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*Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.*

### Software and code

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Data collection

Immunoblotting data were collected using the LAS-1000 Plus or ImageQuant LAS 4000 (Fujifilm).  
qRT-PCR data were collected using TaKaRa Real Time PCR system.

Data analysis

GraphPad Prism 5.0, GSEA (ver. 4.1.0), XDS (ver. May 1, 2016), COOT (ver. 0.8.9), Phenix (ver. 1.11.1), CCP4 (ver. 6.5.004), PyMOL (ver. 2.1.0), and Image J (ver. 1.53a).

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The microarray data generated in this study has been deposited in the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) database under accession code GSE165823 [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE165823>]. The crystal structure of MEK1(C121S) reported in this paper has been deposited in the Protein Data Bank (PDB, ID code 7F2X) [<http://doi.org/10.2210/pdb7F2X/pdb>]. The structural data of wild-type MEK1 (PDB ID: 3EQC, 3EQD, 3EQF, 3EQG, 3EQH, 3EQI, 3SLS, 3W8Q, 3ZLS, 3ZLX, 3ZLY, 3ZLW, 3ZM4, 5BX0, and 5HZE), MEK1-KSR2 complex (PDB ID: 2Y4I), MEK1-BRaf complex (PDB ID: 4MNE), and PKA (PDB ID: 1ATP and 4HPU) were obtained from the PDB database. All other data are available in the article and its Supplementary information/Source Data file, or from the corresponding

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## Life sciences study design

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Sample size	Sample sizes are indicated in the figure legends and/or listed within the figure panel. statistical analyses are described in "Methods". No power analysis was used for sample sizes and replicates, but these were determined based on similar studies (e.g., ref.11 and ref.17)
Data exclusions	No data was excluded from analysis.
Replication	All experiments were repeated at least three times, giving similar results.
Randomization	Age and sex matched nude mice (BALB-c/nu) were allocated randomly into experimental groups. All other samples were randomly allocated into experimental groups.
Blinding	Investigators were not blinded during the experiments as all samples were processed and analyzed with the same protocol within an experiment. Therefore, prior knowledge had no impact on data output.

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### Materials & experimental systems

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## Antibodies

Antibodies used

For immunoblotting and immunofluorescent staining, the following primary antibodies were used at a dilution of 1:1000:

anti-HA F-7 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-7392)  
 anti-GST B-14 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-138)  
 anti-Myc 9E10 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-40)  
 anti-TFPI2 B-7 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-48380)  
 anti-MEK1 H-8 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-6250)  
 anti-ERK (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-94)  
 anti-C-Raf-1 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-227)  
 anti-B-Raf (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-166)  
 anti-HA 16B12 (Covance, MMS-101R)  
 anti-HA 3F10 (Roche, 11867423001)  
 anti-Flag M2 (Sigma-Aldrich, F1804)  
 anti-TM4SF19 (Sigma-Aldrich, SAB1102826)  
 anti-EMP1 (Sigma-Aldrich, SAB1302714)  
 anti-phospho-Raf-1 56A6 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9427)  
 anti-phospho-MEK1/2 41G9 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9154)  
 anti-phospho-AKT1(T308) 244F9 (Cell Signaling Technology, 4056)  
 anti-phospho-AKT1(S473) D9E (Cell Signaling Technology, 4060)

anti-phospho-rpS6 D57.2.2E (Cell Signaling Technology, 4858)  
 anti-rpS6 5G10 (Cell Signaling Technology, 2217)  
 anti-MEK2 13E3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9147)  
 anti-GDF15 D2A3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 8479)  
 anti-phospho-ERK1/2 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9101)  
 anti-AKT (Cell Signaling Technology, 9272)  
 anti-cleaved caspase3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9661)  
 anti-PARP (Cell Signaling Technology, 9542)  
 anti-PHLDA1 EPR6674 (Abcam, ab133654)  
 anti-PHLDA2 (Abcam, ab58379)  
 anti-PHLDA2 (Proteintech, 14661-1-AP)  
 anti-COL14A1 (Abcam, ab101464)  
 anti-TM4SF1 (Abcam, ab113504)  
 anti- $\beta$ -Actin (FUJIFILM Wako, 010-27841)

The following secondary antibodies were used at a dilution of 1:5000 (anti-mouse HRP Ab), 1:2500 (anti-Rabbit HRP Ab), or 1:2000 (Alexa-Fluor anti-mouse IgG1):

anti-mouse HRP antibody (NA931, Cytiva)  
 anti-rabbit HRP antibody (NA934, Cytiva)  
 Alexa-Fluor 488 goat anti-mouse IgG1 (A-21121, Molecular Probe)

## Validation

All antibodies used for western blotting were purchased from commercial vendors. Validation of antibodies used in current study is described in technical data sheets provided by manufacturers websites:

anti-HA F-7 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-7392) : <https://www.scbt.com/ja/p/ha-probe-antibody-f-7>  
 anti-GST B-14 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-138): <https://www.scbt.com/p/gst-antibody-b-14?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-Myc 9E10 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-40): <https://www.scbt.com/p/c-myc-antibody-9e10?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-TFPI2 B-7 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-48380): <https://www.scbt.com/p/tfpi-2-antibody-b-7?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-MEK1 H-8 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-6250): <https://www.scbt.com/p/mek-1-antibody-h-8?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-ERK (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-94): <https://www.scbt.com/p/erk-1-antibody-k-23?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-C-Raf-1 (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-227): <https://www.scbt.com/p/raf-1-antibody-c-20?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-B-Raf (Santa Cruz Biotechnology, sc-166): <https://www.scbt.com/p/raf-b-antibody-c-19?requestFrom=search>  
 anti-HA 16B12 (Covance, MMS-101R): <https://www.biolegend.com/ja-jp/products/anti-ha-11-epitope-tag-antibody-11071>  
 anti-HA 3F10 (Roche, 11867423001): [https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/roche/roahaha?clid=CjwKCAjwv-GUBhAzEiwASUMm4jblh8W6TgpVxj4EM5jcF6FhtOwfDSHFwBvzs2IKB9T7pgARtBqSBoCMAAQAvD\\_BwE](https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/roche/roahaha?clid=CjwKCAjwv-GUBhAzEiwASUMm4jblh8W6TgpVxj4EM5jcF6FhtOwfDSHFwBvzs2IKB9T7pgARtBqSBoCMAAQAvD_BwE)  
 anti-Flag M2 (Sigma-Aldrich, F1804): <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/f1804>  
 anti-TM4SF19 (Sigma-Aldrich, SAB1102826): <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/sab1102826>  
 anti-EMP1 (Sigma-Aldrich, SAB1302714): <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/sab1302714>  
 anti-phospho-Raf-1 56A6 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9427): <https://en.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-c-raf-ser338-56a6-rabbit-mab/9427>  
 anti-phospho-MEK1/2 41G9 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9154): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-mek1-2-ser217-221-41g9-rabbit-mab/9154>  
 anti-phospho-AKT1(T308) 244F9 (Cell Signaling Technology, 4056): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-akt-thr308-244f9-rabbit-mab/4056>  
 anti-phospho-AKT1(S473) D9E (Cell Signaling Technology, 4060): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-akt-ser473-d9e-xp-rabbit-mab/4060>  
 anti-phospho-rpS6 D57.2.2E (Cell Signaling Technology, 4858): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/phospho-s6-ribosomal-protein-ser235-236-d57-2-2e-xp-rabbit-mab/4858>  
 anti-rpS6 5G10 (Cell Signaling Technology, 2217): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/s6-ribosomal-protein-5g10-rabbit-mab/2217>  
 anti-MEK2 13E3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9147): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/mek2-13e3-rabbit-mab/9147>  
 anti-GDF15 D2A3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 8479) <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/mic-1-d2a3-rabbit-mab/8479>  
 anti-phospho-ERK1/2 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9101)  
 anti-AKT (Cell Signaling Technology, 9272): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/akt-antibody/9272>  
 anti-cleaved caspase3 (Cell Signaling Technology, 9661) <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/cleaved-caspase-3-asp175-antibody/9661>  
 anti-PARP (Cell Signaling Technology, 9542): <https://www.cellsignal.jp/products/primary-antibodies/parp-antibody/9542>  
 anti-PHLDA1 EPR6674 (Abcam, ab133654): <https://www.abcam.co.jp/phlda1-antibody-epr6674-ab133654.html>  
 anti-PHLDA2 (Abcam, ab58379): <https://www.abcam.co.jp/tssc3-antibody-ab58379.html>  
 anti-PHLDA2 (Proteintech, 14661-1-AP): <https://www.ptglab.co.jp/products/PHLDA2-Antibody-14661-1-AP.htm>  
 anti-COL14A1 (Abcam, ab101464): <https://www.abcam.co.jp/col14a1-antibody-ab101464.html>  
 anti-TM4SF1 (Abcam, ab113504): <https://www.abcam.co.jp/transmembrane-4-l6-family-member-1-antibody-ab113504.html>  
 anti- $\beta$ -Actin (FUJIFILM Wako, 010-27841): <https://labchem-wako.fujifilm.com/us/product/detail/W01W0101-2784.html>  
 Alexa-Fluor 488 goat anti-mouse IgG1 (A-21121, Molecular Probe): <https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Mouse-IgG1-Cross-Adsorbed-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A-21121>  
 Anti-mouse HRP antibody (NA931, Cytiva): <https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/gena9311ml>

## Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	A375 (CRL-1619), Sk-Mel28 (HTB-72), H1299 (CRL-5803), and HT29 (HTB-38) were obtained from ATCC. HEK293 (RCB1637), G361 (RCB0991), A549 (RCB3677), T24 (RCB2536), A431 (RCB0202), Panc1 (RCB2095), HCT116 (RCB2979), and GP2-293 (RCB2354) were obtained from RIKEN cell bank. WiDr (JCRB0224) was obtained from Japanese Cancer Research Resources Bank (JCRB). Plat-E cells and MEK1 <sup>-/-</sup> MEFs were originally generated and provided by T. Kitamura (University of Tokyo) and by J. Charron (Université Laval, Québec), respectively.
Authentication	All cell lines used were obtained as pre-authenticated lines from ATCC, RIKEN cell bank, or JCRB. We did not further authenticate the cell lines.
Mycoplasma contamination	All cells used in this manuscript were routinely tested for mycoplasma contamination using a PCR-based method, and verified as mycoplasma-negative.
Commonly misidentified lines (See <a href="#">ICLAC</a> register)	WiDr (ICLAC-00103) have been reported to be derived from HT29 and noted on the Cell Model Passport ( <a href="https://cellmodelpassports.sanger.ac.uk">https://cellmodelpassports.sanger.ac.uk</a> ) and JCRB ( <a href="https://cellbank.nibiohn.go.jp/~cellbank/en/search_res_det.cgi?ID=308#">https://cellbank.nibiohn.go.jp/~cellbank/en/search_res_det.cgi?ID=308#</a> ), but they were included in the analysis for diversity owing to their oncogene status (BRAF-V600E) and tissue origin (adenocarcinoma).

## Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals	Five-weeks-old female nude mice (BALB-c/nu) were purchased from Oriental Yeast (Tokyo, Japan) and bred in The Laboratory Animal Research Center (LARC) of The Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo (IMSUT). Housing conditions: temperature 22 ± 2°C, humidity 55 ± 5%, light/dark cycle 12 hour/12 hour (8 am - 20 pm light).
Wild animals	The study did not involve wild animals, no animals in the study were collected from the field.
Field-collected samples	The study did not involve wild animals, no animals in the study were collected from the field.
Ethics oversight	The animal experiment in this study was approved by the animal experiment committee at the Institute of Medical Science, The University of Tokyo (IMSUT) (approval number: A16-5), and animal care was conducted in accordance with institutional guidelines.

Note that full information on the approval of the study protocol must also be provided in the manuscript.