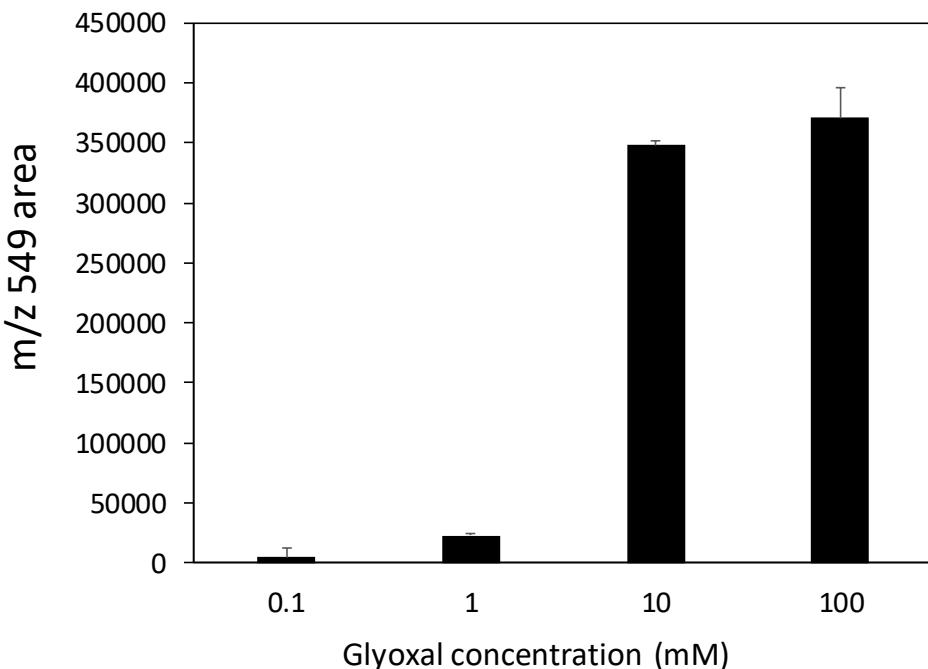
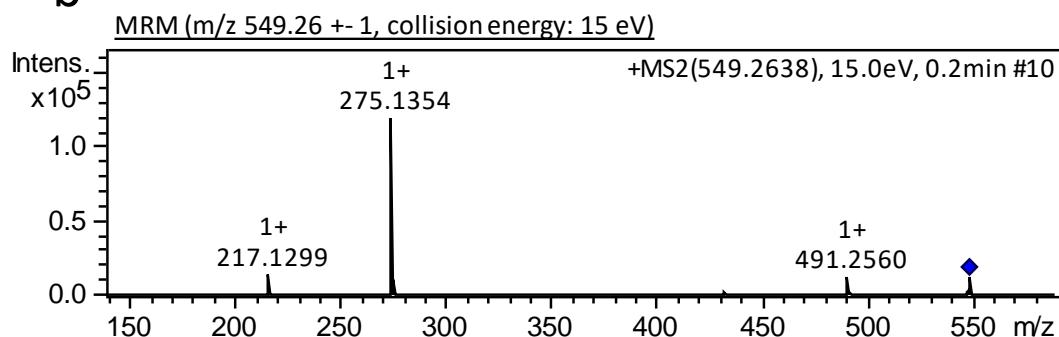


## Supplementary Information

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b



Formation of arginine adduct with high concentration of glyoxal. (a) The incubation of  $N^{\alpha}$ -acetyl-L-arginine with high concentrations of glyoxal (above 10 mM) generated parent ion of  $549.2637 \pm 0.005$  ( $m/z$ ) with elemental composition of  $C_{20}H_{37}N_8O_{10}$  that possesses two CMA molecules (CMA dimer). N=3. (b) Fragment ions of CMA dimer:  $491.2560 \pm 0.005$  ( $m/z$ ) for de-acetylated CMA dimer,  $275.1354 \pm 0.005$  ( $m/z$ ) for  $N^{\alpha}$ -acetyl-CMA, and  $217.1299 \pm 0.005$  ( $m/z$ ) for  $N^{\alpha}$ -acetyl-L-arginine.