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TITLE

Single cell proteomics on a multiplexed nanosystem platform

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Tells in a tumor usually respond differentially to either conventional chemotherapy ✓ or targeted drug treatment, which leads to failure of cancer therapy. Thus, biological information from single cells is highly demanded in consideration of heterogeneity of a tumor sample. However, function assay of single cells through proteome profiling in a large population has been extremely difficult due to low abundance of most of proteins in a single cell. Here we introduce a high-throughput, multiplexed nanosystem to profile single cell proteome, either secretome or cytoplasmic phosphoproteome (Figure 1). We show each chamber with 0.1 nano-liter encapsulates one cell, and count as low as 100 molecules per cell. 8-24 phosphoproteins or cytocykine/chemokine in single cells are quantified. T cell secretome has been profiled using the nanosystem platform, and subsets of a healthy donor sample are identified. We also demonstrate to use the nanosystem to investigate PI3K signaling pathway and identify signal flux in GBM cell lines. We find P-ERK pathway and P-Akt1 pathway coordinately promote proliferation of U87 EGFR VIII cells, which may explain high malignancy of GBM cancer with EGFR VIII expression.

Biography

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