

Figure S1. Loss of ventilatory acclimatisation to hypoxia in male mice treated with 3 mg kg^{-1} PT2385.

(A) Graphs show changes in minute ventilation in response to an acute (5 min) challenge with $10\% \text{ O}_2/3\% \text{ CO}_2$ (open bars) in mice before (Baseline) and following twice daily treatment with 3 mg kg^{-1} PT2385 (or vehicle), beginning 24 h before 7 d exposure to hypoxia (H, $10\% \text{ O}_2$) and continuing throughout (to a total of 8 days treatment) ($n = 4$). (B) Graph shows acute ventilatory responses (AVRs) to challenges with $10\% \text{ O}_2/3\% \text{ CO}_2$, quantified from the minute ventilation data shown in (A). Data were analysed by a two-way repeated measures ANOVA with Baseline recordings removed from statistical analysis (P values shown in Table 1); followed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed test for which the significance is reported in the graph, * $P < 0.05$.

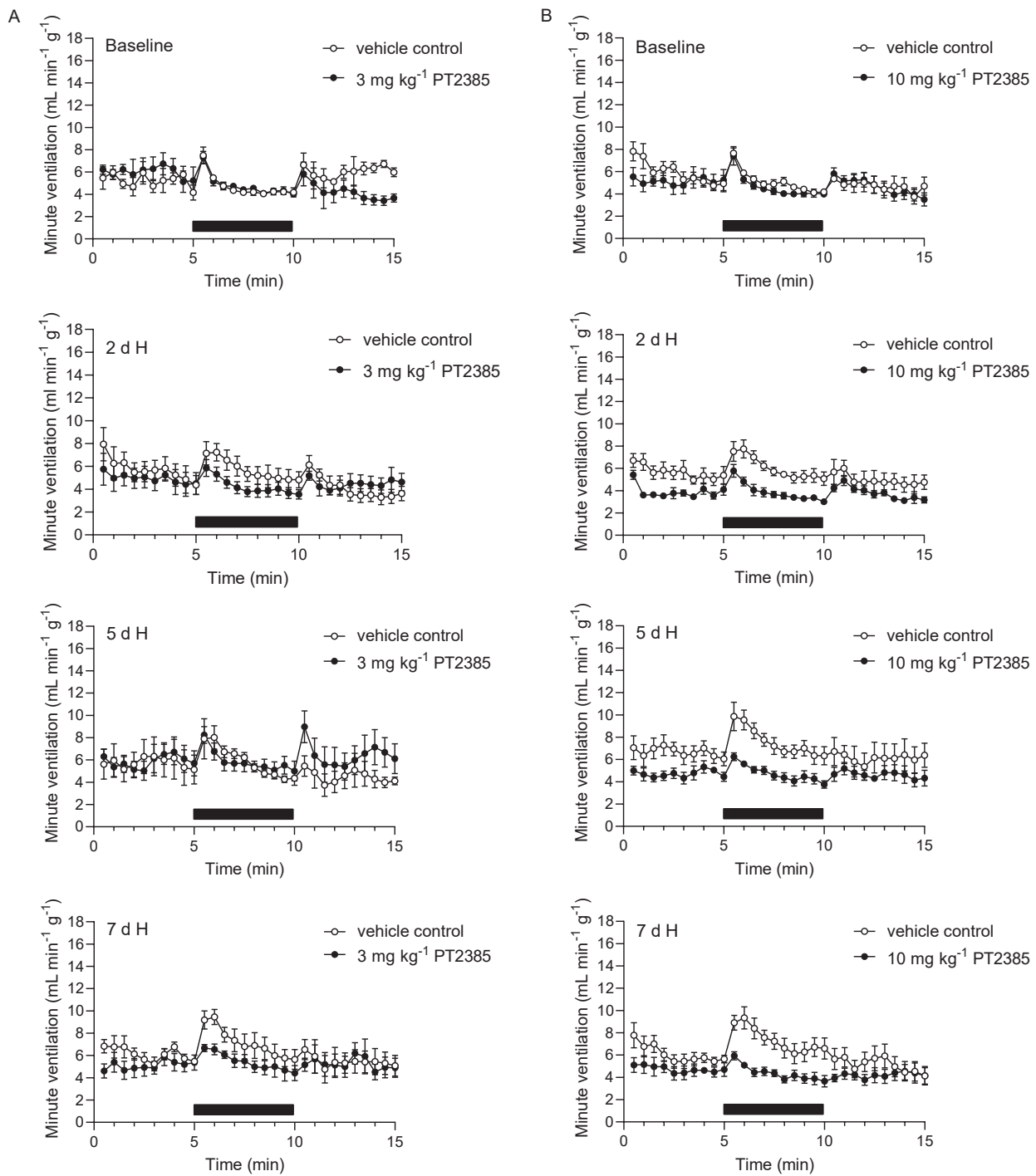


Figure S2. Effects of PT2385 on enhanced ventilatory sensitivity to hypoxia in male mice as measured by acute challenge with 10 % oxygen.

Graphs show changes in minute ventilation in response to an acute (5 min) challenge with 10 % O₂ (black bars) in mice before (Baseline) and following twice daily treatment with (A) 3 or (B) 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle), beginning 24 h before 7 d exposure to hypoxia (H, 10 % oxygen) and continuing throughout (to a total of 8 days treatment)(*n* = 4, 3 mg kg⁻¹; *n* = 6, 10 mg kg⁻¹).

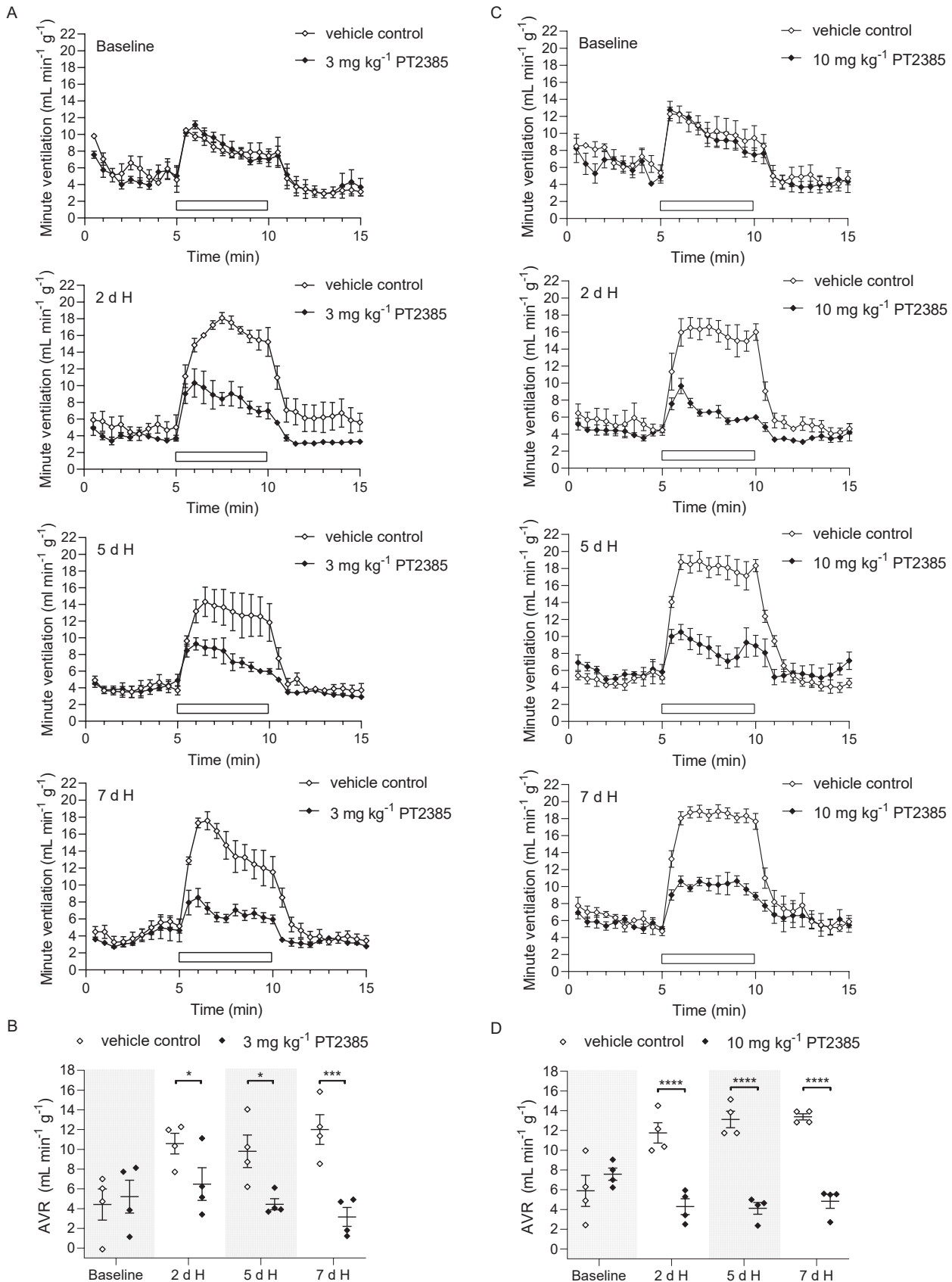


Figure S3. Loss of ventilatory acclimatisation to hypoxia in female mice treated with PT2385.

Graphs show changes in minute ventilation in response to an acute (5 min) challenge with 10 % O_2 / 3 % CO_2 (open bars) in mice before (Baseline) and following twice daily treatment with (A) 3 or (C) 10 mg kg^{-1} PT2385 (or vehicle), beginning 24 h before 7 d exposure to hypoxia (H, 10 % oxygen) and continuing throughout (to a total of 8 d treatment)($n = 4$). (B, D) Graphs show acute ventilatory responses (AVRs) to challenges with 10 % O_2 / 3 % CO_2 , quantified from the minute ventilation data shown in (A, C). Data analysed by a two-way ANOVA matched by the time factor and with Baseline recordings removed from statistical analysis (P values shown in Table S1); followed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests for which the significance is reported in the graph, * $P < 0.05$, *** $P < 0.001$, **** $P < 0.0001$.

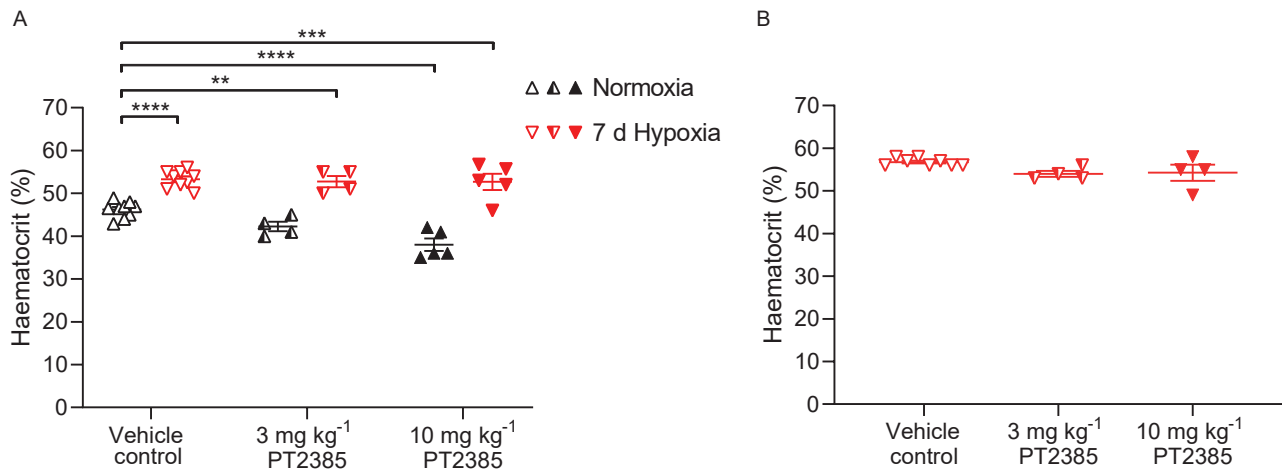


Figure S4. Changes in haematocrit in wild-type mice treated with 3 or 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 and maintained in normoxia or exposed to sustained hypoxia.

Graphs show % haematocrit in the blood of wild-type (A) male and (B) female mice treated with 3 or 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 beginning 24 h before, and continuing throughout, 7 d exposure to hypoxia (10 % oxygen), or normoxia (to a total of 8 d treatment). Data were analysed by a two-way (males) or one-way (females) ANOVA; followed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, **** $P < 0.0001$.

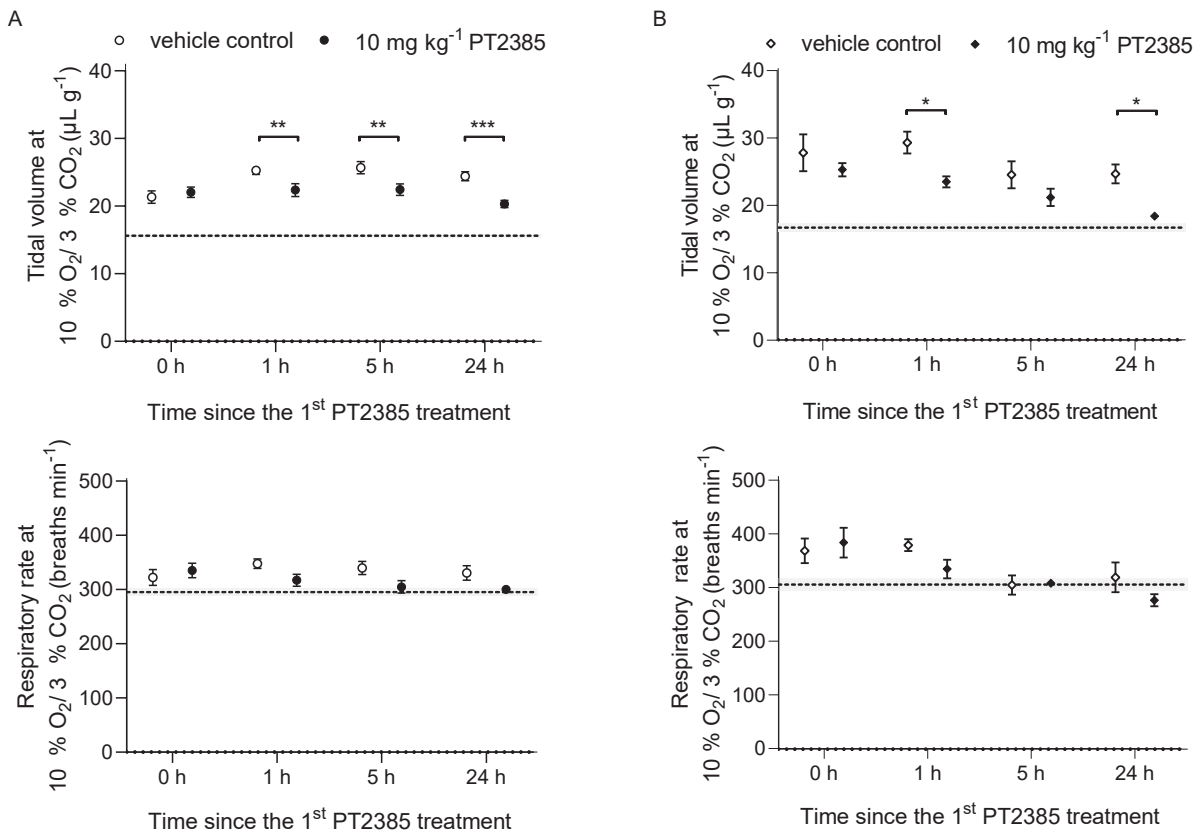


Figure S5. Changes in tidal volume and respiratory rate in unacclimatised PT2385-treated mice.

Graphs show average tidal volume (top panels) and respiratory rate (bottom panels) during 5 min challenges with 10 % O₂/ 3 % CO₂. Measurements were made before (0 h) and 1, 5 and 24 h after the first 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle) dose in **(A)** male ($n = 15$) and **(B)** female mice ($n = 4$); second dose of PT2385 was given immediately after the 5 h measurements. Data were analysed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$. Dotted line shows average resting tidal volume or respiratory rate in air across all time-points and treatment groups, \pm SEM (shaded area).

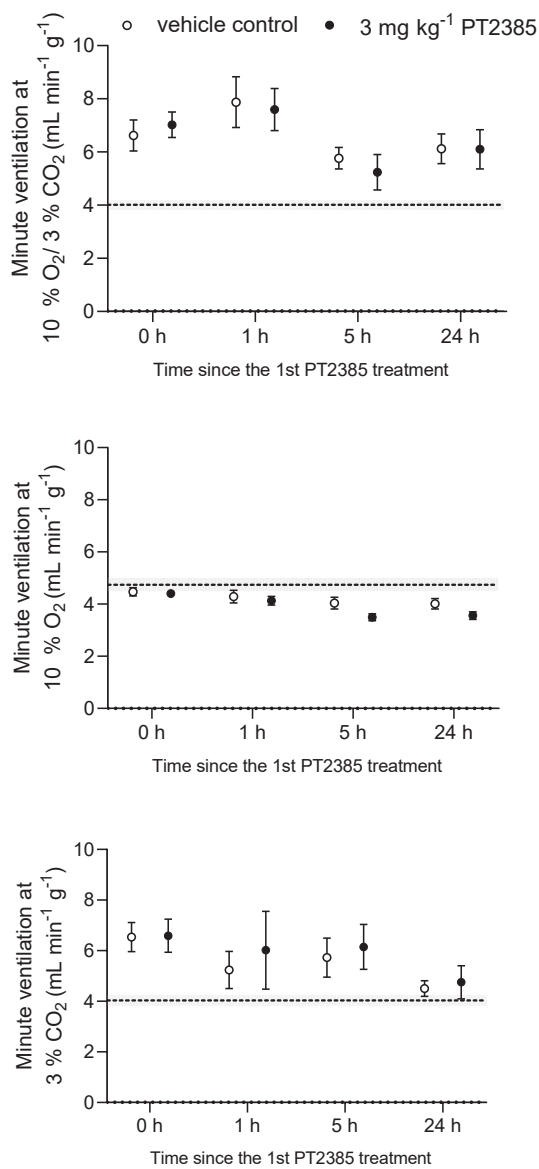


Figure S6. Effects of 3 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 on ventilatory sensitivity in unacclimatised male mice.

Graphs show average minute ventilation during 5 min challenges with 10 % O₂/3 % CO₂ (upper panel), 10 % O₂ (middle panel) or 3 % CO₂ (lower panel). Measurements were made before (0 h) and 1, 5 and 24 h after the first 3 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle) dose (*n* = 8); second dose of PT2385 was given immediately after the 5 h measurements. Data were analysed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests with no significant effects detected. Dotted lines show the average resting minute ventilation in air prior to the acute gas challenge, across all time-points and treatment groups depicted in that graph, ± SEM (shaded area).

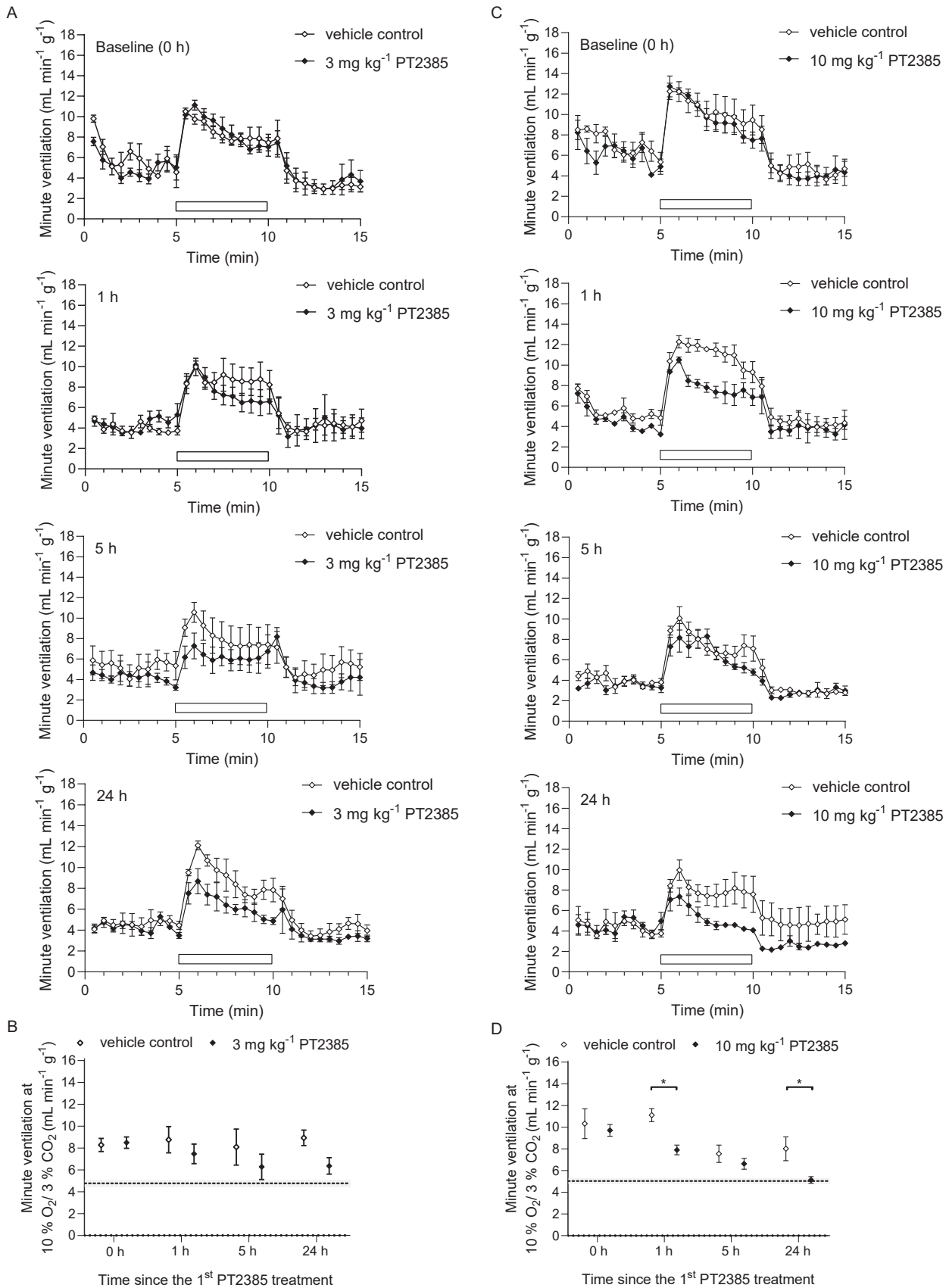


Figure S7. Rapid effects of PT2385 on acute ventilatory responses to hypoxia in wild-type female mice.

Graphs show changes in minute ventilation in response to an acute (5 min) challenge with $10\% \text{ O}_2 / 3\% \text{ CO}_2$ (open bars). Measurements were made before (Baseline, 0 h) and 1, 5 and 24 h after the first (A) 3 or (C) 10 mg kg^{-1} PT2385 (or vehicle) dose ($n = 4$); second dose of PT2385 was given immediately after the 5 h measurements. (B, D) Graphs show average minute ventilation during 5 min challenges with $10\% \text{ O}_2 / 3\% \text{ CO}_2$ (calculated from data in A, C). Data were analysed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests, * $P < 0.05$. Dotted lines show the average resting minute ventilation in air prior to the acute gas challenge, across all time-points and treatment groups depicted in that graph, \pm SEM (shaded area).

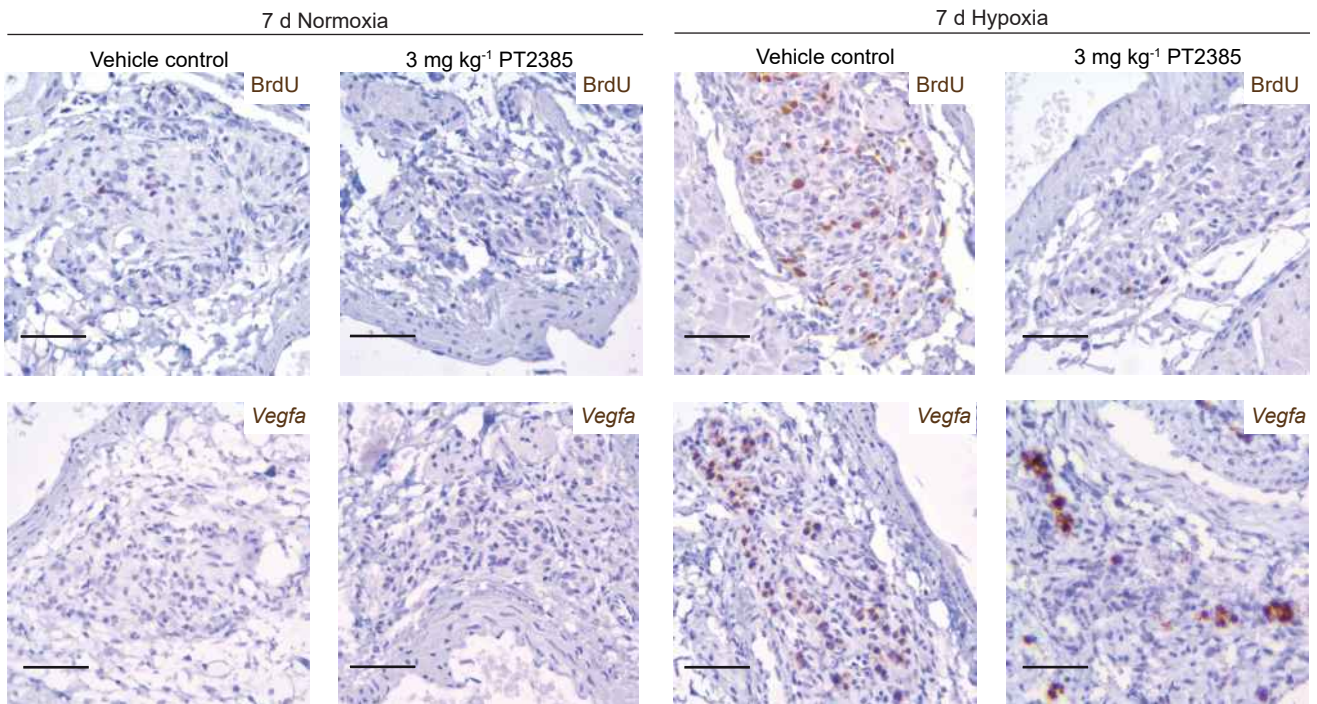


Figure S8. Responses to hypoxia in carotid bodies of male mice treated with 3 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385.

Representative images of immunostaining for BrdU and in situ hybridisation for *Vegfa* mRNA in carotid bodies of mice treated twice daily with 3 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle) beginning 24 h before, and continuing throughout, 7 d exposure to hypoxia (10 % oxygen) or normoxia (to a total of 8 d treatment). Number of BrdU+ cells/ CB area and *Vegfa* mRNA+ CB area quantified in Figure 4A. Scale bars represent 50 μm.

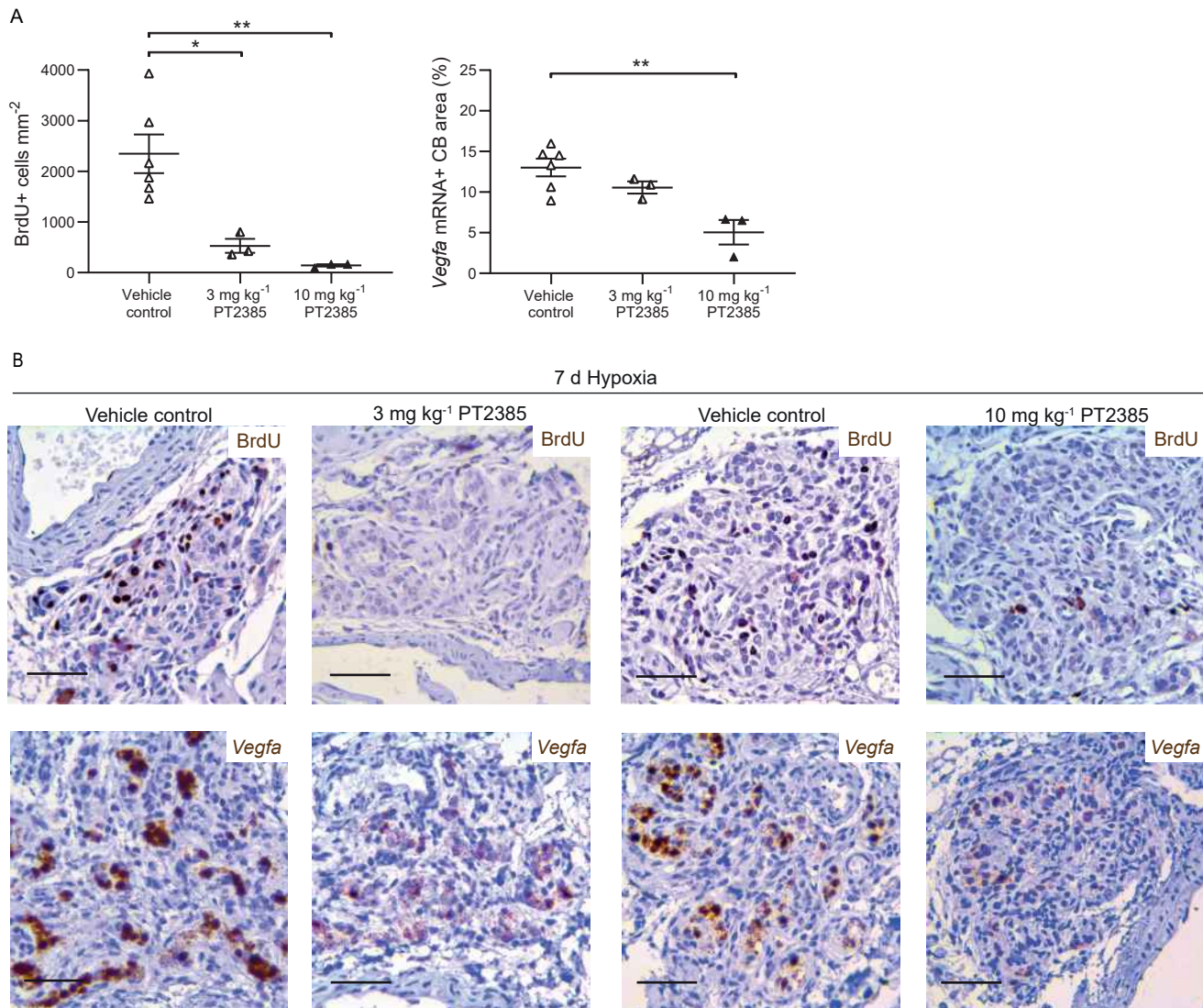


Figure S9. Effects of PT2385 on cellular responses to hypoxia in the carotid bodies of female mice.

(A) Morphometry and (B) representative images of carotid bodies (CBs) from wild-type female mice exposed to 7 d hypoxia (10 % oxygen) and treated twice daily with 3 or 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle) for 8 d. (A) Quantification of BrdU+ cells per mm² (left panel) and *Vegfa* mRNA+ CB area of the CB (right panel). Data were analysed by one-way ANOVAs followed by Holm-Sidak's multiple comparisons two-tailed tests, for which significance is reported in the graphs, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$. (B) Immunostaining for BrdU and *Vegfa* mRNA in situ hybridisation. Scale bars represent 50 µm.

Table S1. Effect of PT2385 on ventilatory acclimatisation to hypoxia in wild-type female

mice.

		AVR (mL min ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹)									
		3 mg kg ⁻¹ PT2385			10 mg kg ⁻¹ PT2385						
		Vehicle control		3 mg kg ⁻¹ PT2385		ANOVA <i>P</i> value	Vehicle control		10 mg kg ⁻¹ PT2385		ANOVA <i>P</i> value
Time-point		Mean	SEM	Mean	SEM		Mean	SEM	Mean	SEM	
10% O ₂	Baseline	-0.35 ± 0.31		0.34 ± 0.99		-0.52 ± 1.00		-0.25 ± 0.77			
	2 d H	1.85 ± 0.60		0.72 ± 0.38		1.34 ± 0.53		-0.10 ± 0.66			
	5 d H	2.74 ± 0.91		0.19 ± 0.65	0.976	3.33 ± 1.35		-1.90 ± 0.34		0.370	
	7 d H	3.51 ± 1.41		-1.01 ± 1.21		3.88 ± 0.74		-0.74 ± 0.39			
	ANOVA <i>P</i> value			0.002		0.301		0.001		0.043	
10% O ₂ / 3% CO ₂	Baseline	4.42 ± 1.58		5.22 ± 1.66		5.89 ± 1.58		7.57 ± 0.61			
	2 d H	10.58 ± 1.04		6.49 ± 1.65		11.75 ± 1.03		4.29 ± 0.80			
	5 d H	9.81 ± 1.64		4.44 ± 0.56	0.564	13.12 ± 0.84		4.12 ± 0.59		0.342	
	7 d H	12.01 ± 1.51		3.16 ± 0.96		13.38 ± 0.31		4.84 ± 0.71			
	ANOVA <i>P</i> value			0.001		0.212		<0.001		0.553	
3% CO ₂	Baseline	6.97 ± 1.04		6.83 ± 1.66		5.29 ± 0.62		5.79 ± 0.88			
	2 d H	2.92 ± 0.30		2.41 ± 0.24		4.63 ± 0.79		2.94 ± 0.87			
	5 d H	5.01 ± 0.80		2.47 ± 0.68	0.125	6.63 ± 0.89		3.95 ± 0.24		0.287	
	7 d H	4.80 ± 0.87		2.65 ± 0.56		4.98 ± 0.71		3.71 ± 1.40			
	ANOVA <i>P</i> value			0.030		0.193		0.032		0.736	

Acute ventilatory responses (AVRs) of wild-type female mice before (Baseline) and following twice daily treatment with 3 mg kg⁻¹ or 10 mg kg⁻¹ PT2385 (or vehicle), beginning 24 h before 7 d hypoxia (H, 10 % oxygen) and continuing throughout (to a total of 8 d treatment). Two-way repeated measures ANOVAs (right hand column *P* value = time factor; bottom row *P* value = drug factor; right column, bottom row *P* value = time/ drug interaction factor), matched by the time factor, with the Baseline (prior to PT2385) recordings excluded from statistical analysis; *n* = 4. *P* < 0.05 comparisons are highlighted in bold.