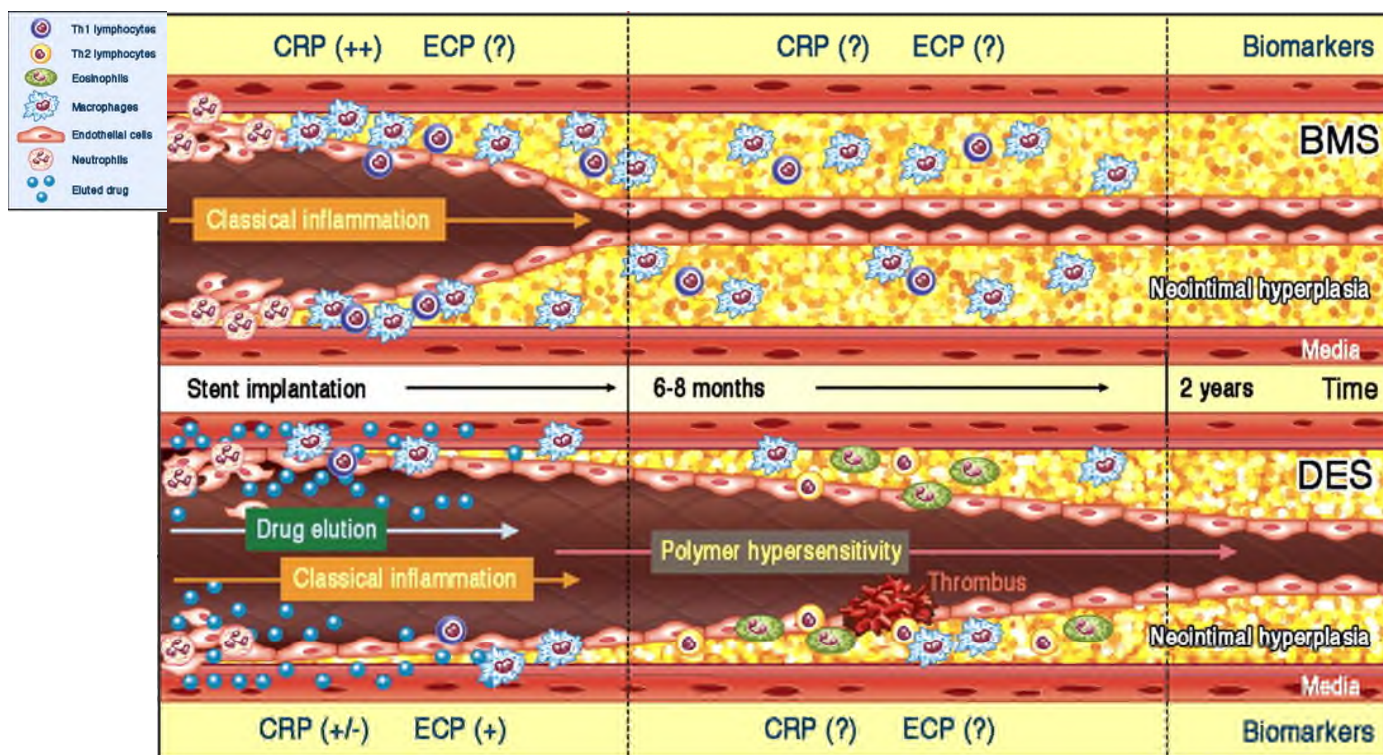


Mechanisms of DES healing - insights from proteomics and optical coherence tomography

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Adverse reaction to Drug Eluting Stents



- endoluminal mural thrombi/old thrombi
- prevalence of eosinophils, giant cells, and fibrin
- development of yellow plaque and plaque rupture
- different SMC phenotype
- different optical properties of neointima
- elevated plasma CRP and ECP

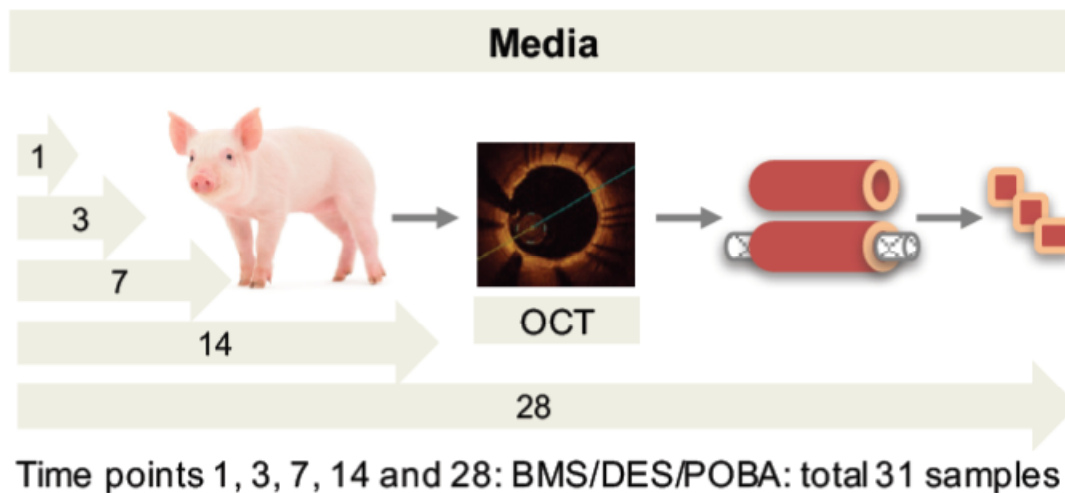
- The extracellular matrix plays a critical role in providing structural support to the vessel wall and influences cell behavior and signaling
- Platelet activation and inflammation as early response to stent deployment result in increased SMC migration, proliferation and ECM production
- Little is known about changes in ECM composition upon vascular stent injury, even though more than 50% of the neointimal hyperplasia consists of ECM proteins
- The strut coverage in OCT is used as a surrogate marker of chronic stent healing, however less data is available regarding the acute healing response in the first week

- Proteomics is a powerful technology to profile not just individual ECM proteins by antibody staining but characterize the different stages of ECM remodeling by liquid chromatography tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS).
- Comparative analysis of protein expression at sequential stages of stent healing

The aim of the study:

- Characterize ECM remodelling in porcine coronary arteries stented with BMS and DES by proteomics
- Evaluate the early healing response by OCT

- 12 domestic pigs underwent PCI with BMS (ML Vision, Abbott) or DES (Xience, Abbott) or POBA
- OCT was performed at 1, 3, 7, 14 and 28 days after stent deployment
- The neointima and media samples were analyzed separately

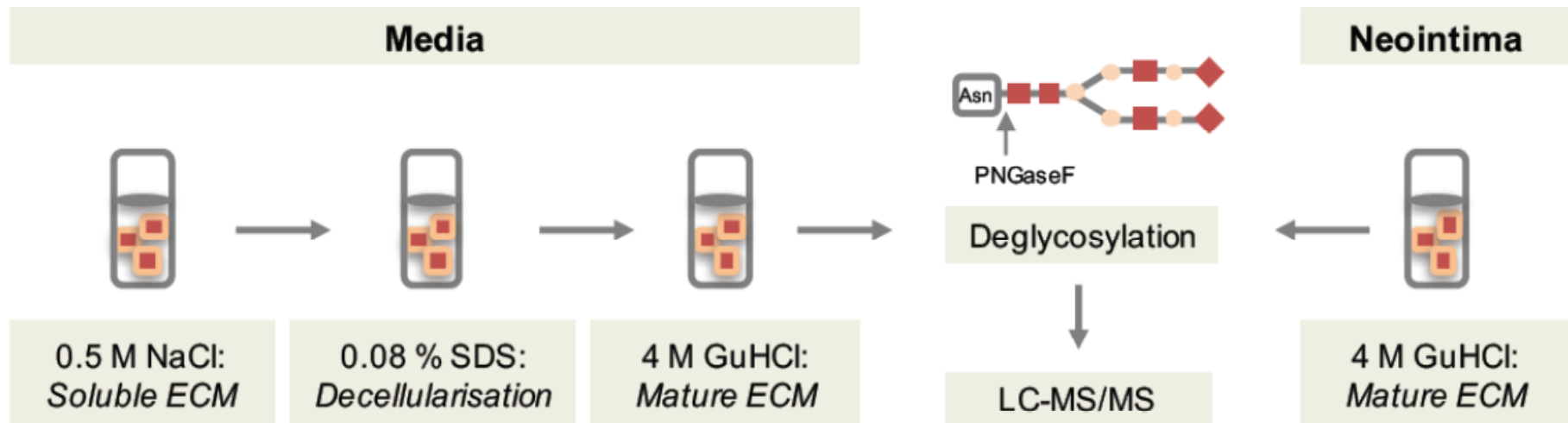


Neointima

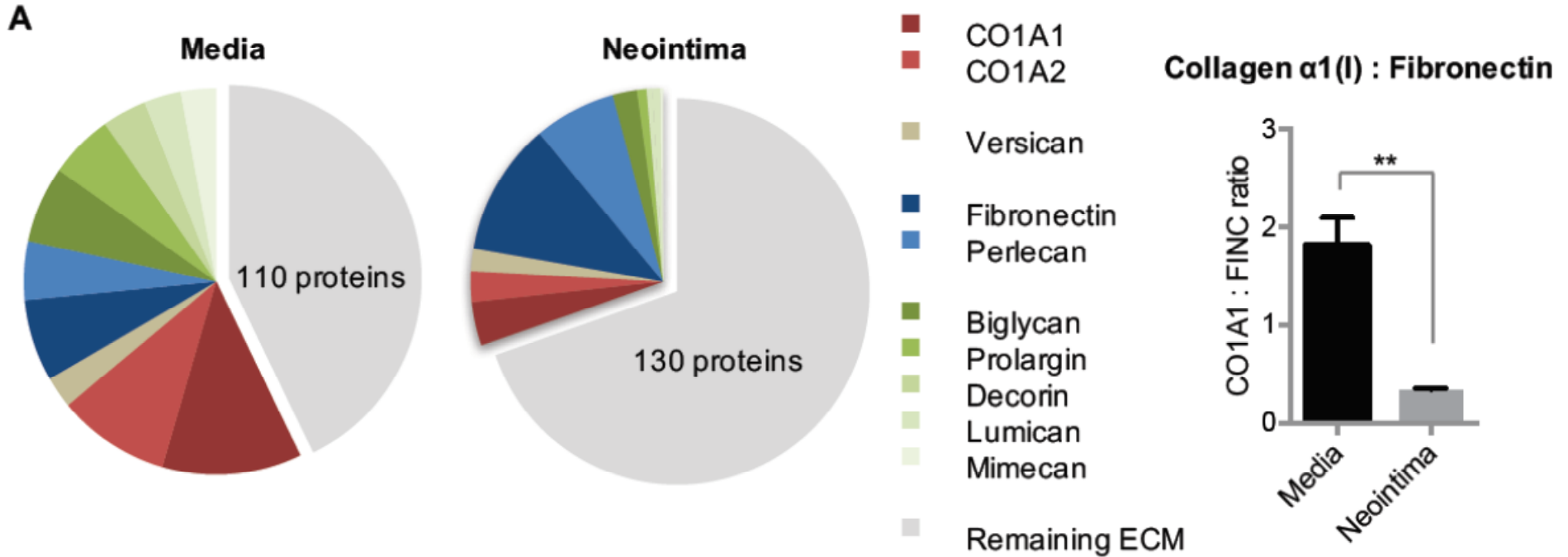


Time point 28: BMS/DES:
total 14 samples

- A 3-step protein extraction method was applied to the media and a single step for the more fragile neointimal tissue, followed by LC-MS/MS analysis of the deglycosylated, trypsin digested peptides per protocol developed in M. Mayr's lab



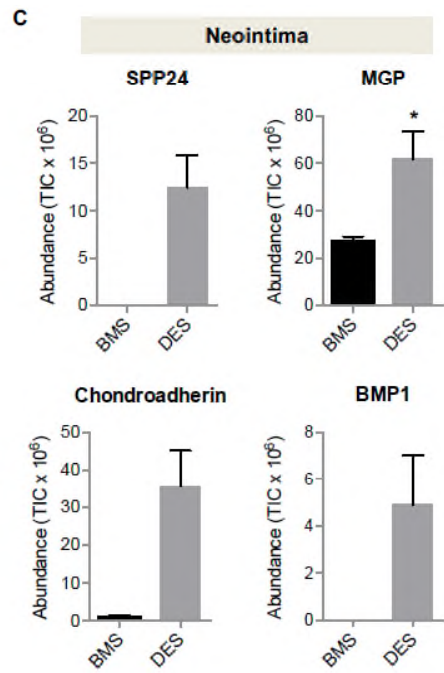
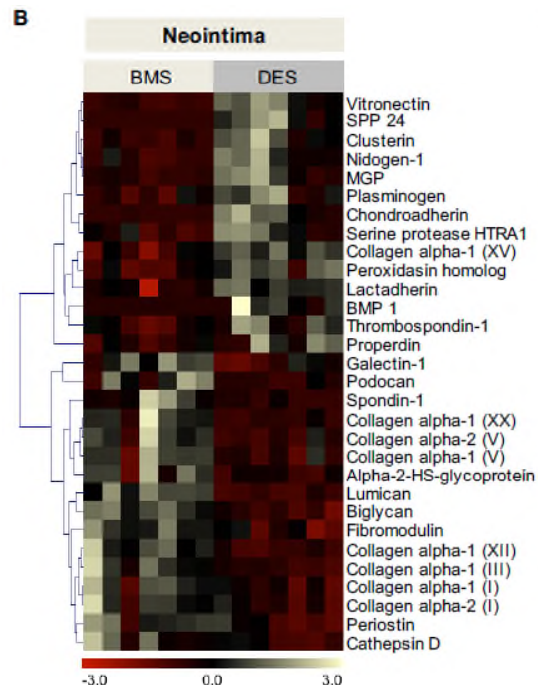
Custom-made pig ECM database was generated with list of previously published ECM proteins



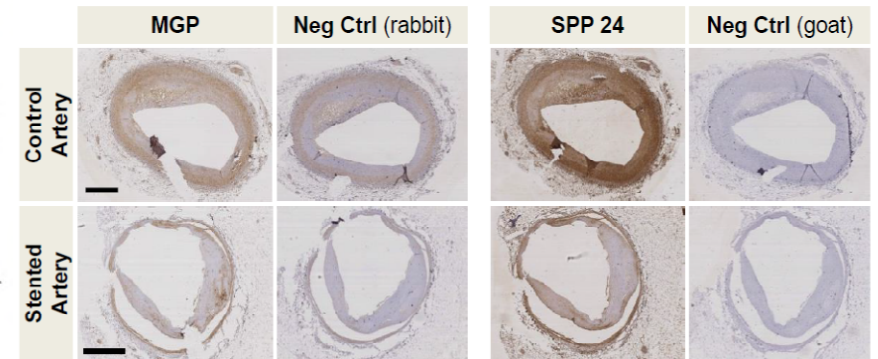
A total of 151 unique ECM proteins were identified overall in the media and neointima

ECM Remodeling in the Neointima

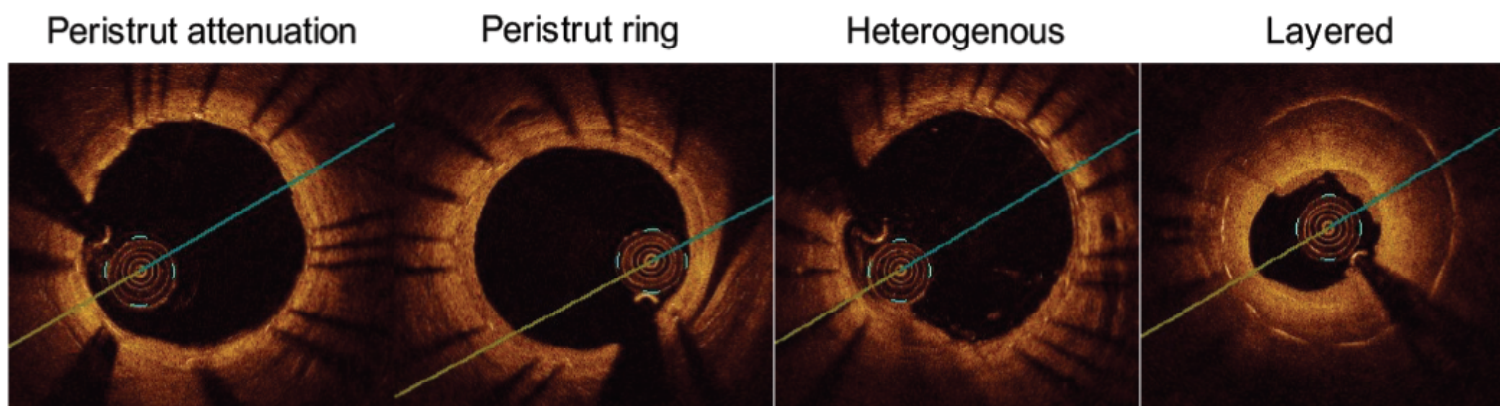
Pig model



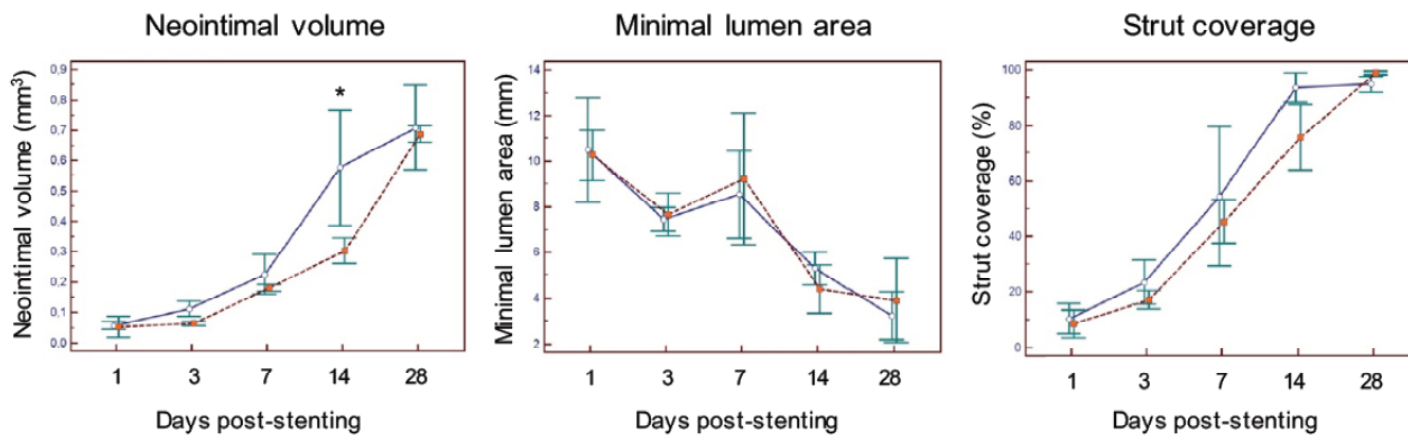
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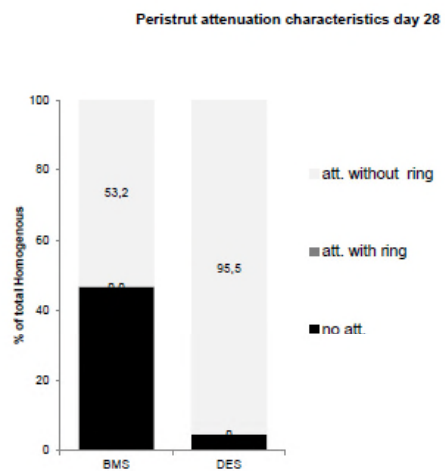
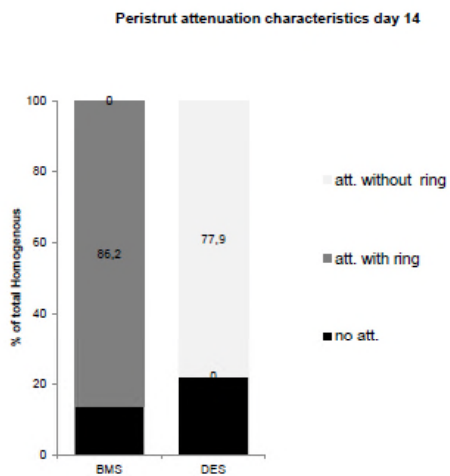
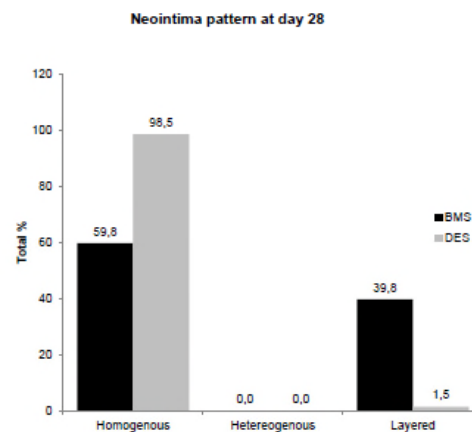
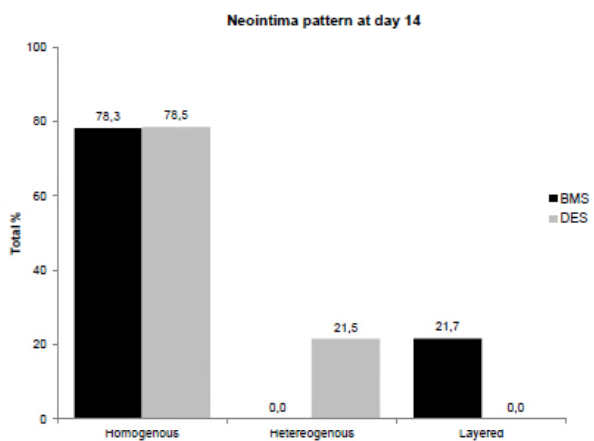
Quantitative analysis of the neointima by OCT

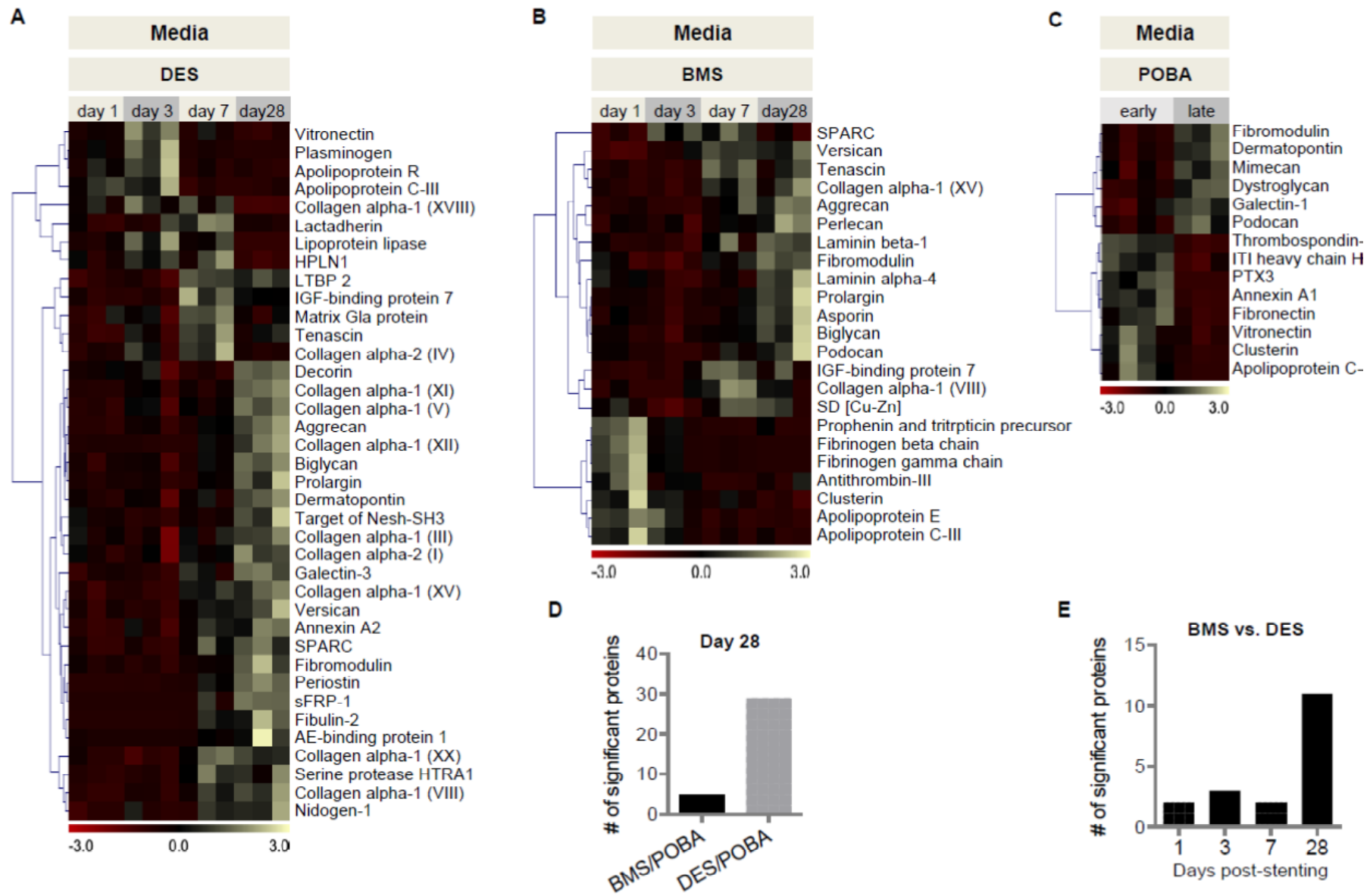


○—○ BMS ■- - -■ DES

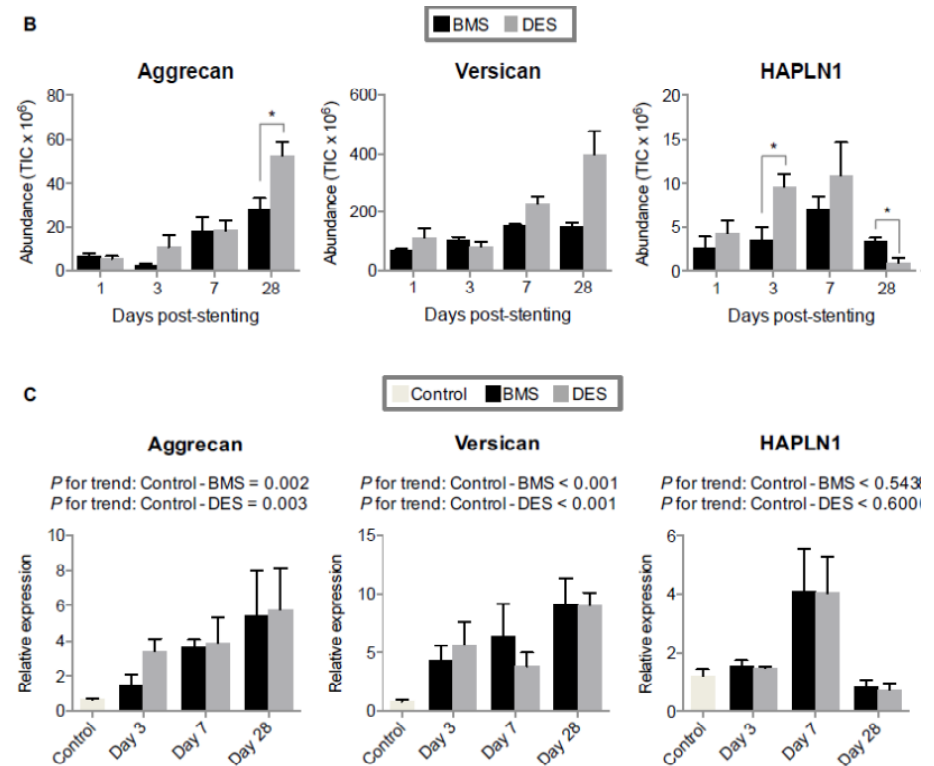
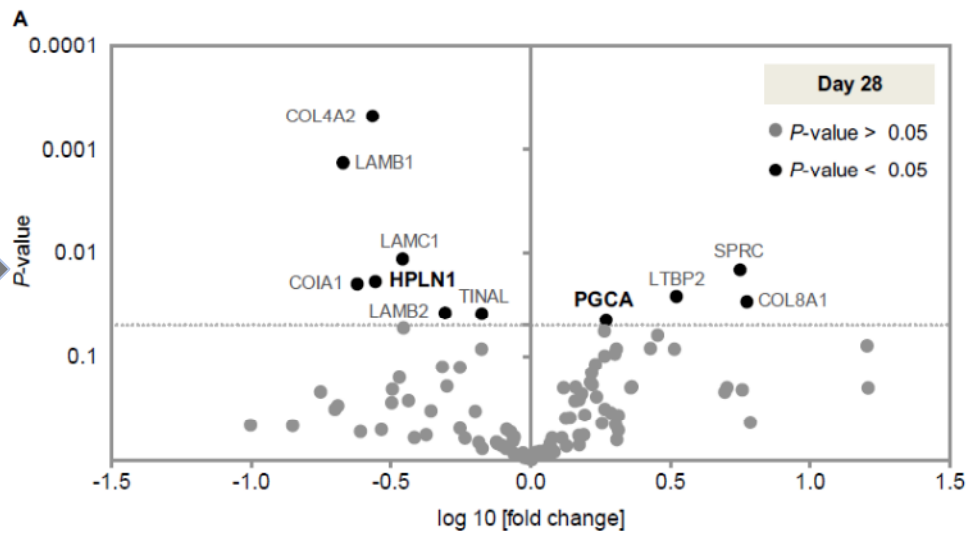


Comparative analysis of the neointima by OCT

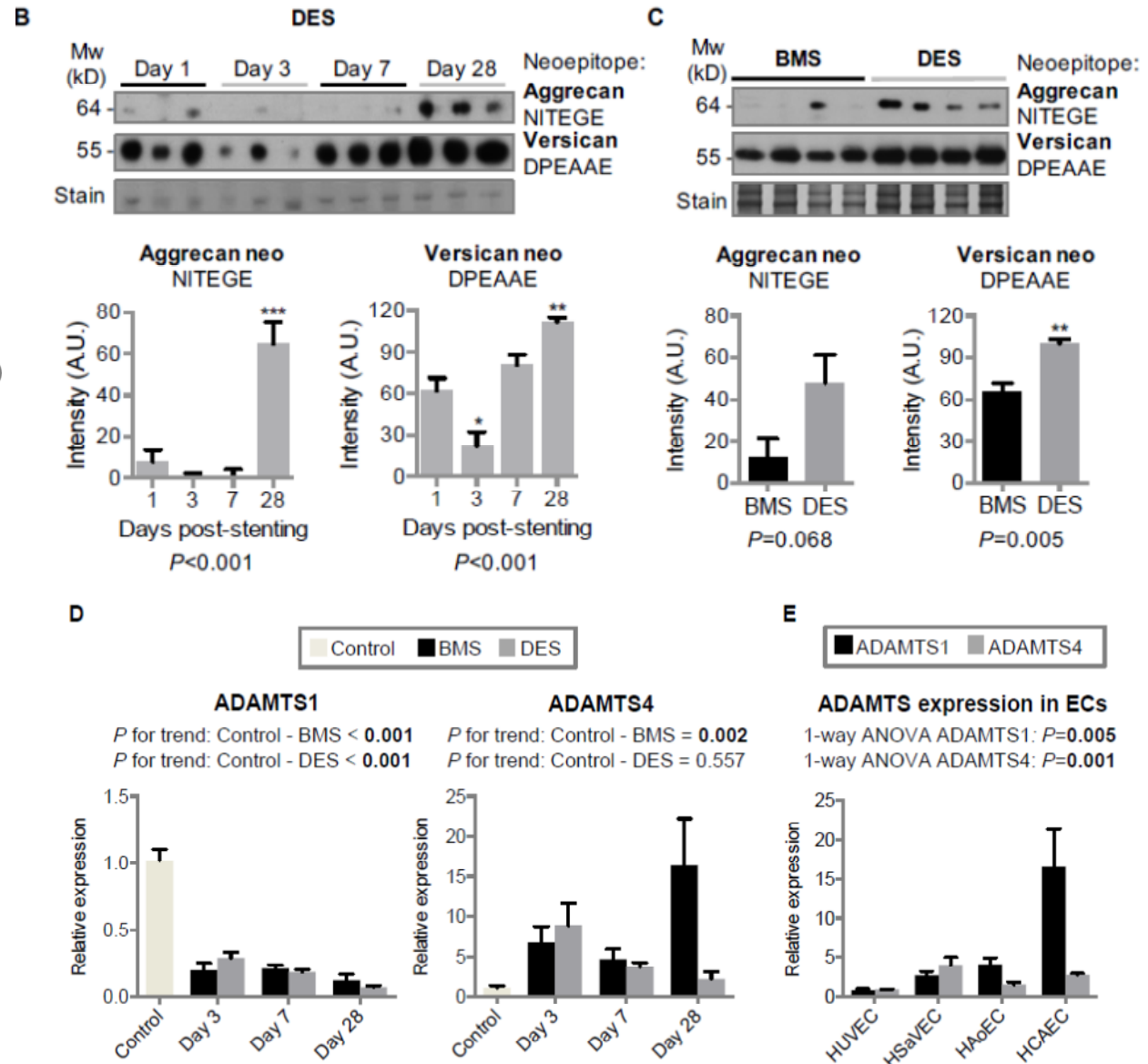
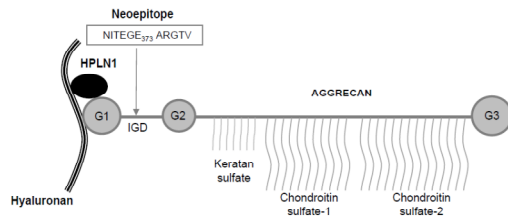




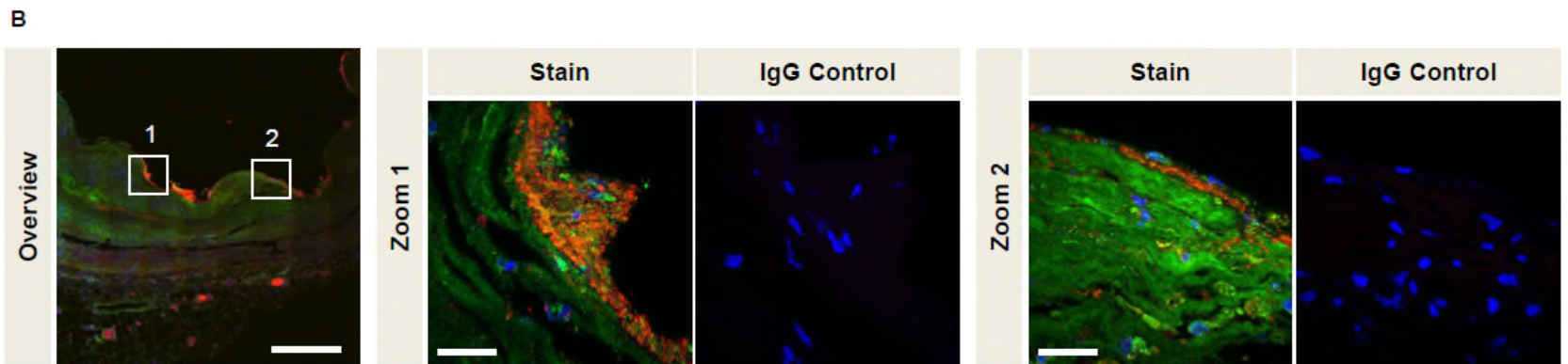
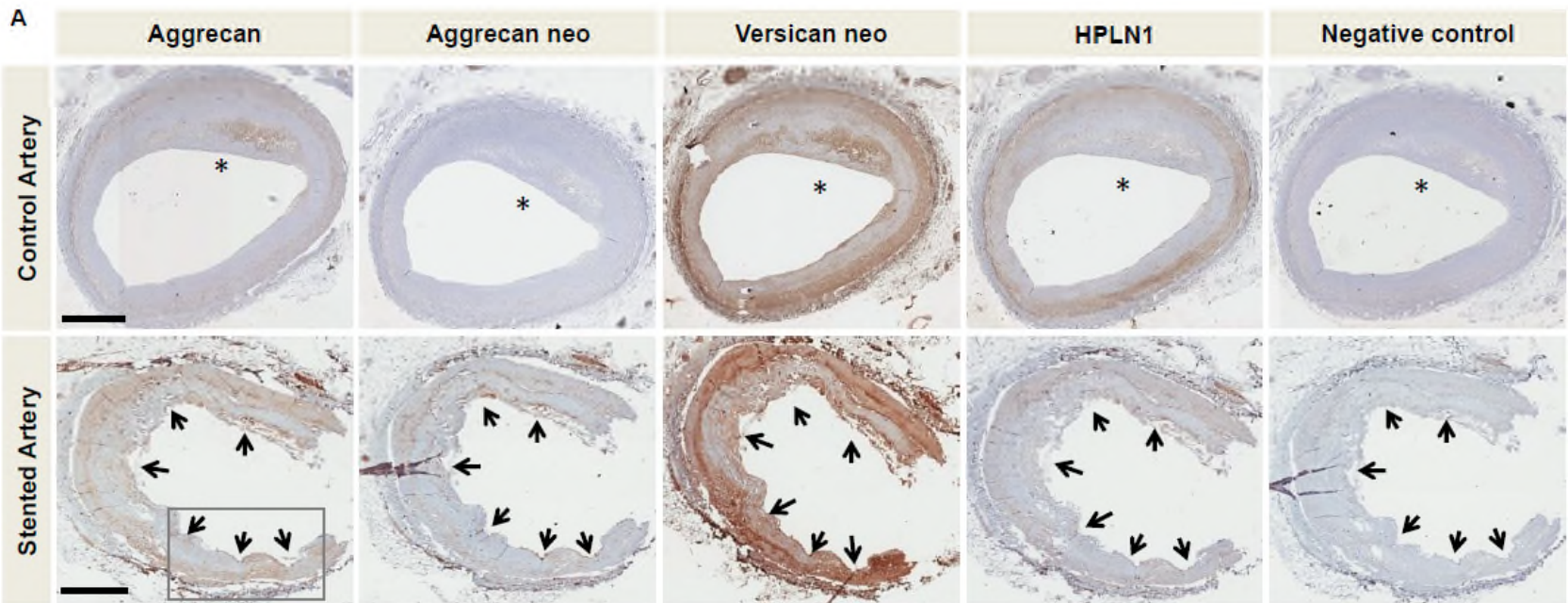
ECM composition in DES and BMS in the media



Aggrecanase Expression in DES and BMS and Endothelial Cells

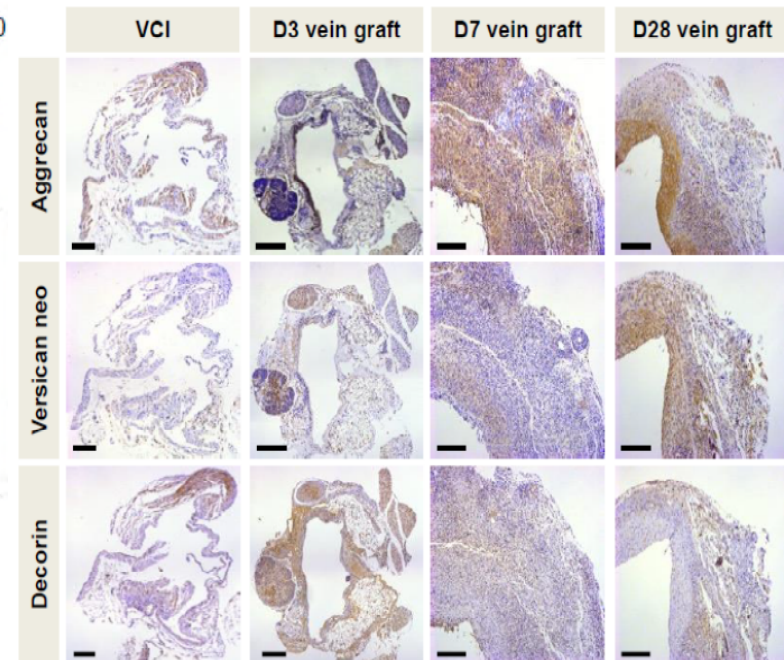
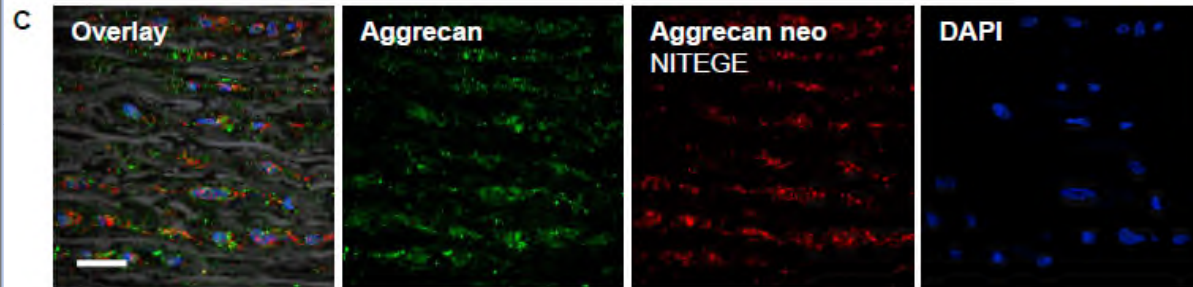
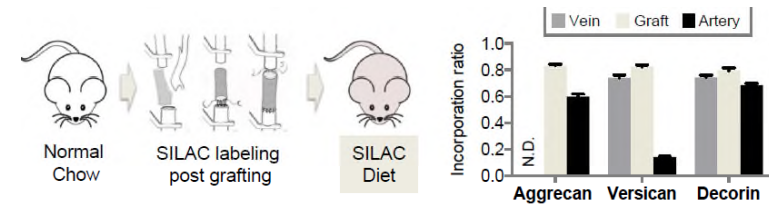
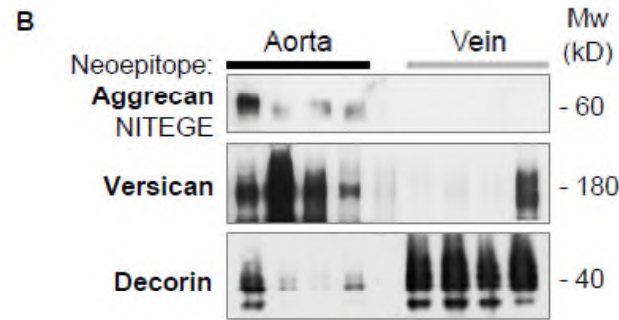
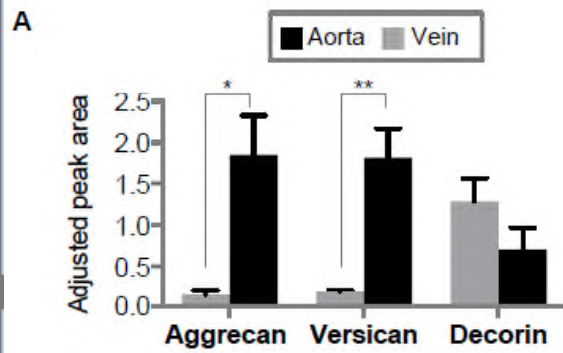


Human coronary arteries



Aggrecan in the vasculature

Role of mechanical force



- This is the first proteomics analysis of ECM remodeling in stented coronary arteries
- OCT showed similar early healing pattern of DES and BMS
- The effects of DES go beyond inhibition of SMC, but have a wider impact on vascular remodelling by altering the composition of the ECM
 - reduction in basement membrane proteins and decreased cellularity
 - increased production of large proteoglycans like aggrecan and versican (adaptation to increased wall stretch)
- Proteomics approach to identify extracellular matrix protein changes in response to BMS and DES revealed differential expression of aggrecan, a proteoglycan that is usually associated with articular cartilage degradation in RA and OA.
- Aggrecanase activity is an integral component of the vascular injury response post stenting
 - potential new drug targets to alter extracellular matrix remodeling in the vasculature.



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