

SUPLEMENTARY FIG. 1. Immunohistochemical identification of rat cardiac fibroblasts. Representative images of immunohistochemical identification of CFs from neonatal rats. Cells were co-stained with DAPI (blue) and vimentin (green). (a) Ba $r = 50 \mu m$, (b) Bar $= 50 \mu m$. The co-localization of DAPI and vimentin confirms the fibroblastic phenotype of the isolated cells.

CFs, cardiac fibroblasts; DAPI, 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole.