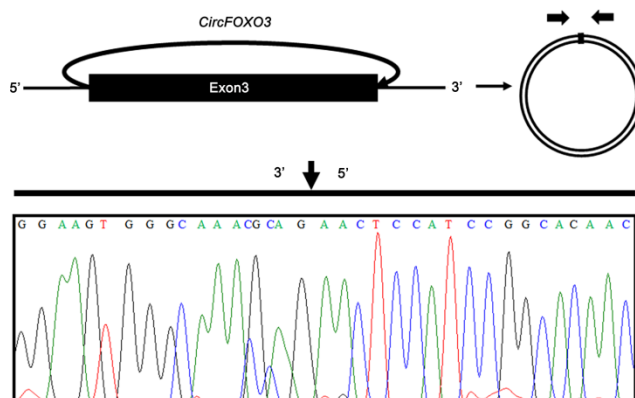


SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE



Supplementary Figure 1. Schematic representation of formation of the circFOXO3 through a back-splicing event at exon 3. The curved arrow joins the 5' splice site to the 3' splice site of exon 3. On the right, a schematic representation of circFOXO3 is depicted; arrows indicate the divergent primer couple used to detect circFOXO3. Below the scheme, direct-sequencing electropherogram shows the head-to-tail splice junction, indicated by a black arrow, located between the 3' and 5' splice sites of exon 3.