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Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.

Software and code

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Data collection

Thermo Scientific Xcalibur 4.5.445.18 was used to collect the LC-MS/MS data; SCIEX OS 3.1.6.44 was used to collect the LC-MS data. Amersham™ ImageQuant™ 800 was used to collect the immunoblots. ImageView 4.11 was used to detect fluorescent images. ChampGel™ 6000 was used to detect protein gel electrophoresis images. CytExpert 2.5.0.77 was used to collect flow cytometry data.

Data analysis

pLink 2.3.11 was used for identification of cross-linking peptides. pFind 3.2.0 was used for identification of modified peptides. MaxQuant 2.0.3.0 was used for label-free quantitative proteomics analysis. PyMOL 2.5.0 was used to visualize of crystal structures of proteins. Graphpad Prism 9.0 and R 4.2.1 was used for statistical analysis. ChemDraw 19.0 was used to draw structures of molecular. FlowJo 10.8.1 was used for flow cytometry data analysis. ImageJ 2.14.0 was used to fluorescent images analysis.

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The MS proteomics data have been deposited to the ProteomeXchange Consortium (PXD ID: PXD 051167)

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N/A

Population characteristics

N/A

Recruitment

N/A

Ethics oversight

N/A

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Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

Sample size

Our manuscript is a mass spectrometry methodology study. For AP-MS experiments, samples were collected as one 10 cm dish cells for each group, at least three biological replicates were performed to calculate the statistical significance. For purified protein samples, E. coli samples at least 25mL, and HEK293T samples at least two 10 cm dishes.

Data exclusions

No data was excluded from our analysis.

Replication

The reproducibility of the developed mass spectrometry methodology was verified by repeated experiments. Both quantitative and comparative experiments were performed with at least twice biological replicates.

Randomization

For studies using cells, samples were randomly allocated into experimental or control groups.

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Blinding is not relevant to this study because animal or human subjects was not involved in this study.

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☐	☒ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☒	☐ Animals and other organisms
☒	☐ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern
☒	☐ Plants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☐	☒ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used

The following antibodies were used:

anti-6xHis tag, Mouse, Proteintech, cat. no. HRP-66005, 1:10000
 anti-FLAG tag, Mouse, HUABIO, cat. no. M1403-2, 1:10000
 anti-Strep-tag II, Mouse, Wuhan Dian Biotechnology, cat. no. 2098, 1:10000
 anti-Methacryllsine, Mouse, PTO BIO, cat. no. PTM-1501, 1:2000
 anti-Crotonyllysine, Mouse, PTO BIO, cat. no. PTM-502, 1:2000
 Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) HRP conjugate, Jackson ImmunoResearch, Code. 115-035-003, 1:10000
 anti- β -Tubulin, Mouse, Abmart, cat. no. M20005, 1:5000
 anti-V5 tag, Mouse, Thermo, cat. no. MA5-15253, 1:2000
 anti-Cyclophilin A, Rabbit, HUABIO, at. no. ET1703-33, 1:5000

Validation

These antibodies have been validated by suppliers, by relevant citations. The manufacturer's websites are provided as follows.

anti-His tag: <https://www.ptgcn.com/products/His-Tag-Antibody-66005-1-Ig.htm>
 anti-FLAG tag: <http://www.huabio.cn/products/DYKDDDDK-Tag-FLAG-antibody-M1403-2>
 anti-Strep-tag II: https://dia-an.com/index/product.html?pro_id=4470&aid=48,49#view_zjy
 anti-Methacryllsine: <http://www.ptm-biolab.com.cn/productDetail.html?id=7845>
 anti-Crotonyllysine: <http://www.ptm-biolab.com.cn/productDetail.html?id=4759>
 Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody: <https://www.jacksonimmuno.com/catalog/products/115-035-003>
 anti- β -Tubulin: <http://www.ab-mart.com.cn/page.aspx?node=59&id=983>
 anti-V5 tag: <https://www.thermofisher.cn/cn/zh/antibody/product/V5-Tag-Antibody-clone-E10-V4RR-Monoclonal/MA5-15253>
 anti-Cyclophilin A: <http://www.huabio.cn/products/Cyclophilin-A-antibody-ET1703-33>

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

HEK293T and HeLa cell was obtained from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC).

Authentication

Cells were authenticated by STR profiling by vendors. Cell lines were not additionally authenticated in our hands.

Mycoplasma contamination

All cells were tested negative for mycoplasma.

Commonly misidentified lines
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No commonly misidentified cell lines were used in this study.

Plants

Seed stocks

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Authentication

Describe any authentication procedures for each seed stock used or novel genotype generated. Describe any experiments used to assess the effect of a mutation and, where applicable, how potential secondary effects (e.g. second site T-DNA insertions, mosaicism, off-target gene editing) were examined.

Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

HEK293T cells were washed with PBS, for the analysis of unnatural amino acid insertion efficiency treated with or without MeaK for 36h; for ROS level analysis treated with or without H2DCFDA (DCFH-DA) probe for 20 min. Then the cells were washed with PBS and resuspended in 500 μ L PBS for further analysis.

Instrument

All flow cytometry acquisitions were realized using Beckman CytoFlex.

Software

Collection: CytExpert ver 2.5.0.77 (Beckman Coulter)
Analysis: FlowJo ver 10.8.1 (BD Biosciences)

Cell population abundance

According to the estimated size and particle size of the forward and lateral scattering cells, as well as the accompanying mCherry-positive or negative signals, the cell population is established for flow analysis. Positive cells (n=5000) were analyzed for FTIC-A for ROS level analysis. Positive cells (n=20000) were analyzed for unnatural amino acid insertion efficiency analysis.

Gating strategy

Cells were first gated based on their size (FSC-A) and granularity (SSC-A). Further gating is done in an FSC-H and FSC-A dot plot to eliminate doublets. Then target cell population for further analysis were gated by mCherry (ECD-A) and GFP (FTIC-A) fluorescent signal.

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