#### **Supplemental Figure. 1**

#### CDK2 ex5 minigenes with altered C and U content in the splice acceptor PPT.

A. The CDK2 ex5 along with its contiguous intron sequences (red) was inserted into a minigene vector (as in **Fig. 1**). Base substitutions in the C-rich splice acceptor PPT flanking the CDK2 ex5 splice acceptor are highlighted in blue. In the  $C_{13}$  minigene, the PPT was replaced by a homopolymeric C sequence. Each minigene construct was transfected into K562 cells and the transcript was assessed for exon 5 inclusion in the steady state RNA as in panel C.

**B. RNA EMSA analyses of mutant splice sites.** Mut-3 and Mut-4 disrupt PCBP complex formation. C-13 minigene forms a strong PCBP/RNP complex.

**C. Splicing analysis.** These three minigene plasmids were co-transfected into K562 cells along with plasmids expressing the PCBP1/2 shRNA or a control shRNA. The splicing efficiency of exon 5 was assessed by RT-PCR after a 3-day incubation. The % inclusion was calculated as in **Methods**.

### **Supplemental Figure 2**

PCBP1 is the major PCBP isoform to enhance inclusion of cassette exons *via* a C-rich splice acceptor site.

A. Co-transfections were performed with minigenes (CDK2-WT or CDK2-26C) and shRNAs as indicated, along with vectors expressing recombinant PCBPs encoded by shRNA-immune mRNAs. These two minigenes were transfected into K562 cells along with PCBP1/2 shRNAs and Flag-tagged PCBPs expression vector (V: empty vector ;

CP1:PCBP1 expression vector; CP2: PCBP2 expression vector. Western blot assay to confirm the siRNA-mediated depletion and recombinant PCBP expression.

**B.** CDK2-WT minigene splicing was assessed by RT/PCR.

C. CDK2-26C minigene splicing was assessed by RT/PCR.

### **Supplemental Fig. 3**

**PCBPs modulate CDK2 activity** *via* **multiple mechanisms.** PCBP1/2 repress the expression of all three CDK2 kinase inhibitors (P21, P27 and P57)((60) and our RNA-seq data) and enhance CDK2 protein expression (**Fig. 5** of this report). Thus, PCBPs can modulate CDK2 activity cell cycle kinetics by coordinately altering levels of its kinase inhibitors and by directly impacting on CDK2 protein.



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# Supplemental Figure 2



C CDK2-C26 shRNA: CTRL PCBP1/2 Recom. protein Protein Note: No

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