



Figure S1 Aromatase inhibitor resistance acquired by the Res-Let is not due to an impaired activity of the aromatase or to an altered ERα expression or functionality. (A) Aromatase activity in MCF-7aro and Res-Let cell lines. AD, 4-androstenedione. (B) Western-blot analysis of Phospho-ser167 ERα, phospho-ser118 ERα and total ERα protein expression in MCF-7aro and Res-Let cells. Representative image from three independent cell lysates. (C) Relative luciferase activity of MCF-7aro and Res-Let cell lines in response to 17β -estradiol (E₂, 10^{-9} M), fulvestrant (10^{-7} M) or a combination of E₂ + fulvestrant. Histograms represent the ratio of firefly value normalized to renilla value (mean ± SD of three independent experiments).