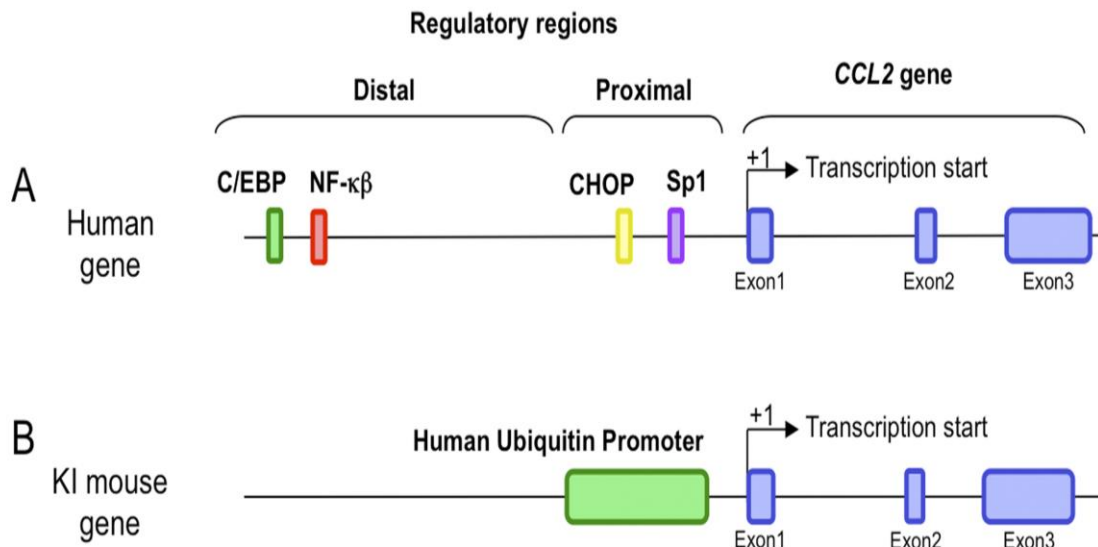


Supplementary material S1, comparison between human and murine CCL2 regions, corresponding to the manuscript:

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A, displays a schematic view of human *CCL2* gene region that includes its regulatory region and the most prominent elements identified. The *Ccl2* gene transgenic vector includes the murine CCL2 gene and the comparative position of human ubiquitin promoter (B); sequence is provided in C.



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Supplementary material S2, details of the sequence of other main elements used in the construction of the vector, corresponding to the manuscript:

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The sequence of main elements used in the construction of the vector is described according to the following, color-based legend. For clarity, flanking regions were also included.

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Supplementary material S3, details on the construct design, corresponding to the manuscript:

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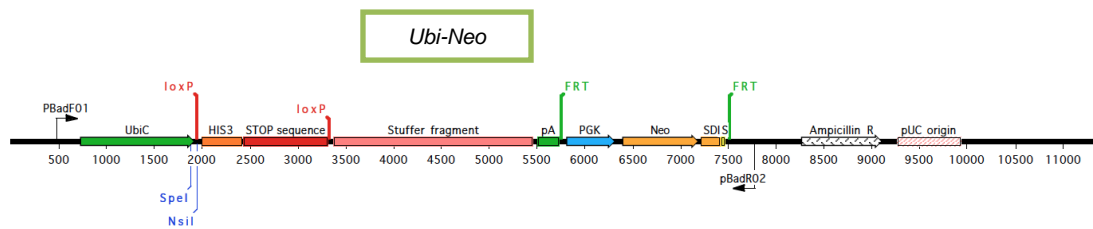
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The Knock-in Construct Design, from plasmid to electroporation

1. Overview

1.1 Vector backbone

The following plasmid (named *Ubi-Neo*) was used for construction of the *targeting vector*.



1.2 Construction fragments

Named *frag arm*, contained the genomic fragment of the gene to be introduced (*Ccl2*).

2. *frag arm* (Generation, Diagnostics and Sequencing)

2.1 Production

Using the following primers, the genomic fragment of *Ccl2* gene was amplified by PCR.

Template: C57BL/6 genomic DNA

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EcoRI Homology

P_02 5' TGAATTCTCCCTCCCTCTTTATTGGACCGAAG

EcoRI Homology

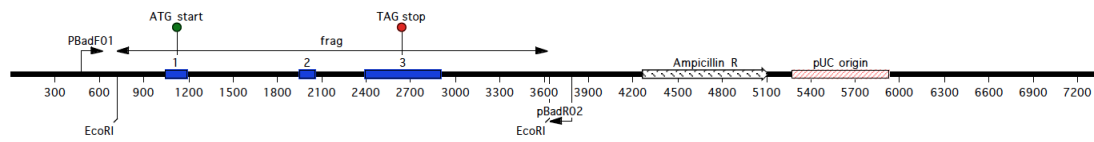
Product: 2921 bp

2.2 Cloning into pPCR

a) Sequencing with PBadF01 or PBadR02

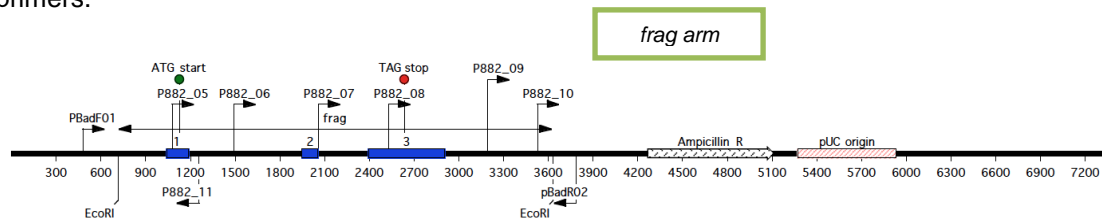
The PCR product was cloned into pPCR and screened by sequencing to confirm clones with the correct insert.

frag arm



b) Full Sequencing

Once end sequencing identified clones, a full sequence was completed using the following primers.

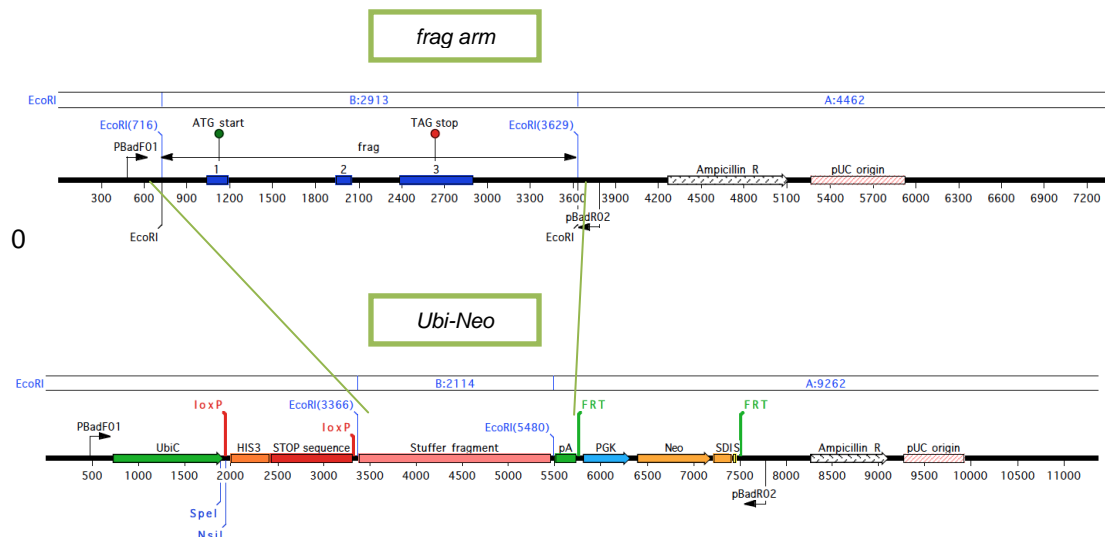


2.3 Cloning into the targeting vector

a) Restriction enzyme digest for cloning

Both *frag arm* vector (containing *Ccl2* gene) and the *Ubi-Neo* vector, were digested with *EcoRI* for cloning *Ccl2* gene into *Ubi-Neo* vector (just where the *Stuffer fragment* was placed).

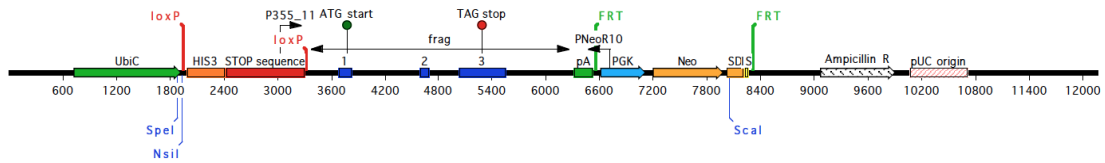
The resulting vector was named *Ubi-frag-Neo*



b) Screen by Sequencing

Clones containing the insert could be screened by end sequencing with P335_11 and PNeoR10 primers:

Ubi-frag-Neo

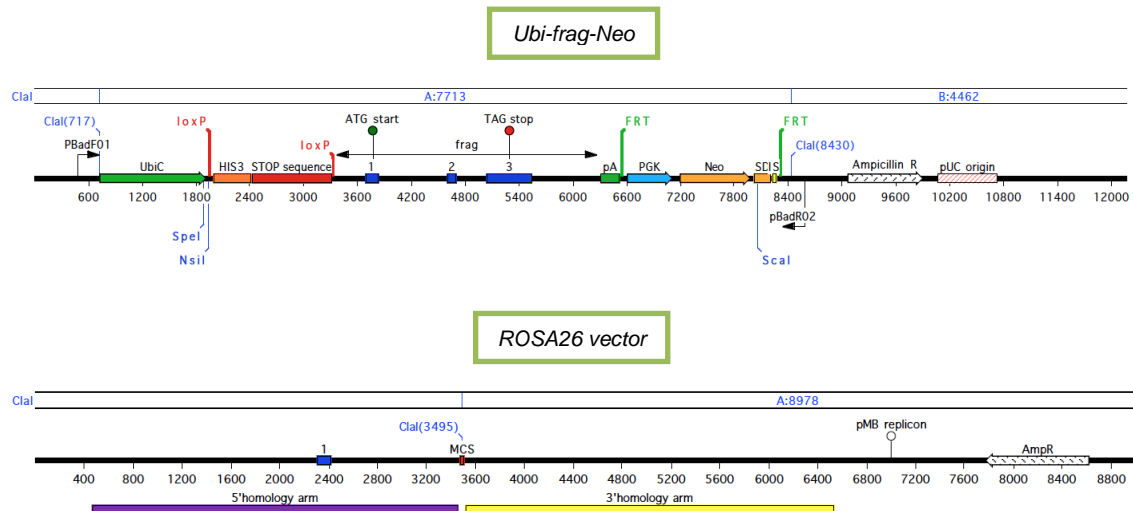


3. Cloning into the ROSA 26 vector

3.1 Cloning into the targeting vector

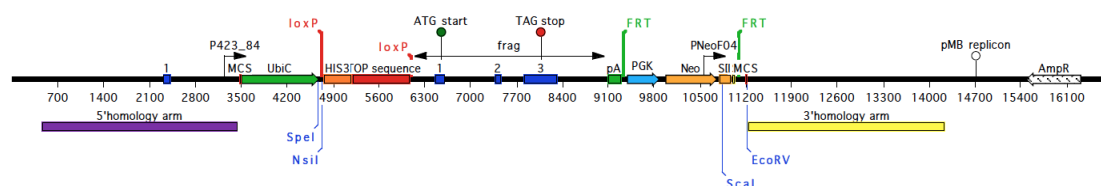
a) Restriction enzyme digest for cloning

Clal restriction enzyme was used for cloning the constructed fragment (*Ubi-frag-Neo*) into the *ROSA26 vector* (which contained homologous sequences to ROSA26).



b) Screen by Sequencing

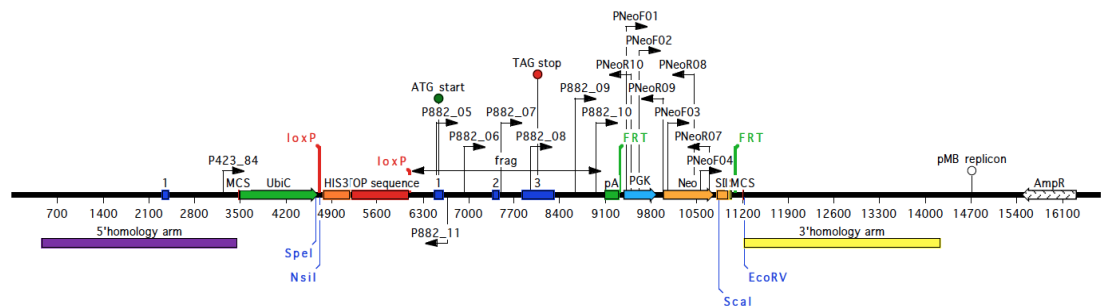
Clones that contained the insert (the *targeting vector*), were screened by end sequencing with the following primers



4. Complete Targeting Vector

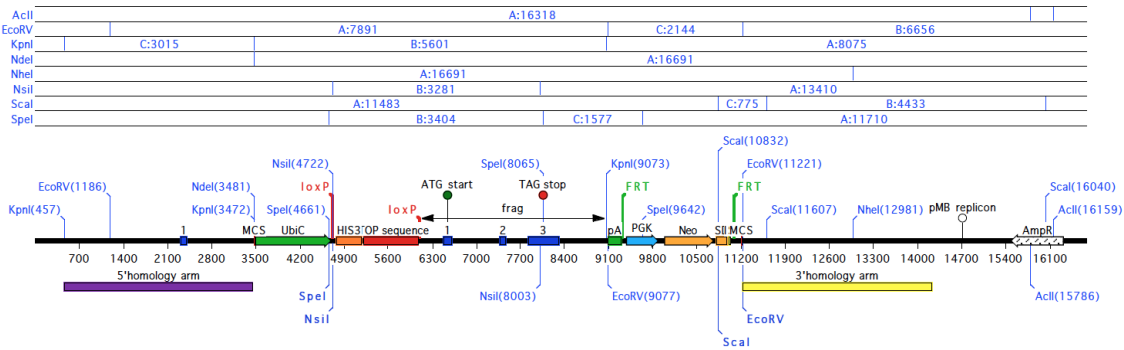
4.1 Final sequencing

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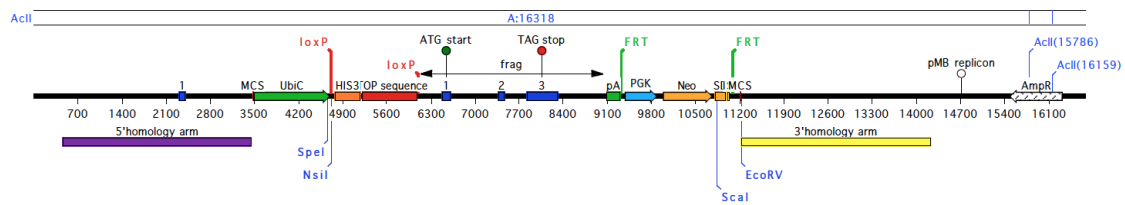
4.2 Restriction enzyme digest for Quality Control

Targeting vector was digested with several restriction enzymes as quality control strategy:



4.3 Restriction enzyme digest for electroporation

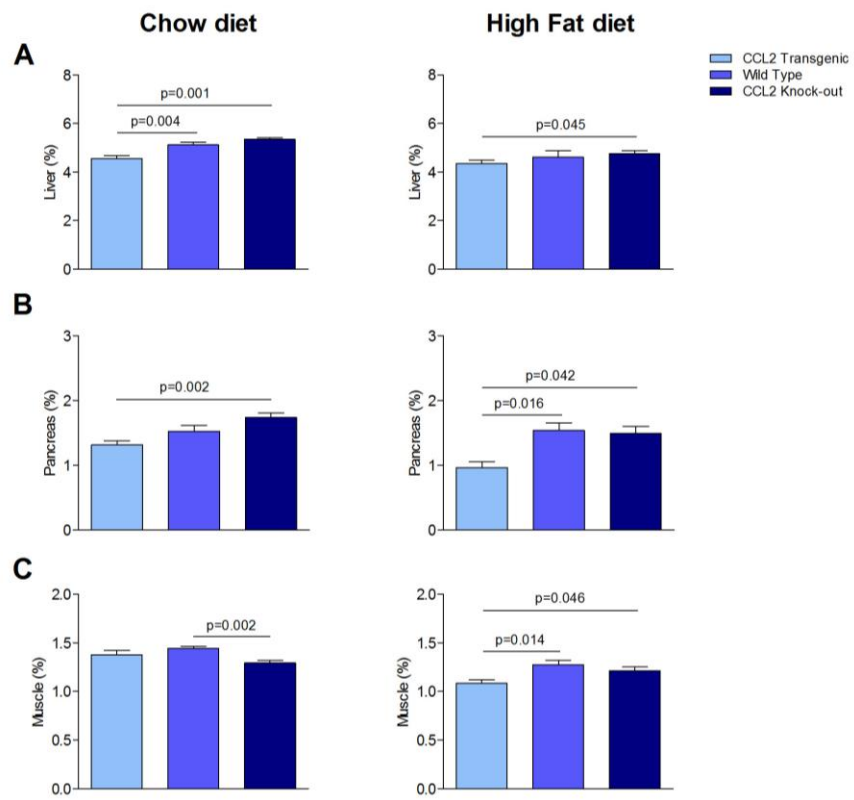
Finally, *targeting vector* was digested with AclI to obtain a suitable vector for electroporation into stem cells



Supplementary material S4, Weight of selected tissues and organs, corresponding to the manuscript:

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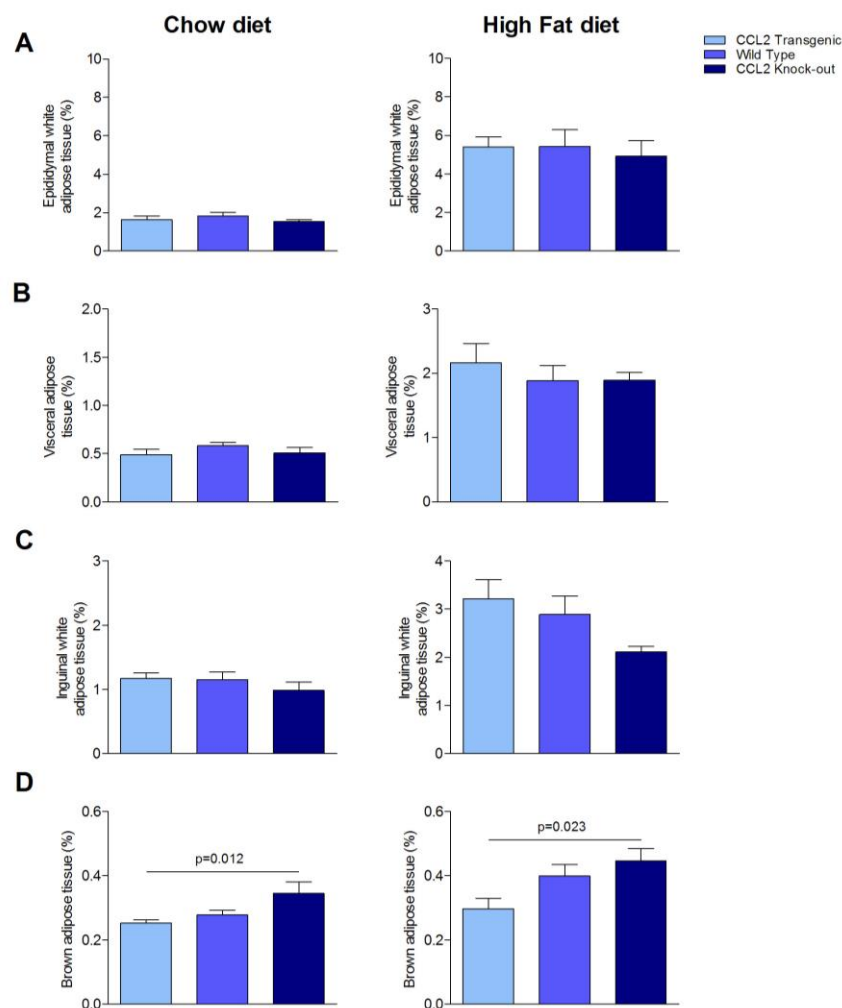
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Supplementary material S5, Weight of adipose tissues in the three strains after 14 weeks of a chow diet or high fat diet treatment.

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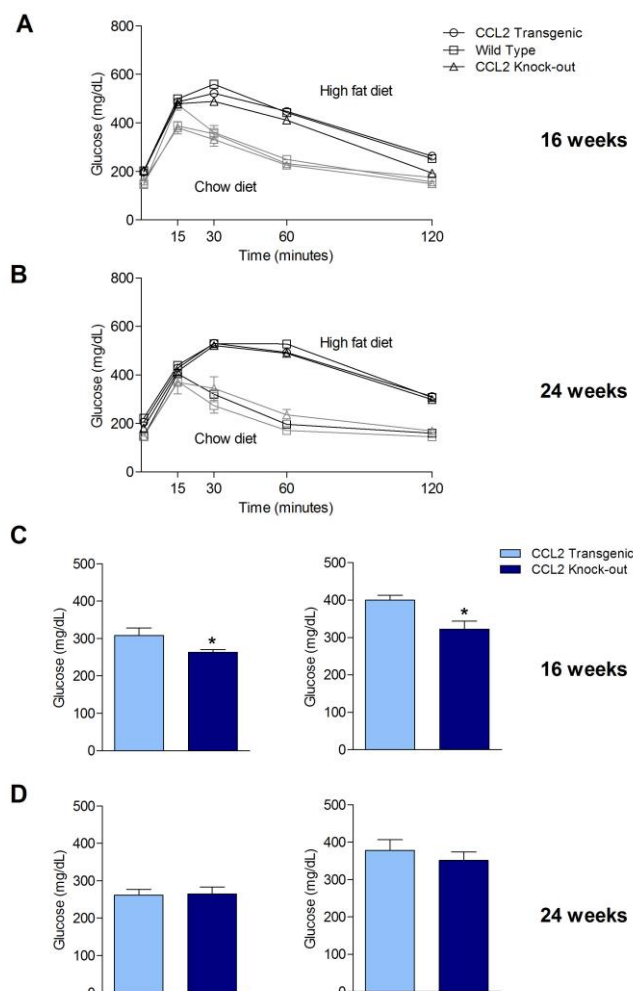


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Oral glucose tolerance tests displayed a significant effect of high fat, high-cholesterol diet on insulin resistance even with a short-term manipulation. However, differences among strains fed the same diet were negligible either in 16 and 24 weeks old (A, B). Plasma glucose was higher in CCL2 overexpressors than in other strains and the effect of diet was also more evident (C). These differences disappeared when the dietary treatment was for 14 weeks (D).

* P<0.05 with respect to relevant pair.

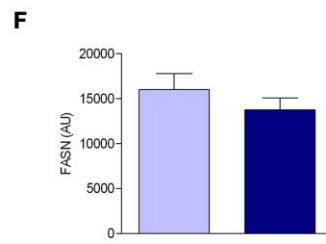
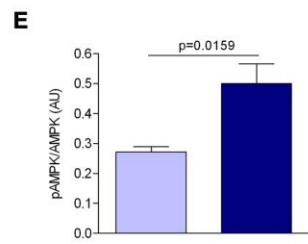
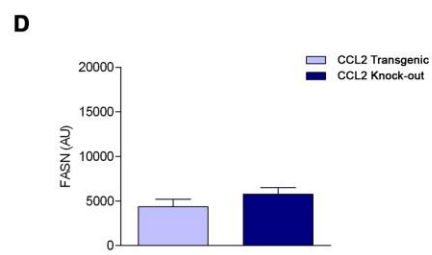
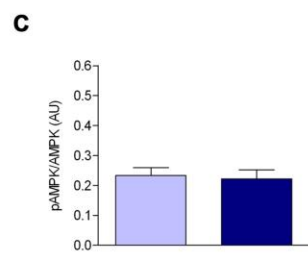
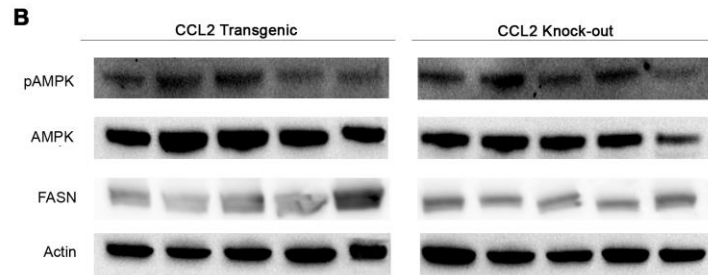
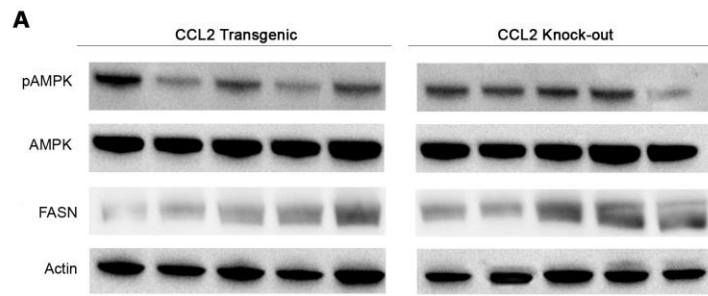


Supplementary material S7, expression of fatty acid synthase and AMPK in the liver, corresponding to the manuscript:

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Representative immunoblottings in the liver of transgenic and KO mice fed chow diet (A,C,D) and high-fat diet (B,E, F) of FASN and activated AMPK and the respective calculations (C-F) .

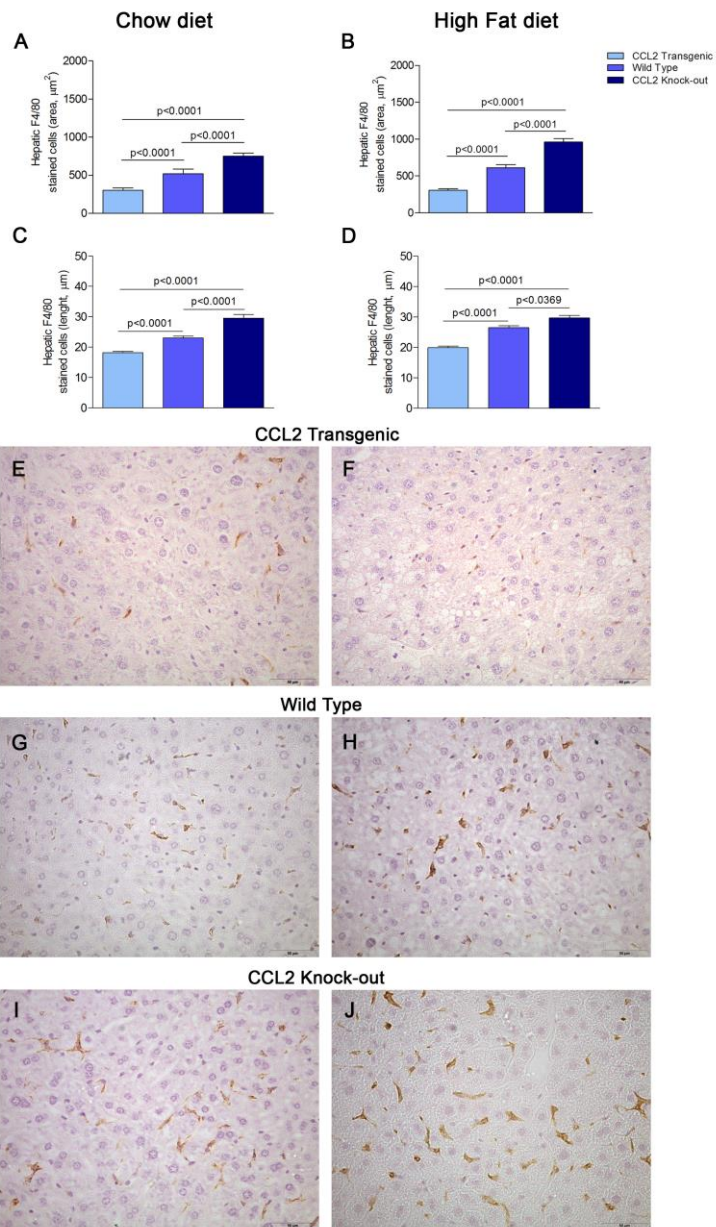


Supplementary material S8 dietary fat and overexpression of CCL2 modify the size, number and morphology of liver macrophages also after 14 weeks of dietary treatment corresponding to the manuscript:

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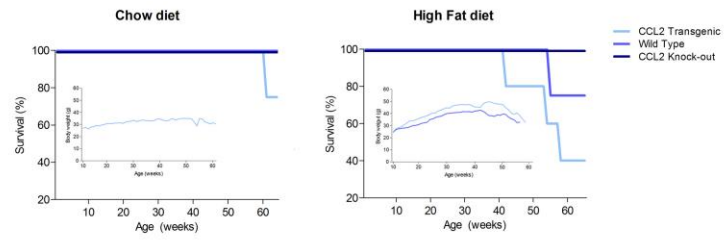
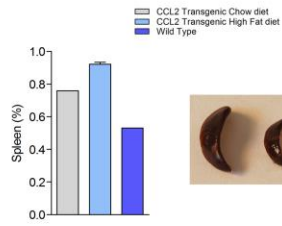
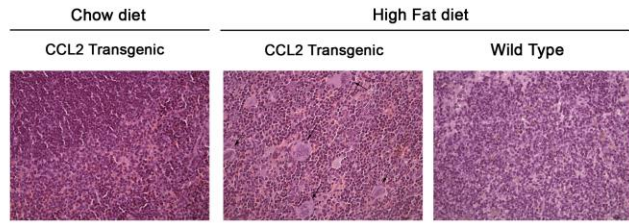
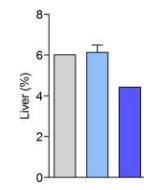
Dietary fat (right column) and CCL2 expression modify the size, number and morphology of liver macrophages with respect to those fed a chow diet (left column) as assessed with F4/80 staining. Values for stained area and length of macrophages (A-D) are illustrated with representative microphotographs from transgenic (E,F), WT (G,H) and KO mice (I,J).



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Transgenic mice fed high-fat diet died prematurely after a progressive decrease in weight and activity (A,B). The size of the spleen in transgenic animals was higher than in controls and there were abundant megakaryocytes (C, D). The livers were also higher in transgenic mice where steatosis and signs of regenerative tissue and apoptotic nuclei were numerous (E,F)

A**B****C****D****E**