## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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## Isoliquiritigenin modulates miR-374a/PTEN/Akt axis to suppress breast cancer tumorigenesis and metastasis

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**Supplementary Figure 1. MTT analysis demonstrated that ISL had an inhibitory effect on primary breast cancer proliferation in a dose-dependent manner.** MTT was used to determine the anti-proliferation effect of ISL on primary breast cancer after 24h treatment.



**Supplementary Figure 2. HE analysis demonstrated that ISL had little influences on the micro-morphology of normal tissues.** HE staining was used to determine the effect of ISL on the heart, liver, lung and kidney.



Supplementary Figure 3. MiR-374a was highly expressed in breast cancer tumors compared to non-tumor tissues. The data from array express (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/arrayexpress/) was determined by online analysis (https://software.broadinstitute.org/morpheus/) to detect miRNAs expression down-regulated by ISL in breast cancer samples.



**Supplementary Figure 4. ISL demonstrated no obvious inhibitory effect on MCF-7 migration and invasion.** (A, C) The effect of ISL on MCF-7 migration was determined by wound healing assay. (B, D) The effect of ISL on MCF-7 migration and invasion was determined by chamber assay.



Supplementary Figure 5. ISL demonstrated an inhibitory effect on primary breast cancer invasion in a dose-dependent manner. The effect of ISL on primary breast cancer invasion was determined by chamber assay.



Supplementary Figure 6. Real-time PCR analysis of primary breast cancer indicated that ISL could inhibit miR-374a expression dose-dependently. Real-time PCR was used to determine the effect of ISL on primary breast cancer miR-374a expression with 24h intervention.



Supplementary Figure 7. Full-length images of the immunoblots. Red line boxes indicate the cropped images used in Figure 1D.  $\beta$ -actin was used as an internal control. The same set of protein samples was charged in all gels. Arrowheads indicate the position of protein markers.



Supplementary Figure 8. Full-length images of the immunoblots. Red line boxes indicate the cropped images used in Figure 1E.  $\beta$ -actin was used as an internal control. The same set of protein samples was charged in all gels. Arrowheads indicate the position of protein markers.



Supplementary Figure 9. Full-length images of the immunoblots. Red line boxes indicate the cropped images used in Figure 6D.  $\beta$ -actin was used as an internal control. The same set of protein samples was charged in all gels. Arrowheads indicate the position of protein markers.



Supplementary Figure 10. Full-length images of the immunoblots. Red line boxes indicate the cropped images used in Figure 7G.  $\beta$ -actin was used as an internal control. The same set of protein samples was charged in all gels. Arrowheads indicate the position of protein markers.

PTEN	(F) AACGCTTCACGAATTTGCGT
	(R) AGAGGAGCAGCCGCAGAAATG
BAX	(F) CCGCCGTGGACACAGACT
	(R) TTGAAGTTGCCGTCAGAAAACA
BCL-2	(F) CTGGGAATCGATCTGGAAATCC
	(R) TGCATAAGGCAACGATCCCATC
GAPDH	(F) GACTCATGACCACAGTCCATGC
	(R) AGAGGCAGGGATGATGTTCTG
U6	(F) CTCGCTTCGGCAGCACA
	(R) AACGCTTCACGAATTTGCGT

Table S1. The primers used for Real-time RT–PCR

## Table S2. The oligo sequences of siRNA PTEN

siPTEN	(Sense) GGUUUUCGAGUCCUAAUUAtt
	(Antisense) UAAUUAGGACUCGAAAACCtt

## Table S3. The primers used for colony PCR

PTEN	(F) ATGAGCTCATGTGAAGGTCTGAATGAGG
wide-type	(R) GCAAGCTTTTCAAGAGGAGCTACAAAGG
PTEN	(F) GGAAAAATGGCATTATATATGTTGTGTATATAAATATATAT
mut-1	(R) TATAATATATATATATATACACAACATATATAATGCCATTTTTCC
PTEN	(F) TATTATATATATAAATATATGTTGTGCATACTCTCCTTACTTTAT
mut-2	(R) ATAAAGTAAGGAGAGTATGCACAACATATATTATATATAT