Supporting Information

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Fig. S1. Representative Western blots and densitometry analysis of hypoxia-inducible factor 1 alpha (HIF-1 α) (*Upper*) and HIF-2 α (*Lower*) stability in skin samples from K14cre-HIF2 α and K14cre-HIF-1 α mice, respectively, compared with WT controls. Densitometry data are stated as the ratio of target protein to β -actin and are shown as mean \pm SEM (n = 6).



Fig. 52. (A) Representative Western blots of arginase-I/-II, nitric oxide synthase 2 (NOS2)/3, and β -actin control basally expressed in the skin of K14cre-HIF1 α and -HIF2 α mice compared with littermate controls. (B) Baseline quantitative PCR (qPCR) analysis for NOS1 expression in skin samples from keratinocyte-specific HIF-1 α - and HIF-2 α -deleted mice compared to littermate controls. Data are shown as mean fold change \pm SEM (n = 8).

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C Murine vascular diameter



Fig. S3. (*A*) Representative photomicrographs of histological analysis for skin vascular density. Frozen 8- μ M skin sections were immunostained for PCAM-1 (CD31). ImageJ software (National Institutes of Health) was used for quantitative analysis to determine the percentage vessel density. (*B*) Baseline qPCR analysis for VEGF expression in skin samples from keratinocyte-specific HIF-1 α - and HIF-2 α -deleted mice compared with WT controls. Data are shown as mean fold change \pm SEM (n = 8). (C) Representative photomicrographs of histological analysis of vascular diameter. Frozen 8- μ M skin sections were immunostained for PCAM-1 (CD31). ImageJ software was used for quantitative analysis to determine the vessel cross-section.

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Fig. 54. Metabolic characterization of K14cre-HIF-1 α and K14cre-HIF-2 α . (*A* and *B*) Measurement of VO₂ and VCO₂ from resting K14cre-HIF-1 α (*A*) or K14cre-HIF-2 α (*B*) mice (data are shown as mean VO₂ or VCO₂ ± SEM in mL⁻¹·kg⁻¹·h⁻¹), respiratory exchange ration (RER) (data are shown as mean ratio ± SEM), and metabolic heat production (data are shown as mean Kcal⁻¹·kg⁻¹·h⁻¹ ± SEM) (n = 5). *P < 0.05, **P < 0.05. (C and D) Whole-body O₂ consumption (VO₂) in response to accumulating exercise stress. K14-HIF-1 α (n = 5) (C) or K14-HIF-2 α (n = 5) (D) mice were compared with littermate controls (n = 4). **P < 0.005, ANOVA. Data are shown as mean VO₂ ± SEM mL⁻¹·kg⁻¹·h⁻¹ accumulating with time as the intensity of the exercise increases.



Fig. 55. K14cre-VHL mice are hypothermic. (*A* and *B*) Skin-surface temperature was measured by a thermal infrared camera and expressed as average temperature (°C) \pm SEM (*n* = 8). (*C*) Basal core body temperature was measured using a rectal probe and expressed as average temperature (°C) \pm SEM (*n*=8). (*D*) Core body temperature was monitored during acclimation of K14cre-VHL mice to an environmental temperature of 4 °C compared with WT controls. Data are shown as the mean drop in core temperature (°C) \pm SEM following a 3-h exposure (*n* = 8). (*E*) Measurement of VO₂ and VCO₂ from resting K14cre-VHL mice. Data are shown as mean VO₂ or VCO₂ \pm SEM mL⁻¹·kg⁻¹·h⁻¹ metabolic heat production. Data are shown as mean Kcal⁻¹·kg⁻¹·h⁻¹ \pm SEM (*n* = 8). ***P* < 0.005.



Fig. S6. WT mice develop severe hypertension when Angiotensin II (2 $ug^{-1}kg^{-1}min^{-1}$) is infused over 14 d. Data are shown as mean (mmHg) ± SEM (n = 6).



Fig. S7. qPCR analysis of NOS1, NOS2, NOS3, and VEGF from skin samples collected from normotensive (open bar; n = 11) and mildly hypertensive (closed bar; n = 13) volunteers. Data are shown as mean fold change \pm SEM.

| Blood components analyzed | K14-HIF-1α, range | Cre [−] , mean | Cre ⁺ , mean |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Glucose, mg/dL | 90–192 | 172.5 | 195.7 |
| BUN, mg/dL | 18–29 | 24 | 23.6 |
| Creatinine, mg/dL | 0.2–0.8 | <0.2 | <0.2 |
| Albumin, g/dL | 2.5–4.8 | 3.6 | 3.8 |
| Globulin, g/dL | _ | 2 | 2 |
| Total protein, g/dL | 3.6–6.6 | 6.0 | 6.2 |
| Sodium, mEg/L | 126–182 | 149.6 | 151.75 |
| Potassium, mWg/L | 4.7-6.4 | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| Calcium, mg/dL | 5.9–9.4 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| Phosphorus, mg/dL | 6.1–10.1 | 6.95 | 6.20 |
| Bilirubin total, mg/dL | 0.1–0.9 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| SGPT (ALT), U/L | 28–132 | 42.75 | 42 |
| Alk P, U/L | 62–209 | 52 | 49 |
| Amylase, U/L | 1693,615 | 1,019 | 987 |
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Table S1. Analysis of blood chemistry in K14cre-HIF1 α mice and littermate controls (n = 10)

Table S2. Data from normotensive and hypertensive human volunteers

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| | Blood pressure at visit, | | | | | | | |
|---------|--------------------------|-----|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Subject | Age, y | Sex | diastolic/systolic, mmHG | Hypertensive medication | Other medications | | | |
| 1 | 46 | F | 144/71 | Candesartan | Nil | | | |
| 2 | 28 | М | 141/96 | Losartan | Nil | | | |
| 3 | 61 | М | 150/85 | Perindopril, felodipine | Simvastatin, lanzoprazole | | | |
| 4 | 67 | М | 169/82 | Lisinopril, doxazosin | Nil | | | |
| 5 | 48 | М | 142/89 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 6 | 50 | М | 167/109 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 7 | 62 | М | 173/94 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 8 | 51 | М | 165/99 | Ramipril, amiodipine | Nil | | | |
| 9 | 65 | F | 173/98 | Lisinopril | Latanoprost, Viscotears | | | |
| 10 | 53 | М | 140/90 | Candesartan | Simvastatin, aspirin | | | |
| 11 | 51 | F | 159/96 | Candesartan | Nil | | | |
| 12 | 70 | М | 150/73 | Nil | Simvastatin, aspirin | | | |
| 13 | 68 | F | 133/66 | Bendroflumethiazide | Pravastatin, diclofenac | | | |
| 14 | 58 | М | 134/82 | Amiodipine, atenolol | Simvastatin, aspirin | | | |
| 15 | 56 | М | 173/105 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 16 | 63 | F | 172/70 | Lisinopril | Nil | | | |
| 1 | 74 | F | 157/86 | Nil | Aspirin | | | |
| 2 | 60 | F | 147/84 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 3 | 32 | F | 98/73 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 4 | 51 | М | 124/71 | Nil | Lanzoprazole, aspirin | | | |
| 5 | 24 | М | 98/73 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 6 | 49 | F | 105/57 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 7 | 48 | М | 147/86 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 8 | 47 | F | 116/72 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 9 | 38 | F | 133/70 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 10 | 56 | М | 138/83 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 11 | 43 | F | 113/69 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 12 | 59 | F | 123/67 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 13 | 37 | F | 113/56 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 14 | 54 | F | 106/67 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 15 | 52 | М | 125/85 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 16 | 52 | М | 119/70 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 17 | 50 | F | 122/74 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 18 | 49 | М | 139/91 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 19 | 47 | F | 135/80 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 20 | 48 | М | 150/86 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 21 | 62 | F | 155/81 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 22 | 52 | F | 114/58 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 23 | 23 | F | 103/58 | Nil | Nil | | | |
| 24 | 61 | М | 143/76 | Nil | Nil | | | |