

Supplementary Information

Extracellular vesicles from apoptotic BMSCs ameliorate osteoporosis via transporting regenerative signals

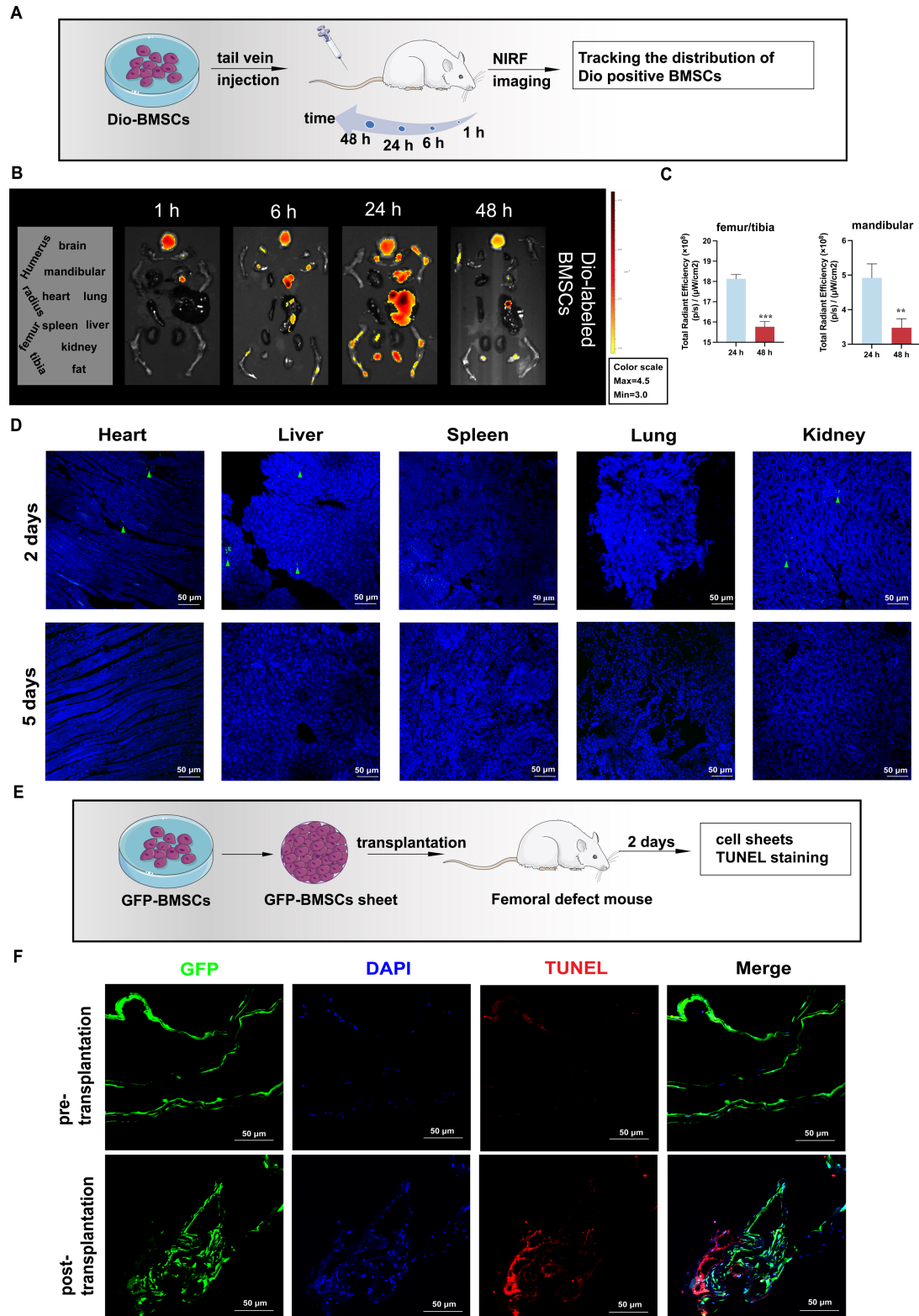


Figure S1. BMSCs undergo apoptosis post-transplantation. (A) Schematic diagram outlining the experimental design for tracking the fate of BMSCs post-transplantation. (B) Fluorescence images depicting major organs at 1 h, 6 h, 24 h, and 48 h after injection of Dio-labeled BMSCs. (C) Analysis Fluorescence intensity in femur/tibia and mandibula 24 h and 48 h after injection of Dio-labeled BMSCs. (D) Confocal assay of ZsGreen-BMSCs distribution in various organs (heart, liver, spleen, lung, kidney) after 2 and 5 days of tail vein injection of ZsGreen-BMSCs. Scale bar: 50 μm . (E) Schematic diagram illustrating the experimental design for detecting the apoptosis of GFP-BMSCs post-transplantation into femoral defect mice. (F) TUNEL staining showing GFP⁺ BMSCs undergo apoptosis. Scale bar: 50 μm . Data are means \pm SEMs. Statistical significance was determined by a two-tailed paired t-test in (C). **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001.

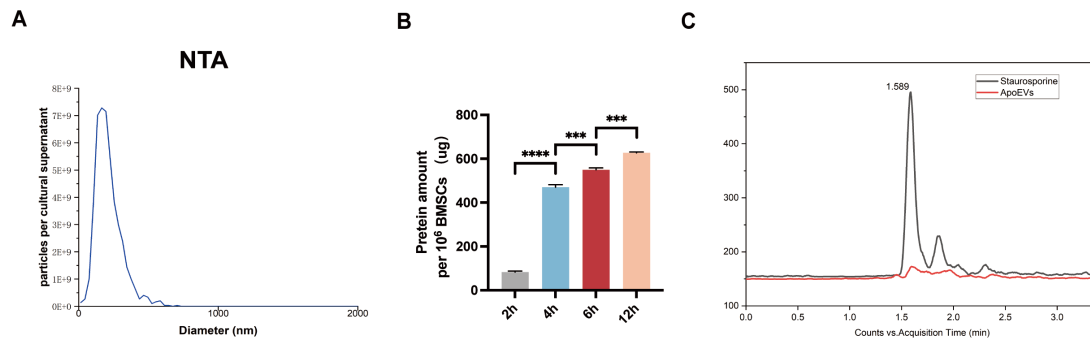


Figure S2. Identifying of ApoEVs. (A) NTA showed the diameter range and nanoparticles of ApoEVs. (B) BCA detects the protein amount of ApoEVs from 1×10^6 BMSCs after STS inducing apoptosis at different times. (C) HPLC-MS/MS showed no STS residue in the extracted ApoEVs compared to the positive control group containing only STS drugs. ***P < 0.001.

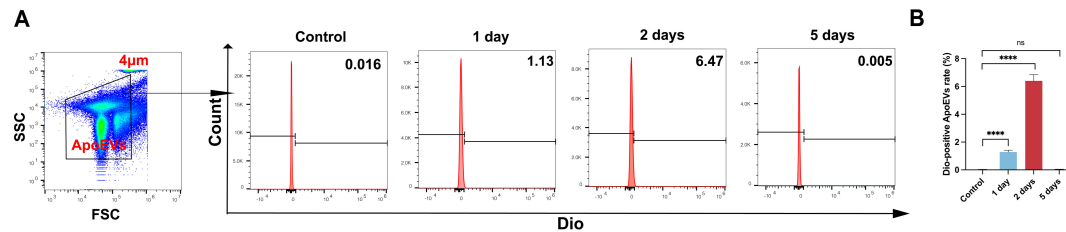


Figure S3. ApoEVs production at different times after tail vein injection of Dio-BMSCs. (A-B) The Dio-labeled ApoEVs were detected by FCM after Dio-BMSCs were injected at different times. Not significant (ns) = P > 0.05, ****P < 0.0001.

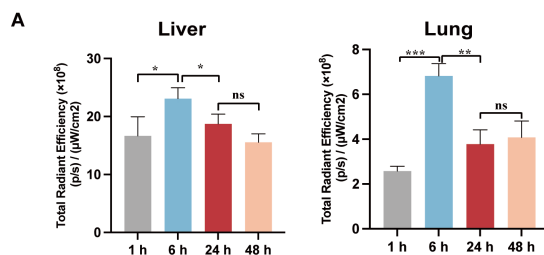


Figure S4. ApoEVs accumulate in liver and lung. (A) Fluorescence intensity analysis of the liver and lungs at 1 h, 6 h, 24 h, and 48 h after injection of Dio-labeled ApoEVs. Data are means \pm SEMs. Statistical significance was determined by a two-tailed paired t-test in (A). Not significant (ns) = P > 0.05, *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001.

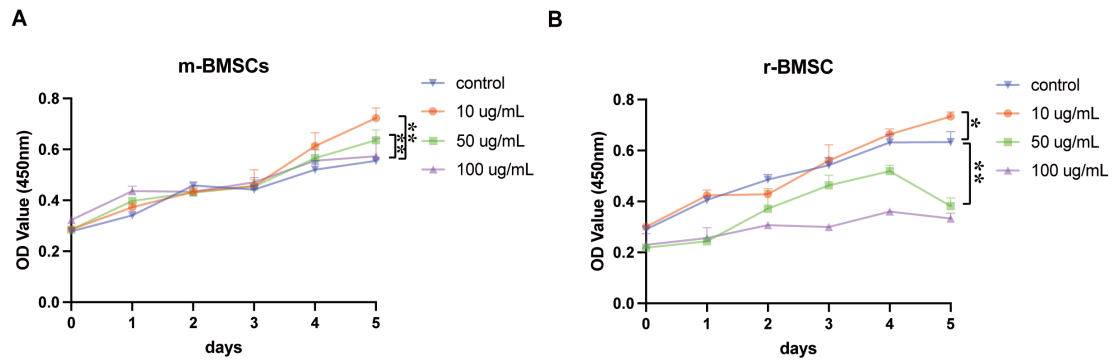


Figure S5. ApoEVs promoted the proliferation of BMSCs in low concentrations. (A) The effect of 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, 50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ and 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ApoEVs on the proliferation ability of m-BMSCs. (B) The effect of 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, 50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, and 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ApoEVs on the proliferation ability of r-BMSCs. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$.

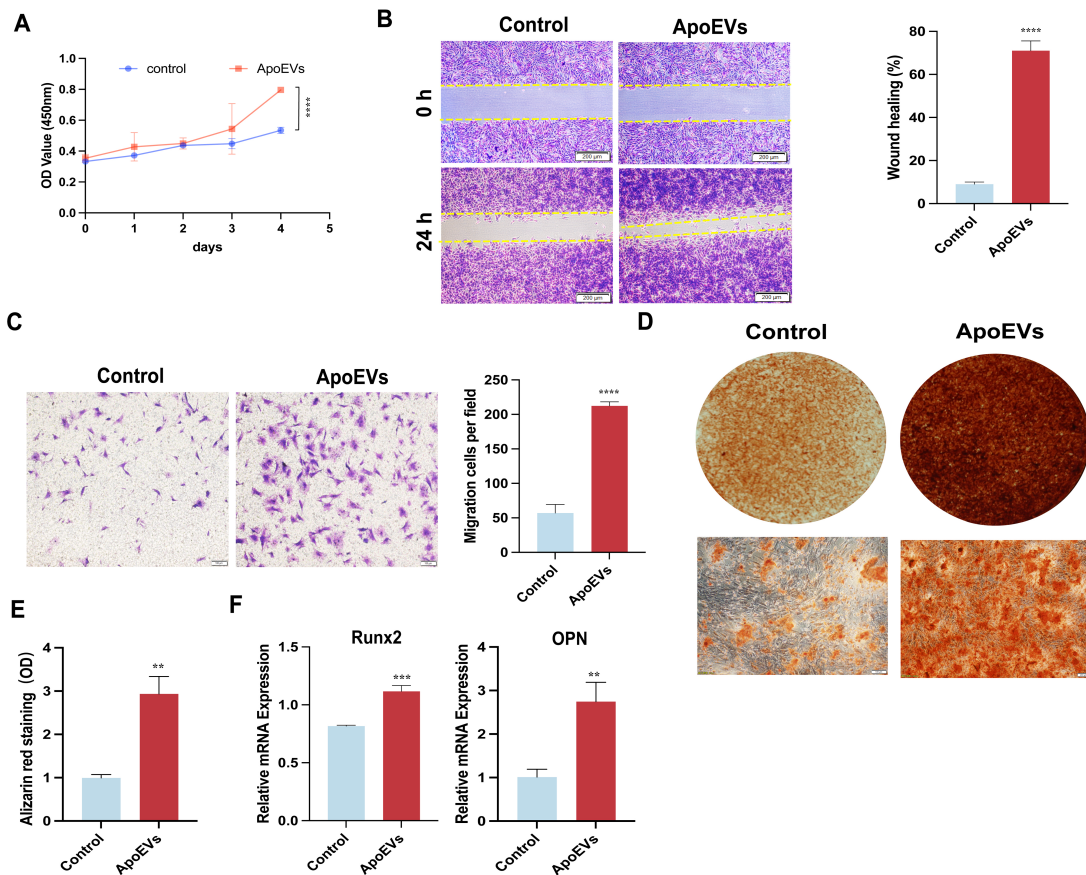


Figure S6. The effect of ApoEVs on the proliferation, migration, and osteogenic differentiation of r-BMSCs. (A) The effect of ApoEVs on the proliferation ability of BMSCs was measured by the CCK-8 assay. (B) Scratch healing assay and transwell assay (C) illustrate the effect of ApoEVs on the migration and invasion ability of BMSCs. Scale bar: 200 μm (B), and 100 μm (C). (D-E) ApoEVs increased the mineralized nodule formation of BMSCs during osteogenic induction, as assessed by alizarin red staining. Scale bar: 100 μm (F) ApoEVs from r-BMSCs promote the expression of Runx2 and OPN, as assessed by qRT-PCR. Data are means \pm SEMs. Statistical significance was determined by a two-tailed paired t-test in (A, B, C, E, F). Not significant (ns) = $P > 0.05$, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, **** $P < 0.0001$.

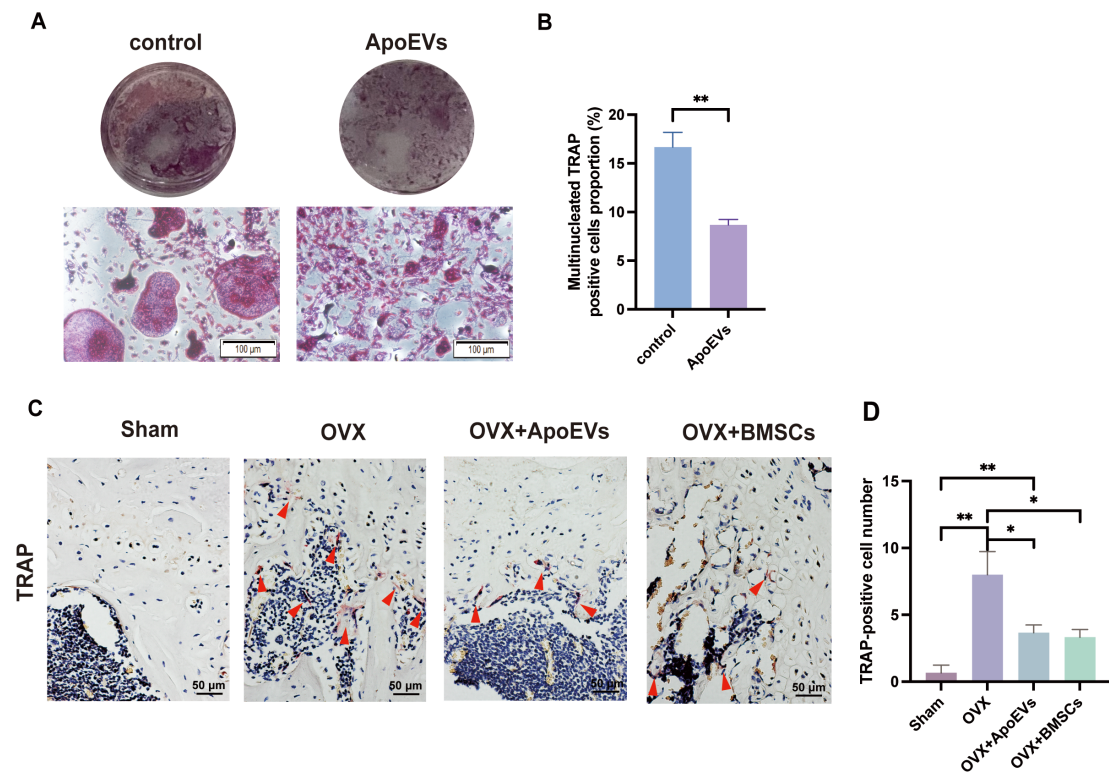


Figure S7. The effect of ApoEVs on osteoclasts. (A-B) Trap stain showed that ApoEVs inhibit osteoclast formation. Scale bar: 100 μ m. **(C-D)** ApoEVs inhibit bone resorption as assessed by Trap-stained femur slices. Scale bar: 50 μ m. * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$.

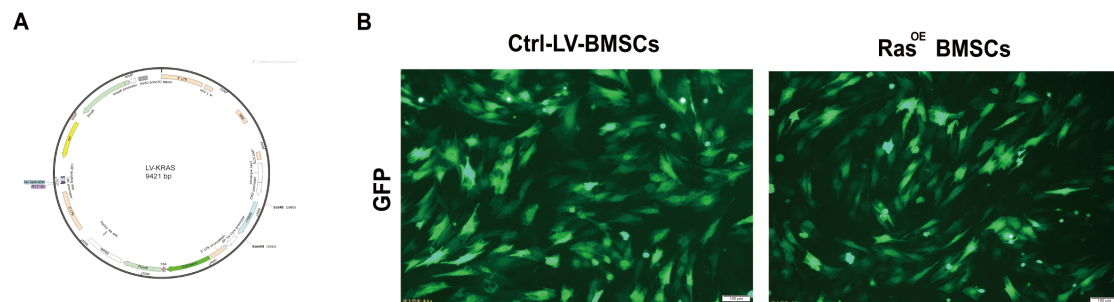


Figure S8. Ras lentivirus successfully transfected into BMSCs. (A) Schematic diagram outlining the gene targeting strategy for generating Ras overexpression in lentivirus. **(B)** GFP-Ras lentivirus successfully transfected into BMSCs. Scale bar: 100 μ m.

Table S1. The sequences of the qRT-PCR primers.

Gene	Forward primer sequence 5'→3'	Reverse primer sequence 5'→3'
Mouse		
ALP	TTGTGCCAGAGAAAGAGA	GTTTCAGGGCATTTCCTCAAGGT
RUNX2	CCGCACGACAACCGCACCAT	CGCTCCGGCCCCACAATCTC
OCN	CTGACAAAGCCTTCATGTCCAA	GCGCCGGAGTCTGTTCCTACTA

Ras	GCTCACCATCCAGTTCATCCAGTC	GGCTGCTCTGTCATCTATCACACAC
Raf1	CAGATGTGGCACGGAGCAACC	CTCGGACTGTAACTCCACACCTTG
MEK	TCATCTGGAGATCAAACCCGCAATC	CCATCGCTGTAGAACGCACCATAG
ERK1/2	CCACCTGTGAAGAATGAACT	CACCTTTCTCTGTCTTTATCGT
Ki67	CACAGAGAACAAAGGTGTGAAG	GGAGACTGCAGAGCTATTTTTG
cyclinD2	TGGGAAGTTTTGTTGGGTCA	TCCTTGTCCAGGTAATGCCA
CDK2	CCTGCTTATCAATGCAGAGGG	GTGCTGGGTACACACTAGGTG
Gapdh	AAGAAGGTGGTGAAGCAGGCATC	CGGCATCGAAGGTGGAAGAGTG
Rat		
RUNX2	TCATTTGCA _s CTGGGTCACAT	TCTCAGCCATGTTTGTGCTC
OPN	AAGCGTGGAACACACAGC	CTTTGGA _{ACT} CGCCTGACTG
Gapdh	TATGACTCTACCCACGGCAAG	TACTCAGCACCAGCATCACC

Table S2. The sequences of the siRNA primers.

Gene	Forward primer sequence 5'→3'	Reverse primer sequence 5'→3'
siRNA NC	UUCUCCGAACGUGUCACGUTT	ACGUGACACGUUCGGAGAATT
siRNA PC	CCCUCACAAGAGGAUUGAATT	UUCAAUCCUCUUGUGAGGGTT
siKRAS	CCAUUUAUAGAGAACAAAUUTT	AAUUUGUUCUCUAUAAUGGTT