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As neoplasias mamárias estão entre as mais frequentes em cães assim como em humanos. São consideradas excelentes modelos para o estudo da biologia do câncer, uma vez que algumas semelhanças, como sua apresentação espontânea, são difíceis de replicar em outros modelos animais. As diferenças entre os subtipos tumorais, bem como o alto grau de heterogeneidade inter e intratumoral, exigem marcadores mais precisos para melhorar o diagnóstico e prognóstico destas neoplasias. Além disso, novas informações sobre mecanismos moleculares podem levar a novos alvos terapêuticos, aprimorando o cuidado dado aos pacientes. Este trabalho teve como principais objetivos: (i) Associar a expressão gênica global à tumorigenicidade e potencial de invasão em linhagens celulares derivadas de carcinomas mamários caninos, a fim de estabelecer um modelo in vitro para pesquisas básicas e aplicadas; e (ii) Caracterizar subpopulações tumorais, em tecidos primários e metástases, a partir de alterações morfológicas e moleculares utilizando a espectrometria de massas por imagem (MALDI-MSI) para a determinação de alterações em vias associadas ao câncer. No primeiro capítulo, mostramos diferenças na expressão gênica entre as duas culturas celulares em comparação com o tecido normal da glândula mamária. Também, observamos maior invasão e potencial tumorigênico in vivo na linhagem M25, associados à maior expressão de genes envolvidos na adesão focal e comunicação com a matriz extracelular. Nos capítulos 2 e 3, identificamos alterações nos perfis de expressão de proteínas em subpopulações tumorais e metastáticas utilizando tanto o fenótipo morfológico, quanto o fenótipo molecular das populações indistinguíveis microscopicamente, relacionadas principalmente à vias associadas ao processamento de proteínas, componentes da matriz extracelular, adesão focal e regulação epigenética. Estes resultados em conjunto com aqueles encontrados no experimento in vitro demonstram a importância e complexidade dos carcinomas mamários heterogêneos em cães e devem direcionar a busca para a determinação de biomarcadores dos diferentes estágios da progressão tumoral.

Palavras chave: biomarcadores tumorais; carcinoma mamário; MALDI; transcriptoma

#### ABSTRACT

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Mammary tumors are among the most common types of cancer in dogs as well as in humans. Considered as excellent models for the study of cancer biology, similarities such as their spontaneous nature are difficult to be replicated in other animal models. Mammary tumors can be classified in many tumor subtypes, presenting a higher degree of inter and intratumoral heterogeneity. New insights on biomolecular mechanisms may lead to new therapeutic targets, improving diagnosis and prognosis and also improving patient care. Therefore, the main purposes of this work were: (i) To correlate global gene expression with tumorigenicity and invasion potential in canine mammary carcinoma cell lines, in order to establish an in vitro model for basic and applied oncology studies; and (ii) To characterize, using image mass spectrometry (MALDI-MSI), tumor subpopulations in primary tissues and metastasis through morphological and molecular features, in order to identify altered cancer-related pathways. In the first chapter, we showed differences regarding gene expression between two cell lines and a normal mammary gland tissue, as well as a higher invasion and in vivo tumorigenic potential of M25 cells associated to upregulation of genes involved in focal adhesion and extracellular matrix organization. In chapters 2 and 3, alterations in protein expression profiles of tumor and metastatic subpopulations were identified using both the morphological and the molecular phenotype of microscopically indistinguishable populations. Such differences were found mainly related to protein-processing pathways, extracellular matrix components, cell adhesion pathways and epigenetic regulations. These results should direct a search for the determination of biomarkers of populations in distinct levels of tumor progression.

Key words: cancer research; MALDI imaging; mammary carcinoma; transcriptomic, tumor biomarkers

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## **INTRODUÇÃO**

A oncologia é uma área relevante tanto na medicina humana quanto veterinária, seja pelo aumento do número de casos diagnosticados a cada ano, ou por se tratar de doenças em sua maioria sem cura. Nos cães, as neoplasias mamárias podem ser classificadas em mais de 20 tipos histológicos diferentes, e com frequência, estes animais apresentam múltiplas formações simultâneas com classificações histopatológicas distintas, determinando a heterogeneidade intertumoral. Porém, sabe-se a tempos que somente a classificação histopatológica não é suficiente para a determinação do prognóstico clínico em todos os pacientes, e portanto, a caracterização molecular de genes e seus produtos se faz necessária para uma melhor compreensão da doença. Ainda, temos a presença de populações celulares com perfis moleculares diferentes em uma mesma massa tumoral, onde estas populações normalmente não são distinguíveis por métodos diagnósticos tradicionais. Esta heterogeneidade intratumoral advém do fato que alguns grupos de células adquirem características de forma diferenciada, podendo definir o curso da doença e influenciando na sobrevida e no bem-estar dos indivíduos.

As neoplasias mamárias em cadelas são muito semelhantes àquelas diagnosticadas em mulheres, o que as tornam excelentes modelos para o estudo em oncologia comparada. Entretanto, em medicina veterinária, a literatura é escassa quanto a estudos sobre a heterogeneidade intratumoral das neoplasias sólidas. Estudos *in vitro* utilizando linhagens celulares permitem importantes descobertas sobre a origem, fisiopatologia, alvos terapêuticos e biomarcadores tumorais. Além disso, são necessários para o rastreamento de substâncias com propriedades antitumorais, contribuindo para o desenvolvimento e aprimoramento de terapias. Porém, a maioria dos estudos é realizada em cultivos de células mantidas à longo prazo, os quais fornecem dados valiosos para a investigação do comportamento tumoral, mas ainda é um recurso limitado devido à perda da similaridade com o tecido primário. Neste contexto, a espectrometria de massas por imagem surge como uma abordagem nova e eficiente, uma vez que, sem a necessidade de marcadores específicos, como anticorpos por exemplo, é capaz de detectar a expressão de biomoléculas ao mesmo tempo em que mantém a integridade do corte histológico, economizando tempo e recursos por direcionar a busca por novos marcadores tumorais.

Esta tese apresenta o estabelecimento e a caracterização de linhagens celulares morfologicamente semelhantes, mas com diferenças quanto à malignidade; e também, investiga a heterogeneidade inter e intratumoral preservando a neoplasia primária, lançando mão de abordagens inovadoras e atuais para a área de oncologia comparada e translacional.

# CAPÍTULO 1 - TRANSCRIPTOMIC PROFILE REVEALS MOLECULAR EVENTS ASSOCIATED TO FOCAL ADHESION AND INVASION IN CANINE MAMMARY GLAND TUMOR CELL LINES

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#### ABSTRACT

The prevalence of cancer in animals has increased significantly over the years. Mammary tumors are the most common neoplasia in dogs, in which around 50% are presented in the malignant form. Hence, the development and characterization of in vitro models for the study of canine tumors are important for the improvement of cancer diagnosis and treatment. Thus, the aim of this study was to characterize cell lines derived from canine mammary gland neoplasias which could be further used for basic and applied oncology research. Samples of canine mammary carcinomas were taken for cell culture and two cell lines were established and characterized in terms of cell morphology, tumorigenicity and global gene expression. Both cell lines presented spindle-shape morphology and shown common malignant features as in vitro invasion potential and expression of epithelial and mesenchymal proteins. Also, we found gene expression patterns between the two cell cultures in comparison to the normal mammary gland tissue. Cells from M25 culture showed a higher invasion and in vivo tumorigenic potential, associated to the overexpression of genes involved in focal adhesion and extracellular matrix communication, such as FN1, ITGA8 and THBS2. The phenotypic characterization of these cells along with their global gene expression profile potentially determine new therapeutic targets for mammary tumors.

**Key words:** canine; gene expression; mammary cancer; next-generation sequencing; tumor biology

#### BACKGROUND

Dogs develop tumors spontaneously and unpredictably as humans, sharing a variety of features including histological appearance, genomic alterations, molecular targets, biological behavior and response to conventional therapies (PAOLONI; KHANNA, 2008). Malignant neoplasms are responsible for almost 50% of deaths of dogs over 10 years old (BAEK; MCENTEE; LEGENDRE, 2009), and as in women, mammary tumors are the most common corresponding to 52% of all types of tumors (QUEIROGA; LOPES, 2002), in which 50% of those are malignant (HELLMÉN, 2005).

Regarding mammary gland tumors, canine cancer cells are great experimental models for veterinary and comparative research. In vitro studies using primary and well-established cell lines allowed important discoveries on the origin, pathophysiology, therapeutic targets and cancer biomarkers (VAN STAVEREN et al., 2009). In addition, cancer cell lines are necessary for the screening of substances with anticancer properties, representing a rich database of growth inhibition systems and cytotoxic properties (SHOEMAKER, 2006).

Thus, the aim of this study was to establish canine mammary cancer cell lines, characterize their transcriptome, and identify potential new therapeutic targets associated to invasion and metastasis.

#### MATERIAL AND METHODS

#### Tumor samples

Mammary tumor samples were obtained from female dogs that underwent surgery at the Veterinary Hospital of the School of Animal Science and Food Engineering of University of Sao Paulo, and private veterinary clinics which agreed to participate in the present study (protocol approved by the Ethic Committee on Animal Use, University of Sao Paulo, protocol number CEUA/3094061014). Inclusion criteria consisted of animals that had primary neoplasms and were not subjected to any type of antitumor treatment. Tumor fragments were washed in sterile phosphate buffer solution (PBS) and placed in sterile transport medium consisting of DMEM F12 (Thermo Fisher, Fremont, CA, USA) at 5% penicillin/streptomycin (PenStrep, Thermo Fisher, Fremont, CA, USA) at 4° C until arrival at the laboratory. An aliquot of fragments was formalin fixed, processed and stained with hematoxylin and eosin (HE) for histological evaluation, and mammary tumors were classified following Goldschmidt et. al. (GOLDSCHMIDT et al., 2011).

#### Dissociation and cell culture

Fragments were minced with sterile scalpels to 1 mm<sup>3</sup> pieces and placed into 50 mL tube containing 10mL DMEM-F12, 200U/mL Collagenase type I (Sigma Aldrich®, St. Louis, MO, USA), 100 U/ml de Hyaluronidase (Sigma Aldrich®, St. Louis, MO, USA) and 2% of antibiotics, at 37°C and centrifuged at 100 rpm for 2 hours. The tube was centrifuged at 1200 rpm, supernatant was discharged, cells were suspended in 5mL of TrypLE Express Enzyme 1X (Thermo Fisher, Fremont, CA, USA) and maintained at 37°C for an additional hour. Then, suspension was filtered through a 100μm filter followed by another filtration through a 40μm filter. Cells were washed twice with PBS and plated in DMEM-F12 supplemented with 5% fetal bovine serum (FBS) and 1% antibiotics, in 25cm<sup>3</sup> flasks kept under controlled CO2 and temperature. Culture evolution was evaluated daily by optical microscopy (Eclipse TS100, Nikon, Japan) and culture medium was supplemented with 10% FBS after five passages.

#### Doubling-time and karyotyping

Cells in at least 7th passage were grown 5 x 104 cells per well, in 6-well plates, with supplemented culture medium as described above. The number of cells was counted using a hemocytometer at 24-hour intervals for a total period of 120 hours. The results were evaluated with the Doubling-Time Software (ROTH, 2006). For karyotyping, cells at passage ten, at least, were cultured in petri dishes and metaphases arrested by incubation with Colchicine (40 mM, Sigma Aldrich®, St. Louis, MO, USA) for 3 hours at 37°C. Cells were detached, centrifuged and suspended in hypotonic solution (0,075M KCl) for 30 minutes at 37°C. Then, 2 mL of ice-cold fixative (methanol/acetic acid 3:1) solution was added to the tube and the suspension was homogenized, followed by centrifugation at 1200 rpm for 10 minutes. The supernatant was carefully discarded and the pellet resuspended in cold fixative avoiding oversaturation. Slides were washed, dried and two drops of cell suspension were dispensed from a pipette to the glass slides. Slides were air dried and stained with Giemsa 10% solution for 10 minutes at room temperature. Chromosomes were photographed under optical microscope (MC 80 DX, Carl Zeiss, Germany) using 100x objective. Twenty metaphases per sample were counted.

#### *Immunocytochemistry*

Immunofluorescence of cytoskeleton filaments was performed with primary antibodies against cytokeratin (clone A1/A39, Dako, Carpinteria, CA, USA), vimentin (clone V99, Dako, Carpinteria, CA, USA) and  $\alpha$ -smooth muscle actin (clone HHF3510, Dako, Carpinteria, CA,

USA). Cells (near passage 25) were grown on cover slips, fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde for 10 min at room temperature and blocked with a PBS solution containing 5% non-fat milk and 1% BSA. Primary antibodies were incubated overnight at 4°C and were detected using Alexa Fluor® 488 Goat Anti-mouse IgG (H+L) secondary antibody (Thermo Fisher, Fremont, CA, USA). Coverslips were mounted with Hoechst 33342 (Thermo Fisher, Fremont, CA, USA) following manufacturer's recommendations.

#### Invasion assay

Cells were cultured for 24 hours in serum-free medium. The transwell inserts were placed in 24 well plates and filled with 100  $\mu$ l of ECM gel (Sigma Aldrich®, USA) in PBS (1:5). After, 4 x 104 cells were resuspended in 100  $\mu$ l serum-free medium and plated on inserts. The bottom well was filled with 600  $\mu$ l of DMEM-F12 medium supplemented with 20% SFB, used as chemoattractant, and 24 hours later, a cotton swab was used to remove non-invasive cells from the top of the inserts. As fixative, 5% glutaraldehyde was used for 10 minutes at room temperature and inserts stained with 1% crystal violet in 2% ethanol for 2 minutes. The invasive cells were counted under optical microscope in five random fields at 100x magnification. The experiment was performed twice and in duplicates.

#### **Tumorigenicity**

#### In vitro tumorsphere formation.

Cells were grown in DMEM-F12 medium supplemented with 20 ng/mL EGF (PrepoTech, USA), 10 ng/mL FGF (PrepoTech, USA), 5  $\mu$ l/mL bovine insulin (Sigma Aldrich, MO, USA) and 1% antibiotic/antimycotic (PenStep, Gibco, Life Technologies, USA). 24-well plates (Corning®, USA) were bottom covered with 0.5 mL/well of 0.6% agar diluted in DMEM-F12 medium, and submitted to UV polymerization for one hour before cell addition. Cell number was adjusted to a concentration of approximately 1000 cells/mL in 0.5 mL/well in order to avoid cell clumping. For cell culture maintenance, 50  $\mu$ L/well of fresh medium was added every 48h. The tumorspheres were counted after seven consecutive days.

#### Tumor growth in immunodeficient mice

A total of six specific pathogen free (SPF) 5-wk-old female BALB/c nude (Foxn1sepe/Foxn1sepe) mice, were provided from the animal facility of the Department of Immunology, Institute of Biomedical Science, University of São Paulo, Brazil, and housed in IVC (Alesco Indústria e Comércio, Monte Mor, Brazil). They had unrestricted access to filtered sterile water and irradiated commercial pelleted diet (Nuvilab, Quimtia, Paraná, Brazil). At least

seven days before beginning the experiment, mice were transferred to the Department of Pathology, School of the Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (FMVZ), University of São Paulo located in Pirassununga city, Brazil. They were housed under controlled room temperature (22-25°C) and humidity (55-65%) with a 12h/12h light/dark cycle. The protocols for the experimental studies were approved by the Ethic Committee of FMVZ under license number CEUA 3094061014. Cells were injected subcutaneously with a suspension of 5 x 106 cells in 0.05 mL of PBS (n=3 for each cell culture) and mice were humanely euthanized by isoflurane saturated atmosphere when the tumors reached 1 cm of diameter or after 120 days of transplantation if no tumor was visualized. Tumor mass and organs such as liver, lung, spleen, lymph nodes and pancreas were collected, fixed in formalin, processed and embedded in paraffin for histopathology.

#### Transcriptomic profile

#### RNA extraction and preparation for sequencing mRNA libraries

Total RNA of triplicate biological samples from each cell line was extracted with TRIZOLTM according to manufacturer's recommendation. RNA quality and quantity were assessed using automated capillary gel electrophoresis on a Bioanalyzer 2100 with RNA 6000 Nano Labchips (Agilent Technologies Ireland, Dublin, Ireland), and only samples which presented an RNA integrity number (RIN) above 8.0 were used for further analysis. Preparation of mRNA libraries was carried out using a TruSeq<sup>™</sup> RNA Sample Prep Kit in accordance with TruSeq<sup>®</sup> RNA Sample Preparation v2 Guide (Illumina, USA). The libraries were evaluated and quantified using Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer and qPCR with KAPA Library Quantification kit (KAPA Biosystems, Foster City, USA), and adapter-ligated cDNA fragment libraries were run on Illumina HiSeq 2500 equipment using TruSeq PE Cluster Kit and TruSeq SBS Kit (Illumina, USA) generating 100bp paired-end reads. Canine normal mammary gland RNA-seq data (LIU et al., 2014) was obtained at the Sequence Read Archive database (NAKAMURA et al., 2013).

#### Alignment and differential expression

Sequencing quality was evaluated by FastQC software (ANDREW, 2010). Once we obtained a high sequencing quality, each sample was aligned against the reference genome (CanFam3.1) using TopHat 2.0.9 and Bowtie 2.1.014, (TRAPNELL et al., 2012). PCR duplicates, not primary alignments and low quality reads were removed with Samtools (LI et al., 2009) and final reads were counted using HTSeq (ANDERS; PYL; HUBER, 2015). Differential gene expression between M5 and M25 cells as well as between cultured cells and

normal mammary gland tissue was performed using EdgeR package (ROBINSON; MCCARTHY; SMYTH, 2010) on R environment, based on negative binomial distribution. Transcripts with FDR  $\leq$  0.01 and log Fold Change >1 were considered differentially expressed (DE). Gene Ontology and KEGG (KANEHISA; GOTO, 2000) of DE genes between normal canine mammary gland tissue and cell cultures was performed using WEB-based Gene Set Analysis Toolkit (WANG et al., 2013), with gene stable Ensembl ID (YATES et al., 2016) as input data, and CanFam3.1 as the reference genome. In silico protein-protein interaction was assessed with STRING database (SZKLARCZYK et al., 2015). Sequence data can be found in Gene Expression Omnibus database repository (BARRETT et al., 2013), accession number GSE98482.

#### Statistical analysis

Invasion assay and in vitro tumorigenic assay were analyzed by Mann-Whitney test at the P<0.05 significance level. For functional enrichment analyses, P value was adjusted for multiple tests, and Benjamini & Hochberg method was used to test multiple categories in a group of functional gene sets.

#### RESULTS

#### Establishment and characterization of canine mammary cancer cell cultures

Following our protocol, two out of 49 primary cell cultures were successfully established from different canine mammary gland tumors (Table 1). One was originated from a canine mammary comedocarcinoma and the other from a carcinoma mixed-type, designated as M5 and M25, respectively. Both tumors presented epithelial and myoepithelial cell proliferation. The comedocarcinoma showed typical necrotic areas surrounded by viable neoplastic cell aggregates. In the carcinoma mixed-type, additional cartilage tissue was found (data not shown), along with the epithelial component arranged in tubules (Figure 1A and 1B). Microscopically, both cultures showed spindle-shape cells, with round to oval nuclei and some presenting multiple nucleoli (Figure 1C and 1D). Doubling time was estimated to 26.0h for M5 and 42.8h for M25 cells.

Table 1. Histopathological classification of primary tumors used for primary cell cultures

# samples	%

Carcinoma-complex type	13	26.53
Carcinoma-mixed type	10	20.41
Carcinoma-simple	5	10.2
Carcinoma-solid	5	10.2
Benign neoplasm	4	8.16
Lobular hyperplasia	3	6.13
Comedocarcinoma	3	6.13
Squamous cell carcinoma	2	4.08
Carcinoma-anaplastic	1	2.04
Malignant myoepithelioma	1	2.04
Adenosquamous carcinoma	1	2.04
Mesenchymal neoplasm	1	2.04
Total	49	100



Figure 1: (A, B) Representative histology of M5 comedocarcinoma (A) and M25 mixed carcinoma (B) primary tumors. Myoepithelial (\*) and epithelial (arrow head) proliferation is evident in both tissues. The necrotic area within the center of the neoplastic epithelial cell aggreagates common to comedocarcinomas is pointed (arrow). Scale bar: 200  $\mu$ m. (C, D) Established cell cultures of canine mammary carcinomas. M5 (C) and M25 (D) presented a spindle-shape morphology with cells showing one or more nuclei. Scale bar: 100  $\mu$ m.

Karyotype analysis showed moderate an euploidy for both cell cultures (M5 77.55  $\pm$  0.94 and M25 76.9  $\pm$  2.84). Also, additional cytogenetic alterations could be found, for example, M25 cells showed monosomy of X chromosome (Figure 2). Immunocytochemistry analyses on both cell cultures showed expression of vimentin, cytokeratin and  $\alpha$ -smooth actin, where cytokeratin was expressed heterogeneously in M5 cells (Figure 3A to 3F). Vimentin was expressed intensely in both cultures, corresponding to their mesenchymal-like morphology (Figure 3G and 3H).



Figure 2: An euploidy found in cells from mammary carcinomas primary cultures. (A) Hypoploidy of a M25 cell showing a metaphase with 66 chromosomes. (B) M25 an euploid cell presenting monosomy of X chromosome, indicated by the black arrow. Graph shows the numeric distribution of the twenty metaphasis analyzed in karyotyping. Magnification: 1000x.

In addition, both cell cultures were positive in the invasion assay (5M:  $33.1 \pm 4.93$  cells and 25M:  $60.4 \pm 13.50$  cells, per field). The M25 cells presented higher invasion potential in comparison to M5 cells (p < 0.0001) (Figure 4).

#### **Tumorigenicity**

Both M5 and M25 cells were similarly able to form tumorspheres under low-adherence conditions (Figure 5A and 5B) after seven days. *In vivo*, only 25M cells produced tumors after 120 days in our conditions. Histologically, the 25M cell nodules presented predominantly tubular arrangements with one to four layers of cubical cells. The tubular structures were composed of cells with round to oval nuclei, revealing moderate anisocariosis and common mitotic figures (Figure 5C and 5D). The architecture of the nodule formed was similar to the primary mammary gland tumor (Figure 1B). Therefore, considering the invasion potential and the *in vitro* tumorigenicity, the M25 cell line could be considered more malignant than M5 cell line.

#### Transcriptomic analysis of M5 and M25 cells

An average of 16.2 million 100 bp paired-end reads were sequenced per replicate (three for each cell culture), and after alignment, an average of 81.1% were considered concordant pair alignment rate (Table S1). A total of 11,260 genes presenting more than 1 count per million were detected in M5 cells and 11,476 genes in M25 cells. Also, we found 824 DE genes between M5 and M25 cell lines, in which 384 were upregulated and 440 were downregulated in M25 cells (Table S2). All enrichment analysis was made based upon the unique Ensembl entrez gene IDs.

Gene ontology (GO) from a gene set of 647 genes considered to enrichment analysis showed that DE genes between M5 and M25 cell cultures were related to biological and developmental processes as well as cell membrane components, such as genes involved in cell motility and extracellular matrix reorganization (Table 2, Figure S1). To further evaluate those processes, we mapped M25 upregulated genes using KEGG database, according to Canis familiaris reference genome. Most of genes were significantly enriched for pathways involved in drug metabolism and resistance, cell cycle control, DNA replication and extracellular matrix communication. Among them, we found an increased expression of genes related to cell adhesion molecules (CAMs) with a high in silico protein interaction score (0.7) such as FN1, THBS2 and ITGA8 (adjusted p value  $\approx 1.51-53$ , 0, 4.64-197 and LogFC = 1.347, 3.867 and

2.852, respectively) suggesting that M25 cells have a more invasive potential than M5 cells, results that confirm the in vitro analysis of invasion.



Figure 3: Immunocytochemistry of cytoskeleton filaments in M5 and M25 cells. (A, B) Control. (C to H) Both cultures expressed all three markers, although some M5 cells did not present cytokeratin expression (C). Scale bar: 20 µm.



Figure 4. M25 cells exhibited higher invasive potential than M5 cells. Results are described as an average of number of cells per field  $\pm$  SD of two independent experiments. \*p < 0.0001.



Figure 5: Tumorigenicity of M5 and M25 cell lines. (A, B) Tumorsphere formation under lowadherence conditions, M5 (A) and M25 (B) cell cultures. Scale bar: 100  $\mu$ m. (C, D) Tumor mass after three weeks post-injection of M25 cells in nude mice. Note mitotic figures (red arrows) and tubule formation (black arrow). Scale bar: 500  $\mu$ m (C) and 50  $\mu$ m (D).

Table 2. Pathways identified in M5 and M25 DE genes used for functional enrichment analysis

	# genes*	p value**
ECM-receptor interaction	13	5.74-6
One carbon pool by folate	5	0.34-2
Focal adhesion	17	0.06-3
Synthesis and degradation of ketone bodies	3	1.58-2
Drug metabolism – cytochrome P450	6	1.58-2
Pathways in cancer	17	3.32-2
Retinol metabolism	5	3.32-2

\*number of genes enriched in the category

\*\* *p value* adjusted by the multiple test adjustment

In order to identify gene expression patterns specific of each cell line, we compared their transcriptome to one canine normal mammary gland tissue sample deposited in a public repository (NCBI SRX295056). A total of 7,311 and 7,407 DE genes were observed, respectively, for M5 and M25 cells (Table 3). Proto-oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes and some miRNAs were found to be differentially expressed (Tables S3 and S4). KEGG and gene ontology analyses of DE genes showed upregulation of genes involved in focal adhesion and ECM-receptors interactions, protein processing in endoplasmic reticulum, regulation of actin cytoskeleton and MAPK signaling pathway (Table 4 and Figures S2 and S3).

Table 3. Number of differentially expressed genes between neoplastic cells and a normal mammary gland

	M5	M25	
Total DE genes*	7311	7407	
Upregulated	2679	2792	
Downregulated	4632	4615	

Table 4. Identified pathways of cancer cells compared to normal gland DE genes considered for functional enrichment analysis

	# genes*		p value**	
	M5	M25	M5	M25
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	69	70	8.67-17	4.13-17
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	91	93	3.18-15	1.11 <sup>-15</sup>
Focal adhesion	95	94	3.54-16	2.68-15
Metabolic pathways	329	325	3.13-12	1.30-12
Pathways in cancer	121	124	5.60-12	1.50 <sup>-12</sup>
MAPK signaling	103	104	4.90-11	7.35-11
Calcium signaling pathway	80	77	3.72-12	2.05-10
Leukocyte transendothelial migration	58	-	4.86-10	-
Chemokine signaling pathway	74	-	2.37-10	-
Axon guidance	64	-	5.60-12	-
ECM-receptor interaction	-	43	-	2.64-10
Regulation of actin cytoskeleton	-	87	-	2.64-10
Phagosome	-	65	-	3.77-10

#### DISCUSSION

In this study, we report the successful establishment and characterization of two new cell lines from canine mammary malignant neoplasms where one cell line was distinctly more malignant than the other. Transcriptome analysis by RNA-seq corroborated this result and showed the main altered pathways in both cell lines which can now be used for testing new target molecules for anticancer therapy.

Two out of forty-nine primary cell cultures were successfully established in this work. This low number could be explained by the difficulty of expanding new cell lineages from solid neoplasms due to the number and viability of malignant tumor cells capable of surviving in vitro, the contamination with and overgrowth of stromal cells such as fibroblasts, and the heterogeneity of cell populations of the various subtypes of mammary tumors found in dogs (HOLLIDAY; SPEIRS, 2011). Even so, the established cell cultures presented here had similar features to previous studies involving canine mammary cancer cell cultures, in terms of growth, morphology and phenotype (ELSE; NORVAL; NEILL, 1982; HELLMÉN, 1992; UYAMA et al., 2006; CHANG et al., 2010). The M5 and M25 cells presented comparable spindle-shape morphology and growth pattern in two-dimension cell culture. However, M5 cells did not produce tumors in mice in our conditions, and were less invasive in vitro than M25 cells. A successful tumorigenic in vivo assay depends on several aspects: the site of injection, cell concentration or the need of additional hormonal supplementation (PRICE et al., 1990; MOLLARD et al., 2011). Also, nude mice present T lymphocyte deficiency, but still have an immune response led by B cells and cytokines, as interferons and perforins, which may interfere in tumor development (SHANKARAN et al., 2001).

Canine and human mammary glands consist basically of two major epithelial groups, luminal and myoepithelial cells. In this study, we analyzed the expression of cytokeratins (in this case identified by A1/A3 clone which covers 14 subtypes used to identify epithelial cells), vimentin and smooth muscle actin (a-SMA), normally found in myoepithelial cells. The M5 and M25 cultures showed simultaneous expression of cytokeratin and vimentin, where vimentin was strongly expressed in all cells and cytokeratin had a heterogeneous patterning in M5 cells. Similarly,  $\alpha$ -SMA was not detected in all cells in M5 culture, but such presentation can still suggest a myoepithelial origin. Until recently, it was believed that carcinoma cells would only express cytokeratins, whereas mesenchymal neoplasms would express vimentin (HENDRIX et al., 1997). However, despite this expression pattern still be a tendency, it is now known that a given tumor can co-express two or more types of intermediate filaments simultaneously, and frequently, vimentin is present in most cases, although the reasons still remain unclear (BROERS et al., 1988). Some hypotheses were proposed to explain vimentin expression, such as myoepithelial or even progenitor cell origin (PETERSEN et al., 2001), but so far, the expression of vimentin in human and canine breast cancer is strongly associated to the epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT), conferring a higher cell invasiveness and consequent metastatic potential, acting like a valuable prognostic marker (SATELLI; LI, 2011).

The global gene expression of cultured cells advances the knowledge of cancer development, progression and guide further studies for future target therapies. In this context, we performed M5 and M25 transcriptome profiling to identify the main biological processes and their related genes. More than ten thousand genes were expressed in both cell cultures. Moreover, DE analysis between both cell lines showed interesting features of M25 cells, like overexpression of genes related to extracellular matrix modifications, metabolism of xenobiotics and genes involved in cell replication. The prediction of protein-protein interaction of genes overexpressed and involved in focal adhesion showed three potential genes mediating the invasion process: FN1, THBS2 and ITGA8 (adjusted p value  $\approx$  1.51-53, 0, 4.64-197 and LogFC = 1.347, 3.867 and 2.852, respectively). In fact, some studies have already demonstrated overexpression of these genes in metastatic cells and in solid tumors that recurred or colonized to distant sites (KIM et al., 2010; WAALKES et al., 2010; RYU et al., 2016; ZHUO et al., 2016). ITGA8 have already been speculated as a prognostic factor and potential therapeutic target in human multiple myeloma (RYU et al., 2016), and THBS2 is a potential multi-cancer target focusing in metastasis inhibition (KIM et al., 2010; ZHUO et al., 2016). These results corroborate with our findings, which suggests that M25 cells are in fact more malignant than M5 cells, findings also observed in vitro and in vivo through matrigel and tumorigenicity assays, respectively.

From GO and KEGG analyses, cancer pathways were downregulated in M5 and M25 cells compared to normal mammary gland tissue. As an example, tumor suppressor genes TP53 (M5 adjusted p value = 1.75-71, LogFC = -2.095; M25 adjusted p value = 2.53-97, LogFC = -2.158) and MYCT1 (M5 adjusted p value = 4.72-183, LogFC = -12.373; M25 adjusted p value = 1.02-138, LogFC = -12.453) were found downregulated in both cell lines. Lower TP53 expression can lead not only to the inactivation of antiproliferative mechanisms, but can also enhance the metastatic potential due to a gain of function activity (VAN LEEUWEN et al., 1996; WEISSMUELLER et al., 2014). Losses in TP53 had already been described as responsible for inducing CDH2 and PDGFRB transcription and for activating WNT signaling cascade (HAN et al., 2014; WEISSMUELLER et al., 2014), while down-regulation in MYCT1 gene contributes to cancer progression by apoptosis induction, inhibition of cell proliferation and invasiveness, corroborating with expression analysis of canine mammary carcinomas cell lines established in this study (FU et al., 2011; YANG et al., 2012).

One interesting finding in our transcriptome profile was the overexpression of microRNAs precursor genes such as cf-mir-374b, cf-mir-145 and cf-mir-23b. Indeed, cfa-mir-145 had already been described in a primary culture of canine mammary cancer, where it was

found 993.4-fold over normal mammary gland tissue expression (OSAKI et al., 2016). The mir-374b was associated to malignant behavior in human gastric cancer and was suggested as a potential prognostic marker in cervical cancer (LUI et al., 2007; XIE et al., 2014), while mir-23b was found downregulated in human colon cancer maybe acting as a modulator suppressor of metastasis (ZHANG et al., 2011). Although, one should be aware that poly-A enriched mRNA libraries for RNA-seq technology are not be the best approach for mapping global miRNAs expression. In some cases, it is possible to detect only miRNA precursors which are more than the length of the size selection used in the sequencing library preparation step, and appropriate precautions need to be taken when filtering before data alignment (MORTAZAVI et al., 2008).

In summary, we have established and characterized two primary cell lines from canine mammary carcinomas and despite the similarity in morphological features as cell shape, cytogenetic alterations and immunocytochemistry findings, there were differences regarding tumorigenicity which were reflected by the RNA-seq analysis. The identification of specific molecular signatures such as FN1, THBS2 and ITGA8 that may be regulating the invasion process will allow their use in the development of new therapeutic targets for malignant mammary tumors in the near future.

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# CAPÍTULO 2 - MASS SPECTROMETRY IMAGING IDENTIFIES RETICULAR STRESS AND PROTEIN MISFOLDING ASSOCIATED TO TUMOR PROGRESSION IN CANINE MAMMARY CANCER

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#### ABSTRACT

Mammary tumors are one of the most frequent tumors in dogs (canine mammary tumors, CMT), which can be classified in many different subtypes showing a high degree of tumoral heterogeneity. Therefore, the multifocal and complex nature of CMT makes it a great model to study the underlying cancer biology, since dogs share the same environment as humans and present many similarities regarding anatomic, histological, molecular and clinical features. It is well-known that cancer cells gradually lose their morphological and specialized functions acquiring a high oncogenic dedifferentiated phenotype. By performing an in-depth and spatially correlated characterization of CMT tissues, we aimed to identify relevant cancer pathways associated to tumor progression, by comparing peptide expression in neoplastic cell populations with two distinct levels of differentiation: well differentiated (WD) and poorly differentiated (PD), focusing on new early-stage cancer biomarkers. Mass spectrometry imaging (MSI) followed by LC/MS-MS was used in order to simultaneously detect morphological and molecular alterations whilst preserving tissue integrity. Discriminative peaks between conditions were identified, resulting in 45 protein IDs, all downregulated in PD compared to WD regions. Functional enrichment analysis showed an association to pathways such as the endoplasmic reticulum response to stress and cell adhesion, in which the loss of important tumor suppressor proteins as TUBB4B, APOA1, CANX, HSPA5, PDIA3 and others, may had contributed to canine mammary cancer progression. In addition, protein interaction network analysis revealed TPM1, also downregulated in PD, as a key factor to dedifferentiation phenotype and malignancy. Thus, we demonstrated that the malignant phenotype may had arisen as a consequence of endoplasmic reticulum stress, in which the downregulation of key proteins involved in pathways as cell adhesion and post-translational processes can contribute to tumor progression and metastasis.

Key words: breast cancer, comparative oncology, ER stress, MALDI imaging, veterinary oncology

#### BACKGROUND

Breast cancer incidence and mortality rates have still been growing worldwide. In 2018, breast cancer represented 11.6% of new cases, and occupied the fifth position among the most lethal types of cancer, responsible for 6.6% of all deaths by the disease (BRAY et al., 2018). Even with a proper histopathological evaluation and the use of widely accepted gene expression profiles for molecular subtyping (PARKER et al., 2009), it is known that an accurate classification for clinical prognosis assessment and treatment decision-making can be challenging, therefore, a deeper molecular characterization is necessary for a better understanding of the disease. A reliable animal model that captures the key features of human cancer is essential to bring new insights regarding tumor development. In this context, spontaneously occurring canine mammary cancers are an excellent model of the complex biology behind heterogeneous cancer progression, for several reasons; domesticated dogs not only share the same environment and risk factors as humans, but also present more similarities regarding anatomic, histological and clinical features, as well as DNA and protein sequences content than those of rodents (LINDBLAD-TOH et al., 2005; PAOLONI; KHANNA, 2008; ROWELL; MCCARTHY; ALVAREZ, 2011; LIU et al., 2014). Moreover, the large population of dogs and the increasing dog-owner relationship care created a unique partnership that simultaneously can benefit both sides by helping researchers to improve the assessment of novel treatments for humans by treating pet animals with cancer.

Cellular differentiation can be defined as the capacity of cells to progressively acquire a more specialized function in a tissue, emerging from a stem-cell until reaching a mature phenotype (KUPIEC, 1997). While in normal tissue the differentiation process is frequently unidirectional, cancerous tissues can present a reverse flow and dedifferentiate. During tumor progression and dedifferentiation, transformed cells are subjected to an environment pressure which causes cytotoxic stress and reduce cell survival (GABBERT et al., 1985). The increased proliferation, for example, leads to hypoxia and nutrient deprivation, inducing stress in the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and activation of a protective unfolded protein response (UPR) (CHIPURUPALLI et al., 2019). ER stress and UPR activation have been documented in the development of many cancer types, and evidence suggests that they have important roles in every aspect of cancer progression and metastasis (WANG; KAUFMAN, 2014).

To our knowledge, this is the first work using mass spectrometry imaging in mammary canine cancers that have demonstrated important events associated to cancer progression as the ER stress linked to morphological changes. Here, we identified alterations in protein expression and network interaction between populations in distinct degrees of differentiation, which may lead to potential early-stage tumor biomarkers.

#### MATERIAL AND METHODS

#### Tissue Samples and TMA construction

Samples from five patients submitted to elective mastectomies were obtained from the Veterinary Hospital of the School of Animal Science and Food Engineering (FZEA/USP) in Pirassununga, Brazil, and the Veterinary Hospital of the Octávio Bastos Teaching Foundation (UNIFEOB) in São João da Boa Vista, Brazil. All procedures were approved by FZEA/USP Ethics Committee (CEUA nº 8632101017). After surgical removal, all tumors were fractionated into smaller fragments of  $\pm 1$  cm<sup>3</sup>. Each fragment was identified and fixed separately in a 10% buffered formalin solution, processed according to standard histological protocol and embedded in paraffin. Mammary cancer diagnosis was confirmed by conventional histopathological evaluation following the classification of Goldschmidt et. al. (GOLDSCHMIDT et al., 2011). For tissue microarray (TMA) construction, paraffin blocks were cut into 4  $\mu$ m thick sections, stained with hematoxylin and eosin (HE) and comparable regions were marked, in order to have a better representation of intratumor heterogeneity across the entire solid mass. Representative areas of epithelial and myoepithelial cell populations, as well as stromal portions containing blood vessels, inflammatory cells and connective tissues were selected.

#### Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization mass spectrometry imaging (MALDI-MSI)

MALDI-MSI was carried in the Department of Proteomics and Metabolomics of Leiden University Medical Center – LUMC (Netherlands). Paraffin-embedded tissue microarrays were sectioned into 4  $\mu$ m thick slices and placed on indium tin oxide (Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany) coated glass slides pre-treated with 1:1 poly-L-lysine (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, USA) and 0,1% Nonidet P-40 (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, USA). Sections were incubated on a heated plate for one hour at 60°C, dewaxed in xylene, rehydrated and washed with ultra-filtered water. Antigen retrieval was performed in heated citrate buffer using a steamer at 92°C for 20 minutes, followed by cooling at room temperature for 120 minutes. A specific trypsin solution for mass spectrometry (0.02 $\mu$ g/ml, Trypsin Gold, Promega Corporation, Wisconsin, USA) was sprayed using the SunCollect equipment (SunChrom, Friedrichsdorf, Germany) and slides were then incubated for 18h at 37°C and 95% of relative humidity. Matrix used for ion extraction (25 mg/mL of dihydroxybenzoic acid in 50% aqueous acetonitrile and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid) was also applied using SunCollect. MALDI-FT-ICR data acquisition was performed in

positive ion mode (Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany), in a range of m/z 500-5000 Da and lateral resolution of 100 µm.

#### Tissue annotation and data processing

After MALDI-MSI, matrix was removed with 70% ethanol, and ITO slides were routinely stained with HE solution and later scanned (Philips Slide Scanner, USA) on 5, 10, 20 and 40x magnification. On FlexImaging Software (Bruker Scientific Instrument, MA, USA), scanned images were co-registered with MALDI-FT-ICR-MSI data allowing the annotation of Regions of Interest (ROIs), mainly containing cancer epithelial populations. Necrotic and desmoplastic areas, as well large vessels and ducts were avoided during annotation procedure in order to reduce the interference that could be caused by other cells intermingled in the region, or the influence of matrix components accumulating inside empty spaces. Tumor ROIs were categorized in two groups: well differentiated tumor populations (WD) and poorly differentiated tumor populations (PD). Morphological criteria for WD and PD classification were adapted from the well-established canine mammary cancer grading system used for human breast cancer classification (IARC, 2012). Details are shown in Table 1.

	Mitotic index	Cell/nuclear pleomorphism		Tubular Differentiation		
1 noint	0-3	Uniform cells and nuclei. Occasional nucleoli		Differentiated tubules in		
i point	mitosis/population			> 75%		
2 points	4-6	Low / moderate degree of pleomorphism, occasional hyperchromatic nuclei, presence of nucleoli		Low / moderate degree of pleomorphism,		Differentiated tubules in
- points	mitosis/population			> 25% and $< 75%$		
	>7	High degree of pleomorphism, hyperchromatic nuclei, presence of prominent nucleoli and / or multiple		Differentiated tubules <		
3 points	mitosis/population			assuming areas of solid growth		
		Score				
		3-5 points	Well differentiated			
		6-9 points	Poorly differentiated			

Table 1. Histopathological criteria for the classification of canine mammary tumor populations used in this study. Adapted from Goldschimdt et. al., 2011.

Next, selected ROIs were imported into SCiLS Lab Software (2016b, Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany), and raw data exported as an imzML file for preprocessing and peak picking. On R environment (www.r-project.org), spectra were normalized by RMS method, and
peak picking was conducted using the rMSI package (DEL CASTILLO et al., 2017), setting a signal to noise ratio (S/N) = 7, maximum permissible error for alignment of 50 ppm and bin tolerance of 12 scans. Peaklist was also filtered for mass defects.

### Liquid chromatrography/tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS)

For LC-MS/MS analysis, on-tissue tryptic digestion was performed as described in MALDI-MSI method section. Lyophilized peptides were dissolved in 95/3/0.1 v/v/v water/acetonitrile/formic acid and subsequently analyzed by on-line C18 nano HPLC MS/MS with a system consisting of an Easy-nLC 1200 gradient HPLC system (Thermo, Bremen, Germany), and an Orbitrap Fusion Lumos mass spectrometer (Thermo). Samples were injected onto a homemade precolumn (100 µm × 15 mm, C18 Reprosil-Pur C18-AQ, 3 um, 120 A, and eluted via a homemade analytical nano-HPLC column (50 cm × 75 μm; Reprosil-Pur C18-AQ 1.9 um, 120 A (Dr. Maisch, Ammerbuch, Germany). The gradient was run from 2% to 36% solvent B (20/80/0.1 water/acetonitrile/formic acid (FA) v/v/v) in 120 min. The nano-HPLC column was drawn to a tip of  $\sim 10 \ \mu m$  and acted as the electrospray needle of the MS source. The mass spectrometer was operated in data-dependent MS/MS mode for a cycle time of 3 seconds, with a HCD collision energy at 32 V and recording of the MS2 spectrum in the orbitrap, with a quadrupole isolation width of 1.2 Da. In the master scan (MS1) the resolution was 120,000, the scan range 400-1500, at an AGC target of 4,000,000 @maximum fill time of 50ms. Precursors were dynamically excluded after n=1 with an exclusion duration of 60s, and with a precursor range of 20 ppm. Charge states 2-4were included. For MS2 the first mass was set to 110 Da, and the MS2 scan resolution was 30,000 at an AGC target of 40,000 @maximum fill time of 60ms. In a post-analysis process, raw data were first converted to peak lists using Proteome Discoverer version 2.2 (Thermo Electron), and then submitted to the Canis2019 database (24669 entries), using Mascot v. 2.2.04 (www.matrixscience.com) for protein identification. Mascot searches were done with 10 ppm and 0.02 Da deviation for precursor and fragment mass, respectively, and trypsin was specified as the enzyme. Methionine oxidation and the main formaldehyde reaction product on Lysine (+12.000) were set as a variable modification. Carbamidomethyl (C) was set as fixed modification. Peptides with an FDR<1% in combination with a mascot ion score >25 were accepted.

### Discriminative m/z signals

In order to identify significant differences regarding m/z values intensity among annotated regions, discriminative peaks between WD and PD tumor regions were explored using Receiving Operator Curve method and later tested using the Mann Whitney Wilcoxon Test, followed by the Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) post-test correction. For this method, the mean intensity of every m/z signal in each ROI was calculated and tested. Only m/z signals presenting AUC > 0.70 and FDR < 0.05 were considered significant.

# Functional enrichment analysis

Gene ontology (GO) was assessed using the online Webgestalt - WEB-based Gene SeT AnaLysis Toolkit (WANG et al., 2017a) platform, while pathway enrichment analysis was performed using the analysis tool from REACTOME database (FABREGAT et al., 2018). Protein symbols were used as inputs, and BH used as a correction method. Both GO and pathway enrichment analyzes were performed using the human genome-coding database as a reference set, for a more comprehensive knowledgebase regarding protein function. Enriched sets were considered significant if FDR < 0.05.

#### Network Interaction Analysis

MALDI-FT-ICR-MSI is an analytic technique that detects, in a high-resolution manner, the most abundant molecules on a tissue. In order to evaluate the interaction among the relevant molecules extracted from mammary carcinomas, we created the networks using only the peptides which protein identity could be retrieved from LC/MS-MS data. The mean intensity was calculated for every m/z signal, for each ROI in each group (well and poorly differentiated). For protein network inference, two networks were created, one for each condition. Proteins were used as nodes, and significant connections between them were identified using the Partial Correlation and Information Theory – PCIT (REVERTER; CHAN, 2008), where the significance between nodes is determined after accounting for all other nodes in the network. Connections were accepted when the partial correlation was greater than two standard deviations from the mean (p < 0.01), and significant correlations above |0.7| and their respective proteins were used for visualization in Cytoscape 2.8.3 (SHANNON et al., 2003).

### RESULTS

### Patients and samples

The study included 17 primary mammary gland tumors which were surgically removed from 5 unspayed female dogs with no previous history of either surgical or chemotherapy treatments. All five patients were diagnosed with metastatic disease, confirmed by anticytokeratin immunostaining in lymph nodes and other metastatic sites. Patient information and histopathological classification of tumors are detailed in Table 1. Areas of epithelial and myoepithelial cell populations, as well as stroma, consisting of connective tissue areas including blood vessels and peritumoral inflammatory cell infiltration, metastatic sites and nonneoplastic glands were selected and resulted in 10 TMA blocks.

	Age (years)	Breed	Status	Sample	Tumor	Histopathological classification
					1	Anaplastic carcinoma
PA1249	9	Labrador Retriever	Death*	58/17	-	Carcinoma e malignant myoepithelioma***
					-	Anaplastic carcinoma***
					2	Complex carcinoma
					3	Complex carcinoma
					4	Mixed-type carcinoma
22551			Death by tumor		-	Simple adenoma***
3255/	12	Daschund		61/17	5	Complex carcinoma
8448					6	Complex carcinoma
					7	Mixed-type carcinoma
					8	Mixed-type carcinoma
					9	Complex carcinoma
					10	Mixed-type carcinoma
2528/					11	Simple carcinoma
9422	12	Poodle	Alive**	63/17	12	Mixed-type carcinoma
6452					13	Simple carcinoma tubular type
					14	Benign mixed-type
066/19	10	Brazilian	Death by	(()10	15	Invasive Micropapillar carcinoma
000/18	12	Mastiff	tumor	00/18	16	Invasive Micropapillar carcinoma
PA1796	13	Mixed Breed	Death by tumor	71/18	17	Simple carcinoma tubular type

Table 1. Patients and sample information.

\* Unknown cause of death \*\* Until last contact with the owner > 400 days after surgery.

\*\*\* Tumor not included in the study due to tissue processing issues

# Mass spectrometry imaging dataset and tissue annotation

Whole imaging data set acquired by MALDI-FT-ICR spectrometer consisting in 48,070 pixels was subjected to RMS normalization procedure and peak picking. Overall, after data preprocessing and filtering, a peak list containing 1,087 individual signals within the mass range of m/z 900 to 3500 could be resolved on examined tissue. Average spectra and data set overview image are shown in Supplementary Figure S1.

After MS imaging data acquisition, ITO slides were HE stained and co-registered with MALDI-FT-ICR data set. For those slides which tissue quality was not considered adequate for annotation, consecutive sections from TMA blocks were used for this purpose. Cores that were lost or damaged by MSI tissue processing and/or staining were excluded from the analyses, and therefore, a total of 320 viable cores were subjected to pathological classification and annotation. From annotated regions, a total of 282 tumor ROIs were selected and further categorized as well differentiated (WD) and poorly differentiated (PD) tumor regions according to morphological criteria described in methods section (Figure 1), resulting in 70 and 212 ROIs belonging to each group, respectively. In addition, 108 stroma-only regions were also annotated as ROIs, but not included in any statistical analysis.



Figure 1 – Well differentiated (WD) and poorly differentiated (PD) tumor populations defined by morphological criteria such as tubule differentiation, mitotic index and nuclei and nucleoli pleomorphism. A total of 282 tumor regions in distinct stages of differentiation annotated from 17 tumors were evaluated for protein expression and network interaction by MSI and LC/MS-MS, in order to detect disease-state markers. Small picture: tissue core showing the annotation of a WD (blue) and a PD (red) region detailed in the higher magnification pictures. Red arrows point to atypical mitosis inside a PD tumor population. HE staining. Scale bar lower magnification: 500  $\mu$ m. Scale bar higher magnification: 50  $\mu$ m

# Determination of discriminative m/z signals between mammary tumor populations of distinct degrees of differentiation

Our next approach was to determine molecular dissimilarities between WD and PD subpopulations that could be contributing to tumor progression. Therefore, an equal number of spectra of each condition (n = 3,000) were used for the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve and later tested using the Wilcoxon rank-sum method, to detect ions that could be able to discriminate between annotated WD and PD tumor ROIs. We observed 254 significant m/z signals with AUC > 0.70 discriminating between conditions (Supplementary Table S1), where all ions were found more intensely expressed in WD tumor regions (heatmap can be visualized in Supplementary Figure S2). In addition, some signals were also expressed across stromal areas (Figure 2).



Figure 2 – Tissue distribution of signals at m/z 1585.762 (above, AUC = 0.75, FDR = 2.43E-14) and m/z 2104.043 (below, AUC = 0.75, FDR = 2.02E-12). Ions intensity is lower in PD (red line) than in WD (blue lines). Both ions were also expressed by stromal areas (yellow line). Note that m/z signals are heterogeneously expressed especially in stroma regions and WD tumor populations,

demonstrating the great advantage of MSI for the study of cancer populations as a complex system.

# Protein identification and functional enrichment of differentially expressed peptides between well and poorly differentiated tumor populations

To increase our understanding in what types of peptides were detected in WD and PD populations, TMAs belonging to the same case were pooled together, and LC/MS-MS of tryptic peptides was used for protein identity assignment based on mass matching to a canine database. Significant discriminative m/z values between WD and PD regions resulted in 45 proteins IDs (Supplementary Table S2) used for gene ontology and pathway functional enrichment analyzes. Gene ontology of differentially expressed proteins significantly enriched for terms such as extracellular matrix structural organization, supramolecular fiber organization and cell adhesion. In addition, proteins calnexin (CANX), heat-shock protein family A member 5 (HSPA5) and protein disulfide isomerase family A member 3 (PDIA3) enriched for protein folding in endoplasmic reticulum. (Table 2).

	Symbol	Description	UniProt ID
Protein folding	CANX	calnexin	P27824
in endoplasmic	HSPA5	heat shock protein Family A member 5	P11021
(FDR = 0.04)	PDIA3	protein disulfide isomerase Family A member 3	P30101
Extracellular	ABI3BP	ABI Family member 3 binding protein	Q7Z7G0
matrix structure	COL12A1	collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	Q99715
organization	COL1A1	collagen type I alpha 1 chain	P02452
(FDR = 0.045)	COL1A2	collagen type I alpha 2 chain	P08123
	COL6A3	collagen type VI alpha 3 chain	P12111
	LAMB2	laminin subunit beta 2	P11047
	VCAN	versican	P13611
Supramolecular	APOA1	apolipoprotein 1	P02647
fiber	COL12A1	collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	Q99715
(FDR = 0.045)	COL1A1	collagen type I alpha 1 chain	P02452
	COL1A2	collagen type I alpha 2 chain	P08123
	CTNNA1	catenin alpha 1	P35221
	EZR	ezrin	P15311
	LIMA1	LIM domain and actin binding 1	Q9UHB6
	SPTAN1	spectrin alpha, non-erytrocytic 1	Q13813
	TPM1	Tropomyosin 1	P09493

Table 2 – Biological processes and molecular function terms enriched in GO analysis using the 45 proteins IDs retrieved from LC/MS-MS data.

Cell adhesion	ABI3BP	ABI Family member 3 binding protein	Q7Z7G0
(FDR = 0.04)	APOA1	apolipoprotein 1	P02647
	ARHGDIA	Rho GDP dissociation inhibitor alpha	P52565
	COL12A1	collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	Q99715
	COL1A1	collagen type I alpha 1 chain	P02452
	COL6A3	collagen type VI alpha 3 chain	P12111
	CTNNA1	catenin alpha 1	P35221
	EMILIN2	elastin microfibril interface 2	Q9BXX0
	EZR	ezrin	P15311
	LAMB2	laminin subunit beta 2	P11047



Figure 3 – Tissue distribution of m/z signals assigned to proteins enriched in protein folding in endoplasmic reticulum: calnexin (m/z 1215.622), heat-shock protein family A member 5 (m/z 2042.051) and protein disulfide isomerase family A member 3 (m/z 1084.559). WD tumor regions (blue line), PD tumor regions (red line) and stroma (yellow line). A heterogeneous distribution can be observed, especially for HSPA5 protein across tumor ROIs, suggesting microscopically indistinct tumor subpopulations.

Besides a general overview of GO biological and molecular processes, we also performed a functional pathway enrichment of differentially expressed proteins upregulated in WD populations using the open-access and peer-reviewed REACTOME database, which describes possible reactions if all annotated proteins were present and active simultaneously in a cell. Among the six pathways significantly enriched in the analysis (Table 3), two were directly involved in protein processing in endoplasmic reticulum: the post-translational protein phosphorylation, represented by apolipoprotein 1 (APOA1), laminin subunit beta 2 (LAMB2), insulin-like growth factor binding protein 5 (IGFBP5) and versican (VCAN); and the prefoldin mediated transfer of substrate to CCT/TriC, comprising the T-complex protein 1 subunit gamma (CCT3) and tubulin beta 4B (TUBB4B).

PATHWAY NAME	ENTITIES								
	found**	ratio	p-value	FDR					
ECM proteoglycans	6/118	0.006	9.88E-6	0.008					
Collagen chain trimerization	4/44	0.002	3.52R-5	0.015					
Post-translational protein phosphorylation	5/109	0.005	7.11E-5	0.025					
Prefoldin mediated transfer of substrate to CCT/TriC	3/29	0.001	2.45E-4	0.045					
Collagen degradation	5/76	0.004	2.84E-4	0.045					
Assembly of collagen fibrils and other multimeric structures	4/79	0.004	3.29E-4	0.045					

Table 3 - Significant REACTOME enriched pathways sorted by FDR\*

\*FDR: false discovery rate

\*\* number of input proteins/total number of proteins in the pathway

## Network analysis of molecules detected in heterogeneous tumor populations

Interaction networks are a useful tool to decrypt the molecular basis of phenotypes. Therefore, to further explore protein functions and interaction in each condition, networks were created for well and poorly differentiated regions using all identified proteins across the MSI dataset. Two measures were taking into consideration for network analysis: the betweenness centrality value, which is a way of detecting the amount of influence a node has over the flow of information based on shortest paths; and the degree value, that is the number of connections a certain node has. Both networks were composed of 147 proteins and 10,737 connections, in which 1,448 were considered significant in WD and 1,986 were found significant in PD tumor regions (correlations > |0.7|), with a mean of 20 and 29 connections per node, respectively. From those, 32% in WD and 33% in PD were connections between two differentially expressed proteins. Tropomyosin 1 (TPM1) and BCL-2 associated athanogene (BAG3) were found highly connected and with a high betweenness in WD network, while caldesmon 1 (CALD1) and

cathenin alpha 1 (CTNNA1) were among the top 15 most connected and with a higher betweenness centrality in the PD network (Figure 4). CALD1 presented the highest number of connections in both WD (50 connections) and PD (65 connections) populations. Interestingly, TPM1 protein, which showed the highest betweenness in WD condition, was also significantly more expressed in this group in discriminative m/z analyses. Measurement results for all proteins in both networks are described in Supplementary Table S3 and S4.

# DISCUSSION

In the present study, we studied the inter and intratumor heterogeneity of canine mammary cancers using mass spectrometry imaging and LC-MS/MS associated to bioinformatic analyses. We assessed and compared 280 subpopulations extracted within 17 tumors from 5 patients, reducing the effect of genetic background and the influence of macro and microenvironment. The degree of differentiation is an important feature to generate relevant information regarding clinical behavior, and even in the molecular era, it has still been widely employed by human and veterinary pathologists having a direct impact to determine patient diagnosis and prognosis (ELSTON; ELLIS, 1991; RAKHA et al., 2010; CANADAS et al., 2018; KUPPUSAMY et al., 2019). It is well-known that the dedifferentiation degree is positively associated to malignancy (KUPIEC, 1997). Therefore, we used a well-established histological grading system to divide cancer populations into two distinct groups based on their level of differentiation: well and poorly differentiated tumor regions (WD and PD). Since all five patients had already developed to the metastatic form of the disease, a higher number of PD regions were observed in our samples.

Cells undergoing malignant progression and dedifferentiation have an increased proliferation and ability of adapting under adverse environments, which require a large demand for protein synthesis inevitably leading to ER stress resulting in protein misfolding, reduced ER processing and UPR activation (ARENSDORF; DIEDRICHS; RUTKOWSKI, 2013; CLARKE et al., 2014). In our study, we found five proteins involved in UPR and protein folding processes to be upregulated in WD compared to PD tumor populations: CCT3, TUBB4B, CANX, HSPA5 and PDIA3, demonstrating that ER stress possibly contribute to morphological changes and malignancy in canine cancer. This finding corroborates with a study by Ulianish et. al., which has demonstrated that thyroid cells execute a dedifferentiation programming with loss of epithelial organization as a response mechanism to ER stress, as part of an adaptive way





Figure 4 –Well differentiated (A) and poorly differentiated (B) networks created from significant correlations > |0.7| calculated by PCIT algorithm with all proteins detected in MSI data set (n = 147). Molecules in networks always have the structures in which molecules are more closely connected. Table shows the top proteins sorted by betweenness centrality value, where underlined symbols are differentially expressed proteins found in discriminative analysis, and asterisk represents proteins with a high betweenness in both conditions. Both WD and PD showed smaller modules containing connections between three or more proteins. Node size is positively correlated with betweenness, while color bar represents number of connections.

that facilitated cell survival (ULIANICH et al., 2008). In addition, for canine mammary cancer, immunostaining for Derlin-1 showed that metastatic cells, the later stage of tumor progression, presented an increased stress-associated unfolded protein response (KLOPFLEISCH et al., 2010a) compared to non-metastatic samples.

PDIA3 interacts with lectin chaperones calreticulin and calnexin to modulate folding of newly synthesized glycoproteins (ZHANG; BAIG; WILLIAMS, 2006). The low expression of PDIA3 have been associated to a poor overall survival for non-small lung cancer and gastric cancer, due to the formation of a complex with MHC class I and the high correlation with the expression of calreticulin, responsible for maintaining adequate calcium levels in organisms and also acting in ER (ZHANG; BAIG; WILLIAMS, 2006; WANG et al., 2017b; SHIMODA et al., 2019). Calnexin is a highly abundant transmembrane chaperone which folds synthesized glycoproteins in the lumen of the endoplasmic reticulum (AEBI et al., 2010; SHIBATA et al., 2010), while the heat shock protein 5 (also known as BIP) is a master regulator of the UPR (MALHOTRA; KAUFMAN, 2007). Higher levels of CANX and BIP were pointed out as markers for a worse prognosis in several types of cancer, indicating their association to tumor progression (LAKKARAJU; VAN DER GOOT, 2013; KOBAYASHI et al., 2015; RYAN et al., 2016). However, our results showed that both proteins were downregulated in PD in comparison to WD, suggesting that the loss of these proteins may also play a role in adaptation of cancer cells to ER stress and malignancy, together with PDIA3. In fact, some studies have demonstrated that, upon induction of ER stress, CANX and BIP proteins were underregulated inside normal and tumor cells, due to proteolytic cleavage of approximate 20% of CANX by caspase-8, and BIP sequestration on the cytoplasm by binding to misfolded or unfolded protein as to prevent the activation of signaling pathways, which could lead to apoptosis (BERTOLOTTI et al., 2000; LAKKARAJU; VAN DER GOOT, 2013; WANG; KAUFMAN, 2014). Those events trigger a compensatory mechanism which induces gene transcription and increase ER capacity by synthesizing more chaperones and UPR proteins, explaining the transient expression from early to advanced ER stress stages (KOZUTSUMI et al., 1988; DORNER; WASLEY; KAUFMAN, 1989).

Proteins with a significant number of interactions and/or a central role on information flow often can be used as key components to understand cancer-associated pathways and for biomarker discovery. As different expressed molecules are often downstream effects of network disturbing, molecules with high values of degree, and specially betweenness centrality, may be more important for network regulation than the differentially expressed proteins per se (GAMBARDELLA et al., 2013). In this work, TUBB4B protein was found not only downregulated in WD regions, but also with a high betweenness value, enriching for a pathway related to protein folding in ER. In cancer,  $\beta$ -tubulins interact with vimentin, a well-known metastasis marker intermediate filament, regulating the polarity of cell cytoskeleton with influence on EMT and cell migratory processes (GAN et al., 2016; CIRILLO; GOTTA; MERALDI, 2017). An intrinsic link between ER homeostasis, the initiation of ER stress response and the microtubule network has already been observed, but the mechanisms coregulating these processes still remain unclear (PARKER; KAVALLARIS; MCCARROLL, 2014). TUBB4B downregulation has been shown to be critical for increasing migration of metastatic cells in colon cancer, where TUBB4B decrease was followed by changes in cell morphology and an increased number of matured focal adhesion sites, corroborating with our results (SOBIERAJSKA et al., 2019). Although TUBB4B did not enrich for this specific biological process, cell adhesion was also a significant term found in our GO analysis.

Besides microtubules, tropomyosins also have an increased functional complexity in non-muscle cells acting as microfilaments which stabilize the cytoskeleton (GUNNING et al., 2015). In this study, protein network interaction showed TPM1 as an important regulator protein in WD regions, as it presented the higher betweenness value and was also found significantly upregulated in this condition, therefore losing its expression during dedifferentiation. In 2010, Klopfleisch and collaborators showed that TPM1 was downregulated in canine metastatic mammary carcinomas compared to non-metastatic samples, but the mechanisms behind it were not evaluated (KLOPFLEISCH et al., 2010b). In human breast cancer, TPM1 was reported as having a tumor suppression gene function (BHARADWAJ; PRASAD, 2002). Recently, studies in different types of cancer have been able to describe how a lower expression of TPM1 was associated to an increase of cell proliferation, metastasis and evasion of apoptosis (LIU et al., 2018; TANG et al., 2018; LIN et al., 2019; WANG et al., 2019). In this work, we also observed that TPM1 might be linked with protein processing alterations due to ER stress, since connections between TPM1 and proteasomal

ubiquitin receptor ADRM1, as well as TPM1 and apolipoprotein-1 (APOA1), were among the connections with the most significant partial correlations (>|0.9|) involving TPM1 protein. Proteasomal ubiquitin receptor ADRM1 is part of a complex which plays a role in the maintenance of protein homeostasis by removing misfolded or damaged proteins, participating in numerous cellular processes, such as cell cycle progression, apoptosis and DNA damage repair (JORGENSEN et al., 2006), while APOA1 is the major protein component of high-density lipoprotein, and it has been suggested as having a protective role against cancer (ZAMANIAN-DARYOUSH; DIDONATO, 2015). Here, enrichment analysis showed APOA1 overlapping with cell adhesion and post-translational protein phosphorylation processes. These results support the theory that reticular stress is a major contributor to cancer dedifferentiation and metastatic progression in canine mammary carcinomas.

In conclusion, through the comparison of the proteomic profile of intratumor populations in different degrees of differentiation, we demonstrated that the malignant phenotype may had arisen as a consequence of alterations in protein processing due to endoplasmic reticulum stress, in which the downregulation of key proteins like TPM1, TUBB4B, CANX, HSPA5, PDIA3 and APOA1 involved in pathways as cell adhesion and posttranslational processes can contribute to tumor progression and metastasis. Now, further investigations are necessary to deeply characterize molecular alterations in tumor subpopulations in regard to the way that pathways such as the response of reticular stress evolves with malignancy. Therefore, we expect to identify proteins that may be validated as disease-state markers in canine mammary cancer, and further expand our findings to comparative studies in human oncology research.

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# CAPÍTULO 3 - MALDI-IMAGING GUIDED PROTEOMIC ANALYSIS OF INTRATUMOR HETEROGENEITY: A STUDY IN A CANINE METASTATIC MAMMARY CARCINOMA

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# ABSTRACT

In recent years, it has become evident that cells within a single tumor may differ in morphological, genetic and behavioral phenotypes. Sequential analyzes in several types of cancer showed that intratumor heterogeneity (ITH) evolves during the disease course, with implications for predictive and therapeutic targets. Importantly, tumor subclones influencing patient outcome may evade detection as a consequence of the regional separation from the tumor biopsy site. In this study, we aimed to identify and characterize spatially resolved molecular diversity in various tissue compartments within a unique solid canine mammary tumor mass, in order to detect cancer subpopulations which could be further evaluated as driving malignant progression. MALDI-FT-ICR-MSI spectra acquired from a primary tumor sample were grouped using an unsupervised clustering method in order to obtain segmentation maps of molecularly distinct regions. Then, discriminative analysis was performed in five major tumor clusters using ROC method, for a deeper exploration of differences in peptide expression between clusters. We demonstrated a distinct expression pattern of 44 proteins retrieved from 68 peptides, which enriched for terms such as structural molecule activity, immune system process, gene expression regulation, epigenetic regulation and others. Additionally, peptides corresponding to proteins CSN2, CLU, LOC475521, Histone H2, RPL8, GAPDH and IGHM were found upregulated on metastatic cells inside lymphatic vessels (ILM) compared to those in the regional lymph node (LNM). Also, ILM and LNM regions correlated to distinct primary tumor subpopulations CL3 and CL1, respectively. Further analyzes are needed for new insights into the underlying biological processes related to ITH, which will help in the development of novel and improved targeted therapies.

Key words: Cancer biology, intratumor heterogeneity, MALDI-imaging, mammary cancer

# BACKGROUND

Although morphological tumor heterogeneity was first described many decades ago, evidences of molecular intratumor heterogeneity only started to be deeply explored after the advent of next-generation sequencing (NGS) technologies, where cancer subpopulations differing in genetic, epigenetic and microenvironmental components were found to be cooperative and contributing to tumor progression (AXELROD; AXELROD; PIENTA, 2006; TSUJI et al., 2008; CALBO et al., 2011; NEELAKANTAN; DRASIN; FORD, 2015). In veterinary medicine, the perception of tumor heterogeneity as a potential problem has existed for decades (LARUE et al., 1994). However, the lack of genomic information, and the sparse information on molecular mechanisms of carcinogenesis in domestic animals appeared as obstacles for the advance of veterinary oncology, especially regarding therapeutic strategies. Only in recent years, relevant findings from studies involving gene and protein expression patterns have been applied to clinical diagnosis and therapy (HAHN et al., 2008; FRANTZ et al., 2012; DA COSTA et al., 2013; REGAN et al., 2016; FOWLES et al., 2017). Still, intratumor heterogeneity appears as an additional and important problem of how to target cancer in a more efficient manner, since current therapies including immunotherapies, rarely take ITH into account.

Mass spectrometry imaging (MSI) correlates the chemical information collected from multiple molecules using a mass spectrometer with spatial information of histological sections, and therefore is a useful tool for analyzing intratumor heterogeneity in cancer tissues (BALLUFF; HANSELMANN; HEEREN, 2017). Up to date, only a few studies were performed using MSI in canine cancer, which all involved lipidic profiling which identified molecules that could be used to distinguish between tumors, or between tumoral from non-tumoral areas (DILL et al., 2009; JARMUSCH et al., 2015; D'HUE et al., 2018). To our knowledge, this is the first work to address intratumor heterogeneity in a canine mammary carcinoma through an untargeted approach, using a high-resolution MALDI imaging platform to spatially resolve distinct molecular features across the tissue. Although still a preliminary study, it comes as an important starting point for exploring such a complex system, directing the search for specific alterations leading to new tumor biomarkers.

### MATERIAL AND METHODS

Tissue sample

Primary tumor and regional lymph nodes were obtained in collaboration with the Veterinary Hospital of the Octávio Bastos Teaching Foundation (UNIFEOB) in São João da Boa Vista, Brazil (procedures were approved by FZEA/USP Ethics Committee, protocol number CEUA 8632101017). The entire tumor mass was fractionated into ±1 cm<sup>3</sup> pieces, and each fragment was fixed separately in a 10% buffered formalin solution, processed according to standard histological protocols and embedded in paraffin. Diagnosis of mammary carcinoma was confirmed by two pathologists (YGC and RFS) following the classification of Goldschmidt et. al. (GOLDSCHMIDT et al., 2011). In order to better assess intratumor heterogeneity, all FFPE blocks (primary tumor fragments and regional lymph nodes) were sectioned and hematoxylin and eosin stained for histopathological evaluation and determination of areas to be assembled for multiplex analysis. Comparable areas of epithelial cancer cells in primary tumors, as well as metastatic populations in the lymph node were marked on histological slides and served as guides for tissue removal. Selected cores were assembled as tissue microarrays (TMAs).

# Immunostaining

Pan-cytokeratin immunostaining was performed in the lymph node sample in order to confirm metastatic cell infiltration. Briefly, FFPE blocks were cut into 3 µm thick fragments and mounted into silanized glass slides. Antigen retrieval was performed using a 0,01M Sodium Citrate solution at pH 6 on a steam heating at approximately 96°C for 20 minutes. For blockades, slides were incubated to a 3% hydrogen peroxide solution for 20 minutes at room temperature, followed by a second blockade using a 5% non-fat milk solution at room temperature for one hour. Primary mouse monoclonal antibody (Clone AE1/AE3, Agilent Dako, EUA) was used at 1:200 concentration (diluted in 1% BSA/PBS) at room temperature for 2 hours. Primary antibody was omitted as a negative control, and a canine primary mammary carcinoma used for positive control. Next, slides were incubated for 20 minutes with the polymer system EasyLink One (EasyLink One kit EP-12-20502, EasyPath), visualized with DAB (EP-12-20542, EasyPath) and counterstained with hematoxylin.

# Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization mass spectrometry imaging (MALDI-MSI) and peak picking

MALDI-MSI was carried in the Department of Proteomics and Metabolomics of Leiden University Medical Center – LUMC (Netherlands). Paraffin-embedded tissue microarrays were sectioned into 4  $\mu$ m thick slices and placed on indium tin oxide (Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany) coated glass slides pre-treated with 1:1 poly-L-lysine (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, USA) and 0,1% Nonidet P-40 (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, USA). Sections were incubated on a heated plate for one hour at 60°C, dewaxed in xylene, rehydrated and washed with ultra-filtered water. Antigen retrieval was performed in heated citrate buffer using a steamer at 92°C for 20 minutes, followed by cooling at room temperature for 120 minutes. A specific trypsin solution for mass spectrometry (0.02µg/ml, Trypsin Gold, Promega Corporation, Wisconsin, USA) was sprayed using the SunCollect equipment (SunChrom, Friedrichsdorf, Germany) and slides were then incubated for 18h at 37°C and 95% of relative humidity. Matrix used for ion extraction (25 mg/mL of dihydroxybenzoic acid in 50% aqueous acetonitrile and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid) was also applied using SunCollect. MALDI-FT-ICR data acquisition was performed in positive ion mode (Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany), in a range of m/z 500-5000 Da and lateral resolution of 100 µm. RMS normalized average spectrum was exported to mMass 5.5.0, an open source mass spectrometry tool (STROHALM et al., 2008), and mass spectral processing and peak picking were conducted using skyline projection with the following settings: (i) baseline correction, relative offset 25; (ii) signal to noise ratio (S/N) = 7 and relative intensity threshold of 1%; and (iii) deisotoping with a max charge of 2+ and isotope mass tolerance of 0.02 m/z.

### Liquid chromatrography/tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS)

For LC-MS/MS analysis, on-tissue tryptic digestion was performed as described in MALDI-MSI method section. Lyophilized peptides were dissolved in 95/3/0.1 v/v/v water/acetonitrile/formic acid and subsequently analyzed by on-line C18 nano HPLC MS/MS with a system consisting of an Easy-nLC 1200 gradient HPLC system (Thermo, Bremen, Germany), and an Orbitrap Fusion Lumos mass spectrometer (Thermo). Samples were injected onto a homemade precolumn (100  $\mu$ m × 15 mm, C18 Reprosil-Pur C18-AQ, 3 um, 120 A, and eluted via a homemade analytical nano-HPLC column (50 cm  $\times$  75  $\mu$ m; Reprosil-Pur C18-AQ 1.9 um, 120 A (Dr. Maisch, Ammerbuch, Germany). The gradient was run from 2% to 36% solvent B (20/80/0.1 water/acetonitrile/formic acid (FA) v/v/v) in 120 min. The nano-HPLC column was drawn to a tip of  $\sim 10 \ \mu m$  and acted as the electrospray needle of the MS source. The mass spectrometer was operated in data-dependent MS/MS mode for a cycle time of 3 seconds, with a HCD collision energy at 32 V and recording of the MS2 spectrum in the orbitrap, with a quadrupole isolation width of 1.2 Da. In the master scan (MS1) the resolution was 120,000, the scan range 400-1500, at an AGC target of 4,000,000 @maximum fill time of 50ms. Precursors were dynamically excluded after n=1 with an exclusion duration of 60s, and with a precursor range of 20 ppm. Charge states 2-4were included. For MS2 the first mass was

set to 110 Da, and the MS2 scan resolution was 30,000 at an AGC target of 40,000 @maximum fill time of 60ms. In a post-analysis process, raw data were first converted to peak lists using Proteome Discoverer version 2.2 (Thermo Electron), and then submitted to the Canis2019 database (24669 entries), using Mascot v. 2.2.04 (www.matrixscience.com) for protein identification. Mascot searches were done with 10 ppm and 0.02 Da deviation for precursor and fragment mass, respectively, and trypsin was specified as the enzyme. Methionine oxidation and the main formaldehyde reaction product on Lysine (+12.000) were set as a variable modification. Carbamidomethyl (C) was set as fixed modification. Peptides with an FDR<1%

### Statistical analysis

# Unsupervised clustering and principal component analysis (PCA)

For the assessment of detailed molecular patterns across tissue samples, spectra from primary tumor and metastasis ROIs were imported into SCiLS Lab software (2016b, Bruker Daltonics, Bremen, Germany) and pre-processed by RMS normalization. In order to identify primary intratumor subclones, a multivariate partitioning algorithm was applied, where tumor spectra were clustered using bisecting *k-means* method and Euclidean distance metrics, with a minimum interval width of 10 ppm and weak denoising. Common spatial identities of molecular patterns in the sample were visualized by colored pixels accordingly to dendrogram nodes. Hierarchical clustering using Euclidean distance, row normalization and Ward's linkage method and principal component analysis with unit variance scaling were performed to determine the variability among primary intratumor clusters assessed by image segmentation, and metastasis regions of interest.

### Discriminative m/z values

In order to identify significant differences regarding m/z values among tumor subclones, discriminative peaks were at first evaluated using Receiving Operator Curve method, with adjusted number of spectra per group, and later tested for statistical significance using multiple *t-tests* followed by Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) correction on GraphPad Prism 6.01 for Windows (GraphPad Software, La Jolla, California, USA, www.graphpad.com). Only m/z signals presenting AUC > 0.70 and Q-value < 1% were considered significant. For the assessment of differential peptide expression between intra-lymphatic and regional lymph node metastasis, m/z signals were tested using Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test followed by BH correction, and only m/z values with FDR < 0.01 were considered significant.

### Pathway enrichment analysis

Enrichment analysis was performed through the overrepresentation test on PANTHER classification system (www.pantherdb.org), using the Reactome version 65 as annotation version and the human genome-coding database for a more comprehensive knowledgebase regarding protein function. Protein symbols were used as input lists and were analyzed by Fisher's exact test followed by FDR correction. Enriched pathways were considered significant if FDR < 0.05.

# RESULTS

#### Tissue annotation and proteomics

Nine mammary tumors were surgically removed from the 12 years old unspayed female Dachshund with no previous history of either surgical or chemotherapy treatments. However, in this study, only the one tumor diagnosed as a complex carcinoma was used (Figure 1A and 1B). Metastatic cell groups were detected in a regional lymph node by histopathological examination and immunostaining, also included in the analysis (Figure 1C and 1D). In total, primary tumor and lymph node samples resulted in 37 viable cores used for histopathological annotation (Figure 1E). HE stained tissue scanned image was co-registered with MALDI-FT-ICR-MSI data, and cancer areas in primary tumor (n = 115) and synchronous metastasis inside lymphatic vessels (n = 3) and in regional lymph node (n = 3) were annotated and defined as regions of interest (ROIs). Spectra generated by imaging of tryptic peptides (n = 4,131) were exported from all 121 ROIs, where the participation of spectra of each group was as follows: primary tumor -94%; metastasis inside lymphatics -0.7%; metastasis in regional lymph node -5.1%. Overall, after data processing and peak picking, 1,535 individual signals within the mass range of m/z 900 to 3500 could be resolved on examined tissue. Tryptic peptides were also extracted from a consecutive TMA section, analyzed by LC-MS/MS and compared to a canine database, from which 530 protein IDs could be retrieved. The comparison between 1,535 MSI m/z signals to LC/MS-MS data resulted in the identification of 108 peptides, assuming a mass tolerance of  $\pm 10$  ppm. Several peptides were assigned to the same proteins, and therefore, 62 proteins could be identified in MSI dataset (complete list of proteins with respective m/zsignals can be find in Supplementary Table S1).

# Differential expression between intra-lymphatic metastatic cells and regional lymph node metastasis

Cancer cells spreading to regional lymph nodes has been established as an important prognostic factor in many types of cancer, whilst no treatment strategies specifically target lymph metastasis. Our first step was to verify significant molecular differences between intralymphatic metastatic cancer cells (ILM) and cancer populations in the regional lymph node (LNM). Considering data structure and large disparity of number of spectra across ILM and LNM groups (n = 27 and 212, respectively), 108 m/z signals were tested using Wilcoxon Rank



Figure 1 – Canine samples used in the study. (A, B) Mammary gland carcinoma, complex-type, showing areas of malignant epithelial proliferation and spindle-shaped myoepithelial cells (black arrow), supported by a fibrovascular stroma. Epithelial cells were arranged in irregular tubules, presenting moderate to marked anisokaryosis and anisocytosis, and variable number of mitoses were present. Scale: 50  $\mu$ m (C, D) Pan-cytokeratin immunostaining of mammary cancer cells in the regional lymph node. Areas of tubule differentiation (red arrow) and mitotic figures (yellow arrows) could be evidenced. (E) Tissue microarray comprising 35 cores removed from primary tumor tissue (red line area) and two cores collected from the regional lymph node (yellow line area). Scale bar: 5 mm.

Sum method, a more robust method for unequal sample sizes (MANN; WHITNEY, 1947). We found 37 significant m/z signals differentially expressed between groups (FDR < 0.01), from which 31 proteins IDs could be retrieved. Clusterin (CLU, at m/z 1232.610 and m/z 1427.639), beta-casein (CSN2, at m/z 1585.775), LOC475521 (at m/z 1045.565), histone H2 (HIST1H2BB, at m/z 1751.059), ribosomal protein L8 (RPL8, at m/z 1749.091), glyceraldehyde-3-phospate dehydrogenase (GAPDH, at m/z 1697,895) and immunoglobulin heavy chain mu (IGHM, at m/z 1635.862) were found significantly upregulated in metastatic cells inside lymphatic vessels compared to regional lymph node cell populations (Figure 2).



Figure 2 – Heatmap showing protein expression patterns between intra-lymphatic metastatic cells (ILM) and metastasis in the regional lymph node (LNM) after testing 108 m/z values for differential expression. CLU, CSN2, LOC475521, HIST1H2BB, RPL8, GAPDH and IGHM were found to be upregulated in ILM compared to LNM regions. \*KRT represents unique peptides which were assigned to two different types of keratin, but were not excluded from the analysis.

### Molecular clustering for the identification of primary intratumor subpopulations

Intratumor heterogeneity influences cancer progression and disease outcome, where the identification of tumor subclones with greater clinical relevance is fundamental for patient management. Thus, our next step was to assess molecular distinct tumor subclones regardless morphological phenotype, by means of a *top-down* unsupervised method that works without a pre-defined number of clusters. M/z values of the 108 peptides were used for image segmentation of primary tumor, and spectral features (n = 3,892), represented by a dendrogram, were colored allowing on-tissue identification of different clusters with distinct peptide expression patterns across the sample (Figure 3A). Morphologically similar clusters with a distinct peptide expression pattern could be identified (Figure 3B), demonstrating that malignant tumor behavior may be driven by microscopically indistinct subpopulations.

### Discriminative m/z signals between intratumor subpopulations

For an in-depth characterization of intratumor subpopulations, a univariate biomarker analysis was used to evaluate the ability of m/z values to distinguish between clusters, in order to identify differences that could be relevant for tumor progression. Therefore, area under the curve was calculated for each one of the 108 peptides by comparisons between five major clusters - CL1, CL2, CL3, CL4 and CL5 – where m/z signals presenting AUC > 0.70 were later tested for statistical significance (Figure 4). A total of 68 peptides resulted from ten comparisons, (average of  $26 \pm 9.5$  significant m/z value per comparison) with several m/z values distinguishing two or more clusters (Table 1). Interestingly, peptides identified by LC/MS-MS corresponding to alpha-casein s1 (CSN1S1, at m/z 1375.618) beta-casein (CSN2, at m/z1585.776 and m/z 1002.573), and basal keratin 5 (KRT5, at m/z 1824.910) presented AUC  $\geq$ 0.90 and FDR < 0.01 between CL5 and every other cluster, demonstrating that the combination of such signals have a strong accuracy to distinguish this specific subclone from all others (highlighted in Table 1).



Figure 3 – Image segmentation of MSI dataset using m/z values from 108 peptides. (A) Unsupervised molecular clustering of primary tumor spectra using bisecting k-means method aiming to the identification of distinct subpopulations. Dendrogram shows spatial localization of each cluster. Numbers beside colored boxes represent the number of spectra per cluster. (B) Representation of microscopically identical primary tumor areas within the same tissue core in which two distinct clusters (light blue and gold) could be evidenced. Scale bar: 500  $\mu$ m (upper right HE tissue core) and 50  $\mu$ m (bottom).



Figure 4 – Five major clusters (CL1, CL2, CL3, CL4 and CL5) were selected for discriminative analysis after molecular clustering of imaging dataset using 108 m/z values. First, groups were formed by picking 100 random spectra of each small cluster. Then, test sample size was adjusted to 100 spectra per group, also randomly assigned. Ten ROC analyzes were performed in order to identify the most relevant peptides/proteins which could be influencing in tumor progression: (i) CL1 vs. CL2; (ii) CL1 vs. CL3; (iii) CL1 vs. CL4; (iv) CL1 vs. CL5 (v) CL2 vs. CL3; (vi) CL2 vs. CL4; and (vii) CL2 vs. CL5; (viii) CL3 vs. CL4; (ix) CL3 vs. CL5; and (x) CL4 vs. CL5. M/z values presenting AUC > 0.70 were later tested for statistical significance, and those with FDR < 0.01 were considered as discriminative peptides.

Dontido		CL1	CL1	CL1	CL1	CL2	CL2	CL2	CL3	CL3	CL4
r eptide	Protein ID	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.
m/z.		CL2	CL3	CL4	CL5	CL3	CL4	CL5	CL4	CL5	CL5
976.4490	АСТВ								0.72		
1198.7064	ACTB		0.72				0.72		0.81		0.76
1427.6390	CLU			0.75			0.71				
1223.6181	COL1A2						0.74				
1261.6359	COL1A2			0.72			0.72				
1114.5050	COL4A3				0.79			0.75		0.77	0.7
1359.6201	CSN1S1				0.86			0.87		0.88	0.80
1375.6181	CSN1S1			0.72	0.96			0.92		0.95	0.90
1773.8443	CSN1S1				0.84			0.85		0.82	0.82
2065.9241	CSN1S1				0.81			0.78		0.79	0.72
1002.5725	CSN2			0.82	0.98		0.73	0.98	0.71	0.97	0.94
1014.5720	CSN2				0.73			0.72		0.74	
1585.7756	CSN2			0.85	0.99		0.84	0.99	0.73	0.97	0.90
1564.6783	DTD1		0.74		0.77			0.72			0.71

Table 1 - AUC of discriminative peptides between clusters (FDR < 0.01).

1225.5624	FLNA			0.75							0.72
1697.8958	GAPDH			0.76	0.86		0.76	0.85	0.73	0.83	
1274.7013	H2AC11	0.74	0.94	0.80	0.95	0.82		0.86			
944.5340	H2AFZ	0.73	0.94	0.71	0.89	0.82		0.76	0.79		0.74
1325.7572	H4C1	0.79	0.94	0.74	0.90	0.77		0.73	0.77		0.73
1166.6212	HIST1H1C		0.79	0.82	0.91	0.80	0.83	0.91			
1198.6701	HIST1H1C		0.89	0.78	0.93	0.76		0.82			0.73
1326.7608	HIST1H1C	0.75	0.91	0.75	0.90	0.78		0.75	0.75		0.73
1092.6077	HIST1H2BB		0.76	0.74	0.82	0.79	0.77	0.84			
1137.5513	HIST1H2BB		0.71			0.71				0.74	
1751.0592	HIST1H2BB	0.77	0.92	0.86	0.95	0.71		0.75			
1227.6750	HIST1H2BB		0.84	0.70	0.77						
1221.5584	HNRNPA2B1	0.71	0.86		0.71	0.70			0.75		
1313.6062	HNRNPA2B1	0.72	0.90		0.77	0.76			0.77		
1377.6394	HNRNPA2B1		0.74								
1664.7863	HNRNPA2B1						0.72		0.73		
2205.9200	HNRNPA2B1	0.74	0.90		0.75	0.74			0.80		
1194.7048	HNRNPK		0.76								
1114.6393	HNRNPM		0.76					0.91	0.75		
1459.6979	HNRNPM						0.76				
1714.9268	HNRNPU	0.80	0.91	0.72	0.80	0.72			0.76		
2171.1641	HNRNPU	0.71	0.81		0.83				0.75		0.76
917.5012	HSPB1		0.82	0.73	0.85	0.80		0.83			
1960.9278	IGHM							0.75		0.72	
1415.7094	IGLL5							0.72		0.75	0.77
1050.5524	KRT*				0.71						
1203.6275	KRT*		0.87	0.76	0.95	0.73		0.84			0.76
1361.6779	KRT*		0.80		0.73	0.75			0.74		
1265.6293	KRT1	0.75	0.91	0.75	0.88	0.72					
2367.2775	KRT10	0.71	0.79		0.85			0.73			0.71
1936.9996	KRT18		0.87		0.75	0.73			0.70		
1380.7139	KRT5			0.77			0.83		0.77		
1824.9089	KRT5			0.77	0.99		0.73	0.99	0.73	0.98	0.92
1126.6675	KRT7								0.70		
1473.7804	KRT8		0.71								
1489.7047	KRT8		0.74		0.77	0.71		0.74			
1473.6759	LASP1			0.77			0.79				
1507.7304	LMNA									0.78	
1108.5195	LOC491263			0.85	0.99		0.79	0.99	0.70	0.95	0.88
1745.9258	LRRFIP1				0.73						
1571.8141	MAP4				0.72			0.74		0.74	
1322.6586	NDRG1		0.73								
1757.8635	PRRC2A		_		0.73	0.72		0.74			
1237.5552	RBM14	0.70	0.82		0.74		_				
1144.6405	RPL6		0.85	0.85	0.92	0.84	0.84				
1769.9900	RPL6	a –	0.78								
1749.0916					~						
	RPL8	0.70	0.72		0.73			_			

1219.6474	RPS8		0.76		0.70						
1117.5070	SAA1		0.72								
1274.6473	SAA1								0.74	0.74	0.75
1399.6201	TAGLN2	0.71	0.85		0.74						
1510.7110	VIM			0.75			0.79		0.75		0.74
1897.8114	YBX1		0.91	0.88	0.94	0.81	0.76	0.85			

\* KRT: unique peptides which were assigned to two different types of keratin, but were not excluded from the analysis.

# Protein identification and pathway enrichment analysis

Our next step was to verify whether discriminative peptides between clusters could be related to proteins involved in cancer development and progression pathways, where the identification of specific alterations could lead to the determination of clusters in different levels of malignancy and/or disease-state markers. Thus, protein IDs were retrieved for the 68 *m/z* values resulting from discriminative analysis, and the expression pattern of the 44 resulting proteins are demonstrated in Figure 5. For those proteins which presented two or more peptides, mean expression was used for a better visual representation. Protein IDs served as input for gene ontology, and significantly enriched for terms involved in molecular binding, regulation, cellular organization, metabolic processes and others (Figure 5). Next, the same protein ID input list was used for pathway enrichment analysis using the REACTOME database on PANTHER overrepresentation test, where 32 pathways presenting a fold enrichment higher than 20 were found to be significant (Table 2).

# Molecular clustering for the identification of primary intratumor subpopulations with a similar ILM and LNM molecular signature

Finally, we aimed to identify, among primary tumor clusters, in which peptide expression pattern resembled ILM and LNM regions, in order to characterize a molecular signature that could be further explored and validated as predictive of metastasis. Thus, hierarchical clustering and principal component analysis were performed using the average m/z intensity of the 68 peptides resulting from previous discriminative analysis. Both analyzes showed ILM and LNM regions closely related to different tumor subpopulations, respectively CL3 and CL1, as demonstrated in Figure 6.



Figure 5 – Protein expression pattern of 44 proteins in five major tumor clusters selected after unsupervised image segmentation. Proteins such as collagen IV (COL4A3), caseins (CSN1S1, CSN2), basal keratin 5 (KRT 5), immunoglobulin heavy chain mu (IGHM) and microtubule-associated protein (MAP4) were upregulated in CL5 compared to other clusters. A list comprised by the 44 protein IDs were used for gene ontology regarding their molecular function and related biological processes, in which binding and structural molecule activity, as well as cellular and metabolic processes were the functions with a higher number of hits.

Table 2 – Pathway enrichment analysis using a human protein-coding reference database for a better comprehension of protein functions. Significant pathways are sorted by fold enrichment value.

	Reference List	Input List*		Fold	
Pathways (reference number)	(20996)	(42)	Expected**	Enrichment	FDR
GP1b-IX-V activation signalling (R-HSA-430116)	11	2	0.02	90.89	2.19E-02
Anchoring fibril formation (R-HSA-2214320)	15	2	0.03	66.65	3.25E-02
Cell-extracellular matrix interactions (R-HSA- 446353)	18	2	0.04	55.54	4.28E-02
Crosslinking of collagen fibrils (R-HSA-2243919)	18	2	0.04	55.54	4.17E-02

B-WICH complex positively regulates rRNA expression (R-HSA-5250924)	59	3	0.12	25.42	2.02E-02
DNA Damage/Telomere Stress Induced Senescence (R-HSA-2559586)	61	3	0.12	24.59	2.14E-02
Formation of the cornified envelope (R-HSA-6809371)	129	6	0.26	23.25	2.97E-04
Viral mRNA Translation (R-HSA-192823)	89	4	0.18	22.47	1.10E-02
Peptide chain elongation (R-HSA-156902)	89	4	0.18	22.47	9.65E-03
Selenocysteine synthesis (R-HSA-2408557)	93	4	0.19	21.5	9.10E-03
Eukaryotic Translation Termination (R-HSA- 72764)	93	4	0.19	21.5	8.28E-03
Amyloid fiber formation (R-HSA-977225)	70	3	0.14	21.42	2.86E-02
Eukaryotic Translation Elongation (R-HSA- 156842)	94	4	0.19	21.27	7.90E-03
Nonsense Mediated Decay (NMD) independent of the Exon Junction Complex (EJC) (R-HSA- 975956)	95	4	0.19	21.05	7.59E-03
Positive epigenetic regulation of rRNA expression (R-HSA-5250913)	74	3	0.15	20.27	3.24E-02

\* Total number of proteins on input list: 44; uniquely mapped IDs: 42; multiple mapping information: 2 \*\* Expected value corresponds to the number of proteins you would expect on the input list for each category, based on the reference list

# DISCUSSION

One of the major clinical challenges in cancer treatment is the different outcome of cancer patients under conventional therapies. An important determinant for this phenomenon has been identified as intratumor heterogeneity (ITH), defined as the coexistence of tumor subpopulations that differ in their (epi)genetic, phenotypic or behavioral characteristics within a primary tumor, or between the primary tumor and its metastasis (MARUSYK; POLYAK, 2010). In human breast cancer, evidences show that cancer cells subclones may exist across different geographical regions of a tumor, and may evolve over time (GEYER et al., 2010; NAVIN et al., 2010). Therefore, investigation of ITH requires an untargeted molecular analysis technique that accounts for the spatial and temporal dynamics of the tumor. In this context, mass spectrometry imaging comes as a powerful tool for spatially resolved molecular analysis of biological tissues. In this pilot study, we described for the first time the application of MSI in canine mammary carcinomas for the assessment of intratumor heterogeneity, which can be used for veterinary and comparative oncology studies. Using 121 different intratumor populations and synchronous metastatic regions from the same patient, which nearly eliminates genetic and experimental biases, we demonstrated molecular alterations that may indicate areas



Figure 6 – Heatmap in both peptide (left, represented by m/z values) and protein levels (right, represented by protein symbols), and principal component analysis showing the proximity of ILM and LNM regions with clusters CL3 and CL1, respectively. PCA was performed in protein level, and for proteins with two or more assigned peptides, mean expression was used.

in different stages of tumor progression and can be further explored for new predictive and therapeutic targets.

The first scientific description of MALDI-MSI to evaluate intratumoral heterogeneity have demonstrated that regions within the same tumor could be grouped and related to one another by spectrum similarity, through unsupervised methods such as the hierarchical clustering approach (DEININGER et al., 2008). Since then, positive associations between clinical prognosis, malignancy characteristics, and ITH analyzed by the MALDI-MSI technique have been reported in gastric, mammary, intestinal, prostatic, and renal tumors, in which statistical strategies were efficient to separate samples with similar molecular profiles, revealing different tumor subpopulations (BALLUFF et al., 2015; BUCK et al., 2015; PANDERI et al., 2017). For example, among three ovarian tumors primarily classified as noninvasive, post-MSI

reclassification have shown that these tumors in fact presented features associated with the development of malignant progression (SANS et al., 2017). In another study using formalin-fixed specimens, MALDI-MSI evaluation associated to principal component analysis was able to distinguish prostate neoplasms from healthy tissues more efficiently than the conventional histopathological method (PANDERI et al., 2017).

Approximately 90% of cancer related deaths occur due to metastatic dissemination (MEHLEN; PUISIEUX, 2006). In breast cancer, lymph metastasis is the earliest sign of metastatic spread and the one of the most powerful independent prognostic factors, where the detection of vascular invasion has a close relationship with recurrence and overall survival (PINDER et al., 1994; WEIGELT; PETERSE; VAN'T VEER, 2005). However, metastasis is considered to be an inefficient process, with only a small percentage of the cells within the primary tumor having the potential to colonize and survive in a secondary site (CHAMBERS; GROOM; MACDONALD, 2002). In addition, evidences show that metastatic cells in secondary sites present a distinct molecular spectrum from those in the primary tumor cells, which could be addressed mainly to the fact that disseminated cells undergo rounds of mutation and selection, and also to the fact that current studies simply missed the area in the primary tumor from which cancer cells had disseminated (KLEIN, 2009; STOECKLEIN; KLEIN, 2010). Here, we were able to access not only differences between metastatic emboli within vessels (ILM) and a secondary site (LNM), but also differences in tumor subclones that may lead to a more accurate indication of the population that originated these metastases.

Among differentially expressed proteins between ILM and LNM regions, ILM upregulated clusterin, GAPDH and CSN2, stand out for their reported association with cells exhibiting a higher metastatic potential (LAU et al., 2006; FLANAGAN et al., 2010; ZHOU et al., 2017; SIROVER, 2018; ZHU et al., 2018). For example, GAPHD function has always been consistently regarded as the main housekeeping gene/protein for expression quantification in tumors, but experimental evidences have been shown that up and downregulation of GAPDH in several types of cancer may have a strong influence in cancer cell growth and tumor formation (SIROVER, 2018). GAPDH over-expression was found to be correlated with cell motility and metastatic potential in rat prostatic adenocarcinoma (EPNER et al., 1993), and may functionalize in tumor metastasis through the interaction of dimerized GAPDH with the putative metastasis supressor Nm23-H1 (ENGEL et al., 1998). Still, although a few mechanisms and pathways involved in GAPDH regulations and its different roles in cancer cells have been already described (GUO; LIU; SUN, 2013; ZHANG et al., 2015), the possible relevance of its activity in metastasis needs to be further investigated. In addition, in this pilot

study, IGHM was also found upregulated in ILM compared to LNM annotated regions. Although IGHM encodes an immunoglobulin heavy chain rather than any specific cancer cell protein, a few studies have already observed a deregulation in IGHM mRNA and protein levels in breast and liver cancer (QIN et al., 2013; HSU et al., 2019). IGHM was also found as part of a dispositive developed for the detection, determination and/or prediction of esophageal lymph node metastasis (patent number US20090270267A1).

In summary, using bottom-up proteomics associated to mass spectrometry imaging, we were able to identify different tumor subpopulations within a unique solid tumor mass, as well as access differentially expressed proteins between metastatic populations at different stages of dissemination. It is evident that the method, as well as the results obtained in here still need to be deeply explored through novel experiments and data analysis, besides to be validated in a larger number of samples. However, even at an early stage, this study demonstrates the importance of investigating intratumoral heterogeneity for a better understanding of canine mammary carcinoma development and behavior, directing future investigations that can be used for comparative and translational oncology research.

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#### CONCLUSÃO

Através de análises *in vitro* e *in situ*, exploramos a heterogeneidade tumoral das neoplasias mamárias em cadelas através da caracterização morfológica e molecular de linhagens celulares primárias e populações tumorais em tecidos parafinados. Demonstramos que células com maior expressão de genes como ITGA8, THBS2 e FN1 apresentam maior agressividade tumoral e potencial metastático. Também, observamos que populações pouco diferenciadas e, portanto, mais malignas, podem ter surgido como consequência de alterações no processamento de proteínas devido ao estresse do retículo endoplasmático liso, causados pela diminuição na expressão de proteínas como TPM1, TUBB4B, CANX, HSPA5, PDIA3 e APOA1. Ainda, utilizando uma abordagem não-direcionada por espectrometria de massas por imagem, identificamos peptídeos diferencialmente expressos entre grupos de células metastáticas em diferentes estágios de disseminação, além de correlacionar este perfil de expressão à subpopulações intratumorais que não seriam distinguíveis apenas por métodos histopatológicos convencionais.

Desta forma, ao longo dos três capítulos desta tese de doutorado, identificamos e apresentamos moléculas que podem e devem ser futuramente validadas como potenciais marcadores diagnósticos, prognósticos e preditivos em carcinomas mamários em cadelas. Também, reforçamos a importância destas neoplasias como modelos para novas pesquisas em oncologia comparada e translacional.

# APÊNDICE A – MATERIAL SUPLEMENTAR CAPÍTULO 1

Sample	Sequenced PE reads	Aligned pairs	% alignment	Multiple alignments	Multiple alignments (%)	Discordant alignments	Discordant alignments (%)	Concordant alignments (%)
M5.1	17605245	14794559	86,4	840021	5,7	374060	2,5	81,9
M5.2	15865311	13313857	86,3	831164	6,2	306422	2,3	82,0
M5.3	15586596	12459555	82,4	914089	7,3	273252	2,2	78,2
M25.1	16791374	14088582	86,3	873563	6,2	315023	2,2	82,0
M25.2	17000811	14135480	85,2	834349	5,9	247752	1,8	81,7
M25.3	14351658	11984821	86,0	743413	6,2	365970	3,1	81,0

Table S1: alignment rates of M5 and M25 cells.

Table S2:	differentially	expressed	genes be	etween M	[5 and ]	M25	cell c	ultures

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	external			(adjusted p	ENSCAEG00000010292	DOCK10	-1 655746288	6 276620697	2 37E-129
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ENSCAFG0000008652	SHROOM3	-1.211436684	1.013364633	3.63E-05	ENSCAFG00000030056		-1.465761782	1.84740634	0.002976074
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ENSCAFG0000005806	SGO1	1.215258539	1.841372354	4.18E-05	ENSCAFG0000032276		1.726794128	10.29581232	0.004513936
ENSCAFG0000001417	KIF27	1.074174637	1.338237248	4.85E-05	ENSCAFG00000029369		1.721937533	10.68782437	0.004530178
ENSCAFG0000006526	LMNTD2	-1.052625811	1.188327213	5.26E-05	ENSCAFG00000030374	C6orf141	-1.089277907	3.247877627	0.004845985
ENSCAFG0000023682	PCDHGA1	-1.027177819	2.02208212	5.40E-05	ENSCAFG0000029657		1.762668234	11.17191056	0.008742589
ENSCAFG0000000681	FBN2	1.044032141	1.414377407	5.42E-05	ENSCAFG00000028748		2.119408538	9.644239659	0.009237534
ENSCAFG0000007578	TP53INP2	-1.263161358	2.451223027	7.03E-05					

Table S3 and S4: differentially expressed genes between primary cell cultures and a nonneoplastic mammary gland tissue. For Tables S3 and S4, refer to the online version of the manuscript. Available in <u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/28834169</u>.



Figure S1: gene ontology analysis from gene set of 647 DE genes between M5 and M25 samples. GO categories in red are the enriched GO categories while the black ones are their non-enriched parents.



Figure S2: gene ontology analysis from gene set of 5,328 DE genes between M5 and a normal mammary gland. GO categories in red are the enriched GO categories while the black ones are their non-enriched parents.



Figure S3: gene ontology analysis from gene set of 5,417 DE genes between M25 and a normal mammary gland. GO categories in red are the enriched GO categories while the black ones are their non-enriched parents.

### **APÊNDICE B – MATERIAL SUPLEMENTAR CAPÍTULO 2**

Table S1 – Discriminative peaks between well differentiated and poorly differentiated tumor ROIs (AUC > 0.70 and FDR < 0.05).

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m/z	AUC	FDR	1508.676561	0.73	1.28E-15	1657.787989	0.72	4.40E-12	1636.829666	0.71	3.26E-15
2216.035598	0.76	4.53E-15	1839.872016	0.73	1.86E-12	1736.828248	0.72	1.30E-12	1694.860442	0.71	1.14E-14
2854.37454	0.76	1.90E-15	1407.654275	0.73	9.64E-14	1054.498777	0.72	5.18E-14	1559.686714	0.71	4.18E-13
2217.031475	0.76	7.59E-15	2705.225135	0.73	2.41E-13	1832.84783	0.72	5.66E-12	1127.55267	0.71	1.26E-10
2855.379509	0.76	3.26E-15	1735.825844	0.73	9.16E-13	1707.766039	0.72	2.22E-11	1992.91962	0.71	6.19E-12
2130.07433	0.75	4.29E-15	1289.651791	0.73	4.26E-11	1558.684573	0.72	1.88E-10	2720.210881	0.71	1.16E-13
1864.862203	0.75	3.69E-15	1560.804534	0.73	2.30E-11	1758.724996	0.72	4.72E-12	2003.99189	0.71	7.05E-11
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2121.035924	0.75	5.94E-14	1561.809082	0.73	1.38E-11	2342.172249	0.72	4.40E-13	1117.543231	0.71	8.09E-11
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2218.018896	0.74	1.15E-13	2706.231046	0.73	7.97E-13	2079.950241	0.72	1.39E-11	1258.620543	0.71	3.12E-12
1655.784675	0.74	2.41E-12	2134.104702	0.72	1.09E-12	2216.991653	0.72	4.80E-12	2707.240337	0.71	3.17E-11
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2106.000438	0.74	1.79E-13	3188.483712	0.72	6.54E-14	2214.945965	0.72	6.80E-10	1475.715869	0.71	1.27E-12
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1908.902626	0.73	1.16E-13	1728.771412	0.72	3.26E-15	1841.879496	0.71	3.74E-12	2115.079972	0.71	4.47E-11
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1652.832112	0.71	3.20E-11	2821.34895	0.71	6.37E-12	1487.664271	0.70	1.86E-09	2109.004245	0.70	7.15E-08
1530.658953	0.71	1.65E-12	2155.090722	0.71	2.27E-11	1889.904801	0.70	1.05E-11	1192.625927	0.70	2.76E-12
1115.540864	0.71	3.69E-15	2876.363891	0.71	1.20E-13	2021.965181	0.70	5.18E-13	2820.339471	0.70	7.60E-11
1337.674103	0.71	2.30E-11	1467.690589	0.70	3.06E-10	2272.031287	0.70	3.61E-11	1177.563935	0.70	1.06E-12
2199.952426	0.71	2.87E-12	1737.830993	0.70	9.21E-12	1240.670741	0.70	1.05E-09	1686.851913	0.70	3.80E-14
1112.596269	0.71	1.09E-11	1720.872799	0.70	4.03E-11	1142.588502	0.70	1.23E-11	2200.955334	0.70	7.29E-12
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2421.15544	0.71	3.67E-11	1262.626941	0.70	2.45E-09	2420.153107	0.70	8.84E-11	1750.852115	0.70	2.03E-10
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1708.769438	0.71	4.20E-11	1685.831339	0.70	5.53E-16	1455.742732	0.70	1.81E-10	1084.559882	0.70	1.07E-11
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1850.849786	0.71	2.23E-11	2198.947777	0.70	8.19E-12	2316.02914	0.70	4.42E-12	2151.00248	0.70	1.81E-13
1132.482169	0.71	1.84E-10	2422.158826	0.70	1.83E-11	2244.971251	0.70	1.85E-13	1201.579621	0.70	1.85E-11
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1290.584653	0.71	9.66E-13	2424.145021	0.70	7.62E-10	2280.041805	0.70	1.20E-10	2106.99092	0.70	5.43E-12
1637.833673	0.71	7.05E-15	2613.22658	0.70	4.66E-10	2125.02373	0.70	1.38E-07	2268.091442	0.70	3.38E-11
1837.860314	0.71	5.25E-11	1757.803623	0.70	7.60E-12	2089.016734	0.70	5.83E-11			
1120.606475	0.71	3.13E-11	2317.0313	0.70	9.85E-11	2042.018145	0.70	5.34E-09			

Table S2 – Protein identification extracted from LC-MS/MS data of discriminative m/z signals between WD and PD tumor regions

Observed	Theoretical	Error		
m/z	m/z	(ppm)	Protein	Symbol
1290.584653	1290.58484	0.145	40S ribosomal protein S3a	RPS3A
2217.031475	2217.04183	4.671	ABI family member 3 binding protein	ABI3BP
1567.743688	1567.75582	7.739	Adhesion regulating molecule 1	ADMR1
1813.877101	1813.87152	-3.077	Apolipoprotein A-I	APOA1
1578.805738	1578.80098	-3.014	Apolipoprotein A-I	APOA1
1473.663429	1473.65644	-4.742	BCL2 associated athanogene 3	BAG3
1585.762918	1585.77174	5.563	Beta-casein	CSN2
3188.483712	3188.48256	-0.361	Caldesmon 1	CALD1
1428.710805	1428.70775	-2.138	Calnexin	CANX
1818.891464	1818.88281	-4.758	Catenin alpha 1	CTNNA1
1281.612621	1281.6182	4.353	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	COL1A1
1560.804534	1560.81288	5.347	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	COL1A1
2002.988775	2003.00533	8.265	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	COL1A1
2089.016734	2089.00927	-3.573	Collagen type VI alpha 3 chain	COL6A3
2104.985988	2105.00419	8.647	Collagen type VI alpha 3 chain	COL6A3
2056.961085	2056.96443	1.626	Collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	COL12A1
2110.006386	2110.00472	-0.790	Collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	COL12A1
2153.079398	2153.0808	0.651	Collagen type XII alpha 1 chain	COL12A1
1401.639318	1401.64923	7.072	Elastin microfibril interfacer 2	EMILIN2

1558.684573	1558.69547	6.991	Eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 delta	EEF1D
1736.828248	1736.84497	9.628	Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 4 gamma 1	EIF4G1
1509.679731	1509.6863	4.351	Ezrin	EZR
1454.739696	1454.72742	-8.439	Galectine 3 binding protein	LGALS3BP
1833.897314	1833.90897	6.356	Heat shock protein family A (Hsp70) member 5	HSPA5
1841.879496	1841.89158	6.561	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein H1	HNRNPH1
1201.579621	1201.58815	7.098	Insulin like growth factor binding protein 5	IGFBP5
1888.903191	1888.91094	4.102	Jupiter microtubule associated homolog 2	JPT2
1707.766039	1707.77214	3.573	Keratin, type I cytoskeletal 10	KRT10
1834.867190	1834.85257	-7.968	Laminin subunit beta 2	LAMB2
1214.586772	1214.576	-8.869	LIM domain and actin binding 1	LIMA1
1598.781714	1598.79081	5.689	Marginal zone B and B1 cell specific protein	MZB1
1648.770089	1648.78131	6.806	NSFL1 cofactor	NSFL1C
2104.043339	2104.05569	5.870	PDZ domain-containing protein	AHNAK2
1096.516204	1096.50917	-6.415	Peptidylprolyl isomerase	FKBP10
1694.860442	1694.85553	-2.898	Perilipin	PLIN3
1653.833087	1653.82311	-6.032	Pro-interleukin-16	IL16
1084.559882	1084.56734	6.877	Protein disulfide-isomerase	PDIA3
1799.807537	1799.80441	-1.738	Rho GDP dissociation inhibitor alpha	ARHGDIA
1111.592518	1111.59937	6.164	SERPINE1 mRNA binding protein 1	SERBP1
1656.786730	1656.7936	4.146	Solute carrier family 7 member 5	SLC7A5
1587.769542	1587.76895	-0.373	Spectrin alpha non-erythrocytic 1	SPTAN1
1105.570795	1105.57488	3.695	Spectrin alpha, non-erythrocytic 1	SPTAN1
1106.574309	1106.58405	8.803	Spectrin alpha, non-erythrocytic 1	SPTAN1
1258.620978	1258.62737	5.079	Tankyrase 1 binding protein 1	TNKS1BP1
1120.606475	1120.61093	3.976	T-complex protein 1 subunit gamma	CCT3
1268.673643	1268.68449	8.550	TRAF2 and NCK interacting kinase	TNIK
1279.599711	1279.59132	-6.557	Transgelin	TAGLN2
1332.648959	1332.639	-7.474	Tropomyosin 1	TPM1
1636.829666	1636.83044	0.473	Tubulin beta chain	TUBB4B
2125.023730	2125.02703	1.553	Tubulin beta chain	TUBB
2106.990920	2106.98008	-5.145	Uncharacterized protein	LOC607207
1177.563935	1177.55242	-9.779	Versican	VCAN

Table S3 – Network of WD tumor regions sorted by degree.

ID	Average Betweeness	Betweeness	Desmas	IL16	1.94871795	0.03378387	46
ID	Shortest Path Lenght	Centrality	Degree	TAGLN2	2.00854701	0.02213383	45
CALD1	1.97435897	0.01555121	50	ADMR1	2.03418803	0.00649077	45
TPM1	1.74358974	0.27082132	49	HSPG2	1.96581197	0.02869934	44
BAG3	1.83760684	0.0375886	49	CAPG	2.01709402	0.00952195	44
APOA1	1 97435897	0.0087969	49	EPB41L2	2.03418803	0.01185066	42
LOC100687619	1 98290598	0.01518979	48	MZB1	2.17948718	0.01678541	41
	1.98290598	0.01010777	40	CANX	2.05128205	0.00600304	41
COL 12A1	2	0.0075007	40	LGALS3BP	2.05128205	0.003428	41
SI C7A5	2 1 00145200	0.00700512	47	HSPA5	1.93162393	0.0314195	40
SLC/A5	1.77143299	0.00700313	4/	RBMX	2.05982906	0.00279846	40

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FLNA	2.07692308	0.00818234	39	CA3	2.87179487	9.00E-04	18
NSFL1C	2.08547009	0.01146019	38	MACF1	2.5042735	1.66E-04	18
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IGFBP5	2.11111111	0.02373189	32	ELOB	2.68376068	0.01727207	14
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FETUB	2.13675214	0.13976597	25	YBX1	2.76068376	8.73E-04	8
SF3B2	2.21367521	4.50E-04	25	ANXA1	2.77777778	5.66E-04	7
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HIST1H4G	2.78632479	0.01880684	24	LDHA	2.82905983	3.64E-05	6
ARPC1B	2.78632479	0.00686318	24	HDGF	2.76923077	0	6
CMAS	2.78632479	0.00686318	24	VIM	1	0.23333333	5
VASP	2.31623932	0.00685848	24	JCHAIN	1	0.025	5
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MFGE8	2.29059829	0.02995825	23	RPL8	1	0.025	5
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CSN2	4.20512821	0.01709402	2	OGN	3.1025641	0	1
EZR	1.6	0	2	HNRNPA3	4.99145299	0	1
COTL1	4.53846154	0	2	LOC480784	3.67521368	0	1
COL3A1	1	0	2	LOC491263	5.1965812	0	1

Table S4 – Network of PD tumor regions sorted by degree.

Average Shortest		Betweeness	Degree	EEF1D	1.96491228	0.0033504	49
ID	Path Lenght	Centrality		SERBP1	1.94736842	0.00620161	48
CALD1	1.75438596	0.04815243	65	EMILIN2	1.97368421	0.00405402	48
APOA1	1.78070175	0.01803336	61	RPS3A	2.18421053	0.00268927	48
TAGLN2	1.78947368	0.02139953	60	MPST	2.23684211	0.00123852	48
COL12A1	2.06140351	0.01958745	60	HIST1H1A	2.18421053	0.00379494	47
CAPG	1.78947368	0.01566516	60	MZB1	2.26315789	0.0018386	47
IL16	1.78947368	0.01562958	60	CAVIN1	2.28070175	9.19E-04	45
CTNNA1	1.78947368	0.0344978	59	LSM14A	2.28070175	3.47E-04	45
LAMB2	1.85087719	0.01293907	59	MACF1	2.00877193	0.00287545	44
BAG3	1.80701754	0.01264562	59	TNC	2.00877193	0.00237135	44
SLC7A5	1.80701754	0.01147142	59	DCTN2	2.28947368	0.00175921	44
COL1A1	1.80701754	0.01374398	58	CANX	2.26315789	0.00583979	43
LGALS3BP	2.0877193	0.00691208	58	VCL	1.78070175	0.40954944	42
EIF4G1	1.88596491	0.00978421	57	FKBP10	2.03508772	0.00445363	42
FLNA	1.87719298	0.00957975	56	CCT3	2.28947368	6.97E-04	41
EPB41L2	1.83333333	0.00827358	56	F2	2.24561404	0.02465422	40
LIMA1	1.88596491	0.00603774	56	EIF2S1	2.34210526	0.00200728	39
ADMR1	1.88596491	0.00603774	56	TNKS1BP1	2.28070175	0.04783408	35
RBMX	2.10526316	0.00431386	56	NSFL1C	2.3245614	0.00101992	35
AHNAK2	1.83333333	0.01623457	55	COL1A2	2.30701754	0.00137986	33
HSPG2	1.83333333	0.01336667	55	MYH9	2.39473684	4.71E-04	32
TPM1	1.83333333	0.01032732	55	TUBB4B	2.3245614	0.04281873	30
PDIA3	1.88596491	0.00701852	55	YBX1	2.33333333	0.00962342	30
KRT10	1.9122807	0.00584977	55	PDLIM5	2.42982456	8.75E-05	30
JPT2	1.89473684	0.00559182	55	LOC102157231	2.97368421	0.00746382	28
IGFBP5	1.84210526	0.01388891	54	LRRC47	2.99122807	0.00596302	27
ARHGDIA	1.92105263	0.00557788	54	HIST1H1C	2.99122807	0.00596302	27
ABI3BP	1.90350877	0.00521186	54	HIST1H4G	2.99122807	0.00596302	27
HSPA5	1.92105263	0.00718489	53	MFGE8	2.28947368	0.07049233	26
HSPA8	1.93859649	0.00489449	52	ANXA6	2.28947368	0.07049233	26
SPTAN1	2.14912281	0.0054545	51	LTF	3	0.00582504	26
VCAN	1.87719298	0.01261153	50	H2AFZ	3	0.00272785	26
C3	1.95614035	0.00468533	50	ARPC1B	2.99122807	0.00100483	26
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HIST1H2BB	2.99122807	0.00100483	26	ELOB	3.16666667	1.79E-04	7
H2AFY	2.28947368	0.09378407	25	LOC100687619	2.62280702	0.01847556	6
RPSL29	2.30701754	0.05720247	25	VASP	2.57017544	7.60E-04	6
FETUB	2.30701754	0.05720247	25	THRAP3	2.5877193	0	6
RBM3	2.36842105	0.0213842	25	RPL8	1.16666667	0.2	5
ARPC5	3.00877193	0.00263433	25	DDAH2	1.16666667	0.2	5
WDR1	3.01754386	4.33E-04	25	EZR	1	0.025	5
A1BG	3.01754386	4.33E-04	25	VIM	1	0.025	5
ACTB	3.01754386	4.33E-04	25	DPT	1	0.025	5
CMAS	3.01754386	4.33E-04	25	LMNB1	1	0.025	5
ATP6V1B2	3.01754386	4.33E-04	25	SF3B2	2.76315789	0	5
HNRNPC	3.00877193	3.73E-04	25	HNRNPA3	4.04385965	0.01754386	4
CA3	3.00877193	3.73E-04	25	MPO	3.19298246	1.90E-04	4
HMGN3	3.03508772	2.96E-05	24	TAGLN	1.2	0	4
KRT18	3.03508772	2.96E-05	24	FGB	1.5	0	4
LDHA	2.47368421	8.75E-06	24	JCHAIN	1.5	0	4
DBN1	2.5	7.50E-05	23	CGREF1	1.2	0	4
PDIA4	3.04385965	3.11E-04	22	ATP5F1B	1.5	0	4
ENO1	3.05263158	0	22	TUBB2A	1.5	0.33333333	3
KRT5	2.53508772	4.70E-04	19	APOE	1	0	3
DSP	2.5877193	7.10E-05	17	ANXA1	4.10526316	0	3
HDGF	2.5877193	6.98E-05	16	KHDRBS1	1	0	3
ANXA4	3.0877193	0.03166826	15	KRT8	1	0	3
TNIK	2.51754386	0.00688287	13	CLU	1	0	3
ALDOA	3.13157895	0.01754386	12	ACTA2	5.03508772	0	1
DNAJB11	3.00877193	0.00144926	11	NUP107	1	0	1
COL3A1	2.34210526	0.01790682	10	FN1	2.33333333	0	1
TUBB	3.14035088	0.00909297	10	LOC475521	3.33333333	0	1
HNRNPM	3.85964912	0.00217025	10	SFPQ	1	0	1
PLIN3	3.10526316	5.12E-04	10	CSN2	1	0	1
ADAR	3.15789474	0.00595532	8	HNRNPH1	3.61403509	0	1
RPS10	3.87719298	0.00148639	8	ACAN	4.12280702	0	1
SH3BGRL3	2.37719298	5.77E-04	8	LOC480784	3.23684211	0	1
AHNAK	3.24561404	0.00287303	7	LOC491263	1	0	1
KANK2	2.60526316	4.06E-04	7				



Supplementary Figure S1 – Overview of mass spectrometry imaging data set consisting in tissues of 17 primary tumors surgically removed from five animals diagnosed with metastatic mammary carcinomas.



24/70 ROIs WD (34%) / 178/212 PD (84%)

46/70 ROIs WD (66%) / 34/212 ROIs PD (16%)

Supplementary Figure S2 – Heatmap showing the average expression per ROI of the 254 m/z differentially expressed signals between 70 well-differentiated ROIs (WD) and 212 poorly-differentiated ROIs (PD). ROC analysis and statistics results showed all m/z values as being more expressed in WD regions (AUC > 0.70 and FDR < 0.05). We also observed tumor heterogeneity, with 16% of PD ROIs clustering with the majority of WD populations (black bar).

### APÊNDICE C – MATERIAL SUPLEMENTAR CAPÍTULO 3

Table S1 – Protein assingment of 108 $m/z$ signals (tolerance = ±10 ppm) obtained	from
MALDI imaging dataset	

Observed m/z	Theoretical m/z	Error (ppm)	Protein	Symbol
976.4489895	976.44828	-0.727	Actin cytoplasmic 1/Actin alpha 2 smooth muscle	ACTB/ACTA2
1198.70636	1198.7055	-0.718	Actin cytoplasmic 1/Actin alpha 2 smooth muscle	ACTB/ACTA2
2040.043861	2040.02439	-9.545	Annexin	ANXA1
1858.878632	1858.87522	-1.836	ATP synthase subunit beta	ATP5F1B
1061.575492	1061.57382	-1.575	Complement C4 A	C4A
1050.552407	1050.55783	5.162	Capping actin protein gelsolin like	CAPG
1280.621243	1280.61509	-4.805	Capping actin protein gelsolin like	CAPG
1875.976372	1875.96715	-4.916	Chromodomain helicase DNA binding protein 4	CHD4
1232.610452	1232.61172	1.029	Clusterin	CLU
1427.639032	1427.64712	5.665	Clusterin	CLU
2014.942371	2014.92937	-6.452	Clusterin	CLU
1281.630711	1281.6182	-9.762	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	COL1A1
1690.78509	1690.77795	-4.223	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	COL1A1
1223.618059	1223.61272	-4.363	Collagen alpha-2(I) chain	COL1A2
1261.635922	1261.62837	-5.986	Collagen alpha-2(I) chain	COL1A2
1427.719002	1427.71337	-3.944	Collagen alpha-2(I) chain	COL1A2
2023.942396	2023.93626	-3.031	Collagen type II alpha 1 chain	COL2A1
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1375.618071	1375.61582	-1.636	Casein alpha s1	CSN1S1
1773.844292	1773.84359	-0.396	Casein alpha s1	CSN1S1
2065.924124	2065.92686	1.324	Casein alpha s1	CSN1S1
1002.572525	1002.57309	0.563	Beta-casein	CSN2
1014.572002	1014.57309	1.072	Beta-casein	CSN2
1585.77562	1585.77174	-2.447	Beta-casein	CSN2
1564.67832	1564.67215	-3.943	D-aminoacyl-tRNA deacylase	DTD1
1225.562426	1225.56952	5.788	Filamin A	FLNA
1697.895781	1697.89292	-1.685	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase	GAPDH
1274.701323	1274.69639	-3.870	Histone H2A	H2AC11
944.5340232	944.53123	-2.957	Histone H2A	H2AFZ
1325.75716	1325.75357	-2.708	Histone H4	H4C1
1166.621198	1166.61641	-4.104	H15 domain-containing protein	HIST1H1C
1198.670099	1198.66778	-1.935	H15 domain-containing protein	HIST1H1C
1326.760753	1326.76274	1.498	H15 domain-containing protein	HIST1H1C
1092.607712	1092.60479	-2.674	Histone H2B	HIST2H2BF/ HIST1H2BB

1137.551295	1137.54627	-4.418	Histone H2B	HIST2H2BF/ HIST1H2BB
1227.675041	1227.66918	-4.774	Histone H2B	HIST2H2BF/ HIST1H2BB
1751.059187	1751.04255	-9.501	Histone H2B	HIST2H2BF/ HIST1H2BB
1013.448777	1013.44353	-5.178	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
1221.558391	1221.55283	-4.552	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
1313.60623	1313.59814	-6.159	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
1377.639433	1377.62944	-7.254	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
1664.786279	1664.80206	9.479	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
2205.919963	2205.90027	-8.928	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A2/B1	HNRNPA2B1
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1677.80738	1677.80785	0.280	Heat shock protein family A (Hsp70) member 5	HSPA5
1487.691822	1487.70126	6.344	Heat shock protein family A (Hsp70) member 8	HSPA8
917.5012336	917.49384	-8.058	Canine mammary tumor	HSPB1
1614.808599	1614.80819	-0.253	Canine mammary tumor	HSPB1
1635.862654	1635.86016	-1.525	Immunoglobulin heavy constant mu	IGHM
1960.927809	1960.91746	-5.278	Immunoglobulin heavy constant mu	IGHM
1415.709446	1415.70529	-2.936	Ig-like domain-containing protein	IGLL5
1361.677936	1361.6907	9.373	Keratin	KRT
1082.59162	1082.59931	7.103	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT
1203.6275	1203.63681	7.735	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT
1265.629288	1265.63721	6.260	Keratin type II cytoskeletal 1	KRT1
2367.277463	2367.26266	-6.253	Keratin type I cytoskeletal 10	KRT10
2101.989575	2101.98187	-3.666	Keratin 14	KRT14
1138.597245	1138.59635	-0.786	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT18
1936.999583	1936.98353	-8.287	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT18
1577.779731	1577.76666	-8.285	Keratin 19	KRT19
1779.837479	1779.82965	-4.399	Keratin 19	KRT19
1380.713918	1380.71177	-1.556	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT5
1517.694933	1517.69005	-3.218	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT5
1824.908896	1824.91986	6.008	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT5
2246.159292	2246.14115	-8.077	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT5
2470.158419	2470.15146	-2.817	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT5

1107.545118	1107.54291	-1.993	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT6A
1126.667473	1126.66912	1.462	IF rod domain-containing protein	KRT7
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1605.821015	1605.81188	-5.689	Lamin A/C	LMNA
1945.935998	1945.93624	0.124	Lamin A/C	LMNA
1371.622841	1371.63464	8.602	Lamin B2	LMNB2
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1108.519496	1108.51907	-0.384	Lipocln_cytosolic_FA-bd_dom domain- containing protein	LOC491263
1745.925817	1745.9392	7.665	LRR binding FLII interacting protein 1	LRRFIP1
1215.605872	1215.60764	1.454	Latent transforming growth factor beta binding protein 2	LTBP2
1571.814078	1571.82753	8.558	Microtubule-associated protein	MAP4
1322.658618	1322.65465	-3.000	N-Myc downstream regulated gene 1	NDRG1
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1648.774715	1648.78131	4.000	NSFL1 cofactor	NSFL1C
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1399.620113	1399.6093	-7.725	Transgelin	TAGLN2
1769.831449	1769.83092	-0.299	Transgelin	TAGLN2
1245.592025	1245.59323	0.967	Tubulin beta chain	TUBB4B
1088.539886	1088.53308	-6.253	Vimentin	VIM
1510.711046	1510.7067	-2.877	Vimentin	VIM
1900.962831	1900.95116	-6.140	Vimentin	VIM
1897.811353	1897.80462	-3.548	CSD_1 domain-containing protein	YBX1

## Table S2 – Significant m/z signals between ILM and LNM regions, considering FDR < 0.01

m/z	P value	Mean1	Mean2	Difference	SE of difference	t ratio	df
944.53402	0.0111034	13692.6	19230.7	-5538.11	2102.93	2.63352	52
1013.4488	0.00395638	488.047	1060.27	-572.219	189.727	3.01602	52
1045.5652	4.3088E-06	9931.64	5660.22	4271.42	832.057	5.13357	52
1050.5524	0.00052017	677.451	1193.26	-515.804	139.384	3.70058	52
1061.5755	0.0150363	635.393	986.019	-350.626	139.418	2.51492	52

1114.6393	0.0160082	818.662	1278.88	-460.217	184.825	2.49001	52
1117.507	0.00330793	411.375	662.018	-250.643	81.3888	3.07957	52
1144.6405	0.00115719	23225.7	40614	-17388.3	5055.83	3.43926	52
1166.6212	0.00312257	4249.58	6859.02	-2609.44	841.785	3.09989	52
1187.6457	7.2089E-05	1272	2502.18	-1230.18	285.214	4.31318	52
1194.7048	0.00039486	691.154	1226.33	-535.175	141.259	3.78861	52
1221.5584	1.1821E-06	803.621	2085.66	-1282.04	233.207	5.49746	52
1232.6105	0.00042948	527.341	939.94	-412.599	109.679	3.76187	52
1237.5552	0.00041063	869.576	1696.12	-826.546	218.885	3.77616	52
1274.7013	6.5664E-05	9024.83	16679.9	-7655.02	1763.34	4.3412	52
1313.6062	4.338E-06	1683.77	5478.34	-3794.57	739.444	5.13165	52
1322.6586	0.0147305	1133.58	1735.45	-601.861	238.544	2.52306	52
1326.7608	0.00360624	3327.49	4861.05	-1533.56	502.97	3.04901	52
1361.6779	0.00039891	778.288	1590.15	-811.859	214.473	3.78536	52
1377.6394	0.010154	702.303	1825.58	-1123.28	421.037	2.66788	52
1473.7804	0.00024743	669.172	1319.91	-650.743	165.341	3.93576	52
1507.7304	0.00804612	752.199	1104.38	-352.177	127.779	2.75615	52
1565.7955	0.00850978	822.938	1388.87	-565.929	204.856	2.76257	52
1585.77539	0.00790978	9731.64	5780.22	3951.42	743.136	2.76351	52
1635.8627	0.00916429	1650.14	965.775	684.365	252.813	2.70699	52
1648.7747	0.00505938	1125.82	1868.07	-742.256	253.548	2.92748	52
1690.7851	0.00237572	914.2	1602.54	-688.341	215.427	3.19524	52
1697.8958	5.8703E-06	6771.99	2057.5	4714.49	934.374	5.04561	52
1749.0916	0.00016855	5490.15	2837.38	2652.77	654.228	4.05482	52
1751.0592	4.0187E-06	17337.5	6078.22	11259.3	2184.86	5.15334	52
1769.8314	4.2378E-05	843.697	1837.37	-993.676	222.213	4.47172	52
1773.8443	0.00905785	801.043	1204.53	-403.487	148.81	2.71143	52
1897.8114	1.061E-05	3041.86	6238.86	-3197	655.653	4.87605	52
1936.9996	0.0112458	1544.81	2375.31	-830.499	315.947	2.6286	52
1945.936	0.0016686	1020.78	1667.67	-646.897	195.067	3.31627	52
2171.1641	0.00829131	2622.61	4091.89	-1469.28	535.285	2.74486	52
2205.92	0.00044784	2140.86	6039.87	-3899.01	1040.15	3.74852	52