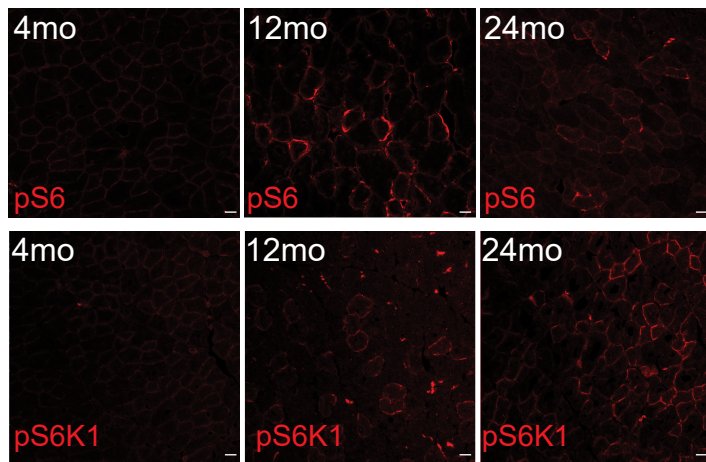
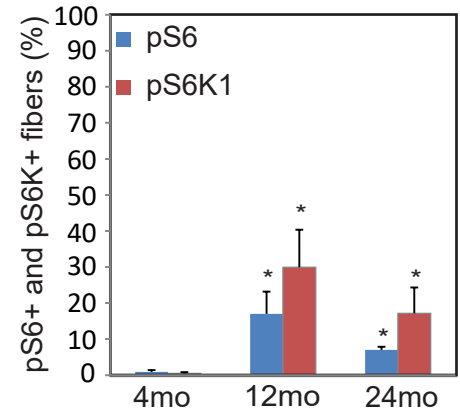


A.



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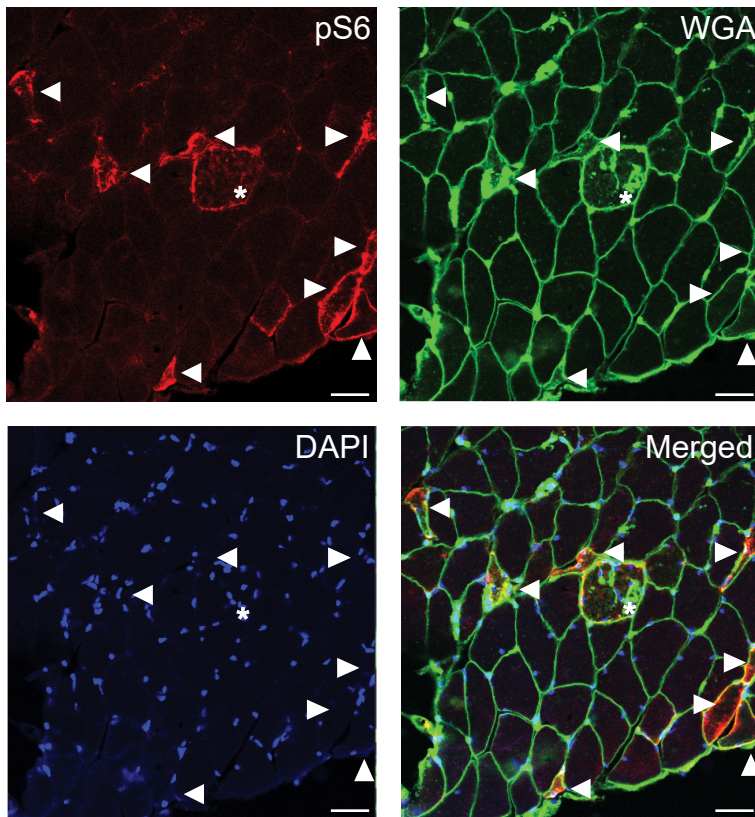
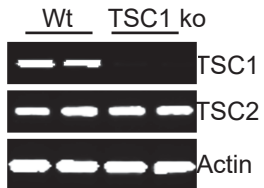


Fig. S1



Primers:

MOUSE TSC1 Forward: GTCAATGAGCTGTACCTGGA
MOUSE TSC1 Reverse: CTTTGGTTCTGCTGGAGAAG

MOUSE TSC2 Forward: TCTACAATGATTCTGGTGAGG
MOUSE TSC2 Reverse: TGCACTGCAGGGTCAATAGGTT

Actin-gamma Forward: ACCCAGGCATTGCTGACAGGATGC
Actin-gamma Reverse: CCATCTAGAAGCATTGCGGTGGACG

Fig. S2

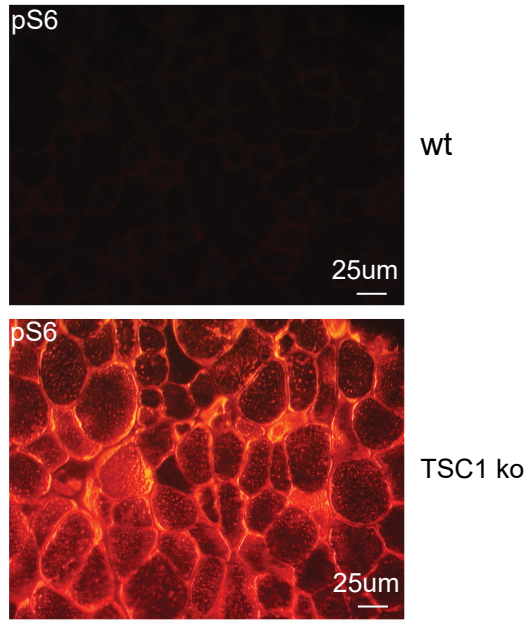


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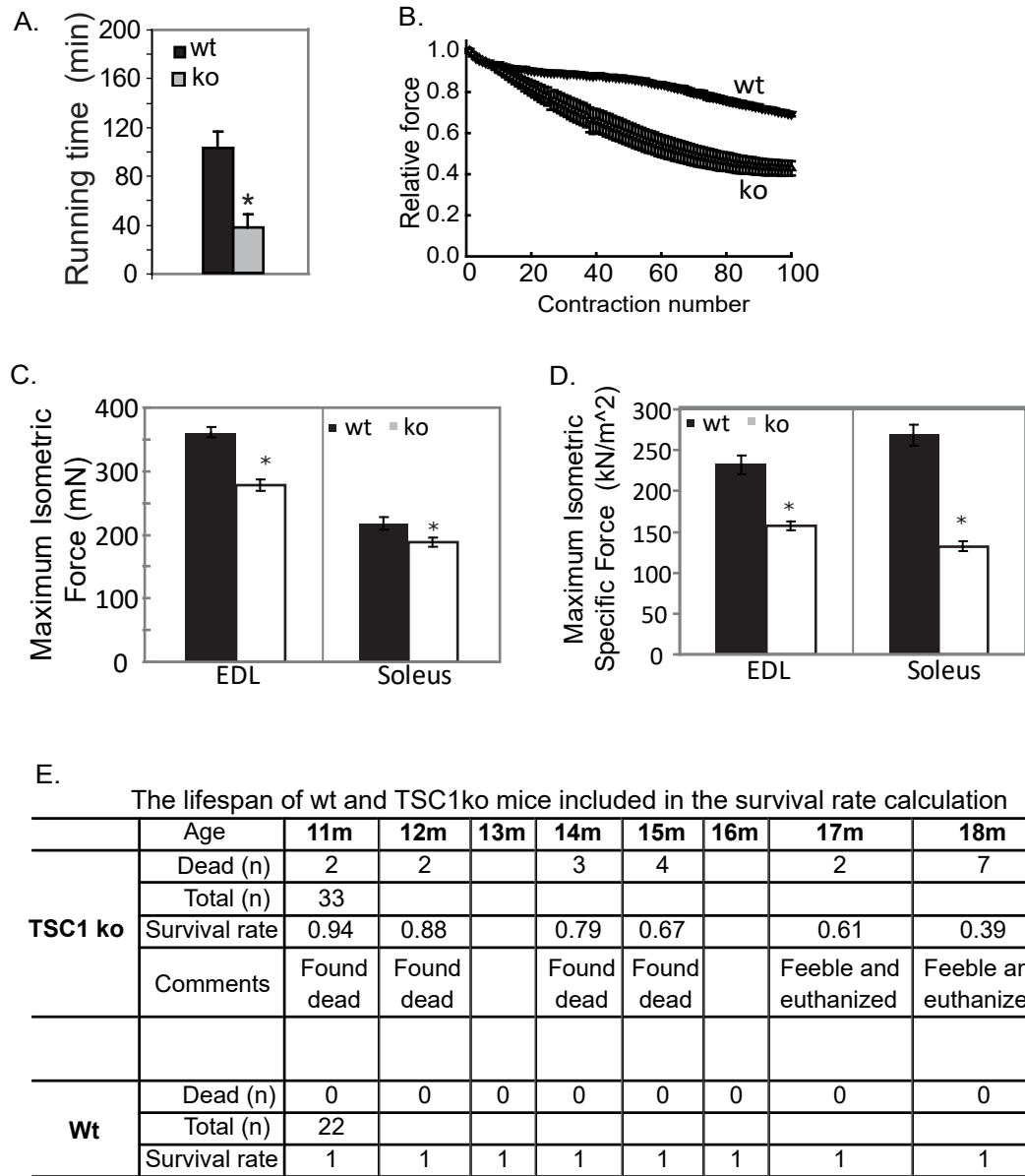
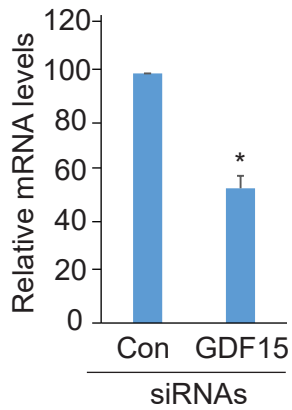
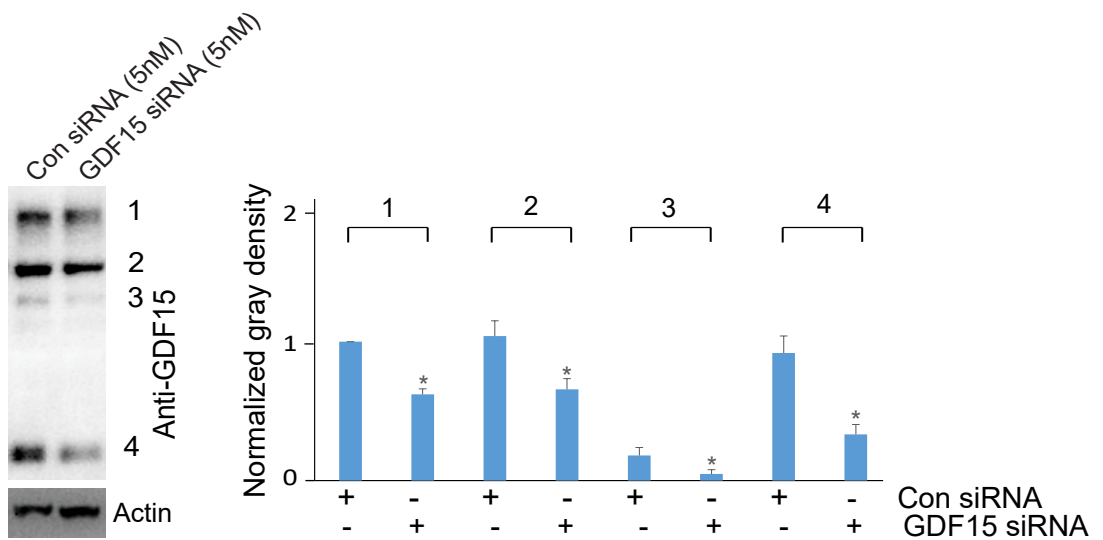


Fig. S4

A.



B.



GDF15 and control siRNAs, and GDF15 antibody were purchased from Santa Cruz Biotechnology. C2C12 cells were transfected and lysates were used for RNA and protein analysis.

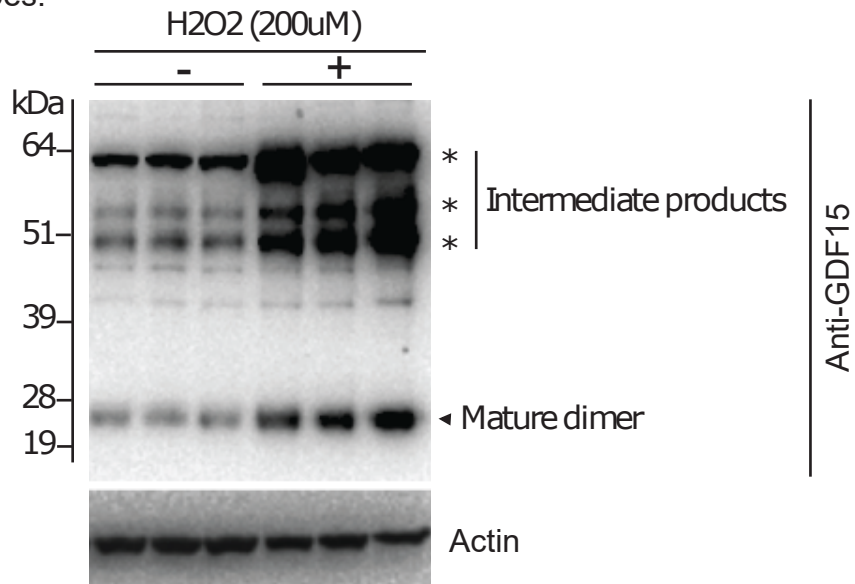
PCR primers used :

mouse GDF15 Forward: AAGCGACATGGCCCCG

mouse GDF15 reverse: CAATCTCACCTCTGGACTGAGTA

Fig. S5

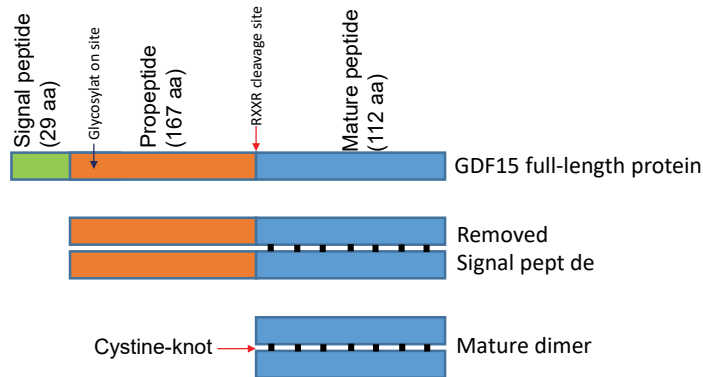
C2C12 myotubes:



Explanation of GDF15's bands detected by Western blot:

Besides the mature dimer, primary GDF15 protein yields several intermediate products during the maturation process, which include the full-length primary protein, the primary protein without signal peptide (dimer and monomer), and these intermediate products that are posttranslationally modified by N-linked glycosylation, as shown in the following diagram. The presence of these intermediate products may vary depending on the cellular status. These explain the presence of multiple detected bands by western blot

GDF15 protein:



(Adapted from <http://atlasgeneticsoncology.org/Genes/GDF15ID40701ch19p13.html>)

Fig. S6

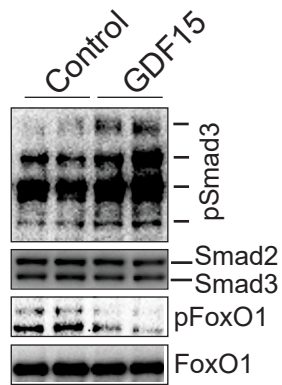


Fig. S7 Cultured C2C12 cells transfected with GDF15-expressing plasmid or control plasmid. Total proteins were extracted and subjected to western blot analysis

Fig. 7A

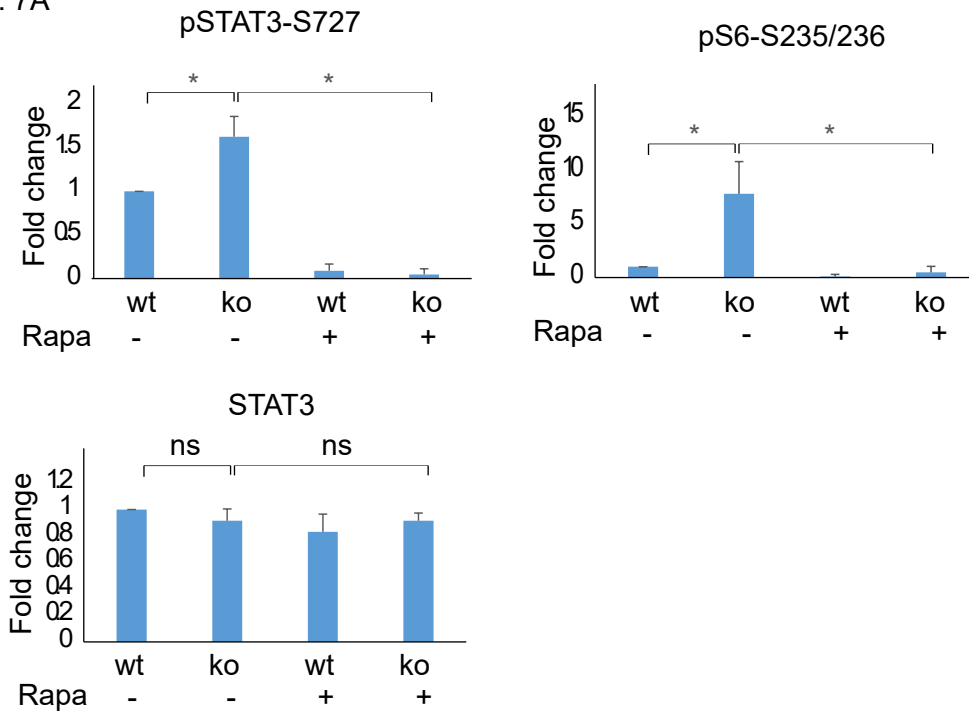


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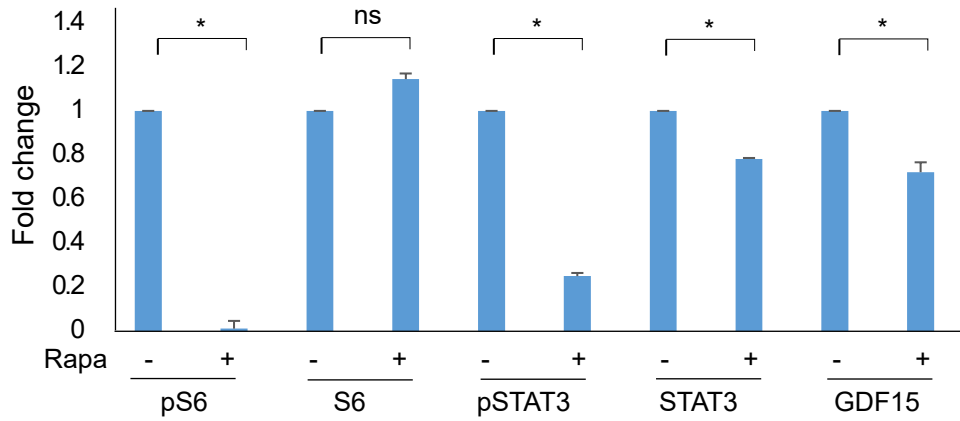


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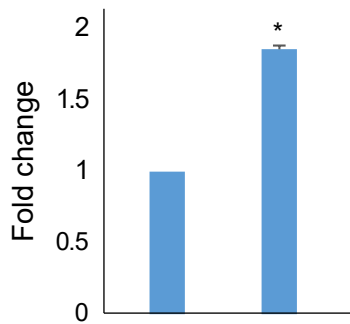


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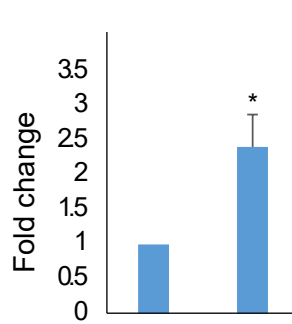


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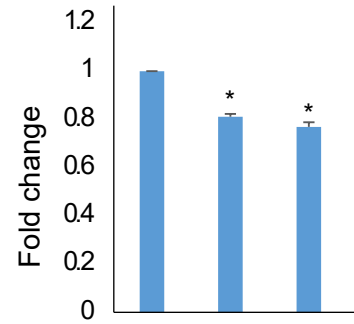


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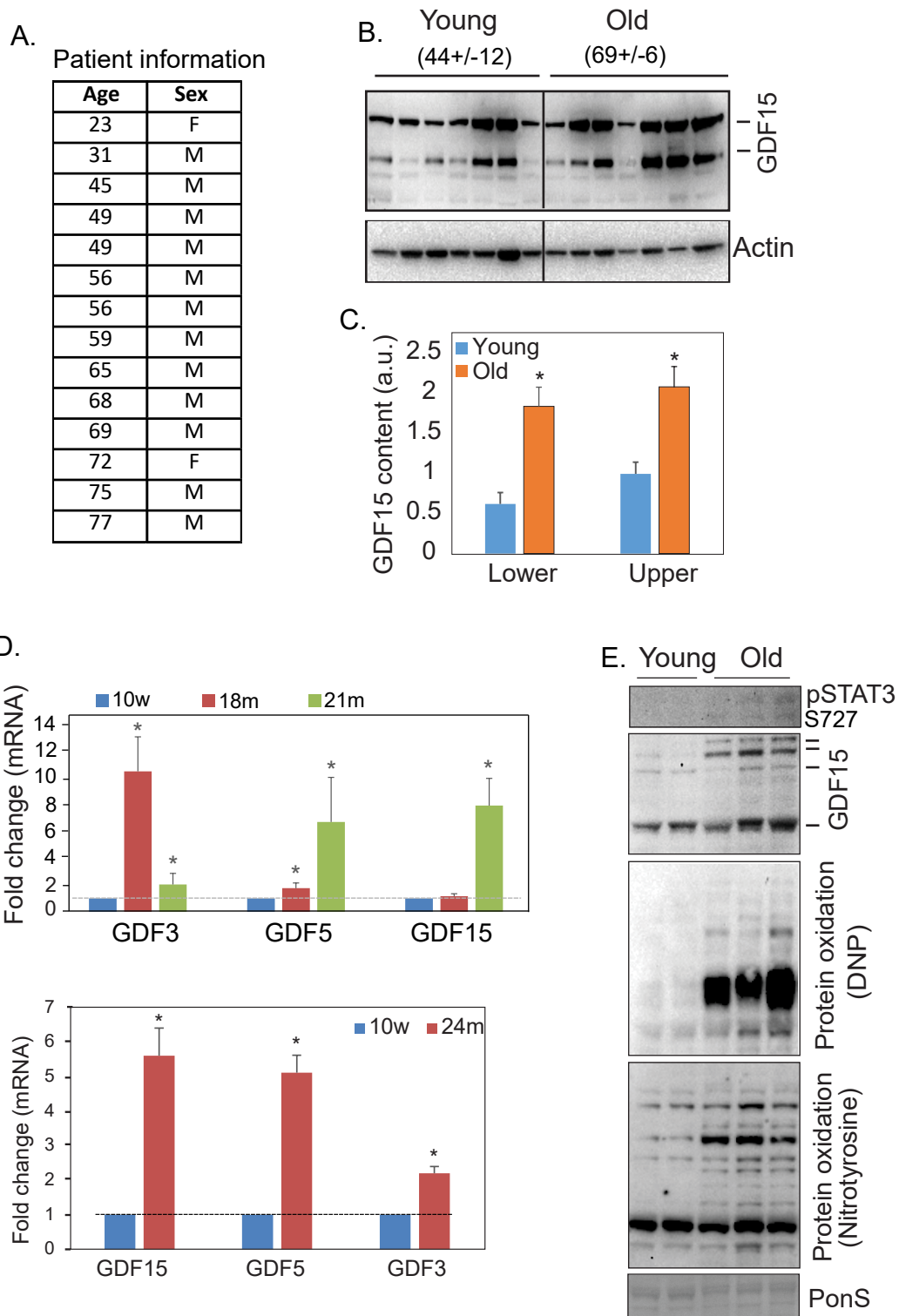


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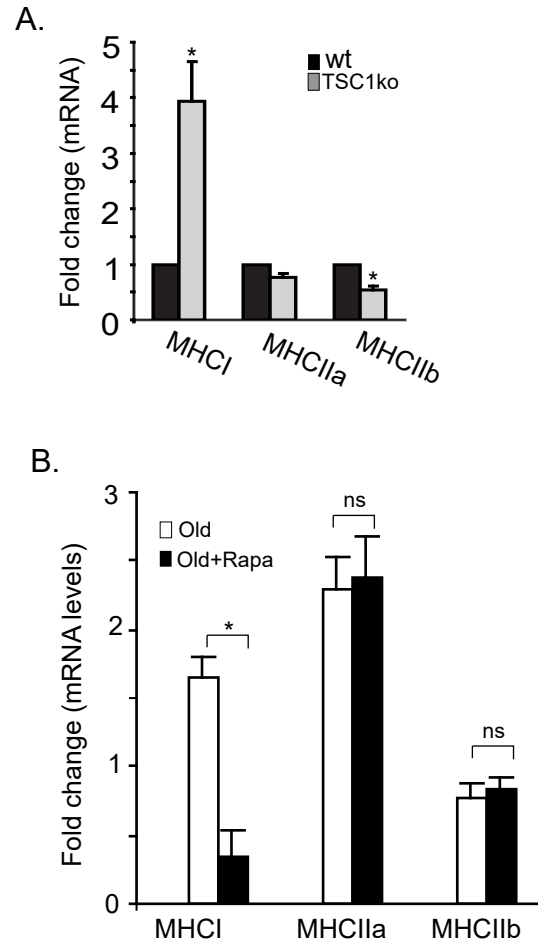


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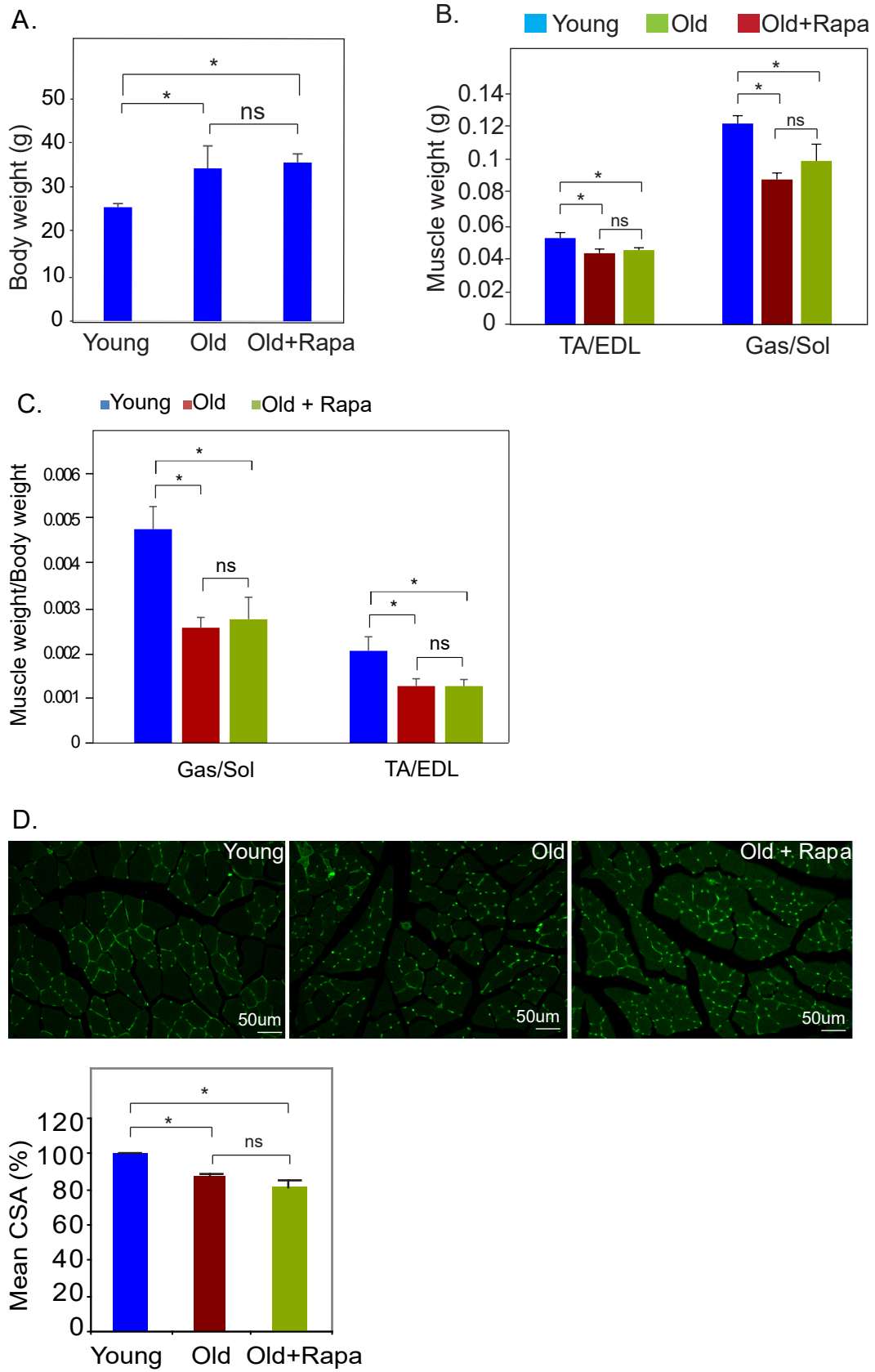


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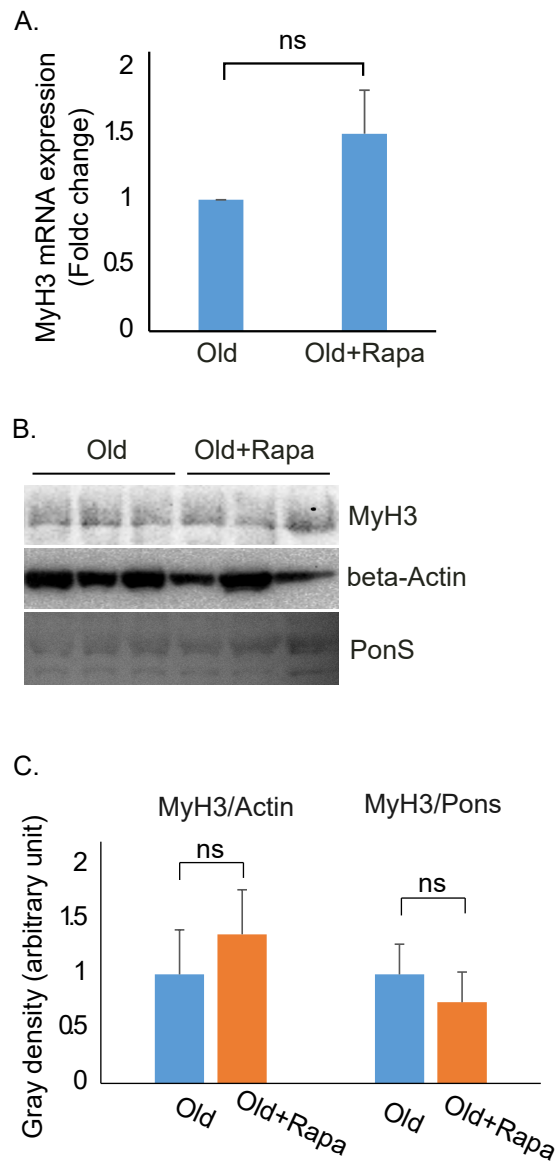
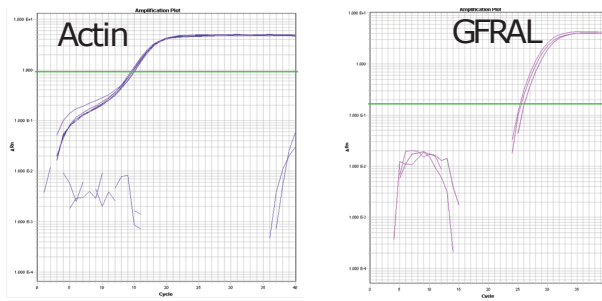


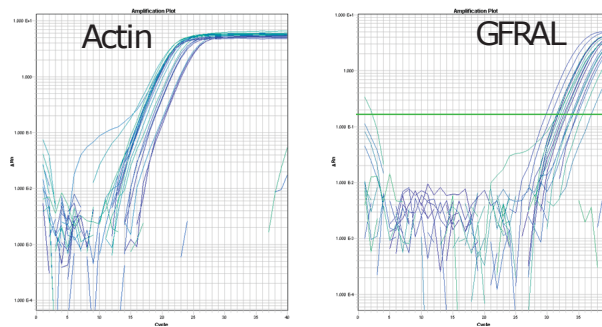
Fig. S12

A. GFRAL is expressed in C2C12 myotubes



Total RNA was extracted from cultured C2C12 myotubes and used for quantitative PCR

B. GFRAL is expressed in mouse skeletal muscle tissues



Total RNA was extracted from gastrocnemius muscle and used for quantitative PCR

C. Method fo quantitative PCR (ABI 7900HT):

Primers:

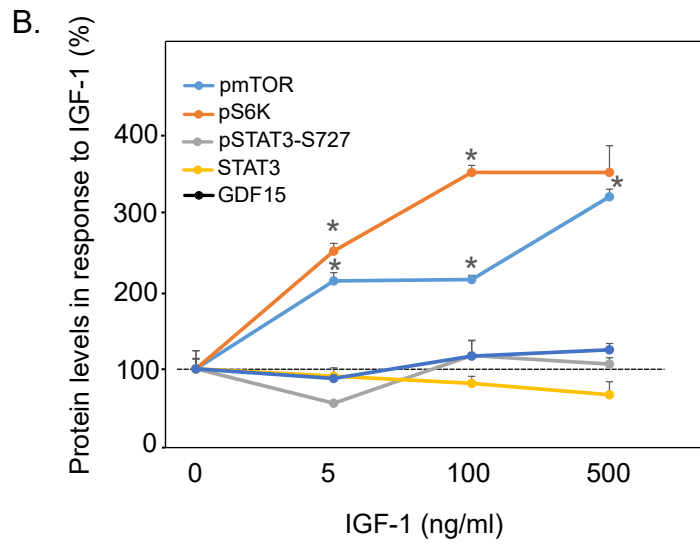
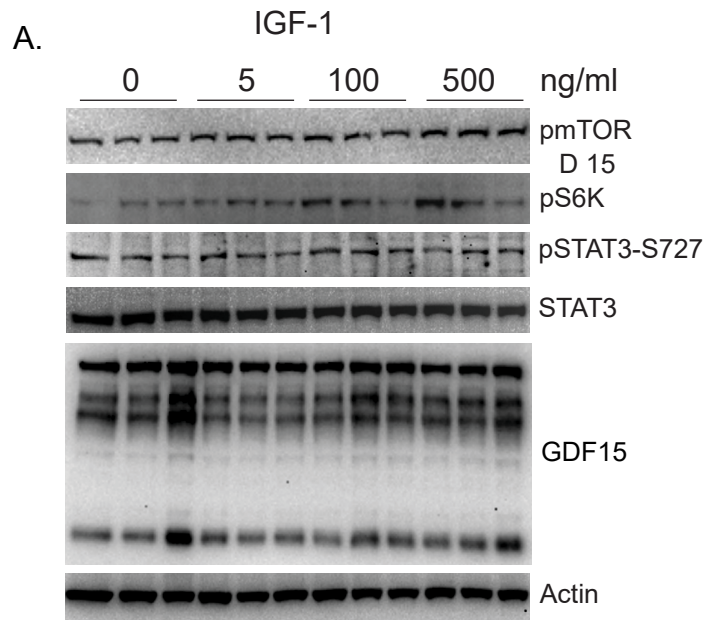
Forward: GCCTTACTCCAGGTGACTCC

Reverse: GCCTCTGTCACCTCCAAACA

Cycles:

1. 3min at 95
2. 40 cycles of 30 seconds at 95, 30 seconds at 58, 30 seconds at 72
3. 5min at 72

Fig. S13



Differentiated C2C12 myotubes were treated with IGF-1 for 24 hours. Cell lysates were harvested for western blot analysis.

Fig. S14