#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

# piR-39980 mediates doxorubicin resistance in fibrosarcoma by regulating drug accumulation and DNA repair

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Supplementary Figure 1: Expression of piR-39980 in HT1080 cells compared to IMR90 cells. Bars, mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 5 independent experiments; \*\*P < 0.01, t test.



Supplementary Figure 2: Relative expression of piR-39980 in HT1080 cells transfected with 20 nM piR-39980 mimics compared with untransfected control and NC\_Mimic. Bars, mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 5 independent experiments; ns = non-significant, \*\*\*P < 0.001, Tukey's multiple comparisons test.



Supplementary Figure 3: Relative expression of piR-39980 in HT1080 cells transfected with 20 nM piR-39980 inhibitors compared with untransfected control and NC\_Inhibitor. Bars, mean  $\pm$  SEM; n = 5 independent experiments; ns = non-significant, \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, Tukey's multiple comparisons test.



Supplementary Figure 4: Effect of piR-39980 on DOX-induced DNA damage determined by comet assay.



Supplementary Figure 5: The target binding site of piR-39980 within 3'UTR of RRM2



Supplementary Figure 6: The target binding site of piR-39980 within 3'UTR of CYP1A2



Supplementary Figure 7: Dual-luciferase reporter assay construct of RRM2



Supplementary Figure 8: Dual-luciferase reporter assay construct of CYP1A2

### 0.0 µM DOX



pcDNA3.1-RRM2 0.4 μM DOX

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pcDNA3.1-RRM2 0.4 μM DOX + Mimic



Supplementary Figure 9: Effect of piR-39980 on DOX-induced DNA damage determined by comet assay.



## Supplementary Figure 10: A model showing molecular mechanisms of piR-39980 inducing DOX sensitivity of fibrosarcoma cells through its targets, RRM2 and CYP1A2.

In general, the drug-metabolizing enzyme CYP1A2 inactivates DOX within cells, whereas RRM2 induces a repair mechanism and rescues DOX-mediated DNA damage, both of which confers resistance. However, piR-39980 boosts cell death by increasing DOX sensitivity by repressing these two genes, RRM2 and CYP1A2, two targets of this piRNA.



Supplementary Figure 11: Agarose gel electrophoresis showing the integrity of RNA isolated from the parental HT1080 and HT1080/DOX cells. a Total RNA was isolated using HiPurA<sup>TM</sup> Total RNA Miniprep Purification Kit (Himedia). b Small RNA was isolated using *mir*Vana<sup>TM</sup> miRNA Isolation Kit (Invitrogen).



Supplementary Figure 12: Flow cytometry gating strategy. Representative image of Fig. 5c. Data were analyzed using BD Accuri<sup>TM</sup> C6 Plus flow cytometry. First, we created a dot plot of the data displaying SSC vs FSC. We placed a gate around the cell in the dense area. The debris was visible in the lower-left corner of the plot, which was excluded by the gate. FSC/SSC gate showed 20-40% cell populations that vary from sample to sample. Then, we created a histogram and plotted the gated data. The histogram showed cell count vs annexin V-PE stain. We made a boundary at 10<sup>4</sup> on X-axis. The left quadrant shows unstained cells, and the right quadrant shows annexin V-PE-stained cells.

Supplementary Table 1: Sequences of piR-39980 Mimic, Inhibitor, and NC\_Inhibitor

piR-39980 mimic (5'-3'):

rUrArGrUrCrCrCrArGrCrUrArCrUrArCrUrGrGrGrGrArGrGrCrUrGrArGrGrCmA

piR-39980 inhibitor (5'-3'):

NC\_Inhibitor (5'-3'):

mG/ZEN/mCmGmAmCmUmAmUmAmCmGmCmGmCmAmAmUmAmUmGmG/3ZEN/

Supplementary Table 2: List of primers and their sequences used in this study

piRNA/Genes		Primer sequence (5'-3')
(GenBank ID)		
piR-39980 ( DQ601914.1)	F	TAGTCCCAGCTACTTGGGAGG
	R	Universal reverse primer (Provided by Qiagen with kit)
U6 ( NR_004394.1)	F	CTCGCTTCGGCAGCACATATACT
	R	ACGCTTCACGAATTTGCGTGTC
RRM2_qRT-PCR ( NM_001165931.1)	F	ACTATGCTCTCCCTCCGTGT
	R	CGGTCCAAAAGGAAGCCTCT
CYP1A2_qRT-PCR (NM_000761.5)	F	CTGGGCACTTCGACCCTTAC
	R	TCTCATCGCTACTCTCAGGGA
RRM2_luciferase ( NM_001165931.1)	F	GCGGCACTCGAGACTTTAGTAGGAAACCATGAGC
	R	ATAGCGGCCGCTGTCTCAGCTTTCTTCTCCC
CYP1A2_luciferase (NM_000761.5)	F	GACGCTCGAGAAGTGTCGAATGACTTCTAGTGT
	R	ATAGCGGCCGCGGTGGTTCATACCTGTTAATC
RRM2_overexpression (NM_001165931.1)	F	ACTCTCGAGATGGGAAGGGTCGGAGGCA
	R	GTCGGATCCCCTGATTCCAACTTCCGCC
CYP1A2_overexpression (NM_000761.5)	F	ACGCTCGAGATGGCATTGTCCCAGTCTGTTC
	R	GTCGGATCCCACTGCACTCCAGCTTAGGAG
RPL13 ( NM_000977.4)	F	GTTCGGTACCACGAAGGT
	R	TACGGAGACTAGCGAAGGCT