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Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.

Software and code

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Data collection

-Zeiss Axio Observer.Z1
-Zeiss LSM 880 laser scanning confocal microscope
-Mantra quantitative pathology workstation (Akoya biosciences)
-LSRFortessa (Becton Dickinson)
-illumina HiSeq
-illumina NovaSeq 6000

Data analysis

-Prism program (Prism 5.0,9.0 GraphPad Software, San Diego, CA)
-ZEN lite image analysis software 2.4
-inForm image analysis software (Akoya biosciences) 2.6
-EaSeq 1.111
-Genomic Regions Enrichment of Annotations Tool (GREAT) 4.0.4
-Trawler (trawler.erc.monash.edu.au) 2.0
-R studio (v1.3.1073)
-Loupe Cell Browser 6.0
-Cytobank platform (cytobank.org) 9.4

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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
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The raw single cell RNA-seq and CHIP-seq datasets are available in the Gene Expression Omnibus and ArrayExpress database under the accession number GSE186530 and E-MTAB-12740 respectively. The human NSCLC publicly available data used in this study are available in the 10X Genomics database[<https://www.10xgenomics.com/resources/datasets/40-k-mixture-of-nscl-dt-cs-from-7-donors-3-ht-v-3-1-3-1-high-6-1-0>]. Source data are provided in this paper.

Human research participants

Policy information about [studies involving human research participants and Sex and Gender in Research](#).

Reporting on sex and gender	Patient sex information was not considered in study design.
Population characteristics	Clinical information are listed in Supplementary Table 1 and Supplementary Data 1
Recruitment	Participants were recruited by face to face. Written informed consent were obtained from all participants after they notice the study detail and agree to involve. To avoid self-selection bias, the researcher who analyses the data was not involved in the recruitment and consent process.
Ethics oversight	The study was conducted according to the principles of the Declaration of Helsinki. This study was approved by the Joint Chinese University of Hong Kong – New Territories East Cluster Clinical Research Ethics Committee (CREC Ref. No.: 2018.054).

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	Sample size was determined on calculations based on our previous published data (https://www.nature.com/articles/ncomms14677) and power calculator from Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee(CUHK), showing that a sample size of n = 3 to 5 mice per group are sufficient to attain statistical significance of p<0.05. Triplicate experiments were applied in in-vitro experiments. For Single cell RNA-seq experiments, 8 tumors per genotype were pooled. For CHIP-seq experiments, each group of bone marrow derived neutrophils was pooled from at least three mice. A total of 72 lung adenocarcinoma specimens from patients with complete patient demographic data (stage, mutation) were retrieved from LUAD cohort, Prince of Wales Hospital, Hong Kong.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded
Replication	For all data presented in the manuscript, we examined at least three independent biological samples (three different mice at one time) to ensure the reproducibility. For each series of the experiments, all attempts at replication were successful.
Randomization	Animals were randomly assigned to the experimental groups. Smad3-KO and Smad3-WT mice were determined by genotype.
Blinding	Investigators were not blinded to allocation of mice for experimental groups because this choice was driven by genotype (Smad3-KO and Smad3-WT). Experiments that were consistently blinded included Immunohistochemistry, Immunofluorescence, FACS and qPCR.

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Methods

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Antibodies

Antibodies used

mCD206 (1:100, 141706, BioLegend, clone:C068C2), hCD206 (1:100, sc-376232, Santa Cruz,clone:C-10),hCD206-FITC(1:100, 321104, BioLegend, clone:15C2), iNOS (1:100, sc-7271, Santa Cruz,clone:C-11), TNF- α (1:100, sc-52746, Santa Cruz,clone:C-4), Icam1 (1:100, sc-8439, Santa Cruz,clone:G-5), p-Smad3 (paraffin section, 1:100, sc-517575, Santa Cruz,clone:1D9), CD16b-PE (1:100, 550868, BD Biosciences,clone: CLBgran11.5), Ly6G-FITC (1:100, 127606, BioLegend,clone:1A8), Ly6G-PE (1:100, 127608, BioLegend,clone:1A8), Ly6G-APC (1:100, 127614, BioLegend,clone:1A8), p-Smad3 (1:200, 600-401-919, Rockland,Polyclonal), CD11b-APC (1:100, 553311, BD Biosciences,clone:M1/70 (RUO)). CD68-APC(1:100, 333810, BioLegend, clone:Y1/82A). Anti-Smad3 (1:100, 9523S, Cell Signaling technology,clone:C67H9) , IgG Isotype Control (3900S, Cell signaling technology,clone:DA1E), EnVision+system-HRp-Labelled Polymer Anti-mouse(100 μ L per section, K4003, Dako), EnVision+system-HRp-Labelled Polymer Anti-Rabbit(100 μ L per section, K4003, Dako), Goat anti-Rat IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, HRP(1:200,31470, Thermo fisher).Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ 488(A-11001, Invitrogen), Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ 546(A-11035, Invitrogen), Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ 546(A-11035, Invitrogen), Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ Plus 647 (A32733, Invitrogen), Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor™ Plus 647(A32728, Invitrogen)

Validation

All antibodies used in our study are commercially purchased from credible sources and have been validated by the manufacturer and other investigator. All antibody validation can be found on the manufacturer website.

mCD206-PE validated on mouse macrophages (<https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-mouse-cd206-mmr-antibody-7424?GroupID=BLG9506>)

hCD206 validated on human lung tissue (<https://www.scbt.com/p/cd206-antibody-c-10>)

hCD206-FITC validated on human peripheral blood (<https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/search-results/fic-anti-human-cd206-mmr-antibody-2993>)

iNOS validated on RAW 264.7 cell and human heart muscle tissue (<https://www.scbt.com/p/nos2-antibody-c-11>)

TNF- α validated on mouse heart tissue (<https://www.scbt.com/p/tnfalpha-antibody-52b83>)

Icam1 validated on mouse colon tissue(<https://www.scbt.com/p/icam-1-antibody-g-50>)

p-Smad3 (Santa Cruz) validated on human Lung cancer and mouse hepatocellular carcinoma (<https://www.scbt.com/p/p-smad3-antibody-1d9>)

CD16b-PE validated on peripheral blood granulocytes (<https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-eu/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/pe-mouse-anti-human-cd16b.550868>)

Ly6G-FITC validated on mouse bone marrow cells (<https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/fic-anti-mouse-ly-6g-antibody-4775?GroupID=BLG5803>)

Ly6G-PE validated on mouse bone marrow cells (<https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/pe-anti-mouse-ly-6g-antibody-4777?GroupID=BLG5803>)

Ly6G-APC validated on mouse bone marrow cells (<https://www.biolegend.com/fr-lu/products/apc-anti-mouse-ly-6g-antibody-6115>)

CD11b-APC validated on bone-marrow myeloid cells (<https://www.bdbiosciences.com/en-au/products/reagents/flow-cytometry-reagents/research-reagents/single-color-antibodies-ruo/pe-rat-anti-cd11b.553311>)

p-Smad3 (Rockland) validated on human brain and cancer (<https://www.rockland.com/categories/primary-antibodies/smad3-phospho-s423-phospho-s425-antibody-600-401-919/>)

CD68-APC validated on human peripheral blood monocytes (<https://www.biolegend.com/en-us/products/apc-anti-human-cd68-antibody-6542?GroupID=BLG10058>)

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)

Lewis lung carcinoma LLC (CRL-1642, ATCC)

Authentication	None of the cell line used were authenticated
Mycoplasma contamination	The cell line were not tested for Mycoplasma contamination. Mycoplasma contamination was excluded through PCR-based and luminescence-based mycoplasma assays by the manufacturer
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	Lewis lung carcinoma LLC (CRL-1642, ATCC) is not list in version 12 of ICLAC Register of Misidentified Cell Lines

Animals and other research organisms

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Laboratory animals	Smad3-wildtype (Smad3+/+), Smad3-deficient (Smad3-/-) mice on C57BL/6J background (both sexes, aged 8-12 weeks) and NOD.Cg-Prkdcscidll2rgtm1Wjl/SzJ mice (NSG mice, male, aged 8-10-weeks) were used in this study. All mice were provided by the Laboratory Animal Service Center of CUHK and maintained at 22–23°C, <70% relative humidity with an alternating 12 h light/dark cycle with free access to standard diet and water.
Wild animals	No wild animal involve
Reporting on sex	both sex involve in the animal study
Field-collected samples	The study did not involve field-collected samples
Ethics oversight	All experimental procedures were approved by the Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee of the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) and were carried out in accordance with the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals. (AEEC Ref No.: 18/005/GRF).

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ChIP-seq

Data deposition

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- Confirm that you have deposited or provided access to graph files (e.g. BED files) for the called peaks.

Data access links <i>May remain private before publication.</i>	The raw ChIP-seq datasets are available in the ArrayExpress database under the accession number E-MTAB-12740.
Files in database submission	<p>Smad3_ChIP_CM_1.fq.gz Smad3_ChIP_CM_2.fq.gz Smad3_ChIP_Co_1.fq.gz Smad3_ChIP_Co_2.fq.gz Smad3_Input_CM_1.fq.gz Smad3_Input_CM_2.fq.gz Smad3_Input_Co_1.fq.gz Smad3_Input_Co_2.fq.gz</p> <p>Smad3_ChIP_CM.bed Smad3_ChIP_Co.bed</p>
Genome browser session (e.g. UCSC)	Genomic Regions Enrichment of Annotations Tool (GREAT) http://great.stanford.edu/public/html/

Methodology

Replicates	Input and Smad3-IP is pooled from 4 individual sample
Sequencing depth	6GB
Antibodies	Anti-Smad3 (1:100, 9523S, Cell signaling technology), IgG Isotype Control (1:1000, 3900S, Cell signaling technology)
Peak calling parameters	Mapped against GRCh38 (mm10) mus musculus genome using bowtie2. Peak called using model-based analysis for ChIP-Seq (MACS) with default parameters
Data quality	Peaks that were detected in the input sample were filtered out.

Software

Binding regions were visualized by EaSeq, and annotated by Genomic Regions Enrichment of Annotations Tool (GREAT) for DAVID-GO enrichment analysis. Motif analysis was performed in Trawler (trawler.erc.monash.edu.au) with default parameters.

Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

Tissues isolated from tumor-bearing mice were mechanically dissociated, digested by Liberase™ TM (Roche), filtered by 40- μ m nylon mesh, and fixed with IC Fixation Buffer (eBioscience) according to manufacturer's protocol to prepare single-cell suspension.

Instrument

LSRFortessa (Becton Dickinson)

Software

Flow cytometric data were acquired on LSRFortessa (Becton Dickinson) and analyzed in the Cytobank platform (cytobank.org) for quantitative analysis

Cell population abundance

Profiling of neutrophil was performed on single cell suspensions created from LLC tumors grown in mice. After FSC/SSC gating 10,000 cells was collected for experiments.

Gating strategy

Use FSC/SSC to gate the starting population, use ISO control without antibody staining as negative control. Gating strategy is shown in Supplementary Fig 12.

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