

**Table S1.** Formulation and proximate analysis of the experimental diets <sup>1</sup>.

Ingredients g/kg	Diets			
	Control	HFD	HFD-CDCA 300	HFD-CDCA 900
Fish meal	390	390	390	390
Soybean meal	200	200	200	200
Wheat meal	230	230	230	230
Wheat starch	60	60	60	60
Fish oil	60	120	120	120
Soybean lecithin	15	15	15	15
Vitamin premix <sup>2</sup>	20	20	20	20
Mineral premix <sup>3</sup>	20	20	20	20
Attractant <sup>4</sup>	3	3	3	3
Mold inhibitor <sup>5</sup>	1	1	1	1
CDCA			0.3	0.9
Proximate composition (% dry matter)				
Crude protein	45.2	45.5	45.1	45.4
Crude lipid	11.5	17.9	17.1	17.7

<sup>1</sup> CDCA, chenodeoxycholic acid; HFD, high-fat diet; HFD-CDCA300, high-fat diet supplemented with 300 mg/kg CDCA; HFD-CDCA 900, high-fat diet supplemented with 900 mg/kg CDCA.

<sup>2</sup>Vitamin premix (mg or g/kg diet): cholecalciferol, 5 mg; retinol acetate, 32 mg; thiamin 25 mg; cyanocobalamin, 10 mg; riboflavin, 45 mg; pyridoxine HCl, 20 mg; ascorbic acid, 2000 mg; alpha-tocopherol (50%), 240 mg; menadione, 10 mg; pantothenic acid, 60 mg; inositol, 800 mg; niacin acid, 200 mg; folic acid, 20 mg; biotin (2%), 60 mg; choline chloride (50%), 4000 mg; microcrystalline cellulose, 12.47 g. <sup>3</sup>Mineral premix (mg or g/kg diet): CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O, 10 mg; Ca (IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (1%), 60 mg; CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (1%), 50 mg; FeSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, 80 mg; MgSO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O, 1200 mg; MnSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, 45 mg; NaSeSO<sub>3</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O (1%), 20 mg; ZnSO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, 50 mg; CaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, 10 g; Zeolite, 8.485 g. <sup>4</sup>Attractants: glycine and betaine <sup>5</sup>Mold inhibitor: contained 50% calcium propionic acid and 50% fumaric acid.

**Table S2.** Primers used for qPCR analysis <sup>1</sup>.

Genes	Forward Sequences (5'–3')	Reverse Sequences (5'–3')	Accession No.
<i>atgl</i>	CCATGCATCCGTCCTTCAACC	GAGATCCCTAACCGCCCACT	GQ372967.1
<i>apob100</i>	AGAGTGTTGTCCAGGATAAA GATGC	CAGGGCTCAGGGTCTCAGTC	XM_027284282.1
<i>atf4</i>	GCCGTTATTCTGCTCCATCTT CT	AGACCTTACCCTGAGCCCACAT	XM_019253810.2
<i>atf6</i>	CAGATAATAAGGAGGCTGAG AGTGC	CGTAGGTATGATGAGGTGCGTA GT	XM_010730227.3
<i>bsep</i>	TGATGGCGGCGGGTAGTTT	GCAGCAGTGTAGTTCCTCTTCC	XM_027291804.1
<i>cd36</i>	GAGCATGATGGAAAATGGTT CAAAG	GAGCATGATGGAAAATGGTTCA AAG	KM593122.1
<i>chop</i>	TCTGGATGTTCTGGAGAGTTG TTC	AGGATGATGATGAGGTGTGATG C	XM_010732112.3
<i>cpt1</i>	TGGGTGCTGGTGGCGGATTT	GGGCTGGAGAACTTGCTGGAGA	XM_019255573.2
<i>EIF2A</i>	ATGCCGGGGCTCAGCTGTC	CTAGTCCTCTGCTTTGGCCTCC	XM_019277014.2
<i>fas</i>	ACTCCTATGTGGCAGCATAGA C	GTTTCAGCCTCAGACTCTTTGCC	KP889061.1
<i>fxr</i>	TGGAGGAAAGGATACGCAAG AGTG	TGTCAGGATGGTTACGGTGGTG	XM_010737684

<i>gapdh</i>	GACAACGAGTTCGGATACAG C	CAGTTGATTGGCTTGTTTGG	XM_010743420.3
<i>grp78</i>	GGTGGCGATGACAAGCAAAC	CTGAGAACAGCAGCAACAAGC	XM_010738795.3
<i>lxra</i>	TCTCAAAAGGAATGAACGAC	TAAGGTTGCTGTAGCCTCTCA	XM_019273432.2
<i>ldlr</i>	ACATAAGCGCCGGTGCTGTT	TACGATGTCCTCTGGCTGATTC	KM593127.1
<i>mtp</i>	ATGTCCAAAATGTTCTCCATG TCTG	ATGTCAATAGCCAACCCTCCTTG	KP027412.1
<i>ppara</i>	GTCAAGCAGATCCACGAAGC C	TGGTCTTTCCAGTGAGTATGAGC C	XM_027291871.1
<i>scd1</i>	ACAAGCTCTCCGTGGTGGTCA T	GCCAGGTAGCGTTCAGCAACAT	KP202157.1
<i>shp</i>	GCGACGGACAGTGTGCTTGA A	ACTGGTCGTTTGGTGGCATCTG	KY745777.1
<i>srebp1</i>	CCAAGACAGAGGAGTGCGAG AC	TCATTTGCTGGCAGTCGTGGAG	KP342262.1
<i>xbp1s</i>	GTCTTCTGAGTCCGCAGCAGG TG	AGGATGTCCAGAATGCCCAGTA G	XM_019264508.2
<i>β-actin</i>	CTACGAGGGTTATGCCCTGCC	TGAAGGAGTAACCGCGCTCTG	GQ168793.1

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<sup>1</sup> *atgl*, adipose triglyceride lipase; *apob100*, Apolipoprotein B100; *atf4*, activating transcription factor 4; *atf6*, activating transcription factor 6; *bsep*, bile salt export pump; *chop*, C/EBP homologous protein; *cpt1*, carnitine palmitoyltransferase I; *eif2α*, eukaryotic initiation factor 2α; *fas*, fatty acid synthase; *fxr*, farnesoid X receptor; *gapdh*, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

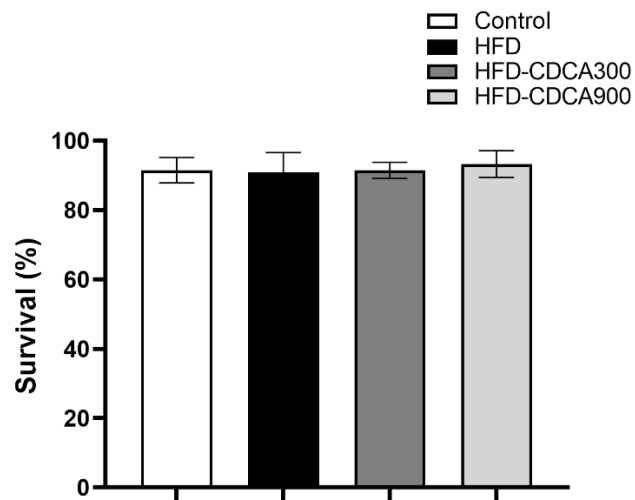
dehydrogenase; *grp78*, glucose-regulated protein 78; *lxra*, liver X receptor  $\alpha$ ; *ldlr*, low density lipoprotein receptor; *mtp*, microsomal triglyceride transfer protein; *ppara*, proliferator-activated receptor  $\alpha$ ; *scd1*, stearyl-CoA desaturase 1; *shp*, small heterodimer partner; *srebp1*, sterol regulatory element binding protein 1; *xbp1s*, X-box-binding protein 1.

**Table S3.** Primers used for plasmid construction <sup>1</sup>.

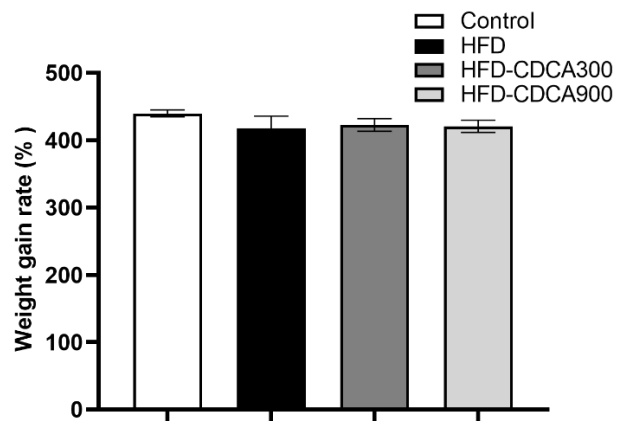
Primers	Forward Sequences (5'–3')	Reverse Sequences (5'–3')
pGL-SREBP1	GGGGTACCAGGTAAAGTATGGTTG CCAGGTAA	CCGCTCGAGCTTTACTCCTGTGTGCGG
pGL-PPAR $\alpha$	CCCTCGAGGGCAGCAGCAGCAATC GTCATCGT	CCAAGCTTTGTCTGTCAGCGGAGTCAGGTGT TCT
pGL-ATGL	GGGGTACCGCCTCTGCTCTGCTTAC TTCCTTGTG	CCGCTCGAGCGAAGGAGATGTTCCACGGCG AGTCT

<sup>1</sup> sterol regulatory element binding protein 1; PPAR $\alpha$ , proliferator-activated receptor  $\alpha$ ; ATGL, adipose triglyceride lipase.

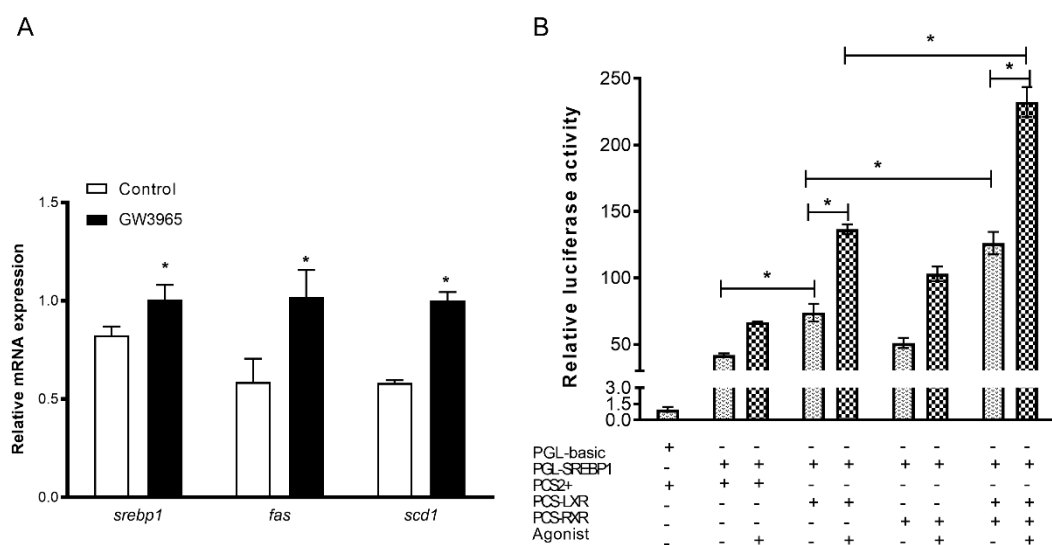
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**Figure S1.** Effects of HFD and supplementation of CDCA on the survival (**A**) and weight gain rate (**B**) of large yellow croakers. Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SEMs ( $n = 3$ ) and were analyzed using Duncan's multiple range test. Labeled means without a common letter differ,  $p < 0.05$ .



**Figure S2.** Effects of LXR $\alpha$  on the expression of *srebp1* and other lipogenesis related genes. **(A)** Effects of GW3965 (LXR $\alpha$  agonist) treatment on expression of *srebp1*, *fas* and *scd1* in cells of large yellow croaker. **(B)** Effects of GW3965 and croaker LXR $\alpha$  overexpression on the promoter activity of SREBP1 in HEK 293T. Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SEMs ( $n = 3$ ) and were analyzed using Student's t-test, \*  $p < 0.05$ .