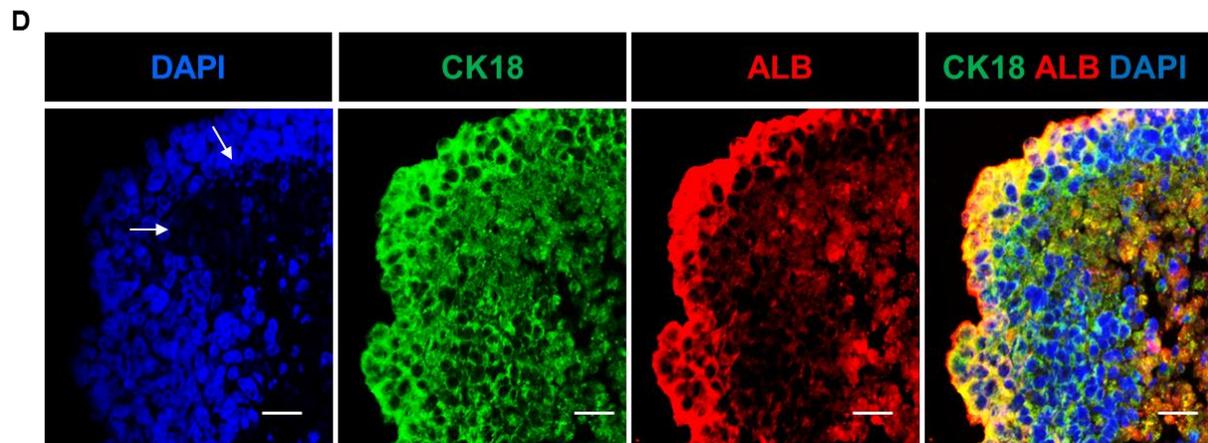
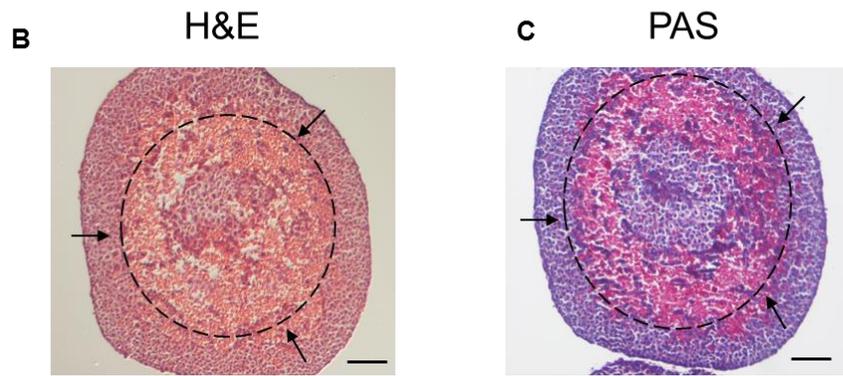
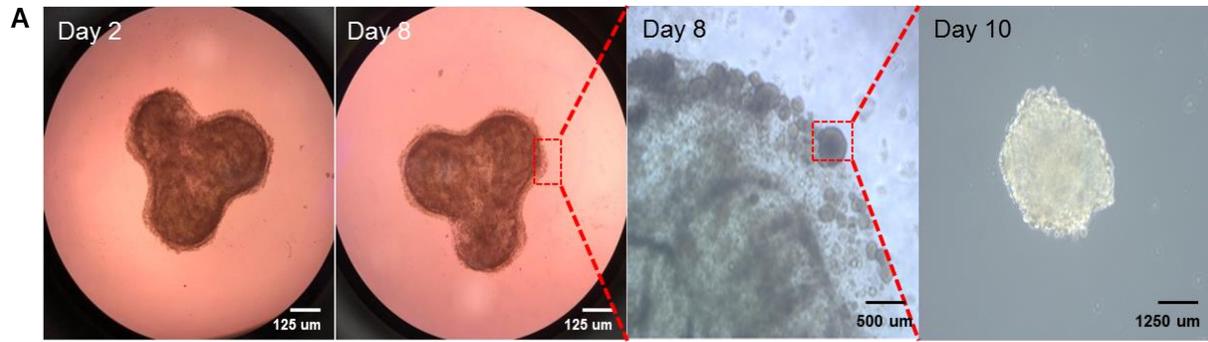


**Supplementary figure 1.** GeIXA LAMININK521 is the most appropriate bioink for encapsulated cells to maintain inherent phenotype within bio-printed hepatic constructs.

- (A) Representative images for live/dead staining with calcein AM (green) and PI (red) in bio-printed hepatic constructs generated using GelXA LAMININK111, GelXA LAMININK121 and GelXA LAMININK521 on days 1, 3, 5 and 7. Scale bar = 200  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- (B) Quantification of encapsulated cells viability in bio-printed hepatic constructs generated using GelXA LAMININK111, GelXA LAMININK121 and GelXA LAMININK521. Line graph represents viability of the cells in different types of bioink for 7 days. Greater than 95% viability was noted in all groups, and no significant differences were noted between one day after bioprinting. On day 7, cell viability was the highest in the bio-printed hepatic construct printed with GelXA LAMININK521.
- (C) Representative H&E images for bio-printed hepatic constructs generated using GelXA LAMININK111, GelXA LAMININK121 and GelXA LAMININK521 on day 14. Scale bar = 250  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- (D) Gene expression profiles showing *PROX 1*, *CYP1A2*, and *CYP3A4* expression levels in bio-printed hepatic constructs generated using GelXA LAMININK111, GelXA LAMININK121 and GelXA LAMININK521. All error bars represent the means  $\pm$  S.D. from three separate experiments. One-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's test were used for the statistical analysis. \* $p < 0.05$  and \*\* $p < 0.01$ .
- (E) Representative immunofluorescence images of 3D bio-printed hepatic constructs generated in different bioinks. Sections were stained with CK18 (green) and ALB (red) on day 14. Scale bar=250  $\mu\text{m}$ .



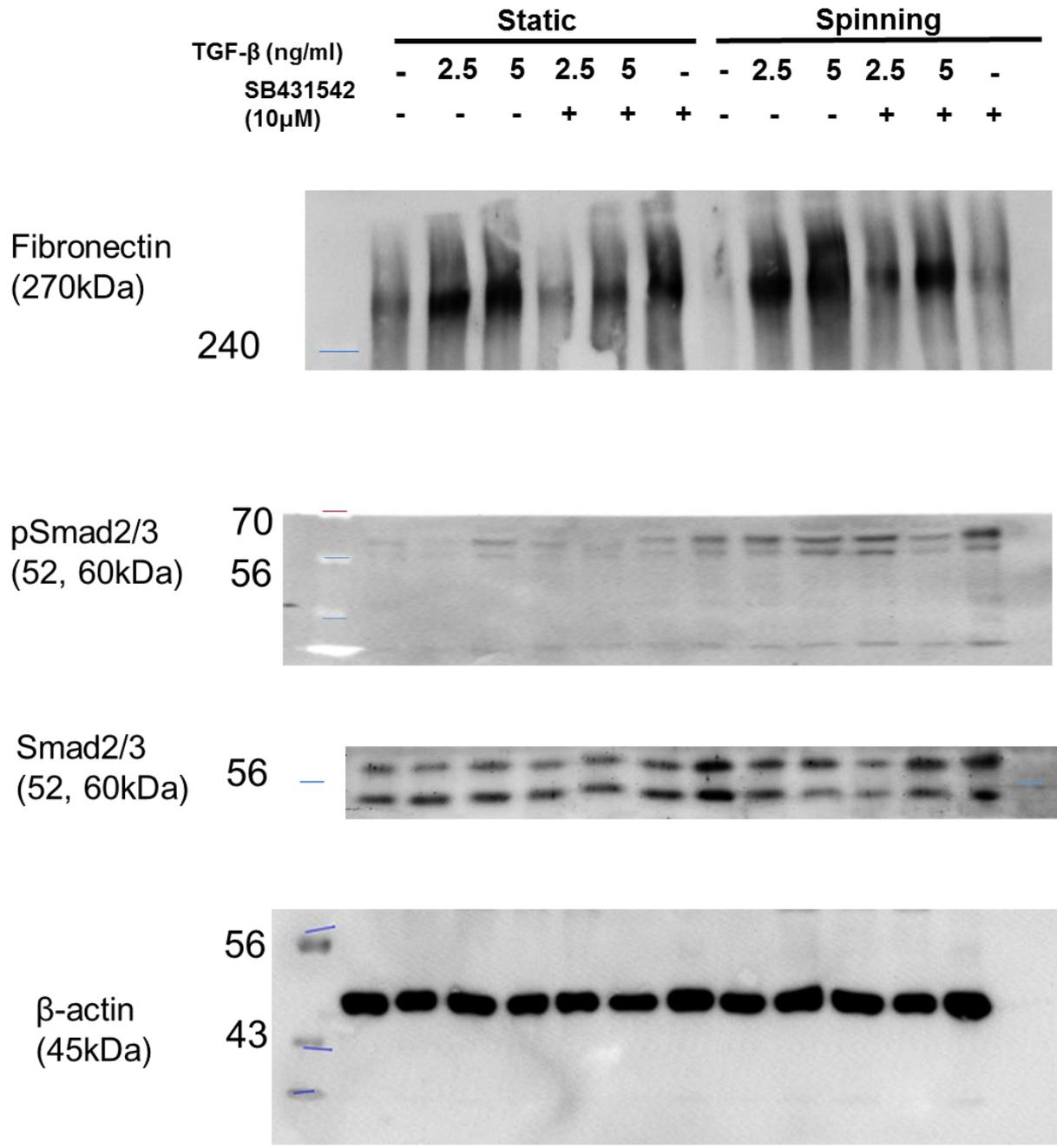
**Supplementary figure 2.** Characterization of self-generated spheroids from 3D bio-printed hepatic constructs.

(A) Representative growth based on bright field images for 3D bio-printed hepatic construct on days 2 and 8. Magnified bright field images show a spheroid generated from bio-printed hepatic

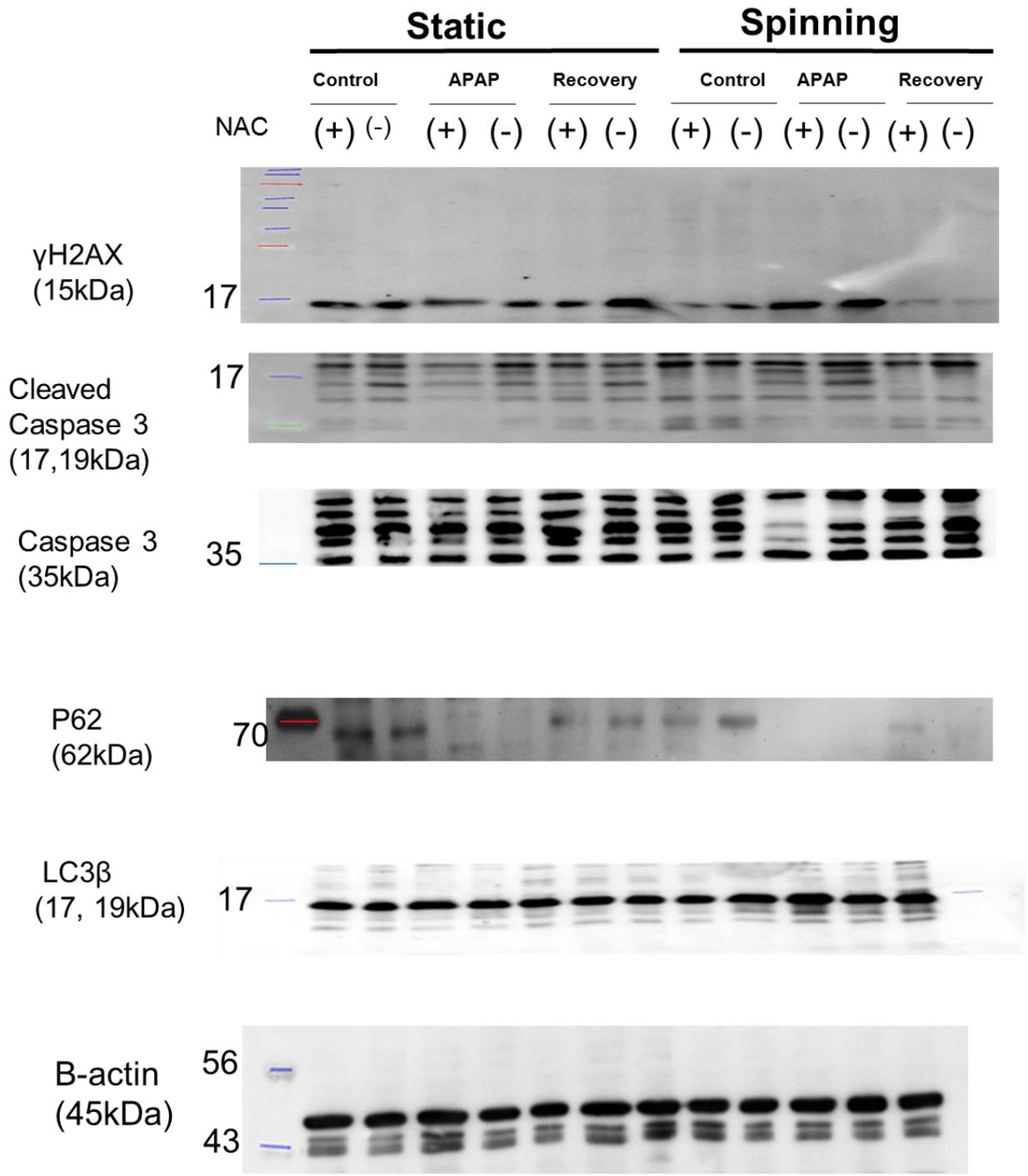
constructs that migrated from bio-printed structures on day 8 and cultured in 96 well ultra low-attachment plates for 7 days (total culture day 15).

**(B-C)** Representative images of spheroids from bio-printed hepatic constructs stained with (B) H&E and (C) Periodic acid schiff (PAS) on total culture day 15. Scale bar = 100  $\mu\text{m}$ . Arrow heads indicate the necrotic cell debris and damaged cells.

**(D)** Representative immunofluorescence images of spheroids released from 3D bio-printed hepatic construct on total culture day 15. Sections were stained with ALB (red) and CK18 (green). Scale bar = 100  $\mu\text{m}$ . Arrow heads indicate the necrotic cell debris and damaged cells.



**Supplementary figure 3.** Whole western blots that show all bands with marker for Fibronectin, pSmad2/3, Smad2/3 and  $\beta$ -actin.



**Supplementary figure 4.** Whole western blots that show all bands with marker for  $\gamma$ H2AX, Cleaved caspase 3, caspase 3, p62, LC3 $\beta$  and  $\beta$ -actin.

**Table 1. List of primary antibodies**

Description	Company	Product number
Cytokeratin 18	Millipore	MAB3234
Albumin	Genetex	102419
Cleaved caspase 3	Cell signaling	9664
Caspase-3	Cell signaling	9662s
LC3B	Novus	NB100-2331
p62	BD Bioscience	610832
Phospho Histone H2A.X	Merck	05-636
Fibronectin	Abcam	ab2413
phosphoSmad2/3	Cell signaling	8828
Smad2/3	Cell signaling	8685
GAPDH	Santa Cruz	sc-47724

**Table 2. List of oligonucleotide primers used in real-time PCR experiments**

Gene	Forward Primer Sequence (5'-3')	Reverse Primer Sequence (5'-3')
PROX1	CAGCCCGAAAAGAACAGAAG	GGGTCTAGCTCGCACATCTC
CYP1A2	GTCATTGGTGCCATGTGCTT	TTAGGCAGGTAGCGAAGGATG
CYP3A4	CAATAAGGCACCACCCACCT	CACCACCCCTTTGGGAATGA
TWIST1	TCTCAAGAGGTCGTGCCAATC	TGACTATGGTTTTGCAGGCCA
SNAIL1	TAGCGAGTGGTTCTTCTGCG	AGGGCTGCTGGAAGGTAAAC
SNAIL2	ATCACTGTGTGGACTACCGC	TCACTCGCCCCAAAGATGAG
CDH1	TGGACCGAGAGAGTTTCCCT	ACGACGTTAGCCTCGTTCTC
CDH2	AGGCGTTATGTGTGTATCTTCACT	CTGCCACTTGCCACTTTTCC
TNF $\alpha$	CACAGTGAAGTGCTGGCAAC	GATCAAAGCTGTAGGCCCCA
IL-1 $\beta$	CTGAGCTCGCCAGTGAAATG	TGTTTAGGGCCATCAGCTTCA
IL-6	TCAATATTAGAGTCTCAACCCCA	TTCTCTTTCGTTCCCGGTGG
IL-10	GGCACCCAGTCTGAGAACAG	ACTCTGCTGAAGGCATCTCG