

CORRECTION

## Correction: E2F1 and TFDP1 Regulate *PITX1* Expression in Normal and Osteoarthritic Articular Chondrocytes

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The caption for  $\underline{Fig 1}$  is incorrectly displayed as the fourth paragraph of the Results section. The publisher apologizes for the error. Please see the correct  $\underline{Fig 1}$  caption here.

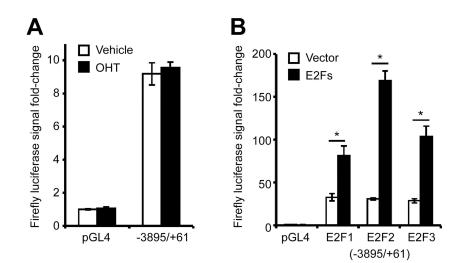


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- -400 TCGGCAAACATTCACTCATCCTGGGCTGTTCTCGCCAGGGCTGGGGACTT FOXM1 PDEF
- -350 CGAGGCG<u>CCGAGA</u>CGGGGGGTTGATTCTAGGCGAAACAAGTCATTTGAGG SMAD4
- -300 CCTGAGGTGTGCACGAGCCGCCCGGGACTCGCAGGCCAGATGCGTTTCTT

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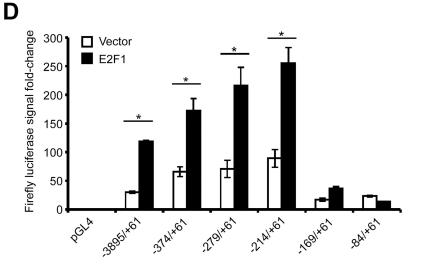


Fig 1. Critical regulatory regions in the *PITX1* promoter govern its expression in chondrocytes. Human C28/I2 chondrocyte cells were cotransfected with either the empty pGL4 plasmid (luciferase reporter plasmid) or the pGL4 plasmids containing different regions of the *PITX1* promoter combined with either the empty pBabe plasmid or pBabe plasmids expressing ER (estrogen receptor) fused to E2F1, E2F2, or E2F3 and induced with 4OH-tamoxifen (OHT) for 24 h. (A) The -3895/+61 *PITX1* gene region contains regulatory elements capable of producing a luciferase signal that is not affected by OHT treatment. (B) Overexpression of E2F1, E2F2, and E2F3 produces a significant increase in the luciferase activity under the control of the -3895/+61 *PITX1* gene region. (C) The proximal sequence of the *PITX1* promoter contains several E2F1 binding sites, as predicted by MatInspector 8.0 software (Genomatix Software Suite). (D) Overexpression of E2F1 has variable effects on luciferase activity depending on the length of the transfected promoter region (-3895/+61; -374/+61; -279/+61; -214/+61; -169/+61; -84/+61). Except for the -84/+61 *PITX1* gene region, all the other constructs are significantly activated by E2F1. (Fig 1A, 1B and 1D) Data represents mean and standard deviation of 3 independent experiments. Asterisks represent a significant increase in luciferase activity (Two-way ANOVA; Bonferroni *post hoc:* \*p < 0.0001) compared with control cells.

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