Altered Chaperone-Non-Muscle Myosin II Interactions Drive Pathogenicity of the UNC45A c.710T>C Variant in Osteo-Oto-Hepato-Enteric Syndrome

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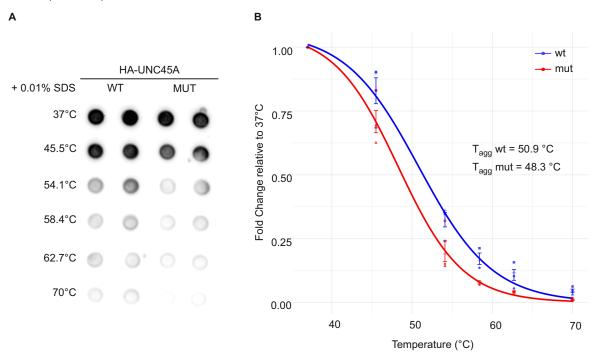
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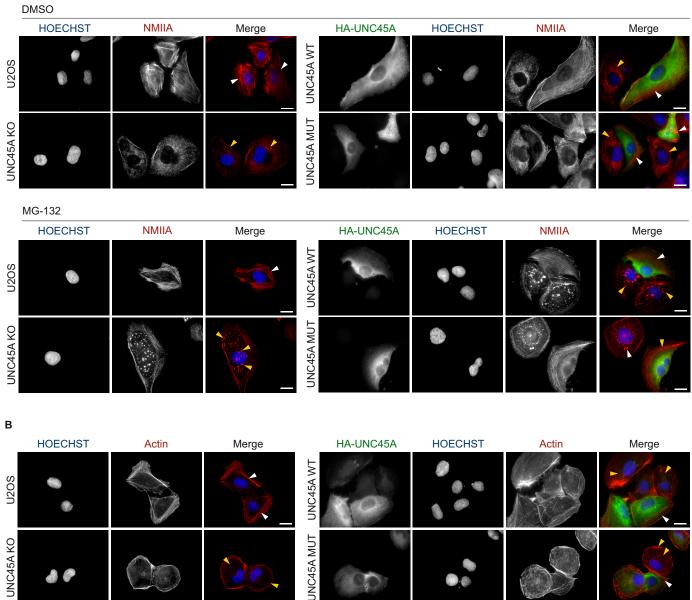


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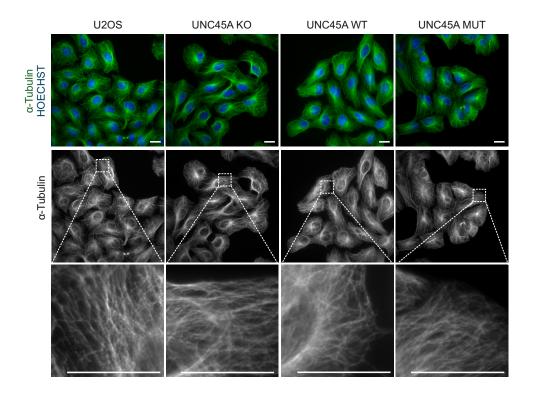
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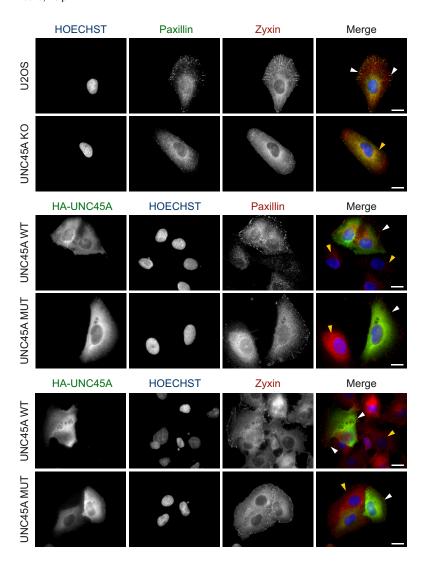
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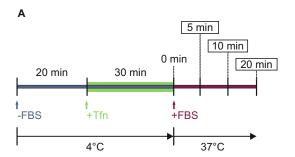


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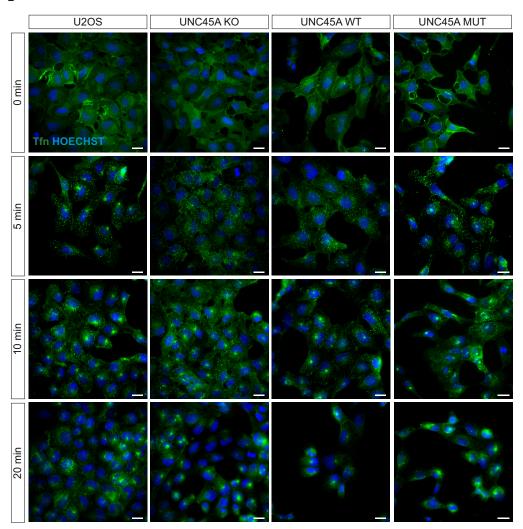
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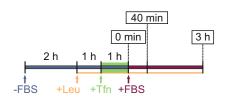


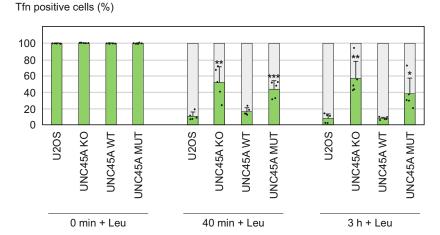
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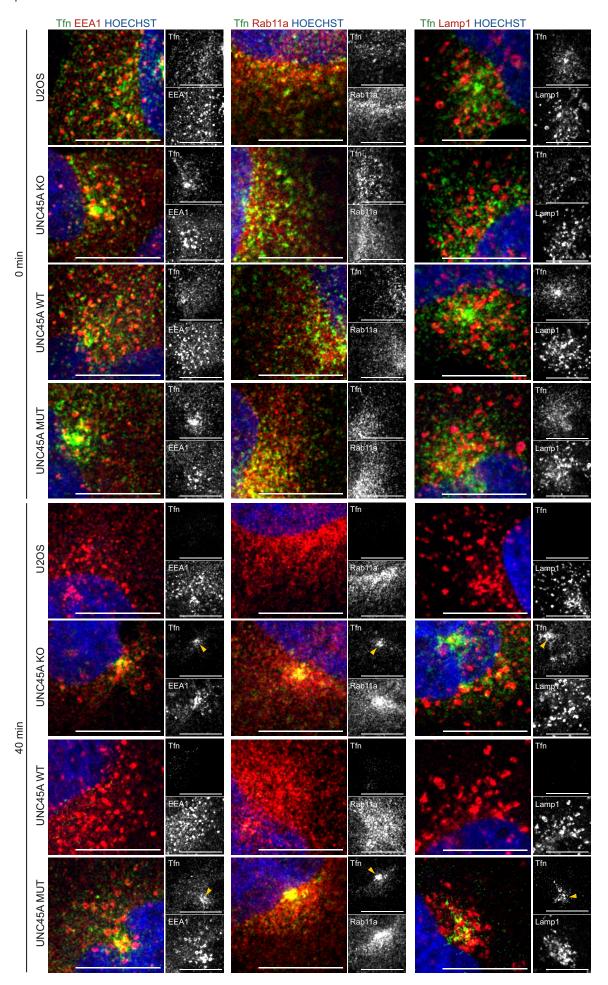
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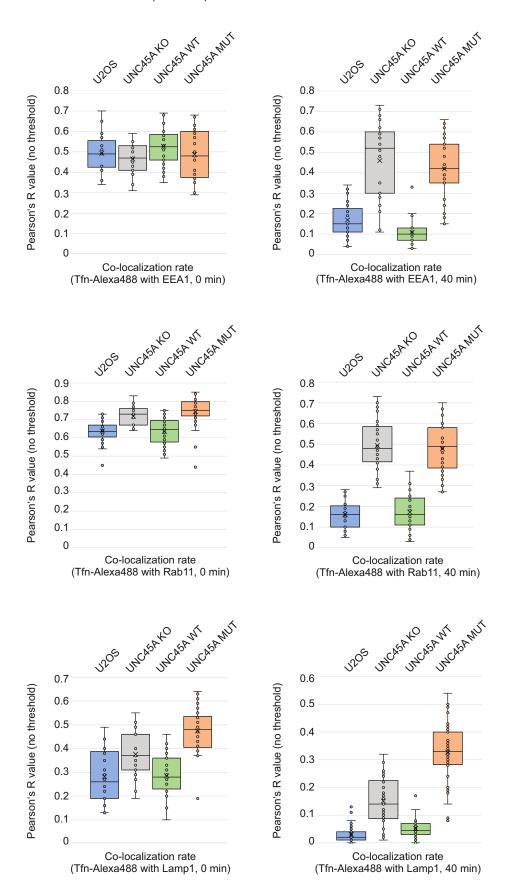
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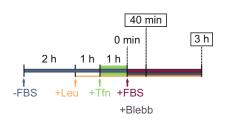


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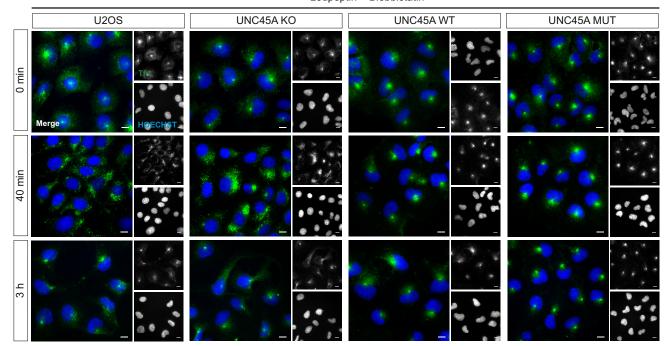
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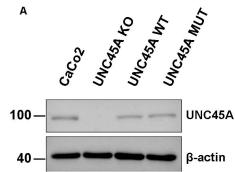
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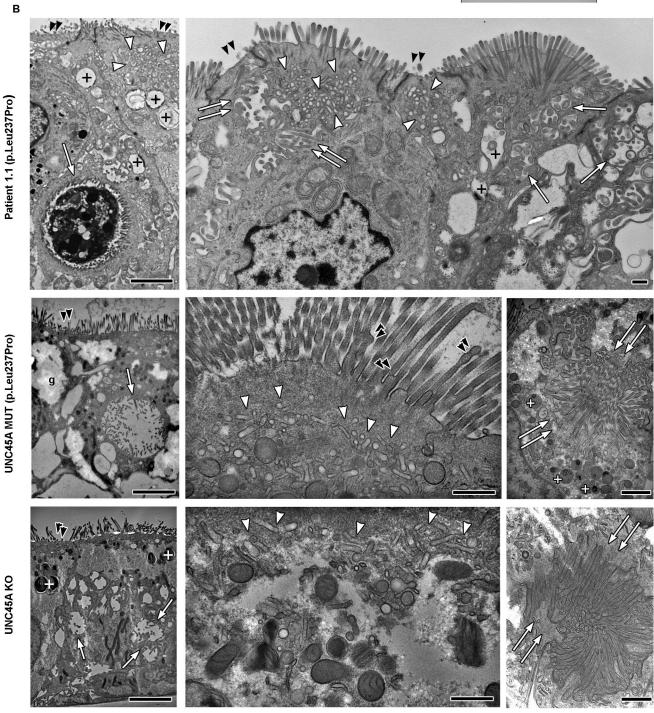
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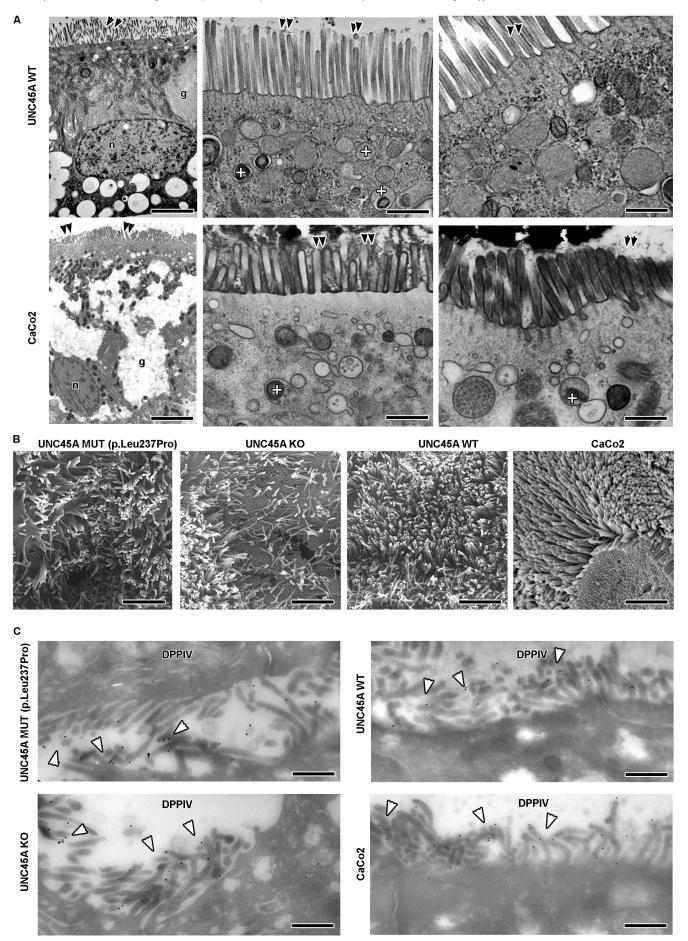


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