Changes in urinary metabolomic profile during relapsing renal vasculitis

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Supplemental Figures



Supplemental Figure S1. Renal scarring is evident at day 210 (week 30) after induction of EAV. WKY rats were immunised with hMPO or HSA and sacrificed at day 56 (week 8) or day 210 (week 30). The degree of renal scarring was assessed by staining tissue with picrosirius red and PAMS. (A) Picrosirius red staining was quantified by blinded image analysis. The median fraction of kidney tissue staining red was higher in animals analysed at day 210 than at the peak of acute glomerulonephritis at day 56. Data are presented as the median and IQR. (B, D) Representative images of picrosirius red stained kidney after (B) 210 days and (D) 8 weeks (x4). (C) Representative kidney section stained with PAMS in a rat with EAV sacrificed at day 210 (x20). Fibrous tissue is stained black.



Supplemental Figure S2. Binned 1D NMR spectra of rat urine at point of peak disease (day 56) and following induction of relapse with MPO/LPS (day 210). (A) PLS-DA weights plot for LV 1 showing key contributing NMR peaks to separation between HSA and MPO treated rats at day 56, with positive values indicating metabolites raised in MPO treated animals. Treated rats had increased TMAO, 2-oxoglutarate, citrate, betaine and DMG. (B) PLS-R rank plot of urinary NMR peaks at day 56 found to be positively or negatively correlated with histological glomerular damage score. Predictive peaks are labelled, including TMAO, 2-oxoglutarate, succinate, betaine, citrate and maltose. (C) PLS-DA weights plot for LV 1 showing key contributing NMR peaks to separation between MPO restimulated and saline treated rats at day 210, with positive values indicating metabolites raised in

MPO treated animals. Treated rats had increased citrate, 2-oxoglutarate, TMAO, carnosine and betaalanine. (**D**) PLS-R rank plot of urinary NMR peaks at day 210 found to be positively or negatively correlated with histological glomerular damage score. Predictive peaks are labelled, including TMAO, dimethylamine, 2-oxoglutarate, maltose, citrate and betaine.



Supplemental Figure S3. Comparison of the effect of treatment on urine myo-inositol:citrate ratio in the urine of patients with active renal vasculitis and those in remission. CYC=Cyclophosphamide; RTX=Rituximab; +/- implies that the group contains patients both receiving and not receiving corticosteroid therapy.

Supplemental Tables

Predictor	Sum of Squares	df	F	Sig.
Haematuria	22.77	1	35.511	0
DMG	0.10	1	5.915	0.025
ТМАО	1.89	1	5.651	0.028
ACR	48389	1	4.78	0.042
2-oxoglutarate	0.31	1	2.808	0.11
Citrate	0.53	1	1.592	0.222
Succinate	0.01	1	0.661	0.426

Supplemental Table S1. ANOVA of key day 56 factors discriminating between MPO and HSA

immunised rats. The existing markers (haematuria and ACR) are both significant (p<0.001 and p<0.05 respectively). Novel metabolite biomarkers DMG and TMAO are also significant discriminators at this time point (p<0.05).

Predictor	Sum of Squares	df	F	Sig.
2-oxoglutarate	0.09	1	7.11	0.024
Citrate	0.12	1	1.693	0.222
ТМАО	0.04	1	0.502	0.495
ACR	13348.41	1	0.475	0.506
Succinate	0.002	1	0.255	0.625
Haematuria	0.01	1	0.012	0.913
DMG	0	1	0	0.989

Supplemental Table S2. ANOVA of key day 210 factors discriminating between animals relapsed

with MPO and vehicle. The existing markers (haematuria and ACR) were poor predictors at this time point (both p>0.05). Of the putative urine metabolite biomarkers only 2-oxoglutarate was a significant predictor in this analysis.

	Vasculitis	Disease	Healthy		
	patients	Controls	Controls	p-value	
n	143	23	45		
Age (median, range)	63.3 (21-90)	62.2 (16-87)	53.9 (20-76)	0.002	
Male, n (%)	76 (53.1)	11 (47.8)	15 (30.0)	0.001	
Diagnosis, n (%)					
GPA	82 (57.3)	NA	NA		
MPA	44 (30.8)	NA	NA		
EGPA	10 (6.9)	NA	NA		
Anti-GBM disease	3 (2.0)	NA	NA		
Double Positive [#]	4 (2.8)	NA	NA		
ANCA specificity, n (%)					
Proteinase-3	81 (60)	NA	NA		
Myeloperoxidase	54 (40)	NA	NA		
Disease Characteristics, n (%)					
Active (renal)	28 (19.6)	NA	NA		
Active (extra-renal)	11 (7.7)	NA	NA		
Remission	104 (72.8)	NA	NA		
Kidney function, n (%)				0.5*	
eGFR <30	25 (17.5)	3 (13.0)			
eGFR 30-60	44 (30.8)	10 (43.5)			
eGFR >60	74 (51.8)	10 (43.5)	45 (100)		
Dialysis	10 (6.9)	0 (0)	0 (0)		
Immunosuppressive treatmen	t, n%				
Corticosteroids	88 (61.5)	4 (17.4)	0		
Cyclophosphamide	10 (7.0)	0 (0)	0		
Rituximab	6 (4.2)	0 (0)	0		
Other	56 (39.2)~	4 (17.4)	0		
None	42 (29.4)	17 (73.9)	0		

Supplemental Table S3. Details of cases used in human LC-MS analysis. *Comparing disease

controls and vasculitis cases. [#]Double positive for both ANCA and anti-GBM. ~Azathioprine,

methotrexate or mycophenolate mofetil, NA = Not applicable

	В	Std OR	Bias	S.E.	Sig	95 C.I.
Citric acid	-39.65	0.07	-9.704	32.382	0.037	-9.21 -0.87
Myo-Inositol	6039	9.24	1263.52	3322.589	0.001	1.44 5.72
Model constant	-0.046	0.05	0.184	1.157	0.973	-8.92 -1.72

Supplemental table S4. Binary logistic model of metabolite predictors with bootstrapping. The established model was bootstrapped (997 samples) to improve estimates of model accuracy. Bootstrapping confirmed predictors that were significantly altered in active renal vasculitis compared to cases in remission.

	Precursor	Product	Dwell	Collision	Cell	Polarity
	ion (m/z)	ion	Time	Energy	Accelerator	
		(<i>m/z</i>)	(ms)	(V)	(V)	
N-	194.1	91.05	20	15	2	+
Phenylacetylglycine						
N-	194.1	76.04	20	15	2	+
Phenylacetylglycine						
Betaine	118.09	59.07	20	25	2	+
Betaine	118.09	58.06	20	25	2	+
Creatinine	114.1	86.1	20	10	2	+
Creatinine	114.1	72	20	10	2	+
Creatinine	114.1	44.1	20	40	2	+
Dimethylglycine	104.07	58.06	20	15	2	+
Dimethylglycine	104.07	42.03	20	15	2	+
TMAO	76.1	58.1	20	20	2	+
Maltose	341.1	221.07	20	15	2	-
Maltose	341.1	161.01	20	5	2	-
Maltose	341.1	101.02	20	15	2	-
Citric Acid	191.02	111	20	10	2	-
Citric Acid	191.02	87	20	15	2	-
Myo Inositol	179.06	161	20	10	2	-
Myo Inositol	179.06	87	20	15	2	-
Oxoglutaric Acid	145	101	20	10	2	-
Oxoglutaric Acid	145	73	20	10	2	-
Oxoglutaric Acid	145	57	20	10	2	-
Glutaric Acid	131.03	113	20	10	2	-
Glutaric Acid	131.03	87	20	10	2	-
Succinate	117.02	99	20	10	2	-
Succinate	117.02	73	20	10	2	-
Glycolic Acid	75	75	20	0	2	-
Glycolic Acid	75	57	20	3	2	-

Supplemental Table S5. Collision energies used in LC-MS analysis.