

1 Non-bioenergetic roles of mitochondrial GPD2 2 promote tumor progression 3

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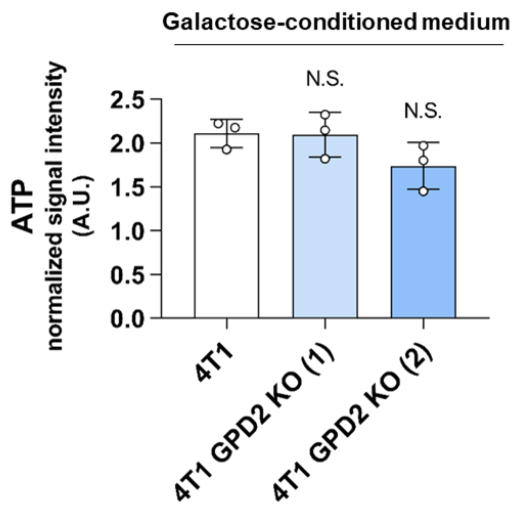
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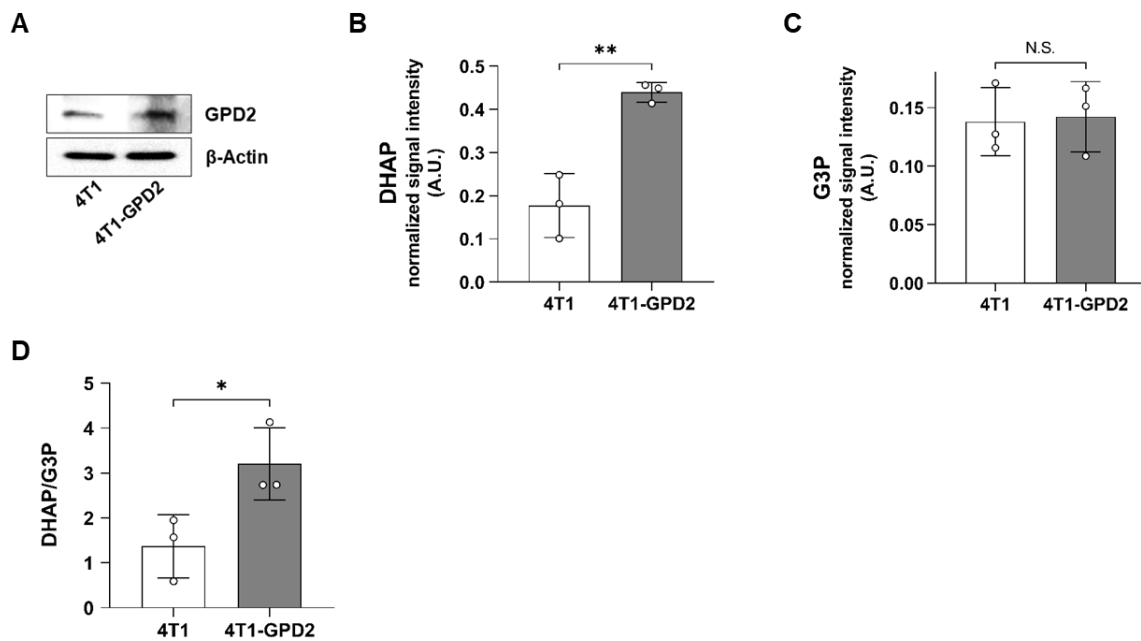
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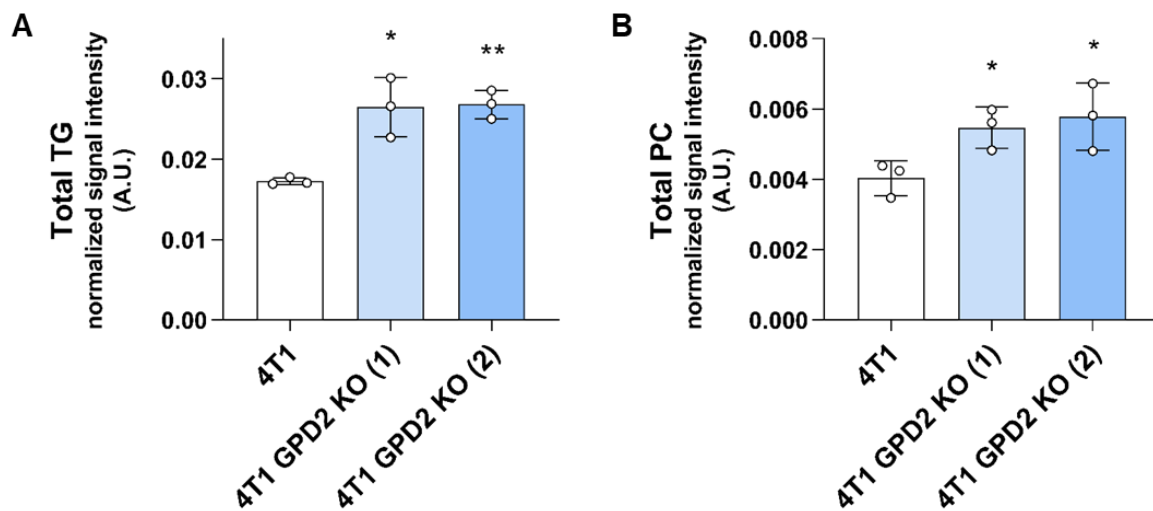


23 **Supplementary Figure 1: ATP level of 4T1 and 4T1 GPD2 KO cells grown in**
24 **galactose-conditioned medium.** The signal intensity was obtained by LC-MS and
25 normalized by BCA value. Data were obtained from three biologically independent
26 samples. The p-value was calculated by comparing the experimental group with 4T1
27 control group with two-tailed unpaired Student's t-test. The "*" in the graphs indicates
28 statistically significant difference ("*": $p < 0.05$; "***": $p < 0.005$; "****": $p < 0.0005$), and
29 "N.S.," 'not significant.' A.U., arbitrary unit

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31 **Supplementary Figure 2: DHAP/G3P ratio in 4T1 cells with GPD2**
 32 **overexpression. (A)** Protein expression of GPD2 in 4T1 and 4T1-GPD2 (GPD2
 33 overexpression) cells as detected by Western blot analysis. **(B)** Level of DHAP in
 34 4T1 and 4T1-GPD2 cells. **(C)** Level of G3P in 4T1 and 4T1-GPD2 cells. **(D)** Cellular
 35 DHAP/G3P ratio in 4T1 and 4T1-GPD2 cells.
 36 In data (B-D), the signal intensities were obtained by LC-MS and normalized by BCA
 37 value. Data were obtained from three biologically independent samples. The p-value
 38 was calculated by comparing the experimental group with 4T1 control group with two-
 39 tailed unpaired Student's t-test. The "*" in the graphs indicates statistically significant
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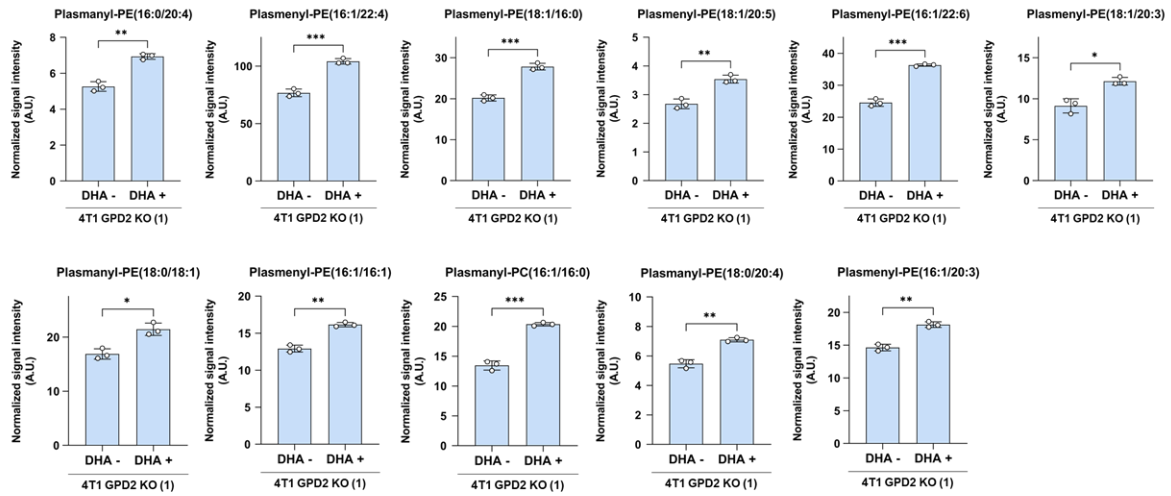


43 **Supplementary Figure 3: Level of total TG and PC in 4T1 and 4T1 GPD2 KO**
 44 **cells. (A)** TG level in 4T1 and 4T1 GPD2 KO cells. **(B)** PC level in 4T1 and 4T1
 45 GPD2 KO cells. The signal intensities were obtained by NMR and normalized by
 46 BCA value.

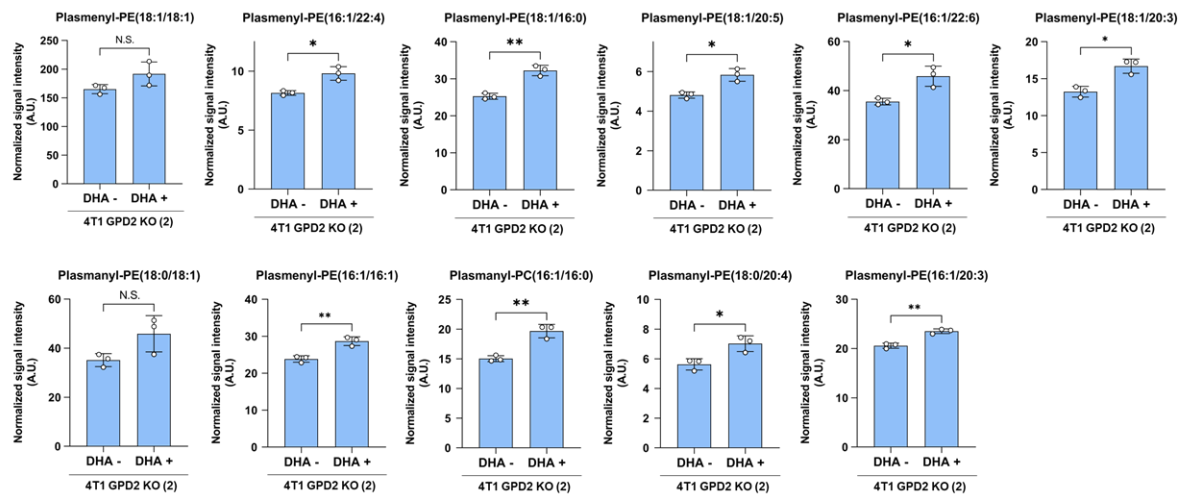
47 Data were obtained from three biologically independent samples. The p-value was
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 49 unpaired Student's t-test. The "*" in the graphs indicates statistically significant
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53 **Supplementary Figure 4: Levels of different ether lipid species in 4T1 GPD2 KO**54 **cells with or without DHA treatment. (A) Ether lipid level with or without DHA**55 **treatment in 4T1 GPD2 KO (1) cells. (B) Ether lipid level with or without DHA**56 **treatment in 4T1 GPD2 KO (2) cells.**

57 In data (A-B), the signal intensity was obtained by LC-MS and normalized by BCA

58 value. Data were obtained from three biologically independent samples. The p-value

59 was calculated by comparing the experimental group with 4T1 control group with two-

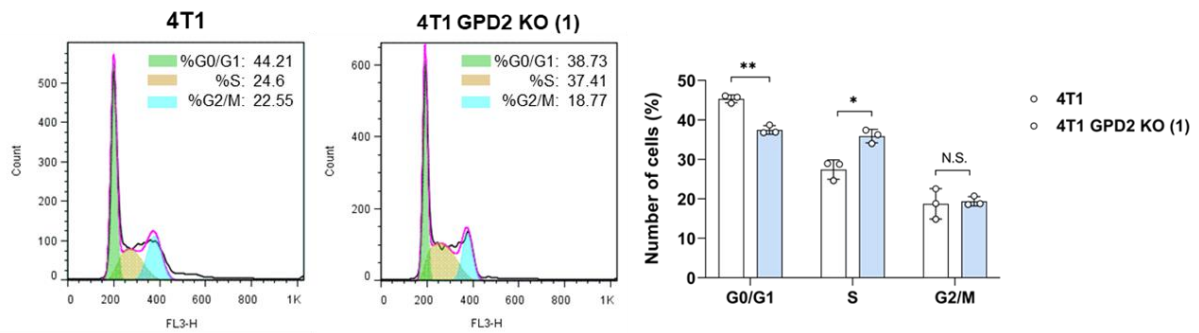
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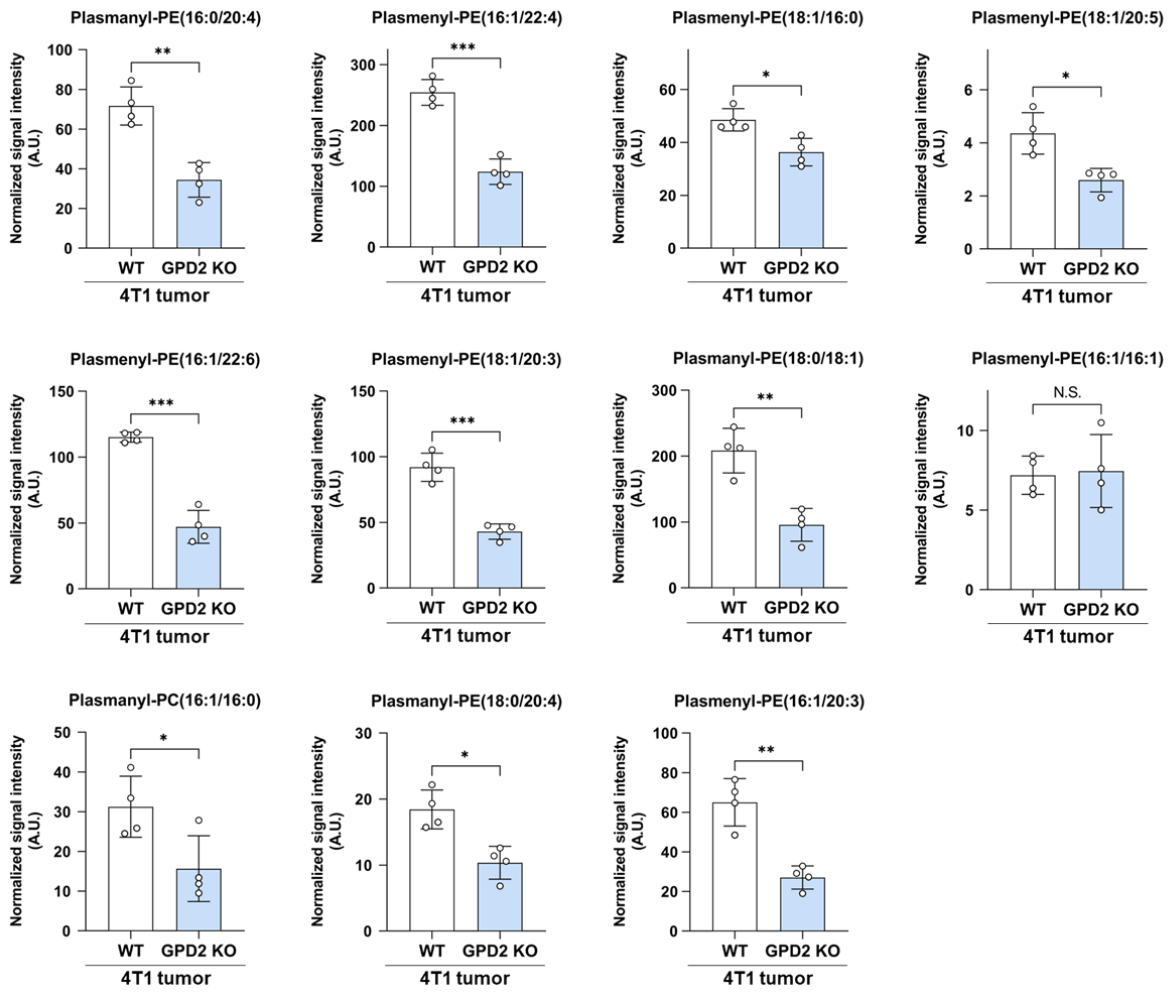
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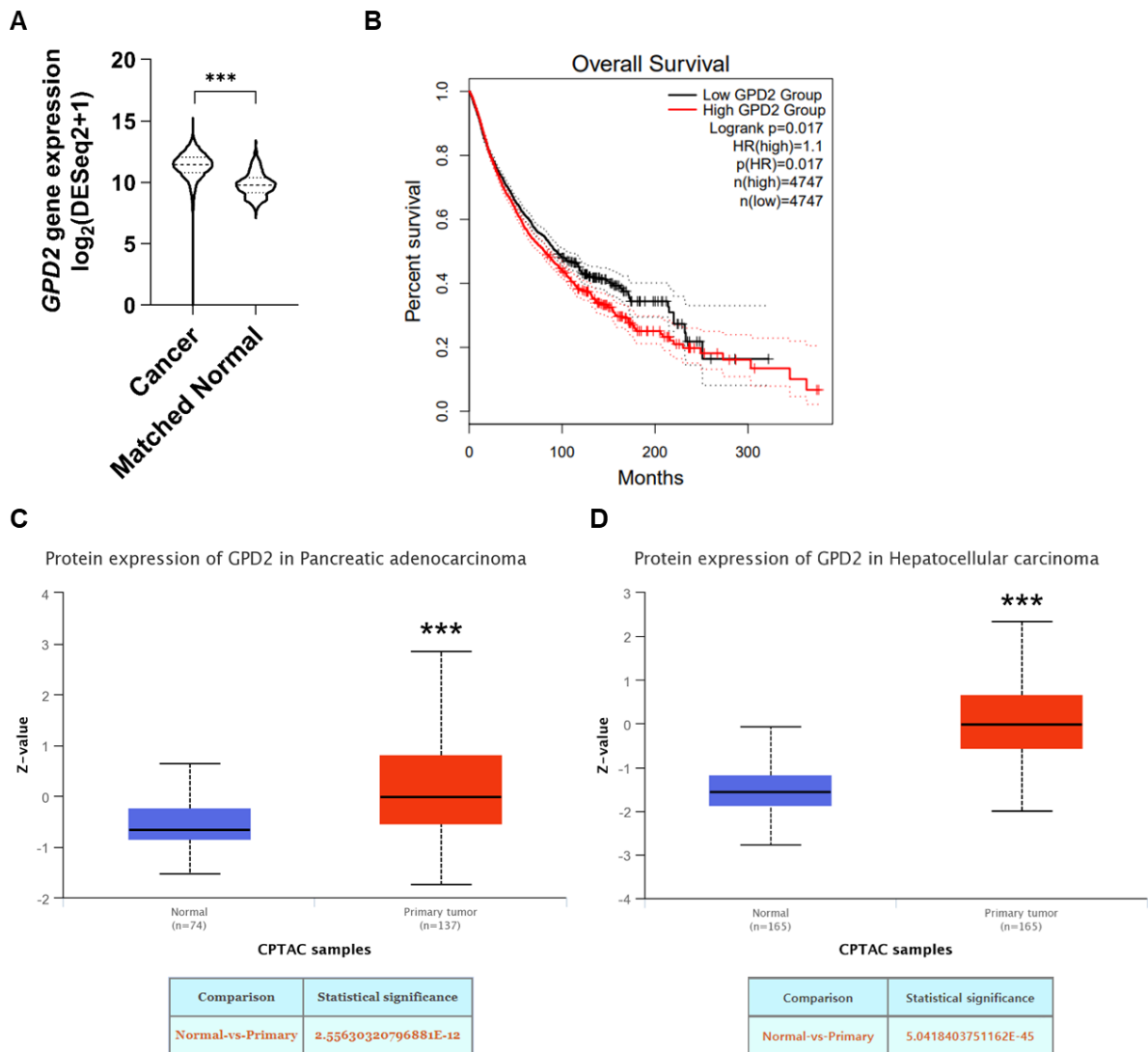


65 **Supplementary Figure 5: Representative histogram and bar graph of cell cycle**
 66 **progression in 4T1 and 4T1 GPD2 KO cells.** Data were obtained from three
 67 biologically independent samples. The p-value was calculated by comparing the
 68 experimental group with 4T1 control group with two-tailed unpaired Student's t-test.
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72 **Supplementary Figure 6: Levels of different ether lipid species in WT and**
 73 **GPD2 KO of 4T1 graft tumor tissues.** The signal intensities were obtained by LC-
 74 MS and normalized by BCA value. Data were obtained from four biologically
 75 independent samples. The p-value was calculated by comparing the experimental
 76 group with 4T1 control group with two-tailed unpaired Student's t-test. The "*" in the
 77 graphs indicates statistically significant difference ("*": $p < 0.05$; "***": $p < 0.005$; "****":
 78 $p < 0.0005$), and "N.S.," 'not significant.' A.U., arbitrary unit
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80 **Supplementary Figure 7: GPD2 expression in various types of cancer and**
 81 **related patient survival. (A)** Comparison of *GPD2* gene expression between
 82 samples from all cancer tissue types and their normal counterparts in Figure 6A. For
 83 those in normal tissues, duplicate samples were excluded. **(B)** Kaplan-Meier plot
 84 comparing overall survival of *GPD2*-high expression group (red line) and *GPD2*-low
 85 expression group (black line) in patients for all cancer tissue types. Survival analysis
 86 was performed in GEPIA 2 (<http://gepia2.cancer-pku.cn>) [55]. **(C-D)** *GPD2* protein
 87 level comparison between normal and cancer tissues for pancreatic adenocarcinoma
 88 (C) and liver cancer (D) from CPTAC proteomic database.
 89 For data (A), the Wilcoxon rank-sum test was used to compare statistical significance
 90 between the groups. For data (B), the log-rank test was used to compare statistical
 91 significance between the groups. For data (C-D), the Student's t-test was used to
 92 compare statistical significance between the groups. The “*” in the graphs indicates
 93 statistically significant difference (“*”: $p < 0.05$; “**”: $p < 0.005$; “***”: $p < 0.0005$).