

# **An autocrine ActivinB mechanism drives TGF $\beta$ /Activin signaling in Group 3 medulloblastoma.**

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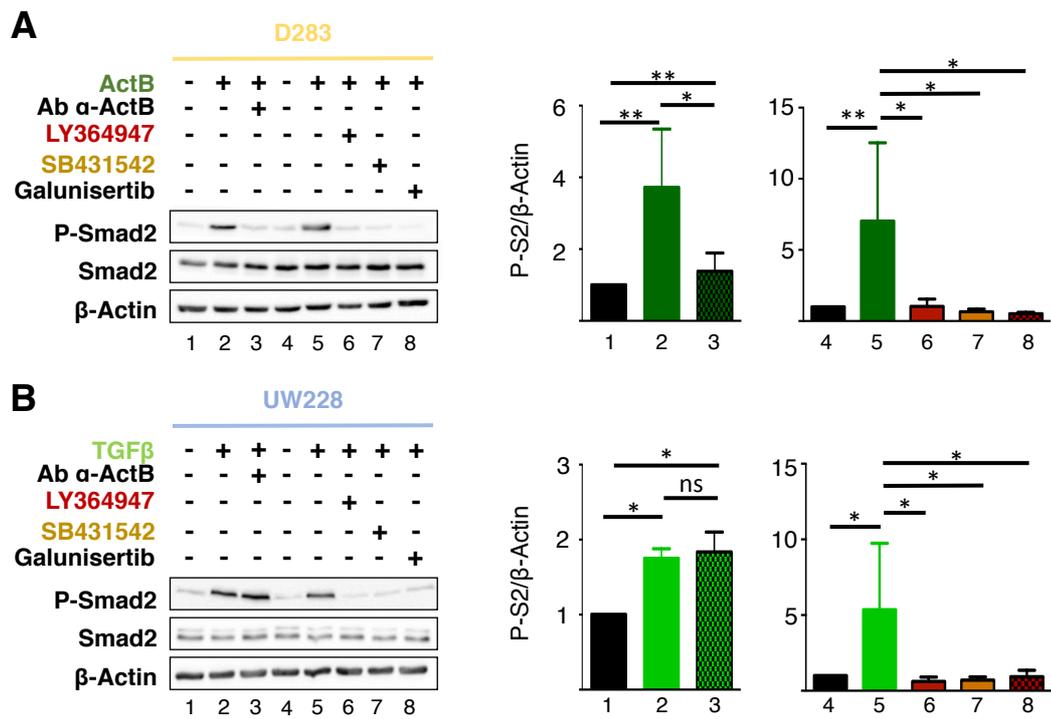
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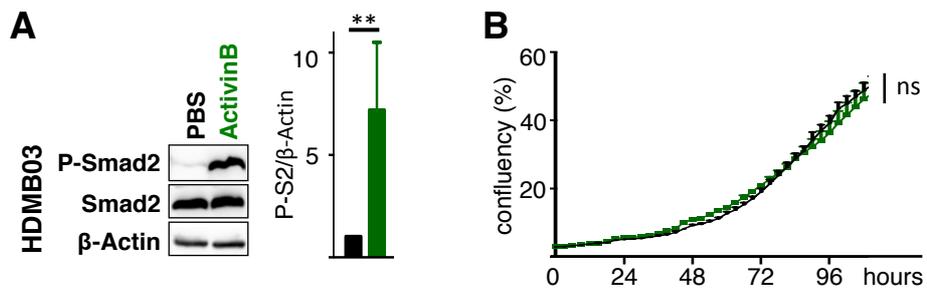
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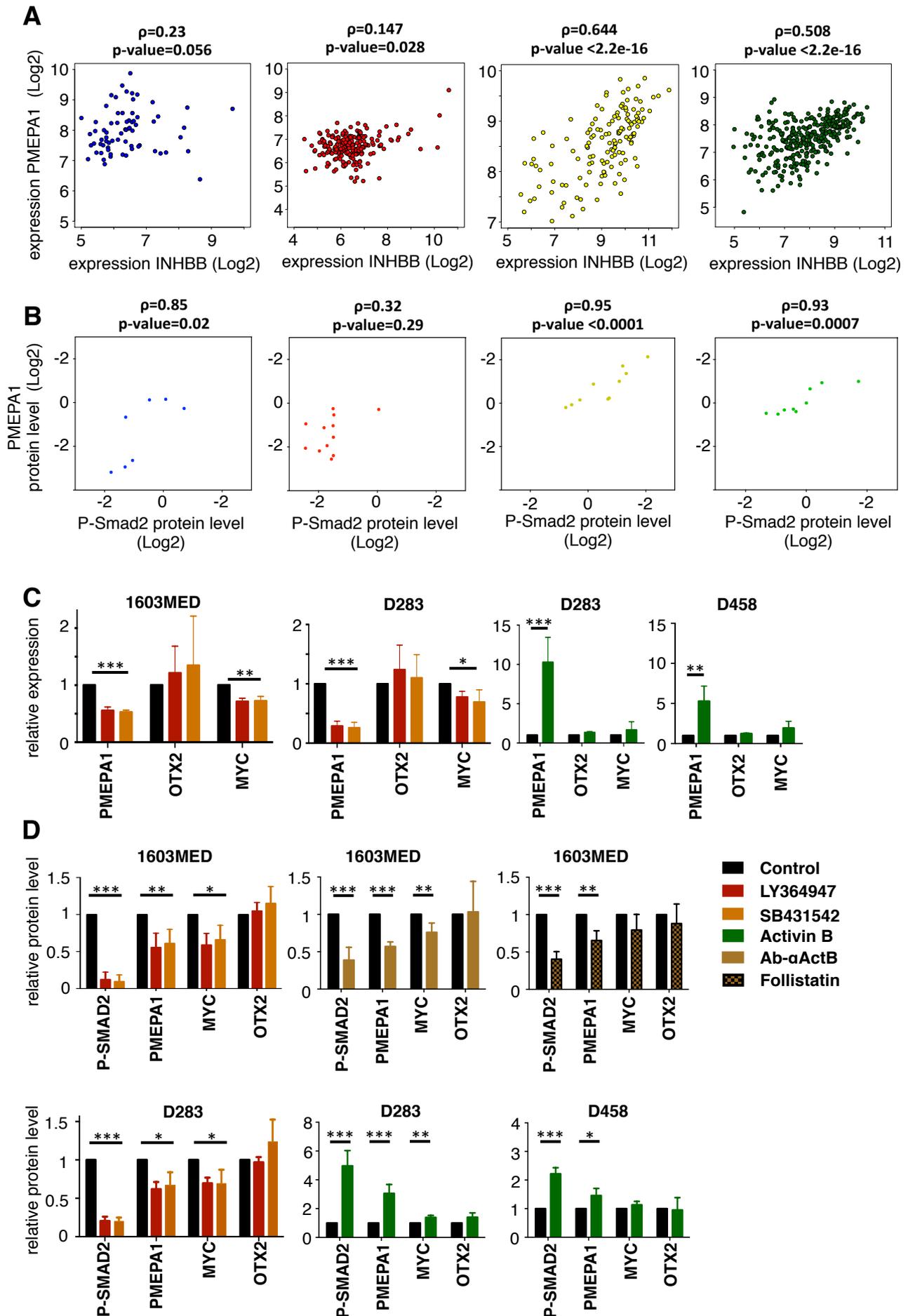
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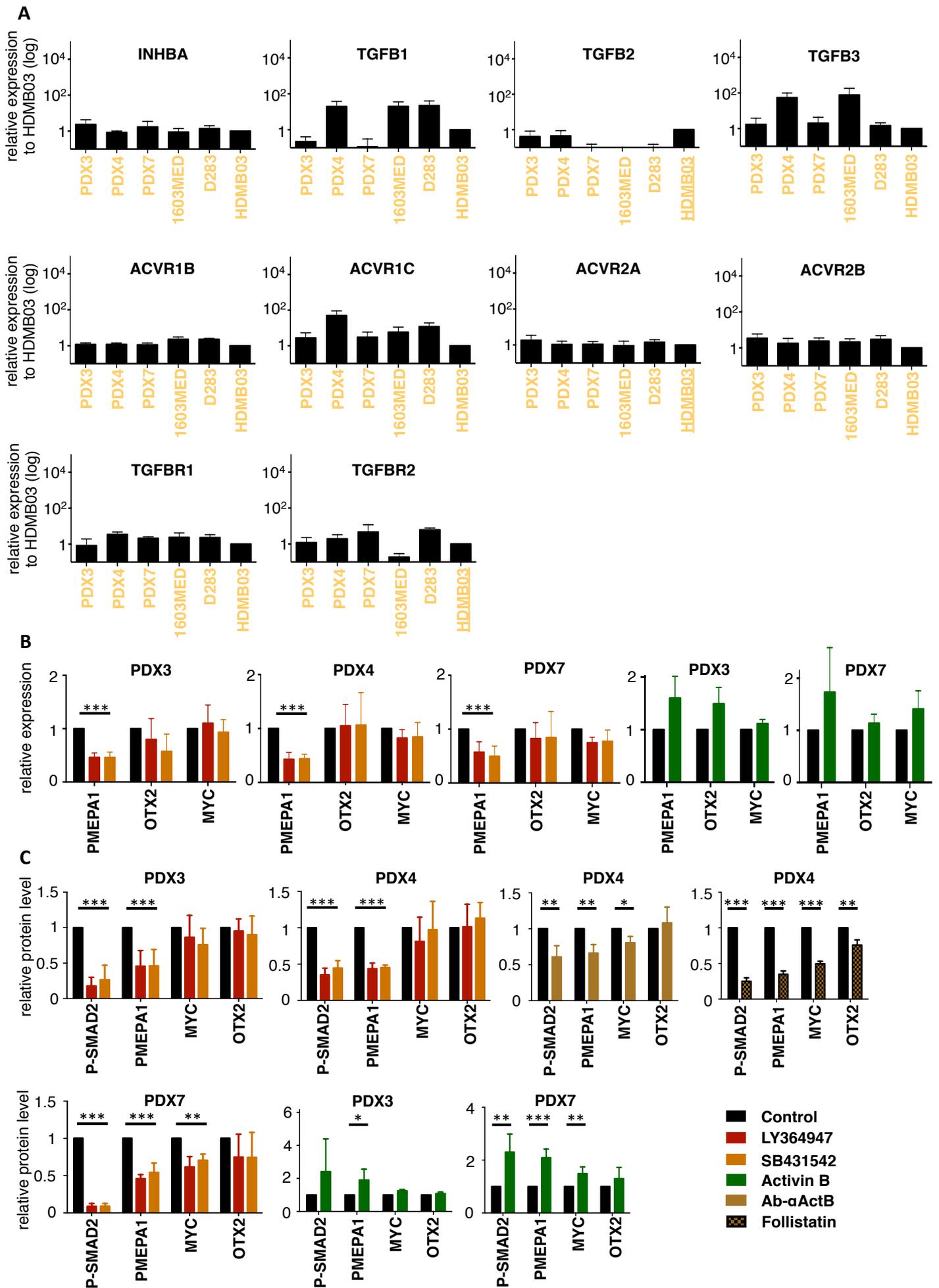
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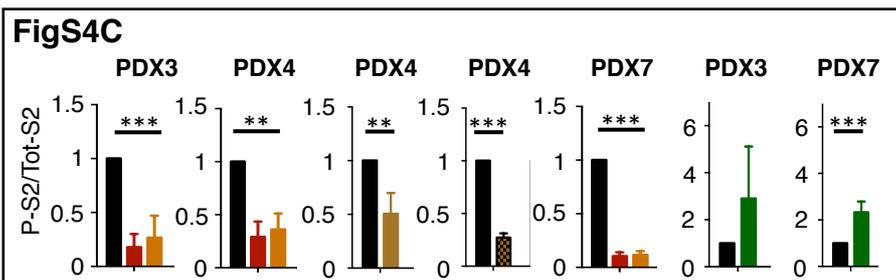
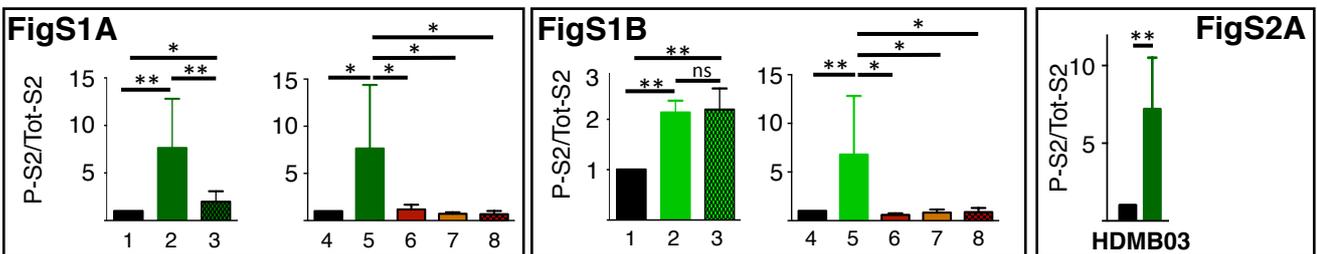
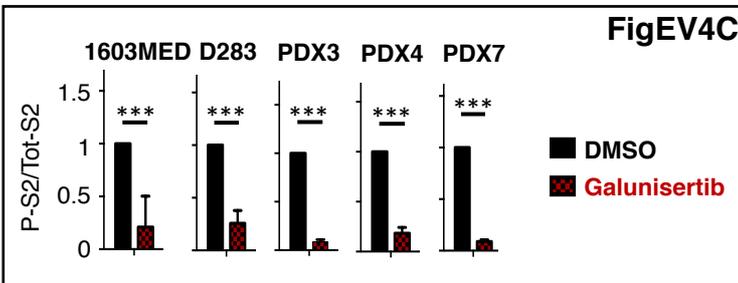
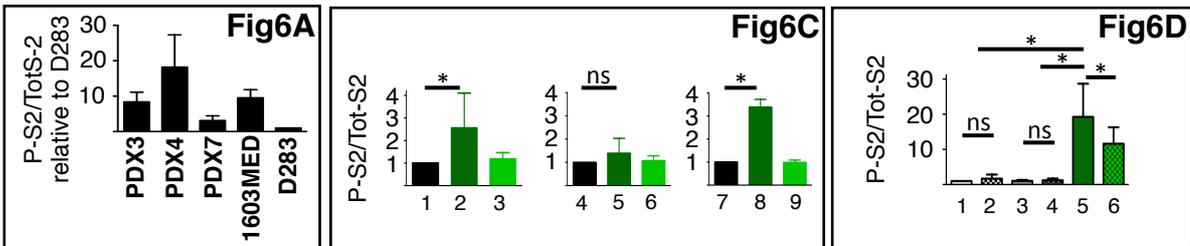
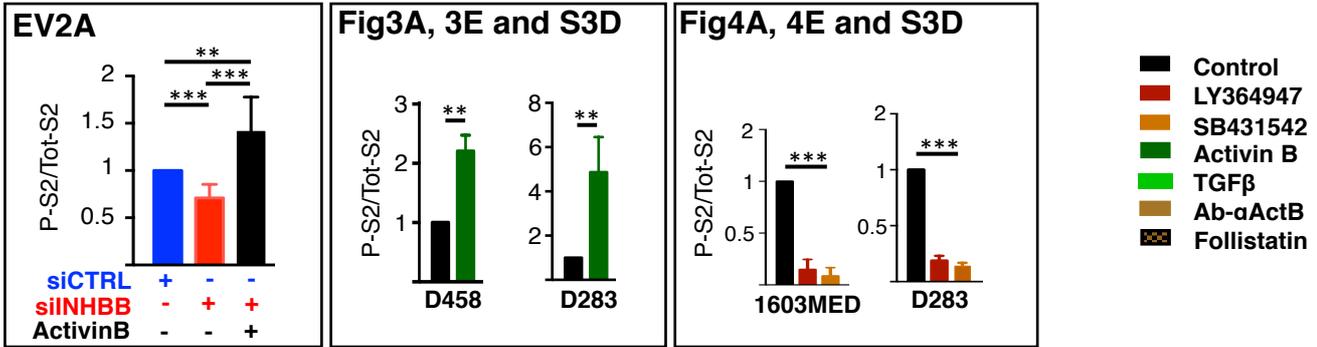
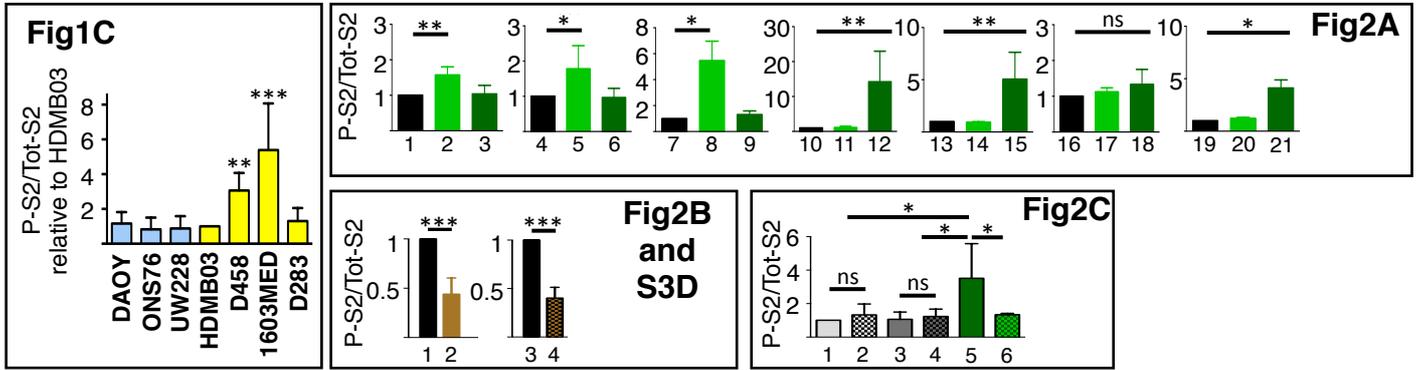




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Appendix Table S1: Statistics related to Figure 1B, 5B-C and EV1B-C

EnsemblGeneID_from_ensemblv77	HGNC_symbol_from_ensemblv77	Fetal_vs_Adult	Fetal_vs_WNT	Fetal_vs_SHH	Fetal_vs_Group3	Fetal_vs_Group4	Adult_vs_WNT	Adult_vs_SHH	Adult_vs_Group3	Adult_vs_Group4	WNT_vs_SHH	WNT_vs_Group3	WNT_vs_Group4	SHH_vs_Group3	SHH_vs_Group4	Group3_vs_Group4
ENSG00000115170	ACVR1	3,884E-01	1,612E-05	6,816E-01	2,037E-05	1,028E-06	2,430E-04	6,780E-01	2,630E-04	5,034E-05	4,800E-21	2,229E-03	4,420E-13	5,162E-36	1,790E-70	8,397E-08
ENSG00000135503	ACVR1B	1,758E-02	8,258E-02	1,912E-01	5,173E-01	2,695E-01	4,618E-02	1,376E-02	1,798E-03	9,235E-03	2,350E-01	3,459E-06	1,040E-01	9,013E-07	4,947E-01	5,530E-06
ENSG00000123612	ACVR1C	3,996E-04	9,815E-01	8,410E-02	7,331E-04	1,086E-03	5,447E-05	2,961E-04	1,488E-04	3,745E-05	5,568E-05	3,093E-12	2,650E-13	1,272E-03	5,893E-03	5,086E-02
ENSG00000121989	ACVR2A	2,238E-01	5,610E-03	4,118E-01	8,875E-02	9,503E-02	2,141E-01	3,162E-01	2,641E-03	7,426E-01	1,537E-07	3,003E-17	1,415E-04	2,047E-12	4,944E-03	5,338E-22
ENSG00000114739	ACVR2B	7,592E-03	8,258E-02	2,736E-05	8,103E-06	1,361E-04	1,747E-03	1,412E-04	5,978E-05	7,374E-05	8,417E-17	7,595E-16	9,334E-09	9,321E-01	1,241E-11	6,276E-09
ENSG00000105329	TGFB1	5,287E-01	6,769E-03	4,626E-01	3,768E-05	5,878E-03	4,772E-03	1,315E-01	2,099E-04	2,043E-03	1,823E-08	1,502E-06	1,507E-01	1,123E-33	2,807E-14	7,348E-19
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ENSG00000119699	TGFB3	3,596E-02	1,173E-01	2,294E-02	9,169E-04	8,151E-04	2,609E-02	5,934E-01	7,752E-04	4,722E-04	2,240E-12	1,771E-06	6,814E-05	5,093E-37	1,697E-53	1,557E-02
ENSG00000106799	TGFB1	6,070E-01	1,217E-06	4,208E-03	4,854E-06	2,178E-06	5,447E-05	1,750E-02	1,546E-04	1,468E-04	2,216E-21	7,840E-01	1,134E-18	1,035E-24	3,682E-10	4,587E-18
ENSG00000163513	TGFB2	6,070E-01	4,731E-01	6,637E-04	2,370E-01	3,435E-01	5,063E-01	4,033E-03	4,014E-01	3,895E-01	8,106E-13	4,297E-03	1,145E-01	1,966E-26	1,175E-13	4,002E-07
ENSG00000123999	INHA	2,557E-02	9,446E-01	1,651E-01	4,637E-01	2,680E-01	1,563E-02	1,078E-01	6,213E-02	8,253E-02	7,322E-03	2,297E-01	2,855E-02	1,503E-01	3,706E-01	3,845E-01
ENSG00000163083	INHBB	3,996E-04	1,441E-03	6,395E-04	7,069E-05	3,719E-03	9,309E-01	9,328E-01	2,941E-04	6,805E-04	6,397E-01	3,310E-24	2,190E-20	1,811E-42	7,130E-45	3,294E-21
ENSG00000175189	INHBC	3,277E-01	2,440E-01	1,086E-03	1,062E-02	5,603E-06	1,257E-01	4,278E-03	1,629E-02	2,661E-04	4,829E-07	2,265E-03	2,794E-21	1,995E-02	3,694E-16	4,588E-19
ENSG00000139269	INHBE	1,810E-01	2,476E-02	3,598E-02	4,926E-01	9,624E-01	2,850E-01	4,010E-01	6,915E-02	3,564E-02	6,009E-01	2,229E-03	1,239E-06	5,082E-06	4,354E-14	4,792E-02
ENSG00000124225	PMEDA1	4,955E-02	5,112E-05	9,011E-05	1,014E-06	1,510E-02	4,082E-04	3,673E-04	5,511E-05	4,226E-03	7,182E-03	1,931E-08	2,922E-05	1,842E-31	1,533E-02	1,003E-37

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ENSG00000124225	PMEDA1	0,0071818	1,93E-08	2,92E-05	1,84E-31	0,0153323	1,00E-37	1,16E-39	1,38E-08	3,33E-05	0,097734959
ENSG00000129535	NRL	3,29E-24	4,96E-25	0,933501491	9,73E-58	5,68E-41	5,41E-35	1,63E-54	5,69E-09	4,74E-09	0,843313181
ENSG00000136997	MYC	1,05E-35	0,0458677	2,46E-32	6,31E-38	0,7007526	8,34E-37	2,21E-34	1,04E-08	6,48E-15	1,89E-06
ENSG00000163083	INHBB	0,6396935	3,31E-24	2,19E-20	1,81E-42	7,13E-45	3,29E-21	5,33E-38	0,000591146	0,005146791	0,780422424

Statistics related to transcriptomic analyses on data set from Cavalli et al. (Cancer Cell. 2017; 31(6):737-754.e6. doi: 10.1016/j.ccell.2017.05.005.)

Column ID	p-value(G3 vs. G4)	p-value(G3 vs. SHH)	p-value(G3 vs. WNT)	p-value(G3 vs. G4 and SHH and WNT)	p-value(G4 vs. SHH)	p-value(G4 vs. WNT)	p-value(SHH vs. WNT)	p-value(Group Fused)
TGFB1	5.35963e-005	5.67015e-005	0.238964	0.000313135	0.858953	0.135101	0.158415	9.4332e-005
TGFB2	0.247443	1.12487e-006	0.75613	0.165101	8.55297e-008	0.734319	0.00134171	2.20759e-007
TGFB3	0.00180916	7.93946e-007	0.0601249	7.10596e-005	0.0259683	0.931655	0.148734	1.48278e-005
INHBA	0.0439173	0.00915805	9.87976e-005	0.0228808	0.359509	5.67716e-005	3.20652e-005	0.000161164
INHBB	0.0097442	0.00697344	0.516205	0.0231563	0.999634	0.389553	0.382804	0.0232013
ACVR1B	0.116212	0.55153	0.722947	0.895126	0.0313741	0.219181	0.975419	0.150793
ACVR2A	0.188444	0.104717	0.0206685	0.0158543	0.79032	0.12028	0.155643	0.0946167
ACVR1C	0.750199	0.30014	0.846786	0.548559	0.473682	0.99339	0.648938	0.75337
TGFB2	0.0604814	0.0676761	0.547578	0.086931	0.881089	0.369556	0.416615	0.186227

Statistics related to proteomic analyses

**Appendix Table S2: statistics related to Figure 1D, 6B and EV1D and Appendix Figure S4A**

<b>TGFBR1 - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,011
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0077
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,6685

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>TGFBR2 - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	< 0,0001
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	< 0,0001
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,9714

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>ACVR2A - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,0147
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0038
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,5366

Fig EV1

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<b>ACVR2B - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,0003
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0009
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,762

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>ACVR1B - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	< 0,0001
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	< 0,0001
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	< 0,0001

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>ACVR1C - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,7806
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0623
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,049

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>INHBA - ANOVA</b>	pvalue
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,0038
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0184
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,9993

Fig EV1

Appendix Figure S4

<b>INHBB - ANOVA</b>	pvalue	
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,2775	Figure 1
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,1975	
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,6649	Appendix Figure S4

<b>INHBB - non parametric t-test</b>	pvalue	
MED1603 vs. non group3	0,0016	Figure 1
MED1603 vs. D283	0,0079	Figure 1
D283 vs. non group3	0,0016	Figure 1
HDMB03 vs. non group3	> 0,9999	Figure 1
D458 vs. non group3	0,0917	Figure 1

<b>TGFB1 - ANOVA</b>	pvalue	
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,6167	Fig EV1
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,0949	
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,1494	Appendix Figure S4

<b>TGFB2 - ANOVA</b>	pvalue	
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	< 0,0001	Fig EV1
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	< 0,0001	
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,9982	Appendix Figure S4

<b>TGFB3 - ANOVA</b>	pvalue	
non group3 vs. group3 cell lines	0,5274	Figure 1
non group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,3898	
group3 cell lines vs. group3 PDX	0,7561	Appendix Figure S4

<b>TGFB3 - non parametric t-test</b>	pvalue	
MED1603 vs. non group3	0,029	Figure 1
MED1603 vs. D283	0,0079	Figure 1
D283 vs. non group3	0,7443	Figure 1
HDMB03 vs. non group3	0,7483	Figure 1
D458 vs. non group3	0,2817	Figure 1

Statistics related to RT-qPCR experiments assessing expression levels of the TGF $\beta$ /ActivinB signaling pathway mediators performed in cell lines and PDX

**Appendix Table S3 : Statistics related to Figure 7D-E**

**WNT\_alpha**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,30255102	-0,147142857	0,238979592
NRL	0,30255102	1	0,101938776	-0,060102041
MYC	-0,147142857	0,101938776	1	-0,091326531
INHBB	0,238979592	-0,060102041	-0,091326531	1

**WNT\_beta**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,179220779	0,437662338	0,185714286
NRL	0,179220779	1	0,546753247	0,227272727
MYC	0,437662338	0,546753247	1	0,402597403
INHBB	0,185714286	0,227272727	0,402597403	1

**SHH\_alpha**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,046940559	0,22736014	0,145847902
NRL	0,046940559	1	0,089554196	0,102797203
MYC	0,22736014	0,089554196	1	0,340078671
INHBB	0,145847902	0,102797203	0,340078671	1

**SHH\_beta**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,013445378	-0,078711485	0,336414566
NRL	0,013445378	1	-0,220728291	0,060784314
MYC	-0,078711485	-0,220728291	1	0,125210084
INHBB	0,336414566	0,060784314	0,125210084	1

**SHH\_gamma**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	-0,062095282	0,041859389	0,068917669
NRL	-0,062095282	1	0,142807586	-0,143038853
MYC	0,041859389	0,142807586	1	0,473982424
INHBB	0,068917669	-0,143038853	0,473982424	1

**SHH\_delta**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	-0,073766234	-0,020041012	0,191442242
NRL	-0,073766234	1	0,034531784	0,049405332
MYC	-0,020041012	0,034531784	1	0,159289132
INHBB	0,191442242	0,049405332	0,159289132	1

**Group3\_alpha**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	-0,204725038	0,235174395	0,618844281
NRL	-0,204725038	1	-0,074068162	-0,087437146
MYC	0,235174395	-0,074068162	1	0,300782185
INHBB	0,618844281	-0,087437146	0,300782185	1

**Group3\_beta**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	-0,076813656	0,1628734	0,404931247
NRL	-0,076813656	1	-0,183499289	0,057373163
MYC	0,1628734	-0,183499289	1	0,257230915
INHBB	0,404931247	0,057373163	0,257230915	1

**Group3\_gamma**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,169043152	-0,181050657	0,650469043
NRL	0,169043152	1	-0,416322702	0,428705441
MYC	-0,181050657	-0,416322702	1	-0,166041276
INHBB	0,650469043	0,428705441	-0,166041276	1

**Group4\_alpha**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,145853655	0,143188672	0,314729453
NRL	0,145853655	1	0,149704493	0,362469636
MYC	0,143188672	0,149704493	1	-0,044546028
INHBB	0,314729453	0,362469636	-0,044546028	1

**Group4\_beta**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,280530071	0,455472153	0,445436011
NRL	0,280530071	1	0,11225095	0,251617088
MYC	0,455472153	0,11225095	1	0,208655361
INHBB	0,445436011	0,251617088	0,208655361	1

**Group4\_gamma**

	PMEPA1	NRL	MYC	INHBB
PMEPA1	1	0,056167213	0,398632673	0,451830224
NRL	0,056167213	1	0,011551061	0,117426293
MYC	0,398632673	0,011551061	1	0,14766415
INHBB	0,451830224	0,117426293	0,14766415	1

INHBB-NRL

Group	cor (spearman)	p-value
WNT	0,042183536	0,728234249
SHH	0,019611259	0,770696687
Group3	0,302829355	0,000239812
Group4	0,514738041	0
G3a	-0,087437146	0,480779646
G3b	0,057373163	0,735153304
G3g	0,428705441	0,006173715

Spearman correlation ( $\rho$  and p-values) related to the analyses performed on data set from Cavalli et al. (Cancer Cell. 2017; 31(6):737-754.e6. doi: 10.1016/j.ccell.2017.05.005.) for *INHBB*, *PMEPA1*, *MYC* and *NRL*.

Appendix Table S4

gene	Forward (F)/Reverse (R)	sequences (human)
ACVR1B	F	CTGTTCCCACTCAGCAGTGA
	R	AAAGGGCCCTAGAGCAAAAA
ACVR1C	F	TGCCACAATATCGGGTACAA
	R	CTCTTCCCCCACACTCAC
ACVR2A	F	ACACAGCCCACTTCAAATCC
	R	AGGAGGGTAGGCCATCTTGT
ACVR2B	F	CACTGGCAGACTGGAGTCAA
	R	TCCTCCAATCCACAAGAAG
GAPDH	F	GGTCTCCTCTGACTTCAACA
	R	AGCCAAATTCGTTGTCATAC
INHBA	F	CTTGAGGTTCCCTTGTGAGC
	R	GGGTAGGAAAGTGCTGTGA
INHBB	F	GTGACAGGTGGAACATGGTG
	R	TGCACGTCTAGGTTGAGTCG
MYC	F	GAGGCTATTCTGCCATTTG
	R	AGGCTGCTGGTTTTCCACTA
OTX2	F	CCCACTGTCAGATCCCTTGT
	R	ATGCCCCCAAAGTAGGAAGT
PMEPA1	F	TTTCCATCTCCTTTCCCCGC
	R	CCCGCCAACCCCAAATCTAT
TGFB1	F	CAACAATTCCTGGCGATACC
	R	CTAAGGCGAAAGCCCTCAAT
TGFB2	F	ATCCCCTGTAGCCCCATAAC
	R	GGCAAGTAGCTGATCCCAAA
TGFB3	F	CCTCTCTTCCCAGCTCACAC
	R	AATGGCTTCCACCCTCTTCT
TGFBRI	F	CAGCTCTGGTTGGTGTGAGA
	R	ATGTGAAGATGGGCAAGACC
TGFBRII	F	TTTTGTTTGGTCAGCACAGC
	R	TTTTGTGAACGTGGACTGGA
TGFBRIII	F	CAGTCCACATCCACCACAAG
	R	CACAGAACCCTCAGACACCA

Appendix Table S5 : detailed n and pvalues

Figure 1							
Figure 1C	n=7 per group						
DAOY	non group3 vs HDMB03	non group3 vs D458	non group3 vs MED1603	non group3 vs D283			
Psmad2/Actin	0,0135	< 0,0001	< 0,0001	0,0002			
	D283 vs MED1603	D283 vs D458	D283 vs HDMB03	D283 vs DAOY	D283 vs ONS76	D283 vs UW	
	0,0006	0,5221	0,0169	0,0041	0,007	0,0041	
	MED1603 vs D458	MED1603 vs HDMB03	MED1603 vs DAOY	MED1603 vs ONS	MED1603 vs UW		
	0,0006	0,0006	0,0006	0,0006	0,0006		
	D458 vs HDMB03	D458 vs DAOY	D458 vs ONS76	D458 vs UW			
	0,0006	0,0006	0,0012	0,0023			
	HDMB03 vs DAOY	HDMB03 vs ONS76	HDMB03 vs UW				
	0,1801	0,0169	0,0169				
Figure 1D	non group3 vs MED1603	non group3 vs D283	non group3 vs D458	non group3 vs HDMB03			
INHBB expression	0,0016	0,0016	0,0917	> 0,9999			
	non group3 vs MED1603	non group3 vs D283	non group3 vs D458	non group3 vs HDMB03			
TGFB3 expression	0,029	0,7443	0,2817	0,7483			
Figure 2							
Figure 2A							
DAOY	TGFb	ActB					n=5
Psmad2/Actin	0,0079	0,6825					
ONS	TGFb	ActB					n=4
Psmad2/Actin	0,0286	> 0,9999					
UW	TGFb	ActB					n=4
Psmad2/Actin	0,0286	0,0286					
HDMB03	TGFb	ActB					n=6
Psmad2/Actin	0,0119	0,0022					
D458	TGFb	ActB					n=5
Psmad2/Actin	0,1	0,0079					
1603MED	TGFb	ActB					n=3
Psmad2/Actin	0,7	0,7					
D283	TGFb	ActB					n=4
Psmad2/Actin	0,1	0,0286					
Fig 2B							
1603MED	Ab						n=4
Psmad2/Actin	0,000382311						
	FLST						n=4
	2,2781E-05						
Fig 2C							
1603MED							n=3
Psmad2/Actin	NCM vs. NCM+ab					0,35	
Psmad2/Actin	HD-CM vs. HD-CM+ab					0,2	
Psmad2/Actin	1603-CM vs NCM					0,05	
Psmad2/Actin	1603-CM vs HD-CM					0,05	
Psmad2/Actin	1603-CM vs 1603-CM+Ab					0,05	
Fig 2D	n=3						
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siINHBB						
expression						0,0013	
Fig 2E	n=8						
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siINHBB						
Psmad2/Actin						5,50897E-06	
Fig 2F	n=3						
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siINHBB						
growth curve						0,03	
Figure 3							
Figure 3A							
D458	ActB						n=3
Psmad2/Actin						0,000575283	
Figure 3B							
D458	ActB						n=3
growth curve						< 0,0001	
Figure 3C							
D458	ActB						n=3
G0-G1						0,0095	
S						0,0065	
G2+M						0,0732	
Figure 3D							
D458	ActB						n=3
cleaved-caspase3						0,0155	
Figure 3E							
D283	ActB						n=4
Psmad2/Actin						0,000294251	
Figure 3F							
D283	ActB						n=4
growth curve						< 0,0001	
Figure 3G							
D283	ActB						n=3
G0-G1						0,0023	
S						0,0027	
G2+M						0,7211	
Figure 3H							
D283	ActB						n=3
cleaved-caspase3						0,1453	

**Figure 4**

Figure 4A		n=3	
1603MED	LY	SB	
Psmad2/Actin			
24h	9,11709E-06	4,56647E-06	

Figure 4B		n=3	
1603MED	LY	SB	
growth curve	0,0023	0,0014	

Figure 4C		n=3	
1603MED	LY	SB	
G0-G1	0,0277	0,0302291	
S	0,0178	0,0259227	
G2+M	0,9898	0,863702	

Figure 4D		n=4	
1603MED	LY	SB	
cleaved-caspase3	0,0293	0,0262	

Figure 4E		n=3	
D283	LY	SB	
Psmad2/Actin	1,75241E-05	8,51551E-06	

Figure 4F		n=3	
D283	LY	SB	
growth curve	0,0002	< 0,0001	

Figure 4G		n=3	
D283	LY	SB	
G0-G1	0,2439	0,0960529	
S	0,0046	0,00437473	
G2+M	0,7114	0,828739	

Figure 4H		n=3	
D283	LY	SB	
cleaved-caspase3	0,0084	0,0048	

**Figure 5**

Figure 5D		n=3	
PMEPA1/Actin			
Group WNT vs. group SHH	0,893		
Group WNT vs. group 3	0,0014		
Group WNT vs. group 4	0,1395		
Group SHH vs. group 3	< 0,0001		
Group SHH vs. group 4	0,0007		
Group 3 vs. group 4	0,0349		

group WNT	group SHH	group 3	group 4
n=7	n=12	n=10	n=9

Figure 5G		n=4	
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1pool		
PMEPA1/Actine	0,0286		

Figure 5H		n=3	
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1pool		
growth curve	0,046		

Figure 5I		n=7	
D283	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1pool		
PMEPA1/Actine	0,0006		

Figure 5J		n=3	
D283	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1pool		
growth curve	0,0002		

**Figure 6**

Figure 6C		n=4	
PDX3	TGFb	ActB	
Psmad2/Actin	0,3143	0,0286	

Figure 6D		n=3	
PDX4	TGFb	ActB	
Psmad2/Actin	0,1	0,7	

Figure 6E		n=4	
PDX7	TGFb	ActB	
Psmad2/Actin	> 0,9999	0,0286	

Figure 6D		n=3	
PDX4	NCM vs. NCM+ab	0,25	
Psmad2/Actin	HD-CM vs. HD-CM+ab	0,25	
Psmad2/Actin	PDX4-CM vs NCM	0,05	
Psmad2/Actin	PDX4-CM vs HD-CM	0,05	
Psmad2/Actin	PDX4-CM vs PDX4-CM+Ab	0,05	

**Figure 7**

Figure 7A		n=3		
Ctrl vs Galu: Pvalue = 0,0001*** Ctrl vs Galu+Cis: Pvalue = 0,0096** Ctrl vs Cis: Pvalue = 0,1021 ns Galu vs Galu+Cis: Pvalue = 0,3441 ns Galu vs Cis: Pvalue = 0,0022** Galu+Cis vs Cis: Pvalue = 0,08 ns				

Figure 7B		n=3		
tumour size	CTRL vs. Cis	CTRL vs. Galu	CTRL vs. Galu+Cis	
CTRL n=10	0,0431	0,0574	0,0347	
	Cis n=10	Galua n=6	Galua + Cis n=7	

staining quantifications		n=3		
Psmad2/Total area	CTRL vs. Cis	CTRL vs. Galu	CTRL vs. Galu+Cis	
	0,5962	0,001	0,0085	

Figure EV1	
Fig EV1A	
ACTIN NORMALISATION	
Group WNT vs. group SHH	0,0098
Group WNT vs. group 3	0,0136
Group WNT vs. group 4	0,4575
Group SHH vs. group 3	< 0,0001
Group SHH vs. group 4	0,002
Group 3 vs. group 4	0,0522
SMAD NORMALISATION	
Group WNT vs. group SHH	0,0098
Group WNT vs. group 3	0,4028
Group WNT vs. group 4	0,2463
Group SHH vs. group 3	< 0,0001
Group SHH vs. group 4	0,0003
Group 3 vs. group 4	0,7655
WNT	n=7
SHH	n=12
Gp3	n=10
Gp4	n=9

Figure EV2			
Fig EV2A			
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siINHBB	siCTRL vs. siINHBB+ActB	siINHBB vs siINHBB+ActB
Psmad2/Actin	5,50897E-06	0,000014683	7,62238E-06
n=8			
Fig EV2B			
1603MED	SiCTRL - SiINHBB	SiINHBB vs. siINHBB+Ab	SiCTRL vs. SiINHBB+Ab
	0,0142	0,0195	0,294
n=3			

Figure EV3			
Fig EV3A			
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siINHBB	siCTRL vs. siINHBB+ActB	siINHBB vs siINHBB+ActB
Psmad2/Actin	5,50897E-06	0,000014683	7,62238E-06
PMEPA1/Actine	5,23228E-08	0,00624415	0,000258717
MYC/Actine	0,00118098	0,916968	0,103082
OTX2/Actine	0,914512	0,36956	0,426926
n=8			
Fig EV3B			
D283	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1#1	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1p#2	
PMEPA1/Actine	0,0006	0,0006	
n=7			
Fig EV3C			
D283	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1#1	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1p#2	
confluency	0,0003	0,0003	
n=7			
Fig EV3D			
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1#1	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1p#2	
PMEPA1/Actine	0,0286	0,0286	
n=4			
Fig EV3E			
1603MED	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1#1	siCTRL vs. siPMEPA1p#2	
cell number	0,0079	0,0357	
n=3			

Figure EV4			
Fig EV4A			
1603MED	Galu		
			0,0027
n=3			
D283			
	Galu		
			0,0013
n=3			
Fig EV4C			
1603MED			
Psmad2/Actin	GALU		
			0,000364399
PMEPA1/Actine			0,000483894
MYC/Actine			3,45566E-07
OTX2/Actine			0,617171
n=4			
D283			
Psmad2/Actin	GALU		
			8,40701E-07
PMEPA1/Actine			0,00578699
MYC/Actine			2,00173E-06
OTX2/Actine			0,596591
n=4			
PDX3			
Psmad2/Actin	GALU		
			2,16985E-10
PMEPA1/Actine			1,31706E-07
MYC/Actine			0,0110236
OTX2/Actine			0,0024861
n=3			
PDX4			
Psmad2/Actin	GALU		
			1,4963E-06
PMEPA1/Actine			1,05738E-07
MYC/Actine			0,0702494
OTX2/Actine			0,3786
n=3			
PDX7			
Psmad2/Actin	GALU		
			2,40096E-12
PMEPA1/Actine			0,000110627
MYC/Actine			0,00016205
OTX2/Actine			0,0090427
n=3			
Fig EV4E			
staining quantifications Psmad2/Total area	CTRL vs. Cis	CTRL vs. Galu	CTRL vs. Galu+Cis
Ki67	0,9134	0,5	0,4465
cc3	0,9134	0,0899	0,1304
CTRL n=12	Cis n=10	Galu n=6	Galu + Cis n=7

Appendix Figure S1					
Appendix Figure S1A	CTRL vs. ActB	CTRL vs. ActB+Ab-aActB	ActB vs. ActB+Ab-aActB	n=4	
Psmad2/Actin	0,0048	0,0048	0,0286		
	CTRL vs. ActB	ActB vs. ActB+LY	ActB vs. ActB+SB	ActB vs. ActB+Gal	n=4
	0,0079	0,0286	0,0286	0,0286	
Appendix Figure S1B					
Appendix Figure S1B	CTRL vs. TGFb	CTRL vs. TGFb+Ab-aActB	TGFb vs. TGFb+Ab-aActB	n=4	
Psmad2/Actin	0,0286	0,0286	0,8286		
	CTRL vs. TGFb	TGFb vs. TGFb+LY	TGFb vs. TGFb+SB	TGFb vs. TGFb+Gal	n=3
	0,05	0,05	0,05	0,05	
Appendix Figure S2					
Appendix Figure S2A	HDMB03	ActB	n=5		
Psmad2/Actin		0,0079			
Appendix Figure S2B	HDMB03	ActB	n=4		
Confluency		0,468			
Appendix Figure S3					
Appendix Figure S3C	1603MED	LY	SB	n=3	
PMEPA1/Actine		0,000255484	2,11743E-05		
MYC/Actine		0,00096581	0,00378772		
OTX2/Actine		0,476047	0,52631		
D283	LY	SB	n=4		
PMEPA1/Actine		2,32921E-06	3,51897E-06		
MYC/Actine		0,00360325	0,0246365		
OTX2/Actine		0,293633	0,623413		
D283	ActB	n=3			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,00029355			
MYC/Actine		0,343751			
OTX2/Actine		0,0132184			
D458	ActB	n=4			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,00368346			
MYC/Actine		0,0639103			
OTX2/Actine		0,000762444			
Appendix Figure S3D	1603MED	LY	SB	n=3	
Psmad2/Actin					
24h		9,11709E-06	4,56647E-06		
PMEPA1/Actine		0,00500923	0,0079822		
MYC/Actine		0,00283955	0,0152516		
OTX2/Actine		0,409986	0,220658		
1603MED	Ab	n=4			
Psmad2/Actin				FLST	
24h		0,000382311		2,2781E-05	
PMEPA1/Actine		8,11523E-06		0,00271064	
MYC/Actine		0,00831629		0,0958693	
OTX2/Actine		0,876512		0,386375	
D283	LY	SB	n=3		
Psmad2/Actin					
24h		1,75241E-05	8,51551E-06		
PMEPA1/Actine		0,00219095	0,0285833		
MYC/Actine		0,00194504	0,0413334		
OTX2/Actine		0,480343	0,238429		
D283	ActB	n=4			
Psmad2/Actin					
24h		0,000294251			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,000582275			
MYC/Actine		0,001534			
OTX2/Actine		0,0359888			
D458	ActB	n=3			
Psmad2/Actin					
24h		0,000575283			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,0337263			
MYC/Actine		0,119118			
OTX2/Actine		0,864227			
Appendix Figure S4					
Appendix Figure S4B	PDX3	LY	SB	n=7	
PMEPA1/Actine		7,58483E-10	8,45776E-09		
MYC/Actine		0,447207	0,462925		
OTX2/Actine		0,196957	0,00447424		
PDX4	LY	SB	n=5		
PMEPA1/Actine		5,32316E-08	5,16547E-09		
MYC/Actine		0,0110324	0,145839		
OTX2/Actine		0,73397	0,786599		
PDX7	LY	SB	n=4		
PMEPA1/Actine		0,00444009	0,00172518		
MYC/Actine		0,00264169	0,0748821		
OTX2/Actine		0,280295	0,54736		
PDX3	ActB	n=3			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,0672152			
MYC/Actine		0,0753677			
OTX2/Actine		0,0546868			
PDX7	ActB	n=3			
PMEPA1/Actine		0,216253			
MYC/Actine		0,113895			
OTX2/Actine		0,270416			
Appendix Figure S4C	PDX3	LY	SB	n=6	
Psmad2/Actin					
24h		7,36256E-08	6,45964E-07		
PMEPA1/Actine		0,000123149	0,000202419		
MYC/Actine		0,309977	0,0286538		
OTX2/Actine		0,518319	0,375461		
PDX4	LY	SB	n=3		

Psmad2/Actin		
24h	0,000268245	0,000708827
PMEPA1/Actine	0,000224456	9,04785E-06
MYC/Actine	0,386431	0,914608
OTX2/Actine	0,946689	0,343322

<b>PDX4</b>	<b>Ab</b>	n=4	<b>FLST</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Actin				
24h	0,00233629		1,25386E-05	
PMEPA1/Actine	0,00117035		1,5366E-05	
MYC/Actine	0,0184714		0,000015217	
OTX2/Actine	0,489486		0,00449743	

<b>PDX7</b>	<b>LY</b>		<b>SB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Actin				
24h	5,70068E-09		3,62086E-09	
PMEPA1/Actine	1,16054E-06		0,000352	
MYC/Actine	0,00158669		0,000403743	
OTX2/Actine	0,154355		0,17975	

<b>PDX3</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Actin		
24h	0,149101	
PMEPA1/Actine	0,0346483	
MYC/Actine	0,000885645	
OTX2/Actine	0,136323	

<b>PDX7</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=5
Psmad2/Actin		
24h	0,00283622	
PMEPA1/Actine	7,45566E-05	
MYC/Actine	0,00258122	
OTX2/Actine	0,156133	

**Appendix Figure S5**

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 1C

Psmad2/Smad2	D458 vs All	HDMB03 vs All	MED1603 vs all	D283 vs all
	0,0011	0,2685	< 0,0001	0,6494

n=8 per cell line

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 2A

<b>DAOY</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=5
Psmad2/Smad2	0,0079	0,6825	
<b>ONS</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,0286 > 0,9999		
<b>UW</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,0286	0,3143	
<b>HDMB03</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=6
Psmad2/Smad2	0,4405	0,0022	
<b>D458</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=5
Psmad2/Smad2	0,4643	0,0079	
<b>1603MED</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	0,1	0,1	
<b>D283</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,0286	0,0286	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 2B and S3D

<b>1603MED</b>	<b>Ab</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,000486899	
<b>FLST</b>		n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	3,64454E-05	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 2C

<b>1603MED</b>		n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	NCM vs. NCM+ab	0,3377
Psmad2/Smad2	HD-CM vs. HD-CM+ab	0,35
Psmad2/Smad2	1603-CM vs NCM	0,0119
Psmad2/Smad2	1603-CM vs HD-CM	0,0119
Psmad2/Smad2	1603-CM vs 1603-CM+Ab	0,05

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure EV2A

<b>1603MED</b>	<b>siCTRL vs. siINHBB</b>	<b>siCTRL vs. siINHBB+ActB</b>	<b>siINHBB vs siINHBB+ActB</b>
Psmad2/Smad2	5,33998E-05	0,0069216	0,000588218 n=8

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 3A

<b>D458</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	0,00151788	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 3E

<b>D283</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,00271302	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 4E and 4A

<b>D283</b>	<b>LY</b>	<b>SB</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	5,09217E-06	7,20888E-07	
<b>MED1603</b>	<b>LY</b>	<b>SB</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	2,21229E-06	2,6165E-06	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 6C

<b>PDX3</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,1587	0,0159	
<b>PDX4</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	0,7	0,7	
<b>PDX7</b>	<b>TGFb</b>	<b>ActB</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	0,3143	0,0286	

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure 6D

<b>PDX4</b>		n=3
Psmad2/Smad2	NCM vs. NCM+ab	0,375
Psmad2/Smad2	HD-CM vs. HD-CM+ab	0,35
Psmad2/Smad2	PDX4-CM vs NCM	0,0119
Psmad2/Smad2	PDX4-CM vs HD-CM	0,0119
Psmad2/Smad2	PDX4-CM vs PDX4-CM+Ab	0,05

Appendix Figure S5 - Figure EV4C

<b>1603MED</b>	<b>GALU</b>	n=4
Psmad2/Smad2	3,45566E-07	
<b>D283</b>	<b>GALU</b>	n=4

Psmad2/Smad2	1,78302E-05					
PDX3	GALU	n=6				
Psmad2/Smad2	1,10815E-14					
PDX4	GALU	n=3				
Psmad2/Smad2	1,72102E-05					
PDX7	GALU	n=3				
Psmad2/Smad2	1,08588E-09					
Appendix Figure S5 - Appendix Figure S1A						
Psmad2/Smad2	CTRL vs. ActB	0,0022	CTRL vs. ActB+Ab-aActB	0,0476	ActB vs. ActB+Ab-aActB	0,0087
Psmad2/Smad2	CTRL vs. ActB	0,0286	ActB vs. ActB+LY	0,0286	ActB vs. ActB+SB	0,0286
Psmad2/Smad2					ActB vs. ActB+GalU	0,0286
Appendix Figure S5 - Appendix Figure S1B						
Psmad2/Smad2	CTRL vs. TGFb	0,0079	CTRL vs. TGFb+Ab-aActB	0,0079	TGFb vs. TGFb+Ab-aActB	0,8571
Psmad2/Smad2	CTRL vs. TGFb	0,0286	TGFb vs. TGFb+LY	0,0286	TGFb vs. TGFb+SB	0,0286
Psmad2/Smad2					TGFb vs. TGFb+GalU	0,0286
Appendix Figure S5 - Appendix Figure S2A						
HDMB03	ActB	n=5				
Psmad2/Smad2		0,0079				
Appendix Figure S5 - Appendix Figure S4C						
PDX3	LY		SB			n=6
Psmad2/Smad2		1,34017E-08		5,04918E-06		
PDX4	LY		SB			n=3
Psmad2/Smad2		0,0010285		0,00183895		
PDX4	Ab	n=4			FLST	n=3
Psmad2/Smad2		0,00218201			2,36944E-07	
PDX7	LY		SB			n=4
Psmad2/Smad2		4,12389E-09		3,90988E-09		
PDX3	ActB	n=4				
Psmad2/Smad2		0,136817				
PDX7	ActB	n=5				
Psmad2/Smad2		0,000204885				

## Appendix Supplemental Figure legends

**Appendix Figure S1: Pharmacological inhibitors and blocking antibody specificity.** (A-B) WB analysis performed in D283 group 3 MB cell line (A) and UW228 non group 3 MB cell line (B). The level of phosphorylated Smad2 (P-Smad2) and total Smad2 (Smad2) was assessed by Immunoblot in response to DMSO or LY364947 or SB431542 or Galunisertib or ActivinB blocking antibody (Ab  $\alpha$ -ActB) after either ActivinB (ActB) or TGF $\beta$  stimulation for 1 hour.  $\beta$ -actin was used as a loading control. Right panel represents relative quantifications of the P-S2/  $\beta$ -actin. The p-values were determined by unpaired t-test. \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.001. Bars represent the mean  $\pm$  SD. Number of replicates is n $\geq$ 3.

**Appendix Figure S2: ActivinB stimulation does not promote growth in HDMB03 cells (A-B)** HDMB03 cell line was treated with PBS (vehicle, black) or with ActivinB (green). (A) Immunoblot of phosphorylated Smad2 (P-Smad2), total Smad2 and  $\beta$ -actin in response to ActivinB stimulation for 24 hours. Quantification of P-Smad2 (P-S2) to  $\beta$ -actin is shown on right panels. (B) Growth curve experiments showing cell proliferation upon ActivinB treatment. \*\*p < 0.01. Bars represent the mean  $\pm$  SD. Number of replicates is n $\geq$ 3.

**Appendix Figure S3: *PMEPA1* is a target gene of Activin signaling.** (A) Scatter plot of *INHBB* and *PMEPA1* gene expression levels in the 4 individual MB groups. Note that panel, corresponding to group 3 (yellow) is identical to that shown in Figure EV4E, except for the colour code (B) Scatter plots of P-Smad2 and *PMEPA1* protein levels in the 4 MB groups. (A-B) Colored dots represent each patient samples and colors represent the MB groups (WNT in blue, SHH in red, Group 3 in yellow and Group 4 in green). Spearman's rank correlation coefficient  $\rho$  and p-value are indicated on top. (C) RT-qPCR were performed on RNA extracted from 1603MED, D283 and D458 to compare expression levels of target genes upon inhibition and stimulation of TGF $\beta$ /Activin signaling by LY364947 or SB431542 inhibitors and ActivinB stimulation. Relative expression level to control is presented. (D) Quantification of the WB presented in Figure 5G. Bar graphs represent the relative quantifications of the indicated proteins relative to  $\beta$ -actin. Note that P-Smad2/ $\beta$ -actin quantification is identical to quantification in Figure 2B, 3A, 3E, 4A and 4E. The different treatments are indicated. The level in control conditions was set at 1. The p-values were determined by Spearman rank correlation test for A and B and unpaired t-test for C and D. Detailed statistics are presented in Appendix Table S3 for A. \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01 and \*\*\*p < 0.001. Bars represent the mean  $\pm$  SD. Number of replicates is n $\geq$ 3.

**Appendix Figure S4: TGF $\beta$ /ActivinB signaling in group 3 MB PDXs.** (A) Relative mRNA expression of TGF $\beta$ /ActivinB different mediators in G3 PDXs and cell lines. Expression in HDMB03 was set at 1. RT-qPCR were performed on RNA extracted from Group 3 MB cell lines and PDXs as indicated to compare the expression levels of mediators of the TGF $\beta$ /ActivinB pathway in the different PDXs in regards to cell lines: *INHBA*, *TGFB1*, *TGFB2*, *TGFB3*, *ACVR1B*, *ACVR1C*, *ACVR2A*, *ACVR2B*, *TGFBR1* and *TGFBR2*. (B) RT-qPCR were performed on RNA extracted from Group 3 MB cell lines and PDXs to compare relative expression of target genes upon inhibition or stimulation of TGF $\beta$ /Activin signaling by LY364947 and SB431542 inhibitors and ActivinB stimulation. Expression in control condition was set at 1. Detailed statistics are presented in Appendix Table S2. (C) Quantification of WB presented in Figure 6E. The relative level to  $\beta$ -actin is presented for the different proteins. The level in control conditions was set at 1. The p-values were determined by unpaired t-test. \*p < 0.05, \*\*p < 0.01 and \*\*\*p < 0.001. Bars represent the mean  $\pm$  SD. Number of replicates is n $\geq$ 3.

**Appendix Figure S5: P-Smad2/Total Smad2 normalization**

The P-Smad2/Total Smad2 normalization is provided for all relevant WB in the manuscript figures as indicated by the corresponding Figure panel number. Code colors as well as numbers below the plots are identical to those in the corresponding figure panels.

## **Appendix Supplemental Table legends**

### **Appendix Table S1:** Statistics related to Figure 1B, 5B-C and EV1B

Statistics related to transcriptomic analyses on dataset from "Data ref: Cavalli et al, 2017". (Cancer Cell. 2017; 31(6):737-754.e6. doi: 10.1016/j.ccell.2017.05.005.)

### **Appendix Table S2:** Statistics related to Figure 1D, 6B and EV1D and Appendix Figure S4A

Statistics related to RT-qPCR experiments assessing expression levels of the TGF $\beta$ /ActivinB signaling pathway mediators performed in cell lines and PDX

### **Appendix Table S3:** Statistics related to Figure 7D-E

Spearman correlation ( $\rho$  and p-values) related to the analyses performed on dataset from "Data ref: Cavalli et al, 2017" (Cancer Cell. 2017; 31(6):737-754.e6. doi: 10.1016/j.ccell.2017.05.005.) for INHBB, PMEPA1, MYC and NRL.

**Appendix Table S4:** Sequences of the oligonucleotides used in this study for RT-qPCR experiments

**Appendix Table S5:** Exact p-values and number of replicates for each experiment.

The exact p-values and number of replicates corresponding to the relevant figures and panels are provided.