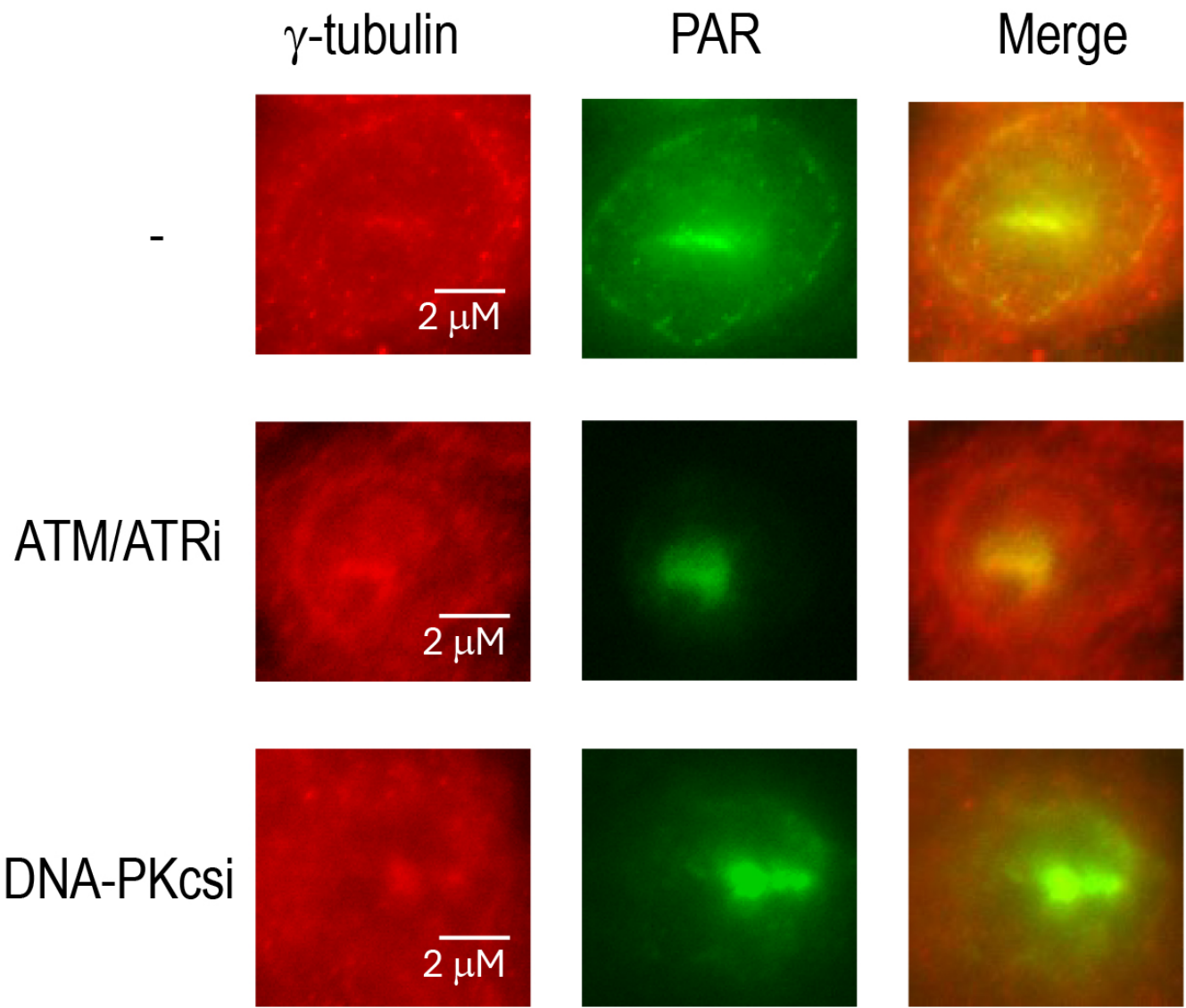
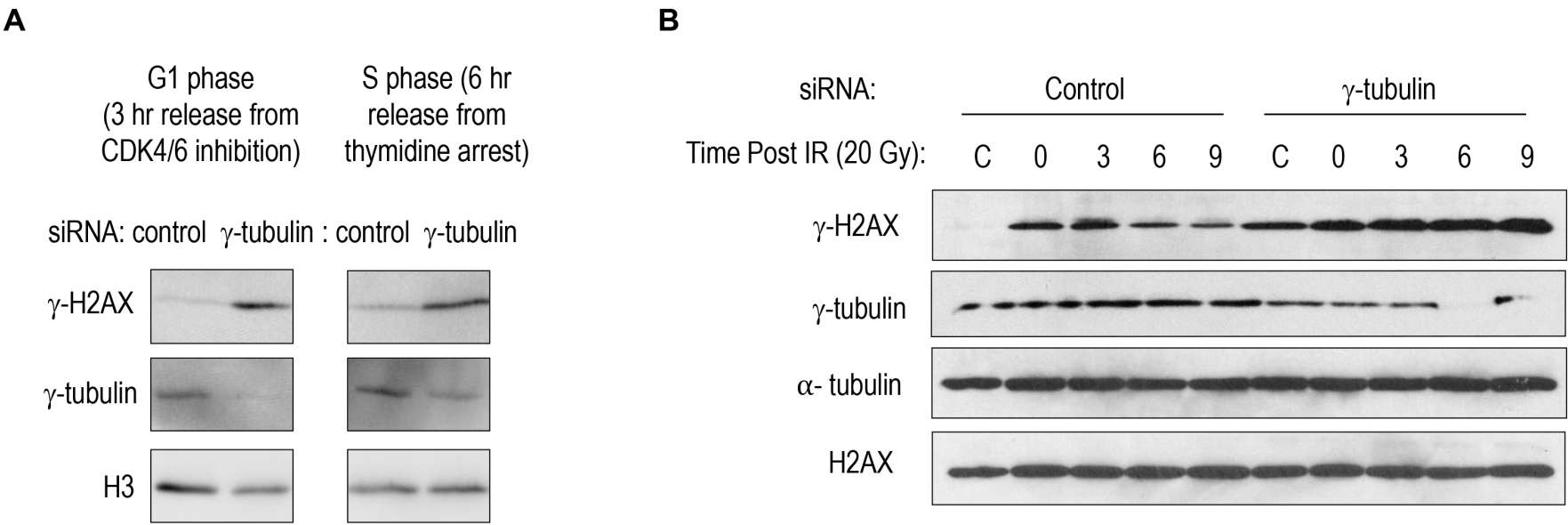


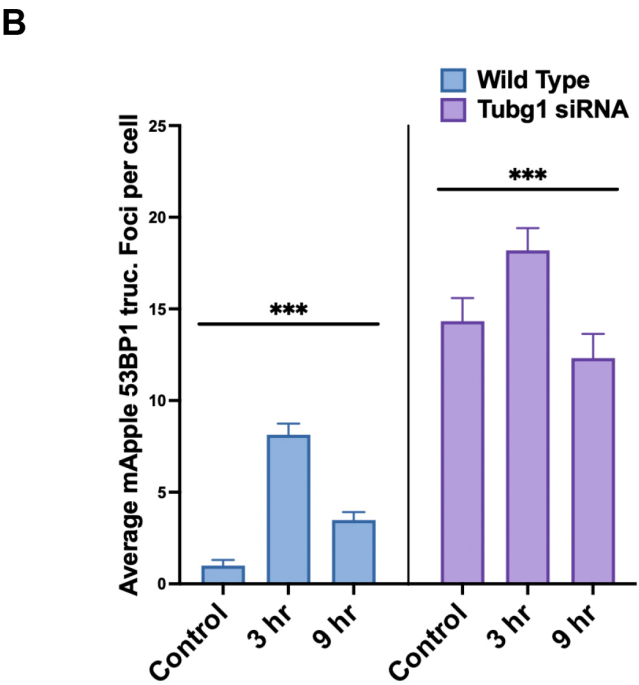
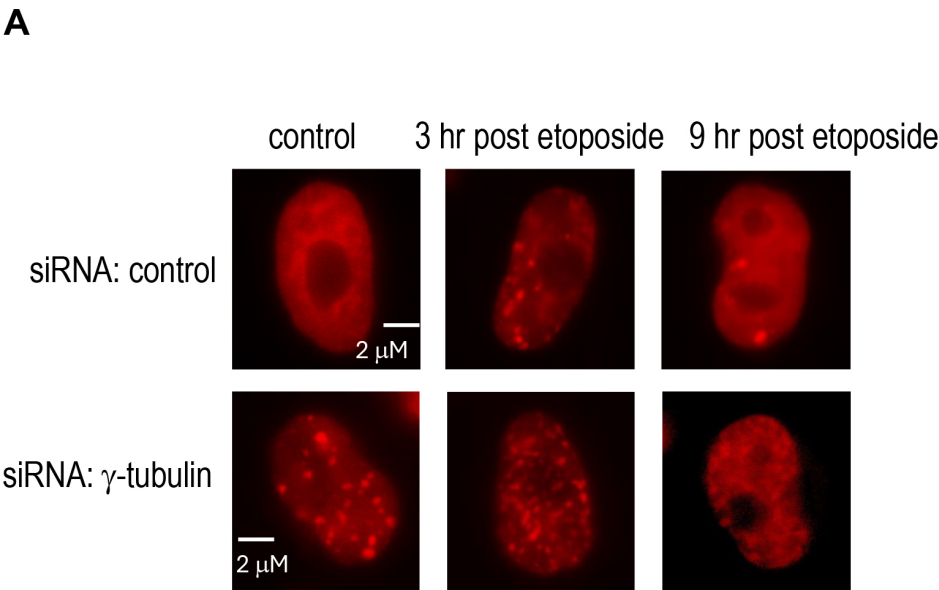
**Fig. S1.  $\gamma$ - tubulin is recruited to DNA damage sites.** (A) As described in our previous study (Zhu et al., 2020), a pull-down experiment was performed in *Xenopus* egg extracts, using biotin dA-dT (70 mer) conjugated on streptavidin magnetic beads (New England Biolabs). The pull-down products, and control pull-down using empty beads, were analyzed by mass spectrometry. Several tubulins were recovered in the pull down, as shown with the numbers of peptides recovered. (B) HeLa cells were laser-microirradiated and analyzed by immunofluorescence (IF) for  $\gamma$ -tubulin and poly(ADP-ribose) (PAR). The images were taken 3 min post laser-treatment. The region of laser micro-irradiation is denoted by the white lines. (C) HeLa cells treated with control or  $\gamma$ -tubulin siRNA were analyzed by IF for  $\gamma$ -tubulin. (D) HeLa cells expressing mCherry- $\gamma$ -tubulin and GFP-Polymerase  $\lambda$  were laser micro-irradiated and imaged. This laser system involved pre-sensitization and confocal imaging, as in Fig. 1D. (E) Cells were imaged as in panel D, the recruitment kinetics of mCherry- $\gamma$ -tubulin and GFP- Polymerase  $\lambda$  are shown.



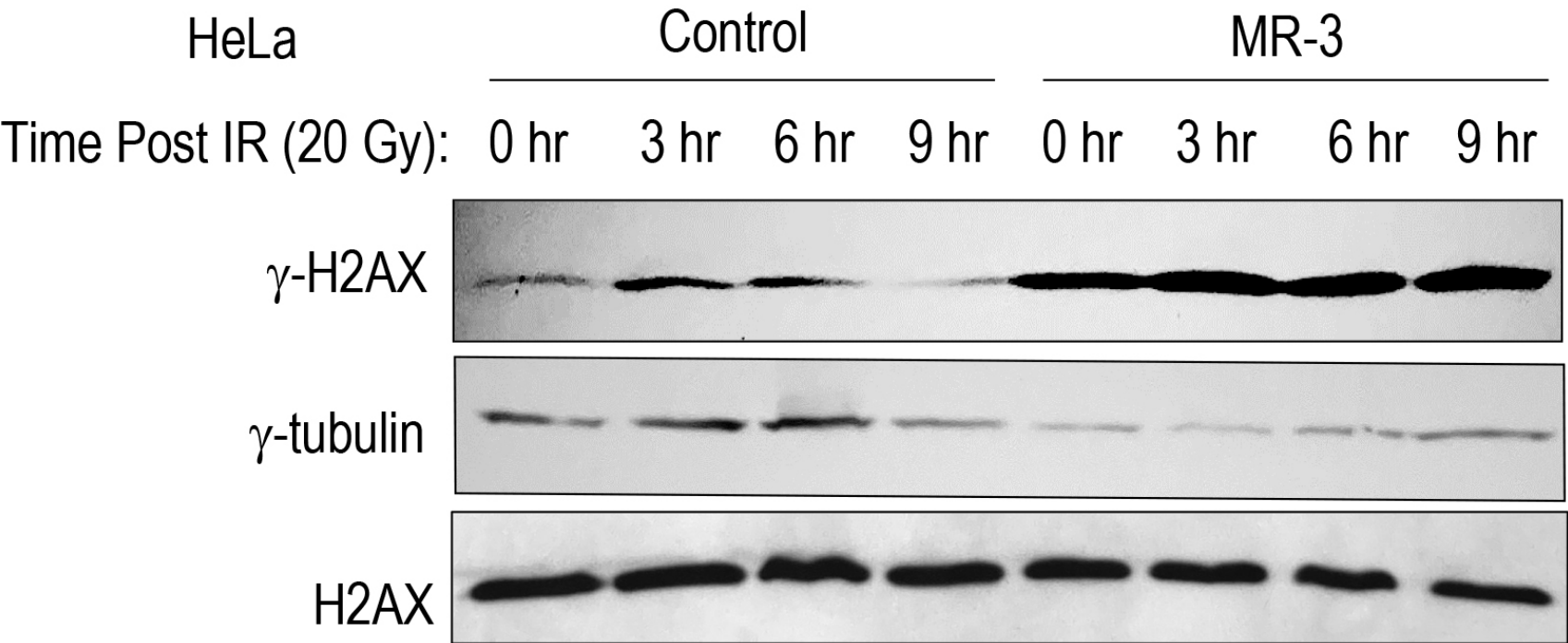
**Fig. S2.  $\gamma$ - tubulin recruitment to DNA damage sites is independent of ATM, ATR and DNA-PKcs activities.** HeLa cells were treated with laser micro-irradiation and analyzed by IF, as in Fig. S1B. Cells were pre-treated with or without ATM/ATR inhibitor (caffeine, 4mM) or DNA-PKcs inhibitor (NU7441, 20 uM), as indicated.



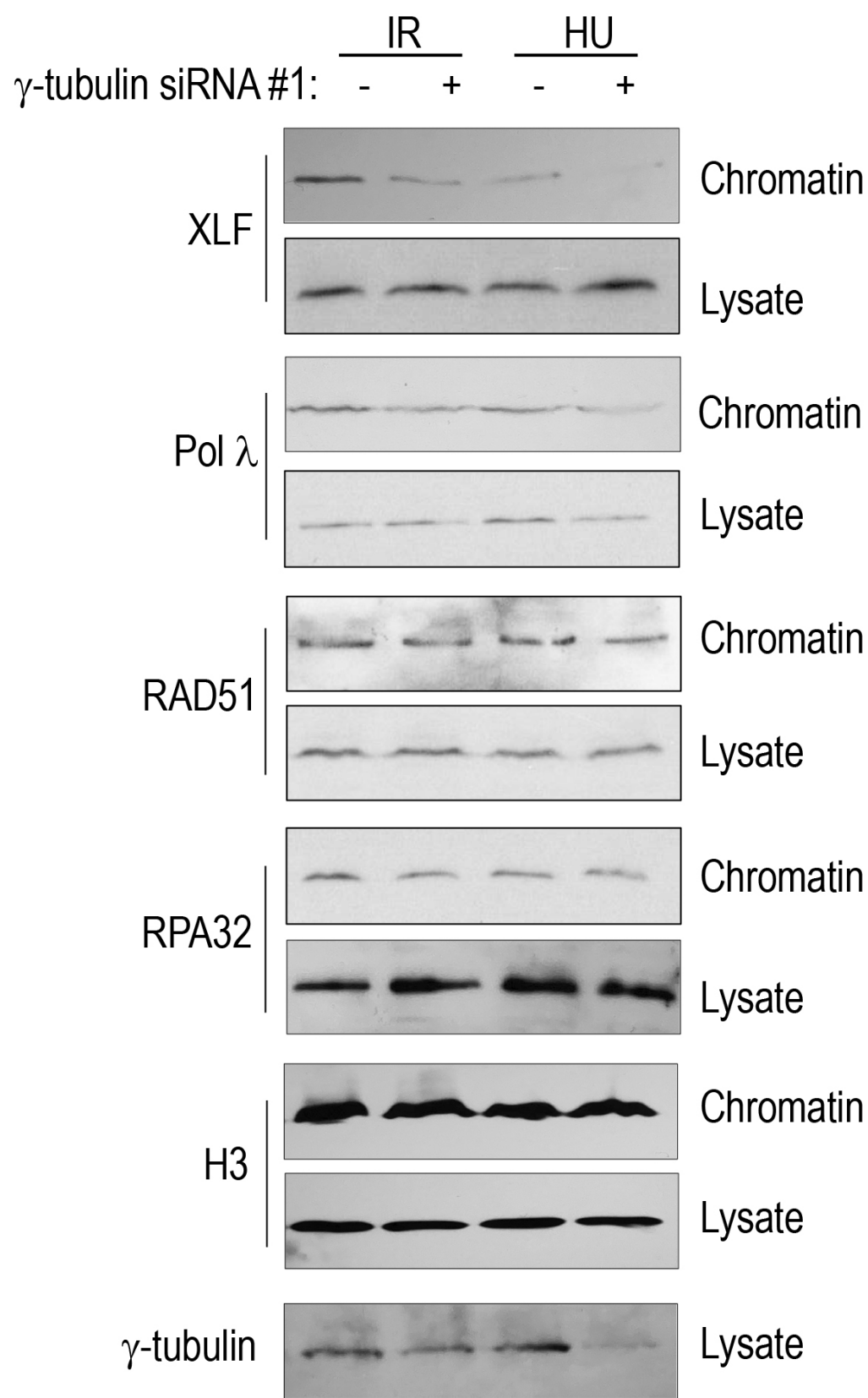
**Fig. S3. The role of  $\gamma$ -tubulin in DNA repair.** (A) Inhibition of  $\gamma$ -tubulin in interphases leads to DNA damage accumulation. Cells treated with control or  $\gamma$ -tubulin siRNA were synchronized in G1 or S phases, as indicated, and analyzed by IB for the indicated proteins. (B)  $\gamma$ -tubulin depletion delays DNA repair. HeLa cells with control or  $\gamma$ -tubulin siRNA were treated with 20 Gy IR, as described in Materials and Methods, followed by repair/recovery for 0, 3, 6, and 9 hours as indicated. The samples were analyzed by IB.



**Fig. S4.  $\gamma$ -tubulin depletion delays DNA repair.** (A, B) HeLa cells with control or  $\gamma$ -tubulin siRNA, were transfected with mApple-53BP1-truc, as described in Material and Methods. Cells were treated with 1  $\mu$ M etoposide for 1 hour, followed by repair/recovery for 0, 3 and 9 hours as indicated. Representative images are shown in panel A. Quantification is shown in panel B. The average number of mApple-53BP1-truc foci was counted in >20 cells for each condition and analyzed using ANOVA (\*\*\*) $p < 0.001$ ).

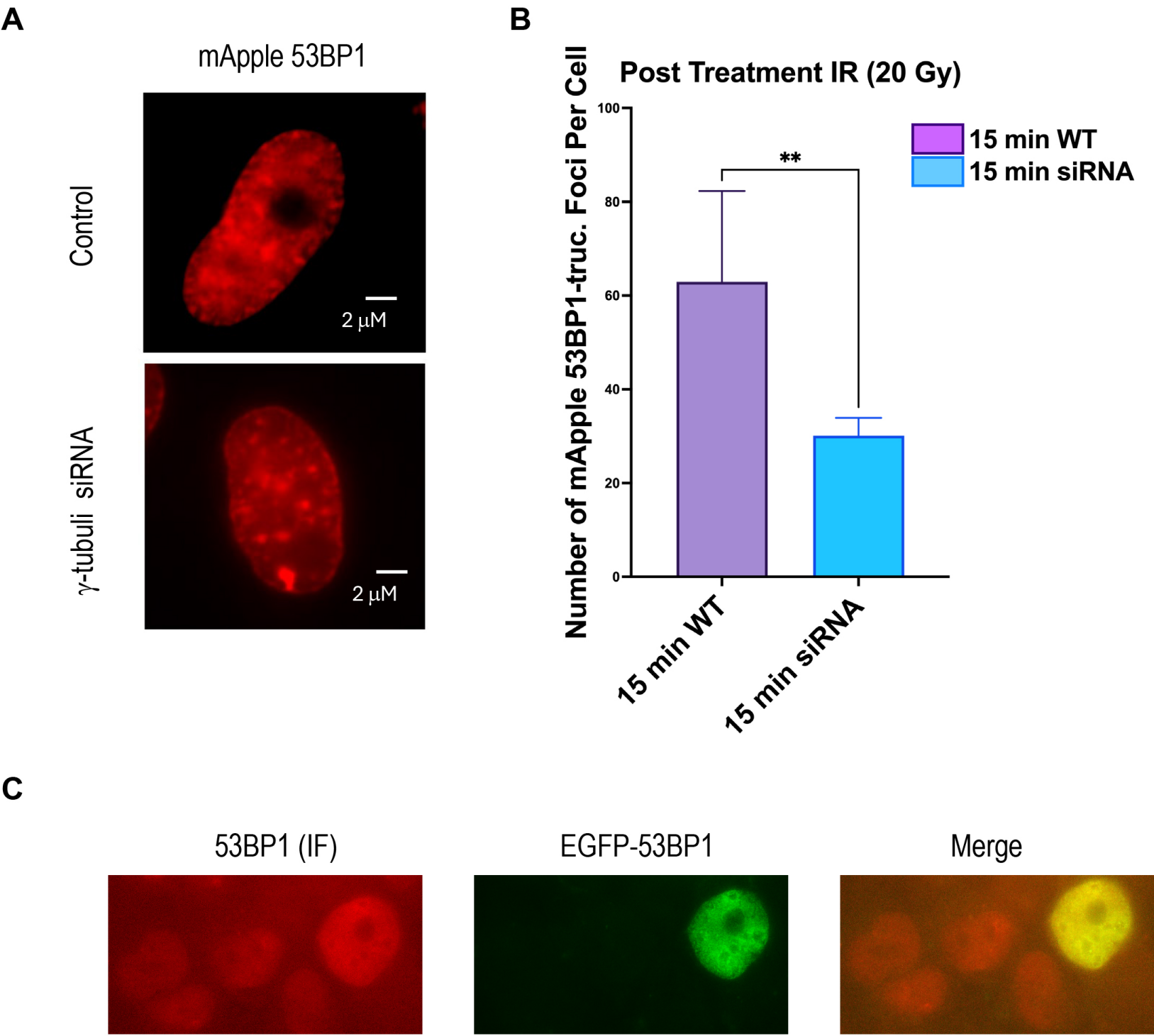


**Fig. S5.  $\gamma$ -tubulin inhibition delays DNA repair.** HeLa cells were treated with 15  $\mu$ M MR-3, followed by repair/recovery for 0, 3, 6, and 9 hours as indicated. The samples were analyzed by IB for the indicated proteins.

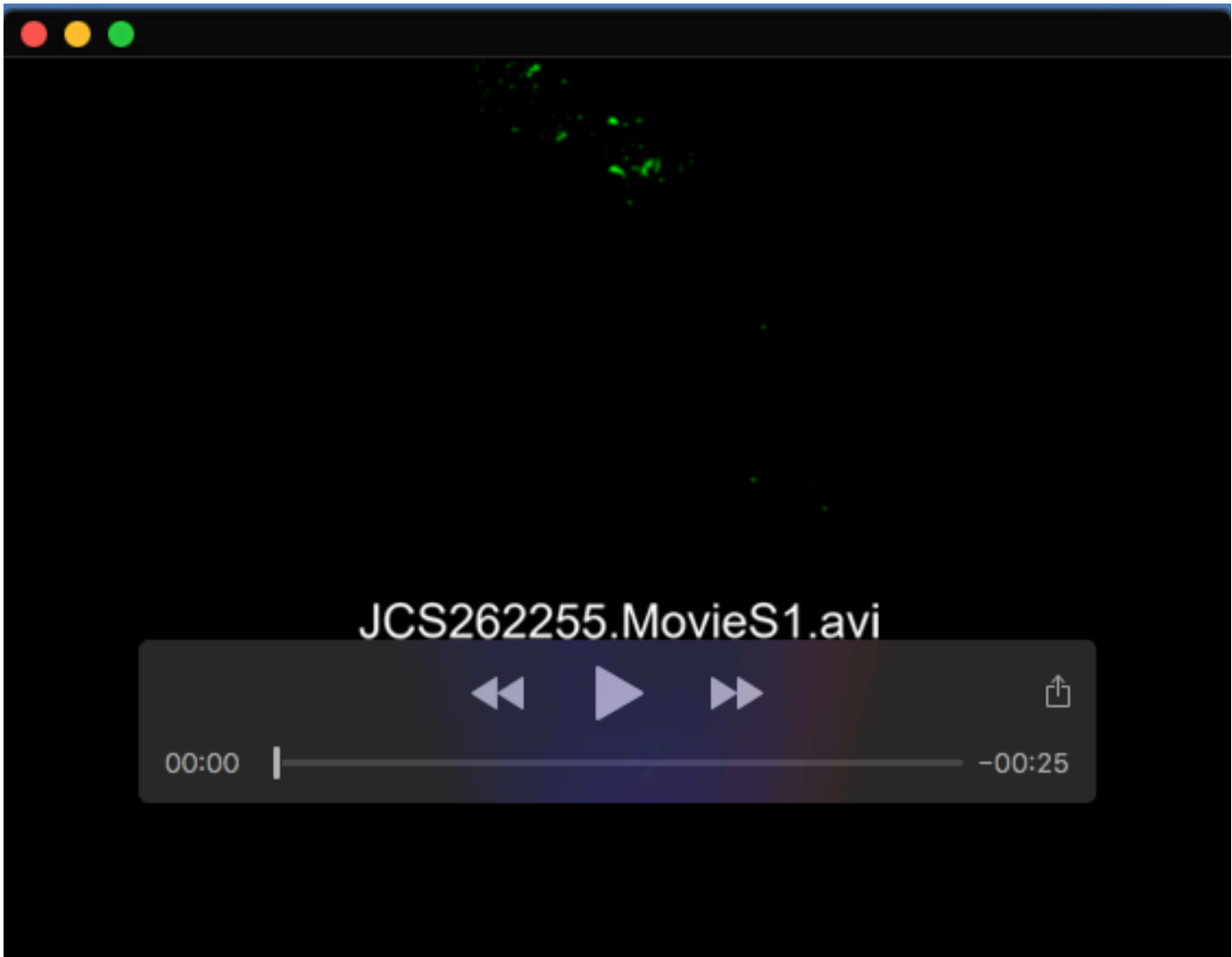


**Fig. S6.  $\gamma$ -tubulin depletion reduced the chromatin recruitment of DSB repair factors.** HeLa cells treated/untreated with  $\gamma$  tubulin siRNA (24 hr) were either irradiated with 20 Gy of X-ray, or treated with Hydroxyurea, followed by 3 hr incubation. Chromatin fractionation was performed as described in Material and Methods. The lysates and chromatin samples were analyzed by IB.





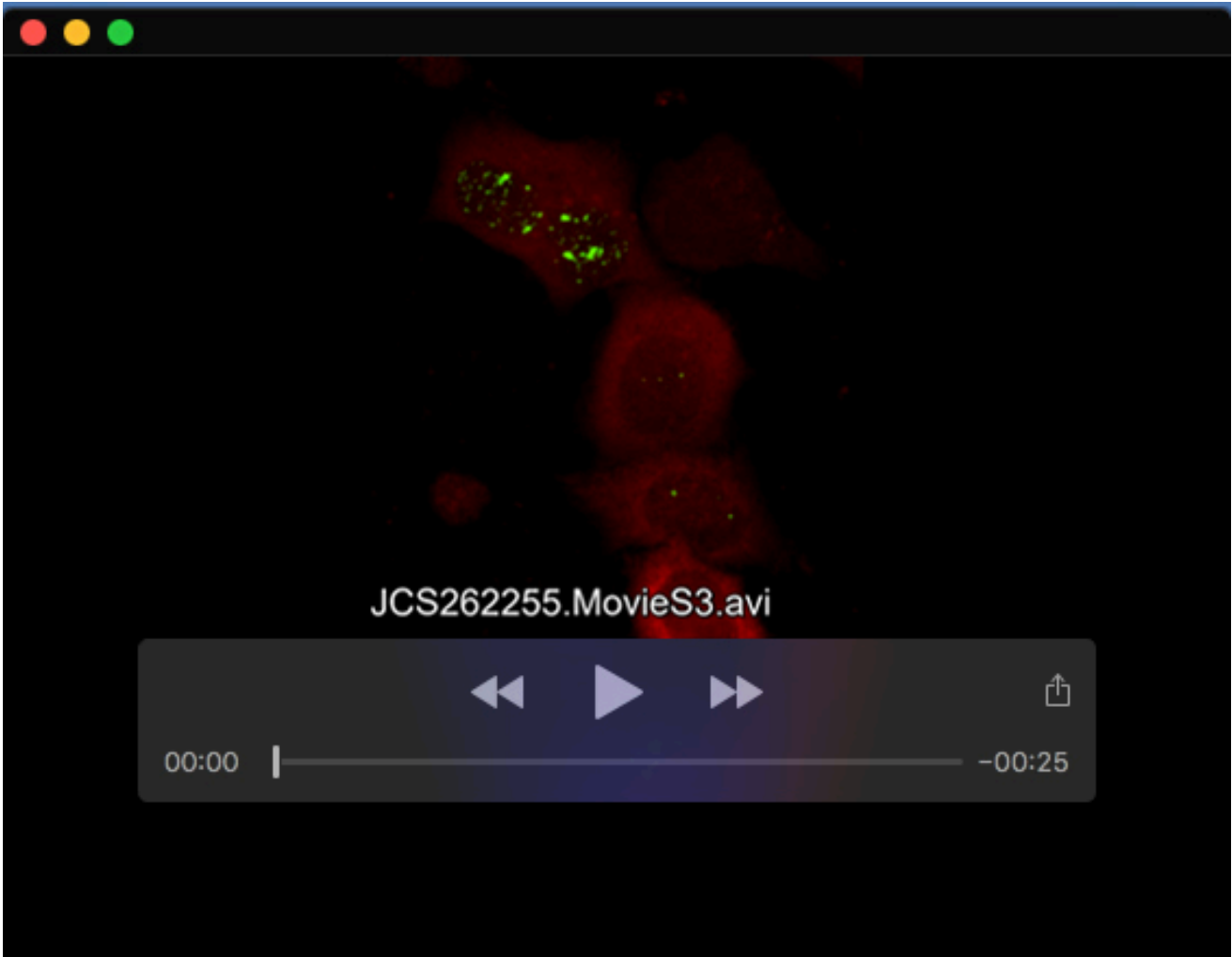
**Fig. S7.  $\gamma$ -tubulin depletion attenuates foci formation.** (A, B) HeLa cells treated/untreated with  $\gamma$  tubulin siRNA (24 hr) were irradiated with 20 Gy of X-ray, followed by 15 min incubation. The cells were fixed with 3% formaldehyde with 0.1% Triton X-100 for 30 min. Representative images are shown in panel A, and quantification of 53BP1 foci is shown in panel B (N>100). All data were collected from at least three independent experimental sets as mean  $\pm$  S.D.; significant: \*\*p<0.01 by unpaired 2-tailed Student's t-test. (C) The expression level of EGFP-53BP1. HeLa cells transfected with EGFP-53BP1 were analyzed by IF for 53BP1 to indicate the levels of endogenous and overexpressed 53BP1.



**Movie 1.** DNA damage (etoposide)-induced GFP-53BP1 foci.



**Movie 2.** DNA damage (etoposide)-induced mCherry- $\gamma$ -tubulin foci.



**Movie 3.** Merge of GFP-53BP1 and mCherry- $\gamma$ -tubulin foci.



**Movie 4.** Merge of GFP-53BP1 and mCherry- $\gamma$ -tubulin foci (rotation).

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