# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



## Supplementary Figure 1. BCL6 levels increase in response to the expression of a dominant negative CUL1 mutant or silencing of RBX1.

**a**, Ramos cells were infected with an empty virus (EV) or a virus expressing FLAG-tagged Cul1(1-385). Twenty-four hours post-infection, cells were harvested for immunoblotting as indicated. BCL6 levels increased in cells expressing Cul1(1-385), similar to p27 and cyclin E, two established SCF substrates<sup>1-3</sup>.

**b**, SK-MEL-28 cells were transfected with either short interfering RNAs (siRNAs) to the indicated mRNAs or a non-targeting siRNA (NTS). Cells were collected 48 hours after transfection, lysed, and processed for immunoblotting with antibodies to the indicated proteins.

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#### Supplementary Figure 2. BCL6 specifically interacts with FBX011.

**a**, BCL6 specifically interacts with endogenous FBX011. HEK-293T cells were transfected with FLAG-tagged BCL6 (in duplicate) or an empty vector (EV). Whole cell extracts (WCE) were immunoprecipitated (IP) with anti-FLAG resin and probed with antibodies to the indicated proteins. Exogenous BCL6 interacted with endogenous FBX011, SKP1, and neddylated CUL1 (the form of CUL1 which preferentially binds SCF substrates), but not FBXL1, FBXW9, CDC20, or CDH1.

**b**, Endogenous FBXO11 and endogenous BCL6 associate in normal B-cells. B-cells from healthy immunized mice were treated with MG132 2.5 hours prior to lysis. Lysates were immunoprecipitated with either a polyclonal antibody against FBXO11, a polyclonal antibody to BCL6, or a nonspecific rabbit IgG and analyzed by immunoblotting as indicated.



#### Supplementary Figure 3. BCL6 and FBX011 colocalize in the nucleus.

U-2 OS cells were transfected with HA-tagged BCL6 and FLAG-tagged FBX011. Twenty-four hours after transfection, cells were immunostained as indicated. Soluble nuclear proteins in the cells in the bottom panels were pre-extracted with 0.5% Triton-X100 prior to immunostaining. Where indicated, MG132 was added to prevent the degradation of BCL6. In the merged image, yellow shows colocalization of FBX011 and BCL6. Both proteins were localized in the nucleus, but, after *in situ* cell fractionation, BCL6 and FBX011 displayed an overlapping punctuate staining for throughout the nucleoplasm. а





## Supplementary Figure 4. Expression of FBX011 induces a reduction in the levels and stability of BCL6.

**a**, FBXO11 is the only F-box protein that promotes efficient BCL6 degradation. HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 in combination with either an empty vector (EV) or the indicated FLAG-tagged F-box proteins. Twenty-four hours posttransfection, cells were treated with cycloheximide (CHX), and samples were harvested at the indicated time points for immunoblotting. The lysates in the first four lanes are from cells transfected with EV alone.

**b**, FBX011-mediated degradation of BCL6 requires the presumptive substrate recognition domain in FBX011. HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 in combination with either an empty vector (EV), FLAG-tagged FBX011, or FLAG-tagged FBX011( $\Delta$ 585-746), an FBX011 mutant missing the third of three CASH domains, the presumptive substrate recognition domains of FBX011. Twenty-four hours post-transfection, cells were treated with cycloheximide (CHX), and samples were harvested at the indicated time points for immunoblotting. The lysate shown in the first lane is from untransfected cells. The asterisk denotes a non-specific band present in the anti-BCL6 blot. FBX011( $\Delta$ 585-746) was unable to induce BCL6 degradation, in agreement with its inability to bind BCL6 (as shown in Fig. 1A).

**c**, FBX011 is the only F-box protein that promotes a reduction in BCL6 levels. HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 alone or in combination with either an empty vector (EV), GFP, or the indicated FLAG-tagged F-box proteins. Twenty-four hours after transfection, cells were harvested, lysed, and processed for immunoblotting as indicated. The lysate in the first lane is from cells transfected with EV alone. The asterisks denote non-specific bands.





Supplementary Figure 5. Silencing of *FBX011* results in increased levels and stability of BCL6.

**a**, Ramos cells were infected with either viruses expressing two different *FBX011* shRNAs (alone or in combination) or an empty virus (EV), and selected for 72 hours. Protein extracts were then immunoblotted for the indicated proteins. The bottom panel shows the analysis of *FBX011* mRNA by quantitative Real-Time PCR in triplicate measurements (±SD). The amount of *FBX011* mRNA present in the sample treated with the control shRNA was set as 100. Although both constructs alone targeted *FBX011*, the combination of both was more efficient in silencing *FBX011* expression. Accordingly, the combination of both constructs produced a more robust effect on BCL6 levels.

**b**, Ramos cells were infected with either viruses expressing two different *FBX011* shRNAs (in combination) or an empty virus (EV), selected, and treated with cycloheximide for the indicated times. Protein extracts were immunoblotted for the indicated proteins.

**c,** SK-MEL-28 cells were infected with either viruses expressing five different *FBX011* shRNAs or an empty virus (EV), and selected for 72 hours. Protein extracts were immunoblotted for the indicated proteins. [SK-MEL-28 melanoma cells express *BCL6* mRNA (http://biogps.gnf.org/#goto=genereport&id=604), in line with the evidence that BCL6 expression is not limited to the B-cell compartment. Indeed, primary melanocytes also express *BCL6* mRNA<sup>4</sup>, and high levels of the BCL6 is associated with shorter survival in melanoma patients<sup>5</sup>.]

**d**, SK-MEL-28 cells were transfected with either short interfering RNAs (siRNAs) to the indicated mRNAs (using four different oligos, alone or in combination for *FBX011*) or a non-targeting siRNA (NTS). Cells were collected 48 hours after transfection, lysed, and processed for immunoblotting with antibodies to the indicated proteins. Although each of the four oligos induced FBX011 downregulation alone, a pool of all four was more efficient in silencing FBX011 expression and produced a more robust effect on BCL6 levels.

**e**, SK-MEL-28 cells were transfected with siRNAs to either a non-relevant mRNA (*LacZ*) or *FBX011* mRNA (using a combination of four different oligos). Cells were treated with cycloheximide for the indicated times. Protein extracts were immunoblotted for the indicated proteins.



## Supplementary Figure 6. FBX011 promotes BCL6 ubiquitylation *in vivo*.

HeLa cells were transfected with the indicated constructs and treated with MG132 as indicated. Whole cell extracts were denatured, immunoprecipitated with an anti-HA antibody ( $\alpha$ -HA), and immunoblotted as indicated. The bracket on the left side of the top two panels marks a ladder of bands >86 kDa that corresponds to ubiquitylated BCL6.



## Supplementary Figure 7. FBX011 binding to BCL6 is independent of B-cell antigen-receptor signaling and the MAPK pathway.

**a**, Ramos cells were incubated with anti-IgM antibodies [a treatment that mimics B-cell antigen-receptor signaling and activates ERK2 (ref<sup>6</sup>)] in the presence of MG132 and in the presence or absence of PD98059, a MEK inhibitor, as indicated. Cells were lysed and extracts were immunoprecipitated with an anti-FBX011 antibody. Immunoprecipitates and whole cell extracts (WCE) were immunoblotted for the indicated proteins.

**b**, *In vitro* transcribed/translated, HA-tagged BCL6 was purified with anti-HA agarose and subjected to a kinase reaction in the presence or absence of purified ERK2 using  $[\gamma^{-32}P]$ -ATP. BCL6 was then incubated with purified FLAG-FBXO11, repurified with anti-HA agarose, and subjected to immunoblotting as indicated (top two panels). Only when incubated with ERK2, BCL6 displayed a gel shift, indicating that the majority of BCL6 was phosphorylated. The bottom panel shows a PhosphorIimaging analysis of the kinase reaction product confirming that BCL6 is phosphorylated by ERK2.

c, *In vitro* transcribed/translated, HA-tagged BCL6 was purified with anti-HA agarose and treated with  $\lambda$ -phosphatase. (This  $\lambda$ -phosphatase treatment inhibited the binding of FBXW11 to one of its established substrates; not shown) BCL6 was then incubated with *in vitro* transcribed/translated FLAG-FBXO11, repurified with anti-HA agarose, and subjected to immunoblotting as indicated.

**d**, HEK-293T cells were transfected with either HA-tagged BCL6 or HA-tagged BCL6(ΔPEST), a mutant lacking amino acids 300-417, together with either FLAG-FBXO11 or FLAG-FBXO1, as indicated. Cells were treated with MG132 during the last five hours prior to harvest. Whole cell lysates (WCE) were purified with anti-HA agarose, and subjected to immunoblotting as indicated.



## Supplementary Figure 8. *FBX011* is homozygously deleted in FARAGE and MHHPREB1 cells and hemizygously deleted in HT cells.

**a**, Sixteen DLBCL cell lines and six Burkitt's lymphoma cell lines (BL) were analyzed by immunoblotting for the indicated proteins.

**b**, The histograms illustrate the mean value ratios of a quantitative Real Time-PCR (qRT-PCR) analysis of *FBX011* gene copy number. The C<sub>t</sub> values for two independent primer sets (depicted in the figure, see also Supplementary Table 3) were normalized using the median of gene copy numbers obtained with specific primers for loci on chromosomes 5, 6, and 12. The results are expressed as the amount of *FBX011* DNA relative to these loci and are compared to the ratio found in primary human fibroblasts. The standard deviations were calculated from two experiments performed in duplicate.

**c,** The histograms illustrate the mean value ratios of a qRT-PCR analysis of *FBXO11* mRNA. The results are expressed as the amount of *FBXO11* mRNA relative to three housekeeping genes (*SDHA*, *GAPDH*, and *RPS13*). The amount of *FBXO11* mRNA present in VAL cells was set as 1.



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## Supplementary Figure 9. *FBXO11* is mutated in OCI-LY1 cells and primary DLBCLs.

**a**, The chromatograms display *FBX011* mutations (indicated by an arrow) identified by sequencing of RT-PCR products from the genomes of OCI-LY1 cells or the indicated DLBCLs (see Supplementary Table 1). Genomic DNA from six other DLBCL cell lines (OCI-LY3, OCI-LY8, SUDHL6, HT, RCK8, and VAL) was also sequenced, but no mutations in *FBX011* were identified.

**b**, Mutations found in human DLBCLs are indicated above the domain structure of human FBX011. In parenthesis, tumor numbers are indicated (see Table 1).

**c**, The amino acids changed in FBXO11 in OCI-LY1 cells and primary DLBCLs are conserved from worms to humans. The figure shows the alignment of the region in FBXO11 (from different species) that contains the amino acids changed in OCI-LY1 cells and primary DLBCLs. The red frame indicates the three amino acids found mutated in tumors.



Supplementary Figure 10. The FBX011 gene is deleted in DLBCL cell lines.

Affymetrix Genome-Wide Human HD-SNP 6.0 array copy number data of the *FBX011* locus in 27 DLBCL cell lines and 20 healthy donors is shown. The status of the *BCL6* and *BCL2* loci is also shown. The data are also accessible at the National Center for Biotechnology Information-Gene Expression Omnibus (NCBI-GEO; <u>http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/)</u> database<sup>7</sup>, accession # GSE22208 (ref <sup>8</sup>).

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MOLT16	T-ALL	HEMATOPOIETIC	77	6 (8%)
MHHPREB1 D075 HT	BURKIT T LYMPHOMA DLBCL	- DLBCL	7	3 (43%)
JRT3735 Farage MOLT4	ALL DLBCL T-ALL	NON-HEMATOPOIETIC	255	3 (1%)
HuT78 MOLT3 JVM3	CUTANEUS T-CELL LYMPHOMA T-ALL B-CLL	BLADDER	10	0
THP1 L428 HH	AML HODGKIN LYMPHOMA CUTANEUS T-CELL LYMPHOMA	BRAIN	7	1
BC2 REC1	B-CELL EFFUSION LYMPHOMA B-CELL LYMPHOMA B-ALL	BREAST	21	0
K562		CNS	11	0
DB RPM18226		CERVIX	7	0
EB2 HSSultan RCHACV	MYELOMA AML	COLON	19	0
EB3 KG1 Raji	ALL BURKITT LYMPHOMA	CONNECTIVE T.	4	0
HL60 EB1 ST486	PML BURKITT LYMPHOMA BURKITT LYMPHOMA	ESOPHAGUS	4	0
MJ SR CR45	CUTANEUS T-CELL LEUKEMIA LYMPHOMA BURKITT LYMPHOMA	EYE	1	0
P3HR1 BV173 BDCM	BURKITT LYMPHOMA BURKITT LYMPHOMA B-CELL LINE WITH DC MORPHOLOGY	KIDNEY	8	0
NAMALWA Daudi Meci	BURKITT LYMPHOMA BURKITT LYMPHOMA B-CLL	LIVER	9	0
BC3 T0175T	B-CELL LYMPHOMA LYMPHOMA B-CELL LYMPHOMA	LUNG	81	1
MCCAR RPMI6666	MYELOMA HODGKIN LYMPHOMA	MUSCLE	4	0
RMLM1 CROP2 MC116	B-CELL LYMPHOMA B-CELL LYMPHOMA	OVARY	7	0
RL BC1 WV4II	B-CELL LYMPHOMA B-CELL EFFUSION LYMPHOMA BURKITT LYMPHOMA	PANCREAS	9	0
EM2 KU812 SUDHL16	CML CML DLBCL	PHARYNX	2	0
CCRFSB Pfeiffer MEG01	B-LYMPHOBLASTOID LEUKEMIA DLBCL MEGAKARYOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA	PLACENTA	3	0
SEM Jigoye Suphi 6	B-CELL PRECURSOR LEUKEMIA B-CELL LYMPHOMA DLBCL	PROSTATE	6	1
ARH77 ML2	PLASMA CELL LEUKEMIA AML ALL	RECTUM	2	0
Hunsi Tanoue	PLASMA CELL MYELOMA B-CELL LEUKEMIA AML	SARCOME	2	0
PLB985		SKIN	12	0
NG37 CESS Kasum i2		STOMACH	5	0
CCRFCEM SK0007	T-CELL LEUKEMIA MYELOMA	SYNOVIUM	1	0
U26681 GDM1 CMLT1	MULTIPLE MYELOMA ACUTE MYELOMONOCYTIC LEUKEMIA4 T-ALL	THYROIS	4	0
NALM6	PRE-B-CELL LYMPHOMA	UTERUS	9	0
		VULVA	3	0



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## Supplementary Figure 11. The *FBX011* gene is deleted in hematopoietic cell lines more often than in other types of cell lines.

**a**, A High-Density, Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (HD-SNP) inferred copy number heat map of the *FBXO11* locus in 77 hematopoietic cell lines is shown. The data were gathered from the GSK cancer cell line genomic profiling database (<u>https://cabig.nci.nih.gov/caArray GSKdata/</u>) analyzed via the Cancer Genome Atlas data portal (<u>http://cancergenome.nih.gov/)</u>. The table on the right summarizes the number of *FBXO11* deletions identified in 332 cell lines.

**b**, An HD-SNP inferred copy number heat map of the *FBX011* locus in 255 nonhematopoietic cell lines (obtained from the same GSK database) is shown.

**c**, An HD-SNP inferred copy number heat map of the *BCL6* locus in 77 hematopoietic cell lines (obtained from the same GSK database) is shown. The arrows indicate cell lines with *FBX011* deletions.

**d**, An HD-SNP inferred copy number heat map of the *BCL2* locus in 77 hematopoietic cell lines (obtained from the same GSK database) is shown. The arrows indicate cell lines with *FBX011* deletions.



#### Supplementary Figure 12. The FBX011 gene is deleted in primary DLBCLs.

**a**, Affymetrix 250K Sty HD-SNP array copy number data of the *FBX011* locus in 13 Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) samples, 19 DLBCLs, and 19 Follicular Lymphomas (FL) is shown. The status of the *BCL6* and *BCL2* loci is also shown. Data are accessible at the NCBI-GEO database<sup>7</sup>, accession # GSE22082 (<sup>9</sup>).

**b**, Affymetrix 250K Nsp HD-SNP array copy number data of the *FBX011* locus in 50 DLBCLs, 39 FLs, and 84 Mucosa-Associated Lymphoid Tissue lymphomas (MALTs) is shown. The status of the *BCL6* and *BCL2* loci is also shown. The data are accessible at the NCBI-GEO database<sup>7</sup>, accession # GSE12906 (ref <sup>10</sup>).

The table at the bottom summarizes the number of *FBX011* deletions identified by the three studies reported in Supplementary Fig. 10 and 12.

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## Supplementary Figure 13. FBX011 tumor-derived mutants have an impaired ability to induce BCL6 degradation.

a, HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 in combination with GFP, FLAGtagged wild type (WT) FBXO11, or the indicated FLAG-tagged FBXO11 tumorderived mutants. Twenty-four hours post-transfection, cells were treated with cycloheximide (CHX), and samples were harvested at the indicated time points for immunoblotting. The asterisks denote non-specific bands that are used for normalization. The graph shows the quantification of BCL6 over the time course. The intensity of the bands from the experiment shown in the upper blot was measured using Image-Pro Plus 6.0 software (Media Cybernetics). The ratio between the relative levels of BCL6 and  $\alpha$ -Tubulin in each time 0 was set as 100%.

**b**, HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 in combination with GFP, FLAGtagged wild type (WT) FBXO11, or the indicated FLAG-tagged FBXO11 tumorderived mutants. Twenty-four hours post-transfection, cells were treated with cycloheximide (CHX), and samples were harvested at the indicated time points for immunoblotting. The graph shows the quantification of BCL6 over the time course. The intensity of the bands from the experiment shown was measured using Image-Pro Plus 6.0 software (Media Cybernetics). The ratio between the relative levels of BCL6 and PCNA in each time 0 was set as 100%.



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## Supplementary Figure 14. Tumor-derived FBX011 mutants do not colocalize with BCL6 and bind BCL6 less efficiently than wild type FBX011.

**a**, U-2 OS cells were transfected with HA-tagged BCL6 and either FLAG-tagged wild type (WT) FBX011 or the indicated FLAG-tagged FBX011 tumor-derived mutant. Twenty-four hours after transfection, cells were incubated with MG132 for four hours, pre-extracted with 0.5% Triton-X100, and immunostained as indicated. In the merged image, yellow shows colocalization of FBX011 and BCL6. FBX011(Y560C) was not detected because the Y560C mutation makes FBX011 Triton-soluble, as shown in *b*.

**b**, U-2 OS cells were transfected with FLAG-tagged FBXO11(Y560C). Twentyfour hours after transfection, cells were incubated with MG132 for four hours and immunostained as indicated. Soluble nuclear proteins in the cells shown in the bottom panels were pre-extracted with 0.5% Triton-X100 prior to immunostaining. In the merged image, yellow shows colocalization of FBXO11 and BCL6. FBXO11(Y560C) was only detected in non-extracted cells, indicating that the Y560C mutation makes FBXO11 Triton-soluble.

**c,** HEK-293T cells were transfected with BCL6 in combination with GFP, FLAGtagged wild type (WT) FBX011, or the indicated FLAG-tagged FBX011 tumorderived mutants. Twenty-four hours after transfection, cells were harvested and lysed. Whole cell extracts (WCE) were subjected to immunoprecipitation (IP) with anti-HA resin (α-HA) and immunoblotting as indicated.

Case #	Year	Age	Gender	Location	Diagnosis	Previous lymphoma	Sample origin	clonality	BCL2 rear.	CD10	MUM1/IRF4	BCL6	TYPE
1	2008	56	M	Stomach	DLBCL		Esophagus + Liver	Clonal FR3		+	+	ND	GCB
2	2008	60	F M	Subcutaneous	DLBCL		LIN	Clonal ED2	+	<del>-</del>	+		ABC
4	2008	68		Inquinal I N	DIBCI		IN	Clonal FR3	+		+		ABC
5	2008	67	M	Spleen	DLBCL		Spleen	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	-	ABC
6	2008	75	М	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	ND	ND	-	+	-	ABC
7	2008	74	М	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2		-	+	+	ABC
8	2008	50	M	Cervical LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2			+	+	ABC
9	2008	52 03	F	Cervical I N	DLBCL		LIN I N	Clonal FR3		+		+	GCB
11	2008	53	M	Axillary I N	DIBCI		LN I N	Clonal FR3			+		ABC
12	2008	29	М	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Polyclonal FR2	-	-	-	+	GCB
13	2008	79	М	Inguinal LN	DLBCL	GL (1999)	LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	-	ABC
14	2008	76	F	Mesenteric LN	DLBCL		OMENTUM	Clonal FR3		+	+	+	GCB
15	2008	83	F	Spleen	DLBCL	CL (2007)	LN	Clonal FR2	ND	·····	+	+	ABC
17	2008	22	M	large bowel	DLBCL	GE (2007)	Small intestine	Clonal ER3		+		+	GCB
18	2008	73	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL		LN	Polyclonal FR2	-		+		ABC
19	2008	58	М	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		Abnominal Mass	Clonal FR2	-	+	-	+	GCB
20	2008	62	М	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	+	-	-	+	GCB
21	2008	55	M	Inguinal mass	DLBCL		Inguinal mass	Clonal FR2			-	+	GCB
22	2008	80 53	M	Libial mass	DLBCL		Pretibial Mass	Clonal FR2			+	+	ABC
24	2008	72	M	Axillary I N	DIBCI		IN	Clonal FR2		+		+	GCB
25	2008	71	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	ND	-	ND	-	ABC
26	2008	69	F	Spleen	DLBCL		Spleen	Clonal FR2	-	-	ND	ND	ND
27	2008	72	М	Cervical LN	DLBCL		Lateral Cervical Node	Clonal FR2			ND	ND	ND
28	2008	64	F	Mesenteric LN	DLBCL	(0000)	LN	Clonal FR2	-		+	ND	ABC
29	2008	50	F	Supraclavicular I N	DLBCL	HL (2002)	Pharynx Mass	Clonal FR2	ND +			+	GCB
31	2009	45	M	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2		+		+	GCB
32	2009	80	М	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	ND	ABC
33	2009	75	М	Cervical LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3	+	+	+	+	GCB
34	2009	72	<u>F</u>	aortic mass	DLBCL			Polyclonal FR2	ļ <del>.</del>	ļ <del>.</del>	+	<del>.</del>	ABC
35	2009	11 60	F	Supraciavicular LN			LIN	Cional FR2	+	+	IND +		GCB ARC
30	2009	09 75	г М	Spleen	DLBCL		Spleen	Clonal FR2	+	+	- T.	+	GCB
38	2009	55	F	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		Abnominal Mass	Clonal FR3			+		ABC
39	2009	76	F	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2		+	+	+	GCB
40	2009	25	F	Small intestine	DLBCL		jejunum	Clonal FR2	ND	+	ND	ND	GCB
41	2009	72	M	Lung mass	DLBCL	MZL (2001)	LN	Clonal FR2			+	·····	ABC
42	2009	62 74	F	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		Jejunum Paritonaal Nodas	Clonal FR3		- +	+	+ ND	ABC
44	2009	56	M	Inquinal I N	DIBCI		I N	Clonal FR2	-	+		+	GCB
45	2009	60	M	Vertebral mass	DLBCL		Incisional Biopsy	Clonal FR2	-	+	-	+	GCB
46	2009	89	F	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	-	+	+	+	GCB
47	2009	64	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3			-		ND
48	2009	70	M	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	·····	+	+	+	GCB
49	2009	72	F	Inquinal LN	DLBCL			Clonal FR3			+		ABC
51	2009	70	F	Cervical I N	DIBCI		IN	Clonal FR2	-	+	+	+	GCB
52	2009	85	М	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3	-	-	+	-	ABC
53	2010	70	М	Supraclavicular LN	DLBCL		LN	Polyclonal FR2	-	-	+	+	ABC
54	2010	54	M	Supraclavicular LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3			+	+	ABC
55	2010	62	- F	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2		+	+	ND	GCB
57	2010	81	M	Supraclavicular LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3			+	+	ABC
58	2010	53	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL	FL (2000)	LN	ND	+	-	-	+	GCB
59	2010	62	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	ND	-	+	+	ABC
60	2010	83	M	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2					ND
61	2010	61 60	M	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2			ND	+	ND
63	2010	57	M	Supraclavicular I N	DLBCL		I N	Clonal FR1 FR2 FR3	+		+	+	ABC
64	2010	71	F	Stomach	DLBCL		Stomach	Clonal FR1 FR2 FR3	+	-	+	+	ABC
65	2010	63	F	Skin	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	ND	-	+	ND	ABC
66	2010	63	М	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR1 FR2 FR3		+	ND	+	GCB
67	2005	70	М	Lung mass	DLBCL		Lung biopsy	Clonal FR2		+	ND	ND	GCB
68	2006	66	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL		Axillary Mass	Cional FR2	+		+	ND	ABC
69	2005	50	M	Spleen	DLBCL		spieen	Cional FR3	+	ļ	ND	<del>-</del>	ABC
70	2006	/9	<u>-</u>	Cervical LN	DLBCL			Cional FR3		ļ	+	+	ABC
/1	2006	83	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL			Clonal FR3	ļ	ļ	ND	NU	NU
72	2005	00 4.4	M	Crivical LN	DLBCL				-	ļ	+		ABC
73	2000	44 50	. г М	Conviced LN	DLBCL	CLL (2004)		Clonal EP?	ND	++	+		UCB ND
74	2000	20	M			OLL (2004)	LIN I N	Clonal FR3				עאי +	
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77	2000	76	F	Mediastinal I N	DLBCL	II (2001)	 I N	Clonal FR2	ND		ND	ND	
78	2006	49	F	Cervical I N	DI BCI	(2001)	Lateral Cervical Mode	Clonal FR3	-		ND	ND	ND
79	2006	80	M	Supraclavicular I N	DI BCI		IN	Clonal FR3			+	-	ABC
80	2006	80	 F	Inquinal I N	DLBCI		LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	+	ABC
81	2006	68	F	Supraclavicular I N	DI BCI		LN	Polyclonal FR?	·····		+	+	ABC
82	2005	64	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL		Abdominal Mass	Clonal FR2	+	-	+	+	ABC
83	2006	67	М	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	ND	ND	ND
84	2006	71	F	Supraclavear LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	-	+	ND	+	GCB
85	2006	75	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL	DLBCL (2000)	LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	-	ABC
86	2005	61	М	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		Retroperitoneal Mass	Clonal FR2	+	+	ND	+	GCB
87	2006	53	М	Spleen	DLBCL		Spleen	Clonal FR3	ND	-	ND	ND	ND
88	2005	52	М	Inguinal LN	DLBCL		LN	Polyclonal FR2	-	-	+	-	ABC
89	2006	77	F	Spleen	DLBCL		Spleen	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	+	ABC
90	2006	44	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	ND	ND	+	+	+	GCB
91	2006	49	М	Abdominal mass	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	ND	-	+	+	ABC
92	2006	48	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR2	-	-	+	+	ABC
93	2006	69	F	Supraclavear LN	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3	ND	-	+	+	ABC
94	2010	50	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL w/FL c		Bulk Mass	Clonal FR2	-	+	ND	+	GCB
95	2010	37	F	Axillary LN	DLBCL w/FL c		LN	Polyclonal FR2	+	+	-	+	GCB
96	2010	50	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL	MZL (2010)	LN	Clonal FR3	ND	-	+	-	ABC
97	2010	38	F	Cervical LN	DLBCL w/MZL c		LN	Clonal FR3	ND	-	+	-	ABC
98	2010	72	F	Thyroid gland	DLBCL		Thyroid Nodule	Clonal FR3	-	+	+	+	GCB
99	2010	60	М	Skin	DLBCL		LN	Clonal FR3	+	+	ND	+	GCB
100	2010	76	м	inquinal I N	DI BCI		IN	Clonal FR3	-		+	+	ABC

### **Supplementary Table 1**

Genomic DNA from 100 DLBCL patients was obtained from the archives of the Department of Biomedical Sciences and Human Oncology of the University of Torino and San Giovanni Battista Hospital (Turin, Italy) after approval by the Institutional Review Board. DLBCL lymphoma patients are listed according to clinical features (sex, age, and site of origin), clonality of the Immunoglobulin heavy chain gene (*IgH*), and *BCL2-IgH* gene rearrangements by PCR using a PCR technique that amplifies the major breakpoint region site of the *BCL2* gene. Of the 100 samples analyzed, 87 were primary DLBCLs and 13 were relapses or transformations of a previous lymphoma. DLBCLs were stratified into Germinal Center (GCB)- or Activated B-cell (ABC)-type by immunohistochemistry with antibodies to CD10, BCL6, and MUM1/IRF4, according to the classification proposed by Hans *et al.*<sup>11</sup>. Abbreviations: GL (Gastric Lymphoma), MZL (Marginal Zone Lymphoma), LL (Chronic Lymphoblastic Lymphoma), IL (Immunoblastic Lymphoma), LN (Lymph Node), DLBCL w/FL c (DLBCL with FL component), DLBCL w/MZL c (DLBCL with MZL component), ND (Not Determined).

cell line/tumor sample	changes in the BCL6 locus	
OCI-LY1	gain in 3q21-3q29 and one mutation in BSE1*	
FARAGE	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	
НТ	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	
MHHPREB1	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	
CASE#15	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	
CASE#21	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	
CASE#30	no translocations or mutations in BSE1	
CASE#95	no translocations and no mutations in BSE1	

### **Supplementary Table 2**

Cell lines and DLBCL samples with FBX011 dysregulation were analyzed for BCL6 translocations (using FISH) and mutations in the BCL6 promoter [BCL6 binding site in exon 1 (BSE1)], which makes BCL6 insensitive to its negative autoregulation<sup>12,13</sup>. The only cases in which BCL6 and *FBX011* dysregulation coexist is in OCI-LY1 cells, in which we found one mutation in the BSE1 motif (TTC to TCC in position +256-258 from the BCL6 promoter), as previously reported for this cell line<sup>12,13</sup>. Moreover, OCI-LY1 cells have an extra copy of BCL6. Although the co-occurrence of BCL6 and *FBX011* alterations in the same cell line may seem counterintuitive, cooperation between two independent genetic events is consistent with previous observations. For example, in Burkitt's and other lymphomas, high levels of c-Myc are achieved via both increased transcription (due to translocations of the *c-myc* gene to the immunoglobulin loci) and escape from ubiquitin-mediated degradation (through mutation of the c-Myc phosphodegron)<sup>14,15</sup>. Similarly, mutations in *Huwe1*, encoding an ubiquitin ligase targeting N-Myc, coexist with N-myc gene amplification in human glioblasomas<sup>16</sup>. Because oncoproteins often display short half-lives, their accumulation in tumor cells may require both increased synthesis and stabilization by a secondary event (*i.e.* mutation of the degron or an independent loss of the gene encoding their ubiquitin ligase).

#### PRIMERS FOR FBX011 GENOMIC DNA AMPLIFICATION AND SEQUENCING

FBXO11-Ex1-2F FBX011-Ex3F FBXO11-Ex4F FBXO11-Ex5-6F FBXO11-Ex7-8F FBXO11-Ex9-10F FBXO11-Ex11F FBXO11-Ex12F FBXO11-Ex13F FBXO11-Ex14-15F FBX011-Fx16F FBXO11-Ex17F FBXO11-Ex18F FBXO11-Ex19F FBXO11-Ex20F FBXO11-Ex21-22F FBX011-Ex3-SeqF FBXO11-Ex4-SeaF FBXO11-Ex9-10-SeqF FBXO11-Ex9-10-SeqR FBXO11-Ex14-SeqR FBXO11-Ex17-SeqF

CTCCCTCCCGAATTTGAAG TGTGTTACCCATGAAACCCAC TCTAGCCTGGATGACAGTGAGAC GAAACCCTGTTCTTTGTTTCTGG AGCAAAGGCTGATGATGAAA ACACCACAATGCACACCACT GCCCAGCCTTAAATGTTTCTAATAC TGAAGAAATTGAGGCCTTAGAAGT GCCTGCAGCTCTCTGCATC TGCCATTACCTCCTTACTCGG TTCTCAGGGCATCTTGGACTC CCACTGCACACTCCAGCC TGGAGATGGCAGATTATTGGTC ACTGTTGGTGGTTGAAATAGGTATC GCTTTGGTTCTAAATGGTTGGAG GGTCCTCTTAAAGCCAAAGGTC CATTAGATAAAATGAAAACTG TCTTACTCAAGTTTTTGAGGC GACTATATATAACAGATCATG CATTATCCTCATATATTCCC AAAGCTTTTTCAAGGGACAAG AAATATACCTTCTAGATAACC

FBXO11-Ex1-2R FBXO11-Ex3R FBXO11-Ex4R FBXO11-Ex5-6R FBXO11-Ex7-8R FBXO11-Ex9-10R FBXO11-Ex11R FBXO11-Ex12R FBXO11-Ex13R FBXO11-Ex14-15R FBXO11-Ex16R FBXO11-Ex17R FBXO11-Ex18R FBXO11-Ex19R FBXO11-Ex20R FBX011-Ex21-22R

AAAGTCAGAGGGAGAGGGTCAGG CCGACTITCCTACCATGTTTAGC CGCCCAGCCTAAACTTATTTC TCTTCATTCCTACTTTACCAGCAG GGACATGCTCCTTGACCACT GAACGCTATCACCTCTACATGG CAATAGCTATGGCTCATTCAGATG TCAGTGCTTCCACTTGGGTAG TTAAGATACTGGCAGGGAGAAGAAG CCAGTGGCTTCTGTCCTCAC GTGATCCACCCATCTCGG GGCACTAATCTCCTAAACCAGTTC CATTCAGCCACTTCAGCACAC TCCAACCATTTAGAACCAAAGC ACCACGCCTACCCACAGTTAC ACCCAGCTTTGAGATCCTGAG

#### PRIMERS FOR GENE COPY NUMBER ANALYSIS

		FWD	REV
FBXO11_probe #1	CHR_2(26965666-26965733)	CTCCATGACCACCACTCCTT	ATGACACAGCCCTCATCTCC
FBXO11_probe #2	CHR_2(26864659-26864712)	ACTTGGCCAATTTCAACCAG	TCAGACCCCCAATTTCAGAG
CHR5_probe #1	CHR_5 (217588-217670)	CGGATCGTTAATTTGCAGGT	GTCTCCTCCCACCACACACT
CHR5_probe #2	CHR_5(244549-244638)	GCAACAGAAGAAGCCCTTTG	ACGAGCTCCACACTGACCTT
CHR6_probe #2	CHR_6(33230146-33230235)	ACTGTTGGGAGGGAACCTCT	TCAAACAAGTCAACCCCACA
CHR12_probe #1	CHR_12(6585217-6585317)	GCTTGCCCTGTCCAGTTAAT	TAGCTCAGCTGCACCCTTTA
CHR12_probe #2	CHR_12(6587237-6587298)	AGGGCCCTGACAACTCTTT	CCCTGTTGCTGTAGCCAAAT

#### PRIMERS FOR QPCR ANALYSIS OF mRNA

	FWD	REV
hFBXO11	GATGGACGAGGCCTTATTGA	TGTTATGCCGAACAATTGGA
hIRF4	CACTTGTGTGTGCGTGTCAG	TGACTGGAGAGCAATGAACG
hRPS13	CAGTCGGCTTTACCCTATCG	CCCTTCTTGGCCAGTTTGTA
hGAPDH	TGCACCACCAACTGCTTAGC	GGCATGGACTGTGGTCATGAG
hSDHA	TACAAGGTGCGGATTGATGA	GGTGTGCTTCCTCCAGTGCT

#### **Targeting Sequences of siRNA oligos**

GUAAAUUGUAGCCCUAUUA
AAUAGUGACCCAACAAUAA
GAAAGUUGCAAUAUACACA
GCAAUGCAUUAGCAGGAAU
CGUACGCGGAAUACUUCGA
UGGUUUACAUGUCGACUAA

#### **Targeting Sequences of shRNAs**

FBXO11 shRNAs #1	GAGTTTACATCTTTGGTGA
FBXO11 shRNAs #2	CAATTGTTCGGCATAACAA
FBXO11 shRNAs #3	TGGATTAAGACAGATAGTA
FBXO11 shRNAs #4	AGGCTGTTAGTAGAGGCCA
FBXO11 shRNAs #5	AGATAGTAATCCTACACTA

#### Supplementary Table 3

Primers, siRNAs and shRNAs sequences used in this study.

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