

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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RNA extraction and quantitative PCR

Nuclear/cytoplasmic fractionation was performed as described (Harrow et al., 2012). RNA from nuclear and cytoplasmic fractions or total RNA from GSCs and patients' tissues was extracted using TRIzol (Ambion). RNA from formalin fixed sections of mouse xenograft tumors was extracted with PureLink FFPE (Invitrogen) following the manufacturer's instructions. RNA was reverse-transcribed using iScript cDNA Synthesis Kit (BioRad) and gene expression analyzed by qPCR using Power SYBR Green PCR Master Mix (Applied Biosystems). List of primers used throughout the study:

Primer name	Primer sequence	Primer name	Primer sequence
18S For	AACTTTCGATGGTAGTCGCCG	LYN For	TTCCCTACCCAGGGAGAACT
18S Rev	CCTTGGATGTGGTAGCCGTTT	LYN Rev	CTGCCTTTTCTTTCCAGCAC
ADM For	GGTCGGACTCTGGTGTCTTC	MALAT1 For	AGCAGACACACGTATGCGAA
ADM Rev	GCTTGC GCGACTATTCCTTG	MALAT1 Rev	GTGGTTCCCAATCCCCACAT
BCL2A1 For	AAATTGCCCCGGATGTGGAT	MEG3 For	GCAGGATCTGGCATAGAGGA
BCL2A1 Rev	ACAAAGCCATTTTCCCAGCC	MEG3 Rev	TTGGCTGATGCAAGGAGAG
CAV2 For	CCTGCCTAATGGTTCTGCCT	MET For	TAGCCAACCGAGAGACAAGC
CAV2 Rev	CTCAGTTGCAGGCTGACAGA	MET Rev	TGTGCTCCCACCACTAATAAAAAG
CD133 For	GCAATCTCCCTGTTGGTGAT	NDRG1 For	GGCACCGTCCTTTCTTTCT
CD133 Rev	CCAGTTTCCGACTCCTTTTG	NDRG1 Rev	GAGTACGCGGGGCTACAAA
CD44 For	AAGGTGGAGCAAACACAACC	NDUFAF4 For	GACACCCCTCTACCAACAGC
CD44 Rev	CTTCTGCCACACCTTCTTC	NDUFAF4 Rev	ACCTGCAAGGAAGACACAGG
DHX9 For	GCCAATTTCTGGCAAAGCA	NEAT1 For	GCTTTGCTACAAGGTGGGGA
DHX9 Rev	CGAGGCTCAATGGGGAGTTT	NEAT1 Rev	CACCCCTCCCTTTGGTTCTC
DLEU2 For	CGGGTACTTATCTCCGACCTC	Nestin For	CCCCGTGGTCTCTTTTCTC
DLEU2 Rev	TCCAGGGAAGGATGTAGCTG	Nestin Rev	TCGTCTGACCCACTGAGGAT
EPAS1 For	GTCCACCCAGCTTCACTCTC	NOTCH1 For	TCACGCTGACGGAGTACAAG
EPAS1 Rev	GGCAAGTCTGCCAGGTAAGT	NOTCH1 Rev	GGCAGTGGCAGATGTAGGAG
ERO1A For	GGCTTCTGGTCAAGGGACAA	OLIG2 For	GTTCTCCCCTGAGGCTTTTC
ERO1A Rev	TGCTTGCATGTAGGCCAGATA	OLIG2 Rev	GGAAGATAGTCGTCGCAGCTT
FOSL1 For	GTCTTACCTACCCAGCAC	PFKP For	AAGTTCCTGGAGCACCTCTC
FOSL1 Rev	CTCACAAAGCGAGGAGGGTT	PFKP Rev	GTAGATACCCATGCGCACCA
GAS5 For	GGTATGGAGAGTCGGCTTGA	POPDC3 For	TGCACAACCTGGAAGCAAGA
GAS5 Rev	TGCATGCTTGCTTGTGTGG	POPDC3 Rev	AGAAAACCCAACCCAGCAA
GPR160 For	ACTTGC GCAAATGTCTCCGA	PRNCR1 For	TGCCATCTCCTGATCAACC
GPR160 Rev	TGTCTCTCCAGTGGGCTT	PRNCR1 Rev	TCTGAAGTTGTTGCGGTGCT
HIF1A For	TTCTTCTCTTCTCCGCGT	RMRP For	CACGTAGACATTCSSCGCTT
HIF1A Rev	TTTTCTTGTGTTCCGCGCC	RMRP Rev	CTGCCTGCGTAACTAGAGGG
HIF1AAS2 For	AAAGCTTGGGCAAATTATTCAS	SDC4 For	TACTTCTCCGGAGCCCTACC
HIF1AAS2 Rev	TGAATGGGATGAGTGAAGCA	SDC4 Rev	AACTTCAGGGCCGATCATGG
HMGA1 For	CAGCTTCTTCTGGGACTGG	SLC2A1 For	TGTGTATGCCACCATTTGGCT
HMGA1 Rev	GTGTAGTGTGGTGGTGAGGG	SLC2A1 Rev	CTAGCGCGATGGTCATGAGT
HMGA2 For	GCCCTCTCCTAAGAGACCCA	SOX2 For	CCTGATTCCAGTTTGCCTCT
HMGA2 Rev	CTGCCTCTTGGCCGTTTTTTC	SOX2 Rev	CAGCTCCGTCTCCATCATGT
IGF2 For	CGTCCCCTGATTGCTCTACC	TAF9B For	ATAGCAACCCACAAACGGT
IGF2 Rev	CGGCAGTTTTGCTCACTTCC	TAF9B Rev	GGTGTGGACTGAGAAGGTGG
IGF2BP2 For	ACACAGACACAGAAACCGCC	WT1 For	ACTCTTGTACGGTCCGGCATC
IGF2BP2 Rev	AACTGATGCCCCTTAGCTT	WT1 Rev	TCTCACCAGTGTGCTTCTCTG
IGFBP3 For	CGCCAGGAAATGCTAGTGAG	WT1-AS For	CCACCACCCCTCTACCTCTT
IGFBP3 Rev	AACTTGGGATCAGACACCCG	WT1-AS Rev	CCTACCCAGCCTCGATTTTT

In vivo Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Studies were performed using a 7.0T Bruker BioSpec USR (Bruker BioSpin Corp.) in the Small Animal Imaging Laboratory (SAIL) at the Brigham and Women's Hospital. Isoflurane was used as anesthetic at a

level of 1.5%, and heart and respiratory rates were monitored. Rapid acquisition with relaxation enhancement T2-weighted imaging was performed with the following parameters: echo time=8.8 ms, repetition time=6466 ms, field of view=2.5 cm x 2.5 cm, matrix size of 250 x 250, and a spatial resolution of 100 μm x 100 μm isotropic. The total scan time was 26 minutes and 43 seconds per animal. 3D reconstruction of animal brains was performed using Osirix Lite Version 7.0.

Cell assays

GSCs were plated in supplemented Neurobasal medium at the concentration of 40,000 cells/mL and incubated for 96 h. After incubation, cells were counted and analyzed for viability using the Muse Count & Viability Reagent on the Muse Cell Analyzer (Millipore) following the manufactures' instructions.

For spheroid formation GSCs were dissociated to single cells and plated at 500 cells/well in 96-well plate in 100 μl supplemented Neurobasal. Size of spheroids was quantified after 96 h using ImageJ. For limited dilution spheroid assay single cell suspension were plated in ultra-low attachment 96-well plates at different concentrations (from 1 to 500 cells per well) in 0.1ml of supplemented Neurobasal medium. Cultures were left undisturbed for 7 days. After incubation, spheres were imaged using a microscope Nikon eclipse Ti, percentage of wells not containing spheres for each cell concentration was calculated and plotted against the number of cells per well.

SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGEND

Figure S1. Supplementary to Figure 1.

A. Gene signature distinguishes proneural (blue) from mesenchymal (red) GSCs. Gene sets that vary coherently between GSCs were validated by qPCR data and used for subtype classification by clustering. Non classified GSCs and normal human astrocytes (AST) (black) are also shown.

B. GBM and GSC lncRNA profile distinguishes tumor (Tumor Tissue - TT) from normal tissue (matched Tissue Adjacent to brain Tumor - TAT) and proneural (blue) from mesenchymal (red) GSC subtypes. lncRNA sets that vary coherently between tissues (left) and GSCs (right) were identified by unsupervised clustering. Normal human astrocytes (AST) (black) are also shown.

C. Expression of selected lncRNAs in GSC validates the global profiling. Relative expression based on qPCR in proneural (blue) and mesenchymal (red) GSC is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD, * P value < 0.05, ns – non-significant P value.

Figure S2. Supplementary to Figure 2.

A. Knockdown of HIF1A-AS2 reduces viability of mesenchymal GSCs. Representative cell viability profiles are shown.

B. Knockdown of HIF1A-AS2 reduces GSC proliferation and viability. qPCR analysis (left) and cell number and percentage of dead cells (right) in mesenchymal (M) and proneural (P) GSC are shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD, * P value < 0.05, * P value < 0.01

C. Knockdown of HIF1A-AS2 results in gene expression rearrangement. Expression of 730 cancer-related genes in control and HIF1A-AS2 knockdown mesenchymal GSC (two single cell clones #1 and #2 were analyzed) were analyzed by unsupervised clustering (top panel). The mesenchymal (M) and proneural (P) GSC-specific genes were analyzed with HIF1A-AS2 knockdown signature by supervised clustering (bottom panel).

D. The gene expression analysis indicates diverse molecular modules deregulated in mesenchymal GSC upon HIF1A-AS2 knockdown and predict patient outcome. Genes significantly deregulated by HIF1A-AS2 knockdown in M GSCs were analyzed by Gene Ontology enrichment in indicated subcategories

E. Genes deregulated upon HIF1A-AS2 knockdown predict patient outcome. Survival analysis based on the impact of the prognostic index of multiple genes (See Supplementary Table 2) down-regulated by HIF1A-AS2 knockdown in mesenchymal (M) GSC is shown in full cohort and in classical (C), mesenchymal (M) and neural (N) subclasses.

F. Mesenchymal and proneural GSC responds to hypoxia *via* up-regulation of HIF1 α and EPAS1 proteins. QPCR (left) and Western blot (right) analysis is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

G. Effect of hypoxia on proliferation (left) and viability (right) of GSCs. Cell number and percentage of dead cells are shown. Proneural (P) GSC n=3, mesenchymal (M) GSC n=3. Data shown as mean \pm SD, * P value < 0.05.

H. HIF1A-AS2 is upregulated upon exposure to hypoxia in differentiated GBM cells. QPCR of GFAP (left) and HIF1A-AS2 (right) is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

I. Knockdown of HIF1A-AS2 reduces proliferation (left) and viability (right) of differentiated GBM cells. Cell number and percentage of dead cells are shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD, * P value < 0.05".**J.** Hypoxia-dependent induction of endogenous HIF1A-AS2 overcomes the shRNA effect. QPCR analysis is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

K. HIF1A-AS2 is localized predominantly in the nucleus. QPCR analysis of HIF1A-AS2, MALAT1 and GAPDH is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

Figure S3. Supplementary to Figure 3.

A. HIF1A-AS2 knockdown reduces tumor volume. Representative photographs of resected brains (left), consecutive MRI sections (middle) and 3D MRI reconstruction of brain tumor (right) 10 days post implantation are shown.

Figure S4. Supplementary to Figure 4.

A. HIF1A-AS2 interactome network regulate posttranscriptional regulation of gene expression and mRNA stabilization. HIF1A-AS2 partners were identified by pulldown/MS strategy. Networking was analyzed with STRING software (left) and Gene Ontology Biological processes (right)

B. DHX9 and IGF2BP2 are specific partners of HIF1A-AS2. Analysis of UV-crosslinked α -DHX9 RIP (left) and α -IGF2BP2 RIP (right). QPCR analysis on selected proneural (blue), mesenchymal (red) or non-subtype specific (black) lncRNAs in mesenchymal GSCs is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD, ** P value < 0.01.

C. Mesenchymal GSC overexpressed IGF2BP2 target genes correlate with mesenchymal subtype. Genes that vary coherently between proneural and mesenchymal GSCs from IGF2BP2 targets signature (n=277) were retrieved from TCGA GBM dataset and identified by class (classical (C), mesenchymal (M) and proneural (P) neural (N) subclasses) (top) and clustering (bottom).

D. HMGA1 and FOSL1 are targets of both HIF1A-AS2 interacting partners. Venn diagram depicting genes identified as IGF2BP2 targets and its expression in proneural (P) and mesenchymal (M) GSC (left) or its expression in HIF1A-AS2 and DHX9 knockdown (right).

E. Expression of DHX9 and IGF2BP2 downstream genes is up-regulated in mesenchymal GSCs. QPCR analysis of selected genes in proneural (P) and mesenchymal (M) GSCs (left) and in HIF1A-AS2 knockdown M GSCs (right) by qPCR is shown. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

F. Knockdown of HIF1A-AS2 in mesenchymal GSCs reduces levels of HMGA1 mRNA. QPCR analysis of selected genes in mesenchymal GSCs upon HIF1A-AS2 knockdown is shown. Expression is relative to control mesenchymal GSCs. Data shown as mean \pm SD.

G. HMGA1 is mesenchymal GSC-enriched factor. Western blot analysis of selected proteins in P and M GSCs is shown.

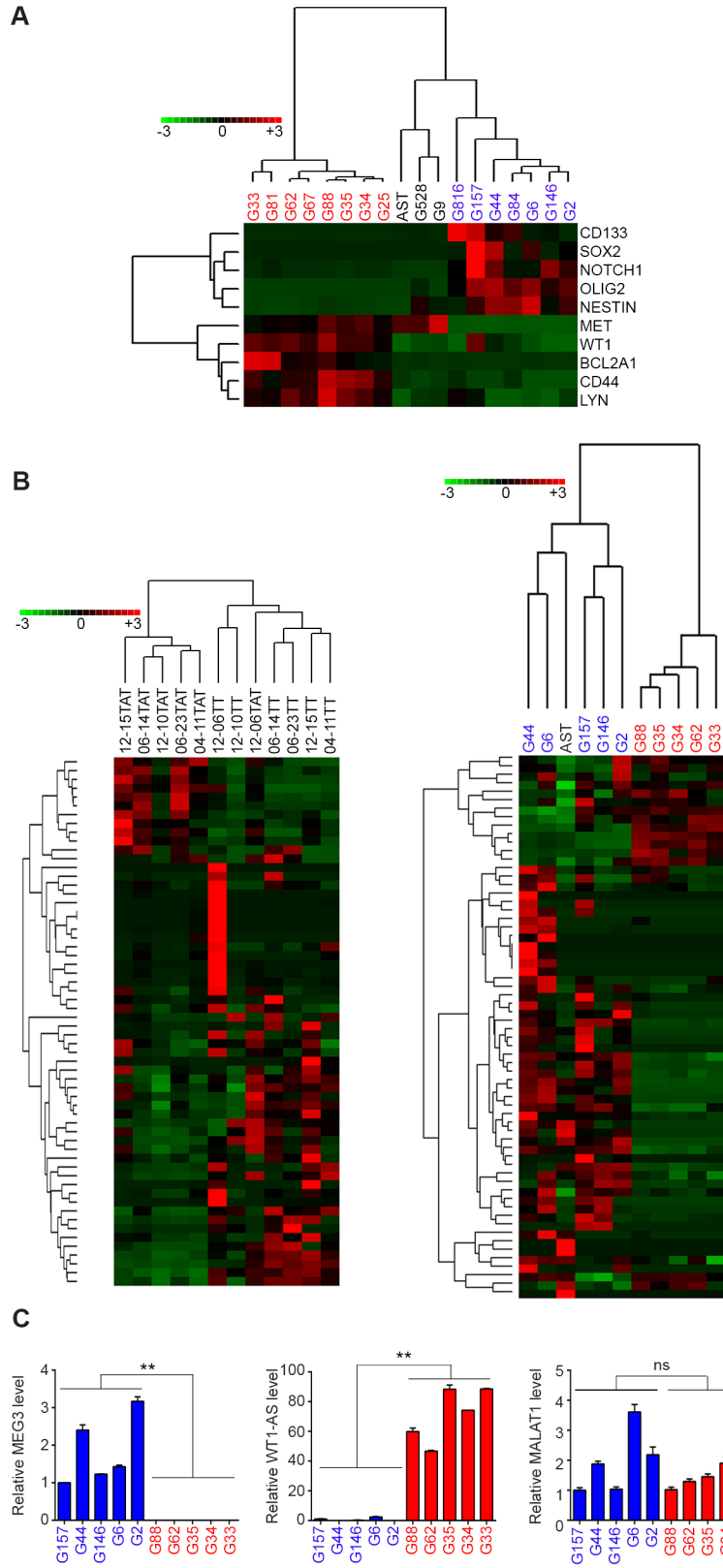


Figure S1

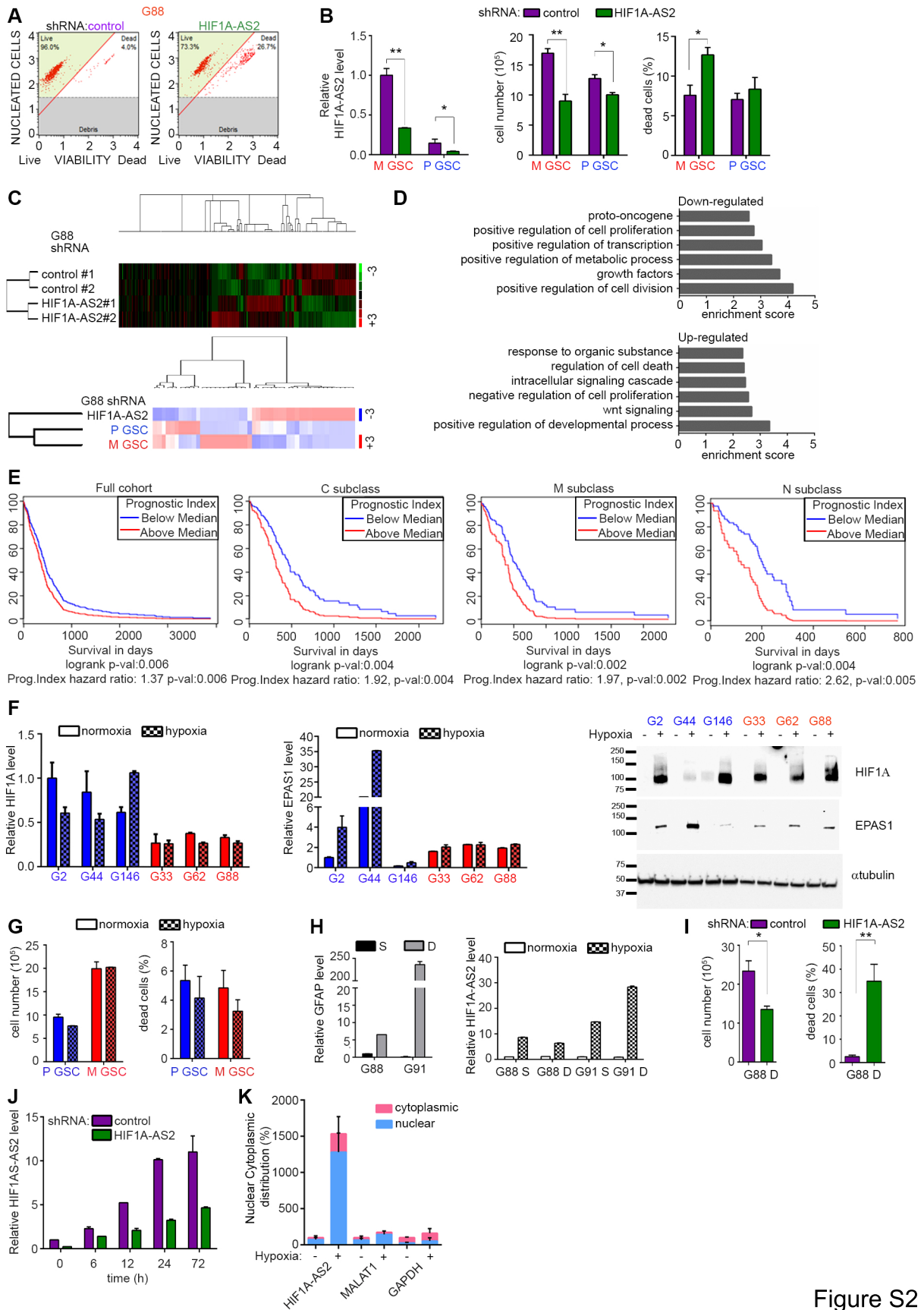


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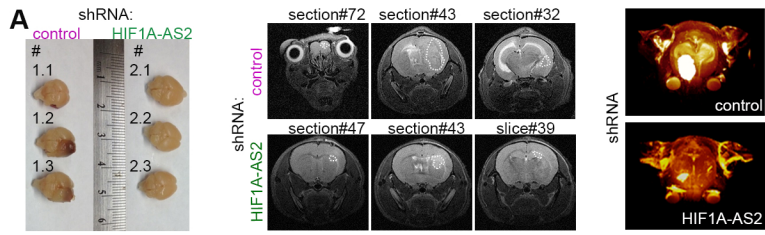


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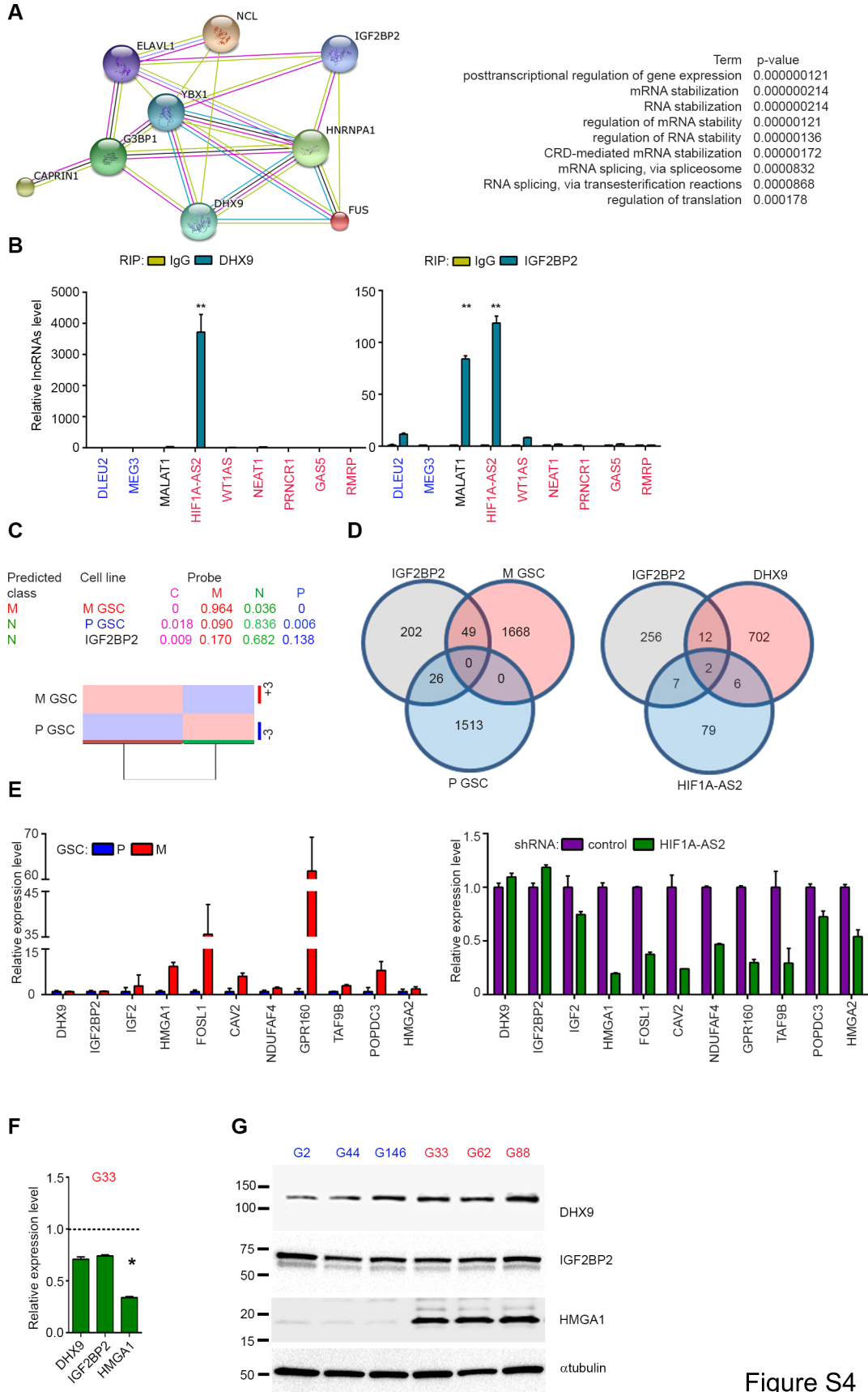


Figure S4

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE LEGEND

Table S1. Supplementary to Figure 1B. List of lncRNA transcripts used for Nanostring platform. (See Excel file)

Table S2. Supplementary to Figure 2E. List of genes that vary coherently between control and HIF1A-AS2 knockdown M GSC. (See Excel file)

Table S3. Supplementary to Figure 4A. List of HIF1A-AS2 interacting proteins identified by mass spectrometry. (See Excel file)

Table S4. Supplementary to Figure 4F. List of genes used to query Ivy GAP database

Gene symbol	Gene name	Gene ID	Chromosome
PROM1 (CD133)	prominin 1	8842	4
OLIG2	oligodendrocyte lineage transcription factor 2	10215	21
NOTCH1	notch 1	4851	9
SOX2	SRY (sex determining region Y)-box 2	6657	3
NES	nestin	10763	1
CD44	CD44 molecule (Indian blood group)	960	11
LYN	v-yes-1 Yamaguchi sarcoma viral related oncogene homolog	4067	8
BCL2A1	BCL2-related protein A1	597	15
WT1	Wilms tumor 1	7490	11
MET	met proto-oncogene (hepatocyte growth factor receptor)	4233	7
SDC4	syndecan 4	6385	20
IGFBP3	insulin-like growth factor binding protein 3	3486	7
ERO1L	ERO1-like (<i>S. cerevisiae</i>)	30001	14
PGK1	phosphoglycerate kinase 1	5230	X
ADM	adrenomedullin	133	11
NDRG1	N-myc downstream regulated 1	10397	8
VEGFA	vascular endothelial growth factor A	7422	6
PFKP	phosphofructokinase, platelet	5214	10
SLC2A1	solute carrier family 2 (facilitated glucose transporter), member 1	6513	1
PDK1	pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase, isozyme 1	5163	2
ITGA3	integrin, alpha 3	3675	17
FOSL1	FOS-like antigen 1	8061	11
HMGA1	high mobility group AT-hook 1	3159	6
HMGA2	high mobility group AT-hook 2	8091	12
KLF4	Kruppel-like factor 4 (gut)	9314	9
FGF5	fibroblast growth factor 5	2250	4
GADD45B	growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta	4616	19
RPS27A	ribosomal protein S27a	6233	2
COL27A1	collagen, type XXVII, alpha 1	85301	9
IL12A	interleukin 12A	3592	3

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