

In vitro angiogenesis assays. A. HUVEC cells were transfected with ELF4 Stealth Select RNAi and Stealth RNAi negative control and ELF4 expression was quantified by qPCR. B. Following 48 hours after silencing, a single wound was made in the center of cell monolayer. Phase contrast images were taken at different times on same area using a Nikon TE300 microscope. Migration rate was estimated by taking the width of wound before and after incubation (average of 4 different fields in three independent experiments). C. For tube formation, HUVEC cells were plated at a concentration of 4.8 x 10⁴ cells/well on Matrigel (BD Biosciences). Pictures were taken after 16-20 hours of incubation using an inverted microscope Nikon TE300. Quantitative analysis of tube length was performed using NI-Elements software (Nikon).