yses concerning plant defensive strategies should consider how plants can safeguard themselves against severe herbivore injury by attracting predators or parasitoids (18). The terpenoids are reliable cues for the parasitoids because they are closely associated with herbivore damage and they are released even during the frequent pauses in eating by the caterpillars (Fig. 2). We do not yet know whether the induced reaction is limited to the damaged sites, or whether it is systemic as has been shown in other studies (19, 20).

Our results indicate an active release of chemicals by plants that is exploited by hostsearching parasitoids. It is likely that the terpenoids and indole are involved in other types of interactions as well. They may, for example, act as oviposition deterrents for herbivorous insects searching for sites to deposit their eggs or function in communication between plants (20, 21). More knowledge about the injury-dependent production of airborne semiochemicals by plants may point to new possibilities for biological control of pest insects.

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cm long; 3 cm inner diameter) which contained the odor source. The second part tapered into a 4-cm long, 0.25-inch outer diameter, outlet. Both parts had fitting ball joints that were clamped together. Super Q (12) traps were connected to the outlet with brass Swagelock fittings containing teflon fer-ules. Air passed through the chambers at a rate of 300 ml/min. The air was pushed in at the inlet side and pulled at the outlet, such that the pressure inside the system was slightly higher than outside. See T.

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## Increase of the Catalytic Activity of Phospholipase C- $\gamma$ 1 by Tyrosine Phosphorylation

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Phospholipase C- $\gamma 1$  (PLC- $\gamma 1$ ), an isozyme of the phosphoinositide-specific phospholipase C family, which occupies a central role in hormonal signal transduction pathways, is an excellent substrate for the epidermal growth factor (EGF) receptor tyrosine kinase. Epidermal growth factor elicits tyrosine phosphorylation of PLC-γ1 and phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate hydrolysis in various cell lines. The ability of tyrosine phosphorylation to activate the catalytic activity of PLC-yl was tested. Tyrosine phosphorylation in intact cells or in vitro increased the catalytic activity of PLC-y1. Also, treatment of EGF-activated PLC-y1 with a tyrosine-specific phosphatase substantially decreased the catalytic activity of PLC-y1. These results suggest that the EGF-stimulated formation of inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate and diacylglycerol in intact cells results, at least in part, from catalytic activation of PLC-yl through tyrosine phosphorylation.

INCE IT WAS RECOGNIZED THAT INOsitol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (Ins 1,4,5-P<sub>3</sub>) and diacylglycerol (DAG) are important intracellular second messengers in hormonal regulation of various cellular functions (1, 2), considerable effort has been invested in dissecting the molecular events that underlie receptor modulation of phosphoinositide-specific phospholipase С

(PLC) activity. A variety of receptor-PLC coupling systems are modulated by bacterial toxins, aluminum fluoride, and analogs of guanosine triphosphate (GTP) reagents that are believed to modify the actions of guanine nucleotide binding proteins (G proteins). As a result, it has been suggested that these hormones modulate PLC activity by a G protein-mediated mechanism (3). In conFig. 1. Increased catalytic activity in PLC-y1 immunoprecipitates from EGF-treated A-431 cells. PLC-y1 was immunoprecipitated from the cytosol of A-431 cells treated without or with EGF. (A) PLC activity in the immunoprecipitates was measured with [3H]PtdIns and [3H]PtdIns 4,5-P2 as the substrates. (B) The relative amount of PLC-y1 protein present in the immunoprecipitates from (A) was estimated by immunoblot analysis with monoclonal antibodies to PLC-y1 (anti-



PLC-y1). The star indicates the band corresponding to PLC-y1. The lower band is anti-PLC-y1 used in the immunoprecipitation.

trast, findings (4) suggest that EGF and other growth factors may modulate PLC activity by direct covalent modification of PLC-y1. Several observations suggest that tyrosine phosphorylation of PLC-yl regulates its catalytic activity: (i) EGF receptor tyrosine kinase activity is essential for growth factor-stimulated phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate (PtdIns 4,5-P2) hydrolysis (5); (ii) the time course of PLC- $\gamma$ l tyrosine phosphorylation in intact cells coincides with that of EGF-induced Ins 1,4,5-P3 formation (6); (iii) the stoichiometry of PLC-yl tyrosine phosphorylation in EGFtreated cells is high (>50%) (7, 8); (iv) there is a correlation between the capacity of EGF to stimulate PLC-yl tyrosine phosphorylation and its capacity to induce Ins 1,4,5-P<sub>3</sub> formation (9, 10); and (v) overexpression of PLC-yl increases the formation of Ins 1,4,5-P3 in platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF)-treated cells (11). However, there has been no direct demonstration that tyrosine phosphorylation actually alters the catalytic activity of PLC- $\gamma$ 1. Herein, we show that phosphorylation of PLC-yl increased its catalytic activity.

PLC-yl can be immunoprecipitated from cell extracts with isozyme-specific monoclonal antibodies (12). Therefore, we measured the catalytic activity of PLC-y1 in immunoprecipitates from control and EGF-treated A-431 cells (13), using <sup>3</sup>H-labeled PtdIns 4,5-P<sub>2</sub> or PtdIns as the substrate (Fig. 1A). Cells treated with EGF displayed a threefold increase in PLC activity. In similar experiments, the EGF-induced stimulation of PLC-yl activity varied from threefold to sixfold (n = 6). Immunoblot analysis of PLC-yl in the immunoprecipitates revealed no significant difference in the amount of the PLC-yl protein recovered from control and EGF-treated cells (Fig. 1B). This result

Fig. 2. Phosphorylation and activation of PLĆ-yl in vitro by the EGF receptor tyrosine kinase. (A) Immunoprecipitates of PLC-yl from nonstimulated A-431 cells were incubated with both EGF-receptor and ATP (•), EGF-receptor alone ( $\blacktriangle$ ), or ATP alone (
), and the PLC activity of the immunoprecipitates was measured. (B) PLC-yl immunoprecipitated from nonstimulated A-431 cells was incubated with  $[\gamma^{-32}P]ATP$ in the absence (lanes 1 and

PTPase. (A) Immuno-

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indicated that EGF stimulation of A-431 cells produced an increase in PLC-y1 catalytic activity.

Because EGF treatment of A-431 cells increases phosphorylation of PLC-yl on tyrosine and serine residues (10, 14), it was not clear that tyrosine phosphorylation per se activated this enzyme. PLC- $\gamma$ l is an effective substrate for phosphorylation by purified EGF receptor in vitro (14, 15); therefore, we used this approach for determining whether tyrosine phosphorylation of PLCyl increased the catalytic activity of the enzyme. Immunoprecipitates of PLC-yl from control cells were incubated with purified EGF receptor and adenosine triphosphate (ATP), and the PtdIns 4,5-P<sub>2</sub> hydrolytic activity was measured (16). Incubation of PLC-yl with EGF receptor and ATP increased PLC-y1 catalytic activity by threefold (Fig. 2A). The amount of PLC-yl activity detected after in vitro activation corresponded to about 70% of the PLC-yl activity recovered from EGF-treated cells. Neither EGF receptor nor ATP alone was capable of increasing PLC-yl catalytic activ-



3) or presence (lanes 2 and 4) of the EGF receptor. The phosphorylated proteins in the immunoprecipitates were separated by SDS-PAGE and visualized by autoradiography (lanes 1 and 2). Phosphoamino acid analysis of [32P]PLC-y1 from lanes 1 and 2 was performed (lanes 3 and 4). The PLC-y1 band is denoted by a star.



equivalent amount of cytosol protein from nonstimulated cells was also measured (O). (B) Phosphoamino acid analysis of <sup>2</sup>P]PLC-y1 from EGF-stimulated cells, treated without or with phosphatase: lane 1, no PTPase; lane TC-PTPase; and lane 3, CD45. The internal standards indicate the migration of phosphoamino acids P-Ser, phosphoserine; P-Thr, phosphothreonine; and P-Tyr, phosphotyrosine.

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ity. Nearly identical results were obtained in three similar experiments. Although there is a detectable amount of serine kinase activity in PLC-yl immunoprecipitates (Fig. 2B, lane 1), the purified EGF receptor preparation, which phosphorylated PLC-yl on tyrosine residues (Fig. 2B, lane 2), did not affect this coprecipitated serine kinase activity or the phosphoserine content of PLC- $\gamma$ 1. Therefore, it is unlikely that in vitro activation of PLC- $\gamma$ 1 by the EGF-receptor tyrosine kinase was mediated by activation of a coprecipitating serine kinase.

Finally, we sought to determine whether the activated enzyme could be deactivated by treatment with specific phosphotyrosine phosphatases (17) (Fig. 3). The activity of PLC-yl (immunoprecipitated from EGFtreated cells) was reduced by 73% after treatment with a truncated form of the 48kD T cell protein tyrosine phosphatase (TC-PTPase) (18). The average inhibition (n = 7) of PLC- $\gamma l$  activity was 49% and could be completely blocked by tyrosine phosphatase inhibitors (100 µM vanadate and 10 µM molybdate) (19). No effect on PLC-yl catalytic activity was observed with CD45 (20), a tyrosine phosphatase that dephosphorylates the autophosphorylated EGF receptor more efficiently than does TC-PTPase (19). Phosphoamino acid analysis (Fig. 3B) of phosphatase-treated PLC- $\gamma l$ prepared from <sup>32</sup>P-labeled, EGF-treated cells showed that TC-PTPase depleted phosphotyrosine from PLC-y1, while CD45 did not. In addition, TC-PTPase did not significantly alter the phosphoserine content of PLC-y1 (Fig. 3B, lane 2). Neither phosphatase altered basal PLC- $\gamma$ l activity (that is, from untreated cells), nor was there evidence of proteolysis of PLC-y1 after phosphatase treatment, as measured by immunoblotting (19). Furthermore, phosphatase phosphoserine-threonine-specific 2A, a phosphatase, significantly reduced the phosphoserine content of PLC-y1, but did not decrease PLC- $\gamma$ l activity (21). Thus, for EGF activation of PLC- $\gamma$ 1, tyrosine phosphorylation appeared to be the major regulator of enzyme activity. In contrast, a mitogen-stimulated increase in both phosphotyrosine and phosphothreonine is required to increase catalytic activity of MAP-2 kinase (22).

The capacity of EGF to modulate cell growth and differentiation requires that the EGF receptor generate an intracellular biochemical signaling cascade. Stimulation of receptor tyrosine kinase activity is a primary event in this cascade, and identification of substrate proteins that function in the mitogenic signaling pathway has been an obvious but elusive goal. Because EGF promotes PtdIns 4,5-P2 hydrolysis in intact cells, it has

been suggested that PLC is activated by an undefined mechanism after EGF treatment. We have demonstrated reversible modulation of PLC-yl activity by tyrosine phosphorylation and dephosphorylation. However, it remains to be determined whether additional proteins participate in modulation of PLC-yl activity. Because a number of proteins immunoprecipitate with PLC-y1 (10, 14), it is possible that they also influence the regulation of PLC- $\gamma$ 1 activity.

Formation of Ins 1,4,5-P<sub>3</sub> can be provoked by stimulation of tyrosine kinasedependent receptors or G protein-dependent receptors, such as bradykinin or purinergic receptors. Thus, two distinct biochemical mechanisms are utilized for the activation of PLC activity in mammalian cells. Distinct classes of receptors may activate specific PLC isozymes by various mechanisms, or there may be multiple mechanisms for the activation of one PLC isozyme, such as PLC-y1.

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 $\mu l$  reaction mixture that contained 200  $\mu M$  Ptd[^3H]Ins 4,5-P\_2 (20,000 cpm); 0.15% (w/v) ncorrelation of the second sec 70 mM KCl. The reaction mixtures were incubated for 10 to 15 min, and the reaction was terminated as described (6). Under these assay conditions, the PLC activities were linear with respect to time and protein concentration. The PtdIns hydrolytic activity in the PLC-γ1 immunoprecipitates (Fig. 1A) was 0.48 nmol/min/mg of cytosolic protein (nontreated A-431 cells) and 1.28 nmol/min/mg of protein (EGF-treated cells). The PtdIns 4,5-P<sub>2</sub> hydrolytic activities in the same samples were 3.24 nmol/min (-EGF) and 9.32 nmol/min (+EGF). Separate aliquots of PLC-y1 immunoprecipitates were subjected to SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) and immunoblot analysis. <sup>125</sup>I-labeled goat antibody to mouse IgG was used as the secondary antibody. Under the conditions of homogenization described above, 70 to 90% of total cell PLC- $\gamma$ l protein is recovered in the soluble fraction. The portion of membrane-associated PLC-y1 [G. Todderud, M. I. Wahl, S. G. Rhee, G. Carpenter, *Science* **249**, 296 (1990)] is minimized under these conditions. While the results reported are restricted to PLC-yl recovered from the soluble fraction, similar results demonstrating PLC-y1 activation by EGF were obtained by immunoprecipitation of PLC-yl from detergent-solubilized cells (S. Nishibe and G. Carpenter, unpublished data).
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by treatment with EGF (300 ng/ml, 10 min). Immunoprecipitated [ $^{32}$ P]PLC- $\gamma$ 1 was incubated with phosphatases for 90 min under conditions used for the experiments shown in Fig. 3A. PLC- $\gamma$ 1 was separated by SDS-PAGE and labeled proteins were transferred to Immobilon P. After visualization by autoradiography, phosphoamino acid analysis was performed on the bands that corresponded to PLC-

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# Kinetics of Gramicidin Channel Formation in Lipid **Bilayers: Transmembrane Monomer Association**

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Conducting gramicidin channels form predominantly by the transmembrane association of monomers, one from each side of a lipid bilayer. In single-channel experiments in planar bilayers the two gramicidin analogs, [Val<sup>1</sup>]gramicidin A (gA) and [4,4,4-F<sub>3</sub>-Val<sup>1</sup>]gramicidin A (F<sub>3</sub>gA), form dimeric channels that are structurally equivalent and have characteristically different conductances. When these gramicidins were added asymmetrically, one to each side of a preformed bilayer, the predominant channel type was the hybrid channel, formed between two chemically dissimilar monomers. These channels formed by the association of monomers residing in each half of the membrane. These results also indicate that the hydrophobic gramicidins are surprisingly membrane impermeant, a conclusion that was confirmed in experiments in which gA was added asymmetrically and symmetrically to preformed bilayers.

RAMICIDIN CHANNELS ARE MEMbrane-spanning structures that serve as prototypical models for studying mechanisms of ion permeation, lipid-protein interactions, and conformational dynamics of ion-permeable channels (1). The primary sequence of gA is (2):

## Formyl-L-Val-Gly-L-Ala-D-Leu-L-Ala-

The mechanism of gramicidin channel insertion into lipid bilayers is poorly understood because the membrane-spanning channels are formyl-NH-to-formyl-NH terminal dimers of  $\beta^{6.3}$ -helices, as suggested by Urry (3), whereas gramicidins dissolved in organic solvents exist as mixtures of parallel and antiparallel intertwined dimers and disordered monomers (4-6), depending upon solvent type and gramicidin concentration. Gramicidins therefore undergo conformational changes in their transition from dissolved molecules to molecules dispersed in water (7) and finally to membrane-spanning channels. Furthermore, as membrane-associated gramicidins exist in a number of (slowly interconverting) conformational states (8), it is not known whether the major pathway for channel formation involves the membrane insertion of (antiparallel) intertwined dimers with a subsequent formation of the  $\beta^{6.3}$ -helical dimer (9) or the transmembrane association of β-helical monomers residing in opposite monolavers (Fig. 1).

We addressed the channel formation problem by exploiting the following features of gramicidin channels: (i) gramicidin channels are symmetrical dimers (10), with a single predominant conductance state (11); (ii) sequence-substituted gramicidins form symmetrical channels (or homodimers) that have different conductances (12); and (iii) hybrid channels (or heterodimers) form between the chemically dissimilar analogs (12, 13). One can thus use the amplitude of individual channel events in a real-time assay to identify which molecules form each conducting event.

In 1.0 M CsCl, the conductances of gA and F<sub>3</sub>gA channels differ threefold because of the -CF<sub>3</sub> substitution in  $F_3gA(12)$ . When either gramicidin is added symmetrically to the aqueous solutions on both sides of a bilayer, a single characteristic channel type is observed (Fig. 2, A and B). When both gramicidins are added symmetrically, three channel types are observed (Fig. 2C), corre-

sponding to the two homodimers and the heterodimer (12).

When gA and F<sub>3</sub>gA are added asymmetrically to opposite sides of a preformed bilayer, all three channel types are again observed (Fig. 3, A through C). However, when the channel appearance rates are plotted versus time, the heterodimers dominate throughout all but the first few minutes (Fig. 3D). The homodimer appearance rates remain stable and may decrease slightly during the first few minutes. The dominance of heterodimers shows that under our conditions (6 to 15 pM gramicidin dispersed in water from a 15 nM solution in ethanol) most gramicidin channels result from the transmembrane association of  $\beta^{6.3}$ -helical monomers as outlined in Fig. 1A.

After 20 min, the membranes were broken and reformed in order to equilibrate both gramicidins between the monolayers. A large change in the channel appearance pattern occurred (Fig. 3C): the homodimer appearance rates increased, and the heterodimer appearance rate decreased (15).

Comparable results were obtained when only gA was added to one side, or to both sides, of preformed bilayers (Fig. 4). In these experiments, the gramicidin concen-



Fig. 1. Schematic representation of two gramicidin channel insertion mechanisms. (A) Dimerization of  $\beta^{6.3}$ -helical monomers (from each side of the membrane). Gramicidin monomers adsorb to each monolayer from the immediately adjacent aqueous solution and fold into  $\beta^{6.3}$ -helices (top), folded monomers insert into each monolayer (middle), and dimerize to form the channel (bottom). (B) Insertion of intertwined antiparallel dimers followed by unwinding to form  $\beta^{6.3}$ helical dimers. Intertwined dimers adsorb to each monolayer (top), insert to span the membrane (middle), and unwind to form the channels (bottom).

D-Val-L-Val-D-Val-L-Trp-D-Leu-L-Trp-D-Leu-L-Trp-D-Leu-L-Trp-ethanolamine

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