



Adiponectin pathway in murine models of skeletal muscle deconditioning and reconditioning

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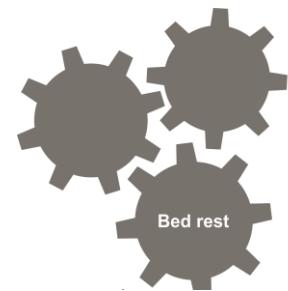
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(Bodine et al., Int J Biochem Cell Biol, 2013)



ICU acquired muscle weakness (**ICUAW**)

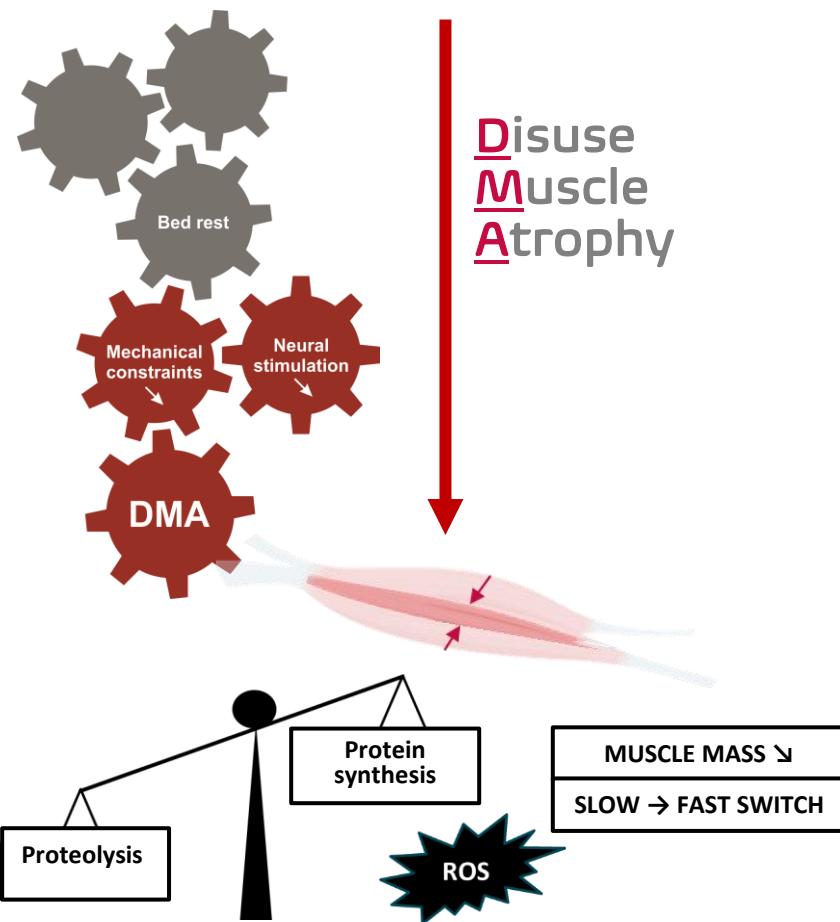
- **Persistent muscle weakness**
- **Reduced endurance capacities**
- **Several factors implicated (mechanical ventilation, curarisation, systemic inflammation, **bed rest** ...)**

➤ **Patient condition before ICU is critical for physical recovery**

Niké Boelens *et al.* *Curr Opin Crit Care* (2022)



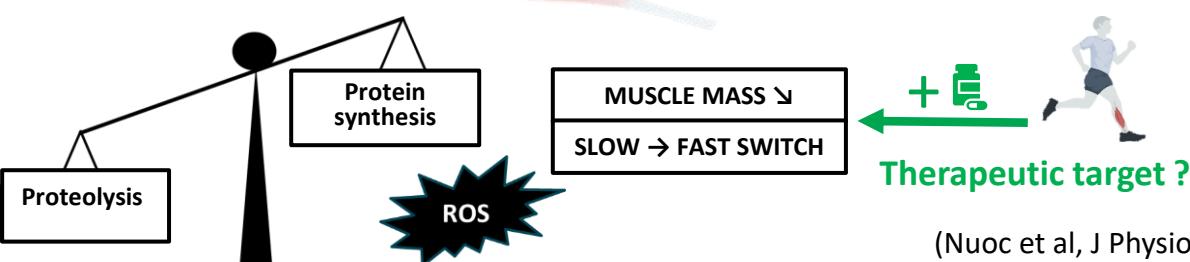
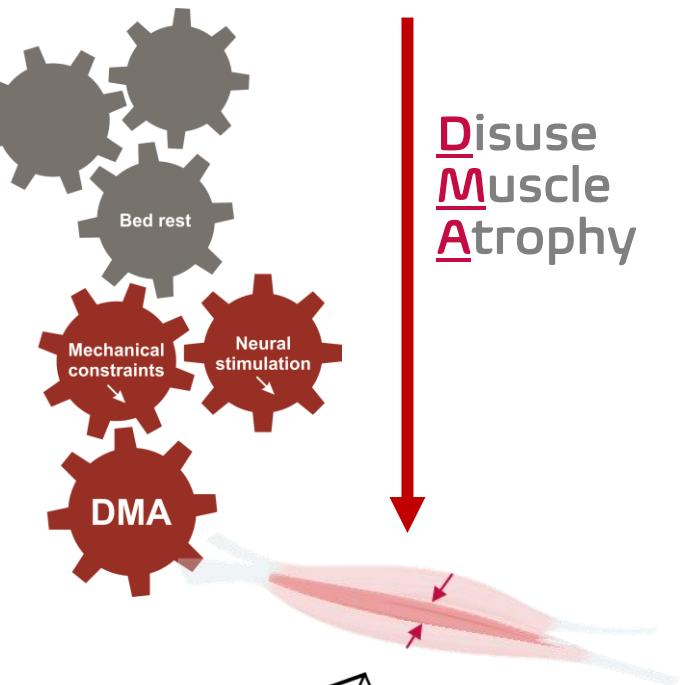
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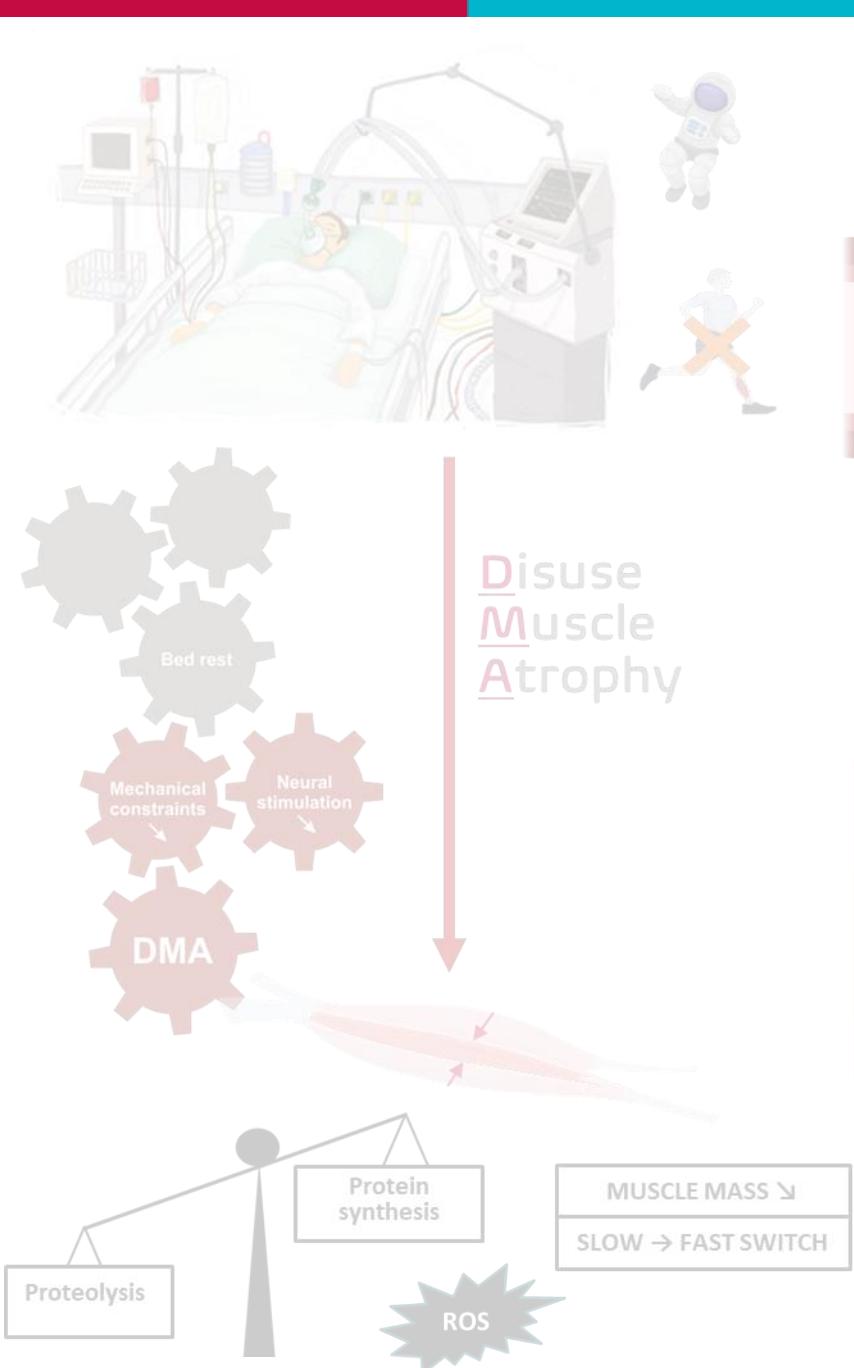
Bodine *et al.* (2013) ; Baehr *et al.* *Cell* (2022)



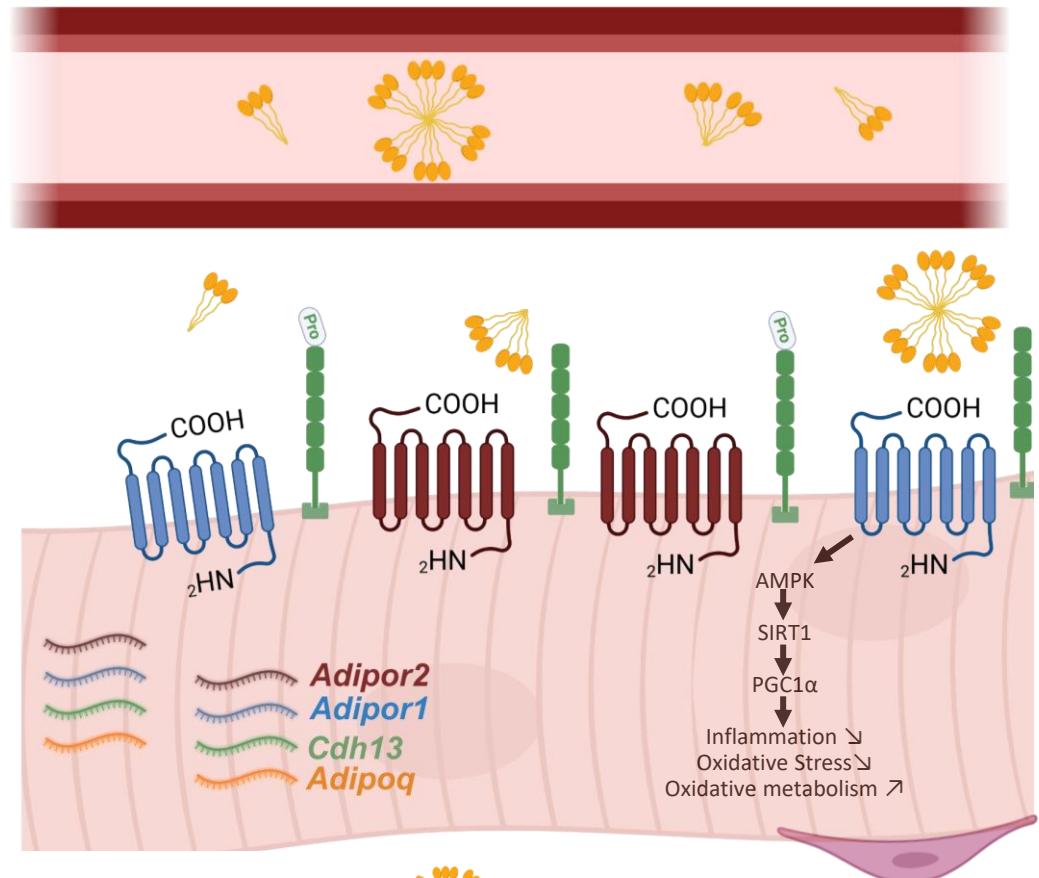
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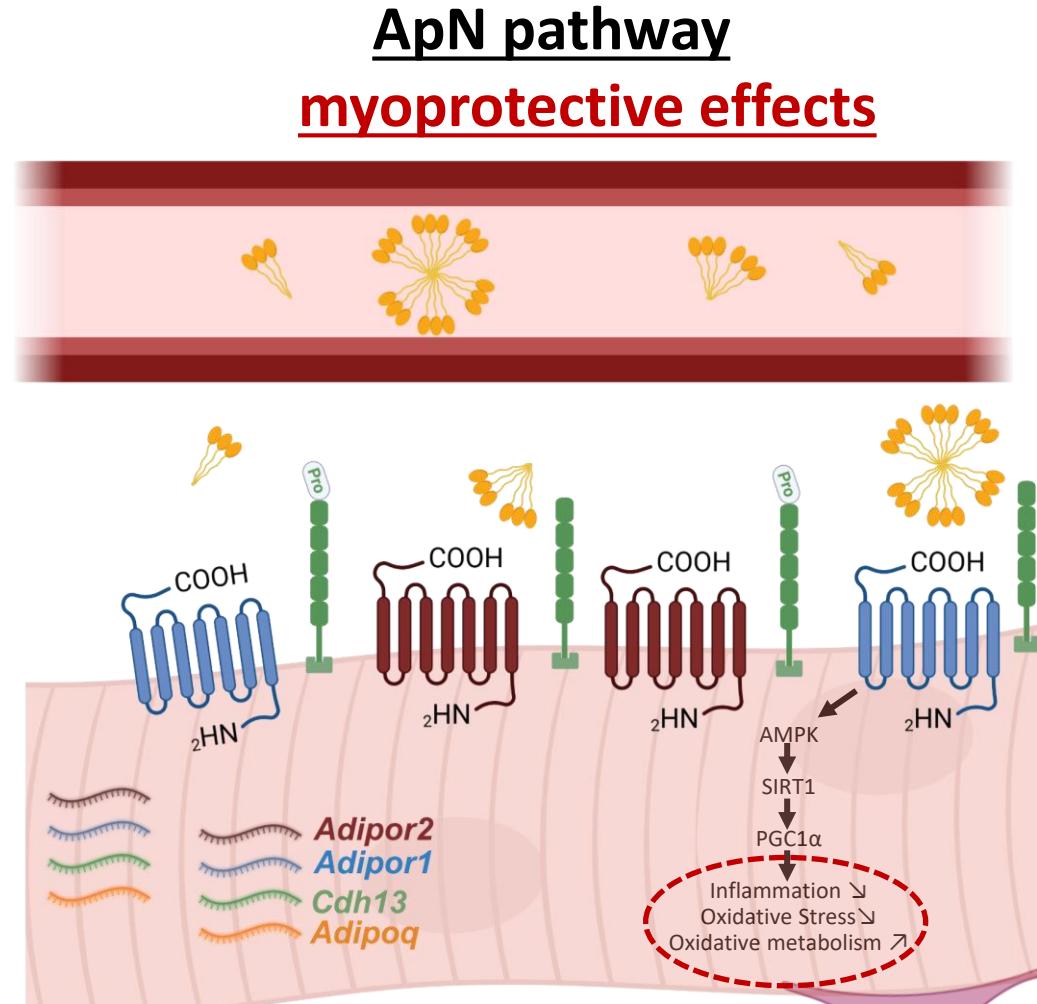
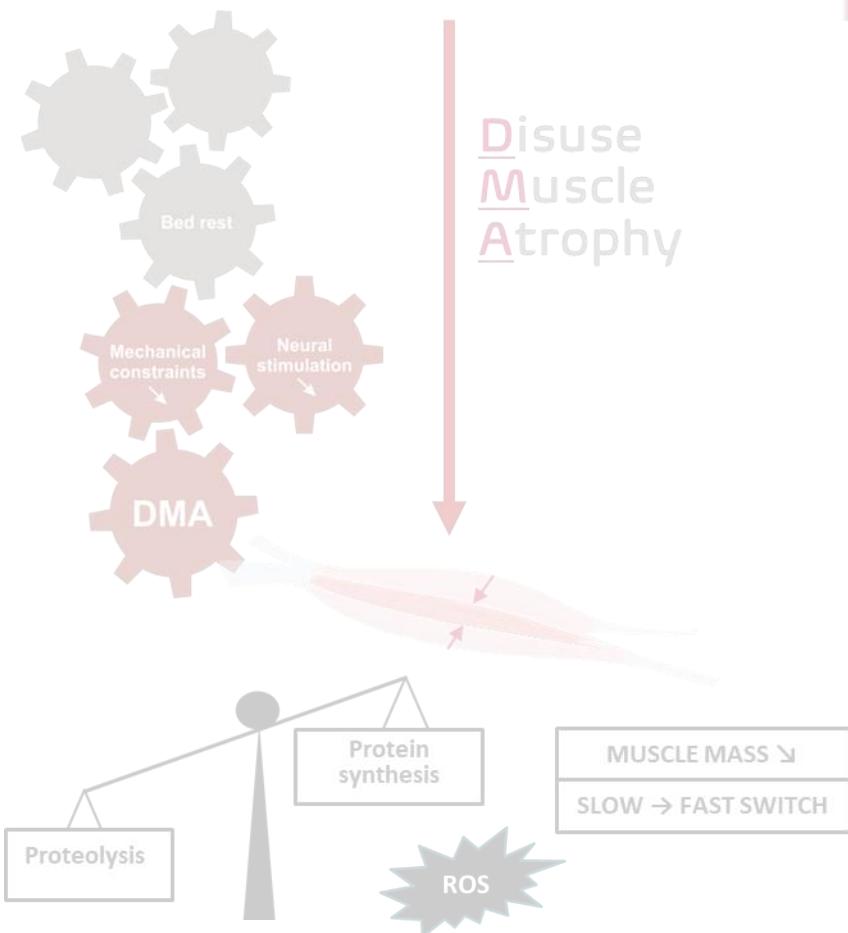
(Nuoc et al, J Physiol Sci, 2017 ; Bodine et al., Int J Biochem Cell Biol, 2013)



ApN pathway



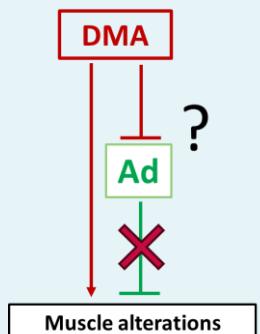
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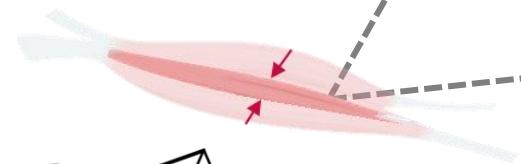
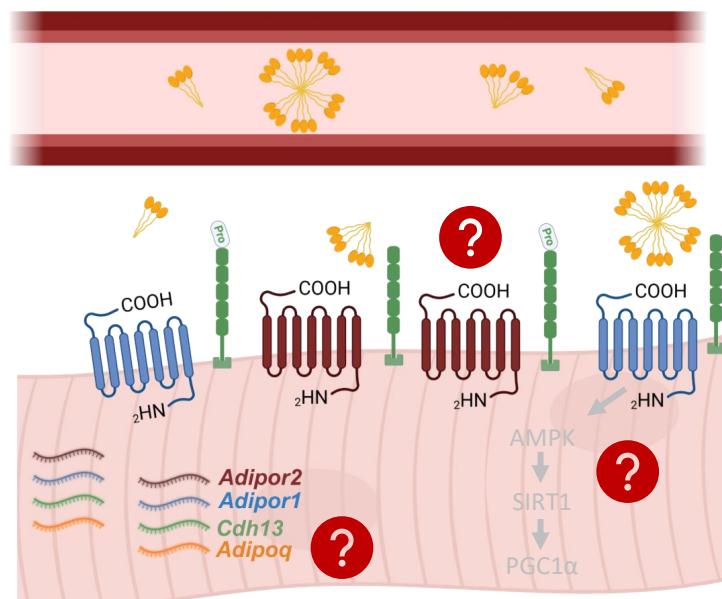
ApN agonists in *mdx* and aged mice

Abou-Samra et al. *Int. J. Mol. Sci.* (2020)

Hypothesis



ApN pathway in DMA ?



Protein synthesis

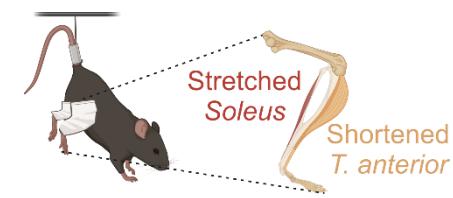
MUSCLE MASS ↴

SLOW → FAST SWITCH

Proteolysis

ROS

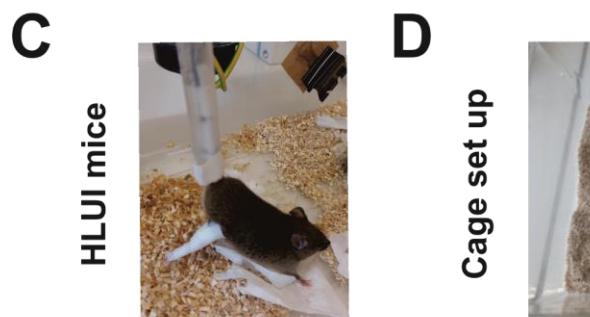
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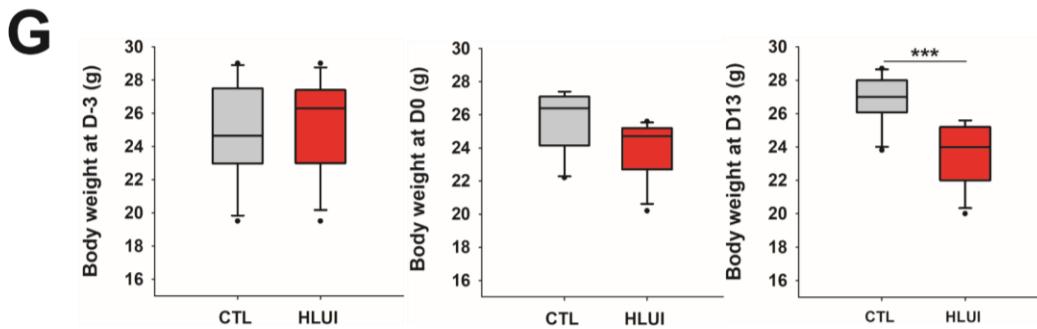
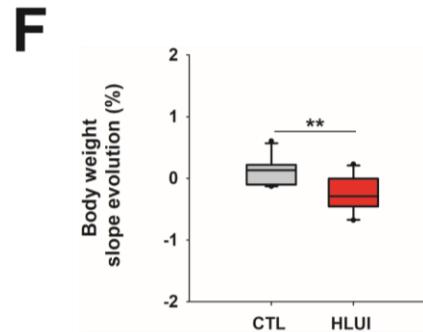
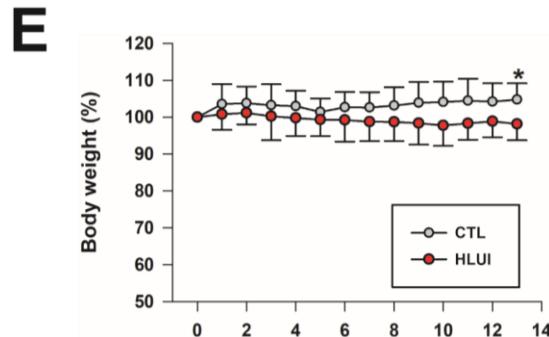
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Tail suspension device

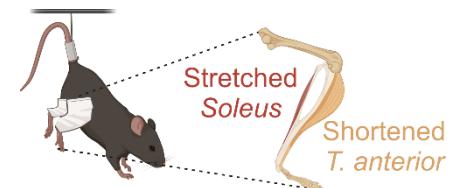
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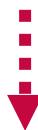
HLUI effect on body weight (b.w) evolution



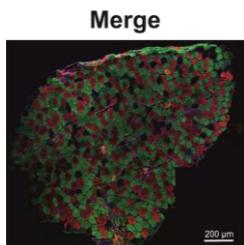
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B.W at D13:
CTL ($104.77 \pm 4.43 \%$)
HLUI ($98.15 \pm 4.44 \%$)

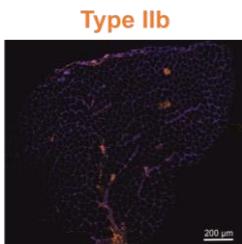
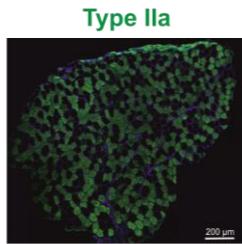
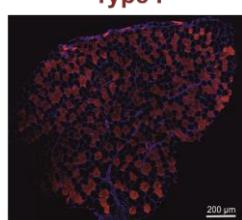
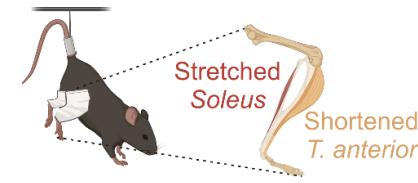
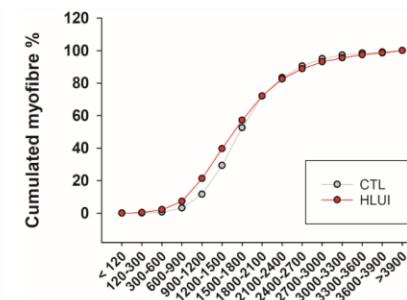
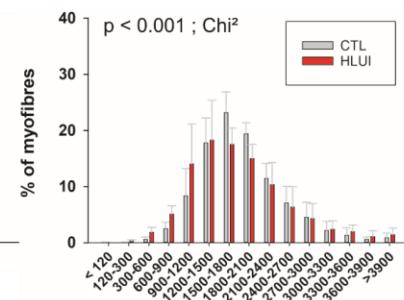
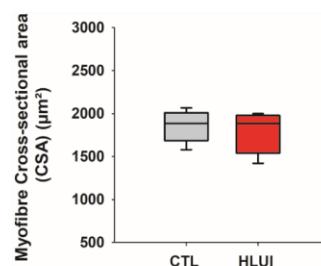

Limited b.w decrease in HLUI mice

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Whole muscle



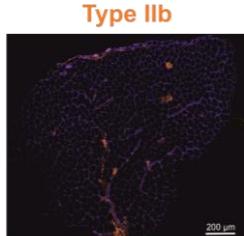
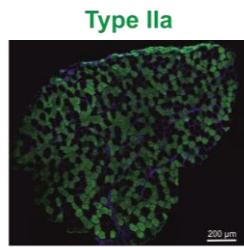
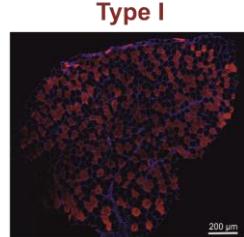
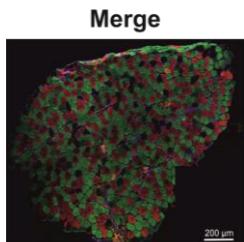
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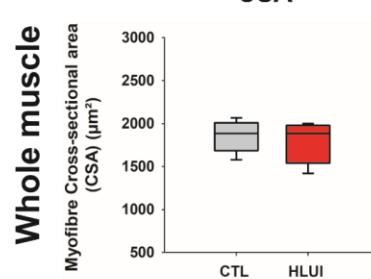
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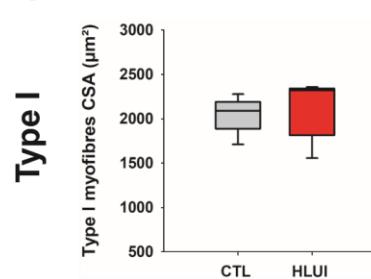
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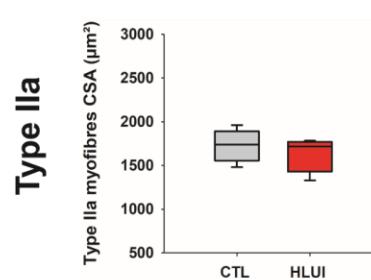
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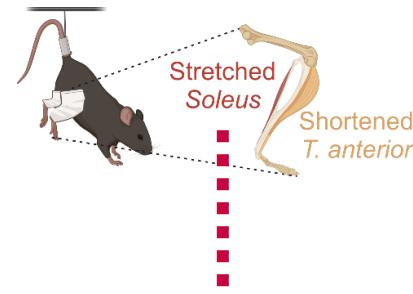
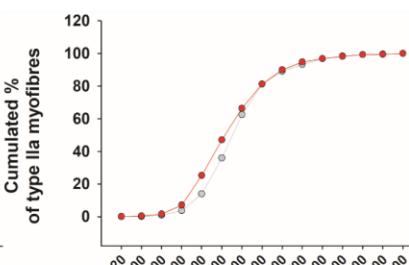
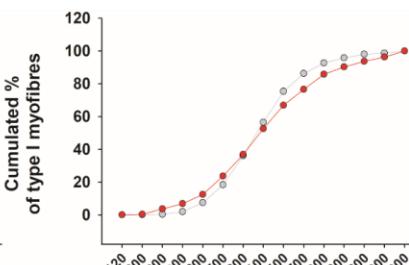
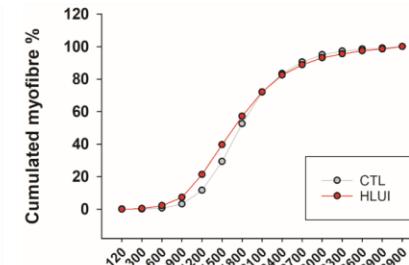


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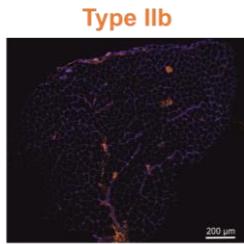
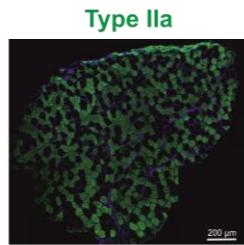
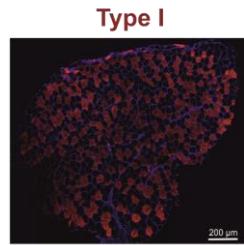
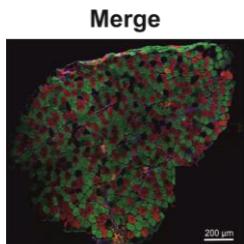
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Myofibre CSA distribution

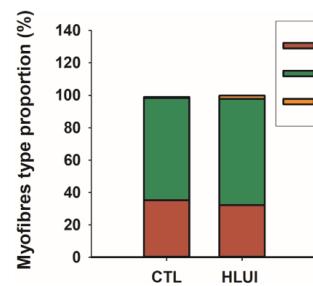


Moderated atrophy

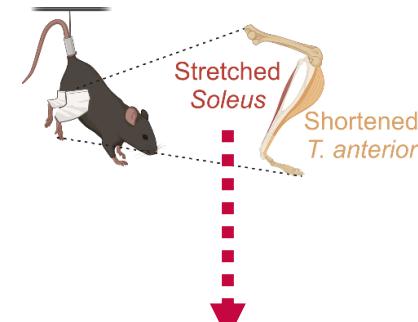
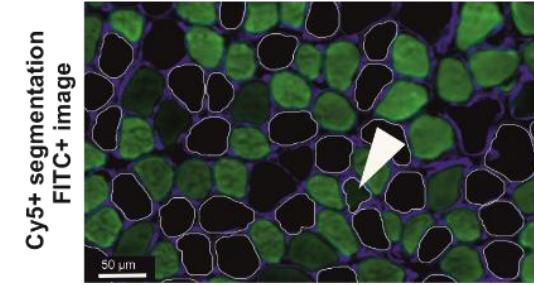
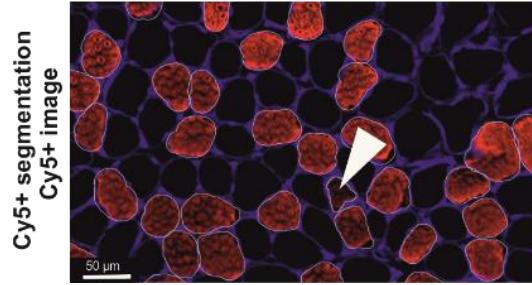
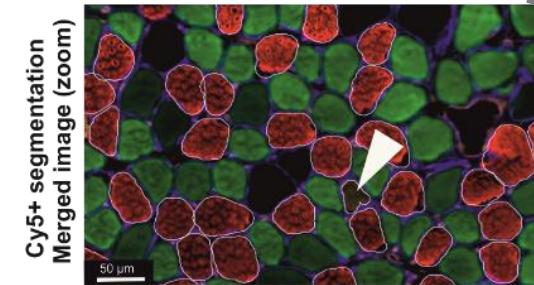
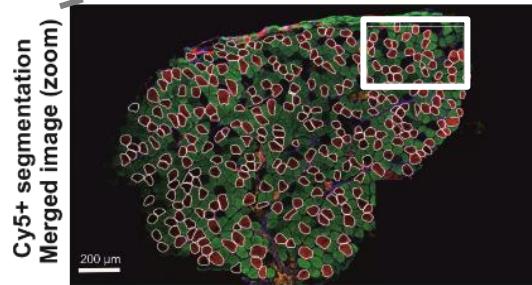
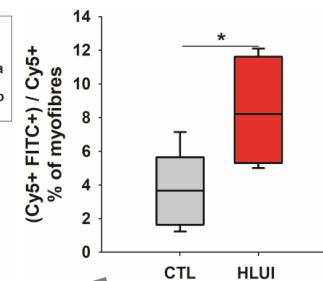
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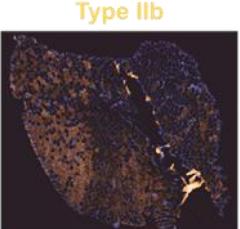
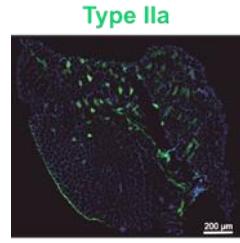
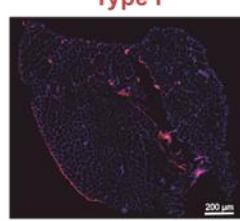
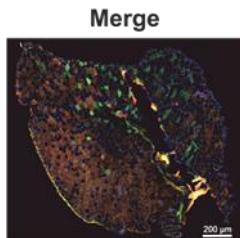
Moderated Atrophy + Ongoing Fiber-type Switch

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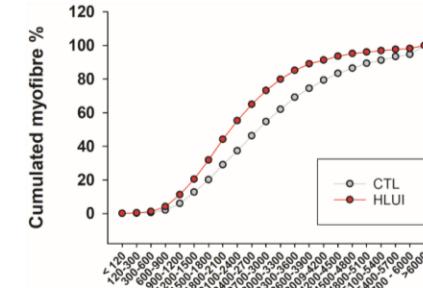
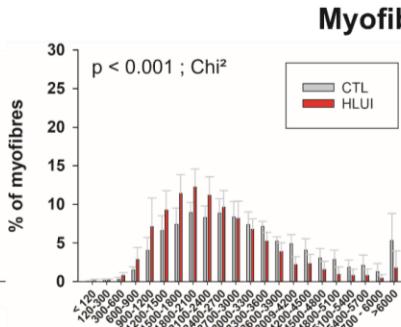
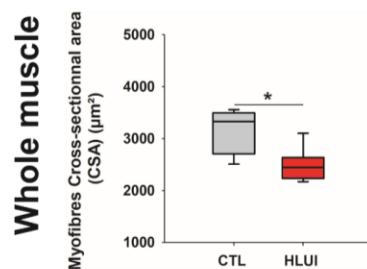
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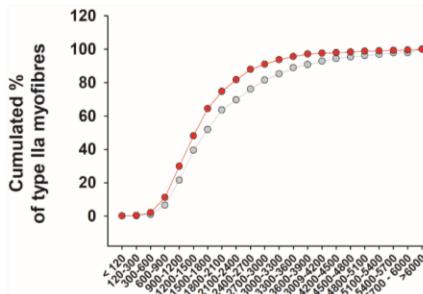
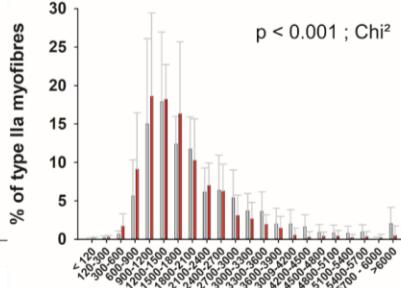
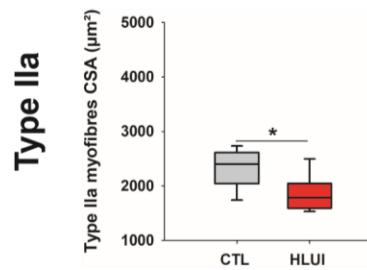
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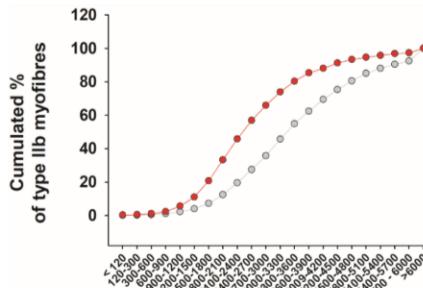
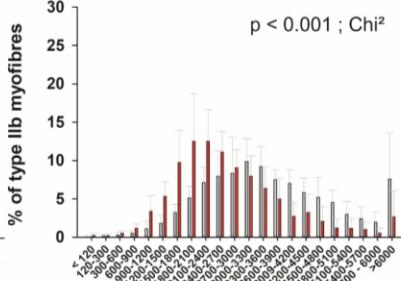
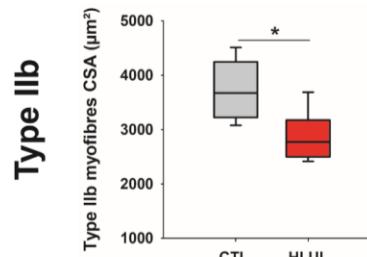
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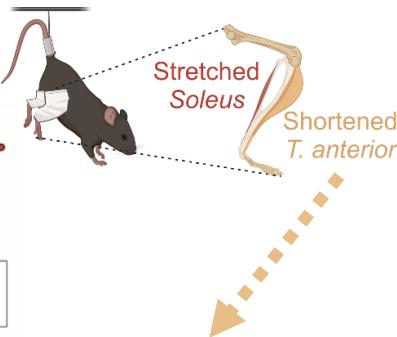
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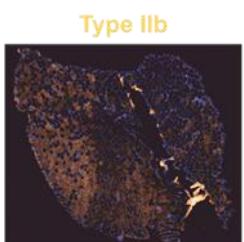
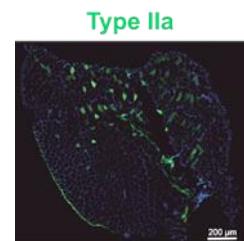
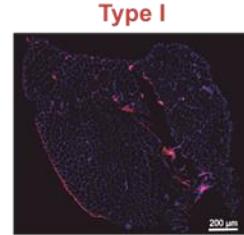
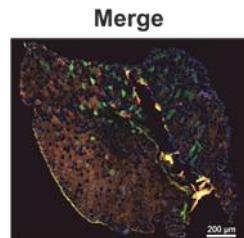
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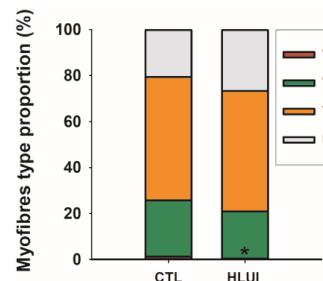
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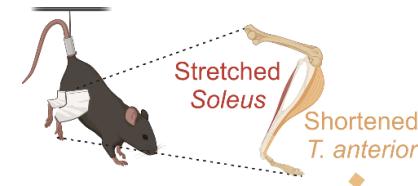
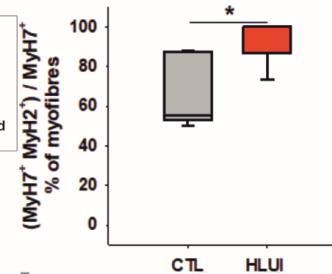
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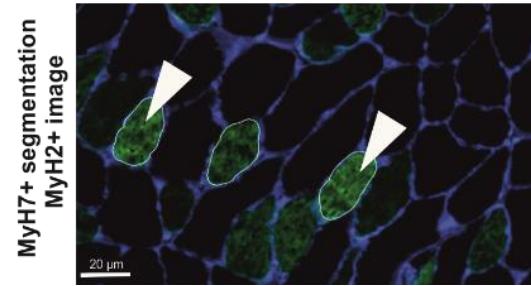
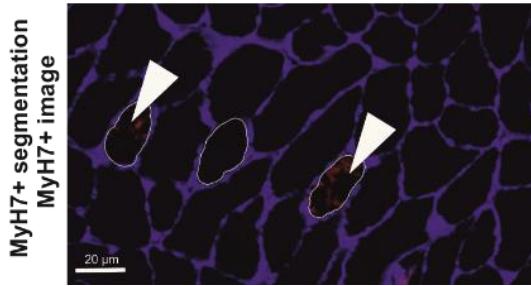
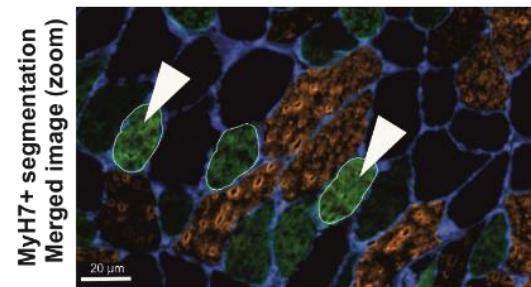
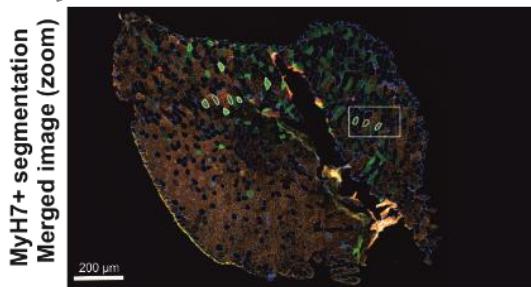
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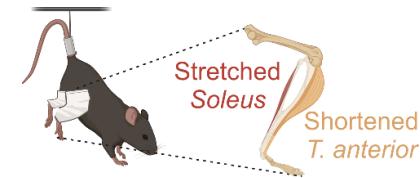
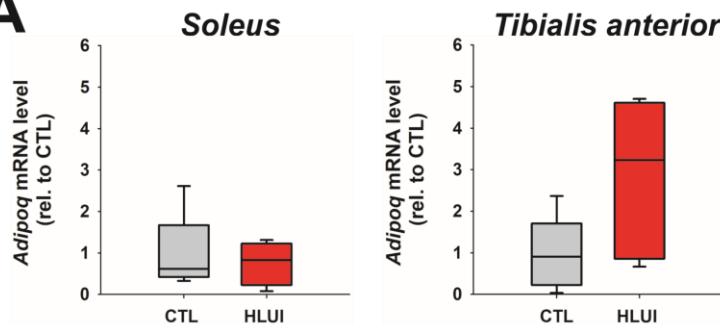


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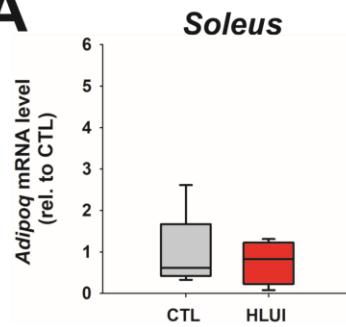


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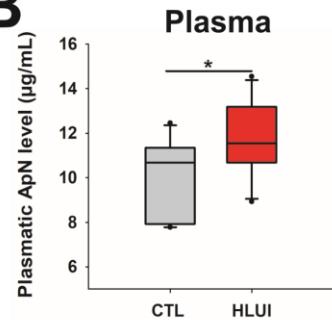
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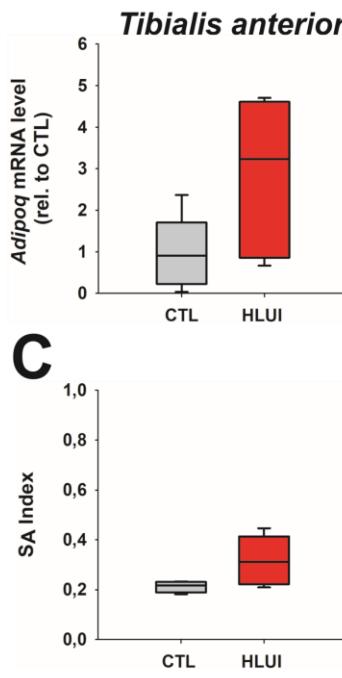
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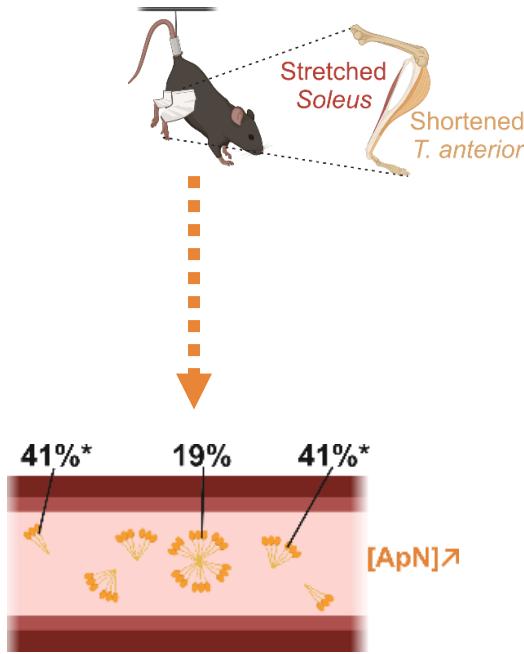
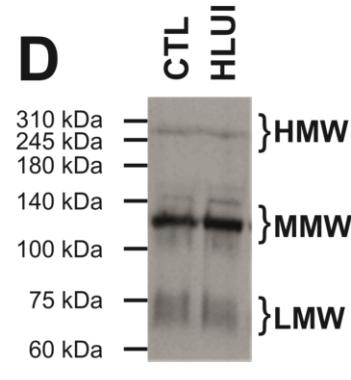
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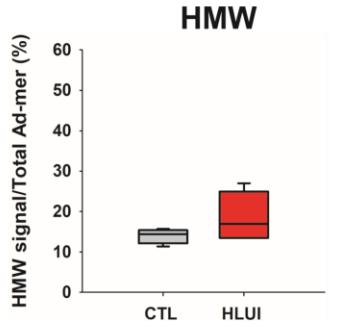
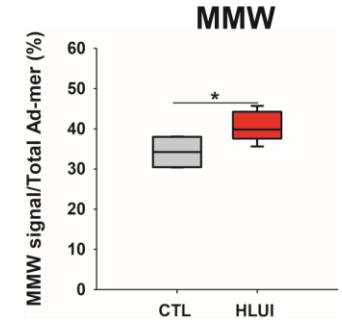
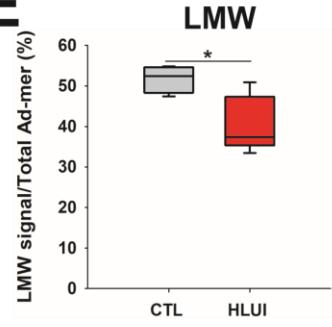
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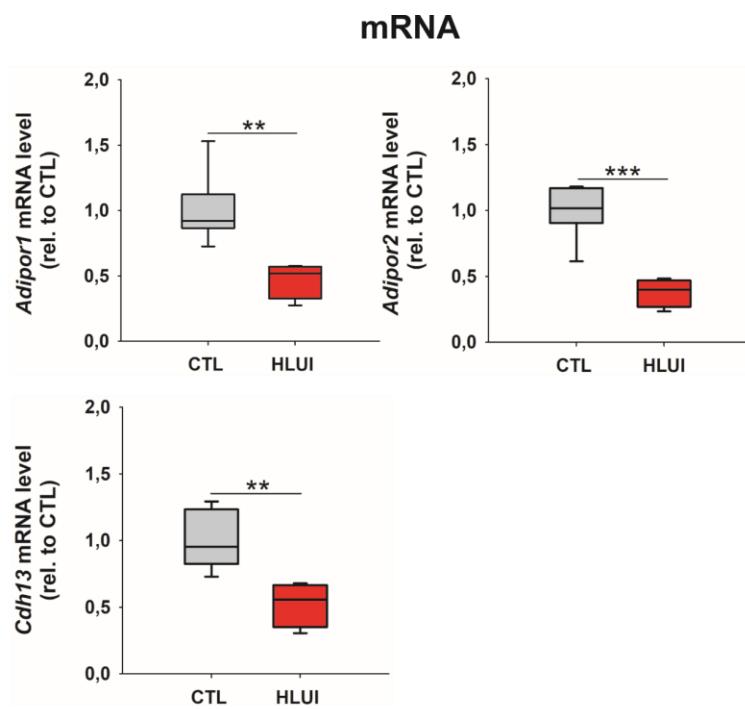


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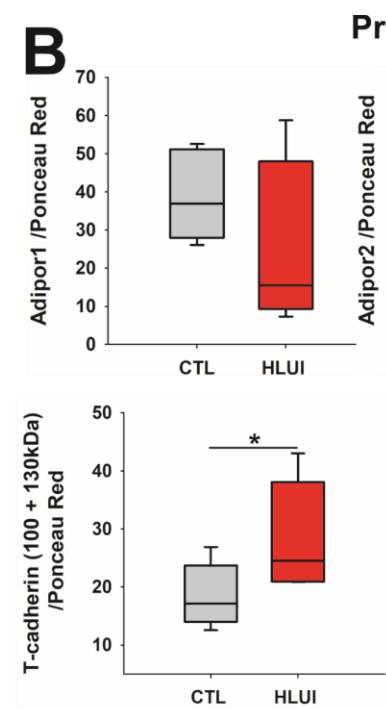
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HLUI-mediated muscle disuse affects ApN receptors in *Soleus* muscle

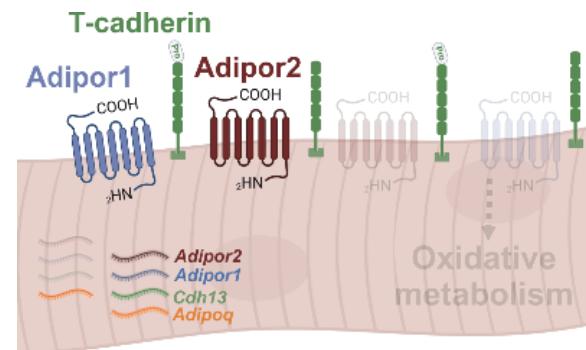
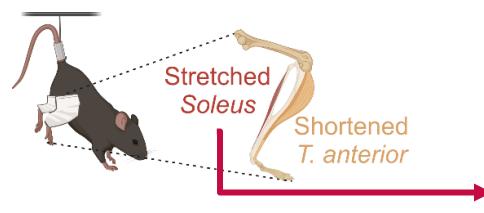
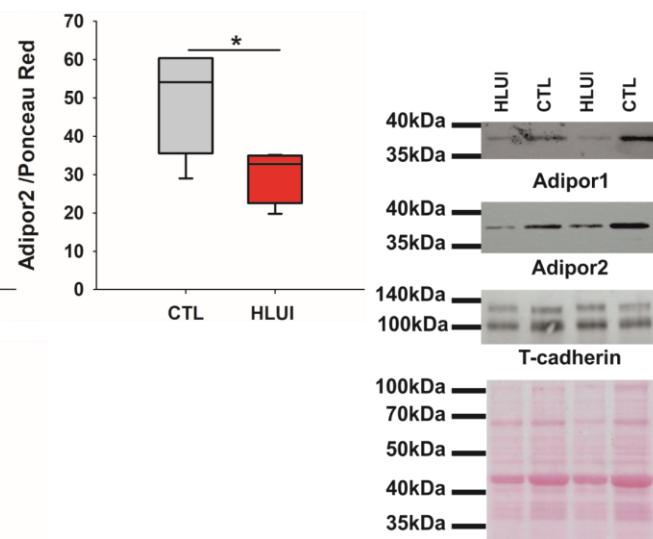
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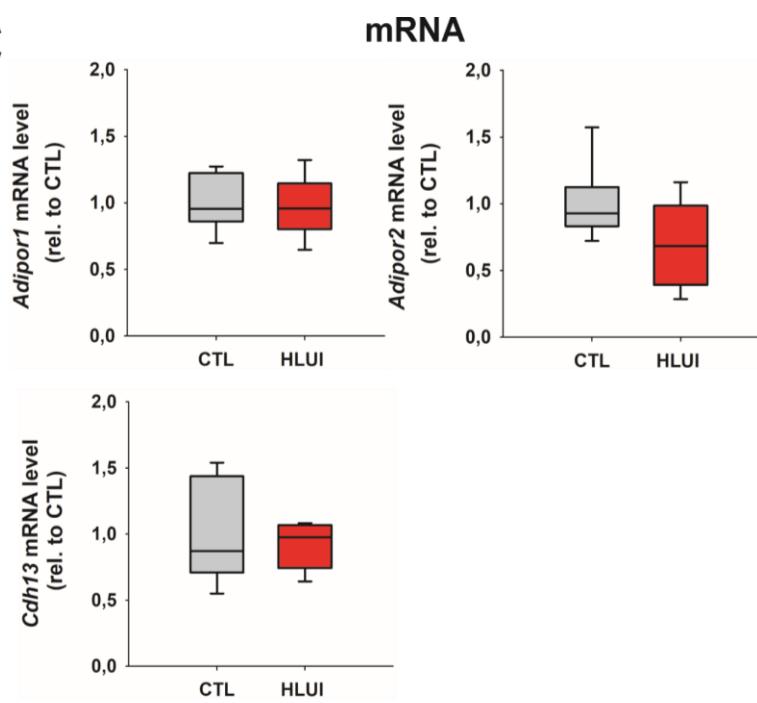
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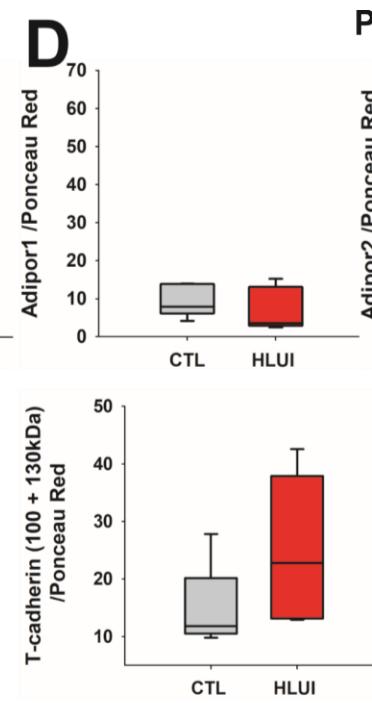
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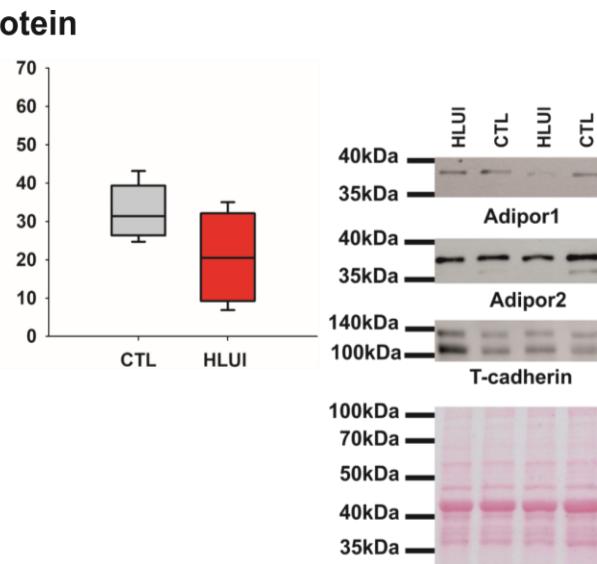
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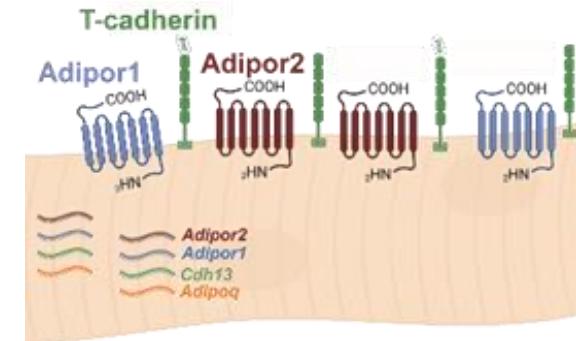
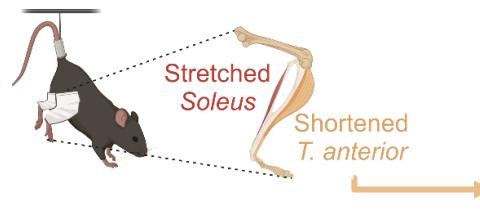
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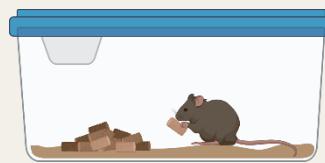
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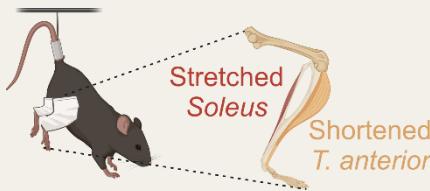
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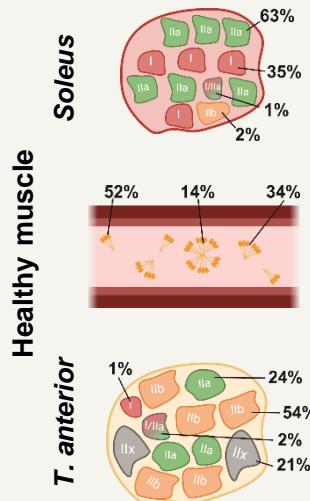
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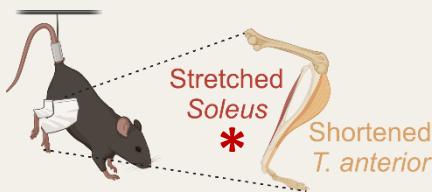
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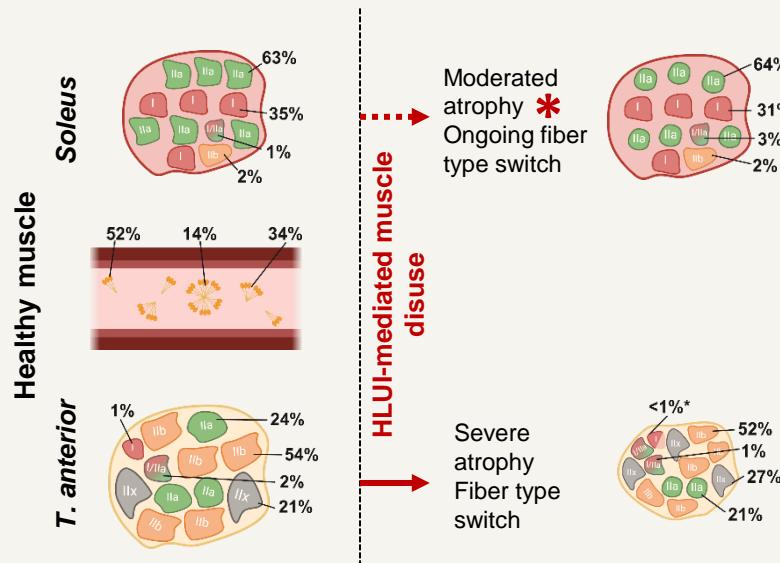
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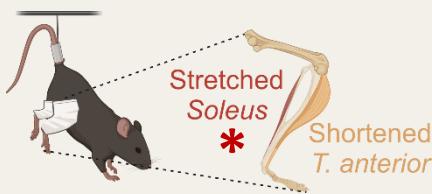
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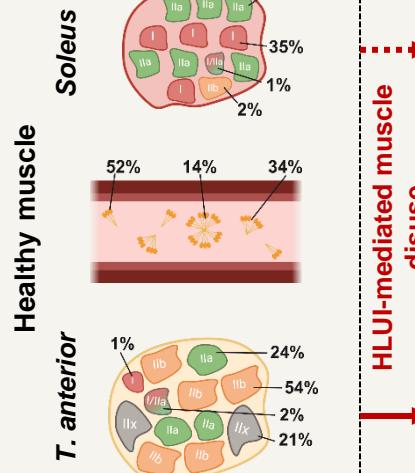
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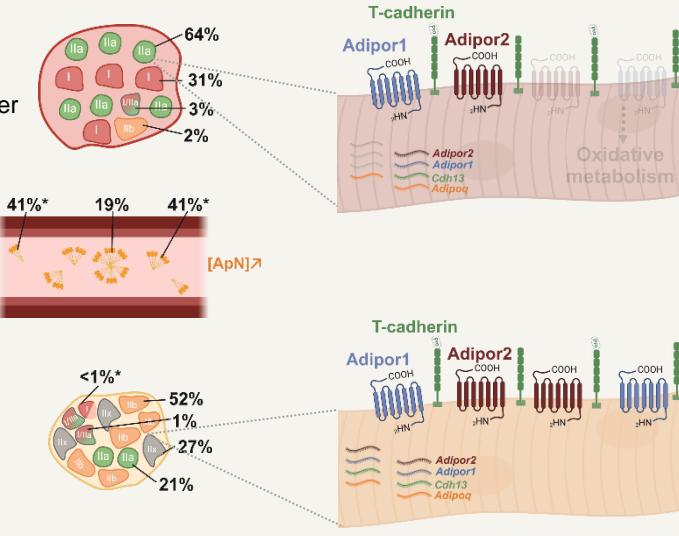
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Ongoing fiber type switch

Severe atrophy
Fiber type switch

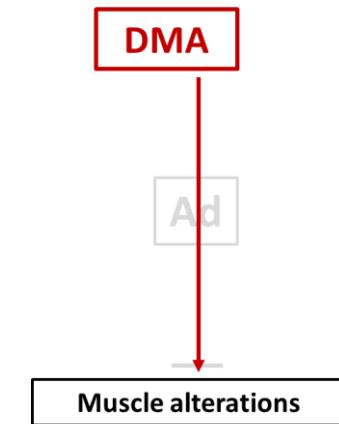
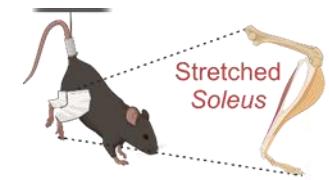
HLUI-mediated muscle disuse



CONCLUSION HLUI is linked to high ApN plasmatic levels but the severity of DMA, the kinetics of myofiber switch and adiporeceptor regulation depend on muscle type and positioning.

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HLUI-mediated muscle disuse effects mice *Soleus* without ApN ?

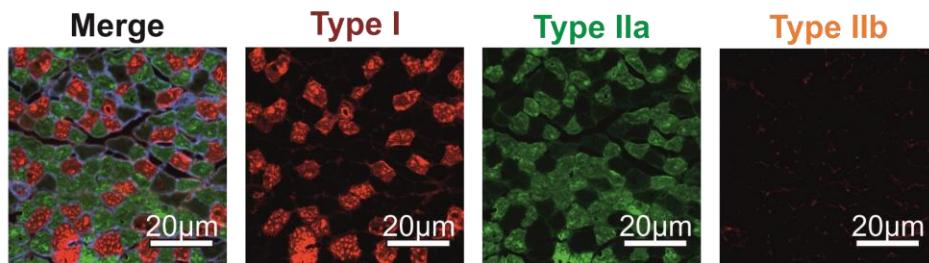


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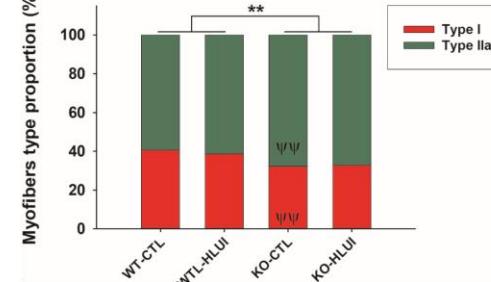
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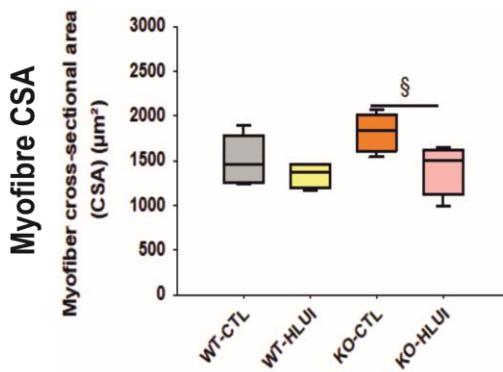
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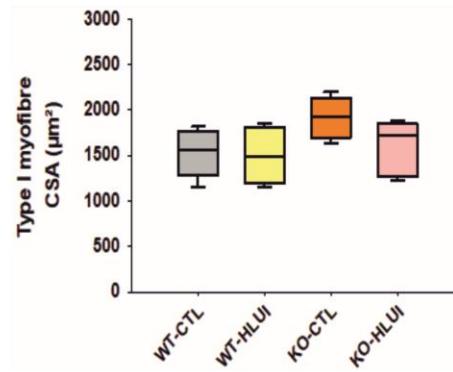
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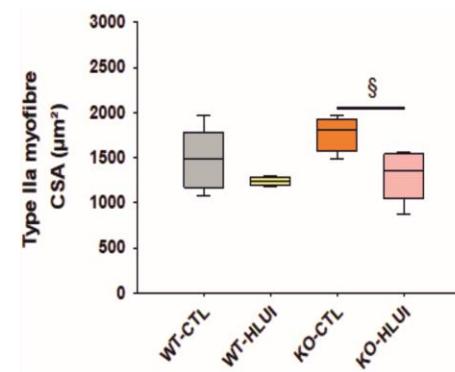
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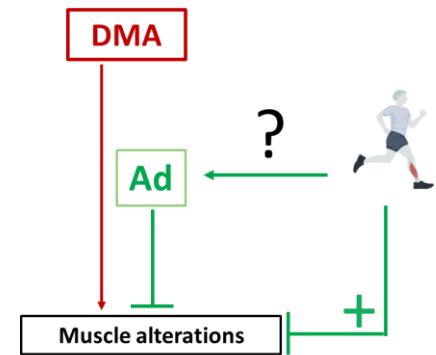
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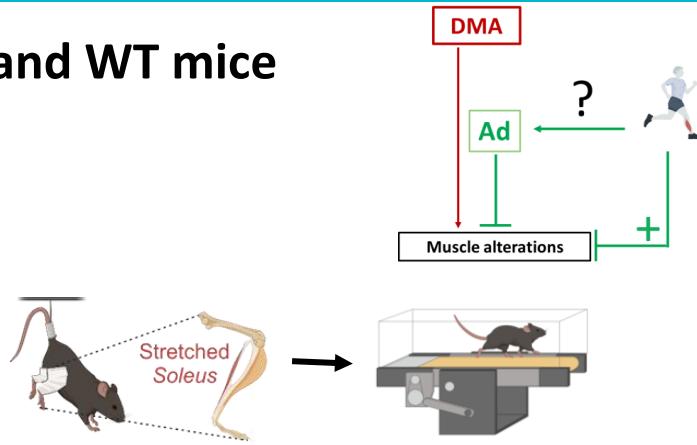
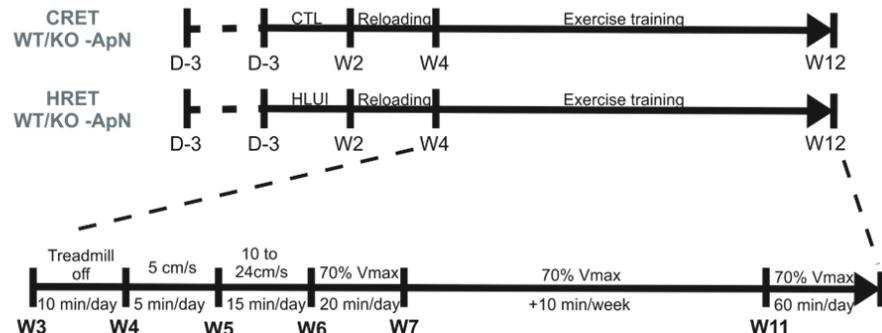
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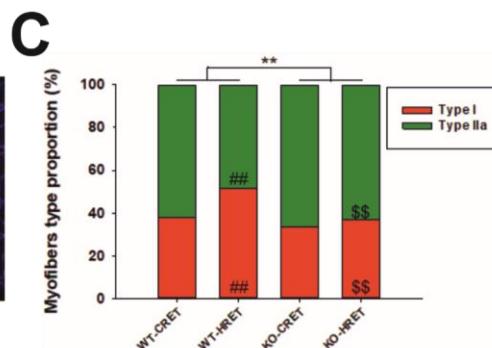
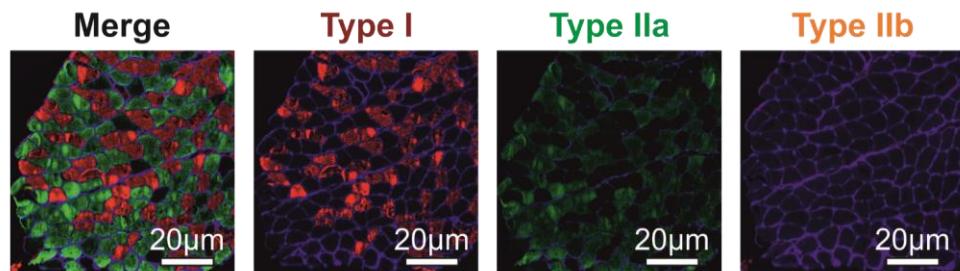


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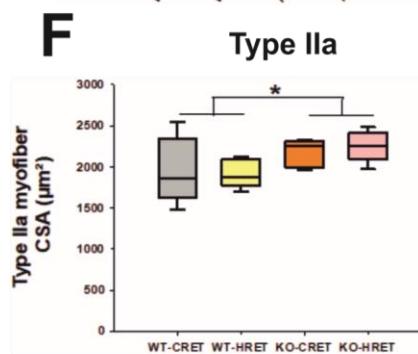
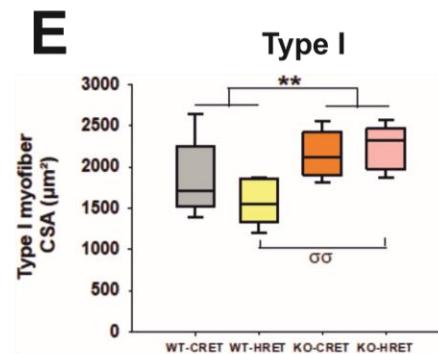
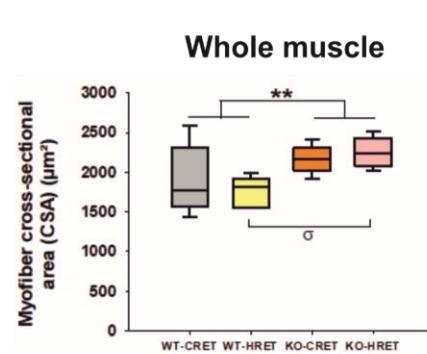
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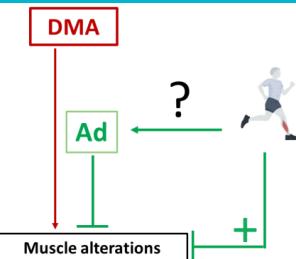
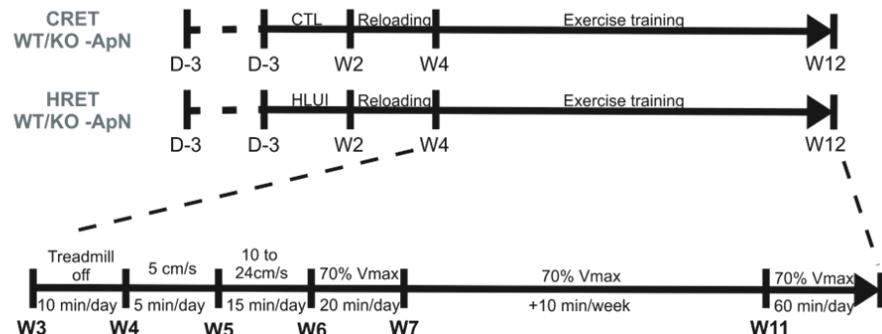
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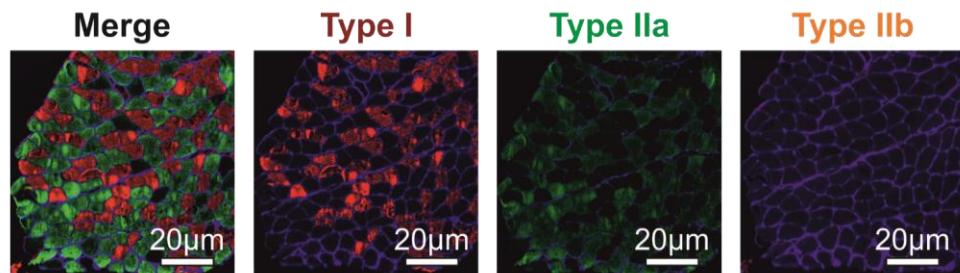
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HLUI-mediated preconditioning in WT but not in KO mice ?

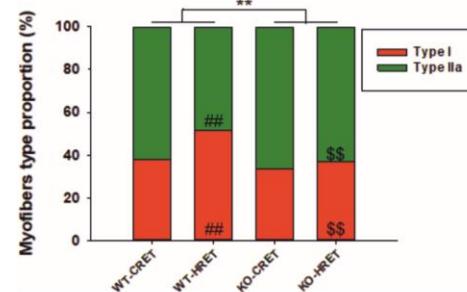
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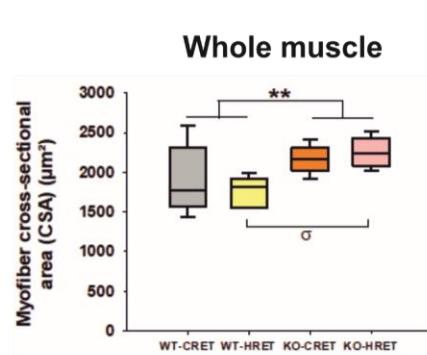
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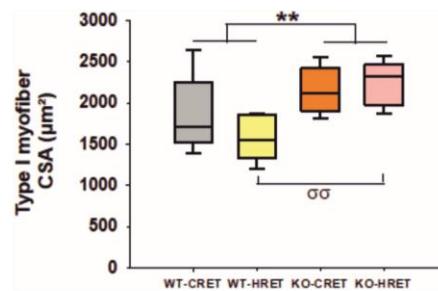
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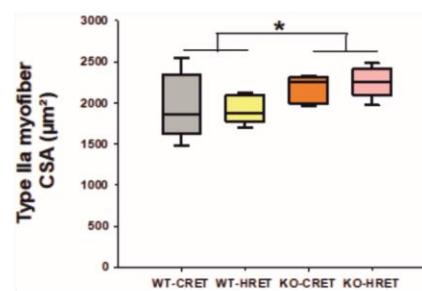
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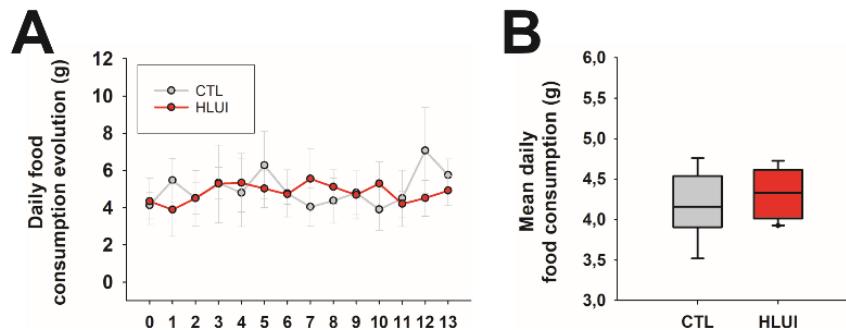


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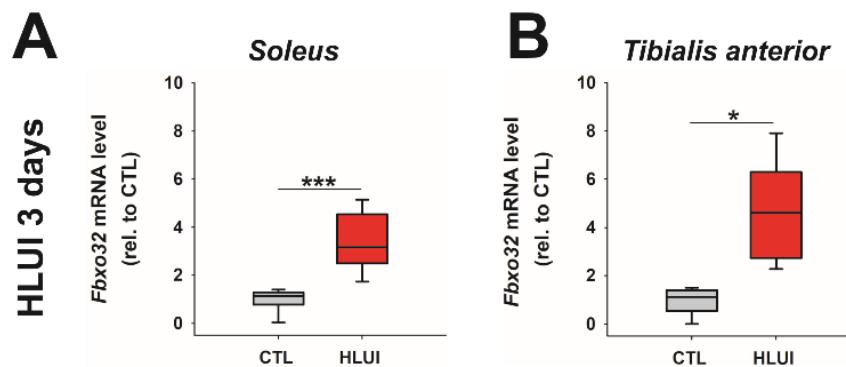


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	Myofibers proportion (%)			Myofibers proportion (%)		
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All myofibers	/	/	/	/	/	/
Type I myofibers	35.34 ± 8.24	32.23 ± 4.43	0.48	1.31 ± 0.81	0.39 ± 0.38	0.04*
Type IIa myofibers	63.05 ± 6.21	65.58 ± 4.27	0.46	24.44 ± 5.30	20.52 ± 10.57	0.47
Type IIb myofibers	1.61 ± 2.54	2.19 ± 2.61	0.69	53.61 ± 8.96	52.50 ± 11.75	0.87
Unstained myofibers	/	/	/	20.64 ± 9.03	26.59 ± 8.76	0.29
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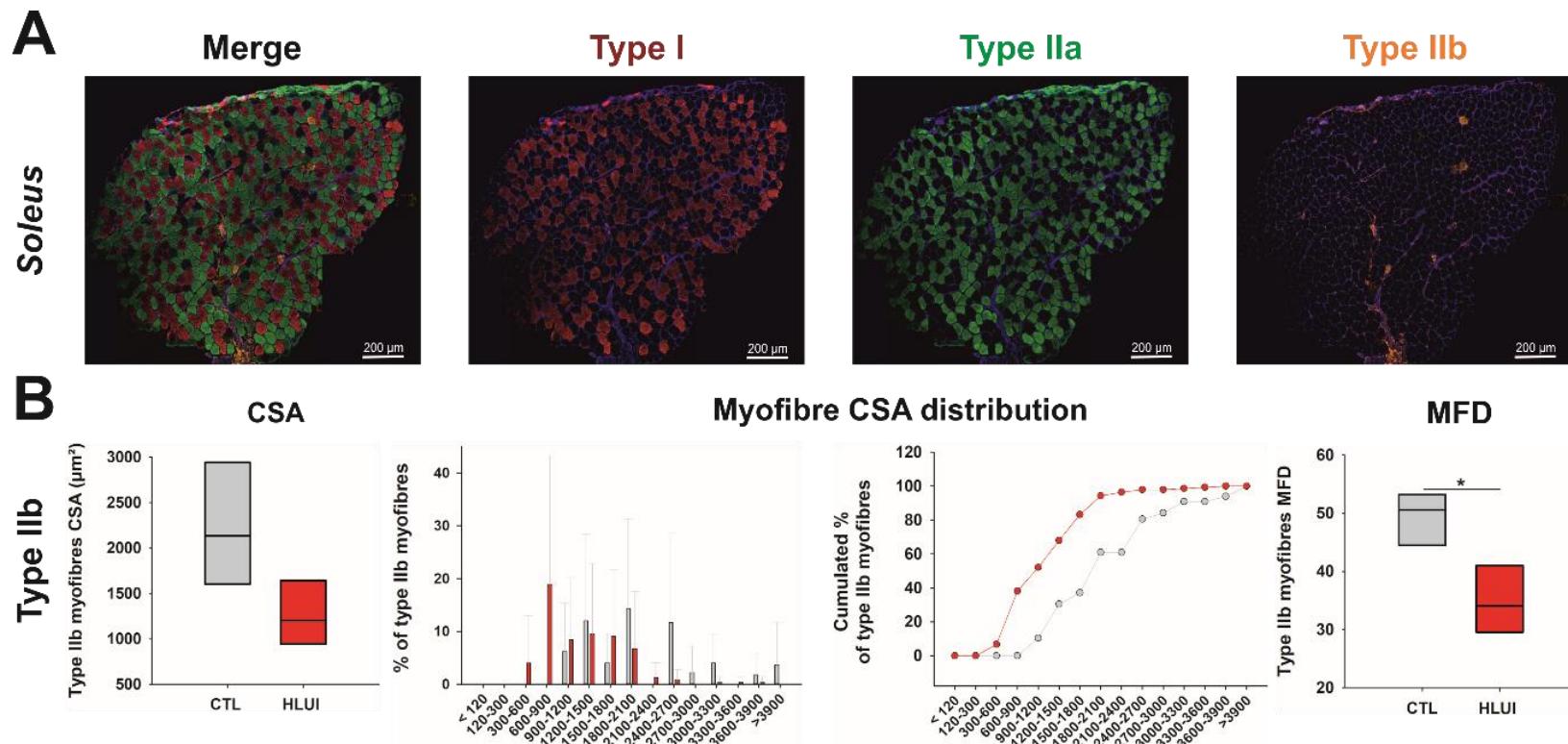
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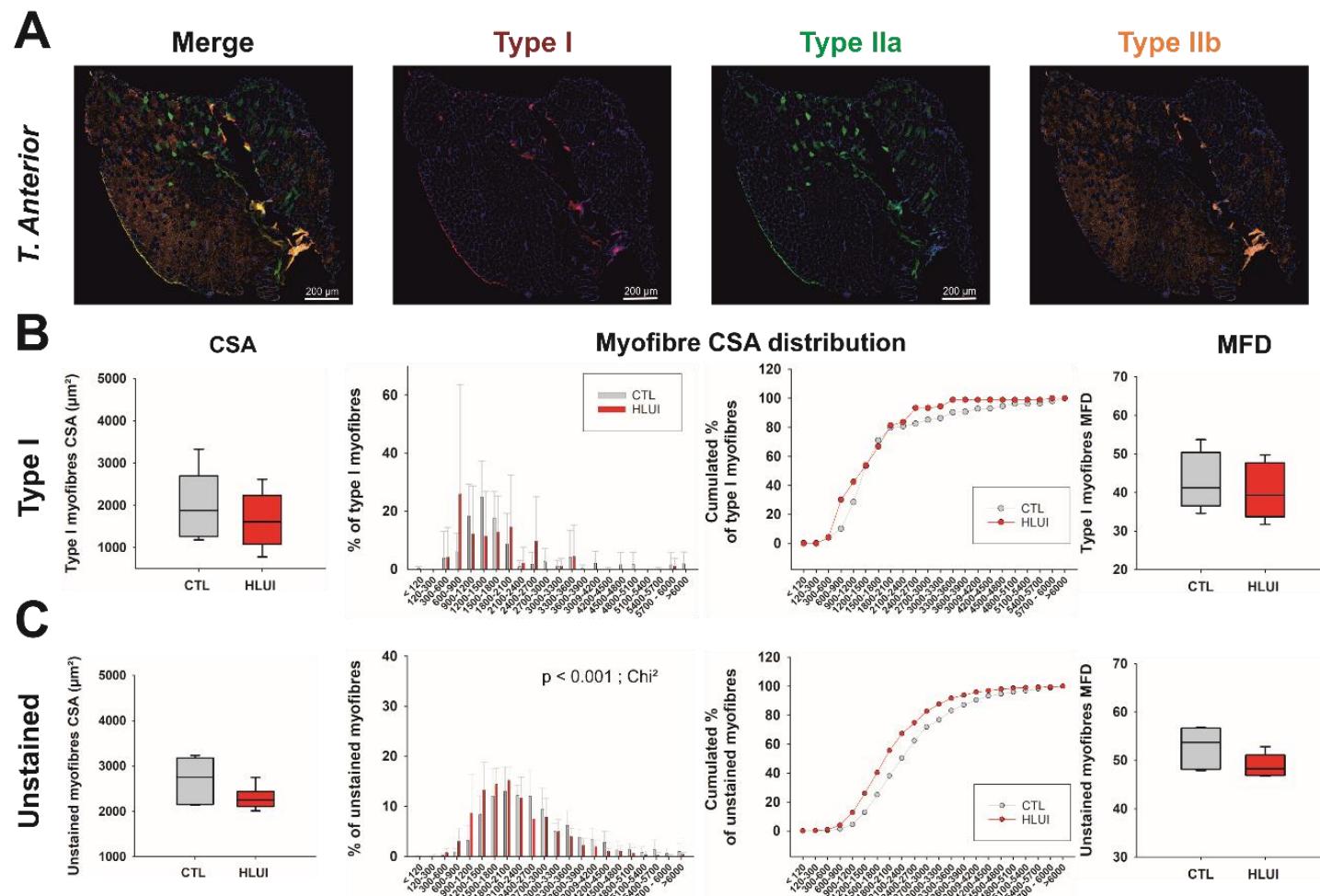
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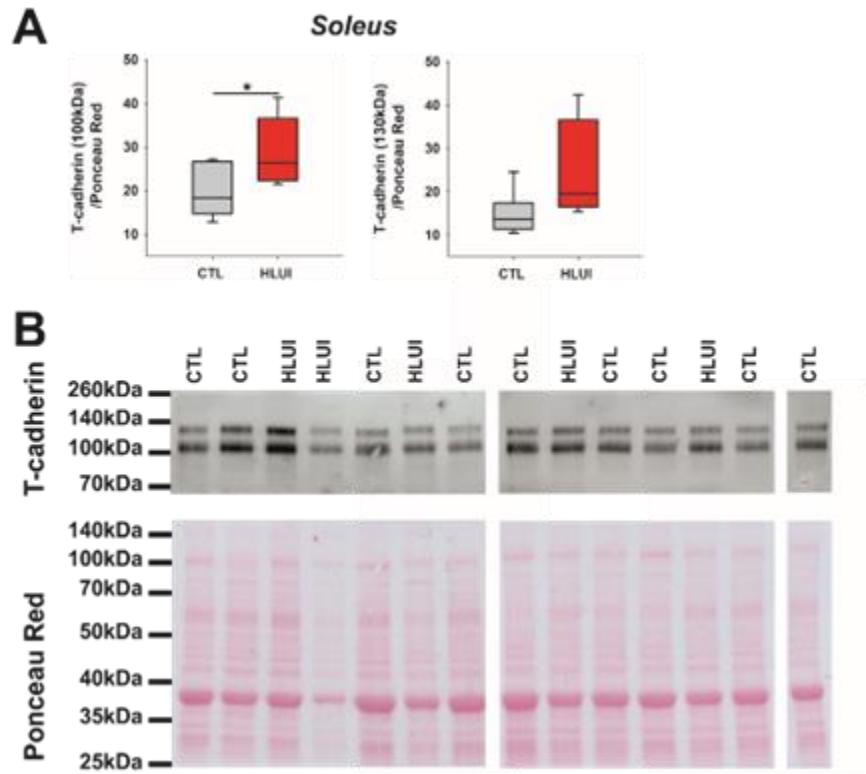
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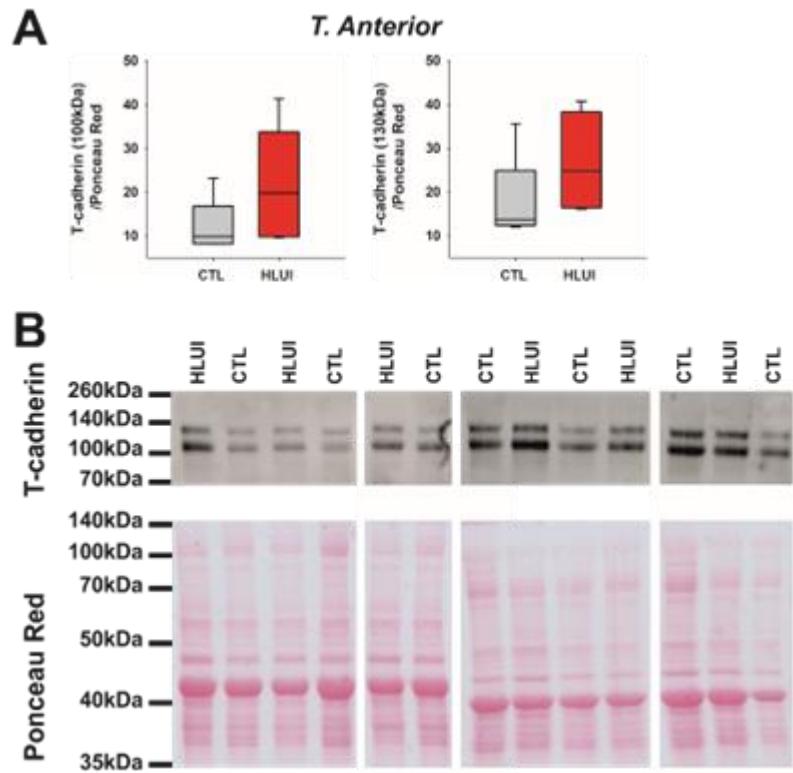
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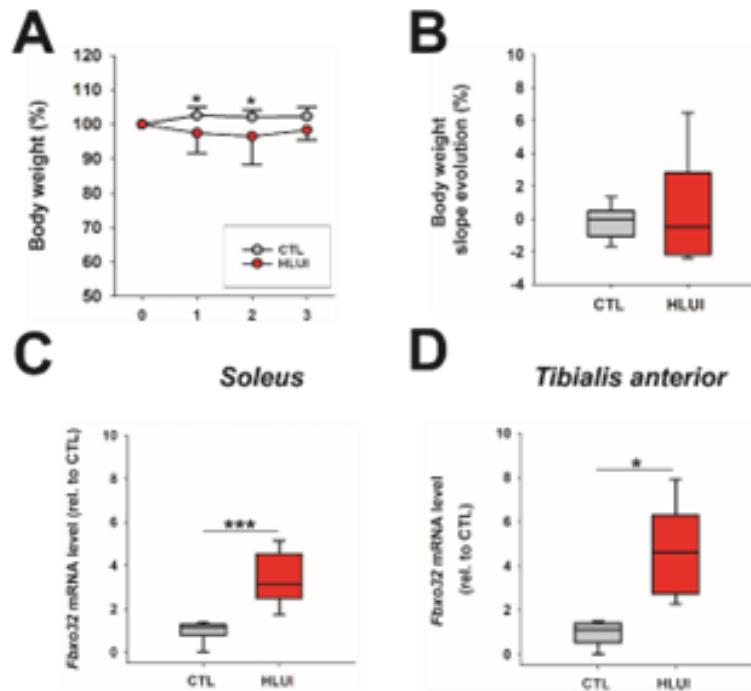
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