

**Insufficiency of phosphatidylethanolamine *N*-methyltransferase is risk for
lean non-alcoholic steatohepatitis**

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Supplemental Figure legends

Supplemental Figure 1. Body weight and glucose tolerance in Pemt^{+/+}, Pemt^{+/-}, Pemt^{-/-} mice under standard (STD) and high fat-high sucrose (HFHS) diets. **a.** Body weight of Pemt^{+/+}, Pemt^{+/-}, Pemt^{-/-} mice under STD and HFHS diets. n=8-26. **b** and **c.** Epididymal fat (**b**) and liver weight (**c**) of Pemt^{+/+}, Pemt^{+/-} and Pemt^{-/-} mice at 25 weeks of age. n=5-9. **d-g.** Glucose tolerance test at 12 weeks of age (1.5 mg/kg BW *i.p.*). n=6-13. **h** and **i.** Insulin tolerance test at 12 weeks of age (0.75 IU/kg for STD and 1.0 IU/kg BW for HFHS *i.p.*). n = 5-9. All values are presented as mean ± SE. *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01 versus Pemt^{+/+} mice.

Supplemental Figure 2. Metabolic data of Pemt^{+/+}, Pemt^{+/-}, Pemt^{-/-} mice under standard (STD) and high fat-high sucrose (HFHS) diet at 25 weeks of age. **a.** *ad Libitum* Blood glucose. **b.** Fasting blood glucose. **c.** Serum total cholesterol. **d.** Serum triglyceride. **e.** Serum adiponectin levels. **f.** Serum leptin levels. All data are presented as mean ± SE. n =5-6. *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01.

Supplemental Figure 3. Macrophage infiltration and expression of fibrogenic molecules in the liver under high fat-high sucrose (HFHS) diets. **a.** Immunostaining of F4/80. Bar=100 µm. **b.** Western blot analyses of liver samples.

Supplemental Figure 4. Electron micrograph of hepatocytes in Pemt^{+/+} and Pemt^{-/-} fed with high fat-high sucrose (HFHS) diets at 25 weeks of age. **a.** Marked deposition of glycogen granules (asterisk) in Pemt^{+/+} mice under HFHS diet. **b.** Apparently large lipid droplets (L) and decreased glycogen granules in Pemt^{-/-} mice under HFHS diet. **c.**

Prominent rough endoplasmic reticulum (ER) with lamellar structure in Pemt^{+/+} mice under HFHS diet. **d.** Numerous large mitochondria (M) and round-shaped smooth ER in Pemt^{-/-} mice.

Supplemental Figure 5. Western blotting analyses of H-4-II-E-C-3 cells treated with shRNA-CTRL or shRNA-Pemt. Insulin-induced up-regulation of pro-apoptotic cleaved caspases 3 and 7 are suppressed and anti-apoptotic Akt phosphorylation is enhanced by knockdown of Pemt. Palmitate-induced pro-apoptotic molecules, cleaved caspases 3 and 7, increased in shRNA-PEMT-treated cells. NG; normal glucose (5 mM), HG; high glucose (25 mM).

Supplemental Figure 6. Interaction of Pemt with clathrin heavy chain (CHC) and Pemt-CHC-p53 tri-complex formation. **a.** Immunoprecipitation using COS-7 cells expressing FLAG-Pemt and myc-CHC. FLAG-Pemt interacts with p53-binding (1074-1406) and clathrin light chain-binding (1267-1513) domains of CHC tagged with myc-epitope. **b.** Immunoprecipitation of nuclear lysates of NIN3T3 cells with anti-p53 antibodies. The formation of p53 and Pemt complex is confirmed. **c.** Immunoprecipitation of nuclear proteins of liver tissues with anti-p53 antibodies. The complex formation is also confirmed in liver tissues.

Supplemental Figure 7. Down-regulation of clathrin heacy chain (CHC) by overexpression of Pemt. COS-7 cells were transfected with FLAG-Pemt and myc-CHC in different concentrations. **a.** Incremental doses of myc-CHC upregulates the expression of FLAG-Pemt. **b.** The expression of CHC is suppressed by overexpression of FLAG-Pemt in a

dose-dependent manner. **c.** Western blot analysis of liver protein of Pemt^{+/+}, Pemt^{+/-}, Pemt^{-/-} mice under standard (STD) or high fat-high sucrose (HFHS) diet at 25 weeks of age. The expression of CHC increased under HFHS diet and further enhanced by deficiency of Pemt. **d.** Western blot analysis of liver nuclear protein. Liver tissues were excised out at 15 minutes after intraperitoneal injection of 5 units of human insulin and the nuclear proteins were extracted from Pemt^{+/+} mice under STD or HFHS diet at 25 weeks of age.

Supplemental Figure 8. UCSC genome browser view showing the methylation status of F-box only protein 31 (Fbxo31). Model-based Analysis of ChIP-Seq (MACS)_peak_1995 (Red square) is one of the enrichment regions listed on Supplemental Table 2. At this region, the sequence depth of genomic DNA methylation of Pemt^{-/-} mice (Blue) under high fat-high sucrose diet at 25 weeks of old was significantly increased compared to Pemt^{+/+} mice (Dark red).

Supplemental Figure 9. UCSC genome browser view showing the methylation status of hepatocyte nuclear factor 4 alpha (HNF4α). Model-based Analysis of ChIP-Seq (MACS)_peak_1221 (Red square) is one of the enrichment regions listed on Supplemental Table 2. At this region, the sequence depth of genomic DNA methylation of Pemt^{-/-} mice (Blue) under high fat-high sucrose diet at 25 weeks of old was significantly increased compared to Pemt^{+/+} mice (Dark red).

Supplemental Figure 10. Pemt mRNA expression in Japanese patients with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis and simple steatosis. The patients were divided into quartile (Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4) according to Pemt mRNA levels of liver samples. Lower

quartile of Pemt mRNA (Q2) demonstrated lower body-mass-index (BMI) and platelet counts.

All data are means \pm SE. n=8 (Q1), 8 (Q2), 10 (Q3), 8 (Q4). * $P < 0.05$.

Supplemental Figure 11 Uncropped images for the blots shown in Figure 4.

Supplemental Figure 12 Uncropped images for the blots shown in Figures 5 and 6.

Supplemental Figure 13 Uncropped images for the blots shown in Figure S3.

Supplemental Figure 14 Uncropped images for the blots shown in Figure S5.

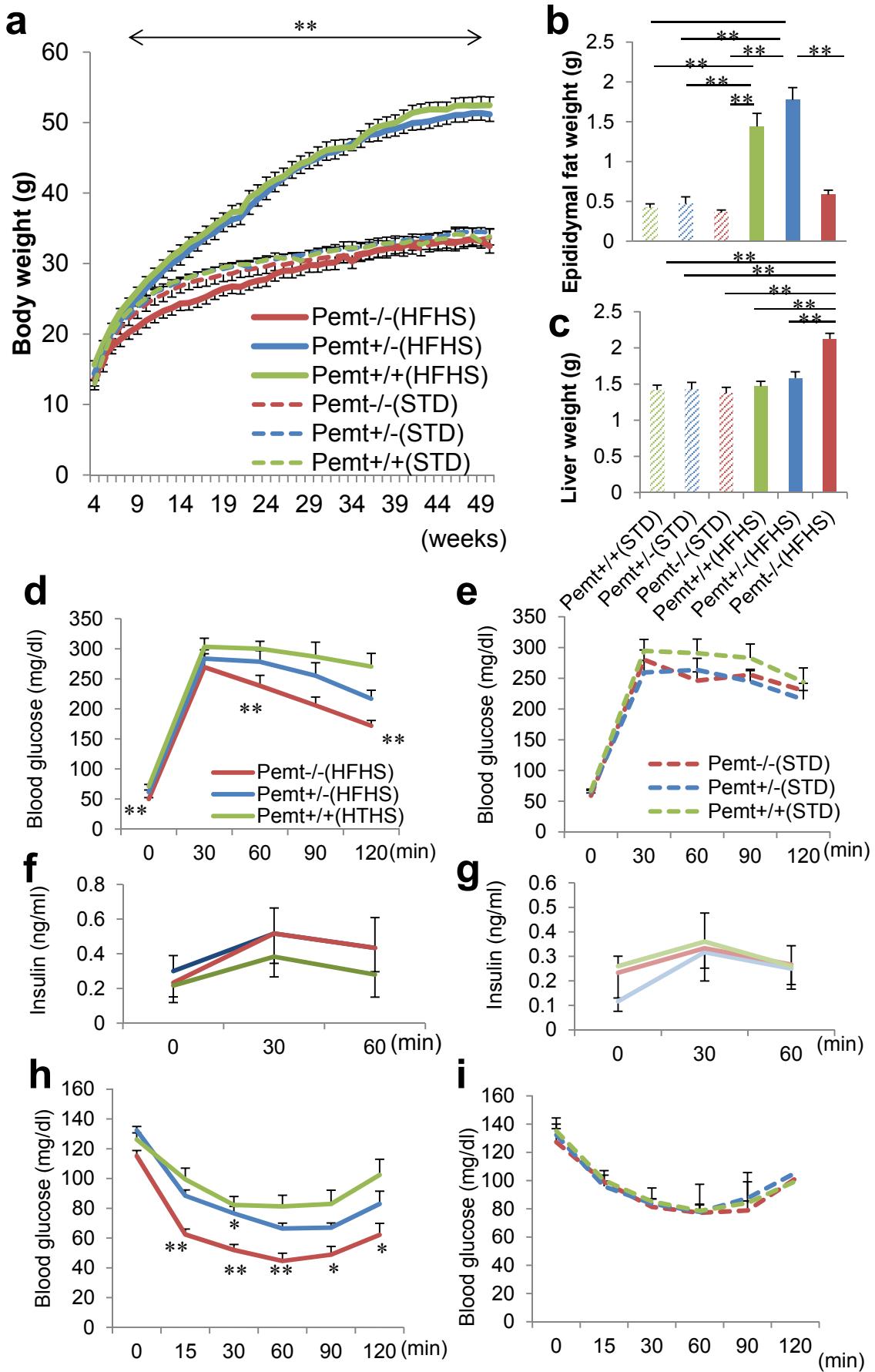
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Supplemental Figure 16 Uncropped images for the blots shown in Figure S7.

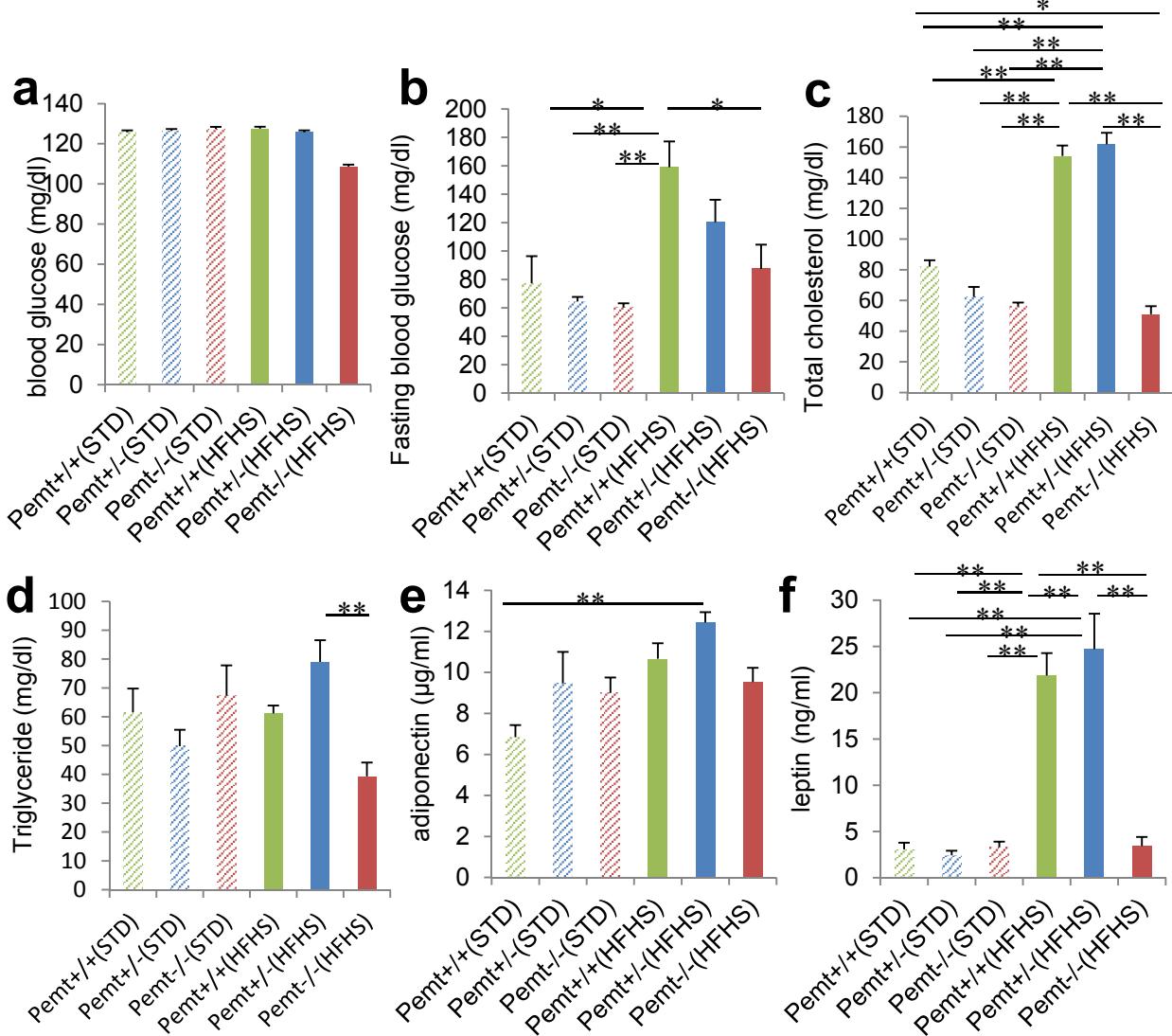
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Supplemental Figure 18 Graphical summary of the results.

Supplemental Figure 1

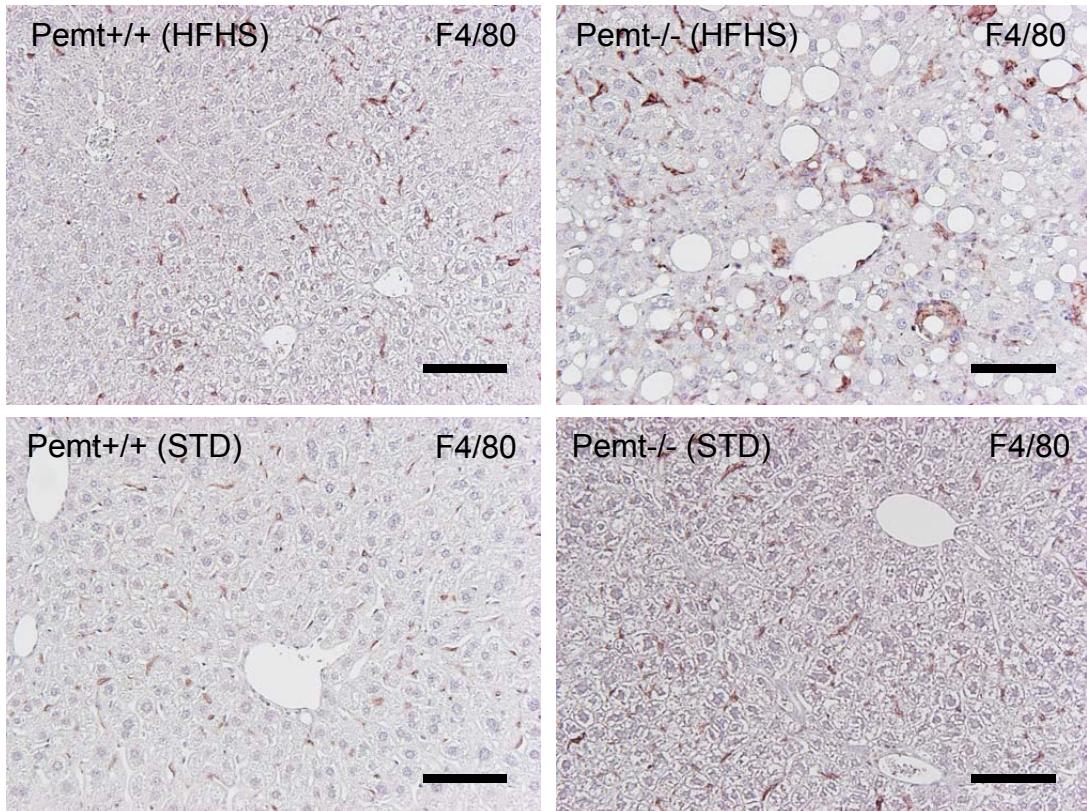


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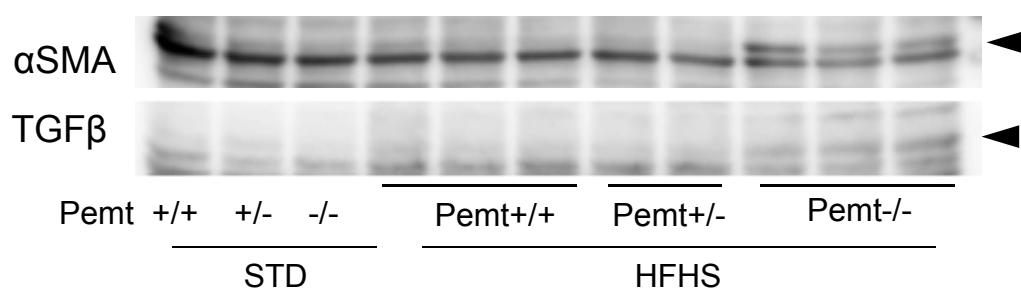


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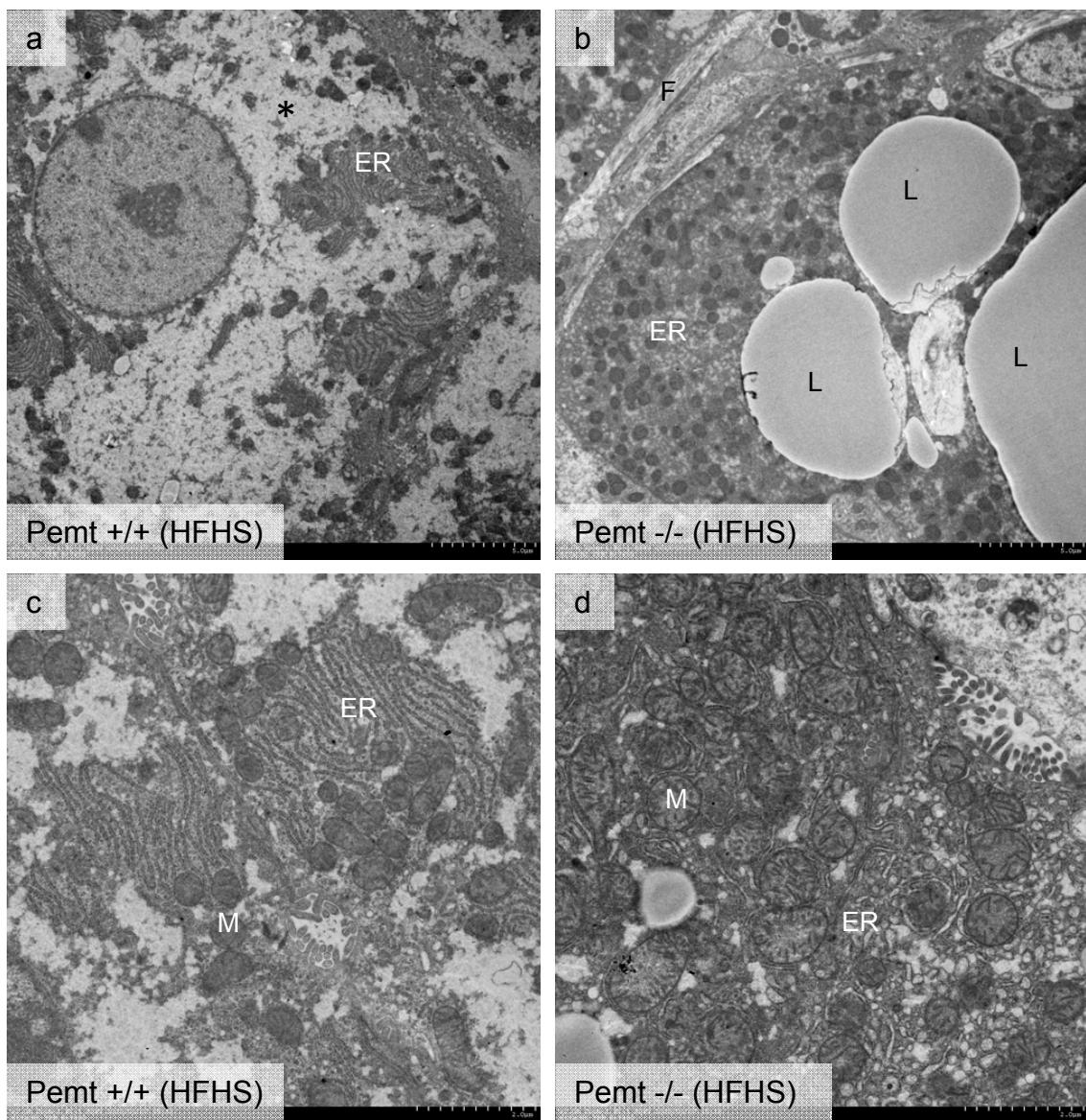
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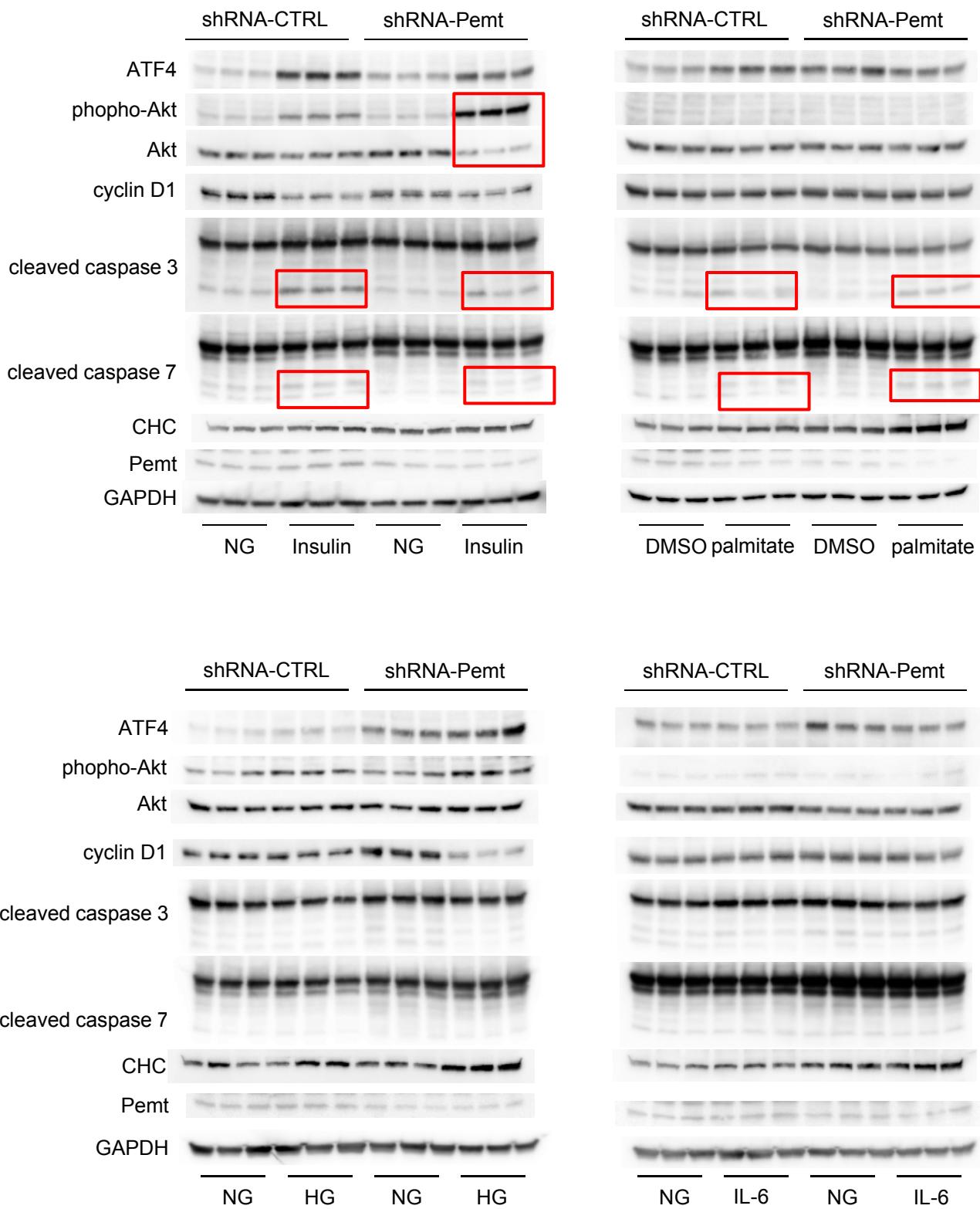
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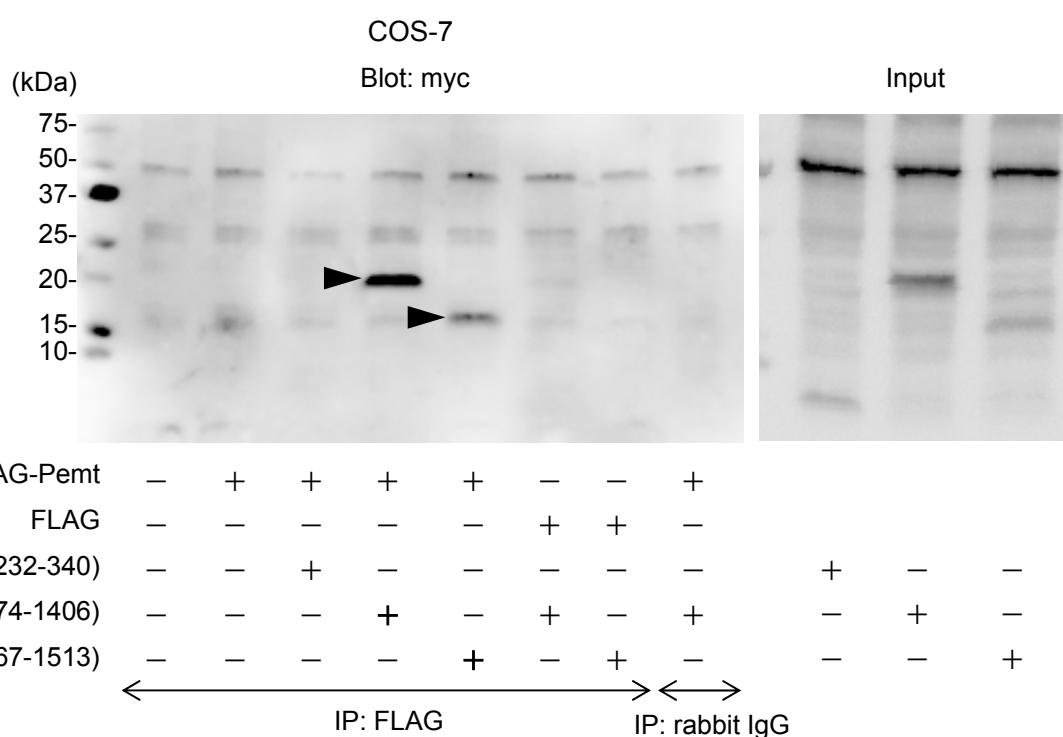


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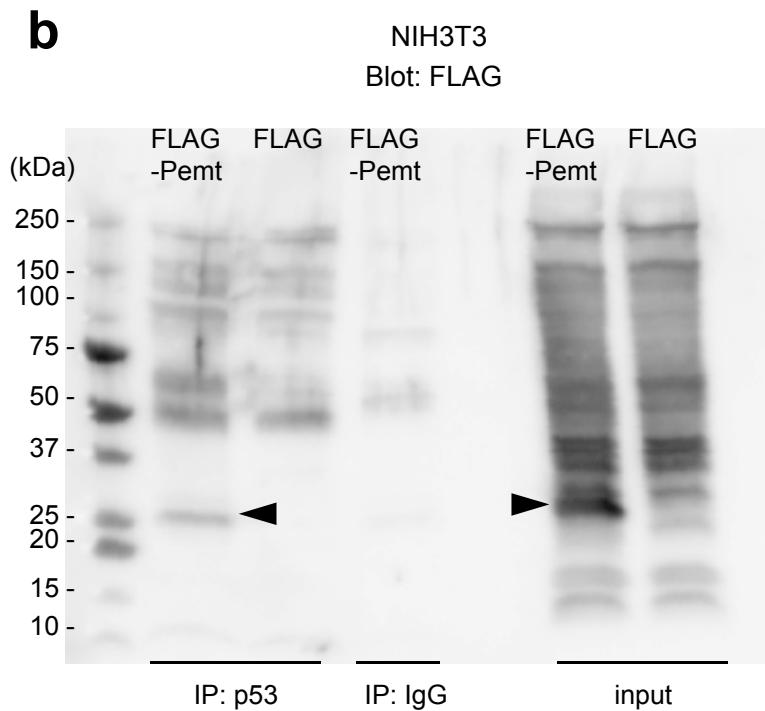


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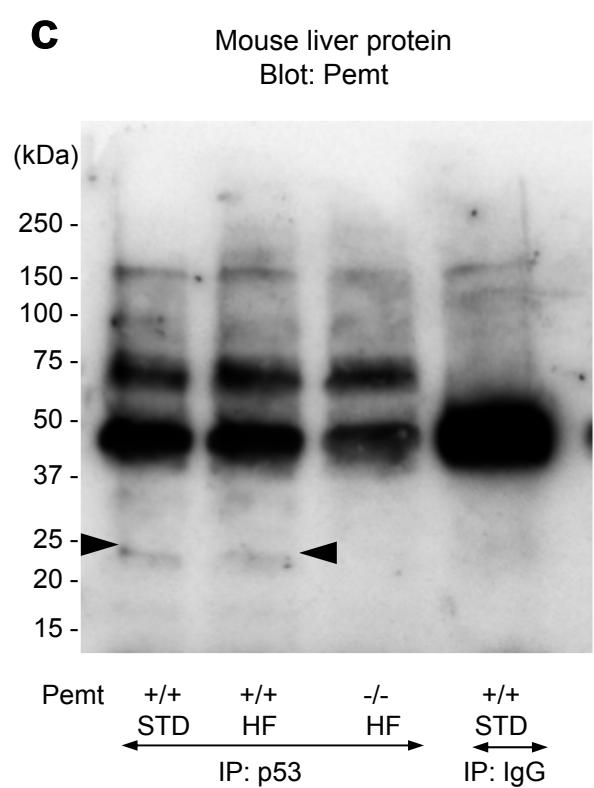
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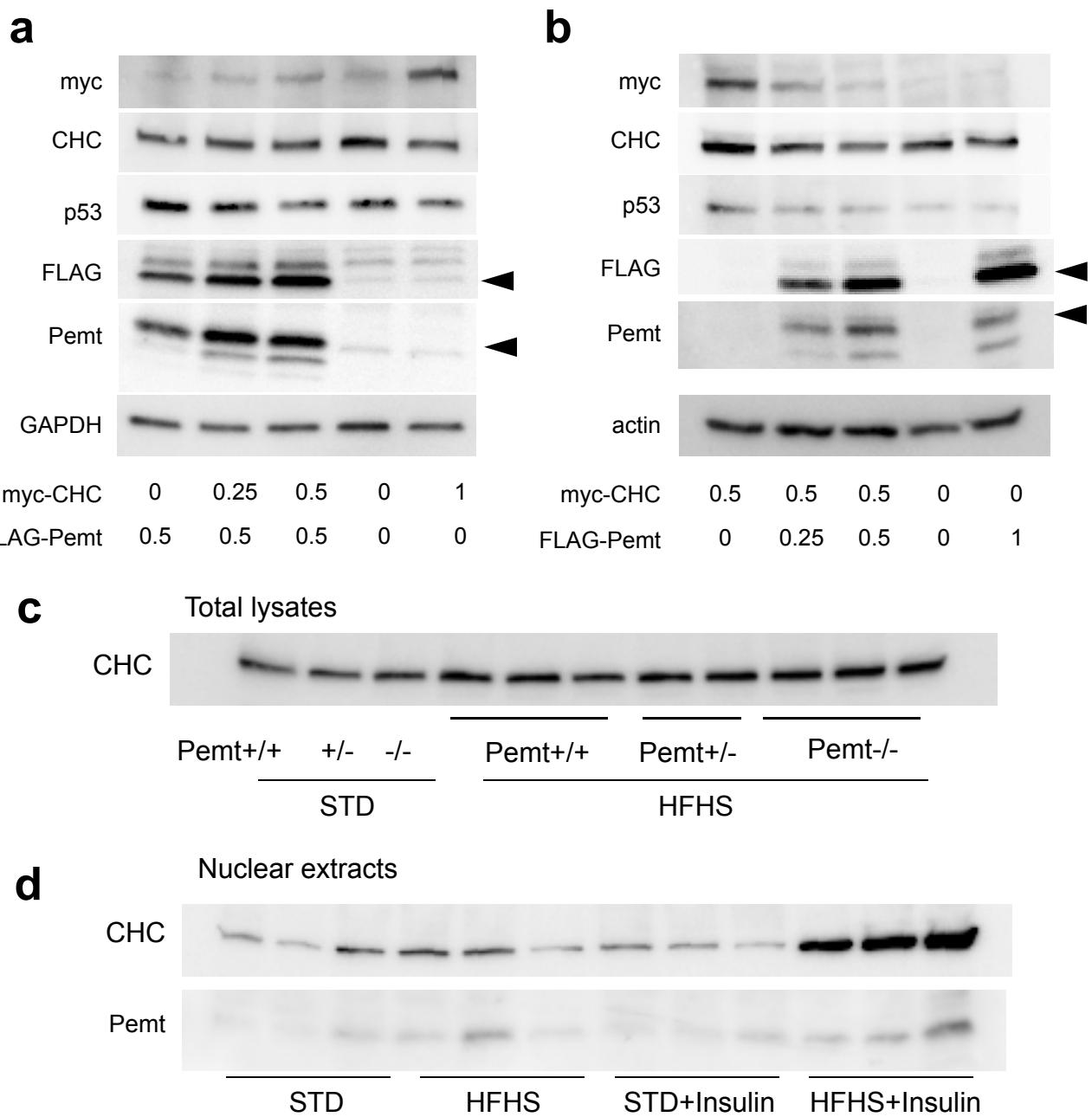
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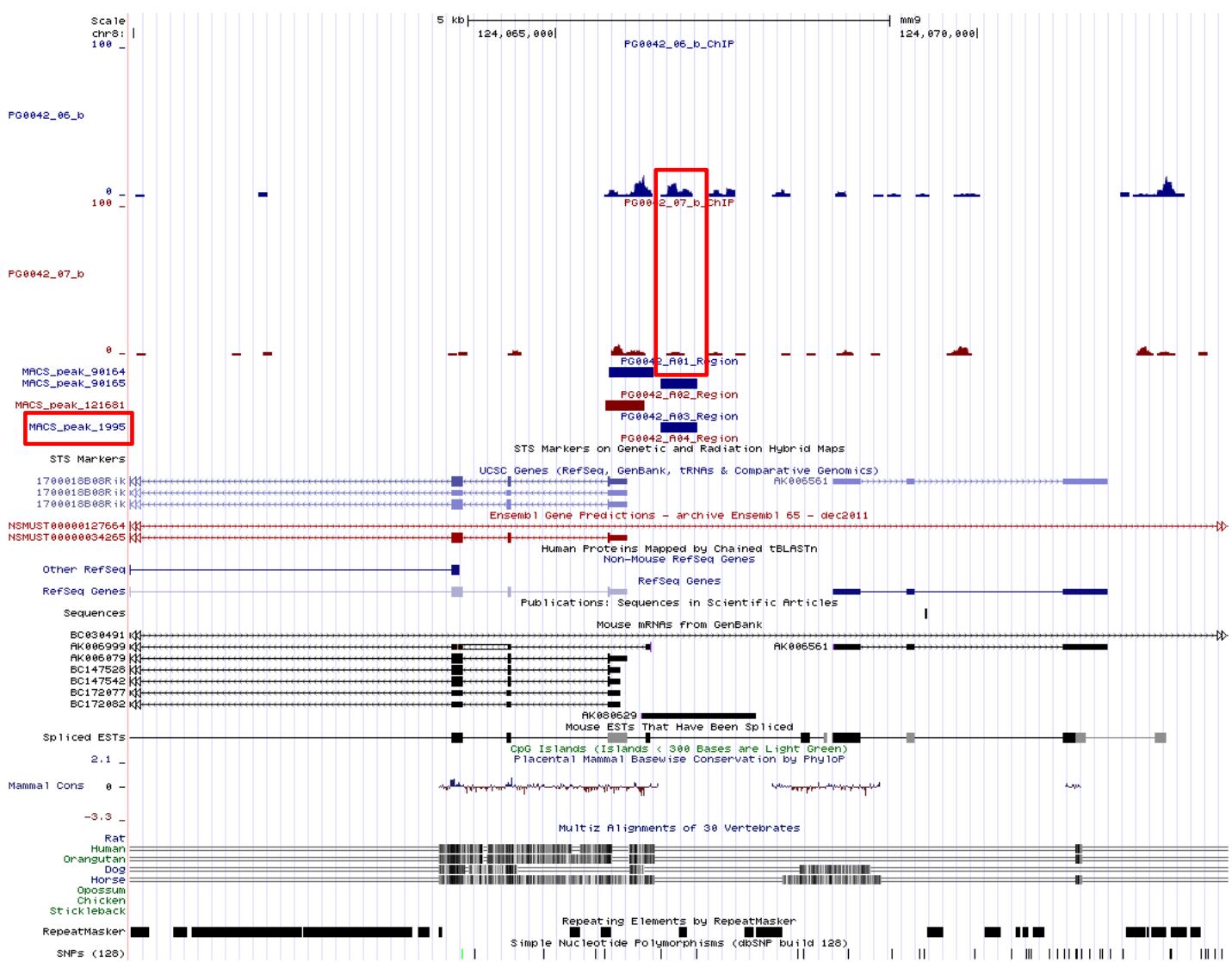


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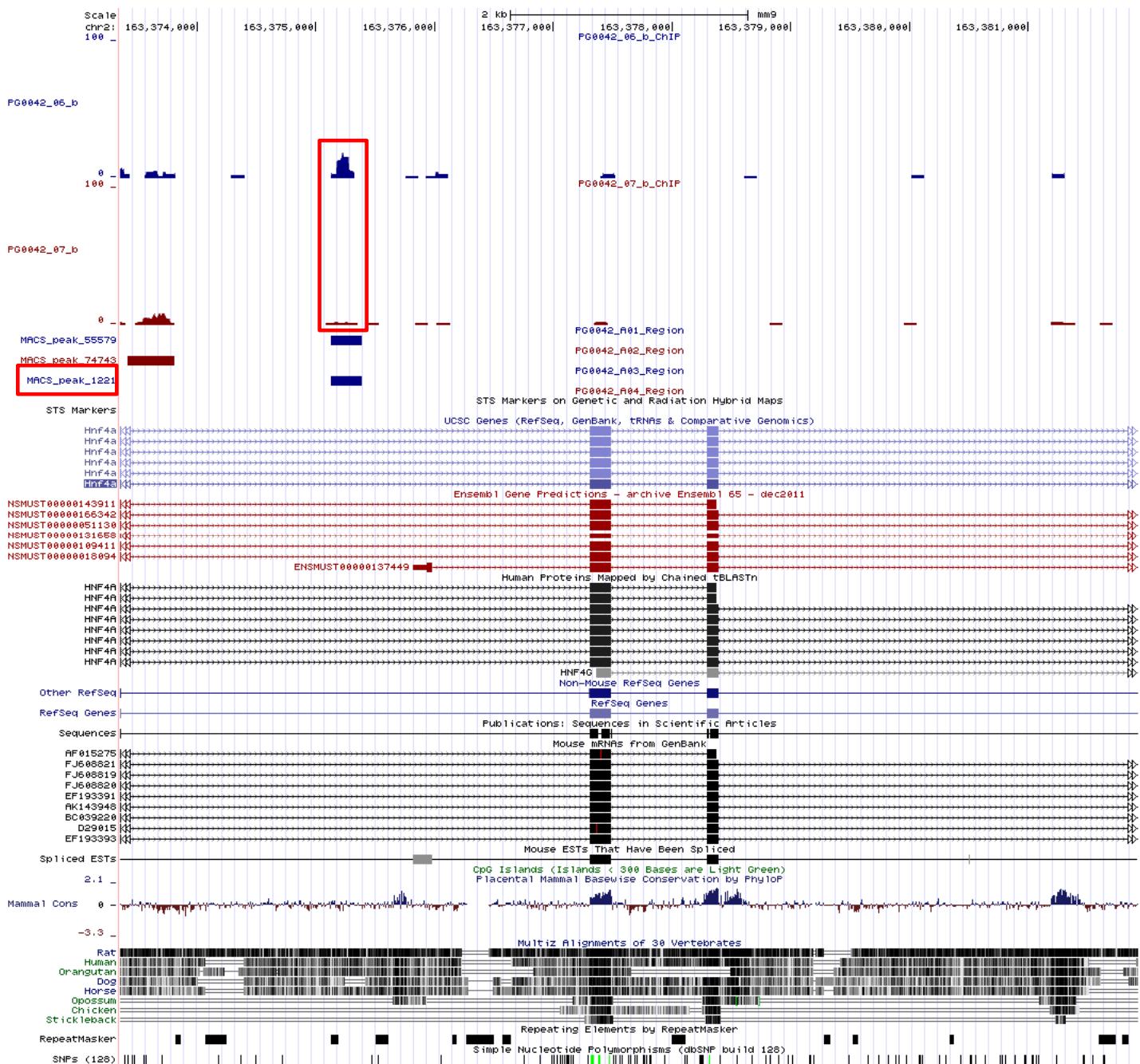
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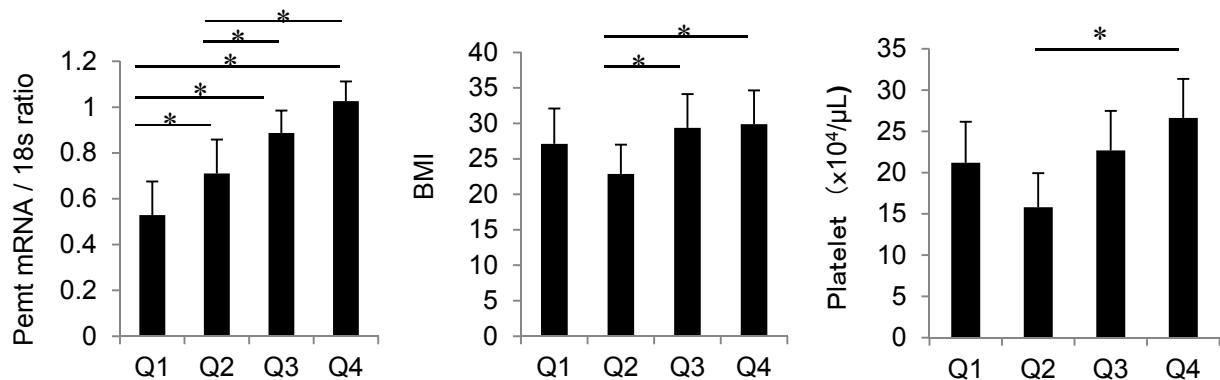


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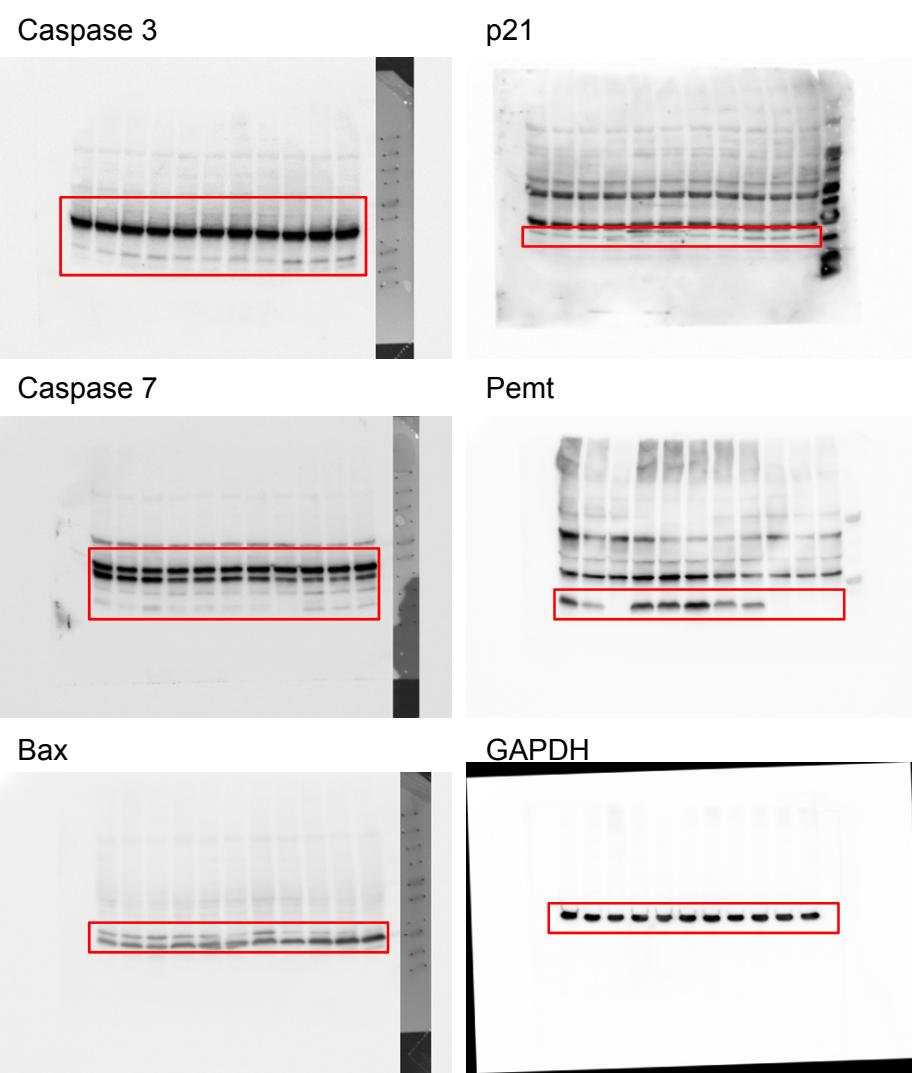


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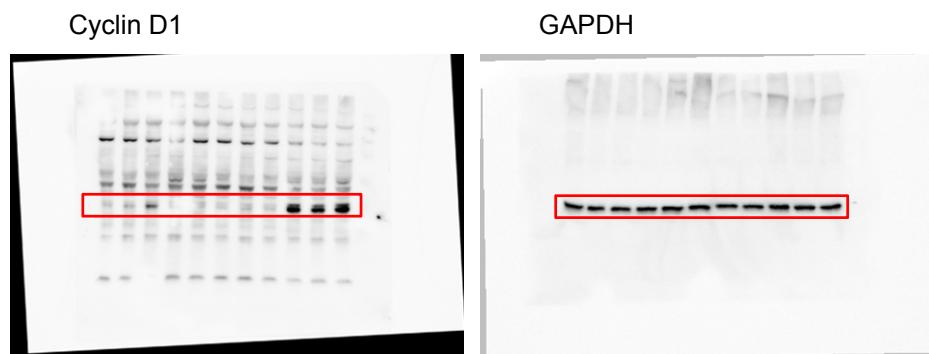
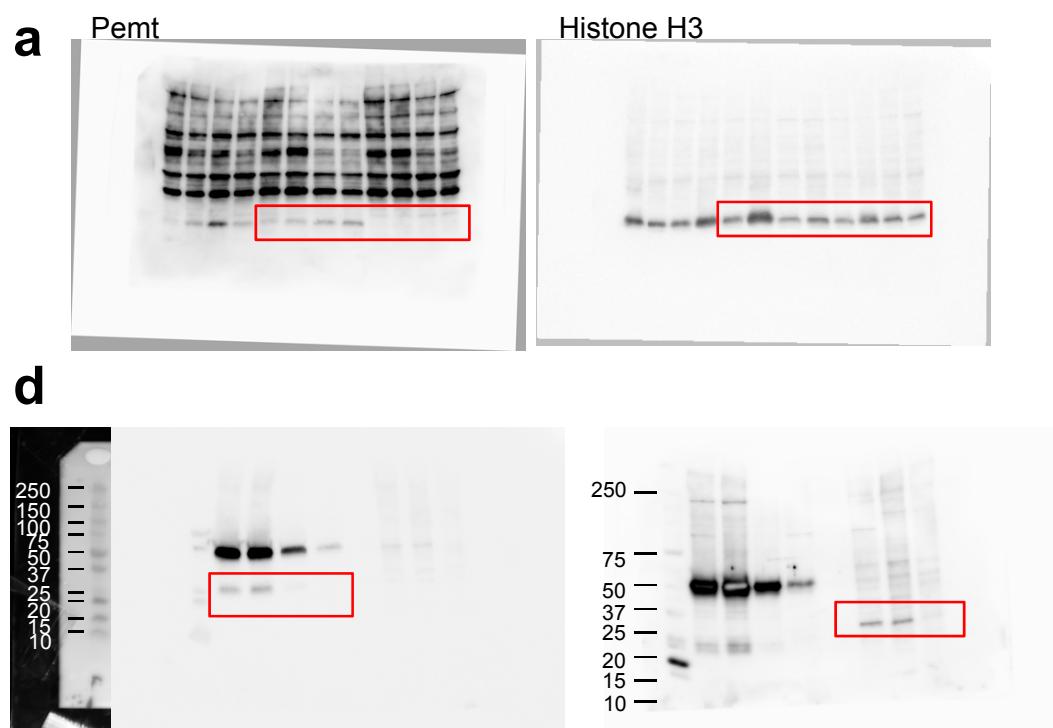
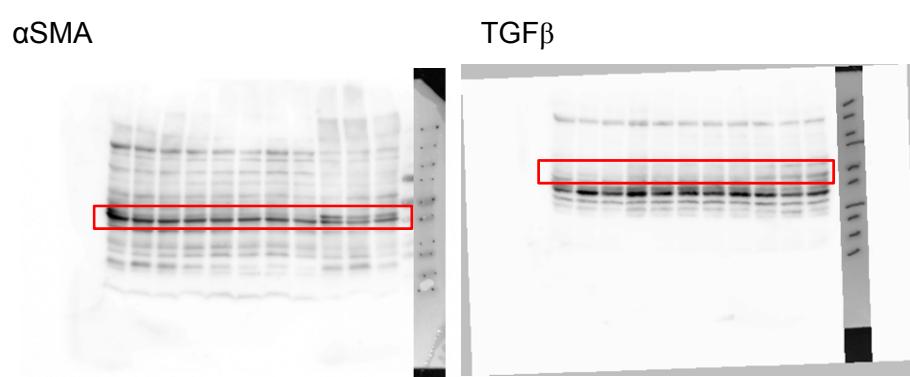


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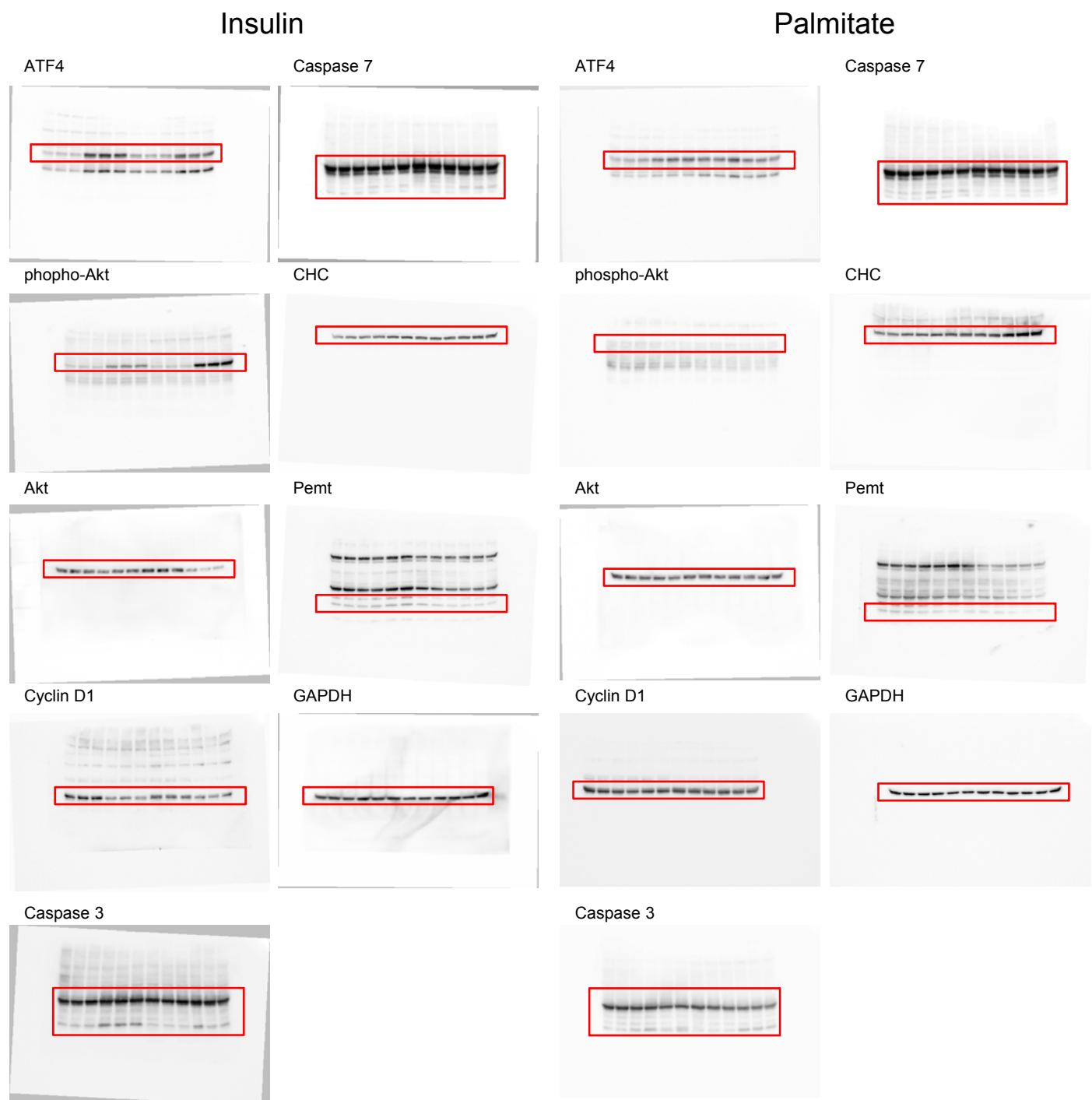
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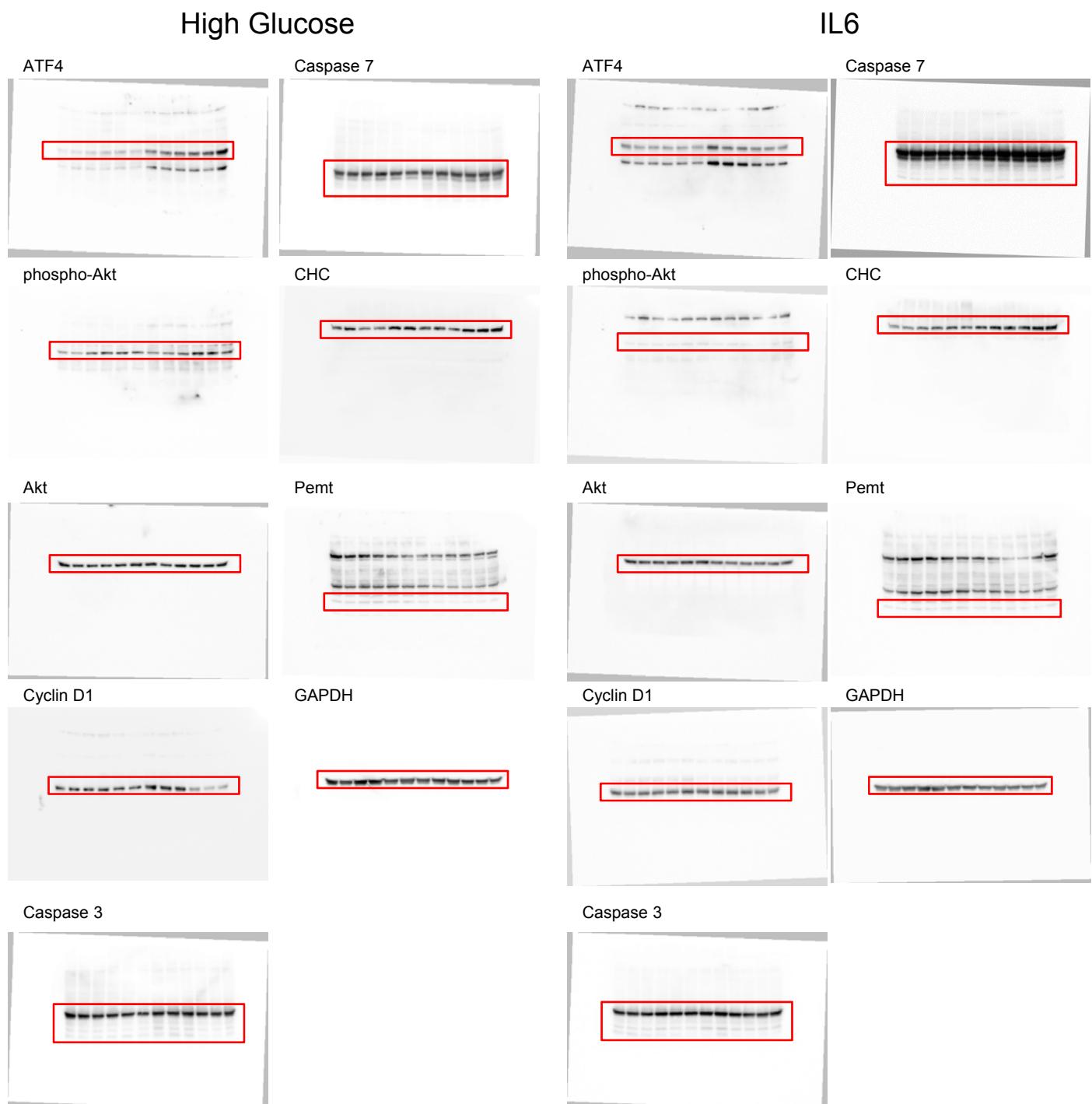
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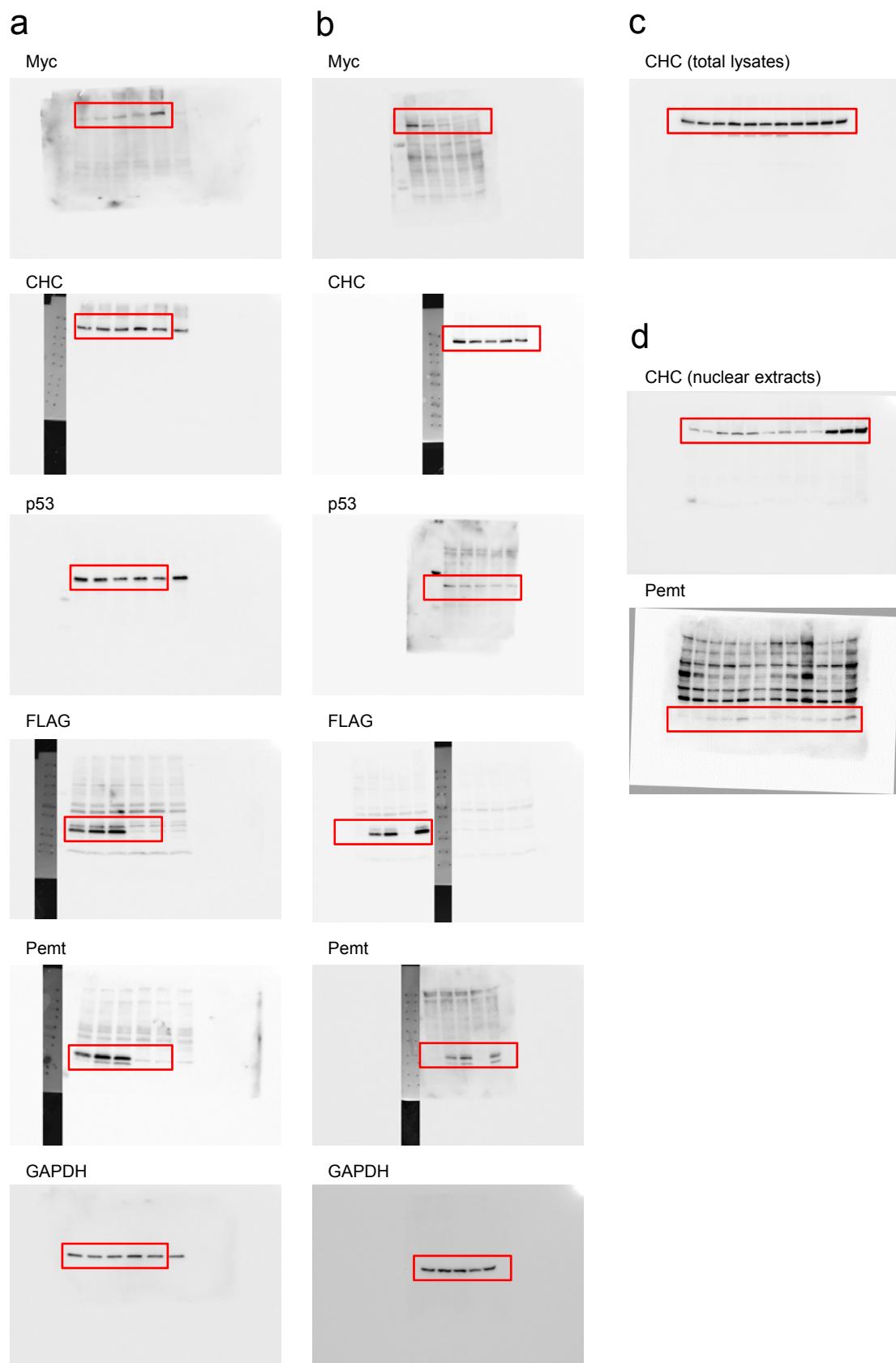
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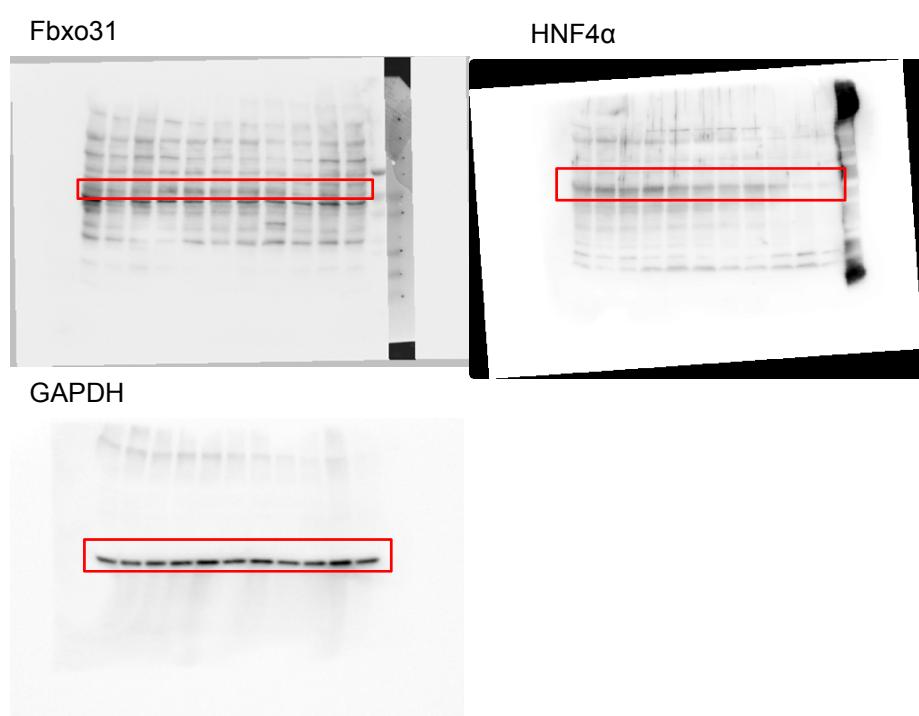
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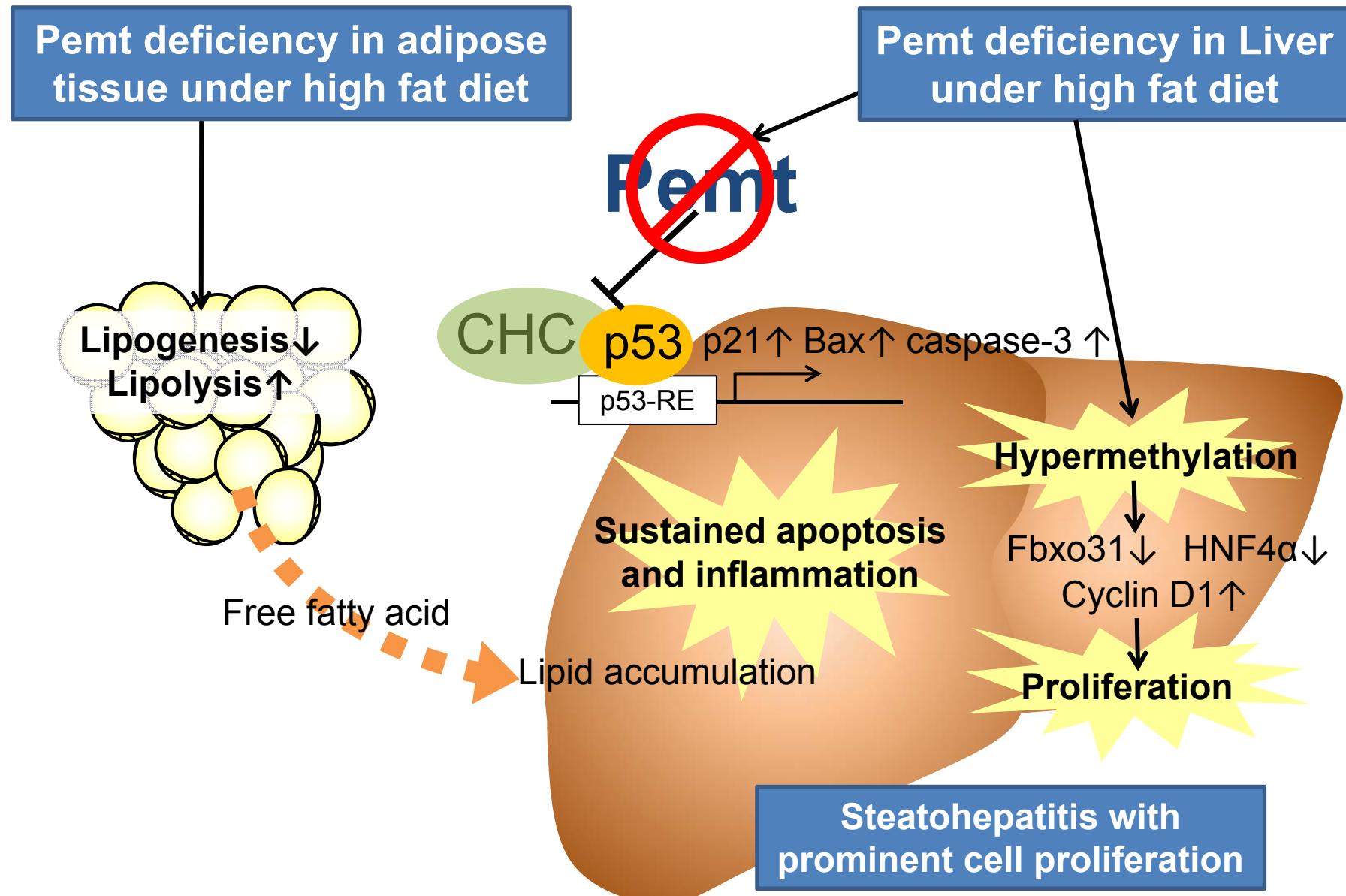


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Supplemental Figure 18



Supplementary Table 1

Primer	
Pemt- <i>EcoRI</i> -F	5'-GGGGGGGAATTCAATGAAGAGATCTGGAACCCGGGA-3'
Pemt- <i>Xba</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGTCTAGATCAGCTCCTCTTGTGGGCCCGGA-3'
CHC1- <i>Not</i> I-F	5'-GGGGGGCGGCCGCTGAAGTTGCACACCACCTACAGGG-3'
CHC1- <i>Apa</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGGGGCCCTTAATTGGTATGTAAGGAATTATGTT-3'
CHC2- <i>Not</i> I-F	5'-GGGGGGCGGCCGCCATGGCCCAGATTCTGCCAATTCGT-3'
CHC2- <i>Apa</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGGGGCCCTCACATGCTGTACCCAAAGCCAGG-3'
CHC3- <i>Not</i> I-F	5'-GGGGGGCGGCCGGAAATTGATGTCATAACTCAGCA-3'
CHC3- <i>Apa</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGGGGCCCTTATCTGTAGTATAGTTCCACATTGGC-3'
CHC4- <i>Not</i> I-F	5'-GGGGGGCGGCCGCTCCGTCTTGCTCAGATGTGTGGACTT-3'
CHC4- <i>Apa</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGGGGCCCTTAATAAGCAGCAATTCTCCTGAACCTC-3'
p53-HA-F	5'-GGGGGGGCCACCATGGAGGAGCCGCAGTCAGAT-3'
p53-HA-R	5'-GGGGGGTCAAGCGTAATCTGGAACATCGTATGGTAGTCTGAGTC AGGCCCTCTGT-3'
<i>Hind</i> III-p53-F	5'-GGGGGGAAAGCTTGCACCATGGAGGAGCCGCAGTCAGAT-3'
HA- <i>Xba</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGCTCGAGTCAGCGTAATCTGGAACATCGTATGGTA-3'
FLAG-Pemt-HA-F	5'-GGGGGGGCCACCATGGACTACAAGGACGACGATGACAAAAAGAG ATCTGGGAACCCGGGA-3'
FLAG-Pemt-HA-R	5'-GGGGGGTCAAGCGTAATCTGGAACATCGTATGGTAGCTCCTCTT GTGGGCCCGGA-3'
<i>Hind</i> III-FRAG-F	5'-GGGGGGAAAGCTTGCACCATGGACTACAAGGACGACGATGACAA A-3'
HA- <i>Xba</i> I-R	5'-GGGGGGCTCGAGTCAGCGTAATCTGGAACATCGTATGGTA-3'

Supplementary Table 2 List of genes with hypermethylated genomic DNA and reduced mRNA expression in Pemt^{-/-} mice compared to Pemt^{+/+} fed high fat-high sucrose chow.

Region name	Position	Length	Summit	Tags	-log10(pvalue)	Fold enrichment	FDR(%)	RefSeqID	Status	GeneID	Symbol	Definition	Distance(bp)	mRNA expression ratio (Pemt ^{-/-} /HFHS) vs Pemt ^{+/+} (HFHS) Log2 ratio					
														1 week	2 week	3 week	4 week	Pearson correlator coefficient of determination	
MACS_peak_1437	chr4:88335056-88335560	505	128	9	55	16.42	100 NM_010503.2 UP	15965 fna2	interferon alpha 2	5373	0.83	0.91	0.41	0.24	-0.23	0.39			
MACS_peak_845	chr17:2766866-12767234	369	166	9	56.23	10.84	100 NM_013667.2 UP	20518 Slc22a2	solute carrier family 22 (organic cation transporter), member 2	9820	0.91	0.61	0.1	0.33	-0.23	0.87			
MACS_peak_788	chr16:33621596-33621937	342	149	17	83.26	10.6	100 NM_134251.2 INCLUDE	171286 Slc12a8	solute carrier family 12 (potassium/chloride transporters), mem	0	0.91	0.96	0.34	0.49	-0.19	0.82			
MACS_peak_112	chr1:176979729-176980084	356	194	9	53.19	11.03	100 NM_011880.3 DOWN	24012 Rgs7	regulator of G protein signaling 7	9122	0.71	0.43	0.45	0.1	-0.18	0.16			
MACS_peak_1221	chr2:163375130-163375391	262	131	9	59.3	9.13	100 NM_008261.2 INCLUDE	15378 Hnf4a	hepatocyte nuclear factor 4, alpha	0	0.97	0.61	0.69	0.42	-0.16	0.75			
MACS_peak_249	chr10:127159015-127159368	354	176	10	76.55	15.49	100 NM_009312.2 UP	21334 Tac2	tachykinin 2	3079	0.76	0.19	0.62	0.1	-0.16	0.00			
MACS_peak_1206	chr2:155361261-155361697	437	207	8	51.46	12.31	100 NM_019811.3 INCLUDE	60525 Acss2	acyl-CoA synthetase short-chain family member 2	0	0.51	0.59	0.23	0.17	-0.14	0.69			
MACS_peak_1995	chr8:124066250-124066683	434	222	11	52.71	8.96	100 NM_133765.3 DOWN	76454 Fbxo31	F-box protein 31	9195	0.79	0.69	0.36	0.44	-0.14	0.79			
MACS_peak_1348	chr3:135486084-135486497	414	258	9	62.6	16.42	100 NM_026228.4 UP	67547 Slc39a8	solute carrier family 39 (metal ion transporter), member 8	1957	0.89	0.98	0.73	0.54	-0.13	0.62			
MACS_peak_734	chr15:85865809-85868085	297	148	9	78.57	17.43	100 NM_009886.2 UP	12614 Celsr1	cadherin, EGF LAG seven-pass G-type receptor 1 (flamingo ho	4302	0.99	0.67	0.63	0.62	-0.12	0.06			
MACS_peak_1879	chr7:150614220-150614703	484	111	9	53.19	11.25	100 NM_008434.2 DOWN	16553 Konq1	potassium voltage-gated channel, subfamily Q, member 1	1273	0.43	0.79	0.5	0.24	-0.09	0.77			
MACS_peak_1133	chr2:69130200-69130511	312	156	13	56.57	7.85	100 NM_021022.3 INCLUDE	27413 Abcb11	ATP-binding cassette, sub-family B (MDR/TAP), member 11	0	0.77	0.84	0.66	0.56	-0.08	0.24			
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MACS_peak_994	chr8:1861449422-61449852	431	216	16	62.14	7.34	100 NM_13242.2 DOWN	170826 Pgapgb1	peroxisome proliferator activated receptor, gamma, coactivator	7937	0.54	0.55	0.53	0.53	-0.01	0.02			
MACS_peak_1158	chr2:94248489-94248890	392	118	9	53.19	10.63	100 NM_007466.2 DOWN	11800 Ap15	apoptosis inhibitor 5	2993	0.91	0.94	0.89	0.94	0.00	0.03			
MACS_peak_702	chr5:152556460-52556951	312	156	11	60.68	11.51	100 NM_027212.2 INCLUDE	69790 Mst3	mediator complex subunit 30	0	0.81	0.93	0.91	0.84	0.01	0.45			
MACS_peak_2142	chr9:97960347-97960667	321	160	11	68.45	13.68	100 NM_016747.2 UP	53310 Dlg3	discs, large homolog 3 (Drosophila)	2418	0.62	0.84	0.7	0.72	0.02	0.04			
MACS_peak_1612	chr5:125819294-125829852	319	159	9	68.26	17.43	100 NM_016741.1 UP	20778 Scarb1	scavenger receptor class B, member 1	8090	0.76	0.93	0.81	0.86	0.02	0.03			
MACS_peak_111	chr1:176819224-176819504	281	140	10	103.32	20.52	100 NM_01825.1 INCLUDE	23893 Gremlin2	gremlin 2 homolog, cysteine knot superfamily (Xenopus laevis)	0	0.79	0.89	0.72	0.91	-0.02	0.09			
MACS_peak_1104	chr2:34912635-34913053	419	141	8	52.9	12.31	100 NM_014060.1 INCLUDE	15139 Hc	hemolytic complement	0	0.59	0.7	0.71	0.65	0.02	0.20			
MACS_peak_946	chr9:19873595-19873967	373	215	9	53.19	10.11	100 NM_130449.2 INCLUDE	140792 Colec12	collectin sub-family member 12	0	0.78	0.67	0.67	0.85	0.02	0.12			
MACS_peak_2006	chr8:129851742-129852135	394	158	10	61.82	12.21	100 NM_00112285 INCLUDE	93742 Pard3	par-3 (partitioning defective 3) homolog (C. elegans)	0	0.76	0.49	0.15	0.95	0.02	0.10			
MACS_peak_1979	chr8:108094784-108095078	295	147	9	68.93	13.94	100 NM_007427.2 UP	11604 Agrp	agouti related protein	2586	0.57	0.33	0.99	0.43	0.02	0.01			
MACS_peak_1311	chr8:395038532-95038896	365	142	11	52.71	8.48	100 NM_134253.1 DOWN	171388 Bnpl	BCL2/adenovirus E1B 19kD interacting protein like	6318	0.6	0.4	0.88	0.52	0.02	0.08			
MACS_peak_908	chr7:172738020-172738230	211	105	9	112.99	14.71	100 NM_007439.2 INCLUDE	11682 Alk	anaplastic lymphoma kinase	0	0.49	0.69	0.48	0.66	0.03	0.05			
MACS_peak_1605	chr2:121593682	294	147	14	54.15	6.38	100 NM_00110999 INCLUDE	19247 Ptgn1	protein tyrosine phosphatase, non-receptor type 11	0	0.91	0.42	0.79	0.89	0.03	0.14			
MACS_peak_1349	chr3:137881274-137881765	492	346	11	52.71	10.16	100 NM_009626.4 INCLUDE	11529 Adhn7	alcohol dehydrogenase 7 (class IV), mu or sigma polypeptide	0	0.68	0.87	0.98	0.76	0.04	0.42			
MACS_peak_1968	chr8:93984684-93985018	335	167	8	60.16	16.31	100 NM_011936.2 INCLUDE	26383 Fto	fat mass and obesity associated	0	0.8	0.97	0.9	0.95	0.04	0.59			
MACS_peak_1736	chr6:119676730-119677237	508	160	11	59.99	12.39	100 NM_053204.2 INCLUDE	111173 Erc1	ELKS/RAB6-interacting/CAST family member 1	0	0.63	0.87	0.96	0.74	0.04	0.58			
MACS_peak_717	chr15:75723765-75724103	339	121	8	60.29	14.37	100 NM_023240.2 DOWN	66656 Eef1d	eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 delta (guanine nucleotid	1126	0.81	0.99	0.96	0.99	0.05	0.01			
MACS_peak_1299	chr3:37892310-37982778	469	321	17	68.93	10.9	100 NM_133665.3 DOWN												

Supplementary Table 3

PEMT mRNA expression in livers and clinical features in SS and NASH patients

	SS (n=9)	NASH (n=25)	P value
Age (years)	44.4 ± 11.3	50.2 ± 15.1	n.s.
M:F	5 : 4	11 : 14	n.s.
BMI (kg/m ²)	26.8 ± 6.1	27.7 ± 5.0	n.s.
Platelet (x10 ⁴ /µL)	23.6 ± 6.4	20.9 ± 8.9	n.s.
AST (IU/L)	42.1 ± 17.8	76.9 ± 51.5	0.058
ALT (IU/L)	69.3 ± 40.9	99.9 ± 90.1	n.s.
γGTP (IU/L)	112.9 ± 93.2	93.3 ± 77.4	n.s.
Total cholesterol (mg/dl)	194.8 ± 56.1	191.2 ± 54.0	n.s.
LDL-cholesterol (mg/dl)	117.8 ± 57.1	117.0 ± 48.3	n.s.
HDL-cholesterol (mg/dl)	56.1 ± 12.8	51.5 ± 15.7	n.s.
Triglyceride (mg/dl)	188.2 ± 83.2	164.8 ± 85.3	n.s.
HbA1c (%)	5.5 ± 0.4	5.6 ± 0.9	n.s.
Fasting plasma glucose (mg/dl)	102.7 ± 8.0	109.7 ± 20.8	n.s.
Immunoreactive insulin	10.0 ± 7.1	18.6 ± 10.7	0.014
HOMA-IR	2.6 ± 1.9	5.5 ± 4.3	0.013
Ferritin (ng/dl)	338.7 ± 362.7	325.6 ± 356.8	n.s.
Liver biopsy samples			
<i>PEMT</i> mRNA / 18s ratio	0.95 ± 0.14	0.74 ± 0.22	0.004

SS: simple steatosis, NASH; non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, BMI; body mass index, HOMA-IR; homeostasis model assessment-Insulin resistance

Supplementary Table 4

PEMT mRNA expression in livers and clinical features on SS and NASH patients

	SS (n=9)	NASH (n=25)	P value
Histological factors			
Grade			0.006
1	9	10	
2	0	11	
3	0	5	
4	0	0	
Stage			0.001
1	9	6	
2	0	5	
3	0	10	
4	0	5	
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1	6	0	0.000
2	3	0	
3	0	0	
4	0	26	

Supplementary Table 5

Pearson Correlation Coefficient of *PEMT* mRNA expression in liver with clinical features in SS and NASH patients

	correlation coefficient	<i>P</i> value
Age (years)	-0.245	0.157
BMI (kg/m ²)	0.247	0.153
Platelet (x10 ⁴ /μL)	0.357	0.035
AST (IU/L)	0.095	0.586
ALT (IU/L)	0.301	0.079
γGTP (IU/L)	0.294	0.086
Total cholesterol (mg/dl)	-0.091	0.602
LDL-cholesterol (mg/dl)	-0.082	0.649
HDL-cholesterol (mg/dl)	-0.166	0.340
Triglyceride (mg/dl)	0.298	0.082
HbA1c (%)	0.138	0.431
Fasting plasma glucose (mg/dl)	-0.048	0.784
Immunoreactive insulin	-0.138	0.428
HOMA-IR	-0.183	0.300
Ferritin (ng/dl)	-0.025	0.892