

# N-glycosylation alteration of serum and salivary immunoglobulin A is a possible biomarker in oral mucositis

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**Table S1.** The key demographic and clinical data of the participants.

Average age (years)	Conditioning regimen
Controls 41.9±18.35	BEAM 5
Patients 49.5±14.19	Melphalan (high dose, ≥200 mg/m <sup>2</sup> ) 3
Gender	Pretreatment time (months)
Controls 9F, 1M	Hodgkin lymphoma 10.5±0.7
Patients 5F, 3M	Non-Hodgkin lymphoma 9±4.6
	Multiple myeloma 10±7
Diagnosis	Pretransplantational stage of the disease
Hodgkin lymphoma 2	Complete remission 5
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma 3	Very good partial remission 1
Multiple myeloma 3	Partial remission 2

BEAM (BCNU, etoposide, cytosine arabinoside, melphalan); F (female); M (male).

**Table S2.** Mean and standard errors of the PeakArea% of the significantly changed IgA N-glycan structures in the serum.

Glycan	Experimental group					p value
	control (n = 10)	day -3/-7 (n = 8)	day 0 (n = 8)	day +7 (n = 8)	day +14 (n = 7)	
FA2BG2S2	6.13±3.75 <sup>a</sup>	12.1±3.23 <sup>b</sup>	11.5±2.45 <sup>b</sup>	9.12±2.59 <sup>ab</sup>	7.25±2.7 <sup>b</sup>	0.0006
FA3G3[3]S3	2.67±2.7 <sup>a</sup>	15.1±5.67 <sup>b</sup>	15.6±6.65 <sup>b</sup>	13.1±4.49 <sup>b</sup>	12.9±5.07 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001
A1[3]	1.92±3.41 <sup>a</sup>	3.39±1.42 <sup>ab</sup>	3.61±1.45 <sup>ab</sup>	4.62±1.8 <sup>b</sup>	3.4±2.69 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0142
A2BG2S1	11.6±5.03 <sup>a</sup>	1.46±0.32 <sup>b</sup>	1.38±0.239 <sup>b</sup>	1.04±0.44 <sup>b</sup>	1.19±0.551 <sup>b</sup>	0.0010
A2	1.01±0.734 <sup>a</sup>	9.86±3.71 <sup>b</sup>	11.3±2.64 <sup>b</sup>	12.3±1.7 <sup>b</sup>	7.25±5.99 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0002
A2B	2.08±1.59 <sup>a</sup>	9.11±2.94 <sup>b</sup>	8.53±2.95 <sup>b</sup>	7.12±2.32 <sup>b</sup>	10.3±3.73 <sup>b</sup>	0.0001
FA2	0.475±0.277 <sup>a</sup>	3.8±1.76 <sup>b</sup>	2.97±1.59 <sup>b</sup>	4.46±1.88 <sup>b</sup>	2.75±1.9 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001
M7b	1.98±0.734 <sup>a</sup>	0.598±0.153 <sup>ab</sup>	0.354±0.178 <sup>b</sup>	0.654±0.7 <sup>b</sup>	1.17±0.937 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0002
A4	5.97±2.79 <sup>a</sup>	2.63±0.638 <sup>ab</sup>	1.94±0.751 <sup>b</sup>	2.37±1.34 <sup>ab</sup>	1.47±1.14 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001
FA2[3]G1	3.28±1.72 <sup>a</sup>	0.503±0.184 <sup>b</sup>	0.525±0.245 <sup>b</sup>	0.496±0.151 <sup>b</sup>	0.46±0.273 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001

A2G2	3.92±0.922 <sup>a</sup>	0.646±0.384 <sup>b</sup>	0.748±0.492 <sup>b</sup>	0.678±0.28 <sup>b</sup>	1.37±0.761 <sup>ab</sup>	<0.0001
A2BG2	1.26±0.437 <sup>a</sup>	0.774±0.3 <sup>ab</sup>	0.574±0.341 <sup>b</sup>	0.705±0.386 <sup>ab</sup>	0.671±0.36 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0239
FA2G2	10.7±4.59 <sup>a</sup>	2.06±1.04 <sup>ab</sup>	1.45±0.86 <sup>b</sup>	1.78±0.752 <sup>b</sup>	1.82±0.83 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001
FA2BG2	1.79±0.522 <sup>a</sup>	0.306±0.434 <sup>b</sup>	0.404±0.684 <sup>b</sup>	0.153±0.074 <sup>b</sup>	0.259±0.273 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001

Values are mean PeakAreas%±SD. Superscript 'a' indicates baseline control level; 'b' indicates significant difference (p<0.05), 'ab' indicates no significant difference, analyzed with one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA).

**Table S3.** Comparison of various IgA N-glycan structures in serum in different groups and time points with Tukey's multiple comparisons statistical test. p<0.05 is considered significant difference.

Comparison		FA2BG2S2	FA3G3[3]S3	A1[3]	A2BG2S1	A2
control vs. day -3/-7	-3/-7	0.0016	<0.0001	0.6844	<0.0001	0.0464
control vs. day 0		0.0058	<0.0001	0.5642	<0.0001	0.0069
control vs. day +7		0.2518	0.0008	0.01354	<0.0001	0.0002
control vs. day +14		0.9424	0.0017	0.708	<0.0001	0.2887
day -3/-7 vs. day 0		0.9919	0.9997	0.9997	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +7		0.2894	0.9314	0.8346	0.9974	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +14		0.0279	0.9047	>0.9999	0.9996	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +7		0.5354	0.8589	0.9104	0.9989	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +14		0.0755	0.8238	0.9998	>0.9999	>0.9999
day +7 vs. day +14		0.7583	>0.9999	0.8552	>0.9999	0.594

Comparison		A2B	FA2	M7b	A4	FA2[3]G1
control vs. day -3/-7	-3/-7	<0.0001	0.0006	0.1235	0.4163	0.0099
control vs. day 0		0.0001	0.0137	0.0001	0.0158	0.0111
control vs. day +7		0.0034	<0.0001	0.0125	0.0699	0.0135
control vs. day +14		<0.0001	0.0382	0.8881	0.0024	0.0038
day -3/-7 vs. day 0		0.9928	0.8194	0.7773	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +7		0.5898	0.9109	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +14		0.906	0.6907	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +7		0.8348	0.3215	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +14		0.7037	0.9988	0.1746	>0.9999	>0.9999
day +7 vs. day +14		0.1725	0.2297	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999

Comparison		A2G2	A2BG2	FA2G2	FA2BG2
control vs. day -3/-7	-3/-7	0.0004	0.4809	0.0513	0.0062
control vs. day 0		0.0007	0.0301	0.0012	0.0012
control vs. day +7		0.0011	0.1386	0.0176	0.0096
control vs. day +14		0.3979	0.1742	0.0233	0.0216
day -3/-7 vs. day 0		>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +7		>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +14		0.6738	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +7		>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +14		0.9141	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day +7 vs. day +14		>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999

**Table S4.** Comparison of various IgA N-glycan structures in saliva in different groups and time points with Tukey's multiple comparisons statistical test.  $p < 0.05$  is considered significant difference.

Comparison	FA2	M7a	FA2B	A2G2	Unknown
control vs. day -3/-7	0.0377	0.1754	0.1419	0.0836	0.017
control vs. day 0	0.1232	0.0613	0.0523	0.1095	>0.9999
control vs. day +7	0.0165	0.2695	0.0109	0.2522	>0.9999
control vs. day +14	0.0054	0.0428	0.0109	0.0096	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day 0	0.9993	0.9773	>0.9999	>0.9999	>0.9999
day -3/-7 vs. day +7	0.9723	>0.9999	>0.9999	0.985	0.5102
day -3/-7 vs. day +14	0.9476	0.9473	>0.9999	0.9587	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +7	0.9346	0.974	>0.9999	0.9818	>0.9999
day 0 vs. day +14	0.8952	0.9999	>0.9999	0.9769	>0.9999
day +7 vs. day +14	>0.9999	0.9446	>0.9999	0.7404	>0.9999

Comparison	Unknown
control vs. day -3/-7	0.0939
control vs. day 0	0.0336
control vs. day +7	0.6541
control vs. day +14	0.0747
day -3/-7 vs. day 0	0.9721
day -3/-7 vs. day +7	0.7224
day -3/-7 vs. day +14	0.9987
day 0 vs. day +7	0.3935
day 0 vs. day +14	0.9976
day +7 vs. day +14	0.5993

**Table S5.** Mean and standard errors of the PeakArea% of the significantly changed IgA N-glycan structures in the saliva.

Glycan	Experimental group					p value
	control (n = 10)	day -3/-7 (n = 8)	day 0 (n = 7)	day +7 (n = 7)	day +14 (n = 7)	
FA2	4.33±2.84 <sup>a</sup>	1.72±0.69 <sup>b</sup>	1.96±1.3 <sup>ab</sup>	1.1±0.334 <sup>b</sup>	1.04±0.918 <sup>b</sup>	0.0030
M7a	6.2±4.41 <sup>a</sup>	3.34±2.01 <sup>ab</sup>	2.57±1.12 <sup>ab</sup>	3.43±1.48 <sup>ab</sup>	2.37±1.21 <sup>b</sup>	0.0334
FA2B	15.5±5.55 <sup>a</sup>	6.31±6.42 <sup>ab</sup>	3.87±2.46 <sup>ab</sup>	3.79±2.59 <sup>b</sup>	3.3±1.97 <sup>b</sup>	<0.0001
A2G2	15.7±10.2 <sup>a</sup>	5.15±4.39 <sup>ab</sup>	4.88±4.52 <sup>ab</sup>	7.49±7.01 <sup>ab</sup>	2.19±1.09 <sup>b</sup>	0.0092
Unknown	4.82±2.06 <sup>a</sup>	1.23±0.577 <sup>b</sup>	3.41±2.58 <sup>ab</sup>	6.92±9.29 <sup>ab</sup>	3.34±1.93 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0408
Unknown	4.65±1.84 <sup>a</sup>	1.72±1.08 <sup>ab</sup>	0.905±0.576 <sup>b</sup>	3.22±3.37 <sup>ab</sup>	1.36±0.673 <sup>ab</sup>	0.0157

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**Table S6.** The sialoform to neutral (SF/NF) carbohydrate ratio of saliva and serum total IgA-associated glycans (upper half) and of the overlapping (i.e. present both in serum and saliva) glycan structures (lower half).

<b>Saliva samples</b>					
<b>Group</b>	<b>control</b>	<b>day -3/-7</b>	<b>day 0</b>	<b>day +7</b>	<b>day +14</b>
SF/NF ratio	0.38	0.74	0.70	0.57	0.64
mean%/%	27.63/72.37	42.54/57.46	41.12/58.88	36.16/63.84	39.12/60.88
<b>Serum samples</b>					
SF/NF ratio	2.24	5.68	7.12	5.56	3.96
mean%/%	69.12/30.88	85.03/14.97	87.68/12.32	84.75/15.25	79.82/20.18
<b>Overlapping structures</b>					
<b>Saliva samples</b>					
<b>Group</b>	<b>control</b>	<b>day -3/-7</b>	<b>day 0</b>	<b>day +7</b>	<b>day +14</b>
SF/NF ratio	0.61	0.59	0.79	0.72	0.80
mean%/%	38.03/61.97	37.11/62.89	44.01/55.99	41.93/58.07	44.57/55.43
<b>Serum samples</b>					
SF/NF ratio	2.15	11.27	13.85	12.27	5.30
mean%/%	68.25/31.75	91.85/8.15	93.26/6.74	92.46/7.54	84.13/15.87