

SUPPLEMENTARY ONLINE DATA

Human ERAL1 is a mitochondrial RNA chaperone involved in the assembly of the 28S small mitochondrial ribosomal subunit

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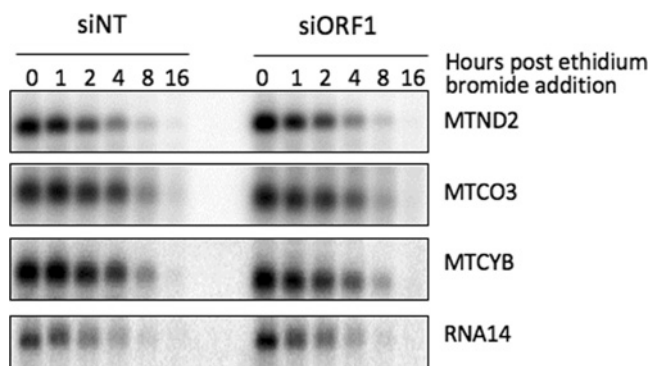


Figure S1 Stability of mitochondrially encoded transcripts is unaffected by loss of ERAL1

HEK-293T cells were transfected with control (siNT) or ERAL1-targeting (siORF1) siRNA for 3 days, after which mitochondrial transcription was inhibited by the addition of ethidium bromide (250 ng/ml). RNA was then isolated at the time points indicated post-addition of transcriptional inhibitor and 4 μg of each sample was separated through 1.2% agarose under denaturing conditions. Northern blot analysis was performed with random hexamer generated DNA probes to the mitochondrial transcripts indicated. MTCO3, COX3; MTCYB; mitochondrially encoded cytochrome *b*.

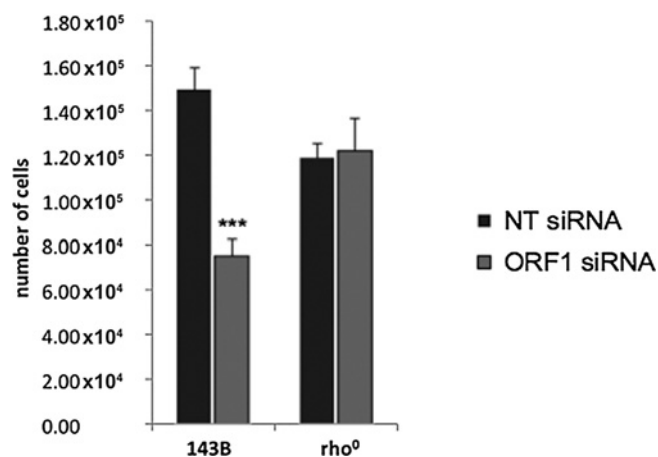


Figure S2 Confirmation that siORF1 that targets ERAL1 lacks off-target effects

End-point cell proliferation was quantified after 3 days of siRNA depletion of ERAL1 in 143B parental and rho⁰ cells with control (NT siRNA) or ERAL1-targeting (ORF1 siRNA). Depletion of ERAL1 with siORF1 showed a significant effect on the proliferation of parental 143B osteosarcoma cells (rho⁺), that contain mtDNA. In contrast, no effect on cell growth was observed in 143B rho⁰ cells (supplemented with 50 μg/ml uridine) that lack mtDNA and therefore are unaffected as they do not require mtDNA gene expression for growth. Results are means ± S.D. *P* < 0.001.

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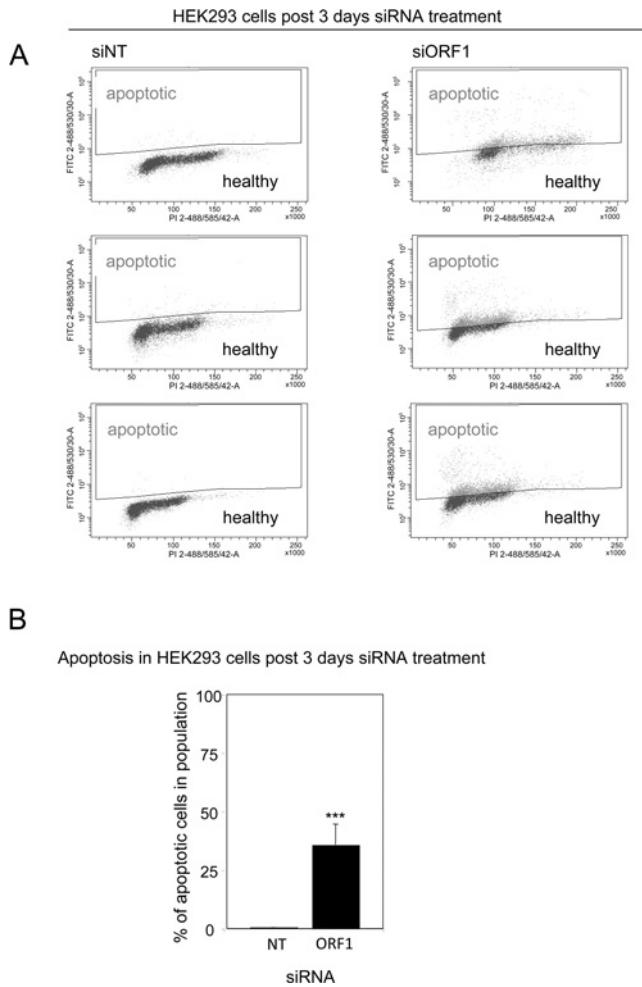


Figure S3 Analysis of apoptosis in HEK-293T cells post-siRNA treatment

HEK-293T cells were treated with control (siNT) or ERAL1-targeting (siORF1) siRNA for 3 days after which the proportion of apoptotic cells was estimated using the APO-Direct kit. **(A)** Representative primary FACS data for the both control and ERAL1-depleted cells. Analyses were performed on independent cultures of siRNA-transfected HEK-293T cells. **(B)** Quantification of the results in **(A)** is presented ($n = 4$) as a percentage of apoptotic cells within the population. Results are means + S.D. $P < 0.001$.

Table S1 Sequences of all 31 short RNA species bound by ERAL1 in the CLIP assay

N, signifies not determined by sequencer; *12S mt-rRNA sequences are portrayed in a linear fashion in Figure 3 in the main paper. TNF, tumour necrosis factor.

| CLONE NO. | SEQUENCE | IDENTITY |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------------|
| |TCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC 3'term (nt1601) | MT-RNR2 (12S mt-rRNA) * |
| 1.13 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 1.14 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGA..GTGCACCTGGACGAA | |
| 1.15 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 1.18 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 1.21 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 1.22 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACG | |
| 1.23 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 1.24 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGA | |
| 1.25 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.10 |AGTCGTAACAT*GTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACNTGGACGAACAAAG | |
| 2.11 |GTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.13 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.14 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.3 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.6 |*GGCCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 2.7 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.8 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGA..GTGCACCTGGACGAA | |
| 2.20 |CATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.22 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 2.24 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.25 |GTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAAA | |
| 2.26 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.28 |CAAGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.29 | GAGACAAGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.31 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGNNGANCA | |
| 2.32 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCNCTGGACGA | |
| 2.34 |GTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.36 |CGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 2.37 |AGTCGTAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAACA | |
| 2.38 |CGNAACATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGNACACNTGGACGAAC | |
| 2.40 |CATGGTAAGTGTACTGGAAAGTGCACCTGGACGAAC | |
| | GGCGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCTGACCA | MT-TP (Mt-IRNAPro) |
| 1.16F | .GGCGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCTGACCA | |
| 1.17R | GGTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCTGA | |
| 1.26 | .GGTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCT | |
| 2.16 | ..GTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCT | |
| 2.9 | .GGTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCTGAC | |
| 2.21 | .GGTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCT | |
| 2.27 | GGTGCTAATGGTGGAGTTAAAGACTTTTTCTCTGACCA | |
| | | E. coli 23S rRNA |
| 1.19 | GGGGTCCATCCCAGCTTACCAACCAGTGCACCACTCCGAATACCAGCAA | |
| 2.18 | ATTATACAAAAGTACGCAGTCACCGAACAAGTCGGCTCCAC | |
| | | KNOWN H. sapiens |
| 2.2 | CGCACGGGTACAACCACGACCAATGATATG | HSP70 protein 8 iso 1 |
| 2.6 | TCTAGATGCATCTTTAGGAAGGCTCTGTGGAAGGACAAAGGACCTGGGACCGGACTGG | TNF receptor family 10B |
| 2.41 | AGCGTGTGCCATACCTACGCCGCGAGCGGGTAACCCGTTGAAC | 18S rRNA |
| | | UNKNOWN |
| 2.12 | AGGAAGTCGATGTTTCAGGCTGTGCTCATGGGCTTCGTCGACAATGATG | |
| 2.15 | ACACACTGATTCAGGCTCTGGGCTCCTCCCC | |
| 2.17 | GTGATAGCCGCTACACTACGACC | |
| 2.23 | GGTAGTCTCGGCCCTAAACGATGATCACTAG | |
| 2.35 | ATCACTTTCGCATACGGGCTGTACCCGCTATGGCCACACTTTCAGAGTGTCTGC | |
| 2.40 | TCGTCAGAGAAACAGCAAGCTGTTTCCGTGTACCG | |

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