

MicroRNA-126 overexpression rescues diabetes-induced impairment in efferocytosis of apoptotic cardiomyocytes

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Figure S1

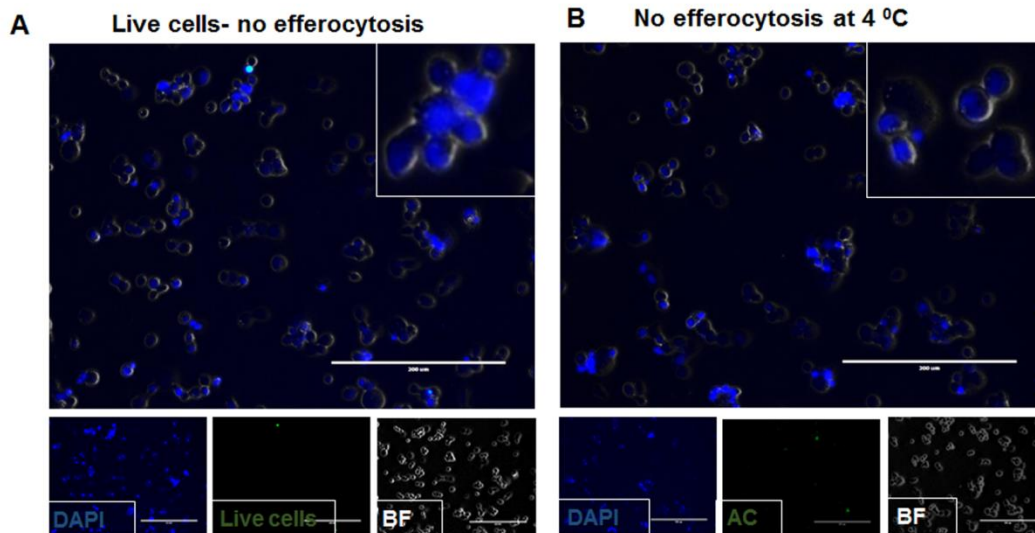
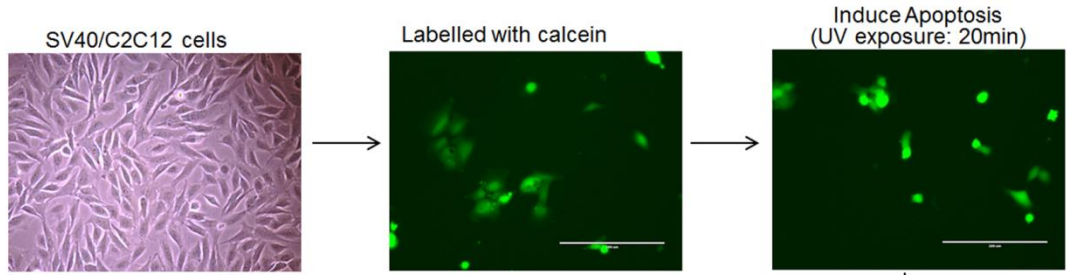


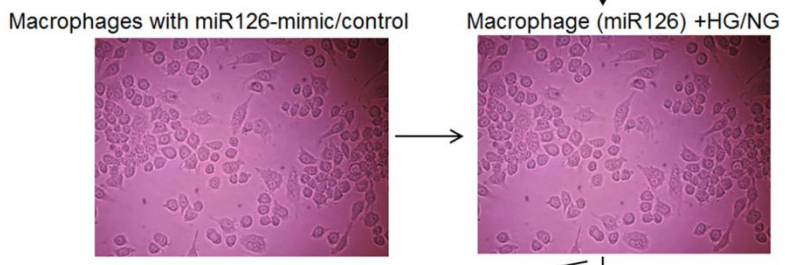
Figure S1: Fluorescent microscopy- efferocytosis assay under different experimental conditions. (A) Lack of engulfment of (calcein labeled green) live human ventricular cardiomyocytes by RAW 264.7 cells incubated at 37°C. (B) Inhibition of efferocytosis of apoptotic cells (green) by RAW 264.7 cells at 4°C. Macrophage nuclei is DAPI stained (blue).

Fig S2 **A**

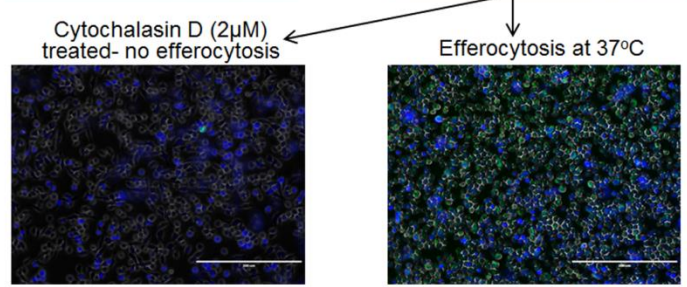
1. Preparation of apoptotic cells



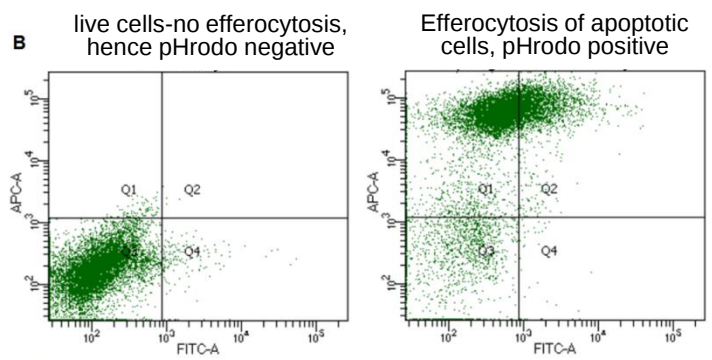
2. Transfect RAW 264.7 cells with miR126-mimic or control mimic



3. Overlay apoptotic C2C12 cells on RAW 264.7 cells. Efferocytosis at 37°C. Cytochalasin D (2µM) disrupts cell membrane, hence no efferocytosis (no engulfment of green cells)



4. Flow cytometry



5. Confocal Microscopy

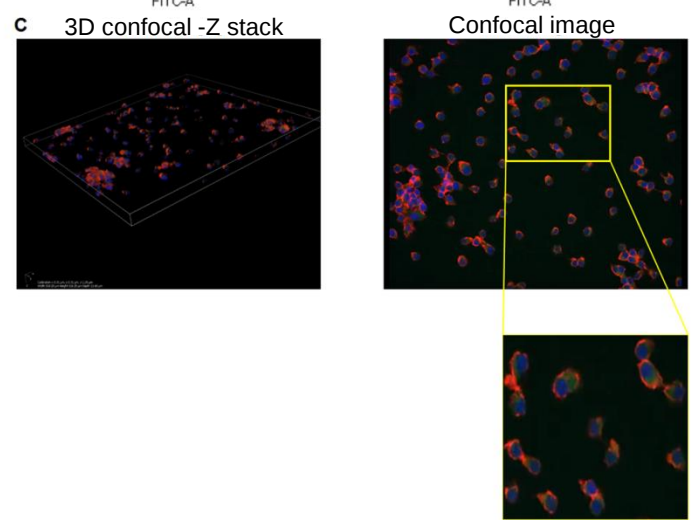


Figure S2: Efferocytosis assay and validation

(A) Efferocytosis assay. Pre-incubation of macrophages with cytochalasin D (2µM, to disrupt actin polymerization) inhibits efferocytosis and did not show engulfment of the apoptotic cells. (B) Flow cytometry analysis, engulfment of pHrodo green labeled apoptotic cells by macrophages (stained with anti-CD11b-APC). Macrophages exhibit increasing fluorescence (green) due to acidification of endocytic compartments in comparison to the dye being nonfluorescent at neutral pH (or lack of efferocytosis of live cells). Representative z-stack image from 3D confocal imaging of corresponding video of phagocytic cells (Red: F-actin for macrophages, Green: calcein labeled apoptotic cells, blue nuclei: DAPI).

Figure S3

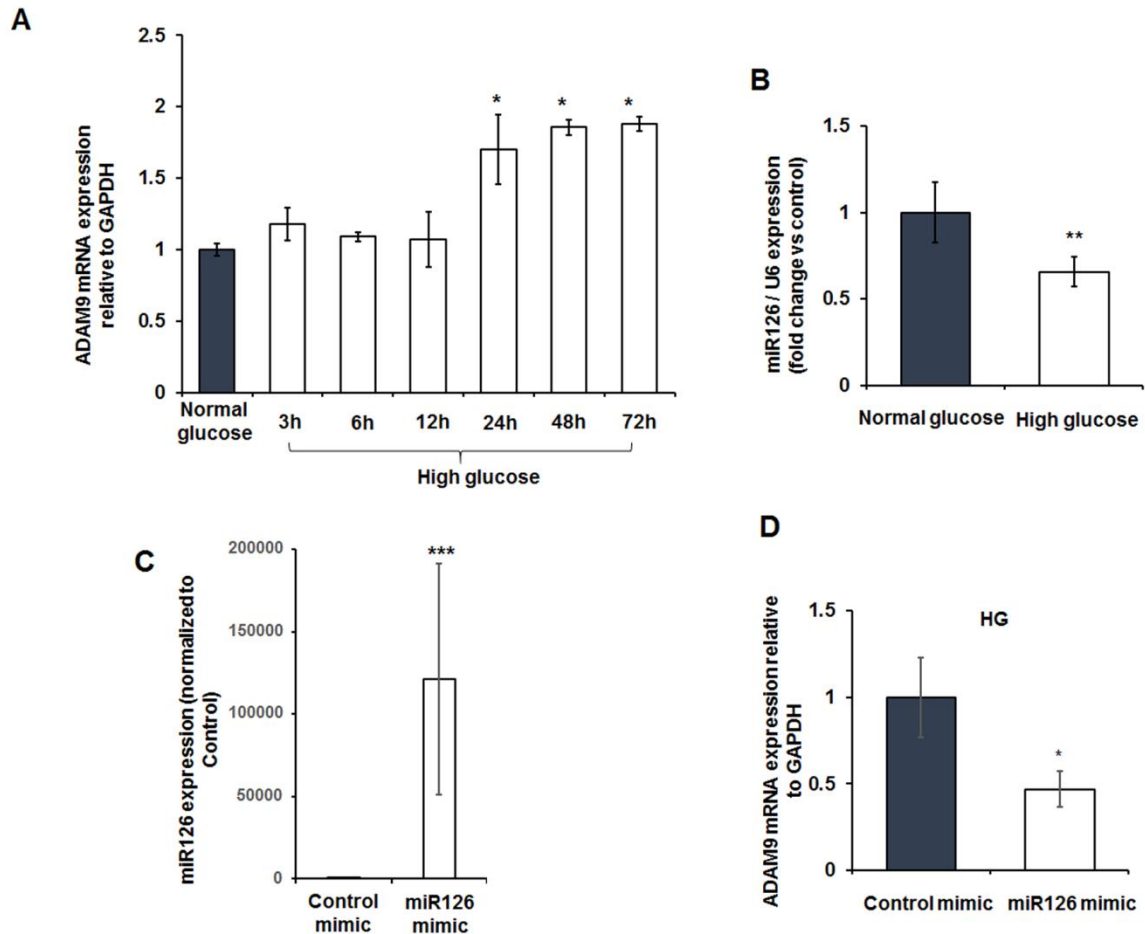


Figure S3: ADAM9 expression and miR-126 expression in RAW 264.7 cells.

(A) miR-126 expression measured in the RAW 264.7 cells subjected to normoglycemia (NG) and high glucose (HG) conditions (Normalized to U6, $n = 5$, $**P < 0.01$). (B) miR-126 mimic transfection in RAW 264.7 cells increases miR-126 expression as compared to control mimic transfections (normalized to U6, $n = 5$, $***P < 0.001$). (C) ADAM9 mRNA expression in RAW cells subjected to NG and HG conditions at indicated time point (normalized to GAPDH, $n = 3$, $*P < 0.05$). (D) Under high glucose condition, miR-126 mimic treated RAW 264.7 cells show decrease in ADAM9 mRNA levels compared to control mimic transfected cells ($n = 3$, $*P < 0.05$, normalized to control GAPDH).

Figure S4

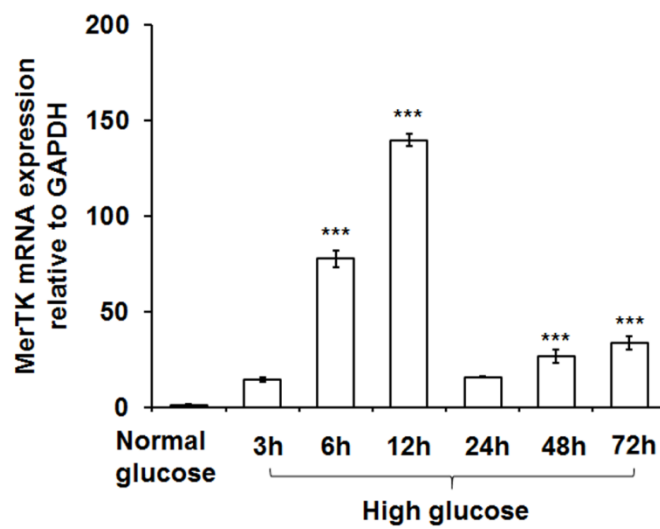


Figure S4: MerTK expression in RAW 264.7 cells exposed to high glucose.

MerTK mRNA expression in RAW 264.7 cells subjected to NG and HG conditions at indicated time points (normalized to GAPDH, n = 3, ***P < 0.05).