Supplemental Information

PARN mediates 3'-end trimming of Argonaute2-cleaved precursor microRNAs

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Figure S1. Biochemical characterization of the trimming reaction, Related to Figure 1.

(A) Cleavage of the pre-miR-451 3' arm is required for trimming in vitro. Pre-miR-451 was loaded into FLAG-tagged Ago1–4 or the catalytic mutant of Ago2 on beads and

trimmed in K562 lysate. Mature miR-451 was produced only with the catalytically active wild-type Ago2.

(B) Pre-nicked ac-pre-miR-451 can be matured regardless of the catalytic activity of Ago. Ac-pre-miR-451 was loaded into FLAG-tagged Ago1–4 or the catalytic mutant of Ago2 on beads and trimmed in K562 lysate. Mature miR-451 was produced even with catalytically inactive Ago proteins.

(C and D) The trimming enzyme is an exoribonuclease. Introduction of a phyphorotioate linkage or a 2'-O-methyl group specifically inhibited the trimming reaction at the corresponding positions in vitro (C) and in zebrafish embryos (D).

(E) The trimming enzyme is Mg^{2+} -dependent. Trimming was inhibited by EDTA and rescued by an excess amount of Mg^{2+} .

(F) Oligouridylation does not affect trimming. Ac-pre-miR-451 and its derivatives with additional 1–3 uridines at the 3' end were assayed for trimming in K562 lysate.



Figure S2. Knockdown or overexpression of PARN does not affect the lengths of miR-144 and endogenous *let-7*, Related to Figure 2.

Note that PARN knockdown markedly inhibited the cell growth and reduced the expression level of miR-144/miR-451, while having little impact on endogenous *let-7*. Importantly, unlike miR-451 (Figure 2D), the lengths (not the abundance) of miR-144 and *let-7* were not affected by knockdown and overexpression of PARN, highlighting the specific role of PARN in miR-451 maturation.



Figure S3. Trimming by recombinant PARN, Related to Figure 3.

(A) Pre-miR-451 was loaded into FLAG-tagged Ago1–4 or the catalytic mutant of Ago2 on beads and trimmed by recombinant PARN. Mature miR-451 was produced only with the catalytically active wild-type Ago2.

(B) Ac-pre-miR-451 was loaded into FLAG-tagged Ago1–4 or the catalytic mutant of Ago2 on beads and trimmed by recombinant PARN. Mature miR-451 was produced even with catalytically inactive Ago proteins.

Wild type, mock

MZ*dicer*, miR-430 duplex



MZdicer, pre-miR-430Ago2 hairpin 3×PS





MZdicer, pre-miR-430^{Ago2 hairpin}





Figure S4. Trimming is not essential to rescue the MZ*dicer* phenotype, Related to Figure 5.

Injection of miR-430 duplex, pre-miR-430^{Ago2 hairpin} or pre-miR-430^{Ago2 hairpin} $3 \times PS$ rescued the morphological defects of MZ*dicer* mutant embryos. Three representative embryos for each condition are shown.

Genotype	Injustion	Total number	Reads aligning	Reads aligning		
	Injection	of reads	by TopHat	to genes		
Wild type	_	37,116,664	31,990,244	26,223,728		
MZdicer	_	21,187,083	18,204,781	14,840,805		
MZdicer	miR-430 duplex	35,702,972	30,873,614	25,256,403		
MZdicer	pre-miR- 430 ^{Ago2 hairpin}	34,707,968	29,534,030	24,074,005		
MZdicer	pre-miR- 430 ^{Ago2 hairpin} 3×PS	35,019,312	30,101,667	24,576,382		

Table S	51. (Summary	of	RNA	sec	uencing,	Re	lated	to	Figure	6.