

**Supplementary data to:**

**Compound-specific adaptation of hepatoma cell lines to toxic iron**

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**Supplementary Table 1.** Primers used for RT-qPCR analysis

<b>Gene Symbol</b>	<b>Synonym</b>	<b>Accession Number</b>	<b>Forward/Reverse (5'-3')</b>
<b>BMP6</b>	Bone morphogenetic protein 6	NM_001718	AGCCTGCAGGAAGCATGAG/AACCAAGGTCTGCACAATCG
<b>CP</b>	Ceruloplasmin	NM_000096	CACGGCCATAGCTTCCAATAC/CCAAATTCCAGGTGTTCTTGG
<b>DMT1</b>	Divalent metal transporter 1	NM_001174127	GGGTTGGCAATGTTTGATTG/GCGTCCATGGTGTTTCAGAAG
<b>FBXL5</b>	F-box and leucine rich repeat protein 5	NM_012161	CTGCAGGATTTGGTTTCAGC/CTGCAAATTCTGGCATCCAC
<b>FPN1</b>	Ferroportin 1 (SLC40A1)	NM_014585	TGTCCCGGAGACAAGTCCTG/CAAAGGACCAAAGACCGATTC
<b>FTH1</b>	Ferritin heavy chain 1	NM_002032	TGCACAAACTGGCCACTGAC/CGTGGTCACCCAATTCTTTG
<b>FTL</b>	Ferritin light chain	NM_000146	GATCTTCATGCCCTGGGTTC/GGTGGTCACCCATCTTCTTG
<b>FXN</b>	Frxataxin	NM_000144	CGCCAAACAAGCAAATCTGG/AGCAGCTCATGGAGGGACAC

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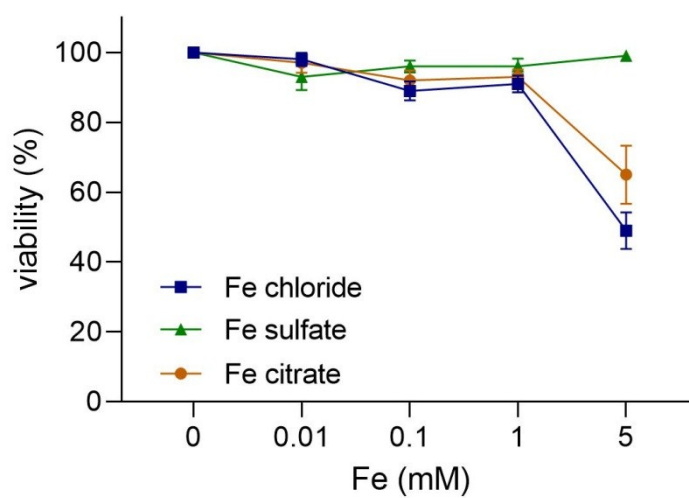
<b>GAPDH</b>	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase	NM_002046	CCCACTCCTCCACCTTTGAC/CCACCACCCTGTTGCTGTAG
<b>HAMP</b>	Hepcidin antimicrobial peptide	NM_021175	CAACAGACGGGACAACCTTGC/CTTCGCCTCTGGAACATGG
<b>HFE</b>	Hemochromatosis	NM_000410	CGTCTGGCACCCCTAGTCATTG/TCTTGAACCCTGCCTCTTCC
<b>HIF1A</b>	Hypoxia inducible factor 1 alpha subunit	NM_001530	GGCAATCAATGGATGAAAGTG/CAGTAGGTTTCTGCTGCCTTG
<b>HMOX1</b>	Heme oxygenase 1	NM_002133	GAGCTGCTGACCCATGACAC/GGGCAGAATCTTGCACTTTG
<b>HP</b>	Haptoglobin	NM_001126102	GACACCTGGTATGCGACTGG/CCCAGTCCTGGATGGAAGTC
<b>IRP1</b>	Iron responsive element binding protein (Aconitase 1)	NM_001278352	CACAGGGCAAGAACGATACAC/TGACAGCCTGGAAGGTCTTG
<b>IRP2</b>	Iron responsive element binding protein 2	NM_004136	CAGAGACTGGGCTGCCAAAG/GAAGTGGAGCTATGCCAATTCC
<b>LRP1</b>	LDL receptor related protein 1	NM_002332	CTGGTATAAGCGGCGAGTCC/GCTCTCCGCCTTCGTACATC
<b>MDR1</b>	Multi Drug Resistance Protein 1	NM_000927	TCGTGCCCTTGTTAGACAGC/CCAAGAAGCCCTGGACAAAG

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<b>MFRN2</b>	Mitoferrin-2 (SLC25A28)	NM_031212	TCATGATGCAGCCATGAACC/GTCTGTCACCCGGTGGTATG
<b>MT1</b>	Metallothionein 1	NM_005952	CTCCTTGCCTCGAAATGGAC/GCATTTCACACTCTTTGCATTTG
<b>NCOA4</b>	Nuclear receptor coactivator 4	NM_001145260	CCTGCCAGGAAAGAAGATGG/CTTCCTGGGCCTTCTTTTCG
<b>NEO1</b>	Neogenin 1	NM_002499	GAAGTGCAGGAGACCACAAGG/AGGTGGGCCATCTCTTTGG
<b>SLC13A5</b>	Solute carrier family 13 member 5	NM_001143838	GCATCGTGCTGCTACTAGGG/ CAAGGGCTCCATCTGCTTC
<b>SOD2</b>	Superoxide dismutase 2	NM_000636	CAAATTGCTGCTTGTCCAATC/TAAGCGTGCTCCCACACATC
<b>TF</b>	Transferrin	NM_001063	GATAAGGAAGCTTGCGTCCAC/TTGCCCGAGCAGTCAGTTAC
<b>TFR1</b>	Transferrin receptor	NM_001128148	GAGAGGTACAACAGCCAAGTGC/TGTAAACTCAGGCCCATTTCC
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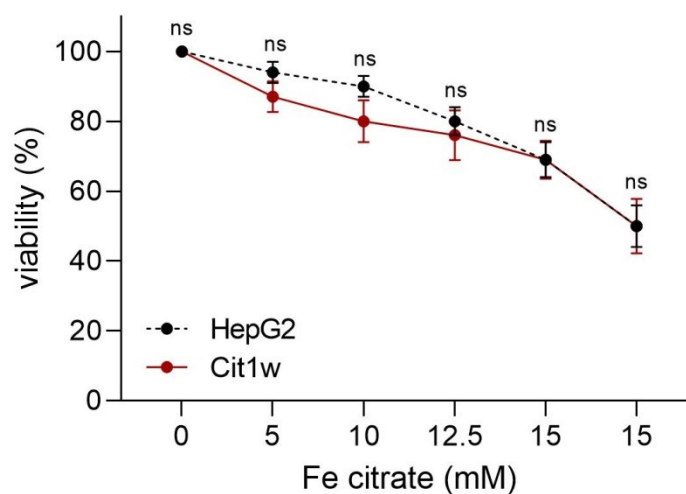
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### Supplementary Figure S1

#### Compound-specific toxicity after long-term treatment of HepG2 cells.

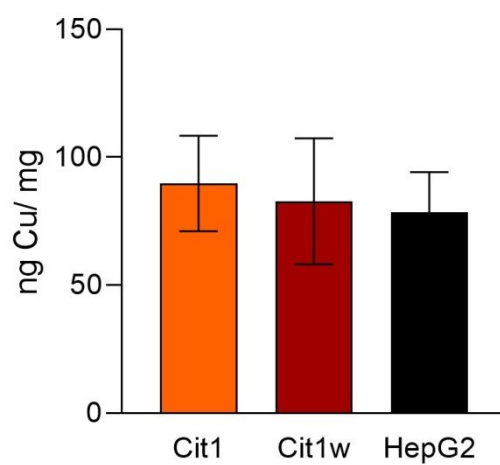
HepG2 cells were cultivated in presence of Fe chloride, Fe sulfate or Fe citrate for 5 days and subjected to MTT assay. Viability of cells was determined relative to untreated cells (100%). Mean  $\pm$  SEM is given (n=3).



### Supplementary Figure S2

#### Weaned Cit1w cells are sensitive to iron citrate.

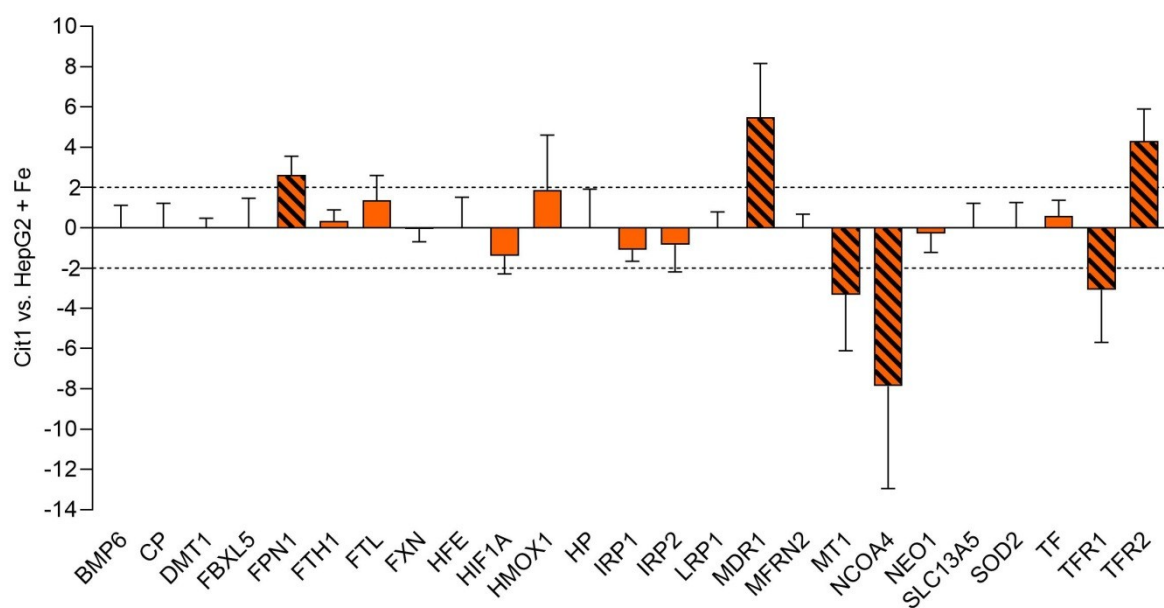
Cit1 cells that were cultivated in the absence of iron citrate (weaned) for several days were subjected to MTT assay. Cells were treated with iron for 48 h. Viability of cells was determined relative to untreated cells (100%). For comparison, results of parental HepG2 cells are denoted (dotted line). Mean  $\pm$  SEM is given (n=3). \* $P < 0.05$ . ns, not significant.



### Supplementary Figure S3

**Cellular copper accumulation is not affected after long-term treatment of hepatoma cells.**

Intracellular copper was determined by TXRF in Cit1, Cit1w and HepG2 cells after 4 h incubation with 10 mM iron citrate. Mean  $\pm$  SEM is given (n=3).

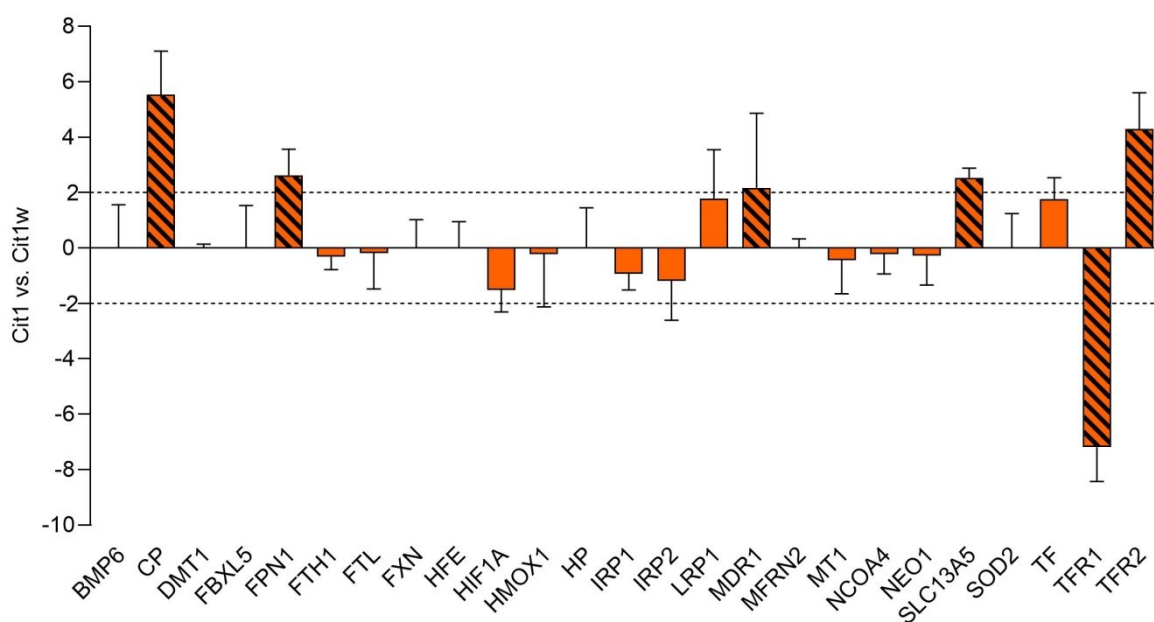


#### Supplementary Figure S4

#### Comparison of gene expression in Cit1 cells versus short-term iron treatment of parental HepG2 cells.

Gene expression of Cit1 cells was compared to parental HepG2 cells that were treated with iron citrate for 24 h. The difference of fold change expression in Cit1 cells relative to untreated HepG2 cells is depicted. Dotted line indicates threshold of a fold  $\pm 2$ . Genes above threshold are highlighted (stippled). Mean/SE are given (n=3-6).





### Supplementary Figure S5

#### Comparison of gene expression in Cit1 cells versus weaned Cit1w cells.

Gene expression of Cit1 cells was compared to weaned Cit1w cells. Note that Cit1 cells were permanently cultivated in 10 mM iron citrate whereas Cit1w cells were weaned for several days. The difference of fold change expression in Cit1 cells relative to untreated Cit1w cells is depicted. Dotted line indicates threshold of a fold  $\pm 2$ . Genes above threshold are highlighted (stippled). Mean/SE are given (n=3-6).