Monocyte adhesion to atherosclerotic matrix proteins is enhanced by Asn-Gly-Arg deamidation

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Deamidated VEGYSGTAGDSMAYHNGR

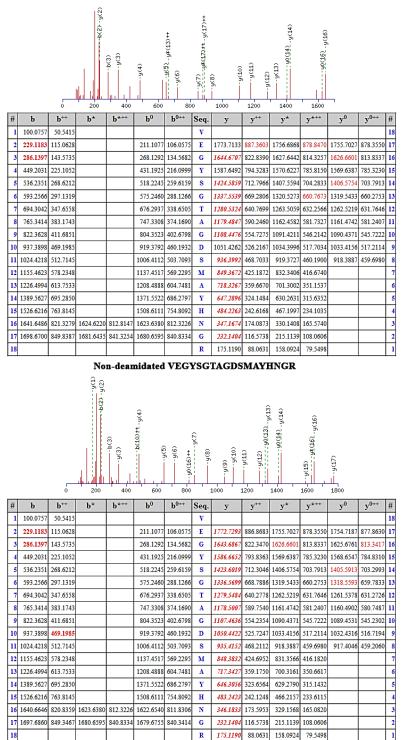


Figure S1: MS/MS spectra of TNC peptides showing both the deamidated variant (VEGYSGTAGDSMAYHN#GR) and native form (VEGYSGTAGDSMAYHNGR) as annotated by Mascot database search software. The deamidation site was identified with high confidence as being located between sequences (y2-y8, y10-y14 and y6). Each of the fragmented y-ions containing a deamidation site (y2 - y8) displayed a characteristic mass increase of 0.984 Da compared with the unmodified peptide.

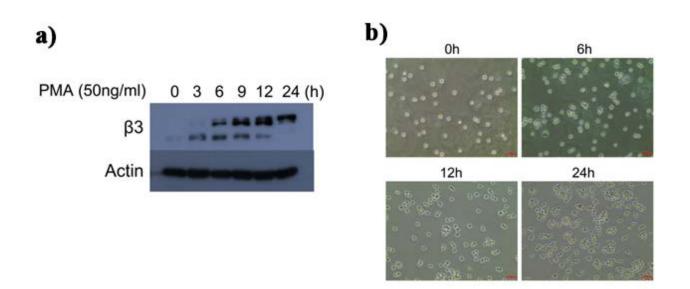


Figure S2. (a) Western blot analysis of integrin β 3 and β -Actin protein expression in U937 pre-monocytic cells stimulated with 50 ng/ml PMA for the indicated times. The full length blot was included in the Next page. (b) Macrophage-like morphology of U937 cells after 6h stimulation with PMA as visualized by microscopy.

Full unedited blot for Figure S2a: Western blot analysis of integrin β 3 and β -Actin protein expression in U937 pre-monocytic cells stimulated with 50 ng/ml PMA for the indicated times.

