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### Supplementary Materials for

#### Arresting the bad seed: HDAC3 regulates proliferation of different microglia after ischemic stroke

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fig. S1. Construction of HDAC3-miKO transgenic mice and ischemic stroke model.

(A) Generation of tamoxifen-induced, microglia/macrophage-specific HDAC3 knockout (HDAC3-miKO) mice by crossing the CX3CR1<sup>CreER</sup> mice with HDAC3<sup>flox/flox</sup> mice. (B) PCR genotyping of CX3CR1-Cre and HDAC3-Flox. (C) Representative immunofluorescence images taken from the peri-infarct region of striatum (STR) 3 days after tFCI showing HDAC3 colocalized with NeuN, APC, and GFAP signals, respectively. (D) Quantification of HDAC3 expression in neuron, oligodendrocytes, and astrocytes. n = 5-6 per group. (E) tFCI was induced by MCAO for 60 min in HDAC3-miKO mice and WT control mice. Laser speckle images monitored cortical cerebral blood flow (rCBF) before surgery (Baseline), 10 min after ischemia (Ischemia), and 10 min after reperfusion (Reperfusion). (F) rCBF was monitored with laser Doppler. n = 20-23 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test (D) or Mann Whitney test (F), ns: no significance, as indicated.



fig. S2. HDAC3-miKO attenuates histological damage and long-term behavioral deficits after stroke in males.

(A) Representative axial views (from rostral to caudal) of T2-weighted images (T2WI) 14 d after stroke. (B) Quantification of brain lesion volume at five axial levels from rostral to caudal (left panel) and total brain lesion volume (right panel). n = 5-6 per group. (C) Representative swimming paths during the learning and memory phases of the Morris water maze test. (D) Spatial learning was assessed by the escape latency (Pre, 29-33 d after tFCI). (E) All mice had similar swim speeds (34d after tFCI), reflecting comparable locomotor functions. n = 13-17 per group. All data are presented as the mean±SEM. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc tests (E), GEE followed by Tukey's post hoc for repeated measures (B left panel, D) or unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test (B, right panel). \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001. ns: no significance, as indicated.



fig. S3. HDAC3-miKO attenuates histological damage and long-term behavioral deficits after stroke in females.

(A) Representative images of NeuN staining for sections. (B) Quantification of the atrophy volume and the area from bregma 1.1 mm-1.7 mm. n = 11 for WT-tFCI, n = 8 for miKO-tFCI. (C) Sensorimotor deficits were evaluated before (Pre) and up to 35 d after tFCI or Sham by the Garcia score, adhesive touch, adhesive removal test and rotarod test. n = 5-7 for WT-Sham and miKO-Sham, n = 9-12 for WT-tFCI and miKO-tFCI. (D) Representative swimming paths during the learning or memory phases of the Morris water maze test. (E) Spatial learning was assessed by the escape latency (pre, 29-33 d after tFCI) (left panel) and the memory was measured by the time spent in the target quadrant (34 d after tFCI) after removal of the platform (middle panel). All mice had similar swim speeds (34 d after tFCI), reflecting comparable locomotor functions (right panel). n =7 for WT-/miKO-Sham, n = 10-12 for tFCI. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc tests (E right panels), GEE followed by Tukey's post hoc (B right panel, C, and E left panel), Kruskal-Wallis test followed by Dunn's multiple comparisons test (**E** right two panels) or unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test (**B** left panel). \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001, ns: no significance, as indicated.



fig. S4. HDAC3-miKO has no effect on white matter injury at the acute stage of stroke.

(A) Representative image of MBP/SMI32 immunostaining in the ipsilateral hemisphere 3 d after tFCI. Boxes indicates where images in (B) were taken from. (B) Group-wise representative images of MBP/SMI32 immunostaining in the peri-infarct region of STR, EC and CTX. (C) The fluorescence intensity of MBP and the ratio of SMI32 to MBP immunofluorescence intensity in the STR, EC, and CTX on day 3 after tFCI. Data are normalized to the intensities of contralateral hemispheres. n = 4 for WT-Sham and miKO-Sham, n = 8 for WT-tFCI, n = 7 for miKO-tFCI. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc tests or Kruskal-Wallis test followed by Dunn's multiple comparisons test. ns: no significance, as indicated.



fig. S5. Effects of HDAC3-miKO on microglial gene expression under physiological conditions and in response to ischemic stroke.

(A) Volcano plot depicting DEGs in miKO-Sham *vs*. WT-Sham and (B) in miKO-tFCI *vs*. miKO-Sham (log2fold change > 0.58 or < -0.58, adjusted p value <0.05). (C) Upset diagram visualizing

overlap among all gene sets (upregulated and downregulated genes in WT-Sham, miKO-Sham, WT-tFCI and miKO-tFCI, respectively). The set size represented the total number of significant genes per gene set. The intersection size showed the number of overlapping genes in each of the respective gene set combinations, as shown by the filled dots underneath. Two venn diagrams highlighted overlaps of up-/down-regulated genes generated by miKO-tFCI *vs.* miKO-Sham and WT-tFCI *vs.* WT-Sham. (**D**) Enrichment map visualizing enriched Reactome Pathways obtained from GSEA (miKO-Sham *vs.* WT-Sham). Mutually overlapping terms clustered together. (**E**) GSEA showed significantly downregulated Reactome pathways for "Mitotic Prometaphase" (miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI). (**F**) The remaining 6 terms from the overlap of the venn plot related to Fig. 4G. (**G-H**) Venn diagrams showed the overlap (**G**) between upregulated genes in WT-tFCI (532 in total), and the overlap (**H**) between downregulated genes in miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-Sham (1,307 in total) and upregulated genes in miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI (778 in total). (**I**) Enrichment map visualizing enriched Reactome Pathways obtained from GSEA of 111 overlapping DEGs in (**G**). Notably, the overlapping genes in (**H**) were not enriched for any Reactome terms.



## fig. S6. Evaluation of brain lesion volume and microglial proliferation following 90 min tFCI in HDAC3-miKO mice.

(A) Representative axial views (3 sections from rostral to caudal) of T2-weighted images (T2WI) at day 3 after stroke and the corresponding (B) Quantification of the total lesion volume. n = 5-6 per group. (C) Representative images of Iba1/EdU double immunostaining. White arrows indicate Iba1<sup>+</sup>EdU<sup>+</sup> cells. (D-E) Quantification of Iba1<sup>+</sup> number and the proportion of EdU<sup>+</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup> cells. n = 5-6 per group. All data are presented as the mean ± SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired with two-tailed Student's t-test (B) or one-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc tests (D-E). \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001, ns: no significance, as indicated.





(A-B) Representative images showing Iba1 immunosignal co-labeled with TUNEL (white arrows). Boxes indicate where the group-wise images were taken in the peri-infarct region of STR 3 d after tFCI (B). (C-D) Quantification of the percentage of Iba1<sup>+</sup>Tunel<sup>+</sup> out of the total Iba1<sup>+</sup> cells (C) and the numbers of Iba1<sup>+</sup>TUNEL<sup>+</sup> cells (D) in the peri-infarct region of STR 3 d after tFCI. n = 5-6 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test. \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001, as indicated.



fig. S8. HDAC3-miKO inhibits the proliferation of pro-inflammatory microglia after tFCI.

(A-B) Representative images of Iba1/EdU/CD16 immunofluorescence (A) and Iba1/EdU/Arg1 (B) in the STR of the Sham groups. Microglia indicated by the yellow boxes were performed 3D reconstruction. EdU and CD16 signals were not detected in Iba1<sup>+</sup> cells in both Sham groups. (C-D) Quantification of MFI of EdU (C) and CD16 (D) per microglia. (E-F) Quantification of the MFI of EdU (E) and Arg1 (F) per microglia. Each black filled dot in (C-F) represented an individual Iba1<sup>+</sup> cell, and each hollow circle represented an individual animal. n = 5-6 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test (C-F) \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001, ns: no significance, as indicated.



fig. S9. HDAC-miKO did not inhibit proliferation of CD206<sup>+</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup> cells after tFCI.

(A) Representative images of Iba1/EdU/CD206 immunofluorescence in the peri-infarct region of STR or in the contralateral STR 3 d after tFCI. (B) Scatter plot showing MFI of EdU and CD206 per microglia. (C-D) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia (Edu<sup>+</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup>, C) and CD206<sup>+</sup> microglia (CD206<sup>+</sup>EdU<sup>+</sup>/CD206<sup>+</sup>, D). (E) Quantification of the percentage CD206<sup>+</sup> microglia. (F-G) Quantification of the MFI of EdU (E) and CD206 (F) per microglia. Each black filled dot represented an individual Iba1<sup>+</sup> cell, and each hollow circle represented an individual animal. (H) Quantification of the percentage of microglia with CD206<sup>-</sup>EdU<sup>-</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup>, CD206<sup>-</sup>EdU<sup>-</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup>, CD206<sup>+</sup>EdU<sup>+</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup>. n = 6 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired with two-tailed Student's t-test (C-G), or two-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc tests (H). \*\**p*< 0.01, \*\*\**p*< 0.01, as indicated.





(A) Representative images of P2RY12/EdU/CD16 immunofluorescence in the peri-infarct region of STR 3 d after tFCI. (B) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia (EdU<sup>+</sup>P2RY12<sup>+</sup>), in P2RY12/EdU/CD16 staining. (C) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating CD16<sup>+</sup>P2RY12<sup>+</sup> microglia out of total CD16<sup>+</sup> cells. (D) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia (EdU<sup>+</sup>P2RY12<sup>+</sup>), corresponding to P2RY12/EdU/CD206 staining. (E) Representative images of P2RY12/EdU/CD206 immunofluorescence in the peri-

infarct region of STR 3 days after tFCI. (**F**) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia CD206<sup>+</sup>P2RY12<sup>+</sup> microglia out of total CD206<sup>+</sup> cells. n = 6 per group. (**G**) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia (EdU<sup>+</sup>P2RY12<sup>+</sup>), corresponding to P2RY12/EdU/Arg1 staining. (**H**) Representative images of P2RY12/EdU/Arg1 immunofluorescence in the peri-infarct region of STR 3 days after tFCI. (**I**) Quantification of the percentage of proliferating microglia  $CD206^+$  cells. n = 6 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired with two-tailed Student's t-test (**B**, **C**, **F**, **H**, **I**) or Mann Whitney test (**E**). \**p*< 0.05, \*\**p*< 0.01, \*\*\**p*< 0.001, as indicated.





(A) Representative images of Iba1/EdU immunostaining in the peri-infarct region of STR at day 1 after tFCI. Of note, EdU<sup>+</sup>Iba1<sup>+</sup> signals were rarely observed so that the corresponding quantification was not shown. (B) Representative images of Iba1/CD16 immunostaining in the peri-infarct region of STR at day 1 after tFCI. (C) Representative images of Iba1/Arg1 immunostaining in the peri-infarct region of STR at day 1 after tFCI. (D) Quantification of CD16<sup>+</sup>, Arg1<sup>+</sup> in STR 1 day after



tFCI. n = 5/group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using unpaired two-tailed Student's t-test. \**p*<0.05, ns: no significance, as indicated.

fig. S12. Integrative analysis of ATAC-seq and RNA-seq, related to Figure 7.

(A) ATAC-seq peaks correlation heatmap of all replicates. (B) Volcano plots showing microgliaspecific differential accessibility regions (DARs; log2fold change > 0.5 or < -0.5, FDR < 0.01) in miKO-tFCI *vs.* miKO-Sham. (C) Pie chart showing genomic distribution of ATAC-seq peaks that were significantly up-/down-regulated in WT-tFCI *vs.* WT-Sham. (**D**) Pie chart showing genomic distribution of ATAC-seq peaks that were significantly downregulated in miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI. Of note, only 13 upregulated signals were detected so that the distribution of these signals was not shown. (**E**) Pie chart showing genomic distribution of ATAC-seq peaks that were significantly up-/down-regulated in miKO-tFCI *vs.* miKO-Sham. (**F**) Enrichment map visualizing enriched pathways obtained from GSEA of DARs at promoters (< 3 Kb to TSS) generated from miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI. (**G**) Overlap between upregulated genes in RNA-seq and open DARs annotated to promoters in ATAC-seq (left panel). Overlap between downregulated genes in RNA-seq and closed DARs annotated to promoters in ATAC-seq (right panel) in miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI. (**H**) Scatter plot showing the correlation of log2fold change of DEGs ( $|log_2fold change| > 0.58$  & adjusted *p* value < 0.05) from RNA-seq and log2fold change of their corresponding promoter-located DARs ( $|log_2fold change > 0.5$  & adjusted *p* value < 0.01) from ATAC-seq in miKO-tFCI *vs.* WT-tFCI. The transparency of each dot represents the product of RNA-seq log\_fold change and ATAC-seq log\_fold change.



fig. S13. AAV-PU.1 did not affect CD206<sup>+</sup> microglial proliferation.

Representative images of Iba1/EdU/CD206 staining in the peri-infarct region of STR 3 days after tFCI. (**B-C**) Quantification of the percentage of different microglia, including proliferative CD206<sup>+</sup> (CD206<sup>+</sup>EdU<sup>+</sup>/CD206<sup>+</sup>), and CD206<sup>+</sup> microglia, respectively. n=5-6 per group. All data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SEM. Data were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Bonferroni's post hoc (**B**, **C**). ns: no significance, as indicated.

#### **Supplementary Methods and Materials**

#### **Behavioral tests**

*Garcia score*: We used an 18-point score adapted from the one developed for stroke by Garcia et al (79) as presented in Table S1.

Test(score)	3	2	1	0
Spontaneous	3-4 walls, 1-2	1-2 walls	Minimal	Akinesia
activity	walls plus raise on hindlimbs		movement	
Side	Bilateral brisk	Bilateral weak or	Unilateral	No response
stroking		ipsilateral strong and contralateral weak		
Limb	Forelimb and	Mid flexion of	Contralateral	Contralaterally
symmetry	hindlimb extended	forelimb	forelimb flexed with hindlimb extended	flexed
Lateral	Bilateral	Bilateral turning	Unilateral	No turning
turning	turning >45°	<45°	turning	
Forelimb	Bilateral	Bilateral turning	Unilateral	No turning
walking	turning >45°	<45°	turning	
Forelimb	Brisk forward	Moves toward on	Movement	Hemiplegi
walking				

Table S1. Garcia score.

*Rotarod test:* The Rotarod test is used to evaluate the motor coordination ability and exercise tolerance of mice. The Rotarod test was performed with the Rotarod apparatus (Model 47650, Ugo Basile Srl, Varese, Italy). The mice were forced to run on a rotating drum with speeds starting at 5 rpm, accelerating to 40 rpm within 300 s. The latency to fall off the rotating rod was recorded. Data were expressed as the mean value from three trials. Mice were pre-trained 1d-3d before tFCI and data measured 1d before tFCI were recorded as preoperative data (pre). Repeat testing was performed 1d,3d, 5d, 7d, 14d, 21d, 28d, and 35d after tFCI.

*Adhesive removal test:* The adhesive removal test was assessed for forepaw sensitivity and motor impairments. The adhesive removal test was carried out with  $3 \times 4$  mm tape. Adhesive tapes

were applied to the mouse ipsilateral or contralateral forepaw to evaluate the mice's sensory and motor function after tFCI. The time for the mouse to touch and remove the tape was measured up to 120 s. Data were presented as the mean value of three trials. Data measured 1d before tFCI were recorded as the preoperative data (pre). Repeat testing on the adhesive removal test was performed 1d, 3d, 5d, 7d, 14d, 21d, 28d, and 35d after tFCI.

*Morris water maze*: Memory impairment is often associated with ischemic stroke patients. Morris water maze (MWM) is used to evaluate the spatial learning and memory ability of mice(70). We performed MWM between 29-34 days after tFCI. During the learning phase, mice were trained on four trials (at four fixed locations) per day between 29d-33d after tFCI. In each trial, the time to reach the platform (within 60 seconds) was recorded. If the mice did not find the platform within 60 seconds, the experimenter would guide the mice to the platform and record the time as 60 seconds. At the end of a trial, the mouse was allowed to stay on the platform for 20 seconds to remember the spatial location of the platform. The memory test was performed 34 days after tFCI. The platform was removed, and a 60 s probe test was performed on each mouse. Swimming speed and time in the target quadrant were also recorded.

Antibody	Category	Dilution	Company
Iba1	019-19741	1:1000	Wako
Iba1	ab5076	1:1000	Abcam
CD206	AF2535	1:200	R&D Systems
CD16	553142	1:200	BD
HDAC3	ab32369	1:300	Abcam
NeuN	ab177487	1:1000	Abcam
Ki67	ab15580	1:500	Abcam
Alexa Fluor® 488 Anti-NeuN	ab190195	1:1000	Abcam
TUNEL	C1089	1:10	Beyotime
MBP	ab40390	1:1000	Abcam
SMI32	801701	1:1000	BioLegend
pH3	06-570	1:500	Millopore
Rat-anti-CC1 antibody	OB-PRT039	1:300	Oasisbiofarm
GFAP	PA5-18598	1:1000	Thermo
PU.1	2258	1:500	CST
P2RY12	69766	1:500	CST
mCherry	M11217	1:1000	Thermo
Argl	SC-271430	1:50	Santa Cruz
Alexa Fluor® 488 AffiniPure	711 545 152	1.1000	Jackson
Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L)	/11-5+5-152	1.1000	
Alexa Fluor® 488 AffiniPure Goat	112-545-003	1:1000	Jackson
Anti-Rat IgG (H+L)	112-343-003		
Alexa Fluor® 488 AffiniPure	705 545 147	1:1000	Jackson
Donkey Anti-Goat IgG (H+L)	/05-545-14/		
Cy <sup>TM</sup> 3 AffiniPure Donkey Anti-	711-165-152	1.1000	Jackson
Rabbit IgG (H+L)	/11-105-152	1.1000	Jackson
Cy <sup>TM</sup> 3 AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Rat	712-165-153	1:1000	Jackson
IgG (H+L)	/12 103 133		
Cy <sup>TM</sup> 3 AffiniPure Goat Anti-Mouse	115 165 146	1:1000	Jackson
IgG (H+L)	115-105-140		
Alexa Fluor® 647 AffiniPure	711-605-152	1:1000	Jackson
Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L)	, 11 000 102		
Alexa Fluor® 647 AffiniPure	712-605-153	1:1000	Jackson
Donkey Anti-Rat IgG (H+L)	,12 000 100		
Alexa Fluor® 647 AffiniPure	705-605-147	1:1000	Jackson
Donkey Anti-Goat IgG (H+L)	/00-000-14/		

Table S2. Antibodies for immunofluorescence.

Gene	Primer sequences		
Candh	Forward: GTGAAGGTCGGTGTGAACGG;		
Gapan	Reverse: GTTTCCCGTTGATGACCAG		
Traf a	Forward: GACCCTCACACTCAGATCATCTTCT;		
1ηj-α	Reverse: CCTCCACTTGGTGGTTTGCT		
Crel 10	Forward: CCAAGTGCTGCCGTCATTTTC;		
CACI-IU	Reverse: GGCTCGCAGGGATGATTTCAA		
11 <b>-</b> 1 <i>R</i>	Forward: CTCCATGAGCTTTGTACAAGG;		
n $n$	Reverse: TGCTGATGTACCAGTTGGGG		
<i>II-1</i> α	Forward: CGAAGACTACAGTTCTGCCATT;		
n nu	Reverse: GACGTTTCAGAGGTTCTCAGAG		
NFKhih	Forward: GCGGATGCCGATGAATGGT;		
111 11010	Reverse: TGACGTAGCCAAAGACTAAGGG		
Kntc1	Forward: TATTGAGCTGCTAACAAGCGATG;		
11///01	Reverse: ACTGACTGGTCTGCAACGATTA		
Ccl-22	Forward: CTGATGCAGGTCCCTATGGT;		
	Reverse: GCAGGATTTTGAGGTCCAGA		
Argl	Forward: TCACCTGAGCTTTGATGTCG;		
	Reverse: CTGAAAGGAGCCCTGTCTTG		
Ccl7	Forward: GCTGCTTTCAGCATCCAAGTG;		
	Reverse: CCAGGGACACCGACTACTG		
Iteax	Forward: CTGGATAGCCTTTCTTCTGCTG;		
8	Reverse: GCACACTGTGTCCGAACTCA		
Mmp12	Forward: CATGAAGCGTGAGGATGTAGAC;		
	Reverse: TGGGCTAGTGTACCACCTTTG		
Cdca8	Forward: AAAAGCGAAAGGTAATCGAGGT;		
	Reverse: TGCAGATCGAAGATTCTTATGGC		
Ki67	Forward: ATCATTGACCGCTCCTTTAGGT;		
	Reverse: GCTCGCCTTGATGGTTCCT		
Birc5	Forward: GAGGCTGGCTTCATCCACTG;		
2	Reverse: ATGCTCCTCTATCGGGTTGTC		
PU.1	Forward: TACTGGGATTTCTCCGCACAC;		
	Reverse: GTGGCGATAGAGCTGCTGTAG		
Pcna	Forward: TTGCACGTATATGCCGAGACC;		
	Reverse: GGTGAACAGGCTCATTCATCTCT		
Cdk2	Forward: CTCTCACGGGCATTCCTCTTC;		
	Reverse: CCCTCTGCATTGATAAGCAGG		
CyclinE1	Forward: GAAAAGCGAGGATAGCAGTCAG;		

 Table S3. Primer sequences for qRT-PCR.

	Reverse: CCCAATTCAAGACGGGAAGTG
Cdk1	Forward: AGAAGGTACTTACGGTGTGGT;
	Reverse: GAGAGATTTCCCGAATTGCAGT
	Forward: TCTATCCGTCGCCATTTAAGGA;
Sgol	Reverse: GCAGGGTTACGGTTACTTCTC

Antibody	Category	Dilution	Company
DyeCycle dye	R37172	1: 100	Thermo
anti-CD45-eFluor450	48-0451-82	1: 100	Thermo
anti-CD11b-(APC)-cy7	47-0112-82	1: 100	Thermo
anti-F4/80-BUV395	565614	1: 100	BD
anti-O4-APC	130-119-155	1: 100	Miltenyi
anti-β-tubulin-Percp-cy5.5	801215	1: 100	BioLegend
CD11c-PerCP cy5.5	45-0114-82	1: 100	Thermo
Ly6G(Gr1)-PE	12-9669-82	1: 100	Thermo

Table S4. Antibodies for flow cytometry.

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Appendix Data S1: Data of Statistical information.

Appendix Data S2: The Top 100 downregulated genes in Fig. 4H.

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