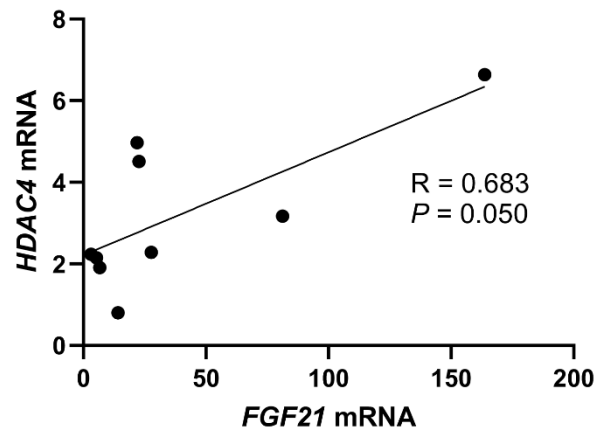
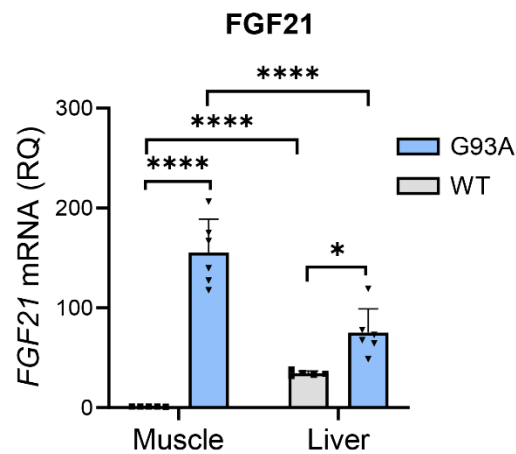


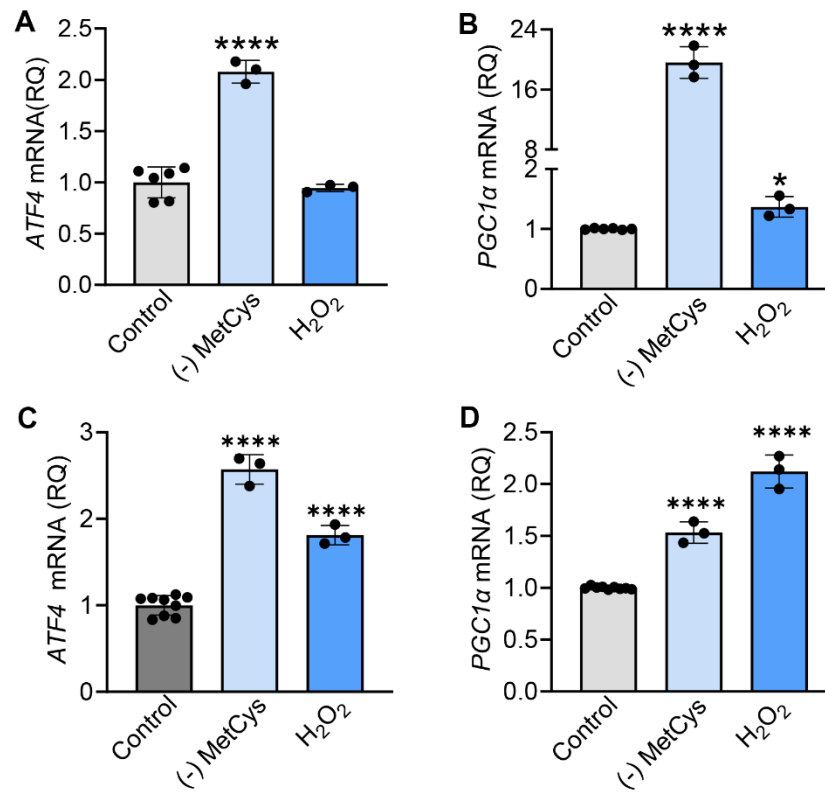
SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



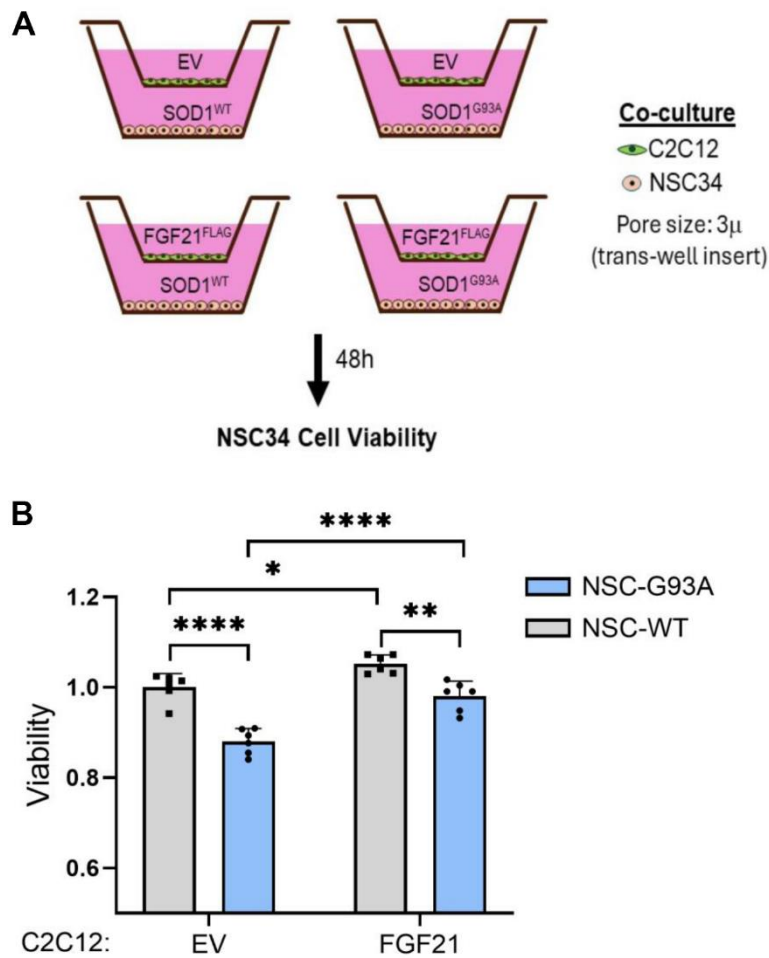
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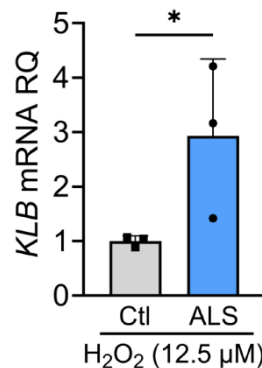
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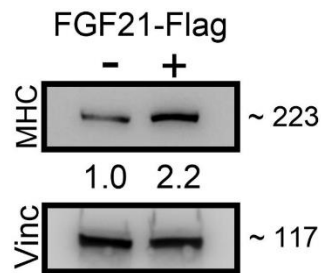
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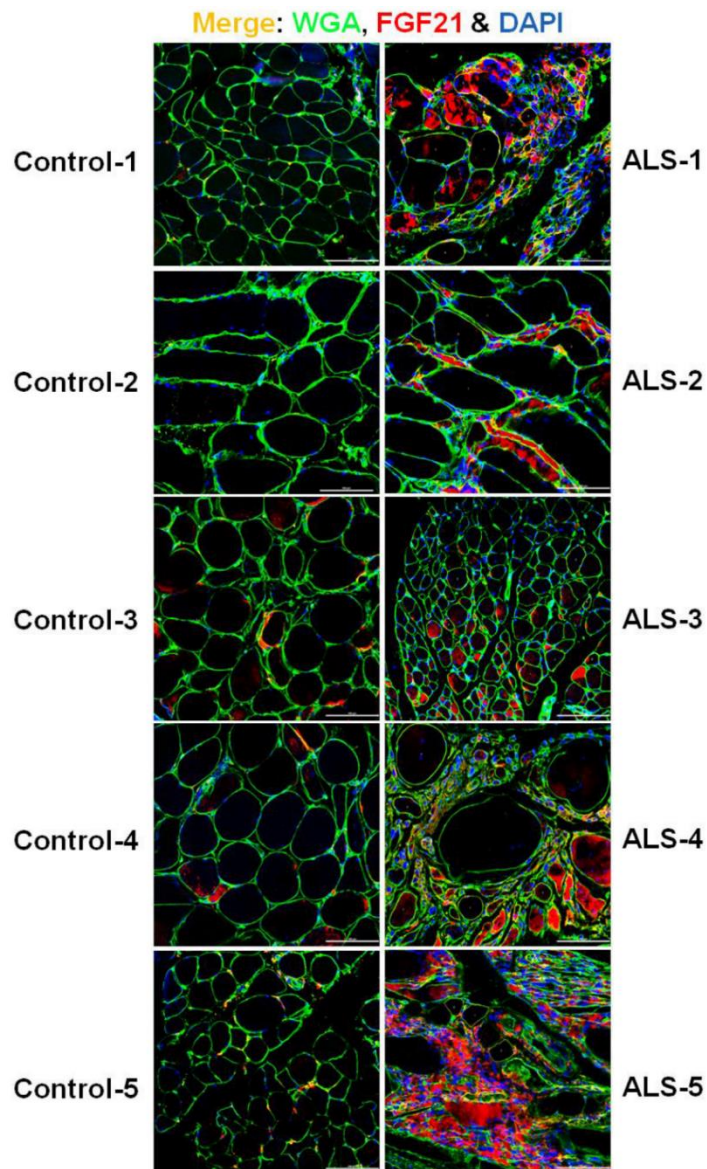
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Supplementary Figure 5. H₂O₂ treatment induces *KLB* mRNA in motor neurons derived from C9-ALS patients. iPSC-derived motor neurons from normal and ALS patient donors were exposed to 12.5 μ M of H₂O₂ for 24 h, and *KLB* mRNA levels were quantified using qRT-PCR. Bars represent the mean \pm SD of 3 independent biological samples. * P = 0.03; unpaired one-tailed t-test.



Supplementary Figure 6. FGF21 increases the levels of MHC protein during myogenesis. C2C12 myoblasts were transfected with an FGF21-FLAG plasmid and cultured in DM for 96 h. Cells were lysed and the protein lysates were immunoblotted with antibodies against MHC and vinculin. For densitometry values, empty vector (- FGF21-FLAG) was set at 1.



Supplementary Figure 7. FGF21 localizes to atrophic myofibers in ALS muscle. Tissue sections from five ALS patients and five normal controls were immunostained with an anti-FGF21 antibody (red) and counterstained with DAPI (blue) and WGA (green). Intense immunoreactivity is observed in atrophic myofibers and in the endomysial space in the ALS muscle sections. Scale bars, 100 μ M.