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#### 27 ABSTRACT

28 Natural environments are receiving an increasing number of contaminants. Therefore, the 29 evaluation and identification of early responses to pollution in these complex habitats is an 30 urgent and challenging task. Doñana National Park (DNP, SW Spain) has been widely used as a 31 model area for environmental studies because, despite its strictly protected core, it is 32 surrounded by numerous threat sources from agricultural, mining and industrial activities. 33 Since many pollutants often induce oxidative stress, redox proteomics was used to detect 34 redox-based variations within the proteome of Mus spretus mice captured in DNP and the 35 surrounding areas. Functional analysis showed that most differentially oxidized proteins are 36 involved in the maintenance of homeostasis, by eliciting mechanisms to respond to toxic 37 substances and oxidative stress, such as antioxidant and biotransformation processes, immune 38 and inflammatory responses, and blood coagulation. Furthermore, changes in the overall 39 protein abundance were also analysed by label-free quantitative proteomics. The 40 upregulation of phase I and II biotransformation enzymes in mice from Lucio del Palacio may 41 be an alert for organic pollution in the area located at the heart of DNP. Metabolic processes 42 involved in protein turnover (proteolysis, amino acid catabolism, new protein biosynthesis and 43 folding) were activated in response to oxidative damage to these biomolecules. Consequently, 44 aerobic respiratory metabolism increased to address the greater ATP demands. Alterations of 45 cholesterol metabolism that could cause hepatic steatosis were also detected. The proteomic 46 detection of globally altered metabolic and physiological processes offers a complete view of 47 the main biological changes caused by environmental pollution in complex habitats.

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50 near an environmentally protected area

#### 51 **1. Introduction**

52 The extensive occurrence of pollution and its (ir)reversible damage to the ecosystems has 53 become a common concern that requires urgent actions. The increasing release of contaminants may endanger the homeostasis of living-beings and threaten human health 54 55 (Alhama Carmona et al., 2017; Pueyo et al., 2011). Frequently, environmental risk assessment 56 is inferred from studies using acute exposure to one or a few toxins in laboratory-controlled 57 experiments (Alhama et al., 2018; Morales-Prieto and Abril, 2017). However, in nature, 58 organisms are usually exposed over long periods to multiple chemicals, which can also interact 59 with each other and their effects may be affected by various biotic/abiotic factors. Chemical analysis, although useful in determining body-burdens, do not provide information about the 60 61 biological effects of contaminants (López-Barea, 1995). Evaluating and identifying early 62 responses to pollution in complex natural environments is an urgent and challenging task. 63 Doñana National Park (DNP) is a relevant wildlife reserve of great ecological value located in 64 SW Spain. It is considered one of the most important natural protected areas in Europe. Furthermore, this location has been used as a model spot for environmental studies because it 65 contains a presumably clean core site that has been strictly protected and is surrounded by 66 67 areas that are exposed to numerous threats due to agricultural, mining and industrial 68 undertakings (Abril et al., 2015; Abril et al., 2014; Abril et al., 2011; Bonilla-Valverde et al., 69 2004; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Fernandez-Cisnal et al., 2017; Garcia-Sevillano et al., 2014; 70 García-Sevillano et al., 2012; Ruíz-Laguna et al., 2001; Ruiz-Laguna et al., 2016; Vioque-71 Fernández et al., 2009; Vioque-Fernández et al., 2007). Previous studies from our group have 72 identified the presence of several pollutants threatening the area, such as prevailing metals 73 and pesticides. Metals come mainly from the pyrite mines located in the north of the region 74 and, to lesser extent, from the petrochemical and chemical industries near the city of Huelva 75 (Abril et al., 2014; Garcia-Sevillano et al., 2014; García-Sevillano et al., 2012; Montes Nieto et 76 al., 2010; Ruíz-Laguna et al., 2001; Ruiz-Laguna et al., 2016). In addition, pesticides are used 77 extensively for rice, citrus and strawberry production in the nearby fields. Furthermore, 78 agrochemical pollution in the region is considered particularly dangerous due to its intensive 79 use and quick spread and to difficulties in its evaluation (Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Gomara 80 et al., 2008; Pueyo et al., 2011). Since the National Park is continuously threatened by 81 pollution, a regular monitoring of the environment quality is required (García-Sevillano et al., 82 2012).

83 Mice are invaluable bioindicators of terrestrial pollution. Laboratory studies have 84 traditionally used highly inbred *Mus musculus* lines with low levels of natural genetic

85 polymorphisms that may bias the obtained results (Dejager et al., 2009). Recently, other 86 species of the Mus genus, such as Mus spretus, a.k.a. the Algerian mouse, are replacing M. 87 musculus. The use of M. spretus as a bioindicator for pollution in Southern Europe and 88 Northern Africa areas presents two main advantages. First, it presents low levels of inbreeding 89 and thus has a larger amount of genetic variation. Second, M. spretus is not endangered and 90 can be freely used for environmental pollution monitoring (Abril et al., 2015; Abril et al., 2014; 91 Bonilla-Valverde et al., 2004; Dejager et al., 2009; Garcia-Sevillano et al., 2014; García-Sevillano 92 et al., 2012; Montes-Nieto et al., 2007; Ruíz-Laguna et al., 2001; Ruiz-Laguna et al., 2016) as 93 well as in-lab exposure experiments (Alhama et al., 2018; Morales-Prieto and Abril, 2017). In addition, *M. spretus* mice have a sedentary nature and territorial lifestyle, with daily 94 95 displacements in the range of 27.8 to 112.0 m, which make them valuable local environmental 96 bioindicators (Palomo et al., 2009).

97 Many pollutants (i.e., metals, pesticides, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) may generate 98 reactive O and N species (ROS/RNS) due to their redox cycling properties (Alhama et al., 2018; 99 Braconi et al., 2011; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; López-Barea, 1995; Morales-Prieto and Abril, 2017). ROS/RNS can alter all biomolecules, but proteins are particularly sensitive due to 100 101 the presence of redox susceptible cysteines (Cys) (Ying et al., 2007). ROS-mediated 102 posttranslational modifications play key roles in signalling during normal cell growth (Eaton, 103 2006; Tell, 2006; Ying et al., 2007), but when ROS levels increase, oxidative damage can cause 104 serious harm or even death of the cell/organisms (Dalle-Donne et al., 2006; Davies, 2005; 105 Eaton, 2006; Ying et al., 2007).

106 To assess environmental stress situations, conventional biomarkers have been extensively 107 used. However, this approach has proven limited since it requires a deep knowledge of the 108 toxicity mechanisms of pollutants and produces biased results due to the limited number of 109 analyzed biomolecule, while excluding those whose relationship with contamination is still not 110 known. Unlike the narrow and static classic biomarker approach, omics unbiased technologies 111 monitor many biomolecules in a high-throughput manner, thus providing a global evaluation 112 of the biological responses altered by exposure to contaminants in natural complex 113 ecosystems (Abril et al., 2015; Alhama Carmona et al., 2017; García-Sevillano et al., 2014). 114 Environmental proteomics provides a global view of the entire proteome in a biological 115 system. This technique has become a very popular tool for the assessment of the biological 116 impact of a contaminated site because it: (i) can reveal the biological pathways affected by the 117 pollutant(s), (ii) identifies molecular biomarkers for the early detection of pollution, and (iii) 118 does not need any previous knowledge of their toxicity mechanisms. Recently, attention has

119 focused not only on the protein levels but also on their Cys residues as they function as redox 120 sensors in cell signalling pathways and as early biomarkers for oxidative protein damage. 121 Redox proteomics can identify and quantify proteins, as well as inform us about the oxidation 122 state of their thiols (Eaton, 2006; Sheehan et al., 2010). Oxidative Cys modifications can be 123 detected by specifically labelling with fluorescent chemicals followed by 2-dimensional 124 electrophoresis (2DE) analysis. Furthermore, differentially oxidized spots can be identified by 125 mass spectrometry (MS) (Charles et al., 2014; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Perez et al., 2010). 126 Recently, a novel gel-free redox proteomic approach has been proposed (McDonagh et al., 127 2014). This method differentially labels reduced and oxidized Cys with either light (d0) or 128 heavy (d5) forms of N-ethylmaleimide (NEM), respectively. Peptides can then be directly 129 identified, and their Cys oxidation status can be quantified by massive liquid chromatography-130 tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) (Alhama et al., 2018; McDonagh et al., 2014). The 131 application of redox proteomics to assess environmental problems is a field of growing 132 interest, since many pollutants toxicity occurs by eliciting oxidative stress (Alhama et al., 2018; 133 Alhama Carmona et al., 2017; Braconi et al., 2011; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Rainville et 134 al., 2015).

135 This work aimed to evaluate the biological responses of *M. spretus* mice, used as a 136 bioindicator, in a complex pollution-threatened and environmentally sensitive area, DNP, using 137 an integrated proteomic approach. First, redox proteomics using differential cysteine labelling 138 and two complementary analysis methods, 2DE and LC-MS/MS, allowed the detection of 139 redox-based variations within the proteome. Second, changes in the overall protein 140 abundance were also analysed by label-free quantitative proteomics. The detection of globally 141 altered metabolic and physiological processes offers us an image of the main biological targets 142 of environmental pollution and of the defensive responses to fight against pollutant-elicited 143 oxidative stress.

#### 144 **2.** Materials and methods

#### 145 2.1 Study areas, animal capture and tissue collection

146 *M. spretus* mice were captured from November to December 2009 at four sites in DNP and 147 its surroundings (SW Spain, Fig. 1). Animals from the Lucio del Palacio (LP), due to its central 148 location in the heart of DNP, have been habitually used as a reference, although previous 149 studies have shown the presence of contaminants (García-Sevillano et al., 2012). The other 150 three sites are nearby areas of intensive agriculture (Abril et al., 2015; Abril et al., 2011; 151 Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Fernandez-Cisnal et al., 2017; Garcia-Sevillano et al., 2014; 152 García-Sevillano et al., 2012). Matochal (MAT) is affected by rice-growing fields and suffers the 153 input of pesticides and metals used as algaecides in the growth of rice. The Partido (PAR) site is 154 under the influence of citrus fruit and grape fields and several urban enclaves. In the upper 155 part of the Rocina (ROC), the stream converges with several aquifers coming from large land 156 extension covered with strawberry greenhouses. Mice were captured with live traps and 157 transported alive to a nearby lab, where their gender and weight were determined before 158 being sacrificed by cervical dislocation. Eight male mice per site were selected by their similar 159 average weights (LP,  $11.9 \pm 0.8$  g; MAT,  $12.3 \pm 1.3$  g; PAR,  $12.5 \pm 0.6$  g; ROC,  $13.4 \pm 0.6$  g) for 160 this study. Animals were dissected, livers were individually extracted and frozen in liquid  $N_2$ 161 and taken to the University of Córdoba, where they were kept frozen at -80°C. Each organ was 162 individually pulverized under liquid N<sub>2</sub> in a SPEX SamplePrep 6770 Freezer/Mill (Metuchen, NJ, 163 USA).

# 164 2.2 Labelling of oxidized protein thiols, two-dimensional electrophoresis, mass spectrometry 165 and protein identification

166 To avoid interindividual variations, pools were prepared by mixing approximately 50 mg 167 aliquots of frozen liver powder from each of eight male mice collected per site. For the 168 labelling of oxidized thiols and 2DE separation, the same protocol as the one previously used 169 to evaluate the level of protein oxidation in crayfish, from the same sampling sites in DNP and 170 its surrounding areas, was followed (Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014). Briefly, reversibly oxidized 171 thiols in proteins were detected via alkylation/blocking of native thiols, cleavage of disulphide 172 bonds and specific fluorescence labelling with 5-IAF of the newly reduced thiols. After 173 labelling, proteins were separated by 2DE and fluorescence images of the gels were captured. 174 The gels were also stained with SYPRO Ruby to reveal total proteins, used for normalization. To 175 identify differentially oxidized proteins, spots were excised, tryptically digested and analysed by MS conducted in a MALDI-TOF/TOF. Proteins were identified through peptide mass 176

fingerprinting and confirmed through MS/MS analysis as previously described (FernándezCisnal et al., 2014), with taxonomy restriction to mouse (98 244 sequences when the Uniprot
database was interrogated). The protein identifications were validated according to the
following criteria: high score, sequence coverage, lowest expectation, number of matched
peptides, and the number and score of the fragmented ions. *2.3 Label-based MS-based evaluation of the redox status of Cys-containing peptides*

- 183 The reversible redox state of specific Cys residues in proteins was analysed using a high-
- 184 throughput label-free quantitative proteomic approach, as previously described (Alhama et al.,
- 185 2018). Briefly, after an initial differential labelling step of reduced and oxidized Cys residues
- 186 with d(0)- and d(5)-NEM, respectively, protein samples were tryptically digested and analysed
- 187 by LC-MS/MS. Raw data were processed using Proteome Discoverer and resulting MS2 spectra
- 188 were searched using the SEQUEST engine against a database of UniProt Mus
- 189 musculus\_Feb2017 (<u>www.uniprot.org</u>). Finally, peptide identifications were grouped into
- 190 proteins with Proteome Discoverer 2.1, and analysis of identified peptides was performed
- 191 using Skyline software (http://proteome.gs.washington.edu/software/skyline) in MS1 filtering
- 192 mode, as previously described (Alhama et al., 2018; Schilling et al., 2012).
- 193 Label-free quantification (LFQ) intensities were used to determine global levels of the
- 194 proteins containing peptides with Cys residues, as previously described (Alhama et al., 2018).
- 195 2.4 Cluster analysis
- The Genesis package (Sturn et al., 2002) was used for cluster analysis. Intensity data were
   normalized, and the distance measure employed was Pearson's correlation. Complete linkage
   hierarchical clustering and k-means clustering analyses were performed.
- 199 2.5 Biological analysis of proteins
- 200 Biological interpretation of the list of proteins was first carried out using a Cytoscape plug-
- in, ClueGo (Bindea et al., 2009). By integrating Gene Ontology (GO) terms as well as
- 202 KEGG/BioCarta pathways, a functionally organized GO/pathway term network was created. A
- 203 list of proteins IDs was used to query the Gene Ontology-Biological Process database
- 204 (European Bioinformatics Institute, EBI). ClueGo parameters were set as indicated: Go Term
- Fusion selected; only display pathways with p values  $\leq$  0.01; threshold of 10% of genes per
- 206 pathway. Next, a molecular interaction network associated with input protein IDs was
- 207 retrieved using BisoGenet, another Cytoscape plug-in (Martin et al., 2010). For both analyses,
- 208 the *Mus musculus* database was used.

209 2.6 Statistical analysis

- 210 The 2DE data are presented as the mean ± SD of three independent gel images. They were
- 211 analysed using GraphPad Instant software (version 3.05). The Student-Newman-Keuls multiple
- 212 comparison test was calculated. A *p* < 0.05 was considered statistically significant.
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#### 214 3. Results

215 3.1 Fluorescence labelling of oxidized protein thiols and two-dimensional electrophoresis

216 Representative 2DE gel images of IAF-labelled oxidized thiol proteins (up, in red) and SYPRO 217 Ruby-stained proteins (down, in blue) of mice from LP at the core of DNP are shown in Fig. 2A. 218 The number of spots exhibiting reversibly oxidized thiols was  $571 \pm 290$ , which represents 47%219 of the 1206 ± 477 spots detected through SYPRO Ruby staining. The two previous 220 representative images were aligned, as shown in Fig. 2B, which allowed us to determine the 221 exact positions of the differentially oxidized thiol proteins in the SYPRO Ruby-stained gel for 222 excision, tryptic digestion and analysis by MS. The arrows in Fig. 2B shows the positions of the 223 selected 52 spots presenting differences in intensity (> 2-fold, p < 0.05) when the sampling 224 sites were compared. The MS analysis using MALDI-TOF/TOF and genomic database searches 225 resulted in the positive identification of 41 protein spots (79% of the total analysed proteins), 226 which are numbered in Fig. 2B. Supplementary Table 1 shows the names of the identified 227 proteins, some of the criteria used for validation of the identifications (Protein score, Expect 228 and Sequence coverage) and the 5-IAF normalized intensities obtained at the different 229 sampling sites. The 41 identified protein spots corresponded to 20 unique proteins, as a total 230 of 10 proteins were identified from several spots. Thus, spots 1-4 were identified as TERA, 5-8 231 as SBP1, 9-11 as ENOA, 12-16 as RGN, 17-18 as F16P1, 19-21 as FAAA, 22-25 as ARGI1, 26-27 as 232 NIT2, 28-29 as PGAM1 and spots 31-32 as PRDX1.

233 3.2 Differential isotopic cysteine labelling and mass spectrometry analysis

234 Although 2DE allows the evaluation of the levels of oxidation of proteins, it is a technology 235 that is quite laborious and time-consuming. Therefore, with developments in MS technology, 236 there is a growing trend to use higher sample throughput "gel-free" proteomics (Sheehan et 237 al., 2010). Therefore, a massive LC-MS/MS analysis was applied to identify and quantify the 238 reversible redox state of specific Cys residues in peptides after differential isotopic labelling of 239 reduced/oxidized Cys residues with light (d0) and heavy (d5) forms of NEM, respectively. A 240 total of 264 peptides, corresponding to 127 identified proteins, were present in the three replicates of the four sampling areas. Eighty proteins were considered in this study, including 241 242 only those with peptides showing greater than 2-fold changes in the oxidation state of their 243 Cys (p < 0.05) when comparing sampling sites (Supplementary Table 2). 244 A hierarchical clustering analysis was carried out to visually quantify the alterations in the

244 A merarchical clustering analysis was carried out to visually quantify the alterations in the
 245 oxidation status of proteins (Fig. 3). The analysis included both the 41 differentially oxidized
 246 proteins resolved by 2DE and the peptides of the 80 proteins containing differentially oxidized
 247 cysteines quantified by LC-MS/MS. Proteins/peptides and sites were grouped into six clusters

248 based on similarities in their level of oxidation patterns. Half of the proteins, those grouped in 249 clusters A (57) and B (24), correspond to proteins/peptides with more oxidation in LP. Fewer 250 proteins/peptides, MAT (cluster C, 21), PAR (cluster D, 19) and ROC (cluster E, 23), had more oxidation at the other locations. Finally, cluster F included 18 proteins/peptides with a lower 251 252 oxidation status at LP than all the other sampling sites. The cluster in which each 253 protein/peptide is included is indicated in Supplementary Table 1 and Supplementary Table 2. 254 Significantly, except for spots 15 and 32, included in cluster E, the rest of the protein spots 255 separated by 2DE were part of cluster A, thus showing a higher level of oxidation at LP. In 256 contrast, differentially oxidized Cys-containing peptides identified by LC-MS/MS were 257 distributed throughout all the different clusters.

258 A Cytoscape analysis was carried out for the biological interpretation of the complete list of 259 identified proteins. ClueGo was used to decipher functionally grouped proteins and to create a 260 functionally organized GO/pathway term network (Fig. 4). This app identified four main 261 functional GO groups; the top category was formed by proteins involved in "cell redox 262 homeostasis and detoxification", accounting for approximately 41% of the total 263 proteins/peptides. Other groups were "immune and inflammatory response, and blood 264 coagulation" (28.4%); "generation of precursor metabolites and energy" (18.5%); and "amino 265 acid metabolic process" (12.3%). Table 1 lists the eighty-one differentially oxidized proteins (17 266 from the 2DE experiment and 64 from the LC-MS/MS experiment), and details how they are 267 distributed and grouped into the four different functional GO groups. The oxidation pattern of 268 the different protein spots/peptides is also specified. Of all the proteins, only GNMT and 269 PRXD1 were identified in the two experiments, which indicates that these two techniques 270 provide different information. It could be highlighted the high oxidation status of proteins 271 involved in cell redox homeostasis and detoxification, including: CATA, GLRX5, HS90B, SBP1, 272 PRDX2, PEBP1, PDIA6, RGN and TXND5 at LP (clusters A and B), CH60, CALR, ATOX1 and GLRX1 273 at MAT (cluster C), EST1 and MT1 at PAR (cluster D), and CERU, PDIA3 and THTR at ROC 274 (cluster E). 275 Molecular interactions among the proteins identified from both proteomic approaches 276 were studied using BisoGenet. Fig. 5 shows the network obtained in which a total of 58 277 proteins, 13 from the 2DE experiment and 45 from LC-MS/MS, are closely connected.

278 Significantly, two proteins, EED (polycomb protein EED) and KCMA1 (calcium-activated

potassium channel subunit alpha-1), occupy central nodes that connect many of the identifiedproteins.

281 3.3 Label-free quantitative proteomics analysis followed by a functional study

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282 Changes in the overall protein abundance were analysed by label-free quantitative 283 proteomics. A total of 1519 proteins were identified, of which 1177 were detected under all 284 conditions. Of these, 720 proteins (~60%) showing  $\geq$  2-fold changes in any condition were 285 considered in this study. A heatmap is presented to show the differential expression of 286 proteins comparing mice from the different sites at DNP and its surroundings (Fig. 6). This 287 analysis differentiates two patterns with a similar number of proteins. Cluster A grouped 328 288 proteins with higher intensity in LP and expression that decreased in mice from the other three 289 areas, and cluster B was formed by proteins (392) with higher levels of expression at ROC (Fig. 290 6A). A ClueGo pathway analysis allowed us to assign functional groups to proteins from each of 291 the two clusters (Fig. 6B and Supplementary Table 3). In cluster A, of the 76 proteins assigned 292 to some metabolic pathways, approximately half are involved in the "metabolic 293 transformation of drugs/xenobiotics", followed in proportion (22% of the total) by those 294 involved in the "biosynthesis of cholesterol and subsequent metabolism of steroids". 295 Approximately one-third of the proteins are involved in "proteolytic degradation in the 296 proteasome" and subsequent "amino acid catabolism". The most numerous functional groups 297 also include many enzymes involved in phase I metabolism (i.e., several cytochrome P450 298 isoenzymes, hydrolases, flavin monooxygenases) and phase II reactions (i.e., different UDP-299 glucuronosyltransferases and glutathione S-transferases). In cluster B, functional groups were 300 assigned to 105 proteins, of which the highest percentage (62% of the total) corresponds to 301 those involved in the processes of "translation and synthesis of proteins" (38%), their 302 "processing and folding" (13%), and again their "proteolytic degradation in the proteasome" 303 (10%). We would like to highlight the large number of protein-metabolism components 304 identified (i.e., 40S and 60S ribosomal proteins, translation initiation factors, T-complex 305 protein 1 subunits, proteasome structural and regulatory subunits). Additionally, a significant 306 number of proteins (20%) participate in the response to oxidative stress and toxic substances. 307 Somewhat lower is the number of mitochondrial proteins involved in fatty acid oxidation and 308 metabolism of pyruvate and in being components of the electron transport chain as part of 309 aerobic respiration and ATP synthesis.

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#### 311 4. Discussion

#### 312 4.1 Redox proteomics

313 In this study, the redox status of thiol groups in proteins was analysed to assess the 314 biological effects of contaminants in mice from Doñana National Park (DNP). Two different and 315 complementary high-throughput proteomic approaches were implemented. First, after 316 fluorescence labelling of reversibly oxidized Cys and 2DE separation, proteins with differences 317 in reversibly oxidized thiol levels were evaluated. Second, a massive LC-MS/MS analysis was 318 applied to identify and quantify the reversible redox state of specific Cys residues in peptides, 319 after differential isotopic labelling of reduced/oxidized Cys residues. 320 Of the 41 differentially oxidized protein spots identified in the 2DE experiment (see 321 Supplementary Table 1), only ten had unique identifications, since the other ten proteins were 322 identified from several spots: TERA (4), SBP1 (4), ENOA (3), RGN (5), F16P1 (2), FAAA (3), ARGI1 323 (4), NIT2 (2), PGAM1 (2) and PRDX1 (2 spots). The different forms of the same protein have 324 different pl values and slightly higher Mr values when shifted to a more acidic range, 325 suggesting that they harbour different posttranslational modifications. LC-MS/MS analysis 326 identified 127 proteins containing differentially oxidized Cys-containing peptides 327 (Supplementary Table 2). Approximately half of the proteins (60) were identified containing 328 only one Cys-oxidized peptide, and twenty proteins contained more than two peptides, 329 highlighting serotransferrin and serum albumin containing 11 and 12 Cys-differentially oxidized 330 peptides, respectively. Of all the proteins, only two were identified in both experiments, 331 glycine N-methyltransferase (GNMT) and peroxiredoxin-1 (PRDX1), which indicates that these 332 two techniques provide different information, although complementary, on the redox state of 333 proteins. As shown above, 2DE evaluates the global oxidation level of proteins and reports 334 about posttranslational modifications, while LC-MS/MS reports on the oxidation status of 335 specific Cys in peptides. Significantly, two oxidized peptides were detected in PRDX1 336 (Supplementary Table 2), which could explain the two protein spots detected in the 2DE gel 337 (spots 31 and 32; Fig. 2 and Supplementary Table 1). 338 Identified proteins showed different oxidation patterns, global or at specific Cys residues, 339 indicating a complex metabolic response in mice that may be influenced by different biotic and 340 abiotic factors. We would like to highlight anthropogenic activities carried out around DNP, 341 mainly intensive agriculture and industries at Huelva Estuary, which currently represent an 342 extremely serious threat to this unique biosphere reserve (Abril et al., 2015; Fernández-Cisnal 343 et al., 2014; Fernandez-Cisnal et al., 2017; García-Sevillano et al., 2012). Globally, up to 50% of 344 the proteins/peptides (81 from a total of 162) were included in clusters A and B (Fig. 3),

indicating a higher oxidation state of proteins in mice from LP at the core of DNP. Moreover,
95% of the differentially oxidized protein spots resolved by 2DE were included in cluster A, as
shown in Supplementary Table 1. Some proteins contained several Cys residues with different
reactivities. The most outstanding examples are ALBU and TRFE, proteins with 12 and 11 Cyscontaining peptides, respectively, which present very different oxidation patterns (Table 1 and
Supplementary Table 2), probably due to the influence of the residues located at the Cys
nearby surroundings (Janssen-Heininger et al., 2008; Ying et al., 2007).

352 Functional analysis showed that most differentially oxidized proteins (approximately 40%) 353 are involved in the maintenance of cellular redox homeostasis, by eliciting mechanisms to 354 respond to toxic substances and to oxidative stress. Significantly, several of these proteins, 355 including redoxins and related proteins (TXN, GLRX, PRDX, PDI), are characterized by having 356 redox-active Cys residues. Here, TXND5, GLRX5, PRDX2 and PDIA6 presented higher oxidation 357 at LP, while GLRX1 and PDIA3 were more oxidized at MAT and ROC, respectively. Thioredoxin 358 (TXN), thioredoxin reductase and NADPH form the ubiquitous thioredoxin system. TXNs, with a 359 dithiol-disulphide active site, act as antioxidants by facilitating the reduction of other proteins 360 by cysteine thiol-disulfide exchange. This protein plays a role in many important biological 361 processes, including redox signalling (Arner and Holmgren, 2000). Glutaredoxins (GLRX) utilize 362 the reducing power of glutathione to catalyse disulphide reductions in the presence of NADPH 363 and glutathione reductase, forming the glutaredoxin system. GLRX acts in antioxidant defence 364 by reducing low-molecular-weight disulphides and proteins (as PRDX) (Fernandes and 365 Holmgren, 2004). Similar to other redoxins, the cellular functions of GLRX are due to the wide 366 range of redox potential associated with their active site -Cys-X-X-Cys- (Foloppe and Nilsson, 367 2004). Accordingly, changes in the oxidation status of the characteristic -CPYC- motif of GLRX1 368 were detected in response to pollution in this work. Peroxiredoxins (PRDX) are ubiquitous and 369 relatively abundant proteins that play a role in cell protection against oxidative stress by 370 reducing and detoxifying peroxides and as sensors of hydrogen peroxide-mediated signalling 371 events (Wood et al., 2003). PRDX1 is a typical 2-Cys peroxiredoxin with a conserved loop-helix 372 active site motif that contains a peroxidatic cysteine, identified as the molecular switch 373 responsible for the redox-sensitive oligomerization of this protein (Wood et al., 2003). This 374 conserved loop-helix motif (PLDFTFVCPTE) containing active Cys52, changed in the studied 375 animals following pattern F (Table 1 and Supplementary Table 2). After reducing peroxides, 376 PRDX requires the donation of electrons from reduced TXN to restore its catalytic activity 377 (Rhee et al., 2001; Wood et al., 2003). Furthermore, protein disulphide isomerases (PDI) are 378 thiol-disulphide oxidoreductases that contain a variable number of TXN domains. PDIs catalyse 379 the formation and breakage of disulphide bonds between Cys residues within proteins as they

380 fold, thus allowing proteins to quickly find the correct arrangement of disulphide bonds in their 381 fully folded state (Gruber et al., 2006). 382 The second major group of proteins with redox changes includes those involved in adaptive 383 and innate immune responses, in the inflammatory response, and blood coagulation. These 384 are also crucial processes for maintaining homeostasis. Activation of both the innate and 385 acquired immune responses and induction of chronic inflammation was previously shown by 386 heterologous microarray analysis of transcriptome alterations in mice living in a heavily 387 polluted area (Abril et al., 2014; Ruiz-Laguna et al., 2016). When the innate immune system 388 detects infection or tissue injury, it activates several signal transduction pathways that trigger 389 protective inflammatory responses (Kawai and Akira, 2011; Lugrin et al., 2014; Newton and 390 Dixit, 2012). However, increasing evidence indicates that excessive and/or chronic 391 inflammation can result in tissue injury, organ dysfunction, different pathological processes 392 and diseases, and cancer (Abril et al., 2014; Lugrin et al., 2014; Newton and Dixit, 2012). 393 Moreover, oxidative stress plays a crucial role in the origin, development and perpetuation of 394 inflammation and thus contributes to its pathological consequences (Lugrin et al., 2014). 395 Blood coagulation, the immune system and inflammation maintain close communication that 396 can either amplify or dampen the responses (Antoniak, 2017; Esmon, 2004; Xu et al., 2010). 397 During infections, the blood coagulation system is activated, and components of the 398 haemostatic system are directly involved in the immune response to limit pathogen 399 dissemination (Antoniak, 2017). However, overactivation produces thrombotic complications, 400 excessive inflammation, and tissue damage (Antoniak, 2017; Xu et al., 2010). 401 Many of the identified proteins are closely connected in a complex network of molecular 402 interactions (Fig. 5). Significantly, two proteins, EED (polycomb protein EED) and KCMA1 403 (calcium-activated potassium channel subunit alpha-1), occupy central nodes that connect 404 many of the differentially oxidized proteins and both are related to severe health problems. 405 EED is a component of the polycomb repressive complex 2 (PRC2), a multiprotein chromatin-406 modifying complex that, by catalysing the mono-, di- and tri-methylation of histone H3 at 407 lysine 27 and the transcriptional repression of the affected target genes, is essential for 408 vertebrate development and differentiation (Conway et al., 2015; Ueda et al., 2016). Alteration 409 of the level of this histone modification has been related to many types of cancer (Conway et 410 al., 2015; Ezponda and Licht, 2014; Ueda et al., 2016). In contrast, potassium channels gated by 411 calcium control different cellular processes in the liver, such as proliferation and volume 412 homeostasis, showing a protective role during liver injury and fibrosis (Sevelsted Moller et al., 413 2016).

#### 414 *4.2 Label-free quantitative proteomics analysis*

415 As previously described, differential isotopic labelling and MS analysis allowed us to 416 evaluate the redox state of specific Cys-containing peptides in proteins. Additionally, this 417 approach provides a set of raw data that can be used for the LFQ of the global levels of 418 proteins, without the need for a further complete LC-MS/MS analysis. Globally, the 419 deregulated proteins followed two quantitatively similar trends: those upregulated at LP and 420 those showing higher intensity at ROC. Proteins responding to oxidative stress and toxic 421 substances were clearly induced at ROC. A previous iTRAQ analysis showed that, compared 422 with the LP reference, ROC mice proteins related to stress response presented higher changes 423 than those from PAR and MAT animals (Abril et al., 2015). This area is affected by intense 424 agricultural activity (strawberry, citrus fruit, and grape fields) and by diffuse pollution from 425 petrochemical and chemical activities in its surroundings (García-Sevillano et al., 2012). LP, at 426 the heart of DNP and within its area of maximum protection, has been widely considered as a 427 reference/clean area (Abril et al., 2015; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014; Fernández-Cisnal et al., 428 2018; Vioque-Fernández et al., 2009). Our results show the upregulation of a high number of 429 proteins involved in the biotransformation and metabolism of drugs/xenobiotics, which may 430 be an early alert for organic pollution in the area. In this sense, the induction of up to 8 431 isoforms of the cytochrome P450 2 (CYP2) family suggests a remarkable response to drugs in 432 mice from LP (Supplementary Table 3). Likewise, as discussed above, redox proteomics carried 433 out here showed a higher oxidized status in proteins from LP mice. Serious suspicions about 434 the absence of contamination in the centre of the Park have previously been reported, as 435 unexpectedly high concentrations of metals (Cd, As, Mn, Cu and Zn) were found in LP mice. 436 Furthermore, analysis of metals in soils and sediments from LP revealed higher concentrations 437 of Cd and As than in those from PAR an ROC, and also unexpectedly high levels of Mn, Cu and 438 Zn (García-Sevillano et al., 2012). The increasing responses of several biomarkers (G6PDH, 439 SeGSHPx and EROD activities) at reference sites already attributed in 2001 to organic 440 pollutants, such as pesticides used in intensive crops grown in areas nearby DNP, thus suggest 441 the progressive pollution of key Doñana ecosystems (Bonilla-Valverde et al., 2004). Due to 442 their sedentary lifestyle, it is unlikely that mice from contaminated areas around DNP would 443 flow into LP (Palomo et al., 2009). In crayfish, although LP showed levels of biomarkers 444 corresponding to a clean area, "Laguna Dulce", also at the DNP core, had atypical levels in 445 several pollution responsive biomarkers, which indicates that it is crucial to properly choose the reference area (Vioque-Fernández et al., 2009). To the presence of high metal levels 446 447 already mentioned, there has been growing concern about the increasing presence of

448 emerging organic pollutants (i.e., human and veterinary pharmaceuticals, plasticizers, 449 surfactants) in aquatic organisms, wastewaters and surface waters at the surroundings of 450 Doñana (Camacho-Munoz et al., 2010; Garrido et al., 2016; Kazakova et al., 2018). The higher 451 number of upregulated proteins in mice from LP corresponds to phase I and II 452 biotransformation enzymes, which are involved in both adaptive and toxic effects of pollutants 453 (Abril et al., 2015). Many of these proteins are part of the aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR) 454 pathway, one of the most studied ligand-activated transcription factors, which functions as a 455 sensor of xenobiotic chemicals, especially aromatic hydrocarbons/dioxins (Michaelson et al., 456 2011; Tian et al., 2015). Altogether, our results suggest the worrying presence of multiple 457 pollutants threaten this protected area.

458 Many pollutants generate ROS/RNS that induce oxidative stress (Braconi et al., 2011; 459 Fernández-Cisnal et al., 2014). A relevant negative consequence of stressing conditions is the 460 formation of oxidatively damaged (i.e., carbonylated, cross-linked or aggregated) proteins 461 (Braconi et al., 2011; Goldberg, 2003; Höhn et al., 2013; Wang et al., 2018). Approximately 80% 462 of proteins destined for degradation are labelled by ubiquitin in an energy-dependent process 463 and then digested by the 26S proteasome, which is a large proteolytic complex (Goldberg, 464 2003; Höhn et al., 2013; Jung and Grune, 2008; Laskowska et al., 2019). In this context, the 465 upregulation of components of the 26S proteasome system observed in this work could play 466 an important direct detoxification role by supporting the degradation of damaged proteins 467 under chronic pollutant exposure conditions (Elamin et al., 2016; Feng et al., 2018; Goldberg, 468 2003; Grune et al., 1997; Shimada et al., 2010; Wang et al., 2018). Because of their tendency to 469 form intracellular aggregates, misfolded or damaged proteins can be highly toxic and can 470 impair normal cellular functions, such as cell division, apoptosis or DNA damage repair, and 471 may lead to cell death and multiple pathologies (Davies and Shringarpure, 2006; Goldberg, 2003; Grune et al., 1997; Höhn et al., 2013; Laskowska et al., 2019). The 26S proteasome is 472 473 composed of a core 20S particle, in which proteins are digested to short peptides, and 1-2 474 regulatory particles, responsible for substrate recognition and transport into the core particle 475 (Díaz-Villanueva et al., 2015; Jung and Grune, 2008; Voges et al., 1999). Several components of 476 the 26S proteasome were upregulated at LP and ROC, including different subunits of the 477 catalytic core (20S proteasome), regulatory particles, and auxiliary proteins (ELOB, UBQL1, 478 UCHL3 and RS27A). LC-MS/MS redox proteomics showed a deubiquitinating enzyme (UBP19) 479 containing Cys248, which regulates the degradation of several proteins, to be highly oxidized 480 at LP (Table 1 and Supplementary Table 2) (Ogawa et al., 2011). After damaged-protein 481 degradation, the increased amino acid metabolism observed in LP can provide recycled 482 building blocks for the synthesis of new proteins (Höhn et al., 2013; Vabulas, 2007; Vellai and

483 Takács-Vellai, 2010). Changes in the redox status of Cys-containing proteins involved in amino 484 acid metabolic processes are also reported here (Fig. 4 and Table 1). Under oxidative stress 485 conditions, after removal of damaged proteins by effective proteolysis, the synthesis of new 486 and protective proteins is vital to preserve cellular homeostasis, thus avoiding pathological 487 situations (Dasuri et al., 2013). Significantly, many structural components of ribosome and 488 translation factors were upregulated in mice from LP and ROC, which can be considered an 489 adaptive response to stress (Vabulas, 2007). Thus, the synthesis of many protective proteins 490 was clearly increased, including phase I and phase II biotransformation enzymes, antioxidant 491 and auxiliary enzymes, and oxidative damage-repair enzymes. As happens with impaired 492 proteolysis, reduced protein synthesis results in deleterious and toxic effects and contributes 493 to disease pathogenesis (Caldarola et al., 2009; Dasuri et al., 2013).

494 The folding of newly synthesized proteins to their correct conformations is another critical 495 process that requires the sequential actions of multiple molecular chaperones (Díaz-Villanueva 496 et al., 2015; Goldberg, 2003). Up to 14 proteins involved in ensuring proper protein processing 497 and chaperonin-mediated folding were upregulated in LP mice. Protein turnover within cells is 498 a highly precise, selective and regulated global process, from its continuous degradation to 499 amino acids and new protein synthesis to its subsequent proper folding (Díaz-Villanueva et al., 500 2015; Goldberg, 2003; Laskowska et al., 2019; Vellai and Takács-Vellai, 2010). It has been 501 proposed that every step in the lifetime of proteins is safeguarded, with nearly all large 502 subcellular mechanisms ready to react to proteotoxic stress (Díaz-Villanueva et al., 2015). 503 These processes also demand a huge metabolic energy expenditure as it is estimated that 504 protein degradation by the 26S proteasome uses approximately one-third of the ATP used by 505 the ribosome in their synthesis (Voges et al., 1999). Otherwise, protein translation is the most 506 energy-demanding process, accounting for ~75% of a cell's total energy budget (Lane and 507 Martin, 2010). To address the greater ATP demands, LP mice could respond with an increase in 508 aerobic respiratory metabolism, based on the overexpression of proteins involved in fatty acid 509 oxidation, in pyruvate metabolism and in the electron transport chain. Variations in the 510 oxidation state of Cys-containing proteins involved in the generation of an energy precursor 511 are shown in this work (Fig. 4 and Table 1).

Additionally, significant changes were detected in mitochondrial and peroxisomal proteins involved in fatty acid oxidation. Both organelles are key players in oxidative metabolism, showing close, coordinated and intricate metabolic and signalling cross-communication. Thus, dysfunction in one organelle exerts a direct negative effect on the other (Bonekamp et al., 2009; Fransen et al., 2012; Nordgren and Fransen, 2014). Although mitochondria have been mainly considered a major source of ROS, a precise and tightly regulated fine-tuning between

518 opposite pro-oxidant (e.g.,  $H_2O_2$ -generating oxidases) and antioxidant (especially catalase) 519 mechanisms occurs in peroxisomes (Bonekamp et al., 2009; Fransen et al., 2012; Nordgren and 520 Fransen, 2014). Peroxisome dysfunction has been linked to inherited and aged-related 521 diseases and may play a role in the initiation and progression of oxidative stress-related 522 diseases (Fransen et al., 2012; Nordgren and Fransen, 2014). Finally, peroxisomes act as 523 sources of signalling messengers (specific lipids or different ROS/RNS) modulating various 524 biological responses such as inflammatory responses, cytoprotective pathways, cell 525 proliferation and differentiation, and senescence (Abril et al., 2015; Nordgren and Fransen, 526 2014).

527 Finally, cholesterol plays a vital role in animals, as it is an essential component of all cell 528 membranes and it is a precursor of bile acid, vitamin D and especially steroid hormones, which 529 control many physiological functions. Furthermore, cholesterol regulates ionic current mediated by the activity of Ca<sup>2+</sup>-gated K<sup>+</sup> channels, thus controlling many physiological 530 531 processes. Modification of channel function during hypercholesterolemia originates 532 pathophysiological mechanisms leading to disease (Dopico et al., 2012). Alterations of 533 cholesterol metabolism described in this work could be the origin of the accumulation of lipids 534 in the liver (hepatic steatosis) previously described in Mus spretus mice living in a heavily 535 polluted environment (Abril et al., 2014; Ruiz-Laguna et al., 2016). Additionally, oxidative stress 536 has been related to the dysregulation of cholesterol metabolism via its role in the pathological 537 progression of atherosclerosis (Kattoor et al., 2017; Morgan et al., 2016). Pollutant-associated 538 activation of the AhR signalling pathway may contribute to the development of atherosclerosis 539 through the induction of a vascular inflammatory response and accumulation of cholesterol 540 (Tian et al., 2015; Wu et al., 2011) and to the development of steatohepatitis with fibrosis 541 (Nault et al., 2017; Tian et al., 2015).

In conclusion, the holistic analysis of redox Cys status and total protein levels in mice 542 543 captured near areas surrounding DNP show a complex pattern of changes that, although 544 affecting very diverse metabolic pathways and physiological processes, seem to be molecularly 545 interconnected. Alterations in functions such as "biotransformation metabolism of 546 drugs/xenobiotics" or "maintenance of cell redox homeostasis" were expected, as some of the 547 evaluated areas are heavily affected by pollution, and some of the previously detected 548 pollutants generate oxidative stress. Our data also show that mouse health could be seriously 549 compromised in the studied areas, as indicated by severe alterations in their immune 550 responses/inflammatory response/blood coagulation, most likely due to pollutant-elicited 551 tissue injury. Moreover, proteins are a primary target for oxidative damage. Increasing the 552 metabolism of damaged or misfolded proteins, together with the concomitant biosynthesis of

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553 new proteins, demands large quantities of energy, which will probably impair other metabolic 554 processes. Evaluating the response of an organism to complex environmental changes is not 555 an easy task. Only the combination of multiple proteomic approaches and the integration of 556 results will provide a complete picture of the real metabolic/physiological consequences. 557 Proteomics not only i) identifies proteins significantly altered after pollutant exposure, but also 558 informs about: ii) the types of contaminants present in complex ecosystems, iii) their toxic 559 mechanisms, and iv) the health status of exposed organisms. In this work, applying integrated 560 proteomics as a discovery-driven approach has alerted about the actual state of a highly 561 protected area, and suggests the need of further studies to determine contaminants and 562 sources of pollution.

#### 563 FIGURE LEGENDS

Fig. 1. Map of Doñana National Park (DNP) and its surrounding areas showing the sites where *Mus spretus* mice were captured. The locations of the sites in SW Spain and their UTM
coordinates are indicated.

Fig. 2. (A) Representative 2DE gel images of IAF-labelled oxidized thiol proteins (up) and SYPRO Ruby-stained proteins (down) of *M. spretus* from LP. (B) An overlapping image of both gels is also shown, in which the arrows mark the differentially oxidized thiol protein spots (> 2-fold intensity differences, p < 0.05) when the sampling sites were compared. Numbers indicate the proteins that were positively identified by MS, which are listed in Supplementary Table 1.

572 Fig. 3. K-means clustering analysis of the differentially oxidized proteins analysed by 2DE and 573 peptides identified by LC-MS/MS. Peptides/proteins are grouped into six clusters (A-F) for 574 which the trend is shown in the graphs on the left, indicating the number of peptides/proteins 575 of each cluster within the graph. Corresponding heatmaps are shown on the right of each 576 graph, in which each row represents one differentially oxidized peptide/protein. Green 577 rectangles indicate samples with lower oxidation levels relative to other conditions, while red 578 rectangles represent higher levels. The colour intensity is proportional to the fold-change as 579 represented by the scale.

Fig. 4. Functional groups obtained after GlueGo analysis of differentially oxidized proteins in
mice. The chart shows the four (GO 1-4) functional groups obtained after the analysis of the
total proteins identified by both techniques, 2DE and LC-MS/MS, and it represents the
percentage of terms per group.

Fig. 5. Molecular interactions network obtained using BisoGenet. The green circles refer to the
proteins identified in the 2DE experiment. The pink circles correspond to proteins from the LCMS/MS analysis. Light blue circles are proteins that, although not detected in this study,
functionally link the identified changing proteins.

Fig. 6. Analysis of the proteins quantified by label-free proteomics. (A) Hierarchical clustering
analysis of proteins showing ≥2-fold differential expression in at least one condition when
comparing mice from the different sites at DNP. Each row represents one differentially
expressed protein. Colour scale is row-normalised. Green rectangles indicate samples with
lower intensity relative to other conditions, while red rectangles represent higher intensity.
The colour intensity is proportional to the fold-change as represented by the scale. Proteins

- are grouped into two clusters (A, B) for which the trend is shown in the graphs on the right,
  wherein the number of proteins comprising each cluster is indicated. (B) Overview charts with
  functional groups including differentially expressed proteins of clusters A (upper side) and B
  (lower side).
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# Table 1: List of proteins differentially oxidized in mice from DNP, distributed and grouped by GO functional groups.

Accession <sup>a</sup>	Protein Name (abbreviation) <sup>a</sup>	Experiment <sup>b</sup>	Protein spot no. or Peptide <sup>c</sup>	Cluster <sup>d</sup>	
1. Cell ı	1. Cell redox homeostasis and detoxification (response to toxic substances and to oxidative stress)				
P63101	14-3-3 protein zeta/delta (1433Z)	LC-MS/MS	DICNDVLSLLEK	С	
P63038	60 kDa heat shock protein. Mitochondrial (CH60)	LC-MS/MS	CEFQDAYVLLSEKK	С	
P50247	Adenosylhomocysteinase (SAHH)	2DE	38	А	
P14211	Calreticulin (CALR)	LC-MS/MS	DMHGDSEYNIMFGPDICGPGTKK	С	
Q8C196	Carbamoyl-phosphate synthase [ammonia]. Mitochondrial (CPSM)	LC-MS/MS	SAYALGGLGSGICPNK - CEMASTGEVACFGEGIHTAFLK	B - F	
Q8VCT4	Carboxylesterase 1D (CES1D)	LC-MS/MS	ENIPLQFSEDCLYLNIYTPADLTK - KENIPLQFSEDCLYLNIYTPADLTK - AISESGVSLTAALITTDVKPIAGLVATLSGCK	B - D - D	
P24270	Catalase (CATA)	LC-MS/MS	LVNADGEAVYCK	А	
Q61147	Ceruloplasmin (CERU)	LC-MS/MS	EMGPTYADPVCLSK	Е	
O08997	Copper transport protein ATOX1 (ATOX1)	LC-MS/MS	VCIDSEHSSDTLLATLNK	С	
P58252	Elongation factor 2 (EF2)	LC-MS/MS	DLEEDHACIPIKK	В	
Q01279	Epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR)	LC-MS/MS	NYVVTDHGSCVR	D	
Q9QUH0	Glutaredoxin-1 (GLRX1)	LC-MS/MS	VVVFIKPTCPYCR	С	
Q80Y14	Glutaredoxin-related protein 5 (GLRX5)	2DE	35	А	
P11499	Heat shock protein HSP 90-beta (HS90B)	LC-MS/MS	CLELFSELAEDKENYKK	В	
Q8VCC2	Liver carboxylesterase 1 (EST1)	LC-MS/MS	TTTSAAMVHCLR	D	
P02802	Metallothionein-1 (MT1)	LC-MS/MS	GAADKCTCCA	D	
Q8VCC2	Methanethiol oxidase (SBP1)	2DE	5 - 6 - 7 - 8	A - A - A - A	
O08601	Microsomal triglyceride transfer protein large subunit (MTP)	LC-MS/MS	ALDTCKIER	В	
P35700	Peroxiredoxin-1 (PRDX1)	2DE	31 - 32	A - E	
P35700	Peroxiredoxin-1 (PRDX1)	LC-MS/MS	GKYVVFFFYPLDFTFVCPTEIIAFSDR - HGEVCPAGWKPGSDTIKPDVNK	F - F	
Q61171	Peroxiredoxin-2 (PRDX2)	2DE	30	А	
P99029	Peroxiredoxin-5. Mitocondrial (PRDX5)	LC-MS/MS	ALNVEPDGTGLTCSLAPNILSQL - GVLFGVPGAFTPGCSK	C - F	
P70296	Phosphatidylethanolamine-binding protein 1 (PEBP1)	2DE	36	А	
P27773	Protein disulfide-isomerase A3 (PDIA3)	LC-MS/MS	VDCTANTNTCNK	E	
Q922R8	Protein disulfide-isomerase A6 (PDIA6)	LC-MS/MS	TCEEHQLCVVAVLPHILDTGAAGR	В	
Q64374	Regucalcin (RGN)	2DE	12 - 13 - 14 - 16 - 15	A - A - A - A - E	
Q64105	Sepiapterin reductase (SPRE)	2DE	41	А	
Q921I1	Serotransferrin (TRFE)	LC-MS/MS	WCAVSEHENTK - KTSYPDCIK - AVSSFFSGSCVPCADPVAFPK - CLKDGGGDVAFVK - DQYELLCLDNTR NQQEGVCPEGSIDNSPVK - SCHTGVDR - NLKQEDFELLCPDGTR - NLKQEDFELLCPDGTRKPVK KPVKDFASCHLAQAPNHVVVSR - DFASCHLAQAPNHVVVSR	E - E - E - D - E B - A - D - B D - E	
P07724	Serum albumin (ALBU)	LC-MS/MS	TCVADESAANCDK - QEPERNECFLQHK - NECFLQHK - MKCSSMQK - ECCHGDLLECADDR ECCHGDLLECADDRAELAK - LQTCCDKPLLKK - CCAEANPPACYGTVLAEFQPLVEEPK – CCSGSLVER RPCFSALTVDETYVPK -EFKAETFTFHSDICTLPEK - AETFTFHSDICTLPEKEK	A - A - B - E - F D - B - F - E A - C - F	
P10639	Thioredoxin (THIO)	LC-MS/MS	CMPTFQFYK	F	

Q91W90	Thioredoxin domain-containing protein 5 (TXND5)	LC-MS/MS	IGKVDCTQHYAVCSEHQVR	В
P52196	Thiosulfate sulfurtransferase (THTR)	LC-MS/MS	KVDLSQPLIATCR	E
Q3UJD6	Ubiquitin carboxyl-terminal hydrolase 19 (UBP19)	LC-MS/MS	LCAPPMNTQTSLLSSEK	А
2. Imm	une and inflammatory response, and blood coagulation			
P63260	Actin. cytoplasmic 2 (ACTG)	LC-MS/MS	CPEALFQPSFLGMESCGIHETTFNSIMK	E
P29699	Alpha-2-HS-glycoprotein (FETUA)	LC-MS/MS	ELACDDPEAEQVALLAVDYLNNHLLQGFK - QLTEHAVEGDCDFHILK - AQNVPLPVSTLVEFVIAATDCTAK	A - B - B
P32261	Antithrombin-III (ANT3)	LC-MS/MS	DIPVNPLCIYR	F
Q61176	Arginase-1 (ARGI1)	2DE	22 - 23 - 24 - 25	A - A - A - A
P10605	Cathepsin B (CATB)	LC-MS/MS	EQWSNCPTIGQIR - SCEAGYSPSYKEDK	E- E
P18242	Cathepsin D (CATD)	LC-MS/MS	GGCEAIVDTGTSLLVGPVEEVK	В
P01027	Complement C3 (CO3)	LC-MS/MS	VELLHNPAFCSMATAK	А
Q3ULW5	Ferritin (Q3ULW5)	LC-MS/MS	ADPHLCDFLESHFLDK - ADPHLCDFLESHFLDKEVK	A - A
P09528	Ferritin heavy chain (FRIH)	LC-MS/MS	LATDKNDPHLCDFIETYYLSEQVK	А
Q8K0E8	Fibrinogen beta chain (FIBB)	LC-MS/MS	CHAANPNGR - VYCDMK	C - E
Q8VCM7	Fibrinogen gamma chain (FIBG)	LC-MS/MS	DCQEIANKGAK - CHAGHLNGVYHQGGTYSK	A - B
P11276	Fibronectin (FINC)	LC-MS/MS	FGFCPMAAHEEICTTNEGVMYR	В
Q61646	Haptoglobin (HPT)	LC-MS/MS	QWVNTVAGEKLPECEAVCGKPK	D
P02089	Hemoglobin subunit beta-2 (HBB2)	LC-MS/MS	GTFASLSELHCDK	E
Q91X72	Hemopexin (HEMO)	LC-MS/MS	CSPDPGLTALLSDHR - GECQSEGVLFFQGNRK	B - E
Q9ESB3	Histidine-rich glycoprotein (HRG)	LC-MS/MS	AQDDCLPSR	С
P01868	Ig gamma-1 chain C region secreted form (IGHG1)	LC-MS/MS	TTPPSVYPLAPGSAAQTNSMVTLGCLVK	E
P01865	Ig gamma-2A chain C region. membrane-bound form (GCAM)	LC-MS/MS	TTAPSVYPLAPVCGDTTGSSVTLGCLVK	F
P01867	Ig gamma-2B chain C region (IGG2B)	LC-MS/MS	CPAPNLEGGPSVFIFPPNIKDVLMISLTPK	D
P01837	Ig kappa chain C region (IGKC)	LC-MS/MS	HNSYTCEATHK	А
P20918	Plasminogen (PLMN)	LC-MS/MS	KLYDYCDIPLCASASSFECGKPQVEPK	С
070570	Polymeric immunoglobulin receptor (PIGR)	LC-MS/MS	GCHILPSHDEGAR	А
P21614	Vitamin D-binding protein (VTDB)	LC-MS/MS	SCESDAPFPVHPGTPECCTK	F
3. Gene	eration of precursor metabolites and energy			
Q99KI0	Aconitate hydratase. Mitocondrial (ACON)	LC-MS/MS	DVGGIVLANACGPCIGQWDR	В
P17182	Alpha-enolase (ENOA)	2DE	9 - 10 - 11	A - A - A
P99028	Cytochrome b-c1 complex subunit 6. Mitochondrial (QCR6)	LC-MS/MS	SQTEEDCTEELFDFLHAR - DHCVAHK	F - F
Q8R0Y6	Cytosolic 10-formyltetrahydrofolate dehydrogenase (AL1L1)	LC-MS/MS	GENCIAAGR	С
008749	Dihydrolipoyl dehydrogenase. Mitocondrial (DLDH)	LC-MS/MS	VCHAHPTLSEAFR	E
Q91Y97	Fructose-bisphosphate aldolase B (ALDOB)	LC-MS/MS	IADQCPSSLAIQENANALAR	D
Q9QXD6	Fructose-1,6-biphosphatase 1 (F16P1)	2DE	17 -18	A - A
P16858	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (G3P)	LC-MS/MS	IVSNASCTTNCLAPLAK	В

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Q3ULJ0	Glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase 1-like protein (GPD1L)	LC-MS/MS	MAAAPLKVCIVGSGNWGSAVAK	А
P06151	L-lactate dehydrogenase A chain (LDHA)	LC-MS/MS	IVSSKDYCVTANSK - IVSSKDYCVTANSKLVIITAGAR - DYCVTANSK	C - F - F
Q9CPU0	Lactoylglutathione lyase (LGUL)	2DE	37	А
P08249	Malate dehydrogenase. Mitocondrial (MDHM)	LC-MS/MS	GCDVVVIPAGVPR	В
Q9DBJ1	Phosphoglycerate mutase 1 (PGAM1)	2DE	28 - 19	A - A
P09411	Phosphoglycerate kinase 1 (PGK1)	LC-MS/MS	GCITIIGGGDTATCCAK	С
Q01853	Transitional endoplasmic reticulum ATPase (TERA)	2DE	1 - 2 - 3 - 4	A - A - A - A
4. Ami	no acid metabolic process			
Q91YI0	Argininosuccinate lyase (ARLY)	LC-MS/MS	DFVAEFLFWASLCMTHLSR - CAGLLMTLK	A - C
P05202	Aspartate aminotransferase. Mitochondrial (AATM)	LC-MS/MS	VGAFTVVCK	В
035490	Betainehomocysteine S-methyltransferase 1 (BHMT1)	LC-MS/MS	ASGKPVAATMCIGPEGDLHGVPPGECAVR - VNEAACDIAR	C - F
Q8C196	Carbamoyl-phosphate synthase [ammonia]. Mitochondrial (CPSM)	LC-MS/MS	SAYALGGLGSGICPNK - CEMASTGEVACFGEGIHTAFLK	B - F
P35505	Fumarylacetoacetase (FAAA)	2DE	19 - 20 - 21	A - A - A
P35492	Histidine ammonia-lyase (HUTH)	LC-MS/MS	EGLALINGTQMITSLGCEALER - ALCHPSSVDSLSTSAATEDHVSMGGWAAR	C - C
Q9QXF8	Glycine N-methylatransferase (GNMT)	2DE	40	А
Q9QXF8	Glycine N-methylatransferase (GNMT)	LC-MS/MS	VLDVACGTGVDSIMLVEEGFSVMSVDASDK	D
Q9JHW2	Omega-amidase NIT2 (NIT2)	2DE	26 - 27	A - A
Q91X83	S-adenosylmethionine synthase isoform type-1 (METK1)	LC-MS/MS	TCNVLVALEQQSPDIAQCVHLDR	C

<sup>a</sup> Protein name, abbreviation and accession obtained from UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot database.

<sup>b</sup> Differentially oxidized proteins resolved by 2DE and identified by MALDI-TOF/TOF analysis (2DE) and proteins containing peptides that showed changes in the oxidation state of their Cys identified differential isotopic labelling and mass spectrometry analysis (LC-MS/MS).

<sup>c</sup> Proteins spots numbers correspond to those resolved by 2DE (Fig. 2) and which are listed in Supplementary Table 1. Peptides identified by LC-MS/MS, as shown in Supplementary Table 3. <sup>d</sup> Cluster name, corresponding to the different protein spots/peptides, given by Genesis analysis as shown in Fig. 3.

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Site (code)	UTM	coordinates
Lucio del Palacio (LP)	<i>X</i> = 189 947	Y = 4 098 578
Matochal (MAT)	X = 208 681	Y = 4 102 207
Partido (PAR)	X = 191 173	Y = 4 124 977
Rocina (ROC)	X = 178 653	Y = 4 119 937

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1. Cell redox homeostasis and detoxification (response to toxic substances and to oxidative stress) (40.7 %)





### HIGHLIGHTS

- Mice respond to toxic threats with changes in antioxidant/biotransformation enzymes, immune/inflammatory responses, and blood coagulation
- Most differentially oxidized proteins detected were involved in the maintenance of homeostasis
- Protein turnover was activated in response to oxidative damage to proteins, what demands a lot of energy
- Changes were detected in fatty acid oxidation and cholesterol metabolism
- The upregulation of biotransformation enzymes warns about organic pollution inside Doñana National Park

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