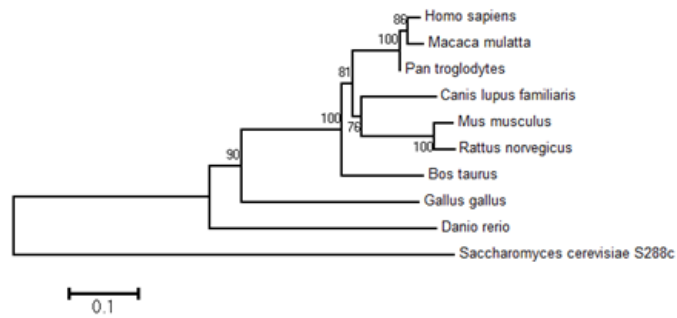


Fig. S1



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2 **Fig. S1 The conservation of the NOC4L protein among different species**

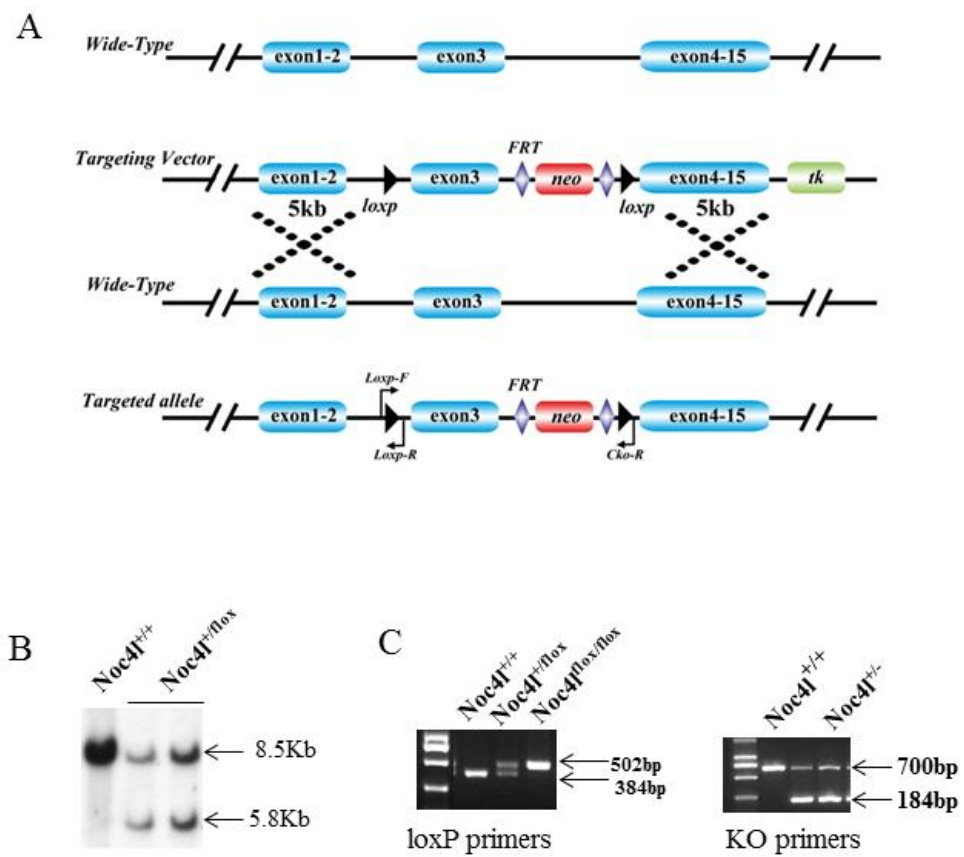
3 Phylogenetic relationships of NOC4L proteins. The protein sequences used are

4 provided in the material and methods section. The phylogenetic relationship of the

5 sequences was estimated using the neighbor-joining algorithm with MEGA6 software.

6 Branch lengths are proportional to the amount of evolution predicted to occur with
 7 each lineage. Numbers refer to the percentage of bootstrap replications that support
 8 each node.
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Fig. S2



11 **Fig. S2 Generation of Noc4l-knockout (Noc4l^{-/-}) mice.**

12 (A) Schematic representation of the mouse *Noc4l* genomic locus and the targeting
13 strategy used to generate the conditional knockout of the *Noc4l* gene by deleting exon
14 3. The coding exons of the *Noc4l* gene are represented by blue boxes. The target
15 vector with exon 3 of the *Noc4l* gene was flanked by two loxP sites (triangle) and
16 with one neomycin resistance gene. The primers used were loxP primers
17 (loxp-F/loxp-R) for loxP site identification and KO primers (loxp-F1/Cko-R) for
18 deficient genotypes. (B) Southern blot analysis. Genomic DNA was isolated from
19 targeted ES cells and digested with BamHI. Digestion of wild-type allele (*Noc4l*^{+/+})
20 yields an 8.5-Kb fragment, while the digestion of the mutant allele yields a 5.8-Kb
21 fragment. (C) Genotyping of *Noc4l*^{+/+} and *Noc4l*^{+/-} mice by PCR analysis. The DNA
22 template was extracted from mouse tails. The loxP site was identified using loxP
23 primers (384bp/502bp, right panel). The genotypes of the offspring were analyzed by
24 PCR using the KO primers (184bp/700bp, left panel).

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