



Supplementary Figure S1 Respective roles of ER α and AP1 in generating the basal activity of the pS2 gene. **(A)** After synchronization in G1 phase, MCF-7 cells were treated by 2.5 μ M α -amanitin for 90 min. After washings to remove α -amanitin, cells were plated in E2-free media. Chromatin was then prepared from $2 \cdot 10^6$ cells sampled each 5 or 10 mn, and immunoprecipitated with antibodies specific for ER α [HC20 (#sc-543), Santa Cruz, Heidelberg, Germany], P-PolII [Clone CTD4H8 (#05-623), Upstate Biotechnology, Buckingham, England] or AP1 [H-79 (#sc-1694), Santa Cruz]. The presence of the pS2 promoter in ChIPped fractions was quantified by real-time PCR and normalized to inputs. **(B)** Re-ChIP experiments using pooled chromatin prepared at the time points indicated in the Panel **A**. Using the different antibodies in combinations demonstrate that apo-ER α is not associated with activated/phosphorylated Pol II on the pS2 promoter.

Altogether, these assays suggest that AP1, but not ER α , is responsible for the activation of the transcriptional machinery that generated the basal transcriptional activity of the pS2 gene.