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Supplemental Information

MicroRNA-532-5p Regulates Pericyte Function

by Targeting the Transcription Regulator

BACH1 and Angiopoietin-1

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Figure S1



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Immunofluorescent staining demonstrating human APC antigenic profile





Anti-rabbit negative control Anti-mouse negative control

GATA-4

Vimentin









Supplemental Figure 1. S1A: Flow cytometry analyses of adventitial pericytes isolated from human saphenous veins. (i). Bar graphs show the mean±SE values of three human adventitial pericytes (APC) lines. Representative images of flow cytometry gating procedure for a single APC line at P5 are shown. (ii) Total cell populations and the single cells (singlets), were gated according to FSC-A vs. SSC-A and FSC-A vs. FSC-H parameters. Cells were further gated for negative (iii) and positive controls (iv) of selected antigens. Pericyte, mesenchymal, endothelial, and hematopoietic markers were studied. (v) Flow cytometry histograms for each surface marker in representative human APC line. Negative control staining profiles are shown by the red histograms, whereas specific antibody staining profiles are shown by light blue histograms. **S1B: Immunofluorescent analyses of** APCs isolated from human saphenous veins. Representative images from a single APC line stained for PDGFRβ, GATA-4, vimentin and VE-cadherin. x40 magnification. Blue staining: DAPI, green staining: protein of interest. Figure S1C: Characterization of muscular pericytes Skeletal muscle pericytes (MPCs) were isolated from human sartorius muscle biopsies. The phenotypical characterization was carried out by immunofluoresce staining (i) for the typical pericyte markers NG2, CD146 and PDGFRβ. In addition, MPCs show positivity for the muscle marker CD56 and negativity for the expression of the endothelial (CD31) and satellite cell (PAX7) markers. (ii) FACS analysis shows that MPCs express alkaline fosfatase (ALP- red line). The blue line shows the negative control (NEG) as a reference.

Effect of miR-532-5p modulation on VEGF-A gene expression



Supplemental Figure 2. Effect of miR-532-5p modulation on VEGF-A expression: (i) *VEGFA* mRNA levels in APCs transfected with scrambled sequence or miR-532-5p antimiR. (ii) *VEGFA* mRNA levels in APCs transfected with scrambled sequence or miR-532-5p mimic; N=5 biological replicates per group. P=N.S. for both comparisons. All values are means±SE.

Figure S3



Supplemental Figure 3. Inhibition of miR-532-5p does not affect the expression of genes predicted by in silico analysis: (i) *RUNX3*, (ii) *TRAPPC2P1*, (iii) *METTL20*, (iv) *ZFHX3* or (v) *CPNE1* expression remain unaltered upon miR-532-5p inhibition. P=N.S. for any of the tested genes; N=6-8 biological replicates. All values are means±SE.







Supplemental Figure 4. Validation of in silico predicted targets for the miR-532/Ang-1 axis. In silico analysis identified BACH1, HIF1AN and EGLN1 as possible regulators. qPCR demonstrated (A) inhibition of miR-532 had no effect on HIF1AN (i) or EGLN1 (ii) expression. (B) Likewise, overexpression of miR-532 had no effect on HIF1AN (i) or EGLN1 (ii) expression; N=3 replicates. All values are means±SE

Supplemental table 1

Patient ID	Age	Gender	Pathology									
APC			Smoker	DM	MI	HPT	HPC	CPD	CHF	AF	PCI	
5.4.13H		М										
15.4.13		М	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	
29.5.13	85	М	Ex >1 month	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	
12.6.13	71	М	Ex >1 month	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	
19.6.13		М	Ex >1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	
9.7.13D	59	М	Ex >1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
15.11.13C		М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
15.12.13B		М										
8.5.14D	40	М	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
30.4.14C	75	М	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
30.4.14G	63	М	Ex >1 month	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
8.7.14A	61	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
16.10.14A	67	М	Ex >1 month	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
28.10.14C	82	M	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
9.2.15B	82	М	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
20.2.15B	67	М	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	
13.3.15A	56	М	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	
30.3.15A	79	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
29.4.15C	63	М	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	
10.6.15B	69	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
15.9.15B	64	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
15.9.15C	41	М	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
17.11.15B	67	М	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	
13.10.15E	72	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
12.1.16A	80	М	Ex >1 month	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	
9.2.16B	73	М	Ex >1 month	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
9.2.16C	57	М	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
5.3.16A	64	М	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
1.4.16B	80	М	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
5.4.16A	71	М	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
4.10.16B	75	М	Ex	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	
4.10.16C	57	М	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	
Muscle pericytes donors												
Patient	Patient ID		Age			Gender					Pathology	
MP36		34			М					CTRL		
MD37	MP37		53			F					CTRI	
MDAO		33										
		44										
		58			F							
MP 46		46			M					CTRL		
MP57		57			F					CTRL		
MP 67		67			F					CTRL		
MP 73		73			F					CTRL		
MP 7	MP 7		51			М					T2D+CLI	
MP 10		76			M							
		10										
		84			F -							
MP18		67			F					T2D+CLI		
MP22		86			Μ					T2D+CLI		
MP14		80			M					CLI		
MP23		77			M					CLI		
MP24		85								CLI		

Table S1. Clinical characteristics of patient donors. APCs and MPCs were isolated as previously described. *Abbreviations*: Ex = Ex-smoker (patient that stopped smoking at least one month before the surgery); DM = Diabetes Mellitus; MI = Myocardial Infarction; HPT = Hypertension; HPC = Hypercholesterolemia; CPD = Chronic Pulmonary Disease; CHF = Congestive Heart Failure; AF = Atrial Fibrillation; PCI = Percutaneous Coronary Intervention; CTRL = no pathology; CLI = critical limb ischemia; T2D+CLI = type 2 diabetes + CLI.