## **Supporting Information**

## Differentiated Activities of Decorin and Biglycan in the Progression of Post-Traumatic Osteoarthritis

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\*Correspondence and requests for materials should be addressed to: Dr. Lin Han Phone: (215)571-3821 Fax: (215)895-4983 Email: lh535@drexel.edu. **Table S1.** Summary of structural and biomechanical analysis outcomes of control,  $Dcn^{iKO}$ ,  $Bgn^{iKO}$  and  $Dcn/Bgn^{iKO}$  mice at 8 weeks post-surgery, shown as mean [95% CI] from values averaged by each animal, as well as statistical outcomes between surgeries for each genotype. The *p*-values were calculated for comparisons between Sham and DMM surgeries for each genotype using the linear mixed effect model, except for the *p*-values of von Mises concentration  $\kappa$ , which were calculated using the Mardia and Jupp test of concentration equality, followed by Holm-Bonferroni correction for multiple contrasts amongst the four genotypes.

		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
	Sham	0.63 [0.24 1.03]	1.00 [0.20 1.79]	0.78 [0.09 1.47]	2.17 [1.62 2.71]
	DMM	5.78 [5.35 6.21]	7.17 [6.89 7.44]	6.22 [5.68 6.76]	7.29 [6.87 7.71]
Mankin Score	п	10	6	6	6
	<i>p</i> -value	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
	Sham	38 [35 41]	42 [37 46]	38 [33 43]	31 [28 33]
t (um)	DMM	24 [22 26]	24 [22 27]	25 [19 31]	16 [14 19]
luncalcified (µIII)	п	10	6	6	6
	<i>p</i> -value	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
	Sham	122 [116 128]	124 [117 132]	111 [106 116]	102 [97 106]
t (um)	DMM	105 [97 113]	87 [76 97]	100 [95 104]	81 [73 89]
$\iota_{\text{total}}(\mu_{\text{III}})$	п	10	6	6	6
	<i>p</i> -value	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.004	< 0.001
	Sham	0.36 [0.27 0.46]	0.24 [0.17 0.32]	0.32 [0.21 0.44]	0.36 [0.24 0.50]
von Mises	DMM	0.32 [0.23 0.41]	2.17 [1.96 2.38]	0.34 [0.22 0.46]	2.17 [1.85 2.50]
Concentration, $\kappa$	n	4	4	4	4
	<i>p</i> -value	0.497	< 0.001	0.125	< 0.001
	Sham	1.42 [1.17 1.67]	1.18 [0.94 1.42]	1.20 [0.85 1.54]	0.81 [0.28 1.33]
$E_{\mathrm{ind}}$ (MPa)	DMM	0.43 [0.31 0.54]	0.65 [0.44 0.85]	0.69 [0.27 1.11]	2.37 [1.48 3.27]
	n	9	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	< 0.001	0.009	0.006	< 0.001
$\frac{1}{2}$	DMM	0.27 [0.17 0.37]	0.47 [0.30 0.63]	0.26 [0.19 0.34]	1.08 [0.59 1.56]
70Ca (Wl.)	n	6	6	5	6

**Table S2.** Summary of the fibril diameter outcomes,  $d_{col}$ , on the condyle cartilage surfaces of control,  $Dcn^{iKO}$ ,  $Bgn^{iKO}$  and  $Dcn/Bgn^{iKO}$  mice at 8 weeks post-surgery, as well as statistical outcomes between surgeries for each genotype. The *p*-values were calculated for comparisons between Sham and DMM

surgeries for each genotype using the linear mixed effect model, followed by Holm-Bonferroni correction for multiple contrasts amongst the four genotypes. For comparisons between genotypes, no significant differences in  $d_{col}$  were detected (p = 0.314 amongst the four Sham groups, and p = 0.431 amongst the four DMM groups).

Fibril diameter d <sub>col</sub> (nm)	Control		Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	
	Sham	DMM	Sham	DMM	Sham	DMM	Sham	DMM
mean	33.5	33.2	33.8	34.3	34.1	33.1	33.4	33.3
std	7.4	7.6	6.8	8.6	9.2	6.8	5.7	6.4
$Q_1$	27.3	26.7	28.2	26.5	26.3	27.2	29.3	27.6
$Q_2$	33.3	33.1	33.8	33.1	34.4	33.3	33.6	33.3
$Q_3$	39.2	40.0	40.0	42.2	41.9	39.1	38.2	39.1
min	20.2	20.2	22.3	20.2	17.0	21.3	22.8	21.9
max	47.4	46.2	45.4	49.8	49.7	45.2	43.0	44.0
$n_{ m fibril}$	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
<i>p</i> -value	1.000		0.973		0.967		0.394	

**Table S3.** Summary of statistical analysis outcomes of structural and biomechanical parameters forpair-wise comparisons between genotypes for each surgery group at 8 weeks post-surgery. The *p*-valueswere calculated using the linear mixed effect model followed by Tukey-Kramer multiple comparisoncorrection, except for the *p*-values of von Mises concentration  $\kappa$ , which were calculated using theMardia and Jupp test of concentration equality followed by Holm-Bonferroni correction.

			Mankii	n Score			
Sham				DMM			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.581			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001		
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.958	0.899		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.428	0.025	
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	0.004	< 0.001	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	0.980	0.009
			$t_{ m uncalcifie}$	ed (μm)			
	S	ham			DM	М	
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.183			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.984		
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.995	0.378		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.919	0.994	
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.005	< 0.001	0.008	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.003	0.003	0.002
			$t_{ m total}$	(µm)			
	S	ham			DM	М	
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.963			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001		
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.050	0.035		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.612	0.048	
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.220	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	0.642	0.002
			von Mises Co	ncentration, $\kappa$			
	S	ham			DM	М	
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	1.000			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001		
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.447	0.342		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.683	< 0.001	
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.902	1.000	0.433	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	0.950	< 0.001
			$E_{\mathrm{ind}}$ (	MPa)		<u>.</u>	
	S	ham			DM	М	
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.614			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.682		
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.670	1.000		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.547	0.997	
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.017	0.341	0.301	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
			%Ca	(wt.)		-	
DMM				ſM			
			Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
		Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.558				
		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	1.000	0.570			
		Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	0.003	< 0.001		

Table S4. Summary of micro-computed tomography (μCT) analysis outcomes of control, *Dcn<sup>iKO</sup>*, *Bgn<sup>iKO</sup>* and *Dcn/Bgn<sup>iKO</sup>* mice at 8 weeks post-surgery,
 shown as mean [95% CI] from values averaged by each animal, as well as statistical outcomes between surgeries for each genotype. The *p*-values were calculated for comparisons between Sham and DMM surgeries for each genotype using the linear mixed effect model, followed by Holm-Bonferroni correction for multiple contrasts amongst the four genotypes.

		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>
	Sham	136 [108 163]	134 [125 144]	111 [102 119]	121 [107 134]
	DMM	130 [108 151]	150 [133 168]	130 [113 147]	129 [120 137]
SBP. 1h ( $\mu$ m)	n	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	0.337	0.063	0.027	0.448
	Sham	56 [45 66]	53 [42 65]	37 [35 40]	38 [31 44]
CTD D U/T U (0/)	DMM	57 [51 63]	64 [55 74]	39 [35 43]	42 [32 51]
SIB BV/IV (%)	n	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	0.467	0.001	0.765	0.317
	Sham	7.0 [6.2 7.8]	7.6 [6.5 8.8]	6.1 [6.0 6.2]	5.7 [5.1 6.2]
STB Tb.N	DMM	7.7 [7.2 8.3]	8.7 [7.8 9.7]	6.2 [5.7 6.7]	5.8 [5.1 6.5]
$(mm^{-1})$	n	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	0.002	< 0.001	0.551	0.745
	Sham	89 [68 110]	82 [73 91]	62 [56 68]	73 [62 85]
STB Tb.Th	DMM	95 [78 112]	102 [96 108]	73 [59 87]	85 [69 102]
(µm)	п	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	0.053	< 0.001	0.002	0.001
	Sham	93 [91 96]	86 [69 102]	80 [60 100]	80 [60 100]
Men. OV <sub>ant.</sub>	DMM	216 [141 291]	165 [126 203]	151 [110 192]	154 [126 183]
$(\times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}^3)$	n	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.001	< 0.001
Men. OV <sub>post.</sub>	Sham	30 [13 47]	39 [21 56]	16 [11 20]	60 [44 76]
	DMM	54 [17 92]	103 [45 162]	75 [33 117]	107 [80 134]
$(\times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}^3)$	n	5	5	5	5
	<i>p</i> -value	0.167	0.002	0.005	0.020

**Table S5.** Summary of statistical analysis outcomes of micro-computed tomography ( $\mu$ CT) parameters for pair-wise comparisons between genotypes for each surgery group at 8 weeks post-surgery. The *p*-values were calculated using the linear mixed effect model followed by Tukey-Kramer multiple comparison correction.

			SBP. 7	Γh (μm)					
Sham				DMM					
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	1.000			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.093				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.032	0.046		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	1.000	0.108			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.300	0.381	0.663	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	1.000	0.071	1.000		
			STB BV	//TV (%)					
	S	ham			DM	М			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.957			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.321				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.001	0.003		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.001	< 0.001			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.001	0.004	1.000	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.005	< 0.001	0.940		
			STB	Tb.N					
	S	ham			DM	DMM			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.322			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.052				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.105	0.002		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.003	< 0.001			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.008	< 0.001	0.632	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.719		
			STB Tb	o.Th (μm)					
	S	ham			DM	М			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.767			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.719				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.005	0.042		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.026	0.003			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.135	0.560	0.412	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.538	0.108	0.313		
			Men. OVant.	(×10 <sup>-3</sup> mm <sup>3</sup> )					
	S	ham			DM	Μ			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.970			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.024				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.873	0.990		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.003	0.863			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.877	0.990	1.000	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.005	0.936	0.997		
			Men. OV <sub>post</sub>	$(\times 10^{-3} \text{ mm}^3)$					
Sham					DM	М			
	Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		Control	Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>		
Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.960			Dcn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.034				
Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.844	0.557		Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.651	0.370			
Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.338	0.632	0.068	Dcn/Bgn <sup>iKO</sup>	0.021	0.998	0.273		