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Software and code

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Data collection

NCI Genomics Database Commons (GDC)
The cancer genome atlas (TCGA)

Data analysis

SAMtools mpileup (version 1.2)
 SAMtools (version 1.14)
 bowtie2 (version 2.3.0)
 Cufflinks (version 2.2.1)
 GSEA (version 4.2.2)
 DNASTAR Lasergene 17 SeqMan Pro
 FlowJO (version 10.6.2)
 Pheatmap (version 1.0.12)
 RColorBrewer (version 1.1-2)
 Venny (version 2.1)
 DESEQ2 (version 1.28.1)
 R (version 4.0.1)
 R Studio (version 1.3.959)
 Graphpad prism (version 9.2.0)
 ggplot2 (version 3.3.3)
 GSVA (version 1.36.3)
 Tophat2 (version 2.0.1)
<https://github.com/akv3001/RNASeq-Based-XBP1s-Detection-.git>

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The authors declare that the data supporting the findings of this study are available in the manuscript [and its Supplementary Information files]. Source data are provided with this paper.

The publicly available LUAD data used in this study are collected from TCGA (<https://portal.gdc.cancer.gov/projects/TCGA-LUAD>).

Raw RNA-seq data have been uploaded in the Gene Expression Omnibus database under accession GSE202939 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE202939>).

Other datasets generated in the study includes the Immunomodulator database (Supplementary information). The murine IRE1a gene signature was applied to an independent collection of 44 human lung tumors previously reported [REF 31]. Data can be obtained from corresponding author: (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/projects/gap/cgi-bin/study.cgi?study_id=phs002818.v1.p1). Human sample data, were downloaded from the NCI Genomics Database Commons (GDC) and The cancer genome atlas (TCGA).

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size

For in vitro experiments, we used negative and positive controls. n numbers of each group were indicated as for biologic replicates in the figure legends. For in vivo experiments, each cohort comprises n>=5 mice per treatment group. Based on prior mouse experiments, this number will provide general power to detect differences greater than 50% at a significance of p<0.05 (Ban et al. doi: 10.1038/s43018-021-00245-1).

Data exclusions

Any outlier, if at all, was excluded after analyzing the datasets with ROUT method. For example in the in vivo Xbp1s rescue experiment.

Replication

Experiments were repeated, and verification of experiment findings were successful.

Randomization

Tumor burden of mice were quantified by BLI imaging before any given treatment. Mice were then distributed into treatment groups by ranking them by tumor burden and performing an S distribution, ensuring comparable tumor burdens between cohorts.

Blinding IRE1a gene signature and deconvolution analysis on TCGA and validation cohort was performed blinded. Investigators were not blinded during in vivo or in vitro experiments because the investigator who participated in experimental design, also performed the experiment. IRE1a gene signature and deconvolution analysis on TCGA and validation cohort was blinded.

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Antibodies

Antibodies used All antibodies used in the study are described in the manuscript including the company name, clone number and dilution.

Validation All primary antibodies used in the study were verified for species specificity as described in the manufacture's website.

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s) HKP1 lung cancer cells were developed from KrasG12D/p53-/- in our lab (Choi, H et al. Cell Rep. 2015. PMID:25704820). HEK-293 cell line was purchased from ATCC. CMT-167 cell line was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich.

Authentication Authentication of the cell line was confirmed by genomic analysis.

Mycoplasma contamination Cells used in the study were mycoplasma contamination free as confirmed routinely with MycoAlert PLUS kit (Lonza)

Commonly misidentified lines (See [ICLAC](#) register) No misidentified lines were used in the study.

Animals and other organisms

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Laboratory animals Wild type C57BL/6J (Stock # 000664) or RAG2 deficient (stock # 008449) mice purchased from the Jackson Laboratory (Bar Harbor, Maine).

Wild animals No wild animals were involved in the study.

Field-collected samples The study did not involve samples collected from the field.

Ethics oversight All animal related works were conducted following protocols approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee at Weill Cornell Medicine.

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation

Cells were then stained following the standard flow cytometry protocol. In brief, cells were first stained with Zombie Aqua Fixable Viability dye in accordance with the manufacturers protocol. Following this, cells receiving surface stains were FC blocked (CD16/32, 1:100 BD Biosciences), incubated with primary antibodies, and fixed with 1% formaldehyde, and resuspended in FACS Buffer. Samples were covered in aluminum foil and stored at 4°C until analysis.

For intracellular staining, if stimulation and golgi blocking were required, samples were incubated for 4 hours in complete RPMI at 37°C in a humidified incubator, with PMA (100ng/mL), ionomycin (1µg/mL), Brefeldin A (Biolegend), and Monensin (Biolegend). Following this, samples were surface stained as above before undergoing fixation and permeabilization (eBioscience) in accordance with the manufacturers protocol. Following this samples were stained with intracellular antibodies, washed and resuspended in FACS Buffer. Samples were covered in aluminum foil and stored at 4°C until analysis (less than 24 hours later).

Instrument

Data were acquired on a Becton-Dickinson LSR II.

Software

FlowJo 10.6.1 software (FlowJo, LLC)

Cell population abundance

In some cases post-sort fraction were re-analyzed by flow-cytometry to confirm $\geq 95\%$ purity.

Gating strategy

All flow events were gated with FSC/SSC to remove the cell debris. Then, single cell events were gated with FSC-A/FSC-W and SSC-A/SSC-W.

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