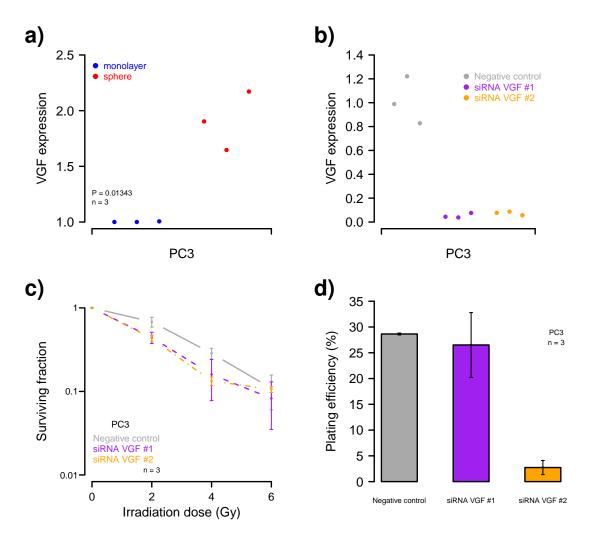
S9 Figure: Validation of VGF in prostate cancer cell line PC3.



S9 Figure: Additional validation of VGF in the prostate cancer cell line PC3. (a) VGF expression in sphere cultures relative to monolayer cultures. Measurements were obtained by RT-qPCR for three biological replicates (S7 Table). See S8 Figure for microscope images of PC3 grown under monolayer and sphere conditions. (b) Efficiency of VGF knockdowns by siRNA VGF #1 and siRNA VGF #2 relative to negative control (scrambled siRNAs). Measurements were obtained by RT-qPCR for three biological replicates (S7 Table). Both knockdowns led to a significant reduction of VGF expression in PC3 (one-sided t-tests: P < 0.0001). (c) Clonogenic survival analysis for irradiation doses from 0 to 6 Gy (S7 Table). VGF knockdowns moderately radiosensitize PC3 cells in comparison to the negative control (e.g. one-sided t-tests for siRNA VGF #2 vs. negative control: P = 0.04881 at 2 Gy and P = 0.02918 at 4 Gy). Error bars represent the standard error of the mean. Three biological replicates were considered for this analysis. The increase of the orange curve at 6 Gy compared to 4 Gy can be explained by the very low plating efficiency for siRNA VGF #2 knockdowns of VGF (d) leading to too few surviving cells for a robust evaluation at 6 Gy. (d) Plating efficiency of PC3 cells before irradiation. Error bars represent the standard error of the mean. Three biological replicates were considered.