Additional File 5. Comparison of IMQ responses between males and females. (A - G)IMQ response comparison between males and females for each strain (r =Spearman rank correlation; dashed lines: robust linear regression estimates; ellipses: 90% of genes closest to the bivariate mean based on Mahalanobis distance). (H) Overlap of Mahalanobis distance ellipses for each strain. (I) Number of genes with significant sex-by-treatment interaction effects (FDR < 0.10; right margin: example genes with most significant interactions). (J) Number of genes with significant sex-by-treatment interaction effects (without FDR correction, P < 0.05). (K) Overlap of genes with sex-by-treatment interaction effects in FVB and MOLF strains (FDR < 0.10; top: IMQ-increased (males) and IMQ-decreased (females); bottom: IMQ-decreased (males) and IMQ-increased (females)). (L, M) Genes with the most consistent sex-by-treatment interaction patterns across strains (right margin: number of strains with shared pattern, without FDR correction, P < 0.05). (N – P) RT-PCR analysis of (N) Cyp2g1, (O) Fosb and (P) Aldh112 expression (n = 5 per strain/sex/treatment group; n = 40 mice total). Groups without the same letter differ significantly (P < 0.05, Tukey honest significant difference; Error bars: standard error of the mean; p-values: sex-by-treatment interaction effects). Rn18s was used as an endogenous control to estimate relative gene expression.

