

Table S1 Patient characteristics

Variable	Healthy controls (21)	Type II Diabetes (21)	Type I Diabetes (8)	Diabetic Nephropathy (19)
Age (years)	37.4±3.3	46.9±2.0	33.9±3.9	52.7±3.1
Gender (Male: Female)	17:4:4	16:5	8:0	14:5
Serum Glucose(mM/L)	<6	12.3±1.1***	14.1±0.9***	12.73±0.8***
eGFR	93.2±0.6	89.4±4.5	77.1±11.8***	41.4±8.9***
Urine Protein	-	-	-	+1: 7 +2: 8 +3: 4

Note: —indicates the lack of proteinuria.

Table S2 mRNA primers

Gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer
<i>G3bp2</i>	CCTTGAGTGATGGTGTAGTGGTA	CTGTCTTCTTGCTCCTCTCCA
<i>P53</i>	GCCATCTACAAGAACGACAGC	CTTCCAGATACTCGGGATACAA
<i>Fn</i>	GAGTGGAAAGTGTGAGCGACAT	TGAGTCTGCGGTTGGTAAATAG
<i>Pai1</i>	GCCAGGGTTGCCTAAACAT	GCCTCCTCATCCTGCCTAA
<i>Colla1</i>	CGTATCACCAAACTCAGAAGATG	ACCAGGAGGACCAGGAAGTC
<i>Tgfb1</i>	GTGGAAATCAACGGGATCAG	ACTTCCAACCCAGGTCTTC
<i>Acta2</i>	GTTCAAGTGGTGCCTCTGTCA	ACTGGGACGACATGGAAAAG
<i>Timp1</i>	AGGTGGTCTCGTTGATTCT	GTAAGGCCTGTAGCTGTGCC
<i>Col4a1</i>	ATCCGGCCCTTCATTAGC	ACTGCGGAATCTGAATGGTC

Table S3G3BP2 mutant primers

Gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer
<i>Hsa-G3BP21</i>	AAT <u>CTCGAG</u> AGCTCCACTGTTGGCAAAGTCTT GGCAGTGGTACATTATTTCATCGTGTTCGCATT TTGTTAATT	AAT <u>GCGGCCG</u> CAAAGAAATGATCAAAAGGCTGTG TCACATTCAAAGCCAAAAAAAATTAACAAGAAC GCAAACA
<i>Hsa-G3BP22</i>	GG <u>CGGCTCGAG</u> CACAGCCTTTGATCATT	AAT <u>GCGGCCG</u> CTGTTAAGGTTATGTGTA
<i>Hsa-G3BP2-mut1</i>	GCTTGTTACACTCACAGCCTTTGATC	GGCTGTGAGTGTAAACCAAGCCAAAAAAA
<i>Hsa-G3BP2-mut2</i>	TTCTTGTACACTAAAGCATCTTGGTTATC	ATGCTTAGTGTACAAAGAAATGATCAAAAG

Underlined sequences indicate the endonuclease restriction site

Table S4miRNA abundance

miRNA name	NG (Ct)
miR-U6	16.37 ± 0.04
miR-23a*	25.39 ± 0.09
miR-23b*	23.83 ± 0.04
miR-25	16.42 ± 0.04
miR-29a	28.99 ± 0.07
miR-29b	ND
miR-29c	32.22 ± 0.07
miR-32	33.37 ± 0.17
miR-33a	34.16 ± 0.09
miR-92a*	20.09 ± 0.06
miR-92b*	22.04 ± 0.07
miR-129-5p	23.88 ± 0.14
miR-137	33.88 ± 0.61
miR-363	ND
miR-367	31.03 ± 0.11
miR-383	ND
miR-146a	28.80 ± 0.05

ND = not detected

Supporting Figure Legends

Figure S1: A-C: Representative image of H&E, PAS, and anti-FN staining from kidney sections of wild-type mice and 3-month-old mice with type 1 diabetes; D: quantification of *miR-23a* expression in the serum of patients with T1DM or T2DM diabetes and DN; E: Quantification of *miR-23a* expression in mice with type 1 diabetes (Dia) and non-diabetic controls (Con); F: Quantification of *miR-23b* transfection efficiency in HK-2 cells exposed to HG; G: Quantification of *miR-23a* in HK-2 cells after *miR-23b* mimic transfection; H: Quantification of *G3BP2* mRNA in HK-2 cells after *miR-23b* mimic transfection; I-J: Quantification of *miR-23a/b* in HK-2 cells after *miR-23b* antagonir transfection; K: Quantification of *G3BP2* mRNA expression after *G3BP2* siRNA was transfected into HK-2 cells exposed to HG; L: Diagram showing consensus P53 binding sites in the *miR-23b* promoter as determined by bioinformatics (PROMO) analyses; M: Western blotting for p38, phosphorylated p38 (p-p38), p53, phosphorylated p53 (p-p53), and G3BP2 from HK-2 cells treated with *G3BP2* siRNA and p38 inhibitor SB203580 (β -actin as loading control); N: Protein network construction Venn diagram of human miR-23b. (*, **, and *** indicate $p < 0.05$, $p < 0.01$, and $p < 0.001$, respectively).

Figure S2: A-B: *miR-23b* and *G3BP2*mRNA expression level in the *db/db* mouse kidney after treatment with *miR-23b* angamior [miR-23b(+)] or injection of *G3BP2*siRNA for 1 month; C-D: *miR-23a/b* expression level and as correlated with

the serum TGF β 1 protein levels from DN patients; E-F: Quantification of kidney weight and as a ratio of body weight from *miR-23b* angamior- and *G3BP2*siRNA-treated *db/db* mice; G: Quantification of the thickness of the glomerular basement membrane (GBM) from different mice; H: Western blotting for p38, p-p38, p53, p-p53, and β -actin in HK-2 cells following a 24-hour treatment with p38MAPK inhibitor SB203580. I: Immunofluorescence and immunochemistry for , *G3BP2* and FN, FSP1, anti-smooth muscle actin (α -SMA) from different kidney sections. (*, **, and *** indicates $p < 0.05$, $p < 0.01$, $p < 0.001$ respectively).

Figure S3: A-C: Quantification of *p53*, *miR-23b*, and *G3BP2* mRNA expression from the kidneys of *db/db* mice (n=5) following a 1-month injection with *p53*siRNA; D-E: Quantification of proteinuria and creatinine level from *db/db* mice following a 1-month injection with *p53*siRNA; F: Representative images of H&E (top panel), PAS(second panel), anti-smooth muscle actin (α -SMA,third panel), and TEM (fourth panel) staining from kidney sections of *p53*siRNA-treated *db/db* mice; G-H: Quantification of α -SMA positive area within glomeruli from Figure F) and GBM thickening. (*, **, and *** indicates $p < 0.05$, $p < 0.01$, and $p < 0.001$, respectively).

Figure S4: A:*miR-23b* and *G3BP2*mRNA expression level in normal mice (n=4) kidney tissues after *miR-23b* antagonir injection for 1 month; B: Representative images of Collagen I(top panel),Collagen IV (second panel), α -SMA (third panel), FSP1 (fourth panel) in *miR-23b* antagonir-treated mouse kidneys and quantification

of the thickness of the glomerular basement membrane (GBM,fifth panel) from mice treated with *miR-23b* antagomir or miRNEG. (*, **, and *** indicates $p < 0.05$, $p < 0.01$, and $p < 0.001$, respectively).

Fig. S5: Protein network construction of miRNA candidate targets.

Fig.S1

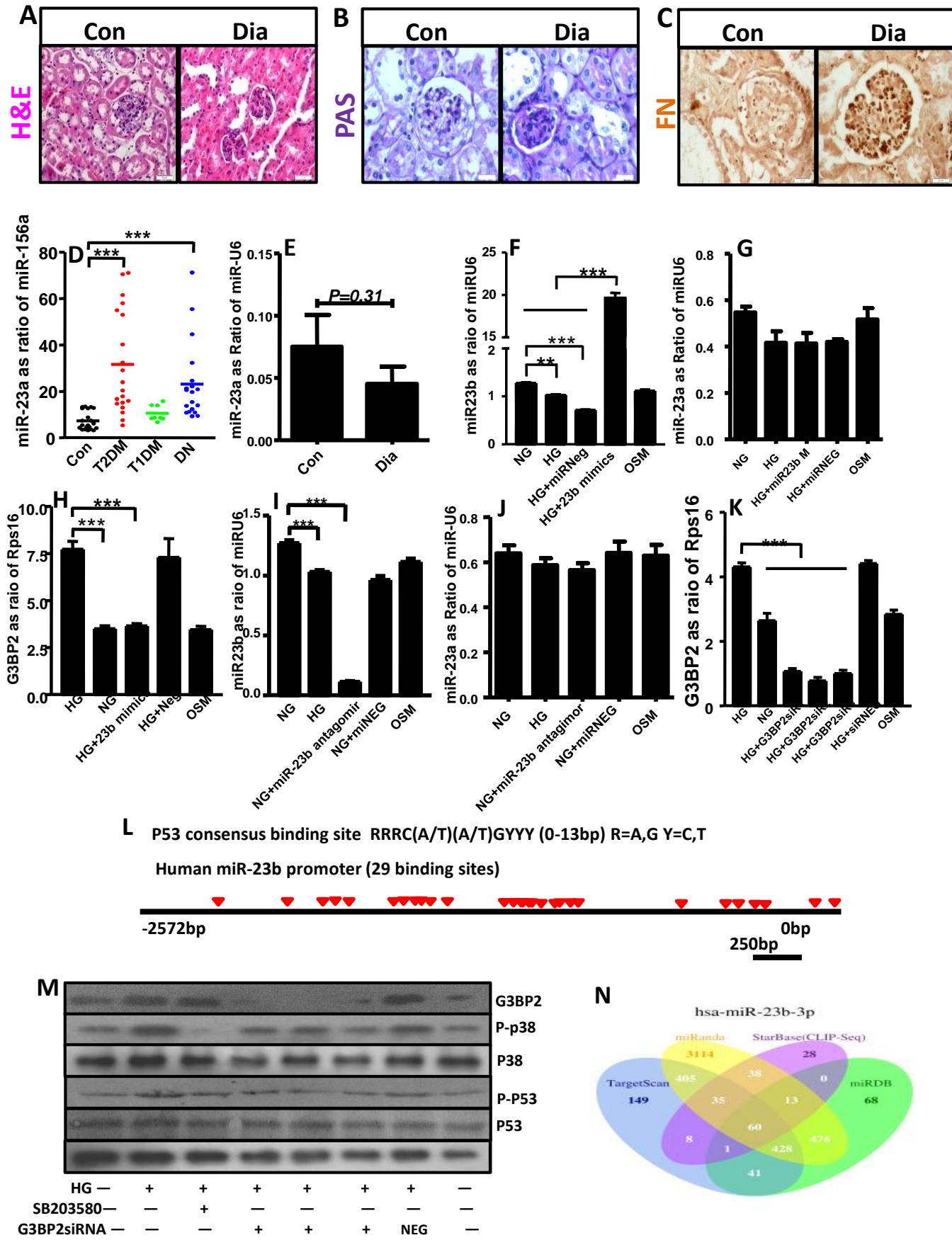


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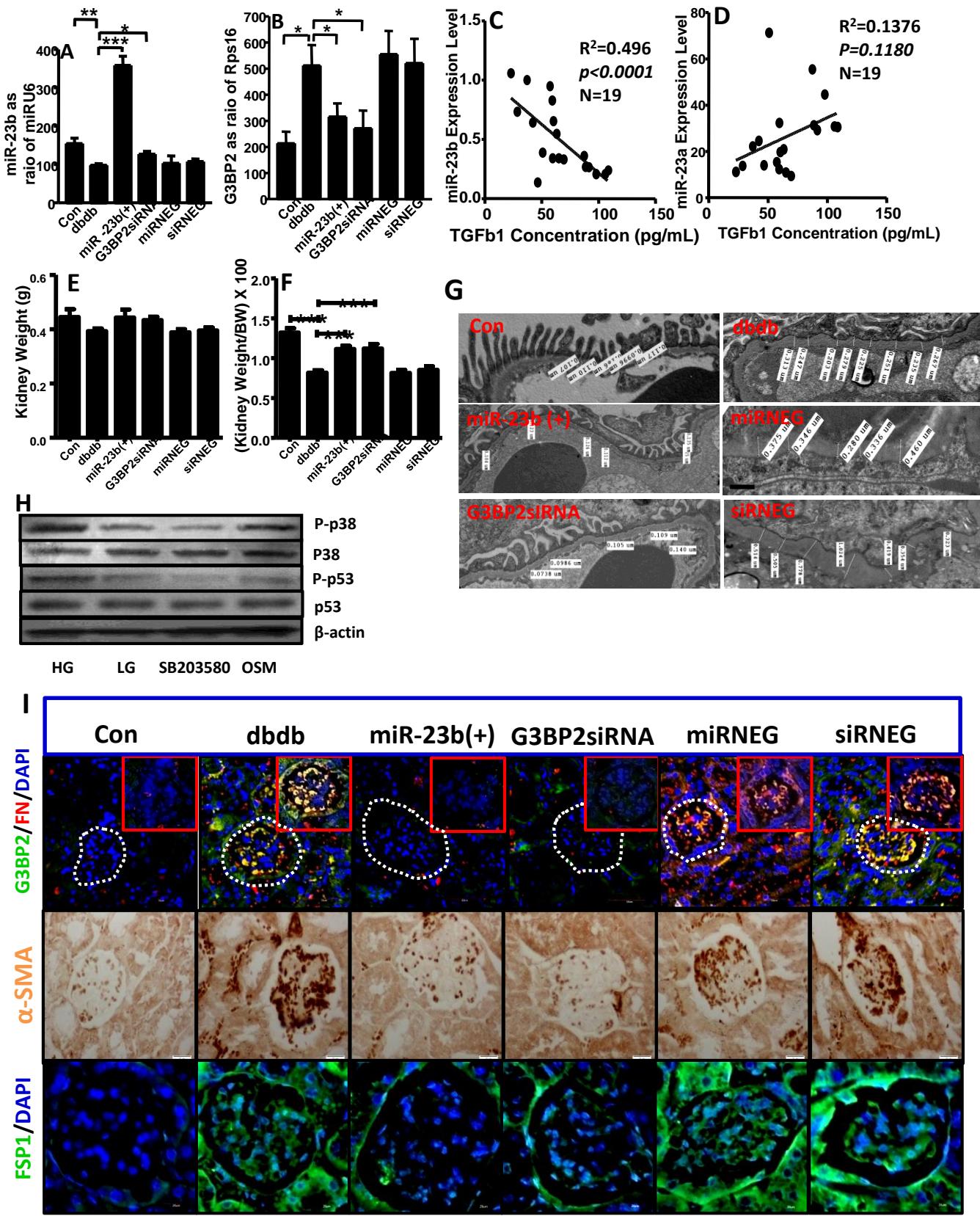


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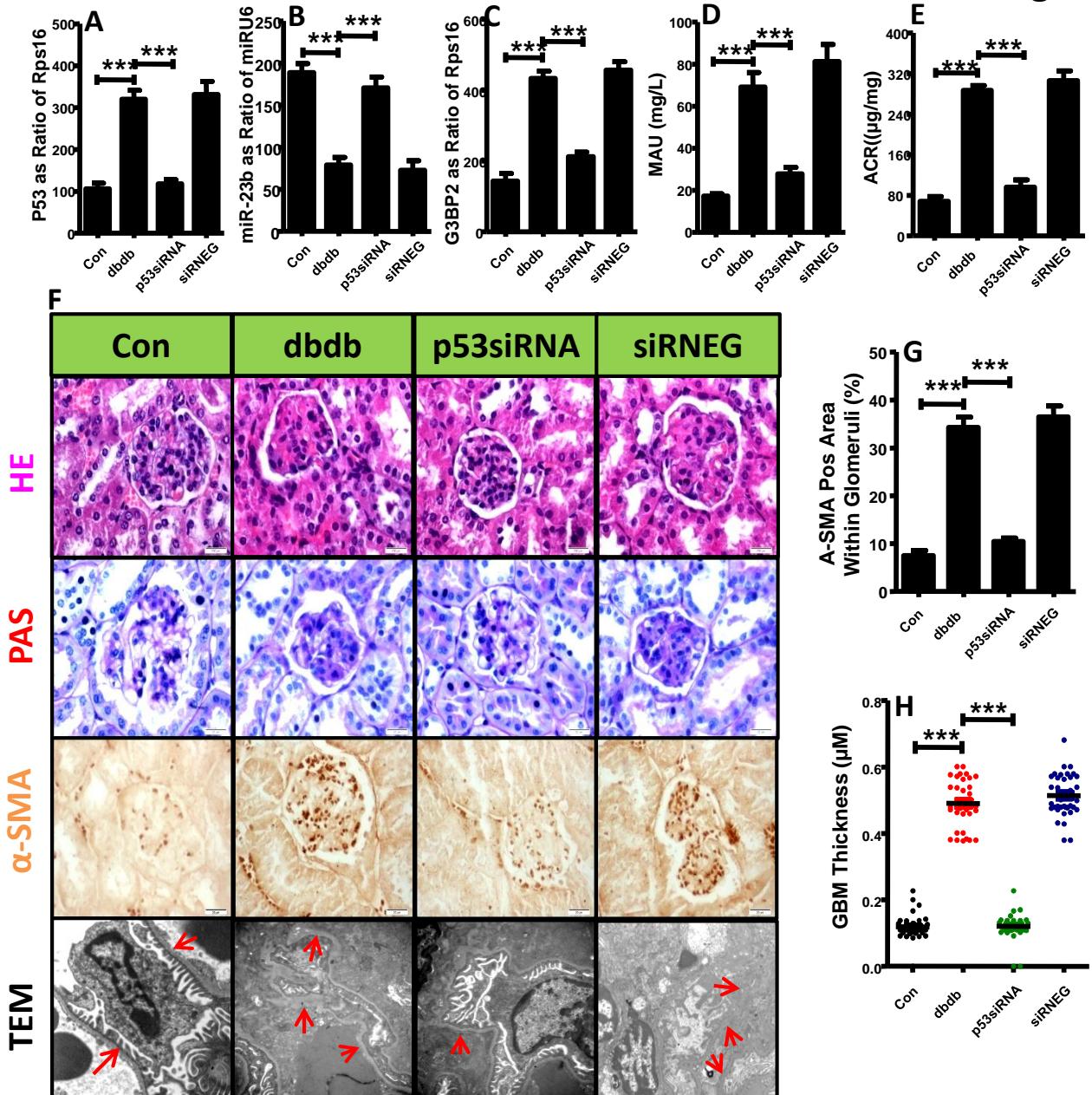


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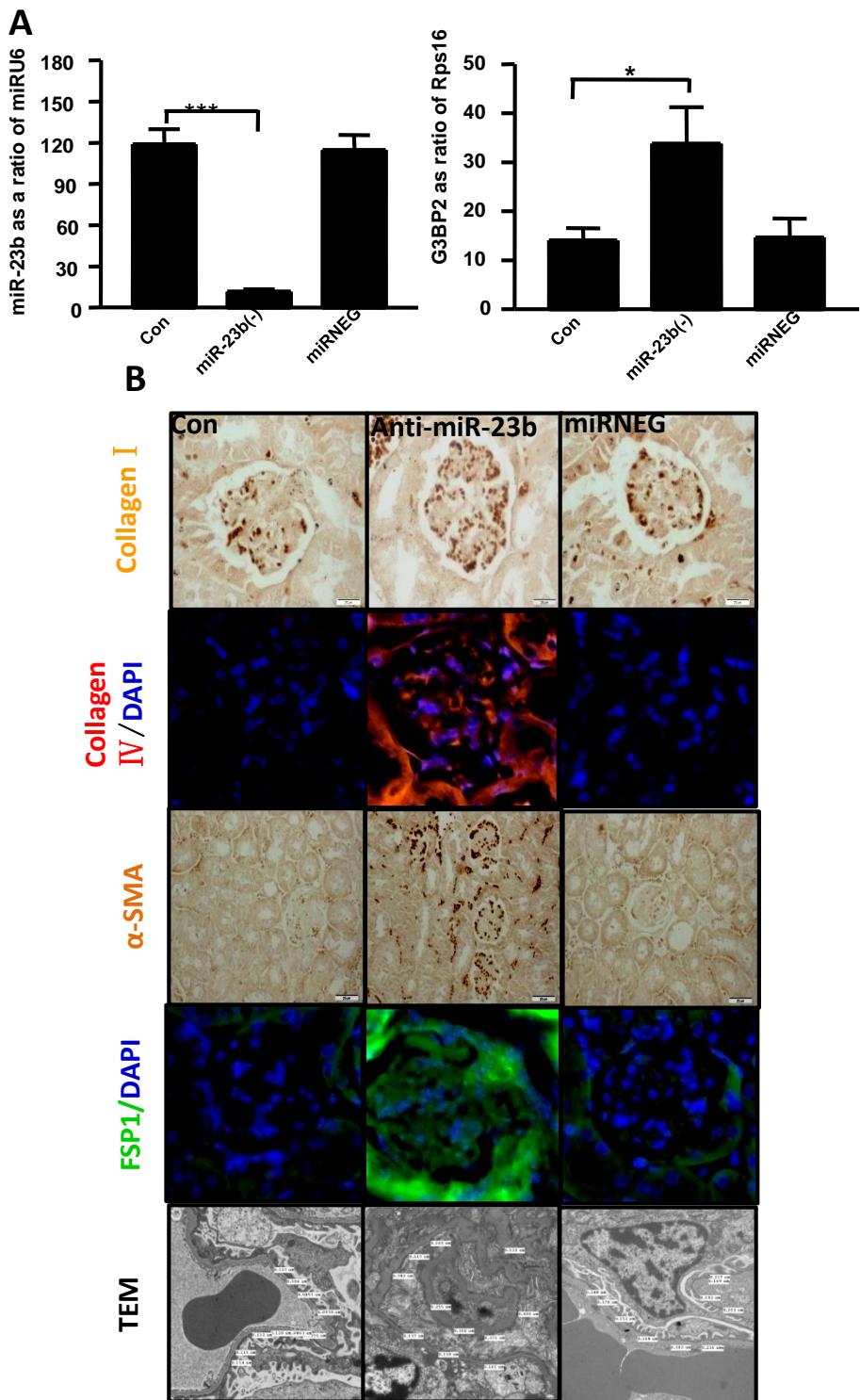


Fig.S5

