SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES

Supplementary Figure S 1. Low power light microscopy of atrial regions of WT, $RyR2^{+/S}$ and $RyR2^{S/S}$ hearts.

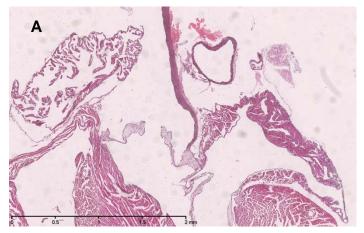
Sections from WT (A, B), $RyR2^{+/S}$ (C, D) and $RyR2^{S/S}$ hearts (E, F) stained with hematoxylin and eosin (A, C, E) or Massons trichrome (B, D, F) showing no detectable structural abnormalities. Hearts of 6-month old mice (WT, $RyR2^{+/S}$ and $RyR2^{S/S}$, n=3 in each group) were excised, following sacrifice by cervical dislocation (Schedule I, UK Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act (1986)). Hearts were perfused and then stored in 4% paraformal dehyde, for routine tissue processing and paraffin embedding. The paraffin blocks were then serially sectioned and stained with hematoxylin and eosin and Massons trichrome for light microscopy.

Supplementary Figure S 2. Linescan reconstructions of Ca^{2+} sparks in isolated atrial myocytes under resting conditions.

Typical results from (A, B) WT hearts, (C, D) RyR2^{+/S} and (E, F) RyR2S^{/S} hearts before (A, C, E), and following (B, D, F) addition of isoproterenol.

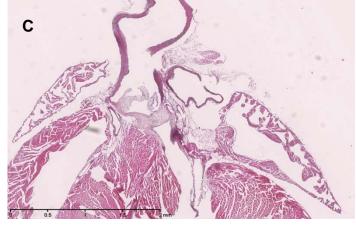
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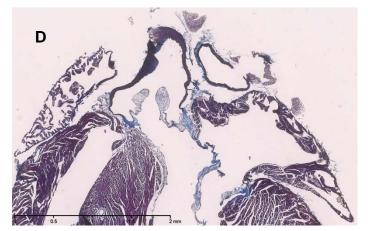
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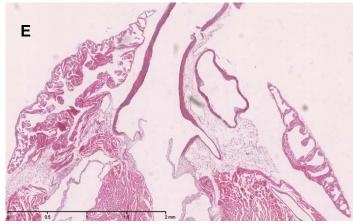


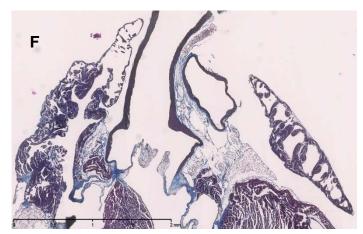


RyR2+/S









RyR2^{S/S}

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