Supplemental Material



Figure S1. Relative CpG island and non-CpG island methylation in HPV(+) and HPV(-) tumor lines. The higher DNA methylation in HPV(+) tumor cells compared to HPV(-) tumor cells was observed both in Non-CpG island regions and CpG islands.



Figure S2. Unsupervised hierarchical clustering of the Illumina Infinium data, filtered based on three different levels of standard deviation of beta values across all four cell lines (see methods), was able to clearly separate the samples according to their HPV status. CpG sites with low standard deviation for beta values across all four cell lines were filtered out, which is a common approach to remove genes that are not informative, and values for each site were centered by their mean. Hierarchical clustering with correlation similarity measures and average linkage clustering was performed using Gene Cluster and Java TreeView to visualize results.⁴⁸ To determine whether the results are robust, we used three different cutoffs for standard deviation resulting in three different lists of CpG sites to cluster: (A) 0.01 (18,815 sites), (B) 0.10 (11,205 sites), and (C) 0.40 (2,457 sites). The range of standard deviations was 0.00017 - 0.57. Complete linkage and single linkage resulted in the same conclusions.



Figure S3: (A) UCSC Genome Browser view of *Cdkn2a* and *Cdkn2b* for averaged HPV(+) cells (top track) and averaged HPV(-) cells (middle track). Figure shows overall higher methylation in the HPV(-) cell lines. Also shown are GC percent and knownGene transcripts (bottom 2 tracks) **(B)** Schematic of the Illumina Infinium HumanMethylation27 results for for *Cdkn2a* (*p16*) and *Cdkn2b* (*p15*). Blue diamonds indicate difference in % methylation for HPV(+) – HPV(-) cell lines at sites measured by the Illumina platform. Vertical red lines indicate locations of transcription start sites and direction of transcription.



Figure S4. Circos plot of genome-wide DNA methylation and gene expression differences between HPV(+) and HPV(-) cell lines. The chromosome numbers are given on the periphery of the plot. The outer ring (blue background) depicts the average difference in DNA methylation between HPV positive and negative cell lines. The middle ring depicts the chromosome bands of the p and q arms with the centromere marked in red. The inner ring (grey background) depicts average differences in gene expression, with sites with at least an average two fold increase in expression in HPV(+) colored green and those with at least a two fold decrease in expression in HPV(+) colored red.



HPV-: Average methylation = 9%

HPV+: Average methylation = 94.5%



Figure S5: (A) Illumina BeadArray estimated *ESR1* methylation of 4% in HPV(-) tumors compared to 82% in HPV(+) tumors closest to TSS. This was in good agreement with the Affymetrix Chip Set, which estimated a 25-fold increase in methylation in the HPV(+) tumors at the most significant probe, just upstream of the start site. **(B)** Pyrosequencing validates *ESR1* as differentially methylated in HPV+ and HPV- HNSCC in the original four cell lines.



Figure S6: Histogram of differences in % methylation between HPV(+) (n=18) and HPV(-) (n=28) tumor samples shows a similar trend towards higher methylation in HPV(+) samples as was observed in cell lines. CpG methylation was measured using the Illumina Goldengate Cancer Panel. CpG sites were filtered by p-value < 0.10 for having a different % methylation in HPV(+) versus HPV(-) tumor samples, analyzed by t-tests.



Figure S7: Properties of the Illumina HumanMethylation27 Infinium BeadArray. Top: Pie chart showing the relative proportions of probes in CpG islands, within 1kb of a CpG island, 1-2kb from a CpG island, and farther than 2kb. **Bottom:** Table showing that most genes are represented by 1 or 2 sites (probes) on the array. A small percent, mainly imprinted and cancer-related genes, are represented by up to one dozen sites (probes).



Figure S8: Motivation and results for our novel dye normalization method for the Illumina HumanMethylation27 Infinium BeadArray. (A) Example QQ-plots of the red versus green beta values (estimates of % methylation) show a non-linear relationship with green dye stronger in the low expression range (B) Table showing the counts of CpG island and non-CpG island probes labeled in red (Cy5) and green (Cy3). Numbers demonstrate that dye is confounded with CpG island status (C) Boxplots of average log intensities, divided by dye and CpG island status (T=in CpG island; F=not in CpG island) for each of the four cells lines (D) Scatter plot of the normalized versus raw beta values. As the plot illustrates, the largest differences are in the mid-range of % methylation. (E) Boxplots showing improvement in correlation between 18 replicate sample pairs from a separate study of colon tumors after our normalization scheme (left), however, no improvement in correlations is observed when performing a similar quantile normalization without taking CpG island status into account (right). There was a small, but significant, improvement in p-values such that the average improvement was 0.004, or ~1.0% (p=3.0x10⁻ ⁹).



Figure S9: Strategy for the dye normalization method for the Illumina HumanMethylation27 Infinium BeadArrays. The Unmethylated (Signal A) and Methylated (Signal B) probes for each sample are divided into groups according to whether they are in CpG islands or not, and whether they are labeled with Red or Green dye. The red and green signal intensities are then quantile normalized, allowing the overall distribution of % methylation to remain the same for each sample, and within CpG island status.



Figure S10: GeneGO MetaCore legend for use with Figures 3 and 4.

Supplemental Tables

Supplementary Table 1: Primers for pyrosequencing validation and LINE-1. The *DCC* PCR amplicon is 155 base pairs and contains 5 CpG sites. The *ESR1* PCR amplicon is 114 base pairs and contains 6 CpG sites; we quantified methylation at 3 CpG sites. PCR was carried out using HotStar Taq Master Mix (Qiagen, Valencia, CA) with 3μ L of bisulfite converted DNA for 45 cycles to ensure exhaustion of biotinylated primers.

Gene	Forward primer	Reverse primer	Sequencing primer
DCC	5'- GGTTGGTTGATTAGGATTG	5'-biotin- CCCCTCACTATACCCCAATAC	5'- TTGATTAGGATTGTTGTAATTT
	TTGTAATT	CCATCTA	
ESR1	5'- AGTTTTTTTTGGGTTATTTT TAGTAGAT	5'-biotin- AAACAACTTCCCTAAACTTTA CTTTAC	5'- TTTTTGGGTTATTTTTAGTAGAT
LINE -1	5'- TTGAGTTAGGTGTGGGATA TAGTT	5'- CAAAAAATCAAAAAATTCCCT TTCC	5'- AGGTGTGGGGATATAGT

Expression Entrez ID Gene Chromosomal % meth in % meth Methylation % change in Expression HPV+ in HPV methylation Fold change symbol location p-value p-value Higher Methylation / Lower Expression in HPV-KRT8 3856 Chr12:51585412 13% 80% 67% 0.0018 13.5 0.031 HOXA7 87% 3204 Chr7:27162678 6% 93% 0.00062 5.6 0.0057 1029 CDKN2A Chr9:21984108 2% 34% 32% 0.013 48.5 0.0012 7% 38% 5446 EHF Chr11:34599461 45% 3.53E-05 48.6 0.0039 29984 RHOD Chr11:66581226 5% 71% 66% 0.022 5.1 0.078 8835 SOCS2 Chr12:92490616 4% 52% 48% 0.042 4.4 0.090 8416 ANXA9 Chr1:149220567 31% 81% 50% 0.017 11.6 0.00014 283212 KLHL35 Chr11:74818329 1% 97% 96% 5.14E-06 7.1 5.1E-06 CIDEB 27141 Chr14:23850391 7% 87% 79% 0.0076 6.2 0.015 84842 HPDL Chr1:45565129 2% 80% 78% 0.025 14.8 0.00060 1902 LPAR1/EDG Chr9:112841141 80% 79% 0.0080 8.2 0.0025 1% 4291 MLF1 Chr3:159771755 2% 67% 66% 0.0070 3.8 0.045 9743 RICS Chr11:12839906 15% 76% 60% 0.046 2.5 0.035 TFPI2 7980 Chr7:93358381 29% 89% 61% 0.013 53.8 0.0011 Higher Methylation / Lower Expression in HPV+ CCNA1 8900 59% 3% 56% 0.0017 -7.1 0.040 Chr13:35904611 230 ALDOC 80% 5% 75% -4.3 Chr17:23928055 0.0090 0.0048 COL5A2 93% 5% 88% -48.1 0.0031 1290 Chr2:189752881 5.43E-05 1514 CTSL1 91% 7% 84% 0.00097 -4.1 0.046 Chr9:89530472 2517 FUCA1 Chr1:24067730 83% 31% 51% 0.030 -4.7 0.0060 HPS1 3257 Chr10:10019691 93% 70% 23% 0.0046 -2.5 0.0213 IRS1 Chr2:227374043 96% 48% 48% -2.2 3667 0.0091 0.031 4000 LMNA Chr1:154349900 83% 26% 58% 0.00039 -1.9 0.035 MOBKL2A Chr19:2046364 97% 7% 90% 0.00055 -2.6 0.034 126308 MRPL43 84545 Chr10:10273853 91% 66% 26% 0.00049 -3.2 0.0079 NUPR1/P8 26471 Chr16:28457672 91% 11% 80% 3.50E-05 -19.2 0.0085 11142 PKIG Chr20:42593663 66% 5% 61% -2.3 0.039 0.0041 6781 STC1 Chr8:23768300 65% 11% 54% 0.0032 -145.1 2.5E-05 57415 C3orf14 Chr3:62280187 95% 4% 91% 2.61E-05 -50.7 0.00032 9976 CLEC2B Chr12:9913949 37% 9% 28% 0.026 -9.7 0.0049 -42.7 2069 EREG Chr4:75449765 56% 4% 52% 0.00052 0.022 DDX6 -1.3 1656 Chr11:11816799 77% 17% 60% 0.025 0.024 GNS 70% -2.9 2799 Chr12:63440249 81% 11% 0.0090 0.0079 1734 DIO2 Chr14:79747441 97% 7% 90% 0.00014 -7.0 0.0058 3572 IL6ST Chr5:55326503 48% 6% 42% 0.0075 -2.2 0.016 MUDENG Chr14:56804217 90% 38% 52% -2.6 0.0086 55745 0.043 91663 MYADM Chr19:59061281 94% 4% 90% 1.07E-05 -7.9 0.0033 RHOQ 23433 Chr2:46623803 88% 4% 84% 0.0054 -5.6 0.026 PGF 5228 Chr14:74492357 73% 12% -2.2 0.020 61% 0.036 5229 PGGT1B Chr5:114626745 82% 22% 60% 0.031 -1.4 0.028 5999 RGS4 Chr1:161305779 80% 5% 75% 0.015 -52.5 0.026 RPP30 12% 10556 Chr10:92621408 75% 62% 0.00084 -2.2 0.0039 7170 TPM3 Chr1:152431575 82% 22% 61% 0.013 -2.7 0.017

Supplementary Table 2. Selected differentially expressed and CpG methylated genes between HPV+ and HPV- cell lines

Chromosomal location is given in human genome version hg17 coordinates.

Concept Type	Concept Name	# genes in concept	Odds ratio	p-value	FDR	Genes with p<0.05 for expression difference		
Up in HPV+ cells								
Cytoband	9p24.1	16	129.0	6.3E-17	3.7E-14	UHRF2, C9ord123, C9orf46, CDC37L1,		
Cytoband	19q13.11 19q13.12	28 55	32.8 16.5	3.0E-10 1.3E-09	4.7E-08 1.1E-07	NUDT19, RHPN2, CEBPG, PDCD2L ZNF260, HAUS5, ZNF571, ZNF383, ZNF567, ZNF566		
MiMI	SFN interactions	124	9.3	6.3E-10	2.8E-06	PTPN3, CGN, RHPN2, KRT18		
MeSH	Desmosomes	28	29.9	1.6E-09	3.4E-06	KLK5, DSG4, KRT18, KRT8		
MeSH	Keratinocytes	72	11.9	9.3E-09	6.8E-06	FLG, SCEL, CRABP2, IVL, IL1A		
GO	Epidermis development	150	6.7	1.4E-08	2.1E-05	FST, HOXA7, FLG, PTGS2, SCEL, CYP27B1, CST6, KLK5, NGFR, IVL, CRABP2, CDKN2A, WNT7A, LAMC2		
MiMI	SELL interactions	16	44.7	5.1E-08	7.6E-05	SELE, PRKCQ, PRKCI, MUC7		
MeSH	Epithelial cells	60	11.9	1.4E-07	5.9E-05	PTGS2, OCLN, CCL28, LAMC2, KRT18		
Up in HPV- cells								
Cytoband	16p11.2	101	18.5	1.6E-12	4.7E-10	PRSS53, VKORC1, NUPR1, C16orf54, ALDOA		
Cytoband	Xq28	93	15.7	3.2E-10	4.7E-08	GABRE, GABRA3, G6PD, MPP1		
Pfam	Core histone H2A/H2B/H3/H4	39	33.0	1.3E-09	4.6E-07	HIST1H4F, HIST2H2BE, HIST1H2BM		
KEGG	Systemic lupus erythematosus	103	14.1	8.1E-09	1.5E-06	HLA-DRA, HIST1H4F, HIST2H2BE, HIST1H2BM, HIST2H2AA3, C1S		
GO	Calcium- dependent cell- cell adhesion	24	55.5	7.8E-10	2.8E-06	CDH2, PCDHB2, PCDHB10,		
MeSH	3-Hydroxysteriod Dehydrogenases	12	98.2	6.3E-09	6.8E-06	HSD3B2, AKR1C3, AKR1C2, AKR1C1		
GO	Fibrillar collagen	11	100.2	1.7E-08	2.1E-05	COL5A2, LUM		
GO	Calcium ion binding	861	2.6	4.6E-08	4.2E-05	CACNA2D3, HPCAL1, VWCE, GNS, PLCB1, EMR1, DTNA, DSPP, NELL2, CDH18, CDH2, C1S, BGLAP, MYL6B, ITPR1, PCDHB2, PCDHB8, PCDHB10, CGREF1,		

Supplementary Table 3. Top ranked concepts significantly enriched with genes up- or down- regulated in HPV+ compared to HPV- cell lines

Enrichment tested with LRpath . MiMI = *Michigan Molecular Interactions* comprehensive database of protein interactions. MeSH-defined gene groups were defined based on <u>http://gene2mesh.ncibi.org</u>.

Supplemental Methods

DNA Methylation with Infinium HumanMethylation27 BeadArray

The Illumina Infinium HumanMethylation27 BeadArray platform is inherently different from other Cy3/Cy5 platforms. Whereas for most Cy3/Cy5 platforms, the measurements being compared are labeled with the two different dyes, in this platform the measurements being compared (methylated versus unmethylated DNA from the same site) are labeled with the same dye. In this platform, the dye is instead determined by the nucleotide base following the CG site: red for T or A and green otherwise. Thus, it may seem reasonable to assume that no dye normalization is needed for this platform. However, as we explain below, our observations of the properties of this data and additional data from this platform, led us to conclude otherwise. However, since the two measurements directly being compared on this platform are labeled with the same dye. we cannot perform the usual local regression or smoothing spline to normalize for dye effect. Following is the motivation for performing a dye normalization for this platform. Although the sets of red and green-dye labeled probes could be thought of as two separate experiments, their beta values (estimating % methylation) have two different, likely non-linear, relationships with actual % methylation. This non-linear relationship is hinted at by the quantile-quantile plots (qq-plots) for raw % methylation between red and green sites presented in Supplemental Figure 2A. Similar to what is often observed in other Cy3/Cy5 platforms, Cy3 (green) is observed as being stronger in the low expression range. However, one may argue that since dye is determined by the nucleotide base following the CG pair, this difference may have a meaningful biological basis rather than being a technical factor, and therefore should not be corrected for. If the following base is a C or G, the region may be more likely to be a CpG island. Indeed, the ratio of CpG island:non-CpG island for green is 3.71, whereas the ratio of CpG island:non-CpG island for red is 1.82, meaning that a green labeled probe is twice as likely to be in a CpG island than a red labeled probe (Supplemental Figure 2B). Thus, confounding between dye and CpG island status exists. However, as shown in Supplementary Figure 2C, the average intensity of methylated and unmethylated DNA is affected both by dye and CpG island status, with CpG islands and green-labeled sites tending to have higher fluorescent levels. Since the dye-affect still exists, even after accounting for CpG island status, this will affect the estimated % methylation and differences in % methylation between two samples, and thus will affect the ranking of the results. Since many investigators concentrate on ranks of genes, whether by % methylation, change in % methylation or significance, we should normalize the dyes to have the same relationship with actual % methylation, even if this true relationship is unknown. Otherwise, the red and green labeled CG sites will display different distributions for change in % methylation, skewing the ranked results.

Our normalization method was developed to correct for the non-linear relationship between beta values from red versus green-labeled sites, while NOT affecting the overall distribution of % methylation in CpG island sites and non-CpG island sites for each sample. Our normalization consists of the following steps, and was implemented using R statistical environment and Bioconductor. First, for each sample, obtain the raw signal levels for methylated (unbisulfite converted) and unmethylated (bisulfate converted) probes that are in a CpG island separately for green and red-labeled probes. Second, perform quantile normalization for the red versus green CpG island probes for each sample separately. Next, repeat this type of quantile normalizations for the non-CpG island probes. Since the number of red and green-labeled

probes differ, "NA" values were added to the set containing fewer probes to allow the use of the normalize.quantiles function in R/Bioconductor software. The signal levels for CpG and non-CpG islands are then recombined, and the normalized beta values are defined as B/(A+B), where B = the quantile normalized intensity for methylated DNA, and A = the quantile normalized intensity for unmethylated DNA. A scatter plot of raw versus normalized beta values is shown in Supplemental Figure 2D. To test whether this normalization method has a benefit, we used it to normalize 18 additional, unrelated colon cancer samples from this platform, which allowed us to obtain a better estimate of improvement in correlation between replicate samples. Our novel normalization procedure not only improved the correlation among replicate samples in this experiment and the larger set of colon cancer samples, but also slightly improved the p-values for differential methylation.

Gene Expression Analysis

As stated, functional enrichment testing of the expression data was performed using LRpath²¹. LRpath is a logistic regression-based method shown to perform favorably compared to alternative approaches in small sample experiments²¹. Because the original version of LRpath is limited to testing Gene Ontology (GO) and KEGG pathways, we developed a custom implementation of LRpath that incorporates multiple additional gene groups, including cytoband locations and several obtained from the database for the web-based gene set enrichment program, ConceptGen²², in additional to GO and KEGG. The additional gene groups are the MiMI protein interactions, Pfam, MeSH, Biocarta, and Panther concept types from ConceptGen.

