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Supplementary Table 1. Primers for quantitative real-time PCR (related to Star Methods).

Gene	Forward primers (5' to 3')	Reverse primers (5' to 3')
<i>Ucp1</i>	CACTCAGGATTGGCCTCTACG	GGGGTTTGATCCCATGCAGA
<i>Prdm16</i>	CCACCAGACTTCGAGCTACG	ACACCTCTGTATCCGTCAGCA
<i>Pgc1α</i>	CCCTGCCATTGTTAAGACC	TGCTGCTGTTCTGTTTTTC
<i>Cidea</i>	TGACATTCATGGGATTGCAGAC	GGCCAGTTGTGATGACTAAGAC
<i>Elovl3</i>	TTCTCACGCGGGTTAAAAATGG	GAGCAACAGATAGACGACCAC
<i>Ndufv2</i>	GCAAGGAATTTGCATAAGACAGC	TAGCCATCCATTCTGCCTTTG
<i>Ndufb5</i>	CAAGAGACTGTTTGTCTCAAGC	TGTTCAACAGTGTTATGCCAAT
<i>Tmem26</i>	ACCCTGTCATCCCACAGAG	TGTTTGGTGGAGTCCTAAGGTC
<i>CD137</i>	CGTGCAGAACTCCTGTGATAAC	GTCCACCTATGCTGGAGAAGG
<i>Tbx1</i>	TGTGCCCGTAGATGACAAGC	GTACTCGGCCAGGTGTAGC
<i>Cited1</i>	ACTAGCTCCTCTGGATCGACA	GACCCAGTTTTGCATGGGC
<i>Shox2</i>	TATCCAGACGCTTTCATGCG	GGCTCCTATAAGGACACCTTTGT
<i>Pdgfra</i>	AGCAGGCAGGGCTTCAACGG	ACACAGTCTGGCGTGCGTCC
<i>AEBP1</i>	GTACCCACACACTTCAGTCAG	CTCCGCTTGTTTATTCCAGC
<i>GATA2</i>	GCCGGGAGTGTGTCAACTG	AGGTGGTGGTTGTCGTCTGA
<i>Tph1</i>	TGACGCTGCCGATTCTCCAG	GCATGTTGCAACTCGCCAGC
<i>β-actin</i>	CATCCGTAAAGACCTCTATGCCAAC	ATGGAGCCACCGATCCACA

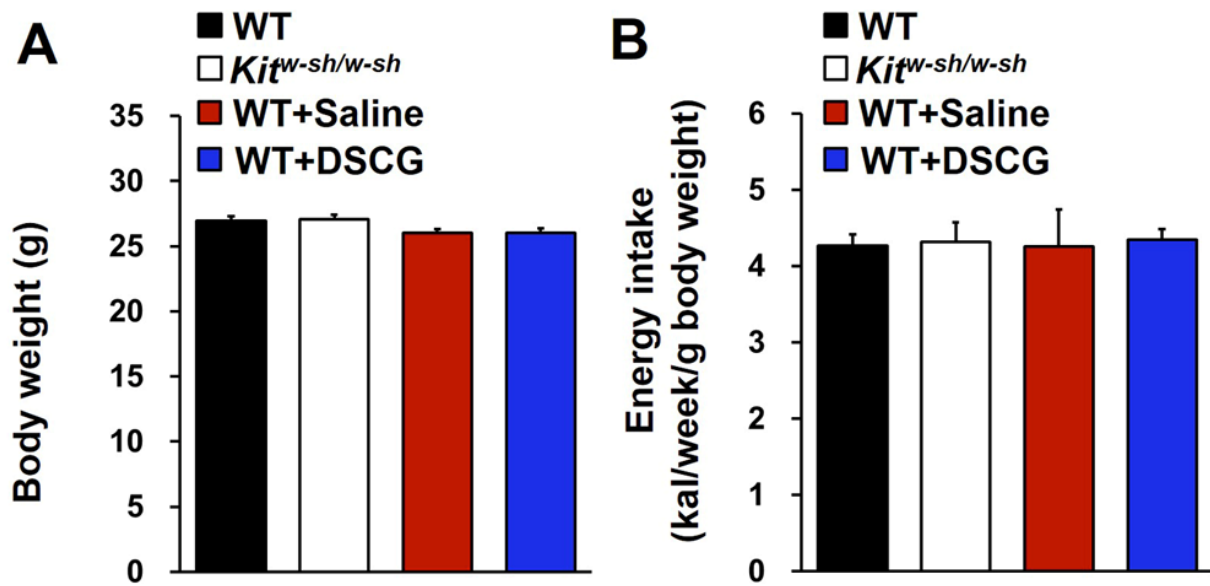


Figure S1. Bodyweight and energy intake from mice on a chow diet (related to Figure 1). (A) Bodyweight of 12-week-old WT mice (n=13), *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mice (n=13), and WT mice receiving saline (n=13) or DSCG (n=16) treatment. (B) Energy intake in the indicated groups (n=13-16 per group). Data are mean±SEM.

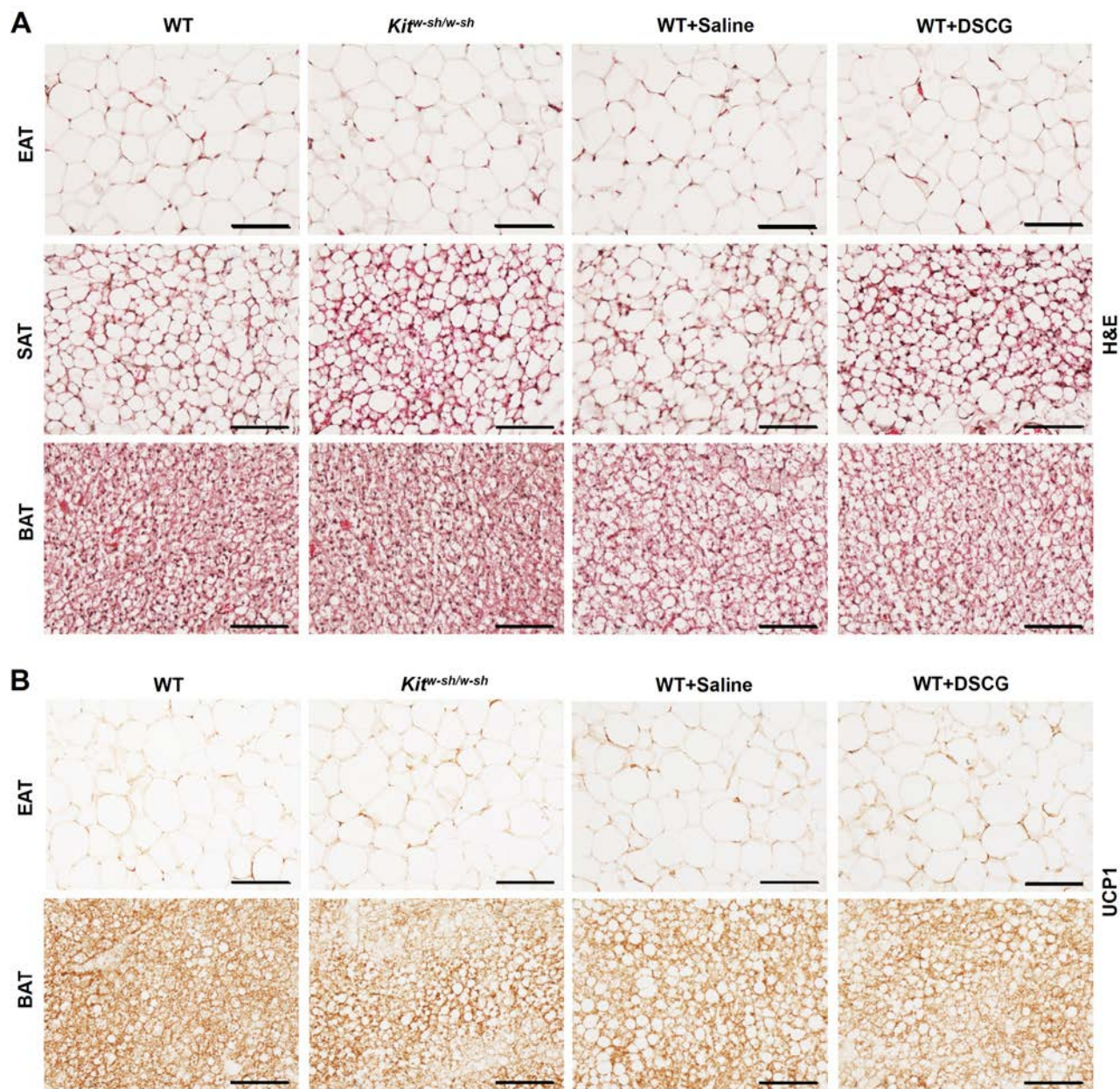


Figure S2. Morphology and UCP1 expression in mouse adipose tissues (related to Figure 1). **(A)** Representative haematoxylin and eosin staining of EAT, SAT, and BAT sections from indicated groups of mice on a chow diet (n=8 per group); scale bar: 100 μ m. **(B)** Representative UCP1 staining of EAT and BAT sections from indicated groups of mice on a chow diet (n=8 per group); scale bar: 100 μ m.

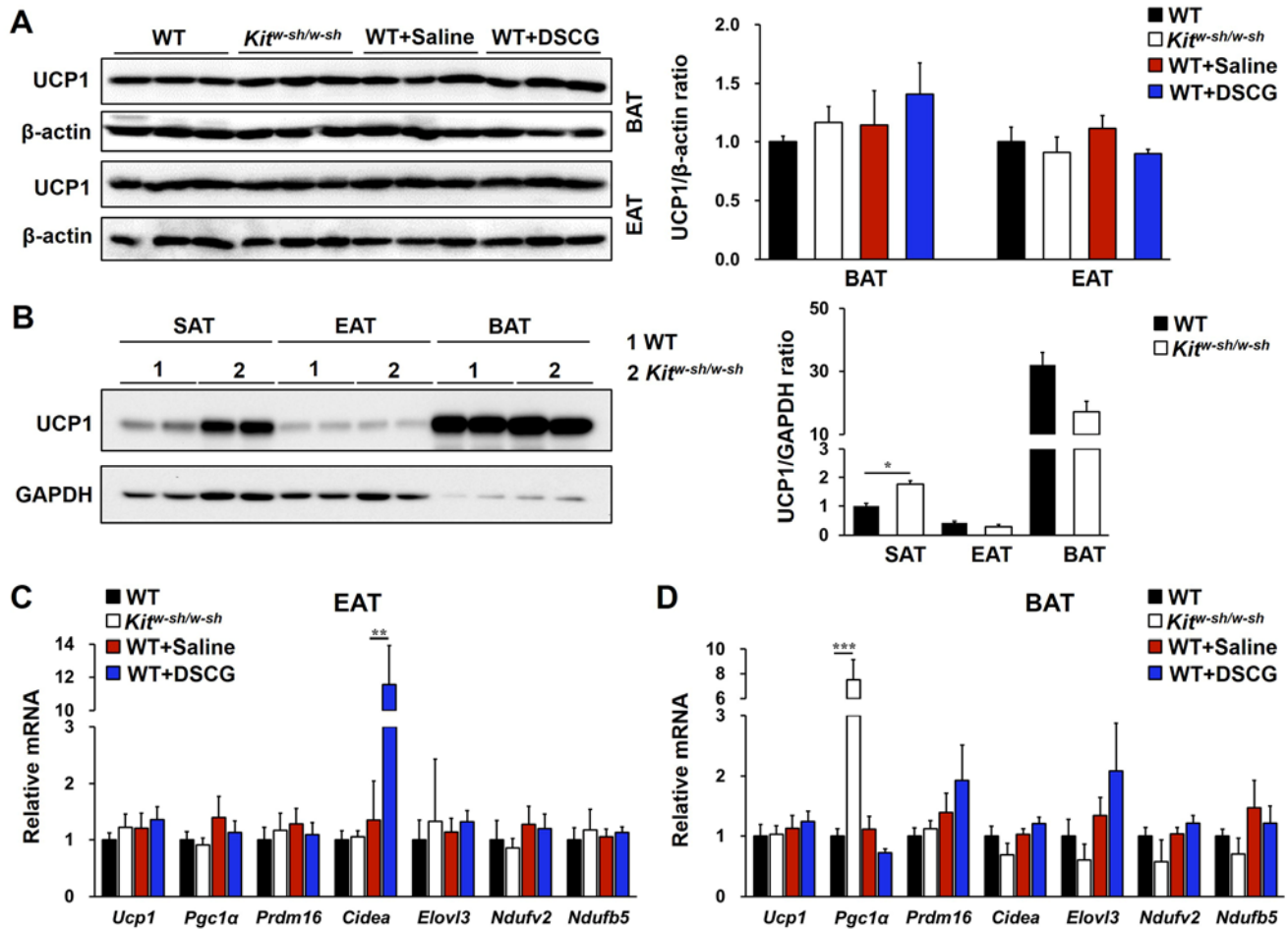


Figure S3. Thermogenic program in mouse adipose tissues (related to Figure 1). (A) Immunoblot analysis of UCP1 and quantification relative to β -actin in EAT and BAT (n=6 per group). Representative immunoblots are shown to the left. (B) Immunoblot analysis of UCP1 and quantification relative to GAPDH in SAT, EAT and BAT on the same immunoblot. Representative immunoblots are shown to the left. (C/D). RT-PCR analysis of thermogenic and mitochondrial genes in EAT (C) and BAT (D) from different groups of mice as indicated (n=12 per group). Data are mean \pm SEM. * P <0.05, ** P <0.01, *** P <0.001.

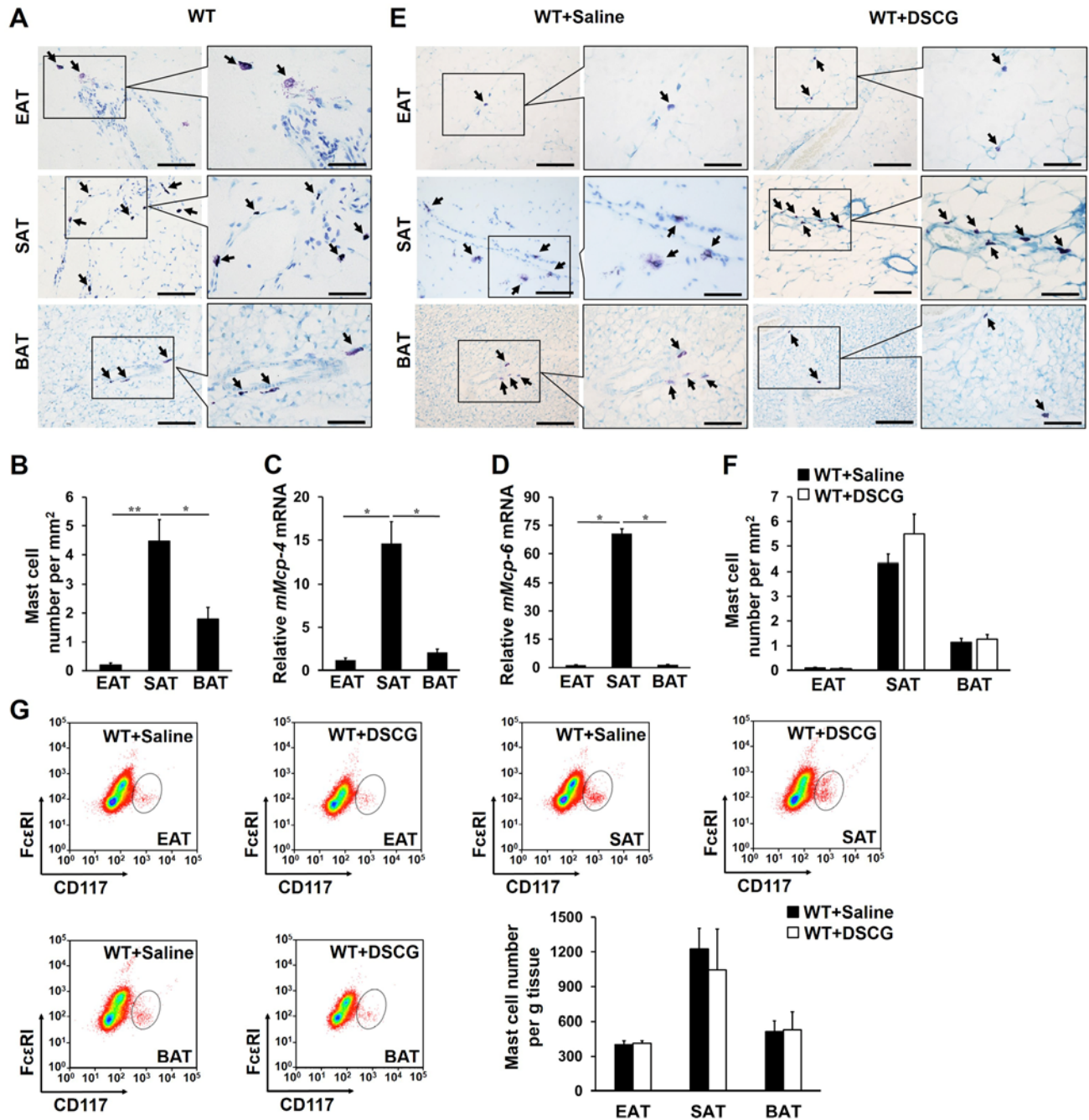


Figure S4. MC numbers and MC marker mRNA levels in different adipose tissues from WT mice treated with saline or DSCG (related to Figure 2). (A)/(B) Toluidine blue staining for MCs of representative adipose tissue (EAT, SAT, and BAT) sections (A) and MC number quantification (B) from WT mice (n=6 per group). (C)/(D) RT-PCR analysis of MC markers *mMcp-4* (C) and *mMcp-6* (D) in different adipose tissues (n=6 per group). (E)/(F) Toluidine blue staining for MCs of representative EAT, SAT, and BAT sections (E) and MC number quantification (F) in saline- (n=8) and DSCG-treated (n=10) WT mice. Arrows indicate MCs; scale bar: 100 μ m, inset scale bar: 50 μ m. (G) FACS analysis for MCs number in EAT, SAT, and BAT and MC number quantification in saline- (n=8) and DSCG-treated (n=8) WT mice. * P <0.05, ** P <0.01.

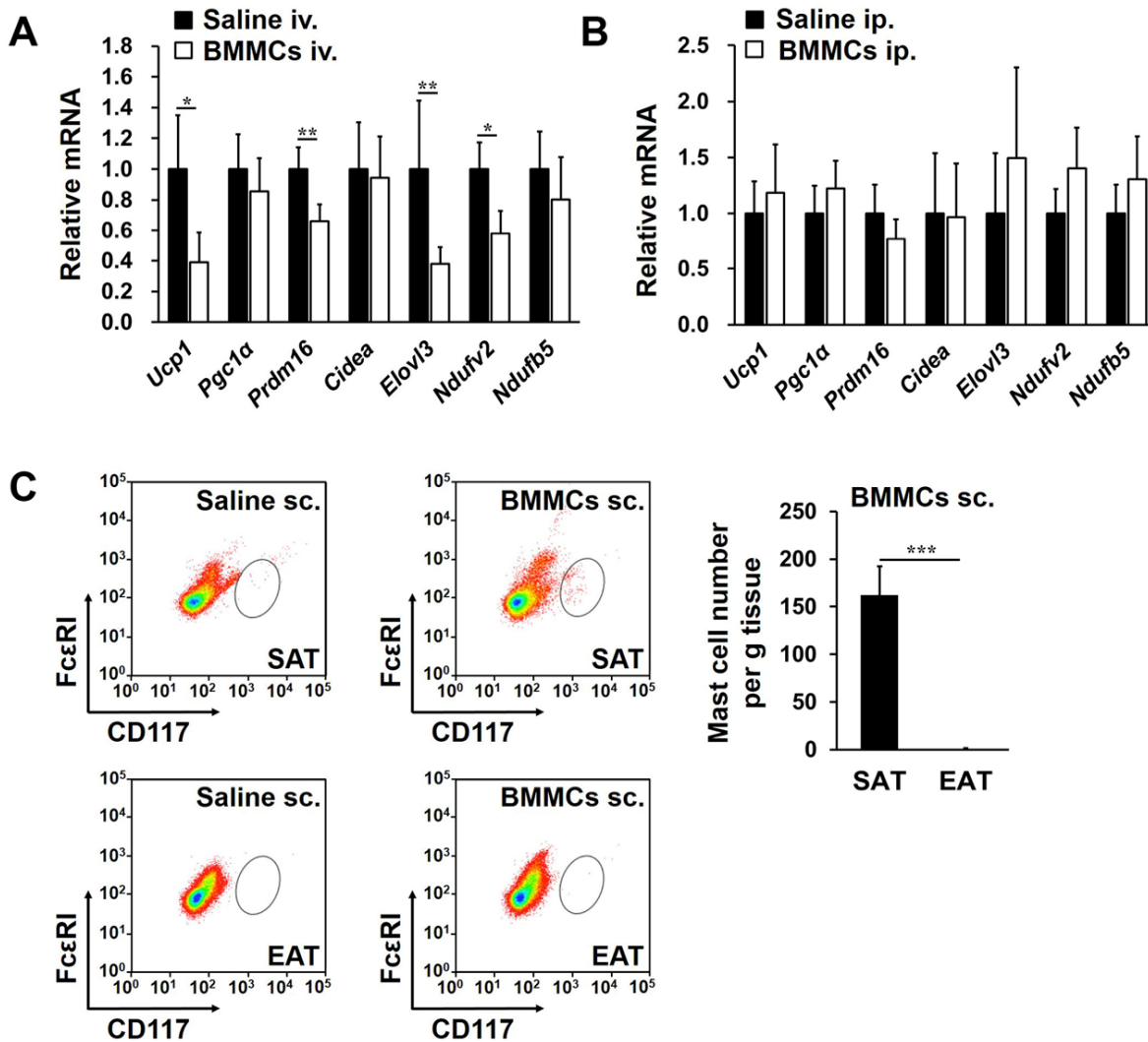


Figure S5. MC number quantification in adipose tissues from *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mice receiving saline or BMMCs (related to Figure 2). (A)/(B) Real-time PCR analysis of thermogenic and mitochondrial genes in SAT from *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mice received saline or BMMC adoptive transfer via intravenous injection (iv.) (A) (n=9-10 per group), or intraperitoneal injection (ip.) (B) (n=7-9 per group). (C) FACS analysis for MCs number in EAT and SAT and MC number quantification in *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mice received subcutaneous (sc.) saline (n=8) or BMMC (n=8) adoptive transfers. Data are mean±SEM. *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001.

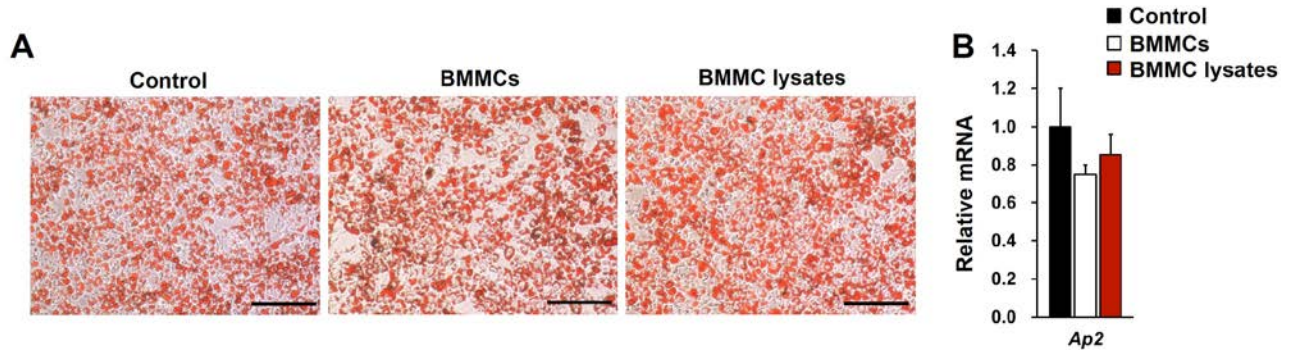


Figure S6. The effects of live BMMCs and BMMC lysates on SAT preadipocyte adipogenesis (related to Figure 4). **(A)** Oil-red O staining for browned-differentiated SAT adipocytes in the absence (Control) or presence of live BMMCs or BMMC lysates (n=4 per group); scale bar: 200 μ m. **(B)** Real-time PCR analysis of adipogenic gene *Ap2* (fatty acid binding protein-4) in adipocytes from different treatments (n=4 per group). Data are mean \pm SEM.

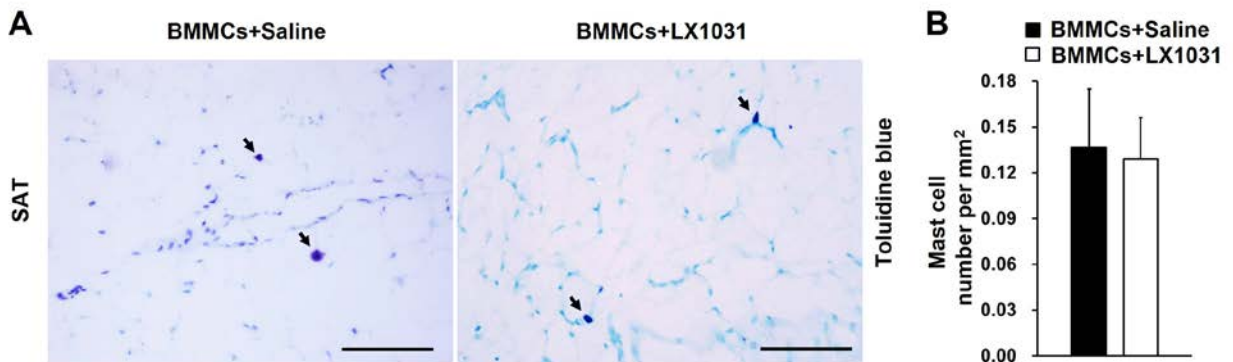


Figure S7. (related to Figure 5) **(A)/(B)** Toluidine blue staining of MCs in SAT sections and MC number quantification from *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mice that received subcutaneous BMMC reconstitution and treated by subcutaneous injection of saline or LX1031 (n=8 per group); scale bar: 100 μ m. Data are mean \pm SEM.

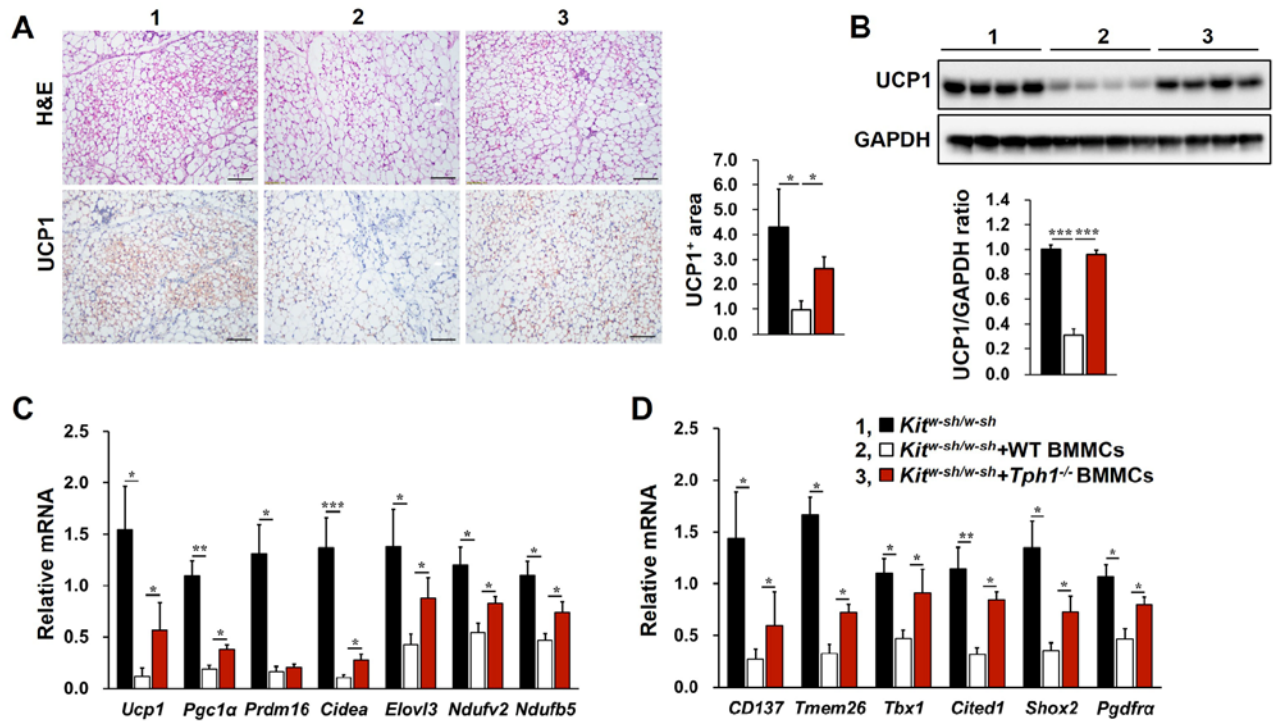


Figure S8. *Kit^{w-sh/w-sh}* mouse SAT browning after receiving without and with subcutaneous adoptive transfer of BMMCs from WT and *Tph1^{-/-}* mice (related to Figure 6). **(A)** Haematoxylin and eosin staining, UCP1 immunostaining and quantification of SAT sections from indicated groups of mice (n=8 per group). Representative images are shown to the left. **(B)** Immunoblot analysis of SAT UCP1 and quantification relative to GAPDH from indicated mice (n=6 per group). **(C)/(D)** Real time-PCR analysis of thermogenic and mitochondrial genes **(C)** and beige cell markers **(D)** in SAT from from different mice as indicated (n=8 per group). Data are mean±SEM. **P*<0.05, ***P*<0.01, ****P*<0.001. Scale bar: 100 μm.