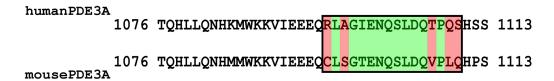
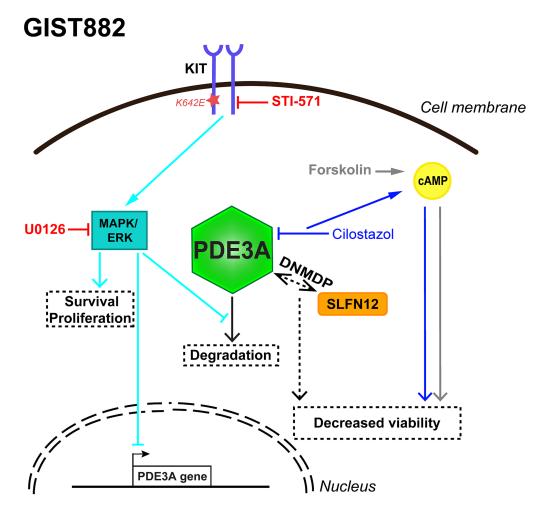
# Phosphodiesterase 3A: a new player in development of interstitial cells of Cajal and a prospective target in gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST)

#### **Supplementary Materials**

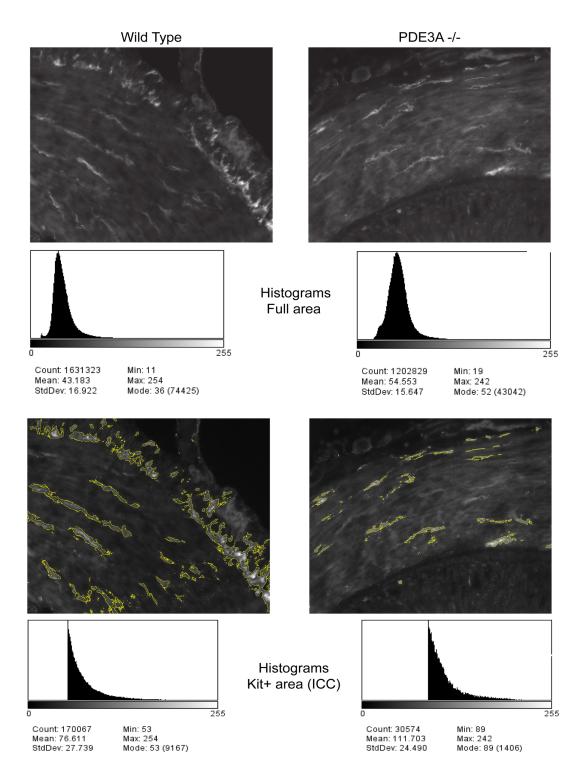
#### SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES



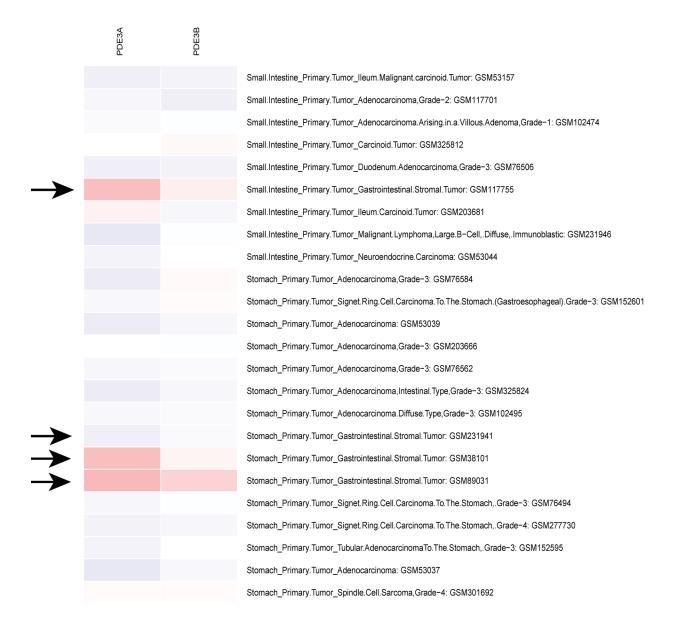
**Supplementary Figure 1: Alignment of the amino-acid sequence of the immunogenic peptide used to raise the anti-human PDE3A antibody.** Black box highlights the sequence of the human PDE3A immunogenic peptide [20], aligned to the mouse PDE3A peptide sequence (NCBI Reference Sequence: NP\_000912.3 and NP\_061249.1). Red indicates missmatched amino-acids. Green indicates matching amino-acids.

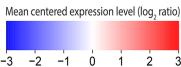


Supplementary Figure 2: Graphical model of the PDE3A interplay in GIST882 cells. Plain cyan arrows: Oncogenic mutation (K642E) of the KIT receptor leads to activation of MAPK/ERK pathway and promotes cell viability. Other signaling pathways downstream of KIT receptor not represented here for the sake of clarity. Plain red arrows: KIT inhibition by STI-571 downregulates the MAPK/ERK pathway, decreases the amount of PDE3A protein and simultaneously upregulates PDE3A mRNA. The MEK inhibitor U0126 replicates the effect of STI-571, suggesting a central role for the MAPK/ERK pathway in PDE3A protein and mRNA turn-over in GIST882 cells. Plain blue arrows: the PDE3 inhibitor cilostazol reduces GIST882 cell viability without affecting the MAPK/ERK pathway (pERK). (not shown) cilostazol synergizes with STI-571 to reduce GIST882 cell viability (Chou-Talalay's combination index <1). Refer to results section for details. Plain grey arrows: Forskolin, a direct activator of adenylyl cyclase, reduced GIST882 viability and synergizes with cilostazol (Chou-Talalay's combination index <1). Refer to result section for details. Dashed black arrows: GIST882 cells express both PDE3A and SLFN12. DNMDP exerts a cytotoxic effect on GIST882 cells, likely by inducing a neomorphic protein-protein interaction between PDE3A and SLFN12, as recently described by de Waal *et al.* in other cancer cells [18].



**Supplementary Figure 3: KIT-ir intensity is similar in ICC of WT and PDE3A-/- mice.** Upper panels: Representative fields of view of WT (left) and PDE3A-/- (right) muscularis propria stained with KIT antibody. Histograms of global pixel intensity values of both pictures are within the same range. Lower panels: Same fields of view with segmented KIT+ areas highlighted in yellow. Histogram of pixel intensity values for the segmented KIT+ area are within the same range. The reduction of KIT+ ICC observed in PDE3A -/- gut cannot be attributed to a reduced level of KIT-ir intensity. The similar distribution of KIT-ir intensity in WT and PDE3A-/- gut indicates a genuine reduction of the number of KIT+ ICC in the PDE3A -/- gut. Scale bar = 50μm.





**Supplementary Figure 4: PDE3A and PDE3B expression in primary gastrointestinal stromal tumors.** Heatmap of PDE3A and PDE3B expression in primary tumors of digestive tract [36]. Black arrows indicate gastrointestinal tumors. PDE3A appears generally more expressed than PDE3B in primary GIST.

### Supplementary Table 1: Primary and secondary antibodies for immunostaining

Primary antibodies	dies Supplier		Host	Dilution	
SLFN12	Abcam	ab113238	Rabbit	1/500	
hPDE3A (1095-1110)	MRC-PPU Reagents	S721A	Sheep	1/2000	
mPDE3A (1098-1115)	NHLBI [19]	N/A	Rabbit	1/500	
alphaSMA	Sigma	C6198	Mouse	1/30.000	
KIT (D13A2)	Cell signaling technology	3074	Rabbit	1/500	
KIT	DAKO	A4502	Rabbit	1/500	
Secondary antibodies	Supplier	Cat.N°	Host	Dilution	
Anti sheep Biotin-SP	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	713-065-147	Donkey	1/200	
Anti rabbit Biotin-SP	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	711-065-152	Donkey	1/200	
Anti sheep Alexa 488	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	713-545-147	Donkey	1/200	
Anti rabbit Alexa 594	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	711-585-152	Donkey	1/200	
Anti rabbit Alexa 647	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	711-605-152	Donkey	1/200	

### Supplementary Table 2: Primary and secondary antibodies for Western blot

Primary antibodies	Supplier	Cat. N°	Host	Dilution
SLFN12	Abcam	ab113238	Rabbit	1/200
hPDE3A (1095-1110)	MRC-PPU Reagents	S721A	Sheep	1/500
mPDE3A (1098-1115)	NHLBI [19]	N/A	Rabbit	1/200
ERK	Cell signaling technology	9102	Rabbit	1/500
pERK Thr202/Tyr204	Cell signaling technology	9106	Mouse	1/500
GAPDH (14C10)	Cell signaling technology	2118	Rabbit	1/200
Secondary antibodies	Supplier	Cat.N°	Host	Dilution
Anti sheep Alexa 680	Jackson Immunoresearch laboratories, Inc.	713-625-147	Donkey	1/10.000
Anti rabbit 680RD	LI-COR	925-68073	Donkey	1/10.000
Anti mouse 800CW	LI-COR	925-32212	Donkey	1/10.000

## Supplementary Table 3: Primers used on human GIST882 cells

Primers	Sequence		
GAPDH Fw	TGTGTCCGTCGTGGATCTGA		
GAPDH Rev	CCTGCTTCACCACCTTCTTGA		
β-Actin Fw	AACCGTGAAAAGATGACCCAGAT		
β-Actin Rev	GCCTGGATGGCTACGTACATG		
PDE3A Fw	TTTCCTTAGAGAGGTTCAAGGTCG		
PDE3A Rev	AATACTGGTTCCTGAAGACTGTGAT		

### Supplementary Table 4: Clinicopathologic features of SuperBiochips GIST TMA

SuperBiochips GIST TMA	
Sex/Age average	Total (n)/years
Male	28/58.3
Female	22/62.6
Primary tumor site	Total (n)
Gastric	24
Small bowel	15
Abdominal cavity	1
Rectum	2
Disseminated	8
Tumor morphology	Total (n)
Spindle	47
Epithelioid	3
Risk category	Total (n)
Malignant	8
High risk	26
Intermediate risk	8
Low risk	8
Mitotic Figures	Total (n)
≤5/50	24
>5/50	26
KIT-ir	Total (n)
positive	50
negative	0

## Supplementary Table 5: Clinicopathologic features of CMMI DiaPath GIST TMA

CMMI DiaPath GIST TMA				
Sex/Age average	Total (n)/years			
Male	34/58.3			
Female	22/62.6			
Primary tumor site	Total (n)			
Gastric	26			
Small bowel	22			
Colon	1			
Disseminated	5			
Tumor morphology	Total (n)			
Spindle	64			
Epithelioid	11			
Risk category	Total (n)			
Malignant	14			
High risk	12			
Intermediate risk	9			
Low risk	21			
Mitotic Figures	Total (n)			
≤5/50	32			
>5/50	24			
KIT-ir	Total (n)			
positive	67			
negative	8			

### Supplementary Table 6: Biothèque de Liège, FFPE GIST slides clinicopathologic features

Code	Sex	Age	Organ	Diagnostic	Type	Immunostaining +	Immunostaining -
							Desmin
							Neurofilaments
							Actin
BPGIST10/05	M	62	Duodenum	Malignant GIST	Primary	Vimentin	S100
						CD117	Ki64
							CD34
							Factor VIII
							CD117
BPGIST10/09	F	66	Stomach	GIST	Primary	Vimentin	EMA
						CD34	NSE
						CD99	S100
							Actin
BPGIST10/11	M	68	Stomach	GIST	Primary	Vimentin	Desmin
						CD34	Actine
						CD117	S100
							SMMHC
						CD117	
BPGIST10/17	F	65	Stomach	Malignant GIST	Primary	CD34	
						Desmin	Actin
						S100	
						Ki-67 (5-10%)	