modality remains to be fully realized.

Whereas the non-specific nature of heightened ROS following anticancer drug treatment and its destruction of DNA has been proposed to underlie much of the activity of these agents⁸, there is a growing appreciation that ROS modification of specific proteins involved in key cellular pathways may also contribute to anticancer drug cytotoxicity⁹. Elucidating the mechanism of action of these ROS and in particular their molecular targets, has historically been problematic given the transient nature of ROS, the high concentrations required to observe phenotypic changes and the use of non-specific readouts, which have greatly limited functional insights. The global dissection of ROS-target proteins has been advanced using chemical proteomic technologies to profile changes in the reactivity of the amino acid, cysteine¹⁰. The unique chemical property of cysteine makes this residue a primary ROS target with central roles in regulating protein function. Using electrophilic cysteine-reactive probes, recent studies have categorized the direct cysteine targets of H₂O₂ and electrophilic lipids in vitro, revealing that ROS-regulated cysteines exist in kinases and metabolic enzymes¹¹. Moreover, these platforms have been used to define the mechanisms by which cells reprogram their redox environment to protect essential pathways^{12–14}.

While these chemical proteomic studies provide a list of ROS targets, a key challenge is to functionally understand how these protein targets contribute to the phenotypic consequences of ROS following anticancer drug treatment. To address these challenges, we describe an integrated approach comprised of cysteine-based chemical proteomics and functional genomic CRISPR screening. Using this framework, we provide a comprehensive portrait of functional protein targets of 11 different anticancer agents that have been previously found to regulate the steady-state levels of ROS in cells. We identified distinct proteins targeted by each cytotoxic agent, but also common targets including ribosomal proteins, which we

connect as regulatory sites for ROS controlled translation. By leveraging our integrated approach, we uncover a nucleus-based ROS sensor that controls compartmentalized H_2O_2 levels through regulation of mitochondrial translation. We demonstrate that nuclear H_2O_2 modifies a functional and conserved cysteine within the CHK1 kinase. This modification leads to CHK1 activation through a conformational change in its autoinhibitory domain, resulting in the activation of the kinase which launches a cellular program required to decrease nuclear H_2O_2 levels. Functional studies using a clinical CHK1 inhibitor (MK-8776, an agent in clinical trials as a mono/combination therapy^{15–17}), delineated a nuclear-to-mitochondrial translation, through the regulation of the mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) binding protein SSBP1. Loss of SSBP1 decreases nuclear H_2O_2 levels and provides resistance to platinum-based agents in ovarian cancer models. Our findings underscore the value of integrating distinct read outs of ROS activity to systematically characterize the cellular response to broad acting anticancer agents and precision-oncology medicines.

Results

Many anticancer drugs regulate cysteine reactivity

Our studies focused on multiple anticancer drugs at different stages of clinical evaluation that have been shown to increase steady-state ROS levels (Table S1). These include arsenic trioxide^{18,19} (ATO), used for treating acute promyelocytic leukemia that functions in part through the degradation of the aberrant PML-retinoic acid receptor alpha fusion protein; β -lapachone^{20,21} (LAP), which has pleiotropic effects and functions by increasing steady-state ROS through NAD(P)H: quinone oxidoreductase-1; doxorubicin²² (DOXO), a DNA topoisomerase II inhibitor; elesclomol^{23–25} (ELC), a copper chelator which raises steady-state ROS and blocks mitochondria metabolism; cisplatin^{26,27} (DDP), a DNA crosslinker; bleomycin^{28,29} (BLE), which oxidatively cleaves DNA; 5-fluorouracil³⁰ (5FU), an antimetabolite drug, exerting its anticancer effects through inhibition of thymidylate synthase and incorporation of its metabolites into RNA and DNA; sulfasalazine^{31–33} (SUL). an anti-inflammatory agent that functions as an xCT1 inhibitor resulting in an antioxidant imbalance; 2-methoxyestradiol^{34,35} (2ME), a microtubule stabilizer with pleotropic effects; Auranofin³⁶ (AUR), which inhibits TXNRD1/2 and antioxidant imbalance; and NOV-002^{37,38} (NOV), a glutathione disulfide mimetic, which disrupts cellular redox balance. These drugs potently blocked the growth of the K562 cell line at 4 days (Figure S1A, Table S1). Testing these agents at \sim 5X their IC₅₀ concentrations revealed minimal loss of cell viability at the 24 hrs time period, providing a context for exploring ROS signaling independent of secondary effects resulting from proliferation arrest (Figure S1B). We characterized changes in steady-state ROS levels of K562 cells following treatment with the above mentioned agents by measuring the intensity of 2',7'-dicholorodihydrofluourscien diacetate (DCF) and the levels of metabolites and pathways required for ROS detoxification including: NAD+/NADH³⁹ NADP+/NADPH⁴⁰ and NRF2 signaling (Figures 1A, S1C). This analysis revealed both time and compound specific differences in ROS response pathways following drug treatment.

We next sought to discover proteins targeted by anticancer agents by monitoring changes in cysteine reactivity using the iso-TMT platform^{13,41,42}. We rationalized that using this unbiased approach would allow us to capture the largest number of cysteine modifications, including oxidation, direct modification by a compound and adduction by ROS-related metabolites (e.g., lipid peroxides). These modifications are collectively read out as changes in cysteine reactivity that reflect primary and secondary ROS activities. We analyzed cells treated at early time points (2–3 hrs) to minimize changes in cysteine reactivities brought about by expression changes. We define cysteine reactivity changes regulated by these drugs as those showing an iso-TMT Ratio (R) with 1.5-fold change in reactivity compared to vehicle control. Out of 35656 cysteines and 8297 proteins identified, we found that 4980 cysteines within 2910 proteins had changes in their reactivity (Table S2A). K-means clustering of a subset (2498) of reactive cysteines detected in all proteomic experiments resulted in four distinct clusters of reactive cysteines (Figure 1C–D). To characterize the structural features underlying this clustering, we analyzed protein structures containing 4000+ commonly detected reactive and non-reactive cysteines (Table S2A). By identifying the nearest amino acid neighbors within a 10Å sphere centered on each cysteine of interest, we found specific amino acids enriched in each cluster (Figures 1C, S2A-B). For example, proximal cysteines are strongly selected for in clusters 2 and 3, suggesting the presence of disulfide bonds upon oxidation of the corresponding reactive cysteine. Interestingly, we identified a proximal lysine in cluster 1, suggesting the presence of the recently described lysine-cysteine redox switch⁴³ (Figures 1C, S2B). We found that amino acids identified by our structural analysis were not encapsulated in the primary sequence surrounding a cysteine of interest, implying that the chemical properties of cysteine reactivity changes may be missed by analyzing primary sequences alone (Figure S2C). Using commonly detected cysteines, we developed a 'cysteine reactivity score', finding that AUR- and LAP had the greatest changes in reactivity among all treatments (Figures 1B). By concentrating our analysis on cysteines identified in all treatments, we found 500+ common cysteine targets regulated by two or more agents (Figure 1E) in addition to cysteines that were distinctly targeted by each drug (Figure 1C). The cysteine reactivity score correlated with DCF staining, with the notable exception of SUL (Figure S2D). This suggests that the cysteine reactivity score may provide a faithful representation of the cellular ROS status.

We found that modified cysteines mapped to multiple pathways, including protein synthesis, glycolysis, DNA replication, and mTORC1 nutrient sensing (Figure S2E, Table S3A). Multiple ribosomal proteins contained cysteines regulated by anticancer agents (Figures 1F, S2E), suggesting a mechanistic link between changes in cysteine reactivity and translational control. Treatment of cells with compounds that regulated ribosomal cysteine reactivity revealed that AUR, DDP, and 2ME to a lesser extent, decreased protein synthesis, whereas other agents that do not modify ribosomal cysteines reactivity (e.g., BLE, 5FU and SUL) did not have a measurable impact (Figure 1G). Among the regulated ribosomal cysteines, we found that C22 in RPL18A and C39 in RPLA37A were altered following treatment with multiple agents, implicating these proteins as potential ribosomal sensors of ROS imbalance (Figure S2F). We determined that 82% of cysteine reactivity changes reflected bona-fide changes in reactivity, while we attribute the remaining changes to alterations in protein expression (Table S2A). For AUR treatment, we monitored reactivity changes

at 2 and 6 hrs to test if any early changes in cysteine reactivity would translate to changes in protein abundance. To this end, we overlaid modified cysteines with known ubiquitination sites on proteins and discovered that 41% of proteins whose expression was reduced contain a ubiquitination site within 20 residues of a modified cysteine (Figure S2G). For example, in AKT2, a critical regulator of cell growth and metabolism, C297 is the only cysteine modified at early time points. However, at later time points multiple cysteines on AKT2 are modified, decreasing expression by 1.5-fold, an observation that we confirmed by immunoblot (Figure S2H)–suggesting the existence of degrons specific to ROS-based cysteine modification. Collectively, these findings provide a comprehensive portrait of anticancer drug regulated cysteines and the immediate cellular pathways that are impacted by these agents.

Defining mechanisms of sensitivity and resistance to ROS regulated by an anticancer agent

Because cysteine reactivity changes can encompass many different modifications, we sought to prioritize agents that operate via an explicit ROS-based mechanism. For each compound, we compared its cysteine reactivity changes to those mediated by H_2O_2 (Table S2B) to the change in cytotoxicity following treatment with n-acetyl cysteine (NAC), a molecule with ROS scavenging abilities⁴⁴. This comparison highlighted AUR as having the greatest overlap with H_2O_2 targets and rescue by NAC (Figure 2A), suggesting that it could be relevant to cellular pathways that sense and respond to an increase in H_2O_2 . AUR is an FDA-approved drug for rheumatoid arthritis and is currently under experimental investigation for the treatment of chronic lymphocytic leukemia⁴⁵ and ovarian cancer in combination with Sirolimus⁴⁶. Although the established targets of this gold thiolate are TXNRD1/2⁴⁷, enzymes which are critical in the cellular antioxidant response, we suspected that given the diversity of its cysteines targets additional pathways may contribute to the cellular response to AUR. Importantly, we also suspected that AUR can be used as a tool to help understand the ROS-based pathways which are targeted by other anticancer drugs.

To this end, we performed a genome-wide CRISPRi screen to identify mechanisms of sensitivity and resistance to AUR treatment. K562 cells expressing dCas9-KRAB⁴⁸ were infected with a genome-wide sgRNA library and grown for 11 population doublings in the presence of vehicle or 1 µM of AUR (Figure 1B, Table S4). For each gene, we calculated a CRISPRi score by comparing the relative fold change between corresponding sgRNAs enriched in AUR vs. vehicle. This analysis identified 51 genes mediating resistance (e.g., whose corresponding sgRNAs were enriched in the treated cells) and 66 genes mediating sensitivity (e.g., sgRNAs depleted in the treated cells). The subcellular localization of hits from this screen highlighted the mitochondria and the nucleus as hubs of resistance and sensitivity, respectively (Figure 2D). We found multiple cellular pathways correlating with resistance, including those required for mitochondrial translation and ETC complex assembly. In contrast, genetic disruption of the DNA damage response (DDR) or the glutathione (GSH) biosynthetic pathway with buthionine sulfoximine (BSO)⁴⁹, strongly sensitized cells to AUR treatment (Figures 2C, S3A–B) with the identification of GSH biosynthesis confirming the robustness of this study to identify key regulatory pathways.

To prioritize AUR targets for mechanistic characterization, we calculated a 'prioritization score' by integrating the CRISPRi score and cysteine reactivity change for a given target (Figure 2E, Table S5). We reasoned that relevant targets would belong to cellular networks whose members are likely to mediate AUR cytotoxicity or become modified following treatment. Thus, we incorporated the 10 closest interactors as defined by STRING⁵⁰ into our prioritization score. This approach revealed multiple target proteins and corresponding networks, with an enrichment for high priority AUR targets/networks belonging to stress response or E3-ubiquin ligase pathways (Figures 2E, S3F). Many of these pathways have been previously connected to ROS control^{51–55} and localize to the nucleus (Tables S3B,5). To further focus our analysis on response to ROS, we overlaid H₂O₂-mediated changes in cysteine reactivity within the AUR response networks, revealing that the DNA damage kinase CHK1⁵⁶ is both required for mediating sensitivity to AUR and is further modified by H₂O₂ (Figures 2F, S3C–E). This finding suggests that CHK1 may participate in nuclear ROS sensing and response.

Identification of CHK1•C408 as a nuclear ROS sensor

CHK1 is modified at C408, a highly conserved cysteine that lies within the C terminal KA1 domain (Figure 3A). KA1 functions in an autoinhibitory capacity by binding and blocking the activity of the N terminal CHK1 kinase domain⁵⁷. Short-term treatment with AUR (3 hrs) led to CHK1 activation as measured by CHK1 autophosphorylation at S296, prior to a change in the phosphorylation of H2AX•S139 (Figure 3B), an established marker of DNA damage. Importantly, AUR activation of CHK1 was blocked by treatment with the antioxidant NAC (Figure 3B). To test the hypothesis that nuclear H₂O₂ may be involved in CHK1 activation, we first confirmed that AUR treatment increased nuclear H₂O₂ levels using two different nuclear localized H₂O₂ reporters, HyPer7 and roGFP2-Orp1^{58,59} (Figure S4A). Both reporters were oxidized following treatment with AUR, and this oxidation was completely rescued following treatment with NAC (Figures 3C, S4B-C). Treatment of cells with H₂O₂ led to a decrease in IA-DTB labeling of CHK1•C408 (Figures 3D, S4D) and a concomitant increase in binding of the sulfinic acid specific probe, nitroso-desthiobiotin (NO-DTB)⁶⁰⁻⁶², to CHK1•C408 (Figure 3E) suggesting that H₂O₂ directly oxidizes CHK1. To determine if CHK1•C408 oxidation by H2O2 leads to kinase activation, we targeted D-amino acid oxidase (DAAO) to the nucleus (Figure S4E). DAAO is an enzyme which oxidizes D-amino acids to their corresponding α -keto acids producing H₂O₂⁶³ and we found that short-term treatment with D-Ala but not L-Ala leads to an increase in CHK1 activity in a NAC-dependent manner (Figure 3F). At early time points, activation of nuclear DAAO did not increase H2AX•S139 phosphorylation (Figure 3F), suggesting that H₂O₂ activation of CHK1 precedes activation of canonical DNA damage markers. To demonstrate that H_2O_2 in cells is sufficient to activate CHK1, we fused DAAO to the N-terminus of CHK1 and localized the chimeric protein to the mitochondrial outer membrane, finding H_2O_2 activates CHK1 in this context (Figures 3G–H). Finally, in vitro treatment of CHK1 with H₂O₂ led to a dose-dependent increase in CHK1 activity (Figures 3I, S4F). Using a CHK1 in vitro binding assay, we found that addition of H₂O₂ strongly diminished the interaction between the KA1 and CHK1 kinase domain (Figure 3J), providing a mechanism by which CHK1•C408 oxidation activates CHK1.

Although no amino acid mutation can mimic C408 oxidation, we mutated this residue to Asp to model an oxidized form of cysteine, sulfinic $acid^{64}$ (Figure 3K). In vitro, the CHK1•C408D mutant and H₂O₂ -treated CHK1 demonstrated similar activation. However, the mutant could not be further activated, indicating that C408 is the target of H₂O₂ in the kinase (Figure 3L). Using a modified binding assay that monitors KA1 and kinase domain interaction, we confirmed that the KA1 domain harboring the C408D mutant poorly interacted with the N-terminal kinase domain of CHK1 (Figure 3M). Following AUR treatment, we found that K562 cells stably expressing FLAG-CHK1•C408D proliferate to a greater degree than cells expressing a control protein (METAP2) or WT CHK1, with a concomitant reduction in H2AX•S139 phosphorylation (Figures S4G–H). These data strongly suggest that C408 in CHK1 is a nuclear H₂O₂ sensor, which functions by disrupting the association of KA1 domain with the kinase domain leading to CHK1 activation.

CHK1 inhibition increases steady-state levels of nuclear H₂O₂

Given our identification of CHK1 as a nuclear H_2O_2 sensor, we wondered whether CHK1 might have a broader role in controlling ROS levels within this compartment. Treatment of K562 cells with a CHK1-inhibitor (MK-8776 herein referred to as CHK1i)⁶⁵ or depletion of CHK1 resulted in a substantial increase in nuclear H_2O_2 levels as determined by both the HyPer7 and roGFP2-Orp1 reporters (Figures 4A, D-E, S4I–L). Accordingly, reintroduction of CHK1 into CHK1 depleted cells decreased nuclear H_2O_2 levels (Figure 4B–C). Treatment with antioxidants including NAC, GSH ethyl ester (GSHee), and L-ergothionine rescued CHK1i mediated nuclear H_2O_2 (Figure 4D). Interestingly, NAC treatment also partially rescued the proliferation defects and H2AX•S139 phosphorylation incurred by this inhibitor (Figure 4F–G), further supporting the role of CHK1 in nuclear H_2O_2 can inhibit cell growth⁶⁶, we found that targeted generation of nuclear H_2O_2 with nuclear DAAO enhanced CHK1i-mediated cytotoxicity (Figure 4H). These results suggest that CHK1 is not simply an oxidized bystander, but rather is part of a dedicated sensing pathway that integrates nuclear H_2O_2 levels to combat a lethal rise in peroxide levels in the nucleus.

CHK1 phosphorylation of SSBP1 restricts its mitochondrial localization and decreases nuclear H_2O_2 level

Because CHK1 inhibition raises nuclear H_2O_2 levels, we hypothesized that a CHK1 substrate might be directly involved in ROS regulation. To identify the substrate, we overlaid CHK1 phosphoproteomics data⁶⁷ with our CRISPRi screen to find substrates whose depletion may revert or exacerbate AUR cytotoxicity (Figure 5A). Using this approach, we found that SSBP1, a mtDNA binding protein, met the criteria of a potential candidate. SSBP1 is active in the mitochondria, where it facilitates the interaction between mtDNA polymerase pol γ and the mtDNA helicase at the mtDNA replication fork⁶⁸. We verified that a reduction in SSBP1 levels led to a pronounced rescue of AUR cytotoxicity (Figure S5A). To mechanistically dissect SSBP1 regulation by CHK1, we first established that CHK1 phosphorylates SSBP1 in vitro at S67 (Figures 5B, S5F). We found an H₂O₂dependent increase in SSBP1 phosphorylation but did not detect any phosphorylation in a SSBP1•S67A mutant (Figure 5B). We also observed the CHK1•C408D mutant had heightened phosphorylation of SSBP1 (Figure 5C), consistent with the hyperactive state of this mutant. CHK1 and SSBP1 exist in an epistatic relationship, because nuclear H_2O_2 levels were significantly lowered following CHK1i treatment in cells depleted of SSBP1 in addition to a partial rescue of the cytotoxicity following CHK1 inhibition (Figures 5D, S5B–D).

The mitochondrial localization of SSBP1 is required for its cellular activity⁶⁹. Strikingly, we found that CHK1 activation, following AUR treatment, results in the redistribution of SSBP1 away from the mitochondria which could be rescued following treatment with CHK1i (Figure 5E, S5H). A SSBP1•S67D phosphomimetic mutant mirrored the redistribution of WT SSBP1 following AUR treatment (Figure 5F, S5I). The SSBP1•S67A phospho-deficient mutant constitutively localized to the mitochondria even following AUR treatment (Figure S5J), suggesting that CHK1 directly regulates SSBP1 localization through CHK1•S67 phosphorylation. Importantly, expression of constitutively active CHK1•C408D resulted in the cytosolic localization of SSBP1, in comparison to cells expressing wildtype CHK1 (Figure 5G), indicating that CHK1 activity is sufficient to direct the localization of SSBP1. To evaluate the impact of SSBP1 localization on nuclear H₂O₂ levels, we depleted endogenous SSBP1 and added back WT SSBP1, SSBP1•S67D or a nuclear localized SSBP1 (SSBP1-NLS), finding that in comparison to WT SSBP1, expression of SSBP1•S67D or SSBP1-NLS significantly reduced nuclear H₂O₂ levels following CHK1i or AUR treatment (Figures 5H-I, S5E). Cells expressing SSBP1•S67D were additionally protected from CHK1i and AUR cytotoxicity relative to cells expressing WT SSBP1 (Figures S5K-L), demonstrating that CHK1 regulates nuclear H2O2 levels through the phosphorylation and subsequent cytosolic retention of SSBP1.

CHK1-SSBP1 modulates mitochondrial translation to control nuclear H₂O₂ levels

Given its role in mitochondrial function, we suspected that SSBP1 may impact mitochondrial ROS, one of the major sites of cellular H₂O₂ production⁴. We found that depletion of SSBP1 led to a significant decrease in mitochondrial matrix H_2O_2 and superoxide following treatment with CHK1i (Figures 6A, S6A-B), suggesting that CHK1 regulates nuclear H₂O₂ levels through mitochondrial ROS generation. These results pointed to a nucleus-to-mitochondria signaling pathway, and we found that treatment of cells with Mito-TEMPO, a mitochondrially localized redox modulator⁷⁰, lowered nuclear H₂O₂ levels following CHK1i treatment (Figure 6B). Targeted generation of H₂O₂ within the mitochondrial matrix was only cytotoxic in the presence of CHK1i (Figure 6C, S6C), suggesting that cytotoxicity imparted by CHK1 inhibition is partially dependent on mitochondrial H₂O₂. To determine which ETC complex might contribute to CHK1-mediated mitochondrial ROS, we co-treated cells with CHK1i and S1QEL (a complex I superoxide suppressor^{71,72}) and S3QEL (a complex III superoxide suppressor⁷³), finding a decrease in nuclear H₂O₂ only after complex I superoxide suppression (Figure 6D). These epistasis experiments indicate that SSBP1 functions downstream of CHK1 to regulate mitochondrial H_2O_2 levels which in turn control nuclear H_2O_2 levels.

Recalling that top-scoring resistance genes to AUR toxicity per our CRISPRi screen were involved in mitochondrial translation (Figure 6E), we wondered whether the regulation of nuclear H_2O_2 by SSBP1 occurs at the level of mitochondrial translation. Consistent with

its regulation of mtDNA⁷⁴, depletion of SSBP1 reduced mtDNA (Figures S6D-E) and led to a strong downregulation of ETC proteins encoded by mtDNA, including MT-ND1, MT-CO2, MT-CYTB, and MT-ATP6 (Figure 6F, S6F). Other ETC components encoded by genomic DNA did not show a similar decrease (Figure 6F, S6F). Interestingly, inhibition of CHK1 resulted in an increase in the expression of mitochondrially encoded proteins and further increased mitochondrial translation rates in comparison to vehicle control (Figures 6F–H, S6G–H). The regulation of mitochondrial translation by CHK1 was directly dependent on SSBP1, as SSBP1 depletion or expression of the SSBP1•S76D cytosolic mutant prevented a corresponding increase in mitochondrially-encoded protein expression following CHK1i treatment (Figure 6G). To directly demonstrate that mitochondrial translation is necessary to regulate nuclear H_2O_2 levels downstream of CHK1, we treated cells with doxycycline (DOXY), an inhibitor of mitochondrial translation⁷⁵, finding a significant rescue of nuclear H₂O₂ levels following CHK1 inhibition (Figures 6I–J, S6I). Importantly, DOXY treatment reduced total mitochondrial H₂O₂ levels following CHK1i treatment (Figure S6J). Finally, we observed a significant decrease in CHK1i-mediated H2AX•S139 phosphorylation following DOXY treatment or SSBP1 depletion (Figures S6K–N), supporting our finding that DNA damage following CHK1 inhibition is, in part, due to dysregulation of mitochondrial translation.

We next asked whether SSBP1 could alter nuclear H2O2 levels following treatment with 9 additional anticancer agents, finding that depletion of this protein substantially decreased nuclear H2O2 levels following treatment with ATO, LAP and DDP (Figure 7A). Interestingly, cells depleted of SSBP1 were partially protected from the cytotoxicity of agents that raised nuclear H₂O₂ levels (Figures 7B, S6P). Because inhibition of GSH biosynthesis increased sensitivity to AUR treatment (Figures S3A–B), we wondered whether this GSH-dependency would also extend to other agents that increase nuclear H_2O_2 levels. Indeed, we find that depletion of glutathione increased the cytotoxicity of AUR, LAP and DDP (Figure S7A), and further complements previous findings demonstrating the requirement of GSH to neutralize DDP preventing its adduction to DNA^{76,77}. In contrast, GSH depletion did not affect the cytotoxicity of drugs such as 5FU or 2ME that do not alter nuclear H₂O₂ (Figures 7B, S6P, S7A). Mechanistically, we find that treatment with agents that result in higher levels of nuclear H2O2 also have an increased GSSG:GSH ratio, whereas compounds such as 5FU or 2ME did not alter this ratio (Figure S7B). Because H_2O_2 generated within the mitochondria must traverse the cytosol to reach the nucleus overcoming high concentrations of GSH^{78,79}, we elected to measure cytosolic GSH/GSSG following treatment with these agents using a cytosolic GSH/GSSG reporter (GRX1-roGFP2)⁸⁰. Anticancer agents which raise nuclear H₂O₂ (e.g. AUR, LAP and DDP) decreased the cytosolic GSH/GSSG ratio (Figure S7C-D). These results suggest the presence of an 'AND gate' required to regulate nuclear ROS by anticancer drugs: CHK1/ SSBP1 control mitochondrial H₂O₂ and anticancer agents contribute to the regulation of GSH/GSSG ratio. Together, they work in concert to permit mitochondrial H₂O₂ to travel to the nucleus, raising peroxide levels in this compartment.

Depletion of SSBP1 mediates resistance to cisplatin cytotoxicity

Platinum-based chemotherapies are common adjuvant treatments for women with high grade serous ovarian cancers (HGSOCs). When we stratified patients based on SSBP1 mRNA levels, we found that patients with lower levels of SSBP1 transcripts had a shorter duration to tumor recurrence following platinum-based chemotherapy than patients with higher levels of SSBP1 (Figure S7E). In a cohort of HGSOC patients treated at the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center (n=23) with differing platinum free intervals (PFIs) we queried SSBP1 protein expression in corresponding tumors, finding lower levels of SSBP1 correlated with a shorter PFI (Figure 7C). For a subset of patients (n=3), tumor tissue was available at the time of diagnosis and from biopsies of recurrent disease in the platinum resistant setting. In one patient of this subset, we also observed a decrease in SSBP1 staining in a recurrent post-treatment tumor compared treatment naive tumor (Figure 7D, Table S6). To probe the role of ROS in cisplatin cytotoxicity, we treated nine ovarian cancer models of different histological subtypes (HGSOC and clear cell carcinoma) with NAC, finding a decrease in nuclear H₂O₂ and a corresponding increase in the IC₅₀ of this drug (Figure S7F– G). As we observed in K562 cells, loss of SSBP1 decreased nuclear H_2O_2 levels in ovarian cancer models, which could be reverted by reintroduction of the protein in SSBP1-deficient cells (Figure 7E, S7H, J-K). Consistent with previous reports demonstrating a decrease in ROS production in ETC depleted cells^{4,81}, we found decreased nuclear H_2O_2 levels in cells depleted of SSBP1 at baseline (Figure S7I). Importantly, SSBP1 depleted cells demonstrated a reduced sensitivity to cisplatin cytotoxicity across the various ovarian cancer models we examined (Figures 7F, S7L). Finally, we generated three cisplatin resistant ovarian cancer cell lines, finding SSBP1 protein decreased in resistant cells compared to their non-resistant counterparts (Figures 7G–H). Collectively, these finding suggest that loss of SSBP1 may be selected for during the acquisition of platinum resistance.

Here, we define a nuclear-to-mitochondria ROS sensing circuit that illustrates how nuclear H_2O_2 sensing controls mitochondrial translation which in turn regulates the steady-state levels of nuclear ROS, revealing an unexpected connection between DNA damage sensing compartmentalized ROS regulation and platinum resistance in ovarian cancers (Figure 7I).

Discussion

The majority of cancer patients succumb to disease following the onset of chemoresistance, which we now appreciate arises through both genetic and non-genetic mechanisms^{82–86}. While proteins have long been appreciated as targets of ROS, the identity and functional significance of these targets following treatment with anticancer drugs is not established. This not only limits our understanding of resistance and normal tissue cytotoxicity, but hampers expanded use of these drugs in the clinic. Herein, using cysteine-focused chemical proteomics and functional genomics, we generated a global portrait of targets for 11 anticancer agents–information that is necessary to understand the cellular response to these drugs. Using this approach, we uncovered a nucleus-to-mitochondria ROS sensing pathway that may play a role in resistance to platinum-based therapies.

Our results suggest that mitochondrial translation is a major determinant of nuclear H_2O_2 levels and demonstrate how some anticancer drugs collaborate with mitochondrial

H₂O₂ to increase nuclear H₂O₂ and DNA damage. Given that high ROS levels damage nucleic acids^{87,88} it is perhaps not surprising that the nucleus has evolved its own pathway to dynamically respond to this stressor. Crosstalk between these two organelles has been extensively studied in the context of anterograde signaling and corresponding transcriptional regulation^{89,90}. However, our findings provide a direct posttranslational mechanism by which the nucleus leverages the DDR pathway to respond to high levels of nuclear H₂O₂ through the concomitant downregulation of mitochondrial translation. The canonical framework for ROS-based activation of DDR relies on direct DNA damage⁵⁶. Our multiomic analysis of ROS-regulated targets following anticancer drug treatment focused our attention on CHK1•C408, suggesting a parallel mechanism, by which the cell can respond to changes in altered nuclear H₂O₂ levels. While CHK1•C408 was a moderate-tostrong hit in both our chemical proteomic and functional genomic analysis, combining these orthogonal approaches elevated CHK1•C408 above other targets, prompting us to explore its role in nuclear ROS response. Our cellular and in vitro characterization of nuclear H_2O_2 indicate that this ROS is both necessary and sufficient to oxidize C408. Whether other species of ROS or electrophilic compounds can modify C408 remains an open question, however, the conservation of C408 in CHK1 suggests that this residue is likely to be important in multiple kingdoms of life and may function as a general nuclear ROS sensor.

Given the role of ROS in DNA damage, the downregulation of mitochondrial translation and resultant decrease in nuclear H_2O_2 provides a safety check mechanism to preserve genomic integrity. These findings suggest that reducing mitochondrial translation by regulating SSBP1 levels, may be a general mechanism of resistance to anticancer agents that increase steady-state levels of nuclear H_2O_2 levels. Indeed, we find that HGSOC patients with lower levels of tumoral SSBP1 have shorter platinum-free interval and directly demonstrate that lowering SSBP1 in multiple models of ovarian cancer confers resistance to cisplatin. Thus, our study suggests that co-treatment of tumors with platinum-based chemotherapies and CHK1 inhibitors, which restore SSBP1 localization to the mitochondria and increase ROS, may be an approach to overcome platinum resistance. Moreover, they suggest a general mechanism of resistance for therapeutic agents whose cytotoxicity is mediated in part by increasing the steady-state levels of nuclear H_2O_2 and is in accordance with the growing body of evidence that mitochondrial function is a critical determinant of therapeutic response⁹¹⁻⁹⁴.

By combining functional genomics with chemical proteomics, we have defined the mechanisms of sensitivity and resistance to AUR, a drug that is being explored for its anticancer properties and has been at the forefront of efforts to interrogate and interpret ROS biology. Our findings that AUR is sufficient to regulate nuclear H_2O_2 levels underscores the importance of its canonical targets TXNRD1/2 in the antioxidant response. Given the high levels of nuclear H_2O_2 following AUR treatment, it is perhaps surprising that depletion of one protein, SSBP1, can dramatically decrease H_2O_2 at this organelle and corresponding cytotoxicity. Thus, it illustrates the central role of mitochondrial translation in controlling ROS levels at other organelles and its centrality in the response to anticancer agents.

Our previous studies have indicated a strong enrichment for ROS-sensitive cysteines as targets of covalent inhibitors¹³. Thus, ROS targets defined as essential by functional

genomic studies may offer an attractive starting point for the future development of powerful therapeutics that will be more specific than broadly cytotoxic drugs studied herein.

Limitations of Study

In this study we identified cysteines whose reactivity changes following treatment with anticancer drugs. Hierarchal clustering for cysteine reactivity changes identified four distinct clusters and using structural modeling we found distinct amino acids patterns were enriched near reactive cysteines in each cluster, that may be important in controlling cysteine reactivity. However, our study does not address the root feature(s) that drives this clustering. These additional drivers could be: 1) the cellular location of ROS following anticancer drug treatment, 2) detoxification mechanisms unique to each agent; 3) the generation of additional cysteine reactive molecules (e.g. lipid peroxides); and 4) direct adduction of cysteines by these agents as has been previously reported for arsenic trioxide and auranofin^{95,96}. We still know very little about what governs cysteine reactivity changes at both the structural and cellular levels. Thus, more studies are needed to understand the mechanisms by which anticancer drugs increase ROS levels and the particular species which alter cysteines.

STAR ★ METHODS

RESOURCE AVAILABILITY

Lead contact—Further information and requests for reagents should be directed to the Lead Contact, Liron Bar-Peled (LBAR-PELED@mgh.harvard.edu).

Materials availability

• All unique/stable reagents generated in this study are available from the Lead Contact with a completed Materials Transfer Agreement.

Data and code availability

- Proteomics data have been deposited in PRIDE: PXD041138 and is publicly available.
- This paper does not report original code.
- Any additional information required to reanalyze data reported in this paper is available from the lead contact.

EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

Cell lines—All cells were maintained at 37°C with 5% CO2. HEK293T were grown in DMEM (Corning) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Corning), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100 mg/ml, Millipore) and L-glutamine (2 mM, Corning). K562, K562-dCAS9-KRAB, OVCAR8, Kuramochi, OVISE, OVCAR4, PEO1 were grown in RPMI-1640 (Invitrogen) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Corning), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100 mg/ml, Millipore) and 1% GlutaMax (Millipore). OVCAR3 were grown in RPMI-1640 (Invitrogen) supplemented with 20% fetal bovine serum (FBS,

Corning), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100 mg/ml, Millipore) and 1% GlutaMax (Millipore). OV90, CAOV3 and OAW28 were grown in DMEM/F12 (Invitrogen) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Corning), Penicillin-Streptomycin (100 mg/ml, Millipore) and 1% GlutaMax (Millipore). All cell lines were routinely tested for Mycoplasma and if not noted elsewhere were obtained from American Tissue Type Collection (ATCC). Whenever thawed, cells were passaged at least three times before being used in experiments.

METHOD DETAILS

Compound treatment—Anticancer drugs were formatted in the following manner: ATO and DDP were dissolved in saline solution, LAP, DOXO, ELC, BLE, 5FU, SUL, AUR, 2ME and NOV were dissolved in DMSO. Cells were treated as described below. Figure 1A: Changes in DCF intensity, NAD+/NADH, NADP+/NADPH, and NRF2 activity in K562 cells following treatment with 5.1 µM ATO, 1.5 µM LAP, 0.1 µM DOXO, 30 nM ELC, 8.3 µM DDP, 7.1 µM BLE, 6.0 µM 5FU, 0.5 mM SUL, 2.5 µM AUR, 1 µM 2ME or 0.5 mM NOV for 24 hrs; Figure 1G: K562 cells were treated with 2.5 μ M AUR, 1 μ M 2ME, 8.3 µM DDP, 7.1 µM BLE, 6.0 µM 5FU, 0.5 mM SUL or cycloheximide (CHX, 1hr) for 12 hrs; Figure 3B: K562 cells were treated with 1.5 µM AUR in the presence of 5mM NAC or vehicle control for 3 hrs; Figure 3C: K562 cells expressing the indicated reporters were treated with DMSO or 1.5 µM AUR in the presence or absence of 5mM NAC; Figure 3D: K562 cells were treated with 100 µM H₂O₂ for 1 hr; Figure 3E: HEK-293T cells expressing FLAG-CHK1 or CHK1•S408S and treated with 100 µM H₂O₂ for 1 hr; Figure 3F: K562 cells stably expressing D-amino acid oxidase (DAAO) localized to the nucleus were treated for 3 hrs. with either 10 mM L-Ala or D-Ala or 5 mM NAC; Figure 3H: HEK293T cells expressing the indicated proteins were treated with 10 mM L-Ala or D-Ala as described in 3F; Figure 3I: Purified CHK1 was treated with 0-1 mM H₂O₂; Figure 3J: K562 cell lysates were treated H2O or 100 µM H₂O₂; Figure 3L: Purified CHK1 was treated with 1000 µM H₂O₂; Figure 4A: K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing sgCTRL or sgCHK1 were treated with saline buffer or 5 mM NAC for 6hrs; Figure 4D: K562 cells expressing HyPer7-NLS were treated with 2 µM CHK1 inhibitor MK-8776 (CHK1i) and the following antioxidants: NAC (5 mM), GSH ethyl ester (GSHee, 1 mM), Ergothioneine (1 mM) or Trolox (50 uM) for 48 hrs; Figure 4E: K562 cells expressing nuclear roGFP2-ORP1 were treated with CHK1i (2 µM) and NAC (5 mM) for 48 hrs; Figure 4F: K562 cells were co-treated with 1 µM CHK1i and 5 mM NAC for 96 hrs; Figure 4G: CHK1i (2 µM) and NAC (5 mM) treatment in K562 for 24 hrs; Figure 4H: K562 cells stably expressing nuclear localized DAAO were pretreated for 72 hrs. with 10mM L-Ala or D-Ala prior to treatment with vehicle or $0.5 \,\mu$ M CHK1i; Figure 5B: Purified CHK1 was treated with 1000 µM H₂O₂; Figure 5D: K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated sgRNAs targeting SSBP1 and treated with DMSO or 2 µM CHK1i for 48hrs; Figure 5E: K562-dCas9-KRAB cells treated with vehicle, 1.5µM AUR, 2µM CHK1i or AUR/CHK1i for 6 hrs; Figure 51: Reintroduction of SSBP1-HA, SSBP1•S67D-HA SSBP1-NLS-HA into K562 depleted of SSBP1 were treated with DMSO or 2 µM CHK1i for 48hrs; Figure 6A: K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated sgRNAs and treated with DMSO or 2 µM CHK1i for 48hrs; Figure 6B: K562 cells expressing HyPer7-NLS were treated with 10µM mitoTEMPO and 2 µM CHK1i for 48hrs; Figure 6C: K562 cells expressing mitochondrial matrix DAAO were treated with 0.5 µM CHK1 or 5 mM L-Ala or D-Ala for 96hrs; Figure 6D: K562

cells expressing HyPer7-NLS were co-treated with 5 μ M S1QEL1.1 or 50 μ M S3QEL-2 for 24 hrs followed by 2 μ M CHK1i for 48 hrs; Figure 6F: K562-dCas9-KRAB cells stably expressing the indicated sgRNAs and treated with 2 μ M CHK1i for 72 hrs; Figure 6G: K562 cells expressing the indicated sgRNA targeting SSBP1 and SSBP1, SSBP1•S67D or METAP2 (control) were treated as described in 6F; Figure 6H: K562 cells were pre-treated for 72 hrs. with 2.3 μ M Doxycycline (DOXY) at which time the drug was removed and cells were treated with 2 μ M CHK1i or vehicle control; Figure 6I: K562 cells treated with 2.3 μ M doxycycline (DOXY) for 72 hrs; Figure 6J: K562 cells expressing HyPer7 localized to nucleus were pre-treated for 72 hrs., with 2.3 μ M DOXY followed by 2 μ M CHK1i treatment for 48 hrs; Figure 7A: K562 cells expressing HyPer7 localized to nucleus were treated agents as described in Figure S1A; Figure 7G: Cell lines expressing nuclear HyPer7 were co-treated with 5 mM NAC or vehicle control and 8.3 μ M cisplatin for 24 hrs.

In experiments where multiple anticancer drugs were compared, we added DMSO to the ATO or DDP treated samples and saline to the rest including vehicle control. The final concentration of DMSO in cell culture medium was maintained at 0.1% during small molecule treatment unless otherwise noted.

cDNA cloning and mutagenesis—cDNAs were amplified using Q5 High-Fidelity 2X master mix (NEB) and subcloned into the pRK5 (Addgene), pLJM1 (Addgene) or pLenti CMV (Addgene) by T4 ligation or Gibson cloning. Site directed mutants were generated using QuikChange XLII site-directed mutagenesis (Agilent), using primers containing the desired mutations. All constructs were verified by DNA sequencing. Primer sequences can be found in Table S7.

H2DCFDA and MitoSox measurements—For H2DCFDA (ThermoFisher Scientific, Wlatham, MA) staining in K562 cells, cells were treated as indicated in the text and were washed with prewarmed PBS and harvested by centrifugation at 1200 *g* at room temperature for 2 mins. The cell pellet was resuspended in PBS with 1 μ M of CM-H2DCFDA and incubated for 45 min in a 37°C incubator with controlled CO2 levels (5%). Cells were subsequently washed with PBS. Changes in CM-H2DCFDA fluorescence were determined via flow cytometry using Aurora (Cytek) or CytoFLEX (Beckman Coulter). Data was analyzed using Flowjo v10.6 for FITC intensity. For MitoSoxTM Red (ThermoFisher Scientific) staining in K562 cells, 0.5 03BCzM MitoSoxTM Red was added directly to the culture medium and incubated for 20 min in a 37°C incubator with controlled CO₂ levels (5%). Changes in MitoSoxTM Red fluorescence were determined by flow cytometry using Aurora or CytoFLEX. PE intensity was analyzed using Flowjo v10.6.

GSSG/GSH, NADH/NAD+ and NADPH/NADP+ measurement—K562 cells were treated with different anticancer drugs in 6-well plates per the timepoints indicated in the text. The ratio of GSSG/GSH, NADH/NAD+ and NADPH/NADP+ was determined using the GSH/GSSG-Glo[™] Assay Kit (Promega, Madison, WI), NAD/NADH-Glo[™] Assay Kit (Promega) and NADP/NADPH-Glo[™] Assay Kit (Promega), respectively, following the manufacturer's protocol. Absorbance was measured using a SpectraMax M5 plate reader (Molecular Devices, San Jose, CA).

Confocal imaging of cell lines expressing HyPer7/roGFP2-Orp1 reporters— K562 or K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated HyPer7/ roGFP2-Orp1 reporters with a concentration of approximately 5×10^5 cells/ml were seeded on poly-lysine coated glass bottom dish (ThermoFisher Scientific) and treated with compounds as indicated in the methods sections. Dishes were firmly mounted on the stage adaptor of the Zeiss 710 Laser Scanning Confocal microscope (Carl Zeiss Inc.). Constant temperature (37 °C), humidity, and 5% CO2 atmosphere were maintained throughout the duration of cell imaging. Images were acquired using a 63X oil objective. The oxidized form of the HyPer7 reporter was detected by exciting HyPer7 expressing cells with a 488-nm laser and measuring emission in the 500-520 nm range. Reduced HyPer7 was detected by exciting HyPer7 expressing cells with a 405-nm laser and measuring emission in the 500-545 nm range. The oxidized form of the roGFP2-Orp1 reporter was measured by exciting roGFP2-Orp1 expressing cells with a 405-nm laser and measuring emission in the 500-520 nm range. The reduced form was measured by exciting roGFP2-Orp1 expressing cells with a 488-nm laser and measuring emission in the 500-545 nm range. Acquisition parameters were identical between samples. Images were processed using the ZEN 2.6 Image software (Carl Zeiss Inc.). Ratiometric images of HyPer7 were processed using ImageJ (NIH). Threshold images after subtraction of background were split into two different channels, divided with Image Calculator. 32-bit ratiometric images were generated and presented in the 16 color mode using Lookup Tables.

Flow cytometry analysis of cell lines expressing HyPer7/roGFP2-Orp1

reporters—Sixteen thousand K562 or K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated HyPer7/ roGFP2-Orp1 reporters were seeded in a 96-well plate for 24 hrs and treated as indicated in the methods section. HyPer7/ roGFP2-Orp1 oxidation and reduction was determined by flow cytometry using an Aurora (Cytek) or CytoFLEX (Beckman Coulter) measuring emission at 530 nm following excitation at 405 nm or 488 nm. The ratio of $\lambda ex = 488 \text{ nm}/ \lambda em = 530 \text{ nm}$ to $\lambda ex = 405 \text{ nm}/ \lambda em = 530 \text{ nm}$ to $\lambda ex = 488 \text{ nm}/ \lambda em = 530 \text{ nm}$ signal for HyPer7 and ratio of $\lambda ex = 405 \text{ nm}/ \lambda em = 530 \text{ nm}$ to $\lambda ex = 488 \text{ nm}/ \lambda em = 530 \text{ nm}$ signal for roGFP2-Orp1 was determined using Flowjo v10.6.

Immunofluorescence—One million K562 or K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated HyPer7/ roGFP2-Orp1 reporters or SSBP1-HA/ SSBP1-FLAG were fixed with 4% PFA (EMS) for 15 min and resuspend with PBS to a concentration of approximately 5×10^5 cells/ml. Cells spun onto coverslips using a ThermoFisher Scientific cytospin cytocentrifuge. The slides were then rinsed with PBS and cells were permeabilized with 0.1% Triton X-100 in PBS for 10 min. The slides were rinsed with PBS and incubated with primary antibodies in 4% BSA overnight at 4°C. Following three PBS washes, the slides were incubated with secondary antibodies conjugated to the Alexa Fluor[®] 488 and 594 fluorophores (Invitrogen) for 2 hrs at room temperature. The slides were rinsed and mounted on glass slides using ProLongTM gold antifade mount without or with DAPI (ThermoFisher Scientific). For HEK293T stably expressing FLAG-DAAO (nuclear or mitochondria matrix localized), cells were plated on poly-lysine coated glass coverslips in 12-well tissue culture plates. 48 hrs later, the culture media was removed, and cells were fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (Electron microscopy services) for 15min. Staining was performed as described above. Cells were imaged on Zeiss LSM 710 laser scanning confocal microscope or Olympus under 63x

oil objective. Images were processed using ZEN 2.6 Image software (Carl Zeiss Inc.) and ImageJ (NIH). For high resolution imaging, cells were imaged on Nikon CSU-W1 SoRa Spinning Disk Microscope (Nikon Instruments Inc.) under 63x oil objective, images were deconvoluted and processed using Nikon elements software.

Cell lysis and FLAG-Immunoprecipitations—K562 or HEK-293T cells expressing the indicated proteins were washed once with ice-cold PBS and lysed using a chilled bath sonicator (Q700, QSonica) in Triton IP buffer (1% Triton X-100 (sigma), 5 mM MgCl₂, 40 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 10 mM KCl) supplemented with protease inhibitors (Roche), phosphatase inhibitors (Roche, Boston, MA) and Benzonase (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Santa Cruz, CA). Lysates were clarified by centrifugation at 13000rpm for 10 min. Samples were normalized to 1 mg/ml and boiled following the addition of sample buffer. For FLAG immunoprecipitations, anti-FLAG M2 resin (Sigma-Aldrich, St Louis, MO) was added to the pre-cleared lysates and incubated 3 hrs at 4°C. Following immunoprecipitation, beads were washed once with Triton IP buffer followed by 3 times with Triton IP buffer supplemented with 500 mM NaCl. In the in vitro binding assay of CHK1 kinase domain with endogenous CHK1, K562 cells expressing FLAG-CHK1 kinase domain was lysed using IP buffer supplemented with 0.3% CHAPS (Sigma-Aldrich) instead of 1 % Triton. Clarified lysate was pretreated with DMSO or $100 \,\mu\text{M}$ H₂O₂ for 2 hrs and then incubated with anti-FLAG M2 resin for immunoprecipitation. Following bead washes, loading buffer was added to the immunoprecipitated proteins which were subsequently denatured by boiling for 5 min. Proteins were resolved by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by immunoblotting.

IA-DTB labeling of CHK1—K562 cells stably expressing FLAG-CHK1 or FLAG-C408S•CHK1 were treated with H_2O or 100 μ M H_2O_2 for 1 hr and then incubated with 1 mM IA-DTB for 1 hr. Cells were washed with ice-cold PBS and lysed using a chilled bath sonicator (Q700, QSonica) in PBS buffer supplemented with Benzonase (Santa Cruz Biotechnology). Samples were adjusted to 2 mg/mL. IA-DTB modified proteins were enriched by the addition of streptavidin beads (ThermoFisher Scientific) and following 2 hrs incubation, beads were washed twice with 0.1% IGEPAL (Sigma-Aldrich), PBS and Triton IP buffer supplemented with 500 mM NaCl. Proteins were then resolved by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by immunoblotting of FLAG-CHK1 or FLAG-C408S•CHK1.

Synthesis of NO-DTB probe—Synthesis of phenyl 4-((2-(6-((4S,5R)-5-methyl-2oxoimidazolidin-4-yl)hexanamido)ethyl)carbamoyl)-2-nitrosobenzoate (**NO-DTB**)^{42,99–101} is summarized below and reaction schematic can be found in Method S1A. To a solution of 2-aminoterephthalic acid (1.0 g, 5.53 mmol) in 1,4-Dioxane (80 mL) was added triphosgene (1.64 g, 5.53 mmol) at room temperature. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 6 hr. at room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured in H₂O (200 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 75mL). The organic layers were combined, washed with brine and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford 4-carboxylic isatoic anhydride as an off white solid (97%).

Phenol (681 mg, 7.25 mmol) (anhydrous; prior to addition: solubilized in EtOAc, dried with MgSO₄, concentrated, then placed under vacuum to dry) and triethylamine (1.34 mL, 9.66 mmol) were added to a solution of 4-carboxylic isatoic anhydride (1000 mg, 4.83 mmol)

in anhydrous 1,4-dioxane (40 mL). The mixture was stirred under N₂ and refluxed for 6 h. The crude mixture was concentrated, then diluted with water (15 mL), and the pH was adjusted to 3 with conc. HCl. The solution was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL) to yield the 3-amino-4-(phenoxycarbonyl)benzoic acid as a bright yellow solid (98%).

To a flame dried 3-necked flask, 3-amino-4-(phenoxycarbonyl)benzoic acid (166 mg, 0.578 mmol), COMU (292 mg, 0.682 mmol), DIPEA (220 mg, 1.70 mmol), and DMF (5 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred under N2 for 15 minutes, then N-(2-aminoethyl)-6-((4R,5S)-5-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-4-yl) hexanamide (166 mg, 0.625 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 12 hr. at RT, then it was concentrated and purified via column chromatography with DCM/MeOH to afford phenyl 2-amino-4-((2-(6-((4S,5R)-5-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-4-yl)hexanamido)ethyl)carbamoyl)benzoate (35%) (See Method MS1B).

A solution of oxone (46.6 mg, 0.303 mmol) in water (3.0 mL) was added to a solution of 1-phenyl2-aminoterephthalate (50.0 mg, 0.101 mmol) in CHCl3 (1.0 mL). The reaction was vigorously stirred for 12 hrs. The solution was concentrated and purified via column chromatography with DCM/MeOH to afford phenyl 4-((2-(6-((4S,5R)-5-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-4-yl)hexanamido)ethyl)carbamoyl)-2-nitrosobenzoate (nitroso-dtb) (21%). 1H NMR (MeOH-d4, 400 MHz, mixture of monomer and dimer 1:1): δ 8.34 (d, J = 8.33 Hz, 0.5H), 8.17–8.04 (m, 2H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.49–7.16 (m, 6H), 3.77–3.42 (m, 6H), 2.18 (t, J = 2.18 Hz, 2H), 1.60–1.19 (m, 10H), 1.03 (d, J = 1.03 Hz, 3H). 13C NMR (MeOH-d4, 100 MHz, mixture of monomer and dimer): δ 175.5, 150.9, 133.4, 130.0, 129.4, 129.2, 126.2, 121.8, 121.3, 113.77, 113.11, 56.0, 51.3, 38.45, 35.7, 29.3, 28.9, 25.8, 25.5, 14.27. ESI-LCMS calcd. for C26H31N5O6 (M-H) 510.2, found 510.2 (see Method MS1C).

Detection of CHK1 Sulfinylation-Detection of CHK1 Sulfinylation by NO-DTB labeling was performed as previously reported^{61,62}. In brief, K562 cells stably expressing FLAG-CHK1 or FLAG-C408S•CHK1 were treated with H₂O or 100 µM H₂O₂ for 1hr. Cells were washed with ice-cold PBS and lysed using a chilled bath sonicator (Q700, QSonica) in Triton IP buffer (1% Triton X-100 (Sigma-Aldrich), 5 mM MgCl2, 40 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 10 mM KCl) supplemented with protease inhibitors (Roche), phosphatase inhibitors (Roche), Benzonase (Santa Cruz Biotechnology) and 5 mM DTT. Lysates were clarified by centrifugation at 13000 rpm for 10 min. Free thiols were trapped by incubation with 2 mM of 4,4'-dithiodipyridine (4-DPS) at room temperature for 1 hr and subsequently the buffer was exchanged using one Micro Bio-Spin column pre-equilibrated with 100 mM HEPES, pH 8.5, 100 mM NaCl. DPS-free lysates were then reacted with 500 µM NO-DTB in the dark at room temperature with rotation for 1 hr. Total protein was purified by the addition of a chloroform-methanol solution (4:4:1, methanol, water, chloroform) to each sample and precipitated following centrifugation at 4200 RPM for 10 min. The protein disc was isolated, washed once in methanol, resuspended in Buffer X1 (9 M Urea, 10 mM DTT, 50 mM tetramethylammonium bicarbonate (TEAB) and incubated for 20 min at 65°C. NO-DTB modified proteins were then enriched by the addition of streptavidin beads (ThermoFisher Scientific) and following 2 hrs incubation, beads were washed twice with 0.1% IGEPAL (Sigma-Aldrich), PBS and Triton IP buffer supplemented with 500mM NaCl. Proteins

were then resolved by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by immunoblotting of FLAG-CHK1 or FLAG-C408S•CHK1.

In vitro CHK1 kinase assay—K562 cells stably expressing FLAG-CHK1 or FLAG-C408D•CHK1 were lysed by sonication in Triton IP buffer and immunoprecipitated using anti-FLAG M2 beads as described above. Immobilized FLAG-CHK1 was dephosphorylated by treating the protein with calf alkaline phosphatase (NEB) for 1 hr at 37°C. Immobilized FLAG-CHK1 was subsequently washed 3 times in CHK1 kinase buffer (10 mM HEPES, pH 7.5, 10 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM MnCl₂) and the kinase assay was initiated by adding 1 mM ATP (Sigma-Aldrich) and the indicated compounds and incubating at 37°C for 45 min. The reaction was stopped by washing the samples once with ice-cold CHK1 kinase buffer and adding loading buffer. Proteins were resolved by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by immunoblotting. For in vitro phosphorylation of SSBP1 by CHK1, HEK293T cells transiently expressed SSBP1-HA or SSBP1 (S67A)-HA were lysed by sonication in Triton IP buffer and immunoprecipitated using anti-HA magnetic beads. Immobilized SSBP1-HA was dephosphorylated by treating the protein with calf alkaline phosphatase (NEB) for 1 hr. as described above. Immobilized SSBP1-HA or SSBP1 (S67A)-HA was subsequently incubated with HA-CHK1 or HA-METAP2 and washed 3 times in CHK1 kinase buffer (10 mM HEPES, pH 7.5, 10 mM MgCl₂, 10 mM MnCl₂). The kinase assay was initiated by adding 100 μ M ATP (Sigma-Aldrich), 2 μ Ci [γ -32P] ATP (PerkinElmer, Hopkinton, MA), incubated at 30°C for 30 min, and then boiled at 95°C for 5 min in 5X sample buffer. Phosphorylation was assessed by 16% SDS-PAGE by autoradiography.

Mitochondria translation measurement—K562 cells were treated with 2.3 μ M Doxycycline to inhibit mitochondrial translation. After 72 hrs treatment, the cells were refreshed with RPMI medium with DMSO or 2 μ M CHK1i. Aa final concentration of 0.1% DMSO was used. Cell were harvested at different timepoints as indicated in the text and lysed as described above. Proteins were resolved by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by immunoblotting as described in the text.

isoTOP-TMT sample preparation—isoTMT samples were prepared as described in¹³, with the modifications noted below. Briefly, K562-dCas9-KRAB cells were treated at 37°C with the indicated compounds for the noted time in the text. Cells were harvested by centrifugation at 1200 *g* for 2 min and then washed once with ice-cold PBS and lysed in PBS with Benzonase (Santa Cruz Biotechnology) by using a chilled bath sonicator. Samples were clarified by centrifugation for 3 min at 300 *g*. Samples were adjusted to 2 mg/mL and incubated with 100 μ M of iodoacetamide-desthiobiotin (IA-DTB, Santa Cruz Biotechnology) for 1 hr at room temperature. Alkylation was terminated by the addition of a chloroform-methanol solution (4:4:1, methanol, water, chloroform) to each sample and proteins were precipitated following centrifugation at 4200 RPM for 10 min. The protein disc was isolated, washed once in methanol, resuspended in Buffer X1 (9 M Urea, 10 mM DTT, 50 mM tetramethylammonium bicarbonate (TEAB) and incubated for 20 min at 65°C. Samples were subsequently alkylated with 500 mM Iodoacetamide for 30 min at 37°C and digested for 3 hrs with Trypsin (Promega). IA-DTB modified peptides were enriched by the addition of streptavidin beads (ThermoFisher Scientific) and following 2 hrs incubation,

beads were washed twice with 0.1% IGEPAL (Sigma-Aldrich), PBS and H_2O . Peptides were eluted with a mixture of 50:50:0.1 (Acetonitrile: H_2O : Formic Acid) and subsequently dried.

TMT-Labeling—Samples were prepared as previously described¹⁰². Briefly, 20µg of peptides from each sample were labeled with isobaric tandem-mass-tag (TMT) reagents (Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Jose, CA) in 20 mM pH 8.5 HEPES with 30% acetonitrile (v/v) with 50 ug of TMT reagent. The reaction was quenched for 15 min by adding hydroxylamine to a final concentration of 0.3% (v/v). Samples were combined, dried, purified over SepPak C18 columns, and dried again. Samples were then resuspended in 40 µL of basic reverse phase (bRP) buffer A (10 mM NH4HCO2, pH10, 5% ACN) and separated on a Zorbax Extended C18 column (2.1 × 150 mm, 3.5 µm, no. 763750–902, Agilent) using a gradient of 10–40% bRP buffer B (10 mM NH₄HCO₂, pH 10, 90% ACN). 96 fractions were collected before concatenation to 12 or 24 fractions. Each fraction was dried and desalted over a C18 STAGE-Tip prior to analysis by mass spectrometry.

LC-MS Analysis of Total Protein Fractions—Samples were analyzed on an Orbitrap Fusion Lumos or Orbitrap Eclipse mass spectrometer (ThermoFisher Scientific) coupled with a Proxeon EASY-nLC 1200 liquid chromatography (LC) pump (ThermoFisher Scientific). Peptides were separated on a 100 µm inner diameter microcapillary column packed with ~40 cm of Accucore150 resin (2.6 µm, 150 Å, Thermo Fisher Scientific, San Jose, CA). For each analysis, we loaded approximately 1 µg onto the column. Peptides were separated using a 2.5 hr. gradient of 6–30% acetonitrile in 0.125% formic acid with a flow rate of 550 nL/min. Each analysis used an SPS-MS3-based TMT method¹⁰³⁻¹⁰⁵, which has been shown to reduce ion interference compared to MS2 quantification. The scan sequence began with an MS1 spectrum (Orbitrap analysis, resolution 120,000; 350-1400 m/z, automatic gain control (AGC) target 4.0×105 , maximum injection time 50 ms). Precursors for MS2/MS3 analysis were selected using a Top10 method. MS2 analysis consisted of collision-induced dissociation (quadrupole ion trap; AGC 2.0 × 104; normalized collision energy (NCE) 35; maximum injection time 120 ms). Following acquisition of each MS2 spectrum, we collected an MS3 spectrum a method in which multiple MS2 fragment ions are captured in the MS3 precursor population using isolation waveforms with multiple frequency notches. MS3 precursors were fragmented by HCD and analyzed using the Orbitrap (NCE 65, AGC 3.5×105 , maximum injection time 150 ms, isolation window 1.2 Th, resolution was 50,000 at 200 Th).

MS Data Processing and Analysis—MS spectra were evaluated using Comet and the GFY-Core platform (Harvard University)^{106–109}. Searches were performed against the most recent update of the Uniprot Homo sapiens database with a mass accuracy of +/–50ppm for precursor ions and 0.02 Da for product ions. Static modification of lysine and N-termini with TMT (229.1629 Da) and carbamidomethylation (57.0215 Da) of cysteine were allowed, along with oxidation (15.9949 Da) of methionine residues and modification (398.2529 Da) of cysteine residues as variable modifications. Results were filtered to a 1% peptide-level FDR with mass accuracy +/–5ppm on precursor ions and presence of a modified cysteine residue for Cys-Mod samples. Results were further filtered to a 1% protein level false

discovery rate. TMT quantitative results were generated in GFY-Core. For TMT-based reporter ion quantitation, we extracted the summed signal-to-noise (S/N) ratio for each TMT channel and found the closest matching centroid to the expected mass of the TMT reporter ion. MS3 spectra with TMT reporter ion summed signal-to-noise ratios less than 100 were excluded from quantitation.

Ratio and Median Calculation—Abundances for each peptide corresponding to a site on a canonical protein were totaled and normalized to the median for each agent and control. The ratio (R) between the abundances for the control and agent was calculated. For each protein and agent, the median was calculated among the ratios for each site on the protein if there were 3 or more sites identified.

Circos plot—The R package "circlize" was used to create a chord diagram where each point around the circle represented a site with R > 1.5 in a particular treatment and edges were drawn between any sites shared between two treatments (https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/circlize/citation.html).

Clustering Analysis—The UMAP embedding was calculated with the umap. UMAP function of the Python umap.umap_package (n_neighbors = 15 and random_state = 42). Reactive cysteines were clustered using K-means clustering.

Structural Analysis—PDB files mapping to 4199/15165 commonly detected cysteines were downloaded (Table S2C)¹¹⁰. Centroids for each amino acid within a structure were computed, and all residues with Euclidean distance 10Å of a cysteine of interest were included for further analysis. The distances of these neighbors were then rank ordered in ascending fashion, and these sorted lists were used to generate pLogo motifs¹¹¹. The neighbors of cysteines with 0.7 max(R) 1.3 were used to calculate background probabilities in the pLogo algorithm. To obtain spatial enrichment of residues near cysteines of interest we binned the 10Å radius around cysteines of interest into 0.5Å intervals¹¹¹. In order to ascertain the concordance between neighbors in the primary sequence (derived from UP000005640_9606.fasta) and 3-dimensional space, we tabulated the frequency of agreement between the nth-nearest neighbor in 3D space and the ±nth-nearest neighbor in linear sequence on all reactive cysteines. All scenes were generated in PyMOL (PyMOL Molecular Graphics System, version 2.5.2, Schrödinger).

Reactive Cysteine Signature Score—The score was calculated by multiplying the number of cysteines with a ratio above 1.5 for all agents by the median of those ratios above 1.5, only including cysteines which had observations for all agents.

Protein Localization Analysis—The most common annotation among the five cell lines (A431, H322, HCC827, MCF7, and U251) from SubCellBarCode (SCBC) was calculated for each protein. Annotated localizations from UniProt and Protein Atlas were compared to extract matching terms and prefixes. Terms, prefixes, SCBC neighborhoods were mapped to a discrete list of subcellular localizations, and the consensus localization was calculated from any localization found in two of the three datasets or SCBC if there were no matching localizations between UniProt and Protein Atlas. Additionally, UniProt

annotations tagged with "ECO:0000269" (indicating manually curated annotations derived from published experimental evidence) were extracted and mapped to the same list of subcellular localizations¹¹².

Gene Ontology Analysis—The R package "topGO" was used to perform a gene ontology analysis on the set of proteins containing any cysteine with R > 1.5 for a single anticancer drug. Molecular function, cellular compartment, or biological process terms were derived from Bioconductor's org.Hs.eg.db database, and enrichments were computed using the classic method and Fisher's exact test¹¹³.

Annotations—Ubiquitination sites from PhosphoSitePlus¹¹⁴ were matched to nearby sites identified by mass spectrometry. Essentiality scores were derived from DepMap^{115,116}. Ribosomal proteins were annotated from the Ribosomal Protein Gene Database. Domain annotations are from UniProt. Functional annotations were taken from the Gene Ontology Annotation database¹¹⁷. BiomaRt¹¹⁸ was used to map proteins between UniProt, ensembl, entrez, and PDB IDs and gene names.

Genome-wide CRISPRi screen—The CRISPRi screen in K562 cells was conducted as previously described⁴⁸. Briefly, K562 cells stably expressing dCas9-KRAB were infected with a genome-wide CRISPRi library cloned into the pU6-BFP vector, ensuring a multiplicity of infection ~0.3 following 3 days puromycin selection. Cells were allowed to recover for 1 day and an initial input was taken with the number of infected cells corresponding to 1000X the size of the library ($\sim 200 \times 10^6$ cells). The screen was initiated by treating 240×10⁶ with DMSO or 1 µM Auranofin, maintaining this cell number and compound for 10 population doublings. At the end of the screen, cells were harvested, and genomic DNA was extracted using Macherey Nagel Blood XL kit (Macherey-Nagel). Libraries were generated from each sample by PCR based amplification of the sgRNA amplicon from 200 µg of genomic DNA using custom PCR primers harboring an index primer and illumina 5' and 3' adaptors. Libraries were pooled and analyzed on a NextSeq500 (Illumina) use single end 75bp reads. sgRNAs were mapped and quantified using the Screen Processing pipeline⁴⁸. The enrichment for each sgRNA was calculated by taking the log₂ ratio of (sgRNA counts, treatment/sgRNA counts input). The CRISPR score for each gene was calculated by subtracting the enrichment score for ARU treated samples from the enrichment score for DMSO treated samples.

Cluster analysis—To identify functionally related genetic clusters from CRISPR-Cas9 based essentiality screens, we utilized the DEPMAP resource (https://depmap.org/portal/ download/; access: 03/23/2020). The Achilles_gene_effect.csv (Version: DepMap Public 20Q1) matrix summarizes essentiality scores obtained from genome-wide loss-of-function screens from a set of 18,333 genes among 741 different cell lines. Gene-gene correlations across cell lines were computed in R using the cor() function (parameters: method "pearson"; use = "complete.obs") generating a matrix with 18,333 × 18,333 entries representing correlations of each gene pair. We extracted correlations with values > 0.25 and listed them together with its corresponding gene pair. These list entries were considered as edges of an undirected graph and were imported as network in Cytoscape (Version

3.6.0). The gene network was further dissected using the random walk Markov Clustering algorithm within the Cytoscape plugin clusterMaker (parameters: "granularity" = 1.8; "number of iterations" = 16; "input" = edgelist with gene-gene-correlation as weight). This operation created gene groups with 1 gene up to 695 genes with each gene only occurring in 1 group (= cluster_ID). We proceeded with clusters that contained 3 or more genes resulting in 1028 distinct groups containing a total of 10474 genes. Genes were assigned to list entries in R by their cluster_ID.

Competition scores for cysteines of individual peptides from chemical proteomics experiments were transformed in a binary matrix (1 for competition values 1.5 = "hit" and 0 for < 1.5 = "no hit") in R. All peptide hits for each condition were collapsed per protein/ gene. Hits were summed up for all genes of a cluster (cluster score) and normalized by a cluster size factor ((size cluster of interest/size largest cluster)^2.03). Hits on the cluster level were summarized by summing up hits for each gene within the cluster for each condition.

Clusters were plotted as circles in Cytoscape (= nodes with no edges) and scaled by cluster scores. Proteomics hits of genes in the cluster were depicted as ratios in pie chart superimposed on the cluster node.

Target Prioritization analysis—For identifying top scoring gene/protein candidates from chemical proteomics and CRISPRi screens, we combined both data sets. All data processing steps were performed in R. The chemical proteomics data matrix was imported and NA containing rows were removed. We collapsed chemical proteomics competition values per protein/gene name by only keeping the top scoring peptide and ignoring others.

CRISPR scores from loss-of-function screens were imported in R and NA containing cells were removed. The chemical proteomics and CRISPR matrices were merged using merge() in R by the gene/protein name as identifier. We calculated priority scores by multiplying CRISPR scores with proteomics competition values for each gene/protein.

To identify functionally related protein groups, we utilized the STRING resource (https:// string-db.org/; access 01/08/2022). We considered genes/proteins as hits if they scored with a CRISPR value of < -0.75 or > +0.75 and with a proteomics competition value of >1.5. For these genes/proteins we extracted the 10 top scoring interactors from the STRING network and considered these 11 genes/proteins as a functional group. For each group we averaged priority scores and corrected them with a penalty score of 1% (multiplication with 0.99^(number of missing genes in the group)) per missing gene in the priority score matrix. These optimized priority scores were plotted as nodes in Cytoscape (= nodes with no edges) and scaled by priority scores (color, node size, label size).

CRISPRi-mediated knockdown in K562 cells—sgRNAs targeting the promoters of CHK1 and SSBP1 were cloned into pU6-BFP (Addgene: #60955). sgRNA-encoding plasmids were co-transfected with pspAX2 envelope and CMV VSV-G packaging plasmids into 1.8×10⁶ HEK293T cells using the Xtremegene 9 transfection reagent (Sigma-Aldrich). Virus-containing supernatants were collected 48 hrs after transfection and used to infect K562- dCas9-KRAB cells in the presence of 10 mg/ml polybrene (Santa Cruz). Twenty-four

hours post-infection, fresh media was added to the infected cells which were allowed to recover for an additional 24 hrs. Puromycin was then added to cells, which were analyzed after 3 days after selection was added.

Cell Proliferation assays—2.5 × 10³ K562 cells were seeded in 96-well plates per well in 100 µl medium. K562 cells were subsequently treated with the indicated compounds in 100 µl medium, whereas adherent cells were treated 24 hrs after seeding. Ninety-six hrs after compound treatment, 50 µl Cell Titer GloTM (Promega) was added to each well sample and the luminescence was monitored on a SpectraMax M5 plate reader (Molecular Devices). For cell counting using trypan blue, 0.5 ml of a cell suspension (dilute cells in complete medium without serum to an approximate concentration of 1 × 10⁵ to 2 × 10⁵ cells per ml) was mixed with 0.1 ml of 0.4% trypan blue staining and counted using a hemocytometer. To calculate half maximal inhibitory concentrations (IC₅₀) cells were cultured at 2.5 × 10³ cells per well in 100 µL RPMI media and compounds were added the following day. Cell viability was assessed on day four of treatment by measuring relative ATP concentrations. IC₅₀ values were calculated using log(inhibitor) vs % normalized response formula in Prism v7.0 (GraphPad).

Generation of Cisplatin resistance cell lines—The IC_{50} and IC_{10} values for cisplatin in OVCAR8, PEO1 and OVISE were determined as above following four days treatment. Cell lines were treated with cisplatin at a starting concentration of IC_{10} . Once confluent, the cell lines were maintained for at least 4 generations in drug or vehicle control. After that, the concentration of cisplatin was gradually increased to IC_{50} for each cell line. Each cell line was maintained at the IC_{50} concentration for at least 4 passages. Resistant cell lines were maintained in cisplatin containing media for a totality of 3 months.

Immunohistochemical (IHC) staining-Immunohistochemistry for SSBP1 was conducted using a two-step protocol (GTVisionTMIII). Briefly, tumor microarray (TMA) sections were washed with phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) after rehydration and then the antigens were retrieved by boiling the TMA slides in citrate buffer (pH 6.2) at 100°C for 10 min. The TMAs were permeabilized with 0.1% Triton-X-100 for 10 min. and then treated with 3% hydrogen peroxide for 10 min. to block endogenous peroxidase activity. The TMAs were blocked with 6% BSA for 1 hr at room temperature (RT) and incubated in a humid chamber with SSBP1 primary antibody (1:50) for 1 hr. Following PBS washes, all the TMAs were incubated with secondary antibody (HRP-labeled anti-rabbit antibody 1:50) at RT for 1hr. The sections were counterstained with hematoxylin and mounted after clearing with xylene. For hematoxylin and eosin staining, TMA sections were washed with phosphate-buffered saline after rehydration and stained for 1min in hematoxylin solution. The slides were then washed in running tap water. After washing, the slides were dipped in Eosin solution for 1 min and rinsed with absolute alcohol. The TMA slides were dipped two times in Xylene solution for 1 min. each and mounted with the DPX mount (Sigma). SSBP1 immunohistochemistry were semi-quantitatively scored via light microscopy by a boardcertified pathologist (Z.O.) using a 3-point index scoring system for relative expression intensity. When a specimen had heterogenous scoring the higher score was reported.

TCGA analysis—RNA-seq count data was downloaded from TCGA and parsed for patients that were treated with platinum-based chemotherapies (cisplatin or carboplatin). Patients were censored if clinical notes indicated confounding treatment or inconclusive progression. For each patient normalized SSBP1 RNA-counts were extracted, and patients were separated into an SSBP1-high and SSBP1-low expression cohort. A Kaplan-Meyer curve was generated in PRISM (version 7.0) comparing time to tumor recurrence as determined for each patient cohort. In the first line therapy, tumor recurrence following platinum chemotherapy is calculated as the difference between the platinum chemotherapy start date and date of relapse; time to progression, recurrence, or death; or time to last follow-up. The difference between the start date of a numbered chemotherapy regimen and the start date of next chemotherapy regimen is defined as the tumor recurrence following platinum chemotherapy for second line or third line therapy^{135–136}.

QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Statistical analyses were performed with Excel (Microsoft) and Prism (GraphPad). Error bars represent mean \pm SEM. Statistical comparisons were analyzed using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test or one-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc correction with p values indicated in figure legends and source data. Data were considered statistically different at P < 0.05. P < 0.05 is indicated with single asterisks, P < 0.001 with double asterisks, and P < 0.0001 with triple asterisks.

Supplementary Material

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Highlights

- 1. Integrated chemical proteomic and CRISPRi screens identify ROS-target proteins
- 2. Nuclear H_2O_2 oxidizes C408 in CHK1's autoinhibitory domain leading to its activation
- **3.** CHK1 regulates mitochondrial translation by inhibiting mtDNA binding protein SSBP1
- 4. SSBP1 promotes resistance to platinum-based agents and nuclear H_2O_2 in ovarian cancers



Figure 1: Defining cysteine targets of anticancer drugs with chemical proteomics.

(A) Anticancer drugs regulate steady-state levels of ROS and antioxidant response pathways (see also Figure S1B). (B) Barcode plot of modified cysteines following treatment with the indicated agents and corresponding cysteine reactivity score (CRS) (see also methods, Table S2A). (C) UMAP representation of commonly detected cysteines regulated by anticancer drugs reveals they are localized to four distinct clusters which are color-coded based on available structures. Insets, enrichments plots of residues within a 10Å radial-sphere of reactive cysteines (see methods, Tables S2C). (D) UMAP of cysteine reactivity changes following treatment with indicated agents. (E) Connectivity diagram for shared cysteine targets of anticancer agents. (F) Ribosomal cysteines regulated by anticancer drugs. Adapted from PDB ID: $5LKS^{97}$. (G) Anticancer treatments blocks protein synthesis. Immunoblot analysis of puromycin incorporation into nascent proteins following treatment with the indicated compounds. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM.



Figure 2: Functional genomic characterization of AUR-sensitizing and resistance pathways. (A) Comparison of each agent's overlap with H_2O_2 cysteine reactivity and fold-change in IC₅₀ following NAC treatment (see also Figure S1C, Table S2A–B). (B) Genome-wide CRISPRi screen in K562 cells identifies genes that mediate sensitivity and resistance to AUR (see also Table S4). (C-D) Summary of top-scoring genes and corresponding pathways (C) and their cellular location (D) that promote resistance or sensitivity to AUR treatment. (E-F) Prioritization scheme for selecting targets (E) based on comparing their CRISPRi score and cysteine reactivity following AUR and H_2O_2 treatments (F) (see also methods, Tables S2–5).



Figure 3: CHK1 functions as a sensor of nuclear H₂O₂ levels.

(A) C408 is highly conserved. (B) AUR activates CHK1 in a NAC-dependent manner. K562 cells were treated with AUR in the presence of NAC or vehicle control CHK1 activity was determined by immunoblotting for the indicated proteins. (C) AUR increases the steady-state levels of nuclear H_2O_2 . Ratiometric images of HyPer7 or roGFP2-ORP1 H_2O_2 reporters localized to the nucleus following indicated treatments (see also Figures S5A–C). (D) H_2O_2 treatment regulates CHK1•C408 oxidation (see also Table S2B). (E) Oxidation of CHK1•C408 results in sulfinic acid formation (see methods). (F) Nuclear H_2O_2 activates CHK1. K562 cells stably expressing D-amino acid oxidase (DAAO) localized to the nucleus were treated with either L-Ala or D-Ala or NAC and CHK1 kinase activity was determined as described in (B). (G) Schematic depicting the localization of DAAO-CHK1 to the mitochondrial outer membrane. (H) H_2O_2 is sufficient to activate CHK1. Top, Immunofluorescence analysis of mitochondrial localization of DAAO-CHK1-OMP25.

Bottom, DAAO-CHK1-OMP25 kinase activity was as described in (F). (I) H_2O_2 directly activates CHK1. CHK1 in vitro kinase assay following treatment with increasing amounts of H_2O_2 . (J) H_2O_2 reduces the interaction between endogenous CHK1 and the CHK1 kinase domain. (K) Right, Crystal structure of C-terminal Kinase Associate 1 (KA1) domain of CHK1 highlighting the location of C408 in red, adapted from PDB ID: $5WI2^{98}$. Left, Modeling of CHK1•C408 interactions as a sulfinic acid or when mutated to Asp. (L) CHK1•C408D has elevated kinase activity. (M) CHK1•C408D-mutation in KA1 domain blocks interaction with CHK1 kinase domain. Scale Bar=10 µm. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM. **p < 0.001, ***p< 0.0001. Student's *t*-test (two-tailed, unpaired) were used to determine statistical significance.

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Figure 4: CHK1 regulates nuclear H₂O₂ levels.

(A) CHK1 depletion increases steady-state nuclear H_2O_2 levels in a NAC-dependent manner. Nuclear H_2O_2 levels were measured in K562 co-expressing the indicated sgRNAs and nuclear HyPer7. (B-C) Re-introduction of CHK1 restores nuclear H_2O_2 levels. H_2O_2 levels were determined by nuclear HyPer7 (B) and levels of the indicated proteins by immunoblot (C) following reintroduction of CHK1 into K562 cells depleted of CHK1. (D-E) CHK1 inhibition increases nuclear H_2O_2 in an antioxidant-dependent manner as measured by HyPer7 (D) and roGFP2-ORP1 (E). (F) NAC treatment partially rescues CHK1i cytotoxicity. Relative proliferation was determined after 96 hrs by measuring cellular ATP concentrations. (G) NAC protects cells from CHK1i mediated DNA damage. Immunofluorescence analysis of H2AX•S139 staining (left) and quantification (right). (H) Nuclear H_2O_2 increases CHK1i cytotoxicity to block cell proliferation. K562 cells stably expressing nuclear localized DAAO were pretreated with L-Ala or D-Ala prior to treatment with CHK1i. Relative proliferation was determined as described in (F). Scale bar=10 µm. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM. ***P< 0.0001. Statistical significance was determined by Student's *t*-test (two-tailed, unpaired).



Figure 5: CHK1 phosphorylates SSBP1 blocking its mitochondrial localization to decrease nuclear $\rm H_2O_2$ levels

(A) Comparison of CRISPRi scores following AUR treatment with CHK1 phosphorylation sites characterized in Blasius et al.⁶⁷ identifies SSBP1•S67 as a potential CHK1 target mediating resistance to AUR. (B) SSBP1 is a direct target of CHK1 that is phosphorylated in a H_2O_2 -dependent manner in vitro (see methods). (C) CHK1•C408D has heightened levels of activity towards SSBP1. (D) SSBP1 regulates nuclear H_2O_2 levels downstream of CHK1. Left, immunoblot of SSBP1 levels in K562-dCas9-KRAB cells expressing the indicated sgRNAs. Right, Measurement of nuclear H_2O_2 with HyPer7 in K562 cells depleted of the indicated genes. (E) SSBP1 phosphorylation by CHK1 blocks its mitochondrial localization. Left, the localization of SSBP1-HA was determined by immunofluorescence analysis of K562 cells following the indicated treatments. Right, quantification of mitochondrial colocalization of HA-SSBP1. (F) SSBP1•S67D phosphorimetic mutant does not localize to the mitochondria. (G) CHK1•C408D is sufficient to drive SSBP1 re-localization. (H-I)

SSBP1•S67D phosphomimetic mutant decreases nuclear H_2O_2 following CHK1 inhibition. Immunoblot analysis of the indicated proteins reintroduced into SSBP1-depleted cells (H) and corresponding levels of H_2O_2 levels measured with nuclear HyPer7 (I). Scale Bar=10 μ m. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM. **p < 0.001, ***p< 0.0001. Statistical significance was determined by Student's *F*test (two-tailed, unpaired).

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Figure 6: CHK1-SSBP1 regulates mitochondrial translation to control mitochondrial/nuclear $\rm H_2O_2$ levels.

(A) CHK1 regulates mitochondrial H₂O₂ levels in a SSBP1-dependent manner. H₂O₂ levels were determined with HyPer7 localized to the mitochondrial membrane in K562 cells depleted of the indicated genes. (B) Mitochondrial H₂O₂ levels regulate nuclear H₂O₂ levels. Nuclear H₂O₂ was measured with HyPer7 in K562 cells treated with mitoTEMPO and CHK1i. (C) Mitochondrial H₂O₂ increases CHK1i cytotoxicity. Proliferation was determined by measuring relative ATP levels. (D) Suppression of complex I (S1QEL1.1) but not complex III (S3QEL-2) superoxide partially reverts CHK1i-mediated nuclear H₂O₂.
(E) CRISPRi scores of the indicated genes involved in mitochondrial translation. (F) CHK1 regulates mitochondrial translated proteins in a SSBP1-dependent manner. Immunoblot analysis of the indicated proteins in cells depleted of SSBP1 and treated with CHK1i. (G) CHK1-regulation of mitochondrial translation depends on SSPB1 localization. Immunoblot analysis of the indicated mitochondrial proteins as described in (F) in cells expressing

SSBP1 phosphorylation mutants in K562 cells depleted of SSBP1. (H) Inhibition of CHK1 increases mitochondrial translation. Expression of MT-CO2 was determined by immunoblot and normalized to β -actin following CHK1i treatment (see also methods, Figure S6H). (I) Doxycycline (DOXY) decreases mitochondrially translated proteins. (J) DOXY treatment reduces CHK1i-mediated nuclear H₂O₂ levels. Scale Bar=10 µm. Data are represented as mean ± SEM. ***p< 0.0001. Statistical significance was determined by Student's *t*-test (two-tailed, unpaired).



Figure 7: SSBP1 regulates nuclear $\rm H_2O_2$ levels and mediates cisplatin resistance in ovarian cancer cells.

(A) SSBP1 depletion decreases nuclear H₂O₂ levels following treatment with anticancer agents in K562 cells. (B) Comparison of fold-change in nuclear H₂O₂ levels with proliferation rescue in K562 cells depleted of SSBP1 following treatment with the indicated compounds. (C) Lower SSBP1 levels correlate with shorter platinum free intervals (PFI) in high-grade serous ovarian cancer (HGSOC) tumors. (D) SSPB1 levels are decreased in platinum-refractory HGSOC tumors. (E) Knockdown of SSBP1 decreases cisplatin regulated nuclear H₂O₂ levels in ovarian cancer cell lines. (F) Heatmap depicting fold change in DDP IC₅₀ values in ovarian cancer cell lines expressing the indicated shRNAs targeting SSBP1. (G-H) DDP-resistant ovarian cancers have decreased SSBP1 expression. (G) DDP IC₅₀ values were measured in parental or DDP-resistant ovarian cancer cell lines. (I) Model. Nuclear H₂O₂ activates CHK1 leading to the phosphorylation and cytosolic retention of SSBP1. Cytosolic

SSBP1 cannot promote mitochondrial translation which generates H_2O_2 . Mitochondrial H_2O_2 is transmitted to the nucleus following a decrease in GSH:GSSH ratio by certain anticancer drugs. Data are represented as mean \pm SEM. * p < 0.05, ***p< 0.0001. Statistical significance was determined by one-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc correction.

Key resources table

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER	
Antibodies			
Total OXPHOS	Abcam	Cat#: ab110411; RRID:AB 2756818	
CHK1	Abcam	Cat#: ab40866; RRID:AB 726820	
MT-ND1	Elabscience	Cat#: E-AB-32173; RRID:AB 2881266	
МТ-СҮТВ	ProteinTech	Cat#: 55090-1-AP	
FLAG	Sigma	Cat#: F7425; RRID:AB_439687	
Anti-Puromycin	Sigma	Cat#: MABE343; RRID:AB 2566826	
AKT2	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 3063; RRID:AB 2225186	
CHK1-S296	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 2349; RRID:AB 2080323	
Anti-biotin, HRP-linked	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 7075; RRID:AB 10696897	
YH2AX	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 2577; RRID:AB 2118010	
FLAG	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 14793; RRID:AB 2572291	
LAMIN A/C	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 4777; RRID:AB 10545756	
НА	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 3724; RRID:AB 1549585	
ТОМ20	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 13929; RRID:AB 2631994	
p-ACTIN	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 4970; RRID:AB 2223172	
MT-ATP6	ProteinTech	Cat#: 55313-1-AP; RRID:AB 2881305	
SSBP1	ProteinTech	Cat#:12212-1-AP; RRID:AB 2195320	
DNA	Progen	Cat#: 61014; RRID:AB 2750935	
CHK1	Santa Cruz	Cat#: SC-8408; RRID:AB 627257	
HRP-labeled anti-mouse	Santa Cruz	Cat#:SC-2005; RRID:AB 631736	
HRP-labeled anti-rabbit	Santa Cruz	Cat#: SC-2030; RRID:AB 631747	
Anti-mouse IgG (H+L), F(ab')2 Fragment (Alexa Fluor® 594 Conjugate)	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 8890; RRID:AB 2714182	
Anti-rabbit IgG (H+L), F(ab')2 Fragment (Alexa Fluor(R) 647 Conjugate)	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 4414; RRID:AB 10693544	
Anti-rabbit IgG (H+L), F(ab')2 Fragment (Alexa Fluor(R) 488 Conjugate)	Cell Signaling Tech	Cat#: 4412; RRID:AB 1904025	
Bacterial and virus strains	-		
DH5a	Fisher Scientific	Cat#:18265017	
Chemicals, peptides, and recombinant proteins			
RPMI-160	Corning	Cat#: ICN1646454	
FBS	Corning	Cat#: 35-010-CV	
DMEM	Corning	Cat#: 10-013-CV	
L-Glutamine	Corning	Cat#: 25-005-CI	
Glutamax I	Invitrogen	Cat#: 35050061	
Penicillin-Streptomycin	Millipore	Cat#: P0781	
Blasticidin	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: 50712728	
Puromycin	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: P8833	
Streptavidin agarose resin	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: 20347	

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Sequencing grade modified trypsin	Promega	Cat#: V5111
2-Iodoacetamide	Fisher Scientific g	Cat#: ICN10035125
Iodoacetamide-desthiobiotin	Santa Cruz	Cat#: sc-300424
Nitroso-DTB	This Study	N/A
DMSO	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: MT- 25950CQC
Urea	VWR Intl	Cat#: 97063-798
CHAPS hydrate	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: C3023
DTT	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: BP1725
Micro bio-spin column	Bio-rad	Cat#: 7326204
Protease Inhibitor Cocktail	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: 5892791001
PhosSTOP™	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: 4906845001
Polybrene	Santa Cruz	Cat#: 134220
X-tremegene 9 transfection reagent	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: 6365787001
X-tremegene HP transfection reagent	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: 6366236001
Anti-FLAG M2 Affinity Gel	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#: A2220
Anti-HA Magnetic Beads	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: 88836
Cell Titer Glo [™] reagent	Promega	Cat#: G7570
Prolong Gold Antifade Mount	Life Technologies	Cat#: P36930
Formaldehyde	Sigma	Cat#: UN3334
Arsenic Trioxide	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: R0817000500
β-Lapachone	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 15021
Doxorubicin	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 15007
Elesclomol	Selleckchem	Cat#: \$1052
Cisplatin	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 13119
Bleomycin	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 13877
5-Fluorouracil	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 14416
Sulfasalazine	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 15025
Auranofin	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 15316
2-Methoxyestradiol	Cayman Chemical	Cat#: 13021
NOV-002	MedKoo	Cat#: 202030
Hydrogen peroxide solution	Sigma	Cat#: 216763
Doxycycline	Sigma	Cat#: D3447
MitoTEMPO	Sigma	Cat#: SML0737
N-acetyl-L-Cysteine	Sigma	Cat#: 20261
Carboxy-DCFDA (5-(and-6)-Carboxy-2',7'- Dichlorofluorescein Diacetate)	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: C369
MitoSOX [™] Red	Fisher Scientific	Cat#: M36008
L-ALA	TCI America	Cat#: A0179
D-ALA	TCI America	Cat#: A0177
L-Buthionine-sulfoximine	Sigma	Cat#: B2515

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Trolox	Cayman	Cat#: 10011659
Glutathione reduced ethyl ester	Sigma	Cat#: G1404
L -(+)-Ergothioneine	Sigma	Cat#: 497-30-3
S1QEL1.1	Sigma	Cat#: SML1948
S3QEL-2	Sigma	Cat#: SML1554
ATP, [Y-32P]	Perkin Elmer	Cat#: BLU002Z250UC
Critical commercial assays		
NADP/NADPH-Glo [™] Assay kit	Promega	Cat#: G9081
NAD/NADH-Glo [™] Assay kit	Promega	Cat#: G9071
GSH/GSSG-Glo [™] Assay	Promega	Cat#: V6611
Deposited data		
Proteomics data	This study	PRIDE: PXD041138
Experimental models: Cell lines		
K562	ATCC	CCL-243
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K562-dCas9-KRAB	Gilbert et al., 2014	N/A
OVCAR3	ATCC	HTB-161
Kuramochi	JCRB	JCRB0098
OVCAR8	ATCC	СМТ-929
PEO1	ECACC	10032308
CAOV3	ATCC	HTB-75
OVISE	JCRB	JCRB1043
OV90	ATCC	CRL-11732
OVCAR4	NCI/DTP	N/A
OAW28	ECACC	85101601
Recombinant DNA	•	•
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Plenti: Mito-Hyper7	This study	N/A
Plenti: roGFP2-Orp1-NLS	This study	N/A
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Plenti: FLAG-MITO-DAAO	This study	N/A
Plenti: FLAG-Mito-DAAO-CHK1	This study	N/A
Plenti: CHK1	This study	N/A
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pLJM1: FLAG-CHK1	This study	N/A
pLJM1: FLAG-CHK1 (C408D)	This study	N/A
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pRK5: FLAG-METAP2	This study	N/A

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pRK5: FLAG-CHK1(C408D)	This study	N/A
pRK5: FLAG-CHK1-Kinase domain	This study	N/A
pRK5: HA-CHK1-KA1	This study	N/A
pRK5: HA-CHK1-KA1 (C408D)	This study	N/A
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Lenti-CRISPRv2: sgSSBP1-2	This study	N/A
Lenti-CRISPRv2: sgCTRL	This study	N/A
Pu6-BFP: sgCONTROL	This study	N/A
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pU6-BFP: sgSSBP1-2	This study	N/A
pU6-BFP: sgCHK1–1	This study	N/A
pU6-BFP: sgCHK1–2	This study	N/A
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Software and algorithms		
Prism (v7.0)	GraphPad	https://www.graphpad.com/scientific- software/prism/
FlowJo (v10.0.7)	Treestar Inc.	https://www.flowjo.com/
ZEN 2.6	Zeiss	https://www.zeiss.com
Floview 3.1	Olympus	https://www.olympus-lifescience.com/
ImageJ	NIH	https://imagej.net/software/fiji/