

Cited4 is a sex-biased mediator of the antidiabetic glitazone response in adipocyte progenitors

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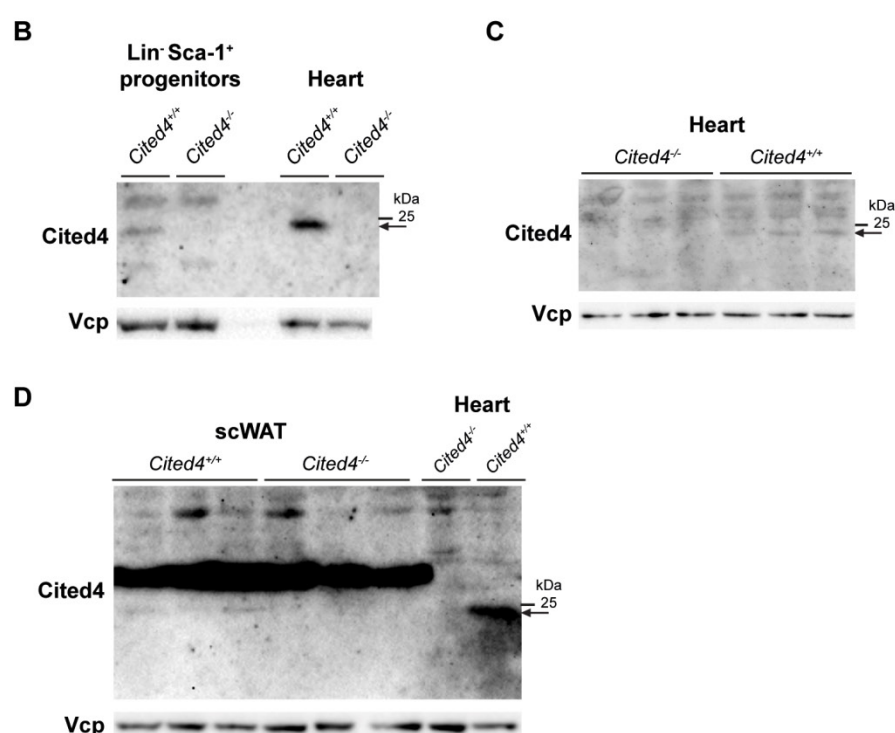
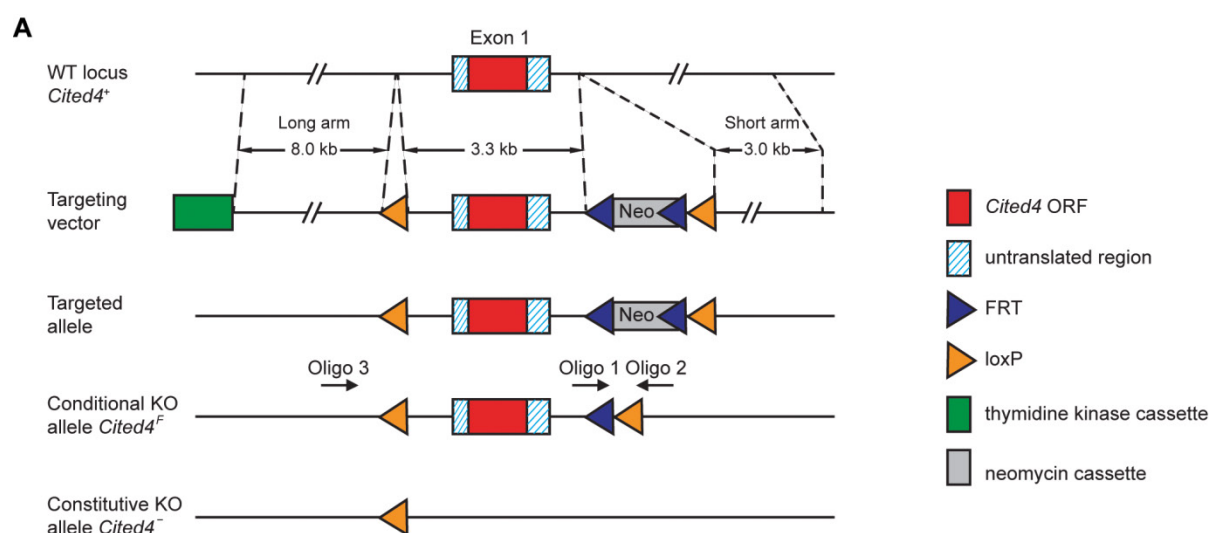
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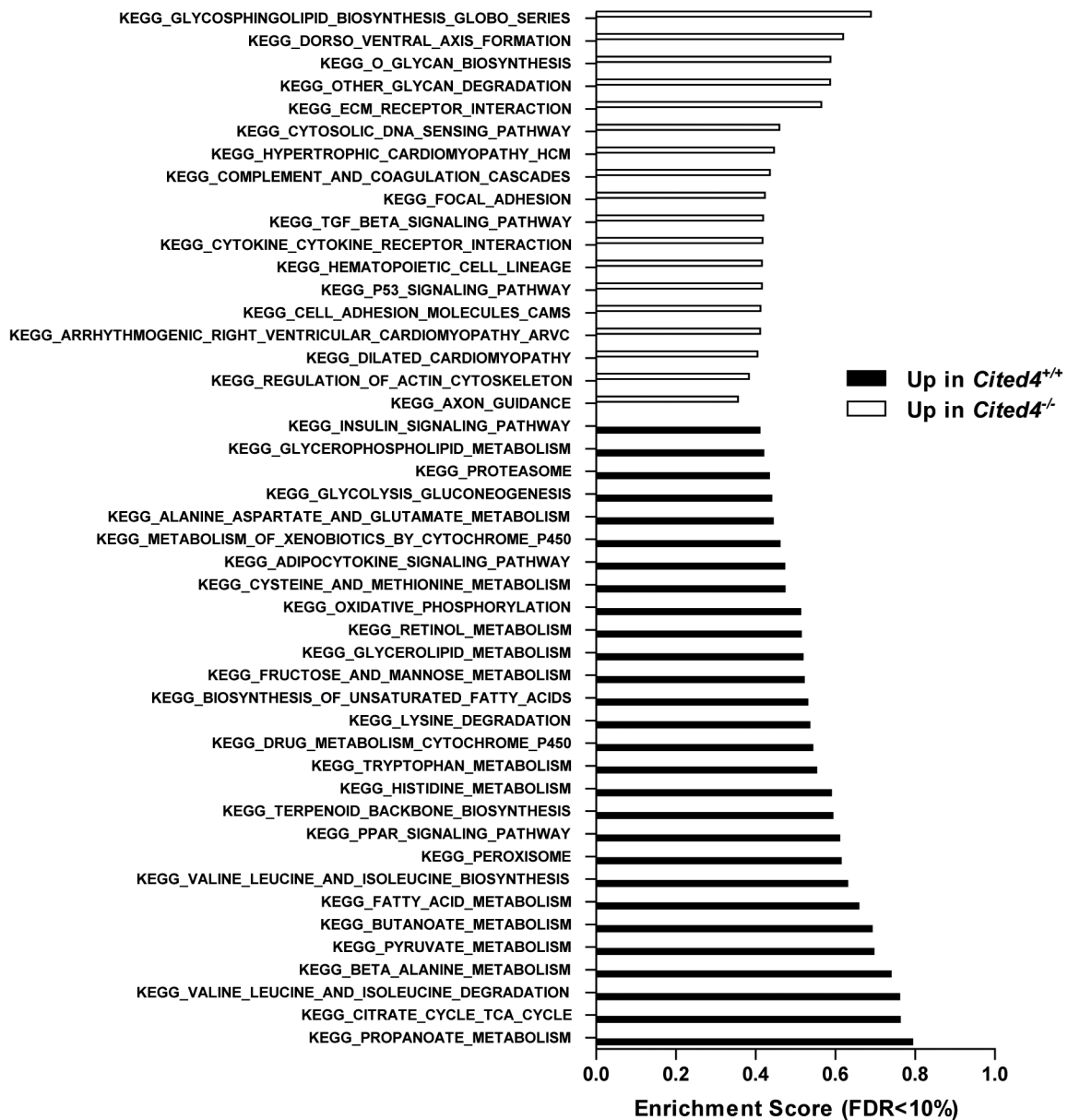


Appendix Figure S1. Targeting strategy and validation of *Cited4* gene inactivation in the mouse.

- A** Targeting strategy for the *Cited4* gene locus (note that *Cited4* is a single-exon gene). Targeting by homologous recombination was performed in ES cells. The *Cited4*^F allele was generated by breeding to an FLP recombinase expressing mouse. The *Cited4*⁻ allele was generated by breeding to a Cre recombinase expressing mouse. Oligo 1-3 were used to genotype and distinguish between the *Cited4*⁺, *Cited4*^F and *Cited4*⁻ alleles. Map is not to scale.
- B-D** *Cited4* expression in Lin⁻Sca1⁺ progenitors isolated from subcutaneous fat (scWAT), heart and scWAT tissue, as determined by Western blot with Vcp as loading control (lanes represent independent samples, representative of at least 3 biological replicates/mice). Arrow indicates the *Cited4* band as predicted at 18 kDa.

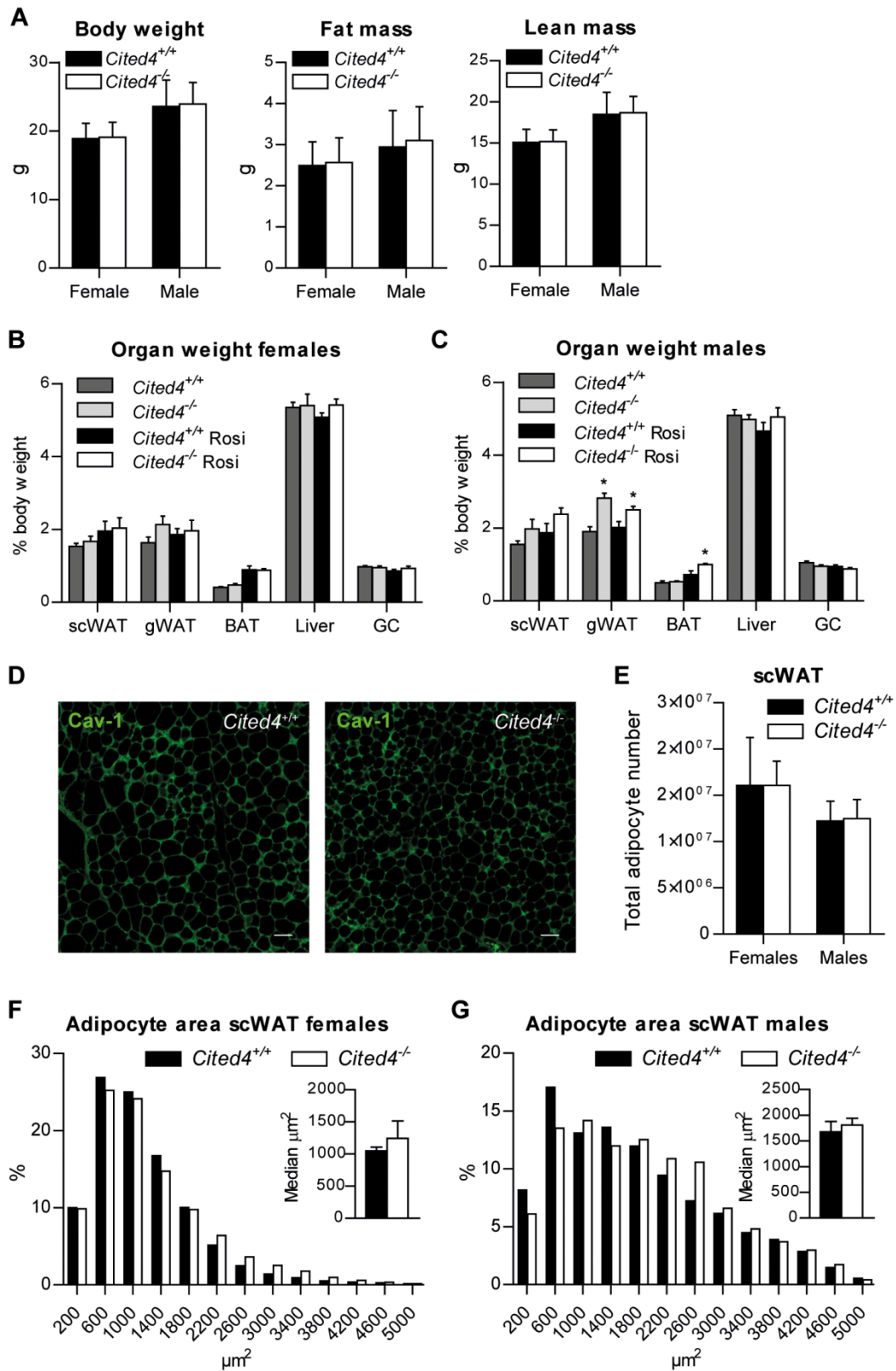
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***Cited4*^{+/+} vs. *Cited4*^{-/-}**



Appendix Figure S2. *Cited4*⁻ and Rosi/PPAR γ -dependent transcriptional programs overlap in differentiating adipocyte progenitors.

Enrichment scores of gene sets with FDR<0.1 in GSEA performed with the KEGG gene set collection (*Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}) on expression profiles from female Lin⁻Sca1⁺ progenitors 2 days after induction of differentiation with 100 nM Rosi (n=3).

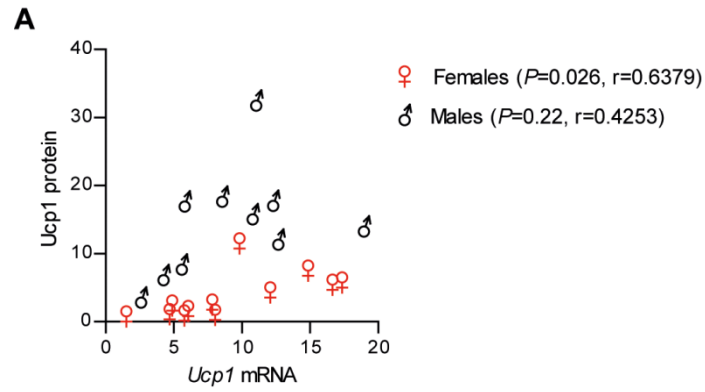


Appendix Figure S3. *Cited4* deficiency does not affect fat accumulation and adipocyte number upon rosiglitazone treatment.

A Body composition of mice at 8±2 weeks of age without treatment, determined by NMR quantitation (n=51/48/47/49, *t*-test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}).

- B, C Organ weights relative to body weight of mice fed a diet with 0.0075% Rosi or control diet for 2.5 weeks. *t*-test *Cited4^{-/-}* vs. *Cited4^{+/+}* (Rosi), (B) n=5/5/6/6, (C) n=5/4/5/5, **P*=0.037. GC=Gastrocnemius muscle.
- D Caveolin-1 (Cav-1) staining (fluorescence microscopy) for the detection of cell borders in scWAT sections from female mice fed a diet with 0.0075% Rosi or control diet for 2.5 weeks (n=3). Representative images; scale bar is 50 μ m.
- E Total number of scWAT adipocytes per mouse, calculated based on cell volume quantification on the Cav-1 staining, as in (D) (n=3). *t*-test *Cited4^{-/-}* vs. *Cited4^{+/+}*.
- F, G Distribution of adipocyte area quantified based on the Cav-1 staining, as in (D) (n=3). Inlet: Average of the distribution medians (n=3), *t*-test *Cited4^{-/-}* vs. *Cited4^{+/+}*.

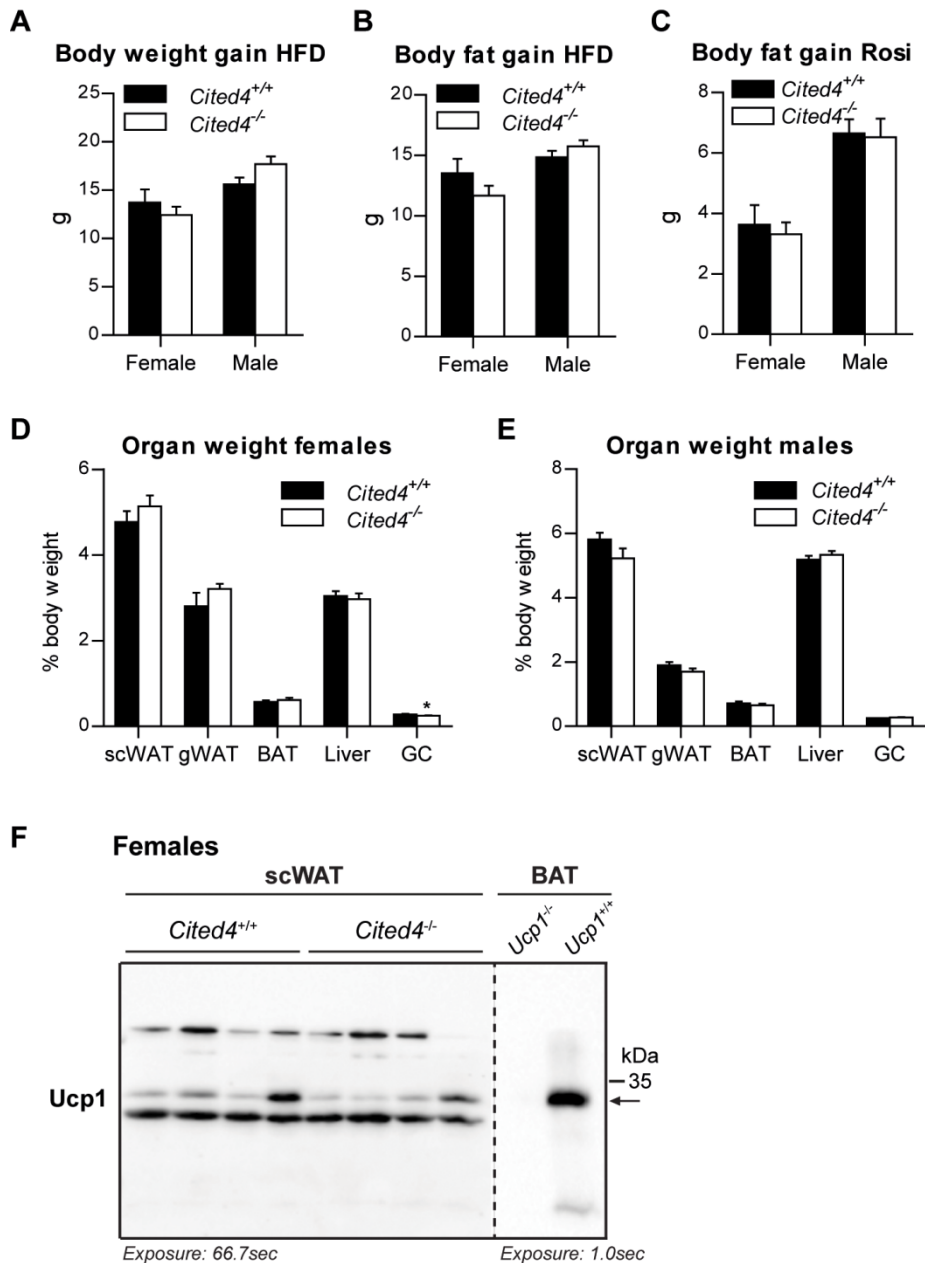
Data information: Data are presented as mean \pm SEM unless otherwise indicated and with the exception of (A) showing mean \pm SD.



Appendix Figure S4. Ucp1 mRNA and protein correlation in female and male mice.

A *Ucp1* mRNA and protein expression in scWAT of mice fed a diet with 0.0075% Rosi or control diet for 2.5 weeks, determined by qRT-PCR and Western blot, respectively. $n=12$ (females) and $n=10$ (males). P -value and correlation coefficient (r) are shown from Pearson correlation analysis.

Data information: Data are presented as individual mice.



Appendix Figure S5. Sex-specific involvement of *Cited4* in thermogenic expression and insulin sensitization upon therapeutic rosiglitazone treatment.

- A, B Body weight and fat mass gain of mice during 8-9 weeks of HFD (n=16/17/16/16, *t*-test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}).
- C Body fat mass gain of mice during 4 weeks of HFD+Rosi treatment, following 16 weeks of HFD (n=16/17/16/16, *t*-test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}).
- D, E Organ weights relative to body weight of mice fed HFD for 16 weeks followed by 5 weeks of HFD+Rosi. *t*-test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}, (D) n=8/9, **P*=0.027, (E) n=8/9.
- F Ucp1 protein expression in scWAT of mice fed a high-fat diet (HFD) for 11 weeks followed by 5 weeks of HFD with 0.0075% Rosi or in BAT of mice on control diet, determined by Western blot. scWAT and BAT samples were on the same blot but are shown at different exposures. Arrow indicates the band specific to Ucp1. *Ucp1*^{+/+} and *Ucp1*^{-/-} indicate mice homozygous for *Ucp1* wild type and null alleles, respectively..
- Data information: Data are presented as mean ±SEM.

Appendix Table S1. Top 15 most significantly enriched gene sets in the gene fraction downregulated by *Cited4* knockout.

Gene set name	Size	Enrichment score ¹	Nominal p-value	FDR q-value
V\$SF1_Q6	231	-0.34	0.002	0.130
V\$PPARG_01	42	-0.47	0.004	0.195
ACTAYRNNNCCCR_UNKNOWN	402	-0.30	0.002	0.276
TNCATNTCCYR_UNKNOWN	117	-0.34	0.006	0.287
YAATNANRNNNCAG_UNKNOWN	57	-0.39	0.006	0.363
TGCGCANK_UNKNOWN	499	-0.27	0.002	0.377
V\$ROAZ_01	10	-0.53	0.157	0.417
V\$YY1_Q6	208	-0.30	0.004	0.421
AACYNNNNTTCCS_UNKNOWN	83	-0.34	0.042	0.433
GKCGCNNNNNNTGAYG_UNKNOWN	50	-0.35	0.093	0.438
TGACCTTG_V\$SF1_Q6	225	-0.28	0.026	0.445
V\$PPAR_DR1_Q2	238	-0.28	0.014	0.453
V\$HNF4_DR1_Q3	237	-0.29	0.018	0.455
GCCATNTTG_V\$YY1_Q6	375	-0.27	0.015	0.465
GGAANCGGAANY_UNKNOWN	98	-0.31	0.080	0.480

RNA expression profiling was performed with Affymetrix Gene arrays on *Cited4*^{-/-} and *Cited4*^{+/+} progenitor cells 2 days after differentiation induction with Rosi (n=3). Global expression profiles (*Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}) were subjected to Gene Set Enrichment Analysis (GSEA) with the TFT gene set collection. Gene sets were ranked by the False Discovery Rate (FDR) q-value reflecting significance.

¹ Maximum of the corresponding enrichment score curve.

Appendix Table S2. Cardiovascular phenotype data for *Cited4* knockout mice.

Parameter	Female			Male		
	<i>Cited4</i> ^{+/+}	<i>Cited4</i> ^{-/-}	<i>t</i> -test	<i>Cited4</i> ^{+/+}	<i>Cited4</i> ^{-/-}	<i>t</i> -test
	(n=5)	(n=10)	<i>P</i> -value	(n=9)	(n=7)	<i>P</i> -value
Systolic pressure (mmHg)	108.17 ± 6.99	113.99 ± 7.34	0.165	109.51 ± 6.08	111.92 ± 5.28	0.420
Diastolic pressure (mmHg)	96.49 ± 7.39	102.58 ± 7.78	0.170	97.25 ± 7.88	100.83 ± 5.52	0.325
Mean arterial pressure (mmHg)	100.05 ± 7.15	106.06 ± 7.53	0.163	101.00 ± 7.20	104.18 ± 5.23	0.344
Pulse (bpm)	642.11 ± 41.59	629.47 ± 32.96	0.531	611.72 ± 47.95	561.21 ± 32.61	0.032
Heart weight (mg)	120 ± 26	109 ± 9	0.215	129 ± 7	135 ± 17	0.324
Heart weight normalized to tibia length (mg/mm)	6.7 ± 1.5	6.0 ± 0.6	0.205	6.8 ± 0.3	7.3 ± 0.9	0.170
Heart weight normalized to body weight (mg/g)	5.4 ± 1.0	4.9 ± 0.5	0.216	4.3 ± 0.4	4.5 ± 0.4	0.353

Data represent mean ± standard deviation. n refers to the number of mice per group. *t*-test refers to *Cited4*^{-/-} versus *Cited4*^{+/+}. Blood pressure and pulse were measured by a tail cuff method on conscious mice and repeated measurements over 4 days were averaged.