

Fig S1. MGE induction of hESCs

Day 21 LHM differentiation cultures were immunostained for neural progenitor markers representing pan-forebrain (FOXG1) and MGE (NKX2.1) with DAPI counter stain (Blue). The panels shown are higher magnification of figure 1C.

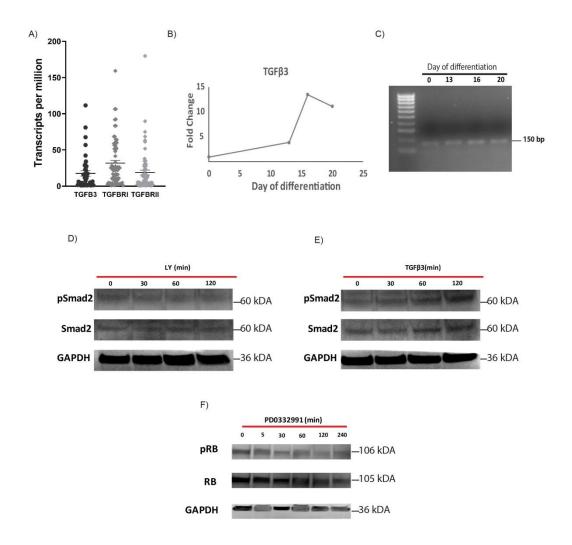


Figure S2. Validation of biological activity of TGF β 3, TGF β inhibitor LY2109761 and CDK4/6 inhibitor PD0332991

- A, Single cell RNAseq data showing the transcript levels of TGF β 3, TGF β RI and TGF β RII in a single hESC-derived MGE cells. n=42, 70 and 67, respectively; TPM: transcript per million.
- B, qPCR analysis for TGF β 3 at day 13, 16 and 20 and shows its upregulation relative to undifferentiated hESCs at day 0;
- C, Agarose gel electrophoresis showing the final 150bp qPCR product;
- D, hESC-derived MGE cells were exposed to LY2109761 for the time indicated and processed for Western blot analysis for total Smad2 and phospho-Smad2;
- E, Western blot analysis of TGFβ3 treated cells for total and phospho-Smad;.
- F, Western blot analysis for total and phosphorylated RB protein on cells treated with the CDK4/6 inhibitor PD0332991.

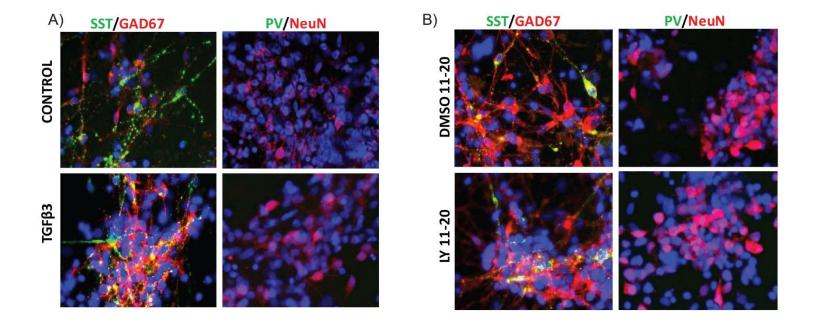


Figure S3, Higher magnification images A, Digital magnification of Figure 2E,

B, Digital magnification of Figure 3F.

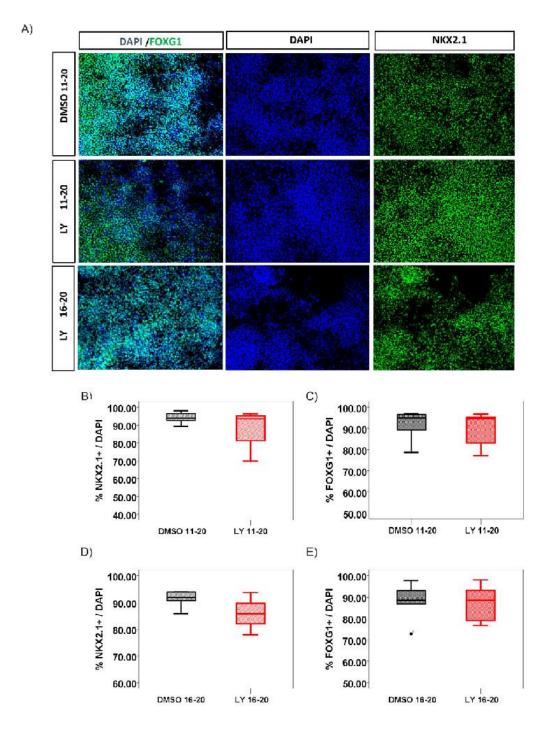


Fig S4, TGFβ inhibition doesn't affect MGE-progenitor production

A, Representative immunocytochemistry for NKX2.1 and FOXG1 in H7 parental line. B-E, Quantitative data of the marker-expressing cells in LY treated conditions and respective DMSO controls.

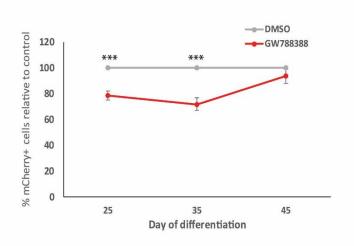


Figure S5. Effects of TGFβ inhibitor GW788388 on mCherry⁺ cell production Day 25 and day 35 flow cytometry profile of mCherry⁺ cells of cultures treated with or without GW788388. Shown are GW788388 relative to control values where the lateral was set as 100%. *** P<0.001, univariate analysis post-hoc Bonferroni.

Differentiation day

Fig S6, Effect of TGF β inhibition on expression of genes associated with MGE progenitors and post-mitotic neurons.

A) Expression profile in LHM cells of MGE-progenitors associated genes (*TOP2*, *FABP7*, *TACC3* and *CENPF*) in control (blue) and LY-treated cultures (orange). B) Expression profile in LHM cells of genes associated to post-mitotic MGE derivatives (*STMN2*, *GAD1*, *LHX6* and *SOX6*) in control (blue) and LY-treated cultures (orange). Data is presented as the mean fold change ± SEM from triplicates of two independent experiments.

Table S1 Antibodies used for immunocytochemistry

Antigen	Species	Supplier	Code	Dilution
CALRETININ	Rabbit	Swant	CR 7697	1:500
CTIP2	Rat	Abcam	Ab18465	1:500
FOXG1	Rabbit	Abcam	ab18259	1:250
GAD67	Mouse	Millipore	mab5406	1:500
LHX6	Rabbit	Santa cruz	sc98607	1:500
mCherry	CHICKEN	ABCAM	ab205402	1:500
NeuN	RABBIT	MILLIPORE		1:500
NKX2.1	Rabbit	Abcam	Ab76013	1:1000
OCT4	Goat	Santa cruz	Sc8628	1:500
OLIG2	Goat	R&D systems	AF2418	1:200
PAX6	Mouse	DSHB		1:1000
PARVALBUMIN	Mouse	Sigma	P3088	1:100
SOMATOSTATIN	Rat	Millipore	MAB354	1:50
TBR1	Rabbit	Abcam	ab31940	1:500