

Supplemental Figure 4. Enhanced transcriptional signatures of angiogenesis and tumor vascularity in MPNST. (A) Volcano plot illustrating the top differentially expressed genes in Cluster 3 (n=11) versus Cluster 1 (n=14) lesions. The x-axis represents the log₂ fold change in gene expression, whereas the y-axis represents the log₁₀ Benjamini Hochberg adjusted p-value. An adjusted p-value of 0.05 was set as the false discovery threshold as denoted by the dotted line. Genes with log₂ fold changes ≥1 are colored red, whereas those with log_2 fold changes \leq -1 are colored blue. (B) Volcano plot showing the top differentially expressed genes in MPNST (n=6) vs PNF (n=10). (C) Lollipop plot demonstrating the log₂ fold changes in angiogenesis signature genes comparing MPNST (n=6) versus PNF (n=10). (D) Representative photomicrographs of immunohistochemical staining of CD31+ vessels per high power field in PNF, ANNUBP, and MPNST. Magnification is denoted by 100 µm scale bars with inset high-power magnification as shown. (E) Box plot of CD31+/vessels per high power field (HPF) in PNF (n=6), ANNUBP(n=5), and MPNST (n=6). Five independent HPFs were analyzed for each tumor slide. Whiskers extend from the minima to maxima. The center line represents the median. The box spans the 25th to 75th percentiles. Dots represent individual data points. P-values represent unpaired, two-tailed t-tests between groups. (F) UMAP visualization of integrated scRNAseq data from four patients with NF1-associated MPNST (n=21,969 cells) annotated by cell type. (G) UMAP plots of normalized gene expression values for angiogenesis markers including MMP9, FGF18, VEGFA, SERPINH1, HEY1, and FGFR1.