

Fig. S7. ESM and ES proteomics data. (a) Volcano plot of differentially expressed proteins (DEPs) between ESM and ES. The plots revealed that the ESM treatment group had 158 significant changes in protein expression levels, of which 33 were downregulated and 125 were upregulated; (b) clustering heatmap of DEPs revealed that the expression levels of three histones—ES, Control, and ESM—dispersed significantly; (c) GO enrichment analysis of DEPs revealed that the ESM treatment group significantly outperformed the ES treatment group in biological processes (BP) with respect to iron carrier biosynthesis, carboxylic acid metabolism, and cellular amino acid metabolism; in molecular function (MF), there was a

noteworthy enrichment of iron sulfur cluster binding and iron carrier transmembrane transport protein activity; and (d) KEGG enrichment analysis of DEPs. The **ESM** treatment group significantly enriched process, such as cellular amino acid metabolism, iron carrier biosynthesis, carboxylic acid metabolism, in BPs compared with those of the **ES** treatment group. A significant enrichment of iron sulfur cluster binding and iron carrier transmembrane transport protein activity was observed in MF.

ES, esculetin; ESM, esculetin-manganese complex.