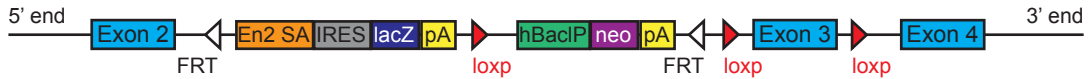
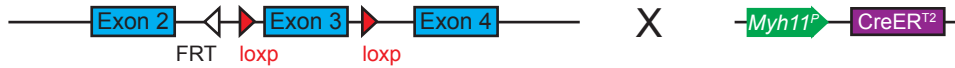


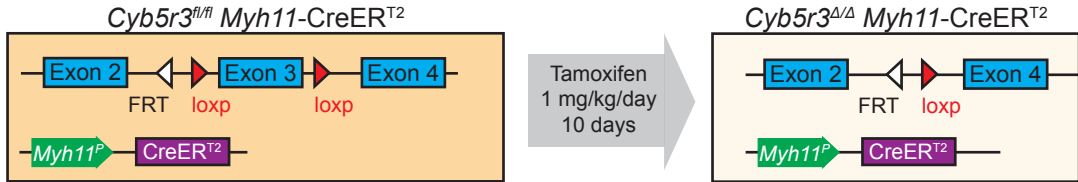
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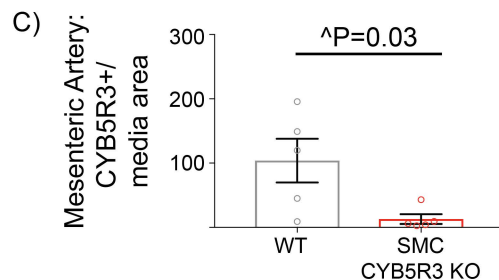
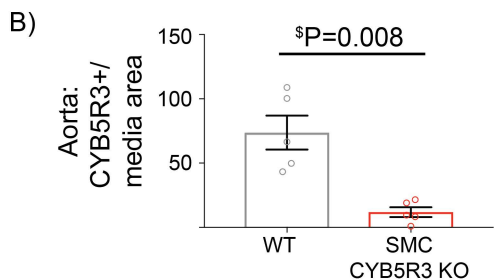
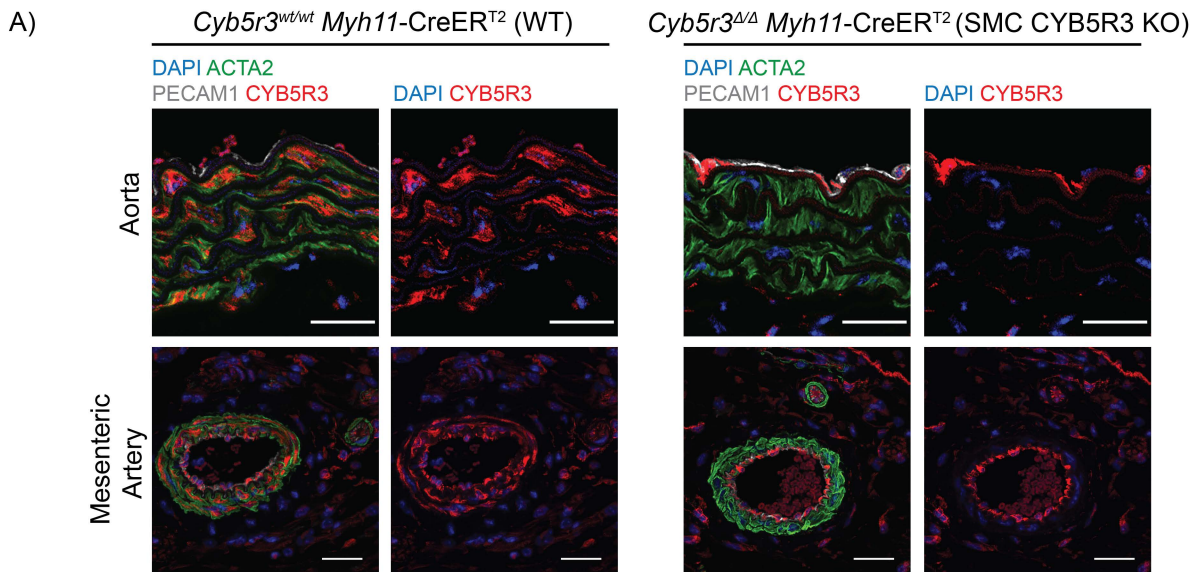
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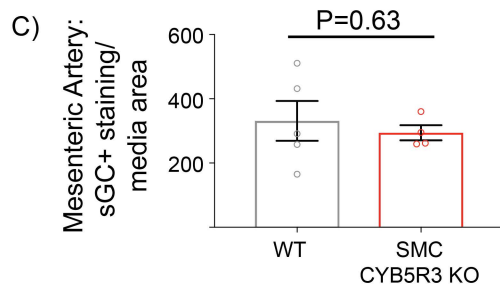
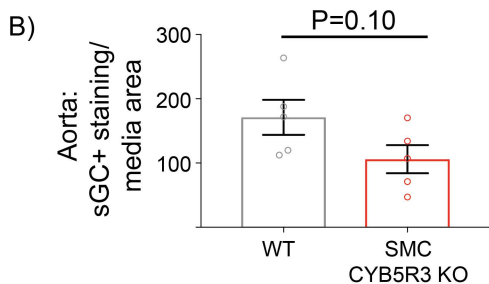
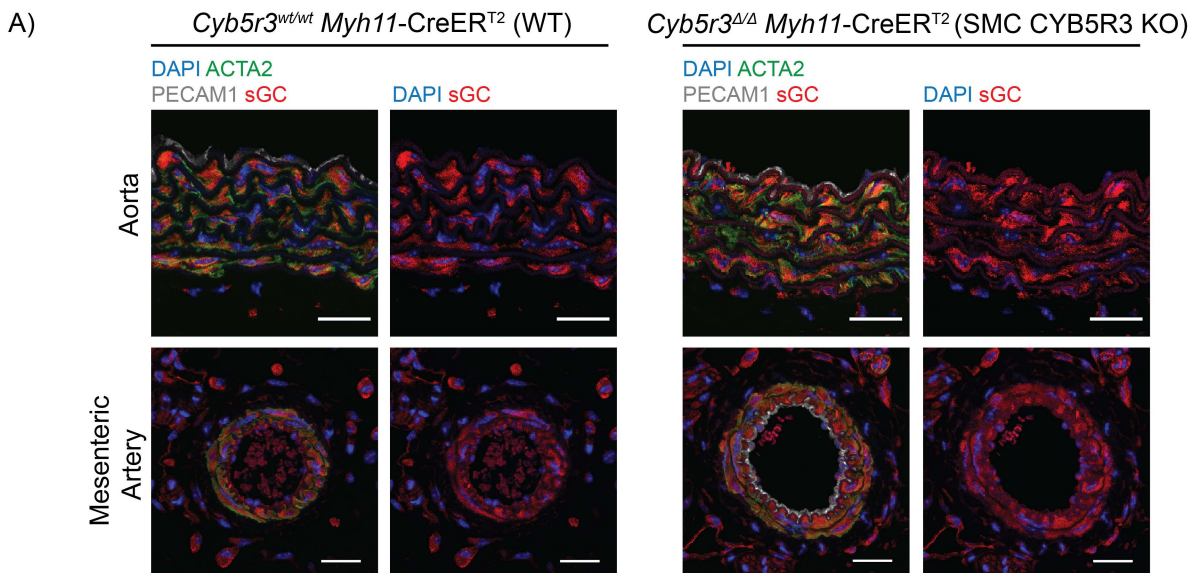
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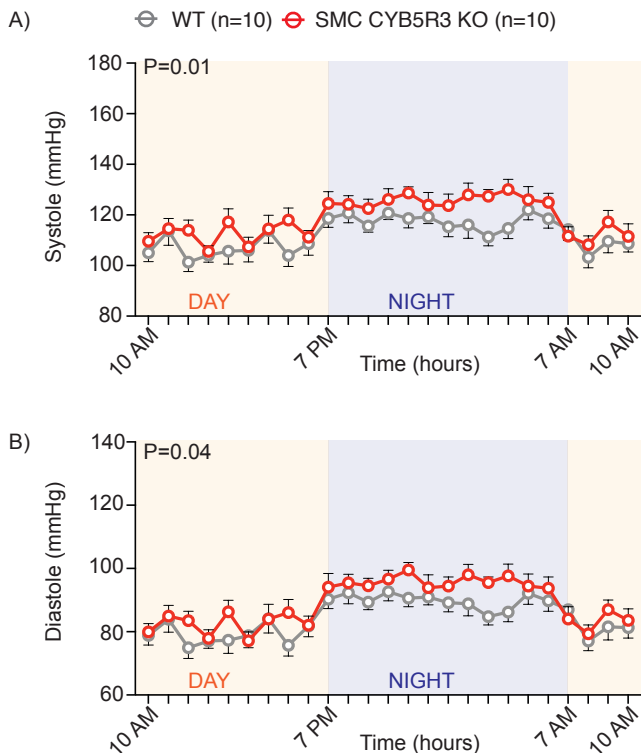
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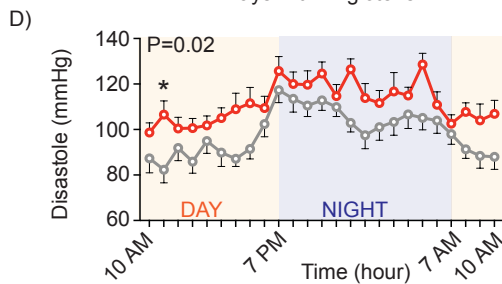
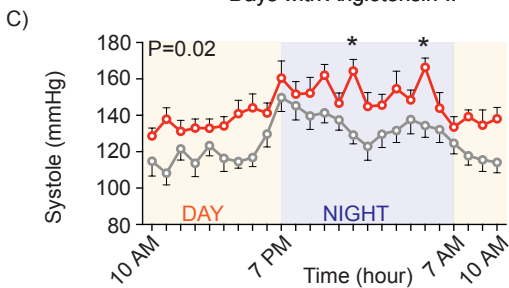
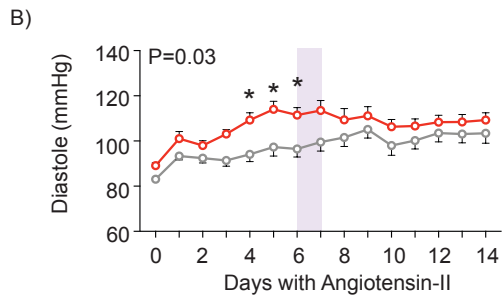
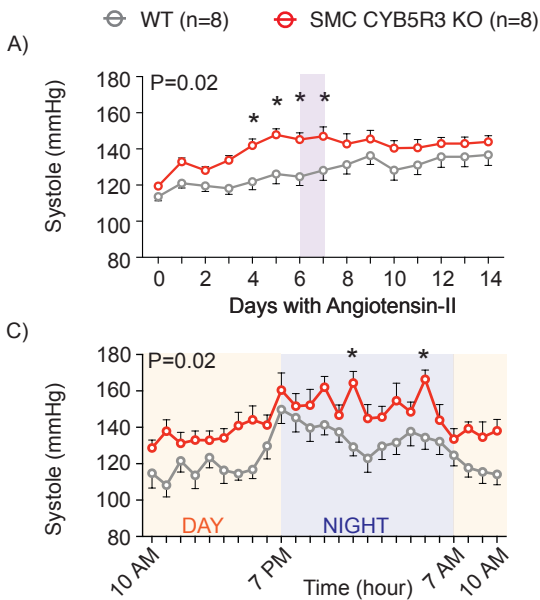
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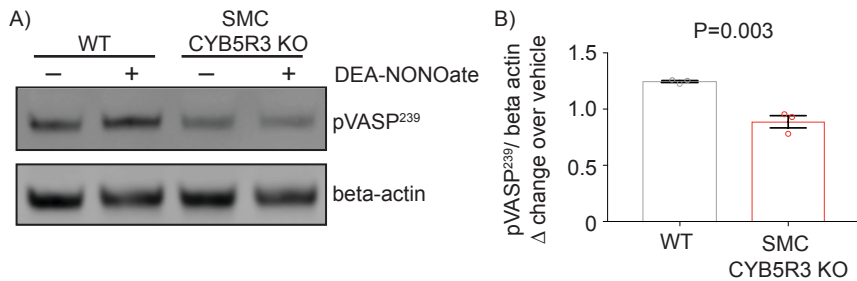
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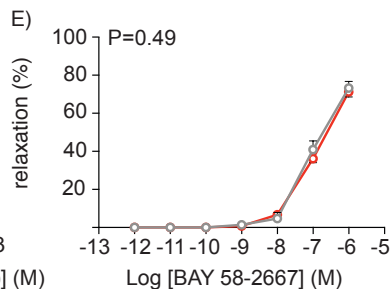
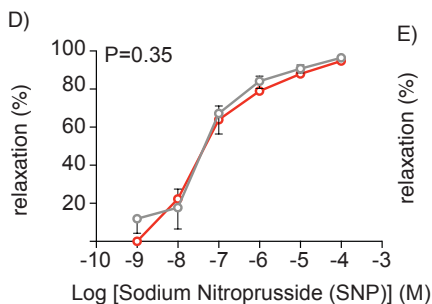
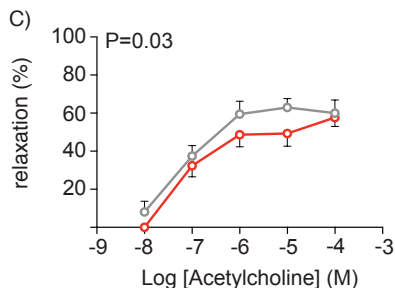
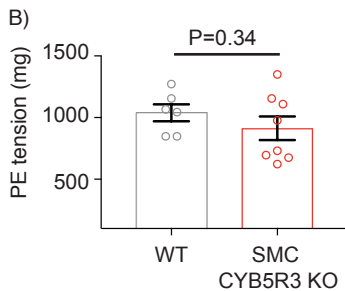
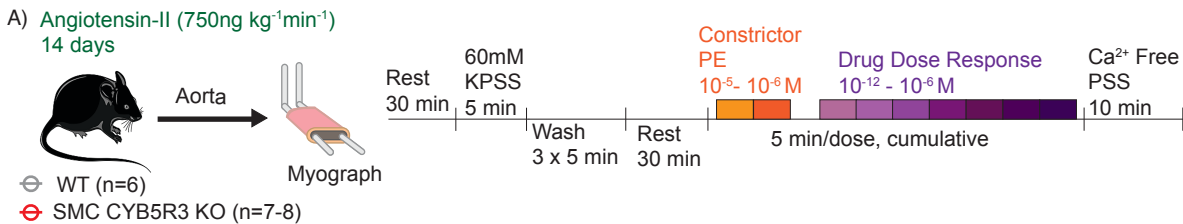
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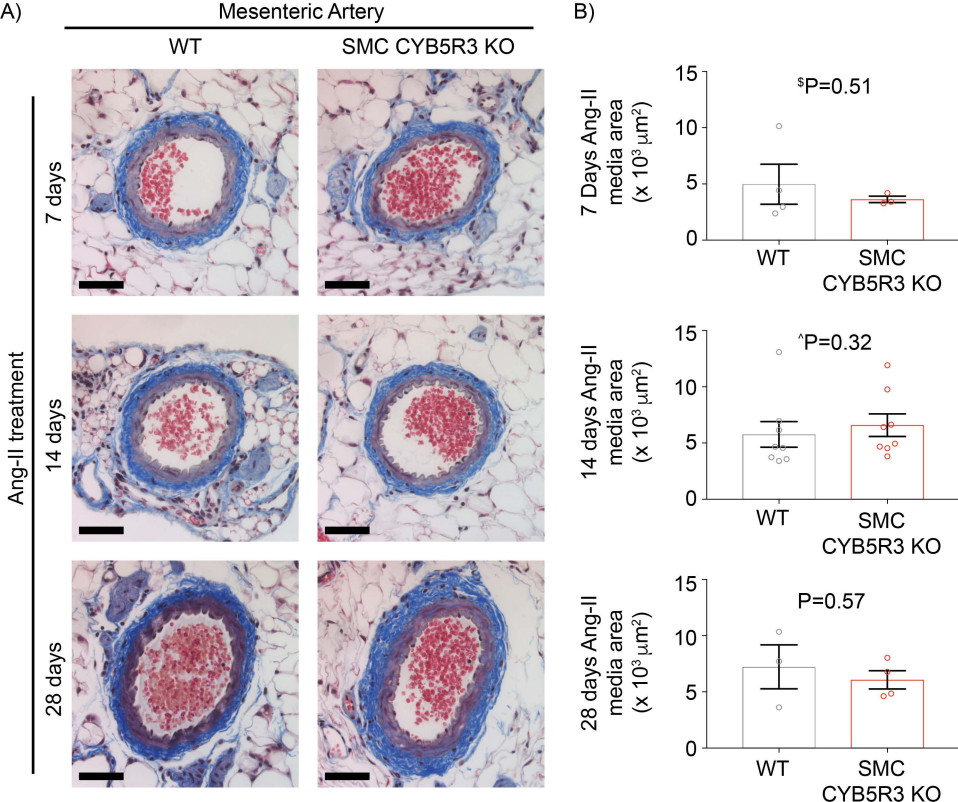
Supplemental Figure 5: Ang-II treated SMC CYB5R3 KO mice have significantly increased systolic and diastolic blood pressures compared to WT mice. A-B) SMC CYB5R3 KO mice (n= 8, red) averaged significantly elevated systolic and diastolic blood pressure per day for the first week of Ang-II treatment compared to WT mice (n=8, gray). Shaded regions highlight Days 6-7 of Ang-II where peak differences were observed between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice. C-D) The 24-hour recording of systolic and diastolic blood pressure of Days 6-7 of Ang-II treatment that is shaded in A-B. A-D) P value represents significance by two-way repeated measures ANOVA across genotype with * showing $P < 0.05$ as determined by post-hoc Sidak multiple comparison tests. Error bars are SEM.



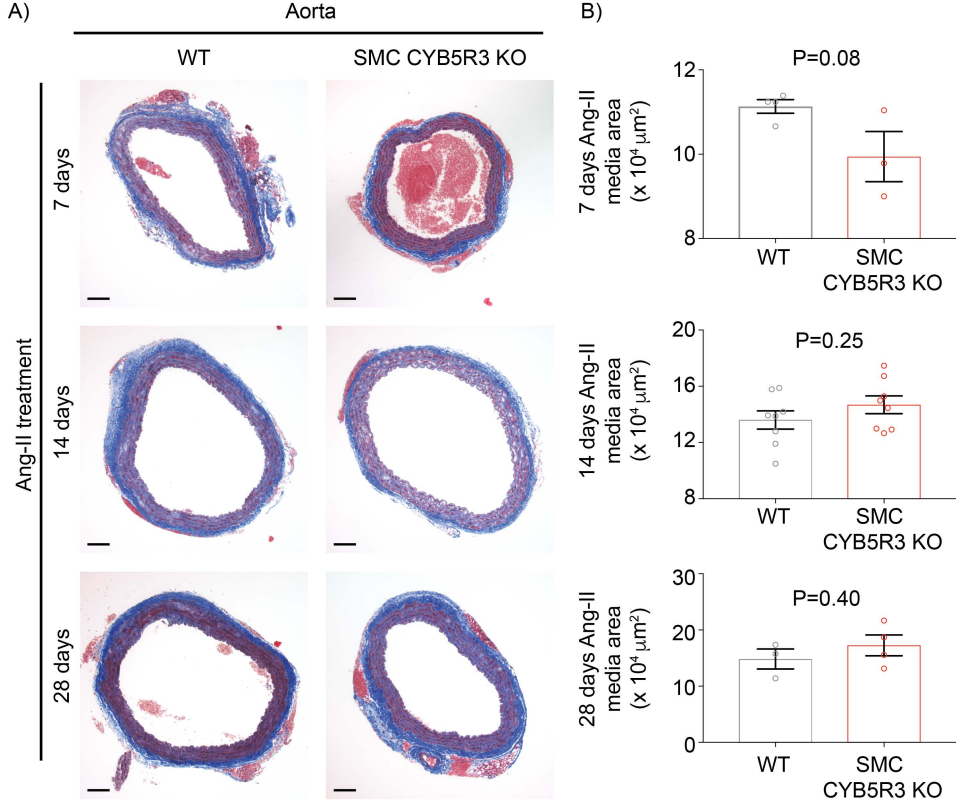
Supplemental Figure 6: Mesenteric arteries from 14 days Ang-II treated SMC CYB5R3 KO mice have less NO- induced pVASP²³⁹ compared to WT mice. A) Representative Western blot image of 14 days Ang-II WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mesenteric arteries treated with or without 100 μ M DEA-NONOate. B) Western blot quantification of pVASP²³⁹ per actin normalized to untreated control (n=3/ group). P value determined by unpaired two-tailed t-test. Error bars are SEM.



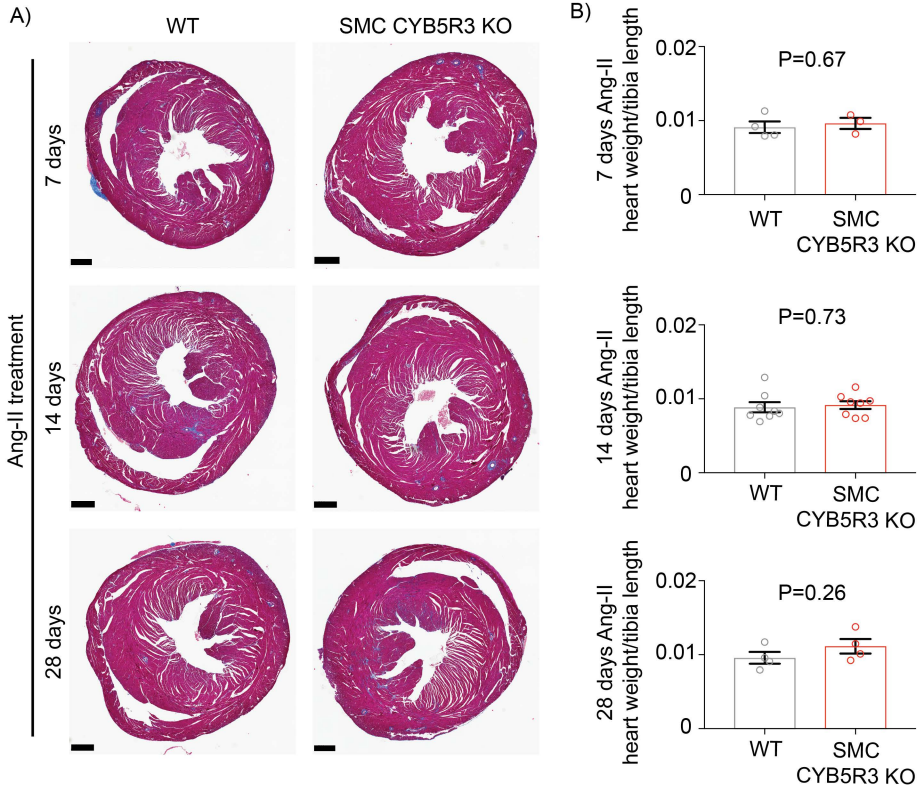
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Supplemental Figure 8: No gross differences in mesenteric artery remodeling or fibrosis observed between Ang-II treated WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice treated with Ang-II. A) Representative images of WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mesenteric arteries stained with Masson's trichrome after 7 days ($n=3-4/$ group), 14 days ($n=8/$ group), and 28 days ($n=3-4/$ group) Ang-II treatment show no gross differences in fibrosis between groups at any point of treatment. B) No significant differences were observed in remodeling measured by media area between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO irrespective of length of Ang-II treatment. P values represent unpaired two-tailed *t*-test. $^{\$}$ P values represent unpaired two-tailed *t*-test with Welch's correction. $^{\wedge}$ P values represent Mann Whitney *U* test. Error bars are SEM. Scale bars are 100 μm .

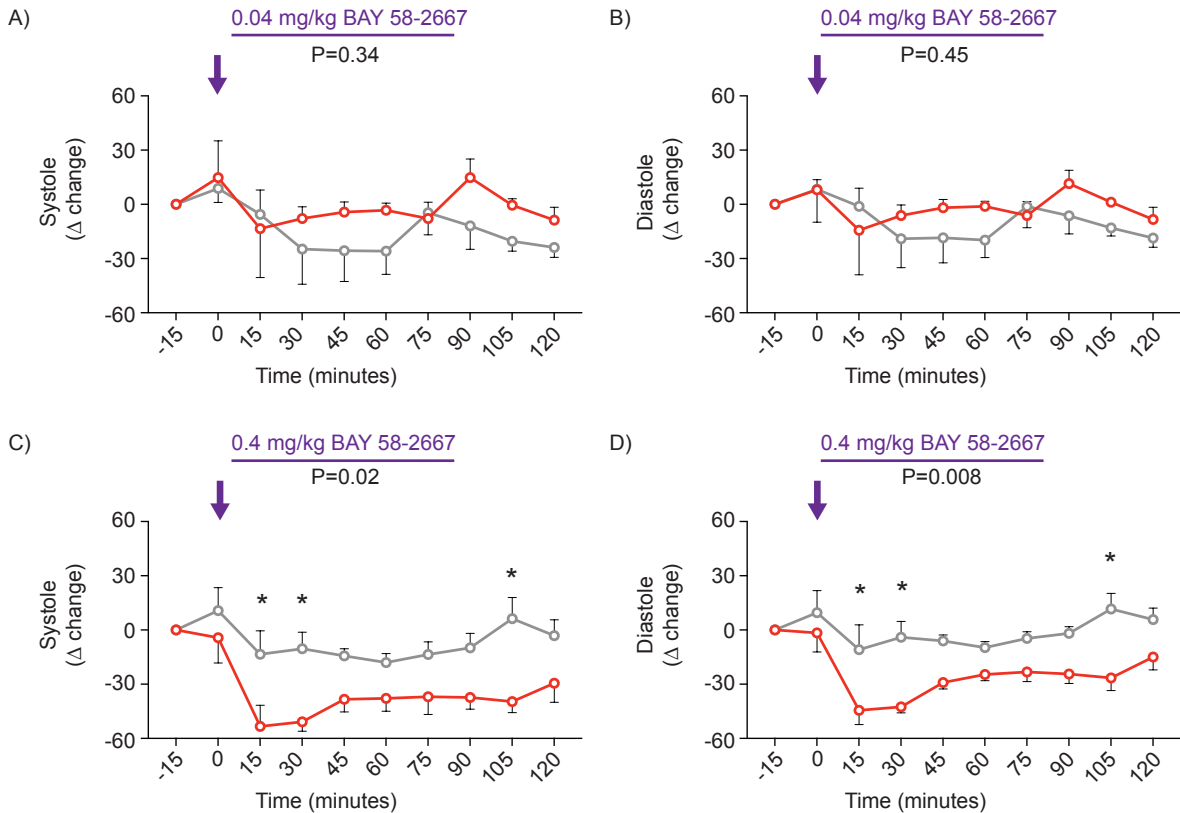


Supplemental Figure 9: No gross differences in fibrosis or remodeling between 14 day Ang-II treated WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice aorta. **A)** Representative images of WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO aortas stained with Masson's trichrome after 7 days (n=3-4/ group), 14 days (n=8/ group), and 28 days (n=3-4/ group) Ang-II treatment show no gross differences in fibrosis. **B)** In addition, there were no significant differences in media area between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice at any point of Ang-II treatment. P values represent unpaired two-tailed *t*-test. Error bars are SEM. Scale bars are 100 μm.



Supplemental Figure 10: No gross differences in cardiac fibrosis or hypertrophy were observed between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice treated with Ang-II. A) Representative images of WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO hearts stained with Masson's trichrome after 7 days (n=3-4/group), 14 days (n=8/group), and 28 days (n=4/group) Ang-II treatment show no gross differences in intra-cardiomyocyte fibrosis. B) No significant differences were seen in cardiac hypertrophy (heart weight /tibia length) between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO mice treated with Ang-II for any length of time. P values represent unpaired two-tailed *t*-test. Error bars are SEM. Scale bars are 500 μ m.

○ WT (n=4) ○ SMC CYB5R3 KO (n=4)



Supplemental Figure 11: Acute BAY 58-2667 injection in vivo shows SMC CYB5R3 KO mice are more sensitive than WT mice to BAY 58-2667 blood pressure lowering effects at the 0.4 mg/kg dose. 0.04mg/kg BAY 58-2667 intraperitoneal injection (time 0 minutes, purple arrow) showed no significant difference in change in A) systolic pressure or B) diastolic pressure between WT (n=4) and SMC CYB5R3 KO (n=4) mice. The higher 0.4 mg/kg BAY 58-2667 injection (time 0 minutes, purple arrow) resulted in a significant decrease in change in C) systolic pressure and D) diastolic pressure in SMC CYB5R3 KO mice as compared to WT mice. This indicates SMC CYB5R3 KO mice are more sensitive than WT to BAY 58-2667 blood pressure lowering effects at the 0.4 mg/kg dose. A-D) P value represents significance between WT and SMC CYB5R3 KO by two-way repeated measures ANOVA with * representing P value < 0.05 by post-hoc Sidak multiple comparison tests. Error bars are SEM.