Supplemental material



Supplemental Figure 1. NAC, VitC, and Trolox increase BACH1 gene and protein levels in human lung cancer cell spheroids and mouse tumor-derived organoids. (A) Bright-field images showing morphology of A549 cells cultured in 2D (i) and 3D spheroids (ii-vi). Scale bar, 100 μ m. (B) Bright-field images showing morphology of H838 cells cultured in 2D (i) and 3D spheroids (ii). (C) Image showing the typical morphology of a mouse lung tumor organoid. (D) BACH1 protein levels in A549 spheroids incubated with NAC (left) and Trolox (right) for 7 days (n = 3-4 experiments). (E) BACH1 protein levels in mouse lung tumor organoids incubated 7 days with VitC,

NAC, and Trolox (n = 4 experiments) for NAC and VitC; BACH1/ACTIN ratio of the experiment with Trolox is indicated. (**F**) BACH1 protein levels in A549 xenograft tumors isolated from mice following administration of 1 g/l NAC and 3.47 g/l VitC in the drinking water for 7 weeks (n = 3 mice/3 experiments). (**G**) BACH1 protein levels in H838 spheroids incubated with 25 μ M VitC, 1 mM NAC, and 100 μ M Trolox for 7 days. The BACH1/ACTIN ratio is indicated. (**H**) RT-qPCR of *BACH1* in A549 and H838 spheroids, and mouse lung tumor organoids incubated 7 days with 1 mM NAC and 100 μ M Trolox, and A549 xenograft tumors from mice administrated NAC (1 g/l) in the drinking water for 7 weeks (n = 3 experiments). (**I**) H₂O₂ and GSH/GSSG levels in A549 cells incubated 7 days with 1 mM NAC and 25 μ M VitC (n = 2-3 experiments). Scale bars, 100 μ m. Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: Two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test (panel H, I) and one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test for multiple comparisons (panel D, E, F).



Supplemental Figure 2. BACH1 controls expression of angiogenesis genes in lung tumor organoids and spheroids under normoxic conditions. (A) RT-qPCR

of angiogenesis genes in A549 spheroids incubated 7 days with 1 mM NAC (left) and 100 µM Trolox (right) (n = 3 experiments). (**B and C**) RT-gPCR of angiogenesis genes in H838 spheroids (B) and lung tumor organoids (C) incubated with 25 µM VitC, 1 mM NAC, and 100 μ M Trolox (n = 2 experiments). (**D**) RT-qPCR of angiogenesis genes in A549 xenograft tumors isolated from mice administered 3.47 g/l VitC or 1 g/l NAC in the drinking water for 7 weeks (n = 3 experiments). (E) Left, VEGFR2 protein levels in spheroids incubated with 1 mM NAC (n = 4 experiments). Right, VEGFR2 protein levels in spheroids incubated with 100 µM Trolox. (F) Left, VEGFR2 protein levels in xenograft tumors isolated from mice administered 3.47 g/l VitC in the drinking water for 7 weeks. Right, VEGFR2 levels by densitometry (n = 3 mice/3 experiments). (**G**) Top, VEGFR2 protein levels in mouse lung tumor organoids incubated with 25 µM VitC, 1 mM NAC, and 50 and 100 µM Trolox. Bottom, BACH1 levels by densitometry in three VitC and NAC experiments; for Trolox VEGFR2/ACTIN ratio is indicated. (H) VEGFR2 protein levels in H838 spheroids incubated with antioxidants for 7 days. (I) NRP2 protein levels in spheroids incubated with 25 µM VitC, 1 mM NAC, and 100 µM Trolox (n = 3 experiments). (J) NRP2 protein levels in xenograft tumors isolated from mice administered 1 g/l NAC in the drinking water for 7 weeks (n = 4 mice; 3 experiments). (K) Left top, RT-qPCR of BACH1 in BACH1^{OE} and control cells with normal BACH1 expression (BACH1^{WT}). Bottom, BACH1 protein levels. Right top, RTqPCR of BACH1 in BACH1^{+/+} and BACH1^{-/-} spheroids. Bottom, BACH1 protein levels. (L) NRP2 protein levels in BACH1^{WT} and BACH1^{OE} (left) and BACH1^{+/+} and BACH1⁻ ^{/-} (right) spheroids. Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: Two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test (panel A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I, J, K).



Supplemental Figure 3. BACH1 controls expression of a broad range of glycolysis genes in spheroids, organoids, and xenografts. (A–C) RT-qPCR analyses of glycolysis-related genes in A549 spheroids (A), H838 spheroids (B), and mouse lung tumor organoids. (C) incubated 7 days with 25 μ M VitC (left), 1 mM NAC (middle), and 100 μ M Trolox (right) (n = 2-3 experiments). (D) RT-qPCR of glycolysis-related genes in A549 xenograft tumors isolated from mice administered 3.47 g/I VitC or 1 g/I NAC in the drinking water for 7 weeks (n = 3 experiments). (E and F) RT-qPCR

of glycolysis-related genes in spheroids generated from $BACH1^{WT}$ and $BACH1^{OE}$ A549 cells (E) (n = 2 experiments); and from $BACH1^{+/+}$ and $BACH1^{-/-}$ A549 cells (F) (n = 4 experiments). Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: Two-tailed unpaired Student's *t* test (panel A, B, C, D, F). * P < 0.05; ** P < 0.01; *** P < 0.005; **** P < 0.001.



Supplemental Figure 4. BACH1 controls basal and antioxidant-induced expression of angiogenesis and glycolysis genes in lung cancer cell spheroids

and xenograft tumors. (A–D) RT-qPCR analyses of angiogenesis-related genes in *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids incubated with 1 mM NAC (A) and 100 μ M Trolox (B); and *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 xenograft tumors isolated from mice following administration of 3.47 g/l VitC (C) and 1 g/l NAC (D) for 7 weeks (n = 2-3 experiments). (**E–I**) RT-qPCR analyses of glycolysis-related genes in *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids incubated with 25 μ M VitC (E), 1 mM NAC (F), and 100 μ M Trolox (G) for 7 days; and *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 xenograft tumors isolated from mice following administration of 3.47 g/l VitC (H) and 1 g/l NAC (I) for 7 weeks (n = 2-3 experiments). Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: One-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test for multiple comparisons (panel B, C, D, E, H, I). * P < 0.05; *** P < 0.01; *** P < 0.005; **** P < 0.001.

Supplemental Figure 5. BACH1-mediated expression of angiogenesis and glycolysis genes correlates with BACH1-dependent epigenetic changes at promoter regions. (A) Western blot analysis showing basal protein amounts of BACH1 and H3K27ac in *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids. (B and C) Integrative Genomics Viewer (IGV) tracks showing H3K27ac levels at the indicated angiogenesis (B, 9 panels) and glycolysis (C, 5 panels) gene loci in *BACH1^{+/+}* and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids. BACH1^{+/+} and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids. BACH1^{+/+} and *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 spheroids. BACH1^{+/+} and BACH1^{-/-} A549 spheroids. BACH1^{-/-} A549 spher

^{/-} compared with *BACH1*^{+/+} A549 spheroids are highlighted in blue; the percent change is indicated with red numbers.

Supplemental Figure 6. The antioxidants VitC, NAC, and Trolox increase HIF1a but not HIF2a expression under normoxia in A549 and H838 spheroids and in organoids from mouse KRAS-induced lung tumors. (A) Western blots showing levels of HIF1a (top) and HIF2a (bottom) expression in A549 spheroid incubated with NAC (left) and Trolox (right) for 7 days. Middle, amounts of HIF1a determined by densitometry of protein bands (n = 2-3 experiments); HIF2a/ACTIN densitometry ratios are indicated. (B and C) Western blots showing levels of HIF1a (top) and HIF2a (bottom) in H838 spheroids (B) and mouse lung tumor organoids (C) incubated with VitC (left), NAC (middle), and Trolox (right) for 7 days. HIF1a/ACTIN and HIF2a/ACTIN densitometry ratios are indicated. ACTIN was the loading control. Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: One-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test for multiple comparisons (panel A).

Supplemental Figure 7. BACH1 expression under both normoxia and hypoxia is **HIF1α dependent.** (**A**) RT-qPCR (top) and western blot (bottom) showing BACH1 gene and protein expression in H838 spheroids incubated for 7 days under normoxia $(21\% O_2)$ and hypoxia $(1\% O_2)$ (n = 2 experiments). (B) Control experiment documenting increased HIF1α expression by RT-qPCR (left) and western blot (right, top) in *HIF1A^{WT}* and *HIF1A^{OE}* A549 spheroids. Bottom right, amounts of HIF1α determined by densitometry of protein bands (n = 3 experiments). (C) Analyses of HIF2A^{WT} and HIF2A^{OE} A549 spheroids in similar experiments as in panel B. (**D and E**) Left, western blot showing BACH1 expression in *HIF1A^{-/-}* and control *HIF1A^{+/+}* A549 spheroids incubated for 7 days with 25 mM VitC (D), 100 µM Trolox (E), and control medium (D and E) under normoxia (21% O₂) and hypoxia (1% O₂). Right, amounts of BACH1 determined by densitometry of protein bands (n = 2-3 experiments). (F) Western blot documenting restored HIF1a expression in *HIF1A^{-/-}* A549 spheroids upon lentiviral transduction with a cDNA encoding human HIF1a (*HIF1A*^{L-OE}); control cells were transduced with EGFP (*HIF1A*^{L-CTR}). (**G**) Left, western blot showing BACH1 expression in HIF1A-/-HIF1AL-OE and control HIF1A-/-HIF1AL-CTR A549 spheroids incubated with 1 mM NAC or control medium for 7 days. Right, amounts of BACH1 determined by densitometry of protein bands (n = 3 experiments). ACTIN was the loading control in western blots. ns, not significant. Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: Two-tailed unpaired Student's t test (panel A, B, C) and one-way ANOVA with Tukey's post-hoc test for multiple comparisons (panel D).

Supplemental Figure 8. BACH1 expression under both normoxia and hypoxia is HIF1 α dependent. Related to Figure 3. (A) Genome-wide heatmap of HIF1 α chromatin enrichment under normoxia (21% O₂) and hypoxia (1% O₂) for 7 days in A549 spheroids. (B) Transcription factor DNA-binding motif analysis of HIF1 α CUT&Tag peaks. (C–F) IGV genome browser tracks showing HIF1 α occupancy and levels at the indicated glycolysis-related gene loci (C–E) and at the BACH1 locus (F) in A549 spheroids cultured under normoxia (21% O₂) and hypoxia (1% O₂) for 7 days. H3K27ac and BACH1 tracks are shown at the top to indicate the genome environment. Previously published HIF1 α ChIP-seq data are indicated at the bottom to compare with the CUT&Tag data. Regions with significant changes in HIF1 α occupancy in response to hypoxia are highlighted in blue; the percent change is indicated with black numbers.

Supplemental Figure 9. BACH1 expression correlates with angiogenesis gene expression in human breast and kidney cancer samples and increases the response to anti-VEGF therapy in xenografts. (A) Heat maps showing TCGA breast cancer cases with low (left) and high (right) *BACH1* expression. Angiogenic genes whose expression differed significantly between the two groups are listed on the right along with p value for the correlation with *BACH1* expression. (B) TCGA kidney cancer cases analyzed as in panel A. (C) Tumor volume (percent of Ctrl) at endpoint from the experiment shown in Figure 7A and 7B. (D) Tumor vascularity (peak enhancement) in *NSG* mice injected s.c. with 5×10^5 *BACH1^{+/+}* or *BACH1^{-/-}* A549 cells and administrated with 0.5 g/kg VitE in the chow (n = 7 and 10 for +/+ and -/-, respectively)

or received control food (n = 8 and 9, respectively) for 7 weeks. (**E**) Same experiment as in Figure 7D and 7E, but with the time from tumor cell injection to the end of the experiment shown on the x-axis (Figure 7D and 7E shows time from start of DC101 injections): note that *BACH1^{-/-}* cells produced palpable tumors prompting injection with anti-VEGFR2 antibodies (DC101) three days after the *BACH1*^{OE} cells; moreover, the mice carrying *BACH1^{-/-}* tumors reached the humane endpoint for euthanasia three days after mice with *BACH1*^{OE} tumors. (**F–H**) Tumor growth in *NSG* mice injected s.c. with 5 × 10⁵ *BACH1^{-/-} BACH1*^{OE} (F and H) A549 cells. When tumors were palpable, the mice were injected i.p. with PBS (n = 5) and 40 mg/kg DC101 (n = 6) three times a week for five weeks. Tumors were measured three to five times per week. (**G**) Curves from panels Supplementary 9F and Figure 4H shown in the same graph. Data are mean and SEM. Statistics: Two-way ANOVA with Sidak's post-hoc test for multiple comparisons (panel G). Panel H (upper image) was previously shown in Figure 7C (lower image).

Gene	Function	Effect
GLUT1		
GLUT3		
PFKP		
PFKFB2		
PFKFB3	Glycolysis	Activation
РКМ		
PGK1		
PDK1		
LDHA		
GAPDH		
HK2		
VEGFA		
VEGFC		
VEGFD		
VEGFR1		
VEGFR2		
VEGFR3		
NRP2		
FGF2		
FGF9	Angiogenesis	Activation
FGFR1		
FGFR2		
FGFR3		
FGFR4		
ANGPT2		
ANGPTL1		
ANGPTL4		
EGF		
EGFL7		
EFNA5		

Supplemental Table 1. Direct BACH1 target genes in human lung tumor cells

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Characteristics		KRAS mutation
		(n=20)
	Mala	44(70.00()
Sex, n(%)		14(70.0%)
	Female	6(30.0%)
Age, median (min, max), year		64.5(54-79)
Tumor location, n(%)	Upper lobe of left lung	3(15.0%)
	Lower lobe of left lung	8(40.0%)
	Upper lobe of left lung	4(20.0%)
	Middle lobe of left lung	2(10.0%)
	Lower lobe of left lung	3(15.0%)
Differentiation, n(%)	Well	2(10.0%)
	Moderate	6(30.0%)
	Poor	12(60.0%)
T stage, n(%)	T1	7(35.0%)
	T2	11(55.0%)
	Т3	1(5.0%)
	Τ4	1(5.0%)
N stage, n(%)	N0	11(55.0%)
	N1	3(15.0%)
	N2	6(30.0%)
M stage, n(%)	MO	16(80.0%)
	M1	4(20.0%)
cTNM stage*, n(%)		8(40.0%)
	II	1(5.0%)
	III	7(35.0%)
	IV	4(20.0%)

Supplemental Table 2. Characteristics of the analyzed patients with KRAS mutation

* 8th AJCC staging.

Categorical variables were expressed as frequencies (n) and proportions (%). Continuous variables were expressed as frequencies (n) and proportions (%).

Supplemental Table 2. Characteristics of patients and tumors.