

Supplementary Table S1. List of primers.

Gene Name	Official Gene Symbol ^a	Forward (5'-3')	Reverse (5'-3')
Ornithine decarboxylase, structural 1	<i>Odc1</i>	ATGGGTCCAGAGGCCAAA	CTGCTTCATGAGTTGCCACA TT
Ornithine decarboxylase antizyme 1	<i>Oaz1</i>	GAGTTCGCAGAGGAGCAACT	CCAAGAAAGCTGAAGGTT G
Ornithine decarboxylase antizyme 2	<i>Oaz2</i>	AGTAAGTGTCCTCCAGCTCCA	ATCTTCGACAGTGGGTGAG G
Antizyme inhibitor 1	<i>Azin1</i>	CTTCCACGAACCATCTGCT	TTCCAGCATCTTGCATCTCA
Antizyme inhibitor 2	<i>Azin2</i>	GCTTAGAGGGAGCCAAAAGTG	CTCAGCAAGGATGTCCACA C
β-actin	<i>Actb</i>	GATTACTGCTCTGGCTCCTAGC A	GCTCAGGAGGAGCAATGAT CTT
β-galactosidase	<i>LacZ</i>	TTATCGATGAGCGTGGTGTTA TGC	GCACGATAGAGATTCGGGA TTT

^a Mouse Genome Informatics Database.

Supplementary Table S2. Ornithine carboxylase activity during the postnatal period.

Time (days)	mmol ¹⁴ CO ₂ h ⁻¹ g ⁻¹ (mean ± SE)
1	5.864 ± 0.635
2	4.583 ± 0.278
5	4.117 ± 0.316
7	2.235 ± 0.452
10	0.905 ± 0.123
20	0.070 ± 0.009
60	0.078 ± 0.012