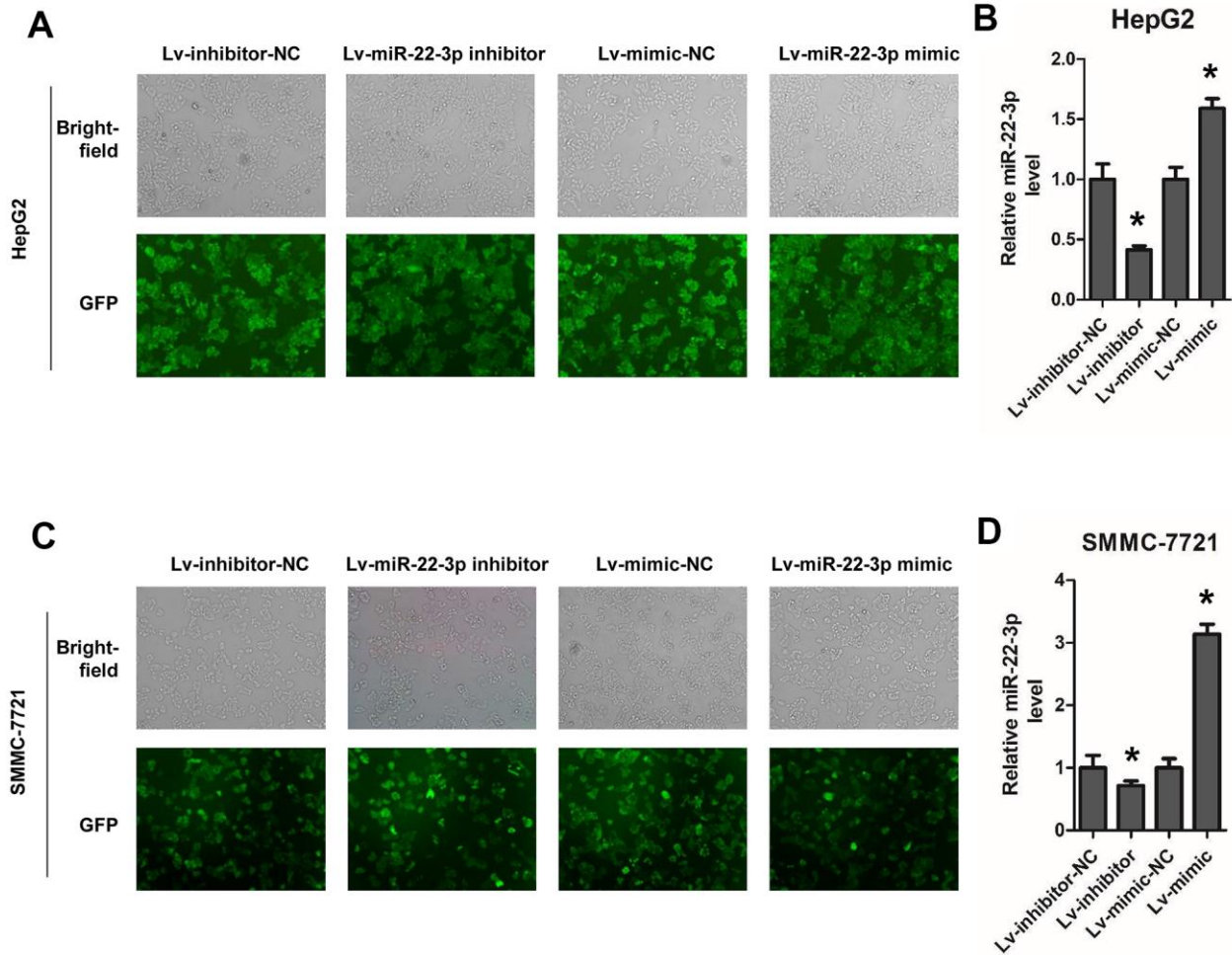
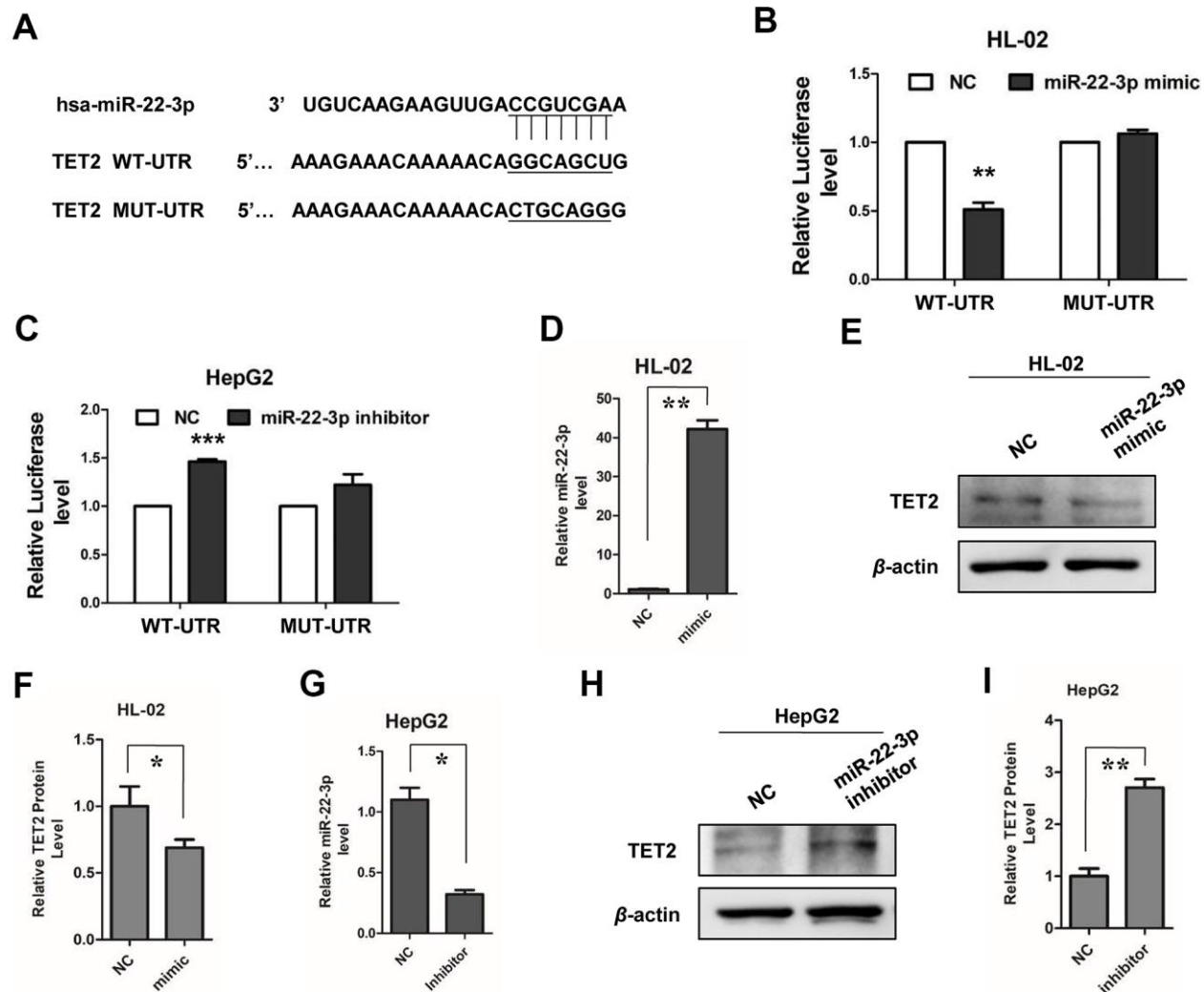


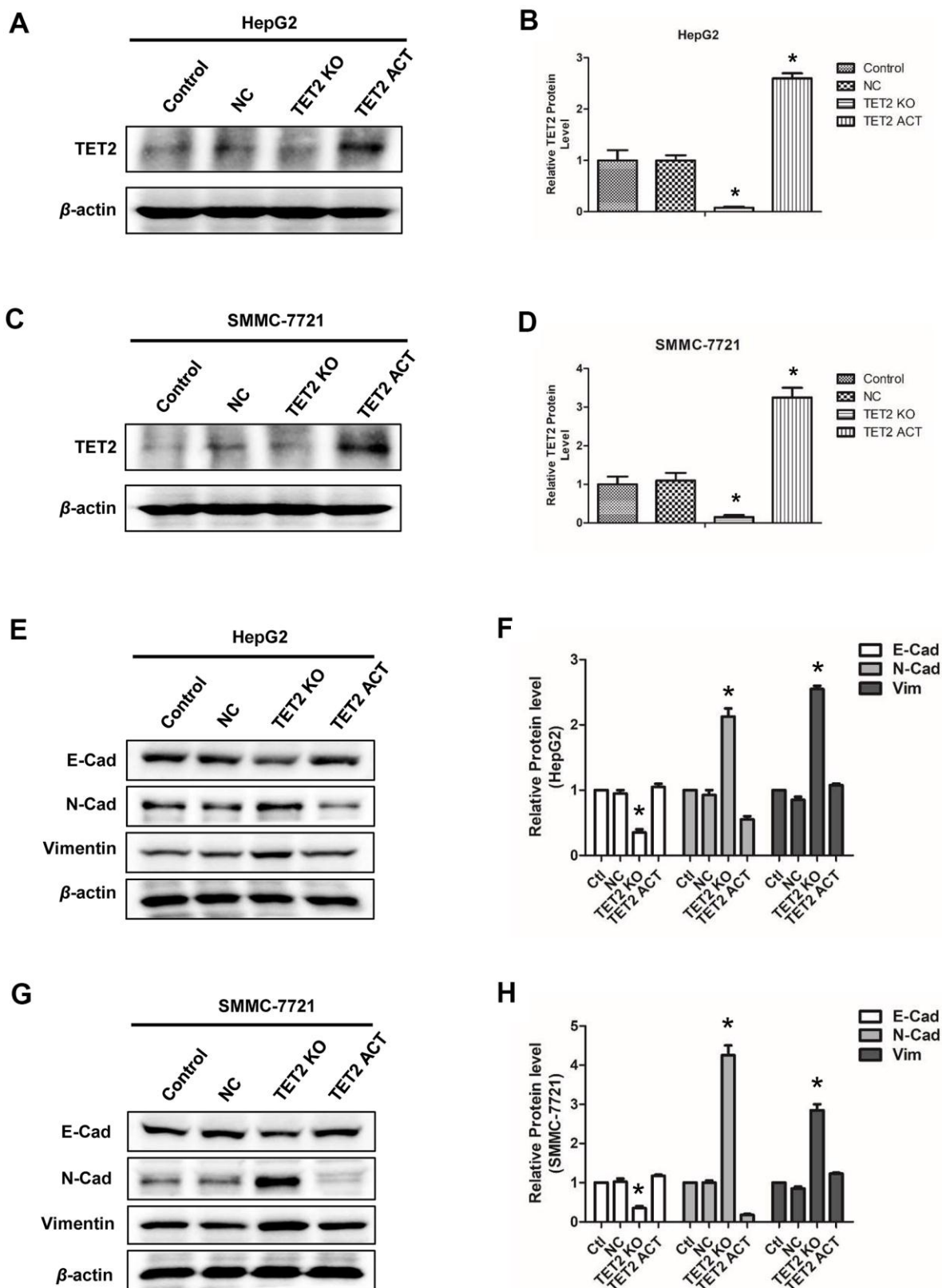
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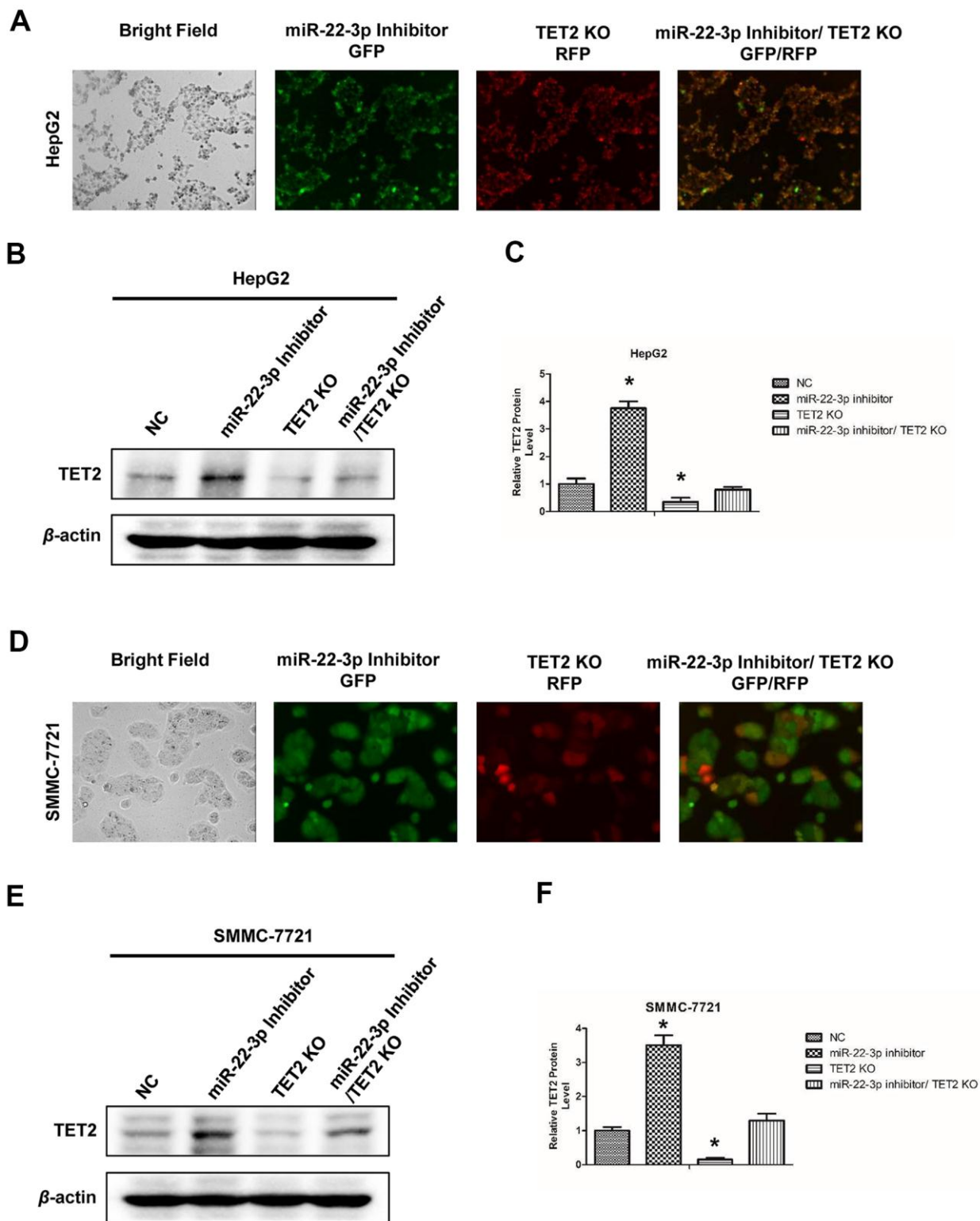
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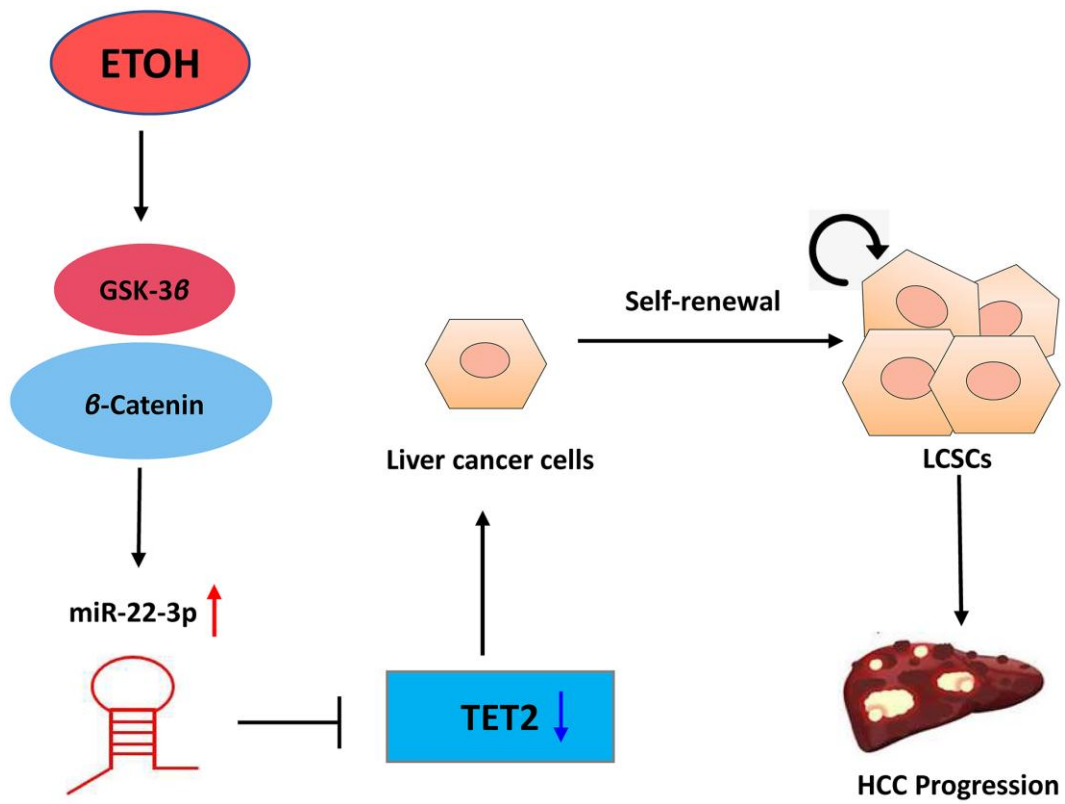
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Supplementary Figure 3. Expression of EMT markers in HCC cells. (A–D) The protein level of TET2 in HCC cells transfected with TET2 CRISPR/Cas9Knockout (KO) and TET2 CRISPR/Cas9Activation (ACT) plasmid. * $P < 0.05$. (E–H) Expression of EMT related gene protein of HCC cells in control, negative-control, TET2 Knockout (KO) and TET2 Activation (ACT) groups. * $P < 0.05$.



Supplementary Figure 4. Co-expression efficiency of lentivirus miR-22-3p inhibitor and TET2 CRISPR/Cas9 KO plasmid. (A) GFP and RFP positive pictures showed the HepG2 cells successfully infected with lentivirus expressing miR-22-3p inhibitor and transfected with TET2 CRISPR/Cas9 KO plasmid. (B, C) Relative TET2 level in HepG2 cells successfully infected with lentivirus expressing miR-22-3p inhibitor and transfected with TET2 CRISPR/Cas9 KO plasmid. * $P < 0.05$. (D) GFP and RFP positive pictures showed the SMMC-7721 cells successfully infected with lentivirus expressing miR-22-3p inhibitor and transfected with TET2 CRISPR/Cas9 KO plasmid. (E, F) Relative TET2 level in SMMC-7721 cells successfully infected with lentivirus expressing miR-22-3p inhibitor and transfected with TET2 CRISPR/Cas9 KO plasmid. * $P < 0.05$.



Supplementary Figure 5. Working model of β -catenin/miR-22-3p/TET2 axis. Chronic ethanol exposure promotes HCC progression through β -catenin/miR-22-3p/TET2 axis.