Supplement: Ion trap mass spectrometry of unmodified, recombinant GSTP1a-1a.

For ion-trap mass spectrometry of unmodified, recombinant GSTP1a-1a, 200 pmol GSTP1a-1a (untreated with nitroalkene) was prepared as described in Experimental Procedures and resuspended in 50 µL of tryptic digest buffer (40 mM ammonium bicarbonate, 10% acetonitrile, 1mM CaCl₂). Sequence grade trypsin was added and samples incubated at 37°C overnight. The sample (1 μl) was applied to a precolumn (0.3 mm × 1.0 mm, 100 Å, PepMap C-18) for desalting and concentration at a flow rate of 35 µL min⁻¹ using mobile phase A (5% acetonitrile containing 0.1% formic acid). Peptides were eluted and separated on a nanoanalytical column (75 µm × 15 cm, 100 Å, PepMap C-18) at a flow rate of 200 nL min⁻¹ using a linear gradient from 5–40% mobile phase B (95% acetonitrile containing 0.08 % formic acid) over 40 min. The peptides were introduced into the mass spectrometer by nano-electrospray ionization and subjected to MS/MS analysis in a Bruker Esquire HCT ion trap mass spectrometer. MS survey data from m/z 375 to 1500 were acquired. The MS/MS data were searched against human sequences in the MSDB protein sequence database (Imperial College School of Medicine, London) using MASCOT (Matrix Science, London, UK). The MS/MS data were matched to the human GSTP1a (GenBank Accession Number CAA00533) sequence with high statistical significance (MOWSE score 808). The sequence coverage was 70%.

Supplemental Figure. Recombinant GSTP1a consists of a mixture of peptides with and without N-terminal methionine. MS/MS analysis of tryptic digestions of GSTP1a-1a showed that the recombinant protein contained a mixture of peptides that retained the N-terminal methionine and peptides from which the N-terminal methionine had been removed. The peptides were observed in the +2 charge state in both cases. Panel A) representative MS/MS spectrum of

the N-terminal peptide without the N-terminal methionine (experimental mass = 1336.74; calculated mass = 1336.72); Panel B) representative MS/MS spectrum of the N-terminal tryptic peptide with the methionine retained (experimental mass = 1467.73; calculated mass = 1467.76). The amino acid sequence of each peptide is shown above each spectrum using the one-letter abbreviations. The MS/MS fragment ions are indicated using standard nomenclature for the peptide ions from the C-terminus (y-series ions) and for the peptide ions from the N-terminus (b-series ions) (1). Coverage was almost complete in both series for both peptide forms.

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