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Background

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- 2012 JSPS Ikushi Prize
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Research

Microorganisms utilize various metabolic regulation systems to maintain their homeostatis. Focusing on the biosynthesis and metabolism of amino acids and (short chain) fatty acids, we analyze the metabolic regulation through feedback inhibition, transcriptional regulation, and protein-protein interaction. In addition, protein acylation on lysine residues, which is one of the most common post-translational modifications, is considered to be involved in metabolic regulation. We aim to clarify the complex regulatory mechanism of metabolism using biochemical, genetic, and structural biological approach.

Key papers

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