

Supplemental Information

Mechanical force regulation of YAP by F-actin and GPCR revealed by super-resolution imaging

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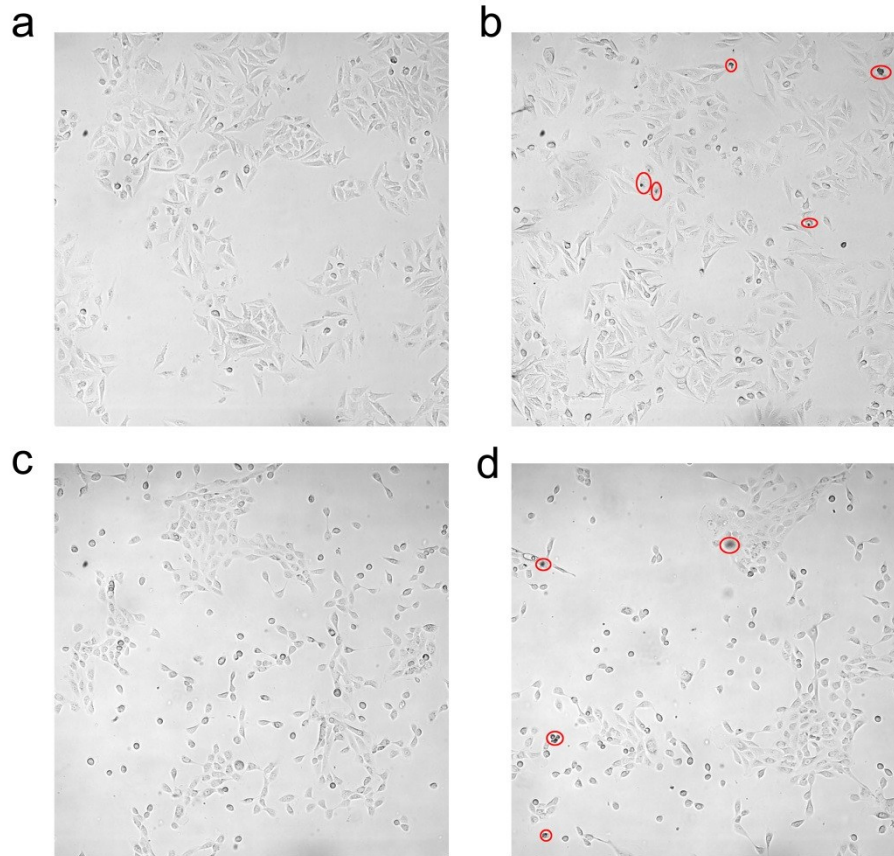


Figure S1. Cell viability assay by trypan blue staining. Sparsely cultured cells with or without press treatment were stained with 0.04% trypan blue solution for 10 min, and observed under a 10 $\times$ microscope after removing the solution. (a, c) Control groups of HeLa (a) and MCF-10A (c) cells. (b, d) The corresponding pressed groups. Cells were pressed with PDMS for 1 h, stained by trypan blue and then imaged. Dead cells were marked by red circles.

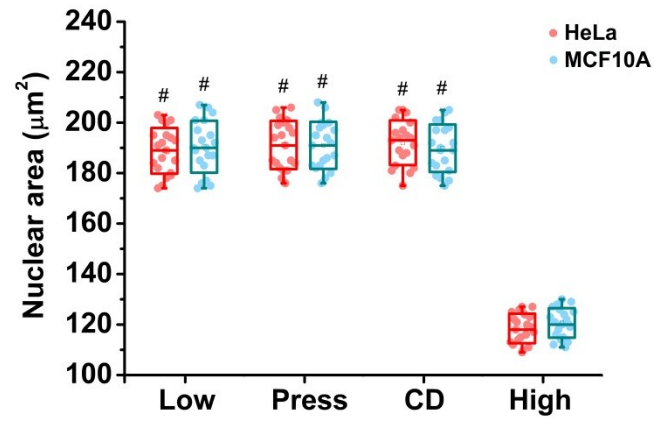


Figure S2. Nuclear areas of HeLa and MCF-10A cells cultured at low or high cell density without treatment, and at low cell density with pressure or CD treatment. # $P < 0.01$, Low versus High, Press versus High and CD versus High in each cell line, two tailed unpaired t -test.

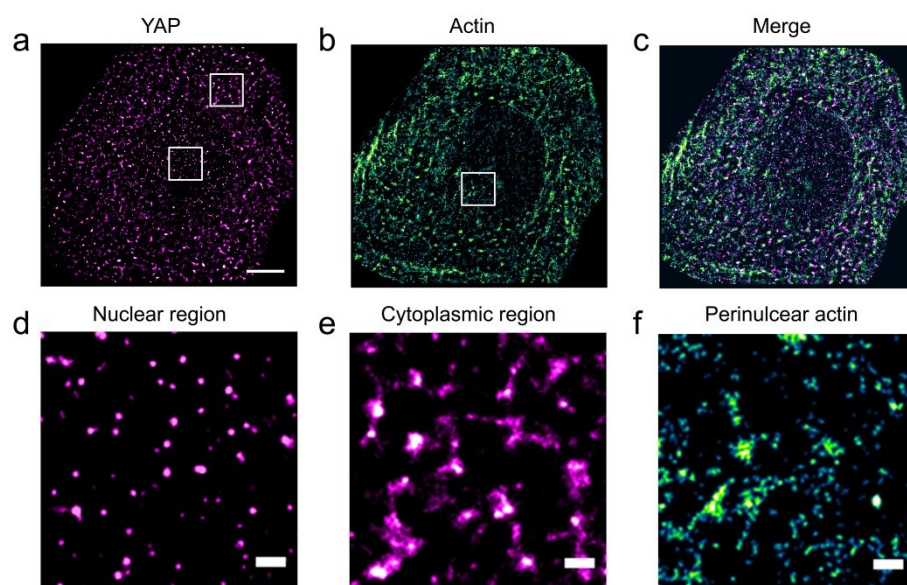


Figure S3. Dual-color dSTORM imaging of YAP and F-actin in MCF-7 cells with press treatment. (a-c) YAP, actin and their merged dSTORM images in sparsely cultured MCF-7 cells after press. (d-f) The enlarged view of nuclear and cytoplasmic regions of YAP, and perinuclear regions of actin, which are boxed with white in (a) and (b). Scale bars are 5 μm in (a-c) and 500 nm in (d-f).

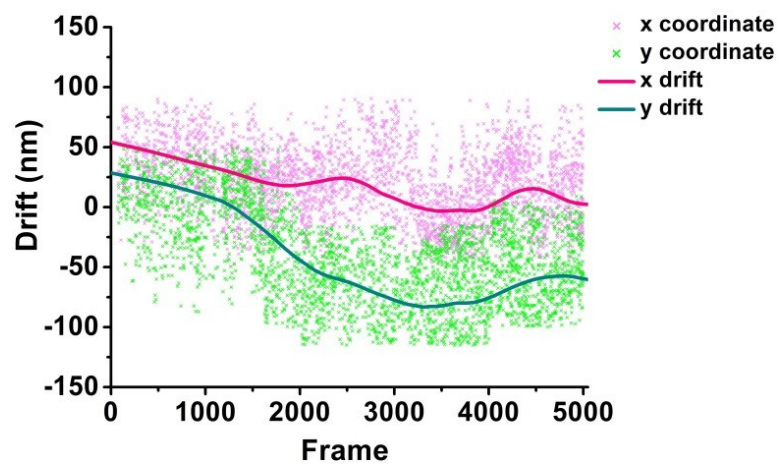


Figure S4. Lateral drift correction during the acquisition of 5000 frames in analyzing the raw data of F-actin.

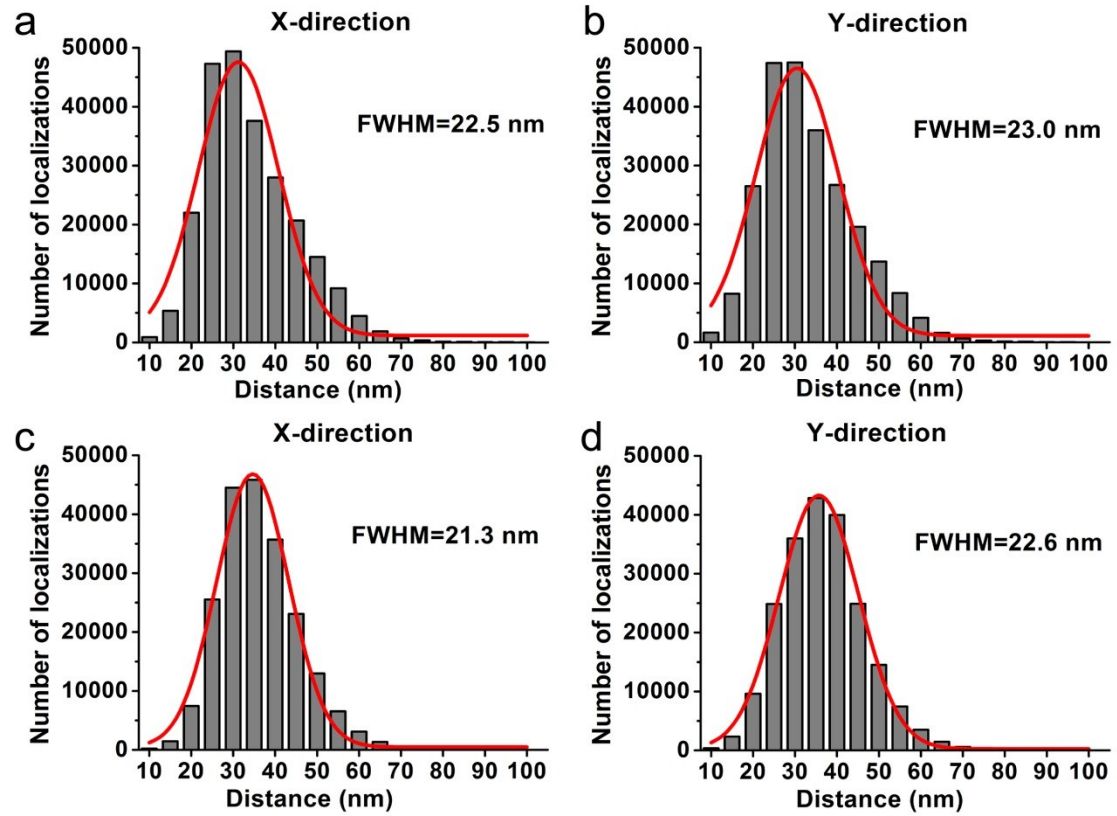


Figure S5. Measurement of the resolution of YAP dSTORM images in two cell lines. (a) The distribution of x coordinates of YAP localizations from 5000 frames in a typical HeLa cell cultured at low cell density. The histogram was fitted to a Gaussian function and its full width at half-maximum (FWHM) was calculated to determine the resolution, which was 22.5 nm. (b) The distribution of y coordinates of YAP localizations in the same cell. The FWHM was 23.0 nm. (c, d) The distribution of x and y coordinates of YAP localizations in a MCF-10A cell. The FWHM was 21.3 and 22.6 nm, respectively.

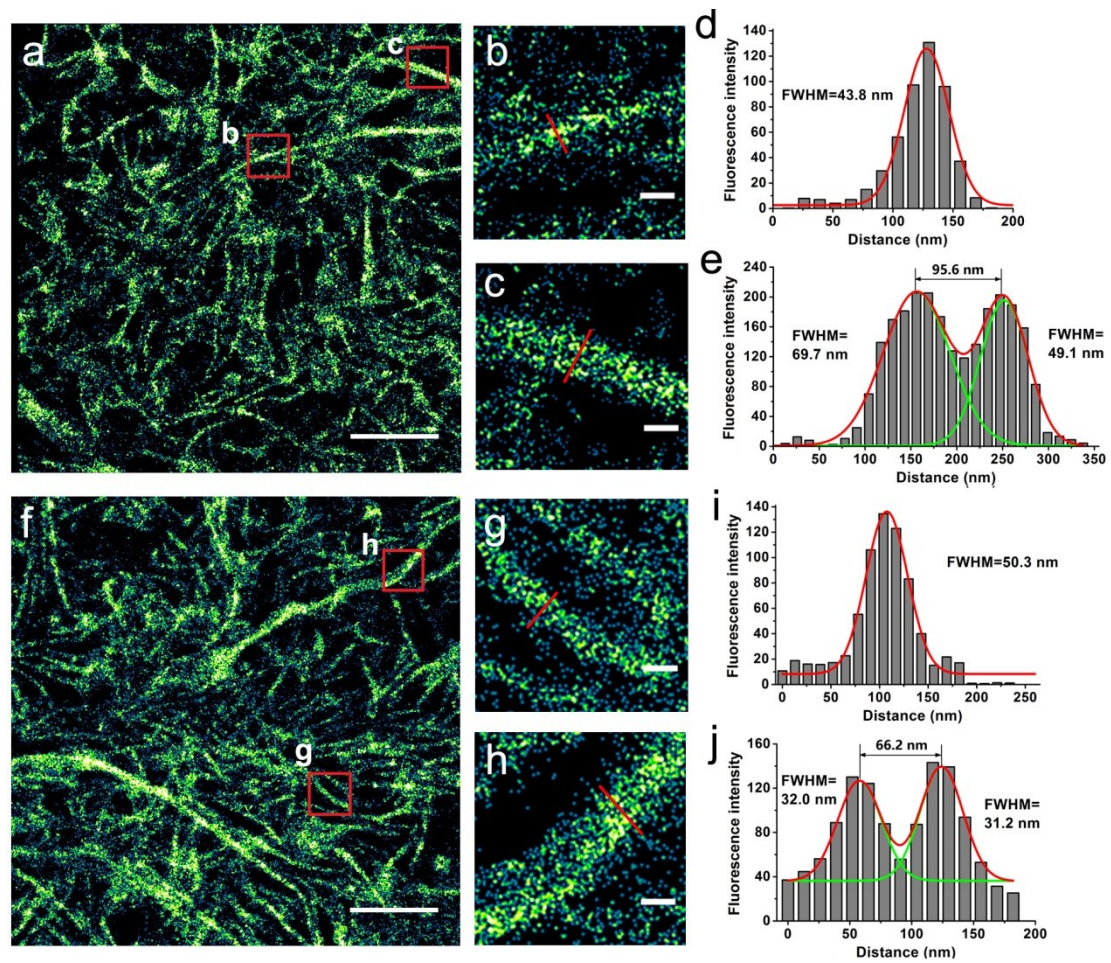


Figure S6. Quantitative size analysis of F-actin in two cell lines. (a, f) dSTORM imaging of F-actin in sparsely cultured HeLa and MCF-10A cells, respectively. (b, c, g, h) The enlarged areas of the ROIs (red boxes) in (a) and (f). (d, e, i, j) The corresponding transverse profiles of the F-actin labeled with red lines show the width and the distances between two actin filaments. Scale bars, 2 μm in (a, f), 100 nm in (b, c, g, h).