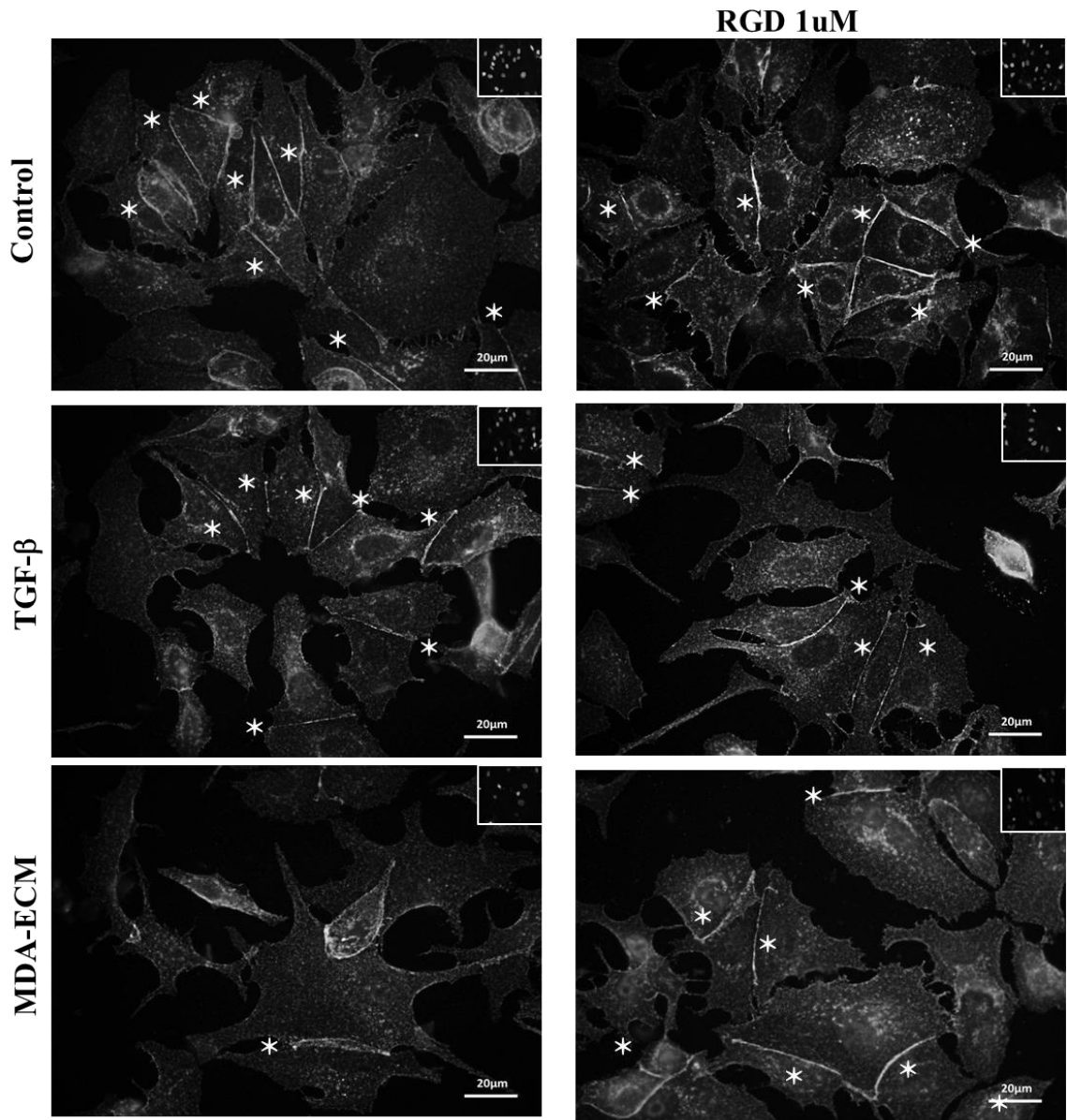


Figure S1. Inhibition of TGF- β receptor decreased TGF- β canonical signaling pathway and recovered epithelial morphology. **(A)** MCF-7 cells were cultured in standard conditions for 72 h with or without TGF- β 1 and in the presence or absence of the TGF- β receptor inhibitor SB431542 (15 μ g/mL). Cell morphology was analyzed and representative images were obtained at 40x magnification. Scale bar: 10 μ m. **(B)** MCF-7 cells lysates were immunoblotted with anti-p-SMAD2 and anti-SMAD2 antibodies. The results are shown as the mean fold increase relative to the control ($*p < 0.05$); MCF-7 cells treated with TGF- β ($\#p < 0.05$) calculated from 3 individual experiments.

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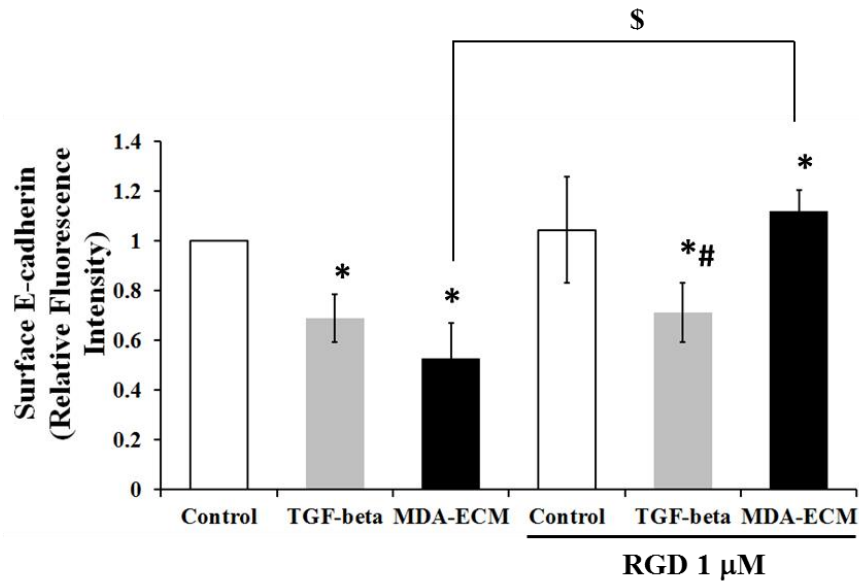


Figure S2. Integrin signaling modulates E-cadherin-mediated adhesion of MCF-7 cells cultured on MDA-ECM in presence of RGD peptide. MCF-ECM and MDA-ECM were obtained as described in the Methods section. MCF-7 cells were cultured on their own ECM with or without TGF- β 1 or on MDA-ECM and treated with RGD for 72 h (1 μ M). **(A)** Effect of RGD treatment on E-cadherin expression and localization in MCF-7 cells cultured on MDA-ECM or MCF-ECM with or without TGF- β 1. Representative images were captured on fluorescence microscopy at 60x magnification. (Asterisks: E-cadherin-mediated cell-cell contacts). Scale bar: 20 μ m. **(B)** Representative graph showing the relative fluorescence intensity of E-cadherin in intercellular junctions. The results are shown as the mean fold increase relative to controls: MCF-ECM (* p < 0.05); MCF-ECM + RGD (# p < 0.05) and MDA-ECM (\$ p < 0.05).