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#### 30 Summary (145/150)

Here we present an approach to identify N-linked glycoproteins and deduce their spatial localization using a 31 combination of MALDI N-glycan MSI and spatially-resolved glycoproteomics. We subjected glioma biopsies to 32 on-tissue PNGaseF digestion and MALDI-MSI and found that the glycan HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 was 33 predominantly expressed in necrotic regions of high-grade canine gliomas. To determine the underlying sialo-34 35 glycoprotein, various regions in adjacent tissue sections were subjected to microdigestion and manual alycoproteomic analysis. Results identified haptoglobin as the protein associated with HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2. 36 thus directly linking glycan imaging with intact glycopeptide identification. In total, our spatially-resolved 37 glycoproteomics technique identified over 400 N-, O-, and S- glycopeptides from over 30 proteins, 38 demonstrating the diverse array of glycosylation present on the tissue slides and the sensitivity of our 39 technique. Ultimately, this proof-of-principle work demonstrates that spatially-resolved glycoproteomics greatly 40 complement MALDI-MSI in understanding dysregulated glycosylation. 41

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#### 43 Main text

#### 44 INTRODUCTION

Canine glioma is a spontaneous non-human intracranial neoplasm that has recently gained attention as a 45 viable preclinical model for comparative oncology.(Bentley et al., 2016; Hubbard et al., 2018; Koehler et al., 46 47 2018) Compared to neurosphere cultures and patient-derived homogeneous xenografts transplanted on immune-deficient mice, canine glioma offers a lesser "translational gap" with human glioma. Both human and 48 49 canine gliomas are highly heterogeneous and present similar histopathological, immunological, molecular, and clinical characteristics. Additionally, the animals are immunocompetent and they exhibit similar responses to 50 chemotherapy, radiotherapy, and stereotactic radiosurgery.(Mitchell et al., 2019) Further, being household 51 pets, dogs are exposed to similar environmental pressures as their owners and, like humans, are also 52 susceptible to various spontaneous malignancies.(Hubbard et al., 2018) Canine glioma can thus serve as an 53 54 intermediate model that can be exploited for preclinical evaluation of new treatments, providing putative candidates that not only are expected to have better chances of passing phase II clinical trials, but also will be 55 accessible to companion animals. Human glioma is a high-grade brain tumor with poor prognosis and 56

57 currently, the only two treatment options are FDA-approved: temozolamide and bevacizumab.(Dickinson, 58 2014) In an effort to address the lack of treatment options, the Comparative Brain Tumor Consortium has been 59 established to study the molecular, genetic, and histologic relationship between animal and human 60 malignancies in order to eliminate barriers in the integration of animals in all aspects of brain tumor 61 research.(Hubbard et al., 2018) The current work is thus expected to contribute to this effort.

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63 Protein glycosylation is a ubiquitous post-translational modification found on over 50% of the proteome. Classical types of protein glycosylation are N- and O-linked, which modify Asn and Ser/Thr residues, 64 respectively. (Moremen et al., 2012; Rudd et al., 2015) N-linked glycosylation can occur when an Asn residue is 65 found in the consensus sequon Asn X Ser/Thr, where X symbolizes any amino acid except Pro. N-linked 66 glycans have a core structure consisting of 2 β-N-acetylglucosamine residues (GlcNAc2) connected to 3 67 mannose units (GlcNAc2-Man3), which can be extended into complex, hybrid, or high-mannose structures. 68 These glycan structures are important in protein folding, stability, and cell-to-cell interactions outside of the 69 70 cell.(Pinho and Reis, 2015) Extracellular O-linked glycosylation is often initiated by an α-N-acetylgalactosamine (O-GalNAc) on Ser/Thr residues and is commonly referred to as "mucin-type O-glycosylation" since it is 71 frequently found on densely glycosylated mucin domains. O-GalNAc can be extended in monosaccharide units 72 to create large, branched structures that are important for cell adhesion, cell polarization, and again, cell-to-cell 73 interactions in the extracellular matrix (ECM).(Kufe, 2009; Pinho and Reis, 2015) Other types of O-74 glycosylation include O-linked β-N-acetylglucosamine (O-GlcNAc),(Hart and Akimoto, 2009; Khidekel et al., 75 2004) O- mannose, (Dobson et al., 2013; Larsen et al., 2019, 2017; Sheikh et al., 2017; Vester-Christensen et 76 al., 2013, p.) O-fucose, (Moloney et al., 2000) and O-xylose, (Li et al., 2017) among others. (Darula and 77 78 Medzihradszky, 2018) While we are only beginning to understand the latter forms of glycosylation, O-GlcNAc has been extensively described as an intracellular signaling molecule involved in cross-talk with 79 phosphorylation.(Hart et al., 2011; Leney et al., 2017) Finally, less commonly, GlcNAc has been reported to 80 modify Cys, creating an S-linked GlcNAc structure.(Maynard et al., 2016) 81

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Aberrant glycosylation is a classic hallmark of malignant transformation; this observation has been welldocumented and extensively reviewed.(Bull et al., 2014; Kufe, 2009; Pearce and Läubli, 2016; Pinho and Reis,

2015; Varki et al., 2015; Veillon et al., 2018) The mechanisms that produce these abnormal glycosylation 85 patterns are broad because glycosylation is a non-template driven process and is instead reliant on expression 86 of various glycosyltransferases, substrate availability, (Tachibana et al., 1994) chaperone function, (Hanes et al., 87 2017) and the cellular milieu.(Pearce and Läubli, 2016) As such, diverse glycan structures result from these 88 dysregulated systems. For instance, altered branching, (Dennis et al., 1987) increased fucosylation, (Noda et 89 al., 1998) and upregulated sialylation(Büll et al., 2018) of N-glycans has been linked to several cancerous 90 91 processes, (Thaysen-Andersen et al., 2016) including the progression of oligodendroglioma to glioblastoma. (Furukawa et al., 2015) Additionally, mucin-type O-glycans are often truncated and have been 92 typically associated with increased cell migration and tumor metastasis, due to a loss of cell polarization.(Kufe, 93 2009; Pinho and Reis, 2015) These shortened O-glycans comprise oncofetal antigens, neoantigens, and 94 altered levels of normal antigens. (Kudelka et al., 2020) Finally, one of the most widely observed changes in 95 glycan structures is an upregulation of sialic acid, (Varki et al., 2015; Varki and Gagneux, 2012) which limits 96 complement activation, (Blaum et al., 2015) engages inhibitory sialic acid-binding immunoglobulin type lectins 97 (Siglecs),(Hudak et al., 2014; Macauley et al., 2014) and reduces attachment of tumor cells to the basement 98 membrane.(Varki, 2008) These changes ultimately allow tumor cells to evade the immune system and 99 increase invasion, causing metastasis. Most of the changes listed here are tumor-specific or tumor-associated, 100 101 making them viable biomarker targets for glycan- or glycoprotein-based antibody or antibody-conjugated enzyme therapy.(Gray et al., 2020; Posey et al., 2016; Xiao et al., 2016) 102

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The importance of glycosylation in cancer and other pathologies has prompted the in-depth examination of the 104 105 glycome and the glycoconjugates that they modify. Mass spectrometry (MS) is the premier technique to probe the proteome, glycome, and glycoproteome. (Rudd et al., 2015; Thaysen-Andersen et al., 2016) Generally, 106 glycopeptides are then subjected to different types of fragmentation (i.e. tandem MS) in order to glean 107 108 information about the peptide and attached glycan.(Rudd et al., 2015) Some of the most common fragmentation techniques include higher energy collision dissociation (HCD), (Olsen et al., 2007) electron 109 110 transfer dissociation (ETD), (Syka et al., 2004) and supplemental activation with ETD (EThcD, (Reiding et al., 2018) AI-ETD(Riley et al., 2017)). With these techniques, it is possible to sequence a peptide, ascertain 111

information about the glycan, and (in some cases) localize the glycosylation site.(Riley et al., 2020; Shajahan
et al., 2020)

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Another MS modality, matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization (MALDI) MS imaging (MSI), allows for the 115 determination of the spatial distribution of glycans after enzymatic release from their protein conjugates. (Briggs 116 et al., 2016; Drake et al., 2017) In this technique, slices from fresh-frozen or formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded 117 (FFPE) tissues are applied to slides, followed by antigen retrieval, the addition of de-N-glycanase (PNGaseF) 118 to remove N-linked glycans, and coating of the tissue with matrix (e.g. 1,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB) or 119 alpha-cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid (CHCA)). The images are generated by rastering a laser across the 120 tissue slices, and the ionized glycans are generally analyzed in a time-of-flight (TOF) or ion cyclotron (ICR) 121 mass analyzer. (Briggs et al., 2016; Drake et al., 2017) One downside of this technique is that N-glycans are 122 identified primarily based on MS1 exact masses, so that the confidence of assignment is relatively low 123 compared to those techniques employing tandem MS. Another drawback is that only N-glycans can be imaged 124 because there is no enzyme that can perform universal release of O-glycans. Despite these drawbacks, the N-125 glycan analysis provides an estimation of the spatial distribution of the N-glycome and its changes in a tissue. 126 disease, and/or cell type-specific manner. MALDI-MSI of N-glycans has been used on ovarian. (Everest-Dass 127 et al., 2016) pancreatic, (Powers et al., 2014) and hepatocellular (Powers et al., 2015) cancer tissue samples, 128 and has demonstrated marked N-glycan changes in benign versus tumor regions. Further, it has also been 129 used for the generation of a classification model for colon carcinoma tissue microarrays.(Powers et al., 2014) 130 Some groups have also achieved in situ derivatization of different sialic acid linages, (Holst et al., 2016) 131 sequential PNGaseF/trypsin digestion of the same tissue, (Angel et al., 2017; Heijs et al., 2016) and 132 visualization of ECM proteins.(Angel et al., 2018) Taken together, MALDI-MSI is a powerful technique to image 133 the N-glycome. 134

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136 Recent developments in microextraction strategies in our laboratory coupled with MALDI-MSI have allowed us 137 to perform spatially-resolved proteomics on various biological samples from fresh frozen and FFPE 138 tissues.(Quanico et al., 2013; Wisztorski et al., 2013) This spatially-resolved proteomics strategy is 139 advantageous in that protein digestion and extraction are performed only on a restricted region of interest defined by a prior MALDI imaging experiment on a consecutive section. The strategy is essentially a solidliquid extraction method following micro-digestion which is done by depositing picoliter quantities of enzyme using a microspotter.(Quanico et al., 2017) This directed digestion and extraction is, in essence, a means of concentrating the analyte of interest by performing digestion only in regions where this analyte is present, thereby minimizing the amount of abundant proteins extracted. The maximum spatial resolution that this strategy can attain is highly dependent on the size of the microdigested spot.(Wisztorski et al., 2017)

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In the present work, we combine the power of MALDI-MSI N-glycan imaging with our microscale proteomics 147 technology to better understand dysregulated glycosylation in canine glioma samples. We first used standard 148 N-glycan imaging techniques to image N-linked glycans from the surface of various canine brain tumors, 149 finding that sialylated glycan structures were more common in the tumor and necrotic regions. We confirmed 150 this result using Sambucus nigra (SNA) lectin staining, which selectively stains sialylated glycans. Then, we 151 applied our microscale proteomics strategy to extract glycopeptides from tissue, which we hypothesized could 152 be used to assign peptide and protein conjugates to better understand our N-glycan imaging results. Using this 153 technique, we identified over 400 unique alvcopeptides from 30 alvcoproteins, including complex and 154 oligomannose N-glycosylated peptides. Several of the N-glycans were also found in the MALDI-MSI 155 experiments, thus providing us with evidence of directly linked N-glycan imaging with intact glycopeptide 156 sequencing. Surprisingly, we also identified other glycoconjugates, including peptides modified by mucin-type 157 O-GalNAc, O-linked GlcNAc, S-linked GlcNAc, and O-mannose. We used this information to demonstrate that 158 159 there is a significant increase in sialylated O-GalNAc structures in tumor/necrotic regions compared to benign. whereas there is significantly less S- and O-GlcNAc peptides in the cancerous regions. Taken together, this 160 proof-of-principle experiment has demonstrated that we can perform both MALDI-MSI and glycopeptide 161 analysis on FFPE tumor tissue to better understand the glycoproteomic changes in malignant transformation. 162

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### 164 **RESULTS**

## 165 MALDI-MSI shows sialylated glycans are enriched in necrotic regions

**Figure 1A** shows the ion distribution of the summed intensities of the sodiated and potassiated sialic acidcontaining N-glycan HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 across different glioma biopsies. Superposition of the summed

ion distributions with the H&E stained section shows that on both anaplastic oligodendroglioma and 168 glioblastoma samples, this glycoform is present in both tumor and necrotic regions but is highly abundant in the 169 latter (Figure 1B). In the anaplastic oligodendroglioma section (Figure 1B, left panel), the distribution extends 170 through the pseudo-glomerular vessels present along the margins of the tumor (indicated by dark blue arrows). 171 suggesting its possible relationship with vigorous and abnormal angiogenesis associated with high-grade 172 glioma. However, regions where both tumor and necrosis are present only show weak distribution (indicated by 173 green arrows). The same observation applies to the glioblastoma section shown in Figure 1B, right panel. In 174 this case, however, the glycoforms are also detected in the pseudo-palisading (indicated by yellow arrows). 175 Magnified views of the H&E images are shown in Supplementary Data 1. Additionally, a plot of the normalized 176 total ion current (TIC) intensity from spectra taken in various tissue regions, defined based on the H&E stained 177 images, confirms the upregulation of this glycoform in cancerous regions (Figure 1C). 178

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The acquired images were exported in SCiLS and principal component analysis (PCA) was performed. ROIs 180 where spectra were taken for PCA were defined using histological annotations from the H&E stained optical 181 images. The loadings plot results (Figure 1D) identified m/z intervals attributed to the aforementioned Na+ and 182 K+ adducts of the biantennary disialylated glycoform HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 (m/z 2245, 2261, 2267, 2283 183 and 2299) as well as the monosialylated glycoform HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc and its K+ adduct (m/z 1954 and 184 1970). The loadings plot also identified m/z enriched in tumor samples, including the fucosylated complex 185 glycoforms HexNAc5-Hex3-Fuc (m/z 1688) and HexNAc5-Hex3 (m/z 1542). On the other hand, notable 186 alycoforms enriched in the benign regions include the high mannose-type HexNac2-Hex5 and its potassiated 187 form (m/z 1257 and 1273). 188

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To confirm the glycoform assignments found using GlycoMod searches, we repeated the mass measurements on an LTQ-Orbitrap XL instrument equipped with a MALDI source. Collision-based MSn fragmentation was performed where possible (**Figure 1E**). MS2 of the precursor ion of HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, m/z 2245) leads to sequential losses of the glycan residues, starting with the first sialic acid producing the Y6 $\alpha$  ion with mass similar to HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc (m/z 1954.596, **Figure 1E**, top panel). This is followed by the loss of the second sialic acid, yielding the Y6 $\alpha$ , $\beta$  ion with a mass similar to HexNAc4-Hex5 (m/z 1663.580, middle panel). MS4 then leads to loss of the terminal GlcNAc (m/z 221.088) yielding the Y6-HexNAc-ol ion. Structures
of other glycoforms were also partially elucidated using their MSn spectra and are shown in Supplementary
Data 2, thus confirming their glycan identities as predicted by GlycoMod. The list of all glycoforms detected in
the glioma samples is provided in Supplementary Data 3. Additionally, we have compared our results to two
studies that performed structural N-glycan information in order to create a high-confidence glycan list.(Briggs et
al., 2016; Holst et al., 2017)

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## 203 SNA lectin staining reveals sialic acid-containing glycans in other tissue regions

In order to further verify the distribution of sialylated glycan structures in the necrotic region(s), SNA lectin 204 staining of consecutive slices was performed. Results for all of the biopsies are shown in Supplementary Data 205 4. Confocal images taken of the different regions of WHO grade III (Figure 2A) and grade IV (Figure 2B) 206 biopsies demonstrated that sialic acid was present in necrotic zones. Tumor regions and regions marked by 207 the presence of both tumor and necrosis show positive staining, concomitant with findings from the MALDI 208 imaging experiments. One glioblastoma sample (Figure 2B, bottom panels) showed very intense staining in 209 the tumor region, although the MALDI-MSI only showed moderate distribution of sialic acid-containing glycans 210 in this region. Benign regions, particularly the corpus callosum (Figure 2A, bottom panels) and choroid plexi 211 (Supplementary Data 4I), likewise show intense staining, although no sialic acid-containing N-glycans were 212 detected in these zones using MALDI-MSI. SNA stains for 2,6-linked sialic acids and does not discriminate with 213 regard to their origin. Thus, we suspected that the abundant SNA signal was derived from other sources, such 214 as O-linked glycans or glycosphingolipids. (Jennemann et al., 1990) To investigate this hypothesis, we turned 215 to the microscale proteomics technique that our laboratory developed. 216

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## 218 Spatially-resolved proteomic analysis reveals hierarchical clustering of benign and cancerous tissue

Regions of interest (ROIs) identified using both N-glycan MALDI imaging and SNA lectin staining were subjected to microdigestion by depositing picoliters of trypsin using a microspotter (**Figure 3A**). We began with biopsy tissues which resulted in the microdigestion of 11 benign, 4 margin, 11 tumor, and 7 necrosis samples. The samples were subjected to LC-MS/MS on a Thermo Orbitrap Fusion instrument with HCD, and the raw files were searched using MaxQuant (unmodified peptides) and Byonic (glycopeptides). Hierarchical

clustering of the protein groups identified by MaxQuant using the Andromeda search engine and guantified 224 using LFQ intensities showed that samples from the benign regions cluster distinctly from those obtained from 225 the tumor and necrotic zones (Figure 3B), whereas samples taken from the margins do not form a distinct 226 cluster. The overexpressed proteins of the "benign" cluster are associated with pathways related to synaptic 227 processes such as synaptogenesis, synaptic plasticity, synaptic vesicle endo- and exocytosis, transport, 228 docking and fusion, and long-term synaptic potentiation and depression (Figure 3C). On the other hand, 229 overexpressed proteins in the "tumor and necrosis" cluster are associated with cancer processes such as cell 230 proliferation, growth, division, metastasis and migration, as well as RNA splicing, apoptosis, and neo-plastic 231 growth (Figure 3D). 232

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## 234 Spatially-resolved glycoproteomic analysis links MALDI glycan imaging with intact N-glycopeptide 235 identification

The microdigested areas were then extracted with different solvent mixtures to maximize peptide extraction 236 237 and again subjected to LC-MS/MS on a Thermo Orbitrap Fusion instrument. Glycoproteomic analysis identified the glycopeptide MVSHHnLTSGATLINEQWLLTTAK from haptoglobin bearing the HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 238 239 glycan (Figure 4A). Non-glycosylated peptides of haptoglobin were also detected, both in necrotic as well as other regions, but the glycosylated peptide was only observed in necrotic regions. Unfortunately, this was the 240 only sialylated N-glycopeptide that we observed. Other N-glycopeptides detected include those bearing high 241 mannose motifs from ECM chondroitin sulfate proteoglycans such as neurocan (AnATLLLGPLR, Figure 4B), 242 members of the immunoglobulin superfamily such as neurofascin (IgCAMs), limbic system-associated 243 membrane protein (LAMP, IgLONs), contactin 1 (contactin CAMs), Thy-1 cell surface antigen (CD90), and 244 neuroprotective factor prosaposin. Interestingly, while overall numbers of N-glycopeptides were similar 245 between various regions (Figure 5A), the HexNAc2-Hex5 glycan was significantly enriched in the benign 246 regions (66 glycopeptides) when compared to tumor (18 glycopeptides, p<0.01 \*\*) and necrotic regions (25 247 glycopeptides, p<0.05 \*; Figure 5B). This correlated with our MALDI-MSI data, which demonstrated a marked 248 increase in HexNAc2-Hex5 glycans in benign regions. Finally, we observed several glycans modified by 249 fucose, as demonstrated in Figure 4C, with a glycopeptide from the antimicrobial protein myeloperoxidase. No 250 significant change between benign and cancerous fucosylation was observed. Additional annotated spectra 251

can be found in Supplementary Data 5 and a total list of all N-glycopeptides is provided in Supplementary
 Data 6. All raw files, Byonic search results, and hand annotated excel files can be found in the PRIDE
 repository with identifier PXD025537.

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## 256 Identification of diverse glycopeptides from spatially-resolved glycoproteomic experiments

This work was initially focused on finding glycoconjugates modified by the same N-glycans that we observed in 257 MALDI-MSI experiments. However, it was clear after SNA staining and the N-linked glycopeptide analysis that 258 there were other glycosylated species in the samples. Thus, we re-analyzed the data for O-linked mucin-type 259 glycans, which cannot be imaged by MALDI-MSI due to the harsh chemical conditions necessary to release 260 them. We detected a surprisingly large number of O-GalNAcylated peptides in the samples, all of which can be 261 found in Supplementary Data 6. Most of the glycans that we detected were tumor associated carbohydrate 262 antigens (TACAs), such as the T-antigen (GalNAc-Gal) and the sialylated T-antigen (GalNAc-Gal-NeuAc). One 263 example of this is shown in Figure 4D; the glycopeptide GVtAPAPR from protein phosphatase receptor type 264 Z1 (PTPRZ1, also called phosphacan) was modified by a disialyl-T antigen (GalNac-Hex-NeuAc2) and was 265 266 found in 5 of 8 tumor biopsies, in 3 of 5 necrosis biopsies, and in all margin regions. The same glycopeptide 267 was also detected with the T-antigen or sialyI-T antigen in some tissue regions (Supplementary Data 6). Mono- and disialylated core 1 O-glycans were highly expressed on ECM lecticans including brevican, versican, 268 and neurocan, and were also observed in fibronectin, fibrinogen, and apolipoprotein E. While we did not detect 269 a statistically significant change in O-GalNAcylated peptides between the benign and tumor/necrotic sections, 270 we did observe a significant increase in sialylated O-GalNAc peptides in the tumor (p<0.01 \*\*) and necrotic (p 271 <0.01 \*\*) regions (Figure 5C and D). Finally, while many of the proteins we observed have been noted 272 previously as O-glycoproteins, neurocan and oligodentocyte myelin glycoproteins had not. 273

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Further analysis of the glycoproteomic data revealed the presence of O-mannosylated glycopeptides, which is perhaps unsurprising because O-mannose accounts for up to 30% of brain O-glycans.(Dobson et al., 2013; Larsen et al., 2017; Sheikh et al., 2017) An example is shown in **Figure 4E**, which displays an annotated glycopeptide spectrum from PTPRZ1. The sequence LQVsHVLAPEGR bears a fucosylated core M1 type Omannose (Hex2-GlcNAc-Fuc) that contains a Lewis X structure. This glycopeptide was observed in 3 of 11

benign samples, 2 tumor and necrosis samples, and 1 margin sample. PTPRZ1 was previously identified as a 280 281 substrate for O-mannosyl glycosylation by O- mannose β-1,2-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase 282 (POMGnT1).(Dwyer et al., 2012) We also observed a peptide from cadherin 13, another known target of Omannosylation. (Vester-Christensen et al., 2013) The three other proteins that we found to be O-mannosylated 283 have heretofore never been described as O-mannosylated. These proteins include albumin, collagen alpha-1 284 chain, and KH-type splicing regulatory protein (Supplementary Data 6). We did not detect a statistically 285 286 significant change in O-mannosylated peptides between benign and tumor/necrotic regions (Figure 5E).

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Finally, intracellular O-GlcNAc glycopeptides were also observed, and were detected mainly on synapsin-1 288 and spectrin beta chain. Synapsin-1 was detected only in the benign regions, while spectrin peptides were 289 observed in the benign, margin, and tumor regions. Additionally, a glycopeptide (LDFGQGAGSPVcLAQVK) 290 bearing the rare S-linked glycan attached to a Cys residue, was detected predominantly in benign regions (7 291 out of 11 samples, Figure 4E). This glycopeptide is part of the bassoon presynaptic cytomatrix protein, a 292 293 structural protein found in the ribbon synapse, and is involved with presynaptic vesicle release.(Rutherford and Pangršič, 2012) The same S-GlcNAcylated glycopeptide, as well as others from bassoon, were described 294 295 recently by Burlingame and co-workers in the mouse synaptosome. (Maynard et al., 2016) Interestingly, and contrary to several other reports, we observed a significant decrease in O- and S-linked GlcNAcylation in the 296 tumor (p<0.05 \*) and necrotic (p<0.01 \*\*) regions when compared to benign tissues (Figure 5F). Taken 297 together, these data demonstrate that our spatially-resolved glycoproteomics technique can (a) link MALDI-298 MSI glycan imaging experiments to the associated glycoconjugate (Figure 4A-C), (b) allow for the detection of 299 a wide array of glycopeptide modifications (Figure 4), and (c) distinguish diverse and significant glycan 300 changes in benign, tumor, and necrotic regions (Figure 5). 301

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#### 303 DISCUSSION

Malignant glioma is the most common primary tumor in the central nervous system and has an extremely poor prognosis. Canine glioma is a good model system for human brain cancer because of their similar characteristics, including: spontaneous origin, high level of invasiveness, and poor clinical outcomes.(Hubbard et al., 2018; Mitchell et al., 2019) Since glycosylation is an aberrant feature of all cancers but has been studied

infrequently in glioma, this work was initially aimed at developing a MALDI-MSI workflow to visualize N-linked 308 glycans from canine glioma FFPE tissue. We based our protocol on several published studies, (Briggs et al., 309 2016; Drake et al., 2017) which allowed us to easily attain this goal. We noted that a biantennary complex N-310 linked glycan (HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2) was upregulated in necrotic regions, and a high-mannose N-linked 311 glycan (HexNAc2-Hex5) was enriched in benign regions. We note that we did not include NeuGc in our 312 analyses because it is known to be excluded from rat and mouse brain. (Davies and Varki, 2013) That said, it is 313 possible that some of the K+ adducts (+15.9740 with respect to Na+ species) we assigned could be NeuGc 314 species (+15.9949 with respect to Na+ species), and that our methods are not sensitive enough to distinguish 315 between them. 316

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Although mapping of the spatial distribution of N-glycans using MALDI-MSI is useful in many aspects, the 318 information that it can currently provide is limited. By nature of the technique, the N-glycans are removed from 319 the proteins that they modify, thus losing the intact N-glycopeptide/protein information. In an effort to address 320 this limitation, Heijs and co-workers developed a successive trypsin protocol after an N-glycan imaging 321 experiment to determine which peptides have been deamidated after PNGaseF treatment.(Heijs et al., 2016) 322 This provided insight into which proteins had been de-N-glycosylated; however, it does not directly link the 323 detected N-glycans with their protein conjugates. This information can only be obtained if the intact 324 glycopeptide itself has been detected and sequenced. Additionally, the technique is limited to N-glycans, since 325 these are the only glycans that can be easily and enzymatically liberated from the protein conjugate to be 326 327 visualized by MALDI-MSI.

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Thus, we reasoned that our spatially-resolved proteomics method, guided by MALDI-MSI glycan imaging, could potentially allow us to explain the global N-glycosylation changes observed in glioma histological specimens. In these experiments, the importance of spatial localization has to be emphasized. This is exemplified by haptoglobin, where many non-glycosylated peptides were found in all of the tissue sections we studied. However, the glycopeptide MVSHHnLTSGATLINEQWLLTTAK (N107 modified by HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2) from this protein was only detected in the necrotic region, which is also where the glycan HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 was found to be upregulated in MALDI-MSI experiments. Taken together, we have

demonstrated an experiment that directly links glycan imaging with intact glycopeptide identification. 336 Importantly, haptoglobin is a homodimer involved in the scavenging of iron Fe (III) and haptoglobin 337 glycosylation is becoming a major target in cancer research.(Zhang et al., 2016) Canine haptoglobin contains 3 338 putative N-glycosylation sites and shares conserved sequences with other mammals, including humans. 339 Specifically, N107 of canine haptoglobin shares identical flanking amino acids to N184 of human haptoglobin, 340 which has also been shown to be modified by biantennary complex N-glycans. (Fujimura et al., 2008; Zhang et 341 al., 2016) Unfortunately, this was the only sialylated N-glycopeptide that was detected in our glycoproteomic 342 analyses, likely because of the liable nature of sialic acid. Future experiments will include a derivatization step 343 to stabilize and differentiate  $\alpha$ -2,3 and  $\alpha$ -2,6-linked sialic acids. 344

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Conflicting results of SNA lectin staining with N-glycan MS imaging suggested that other types of glycans could 346 be present on the tissues, since SNA lectin does not discriminate between 2,6-NeuAcs derived from N- and O-347 glycans. We note that our technique is currently unable to probe for glyco(sphingo)lipids, which could have 348 349 also contributed to the difference in SNA staining. (Jennemann et al., 1990) But with regard to proteins, in addition to performing N-glycopeptide searches, the raw files were exhaustively searched for other potential 350 glycopeptides that were missed by the initial search, and these were manually annotated. Results revealed a 351 diverse set of glycopeptides including intracellular O-GlcNAc, extracellular O-linked mucin-type glycans, O-352 mannose, and, surprisingly, even the rare S-GlcNAc. The diversity of the structures detected highlights the 353 importance of using complementary tools to examine canine glioma in addition to N-glycan imaging, and also 354 355 emphasizes the need for development of other glyco-hydrolases for this approach.

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More importantly, the on-tissue spatially-resolved glycoproteomics results provided insight into dysregulated glycosylation in glioma. For instance, brevican is the most abundant lectican in the central nervous system and is known to play a role in glioma invasiveness and cell motility.(Hu et al., 2008; Lu et al., 2012) In particular, it has been shown that brevican has two glioma-specific isoforms –  $B/b_{sia}$  and  $B/b_{\Delta g}$  – that are generated by differential glycosylation and are absent from normal adult brain. While  $B/b_{\Delta g}$  is an underglycosylated proteoform, B/bsia is an oversialylated proteoform expressed by half of the high- and low-grade gliomas that the authors analyzed.(Viapiano et al., 2005) Interestingly, though, the authors did not investigate which sites may be modified by the sialylated glycans, leaving it ambiguous as to whether the glycosylation was N- or Olinked. In this study, we report four peptides from brevican modified by O-GalNAc glycans, several of which are modified by sialic acid (**Supplementary Data 6**). We did not find any brevican peptides modified by any other type of glycosylation. Thus, our data suggests that the B/b<sub>sia</sub> proteoform may result from an increase in sialylation of O-GalNAc mucin-type glycosylation.

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We also detected several other members of the hyaluronan-binding chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan family (of 370 which brevican is a member), including phosphacan (a splice variant of PTPRZ1), neurocan, and versican. In 371 particular, neurocan and phosphacan bind to neurons and are potent inhibitors of neuronal and glial adhesion. 372 As such, it has been established that the upregulation of both neurocan and phosphacan have negative 373 374 prognostic implications in glioblastoma. (Sim et al., 2009) However, the in-depth impact of their glycosylation patterns remains to be elucidated, especially in the context of glioma. To the best of our knowledge, neurocan 375 was previously unknown to be modified by mucin-type O-glycans. Here we show that neurocan is modified on 376 at least 3 different sites by O-GalNAc glycans, and that the majority of the glycans found in tumor and necrotic 377 378 regions bear sialic acid. As increased sialic acid is linked to increased invasion and metastatic potential, in part 379 due to electrostatic repulsion, it follows that increased sialylation of these proteoglycans could be a mechanism for the characteristically high invasion of glioma. (Pearce and Läubli, 2016) 380

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On the other hand, O-GalNAcylation and O-mannosylation of phosphacan has been reported using the 382 383 SimpleCell technology developed by Clausen and colleagues. (Larsen et al., 2019; Steentoft et al., 2013) We corroborate their results in a glioma system, demonstrating that phosphacan is modified in several locations by 384 various O-GalNAc and O-mannose glycans. Defects in O-mannosylation lead to abnormal neuronal migration, 385 and have been associated with a range of muscular dystrophies collectively called 386 α-387 dystroglycanopathy. (Dobson et al., 2013)  $\alpha$ -dystroglycan also forms complexes with ECM glycoproteins particularly laminin, and aberrant O-mannosylation of fully formed  $\alpha$ -dystroglycan due to the silencing of like-388 acetylglucosaminyltransferase (LARGE), in conjunction with altered integrin expression and regulated ECM 389 degradation, have been reported to contribute to the increased metastatic potential of epithelial cells.(de 390 Bernabé et al., 2009) 391

Finally, S-linked GlcNAcylation is a recently discovered type of glycosylation, and has been reported on a 393 limited number of proteins including Bassoon presynaptic cytomatrix protein. This protein was found in 394 bacterial glycopeptides(Stepper et al., 2011) and mouse and rat synaptosome.(Stepper et al., 2011) Our 395 proteomic data reveals the presence of unmodified Bassoon peptides in almost all samples from different 396 regions, but our glycoproteomics analysis demonstrates that the S-GlcNAc glycopeptide was primarily detected 397 in benign regions, and was rarely detected in tumor or necrotic regions. The canine peptide sequence is 398 conserved across mammalia and shares 94% similarity with the human sequence. Bassoon is present in the 399 ribbon synapse and acts as a scaffold that anchors the synaptic ribbon and vesicles to the presynaptic 400 cytomatrix. Recent reports suggest that Bassoon has other functions in the cytomatrix and may contribute to 401 synaptic plasticity. The third coiled coil (CC3) of bassoon binds to CtBP1, a transcriptional co-repressor that 402 can be shuttled from the presynaptic compartment to the nucleus during increased neuronal activity. The S-403 linked glycopeptide LDFGQGAGSPVcLAQVK is located in CC3. Mediation of transcription by glycosylation is a 404 well-known form of epigenetic regulation; thus, it would be interesting to investigate whether S-linked glycans 405 are utilized for the same function in cancer. If so, they may serve as more selective targets for treatment due to 406 407 the rarity of S-GlcNAc expression.

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Here we demonstrated the utility of spatially-resolved glycoproteomics in complementing MALDI-MSI N-glycan 409 imaging. We first showed that PNGAseF released N-glycans have differential expression in benign versus 410 cancerous regions using MALDI-MSI on canine glioma FFPE tissues. We then subjected the separate regions 411 to microdigestion followed by LC-MS/MS and exhaustive data analysis to show that: (a) intact N- glycopeptides 412 linked MALDI-MSI experiments to the associated glycoprotein, (b) a wide range of glycopeptide modifications 413 could be identified, and (c) we could distinguish statistically significant glycan changes in benign, tumor, and 414 necrotic regions. We note that this proof-of-principle experiment can be applied to any other FFPE bio-banked 415 samples to identify diagnostic or prognostic indicators of various diseases. We envision that our MALDI N-416 glycan imaging and spatially-resolved glycoproteomics workflow will find use in identifying targets for 417 therapeutic intervention. 418

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#### 420 Significance (158/300)

Aberrant glycosylation is a universal feature of cancer; however, we are only beginning to truly understand how 421 cell surfaces change with malignant transformation. MALDI mass spectrometry imaging (MSI) has been 422 gaining attention for investigation of changes in N-glycosylation in various cancers. However, one drawback of 423 this method is that the N-glycans have to be removed from the underlying protein, thus losing that structural 424 information. Here, we overcome this challenge, by first performing MALDI-MSI of N-glycans in canine glioma 425 samples. We then used this information to guide an intact microscale glycoproteomics experiment. In doing so, 426 we were able to directly tie MALDI-MSI N-glycan data to the underlying glycoprotein. Surprisingly, we also 427 found several other types of glycosylation in our experiment, ranging from mucin-type O-GalNAc to intracellular 428 O-GlcNAc. This allowed us to determine statistically significant changes in glycopeptides across cancerous 429 versus non-cancerous regions. Taken together, these experiments represent a unique mechanism to 430 understand spatial changes in altered glycosylation in cancer. 431

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#### 449 **FIGURE LEGENDS**

Figure 1. MALDI-MSI of N-glycans. A) Summed ion images of Na+ and K+ adducts of HexNAc4-Hex5-450 NeuAc2 on canine glioma biopsies. Images were generated using SCiLS Lab. B) Superposition of MALDI-MSI 451 glycan images with H&E-stained adjacent sections. Arrows and dashed lines indicate regions annotated by the 452 pathologist. Legend: red, green, yellow, and dark blue arrows represent necrotic regions, tumor regions, 453 pseudo-glomerular vessels, and pseudopallisading necroses, respectively. Dashed lines indicate tumor 454 margins. C) Normalized intensity of total ion signals of the combined Na+ and K+ adducts of HexNAc4-Hex5-455 NeuAc2 species from necrosis, benign, and tumor samples. D) PCA loadings of detected glycans in MSI 456 analysis. E) MSn spectra of HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2 confirming its structure. 457

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Figure 2. SNA staining of tissue slices. Confocal fluorescent images taken at pathologist-annotated regions present in oligodendroglioma (WHO grade III, A) and glioblastoma (WHO grade IV, B) samples. H&E stains (left) present for comparison to fluorescent images (right). The sections were incubated in 1% BSA (w/v) in 300  $\mu$ L of PBS for 30 min at RT, then incubated in 10  $\mu$ g/mL of SNA lectin for 2 h. Slides were then rinsed for 10 min 3x with 1% BSA in PBS, then incubated in approximately 300  $\mu$ L of DAPI for 20 min. Confocal images were obtained using a fluorescence microscope (Leica Biosystems). Images taken from separate adjacent sections that were incubated without the lectin serve as controls. Scale bars = 100  $\mu$ m.

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Figure 3. Spatially-resolved proteomic analysis of tissue slices. A) Zoomed optical images of sample microspots from each ROI after microdigestion using the CHIP-1000 printer. Scale bars = 200  $\mu$ m. B) Hierarchical clustering of protein identifications with ANOVA-significant (p < 0.01) differential expression across the different ROIs, using the LFQ intensities calculated by MaxQuant. C) Selected overrepresented pathways in the "benign" cluster (pink, Figure 3B). D) Selected overrepresented pathways in the "necrosis and tumor" cluster (blue, Figure 3B).

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Figure 4. Spatially-resolved glycoproteomics identifies several types of glycosylation. All microdigested samples were subjected to LC-MS/MS analysis on a Thermo Orbitrap Fusion Tribrid, and peptides were fragmented using HCD. Note that in the case of O-glycosylation, the site of modification is only localized

because there was only one possible site of modification. Spectra were annotated manually to confirm glycan 477 composition, peptide sequence, and (if possible) site localize the glycan. A) Haptoglobin peptide 478 MVSHHnLTSGATLINEQWLLTTAK bearing the complex, disialylated glycan HexNAc4-Hex5-NeuAc2. B) 479 Peptide from neurocan, AnATLLLGPLR, modified with an N-linked high mannose (HexNAc2-Hex5) structure. 480 C) Myeloperoxidase peptide SYnDSVDPR modified with a fucosylated paucimannose N-glycan (HexNAc2-481 Hex3-Fuc). D) Protein tyrosine phosphatase receptor Z1 peptide GVtAPAPR modified with a disialylated, core 482 1 structure (HexNAc-Hex-NeuAc2). E) Another protein tyrosine phosphatase receptor Z1 peptide, 483 LQVsHVLAPEGR, modified with an extended O-mannose glycan (Hex2-HexNAc-Fuc). F) Bassoon 484 presynaptic cytomatrix protein peptide LDFGQGAGSPVcLAQVK was modified by an S-linked GlcNAc. For 485 additional spectra and peptide information, please see Supplementary Data 5 and 6. 486

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Figure 5. Statistical analysis of glycopeptide changes between samples. For all samples, a 3-way 488 ANOVA test was performed in GraphPad PRISM, wherein (\*) indicates a p value of <0.05, and (\*\*) indicates a 489 p value of <0.01. A) The total number of N-glycopeptides was not found to be significantly different between 490 the three types of samples. B) The number of glycopeptides modified by HexNAc2-Hex5 was found to be 491 significantly higher in the benign samples compared to both tumor and necrotic regions. C) The total number of 492 O-GalNAcylated peptides was not was not found to be significantly changed between the three regions. D) The 493 number of sialylated O-GalNAc glycopeptides was significantly increased in tumor and necrotic regions when 494 compared to benign. E) The total number of O-Mannosylated peptides was not was not found to be 495 significantly changed between the three regions. F) S- and O-linked GlcNAcylated peptides were significantly 496 decreased in both tumor and necrotic regions when compared to benign. 497

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## 505 STAR METHODS

#### 506 **RESOURCE AVAILABILITY**

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#### 510 Materials Availability

511 This study did not generate any new materials.

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### 513 Data Availability

This study did not generate any new unique reagents. MALDI-MSI data files are available on the PRIDE repository with identifier PXD025826. All glycoproteomic raw files and search results are available on the PRIDE repository with identifier PXD025537.

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#### 518 EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS

The study was performed with the approval and in accordance with the guidelines of the Oncovet ethical committee. Biopsies were taken from dog patient samples at the Oncovet Clinic with the approved consent of their owners. The biopsies were immediately subjected to formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedding using standard protocols. An overview of the characteristics of dog patients and collected biopsies can be found in **Supplementary Data 7**.

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#### 525 METHOD DETAILS

#### 526 MALDI-MSI

Sections (8 μm thick) were taken from the FFPE blocks using a microtome (Leica Biosystems, Nanterre, France) and mounted on indium/tin oxide-coated slides (ITO, LaserBioLabs, Sophia-Antipolis, France). The ITO slides were pre-treated by pipetting 1.5 mL of polylysine solution on the conductive surface and incubating at room temperature for 5 min. The treatment was performed twice and dried under a heat gun then dipped in HPLC water. The mounted sections were heated at 60 °C on a slide heater for 1 h. While the slides were still hot, the sections were dewaxed in xylene and rehydrated following standard procedures.(Angel et al., 2018) The slides were then subjected to antigen retrieval by incubating in 20 mM Tris-HCl (pH = 9) at 95 °C for 1h, followed by rinsing in HPLC water. PNGaseF (New England Biosystems) was subjected to dialysis by pipetting 40  $\mu$ L of PNGaseF onto a PVDF membrane at set on top of 200 mL of water. The buffer exchange was allowed to proceed for 2 h at RT. The PNGaseF was then rehydrated and sprayed onto tissue slices at a rate of 10  $\mu$ L/min for a total of 15 layers. The slides were placed in a humidified chamber and left overnight at 37 °C. After the reaction, DHB matrix was sublimated onto the sections at 140 °C for 10 min, which leads to an average of 0.424 mg matrix deposited per cm<sup>2</sup> based on three independent measurements.

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MS imaging of tissue slices was performed using a RapiFlex MALDI TOF instrument (Bruker Daltonics, 541 Bremen, Germany). Images were acquired at 70 µm resolution scanning at m/z 700-3,200 with the Smartbeam 542 3D laser firing at a frequency of 10 kHz. Each spectrum was recorded after accumulating 1,000 laser shots per 543 spot. The laser ablation pattern was set at M5 at a 35 x 35 µm scan range. The ion source voltage was set to 544 19.984 kV, while the PIE and lens were at 2.608 and 12.366 kV, respectively. The reflectors were set at 545 20.663, 1.112 and 8.558 kV. Matrix suppression by deflection up to m/z 240 was activated. The reflector 546 detector gain and sampling rate were kept constant on all imaging acquisitions. Additionally, high-resolution 547 MS1 spectra were acquired using a MALDI LTQ orbitrap XL instrument (ThermoFisher Scientific, Bremen, 548 Germany) operated at 30.000 FWHM at m/z 400. Glycans were detected as sodiated or potassiated adducts in 549 positive mode. Spectra were acquired directly on-tissue and were averaged from 10 scans with each scan 550 composed of 1 µscan acquired at 1 µscan/step and 10 laser shots. All MALDI MSI data have been deposited 551 to the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE partner repository with the dataset identifier PXD025826. 552

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Following intact MS1 analyses, the Glycomod tool (https://web.expasy.org/glycomod/) was initially used to predict the structure and composition of the observed N-glycans from the full MS spectra recorded at high mass accuracy, with the searches performed at 10 ppm mass tolerance. All monosaccharides were allowed except for NeuGc, which is known to be excluded from rat and mouse brain.(Davies and Varki, 2013) Only the GlycoMod hits that were listed in "GlyConnect" were considered for further analysis. With putative glycan structure information in-hand, the MS images were uploaded on SCiLS Lab version 2016b (Bruker Daltonics). The baseline was calculated using the top hat method. The ion distributions (as sodiated or potassiated

adducts) of the glycans were mapped by plotting the signal intensities in all spectra normalized against the 561 total ion count followed by application of weak hotspot removal. These ion distributions were plotted at ±0.250 562 Da m/z intervals, and the intervals were used for peak alignment and further analysis. Optical images of the 563 H&E-stained adjacent sections were uploaded to the software and co-registered with the corresponding MS 564 images. These H&E images were used to refine the regions of interest (ROIs) in each tissue section where 565 spectra were extracted for Principal Component Analysis (PCA). ROIs corresponding to benign, tumor and 566 necrotic regions, where possible, were taken from each tissue section. The ROIs are shown in Supplementary 567 Data 8. PCA was performed using the first 5 components, corresponding to approximately 90% of the variance 568 explained, with the first component accounting for more 50% of the variance (Supplementary Data 8). 569

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#### 571 **MSn**

To confirm the glycan structure predicted by GlycoMod, PNGaseF-released samples were subjected to MSn 572 analysis using a MALDI LTQ orbitrap XL instrument (ThermoFisher Scientific, Bremen, Germany) operated at 573 30,000 FWHM at m/z 400. Glycans were detected as sodiated adducts in positive mode. Spectra were 574 acquired directly on-tissue and were averaged from 10 scans with each scan composed of 1 uscan acquired at 575 1 uscan/step and 10 laser shots. MSn spectra were acquired directly on tissue using a MALDI LTQ Orbitrap 576 instrument after images had been obtained. The MALDI LTQ Orbitrap XL is equipped with a commercial N2 577 laser (LTB Lasertechnik, Berlin, Germany) operating at  $\lambda$  = 337 nm with a maximum repetition rate of 60 Hz. 578 The hybrid configuration replaces the heated capillary of the electrospray source with a g00 that sends packets 579 of ions into a linear trap for collision-induced fragmentation (CID), with the fragment ions then being 580 concentrated in a C-trap and transferred to the orbitrap for high-resolution mass analysis. The maximum 581 energy per pulse was set to 12 µJ. Precursor ion isolation was performed using an isolation window between 582 ±1 and ±3 Da and the fragments scanned with a maximum accumulation time of 120 ms. Succeeding MSn of 583 the daughter ions were performed with a maximum accumulation time of 180 ms. External calibration was 584 585 performed using the ProteoMass MALDI Calibration Kit (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Quentin-Fallavier, France).

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## 587 H&E and Lectin staining

Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) staining was performed as previously described and slices were scored by a 588 licensed veterinary pathologist (Supplementary Data 1 for more information). For lectin staining, using a Dako 589 590 delimiting pen (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA), dams were created around tissue sections. The 591 sections were then incubated in 1% BSA (w/v) in approximately 300 µL of PBS for 30 min at RT, then incubated in 10 µg/mL of SNA lectin for 2 h. They were then rinsed for 10 min three times with 1% BSA in 592 593 PBS. The sections were then incubated in approximately 300 µL of DAPI for 20 min and rinsed with PBS for 5 min. Finally, two drops of Vectashield fluorescence mounting medium (Dako, Agilent Technologies) was added 594 and the sections were cover-slipped and sealed with nail polish. Confocal images were obtained using a 595 fluorescence microscope (Leica Biosystems). Adjacent tissue sections incubated in 1% BSA in PBS served as 596 controls. Zeiss LSM700 confocal microscope connected to a Zeiss Axiovert 200 M with an EC Plan-Neofluar 597 40x/1.30 numerical aperture oil immersion objective (Carl Zeiss AG, Oberkochen, Germany). Processing of the 598 images was performed using Zen software and applied on the entire images as well as on controls. The 599 presented pictures are representative of independent triplicates. 600

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### 602 On-tissue microdigestion

Regions of interest (ROIs) discerned using MALDI-MSI, H&E staining, and SNA lectin staining were marked on 603 adjacent tissue sections and optical scans were obtained for reference. Five spots were marked per ROI, and 604 these were digested by microspotting 20 µg/mL of trypsin suspended in 50 mM NH<sub>4</sub>HCO<sub>3</sub> using a chemical 605 inkjet printer (CHIP 1000, Shimadzu, Kyoto, Japan). Each spot was composed of 4 microspots spaced 100 µm 606 607 center-to-center, with each microspot produced by printing 13 droplets at 200 pL/droplet. By optimizing the waiting time between each pass, this yielded spots with diameters between 450-600 µm. The spots were 608 maintained wet for 2 h, after which, the sections were incubated at 37 °C inside an enclosed glass chamber 609 humidified with 1:1 MeOH/H2O for 1h. The sections were then dried under vacuum for 5 min. 610

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The following solutions were used to extract the digested peptides: 0.1% TFA in water, 4:1 ACN/0.1% TFA in water, and 7:3 MeOH/0.1% TFA in water. Each solution (3 μL) was deposited to cover all the digested spots for one region, and the extracts were manually pipetted 10x before recovery. This was repeated once before proceeding with the next solvent system. In cases where the spots were distant from each other, the total volume was divided per spot and extraction was performed separately. The extracts were then frozen in -80  $^{\circ}$ C and dried using a speedvac. The dried extracts were reconstituted in 10 µL 0.1% TFA in water, vortexed for 10 s and sonicated for 5 min. They were then desalted using C18 Ziptips (Pierce, Thermo Fisher Scientific) and taken to dryness in a vacuum concentrator.

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## 621 Glycoproteomic MS analysis

All of the glycoproteomic samples were analyzed by LC-MS/MS on an Orbitrap Fusion Tribrid (Thermo Fisher 622 Scientific) coupled to a Dionex Ultimate 3000 HPLC. The samples were reconstituted in 7 µL of 0.1% formic 623 acid in water ("buffer A"). Then, a portion of the sample (6.5 µL) was loaded via autosampler isocratically onto 624 a C18 nano pre-column using 0.1% formic acid in water ("Solvent A"). For pre-concentration and desalting, the 625 column was washed with 2% ACN and 0.1% formic acid in water ("loading pump solvent"). Subsequently, the 626 C18 nano pre-column was switched in line with the C18 nano separation column and injected at 0.3 µL/min 627 onto a 75 µm x 250 mm EASY-Spray column (Thermo Fisher Scientific) containing 2 µm C18 beads. The 628 column was held at 40 °C using a column heater in the EASY-Spray ionization source (Thermo Fisher 629 Scientific). The samples were eluted at 0.3 µL/min using a 90-min gradient and a 185-min instrument method. 630 Solvent A was comprised of 0.1% formic acid in water, whereas Solvent B was 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile. 631 The gradient profile was as follows (min:%B) 0:3, 3:3, 93:35, 103:42, 104:98, 109:98, 110:3, 185:3. The 632 instrument method used an MS1 resolution of 60,000 at FWHM 400 m/z, an AGC target of 3e5, and a mass 633 range from 300 to 1,500 m/z. Dynamic exclusion was enabled with a repeat count of 3, repeat duration of 10 s, 634 635 exclusion duration of 10 s. Only charge states 2-6 were selected for fragmentation. MS2s were generated at top speed for 3 s. HCD was performed on all selected precursor masses with the following parameters: 636 isolation window of 2 m/z, 30% collision energy, Orbitrap detection with a resolution of 30,000, and an AGC 637 target of 1e4 ions. All proteomic raw files have been uploaded to the PRIDE repository with identifier 638 PXD025537. 639

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### 641 Glycoproteomic data analysis

642 Glycoproteomic data analysis was performed as described previously.(Malaker and Ferracane, 2019) Raw files 643 were searched using Byonic by ProteinMetrics against the Uniprot *Canis familiaris* database (downloaded

November 2018). Search parameters included semi-specific cleavage specificity at the C- terminal site of R 644 and K. Mass tolerance was set at 10 ppm for MS1s, 0.1 for MS2s. Methionine oxidation (common 2), 645 asparagine deamidation (common 2), and N-term acetylation (rare 1) were set as variable modifications with a 646 total common max of 3, rare max of 1. Glycosylation was added in three separate searches to minimize search 647 times. In the first search, N-glycans were set as variable modifications (common 2), using the "N-glycan 57 648 human plasma" database. In the second iteration, O-glycans were set as variable modifications (common 2), 649 using the "O-glycan 6 most common" database. In the final search, an O-mannose database containing (Hex, 650 Hex-HexNAc, Hex-HexNAc2, Hex2-HexNAc-NeuAc, and Hex2-HexNAc-Fuc) was used for a variable 651 modification (common 2). Cysteine carbaminomethylation was set as a fixed modification. Peptide hits were 652 filtered using a 1% FDR. All Byonic glycopeptide search results are uploaded to the PRIDE repository with the 653 identifier PXD025537. Note that Byonic searches were used to assist in manual assignment of glycopeptides 654 but were not used to definitively assign glycan structures or the peptide sequence. All peptides were manually 655 validated and/or sequenced using Xcalibur software (Thermo Fisher Scientific). In addition to the Byonic results 656 and raw files, we have uploaded hand-curated excel files for each sample detailing: glycopeptide ID, mass 657 area for relative quantitation, calculated mass ppm, retention time, and protein. These excel files can also be 658 659 found in the PRIDE repository, identifier PXD025537.

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#### 661 QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

The raw files described above were also searched using MaxQuant with the following parameters: fixed 662 663 cysteine carbaminomethylation, variable deamidation of asparagine, and variable methionine oxidation. The Elsevier's Pathway Studio version 11.0 (Ariadne Genomics/Elsevier) was used to analyze relationships among 664 differentially expressed proteomics protein candidates using the Ariadne ResNet database.(Bonnet et al., 665 2009; Yurvev et al., 2009) "Subnetwork Enrichment Analysis" (SNEA) algorithm was selected to extract 666 statistically significant altered biological and functional pathways pertaining to each identified set of protein hits 667 among cluster 1 (overexpressed in tumor and necrotic regions) and cluster 2 (overexpressed in benign). SNEA 668 utilizes Fisher's statistical test to determine if there are nonrandom associations between two categorical 669 variables organized by specific relationship.(Kobeissy et al., 2016) Integrated Venn diagram analysis was 670 performed using "the InteractiVenn": a web-based tool for the analysis of complex data sets.(Heberle et al., 671

2015) See **Supplementary Data 9** for the listed differentially expressed pathways. Each table indicates the Entity designation, Relationship type, and Reference type. For statistical analyses used in Figure 5, one-way ANOVAs were performed for various glycan counts comparing benign, tumor, and necrotic conditions. For instances where p<0.05, Tukey's Multiple Comparisons post-hocs determined significantly different comparisons.

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### 678 KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER		
Biological samples				
Canine glioma biopsies	Oncovet Clinic	oncovet-clinical-research.com		
Chemicals, peptides, and recombinant proteins				
Optima LC/MS grade acetonitrile	Fisher	Cat# A955-4		
Optima LC/MS grade methanol	Fisher	CAS 67-56-1		
Xylene	Fisher	CAS 1330-20-7		
Trifluoroacetic acid	Biosolve	CAS 76-05-1		
Ammonium bicarbonate	Sigma	CAS 1066-33-7		
2,5 dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB)	Sigma	CAS 490-79-9		
Dako Mounting Medium	Agilent	Cat# CS70330-2		
4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI)	Sigma	CAS 28718-90-3		
poly-D-lysine hydrobromide	Sigma	CAS 27964-99-4		
bovine serum albumin (BSA)	Sigma	CAS 9048-46-8		
Biotech grade Tris buffer	Interchim	P/N UP158387		
Formaldehyde	Sigma	CAS 50-00-0		
HCI ampules, sequencing grade	ThermoFisher	Cat# 24308		
Formic acid ampules	ThermoFisher	Cat# A11710X1-AMP		
Fluoresceine-tagged Sambuccus nigra agglutinin (SNA)	Laboratory of Prof. Anne Harduin-Lepers (U Lille)	n/a		
Sequence grade modified trypsin	Promega	V5111		
Glycerol free PNGaseF	New England Biolabs	P0705S		
Ethanol, 200 proof	Fisher	CAS 64-17-5		
Pierce Ultrapure Water	ThermoFisher	Cat# 51140		
Deposited data				
Glycoproteomic .raw files	This Study	PRIDE ID: PXD025537		
Byonic glycoproteomic search results	This Study	PRIDE ID: PXD025537		
Annotated glycoproteomic results	This Study	PRIDE ID: PXD025537		
MALDI-MSI .raw files	This Study	PRIDE ID: PXD025826		
Software and algorithms				
Xcalibur software	ThermoFisher			
Byonic	ProteinMetrics	https://proteinmetrics.com/		
GlycoMod	ExPasy	web.expasy.org/glycomod/		
SCILS MALDI-MSI software	Bruker	https://scils.de/		
Other – Instrumentation				

Rapiflex MALDI-MSI	Bruker	n/a
MALDI-LTQ-Orbitrap	Thermo	n/a
Orbitrap Fusion Tribrid	Thermo	n/a
Dionex Ultimate 3000 HPLC	Thermo	n/a
Fluorescence microscope	Leica Biosystems	n/a
Centrivap vacuum concentrator	Labconco	n/a
Chemical inkjet printer (CHIP 1000)	Shimadzu	n/a

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