

Expanded View Figures

Figure EV1. *Cited4* is a target of rosiglitazone in murine adipocyte progenitors promoting beige differentiation.

- A mRNA expression in C3H10T1/2 cells, differentiated in the presence of 1 μ M Rosi or vehicle for the indicated time, as determined by qRT-PCR (day 0, $n = 3$; day 4, $n = 4$; day 6, Ctrl, $n = 2$, Rosi, $n = 4$; day 10, $n = 4$). *** $P = 0.001$, ** $P = 0.007$ (Day 6), ** $P = 0.005$ (Day 10), in 2×2 ANOVA with Bonferroni's posttests (Rosi vs. vehicle).
- B mRNA expression in 3T3-L1 cells, differentiated in the presence of 1 μ M Rosi or vehicle for the indicated time, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$). 2×2 ANOVA with Bonferroni's posttests, $P > 0.05$ (Rosi vs. vehicle).
- C mRNA expression in female Lin⁻Sca1⁺ cells, differentiated in the presence of 0.1 or 1 μ M pioglitazone (Pio) or vehicle for 8 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 4$ for Day 2, $n = 4/2/6$ for Day 8). *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-10}$, ** $P = 0.003$, in 2×2 ANOVA with Bonferroni's posttests (Pio vs. vehicle).
- D mRNA expression in female Lin⁻Sca1⁺ cells, differentiated in the presence of the indicated substances for 8 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$). ** $P = 0.0035$, *** $P = 4 \times 10^{-10}$, *** $P = 7 \times 10^{-10}$ (*Ucp1*), * $P = 0.036$, *** $P = 0.0002$, *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-10}$, *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-10}$ (*Cpt1b*), *** $P = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ (*Cidea*), *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-6}$, *** $P = 4 \times 10^{-9}$, *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-8}$, (*Elavl3*), *** $P = 9 \times 10^{-8}$, *** $P = 2 \times 10^{-7}$ (*Cox7a1*), *** $P = 0.0002$, *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-8}$, *** $P = 4 \times 10^{-5}$, *** $P = 0.0002$ (*Cox8b*), * $P = 0.032$, ** $P = 0.006$, *** $P = 0.0007$ (*Dio2*), *** $P = 1 \times 10^{-6}$, *** $P = 2 \times 10^{-8}$ (*Cyc1*), *** $P = 8 \times 10^{-5}$, *** $P = 3 \times 10^{-6}$ (*Ndufb3*) in 2×2 ANOVA with Holm-Sidak posttests (*Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}).
- E mRNA expression in male Lin⁻Sca1⁺ progenitor cells, differentiated in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle for the indicated time, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$). **** $P = 1 \times 10^{-10}$ (Days 2 and 4), **** $P = 4 \times 10^{-8}$ (Day 8) in 2×2 ANOVA with Bonferroni's posttests (Rosi vs. vehicle).
- F mRNA expression in male Lin⁻Sca1⁺ cells, differentiated in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle for 8 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$, t -test).

Data information: Data are presented as mean \pm SEM except for (C) (individual data).

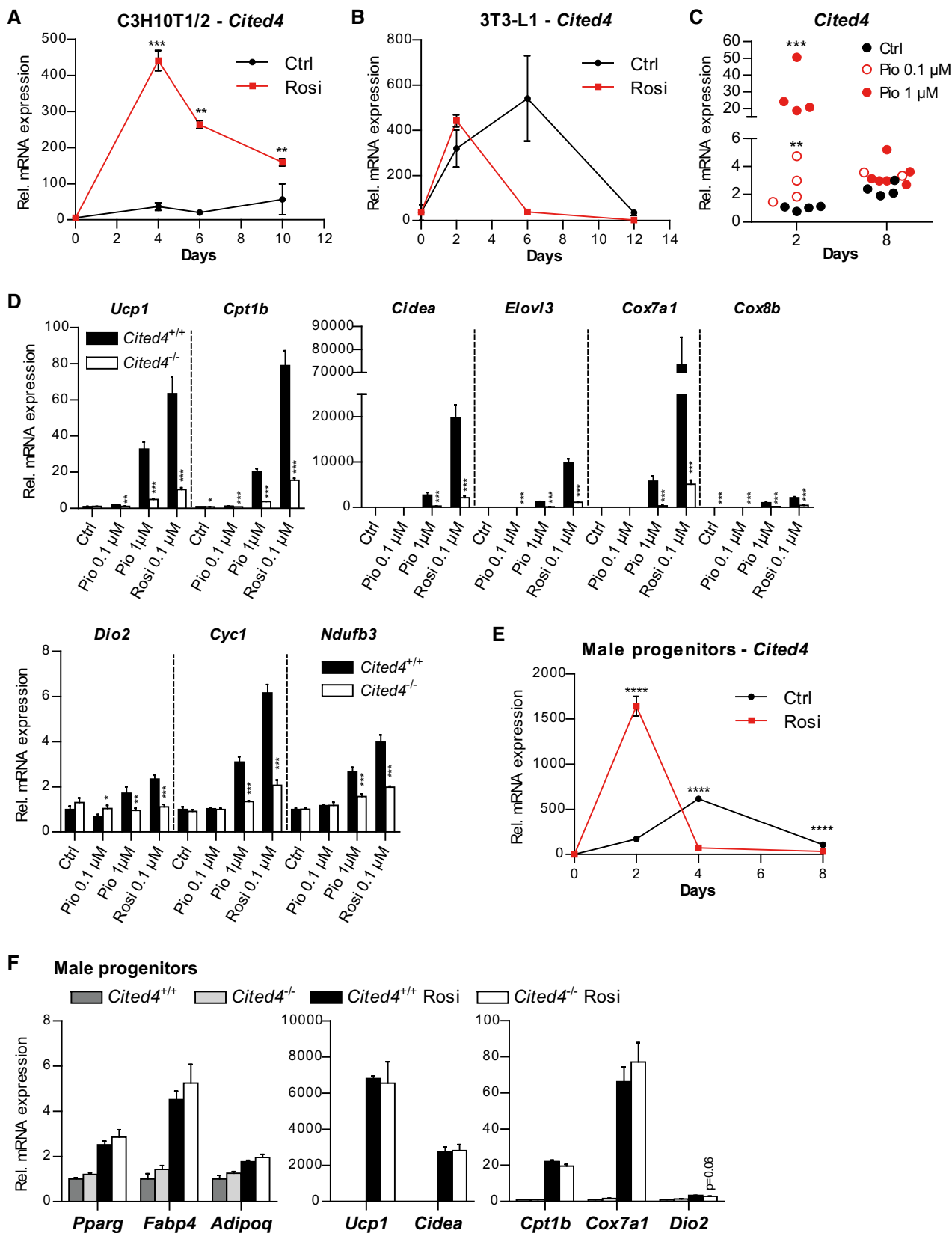


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Figure EV2. Cited4 is a target of rosiglitazone in murine and human adipocyte progenitors promoting beige differentiation.

- A Phase contrast microscopy of primary SVF cells from human subcutaneous fat, differentiated in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle for 14 days (representative of $n = 5$ patients). Scale bar is 100 μm .
- B, C mRNA expression in primary SVF cells from human subcutaneous fat, differentiated in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 5$ patients). (B) **** $P = 1 \times 10^{-10}$ (Day 2), **** $P = 5 \times 10^{-8}$ (Day 6), **** $P = 1 \times 10^{-9}$ (Days 10 and 14), (C) **** $P = 7 \times 10^{-7}$ (Day 6), **** $P = 1 \times 10^{-9}$ (Days 10 and 14) in 2×2 ANOVA with Bonferroni's posttests (Rosi vs. vehicle).
- D mRNA expression in primary SVF cells from human male subcutaneous fat transfected with the indicated siRNA prior to differentiation in the presence of 100 nM Rosi for 9 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$). *** $P = 0.0002$ (*siCITED4.1 CITED4*), *** $P = 0.0003$ (*siCITED4.2 CITED4*), ** $P = 0.005$ (*UCP1*), * $P = 0.01$ (*CIDEA*), *** $P = 0.0006$ (*CITED4.1 CPT1B*), ** $P = 0.007$ (*CPT1B*), *** $P = 0.0006$ (*CITED4.1 SLC2A4*), ** $P = 0.009$ (*ADIPOQ*) in ANOVA with Tukey's posttests (vs. *siCtrl*).
- E GFP fluorescence intensity distribution of $\text{Lin}^- \text{Sca1}^+$ progenitor cells 24 hours after transfection with GFP mRNA, determined by flow cytometry (compared to non-transfected cells).
- F mRNA expression in female *Cited4*^{F/F} $\text{Lin}^- \text{Sca1}^+$ progenitor cells transfected with Cre or control mRNA prior to differentiation in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle for 8 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 3$). *t*-test Cre vs. Ctrl (Rosi), ** $P = 0.002$ (*Cited4*), * $P = 0.039$ (*Adipoq*), * $P = 0.015$ (*Ucp1*), * $P = 0.011$ (*Cidea*), ** $P = 0.004$ (*Cpt1b*), * $P = 0.011$ (*Dio2*).
- G mRNA expression in female *Cited4*^{F/F} $\text{Lin}^- \text{Sca1}^+$ progenitor cells transfected with Cre or control mRNA 3 days after induction of differentiation in the presence of 100 nM Rosi or vehicle for 8 days, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 4$). *t*-test Cre vs. Ctrl, *** $P = 0.0005$ (*Cited4*), ** $P = 0.009$ (*Cpt1b*).

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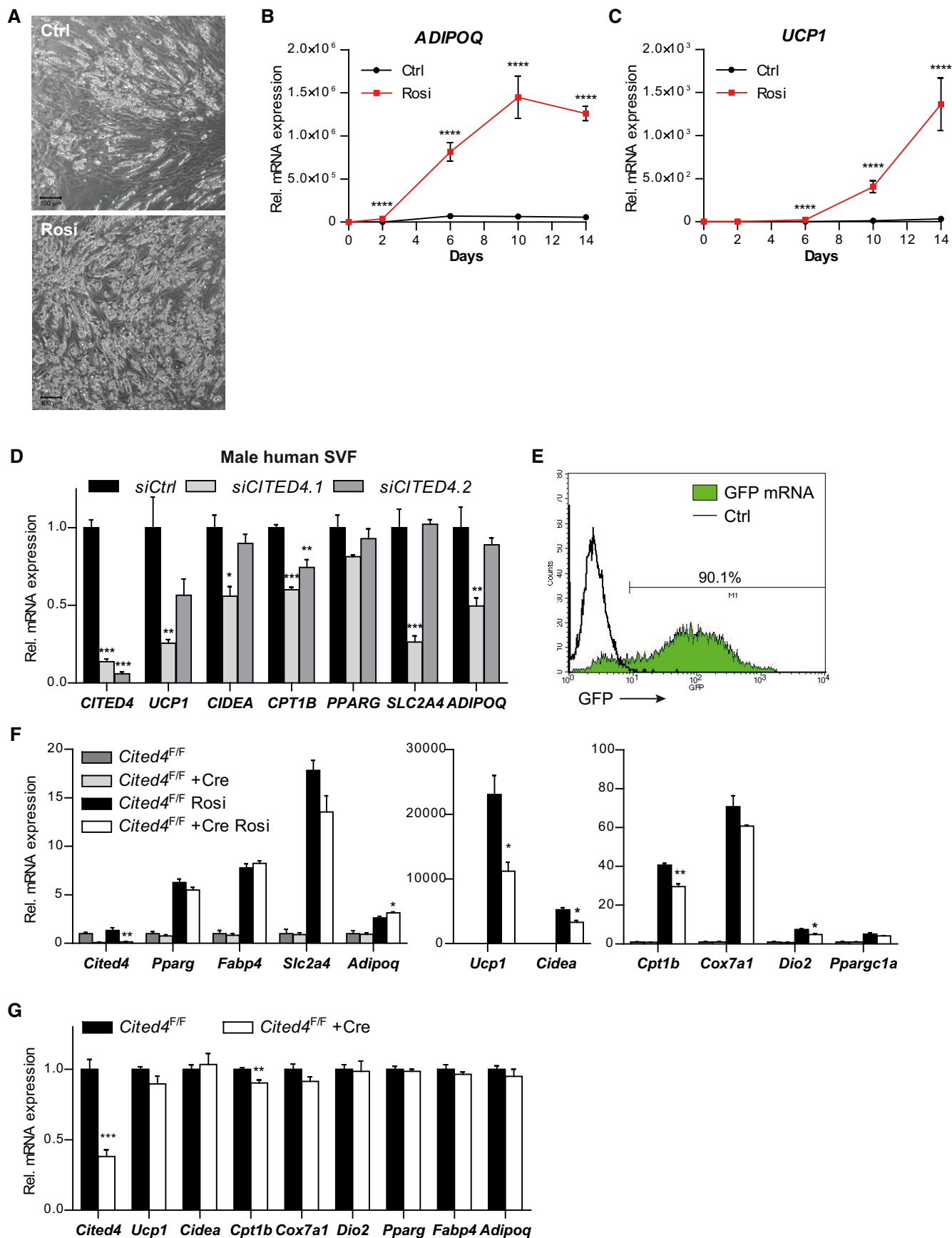


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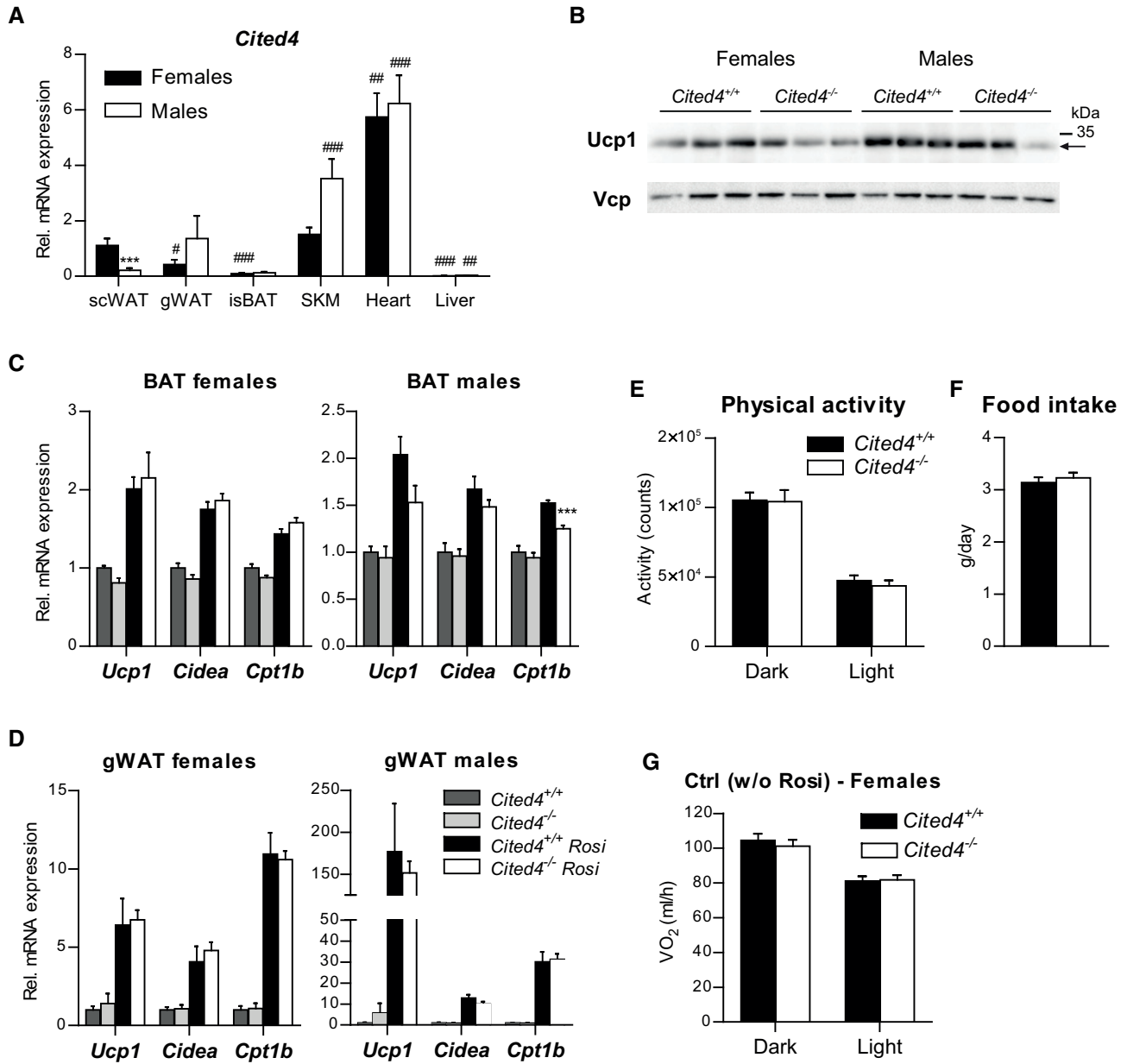


Figure EV3. *Cited4* deficiency specifically affects rosiglitazone-mediated thermogenic expression in subcutaneous fat.

A mRNA expression in wild-type mice without treatment, as determined by qRT-PCR ($n = 6$). scWAT: subcutaneous white adipose tissue; gWAT: gonadal WAT; isBAT: interscapular brown adipose tissue; SKM: gastrocnemius skeletal muscle. 2×2 ANOVA with Holm-Sidak posttests, $***P = 0.0004$ (female vs. male), $####P = 0.0004$, $###P = 7 \times 10^{-5}$, $##P = 6 \times 10^{-9}$, $###P = 3 \times 10^{-10}$, (isBAT, SKM, heart, liver, respectively, vs. scWAT within indicated sex), $#P = 0.032$ (females: gWAT vs. scWAT), $##P = 0.006$ (females: Heart vs. scWAT), $###P = 0.006$ (males: Liver vs. scWAT).

B Ucp1 expression in scWAT of mice fed a diet with 0.0075% Rosi or control diet for 2.5 weeks, determined by Western blot with VCP as loading control ($n = 3$, same samples as in Fig 4C and D).

C mRNA expression in BAT of mice treated as in (A), determined by qRT-PCR. t -test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+} (Rosi), females: $n = 5/5/6/6$, males: $n = 5/4/5/5$, $***P = 0.0004$.

D mRNA expression in gWAT of mice treated as in (A), determined by qRT-PCR. t -test *Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+} (Rosi), females: $n = 5/5/6/6$, males: $n = 5/4/5/5$.

E Three-day averages of total activity counts per day and mouse of female mice fed a diet with 0.0075% Rosi for 2.5 weeks, determined by Phenomaster ($n = 9/10$, t -test).

F Three-day averages of food intake per day and mouse of female mice shown in (E) ($n = 9/10$, t -test).

G Oxygen consumption rate of female mice fed control diet, determined by indirect calorimetry and adjusted for body weight by ANCOVA. Three-day averages of VO₂ were calculated for each mouse ($n = 10$). ANCOVA with Bonferroni's posttest (*Cited4*^{-/-} vs. *Cited4*^{+/+}).

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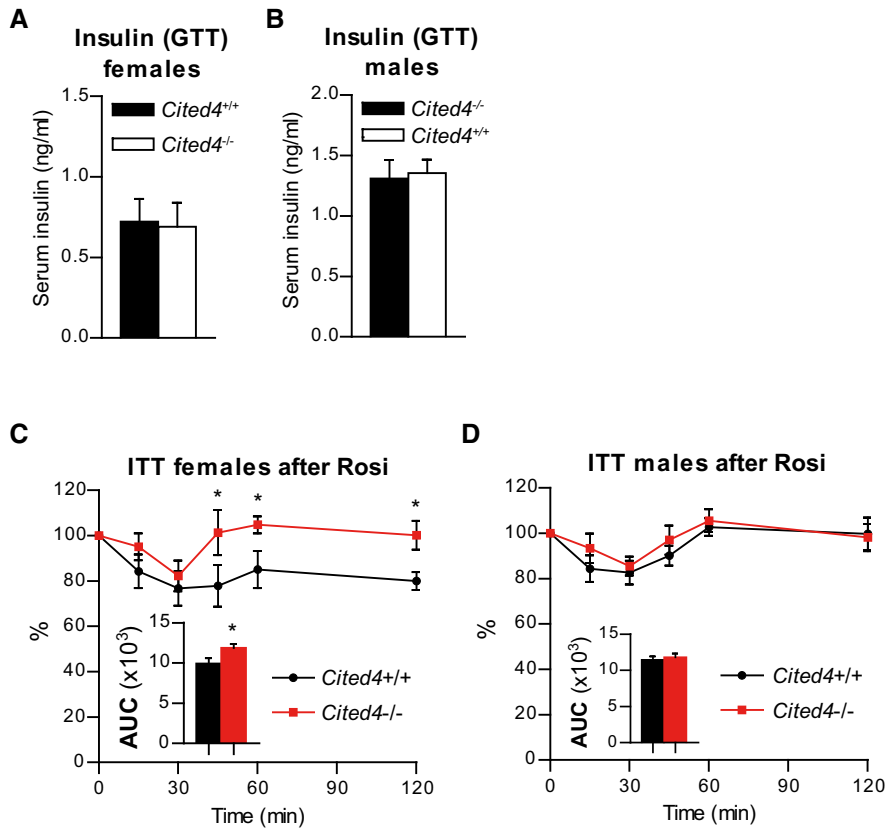


Figure EV4. Sex-specific involvement of *Cited4* insulin sensitization upon therapeutic rosiglitazone treatment.

A, B Serum insulin concentration 60 min after glucose injection in the GTT in mice after 11 weeks of HFD and 4 weeks of HFD + Rosi. *t*-test *Cited4^{-/-}* vs. *Cited4^{+/+}*, (A) $n = 8$, (B) $n = 7/8$.

C Blood glucose during insulin tolerance test (ITT) with 1 U insulin per kg lean mass on female mice after 11 weeks of HFD and 4 weeks of HFD + Rosi, expressed as % of the 0-time point value ($n = 8$). * $P = 0.015$ (45 min), * $P = 0.039$ (60 min), * $P = 0.035$ (120 min) in repeated-measures 2×2 ANOVA with Holm–Sidak posttests; Inlet: AUC *t*-test *Cited4^{-/-}* vs. *Cited4^{+/+}* * $P = 0.041$.

D Blood glucose during ITT on male mice as in (C) ($n = 7/8$). Repeated-measures 2×2 ANOVA with Holm–Sidak posttests; Inlet: AUC *t*-test.

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