

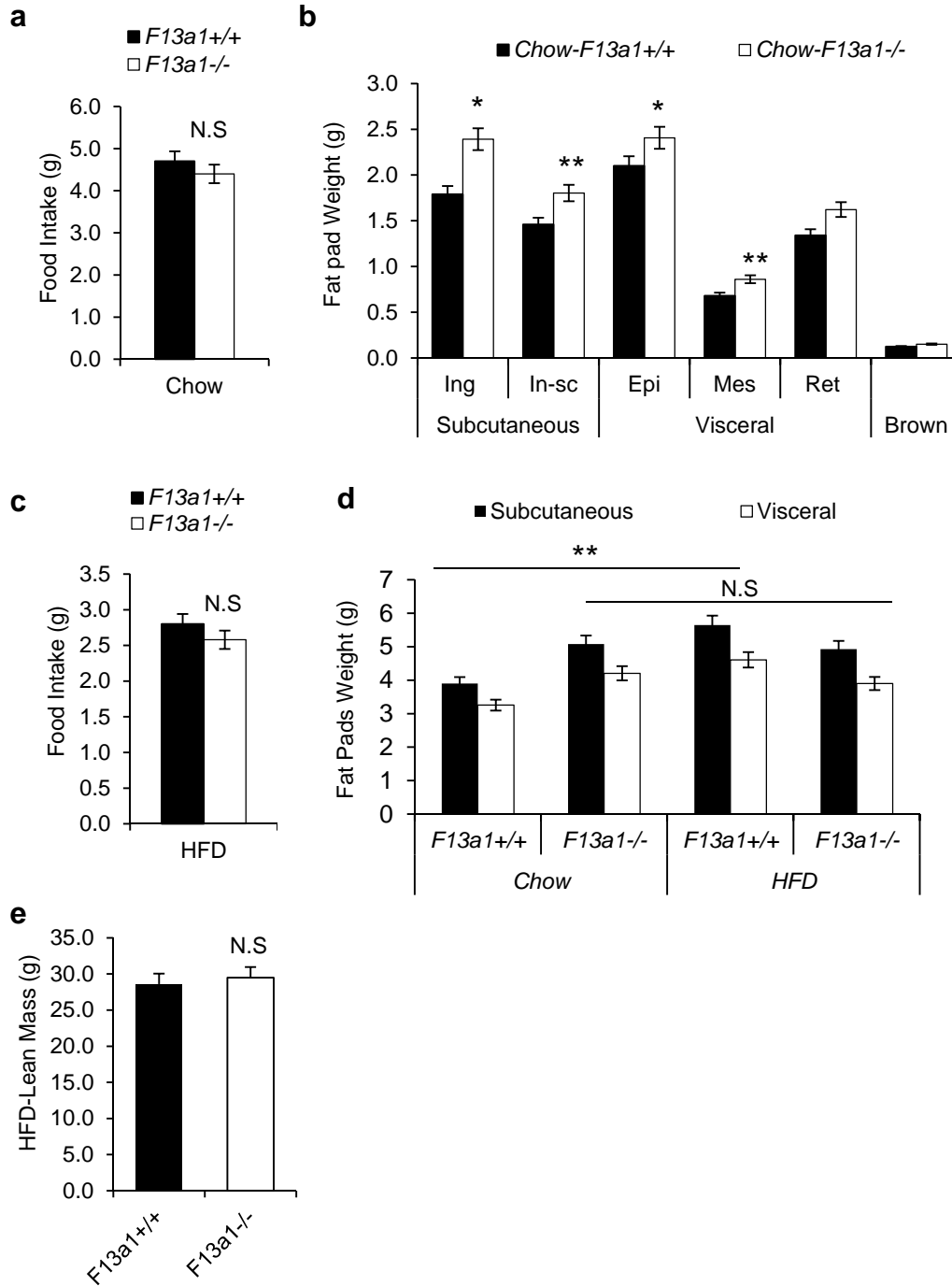
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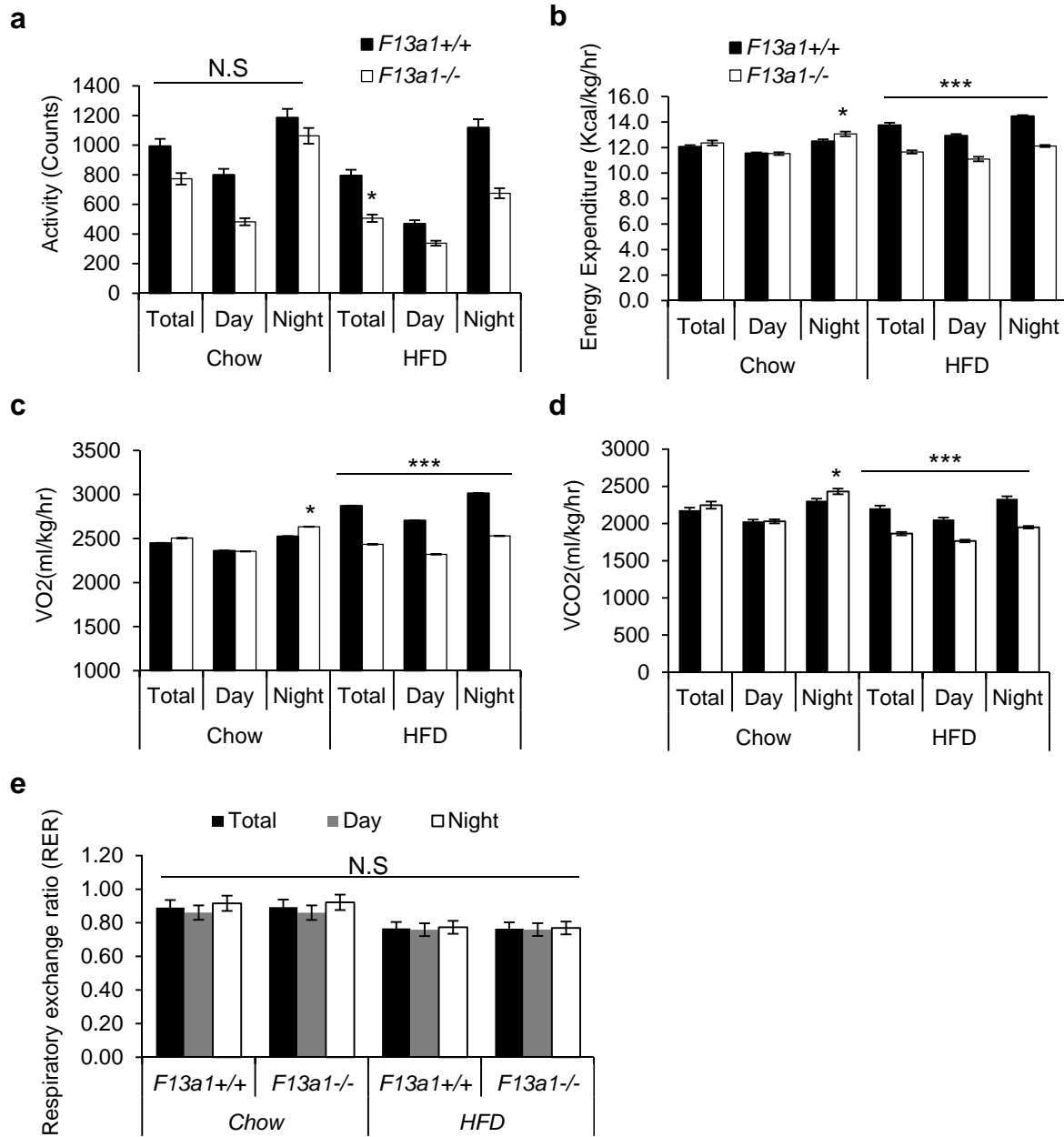
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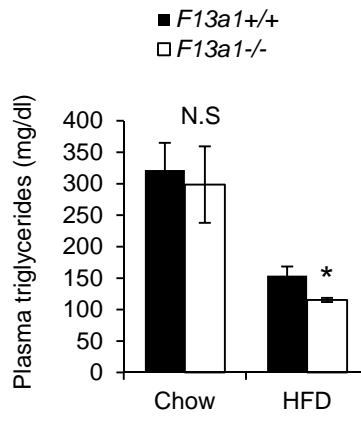
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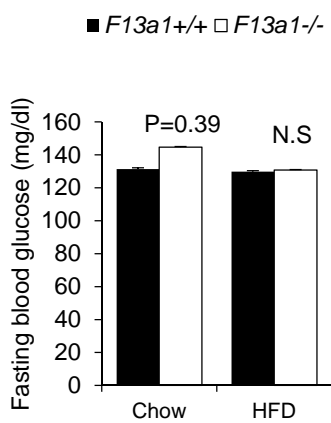
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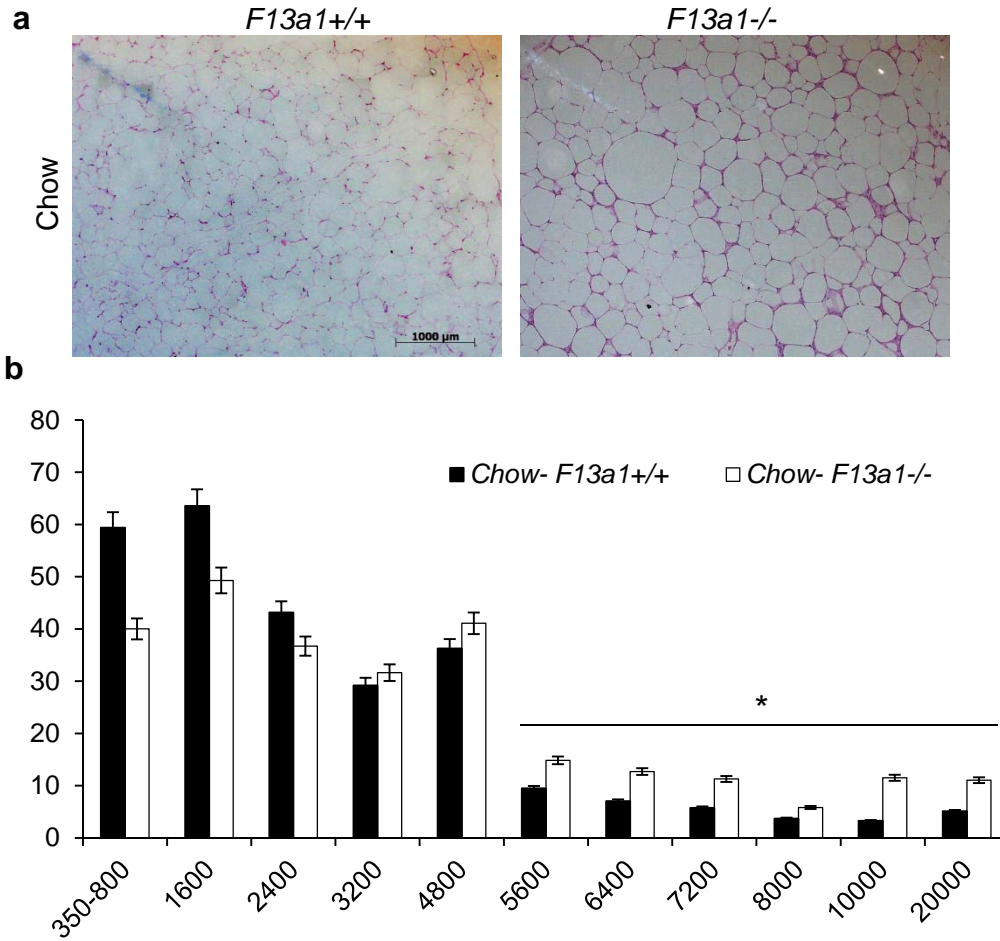
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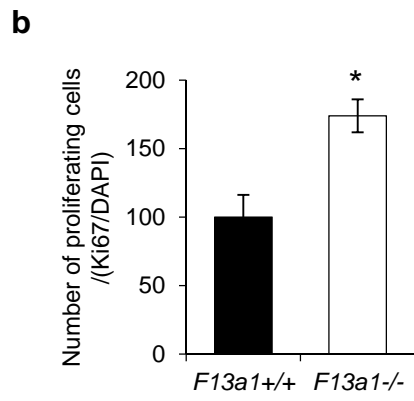
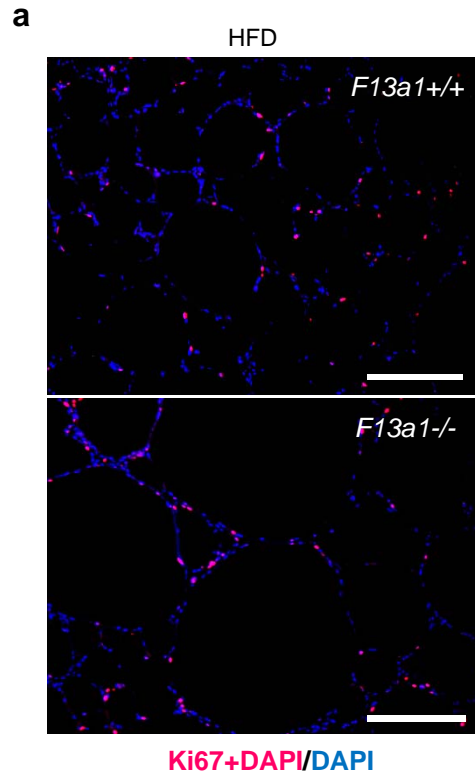
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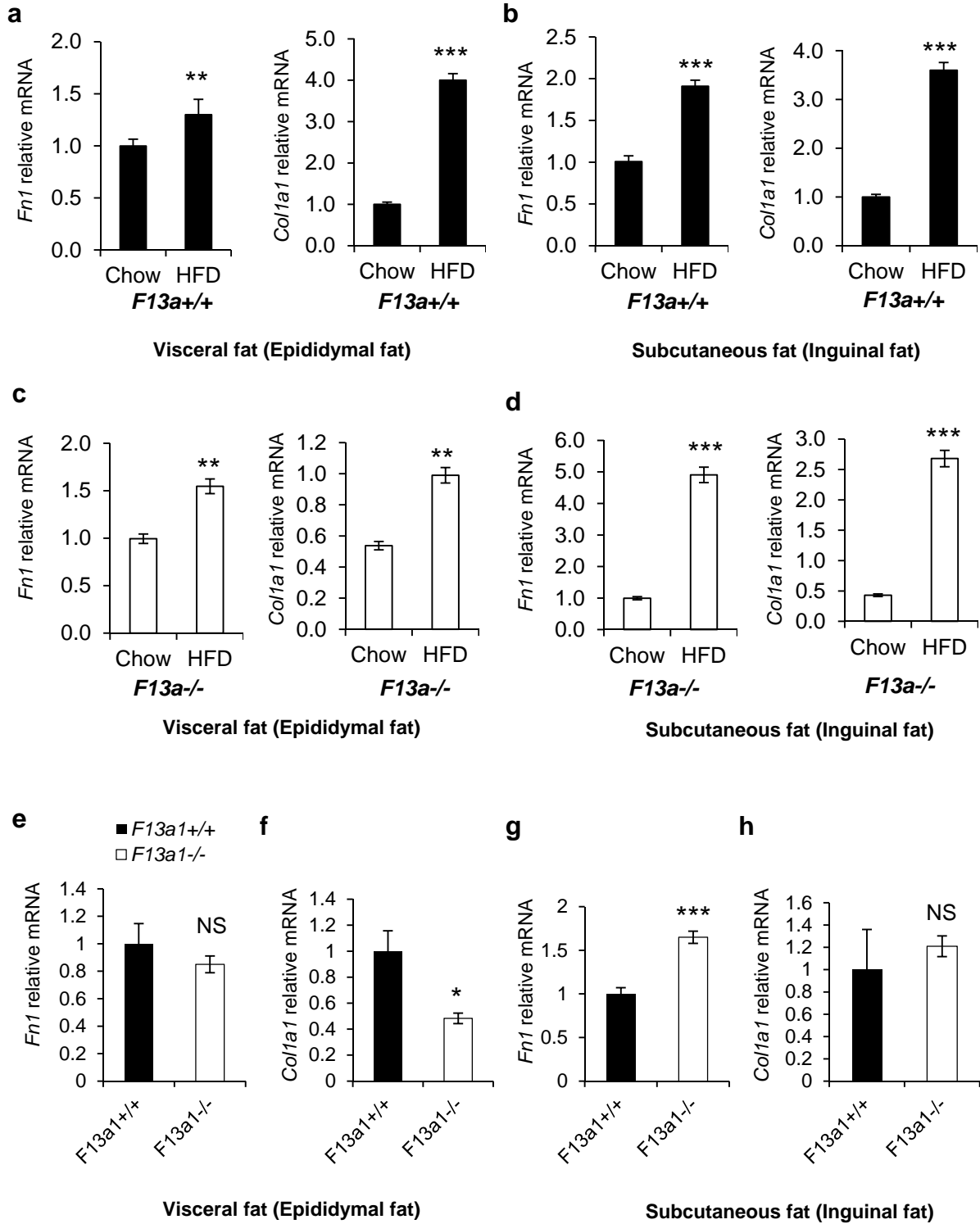
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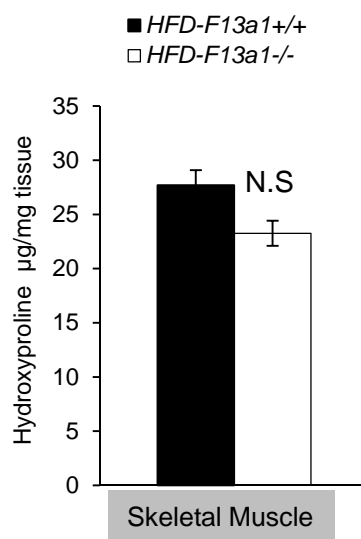
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Supplementary figure legends

Figure S1. Increased fat pad weight in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice fed on chow diet. (a) Food intake of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on chow diet (n=4 mice/group). **(b)** Individual fat pad's weight of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice fed chow diet. Subcutaneous fat: inguinal (Ing) and inter-scapular (In-sc); Visceral: epididymal (Epi), mesenteric (Mes) and Retroperitoneal (Ret) fat pads; and brown fat (n=10-16 mice/group). **(c)** Food intake of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on HFD (n=4 mice/group). **(d)** Subcutaneous and visceral fat pad weight from *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on chow and HFD; *F13a1*^{-/-} mice do not show redistribution of fat mass on both chow and HFD (data is collected from Figures S1b and 1d). **(e)** HFD Lean Mass measured by EchoMRI (n=4 mice/group). No changes are observed. All error bars represent SEM; *p<0.05; **p<0.01; N.S-Not Significant.

Figure S2. Reduced activity and energy expenditure of *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. Metabolic cage measurements were taken during the day (light) and night (dark) cycles over the course of four days. **(a)** Total activity (ambulatory and rearing) was reduced in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(b)** Energy expenditure was reduced in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(c)** Oxygen consumption (VO₂) was significantly lower in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(d)** Carbon dioxide production (VCO₂) was significantly lower in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(e)** Gas exchange data used to calculate the respiratory exchange ratio (RER=VO₂/VCO₂). All error bars represent SEM. (n=4 mice/group) *p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001, N.S-Not Significant.

Figure S3. Plasma triglyceride levels on chow and HFD. Plasma triglyceride levels of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on HFD are significantly lower in *F13a1*^{-/-} compared to control mice. All error bars represent SEM; (n=4 mice/group); *p<0.05, , N.S-Not Significant.

Figure S4. Fasting blood glucose levels are not affected. Blood glucose levels are measured after 6 h fast (7:00 am-1:00 pm). No significant differences are seen between *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on chow or HFD. All error bars represent SEM. (n=8 mice/group) N.S-Not Significant.

Figure S5. Larger adipocytes in WAT of *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on chow. (a) Hematoxylin and Eosin (H&E) stained sections of epididymal fat pad. Scale bar equals 1000 μ m (b) Frequency distribution of adipocytes in mice on chow diet; the frequency of larger adipocytes was increased in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice. Error bars represent SEM. (n=4 mice/group) *p<0.05.

Figure S6. Increased cell proliferation in WAT of *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. (a) Immunofluorescence staining of the epididymal fat pad of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on HFD for Ki67 (red) and nuclei/DAPI (blue). Proliferating cells shown in pink nuclei (merge of Ki67 and DAPI). Scale bar equals 200 μ m. (b) Graph represents quantification of proliferating cells, number of Ki67 positive cells (nuclei) normalized to the total number of DAPI. Error bars represent SEM. (n=4 mice/group) *p<0.05.

Figure S7. mRNA expression of *Fn1* and *Col1a1* in epididymal and inguinal fat pads on HFD. (a) *Fn1* and *Col1a1* mRNA levels in epididymal fat pad on chow and HFD of *F13a1*^{+/+} mice. (b) *Fn1* and *Col1a1* mRNA levels in inguinal fat pad on chow and HFD of *F13a1*^{+/+} mice. (c) *Fn1* and *Col1a1* mRNA levels in epididymal fat pad on chow and HFD of *F13a1*^{-/-} mice. (d) *Fn1* and *Col1a1* mRNA levels in inguinal fat pad on chow and HFD of *F13a1*^{-/-} mice. (e) *Fn1*

mRNA levels in epididymal fat pad of *F13a1*^{+/+} and *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(f)** *Col1a1* mRNA levels in epididymal fat pad of *F13a1*^{+/+} and *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(g)** *Fn1* mRNA levels in inguinal fat pad of *F13a1*^{+/+} and *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. **(h)** *Col1a1* mRNA levels in inguinal fat pad of *F13a1*^{+/+} and *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. All error bars represent SEM; (n=4 mice/group); *p<0.05.

Figure S8. The collagen content of skeletal muscle was not affected in *F13a1*^{-/-} mice on HFD. Hydroxyproline assay of total protein extracts from skeletal muscle of *F13a1*^{-/-} and *F13a1*^{+/+} mice on HFD. (n=4 mice/group). Error bars represent SEM; N.S-Not Significant.