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Data collection RNA-Seq data on cell lines were downloaded from CCLE. RNA-Seq data on breast cancer samples in TCGA (BRCA PanCancer Atlas version) and METABRIC (Nature 2012 & Nat Commun 2016 version) were downloaded from cBio Portal. Pathway gene sets were downloaded from MSigDB v7.2.

Data analysis RNA-Seq data were processed by STAR v020201. ChIP-Seq data were analyzed by Bowtie2 v2.1.0, Samtools v1.7, PICARD v2.18.3, MACS2 v2.1.2.20181017, Homer v4.9.1, and MEME Suite v5.0.1. PLSR analysis was done by pyChemometrics V0.13.3 and scikit-learn v0.23.2. Molecular dynamics simulation was done by Visual Molecular Dynamics (VMD) and NAMD v2.13. More detailed information on all software and the run parameters are listed in the Methods and the Supplementary Methods.

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Raw sequencing data for RNA-Seq and ChIP-Seq experiments were deposited to the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) with an accession number of GSE162341 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE162341>), which is accessible to reviewers (reviewer's token: mvwxyiwszhmjpij). Phenotype data, processed RNA-Seq/ChIP-Seq data, and pathway analysis results used for figures are provided in Supplementary Tables.

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Sample size

To detect log₂ fold change of +/-1.0 from the reference WTOE cells with SD of 0.5 (assumed from our previous observations) at the significance level of 0.05, six samples per group would provide 94% power. Actual samples sizes per group used in this study ranged from 6 to 191 (average N = 35).

Data exclusions

The data from samples that showed excessive cell death or with values out of measurable range were excluded.

Replication

All assays were done on two to six batches of independent batches of cell lines in triplicates, and all results were merged for data analyses.

Randomization

Not applicable

Blinding

Not applicable

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- ChIP-seq
- Flow cytometry
- MRI-based neuroimaging

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ChIP-seq

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Files in database submission

Methodology

Replicates

ChIP-seq was performed on a single sample for each p53 mutant expressing cell line.

Sequencing depth

For the R273C mutant, the IP has a total of 86070616 reads, with 69140728 reads being uniquely mapped. The Input has a total of 50553660 reads, out of which 40203272 reads are uniquely mapped. For the R273H mutant, the IP has a total of 118909370 reads, with 96402864 reads being uniquely mapped. The Input has a total of 47754944 reads, out of which 37416690 reads are uniquely mapped. For the WT-OE, the IP has a total of 111881528 reads, with 82792119 reads being uniquely mapped. The Input has a total of 49997780 reads, out of which 39678326 reads are uniquely mapped. For the Y220C mutant, the IP has a total of 90848278 reads, with 71622926 reads being uniquely mapped. The Input has a total of 44682360 reads, out of which 34524459 reads are uniquely mapped. For the Y234C mutant, the IP has a total of 94601872 reads, with 71491403 reads being uniquely mapped. The Input has a total of 42069912 reads, out of which 32696372 reads are uniquely mapped. Paired-end sequencing was used in all experiments, and most of the read lengths are 76bp.

Antibodies

Anti-V5 tag antibody was purchased from the Cell Signaling Technology (cat #13202S, lot #4).

Peak calling parameters

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macs2 callpeak -t cell_1_IP_sorted.bam -c cell_1_Input_sorted.bam -B -g hs -s 300 --call-summits -q 0.05 -n cell_1 -f BAMPE
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Data quality

In the peak calling step for R273C, a total of 7 peaks were identified with an FDR of less than 0.05 and a fold-enrichment greater than 5. In the peak calling step for R273H, a total of 8581 peaks were identified with an FDR of less than 0.05 and a fold-enrichment greater than 5. In the peak calling step for WT-OE, a total of 41 peaks were identified with an FDR of less than 0.05 and a fold-enrichment greater than 5. In the peak calling step for Y220C, a total of 33 peaks were identified with an FDR of less than 0.05 and a fold-enrichment greater than 5. In the peak calling step for Y234C, a total of 83 peaks were identified with an FDR of less than 0.05 and a fold-enrichment greater than 5.

Software

Quality of the reads were analyzed using FastQC (v0.10.1). Paired-ended reads were mapped to the reference human genome (GRCh38.p92/hg38) end to end using Bowtie2 (v2.1.0). Non-primary alignment, unmapped reads were removed by Samtools (v1.7). Duplication rates were calculated by PICARD (v2.18.3) (duplication rate ranges from 18% to 88%). MACS2 (v2.1.2.20181017) was used for peak calling using BAMPE mode with the q-value cutoff of 0.05 by using the input genomic DNA sequencing data as the background. Peaks were annotated using Homer toolkit (Homer v4.9.1) 9, which was also been utilized for motif finding. Regions located between -100 and 2,500 bp upstream of the nearest transcription start sites (TSS) were defined as the promoter region. Known and de novo motifs were called by Homer toolkit. De novo motifs comparison was done by Tomtom in MEME Suite (v5.0.1). More details can be found in the Supplemental Methods.