

Expanded View Figures

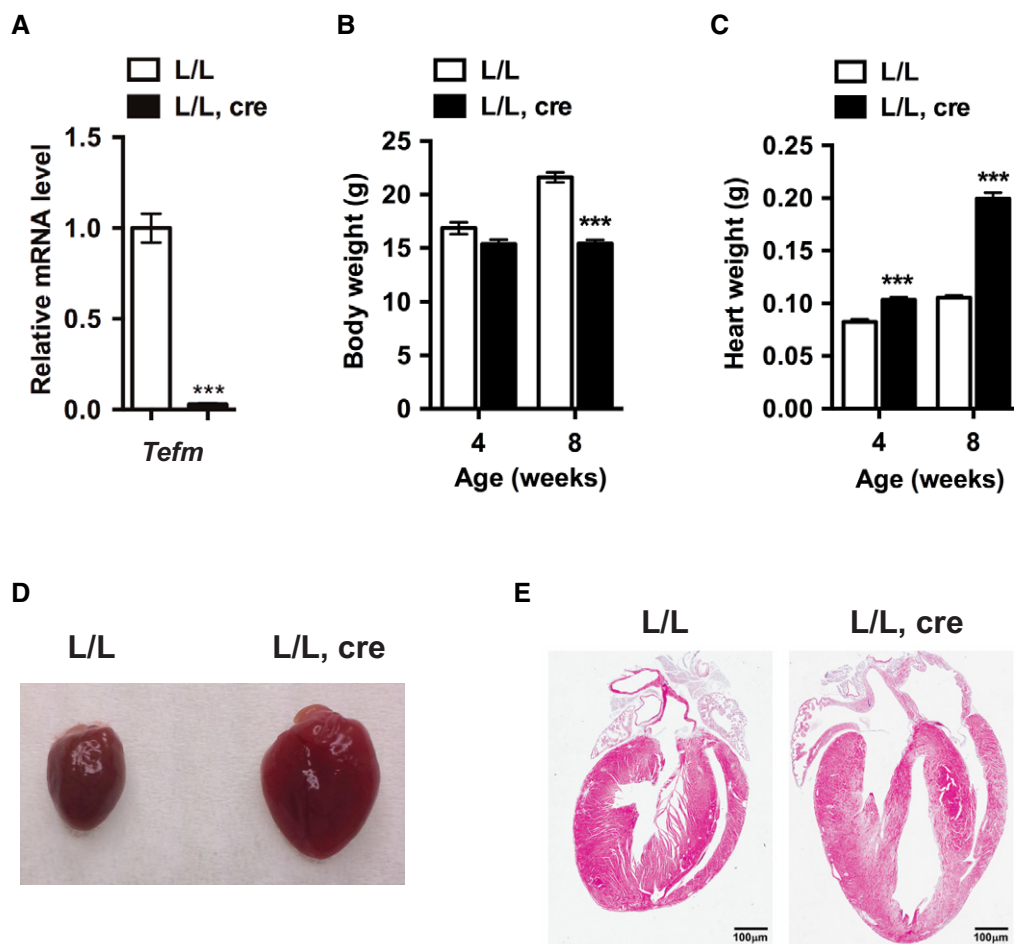


Figure EV1. Disruption of *Tefm* in the germline and heart.

A RT-qPCR analyses of the RNA level of *Tefm* in 8-week-old control (L/L) and *Tefm* knockout (L/L, cre) mice ($n = 10$ mice for each group).

B Body weight of 4- and 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice. At 4 weeks: L/L $n = 22$, L/L, cre $n = 15$; 8 weeks: L/L $n = 41$, L/L, cre $n = 39$.

C Heart weight of 4- and 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice. At 4 weeks: L/L $n = 22$, L/L, cre $n = 15$; 8 weeks: L/L $n = 41$, L/L, cre $n = 39$.

D Representative images of hearts of 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 5$ mice for each group).

E Representative images of hematoxylin and eosin staining showing heart structure and morphology in 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 5$ mice for each group). Scale bar, 100 μm .

Data information: In (A–C), data are presented as mean \pm SEM. *** $P < 0.001$; Student's t -test. (A) $P = 3.666241\text{e-}010$; (B) 4 weeks $P = 0.0541737$, 8 weeks $P = 1.126271\text{e-}016$; (C) 4 weeks $P = 1.207998\text{e-}006$, 8 weeks $P = 1.305101\text{e-}026$.

Figure EV2. Depletion of TEFM in heart causes mitochondrial dysfunction.

- A Quantification of the relative mitochondrial mass by electron microscopy analysis of the heart of 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 5$ mice for each group).
- B Quantitative PCR analyses of the relative mtDNA levels in 4- and 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 8$ mice at each time-point for each group).
- C, D Oxygen consumption rates measured using an Oroboros oxygen electrode in heart mitochondria isolated from 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 5$ mice for each group). Phosphorylating, non-phosphorylating, and uncoupled respiration under carbonyl cyanide 3-chlorophenylhydrazone states were measured using pyruvate, glutamate, and malate or succinate and rotenone as substrates.
- E Western blot analyses of subunits of OXPHOS at the age of 8 weeks ($n = 15$ mice for each group). Nucleus-encoded subunits of complex I (NDUFB8), complex II (SDHB), complex III (UQCRC2), complex IV (MTCOX1), and complex V (ATP5A) were analyzed. VDAC was used as loading control.
- F Analysis of the assembly of the OXPHOS complexes by BN-PAGE in heart mitochondria of 8-week-old control *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 6$ mice for each group). OXPHOS complexes were detected by western blot following the BN-PAGE, including complex I (NDUFB2), complex II (SDHA), complex III (UQCRC1), complex IV (COXIV), and complex V (ATP5A).

Data information: In (A–D), data are presented as mean \pm SEM. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$; Student's *t*-test. A: $P = 0.0003$; B: 4 weeks: *Nd1/18S* $P = 0.0135973$, *Nd6/18S* $P = 0.00955924$, *Cyb/18S* $P = 0.0114725$, 8 weeks: *Nd1/18S* $P = 1.449815e-005$, *Nd6/18S* $P = 6.995544e-005$, *Cyb/18S* $P = 4.002903e-006$. C: $P =$ Complex I Phosphorylating $P = 1.355075e-008$, Non-phosphorylating $P = 0.00279867$, Uncoupled $P = 0.000431079$; D: Complex II Phosphorylating $P = 1.399847e-007$, Non-phosphorylating $P = 4.396380e-008$, Uncoupled $P = 1.662621e-006$.

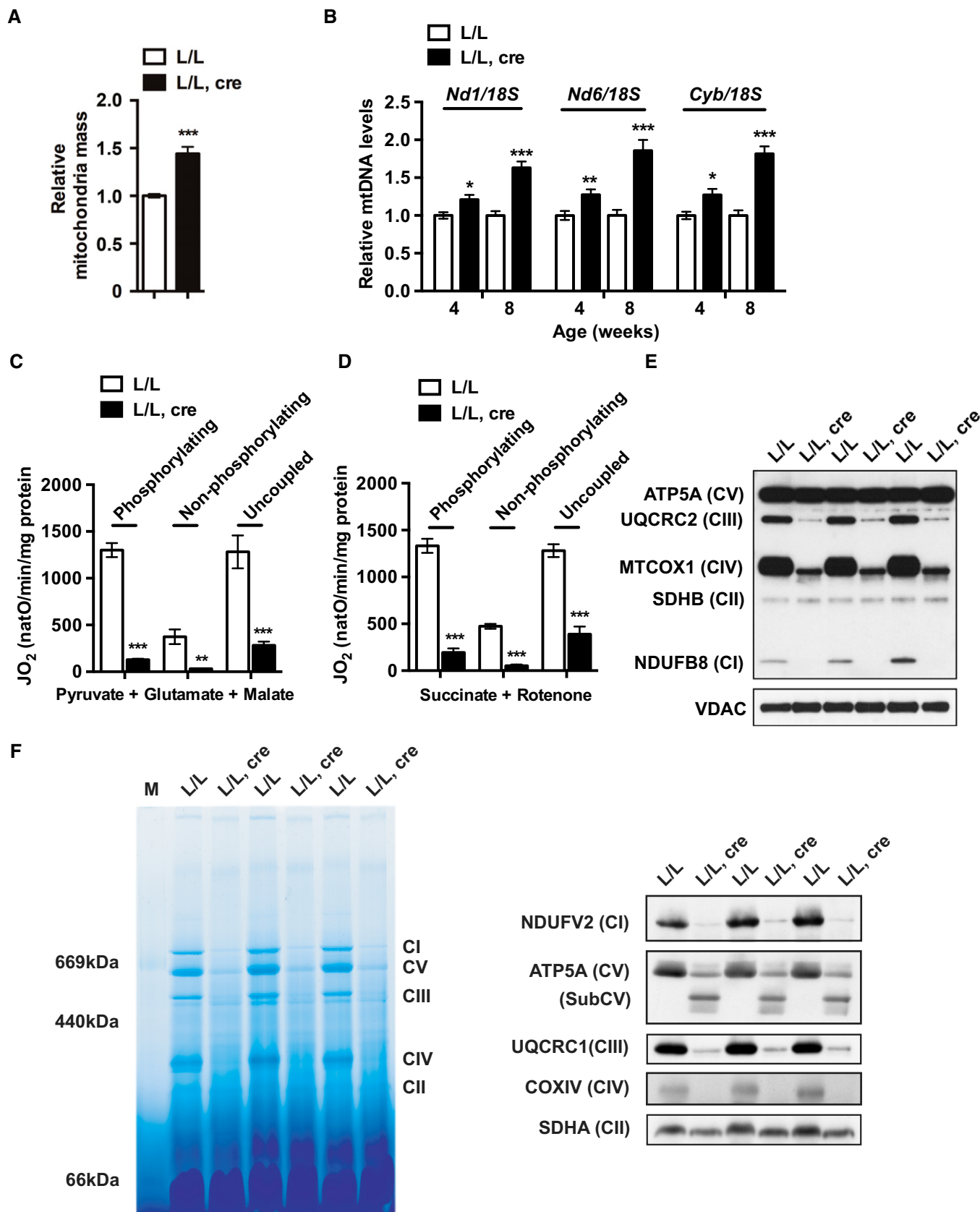


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Figure EV3. Proteome of *Tefm* knockout heart mitochondria.

- A Beeswarm plot presenting the distribution of differentially expressed proteins (Benjamini–Hochberg adj. $P < 0.05$) in mitochondrial pathways after knockout of *Tefm* at 8 weeks of age ($n = 5$ mice for each group).
- B Heatmap showing differentially expressed respiratory chain complexes assembly factors (upper panel) and RNA metabolism-related proteins (lower panel) in *Tefm* knockout mice in comparison to controls [L/L, cre/L/L].
- C Volcano scatterplots depicting the expression levels of the subunits of the small (28S) and large (39S) ribosomes in green and blue, respectively. Red dotted line, Benjamini–Hochberg adj. $P = 0.05$.

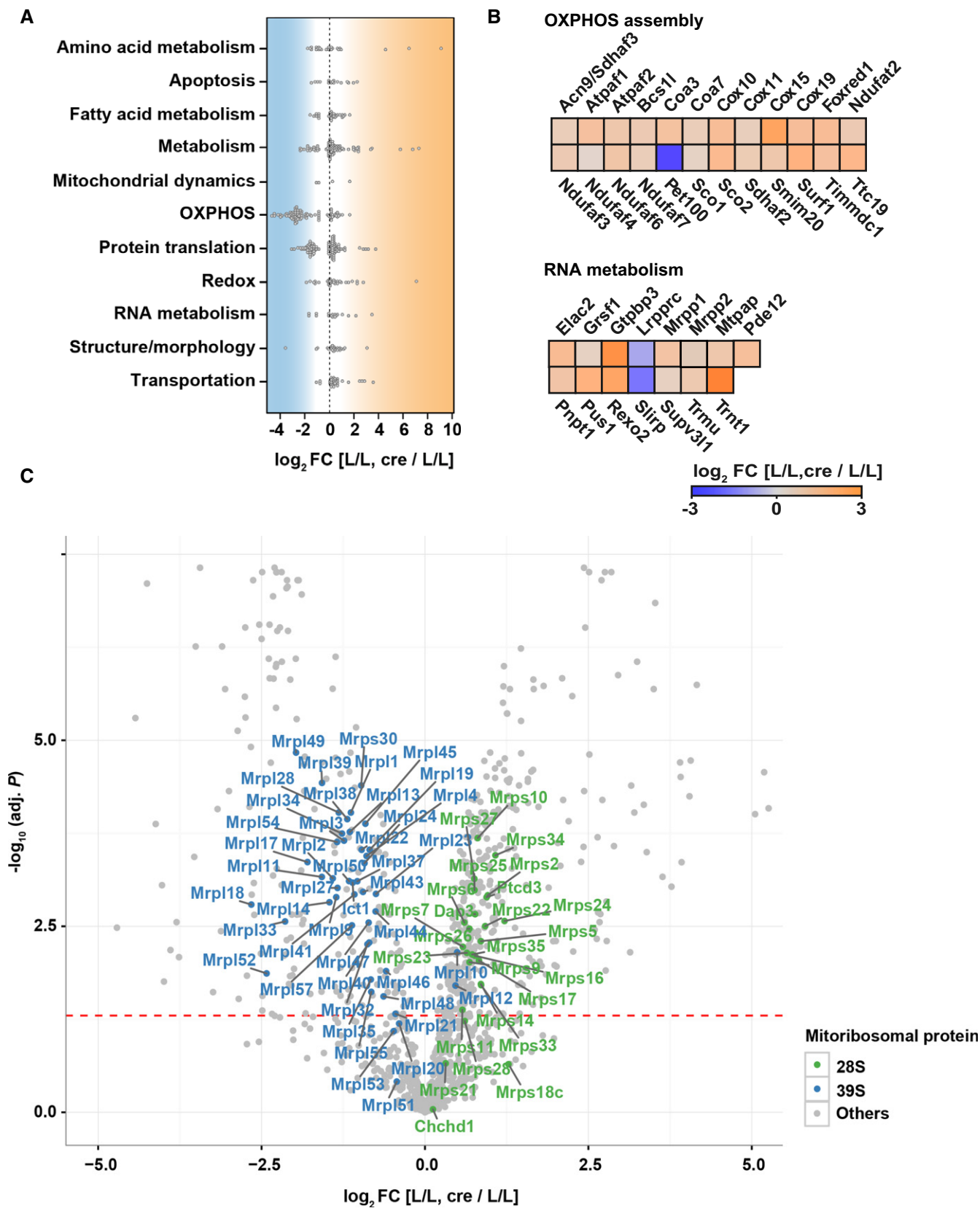


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Figure EV4. Characterization of whole-body *Tefm* and *Polrmt* double-heterozygous knockout mice and the effects of TEFM depletion on mitochondrial transcripts and the mtDNA replication machinery.

- A Western blot analyses of POLRMT and TEFM protein levels in heart mitochondrial extracts from 16-week-old *Tefm* and *Polrmt* double-heterozygous knockout mice ($n = 6$ mice for each group). VDAC was used as loading control.
- B Quantitative PCR analyses of the relative mtDNA levels in 16-week-old *Tefm* and *Polrmt* double-heterozygous knockout mice ($n = 6$ mice for each group). *18S* was used to normalize for nuclear input.
- C Western blot analyses of subunits from individual OXPHOS complexes at the age of 16 weeks ($n = 6$ mice for each group). Nucleus-encoded subunits of complex I (NDUFB8), complex II (SDHB), complex III (UQCRC2), complex IV (MTCOX1), and complex V (ATP5A) were analyzed. VDAC was used as loading control.
- D Northern blot analyses of mitochondrial transcripts of mt-rRNAs and mt-mRNAs in 16-week-old *Tefm* and *Polrmt* double-heterozygous knockout mouse hearts ($n = 8$ mice for each group). *18S rRNA* was used as loading control.
- E Northern blot analyses of mitochondrial mt-tRNA transcripts in 16-week-old *Tefm* and *Polrmt* double-heterozygous knockout mouse hearts ($n = 8$ mice for each group). *5.8S rRNA* was used as loading control.
- F RT-qPCR analyses of the mitochondrial transcripts in 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 12$ mice for each group).
- G Western blot analyses of TFAM and TFB2M in the 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 12$ mice for each group). SDHA was used as loading control.
- H Western blot analyses of the subunit A of the DNA polymerase γ (POL γ A), DNA helicase TWINKLE, and ssDNA-binding protein (SSBP1) in 8-week-old control and *Tefm* knockout mice ($n = 12$ mice for each group). VDAC was used as loading control.

Data information: In (B), data are presented as mean \pm SEM. Statistical analysis was performed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA). There is no difference between groups. In (F), data are presented as mean \pm SEM. *** $P < 0.001$; Student's t -test. (F) HSP transcripts: *12S rRNA* $P = 0.000728399$; *16S rRNA* $P = 1.10763E-06$; *Nd1* $P = 2.63285E-06$; *Nd2* $P = 0.00152084$; *Cox1* $P = 1.29269E-06$; *Cox2* $P = 1.9267E-05$; *Atp8* $P = 3.05955E-07$; *Atp6* $P = 0.000849436$; *Cox3* $P = 4.98506E-05$; *Nd3* $P = 4.07442E-05$; *Nd4* $P = 1.43029E-06$; *Nd5* $P = 6.04136E-05$; *Cyb* $P = 0.00882284$; LSP transcript: *Nd6* $P = 0.00139773$.

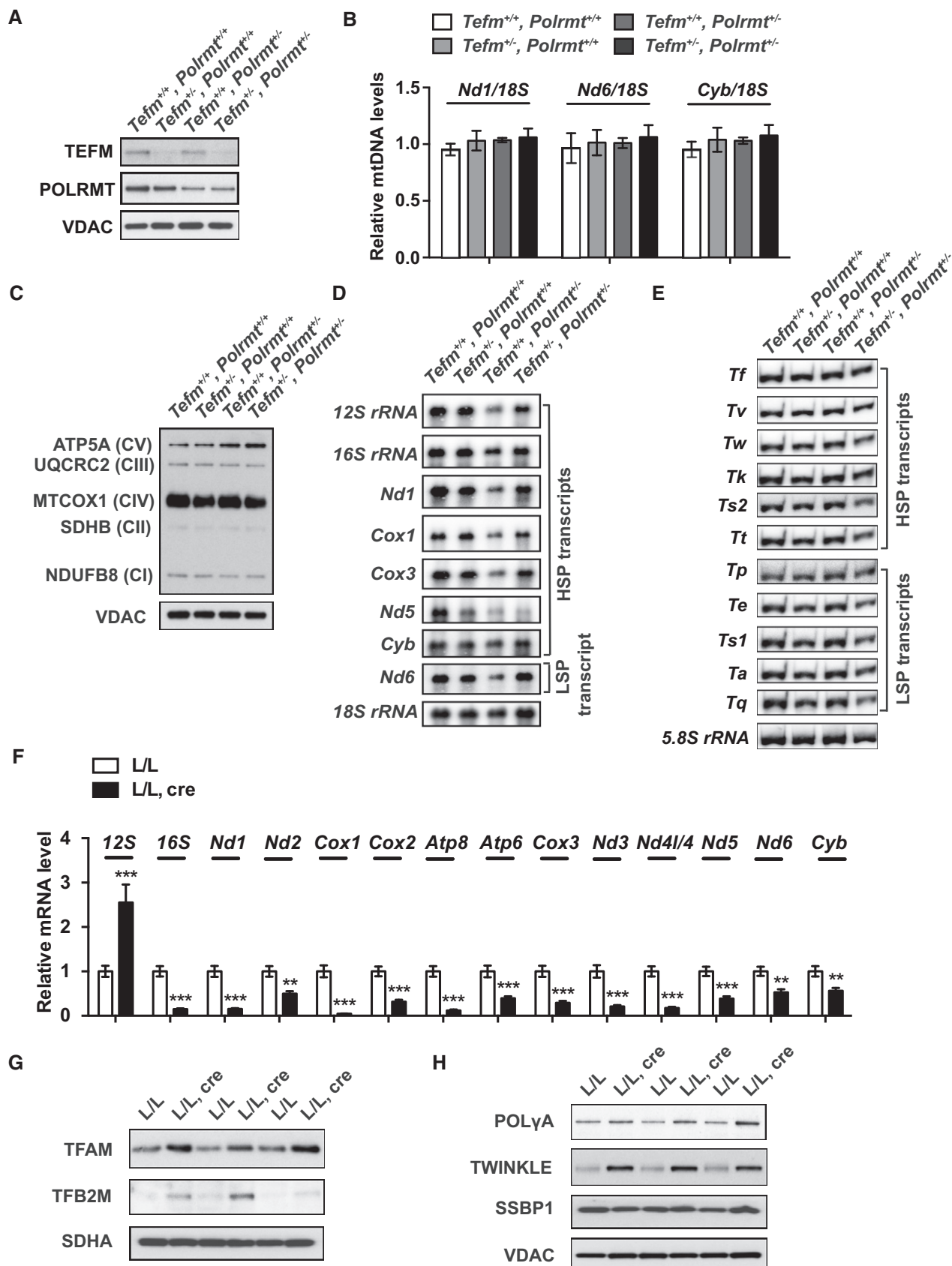


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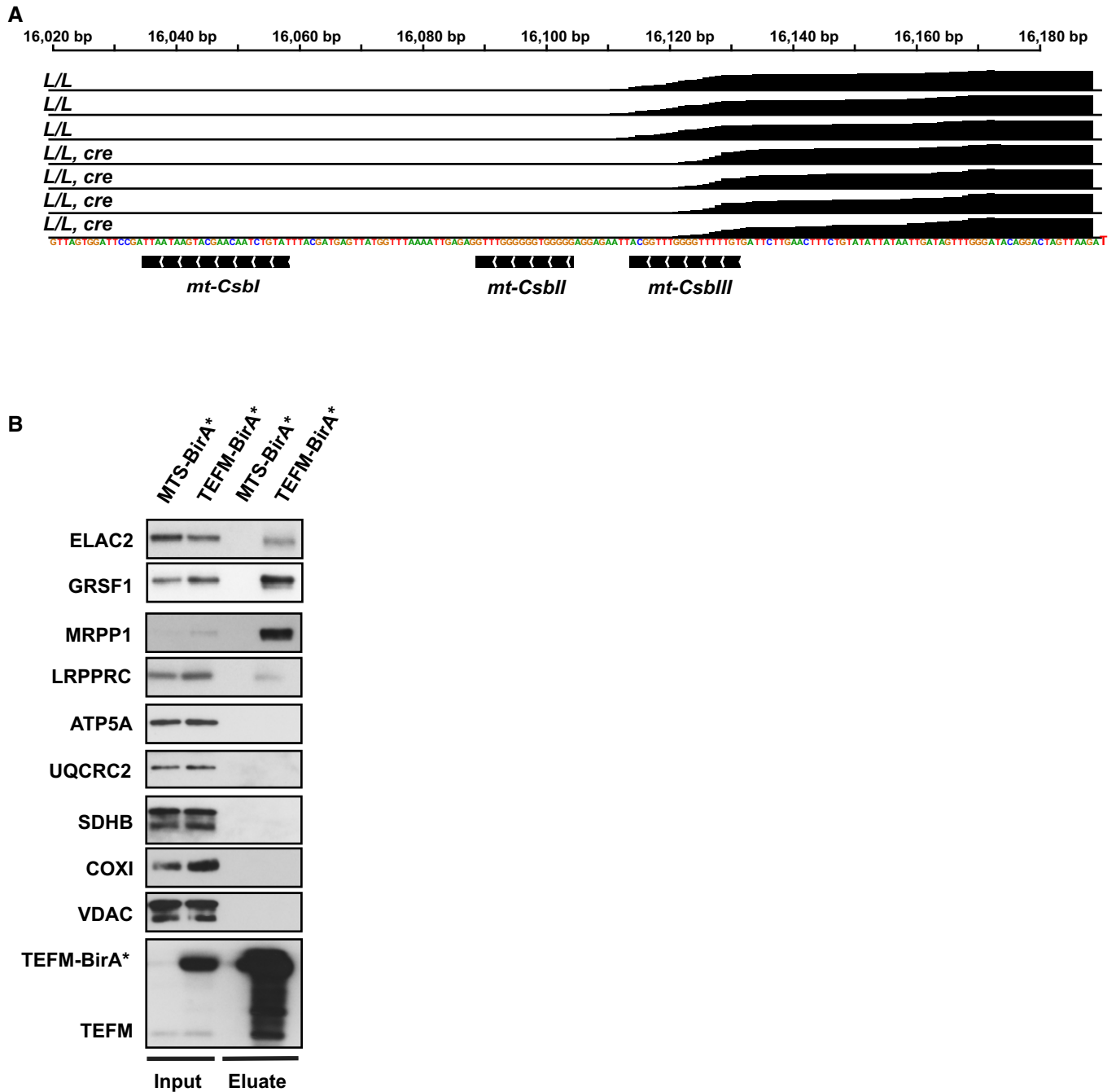


Figure EV5. Transcriptome-wide analysis of *Tefm* knockout hearts and TEFM interacts with mtRNA processing factors.

A Normalized read counts corresponding to the light-promoter region from small RNA sequencing of mitochondrial transcripts showing the 7S RNA read counts (*L/L*, $n = 4$; *L/L, cre*, $n = 3$).

B Western blot analyses of RNA processing-related proteins in isolated mitochondria (input) and eluates when TEFM-BirA* was used as a bait. Eluate (100%), input (1%).