

Supplementary information

DNA methylation epigenotype and clinical features of NRAS-mutation(+) colorectal cancer

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Supplementary Table S1. Methylation marker genes and primer sequences for pyrosequencing

Gene	PCR Primers (Forward/Reverse)	Sequencing primers
Group-1		
<i>SPON1</i>	F AGGAGGTTGTTGTTTTAATTTTAGTTATA	AGTTATATTTAGGATTTTTTGGAG
	R* AATTATTTCTCAAACCTTCCCTCCTCTA	
<i>TIMP3</i>	F AGAGATATTTAGTGGTTTAGGTG	GGTGGGAGTGGGGTTA
	R* AAACCCTCCTACCCCTTCT	
<i>CACNA1G</i>	F TGTTTTGGTTAAGTAGAAGAAAAT	TGGTTAAGTAGAAGAAAATTAT
	R* ACCCAAATCAACAAAAAAAACCC	
<i>MLH1</i>	F ATGTGGATGAAGTTTAAAAGAAGTAAGAT	ATGGAAGTAGAAGAGGTTTTAGTTT
	R* AAAACTCCACCACCAATA	
<i>MINT17</i>	F* AAGTGGGAGAAGAGGAAGAGAAAAATA	TATCCCTCCCATCT
	R CTATCCTCCCAAACCTTCT	
<i>p16INKA</i>	F* GGTGGGTAGAGGGTTTGTA	GGGAGTAGGGGATGG
	R CCAATTCCCCTACAACTT	
Group-2		
<i>ADAMTS1</i>	F GTTTTTGGGGTTTTAATGTAG	TTAATGTAGAGAGTTGTGT
	R* TTCCCACATCCCTACCCAACCTTAC	
<i>BNIP3</i>	F AGAAGTAGATTTATTTTTAGGTGGAATT	ATTTTTAGGTGGAATTTTAGT
	R* AAAAAACCCCATCTCCAACCT	
<i>EDIL3</i>	F GGGATTTTTAGTTTATTTTTATTAGTTG	TTAGTTTATTTTTATTAGTTGTT
	R* ACTCAACCTCCATATCCCCAATT	
<i>EFEMP1</i>	F* TTGGGAAGTTGAGTAGTTTTAGGG	AAATCCCCTTTCTTAACA
	R ACCCCACAAAAAATAAAATCCCCTTCTT	
<i>ELMO1</i>	F GGAGGAAGGAAGAGGAAGTGA	GAGGAAGTGAGAGTAG
	R* CCAACACACCCACTTACTCTAAAT	
<i>PPP1R3C</i>	F GTGTTTGGGAGTAGATAAG	TTTTTAGGAGTAGGGTTTTAGTTT
	R* CACAACCTCAAACCTTACC	
<i>PPP1R14A</i>	F GGGGGTTTGGGATAGATAT	GGGATTAGGTTTGTGTTG
	R* CTCCCCACCAACAACCC	
<i>RASSF2</i>	F AGGGTTGTTAGGTTTTTTTTAGT	GTTAGGTTTTTTTTAGTTTTGTA
	R* CCCATCCCCCAAATCTCTAAAACCTT	
<i>STOX2</i>	F AGGTTGGGGTAGTTGTTAAG	GGGTAGTTGTTAAGGTTT
	R* TCCCATCAAACCTTCTCATTTTCA	
<i>TMEFF2</i>	F ATTTAGGGATTGGGTTTAGT	AGGGTAGTTAGTTGAGAAGT
	R* CCCTCCTTATAACAACAACCT	
<i>UCHL1</i>	F* GGTAGGGTTTTTAAATTTTGTAGTTTTATT	CCACCAAATTATCTCACC
	R CCACAACCACCAAATTATCT	
<i>ZNF447</i>	F GGGGTAGTTGAGTAGTAGGTGG	GGTAGGTTTAGGGGATGTAG
	R* CCTCACCCTCTACCCTATTTAAATC	
<i>NEUROG1</i>	F AGTTTGGGGTTGTTATTTTGTGTTA	GTTGTTATTTTGTGTTAGTTG
	R* AAAAAACCAAACCAAATTCTCC	

* Printers with 5'-biotin tag.

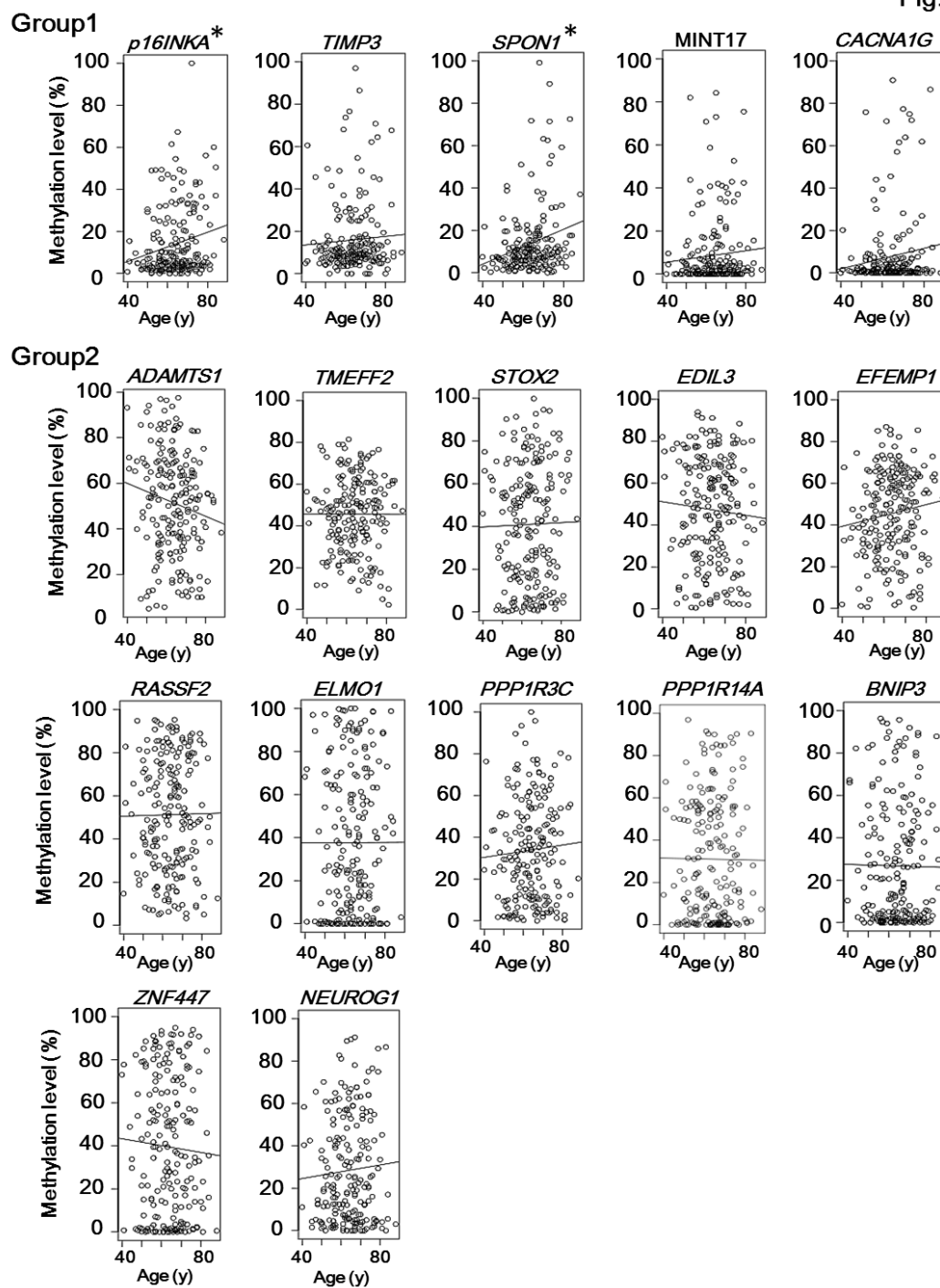
Supplementary Table S2. Comparison of clinicopathological features of all CRC cases

Clinical features	All cases	<i>BRAF</i>	<i>KRAS</i>	<i>NRAS</i>	No-mut	<i>P</i> -value (<i>K</i> vs <i>N</i> vs <i>No</i>)	<i>P</i> -value (<i>K</i> vs <i>N</i>)
# of sample	205	13	59	56	72		
<i>Gender</i>							
Male	115	9	33	25	48	0.2	0.6
Female	84	4	26	25	24		
Unkown	6	0	0	6	0		
<i>Age (y.o.)</i>							
Mean±SD	63.8±9.4	71.0±8.5	61.7±9.4	66.7±9.1	62.0±9.1	*0.005	*0.01
<i>Tumor location</i>							
Proximal	61	13	23	6	17	*2×10 ⁻⁵	*0.002
Distal	137	0	36	43	55		
Unkown	7	0	0	7	0		
<i>Mucinous component</i>							
(+)	31	8	14	3	5	*0.004	*0.02
(-)	167	5	45	46	67		
Unkown	7	0	0	7	0		
<i>AJCC Stage</i>							
I	15	3	0	11	0	*5×10 ⁻⁶	*0.001
II	54	5	17	16	16		
III	64	3	21	11	26		
IV	66	2	21	12	30		
Unkown	6	0	0	6	0		
<i>Lymph node metastasis</i>							
(+)	108	5	39	17	43	*0.005	*0.003
(-)	87	8	20	30	28		
Unkown	10	0	0	9	1		
<i>Lymph vessel invasion</i>							
(+)	135	11	48	19	53	*5×10 ⁻⁶	*8×10 ⁻⁶
(-)	63	2	11	30	19		
Unkown	7	0	0	7	0		
<i>Venous invasion</i>							
(+)	157	9	48	33	62	*0.04	0.1
(-)	41	4	11	16	10		
Unkown	7	0	0	7	0		
<i>Microsatellite instability</i>							
MSI-H	17	11	3	0	3	0.3	0.3
MSS	180	2	56	48	69		
Unkown	8	0	0	8	0		
<i>Methylation epigenotype</i>							
HME	13	9	2	0	2	*3×10 ⁻⁴	*1×10 ⁻⁴
IME	89	4	40	18	27		
LME	98	0	17	38	43		

No-mut: no mutation. *B* vs *K* vs *N*: *BRAF* vs *KRAS* vs *NRAS*. *K* vs *N*: *KRAS* vs *NRAS*.

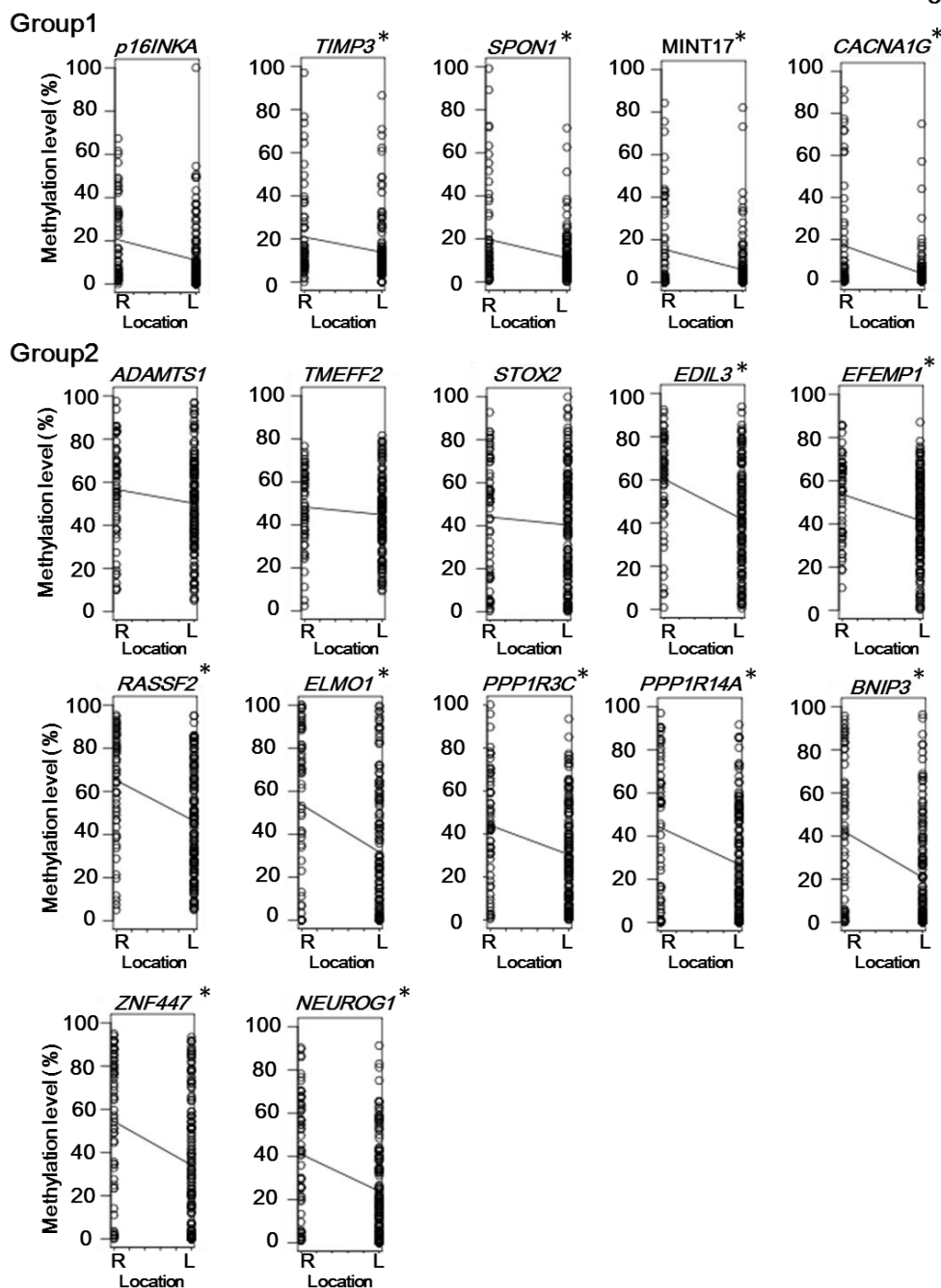
MSI-H: microsatellite instability high. *MSS*: microsatellite stable. **P* < 0.05

Fig. S1



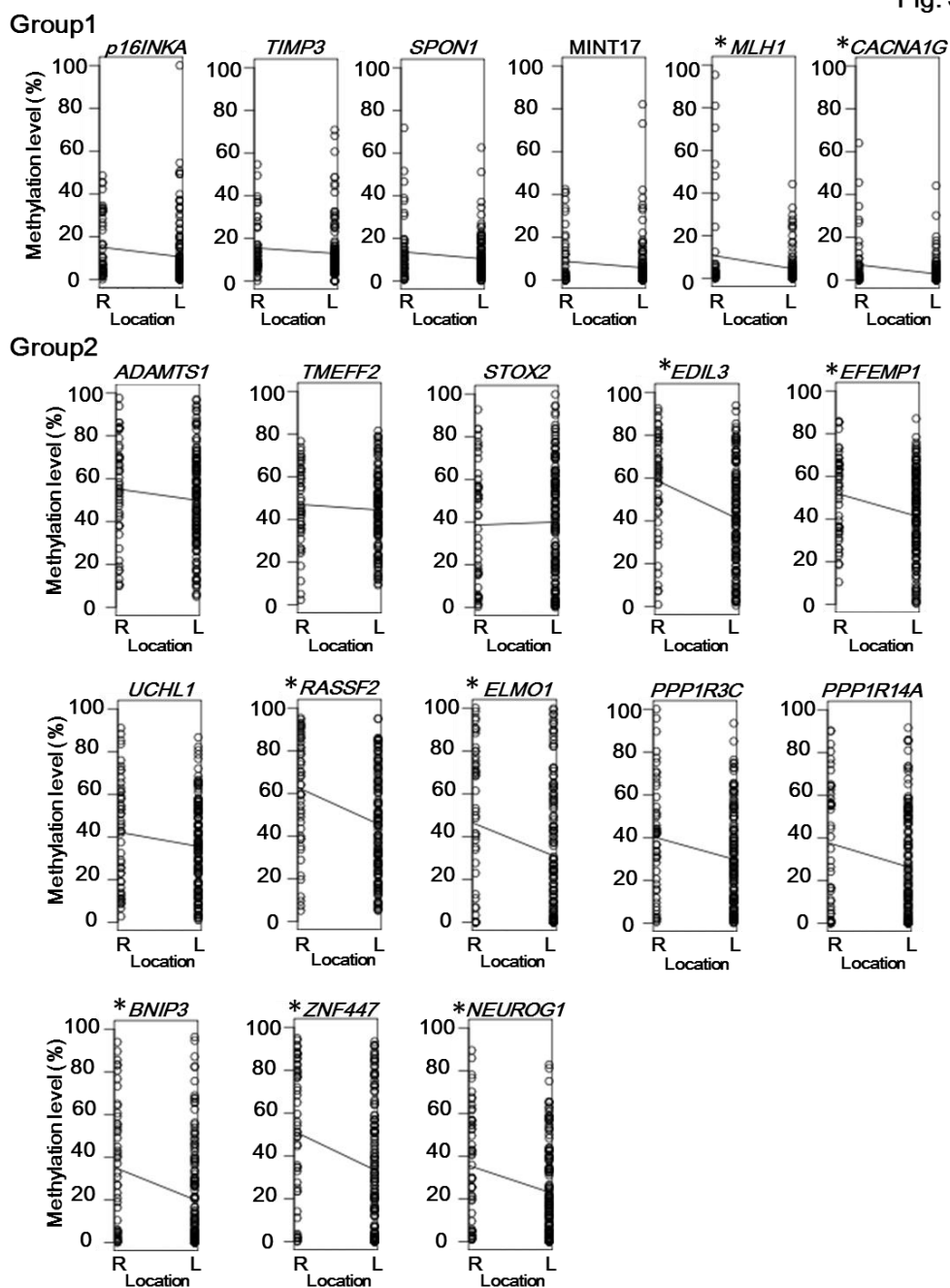
Supplementary Figure S1. Comparison between methylation levels and age using linear single regression model. Three of the six Group-1 markers showed a significant correlation between higher methylation levels and age ($*P < 0.008$), while none of Group-2 markers did. Since six Group-1 markers were evaluated, P -values < 0.008 (i.e., $0.05/6$) were considered significant.

Fig. S2



Supplementary Figure S2. Comparison between methylation levels and tumor location using a linear single regression model. While five of the Group-1 markers showed a significant correlation between higher methylation level and proximal location ($*P < 0.008$), 10 of 13 Group-2 markers showed significant correlation between higher methylation level and proximal location ($*P < 0.004$). Since six Group-1 markers and 13 Group-2 markers were evaluated, P -values < 0.008 (i.e., $0.05/6$) and < 0.004 (i.e., $0.05/13$), respectively, were considered significant.

Fig. S3



Supplementary Figure S3. Comparison between methylation levels and tumor location using a linear single regression model, excluding HME CRCs. While two of the Group-1 markers showed a significant correlation between higher methylation level and proximal location ($*P < 0.008$), 7 of 13 Group-2 markers showed a significant correlation between higher methylation level and proximal location ($*P < 0.004$). Since six Group-1 markers and 13 Group-2 markers were evaluated, P -values < 0.008 (i.e., $0.05/6$) and < 0.004 (i.e., $0.05/13$), respectively, were considered significant.