Supplementary material: SH-SY5Y Neuroblastoma Culture and Differentiation

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Description: SH-SY5Y (ATCC CRL-2266) human neuroblastoma cells were grown on 10cm tissue culture dishes under standard conditions (5% CO₂, atmospheric O₂, DMEM:F12 with 10% FBS) until cells were approximately 50% confluent, at which time they were differentiated to a catecholaminergic neuronal phenotype by culturing for 96 hr in 5% FBS with 12nM phorbol-12-myristate acetate (PMA). Cells were then treated with purified cholera toxin A (ChTX; from *Vibrio cholerae*) for 2 hours at 37°C to stimulate translocation of Gαs proteins and establish the utility of subcellular fractionation and quantitative proteomic approaches for detecting dynamic translocation events. After ChTX treatment, cells were rinsed briefly with warm PBS and then frozen by immersion in liquid N₂. Cells were stored at -80°C until fractionation and sample preparation for mass spectrometry.

SH-SY5Y Subcellular Fractionation and Processing for TMT Proteomics: Cell plates were thawed on ice and cells scraped into 1ml Tris-buffered saline (TBS; pH7.5) supplemented with 0.01% Tween-20 and phosphatase and protease inhibitor cocktails (50mM NaF, 1mM Na₃VO₄, 10μg/ml leupeptin and pepstatin, 1mM benzamidine). Crude cell suspensions were initially lysed by trituration of 7 passages through an 18-gauge needle. The resulting lysate was centrifuged at 4°C for 10min at 10,000xg. The supernatant was collected and saved as the cytosolic fraction and the pellet resuspended in 0.2ml of TBS with 0.1% sodium deoxycholate (SDC). This suspension was mixed by rotated at 4°C for 30min, then centrifuged at 16,000xg for 10min. The supernatant was saved as the plasma membrane and vesicular fraction. The final pellet, containing nuclei and insoluble cytoskeletal proteins, was resuspended in 0.2ml SDT buffer (0.1M Tris, pH8.0, 4% sodium dodecyl sulfate, 10mM TCEP) and boiled for 10min. Each fraction was denatured, alkylated, and digested according to the FASP
protocol (Wisniewski, Zougman et al. 2009). Eluted peptides were desalted on C18 reverse-phase spin columns, and lyophilized. Dried peptides were resuspended in 0.1M triethylammonium bicarbonate buffer (pH 8.0) and labeled with 10-plex Tandem Mass Tag (TMT) isobaric labels (Viner, Zhang et al. 2009) for multiplexed ratiometric quantitative proteomics. Peptides were labeled in sets corresponding to subcellular fraction, multiplexed within sets by ChTX dose (0, 0.3, 1.0, 3.0, 10.0 μg/ml). Multiplexed peptide samples were fractionated by UPLC on a C18 reverse-phase column at pH10. Samples were analyzed as described by Ting et al (Ting, Rad et al. 2011) Thermo Raw files were processed in Proteome Discoverer (ThermoFisher) for ratiometric protein quantitation. PSMS output files are available on our online proteomics data repository. We established the reproducibility of this method for subcellular fractionation of SH-SY5Y cells by the identification of ChTX dose-dependent translocation of Gas subunits from the membrane to the cytosolic fraction (supplemental graph 1), and effective ChTX dose was validated by detection of TMT-labeled ChTX peptides using species-specific peptide identification.

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