

Supplementary Materials for

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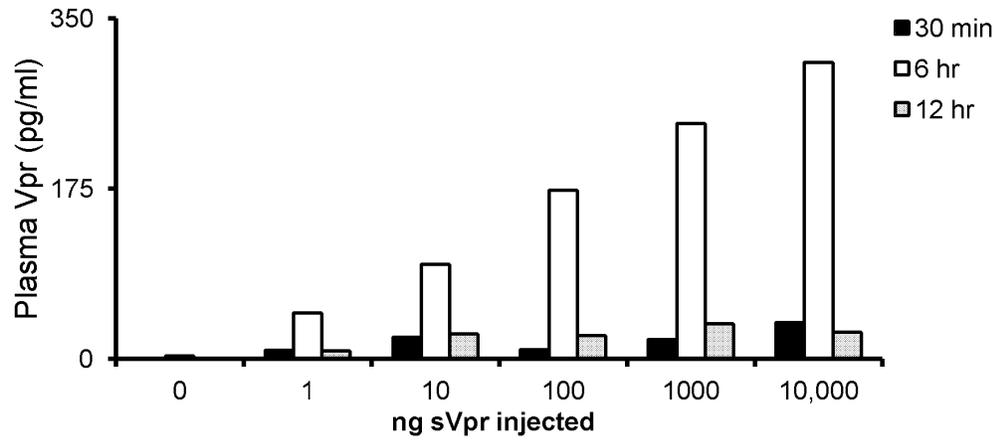
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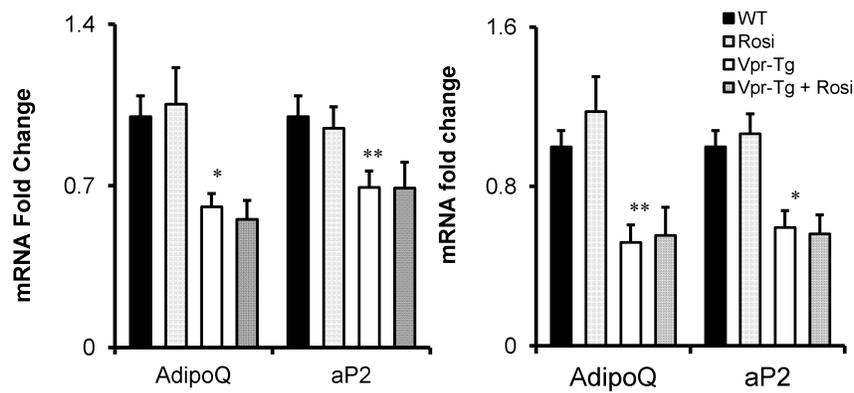
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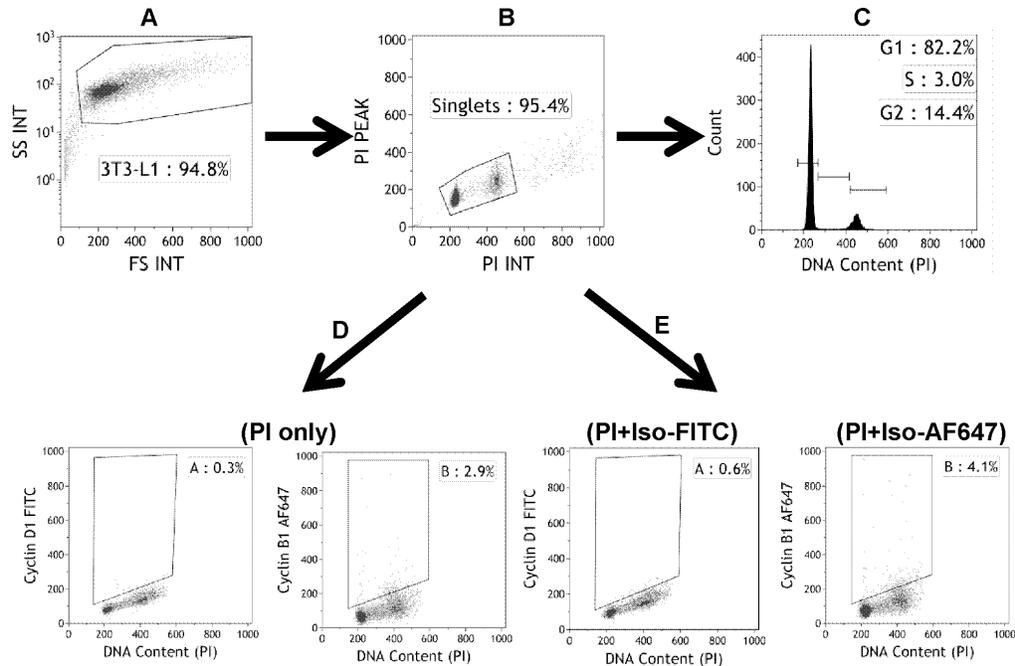
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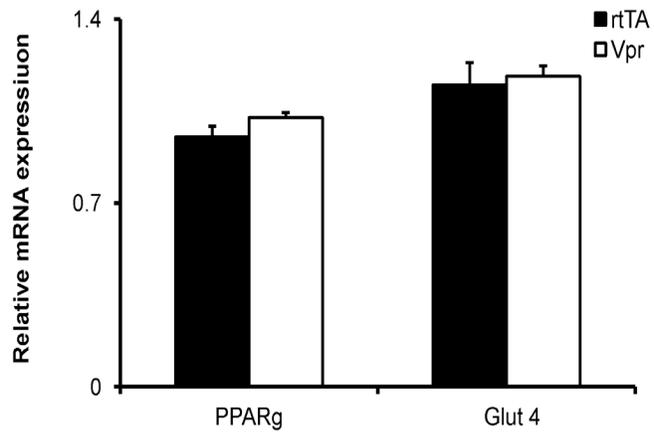
Supplementary Figure S1: Plasma Vpr levels in mice injected with sVpr.



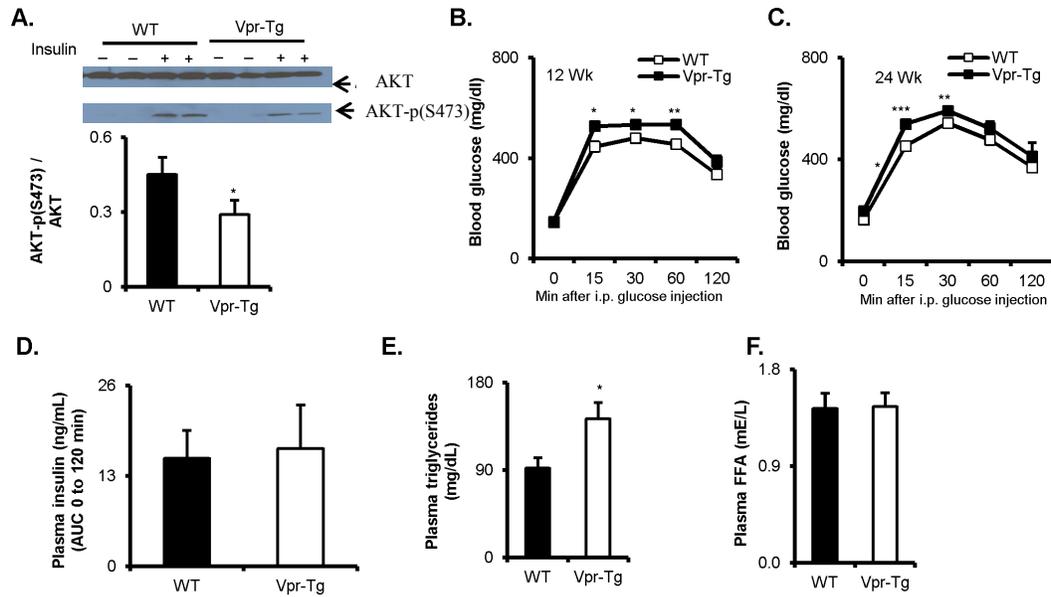
Supplementary Figure S2: Expression of adiponectin and aP2 in PGF and IF of Vpr-Tg. **A.** Reduced *AdipoQ* ($P = 0.02$) and *ap2* ($P = 0.009$) mRNA expression in inguinal fat (IF) of Vpr-Tg compared to WT mice ; rosiglitazone treatment had no effect. N=8 per group. **B.** Reduced *AdipoQ* ($P = 0.01$) and *ap2* ($P = 0.03$) mRNA expression in perigonadal fat (PGF) of Vpr-Tg compared to WT mice ; rosiglitazone treatment had no effect. N=8 per group. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$



Supplementary Figure S3. Gating strategy for flow cytometry. Live cells were gated from light scatter dotplot (A), and single cells examined by PI doublet discrimination (B). Single cells were then examined by one-parameter PI histogram for overall cell cycle distribution (C), or cell cycle in conjunction with either cyclin D1-FITC or cyclin B1-AF647. Positivity of cyclins in conjunction with PI was determined based on cells stained with PI only (D) or PI+Isotype-FITC or PI+Isotype-AF647 (E) controls.



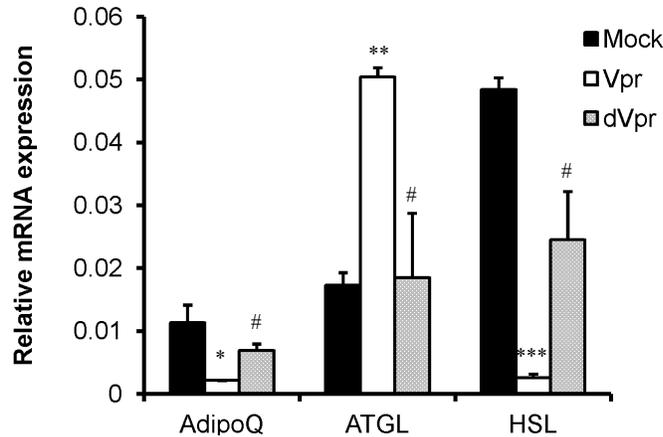
Supplementary Figure S4: Vpr does not block differentiation genes in 3T3-L1 72 hours after differentiation induction. PPAR γ and Glut4 expression on day 8 in 3T3-L1 adipocytes 72h after doxycycline addition.



Supplementary Figure S5: Hyperglycemia and hypertriglyceridemia in Vpr-Tg.

A. Reduced insulin-stimulated phospho-Ser473 Akt levels, as a fraction of total Akt protein level, in Vpr-Tg (N=5) compared to WT (N=5) mice (p=0.05). **B and C.** Intraperitoneal glucose tolerance tests show post-challenge hyperglycemia in Vpr-Tg compared to WT mice at 14 weeks of age (N=5 for WT mice and N=4 for Vpr-Tg mice) (p=0.02, 0.03 and 0.01 at 15, 30, 60 min respectively) (b), and at 24 weeks of age (N=7 for WT mice and N=5 for Vpr-Tg mice) (p=0.03, 0.001 and 0.01 at 0, 15, 30 min respectively). **D.** Plasma insulin levels during GTT in WT (N=7) and Vpr-Tg (N=5) mice at 24 weeks of age. **E.** Elevated fasting plasma triglyceride levels in Vpr-Tg (N=9) compared to WT (N=11) mice (p=0.02). **F.** Plasma FFA levels in Vpr-Tg (N=9) compared to WT (N=11) mice. Values are mean ± SE.

* $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.



Supplementary Figure S6. Paracrine effect of Vpr. Memory CD4⁺ T cells (isolated from human PBMC's) were either uninfected or infected with wild-type HIV NL4.3 strain or Vpr-deficient NL4.3 for 24h in IL2-containing medium. After the infection period, 2x10⁵ memory CD4⁺ T cells were washed and placed in transwells with 2x10⁵ primary human subcutaneous preadipocytes (Zen-Bio, RTP, NC) in the lower wells, and cocultured in preadipocyte maintenance medium (Zen-Bio PM-1) containing IL2 (10 ng/ml). After 6 days coculture, the preadipocytes were hormonally induced for terminal differentiation by switching to preadipocyte differentiation medium (Zen-Bio DM-2) with IL2. After 3 days coculture in differentiation medium, the transwells were removed, the differentiating adipocytes harvested and their mRNA extracted for qRT-PCR measurements of *AdipoQ* (adiponectin, PPAR γ target), *Atgl* (GR target), and *Hsl* (GR target). Compared to exposure to activated, uninfected T cells ("Mock"), exposure to wt-HIV-infected T cells ("Vpr") decreased expression of *AdipoQ* (p=0.04) and *Hsl* (p=0.0009) but increased expression of *Atgl* (p=0.002), consistent with the findings in inguinal (subcutaneous) fat depots of WT compared to Vpr-Tg mice (**Figs. 3C, 3F**). Exposure to Vpr-deficient-HIV-infected T cells ("dVpr") restored the levels of expression of these three genes to those of the basal ("Mock") condition of exposure to activated T cells alone (p=0.02, 0.05, 0.04 for *AdipoQ*, *Hsl* and *Atgl* respectively). HIV replication was similar in the wt-HIV-infected and Vpr-deficient-HIV-infected T cells, as assessed by p24 production. Data are representative of 3 experiments. Values are mean \pm SD.

* $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$

$P < 0.05$

* Comparison between Mock (activated, uninfected T cells) condition and wt-HIV-infected condition

Comparison between WT-HIV-infected condition and Vpr-deficient-HIV-infected condition

Supplementary Table S1. Vpr in humn liver and adipose tissue.

Patient	HIV Status	Tissue	Vpr sequence detected
80y, M	Non-HIV	Spleen	None
84y, M	Non-HIV	L. Node	None
64y, M	Non-HIV	Fat	None
		Liver	None
39y, F	HIV	Spleen	None
		L. Node	None
		Fat	MEQAPEDQGPQ
		Liver	MEQAPEDQGPQR
64y, M	HIV	Spleen	None
		L. Node	None
		Fat	MEQAPEDQGPQREPHNEWTL
		Liver	MEQAPEDQGPQRREPHNEWTLLEEE

Fresh, coded autopsy specimens were obtained from National Development and Research Institute (NY, NY) and analyzed in a blinded fashion. The tissues were homogenized in PBS / 0.1% SDS and the supernatants injected into a multi-dimensional micro-HPLC system, fractionated through a strong anion exchange column, and the eluting peaks passaged through a C18 reverse-phase column. Individual peaks were digested by trypsin and cyanogen bromide, reprocessed through a C4 reverse-phase column and recollected in micro-fractions. These samples were placed in a nanoflow electrospray interface to a dual quadrupole mass spectrometer, and peptide sequences obtained from the mass spectrometric analysis were fed into the SwissProt database for matches to known Vpr sequences. (Full Vpr sequence: MEQAPEDQGPQREPHNEWTLLEELKNEAVRHFPRWLHGLGQHIYETYGDTWAGVEARIIRILQQLLF IHFRIGCRHSREGVTRQRRNASRS)

Supplementary Table S2. Palmitate flux in a second line of Vpr-Tg.

	WT (SE)	N	Vpr-Tg (SE)	N	P
Palmitate flux (μmoles/kg/hr)	3176 \pm 291	3	2933 \pm 51	3	0.49

Supplementary Table S3. Twenty-four-hour calorimetry.

	WT (SE)	N	Vpr-Tg (SE)	N	P
Mean RER (regular diet)	0.85 ± 0.006	10	0.84 ± 0.009	10	0.24
Mean RER (high (60%) fat diet)	0.80 ± 0.005	11	0.80 ± 0.005	12	0.9

Mean RER represents mean of measurements made every 10 min in each mouse over 24h.

Supplementary Table S4. Mouse weight and food intake in Vpr-Tg and sVpr-treated mice.

Groups (N)	Avg. Mouse Weight \pm SE	P	Avg. Food Intake in gms / week \pm SE	P
WT (8)	27.1 \pm 0.599		37.4 \pm 0.499	
Vpr-Tg (5)	26.9 \pm 0.380	0.82	38.2 \pm 0.342	0.25
Vehicle (6)	29.2 \pm 0.30		42.0 \pm 0.9	
sVpr (7)	30.5 \pm 0.70	0.13	41.3 \pm 0.7	0.53

Supplementary Table S5. Primer sequences for CHIP qPCR.

Gene Target	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer	Ref.
<i>Adiponectin</i> (PPRE)	5'TGTTGTTGACTCTCCAGGAC3'	5'TAGAGCTTCTGTCAAGCCAT3'	49
<i>Ap2</i> (PPRE)	5'CAAGCCATGCGACAAAGGCA3'	5'TAGAAGTCGCTCAGGCCACA3'	48
<i>Hsl (Lipe)</i> (GRE)	5'GCCTGTTTCAGCTGACAAGTG3'	5'TGGGTAAGTATGGCAGGAGTG3'	39
<i>Adiponectin</i> (off-target)	5'CTGTGGGGAAATCTGGCCTT3'	5'CAGAGTGAAGCAGCCACAGA3'	*
<i>Ap2</i> (off-target)	5'CCTGCCTCACAGCAGAATGA3'	5'GGGAGCAGGTACTIONTCTCAGC3'	*
<i>Hsl (Lipe)</i> (off-target)	5'CCATGTGTCTGGCATTCCCT3'	5'GGCATCTGTAGGGCTGTTGT3'	*

DNA primers for gene target sites were designed based on locations provided by the referenced publications within the respective assemblies (mm8 for PPRE, mm9 for GRE). Off-target control primers for verification of specificity of the immunoprecipitation were designed to be within 2 kb from the binding sites chosen, without evidence for PPAR γ or GR binding by referenced Chip-Seq data, and primer-blast (NCBI, Build 38.1) was used to avoid non-specific amplification products.