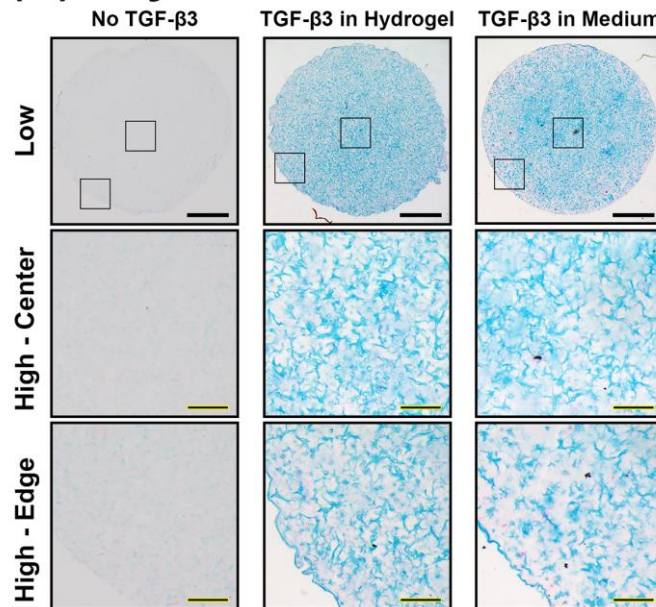
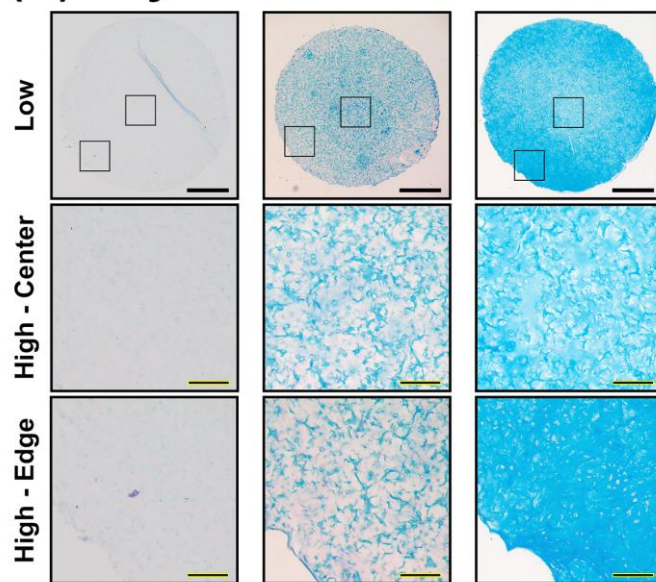


(A) Day 21



(B) Day 42



Appendix Figure A1. Histological assessment of chondrogenesis in ASC-seeded hydrogel cultured for 21 and 42 days. Alcian blue staining demonstrate that the presence of TGF- β 3, either preloaded in the hydrogel or as a culture medium supplement, is required for ASC chondrogenesis. Low magnification, scale bar = 1 mm; High magnification, scale bar = 200 μ m. Block boxes indicate regions of higher magnification in hydrogel center and edge.