SOX11 and SOX4 drive the reactivation of an embryonic gene program during murine wound repair

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Supplementary Information







Supplementary Figure 1. SOX11 overexpression inhibits keratinocyte differentiation. (a) Immunofluorescence analysis of FLAG-tagged SOX11 induction in *K14-rtTA*;*TRE-Sox11-FLAG* keratinocytes *in vitro*. Primary keratinocytes from *K14-rtTA* (control) or *K14-rtTA*;*TRE-Sox11-FLAG* newborn skins were cultured with or without Dox (1 µg/ml) for 24 h prior to immunostaining for FLAG tag. (b) Effect of SOX11 expression on calcium-induced morphological changes of keratinocytes *in vitro*. Primary keratinocytes from *K14-rtTA* (control) or *K14-rtTA*;*TRE-Sox11-FLAG* newborn skins were cultured with or without Dox (1 µg/ml) for 24 h prior to immunostaining for FLAG tag. (b) Effect of SOX11 expression on calcium-induced morphological changes of keratinocytes *in vitro*. Primary keratinocytes from *K14-rtTA* (control) or *K14-rtTA*;*TRE-Sox11-FLAG* newborn skins were cultured with or without Dox (1 µg/ml) 24 h prior to the addition of 1.5-mM calcium or vehicle control for an additional 24 h. (c) qRT-PCR analysis of epidermal differentiation gene expression in *K14-rtTA* (control) or *K14-rtTA*;*TRE- Sox11-FLAG* keratinocytes. Cells with or without Dox treatment were cultured with or without calcium (1.5 mM) for 24 h. The gene expression level in the *K14-rtTA* cells without any treatment was set as 1. Data are the mean \pm SD. *n* = 5 biologically independent samples. **p*<0.05 (Student's one-tailed *t*-test). Scale bar, 100 µm. Images in panels **a** and **b** are representative of images from 2 and 3 experiments, respectively. The selected images reflect the images detected uniformly across the plate of each sample. Source data for panel **c** are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 2. Effects of deficiency of Sox11 and Sox4. (a) Images of WT and *Sox11* cKO neonates. Note the open eyes in *Sox11* cKO pups (arrow-headed). (b) Images of WT and newborns deficient of both *Sox11* and *Sox4*. Note the lack of milk spot (arrow-headed) in the dcKO. (c) Immunofluorescence analysis of epidermal differentiation markers in embryos lacking either *Sox11* or *Sox4* at E16.5. White dashed lines demark the epidermal and dermal border. Scale bar, 50 µm. Neonates in the images in panels **a** and **b** are representative of those from all (>20) the litters observed with 8-12 animals each litter. Images in panel **c** are representative of images from 2 experiments on 2 different pairs of animals. The selected images reflect the images detected uniformly across the skin section of each sample.



Supplementary Figure 3. ChIP-qPCR analysis of epidermal cells over-expressing SOX11. ChIP was performed with anti-FLAG antibody on ~10 million pooled epidermal basal cells isolated from *K14rtTA;TRE-Sox11-FLAG* 4-day old pups 24 h after Dox treatment. qPCR analysis was done using primers spanning regions containing SOX4/11- binding motif or regions without the conserved binding sites (negative control) of selected targets identified by ChIP-seq. The graph shows the relative amount of the region containing SOX11/4 binding motif bound to SOX11-FLAG relative to the negative control region. Data are mean \pm SD. n = 2 biologically independent samples. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Cell organization/movement-related genes С Down at Up at Up at Down at . E13.5 E13.5 wound edge wound edge 1101 658 267 628 824 228 (*p* = 2.3e-10; *R*=1.4) (*p* = 4.2e-14; *R*=1.6) Up at Down at Down at Down at E13.5 E13.5 wound edge wound edge 1194 712 897 740 155 174 (*p* = 0.94; *R*=0.9) (*p* = 0.28; *R*=1.0)

Supplementary Figure 4. Transcriptomic profiling of primary keratinocytes deficient of both *Sox11* and *Sox4* or of either gene alone. (a) Primary keratinocytes cultured from newborn littermates of indicated genotypes were subjected to the two-color microarray analysis with 2 biological replicates per genotype. Heat map shows clustering of genes with significant differential expression (log2-fold change >1.5 and FDR<0.05) in dcKO, *Sox11* cKO or *Sox4* cKO primary keratinocytes relative to their wild-type controls. (b) Venn diagram showing the overlap of the probesets significantly changed in dcKO, *Sox11* cKO or *Sox4* cKO keratinocytes. (c) Venn diagrams comparing cell organization and cell migration related genes that are differentially expressed in epidermal cells at E13.5 versus P4 and at wound edge versus unwounded¹. Statistical significance (highlighted in red) is found in the overlap between genes upregulated at E13.5 and at the wound edge (p = 2.3e-10, R>1) and between genes are provided as a Source Data file.

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Supplementary Figure 5. Regulation of Fblim1 and Fscn1 by SOX11 and SOX4. (a) Immunofluorescence analysis of FBLIM1 expression in WT and dcKO primary keratinocytes. Images are representative of images from 2 independent experiments. (b) RT-qPCR analysis of Fblim1 expression in isolated E16.5 epidermis and primary keratinocytes of specified genotypes. Data are the mean \pm SD. n = 2 (Sox11 cKO-control pairs), or 3 (Sox4 cKO-control pairs, and dcKO-control pairs) biologically independent samples. (c) Western blot analysis of CRISPR/Cas9-mediated Fblim1 knockout. WT or dcKO primary keratinocytes were transduced with lentiviral vectors expressing FLAG tagged CRISPR/Cas9 and control gRNAs or gRNAs targeting *Fblim1*. *, non-specific bands. The Western blot image is available in Supplementary Figure 6. (d) Effect of ablation of *Fblim1* on migration. Graph quantifying relative areas the cells migrated normalized over the controls (WT cells expressing control gRNAs). Data are the mean \pm SD. n = 3 independent experiments, with 16-18 fields quantified per replicate. ***p<0.001, ns, not significant (Student's two-tailed *t*-test). (e) Immunochemical analysis of FSCN1 expression in E14.5 skin deficient of either Sox11 or Sox4. (f) Immunohistochemical analysis of FSCN1 expression at wound edge of Sox11- or Sox4-ablated and control skins 5 days post wounding. Epi, epidermis; Der, dermis; Es, eschar; LE, leading edge; GL, granulation layer. Scale bars, 20 µm (a, e), 50 µm (f). Images in panels e and f are representative of images from 3 experiments, reflecting the images detected through the plate of each sample (a), or the entire skin section of each sample (e and f). Source data for panel b-d are provided as a Source Data file.





Supplementary Figure 6. Unprocessed images of Western blots. Uncropped Western blot images of scanned immunoblots shown in Fig. 6 (a), Supplementary Figure 5 (b), and Fig. 9 (c).

Supplementary Table 1

Gene ID	Gene Symbol	E13.5 <i>vs</i> P4	WdEpi*
11568	Aebp1	3.34	3.36
100182	Akna	3.24	3.87
11792	Apex1	1.53	1.52
70350	Basp1	4.85	11.42
53314	Batf	2.81	7.97
381319	Batf3	2.21	7.48
320705	Bend6	4.40	5.33
66653	Brf2	1.51	1.52
12398	Cbfa2t3	1.92	7.83
13395	DIx5	2.24	2.01
18612	Etv4	2.09	2.78
14247	Fli1	1.88	8.50
57441	Gmnn	1.52	1.94
56198	Heyl	1.51	5.53
16909	Lmo2	1.82	5.93
94352	Loxl2	3.78	6.77
17095	Lyl1	3.20	3.52
17865	Mybl2	1.91	2.29
18102	Nme1	1.87	2.71
231602	P2rx2	4.88	3.82
18511	Pax9	1.86	5.14
59093	Pcbp3	2.17	2.55
18740	Pitx1	9.05	6.34
320795	Pkn1	6.70	3.26
18751	Prkcb	2.45	4.01
18933	Prrx1	3.15	8.29
19663	Rbpms	4.09	5.88
104383	Rcor2	2.09	1.80
20666	Sox11	13.68	6.10
22160	Twist1	3.59	7.06
13345	Twist2	14.06	6.35
21417	Zeb1	5.08	4.42

Supplementary Table 1. Relative expression level of transcription (co)factors upregulated in epidermal cells at E13.5 and the wound edge. The table shows the log2-fold change of the transcription factors and co-factors that are upregulated in epidermal cells at E13.5 (versus P4) and at the wound edge (WdEpi, versus unwounded). *, data from Ge *et al.* (2017)¹.

Cornified envelope genes increased in dcKO

Lelp1 (4.5)

Sprr family: 2a2 (3.9), 2d (3.2), 2h (2.3), 2k (1.6), 1b (1.8), IvI (2.6)

Lce family:1a1 (4.7),1b (24.7),1a2 (9.4),1c (13.2), 1d (6.7),1e (5.5),1f (5.9),1g (8.4),1h (14),1i (8.5), 1j (7.2), 1k (17.5), Kprp (9.5), 1l (11.1), 2310050C09Rik (20), 3b (1.8), 3c (1.9), 3d (1.9), 3e (1.8), Crct1 (2.2), 1m (18.1)

Flg2 (7.4), *Flg* (25.3), *Hrnr* (1.6), *Rptn* (1.8)

Supplementary Table 2. The cornified envelope genes are highly induced in dcKO epidermis at E16.5. The genes encoding cornified envelope proteins are located in the epidermal differentiation cluster (EDC) on mouse chromosome 3 (see Fig. 7d). The table shows the fold-changes of the differentially expressed EDC genes (FDR<0.05 and fold change>1.5, log2-fold change). The genes in bold font are bound by SOX11 and/or SOX4.

Supplementary Table 3

Gene ID	Gene Symbol	E13.5 <i>vs</i> P4	WdEpi*	dcKO E16.5 epi	dcKO keratinocytes	Cell Organization /Movement
16800	Arhgef2	2.31	1.81	-1.80	-2.13	Y
18612	ETV4	2.09	2.78	-1.65	-6.13	Y
14026	Evl	2.20	3.82	-2.11	-12.20	Y
223254	Farp1	1.63	2.11	-1.64	-4.20	Y
74202	Fblim1	5.22	8.25	-2.12	-7.25	Y
14086	Fscn1	2.53	6.20	-1.84	-7.94	Y
381633	Gm1673	15.49	3.80	-1.77	-2.29	Ν
14702	Gng2	4.33	5.27	-1.56	-8.77	Ν
224023	Klhl22	4.60	4.20	-1.80	-12.05	Y
16852	Lgals1	4.21	7.70	-2.18	-76.92	Y
67803	Limd2	5.36	3.02	-2.51	-3.48	Ν
17357	Marcksl1	5.52	1.96	-2.26	-5.99	Ν
18542	Pcolce	11.40	2.08	-3.32	-2.06	Ν
69675	Pxdn	6.70	1.71	-1.66	-41.67	Y
104383	Rcor2	2.09	1.80	-1.85	-3.09	Ν
26564	Ror2	3.71	3.74	-1.55	-8.20	Y
109232	Sccpdh	2.24	1.72	-1.83	-2.30	Ν
20317	Serpinf1	10.11	7.25	-2.08	-2.12	Y
218756	Slc4a7	2.29	1.72	-1.66	-2.46	Ν
20621	Snn	3.55	2.66	-1.82	-2.56	Ν
68875	Tmcc2	2.18	2.11	-1.60	-1.52	Ν
230157	Tmeff1	4.32	1.68	-1.72	-1.72	Ν
19240	Tmsb10	2.75	3.46	-2.45	-2.78	Y
13345	Twist2	14.06	6.35	-2.98	-7.14	Ν
13003	Vcan	4.62	3.33	-2.93	-15.63	Y
100072	Camta1	-5.92	-2.43	1.57	2.64	Ν
71884	Chit1	-13.89	-1.52	1.59	1.53	Ν
19419	Rasgrp1	-9.35	-3.52	1.54	7.49	Y
108116	Slco3a1	-6.62	-1.96	1.55	2.69	Ν

Supplementary Table 3. Relative expression level of genes up- or down-regulated in epidermal cells at E13.5 and the wound edge directly regulated by SOX11 and SOX4. The table shows the log2-fold of the differentially expressed genes that show direct binding to SOX11 and/or SOX4 and are overlapped between specified transcriptomes: epidermal development (E13.5 vs P4), E16.5 epidermis (dcKO E16.5 epi) or primary keratinocytes (dcKO keratinocytes), and wound edge (WdEpi). Genes are categorized as functionally involved in the biological processes related to cell organization/movement (Y) or not (N). *, data from Ge *et al.* (2017)¹.

Supplementary Table 4

Supplementary Table 4. Sequences of oligos

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Sox11_F_Xhol	gac c tcgagc ATGGTGCAGCAGGCCGAGAGCTC		
Sox11_R_Sful	aga ttcgaa ATACGTGAACACCAGGTCGGAGA	To pcDNA3.1	
Sox4_F_Xhol	gac c tcgagc ATGGTACAACAGACCAACAACG		
Sox4_R_Apal	ata gggccc GCGTAGGTGAAGACCAGGTTAGAGATG	To pcDNA3.1	
Sox4_F_HindIII	gac aagctt ACC ATGGTACAACAGACCAACAACG		
Sox4_R_EcoRV	ata gatatc GTAGGTGAAGACCAGGTTAGAGATG	To pENTR 1A	
Fscn1_F_HindIII	gac aagctt ACC ATGACCGCCAACGGCACGGC		
Fscn1_R_EcoRV	ata gatatc GTACTCCCAGAGTGAGGCGGGGTC	To pcDNA3.1	
Tead2_enh_Sall_F	tta gtcgac TTCTATCTGGGAGTCTACTCCCTTC		chr7: 52470841-52472571, 1731 bp
Tead2_enh_Sall_R	tta gtcgac AAGATCAGCAGCTACATATGGTATTGC	To pGL3-TATA	
<i>Fscn1_</i> enh_ <i>BamH</i> I_F	ata ggatcc CAGGATCGGGGTAGTAGATTATAAAG		chr5:143724688-143726687,
<i>Fscn1_</i> enh_ <i>BamH</i> I_R	ata ggatcc ACCATCAAGTGGAGGCCAGAAG	To pGL3-TATA	2000 bp
Fblim1_enh1_Xhol_F	ata ctcgag GGAGGGCAAATCAGACACCCAG		chr4:141154621-141156000, 1380 bp
Fblim1_enh1_Xhol_R	tct ctcgag GGTGCACCGTGGGGGTGGGCAG	To pGL3-TATA	
Fblim1_enh2_Xhol_F	ata ctcgag CTTTATATCCGTTCCAGACGGG		chr4:141130909-141131511, 603bp
Fblim1_enh2_Xhol_R	tct ctcgag GCGTTCAGCCGCTAGGGGGC	To pGL3-TATA	
Marcksl1_enh_Xhol_F	ata ctcgag GCTCCCCGGGGCGACGTGACC		chr4:129191095-129191672, 578bp
Marcksl1_enh_Xhol_R	tct ctcgag AGCACTACTGGGCGGGAAGCAG	TO POLO-TATA	
Pxdn_enh_BamHI_F	ata ggatcc ACCACCGTGCGCTGCATGCATCTG		chr12:30623122-30623658,
Pxdn_enh_BamHI_R	ata ggatcc TGATGTGGGGTGGGCATCCTTCC	TO PGL3-TATA	537bp

Primers for Cloning

Primers for real-time PCR

	Forward	Reverse
Mrpl19	AGAGGCAGGAGGGTTCCAAG	GGGCTTCATGAGACCACGAC
Hprt	CAGGCCAGACTTTGTTGGATT	TTGCGCTCATCTTAGGCTTT
Sox4	GATGCGTTTGGCATTTGTGT	TCTCCAGCTGCAAGGACAAG
Sox11	TTGGTGTCTCAGCATCCAACCAG	AGCCTGCCCTAAGCATCACTTC
Sox12	TCAGTTCTTCCTCGGCGCATTC	ACATTCACTGGACAAGGCAACG
Krt1	GGACATGGAGATTGCCACA	CTACTGCTTCCGCTCATGCT
Krt5	ATGAACCGAATGATCCAGAGG	AATGGCGTTCTGGAGGTTG
Dsg1a	AAGGGGATCCTGATGAAACC	CACGTGTGAATTGCTCCATC
Casp14	CCAACCTATACGGATACCCTCC	AGTCGGGTGATCTCTTCTGTC
Cdsn	CTGATGGCCGGTCTTATTCT	GCTGTTGGAGCCAGTCTTTC
Ivl	CCTGTGAGTTTGTTTGGTCTACA	GGATGTGGAGTTGGTTGCTT
Tincr	TGCCTGACCATCAGACAGTTC	TCCTTCAGCCAGCATCTTGT
Flg	GCAAGTGGTCAGGGAGGATAT	GGAACGATATACCTGGAGATGC
Lor	TCACTCATCTTCCCTGGTGCTT	GTCTTTCCACAACCCACAGGA
Lce1a	CACTTTAGACAAACCATTCAGGAGAA	CCAAGAAGACAAACCCAGCAA
Fblim1	TCTGCGAGAATCCCATCATC	CGGTAGGTTCCACAGACAGG
Fscn1	GGCGCCTACAACATCAAAGAC	CCACCTTGAGAGCCACCTT

Primers for genotyping

	Forward	Reverse	Product size
TRE-Sox11-3×FLAG	AGGACCTGGATTCCTTCAGC	AACTCACTTGTCATCGTCATCCT	212 bp

Primers for ChIP-qPCR

	Forward	Reverse
Tead2	ATGCCTGGGCTCTTTGTTCT	TGGGTGCCCATCAAACTTC
Tead2_negative site	CAACTTGTGGTGCATTCTGG	CAGTCAAACTCCCTGCTTCTG
Tubb3	GGGCCTGGGTTCTATTGTCC	CCCTCGCTGGCTGATGTAAG
Tubb3_negative site	TCAGCCTTGGTGACATAGGAA	GCTGGACGCCAAGTCTCTAC
lvl	GGAAACCATGACTAAGCCTCTG	ACAAGAATGGTGTCAGTCAACAAC
2310050C09Rik	AGTCACGTGTCAGCCTCCA	GGCAGGTCCAGAAATCCAG
Sprr2d	CCCAGATGCAGAACAGATGACT	GGCAGGTCCAGAAATCCAG
Flg2	TTGGTAAATGTAAGGGTGTGGTC	GCCTGGGTTAGAAATCTCTTGTG
S100a10	CCAGGAAAGCCAGACACATT	CCACACCCAAGGTCTCACA
EDC_Negative site 1	GAAGGACAGGCAAGAAAGAAGGT	CGCAGCTCTTTCAAGTGGTAATCT
EDC_Negative site 2	ACAAGAGCATGGCCTGTACCA	TACCCAGCTCCTTCTACTGCTTTC
EDC_Negative site 3	CCAAAGCTCCTATGCTTCCA	GTTCCACTGTTGGCTTTGCT
Fscn1	GCCTTGGTGGCCTCTTTATT	CCAACCTTCAACCTCCCAGT
Fblim1	GGAGGGCAAATCAGACACC	TCAGCCTCCTTCCTTCCTCT
Smad3	TTGTGGAGAAGGGCCAAA	CGGCTCTCTCTCTAACCACCT
Lfng	AGGCCAGCTGTATGGAAATG	CAGACAAAGGGACCCGAAG
Tmsb10	ACCCAGCCGAGGTAAGTTG	CCCAGCAGGAGATTCCATT
Lgals1	GGCCAGGTTCGCAGATTTAG	CGACTAGACCCAGCGAGGAA
Pxdn	GGGTACTGGTTTGGAGAGGTG	CGGGAGATTCCGAGTTTGA
Tes	CACTCCTCTTGGCCTGCTT	CTTGCACCCACTGGACTTCT
Nfe2l2	CACAAGTCTGTTAACCCAAAGCA	GGTGTAAGTCATGCGCCAGT
Negative_1	CACAGTTCCAGGGTTCCAGT	CTGCTCCTCACTGTCCTGCT
Negative_2	GGAGGCTGGCAGAGCAGTC	AGCCCTTCACAGTCCCTCCTA
Negative_3	CAAACAGCTAAGCCCAGGAA	GCAGCAGCAGCACAGAAA
Negative_4	TAGCTGGAAAGCCCAAATCA	ATCCATGCTCCCTTCTTGGA

Oligos for gRNA cloning

	Forward	Reverse
<i>Fscn1</i> , pair 1	caccg GTAGACCGCGACGTGCCTTG	aaac CAAGGCACGTCGCGGTCTAC c
<i>Fscn1</i> , pair 2	caccg TGCGAGCGCGAGGTGCCCGA	aaac TCGGGCACCTCGCGCTCGCA c
Fscn1, pair 3	caccg GCTACGCGCATCTGAGCGCG	aaac CGCGCTCAGATGCGCGTAGC c
<i>Fblim1</i> , pair 1	caccg AGGAGCCTCCTGTCTTACCA	aaac TGGTAAGACAGGAGGCTCCT c
<i>Fblim1</i> , pair 2	caccg GAGGCATTGGTCTTGCCAGA	aaac TCTGGCAAGACCAATGCCTC c
Fblim1, pair 3	caccg TTTGTGGGAAGCATCTCCCA	aaac TGGGAGATGCTTCCCACAAA c
Control, pair 1	caccg GCACTACCAGAGCTAACTCA	aaac TGAGTTAGCTCTGGTAGTGC c
Control, pair 2	caccg GTCTCCACGCGCAGTACATT	aaac AATGTACTGCGCGTGGAGAC c

SUPPLEMENTARY REFERENCES

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