

## APPENDIX

### A Zeb1/Mitochondrial Creatine Kinase Metabolic Axis Controls Osteoclast Activation and Skeletal Remodeling

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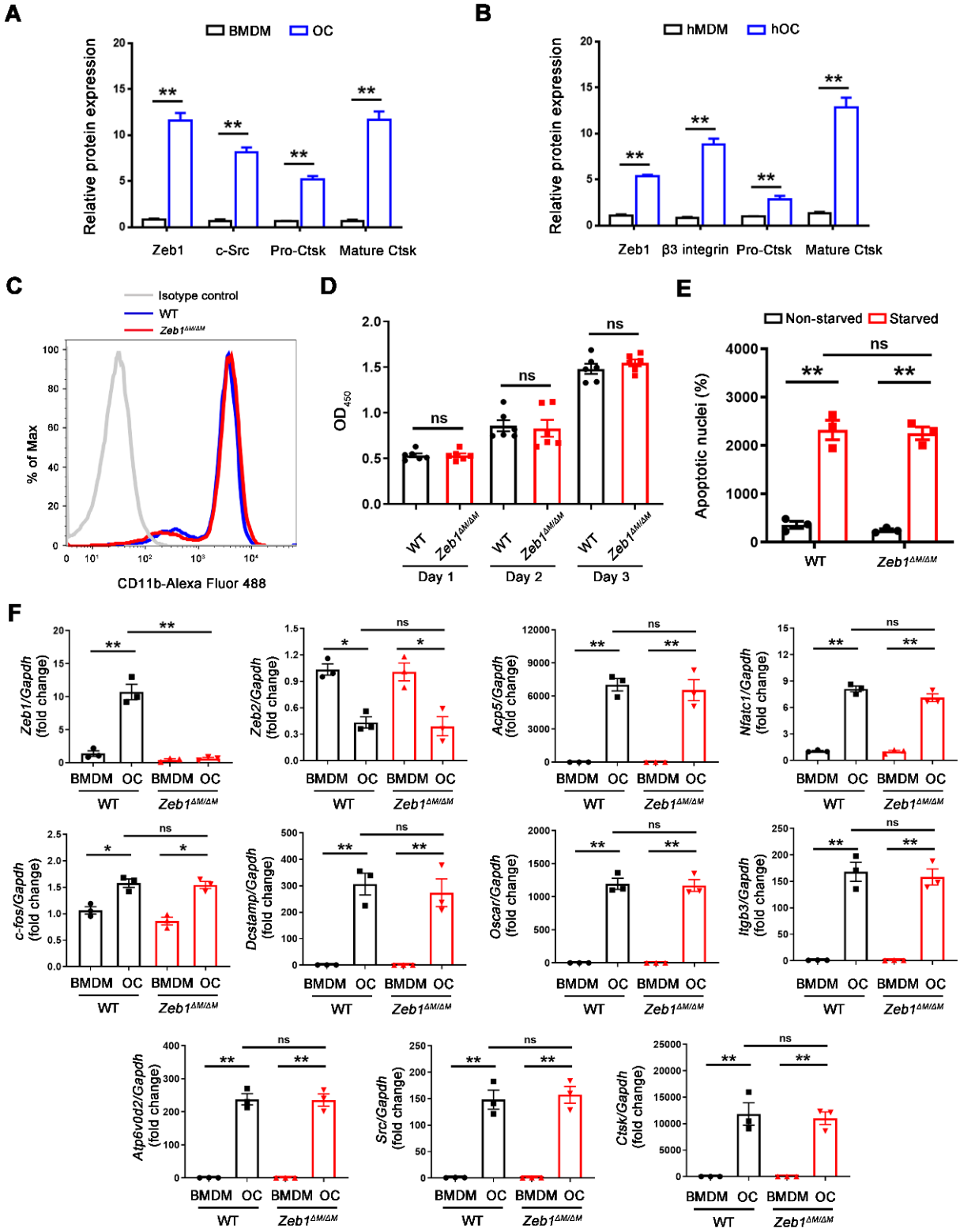
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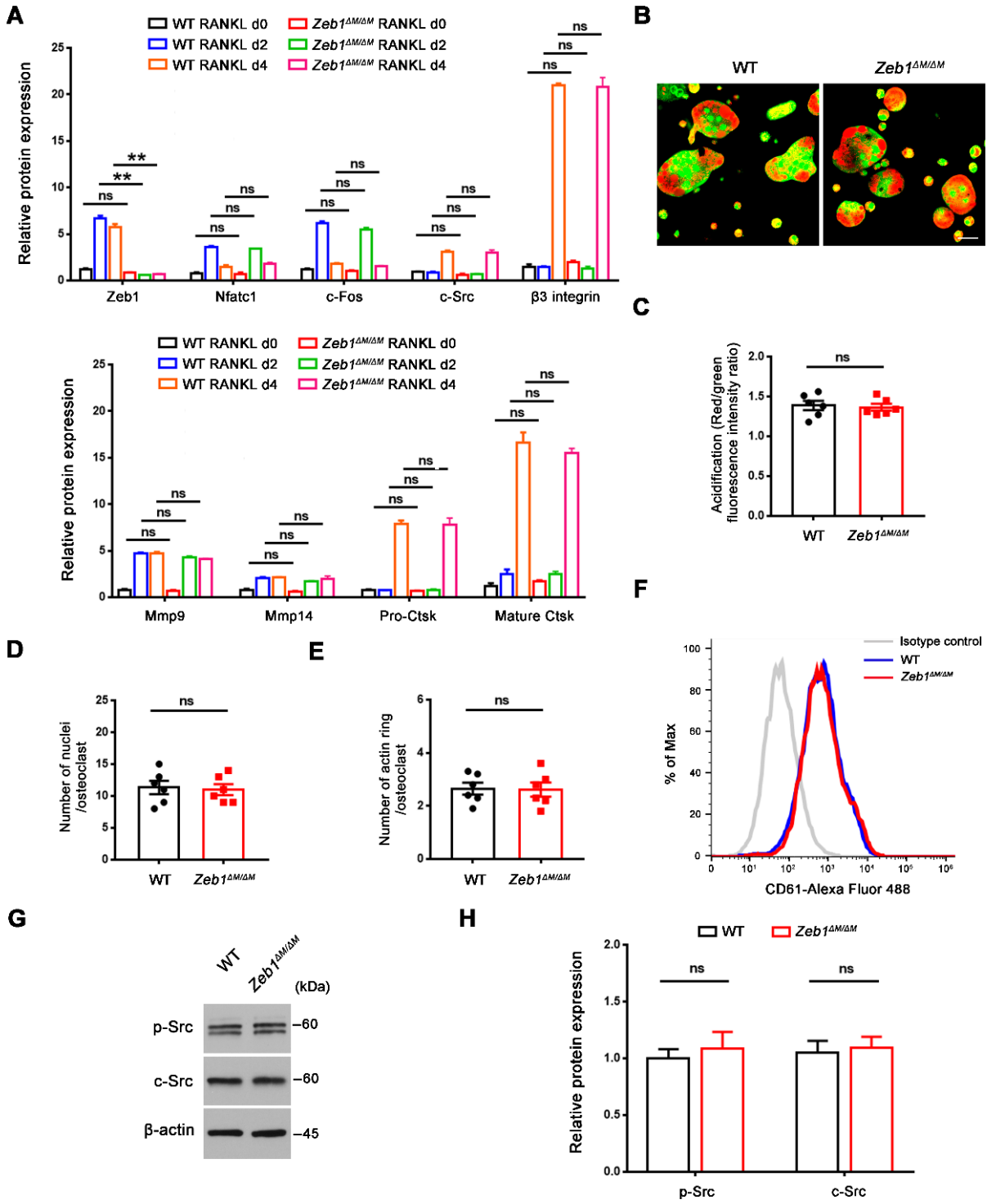
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**Appendix Figure S1. Characterization of *Zeb1* null osteoclast precursors and normal osteoclast differentiation-related gene expression in *Zeb1*-deleted osteoclasts.**

- A Western blot quantification of *Zeb1*, c-*Src*, pro-*Ctsk*, and mature *Ctsk* expression in BMDMs and mature osteoclasts as shown in Fig 1D ( $n = 3$ ).
- B Western blot quantification of ZEB1,  $\beta$ 3 INTEGRIN, and CTSK protein expression in hMDMs and mature hOCs as shown in Fig EV1D ( $n = 3$ ).
- C CD11b expression in wild-type or *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  osteoclast precursor cells as determined by flow cytometry ( $n = 3$ ).
- D Proliferation of wild-type and *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  BMDMs by WST-1 assay ( $n = 6$ ).
- E Wild-type and *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  osteoclasts cultured atop plastic substrata were non-starved or starved for 12h. TUNEL staining was then performed and apoptotic nuclei quantitated ( $n = 3$ ).
- F Relative mRNA expression of *Zeb1*, *Zeb2*, *Acp5*, *Nfatc1*, *c-fos*, *Dcstamp*, *Oscar*, *Itgb3*, *Atp6v0d2*, *Src*, and *Ctsk* in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  mice ( $n = 3$ ).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using unpaired Student's *t* test (A, B, D) or one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (E, F). ns, not significant; \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ .



**Appendix Figure S2. Normal osteoclast differentiation-related protein expression, unaltered surface  $\beta 3$  integrin expression and  $\beta 3$  integrin downstream activation in *Zeb1*-deleted osteoclasts.**

A Western blot quantification of *Zeb1*, *Nfatc1*, *c-Fos*, *c-Src*,  $\beta 3$  integrin, *Mmp9*, *Mmp14*, and *Ctsk* expression in wild-type and *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  BMDMs during osteoclast differentiation as shown in Fig 3B ( $n = 3$ ).

B, C BMDMs were isolated from wild-type or *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  mice and cultured atop bone slices with M-CSF and RANKL for 6 d. Acidification of osteoclast lacunar zones was visualized by acridine orange staining (B) and quantified as the ratio of red versus green fluorescence intensity (C). Scale bar, 20  $\mu\text{m}$ .

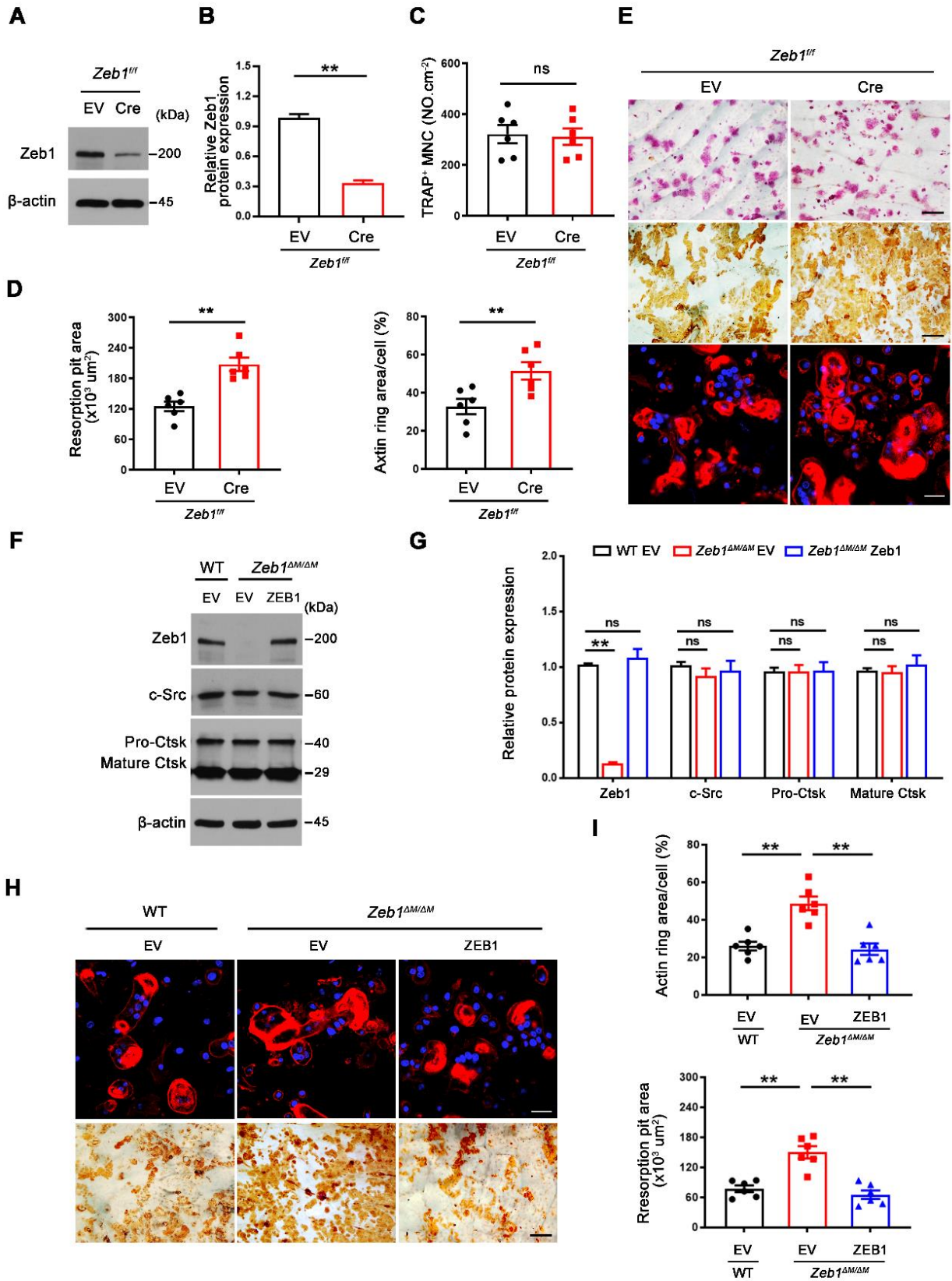
D, E After a 6-day culture atop bone slice, phalloidin staining was performed in wild-type versus *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  osteoclasts, then the number of nuclei per osteoclast (D) and the number of actin ring per osteoclast (E) quantified ( $n = 6$ ).

F Measurements of surface  $\beta 3$  integrin (CD61) expression in osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  mice with flow cytometry ( $n = 3$ ).

G, H Phospho-Src and c-Src expression as assessed by Western blot in wild-type and *Zeb1* <sup>$\Delta M/\Delta M$</sup>  osteoclasts attached on vitronectin-pretreated plate for 30 min (G), and quantified (H;  $n = 3$ ).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (A, H) or unpaired Student's *t* test (C-E). ns, not significant; \*\* $P < 0.01$ .

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**Appendix Figure S3. Temporal requirements for Zeb1 in orchestrating osteoclast function.**

A, B *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> BMDMs were transduced with a lentiviral Cre or an empty expression vector (EV), differentiated into osteoclasts, and cell lysates collected for Zeb1 immunoblotting (A) and quantified (B; *n* = 3).

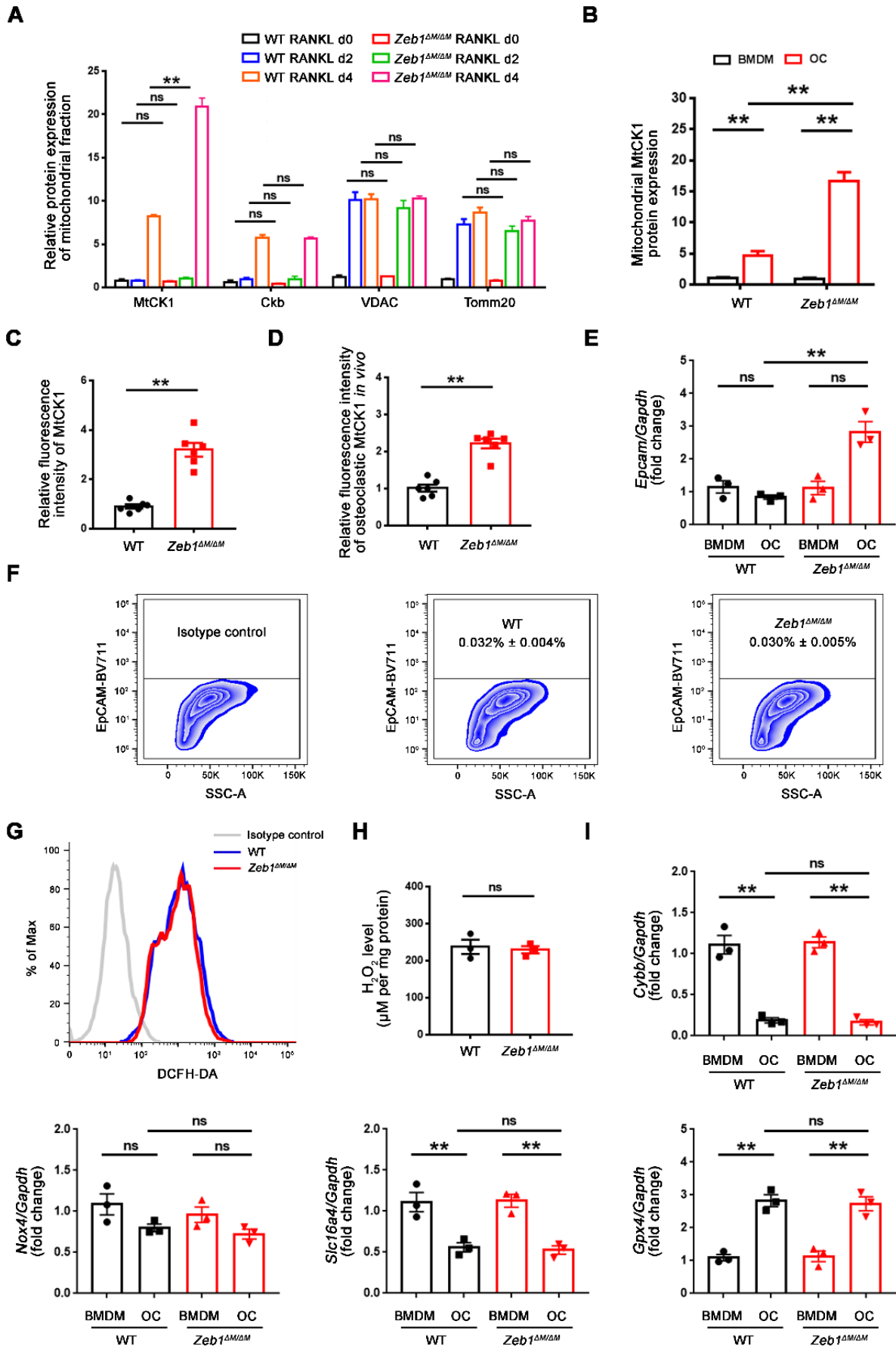
C-E Lentiviral Cre or EV-transduced *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> BMDMs were induced into osteoclasts, cultured atop bone slices for 3 days and cells stained with phalloidin (red) or TRAP. Following osteoclast removal, resorption pits were visualized by WGA-DAB staining (E). Scale bar, upper and middle 100 μm, lower 20 μm. Quantification of TRAP (C), actin ring area per cell, and WGA staining (D; *n* = 6).

F, G An empty control vector (EV)-transduced wild-type BMDMs, and EV- or ZEB1-transduced *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> BMDMs, were differentiated into osteoclasts, and cell lysates collected for Zeb1, c-Src, and Ctsk immunoblotting (F) and quantified (G; *n* = 3).

H, I An empty control vector (EV)-transduced wild-type pre-osteoclasts, and EV- or ZEB1-transduced *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> pre-osteoclasts were cultured atop bone slices for 3 days, stained with phalloidin (red). Osteoclasts were removed and resorption pits visualized by WGA-DAB staining (H). The actin ring area per cell and resorption pit area were quantified (I; *n* = 6).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean ± SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using unpaired Student's *t* test (B-D) or one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (G, I). ns, not significant; \*\**P* < 0.01.

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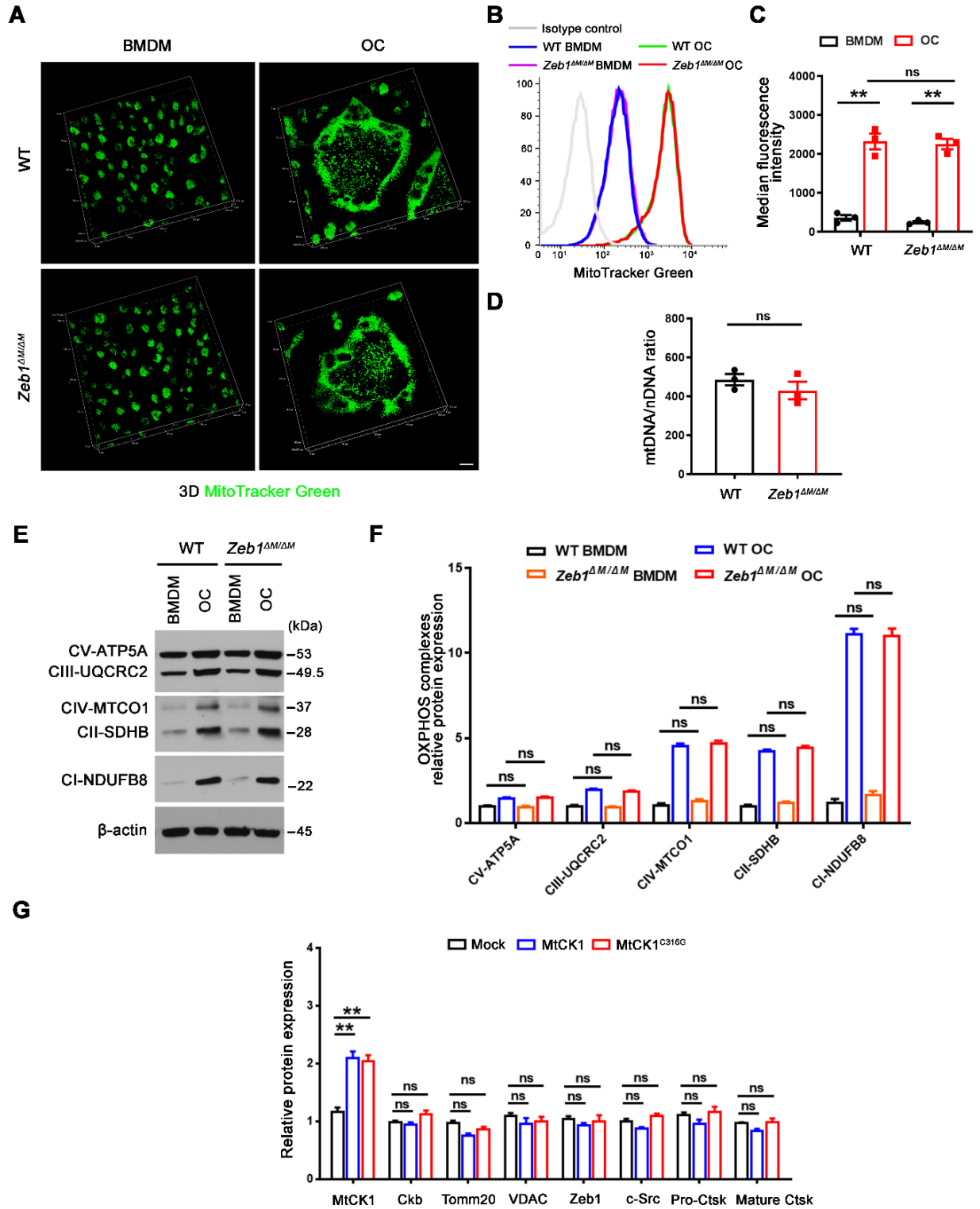




**Appendix Figure S4. Zeb1 regulates osteoclastic MtCK1 expression while the intracellular ROS level and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> production remain unaltered in Zeb1-deleted osteoclasts.**

- A Western blot quantification of MtCK1, Ckb, VDAC, and Tomm20 expression in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice as shown in Fig 4F (*n* = 3).
- B Western blot quantification of MtCK1 expression in the mitochondrial fraction in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice as shown in Fig 4G (*n* = 3).
- C Quantification of MtCK1 immunofluorescence intensity of wild-type and *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> osteoclasts *in vitro* as shown in Fig 4H (*n* = 6).
- D Quantification of MtCK1 immunofluorescence intensity of the TRAP<sup>+</sup> wild-type and *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> osteoclasts of a femur section from wild-type and *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice as shown in Fig EV3D (*n* = 6).
- E Relative mRNA expression of *Epcam* in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice (*n* = 3).
- F Representative FACS plot analysis of EpCAM expression in osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice with flow cytometry (*n* = 3).
- G Measurements of intracellular ROS level by the DCFH-DA probe in osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice with flow cytometry (*n* = 3).
- H Measurements of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> level in wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> osteoclasts *in vitro* (*n* = 3).
- I Relative mRNA expression of *Cybb*, *Nox4*, *Slc16a4*, and *Gpx4* in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice (*n* = 3).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean ± SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (A), two-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (B, E, I), or unpaired Student's *t* test (C, D, H). ns, not significant; \*\**P* < 0.01.



**Appendix Figure S5. *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> osteoclasts display normal mitochondria abundance and mitochondrial complex expression.**

A 3D reconstruction of MitoTracker Green immunofluorescence of wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> osteoclasts. Scale bar, 20 μm.

B, C Measurements of mitochondrial mass of BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice using MitoTracker Green with flow cytometry (B) and quantified (C; *n* = 3).

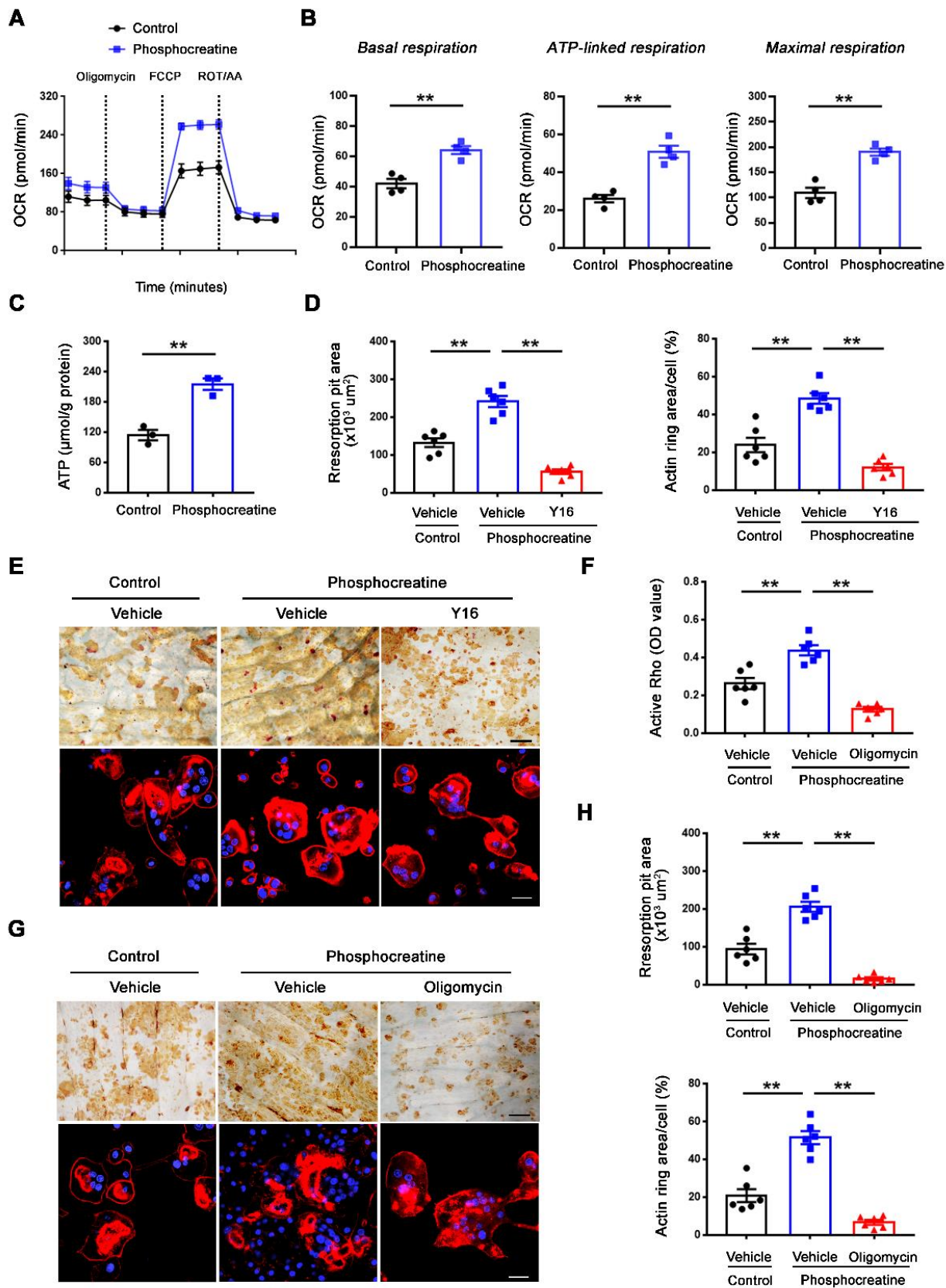
D Relative mtDNA copy number per nuclear genome in osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice (*n* = 3).

E, F OXPHOS protein expression as assessed by Western blot (E) in osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice and quantified (F; *n* = 3).

G Western blot quantification of MtCK1, Ckb, Tomm20, VDAC, Zeb1, c-Src, Pro-Ctsk, and mature Ctsk expression in osteoclasts differentiated from the mock vector, wild-type human MtCK1, or a catalytically-inactive MtCK1<sup>C316G</sup> mutant expression vector-transduced wild-type BMDMs (*n* = 3).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean ± SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using two-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (C), unpaired Student's *t* test (D), or one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (F, G). ns, not significant; \*\**P* < 0.01.

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**Appendix Figure S6. Phosphocreatine potentiates mitochondrial bioenergetics and osteoclast activation *in vitro*.**

A, B Oxygen consumption rate (OCR) profile plot (A) and mitochondrial function parameters (B) analyzed by XF Cell Mito Stress Assay in phosphocreatine-treated wild-type osteoclasts after sequential treatment of compounds modulating mitochondrial function ( $n = 4$ ).

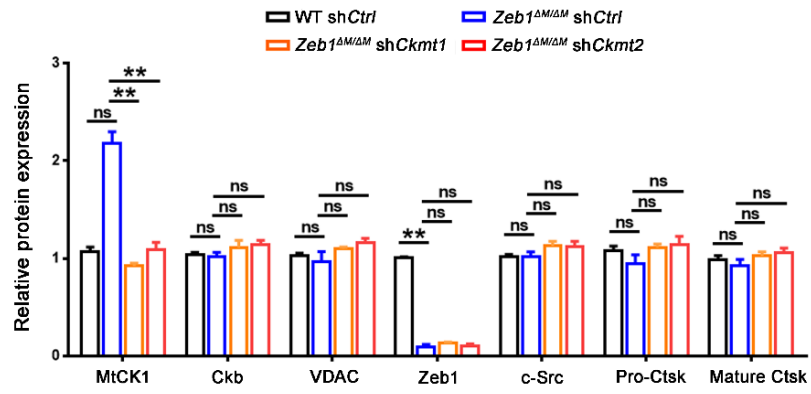
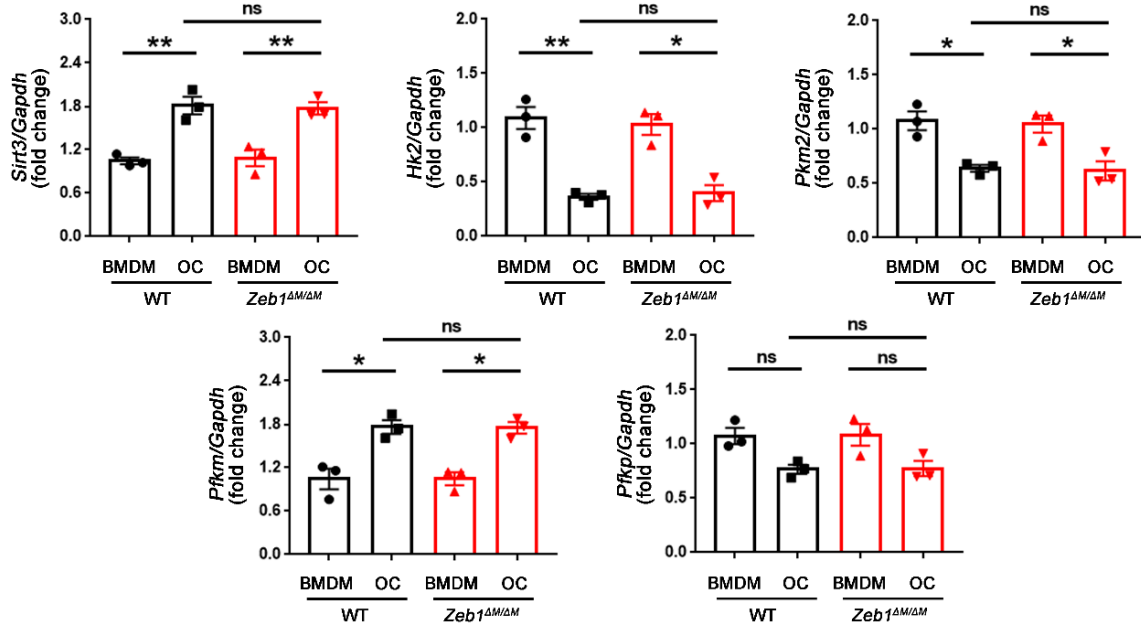
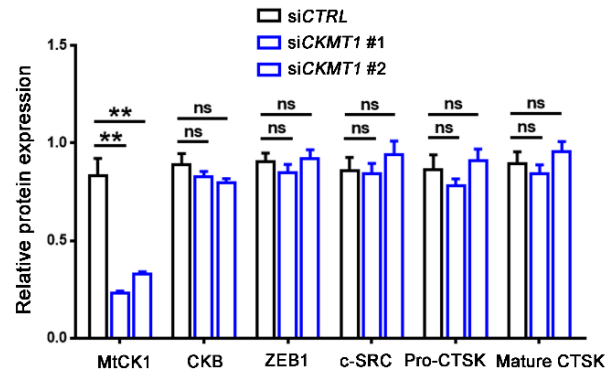
C ATP levels of phosphocreatine-treated wild-type osteoclasts ( $n = 3$ ).

D, E Resorption pits visualized with WGA-DAB staining and phalloidin staining (E) in phosphocreatine-treated wild-type osteoclasts in the presence or absence of 50  $\mu$ M Y16 cultured on bone slices with the resorption pit area and actin ring area per cell quantified (D;  $n = 6$ ).

F RhoA activity of phosphocreatine-treated wild-type osteoclasts in the presence or absence of 10 nM oligomycin ( $n = 6$ ).

G, H Resorption pits visualized with WGA-DAB staining and phalloidin staining (G) in phosphocreatine-treated wild-type osteoclasts in the presence or absence of 10 nM oligomycin cultured on bone slices with the resorption pit area and actin ring area per cell quantified (H;  $n = 6$ ).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using unpaired Student's *t* test (B, C) or one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (D, F, H). \*\* $P < 0.01$ .

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**Appendix Figure S7. The alternative involvement of other key cellular metabolism-related genes is excluded during Zeb1-regulated osteoclast activity.**

A Western blot quantification of MtCK1, Ckb, VDAC, Zeb1, c-Src, pro-Ctsk, and mature Ctsk expression in osteoclasts differentiated from sh*Ctrl*-transduced wild-type BMDMs, and sh*Ctrl*- or sh*Ckmt1*-transduced *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> BMDMs as shown in Fig EV4E (*n* = 3).

B Relative mRNA expression of *Sirt3*, *Hk2*, *Pkm2*, *Pfkm*, and *Pfkp* in BMDMs and osteoclasts generated from wild-type or *Zeb1*<sup>ΔM/ΔM</sup> mice (*n* = 3).

C Western blot quantification of MtCK1, CKB, ZEB1, c-SRC, pro-CTSK, and mature CTSK expression in human osteoclasts differentiated from si*CTRL*- or si*CKMT1*-transfected hMDMs as shown in Fig EV5A (*n* = 3).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean ± SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (A, C) or two-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction (B). ns, not significant; \**P* < 0.05, \*\**P* < 0.01.





**Appendix Figure S8. Differentially regulated Zeb1 and MtCK1 level in osteoclasts when cultured on bone substrate.**

A Zeb1 (green) and F-actin (red) immunofluorescence of wild-type osteoclasts cultured on glass and bone substrate. Scale bar, 20  $\mu\text{m}$ .

B MtCK1 (green) and F-actin (red) immunofluorescence of wild-type osteoclasts cultured on glass and bone substrate. Scale bar, 20  $\mu\text{m}$ .

C Quantification of Zeb1 immunofluorescence intensity of wild-type osteoclasts cultured on glass and bone substrate as shown in Appendix Fig S8A ( $n = 6$ ).

D Quantification of MtCK1 immunofluorescence intensity of wild-type osteoclasts cultured on glass and bone substrate as shown in Appendix Fig S8B ( $n = 6$ ).

Data information: Bars and error bars represent mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data are representative of at least 3 independent experiments with biological replicates. Data were analyzed using unpaired Student's  $t$  test (C, D).  $**P < 0.01$ .

**Appendix Table S1. Genotyping PCR primers.**

<b>Allele</b>	<b>Sequence (5' to 3')</b>
<i>Zeb1<sup>flox</sup>_fwd</i>	CGTGATGGAGCCAGAATCTGACCCC
<i>Zeb1<sup>flox</sup>_rev</i>	GCCCTGTCTTTCTCAGCAGTGTGG
<i>Zeb1<sup>del</sup>_rev</i>	GCCATCTCACCAGCCCTTACTGTGC
<i>Csf1r-Cre_fwd</i>	ACAACCTACCTGTTCTGCCG
<i>Csf1r-Cre_rev</i>	GCCTCAAAGATCCCTTCCAG

**Appendix Table S2. Quantitative real-time PCR primers.**

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Forward (5' to 3')</b>	<b>Reverse (5' to 3')</b>
<i>Mouse Zeb1</i>	GCTGGCAAGACAACGTGAAAG	GCCTCAGGATAAATGACGGC
<i>Mouse Zeb2</i>	ATTGCACATCAGACTTTGAGGAA	ATAATGGCCGTGTCGCTTCG
<i>Mouse Acp5</i>	CACTCCCACCCTGAGATTTGT	CCCCAGAGACATGATGAAGTCA
<i>Mouse Nfatc1</i>	GACCCGGAGTTCGACTTCG	TGACACTAGGGGACACATAACT G
<i>Mouse c-fos</i>	CGGGTTTCAACGCCGACTA	TTGGCACTAGAGACGGACAGA
<i>Mouse Dcstamp</i>	GGGGACTTATGTGTTCCACG	ACAAAGCAACAGACTCCCAAAT
<i>Mouse Oscar</i>	CCTAGCCTCATACCCCCAG	CGTTGATCCCAGGAGTCACAA
<i>Mouse Itgb3</i>	CCACACGAGGCGTGAACTC	CTTCAGGTTACATCGGGGTGA
<i>Mouse Src</i>	GAACCCGAGAGGGACCTTC	GAGGCAGTAGGCACCTTTTGT
<i>Mouse Atp6v0d2</i>	CAGAGCTGTACTTCAATGTGGAC	AGGTCTCACACTGCACTAGGT
<i>Mouse Ctsk</i>	AGGTCGGTGTGAACGGATTTG	TGTAGACCATGTAGTTGAGGTCA
<i>Mouse Slc6a8</i>	GCAGGGTGTGCATATCTCCAA	TACCCCACTCACATCAGTCA
<i>Mouse Slc6a12</i>	TGCTTCCTTGTTACCATCTGC	CATGCTGTTTGGGAGTAATCCT
<i>Mouse Gatm</i>	GCTTCCTCCCGAAATTCCTGT	CCTCTAAAGGGTCCCATTTCGT
<i>Mouse Gamt</i>	CACGCACCTGCAAATCCTG	TACCGAAGCCCACTTCCAAGA
<i>Mouse Ckmt1</i>	TGTCTTCAAGAGTCAGAACTGGC	AGCATCCACCACAACACGTT
<i>Mouse MtCK2</i>	ACACCCAGTGGCTATACCCTG	CCGTAGGATGCTTCATCACCC
<i>Mouse Ckb</i>	AGTTCCTGATCTGAGCAGC	GAATGGCGTCGTCCAAAGTAA
<i>Mouse Ckm</i>	CTGACCCCTGACCTCTACAAT	CATGGCGGTCCTGGATGAT
<i>Mouse Gapdh</i>	AGGTCGGTGTGAACGGATTTG	AGGTCGGTGTGAACGGATTTG
<i>Human ZEB1</i>	CAGCTTGATACCTGTGAATGGG	TATCTGTGGTCGTGTGGGACT
<i>Human CKMT1</i>	TGAGGAGACCTATGAGGTATTTGC	CTCATCAAAGTAGCCAGAACGG
<i>Human CTSK</i>	ACACCCACTGGGAGCTATG	GACAGGGGTACTTTGAGTCCA
<i>Human</i>	GGAGCGAGATCCCTCCAAAAT	GGCTGTTGTCATACTTCTCATGG

<i>GAPDH</i>		
<i>Mouse Epcam</i>	GCGGCTCAGAGAGACTGTG	CCAAGCATTTAGACGCCAGTTT
<i>Mouse Cybb</i>	AGTGCGTGTTGCTCGACAA	GCGGTGTGCAGTGCTATCAT
<i>Mouse Nox4</i>	GAAGGGGTAAACACCTCTGC	ATGCTCTGCTTAAACACAATCCT
<i>Mouse Slc16a4</i>	AAAACGCCCTCCCCTTACAC	CCAATTTGCTCTGAAGTGCCT
<i>Mouse Gpx4</i>	GATGGAGCCCATTCTGAACC	CCCTGTACTTATCCAGGCAGA
<i>Mouse cytochrome c oxidase I</i>	GCCCCAGATATAGCATTCCC	GTTTCATCCTGTTCCCTGCTCC
<i>18s ribosomal RNA</i>	TAGAGGGACAAGTGGCGTTC	CGCTGAGCCAGTCAGTGT
<i>Mouse Ppargc1b</i>	CCCTGTACTTATCCAGGCAGA	GAAAGCTCGTCCACGTCAGAC
<i>Mouse Sirt3</i>	ATCCCGGACTTCAGATCCCC	CAACATGAAAAAGGGCTTGGG
<i>Mouse Hk2</i>	TGATCGCCTGCTTATTCACGG	AACCGCCTAGAAATCTCCAGA
<i>Mouse Pkm2</i>	GCCGCCTGGACATTGACTC	CCATGAGAGAAATTCAGCCGAG
<i>Mouse Pfkf</i>	TGTGGTCCGAGTTGGTATCTT	GCACTTCCAATCACTGTGCC
<i>Mouse Pfkf</i>	GAAACATGAGGCGTTCTGTGT	CCCGGCACATTGTTGGAGA