Supplementary Materials



Fig. S1 The overexpression or interference efficiency of CDK18 OE and CDK18i viruses.

A Quantitative PCR assay of mRNA level of *CDK18* in purified OPCs transducted with CDK18 OE viruses or CDK18i viruses and control virus. Results are expressed as mean \pm SEM. Student's *t*-test: **P*< 0.05, ** *P* < 0.01, ****P*< 0.001. *n*=4 independent experiments.



Fig. S2 CDK18 does not affect OPCs proliferation and survival.

A Representative images showing BrdU immunocytofluorescence staining (red) of CDK18 OE and CDK18i virus transducted OPCs (Green). **B** Representative images showing Caspase3 immunocytofluorescence staining (red) in CDK18 OE and CDK18i virus transducted OPCs (Green). **C** Quantitative analysis of the percentage of BrdU+GFP+ cells in all GFP+ cells in indicated conditions in A, Data are normalized to control. **D** Quantitative analysis of the percentage of Caspase3+GFP+ cells in all GFP+ cells in indicated conditions in B, Data are normalized to control. Results are expressed as mean \pm SEM. Student's *t*-test. Scale bar, 20 µm. *n*=3 independent experiments.



Fig. S3 The effects of CDK18 OE and CDK18i virus on P-mTOR expression, and the effects of Erk1/2 inhibitor on CDK18 expression.

A, **B** Representative western blotting figure(**A**) and statistical analysis(**B**) of the expression of P-mTOR and mTOR in purified OPCs transducted with CDK18 OE or CDK18i virus and control viruses. **C**, **D** Representative western blotting figure(**C**) and statistical analysis(**D**) of the effect of Erk1/2 inhibitor U0126 (10nmol/L) on the expression of P-Erk1/2, Erk1/2 and CDK18 protein level in purified OPCs cultured in differentiation medium for 72 h. Results are expressed as mean \pm SEM. Student's *t*-test. *n*=3 independent experiments.