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A Comprehensive Approach to Sample Preparation for Electron Microscopy and the Assessment of Mitochondrial Morphology in Tissue and Cultured Cells

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Figure S1. Quantification of mitochondrial characteristics in *Opa1*-deficient skeletal muscle myoblasts and *Mfn2*-deficient or *Opa1*-deficient skeletal muscle myotubes.

A. Western blot shows successful knockout and reduced expression of DRP-1, MFN2, and OPA1. GAPDH was used as a control. **B-D.** Qualitative polymerase chain reaction showed reduced *Opa-1*, *Drp-1* and

Mfn2 gene expression. Ultrastructure of control (**E-G**) and *Drp-1*-deficient (**H-J**) primary skeletal muscle myotubes. Quantification of mitochondria length (**K**), mitochondria area (**L**), cristae score (**M**), cristae number (**N**), and cristae surface area (**O**) in control and *Drp-1*-deficient primary skeletal muscle myotubes. Significance was determined using a Mann-Whitney *t*-test. ***P* < 0.01, *****P*<0.0001.



Figure S2. MERCs ultrastructure in *Drp-1*-deficient primary skeletal muscle myotubes.

Ultrastructure of control (**A-B**) and *Drp-1*-deficient (**C-D**) primary skeletal muscle myotubes. Significant increase in area (**E**) and MERCs distance (**F**) were observed in *Drp-1* KO cells compared to control. Significance was determined using a Mann-Whitney *t*-test. *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001, ****P < 0.0001.

Video S1. 3D reconstruction of MERCs in WT drosophila flight muscle.

Video S2. 3D reconstruction of MERCs in drosophila flight muscle with *Opa1* knockdown.

Video 3S. 3D reconstruction of MERCs in *Opa1*^{*fl/fl*} mouse myotubes.

Video S4. 3D reconstruction of MERCs in *Opa1^{fl/fl}-Cre* myotubes.

Video S5. 3D reconstruction of mitochondria membranes (red), ER (green), actin (blue), LDs (cyan), lysosomes (magenta), and MERCs (white space) in WT mouse gastrocnemius muscle.