

1 **Protein-Metabolite Interactomics of Carbohydrate Metabolism**

2 **Reveals Regulation of Lactate Dehydrogenase**

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4 **One sentence short summary:**

5 An interactomics platform identifies protein-metabolite interactions that adapt carbohydrate
6 metabolism to a changing nutrient environment.

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67 **Abstract**

68 Metabolic networks are interconnected and influence diverse cellular processes. The protein-
69 metabolite interactions that mediate these networks are frequently low-affinity and challenging to
70 systematically discover. We developed Mass spectrometry Integrated with equilibrium Dialysis
71 for the discovery of Allostery Systematically (MIDAS) to identify such interactions. Analysis of
72 33 enzymes from human carbohydrate metabolism identified 830 protein-metabolite interactions
73 including known regulators, substrates, and products, as well as previously unreported interactions.
74 We functionally validated a subset of interactions, including the isoform-specific inhibition of
75 lactate dehydrogenase by long-chain acyl-coenzyme A. Cells treated with fatty acids caused a loss
76 of pyruvate-lactate interconversion dependent on lactate dehydrogenase isoform expression. These
77 protein-metabolite interactions may contribute to the dynamic, tissue-specific metabolic flexibility
78 that enables growth and survival in an ever-changing nutrient environment.

79 **Main Text**

80 Metabolites are the small molecule substrates, intermediates, and end products of metabolic
81 pathways, and their interactions with proteins also communicate metabolic status to diverse
82 cellular processes (Fig. 1A). Such regulatory interactions—both covalent and non-covalent—
83 adapt cell behavior to dynamic nutrient availability and metabolic demand. The identification of
84 protein-metabolite interactions (PMIs) has been sporadic and strategies to discover such
85 interactions are limited. Some progress has been made (1, 2), but the nature of many PMIs
86 complicates their identification. For example, to maximize dynamic regulatory potential,
87 metabolites frequently interact with their target proteins with an affinity close to their cellular
88 concentrations—often low micromolar to low millimolar. Therefore, we developed the highly
89 sensitive Mass spectrometry Integrated with equilibrium Dialysis for the discovery of Allostery
90 Systematically (MIDAS) platform to enable the systematic discovery of PMIs, including both low-
91 and high-affinity interactions (3).

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93 **The MIDAS platform detects protein-metabolite interactions**

94 MIDAS leverages the biophysical principle of equilibrium dialysis (Fig. 1B). Briefly, a
95 purified protein is separated from a defined library of metabolites by a semi-permeable dialysis
96 membrane that allows diffusion of metabolites, but not protein. After incubation, the system
97 achieves relative equilibrium, such that the concentration of free (i.e., non-interacting)
98 metabolites is similar in the protein- and metabolite-chambers (Fig. 1B-grey outlined symbols).
99 However, the total concentration of those metabolites that interact with the protein is higher or
100 lower in the protein-chamber relative to the metabolite-chamber dependent on binding affinity
101 and mode of interaction (Fig. 1B-magenta triangles, yellow stars). The protein is then denatured
102 and removed from the protein-chamber and the relative abundances of all metabolites from both
103 chambers is quantified by high-throughput flow injection analysis mass spectrometry (FIA-MS).
104 The fold change between the chambers is determined and then normalized and corrected to
105 remove non-specific interactions (see Supplemental Methods section). A positive fold change
106 indicates a direct PMI and is dependent on the binding affinity of the interaction. A negative fold
107 change can result from the enzymatic conversion of the metabolite at a reaction rate faster than
108 the diffusion rate across the membrane. PMIs that are not disrupted during protein

109 denaturation—both covalent and non-covalent—also produce negative fold changes as the
110 metabolite is removed with the protein.

111 The MIDAS metabolite library comprises 401 compounds that represent a sizable fraction
112 of the water-soluble, chemically-stable, FIA-MS-detectable, and commercially available
113 components of the human metabolome (Fig. S1A and Data S1). Due to the intrinsic differences in
114 chemical structure and ionization properties, not all metabolites could be analyzed with the same
115 FIA-MS parameters. We profiled each metabolite individually for its optimal FIA-MS ionization
116 and detection conditions (Data S2), and, guided by these criteria, divided the library into four pools
117 for multiplexed analysis (Fig. S1B and Data S1). We developed rapid FIA-MS methods, optimized
118 for each pool, that enabled quantification of the constituent metabolites.

119 We performed a pilot validation study using proteins with well-characterized metabolite
120 interactors. We analyzed three human proteins that regulate mechanistic target of rapamycin
121 complex 1 (mTORC1): cytosolic arginine sensor for mTORC1 subunit 1 (CASTOR1), which
122 binds arginine (4); Sestrin2, which binds leucine, isoleucine, and methionine (5); and Rheb, which
123 hydrolyzes guanosine triphosphate (GTP) to guanosine diphosphate (GDP) (6) (Fig. S1C). In each
124 case, the known metabolite-ligands of these proteins were the most enriched interactors detected
125 (Fig. 1C – E; see Table S1 for metabolite abbreviations). In addition to known interactions,
126 polyamine derivatives (1,3-diaminopropane, agmatine, and cadaverine) were found to bind
127 CASTOR1 and Sestrin2, suggesting potential feedback regulation given that the mTORC1
128 pathway promotes polyamine synthesis in some cancers (7). Thus, MIDAS effectively identified
129 known PMIs—regulators, substrates, and products.

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131 **MIDAS reveals inter- and intrapathway interactions across carbohydrate metabolism**

132 The enzymes of carbohydrate metabolism drive the majority of cellular energy production
133 and biosynthetic precursor generation and are known to be regulated by metabolite interactions.
134 Therefore, we used MIDAS to profile 33 human enzymes spanning glycolysis, gluconeogenesis,
135 the tricarboxylic acid (TCA) cycle, and the serine biosynthetic pathway that branches from
136 glycolysis (Fig. S1C). In total, we identified 830 putative PMIs, many of which were previously
137 unknown (Data S4). Unsupervised hierarchical clustering (Fig. 2A – D) and multidimensional
138 scaling (Fig. 2E) of the PMI dataset demonstrated that structurally and functionally related proteins
139 frequently had similar metabolite interactions. For example, phosphoglycerate mutase (PGAM1

140 and PGAM2), enolase (ENO1 and ENO2), fructose biphosphatase (FBP1 and FBP2), and lactate
141 dehydrogenase (LDHA and LDHB) all clustered closely with their isoform counterparts. However,
142 this was not observed across all enzyme isoforms and isozymes nor would it be expected given
143 that divergent evolution enables distinct metabolic function and regulation, particularly when
144 reflected in cell type-specific isoform expression. For example, pyruvate kinase muscle isoform 1
145 (PKM1) is primarily expressed in adult tissues whereas pyruvate kinase muscle isoform 2 (PKM2)
146 is expressed in fetal tissues and many cancer cells (8). The difference between PKM1- and PKM2-
147 metabolite interactomes may reflect their unique, context-dependent function and regulation.
148 Additionally, isocitrate dehydrogenase isozymes (IDH2 and IDH3), which catalyze similar
149 chemistry, but are evolutionarily and structurally unrelated (9), exhibited distinct metabolite
150 interactomes. We observed clustering of multiple nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD)-
151 dependent dehydrogenases: glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH), LDHA,
152 LDHB, mitochondrial malate dehydrogenase (MDH2), and 3-phosphoglycerate dehydrogenase
153 (PHGDH), suggesting enzyme reaction class can drive the protein-metabolite interactome (Fig.
154 2E). An analogous clustering of structurally- and functionally-related metabolites was also
155 apparent, including nicotinamide-containing metabolites and flavin-adenine dinucleotide (Fig.
156 2B), phosphate-containing organic acids (Fig. 2C), and several nucleotide monophosphates (Fig.
157 2D).

158 Analysis of the 830 putative PMIs identified by the MIDAS platform showed that
159 carbohydrates exhibited the largest number of interactions with enzymes from carbohydrate
160 metabolism (Fig. 2F and S2). This likely reflects both substrate-product relationships as well as
161 the allosteric or orthosteric regulation of these enzymes by upstream or downstream metabolites
162 (i.e., feedforward and feedback regulation). The majority of non-carbohydrate PMIs involved
163 amino acids, nucleotides, and fatty acid derivatives. Such PMIs not only represent substrates and
164 products of enzymes in these pathways, but may reveal both intra- and inter-pathway regulation
165 of carbohydrate metabolism (Fig. 2G). Because MIDAS is an in vitro platform that lacks the
166 intracellular compartmentalization found in vivo, some of the putative PMIs are not predicted to
167 occur in intact cells (10); however, given the physiological plasticity of protein and metabolite
168 intracellular localization, such PMIs should not necessarily be ignored. We compared MIDAS data
169 to previously reported PMIs in the BRENDA and Recon3D databases (11, 12) using Fisher's exact
170 test and found that MIDAS significantly identified known substrates and products ($p < 2.0 \times 10^{-}$

171 ¹²) and activators and inhibitors ($p < 4.7 \times 10^{-8}$). We propose that these MIDAS data provide a
172 detailed view of the integration of local and distal metabolic information in carbohydrate
173 metabolism.

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175 **Structural analysis of metabolite interactions with enolase and fumarase**

176 We selected a subset of PMIs for deeper bioinformatic, biochemical, and structural
177 analysis. Enolase catalyzes the penultimate step in glycolysis, and the most enriched metabolite
178 for both isoforms (ENO1 and ENO2) was phosphoserine (pSer, Fig. 3A). pSer is the immediate
179 precursor for serine biosynthesis, which diverges from glycolysis upstream of enolase. Serine
180 allosterically activates PKM2 (13), the enzyme immediately downstream of enolase in glycolysis.
181 Differential scanning fluorimetry (DSF) (14), which measures the changing thermal stability of a
182 protein upon ligand binding, showed that pSer (but not serine, phosphotyrosine, or phosphate)
183 stabilized both ENO1 ($K_{D\text{ app}} = 1.38\text{ mM}$) and ENO2 ($K_{D\text{ app}} = 1.15\text{ mM}$) (Fig. 3B) with low affinity
184 similar to their substrate 2-phosphoglycerate (2PG) ($K_{D\text{ app}} = 0.298\text{ mM}$ and 0.289 mM ,
185 respectively). X-ray crystallography of the pSer-ENO2 complex showed that pSer was
186 asymmetrically bound to the ENO2 dimer at one of the two active sites and partially overlapped
187 with the 2PG phosphate binding site (Fig. 3C, D and S3A, B). Furthermore, pSer promoted an
188 “open” active site conformation relative to the substrate-bound complex, observed as repositioning
189 of loops 4 and 11 and alpha helices 7 and 11 (Fig. 3D). pSer only weakly inhibited in vitro enolase
190 activity (Fig. S3C). Thus, this binding event might modulate other enolase activities such as one
191 of its reported moonlighting functions (15, 16).

192 We identified 2-amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid (AP-3), a component of phosphonate
193 metabolism and the transamination product of 3-phosphonopyruvate (17), as a putative interactor
194 with fumarase, an enzyme in the TCA cycle that catalyzes the reversible hydration of fumarate to
195 malate (Fig. 3E). AP-3 induced the thermal stabilization of fumarase ($K_{D\text{ app}} = 0.98\text{ mM}$) similar
196 to its substrate, fumarate ($K_{D\text{ app}} = 3.87\text{ mM}$) (Fig. 3F). Kinetic assays demonstrated that AP-3
197 competitively inhibited fumarase (Fig. S3D), and, consistent with this, the crystal structure of the
198 complex revealed that AP-3 binds in the active site of fumarase similarly to the known inhibitor
199 citrate (Fig. 3G, H and S3E) (18). Although detected in human tissues and ubiquitous in microbial
200 metabolism (19-21), little is known about AP-3 metabolism in humans and the consequences of

201 fumarase modulation by AP-3. These findings demonstrate that without *a priori* information
202 MIDAS can identify previously unreported, low affinity, and functionally impactful PMIs.

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204 **MIDAS identified known and previously unknown metabolite interactions**

205 MIDAS identified PMIs with previously known substrates, products, and regulators (Fig.
206 3I – N and S3F – L, stars). For example, glucose-6-phosphate isomerase (GPI) interacted with its
207 substrates, glucose-6-phosphate and fructose-6-phosphate (hexose-P) (Fig. 3I);
208 phosphofructokinase (PFKP) interacted with its product, fructose 1,6-bisphosphate
209 (F1,6BP/G1,6BP), and alternative substrate, sedoheptulose-7-phosphate (Sedo-7P) (22) (Fig. 3J);
210 GAPDH interacted with its substrate, NAD, and regulators, cyclic adenosine monophosphate
211 (cAMP), creatine-phosphate (P-creatine), and malonyl-CoA (23-26) (Fig. 3K); PKM2 interacted
212 with GDP and multiple amino acid regulators (27) (Fig. 3L); and PGAM1 and PGAM2 interacted
213 with their substrates 3-phosphoglycerate (3PG), 2,3-disphosphoglycerate (2,3-BPG), and
214 phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) (Fig. 3N).

215 MIDAS also uncovered many previously unknown PMIs from diverse metabolic pathways
216 (Fig. 3I – N and S3F – L, circles). For example, acyl-coenzyme A, inositol phosphates,
217 nicotinamides, adenine nucleotides, and downstream glycolytic intermediates interacted with GPI
218 (Fig. 3I); inositol-1,4,5-triphosphate (Ins(1,4,5)P₃), 2,3-BPG, and 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl
219 coenzyme A (HMG-CoA) interacted with GAPDH (Fig. 3K); PKM2 interacted with flavins, 5-
220 methyltetrahydrofolate (5-MTHF), and a thyroid hormone intermediate, 3,5-diiodo-L-tyrosine
221 (Fig. 3L). PKM2 is known to be allosterically regulated *in vitro* by thyroid hormone T₃ (28). Inter-
222 pathway metabolite interactions were also detected with the enzymes glucokinase (GCK), liver 6-
223 phosphofructokinase (PFKL), aldolase B (ALDOB), triosephosphate isomerase (TPI1),
224 phosphoglycerate kinase 1 (PGK1), phosphoserine aminotransferase 1 (PSAT1), and isocitrate
225 dehydrogenase 2 (IDH2) (Fig. S3F – L). Together these results suggest that MIDAS detects
226 extensive protein-metabolite interplay across the metabolic network.

227 MIDAS analysis of multiple isoforms of metabolic enzymes demonstrated both shared and
228 distinct metabolite interactions. Fructose bisphosphatase (FBP) catalyzes the conversion of
229 fructose-1,6-bisphosphate to fructose-6-phosphate. Both isoforms (FBP1 and FBP2) interacted
230 with various nucleotide monophosphates and 5-phospho-D-ribose 1-diphosphate (PRPP), the end
231 product of the pentose phosphate pathway and substrate for purine and pyrimidine metabolisms

232 (Fig. 3M). However, only FBP1 showed an interaction with glucosamine-6-phosphate, an often
233 rate-limiting intermediate in the hexosamine pathway, which is derived from fructose-6-
234 phosphate. These findings may reflect the expression differences between FBP1 (gluconeogenic
235 tissues) and FBP2 (non-gluconeogenic tissues) (<https://www.gtexportal.org/home/>). Similarly,
236 isoforms of phosphoglycerate mutase (PGAM1 and PGAM2) interacted with a large set of
237 metabolites, almost all of which were identical between them, except for Ins(1,4,5)P₃ with PGAM1
238 and phosphatidylinositol-4,5-bisphosphate C-6 (PIP2) and phosphatidylinositol-3,4,5-
239 triphosphate C-6 (PIP3) with PGAM2 (Fig. 3N). This might reflect differential membrane
240 recruitment and/or regulation of PGAM isoforms by phosphoinositide kinases, which are activated
241 by growth factor signaling (29). PMI differences between isoforms or isozymes may inform their
242 specific function and regulation.

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244 **Lactate dehydrogenase A is inhibited by ATP**

245 Lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) catalyzes the reduction of pyruvate to lactate coincident
246 with the oxidation of NADH to NAD. Consumption of pyruvate, the end product of glycolysis, by
247 LDH competes with its mitochondrial uptake and oxidation by the TCA cycle to maximize ATP
248 production. When mitochondrial pyruvate oxidation is limited, such as in hypoxia or aerobic
249 glycolysis, LDH is required to regenerate NAD to enable continued glycolytic flux. The LDH
250 reaction is reversible and is required to use lactate, a major circulating carbohydrate in mammals
251 (30), as a fuel to support cellular functions. LDH is thus a key node in carbohydrate metabolism.

252 The two major isoforms, LDHA and LDHB, have distinct substrate reaction kinetics and
253 tissue expression (31). MIDAS analysis of LDHA and LDHB revealed interactions with several
254 metabolites, most of which were common to both proteins (Fig. 4A). These included the substrates
255 NADH and NAD and the structurally related nucleotides, nicotinamide mononucleotide and flavin
256 adenine dinucleotide, as well as the competitive inhibitor, oxaloacetate (32), and other keto-acids
257 related to the LDH substrates lactate and pyruvate (Fig. 4A, B). We also observed two other
258 classes of interacting metabolites, adenosine nucleotides and free and acylated coenzyme A. Using
259 DSF, we found that ATP interacted with LDHA and LDHB with a $K_{D\text{ app}} = 0.636$ mM and 0.697
260 mM, respectively (Fig. 4C), which is a low and biologically relevant affinity, given that the
261 intracellular steady state ATP concentration range is 1 to 8 mM (33). The observed interactions of
262 either LDH isoform with ADP and AMP may not be physiologically relevant given the disparity

263 between the $K_{D\text{ app}}$ values and cellular concentrations of ADP and AMP (~0.4 mM and ~0.04 mM,
264 respectively (34)) (Fig. 4C). Enzymatic activity assays of the two LDH isoforms further supported
265 this conclusion as both AMP and ADP inhibited LDHA and LDHB only at supraphysiological
266 concentrations (Fig. 4D). Despite similar binding affinities to both LDHA and LDHB (Fig. 4C),
267 ATP inhibited only the LDHA isoform, with an IC_{50} of 2.3 mM and this inhibition appeared to be
268 competitive with NAD and lactate (Fig. 4D and S4A). This isoform-specific inhibition could relate
269 to the opposing effects of ATP binding on the thermal stability of the two proteins (Fig. 4C).

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271 **LDHA, but not LDHB, is inhibited by fatty acyl-CoAs in vitro and in cells**

272 We investigated the putative interaction between the LDH isoforms and coenzyme A
273 (CoA) or CoA conjugated to short, medium, or long-chain fatty acids (i.e., acyl-CoAs).
274 Esterification of long-chain (>12 carbons) fatty acids to CoA is required for their intracellular
275 diffusion and transport into the mitochondrial matrix where they undergo β -oxidation to fuel ATP
276 production (35). The accumulation of these long-chain acyl-CoA species is a signal of carbon fuel
277 excess (36). We observed that acyl-CoAs inhibited LDHA as a function of fatty acid chain length.
278 Neither CoA alone nor any acyl-CoA with a fatty acid chain-length of up to eight carbons affected
279 enzyme activity, and C12:0-CoA (lauroyl-CoA) only inhibited LDHA with an $IC_{50} > 100 \mu\text{M}$ (Fig.
280 4E). However, long-chain acyl-CoAs such as C16:0-CoA (palmitoyl-CoA), C18:1-CoA (oleoyl-
281 CoA) and C20:0-CoA (arachidoyl-CoA) all inhibited LDHA with IC_{50} values of ~1 μM (Fig. 4E).
282 The inhibition of LDHA by palmitoyl-CoA was non-competitive with respect to both NAD and
283 lactate, suggesting that it likely binds to LDHA outside of the active site (Fig. S4B). Intriguingly,
284 LDHB, which shares 75% amino acid sequence identity with LDHA, was completely insensitive
285 to all tested acyl-CoAs, even at concentrations up to 100 μM (Fig. 4F).

286 Having observed that palmitoyl-CoA inhibited LDHA, but not LDHB, we used two
287 orthogonal approaches to test for a physical interaction. In a DSF assay, low micromolar
288 concentrations of palmitoyl-CoA (similar to the IC_{50}) induced the formation of a distinct thermo-
289 labile species of LDHA and a thermo-stable species of LDHB (Fig. S4C). LDHA and LDHB also
290 bound to palmitoyl-CoA immobilized on agarose beads and the binding of either protein was
291 disrupted by free palmitoyl-CoA, but not with buffer or C2:0-CoA (acetyl-CoA) (Fig. S4D). These
292 data indicate that LDHA and LDHB directly interact with palmitoyl-CoA with low micromolar
293 affinity.

294 Given that palmitoyl-CoA inhibited LDHA at physiological concentrations, we tested
295 whether this inhibition occurs in cells. We performed metabolic tracing experiments using H9c2
296 rat cardiomyoblasts, which were chosen because of their native expression of both isoforms,
297 wherein we deleted the *Ldha* or *Ldhb* gene, or both (Fig. S4E). We treated cells with ¹³C-labeled
298 glucose in the presence or absence of BSA-conjugated palmitate, which allows for efficient
299 delivery of the fatty acid into the cell where it is esterified to palmitoyl-CoA (Fig. 4G). We used
300 mass spectrometry to measure the uptake and assimilation of ¹³C into lactate. All four cell lines
301 (WT, *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, and *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-}) showed a similar (~80%) increase in intracellular
302 palmitate following incubation with its BSA-conjugate (Fig. S4F). Palmitate decreased the
303 labeling of lactate from ¹³C-glucose in wild-type (WT) and *Ldhb*^{-/-} cells, but not in cells lacking
304 LDHA (Fig. 4H and S4G, H), demonstrating that palmitate inhibition of glucose-to-lactate
305 conversion is dependent upon LDHA in these cells. Multiple enzymes in carbohydrate metabolism
306 are sensitive to acyl-CoA abundance (37-41), so, to more specifically interrogate the conversion
307 of lactate to pyruvate by LDH, we performed experiments wherein we followed the conversion of
308 ¹³C-lactate to ¹³C-pyruvate (Fig. 4I). Again, treatment with palmitate blunted the generation of
309 m+3 pyruvate in WT and *Ldhb*^{-/-} cells, but pyruvate labeling in *Ldha*^{-/-} or *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} cells
310 was unaffected (Fig. 4J, S4I-J).

311 To test the possibility that upstream or downstream intermediates in fatty acid metabolism
312 inhibit LDHA, we performed ¹³C-glucose and ¹³C-lactate tracing experiments in the presence of
313 triacsin C, an inhibitor of acyl-CoA synthase, which catalyzes fatty acid conjugation to coenzyme
314 A (Fig. S5A, C) (42). In both experiments, triacsin C prevented palmitate-mediated inhibition of
315 lactate and pyruvate labeling (Fig. S5B, D), thus demonstrating that conjugation to CoA is required
316 for palmitate to inhibit LDHA activity. To determine if catabolism of acyl-CoAs is required for
317 their inhibition of LDHA, we performed experiments using 2,2-dimethyl-palmitate (DiMePal) or
318 2,2-dimethyl-stearate (DiMeSte) (Fig. S6A). DiMePal and DiMeSte are dimethylated fatty acid
319 analogs that can be conjugated to CoA by acyl-CoA synthase, but cannot be further metabolized
320 via beta-oxidation (Fig. S6A, B). Similar to palmitoyl-CoA, DiMePal-CoA inhibited LDHA, but
321 not LDHB, in vitro (Fig. S6C, D). Tracing with either ¹³C-glucose or ¹³C-lactate was inhibited by
322 DiMePal or DiMeSte (Fig. S6E-I). These results suggest that the inhibition of LDHA by palmitate
323 is mediated by long-chain acyl-CoAs and not by upstream or downstream fatty acid intermediates.

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325 Discussion

326 Both ATP and long-chain acyl-CoAs preferentially inhibited LDHA, but not LDHB.
327 LDHA and LDHB, the two dominant isoforms of lactate dehydrogenase, are expressed in a tissue-
328 specific pattern such that the liver almost exclusively expresses LDHA, whereas the heart has high
329 expression of LDHB (Fig. S7A, B). The IC_{50} for inhibition by ATP is well within the range of
330 normal intracellular ATP concentrations, so LDHA may be partially inhibited in all cells with
331 normal energy status. Given that the liver, the most LDHA-dominant tissue, catabolizes multiple
332 substrates, inhibition by ATP might be a mechanism to spare carbohydrates, like lactate, for other
333 tissues. The liver and heart have very different metabolic demands that mirror their LDHA and
334 LDHB expression differences, especially in the context of fatty acids. The heart is a “metabolic
335 omnivore” (43), acquiring energy from multiple nutrient sources. Expression of LDHB enables
336 carbohydrate metabolism, particularly lactate uptake and catabolism, even in the context of active
337 fatty acid metabolism (and potentially high acyl-CoA concentration). The liver plays a distinct and
338 critically important role in organismal metabolic homeostasis. LDHA inhibition by acyl-CoAs
339 could be a mechanism for the unexpected interplay of lactate, fatty acids, and gluconeogenesis
340 observed in animal studies (44, 45). Analysis of 928 cancer cell lines from DepMap (46, 47)
341 revealed a stronger negative correlation between lactate and long-chain acyl-carnitines
342 (intermediates in fatty acid metabolism) in the 70 cell lines that primarily express LDHA (LDHA^{Hi}
343 LDHB^{Lo}) relative to 858 cell lines that express both LDHA and LDHB (LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Hi}) (Fig.
344 S7C-F). LDHA-specific inhibitors have been proposed to block aerobic glycolysis in cancers (48,
345 49), where perhaps the isoform-specific regulatory mechanism(s) of ATP and acyl-CoAs could be
346 exploited therapeutically.

347 This inter-pathway regulation between fatty acid and carbohydrate metabolisms is just one
348 potential example of the myriad metabolite-driven regulatory events that enforce organismal
349 homeostasis, which is vital to appropriately respond to stressors like the feed-fast cycle, exercise,
350 and infection. Interactions between proteins and metabolites may mediate much of this control.
351 We validated MIDAS as a platform for the discovery of these critical mechanisms, particularly for
352 the detection of low-affinity interactions. In complement to recent discoveries of functionally
353 important PMIs (50-52), MIDAS identified hundreds of putative interactions with the enzymes of
354 carbohydrate metabolism. Therefore, MIDAS serves as a conduit to identify, understand, and
355 exploit new modes of metabolic regulation across the protein-metabolite interactome.

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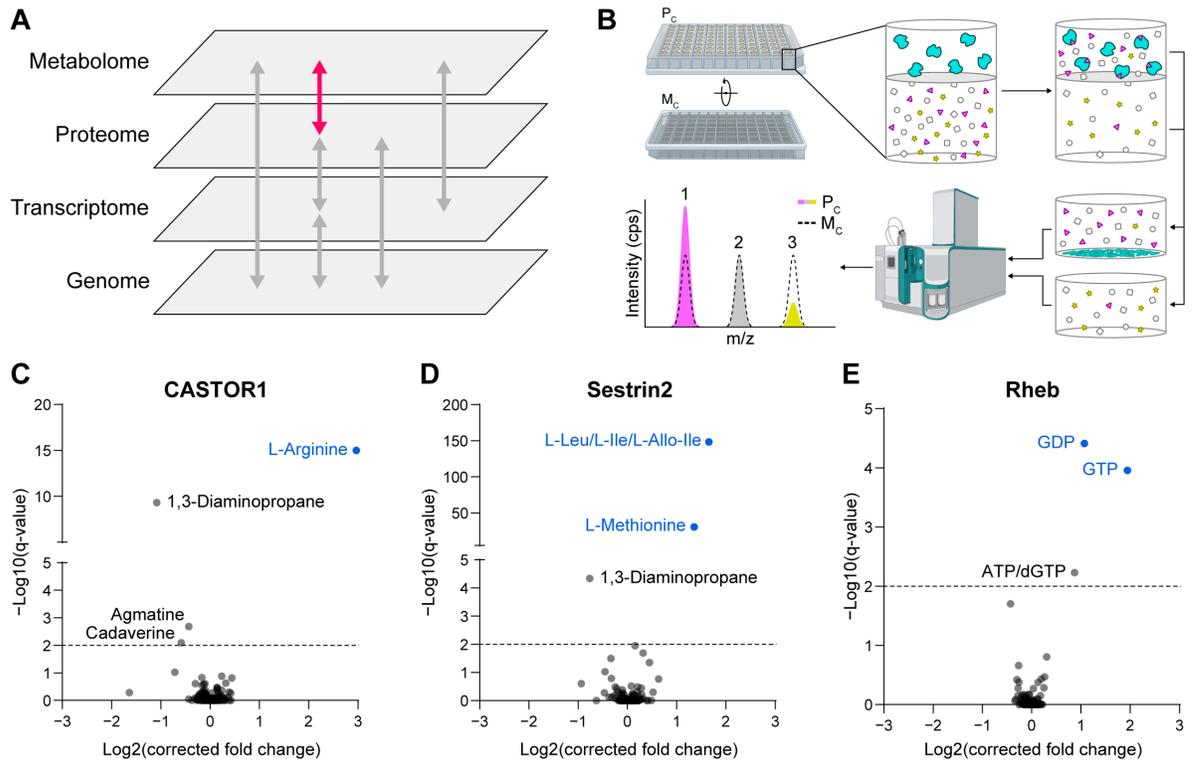
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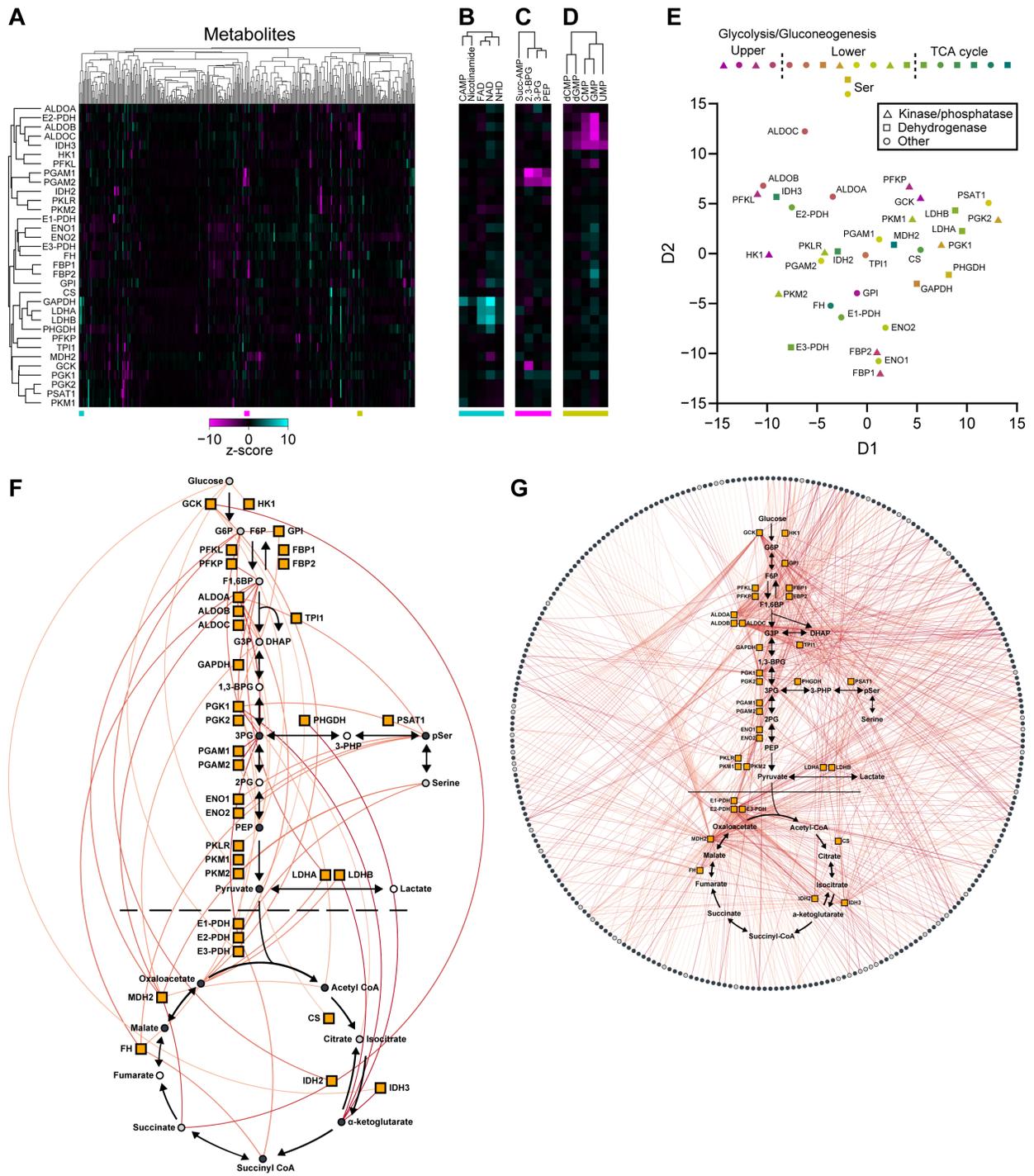
Fig. 1



570 **Figure 1. MIDAS is a platform for the systematic discovery of protein-metabolite**
571 **interactions.**

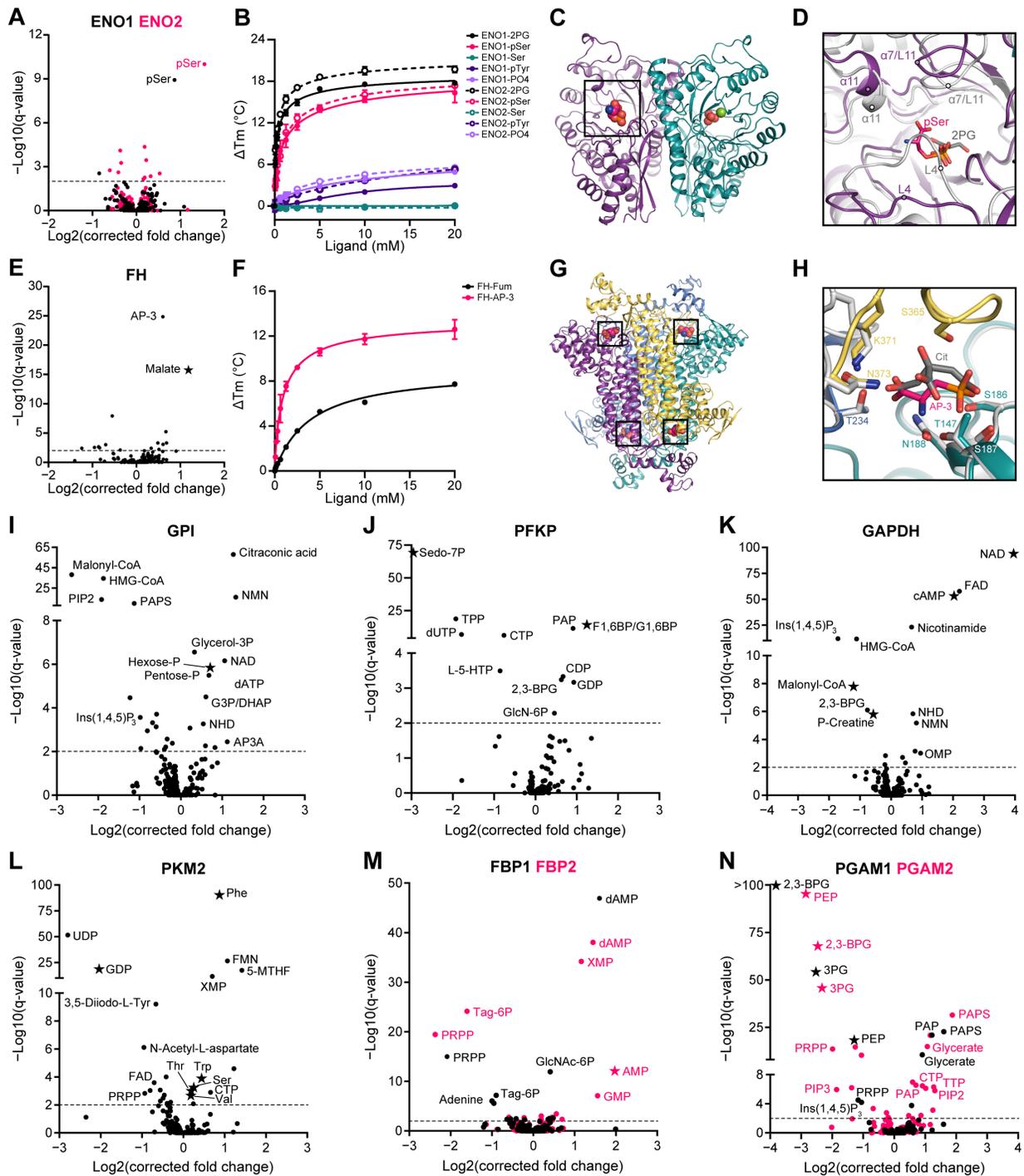
572 **(A)** Biological systems are organized into domains of information (labeled grey panes). Flow of
573 information within and between these domains is transmitted through direct interactions and
574 underlies biological function (arrows). The MIDAS platform provides protein-metabolite
575 interaction (PMI) discovery (pink arrow). **(B)** The MIDAS platform is an equilibrium dialysis
576 tandem flow injection analysis mass spectrometry (FIA-MS) approach. (Top, left and center)
577 Purified proteins (cyan) are loaded into the protein-chamber (P_c) and defined pools of metabolites
578 into the metabolite-chamber (M_c), separated by a protein-impermeable dialysis membrane. (Top,
579 right) The system is incubated to relative equilibrium. (Bottom, right and center) Proteins are
580 removed by precipitation, metabolites in the P_c and M_c are sampled, and the relative abundance of
581 metabolites from both chambers are quantified using FIA-MS. (Bottom, left) PMIs are observed
582 as an increase (1) or decrease (3) in metabolite abundance in the P_c relative to the M_c (dotted peak).
583 Metabolites that have equal abundance in the P_c relative to the M_c (2) are defined as non-interacting
584 with the target protein. **(C, D, E)** Volcano plots of MIDAS analyses of the mTORC1 regulators
585 CASTOR1, Sestrin2, and Rheb. Significant PMIs are labeled; previously known interactions are
586 blue. All proteins were screened by triplicate equilibrium dialysis and technical triplicate FIA-MS
587 injections. Significant PMIs identified by MIDAS are labeled and have a q-value < 0.01 (dotted
588 line).

Fig. 2



590 **Figure 2. The protein-metabolite interactome of human carbohydrate metabolism.**
591 **(A)** Heatmap representation of MIDAS PMIs of 33 enzymes in human carbohydrate metabolism.
592 Heatmap values are the z-score $\log_2(\text{corrected fold change})$ for all metabolites in the MIDAS
593 metabolite library on a per protein basis. Clustering was performed by one minus Pearson
594 correlation. Positive (cyan) and negative (magenta) metabolite z-score $\log_2(\text{corrected fold change})$
595 have a maximum and minimum cut-off of 10 and -10 , respectively. MIDAS analysis of all proteins
596 was performed by triplicate equilibrium dialysis and technical triplicate FIA-MS injections. **(B, C,**
597 **D)** Excerpt examples of metabolite clustering from (A). Colored bars (bottom) indicate the location
598 of the extracted heatmaps from (A) (bottom). **(E)** Multidimensional scaling (MDS) of 33 human
599 enzymes in carbohydrate metabolism based on their MIDAS PMIs. MDS distance values were
600 generated from the z-score $\log_2(\text{corrected fold change})$ for all metabolites in the MIDAS
601 metabolite library on a per protein basis. **(F and G)** Significant intra-pathway (F) and inter-
602 pathway (G) interactions (colored lines) between metabolites (circles) and 33 enzymes in human
603 carbohydrate metabolism (orange boxes) (plots generated in *Electrum*). Metabolites with (light
604 grey circles) and without (dark grey circles) isomers in the same screening pool. Metabolites not
605 present in the library (open circles). Significant PMIs identified by MIDAS have a q-value < 0.01
606 and are colored by increasing significance, light orange to red.

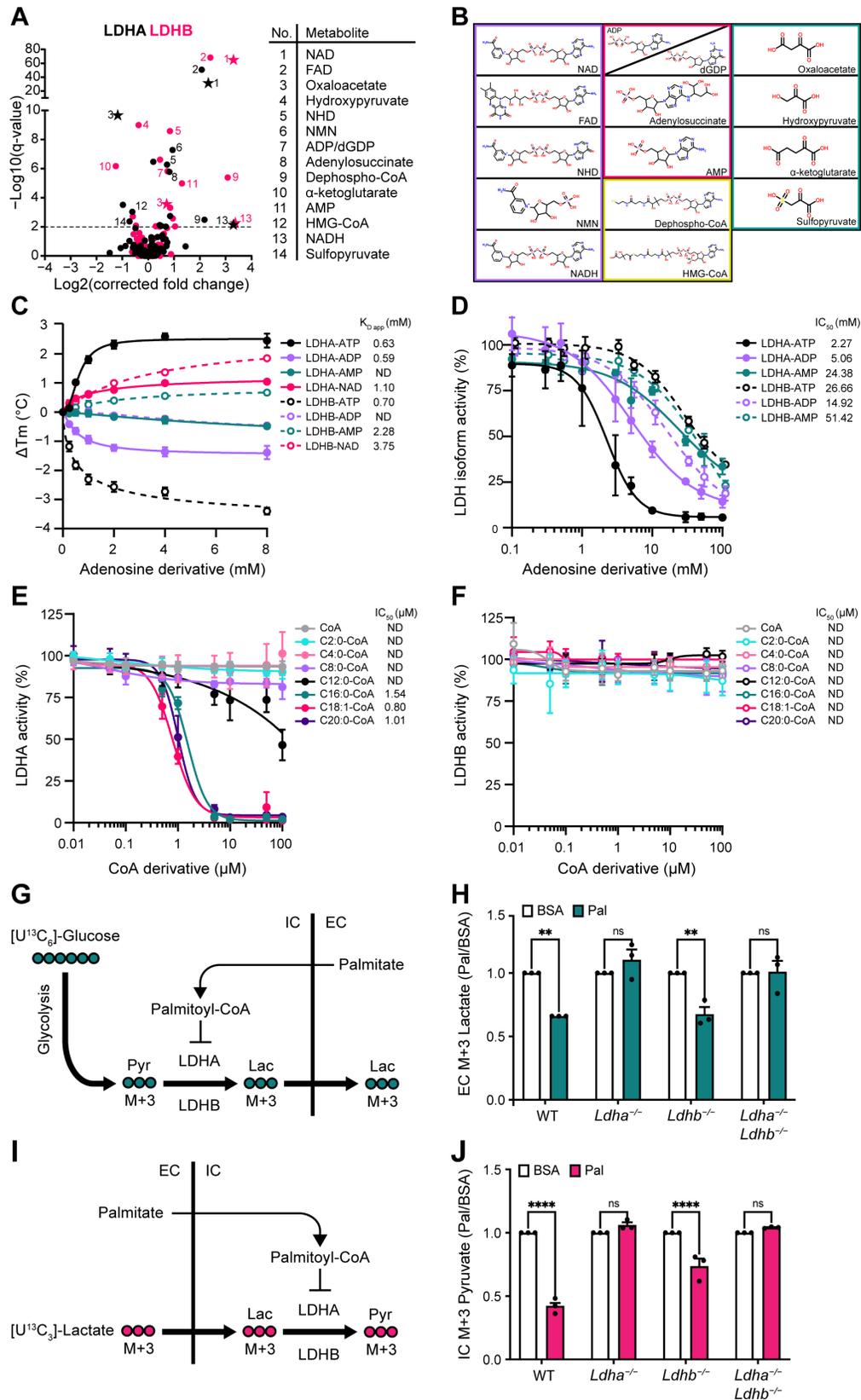
Fig. 3



608 **Figure 3. MIDAS identifies known and previously undescribed metabolite interactions with**
609 **enzymes from human carbohydrate metabolism.**

610 **(A)** Volcano plot of MIDAS metabolite interactions with enolase 1 (ENO1, black) and enolase 2
611 (ENO2, pink). **(B)** Ligand-induced DSF melting point analysis of ENO1 (solid lines, solid circles)
612 and ENO2 (dotted lines, open circles) with 2-phosphoglycerate (2PG, black), phosphoserine (pSer,
613 pink), serine (Ser, teal), phosphotyrosine (pTyr, purple), and phosphate (PO₄, light purple). **(C)**
614 X-ray crystal structure of the pSer-ENO2 complex (PDB 7MBH). pSer (black box), phosphate ion
615 (orange and red spheres), magnesium ion (green sphere), and monomers within the ENO2 dimer
616 (purple and teal) are displayed. **(D)** Magnified view of the ENO2 active site with pSer (pink) or
617 2PG (grey) bound (2PG-ENO2, PDB 3UCC) (53). Secondary structure labeled in the pSer-ENO2
618 (purple) and 2PG-ENO2 (light grey) co-structures. **(E)** Volcano plot of MIDAS metabolite
619 interactions with fumarase (FH). **(F)** Ligand-induced DSF melting point analysis of FH with
620 fumarate (Fum, black) and 2-Amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid (AP-3, pink). **(B and F)** Line of
621 best fit was determined from triplicate experiments each with sextuplicate technical replicates
622 using the specific binding and Hill slope equation from GraphPad Prism 9. Mean \pm SD is plotted
623 from triplicate experiments. **(G)** X-ray crystal structure of the AP-3-FH complex (PDB 7LUB).
624 AP-3 (black boxes), monomers within the FH tetramer (purple, yellow, teal, and light blue). **(H)**
625 Magnified view of the FH active site with AP-3 (pink) or citrate (Cit, grey) bound (*E. coli* Cit-FH
626 structure, light grey, PDB 1FUO) (18). Sidechains that coordinate the AP-3 interaction with FH
627 are labeled and colored according to FH monomer from (G). **(I – N)** Volcano plots of MIDAS
628 metabolite interactions with glucose-6-phosphate isomerase (GPI), 6-Phosphofructokinase,
629 platelet type (PFKP), glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH), pyruvate kinase M2
630 (PKM2), fructose-1,6-bisphosphatase 1 (FBP1, black) and fructose-1,6-bisphosphatase 2 (FBP2,
631 pink), and phosphoglycerate mutase 1 (PGAM1, black) and phosphoglycerate mutase 2 (PGAM2,
632 pink). **(A, E, I – N)** Stars indicate a previously known human PMI primarily sourced from
633 BRENDA (<https://www.brenda-enzymes.org/index.php>). MIDAS analysis of all proteins was
634 performed by triplicate equilibrium dialysis and technical triplicate FIA-MS injections. Specific,
635 significant PMIs identified by MIDAS are labeled (See Table S1 for metabolite abbreviations).
636 Significant PMIs have a q-value < 0.01 (dotted line).

Fig. 4



638 **Figure 4. ATP and long-chain acyl-CoAs inhibit lactate dehydrogenase in an isoform-specific**
639 **manner.**

640 **(A)** Volcano plots of MIDAS metabolite interactions with lactate dehydrogenase A (LDHA, black)
641 and lactate dehydrogenase B (LDHB, pink). Specific, significant metabolites are numbered and
642 labeled. Stars indicate a previously known human PMI primarily sourced from BRENDA
643 (<https://www.brenda-enzymes.org/index.php>). MIDAS analysis of LDHA and LDHB was
644 performed by triplicate equilibrium dialysis and technical triplicate FIA-MS injections. Significant
645 PMIs identified have a q-value < 0.01 (dotted line). **(B)** Metabolite classes that interact with LDHA
646 and LDHB from (A) (nicotinamides and dinucleotides, purple; adenosine nucleotide derivatives,
647 pink; coenzyme A derivatives, yellow; keto acids, teal). **(C)** Ligand-induced DSF melting point
648 analysis of LDHA (solid lines, filled circles) and LDHB (dotted lines, open circles) with adenosine
649 triphosphate (ATP, black), adenosine diphosphate (ADP, light purple), adenosine monophosphate
650 (AMP, teal), and nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD, pink). Apparent dissociation constant
651 ($K_{D \text{ app}}$) was determined from triplicate experiments each with sextuplicate technical replicates by
652 fitting the specific binding and Hill slope equation from GraphPad Prism 9. Mean \pm SD is plotted
653 from triplicate experiments. **(D)** Enzyme activity of LDHA (solid lines, filled circles) and LDHB
654 (dotted lines, open circles) treated with ATP (black), ADP (light purple), or AMP (teal). **(E and**
655 **F)** Enzyme activity of LDHA or LDHB treated with coenzyme A (CoA, grey), acetyl-CoA (C2:0-
656 CoA, cyan), butyryl-CoA (C4:0-CoA, light pink), octanoyl-CoA (C8:0-CoA, light purple),
657 lauroyl-CoA (C12:0-CoA, black), palmitoyl-CoA (C16:0-CoA, teal), oleoyl-CoA (C18:1-CoA,
658 pink), and saturated arachidoyl-CoA (C20:0-CoA, purple). **(D – F)** Half maximal inhibitory
659 concentration (IC_{50}) was determined from triplicate experiments each with triplicate technical
660 replicates using GraphPad Prism 9; ND, not determined. Mean \pm SD is plotted from triplicate
661 experiments. **(G)** Schematic of [$U^{13}C_6$]-glucose metabolism in cells treated with palmitate-
662 conjugated BSA following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate carrier with UK5099.
663 Pyruvate, Pyr; lactate, Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(H)** Fold change of extracellular
664 [$U^{13}C_3$]-lactate collected from the growth media of the indicated H9c2 cell lines in response to
665 treatment with palmitate-conjugated BSA (Pal) relative to BSA-vehicle control. Absolute
666 abundance displayed in Fig. S4H. **(I)** Schematic of [$U^{13}C_3$]-lactate metabolism in cells treated with
667 palmitate-conjugated BSA following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate carrier with
668 UK5099. Pyruvate, Pyr; lactate, Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(J)** Fold change of

669 intracellular [$U^{13}C_3$]-pyruvate in indicated H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-
670 conjugated BSA (Pal) relative to BSA-vehicle control. Absolute abundance displayed in Fig. S4J.
671 **(H and J)** Experiments were performed in triplicate and mean \pm SD are displayed. A two-way
672 ANOVA and Sidak's multiple comparison test (GraphPad Prism 9) was performed between Pal
673 and BSA samples ($p < 0.005$, **; $p < 0.0001$, ****).

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29 **Materials and Methods**

30 MIDAS metabolite library construction and storage

31 The MIDAS metabolite library was constructed by extracting and cross-referencing primary and
32 secondary metabolites from KEGG (1) and HMDB (2), with a focus on endogenous and exogenous
33 compounds that were quantified, detected, or predicted in human metabolism (See Table S1 for
34 metabolite abbreviations). All metabolites used in this study were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich,
35 Cayman Chemicals, Avanti Polar Lipids, Enamine, Combi-Blocks, Inc, or custom sourced using
36 Aldrich Market Select (Data S1). Metabolites were solvated to 10 mM in molecular grade water
37 (Sigma-Aldrich W4502) or DMSO (Sigma-Aldrich D1435) and, where necessary to increase
38 solubility, titrated with acid or base. The MIDAS metabolite library was arrayed 1 mL per well in
39 96-deep well storage plates (Greiner 780280), sealed with aluminum foil seals (VWR 60941-112),
40 and stored at -80°C. When working stocks were needed, metabolites were moved from the deep
41 well storage plates and arrayed, 50 µL per well, across multiple, single-use 384-well small volume
42 storage plates (Greiner 781280), sealed with aluminum foil seals (VWR 60941-112), and stored at
43 -80°C. Metabolite library management and manipulation was conducted on a Beckman Coulter
44 Biomek NXP SPAN-8 liquid handling robot.

46 MIDAS metabolite library validation and pooling

47 Metabolite accurate mass, adduct, ionization, and detection parameters were determined using a
48 flow injection analysis mass spectrometry (FIA-MS) scouting approach to design four defined
49 metabolite screening pools (Data S2, FIA-MS scout). Briefly, 20 pmol of each metabolite from
50 the MIDAS metabolite library was independently assayed in positive and negative mode in
51 technical quadruplicate 1 µL injections with interspersed blank injections. FIA-MS was performed
52 on a binary pump Agilent 1290 Infinity UHPLC system operated with a flow rate of 0.1 mL/min
53 coupled to an Agilent 6550 ESI-QTOF MS. The following mobile phases were used for FIA-MS
54 scouting: 20 mM formic acid pH 3 (Sigma-Aldrich F0507), 10 mM ammonium acetate pH 5
55 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594), 10 mM ammonium acetate pH 6.8 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594), and 10 mM
56 ammonium bicarbonate pH 9 (Sigma-Aldrich 09830). Source conditions consisted of 250°C gas
57 temp, 11 L/min gas flow, 20 psig nebulizer, 400°C sheath gas temperature, 12 L/min sheath gas
58 flow, and 2000 V nozzle voltage. Agilent MassHunter 7 software was used to qualitatively validate
59 and quantify metabolites. The optimal signal for each metabolite was determined by summation

60 integration of the area under the counts per second trace of the extracted ion chromatogram for
61 each metabolite adduct at the various mobile phase pH and instrument polarity. The optimal
62 adduct, pH, polarity, metabolite solvent, and, if necessary, isomer family of each metabolite was
63 considered to construct four unique and defined MIDAS metabolite screening pools (Data S1).

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65 MIDAS protein-metabolite screening

66 The day of MIDAS screening, a number of MIDAS metabolite library 384-well small volume
67 working stock plates, corresponding to the number of proteins to be screened (eight proteins per
68 plate), were defrosted at 30°C for 5 minutes and metabolites were combined *de novo* to generate
69 four predetermined MIDAS screening pools (Data S1). The MIDAS screening pools were prepared
70 in LC-MS grade 150 mM ammonium acetate pH 7.4 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594) and pH-adjusted with
71 ammonium hydroxide (Sigma-Aldrich 338818). The majority of metabolites were prepared to a
72 final screening concentration of 50 µM in the metabolites pools, with a subset at higher or lower
73 concentration dependent on their FIA-MS ionization properties (Data S1). For each metabolite
74 pool, 8 µL of target protein (Data S3) was arrayed in a minimum of a triplicate across a 10 kDa
75 MWCO 96-well microdialysis plate (SWISSCI Diaplate™) and sealed with aluminum foil seals
76 (Beckman Coulter 538619) to create the protein-chambers. To the reverse side, 300 µL of
77 metabolite pool was aliquoted per target protein replicate and sealed with aluminum foil seals
78 (Beckman Coulter 538619) to create the metabolite-chambers. Where necessary, and just prior to
79 screening, proteins provided in alternative buffer systems were *in situ*, sequentially exchanged into
80 150 mM ammonium acetate pH 7.4 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594) on the 96-well microdialysis screening
81 plate (SWISSCI Diaplate™). Loaded dialysis plates were placed in the dark at 4°C on a rotating
82 shaker (120 rpm) and incubated for 40 hours. Post-dialysis, protein- and metabolite-chamber
83 dialysates were retrieved, sample volume normalized, and diluted 1:10 in 80% methanol (Sigma-
84 Aldrich 1060351000) to denature protein, incubated 30 mins on ice, and centrifuged at 3200 x g
85 for 15 mins to remove denatured protein. Processed protein- and metabolite-chamber dialysates
86 were retrieved and arrayed across a 384-well microvolume plate (Thermo Scientific AB-1056),
87 sealed with a silicon slit septum cap mat (Thermo Scientific AB-1171), and placed at 4°C for FIA-
88 MS analysis.

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90 MIDAS flow injection analysis mass spectrometry

91 MIDAS metabolite analyses were performed using FIA-MS, a high-throughput metabolomics
92 approach (3-5). Briefly, MIDAS FIA-MS was performed on a Shimadzu Nexera HPLC system
93 equipped with binary LC-20AD_{XR} pumps and a SIL-20AC_{XR} autosampler coupled to a SCIEX
94 X500R ESI-QTOF MS. Briefly, 2 μ L of each processed protein- and metabolite-chamber dialysate
95 (~10 pmoles per metabolite, depending on metabolite) was injected in technical triplicate with
96 blanks injections interspersed between technical triplicates. Mobile phase flow rate was 0.2
97 mL/min. The following mobile phases were used according to the MIDAS metabolite pool being
98 analyzed: pool 1, 5 mM ammonium acetate pH 5 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594), 50% methanol
99 (Honeywell LC230-4); pools 2 and 4, 5 mM ammonium acetate pH 6.8 (Sigma-Aldrich 73594),
100 50% methanol (Honeywell LC230-4); pool 3, 10 mM formic acid pH 3 (Sigma-Aldrich F0507),
101 50% methanol (Honeywell LC230-4). Pools 1 and 2 were analyzed in positive mode and pools 3
102 and 4 were analyzed in negative mode. Source conditions consisted of 40 psi ion source gas 1 and
103 2, 30 psi curtain gas, 600°C source temperature, and +5500 V or -4500 V spray voltage. Method
104 duration was 1 min. All target proteins for a given metabolite pool and MS method were analyzed
105 together before switching FIA-MS methods. Between FIA-MS methods, the Shimadzu Nexera
106 HPLC system and SCIEX X500R ESI-QTOF MS were equilibrated for 40 min to the next FIA-
107 MS method. Auto-calibration of positive or negative mode was performed approximately every
108 45 mins at the beginning of a protein-metabolite pool batch to control instrument detector. Non-
109 dialyzed MIDAS metabolite pools were assayed at the beginning, middle, and end of each
110 metabolite pool method batch to monitor detector sensitivity.

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112 MIDAS data processing and analysis

113 MIDAS FIA-MS spectra were processed in SCIEX OS 1.6 software using a targeted method to
114 determine metabolite abundances in the protein- and metabolite-chambers. Briefly, raw MS
115 spectra were quantitatively processed in SCIEX OS Analytics 1.6 using the MQ4 peak integration
116 algorithm to quantify metabolite abundance. Metabolite extracted ion chromatograms (XICs) were
117 identified by the intact mass determined from the chemical formula, adduct/charge, and precursor
118 mass as indicated in Data S2 with 0.01 Da XIC width, 0.16 min retention time, 2-point Gaussian
119 smooth width, 1,000 point peak splitting, and 1 min baseline subtraction window. Metabolite
120 abundance was quantified as the integrated area under the XIC counts per second peak trace.
121 Following metabolite quantification, the mean of technical triplicate injections was used to

122 generate a metabolite abundance for each protein- and metabolite-chamber per dialysis replicate.
123 If necessary, up to one dialysis replicate per pool per protein was removed if processing or
124 autosampling technical abnormalities were identified. For each dialysis replicate, \log_2 (fold
125 change) for each metabolite was calculated as the difference between the \log_2 abundance in the
126 protein- and metabolite-chambers. \log_2 (fold change) for non-seperable metabolite isomers (e.g.,
127 L-Leu/L-Ile/L-Allo-Ile, F1,6BP/G1,6BP, etc.) within the same screening pool were collapsed to a
128 single entry prior to further data processing leading to 333 unique metabolite analytes (isomer
129 entries delimited by “/”). Using the replicate protein-metabolite \log_2 (fold change) values as input,
130 a processing method was developed in R (<https://github.com/KevinGHicks/MIDAS>) to filter
131 extreme outliers, correct for non-specific systematic variation and to identify significant protein-
132 metabolite interactions. Briefly, for each dialysis triplicate set, the mean and standard deviation
133 were used to generate z-scores, and up to one outlier was removed using a z-score cutoff of five
134 ($<0.2\%$ of observations). Dialysis replicates were then averaged yielding one mean fold change
135 summary per protein-metabolite pair. To remove fold change variation that was not specific to a
136 given protein-metabolite pair, the first three principal components of the total screening dataset
137 were removed on a per metabolite pool basis by subtracting the projection of the first three
138 principal components, creating \log_2 (corrected fold change). This approach is similar to commonly
139 used methodologies such as surrogate variable analysis (6, 7) that correct for latent variables
140 explaining a large amount of variance in a dataset which is not captured by experimental
141 covariates. PMIs were identified as extreme fold changes relative to each metabolite’s variation
142 across all 158 unique proteins analyzed (36 proteins presented in this study, in addition to 122
143 anonymized proteins). Across proteins, a metabolite’s fold change distribution is a mixture of non-
144 PMIs (which are approximately normally-distributed) and genuine PMIs, which tend to have
145 extreme fold changes. Ideally, we would want to compare each putative PMI to a background
146 distribution of non-PMIs but since these classes are unknown we can instead assume that no
147 metabolite interacts with most proteins and estimate summaries of the overall fold change
148 distribution which should approximate the non-PMI’s “no-signal” variability. To do this we
149 calculate a z-score by comparing each protein-metabolite \log_2 (corrected fold change) to a a no-
150 signal model for that metabolite using measures of the central tendency (median) and standard
151 deviation (extrapolated from the inter quartile range (IQR); i.e., $\sigma = \text{IQR}/1.35$ based on the
152 standard properties of the Normal distribution), which are robust to the signals in the tails of a

153 metabolite's fold change distribution. When signals do exist, the IQR method will overestimate
154 the standard deviation, hence the method is statistically conservative. Protein-metabolite
155 interaction z-scores were compared to the quantiles of the standard Normal distribution to generate
156 p-values and were false-discovery rate controlled using Storey's q-value (8). Protein-metabolite
157 interactions with q-values < 0.01 were considered significant for subsequent analyses. The
158 complete MIDAS protein-metabolite interaction dataset for mTORC1 regulators and enzymes of
159 carbohydrate metabolism can be found in Data S4.

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161 Comparison of MIDAS PMIs to external databases

162 All activators and inhibitors of E.C.-associated MIDAS proteins were obtained from BRENDA
163 using their SOAP API (9). BRENDA ligand identifiers were matched to ChEBI identifiers using
164 UniChem (10). Reactants were defined as the substrates and products of a reaction catalyzed by a
165 specific enzyme as defined in Recon3D (11). Recon3D metabolite ChEBI annotations and
166 enzymes were matched from Entrez to E.C. using the bioconductor org.Hs.eg.db package
167 (Carlson M (2019). org.Hs.eg.db: Genome wide annotation for Human. R package version
168 3.8.2.). BRENDA and Recon3D reports were reduced to one entry per protein-metabolite pair
169 prioritizing reactants from Recon3D for instances where a protein-metabolite pair is present as a
170 substrate in Recon3D and as a regulator in BRENDA. MIDAS protein-metabolite interactions
171 were matched to BRENDA and Recon3D reports based on shared E.C. numbers and ChEBI
172 identifiers. When a MIDAS protein matched multiple E.C. numbers or a MIDAS metabolite
173 matched multiple ChEBI IDs, only a single entry per measured protein-metabolite pair was
174 retained, prioritizing reactants over regulators and regulators over protein-metabolite interactions
175 unreported in BRENDA or Recon3D. Statistical significance was determined by performing a
176 2x2 Fisher's exact test on annotated MIDAS substrates and products or activators and inhibitors
177 relative to MIDAS PMIs unreported in BRENDA and Recon3D.

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179 MIDAS proteins

180 All presented proteins analyzed by MIDAS were prepared and provided by collaborators using
181 common protein expression and purification techniques (Data S3). Proteins were received snap
182 frozen on dry ice from outside sources or on wet ice from local sources and screened immediately
183 upon defrost. Prior to MIDAS screening, protein quality was assessed by 12.5% SDS-PAGE and

184 concentration was determined by A280 on a NanoDrop One UV-Vis spectrophotometer using the
185 molecular weight and extinction coefficient ($M^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$) of each protein construct. Proteins were
186 screened by MIDAS at the concentrations indicated in Data S3.

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188 *Electrum*

189 MIDAS protein-metabolite interaction data for enzymes of carbohydrate metabolism were
190 visualized for intra- and inter-pathway relationships using the publicly available MIDAS data
191 visualization tool, *Electrum*, developed for this study (v0.0.0; [https://github.com/Electrum-](https://github.com/Electrum-app/Electrum/releases/tag/v0.0.0)
192 [app/Electrum/releases/tag/v0.0.0](https://github.com/Electrum-app/Electrum/releases/tag/v0.0.0)), with q-value cutoff < 0.01 , and the 1-D scaling option enabled.

193

194 *Electrum*: database formatting

195 For a given protein-metabolite interaction database for evaluation in *Electrum*, each row of the
196 database should represent a given protein-metabolite interaction. This database should be exported
197 as a tab-delimited file. For each interaction, the metabolite common name and target protein name
198 abbreviation should be given, along with the $\log_2(\text{fold change})$, p-value, and $\log_2(\text{corrected fold}$
199 $\text{change})$ and q-values as determined by the MIDAS data processing method
200 (<https://github.com/KevinGHicks/MIDAS>).

201

202 *Electrum*: metadata curation and integration

203 A Reactome human metabolic network database (12-14) is built by metaboverse-cli (15) by
204 extracting relevant human pathway and reaction dictionaries that act as metadata within various
205 *Electrum* visualization options (https://reactome.org/download/current/all_species.3.1.sbml.tgz).
206 Pathway dictionaries list all reactions annotated within each pathway and reaction dictionaries list
207 the metabolites and other components of each reaction. Databases of protein and metabolite
208 synonyms are output using *Electrum*'s Python utility, "make_entity_dictionary".

209

210 *Electrum*: graph generation

211 An *Electrum* graph is generated using the MIDAS protein-interaction database. For each protein-
212 metabolite interaction, an edge is added with the fold change and statistical values as edge
213 attributes. If a node does not yet exist in the graph for the metabolite and/or protein, one is added.
214 Metabolite and protein synonyms are also added to each node to ensure correct mapping. Database

215 import and graph generation are performed using D3 (<https://d3js.org/>). Single-clicking on a
216 metabolite node will display the pathways and reactions that metabolite is known to participate in
217 based on the Reactome knowledgebase information for the human metabolic network (12-14) as
218 curated by metaboverse-cli as a “.eldb” database (15). Double-clicking on a metabolite node will
219 link the user to the Human Metabolome Database (HMDB) (2) to enable users to explore this
220 resource for further information regarding that metabolite. Users can set the q-value threshold to
221 determine which protein-metabolite interactions to display for a given protein or pathway. Users
222 can also export a generated protein-metabolite graph as a SVG file.

223

224 *Electrum*: edge weighting

225 Edge weights are represented visually using either a combination of the corrected fold changes
226 and q-values (“2-D Scaling”) or the q-values alone (“1-D Scaling”). “2-D Scaling” scales the edge
227 width by interaction q-value and the edge color hue by interaction correct fold change. “1-D
228 Scaling” scales edge color hue by interaction q-value and all edge widths are uniform.

229

230 *Electrum*: pathway and interaction visualization

231 At the time of writing, *Electrum* users have three primary visualization methods, which are
232 described below:

- 233 1. Single target protein interaction network: A user selects a given protein target that has been
234 assayed by MIDAS. All protein-metabolite interactions passing the selected q-value
235 threshold are then displayed.
- 236 2. Intra-pathway interaction network: A user selected a curated metabolic pathway and all
237 proteins from that pathway are displayed. All metabolite interactions involving this
238 pathway's proteins are also displayed if they have been canonically annotated to belong to
239 this pathway.
- 240 3. Inter-pathway interaction network: A user selected a curated metabolic pathway and all
241 proteins from that pathway are displayed. All metabolite interactions involving this
242 pathway's proteins are also displayed whether they have been canonically annotated to
243 belong to this pathway.

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245 *Electrum*: code availability

246 The source code for *Electrum* is available at <https://github.com/Electrum/Electrum-app> under a
247 GPL-3.0 license. *Electrum* relies on the following dependencies: D3 (v5.16.0) (<https://d3js.org/>),
248 d3-ForceEdgeBundling (<https://github.com/upphiminn/d3.ForceBundle>), JQuery (v3.5.1)
249 (<https://jquery.com/>), saveSvgAsPng (v1.4.17) (<https://github.com/exupero/saveSvgAsPng>),
250 streamsaver (v2.0.5) (<https://github.com/jimmywarting/StreamSaver.js>), Reactome (v75) (12-
251 14), and Metaboverse (v0.4.0b) (15).

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253 Differential scanning fluorimetry

254 Thermal differential scanning fluorimetry (DSF) was performed similar to Niesen *et al.* (16).
255 Briefly, DSF thermal shift assays were developed to assess protein melting point (T_m) and thermal
256 stability in the presence of putative small molecule ligands: 2-phosphoglycerate (Sigma-Aldrich
257 73885), phosphoserine (Sigma-Aldrich P0878), phosphotyrosine (Sigma-Aldrich P9405),
258 phosphate (Acros Organics 424395000), fumarate (Sigma-Aldrich 47910), 2-amino-3-
259 phosphonopropionic acid (Sigma-Aldrich A4910), ATP (Sigma-Aldrich A2383), ADP (Sigma-
260 Aldrich 01905), AMP (Sigma-Aldrich A2252), NAD (Sigma-Aldrich N1636), and palmitoyl-CoA
261 (Avanti 870716). Where indicated, DSF experiments were performed using either the standard
262 SYPRO orange fluorescent system or PROTEOSTAT® Thermal shift stability assay kit (ENZO
263 51027). A final concentration reaction mixture of 10 μ L containing 25 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 50
264 mM NaCl, 0.1 mg/mL (SYPRO system) or 0.75 mg/mL (PROTEOSTAT system) target protein,
265 7.5X SYPRO orange (Sigma-Aldrich S5692) or 1x PROTEOSTAT® reagent, and the indicated
266 concentration of putative ligand was arrayed across a MicroAmp™ optical 384-Well reaction plate
267 (Thermo Scientific 4309849) and sealed with MicroAmp™ optical adhesive film (Thermo
268 Scientific 4360954). Protein denaturation was measured in sextuplicate technical replicates for
269 SYPRO orange and PROTEOSTAT experiments with an excitation of 470 nm and emission of
270 580 nm on an Applied Biosystems Quantstudio 7 Flex from 25°C to 95°C at a ramp rate of
271 0.05°C/second. DSF experiments were performed in triplicate. Protein Thermal Shift software 1.4
272 (Applied Biosystems) was used to interpret and determine protein T_m from the first derivative of
273 the fluorescence emission as a function of temperature (dF/dT). A change in ligand-induced
274 protein melting point (ΔT_m) was determined from the difference of the ligand induced T_m and no-
275 ligand control T_m . Apparent binding affinity ($K_{D\text{ app}}$) was determined by fitting the specific binding

276 and Hill slope equation to ΔT_m as a function of ligand concentration in GraphPad Prism 9
277 software.

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279 Fumarase competitive inhibition assay

280 The competitive inhibition of human fumarase activity in the presence of 2-amino-3-
281 phosphonopropionic acid (Sigma-Aldrich A4910) was fluorometrically assessed using a coupled
282 enzyme assay. Briefly, the rate limiting hydration of fumarate to malate by fumarase provides
283 substrate, malate, for excess malate dehydrogenase to generate oxalacetate and NADH. Fumarase
284 reaction rate was assessed at room temperature in triplicate with a final reaction volume of 100 μ L
285 composed of 50 mM Tris-HCl pH 9.4, 0.61 ng/ μ L human fumarase, excess porcine heart malate
286 dehydrogenase (Sigma-Aldrich 442610-M), 1 mM NAD (Sigma-Aldrich N1636), and varying
287 concentrations of fumarate (0 – 40 mM, Sigma-Aldrich 47910) and AP-3 (0 – 10 mM, Sigma-
288 Aldrich A4910). Fumarate and 2-amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid were added simultaneously.
289 The production of NADH was quantified fluorometrically in a black, clear bottomed 96-well plate
290 (Sigma-Aldrich CLS3603) on a Biotek Synergy Neo plate reader with 360 nm excitation and 460
291 nm emission over 10 minutes and fumarase reaction rate was determined from the linear range of
292 increasing NADH signal. A Lineweaver-Burke linear regression and non-linear regression
293 competitive inhibition model of human fumarase between fumarate and 2-amino-3-
294 phosphonopropionic acid were fit using GraphPad Prism 9 software from triplicate competitive
295 inhibition experiments.

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297 Enolase 2 Activity Assay

298 Human enolase 2 (ENO2) activity was measured in the presence of phosphoserine using a coupled
299 enzyme kinetic assay similar to Satani *et al.* (17). Briefly, enolase converts 2-phosphoglycerate to
300 phosphoenolpyruvate and water. Substrate, 2-phosphoglycerate, was provided near the measured
301 Km. Excess pyruvate kinase (PK) / lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) enzymes from rabbit muscle
302 (Sigma P0294), ADP, NADH were added to solution to ensure that dehydration of 2-
303 phosphoglycerate by enolase was the rate-limiting step. Enolase reaction rate was assessed at room
304 temperature in triplicate with a final reaction volume of 100 μ L composed of 50 mM HEPES pH
305 7.4, 0.5 mM MgCl₂, 100 mM NaCl, 1.75 mM ADP, 200 μ M NADH, 12.8 U PK, 18.4 U LDH,
306 0.625 ng/ μ L ENO2, 30 μ M 2PG, with varying concentrations of phosphoserine. 2-

307 phosphoglycerate was used to initiate the coupled enzyme reaction, and the conversion of NADH
308 to NAD by LDH was quantified fluorometrically in a black, clear bottomed 96-well plate (Sigma-
309 Aldrich CLS3603) on a Biotek Synergy Neo plate reader with 360 nm excitation and 460 nm
310 emission over 10 minutes. Enolase reaction rate was determined for the linear range of decreasing
311 NADH signal. IC50 was determined using a sigmoidal, 4PL non-linear regression in GraphPad
312 Prism 9 from triplicate experiments each with technical reaction triplicates.

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314 Enolase X-ray crystallography

315 Crystals of human enolase 2 in complex with the phosphoserine ligand were prepared via hanging
316 drop vapor diffusion at 20 °C. 9 mg/ml human enolase 2 protein solution with 2 mM phosphoserine
317 was pre-incubated on ice for 10 min prior to being mixed in 1:1 ratio (protein:reservoir solution)
318 with 100 mM Bis Tris, 200 mM ammonium acetate and 21% (w/v) PEG 3350 at pH 6.5.
319 Orthorhombic crystals grew within 3 days and were subsequently cryoprotected with 100 mM Bis
320 Tris, 200 mM ammonium acetate, 32% (w/v) PEG 3350 and 2 mM phosphoserine. X-ray
321 diffraction data were collected at the Advanced Photon Source, synchrotron beamline 22-ID,
322 equipped with Si(III) monochromator and EIGER CCD detector. The diffraction data was
323 processed and integrated using iMOSFLM (18). POINTLESS (19) was used to identify the bravais
324 lattice and space group and AIMLESS (20) was used for scaling. The phase information was
325 obtained by molecular replacement using PHASER (21) with a homodimer of human enolase 2
326 (PDB 4ZCW) as the search model. Iterative cycles of manual model building and refinement were
327 performed within Phenix (22) and COOT (23) software. Diffraction data and refinement statistics
328 are summarized in Table S2.

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330 Fumarase X-ray crystallography

331 Human fumarase was produced and purified as previously described (24). The co-crystallization
332 experiments were carried out by using the sitting drop method. Protein solution (4 mg/mL in 50
333 mM Tris-HCl (Sigma-Aldrich), pH 8.5, 150 mM KCl (J.T.Baker) was incubated with 20 mM of
334 2-amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid (Sigma-Aldrich A4910). 2 µL of protein solution was mixed
335 with 2 µL of reservoir solution, and allowed to equilibrate against 500 µl of reservoir solution at
336 21°C. Crystals occur over the course of 3 days in drops where the reservoir contained 100 mM
337 Hepes pH 7.5 (Sigma-Aldrich), 1% v/v 2-methylpentanediol (MPD) (Sigma-Aldrich) and 18%

338 (w/v) PEG 10 K (Sigma-Aldrich) and 25% (v/v) glycerol. Prior to data collection, HsFH crystals
339 were soaked in a cryoprotectant solution (100 mM Hepes pH 7.5, 1% v/v 2-methylpentanediol
340 (MPD), and 18% m/v PEG 10 K, 25% v/v glycerol (Labsynth), harvested with cryo loops, and
341 flash-cooled in liquid nitrogen. The data set was collected at 100 K on a synchrotron facility
342 (MANACA beamline - SIRIUS, Brazil) using a PILATUS 2M detector (Dectris). 3600 frames
343 with an oscillation step of 0.1° were collected using an exposure time of 0.1 s per image with a
344 crystal-to-detector distance of 120.05 mm. The images of X-ray diffraction were processed with
345 XDS (25) package, and the structure of HsFH was solved by molecular replacement implemented
346 in Molrep (26) program, and using the human fumarase structure (PDB 5UPP) (24) as a template.
347 The structure was refined with Refmac5 (27) intercepted with manual map inspection and model
348 building using Coot (23). The quality of the model was regularly checked using MolProbity (28).
349 Diffraction data and refinement statistics are summarized in Table S3. The refined atomic
350 coordinates and structure factors were deposited in the PDB with the accession code 7LUB.

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352 Lactate dehydrogenase activity assay

353 Human lactate dehydrogenase A (LDHA) and lactate dehydrogenase B (LDHB) activity were
354 assessed in the presence of nucleotides and fatty acyl-CoAs using a standard NADH fluorometric
355 assay. Briefly, lactate dehydrogenase reversibly converts lactate and NAD to pyruvate and NADH.
356 With the exception of the competitive inhibition assay, LDHA and LDHB activity assays were
357 operated near the measured K_m values of their substrates and cofactors. Lactate dehydrogenase
358 reaction rate was assessed at room temperature in triplicate with a final reaction volume of 100 μ L
359 composed of 75 mM Tris pH 7.4, 67.2 ng/ml LDHA or 75 ng/mL LDHB, 6.5 mM lactate (Sigma-
360 Aldrich L6402) and 200 μ M NAD (Sigma-Aldrich N1636) for LDHA and 1mM lactate and 1.25
361 mM NAD for LDHB, with varying concentrations of putative ligand, as indicated: ATP (Sigma-
362 Aldrich A2383), ADP (Sigma-Aldrich 01905), AMP (Sigma-Aldrich A2252), CoA (Avanti
363 870701), C2:0-CoA (Avanti 870702), C4:0-CoA (Avanti 870704), C8:0-CoA (Avanti 870708),
364 C12:0-CoA (Avanti 870712), C16:0-CoA (Avanti 870716), C18:1-CoA (Avanti 870719), and
365 C20:0-CoA (Avanti 870720). For competitive inhibition assay, the concentrations of lactate or
366 NAD were varied, accordingly. Unless indicated otherwise, NAD was used to initiate the LDH
367 reaction. For LDH IC_{50} assays utilizing 2,2-dimethyl-palmitoyl-CoA (DiMePal-CoA), the
368 protein concentrations and reaction buffer were the same as above except 60 μ M sodium pyruvate

369 (Sigma Aldrich P2256) was used as substrate and 20 μ M NADH (Sigma-Aldrich 10107735001)
370 was used to initiate the reaction. The production or depletion of NADH was quantified
371 fluorometrically in a black, clear bottomed 96-well plate (Sigma-Aldrich CLS3603) on a Biotek
372 Synergy Neo plate reader with 360 nm excitation and 460 nm emission over 10 minutes and lactate
373 dehydrogenase reaction rate was determined from the linear range of increasing or decreasing
374 NADH signal. IC₅₀ were determined using a sigmoidal, 4PL non-linear regression in GraphPad
375 Prism 9 from triplicate experiments each with technical reaction triplicates. Non-linear regression
376 competitive or non-competitive inhibition modeling of LDHA between lactate or NAD and ATP
377 or palmitoyl-CoA were fit using GraphPad Prism 9 software from triplicate experiments.

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379 Palmitoyl-CoA-Agarose pull-down assay

380 LDHA and LDHB interaction with palmitoyl-CoA was assessed using a pull-down, competitive
381 elution assay. Briefly, 30 μ L per pull-down of palmitoyl-CoA conjugated agarose beads (Sigma-
382 Aldrich 5297) were buffer exchanged into pull-down buffer (75mM Tris HCl pH 7.4). In a final
383 volume of 300 μ L, 0.2 mg/mL of LDHA or LDHB protein were combined with buffer exchanged
384 palmitoyl-CoA agarose beads, a loading control was saved, and the mixture was incubated
385 overnight at 4°C with gentle agitation. Post-incubation, pull-down reactions were washed 5 times
386 in 100 μ L of pull-down buffer and the final wash was saved for analysis. Following the fifth wash,
387 100 μ M of acetyl-CoA or palmitoyl-CoA or equivalent volume of pull-down buffer were added to
388 the reactions and incubated overnight at 4°C. In the morning, the pull-down reactions were
389 centrifuged to pellet beads, the supernatant was collected and concentrated as the eluate fraction,
390 the beads were collected as the bound fraction. All samples were boiled for 5 minutes in 4x
391 Laemmli sample buffer and analyzed by SDS-PAGE.

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393 Tissue culture

394 H9c2 myoblastic cell line (ATCC CRL-1446) was purchased from ATCC and routinely
395 maintained in DMEM media supplemented with 10% FBS and 1% PenStrep in 5% CO₂ and 37°C.
396 Third passage H9c2 cells were used for experimentation and mutant cell line generation.

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398 *Ldha* and *Ldhb* mutant cell lines

399 *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, and *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} knock out H9c2 cell lines were generated using CRISPR-
400 Cas9 to excise the first coding exon of each gene. Single guide modified synthetic sgRNAs were

401 obtained from Synthego and Hifi-Cas9 was obtained from IDT (cat# 1081060). Pairs of
402 ribonucleoprotein (RNP) complexes targeting upstream and downstream of the first coding exon
403 for each gene were co-electroporated using a Lonza 4D Nucleofector system
404 (<https://knowledge.lonza.com/cell?id=1016&search=H9c2>). The N20 sgRNA target sequences
405 used were GAGTGCAACGCTCAACGCCA and TCCACAGGCTTGTGACATAA for *Ldha* and
406 TCCATGCATGTAAAGCACAT and AAGACAGCACAACCTCTATAG for *Ldhb*. Off-targets
407 for these sgRNAs were screened using CasOT (29). Nucleofected cells were plated as single clones
408 and clones were screened for the expected genomic deletion and presence of the WT allele using
409 PCR. Additionally, *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, and *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cells were confirmed at the
410 protein level by Western blot (see [Cell lysate and western blotting](#)).

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412 Cell lysate and western blotting

413 Harvested cells were washed with PBS and lysed in RIPA buffer (50 mM Tris, 150 mM NaCl,
414 0.1% SDS, 0.5% sodium deoxycholate, 1% NP-40) supplemented with protease and phosphatase
415 inhibitors. Protein concentration was quantified with the Pierce BCA Protein Assay Kit. Samples
416 were mixed with 4x sample loading buffer and incubated for 5 min at 95°C. 30 µg of total protein
417 lysate was resolved by SDS-PAGE according to standard procedure at 20 mA per gel and blotted
418 onto a nitrocellulose membrane 0.45 µm (GE Healthcare) via Mini Trans-blot module (Bio-Rad)
419 at a constant voltage (100 V) for 2 h. After blocking with 5% non-fat milk (Serva)/Tris-buffered
420 saline with 0.05% Tween 20 (TBS-T) for 1 hour, the membrane was incubated overnight in 5%
421 bovine serum albumin (Sigma-Aldrich), TBS-T with primary antibody against LDHA (Cell
422 Signaling Technology 2012S, 1:1000), LDHB (Abcam ab240482, 0.1 g/ml), and GAPDH (Cell
423 Signaling Technology 97166, 1:1000). Next day, the membrane was washed with TBS-T and
424 incubated with corresponding fluorophore-conjugated secondary antibody (Rockland
425 Immunochemical RL611-145-002, 1:10000) in 1% non-fat milk/TBS-T for 1 hour. The membrane
426 was then washed again with TBS-T and fluorescence was assessed with Odyssey CLx imaging
427 system (LI-COR Biosciences).

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429 Synthesis of 2,2-dimethyloctadecanoic acid (2,2-dimethylstearic acid)

430 To a solution of 1-bromohexadecane (1.0 g, 3.3 mmol) and ethyl isobutyrate (380 mg, 439 µL,
431 3.28 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was slowly added lithium diisopropylamide (2M in THF, 2.6 mL, 5.2

432 mmol) at -78°C . The reaction mixture was slowly warmed to rt and stirred for 18h. It was then
433 quenched with ice-cooled 1N HCl. The resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate three
434 times. The organic layers were combined, dried, and evaporated. The crude product was purified
435 by a SiO_2 column (0-10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give the desired ethyl 2,2-
436 dimethyloctadecanoate (805 mg, 72%) as a colorless oil. To a solution of ethyl 2,2-
437 dimethyloctadecanoate (751 mg, 2.21 mmol) in THF (12 mL), H_2O (3 mL), and MeOH (3 mL)
438 was added lithium hydroxide (559 mg, 23.3 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 55°C for 48 h. The
439 reaction was then quenched with ice-cooled 1N HCl and extracted with dichloromethane three
440 times. The organic layers were combined, dried, and evaporated. The crude product was purified
441 by a SiO_2 column (0-15% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give the desired product as a white solid
442 (423 mg, 61%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300MHz): δ 1.52 (m, 2H), 1.25 (m, 28H), 1.19 (s, 6H), 0.88 (t,
443 $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75MHz): δ 14.1, 22.7, 24.8, 24.9, 29.4, 29.5, 29.6, 29.7, 29.7, 30.1,
444 32.0, 40.6, 42.1, 184.5.

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446 Synthesis of 2,2-dimethylhexadecanoic acid (2,2-dimethylpalmitic acid)

447 To a solution of 1-bromotetradecane (1.174 g, 4.238 mmol) and ethyl isobutyrate (590 mg, 682
448 μL , 5.09 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was slowly added lithium diisopropylamide (2M in THF, 4.24
449 mL, 8.48 mmol) at 0°C . The reaction mixture was slowly warmed to rt and stirred for 5h. It was
450 then quenched with ice-cooled 1N HCl. The resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate
451 three times. The combined organic layers were then washed with a saturated NH_4Cl solution twice.
452 The organics were dried and evaporated. The crude product was hydrolyzed directly without
453 further purification. To a solution of the aforementioned crude ethyl 2,2-dimethylhexadecanoate
454 in THF (10 mL), H_2O (3 mL), and MeOH (3 mL) was added lithium hydroxide (1.02 g, 42.5
455 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 55°C for 48 h. The reaction was then quenched with ice-cooled
456 1N HCl and extracted with ethyl acetate three times. The organic layers were combined, dried, and
457 evaporated. The crude product was purified by a SiO_2 column (0-15% ethyl acetate in hexanes).
458 For additional purification, the resulting product was then dissolved in a 1M KOH solution. The
459 aqueous phase was washed with ethyl acetate twice and then acidified with a 1N HCl solution. The
460 resulting suspension was extracted with ethyl acetate three times. The combined ethyl acetate
461 layers were dried and evaporated to give the purified 2,2-dimethylhexadecanoic acid as a white
462 crystal (470 mg, 39%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300MHz): δ 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.28 (m, 24H), 1.21 (s, 6H),

463 0.90 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75MHz): δ 14.1, 22.7, 24.8, 24.9, 29.4, 29.5, 29.6, 29.7,
464 29.7, 30.1, 31.9, 40.6, 42.1, 184.6.

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466 Synthesis of the 2,2-dimethylpalmitoyl-CoA conjugate

467 The synthesis and purification of fatty acid-CoA conjugates were modified based on reported
468 methods (30-32). To a solution of 2,2-dimethylpalmitic acid (100 mg, 0.352 mmol) in DCM (5
469 mL) was added N,N'-carbonyldiimidazole (114 mg, 0.703 mmol). The mixture was stirred at rt for
470 2h until the acid was consumed. The reaction mixture was then repeatedly washed with water (5
471 mL \times 4) until the organic layer was no longer cloudy. The organic layer was dried and evaporated
472 to give the crude 1-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)-2,2-dimethylhexadecan-1-one. To this crude product in
473 THF (5 mL) was added Coenzyme A hydrate (40 mg, 0.052 mmol) in a 0.1 M NaHCO_3 aq. solution
474 (5 mL). The mixture was stirred at rt for 18h before quenched with an HCl solution (pH=1, 5 mL).
475 The crude fatty acid-CoA conjugate was precipitated upon the addition of ethyl acetate (~5 mL).
476 The suspension was filtered, and the solid was washed with acetone (10 mL \times 2) and ethyl acetate
477 (10 mL \times 2) to give the desired 2,2-dimethylpalmitic acid-CoA conjugate as a white solid (12 mg,
478 22%). ^1H NMR ($\text{DMSO}-d_6$, 400MHz): δ 8.57 (s, 1H), 8.31 (s, 1H), 8.12 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.76 (t,
479 $J=6\text{Hz}$, 1H), 5.98 (d, $J=5.4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.80 (m, 1H), 4.71 (m, 1H), 4.38 (m, 1H), 4.16 (m, 2H), 3.90
480 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 1H), 3.70-3.43 (br, H_2O), 3.33-3.10 (m, 4H), 2.85 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.25 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$,
481 2H), 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.22 (bm, 24H), 1.13 (s, 6H), 0.95 (s, 3H), 0.85 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 0.73 (s, 3H).
482 HRMS m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{71}\text{N}_7\text{O}_{17}\text{P}_3\text{S}^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 1034.3835, found 1034.3803.

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484 Metabolite extraction

485 The procedures for metabolite extraction from cultured cells are described in previous studies (33-
486 35). Briefly, adherent cells were grown in 10 cm plates in biological triplicate to 80% confluence,
487 medium was rapidly aspirated and cells were washed with cold 0.9% NaCl TC grade (Sigma-
488 Aldrich S8776-100ML) on ice. 3 ml of extraction solvent, 80% (v/v) LC/MS grade methanol/water
489 (Fisher Scientific W6-1, A456-1) cooled to -80°C , was added to each well, and the dishes were
490 transferred to -80°C for 15 min. Cells were then scraped into the extraction solvent on dry ice.
491 Additionally, 300 mL of media was collected and processed from each sample pre and post
492 experiment. All metabolite extracts were centrifuged at 20,000 x g at 4°C for 10 min. Each sample

493 was transferred to a new 1.5 mL tube. Finally, the solvent in each sample was evaporated in a
494 Speed Vacuum, and stored at -80°C until they were run on the mass spectrometer.

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496 [U- $^{13}\text{C}_6$]-Glucose and [U- $^{13}\text{C}_3$]-Lactate labeling with or without palmitate, dimethyl-palmitate or
497 dimethyl-stearate

498 H9c2 cells were grown to 80% confluence in 10 cm plates with standard culture medium at which
499 point 10 μM of the MPC inhibitor UK5099 (Sigma-Aldrich PZ0160-5MG) was added for 48 hours
500 to facilitate lactate production. Cells were subsequently washed with sterile PBS and either free
501 BSA, BSA conjugated to palmitate (Caymen Chemical 29558), or BSA conjugated to either 2,2-
502 dimethyl-palmitate (DiMePal) or 2,2-dimethyl-stearate (DiMeSte) was added to culture media
503 containing either [U- $^{13}\text{C}_6$]-L-glucose, or [U- $^{13}\text{C}_3$]-L-lactate (Cambridge Isotope Laboratories
504 CLM-1396, CLM-1579-PK), supplemented with dialyzed Fetal Bovine Serum (Thermo Scientific
505 A3882001) and incubated for 4 hours. Metabolites were extracted as described above. Data was
506 corrected for naturally occurring ^{13}C isotope abundance before analysis as described in Buescher
507 *et al.* (51). All data expressed as mean \pm SD unless otherwise indicated. Student's t test was used
508 for 2 group comparison. One-Way ANOVA and Sidak's comparisons were used for multigroup
509 comparison. $p < 0.05$ were considered statistically significant. Statistical analyses and graphics
510 were carried out with GraphPad Prism 9 software. Tracing experiments were performed in
511 triplicate.

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513 Triacsin C experiments

514 Triacsin C experiments were performed as previously reported (36), briefly H9c2 cells were
515 pretreated with UK5099 and grown in 100 μM of BSA-conjugated palmitate for 24 hours before
516 being treated with 5 μM of Triacsin C for another 24 hours. Cells were then washed with PBS and
517 acutely treated with either BSA or 400 μM of BSA-palmitate for 4 hours in unlabelled culture
518 media, or media containing [U- $^{13}\text{C}_6$]-L-glucose or [U- $^{13}\text{C}_3$]-L-lactate.

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520 Sample preparation for Acyl-CoA analysis

521 Acyl-CoAs were extracted by adding 100 μl of a methanol/water solution (80/20, v/v) to a cell
522 pellet spiked with 17:0-CoA (400 nM) as internal standard. Samples were thoroughly vortexed,
523 centrifuged at 1600g for 10 min at 4°C , and the supernatant transferred to a new vial for HPLC-

524 MS analysis. Solvents used for extractions and mass spectrometric analyses were of HPLC grade
525 or higher from Burdick and Jackson (Muskegon, MI).

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527 Acyl-CoA LC-MS analysis

528 The cell extracts containing the Acyl-CoA metabolites were analyzed by reverse phase
529 chromatography using a Shimadzu HPLC (Columbia, MD) connected to an API 5000 triple
530 quadrupole mass spectrometer (AB Sciex, Framingham, MA). The samples were resolved using a
531 2 x 150 mm, 2 μ m particle size C8 column (Phenomenex) with a gradient solvent system consisting
532 of solvents (A): water containing 0.1% ammonium hydroxide and (B): acetonitrile containing
533 0.1% ammonium hydroxide at a flow rate of 350 μ l/min. Samples were applied to the column at
534 5% B (0.8 min) and eluted by increasing solvent B from 5% to 55% over 20 minutes and held at
535 5% for 5 min. The gradient was then returned to the starting conditions, and the column re-
536 equilibrated at 5% B for 10 min. The following settings for the mass spectrometer were used:
537 Source temperature 650 °C; ionization spray voltage 5500 V; CAD 5.0 a.u.; Curtain gas 40 a.u.;
538 GS1 55 a.u.; GS2 60 a.u.; EP 10V; CXP 12V DP 80 V CE 35V. Multiple reaction monitoring in
539 positive ion mode was performed following the neutral loss of a common CoA 507 amu fragment.
540 The mass of the endogenous Acyl-CoA species was confirmed using HPLC-coupled to a high-
541 resolution Q Exactive mass spectrometer (Thermo, San Jose, CA).

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543 Metabolomic analysis

544 The levels of metabolites in the H9c2 cells were measured by gas chromatography–mass
545 spectrometry (GC-MS) analysis. All GC-MS analysis was performed with a Waters GCT Premier
546 mass spectrometer fitted with an Agilent 6890 gas chromatograph and a Gerstel MPS2
547 autosampler. Dried samples were suspended in 40 μ L of a 40 mg/mL O-methoxylamine
548 hydrochloride (MOX) in pyridine and incubated for 1 h at 30°C. 10 μ L of N-methyl-N-
549 trimethylsilyltrifluoroacetamide (MSTFA) was added automatically via the autosampler and
550 incubated for 60 min at 37°C with shaking. After incubation 3 μ L of a fatty acid methyl ester
551 standard solution was added via the autosampler. Then 1 μ L of the prepared sample was injected
552 to the gas chromatograph inlet in the split mode with the inlet temperature held at 250°C. A 10:1
553 split ratio was used for analysis. The gas chromatograph had an initial temperature of 95°C for one
554 minute followed by a 40°C/min ramp to 110°C and a hold time of 2 min. This was followed by a

555 second 5°C/min ramp to 250°C, a third ramp to 350°C, then a final hold time of 3 min. A 30 m
556 Phenomex ZB5-5 MSi column with a 5 m long guard column was employed for chromatographic
557 separation. Helium was used as the carrier gas at 1 mL/min. Data was extracted from each
558 chromatogram as area under the curve for individual metabolites. Each sample was first
559 normalized to the added standard d4-succinate to account for extraction efficiency followed by
560 normalization to cell number. Due to this being a broad scope metabolomics analysis, no
561 normalization for ionization efficiency or concentration standards was performed.

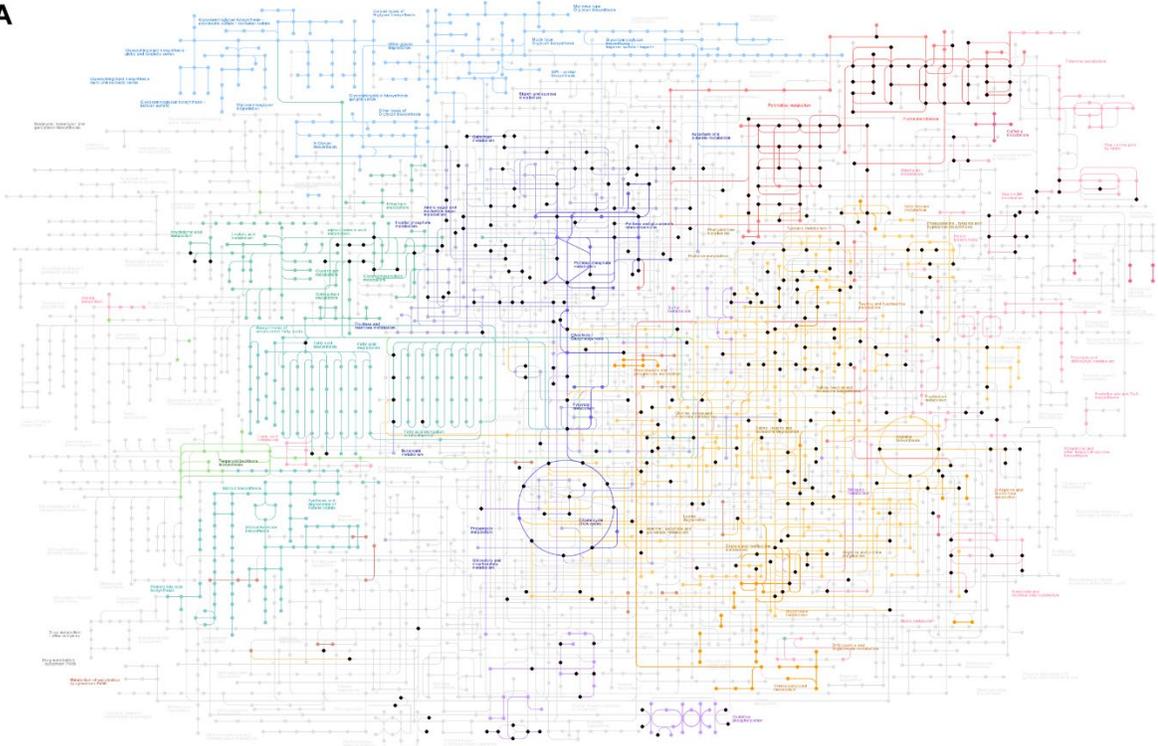
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563 GTEX tissue-expression and DepMap metabolite correlation

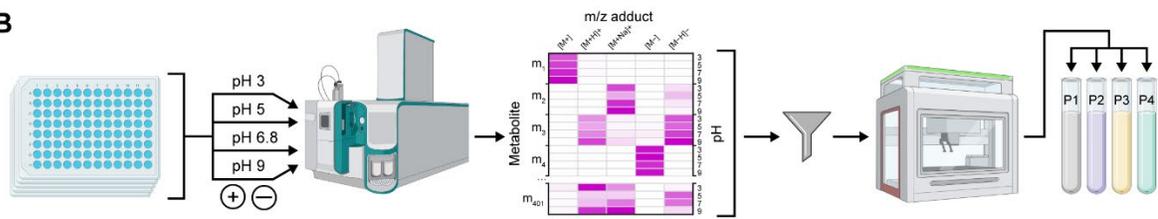
564 GTEX tissue expression data was acquired from the public GTEX portal
565 (<https://www.gtexportal.org/home/>). DepMap expression data was downloaded from DepMap
566 release 21Q3 (CCLE_expression) and metabolomics data was downloaded from DepMap CCLE
567 2019 (CCLE_metabolomics_20190502) (37, 38). Populations of cells with high expression of
568 LDHA and LDHB (LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Hi}) and high expression of LDHA and low expression of LDHB
569 (LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Lo}) were determined based on z-score with LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Lo} cells defined as two
570 standard deviations below the mean. Metabolomics data were split according to LDHA LDHB
571 status and the Spearman correlation was determined for each metabolite against each other
572 metabolite. Spearman correlations were plotted according to rank and acyl-carnitines are indicated.

Fig. S1

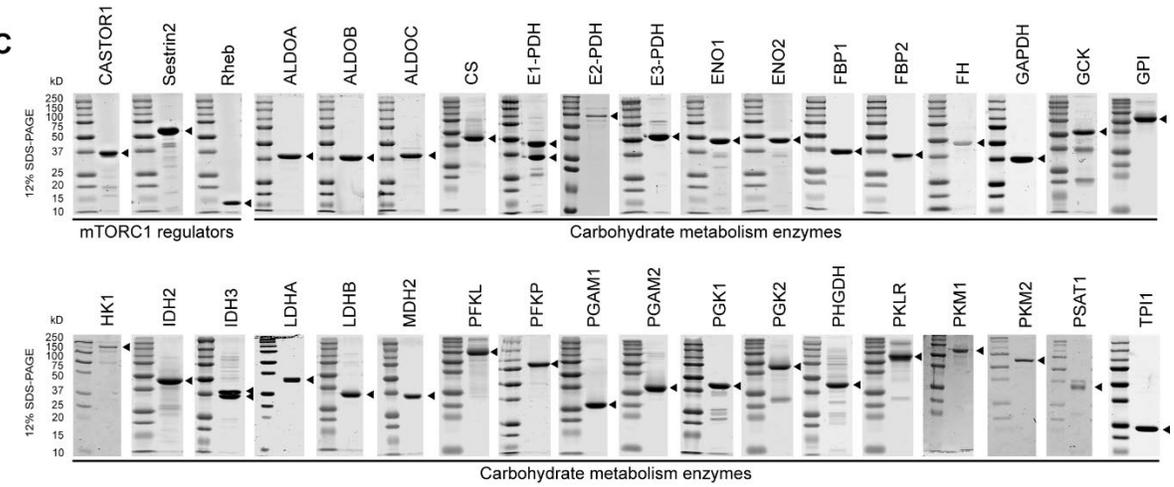
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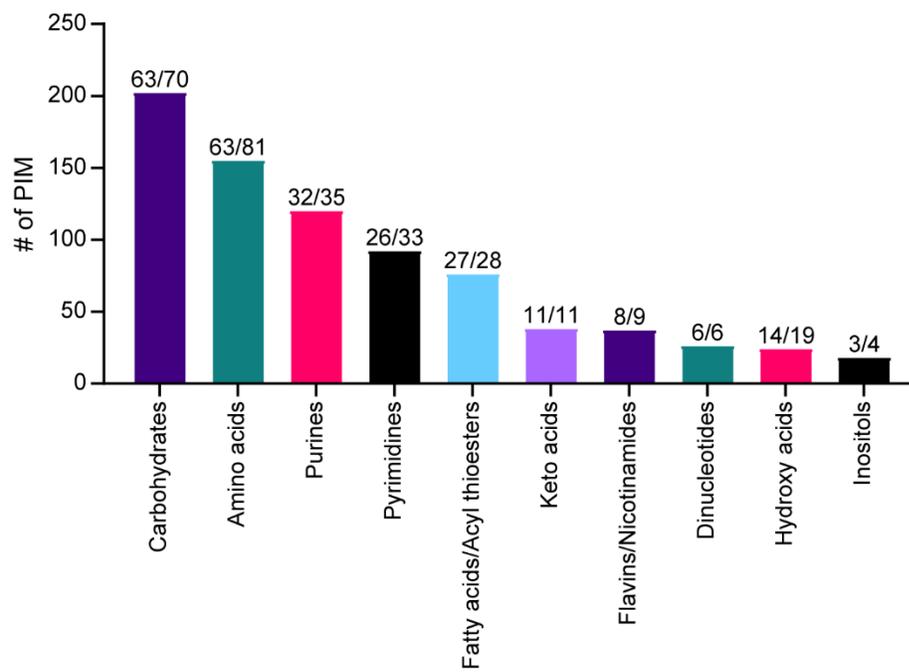


574 **Figure S1. MIDAS metabolite library construction and validation and screened proteins.**

575 **(A)** The MIDAS metabolite library overlaid on KEGG human metabolic pathways
576 (<https://www.genome.jp/kegg/pathway/map/map01100.html>). Human pathways, colored; non-
577 human pathways, light grey. Metabolites from the MIDAS metabolite library, black spheres. **(B)**
578 FIA-MS scouting method to determine optimal MIDAS metabolite pools. Metabolites from the
579 MIDAS metabolite library were arrayed across five 96-well plates in water. Each metabolite was
580 individual analyzed at mobile phase pH 3, 5, 6.8, and 9, in positive and negative mode, by FIA-
581 MS. For each metabolite analyzed by FIA-MS ($m_1 - m_{401}$), accurate mass was verified and optimal
582 signal was determined from the extracted ion chromatogram of each metabolite adduct, mobile
583 phase pH, and polarity (increasing FIA-MS signal is colored white to magenta; Data S2. FIA-MS
584 scout). The optimal FIA-MS signal conditions for each metabolite were manually filtered and
585 binned to program an automated liquid handling method to construct the MIDAS metabolite pools
586 (P1, P2, P3, and P4) according to the specific conditions of metabolite analysis by FIA-MS. **(C)**
587 SDS-PAGE analysis of the purified target proteins analyzed by MIDAS. Target proteins are
588 annotated (arrows). E1-PDH and IDH3 samples are composed of heteromeric protein complexes.
589 mTORC1 regulators and the enzymes from carbohydrate metabolism are labeled.

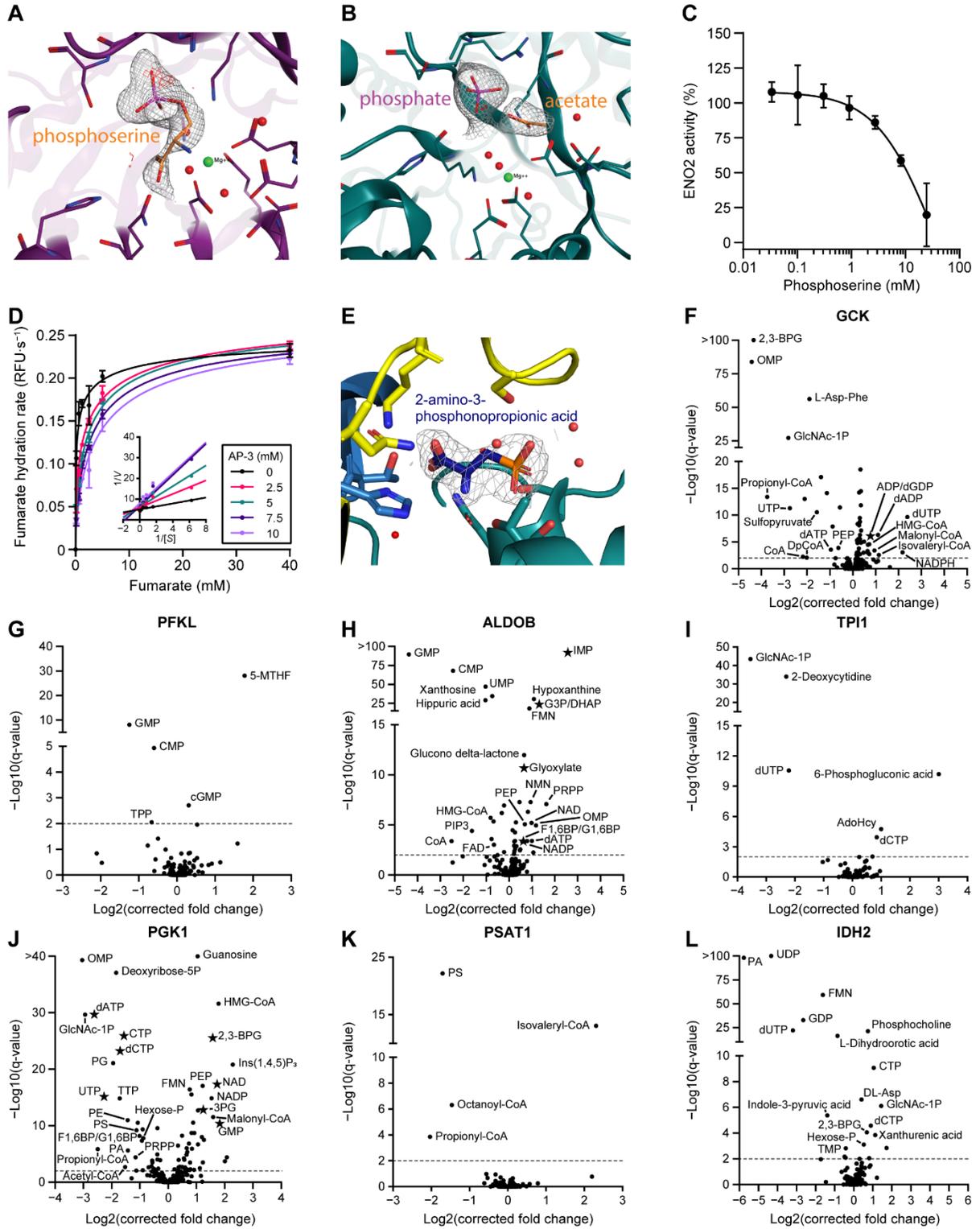
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Fig. S2



592 **Figure S2. Metabolite sub-classes that interact with enzymes in carbohydrate metabolism.**
593 The top ten metabolite sub-classes by total PMI count across 33 enzymes in human carbohydrate
594 metabolism. The values above each column indicate the unique number of metabolites in that sub-
595 class that were identified as PMIs (numerator) and the total number metabolites in that sub-class
596 in the MIDAS metabolite library (denominator). Metabolite sub-classes were modified from
597 HMDB chemical taxonomy sub-class.

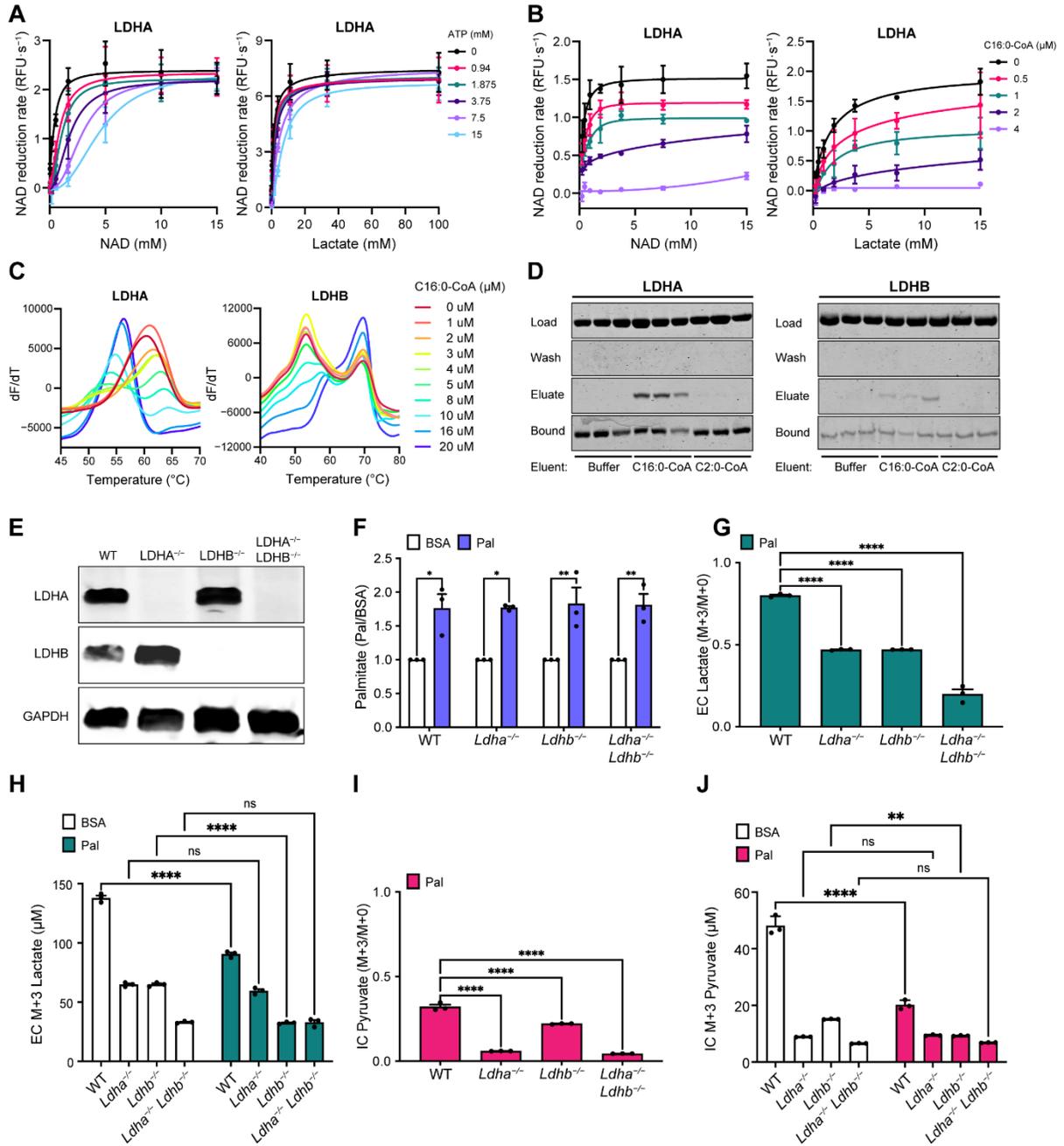
Fig. S3



599 **Figure S3. Metabolite interactions with enolase, fumarase, and other enzymes in**
600 **carbohydrate metabolism.**

601 **(A and B)** Unbiased Fo-FcWT omit map contoured at 2.5σ for the enolase active sites depicting
602 the electron density for (A) the phosphoserine bound to the active site pocket of protomer chain B
603 and (B) the phosphate and acetate ions bound at the active site of protomer chain A. **(C)** Activity
604 of enolase determined in the presence of varying concentrations of phosphoserine. The experiment
605 was performed in triplicate and the mean \pm SD are plotted. Line of best fit determined using the
606 sigmoidal, 4PL non-linear regression in GraphPad Prism 9. **(D)** Relative fumarase activity in the
607 presence of varying concentrations of substrate, fumarate, and 2-amino-3-phosphonopropionic
608 acid (AP-3). (Inset) Lineweaver–Burk plot demonstrating competitive inhibition. The experiment
609 was performed in triplicate and the mean \pm SD are plotted. Lines of best fit determined using the
610 non-linear regression competitive inhibition model from GraphPad Prism 9. **(E)** Mesh
611 representation of the final 2Fo–Fc electron density map contoured at 1.0σ level (gray) for 2-amino-
612 3-phosphonopropionic acid (blue) in the human fumarase active site. **(F – L)** Volcano plots of
613 MIDAS metabolite interaction with glucokinase (GCK), liver 6-phosphofructokinase (PFKL),
614 aldolase B (ALDOB), triosephosphate isomerase (TPI1), phosphoglycerate kinase 1 (PGK1),
615 phosphoserine aminotransferase 1 (PSAT1), and NADP-dependent isocitrate dehydrogenase 2
616 (IDH2). Stars indicate a previously known human PMI primarily sourced from BRENDA
617 (<https://www.brenda-enzymes.org/index.php>). MIDAS analysis of all proteins was performed by
618 triplicate equilibrium dialysis and technical triplicate FIA-MS injections. Specific, significant
619 PMIs identified by MIDAS are labeled and have a q-value < 0.01 (dotted line).

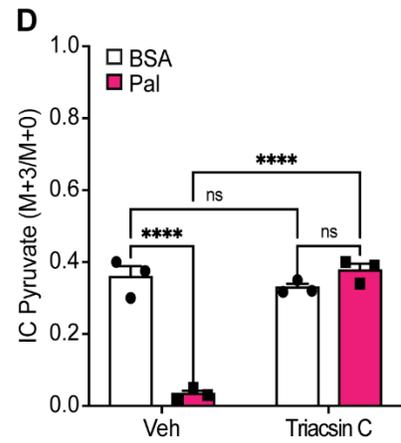
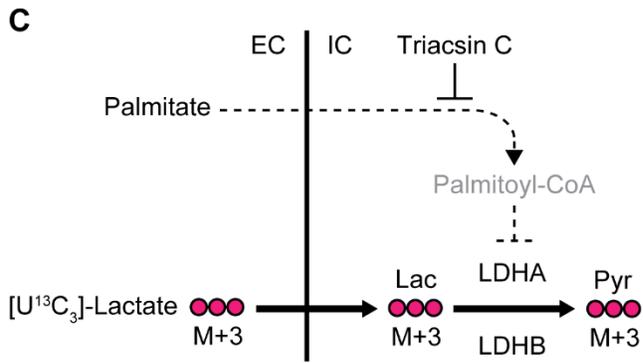
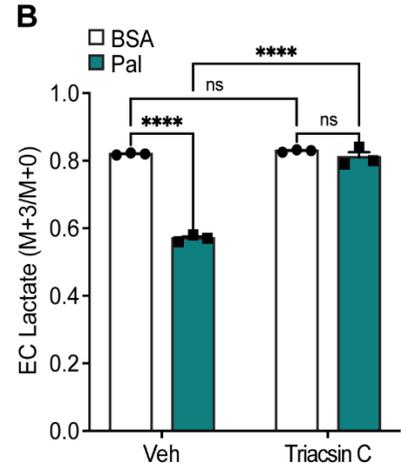
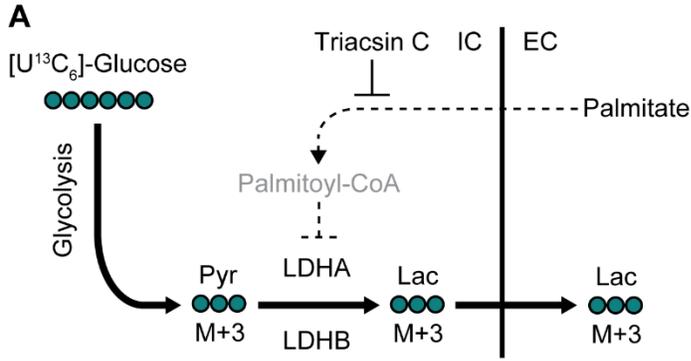
Fig. S4



621 **Figure S4. Lactate dehydrogenase interacts with and is inhibited by nucleotides and long-**
622 **chain acyl-CoA.**

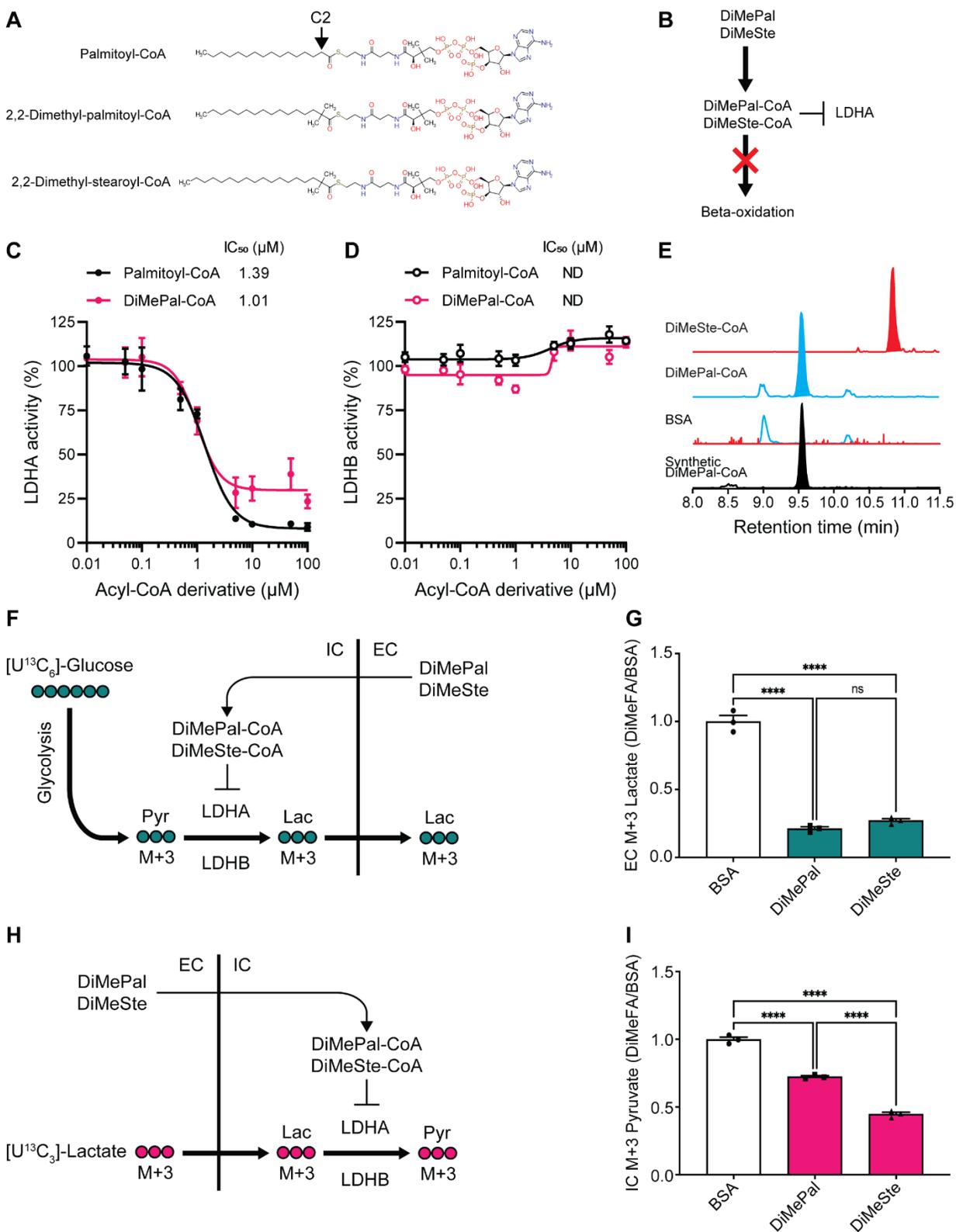
623 **(A)** Relative LDHA activity was determined in the presence of varying concentrations of substrate,
624 NAD or lactate, and ATP. Experiments were performed in triplicate and the mean \pm SD are plotted.
625 Non-linear regression competitive inhibition modeling were fit using GraphPad Prism 9 software.
626 **(B)** Relative LDHA activity was determined in the presence of varying concentrations of substrate,
627 NAD or lactate, and palmitoyl-CoA (C16:0-CoA). Experiments were performed in triplicate and
628 the mean \pm SD are plotted. Non-linear regression non-competitive inhibition modeling were fit
629 using GraphPad Prism 9 software. **(C)** LDHA and LDHB were analyzed by PROTEOSTAT DSF
630 in the presence of increasing concentrations of C16:0-CoA. dF/dT was determined as a function
631 of temperature. Representative experiments from triplicate experiments each with sextuplicate
632 technical replicates are presented. **(D)** Palmitoyl-CoA-Agarose pull-down assay with LDHA or
633 LDHB treated with buffer control, C16:0-CoA, or acetyl-CoA (C2:0-CoA) (Eluent). Protein input
634 (Load), post-5x wash (Wash), concentrated supernatant post-eluent treatment (Eluate), protein
635 bound to palmitoyl-CoA-agarose beads post-eluent treatment (Bound). The experiment was
636 performed in technical triplicate. **(E)** Representative immunoblot of LDHA and LDHB in the
637 indicated H9c2-derived cell lines. **(F)** Fold change of intracellular palmitate in *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-},
638 or *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-conjugated BSA (Pal)
639 relative to BSA-vehicle control (BSA). **(G)** Changes in ¹³C enrichment of extracellular lactate in
640 *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, or *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-
641 conjugated BSA. **(H)** Concentration of ¹³C-labelled extracellular lactate in *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, or
642 *Ldha*^{-/-}; *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cell lines in response to BSA-vehicle control (BSA) or palmitate-
643 conjugated BSA (Pal) treatment. **(I)** Changes in intracellular ¹³C enrichment of pyruvate in
644 *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, or *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-
645 conjugated BSA. **(J)** Concentration of intracellular ¹³C-labelled pyruvate in *Ldha*^{-/-}, *Ldhb*^{-/-}, or
646 *Ldha*^{-/-} *Ldhb*^{-/-} H9c2 cell lines in response to BSA vehicle control (BSA) or palmitate-conjugated
647 BSA (Pal) treatment. **(F – J)** All experiments were performed in triplicate. Data are presented as
648 mean \pm SD. *p < 0.05, **p < 0.01, ***p < 0.001, ****p < 0.0001, determined by one-way
649 ANOVA and Sidak's multiple comparison test.

Fig. S5



651 **Figure S5. Inhibition of acyl-CoA synthase prevents inhibition of LDHA by palmitate.**
652 **(A)** Schematic of [$^{13}\text{C}_6$]-glucose metabolism in cells treated with acyl-CoA synthase inhibitor,
653 triacsin C, and palmitate-conjugated BSA following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate
654 carrier with UK5099. Pyruvate, Pyr; lactate, Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(B)** Changes
655 in ^{13}C enrichment of extracellular lactate in H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-
656 conjugated BSA and triacsin C. Vehicle (Veh) indicates no triacsin C treatment. **(C)** Schematic of
657 [$^{13}\text{C}_3$]-lactate metabolism in cells treated with acyl-CoA synthase inhibitor, triacsin C, and
658 palmitate-conjugated BSA (Pal) following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate carrier with
659 UK5099. Pyruvate, Pyr; lactate, Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(D)** Changes in ^{13}C
660 enrichment of intracellular pyruvate in H9c2 cell lines in response to treatment with palmitate-
661 conjugated BSA (Pal) and triacsin C. Vehicle (Veh) indicates no triacsin C treatment. **(B and D)**
662 Experiments were performed in triplicate and mean \pm SD are displayed. One-way ANOVA and
663 Sidak's multiple comparison test was performed between Pal and BSA samples with and without
664 triacsin C ($p < 0.0001$, ****; non-significant, ns).

Fig. S6

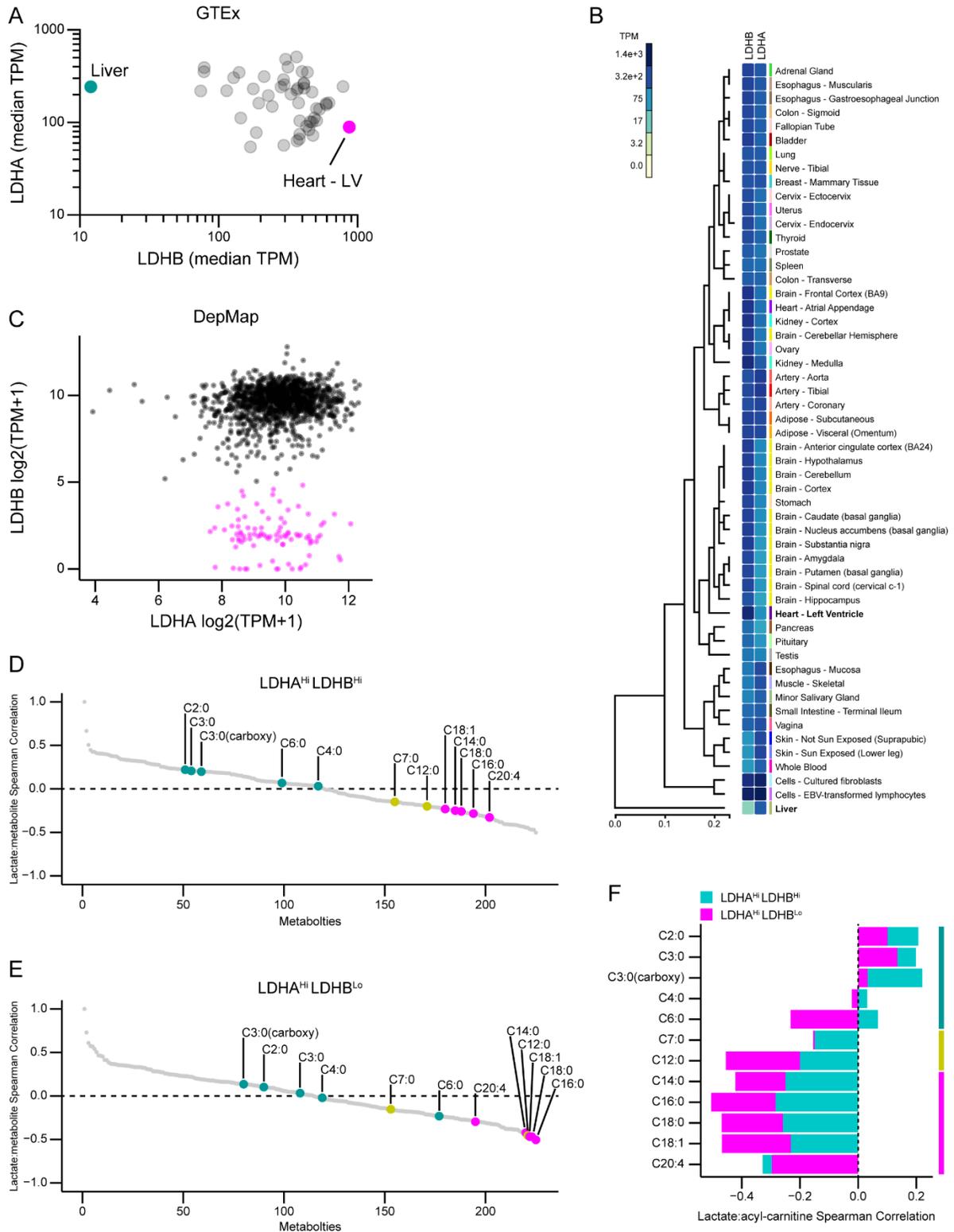


666 **Figure S6. LDHA is inhibited by non-oxidizable long-chain acyl-CoA analogs.**

667 **(A)** Palmitoyl-CoA and the non-oxidizable, long-chain acyl-CoA analogs, 2,2-dimethyl-
668 palmitoyl-CoA (DiMePal-CoA) and 2,2-dimethyl-stearoyl-CoA (DiMeSte-CoA). Dimethylated
669 C2 carbon position indicated (C2 arrow). **(B)** Schematic of dimethyl-palmitate (DiMePal) and
670 dimethyl-stearate (DiMeSte) metabolism. DiMePal and DiMeSte are esterified to CoA by
671 intracellular acyl-CoA synthase to generate DiMePal-CoA and DiMeSte-CoA. DiMePal-CoA and
672 DiMeSte-CoA inhibit LDHA and cannot be utilized as substrates in fatty acid beta-oxidation. **(C**
673 **and D)** Enzyme activity of LDHA (filled circles) or LDHB (open circles) treated with palmitoyl-
674 CoA (black) or DiMePal-CoA (pink). Half maximal inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) was
675 determined from triplicate experiments each with technical triplicates using GraphPad Prism 9;
676 ND, not determined. Mean ± SD is displayed from triplicate experiments. **(E)** LC-MS/MS shows
677 the endogenous formation of DiMeSte-CoA and DiMePal-CoA in H9c2 cells treated with
678 DiMeSte-conjugated BSA or DiMePal-conjugated BSA, respectively. No peaks were detected in
679 BSA treated cells. Endogenous DiMePal-CoA co-eluted with synthetic DiMePal-CoA used in (C
680 and D). **(F)** Schematic of [U¹³C₆]-glucose metabolism in cells treated with DiMePal or DiMeSte
681 following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate carrier with UK5099. Pyruvate, Pyr; lactate,
682 Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(G)** Fold change of extracellular [U¹³C₃]-lactate from
683 H9c2 cells in response to treatment with DiMePal- or DiMeSte-conjugated BSA relative to BSA-
684 vehicle control. **(H)** Schematic of [U¹³C₃]-lactate metabolism in cells treated with DiMePal or
685 DiMeSte following inhibition of the mitochondrial pyruvate carrier with UK5099. Pyruvate, Pyr;
686 lactate, Lac; IC, intracellular; EC, extracellular. **(I)** Fold change of intracellular [U¹³C₃]-pyruvate
687 from H9c2 cells in response to treatment with DiMePal- or DiMeSte-conjugated BSA relative to
688 BSA-vehicle control. **(G and I)** Experiments were performed in triplicate and mean ± SD are
689 displayed. One-way ANOVA and Sidak's multiple comparison test was performed between
690 DiMePal-, DiMeSte-, and BSA-treated samples (p < 0.0001, ****; non-significant, ns).

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Fig. S7



693 **Figure S7. LDH tissue expression differences correlate with the lactate:acyl-carnitine ratio.**
694 **(A)** Scatter plot depicting median transcripts per million (TPM) for LDHA and LDHB across
695 human tissues. **(B)** Heatmap depicting median TPM for LDHA and LDHB across human tissues.
696 **(A and B)** Data obtained through GTEx Portal (<https://www.gtexportal.org/home/>). **(C)** LDHA
697 and LDHB expression (TPM) across the 928 cancer cell lines from DepMap (37, 38). Cells
698 expressing high LDHA and LDHB (LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Hi}), black; cells expressing high LDHA and
699 low LDHB (LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Lo}), magenta. **(D)** Spearman correlation of lactate to all measured
700 metabolites from DepMap for LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Hi} cells. **(E)** Spearman correlation of lactate to all
701 measured metabolites from DepMap for LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Lo} cells. **(D and E)** short- (teal), medium-
702 (yellow), and long-chain (magenta) acyl-carinitines are labeled according to their acyl chain
703 composition. **(F)** Overlapped spearman correlations of lactate:acyl-carnitines for LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Hi}
704 and LDHA^{Hi} LDHB^{Lo} cells from (D) and (E). (Right) Short- (teal), medium- (yellow), and long-
705 chain (magenta) acyl-carinitines are indicated adjacent.

706 **Table S1. Metabolite abbreviations.**

Metabolite abbreviation	Metabolite name
1,3-BPG	1,3-bisphosphoglycerate
2,3-BPG	2,3-Diphospho-D-glyceric acid
2PG	2-phosphoglycerate
3,5-Diiodo-L-Tyr	3,5-Diiodo-L-Tyrosine
3PG	D-3-Phosphoglyceric acid
3-PHP	Phosphohydroxypyruvic acid
5-MTHF	5-methyltetrahydrofolic acid
AdoHcy	S-(5-Adenosyl)-L-homocysteine
ADP	Adenosine diphosphate
AMP	Adenosine monophosphate
AP-3	DL-2-Amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid
AP3A	Diadenosine triphosphate
ATP	Adenosine triphosphate
C12:0-CoA	Lauroyl coenzyme A
C16:0-CoA	Palmitoyl coenzyme A
C18:1-CoA	Oleoyl coenzyme A
C2:0-CoA	Acetyl coenzyme A
C20:0-CoA	Arachidonoyl coenzyme A
C4:0-CoA	Butyryl coenzyme A
C8:0-CoA	Octanoyl coenzyme A
cAMP	cyclic adenosine monophosphate
CDP	Cytidine 5-diphosphate
cGMP	cyclic guanosine monophosphate
Cit	Citrate
CMP	Cytidine monophosphate
CoA	Coenzyme A
CTP	Cytidine 5-triphosphate
dADP	Deoxyadenosine diphosphate
dAMP	Deoxyadenosine monophosphate
dATP	2-Deoxyadenosine 5-triphosphate
dCMP	2-Deoxy-5-cytidylic acid
dCTP	Deoxycytidine triphosphate
Deoxyribose-5P	2-Deoxyribose-5-phosphate
dGDP	2-Deoxyguanosine 5-diphosphate
dGMP	Deoxyguanylate
DHAP	Dihydroxyacetone phosphate, Glycerone phosphate
DiMePal	2,2-Dimethyl-palmitate
DiMeSte	2,2-Dimethyl-stearate
DiMePal-CoA	2,2-Dimethyl-palmitoyl coenzyme A
DiMeSte-CoA	2,2-Dimethyl-stearoyl coenzyme A

DL-Asp	DL-Aspartate
DpCoA	Dephosphocoenzyme A
dUTP	Deoxyuridine triphosphate
F1,6BP	D-Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate
F6P	D-Fructose 6-phosphate
FAD	Flavin adenine dinucleotide
FMN	Riboflavin 5-monophosphate
Fum	Fumarate
G1,6BP	D-Glucose 1,6-bisphosphate
G3P	D-Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate
G6P	D-Glucose 6-phosphate
GDP	Guanosine 5-diphosphate
GlcN-6P	D-Glucosamine 6-phosphate
GlcNAc-1P	N-Acetyl-D-glucosamine 1-phosphate
GlcNAc-6P	N-Acetyl-D-glucosamine 6-phosphate
Glycerol-3P	D-Glycerol 1-phosphate
GMP	Guanosine 5-monophosphate
GTP	Guanosine 5-triphosphate
Hexose-P	D-Fructose 6-phosphate, D-Galactose 1-phosphate, D-Glucose 1-phosphate, D-Glucose 6-phosphate, D-Mannose 1-phosphate, D-Mannose 6-phosphate
HMG-CoA	3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl coenzyme A
IMP	Inosine 5-monophosphate
Ins(1,4,5)P3	D-myo-Inositol-1,4,5-triphosphate
L-5-HTP	5-Hydroxy-L-tryptophan
Lac	L-Lactic acid
L-Allo-Ile	L-Alloisoleucine
L-Asp-Phe	L-a-Aspartyl-L-phenylalanine
L-Ile	L-Isoleucine
L-Leu	L-Leucine
NAD	Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide
NADH	Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, reduced
NADP	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate
NHD	Nicotinamide hypoxanthine dinucleotide
NMN	Nicotinamide ribotide
OMP	Orotidine 5-monophosphate
PA	Phosphatidic Acid
PAP	Adenosine 3,5-diphosphate
PAPS	3-Phosphoadenosine 5-phosphosulfate
P-Creatine	Phosphocreatine
PE	Phosphatidylethanolamine
Pentose-P	D-Ribose 1-phosphate, D-Ribose 5-phosphate, D-Xylulose 5-phosphate
PEP	Phosphoenolpyruvic acid
PG	Phosphatidylglycerol

Phe	L-Phenylalanine
PIP2	Phosphatidylinositol-4,5-bisphosphate C-6
PIP3	Phosphatidylinositol-3,4,5-triphosphate C-6
PRPP	5-Phospho-D-ribose 1-diphosphate
PS	Phosphatidylserine
pSer	O-Phospho-L-serine, Phosphoserine
pTyr	O-Phosphotyrosine, Phosphotyrosine
Pyr	Pyruvate
Sedo-7P	D-Sedoheptulose 7-phosphate
Ser	L-Serine
Succ-AMP	Adenylosuccinic acid
Tag-6P	D-Tagatose 6-phosphate
Thr	L-Threonine
TMP	Thymidine monophosphate
TPP	Thiamine pyrophosphate
Trp	L-Tryptophan
TTP	Thymidine 5-triphosphate
UDP	Uridine 5-diphosphate
UMP	Uridine monophosphate
UTP	Uridine 5-triphosphate
Val	L-Valine
XMP	Xanthosine 5-monophosphate

708 **Table S2. Phosphoserine-ENO2 data collection and refinement statistics.**

Wavelength (Å)	1.00000
Resolution range (Å)	39.89 - 2.10 (2.175 - 2.10)*
Space group	P 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
Unit cell (Å)	68.05 108.38 117.93
(°)	90, 90, 90
Total reflections	2,203,993 (188,723)*
Unique reflections	50,504 (4,644)*
Multiplicity	43.6 (38.5)*
Completeness (%)	96.58 (90.06)*
Mean I/sigma(I)	20.52 (1.92)*
Wilson B-factor(Å ²)	26
R-merge	0.91 (3.46)*
R-meas	0.92 (3.51)*
R-pim	0.14 (0.56)*
CC1/2	0.931 (0.539)*
CC*	0.982 (0.837)*
Reflections used in refinement	49,880 (4,573)*
Reflections used for R-free	2,482 (226)*
R-work	0.180 (0.271)*
R-free	0.235 (0.326)*
CC(work)	0.849 (0.706)*
CC(free)	0.841 (0.649)*
Number of non-hydrogen atoms	7008
macromolecules	6666
phosphate	5
magnesium	2
acetate	4
ethylene glycol	12
polyethylene glycol	10
phosphoserine	11
solvent	298
Protein residues	870
RMS(bonds)(Å)	0.007
RMS(angles)(°)	0.88
Ramachandran favored (%)	96.88
Ramachandran allowed (%)	2.89
Ramachandran outliers (%)	0.23
Rotamer outliers (%)	1.85
Clashscore	4.72
Average B-factor(Å ²)	30
macromolecules	30
phosphate	35
magnesium	27
acetate	39

ethylene glycol	46
polyethylene glycol	46
phosphoserine	47
solvent	33

709 *Statistics for the highest-resolution shell are shown in parentheses.

710 **Table S3. AP-3-fumarase data collection and refinement statistics.**

Wavelength (Å)	1.323630
Resolution range (Å)	49.80 - 2.15 (2.20 - 2.15)*
Space group	P 6 ₅ 2 2
Unit cell (Å)	190.90, 190.90, 116.24
(°)	90, 90, 120
Total reflections	2,660,677 (178,767)*
Unique reflections	67,921 (4,478)*
Multiplicity	39.2 (39.9)*
Completeness (%)	100 (100)*
Mean I/sigma(I)	15.0 (1.1)*
Wilson B-factor	43
R-merge	0.25 (4.82)*
R-meas	0.26 (4.95)*
R-pim	0.06 (1.09)*
CC1/2	0.999 (0.458)*
CC*	-
Reflections used in refinement	67,877
Reflections used for R-free	3,399
R-work	0.186(0.310)*
R-free	0.209(0.330)*
CC(work)	0.965(0.641)*
CC(free)	0.955(0.675)*
Number of non-hydrogen atoms	7191
macromolecules	6847
ligands	44
solvent	300
Protein residues	922
RMS deviations (bonds)	0.0031
RMS deviations (angles)	1.266
Ramachandran favored (%)	96.82
Ramachandran allowed (%)	3.18
Ramachandran outliers (%)	0.00
Rotamer outliers (%)	0.84
Clashscore	2.92
Average B-factor	52
macromolecules	52
2-amino-3-phosphonopropionic acid	52
glycerol	56
solvent	51

711 *Statistics for the highest-resolution shell are shown in parentheses.

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- 713 **Data S1. MIDAS metabolite library**
- 714 **Data S2. FIA-MS properties of MIDAS metabolites**
- 715 **Data S3. MIDAS proteins**
- 716 **Data S4. MIDAS protein-metabolite interactions**

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