

**Supplement 2.** Time-dependent effects of cell viability using MIT assay. 2A. the cell viability of cardiac fibroblasts after treatment with MAPK inhibitors. The caridac fibroblasts were treated with a specific ERKI/2 inhibitor (pD98059), p38-MAPK inhibitor (SB203580) and JNK inhibitor (SP600125) in 30 umol/L for 4,8,12, 24, 48 and 72 hours. 2B. the cell viability of cardiac fibroblasts after transfected with siRNAs. The caridac fibroblasts were transfected with TRB3 siRNA, GAPDH siRNA in 30 umol/L for 4,8,12,24,48 hours. Data are means +SEM from at least three independent experiments. \*P < 0.05 and \*\*P < 0.01 compared with the control.