

Figure S1. EV71 altered the expression pattern of NAT10. **(A)** Binding of GTF3C4 to EV71 RNA. EV71-infected Vero cells were crosslinked using formaldehyde, and IP was performed using anti-GTF3C4 antibodies. The results were quantified using qPCR. IgG was used as a negative control. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ns, not significant, unpaired Student's *t*-tests. **(B)** DMSO- or remodelin-treated Vero cells were cultured for 1 day and their viability measured by CCK-8 Cell Counting Kit. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ns, not significant, unpaired Student's *t*-tests. **(C)** Ratio of NAT10 in the cytoplasm to that in the nucleus, as quantified using ImageJ. Data were graphed in box-and-whisker plots, indicating the minimum, first quartile, median, third quartile, and maximum ($n \geq 10$). $**P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's *t*-tests. **(D)** Localization of NAT10 in the nucleus and cytoplasm of mock- or EV71-infected Vero cells. Nuclear and cytoplasmic fractions were subjected to western blotting using antibodies against NAT10. Histone 3 and GAPDH were used as controls for each fraction. **(E)** Anti-ac4C dot blots for total RNA extracted from EV71-infected cells (MOI = 1 or 3) or mock-infected cells at 12 hpi. Methylene blue staining was used as a loading control. **(F)** RNA expression levels of EV71. Total RNA was extracted at 12 hpi from EV71- (MOI = 0.2, 0.5, or 1) or mock-infected Vero cells and quantified using qRT-PCR. *GAPDH* was used as a control. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$).

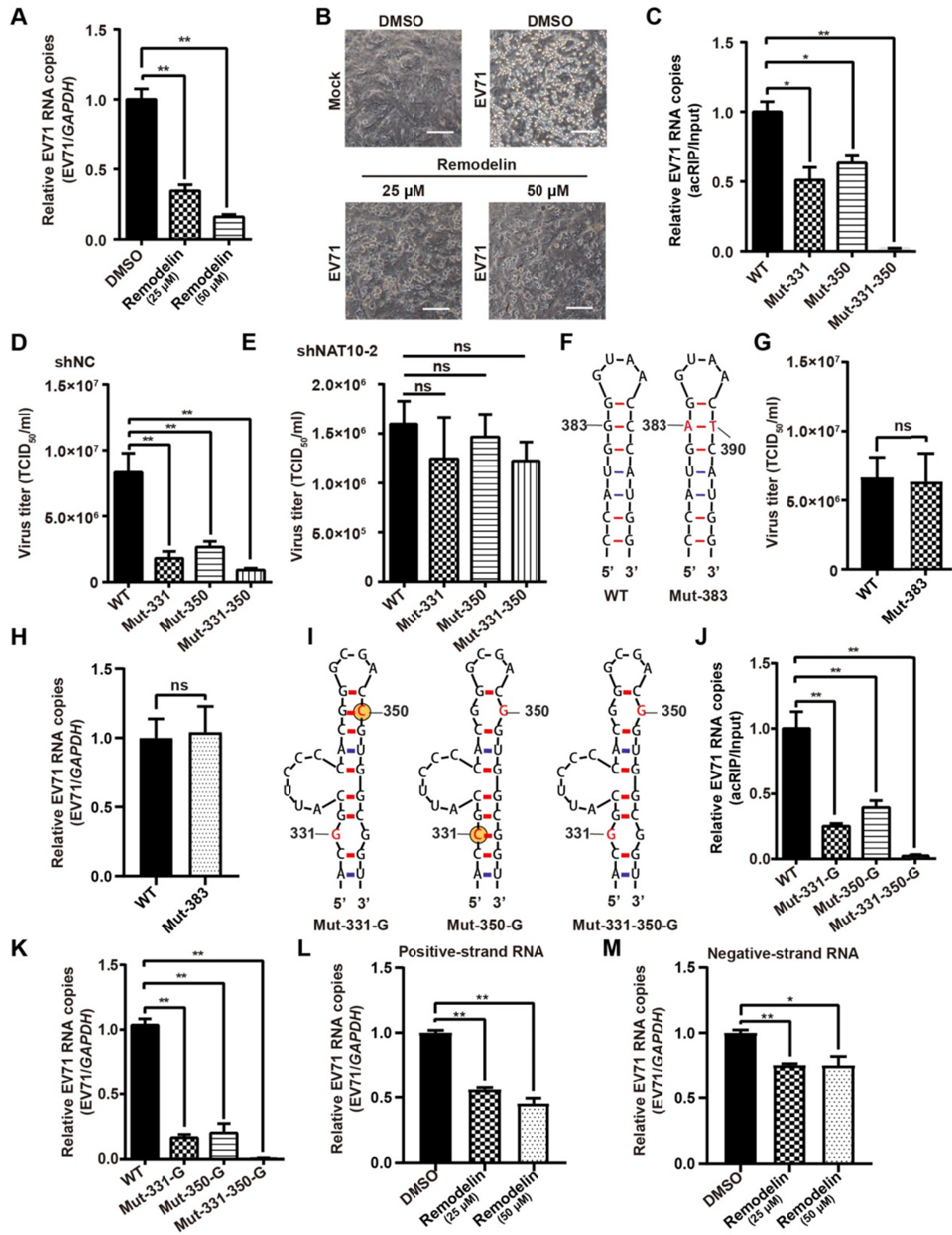


Figure S2. ac4C modification regulated EV71 replication. **(A)** qRT-PCR was performed to measure EV71 RNA levels in Vero cells in which NAT10 was inhibited by remodelin at the indicated times post-infection. *GAPDH* was used as a control. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). $**P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's *t*-tests. **(B)** CPE of mock- or EV71-infected Vero cells with DMSO or remodelin treated at 12 h post-infection. Scale bars, 50 μ m. **(C)** acRIP-qRT-PCR was performed to check ac4C levels of WT and mutation virus. Total RNAs were extracted from the EV71 WT- or mutants-infected Vero cells and incubated with ac4C-specific antibody, followed by IP and qRT-PCR. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). $*P \leq 0.05$, $**P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's *t*-tests. **(D & E)** Viral titers (TCID₅₀/mL). The supernatants of EV71 WT- or ac4C

mutant-infected Vero cells, treated with shNC (D) or shNAT10 (E), were collected at 24 hpi, and EV71 titers were measured as the TCID₅₀. Data are means ± SDs ($n = 3$). ** $P \leq 0.01$, ns: not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests. (F) Schematics of EV71 WT and Mut-383. The RNA secondary structure was predicted by Mfold software. (G) Viral titers (TCID₅₀/mL). The supernatants of EV71 WT- and Mut-383-infected Vero cells were collected at 24 hpi, and EV71 titers were measured as the TCID₅₀. Data are means ± SDs ($n = 3$). ns: not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests. (H) qRT-PCR was performed to determine the RNA levels of EV71 WT or Mut-383 in Vero cells at 24 h post-transfection, with *GAPDH* used as a control. Data are means ± SEMs ($n = 3$). ns: not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests. (I) Schematics of the location of ac4C sites in EV71 WT and C-G mutations. The RNA secondary structure was predicted by Mfold software. Yellow solid circles indicate ac4C modification. (J) ac4C levels of EV71 WT and mutations in EV71 RNA-transfected cells were determined by acRIP-qRT-PCR. Data are means ± SEMs ($n = 3$). ** $P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests. (K) qRT-PCR was performed to determine the RNA levels of EV71 WT or ac4C mutants in Vero cells at 24 h post-transfection, with *GAPDH* used as a control. Data are means ± SEMs ($n = 3$). ** $P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests. (L & M) qRT-PCR was performed to determine the positive-strand (L) and negative-strand (M) RNA levels of EV71 in Vero cells, treated with DMSO or remodelin at 24 hpi, with *GAPDH* used as a control. Data are means ± SEMs ($n = 3$). * $P \leq 0.05$, ** $P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests.

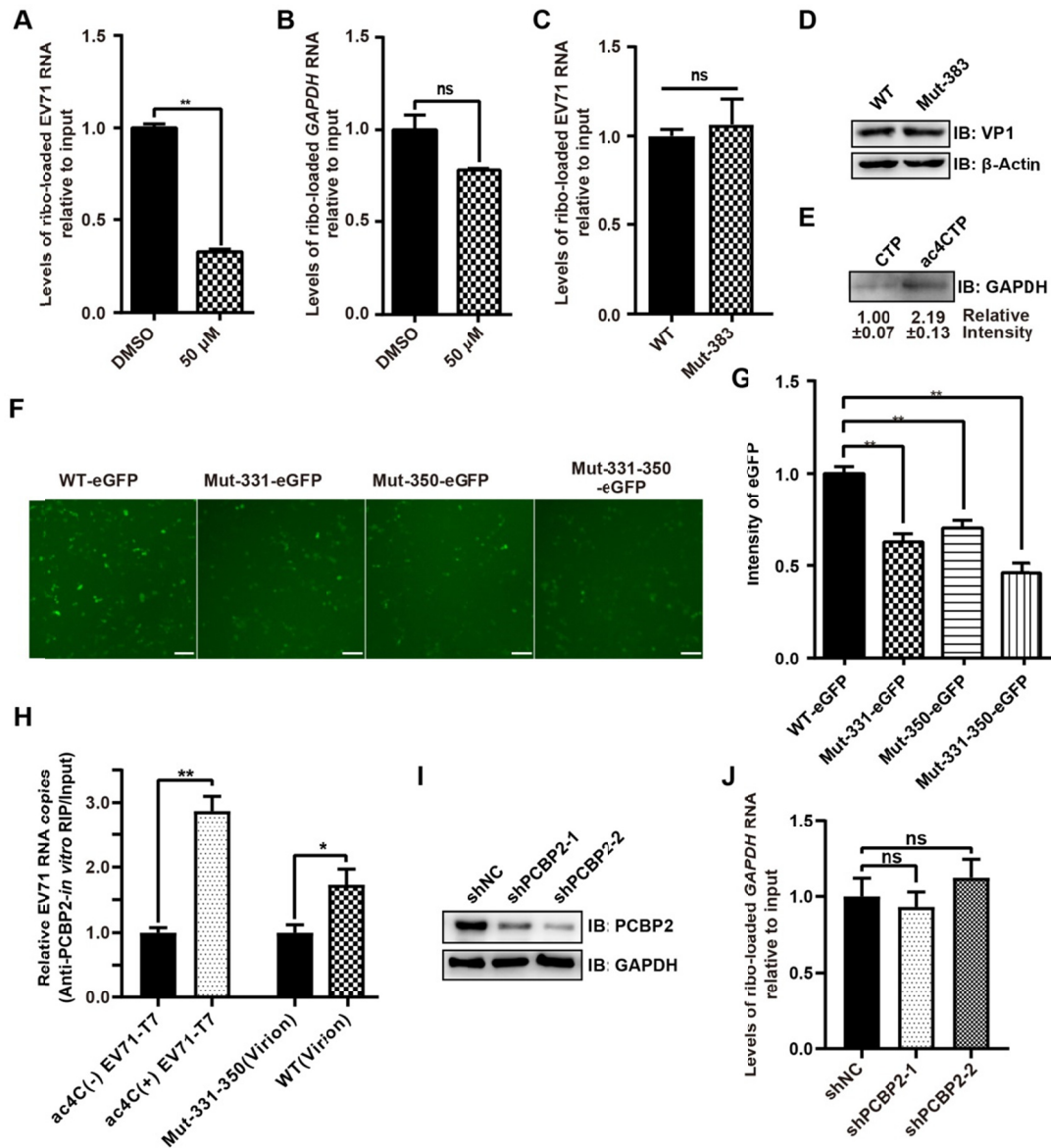


Figure S3. ac4C promoted the translation of EV71 RNA. (**A & B**) DMSO- or remodelin-treated Vero cells were infected by EV71 and used to analyze both the input and ribosome loaded RNA levels of EV71 (A) and GAPDH (B) at 24 h postinfection. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ** $P \leq 0.01$, ns, not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests. (**C**) EV71 WT- or Mut-383-infected Vero cells were used to analyze the input RNA and ribosome-loaded RNA levels of EV71 at 24 h postinfection. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ns, not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests. (**D**) Western blot analysis of extracts of EV71 WT- or Mut383-infected Vero cells. GAPDH was used as a loading control. (**E**) *In vitro* translation assays were performed using ac4C(\pm) GAPDH mRNA template. (**F**) eGFP expression in RD cells transfected with WT or ac4C mutants (harboring the eGFP reporter vector) at 24 h post-transfection. Scale bars, 50 μ m. (**G**) Fluorescence intensity of eGFP in RD cells transfected with WT or ac4C mutants eGFP reporter Vectors at 24 h post-transfection was quantified using ImageJ. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ** $P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests. (**H**) Binding of PCBP2 and EV71 RNA *in vitro*. EV71 RNAs extracted from T7 transcripts (ac4C[\pm]) or WT and ac4C mutant virions were incubated with GST-PCBP2. The samples were subjected to IP, followed by quantification

using qRT-PCR. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). $*P \leq 0.05$, $**P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests. **(I)** Western blotting of extracts from EV71-infected Vero cells treated with shNC or shPCBP2. The expression of PCBP2 was assessed using anti-PCBP2 antibodies, and GAPDH served as a loading control. **(J)** shNC- or shPCBP2-treated Vero cells were infected with EV71 and used to analyze the input RNA and ribosome-loaded RNA levels of *GAPDH* at 24 hpi. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ns, not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests.

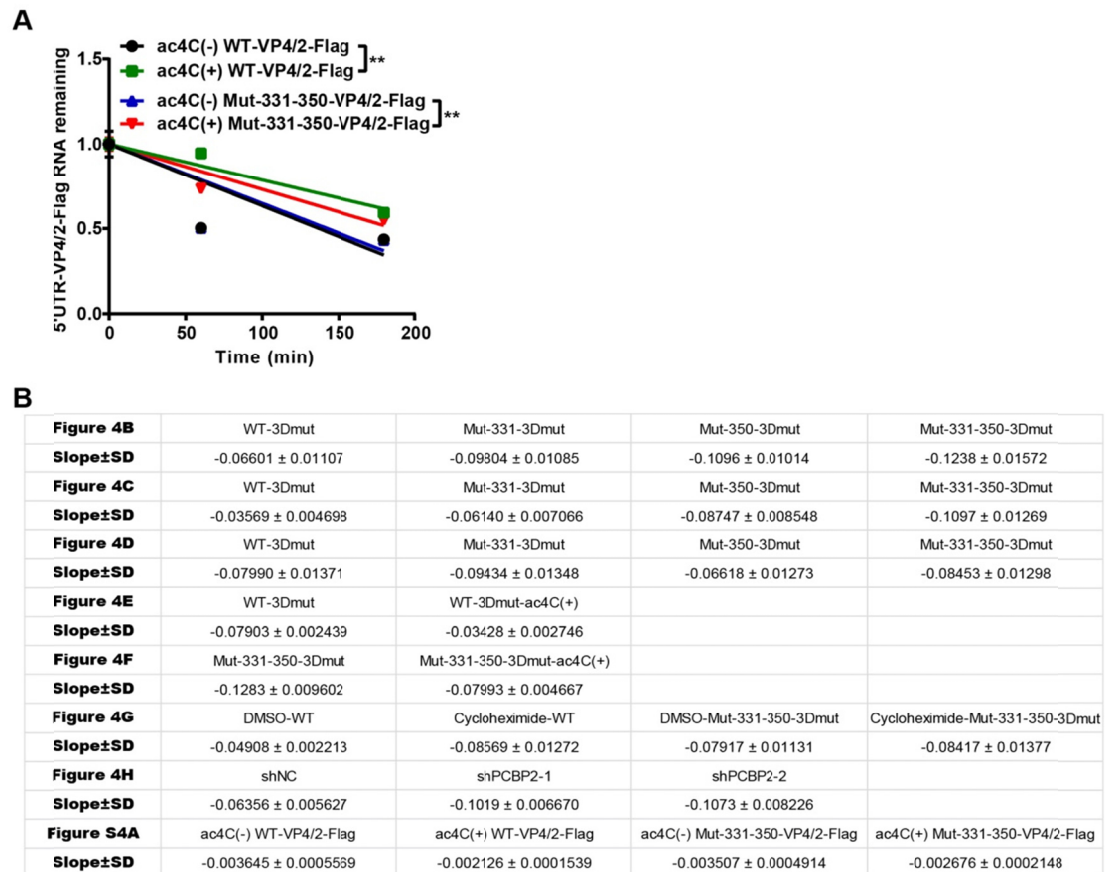


Figure S4. ac4C enhanced the stability of EV71 RNA. **(A)** qRT-PCR was performed to measure the RNA levels of ac4C(\pm) WT- or Mut-331-350-VP4/2-Flag RNA. Decay graphs were generated by applying linear regression analysis. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). $**P \leq 0.01$, two-way ANOVA. **(B)** The slopes of all degradation curves are shown. Data are mean slopes \pm SDs.

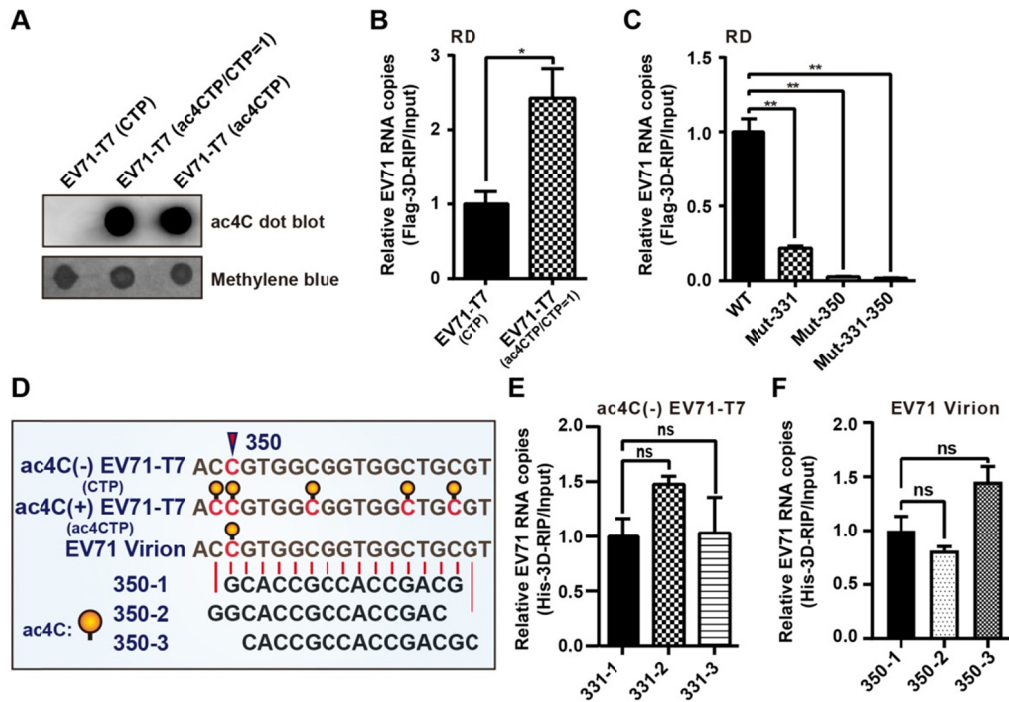


Figure S5. ac4C enhanced the combination of 3D and EV71 RNA. **(A)** Anti-ac4C dot blot was performed on EV71 genome transcribed by T7 with (ac4CTP/CTP=1 and ac4CTP) or without (CTP) ac4C added, with methylene blue staining as loading control. **(B & C)** Binding of 3D to EV71 RNA with different ac4C levels in RD cells. Flag-3D overexpressed RD cells were transfected by EV71 genomes with (ac4C/C=50%) or without (ac4C/C=0) ac4C **(B)** or infected by EV71 WT and ac4C mutants **(C)**, followed by crosslinked-RIP with Flag antibodies and quantified by qRT-PCR. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). * $P \leq 0.05$, ** $P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests. **(D)** Schematic of EV71 RNA pairing with primers near position 350. Yellow solid circles indicate ac4C modification. **(E & F)** The 3D binding levels of different 331 primers annealed with ac4C(-) EV71-T7 **(E)** and that of different 350 primers annealed with EV71 virion RNA **(F)**. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). ns, not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests.

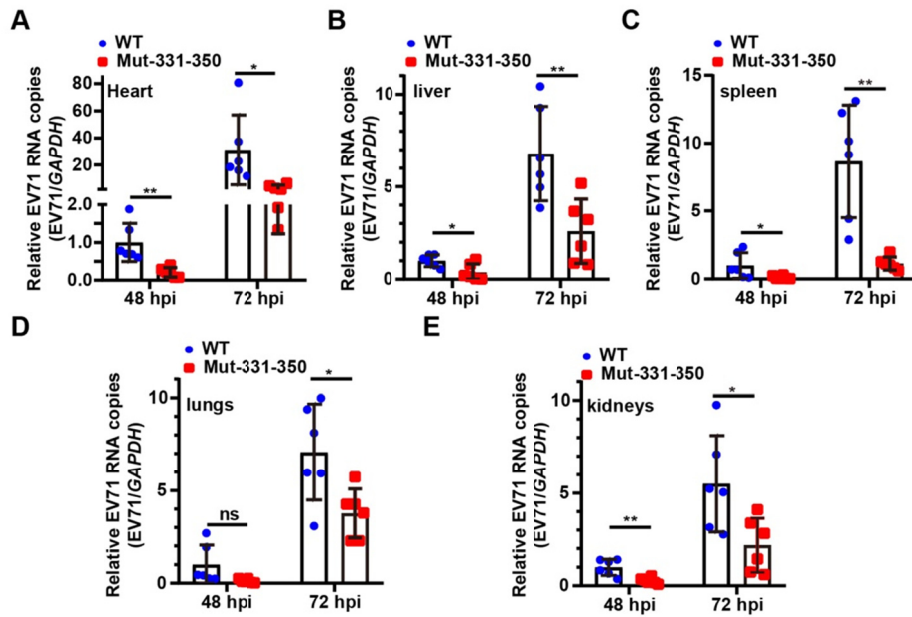


Figure S6. EV71 ac4C mutant caused reduced pathogenicity in mice. (A - E) Viral RNA in organs, including heart (A), liver (B), spleen (C), lungs (D) and kidneys (E), from AG6 mice infected with EV71 were quantified by qPCR. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 6$). * $P \leq 0.05$, ** $P \leq 0.01$, ns: not significant, unpaired Student's t -tests.

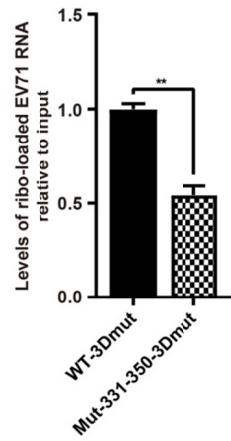


Figure S7. The effect of ac4C on EV71 translation was independent of 3D. WT-3Dmut- or Mut-331-350-3Dmut-transfected-Vero cells were used to analyze the input RNA and ribosome loaded RNA levels of EV71 at 8 h post transfection. Data are means \pm SEMs ($n = 3$). $**P \leq 0.01$, unpaired Student's t -tests.