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Corrigendum: Adeno-Associated Virus-Mediated Gain-of-Function mPCSK9 Expression in the Mouse Induces Hypercholesterolemia, Monocytosis, Neutrophilia, and a Hypercoagulative State

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In the original article, there was a mistake in Figure 1H as published. The graph incorrectly depicting higher serum HDL-cholesterol levels in control AAV mice on standard diet compared to the rest of the experimental groups. The corrected Figure 1H appears below. It depicts higher serum HDL-cholesterol levels in the mPCSK9-AAV mice on HFD compared to the rest of our experimental groups.

A correction has been made to **Results, Elevated PCSK9 plasma levels and hypercholesterolemia induced by mPCSK9-AAV expression and intake of Western-type HFD, paragraph 2**:

"Furthermore, mPCSK9-AAV injected mice on the HFD had elevated total, HDL-cholesterol and non-HDL cholesterol serum levels (**Figures 1F–H**)."

Furthermore, a correction has been made to the **Discussion, paragraph 3:**

"Concomitantly, the non-HDL-cholesterol and HDL-cholesterol concentrations were significantly higher in mPCSK9-AAV mice on HFD compared to control AAV mice on standard diet (**Figures 1G,H**)."

The authors apologize for this error and state that this does not change the scientific conclusions of the article in any way. The original article has been updated.

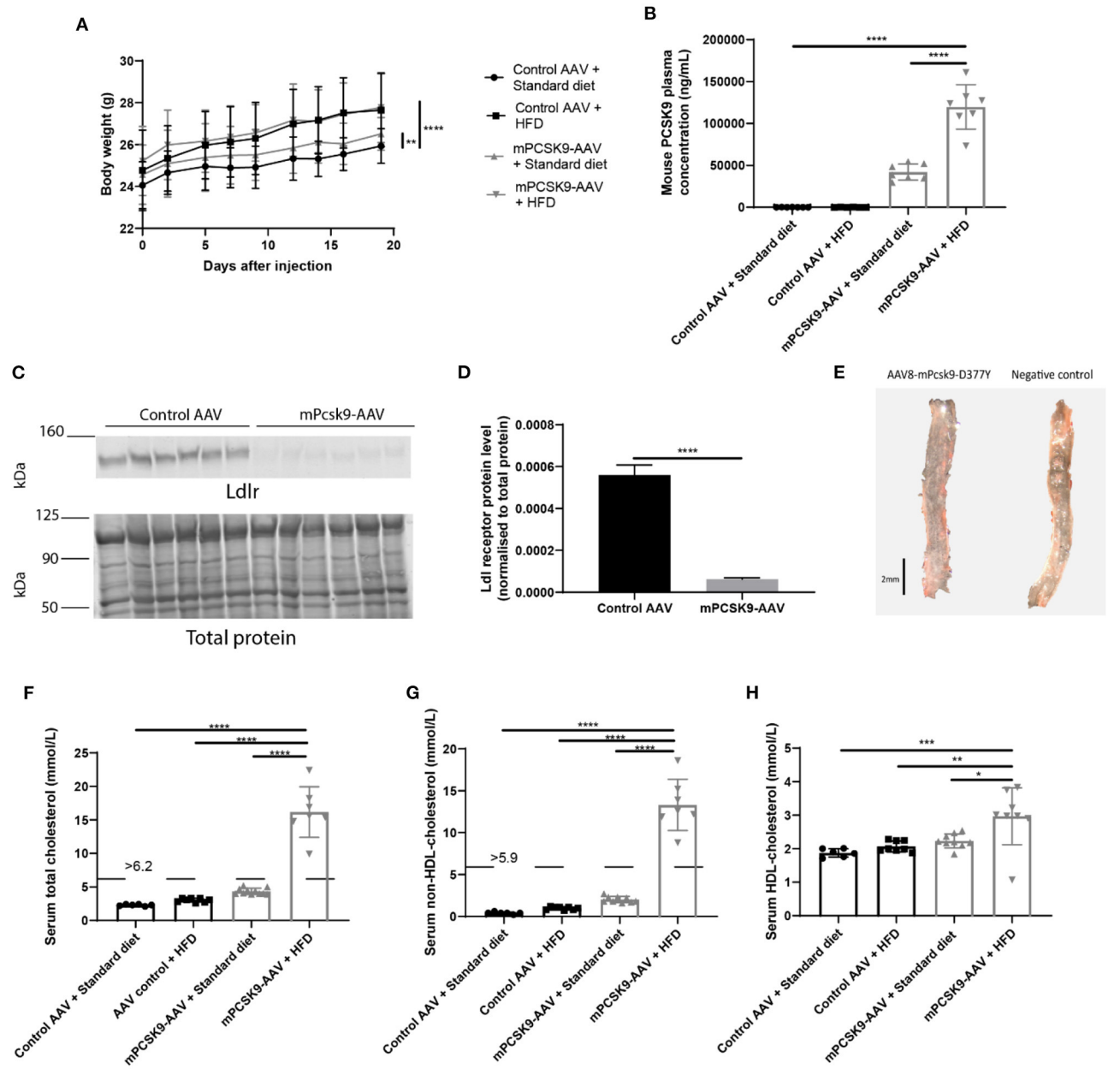

FIGURE 1 | Verification of the mPCSK9-AAV mouse model of hypercholesterolemia. **(A)** Body weights of the four experimental groups: Control AAV + Standard diet (black circles, $n = 12$), Control AAV + HFD (black squares, $n = 10$), mPCSK9-AAV + Standard diet (gray upward triangles, $n = 11$), and mPCSK9-AAV + HFD (gray downward triangles, $n = 10$). Mean ± SD; repeated-measures ANOVA with Holm–Sidak *post-hoc* test; $^{**}p \leq 0.01$, $^{****}p \leq 0.0001$. **(B)** Mouse PCSK9 plasma concentration in Control AAV + Standard diet (circles, $n = 7$), Control AAV + HFD (squares, $n = 6$), mPCSK9-AAV + Standard diet (upward triangles, $n = 7$), and mPCSK9-AAV + HFD (downward triangles, $n = 7$) groups. Data are the mean of three independent replicates. Mean ± SD; two-way ANOVA with Tukey's *post-hoc* test; $^{****}p \leq 0.0001$. **(C,D)** Hepatic Ldl receptor (Ldlr) levels in control-injected ($n = 6$) and mPCSK9-AAV-injected mice ($n = 6$) on standard diet normalized to total protein. Data are the mean of three independent replicates. Two gels were loaded per replicate. Mean ± SD; unpaired *t*-test; $^{****}p \leq 0.0001$. **(E)** Representative images of Oil-red O-stained thoracic aortae of mPCSK9-AAV and control AAV mice on HFD. Mice did not develop atherosclerotic lesions in the selected time frame. Scale bar, 2 mm. **(F–H)** Serum total cholesterol **(F)**, non-HDL cholesterol **(G)**, and HDL cholesterol **(H)** in the different groups: Control AAV + Standard diet ($n = 6$), Control AAV + HFD ($n \geq 8$), mPCSK9-AAV + Standard diet ($n \geq 9$), and mPCSK9-AAV + HFD ($n \geq 7$). Mean ± SD; two-way ANOVA with Tukey's *post-hoc* test; $^{*}p \leq 0.05$, $^{**}p \leq 0.01$, $^{***}p \leq 0.001$, $^{****}p \leq 0.0001$. AAV, adeno-associated virus; HFD, high-fat diet; HDL, high-density lipoprotein.