N-terminal protein acetylation is frequent in *Deinococcus deserti* and exclusive of serine and threonine residues.

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Deinococcus deserti : an exciting bacterium from the Sahara!

- Bacterium from the Deinococcus-Thermus phylum
- Isolated from sand of the Sahara desert
- Resistant to Gamma radiation and desiccation





Our love story with *Deinococcus deserti*







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ask the question: is acetyla



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Strategy used to detect N-terminal acetylation in Deinococcus deserti:



Acetylation VS Methylation: a need for high accurancy measurements

- For a peptide with Mr 1000 the mass difference between an acetylated or a tri-methylated peptide is of 36ppm.
- Far above the limit of 5 ppm tolerated for the selection of an N-terminal acetylated parent ion.
- The high accuracy MS is able to differentiate unambiguously a tri-methylated peptide from an acetylated one.



Mono or di-charged peptides ?



O versus N terminal acetylation



Peptides displaying an acetylated serine/threonine residue located at N-terminus, may exist as two different isomeric forms through an acetyl shift between the nitrogen and the oxygen atoms depending on the sample pH, Under acidic conditions which is the case during the ionisation step of the peptide in the Orbitrap, the N-acetylated form is

favored. The recorded m/z may thus correspond to any of the two isobaric ions .

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Resolving peptides mixture

• Using an Off- gel separation of the peptides generated by tryptic digestion

- 1. Peptides are separated according to their pI.
- 2. N-terminal acetylated peptides are not particularly grouped together, but this approach will give us a broader view of the proteome.

- Using a cation exchange chromatography, SCX (Strong Cation eXchange).
 - 1. The peptides are separated according to their charges.
 - 2. N-terminal acetylated peptides come out primarily at the beginning of gradient.

Distribution of peptides by SCX fractionation - *Deinococcus deserti*



From 17461 unique peptide sequences (out of 293 779 validated redundant peptides), **1754 proteins** (**51% of the total proteome**) could be detected (with 2 peptides assigned and p = 0.001).

A stringent value for **p**, choosen after manual checking of many spectra.

Distribution of N-term. acetylated peptides among the first fractions



Deinococcus deserti N-terminal acetylone

Results :

1754 proteins could be detected, 51% of the theorical proteomer.
1337 proteins were identified in both methods, 111 specifically with the SCX approach, and 306 specifically with the Off gel method.



- The Off gel strategy allow us to have a better coverage in term of N-terminal peptide of the proteome.
- The SCX strategy allow us to get a better coverage of the Nterminal acetylome.

Deinococcus deserti N-terminal acetylone

Results :

- Peptides : 17461 (unique sequences) among 293 779 assigned spectra.
- 458 unique N-terminal sequences could be detected with a p< 0.001, leading to 440 proteins because one can observe some N-terminal peptides starting at position 1 and 2,

• Among these 458 unique N-terminal sequences, 230 (50%) are N-terminal acetylated.

Deinococcus deserti an N-terminal acetylated specific pattern.

Position 1 : 17 on 122 (14%) are acetylated on the starting Methionine, Position 2 : 213 on 336 (63.3%) are acetylated on this position.

- Removal of the initiator methionine occurs in three-fourths of these bacterian proteins and requires a small penultimate residue.
- Among the 213 acetylated peptide at position 2, 189 are Threonine, 23 Serine a single Alanine



Pattern for the first residues in the proteome of 12 sequenced representatives of Deinococcus-Thermus phylum.



Deinococcales

It's still a long way.....

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