

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Data of Supplementary Table S1 is presented in Full Text version of this manuscript.

Table S1. Genes that differed between Elderly - negative Fold Change (FC), and Adults - positive FC ($p < 0.05$).

Supplementary Table S2. Classification of differentially expressed genes (p -value < 0.05) according to Panther Biological Processes in DAVID

| Biological Process | Genes counted | p.value ^a |
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| <i>Elderly</i> | | |
| Immunity and defense | 58 | 8.7E-06 |
| Hematopoiesis | 7 | 9.0E-03 |
| Lipid, fatty acid and steroid metabolism | 30 | 1.1E-02 |
| Blood clotting | 7 | 2.6E-02 |
| Detoxification | 6 | 2.8E-02 |
| B-cell- and antibody-mediated immunity | 7 | 3.0E-02 |
| Protein phosphorylation | 25 | 3.1E-02 |
| Lipid metabolism | 9 | 3.3E-02 |
| Intracellular signaling cascade | 31 | 4.1E-02 |
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| <i>Adults</i> | | |
| Protein biosynthesis | 18 | 3.4E-03 |
| Protein folding | 9 | 1.3E-02 |
| Hearing | 4 | 2.0E-02 |
| Pre-mRNA processing | 11 | 3.2E-02 |
| Ectoderm development | 21 | 3.4E-02 |

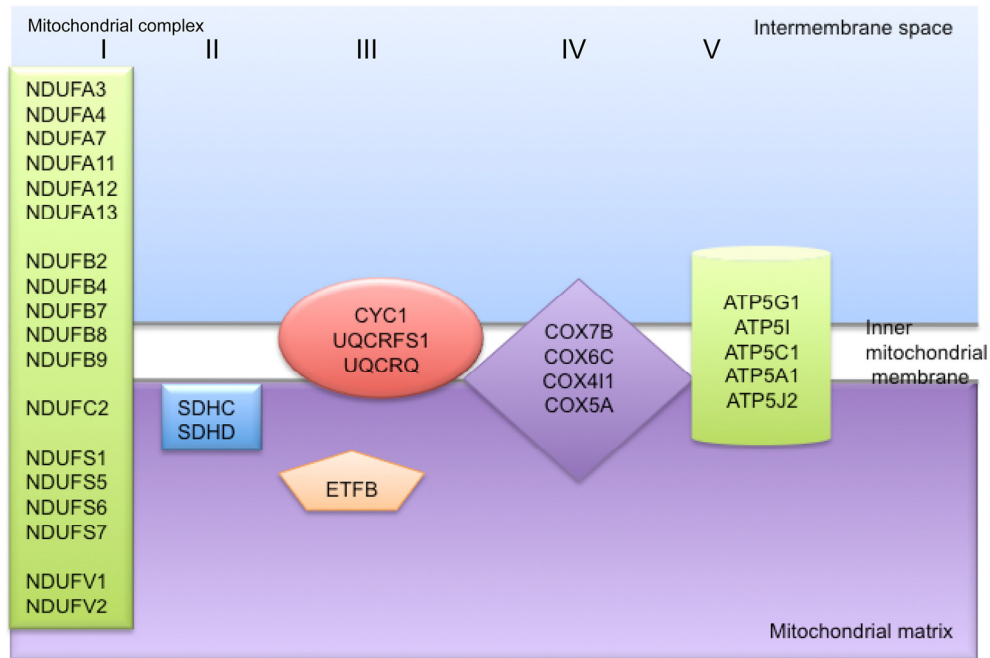
^a by Fisher's exact test.

Supplementary Table S3. GSEA analysis of pathways positively and negatively associated with VO_{2max}

| NAME | Category | NES | FDR (q-val <0.05) |
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| <i>VO_{2max} positively correlated</i> | | | |
| BIOCARTA | TCRA PATHWAY | 2.01 | 0.017 |
| REACTOME | TRANSLATION | 2.31 | 0.001 |
| | SRP DEPENDENT COTRANSLATIONAL PROTEIN TARGETING TO MEMBRANE | 2.25 | 0.001 |
| | 3 UTR MEDIATED TRANSLATIONAL REGULATION | 2.17 | 0.002 |
| | RESPIRATORY ELECTRON TRANSPORT ATP SYNTHESIS BY CHEMIOSMOTIC COUPLING AND HEAT PRODUCTION BY UNCOUPLING PROTEINS | 2.08 | 0.004 |
| | RESPIRATORY ELECTRON TRANSPORT | 2.06 | 0.004 |
| | INFLUENZA VIRAL RNA TRANSCRIPTION AND REPLICATION | 2.03 | 0.006 |
| | PEPTIDE CHAIN ELONGATION | 2.02 | 0.006 |
| | INFLUENZA LIFE CYCLE | 2.00 | 0.006 |
| | PURINE RIBONUCLEOSIDE MONOPHOSPHATE BIOSYNTHESIS | 1.89 | 0.031 |
| | TRANSLOCATION OF ZAP 70 TO IMMUNOLOGICAL SYNAPSE | 1.86 | 0.036 |
| | FORMATION OF THE TERNARY COMPLEX AND SUBSEQUENTLY THE 43S COMPLEX | 1.86 | 0.033 |
| | NONSENSE MEDIATED DECAY ENHANCED BY THE EXON JUNCTION COMPLEX | 1.84 | 0.038 |
| | SYNTHESIS SECRETION AND INACTIVATION OF GLP1 | 1.84 | 0.036 |
| | ACTIVATION OF THE MRNA UPON BINDING OF THE CAP BINDING COMPLEX AND EIFS AND SUBSEQUENT BINDING TO 43S | 1.83 | 0.037 |
| | RNA POL III TRANSCRIPTION INITIATION FROM TYPE 2 PROMOTER | 1.82 | 0.040 |
| | TRNA AMINOACYLATION | 1.80 | 0.046 |
| | MITOCHONDRIAL TRNA AMINOACYLATION | 1.80 | 0.046 |
| | ACETYLCHOLINE NEUROTRANSMITTER RELEASE CYCLE | 1.80 | 0.044 |

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| <i>VO₂max negatively correlated</i> | | | |
| | BIOCARTA | | |
| | VDR PATHWAY | -2.16 | 0.018 |
| | UCALPAIN PATHWAY | -2.00 | 0.025 |
| | RHO PATHWAY | -2.01 | 0.031 |
| | INTEGRIN PATHWAY | -2.06 | 0.034 |
| | AHSP PATHWAY | -1.93 | 0.036 |
| | CELL2CELL PATHWAY | -2.01 | 0.038 |
| | MET PATHWAY | -1.94 | 0.038 |
| REACTOME | | | |
| | RESPONSE TO ELEVATED PLATELET CYTOSOLIC CA ₂ | -2.25 | 0.008 |
| | PLATELET ACTIVATION SIGNALING AND AGGREGATION | -2.15 | 0.014 |
| | TOLL RECEPTOR CASCADES | -2.13 | 0.013 |
| | SPRY REGULATION OF FGF SIGNALING | -2.10 | 0.015 |
| | INFLAMMASOMES | -2.06 | 0.019 |
| | SMOOTH MUSCLE CONTRACTION | -2.04 | 0.020 |
| | EGFR DOWNREGULATION | -2.03 | 0.020 |
| | MYD88 MAL CASCADE INITIATED ON PLASMA MEMBRANE | -2.02 | 0.020 |
| | ADVANCED GLYCOSYLATION ENDPRODUCT RECEPTOR SIGNALING | -2.02 | 0.018 |
| | HEMOSTASIS | -2.01 | 0.017 |
| | SIGNALING BY SCF KIT | -1.96 | 0.026 |
| | IRON UPTAKE AND TRANSPORT | -1.91 | 0.044 |
| | ACTIVATED TLR4 SIGNALLING | -1.89 | 0.046 |
| | TRAF6 MEDIATED INDUCTION OF NFKB AND MAP KINASES UPON TLR7 8 OR 9 ACTIVATION | -1.89 | 0.044 |



Supplementary Figure S1. Schematic representation of gene coding for subunits of mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation complexes that resulted under-represented in the blood samples from the Elderly group.