

Supplementary Video

Supplementary Video 1. Mitochondria transfer from macrophages to MSCs. Related to Figure 1. Mitotracker Deep Red (red signal) labeled macrophages were co-cultured with Mitotracker Green (green signal) labeled MSCs. Nuclei were labeled with Hoechst 33342 (blue signal). Scale bar, 15 μ m.

Supplementary Figures

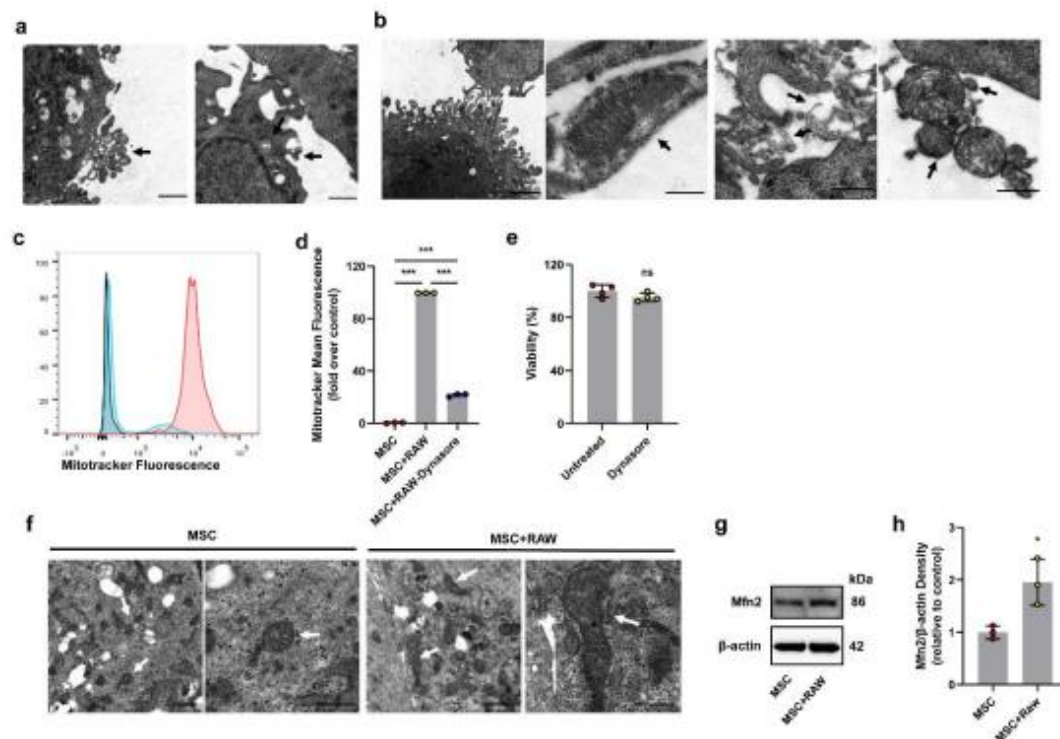


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(a) Mitochondria released by macrophages. Scale bar, 2 μ m; (b) Transmission electron micrographs taken after macrophage contact with MSCs (right panel). Scale bar, 2 μ m. Macrophages transfer mitochondria as TNTs (right second panel) and MVs (right second, third panel). Scale bar, 0.5 μ m ($n = 4$). (c, d) Flow cytometry analysis of the ability of MSCs to endocytose mitochondria in the absence or presence of dynasore (Dynasore+RAW) ($n = 3$);

one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (e) Relative viability of MSCs after 24 h treatment with 50 μ M dynasore, as assessed by CCK8 assay for untreated ($n = 4$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (f) Transmission electron micrograph of untreated MSCs (left panel). Scale bar, 1 μ m. Mitochondrial morphology of untreated MSCs is short (left second panel). Scale bar, 0.5 μ m. Transmission electron micrograph of MSCs after 24 h exposure to macrophages (right panel). Scale bar, 1 μ m. Mitochondrial hyperfusion was shown in MSCs (right second panel). Scale bar, 0.5 μ m ($n = 4$). (g, h) Western blot of Mfn2 expression in MSCs after 24 h exposure to macrophages ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

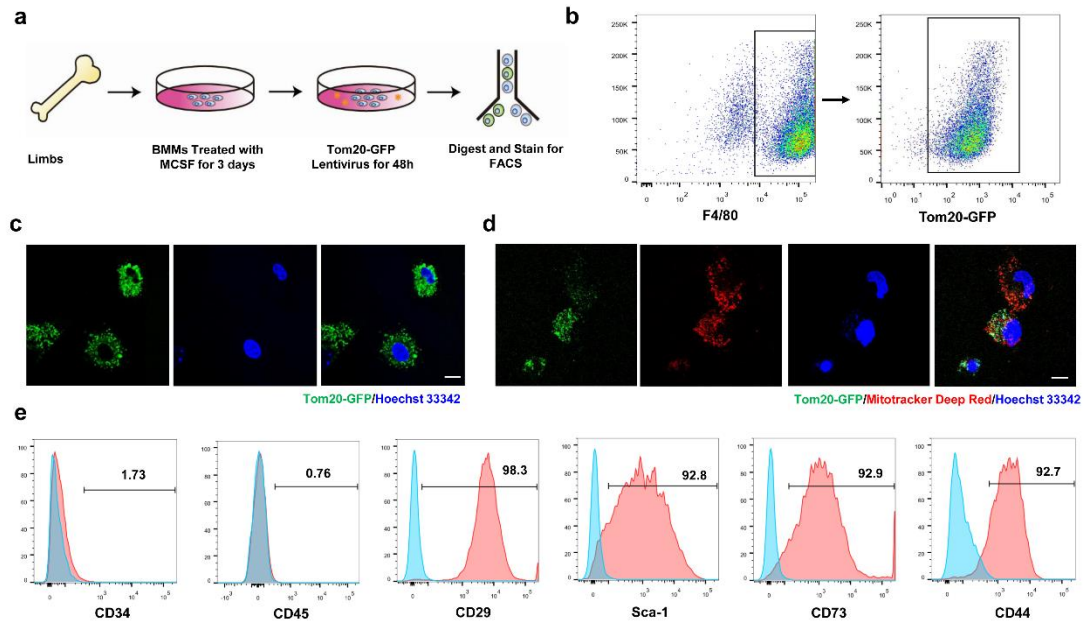


Figure S2. Analysis of macrophage mitochondrial transfer *in vivo*. Related to Figure 1.

(a-c) Schematic of obtaining Tom20-GFP expressing BMMs (a). Flow cytometry (b) and confocal microscopy analysis (c) to identify cells ($n = 3$). Scale bar, 5 μm . (d) Representative confocal microscopy pictures of Tom20-GFP (+) BMM (green) incubated with MSC for 24 hours, MSCs were previously labeled with Mitotracker Deep Red (red), and Nuclei were labeled with Hoechst 33342 (blue) ($n=3$). Scale bar, 10 μm . (e) Positive expression of MSC markers, including CD29, Sca-1, CD73 and CD44. There was no hematopoietic contamination of the cells as indicated by the lack of expression of CD45 and CD34 ($n = 3$). Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

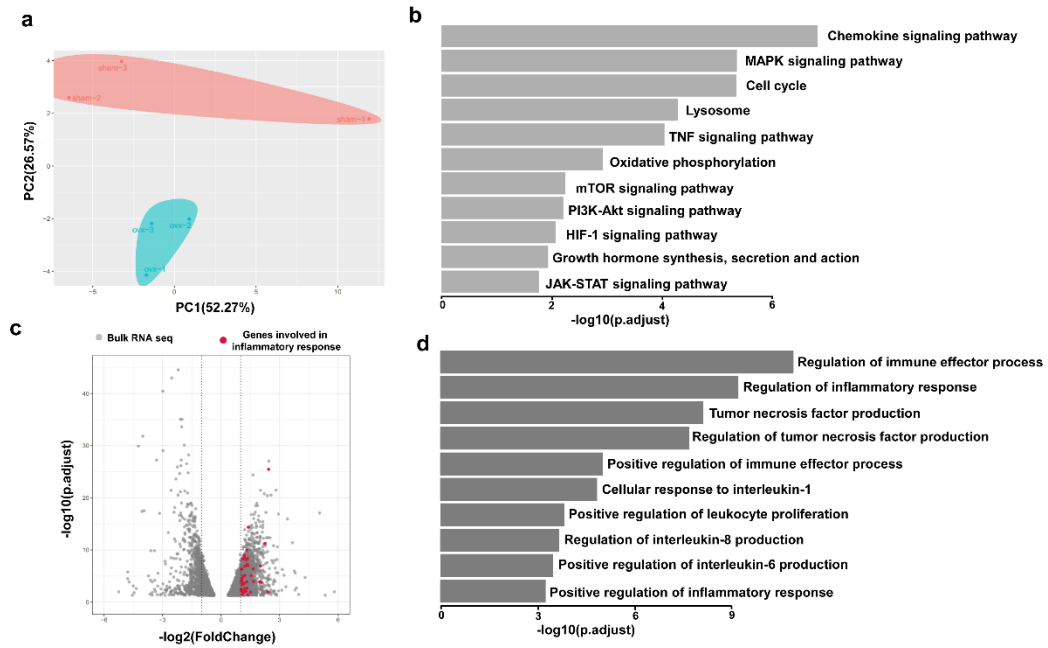


Figure S3. Bioinformatics analysis of macrophages in a mouse model of osteoporosis.

Related to Figure 2.

(a) PCA based on all identified genes ($n = 3$). (b) KEGG analysis of RNA-seq data from sham or OVX-treated BMMs ($n = 3$). (c) Volcanic map of genes involved in inflammation ($n = 3$). (d) GO analysis of genes involved in inflammation ($n = 3$). Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

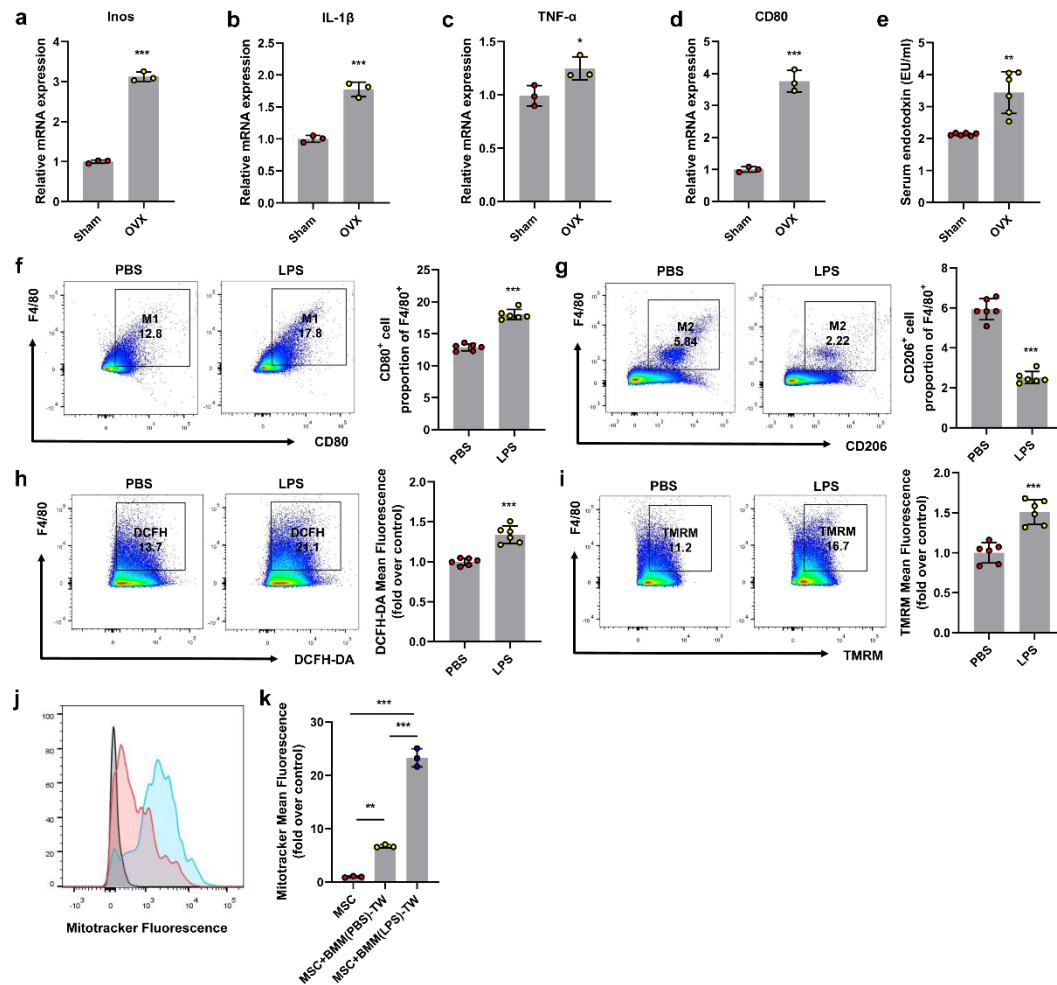


Figure S4. Endotoxin induces an increased proportion of inflammatory M1-like macrophages. Related to Figure 3.

(a-d) qPCR analysis of *Inos*, *IL-1 β* , *TNF- α* and *CD80* expression in sham or OVX-treated BMs ($n = 3$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (e) Detection of endotoxin levels in serum of sham and OVX mice ($n = 6$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (f) Flow cytometry analysis of PBS and LPS-treated mice (left) and quantification of CD80⁺F4/80⁺ macrophages in total bone marrow cells (right) ($n = 6$). (g) Flow cytometric analysis of PBS and LPS-treated mice (left) and quantification of CD206⁺F4/80⁺ macrophages in total bone marrow cells (right) ($n = 6$) two-tailed Student's t-test. (h) Macrophages from PBS and LPS-treated mice were co-treated with DCFH-DA and F4/80 for 30 min, by flow cytometry to quantify ROS, and mean fluorescence intensity was quantified as a measure of cellular reactive oxygen species production ($n = 6$). (i) Macrophages from PBS and LPS-treated mice were co-treated with TMRM and F4/80 for 30 min and then analyzed by flow cytometry to quantify membrane potential ($n = 6$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (j, k) Flow cytometric analysis (j) and

quantification of mean fluorescence intensity (k) of Mitotracker Deep Red-labeled mitochondrial internalization by MSCs in the presence of from PBS group (red line) or LPS group (blue line) macrophages. Grey line represents untreated MSCs ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

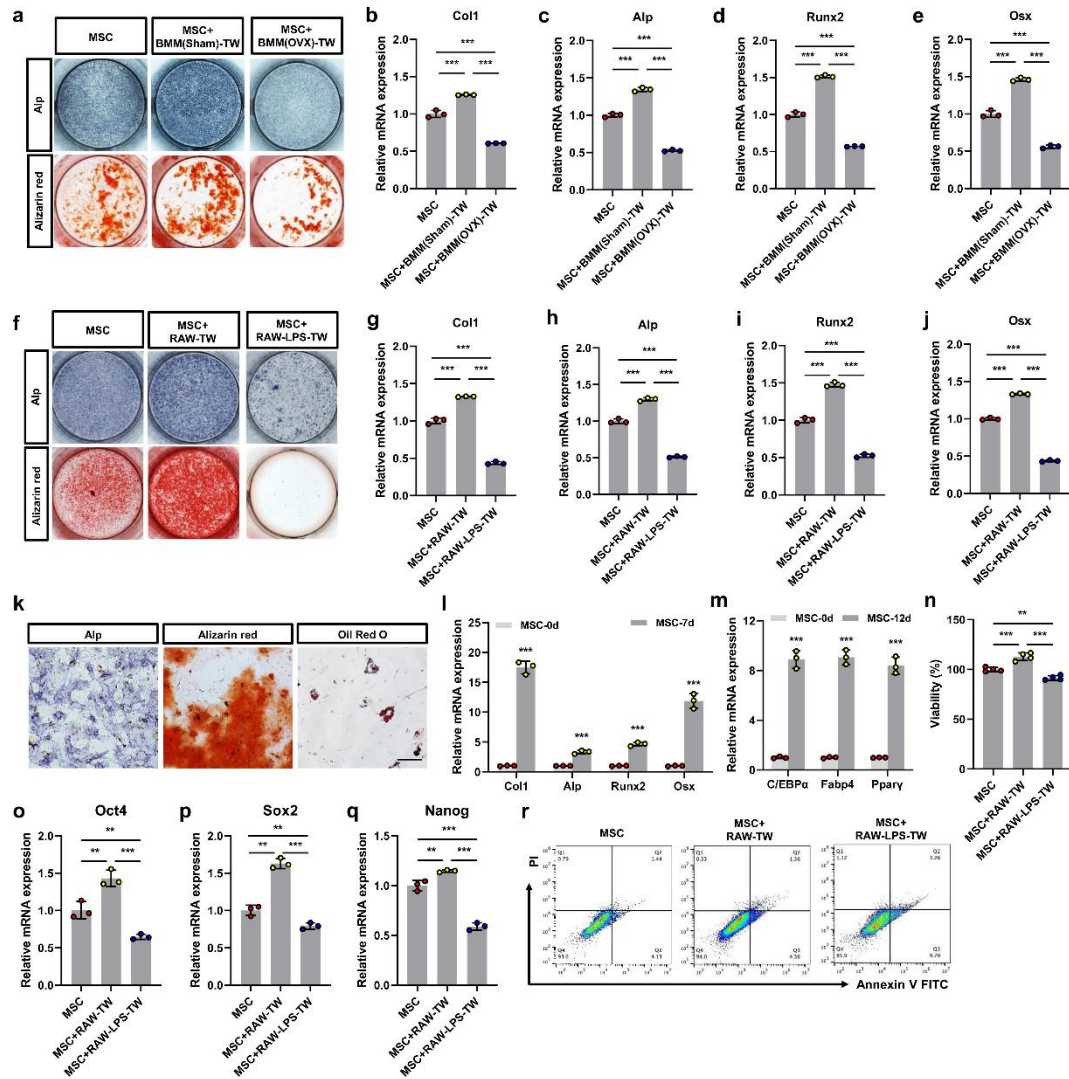


Figure S5. Mitochondria released by M1-like macrophages inhibit the osteogenic differentiation of MSCs. Related to Figure 3.

(a-e) Representative images of ALP and ARS staining in MSCs cultured alone or in the presence of sham- or OVX-derived macrophages (a) ($n = 3$). qPCR analysis of *Col1*, *Alp*, *Runx2* and *Osx* expression under osteogenic conditions (b-e) ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (f-j) Representative images of ALP and ARS staining in MSCs cultured alone or in the presence of untreated or LPS-treated macrophages (f) ($n = 3$). qPCR analysis of *Col1*, *Alp*, *Runx2* and *Osx* expression under osteogenic conditions (g-j) ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (k) Representative images of ALP, ARS and Oil Red O staining of MSCs ($n = 3$). Scale bar, 400 nm. (l) qPCR analysis of *Col1*, *Alp*, *Runx2* and *Osx* ($n = 3$); two-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (m) qPCR analysis of *C/EBPα*, *Fabp4* and *Ppar-γ* ($n = 3$); two-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (n) Cell proliferation in MSCs

cultured alone or in the presence of untreated or LPS-treated macrophages ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (o-q) qPCR analysis of *Oct4* (o), *Sox2* (p) and *Nanog* (q) ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (r) Flow cytometry analysis of cell apoptosis in MSCs cultured alone or in the presence of untreated or LPS-treated macrophages ($n = 3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

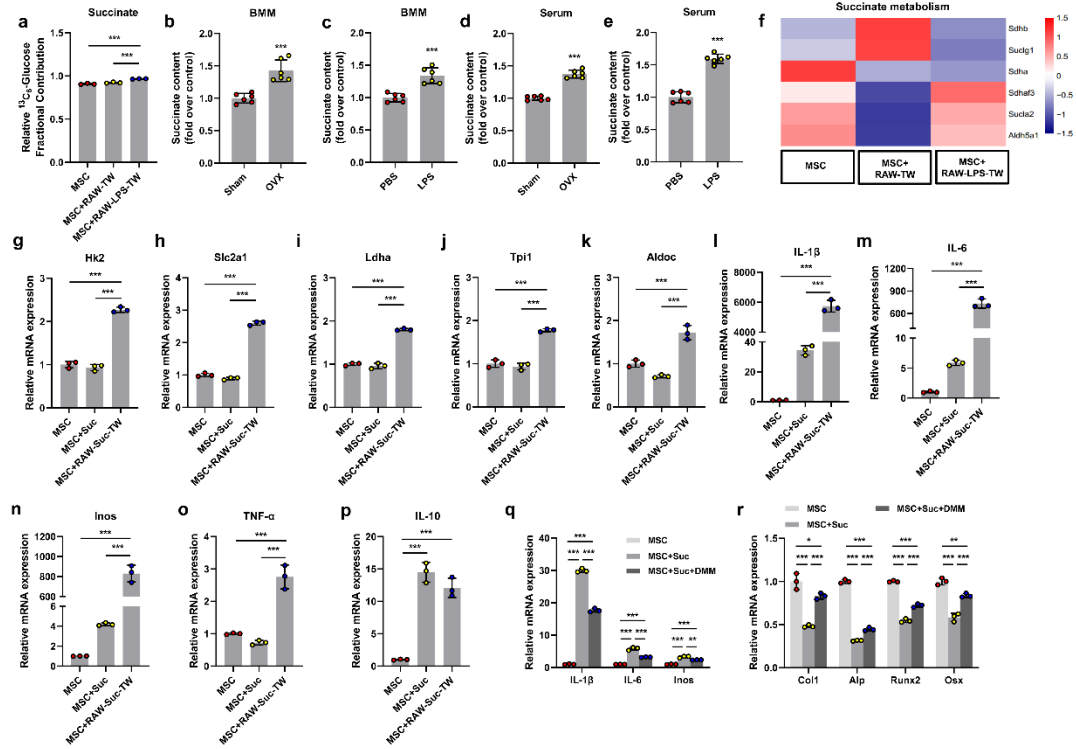


Figure S6. Intracellular accumulation of succinate in MSCs resulted in increased expression of pro-inflammatory genes. Related to Figure 5.

(a) Contribution of $^{13}\text{C}_6$ -glucose to succinate ($n=3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (b-e) Relative levels of succinate in BMMs (b, c) and serum (d, e) of Sham, OVX, PBS and LPS-treated mice ($n=6$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (f) Succinate metabolism genes ($n=3$). (g-p) qPCR analysis of glycolytic genes (g-k) and proinflammatory genes (l-p) in MSCs incubated with succinate or succinate-treated macrophages compared to untreated MSCs ($n=3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (q) qPCR was used to analyze the proinflammatory gene expression in MSCs treated with dimethyl malonate (DMM) and succinate ($n=3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. (r) qPCR was used to analyze the osteogenic gene expression in MSCs treated with DMM and succinate ($n=3$); one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-test. Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p<0.05$. * $p<0.05$, ** $p<0.01$, and *** $p<0.001$.

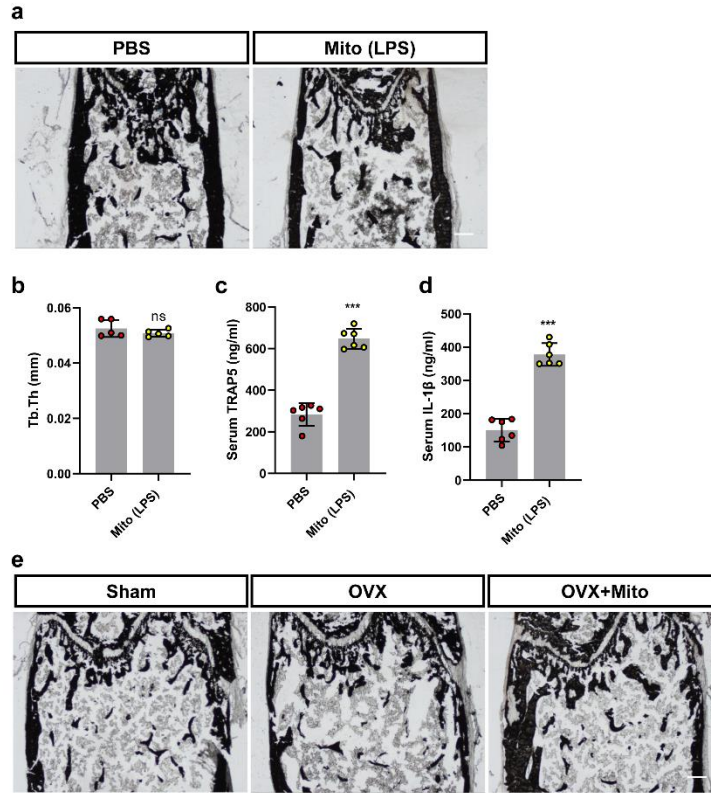


Figure S7. Skeletal phenotype of mitochondrial transfer.

(a) Representative images of Von Kossa staining of distal femoral metaphysis from PBS and Mito (LPS) mice. Scale bar, 1000 μ m ($n = 3$). (b) Tb.Th analysis of mice receiving tail vein injection of LPS-treated Mito (100 μ g in 100 μ l PBS) or PBS ($n = 5$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (c, d) Serum TRAP5 (c) and IL-1 β (d) levels in PBS and mito (LPS) mice ($n = 6$); two-tailed Student's t-test. (e) Representative images of Von Kossa staining of distal femoral metaphysis from Sham, OVX and OVX+Mito mice. Scale bar, 1000 μ m ($n = 3$). Each error bar represents the mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments. Differences were considered statistically significant at $p < 0.05$. * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, and *** $p < 0.001$.

Supplementary Fig. 1g

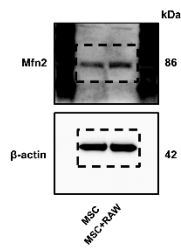


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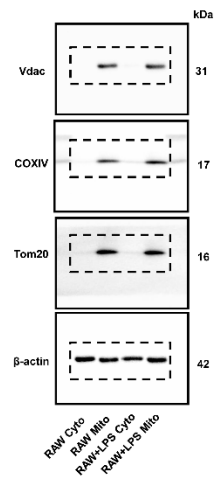


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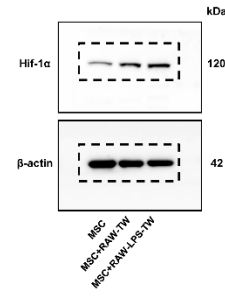


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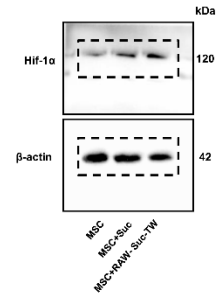


Figure S8. Original Western blot images used in main figures.

Supplementary Table

Table S1. Primer Sequences

Gene	Forward Sequence (5'-3')	Reverse Sequence (5'-3')
<i>Inos</i>	GTTCTCAGCCCAACAATACAAGA	GTGGACGGGTCGATGTCAC
<i>IL-1β</i>	GCAACTGTTCTGAACTCAACT	ATCTTTTGGGGTCCGTCAACT
<i>TNF-α</i>	TGTCTCAGCCTCTTCTCATT	TGATCTGAGTGTGAGGGTCT
<i>CD80</i>	ACCCCCAACATAACTGAGTCT	TTCCAACCAAGAGAAGCGAGG
<i>IL-10</i>	GCTCTTACTGACTGGCATGAG	CGCAGCTCTAGGAGCATGTC
<i>IL-6</i>	ATAGTCCTTCCTACCCCAATTTCC	GATGAATTGGATGGTCTTGGTCC
<i>Hif1-α</i>	ACCTTCATCGGAACTCCAAAG	ACTGTTAGGCTCAGGTGAACT
<i>Hk2</i>	TGATCGCCTGCTTATTCACGG	AACCGCCTAGAAATCTCCAGA
<i>Slc2a1</i>	CAGTTCGGCTATAAACTGGTG	GCCCCCGACAGAGAAGATG
<i>Ldha</i>	TGTCTCCAGCAAAGACTACTGT	GACTGTACTTGACAATGTTGGGA
<i>Tpi1</i>	CCAGGAAGTTCTTCGTTGGGG	CAAAGTCGATGTAAGCGGTGG
<i>Aldoc</i>	AGAAGGAGTTGTGCGATATTGCT	TTCTCCACCCCAATTTGGCTC
<i>Col1</i>	TGGCAAAGACGGACTCAAC	GGCAGGAAGCTGAAGTCATAA
<i>Alp</i>	CCAACCTCTTTTGTGCCAGAGA	GGCTACATTGGTGTTGAGCTTTT
<i>Runx2</i>	ATTACAGATCCCAGGCAGGCA	CAGAAGTCAGAGGTGGCAGTGT
<i>Osx</i>	CAACCTGCTAGAGATCTGAG	TGCAATAGGAGAGAGCGA
<i>Oct4</i>	GGCTTCAGACTTCGCCTCC	AACCTGAGGTCCACAGTATGC
<i>Sox2</i>	GCGGAGTGGAACCTTTTGTCC	CGGGAAGCGTGTACTTATCCTT
<i>Nanog</i>	TCTTCCTGGTCCCCACAGTTT	GCAAGAATAGTTCTCGGGATGAA
<i>C/EBPα</i>	CAAGAACAGCAACGAGTACCG	GTCACTGGTCAACTCCAGCAC
<i>Fabp4</i>	AAGGTGAAGAGCATCATAACCCT	TCACGCCTTTTCATAACACATTCC
<i>Ppar-γ</i>	TCGCTGATGCACTGCCTATG	GAGAGGTCCACAGAGCTGATT
<i>β-actin</i>	CATCCGTAAAGACCTCTATGCCAAC	ATGGAGCCACCGATCCACA