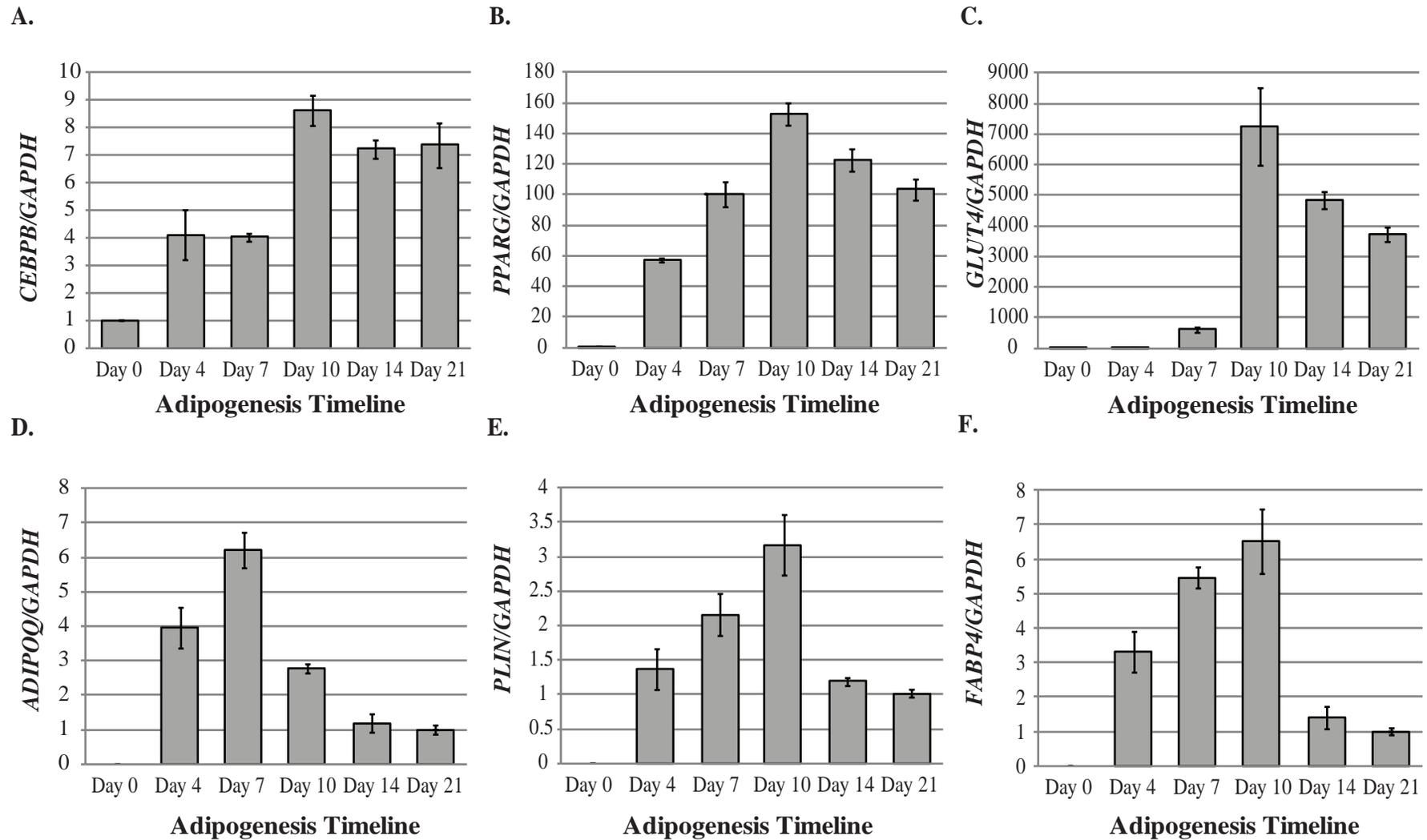


**Supplementary Figure 1: Relative expression of *CEBPB*, *PPARG*, *GLUT4*, *ADIPOQ*, *PLIN* and *FABP4* during 21 days of adipogenesis in SGBS cells.** Expression levels of target genes were determined by quantitative RT-PCR and are normalized to the control GAPDH gene.



**Supplementary Figure 2: LipiD-QuanT performance on synthetic images with LDs and drawbacks of Oil Red O staining method for monitoring adipogenesis.**

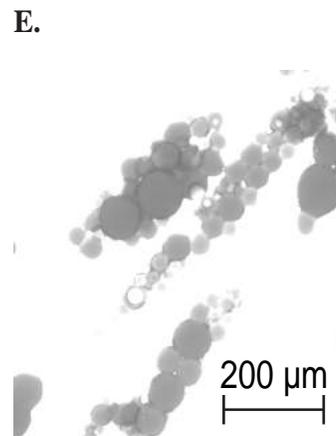
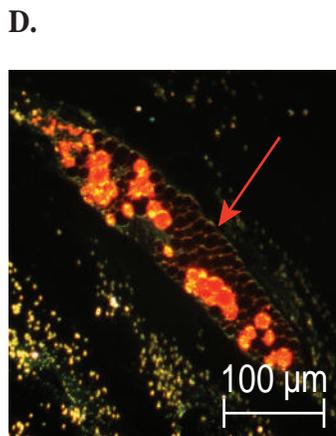
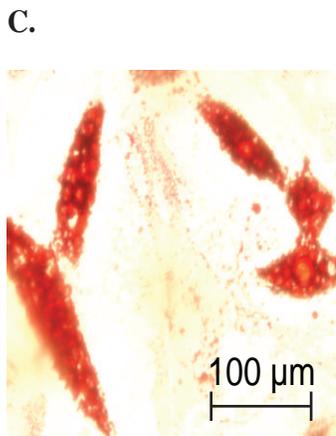
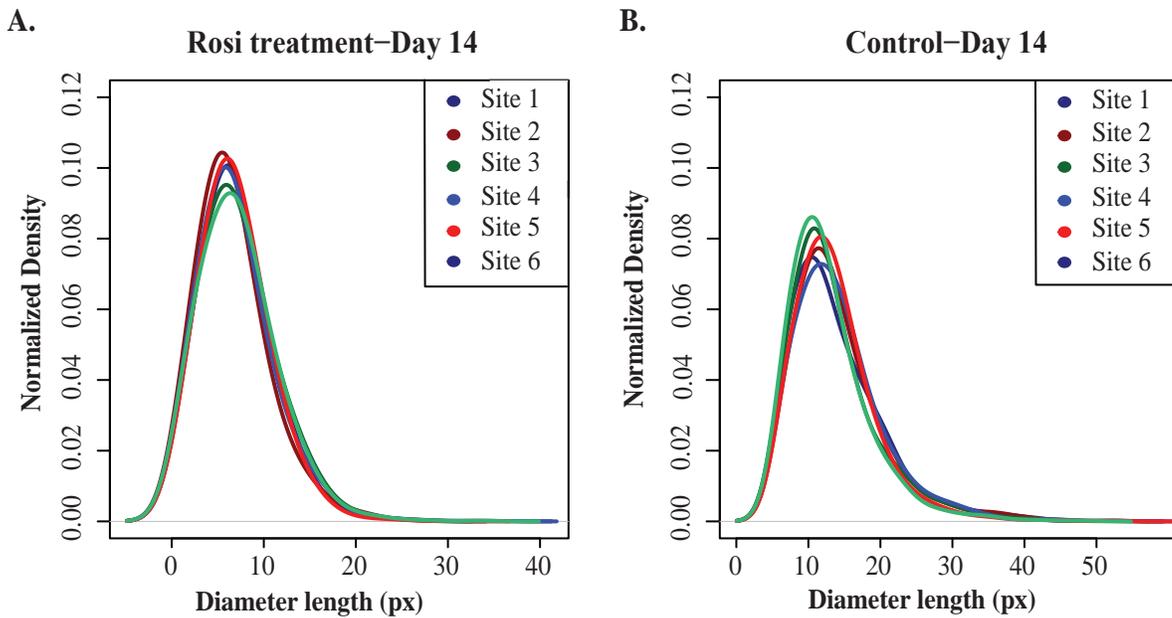
**A-** The LD diameter size density distribution is consistent between images taken from different parts of the same well containing 2  $\mu\text{mol/L}$  Rosiglitazone treated cells on day 14 (n=4,572 LDs in 6 images).

**B-** The LD diameter size density distribution is consistent between images taken from different parts of the same well containing untreated cells on day 14 (n =1,679 LDs in 6 images).

**C-** Oil Red O stained SGBS adipocytes with a few burst LDs and high background staining under phase contrast microscopy.

**D-** Oil Red O stained SGBS adipocytes with a few burst LDs with three dimensional mapping using Cytoviva microscopy.

**E-** Phase contrast image of well-fixed and Oil Red O stained mature SGBS adipocytes. This illustrates the variability of Oil Red O staining, as apparent by the variability in staining intensities of LD's of similar sizes.



Supplementary Table 1: Sequence of PCR primers used in quantitative RT-PCR.

Gene Name (Human)	Gene Bank ID	Amplicon (nt)	Primer Name	Length	Sequence
<b>Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (<i>GAPDH</i>)</b>	NM_002046.3	66	<b>GAPDH-Forward</b>	19	AGCCACATCGCTCAGACAC
			<b>GAPDH-Reverse</b>	19	GCCAATACGACCAAATCC
<b>CCAAT/enhancer binding protein (C/EBP), beta (<i>CEBPB</i>)</b>	NM_005194.2	65	<b>CEBPB-Forward</b>	18	CGCTTACCTCGGCTACCA
			<b>CEBPB-Reverse</b>	19	ACGAGGAGGACGTGGAGAG
<b>Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma (<i>PPARG</i>)</b>	NM_138712.3	96	<b>PPARG-Forward</b>	24	GACAGGAAAGACAACAGACAAATC
			<b>PPARG-Reverse</b>	21	GGGGTGATGTGTTTGA ACTTG
<b>Adiponectin, C1Q and collagen domain containing (<i>ADIPOQ</i>)</b>	NM_004797.3	61	<b>ADIPOQ- Forward</b>	21	GGTGAGAAGGGTGAGAAAGGA
			<b>ADIPOQ- Reverse</b>	21	TTTACCGATGTCTCCCTTAG
<b>Perilipin 1 (<i>PLIN</i>)</b>	NM_002666.4	101	<b>PLIN-Forward</b>	24	ACATTAAAGGGAAGAAGTTGAAGC
			<b>PLIN-Reverse</b>	19	GCAGCACATTCTCCTGCTC
<b>Solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 4 (<i>SLC2A4/GLUT4</i>)</b>	NM_001042.2	62	<b>GLUT4-Forward</b>	20	CTGTGCCATCCTGATGACTG
			<b>GLUT4-Reverse</b>	20	CGTAGCTCATGGCTGGA ACT
<b>Fatty acid binding protein 4, adipocyte (<i>FABP4</i>)</b>	NM_001442.2	70	<b>FABP4-Forward</b>	23	CCACCATAAAGAGAAAACGAGAG
			<b>FABP4-Reverse</b>	20	GTGGAAGTGACGCCTTTCAT