

1 **Cardiomyocyte-derived USP20 mitigates myocardial ischemia/reperfusion**
2 **injury through deubiquitinating GRP78**

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5 ***Supplementary Information***

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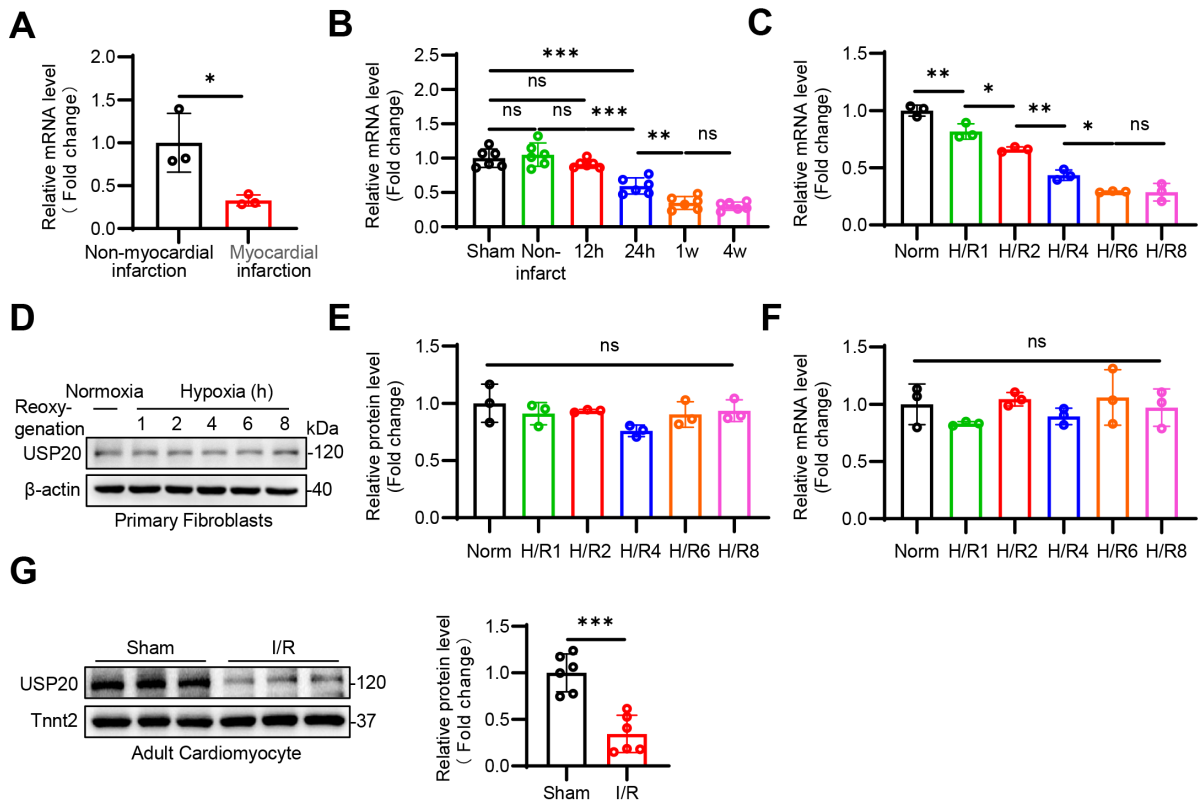
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23 **Supplementary Figures:**



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25 **Supplementary Figure S1**

26 (A) The mRNA expression levels of *Usp20* in both patients with myocardial infarction and control
27 samples. n = 3.

28 (B) The mRNA levels of *USP20* in mouse heart tissue from the sham group and the I/R group in
29 both non-infarcted and myocardial injury regions at various reperfusion time points. n = 6.

30 (C) The mRNA levels of *USP20* in NRPCs subjected to normoxia and hypoxia treatments
31 followed by different reoxygenation time points. n = 3.

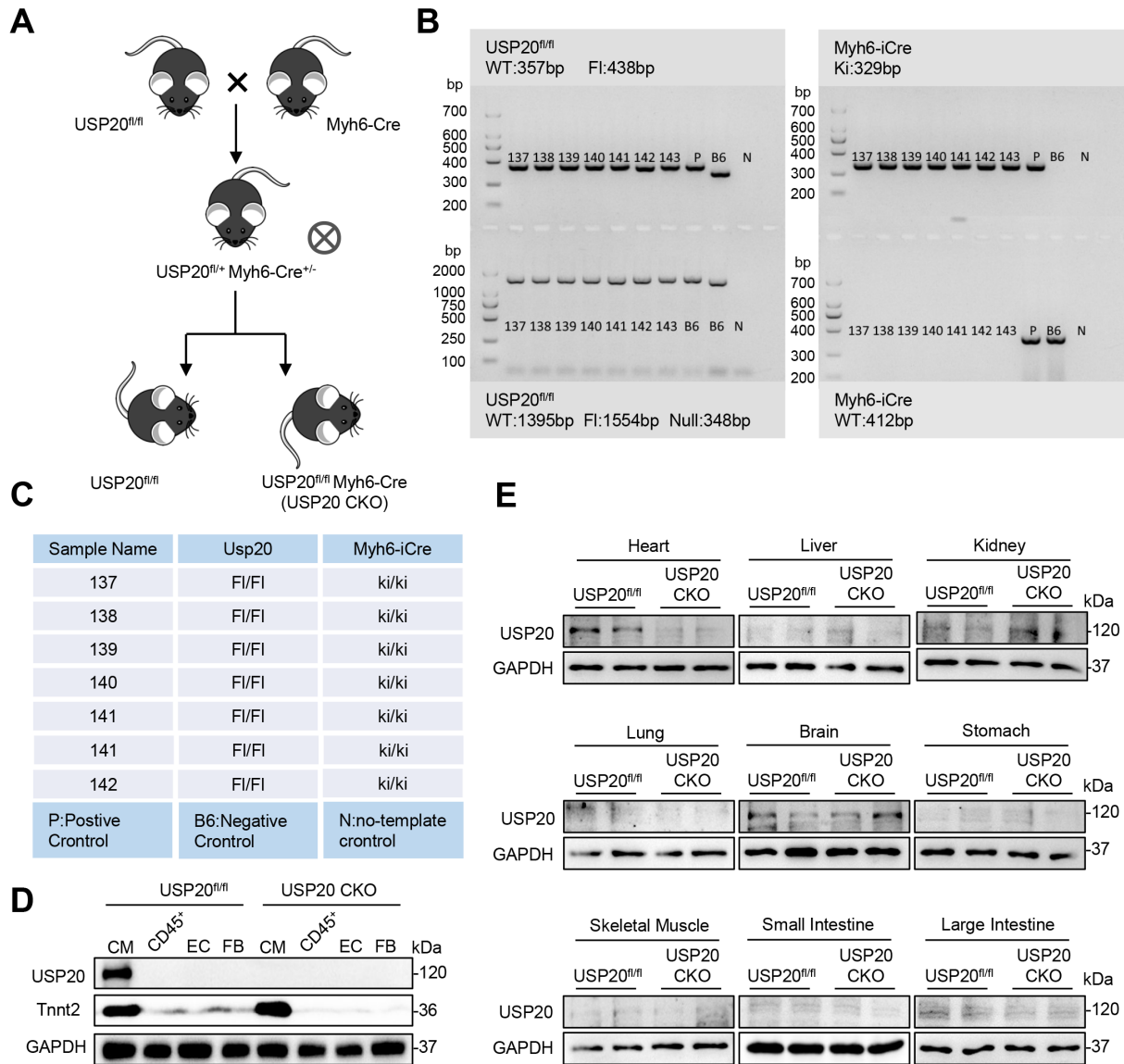
32 (D, E) The protein expression levels of *USP20* in primary fibroblasts subjected to normoxia and
33 hypoxia treatments followed by different reoxygenation time points evaluated by western blot (D)
34 and the statistical results (E). n = 3.

35 (F) The mRNA levels of *USP20* in primary fibroblasts subjected to normoxia and hypoxia
36 treatments followed by different reoxygenation time points. n = 3.

37 (G) Representative western blot for *USP20* in adult cardiomyocytes isolated from sham or MI/RI
38 mice and the statistical results. n = 3.

39 Data are expressed as the mean \pm standard deviation (SD). ***, P < 0.001; **, P < 0.01; *, P <
40 0.05; ns, P > 0.05. ns: no differences. Student's t-test for A and G; One-way ANOVA followed
41 by Tukey's post hoc test for B, C, E and F.

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44 **Supplementary Figure S2**

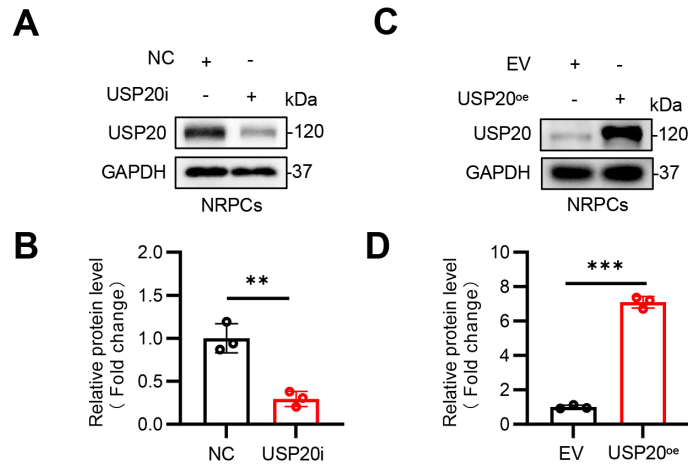
45 (A) Schematic diagram of the process for constructing USP20 cardiomyocyte specific knockout
46 mice (USP20-CKO mice).

47 (B) The primers of *Usp20* (WT:357bp, FI:438bp) and *Myh6-Cre* (WT:412bp, KI:329bp) were
48 respectively used for PCR to identify the genotype of mice. (P: Positive control; B6: Negative
49 control; N: No-template control).

50 (C) Table of USP20 myocardial specific knockout mouse identification results.

51 (D) Representative western blot of USP20 in isolated cardiomyocytes (CM), CD45⁺ cells,
52 Endothelial cells (EC) and fibroblasts (FB) of USP20^{fl/fl} and USP20-CKO mice.

53 (E) Representative western blot of USP20 in heart, liver, kidney, lung, brain, stomach, skeletal
54 muscle, small intestine and large intestine tissues of USP20^{fl/fl} and USP20-CKO mice.



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56 **Supplementary Figure S3**

57 (A, B) The protein expression level of USP20 in NRPCs following siRNA-mediated silencing of
 58 USP20 (A) and the statistical results (B). n = 3.

59 (C, D) The protein expression level of USP20 in NRPCs overexpressing USP20 via plasmid
 60 transfection (C) and the statistical results (D). n = 3.

61 Data are expressed as the mean ± SD. ***, P < 0.001; **, P < 0.01. Student's t-test for B and D.

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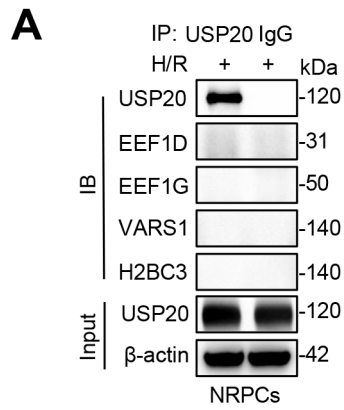
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83 **Supplementary Figure S4**

84 **(A)** Co-IP of USP20, EEF1D, EEF1G, VARS1 and H2BC3 in NRPCs subjected to H/R.

85 Endogenous USP20 was immunoprecipitated by anti-USP20.

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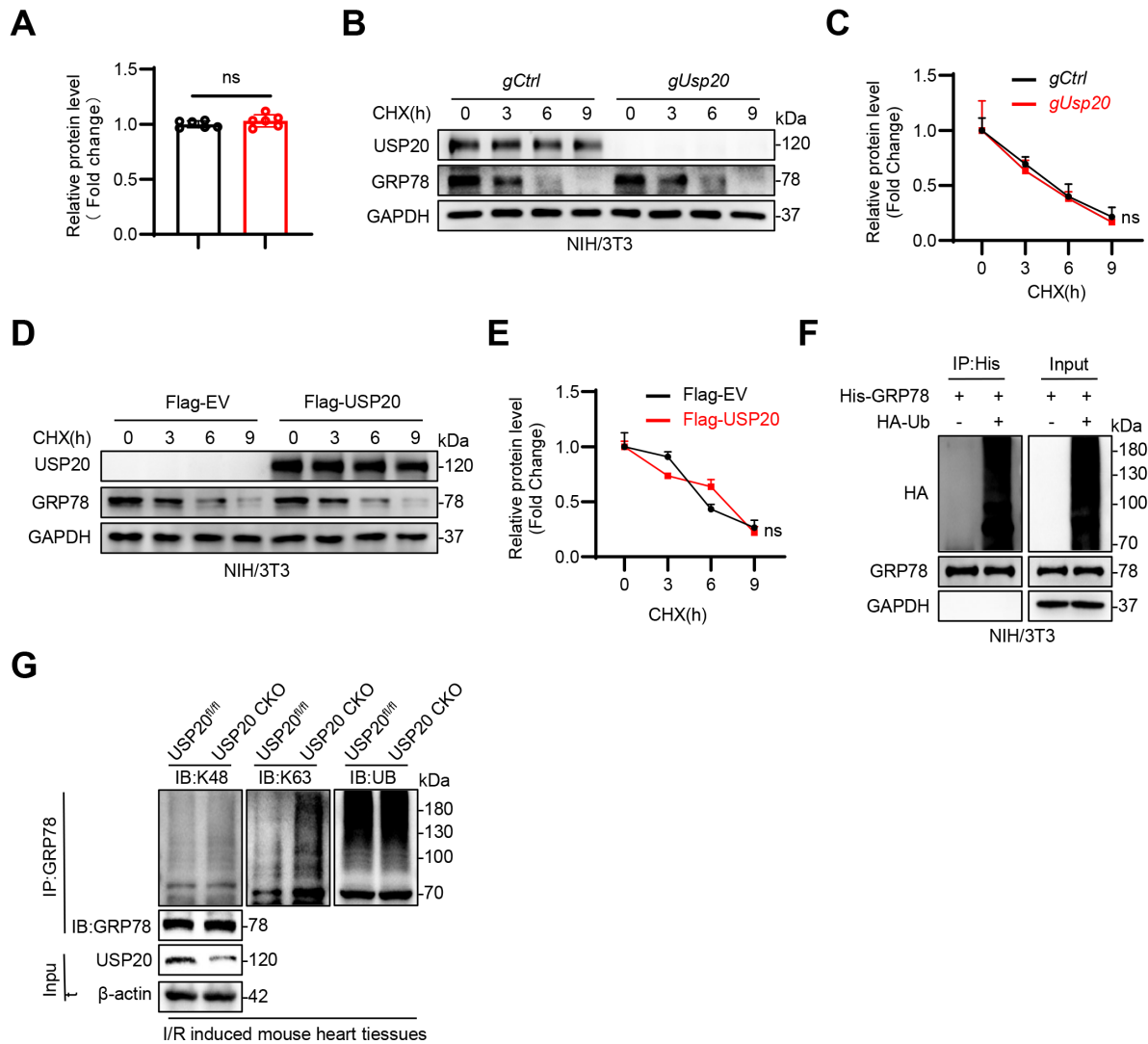
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111 **Supplementary Figure S5**

112 (A) The corresponding quantitative data of **Figure 5C**.

113 (B, C) The protein expression levels of USP20 and GRP78 in *gCtrl* or *gUSP20* NIH/3T3 cells (B) and the statistical results (C). n = 3.

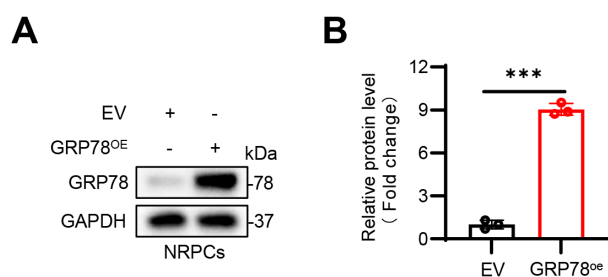
114 (D, E) The protein expression levels of USP20 and GRP78 in Flag-EV or Flag-USP20 NIH/3T3 cells (D) and the statistical results (E). n = 3.

115 (F) Immunoprecipitation of GRP78 in NIH/3T3 cells that co-transfected with plasmids encoding His-GRP78 and HA-UB.

116 (G) Immunoprecipitation of GRP78 in I/R induced mouse heart tissues from USP20^{fl/fl} or USP20-CKO. The ubiquitinated form of GRP78 was detected through immunoblotting utilizing UB antibody, UB-K48 antibody and UB-K63 antibody to clarify the ubiquitination patterns of GRP78 regulated by USP20.

117 Data are expressed as the mean ± SD. ns, P > 0.05, ns: no differences. EV: empty vector. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey post-hoc tests for C and E.

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128 **Supplementary Figure S6**

129 (A, B) The protein expression level of GRP78 in NRPCs overexpressing GRP78 via plasmid
130 transfection (A) and the statistical results (B). n = 3.

131 Data are expressed as the mean \pm SD. ***, P < 0.001. Student's t-test for B.

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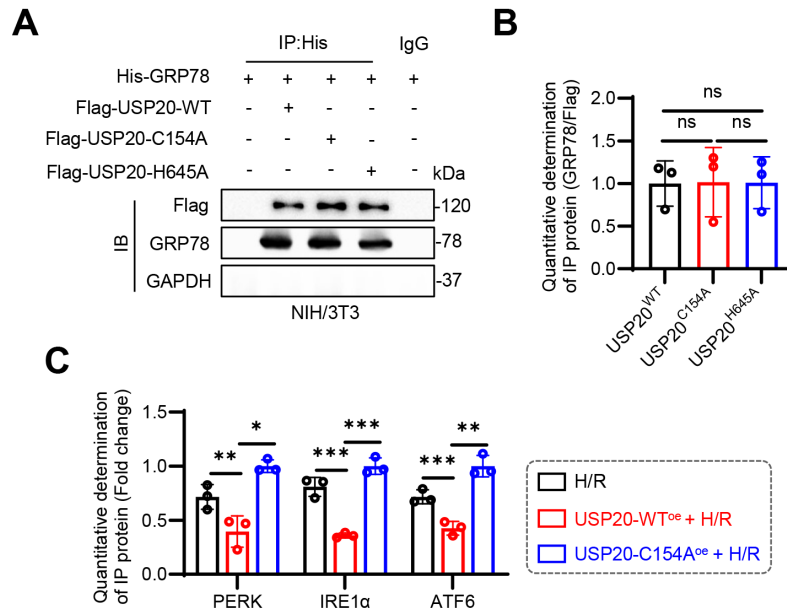
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154 **Supplementary Figure S7**

155 **(A-B)** Immunoprecipitation of GRP78 in NIH/3T3 cells that co-transfected with plasmids
 156 encoding His-GRP78, Flag-USP20-C154A and Flag-USP20-H645A **(A)** and the statistical results
 157 **(B)**. n = 3.

158 **(C)** The the statistical results of PERK/ GRP78, IRE1 α /GRP78 and ATF6/GRP78 band intensity
 159 ratios in IP assays of **Figure 5N**. n=3

160 Data are expressed as the mean \pm SD. *, P < 0.05; **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001; ns, P > 0.05. ns:
 161 no differences. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post hoc test for B, and C.

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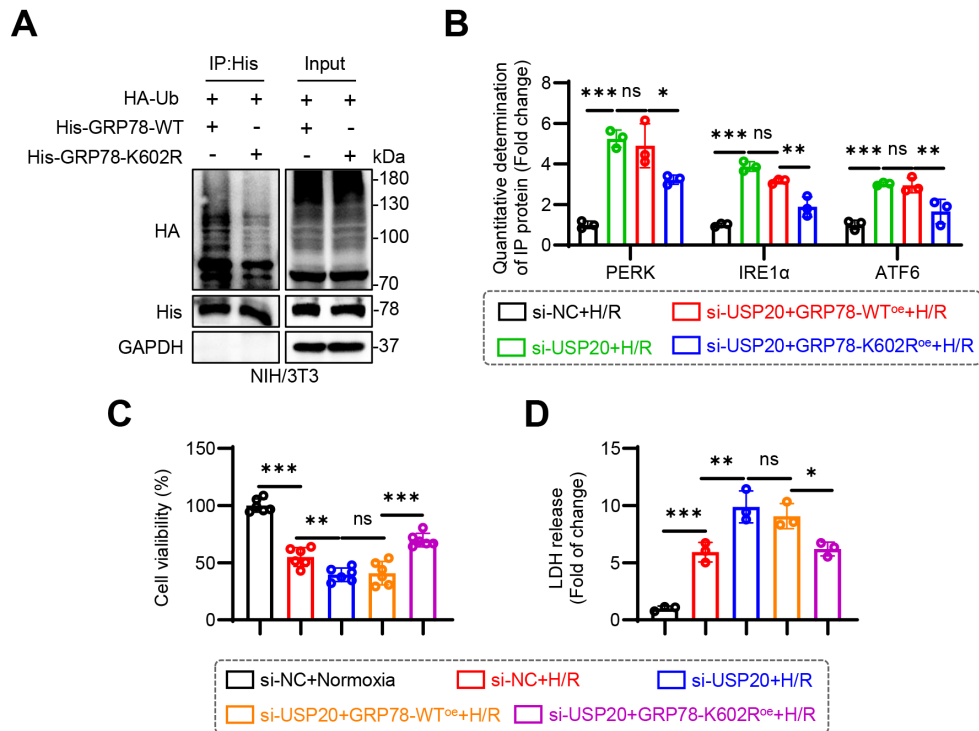
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Supplementary Figure S8

179 (A) Immunoprecipitation of GRP78 in NIH/3T3 cells that co-transfected with plasmids encoding
 180 His-GRP78-WT, His-GRP78-K602R and HA-UB prior to treatment with MG132 (10 μ M). The
 181 ubiquitination level of GRP78 was detected through immunoblotting utilizing a HA-specific
 182 antibody.

183 (B) The the statistical results of PERK/ GRP78, IRE1 α /GRP78 and ATF6/GRP78 band intensity
 184 ratios in IP assays of **Figure 6G**. n=3.

185 (C-D) CCK8 assay (C) and LDH release assay (D) showing the effects of GRP78^{WT} or
 186 GRP78^{K602R} overexpression on cell viability and cellular injury in USP20-deficient NRPCs
 187 subjected to H/R treatment.

188 Data are expressed as the mean \pm SD. *, P < 0.05; **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001; ns, P > 0.05. ns:
 189 no differences. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post hoc test for B, C and D.

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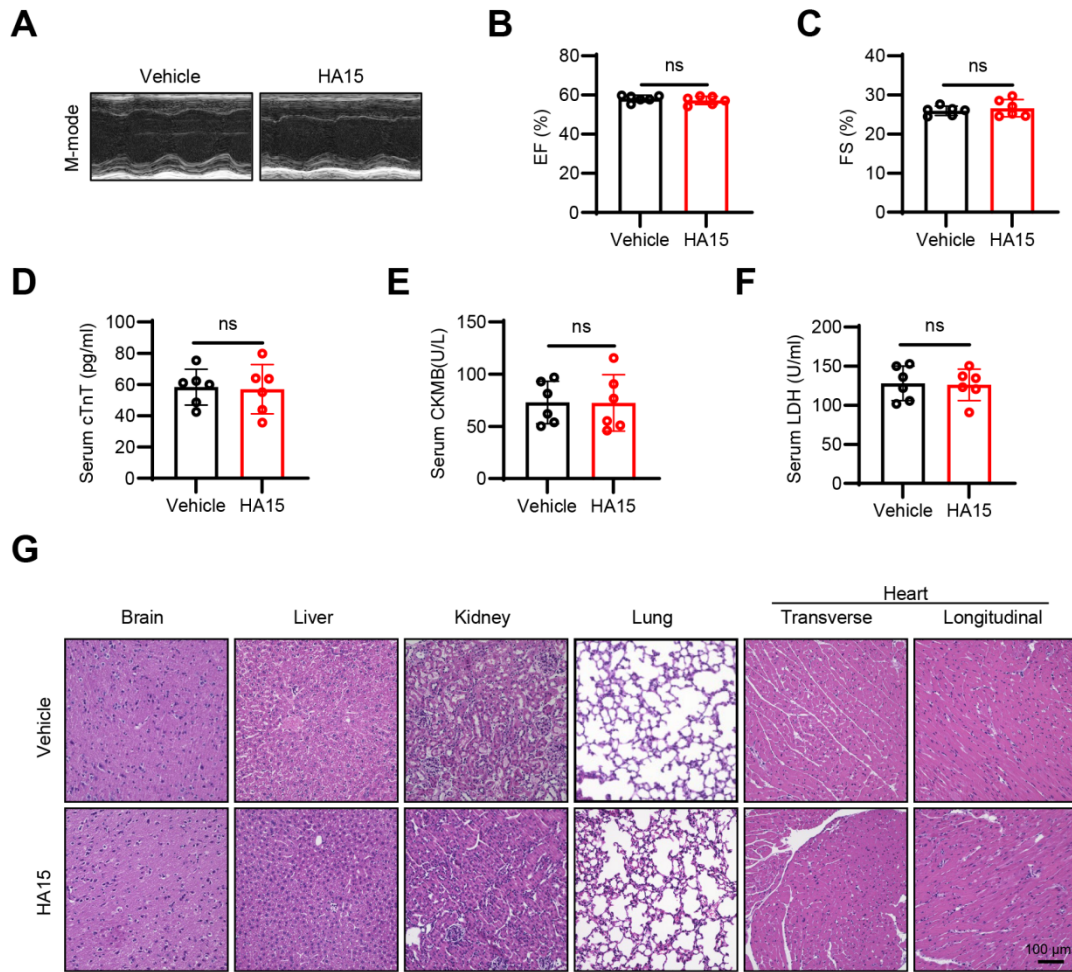
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Supplementary Figure S9

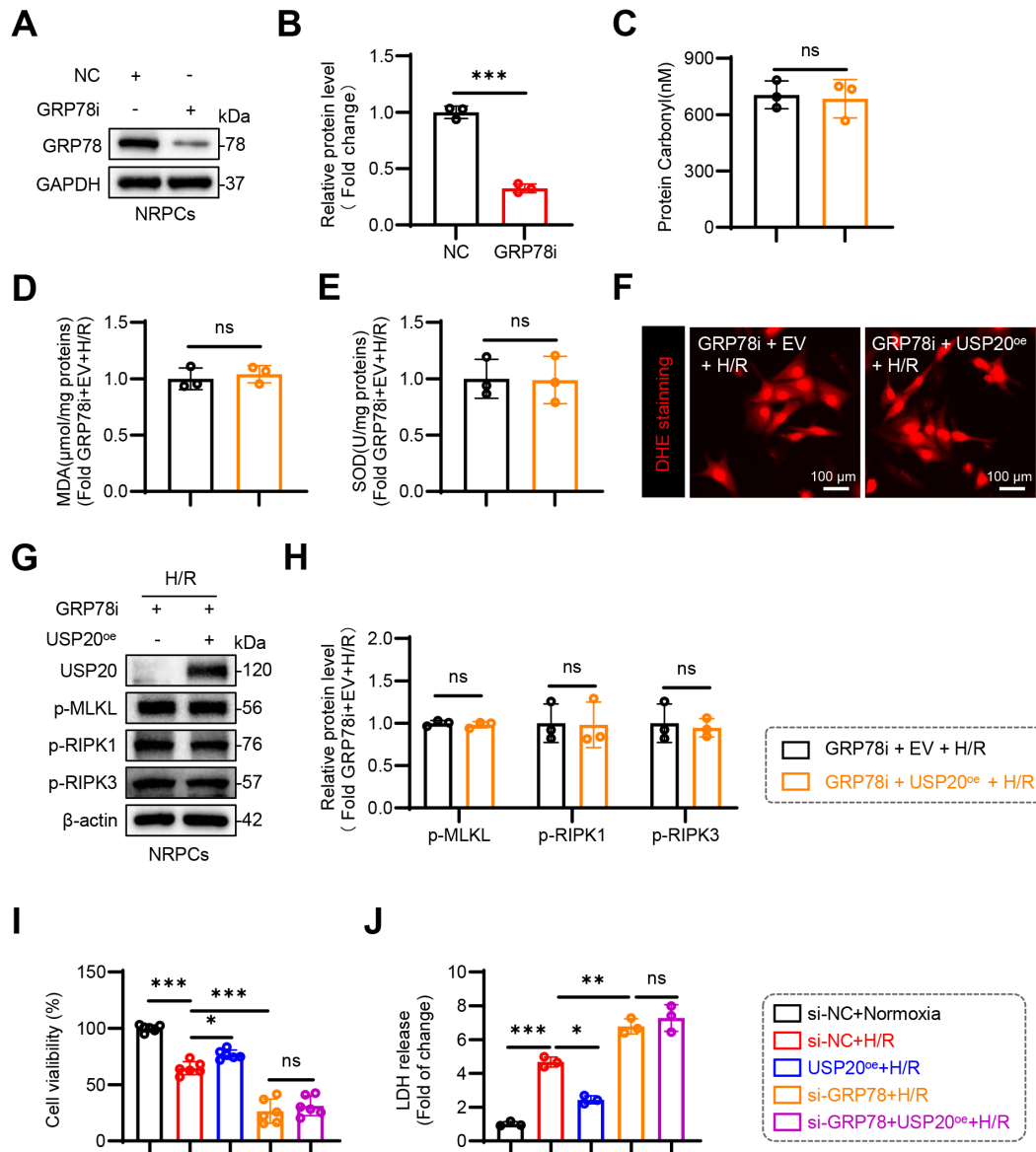
(A) Representative M-mode echocardiography of mice in each group. Time stamp, 100 ms. Scale bar, 2mm.

(B, C) Myocardial function parameters, ejection fraction (EF) (B) and fractional shortening (FS) (C) of mice measured by echocardiography.

(D-F) Serum concentrations of creatine kinase isoenzyme MB (CK-MB) (D), cardiac troponin T (cTnT)(E), and LDH (F) in each group.

(G) H&E staining of major organs (brain, liver, kidney, lung and heart) in each group.

Data are expressed as the mean ± SD. ns, P > 0.05, ns: no differences. n = 6. Student's t-test for B, C, D, E and F.



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214 **Supplementary Figure S10**

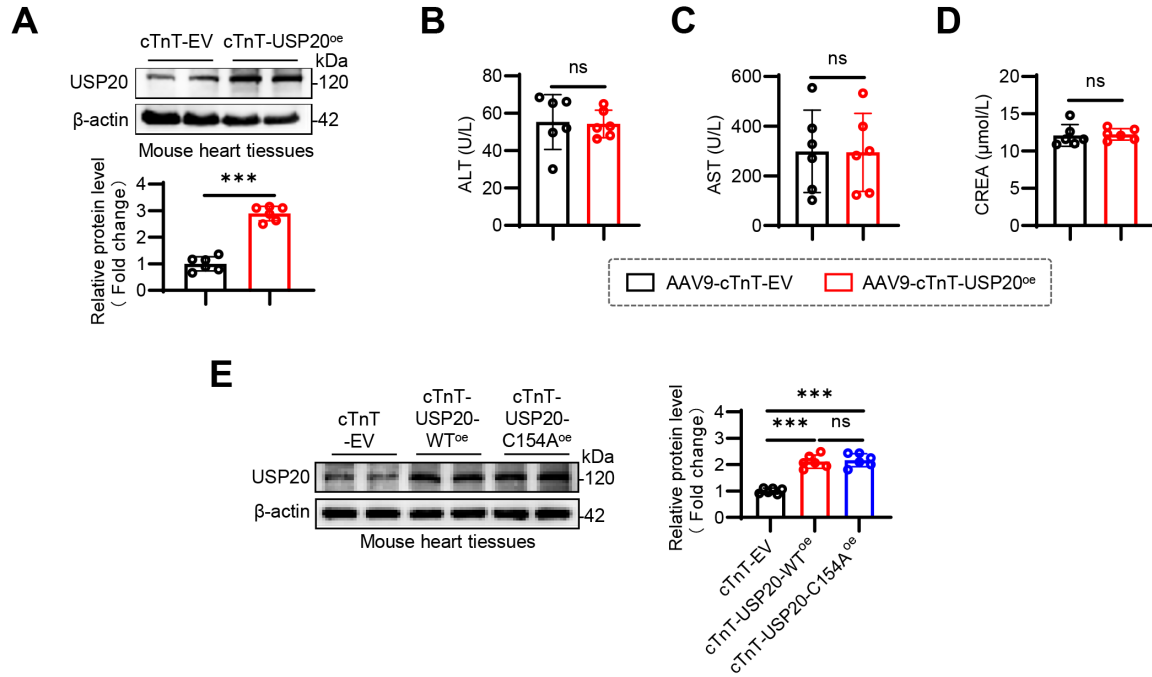
215 (A, B) The protein expression level of GRP78 in NRPCs following siRNA-mediated silencing of
 216 GRP78 (A) and the statistical results (B). n = 3.

217 (C-F) The levels of protein carbonylation (C), MDA (D), SOD (E), and DHE (F) in NRPCs
 218 following GRP78 silencing and USP20 overexpression under H/R stimulation. n = 3.

219 (G, H) The protein expression levels of USP20, p-MLKL, p-RIPK1 and p-RIPK3 in NRPCs
 220 following GRP78 silencing and USP20 overexpression under H/R stimulation (G) and the
 221 statistical results (H). n = 3.

222 (I, J) CCK8 assay (I) and LDH release assay (J) showing the effects of USP20 overexpression
 223 on cell viability and cellular injury in USP20-deficient NRPCs subjected to H/R treatment.

224 Data are expressed as the mean ± SD. *, P < 0.05; **, P < 0.01; ***, P < 0.001; ns, P > 0.05. ns:
 225 no differences. Student's t-test for B, C, D, E and H. One-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's post
 226 hoc test for I and J.



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228 **Supplementary Figure S11**

229 (A) Representative western blot of USP20 in heart tissues from mice subjected to AAV9-USP20^{WT}
 230 and the statistical results. n = 6.

231 (B-D) Serum concentrations of Alanine aminotransferase (ALT, B), Aspartate aminotransferase
 232 (AST, C), and Creatinine (CREA, F) in each group.

233 (E) Representative western blot of USP20 in heart tissues from mice subjected to AAV9-cTnT-
 234 USP20^{WT} or AAV9-cTnT USP20^{C154A} and the statistical results. n = 6.

235 Data are expressed as the mean \pm SD. ***, P < 0.001; ns, P > 0.05. ns: no differences. Student's
 236 t-test for A, B, C and D.

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248 **Supplementary Tables**249 **Table S1: Sequences of primers for real-time qPCR assay used in the study**

Gene	Species	Sequence (Forward)	Sequence (Reverse)
<i>Usp20</i>	Mouse	GCCTTCATCGTGGAGTACATCAGAC	CAGCAGCAAAGAAAGCAGCAAGG
<i>Col-1</i>	Mouse	TGGCCTTGGAGGAACTTTG	CACAGCTTCTCTTTGATGTCAC
<i>Tgf-β</i>	Mouse	CCAGATCCTGTCCAAACTAAGG	CACAGCTTCTCTTTGATGTCAC
<i>Grp78</i>	Mouse	CCGAGGAGGAGGACAAGAAGGAG	GAACACACCGACGCAGGAATAGG
<i>Zup1</i>	Mouse	CCTGGATTGGAGCGTGTGAGAT	GGAGTTCCTCCGTCTCTGAAG
<i>Vcpi1</i>	Mouse	CGTGTGGTCTTATGCAAAGGGAC	TGCCAGGTAGATGTGGAAAAGTAC
<i>Uchl3</i>	Mouse	CAAACCATCAGCAATGCCTGTGG	GGGCTCATTGATACAGACTCCTC
<i>Usp32</i>	Mouse	GGAAATGCCTGTATTGCTGTGGATTG	CTTGTGCTCGCCGACTCTGTTC
<i>Usp1</i>	Mouse	AGTAGCGTCACACCTGTGGACA	GCTTTCACATTCCAAACACCGAG
<i>Tnfaip3</i>	Mouse	CATAGAGACATGCCTCGAACTA	CTTGTGCTCGCCGACTCTGTTC
<i>Usp27x</i>	Mouse	ACCAAGGAACCTTGGAGAGTGG	CCTTCACTGTCCAGCACATCCT
<i>Mindy3</i>	Mouse	CTCGGTATCCATGAACAAGCAGC	GTGAGTTTCGCTGCCAACAATCC
<i>Otud5</i>	Mouse	TACAACCGTCCTGTGGAGGTGT	TGGTAGCTGACACGGATGGGTT
<i>Usp35</i>	Mouse	AAGGAGCTGTTGCTGTCATC	TCATCCTGCTAATGGCAGTCA
<i>Usp21</i>	Mouse	TCCTGAATGCCGTGCTACAGTG	AGAGGGCACCAATCACATCTGC
<i>Otud7a</i>	Mouse	CTCATCCTGTCCCTAGAAGCCA	GTTGGAGACTCTGGCTGTGCAA
<i>Usp2</i>	Mouse	ACAACCTGTATGCTGTGTCCAATC	GTGTGCCATTGCCTGTAACC
<i>Usp36</i>	Mouse	CGATGTGGTCCAGGCGTTGC	AAGGCTCGCCATCCCAGGTC
<i>Usp54</i>	Mouse	ATCCGCCGTGTCTTGATGAATG	GTCCTCTGCCAAGTCTGAATGC
<i>β-actin</i>	Mouse	CCGTGAAAAGATGACCCAGA	TACGACCAGAGGCATACAG
<i>Usp20</i>	Rat	GCAAGTGGATGAGGACGCTGATG	GTGGACTTCATTGTCTGGCTCTGG
<i>β-actin</i>	Rat	CCTAGACTTCGAGCAAGAGA	GGAAGGAAGGCTGGAAGA
<i>Usp20</i>	Human	TTCTACAGGAAGAGCAGCGAGGAG	GCGAAGGTGTTGAACTTGTTGAGC
<i>β-actin</i>	Human	CCTGGCACCCAGCACAAAT	GCCGATCCACACGGAGTACT

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Table S2: Biometric and echocardiographic parameters in mice of each group

Chronic myocardial I/R injury model Parameter	Sham Group		I/R Group	
	USP20 ^{fl/fl}	USP20 CKO	USP20 ^{fl/fl}	USP20 CKO
	n=6	n=6	n=6	n=6
Heart rate, (bpm)	507±20	499±28 ^{ns}	527±20 ^{ns}	502±24 ^{NS}
LVAW; s, (mm)	1.17±0.21	1.18±0.14 ^{ns}	1.15±0.12 ^{ns}	0.87±0.16 [#]
LVAW; d, (mm)	0.56±0.14	0.62±0.15 ^{ns}	0.81±0.11 [*]	0.69±0.10 ^{NS}
LVPW; s, (mm)	1.25±0.25	1.11±0.28 ^{ns}	0.96±0.23 ^{ns}	1.11±0.22 ^{NS}
LVPW; d, (mm)	0.89±0.28	0.66±0.26 ^{ns}	0.74±0.25 ^{ns}	0.98±0.30 ^{NS}

253 ns and *, represents USP20 CKO + Sham group or USP20^{fl/fl} + I/R group compared with USP20^{fl/fl}
 254 + Sham group. *, P < 0.05; ns, P > 0.05. ns, no significance.

255 NS and #, represents USP20 CKO + I/R group compared with USP20^{fl/fl} + I/R group. #, P < 0.05;
 256 NS, P > 0.05. NS, no significance.

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