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- Koraljka Husnjak, Group leader
- Ubiquitin Signaling Group
- Selected publications:
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## Project summary

- High-throughput methods to determine DPP III interactome
  - Yeast-two-hybrid to determine direct interactors
    - DPP III as bait; normalized human cDNA library as prey



- SILAC-MS to determine DPP III protein complexes
  - Stable transfection of pcDNA4.HA-hDPP3, pcDNA4.HA-hDPP3-E451A, and control pcDNA4.HA in inducible eukaryotic cell lines – grown on heavy, medium, and light media, respectively
  - lysates merged in 1:1:1 ratio
  - HA affinity purification
  - eluates resolved on SDS-PAGE
  - MS analysis → MaxQuant software
    - FDR < 1 %
    - hits that are identified by the presence of at least two unique peptides
    - hits highly enriched (at least 2-fold) in DPP III interactome in comparison to empty plasmid control
    - datasets will be functionally analyzed by KEGG PATHWAY to determine the processes and pathways enriched in the obtained interactome

- Choose putative 5 interactors to do a more specific analysis selection based on:
  - Y2H hits that were also deterimed as top MS-based interactome components
  - Hits that have been found in multiple copies in the Y2H screen
  - Proteins which participate in processes that have already been linked with DPP III functions
  - Proteins which participate predominantly in processes/pathway for which we have expertise as laboratories

- Low-throughput analysis of the selected putative interactors:
  - His and GST pulldowns from bacterial lysates
  - Co-immunoprecipitation from eukaryotic cell lysates
  - Colocalization and FRET analysis of DPP III and putative interactor by confocal microscopy
  - ITC studies with purified proteins

