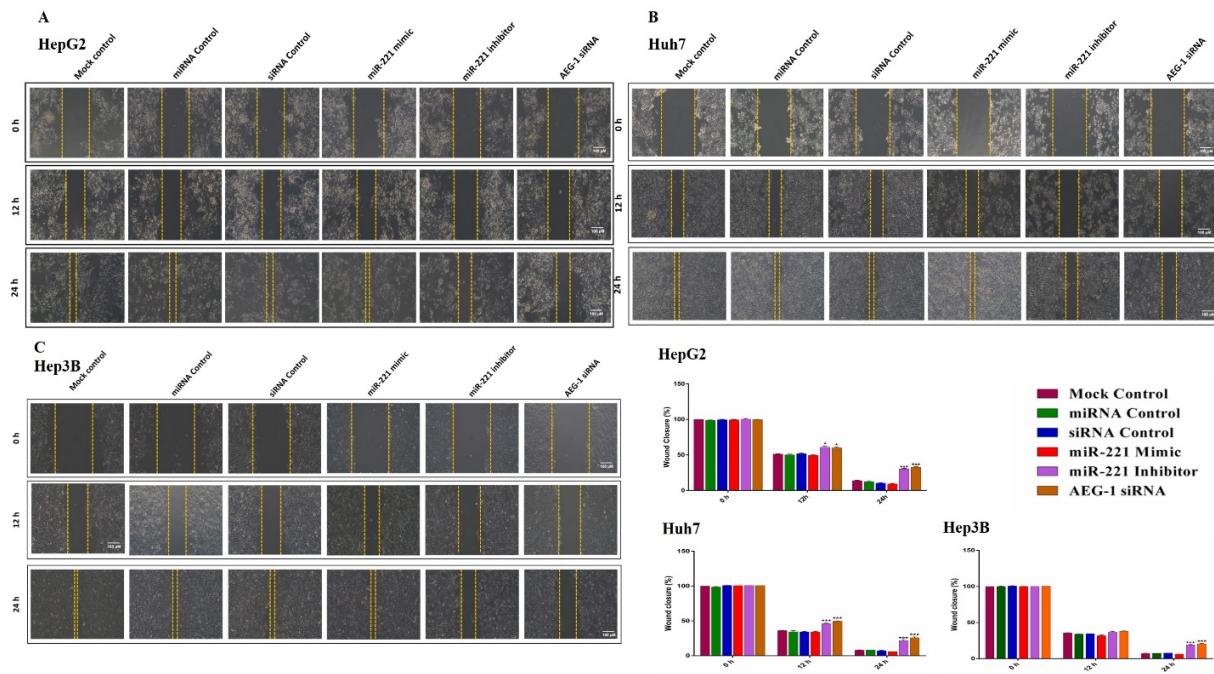


## Supplementary Materials

**Supplementary Figure S1:**



**Supplementary Figure S1.** Silencing of AEG-1 and miR-221 inhibits HCC cellular proliferation *in vitro*. The effect of the miR-221/AEG-1 measured on HCC cell proliferation in the miR-221 mimic, miR-221 inhibitor, AEG-1 siRNA, and their corresponding controls transfected HepG2, Huh7, and Hep3B cells by scratch assay (A, B, and C) *in vitro*. The wound gap was quantified in different time intervals ( 0, 12, and 24 h) using Image J (NIH) (scale bar, 100  $\mu$ m). Error bars presented as mean  $\pm$  s.d and P-value represented as \*\*P<0.01, \*\*\*P< 0.001 compared to the corresponding controls.

**Supplementary Table S1:**

Primers List

**miR-221 and U6 Reverse Transcription (RT) Primer**

S.No	Gene	RT
1	miR-221	5'- GTCGTATCCAGTGCAGGGTCCGAGGTATTGCACGGATACGACGAAACC -3'
2	U6	5'-AACGCTTCACGAATTGCGT-3'

**qRT-PCR Primer**

S. No	Gene	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
1.	miR-221	5'- CGCAGCTACATTGTCTGCTGG-3'	5'- GTGCAGGGTCCGAGGT-3'
2	U6	5'-CTCGCTTCGGCAGCACA-3'	5'-AACGCTTCACGAATTGCGT-3'
3	AEG-1	5'-AAATAGCCAGCCTATCAAGACTC-3'	5'-TTCAGACTTGGTCTGTGAAGGAG-3'
4.	LSF	5'-GGGTGCCATTCCGAGTACAA-3'	5'-GCCGAGTGTAAGTGCTCAGT-3'
5	MMP9	5'-CCTGGGCAGATTCCAAACCT-3'	5'-CAAAGGCGTCGTCAATCAC-3'
6	P57	5'-GTGAGCCAAGGCCAAAGAG-3'	5'-TGCTACATGAACGGTCCCAG-3'
7	P53	5'-CCTCTCCCCAGCCAAAGAAG-3'	5'-TCTCGGAACATCTGAAGCG-3'
8	RB1	5'-GTCCGGTTTTCTCAGGGGA-3'	5'-GCGAGCTGTGGAGGAGC-3'
9	OPN	5'-TGACCCATCTCAGAACAGCAA-3'	5'-CTTACTTGAAGGGTCTGTGGG-3'
10	PTEN	5'-TGCAGGTGACATCAAAGTAGAG-3'	5'-CTCTGGCCTGGTATGAAGAATG-3'
11	Bcl-2	5'-GTGAACTGGGGAGGATTGT-3'	5'-GGAGAAATCAAACAGAGGCC-3'
12	PI3K	5'- CCCCTCCATCAACTTCTTCA-3'	5'-CGGTTGCCTACTGGTTCAAT-3'
13	Akt	5'-GGGTTCTCCCAGGAGGTTT-3'	5'-GTCCATGGTGTCTACCCA-3'
14	LC3A	5'-GACTCCATGGCTTCCGAGTT-3'	5'-GTCCACAGCTGCTTTCCAC-3'
15	GAPDH	5'-ATGGGGAAGGTGAAGGTCG-3'	5'-GGGTCAATTGATGGCAACAATATC-3'