

# Supplementary Figure S1. NCB-0846 regulates the expression of EMT-related genes.

A549 cells were treated with DMSO alone (control), TGF $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/mL) and DMSO, TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0846 (3  $\mu$ M), or TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0970 (3  $\mu$ M) for 48 hours, and the relative expression levels of the E-cadherin (*CDH1*), N-cadherin (*CDH2*), and vimentin (*VIM*) genes were quantified (normalized to *ACTB*) in triplicate by qRT-PCR. The mean values for cells treated with DMSO alone are set to one. Error bars represent SD.



### Supplementary Figure S2. Real-time monitoring of cell migration using the xCELLigence system.

The migration of A549 cells into denuded wound areas was monitored by measuring the electrical impedance of cell monolayers in the presence of DMSO (control), TGF $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/mL) and DMSO (vehicle), TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0846 (3  $\mu$ M), or TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0970 (3  $\mu$ M) for 40 hours. The impedance before scratching is set at 100%. Error bars indicate SD of triplicate experiments.



# Supplementary Figure S3. Real-time monitoring of cell invasion using the xCELLigence system.

A549 cells were seeded onto a Cell Invasion and Migration (CIM)-plate precoated with Matrigel in triplicate, and cell invasion was monitored for 40 hours in the presence of DMSO (control), TGF $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/mL) and DMSO (vehicle), TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0846 (3  $\mu$ M), or TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0970 (3  $\mu$ M). Error bars indicate SD of triplicate experiments.



# Supplementary Figure S4. Effects of NCB-0846 on the expression of Wnt signal target gene products and cancer stem cell markers.

(a) Immunoblot analysis of TNIK, TNIK phosphorylated at the 465/467 serine residues (pTNIK), Axin1, Axin2, cMYC, and  $\gamma$ -tubulin (loading control) in A549 cells treated with DMSO alone (control), TGF $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/mL) and DMSO, TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0846 (3  $\mu$ M), or TGF $\beta$ 1 and NCB-0970 (3  $\mu$ M) for 48 hours.

(b) Immunoblot analysis of cancer stem cell markers (CD133, CD44, and ALDH1) in A549 cells treated as indicated.



### Supplementary Figure S5. NCB-0846 blocks TGFβ1-induced SMAD transcriptional activity.

A549 cells transfected with SBE-luciferase reporter plasmid were treated with DMSO (control) or TGF- $\beta$ 1 (2 ng/ml) for 60 minutes and with NCB-0846 or NCB-970 at the indicated concentrations for 5 hours, and their luciferase activities were measured. All the quantitative data are shown as the mean  $\pm$  SD of three independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure S6. *TGFBR1* knockdown affects the localization of EMT-related proteins.

Following 12-hour serum starvation, A549 cells were transfected with control siRNA (siNC) or siRNA for *TGFBR1* (siT $\beta$ RI) and treated with TGF $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/ml) for 48 hours. The expression and localization of E-cadherin, pSMAD2/3, ZEB1, and Snail were determined by immunofluorescence microscopy (green). The nuclei are stained with TOTO-3 (blue), and filamentous actin is stained with phalloidin (red). Scale bar represents 20 µm.

Mature miRNA Sequence

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5' AAAAGCUGGGUUGAGAGGGCAA 3' 5' AAAAGCUGGGUUGAGAGGGCGA 3' miR-320b miR-320a 5' CAAAGAAUUCUCCUUUUGGCUG 3' miR-186 miR-320d 5' AAAAGCUGGGUUGAGAGGA 3' TGFBR1 mRNA (NM-001130916) 4916 0 TGFBR1 Target site 1 2 3 4 5 3'UTR b TGFBR1(1-12) 5' TTCTA - - - CAGCTTTG Target site 1 : | | | miR-320d 3' AGGAGAGUUGGGUCGAAAA Target TGFBR1 (900-24) 5' TTGAATATTCTCACATCAAGCTTTT site 2 1:1 miR-320a 3' AGCGG--GAGAGU-UGGGUCGAAAA TGFBR1(900-24) 5' TTGAATATTCTCACATCAAGCTTTT 3' AACGG--GAGAGU-UGGGUCGAAAA miR-320b TGFBR1 (1311-40) 5' GGTCT C ACTACACTTTGAGGAAGGCAGCTTTT Target site 3 | :||| | || ..... miR-320a.b 3' CGGGA G AGUUGG------GUCGAAAA TGFBR1(1310-40) 5' AGGTCTC-ACTACACTTTGAGGAAGGCAGCTTTT |||| ||: 11111111 miR-320d 3' AGGAGAGUUGG ---GUCGAAAA Target TGFBR1 (4054-76) 5' TGTATTTGTGCAGGATTCTTTA site 4 | ||:|||||| miR-186 3' UCGGGUUUUCCUCUUAAGAAAC Target TGFBR1 (4806-41) 5' TTCCTTATAACAA A GACATCACCAGGATATGAAGCTTTT : | | | : : | | | site 5 111111 miR-320a.b 3' CGGGAGAGUUGGG - -----UCGAAAA TGFBR1(4804-41) 5' TCCTTATAACAAAGACATCACCAGGATATGAAGCTTTT : | | | : : | | | 111111 miR-320d 3' AGGAGAGUUGGG------UCGAAAA

#### Supplementary Figure S7. TGFBR1-targeting miRNAs

(a) Sequences of mature miR-320 (a, b, and d) and miR-186 and schematic representation of their predicted binding sites to the 3'-UTR of the *TGFBR1* gene.

(b) Alignment of the 3'-UTR sequences of the *TGFBR1* gene with miR-320 (a, b, and d) and miR-186.

#### **Supplementary Figure S7**