Site-specific characterisation of SARS-CoV-2 spike glycoprotein receptor binding domain

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Supplementary data



Supplementary Figure S1. MALDI-TOF/TOF MS/MS spectra of selected permethylated N-glycans isolated from the purified glycopeptides N331 and N343 from the recombinant SARS-CoV-2 S1 RBD expressed on HEK293 cells. Selected molecular ions [M+Na]⁺ are from N331 glycosylation site (**A**) m/z 2459 and (**B**) m/z 2674 (selected from **Figure 1A**), and from the N343 glycosylation site (**C**) m/z 2459 and (**D**) m/z 2674 (selected from **Figure 1B**). All ions are [M+Na]⁺. Horizontal dashed lines with arrows correspond to indicated losses from the molecular ion [M+Na]⁺ of the designated N-glycan sequences in insets.



Supplementary Figure S2. Glycoproteomics analysis of the 320-VQPTE-324 (Tryptic/Glu-C) glycopeptide containing the glycosylation site T323 derived from the RBD of the S1 spike SARS-CoV-2 glycoprotein found centred at 12.1mins in the LC elution profile. LC ES-MS/MS (MS^e mode) data showing the co-elution of this O-linked glycopeptide with the N-linked glycopeptide described in the text and **Figure 2**. Differentiating the fragmentation series allows identification of the O-linked signals shown in the ascending mass regions, culminating in a molecular ion at m/z 1885.7, providing evidence for the Core 2 NeuAc₂Hex₂HexNAc₂ glycoform shown, substituted on Threonine 323. Red arrows in top panel correspond to areas where insets are shown in the lower panel. (i) Peaks in red correspond to protonated and sodiated molecular ion (m/z 1885.67 and 1907.70 respectively). (ii-vi) Peaks in red corresponds to glycopeptide fragment ions deriving from the [M+2H]⁺ molecular ion. "P" inside a circle corresponds to the peptide backbone of 320-VQPTESIVR-328.

320340RVQPTESIVRFPNITNLCPFGEVFNATRFASV360380YAWNRKRISNCVADYSVLYNSASFSTFKCY42044011VIRGDEVRQIAPGQTGKIADYNYKLPDDFT460111VLYRLFRKSNLKPFERDIST52054011NGVGYQPYRVVVLSFELLHAPATVCGPKKSTNLVKNKCVN

Supplementary Figure S3. Amino acid sequence of the Spike protein RBD residues Arg319 to Phe541. The observed sites of N-glycosylation are shown in bold red and the observed site of O-glycosylation is shown in bold green.

Supplementary Table SI. N-glycan compositions observed for the tryptic Nglycopeptide 341-VFNATR-346 (N343) from the recombinant SARS-CoV-2 S1 RBD expressed on HEK293 cells. This table shows the main signals observed consistent with glycopeptides and not an exhaustive list. Some signals may be from cone voltage induced fragmentation in the source of the mass spectrometer.

Glycopeptide	Glycopeptide	Permethylated	
mass observed	mass	glycan mass	Composition
by LC-ESI/MS	calculated	observed by MALDI-	
[M+2H] ²⁺		TOF MS [M+H]⁺	
873.36	873.38		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₂ dHex ₁
974.92	974.92		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₃ dHex ₁
1047.92	1047.95		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₃ dHex ₂
1055.94	1055.94		Hex ₄ HexNAc ₃ dHex ₁
1076.46	1076.46	1835.9	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁
1128.98	1128.98		Hex ₄ HexNAc ₃ dHex ₂
1149.49	1149.49		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂
1157.48	1157.49	2040.0	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁
1178.01	1178.00	2081.0	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁
1201.49	1201.50		Hex ₄ HexNAc ₃ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁
1222.5	1222.52		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₃
1230.51	1230.51	2214.1	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂
1324.0	1324.06		Hex ₃ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₃
1238.52	1238.52	2244.2	Hex₅HexNAc₄dHex₁
1259.02	1259.03	2285.1	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁
1303.01	1303.04	2401.2	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁
1311.55	1311.54	2418.2	Hex₅HexNAc₄dHex₂
1332.05	1332.06	2459.2	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₂
1384.06	1384.06	2605.3	Hex₅HexNAc₄dHex₁NeuAc₁
1404.57	1404.58	2646.3	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁
1405.07	1405.09	2633.3	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₃
1425.59	1425.60	2674.3	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₆ dHex ₃

1457.08	1457.09	2779.4	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂ NeuAc ₁
1477.59	1477.61	2820.4	Hex₄HexNAc₅dHex₂NeuAc₁
1485.58	1485.60	2850.4	Hex₅HexNAc₅dHex₁NeuAc₁
1529.60	1529.61	2966.4	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₂
1566.61	1566.63	3054.5	Hex ₆ HexNAc₅dHex₁NeuAc₁
1631.12	1631.15	3211.5 (trace)	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₂
1639.62	1639.66	3589.8 (trace, peak	Hex ₆ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₂ NeuAc ₁
		top mass)	

Supplementary Table SII. N-glycan compositions observed for the tryptic Nglycopeptide 329-FPNITNLCPFGE-340 (N331) from the recombinant SARS-CoV-2 S1 RBD expressed on HEK293 cells. This table does not give an exhaustive list of signals observed consistent with glycopeptides. Some glycopeptide signals observed are likely to be from cone voltage induced fragmentation in the source of the mass spectrometer.

Glycopeptide	Glycopeptide	Permethylated	
mass	mass	glycan mass	
observed by	calculated	observed by MALDI-	Composition
LC-ESI/MS		TOF MS	
[M+3H] ³⁺		[M+H] ⁺	
952.06	952.06	1835.9	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁
1006.08	1006.08	2040.1	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁
1019.76	1019.78	2081.1	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁
1054.77	1054.77	2214.1	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂
1060.09	1060.10	2244.2	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁
1068.43	1068.44	2255.2	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₂
1073.76	1073.77	2285.2	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁
1108.78	1108.78	2418.3	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂
1122.46	1122.46	2459.3	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₂
1136.13	1136.14	2500.3	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₆ dHex ₂
1157.13	1157.13	2605.4	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁
1170.80	1170.80	2646.4	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁
1171.15	1171.15	2633.4	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₃
1184.84	1184.82	2674.4	Hex ₃ HexNAc ₆ dHex ₃
1205.81	1205.82	2779.4	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₂ NeuAc ₁
1219.48	1219.49	2820.5	Hex ₄ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₂ NeuAc ₁
1254.16	1254.17	2966.5	Hex ₅ HexNAc ₄ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₂
1278.84	1278.84	3054.6	Hex ₆ HexNAc ₅ dHex ₁ NeuAc ₁

Supplementary Table SIII. O-glycan compositions observed for the tryptic Oglycopeptide 320-VQPTESIVR-328 from the recombinant SARS-CoV-2 S1 RBD expressed in HEK293 cells. Some signals may be from cone voltage induced fragmentation in the source of the mass spectrometer.

Glycopeptide mass observed by LC- ESI/MS [M+2H] ²⁺	Glycopeptide mass calculated	Composition
616.33	616.33	HexNAc
798.89	798.90	HexHexNAc ₂
879.92	879.92	Hex ₂ HexNAc ₂
944.44	944.44	HexHexNAc ₂ NeuAc
1025.47	1025.47	Hex ₂ HexNAc ₂ NeuAc
1171.02	1171.02	Hex ₂ HexNAc ₂ NeuAc ₂