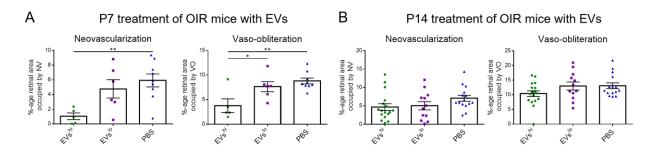
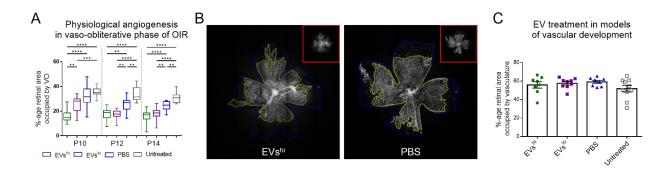
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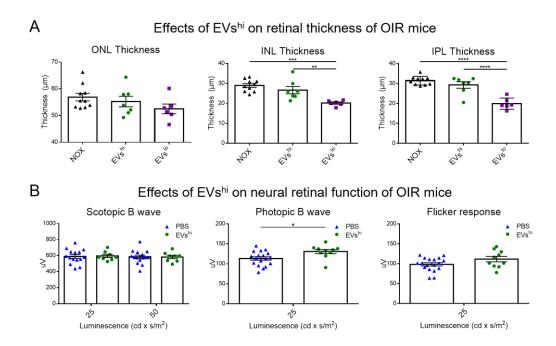


Supplemental Figure 1: Pretreatment of OIR mice with EVs<sup>hi</sup> rescued the model while treatment during the neovascular phase failed.

(**A-B**) Quantification of NV and VO in mice treated with EVs<sup>hi</sup>, EVs<sup>lo</sup>, or PBS (on P7) prior to incubation in hyperoxia in **A** and (at P14) two days into the neovascular phase of the OIR model in **B**. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; P7 injections: n=5 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup> n=6 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=9 retinas for PBS; P14 injections: n=17 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup> n=12 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=15 retinas for PBS. Error bars represent SEM.

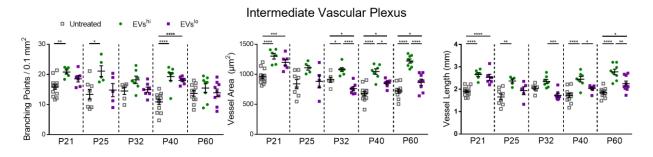


Supplemental Figure 2: EVshi promoted vascular growth during the vasoobliterative phase of OIR and had no effect in models of vascular development. (A) Quantification of VO in retinal flat-mounts of OIR mice at P10, P12, and P14 during the vaso-obliterative phase following P7 injection demonstrated decreased VO in mice treated with EVs<sup>hi</sup> in comparison to EVs<sup>lo</sup>, PBS, or untreated controls. Data is represented as a Whisker plot where the top and bottom of the box represent mean of the upper and lower quartiles, the horizontal line within the box represents the mean, and the bars outside the box represent the min and max data point. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; n=11-13 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup>, n=14-15 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=13-16 retinas for PBS, n=16-21 retinas for untreated mice. (B-C) EV treatment does not affect vascular development. (B) Representative images of GS-IB4 lectin-stained retinal flat-mounts at P5 following P2 injection of wild type pups with EVs<sup>hi</sup>, EVs<sup>lo</sup>, PBS, or untreated controls (C) Quantification of the percentage of retinal area covered by vasculature demonstrated no effect of EV treatment on vascular development. 1-way ANOVA; n=8 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup>, n=9 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=8 retinas for PBS, n=10 retinas for untreated mice. Error bars represent SEM.



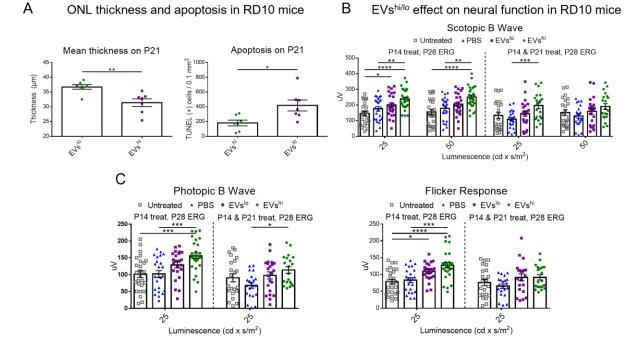
### Supplemental Figure 3: EVs<sup>hi</sup> were neuroprotective in the OIR model.

(**A**) Quantification of retinal thickness of the outer nuclear layer, inner nuclear layer, and inner plexiform layer at P30 following P12 treatment with  $EVs^{hi}$  versus  $EVs^{lo}$  as compared to normoxic (NOX) mice. Thicknesses were measured on retinal crosssections.  $EVs^{hi}$  restored the INL and IPL (significantly greater than  $EVs^{lo}$ ) to a thickness comparable to that of normoxic mice. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; n=7 retinas for  $EVs^{hi}$ , n=6 retinas for  $EVs^{lo}$ , and n=10 retinas for normoxic mice. (**B**) ERG recordings of neural retinal function measured on P30 following P12 treatment of OIR mice with  $EVs^{hi}$  demonstrated augmented photopic B wave compared to PBS vehicle-treated controls. Two-tailed Student's *t* test; n=8-10 retinas for  $EVs^{hi}$ , n=15-18 for PBS. Error bars represent SEM.



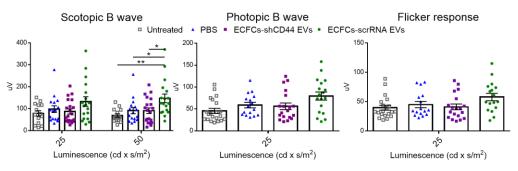
Supplemental Figure 4: EVs<sup>hi</sup> delayed atrophy of the intermediate plexus in inherited retinal degeneration mice.

Quantification of the branching points (left), total vessel area (middle), and total vessel length (right) in the deep vascular plexus at P21, P25, P32, P40, and P60 demonstrated EVs<sup>hi</sup> delay atrophy of the intermediate plexus. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; n=5-9 eyes in EV groups, n=8-14 eyes in untreated groups. Error bars represent SEM. \*P<0.05, \*\*P<0.01, \*\*\*P<0.001, \*\*\*\*P<0.0001



## Supplemental Figure 5: Repeated EVs<sup>hi</sup> treatment may not augment neurotrophic support to inherited retinal degeneration mice.

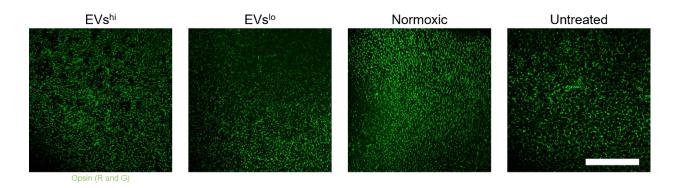
(A) Quantification of outer nuclear layer (ONL) thickness (left) and TUNEL staining (right) on immunohistochemistry of cross-sections from RD10 retinas treated P14 with EVs<sup>hi</sup> or EVs<sup>lo</sup> and harvested on P21. Two-tailed Student's *t* test; n=7 retinas for both groups. (**B-C**) Repeated injections are deleterious to retinal function of RD10 mice. ERG recordings of mice treated once (on P14, left of dotted line) versus twice (on P14 and P21, right of dotted line) demonstrated that repeated injections decreased retinal function in dark-adapted (scotopic) responses in **B** and light-adapted (photopic and flicker) responses in **C** across all groups. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; for experiments treating mice once at P14: n=28 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup>, n=24 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=23-24 retinas for PBS, n=25-26 retinas for untreated; for experiments treating mice twice at P14 and at P21: n=20 retinas for EVs<sup>hi</sup>, n=21-22 retinas for EVs<sup>lo</sup>, n=21 retinas for PBS, n=22 retinas for untreated. Error bars represent SEM.



#### Effect of EVs from CD44 KD ECFCs on neural function in RD10 mice

# Supplemental Figure 6: EVs from ECFCs with CD44 knockdown did not preserve neural retinal function in inherited retinal degeneration mice.

EVs isolated from ECFCs transfected with shRNA to CD44 (ECFCs-shCD44 EVs) and from control ECFCs transfected with scramble RNA (ECFCs-scrRNA EVs) were injected into RD10 mice on P14 along with PBS and untreated controls for ERG measurements on P28. ECFCs-shCD44 EVs failed to rescue rod-driven dark-adapted responses (scotopic B wave), which were significantly improved by treatment with ECFCs-scrRNA EVs. 1-way ANOVA with Tukey analysis; n=18 retinas for ECFCs-scrRNA EVs, n=20 retinas for ECFCs-shCD44 EVs, n=16 retinas for PBS, n=14 retinas for untreated. Error bars represent SEM.



Supplemental Figure 7: EVs<sup>hi</sup> improved cone photoreceptor density in inherited retinal degeneration mice. Representative images of opsin red/green stained retinal flat-mounts of P28 RD10 mice treated on P14 with EVs<sup>hi</sup>, EVs<sup>lo</sup>, or untreated controls versus normoxic BL6 mice.

		miRs upregulated in EVs <sup>hi</sup>								
		miR-7-5p	miR-30a-5p	miR-503-5p	miR-221-3p	miR-23a-3p	miR-100-5p	miR-381-3p	miR-216a-3p	miR-181b-5p
miRs downregulated in EVs <sup>hi</sup>	miR-409-3p	0.80	-7.70	5.08	-0.86	1.92	5.40	-5.24	12.37	2.14
	miR-30d-5p	7.49	-0.75	11.87	5.92	8.42	12.19	2.10	18.87	8.93
	miR-191-5p	6.38	-1.92	10.67	4.72	7.68	10.99	0.15	18.13	7.73
	miR-26a-5p	5.11	-3.13	9.67	3.66	6.66	9.82	-0.69	18.62	6.65
	miR-584-5p	1.34	-6.05	5.83	-0.12	3.01	6.15	-4.52	13.46	2.89
	miR-26b-5p	4.47	-4.12	8.74	2.79	5.68	9.06	-1.72	16.13	5.80
	miR-671-3p	23.44	-6.81	22.82	10.32	15.31	17.50	-15.19	37.88	13.89
	miR-335-3p	4.63	-4.21	9.34	3.08	10.10	9.00	-4.10	25.10	6.20
	miR-486-5p	3.50	-4.64	8.03	2.10	5.40	8.33	-0.90	15.85	5.08
n	miR-128-3p	8.83	1.03	13.17	7.23	10.29	13.49	2.73	20.73	10.33

Supplemental Table 1: RT-qPCR validation of differentially expressed miRs on

small RNA sequencing.

<u>Reagent</u> <u>Company</u>		Host species Catalog No.		<b>Dilution Factor</b>				
Flow cytometry on ECFCs								
CD44 conjugated to APC	BD PharMingen	Mouse	559942	$5\mu L/test$ (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD13 conjugated to APC	BioLegend	Mouse	301705	$5~\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD14 conjugated to FITC	BD PharMingen	Mouse	557153	$5~\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD31 conjugated to FITC	BD PharMingen	Mouse	560984	$5\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD45 conjugated to FITC	BD PharMingen	Mouse	560976	$5\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD90 conjugated to PE	BD PharMingen	Mouse	561970	$5 \mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
CD105 conjugated to APC	BD PharMingen	Mouse	562408	$5~\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
VEGFR-2 conjugated to PE	R & D Systems	Mouse	FAB357P	$5\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
HLA-A,B,C conjugated to PE	BioLegend	Mouse	311405	$5~\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
HLA-DR conjugated to APC	BioLegend	Mouse	307609	$5\mu L$ / test (1 x 10*6 cells in 100 $\mu L$ buffer)				
Flow cytometry on EVs								
CD9-Exo-Flow Capture Kit	SBI		EXOFLOW100A-1	10 μL capture antibody / 100 μL beads / 10 μL detection antibody / test				
CD31-Exo-Flow Capture Kit	SBI		EXOFLOW200A-1	10 μL capture antibody / 100 μL beads / 10 μL detection antibody / test				
CD63-Exo-Flow Capture Kit	SBI		EXOFLOW300A-1	10 μL capture antibody / 100 μL beads / 10 μL detection antibody / test				
CD81-Exo-Flow Capture Kit	SBI		EXOFLOW400A-1	10 μL capture antibody / 100 μL beads / 10 μL detection antibody / test				
Immunohistochemistry								
PECAM-1	BD PharMingen	Rat	553370	1:200				
MAP2	Sigma	Mouse	M4403	1:1000				
Arrestin	EMD Millipore	Rabbit	AB15282	1:200				
Rhodopsin	EMD Millipore	Mouse	MABN15	1:1000				
Opsin (Red/Green)	EMD Millipore	Rabbit	AB5405	1:200				
Isolectin GS IB-4	ThermoFisher	N/A	I21413	1:200				
Iba1	Wako	Rabbit	019-19741	1:200				

Supplemental Table 2: Reagents for flow cytometry and immunohistochemical

staining.

Product Line	<u>Target</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Assay ID</u>					
Transduction efficiency measurements								
TaqMan Gene Expression Assay	CD44	ThermoFisher	Hs00229023_m1					
TaqMan Gene Expression Assay	DICER1	ThermoFisher	Hs01075862_m1					
TaqMan Gene Expression Assay	GAPDH	ThermoFisher	Hs02758991_g1s					
TaqMan MicroRNA Assay	hsa-miR-7-5p	ThermoFisher	005723_mat					
TaqMan MicroRNA Assay	hsa-miR-216a-3p	ThermoFisher	475580_mat					
TaqMan MicroRNA Assay	hsa-miR-503-5p	ThermoFisher	001048					
TaqMan MicroRNA Assay	U6 snRNA	ThermoFisher	001973					
RT-qPCR validation of small RNA sequencing results								
TaqMan Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-7-5p	ThermoFisher	483061_mir					
TaqMan Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-23a-3p	ThermoFisher	478532_mir					
Taqman Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-26a-5p	ThermoFisher	477995_mir					
Taqman Advanced miRNA Assay	has-miR-26b-5p	ThermoFisher	478418_mir					
TaqMan Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-30a-5p	ThermoFisher	479448_mir					
Taqman Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-30d-5p	ThermoFisher	478606_mir					
TaqMan Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-100-5p	ThermoFisher	478224_mir					
Taqman Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-128-3p	ThermoFisher	477892_mir					
TaqMan Advanced miRNA Assay	hsa-miR-181b-5p	ThermoFisher	478583_mir					
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Supplemental Table 3: Reagents for RT-qPCR.