Extended Discussion

Mass Spectrometry Meta-Analysis

Large-scale untargeted mass spectrometry analyses are often confounded by relatively low reproducibility of peptide identifications between experiments (1). The large number of phosphopeptides present, the stochastic nature of peptide sampling through data-dependent analyses, and variances in peptide ionization are the main contributors to this phenomenon. To investigate reproducibility of proteomic identifications in wild-type tissue, protein and phosphoisoforms (i.e., peptide(s) with a specific phosphorylation pattern) were binned according to the number of experiments in which they were identified (Figure S3A). Proteins were measured in an average of 4-5 ($\mu = 4.5$) experiments, while phosphoisoforms were only measured in an average of 2-3 experiments ($\mu = 2.5$). In addition to the reasons discussed above, lower reproducibility of phosphoisoform measurements is due to the generally low abundance of phosphorylation on target proteins and the necessity of assigning phosphoryl groups to a specific amino acid within a peptide. Enrichment of phosphopeptides enables identification of low-level species, but introduces variability since the overall pool of possible phosphopeptides may be extremely large, involving several hundred thousand in number, e.g., if each of the ca. 40,000 Medicago proteins is phosphorylated at several sites. Phosphopeptide quantification requires the assignment of the phosphoryl group to a specific amino acid residue within a peptide (i.e., localization). Simply identifying phosphopeptides does not ensure localization of phosphosites, as localization is dependent on MS/MS spectral quality. In quantitative studies, both identification and localization of phosphopeptides are required, increasing the challenges of reproducible protein phosphorylation measurements.

Due to multiplexing, it is difficult to directly correlate the number of experiments with the number of biological replicates (i.e., *N*). To determine the distribution of *N* on our measurements, and ultimately our ability to determine significance, the number of wild-type proteins or phosphoisoforms for each *N* was plotted (Figure S3B). Protein measurements are more reproducible and will have high statistical power, due to a large average N ($\mu = 7$). An average phosphoisoform has an *N* between 3 and 4 ($\mu = 3.5$), offering modest statistical power, but representing more replicates than similar studies of this scale. Recently, we have demonstrated that a large *N* (12) is sufficient to significantly measure subtle changes using isobaric labels (2). As our average *N* is much lower, we ensure changes are biologically relevant by significance testing (Student's t-test) and imposing a fold cutoff of 1.35.

To determine the distribution of ratios in all WT experiments we plotted the count of localized phosphoisoforms with a certain \log_2 ratio of +NF/-NF (Figure S4). These distributions clearly show the compression of the dynamic range of changes due to both the asynchronous nature of our samples, as well as the fact the cells that are changing will be a small population within the whole plant extract. This compression of quantitative data was consistent through all experiments and was a contributing factor in setting the fold cutoff to 1.35.

In addition to biological replicates, we explored cellular fractionation to obtain deep proteomic coverage. Of the 11 quantitative experiments, proteins were isolated from whole cell lysate, isolated microsomes, and the upper and lower phases of a two phase membrane separation (plasma membrane is enriched in the upper phase). To investigate the benefit of analyzing multiple cellular compartments we divided both protein and phosphoisoform identifications into five classes: whole cell (species which were in a combination of compartments, including the whole cell), microsome only, upper phase only, lower phase only, and not in whole cell (species which were in a combination of compartments, not including the whole cell). For protein analysis, 5.3% of proteins were not detected in the whole cell fraction, suggesting a benefit from cellular fractionation. A greater number of phosphoisoforms, 9%, were not identified in whole cell fractions, suggesting added value in cellular fractionation for phosphopeptide detection. Phophorylation measurements are made at the peptide level, whereas protein measurements are made based on a collection of peptides. Thus, a unique peptide identified in a membrane fraction may be grouped with an existing protein, but a unique phosphopeptide identified in a membrane fraction constitutes a new measurement. Here, cellular fractionation increases identification of both proteins and phosphoproteins, but clearly phosphorylation measurements benefited more.

Phosphoproteomic comparison to Grimsrud et al. (2010)

We previously published a large-scale analysis of phosphoproteins in the roots of Medicago, identifying 3,404 unique phosphosites on 829 proteins. To compare the peptides identified here to those found in Grimsrud *et al* (3). we compiled all of the localized phosphopeptides from both studies and compared them based solely on their backbone amino acid sequence (Figure S5). We filtered in this way to negate any differences in localization, due to the evolution of our localization software since the original publication. This analysis reveals 539 phosphopeptides are overlapping between the two studies, leaving 1,827 unique phosphopeptides that were identified in Grimsrud *et al.* (3), but not in the current study. The large number of phosphopeptides identified only in Grimsrud *et al.* (3) can be explained by the differences in sample preparation and data acquisition. The original work employed multiple enzymes in addition to trypsin (e.g., LysC, AspN, GluC, etc.) to create a wider array of phosphopeptides that would not be present in a sample only digested by trypsin. In addition, the original description of the Medicago proteome used extensive ETD sequencing, while the current

paper consisted predominantly of HCD spectra. Together, these factors explain the discrepancy identified by the Venn diagram in Figure S5.

Supplemental Figures

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