



**S1:** mtDNA common deletion (CD) RA (relative abundance) in SuN (sural nerve) of PWH (people with HIV) with and without Distal sensory polyneuropathy (DSP). Removal of an individual with a markedly higher level of mtDNA common deletion RA (approximately 100 times more) compared to other mtDNA common deletion RA levels from DSP- group resulted in significantly increased mtDNA common deletion in the SuN of DSP+ compared to DSP- decedents.