In vitro CRISPR screening uncovers CRTC3 as a regulator of IFN-γ-induced ferroptosis of

hepatocellular carcinoma

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Supplementary material and methods

Quantitative PCR

Total RNA was isolated with Trizol reagent (Invitrogen, Thermo Fisher Scientific). cDNA

synthesis was performed with 1µg of total RNA using the manufacturer's protocol. Quantitative

PCR (qPCR) was performed on cDNA containing TB green reagent (RR820A; TaKaRa, Tokyo,

JAPAN) and specific primers on a Real-time PCR machine (qTOWER3G, Analytik Jena, Jena,

Germany) (n=3). All results were normalized to β-actin mRNA levels. Gene expression levels were

measured using the $\Delta\Delta$ Ct method. Sequences of primers are as follows:

ACSL5 forward: TCCTGACGTTTGGAACGGC

ACSL5 reverse: CTCCCTCAATCCCCACAGAC

β-actin forward: GAGAAAATCTGGCACCACACC

β-actin reverse: GGATAGCACAGCCTGGATAGCAA

Supplementary figures

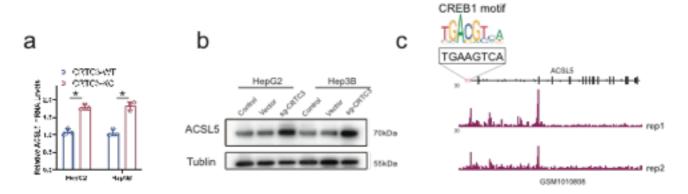


Fig. S1: Bioinformatics and ChIP-sequencing analysis revealed ACSL5 as a direct target of CREB1.

a. qPCR analysis showed enhanced ACSL5 expression in mRNA levels following CRTC3 knockout in both Hep3B and HepG2 cell lines (n=3). **b.** Western blotting revealed enhanced ACSL5 expression in protein levels (replicated for 3 times). **c.** Bioinformatics analysis using https://jaspar.genereg.net/ and ChIP-sequencing analysis using data from GSM1010808 found a binding motif of CREB1 in the transcriptional regulatory regions of ACSL5.