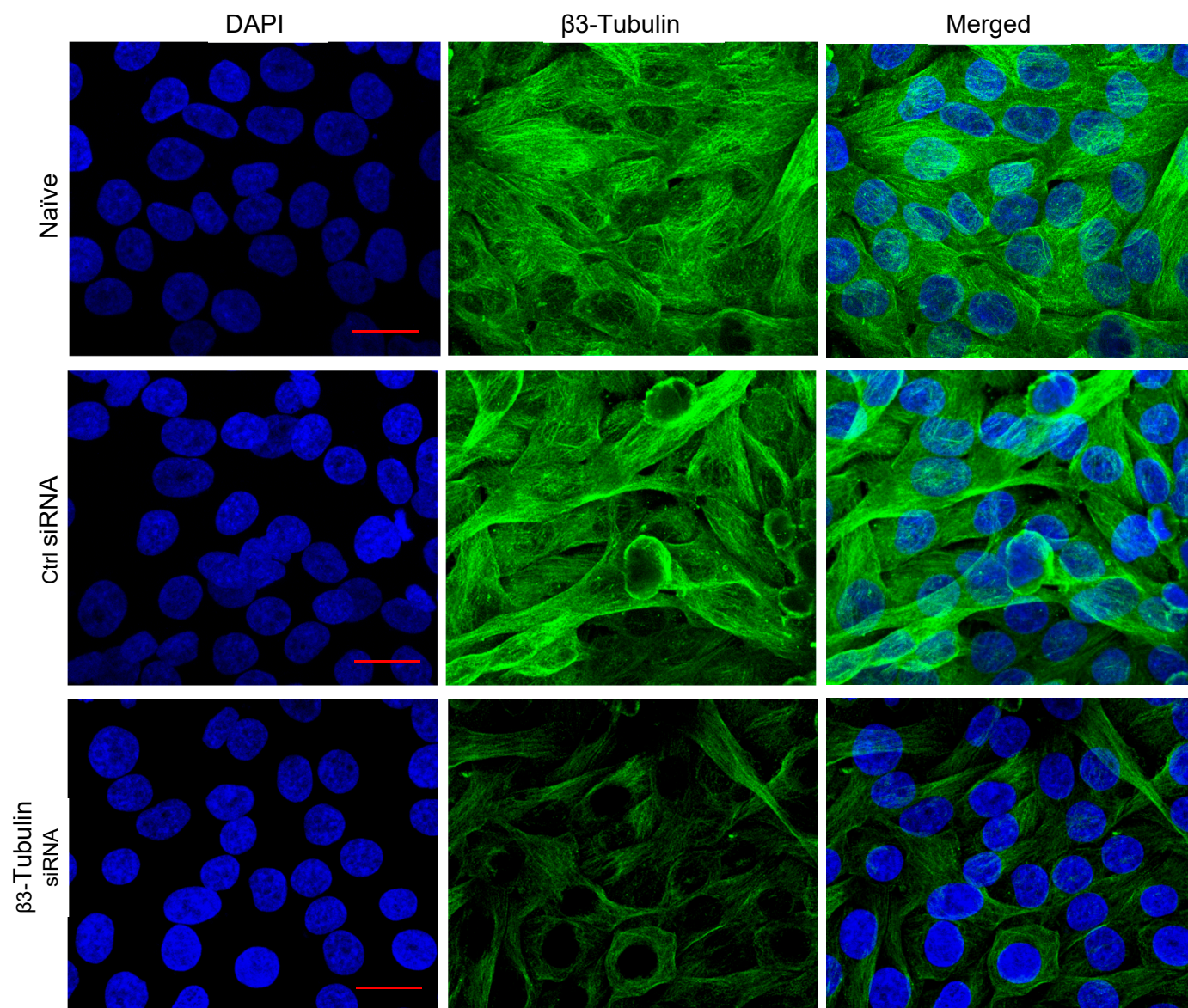
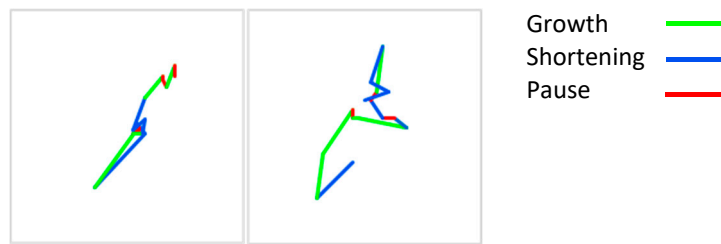


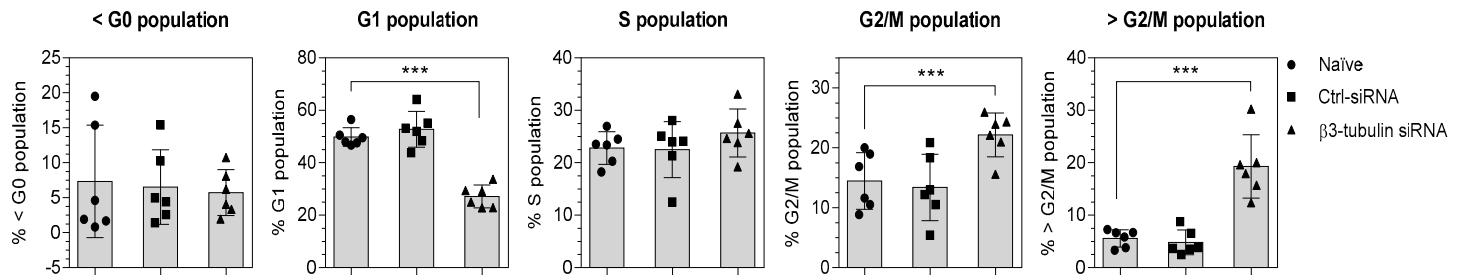
## Supplementary data



**Supplemental figure S1. siRNA knockdown of  $\beta$ 3-tubulin in A375 melanoma cells.** Naïve, control (ctrl)-, and  $\beta$ 3-tubulin siRNA-treated cells were immunostained with antibodies specific for  $\beta$ 3-tubulin (green), and DAPI (blue) was used as nuclear DNA counterstain. Original magnification  $\times 630$  (bar, 20  $\mu$ m).



**Supplemental figure S2.** Two representative traces of the Microtubules (MT) +ends displacement obtained by computer-assisted hand clicking using ImageJ software (Manual tracking plugin, <https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/plugins/track/track.html>).



**Supplemental figure S3. Cell cycle analysis.**  $\beta$ 3-tubulin knockdown redistributed cell cycle growth phases and induced G2/M cell cycle arrest. A375 melanoma cells were stained with Propidium Iodide (PI) and Cell cycle analysis was performed using a flow cytometer (Guava® easyCyte; MilliporeSigma). Data analysis was carried out using FlowJo v10.6.1 software. Statistical significance was determined between different groups using ANOVA with Tukey's correction for multiple comparisons.  $N = 6$ , \*\*\*,  $P < 0.001$ . versus naïve cells.

**Supplemental table S1:** MT dynamic parameters in the human skin malignant melanoma cells (A375). Data demonstrate the difference in MT+ends growth, shortening, pause frequency and dynamicity among naïve, control,  $\beta$ 3-tubulin siRNA transfected cells. Asterisks indicate \*,  $P < 0.05$ , \*\*\*,  $P < 0.001$  Student t-test versus naïve values.

Naïve					
Microtubules (MT)	Growth ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Shortening ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Pause frequency ( $\text{min}^{-1}$ )	Total MT+ends distance +, growth; -, shortening ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Dynamicity ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )
MT1	35.67	29.36	32	-1.57	65.03
MT2	57.82	27.99	36	-7.45	85.82
MT3	18.55	32.22	32	3.41	50.78
MT4	22.54	49.05	28	6.62	71.59
MT5	17.97	39.28	36	5.32	57.25
MT6	34.78	30.58	32	-1.04	65.36
MT7	38.66	45.82	36	4.79	84.48
MT8	31.15	20.46	40	-2.67	51.62
MT9	21.22	47.69	28	6.61	68.91
MT10	44.41	28.46	36	-3.98	72.87
<b>Mean</b>	<b>32.277</b>	<b>35.091</b>	<b>33.6</b>	<b>1.004</b>	<b>67.371</b>
Control siRNA					
Microtubules (MT)	Growth ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Shortening ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Pause frequency ( $\text{min}^{-1}$ )	Total MT+ends distance +, growth; -, shortening ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Dynamicity ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )
MT1	35.38	20.44	44	3.73	55.82
MT2	41.78	32.05	24	2.43	73.84
MT3	28.53	42.62	40	-3.52	71.16
MT4	23.50	29.19	36	-1.42	52.71
MT5	25.56	20.91	32	1.16	46.47
MT6	51.36	22.08	32	7.32	73.45
MT7	38.46	25.15	32	3.32	63.62
MT8	40.39	33.11	32	1.82	73.51
MT9	41.64	43.33	32	-0.42	84.98
MT10	38.35	51.76	40	-3.35	90.12
<b>Mean</b>	<b>36.495</b>	<b>32.064</b>	<b>34.4</b>	<b>1.107</b>	<b>68.568</b>
$\beta$ 3-tubulin siRNA					
Microtubules (MT)	Growth ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Shortening ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )	Pause frequency ( $\text{min}^{-1}$ )	Total MT+ends distance +, growth; -, shortening ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Dynamicity ( $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ )
MT1	12.38	18.19	40	-1.45	30.58
MT2	18.27	19.35	32	-0.26	37.62
MT3	16.06	19.19	44	-0.78	35.25
MT4	17.26	14.31	44	0.74	31.56
MT5	17.77	17.43	40	0.08	35.21
MT6	19.44	20.23	36	-0.19	39.67
MT7	18.04	14.41	44	0.91	32.46
MT8	21.31	19.97	36	0.33	41.28
MT9	23.27	9.93	44	3.33	33.21
MT10	30.74	12.64	40	3.52	43.38
<b>Mean</b>	<b>19.454***</b>	<b>16.565***</b>	<b>40*</b>	<b>0.623***</b>	<b>36.022***</b>