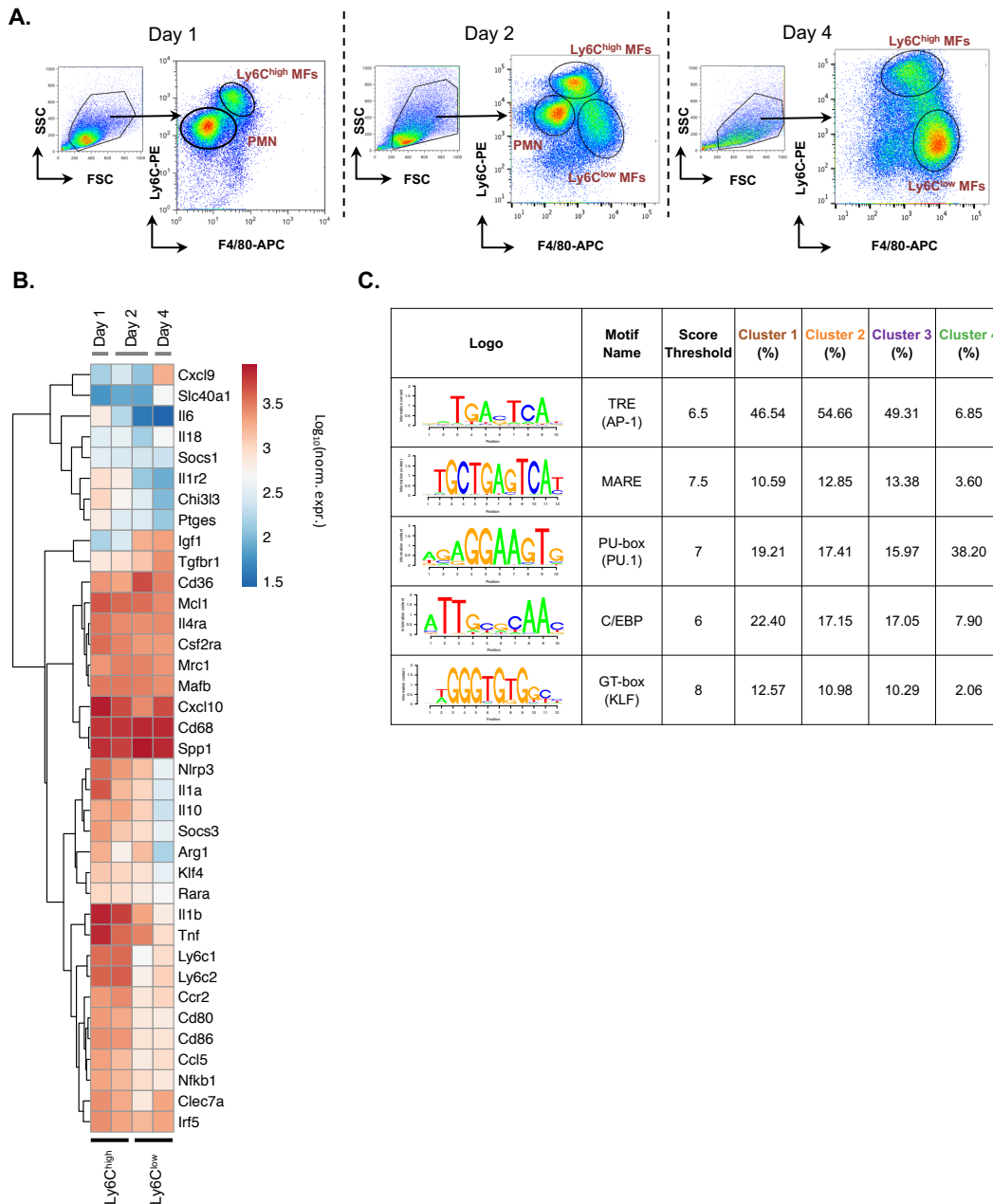
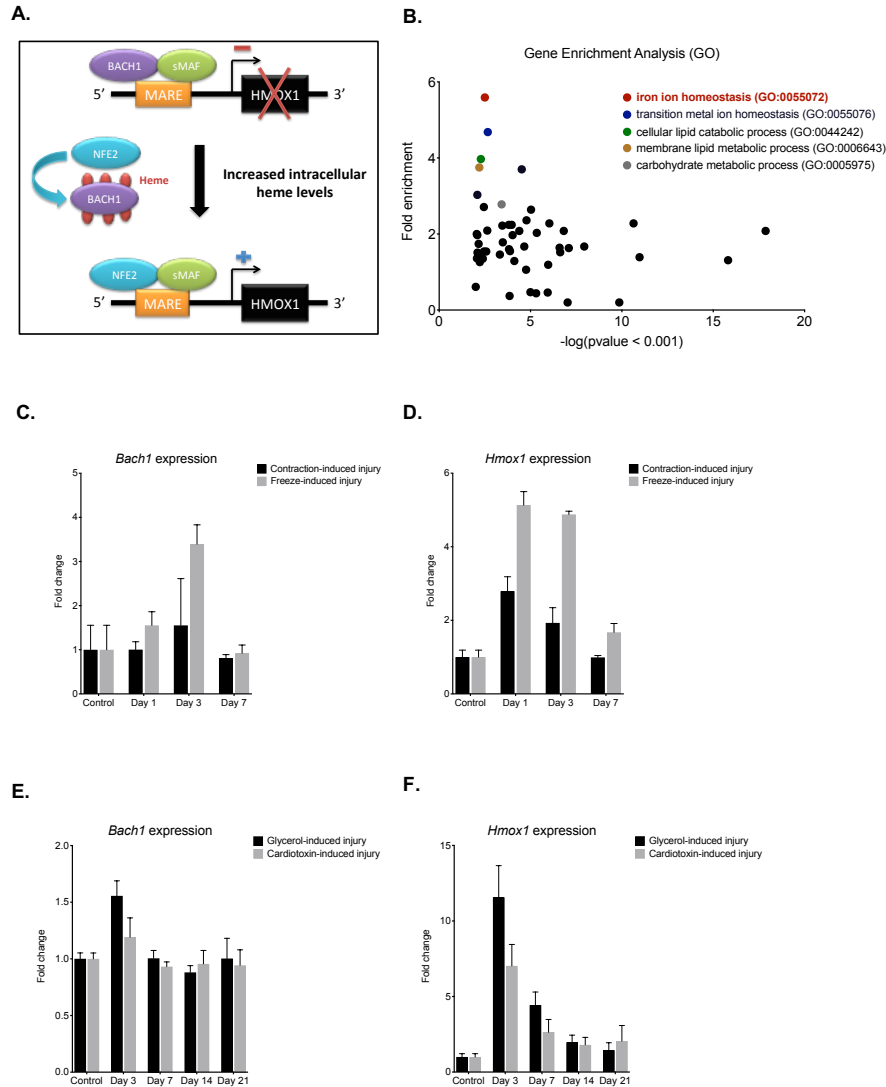


Supplementary Materials



Supplementary Fig. 1. Gating strategy and ATAC-seq based motif prediction in muscle-infiltrating macrophages.

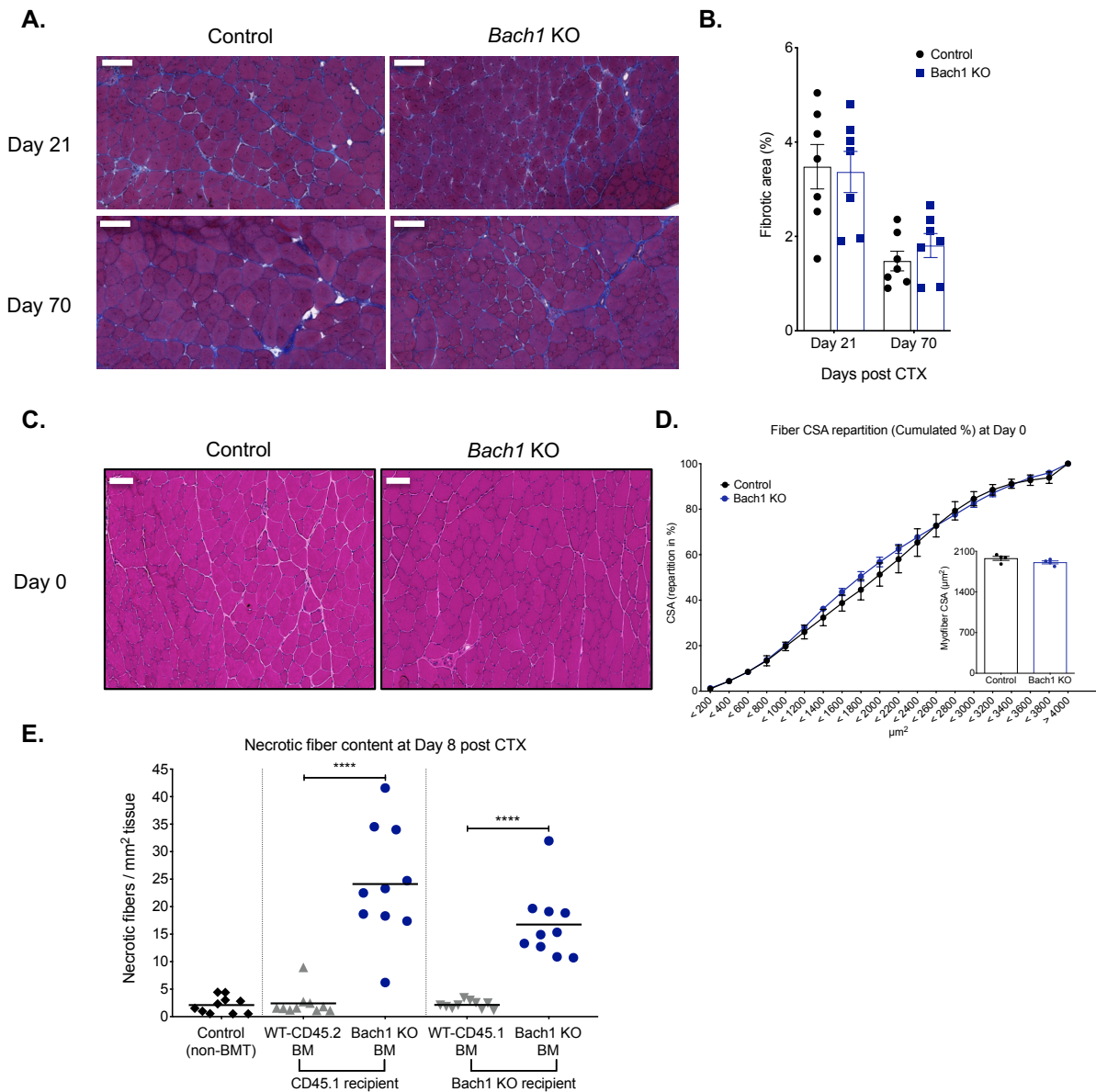
- FACS gating strategy for the analysis and sorting of macrophage subsets and neutrophils (PMNs) from CTX-injured muscles. Leukocytes were gated on FSC/SSC to discriminate live cells, and then markers for Ly6G, F4/80 and Ly6C were used to isolate them.
- Heatmap showing the expression pattern of key inflammation and regeneration-related genes by regenerating Ly6C^{high} and Ly6C^{low} muscle-derived macrophages at indicated timepoints post CTX injury. Expression values are visualized as log₁₀(normalized expression).
- Motif enrichment in each of the four ATAC-seq clusters from muscle-infiltrating macrophages. Top 5 motifs predicted are shown. The motif matrices used in the analysis are indicated along with percentages of regions having a given motif and the lowered score thresholds.



Supplementary Fig. 2. Gene enrichment analysis of muscle infiltrating macrophages reveals iron homeostasis related pathways.

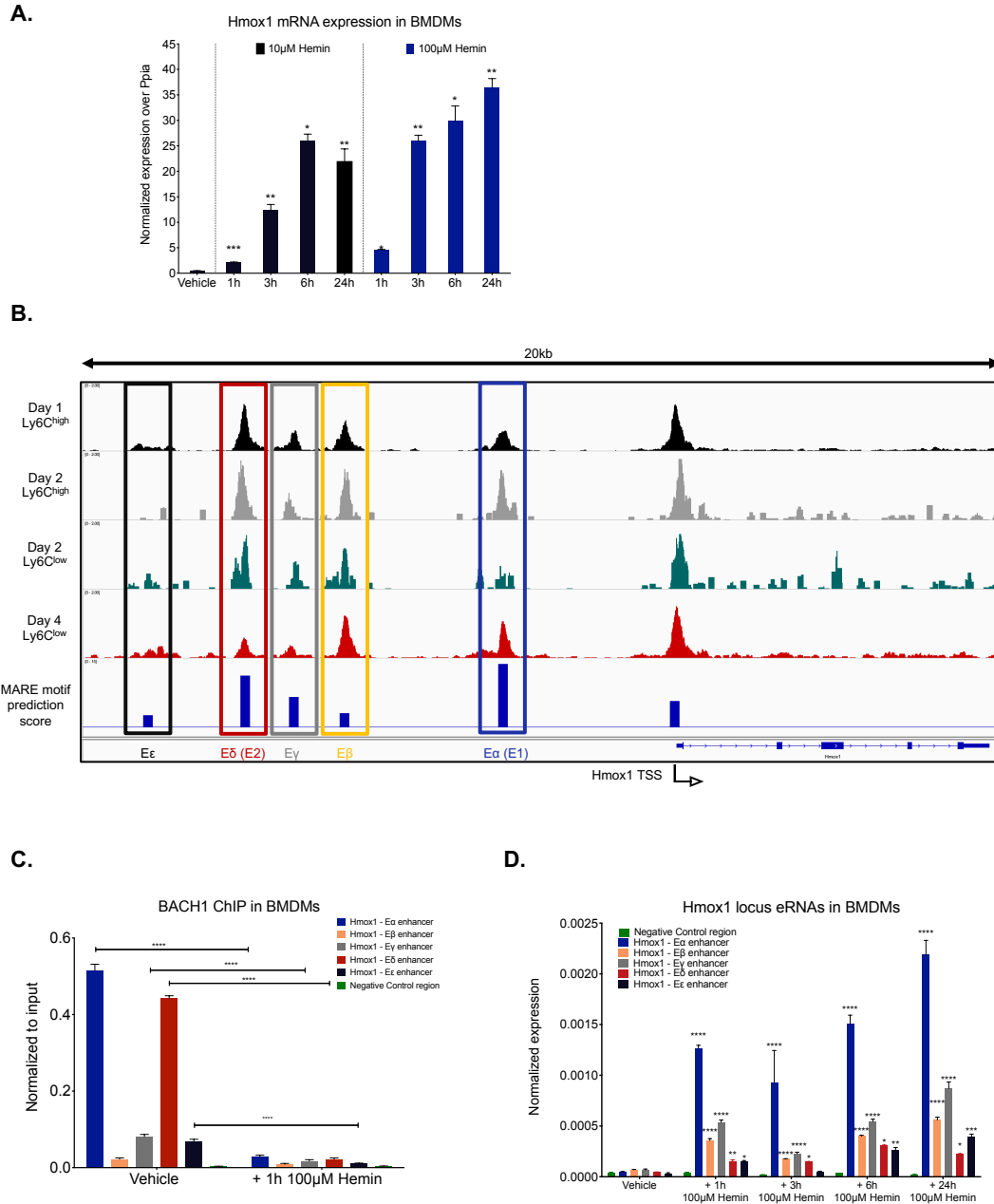
- Model describing the regulation of *Hmox1* by BACH1 and heme. Maf-related factors may serve as partners for BACH1. BACH1 occupies MARE enhancers to repress transcription of *Hmox1* gene under normal conditions. An increase in heme levels alleviates BACH1-mediated repression through inhibition of its DNA-binding activity and subsequent nuclear export, making MAREs available for activating Maf complexes.
- Gene enrichment/ontology (GO) analysis of the genes that are differentially expressed as inflammatory Day 1 $Ly6C^{high}$ macrophages differentiate into reparatory $Ly6C^{low}$ macrophages during muscle regeneration at day 4 post CTX injury. All terms shown have p value < 0.001.
- and D. mRNA expression of *Bach1* and *Hmox1* from publicly available microarray data in contraction and freeze-induced injured muscles at timepoints indicated. Bars indicate fold changes over control.
- and F. mRNA expression of *Bach1* and *Hmox1* from publicly available microarray data in glycerol and cardiotoxin-induced injured muscles at timepoints indicated. Bars indicate fold changes over control.

In all bar graphs, bars represent mean \pm SEM.



Supplementary Fig. 3. BACH1 ablation doesn't affect development or muscle growth in uninjured animals.

- Representative images of Masson's trichrome stained skeletal muscle from WT-control and *Bach1*-KO mice at day 21 and 70 post CTX injury. Scale bars in the upper left represent 100 μm .
- Fibrosis (connective tissue deposition) quantification in WT-control and *Bach1*-KO injured muscles expressed as the percentage of the area of fibrosis over total regeneration area (n=7 per group).
- Representative images of H&E stained skeletal muscle from WT-control and *Bach1*-KO mice prior any injury (day 0) are shown. Scale bars in the upper left represent 100 μm .
- Fiber size repartition of uninjured muscle from WT-control and *Bach1*-KO animals. Mean fiber CSA is shown in the inset (n=6 per group).
- The number of necrotic fibers relative to the regeneration area (in mm^2) at day 8 post CTX-injury in control (non-BMT) and BMT chimeric muscle sections are shown (n=10 per group). In all graphs, bars and lines represent mean \pm SEM.



Supplementary Fig. 4. Identification of novel regulatory elements around the *Hmox1* locus using ATAC-seq.

- Hmox1* mRNA expression in WT BMDMs treated with various doses of hemin at the indicated timepoints (n=6 per group).
- Identification of possible enhancers upstream the *Hmox1* TSS (12kb) using muscle-derived macrophages ATAC-seq data. Putative enhancers are labeled by boxes and in the lower panel the motif prediction score for MARE is represented for each enhancer.
- BACH1-ChIP on the putative enhancer regions in BMDMs reveal BACH1 binding in all marked enhancers around the *Hmox1* locus with *Eα* and *Eδ* being the strongest ones. Heme treatment for 1 hour alleviates BACH1 binding validating our results (n=6 per group).
- Hmox1* enhancer RNA measurements in BMDMs upon heme treatment at various timepoints (n=6 per group).

In all bar graphs, bars represent mean \pm SEM.