

**Supplemental Figure S1: Cerberus ligand binding affinities.** (A) BMP-7wtCer-Fc binding. wtCer-Fc was immobilized on the SPR sensor chip and different concentrations of BMP-7 were injected as shown. (B) BMP-7-mutCer-Fc binding. mutCer-Fc was immobilized and BMP-7 was injected as shown. (C) BMP-7-CerS-Fc binding. CerS-Fc was immobilized and BMP-7 was injected. Overall, the binding rate constant for BMP-7 is faster than BMP-6, but slower than Activin B. The dissociation rate constant is faster. Data fitting was more problematic for BMP-7, likely due to fast association and fast dissociation rates. Therefore only lower concentrations of BMP-7 were used in evaluation. Fitted curves are superimposed and shown as black lines. (D) Comparison of BMP-7 binding to wtCer-Fc, mutCer-Fc, CerS-Fc. Equal amounts of wtCer-Fc, mutCer-Fc and CerS-Fc were immobilized on the SPR sensor chip, and 80 nM BMP-7 were injected. wtCer-Fc (red curves), mutCer-Fc (blue curves) and CerS-Fc (green curves) show similar binding profiles, the binding rate of mutCer-Fc is faster.



Supplemental Figure S2: Cerberus inhibition of Nodal. A) Cerberus inhibition of Nodal-Cripto-1 binding. (B) Cerberus inhibition of Nodal-BMPRII binding. BMPRII-Fc, or Cripto-1-Fc were immobilized on a sensor chip and 80 nM Nodal pre-incubated with 4  $\mu$ M Fc free Cerberus (Nodal alone, red; Nodal + wtCer, black; Nodal + mutCer, green; Nodal + CerS, blue) was injected.



Supplemental Figure S3: Inhibition of MDA-MB-231 breast cancer cell migration. MDA-MB-231 breast cancer cells were plated in Ibidi insert dishes and grown to 80% confluence. Inserts were removed to create a gap and medium was exchanged with complete medium containing 2.5  $\mu$ g/ml Mitomycin C and (A) 0 mg/ml (control) or 10 mg/ml (approximately 15 nM) (B) wtCer-Fc, (C) TGF $\beta$ RII-Fc, (D) ActRIIA-Fc, (E) ActRIIB-Fc, (F) BMPRII-Fc, (G) 0.5  $\mu$ M SB-431542, and (H) 5  $\mu$ M SB-431542. Images were taken after insert removal (0 h) and after 24 h incubation with inhibitors (24 h).



Supplemental Figure S4: Inhibition of MDA-MB-231 breast cancer cell migration with Fc free Cerberus. MDA-MB-231 breast cancer cells were plated in Ibidi insert dishes and grown to 80% confluence. Inserts were removed to create a gap and medium was exchanged with complete medium containing 2.5  $\mu$ g/ml Mitomycin C and (A) wtCer, (B) mutCer, (C) CerS. Images were taken after insert removal (0 h) and after 24 h incubation with Fc-free Cerberus constructs (24 h).

## Rate equations used in biaevaluation for fitting of mass transport limited models

(1)  $A + B \leftrightarrow AB$  (1:1 reaction model)

(2) 
$$A_{SOL} \stackrel{k_t}{\leftrightarrow} A_{SUR} + B \stackrel{k_a}{\leftrightarrow} AB$$
 (1:1 reaction model with mass transport)

(3)  $dA/dt = k_t^*(A_{SOL}-A_{SUR}) - (k_a^* A_{SUR}^*B - k_d^*AB)$  $A[t_0] = 0 (M)$ 

> $dB/dt = - (k_a^* A_{SUR}^*B - k_d^*AB)$ B[t\_0] = Rmax (Maximum analyte binding capacity)

 $dAB/dt = (k_a^* A_{SUR}^*B - k_d^*AB)$  $AB[t_0] = 0 (M)$ 

(4) 
$$k_t = k_m^* MW^* 10^{-9}$$

A 1:1 Langmuir interaction model (eq. 1) with a simplified expression for mass transfer limitation (eqs. 2, 3) as implemented in biaevaluation software was used. This model introduces an expression for dA/dt, the rate of change in concentration of analyte A, where  $A_{SUR}$  represents the concentration of analyte near the surface that can bind ligand (Cerberus) and  $A_{SOL}$  represents the bulk concentration of analyte in solution (Activin B, BMP-7, BMP-6 or Nodal). The model produces a mass transfer rate constant  $k_t$ , which is related to the mass transport coefficient  $k_m$  (eq. 4).