

SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Title:

Sulforaphane improves chemotherapy efficacy by targeting cancer stem cell-like properties via the miR-124/IL-6R/STAT3 axis

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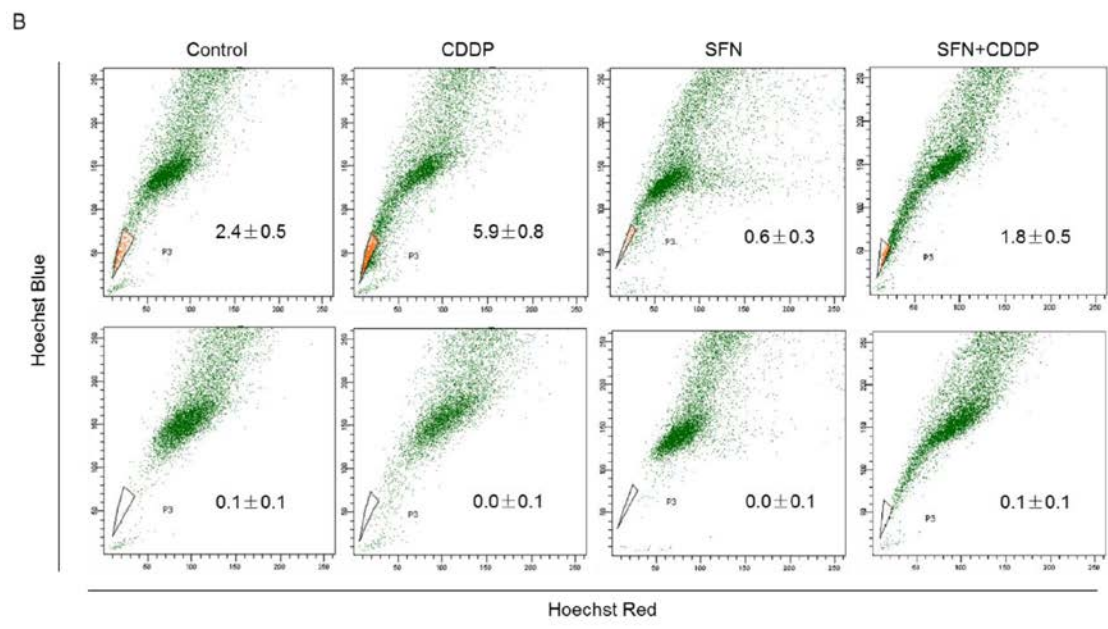
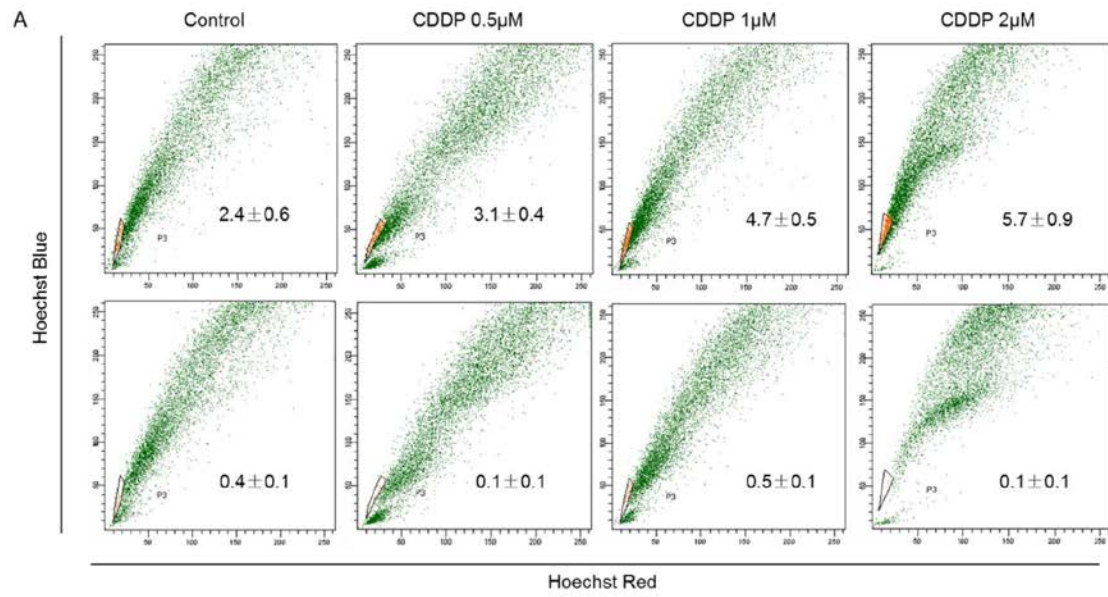
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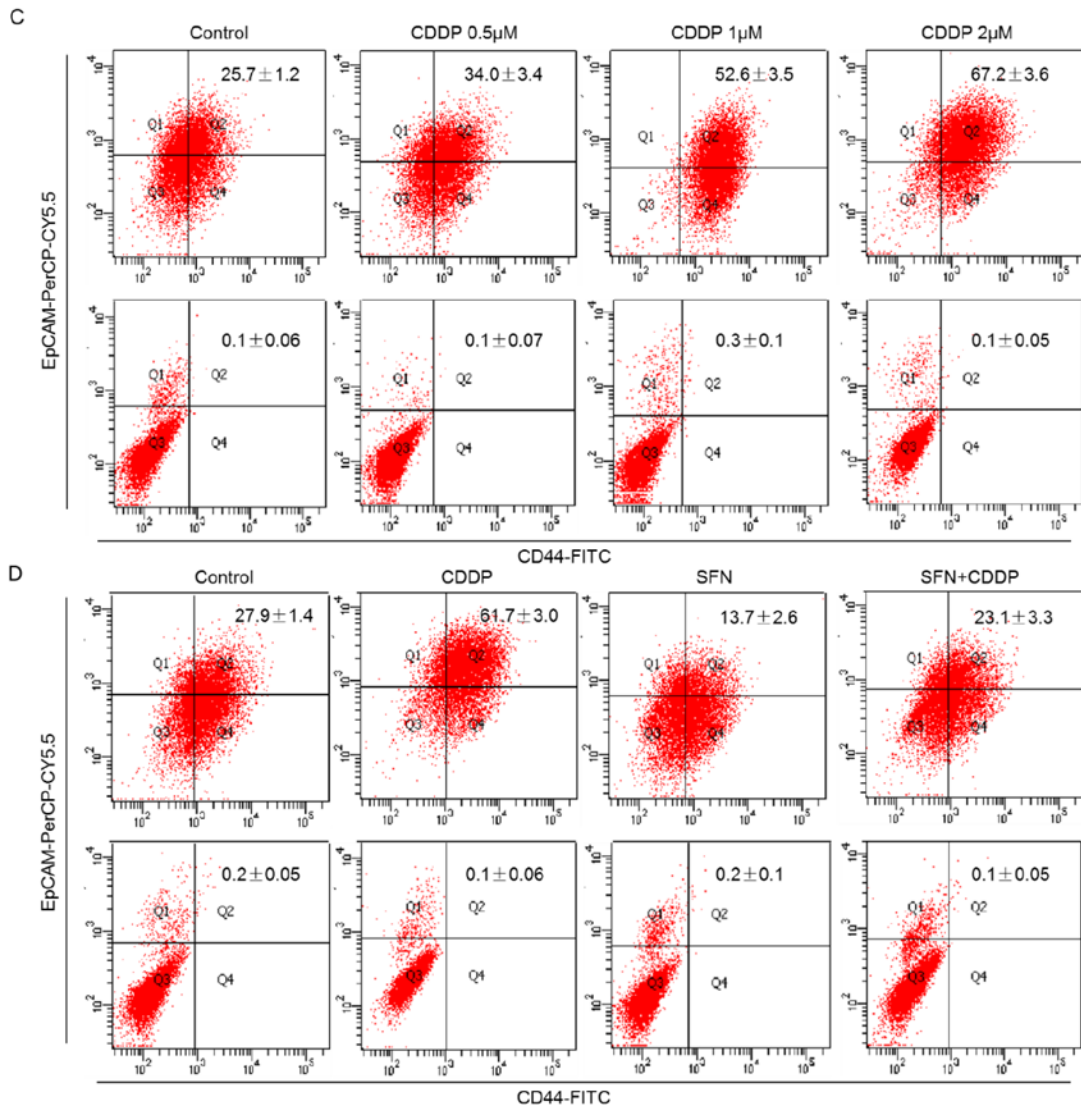


Fig. S1. The effects of SFN and CDDP on the CSC-like properties in MGC803.

(A, C) MGC803 cells were treated with 0, 0.5, 1, or 2 µM of CDDP for 72 h. (B, D) MGC803 cells were treated with 2 µM of CDDP, 10 µM of SFN, or their combination for 72 h. (A, B) Flow cytometry analyses of the percentage of SP and (C, D) CD44⁺/EpCAM⁺ cells in MGC803 cell populations (mean ± SD, n = 3).

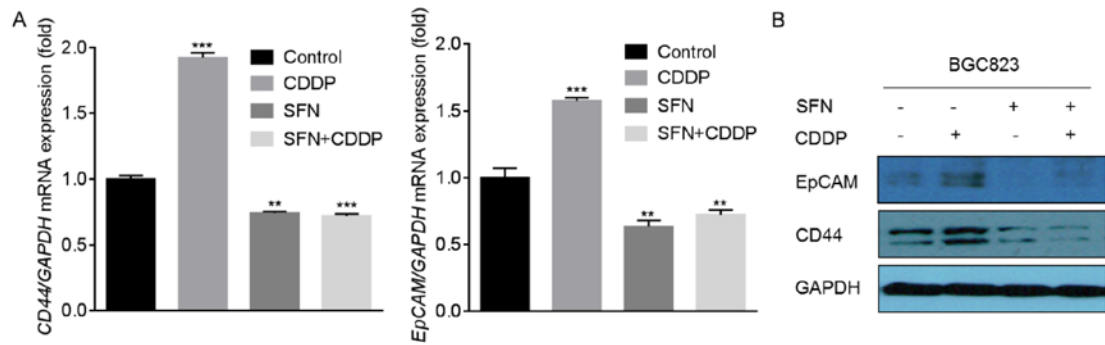


Fig. S2. SFN represses the CDDP-induced CSC surface markers in BGC823.

(A, B) BGC823 cells were treated with 2 μ M of CDDP, 10 μ M of SFN, or their combination for 72 h. (A) qRT-PCR analyses of *CD44* and *EpCAM* (mean \pm SD, n=3).

** $p < 0.01$ and *** $p < 0.001$ compared with medium control BGC823 cells. (B)

Western blot analysis of CD44 and EpCAM.

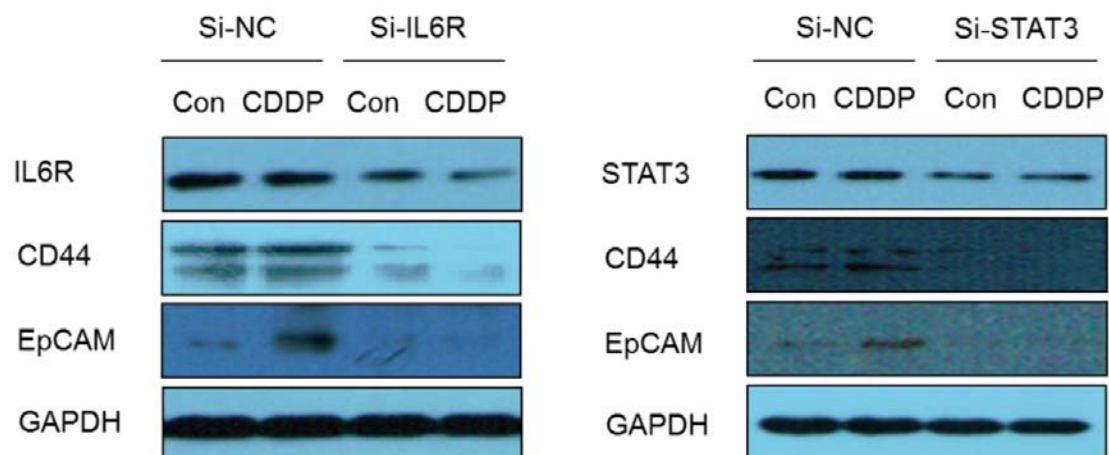
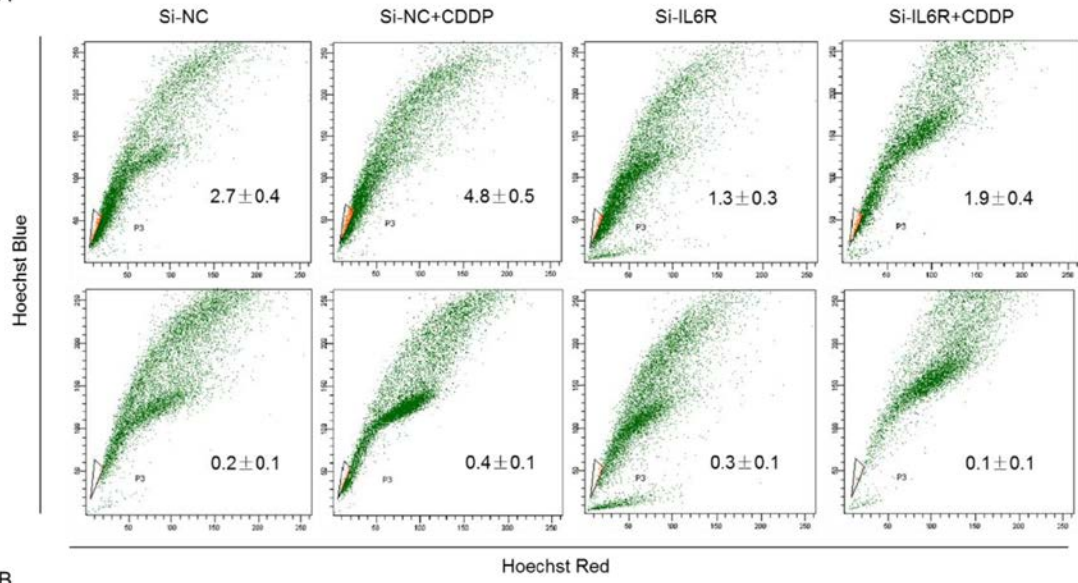


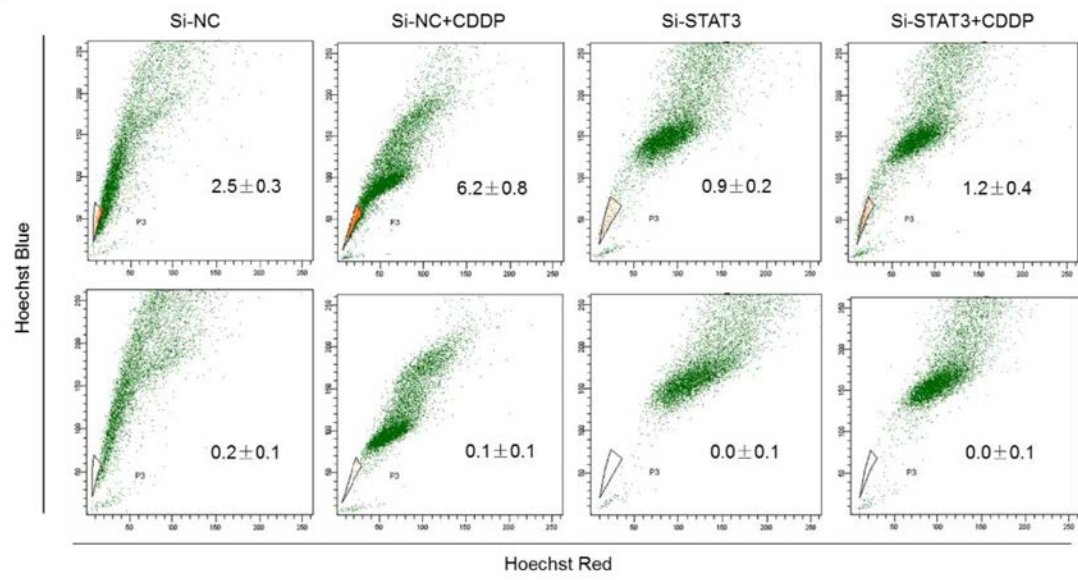
Fig. S3. IL-6/STAT3 signaling is responsible for CDDP-induced CSC surface markers in BGC823.

BGC823 cells were transfected with con-siRNA, IL6R-siRNA, or STAT3-siRNA for 12 h and then 2 μ M of CDDP was added for 72 h. Western blot analysis of related proteins.

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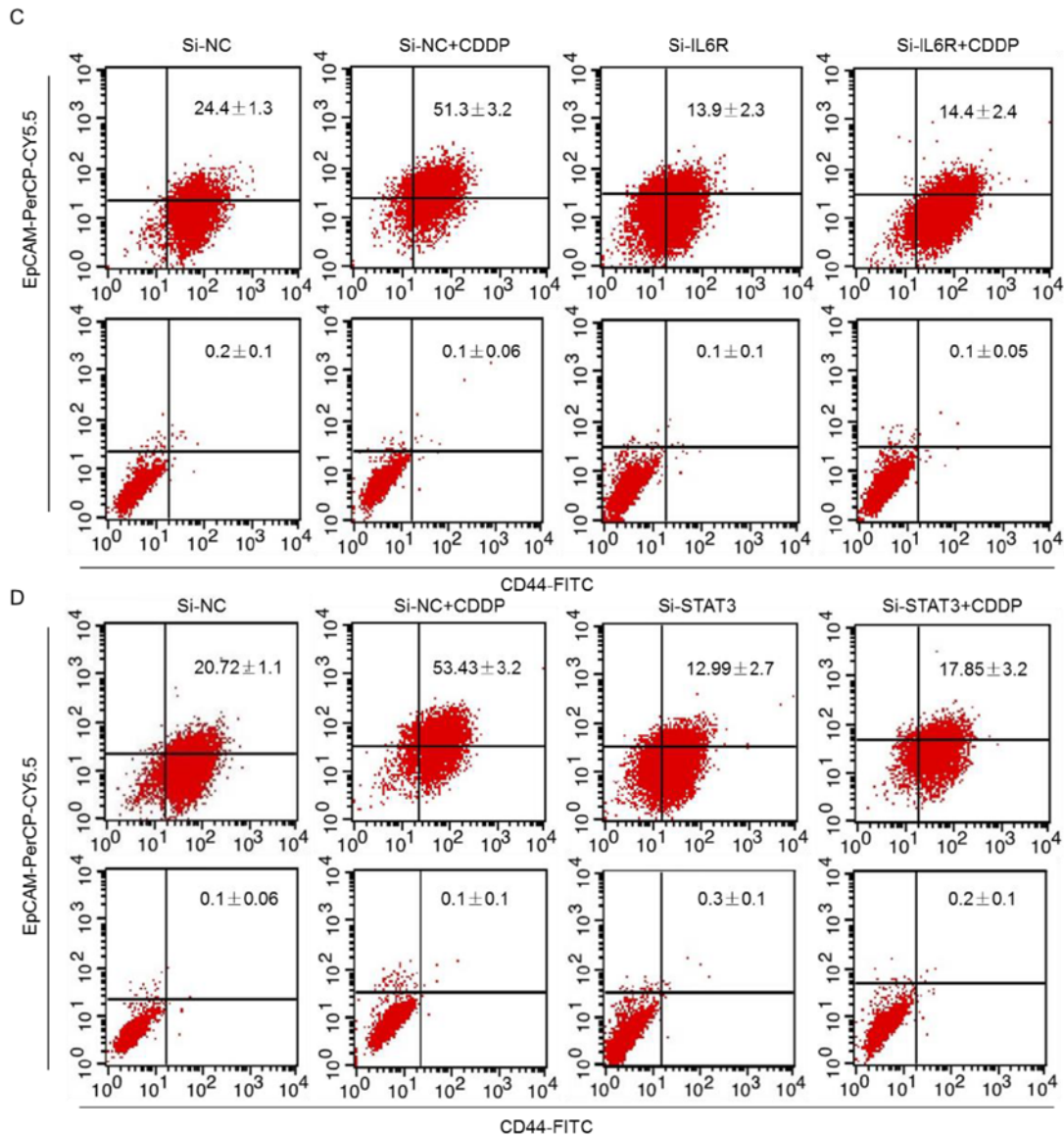


Fig. S4. IL-6/STAT3 signaling is responsible for CDDP-induced gastric CSC-like properties in MGC803.

(A-D) MGC803 cells were transfected with con-siRNA, IL6R-siRNA, or STAT3-siRNA for 12 h and then 2 μ M of CDDP was added for 72 h. (A, B) FACS analyses of the percentage of SP and (C, D) CD44⁺/EpCAM⁺ cells in MGC803 cell populations (mean \pm SD, n = 3).

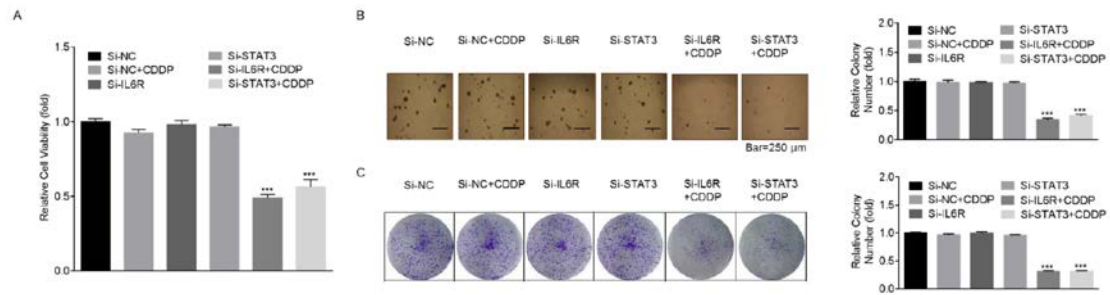


Fig. S5. Blocking IL-6/STAT3 signaling enhances the chemotherapy efficacy in BGC823.

(A-C) BGC823 cells were transfected with con-siRNA, IL6R-siRNA, or STAT3-siRNA for 12 h and then 2 μ M of CDDP was added for 72 h. (A) Cell viability was evaluated by the CCK-8 assay. (B, left) Soft agar colonies under a microscope after 2 weeks of cultivation. (B, right) Relative colony numbers in soft agar (mean \pm SD, n=5). (C, left) Plate colonies after 2 weeks. (C, right) Relative colony numbers in plates (mean \pm SD, n=3). *** p < 0.001 compared with MGC803 cells transfected by con-siRNA.

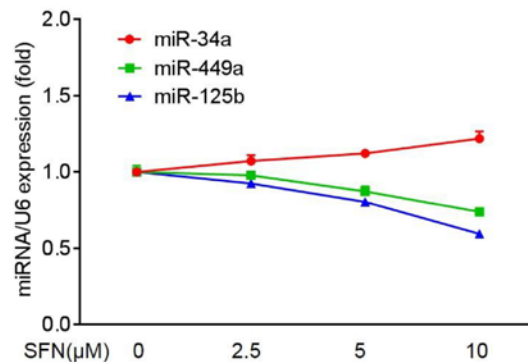


Fig. S6. The effects of SFN on miRNAs.

MGC803 cells were treated with 0, 2.5, 5, or 10 μ M of SFN for 72 h. The qRT-PCR analyses of related miRNAs (mean \pm SD, n=3).

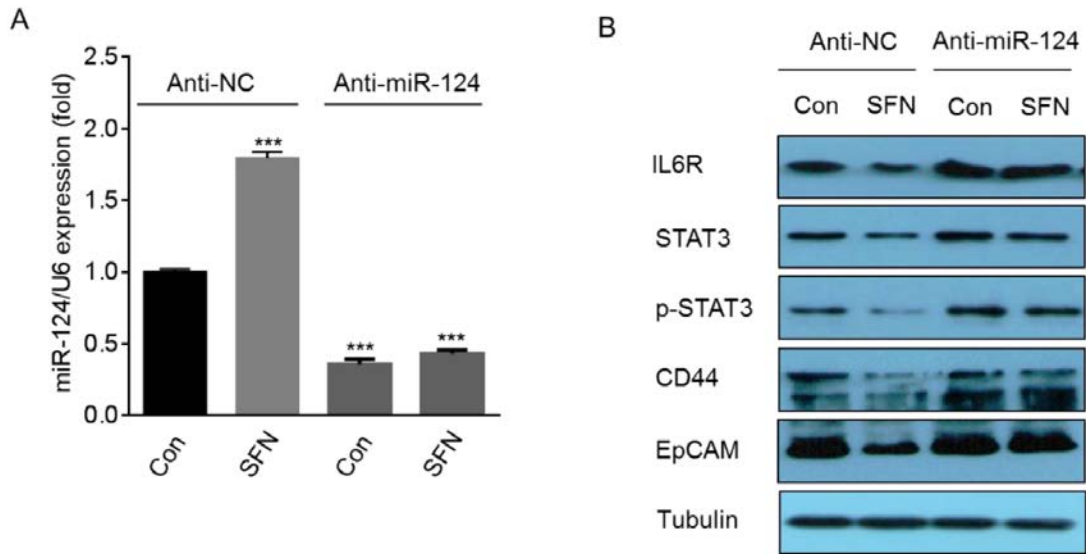
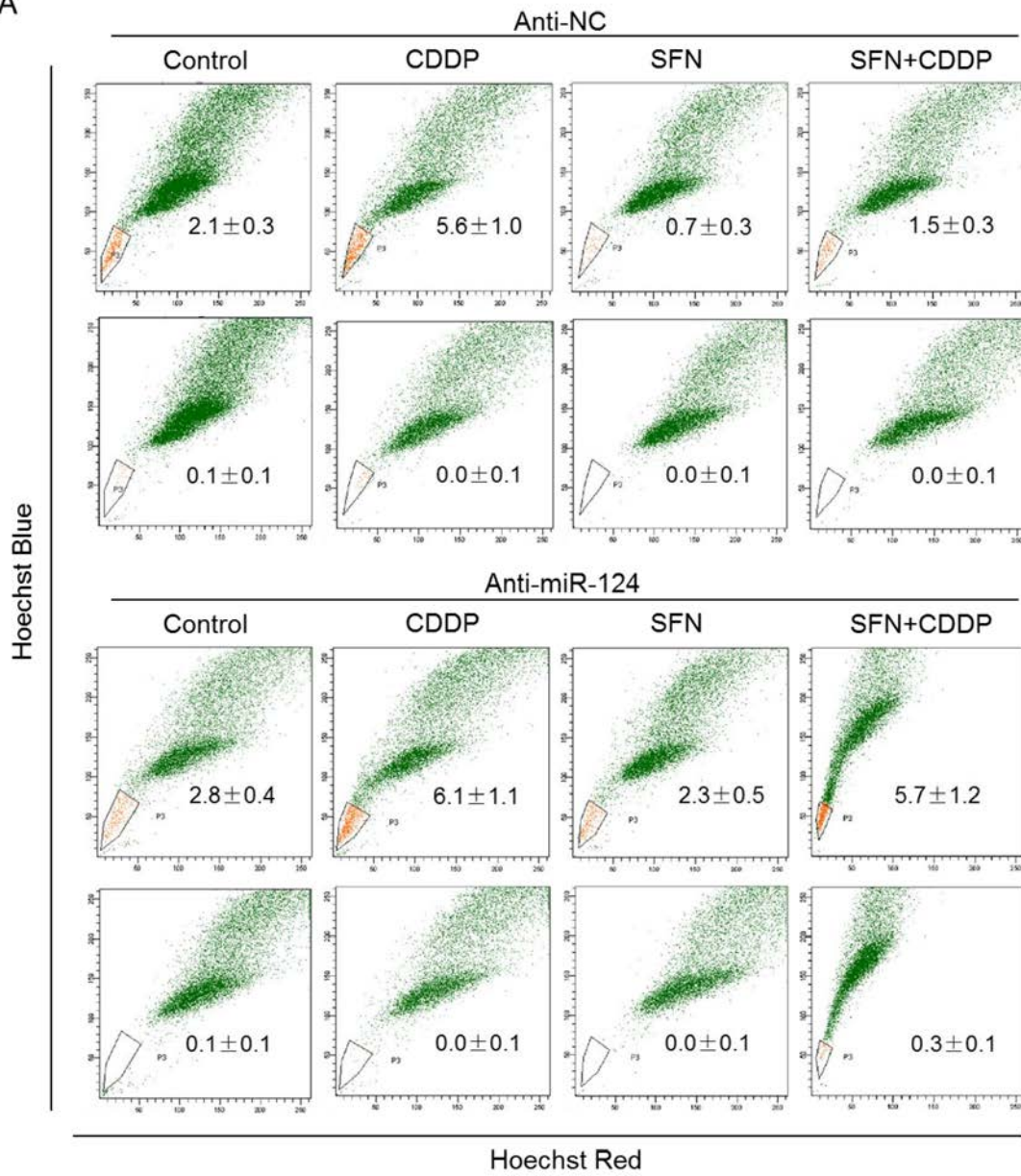


Fig. S7. SFN suppressed IL-6R, STAT3 and the CDDP-induced CSC surface markers via miR-124 in BGC823.

(A, B) BGC823 cells were transfected with anti-con or anti-miR-124 for 12 h and treated with 0 or 10 μ M of SFN for 72 h. (A) qRT-PCR analyses of miR-124 (mean \pm SD, n=3). *** $p < 0.001$ compared with BGC823 cells transfected with anti-con. (B) Western blot analysis of related proteins.

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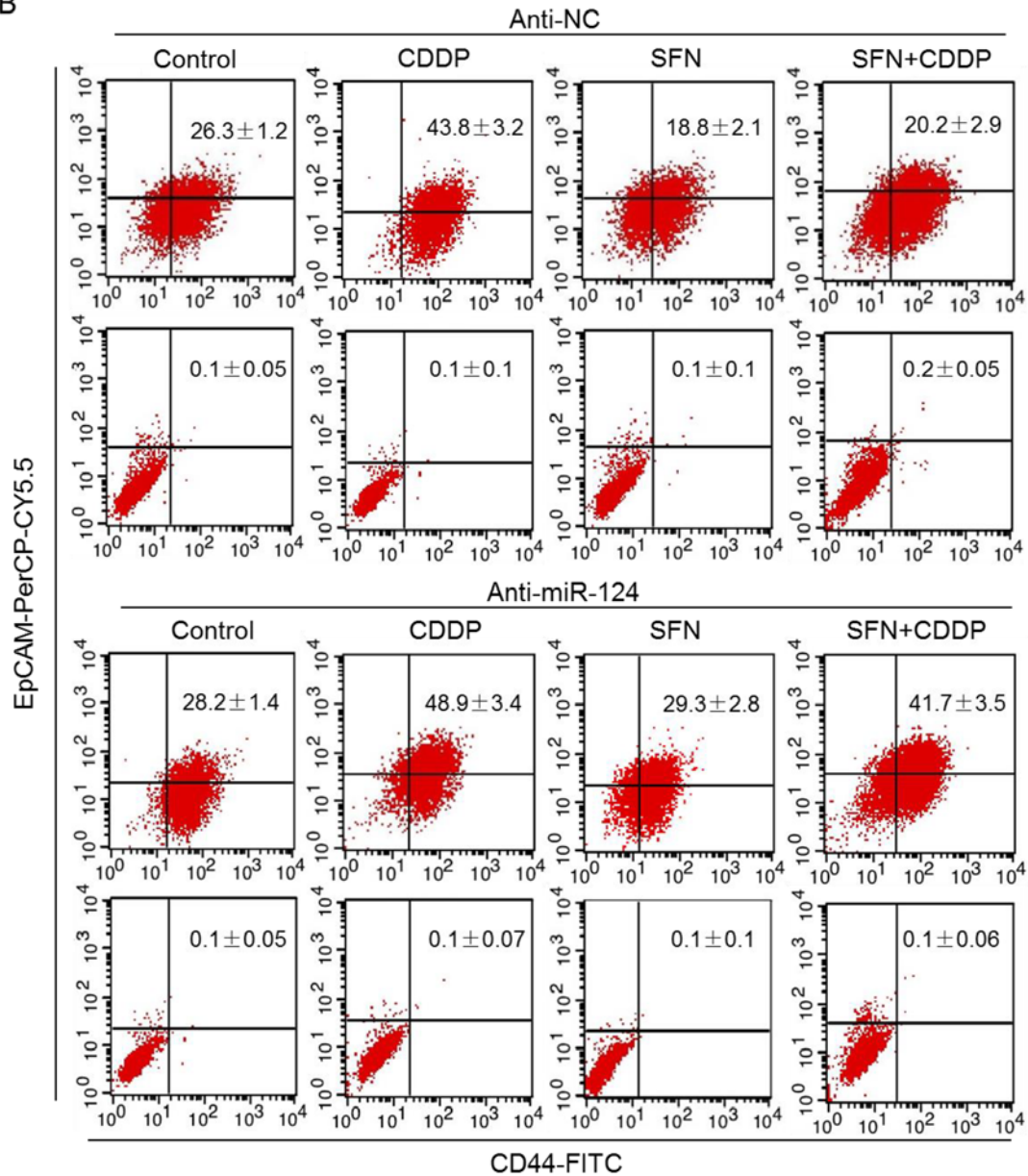
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Fig. S8. SFN decreases the CDDP-induced CSC-like properties via miR-124.

(A, B) MGC803 cells were transfected with anti-con or anti-miR-124 for 12 h and treated with 2 μ M of CDDP, 10 μ M of SFN, or their combination for 72 h. FACS analyses of the percentage of SP (A) and CD44⁺/EpCAM⁺ (B) cells in MGC803 cell populations (mean \pm SD, n = 3).