

Supplementary File 1

Table S1: Full OHAT Risk of Bias Analysis

			Were research	the	Were outcome						
Was				personnel and	data						
administered	Was	Were	human		complete						
dose	or	allocation to	experimental	subjects	without	Can	we	be			Did
exposure	study	conditions	blinded to the	attrition	or	confident in the	Can	we	be	Were	researchers
level	groups	identical	study	group	exclusion	exposure	confident in	measured	statistical		adhere to the
adequately	adequately	across study	during	the	from	characterization	the outcome	outcomes	methods	study	
Ref	randomised?	concealed?	groups?	study?	analysis?	?	assessment?	reported?	appropriate?	protocol?	
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Abbreviations: Ref, reference number; ++, definitely low risk of bias; +, probably low risk of bias; -, probably high risk of bias; --, definitely high risk of bias.

Table S2: Frequency of assays used in extracted papers

Domain tested	Assay	Frequency of use
Cell viability/proliferation	MTT	29
	MTS	4
	CCK-8	2
	XTT	2
	TB staining	3
	WST-1	1
	CellTiter Blue	3
	CellTiter Glo	1
	PrestoBlue	1
	AlamarBlue	1
	LDH	1
	DAPI staining	1
	Toxilight	1
	SRB	1

Calcein viability		1
Rhodamine stain		2
Crystal violet staining		1
CyQUANT		1
[³ H]-thymidine		1
Unspecified proliferation assay	4	
Unspecified toxicity assay		1
Cell migration	Scratch/wound healing	18
	Boyden chamber	6
	Ibidi culture insert assay	1
Apoptosis	Caspase-Glo 3/7	3
	Caspase-3	3
	Apo-one homogeneous caspase 3/7 assay	2
	TUNEL	7
	Annexin V/PI staining	9
	Comet	1

Other	ELISA	14
	Western blot	10
	SDS-PAGE	1
	HPLC	1
	LSC	1
	Von Kossa staining	1
	Alizarin red staining	1
	Amplex Red Peroxidase	1
	Bone nodule formation	1
	TEM cellular analysis	2
	Cell morphology analysis	3
	IHC staining	2
	Flow cytometry	9
	ALP	4
	BCA protein assay	3
	Smad-3 inhibition assay	1

Osteogenic differentiation	1
Immunofluorescence analysis	1
Senescence associated β 1 galactosidase staining	
TRAP staining	1
Resorption assay (Coomassie Brilliant Blue)	1
Masson's trichrome staining	1
DCPMO	3
Osteocalcin synthesis	1
Immunostaining and confocal microscopy	1

Abbreviations: MTT, (4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyl-2H-tetrazolium bromide assay; MTS, 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-carboxymethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-sulfophenyl)-2H-tetrazolium assay; CCK-8, Cell counting kit-8; XTT, - 2,3-Bis-(2-Methoxy-4-Nitro-5-Sulfophenyl)-2H-Tetrazolium-5-Carboxanilide

Assay; TB, trypan blue; WST-1, Water Soluble Tetrazolium Salts-1; LDH, Lactate Dehydrogenase; DAPI, 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole; SRB, sulforhodamine B assay; TUNEL - Terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase (TdT) dUTP Nick-End Labelling assay; Annexin V/PI staining, Annexin V/propidium iodide; ELISA, Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay; SDS-

PAGE, Sodium dodecyl-sulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis; HPLC, High-performance liquid chromatography; LSC, Liquid Scintillation Counting; TEM, Transmission Electron Microscopy; IHC, Immunohistochemistry ; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase assay kit; BCA, Bicinchoninic acid; TRAP, Tartrate-resistant acid phosphatase; DCPMO, Direct Contrast-Phase Microscopic Observation.