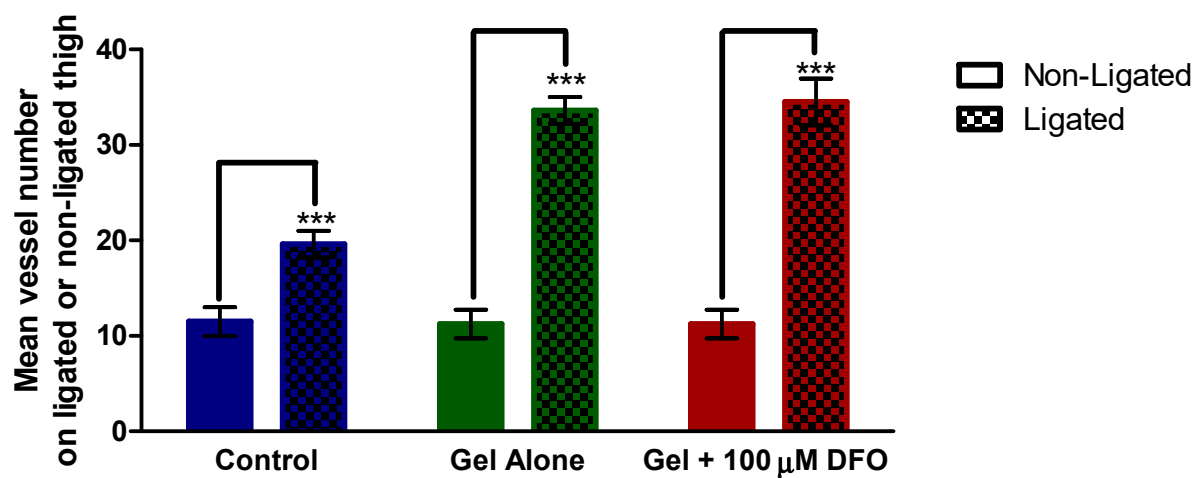


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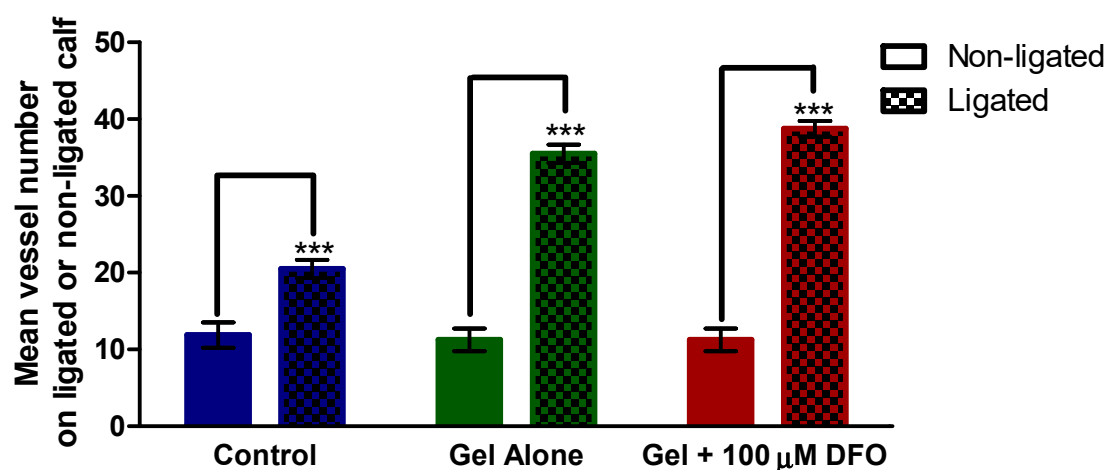
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## Supplementary Material

CD31 staining of the thigh and calf of mice was performed. This staining showed that ligation of the vessel, significantly ( $p < 0.001$ ) increased the vessel count, compared to that in the non-ligated limb in both the thigh (Fig. S1) and the calf (Fig. S2).



**Figure S1** CD31 vessel counts in the thigh of ligated and non-ligated limbs. Ligation significantly increased the vessel count in the thigh compared to the thigh of a non-ligated limb. \*\*\*= $p < 0.001$ .  $n = 8$ .



**Figure S2** CD31 vessel counts in the calf of ligated and non-ligated limbs. Ligation significantly increased the vessel count in the thigh compared to the thigh of a non-ligated limb. \*\*\*= $p < 0.001$ .  $n = 8$ .