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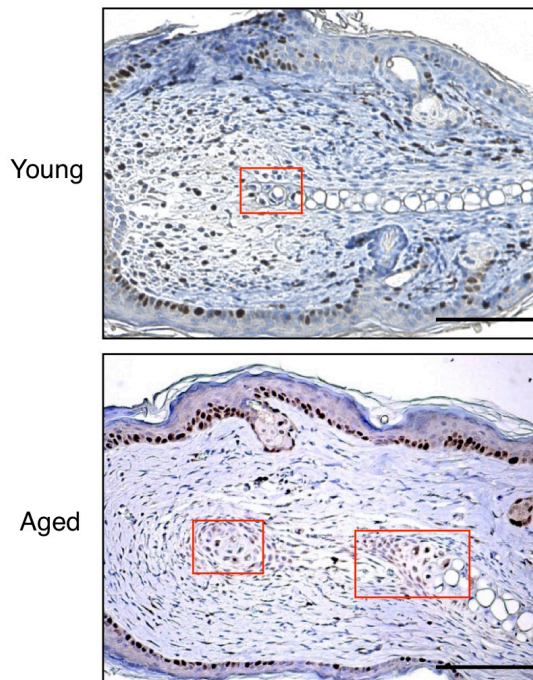
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Comprehensive Supplemental Information

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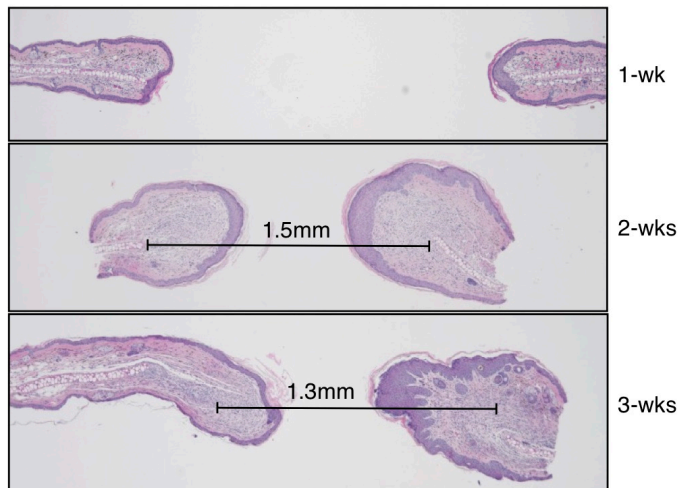
B Ki-67 Immunostaining

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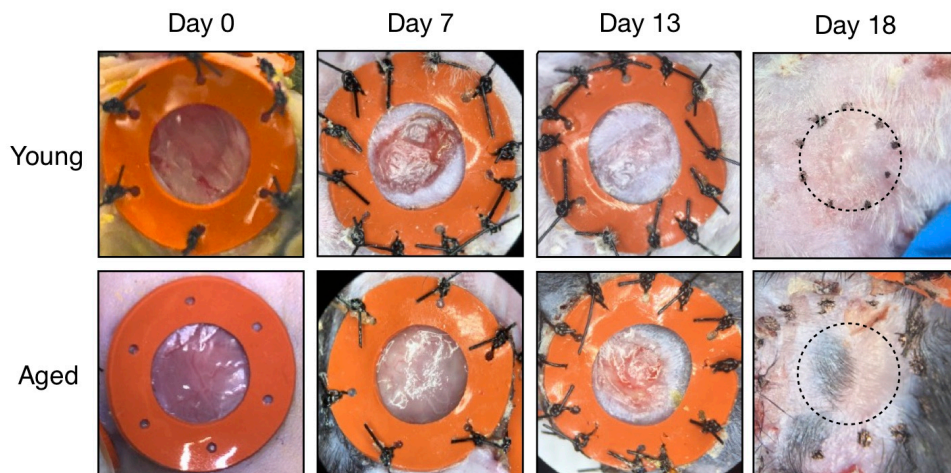


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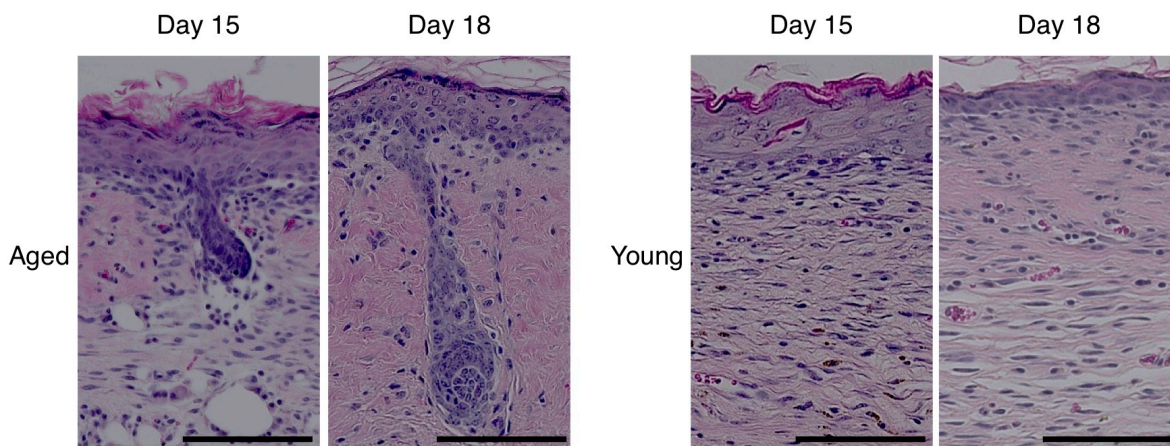
18-mo. old WT mice



C Stented Mouse Back Wounds



D New hair follicle formation during wound repair in aged mice



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Figure S1, Related to Figure 1: Aging promotes tissue regeneration and diminishes scar formation in mice skin.

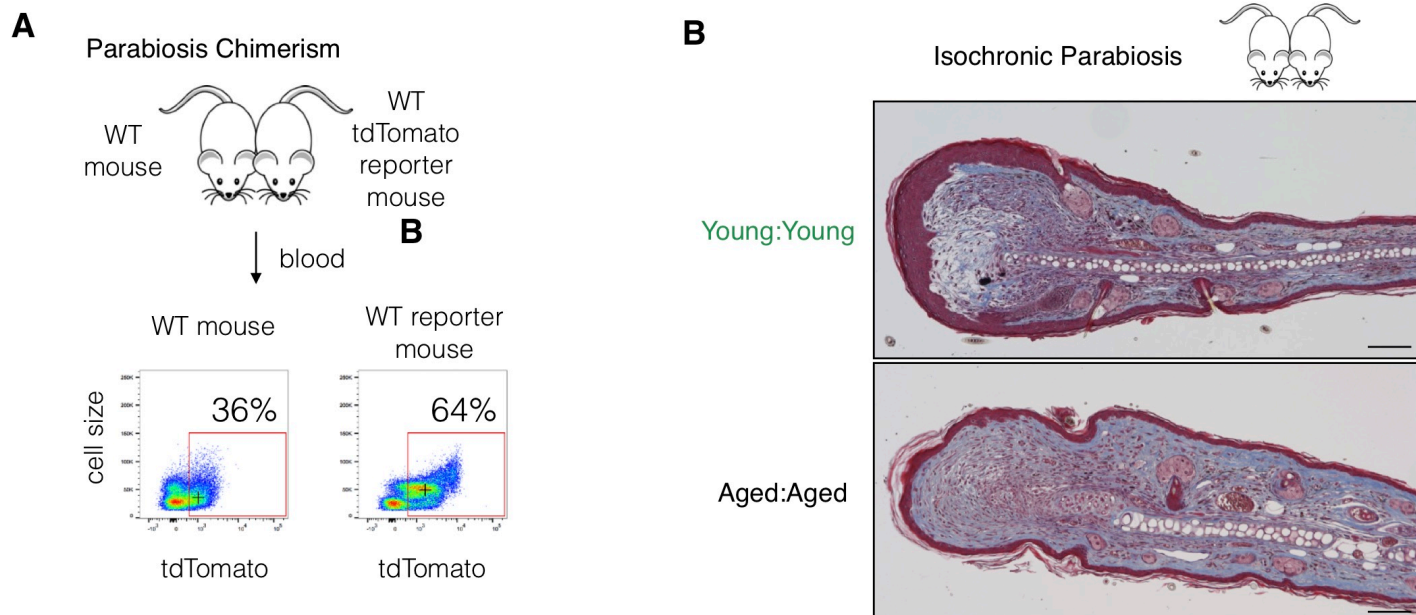
(A) H&E staining of wound edge tissue taken from aged WT mice at weeks 1-3. $N=20$. Solid vertical lines indicate the ends of the cartilage plate.

(B) Ear tissue from injured aged mice demonstrate increased chondrocyte proliferation. Ki-67 immunostaining (brown cells). Red squares identify areas of Ki-67 positive chondrocytes. $N=4$.

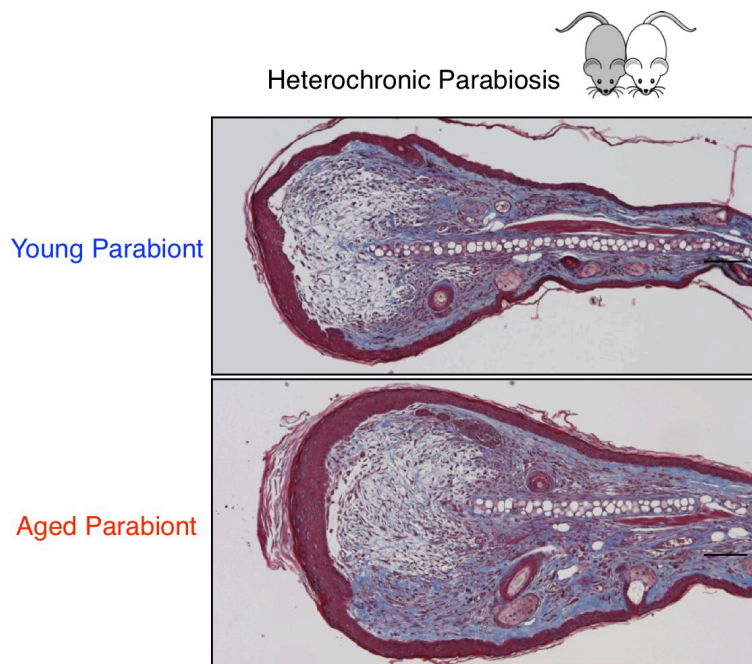
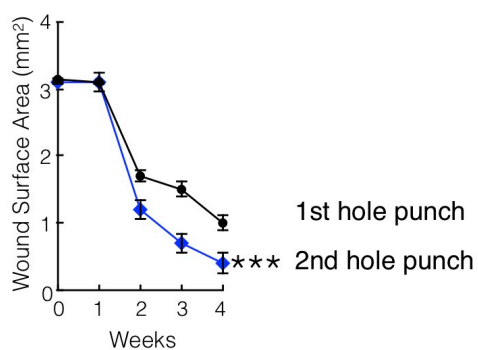
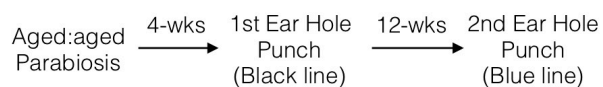
(C) Stented mouse back wounds: representative photographs of young and aged WT mice at different time points. $N=5$.

(D) New hair follicle formation during dorsal back skin repair in aged mice. Representative H&E staining of wound edge tissue taken from young and aged WT mice at Day 15 and Day 18 after injury. $N=3$. Scale bars, $100\mu\text{M}$.

Fig. S2



C Extending Time Between Parabiosis and Injury



D FACS Gating Scheme for Isolating Keratinocytes and Dermal-based cells

WT K14-CreER^{mTmG}

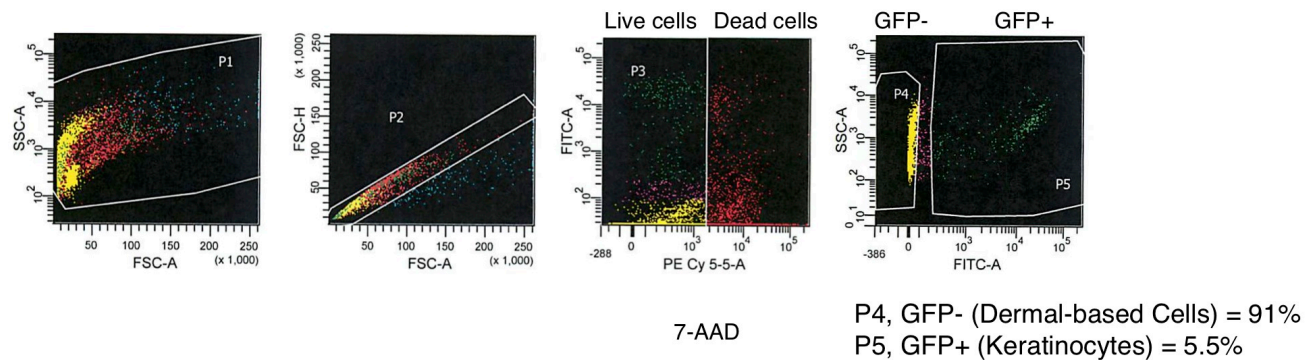


Figure S2, Related to Figure 2: Aged parabionts from heterochronic parabiosis pairs adopt the young parabiont phenotype.

(A) Parabiosis chimerism: Representative FACS plot of blood taken from a parabiosis pair consisting of a fluorescent reporter mouse (R26R^{mTmG}, Jackson Labs) and age-matched control mouse (C57/BL6, Jackson Labs). $N=5$. WT mouse blood percentage of Td-Tomato⁺ cells ranged between 36-45%, which is similar to previously published studies (Conboy et al., 2005).

Experiment repeated 3 times independently.

(B) Trichrome staining of ear wound-edge tissue from parabiosis pairs. Low magnification images to demonstrate consistent background Trichrome staining. $N=5$.

(C) Extending the time period between parabiosis procedure and ear injury improves ear hole closure in aged:aged isochronic pairs. After 12-weeks, a second distinct ear hole punch was performed and followed. $N=3$. (***) $P=1.5e-13$.

(D) Representative FACS gating scheme for keratinocyte and dermal-based cell isolation from WT K14-CreER^{mTmG} mice.

N =biological replicates per group. Error bars are s.e.m.

Fig. S3

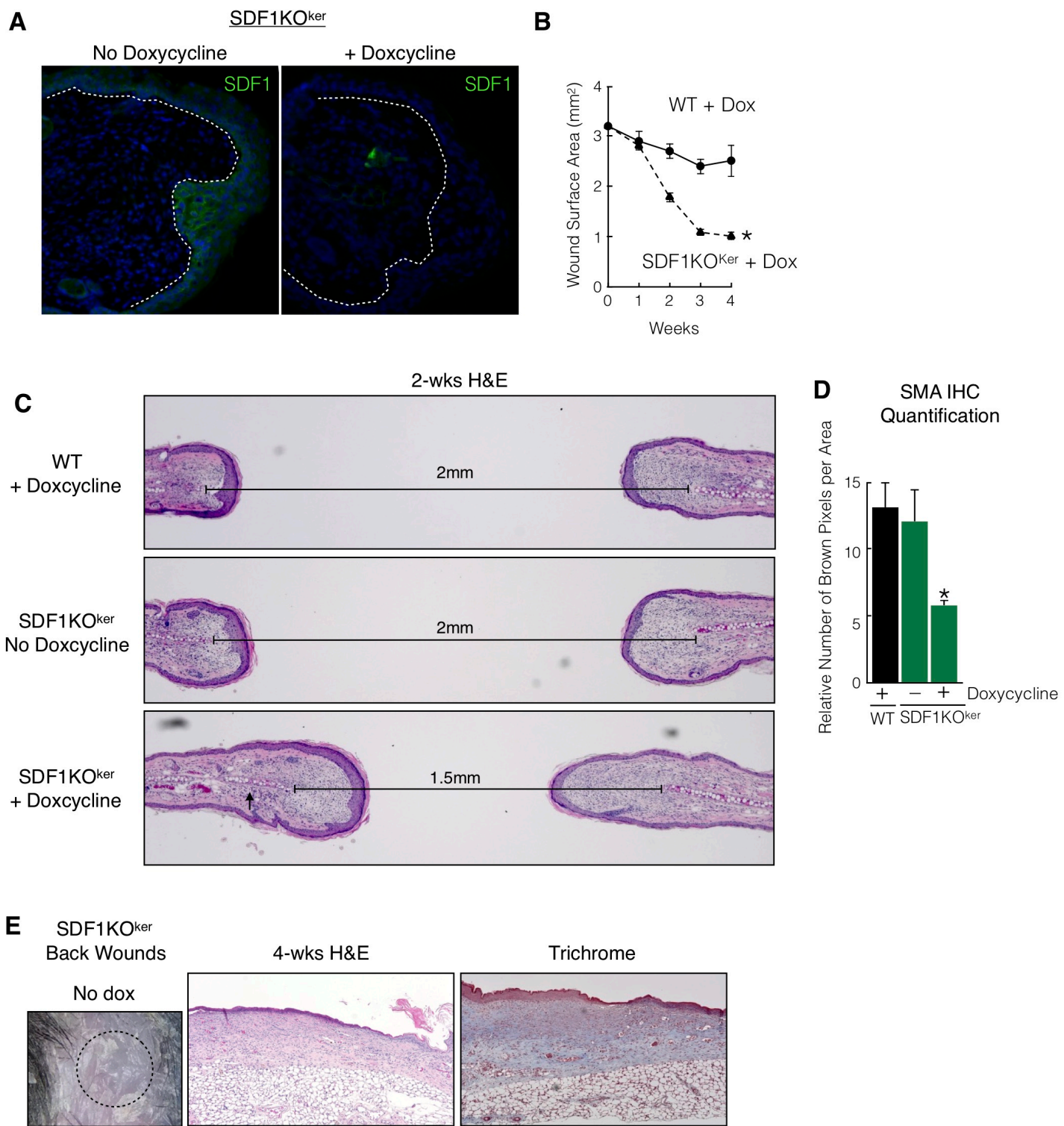


Figure S3, Related to Figure 3: Young skin-specific SDF1 knockout mice (SDF1KO^{ker}) exhibit improved ear hole closure.

(A) Doxycycline treatment specifically deletes SDF1 expression in the skin of SDF1KO^{ker} mice. SDF1 immunostaining (green) of wound edge tissue taken from control (no doxycycline treatment) or doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} mice at 1-week post-injury. Dotted line identifies epidermal-dermal border. *N*=6.

(B) Doxycycline treatment does not induce ear hole closure in young WT mice. Ear hole measurements from doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} and doxycycline-treated WT littermate control mice on weeks 0-4. *N*=5. (*) *P*=0.01.

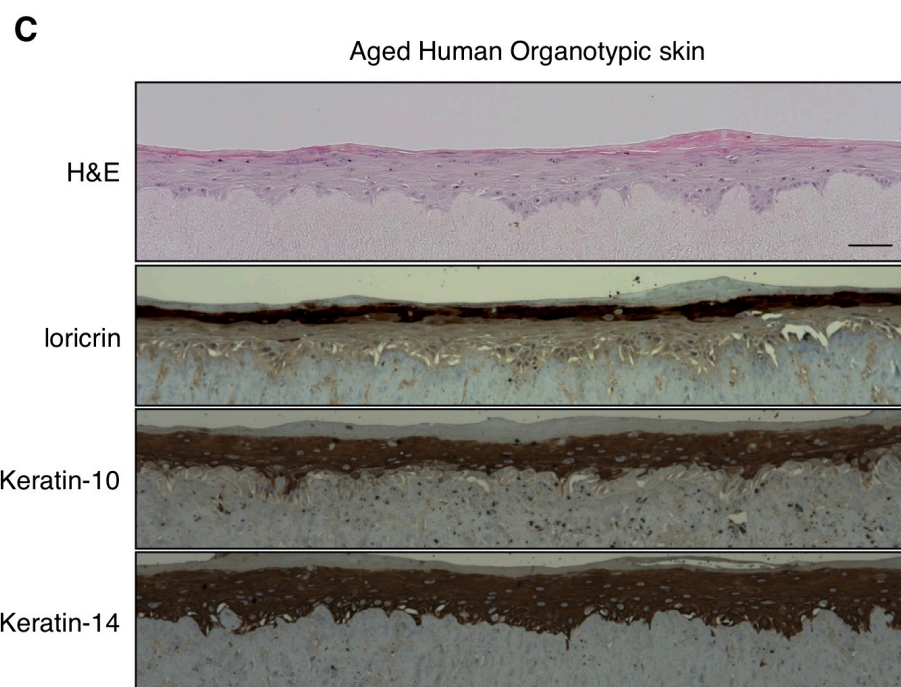
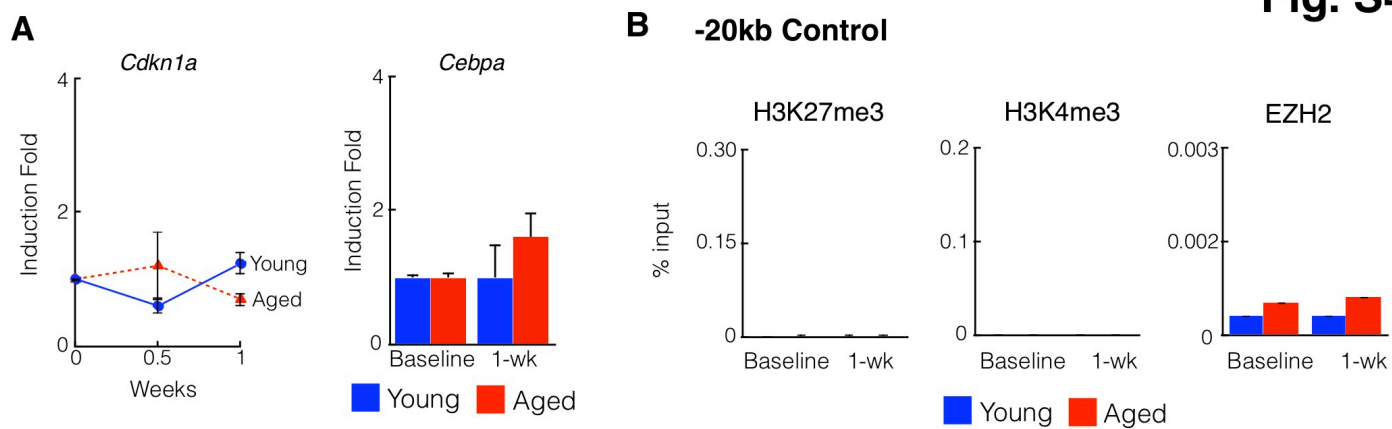
(C) Doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} mice exhibit improved chondrocyte proliferation and absence of scar formation. H&E staining of wound edge tissue taken from control (WT mice treated with doxycycline and SDF1KO^{ker} mice without doxycycline treatment) and doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} mice at 2-weeks post-injury. Solid vertical lines indicate the ends of the cartilage plate. Black arrow indicates cartilage regeneration. *N*=6.

(D) Doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} mice exhibit less α SMA expression 2-weeks after ear injury. Quantification of α SMA immunostaining (Fig. 3E). *N*=6. (*) *P*=0.04

(E) Non-doxycycline-treated SDF1KO^{ker} back wounds (control) heal with a fibrotic scar: photographs, H&E staining, and Trichrome staining at 4-weeks post-injury. *N*=5.

N=biological replicates per group. Error bars are s.e.m. Scale bars, 100 μ M.

Fig. S4



D

Primary Human Keratinocytes used for *in vitro* experiments

| Age (years) | Location | Passage |
|-------------|----------|---------|
| <1 | Foreskin | 4 |
| 64 | Face | 6 |
| 72 | Forearm | 8 |
| 80 | Scalp | 5 |
| 99 | Scalp | 5 |

Figure S4, Related to Figure 4: Mouse and human skin exhibit age-dependent EZH2-mediated SDF1 induction.

(A) Known transcriptional regulators of SDF1 are unchanged with age. Relative mRNA levels of *Cdkn1a* and *Cebpa* in wound edge tissue taken from young or aged WT mice at baseline and 1-week post-injury. $N=6$ mice per time point.

(B) Absence of H3K27me3, H3K4me3, and EZH2 enrichment at a control region located 20kb away from the SDF1 gene. $N=6$ mice per group.

(C) Aged human organoids exhibit appropriate skin differentiation program. H&E staining (upper panel) and loricrin, keratin-10, and keratin-14 immunostaining (lower panels, brown) of aged human skin organoid. $N=5$.

(D) Table describing source of primary human keratinocytes, including: age, location, and passage number.

N =biological replicates per group. Error bars are s.e.m. Scale bars, 100 μ M.