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ABSTRACT

Skeletal myogenesis is essential to keep muscle mass and integrity, and impaired myogenesis is closely related to the etiology of muscle wasting. Recently, miR-141-3p has been shown to be induced under various conditions associated with muscle wasting, such as aging, oxidative stress, and mitochondrial dysfunction. However, the functional significance and mechanism of miR-141-3p in myogenic differentiation have not been explored to date. In this study, we investigated the roles of miR-141-3p on CFL2 expression, proliferation, and myogenic differentiation in C2C12 myoblasts. MiR-141-3p appeared to target the 3'UTR of *CFL2* directly and suppressed the expression of CFL2, an essential factor for actin filament (F-actin) dynamics. Transfection of miR-141-3p mimic in myoblasts increased F-actin formation and augmented nuclear Yes-associated protein (YAP), a key component of mechanotransduction. Furthermore, miR-141-3p mimic increased myoblast proliferation and promoted cell cycle progression throughout the S and G2/M phases. Consequently, miR-141-3p mimic led to significant suppressions of myogenic factors expression, such as MyoD, MyoG, and MyHC, and hindered the myogenic differentiation of myoblasts. Thus, this study reveals the crucial role of miR-141-3p in myogenic differentiation via CFL2-YAP-mediated mechanotransduction and provides implications of miRNA-mediated myogenic regulation in skeletal muscle homeostasis.

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1. INTRODUCTION

31 Skeletal muscle is a dynamic and plastic tissue essential for proper locomotion and metabolic
32 functioning (1). Muscle wasting or atrophy is closely linked to various conditions associated with the
33 inhibition of myogenesis, such as senescence, ER stress, oxidative stress, and mitochondrial dysfunction
34 (2). Myogenesis is a well-coordinated complex process and underlies myofiber formation for muscle
35 development and regeneration (3). During myogenesis, satellite cells exit quiescence, rapidly proliferate
36 until they exit the cell cycle, and then after the activations of myogenic factors, differentiate into myotubes
37 (3). Over the past two decades, numerous studies have shown the implication of miRNAs in muscle
38 homeostasis and myogenesis (4). However, the mechanisms whereby specific miRNAs regulate myogenic
39 differentiation remain elucidated.

40 MicroRNAs (miRNAs) comprise endogenous short non-coding RNAs that suppress gene expressions
41 through binding to their 3'UTRs of target mRNAs (5). Accumulating evidence has suggested that miRNAs
42 are critical modulators of skeletal muscle proliferation, differentiation, and regeneration (6). MiR-141-3p,
43 a member of miR-200 family, is proposed as an oncogenic miRNA because it facilitates tumorigenesis,
44 metastasis, and resistance to chemotherapy by promoting cell proliferation, growth, and survival (7, 8).
45 Interestingly, miR-141-3p is upregulated during various conditions related to muscle wasting, including ER
46 stress, oxidative stress, and mitochondrial dysfunction (9-11). Moreover, miRNA-141-3p expression was

47 also increased in various cells during cellular senescence, which is associated with sarcopenia (9, 12, 13).
48 In this respect, miR-141-3p may be implicated in myogenesis and muscle homeostasis by regulating cell
49 proliferation and growth. However, the significance of miR-141-3p in myogenic progenitor cells have not
50 been explored.

51 Based on the results of *in silico* miR-target prediction analysis, Cofilin 2 (CFL2) is suggested as a
52 tentative target of miR-141-3p. CFL2 is a skeletal muscle-specific actin-depolymerizing factor protein,
53 which promotes the disassembly of filamentous actin (F-actin) (14). Many studies suggest that CFL2 is
54 essential for the maintenance of skeletal muscle architecture through regulating actin cytoskeleton
55 rearrangement (14). CFL2 knockout caused lethality in mice within seven days of birth due to skeletal
56 muscle weakness, sarcomere structure disruption, and F-actin accumulations (15). Furthermore, CFL2
57 knockout developed degenerative myopathy with thin muscle fiber, protein aggregates, and abnormal
58 mitochondria (16). We recently revealed that the knockdown of CFL2 promoted cell proliferation and
59 inhibited myoblast differentiation (17). Other investigations have suggested that CFL-mediated actin
60 cytoskeleton rearrangement regulates myoblast proliferation and differentiation (18, 19). Although prior
61 research has shown the indispensable roles of CFL2 in myogenesis, little is known about the miRNAs that
62 regulate CFL2 and their significance in myogenic differentiation.

63 Here, we demonstrated the critical role of miR-141-3p on CFL2 expression and myogenic
64 differentiation. Interestingly, miR-141-3p hindered CFL2 expression by targeting *CFL2* 3'UTR directly.
65 Moreover, we showed how miR-141-3p modulated myoblast proliferation, myogenic factor expression,
66 and differentiation in conjunction with mechanotransduction. Thus, our study suggests that miR-141-3p
67 plays an important part in myogenesis via the CFL2/F-actin/YAP axis and provided implications of
68 miRNA-mediated actin dynamics as a myogenic regulatory mechanism.

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2. RESULTS

2.1. MiR-141-3p targeted *CFL2*.

71 We hypothesized that miR-141-3p might inhibit myoblast differentiation by suppressing *CFL2*.

72 Therefore, we first investigated whether miR-141-3p suppresses *CFL2* expression in myoblasts. According

73 to miRWalk and TargetScan analysis, *CFL2* is a putative target of miR-141-3p due to a miR-141-3p binding

74 site on the *CFL2* 3'UTR (Fig. 1A). To determine the binding between miR-141-3p and *CFL2* 3'UTR, the

75 *CFL2* 3'UTR segment containing a tentative binding site for miR-141-3p (wild-type; *CFL2-wt*) or mutated

76 sequences (*CFL2-mut*) were constructed (Fig. 1B) and then cloned into the pmirGLO vector. As shown in

77 Fig. 1C, co-transfection with miR-141-3p mimic and wild-type (*CFL2-wt*) decreased luciferase activity as

78 compared with scRNA. In contrast, mutations in a tentative binding site (*CFL2-mut*) entirely abrogated the

79 suppressive effect of miR-141-3p in *CFL2-wt*, confirming direct binding of miR-141-3p to *CFL2* 3'UTR.

80 Next, this study examined whether miR-141-3p suppresses *CFL2* expression in myoblasts. The cells

81 transfected with miR-141-3p mimic exhibited a reduction of *CFL2* protein expression (Fig. 1D). Moreover,

82 the transcription of *CFL2* was also suppressed slightly but significantly by miR-141-3p mimic (Fig. 1E).

83 These results indicate that miR-141-3p regulates *CFL2* expression by directly targeting *CFL2* 3'UTR.

84 2.2. MiR-141-3p augmented F-actin and nuclear YAP.

85 Since we previously reported that CFL2 knockdown in myoblasts caused a marked accumulation of
86 F-actin (17), we next determined whether miR-141-3p could modulate the reorganization of F-actin.
87 Although transfection with CFL2 siRNAs, namely siCFL2(1) and siCFL2(2), reduced CFL2 protein levels
88 by ~55% (Fig. 2A), we found that siCFL2(2) had a slight cytotoxic effect at a dose of 200 nM. Therefore,
89 we used siCFL2(1) for the subsequent experiments. Transfection with miR-141-3p mimic in myoblasts
90 markedly increased miR-141-3p level (>200-fold, data not shown). Remarkably, miR-141-3p or siCFL2
91 caused F-actin accumulation (Fig. 2B). Given that the total amount of actin remained constant during the
92 differentiation period in all groups, these F-actin increases appeared to be the consequence of impaired F-
93 actin depolymerization. Thus, it indicated that miR-141-3p restricts actin dynamics and augments F-actin
94 by suppressing CFL2 in myoblasts. F-actin has been shown to stimulate the nuclear translocation of
95 transcriptional coactivator YAP, which modulates mechanotransduction in the Hippo signaling pathway
96 and activates proliferative transcriptional programs (20). To investigate the function of miR-141-3p on YAP
97 expression and translocation, we next determined the phosphorylation and localization of YAP.
98 Transfection of miR-141-3p mimic dramatically reduced the phosphorylation of YAP in the cytoplasm and
99 subsequently allowed YAP to translocate into the nucleus (Figs. 2C and D). Thus, it appeared that the effect
100 of miR-141-3p on the cytoplasmic/nuclear redistribution of YAP was mainly ascribed to CFL2 suppression.

101 **2.3. MiR-141-3p promoted myoblast proliferation.**

102 Since CFL2 deficiency was previously shown to hinder myogenic differentiation by promoting cell
103 proliferation (17), the effect of miR-141-3p on proliferation and cell cycle was examined in myoblasts. EdU
104 incorporation analysis showed that siCFL2 significantly increased the proportion of EdU-positive
105 myoblasts (Figs. 3A and B), which demonstrated CFL2 depletion promoted myoblast proliferation. As
106 expected, miR-141-3p mimic also drastically increased EdU-positive myoblasts, while co-transfection with
107 anti-miR-141 rescued EdU incorporation similar to those observed after scRNA transfection (Figs. 3A and
108 B), suggesting that miR-141-3p could promote myoblast proliferation. Next, we analyzed the transcriptions
109 of PCNA and CCND1, which are YAP target genes associated with cell cycle progression and cell
110 proliferation. According to *q*RT-PCR, the transcript levels of PCNA and CCND1 in myoblasts were
111 induced significantly by miR-141-3p mimic (Fig. 3C). Furthermore, we determined the effect of miR-141-
112 3p on cell cycle phases based on flow cytometry. The transfection of miR-141-3p mimic decreased the
113 number of G0/G1-phase cells but increased the number of S- and G2/M-phase cells (Fig. 3D). Thus, an
114 increase of miR-141-3p in myoblasts was found to promote cell proliferation and cell cycle progression.

115 **2.4. MiR-141-3p inhibited myogenic factors expressions.**

116 To investigate whether miR-141-3p modulates myogenic factors expression in myoblasts, C2C12
117 cells were differentiated for three days after transfection with scRNA, siCFL2, miR-141-3p mimic, or
118 anti-miR-141-3p, and then the protein expressions of myogenic factors were analyzed (Figs. 4 and B).

119 Transfection of siCFL2 suppressed CFL2 expression by about 55% versus scRNA and drastically reduced
120 the protein expression of myogenic factors, such as MyoD and MyoG. Similarly, miR-141-3p mimic
121 transfection inhibited the protein expression of CFL2 markedly and reduced myogenic factors' levels
122 compared with scRNA controls. Furthermore, the co-transfection of miR-141-3p and anti-miR-141 rescued
123 myogenic factor levels similar to scRNA transfection (Figs. 4A and B). The ineffectiveness of anti-miR-141
124 alone may be ascribed to the low level of endogenous miR-141-3p and the abundance of CFL2 in C2C12
125 myoblasts. Because CFL2 knockdown inhibits myogenic differentiation and there are no putative miR-141-
126 3p seed binding sequences on the 3'UTRs of MyoD, MyoG, and MyHC, the suppression of these factors
127 by miR-141-3p mimic is attributed to CFL2 reduction. Thus, it is suggested that miR-141-3p plays a critical
128 role in the regulation of myogenic factors in myoblasts.

129 **2.5. MiR-141-3p hindered myoblast differentiation.**

130 Since miR-141-3p suppressed myogenic factors expression, we examined the effect of miR-141-3p
131 on myoblast differentiation. C2C12 myoblasts were differentiated for five days after transfection with
132 scRNA, siCFL2, miR-141-3p mimic, or anti-miR-141-3p. The differentiation of myoblasts was determined
133 quantitatively by immunocytochemistry, as shown in Figs. 4C and D. The knockdown of CFL2 dramatically
134 inhibited myotube formation. In addition, the percentage area of MyHC-positive cells, differentiation
135 indices, fusion indices, and myotube widths indicated that CFL2 downregulation resulted in impaired

136 myogenic differentiation (Figs. 4C and D). Similarly, transfection of miR-141-3p mimic inhibited myoblast
137 differentiation as assessed by cytochemistry. Furthermore, co-transfection with antimiR-141-3p completely
138 abolished the inhibitions of myogenic differentiation and myotube formation mediated by miR-141-3p
139 mimic (Figs. 4C and D). Collectively, these results suggest that miR-141-3p hinders myogenic factors
140 expression and differentiation.

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3. DISCUSSION

142 MiRNAs have been implicated in myogenesis and muscle homeostasis by variously regulating
143 proliferation, the cell cycle, and differentiation (6). In this study, we unveiled the crucial roles of miR-141-
144 3p on CFL2 expression, myoblast proliferation, and differentiation. The following highlights the key
145 contributions of our study; (i) MiR-141-3p suppressed CFL2 expression by directly targeting the *CFL2*
146 3'UTR. (ii) Transfection with miR-141-3p mimic augmented F-actin and increased nuclear YAP in
147 myoblasts. (iii) MiR-141-3p mimic increased proliferation and promoted cell cycle progression of
148 myoblasts. (iv) MiR-141-3p mimic markedly suppressed the levels of myogenic factors and hindered
149 differentiation of myoblasts.

150 Hsa-miR-141-3p belongs to the miR-200 family consists of five miRNAs viz miR-141, 200a, 200b,
151 200c, and 429 in vertebrates (8). Although the biological importance of miR-141-3p in myogenesis has
152 never been explored, it has been found to be induced in a range of muscle wasting disorders, including
153 oxidative stress (10), mitochondrial dysfunction (11), and senescence (9, 12, 13). Hence, we hypothesize
154 that dysregulation of miR-141-3p contributes substantially to impaired myogenesis and muscle wasting.
155 Notably, we found miR-141-3p mimic stimulated myoblast proliferation in myoblasts and subsequently
156 suppressed myogenic differentiation (Figs. 3 and 4). Proliferation and differentiation of myoblasts have
157 long been established to be inversely associated during myogenesis, and thus, arrest in proliferation is a

158 prerequisite of myogenic differentiation (3). In this aspect, the promotion of proliferation by miR-141-3p
159 is intimately connected to the impaired myogenic differentiation in myoblasts. Recent research on various
160 cancers has supported the roles of miR-141-3p on the cell cycle, apoptosis, and proliferation. MiR-141-3p
161 was upregulated in various malignancies, such as colon, lung, prostate, and cervical cancers (7). In addition,
162 overexpression of miR-141-3p caused cell proliferation, while knockdown of miR-141-3p suppressed the
163 proliferation of various cells (21-24). This study showed that miR-141-3p stimulated the gene expression
164 of PCNA and CCND1, which are target genes of YAP and related to cell cycle progression. This result is
165 in line with previous reports that miR-141-3p elevated PCNA in the intestine of mice (25) and CCND1 in
166 nasopharyngeal carcinoma (26). Therefore, the role played by miR-141-3p on myoblast differentiation may
167 be primarily ascribed to increased proliferation and cell cycle progression in myoblasts.

168 Then what is the underlying molecular mechanism whereby miR-141-3p promotes myoblast
169 proliferation? It should be highlighted that miR-141-3p mimic transfection directly suppressed CFL2
170 expression and increased F-actin in myoblasts (Fig. 2). CFL2 regulates actin remodeling by cleaving F-
171 actin and thus, plays an essential role in cytoskeleton dynamics (19). Interestingly, actin dynamics is
172 suggested as a key regulator of YAP activation in the Hippo signaling pathway (27). Previously, F-actin
173 was reported to inhibit YAP/TAZ phosphorylation, which increases YAP activation and cell proliferation
174 as a mechanotransduction mechanism (20). Furthermore, F-actin depolymerizing proteins, including CFL

175 and Gelsolin, inactivates the Hippo signaling by increasing YAP and TAZ phosphorylations [16]. Thus,
176 CFL-mediated actin remodeling is closely linked to the mechanotransduction-induced nuclear translocation
177 of YAP and cell proliferation (18, 19). Our previous study showed that CFL2 knockdown augmented F-
178 actin formation, enhanced cell cycle progression, and stimulated myoblast proliferation (17). Similarly,
179 Torrini *et al.* demonstrated that depletion of CFL2 in cardiomyocytes augmented F-actin and nuclear YAP
180 (28). In addition, treatment with cytochalasin D, an inhibitor of actin polymerization, prevented the nuclear
181 translocation of YAP, while treatment with jasplakinolide, an actin polymerizer, increased nuclear
182 translocation of YAP (28).

183 In summary, our study demonstrates that miR-141-3p regulates myogenic differentiation by inhibiting
184 CFL2 expression. We also show that CFL2-YAP-mediated mechanotransduction is a critical component of
185 the myogenic regulation mechanism orchestrated by miR-141-3p. Thus, miR-141-3p may be a critical
186 mediator between mechanotransduction and myogenic differentiation, allowing for the development of an
187 effective target for the diagnosis and therapy in muscle wasting.

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4. MATERIALS AND METHODS

193 **4.1. Cell culture**

194 C2C12 cells, a murine myoblast cell line, were cultured in a growth medium (DMEM containing 10% fetal
195 bovine serum and 1% penicillin/streptomycin) and induced myogenic differentiation as previously
196 described (17). Unless otherwise stated, all reagents and materials were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich.

197 **4.2. Cell transfection**

198 CFL2 siRNA (siCFL2), miR-141-3p mimic, anti-miR-141 (an inhibitor of miR-141-3p), or scrambled
199 control RNA (scRNA) (Genolution, Seoul, Korea) were transfected into C2C12 myoblasts at 200 nM using
200 Lipofectamine 2000 (Invitrogen). Oligonucleotide sequences are shown in Table S1.

201 **4.3. RNA extraction and Real-Time quantitative PCR**

202 Total RNA from C2C12 cells was extracted using Qiazol (Qiagen) and purified with a miRNeasy Mini Kit
203 (Qiagen). cDNAs were synthesized using a miScript II RT Kit (Qiagen). SYBR Green I (Promega) was
204 used for *q*RT-PCR in a LightCycler 480 (Roche Applied Science). All primer sequences and reaction
205 conditions are shown in Table S2.

206 **4.4. Dual-luciferase reporter assay**

207 Wild-type *CFL2* 3'UTR was synthesized by RT-PCR and inserted into the pmirGLO vector (Promega)
208 using the primer sets described in Table S2. Mutant *CFL2* 3'UTR was generated by site-directed

209 mutagenesis using the primer set described in Table S2. Dual-luciferase reporter gene assays were
210 performed 24 h after transfection, as described (29).

211 **4.5. Immunoblot analysis**

212 Total protein was extracted using a lysis buffer, which consisted of 2% Triton X-100 and 0.1% phosphatase
213 inhibitor cocktail (Sigma) in PBS, and lysates were dissolved in Laemmli solution (30). For subcellular
214 protein fractionations, the NE-PER nuclear and cytoplasmic extraction reagents (Sigma) were used.
215 Immunoblotting was conducted using specific antibodies described in Table S3. Band intensities were
216 determined by a Fusion Solo (Paris, France).

217 **4.6. Immunofluorescence analysis**

218 After differentiation, C2C12 myoblasts were fixed, permeabilized, and visualized with MyHC antibodies,
219 Alexa 488-conjugated goat anti-mouse antibody (Invitrogen), and Hoechst 33342 (Invitrogen), as described
220 previously (17). Differentiation indices were calculated by expressing numbers of nuclei in MyHC-positive
221 myotubes as percentages of total numbers of nuclei in fields, and fusion indices were calculated by
222 expressing numbers of myotubes with three or more nuclei as percentages of total numbers of nuclei.
223 MyHC-positive areas, numbers of myotubes, and myotube widths were measured using ImageJ Software.
224 All experiments were conducted at least three times using at least five randomly selected fields per
225 experiment.

226 **4.7. F-actin analysis, cell proliferation assays, and flow cytometry analysis**

227 For F-actin staining, cells were fixed, permeabilized, and incubated with FITC-conjugated phalloidin, as
228 described previously (17). Cell proliferation was determined using the Click-iT™ EdU Cell Proliferation
229 Kit (Invitrogen) according to the previous study (17). For flow cytometry analysis, Cell Cycle kit (C03551,
230 Beckman Coulter, USA) was used in a CytoFLEX (Beckman Coulter, USA).

231 **4.8. miRNA target gene predictions and statistical analysis**

232 The potential binding site of miR-141-3p on the *CFL2* 3'UTR was analyzed using publicly available
233 bioinformatics software (TargetScan: www.targetscan.org, miRWalk: mirwalk.umm.uni-heidelberg.de).
234 Results are presented as the means \pm standard errors of at least three independent experiments. Statistical
235 significance between groups was determined using the Student's *t*-test.

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238 government (Grant no. NRF-2019R1F1A1040858).

239 **6. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

240 The authors have no conflicting interests.

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7. FIGURE LEGENDS

243 **Fig. 1. MiR-141-3p repressed CFL2 by binding directly to CFL2 3' UTR.** (A) A potential binding site
244 for miR-141-3p on *CFL2* 3'UTR in various species. (B) The wild-type (*CFL2-wt*) and mutant (*CFL2-mut*)
245 binding site on *CFL2* 3'UTR for miR-141-3p. (C) A pmirGLO vector containing *CFL2-wt* or *CFL2-mut*
246 was co-transfected with scRNA or miR-141-3p mimic into C2C12 cells, and luciferase activities were
247 analyzed. (D) *CFL2* protein level was determined 48 h after transfection by immunoblotting. (E) *CFL2*
248 mRNA level was analyzed 24 h after transfection by RT-PCR (upper) and *q*RT-PCR (lower). All expression
249 levels were normalized to the amount of β -Actin. The values are shown as the relative ratio where the
250 intensity of normalized scRNA control was set to one. Results are presented as means \pm SEMs ($n > 3$). *,
251 $P < 0.05$; **, $P < 0.01$; ***, $P < 0.001$ vs scRNA.

252 **Fig. 2. MiR-141-3p increased F-actin formation and nuclear YAP levels.** C2C12 myoblasts were
253 transfected with 200 nM of scRNA, siRNA (siCFL2) or miR-141-3p mimic (miR-141-3p). (A) After 24 h,
254 *CFL2* protein expressions were determined by immunoblotting. (B) Representative images of cells stained
255 with FITC-conjugated phalloidin (green) and Hoechst 33342 (blue). Scale bar: 25 μ m. (C) Immunoblots of
256 YAP and phospho-YAP (pYAP) in the cytoplasm and nuclear fractions. (D) Quantitative analysis of
257 immunoblots. The values shown are relative ratios versus scRNA controls. Results are presented as means
258 \pm SEMs ($n > 3$). **, $P < 0.01$; ***, $P < 0.001$ vs scRNA.

259 **Fig. 3. MiR-141-3p promoted myoblast proliferation and cell cycle progression.** C2C12 myoblasts
260 were transfected with 200 nM of scRNA, miR-141-3p mimic (miR-141-3p), or antimiR-141. (A)
261 Representative images of EdU (green) and Hoechst 33342 (blue) staining. Scale bar: 50 μ m. (B)
262 Percentages of EdU-positive cells were determined using ImageJ software. (C) *q*RT-PCR of PCNA and
263 CCND1. Expression levels were normalized versus U6. (D) Flow cytometry after transfection with scRNA
264 or miR-141-3p mimic. Values are presented as relative ratios versus scRNA controls. Results are expressed
265 as means \pm SEMs (n > 3). *, P<0.05; **, P<0.01; ***, P<0.001 vs scRNA.

266 **Fig. 4. MiR-141-3p suppressed the expressions of myogenic factors and impaired myogenic**
267 **differentiation.** 200 nM of scRNA control, siCFL2, miR-141-3p mimic (miR-141-3p), or antimiR-141
268 were transfected into C2C12 cells. (A) Immunoblots were obtained after three days of differentiation. (B)
269 Quantitative analysis of the protein expressions for CFL2 and myogenic factors. Protein levels were
270 normalized versus β -actin. (C) After five days of differentiation, MyHC (green)-positive myotubes were
271 obtained by immunofluorescence staining, and nuclei were counterstained with Hoechst (blue). Scale bar:
272 50 μ m. (D), MyHC-positive areas, differentiation indices, fusion indices, and myotube widths were
273 determined as described in the Methods. Results are presented as means \pm SEMs (n > 3). ***, P<0.001 vs
274 scRNA.

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Figure 1

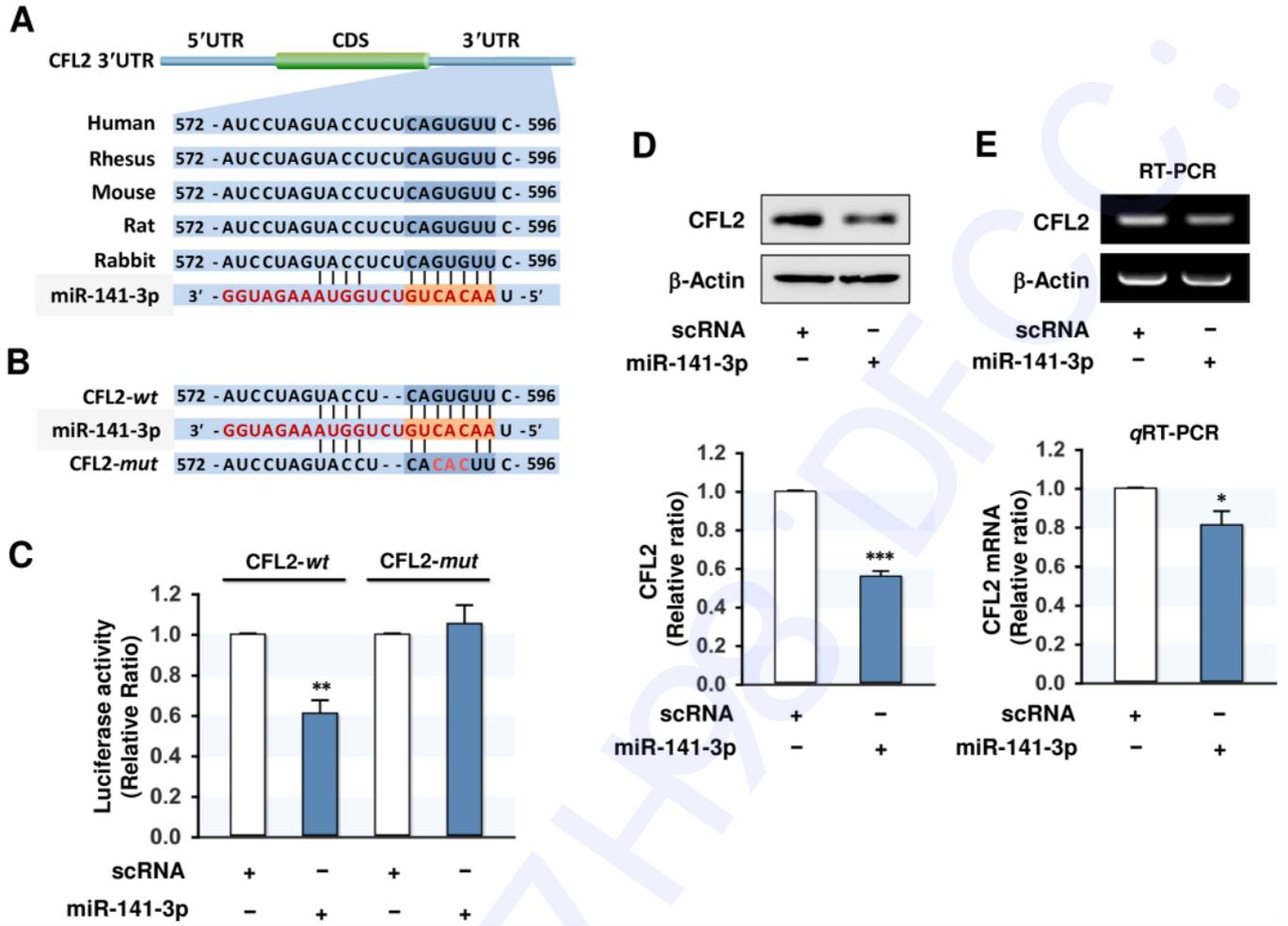


Fig. 1.

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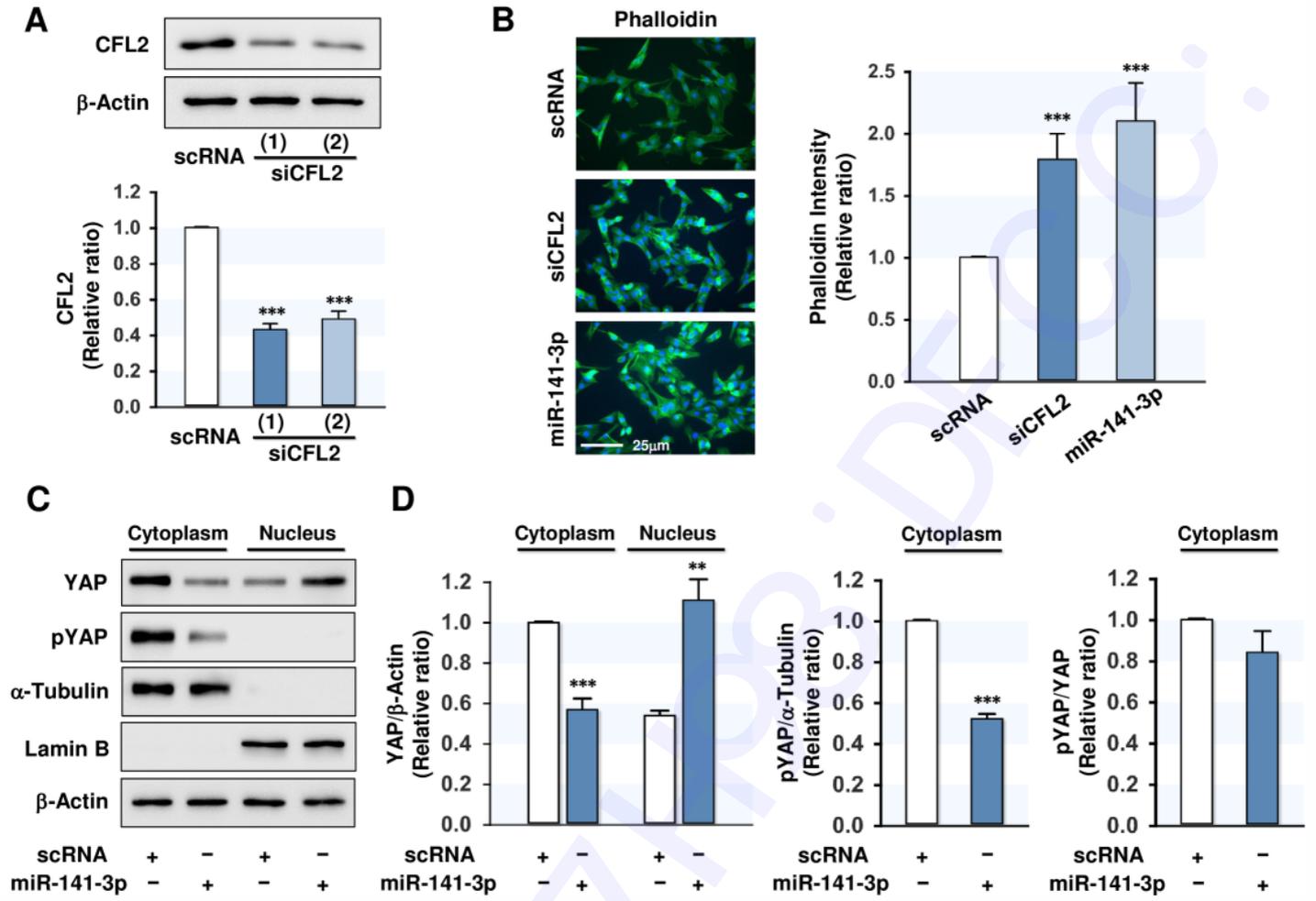


Fig. 2.

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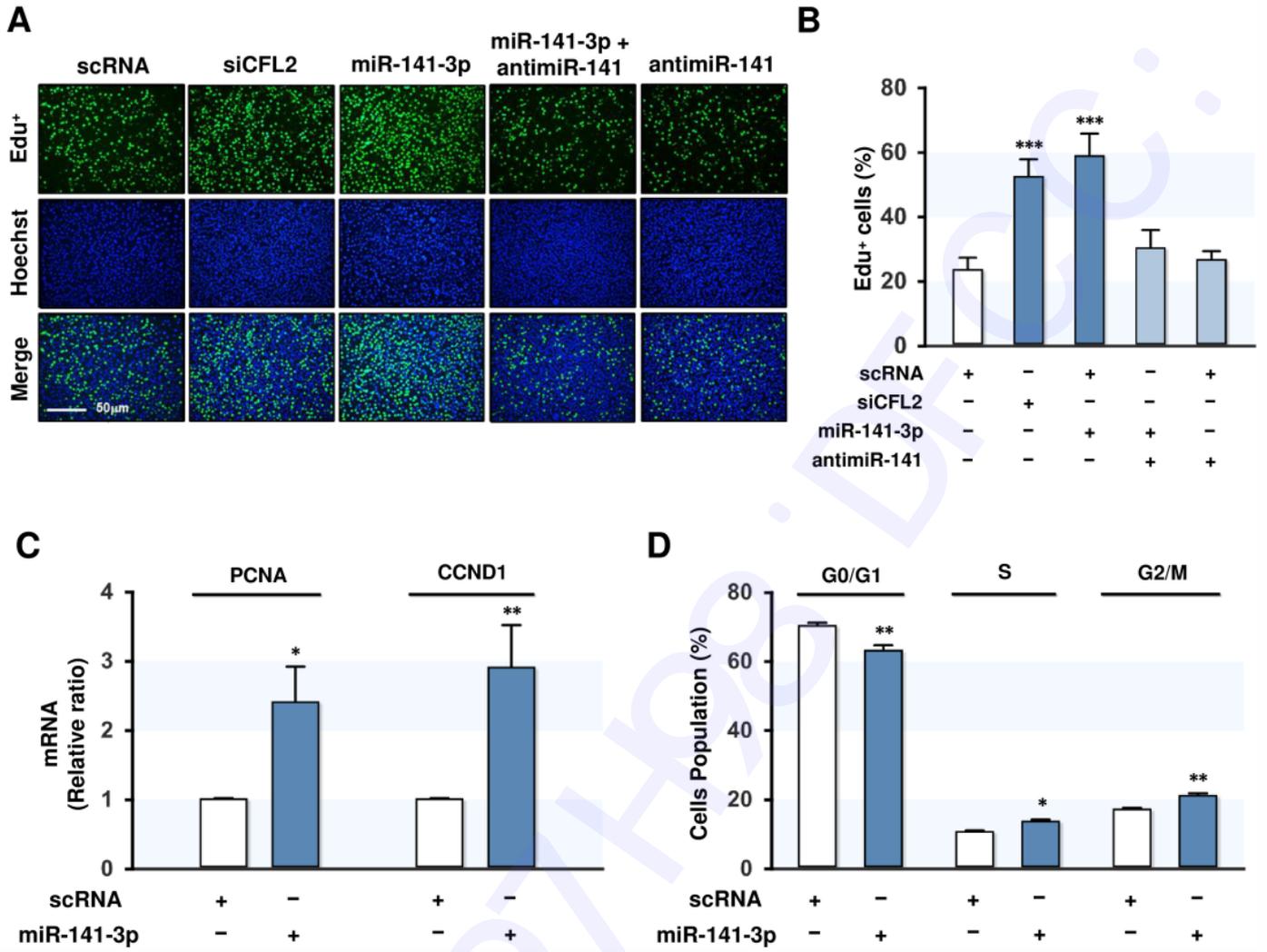


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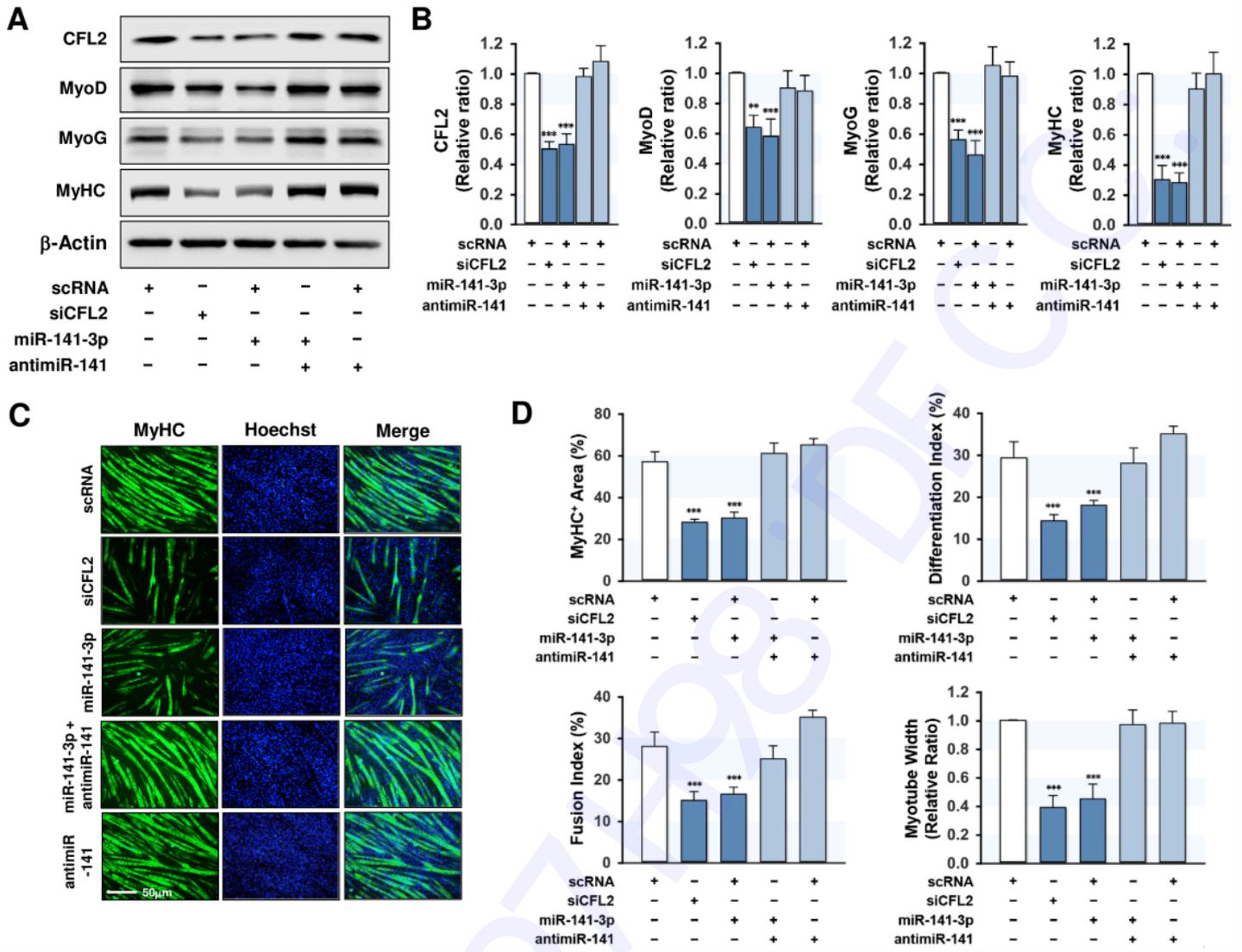


Fig. 4.

Table S1. Oligonucleotide sequences for transfection

Gene	Primer sequence (5'-3')
scRNA (control RNA)	UGGAAGACUAGUGAUUUUGUUGUU
siCFL2(1)	GCUCUAAAGAUGCCAUUAUU
siCFL2(2)	CUGAAAGUGCACCGUAAA
miR-141-3p	UAACACUGUCUGGUAAGAUGG
antimiR-141	Genolution

Table S2. Primer lists and PCR conditions for *q*RT-PCR, RT-PCR, and cloning(A) Mouse primer lists for *q*RT-PCR and RT-PCR

Gene	Primer sequence (5'-3')		Product size	Annealing Temperature	Concentration		Cycle
					cDNA	Primer	
miR-141-3p	F.P	TAACACTGTCTGGTAAAGATGG	90	55	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	40
	R.P	CCATCTTTACCAGACAGTGTTA					
miRNA universal Primer	R.P	miScript universal primer (Qiagen)					
U6	F.P	CTCGCTTCGGCAGCACA	94	58	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	40
	R.P	AACGCTTCACGAATTTGCGT					
CFL2	F.P	CCGACCCCTCCTTCTTCTCG	100	58	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	40
	R.P	GTAACTCCAGATGCCATAGTG					
CCND1	F.P	ACCAATCTCCTCAACGACCG	228	58	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	40
	R.P	ACGGAAGGGAAGAGAAGGG					
PCNA	F.P	GAACCTGCAGAGCATGGACTC	201	58	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	40
	R.P	GGTGTCTGCATTATCTTCAGCCC					

(B) Primer lists for cloning of *CFL2* 3'UTR

Gene	Primer sequence (5'-3')		Product size	Annealing Temperature	Concentration		Cycle
					cDNA	Primer	
<i>CFL2^{wt}</i>	F.P	GTATGTGATCGTCAATGTGAATAGC	436	58	2 ng/μl	0.5 μM	35
	R.P	TGCAGGACTCACATGGTAAACAA					
<i>CFL2^{mut}</i>	F.P	TCCTAGTACCTCACACTTCATTCC	141				
	R.P	TGCAGGACTCACATGGTAAACAA	319				
	F.P	GTATGTGATCGTCAATGTGAATAGC					
	R.P	GGAATGAAGTGTGAGGTACTAGGA					

Table S3. Antibodies list

Antibody	Type	Host	Manufacturer	Cat. No.	Dilution ratio*
CFL2	Polyclonal	Rabbit	Lifespan Biosciences, Seattle, WA, USA	LS-C409553	1:2,000
MyHC	Monoclonal	Mouse	DSHB, Iowa, IA, USA	MF20	1:1,000
MyoD	Monoclonal	Mouse	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX, USA	sc-377460	1:1,000
MyoG	Monoclonal	Mouse	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Dallas, TX, USA	sc-12732	1:1,000
YAP	Monoclonal	Rabbit	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA, USA	14074S	1:10,000
p-YAP	Polyclonal	Rabbit	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA, USA	4911S	1:10,000
Lamin B2	Monoclonal	Rabbit	Abcam, Cambridge, United Kingdom	ab151735	1:2,500
α-Tubulin	Monoclonal	Mouse	DSHB, Iowa, IA, USA	12G10	1:2,000
β-actin	Monoclonal	Rabbit	Sigma-Aldrich Chemical, St. Louis USA	A2066	1:10,000
Antibodies HRP-linked anti-rabbit IgG			Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA, USA	#7074	1:10,000
Goat anti-mouse(H+L)			Invitrogen, ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA USA	#32430	1:2,000

*All blots were visualized using a Femto reagent (ThermoFisher Scientific).