

Figure S6. Sufu controls SMC gene expression and GLI1 cellular location.

(A) SMC gene expression is negatively regulated by Sufu. AdSPCs (p3~p8) were infected with control (pCDH) or Sufu over-expression (pCDH-Sufu) lentivirus and cultured in iSMC differentiation induction medium for 2~3 days. The expression levels of a panel of SMC specific genes was examined by RT-qPCR analysis. (B) Sufu over-expression inhibited SMC gene promoter activity. AdSPCs infected with pCDH or pCDH-Sufu were transfected with SMC gene promoter reporters (pGL3-SMαA or SM22α) as indicated. Luciferase activity assays were conducted at 48 hours post-transfection. (C) GLI1 gene expression was not affected by Sufu over-expression. (D) Sufu knockdown promotes GLI1 protein accumulation in nuclei. AdSPCs were infected with non-target (sh-NT) or Sufu (sh-Sufu) shRNA lentivirus, followed by iSMC differentiation. Cells were fixed and subjected to immunofluorescence staining with GLI1 antibody. Data presented here are representative images (D) or Mean±S.E.M of five or six independent experiments (n=5 or 6, unpaired t-test).