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Decoding protein phosphorylation during oocyte meiotic divisions using

phosphoproteomics

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ABSTRACT

Oocyte meiotic divisions represent a critical process in sexual reproduction, as a diploid non-dividing

oocyte is transformed into a haploid fertilizable egg, as a prelude for the subsequent embryonic divisions

and differentiation. Although cell differentiation and proliferation are governed by transcription, oocyte

maturation and early embryonic divisions depend entirely on changes in protein abundance and post-

translational modifications. Here, we analyze the abundance and phosphorylation of proteins during

Xenopus oocyte meiotic maturation. We reveal significant shifts in protein stability, related to spindle

assembly, DNA replication and RNA-binding. Our analysis pinpoints broad changes in phosphorylation

correlating with key cytological meiotic milestones, noteworthy changes in membrane trafficking, nuclear

envelope disassembly and modifications in microtubule dynamics. Additionally, specific phosphorylation

events target regulators of protein translation, Cdk1 and the Mos/MAPK pathway, thereby providing

insight into the dynamics of Cdk1 activity, as related to the meiotic cell cycle. This study sheds light on the

orchestration of protein dynamics and phosphorylation events during oocyte meiotic divisions, providing

a rich resource for understanding the molecular pathways orchestrating meiotic progression in the frog,

and most likely applicable to other vertebrate species.

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INTRODUCTION

In mature females, the oocyte undergoes a long period of growth, during which meiosis is arrested at prophase I. In the *Xenopus* oocyte, transcription is switched off when the oocyte reaches the end of its growth phase (Dumont, 1972). The full-grown oocyte is transcriptionally silent and equipped with a stock of mRNAs and proteins that will support without transcription three critical embryonic processes: first, two meiotic divisions that transform the oocyte into a fertilizable haploid egg; second, the process of fertilization; and third, 12 embryonic divisions, after which transcription is initiated.

The transformation of a fully-grown oocyte arrested in prophase into a fertilizable cell, arrested in metaphase of the second meiotic division is a process called meiotic maturation. Meiotic maturation is triggered by progesterone, secreted by the follicle cells surrounding the oocyte. The secretion of progesterone is stimulated by Luteinizing Hormone produced by the pituitary. Progesterone initiates a molecular signaling cascade that lasts 3 to 4 hours and occurs with little change in oocyte morphology. Notably, this cascade leads to the activation of the Cdk1-Cyclin B kinase, the universal inducer of cell division in eukaryotes. Cdk1 phosphorylates many substrates that promote meiotic nuclear events: nuclear envelope breakdown (NEBD), the formation of the first meiotic spindle marking the metaphase I (MI), the completion of the first meiotic division with expulsion of a polar body, and formation of the second meiotic spindle (Figure 1). As in all vertebrates, the frog oocyte arrests a second time in metaphase II (MII), until fertilization stimulates the completion of the second meiotic division. The entire process of oocyte maturation occurs in the absence of transcription. The regulation of the two meiotic divisions and the 13 embryonic divisions that follow are thought to be largely regulated by changes in protein abundance and phosphorylation/dephosphorylation.

The prophase-arrested oocyte contains a store of Cdk1-Cyclin B complexes that are kept inhibited by Cdk1 phosphorylation at Y15 and T14, which are substrates of the kinase, Myt1 (Mueller *et al*, 1995). In all vertebrates, the prophase arrest is maintained by high levels of cAMP and PKA (cAMP-activated protein kinase) activity (Figure 1). The release of this prophase block is triggered by a drop in the levels of cAMP and the consequent inhibition of PKA, which occurs within 60 min after progesterone stimulation. The identity of the critical PKA substrates whose dephosphorylation is thought to induce the pathway leading to Cdk1 activation is still unknown, with the exception of Arpp19 whose mechanism of action is not completely understood (Dupré *et al*, 2014; Santoni *et al*, 2024). Nevertheless, a drop in PKA activity leads to the synthesis of new proteins from cytoplasmic stockpiles of mRNAs as well as increases in protein level through regulation of the ubiquitination machinery (Santoni *et al*, 2024). Among the accumulated proteins are Cyclin B1, the best-known activator of Cdk1 in mitotic cells, RINGO/Speedy (Ferby *et al*, 1999;

Lenormand, 1999) and Mos, a kinase specific to the oocytes (Figure 1). The newly synthesized B1-Cyclins

bind to monomeric Cdk1 to form a small pool of active complexes that evade the inhibition of Myt1

(Hochegger *et al*, 2001; Gaffré *et al*, 2011). Subsequently, this small amount of active Cdk1 initiates a

complex network of feedback loops, involving many kinases and phosphatases, thereby creating an auto-

amplification loop (Jessus, 2010) (Figure 1). Within this loop, the activation of the Cdc25 phosphatase that

dephosphorylates Cdk1 and the inhibition of the PP2A phosphatase that counteracts Cdk1, lead to a rapid

and full activation of Cdk1-Cyclin B (Jessus, 2010; Lemonnier *et al*, 2020). Another important player in this

positive feedback loop is Mos, whose translation is induced by progesterone and which accumulates at

the time of Cdk1 activation (Sagata *et al*, 1988, 1989a; Frank-Vaillant *et al*, 1999). Mos activates Erk1/2

(also known as MAPK) indirectly, which modulates the core regulators of Cdk1 (Haccard & Jessus, 2006)

(Figure 1). Cdk1 and the kinases activated under its control (Mos/MAPK, Aurora-A, Plk1, etc.) trigger a

second wave of protein translation and accumulation, as well as mediating the structural changes of cell

division: NEBD, chromosome condensation and formation of the Meiosis I spindle (Jessus, 2010; Santoni

et al, 2024). They also activate the anaphase-promoting complex (APC), an E3 ubiquitin ligase, leading to

the degradation of both Cyclin B and securin, thus enabling entry into anaphase I, chromosome separation

and the expulsion of the 1st polar body (Figure 1). The decrease in Cdk1 activity is rapidly followed by the

inhibition of APC, which then allows the accumulation of B-Cyclins and increase of Cdk1 activity (Figure

1). These events trigger the entry into metaphase II and the formation of the MII spindle. In all vertebrates,

oocytes arrest in the middle of the meiotic division as a result of the stabilization of cyclin B, resulting

from APC inhibition by the Emi2/Erp1 (Jessus, 2010) (Figure 1).

The burst of phosphorylation, which occurs at NEBD when Cdk1 is activated, targets proteins belonging

to three categories (Maller *et al*, 1977): first, regulators of translation and/or degradation of proteins that

are essential for the progression of meiotic divisions; second, proteins directly involved in the intracellular

reorganization of the oocyte, such as the components of meiotic spindles, the nuclear envelope or other

cytoskeletal elements; third, proteins that do not have a role in meiotic divisions but regulate fertilization

and early embryonic development. Notably, the sperm does not contribute any proteins or RNA except

for its genome and its two centrioles. With fertilization there is extrusion of the 2nd polar body, the fusion

of the male and female pronuclei. Within a few minutes after fertilization, the first S-phase starts, followed

by the first 12 embryonic division cycles, all occurring in the absence of transcription (Blitz & Cho, 2021).

Thus, these events depend exclusively on maternal proteins and mRNA. Phosphoregulation is a central

and conserved mechanism that enables remodeling of the oocyte proteome and supports cell division. It

prepares the oocyte to transform into the egg and undertake development. In the absence transcription

our knowledge of the dynamic patterns of phosphorylation of thousands of oocyte phosphosites
represents an essential tool for study of oogenesis, embryogenesis, especially the unique meiotic and
mitotic processes. Interestingly, two recent studies based on phosphoproteomics have revealed new
insights into how phosphorylation dynamics regulate meiotic divisions in yeast (Celebic *et al*, 2024; Koch
et al, 2024) and mouse (Sun *et al*, 2024). We now extend this analysis to the physiological process of
oogenesis specific to non-mammalian metazoans. The study of mitotic processes in somatic cells, which
are short in duration, requires exquisite synchronization, which is difficult. Although previous studies of
protein phosphorylation during mitosis have revealed the identity of numerous players of cell division,
especially those controlling the structural reorganization of the dividing cell and its checkpoints, they have
not been able to fully elucidate the epistatic relationships between kinases and phosphatases, which are
nonetheless crucial to understanding the temporal sequences regulating the various events of mitosis.
This weakness is due to the fact that cell proliferation is a continuous phenomenon, without physiological
arrest. Its duration varies from one cell to another within the same population. The necessity of using
synchronizing agents induces non-physiological arrests, which activate checkpoints, leading to the
resumption of the cell cycle not comparable to that of untreated cells. Moreover, these studies often use
transformed cell lines with accumulation of mutations that makes it hard to compare with cells in a
physiological cellular context. The exceptional features of oocyte maturation for experimental studies of
mitosis and meiosis are: 1) the synchronicity of the process in the oocyte, initiated by a physiological
signal, progesterone, 2) the natural oocyte arrests in oocyte maturation at either prophase I (equivalent
to a late G2-arrest) or at MII (M-phase arrest), 3) and the large size of the oocyte (1.2 mm in diameter)
and its high protein content (30 μg soluble proteins per cell), offering the rare opportunity of single-cell
proteomics. In addition, the *Xenopus* model offers great assets. From a technical perspective, in the
mouse, the small number of oocytes and their low protein content limit proteomic approaches (30,000
oocytes isolated from 950 mice were required for the phosphoproteomic profiling by (Sun *et al*, 2024)).
Furthermore, the resumption of meiotic divisions in mouse obeys a particular regulation: unlike other
mammalian models (including the human species) and other vertebrates whose entry into meiosis I
depends strictly on protein translation, it does not require the synthesis of new proteins, making it a
somewhat marginal model(Meneau *et al*, 2020). For these reasons, we performed time-resolved
proteomics and phosphoproteomics in *Xenopus* oocytes from prophase I through the MII arrest of the
unfertilized egg.
In this study, we have analyzed the changes in the phosphorylation in relation to three categories
of events: specific periods of meiotic maturation, activities of the master regulators of meiosis and

peculiar cellular features of meiosis. Our analysis confirms the high quality of our phosphoproteome by

the detection of multiple phosphorylation events with previously-documented functional effects on

meiotic divisions or early development. Through the detection of many new regulated phosphosites, it

provides a rich pool of candidate proteins for multiple avenues of investigation of previously

uncharacterized important players of the oocyte to embryo transition.

RESULTS

The temporal resolution of the events of meiotic divisions

To determine both proteome and phosphoproteome of *Xenopus* oocytes during meiosis resumption, meiotic maturation was triggered by progesterone, and oocytes were collected at regular intervals after progesterone exposure (Movie EV1, Methods): prophase oocytes (PRO) at the time of progesterone addition, then 2 hours after progesterone treatment, with hourly timepoints past that, up to 9 hours post-treatment. Groups of ten or fifty oocytes were collected at each timepoint for protein and phospho-proteomics measurements respectively. After oocyte lysis, digestion into peptides and phospho-peptide enrichment in the case of phosphoproteomics analysis, samples were processed for TMT-MS3 LC/MS (Methods).

To correlate the time-points of this experiment with the cytological events known to occur during meiosis resumption, a set of proteins whose accumulation had been extensively studied during *Xenopus* oocyte meiosis progression were used as markers. One of the first events following progesterone stimulation is the accumulation of Cyclin B1 that begins before and independently of Cdk1 activation (Santoni *et al*, 2024; Frank-Vaillant *et al*, 1999). In our experiments, Cyclin B1 accumulation starts at about 2 hours and increases linearly until MII arrest at 6.5 hours (Figure 2A). It has been reported that Mos translation is stimulated by progesterone concomitant with the accumulation of Cyclin B1; however the Mos protein does not accumulate before NEBD because it turns over rapidly (Santoni *et al*, 2024; Frank-Vaillant *et al*, 1999). Another critical well documented event that occurs downstream to Cdk1 activation is the degradation of CPEB1 (Santoni *et al*, 2024; Mendez *et al*, 2002), an RNA-binding protein whose degradation activates protein translation in MI. Hence, Mos accumulation and the degradation of CPEB1 are well established markers for the timing of NEBD. After NEBD, activation of the anaphase-promoting complex (APC) leads to the ubiquitination and degradation of Cyclin B2, which marks the entry into anaphase I. During the MI-MII transition, multiple additional events take place: Cyclin B3 is degraded (Bouftas *et al*, 2022), Cdc6 (Lemaître *et al*, 2002; Whitmire *et al*, 2002; Daldello *et al*, 2015), Wee2 (Nakajo *et al*, 2000) and Cyclin E (Rempel *et al*, 1995) accumulate, reaching their maximal levels in MII. These four events mark the entry into MII. Based on these markers, the timing of cytological events in our experiment is as follows (Figure 2A): NEBD and MI occur between 3 and 4 hours, the MI-MII transition takes place between 5 and 6 hours, and entry and arrest in MII are at 7 hours. This time course is in agreement with the cytological previously described events (Huchon *et al*, 1981; Gard, 1992). A physiological measure of MII arrest can be ascertained by the ability of the oocytes to be activated by an electric shock, a property that is acquired only in MII (Movie EV2).

Validation of the quantitative proteomic data

The quality of oocytes resuming meiosis is also confirmed by the dynamics of protein accumulation and degradation that occur during meiotic progression (Figure 2B). A set of 34 proteins, whose changes in concentration have been previously studied during meiotic divisions was used to validate the quality of our quantitative proteomics data (Figure 2B-figure supplement 3A). Our proteome correctly classifies 15 out of 18 proteins accumulating during *Xenopus* meiosis resumption (FC(MII/PRO) > 1.5), 11 out of 12 proteins whose concentration is constant (0.75 < FC(MII/PRO) < 1.5), and 4 out of 4 proteins whose accumulation was reported to decrease (FC(MII/PRO) < 0.75) (Figure 2B-figure supplement 3A). The concordance between our dataset (30/34 proteins) with the changes in the protein levels reported in the literature is substantially higher than in a previously published system-wide proteomic dataset from *Xenopus* oocytes where only 7 out of these 34 proteins were correctly measured (Peuchen *et al*, 2017) (Figure 2-figure supplement 3A-B). This also may explain why changes in protein concentration reported in that study poorly correlate with the one measured in our proteomic study (Figure 2-figure supplement 3B). The high quality of the new proteomic data is also confirmed by the strong correlation of the translational pattern of *Xenopus* allo-alleles (Figure 2-figure supplement 3C-D), which were derived by genome endoduplication (Session *et al*, 2016).

Protein homeostasis during meiotic divisions

Absolute concentrations of proteins during meiotic maturation

The absolute concentration of 7974 proteins identified in our proteome dataset was calculated (See Appendix 1). We then performed a qualitative comparison of average oocyte abundance of proteins belonging to distinct functional groups (see Appendix 2). As expected, the less abundant subgroups include signaling molecules and transcription factors. Perhaps of more surprise, E3 enzymes and kinases are not abundant. At the other end of the spectrum are glycolytic and tricarboxylic acid cycle enzymes, as well as proteasome and ribosome components. These observations are expected because the oocyte has a stock of nutrient molecules and all the enzymes linked to their metabolism, which are used in viviparous animals throughout embryonic and larval development. For instance, the glycolytic enzyme GAPDH that catalyzes an important energy-yielding step in carbohydrate metabolism, is a very abundant protein in the oocyte (average concentration of between 8.88 μM and 17.83 μM). The ribogenesis program, which takes place during the oocyte growth from stage III to stage VI, before meiosis resumption, allows the accumulation of very large quantities of ribosomal RNAs and proteins that are used during embryonic

development, until the swimming tadpole stage (Woodland, 1974). Similarly, the components of the DNA
replication machinery are quite abundant, probably in anticipation of the post-fertilization cell cycles. All
these data are therefore consistent with biological understanding of their roles during embryonic
development after post-fertilization (Peshkin *et al*, 2015).

Temporal profiles of protein levels
We clustered the relative data for protein abundance across subsequent hourly timepoints post-
progesterone stimulation (see Methods). As illustrated in Appendix 3A, the majority of the 60 expression
profiles are flat, demonstrating that most (over 80%) proteins are stable during meiotic maturation. Our
proteomic dataset allowed to identify 12% of proteins affected by changes in concentration during meiotic
progression by applying the same fold change threshold: 413 proteins that accumulate and 562 proteins
whose concentration decreases (Figure 2B-figure supplement 3E; see Appendix 4). Although these
changes only concern a minority of proteins, they are critical for the meiotic process. Since transcription
is silent during this period, these documented changes must result from the regulation of translation
or/and degradation (Meneau *et al*, 2020).

Protein accumulation: the machinery of cell division and DNA replication. Gene ontology analysis
was used to characterize the functional significance of the 413 proteins whose level increases during
meiosis. Proteins involved in spindle assembly and mitotic division were significantly enriched (Figure 2C).
Among these important regulators are the Targeting-protein-for-Xklp2 (Tpx2) and Protein-regulator-of-
cytokinesis 1 (Prc1) that also accumulate during meiotic maturation in mouse oocytes (Brunet *et al*, 2008;
Li *et al*, 2021). We also find that the centrosomal maturation factor, SSX2IP, a plus-end motor kinesin,
Kif11/Eg5, and a minus-end one, Kifc1 (Houliston *et al*, 1994), also accumulate significantly during meiotic
maturation. Three of these proteins, Tpx2 and the two kinesins, play an important role in the assembly of
both acentrosomal meiotic spindles and centrosomal mitotic spindles (Gruss, 2018; Kufer *et al*, 2002; Ems-
McClung *et al*, 2020; Miller *et al*, 2019). Interestingly, the prophase oocyte is equipped with most of the
proteins essential for the formation of division spindles. Hence these new results suggest that increases
in the relative level of some components is required to support the meiotic and first rapid embryonic
divisions.

Another protein category found to increase is the machinery of DNA replication initiation (Figure
2C). Indeed, oocytes accumulate the components of the DNA replication machinery during meiosis
resumption to support the 12 rapid rounds of cell cycles occurring during early embryogenesis, all of which
occur in the absence of transcription. In *Xenopus*, Cdc6 is a component of the pre-replicative (pre-RC)
complex that is not detectable in the prophase-arrested oocyte by western blot (Lemaître *et al*, 2002;

Whitmire *et al*, 2002; Daldello *et al*, 2015). Cdc6 accumulation occurs during the MI-MII transition to

confer oocytes the competence to replicate DNA (Lemaître *et al*, 2002; Whitmire *et al*, 2002; Daldello *et*

al, 2015) (Figure 1). Translational and then post-translational mechanisms targeting Cdc6 prevent the pre-

RC from functioning between the two meiotic divisions, thus ensuring the production of a haploid gamete.

Our proteomic analysis shows that, additional pre-RC proteins, as ORC1, ORC2 and ORC6 accumulate

during meiotic maturation, revealing a strong co-regulation of the components of the pre-RC.

Another process controlled by highly enriched proteins is vesicle tethering, which includes the

family of exocyst proteins (Figure 2C). Interestingly, exocyst proteins are involved in the completion of cell

division during the secretory-vesicle-mediated abscission (Gromley *et al*, 2005). The accumulation of

these proteins during meiotic maturation could be important to support the extrusion of the polar bodies,

as already suggested in *C. elegans* (Kumar *et al*, 2019) and the rapid cell divisions sustaining early

embryogenesis.

Protein degradation: RNA-binding proteins (RBPs). Gene ontology analysis of the 562 proteins

whose concentration decreases during meiosis reveals that 116 (21 %) are annotated to bind RNA. Among

them, a large portion are RNA helicases (Figure 2D). Among these RBPs, another important group are

proteins that are involved in ribosome biogenesis. The ribogenesis program takes place during the oocyte

growth, allowing the accumulation of ribosomal RNAs and proteins that are used during embryonic

development (Woodland, 1974). This process is downregulated during meiotic maturation (Hyman &

Wormington, 1988; Chen *et al*, 2011). The decrease in the concentration of proteins involved in rRNA

synthesis and processing does not result in a general decrease of ribosomal proteins that are stable during

meiotic divisions (Figure 2-figure supplement 4A). Halting ribogenesis may allow the oocyte to re-allocate

its energy resources to the production of other cellular components required for meiotic divisions and

embryogenesis. Intriguingly, Rpl26 (Ribosomal protein L26) is the only ribosomal protein detected to

decrease during meiotic divisions (Figure 2-figure supplement 4A). Since this protein is known to be

dispensable for ribosome formation in yeast (Babiano *et al*, 2012; Warner & McIntosh, 2009; Takagi *et al*,

2005), the distinct regulation of Rpl26 as compared to the other Rpls suggests that Rpl26 might have extra-

ribosomal functions. This hypothesis is reinforced by its specific modification by the ubiquitin-like

UFMylation modification (Walczak *et al*, 2019) and its role in the regulation of protein stability (Zhang *et*

al, 2016). Another subgroup of RBPs that decrease during meiotic divisions is involved in the repression

of translation during prophase arrest, such as CPEB1 (Mendez *et al*, 2002; Reverte *et al*, 2001; Piqué *et al*,

2008), PATL2 (Nakamura *et al*, 2010; Cao *et al*, 2021; Christou-Kent *et al*, 2018) and Zar1l (Zar2)

(Charlesworth *et al*, 2012; Yamamoto *et al*, 2013; Rong *et al*, 2019). Remodeling the repertoire of RBPs in

the oocyte could be a general mechanism to regulate translation during meiotic divisions. Among these

RBPs is Serbp1, which in mouse is involved in the stabilization of mRNA involved in meiosis resumption

(Chew *et al*, 2013) and in ribosome hibernation (Leesch *et al*, 2023), as well as Caprin2, whose degradation

is also observed during meiotic maturation of human oocytes (Virant-Klun *et al*, 2016). Caprin2 is a RBP

with unknown function and highly enriched in the oocyte Balbiani body (Boke *et al*, 2016), a non-

membrane compartment specific to the early diplotene oocytes, which contains mitochondria, RNAs and

endoplasmic reticulum. The functions of this organelle are not clear, although it is strongly correlated in

Xenopus to the establishment of oocyte polarity and to the localization of maternal determinants

(Jamieson-Lucy & Mullins, 2019). In *Xenopus*, it disperses at the onset of vitellogenesis, leaving a wedge-

shaped cytoplasmic region rich in mitochondria (Wilk *et al*, 2005) and promotes the formation of RNP

condensates in the vegetal cortex of the oocyte (Yang *et al*, 2022). Interestingly, Rbpms2, another

regulator of the Balbiani body (Kaufman *et al*, 2018), is strongly degraded during meiotic maturation,

highlighting how dynamic during meiosis is the composition of this transient compartment specific to the

oocyte.

Interestingly, distinct E3 ubiquitin ligases, mainly APC and SCF (Skp, Cullin, F-box containing

complex) have been shown to be active at different time periods of meiosis resumption in *Xenopus*

oocytes (Kinterová *et al*, 2022). 186 proteins (37%) identified as decreasing in our proteome include in

their sequences one of the APC degrons (Figure 2-figure supplement 4B). This group of proteins includes

two known APC targets, Cyclin B2 (Glotzer *et al*, 1991) and Securin (Cohen-Fix *et al*, 1996). Additionally,

30 proteins (6%) whose concentration decreases in the oocytes have one SCF degron in their sequence

(Figure 2-figure supplement 4B), including CPEB1 (Reverte *et al*, 2001) and Cdc6 (Daldello *et al*, 2015), two

characterized SCF-targets. Interestingly, 253 proteins (57%) of proteins that decrease during meiotic

divisions do not bear in their sequence any of the degrons for the ubiquitination systems identified in

Xenopus oocytes (Figure 2-figure supplement 4B). Further research is therefore required to identify the

sequences and the E3 enzymes and deubiquitinating enzymes that control the turnover of this important

protein class.

The highly dynamic landscape of phosphorylation during meiotic maturation

We performed phosphoproteomic mass spectrometry analysis in order to measure the overall dynamics

of protein phosphorylation taking place during meiotic divisions and to identify which specific proteins

and which sites are phosphorylated during this process. We identified 6783 different phosphor-peptides

and quantified the dynamics of relative change across all time points (see Appendix 5). These peptides

came from 2308 distinct proteins. Our phosphosites dataset contains 80% Ser, 19.9% Thr, and 0.01% Tyr.

Phospho-Tyr are slightly less abundant than what has been described in most cells (up to 0.05% (Sharma

et al, 2014)). The same observation was made regarding the distribution of phosphorylated amino acids

in mouse oocytes, where phospho-Tyr abundance is relatively diminished in oocytes compared to mouse

organs (Sun *et al*, 2024). When respective protein and un-phosphorylated peptide were also measured,

we were able to compute the stoichiometry (see Methods). A list of all 415 phosphosites for which it was

possible to calculate the phospho-occupancy is provided (see Appendix 6).

We identified the human homologous counterparts of 5901 (87%) among the 6783 sites found to be

phosphorylated during meiotic divisions. Interestingly, only 177 (3%) out of 5901 conserved sites were

already known to be phosphorylated on phosphosite.org database

(https://www.phosphosite.org/homeAction). Thus, our phosphosite dataset identifies a very large

number of novel phosphosites, never previously identified and characterized. Such a small number of

previously reported phosphorylations among those detected by our phosphoproteome might suggest that

a large portion of these phosphorylation events are related to cell division. Dividing cells generally account

for a small fraction of tissue mass. This leads to a high dilution of the phosphorylation signature of cell

division, as compared to the highly synchronous meiotic divisions of oocyte maturation. Interestingly, 60%

of the phosphosites detected in oocytes are dynamically regulated during meiotic maturation, highlighting

the importance of this post-translational regulation in controlling this last step of oogenesis and meiosis.

Unbiased clustering reveals that changes in protein phosphorylation are pervasive and far more dynamic

than changes in protein abundance (see Appendix 3), which was also noted during yeast meiosis (Koch *et*

al, 2024). Comparing the three stages of meiotic division (PRO, MI and MII) and based on the main cellular

events of these stages, we can group phosphor-peptide stoichiometry into 5 classes (Figure 3A; see

Appendix 5). Class I includes proteins bearing a phosphosite whose occupancy decreases during the first

2 hours following progesterone stimulation. This class includes only 136 phospho-peptides (2%) which

might be involved in the early signaling pathway induced by progesterone and PKA downregulation. This

small number was expected since there is a low level of phosphorylation detectable in prophase-arrested

oocytes (Maller *et al*, 1977). This makes sense since there are presumably only a few substrates of PKA

sufficient to initiate meiosis resumption. Class II is larger (39% of the phosphor-peptides) and includes

proteins whose phosphorylation increases between NEBD and MI and which remain highly

phosphorylated in both MI and MII. The massive amount of Class II phosphosites presumably reflects the

catalytic power of Cdk1 as well as its downstream kinases, to generate the thousands of substrates

essential for cell division. We used the online server (https://kinase-library.phosphosite.org/kinase-

library/score-site) to score the phosphosites in the Class II and predict the kinases likely responsible for

their phosphorylation (Johnson *et al*, 2023). Using a percentile score threshold of 90, we identified 303,

304, and 267 peptides predicted to be phosphorylated by Cdk1, Erk1/2, and Plk1, respectively (Figure 3—

figure supplement 1A). Among these, 166 sites were predicted to be efficiently phosphorylated by either

Cdk1 or Erk1/2, consistent with the similarity in their phosphorylation consensus motifs. In contrast, there

was minimal overlap between the sites predicted to be phosphorylated by Plk1 and those targeted by

Cdk1 or Erk1/2. Consequently, Class II phosphorylations are largely dependent on Cdk1 activity, whether

they are directly catalyzed by this kinase or indirectly through kinases under its control, such as Erk1/2

and Plk1 (see below). Our measurements that most of the sites, which are phosphorylated in MI, remain

stably phosphorylated during MI to MII transition is consistent with the observations made in yeast

showing that most of Cdk1 motifs remain phosphorylated at the end of meiosis I (Celebic *et al*, 2024).

Class III (5%) consists of proteins whose phosphorylation peaks in MI then decreases while oocytes

progress throughout meiotic maturation. This is the most predominant class of phosphosites present

during meiotic maturation in starfish (Swartz *et al*, 2021) and follow the peculiar pattern of Cdk1 activity

peaking at MI in these oocytes (Okano-Uchida *et al*, 1998; Kishimoto, 2003). Class IV (9%) is composed of

proteins whose phosphorylation progressively increases from MI to MII, hence potentially implicated in

MII entry. Finally, Class V (5%) comprises proteins whose phosphorylation increases from MII and which

could play a role in establishing the MII arrest. The phosphosites that are specific for either MI (Class III)

or MII (Classes IV and V) are much less abundant (5%, 9% and 5% respectively, Figure 3A) and might

distinguish the biochemical state of the two meiotic divisions. These conclusions were supported by the

identification of the kinases whose predicted phosphorylation sites are most enriched within each class,

by using the same server (https://kinase-library.phosphosite.org/kinase-library/score-site). Each class was

associated with a distinct set of enriched kinases (Figure 3-figure supplement 1B). It confirms that Cdk1

and its downstream kinases, Erk1/2 and Plk1 are the master regulators in Class II. The kinases identified

in Classes IV and V may represent novel regulators of entry into and arrest at MII.

The release of the prophase arrest: receptors and membrane trafficking

Receptors. Since meiotic maturation signaling begins with the interaction of progesterone with

membrane receptors, we first focused our analysis on these proteins (Josefsberg Ben-Yehoshua *et al*,

2007; Sadler & Maller, 1985). Progesterone signals through activation of a seven-pass-transmembrane

progesterone receptor (mPRβ or PAQR8) that belongs to the progestin and adiponectin receptor family

(Josefsberg Ben-Yehoshua *et al*, 2007; Nader *et al*, 2018, 2020) (Figure 1). The release of the prophase

block also involves the inactivation of an orphan constitutively active GPCR, GPR185, responsible for

maintaining oocyte prophase arrest by ensuring high cAMP levels and PKA activity (Ríos-Cardona *et al*,

2008; Deng *et al*, 2008). Progesterone decreases GPR185 signaling either through its cleavage by a

metalloproteinase (Deng *et al*, 2008) or through its endocytosis (Nader *et al*, 2014). One limitation of our

dataset lies in the loss of some membrane proteins during the fractionation protocol, explaining why our

proteomic workflow did not detect mPRβ and GPR185 or its close relative GPR12. Nevertheless, it does

detect some proteins that interact with mPR, *i.e.* PGRMC1, VLDLR and APPL1. PGRMC1 is known to form

a receptor complex with mPRα and is necessary for mediating progesterone signaling in zebrafish oocytes

(Wu *et al*, 2018). Interestingly, our phosphorylation data reveals that PGRMC1 and its close relative

PGRMC2 are phosphorylated on two homologous threonine residues during meiotic maturation,

suggesting that these proteins may contribute to mPRβ activity in *Xenopus* oocytes. In the prophase-

arrested oocyte, VLDLR regulates mPR trafficking from the endoplasmic reticulum through the Golgi to

the plasma membrane, preparing the oocyte to be responsive to progesterone (Nader *et al*, 2018). In

contrast, progesterone induces clathrin-dependent endocytosis of mPRβ into signaling endosomes, where

mPR interacts transiently with APPL1 and Akt2 to induce meiosis (Nader *et al*, 2020). The

phosphoproteomic data reveal that both APPL1 and Akt are phosphorylated in response to progesterone

but at the time of Cdk1 activation and on residues distinct from those identified by Nader *et al*. (2020).

Hence, phosphorylation events may continue to regulate the trafficking and activity of this receptor during

meiotic maturation, ensuring that the plasma membrane of the future egg is devoid of any steroid

receptor.

393   ***Membrane traffic.*** Vesicular trafficking at the cell membrane appears to be crucial for the

394 maintenance and the release the prophase meiotic arrest, and may also function through early

395 embryogenesis (Figure 1). In the prophase-arrested oocyte, the accumulation of the GPR185 receptor at

396 the plasma membrane maintains high cAMP levels (Nader *et al*, 2014) while the plasma membrane

397 targeting of mPRβ renders the oocyte competent to respond to progesterone (Nader *et al*, 2018).

398   Exocytosis is also crucial for the formation of the fluid-filled blastocoele cavity during

embryogenesis (Müller, 2001). Indeed, the apical membrane of the epithelium surrounding the blastula,

where the polarized activities of ion channels and transporters generate the blastocoele fluid, is formed

from the oocyte cell membrane (Müller, 2001). This requires further remodeling. Progesterone rapidly

blocks this exocytosis pathway (Colman *et al*, 1985; Leaf *et al*, 1990), leading to a decrease in membrane

surface area, which is revealed by the disappearance of microvilli that are enriched in oocytes but almost

absent in eggs (Dumont, 1972; Kado *et al*, 1981; Larabell & Chandler, 1989; Bluemink *et al*, 1983).

Importantly, blocking exocytosis induces meiotic maturation, in the absence of hormonal stimulation

(Mulner-Lorillon *et al*, 1995; El-Jouni *et al*, 2007). Furthermore, progesterone stimulates endocytosis of

membrane proteins, such as GPR185, whose activity is suppressed by its internalization, and mPRβ, whose

internalization is required to transduce its effects (Nader *et al*, 2018, 2020, 2014). The stimulation of

endocytosis also converts plasma membrane into intracellular vesicles that can provide membrane

reserves, necessary to support the rapid cell divisions, and hence the requirement for greater total

membrane surface area, during embryogenesis (Angres *et al*, 1991; Gawantka *et al*, 1992). However, it is

unknown whether PKA is responsible for the active secretory transport during the prophase arrest and

how progesterone blocks exocytosis and stimulates endocytosis (Figure 1).

To improve our understanding of vesicular trafficking and membrane organization, we analyzed

the proteins involved in these processes whose phosphosites belong to Class I (Figure 3B). Among these

proteins, PI4KB deserves special attention. This protein is critical for the maintenance of the Golgi and

trans-Golgi phosphatidylinositol-4-phosphate (PI4) pools. PI4KB regulates Golgi

disintegration/reorganization during mitosis and is involved in Golgi-to-plasma membrane trafficking (De

Matteis *et al*, 2013). The phosphoproteome reveals that PI4KB is dephosphorylated within 2 hours after

progesterone stimulation, on a PKA consensus phosphorylation site conserved in vertebrates. The

phosphorylation of this site by PKA is known to control the interaction of PI4KB with Armadillo-like helical

domain-containing protein 3 (ARMH3), an interaction important for the Golgi membrane integrity

(McPhail *et al*, 2020; Isobe *et al*, 2017; Blomen *et al*, 2015). PI4KB is also regulated by its interaction with

ACBD3, an AKAP-like scaffold platform in Golgi, which directly binds the R regulatory subunit of PKA and

regulates the traffic between Golgi and endoplasmic reticulum in a PKA-depending manner (Jia *et al*, 2023;

Klima *et al*, 2016; Sasaki *et al*, 2012). The phosphoproteome reveals that ACBD3 is phosphorylated during

meiotic maturation at the time of NEBD (Class II). PI4KB is therefore at the crossroad between PKA and

intra-membrane endoplasmic reticulum-Golgi-plasma membrane trafficking. Since these are key events

involved in meiosis resumption, PI4KB is a particularly attractive candidate as a PKA substrate for future

functional studies of membrane relocalization.

Proteins involved in the actin cytoskeleton are also represented in Class I phosphosites (Figure

3B). Their early post-translational modifications could regulate the reorganization of the actin

cytoskeleton that is known to accompany the modification of the secretory/endocytosis pathways (Gard,

1999). Among them, ITPRID2/KRAP tethers IP_3 receptors, which are located in the membrane of the

endoplasmic reticulum, to the actin under the plasma membrane, to mediate Ca^{2+} signalling (Thillaiappan

et al, 2021). During meiotic maturation, the endoplasmic reticulum, which is the major Ca^{2+} store, is

enriched in the cortex of the oocyte (Campanella *et al*, 1984; Charbonneau & Grey, 1984; Terasaki *et al*,

2001). This remodeling brings the Ca^{2+} source close to its primary targets at fertilization, when Ca^{2+} release

from endoplasmic reticulum activates the oocyte and blocks polyspermy. The proteins highlighted above

(Figure 3B) could participate to this critical reorganization of the endoplasmic reticulum.

Protein translation and accumulation orchestrate meiotic divisions

Two waves of translation take place in the oocytes: the first depends on PKA inactivation. It occurs

upstream and independently of Cdk1 activity and is required for Cdk1 activation. The second translation

wave takes place downstream Cdk1 activation (Santoni *et al*, 2024). Hence, in contrast to mitosis, a period

when protein synthesis is repressed (Ross, 1997), translation is activated during meiotic maturation,

indicating the existence of meiosis-specific controls of the process. However, the regulation of the two

waves of protein translation and the identity of the newly translated proteins had not been unraveled.

Interestingly, protein translation components are extensively regulated at the level of phosphorylation as

demonstrated by the enrichment of the proteins regulating these processes among 3 of the 5 phospho-

peptide classes (Figure 4A).

RBPs and translational control. Interestingly, several proteins implicated in the control of translation bear

phosphosites belonging to Class I, as eIF4ENIF1/4E-T, PATL1 and TACC3/Maskin (Figures 3B and 4B).

eIF4ENIF1/4E-T is required for eIF4e1b localization to P-bodies where mRNAs are stored in a dormant

state in zebrafish oocytes (Lorenzo-Orts *et al*, 2023). Both 4E-T and eIF4e1b are extensively

phosphorylated on multiple residues during meiotic divisions, suggesting a highly dynamic regulation of

P-bodies during this process (Figure 4B). Many RBPs known to control translation in oocytes are also

regulated at the phosphorylation level, including Pum proteins (Nakahata *et al*, 2003; Ota *et al*, 2011;

Padmanabhan, 2006), Zar proteins (Charlesworth *et al*, 2012; Yamamoto *et al*, 2013; Rong *et al*, 2019;

Heim *et al*, 2022) and PATL proteins (Christou-Kent *et al*, 2018; Zhang *et al*, 2023; Marnef *et al*, 2010).

PATL1 is a RNA-binding protein required for cytoplasmic mRNA P-body assembly in oocytes (Marnef *et al*,

2010). PATL1 and PATL2 have mutually exclusive expression patterns in *Xenopus* oocytes: PATL2 is

degraded, as confirmed by our proteomic data (Figure 2B,D, Figure 2-figure supplement 3A-B), while

PATL1 accumulates during meiotic maturation (Marnef *et al*, 2010) or is stable (Figure 2B, Figure 2-figure

supplement 3B). Although the role of PATL2 and the regulation of its stability by phosphorylation have

been well documented in the oocyte (Christou-Kent *et al*, 2018; Zhang *et al*, 2023), little is known about

the role of PATL1 during meiosis. Both PATL1 and 2 inhibit translation when tethered to mRNA and

assemble a complex that includes CPEB1, Xp54/DDX6, Rap55B/LSM14b (Marnef *et al*, 2010) (Figure 4B).

The early dephosphorylation of PATL1 detected in the phosphoproteome could modulate this inhibitory complex during early events of meiotic maturation, while the extensive phosphorylation of the other components of the complex could control its activity later during meiotic divisions (Figure 4B). Another component of the repressive complex is TACC3/Maskin. It interacts with CPEB1, although this interaction, and thus its role in regulation of translation, could not be reproduced in other studies (Minshall *et al*, 2007; Duran-Arqué *et al*, 2022). Importantly, besides its function in translation (Barnard *et al*, 2005; Groisman *et al*, 2002), TACC3/Maskin also regulates the centrosome-mediated microtubule nucleation through γ-TuRC (Peset *et al*, 2005). TACC3/Maskin is found widely regulated during meiotic divisions in the phosphoproteome (Figure 4B). Eight residues in TACC3/Maskin, of which only two are conserved in human Maskin (214/228 and 298/317 in human/*Xenopus*), exhibit a complex profile of phosphorylation (Figure 4B). Two sites identified in the phosphoproteome, S266 and S298, were previously found to be phosphorylated in egg extracts, regulating the function of TACC3/Maskin in the control of translation (Barnard *et al*, 2005). S626 was also reported to be phosphorylated in prophase oocytes and during oocyte meiotic maturation, although there is some controversy about the kinase (either PKA or Aurora-A) and the role of this phosphorylation in either the control of translation or centrosome attachment (Barnard *et al*, 2005; Pascreau *et al*, 2005). Interestingly, in our studies S240 is phosphorylated in the prophase oocyte and dephosphorylated early in response to progesterone (Class I) (Figure 4B). Since the sequence surrounding S240 does not correspond to a PKA consensus motif, it is hard to establish the biological significance; nevertheless, such an early dephosphorylation deserves further attention.

The control of translation initiation. Translation regulation might not only depend on the expression and post-translational regulation of the RBPs but could also involve the regulation of the core translation initiation machinery, since we find that many of its components are phosphorylated (Figure 4C). Indeed, eIF4b, an activator of the eIF4a helicase that facilitates ribosome scanning (Jackson *et al*, 2010), eIF2b/eIF2s2, a component of the molecular machinery recruitment on the met-tRNA (Jackson *et al*, 2010), and eIF4g, involved in the recognition of the mRNA 5'Cap (Jackson *et al*, 2010), are among the proteins bearing sites whose phosphorylation peaks in MII (Figure 4-figure supplement 1). These phosphorylation patterns correlate with the second wave of activation of translation that begins under the control of Cdk1 activity in MI and continues progressively through MII (Meneau *et al*, 2020; Santoni *et al*, 2024).

The control of ubiquitin ligases. The levels of specific proteins are also regulated by proteolysis at each step of meiotic maturation. Targeted regulation allows for the accumulation of key proteins independently of any general increase in their translation, such as for Cyclin B1 (Santoni *et al*, 2024), or

501 the well-studied degradation of proteins, such as Cyclin B2, securin or CPEB1 (Taieb *et al*, 2001;

502 Wassmann, 2022; Setoyama *et al*, 2007). Interestingly, proteins controlling polyubiquitination display

503 phosphor-peptides enriched in Class II, strengthening the view that a major regulation of protein turnover

504 takes place at NEBD in order to orchestrate meiotic divisions (Figures 3 and 5A). APC is the key E3 ubiquitin

505 ligase that promotes metaphase-anaphase transition. Although the phosphorylation status of some

506 substrates determines their recognition by APC and influences the precise timing of their degradation,

507 APC activity is also regulated by the phosphorylation of its core subunits (Bansal & Tiwari, 2019) (Figure

508 5B).

509  Another important ubiquitination system that regulates stability of proteins during mitosis and

510 meiosis is the SCF complex (Kinterová *et al*, 2022). SCF is composed of three main components: Cul1, a

511 scaffold protein; Skp1, which interacts with specific F-box proteins that are involved in the substrate

512 recognition; and Rbx1, which interacts with the E2-ubiquitin ligases (Kinterová *et al*, 2022) (Figure 5C). SCF

513 ligases play important roles during oocyte meiotic maturation, especially the $SCF^{\beta TrCP}$ complex. Indeed,

514 $SCF^{\beta TrCP}$ mediates the degradation of multiple cell cycle regulators as Emi1, Emi2/Erp1, CPEB1 and BTG4,

515 whose degradation is required for progression through MI and MII in mouse and *Xenopus* oocytes

516 (Kinterová *et al*, 2022). Similar functions played by such protein degradations occur in mitosis, as Emi1

517 degradation that releases APC inhibition, then inducing Cyclin B destruction and mitotic exit (Reimann *et*

518 *al*, 2001).

519  Many F-Box proteins are also expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes, but they do not display high

520 phosphorylation dynamics. An exception is Lmo7/Fbxo20, which is degraded during meiosis, and is

521 dynamically phosphorylated (Figure 5C). Interestingly, Lmo7 overexpression causes defects at the spindle

522 assembly checkpoint, affecting the progression through mitotic divisions (Tzeng *et al*, 2018).

523  Additionally, many E2 enzymes were identified in our datasets as highly regulated at the

524 translational/accumulation and post-translational levels during meiotic maturation (Figure 5C). This layer

525 of regulation of protein ubiquitination remains understudied. Interestingly, an E2/E3 hybrid ubiquitin-

526 protein ligase, UBE2O, UBE4B (also known as UBOX3 or E4) and FAF2 (or Ubxn3B/UBXD8) display

527 phosphorylation sites belonging to Class I (Figures 3B and 5C). FAF2 is involved in stress granule clearance

528 (Gwon *et al*, 2021). UBE2O is also known to be involved in the drastic proteome remodeling during

529 erythroid differentiation (Nguyen *et al*, 2017), as well as quality control factor for orphans of multiprotein

530 complexes (Yanagitani *et al*, 2017). Ribosomal proteins are known substrates of UBE2O which leads to

531 their degradation (Nguyen *et al*, 2017). Whether UBE2O is involved in the downregulation of ribosome

532 biogenesis that occurs during meiotic maturation (Hyman & Wormington, 1988), and in the decrease of

Rpl26 (Figure 2-figure supplement 4A), is an interesting question. The dephosphorylation of UBE2O,

UBE4B and FAF2 could also be involved in the accumulation of Cyclin B1, which was recently shown to

occur independently of any increase in translation but to result from protein stabilization (Santoni *et al*,

2024).

Another important regulator of the SCF system, DCUN1D5, is found regulated in our

phosphoproteome. DCUN1D5 catalyzes the neddylation of all cullins, which is necessary for the activation

of cullin-RING E3 ubiquitin ligases (Keuss *et al*, 2016). DCUN1D5 is dephosphorylated at S9, a PKA

consensus site, and phosphorylated starting NEBD at S10 and S12 (Figure 5C). These phosphorylations

could control DCUN1D5 ability to activate SCF, especially since the inhibition of neddylation causes a

meiotic arrest in MI in mouse oocytes (Yang *et al*, 2019). Altogether, our dataset provides attractive

candidates to be involved in the regulation of both translation and protein stability that occur during

meiotic maturation.

Activation of Cdk1 occurs through an intricate network of phosphorylation of Cdk1 regulators

The activation of Cdk1 during oocyte maturation relies on an intricate network of feedforward and

feedback phosphorylation pathways mediated by kinases and phosphatases (Figure 1). Indeed,

components of the cell division machinery are highly enriched among Class II, III, IV and V (Figure 6A).

Some of the phosphorylation sites implicated in cell division control have been identified previously

through detailed studies using site-specific mutagenesis and phospho-specific antibodies. Our

phosphoproteomic analysis of oocyte maturation provides new regulatory elements (Figure 6B). An

important regulator of the Cdk1 auto-amplification loop is the kinase Plk1 that contributes to the

phosphorylation of the two direct Cdk1 regulators, Cdc25 and Myt1. Plk1 is activated by Aurora-A, a kinase

itself under the indirect control of Cdk1 in *Xenopus* oocyte (Maton *et al*, 2003), through the

phosphorylation of T210 (T201 in *Xenopus*)(Macůrek *et al*, 2008), a residue localized in the activation T-

loop of the kinase domain. We show here that Plk1 phosphorylation at T210 increases in MI and is then

constant throughout meiotic maturation (Class II) (Figure 6B and EV2A). This is consistent with the

function of Plk1, which phosphorylates multiple proteins required for the mechanics of division, and which

must logically be kept active throughout both meiotic divisions (Hansen *et al*, 2006; Solc *et al*, 2015).

Interestingly, the phosphoproteome also detects additional phosphorylation sites of Plk1, S326 (S335 in

human) and S340 (not conserved in human), which were previously found to be upregulated in response

to okadaic acid (Wind *et al*, 2002), an inhibitor of PP2A that strongly induces M-phase. These two residues

are located between the two functional domains of Plk1, the kinase domain and the Polo-box domain

(Cheng, 2003). This suggests that the phosphorylation of other critical residues than T210 of Plk1 could be essential for its catalytic activation. Aurora-A kinase is activated during meiotic maturation downstream Cdk1 (Maton *et al*, 2003; Castro *et al*, 2003; Maton *et al*, 2005). While our phosphoproteome does not detect Aurora-A autophosphorylation at T288 (T295 in *Xenopus*), it registers the extensive phosphorylation of Bora, an activator of Aurora-A involved in Plk1 activation (Thomas *et al*, 2016) (Figure 6B-figure supplement 1B). Several phosphorylation sites of Bora have been reported to be important for its function as an Aurora-A activator: S41/38, S112/110, S137/135 and S252/S252 (human/*Xenopus*) (Thomas *et al*, 2016; Vigneron *et al*, 2018; Tavernier *et al*, 2015, 2021). Among these sites, S110 phosphorylation of Bora by Cdk1-Cyclin A is critical for mitotic entry in *Xenopus* egg extracts (Vigneron *et al*, 2018; Tavernier *et al*, 2015, 2021). Our phosphoproteome reveals that Bora belongs to Class II, being phosphorylated starting NEBD, but surprisingly on distinct sites that were never reported in the literature: S191/189, T294/287, S552/549, S-/521, T12/9 and T15/12 (human/*Xenopus*), with the exception of S278/285. In contrast to the situation in mitosis, Cyclin A is very weakly expressed in the prophase oocyte and accumulates during meiotic maturation (Kobayashi *et al*, 1991). Our proteome dataset reveals that Cyclin A accumulates after MI. Hence, the phosphorylation of Bora at MI cannot be catalyzed by Cdk1-Cyclin A in the *Xenopus* oocyte. Cdk1-Cyclin B is probably involved in these phosphorylations that take place concomitantly with its activity and at Cdk1 phosphorylation consensus sites for 5 of the 7 phosphosites (Figure 6B-figure supplement 1B). Thus, this analysis reveals that Bora activation correlates with its phosphorylation at residues not previously identified in earlier studies of the oocyte. We also detect additional phosphorylation events on other players of the Cdk1 amplification loop, as Cdc25 and Gwl/MASTL (Figure 6B-figure supplement 1C-D), whose extensive phosphorylation during M-phase is usually detected by a large electrophoretic shift (Dupré *et al*, 2014).

Phosphoregulation of the bimodal activity of Cdk1 during MI-MII transition

In *Xenopus* oocytes, Cdk1 is not fully inactivated at anaphase I and during extrusion of the 1st polar body. Indeed, the low Cdk1 activity that persists during the MI-MII transition is essential to avoid the reformation of a nucleus, chromosome decondensation and DNA replication (Huchon *et al*, 1993; Thibier *et al*, 1997). This short period is followed by a further increase of Cdk1 activity, due to a sustained synthesis of B-cyclins; the increased Cdk1 activity allows the formation of the MII spindle (Gerhart *et al*, 1984) (Figure 1). Although this bimodal subtle regulation of Cdk1 activity is essential for the success of meiosis, *i.e*. linking two successive divisions without intervening DNA replication, it has never been quantified precisely. Cdk1 activity can be measured by looking at the phosphorylation of one of its direct substrates,

Cdc27, a core APC component, at S428 (S426 in human)(Patra & Dunphy, 1998). Since PP2A, the

phosphatase responsible for dephosphorylating Cdc27, is inactive during the MI-MII transition, the

phosphorylation levels of Cdc27 can be directly attributed to Cdk1 activity during this period (Deák *et al*,

2003; Torres *et al*, 2010; Lemonnier *et al*, 2021; Labbé *et al*, 2021). Our precise quantification of the

phospho-occupancy of this site shows that its phosphorylation is virtually absent in prophase, increases

by 40% in MI, decreases during the MI-MII transition to 20%, then increases again in MII by 60% (Figure

6-figure supplement 1E). Three other residues of Cdc27, T205/207, S435/437 and S438/440

(human/*Xenopus*), also known to be phosphorylated at M-phase (Kraft, 2003), follow the same bimodal

pattern than S428. The subsequent increase in Cdk1 activity essential for MII entry requires that the kinase

escapes inhibitory phosphorylations by Myt1 and Wee2. Both Myt1 and Wee2 are reported to be inhibited

by phosphorylations, although the sites responsible for this inhibition are not precisely defined. In

Xenopus, Wee2 is not expressed in prophase oocytes and accumulates after NEBD (Nakajo *et al*, 2000;

Charlesworth *et al*, 2012) (Figure 1). Our analysis reveals that newly synthesized Wee2 is immediately

phosphorylated at 4 sites (Classes II and IV), one of them being not conserved in human, and none of them

corresponding to the proposed inhibitory S53 and S123 sites (Figure 6A-B-figure supplement 1F). Hence,

these data provide exciting new avenues of research to discover unexpected new regulations of old

players in Cdk1 activation.

The Mos/MAPK pathway activation

Mos plays a well-known role at the origin of a critical pathway controlling meiotic maturation (Yew *et al*,

1992; Furuno *et al*, 1994). It phosphorylates Mek1/2, which in turn phosphorylates Erk1/2 (also known as

MAPK) which leads to Rsk1/2 activation (Figure 6B). These play multiple essential roles, such as preventing

the reformation of a replicating nucleus between MI and MII (Dupre *et al*, 2002), enabling arrest in MII

(Sagata *et al*, 1989b), but also participating in Cdk1 activation (Sagata *et al*, 1989a) and the functioning of

meiotic spindles (Araki *et al*, 1996; Choi *et al*, 1996; Bodart *et al*, 2005). The phosphoproteome detects

the activation of the Mos-MAPK module, with the phosphorylation of Erk2 on T185 and Y187 (T188 and

Y190 in *Xenopus*) by MEK1/2 (Payne *et al*, 1991), an event that begins in MI (Figure 6B-figure supplement

2A). Interestingly, additional phosphorylation sites are identified in MEK1 and Rsk1/2, the latter being

hyperphosphorylated during meiosis as detected by a large electrophoretic shift (Bhatt & Ferrell, 2000)

(Figure 6B-figure supplement 2B-E). Rsk1 auto-phosphorylation at S381 (S380 in human) is required for

its activity (Vik & Ryder, 1997). Our phosphoproteome measures a highly-confident phospho-occupancy

for this site demonstrating the switch-like activation of the MAPK pathway at NEBD, followed by the

maintenance of a constant level of its activity (Figure 6B-figure supplement 2F). The timing of activation

of the Mos-MAPK cascade has been controversial, one hypothesis being that it is activated before Cdk1

and participates in the activation of this kinase (Sagata *et al*, 1988; Gavin *et al*, 1999), while another is that

it is under the control of the starter Cdk1 activity and is only involved in the autoamplification loop

(Santoni *et al*, 2024; Dupre *et al*, 2002; Fisher *et al*, 1999). The phosphoproteomic data clearly support the

latter.

Phosphorylation of key components of the nuclear envelope during breakdown

As a result of the massive activation of kinase activities under the control of Cdk1, hundreds of proteins

are phosphorylated and orchestrate the structural events choreographing the mechanics of meiotic

divisions. The first of these is the massive vesiculation of the nuclear envelope surrounding the enormous

oocyte nucleus. During mitosis, nuclear pore proteins are extensively phosphorylated by Cdk1-Cyclin B,

Plk1 and Nek6/7 to promote the breakdown of the nuclear envelope (Kutay *et al*, 2021). The *Xenopus*

oocyte has the unusual feature of having an enormous nucleus (475 μm in diameter), and therefore a

considerable surface area of the nuclear envelope (0.96 mm^2), as well as large stocks of annulate lamellae

in the cytoplasm. Annulate lamellae are cytoplasmic stack cisternae of nuclear envelope perforated with

nuclear pores, 10 times more abundant than in the nucleus in the *Xenopus* oocyte, but devoid of lamins

(Bement & Capco, 1990; Miller & Forbes, 2000; Cordes *et al*, 1995). Their surface area also far exceeds

that of the nuclear envelope surrounding the nucleus (Cordes *et al*, 1995). This correlates with the high

protein concentrations of the nuclear pore proteins (0.1 to 0.7 μM) that we have measured (Figure 7A).

Annulate lamellae play a critical role as a reservoir for the formation of the 4000 of nuclei that form during

the embryonic cell divisions leading up to the mid-blastula transition and the onset of transcription (Kessel

et al, 1986; De Magistris & Antonin, 2018; Feldherr, 1974). During meiotic maturation, NEBD and

vesiculation of annulate lamellae occur at the same time, in a progressive spatial manner, starting from

the vegetal pole. Importantly, the nucleus and annulate lamellae do not re-form between the two meiotic

divisions, reducing the risk that an S-phase can take place between MI and MII (Bement & Capco, 1990).

A gene ontology analysis of our phosphoproteome highlights that the phosphorylation of nuclear pore

components is enriched in Classes II, III and IV, displaying the highest level of enrichment in Class III, hence

characteristic of MI (Figure 7B). The nucleoporin Nup53 (also called Nup35) is a component of the soluble

core region of the nuclear pore complex that is extensively phosphorylated in mitosis by Cdk1 and Plk1

(Linder *et al*, 2017). Phosphomimetic mutations of all Cdk1 and Plk1 sites in Nup53 slow down the

reformation of nuclear pores in interphase and mutation to phospho-null amino acids impairs the nuclear

breakdown during meiosis (Linder *et al*, 2017). Our phosphoproteome reveals that Nup53

phosphorylation is more dynamic than previously believed (Figure 7C). Indeed, 6 phospho-peptides are

found to peak in MI (Class III), 9 phospho-peptides are phosphorylated both in MI and MII (Class II), and 2

phospho-peptides continuously increase in phosphorylation during meiotic maturation (Class IV) (Figure

7C). We were able to calculate the phospho-occupancy of the S59 (S66 in human), showing that it

increases from 30% in prophase to 90% in MI oocytes and stays constant until MII (Class II) (Figure 7D).

Several other transmembrane nucleoporins, notably NDC1 and POM121C, undergo dramatic increase of

phosphorylation at transition to MI. Altogether, these observations indicate that dissociation of the

nuclear envelope and the annulate lamellae occurring in MI might require either a specific set of

phosphorylations and/or a general level of phosphorylation that is higher than the level of

phosphorylation required to maintain the nucleus and the annulate lamellae dissociated during the MI-

MII transition through MII.

The regulation of centrosomal proteins during oocyte maturation

An intriguing feature of oocytes in most, if not all, metazoan species is the elimination of their centrioles.

This allows the sperm to contribute its centriole and thereby initiates the division cycle and the cell cycle.

There is longstanding literature that proves that the oocyte or egg has retained its ability to generate

centrioles. However, in nature, the female centrioles are lost and the sperm centriole is the main

contributor. In *Xenopus*, oocytes entering prophase I contain a typical centrosome, including a pair of

centrioles and pericentriolar material (PCM) containing γ-tubulin and pericentrin. Centrioles disappear at

the end of the pachytene stage of prophase I and PCM disperses in multiple foci in the cytoplasm that are

no longer functional as microtubule nucleation sites (Gard *et al*, 1995). At fertilization, the male gamete

delivers two centrioles but does not provide the PCM (Delattre & Gönczy, 2004). Therefore, in most

species (with the exception of rodents), the complete centrosome of the one-cell stage embryo is a bi-

parental inheritance, reconstituted from paternal centrioles and maternal PCM (Delattre & Gönczy, 2004).

In *Xenopus*, oocytes store enough quiescent centrosomal building blocks for duplicating and assembling

1000 to 2000 centrosomes (Gard *et al*, 1990). This implies that oocytes should comprise an enormous

reserve of centrosomal proteins, *i.e.* centriolar and PCM proteins, that sustain the reconstitution of a

functional centrosome at fertilization and its subsequent rounds of duplication in the early embryo.

Centriolar proteins. The centriole is formed by a polarized cylinder of microtubule triplets,

decorated along the proximal to distal axis with several appendages that define the three main regions of

the organelle: the proximal part, the central core, and the distal region (LeGuennec *et al*, 2021). In

agreement with a published RNA-seq and proteome of *Xenopus* eggs (Session *et al*, 2016; Wühr *et al*,

2014), our proteome reveals that most of the centriolar proteins are expressed in the oocyte (Table 1).

The components of the proximal part, as SAS-6 and CPAP/CENPJ, and of the central core, as POC1B, POC5

and Centrin 1, are either constant or accumulate during meiotic maturation (Table 1). In contrast, proteins

of distal and subdistal appendages are present at lower concentration, either constant or decreasing

during meiotic maturation (Table 1). Indeed, the appendages are critical for the docking of mature

centrioles at the plasma membrane and ciliogenesis (Tanos *et al*, 2013), a process that is not functional in

the oocyte and during the early embryonic divisions (Drysdale & Elinson, 1992).

Besides the basic building blocks forming the centriole, the oocyte is expected to provide the

machinery for its duplication, the first cycle occurring immediately after fertilization. The key regulators

of centriole duplication, including Plk4, SAS-6 and STIL, are generally expressed at very low levels (Bauer

et al, 2016). While Plk4 is expressed at the mRNA level in oocytes but escaped our proteomic detection,

SAS-6 and STIL are expressed at a constant level during meiotic maturation (Table 1). The estimated

concentrations of both proteins are in agreement with the previous predictions, that cartwheels comprise

one molecule of STIL for every SAS-6 dimer (Bauer *et al*, 2016). Other important regulators of centriole

duplication, such as CEP192, CEP152, CEP63, RTTN, CEP110/CCP110, CEP97 and CEP76 were also

detected, and are either constant or accumulate during meiotic divisions (Table 1). Interestingly, our

phosphoproteome reveals that several of these proteins are phosphorylated during meiotic maturation.

STIL is phosphorylated at S554, which is located in a Cdk1 phosphorylation consensus (Appendix Figure

S5A), an interesting observation since phosphorylation of STIL by Cdk1-Cyclin reduces the efficiency of

daughter centriole assembly. This phosphorylation provides an explanation why centrioles cannot

duplicate during M-phase (Zitouni *et al*, 2016; Steinacker *et al*, 2022). A massive CEP97 phosphorylation

occurs at MI at 8 distinct sites, only 3 of them lying within a Cdk1 consensus motif (Appendix Figure S5B).

Remarkably, one of the phosphosites of CEP97, S633, has been recently shown to be phosphorylated by

the kinase Dyrk1a in multiciliated cells of *Xenopus* embryos (Lee *et al*, 2022); it is required for centriole

duplication. Therefore, although centrioles are not assembled, all centriolar proteins are expressed in the

full-grown oocyte and these components serve as a stock for the biogenesis of the centrioles of the

embryo. Our results suggest that specific phosphorylations of proteins regulating centriole assembly could

prevent the *de novo* establishment of centrioles in the oocyte.

PCM proteins. The core element of the PCM is the γ-tubulin ring complex (γ-TuRC) which is the

basic element for nucleation of microtubules from microtubule-organizing centers (MTOCs) (Oakley &

Oakley, 1989). It includes γ-tubulin that is combined with other proteins known as GCP2/tubgcp2 to

GCP6/tubgcp6. Some PCM proteins or regulators of PCM assembly have been described in functional
studies to be present in the oocyte and then recruited to the zygotic centrosome as maternal components.
These include γ-tubulin (Stearns & Kirschner, 1994; Gard, 1994; Félix *et al*, 1994), pericentrin (Dictenberg
et al, 1998), Nek2B (Fry *et al*, 2000; Uto, 2000), SSX2IP (Bärenz *et al*, 2013),TPX2, PRC1, Kif4A, Eg5/Kif11,
CLASP1/Xorbit and Kif22/Xkid, CEP152 (Hatch *et al*, 2010), NEDD1 (Liu & Wiese, 2008), Maskin/TACC3
(Stebbins-Boaz *et al*, 1999; Peset *et al*, 2005), XMAP215/CKAP5 (Popov *et al*, 2002; Kinoshita *et al*, 2002)
and Nercc1/NEK9 (Roig *et al*, 2005).

Most of the PCM proteins were detected in our proteomic dataset and either accumulate or stay
constant during meiotic divisions (Table 1). Our dataset highlights that γ-tubulin accumulates during
meiotic divisions at the time the oocytes enter MII (Table 1-table supplement 1C). GCP2 and 4 are
expressed at a lower level than γ-tubulin (Table 1), in agreement with the expected stoichiometry of GCPs-
γ-tubulin in the γ-TuRC (Sulimenko *et al*, 2022). The phosphorylation of γ-TuRC components is known to
affect the stability and the activation of the complex (Sulimenko *et al*, 2022). We detected the
phosphorylation of GCP3 at S814 (Class IV) and GCP6 at S1173 (Class III) (Table 1-table supplement 1D).
This second phosphosite is well conserved in the human protein and targeted by Plk4, which regulates
centriole duplication (Bahtz *et al*, 2012). These results indicate that the oocyte, despite the absence of
centrioles, prepares a functional centrosomal machinery by accumulating and/or phosphorylating some
of the PCM proteins. Apart of the γ-TuRC complex, we found that 10 other PCM proteins are
phosphorylated during meiotic maturation (CEP192, SSX2IP, CEP41, TACC3/Maskin, Nucleophosmin,
Katanin, Kif11, Kif15/Eg5, Numa and Dynein). CEP192 is a coiled-coil scaffolding protein that recruits γ-
TuRC, Aurora-A and Plk1 to the centrosome for its maturation. Our phosphoproteome reveals that
CEP192, a Class II protein, is phosphorylated at 7 sites between prophase and MI, 5 of them corresponding
to Cdk1 phosphorylation sites (Table 1-table supplement 1E). Plk1 is recruited to its many different
locations in the cell through its Polo-Box-Domain (PBD), which binds to phosphorylated S-S/T(p) motifs
(Elia *et al*, 2003a, 2003b; Lee *et al*, 1998; Reynolds & Ohkura, 2003). Two of the CEP192 sites identified in
our phosphoproteome, S991 and S1227, correspond to such motifs. Therefore, by attracting Plk1, CEP192
phosphorylation could prepare the reconstitution of a functional centrosome at fertilization.
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Assembly of microtubule spindles and microtubule dynamics
Xenopus prophase oocytes are inefficient in their ability to support microtubule polymerization (Jessus *et*
al, 1984; Gard & Kirschner, 1987; Heidemann & Kirschner, 1975), although microtubules are formed at
the cortical and nuclear envelope level, where γ-tubulin foci are also localized (Gard, 1994; Jessus *et al*,

1988). The ability to assemble microtubule asters is acquired at the time of NEBD, when a giant disk-
shaped MTOC generates a large microtubular monoaster at the basal region of the disintegrating nucleus
(Huchon *et al*, 1981; Gard, 1994). Therefore, MTOC and microtubule-associated proteins (MAPs) must be
finely regulated by post-translational modifications at time of NEBD. The transient microtubule monoaster
transports the meiotic chromosomes to the animal cortex, where the first meiotic spindle is assembled
(Huchon *et al*, 1981; Gard, 1992). Due to the absence of centrioles, meiotic spindles are barrel-shaped
and are formed by centrosome-independent microtubule nucleation originating from the chromosomes
and involving chromatin and the Ran GTPase (Gruss & Vernos, 2004), much like spindles of vascular plant
cells. Moreover, the two successive spindles are differentially regulated. The MI spindle is a transient and
dynamic structure while the MII spindle is stable for hours, anchored to the plasma membrane until
fertilization (Gard, 1992). Therefore, it is possible that MAPs are specifically and differentially regulated
at MI and MII (Classes III and V). Finally, a major change in microtubule assembly occurs during the
transition from meiosis to embryonic mitosis. The assembly of the first embryonic spindle integrates the
meiotic chromosome-dependent pathway with the newly formed centrosomes (Cavazza *et al*, 2016).
Thereafter, subsequent embryonic spindles depend solely on the microtubule nucleating activity of the
centrosomes (Kirschner, 1986). All these critical transitions in the way of assembling a microtubular
spindle depend on the proteins stored in the oocyte.

Many regulators of the microtubular spindle are highly regulated during meiotic divisions, both at
level of their accumulation (Figure 2B-C) and by post-translation modifications (Figure 8). At least 5
microtubule regulatory proteins undergo specific patterns of phosphorylation that deserve attention
(Figure 8). Katanin (KATNB1), which is responsible for the majority of M-phase severing activity in *Xenopus*
eggs and is activated by Cdk1 (McNally & Thomas, 1998), displays a bi-modal pattern of phosphorylation,
increasing at the time of formation of the monoaster-MTOC and MI spindle, decreasing during MI-MII
transition and increasing again at MII (Figure 8). Kif11/Eg5 phosphorylation occurs at T936 and T937
starting NEBD (Figure 8). Both phosphosites were reported in a broad range of models, and the second
site was shown to be phosphorylated by Cdk1 (Blangy *et al*, 1995; Cahu *et al*, 2008; Giet *et al*, 1999) (Figure
8). Kif11/Eg5 controls the relative stability of bipolar versus monopolar organization of spindles in *Xenopus*
egg extracts (Mitchison *et al*, 2005) but also centrosome disjunction and/or separation. Hence, Kif11 is a
good candidate to be an important player regulating the original changes in microtubule dynamics and
organization of the two successive spindles. Kif15, also known as XKlp2, a plus end-directed kinesin protein
required for centrosome separation and maintenance of spindle bipolarity in *Xenopus* egg extracts (Boleti
et al, 1996), is phosphorylated at S681 and S692 during meiotic maturation. S681 is rather phosphorylated

at MI while S692 is specific of MII (Figure 8), suggesting a potential distinct regulation of Kif15 on

microtubule dynamics at MI and MII. In contrast to Kif11/Eg5 and Kif15, some kinesins from the kinesin-

14 family, such as Kifc1 whose protein level increases during meiotic divisions (Figure 2C), as well as

dyneins, are motor proteins that move to microtubules in the opposite direction to kinesins. Among the

dynein family, the two paralog genes dynein light intermediate chain (DynC1LI1 and DynC1LI2) play

important roles in mitosis, including positioning the spindle and focusing the MTs into poles. Our

phosphoproteome reveals multiple phosphorylations of these proteins, starting in MI and remaining

constant or progressively increasing until MII, as for S197 of DynC1LI1 (S207 in human) (Figure 8). This

agrees with previous data showing that S197 is phosphorylated by Cdk1 (Dell *et al*, 2000; Addinall *et al*,

2001) and that DynC1LI becomes hyperphosphorylated at the time of NEBD and remains

hyperphosphorylated throughout the rest of meiosis (Huang *et al*, 1999). Additionally, our

phosphoproteome reveals that 3 sites (495, 498 and 501) are phosphorylated around NEBD and get

dephosphorylated after MI (Class III), hence being correlated with the 1st meiotic division and not the 2nd

one, while 6 other sites (197,396, 409,446, 452, and 467) are phosphorylated both in MI and MII (Class II)

(Figure 8). Dynein is required for organization of the original microtubule/MTOC array that is organized at

NEBD, together with XMAP215, XKCM1 and Numa (Becker *et al*, 2003). The formation of this oocyte

original monoaster/MTOC could involve the dynein phosphorylations that transiently take place precisely

at this period.

Strikingly, MI and MII spindles segregate chromosomes and chromatids in a very different way. In

MI, the homologous chromosomes are segregated, whereas in MII the sister chromatids are displaced in

the daughter cells, due to a specific organization of kinetochores and regulation of cohesins. In MI, arm

cohesins are phosphorylated and degraded whereas centromeric cohesins are protected from cleavage

by Sugoshin (Sgo1)-PP2A. This allows the separation of chromosomes, but chromatids are still attached

together. In MII, centromeric cohesins are fully degraded, allowing the segregation of sister chromatids,

as during mitosis (Wassmann, 2022). How a fraction of cohesins is protected from cleavage in MI but not

in MII is still not entirely clear since the phosphorylation of cohesins and their partners, which are not very

abundant proteins, is difficult to be detected with conventional shotgun phosphoproteomics. Notably,

our phosphoproteomic studies highlight new sites differentially phosphorylated between MI and MII

within these proteins. Sgo1 and two components of the cohesin complex, Pds5b and Wapl, are

increasingly phosphorylated during meiotic divisions (Class IV) (Table 1-table supplement 1E).

Noteworthy, S1069 of Wapl is a putative Plk1 site (Grosstessner-Hain *et al*, 2011; Kettenbach *et al*, 2011).

By highlighting new sites differentially phosphorylated between MI and MII, our phosphoproteomic

studies provide clues to elucidate the still unknown mechanisms of the meiotic mechanism of cohesion

protection-deprotection.

Evolutional conservation of the phospho-proteome between *Xenopus* and mouse

We compared our phosphoproteome to a dataset obtained during meiotic divisions in mouse oocytes

(Sun *et al*, 2024). We identified 408 phosphorylation sites present in both datasets (see Methods)

(Appendix 7). These sites correspond to 320 *Xenopus* proteins and 277 mouse proteins. Note that when

multiple mouse proteins share the same phospho-peptide sequence, they are grouped together in the

mouse dataset. However, alignment with *Xenopus* data allows us to resolve which specific mouse protein

is phosphorylated, thereby enriching the mouse dataset by leveraging information from *Xenopus*

measurements. We then assessed whether the changes in phosphorylation between prophase and

metaphase II were consistent between *Xenopus* and mouse meiotic maturation (Figure 9A). Interestingly,

the phosphorylation dynamics were significantly correlated between the two datasets (Pearson

coefficient: 0.39, p < 0.0001) (Figure 9A). Furthermore, the changes in phosphorylation observed in

Xenopus oocytes (range of the Log_2 Fold Change (MII/Pro): -4.27 and 7.03) were substantially greater than

those measured in the mouse dataset (range of the Log_2 Fold Change(MII/Pro): -2.55 and 3.72), likely

reflecting the higher dynamic range achieved by our workflow. Among the key phosphorylation events

detected in both datasets are those involved in the activation of Cdk1 and the Mos/MAPK pathway.

Notably, phosphorylation of Plk1 at T210 (mouse numbering, T201 in *Xenopus*), which is catalyzed by

Aurora A and is critical for Plk1 activation (Macůrek *et al*, 2008), as well as phosphorylation of Gwl at S442

(mouse numbering, 467 in *Xenopus*), increased in both datasets (Figures 6B and 9A-B). Similarly, both

datasets consistently detected phosphorylation of Erk2 at T183 (mouse numbering, T188 in *Xenopus*),

which reflects MEK-dependent activation of this kinase (Payne *et al*, 1991)(Figures 6B and 9A-B). Among

the conserved sites whose phosphorylation increases during meiosis, several are known targets of Cdk1

and Erk/MAPK (Figure 9B), consistent with the activation of these kinases during meiotic maturation. We

experimentally confirmed the phosphorylation of Fak1 at S910, Erk2 at T188, and Plk1 at T201 by western

blot (Figure 9C). Moreover, by microinjecting the Cdk1-specific inhibitor Cip1 in oocytes in order to

prevent Cdk1 activation, we demonstrated that Cdk1 is required for phosphorylation of all these

substrates, whether they are direct targets of Cdk1 or Erk/MAPK (Figure 9C). This aligns with previous

reports indicating that MAPK pathway activation in oocytes occurs downstream of the initial activation of

Cdk1 (Santoni *et al*, 2024). Interestingly, AKTS1/PRAS40 phosphorylation decreases during meiotic

maturation in both species (Figure 9A-B). We experimentally validated the dephosphorylation of

AKTS1/PRAS40 at S208 and showed that this event occurs at NEBD and depends on Cdk1 activity (Figure

9C). AKTS1/PRAS40 is a direct inhibitor of mTORC1 by competing with 4E-BP1 and S6K1 for binding to

raptor (Wang *et al*, 2007; Oshiro *et al*, 2007). AKTS1/PRAS40 is phosphorylated on S184 (mouse

numbering, S208 in *Xenopus*) by mTORC1, which leads to its dissociation from mTOR and enhances its

ability to phosphorylate its substrates (Oshiro *et al*, 2007). Interestingly, previous studies suggest that

translation of ribosomal proteins, which are targets of mTOR signaling via the TOP motif located in their

5'-UTR, decreases during meiotic maturation (Luong *et al*, 2020). Our findings support these observations

and provide additional evidence for the downregulation of mTOR activity upon meiotic resumption.

DISCUSSION

The amphibian oocyte and egg have long been a source of inspiration and a source of

experimental opportunity for important areas of biology, such as nuclear organization, spindle formation,

cell polarity, fertilization, mitosis and meiosis, endocrine signaling and intracellular signal transduction. As

experimental embryology gave way to genetic approaches in the late 20th century to study embryonic

development, the attractiveness of amphibian oocytes declined.

The original advantages of the amphibian oocyte are now becoming more obvious, as it becomes

important to link complex cellular processes, like cell division, to signal transduction. These processes are

difficult to study because they occur at a single cell or even at subcellular level. Indeed, many important

cell-division related processes involve transient changes occurring in specific compartments of the cell,

like the endoplasmic reticulum, the mitotic apparatus, the nuclear and plasma membranes, or the

cytoskeleton. Additionally, meiotic and mitotic divisions occupy a very short fraction of the life span of

germ and somatic cells, making it hard to study them in cultured cells. Frog oocytes and eggs show

exquisite synchrony of cell division, allowing to have large cohort of cells at the same stage of the cell

cycle. Therefore, we and others have returned to the awesome power of the amphibian oocyte and egg

to study the signal transduction, intracellular posttranslational changes surrounding the onset of meiotic

and mitotic divisions and fertilization at a single cell level.

Importantly, the ingenious and sensitive tools developed to study the transcriptional regulation

are of little use in the study of a cell type that does not transcribe RNA and of events that are regulated

post-translationally, as meiotic and early embryonic divisions. For a long time, we lacked general tools for

identification and measurement of the activity of the regulators of these processes, impairing our ability

to connect the morphological changes previously described by histology to the respective molecular

events. One manner to investigate these pathways is using pharmacological inhibitors, but their non-

specificity and the complexity of pathways pose serious limitations. For years, phosphorylation events

have been extensively studied using candidate-based approaches, as site-specific mutagenesis and

phosphospecific antibodies. These targeted-approaches have several caveats. The selection of the

putative sites of phosphorylation is based on *in silico* evidence, limiting the analysis to proteins bearing

canonical consensus sequences and hence our knowledge of novel phosphorylation motifs. When

multiple putative phosphorylation sites are present in the same protein, mutagenesis of individual sites

or combinations of sites becomes too complex, impairing identification of the phosphorylation sites used

in vivo and their interdependency or redundancy. Moreover, the time-consuming production of phospho-

specific antibodies is not scalable to high throughput applications. Mass spectrometry has the potential

of shedding light on these intricated networks. However, the current tools are unable to accurately

quantify the level of proteins and phosphorylated proteins at the single cell level -except for the frog

oocytes and eggs, thanks to their exceptional size and high protein content.

Oocyte meiotic maturation is a key biological process. First, it transforms the oocyte into a

fertilizable cell at the origin of life of any animal. Second, since meiosis derives from mitosis, thanks to

cellular adaptations that were necessary to produce a haploid gamete (preventing an S-phase between

the two divisions, modifying the functioning of the spindle during meiosis I, establishing division arrests

needed for the oocyte to grow or to wait for sperm, performing asymmetrical divisions to save nutrient

reserves, etc.), its study provides the opportunity to understand how cell division can adapt and diversify

in living systems, depending on specific cellular organization and specialized functions.

In this paper, we have applied the current state of the art of quantitative mass spectrometry to

oocyte maturation and meiotic divisions using quantitative proteomics and quantitative

phosphoproteomics. We have temporally correlated events with oocyte maturation induced naturally by

progesterone to *Xenopus* full-grown oocytes and watched the progression through meiosis I to the natural

arrest at the second meiotic metaphase. We have been able to correlate the proteomic measurements

with the physiological changes as the oocyte, as it goes from an early prophase I state through to a second

meiotic metaphase state. We find dramatic changes in the oocyte nucleus and the meiotic spindles and

drastic modifications to the standard cell cycle. These dramatic changes are choreographed principally by

signaling pathways employing kinases and phosphatases. In all animals, meiotic maturation relies on the

dynamics of phosphorylation events, either during the signaling pathway that leads to Cdk1 activation or

during the Cdk1 downstream period that orchestrates the structural events of the two meiotic divisions.

The candidate-based approaches have provided a global scheme of this process based on the knowledge

of a few kinases that have been extensively studied for years. However, this scheme still does not provide

a very comprehensive picture of the meiotic process, since it does not take into account hundreds of

unknown critical kinases, substrates and phosphosites. Our quantitative proteomics and

phosphoproteomics approach allowed to obtain a much deeper and comprehensive dynamic picture of

the phosphorylated sites during meiotic maturation. This has enabled us to describe and support with

biochemical precision the various processes in the oocyte, determine the relative timing of various site

phosphorylations and molecular processes, thereby challenging or suggesting the epistatic sequences of

specific molecular pathways. Furthermore, we confirmed the importance of certain previously known

phosphosites, identified the likely kinases or in some cases the kinase families responsible for substrate

phosphorylation, and established connections between phosphorylation events and intracellular
remodeling, as well as regulatory mechanisms such as translation and protein degradation.

In addition to explaining the order of diverse events of chromatin remodeling, nuclear
organization, plasma membrane transformations, cytoskeletal changes of meiosis, our proteomic and
phospho-proteomic datasets should provide a large number of experimental avenues for exploring similar
events in both mitotic and meiotic stages of diverse organisms. This molecular data will enable us to better
understand regulatory pathways involving chromosome behavior, spindle formation, nuclear and plasma
membrane regulation, and signal transduction and derive insights far beyond the scope of meiosis and
oocyte maturation. One such insight might come from a closer analysis of the quality control mechanisms
in the oocyte. Both nucleopore remodeling (King *et al*, 2019) and E2/E3 ubiquitin ligases are involved in
housekeeping and quality control, specifically in the removal of aggregated and orphan complex proteins,
as the germ cell of an organism prepares to become the next generation

METHODS

Oocytes collection and *in vitro* maturation

The research with *Xenopus laevis* was performed under the oversight of the Harvard Medical Area Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. Mature *Xenopus laevis* females were used after priming with pregnant mare serum gonadotropin (PMSG, 50 IU per frog). A sample of ovary tissue was surgically removed, rinsed in 1× Marc's modified Ringer's (MMR) and placed in OR2 buffer (83 mM NaCl, 2.5 mM KCl, 1 mM $CaCl_2$, 1 mM $MgCl_2$, 1 mM Na_2HPO_4, 5 mM HEPES, pH 7.8) and oocytes were manually defolliculated. Prophase oocytes were selected and kept in dishes with agar beds to avoid sticking to the dish. For the Cip1 experiment, prophase oocytes were microinjected with 60 ng of GST-XenCip1, as previously described (Santoni *et al*, 2024). Maturation was induced by incubation at 18 °C with 10 μg/mL progesterone in OR2 buffer.

Oocytes were flash frozen with liquid nitrogen in bunches of ten or fifty for protein and phospho-proteomics measurements respectively. All samples were taken in triplicates, each biological replicate was performed with different frogs. The first sample was taken from untreated oocytes at the time of progesterone treatment, the second timepoint 2 hours after progesterone treatment, with hourly timepoints past that, up to 9 hours post treatment.

Oocyte lysis and digestion into peptides

For each condition the oocytes were lysed at a ratio of 6 μL buffer/embryo in the same buffer as (Presler *et al*, 2017) (0.25 M sucrose, 1% replacement NP-40, 10 mM EDTA, 25 mM HEPES, 1 mM TCEP, 10 μM Combretastatin, 10 μM Cytochalasin D, Roche Protease Inhibitor Mini EDTA free, and Phosstop inhibitor (Roche) at pH 7.2). The yolk was removed by spinning the samples at 4,000 g for 4 minutes at 4°C. Both the supernatant and all lipids were transferred for a new tube. The concentration of HEPES was raised to 0.1 M and SDS was added to 20%. After addition of DTT to 5 mM, the samples were denatured in a 60°C water bath for 20 minutes. After the samples temperatures return to room temperature, N-Ethylmaleimide (NEM) was added to 15 mM, tubes were mixed thoroughly, and the reaction proceeded for 1 hour. Then additional DTT was added to 5 mM to quench the excess NEM. The samples were flash frozen and stored at -80°C until the methanol chloroform precipitation (Wessel & Flügge, 1984). Protein was precipitated by methanol-chloroform precipitation. Due to the large volume of lysate (~ 1 mL), the precipitation was performed in glass 15 mL Corex tubes (No. 8441). The tubes were cleaned for a two-hour chromic acid incubation and rinsed extensively in filtered water. Then they were autoclaved and before use for the precipitation, they were rinsed with HPLC H_2O. The centrifugations were done in a JA

50 30 Ti rotor in a Beckman Avanti J-30I centrifuge at 21,000 g for either 6 minutes or 15 minutes. After

the last supernatant was removed, the pellets were air dried for 15 minutes and resuspended in 0.6 mL

of 6 M guanidine, 50 M EPPS pH 8.5 and transferred to a 2 mL Eppendorf tube. The samples were

incubated for 5 minutes at 65°C and the protein amount was determined by a BCA Assay. The solution

was diluted to 2 M guanidine with 10 mM EPPS pH 8.5. Lysyl endopeptidase (FUJIFILM WAKO (129-02541)

resuspended with HPLC H_2O to ~2 mg/mL) was added to a concentration of 20 ng/mL and the initial

digestion proceeded for 12 hours at room temperature with gentle shaking. The samples were further

diluted to 0.5 M guanidine with 10 mM EPPS pH 8.5 and Trypsin protease (Sequencing Grade Modified

Trypsin, Promega) was added to a final concentration of 10 ng/mL along with an additional 20 ng/mL of

LysC. The samples were incubated in a 37°C room for 8 hours on a nutator.

Phospho-peptide enrichment

To carry out the phosphoproteomic analysis, we made the conventional steps of digesting the proteins

from each time sample with trypsin and specifically labeling them with isobaric tags (TMT-10 reagents).

Tagged samples and the phosphor-peptides were enriched on an IMAC column. Importantly, we chose to

multiplex peptides before the phosphor-peptide enrichment to improve data quality. There is a tradeoff

of decreased yield and therefore depth, as it is not economical to label more than a few milligrams of

material. We used 2.5-4 mgs of TMT-labeled peptides per replicate, enriched with 5 µm Titanium Dioxide

microspheres (GL Sciences 5020-75000) and fractioned as previously described (Presler *et al*, 2017). A

typical yield of 50-80 µg of peptides eluted from the column, with a median phosphor-peptide enrichment

of ~80%.

Phosphatase treatment of *Xenopus* samples prepared for parallel phospho-enrichment

We adapted the method that we used to phosphatase-treat digested peptides (Presler *et al*, 2017) for the

larger samples used here for the parallel phospho-enrichment. We chose to phosphatase treat when

proteases were present in the samples (but after the protease digestion sequence described above) to

enable the de-phosphorylated peptides to have the cleavage pattern expected if they were present

initially in the de-phosphorylated state. We used the heat-labile Alkaline Shrimp Phosphatase (Affymetrix

Inc, USA). We used a 3k Amicon Centrifugal Filter to exchange the enzyme storage buffer to 10 mM EPPS

pH 8.5 instead of Tris-HCl pH 7.5. We also concentrated the phosphatase to between 3-4 U/µL (confirmed

by p-nitrophenyl phosphate assay). We added an estimated 833 units of phosphatase to two of the

samples built to contain representative mixture of peptides (TMT 131N, channel 10: 100 oocytes collected

at the latest timepoint, and TMT 131C, channel 11: 50 oocytes collected at the first timepoint combined

with 50 oocytes collected at the last timepoint). To samples that were not phosphatase-treated, we added

the same volume of blank phosphatase buffer: 5 mM EPPS pH 8, 50% glycerol. To all samples, we added

$MgCl_2$ to 10 mM and EDTA to 0.1 mM (to chelate metals that might compete with the magnesium

necessary for enzymatic activity). All the samples were incubated with gentle shaking at room

temperature for 12 hours. The phosphatase was then inactivated by incubation with gentle shaking in an

air-incubator at 65°C for 15 minutes. Peptide fractionation and TMT-MS3 LC/MS were carried out as done

previously (Presler *et al*, 2017).

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Computing phospho-occupancy systematically

To compute phospho-occupancy, we used the phospho_occupancy_matlab package, available as part of

our code repository (https://github.com/elizabeth-van-itallie) implementing the methods previously

described (Van Itallie *et al*, 2025). We grouped phospho-peptides by unique phosphosite identifiers. In

order to rigorously reflect the measurement accuracy and to take advantage of many measurements of

the same phosphosite (including on peptides with different missed-cleavages or oxidized methionines),

we used BACIQ (Peshkin *et al*, 2019) to compute the estimated trend with confidence intervals. Then, we

created phosphosite sets to connect phosphosites on residues that could be on the same peptide. We

made these assignments based on whether the individual phosphosites were ever measured with another

phosphosite as a composite phosphosite. In order to determine occupancy, we needed to measure the

phosphosite as a different form (usually not-phosphorylated). To do this, we identified non-

phosphorylated peptides measured from the same experimental conditions that include the residue(s) of

the phosphosite. Again, multiple non-phosphorylated peptides can include the residues of interest and

the same peptide sequences can be measured multiple times. Therefore, we again use BACIQ (Peshkin *et*

al, 2019) to aggregate these measurements in a trend with confidence intervals.

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Comparison of mouse and *Xenopus* phosphosites

To compare the dynamics of mouse and *Xenopus* phosphosites between two species, we used the

phospho_matching package, available as part of our code repository (https://github.com/elizabeth-van-

itallie) implementing the methods previously described (Van Itallie *et al*, 2025). We first matched the

phosphosites using the protein sequence and phosphorylated residues, then filtered the list to only keep

matched phosphosites measured in both datasets. For cross-species phosphomatching, we used the

default parameters that are defined in the methods section in (Van Itallie *et al*, 2025): BLOSUM90

substitution penalty matrix and blastp alignment results with E-value less than 1e-20.

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1036 Mass spectrometry data mapping and analysis

Peptide-Spectra matches were performed as previously described (Sonnett *et al*, 2018). Assignment of

MS2 spectra was performed using the SEQUEST (Eng *et al*, 1994) algorithm by searching the data against

the appropriate proteome reference set acquired from Xenbase (*Xenopus laevis* assembly 9.1) along with

common contaminants: human keratins and trypsin. The target-decoy strategy was used to construct a

second database of reversed sequences that were used to estimate the false discovery rate on the peptide

level. SEQUEST searches were performed using a 20 ppm precursor ion tolerance with the requirement

that both N- and C-terminal peptide ends are consistent with the protease specificities of LysC and Trypsin.

TMT (+229.162932 Da) was set as a static modification on N-termini and lysines peptides, and N-ethyl

maleimide (+125.047679 Da) was set as a static modification on cysteine residues. Oxidation of

methionine (+15.99492 Da) was set as a variable modification. A peptide level MS2 spectral assignment

false discovery rate of 1% was obtained by applying the target-decoy strategy with linear discriminant

analysis. Peptides of 7 amino acids length or longer were ranked by linear discriminant analysis score and

were filtered to a ratio of 1% reverses/forwards + reverses. Peptides were assigned to proteins and a

second filtering step to obtain a 1% FDR on the protein level was applied. Peptides that matched multiple

proteins were assigned to the proteins with the most unique peptides. We only used Isolation Specificity

> 0.75 spectra.

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1054 Estimation of the absolute abundance of proteins

The absolute protein concentration was estimated according previously published methods (Wühr *et al*,

2014; Peshkin *et al*, 2019), based here on ion current prorated to the isobarically labeled fractions. The

respective sample fractions were estimated using our previously published Bayesian approach (Peshkin

et al, 2019), which integrates peptide signal and peptide-level measurement agreement into a maximum

likelihood estimate of the true protein ratio and the associated confidence interval (Peshkin *et al*, 2019).

See Appendix Supplementary Methods.

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1062 Western blot and Antibodies

1063 Oocyte homogenization and SDS-page was performed as previously described in (Santoni *et al*, 2024). The

1064 following antibodies were used: Karyopherin (1:2000, goat, Santa Cruz sc-1863), pT188-pY190-Erk2

1065 (1:2000, mouse, Cell Signaling 9106), pT201-Plk1 (1:1000, Abcam Ab39068), pS910-FAK (1:5000, rabbit,

1066 Invitrogen 4459G) and pS183-Akts1/PRAS40 (1:5000, rabbit, Cell Signaling 5936). The appropriate

1067 secondary HRP-coupled antibodies were used at 1:10000 dilution (Jackson Immunoresearch).

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Data availability

The mass spectrometry proteomics raw data and reference set of sequences have been deposited to the

ProteomeXchange consortium via the PRIDE partner repository with the dataset identifier MassIVE

MSV000094498. In addition, we developed a multi-functional Web portal to release the data and enable

interactive interrogation (https://xenopus.hms.harvard.edu/index_oocyte.html). All of the aspects from

overall protein trends to individual clusters to specific phosphosites and stoichiometry information are

easily available. The portal provides per-protein link to external information about each human protein

by symbol from GeneCards (https://www.genecards.org/) and respective *Xenopus* protein at Xenbase

(https://www.xenbase.org/xenbase/).

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Figure 1

Figure 1. Molecular events coordinating *Xenopus laevis* oocyte meiotic divisions. From top to bottom: The prophase arrest is maintained by high PKA activity due to the constitutively expressed GPR185 receptor. The exocytic pathway is active while the endocytic pathway is downregulated. Cdk1-Cyclin B2 complexes are present under an inactive state due to Cdk1 phosphorylation. Progesterone activates the mPRβ receptor, GPR185 is inactivated, the exocytosis and endocytosis pathways are inverted. PKA is inactivated and promotes translation and/or accumulation of new proteins, among them Mos (that does not accumulate due to its instability) and Cyclin B1 (due to its stabilization). New Cyclin B1 proteins associate with Cdk1 and form a starter amount of Cdk1 activity. This Cdk1 starter stabilizes Mos and promotes Cdk1-Cyclin B2 activation through the regulation of Myt1, Cdc25, Gwl and PP2A. The autoamplification loop is launched, whereby more Cdk1 is activated, more it activates kinases as Mos-MAPK, Aurora-A and Plk1, all of them contributing with Cdk1 to regulate Myt1 and Cdc25, hence accelerating Cdk1 activation. Phosphorylated substrates trigger NEBD and the MI spindle assembly as well as protein translation. APC is activated under the control of Cdk1 and leads to Cyclin B degradation. The Cdk1 activity decreases and allows anaphase I and expulsion of the 1st polar body. Under the Mos/MAPK control, Emi2/Erp1 inactivates APC, halting Cyclin B degradation. The re-accumulation of Cyclin B increases Cdk1 activity that triggers the formation of the MII spindle, avoiding the assembly of a nucleus and DNA replication. APC remains inhibited by Emi2/Erp1, what ensures the oocyte arrest in MII. Color code: red: inactivated proteins; green: activated proteins; red arrow: inhibition; green arrow: activation; yellow highlight: accumulated protein; blue highlight: protein synthesized but not accumulated.

Figure 2

A

PRO　　NEBD/MI　　MII-arrest

Time after Progesterone (hrs)

Y-axis: **Log2(FC(x/0hrs))**

Curves labeled: Cyclin B1, Mos, CPEB1, Wee2, Cdc6, Cyclin E, Cyclin B2, Cyclin B3

X-axis values: 0, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

B

- ● Proteins published to accumulate during meiosis
- ● Proteins published to be constant during meiosis
- ● Proteins published to be degraded during meiosis

Y-axis: **Log2(M II / PRO I)**

X-axis: **Average concentration- Log10(nM)**

Labels: mos, kif22, wee2, ccnb1, gmnn, cdc6, birc5, cdc20, ctnnb1, tpx2, incenp, kif11, cdt1, aurka, patl1, bub1, KPNB1, GAPDH, kpna3, ipo5, kpna2, xpo1, cdk1, arpp19, patl2, cpeb1

C

Category	FDR	Genes
DNA replication initiation	FDR: 10⁻⁶	orc1,orc2,orc6, cdc6, mcm7, mcm10, ccne1
vesicle tethering	FDR: 10⁻⁴	exoc1, exoc2, exoc3, exoc4, exoc5, trappc2, trappc2l, trappc10, trappc13, wdr11
mitotic nuclear division	FDR: 10⁻⁸	INCENP,sgo1,nek2,prc1,ncapd2,ccnb1,kifc1,kif11,tpx2,kmt5a, mad2l1,ube2s,sirt2,sgo2,abraxas1,klhl22,tubg1,cdc20,rcc1, birc5,kif22
mitotic spindle assembly	FDR: 10⁻⁴	Incep, nek2, prc1, kifc1, kif11, tpx2, abraxas1, cdc20, birc5

X-axis: **Fold of enrichment** — 0 3 6 9 12 15 18 21 24

D

Category	FDR	Genes
RNA-Binding-Proteins	FDR: 10⁻⁸	caprin2,cpeb1,larp4,patl2,serbp1,spats2,ythdf1,zar1,zar1l,...
RNA helicase	FDR: 10⁻⁶	ddx10,ddx18,ddx21,ddx24,ddx25,ddx27,ddx47,ddx 49,ddx54,dhx36,g3bp1, mov10l1
Ribosome biogenesis	FDR: 10⁻¹⁶	brix1,ddx10,ddx18,ddx21,ddx21,ddx27,ddx47,ddx49,ddx54,dkc1,ebna1bp2, eif6,emg1,eral1,ftsj3,gtf3a,imp3,imp4,krr1,mphosph10,mphosph6,nifk,nol9, nolc1,nop16,nop53,npm1,pdcd11,pelp1,pes1,rbis,rpf2,rpl26,rrp12,rrp1b,rrs1, rsl24d1,sart1, sdad1,surf6,utp11,utp14a,utp20

X-axis: **Fold of enrichment** — 0 3 6 9 12

Figure 2. Changes in the protein levels during meiotic divisions. (**A**) The relative changes in the concentration of proteins whose accumulation/degradation has been reported to correlate with the critical stages of *Xenopus* meiotic divisions have been plotted. (**B**) Changes of protein stoichiometry during meiotic maturation. The log2 fold changes between the concentration of each protein in PRO-arrested oocytes and MII-arrested oocytes was plotted against the average concentration during meiotic divisions. The red line marks the 1.5-fold change used as a threshold to identify accumulating proteins. The blue line marks the 0.75-fold change used as threshold to distinguish proteins that are degraded during meiosis. Proteins, whose changes in homeostasis during meiotic divisions are documented in the literature, are marked with the following color code: red, for proteins accumulating; black, for proteins which are expressed at a stable level; and blue, for proteins that are degraded. (**C-D**) Gene ontology analysis of the biological processes enriched among the proteins found to accumulate (in red, panel **C**) or degraded (in blue, panel **D**) during meiosis. The statistical significance of the enrichment is expressed as false discovery rate (FDR). A representative subset of the proteins belonging to each group is displayed.

Figure 2-figure supplement 3

A

Gene name	PRO I 0	2	MI 3	4	MII - arrest 5	6	7	8	9	FC (MII/PRO)	Log2- FC (MII/PRO)	FC (MII/PRO) (Peuchen, 2017)	Log2- FC (MII/PRO) (Peuchen, 2017)	PMID	
kif22 (XKid)	0.018	0.019	0.036	0.053	0.074	0.094	0.120	0.138	0.187	8.5	3.1	not detected	not detected	12360284	U
mos	0.015	0.015	0.061	0.091	0.105	0.136	0.120	0.110	0.148	8.4	3.1	0.9	-0.2	2474853	P
ccnb1	0.021	0.031	0.053	0.059	0.095	0.119	0.122	0.150	0.145	6.6	2.7	not detected	not detected	10512866	
wee2	0.027	0.028	0.045	0.048	0.084	0.121	0.102	0.135	0.151	4.9	2.3	not detected	not detected	10673504	
cdc6	0.034	0.033	0.035	0.054	0.074	0.094	0.100	0.149	0.171	4.1	2.0	0.5	-1.0	12384698, 12384699,26092930	
gmnn	0.037	0.038	0.056	0.072	0.099	0.122	0.105	0.130	0.142	3.4	1.8	1.2	0.3	19656945	
birc5 (survivin)	0.044	0.047	0.053	0.056	0.085	0.101	0.113	0.145	0.139	3.0	1.6	2.2	1.1	18378691	
ccne1	0.046	0.057	0.044	0.073	0.090	0.149	0.110	0.113	0.131	2.6	1.4	not detected	not detected	11413001	
zfp36l2	0.059	0.058	0.066	0.053	0.048	0.045	0.132	0.123	0.135	2.2	1.1	not detected	not detected	18385675	
tpx2	0.057	0.061	0.071	0.085	0.098	0.107	0.109	0.115	0.115	2.0	1.0	not detected	not detected	19121998	
kif11 (Eg5)	0.058	0.061	0.073	0.077	0.091	0.100	0.103	0.110	0.119	1.9	0.9	1.7	0.8	8026619	
incenp	0.059	0.065	0.069	0.075	0.096	0.093	0.101	0.101	0.126	1.9	0.9	1.5	0.5	18378691	
ctnnb1	0.064	0.051	0.078	0.088	0.097	0.109	0.105	0.118	0.107	1.7	0.8	1.0	0.0	9876185	
cdc20	0.064	0.058	0.082	0.091	0.097	0.089	0.111	0.102	0.101	1.6	0.7	0.5	-1.1	11413001	
aurka (Eg2)	0.067	0.069	0.088	0.089	0.099	0.104	0.094	0.098	0.108	1.5	0.6	1.3	0.3	10704364	
cdt1	0.072	0.071	0.081	0.098	0.098	0.114	0.096	0.115	0.100	1.4	0.5	1.0	0.0	19656945	
bub1	0.081	0.075	0.099	0.083	0.107	0.102	0.097	0.093	0.101	1.2	0.3	not detected	not detected	11231148	
patl1	0.085	0.075	0.089	0.089	0.095	0.100	0.096	0.104	0.099	1.2	0.2	4.6	2.2	20826699	
kpna3	0.081	0.088	0.075	0.085	0.087	0.09	0.1	0.106	0.098	1.3	0.3	0.6	-0.7	26399853	C
gapdh	0.079	0.0885	0.0815	0.0825	0.0795	0.0905	0.0905	0.0925	0.0915	1.2	0.2	0.5	-1.03398944	26399853	O
ipo5	0.082	0.0845	0.0835	0.0735	0.088	0.08	0.093	0.0965	0.095	1.2	0.2	0.5	-0.9	26399853	N
tuba4b	0.079	0.106	0.082	0.132	0.092	0.096	0.078	0.08	0.115	1.2	0.2	0.4	-1.5	20531391	S
kpna2	0.09	0.0875	0.096	0.101	0.092	0.09	0.096	0.088	0.101	1.1	0.1	1.1	0.1	26399853	T
mapk1	0.092	0.095	0.093	0.098	0.091	0.099	0.092	0.099	0.086	1.0	0.0	0.6	-0.7	26092930	A
kpnb1	0.1	0.088	0.08	0.086	0.077	0.093	0.087	0.092	0.115	1.0	0.0	0.5	-1.1	26399853	N
xpo1	0.093	0.093	0.086	0.086	0.094	0.092	0.089	0.092	0.086	1.0	-0.1	0.6	-0.8	26399853	T
acta4	0.089	0.101	0.086	0.099	0.09	0.09	0.085	0.081	0.089	1.0	-0.1	not detected	not detected	20826699	
cdk1	0.0965	0.092	0.1005	0.0975	0.098	0.095	0.0915	0.0935	0.087	0.9	-0.1	1.0	0.0	26092930	
arpp19	0.1015	0.085	0.1125	0.0885	0.1025	0.086	0.085	0.075	0.083	0.8	-0.3	0.6	-0.7	24525567	
zar1	0.211	0.096	0.109	0.083	0.088	0.086	0.076	0.062	0.064	0.3	-1.6	0.3	-1.8	23827238	
tbpl2	0.135	0.123	0.132	0.089	0.093	0.071	0.075	0.055	0.073	0.5	-1.0	not detected	not detected	19650908	D
zar2	0.218	0.0985	0.0935	0.0845	0.0835	0.0795	0.065	0.0525	0.059	0.3	-1.9	not detected	not detected	23827238	O
patl2	0.273	0.286	0.108	0.057	0.036	0.033	0.028	0.025	0.029	0.1	-3.3	0.4	-1.3	20826699	W
cpeb1	0.306	0.223	0.098	0.045	0.036	0.033	0.031	0.027	0.031	0.1	-3.4	0.4	-1.2	11237472, 11927567	N

B

Red: Proteins published to accumulate during meiosis
Black: Proteins published to be constant during meiosis
Blue: Proteins published to be degraded during meiosis

p= 0.07468

C

p: 0.5172

D

		S	
		UP	Constant	DOWN
L	UP	19	57	0
	Constant	62	1042	39
	DOWN	2	38	22

E

Figure 2-figure supplement 3. Validation of the proteomic dataset. (**A**) Table summarizing proteins whose changes in protein level have been documented using Western blot. The PMID of the original publication displaying the Western blot is reported. The changes in abundance detected in our dataset are color-coded with a scale from green to red. Log2 fold changes between prophase and metaphase II from our dataset are color-coded with a scale from red to blue and compared to another previously published dataset (Peuchen *et al*, 2017). (**B**) Proteome-wide comparison of our dataset with (Peuchen *et al*, 2017). Proteins whose abundance was previously published are color-coded in red for the ones that accumulate, black for the constant, and blue for the ones that are degraded. (**C**) Changes in protein abundance between prophase and metaphase II were calculated for each protein where we could distinguish the .S and .L isoforms and plotted. The Pearson correlation between the isoforms was calculated with Prism. (**D**) Table summarizing the comparison between .S and .L isoforms presented in panel **C**. (**E**) Correlation plot between the changes in protein abundance occurring during the prophase to metaphase II transition and the average concentration of the proteins during meiotic divisions.

Figure 2-figure supplement 4

B

			n. of proteins degraded bearing the consensus	Substrates (reference)
APC	D-Box	R-x-x-L-x-x-x-x-N	56 (11%)	Ccnb 2 (PMDI: 1846030), CKAP2 (PMDI: 17339342)
	KEN	K-E-N-x-x-x-N	2 (1%)	
	ABBA	I/L/V/F-x-I/L/M/V/P-F/H/Y-x-D/E	128 (25%)	
SCF	BtrcP	D/T-SGxxS	22 (4%)	CPEB1 (PMDI: 11237472)
	FBXW7:	I/L-I/L/P-T/S-P-x-x-S/T	8 (2%)	
None of the identified degron			253 (57%)	

Figure 2-figure supplement 4. Protein degradation during meiotic maturation: ribosomal proteins, E3 ligases targets. (**A**) Changes in protein abundance of ribosomal proteins between prophase (PRO) and metaphase II (MII) are plotted. Dashed lines represent the threshold used for defining the differentially expressed proteins. (**B**) Table summarizing the different degron consensus motifs identified and the number of proteins in our dataset bearing these motifs. Examples of proteins bearing different degrons are listed along with supporting literature.

Figure 3

A

PRO   NEBD/MI   MII-arrest

Class I — Phosphorylated in prophase I — 136 (2%)

Class II — Phosphorylated in both M-phase — 2167 (39%)

Class III — Phosphorylated In metaphase I — 267 (5%)

Class IV — Phosphorylation increases during meiotic division — 507 (9%)

Class V — Phosphorylated In metaphase II — 301 (5%)

Time after Progesterone (hrs)

B

Class I proteins

	gene name	description	PMID
Vessicle trafficking and membrane organization	C2CD2L	an endoplasmic reticulum protein that functions both as membrane tether to the plasma membrane and as phospholipid transporter	32693056
	MAGI1	a scaffolding protein localized at the plasma membrane	35389514
	NKTR	a membrane-anchored protein with function in protein folding	7906541
	LDLRAP1	interacts with the cytoplasmic tail of the LDL receptor and facilitates the clathrin-mediated endocytosis of LDLR and other members of this family	15728179
	PI4KB	PKA substrate that regulates Golgi reorganization during mitosis, and is involved in Golgi-to-plasma membrane trafficking	23712958
Actin cytoskeleton	WIPF2	induces reorganization of the actin filament network around the plasma membrane by cooperating with WASP/WASL88	21785420
	SPTBN1	an actin crosslinking and molecular scaffold protein that is involved in Ca2+ and calmodulin-dependent exocytosis	32601107
	ITPRID2	tethers IP3 receptors to the actin under the plasma membrane to mediate Ca2+ signalling	34301929
Translation	PATL1	RNA binding protein involved in mRNA stabilization and translation repression	20826699
	eIF4ENIF1	binds and sequesters eIF4E inhibiting protein translation initiation.	16157702
	Maskin	component of the translation repression complex nucleated by CPEB1 that is involved in mantaining translation repression in Prophase arrested oocytes.	10635326
Ubiquitin ligases	Ube2O	E2/E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase with both E2 and E3 ligase activities.	30468556
	Faf2	endoplasmic reticulum–associated protein involved in the dissolution of RNA stress granules	34739333
	Ube4b	E3-ubiquitin ligase, with unknow function.	
	DCUN1D5	catalyzes the neddylation of cullins that is required for the activation of the cullin-E3 ubiquitin ligase.	26906416

Figure 3. Changes in protein phosphorylation during meiotic divisions. (**A**) Relative phosphopeptide signals were normalized for the changes in the total level of the proteins. The changes in the phosphopeptides were measured between the three biological stages of meiotic divisions (PRO = 0hr, NEBD/MI = average of 3 and 4 hours, and MII-arrest = average of 7 to 9 hours).

Class I (n=136 - 2%, in blue) includes proteins bearing a phosphosite whose occupancy decreases during meiosis resumption (Log2FC(MI/PRO)<-1). Class II (n=2167 - 39%, in green) contains proteins that are highly phosphorylated from MI (Log2FC(MI/PRO)>1) to MII (-1<Log2FC(MII/MI)<1). Class III (n=267 - 5%, in red) consists of proteins whose phosphorylation is specific of MI (Log2FC(MI/PRO)>1, Log2FC(MII/MI)<-1). Class IV (n=507 - 9%, yellow) is composed of proteins whose phosphorylation increases from MI (Log2FC(MI/PRO)>1) to MII, picking in MII (Log2FC(MII/MI)> 1). Class V (n=301 – 5%, orange) comprises proteins whose phosphorylation does not vary in MI (-1<Log2FC(MI/PRO)<1) but are phosphorylated only in MII (Log2FC(MII/MI)>1). The average signal of each Class was plotted with a thick and dark line. (**B**) Table summarizing the proteins bearing phosphosites belonging to Class I.

Figure 3-figure supplement 1

A

B

	Top 10 kinases									
Class I	CK2A2	CK2A1	GRK5	CAMK2G	CAMK2B	PLK2	GRK6	GRK3	TGFBR1	PLK3
Class II	CDK2	CDK3	CDK1	KIS	CDK5	CDK16	PLK1	JNK1	JNK3	ERK2
Class III	JNK1	JNK3	CDK2	P38B	CDK8	PRP4	JNK2	ERK2	CDK19	CDK17
Class IV	IKKE	CDK2	CAMK2D	BMPR2	JNK1	PLK3	TBK1	CAMK2B	PLK1	CK1G3
Class V	CK2A2	CK2A1	CAMK2G	PLK2	GRK7	GRK4	ALK7	CK1D	BMPR1A	ATM

Figure 3-figure supplement 1. (A) Venn diagram showing the number of Class II phosphosites predicted to be targeted by Cdk1, Erk1/2, and Plk1. Predictions were made using the kinase scoring tool available at https://kinase-library.phosphosite.org/kinase-library/score-site, applying a 90th percentile threshold. **(B)** Top 10 kinases whose predicted phosphorylation sites are most enriched in each class (I to V), using the kinase scoring tool available at https://kinase-library.phosphosite.org/kinase-library/score-site.

Figure 4

A Translation (GO:0006412)

Class I		*eif4enif1,tacc3,Patl1,rptor*
Class II	FDR: 10^{-5}	*abcf1,brip1,ddx3x,dhx29,eef1g,eif2a,eif2a,eif2ak2, eif2s2,eif3a,eif3a,eif3c,eif3d,eif3e,eif3g,eif3h,eif4b, eif4e1b,eif4ebp2,eif4g1,eif4h,eif5,eprs,qars,gemin5, igf2bp3,larp4,mars,mrpl46,ncbp1,nemf,qars,rars, rpl7a,rps10,rps3,tcea1,trip4,vars,zar1,rptor*
Class III		*larp4;rps10;eif4enif1,eif1ad*
Class IV	FDR: 10^{-4}	*eef1d,eif2a,eif2a,eif3c,eif3g,eif3h,eif3j,eif4b,eif4e1 b,eif4g1,eif5,eif5b,eif6,eprs,gadd45gip1,gemin5, igf2bp3,naca,paip1,rplp2,yars,rptor*
Class V	FDR: 10^{-3}	*abcf1,cars,ddx3x,eif2s2,eif4b,eif5,eif5b,gemin5, naca,ndufa7,rpl37,rplp0,rplp2,srbd1,trip4*

Fold of enrichment (0, 2, 4, 6)

Figure 4. RNA-binding proteins and translation initiation factors are dynamically phosphorylated during meiotic divisions. (**A**) Gene ontology enrichment analysis of the biological process "translation" (GO:0006412) among the phosphopeptides found in each class defined in Fig. 3A. (**B-C**) Graphical representation of the phosphorylation dynamics of RBPs (**B**) and translation initiation factors (**C**) during meiotic divisions. Proteins are color-coded to highlight the changes in protein abundance during meiotic divisions: unchanged=white, decreased=blue, increased=light orange. The phosphorylated sites are color-coded: unchanged, grey; Class I, blue; Class II, green; Class III, red; Class IV, yellow; Class V, orange. The numbering is referred to the iso-allele which has higher number of phosphorylation sites detected.

Figure 4-figure supplement 1

Figure 4-figure supplement 1. Phosphorylation patterns of components of the initiation translation machinery during meiotic divisions. (**A**-**C**) Levels of phosphorylation sites of eIF4b (**A**), eIF2s2/eIF2b(**B**) and eIF4g (**C**) during meiotic divisions are plotted. The phosphorylation curves are color-coded: Class II, green; Class IV, yellow, Class V, orange.

Figure 5

Figure 5. E2 and E3 ubiquitin ligases are highly regulated by phosphorylation. (**A**) Gene ontology enrichment analysis of the biological process "protein polyubiquitination" (GO:0000209) among the phosphopeptides found in each class defined in Fig. 3A. (**B-C**) Graphical representation of the phosphorylation dynamics of the components of two E3 ubiquitin ligases, the anaphase promoting complex (APC) (**B**) and the Skp, Cullin, F-box containing complex (SCF) (**C**) during meiotic divisions. Proteins are color-coded to highlight changes in protein abundance during meiotic divisions: unchanged=white, decreased=blue, increased=light orange. The phosphorylated sites are color-coded: unchanged, grey; Class I, blue; Class II, green; Class III, red; Class IV, yellow; Class V, orange. The numbering is referred to the iso-allele which has higher number of phosphorylation sites detected.

Figure 6

A

mitotic cell cycle (GO:0000278)

Class II — FDR: 10⁻²⁷ — *taok3,incenp,taok2,kif3b,tacc1,clasp1,cdc16,ccne1,mastl,kif11,plk1,ppp2r5c,tacc3,brd4, kif2c,bub1,tpx2,smc2,cdc6,cenpt,mcm2,cep192,cdc27,exoc4,nedd1,bub1b,exoc7,map4, wee2, mcm3,mcm4, bard1,ncaph,numa1,cdc23,pkmyt1,ppp1r12a,mcm6,cdc20,kif22,...*

Class III — FDR: 10⁻¹⁰ — *incenp,ska1,clasp1,tpr,tubgcp6,mastl,kif15,topbp1,gtse1,ticrr,nup88,usp37,nasp,cep192, nbn,mapre1,exoc4,clip1,ect2,rps6kb1,mcm4,trim36,ccnb3,nusap1,exoc2,ppp1r12a,cdc25 c*

Class IV — FDR: 10⁻⁸ — *incenp,wapl,mre11a,gtse1,tacc3,nup88,cdt1,cdc27,exoc4,map4,mdc1,lig1,nsfl1c,tubgcp3 , nusap1, bard1,cdc23,clspn,pds5b,rpa2,cdc25c,wee2..*

Class V — FDR: 10⁻³ — *tacc1,cdc45,htt,eme1,myh10,kif15,rad17,mre11a,hmga2,dctn1,cdc6,usp37,mcm2,cenpc , clip1, fancd2, ect2,stmn1,e2f8,ska3*

Fold of enrichment

B

(X) Known phosphorylation from low throughput papers, not detected in our dataset.

(X) New phosphorylation unidentified

(X) Known phosphorylation from low throughput papers , detected in our dataset.

○ Activatory phosphorylation

○ Inhibitory phosphorylation

Figure 6. The network of phosphorylations regulating Cdk1 and the Mos/MAPK pathway. (**A**) Gene ontology enrichment analysis of the biological process "mitotic cell cycle" (GO:0000278) among the phosphopeptides found in each class defined in Fig. 3A. (**B**) Graphical representation of the network of phosphorylations of cell cycle regulators controlling Cdk1 activation (**upper panel**) and the Mos/MAPK pathway (**lower panel**). The human nomenclature numbering has been used for the phospho-sites. The phosphosites are displayed by dots and color-coded: yellow background, new sites identified in this paper and never described elsewhere; grey background, phosphosites already documented in vertebrates by low throughput papers and not identified in this paper; grey-yellow background, phosphosites already documented in vertebrates by low throughput papers and also identified in this paper. The functional effect of the phosphorylation is indicated by the color of the dot contour line: green, activatory; red, inhibitory; black, unknown.

Figure 6-figure supplement 1

Figure 6-figure supplement 1. Phosphorylation patterns of Cdk1 regulators during meiotic divisions. (**A-D** and **F**) Levels of phosphorylation sites of Plk1 (**A**), Bora (**B**), Cdc25 (**C**), Gwl/MASTL (**D**) and Wee2 (**F**) during meiotic divisions are plotted. The peptide sequences are reported with the phosphorylation sites marked in bold. The number of the residue phosphorylated is reported between breakers according to the *Xenopus* and human nomenclature. (**E**) The phosphorylation occupancy for S428 of Cdc27 is plotted with its confidence intervals.

Figure 6-figure supplement 2

Figure 6-figure supplement 2. Phosphorylation patterns of the mos/MAPK pathway during meiotic divisions. (**A**-**E**) Levels of phosphorylation sites of Erk1 (**A**), Bora (**B**), MEK1 (**C**), MEK2 (**D**) and Rsk2 (**E**) during meiotic divisions are plotted. The peptide sequences are reported with the phosphorylation sites marked in bold. The number of the residue phosphorylated is reported between breakers according to the *Xenopus* and human nomenclature. (**F**) The phosphorylation occupancy for S381 of Rsk1 is plotted with its confidence intervals.

Figure 7

A   Nucleoporins concentration (nM)

	PRO	MII
NUP107	157	161
NUP133	166	172
NUP153	117	144
NUP155	186	191
NUP160	134	140
NUP188	120	124
NUP205	360	383
NUP210	97	119
NUP214	150	131
NUP35	327	308
NUP37	309	317
NUP43	218	237
NUP50	712	725
NUP54	160	166
NUP58	385	388
NUP62	440	440
NUP85	134	145
NUP88	110	110
NUP93	665	693
NUP98	476	442

Figure 7. The phosphorylation pattern of nuclear pore components during meiotic divisions. (**A**) Absolute concentration (nM) of nucleoporins in prophase (PRO) and metaphase II (MII) oocytes. (**B**) Gene ontology enrichment analysis of the biological process "nuclear pore organization" (GO:0006999) among the phosphopeptides found in each class defined in Fig. 3A. (**C**) Phosphorylation patterns of Nup35/Nup53. The phosphorylation curves are color-coded: Class II, green; Class III, red; Class IV, yellow. (**D**) High precision phospho-occupancy calculation of S59 phosphorylation pattern of Nup35/Nup53.

Figure 8

Figure 8. Microtubule-interacting proteins phosphorylation during meiotic divisions. Graphic representation of the phosphorylation dynamics of kinesins (Kif15, Kif11), dyneins (DYNC1LI1, DYNC1LI2) and katanin (KATNB1) during meiotic divisions. The sites of the phosphorylation detected are marked above each panel.

Figure 8-figure supplement 1

Figure 8-figure supplement 1. Phosphorylation patterns of cohesins during meiotic divisions. **(A-C)** The levels of phosphorylation sites of Sgo1 (**A**), PDS5B (**B**) and Wapl (**C**) during meiotic divisions are plotted. The peptide sequences are reported with the phosphorylation sites marked in bold. The position of the residue phosphorylated is reported in breakets according to the *Xenopus* and human nomenclature.

Figure 9

B

protein name	Mouse Sequence	Mouse Position	Xenopus Sequence	Xenopus Position	Changes during meiosis log2 FC(MII/PRO)		Kinase	PMDI
					Mouse	Xenopus		
SCFD1	STGVENSPAGARP	300	APAVESSPSGARP	293	1.4	2.9	AMPKA1	35465820
TTK/Mps1	PKADKESPPISVP	435	PGSRRVSPPAPSL	459	2.8	2.4	CDK	17804818
PSA5/PSMA5	RGVNTFSPEGRLF	16	RGVNTFSPEGRLF	16	2.9	3.4	CDK1	34831298
RIR2	QQQLQLSPLKRLT	20	ELNENVSPMKNLT	16	1.1	2.5	CDK1	9990288
TOP2A	CADVLPSPRGKRV	1211	LQEIMPSPHGRRV	1208	0.8	2.1	CDK1	11699638
RPS3	DEILPTTPISEQK	221	DEIVPTTPISEQK	221	2.8	3.5	CDK1 or ERK	21871177
EXOC7	SSGVPYSPAIPNK	250	SSGITYSPAVQNK	250	2.0	2.5	ERK	22595671
FAK1	LQPQEISPPPTAN	910	IQPQEISPPPTAN	913	1.8	3.8	ERK	15174091
TTK/Mps1	QLVGLNSPNSILK	820	QLIGLNSPNSISR	844	2.6	2.6	ERK	16950116
GEPH	STTPSESPRAQAT	270	STTPSESPRAQAT	412	1.9	2.0	GSK3B	21173228
MK01/ERK2	DHTGFLTEYVATR	183	DHTGFLTEYVATR	188	2.7	3.2	MEK	1849075
PLK1	EGERKKTLCGTPN	210	DGERKKTLCGTPN	201	1.2	4.1	AURKA	18615013
AKTS1	TQQYAKSLPVSVP	184	YQQYARSLPVTVP	208	-0.5	-1.2	mTOR	18372248

Figure 9. (A) Comparison of phosphorylation changes during meiotic divisions in *Xenopus* (our dataset) and mouse oocytes (Sun et al, 2024). Log2 fold changes in phosphorylation between prophase (PRO) and metaphase II are plotted. The Pearson correlation (r = 0.39, *p* < 0.0001) was calculated. **(B)** Selected examples of conserved phosphorylation sites between mouse and Xenopus. The kinase that was experimentally identified to phosphorylate the specific site is displayed together with the supporting reference. **(C)** Oocytes were microinjected with a specific inhibitor of Cdk1, Cip1. After overnight incubation, meiotic maturation was induced by progesterone. Oocytes were collected at different times after progesterone treatment. Karyopherin was used as a loading control. The phosphorylation of Fak1 at S913, Erk2 at T188, Plk1 at T201, and Akts1 at S208 was evaluated by western blot.

Table 1

	Gene name	0	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Log2 FC (MII/PRO)	(Wuhr,2014) Estimated concentration in MII-arrested oocytes (nM)	(Session,2016) Count per Million (CPM) in PRO I
Proximal part	SAS-6	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.08	-0.3	36	20
	CENPJ	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.4	9	56
	Cep135	not detected										5	1
Central core	POC1B	0.05	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.14	0.11	0.10	0.11	1.2	7	96
	POC5	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.12	1.1	39	100
	CETN1	0.08	0.08	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.2	not detected	3
	SFI1	not detected										3	7
	POC1A	not detected										20	54
	CETN2	not detected										82	not detected
	WDR90	not detected										5	25
	FAM161A	not detected										not detected	34
Distal appendages	SCLT1	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.08	-0.4	13	2
	FBF1	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.06	-0.7	not detected	17
	CEP83	not detected										not detected	7
	CEP89	not detected										not detected	1
Sub-distal appendages	FBF1	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.06	-0.7	not detected	17
	CEP164	0.10	0.08	0.11	0.09	0.12	0.09	0.08	0.06	0.08	-0.4	1	not detected
	NIN	0.11	0.09	0.11	0.07	0.08	0.11	0.10	0.08	0.10	-0.2	4	27
	TUBE1	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.09	-0.1	7	8
	TUBD1	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.1	13	28
	ODF2	not detected										7	8
	CEP128	not detected										3	17
	CNTRL	not detected										6	26
	CEP170	not detected										4	3
	TCHP	not detected										2	16
	CCDC68	not detected										not detected	3
	tubz1	not detected										not detected	10
	CCDC120	not detected										not detected	not detected
Centriole duplication	CCP110	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.12	0.9	7	20
	CEP152	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.6	7	161
	CEP192	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.5	21	24
	STIL	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.5	14	100
	CEP63	0.07	0.06	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.5	4	33
	CEP76	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.14	0.10	0.07	0.12	0.5	12	57
	RTTN	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.0	18	14
	CEP97	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	-0.1	15	1
	SAS-6	0.11	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.08	-0.3	36	42
	Plk4	not detected										not detected	not detected
PCM	KIF22	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.14	0.19	3.1	33	464
	SSX2IP	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.16	2.1	20	10
	TUBG1	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.12	0.12	0.11	1.5	166	101
	tpx2	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.12	0.11	1.0	43	516
	kif11	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.9	44	185
	dync1li1	0.06	0.0735	0.0605	0.0675	0.062	0.0605	0.104	0.1185	0.087	0.8	169	38
	dync2h1	0.067	0.057	0.073	0.074	0.092	0.098	0.104	0.105	0.128	0.7	35	3
	prc1	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.7	32	13
	CEP152	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.6	7	33
	kif4a	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.4	100	120
	TUBGCP4	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.2	14	20
	nedd1	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.2	30	12
	dync2i1	0.0875	0.076	0.0915	0.088	0.0965	0.0975	0.0925	0.0935	0.101	0.1	not detected	11
	CKAP5	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.1	67	102
	dynll2	0.086	0.111	0.077	0.102	0.09	0.08	0.086	0.085	0.104	0.1	411	60
	dync2i2	0.089	0.081	0.1	0.099	0.106	0.098	0.09	0.087	0.095	0.0	not detected	35
	TUBGCP3	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.0	33	10
	KATNB1	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.0	20	108
	dynlt1	0.086	0.1	0.114	0.09	0.09	0.07	0.083	0.085	0.093	0.0	138	49
	dync1i2	0.091	0.104	0.104	0.073	0.081	0.106	0.091	0.089	0.092	0.0	232	48
	PCNT	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.0	16	23
	NPM2	0.08	0.10	0.08	0.12	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.09	0.0	1181	116
	dync2li1	0.086	0.074	0.084	0.086	0.089	0.091	0.082	0.081	0.091	0.0	43	4
	CLASP1	0.09	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	-0.1	15	48
	TUBGCP2	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	-0.1	59	22
	dync1li2	0.097	0.089	0.099	0.104	0.094	0.099	0.091	0.094	0.086	-0.1	26	27
	dynll1	0.099	0.101	0.094	0.096	0.092	0.105	0.089	0.093	0.089	-0.1	51	130
	NEK9	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.08	-0.2	45	27
	TACC3	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	-0.2	115	117
	TUBGCP6	0.10	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.08	-0.3	8	14
	NPM3	0.11	0.09	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	-0.3	150	70
	KATNA1	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	-0.3	63	30
	NPM1	0.12	0.09	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	-0.6	308	102
	TUBGCP5	not detected										24	not detected
	KATNAL1	not detected										5	not detected
	KATNAL2	not detected										not detected	22

Table 1. Centrosomal components during meiotic divisions. Expression patterns of the components of the centrioles and the pericentriolar material. The changes in protein abundance are color-coded: unchanged=white, decreased=blue, increased=light orange. The estimation of the protein and mRNA concentrations was derived by published datasets and color-coded on a white-green scale for protein concentrations and on a white-yellow scale for mRNA concentrations.

Table 1-table supplement 1

Table 1-table supplement 1. Phosphorylation patterns of centrosomal proteins during meiotic divisions. **(A-E)** The levels of phosphorylation sites of STIL (**A**), CEP97 (**B**), Tubg1 (**C**), TubGCP3 and 6 (**D**), CEP192 (**E**) during meiotic divisions are plotted. The peptide sequences are reported with the phosphorylation sites marked in bold. The number of the residue phosphorylated is reported between breakers according to the *Xenopus* and human nomenclature.