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### 20 ABSTRACT

21 Obesity is recognized as an epidemic health problem worldwide. In humans, the accumulation 22 of omental rather than subcutaneous fat appears to be tightly linked to insulin resistance, type 2 23 diabetes and cardiovascular disease. Differences in gene expression profiles in the adipose 24 tissue comparing non-obese and obese subjects have been well documented. However, to date, 25 no comparative proteomic studies based on omental fat have investigated the influence of 26 obesity in protein expression. In this work, we searched for proteins differentially expressed in 27 the omental fat of non-obese and obese subjects using 2D-DIGE and MS. Forty-four proteins, 28 several of which were further studied by immunoblotting and immunostaining analyses, showed 29 significant differences in the expression levels in the two groups of subjects. Our findings reveal 30 a clearly distinctive proteomic profile between obese and non-obese subjects which emphasizes: 31 i) reduced metabolic activity in the obese fat, since most down-regulated proteins were engaged 32 in metabolic pathways; and ii) morphological and structural cell changes in the obese fat, as 33 revealed by the functions exerted by most up-regulated proteins. Interestingly, transketolase and 34 aminoacylase-1 represent newly described molecules involved in the pathophysiology of 35 obesity, thus opening up new possibilities in the study of obesity.

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comparative proteomic study, metabolic pathways

#### 41 **1. Introduction**

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43 Obesity is one of the most important public health problems facing the world today and has 44 increased dramatically over the last decades in children and adolescents [1]. Obese subjects 45 suffer from decreased life quality and expectancy as well as increased risk of suffering insulin 46 resistance, type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease (CVD), hepatic steatosis, pulmonary and 47 muscular pathologies, psychological disorders and cancer, among others [2]. A person's weight 48 and body composition are likely determined by interaction between his/her genetic makeup and 49 social, cultural, behavioral, and environmental factors. The intake of energy-dense foods, 50 especially when combined with reduced physical activity, is very likely to contribute to the high 51 prevalence of obesity; however, the existence of complex systems that regulate energy balance 52 calls for a broader view of this paradigm [3].

53 In humans, the adipose tissue is dispersed throughout the body with major intra-abdominal 54 depots around the omentum, intestines, and perirenal areas, as well as in subcutaneous depots in 55 the buttocks, thighs, and abdomen. These two fat depots, the subcutaneous and the omental fat, 56 exhibit unique biochemical and cellular properties, such as response to sex hormones, and 57 different secretion profiles [4], including a different lipolytic program [5]. Moreover, the 58 omental, but not the subcutaneous, fat drains directly into the portal circulation, and some data 59 point out to excessive free fatty acid release from the omental adipose tissue in central obesity 60 [6]. In fact, it is well established that the size of the omental, more than the subcutaneous, fat is 61 strongly related to a higher risk of obesity-related co-morbidities, including insulin resistance, 62 type 2 diabetes, dyslipidemia and CVD. As a consequence of extensive recent investigation, the 63 adipose tissue is no longer regarded a mere fat reservoir, but an endocrine organ which cross-64 talks with other essential organs like the liver, the muscle, the pancreas, and the brain, being a 65 crucial regulator of whole-body homeostasis.

66 Gene expression studies (i.e. microarrays and RT-PCR) using adipose tissue from obese and 67 non-obese subjects have yielded important insights into the pathogenesis of obesity and related 68 diseases, (reviewed in [7]). Results pointed out that: i) obesity represents a chronic 69 inflammatory condition, since genes related with inflammation are up-regulated in response to 70 obesity; ii) the differentiation state of obese adipocytes is altered; and iii) the expression of 71 adipogenic genes is decreased in obesity [8-11]. As far as the latter is concerned, it has been 72 suggested that the limited lipogenic and/or adipogenic capacity of obese adipocytes might lead 73 to spillover of excess lipids to other tissues, and lipotoxicity could contribute to the 74 pathogenesis of type 2 diabetes [12].

75 At the protein level the knowledge about human adipose tissue is limited. A very few proteomic 76 studies have been published using either whole adipose tissue or isolated cells from both fat 77 depots (reviewed in [13]). The majority of these works have studied human adipogenesis or 78 adipose tissue secretome. Recently, however, our group and others have resorted to 2D-DIGE 79 and MS to explore the differences between omental and subcutaneous fat [14-16]. Despite of 80 some drawbacks inherent to 2-DE analysis (mainly the poor representation of low-abundant or 81 very hydrophobic proteins as well as those with extreme pI and molecular weight), the 82 quantitative comparison of proteins in two or more conditions based on 2D-DIGE/MS is a 83 widespread, robust methodology to assess differential protein expression. This approach 84 provides great analytical precision, dynamic range and sensitivity, therefore allowing a 85 reproducible and reliable differential analysis [17]. Nevertheless, to date, no proteomic studies 86 based on omental fat have investigated the influence of obesity in protein expression, given that 87 the omental adipose tissue has been tightly linked to obesity-associated co-morbidities. In this 88 work, we have compared for the first time the omental fat from non-obese and morbidly obese 89 subjects by 2D-DIGE and MS, revealing 44 modulated proteins in response to obesity. Our 90 findings emphasize a noticeably decreased expression of proteins related to metabolic processes 91 in response to obesity together with a down-regulation of mitochondrial enzymes, which is 92 consistent with a reduced metabolic activity in the obese adipose tissue. In addition, most of the 93 proteins found up-regulated in obesity develop structural functions in the cell, which account for 94 the morphological changes undergone by obese adipocytes. Therefore, our results support a 95 neatly distinctive biological profile in the omental fat of obese and non-obese subjects regarding 96 protein expression.

#### 97 **2. Materials and methods**

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# 99 2.1. Study design

100 Omental fat from morbidly obese (n=6) and non-obese (n=6) subjects obtained during surgery 101 were analyzed by a proteomic approach using 2D-DIGE. Samples were labelled using 102 fluorophore dye-swapping to avoid labelling bias, combined in pairs and separated by 103 electrophoresis. Image analysis revealed modulated proteins which were identified by MS. 104 Results validation was performed by Western Blot with an additional set of subjects. 105 Immunostaining assays were performed to study selected proteins not only in adipose tissue 106 samples, but also in human omental adipocyte cultures. The 3T3-L1 cell line was used to study 107 whether these proteins were modulated in the adipocyte differentiation process.

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# 109 2.2. Biological samples

110 Omental adipose tissue samples were obtained from 26 women, including 12 non-obese and 14 morbidly obese. Non-obese subjects had a body mass index (BMI)  $< 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$  (BMI ranged 111 112 from 22.1 to 28.3 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>), and age ranged from 25 to 56 years. Morbidly obese subjects had a 113 BMI > 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (BMI ranged from 40.7 to 48.5 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>), and age ranged from 39 to 58 years. 114 All these subjects had been submitted for elective surgical procedures (cholecystectomy, 115 surgery of abdominal hernia and gastric by-pass surgery). During surgery, biopsies of adipose 116 tissues were obtained after an overnight fast, washed in chilled 9 g/L NaCl solution, partitioned 117 into pieces, and immediately frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C until protein 118 extraction. The surgeon aimed to obtain the samples from similar anatomical locations in all the 119 subjects. All women were of Caucasian origin and reported that their body weight had been 120 stable for at least three months before the study. None of the subjects had type 2 diabetes or any 121 other systemic disease apart from obesity and all were free of any infections within the previous 122 month before the study. Liver disease and thyroid dysfunction were specifically excluded by 123 biochemical work-up. Other exclusion criteria for those patients included the following: 1) 124 clinically significant hepatic, neurological, or other major systemic disease, including

125 malignancy; 2) history of drug or alcohol abuse, defined as >80 g/day, or serum transaminase 126 activity more than twice the upper normal range limit; 3) elevated serum creatinine 127 concentrations; 4) acute major cardiovascular event in the previous 6 months; 5) acute illnesses 128 and current evidence of chronic inflammatory or infectious diseases; and 6) mental illness 129 rendering the subjects unable to understand the nature, scope, and possible consequences of the 130 analysis. The study was conducted according to the recommendations of the Declaration of 131 Helsinki and was approved by the ethics committees of Hospital Dr. Josep Trueta (Girona, 132 Spain). Signed informed consent was obtained from all subjects.

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134 2.3. 2D-DIGE analysis

135 Proteins were extracted from omental adipose tissue biopsies (100 mg) by using the 2D 136 Grinding Kit (GE Healthcare, Uppsala, Sweden) in Lysis Buffer (7 M urea, 2 M thiourea, 4% 137 CHAPS, and 30 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.5) containing 50 mM DTT. The extract was shaken for 30 138 min at room temperature and centrifuged at 15000xg for 30 minutes. Proteins were precipitated 139 with the 2D-CleanUp Kit (GE Healthcare) and redissolved in Lysis Buffer. The protein 140 concentration was determined using RC/DC Protein Assay (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, 141 CA, USA). Proteins were labelled according to the manufacturer's instruction (GE Healthcare). 142 Briefly, 50 µg of adipose tissue protein extracts were minimally labeled with 400 pmol of the N-143 hydroxysuccinimide esters of Cy3 or Cy5 fluorescent cyanine dyes on ice in the dark for 30 min. 144 All experiments comprised an internal standard containing equal amounts of each cell lysate, 145 which was labelled with Cy2 dye. The labelling reaction was quenched with 1  $\mu$ l of 10 mM 146 lysine on ice in the dark for 10 min. The internal standard and the individual omental fat extracts 147 from non-obese and obese subjects were combined and run in a single gel (150 µg total 148 proteins). Proteins extracts were diluted in Rehydration Buffer (7 M urea, 2 M thiourea, 2% 149 CHAPS, 0.8% (v/v) IPG buffer 3-11NL), reduced with 50 mM DTT, and applied by cup-150 loading to 24 cm IPG strips pH 3-11NL, which were previously rehydrated with Rehydration 151 Buffer containing 100 mM hydroxyethyl disulfide (DeStreak, GE Healthcare). The first and second dimension together with the equilibration step were performed following the procedurepreviously described [14].

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155 2.4. Image acquisition and analysis

156 After SDS-PAGE, gels were scanned with a Typhoon 4100 scanner (GE Healthcare) at 100 µm 157 resolution using appropriate individual excitation and emission wavelengths, filters and 158 photomultiplier (PMT) sensitivity for each Cy2, Cy3 and Cy5 dyes (PMT values: 510, 510 and 159 475 respectively). Gel images were analyzed with the DIA (Differential in-gel Analysis) module 160 of the DeCyder v7 software (GE Healthcare) for automatic spot detection, background 161 subtraction, quantification and normalization with low experimental variation (DeCyder 162 Differential Analysis Software User Manual, version 7; GE Healthcare, 2009). The Biological 163 Variation Analysis (BVA) module utilized those images individually processed with the DIA 164 module to match protein spots across gels, using the internal standard for gel-to-gel matching. 165 Statistical analysis was then carried out to determine protein expression changes. P values lower 166 than 0.05 as calculated from Student's t test were considered significant. Multivariate analysis 167 was performed by Principal Components Analysis (PCA) using the algorithm included in the 168 Extended Data Analysis (EDA) module of the DeCyder software based on the spots matched 169 across all gels.

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171 2.5. In-gel trypsin digestion and mass spectrometry

172 Protein spots showing significantly altered expression levels in the 2 groups of samples by 173 DeCyder Software were selected for gel excision from silver-stained gels, digested 174 automatically on a Proteineer DP robot (Bruker Daltonik, Bremen, Germany) using the protocol 175 of [18] and analyzed in an Ultraflex MALDI TOF/TOF mass spectrometer (Bruker Daltonik) 176 [19] to obtain the corresponding MALDI-MS and MALDI-MS/MS spectra. In a first step, 177 MALDI-MS spectra were acquired by averaging 300 individual spectra in the positive ion 178 reflector mode at 50 Hz laser frequency in a mass range from 800 to 4000 Da. In a second step, 179 precursor ions showing in the MALDI-MS mass spectrum were subjected to fragment ion analysis in the tandem (MS/MS) mode to average 1000 spectra. Peak labelling, internal calibration based on two trypsin autolysis ions with m/z = 842.510 and m/z = 2211.105, as well as removal of known trypsin and keratin peptide masses were performed automatically using the flexAnalysis 2.2 software (Bruker Daltonik). No smoothing or any further spectral processing was applied. MALDI-MS and MS/MS spectra were manually inspected in detail and reacquired, recalibrated and/or relabelled using the aforementioned programs and homemade software when necessary.

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188 2.6. Database searching

MALDI-MS and MS/MS data were combined through the BioTools 3.0 program (Bruker Daltonik) to search a nonredundant protein database (NCBInr 20091022; ~7.0 x  $10^6$  entries; National Centre for Biotechnology Information, Bethesda, USA), using the Mascot 2.2 software (Matrix Science, London, UK; http://www.matrixscience.com) [20]. Other relevant search parameters were set as follows: enzyme, trypsin; fixed modifications, carbamidomethyl (C); allow up to 1 missed cleavage; peptide tolerance ±20 ppm; MS/MS tolerance ±0.5 Da. Protein scores greater than 81 were considered significant (p < 0.05).

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### 197 2.7. Cell culture and adipocyte differentiation

198 Isolated human omental pre-adipocytes (Zen-Bio, Inc. Raleigh, NC, USA) were cultured with 199 omental pre-adipocytes medium (Zen-Bio, Inc.) at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub> and differentiated using 200 omental differentiation medium (Zen-Bio, Inc.) according to the method outlined by Ortega et al 201 [21]. Two weeks after the initiation of differentiation, cells appeared rounded with large lipid 202 droplets in the cytoplasm and were considered mature adipocytes. Murine 3T3-L1 fibroblasts 203 (CCL 92.1, American Type Culture Collection) were grown to confluence in DMEM containing 204 10% calf serum. The differentiation to adipocytes was induced according to the procedure 205 described by Ortega et al [21]. On days 0, 3, 5 and 9, three replicated cell samples were 206 separately collected for later immunoassays.

# 208 2.8. Immunoblotting analysis

209 Fat tissue or cultured cells were homogenized in radioimmnuno precipitation assay (RIPA) 210 buffer as described in [14]. Protein extracts (ca. 10 µg) were loaded, resolved on SDS-PAGE 211 and transferred to Hybond ECL nitrocellulose membranes by conventional procedures. 212 Membranes were stained with 0.15% Ponceau red (Sigma-Aldrich, St Louis, MO, USA) to 213 ensure equal loading after transfer and then blocked with 5% (w/v) BSA or dried nonfat milk in 214 TBS buffer with 0.1% Tween 20. The antibodies used for Western Blot analysis revealed in 215 each case single bands at the expected molecular masses. The primary antibodies used were: 216 1:2000 rabbit anti-TKT (HPA029480), and 1:2000 rabbit anti-ACY-1 (A6609) (Sigma-217 Aldrich); 1:2000 goat anti-Beta-actin (sc-1616); 1:4000 rabbit anti-SPHK1 (sc-48825), and 218 1:200 goat anti-FABP5 (sc-16060) (Santa Cruz Biotechnology); 1:1000 mouse anti-HSP70 219 (C92F3A-5) (Stressgen Bioreagents); 1:500 rabbit anti-FABP4 (Eurogentec, Seraing, Belgium). 220 Blots were incubated with the appropriate IgG-HRP-conjugated secondary antibody. 221 Immunoreactive bands were visualized with ECL-plus reagent kit (GE Healthcare). Blots were 222 exposed for different times; exposures in the linear range of signal were selected for 223 densitometric evaluation. Optical densities of the immunoreactive bands were measured using 224 Image J analysis software. Statistical comparisons of the densitometry data were carried out 225 using the Student's t test for samples, and results were expressed as means  $\pm$  standard deviation 226 (SD) using SPSS 16.0 (SPSS Inc., Illinois, USA). Statistical significance was set at p < 0.05.

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228 2.9. Immunohistochemistry

Five-micron sections of formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded adipose tissue were deparaffinised and rehydrated prior to antigen unmasking by boiling in 1 mM EDTA, pH 8. Sections were blocked in normal serum and incubated overnight with rabbit anti-TKT (1:500 dilution) or rabbit anti-ACY-1 (1:200 dilution) antibodies. Secondary antibody staining was performed using the VECTASTAIN ABC kit (Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA) and detected with diaminobenzidine (DAB, Vector Laboratories, Inc.). Sections were counterstained with hematoxylin prior to dehydration and coverslip placement, and examined under a Nikon Eclipse 90i microscope. As a negative control, the procedure was performed in the absence of primaryantibody.

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239 2.10. Immunofluorescence

240 Frozen adipose tissue sections or cultured cells were fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde and 241 permeabilized for 30 min with 0.1% Triton X-100 in PBS. Staining was performed overnight at 242 4°C with rabbit anti-TKT (1:500 dilution) or with rabbit anti-ACY-1 (1:400 dilution) antibodies, 243 washed, and visualized using Alexa Fluor 546 goat anti-rabbit antibody (1:500; Molecular 244 Probes Inc., OR, USA). The slides were counterstained with DAPI (4,6-diamidino-2-245 phenylindole) to reveal nuclei. The lipophilic fluorescence dye BODIPY 493/503 was used for 246 lipid droplet labelling according to the manufacturer's instruction (Molecular Probes Inc.). The 247 slides were examined under a Leica TCS SP5 fluorescent microscope (Heidelberg, Germany). 248 As a negative control, the assay was performed in the absence of primary antibody.

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#### 250 **3. Results**

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252 3.1. Proteomic analysis of obese and non-obese adipose tissue samples

253 To detect proteins differentially expressed in obesity, omental fat samples from morbidly obese 254 (n=6) and non-obese (n=6) females were analyzed by 2D-DIGE. Protein extracts were labelled 255 using dye-swapping with either Cy3 or Cy5 fluorescent dye to avoid labelling bias arising from 256 the fluorescence properties of gels at different wavelengths. Then each Cy3/Cy5-labelled 257 sample pair was mixed with a Cy2-labelled internal standard and loaded onto each gel. After 2-258 DE, the Cy2, Cy3 and Cy5 channels were individually imaged from each gel (Supplemental Fig. 259 1). Automated image analysis performed with DeCyder software detected approximately 2700 260 spots per gel in the 3-11 NL pH range with a molecular mass of 10-150 kDa, of which 1200 261 spots were matched throughout all gels. Multivariate PCA showed that the "non-obese group" 262 was efficiently discriminated from the "obese group" (data not shown). DeCyder statistical 263 analyses showed that 70 protein spots were differentially expressed at p < 0.05 considering only

those spots present in all gels. These spots were excised from silver-stained gels, digested with trypsin, and analyzed by MALDI-MS followed by database search. Fifty-six spots, which corresponded to 44 unique proteins could be identified (Fig. 1 and Table 1). Twenty proteins were increased and 24 decreased in response to obesity.

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269 3.2. Functional classification of the proteins differentially expressed

270 To understand the biological relevance of protein expression changes in response to obesity, the 271 Protein Analysis Through Evolutionary Relationship (PANTHER) application 272 (http://www.pantherdb.org/) was used. This classification system uses information on protein 273 sequence to assign a gene to an ontology group on the basis of the Gene Ontology (GO) terms 274 http://www.geneontology.org/. Thus, the two sets of up- and down-regulated proteins were 275 searched for significantly over-represented (p < 0.05) GO terms. Two key Biological Process 276 classes were found significantly enriched in the group of down-regulated proteins: Metabolic 277 Process and Generation of Precursor Metabolites and Energy, while three key Biological 278 Process classes (Cellular Process, Developmental Process and Cellular Component 279 Organization) were significantly enriched in the set of up-regulated proteins. Likewise, the 280 categorization based on the Molecular Function GO category showed that most down-regulated 281 proteins accounted for one key significant class, Catalytic Activity, while Structural Molecule 282 Activity revealed as the unique key GO term with significant enrichment in the up-regulated 283 proteins from obese adipose tissue (Fig. 2).

In addition, PANTHER application mapped the 44 differentially expressed proteins into parent and child categories with regard to their Molecular Function and Biological Process GO terms (Supplementary Table 2), highlighting that most of the down-regulated proteins were engaged in metabolic pathways. Our results have also revealed that the set of down-regulated proteins comprised numerous (14 out of 24, 58%) mitochondrial enzymes, overall supporting a reduced metabolic activity in the obese adipose tissue.

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- 291 3.3. Validation of differential protein expression

292 Western Blot analyses were performed in an additional set of non-obese and morbidly obese 293 women for two proteins whose expression in human adipose tissue had not been previously 294 documented, TKT and ACY-1, together with two molecules, HSP70 and FABP5 that had been 295 earlier studied in fat and/or in obesity and related co-morbidities. One of these proteins was 296 shown up-regulated (HSP70) and the other three were found down-regulated (TKT, ACY-1 and 297 FABP5) in response to obesity. Immunoblotting analysis using an antibody against TKT 298 confirmed that this protein was over-expressed (p < 0.05) in the non-obese group of subjects, 299 confirming 2-DE findings (Fig. 3). Likewise, ACY-1 levels were significantly more abundant 300 (p<0.05) in the non-obese subjects (Fig. 3), in agreement with 2D-DIGE results. Both TKT and 301 ACY-1 were studied by immunostaining methods, as well as in the adipocyte differentiation 302 process. Immunoblotting analysis revealed that HSP70 was significantly increased in obese vs. 303 non-obese individuals (p < 0.05), thus confirming 2D-DIGE results (Fig. 3). By using an 304 antibody anti-FABP5, immunoblotting analysis revealed an over-expression of FABP5 protein 305 in the omental adipose tissue from non-obese compared to obese subjects; however this result 306 did not reach statistical significance (p=0.06) mostly due to the high SD observed in non-obese 307 samples (data not shown). It must be noted that Western Blot assay may fail to validate 308 particular protein isoforms found differentially expressed by 2D-DIGE/MS as they rely on 309 antibodies lacking the necessary specificity.

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311 3.4. Immunostaining analyses

312 Immunohistochemical and immunofluorescence approaches were performed to determine the 313 cellular distribution of TKT and ACY-1 proteins in biopsies of omental fat given that, as far as 314 we know, these proteins have not been earlier analysed in this tissue. TKT was assayed in 315 sections of omental adipose tissue by both techniques revealing similar results. 316 Immunofluorescence detection showed a bright staining pattern mainly in the cytoplasm of 317 adipocytes and of stromal-vascular fraction (SVF) cells, as well as in the nuclei of a few cells 318 4A). To determine whether the stained nuclei pertained to adipocytes, (Fig. 319 immunofluorescence analysis from a cellular culture of human pre-adipocytes and differentiated adipocytes was performed. This analysis showed that in pre-adipocytes TKT was localized in the cytoplasm as well as in the nucleus, while in adipocytes only the cytoplasm but not the nucleus was stained (Fig. 4B and 4C). TKT expression was also confirmed in adipose tissue macrophages by co-staining assays using CD68 (not shown).

324 ACY-1 was also assayed in sections of omental fat by immunostaining analyses, which showed 325 that ACY-1 was expressed in the cytoplasm as well as in the nucleus of adipocytes and SVF 326 cells, including omental mesothelial cells (Supplemental Fig. 2A and 2B). Immunofluorescence 327 analysis revealed the presence of ACY-1 in the nucleus of cultured human omental pre-328 adipocytes (Fig. 5A), while in differentiated adipocytes ACY-1 localized around cytosolic lipid 329 droplets and, to a lesser extent, in the nucleus (Fig. 5B and 5C). In addition, we had also 330 performed immunofluorescence analysis in 3T3-L1 cells during the adipogenic process. As 331 illustrated in Supplemental Fig. 3A, ACY-1 was localized exclusively in 3T3-L1 fibroblast 332 nuclei (day 0), as was the case for human pre-adipocytes; however, in 3T3-L1 differentiated 333 adipocytes (day 9), ACY-1 was shown around lipid droplets in the cytoplasm, as well as in the 334 majority of the nuclei (Supplemental Fig. 3B and 3C).

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336 3.5. 3T3-L1 adipogenesis

To further study TKT and ACY-1 proteins, we performed immunoblotting analysis with proteins extracted during the adipogenic maturation of 3T3-L1 cells using the above-described specific antibodies. TKT and ACY-1 were significantly augmented with adipocyte differentiation in parallel to the expression of FABP4, which was used as an adipogenesis control (Fig. 6).

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#### 343 **4. Discussion**

Over the last years an increasing number of studies have focused in the analysis of gene expression to gain insight into obesity and related pathologies. However only a few number of studies have resorted to proteomic methods to identify human fat proteins associated to these disorders. In the present study we have employed a proteomic approach based on 2D-DIGE and MALDI-MS to uncover differences in protein expression using biopsies of omental fat from non-obese and morbidly obese individuals, reporting for the first time a set of 44 proteins that are significantly modulated in these two sets of subjects. Our study has focused on omental adipose tissue as this fat depot has been long associated with augmented risk of suffering pathologies related to obesity [22].

353 The down-regulation of proteins related to metabolic processes such as Amino Acid Metabolism, 354 Carbohydrate Metabolism and Lipid Metabolism suggests a reduction of metabolic activity in 355 the obese omental fat, and is consistent with previous mRNA studies [8-10, 23]; thus, Ortega et 356 al. [10] demonstrated the down-regulation of the main lipogenic enzymes in obese omental fat 357 using a large cohort of individuals. In this scenario, these findings provide evidence for an 358 impaired capacity of the adipose tissue to function as an energy reservoir. In addition, it is 359 noteworthy the high number of mitochondrial enzymes included in the set of down-regulated 360 proteins in the obese adipose tissue, 14 proteins out of 24, which is consistent with the reduction 361 in the oxidative metabolism in obesity. Our findings are in agreement with previous microarray 362 analysis revealing a coordinated down-regulation of catabolic pathways operating in the 363 mitochondria such as: fatty acid B oxidation, tricarboxylic acid cycle and electron transport 364 chain [24]. In addition, a strong correlation between impaired adipocyte mitochondrial activity 365 and/or content and obesity has been well documented [25-27]. Decreased mitochondrial 366 capacity in adipocytes may alter adipocyte insulin sensitivity and/or function due to the high 367 energetic requirements for fatty acid storage, adipokine secretion [28], insulin signalling [29], 368 and glucose uptake. Therefore, the relatively high number of mitochondrial proteins found 369 down-regulated in our study is consistent with previous evidences.

The set of up-regulated proteins, which pertain to the following significantly enriched classes: *Cellular Process, Developmental Process, Cellular Component Organization,* and *Structural Molecule Activity,* suggests that the enlargement of the obese adipocytes, by increasing fat storage, is accompanied by: i) cytoskeleton changes, such as alteration of LMNA, LMNB1 and integrin alpha 7; ii) changes in the extracellular matrix (ECM), such as collagen (COL6A3) and lumican; and iii) tissue structure modifications, such as alteration in epithelial cytokeratins, CK- 376 7, CK-8 and CK-19, compatible with omental mesothelium changes. Our findings showing the
377 up-regulation of proteins controlling cell architecture and tissue remodelling are in agreement
378 with previous transcriptomic studies reporting that the expansion of adipose tissue is associated
379 with a remodelling of ECM together with changes of fat cell cytoskeleton [23, 30] compatible
380 with the need to adapt fat pads as adiposity increase.

381 Several relevant proteins highlighted by our study were more in-depth analyzed. Transketolase 382 (TKT) expression levels were reduced in obese patients. To our knowledge this is the first time 383 that a link between TKT and obesity is reported. This protein is a thiamine diphosphate (ThDP)-384 dependent enzyme that catalyzes several reactions in the non-oxidative branch of the Pentose 385 Phosphate Pathway (PPP). In mammalian cells, the main function of PPP is to produce the 386 reduced form of nicotinamide-adenine dinucleotide phosphate (NADPH), which functions in 387 detoxification processes and lipid biosynthesis. Another function of PPP is to convert hexose 388 into pentose, which is required for nucleic acid synthesis [31]. TKT haploinsufficient mice 389 showed a markedly reduction in adipose tissue (77%) [32] which could be induced by NADPH 390 deficiency, limiting the production of lipids in the fat. The reduced levels of TKT found in the 391 group of obese versus non-obese subjects could be explained by the occurrence of a 392 compensatory mechanism through which the obese adipose tissue would prevent further 393 enlargement. In this scenario, during the period of dynamic obesity large amounts of NADPH 394 are required for fatty acid biosynthesis, and an increase in TKT function is expected. In contrast, 395 it is well known that lipogenic pathways are reduced in established obesity [10] and TKT down-396 regulation could be a late and adaptive process, aimed at limiting a further development of fat 397 mass. Immunostaining methods showed for the first time the expression of TKT in human 398 omental adipose tissue. TKT, an ubiquitous enzyme engaged in multiple metabolic pathways, 399 was widely distributed in adipocytes as well as other stromal cells. TKT was present mainly in 400 the cytoplasm of adipose cells, but a few nuclei also expressed the protein. Interestingly, the 401 nuclei of human pre-adipocytes expressed TKT in contrast to fully differentiated adipocytes, in 402 which TKT was only observed in the cytoplasm. A nuclear localization of TKT had already 403 been described [33]; in this regard, it is interesting to mention that in a highly proliferative state 404 increased cell division rate would require large amounts of phosphate pentose, which would
405 account for the nuclear localization of TKT. On the other hand, mature adipocytes keep pentose
406 phosphate consumption to a minimum while consuming many NADPH molecules for
407 lipogenesis, which would explain TKT localization in the cytoplasm of mature adipocytes.
408 Taken together, these findings highlight the potential role of this protein in adipose tissue and
409 adipogenesis.

410 2D-DIGE and immunoblotting analyses have shown significant down-regulation of 411 aminoacylase-1 (ACY-1) with obesity. ACY-1 is a cytosolic, homodimeric, zinc-binding 412 enzyme that function in the catabolism and retrieval of acylated amino acids. ACY-1 expression 413 has been found associated to renal carcinoma [34] and to an inborn metabolic disorder [35]. 414 Nevertheless, this is the first report on ACY-1 expression in human fat. The nuclear localization 415 of ACY-1 is striking. In agreement with our finding, this enzyme had been previously found in 416 the nucleus of rat normal proximal tubular cells [34]. It is possible that several unidentified 417 nuclear proteins are substrates for ACY-1. It is noteworthy that ACY-1 physically interacts and 418 functionally modulates sphingosine kinase 1, SPHK1 [36], a lipid kinase that converts 419 sphingosine and ATP to sphingosine-1-phosphate (S1P). S1P is a potent signalling molecule 420 involved in angiogenesis and cell growth among other cellular processes [37]. Of note, we have 421 shown that both ACY-1 and SPHK1 are associated with adipogenesis in 3T3-L1 cells (Fig. 6 422 and Supplemental Fig. 4) as already found with the latter [38]. These results collectively support 423 the hypothesis that the SPHK1/ACY-1 system could play a role in obesity. Further studies are 424 underway to explore ACY-1 functional role in adipose tissue.

425 Our results based on the 3T3-L1 adipocytes differentiation process have shown for the first time 426 an increment of ACY-1 and TKT levels. Long-lasting fat excess has been evidenced to reduce 427 adipogenesis in adipose tissue to limit further expansion of fat mass [8-11]. We hypothesize that 428 the diminished levels of ACY-1 and TKT proteins in obesity stem from the impaired adipogenic 429 capacity of obese adipocytes.

The proteomic analysis has enabled the identification of other relevant proteins involved inobesity or whose expression in fat has been widely documented. Results revealed the over-

432 expression in obese subjects of HSP70. HSPs not only serve as chaperones, mainly controlling 433 protein folding of newly translated polypeptides but also protect cells against many chronically 434 and acutely stressful conditions [39]. In spite of the numerous cellular processes in which 435 HSP70 takes part, it can be hypothesized that the higher levels of HSP70 found in the omental 436 fat from obese patients would serve to reduce the cellular stress associated to obesity. In skeletal 437 muscle, evidences have shown that there is a decreased expression of HSP70 in type 2 diabetes 438 patients [40, 41] and in mice models an elevation of HSP70 protected against obesity-induced 439 hyperglycemia, hyperinsulinemia, glucose intolerance and insulin resistance [41]. Nevertheless, 440 no similar studies have been conducted in adipose tissue to date. We performed Western Blot 441 analyses to compare omental fat samples from obese patients with and without type 2 diabetes. 442 Interestingly, in agreement with these evidences, our results revealed that the amount of HSP70 443 was significantly lower in type 2 diabetes obese subjects than in obese without type 2 diabetes 444 (p=0.007), as illustrated in Supplemental Fig. 5. Therefore this result supports a protection role 445 for HSP70.

446 It is well established that monoamine oxidase A (MAOA), a mitochondrial enzyme involved in 447 the oxidative deamination catabolism of neurotransmitters and exogenous amines, is highly 448 expressed in the adipocyte-enriched fraction of human adipose tissue [42]. Our results showed 449 reduced levels of MAOA in obese subjects, which is in agreement with an earlier report 450 revealing reduced MAOA activity in the adipose tissue from obese subjects [43]. Our study also 451 showed reduced expression levels of FABP5 in obese individuals, in consistence with previous 452 studies in subcutaneous fat [44]. FABP5 is a relevant adipose tissue protein that facilitates lipid 453 usage in metabolic pathways and plays a role in metabolic syndrome, insulin resistance, type 2 454 diabetes, and atherosclerosis, as elucidated in studies based on genetically modified mice [45]. 455 Mice lacking FABP5 was protected against diet-induced obesity, insulin resistance and other 456 related diseases [46]. Ongoing studies in our laboratory attempt to evaluate whether these 457 results might be extrapolated to humans.

459 In summary, this work is, to our knowledge, the first proteomic study on omental fat comparing 460 non-obese and obese people and represents one of the few proteomic analyses in human adipose 461 tissue. Our findings evidence a clearly distinctive biological profile of obese and non-obese 462 subjects highlighting a noticeably decreased expression of proteins related to metabolic 463 processes and an increased expression of proteins that develop structural functions in the cell in 464 response to obesity. Besides, our study has revealed that TKT and ACY-1 are promising new 465 players involved in obesity. Our results will strengthen the understanding of molecular 466 pathogenesis of obesity, whilst the identified proteins can be regarded as potential targets for 467 future therapeutic strategies.

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### 478 Appendix A. Supplementary data

479 Supplementary data associated with this article contains Supplemental Fig. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5,

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614 Figure Legends

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Fig. 1. Representative silver stained 2D gel of omental adipose tissue proteins using 24 cm pH3-11NL (left to right) strips in the first dimension and 12% PAGE-SDS gels in the second dimension. Numbers correspond to differentially expressed protein spots as indicated in Table 1. Supplemental Fig. 1 provides a more convenient visualization of the differential protein spots on the silver stained 2D gel.

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**Fig. 2.** Pie chart representations of PANTHER Biological Process and Molecular Function classes significantly over-represented in the set of downregulated proteins (A, C) and in the set of up-regulated proteins (B, D) in obesity. Classes with no significant P-value are displayed in grey colour for comparative purposes (note that the class *Generation of Precursor Metabolites and Energy* has no representation in the group of proteins increased in obesity). It should be pointed that PANTHER may attribute multiple classes to a given protein.

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**Fig. 3**. TKT, ACY-1 and HSP70 expression in human omental adipose tissue. Standardized abundance was determined by DeCyder analysis of 2D-DIGE data from non-obese and obese fat samples. The (+) and (-) symbols indicate increased and decreased levels with respect to the internal standard, respectively (A). Representative Western Blot analysis of TKT, ACY-1 and HSP70 expression from non-obese and obese fat samples. The results were normalized for Bactin density (B). Values for relative intensity obtained after densitometry of the bands are means +/- SD (C). Representative images of four independent analyses.

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**Fig. 4.** Immunofluorescence staining of TKT in human omental adipose tissue, human preadipocytes and human adipocytes differentiated *in vitro*. In fat biopsies TKT is mainly shown in the cytosol of adipocytes and other SVF cells, but is also observed in the nuclei of a few cells (four white circles) (A). In human pre-adipocytes TKT is shown both in the cytoplasm and the nucleus (B). In human differentiated adipocytes TKT is exclusively observed in the cytosol (C). 642 Images are representative of adipose tissue sections collected from three subjects (A) and three643 replicates (B and C).

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**Fig. 5.** Immunofluorescence staining of ACY-1 in human omental pre-adipocytes and adipocytes differentiated *in vitro*. ACY-1 (in red) is shown in the nucleus of pre-adipocytes (day 0) (A). In differentiated adipocytes (day 14) ACY-1 is observed in the cytosol and to a lesser extent in the nucleus (B). Close-up view of a differentiated adipocyte showing ACY-1 around the lipid droplets (C). The counterstaining of nuclei (DAPI) is shown in blue. Lipid droplets have been stained with BODIPY 493/503 (in green). Images are representative of three replicates.

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**Fig. 6.** TKT and ACY-1 and protein levels assessed by Western Blot during adipogenic maturation of 3T3-L1 (A). Values for relative intensity obtained after densitometry of the bands are means +/- SD. \* p< 0.005 and \*\* p<0.05 for comparisons between TKT, and ACY-1 levels at day 9 *vs*. day 0, respectively (B). FABP4 was used as an adipogenesis control. The results were normalized for GAPDH density. Representative images of three independent analyses.

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**Table 1.** Proteins identified by MALDI-MS showing significantly regulated expression in the omental fat from morbidly obese (n=6) and non-obese (n=6) individuals. Protein identification details are illustrated in Supplemental Table 1.

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31 1.1E-02 -1.7 gi 4557233 NP 000008 short-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase precursor 119 1.20E-05 44.6 8.1 7 19	31	1.1E-02	-1.7	gi 4557233	NP 000008	short-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase precursor	119	1.20E-05		44.6	8.1	7	19			
32 3.9E-02 -1.5 gil157168362 NP 000261 nucleoside phosphorylase 123 4.90E-06 71 32.3 6.5 3 14	32	3.9E-02	-1.5	gi 157168362	NP_000261	nucleoside phosphorylase	123	4.90E-06	71	32.3	6.5	3	14			
33 3.1E-02 -1.8 gi[110590599 2HAV_A serotransferrin precursor 119 1.20E-05 77.0 6.9 9 17	33	3.1E-02	-1.8	gi 110590599	2HAV_A	serotransferrin precursor	119	1.20E-05		77.0	6.9	9	17			
34 6.3E-03 -1.5 gil4557231 NP_000007 medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase isoform a precursor 158 1.60E-09 91 47.0 8.6 4 13	34	6.3E-03	-1.5	gi 4557231	NP_000007	medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase isoform a precursor	158	1.60E-09	91	47.0	8.6	4	13			
35 2.1E-03 -1.5 gi[119631279 EAX10874 3-hydroxyisobutyryl-coenzyme A hydrolase, isoform CRA_b 159 1.20E-09 49.4 9.4 9.2 23	35	2.1E-03	-1.5	gi 119631279	EAX10874	3-hydroxyisobutyryl-coenzyme A hydrolase, isoform CRA_b	159	1.20E-09		49.4	9.4	9	23			
36 3.2E-02 -1.5 gil4502517 NP_001729 carbonic anhydrase I 141 1.80E-09 72 28.9 6.6 4 21	36	3.2E-02	-1.5	gi 4502517	NP_001729	carbonic anhydrase I	141	1.80E-09	72	28.9	6.6	4	21			
37 3.1E-02 1.4 gi 27436946 NP_733821 lamin A/C isoform 1 precursor 521 7.80E-46 232 74.4 6.6 22 38	37	3.1E-02	1.4	gi 27436946	NP_733821	lamin A/C isoform 1 precursor	521	7.80E-46	232	74.4	6.6	22	38			

Table 1. Proteins identified by MALDI-MS showing significantly regulated expression in the omental fat from obese and non-obese individuals

38	4.8E-03	-1.5	ail119590499	EAW70093	fumarate hidratase, isoform CRA_d	174	3.90E-11	136	46.6	69	2	6
39	6.0E-05	-1.7	ail189181759	NP 001121188	electron transfer flavoprotein, alpha polypeptide isoform b	167	4.50E-12	93	30.2	8.8	4	20
40	4 3E-02	-1 4	gil4557735	NP_000231	monoamine oxidase A	126	2 50E-06	69	60.2	79	4	11
41	1.0E-02	-1.9	gil30583667	AAP36082	citrate synthase	109	1 20E-04	69	29.6	7.8	2	7
42	1 1E-02	-1.6	gil71296885	AAH44787	monoamine oxidase A	146	2 50E-08	66	60.2	6.9	6	15
43	4.3E-03	-1.0	gil4557014	NP 001743	catalase	278	1.60E-21	115	59.9	6.9	q	25
44	1.3E-02	-1.5	gi  1007011 gi 388891	AAA61222	transketolase	150	9 90E-09	110	68.5	79	10	22
44 45	3.2E-02	-1.5	gi 179950	AAA01222	catalase	195	3.10E-13	70	51.6	7.8	8	22
40	3.2L-03	-1.0	gij 17 9950 gij 222002	04011724	fibrin boto	195	0.00E 11	70	51.0	0.0	10	23
40	3.1E-03	-1.0	91/223002	0401173A	IDIII Deta	170	9.90E-11		51.4	0.0	10	20
47	1.4E-04	-1.6	gi 48257138	AAH00105	citrate synthase, mitochondrial precursor	211	7.80E-15	101	45.8	6.5	6	16
48	3.0E-02	-1.7	gi 388891	AAA61222	transketolase	178	1.60E-11		68.5	7.9	10	25
49	1.0E-02	-1.5	gi 4557237	NP_000010	acetyl-coenzyme A acetyltransferase 1 precursor	129	1.20E-06	95	45.5	9.0	2	7
50	8.8E-03	-1.5	gi 13111901	AAH03119	ATP synthase subunit alpha, mitochondrial precursor	101	1.80E-05	86	40.4	8.9	1	3
51	1.8E-02	-1.4	gi 16950633	NP_446464	argininosuccinate synthetase 1	180	9.90E-12	49	46.8	8.1	7	16
52	1.7E-02	-1.7	gi 598143	AAB48003	alcohol dehydrogenase beta-3 subunit	220	9.90E-16		40.7	8.5	12	32
53	2.7E-02	2.0	gi 4757756	NP 004030	annexin A2 isoform 2	283	4.90E-22	87	38.8	7.6	15	48
54	1.9E-02	-1.6	ail119626625	EAX06220	L-3-hvdroxvacvl-coenzyme A dehvdrogenase short chain isoform CRA c	170	9.90E-11	78	7.6	9.3	4	52
55	4.1E-02	-1.6	ail598143	AAB48003	alcohol dehvdrogenase beta-3 subunit	212	6.20E-15	63	40.7	8.5	10	28
56	3.5E-02	-1.5	gi 40807491	NP_001986	acyl-CoA synthetase long-chain family member 1	306	2.50E-24	141	78.9	6.8	11	20

<sup>a</sup>Spot numbering as shown in 2-DE silver gel in Figure 1. <sup>b</sup>*p*-value of the Student t-test and <sup>c</sup>average volumen ratio (Obese/non-Obese) as calculated by the DeCyder analysis. <sup>d</sup>Protein and <sup>e</sup>locus accession codes from the NCBInr database. <sup>f</sup>Mascot score, <sup>g</sup>Mascot expected value, <sup>h</sup>Mascot Ions score, <sup>i</sup>theoretical molecular weight (kDa) and <sup>j</sup>*pI*, <sup>k</sup>number of matched peptides and <sup>1</sup>protein sequence coverage for the most probable candidate as provided by Mascot. Protein identification details (MS and MS/MS spectra) are listed in Supplemental Table 1.





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**B. Preadipocytes** 



C. Adipocytes



Fig5. Immunofluorescence staining of ACY-1 Click here to download high resolution image

A. Preadipocytes



**B. Adipocytes** 



C. Adipocytes





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