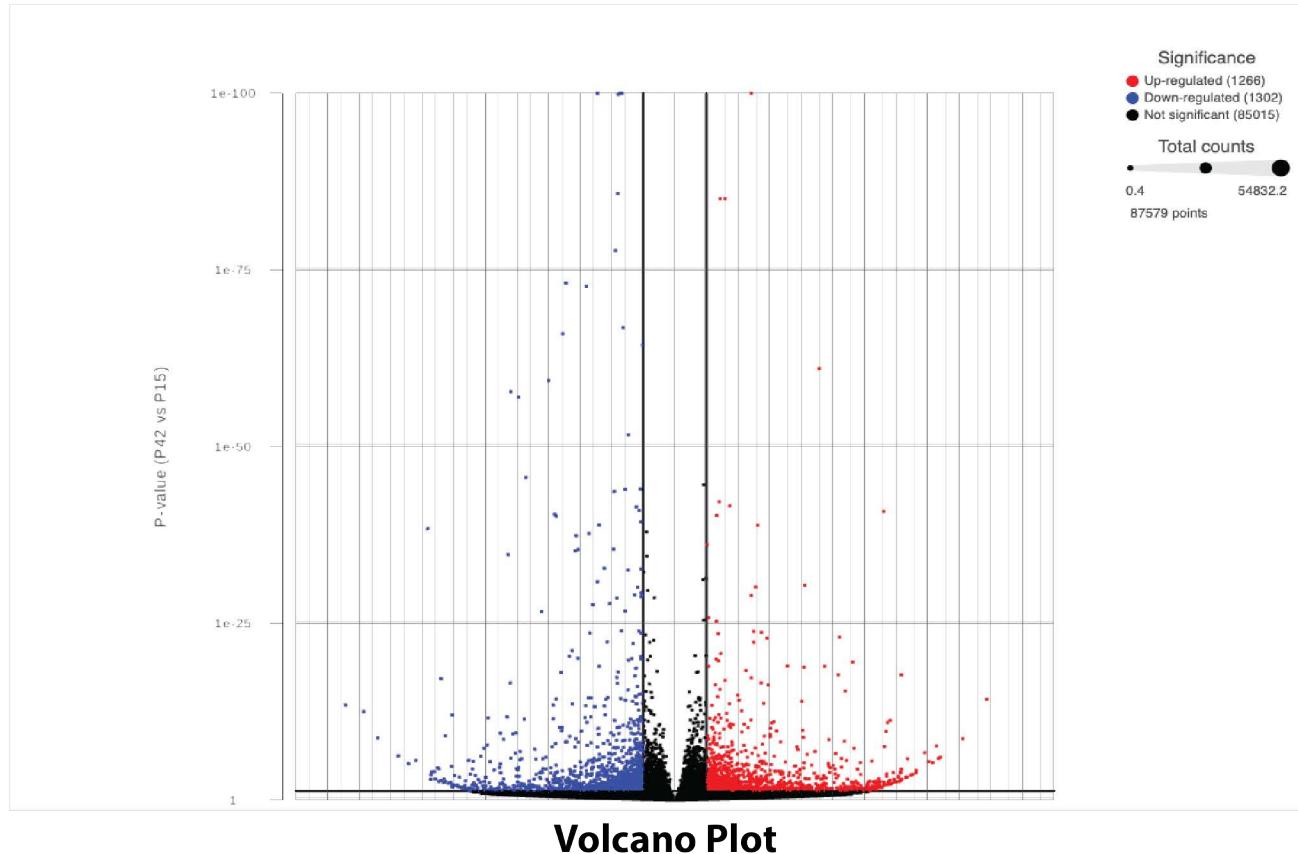
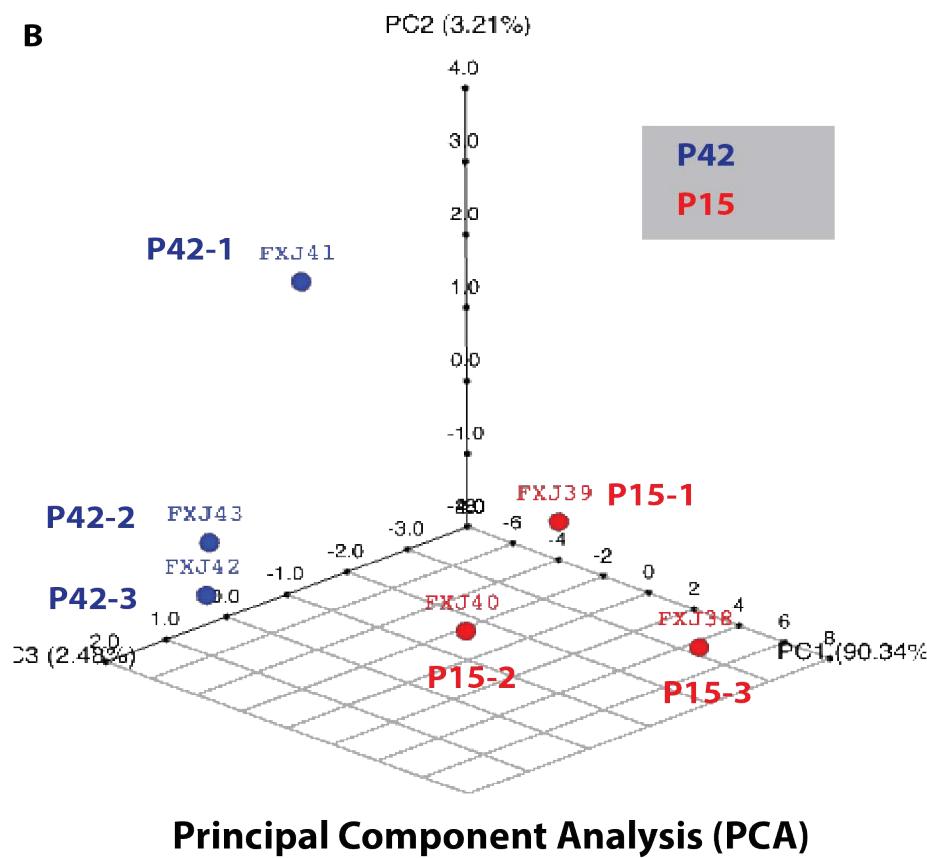
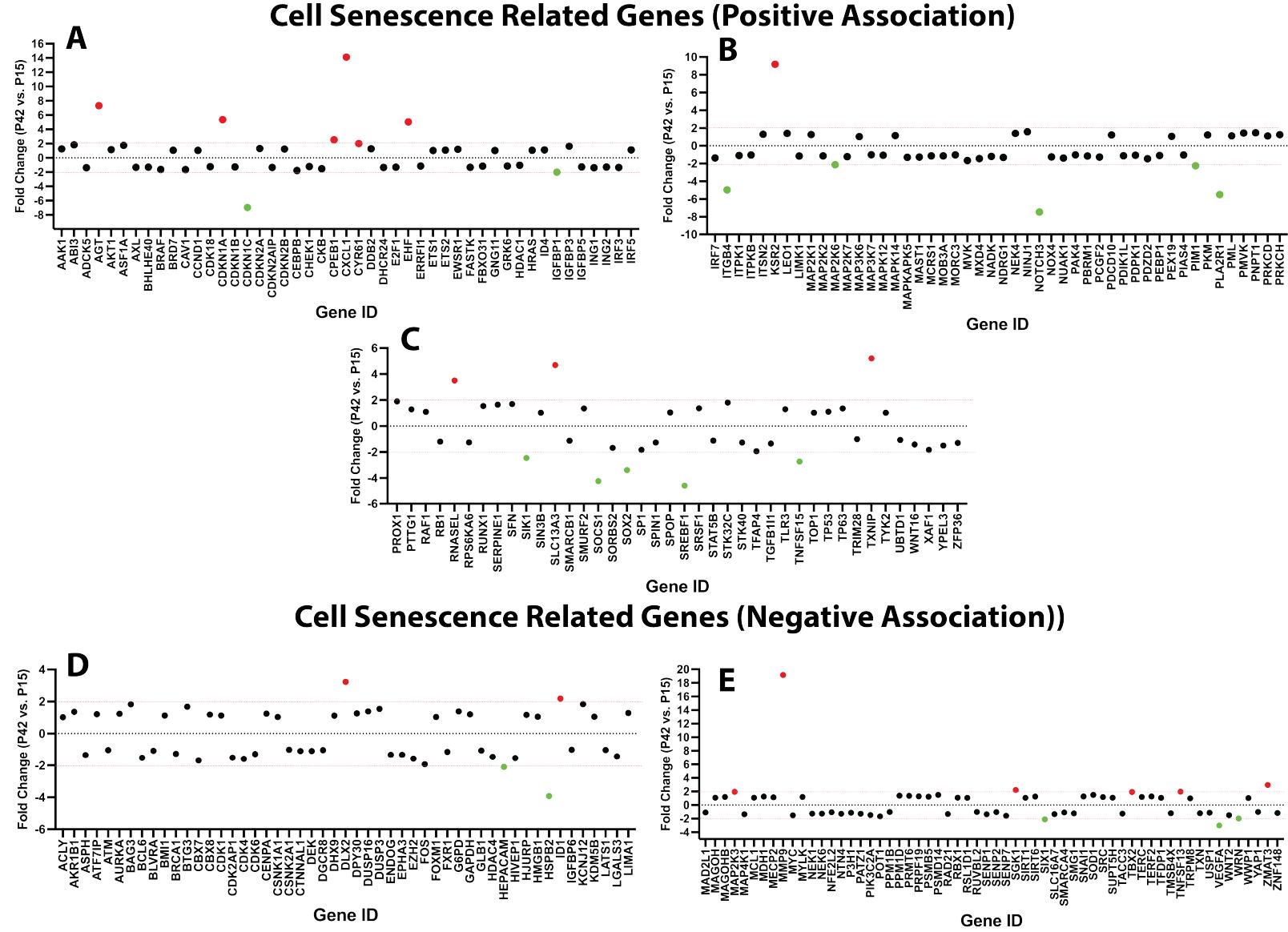


**Table S1.** Common and distinct genes in human FHL124 LECs vs. three mouse lens epithelium in their top 500 most expressed genes

| Common Genes List  |         |         | Distinct Genes List   |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|
| <i>179 of 254 shared genes in 3 independently reported mouse lens epithelium are also FHL124 top 500 expressed genes</i> |         |         | <i>75 of 254 shared genes in 3 independently reported mouse lens epithelium are not in FHL124 top 500 expressed genes</i> |         |         |
| ACTB   | MORF4L1 | RPL38   | AKR1A1  | CST3    | NID1    |
| ACTG1  | MRFAP1  | RPL39   | ALDH1A1   | CTSD    | NREP    |
| ALDOA  | MT-ATP6 | RPL4    | ARGLU1  | CTSL    | ODC1    |
| ANXA1  | MT-ATP8 | RPL41   | ARHGDIA   | DKK3    | PGK1    |
| APP  | MT-CO1  | RPL6    | ASS1  | EEF1B2  | PMP22   |
| ARF1   | MT-CO2  | RPL7    | ATP1B3  | FOXE3   | R3HDM1  |
| ATP1A1   | MT-CO3  | RPL7A   | ATP6V0C   | GJA3    | RPL23A  |
| ATP5A1   | MT-ND1  | RPL8    | BC1   | GJA8    | RPL36   |
| ATP5B  | MT-ND2  | RPL9    | BTG1  | GNG5    | RPL36A  |
| BSG  | MT-ND3  | RPLP0   | CADM1   | GRIFIN  | RPS25   |
| BTF3   | MT-ND4  | RPLP1   | CD81  | GSTM1   | RPS26   |
| CALM2  | MT-ND4L | RPS11   | CDH1  | H3F3A   | RPS28   |
| CALM3  | MT-ND5  | RPS12   | CLU   | HIF1A   | SELENOW |
| CALR   | MT-ND6  | RPS13   | COX4I1  | IGFBP7  | SFRP1   |
| CANX   | MT-RNR1 | RPS14   | COX6C   | ITM2B   | SKP1A   |
| CCT2   | MT-RNR2 | RPS15   | COX8A   | LIX1    | SLC25A4 |
| CCT5   | NACA    | RPS15A  | CPE   | MAGED1  | SLC2A1  |
| CD63   | NPM1    | RPS16   | CRYAA   | MGARP   | SLC7A8  |
| CDH2   | OAZ1    | RPS17   | CRYAB   | MIF     | TMEM59  |
| CFL1   | P4HB    | RPS18   | CRYBA1  | MIP     | TUBB5   |
| CHCHD2   | PABPC1  | RPS19   | CRYBA2  | MRFAP1  | UBB     |
| CNN3   | PDIA3   | RPS2    | CRYBA4  | MT-CYTB | UQCRH   |
| COL4A1   | PEBP1   | RPS20   | CRYBB1  | NAP1L1  | VIT     |
| COL4A2   | PFN1    | RPS21   | CRYBB3  | NDUFA1  | SOD1    |
| COTL1  | PGAM1   | RPS23   | CRYGS   | NEDD4   | SPON1   |
| CRIM1  | PHGDH   | RPS24   |   |         |         |
| DDOST  | PKM     | RPS27A  |   |         |         |
| DDX5   | PPIA    | RPS29   |   |         |         |
| DSTN   | PPIB    | RPS3    |   |         |         |
| EEF1A1   | PSAP    | RPS3A   |   |         |         |
| EEF1G  | PTMA    | RPS4X   |   |         |         |
| EEF2   | PTMS    | RPS5    |   |         |         |
| EIF1   | PXDN    | RPS6    |   |         |         |
| EIF4A1   | RAC1    | RPS7P1  |   |         |         |
| EIF4B  | RCN1    | RPS8    |   |         |         |
| EIF4G2   | RPL10   | RPS9    |   |         |         |
| EIF5A  | RPL11   | RPSA    |   |         |         |
| ENO1   | RPL13   | SCD     |   |         |         |
| EZR  | RPL13A  | SERF2   |   |         |         |
| FSTL1  | RPL14   | SLC25A3 |   |         |         |
| FTH1   | RPL18   | SLC25A5 |   |         |         |
| FTL  | RPL18A  | SLC38A2 |   |         |         |
| GAPDH  | RPL19   | SLC3A2  |   |         |         |
| GJA1   | RPL22   | SLC7A5  |   |         |         |
| GNAS   | RPL23   | SPARC   |   |         |         |
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| HMGN2  | RPL26   | STMN1   |   |         |         |
| HNRNPA1  | RPL27   | TKT     |   |         |         |
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| HNRNPU   | RPL28   | TMSB10  |   |         |         |
| HSP90AA1   | RPL29   | TMSB4X  |   |         |         |
| HSP90AB1   | RPL3    | TPT1    |   |         |         |
| HSP90B1  | RPL30   | TUBA1A  |   |         |         |
| HSPA5  | RPL31   | TUBA1B  |   |         |         |
| HSPA8  | RPL32   | UBB     |   |         |         |
| HSPG2  | RPL34   | VIM     |   |         |         |
| ITGB1  | RPL35   | YBX1    |   |         |         |
| LDHA   | RPL35A  | YWHAE   |   |         |         |
| MALAT1   | RPL37   | YWHAQ   |   |         |         |
|  | RPL37A  | YWHAZ   |   |         |         |

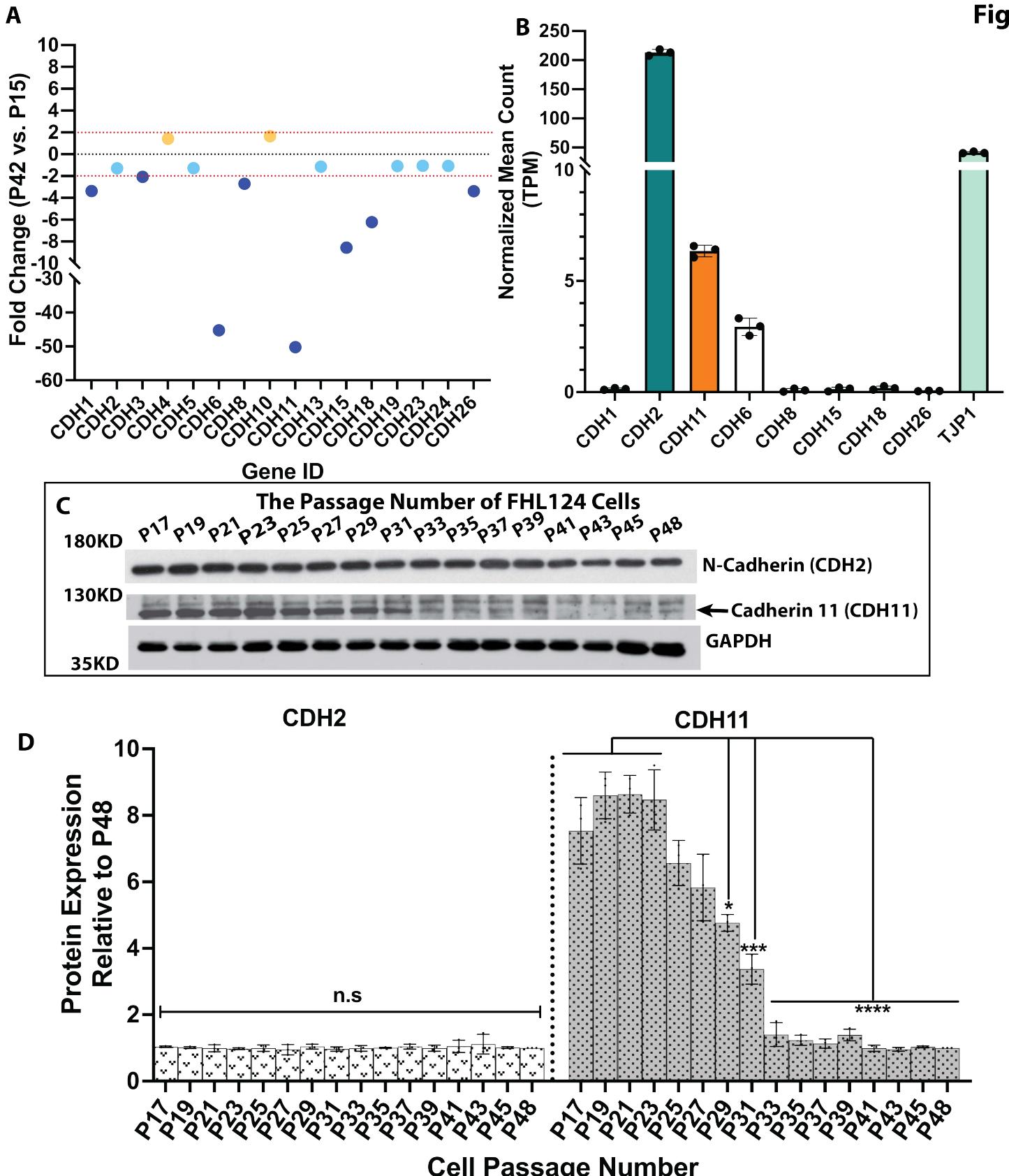
**Figure S1****A****P42 vs. P15****B**

**Figure S1.** RNAseq data analysis summary. (A) volcano plot comparing P42 to P15 FHL124 cells. (B) Principal component analysis (PCA).

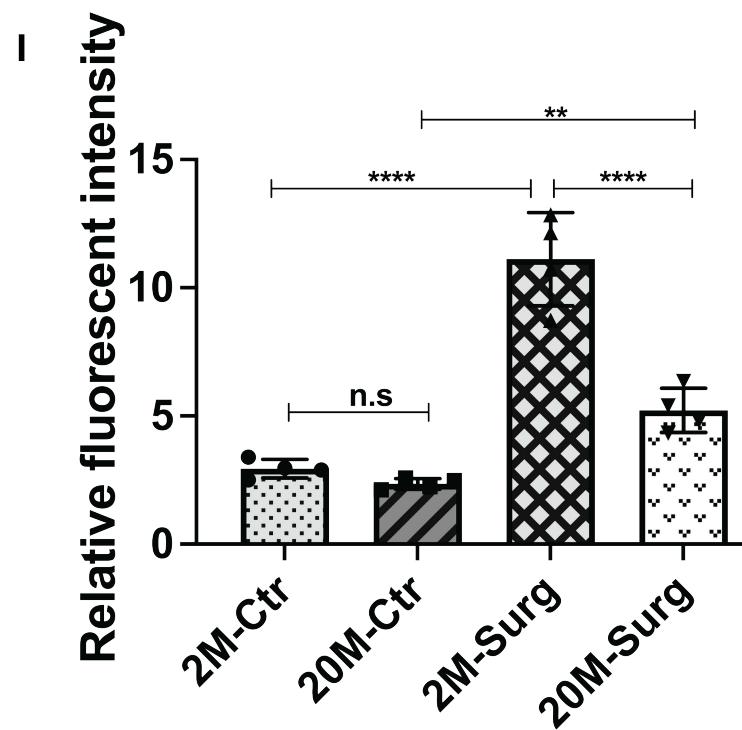
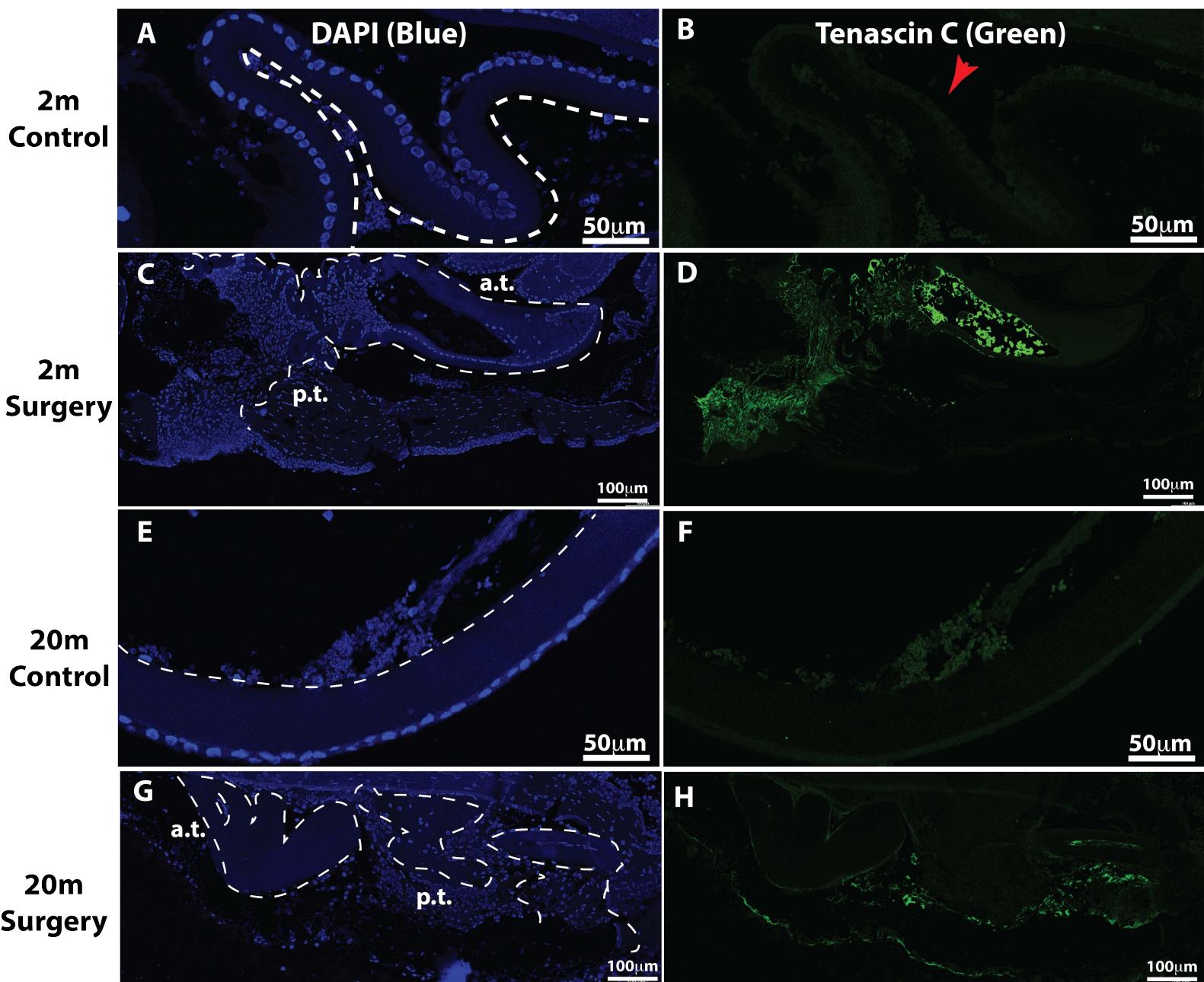
**Figure S2**

**Figure S2.** DEGs analysis of cell senescence related genes. (A, B, C) DEGs positively associated with cell senescence. (D, E) DEGs negatively associated with cell senescence. Data are expressed in fold change between P42 and P15 passage FHL124 cells. Red dot: >2-fold upregulated; Green dot: >2-fold downregulated; Black dot: >1 but <2-fold up-or down-regulated.

Figure S3



**Figure S3.** Cadherin 11 (CDH11) is an EMT marker for LECs. (A) RNAseq data of cell adhesion cadherin family molecules. Data are expressed as fold change of P42 vs. P15 passage FHL124 cells. Dark blue dot: >2-fold downregulated; light blue dot: >1 but <2-fold downregulated; orange dot: >1 but <2-fold upregulated. (B) The relative mRNA levels of selected cadherin genes are measured by normalized mean count of transcripts per million (TPM). ZO-1 (TJP1) serves as a reference cell junction gene. (C) N-cadherin and CDH11 protein expression determined by immunoblot. GAPDH serves as a loading control. (D) Semi-quantitative results of N-cadherin and CDH11 protein levels in FHL124 cells at various passages. Results are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD and were analyzed using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test. Only p<0.05 is considered significant. \*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.01, \*\*\*p<0.001, \*\*\*\*p<0.0001, n.s, not significant.

**Figure S4**

**Figure S4.** Tenascin C protein expression in 2- and 20-months old mouse lens capsules after cataract surgery. (A, C, E, G) cell nucleus staining by DAPI is shown in blue. (B, D, F, H) Tenascin C antibody staining is shown in green. (A) 2 months control, DAPI. (B) 2 months control, Tenascin C. (C) 2 months surgery, DAPI. (D) 2 months surgery, Tenascin C. (E) 20 months control, DAPI. (F) 20 months control, Tenascin C. (G) 20 months surgery, DAPI. (H) 20 months surgery, Tenascin C. (I) Quantitative results of Tenascin C protein expression based on fluorescence intensity ( $n=4$ ). Results are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD and were analyzed using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparisons test. Only  $p<0.05$  is considered significant. \* $p<0.05$ , \*\* $p<0.01$ , \*\*\* $p<0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $p<0.0001$ , ns, not significant.