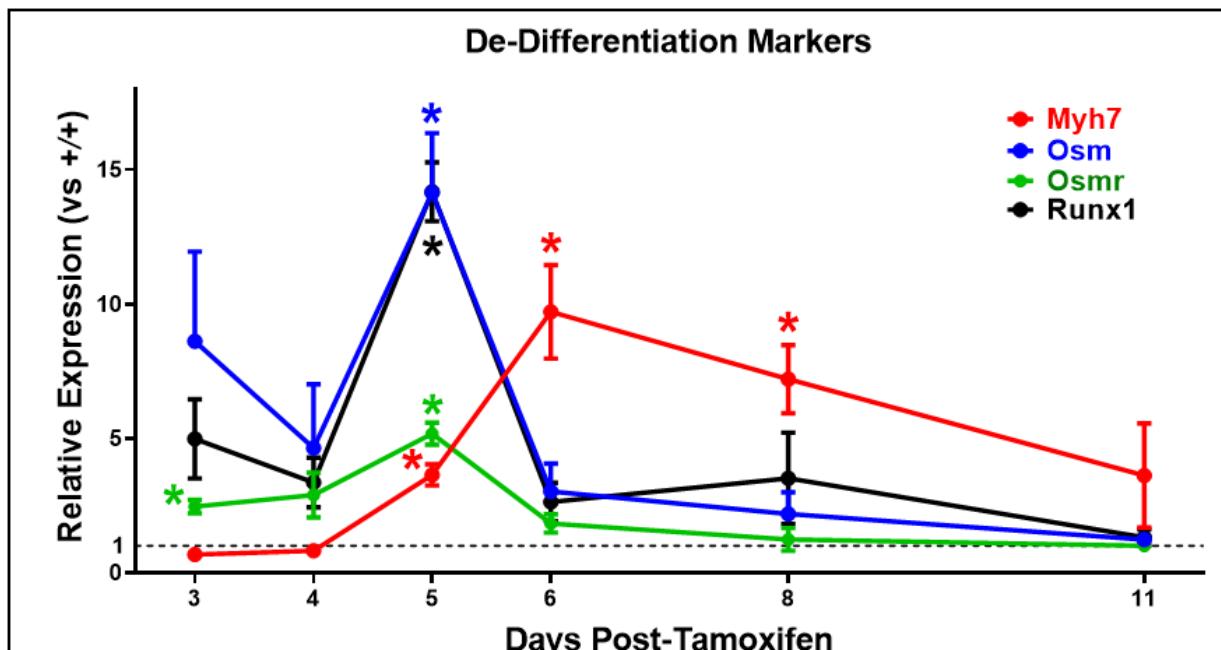
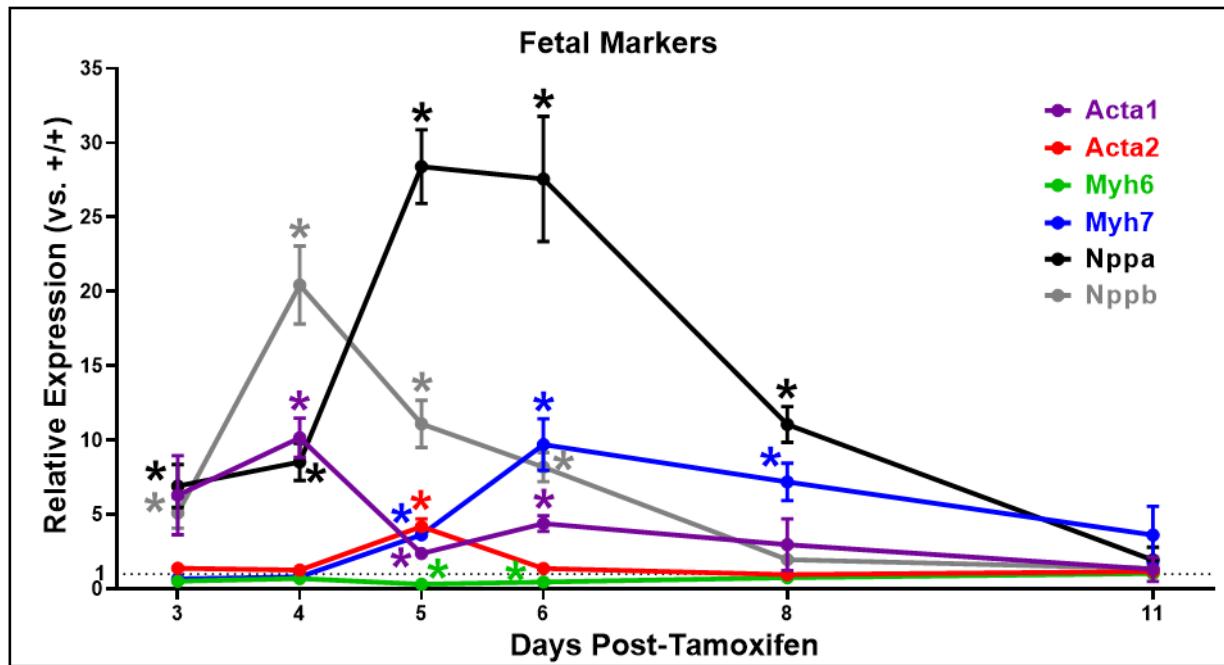


**Figure S1. Echocardiographic assessments showing effects of activated merCremer in the absence of loxP sites.** Adult 10-14 week-old naïve wild-type (+/+) mice ( $n=4$ ), and mice ( $n=6$ ) expressing a tamoxifen-induced merCremer-recombinase transgene (+/+;Myh6-merCremer), were injected with tamoxifen (40 mg/kg) on three consecutive days followed by echocardiographic assessment of the left ventricle. \* $P < 0.05$  vs +/++; † $P < 0.05$  vs baseline value (day 0).



**Figure S2.** qPCR determinations show induction of de-differentiation marker genes following tamoxifen-induced activation of *merCremer*. Colored lines denote expression of each gene in *+/-;Myh6-merCremer* hearts, relative to expression in *+/+* wild-type controls at Y=1 (broken line). Expression of each gene was normalized to *Gapdh*. N=3 hearts per timepoint; \*P < 0.05 versus *+/+*.



**Figure S3. qPCR determinations show induction of fetal gene markers following tamoxifen-induced activation of *merCremer*.** Colored lines denote expression of each gene in  $+/+;Myh6\text{-}merCremer$  hearts, relative to expression in  $+/+$  wild-type controls at Y=1 (broken line). Expression of each gene was normalized to *Gapdh*. N=3 hearts per timepoint; \*P < 0.05 versus  $+/+$ .

**Table S1.**  $\Delta Cq$  (relative to Gapdh) of DNA Damage Markers in +/+ Wild-type Controls & +/++;*Myh6-merCremer* Hearts (data are presented as means  $\pm$ SEM)

Gene	+/+					
	Days Post-Tamoxifen (N = 3 per timepoint)					
	3	4	5	6	8	11
Bax	7.54 $\pm$ 0.16	7.14 $\pm$ 0.30	7.67 $\pm$ 0.07	7.16 $\pm$ 0.18	7.32 $\pm$ 0.13	7.06 $\pm$ 0.14
Brca1	16.45 $\pm$ 0.11	15.95 $\pm$ 0.38	15.69 $\pm$ 0.01	15.68 $\pm$ 0.21	15.19 $\pm$ 0.25	15.40 $\pm$ 0.30
P53	8.71 $\pm$ 0.10	8.70 $\pm$ 0.37	9.50 $\pm$ 0.20	8.84 $\pm$ 0.37	8.45 $\pm$ 0.21	8.36 $\pm$ 0.23
Vcam1	8.20 $\pm$ 0.28	7.92 $\pm$ 0.29	8.49 $\pm$ 0.10	7.91 $\pm$ 0.27	7.87 $\pm$ 0.08	7.61 $\pm$ 0.16
Wee1	8.89 $\pm$ 0.38	8.33 $\pm$ 0.02	8.64 $\pm$ 0.10	8.47 $\pm$ 0.06	9.00 $\pm$ 0.28	8.94 $\pm$ 0.04

Gene	+/+; <i>Myh6-merCremer</i>					
	Days Post-Tamoxifen (N = 3 per timepoint)					
	3	4	5	6	8	11
Bax	6.24 $\pm$ 0.17	6.11 $\pm$ 0.66	5.82 $\pm$ 0.16	6.65 $\pm$ 0.25	7.14 $\pm$ 0.08	7.13 $\pm$ 0.20
Brca1	14.22 $\pm$ 0.44	13.15 $\pm$ 1.44	10.82 $\pm$ 0.21	13.10 $\pm$ 1.01	13.51 $\pm$ 0.70	14.91 $\pm$ 0.25
P53	7.81 $\pm$ 0.24	7.96 $\pm$ 0.86	7.22 $\pm$ 0.16	8.35 $\pm$ 0.45	8.14 $\pm$ 0.21	8.57 $\pm$ 0.24
Vcam1	7.79 $\pm$ 0.29	7.27 $\pm$ 0.68	6.39 $\pm$ 0.33	7.50 $\pm$ 0.19	7.45 $\pm$ 0.27	7.53 $\pm$ 0.19
Wee1	8.61 $\pm$ 0.33	8.42 $\pm$ 0.36	7.89 $\pm$ .14	8.57 $\pm$ 0.15	8.95 $\pm$ 0.57	8.57 $\pm$ 0.14

	Baseline		3 days-post-MI		10 days-post-MI		21 days-post-MI		28 days-post-MI	
	+/ N=5	+/ <i>Myh6- merCremer</i> N=5	+/ N=5	+/ <i>Myh6- merCremer</i> N=5	+/ N=5	+/ <i>Myh6- merCremer</i> N=5	+/ N=5	+/ <i>Myh6- merCremer</i> N=5	+/ N=5	+/ <i>Myh6- merCremer</i> N=5
LVAW d (mm)	0.62±0.03	0.62±0.03	0.79±0.02†	0.70±0.07	0.68±0.02	0.57±0.03	0.63±0.05	0.55±0.02	0.60±0.04	0.53±0.03
LVAW s (mm)	0.82±0.03	0.85±0.03	0.92±0.03	0.78±0.08	0.85±0.03	0.64±0.04*†	0.73±0.07	0.64±0.04†	0.70±0.05	0.61±0.03†
LVPW d (mm)	0.60±0.02	0.62±0.03	0.73±0.40	0.71±0.07	0.68±0.03	0.28±0.05	0.62±0.03	0.59±0.04	0.64±0.03	0.56±0.06
LVPW s (mm)	0.82±0.03	0.85±0.02	0.91±0.02	0.82±0.08	0.91±0.01	0.66±0.07*†	0.77±0.04	0.65±0.06†	0.82±0.04	0.68±0.08
LVID d (mm)	3.83±0.14	4.22±0.20	3.94±0.19	4.64±0.24	4.47±0.11	5.54±0.37*†	4.63±0.19	5.92±0.39*†	4.76±0.13†	6.02±0.37*†
LVID s (mm)	2.89±0.16	3.16±0.24	3.16±0.17	4.10±0.24	3.51±0.06	5.09±0.42*†	3.86±0.22	5.45±0.43*†	4.05±0.15†	5.58±0.39*†
FS (%)	24.7±1.8	25.4±2.3	19.5±2.8	11.6±1.9*†	21.4±1.5	8.4±1.6*†	16.8±2.4†	8.4±1.5*†	14.9±2.2†	7.6±1.3†
LV vol, d (µl)	61.5±4.3	77.9±9.0	68.6±3.6	91.6±8.7	83.0±6.7	137.2±13.0*†	89.7±11.3	167.5±19.2*†	99.3±8.9	165.8±19.2*†
LV vol, s (µl)	37.0±2.7	46.5±5.4	49.6±2.1	66.4±6.5	60.7±4.5	117.3±13.1*†	65.2±8.2	145.8±19.4*†	74.3±6.7†	144.2±17.7*†
EF (%)	39.9±0.3	40.4±0.2	27.6±0.9†	27.6±0.5†	26.6±0.7†	15.3±2.2*†	27.2±0.5†	14.1±2.6*†	25.1±1.0†	13.2±2.0*†
MPI	0.33±0.02	0.34±0.01	0.45±0.02†	0.46±0.01†	0.36±0.03	0.49±0.02*†	0.43±0.04†	0.48±0.02†	0.47±0.03†	0.47±0.02†
HR (bpm)	370±10	374±11	439±4†	418±13	385±28	429±2	364±22	425±30	374±14	416±20

**Table S2: Echocardiographic assessment of infarcted +/+ and +/*Myh6-  
merCremer* mice.** \*P<0.05 vs. +/+ and †P<0.05 vs. baseline (Day 0).

<b>Table S3. Primers &amp; Taqman Probe Kits</b>		
<b>for PCR Genotyping</b>		
Transgene	Sequence	Amplicon (bp)
<i>Myh6- merCremer</i>	FWD 5'-ATACCGGAGATCATGCAAGC-3' REV 5'-AGGTGGACCTGATCATGGAG-3'	440 bp
Cycling Details: 94°C 5 min, then 35 cycles of 94°C 30sec/61°C 45sec/72°C 45sec, then 72°C 10 min		
<b>for Taqman qRT-PCR</b>		
Gene Target	<b>Thermo-Fisher catalog #</b>	
<b>Normalizers</b>		
Gapdh	Mm99999915_g1	
<b>Cell-Cycle Activation Markers</b>		
Ccna2 (Cyclin A2)	Mm00438063_m1	
Ccnb1 (Cyclin B1)	Mm03053893_gH	
Cdk1	Mm00772472_m1	
Ccnd1 (Cyclin D1)	Mm00432359_m1	
Ccnd2 (Cyclin D2)	Mm00438070_m1	
Cdk4	Mm00726334_s1	
<b>Cell-Cycle Inhibitors</b>		
Cdkn1a (p21)	Mm00432448_m1	
Cdkn1b (p27)	Mm00438168_m1	
<b>DDR Markers</b>		
Bax	Mm00432051_m1	
Brca1	Mm00515386_m1	
Trp53 (p53)	Mm01731290_g1	
Vcam1	Mm01320970_m1	
Wee1	Mm00494175_m1	
<b>De-Differentiation Markers</b>		
Myh7	Mm00600555_m1	
Osm	Mm01193966_m1	
Osmr	Mm01307326_m1	
Runx1	Mm01213404_m1	

**Table S4. Antibodies for Immunofluorescent Staining**

Antigen	Manufacturer	Catalog #	Made in	Dilution
1° 5'-bromodeoxyuridine (BrdU)	Abcam	ab6326	rat	1:200
2° goat anti-rat 594	Invitrogen	A-11007	goat	1:500
1° phosphohistone H3 (pH3)	Millipore	06-570	rabbit	1:400
2° goat anti-rabbit 594	Invitrogen	A-11037	goat	1:500
1° Ki67	Invitrogen	14-5698-82	rat	1:250
2° goat anti-rat 594	Invitrogen	A-11007	goat	1:500
1° Cre-recombinase	Millipore	69050-3	rabbit	1:500
2° goat anti-rabbit 594	Invitrogen	A-11037	goat	1:500
1° cardiac-Troponin (cTnT)	Abcam	ab8295	mouse	1:200
2° goat anti-mouse 488	Invitrogen	A-11029	goat	1:500