

## Supplementary Information

### PPDPF alleviates hepatic steatosis through inhibition of mTOR signaling

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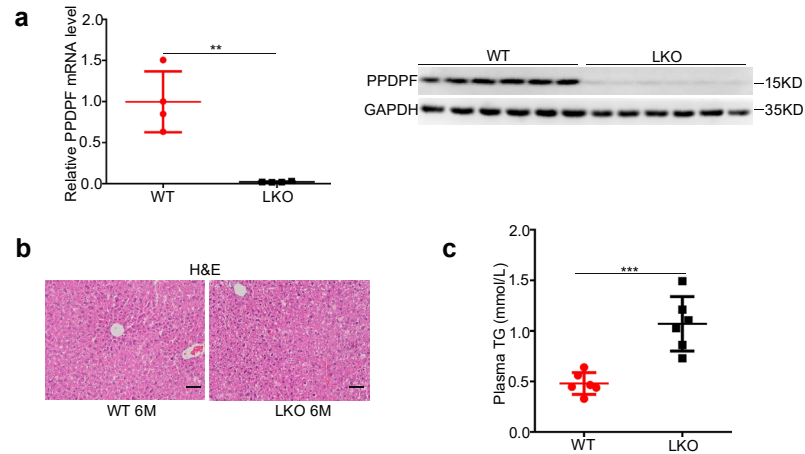
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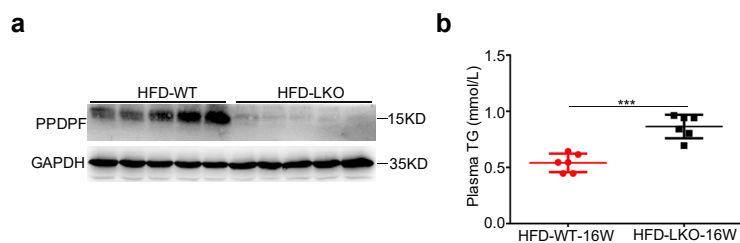
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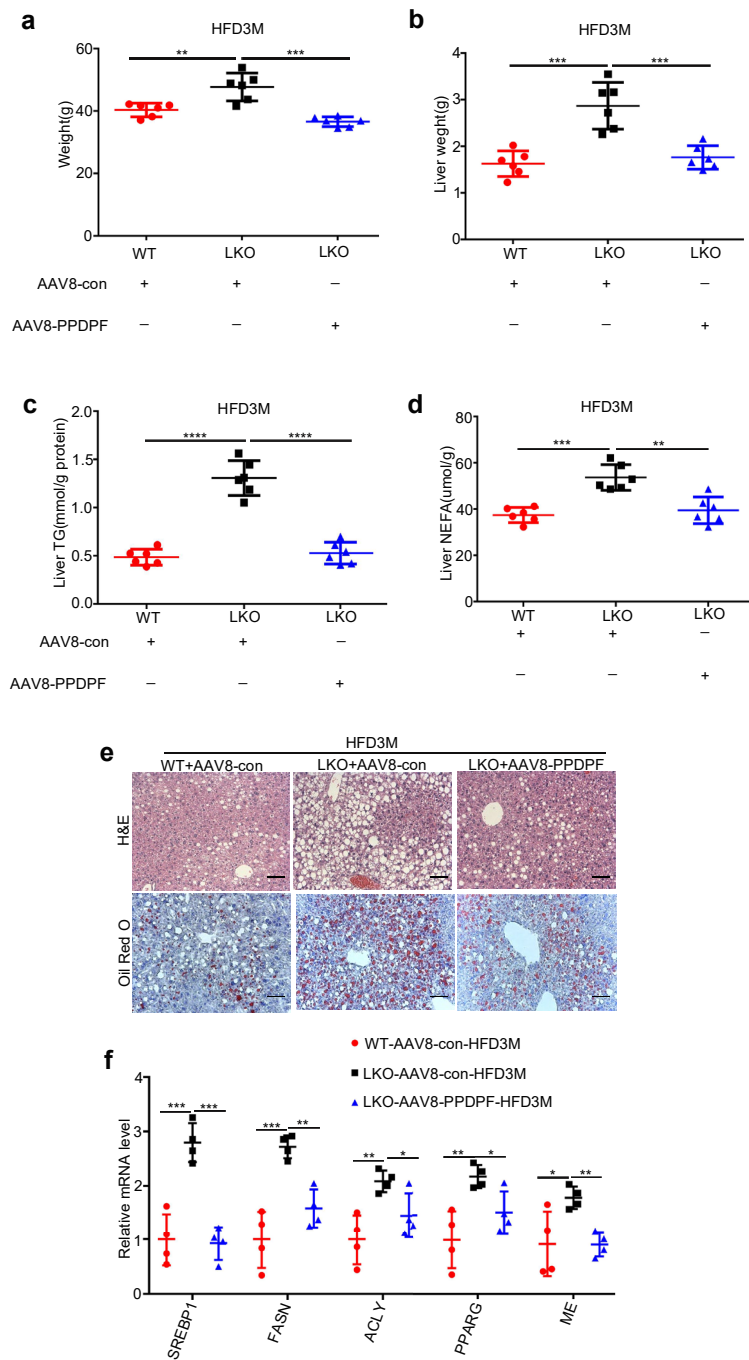
**Supplementary Fig.1 The knockout efficiency of PPDPF and plasma TG in mice.**

**(a)** PPDPF expression level in the liver of WT (n=4) and PPDPF-LKO (n=4) mice at 8 months is measured by real-time qPCR and western blotting. The mRNA expression levels of the genes are normalized to that of 18s. Mean±SEM, \*\* $p=0.0019$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. **(b)** H&E staining of liver sections from WT and KO mice at 6 months. Scale bars,100um.**(c)** Plasma triglyceride (TG) contents from WT (n=6) and LKO (n=6) mice at 8 months. Mean±SEM, \*\*\* $p=0.0005$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.



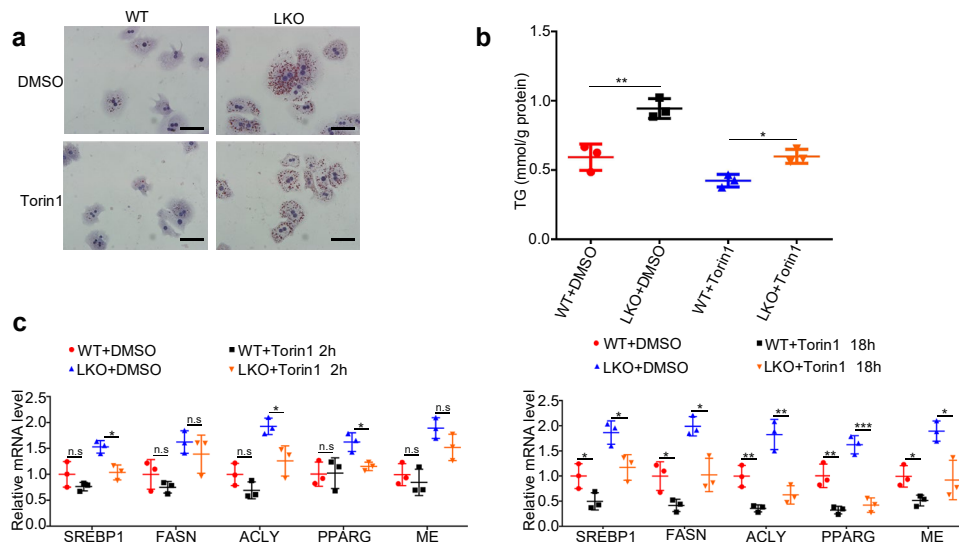
**Supplementary Fig.2 The knockout efficiency of PPDPF and plasma TG in the mice fed HFD for 4 months.**

**(a)** PPDPF expression level in the liver from WT and KO mice fed HFD for 4 months is measured by western blotting.**(b)** Results of plasma triglyceride (TG) tests of WT (n=6) and LKO (n=6) mice fed HFD for 4 months. Mean±SEM, \*\*\* $p=0.0001$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.

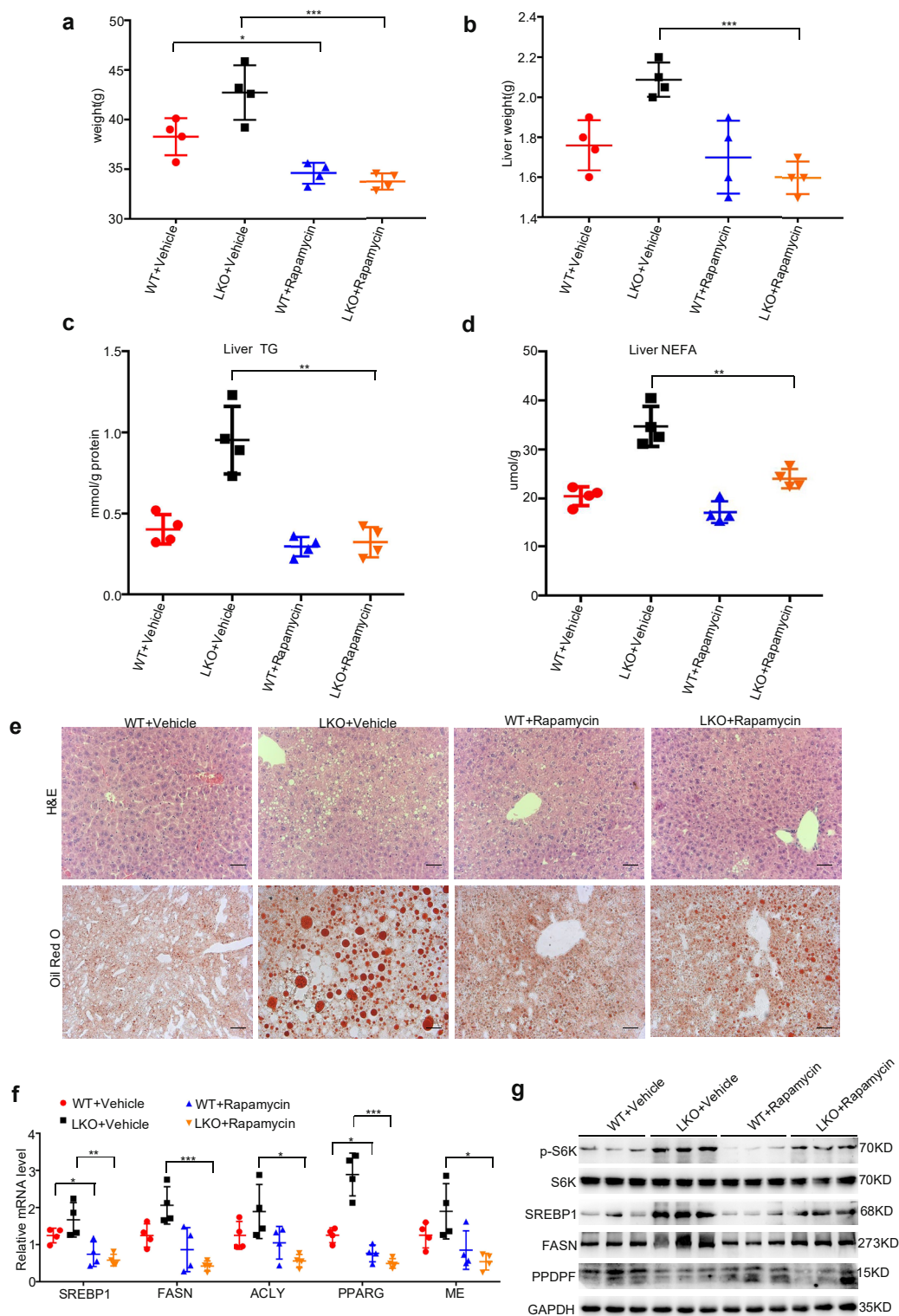


**Supplementary Fig.3 AAV8-mediated reintroduction of PPDPF rescues PPDPF-null phenotype in PPDPF-LKO mice fed HFD for 3 months.**(a-d) The body weight(a), liver weight(b), TG(c) and NEFA(d) for each group (WT-AAV8-con (n=6), LKO-AAV8-con (n=6) and LKO-AAV8-PPDPF (n=6)) after 3 months HFD feeding. Mean±SEM, (a) \*\* $p=0.0045$  (LKO+AAV-con Vs WT+AAV-con), \*\*\* $p=0.0002$  (LKO+AAV-PPDPF Vs LKO+AAV-con); (b) \*\*\* $p=0.0003$  (LKO+AAV-con Vs

WT+AAV-con),  $***p=0.0007$  (LKO+AAV-PPDPF Vs LKO+AAV-con); (c)  $****p<0.0001$ ; (d)  $***p=0.0001$  (LKO+AAV-con Vs WT+AAV-con),  $**p=0.0015$  (LKO+AAV-PPDPF Vs LKO+AAV-con) by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. (e) Representative images of H&E and Oil Red O staining of liver sections from the mice injected with indicated adenovirus fed HFD for 3 months. Scale bars, 100 um.(f) The mRNA expression level of lipogenesis-related genes for each group (WT-AAV8-con (n=4), LKO-AAV8-con (n=4) and LKO-AAV8-PPDPF (n=4)) after 3 months HFD feeding. Mean±SEM, *SREBP1*:  $***p=0.0009$   $***p=0.0002$ , *FASN*:  $***p=0.0009$   $**p=0.0014$ , *ACLY*:  $**p=0.0048$   $*p=0.0321$ , *PPARG*:  $**p=0.0061$   $*p=0.0242$ , *ME*:  $*p=0.0353$   $**p=0.0012$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.

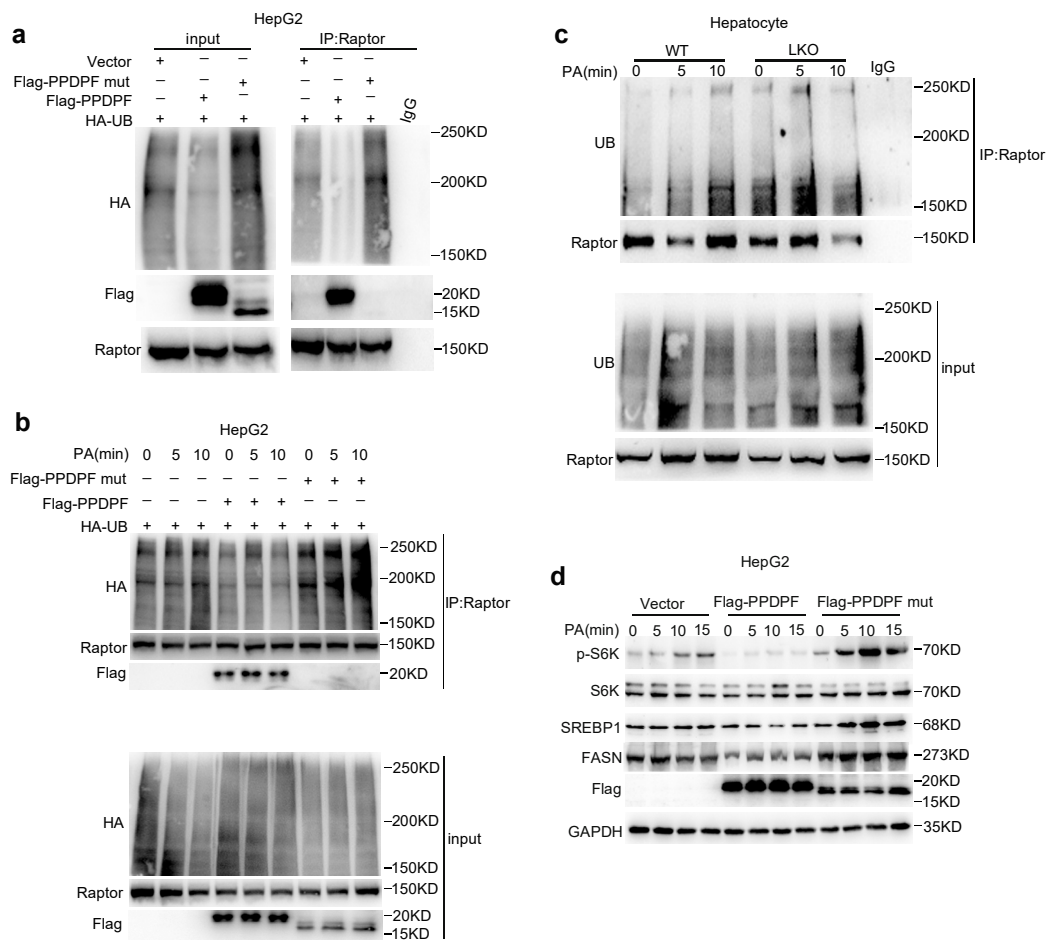


**Supplementary Fig. 4 Torin1 treatment reduces lipid deposition in PPDPF-LKO hepatocytes.** (a) Oil Red O staining of primary hepatocytes upon Torin1 treatment. Scale bars, 100um.(b) Triglyceride (TG) detect of hepatocytes from WT (n=3) and LKO (n=3) mice treated with Torin1 for 24h. Mean±SEM,  $**p=0.0068$   $*p=0.011$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. (c) The mRNA levels of lipid synthesis-associated genes are examined after 2 hours or 18 hours of Torin1 treatment, these cells from primary hepatocytes of WT (n=3) and LKO (n=3) mice. Mean±SEM. See Supplementary Data 3 for statistics. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.

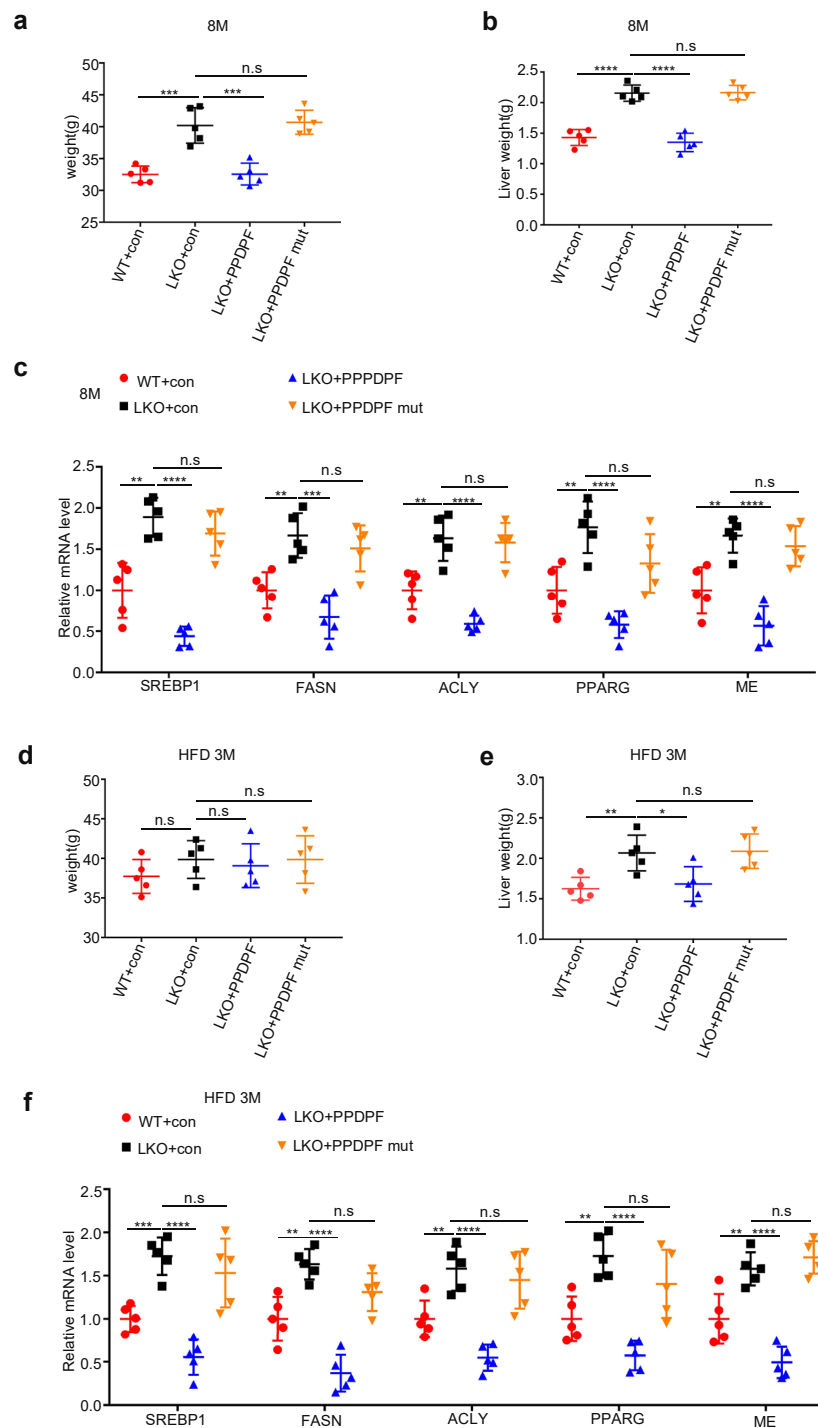


**Supplementary Fig.5 Rapamycin treatment inhibits lipid synthesis in PPDPF-LKO mice at 8 months of age on chow diets. (a-d)** The body weight(a), liver weight (b), TG (c) and NEFA (d) for each group: WT+Vehicle (n=4), LKO+Vehicle

(n=4), WT+Rapamycin (n=4), LKO+Rapamycin (n=4) under rapamycin treatment at 8 months on chow diets. Mean±SEM, (a) \* $p=0.0138$  \*\*\* $p=0.0008$ , (b) \*\*\* $p=0.0002$ , (c) \*\* $p=0.0015$ , (d) \*\* $p=0.0032$  by two tailed unpaired Student's  $t$ -test. (e) Representative images of H&E and Oil Red O staining of liver sections from the mice treated with rapamycin at 8 months. Scale bars, 100  $\mu$ m. (f) The mRNA expression level of lipogenesis-related genes for each group: WT+Vehicle (n=4), LKO+Vehicle (n=4), WT+Rapamycin (n=4), LKO+Rapamycin (n=4) at 8 months on chow diets. Mean±SEM, *SREBP1*: \* $p=0.0397$  \*\* $p=0.0045$ , *FASN*: \*\*\* $p=0.0008$ , *ACLY*: \* $p=0.0019$ , *PPARG*: \* $p=0.0172$  \*\*\* $p=0.0002$ , *ME*: \* $p=0.0131$  by two tailed unpaired Student's  $t$ -test. (g) Expression of p-S6K, S6K, SREBP1 and FASN in liver samples after rapamycin treatment. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.



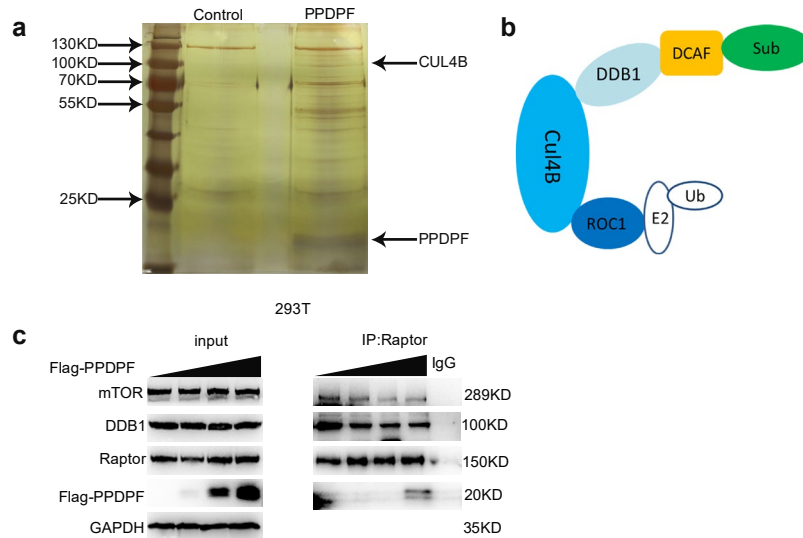
**Supplementary Fig.6 Influence of PPDPF and PPDPF mut on Raptor ubiquitination and mTOR signaling pathway. (a)** The ubiquitination of Raptor in HepG2 cells was examined. **(b)** The dynamic change of Raptor ubiquitination in HepG2 cells upon PA treatment. **(c)** The ubiquitination of Raptor in WT and LKO hepatocytes was examined. **(d)** Expression of p-S6K, S6K, SREBP1 and FASN in HepG2 cells upon PA stimulation. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.



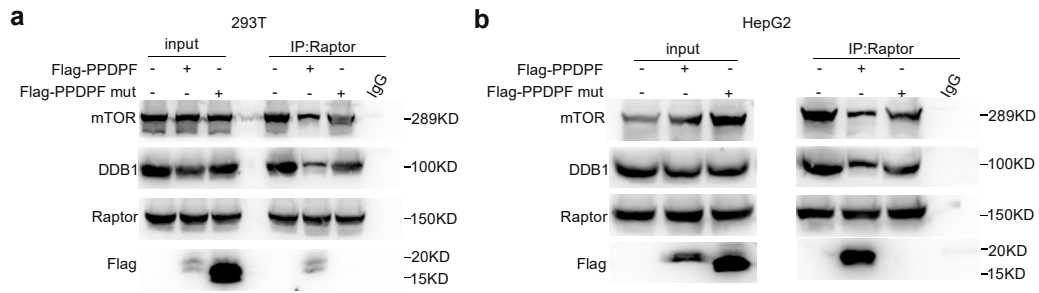
**Supplementary Fig.7 AAV8-mediated reintroduction of PPDF and PPDF-mut in PPDF-LKO mice. (a, b)** The body weight(a) and liver weight(b) of WT+con, LKO+con, LKO+PPDPF and LKO+PPDPF mut mice(n=5 per group) at 8 months on chow diets. Mean±SEM, n.s (not significant), (a) \*\*\* $p=0.0005$  \*\*\* $p=0.0008$ , (b)



\*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$  by two tailed unpaired Student's  $t$ -test. (c) The mRNA expression level of lipogenesis-related genes of WT+con, LKO+con, LKO+PPDPF and LKO+PPDPF mut mice ( $n=5$  per group) at 8 months on chow diets. Mean $\pm$ SEM, n.s (not significant), see Supplementary Data 4 for statistics. (d, e) The body weight (d), liver weight (e) of WT+con, LKO+con, LKO+PPDPF and LKO+PPDPF mut mice ( $n=5$  per group) at 3 months after HFD feeding. Mean $\pm$ SEM, n.s (not significant), \*\* $p=0.0054$  \* $p=0.0241$  by two tailed unpaired Student's  $t$ -test. (f) The mRNA expression level of lipogenesis-related genes of WT+con, LKO+con, LKO+PPDPF and LKO+PPDPF mut mice ( $n=5$  per group) at 3 months after HFD feeding. Mean $\pm$ SEM, n.s (not significant), see Supplementary Data 4 for statistics. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.

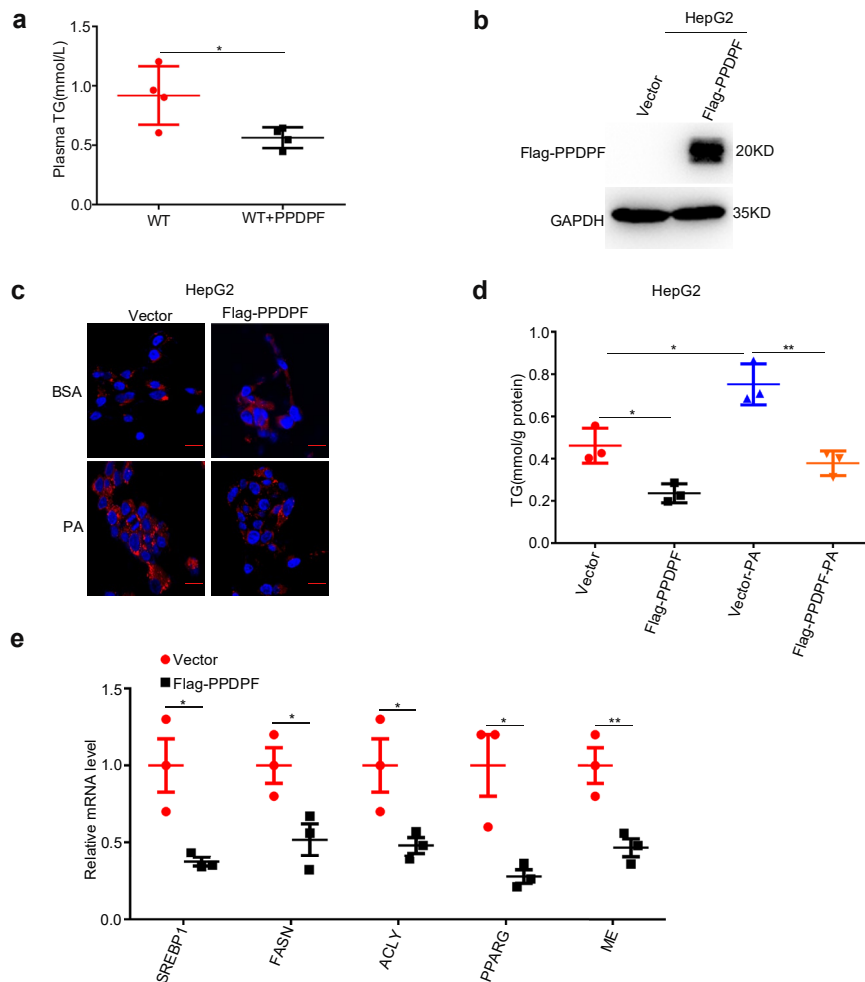


**Supplementary Fig.8 The identification of E3 ligase of Raptor.** (a) Silver straining of immunoprecipitates of 3xFlag-PPDPF in 293T cells. (b) DDB1-CUL4B E3 ubiquitin-ligase complex. (c) PPDPF influences Rapor-DDB1 and Raptor-mTOR interaction in a dose-dependent manner. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.



**Supplementary Fig.9 PPDPF mutant can not influence DDB1-Raptor interaction.**

(a,b) Co-immunoprecipitation assay to examine the interaction between PPDPF/PPDPF mut and Raptor in 293T cells (a) and HepG2 cells (b). All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.



**Supplementary Fig.10 Overexpression of PPDPF reduces the lipid deposition in HepG2 cells. (a) Plasma triglyceride (TG) detection of WT (n=4) and WT+PPDPF**

(n=4) mice on HFD diet for 3 months. Mean±SEM, \* $p=0.0346$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. **(b)** Western blotting examining the overexpression of PPDPF in HepG2 cells. **(c)** Nile Red staining of HepG2 cells under PA treatment. Scale bars, 100um. **(d)** Triglyceride tests to examine lipid accumulation in HepG2 cells under PA treatment of the control group (n=3) and overexpression group (n=3). Mean±SEM, \* $p=0.0346$  (Vector Vs Flag-PPDPF), \*\* $p=0.0047$  (Vector Vs Flag-PPDPF-PA), \* $p=0.0168$  (Vector Vs Vector-PA) by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. **(e)** The relative mRNA levels of the indicated molecules in HepG2 cells of the control group (n=3) and overexpression group (n=3). Mean±SEM, *SREBP1*: \* $p=0.0234$ , *FASN*: \* $p=0.0356$ , *ACLY*: \* $p=0.0452$ , *PPARG*: \* $p=0.0242$ , *ME*: \*\* $p=0.005$  by two tailed unpaired Student's *t*-test. All experiments were repeated 3 times independently.

**Supplementary Table 1. Primary antibodies for Western blotting assay.**

| Antibody  | Cat No.   | Manufacturer | Species | Dilution |
|-----------|-----------|--------------|---------|----------|
| FASN      | 3180      | CST          | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| SREBP1    | sc-365514 | Santa Cruz   | Mouse   | 1:1000   |
| p-p70 S6K | 9234      | CST          | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| S6K       | ab32359   | Abcam        | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| GAPDH     | 60004     | Proteintech  | Mouse   | 1:3000   |
| Raptor    | 2280      | CST          | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| DDB1      | 11380     | Proteintech  | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| Flag      | F3165     | Sigma        | Mouse   | 1:5000   |
| HA        | 3724      | CST          | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |
| Myc       | sc-40     | Santa Cruz   | Mouse   | 1:1000   |
| Ubiquitin | sc-8017   | Santa Cruz   | Mouse   | 1:1000   |
| PPDPF     | 19912     | Proteintech  | Rabbit  | 1:500    |
| GST       | 6g9       | Proteintech  | Rabbit  | 1:1000   |

**Supplementary Table 2. Primers for Real-Time PCR detection.**

| Gene         | Sequence 5'→3'               |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| Mouse SREBF1 | F: TGACCCGGCTATTCCGTGA       |
|              | R: CTGGGCTGAGCAATACAGTTC     |
| Mouse FASN   | F: GGAGGTGGTGATAGCCGGTAT     |
|              | R: TGGGTAATCCATAGAGCCCAG     |
| Mouse PPARG  | F: GGAAGACCACTCGCATTTCCTT    |
|              | R: GTAATCAGCAACCATTGGGTCA    |
| Mouse ME     | F: GCCGGCTCTATCCTCCTTTG      |
|              | R: TTTGTATGCATCTTGCACAATCTTT |
| Mouse ACLY   | F: ACCCTTTCCTGTTGGGATCACA    |
|              | R: GACAGGGATCAGGATTTTCCTTG   |
| Mouse PPARA  | F: AACATCGAGTGTGGAATATGTGG   |
|              | R: CCGAATAGTTCGCCGAAAGAA     |
| Mouse EHHADH | F: ATGGCTGAGTATCTGAGGCTG     |
|              | R: GGTCCAAACTAGCTTTCTGGAG    |
| Mouse MCAD   | F: CAAGTTTGCCAGAGAGGAGATTATC |
|              | R: AACGGTACTCCCCGCTTT        |
| Mouse ACOX1  | F: TAACTCCTCACTCGAAGCCA      |
|              | R: AGTTCATGACCCATCTCTGTC     |

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|--------------|--|
| Mouse ACAD1  | F: TCTTTTCCTCGGAGCATGACA<br>R: GACCTCTCTACTCACTTCTCCAG |
| Mouse ECH1   | F: AAGATAAGGACGCCATGCTGAA<br>R: TCCAGGTGGCCATGTAGTCA   |
| Mouse CD36   | F: ATGGGCTGTGATCGGAACTG<br>R: GTCTTCCCAATAAGCATGTCTCC  |
| Mouse FABP1  | F: ATGAACTTCTCCGGCAAGTACC<br>R: GGCCTCGGGCAGACCTAT     |
| Mouse APOB   | F: CGTGGGCTCCAGCATTCTA<br>R: TCACCAGTCATTTCTGCCTTTG    |
| Mouse APOE   | F: GCTGGGTGCAGACGCTTT<br>R: TGCCGTCAGTTCTTGTGTGACT     |
| Mouse APOA1  | F: GGCACGTATGGCAGCAAGAT<br>R: CCAAGGAGGAGGATTCAAACCTG  |
| Human SREBF1 | F: ACAGTGA CTTCCTGGCCTAT<br>R: GCATGGACGGGTACATCTTCAA  |
| Human FASN   | F: AAGGACCTGTCTAGGTTTGATGC<br>R: TGGCTTCATAGGTGACTTCCA |
| Human ACLY   | F: TCGGCCAAGGCAATTCAGAG<br>R: CGAGCATACTTGAACCGATTCT   |
| Human PPARG  | F: GGGATCAGCTCCGTGGATCT<br>R: TGCAC TTTGGTACTCTTGAAGTT |
| Mouse PDPF   | F: CCACATTCTGCTCTCGTCTC<br>R: AGGCGTCGCCGATAGT         |
| Mouse 18sRNA | F: GTAACCCGTTGAACCCCAT<br>R: CCATCCAATCGGTAGTAGCG      |
| Human 18sRNA | F: GAGAAACGGCTACCACATCC<br>R: CACCAGACTTGCCCTCCA       |

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**Supplementary Table 3. Primers for mouse generation.**

| Gene  | Sequence 5'→3'             |
|-------|----------------------------|
| PPDPF | F: GGCCTTACTCTTGTACTGCTGTC |
|       | R: GAGAGGATCATGAGCCAGCTTCG |

**Supplementary Table 4. Primers for plasmid construction.**

| Plasmids           | Sequence Reference | Species | Sequence 5'→3'  |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---|
| P23-3xFlag-PPDPF   | NM_024299.4        | Human   | F: CGGGGTACCATGGCGGCCATCCCCTCCAGCGGCT<br>R: CTAGTCTAGACTGGACGGGGGCCAGCGCTGGCTGTG  |
| P23-3xFlag-Raptor  | NM_020761.3        | Human   | F: CGGGGTACCATGGAGTCCGAAATGCTGCAATC<br>R: TGCTCTAGAGGTCTGACACGCTTCTCCACCGAGTAC    |
| P23-3xFlag-DDB1    | NM_001923.5        | Human   | F: CGGGGTACCATGTCGTACAACACTACGTGGTAACG<br>R: TGCTCTAGAGCATGGATCCGAGTTAGCTCCTCCACA |
| pcDNA3-HA-PPDPF    | NM_024299.4        | Human   | F: CCGGAATTCATGGCGGCCATCCCCTCCAGC<br>R: CGCGGATCCGGACGGGGGCCAGCGCTGGCTGTG         |
| pcDNA3.1-MYC-PPDPF | NM_024299.4        | Human   | F: CGCGGATCCATGGCGGCCATCCCCTCCAGC<br>R: CCGGAATTCGGACGGGGGCCAGCGCTGGCTGTG         |