Supplementary Data

Figure S1. Heparin did not enhance mitogenic effects of Wnt3a. *A*, MC3T3-E1 cells were treated by either 50 ng/ml Wnt3a, 50 μ g/ml heparin or their combination for 72 h. The cell numbers were then determined using GUAVA PCA-96 Viacount system. *B* and *C*, The effects of Wnt3a and heparin on the mRNA expression levels of several key cell cycle regulators were determined by Taqman quantitative PCR. The data represents the mean \pm S.E. of three independent experiments.

Figure S2. BMPs or FGF/FGFR signaling were not required for Wnt3a/heparin stimulated ALP activity. *A*, MC3T3-E1 cells transfected with Id1-LUC reporter were challenged with either 50 ng/ml Wnt3a, 50 μ g/ml heparin, their combination or 100 ng/ml BMP2 (as positive control). *B*, The gene silencing efficiency of RNA interference was determined by Western blotting 24 h after cells were transfected with siRNA specific for Smad4 or scramble siRNA. *C*, Cells transfected with siRNAs as in *B* were treated with Wnt3a (50 ng/ml) and heparin (50 μ g/ml). After 72 h, the ALP activity was assayed. *D* and *E*, The mRNA and protein expression of FGFR1, R2 or R3 in MC3T3-E1 cells was assessed after treatments as indicated using Taqman quantitative PCR and Western blot analysis, respectively. *F*, MC3T3-E1 cells pre-treated by various doses of SU5402 were pulsed in combination with Wnt3a and heparin. At 72 h post-stimulation, ALP activity was measured. *G*, The level of phosphorylated ERKs were determined by Western blot analysis in MC3T3-E1 cells exposed to Wnt3a and heparin.

Figure S3. *A*, MC3T3-E1 cells were treated with 100 ng/ml IGF-1, 50 μ g/ml heparin, or their combination for 72 h before ALP activity was determined. *B*, Cells were pretreated with 5 μ M cycloheximide (CHX) or equal amount of DMSO as vehicle control for 1 h before stimulated with the combination of Wnt3a and heparin. 24 h later, the level of phosphorylated Akt was detected by Western Blot analysis.

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