Supplemental Information

Genetic perturbations direct the development of distinct brain tumor types from postnatal neural stem/progenitor cells

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Figure S1

Representative macroscopic images (left hand side) and microscopic hematoxylin eosin stained paraffin sections (right hand side) of brain tumors, which developed upon transplantation of neural stem/progenitor cells over-expressing *HRAS* or *MYC* in combination with *Bmi1* or *Ezh2*. Three secondary tumors (first, third and fourth panel) and one primary tumor (second panel) are shown. Arrowheads point to giant cells. Scale bars: 50 μ m.



Figure S2

Hematoxylin eosin (HE) stained and immunohistochemistry images of original (mother) and respective daughter tumors which developed upon over-expression of *MYC* in glioma tumors (A,B) or of *HRAS* in CNS PNET tumors (C,D). Paraffin-embedded tumor sections were stained with antibodies against tenascin C (TNC), vimentin (VIM), GFAP, Cytokeratin (CK), SPP1, and ELAVL3/4. [+] Staining of a few tumor cells. V indicates blood vessel. Scale bars: $50 \ \mu m$.

А	Original Glioma 1 (HRAS)	Daughter tumor 1a (+MYC)	Daughter tumor 1b (+MYC)
HE			13
TNC			
VIM			
GFAP			
СК			And the second second
SPP1			
ELAVL 3/4			

	Original glioma 1	Daughter tumor 1a	Daughter tumor 1b	
TNC	+	· ·	-	
VIM	+	+	+	
GFAP	2.20	67-0		
СК				
SPP1	+	+	+	
ELAVL3/4		-	-	

В	Original Glioma 2 (HRAS)	Daughter tumor 2a (+MYC)	Daughter tumor 2b (+MYC)
HE			
TNC			
VIM			
GFAP			
СК			
SPP1			
ELAVL 3/4			

	Original glioma 2	Daughter tumor 2a	Daughter tumor 2b
TNC	+	+	+
VIM	+	+	+
GFAP	-		
ск		1	-
SPP1	+	+	+
ELAVL3/4	-	12	



	Original PNET 1	Daughter tumor 1b	Daughter tumor 1c
TNC	-	-	-
VIM	- (only blood vessels +)	+	+
GFAP	[+]		[+]
ск	51 KG	[+]	[+]
SPP1	-	+	+
ELAVL3/4	+	-	-



_	Original PNET 2	Daughter tumor 1b	Daughter tumor 1c
TNC	-		
VIM	- (only blood vessels +)	+	+
GFAP	[+]	[+]	[+]
CK		[+]	[+]
SPP1	-	+	+
ELAVL3/4	+		-

File S1 (separate file)

Gene sets used in this study.

Table S1

Overview of tumor samples used for microarray experiments. Tumors developed upon transplantation of p53-deficient postnatal neural stem/progenitor cells over-expressing different gene combinations.

Initial combinatorial perturbation experiments					
Gene combination	Array sample number	Transplantation	Transplanted cell number		
HRAS + MYC	15	Secondary	50		
HRAS + MYC	16	Secondary	50		
HRAS + MYC	17	Primary	300000		
HRAS + MYC	18	Primary	300000		
HRAS + MYC	14	Primary	300000		
HRAS + MYC	4	Primary	300000		
HRAS + MYC	3	Primary	300000		
MYC + Ezh2	1	Primary	300000		
MYC + Ezh2	5	Secondary	50		
MYC + Ezh2	8	Primary	300000		
MYC + Ezh2	19	Primary	300000		
MYC + Ezh2	20	Secondary	50		
MYC + Bmi1	6	Secondary	5000		
MYC + Bmi1	21	Secondary	5000		
MYC + Bmi1	7	Secondary	5000		
HRAS + Bmi1	22	Primary	300000		
HRAS + Bmi1	9	Primary	300000		
HRAS	23	Primary	300000		
HRAS	2	Secondary	50		
HRAS	10	Primary	300000		
HRAS	24	Secondary	50		
MYC	11	Primary	300000		
MYC	12	Primary	300000		
MYC	25	Primary	300000		
MYC	13	Secondary	50		
MYC	26	Tertiary	50		
Consecutive perturbation experiments	5				
Gene combination	Array sample number	Transplantation	Transplanted cell number		
HRAS (Glioma 2)	49	Primary	500000		
Additional MYC (daughter 2a)	52	Secondary	5000		
Additional MYC (daughter 2b)	53	Secondary	5000		
MYC (PNET 1)	48	Primary	500000		
Additional HRAS (daughter 1a)	50	Secondary	5000		
Additional HRAS (daughter 1b)	51	Secondary	5000		

Table S2 (separate file):

Six groups of genes (A-F), which show the highest correlation to one of the three tumor types.

Table S3 (separate file):

ER stress relation of Group A genes (higher expressed in AT/RT-like cells as compared to glioma and PNET cells).

Table S4 (separate file):

ER stress relation of genes up-regulated in mouse embryonic fibroblasts upon deletion of the AT/RT tumor suppressor gene *Snf5* and also up-regulated in human AT/RT (SNF5KO_GS_UP genes, Isakoff et al., 2005)

Table S5:

Gene set enrichment analysis to identify molecular signatures of pathways that correlate best to the gene expression profile of the three tumor types (vs = versus). Results with a family wise error rate (FWER) below 0.01 are shown. NES = absolute normalized enrichment score.

	Gene Set (GS)	GS SIZE	NES	FWER p-value
PNET			•	
vs AT/RT-like	-	-	-	-
vs Glioma	HSA03010_RIBOSOME	64	2.32	0.000
	MRNA_PROCESSING_REACTOME	98	2.00	0.008
Glioma			•	
vs AT/RT-like	GPCRDB_OTHER	47	2.06	0.000
vs PNET	HSA04510_FOCAL_ADHESION	186	2.22	0.000
	HSA04512_ECM_RECEPTOR_INTERACTION	80	2.19	0.000
	INTEGRIN_MEDIATED_CELL_ADHESION_KEGG	89	2.07	0.000
	PROSTAGLANDIN_SYNTHESIS_REGULATION	27	2.06	0.000
	HSA01430_CELL_COMMUNICATION	119	2.00	0.000
	BLOOD_CLOTTING_CASCADE	18	1.98	0.000
	HSA05222_SMALL_CELL_LUNG_CANCER	83	1.97	0.000
	HSA04060_CYTOKINE_CYTOKINE_RECEPTOR_INTERACTION	212	1.95	0.001
	CCMX_INTEGRINCELLADH	172	1.94	0.003
	BREAST CANCER ESTROGEN SIGNALING	83	1.92	0.005
	HSA05120_EPITHELIAL_CELL_SIGNALING_IN_HELICOBACTER_PYLO			
	RI_INFECTION	65	1.91	0.005
	HSA04640_HEMATOPOIETIC_CELL_LINEAGE	64	1.90	0.005
	HSA04620_TOLL_LIKE_RECEPTOR_SIGNALING_PATHWAY	95	1.90	0.005
AT/RT-like				
vs Glioma	HSA00970_AMINOACYL_TRNA_BIOSYNTHESIS	36	2.18	0.000
	DNA_REPLICATION_REACTOME	41	2.11	0.001
vs PNET	BREAST_CANCER_ESTROGEN_SIGNALING	83	2.08	0.000
	HSA04640_HEMATOPOIETIC_CELL_LINEAGE	64	2.04	0.000
	HSA01430_CELL_COMMUNICATION	119	2.02	0.000
	HSA04060_CYTOKINE_CYTOKINE_RECEPTOR_INTERACTION	212	2.00	0.002
	PROSTAGLANDIN_SYNTHESIS_REGULATION	27	1.95	0.003
	HSA04620_TOLL_LIKE_RECEPTOR_SIGNALING_PATHWAY	95	1.93	0.005
	BLOOD_CLOTTING_CASCADE	18	1.92	0.006

Supplemental experimental procedures

Animal procedures

In the pilot study, female and male 4-8 weeks old wild-type C57Bl/6 mice were used for transplantations, for the main study female 4-8 weeks old wild-type C57Bl/6 mice received intracranial cell transplants. Mice were anesthetized by intraperitoneal injection of ketamine/xylazine solution. Cell concentrations were determined with CASY cell counter (CASY-TT; Innovatis; Reutlingen, Germany) or in case of lower cell numbers by a Hemacytometer. In case of 1000 or more transplanted cells, cells were harvested by centrifugation and resuspended in 3 μ L PBS. In case of lower transplanted cell numbers, cells were injected in a 2-5 μ l suspension in neurosphere medium. Injections were performed with 10 μ L gastight Hamilton syringes (blunt end 26G needles; Hamilton Bonaduz AG, Switzerland) into the right frontal brain lobe (2 mm lateral/1 mm anterior to the bregma, and 3 mm depth).

Transplanted mice of the pilot study were monitored for 6 months, mice of the main study for 8 months. Animals which showed symptoms such as ataxia, reduced movements or seizures were sacrificed and brains were isolated. Macroscopic brain images were taken with a Nikon Coolpix 4500 camera. A part of the tumor tissue was removed to isolate tumor cells by FACS. The remaining brain tissue was used for paraffin and cryosections. All animal procedures were performed with consent from the ethical committee at Lund University.

Viral vectors and transduction

Human *c-Myc* was kindly provided by Rogier Versteeg, human V¹² Ha-Ras cDNA was obtained by PCR using genomic DNA from RasB8 mice (kindly provided by Abhijit Guha: Ding et al.). To generate mouse Bmi1, Ezh2, and FoxM1 cDNA, RNA was isolated from neurosphere cultures that were established from postnatal wt mouse LVW tissue, reversetranscribed and used as a template for PCR with gene-specific primers. 6x10⁶ cells of the ecotropic retroviral packaging cell line EcoPack2-293 (Clontech) were plated in 12 ml DMEM medium per T75 CellBind tissue culture flasks (Corning). The DMEM medium contained 1g/L glucose (Lonza), 10% FBS, 1 mM sodium pyruvate (both from Biochrom), 4 mM Glutamine, 100 units/mL Penicillin/Streptomycin (Invitrogen), and 2.5µg/mL Amphotericin B (PAA). 18-24h later, the medium was changed to transfection medium (DMEM medium as above with 25 µM chloroquine), and cells were transfected by the calcium phosphate method (as described in Mangassarian et al. 1999). After 16h, the medium was removed, cells were briefly treated with 15% glycerol in HeBS (25 mM HEPES, 140 mM NaCl, 0.75 mM Na₂HPO₄, all from Sigma), and grown in neurosphere medium for 48h. Cell supernatant was harvested. filtered by passing through a 0.45 µm PVDF membrane filter (Millipore) to remove remaining EcoPack2-293 cells and debris, and concentrated by centrifugation (2h, 2000x g). Viral pellets were resuspended in a final volume of 1 mL neurosphere medium containing 4 µg/mL polybrene (Sigma Aldrich) and applied to 3x10⁶ dissociated neurosphere cells per gene combination in 15 mL Falcon tubes for 4h at 37°C and 5% CO₂. The neurosphere cells were then harvested by centrifugation, resuspended in 15 mL fresh neurosphere medium without polybrene, seeded into T75 flasks with UltraLowAttachment surface (Corning), kept at 37°C and 5% CO₂, and FACS sorted after approximately 7 days.

RT-PCR

For cDNA synthesis, 2 μ g of total RNA were incubated with 5 μ l 10 mM dNTPs (Fermentas, Burlington, Canada) and 2.5 μ L random primers (500ng/ μ L) in a 35 μ l reaction volume at 70°C for 5 min followed by a short incubation on ice and reverse transcription at 37°C for 60 min upon addition of 200 U M-MLV reverse transcriptase (Promega, Madison, WI), 0.5 U RNAsin (Promega), and 10 μ l 5x M-MLV reaction buffer (Promega) to a final reaction volume

of 50 μ L. 2 μ L of this solution were used as template in a 50 μ L polymerase chain reaction (PCR) with 0.4 μ M of the forward and reverse primers.

Reaction conditions for the amplification of oncogene sequences were: 35 cycles (94°C for 45 sec, 55°C for 45 sec, 72°C for 45 sec). The following forward primers were used:

mEzh2_end_for (ATGGTGACCACAGGATAGGC)

mFoxM1_end_for (TTTCAGCCAACCGTTCTCTC)

Ha-Ras_end_for (GGATGCCTTCTACACGTTGG)

H_cMyc_end_for (AAAGGCCCCCAAGGTAGTTA), and

Bmi1_for (AGGTGTTCCCTCCACCTCT).

CMMP 3' end rev (CGGATCCCCTGATCCTC) was used as a reverse primer.

For the XBP1 PCR, primers hXBP1_Fw (GGAGTTAAGACAGCGCTTGG) and hXBP1_Rv (ACTGGGTCCAAGTTGTCCAG) were used. Reaction conditions were: 30 cycles (94°C for 45 sec, 61°C for 45 sec, 72°C for 90 sec).

Immunohistochemistry

Paraffin sections were rehydrated, boiled in citrate buffer (10 mM Sodium citrate, 0.05% Tween-20; pH6.0) for antigen retrieval, incubated in 0.35% H₂O₂, and blocked with 5% donkey serum/PBS. Primary antibodies were applied in PBS for 16h at 4°C (PBS only served Biotin-conjugated secondary as negative control); antibodies (1:500; Jackson Immunoresearch, West Grove, PA) were applied for 90 mins at room temperature. The R.T.U vectastain kit and DAB peroxidase substrate were used according to the manufacturer's instructions (VectorLabs, Burlingame, CA). Finally, the tissue sections were counterstained with Haematoxylin, dehydrated, and embedded in Entellan. The following primary antibodies were used: anti-BAF47 (SMARCB1/SNF5; 1/100; BD Biosciences, San Diego, CA), anti-pan-Cytokeratin (1:100; DAKO, Glostrup, Denmark), anti-glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP; 1:500, DAKO), anti-human neuronal protein HuC/HuD (ELAVL3/4; 1:400; Molecular Probes/Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA), anti-Tenascin (1:400; kind gift of A. Faissner; Ruhr-University, Bochum, Germany), anti-Osteopontin/SPP1 (1:400; R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN), anti-Vimentin (1:400; Progen Biotechnik, Heidelberg, Germany). Images of paraffin sections were taken with an Olympus BX50 camera or ScanScope scanner. Images of 10 µm cryosections were taken with an Axiovert 200M microscope using AxioVision 4.5 software (Zeiss).

Western blot analysis

Cells were harvested at 50-70% confluency, pelleted by centrifugation, and dissolved in RIPA buffer (10 mM Tris/HCI (pH 7.5), 1 mM EDTA, 1% Triton X-100, 0.1% SDS, 0.1% sodium deoxycholate, 100 mM NaCI) supplemented with protease inhibitors (2mM PMSF and 1x Complete Mini, Roche). Supernatants were collected, protein concentrations were determined using the BCA assay (Pierce/Thermo Scientific), and proteins were separated in a 10% SDS-polyacrylamide gel. Western blotting followed standard protocols using nitrocellulose membranes (Amersham/GE Healthcare). Signal intensities were analyzed with ImageJ (http://rsb.info.nih.gov/ij/).

Culture of human cell lines

The CHLA-02-ATRT cell line was obtained from ATCC and kept in neurosphere medium (see experimental procedures). The human malignant rhabdoid tumor cell line LM (provided by Rupert Handgretinger, Tuebingen, Germany) was kept according to Versteege et al. (Nature 1998). DAOY medulloblastoma cells (provided by Michael Grotzer, Zurich, Switzerland) were kept in EMEM (Lonza) supplemented with 10% FBS (Biochrom), 2 mM glutamine, 100 units/mL Penicillin/Streptomycin (Invitrogen), and 2.5 µg/mL Amphotericin B (PAA). SW1783 and Hs683 glioma cell lines (provided by Matthias Simon, Bonn, Germany) and were kept in DAOY medium with 1 mM sodium pyruvate, MEM non essential amino

acids, and MEM vitamin solution (all from Invitrogen). MCF7-SNF5-KD#73 cells (Xu et al., 2010) were cultured in DMEM (4.5g/L glucose, Invitrogen), 10% FBS (Tet System Approved, Clontech), 2 mM glutamine, and 100 units/mL Penicillin/Streptomycin (Invitrogen). For the knockdown of SMARCB1, tetracycline (1 μ g/mL) was added on day 1 and 3, and cells harvested at day 4. At day 4, cells were treated with DTT (5 mM) or Thapsigargin (5 μ M). All cells were kept in T75 tissue culture flasks (Techno Plastic Products, Switzerland).

Apoptosis assay

500,000 MCF7-SNF5-KD#73 cells (Xu et al., 2010) were plated into T75 tissue culture flasks (Techno Plastic Products, Switzerland). For knockdown experiments, tetracycline (1 μ g/mL) was added on day 1 and day 3. In case of Bortezomib-treated cells, the drug (final concentration 10 nM) was added for 12 hours on day 4 (at 70-85% confluency). Cells were carefully washed with PBS and dissociated by trypsinization. Aliquots of single cell suspensions containing 1x10⁵ cells in 100 μ L PBS were stained with AnnexinV-APC and 7AAD according to the manufacturer's instructions (BD Biosciences) for 15 min at RT. Subsequently, 400 μ L of AnnexinV binding buffer was added (10 mM Hepes, 140 mM NaCl and 2.5 mM CaCl₂), cell suspensions were placed on ice and immediately analyzed with a FACSCalibur flow cytometer (BD Biosciences). The data analysis was performed using the FlowJo software (Tree Star). For statistical analyses, an unpaired t-test was conducted using Prism 5.0 (GraphPad, LaJolla, CA, USA).