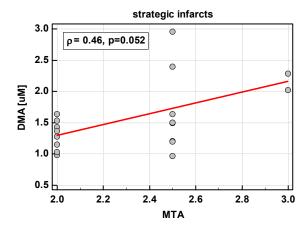
Title: Targeted metabolomic analysis of nitric oxide/L-arginine pathway metabolites in dementia: association with pathology, severity, and structural brain changes

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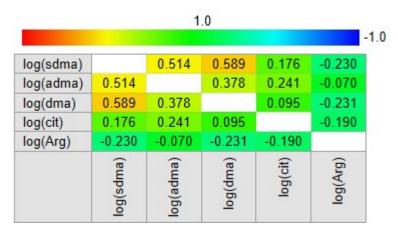
**Supplementary Figure S1** The correlation between DMA and the degree of medial temporal lobe atrophy (MTA) in a subgroup of dementia patients with strategic infarcts



Data analyzed using Spearman rank test and presented as correlation coefficient rho ( $\rho$ ).

**Supplementary Figure S2**. Correlograms showing the interrelationship between metabolites of arginine/No pathway depending on analyzed group

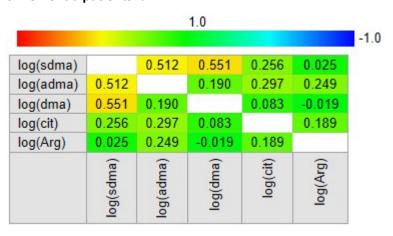
#### a. Controls: blood donors



### b. Controls: non-demented patients

	log(sdma)	log(adma)	log(dma)	log(cit)	log(Arg)
log(Arg)	0.612	0.566	0.645	0.457	
log(cit)	0.708	0.704	0.695		0.457
log(dma)	0.870	0.845	A A A A A A A A A	0.695	0.645
log(adma)	0.922		0.845	0.704	0.566
log(sdma)		0.922	0.870	0.708	0.612

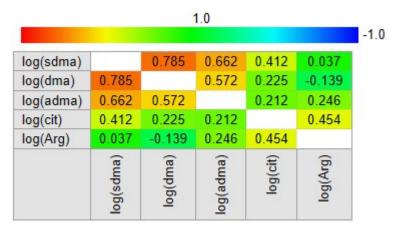
### c. Dementia patients: all



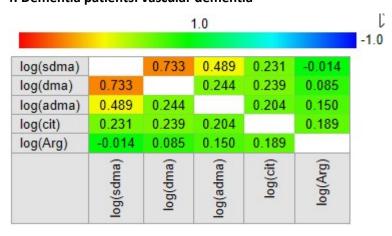
# d. Dementia patients: Alzheimer disease

	log(adma)	log(sdma)	log(cit)	log(dma)	log(Arg)
log(Arg)	0.283	0.142	-0.015	0.051	
log(dma)	0.102	0.399	-0.054		0.051
log(cit)	0.500	0.197		-0.054	-0.015
log(sdma)	0.518		0.197	0.399	0.142
log(adma)		0.518	0.500	0.102	0.283

### e. Dementia patients: mixed-type dementia



## f. Dementia patients: vascular dementia



Data presented as Pearson correlation coefficients.

Supplementary Table S1. Variables independently associated with intermediates in NO metabolism (multiple regression)

Dependent	Healthy controls	Dementia-AD	Dementia-VaD	
variable				
Arginine (Arg)	<b>DMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =-0.23, p=0.012	no variables retained	no variables retained	
	$R^2=0.05$			
ADMA	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.53, p<0.0001	<b>Arg</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.31, p=0.039	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.49, p=0.001	
	R <sup>2</sup> =0.28	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.48, p<0.001	R <sup>2</sup> =0.24	
		<b>Cit</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.50, p<0.001		
		$R^2=0.49$		
SDMA	<b>ADMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.41, p<0.0001	<b>ADMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.52, p<0.001	<b>ADMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.47, p=0.003	
	<b>DMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.49, p<0.0001	<b>DMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.41, p=0.005	<b>DMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.73, p<0.0001	
	$R^2=0.45$	$R^2=0.39$	R <sup>2</sup> =0.64	
Citrulline (Cit)	<b>ADMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.25, p=0.006	<b>ADMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.50, p<0.001	no variables retained	
	R <sup>2</sup> =0.06	$R^2=0.25$		
DMA	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.59, p<0.0001	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.40, p=0.005	<b>SDMA</b> : r <sub>p</sub> =0.73, p<0.0001	
	R <sup>2</sup> =0.34	$R^2=0.15$	$R^2=0.54$	

Results of multiple regression (stepwise method) presented as variables retained in the model (in bold) together with partial correlation coefficient ( $r_p$ ; net correlation, without the interference of others) and statistical significance as well as goodness of fit of the model represented by the coefficient of determination  $R^2$ .