



Understanding the eukaryotic pathways modulated by mycobacterial phosphatases: *Mtb-PtpA* interaction and activity on human TFP α , a key enzyme of host-lipid metabolism.

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BACKGROUND

Human macrophage proteins identified as putative PtpA partners

Biological process*	Protein accession	Protein name	Mascot score ^a [Da]	No. of matched ions ^b	No. of peptide sequences ^c
Lipid metabolism, fatty acid beta-oxidation	human TFP_ECHA	Trifunctional enzyme subunit alpha, mitochondrial	2422 82947	63	23
Sulfide oxidation, using sulfide	SQRD_HUMAN	Sulfide:quinone oxidoreductase, mitochondrial	705 49929	28	10
ATP synthase, mitochondrial	ATPA_HUMAN	ATP synthase subunit α , mitochondrial	531 59714	16	7
Glycolysis	K6PP_HUMAN	δ -phosphofructokinase, platelet type	922 85542	47	15

* Only the main biological processes with credible cutoff statement are shown, from UniProt (<http://www.uniprot.org>) database released on January 2014^a.

^b The value of score, number of matched ions and peptide sequences is the best value obtained.

^c Margenat, M. et al. Sci Rep 5, 8819 (2015)

human Trifunctional protein: hTFP_{ECHA/ECHAB}

Fatty acid β -oxidation is the principal energy-yielding process in organisms ranging from bacteria to humans

PtpA acts on numerous eukaryotic proteins regulating different cell signaling pathways

Modulation of host lipid metabolism?

hTFP_{ECHA/ECHAB}

Mitochondrial Trifunctional enzyme

β -oxidation-Lipid metabolism

(Monger, M. et al. Sci Rep 5, 8819 (2015))

Inhibition of Innate immunity

MAPK p38/Jnk and NF- κ B

TNF α , IL1 β , IL12 and NF- κ B

(Wong et al. 2015, 2017)

Inhibition of phagosome maturation

VPS33B

(and recruitment of H4-VATPase)

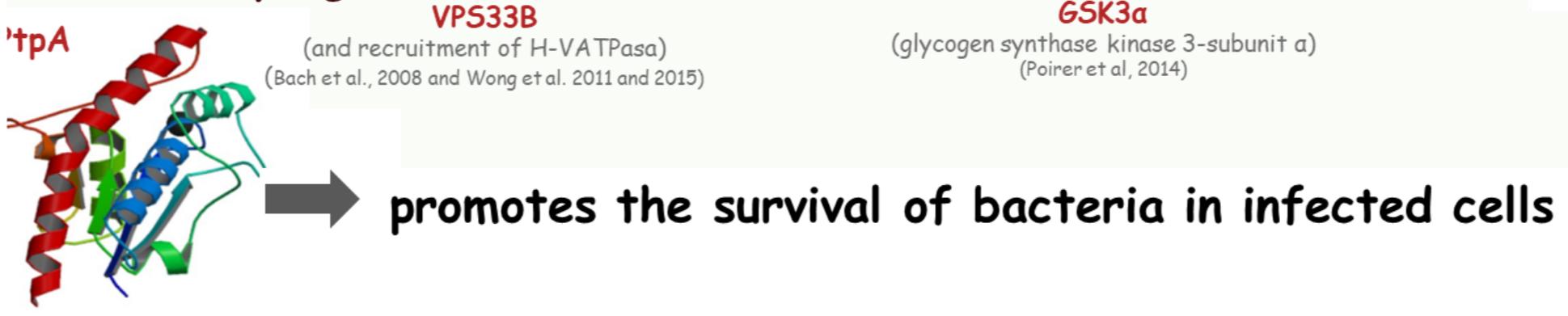
(Bech et al. 2008 and Wong et al. 2011 and 2015)

Inhibition of apoptotic pathway

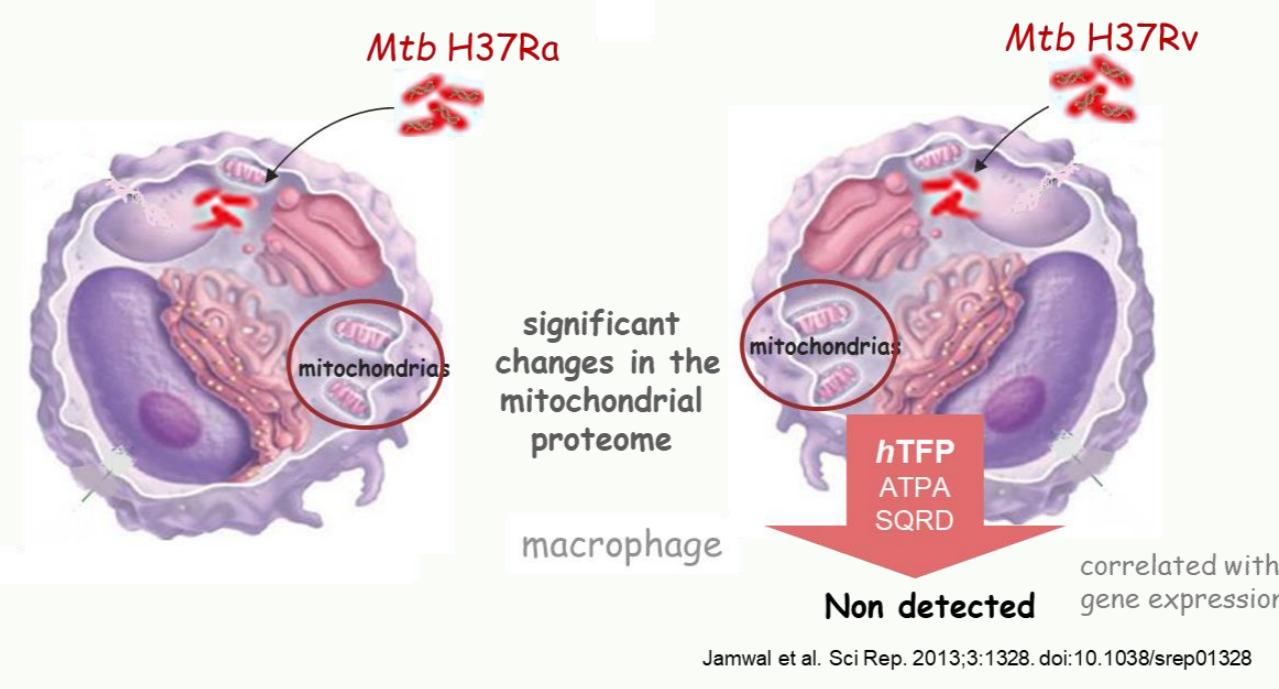
6K3a

(glycogen synthase kinase 3-subunit α)

(Perner et al. 2014)



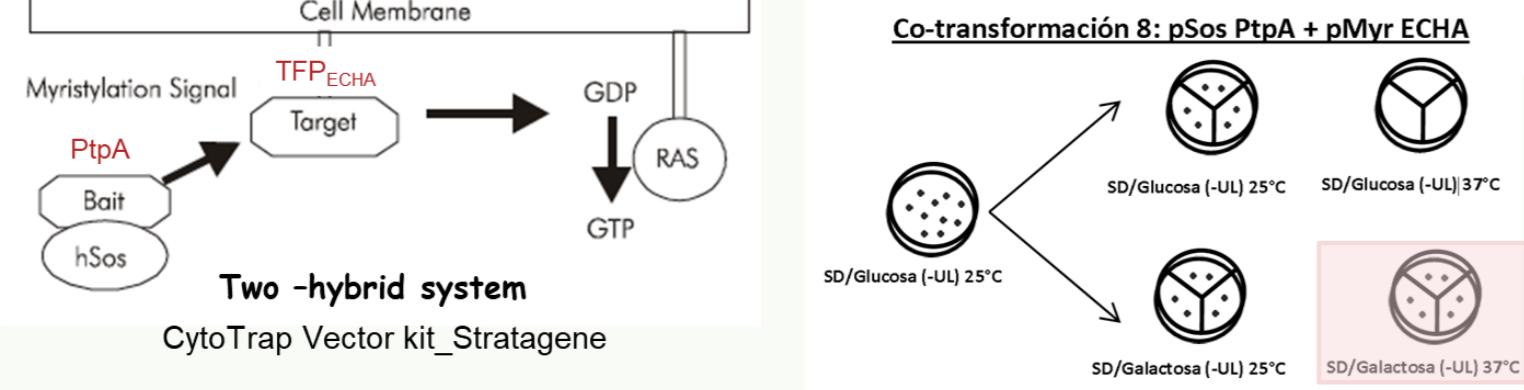
What about hTFP during *Mtb* infection?



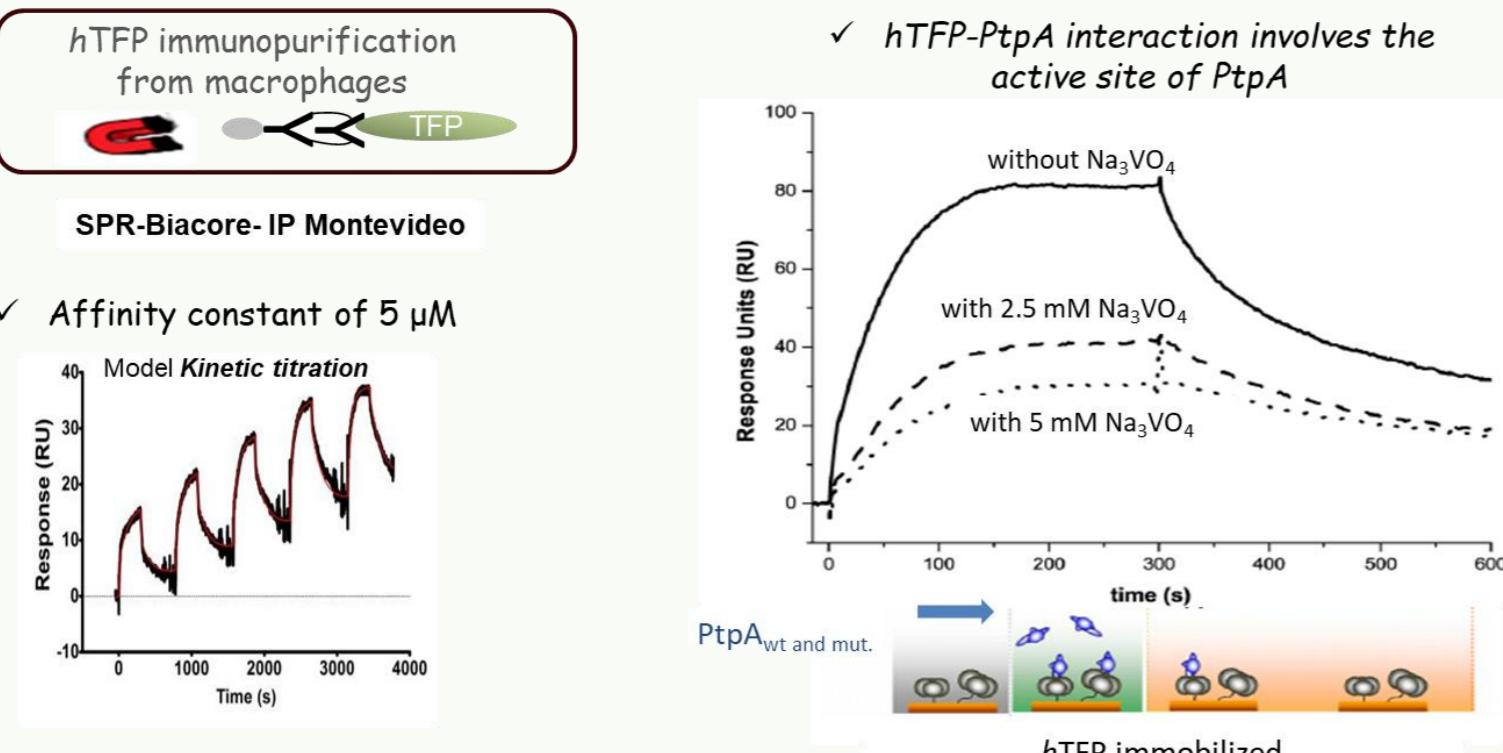
RESULTS

Mycobacterial PtpA and hTFP α form a stable complex that involves PtpA active site

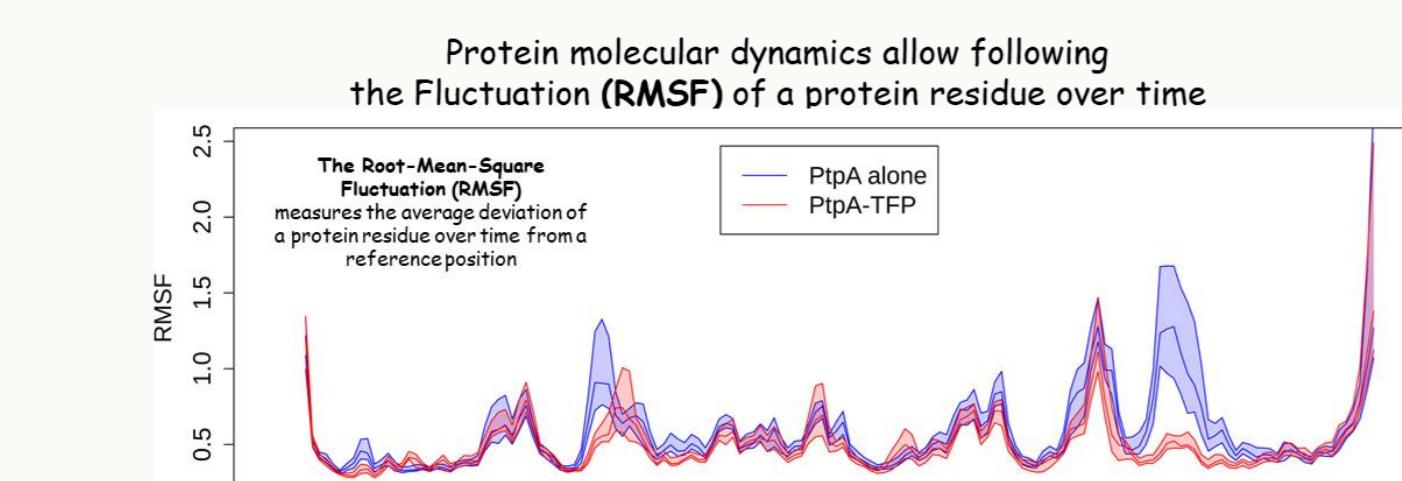
- hTFP-PtpA interaction was verified in an eukaryotic cellular context



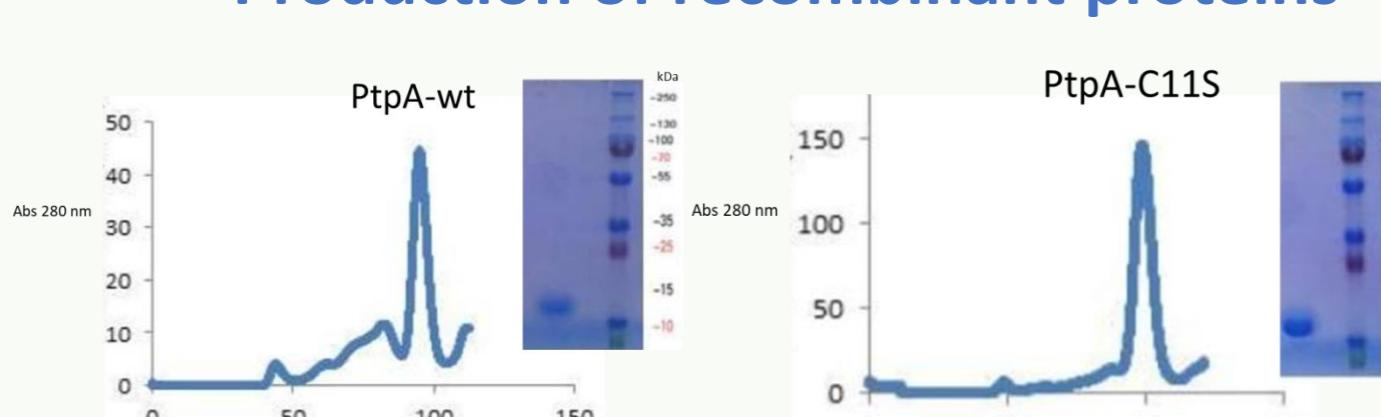
- PtpA-hTFP interacts through the active site of PtpA (affinity constant of 5 μ M)



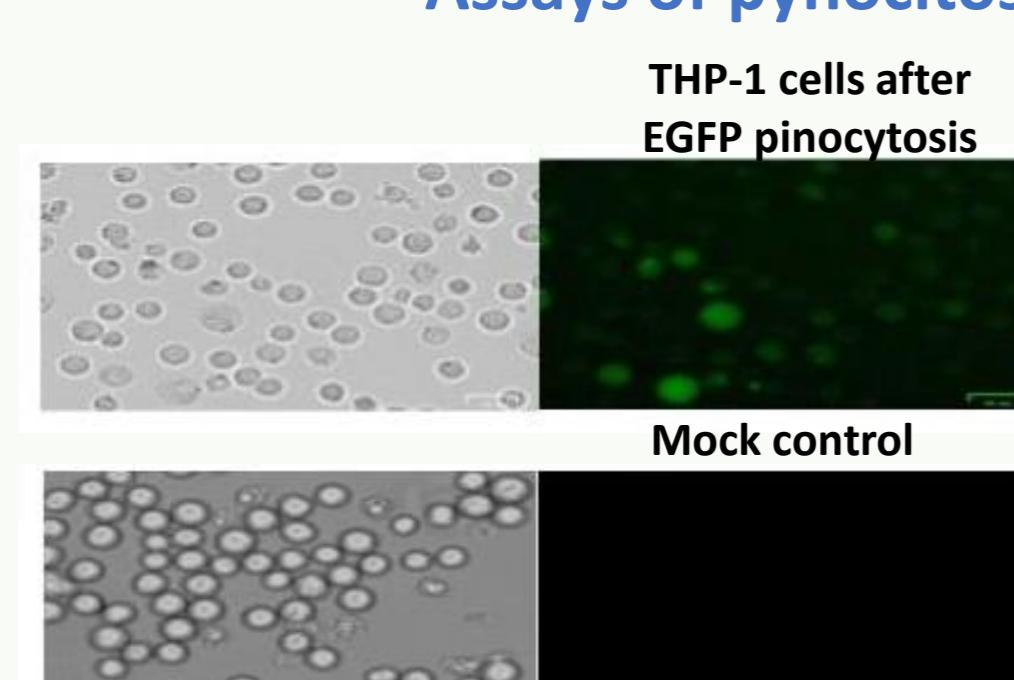
- The PtpA-hTFP complex is stable, detecting a PtpA catalytic D-loop stabilization



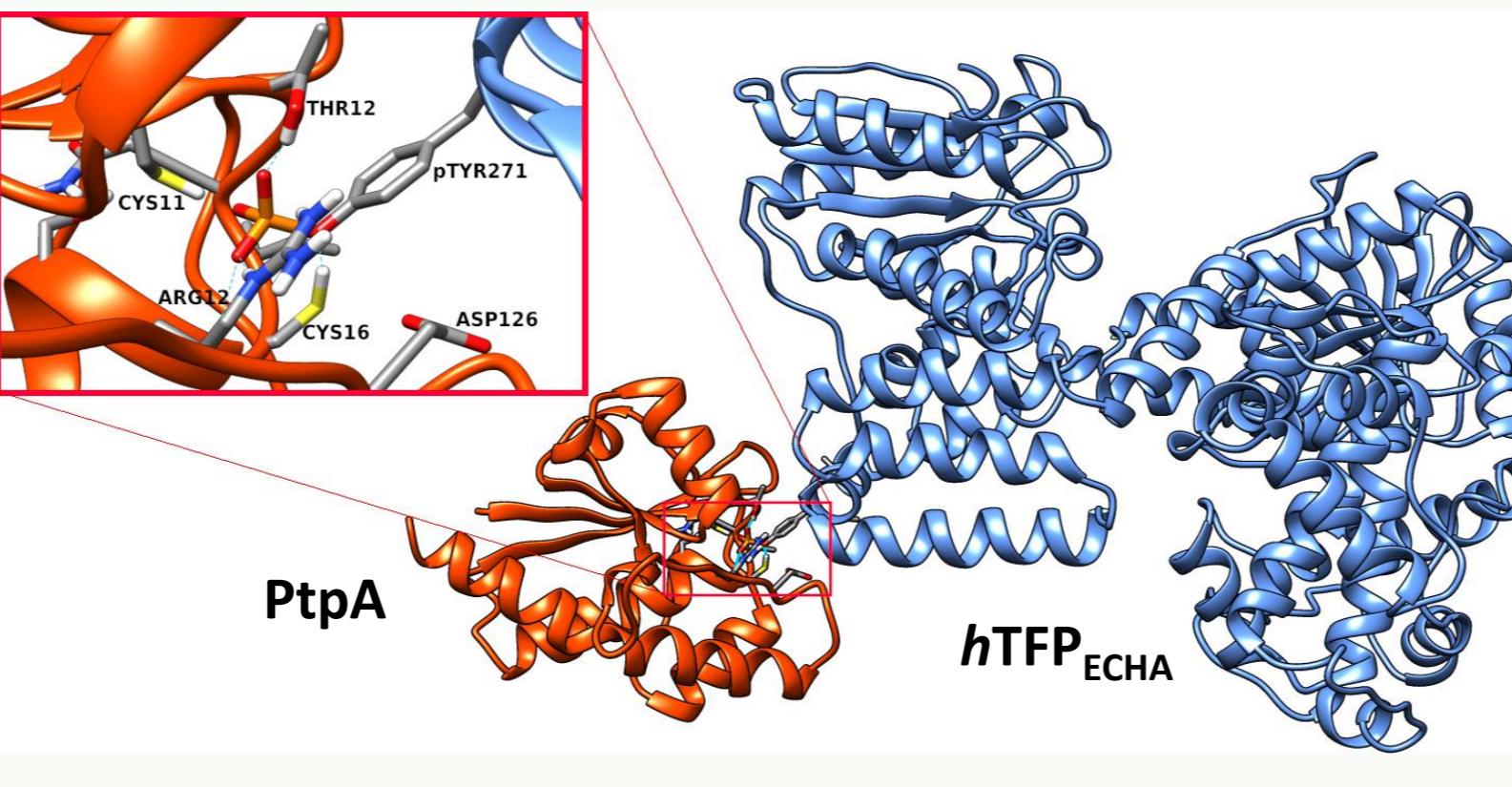
- Production of recombinant proteins



Assays of pinocytosis



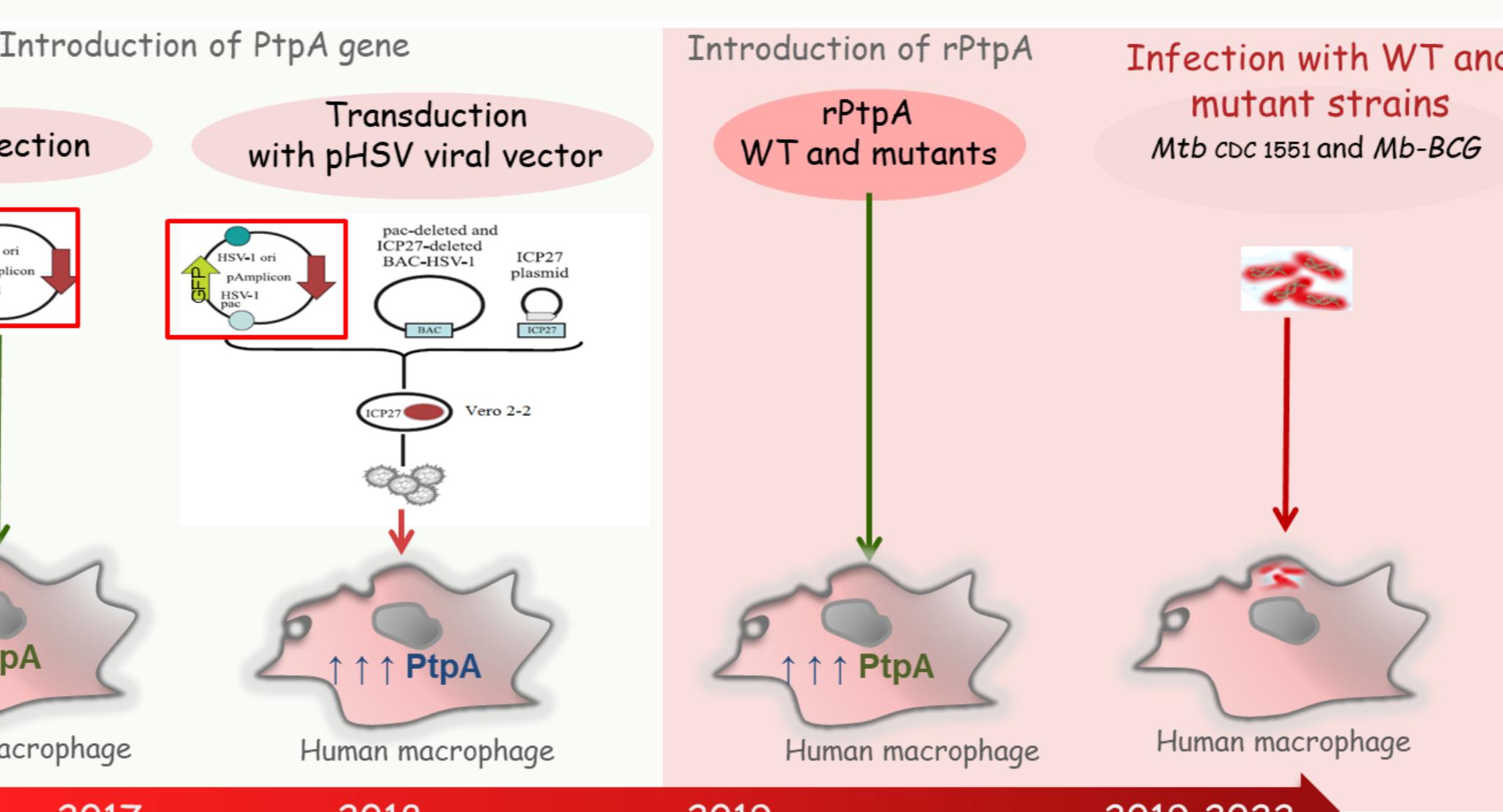
The P-Tyr 271 is the potential target of mycobacterial PtpA and is located in a helix relevant for human TFP localization and activity



- ✓ hTFP-PtpA interaction involves the active site of PtpA
- ✓ P-Tyr 271 and Helix-10 are absents in bacterial-TFP homologues

Phosphotyrosine	Total number of clusters	Number of members for:	Electrostatic binding energy (kcal/mol) for:		
		MPC	CLEB	CLEB	CLEB
p-Tyr 43	10	67	42	122.4±20.1	193.1±18.1
p-Tyr 239	7	92		163.9±48.9	34.467
p-Tyr 271	3	173		127.3±6.7	56.526
p-Tyr 435	7	49		125.7±21.7	7.45
p-Tyr 637	8	60	8	99.9±20.4	153.1±21.0
p-Tyr 639	8	75	7	124.2±11.6	14.7±35.1
p-Tyr 724	11	34	16	133.6±45.1	88.2±32.7
p-Tyr 762	10	42		52.5±41.9	2.229

What occurs in macrophages?



• CHALLENGES

Using the infection model we attempt to answer these questions

Is the hTFP activity or localization affected by PtpA?

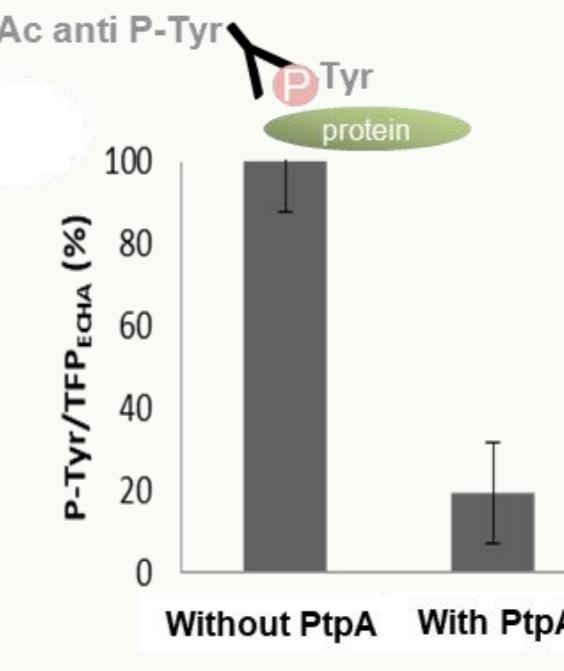


PtpA activity correlates with glycolysis inhibition acting on PFK (K6PP) potential substrate?

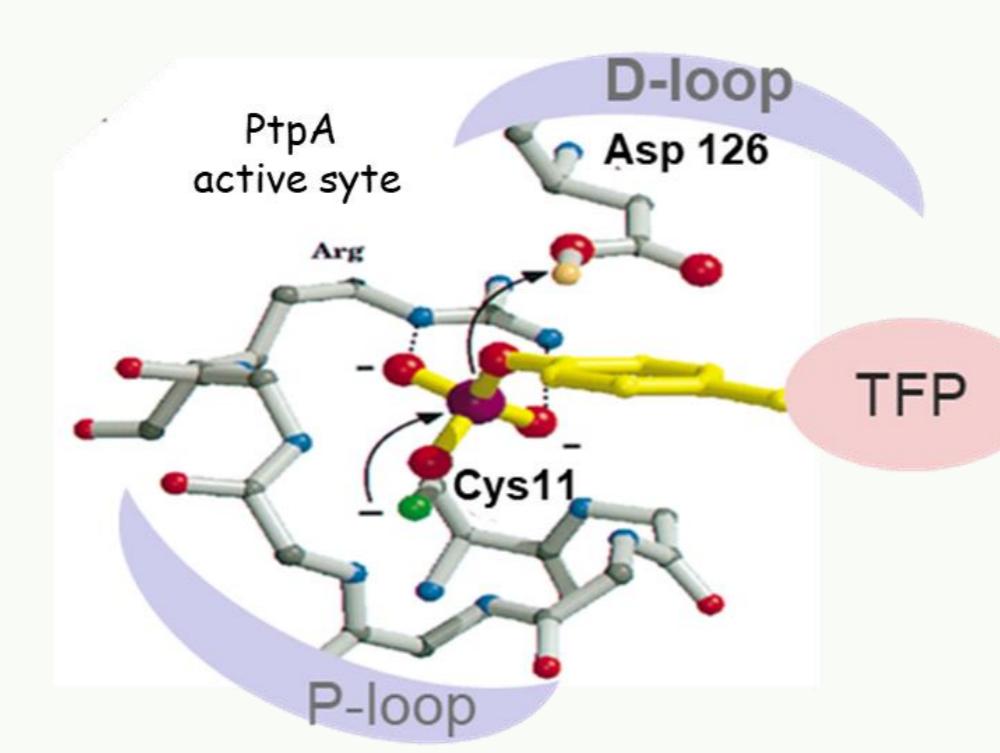
PtpA correlates with FAs/TAGs accumulation in the cytosol?

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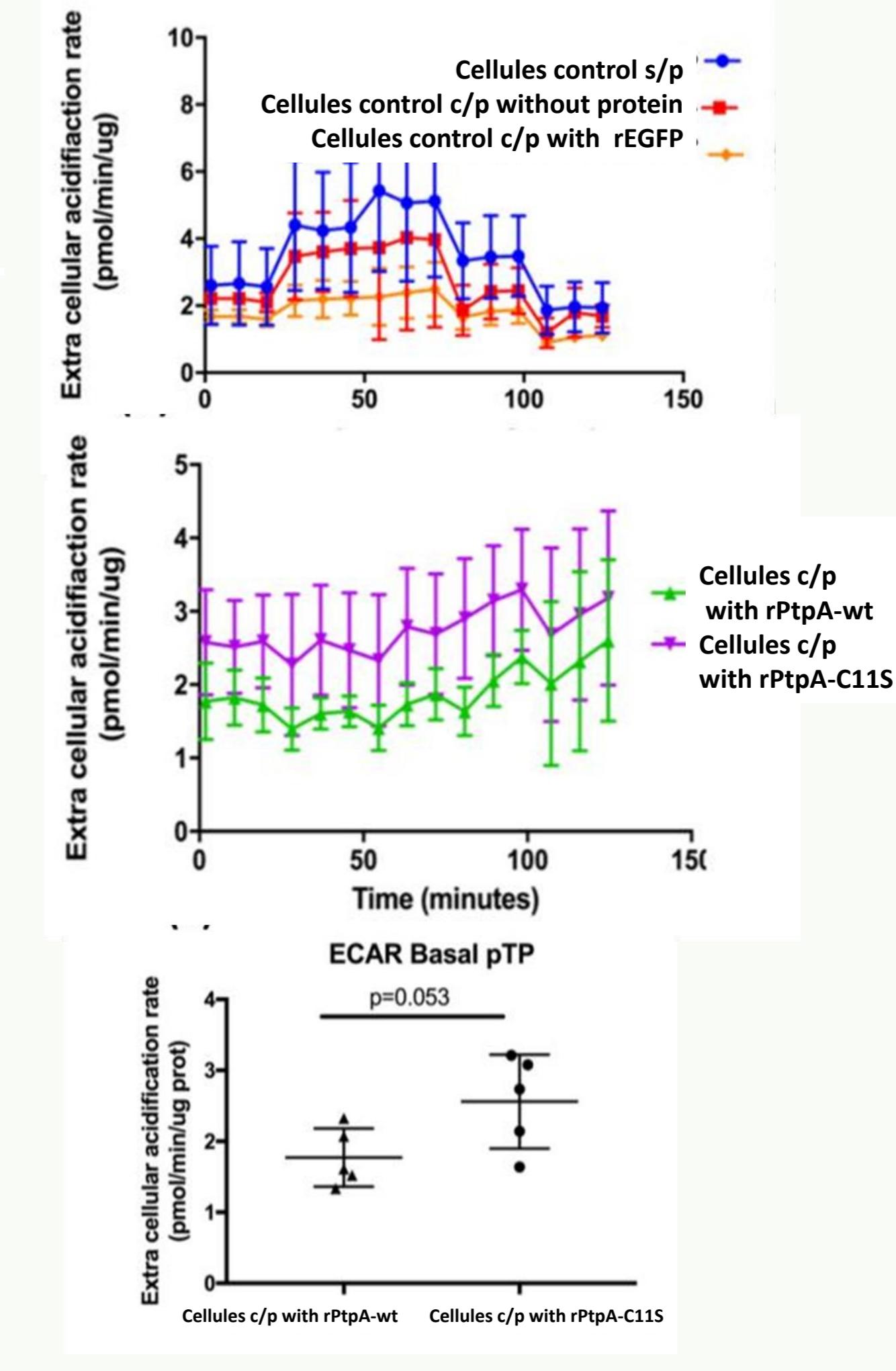
In vitro PtpA dephosphorylates hTFP



- hTFP dephosphorylation was dependent on PtpA dose



- In THP1-cells containing PtpA-wt but not the inactive mutant PtpA-C115 we observed a decrease in the extracellular acidification rate



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