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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	No statistical methods were used to predetermine sample size for experimentation. For bioinformatics, we used all available RNA-seq data associated with a study or cohort unless specified in the text or supplementary information. For RNA-seq experiments of cell cultures and xenograft tumors, we used three and five biological replicates, respectively. For in vivo therapeutic experiments, we initially implanted 10-15 tumors in castrated NOD/SCID or NSG mice individually per experiment and utilized ones that pass randomization. For in vitro cell-based assays, three technical replicates were included for each experiment, and the experiment was repeated independently at least twice for each assay. For all qPCR analysis, three technical replicates were included for each sample, and data shown for qPCR analysis was from one experiment that was representative of more than equal to two independent experiments. The splicing RT-PCR was performed on at least two to five biological samples.
Data exclusions	No data was excluded from any presented data, unless specified in text or supplementary information. For example, some data was excluded for further bioinformatic analysis due to limitations in either data quality or associated clinical information.
Replication	Using the data quality parameters described above, all experiments shown in the manuscript were reliably reproducible.
Randomization	CRPC xenografts were first implanted in castrated male mice and then subjected to randomization when tumor size reached 150~200 mm ³ using a calculation of 1/2 (length × width ²). Mice were then randomly assigned to vehicle and treatment groups.
Blinding	Investigators were blind to group allocation. For animal study, randomization was done. For bioinformatic analysis, group classification was based on relevant results.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used	AR Mouse mAb Santa Cruz SC-7305 441 c-MYC Rabbit mAb Abcam Ab32072 Y69 Ki67 Rabbit pAb Leica Biosystems NCL-Ki67p Clone MM1
Validation	All these antibodies are routinely used in our laboratory for years and have been validated for their specificity (which is evidenced in our recent publications: Li Q., et al., Nat Commun 2018 PMID: 30190514; and Li Q., et al., Nat Commun 2019 PMID: 31792211). The IHC staining results were also provided in this manuscript.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	Cell line (LNCaP, PC3, RWPE1, DU145) were commercially obtained from American Type Cell Culture (ATCC). LAPC9 xenograft line was initially provided by Dr. Robert Reiter (UCLA).
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Authentication	All cell cultures were regularly authenticated by our institutional CCSG Cell Line Characterization Core using short tandem repeat analysis and checked to be free of mycoplasma contamination using the Agilent (Santa Clara, CA) MycoSensor QPCR Assay Kit (catalogue number 302107).
Mycoplasma contamination	No mycoplasma contamination detected.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	No commonly misidentified cells were used.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals	Male immunodeficient mice with age around 8-10 weeks, NOD/SCID (non-obese diabetic/severe combined immunodeficiency) and NOD/SCID-IL2R γ -/- (NSG) were used in this study and they were originally obtained from the Jackson Laboratory. We maintained a breeding colony in standard conditions in our animal facilities. Male FVB-C-MYC mice aged from 2weeks to 9 month are involved in this study.
Wild animals	No wild animals were used in this study.
Field-collected samples	No Field-collected samples were used in this study.
Ethics oversight	The Laboratory Animal Shared Resource (LASR) at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center.

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation	Cell cultures were treated with E7107 at varying concentrations for 2-3 days.
Instrument	BD FACSAria
Software	Diva v8.0.1
Cell population abundance	We only used FACS to gauge the relative size of cells treated with or without the drug, so cell abundance was high.
Gating strategy	Propidium iodide (PI) was added before FACS analysis to separate viable from dead cells. All live cells were used for analysis.

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