Comparative proteomics enables identification of non-annotated cold shock proteins in *E. coli*

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Figure S1. Analysis of control proteins for quantitative proteogenomics in *E. coli***.** For each ERLIC fraction in which a non-annotated peptide of interest was identified, a control ribosomal protein that should not exhibit cold-shock regulation was analyzed with the same semi-quantitative methodology. For YnfQ YmcF, and YpaA, the controls were two peptides from RpmF; for YnaI and YhiY, controls were two peptides from RpsR. (A) Extracted ion chromatograms (EICs) from MS₁ spectra corresponding to (B) MS/MS spectra of tryptic peptides from control ribosomal proteins. The EIC intensity at the same retention time for a 1-Da window around the parent ion mass was compared for the control (red) vs. cold shock (blue) samples. Each matched EIC pair is presented on the same y-axis scale. Because the analysis is semi-quantitative, substantial intensity in both samples was taken to indicate similar expression. MS/MS spectra (right) presented correspond to the experimental EICs shown (left). Y- and b-ions are shown in red and indicated on the matched peptide scores above each spectrum. m/z, mass to charge ratio. As an additional control, we confirmed that our method accurately recapitulated expected cold-shock upregulation of the major cold shock protein CspA. (C) EICs are shown for the corresponding tryptic fragment MS/MS spectrum shown in (D

Table S1. Peptide-spectral match metrics. All sequenced MS/MS spectra that

were matched to peptides derived from the non-annotated and predicted proteins YmcF, YnfQ, YnaL, YhiY and YpaA in our shotgun profiling experiments are reported in this table alongside the figure number in which they appear. MASCOT ions scores, expect values, precursor charge state, precursor mass error (Da) are provided, along with the condition in which they were detected and sequenced (each referenced worksheet is explained in the supplementary worksheets legend).

Figure S2. Mass spectrometric evidence for the predicted protein YpaA. (A) Extracted ion chromatograms (EICs) from MS_1 spectra corresponding to (B) MS/MS spectra of non-annotated tryptic peptide identified in our shotgun profiling experiments.

Figure S3. MS/MS spectra of additional tryptic peptides detected from (A) YmcF and (B) YnfQ supporting protein identifications. "Ox" indicates methionine oxidation.

Figure S4. Validation of knock-in strains via integration check PCR (icPCR). (A) Schematic of gene loci and icPCR primer annealing sites. For each open reading frame (ORF), primers are designed to anneal to the 5' end of the coding sequence, as well as the genomic DNA downstream. Primers specific to the knock-in construct (selection marker) are also designed. (B) icPCR results showing specific products at the expected sizes (asterisks) in the SPA-tagged strains. Non-specific bands consistently appear in the untagged MG1655 strain in the CD and BC lanes. Correct integration was confirmed by Sanger sequencing of PCR products.

Table S2. Primer sequences utilized for genomic knock-ins and integration check PCR (Fig. S4).

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Figure S5. Nucleotide sequences upstream of and including (A) *ymcF* **and (B)** *ynfQ.* Sequences and numbering are provided for the nucleotide sequence beginning immediately 3' to the stop codon of *cspG* and *cspI,* respectively. Tryptic fragments of detected peptides are encoded by the sequences highlighted in blue and in-frame stop codons are highlighted in red. All start codon candidates mutated to TAG in our experiments are highlighted in green. The correct start codons implicated in our results are A₈₈TT and A_{21} TT, respectively.

Figure S6. Expanded stop codon mutagenesis scanning of candidate near-cognate YmcF start codons. As in Fig. 5, candidate near-cognate *ymcF* start codons were mutated to stop codons in the cspG(ds) ymcF plasmid. Again, as a negative control, a stop codon was inserted before the His₆ tag in the *cspG(ds) ymcF* plasmid. Two downstream codons, G(156)TG and T(174)TG, were mutated to stop codons to confirm the reading frame. Finally, the codon immediately 3' to the putative ATT start codon, A91CT, was mutated to a stop codon in order to confirm that YmcF protein translation remains "off". Nucleotide numbering starts immediately after the stop codon of *cspG* and sequences are provided in Supporting Fig. 5. To observe expression, the expression constructs were introduced into BL21 cells, and IPTG induced cell lysates were subjected to SDS-PAGE followed by blotting against an antibody to the His₆ tag. (A, C) Western blotting against the His₆ tag in this expanded stop codon scanning library, and (B, D) Coomassie staining of lysates as a loading control.

Figure S7. YnfQ may also initiate at an ATT start codon. A *cspI ynfQ* expression plasmid was cloned with a His₆ tag in-frame at the C-terminus of the *ynfQ* coding sequence. In this construct, we mutated the probable *ynfQ* start codon A₂₂TT to a stop codon to a TAG stop codon, as well as preceding $A_{18}AT$ codon. Nucleotide numbering starts immediately after the stop codon of *cspG* and sequences are provided in Supporting Fig. 5. To observe expression, the expression constructs were introduced into BL21 cells, and IPTG induced cell lysates were subjected to SDS-PAGE followed by blotting against an antibody to the His $_6$ tag. (A) Western blotting with an antibody against the His $_6$ tag showed that expression of the major YnfQ protein product (carat) is decreased but still detectable in the $A_{18}AT > TAG$ mutant, but completely disappears in the $A_{22}TT > TAG$ mutant. (B) Total lysates were stained with Coomassie blue as a protein loading control.

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Figure S8. Structure prediction and structural homology for YmcF. (A) Secondary structure prediction using $DSSP¹$ and $PSIPRED²$ shows these proteins may have predominately beta sheet content. (B) Predicted structure for YmcF using I-TASSER³⁻⁵. This model chosen was one with the highest confidence score (C-score: -1.40). UCSF Chimera⁶ was used to visualize and generate the figure. The cysteine residues that we hypothesize participate in metal binding are shown in orange. (C) TM-align structural alignment program⁷ showed the generated model of YmcF had best structural alignment with a region of aspartate transcarbamolyase (PDB ID 1PG5). Cysteine residues of the enzyme involved in zinc coordination are highlighted in yellow.

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