Prednisolone induces apoptosis in corneal epithelial cells through the intrinsic pathway.

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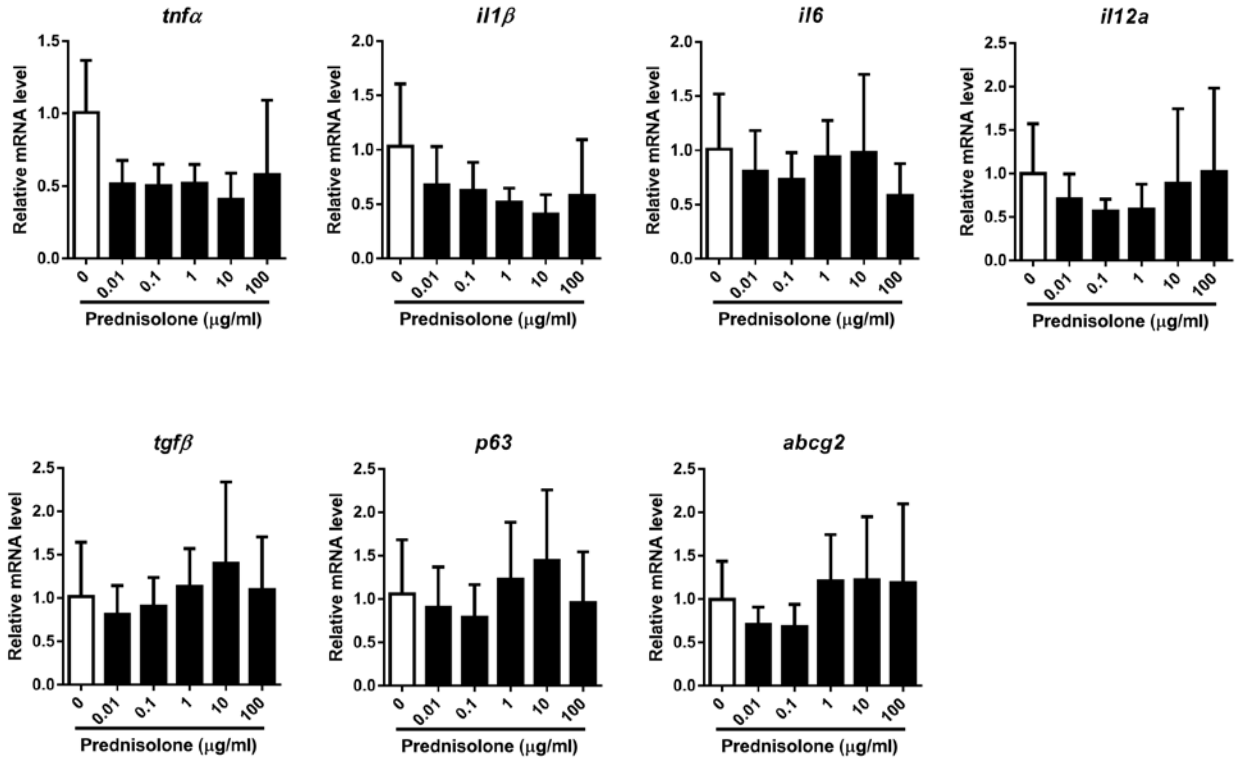
Supplementary Figure 1. Effect of prednisolone on inflammatory cytokine expression in hCECs at steady state. Real-time RT PCR analysis for inflammatory cytokines (TNF-α, IL-1β, IL-6, IL-12A, and TGF-β1) and epithelial stem cell-specific markers (P63 and ABCG2) in hCECs treated with various concentrations of prednisolone. Data are presented as mean + SD from five independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 2. Effect of prednisolone on epithelial stem cell-specific markers in hCECs stimulated with hyperosmolarity. Real-time RT PCR analysis for epithelial stem cell-specific markers (P63 and ABCG2) in hCECs treated by 100 mM NaCl in the presence or absence of prednisolone (10 μg/ml) for 3 days. Data are presented as mean + SD from five independent experiments. ** $p < 0.01$.