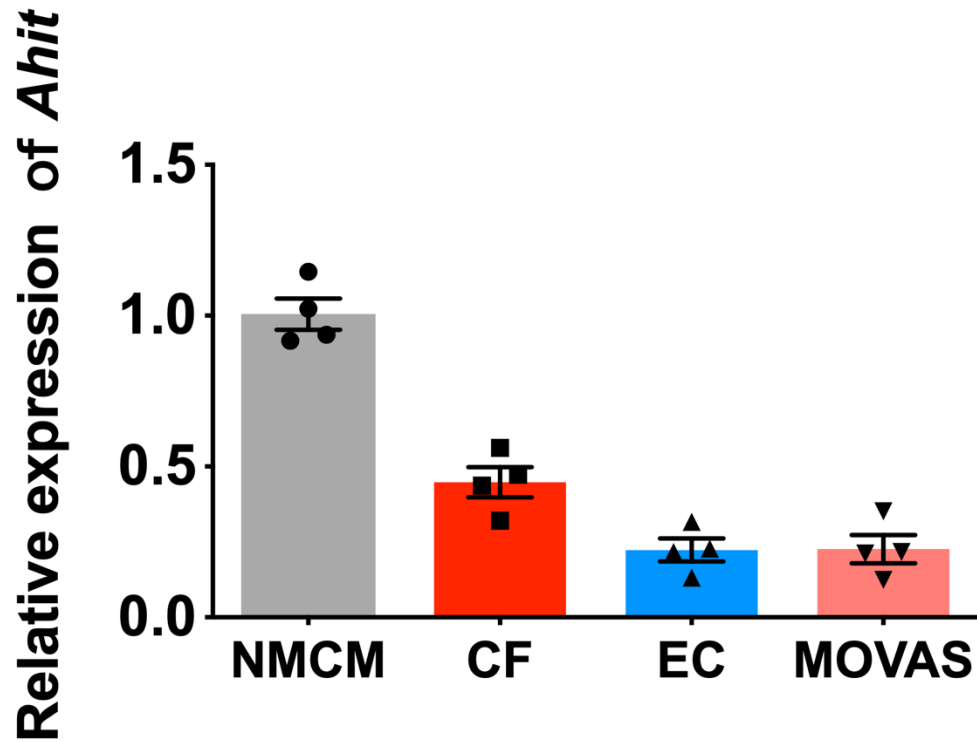
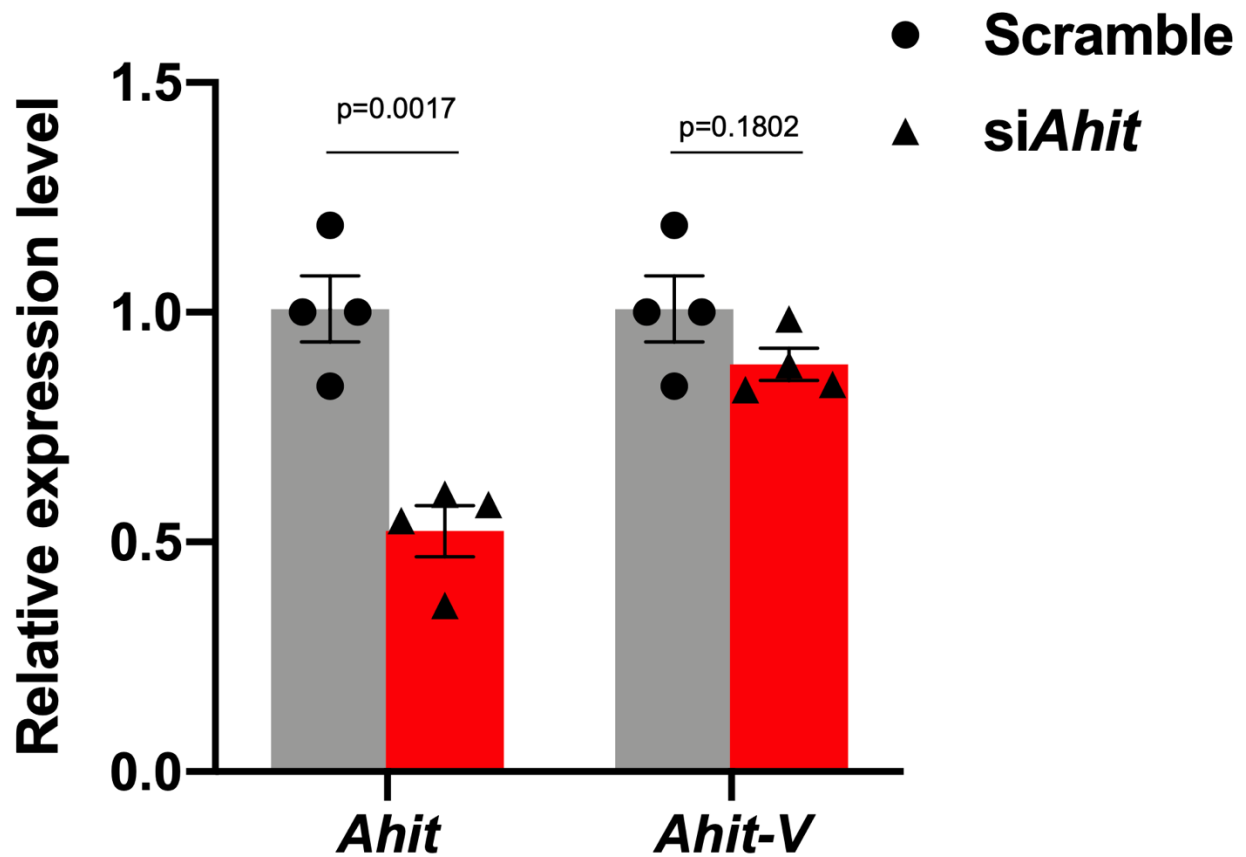


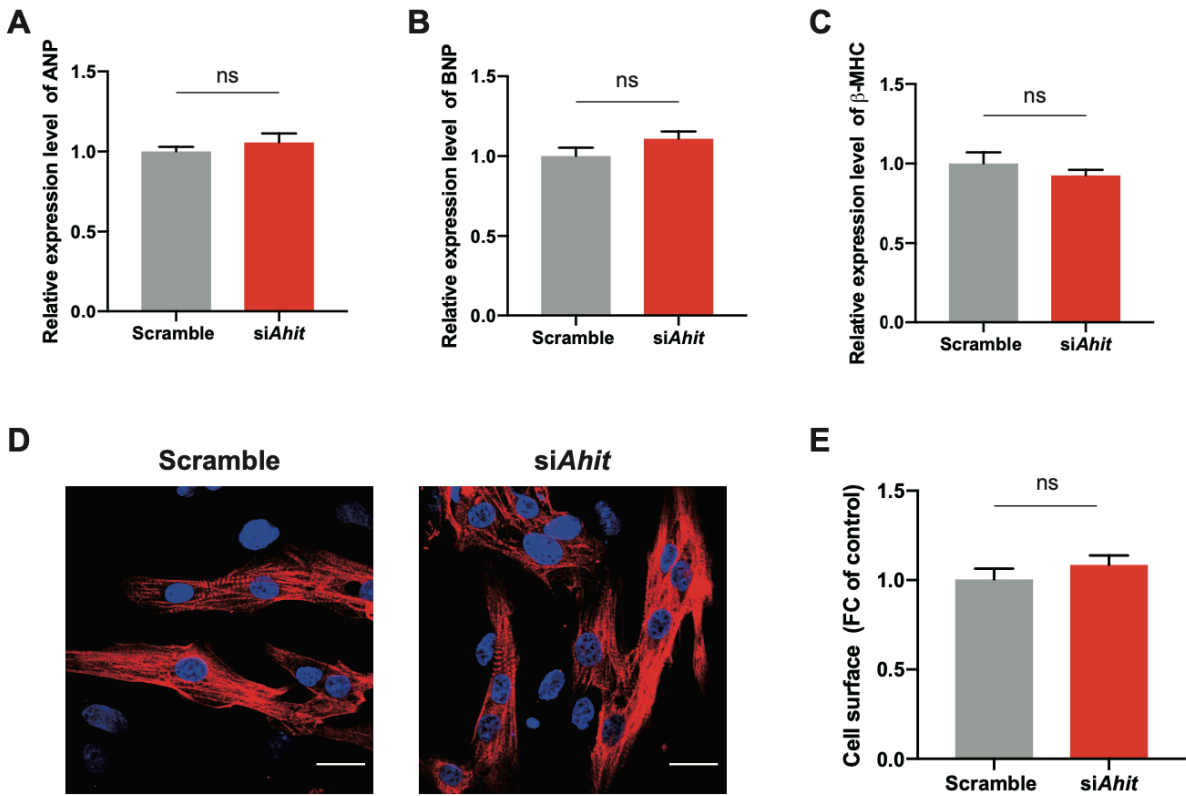
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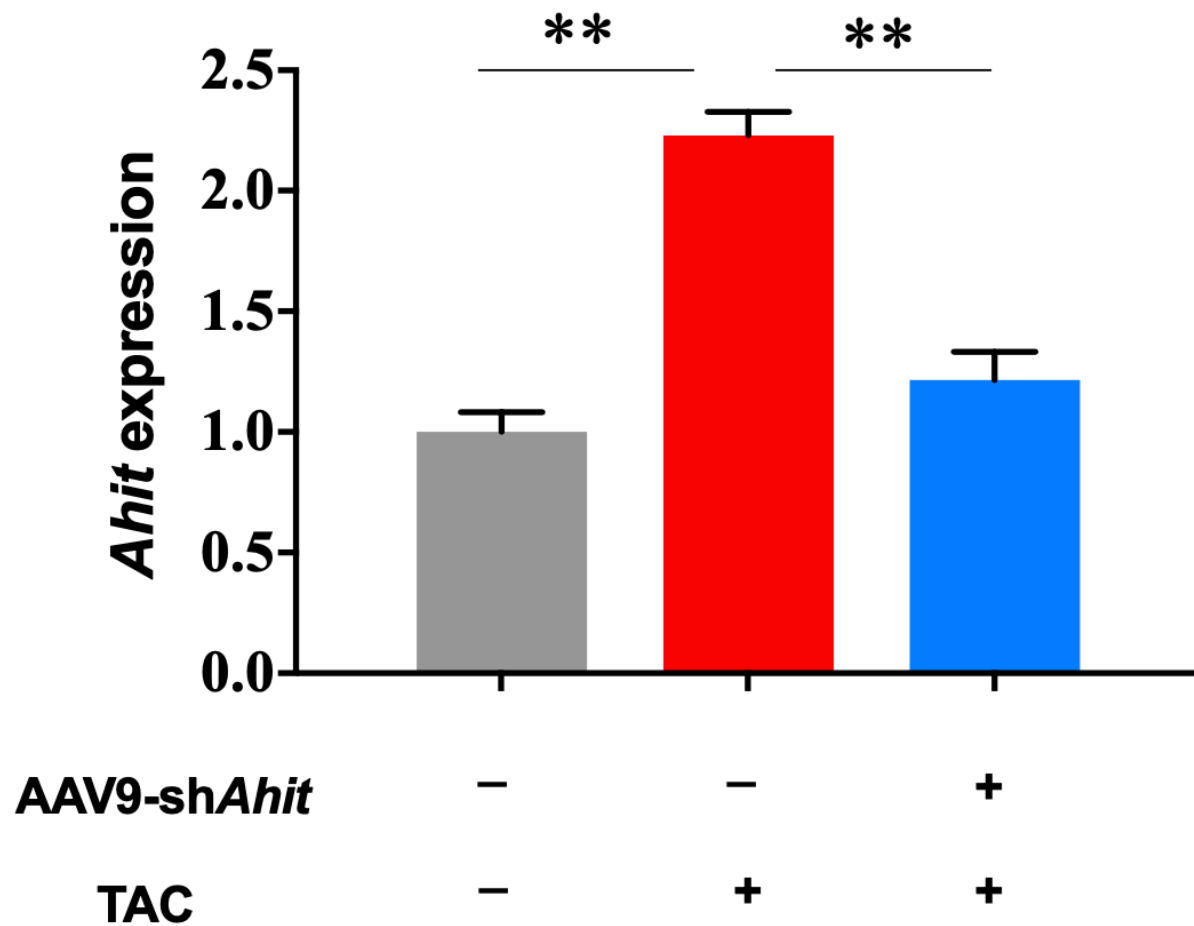
Supplementary Figure 1. The *Ahit* expressions in cardiomyocytes and other cell types. NMCM: Neonatal Mouse Cardiomyocytes; CF: Cardiac fibroblasts; EC: Endothelial cells; MOVAS: Mouse aortic vascular smooth muscle cells ($n=3$, normalized with GAPDH). Data are shown as mean \pm SEM.



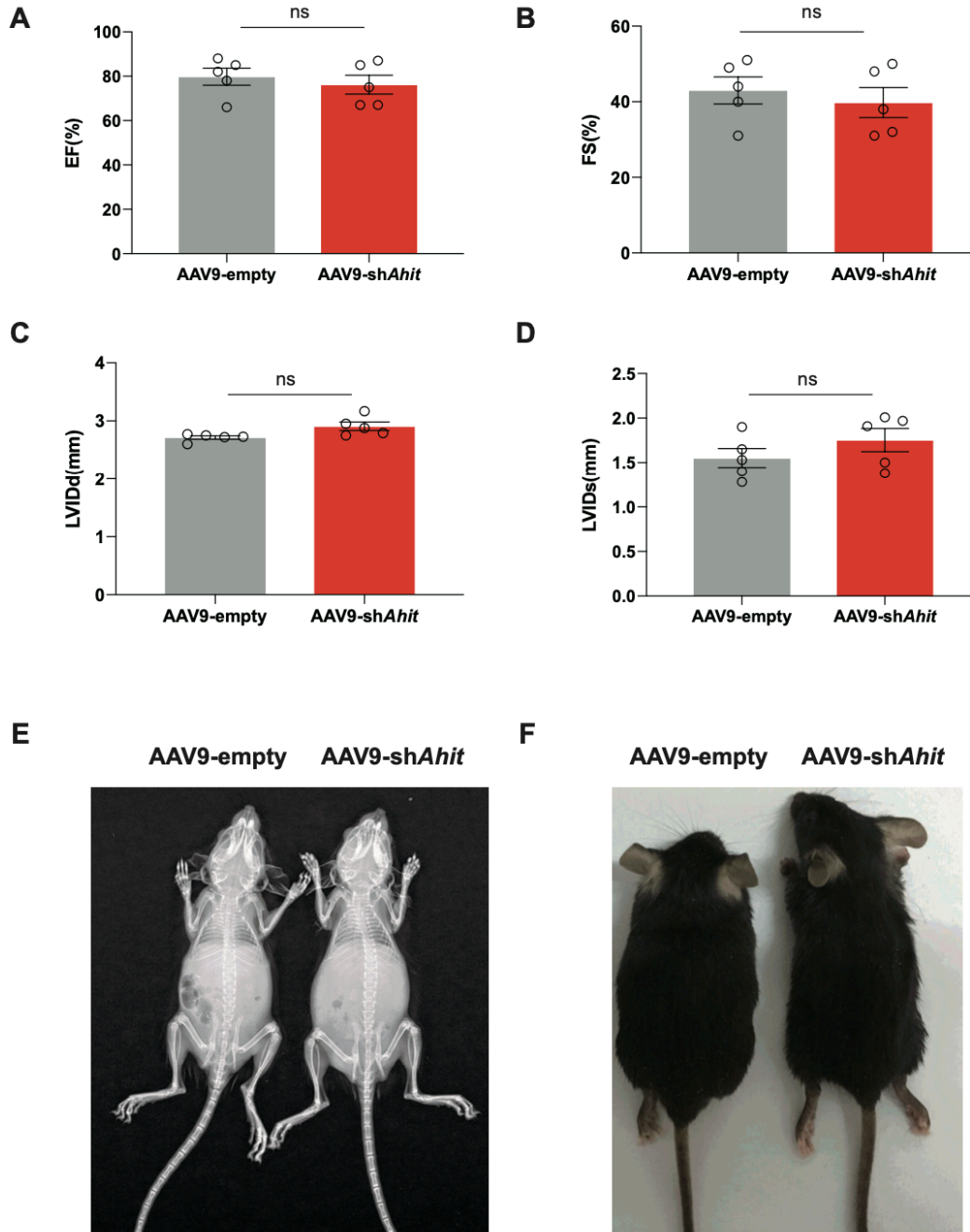
Supplementary Figure 2. The expression of *Ahit* and *Ahit-V* in NRCMs with *Ahit* knockdown. NRCMs were transfected with siRNA targeting *Ahit* (si*Ahit*) or scramble for 24 h, and analyzed by qRT-PCR ($n=3$, Student's t-test). Data are shown as mean \pm SEM.



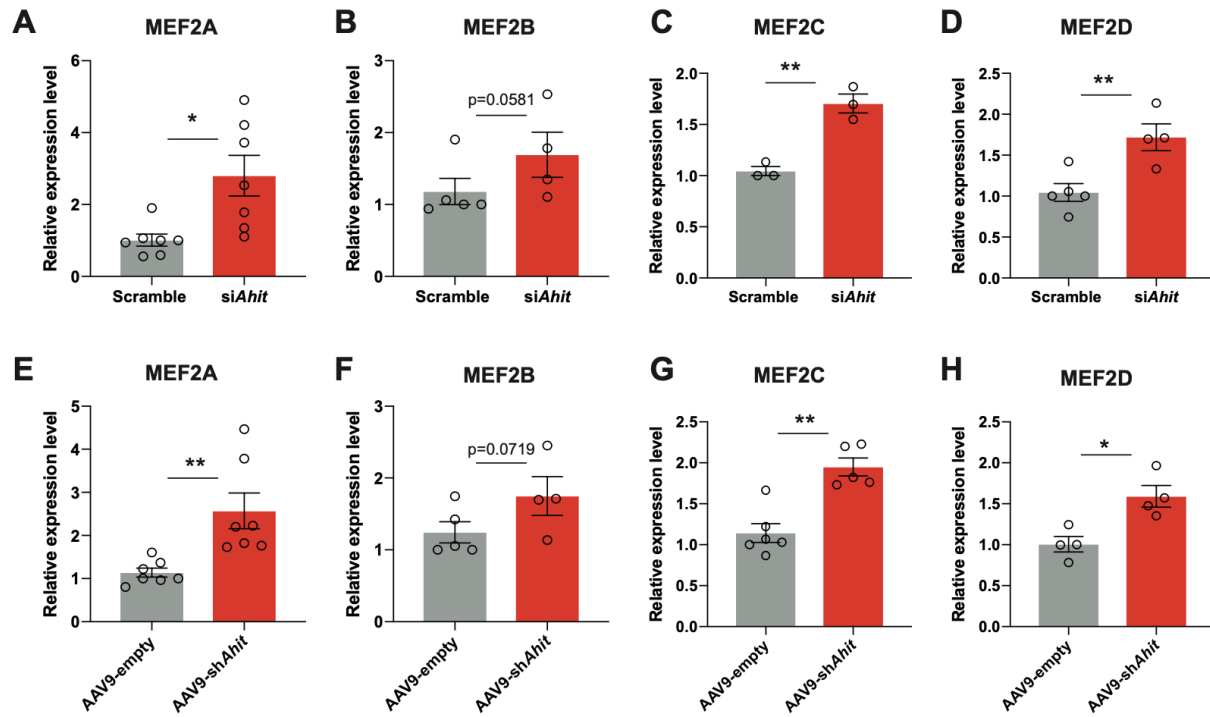
Supplementary Figure 3. The effect of siAhit on cellular and molecular phenotype of NRCMs without hypertrophic stimulation. A-C. The mRNA expressions of hypertrophy marker genes ANP (**A**), BNP (**B**), and β -MHC (**C**) after *Ahit* knockdown ($n=3$ /group). **D.** Cellular phenotype and fold-change of the cell surface area after *Ahit* knockdown. (4 slides/group with 10 fields/slide) Data are shown as mean \pm SEM.



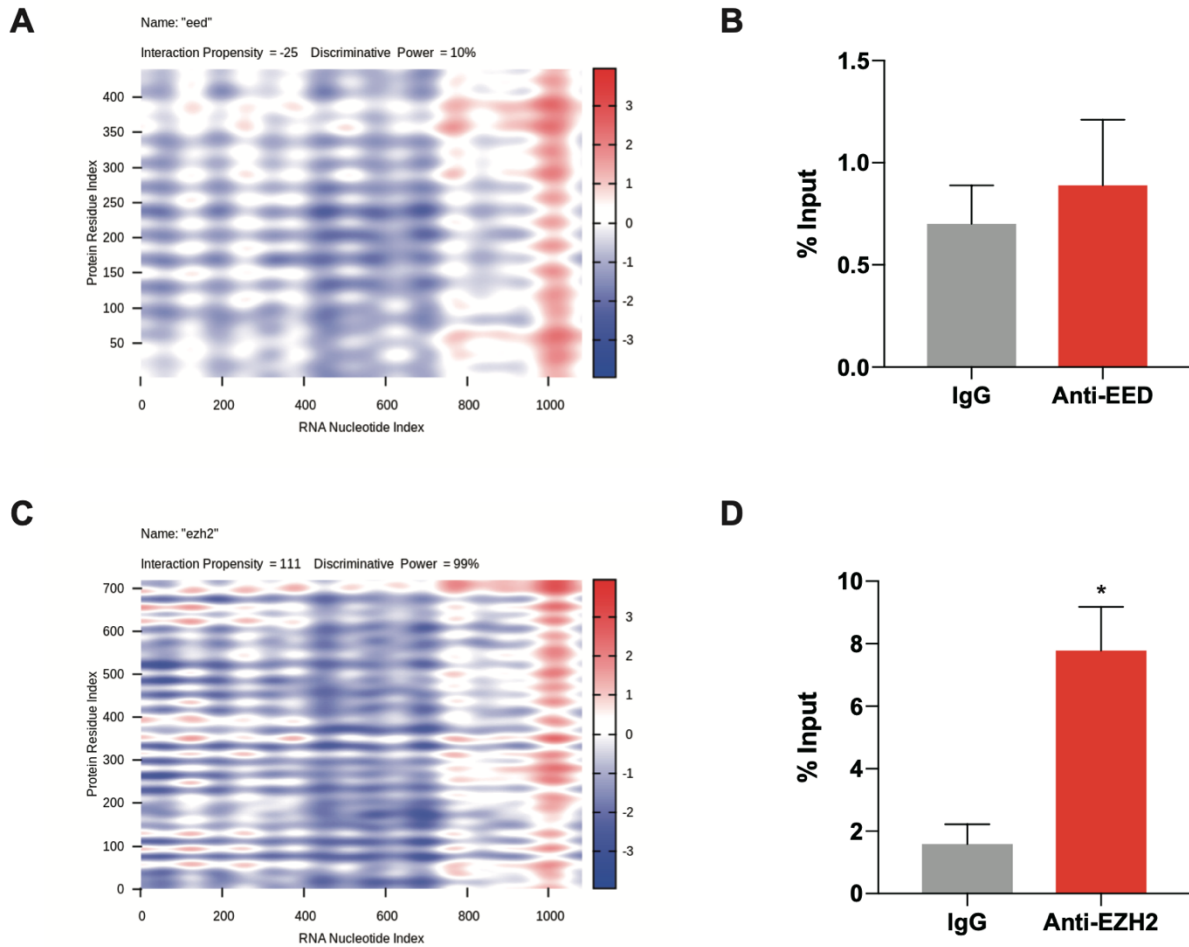
Supplementary Figure 4. The *Ahit* expression in AAV-sh*Ahit* and AAV-empty mouse heart after TAC. The result was detected with qRT-PCR in sham, TAC with AAV9-empty, and TAC with AAV9-sh*Ahit* ($n=3$, $**P < 0.01$ versus the sham group, one-way ANOVA, Holm-Sidak test). Data are shown as mean±SEM.



Supplementary Figure 5. Basic cardiac function and growth of mice injected with AAV9-empty and shAhit. **A-D.** Echocardiography analyses of cardiac function between the two groups. EF: Left ventricular ejection fraction; FS: Fractional shortening; LVIDd: Left ventricular internal dimension at end-diastole; LVIDs: Left ventricular internal dimension at end-systolic pressure ($n=5$ /group). **E and F.** X-ray (**E**) and gross appearance (**F**) of the two groups of mice.



Supplementary Figure 6. The expressions of the MEF2 family genes, MEF2A, MEF2B, MEF2C, and MEF2D, after *Ahit* knock-down *in vitro* and *in vivo*. A-D, qRT-PCR analysis of MEF2A (A), MEF2B (B), MEF2C (C), and MEF2D (D) expressions in the NMCMs transfected with *Ahit* or scramble siRNA ($n=3$, $*P < 0.05$; $**P < 0.01$ versus scramble, Student's t-test). E-H, Cardiac *in vivo* expression of MEF2A (E), MEF2B (F), MEF2C (G), and MEF2D (H) in AAV9-shAhit infected mice detected by qRT-PCR ($n=5$, $*P < 0.05$; $**P < 0.01$ versus AAV9-empty, Student's t-test). All data are shown as the mean \pm SEM.



Supplementary Figure 7. Interaction between *Ahit* and other PRC2 components. **A and C.** Online prediction between *Ahit* and EED (**A**), *Ahit* and EZH2 (**C**) on catRAPID website. **B and D.** RNA immunoprecipitation (RIP) of EED and *Ahit* (**B**), EZH2 and *Ahit* (**D**) in NMCMs. Bars represent fold-enrichment of *Ahit* immunoprecipitated by specific EED or EZH2 antibody or anti-IgG ($n=4$. $*P < 0.05$ versus IgG, Student's t-test). Data are shown as mean \pm SEM.

Supplementary Table 1. Patients' conditions**Control patients**

Gender	Age	Blood pressure (mmHg)	cardiac hypertrophy
Female	72	115/87	-
Female	72	114/76	-
Female	74	112/73	-
Female	65	128/86	-
Female	76	107/60	-
Female	64	110/67	-
Female	75	110/64	-
Male	71	139/84	-
Male	64	145/80	-
Male	75	128/80	-
Male	70	125/80	-
Male	18	109/63	-
Male	25	101/60	-
Male	69	125/88	-
Male	64	115/75	-

Hypertensive heart disease patients

Gender	Age	Blood pressure (mmHg)	cardiac hypertrophy
Female	72	190/110	+
Female	73	170/100	+
Female	78	180/95	+
Female	91	190/110	+
Female	74	180/100	+
Female	82	215/90	+
Male	74	185/115	+
Male	84	126/88	+
Male	69	126/76	+
Male	68	175/105	+
Male	68	105/65	+

Supplementary Table 2. Primers list

Gene	Species	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
ANP	Rattus norvegicus	TGAGCCGAGACAGCAAACAT	CAATATGGCCTGGGAGCCAA
BNP	Rattus norvegicus	CAGAAGCTGCTGGAGCTGATA	GGCGTGTCTTGAGACCTAA
β-MHC	Rattus norvegicus	CCGAGTCCCAGGTCAACAAG	CTGGAGCTGGGTAGCACAA
GAPDH	Rattus norvegicus	GCCCAGCAAGGATACTGAGA	GATGGTATTTCGAGAGAAGGGAGG
Ahū	Rattus norvegicus	CGGAATGGGTCTGGAATGGT	TGGAACAAGCGGACGTAACA
MEF2A	Mus musculus	GAAAGCAGGACGAACCTCGGA	AGTATCAGGGTCTGGGCTGT
Neat1	Mus musculus	ACCTTTTTTCATGGGGGTAG	GCTGGATGGAGGCTTGTTA
18S	Mus musculus	CGCGGTTCATTTTGTGGT	AGTCGGCATCGTTTATGGTC
snoRNA	Mus musculus	CAGAGTAGCGAGGACTTGAAGAG	GCTGGTTCGTCTATCTTGTGGG
Ahū-V	Mus musculus	ACGGTGCCTTACTGACACAC	ATTGCTCTGGCTGTAGGGTG
Ahū	Mus musculus	ACCCAAGGAAAACCTGTTGA	GAACCTAACGGGGAAGTGCGA
GAPDH	Mus musculus	CCACTCTCCACCTTCGATG	CCACCACCTGTTGTGT A
Ahū-P1	Mus musculus	AGGCAAGCATGAACCTGTCA	AGGGACCCTAATGACCTCCC
Ahū-P2	Mus musculus	TGTCGGCTTCTCTTGGAGC	ATGGCTCCTAGGTGGTCAGT
Ahū-P3	Mus musculus	AAGTGTGGGAGGCCACTATG	TCCAGTGACTCCTCCAGGTA
Ahū-P4	Mus musculus	GCTTGGGGAACCAGCATTG	TGAAGCGACCCACTTTCCTC
Ahū-P5	Mus musculus	GGGCTCTTCTCCCATTC	CTGGTAAACAACCCGCAGGA

Supplementary Table 3. The top 20 up-regulated ncRNAs

Probe Set ID	lncRNA	P-value	FDR	Fold-change	style	TAC 2W1	TAC 2W2	TAC 2W3	sham 1	sham 2	sham 3
17432861	Gm13054-00	0.0000508	0.00097	2.34	up	7.19917	6.773957	6.816598	5.560976	5.877608	5.664166
17492031	4833412C05	0.0005493	0.00299	2.24	up	4.328189	5.020806	4.439967	3.646907	3.165509	3.179484
17284354	Ighv1-47-20	0.0074278	0.0161	2.15	up	5.825106	5.24115	6.155831	4.950842	4.104911	4.854156
17284356	Ighv1-54-20	0.0012106	0.0046	2.13	up	5.61173	5.252519	6.013564	4.68402	4.254404	4.658948
17497783	Gm22019-20	0.0030595	0.00839	2.12	up	5.383635	5.495275	4.878191	4.079642	4.626595	3.794038
17249829	LOC100862	0.0013807	0.00496	2.05	up	7.419577	6.675532	6.859843	6.122295	5.994383	5.731214
17225169	Snora75	0.0194548	0.0343	1.98	up	4.306142	5.289876	4.224824	3.273994	4.100536	3.433555
17458677	Gm20297	0.0011527	0.00452	1.95	up	4.099085	4.731099	4.024061	2.514409	2.701237	2.66096
17278757	Gm24564-20	0.0025984	0.00747	1.93	up	4.576254	4.576254	4.859112	3.26167	4.157985	3.678313
17288107	Mir27b	0.0005297	0.0029	1.89	up	4.773398	4.971069	4.728637	3.580769	4.112498	4.034415
17260931	Mir1933	0.0060548	0.0138	1.83	up	4.354985	4.603126	3.663538	3.297647	3.308748	3.368515
17284314	Ighv7-3-201	0.0050719	0.012	1.79	up	4.4392	4.598856	4.835496	4.090337	3.048213	3.937337
17288105	Mir23b	0.0439697	0.0652	1.79	up	4.857151	5.34798	4.711966	3.345747	4.49321	4.564165
17491596	Snord116	0.030266	0.0483	1.77	up	4.022402	5.039968	5.034625	3.954946	4.161333	3.51315
17457804	LOC665506	0.0369548	0.0572	1.75	up	6.074794	6.293189	6.069461	6.027606	4.650615	5.32629
17459415	Igk-V28	0.0000082	0.000615	1.72	up	7.3159	7.30661	7.331053	6.449608	6.556776	6.597958
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17491537	Gm26504	0.0416898	0.0624	1.7	up	4.03064	5.026043	5.102505	4.012105	4.249637	3.607674
17344140	D17H6S56E	0.0011994	0.00458	1.7	up	5.237349	4.858284	5.400797	4.297372	4.523228	4.382611
17464530	Gm20559	0.0132643	0.0253	1.7	up	7.034883	7.417033	7.005577	6.900485	6.046176	6.220438

