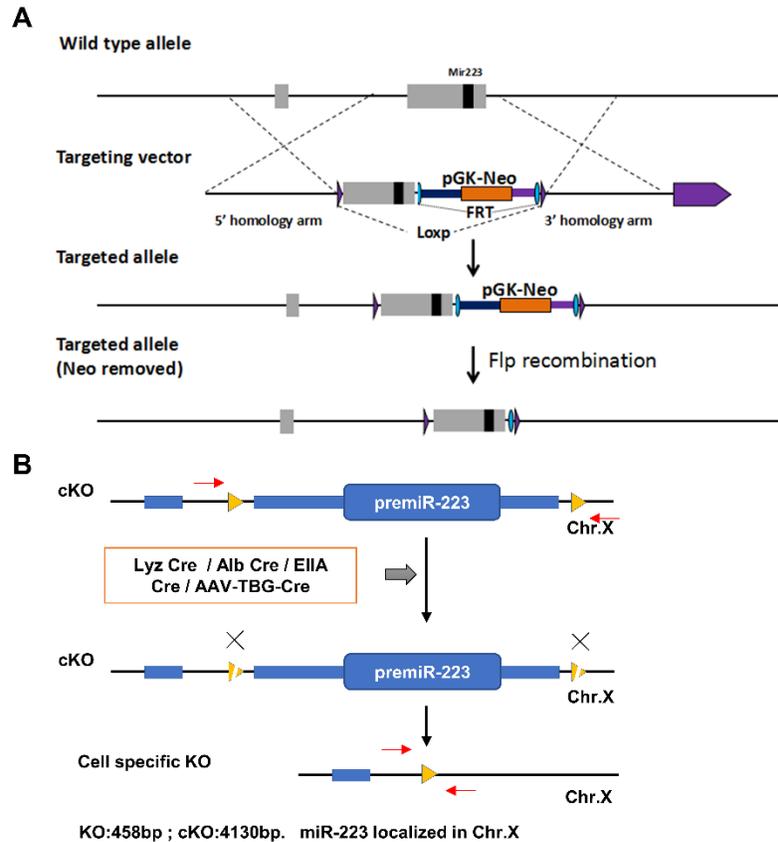
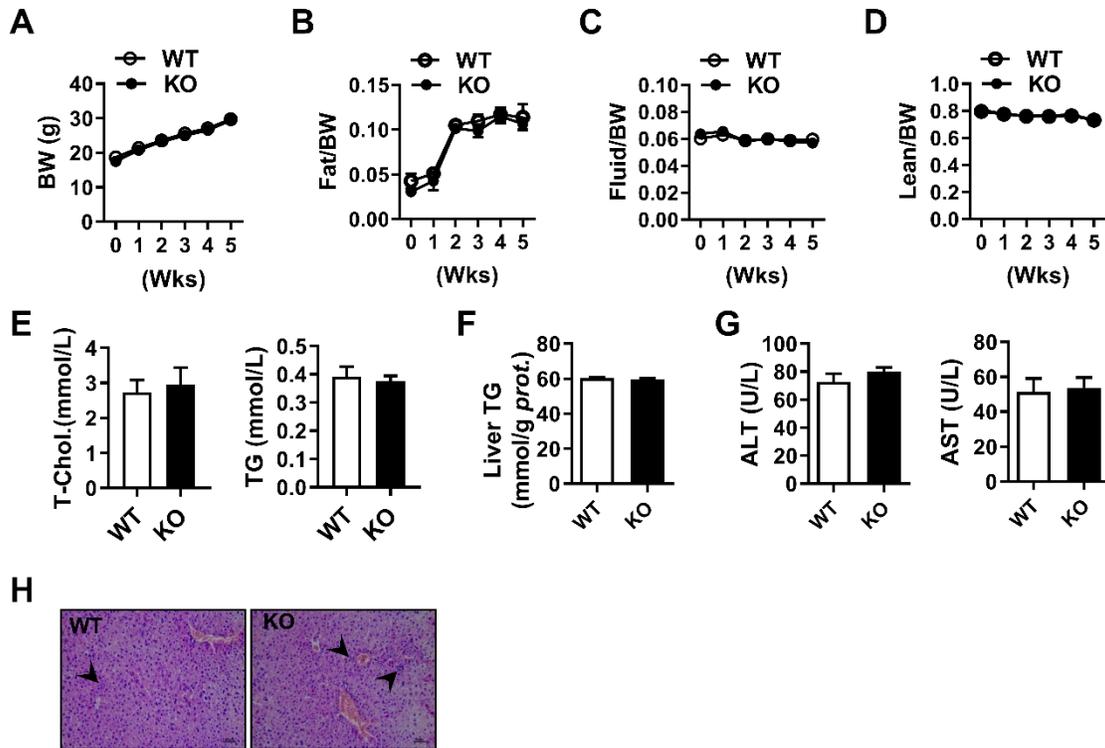


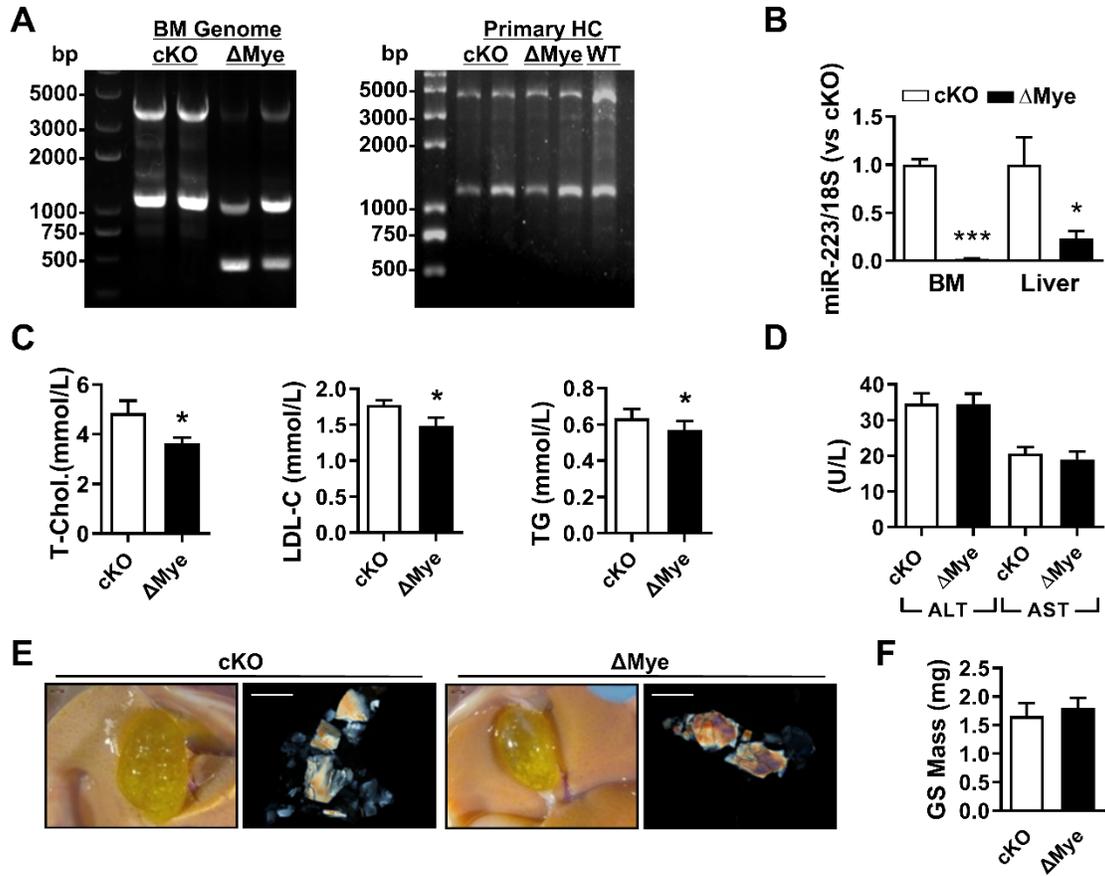
## Supplementary Figures:



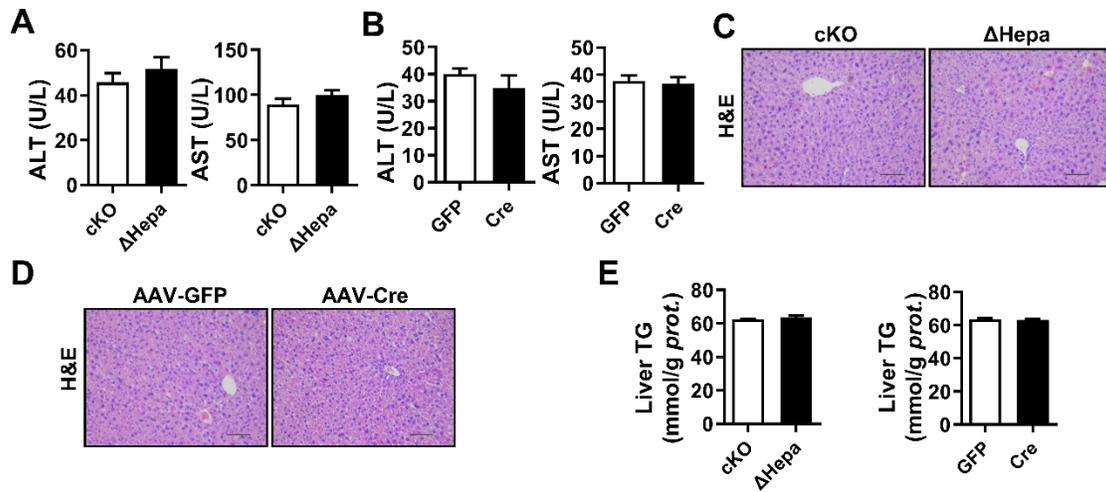
**Supplementary Figure 1.** Strategies of generating miRNA-223 conditional knockout and cell specific knockout / knockdown mice strains. (A) miRNA-223(ENSMUST00000102112) was localized in the second Exon of ncRNA F630028O10Rik, two Flox sequences were designed in the Intron 1 and downstream of Exon 2. By homologous recombination targeting principle in embryonic stem cells, targeting vector were prepared containing 9.616 kb 5' homologue arm, 3.566 kb Flox region, PGK-Neo-poly A region flanked with FRTs, 4.919 kb 3' homologue arm, and MC1-TK-poly A negative selection region. The positive ES clones were obtained by G418 and Ganc selection and genomic DNA sequencing verification, and chimeric offsprings were obtained after implantation of C57BL/6J blastocysts injected with recombinant ES cells into surrogate mice. Neo cassette was removed by breeding chimeric mice with Flp<sup>Tg</sup> mice. All founder mice were verified by genomic DNA sequencing; (B) Scheme showing the strategy for generating tissue or cell specific miRNA-223 KO mice by crossbreeding miRNA-223 cKO mice with indicated Cre mice or virus infection.



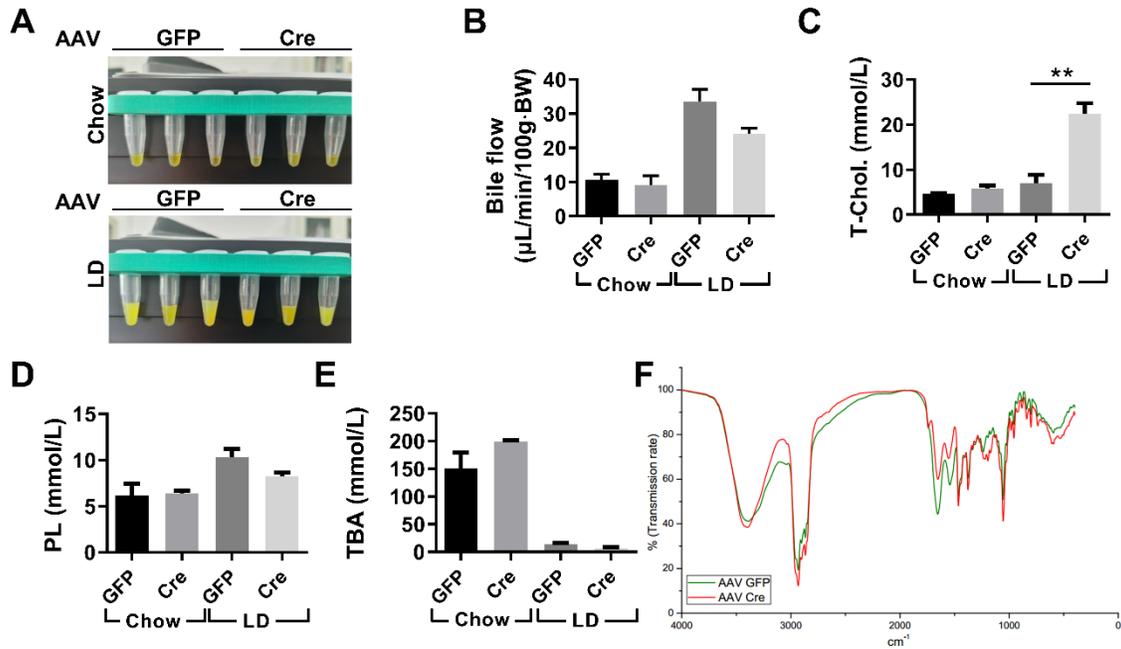
**Supplementary Figure 2.** During 5 weeks LD treatment, (A) body weight changes, (B) Fat contents, (C) Fluid contents and (D) Lean contents were evaluated in the indicated time for in WT and KO mice (n=5 mice each group). After 5 weeks LD feeding, WT and KO mice liver tissues were collected for (E) TG contents; (F) ALT and AST activities in serum were determined, (G) H&E staining for liver sections and arrow indicated the infiltrating inflammatory cells. Scale bars, 50  $\mu$ m.



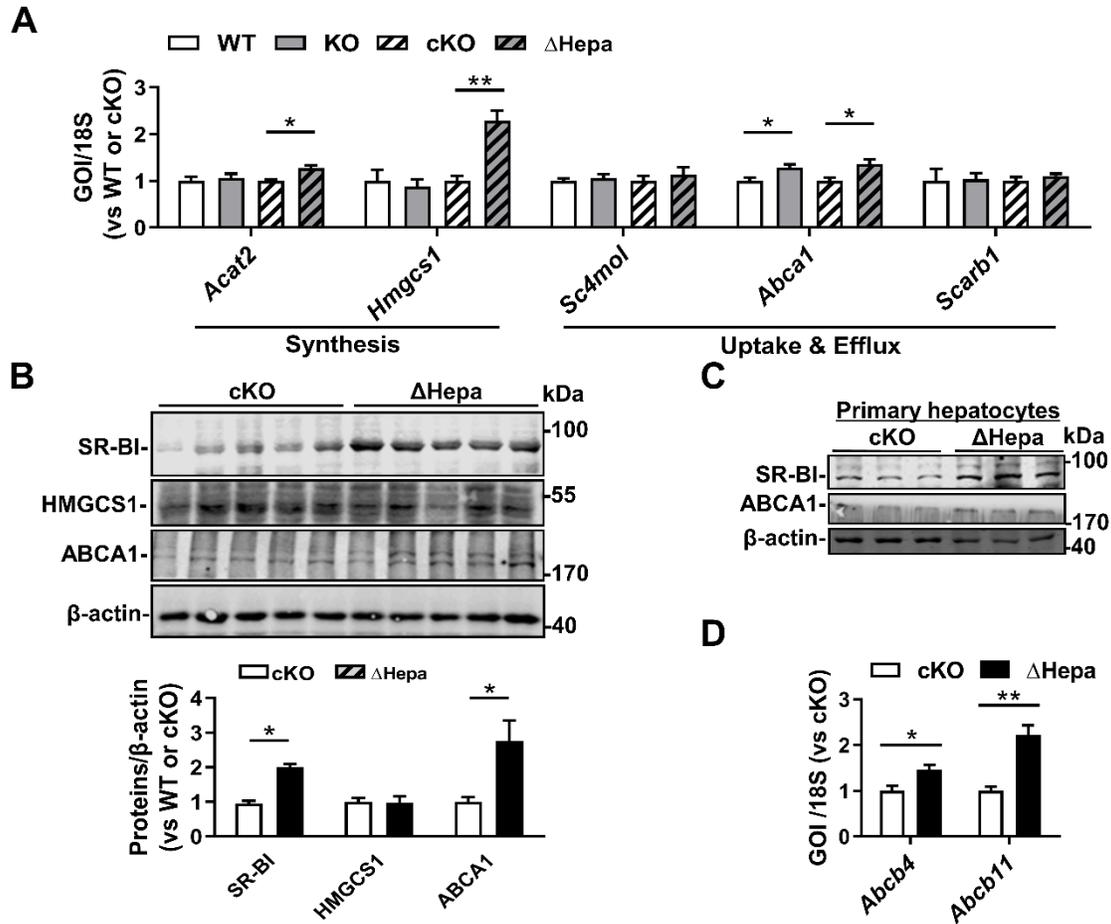
**Supplementary Figure 3** (A) PCR showing the genomic DNA precision for Bone marrow (BM) and primary hepatocytes (HC), and (B) RT-qPCR revealed miRNA-223 expression levels in BM and HC from miRNA-223 KO mice ( $\Delta$ Myeloid/y) and cKO mice (cKO:4130bp, KO:458bp, n=4 mice each group); With 5 weeks LD treatment, the levels of (C) Total-Cholesterol, LDL-C and TG in livers and (D) Serum ALT and AST activities were determined (n=10 each group); (E&F) gallstone phenotype and gallstone mass were further determined (n=4 each group). \* $p$ <0.05; \*\*\* $p$ <0.001 versus cKO. Scale bars, 1 mm (gall bladder images) and 250  $\mu$ m (cholesterol crystal images).



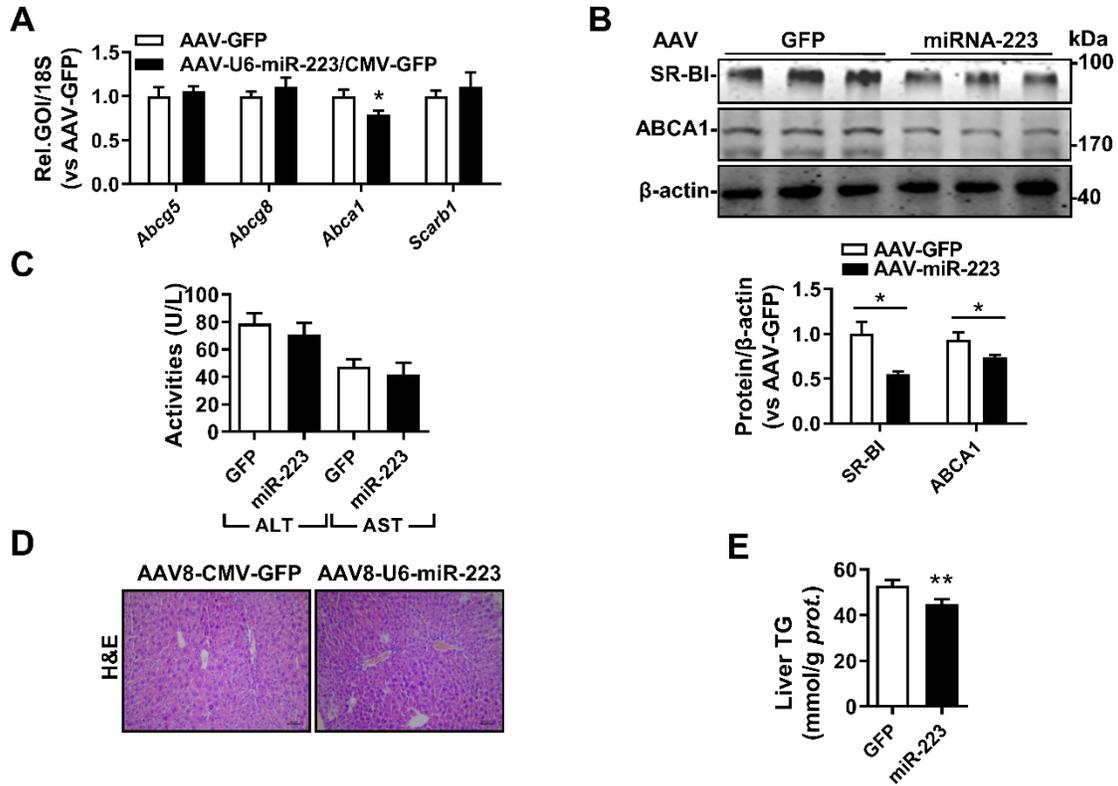
**Supplementary Figure 4.** The effects of hepatocyte specific miRNA-223 KO or KD on liver injury and TG livers. ΔHepa and cKO mice (n=10 mice each group) or AAV-TBG-Cre and AAV-GFP treated mice (n=6-8 mice each group) were fed with LD for 5 weeks, serum were used to determined (A&B) ALT and AST activities, liver tissues were analyzed for (C&D) H&E staining and (E) TG contents. Scale bars, 100 μm.



**Supplementary Figure 5.** The effects of miRNA-223 knockdown on mice bile secretion and lipid contents in bile and gallstone. Hepatocyte specific miRNA-223 knockdown were conducted via AAV8-TGB-Cre or AAV8-CMV-Cre (control) *i.v.* injection for miRNA-223 cKO mice and three weeks later, those mice were fed with chow or LD for additional three weeks. Bile flow rate was determined via catheterization with PE-10 tube within 30 min. (A) representative image showing the liver secreted bile volume; (B) Bar graph showing bile flow rate Bile lipids content of (C) T-Cholesterol, (D) PL and (E) TBA were separately determined from liver secreted bile. Data are summarized from 3-4 mice each group and  $**p < 0.01$  versus GFP. (F) The affects of miRNA-223 KD on cholesterol contents in mice gallstone. Gallstones were collected and mixed with KBr (1:100) and further prepared for Fourier Infra-red Spectrograph analysis. The cholesterol specific regions are at 2960.244, 2935.173, 2902.383, 2867.676  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Gallstones from 3 mice each group were mixed and subjected to Fourier Infra-red Spectrograph analysis.



**Supplementary Figure 6.** The gene expression was determined by RT-qPCR or western blotting in livers samples from KO and WT or ΔHepa and cKO mice with LD challenge for 5 weeks. (A) RT-qPCR assessed the selected genes expression concerning hepatic cholesterol synthesis, uptake and efflux as well as biliary secretion (n=5-6 mice per group). (B) Liver protein levels for SR-BI, HMGCS1 and ABCA1 as well as (C) primary hepatocytes expressing SR-BI and ABCA1 were determined by Western blotting (n=3-5 mice per group). (D) RT-qPCR exams the mRNA expression for indicated genes from livers of cKO and ΔHepa mice (n=5-6 mice per group). \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$  versus WT or cKO.



**Supplementary Figure 7.** Supplementary Figure 7. WT mice were pretreated with LD for 3 weeks followed by one time injection with AAV8-U6-miRNA-223/CMV-GFP or AAV8-CMV-GFP ( $10^{11}$  virus genome) and continued LD feeding for additional 5 weeks, (A) mRNA expression of *Abcg5*, *Abcg8*, *Abca1* and *Scarb1* were determined by RT-qPCR (n=5 mice per group); (B) protein levels of SR-BI and ABCA1 were detected by western blotting (n=3 mice per group); (C) serum ALT and AST activities (n=9 mice per group); (D) H&E staining for liver sections. Scale bars, 50  $\mu$ m; (E) liver TG levels (n=9 mice per group). \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$  versus GFP.

## Supplementary Tables:

**Supplementary Table 1. Forward and Reverse Primers Used for RT-qPCR, Genotyping and Plasmid construction**

Gene	Forward Primer (5'→3')	Reverse Primer (5'→3')	Products(bp)
<i>18s</i>	CTTTGGTCGCTCGCTCCTC	CTGACCGGGTTGGTTTTGAT	128
<i>Abca1</i>	GCTCTCAGGTGGGATGCAG	GGCTCGTCCAGAATGACAAC	81
<i>Abcb11</i>	CTCACAAAGAAACAGGCATAAAGG	GTTGACGGATGGAAGCTCTTA	111
<i>Abcb4</i>	TTGAAGTTGAGCTAAGTGACGA	GGCACGTTTGCATCAAGT	154
<i>Abcg5</i>	ATCTCTGGGCTGCTTATTG	AACTCATTGACCACGAGAATC	125
<i>Abcg8</i>	CACCTTTACACCACACAAATCG	TGACAATGAGGTAGATCGCATA	112
<i>Acat2</i>	ATTGTTGAAAGGTGGGCAGC	GGTAACATCCCATCCCGTCA	70
<i>Hmgcs1</i>	TGTGGTTCAGAACTGATGG	TGTCTCCTGCAACTACCAGA	266
<i>Sc4mol</i>	TCCAGTTGCCTCTGATTTG	GGATGTGCGTATTCTGCTT	244
<i>Scarb1</i>	GCAAATTTGGCCTGTTTGT	GATCTTGCTGAGTCCGTTC	122
<i>miRNA-22</i> 3 KO	GCTGAAACAGTGCCCAACAG	CACCCAGTGCAATGATAGAATAT	
<i>miRNA-22</i> 3 cKO	CAAATACCAACCAGGGTTTTGC	TCCCTCCGACAATTCTGAGCAA	
<i>Abcg5</i> 3' UTR	AAGCTTAAACATAATTTTAAATG	ACTAGTTTAAGATGACAGGCAGG	
<i>Abcg8</i> 3' UTR	AAGCTTGCTGAGACAACTGGATT	ACTAGTGTATGGAATGGGAACCA	
<i>Abcg5</i> 3' UTR Mut	CTGGAATAGCAGAGGGCGTGTCTTT CTCGTTGCC	AGACACGCCCTCTGCTATTCCAGC TTGTGGGGCA	
<i>Abcg8</i> 3' UTR Mut	ATAAGCGAAAAACATTTCTCTGATTT GTTTTAGG	TCAGAGAAATGTTTTTCGCTTATCT CTGCGTGGA	

**Supplementary Table 2. Antibodies Used for Western Blot and FACS**

Antibody	Biological source	Manufacturers (Locations)	Catalog no.
ABCG5	Rabbit	Proteintech (Wuhan, China)	27722-1-AP
ABCA1	Rabbit	Abclonal (Wuhan, China)	A7228
ABCG8	Rabbit	Abclonal (Wuhan, China)	A1880
beta Actin	Mouse	Abcam (Shanghai, China)	ab8226
FITC-Gr1	Rat	Biolegends (San Diego, CA)	108405
FITC-ISO	Rat	Biolegends (San Diego, CA)	102205
Flag	Rabbit	Proteintech (Wuhan, China)	20543-1-AP
HMGCS1	Rabbit	Proteintech (Wuhan, China)	17643-1-AP
PE-CD11b	Rat	Biolegends (San Diego, CA)	101207
PE-ISO	Rat	Biolegends (San Diego, CA)	400607
SR-BI	Rabbit	Abcam (Shanghai, China)	ab217318