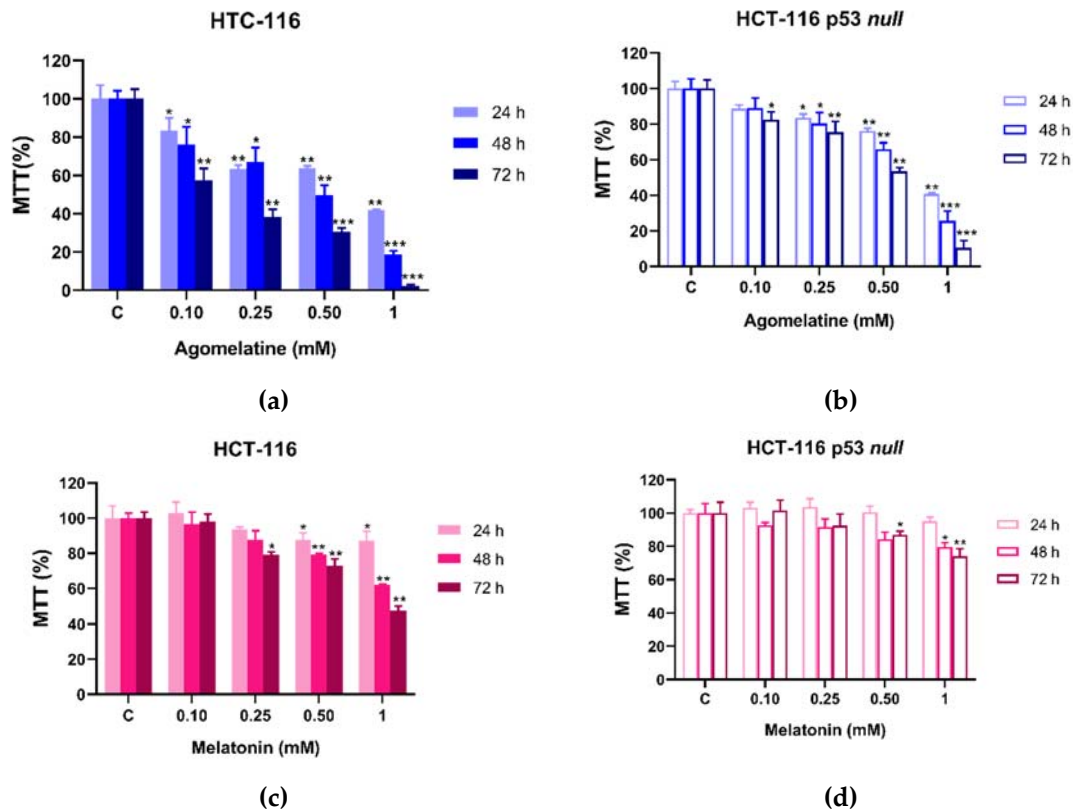


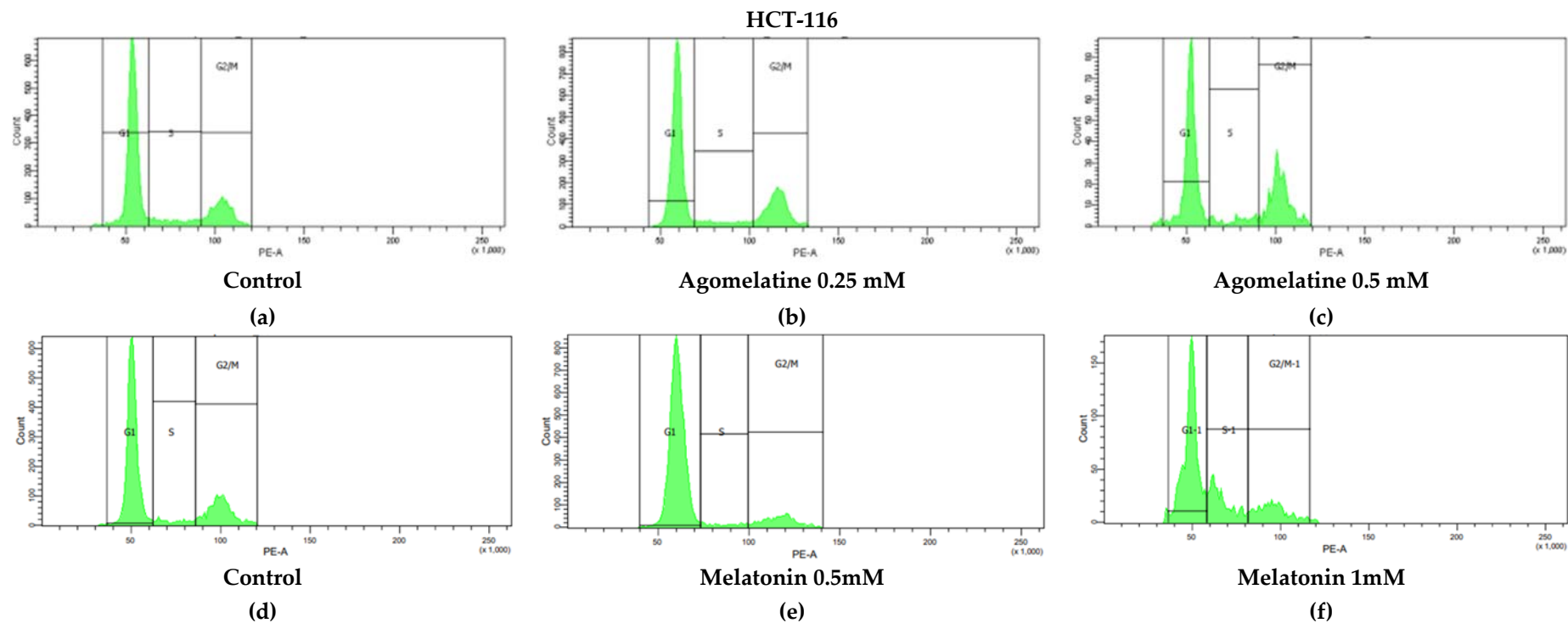
# SUPPLEMENTARY

**Table S1:** primers used in this study

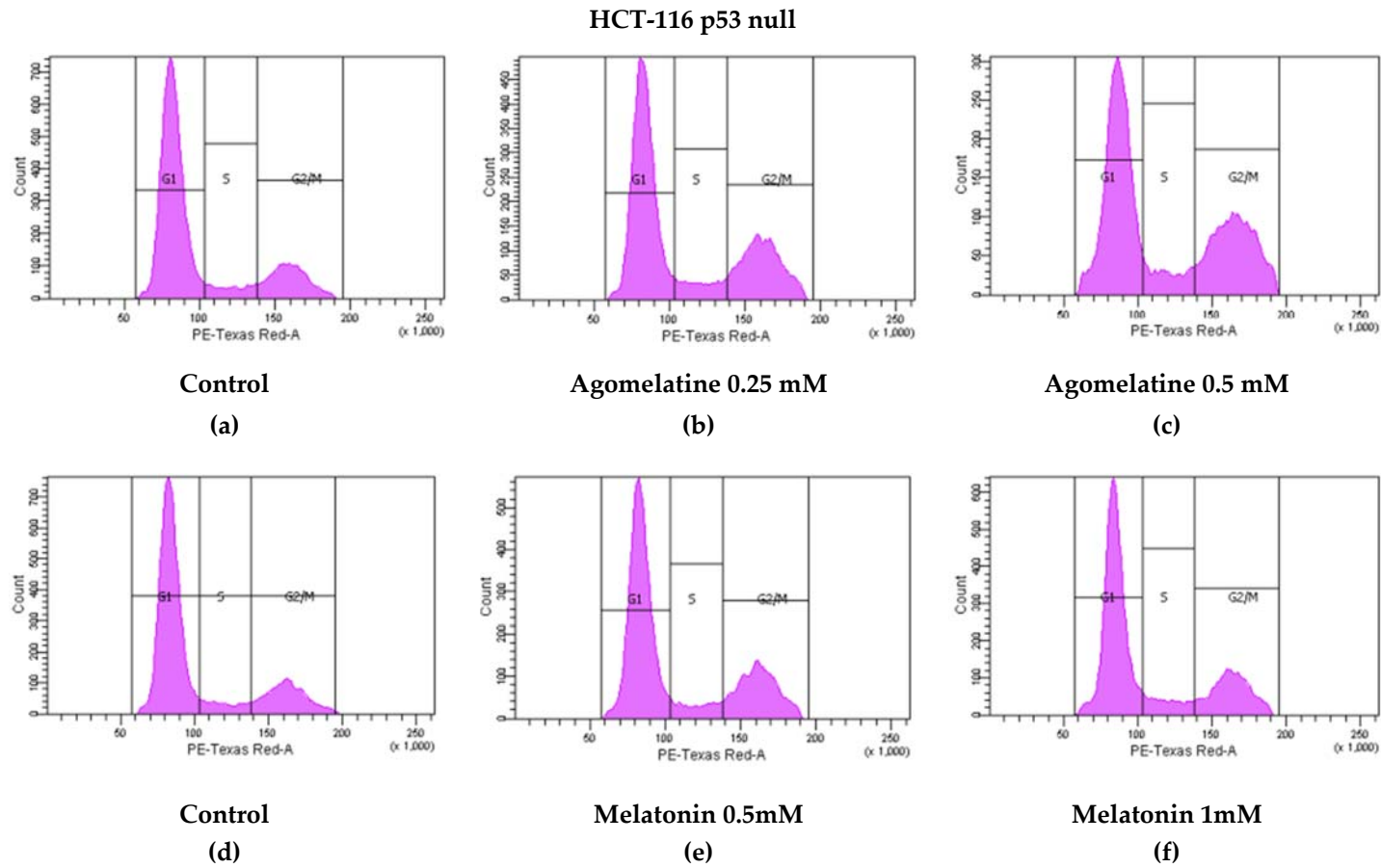
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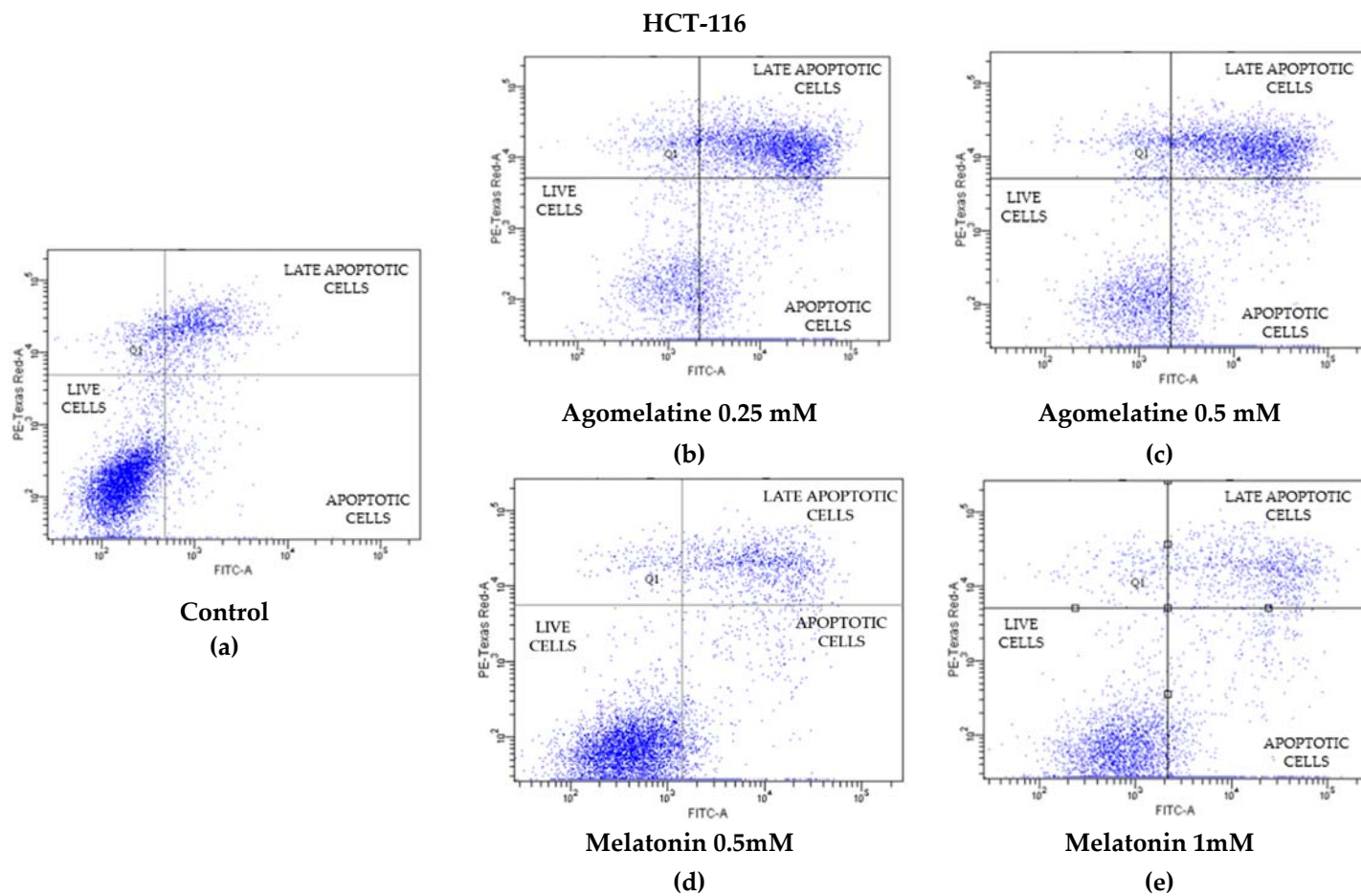
**Figure S1.** Growth inhibition of HCT-116 and HCT-116 p53 null cells after treatment with (a) (c) agomelatine (0-1 mM) and (b) (d) melatonin (0-1 mM) for 24, 48 and 72 hours. The results represented the mean  $\pm$  SD of 3 experiments performed in quadruplicate. \*P<0.05 vs C; \*\*P<0.01 vs C; \*\*\*P<0.001 vs C.



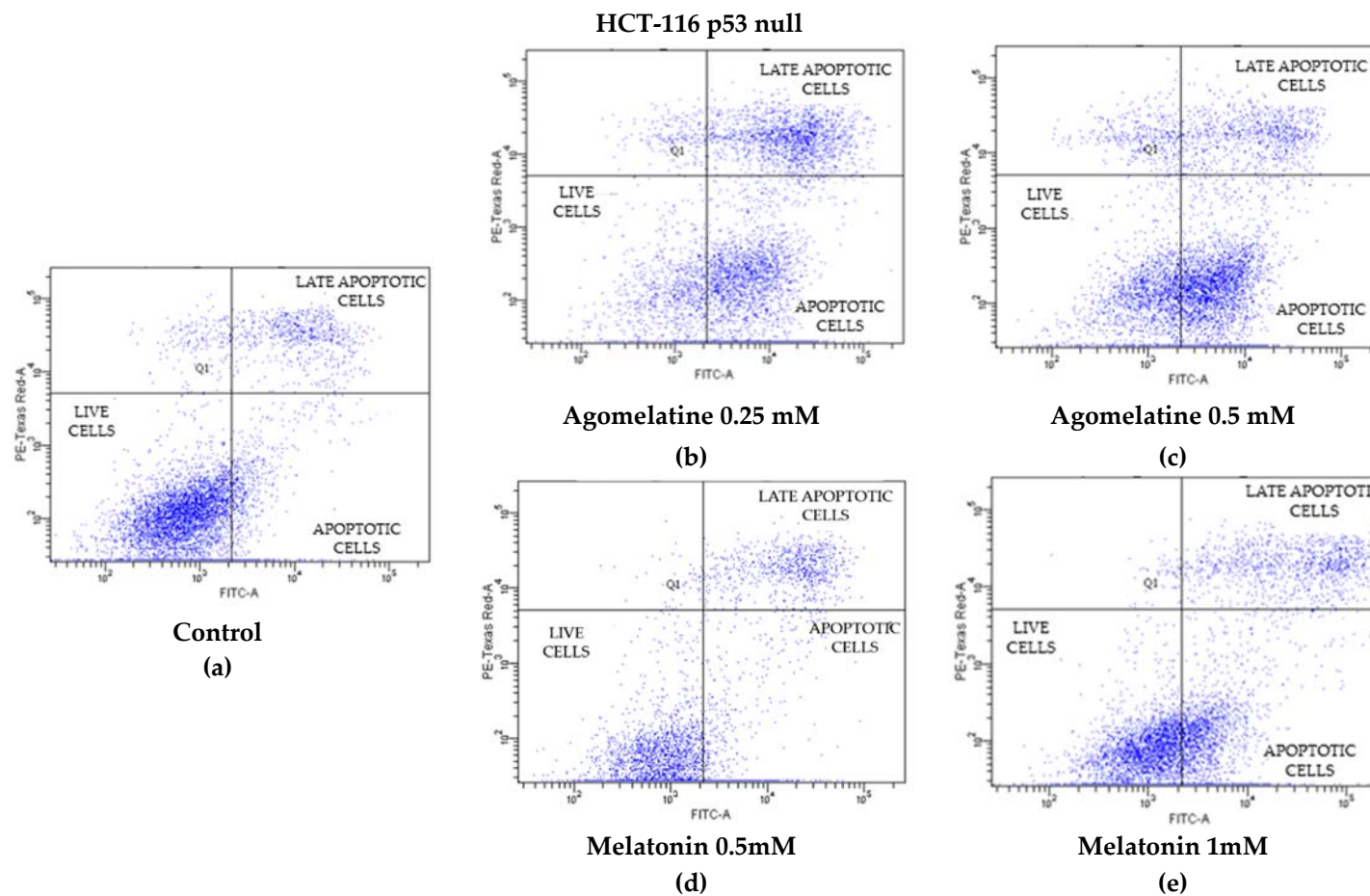
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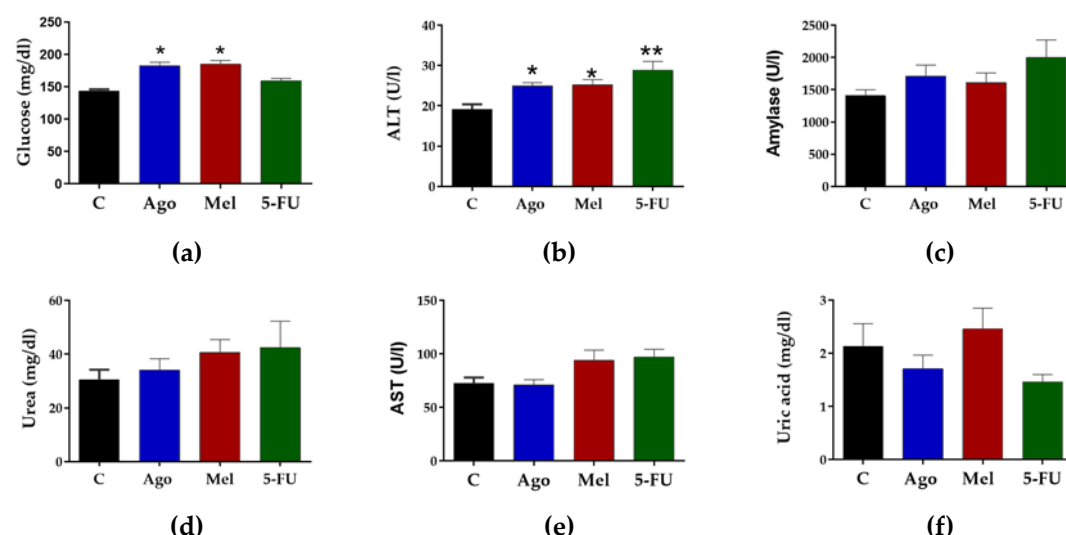
**Figure S3.** Raw data of cell cycle analysis by flow cytometry in HCT-116 p53 null cell line after treatment with agomelatine or melatonin.



**Figure S4.** Raw data of apoptosis analysis by flow cytometry in HCT-116 cell line after treatment with agomelatine or melatonin.



**Figure S5.** Raw data of apoptosis analysis by flow cytometry in HCT-116 cell line after treatment with agomelatine or melatonin.



**Figure S6.** Levels of glucose (a), alanine aminotransferase (ALT) (b), amylase (c), urea (d), aspartame aminotransferase (e) and uric acid (f) in blood, present after the sacrifice of the animals. \*  $P<0.05$  C vs. Ago/Mel; \*\* $P<0.01$  C vs. 5-FU.

**Table S2.** Results at 24 hours of the cosinor analysis of the clock genes expression after agomelatine or melatonin treatments in the HCT-116 cell line.

Gene	Treatment	PR <sup>1</sup>	P-value <sup>2</sup>	Amplitude (A.U.) <sup>3</sup>	Acrophase (h) <sup>4</sup>	MESOR (A.U.)
Per1	Control	81.32	<0.0001	$1.63 \pm 0.20$	$3.38 \pm 0.95$	$5.93 \pm 0.143$
	Ago 0.5	45.07	0.0112	$6.06 \pm 1.73^*$	$10.24 \pm 2.18^*$	$8.49 \pm 1.22^*$
	Mel 1	72.88	0.0001	$4.78 \pm 0.75^*$	$5.46 \pm 0.86$	$6.84 \pm 1.06$
Per2	Control	73.84	<0.0001	$0.087 \pm 0.013$	$1.69 \pm 0.59$	$0.293 \pm 0.009$
	Ago 0.5	59.78	0.0011	$0.155 \pm 0.033$	$8.75 \pm 0.81$	$0.343 \pm 0.023^{***}$
	Mel 1	35.93	0.0355	$0.118 \pm 0.041$	$5.39 \pm 1.32$	$0.305 \pm 0.029^{*,\#}$
Per3	Control	76.86	<0.0001	$0.73 \pm 0.10$	$6.76 \pm 0.54$	$0.83 \pm 0.07$
	Ago 0.5	62.12	0.0007	$1.09 \pm 0.22$	$7.05 \pm 0.77$	$1.25 \pm 0.16$
	Mel 1	63.79	0.0005	$1.70 \pm 0.33^{*,\#}$	$7.07 \pm 0.74$	$1.47 \pm 0.23^*$
Cry1	Control	74.52	<0.0001	$2.03 \pm 0.31$	$6.34 \pm 0.96$	$3.78 \pm 0.22$
	Ago 0.5	67.37	0.0002	$2.18 \pm 0.39$	$9.78 \pm 1.76^*$	$4.15 \pm 0.28$
	Mel 1	72.36	0.0001	$3.19 \pm 0.51^*$	$6.80 \pm 1.09$	$4.79 \pm 0.36^{\#}$
Clock	Control	8.75	0.5033	$0.021 \pm 0.018$	$6.91 \pm 5.77$	$0.265 \pm 0.012$
	Ago 0.5	63.61	0.0005	$0.108 \pm 0.021^*$	$3.49 \pm 0.68$	$0.195 \pm 0.015^*$
	Mel 1	28.22	0.0832	$0.110 \pm 0.046^*$	$7.07 \pm 2.91$	$0.400 \pm 0.032^{***,\#\#}$
Bmal1	Control	44.46	0.0121	$0.0053 \pm 0.0029$	$13.25 \pm 3.83$	$0.020 \pm 0.001$
	Ago 0.5	18.65	0.2126	$0.0059 \pm 0.0029$	$11.61 \pm 6.25$	$0.036 \pm 0.002^{***}$
	Mel 1	3.00	0.7956	$0.0023 \pm 0.0034$	$8.44 \pm 12.41$	$0.023 \pm 0.002^{***}$
Nr1d2	Control	74.52	<0.0001	$2.10 \pm 0.43$	$10.11 \pm 2.14$	$4.21 \pm 0.31$
	Ago 0.5	67.37	0.0002	$1.23 \pm 0.16^*$	$3.76 \pm 0.47$	$2.42 \pm 0.11^{***}$
	Mel 1	72.36	0.0001	$1.48 \pm 0.27$	$20.70 \pm 3.83^{***,\#\#}$	$2.28 \pm 0.19^{***}$

<sup>1</sup>PR: Percentage of rhythm; <sup>2</sup>P-value: zero amplitude test; <sup>3</sup>A.U.: arbitrary units; <sup>4</sup>h: hours; \*  $P<0.05$  vs control, \*\* $P<0.01$  vs control, \*\*\* $P<0.001$  vs control; <sup>#</sup> $P<0.05$  vs agomelatine, <sup>##</sup> $P<0.01$  vs agomelatine, <sup>###</sup> $P<0.001$  vs agomelatine.

**Table S3.** Results at 24 hours of the cosinor analysis of the clock genes expression after agomelatine or melatonin treatments in the HCT-116 p53 null cell line.

Gene	Treatment	PR <sup>1</sup>	P-value <sup>2</sup>	Amplitude (A.U.) <sup>3</sup>	Acrophase (h) <sup>4</sup>	MESOR (A.U.)
<b>Per1</b>	Control	51.93	0.0041	1.77 ± 0.49*	3.49 ± 1.12	4.86 ± 0.33 <sup>†</sup>
	Ago 0.5	39.04	0.0244	5.87 ± 1.89	3.23 ± 0.82	7.46 ± 1.34*
	Mel 1	81.12	<0.0001	2.42 ± 0.31 <sup>‡</sup>	4.08 ± 0.52	5.87 ± 0.22
<b>Per2</b>	Control	73.63	<0.0001	0.282 ± 0.042 <sup>†</sup>	5.65 ± 0.95 <sup>†</sup>	0.386 ± 0.032 <sup>†</sup>
	Ago 0.5	50.15	0.0054	0.271 ± 0.069	5.96 ± 1.53	0.329 ± 0.050
	Mel 1	60.68	0.0009	0.327 ± 0.064	6.70 ± 1.50	0.365 ± 0.049
<b>Per3</b>	Control	81.66	<0.0001	0.181 ± 0.022 <sup>††</sup>	5.42 ± 0.66	0.378 ± 0.015 <sup>††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	15.86	0.2739	0.044 ± 0.027 <sup>***</sup>	5.19 ± 3.09	0.252 ± 0.019 <sup>***</sup>
	Mel 1	83.65	<0.0001	0.181 ± 0.021 <sup>###</sup>	5.76 ± 0.66	0.307 ± 0.015 <sup>*,#</sup>
<b>Cry1</b>	Control	90.30	<0.0001	2.70 ± 0.22	5.24 ± 0.46	4.57 ± 0.16 <sup>†</sup>
	Ago 0.5	91.51	<0.0001	2.64 ± 0.21	9.55 ± 0.75 <sup>***</sup>	4.06 ± 0.15*
	Mel 1	95.49	<0.0001	2.69 ± 0.15	6.15 ± 0.35 <sup>###</sup>	4.22 ± 0.11
<b>Clock</b>	Control	61.31	0.0008	0.049 ± 0.010	6.42 ± 1.32	0.198 ± 0.007 <sup>††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	39.02	0.0002	0.059 ± 0.011	5.24 ± 0.95	0.207 ± 0.077
	Mel 1	50.92	0.0048	0.053 ± 0.013	6.61 ± 1.67	0.235 ± 0.009
<b>Bmal1</b>	Control	32.37	0.0532	0.0036 ± 0.0013	16.53 ± 0.62	0.013 ± 0.001 <sup>††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	4.06	0.7328	0.0012 ± 0.0014	4.97 ± 0.63	0.014 ± 0.001 <sup>***</sup>
	Mel 1	7.02	0.5792	0.0019 ± 0.0018	2.24 ± 2.11	0.014 ± 0.001 <sup>***</sup>
<b>Nr1d2</b>	Control	92.54	<0.0001	1.32 ± 0.09	2.34 ± 0.17 <sup>†</sup>	2.51 ± 0.06 <sup>††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	83.42	<0.0001	1.33 ± 0.15	1.85 ± 0.21*	2.64 ± 0.11*
	Mel 1	73.99	<0.0001	1.20 ± 0.18	0.59 ± 0.09 <sup>***,###</sup>	2.79 ± 0.13

<sup>1</sup>PR: Percentage of rhythm; <sup>2</sup>P-value: zero amplitude test; <sup>3</sup>A.U.: arbitrary units; <sup>4</sup>h: hours; \* P<0.05 vs control, \*\*P<0.01 vs control, \*\*\*P<0.001 vs control; #P<0.05 vs agomelatine, ##P<0.01 vs agomelatine, ###P<0.001 vs agomelatine. <sup>†</sup>P<0.05 vs HCT-116, <sup>††</sup> P<0.01 vs HCT-116.

**Table S4.** Results at 24 hours of the cosinor analysis of Sirt1 gene expression after agomelatine or melatonin treatments in the HCT-116 and HCT-116 p53 null cell lines.

Cell line	Treatment	PR <sup>1</sup>	P-value <sup>2</sup>	Amplitude (A.U.) <sup>3</sup>	Acrophase (h) <sup>4</sup>	MESOR (A.U.)
<b>HCT-116</b>	Control	19.34	0.1995	0.256 ± 0.135	4.13 ± 2.01	1.38 ± 0.09
	Ago 0.5	38.31	0.0267	0.170 ± 0.056	21.12 ± 1.25 <sup>***</sup>	1.41 ± 0.04
	Mel 1	81.95	<0.0001	0.488 ± 0.059 <sup>*,#</sup>	0.23 ± 0.03 <sup>*,###</sup>	1.97 ± 0.04 <sup>***,###</sup>
<b>HCT-116 p53 null</b>	Control	34.47	0.042	0.255 ± 0.090	18.83 ± 6.71	3.79 ± 0.06 <sup>†††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	95.96	<0.0001	0.908 ± 0.048 <sup>***</sup>	21.61 ± 1.09	3.60 ± 0.34
	Mel 1	93.55	<0.0001	1.050 ± 0.070 <sup>###</sup>	2.93 ± 0.21 <sup>*,##</sup>	4.21 ± 0.05 <sup>#</sup>

<sup>1</sup>PR: Percentage of rhythm; <sup>2</sup>P-value: zero amplitude test; <sup>3</sup>A.U.: arbitrary units; <sup>4</sup>h: hours; \* P<0.05 vs control, \*\*P<0.01 vs control, \*\*\*P<0.001 vs control; #P<0.05 vs agomelatine, ##P<0.01 vs agomelatine, ###P<0.001 vs agomelatine. <sup>†††</sup> P<0.001 vs HCT-116.

**Table S5.** Results at 24 hours of the cosinor analysis of Prx1 gene expression after agomelatine or melatonin treatments in the HCT-116 and HCT-116 p53 null cell lines.

	Treatment	PR <sup>1</sup>	P-value <sup>2</sup>	Amplitude (A.U.) <sup>3</sup>	Acrophase (h) <sup>4</sup>	MESOR (A.U.)
<b>HCT-116</b>	Control	82.62	<0.0001	67.2 ± 8.2	3.35 ± 0.49	299 ± 6
	Ago 0.5	76.24	<0.0001	61.5 ± 8.9	2.56 ± 0.44	235 ± 6 <sup>***</sup>
	Mel 1	68.02	0.0002	60.5 ± 10.7	21.88 ± 0.21 <sup>***,###</sup>	336 ± 8 <sup>*</sup>
<b>HCT-116 p53 null</b>	Control	80.94	<0.0001	83 ± 11	0.85 ± 0.11 <sup>††</sup>	464 ± 13 <sup>†††</sup>
	Ago 0.5	67.76	0.0002	99 ± 17	3.77 ± 0.73 <sup>***</sup>	576 ± 7 <sup>***</sup>
	Mel 1	75.83	<0.0001	108 ± 2	1.22 ± 0.68 <sup>###</sup>	586 ± 12 <sup>###</sup>

<sup>1</sup>PR: Percentage of rhythm; <sup>2</sup> P-value: zero amplitude test; <sup>3</sup>A.U.: arbitrary units; <sup>4</sup>h: hours; \* P<0.05 vs control, \*\*\*P<0.001 vs control; ###P<0.001 vs agomelatine. †† P<0.01 vs HCT-116, ††† P<0.001 vs HCT-116.



**Table S6.** Median of Ct values obtained in the circadian rhythmicity analysis for each gene at all conditions included in the study in HCT-116 cells.

	Gene																										
	Per1			Per2			Per3			Cry1			Clock			Bmal1			Nr1d2			Sirt1			Prx1		
Time (h)	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o	C	M el	Ag o
4	22.56	22.72	21.79	26.44	26.43	26.05	26.10	25.71	25.26	22.80	22.33	22.99	27.46	27.32	27.65	31.48	30.87	31.18	24.50	24.11	23.65	24.46	24.38	25.27	17.08	17.02	17.11
8	22.82	22.19	21.68	26.62	27.03	26.20	26.18	25.92	25.33	23.38	22.91	23.40	27.66	27.16	27.99	31.84	30.96	31.09	25.12	24.92	23.91	25.17	25.13	25.08	17.45	17.24	17.71
12	23.29	22.11	22.34	27.22	26.82	26.34	26.24	26.45	25.64	23.52	23.10	22.88	28.00	27.13	27.75	31.08	30.73	30.46	25.55	25.05	25.68	25.67	24.85	25.55	17.55	17.60	18.11
16	22.68	22.54	22.49	28.07	28.54	27.33	27.83	27.49	27.19	24.35	24.08	23.47	27.62	27.47	28.09	31.41	31.07	30.46	24.47	24.04	24.79	25.07	24.37	24.91	17.23	16.92	17.58
20	22.53	22.68	22.97	27.72	28.60	28.20	27.91	28.40	26.85	24.59	24.51	24.53	27.90	27.86	27.91	31.68	31.75	31.25	23.98	23.92	24.44	25.21	24.47	25.02	16.82	16.87	17.46
24	22.23	21.91	23.25	26.86	27.36	28.47	27.04	28.69	26.98	24.15	24.33	25.12	28.07	27.75	28.53	32.41	31.67	31.38	24.11	23.70	23.91	25.66	24.68	24.96	17.32	16.98	17.51
28	23.07	21.96	22.63	27.84	27.76	28.36	27.36	28.57	27.67	24.02	24.07	24.77	29.47	29.25	29.29	33.84	33.75	32.46	24.69	24.54	23.88	25.13	24.79	24.84	17.12	16.73	17.78
32	22.78	22.36	22.27	28.05	28.64	26.87	27.86	27.01	25.66	23.74	23.80	23.72	29.20	29.16	29.59	33.18	33.47	32.38	25.50	25.36	24.10	25.10	24.85	25.20	16.85	16.75	17.95
36	22.60	22.85	21.91	28.25	27.62	26.87	26.45	27.01	25.50	23.89	23.24	23.10	29.05	28.69	28.84	32.54	31.70	31.96	25.09	24.39	24.12	24.61	24.37	25.37	16.82	16.56	18.03
40	22.16	22.92	22.78	28.17	27.96	26.37	27.07	28.02	27.21	24.20	23.82	23.33	28.70	28.80	28.63	32.12	32.15	31.64	24.43	24.26	23.94	25.08	24.30	25.04	16.92	16.80	17.07
44	22.63	22.55	20.74	26.89	28.18	26.53	26.89	29.69	28.66	23.42	24.19	24.54	29.75	29.65	29.65	32.86	32.77	31.16	23.60	23.54	23.75	25.70	25.09	25.84	17.24	17.10	17.38
48	22.86	22.39	20.85	26.78	27.33	29.16	26.71	29.41	28.26	22.97	23.46	24.77	30.10	28.99	30.01	33.59	32.69	31.44	24.25	23.63	23.43	25.66	25.01	26.43	17.26	17.11	18.25

**Table S7.** Median of Ct values obtained in the circadian rhythmicity analysis for each gene at all conditions included in the study in HCT-116 p53 null cells.

	Gene																										
	Per1			Per2			Per3			Cry1			Clock			Bmal1			Nr1d2			Sirt1			Prx1		
Time (h)	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o	C	Mel	Ag o
4	22.75	22.72	21.91	26.48	26.27	26.67	26.34	26.59	26.95	22.65	22.88	23.30	28.16	27.67	27.90	32.14	31.50	31.61	24.18	24.02	23.81	23.35	23.03	23.86	16.17	16.02	16.18
8	23.31	23.05	22.18	26.74	26.55	27.51	26.84	26.75	28.08	23.06	22.94	23.05	28.03	27.70	28.13	32.63	31.77	32.02	24.74	24.11	24.21	23.97	23.55	24.27	16.47	16.54	16.80
12	23.37	22.91	23.04	27.84	27.93	27.35	27.16	27.73	27.67	23.65	23.69	23.12	28.36	28.29	28.42	32.12	31.74	31.09	25.69	25.44	25.56	23.77	24.13	24.09	16.71	16.69	16.94
16	23.40	23.34	23.11	28.90	29.13	28.80	28.00	28.42	27.94	24.45	24.59	23.60	28.44	28.14	28.49	31.37	31.86	30.69	24.66	24.76	24.74	23.67	23.66	23.88	16.44	16.43	16.85
20	22.90	22.97	23.80	27.89	28.61	29.05	27.74	27.95	27.79	24.33	24.65	24.97	28.60	28.35	28.16	32.23	31.74	31.33	23.94	23.84	24.44	23.63	23.32	23.48	16.27	16.21	16.65
24	22.33	22.24	22.95	27.13	27.78	28.87	27.18	27.77	28.00	23.61	23.84	25.37	28.27	28.41	27.75	32.25	32.41	30.94	23.73	23.74	23.69	23.87	23.47	23.59	16.29	16.27	16.54
28	22.64	23.05	22.16	27.27	27.89	28.48	26.45	26.54	27.48	23.23	23.83	24.89	28.98	29.09	28.90	31.78	31.74	31.40	23.47	23.47	23.38	24.03	24.08	23.63	16.26	16.41	16.96
32	22.80	22.75	21.85	27.82	27.93	27.24	27.00	27.50	26.89	23.33	23.56	24.03	28.95	28.62	28.76	31.35	30.97	30.97	23.64	24.01	22.71	24.10	23.58	23.68	16.52	16.33	16.97
36	23.01	23.57	22.17	28.31	29.29	27.19	27.64	27.74	26.64	24.68	24.19	23.58	29.44	28.80	28.28	30.96	30.76	30.66	23.72	23.72	22.70	23.71	23.76	23.58	16.33	16.56	18.03
40	22.59	22.63	22.53	28.35	29.07	27.44	27.62	28.03	26.99	24.66	24.64	23.62	29.15	29.02	28.07	30.85	30.64	30.41	23.49	23.40	22.95	23.99	23.69	23.57	16.21	16.80	17.07
44	22.14	22.60	24.29	26.90	27.14	27.62	26.35	26.35	25.90	23.49	23.86	24.00	28.98	28.21	28.12	31.43	30.72	30.43	23.01	23.04	22.64	24.29	23.75	24.00	16.47	17.10	17.38
48	22.04	22.64	23.07	27.27	26.62	28.17	27.74	27.41	26.53	23.30	23.19	24.56	29.58	28.50	28.75	31.61	31.05	30.83	23.92	23.19	22.75	24.09	23.42	23.63	16.14	17.11	18.25