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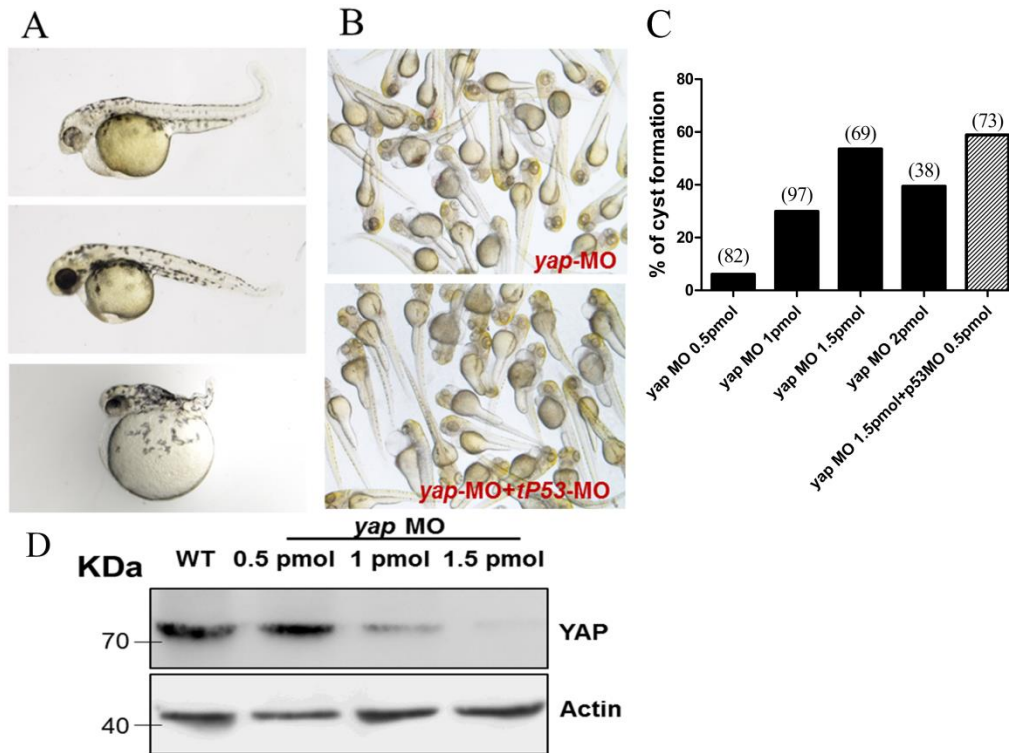


Figure S1. Phenotypes in *yap* MO embryos are dose-dependent and not non-specific effects of the p53 apoptosis pathway. (A) *yap* morphants show randomization of tail curvature and exhibit short axis with high concentration of MO injection. (B) Coinjection of *tP53* MO with *yap* MO exhibits similar phenotypes with *yap* morphants and even more serious heart edema. (C) Quantification of embryos with pronephric cysts. Number above the column is counted embryos each group. (D) Western blot of 1 d.p.f embryos sees the efficiency of Yap knockdown with different MO dosages.

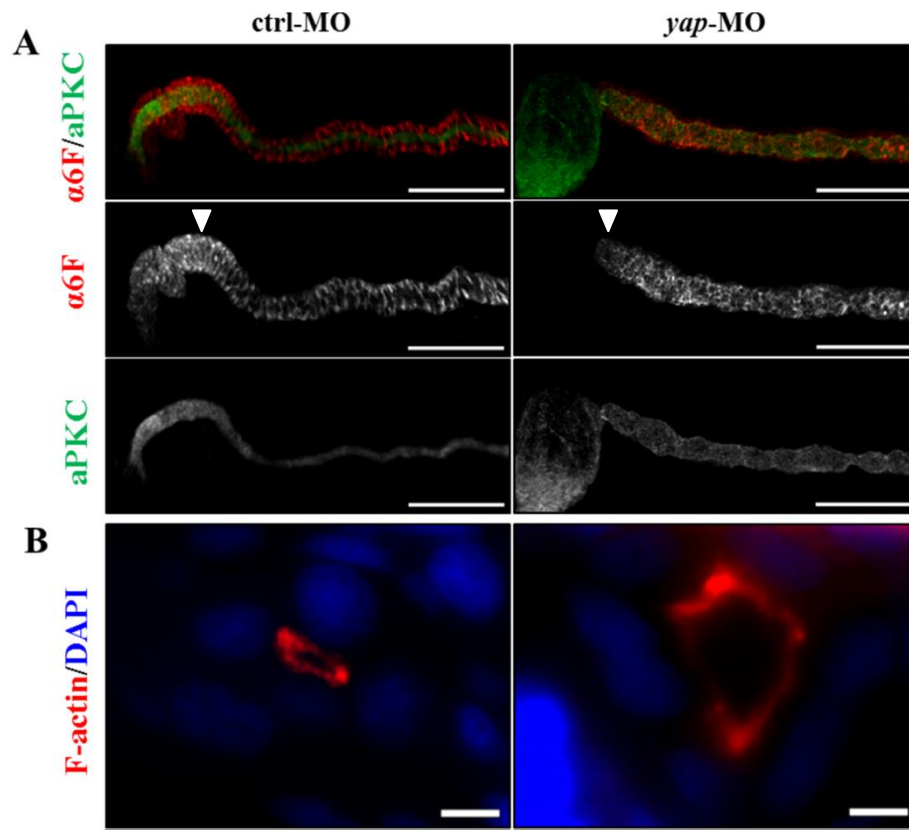


Figure S2. (A) Pronephric duct of the Yap knockdown embryo enlarges in almost all segments, and **dilation of the inner diameter with aPKC staining is much more evident.** Alternatively, the “hairpin” convolution of the proximal segment disappears with $\alpha 6F$ staining (arrowheads). Bar: 100 μm . (B) F-actin staining of the expanded tubule remains unaffected. Bar: 5 μm .

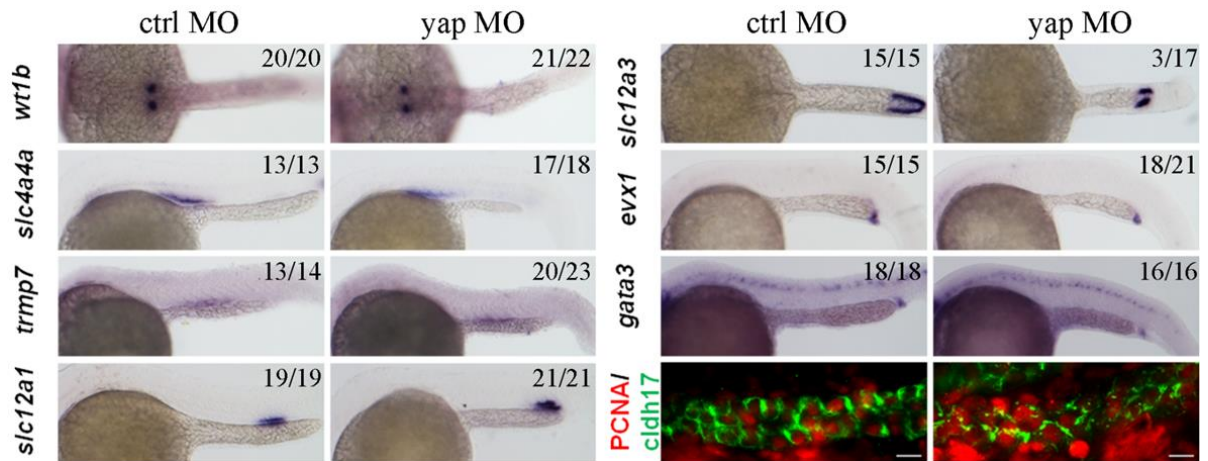


Figure S3. Examination of segment-restricted probes in 24 h.p.f embryos demonstrates no obvious change between morphants and control except for lack of fusion in *slc12a3*⁺ cells near cloaca. Double staining of *cldh17* and PCNA revealed normal cell proliferation in distal segment of 24 h.p.f embryos. Bar: 10 μ m.

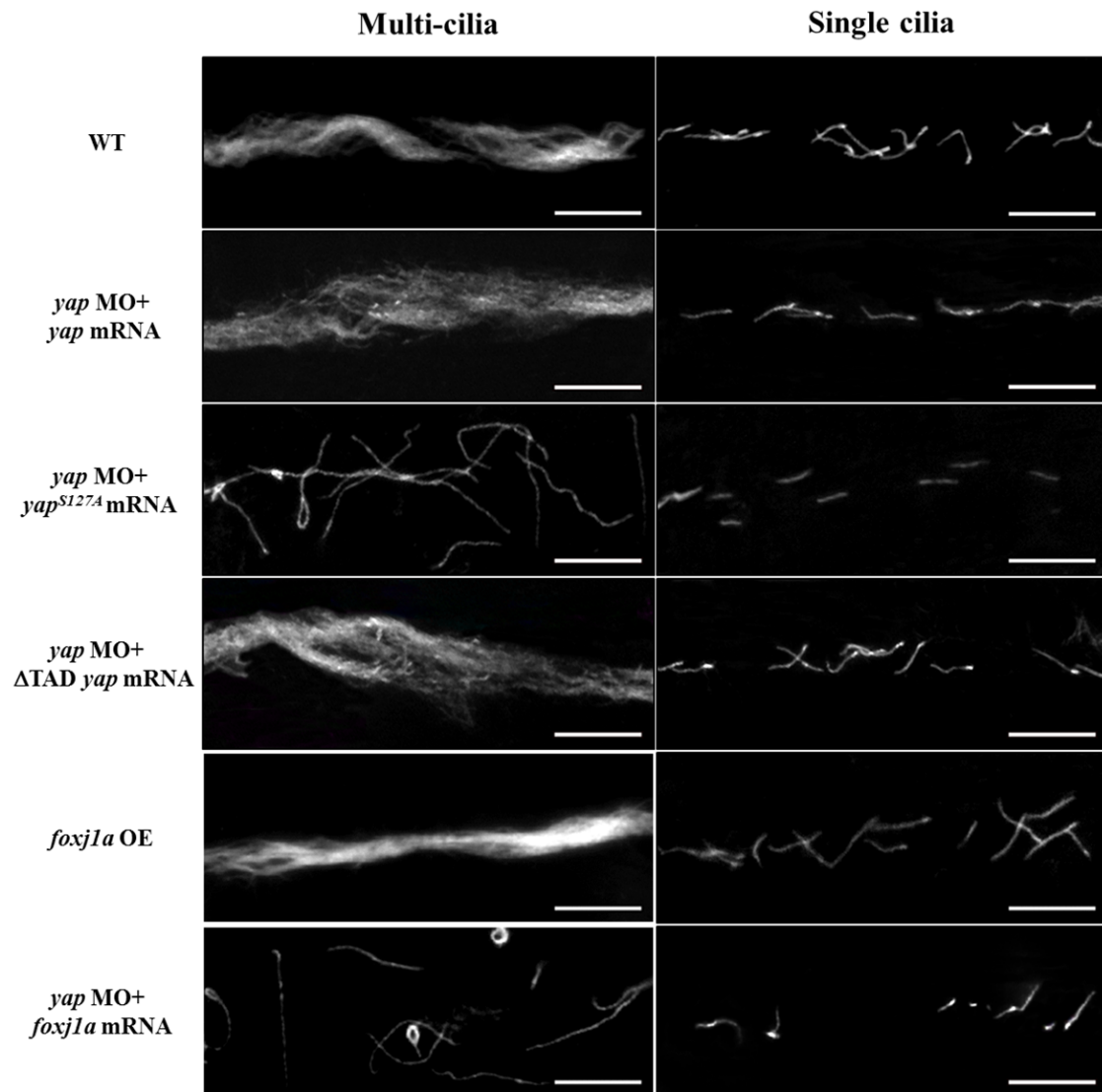


Figure S4. Compared with the wild-type embryos, full length and Δ TAD *yap* mRNA can rescue the cilia defects of *yap* morphants, while coinjection with *yap*^{S127A} mRNA doesn't have similar effect. In addition, over-expression of *foxj1a* mRNA in wild-type and *yap* morphant embryo has no obvious influence in ciliogenesis.