

Supplementary data 3: A. *In situ* zymography of liver metastases 7 d after intravenous inoculation of 5 x 10^3 L-Cl.5s-shNT or L-Cl.5s-shHIF- $1\alpha_2$ cells. Counterstaining was done with DAPI (blue signal). *Bars:* 25 µm. Lack of HIF- 1α , as achieved by use of a different shRNA, led to a strong reduction of gelatinolytic activity (green signal) within metastases. **B.** Mean luciferase-mRNA expression \pm SE (*columns* \pm *bars*) in L-Cl.5s-shHIF- $1\alpha_2$ cells, cultured with or without 100 µM DFO. Luciferase-mRNA levels were normalized to 18S-mRNA levels and the mean of the reference group L-Cl.5s-shNT (compare Fig. 5B) was set as 100%; n = 3. L-Cl.5s-shNT/without DFO: $100.0\% \pm 4.7\%$; L-Cl.5s-shNT/with DFO: $100.0\% \pm 1.2\%$ L-Cl.5s-shHIF- $1\alpha_2$ /with DFO: $100.0\% \pm 1.1\%$.