

**Supplementary Data:**

**On-line Video 1:** Low magnification video showing bioreactor platform stretching the PDMS microtissue wells

**On-line Video 2:** High magnification video showing bioreactor platform stretching the PDMS wells containing cardiac microtissues

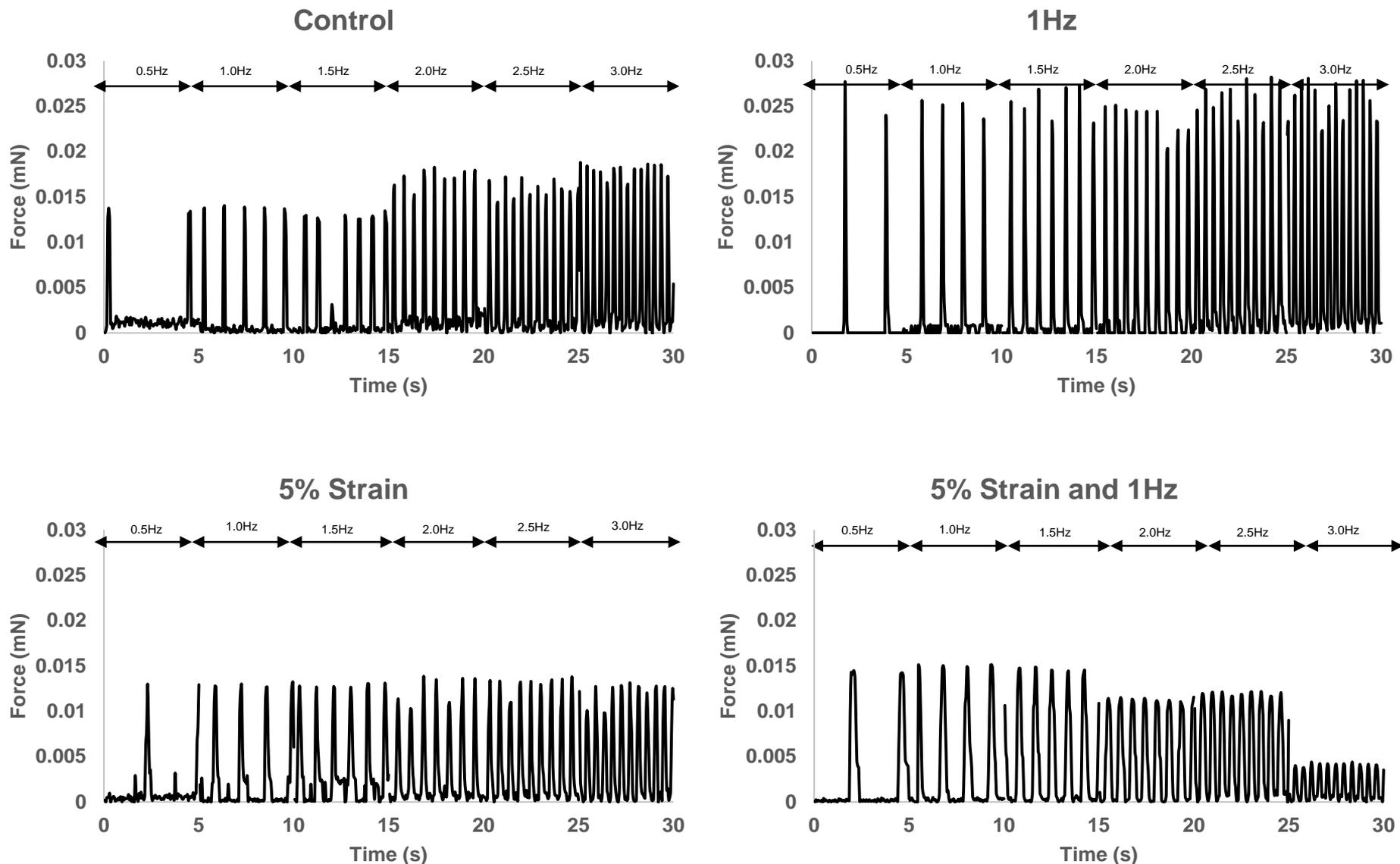
**Supplemental Table 1:** Oligonucleotide sequences used

<b>Gene</b>	<b>Forward</b>	<b>Reverse</b>
<b>GAPDH</b>	ACGGGAAACCCATCACCATC	CTCGTGGTTCACACCCATCA
<b>BAX</b>	TCCAGGATCGAGCAGA	AAGTAGAAGAGGGCAACC
<b>BCL2</b>	CTGGTGGACAACATCGCTCTG	GGTCTGCTGACCTCACTTGTG
<b><math>\alpha</math>MHC</b>	TGATGACTCCGAGGAGCTTT	TGACACAGACCCTTGAGCAG
<b><math>\beta</math>MHC</b>	CCTCGCAATATCAAGGGAAA	TACAGGTGCATCAGCTCCAG
<b>ANF</b>	GAGTGAGCCGAGACAGCAAA	TTGCTCCAATATGGCCTGGG
<b>BNP</b>	GACGGGCTGAGGTTGTTTTA	ACTGTGGCAAGTTTGTGCTG
<b>SERCA</b>	TGCTGGAACCTGTGATCGAG	AGCGTTTCTCTCCTGCCATA

**Supplemental Table 2:** Average force and cross sectional area measurements

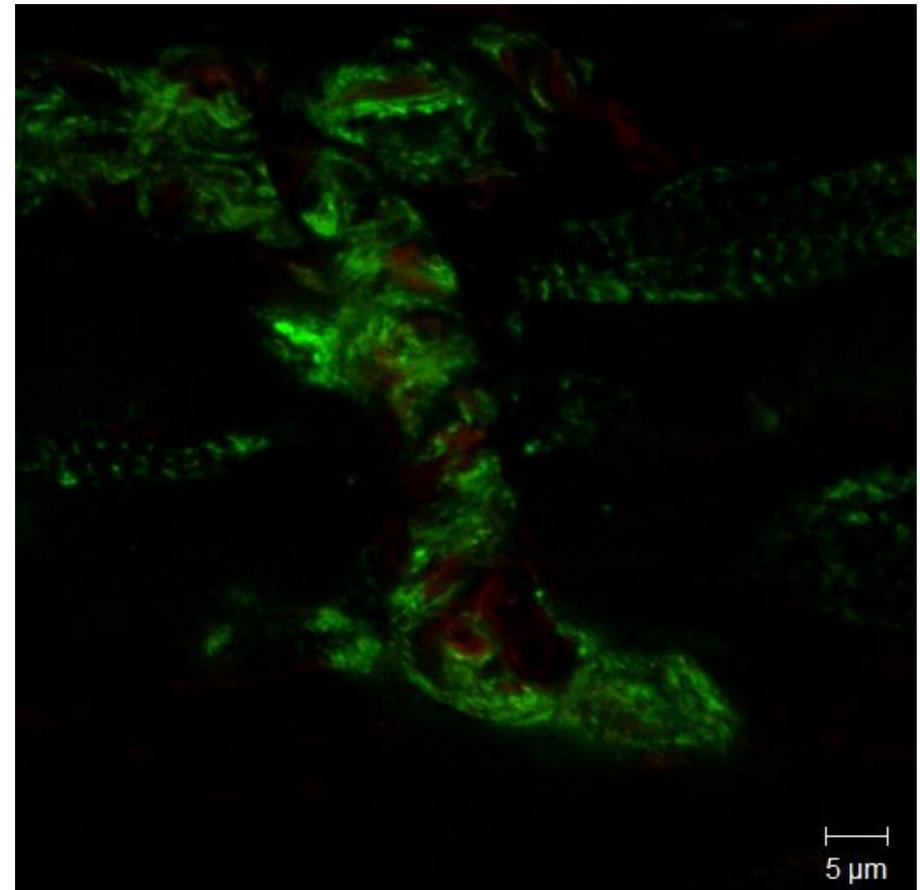
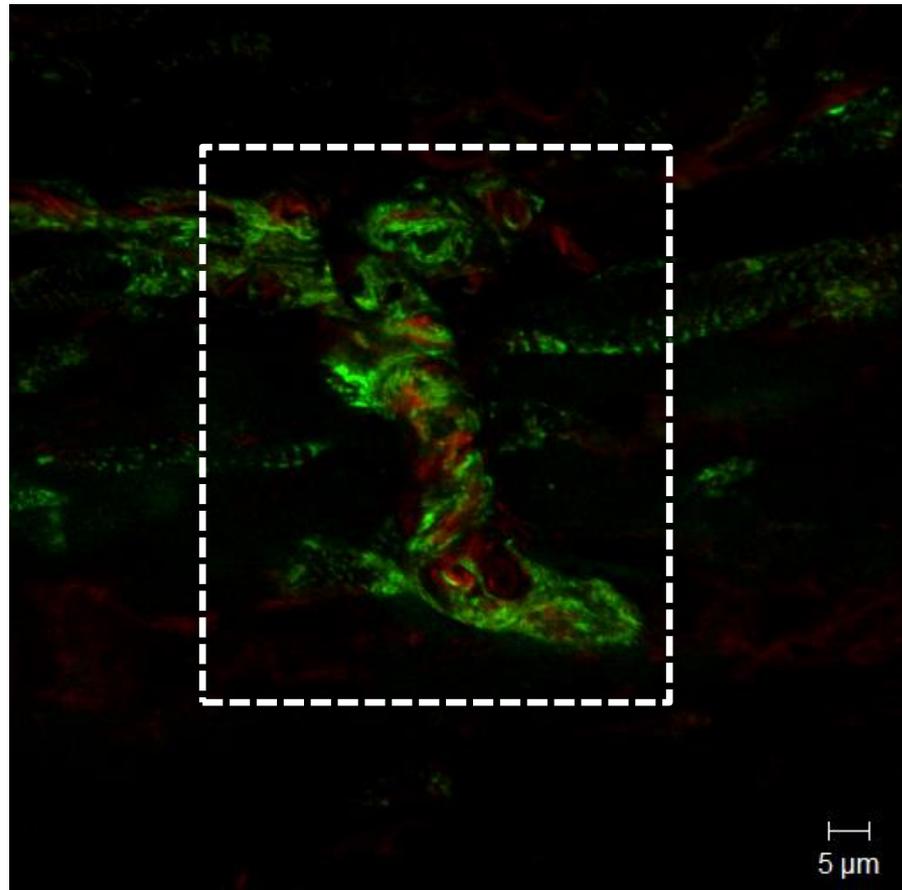
	<b>Force (mN)</b>	<b>Cross Sectional Area (mm<sup>2</sup>)</b>
<b>Control</b>	<b>0.021±0.004</b>	<b>0.073±0.002</b>
<b>1Hz</b>	<b>0.021±0.003</b>	<b>0.080±0.016</b>
<b>5% Strain</b>	<b>0.009±0.004</b>	<b>0.064±0.012</b>
<b>5% Strain + 1Hz</b>	<b>0.063±0.058</b>	<b>0.066±0.015</b>

# Supplemental Figure 1



**Supplemental Figure 1:** Representative post deflection traces of the four conditions at increasing pacing frequency starting at 0.5Hz and increasing to 3.0Hz in 0.5Hz increments. Each pacing frequency is shown for 5 seconds.

## Supplemental Figure 2



**Supplemental Figure 2:** Regions of myofibrils running perpendicular to the applied 5% static strain (strain applied left to right). Double staining for sarcomeric  $\alpha$ -actinin (green) and actin (red). White box region enlarged in right image.