Supplementary Figure 1. $Ikk\beta$ was not deleted in aortic endothelial cells from $Ikk\beta^{F/F}/Tie2$ -Cre mice that survived to adults. A. Genomic DNA was prepared from $Ikk\beta^{F/F}/Tie2$ -Cre and $Ikk\beta^{F/F}$ aortic endothelial cells. Control DNA sample was prepared from $Ikk\beta^{F/F}/Tie2$ -Cre embryo. Normal PCR was performed to analyze the genotype. No knockout band was detected in $Ikk\beta^{F/F}/Tie2$ -Cre aortic endothelial cells. B. The level of IKK β was measured by Western blot. These results are representative of three individual experiments.

Supplementary Figure 2. Fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS) High speed FACS analysis of endothelial cells with PECAM-1-PE antibody from E12.5 embryos. Green curve shows the total cell population. P1 population (approximately 5% of the total cells) is the PECAM-1 positive portion that was sorted and collected.

Supplementary Figure 3. Unaltered proliferation in other organs at E13.5 in *Ikkβ*^{-/F}/Tie2-Cre embryos. BrdU incorporation in hearts, lungs and kidneys of *Ikkβ*^{-/F}/Tie2-

Cre embryos at E13.5 was normal compared to $Ikk\beta^{-/F}$ embryos. 40X, scale bar 50 μm. **Supplementary Figure 4. Apoptosis was less severe in Ikk\beta^{-/F}/Tie2-Cre livers at E12.5 than at E13.5.** Cleaved Caspase-3 (Asp175) antibody IHC staining of paraffinembedded sections at E12.5. 40X, scale bar 50 μm.

Supplementary Table 1. Lethality of $Ikk\beta^{F/F}/Tie2$ -Cre mice

Embryonic	Total	lkkβ ^{F/F} /Tie2-Cre	Expected <i>lkkβ^{F/F}/Tie2-Cre</i>
Day	embryos	embryos	embryos
E12.5	72	20	18
E13.5	68	11	17
E15.5	62	2	15.5
E17.5	79	2	19.75
P0	103	2	25.75

Footnote: Expected Mendelian ratio is 25%.

Viable: heartbeat can be detected at dissection.