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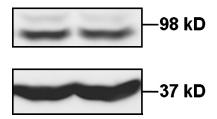


Figure S1. IrECM treatment has little effect on PrIR expression. Western blot analysis of PrIR in EpH4 cells on plastic that were treated with PrI alone (Ctrl) or with PrI plus 5% IrECM for 24 h.

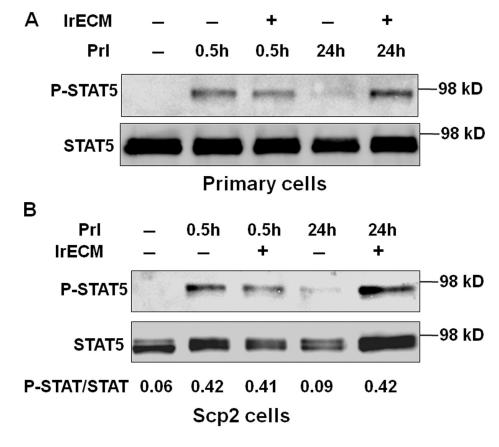


Figure S2. Sustained STAT5 phosphorylation is activated in both primary cultures of mammary epithelial cells as well as in SCp2 in response to IrECM and PrI treatment. Western blot analysis of STAT5 reactivation in primary mammary epithelial cells (A) and Scp2 cells (B).

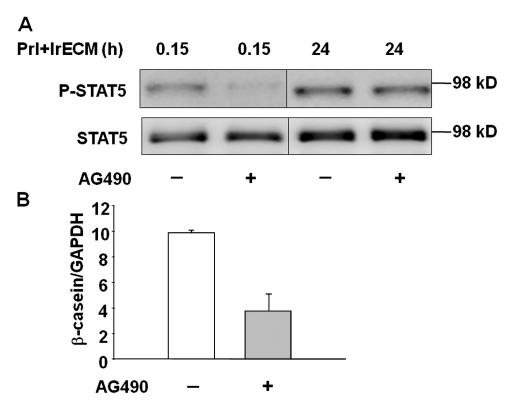


Figure S3. **Blocking the transient STAT5 activation with 25 \muM AG490 inhibited \beta-casein transcription. (A) Western blot analysis of STAT5 phosphorylation in control and AG490-treated cells. (B) Real-time RT-PCR quantifying \beta-casein mRNA levels after blocking the transient activation. The bar graph represents the mean \pm SEM.**

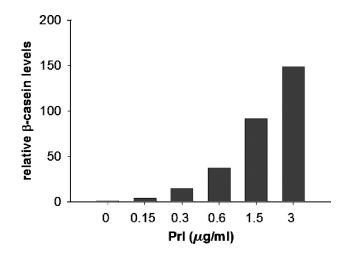


Figure S4. **Prl induces** β -casein expression in a dose-dependent manner in 3D IrECM. EpH4 cells were treated with IrECM plus different concentration of Prl for 48 h on polyHEMA, and β -casein mRNA levels were measured by real-time RT-PCR.