

Supplementary Materials for

Inhibition of sphingolipid de novo synthesis counteracts muscular dystrophy

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Figure S2. (A) Proportion of variance explained by each principal component of the sphingolipid *de novo* synthesis pathway in skeletal muscle of symptomatic DMD patients and controls (E-GEOID-38417). Levels of alanine aminotransferase (B) and aspartate aminotransferase (C) in WT mice, *mdx* mice, and *mdx* mice treated with myriocin. (D) Quantification of developed force at 25s (middle) of the fatigue protocol in EDL muscle of mice. Results are expressed relative to the developed force at the 1st tetanus. (E) Quantification of force drop during the 50s fatigue protocol in EDL muscle from WT (C57/BL10), *mdx*, and *mdx* mice treated with myriocin (force quantified every 10th tetanus). (F) Quantification of force drop during eccentric EDL muscle contractions in WT (C57/BL10), *mdx*, and *mdx* mice treated with myriocin. (G) Representative traces of cytosolic Ca^{2+} transients in isolated FDB muscle fibers upon 2.5 mM caffeine stimulation (SR Ca^{2+} store) and after 2 mM CaCl_2 (SOCE). (H) Ca^{2+} amplitude (SR Ca^{2+} store) upon 2.5 mM caffeine stimulation as percentage of C57/BL10. (I) Ca^{2+} amplitude (SR Ca^{2+} store) upon 40 μM histamine stimulation as percentage of C57/BL10. (J) Sarcoplasmic reticulum Ca^{2+} uptake after 2.5 mM caffeine stimulation as percentage of Ca^{2+} peak. All data are shown as mean \pm SEM. Statistical significance is calculated using Student's two-tailed T test with BH adjustment for FDR. *BH FDR < 0.05, **BH FDR < 0.01, and ***BH FDR < 0.001.

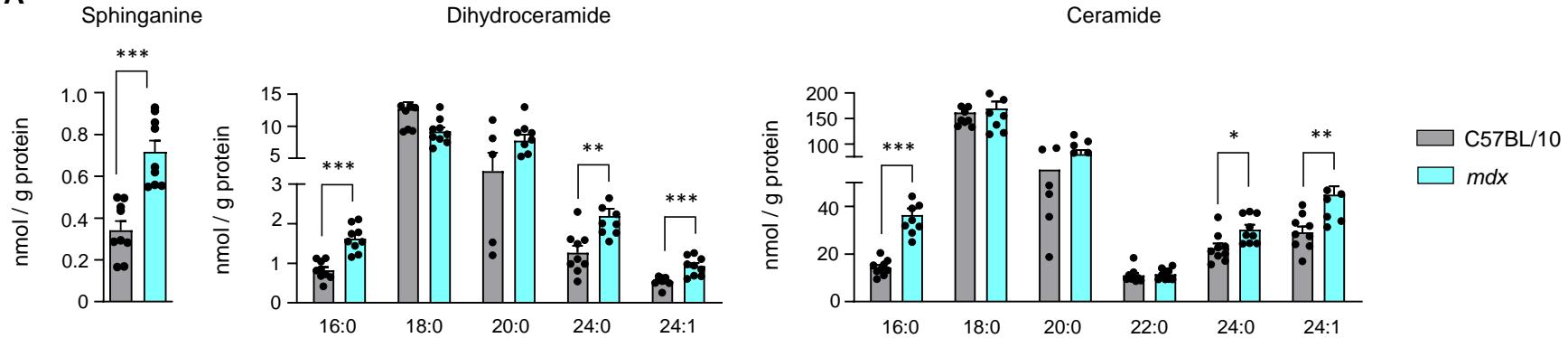
Figure S3. Sphinganine (A), dihydroceramide (B), and ceramide (C) levels in primary bone marrow derived macrophages of C57/BL10 or *mdx* mice. For A-C, statistical significance is calculated using Student's two-tailed T test with BH adjustment for FDR. All data are shown as mean \pm SEM. *BH FDR < 0.05, **BH FDR < 0.01, and ***BH FDR < 0.001.

Figure S4. Sphinganine (left), dihydroceramide (middle), and ceramide (right) levels in (A) diaphragm and (B) heart tissue of C57/BL10 or *mdx* mice. For A-B, statistical significance is calculated using Student's two-tailed T test with BH adjustment for FDR. All data are shown as mean \pm SEM. *BH FDR < 0.05, **BH FDR < 0.01, and ***BH FDR < 0.001.

Figure S5. (A) Immunostaining of PDGFR, a marker of FAPs, and DAPI in diaphragm. Scale bar, 50 μm . (B) Immunostaining of PDGFR, and DAPI in TA. Scale bar, 50 μm .

Figure S1

Quadriceps, 4 wk

A

Quadriceps, 10 wk

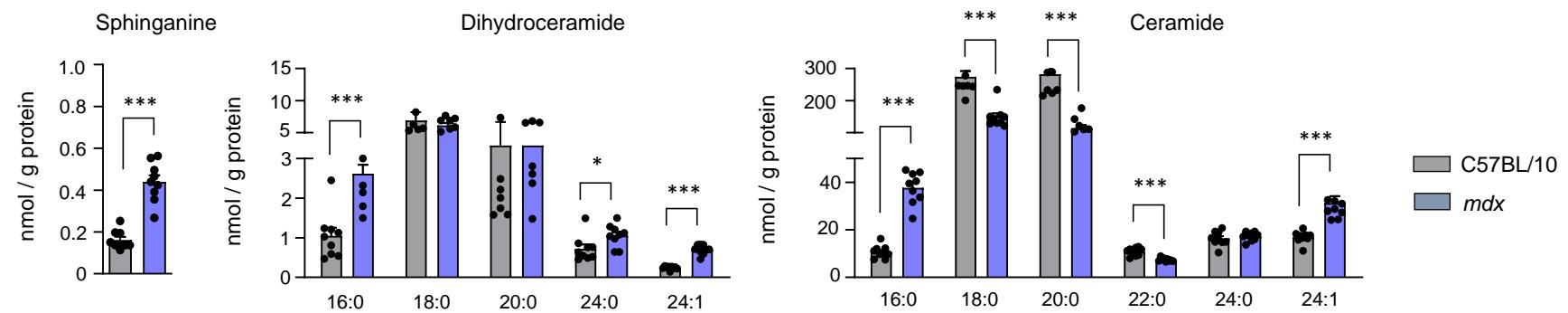
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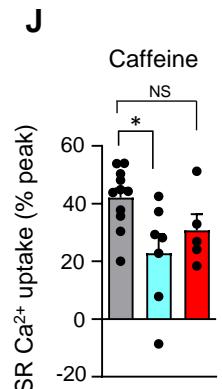
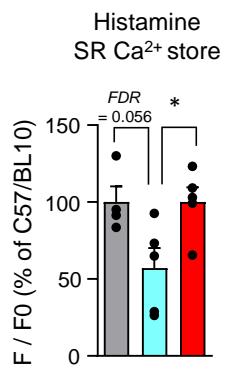
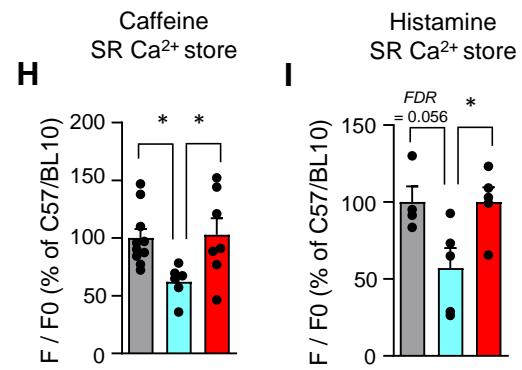
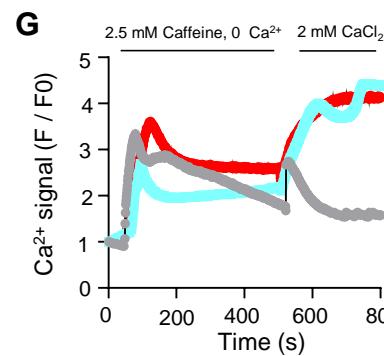
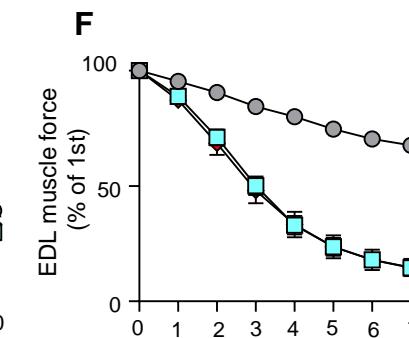
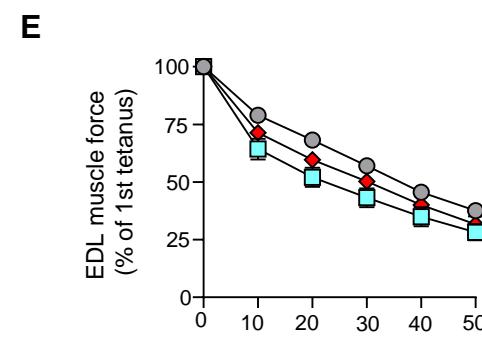
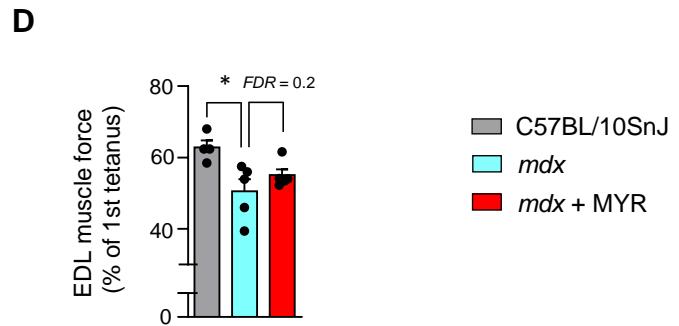
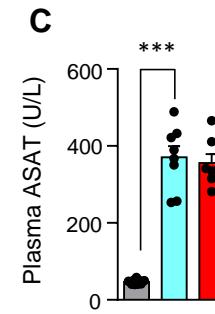
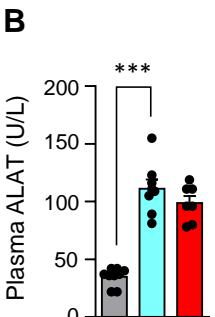
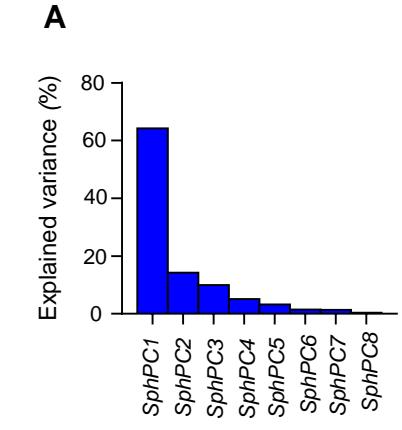


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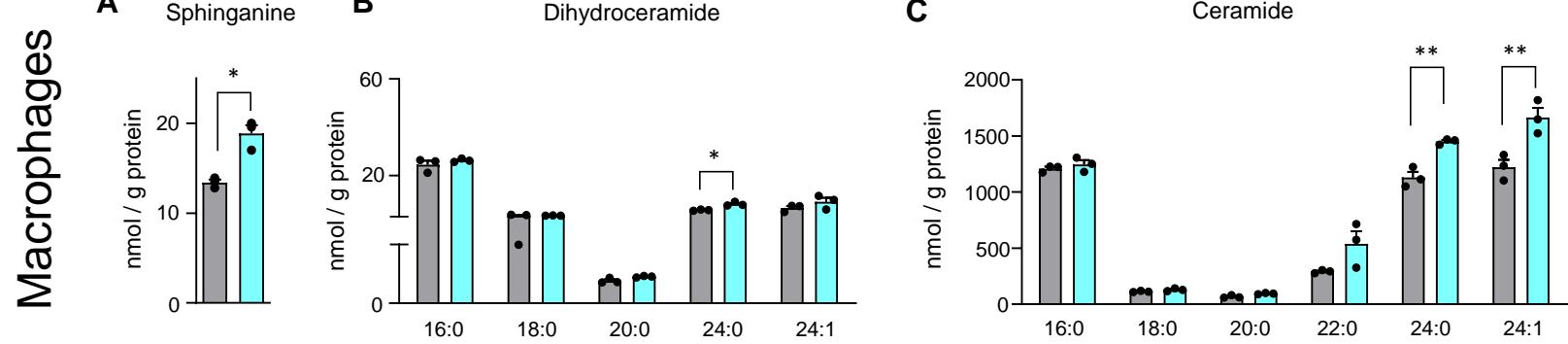
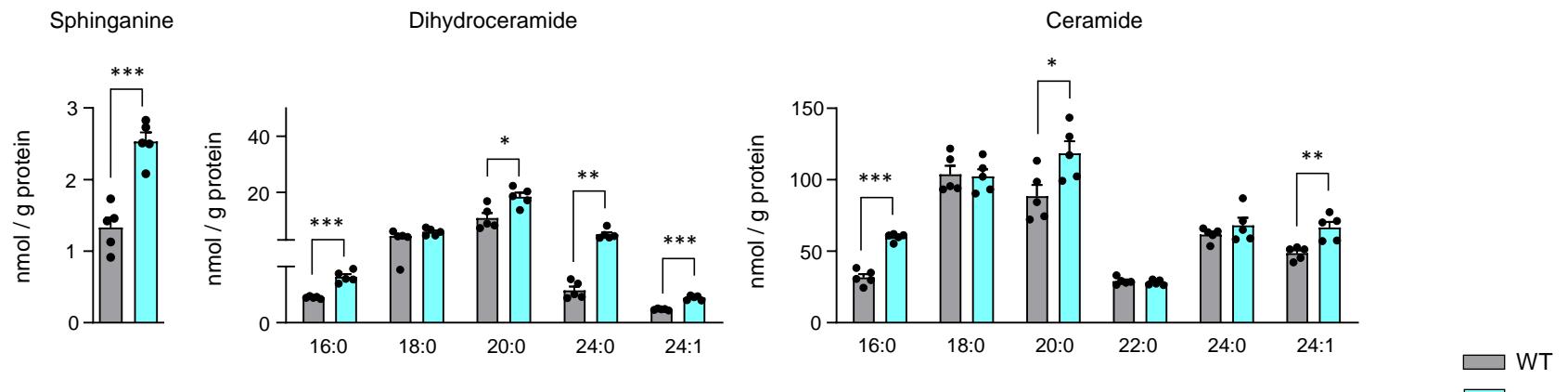


Figure S4**A**

WT
mdx

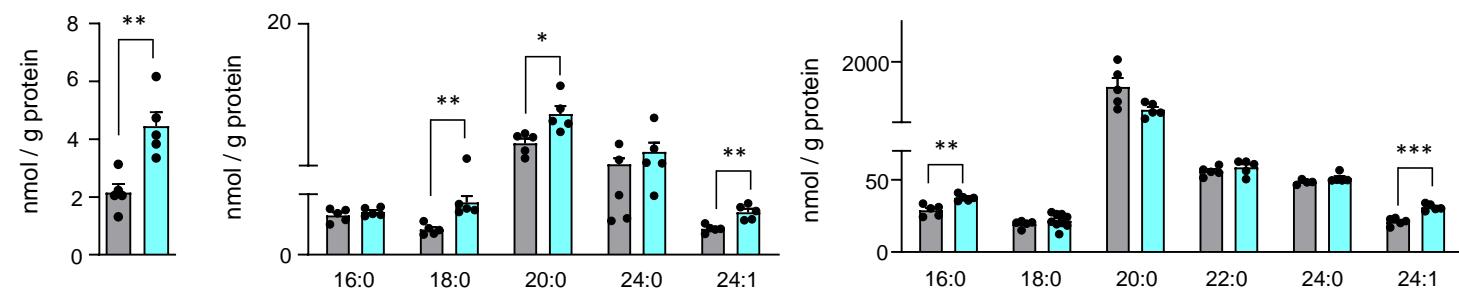
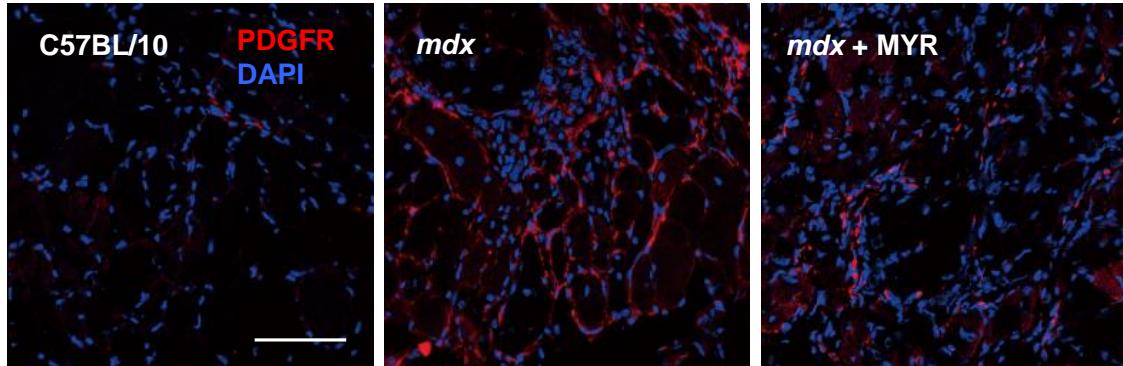
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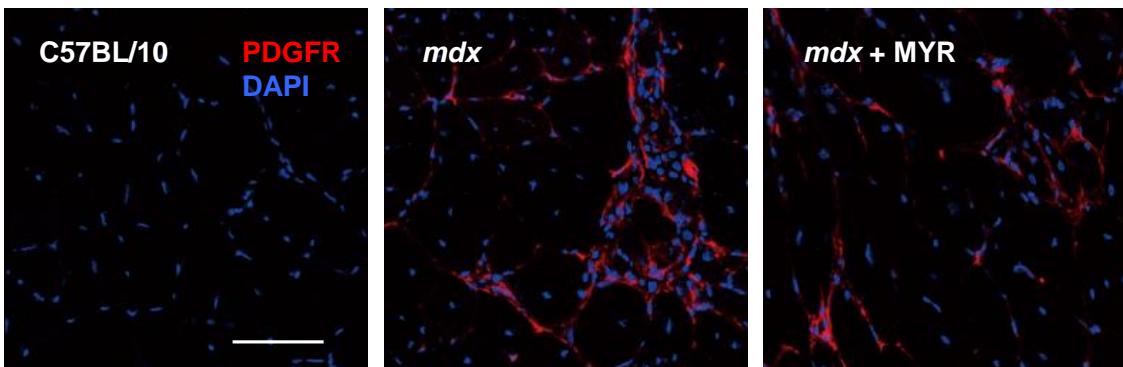
A

Diaphragm



B

Tibialis anterior



Supplementary Table 1. Pathways correlated with the first principal component of sphingolipid *de novo* synthesis pathway (please see separate file).

Supplementary Table 2. List of primers.

Gene symbol (mouse)	Forward	Reverse
<i>Cd163</i>	TCCACACGTCCAGAACAGTC	CCTTGGAAACAGAGACAGGC
<i>Retnla</i>	ACCTTCCTGAGATTCTGCC	CAGTGGTCCAGTCAACGAGTAAGC
<i>Il10</i>	TGAATTCCCTGGGTGAGAAGCTGA	TGGCCTTGTAGACACCTTGGTCTT
<i>Il6</i>	GCCTTCTTGGGACTGATGCT	TGCCATTGCACAACCTTTCT
<i>Il1b</i>	TGCCATTGCACAACCTTTCT	GGTGGAGAGCTTCAGCTCATAT
<i>iNOS</i>	CCCTTCAATGGTTGGTACATGG	ACATTGATCTCCGTGACAGCC
<i>B2m</i>	TTCTGGTGCTTGTCTCACTG	TATGTTGGCTTCCCATTCT