## **Supporting Information**

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Fig. S1. Expression profile of miR-133 precursors (mmu-mir-133a-1, mmu-mir-133a-2 and mmu-mir-133b) and miR-135a precursor (mmu-mir-135a-1) during BMP2-induced C2C12 osteogenic differentiation. For each time point, the relative fold change of each miRNA precursor was gotten by normalizing 2 power value of fluorescence with 2 power value of fluorescence at 2h in Control. See *Materials and Methods* for miRNA microarray analysis. We also note that miR-133a-1 and miR-133a-2 generate the same mature miR-133a. Both miR-133a and miR-133b have the same seed sequence and differ by a two-nucleotide change outside seed region.



**Fig. 52.** Effect of pre-miRs and Anti-miRs on 3' UTR reporter activities of targets in C2C12 cells. (A) C2C12 cells were co-transfected with the luciferase reporters carrying wild-type Runx2 3' UTR or mutated Runx2 3' UTR, phRL-null and 100 nM RNA oligonucleotides of miR-Control (miR-C), the miR-133a or miR-34c as an irrelevant control. Effects of miR-133a and control miRNAs on the reporter constructs were shown after 36 h. The ratio of reporter (*Firefly*) to control phRL-null plasmid (*Renilla*) in relative luminescence units was plotted. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (B) C2C12 cells were co-transfected with the luciferase reporter plasmid was assessed as described above in panel A. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (C) Functional activity of the luciferase reporter plasmid carrying wild-type or mutated Smad5 3' UTR was assessed as described above in panel A. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (D) Functional activity of the luciferase reporter plasmid carrying wild-type or mutated Smad5 3' UTR was assessed as described above in panel A. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (D) Functional activity of the luciferase reporter plasmid carrying wild-type or mutated Smad5 3' UTR was assessed as described above in panel A. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (D) Functional activity of the luciferase reporter plasmid carrying wild-type or mutated Smad5 3' UTR was assessed as described above in panel A. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3. (D) Functional activity of the luciferase reporter plasmid carrying wild-type or mutated Smad5 3' UTR was assessed as described above in panel B. Error bars represent the standard error for n = 3.



**Fig. S3.** miR-181a expression during BMP2-induced C2C12 osteogenic differentiation. (*A*) Expression profile of mmu-miR-181a precursor, the relative fold change was gotten as described in supplement 1. (*B*) Northern blot analysis of miR-181a expression in Control or BMP2 treatment for 0, 4, 8, 16, 24 and 48 h. U6 snRNA was used as a loading control and miR-181a expression normalized by U6 after densitometric quantitation was plotted.

## Table S1. Antibodies used for Western blot analysis

Antibody	Source	Dilution for application	Company
Runx2	Mouse monoclonal	1:2,000	R & D Systems
SMAD5	Goat polyclonal	1:2,000	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.
p-Smad1/5	Rabbit monoclonal	1:1,000	Cell Signaling Technology, Inc.
p27	Mouse monoclonal	1:2,000	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.
MyoD	Rabbit polyclonal	1:2,000	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.
Lamin B1	Mouse monoclonal	1:5,000	Zymo Research Corp.
$\beta$ -actin	Goat polyclonal	1:5,000	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.

Gene	Primer Sequences
Runx2	5'-CGCCCCTCCCTGAACTCT-3' (Forward)
	5'-TGCCTGCCTGGGATCTGTA-3' (Reverse)
Alkaline phosphat	ase 5'-TTGTGCGAGAGAAAGGAGA-3' (Forward)
	5'-GTTTCAGGGCATTTTTCAAGGT-3' (Reverse)
Osteocalcin	5'-CTGACAAAGCCTTCATGTCCAA-3' (Forward)
	5'-GCGCCGGAGTCTGTTCACTA-3' (Reverse)
Fibromodulin	5'-CCTCCTGTCAACACCAACCT-3' (Forward)
	5'-GAAGTTCATGACGTCCACCA-3' (Reverse)
Myogenin	5'-AGTGAATGCAACTCCCACAG-3' (Forward)
	5'-ACGATGGACGTAAGGGAGTG-3' (Reverse)
Cadherin 15	5'-CCCATCTGACATTGCCAACT-3' (Forward)
	5'-CAGAGCCATCTCCCTCGTAG-3' (Reverse)
Hist2H4*	5'-CCAGCTGGTGTTTCAGATTACA-3' (Forward)
	5'-ACCCTTGCCTAGACCCTTTC-3' (Reverse)
SMAD5	5'-AGATGG CCCCAGATAATTCC-3' (Forward)
	5'-ACCAGTGTTTGGGCTCCTC-3' (Reverse)
Hoxa10	5'-CTCTCCGGAGAAGGACTC-3' (Forward)
	5'-TCTTTGCTGTGAGCCAGTTG-3' (Reverse)
HPRT	5'-CAGGCCAGACTTTGTTGGAT-3' (Forward)
	5'-TTGCGCTCATCTTAGGCTTT-3' (Reverse)

Table S2. Nucleotide sequences of primers used for quantitative RT-PCR detection

\*Mouse homologue of the human H4/n histone gene [Braastad CD *et al.* (2004) Functional characterization of a human histone gene cluster duplication. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 342:35–40].

Table S3. Nucleotide sequences of probes for Northern blot analysis

miRNA	Probe sequence	
miR-133	5'-ACAGCTGGTTGAAGGGGACCAA-3'	
miR-135	5'-ACAGCTGGTTGAAGGGGACCAA-3'	
miR-181	5'-ACTCACCGACAGCGTTGAATGTT-3'	
U6	5'-ACAGCTGGTTGAAGGGGACCAA-3'	

## Table S4. Nucleotide sequences of primers for construct and mutation of plasmids

Gene	Primer sequences	
WT Runx2 sense	5'-GCTCTAGAGCCCAGAATGATGGTGTTGACG-3'	
WT Runx2 anti-sense	5'-GGCCGGCCCTGCCTCTTGTCCCTTTCTG-3'	
Mutagenic Runx2 sense	5'-GGCCCAGTGGCATGGTCGACACATCCCGCATGTG-3'	
Mutagenic Runx2 anti-sense	5'-CACATGCGGGATGTGTCGACCATGCCACTGGGCC-3'	
WT Smad5 sense	5'-GCTCTAGAGCTAAAGCATGGGGAGCCTTAG-3'	
WT Smad5 anti-sense	5'-GGCCGGCCTTTTAAGCAGATTTTGAGGTTTATT-3'	
Mutagenic Smad5 sense	5'-GGTTTTACTGTATTGTGCTCTCACAGGCCTAACTCTTAAGAAATTTGG-3'	
Mutagenic Smad5 anti-sense	5'-CCAAATTTCTTAAGAGTTAGGCCTGTGAGAGCACAATACAGTAAAACC-3'	