

Supporting Information

Extracellular Calcium ion Concentration Regulates Chondrocyte Elastic Modulus and Adhesion Behavior

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Table

Table S1. The precise values of the results.

Ca ²⁺ concentration / mM	1.75	2.25	2.75	3.25	3.75	Control
Young's modulus / KPa	1202 ± 250	1521 ± 75	1644 ± 396	1402 ± 211	1510 ± 155	
F_{max} / nN	1103 ± 439	1298 ± 77	1632 ± 724	1295 ± 526	1208 ± 633	130 ± 90
W_d / 10 ⁻¹⁵ J	1.3 ± 0.8	1.8 ± 0.6	2.3 ± 0.9	1.9 ± 0.9	1.6 ± 0.9	0.1 ± 0.1
F_{max} / nN (CWHM-12)	308 ± 172	300 ± 200	410 ± 217	304 ± 149	381 ± 203	
W_d / 10 ⁻¹⁶ J (CWHM-12)	3.6 ± 2.8	4.4 ± 4.2	3.8 ± 2.8	3.8 ± 2.7	4.6 ± 3.1	
$(F_{max} - F_{max}(CWHM-12)) / F_{max}$	72%	77%	75%	76%	68%	
$(W_d - W_d(CWHM-12)) / W_d$	72%	76%	83%	80%	71%	

Table S2. Primers for qPCR.

Gene	Sequences (5'–3')
Forward primer: GCTCCTCCTGAGCGCAAGTAC	

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<i>β-actin</i>	Reverse primer: GGACTCGTCATACTCCTGCTTGC
<i>col2a1</i>	Forward primer: CGCCGCTGTCCTTCGGTGTC Reverse primer: AGGGCTCCGGCTTCCACACAT
<i>acan</i>	Forward primer: TGGGAACCAGCCTATACCCCAG Reverse primer: CAGTTGCAGAAGGGCCTTCTGTAC
<i>myosin</i>	Forward primer: CAGCAAGCTGCCGATAAGTAT Reverse primer: CTTGTCGGAAGGCACCCAT
<i>integrin beta 1</i>	Forward primer: CCTACTTCTGCACGATGTGATG Reverse primer: CCTTTGCTACGGTTGGTTACATT
<i>integrin beta 3</i>	Forward primer: GTGACCTGAAGGAGAATCTGC Reverse primer: CCGGAGTGCAATCCTCTGG
<i>collagen VI</i>	Forward primer: ACAGTGACGAGGTGGAGATCA Reverse primer: GATAGCGCAGTCGGTGTAGG
<i>Collagen I</i>	Forward primer: CGCCGCTGTCCTTCGGTGTC Reverse primer: AGGGCTCCGGCTTCCACCACAT

Figure

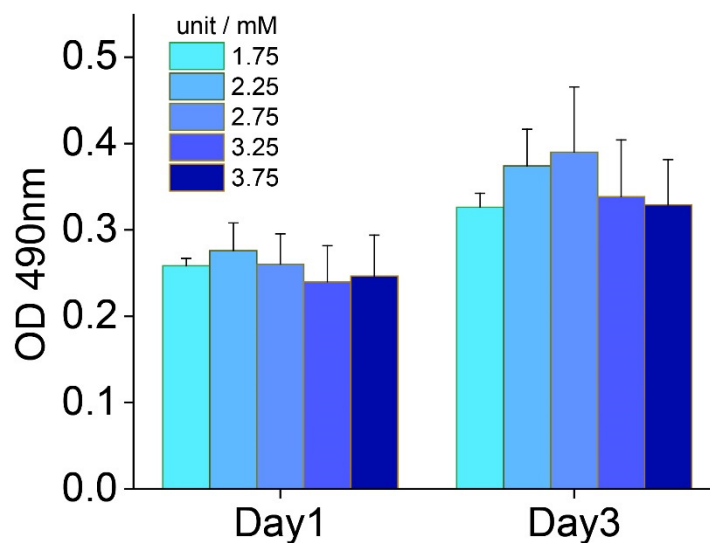


Figure S1. MTT assay shows the proliferation of chondrocytes at day 1 and day 3. No statistic difference in each groups.

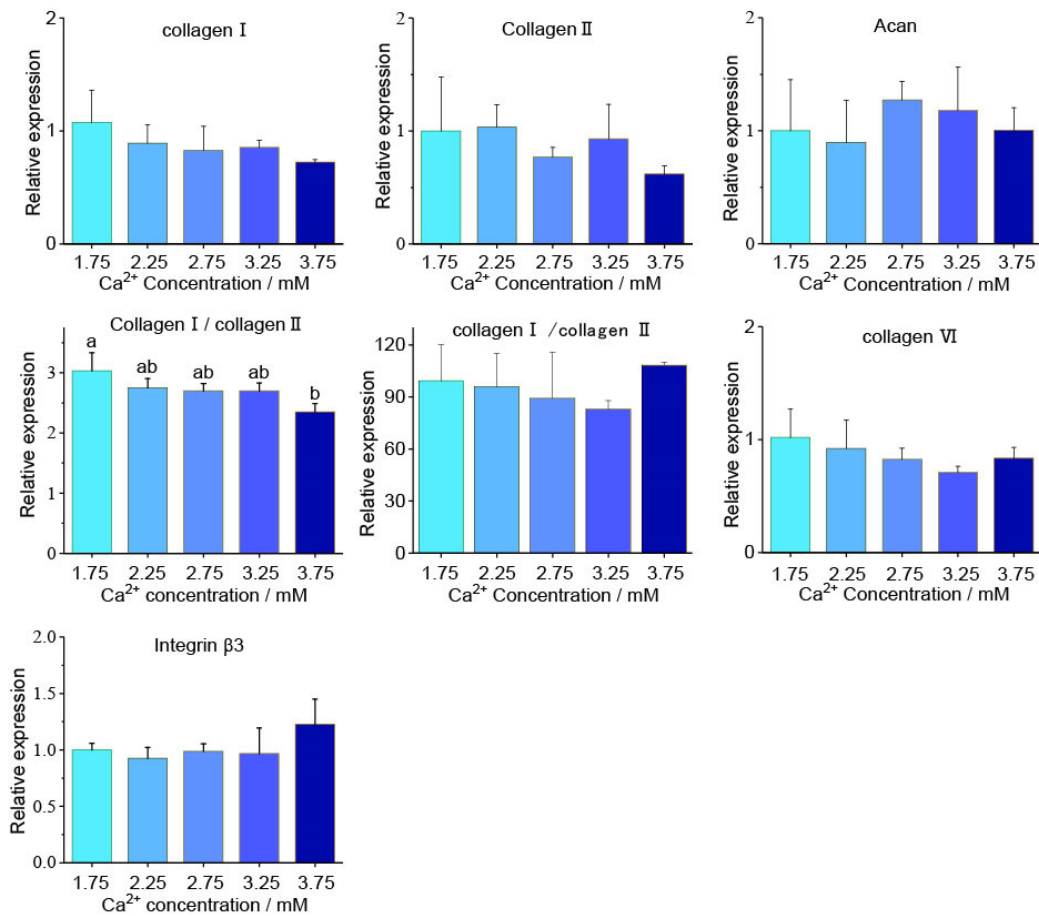


Figure S2. The expression of *collagen II*, *collagen I*, *collagen VI*, *integrin $\beta 3$* , and *aggrecan* has no significant difference.

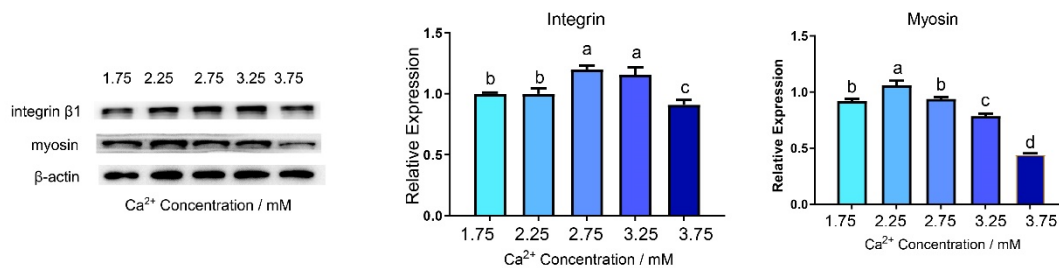


Figure S3. Western blot shows that the trend of *myosin II* and *integrin $\beta 1$* expression level is similar to that of qPCR and immunofluorescence results.

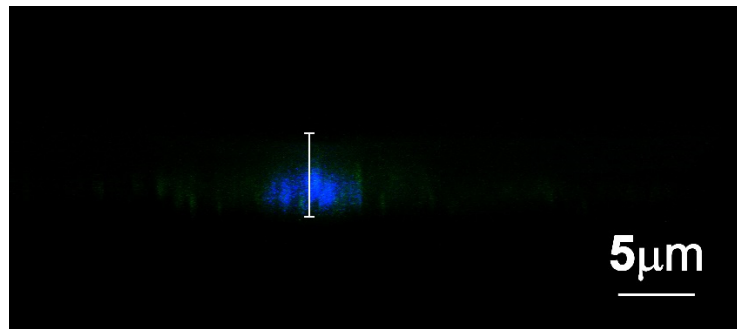


Figure S4. The height of chondrocytes was about 6 μm measured by confocal laser scanning microscope. Blue: DAPI; green: phalloidin.