	Age	Controls	Sf1-Ptpn1 <sup>-/-</sup>	p-value
	(weeks)	(n=9-21)	(n=4-9)	
Blood glucose (mg/dl) in fed state	18	141 ± 5	143 ± 5	0.85
	14	137 ± 3	141 ± 5	0.11
Blood glucose (mg/dl) 5 hrs after	16	142 ± 6	170 ± 7	0.042
food removal	27	130 ± 8	172 ± 2	0.026
	28	143 ± 1	162 ± 2	0.29
Plasma insulin (ng/ml) 5 hrs after	28	$0.30 \pm 0.07$	0.99 ± 0.34	0.015
food removal				

**Supplemental Table 1**. Blood glucose and plasma insulin levels in female mice on HFD in the fed state at 10 am and 5 hours after food removal. Data are means  $\pm$  SEM. The values in bold and italics are statistically different between genotypes.



Supplemental Figure 1. PTP1B expression in wild-type mice. Immunostaining of coronal sections of hypothalami from *Ptpn1*<sup>+/+</sup> (A, C) and *Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup>(B, D) mice shows PTP1B levels in VMH (A, B) and LH (C, D) neurons and demonstrates specificity of anti-PTP1B antibodies. Scale bars: 50µm. Original magnification: x20



Supplemental Figure 2. PTP1B is expressed in VMH and LH neurons of Sf1-Cre:Ptpn1<sup>lox/+</sup>:IsI-tdTomato mice. Coronal sections of hypothalami from Sf1-Cre:Ptpn1<sup>lox/+</sup>:IsI-tdTomato mice showing immunostaining for PTP1B (green) and tdTomato (red). Panels A-J and K-T demonstrate that PTP1B is expressed in LH and VMH neurons, respectively. Note the absence of tdTomato fluorescence in LH sections indicating the absence of Sf1-Cre expression in LH, which lacks Sf1 neurons. All immunofluorescence was performed on the same brains. These images are representative of data on 3 brains. A, F, K and P show DAPI staining of cell nuclei. Merged 1 corresponds to the overlay of the anti-PTP1B (green) and tdTomato (red) images. Merged 2 corresponds to the overlay of the DAPI, anti-PTP1B (green) and tdTomato (red) images. Scale bars: 100µm (A-E, K-O); 20µm (F-J, P-T). Original magnification: x10 (A-E, K-O); x63 (F-J, P-T).



**Supplemental Figure 3.** *Sf1-Ptpn1-/-* mice have normal body weight on chow diet. Data shown are means ± SEM. n=11-22 per group.



Supplemental Figure 4. Reproductive function and hormone levels are normal in *Sf1-Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice on HFD. (A) Serum estradiol-17 $\beta$  levels at 28 and 45 weeks (n=6-16 per group). (B) Serum testosterone levels at 24 weeks (n=4-11) and 45 weeks (n=6-17); ND=not detected. (C) Days to gestation and (D) litter size for the indicated breeding pairs (n=5 per genotype combination). (E) Basal serum corticosterone, (F) serum corticosterone after 15 min of restraint, and (G) serum T4 levels (n=4-8). Data shown are means ± SEM.



Supplemental Figure 5. Sf1-Ptpn1<sup>-/-</sup> mice have increased feed efficiency. (A) Cumulative food intake after 24h fast, followed by re-feeding of HFD for the indicated times (left panel); and feed efficiency during 24h of re-feeding (right panel) HFD to 18-20 week-old female mice (before body weight divergence); n=10-13. (B) The same experiment as in (A) was repeated in 36 week-old female mice; n=5-8. Slopes are compared by ANCOVA. Data represent means  $\pm$  SEM.



Supplemental Figure 6. Sf1-Ptpn1<sup>-/-</sup> mice show normal expression of genes involved in thermogenesis. (A) Ucp2, (B) Ucp3, and (C)  $Pgc-1\alpha$  mRNA levels in BAT from Control and Sf1- $Ptpn1^{-/-}$  mice at room temperature (RT) and after 3 days of cold exposure (4°C). All mice are females on HFD at 33-35 weeks of age. Data represent means ± SEM. n=5/8 per genotype.



Supplemental Figure 7. Glucose and insulin levels during glucose tolerance tests in *Sf1-Ptpn1<sup>-/-</sup>* mice. Blood glucose response and insulin release during glucose tolerance tests (1mg/kg IP) performed at 18 weeks (**A**, **B**; n=16 per group), 28 weeks (**C**, **D**; n=4-10), and 45 weeks of age (**E**, **F**; n=9-18). All mice were females on HFD. Data are means  $\pm$  SEM. \**P* < 0.05 by unpaired *t* test.



Supplemental Figure 8. Estradiol-17 $\beta$  treatment causes weight loss and decreased feed efficiency in Control and *Sf1-Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup> male mice on HFD. (A) Body weights on HFD of Control (open squares, n=5) and *Sf1-Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup> (black squares, n=7) male mice, treated with placebo, and Control (open circle, n=4) and *Sf1-Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup> (black circle, n=7) mice, treated with subcutaneous estrogen pellet (2µg/day/mouse). Data represent means ± SEM. \**P* <0.05 for placebo versus estrogen groups for each genotype, using ANOVA with unpaired *t*-test for individual comparisons. (B) Feed efficiency in HFD-fed Control and *Sf1-Ptpn1*<sup>-/-</sup> male mice administered placebo or subcutaneous estrogen pellet. \**P* <0.05 versus the respective placebo group for each genotype; slopes compared by ANCOVA.



Supplemental Figure 9. Increased adiposity in female *Sf1-Ptpn1*-/- cannot be explained by altered hypothalamic ER levels. ER $\alpha$  and ER $\beta$  levels in hypothalamic nuclei of female *Sf1-Ptpn1*-/- mice on HFD. ER $\alpha$  and ER $\beta$  mRNA levels in (A) arcuate (ARC), (B) paraventricular (PVN) and (C) dorso- and ventromedial (DMH/VMH) nuclei of the hypothalamus of Control and *Sf1-Ptpn1*-/- female mice on HFD were quantified by RT-qPCR. Data represent means of gene expression/18S ± SEM. Controls, n=6; *Sf1-Ptpn1*-/-, n=8.