

Supplementary Information

The regulatory light chain mediates inactivation of myosin motors during active shortening of cardiac muscle

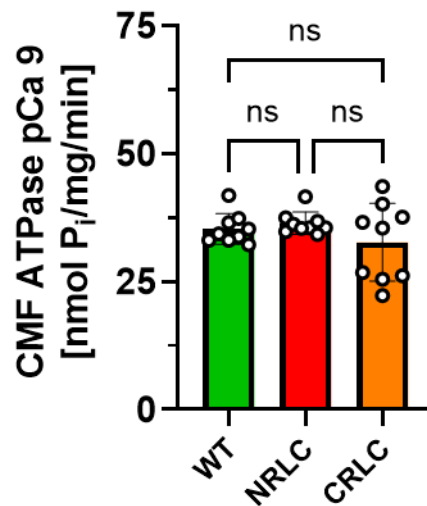
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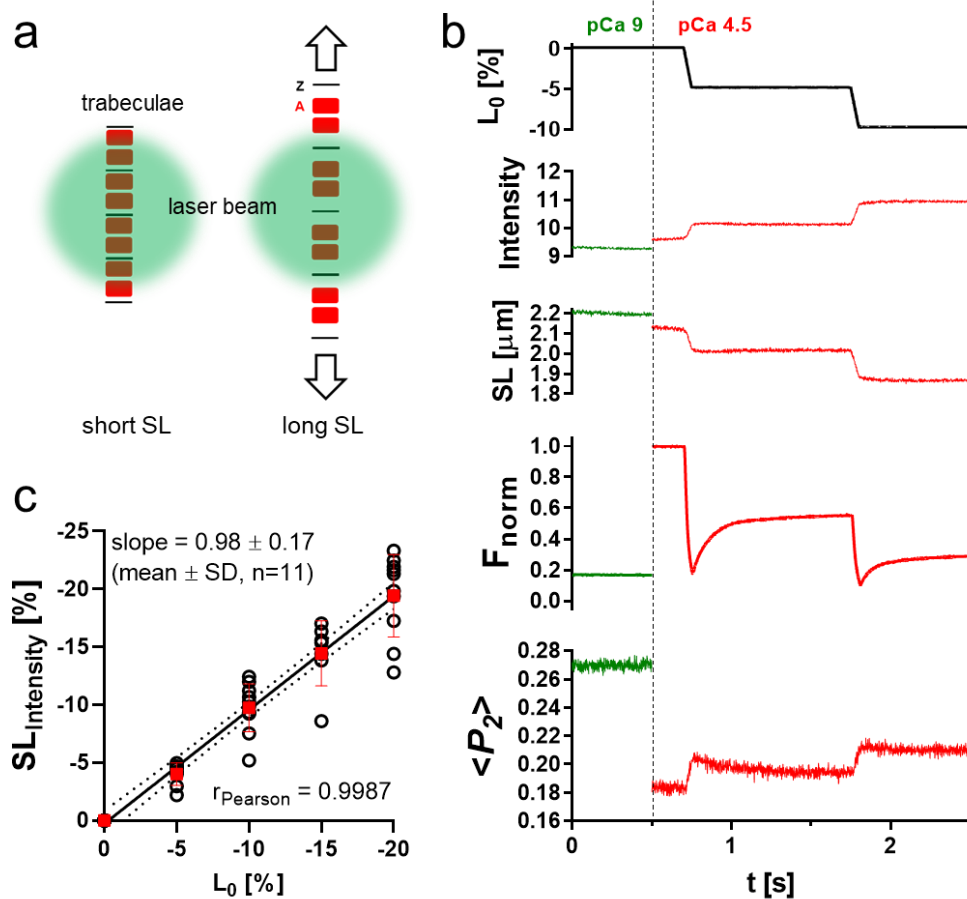
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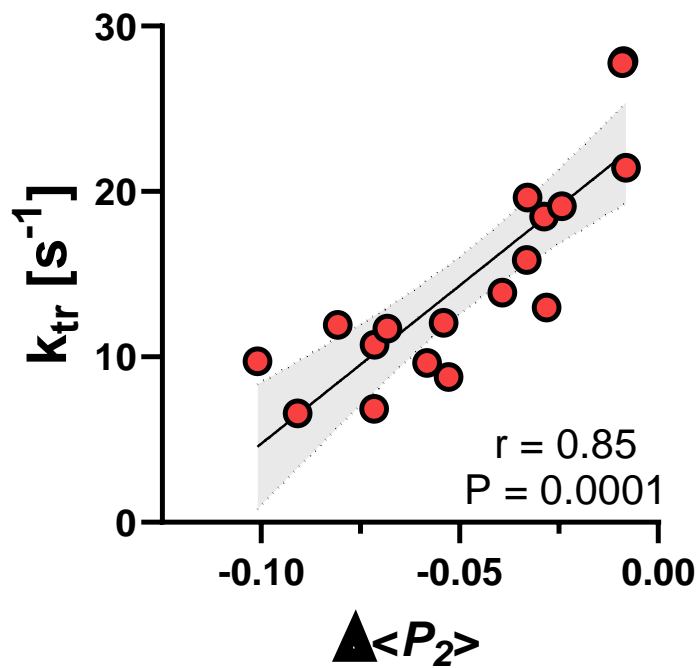
Supplementary Figures and Figure Legends



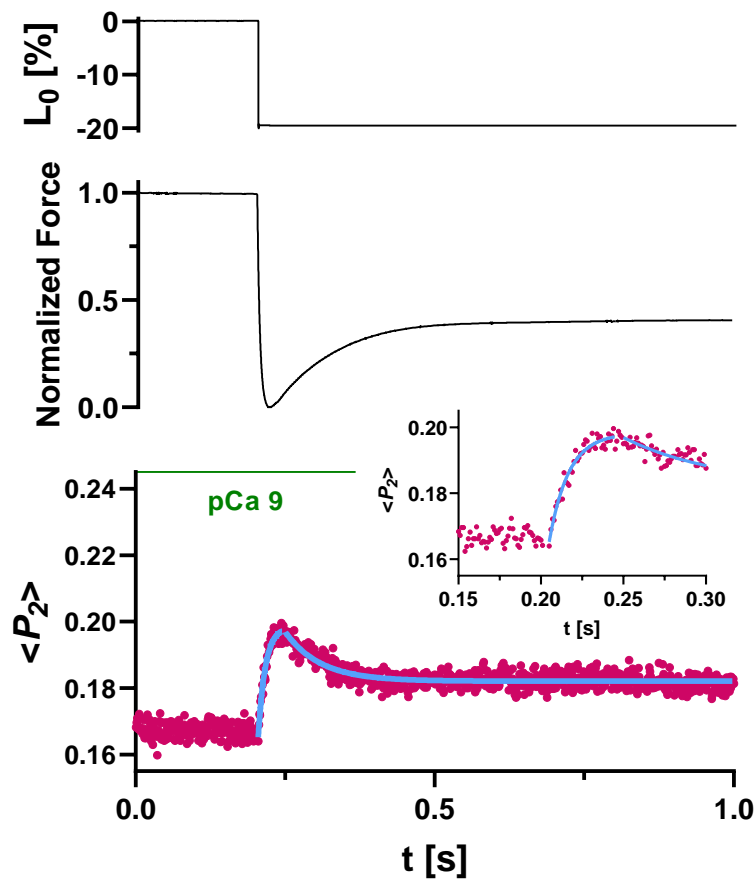
Supplementary Figure 1. Effect of wildtype RLC (WT, green), NRLC (red) and CRLC probe (orange) exchange on cardiac myofibrillar ATPase activity under relaxing conditions (pCa 9). Statistical significance of differences was assessed with a one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post-hoc test: ns – not significant. Means \pm s.e.m. Pooled data from n=3 different cardiac myofibril preparations. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



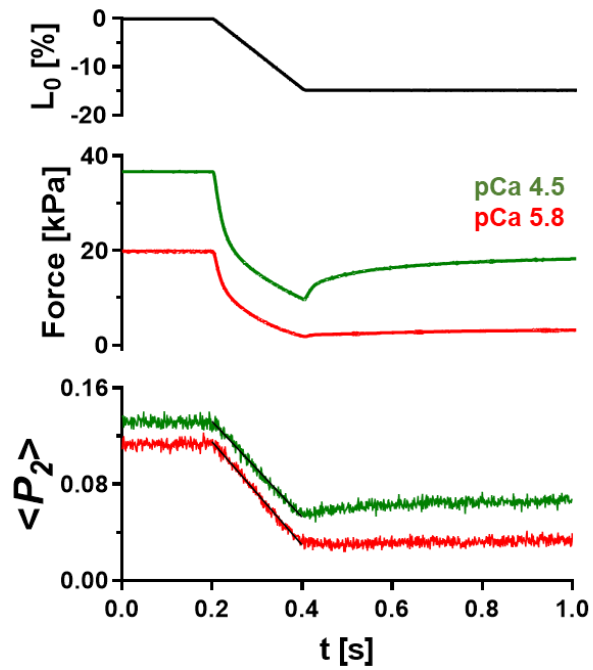
Supplementary Figure 2. Estimating sarcomere length (SL) in the sarcomeres in the measuring beam using fluorescence intensity. (a) Cartoon representation showing the principle of the measurements. At short SL (left) more sarcomeres (red) are in the laser beam (green) than at long SL (right), resulting in decreased fluorescence intensity with increased sarcomere length. (b) Example traces of trabeculae length, total fibre intensity, calculated sarcomere length, normalized force and $\langle P_2 \rangle$ measured from BSR-cRLC-E exchanged trabecula in relaxing (green, pCa 9) and activating conditions (red, pCa 4.5). (c) Relationship between sarcomere length and muscle length in fully calcium activated trabeculae. Data pooled from n=11 trabeculae. Continuous and dotted lines represent linear regression to data points and 95% confidence interval, respectively, with a slope of 0.98 ± 0.05 (mean \pm 95%CI) and Y-intercept of 0.28 ± 0.56 (mean \pm 95%CI). Pearson correlation coefficient (r) is shown at bottom right. Red squares indicate calculated average SL changes and standard deviations. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



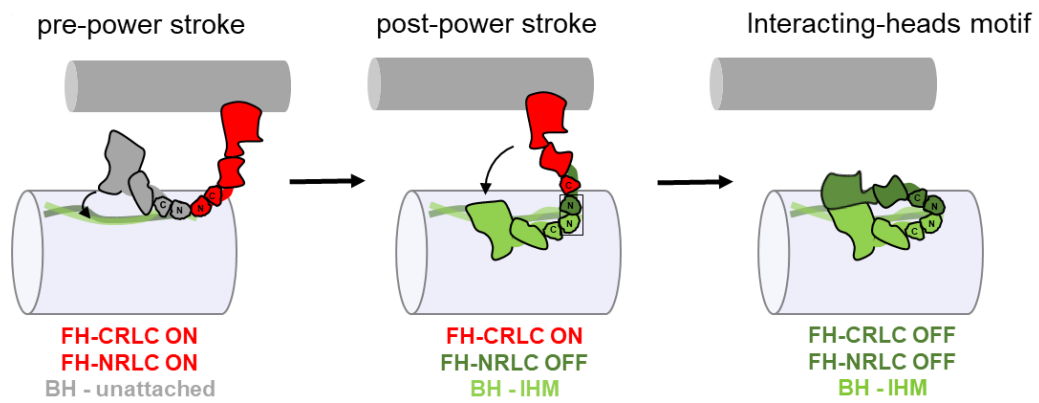
Supplementary Figure 3. Plot of $\langle P_2 \rangle$ change ($\Delta \langle P_2 \rangle$) of NRLC after the length step versus rate of force development k_{tr} (pooled data from $n=5$ trabeculae). Line represents linear regression to data points with a slope of $191.3 \pm 31.5 \text{ s}^{-1} \Delta \langle P_2 \rangle^{-1}$ and Y-intercept of $23.89 \pm 1.75 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (means \pm 95%CI). Grey shaded areas indicate 95% confidence interval. Pearson correlation coefficient (r) and p-value for a two-tailed student's t-test are shown on the bottom right. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 4. $\langle P_2 \rangle$ response measured from the cTnC E-helix probe (BR-cTnC-E) in the thin filaments during 20% L_0 shortening step of Ca^{2+} -activated ventricular trabeculae. Upper panel: muscle length; middle panel: force; lower panel: $\langle P_2 \rangle$. The relaxed value (pCa 9) of $\langle P_2 \rangle$ from the cTnC E-helix probe is indicated by a green line. Inset: $\langle P_2 \rangle$ response from the cTnC E-helix probe to shortening on an extended time scale. Single exponential fits are shown in cyan. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 5. Effect of $[Ca^{2+}]$ on sarcomere-length dependence of $\langle P_2 \rangle$ from the BC-helix probe. Top: muscle length, middle: normalized force, bottom: $\langle P_2 \rangle$. Black dotted lines in (B) represent linear fits to data points with slopes of -0.04 and $-0.042 \langle P_2 \rangle \cdot s^{-1}$ for pCa 4.5 and 5.8, respectively. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 6. Alternative model for the effect of shortening on myosin head conformation in cardiac muscle. The working stroke of the actin-attached free head (red) forces the unattached blocked head (grey) into the myosin tail-bound OFF state (post-power stroke), followed by detachment of the free head from actin and the formation of the interacting heads motif.

Supplementary Information Table and Table Legends

Supplementary Table 1. Summary of force-pCa and $\langle P_2 \rangle$ -pCa parameters, and rate constants (k) of force and $\langle P_2 \rangle$ redevelopment after slack/stretch protocol for BSR-cRLC-BC and BSR-cRLC-E exchanged trabeculae.

	BSR-cRLC-BC		BSR-cRLC-E	
	Force	$\langle P_2 \rangle$	Force	$\langle P_2 \rangle$
F_{\min} [kPa]	0.2 ± 0.1	-	0.2 ± 0.1	-
F_{\max} [kPa]	28.9 ± 1.4	-	37.4 ± 3.1	-
$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\min}$	-	-0.018 ± 0.001	-	0.0742 ± 0.007
$\langle P_2 \rangle_{\max}$	-	0.076 ± 0.015	-	0.171 ± 0.006
pCa ₅₀	5.56 ± 0.01	$5.61 \pm 0.01^*$	5.56 ± 0.01	$5.56 \pm 0.01^{\text{ns}}$
n _H	5.63 ± 0.52	$8.13 \pm 0.80^*$	6.85 ± 0.65	$8.41 \pm 0.66^{\text{ns}}$
k [s ⁻¹]	12.0 ± 0.8	$20.6 \pm 1.7^{**}$	11.8 ± 0.8	$14.6 \pm 1.0^{\text{ns}}$

Values indicate means \pm s.e.m. Statistical significance of differences between force and $\langle P_2 \rangle$ were assessed with a two-tailed, paired Student's t-test: *p<0.05, **p<0.01, ns-not significant. Data from^{1,2}.

Supplementary References

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