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Trends in mass spectrometry imaging for cardiovascular diseases

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Table S1 Overview of MSI research on cardiovascular

| tissue | Species | Tissue | Sample preparation | Instrument and settings | Main results | Histology | Ref* |
|----------------|---------|--|---|--|--|-----------------------|------------|
| Lipid MALDI | Rat | Healthy heart | Frozen Washes DHB, sublimation | Autoflex III MALDI-TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 100µm Negative ionization mode | Ventricular myocardium: CL (<i>m/z</i> 1447.97) | H&E | [1] |
| | Rat | Healthy heart | Frozen AgNPs implantation | MALDI LTQ-XL Orbitrap, Thermo Fisher Lateral resolution: 50µm Positive ionization mode: 600-1100 Da, Negative ionization mode: 600-1700 Da | Vessels region: TAG (+) and PI (-) species Myocardium: PC (+), PE (+&-) and CL (-) species and fragments | n/a | [2] |
| | Mouse | Healthy heart | Frozen DHB, sublimation | MALDI TOF (homebuilt) Lateral resolution: 9.6µm Positive ionization mode | Hinge: <i>m/z</i> 600 Hinge and valve cups: <i>m/z</i> 741, 846 | H&E | [3] |
| | Rat | LAD ligation model; heart | Frozen DHB with(out) NaOAc, nebulizer | MALDI LTQ-XL Linear ion trap, Thermo Scientific Lateral resolution: 100µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 100-250 and <i>m/z</i> 200-2000 | Infarcted region: lysoPL Perfused region: Intact PL, creatine (<i>m/z</i> 132) | TTC | [4] |
| | Ovine | Healthy adult aortic valves | Frozen Washes DHB, sublimation | UltrafleXtreme MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 25µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 450-1800 | Differentiate fibrosa and spongiosa: PC(12:0/16:0) <i>m/z</i> 678.5, SM(d18:1/18:0) <i>m/z</i> 731.7, PC(16:0/16:0) <i>m/z</i> 732.6, PE(18:1/20:1) <i>m/z</i> 774.7, PC(18:0/22:5) <i>m/z</i> 836.7 | VVG | [5] |
| | | Healthy pre-natal aortic valves | | | | | |
| | Human | Aortic valve – pediatric donor tissue 0 to 14 years of age – healthy or diseased | OCT – frozen Washes DHB, sublimation | Apex-9.4-Qe FTICR, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: 20µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 450-1600 | Fibrosa: SM(16:0) <i>m/z</i> 703.6 Spongiosa: SM(18:0) <i>m/z</i> 731.6 | H&E | |
| | Mouse | ApoE ^{-/-} - high cholesterol diet – orally dosed with stable isotope labelled cholesterol Atherosclerotic aortic tissue | OCT – frozen DHB, sublimation or CHCA, acoustic droplet ejection | QTOF MALDI Synapt G2 HDMS, Waters Corporation Spatial resolution: 50µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 50-950 | Plaque and necrotic core: Free cholesterol (<i>m/z</i> 369.3514) Heart tissue: CE (<i>m/z</i> 649.5944) Lesion arterial wall and atheroma: LPC species (<i>m/z</i> 496.3394, 524.3699, 522.3538) Homogeneous: PC (<i>m/z</i> 758.5677) → Lp-LPA2 action | H&E | [6] |
| | Rabbit | Atherosclerosis model - aortic section | Frozen DHB, sprayed | UltrafleXtreme MALDI-TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: 30µm Dual polarity, 500-1200 Da | Calcified region: PA, SM, and PE-Cer species Increased in intima: SFA, SM, PI, PF, and lysolipid species | H&E, AR ORO IHC | [7] [8] |
| | Mouse | ApoE ^{-/-} , aortic sinuses | OCT DAN, sublimation or Silver sputtering | UltrafleXtreme MALDI-TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: DAN dual polarity, 40µm - Silver-assisted LDI, 30µm | Bulk of plaque: LPC (example: <i>m/z</i> 496.3) Plaque: Interior wall - PC species (example: <i>m/z</i> 804.5, 832.5), Cholesterol rich regions Aortic valve cusps: TAG species | ORO | [9] |
| | Human | Atherosclerotic carotid artery | Frozen - OCT DAN, sublimation or Silver sputtering | UltrafleXtreme MALDI-TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: DAN dual polarity, 100µm - Silver-assisted LDI, 100µm | Plaque: LPC species and ceramide species (<i>m/z</i> 616.4, 687.6, and 685.6) | H&E | |
| | Mouse | ApoE ^{-/-} , atherosclerotic aortic roots | Paraformaldehyde, CMC DHB, airbrush | Ultraflex II MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 25µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 400-1000 | Lipid rich: CE species (<i>m/z</i> 671.6, 673.6) Smooth muscle cells: PC species (<i>m/z</i> 804.5, 832.5) Calcified region: <i>m/z</i> 566.9 | H&E, ORO IHC | [10] |
| | Human | Atherosclerotic femoral artery | Frozen DHB, airbrush | Ultraflex II MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 50µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 400-1000 | Lipid rich: CE (<i>m/z</i> 671.6, 673.6) and TAG species (<i>m/z</i> 907.7) Smooth muscle cells: PC species (<i>m/z</i> 804.5, 832.5) Calcified region: <i>m/z</i> 539.0 | | |
| | Mouse | ApoE ^{-/-} , aortic sample | Frozen | Ultraflex II MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics | Atherosclerotic tissue: increase LPC and decrease | H&E, | [11] |

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| | | Human | Atherosclerotic femoral artery | DHB, airbrush | Lateral resolution: 50µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 400-1000 | arachidonyl-PC Arachidonyl-PC region: increase LPCAT3 expression | EVG IHC | |
| LIPID | SIMS | Mouse | Healthy heart | OCT - frozen | LA (New wave, Fremont, US) coupled to ICPMS (quadrupole, XSeries2), Thermo Fischer Scientific Spatial resolution: 160µm TOF SIMS IV, IONTOF GmbH - Bismuth liquid metal ion gun Lateral resolution: 33µm, <i>m/z</i> up to 800 | Right ventricle: higher Zn, Mn, Cu, Mg, and Ca Aorta: higher Fe Endocardium: choline and its fragment (<i>m/z</i> 104.21, 84.12), cholesterol fragment (<i>m/z</i> 146.97) | H&E | [12] |
| | | Rat | Healthy aorta | Frozen, freeze-fracture, free-dried | TOF SIMS IV & V, IONTOF GmbH Bismuth liquid metal ion gun Ion beam focus: 300nm | Intima and media (between lamellae): choline headgroup (<i>m/z</i> 184); Media (lamellae region): potassium, cholesterol (<i>m/z</i> 369, 385) | Toluidine blue/azan | [13] |
| | | Human | Atherosclerotic plaque | Frozen | Dual polarity | Intima: cholesterol (spots), PC and SM species Media: PC and DAG species | n/a | |
| | | Rat | Healthy heart | Frozen Metallization: gold sputtered | TOF SIMS TRIFT II, Physical Electronics, Gold liquid metal ion gun Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> up to 1500 | Aorta wall (<i>m/z</i> 667 and 840), Pericardium (<i>m/z</i> 334), Ventricles (<i>m/z</i> 175 and 213) Aorta wall, semilunar valve, endocardium: <i>m/z</i> 83 Pulmonary artery, right atrium, atrioventricular valve: <i>m/z</i> 145; Atria, aorta wall, atrioventricular valves, coronary artery: cholesterol (<i>m/z</i> 369, 385); Atria, aortic wall, aorta valve: <i>m/z</i> 86; Atria, aorta, pulmonary artery, atrioventricular and semilunar valves: choline (<i>m/z</i> 104) | H&E | [14] |
| | | Mouse | Healthy heart | | | Mouse similar patterns as rat | | |
| | | Human | Ventricle from failing left-ventricular free-wall heart explants | | | Myocardium: cholesterol choline (<i>m/z</i> 369), choline (<i>m/z</i> 104); Endocardium: choline (<i>m/z</i> 104); Pericardium: DAG species (<i>m/z</i> 549, 557) and ceramide (<i>m/z</i> 604) | H&E Sirius Red Trichrome | |
| | | Mouse | LDLr ^{-/-} model; Atherosclerotic carotid artery | Gelatin – Frozen | TOF-SIMS TRIFT II, Physical Electronics Gold liquid metal ion gun Dual polarity | Necrotic core: LPA species, cholesterol, phosphatidic acids, triglycerides | H&E IHC | [15] |
| | | Rat | Healthy heart | Frozen Silicon substrate | TOF SIMS IV, IONTOF, Gold liquid metal ion gun Lateral resolution: ~3.9µm Dual polarity | Complementary distribution of PL and CL species, 16 and 18-C FA species | n/a | [16] |
| | | | Healthy left ventricular cells | Isolated cells 25µl on silicon substrate | TOF SIMS IV, IONTOF, Gold liquid metal ion gun Lateral resolution: ~430nm Positive ionization mode | Cell membrane: phospholipids and cholesterol species | | |
| | | Human | Atherosclerotic carotid artery | Frozen | TOF-SIMS IV, IONTOF, Bismuth cluster ion source Spatial resolution: 1-2µm Dual polarity, <i>m/z</i> 1-1000 | Inner border: cholesterol (<i>m/z</i> 385), phosphatidic acids (<i>m/z</i> 650-750) and SM fragments (<i>m/z</i> 616, 642) Surrounding and thrombus: vitamin E (<i>m/z</i> 430) Intima: PI fragments | Masson Trichrome | [17] |
| LIPID | DESI | Human | Atherosclerotic carotid artery | Frozen CMC for sectioning | DESI stage (lab built) coupled to LTQ (Thermo Scientific) - Normal & Reactive DESI Spatial resolution: 200µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 150-1200 | Plaque: SM and PC species, and cholesterol Lipid core: CE species surrounded by cholesterol, PC, and SM | H&E | [18] |
| | | Mouse | LAD ligation model; heart | Frozen | DESI stage (custom built) LTQ-Orbitrap XL (Thermo Fisher Scientific) Lateral resolution: 0,2mm Negative ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 50-1200 | Infarcted tissue: FA(18:1) <i>m/z</i> 281.248, FA(18:0) <i>m/z</i> 283.264, FA(16:1) <i>m/z</i> 253.217, and FA(16:0) <i>m/z</i> 255.232 Perfused tissue: glycerophospholipid species, polyunsaturated FAs, and taurine (<i>m/z</i> 124.007) GBDT algorithm: 62 peaks for classification | H&E | [19] |

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| | | Human | Vascular graft | Frozen | DESI source (OMNISpray) AmaZon ETD (Bruker Daltonics) - Normal & Reactive DESI Dual polarity, <i>m/z</i> 300-1200 | Graft: SM, PC species and cholesterol. Graft Wall: SM (24:1), Biofilm on graft wall: PS (38:4), Plaque: cholesterol | n/a | [20] |
| Peptide/protein | MALDI | Chicken | Healthy heart | Fixation - Embedding Dewaxing Washes DHB, CHCA or SA, nebulizer | Autoflex III MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics, Linear mode Lateral resolution: 75-100µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 3000-30000 | Myocardium (<i>m/z</i> 9492, 11862), Myocardium right ventricle (<i>m/z</i> 6614), Atrial myocardium (<i>m/z</i> 6643) Outer ventricular wall (<i>m/z</i> 6643), Walls major heart vessels layers (<i>m/z</i> 7475, 6143, and 11862) Aortic valvular tissue (<i>m/z</i> 5308,) Aortic intimal and adventitial tissue (<i>m/z</i> 5935) Apex interventricular septum (<i>m/z</i> 6669), Bundle of His (<i>m/z</i> 9329), Valve structures (<i>m/z</i> 12209), Leaflets left AV valve (<i>m/z</i> 3915) | n/a | [21] |
| | | Mouse | LAD ligation model; heart | Frozen ANG II | Autoflex III MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics | Infarct area: ANG III (<i>m/z</i> 931) and ANG-(2-7) (<i>m/z</i> 784) Increase of APA in MI tissue | TTC | [22] |
| | | Mouse | LAD ligation model; heart | Frozen Washes Intact: SA, TM sprayer Peptide: trypsin, SA, TM sprayer | Autoflex Speed MALDI-TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial distribution: 100µm Positive ionization mode Intact: linear mode Peptides: reflectron mode | Healthy cardiac tissue: creatine (<i>m/z</i> 132) Remote: altered enzymatic activity Border: high transcription and translation Infarcted: mitochondrial and metabolic enzymes | H&E | [23] |
| | | | Healthy heart | | | Healthy cardiac tissue: <i>m/z</i> 908, 1632.96, 2816.25, and 4497.11 (Ephrin A1 peptides) | | |
| | | Mouse Human | MI heart samples | FFPE Pre-treatment buffer Trypsin, DHB, chemical inkjet printer | MALDI TOF/TOF (AXIMA Performance and 7090 series; Shimadzu) Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 700-3000 | Endocardium: Haemoglobin subunit α (<i>m/z</i> 1529.997) Infarcted region: MYH6, MYL3, ATP5A, MYH7, and ACTA2 (<i>m/z</i> 1084.64, 1396.96, 1625.09, 1741.12, and 1956.24, respectively) | H&E PTAH IHC | [24] |
| | | Rabbit | Atherosclerosis model - aortic section | Frozen Washes SA, sprayed | UltrafleXtreme MALDI-TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: 30µm Linear positive, 2000-20000 kDa | TMSB4X (<i>m/z</i> 4762) upregulated | IHC | [7] [8] |
| | | Human | Heart valve with moderate CAS | Frozen Carnoy procedure SA, sprayed | Autoflex III smartbeam MALDI-TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Spatial resolution: 75µm Positive ionization mode, 1000-30000Da | Calcified area (5059 Da), Collagen-rich (4300 Da), Elastic fibers-rich (13984 Da), Surrounding tissue (14659 Da), Margins calcified area: NDRG-2 (peptide, 3398 Da), Around calcified lesion: CO6A3 (peptide, 4321 Da) | VVG ORO IHC | [25] |
| | | Human | Left atrial appendage specimens Atrial fibrillation (PX, PE, and LSP) | FFPE Dewaxing, Washes, Antigen retrieval Trypsin, CHCA, Image Prep | Autoflex III MALDI TOF/TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 80µm Positive ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 800-3500 | Decreased in PX: ATPA (<i>m/z</i> 1000.489), MYL4 (<i>m/z</i> 1262.601), H13 (<i>m/z</i> 1260.618), AHNK (<i>m/z</i> 901.472), CDH13 (<i>m/z</i> 1564.840), VIM (<i>m/z</i> 1093.555) Increased in LSP and PE: CO1A1 (<i>m/z</i> 837.393) | IHC | [26] |
| Metabolites | MALDI | Mouse | LAD ligation model; heart 13C labelled glucose & lactate injection | FMW fixation Super cryo embedding medium 9AA, manual spray coated | UltrafleXtreme MALDI TOF, Bruker Daltonics Lateral resolution: 100µm Negative ionization mode, <i>m/z</i> 50-1000 | Ischemic core: increase NADH, lactate, succinate, ¹³ C ₃ -glutamate; Non-ischemic region adjacent to core: ATP, ADP; More distant region: higher lactate/pyruvate ratio | n/a | [27] |
| | | Mouse | C3H mice - injected with CVB3 virus (VM hearts) - control | Frozen 9AA, Suncollect | QTOF MALDI SYNAPT HDMS G2Si, Waters Lateral resolution: 100µm Negative ionization mode | VM hearts vs control: decrease ATP, ADP, AMP, total adenine nucleotide, NAD Increase UDP-GlcNAc, PI, AA, cardiolipin | H&E | [28] |

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Reflectron mode unless stated otherwise, +: positive ionization mode, -: negative ionization mode

AR: Alizarin Red, EVG: Elastica van Gieson, H&E: Haematoxylin and eosin, IHC: Immunohistochemistry, ORO: Oil Red O, PTAH: Phosphotungstic acid-haematoxylin,

TTC: 2,3,5-triphenyltetrazolium chloride, VVG: Verhoeff-Van Gieson

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