Supplemental Information

SIRT6 promotes osteogenic differentiation of mesenchymal stem cells through

BMP signaling

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Supplemental Fig. 1

(A) The knockdown efficiency of *SIRT6* in MSCs was validated by fluorescence microscopy. A1, bright field of Scrsh cells; A2, GFP-Scrsh positive cells; A3, merge of bright field and GFP-positive cells. B1, bright field of SIRT6sh#1 cells; B2, GFP-SIRT6sh#1 positive cells; B3, merge of B1 and B2. C1, bright field of SIRT6sh#2 cells; C2, GFP-SIRT6sh#2 positive cells; C3, merge of C1 and C2. Scale bar represents 100

µm. (B) Knockdown of *SIRT6* in MSCs was validated by RT-qPCR. (C) The knockdown of *SIRT6* inhibited the expression of *SP7* in MSCs, as determined by RT-qPCR. (D) mRNA expressions of SIRT1-SIRT7 in SIRT6 knockdown cells. All data are shown as mean \pm SD, n = 3. ****P* < 0.001. pm: proliferation media; om: osteogenic media.

Supplemental Fig. 2

(A-B) Knockdown of *SIRT1* in MSCs was validated by western blotting and RT-qPCR. (C-D) *SIRT1* knockdown decreased ALP activity in MSCs. Control or *SIRT1* knockdown MSCs were treated with proliferation- or osteogenesis-inducing media for 7 days for ALP staining (C), and cellular extracts were prepared to quantify ALP activity (D). Knockdown of *SIRT6* inhibited the expression of *RUNX2* (E) and *ALP* (F) in MSCs, as determined by quantitative real-time RT-PCR. All data are shown as mean \pm SD, n = 3. ****P*< 0.001. pm: proliferation-inducing media; om: osteogenic-inducing media.

Supplemental Fig. 3

(A) Rescue of WT or mutant *SIRT6* cell line, as validated by fluorescence microscopy. A1, bright field of vector-transfection in GFP- SIRT6sh cells; A2, GFP-SIRT6sh positive cells with vector transfection; A3, merge of A1 and A2. B1, bright field of flag-SIRT6 (WT) infection in SIRT6sh cells; B2, GFP-SIRT6sh/ flag-SIRT6 (WT) positive cells; B3, merge of B1 and B2. C1, bright field of flag-SIRT6 (HY) infection in SIRT6sh cells; C2, GFP-SIRT6sh/ flag-SIRT6 (HY) positive cells; C3, merge of C1 and C2. Scale bar represents 100 μ m. (B) Rescue of WT or mutant *SIRT6* cell line was validated by RT-qPCR. (C-D) Overexpression of *SIRT6* promoted the expression of *SP7* (C) and *RUNX2* (D) in MSCs, as determined by RT-qPCR. All data are shown as mean \pm SD, n = 3. **P* < 0.05, ***P* < 0.01 and ****P* < 0.001. pm: proliferation media; om: osteogenic media.

Supplemental Fig. 4

(A-B) *ALP* (B) and *RUNX2* (C) mRNA expression by RT-qPCR in control, *SIRT6*-Knockdown, *SIRT6*-Knockdown + BAY 117082 (2 μ M) and *SIRT6*-Knockdown + BMP2 100ng/ml groups. All data are shown as mean \pm SD, n=3. ****P* < 0.001. pm: proliferation media; om: osteogenic media.

Supplemental Fig. 5

(A-B) *PCAF* knockdown diminishes the effect of *SIRT6* on *BMP4* (A) and *BMP2* (B) expression, as determined by RT-qPCR analysis. (C-D) Overexpression of *PCAF* in *SIRT6* knockdown cells reversed the decreased expression of *BMP4* (C) and *BMP2* (D). (E-F) ChIP analysis detected PCAF at the promoters of *BMP4* (E) and *BMPR1B* (F) in WT and *SIRT6* knockdown MSCs. All data are shown as mean \pm SD, n=3. **P* < 0.05 and ****P* < 0.001.

Supplemental Fig. 6

(A-B) Trabecular separation (A) and thickness (B) were detected in both sham and

OVX-ed mice. **P* < 0.05 and ***P* < 0.01.





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