Supplemental Information

Hypothalamic AMPK-ER Stress-JNK1

Axis Mediates the Central Actions

of Thyroid Hormones on Energy Balance

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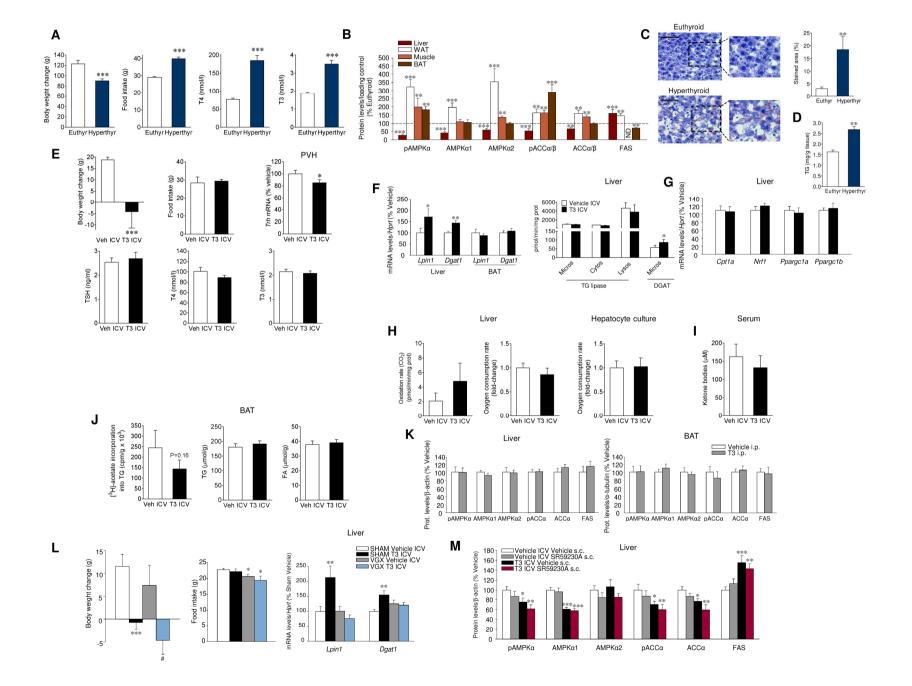


FIGURE S1 related to Figure 1. Effect of peripheral or central TH on liver and BAT metabolism

- (A) Body weight change, daily food intake, circulating levels of T4 and T3 of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats (n=9-18 rats/group).
- (B) Protein levels of the AMPK pathway in the liver, WAT, muscle and BAT of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats. Data are expressed as a percentage of controls for each tissue. In this sense, to simplify the graphs, the control bars have been omitted and the control level (100%) represented as a dotted line. In the ACC analyses the data shown ACC α for liver, WAT and BAT and ACC β for the muscle. In the muscle samples, as expected, FAS expression was non-detected (ND) (n=8-17 rats/group).
- (C) Representative Oil Red O images (left panel; 20x; scale bar: $100 \mu m$), staining analysis (right panel) and (D) triglyceride (TG) levels in the liver of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats (n=10-18 rats/group).
- (E) Body weight change, daily food intake, TRH mRNA levels in the paraventricular nucleus of the hypothalamus (PVH) and circulating levels of TSH, T4 and T3 of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=9-11 rats/group; 7 for the mRNA analysis).
- **(F)** *Lpin* and *Dgat1* mRNA levels in the liver and BAT (left panel), microsomal, cytosolic and lysosomal TG lipase and DGAT activities (right panel) and **(G)** lipid oxidative gene expression in the liver of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=8-10 rats/group; 5 rats/group were assayed).
- (H) Lipid oxidation rate (left panel), oxygen consumption rate (middle panel) in the liver and oxygen consumption in hepatocyte cultures (right panel), (I) circulating ketone bodies of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=4-5 rats/group).
- (**J**) [³H]-acetate incorporation into TG (left panel), TG levels (middle panel) and FA levels (right panel) in the BAT of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=6-10 animals), (**K**) protein levels of the AMPK pathway in the liver (left panel) and BAT (right panel) of rats with intraperitoneal (i.p.) administration of T3 at the same dose used ICV (n=7-10 rats/group).
- (L) Body weight change (left panel), daily food intake (middle panel) and *Lpin* and *Dgat1* mRNA levels in the liver (right panel) of sham and vagotomized (VGX) rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=13-14 rats/group; 9 for the mRNA analysis).
- (M) Protein levels of AMPK pathway in the liver of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and s.c. treated with the β 3-AR specific antagonist SR59230A (n=7 rats/group).
- *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs. euthyroid, vehicle ICV, sham vehicle ICV, vehicle ICV vehicle s.c. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

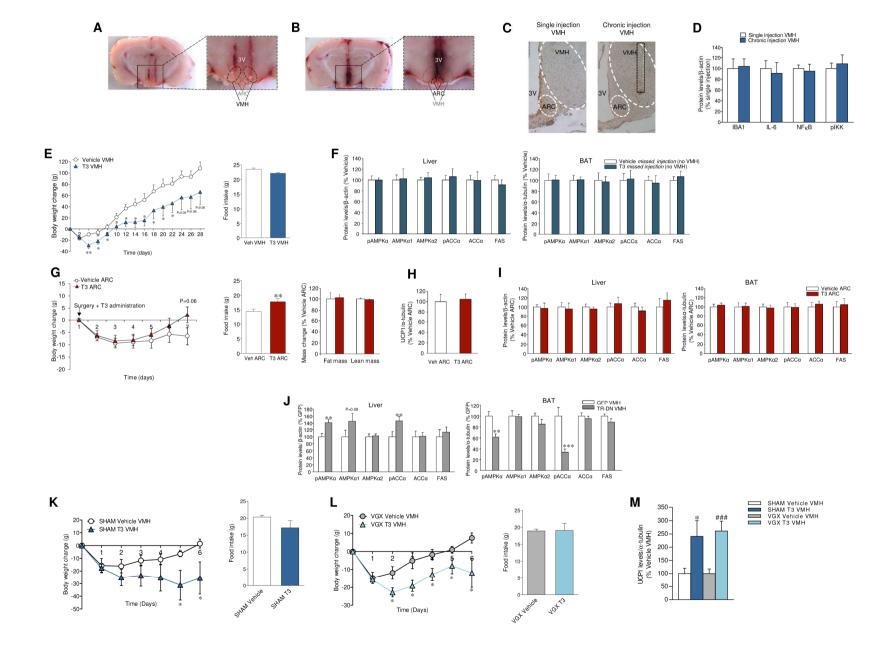


FIGURE S2 related to Figure 2. Effect of VMH T3 on liver and BAT metabolism

- (A) Histological images of coronal sections of the rat brains showing the localization of the cannulae in the ventromedial (VMH) and (B) arcuate (ARC) nuclei of the hypothalamus.
- (C) Immunoreactivity of IBA1 and (D) protein levels of inflammatory markers in the VMH from single or chronic injection in the VMH (n=6-7 rats/group).
- (E) Body weight change (left panel) and daily food intake (right panel) of rats and chronically treated in the VMH with vehicle or T3 (n=9 rats/group).
- **(F)** Protein levels of the AMPK pathway in liver (left panel) and BAT (right panel) of rats receiving T3 "*missed*" injections in "*VMH neighboring areas*" (n=7 rats/group).
- (G) Body weight (left panel), daily food intake (middle panel) and mass change (right panel) of rats treated in the ARC with vehicle or T3 (n=9 rats/group).
- (H) Protein levels of UCP1 in BAT and (I) the AMPK pathway in liver (left panel) and BAT (right panel) of rats treated in the ARC with vehicle or T3 (n=7 rats/group).
- (J) Protein levels the AMPK pathway in liver (left panel) and BAT (right panel) of rats treated in the VMH with adenovirus encoding GFP or a dominant negative mutant of thyroid hormone receptor (TR-DN) (n=7 rats/group).
- (K) Body weight change (left panels) and (L) daily food intake (right panels) of sham and vagotomized (VGX) rats treated in the VMH with vehicle or T3 (n=7-8 rats/group).
- (M) Protein levels of UCP1 in BAT of sham and VGX rats treated in the VMH with vehicle or T3 (n=7 rats/group).
- *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs. vehicle VMH, vehicle ARC. GFP or sham vehicle VMH; ### P<0.001 vs. VGX Vehicle VMH. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

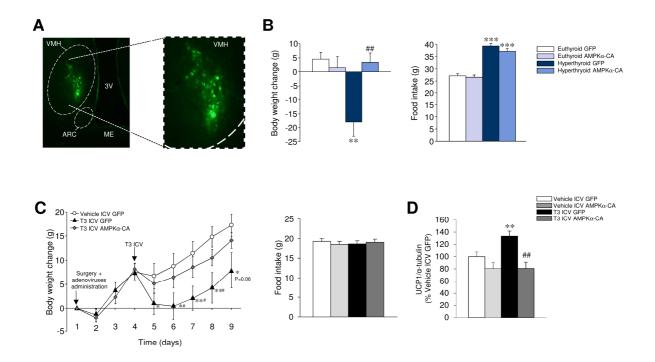


FIGURE S3 related to Figure 3. Effect of AMPK in the VMH on the central actions of THs on liver and BAT metabolism

- (A) Direct fluorescence of GFP (left: 4x, right: 20x) in the ventromedial nucleus of the hypothalamus (VMH) of rats treated in the VMH with adenoviruses encoding GFP.
- (B) Body weight change (left panel) and daily food intake (right panel) of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats treated in the VMH with adenoviruses encoding GFP or a constitutive active mutant of AMP-activated protein kinase alpha (AMPK α -CA) (n=17-24 rats/group).
- (C) Body weight change (left panel) and daily food intake (right panel) of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and treated in the VMH with adenoviruses encoding GFP or AMPK α -CA (n=7 rats/group).
- (D) Protein levels of UCP1 in BAT of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and treated in the VMH with adenovirus encoding GFP or AMPK α -CA (n=7 rats/group).
- *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs. euthyroid GFP or vehicle ICV GFP; #P<0.05, ##P<0.01 vs. hyperthyroid GFP or T3 ICV GFP. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

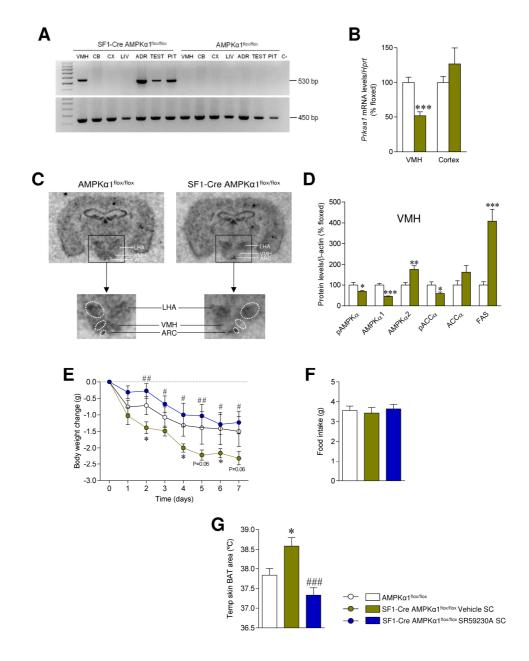


FIGURE S4 related to Figure 4. Validation of the deletion of AMPK $\!\alpha 1$ in SF1 neurons and effect of $\beta 3$ - AR blockage

- (A) PCR genotyping using samples from the ventromedial nucleus of the hypothalamus (VMH), cerebellum (CB), cortex (CX), liver (LIV), adrenal gland (ADR), testes (TEST), pituitary (PIT) of SF1-Cre AMPK $\alpha 1^{flox/flox}$ and AMPK $\alpha 1^{flox/flox}$ mice. C-: negative control.
- **(B)** *Prkaa1* mRNA levels in the VMH and cortex of SF1-Cre AMPK α 1 flox/flox and AMPK α 1 flox/flox mice (n=8 mice/group).
- (C) Representative *in situ* hybridization images obtained with an oligo against *Prkaa1* in SF1-Cre AMPK α 1 flox/flox and AMPK α 1 flox/flox mice. The magnification shows the hypothalamus, where positive signal is found in the arcuate nucleus (ARC) and the VMH, as well as in the lateral hypothalamic area (LHA) of AMPK α 1 flox/flox mice. In the SF1-Cre AMPK α 1 flox/flox no signal is found in the VMH.
- (**D**) Protein levels of the AMPK pathway in the VMH of SF1-Cre AMPK α 1 flox/flox and AMPK α 1 flox/flox mice (n=7 mice/group).
- (E) Body weight change, (F) food intake and (G) temperature of BAT skin area of AMPK $\alpha 1^{flox/flox}$ mice and SF1-Cre AMPK $\alpha 1^{flox/flox}$ mice s.c. treated with vehicle or the $\beta 3$ -AR specific antagonist SR59230A (n=7 mice/group).
- *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs. AMPK α 1^{flox/flox}; #P<0.05, ##P<0.01 and ###P<0.001 vs. SF1-Cre AMPK α 1^{flox/flox} vehicle s.c. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

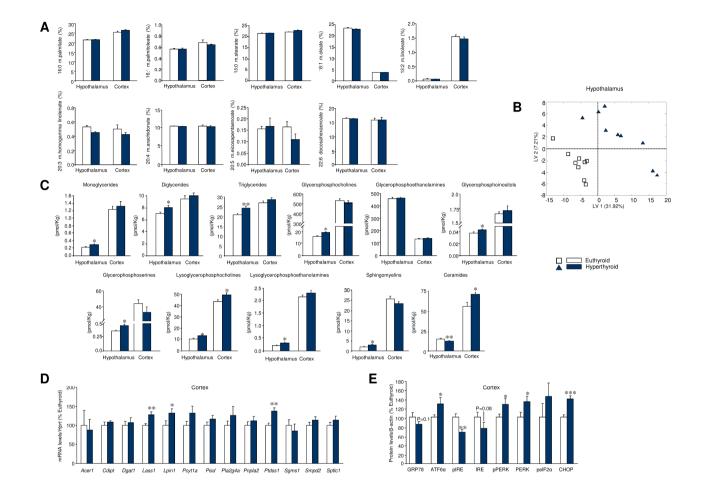


FIGURE S5 related to Figure 5. Effect of THs on hypothalamic lipid composition

- (A) Fatty acid composition, (B) comparative multivariate analysis, (C) levels of lipid species in hypothalamus and cortex of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats (n=9 rats/group).
- (**D**) mRNA levels of enzymes involved in metabolism of complex lipids and (**E**) protein levels of the UPR in the cortex of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats (n=7-8 rats/group).
- *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs. euthyroid. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

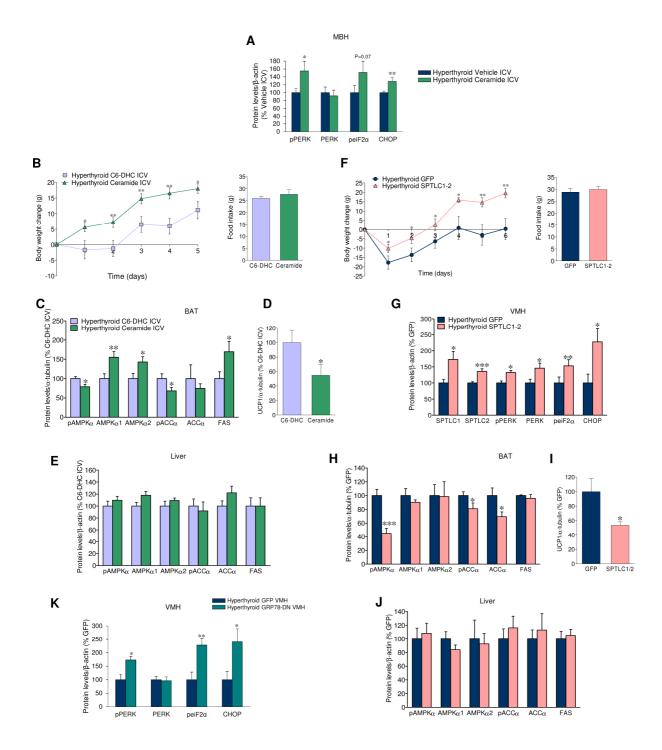


FIGURE S6 related to Figure 6. Effect of hypothalamic ceramides pathway on the central actions of THs on liver and BAT metabolism

- (A) Protein levels of the UPR in the mediobasal hypothalamus (MBH) in hyperthyroid rats ICV treated with a vehicle or C6 ceramide (n=8-9 rats/group).
- **(B)** Body weight change (left panel) and daily food intake (right panel) of hyperthyroid rats ICV treated with C6 ceramide or C6-dihydroceramide (C6-DHC) (n=8-9 rats/group).
- (C-E) Protein levels of the AMPK pathway in the BAT (C), UCP1 in the BAT (D) and the AMPK pathway in the liver (E) of hyperthyroid rats ICV treated with C6 ceramide or C6-dihydroceramide (C6-DHC) (n=7 rats/group).
- **(F)** Body weight change (left panel) and daily food intake (right panel) of hyperthyroid rats treated in the ventromedial nucleus of the hypothalamus (VMH) with adenoviruses encoding GFP or serine palmitoyltransferase, long chain subunit 1-2 (SPTLC1-2) (n=8-9 rats/group).

- (G-J) Protein levels of SPTCL1-2 and the UPR in the hypothalamus (G), the AMPK pathway in the BAT (H), UCP1 in the BAT (I) and the AMPK pathway in the liver (J) of hyperthyroid rats treated in the VMH with adenoviruses encoding GFP or SPTLC1-2 (n=7 rats/group).
- (**K**) Protein levels of the UPR in the VMH of hyperthyroid rats treated in the VMH with adenoviruses encoding GFP or a dominant negative mutant of glucose regulated protein 78 KDa (GRP78-DN) (n=7-14 rats/group). *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 vs Hyperthyroid vehicle ICV, Hyperthyroid C6-DHC ICV and Hyperthyroid GFP. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

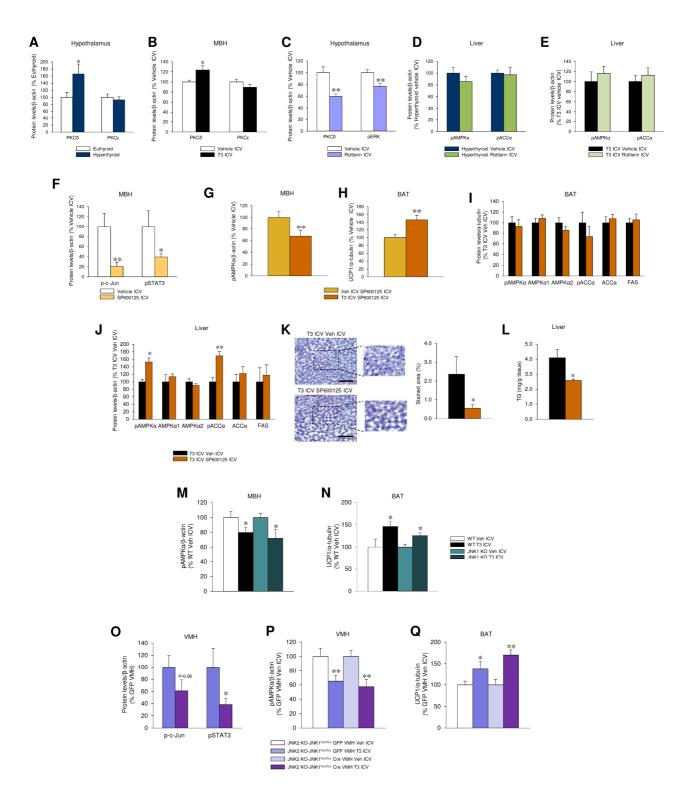


FIGURE S7 related to Figure 7. Effect JNK1 in the VMH on the central actions of T3 on liver and BAT metabolism

- (A) Protein levels of PKC δ and PKC ϵ in the hypothalamus of euthyroid and hyperthyroid rats (n=7 rats/group).
- (B) Protein levels of PKC δ and PKC ϵ in the mediobasal hypothalamus (MBH) of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=7 rats/group).
- (C) Protein levels of PKC δ and PKC ϵ in the hypothalamus of rats ICV treated with vehicle or the PCK inhibitor rottlerin (n=7 rats/group).
- (D) Protein levels of pAMPK α and pACC α in the liver of hyperthyroid rats ICV treated with vehicle or rottlerin (n=7 rats/group).

- (E) Protein levels of pAMPK α and pACC α in the liver of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and also with vehicle or rottlerin (n=7 rats/group).
- **(F)** Protein levels of p-c-Jun, pSTAT3 in the MBH of rats ICV treated with vehicle or the JNK inhibitor SP600125 (n=7 rats/group).
- (G-H) Protein levels of pAMPK α in the MBH (G) and UCP1 in the BAT (H) of rats ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and SP600125 (n=7 rats/group).
- (I) Protein levels of the AMPK pathway in the BAT of rats ICV treated with T3 and vehicle or SP600125 (n=7 rats/group).
- **J**) Protein levels of AMPK pathway in the liver, (**K**) representative Oil Red O images (left panel; 20x; scale bar: $100 \mu m$), staining analysis (right panel) and (**L**) triglyceride (TG) levels in the liver of rats ICV treated with T3 and vehicle or SP600125 (n=7-8 rats/group).
- (M-N) Protein levels of pAMPK α in the MBH (M) and UCP1 in the BAT (N) of *jnk1* null (JNK1 KO) and wildtype (WT) mice ICV treated with vehicle or T3 (n=4-6 mice/group).
- (**O-Q**) Protein levels of p-c-Jun, pSTAT3 (**O**), pAMPKα in the VMH (**P**) and UCP1 in the BAT (**Q**) of *jnk2* null-*jnk1 floxed* (JNK2 KO-JNK1^{flox/flox}) ICV treated with vehicle or T3 and treated in the VMH with AAV encoding GFP or Cre (n=5-7 mice/group).
- **P*<0.05, ***P*<0.01, *vs.* euthyroid, vehicle ICV (in the mice experiments for both genotypes), vehicle ICV SP600125 ICV or T3 ICV vehicle ICV. All data are expressed as mean±SEM.

TABLE S1. Primers and probes for real-time PCR (TaqMan) analysis related to STAR Methods

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