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Supplemental Information

A Five-Repeat Micro-Dystrophin Gene

Ameliorated Dystrophic Phenotype in the Severe

DBA/2J-mdx Model of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

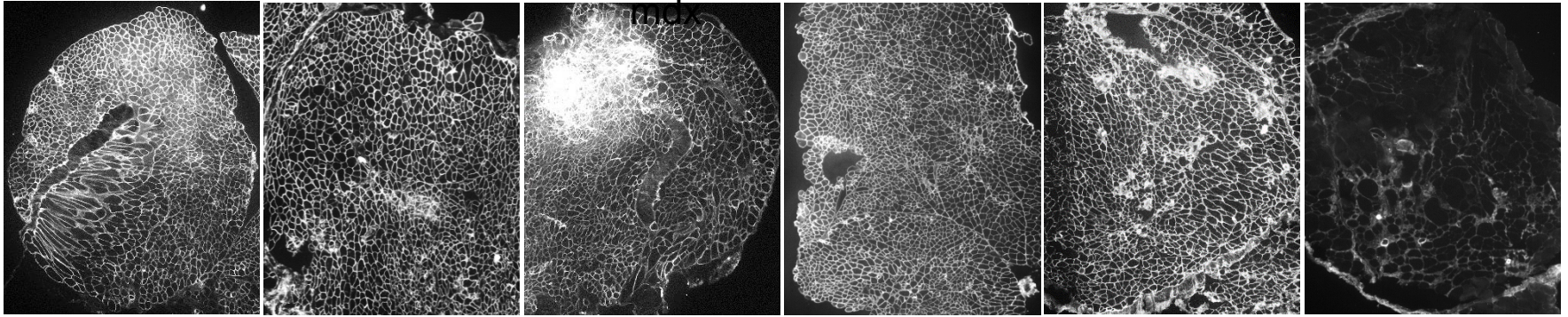
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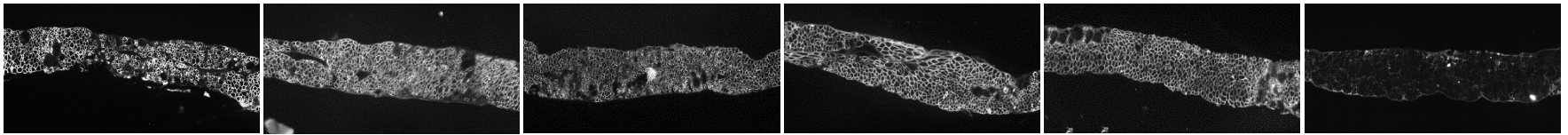
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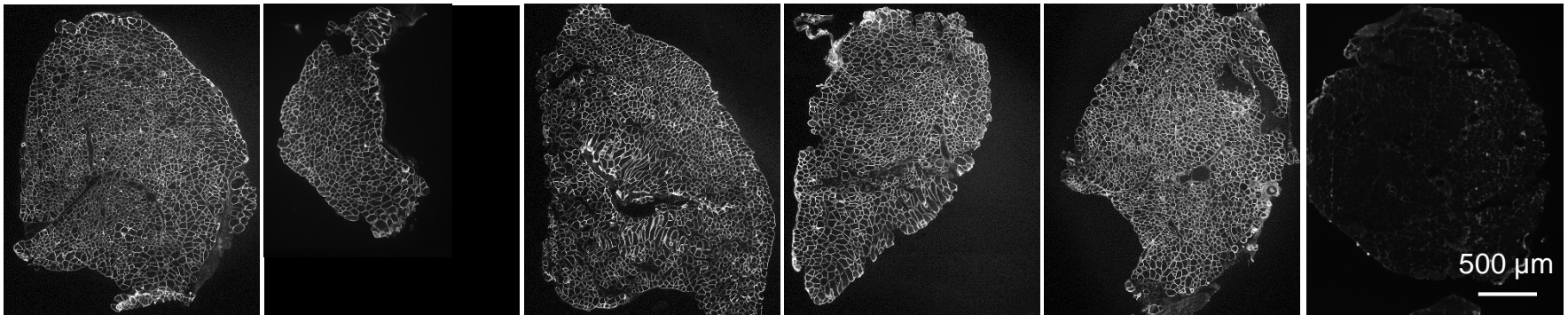
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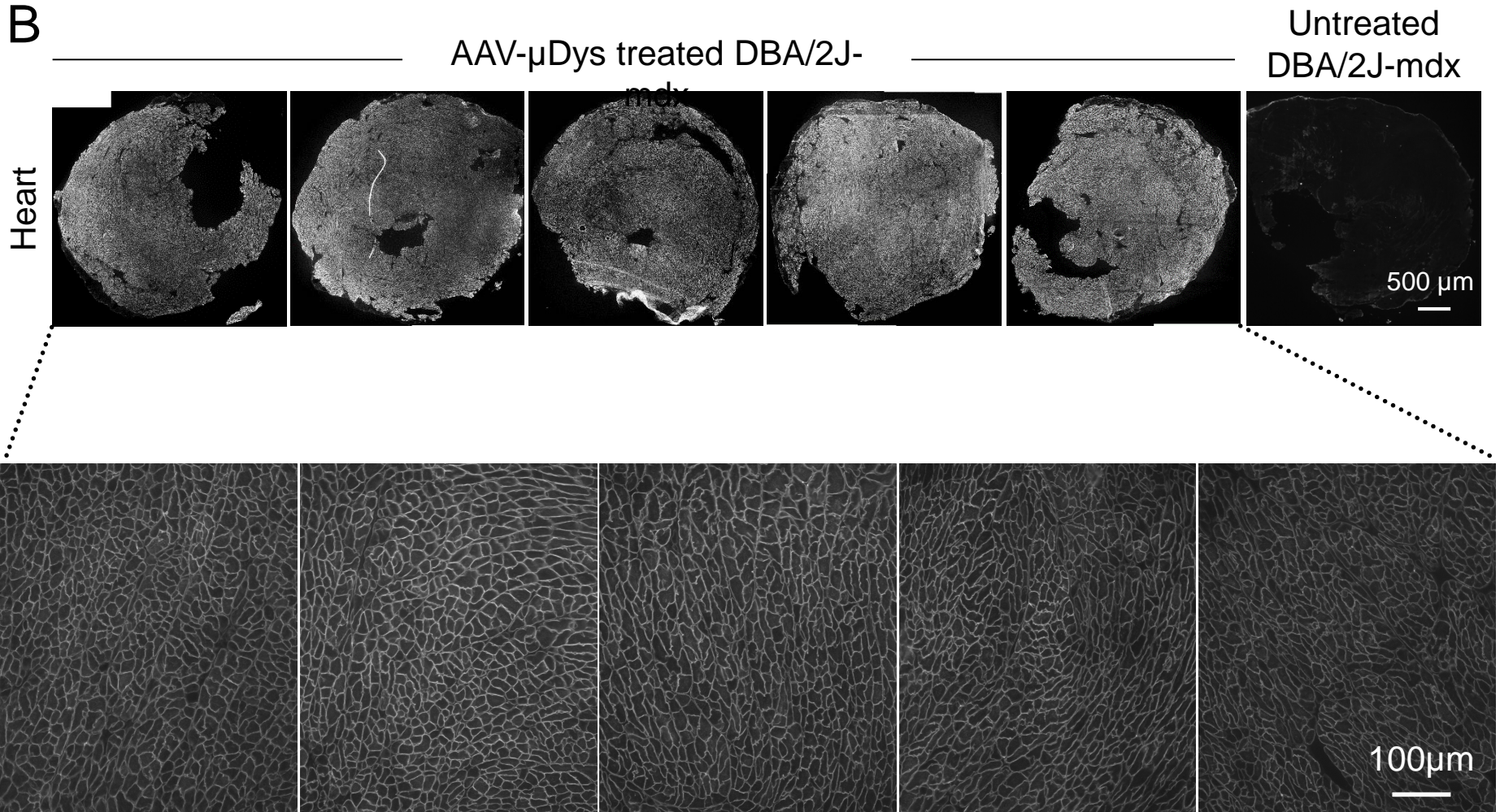
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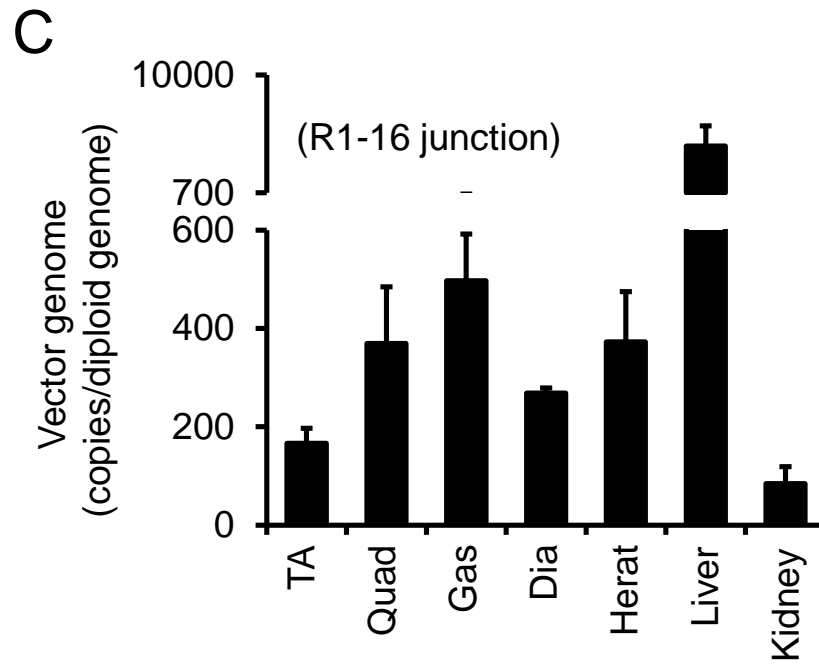


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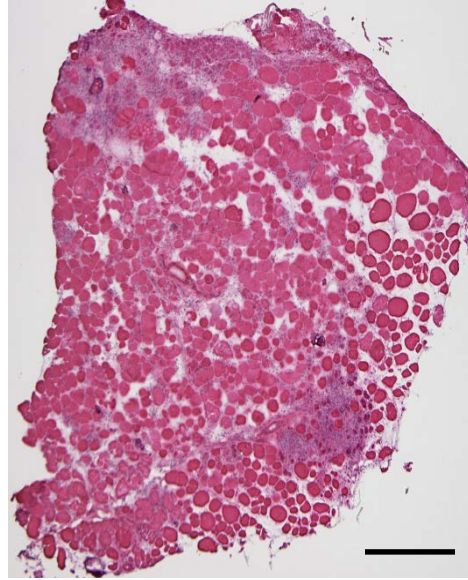
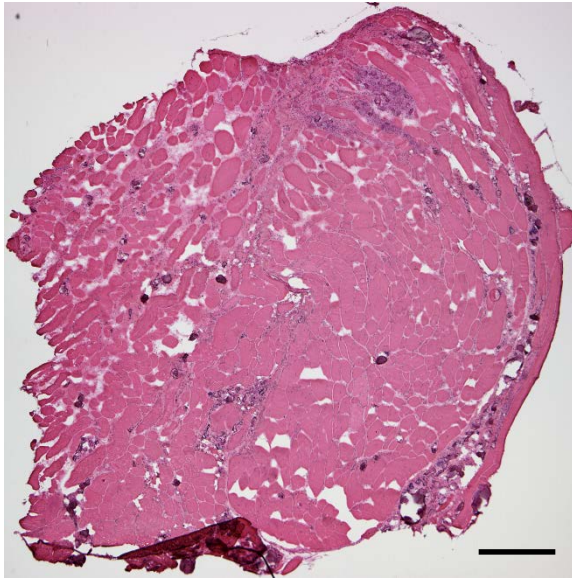
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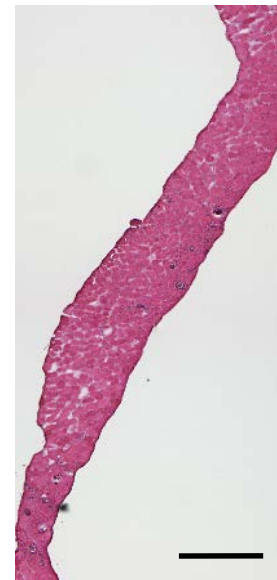
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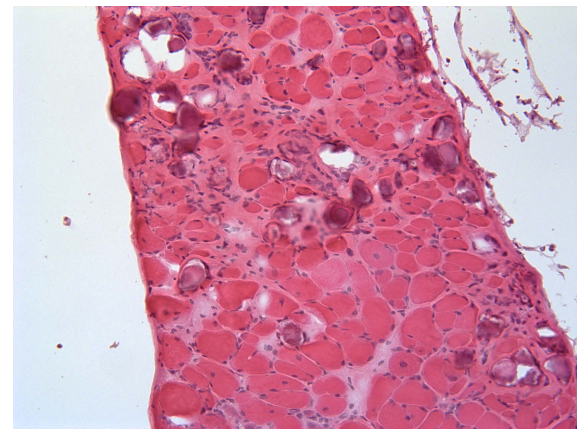
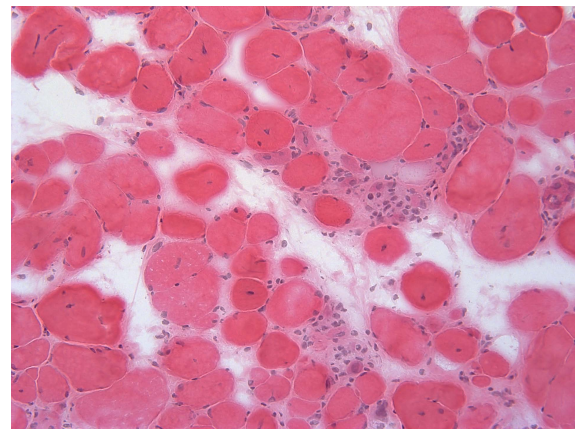
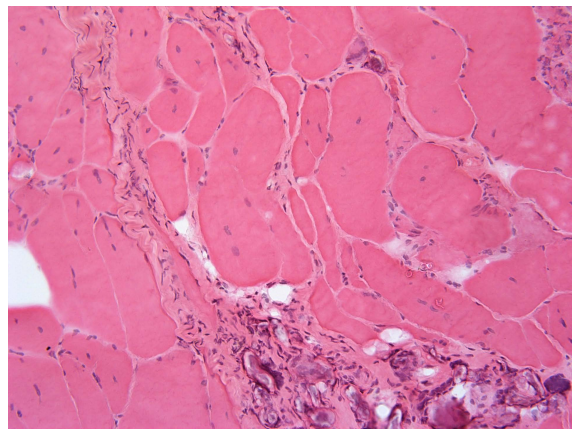
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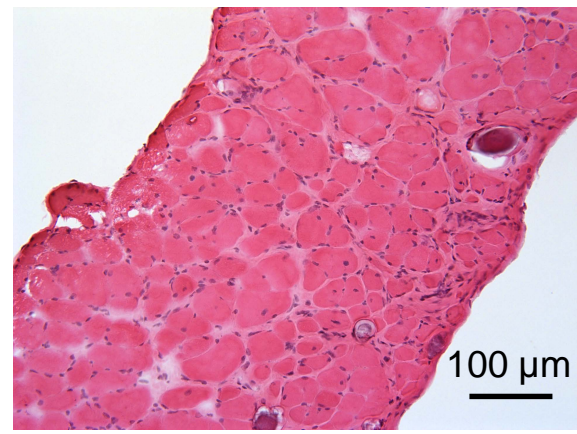
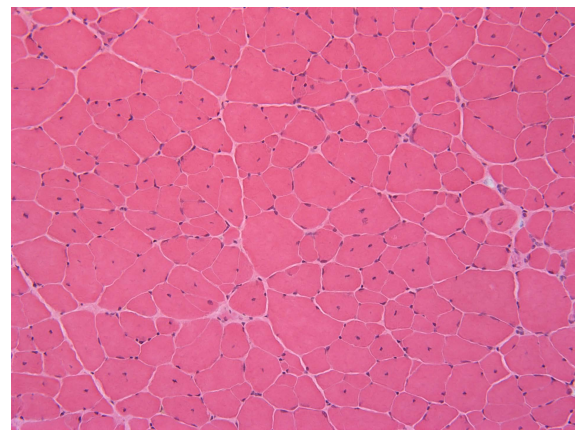
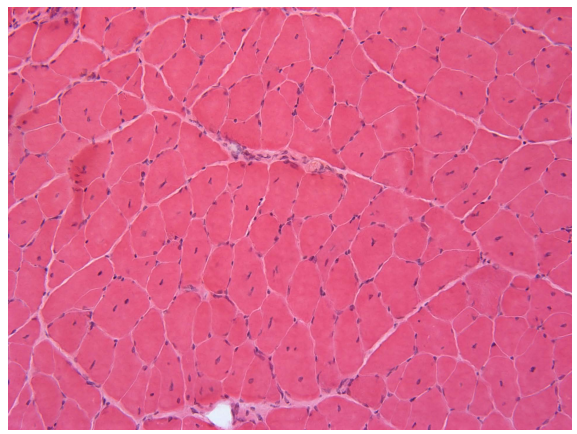
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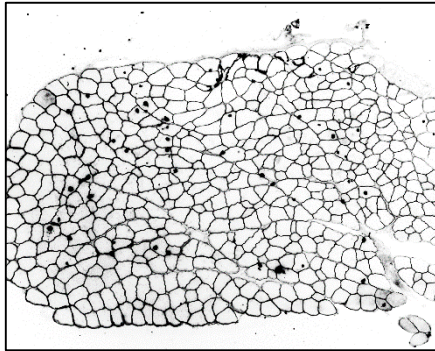
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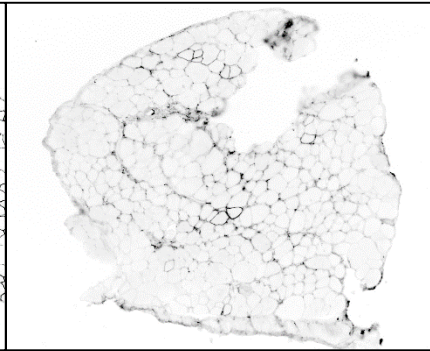
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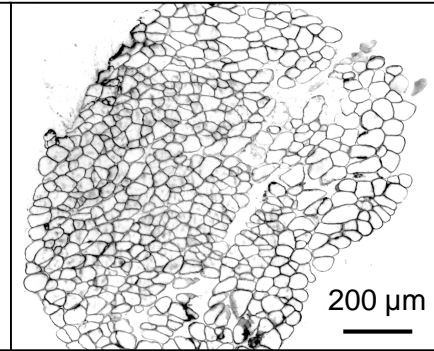
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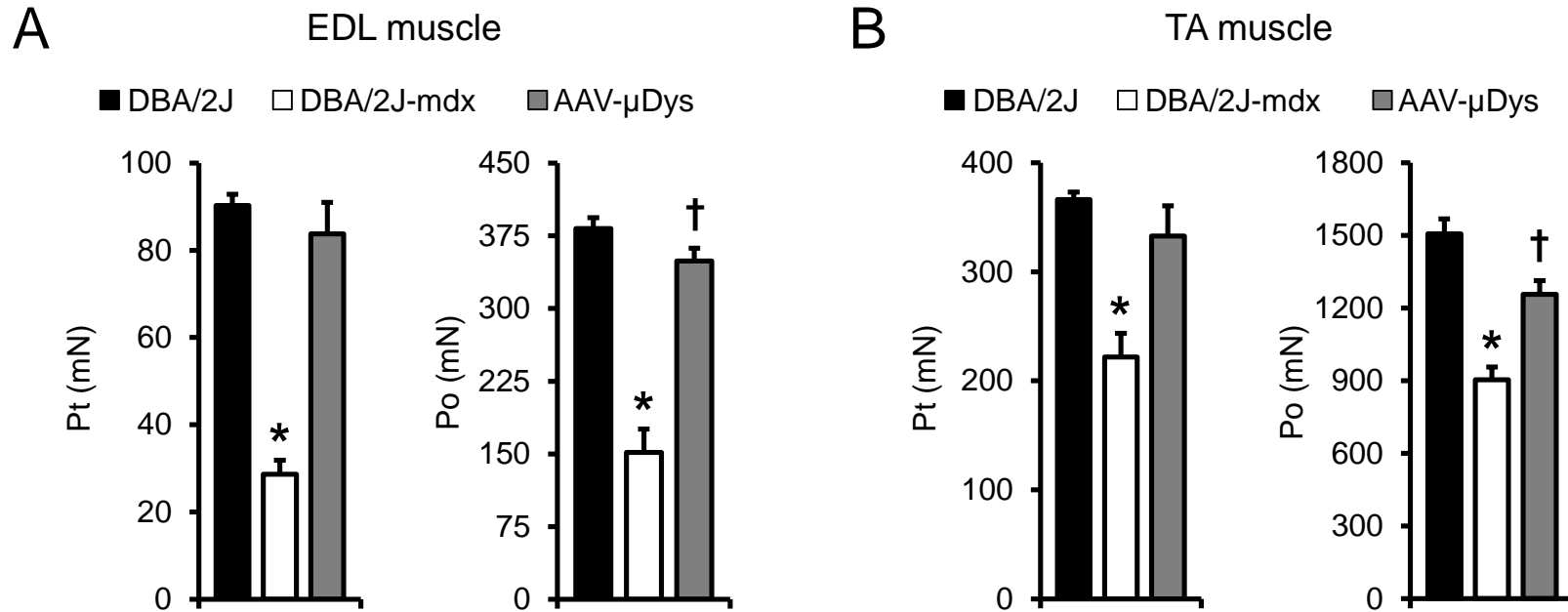


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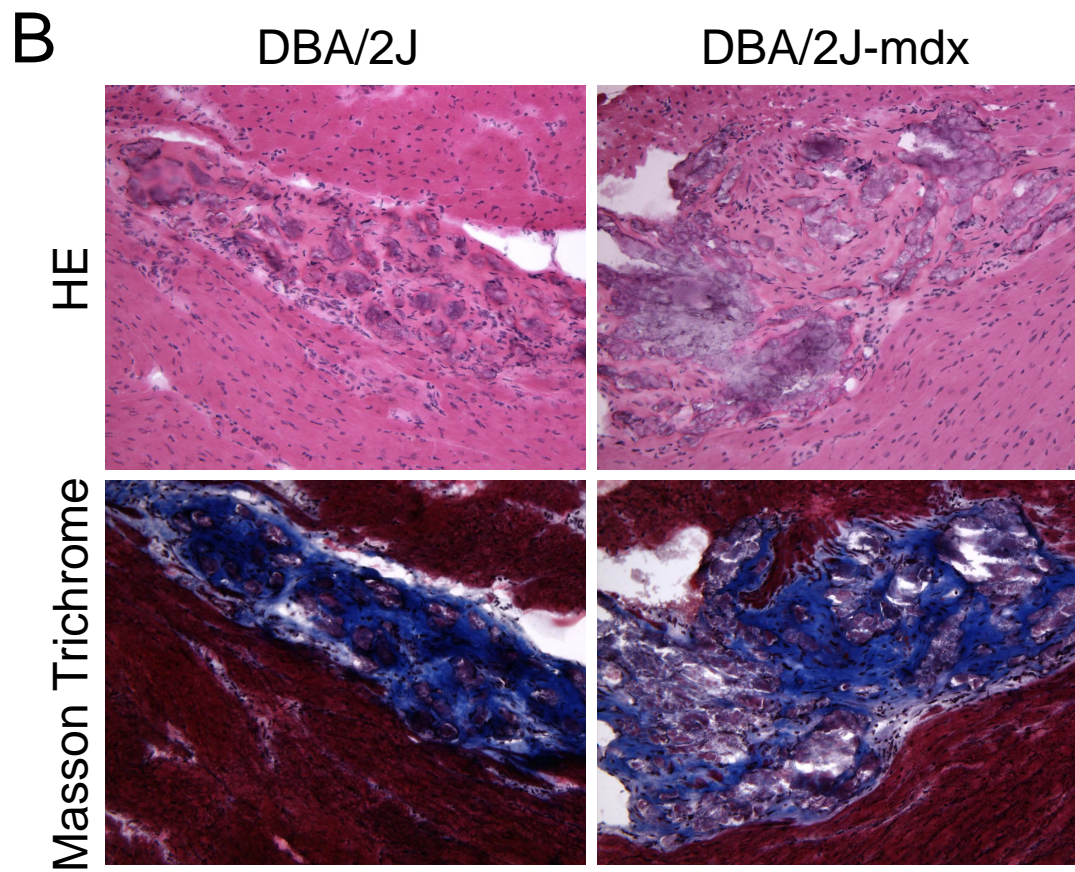
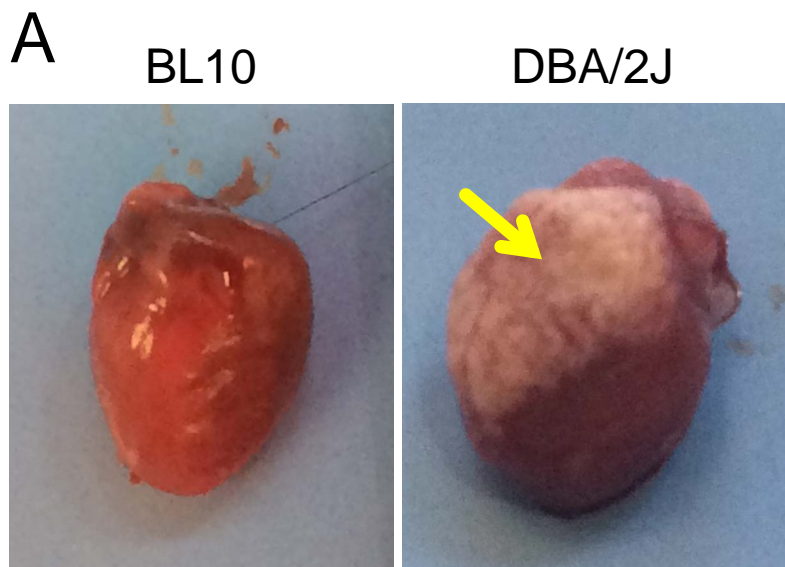


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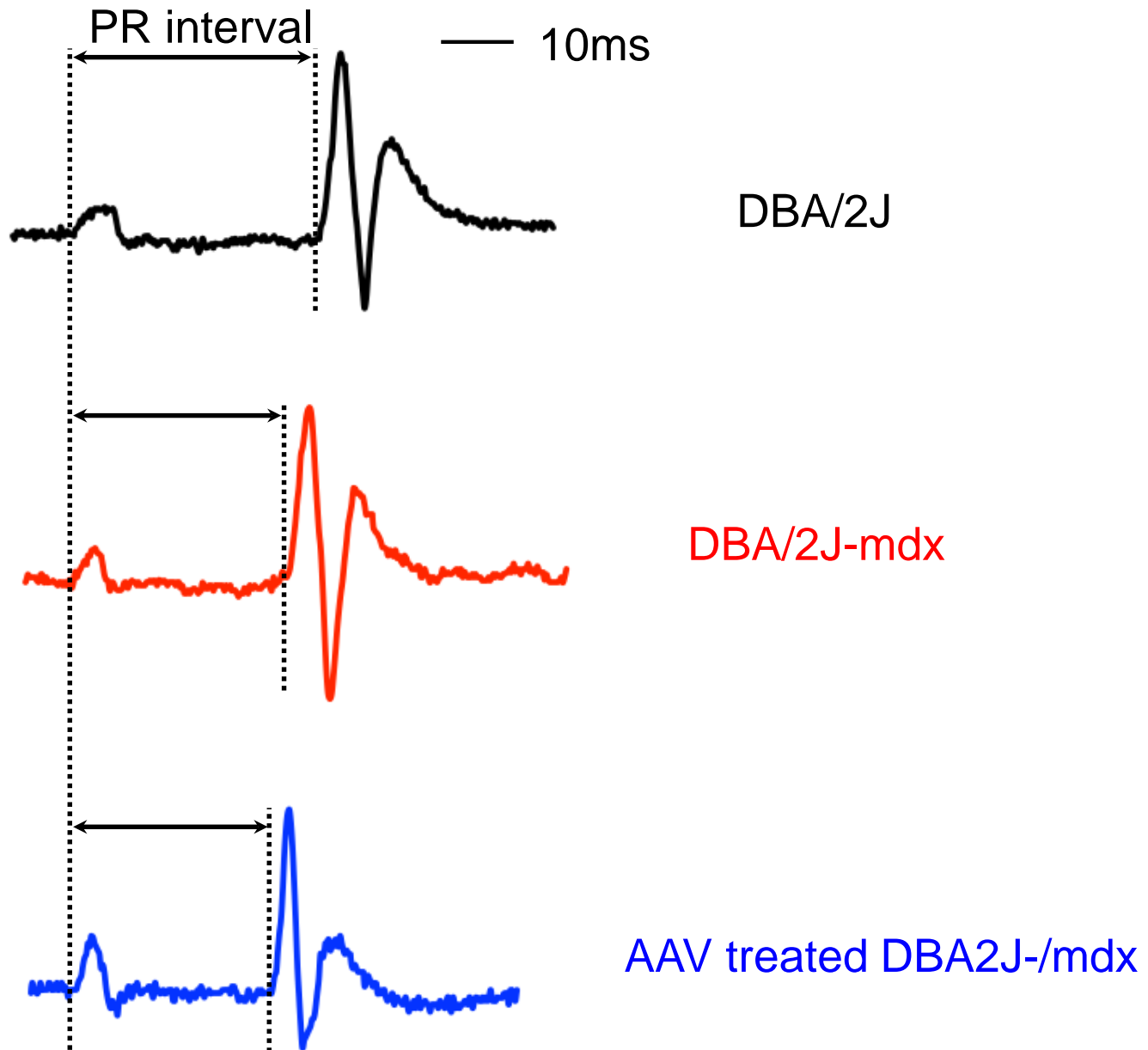


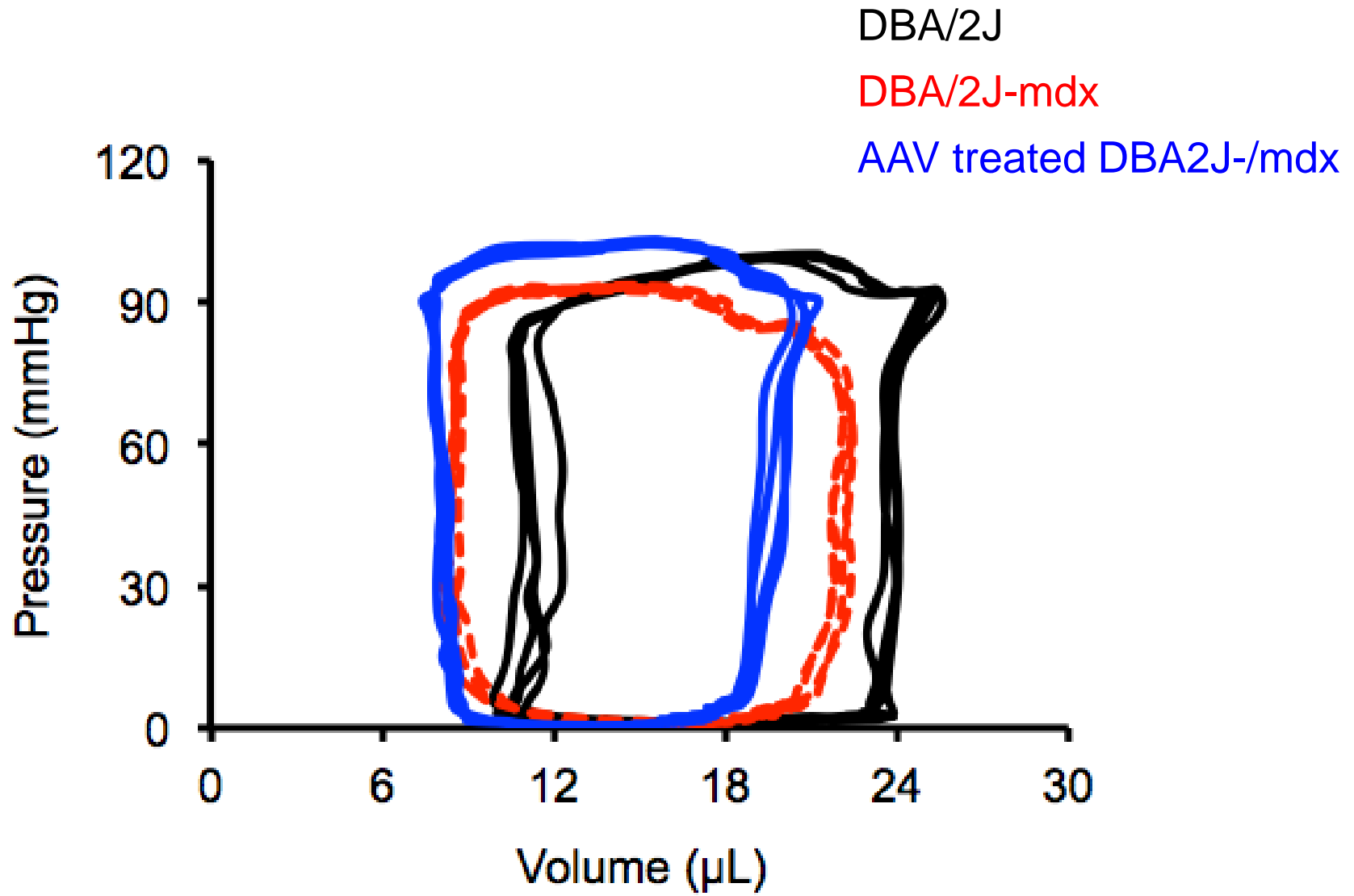


*, DBA/mdx is significant different from DBA and AAV treated
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Supplemental Figure Legends

Figure S1. Widespread micro-dystrophin expression in skeletal muscle and the heart of AAV-9 treated DBA/2J-mdx mice. **A**, Representative photomicrographs of dystrophin immunostaining of the tibialis anterior muscle (TA), quadriceps and diaphragm from five AAV injected mice and an untreated DBA/2J-mdx mouse. **B**, Representative photomicrographs of dystrophin immunostaining of the heart (Top panel, full-view images; Bottom panel, high-power images) from five AAV injected mice and an untreated DBA/2J-mdx mouse. **C**, Quantitative evaluation of AAV genome distribution in muscle and internal organs using in AAV microgene injected male DBA/2J-mdx mice (N=5). TaqMan quantitative PCR detects the junction of R1-R16. Dia, diaphragm; Gas, gastrocnemius; Quad, quadriceps; TA, tibialis anterior.

Figure S2. Micro-dystrophin expression reduces skeletal muscle disease in DBA/2J-mdx mice. **A**, Representative full-view photomicrographs of the HE stained quadriceps, tibialis anterior muscle (TA) and diaphragm from untreated and AAV injected DBA/2J-mdx mice. Scale bar, 500 μ m. **B**, Representative high-magnification photomicrographs of the HE stained quadriceps, TA and diaphragm from untreated and AAV injected DBA/2J-mdx mice.

Figure S3. Intravenous AAV-9 delivery results in saturated micro-dystrophin expression in the extensor digitorum longus muscle in DBA/2J-mdx mice. Representative full-view photomicrographs of dystrophin immunostaining from DBA/2J. DBA/2J-mdx and treated DBA/2J-mdx mice.

Figure S4. AAV micro-dystrophin therapy improves absolute muscle force of DBA/2J-mdx mice. **A**, Quantitative evaluation of the absolute twitch force and absolute maximal tetanic force in the extensor digitorum longus muscle (EDL). **B**, Quantitative evaluation of the absolute twitch force and absolute maximal tetanic force in the tibialis anterior (TA) muscle. Asterisk, untreated DBA/2J-mdx mice is significant different from that of DBA/2J and AAV treated DBA/2J-mdx mice. Cross, DBA/2J is significant different from that of AAV treated DBA/2J-mdx mice.

Figure S5. DBA/2J mice show spontaneous muscle pathology. **A**, Representative photomicrographs of freshly dissected BL10 and DBA/2J mouse hearts. Arrow indicates epicardial calcification and/or fibrosis on the surface of the right ventricle in the DBA/2J mouse. **B**, Representative high-magnification photomicrographs of HE and Masson trichrome-stained heart sections from DBA/2J and DBA/2J-mdx mice.

Figure S6. Representative ECG and the pressure-volume loop tracing from experimental mice. **A**, ECG reveals the shortened PR interval in a DBA/2J-mdx mouse. Micro-dystrophin therapy did not increase the PR interval. **B**, The pressure-volume loop shows a similar hemodynamic profile in DBA/2J and DBA/2J-mdx mice.