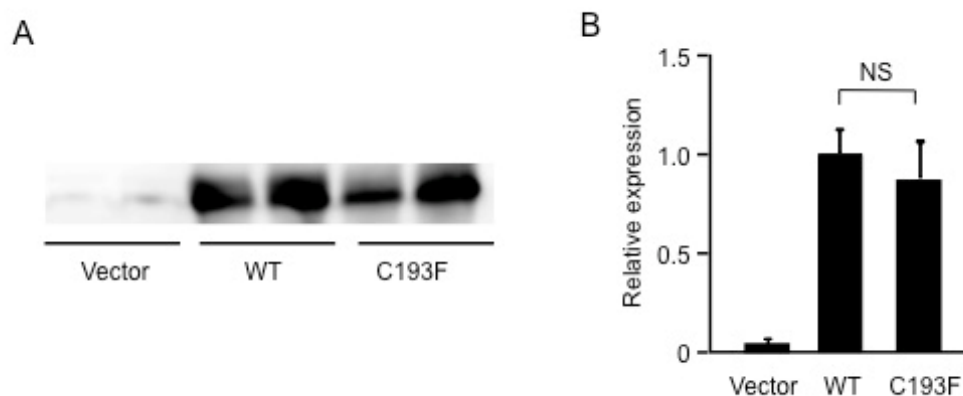


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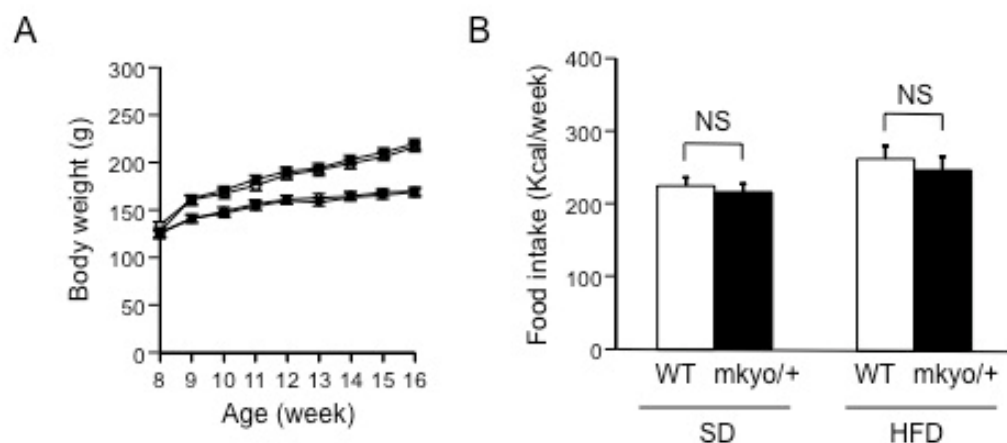
Western blot analyses for effect of C197F mutation on PPAR γ 2 protein expression. (A) Representative blot performed with anti-FLAG mouse antibody. (B) Quantification of WT PPAR γ 2 and C197F mutant protein expression. Values of WT PPAR γ 2 are defined as 1.0. Vector, pTARGET empty vector; WT, pTARGET-3xFLAG-WT PPAR γ 2 vector; C193F, pTARGET-3xFLAG-C193F mutant PPAR γ 2 vector. Values are means \pm SEM of 3 independent experiments. NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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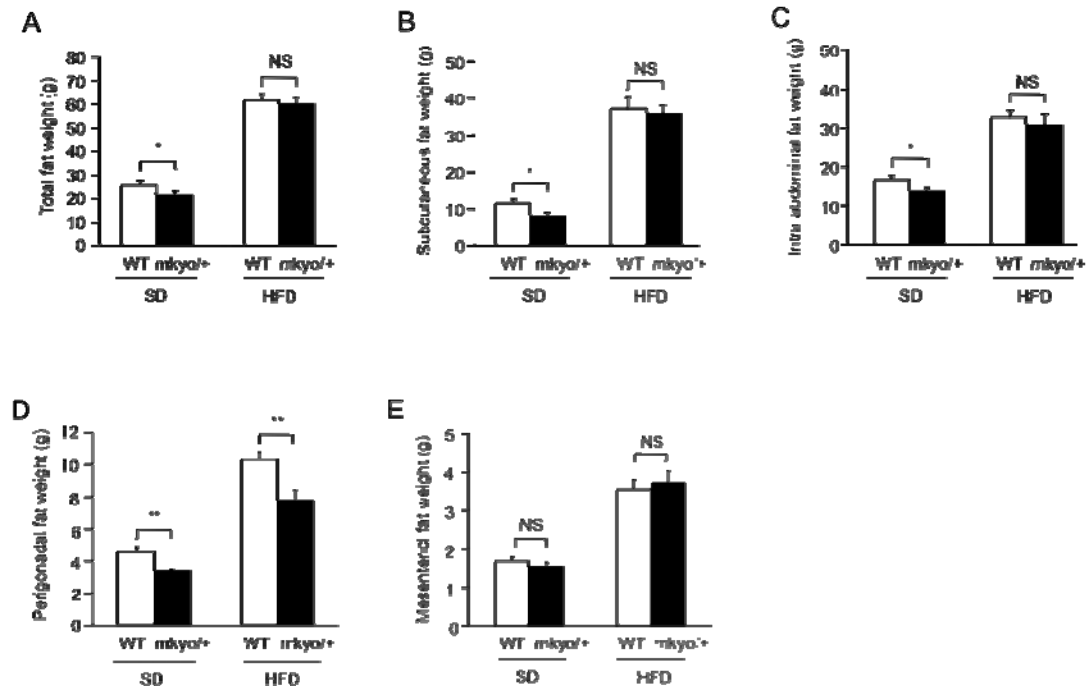
Effect of HFD on body weight and food intake in female *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats. (A) Body weight in female *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates. HFD was started at 8 weeks old. ○, WT rats under SD; ●, *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats under SD; □, WT rats under HFD; ■, *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats under HFD. Values are means ± SEM (n = 6 per group). (B) Food intake in female *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. Values are means ± SEM (n = 6 per group). NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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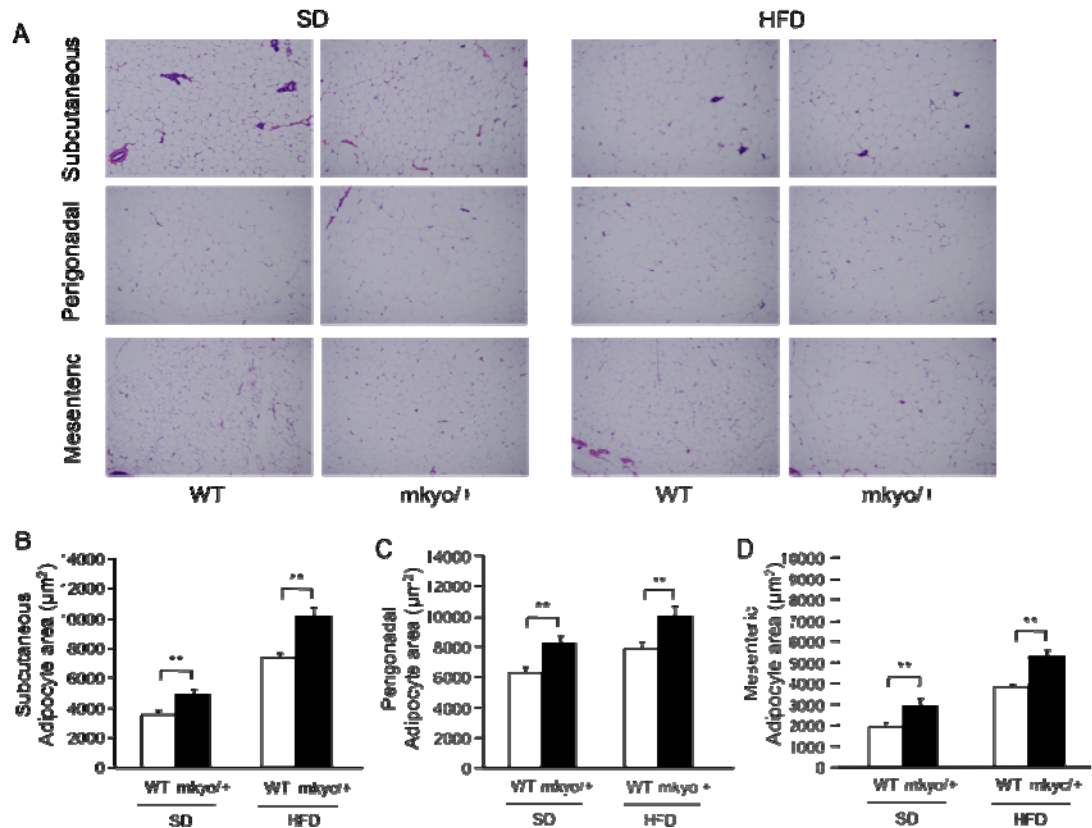
Site-specific fat weight in female *Pparg*^{mkyl/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. (A, B, C) Weight of total fat (A), subcutaneous fat (B) and intra abdominal fat (C) measured by whole body CT scan. (D, E) Weight of perigonadal fat (D) and mesenteric fat (E) measured directly. Values are means \pm SEM (n = 6 per group). ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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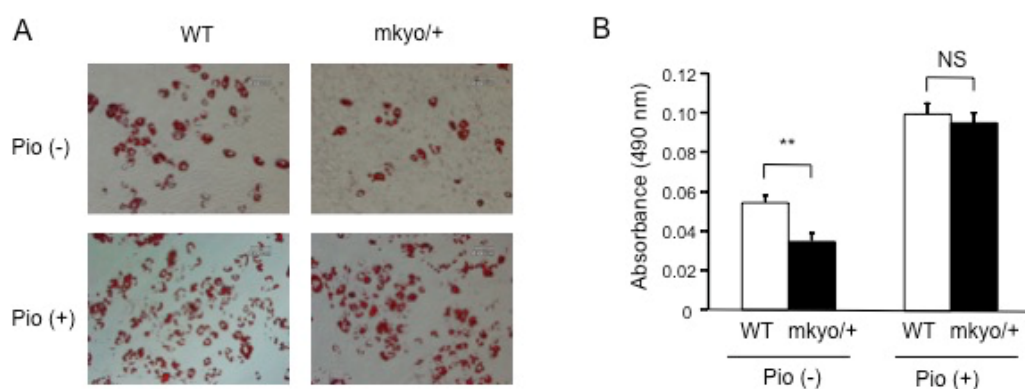
Site-specific adipocyte mean size in female *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. (A) Histological images of subcutaneous (inguinal), perigonadal and mesenteric fats. For histological examination, hematoxylin and eosin staining was used. Original magnification of x100 is shown. (B, C, D) Mean cross-sectional area of adipocyte in subcutaneous (inguinal) (B), perigonadal (C) and mesenteric fats (D). Values are means \pm SEM (n = 6 per group). ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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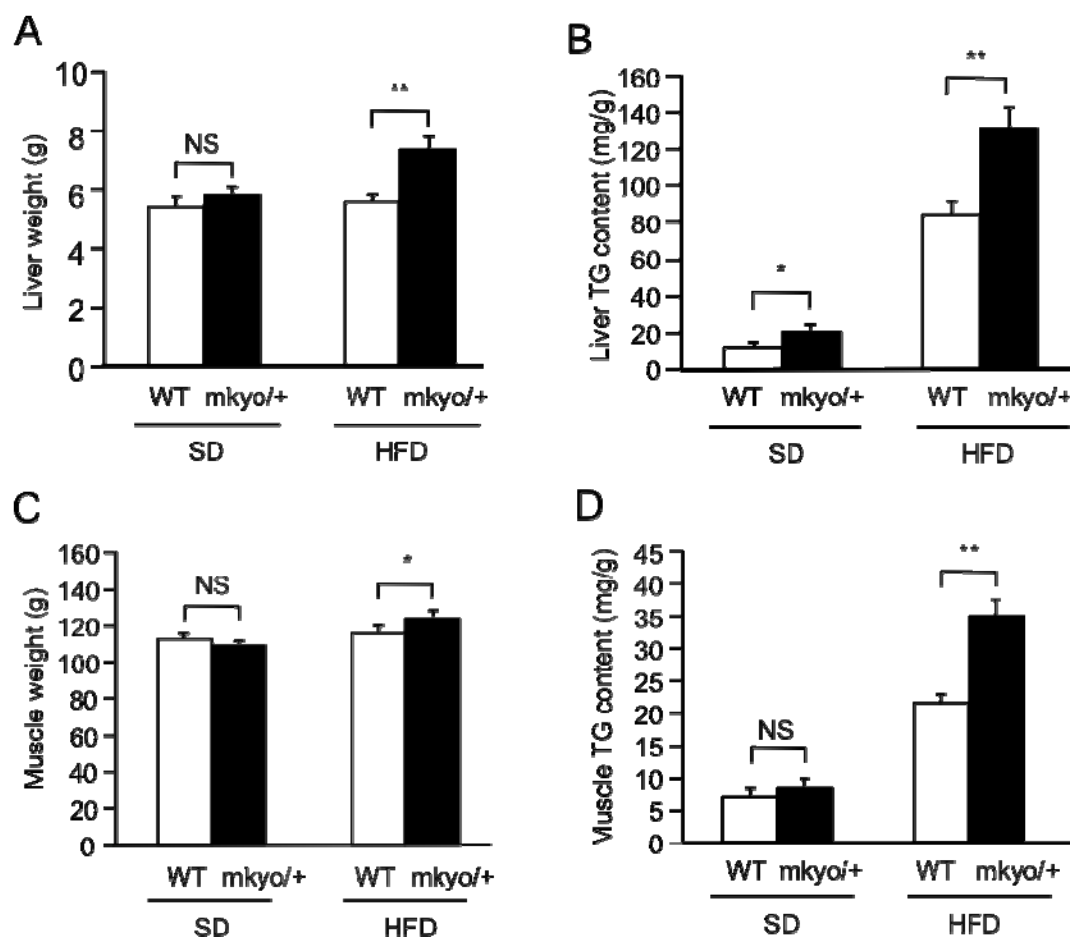
Adipocyte differentiation in rat dermal fibroblasts (RDFs) from WT and *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats. RDFs were obtained from abdominal skin from WT and *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats at 6 weeks of age. Adipocyte differentiation was initiated after 2 days at confluence in 10% FBS/DMEM with 10 µg/ml insulin, 0.5 mM IBMX, and 0.25µM Dexamethasone for 2 days. Then, cells were maintained in 10% FBS/DMEM containing 10µg/ml insulin, with or without 5 µM pioglitazone for 14 days. (A) Micrographs of RDFs stained with Oil Red O. Original magnification of x40 is shown. (B) Absorbance values at 490 nm of extracted Oil Red O from RDFs. Values are means ± SEM of 3 independent experiments. ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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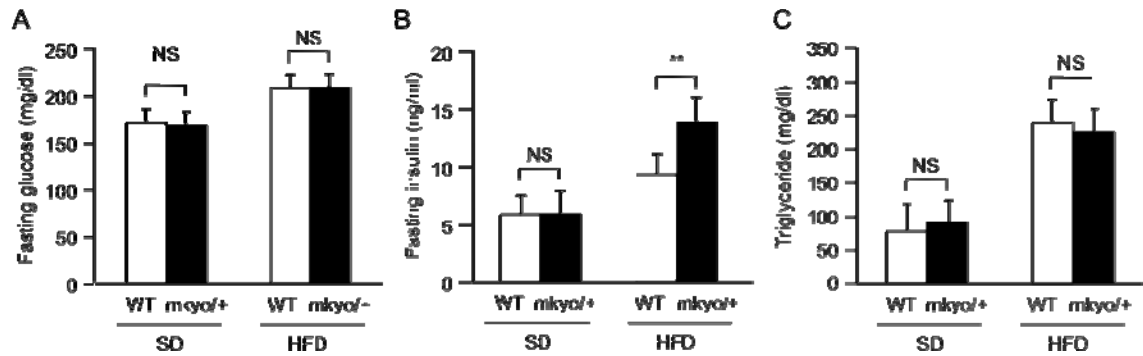
Phenotypes of liver and skeletal muscle in female *Pparg*^{mk^{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. (A) Liver weight, (B) liver triglyceride (TG) content, (C) total muscle weight measured by whole body CT scan and (D) TG content in gastrocnemius muscle. Values are means \pm SEM (n = 6 per group). **P* < 0.05, ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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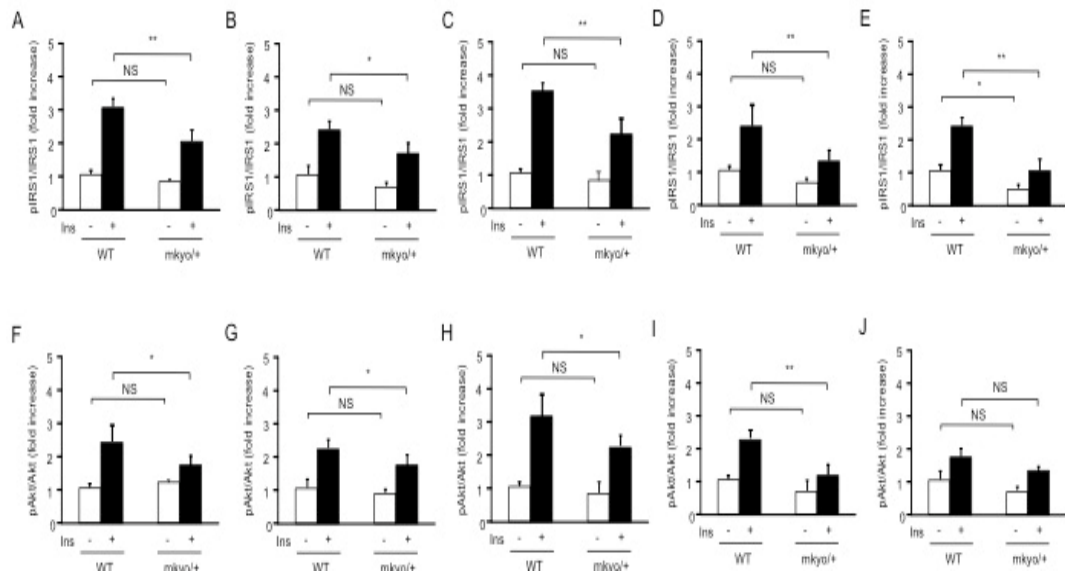
Glucose and lipid metabolism in female *Pparg*^{mkyo/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. (A) Fasting plasma glucose, (B) fasting plasma insulin concentrations and (C) fasting plasma triglyceride. Values are means ± SEM (n = 6 per group). ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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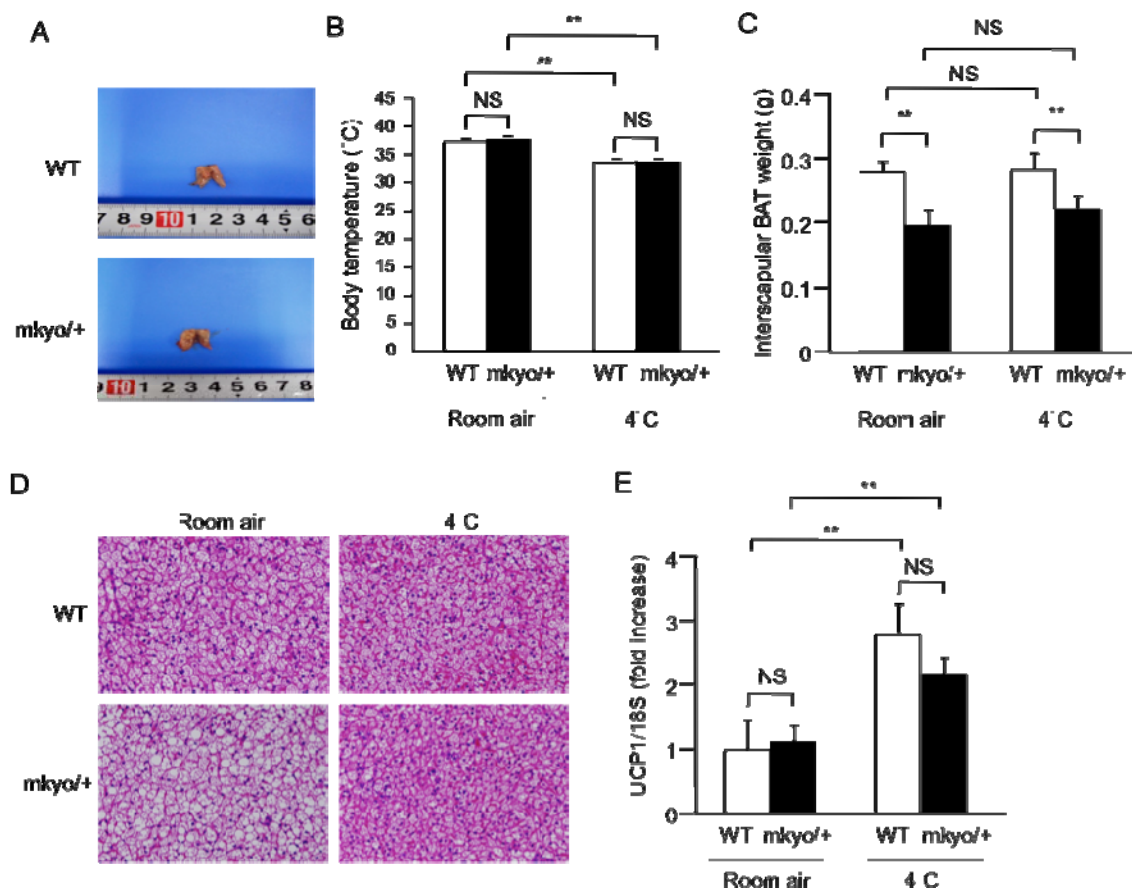
Insulin induced phosphorylation of IRS1 and Akt in various tissues in male *Pparg^{mkyl}/+* rats and their WT littermates under HFD. Tissues were sampled 30 min after insulin intraperitoneal injection (0.75 IU/kg). Western blot analyses for phospho-IRS1, IRS1, phospho-Akt and Akt were performed in subcutaneous (inguinal) (A, F), epididymal (B, G) and mesenteric fats (C, H), liver (D, I) and gastrocnemius muscle (E, J). (A, B, C, D, E) phospho-IRS1/IRS1 ratio. (F, G, H, I, J) phospho-Akt/Akt ratio. Values are means \pm SEM (n = 4 per group). **P* < 0.05, ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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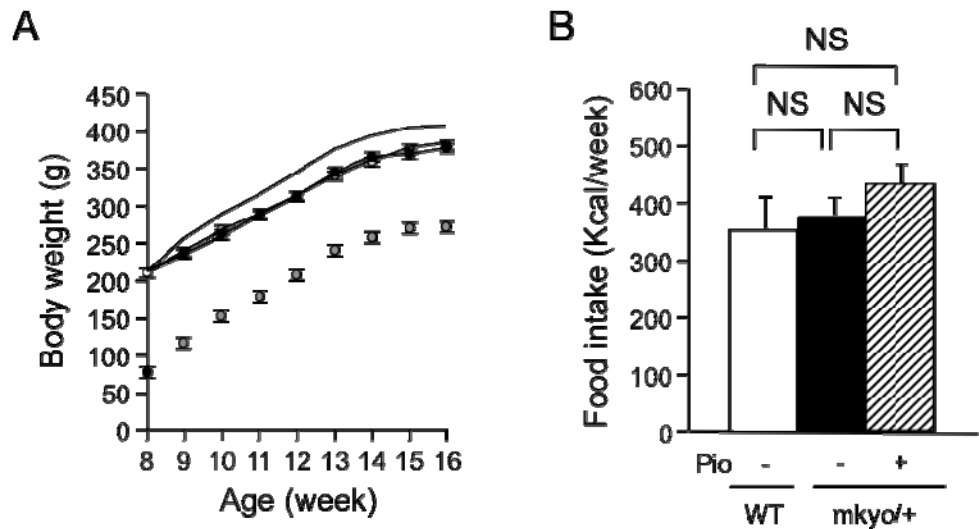
Phenotypes of brown adipose tissue in *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats. (A) Macroscopic images of the interscapular BAT in a 16 weeks old male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rat and its WT littermate. (B) Body temperature before and after 24 h exposure of 4°C or room temperature in 16 weeks old male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates. (C) Interscapular BAT weight after 24 h exposure of 4°C or room temperature in *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates. (D) Histological images of the interscapular BAT after 24 h exposure of 4°C or room temperature in *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates. Hematoxylin and eosin staining was used. Original magnification of x200 is shown. (E) *Ucp1* mRNA expression in interscapular BAT after 24 h exposure of 4°C or room temperature in *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates. Quantitative RT-PCR was performed with SYBR Green (Applied Biosystems) using gene specific primers (rat *Ucp1* forward; 5'-AGACATCATCACCTTCCC-3', reverse; 5'-CAGCTGTTCAAAGCACAC-3'). *Ucp1* mRNA expression levels were normalized by 18S. The fold change is displayed as relative to WT rats under room temperature. (B, C, E) Values are mean ± SEM (*n* = 4 per group). ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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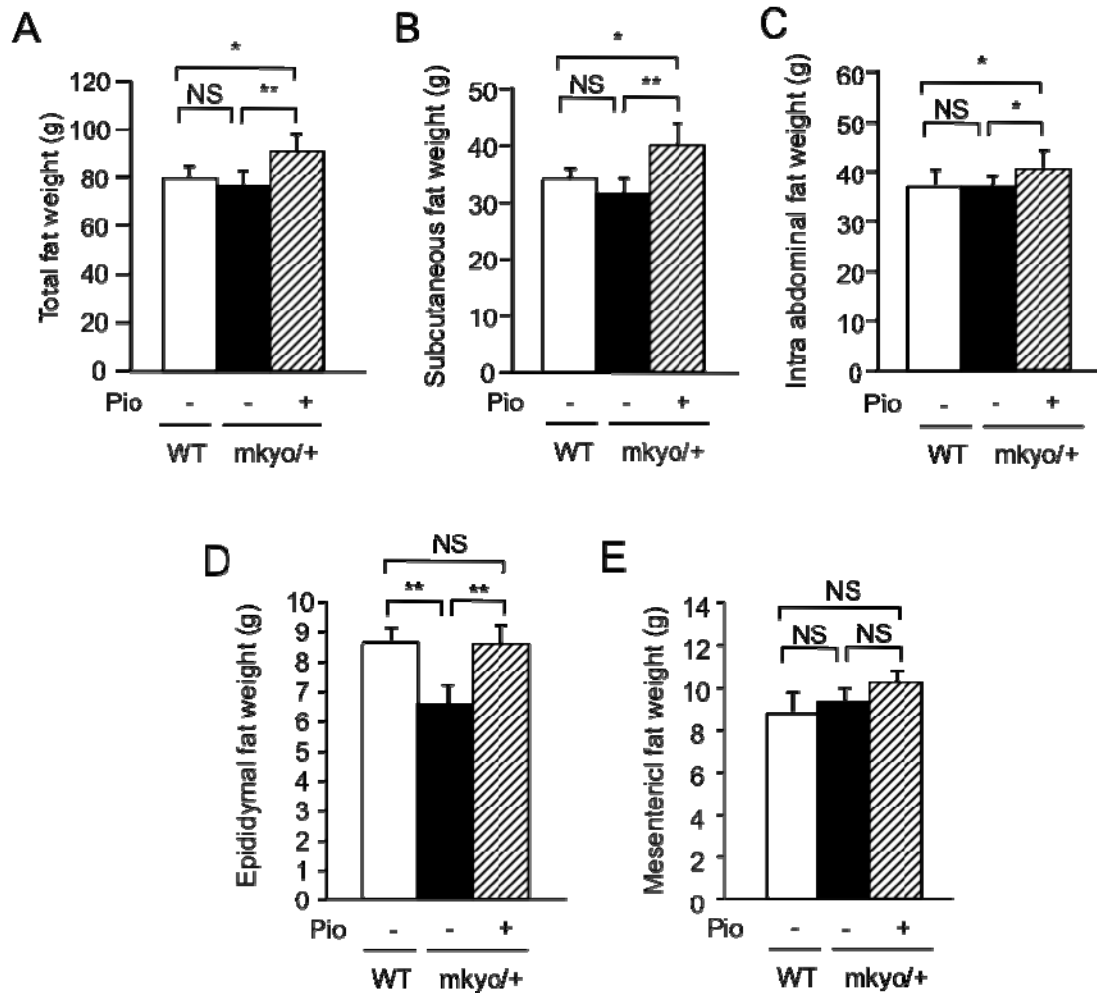
Effect of pioglitazone treatment on body weight and food intake in male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}}/+ rats under HFD. (A) Body weight in male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}}/+ rats. HFD and pioglitazone treatment was started at 8 weeks old. Open circle, WT rats with vehicle treatment; black circle, *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}}/+ rats with vehicle treatment; gray circle, *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}}/+ rats with pioglitazone treatment. Values are means ± SEM (n = 5 per group). (B) Food intake in male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}}/+ rats with or without pioglitazone treatment under HFD. Values are means ± SEM (n = 5 per group). NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).



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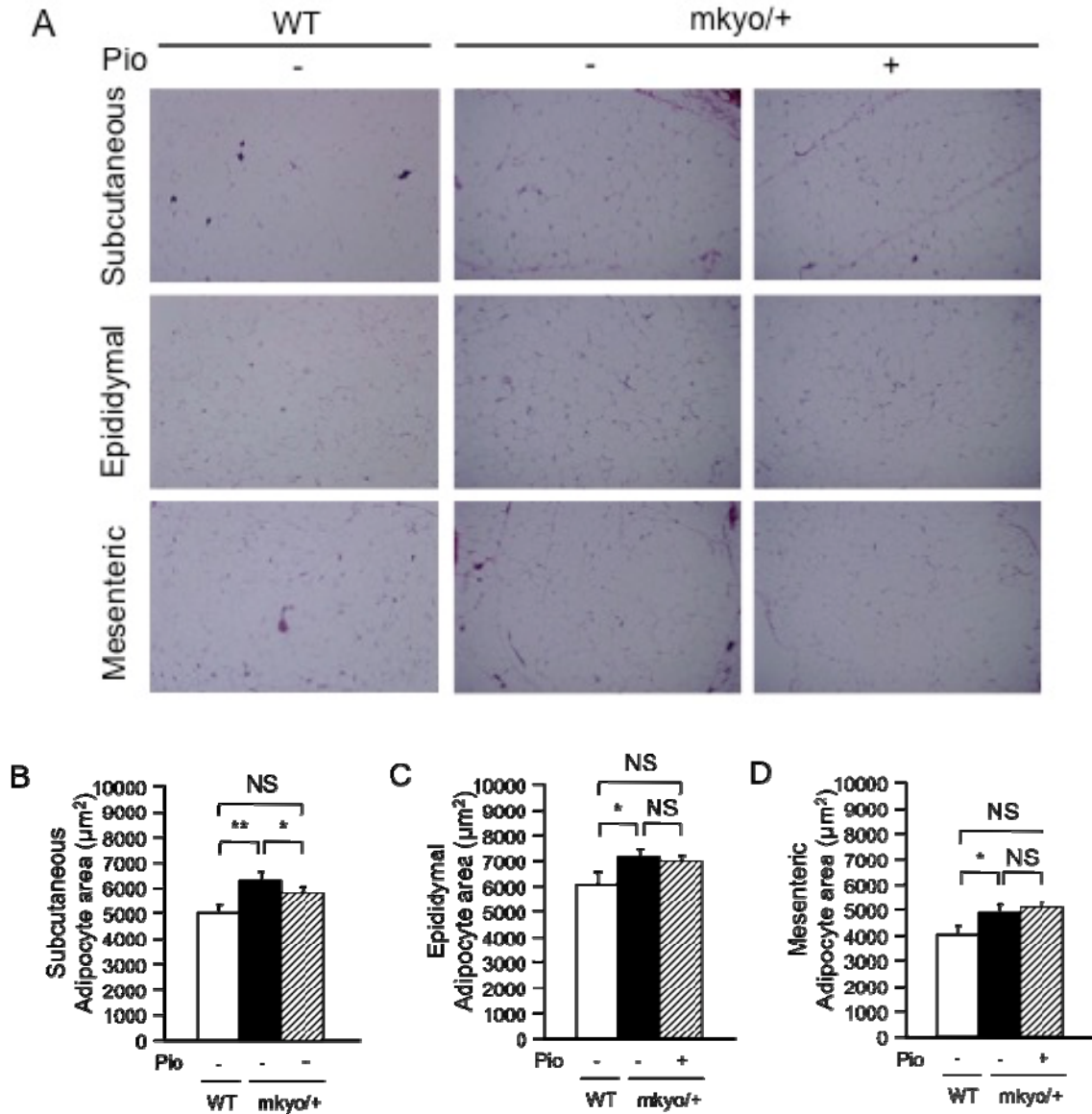
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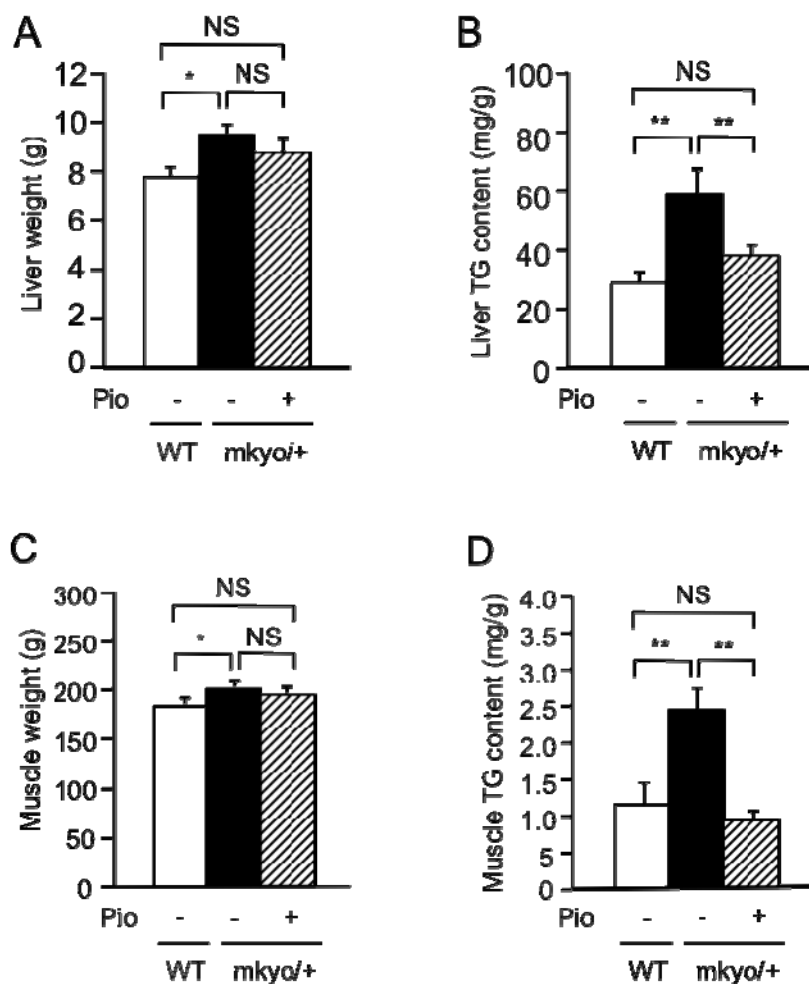
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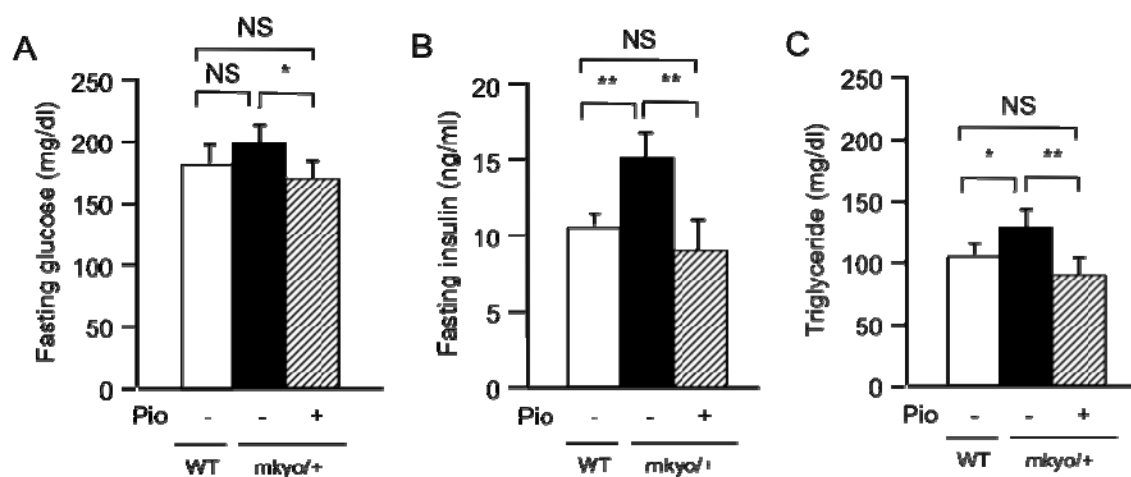
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Supplementary Figure 14.

Effect of pioglitazone treatment on glucose and lipid metabolism in male *Pparg*^{mkyl}/+ rats under HFD. (A) Fasting plasma glucose, (B) fasting plasma insulin concentrations and (C) fasting plasma triglyceride. Values are means \pm SEM (n = 5 per group). **P* < 0.05, ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).

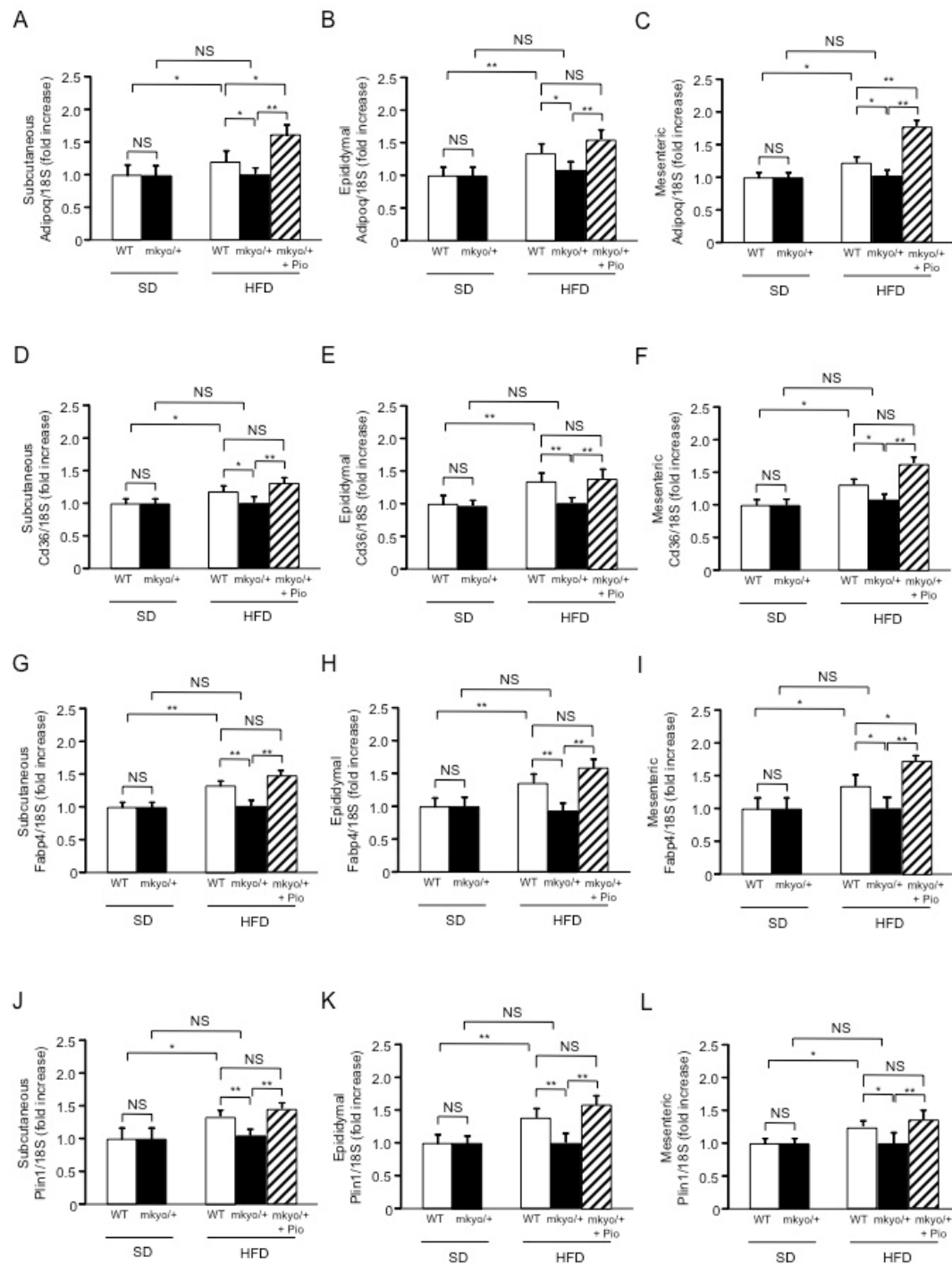


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Supplementary Figure 15.

Adipoq, *Cd36*, *Fabp4* and *Plin1* mRNA expressions in fat tissues in male *Pparg^{mk_{yo}}/+* rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. Quantitative RT-PCR was performed with the TaqMan ready-made primer and probe sets (Applied Biosystems). (A, B, C) *Adipoq*, (D, E, F) *Cd36*, (G, H, I) *Cd36* and (J, K, L) *Plin1* mRNA expressions in (A, D, G, J) subcutaneous, (B, E, H, K) epididymal, and (C, F, I, L) mesenteric fats. *Pparg^{mk_{yo}}/+* rats under HFD were treated with pioglitazone or vehicle. mRNA expression levels were normalized by 18S. The fold change is displayed as relative to WT rats under SD. Values are means \pm SEM ($n = 5$ per group). * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).

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Supplementary Figure 16.

Pparg, *Fsp27* and *Cd36* mRNA expressions in liver and gastrocnemius muscle in male *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats and their WT littermates under SD or HFD. Quantitative RT-PCR was performed with the TaqMan ready-made primer and probe sets (Applied Biosystems). (A, D) *Pparg*, (B, E) *Fsp27* and (C, F) *Cd36* mRNA expressions in (A, B, C) liver and (D, E, F) gastrocnemius muscle. *Pparg*^{mk_{yo}/+} rats under HFD were treated with pioglitazone or vehicle. mRNA expression levels were normalized by 18S. The fold change is displayed as relative to WT rats under SD. Values are means ± SEM (*n* = 5 per group). **P* < 0.05, ***P* < 0.01, NS, not significant (Student's *t*-test).

