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Supplementary Materials for

Suppression of adenosine-to-inosine (A-to-I) RNA editome by death associated protein 3 (DAP3) promotes cancer progression

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Supplementary Materials and Methods

Fluorescence imaging. EC109 Cells were cultured on coverslips and washed with phosphatebuffered saline (PBS; 10 mM phosphate, 137 mM NaCl and 2.7 mM potassium chloride (KCl)) before fixation with methanol for 10 minutes (mins) at room temperature. Fixed cells were washed with PBS thrice 3 mins each. Subsequently, cells were permeabilized with 0.5% Triton-X100 in PBS for 10 min, followed by three washes with 1 × PBS at every 5 min interval. Cells were blocked in 5% BSA in PBS buffer for 1 h at RT. Cells were incubated overnight at 4°C, with the following primary antibodies: rabbit anti-DAP3 (1:100; Sigma HPA023687), mouse anti-ADAR2 (1:50; Sigma SAB1405426) and mouse anti-TOMM20 (1:300, Santa Cruz). Cells were washed thrice with 0.1% Tween-20 in PBS (PBST), following secondary antibodies incubation for 1 h at RT: goat anti-mouse IgG-fluorescein conjugate (1: 1,000; Invitrogen #62– 6511) and goat anti-rabbit IgG-rhodamine conjugate (1: 1,000; Invitrogen #31660); followed by three washes with PBST. The coverslips were mounted onto slides using SlowFade Gold antifade mountant with DAPI (Thermo Fisher Scientific) and viewed under Zeiss Axio Imager M2 microscope.

eCLIP analysis

The eCLIP experiment was performed as previously described (*58,59*). Briefly, 20 million of EC109 cells were UV crosslinked, fragmented and immunoprecipitated using control IgG or DAP3 antibody. Then the bound protein-RNA was subjected to gel electrophoresis and membrane transfer. Bound RNA on the membrane corresponding to the size of DAP3 and 70kDa above were extracted and further processed with adaptor ligation. The cDNA library was prepared by revere transcription and sequenced by paired-end sequencing HiSeq4000 platform at Novogene. The sequencing data was processed as previously described (*58,59*). Peaks with fold-enrichment (4-fold) and significance (p-value <0.001) in immunoprecipitation versus paired size-matched input were defined as significant binding peaks. The distance between DAP3-regulated editing sites and their corresponding nearest DAP3-binding eCLIP peaks was analyzed by closest bedtools v2.29.2 (*60*). The bioinformatic analysis pipelines are accessible through CSI NGS portal (https://csibioinfo.nus.edu.sg/csingsportal/login/home.php) (*61*).



Supplementary Figures and Figure Legends

Fig. S1 DAP3 interacts with ADAR2 in the nucleus. (A, B) Immunofluorescence (IF) staining of EC109 cells by antibodies against TOMM20 (A) or ADAR2 (B) (green) and DAP3 (red). Cell nuclei were stained with DAPI (blue). Scale bar, 20 μ m. (C) Co-IP analysis of the nuclear and cytoplasmic fractions of EC109 cells transfected with GFP-tagged DAP3 and the V5-tagged full-length (FL), N1 and N2 mutants of ADAR2. IP was conducted using a GFP-Trap system. WB analysis of GFP-pulldown products was conducted using V5 and GFP antibodies. The α -tubulin (cytoplasmic control) and Fibrillarin (nucleic control) were analyzed in the input after fractionation and 1% of the total cell lysate was loaded as an input control.



Fig. S2 Knockdown of *DAP3* does not give pronounced effects on the expression of ADARs. WB analysis of DAP3, ADAR1 (p150 and p110 isoforms) and ADAR2 expression in EC109 cells transfected with the indicated amount of *DAP3* sh1, sh2 or shScr control constructs. β -actin (Actin) was used as a loading control.



Fig. S3 Transcriptome-wide A-to-I RNA editing analysis in three RNA-Seq datasets. Pie charts showing the percentage of editing sites which are stratified into five groups based on their editing frequency in samples (10-20%, 20-40%, 40-60%, 60-80% and 80-100%) from three RNA-Seq datasets including our scramble control EC109 and KYSE180 cells (EC109 Scr and KYSE180 Scr) (n=2), HEK293 wildtype cells (HEK293 WT) (n=6), and randomly selected normal esophagus mucosa samples from the Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) database (n=10), respectively.







Fig. S5 DAP3 is a potent editing repressor in cancer cells.

(A) WB analysis of DAP3 expression in stable *DAP3*-knockdown Huh7 and SNU398 cells (left panel). β-actin (Actin) was used as a loading control. Sanger sequencing chromatograms illustrate editing of *MAGT1*, *RPL7L1*, and *ARSD* transcripts in the indicated stable knockdown cells (right panel). (B) WB analysis of DAP3 expression in stable *DAP3*-knockdown U251 cells (left panel). β-actin (Actin) was used as a loading control. Sanger sequencing chromatograms illustrate editing of *DHFR*, *CDK10*, *NOM1* and *TMEM170A* transcripts in the indicated stable knockdown cells (right panel). (A, B) Percentage represents the editing frequency calculated by taking the peak area of 'G' peak over sum of 'A' and 'G' peaks. Arrow indicates position of editing.



Fig. S6 DAP3 does not directly bind to HTR2C or MAGT1 RNA duplexes.

(A) Predicted RNA second structures of *HTR2C* and *MAGT1* probes used in RNA electrophoresis mobility shift assay (REMSA) analysis by RNAfold. Minimum free energy (MFE) structures drawing encoding base-pair probabilities are shown. Base-pair probabilities are shown by a colour spectrum. (B) Biotinylated *MAGT1* and *HTR2C* RNA probes were subjected to REMSA with the addition of purified DAP3 protein in a dose-dependent manner (40, 80, 160, and 240ng). The binding of purified ADAR2 protein to RNA probes serves as a positive control. The ratio of biotin-labelled and unlabeled (competitor) RNA probes is 1:100.



Fig. S7 eCLIP-Seq analysis of DAP3-binding sites on its target RNAs.

(A) Violin plot showing the distance between DAP3-regulated A-to-I editing sites and the nearest DAP3-binding eCLIP peaks in EC109 cells. The y-axis shows the distance (base pair) in log10 scale. (B) IGV tracks of normalized read density of the DAP3 eCLIP data in *MAGT1*, *DHFR*, *CDK10*, *NOM1*, *TMEM170A*, *MDM4* and *LIMD1* gene. IgG control and two biological replicates of DAP3 eCLIP are shown. The red dash lines indicate the position of DAP3-repressed editing sites. Read densities are shown as reads per million (RPM).



Fig. S8 DAP3 functions as an oncogene in HCC.

(A, B) Quantification of foci formation (A) or soft agar colony formation (B) induced by the indicated stable *DAP3*-knockdown (*DAP3* sh1 and sh2) and control (shScr) Huh7 cells. (C, D) Quantification of foci formation (C) or soft agar colony formation (D) induced by the indicated stable *DAP3*-knockdown (*DAP3* sh1 and sh2) and control (shScr) SNU398 cells. (A-D) Data is presented as the mean \pm s.d. of duplicate wells from a representative experiment. Statistical significance is determined by unpaired, two-tailed Student's *t*-test (*, *p*<0.05).



Fig. S9 Protein recoding editing of *PDZD7* **gene can be regulated by ADAR1 and ADAR2.** Sequence chromatograms show the editing of *PDZD7* transcripts in EC109 cells transfected with ADAR1 or ADAR2 or control expression construct. Percentage represents the editing frequency calculated by taking the peak area of 'G' peak over sum of 'A' and 'G' peaks. Arrow indicates position of editing.



Fig. S10 PDZD7 is edited in clinical samples. Sanger Sequencing chromatograms showing the editing of *PDZD7* stop codon in 46 matched ESCC tumor and non-tumor tissues. Arrow indicates position of editing.



Fig. S11 Editing of *PDZD7* reduces its oncogenic ability in KYSE180 cells.

(A) Sequence chromatograms show the editing of *PDZD7* in the indicated stable cells. (B) PDZD7 protein level was analyzed by WB in KYSE180 cells stably expressing PDZD7^{WT}, PDZD7^{Stop518W}, or co-expressing PDZD7^{WT} and PDZD7^{Stop518W}. Actin was used as a loading control for WB. (C) Sequence chromatograms show the editing of *PDZD7* in the indicated stable cells. Percentage represents the editing frequency calculated by taking the peak area of 'G' peak over sum of 'A' and 'G' peaks. Arrow indicates position of editing. (D, E) Quantification of foci formation (D) or soft agar colony formation (E) induced by the indicated stable cells. Data are presented as the mean \pm s.d. of triplicate wells from a representative experiment. Statistical significance is determined by unpaired, two-tailed Student's *t*-test (*, *p*<0.05, **, *p*<0.01).

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