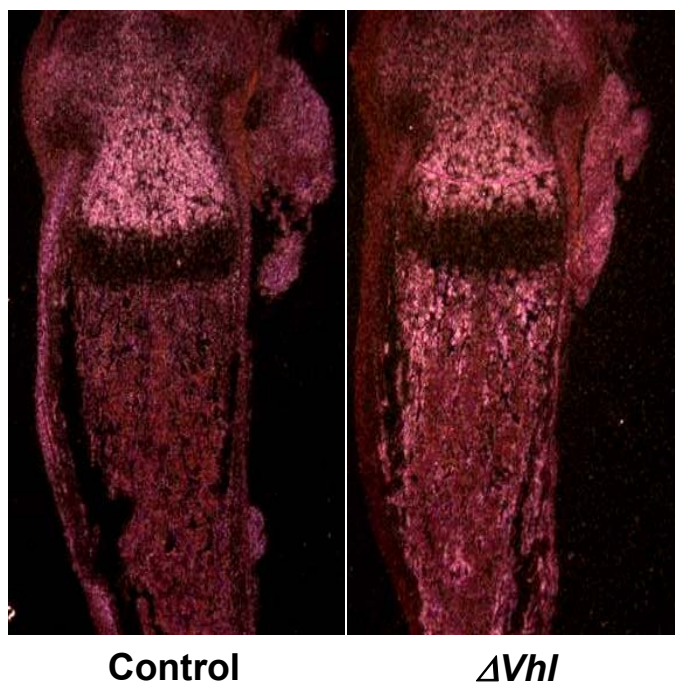
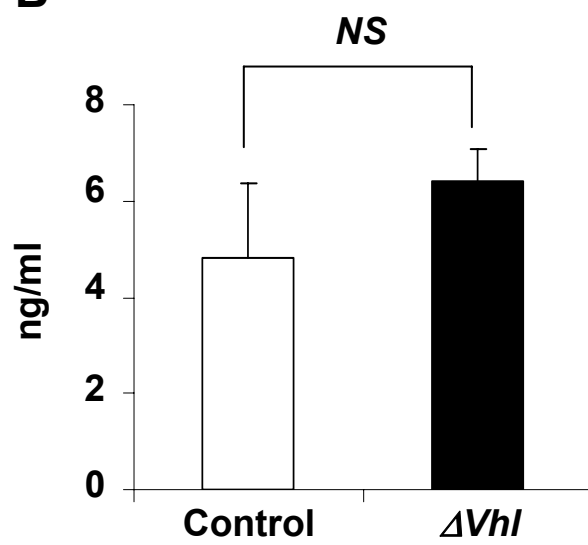
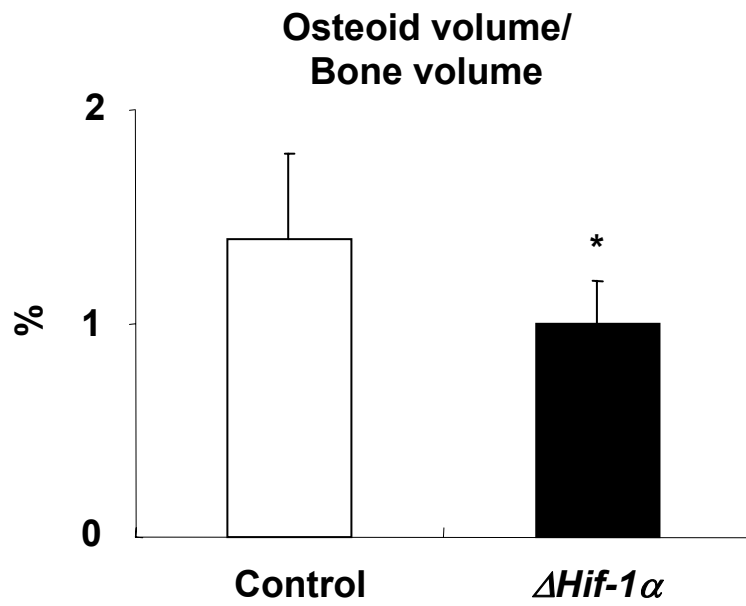
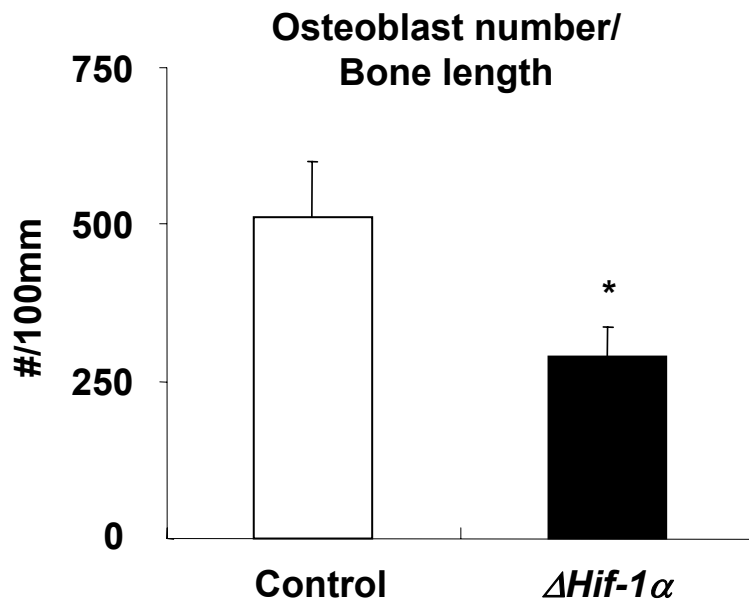


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Supplemental figure 1

Vhl deletion in mouse osteoblasts is associated with increased *Vegf* mRNA. Confluent monolayers of *Vhl* floxed primary osteoblasts were infected with either Adeno GFP or Adeno CreM1 (100 MOI) for 48 h. Total mRNA was extracted from confluent monolayers and gene expression of *Vegf_{all}*, *Vegf₁₂₀*, *Vegf₁₆₄*, and *Vegf₁₈₈* was determined by quantitative real-time PCR using sequence specific primers. Open bars represent Adeno GFP infection and solid bars represent Adeno CreM1 infection. *Vegf_{all}*, all *mVEGF* isoforms. *, $P < 0.05$; **, $P < 0.01$; ***, $P < 0.001$.

Supplemental figure 2

Osteoblast numbers and serum osteocalcin in ΔVhl and control mice. **(A and B)** Histomorphometric analyses for osteoblast numbers were performed on femoral sections from ΔVhl mice (solid bars, $n = 7$) and controls (open bars, $n = 6$) at 3 weeks of age as described under “Methods”. **(A)** Osteoblast numbers per trabecular bone surface. **(B)** Osteoblast numbers per tissue area. Data represent mean \pm SE. *, $P < 0.05$. **(C)** Serum levels of osteocalcin were measured in control and ΔVhl mice at 6 weeks of age by ELISA, as described under “Methods”. Data represent mean \pm SE. $n = 3$. NS, not significant.

Supplemental figure 3

Osteoclast numbers and serum TRAP5b in ΔVhl and control mice. **(A and B)** Histomorphometric analyses for osteoclast numbers on femoral sections from ΔVhl mice (solid bars, $n = 7$) and controls (open bars, $n = 6$) at 3 weeks of age as described under “Methods”. **(A)** Osteoclast numbers per trabecular bone surface. **(B)** Osteoclast numbers per tissue area. Data represent mean \pm SE. NS, not significant. **(C and D)**

Serum levels of OPG and TRAP 5b were measured in control and ΔVhl mice at 6 weeks of age by ELISA, as described under “Methods”. Data represent mean \pm SE. $n = 3$. *NS*, not significant.

Supplemental figure 4

Elevated *Pgk* mRNA expression and un-changed circulating VEGF level in ΔVhl mice.

(A) *In situ* hybridization analysis with *Pgk* mRNA on histological sections from 3-day-old control and *Vhl* mutant femurs was performed as described under “Methods”.

Magnification, $\times 40$. (B) Serum levels of VEGF were measured in control and ΔVhl mice at 12 weeks of age by ELISA, as described under “Methods”. Data represent mean \pm SE. $n = 5$. *NS*, not significant.

Supplemental figure 5

Decreased bone volume and osteoblast numbers in mice lacking *Hif-1 α* in osteoblasts.

Histomorphometric analyses were performed on femoral sections from $\Delta Hif-1\alpha$ mice and controls at 3 weeks of age as described under “Methods”. Comparison of osteoid volume (A) and osteoblast numbers (B) between control (open bars, $n = 6$) and $\Delta Hif-1\alpha$ mice (solid bars, $n = 6$) are shown. Data represent mean \pm SE. *, $P < 0.05$.