

Figure S1. Gross morphology of E16.5 GT right after dissection (A), after being bisected (B), and after the initial trypsin digestion (C). Chunks of mesenchymal tissues (me) were further digested in collagenase/trypsin after being separated from epithelial sheets (epi).

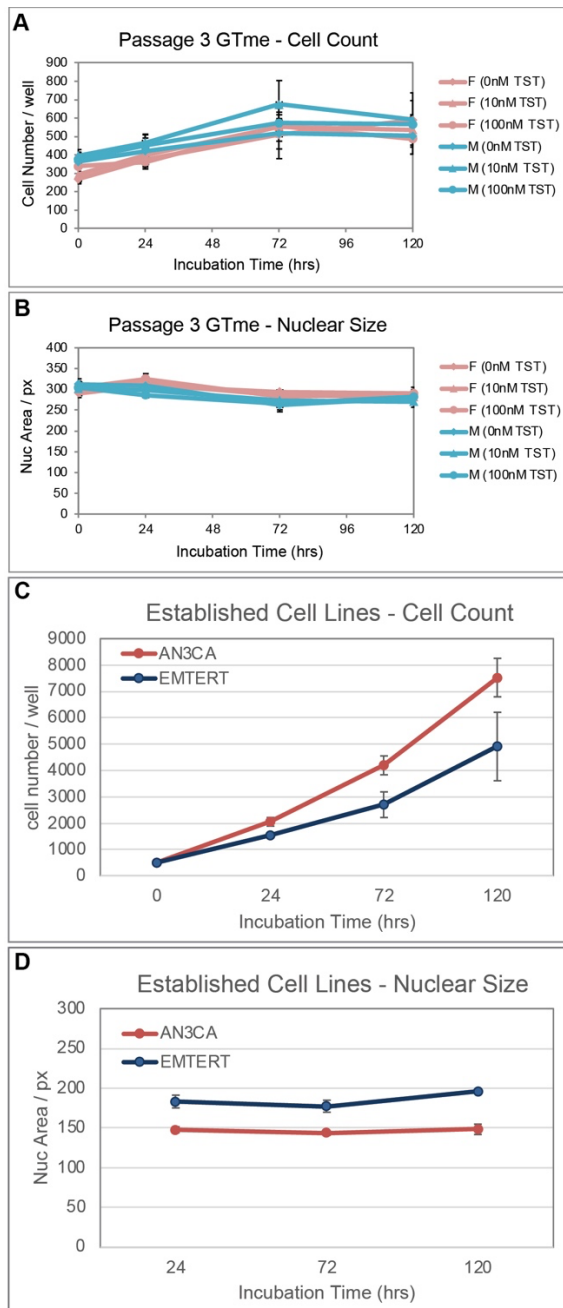


Figure S2. GTme cells lose growth capacity over time. Growth curves (A) and measured nuclear size over time (B) of passage three GTme cells with or without testosterone supplement compared with those of established cell lines AN3CA and EMTERT (C, D).

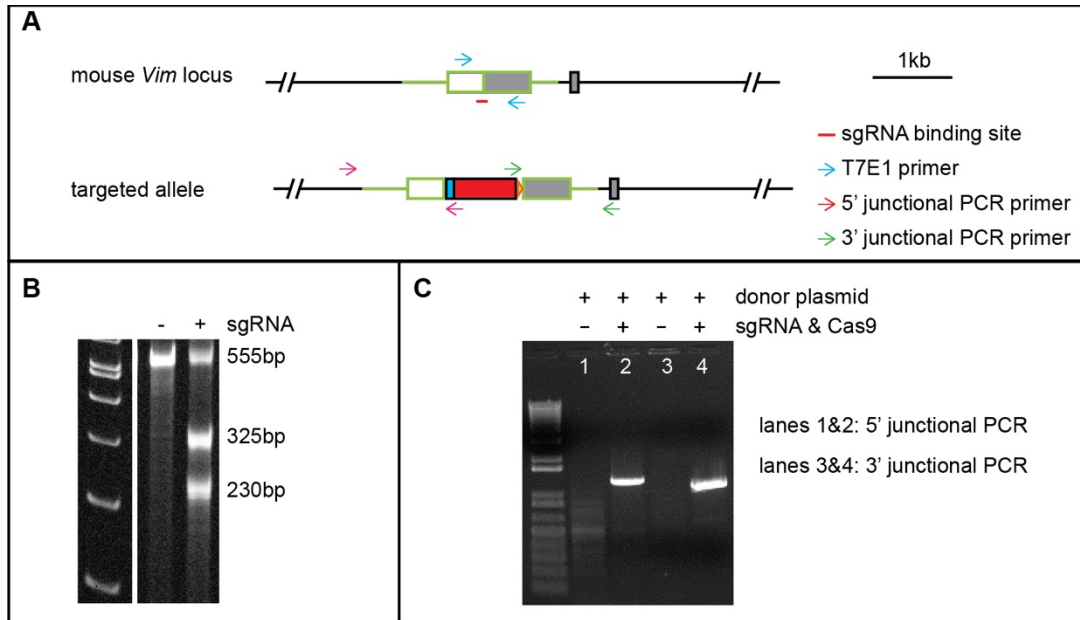


Figure S3. Validation of sgRNA and donor plasmid in vitro. (A) Schematic illustration of primer design for T7E1 assay and junctional PCR. (B) Successful NHEJ events were detected in N2A cells transfected with designed sgRNA. (C) Successful homologous recombination was achieved in N2A cells co-transfected with donor plasmid, sgRNA and Cas9.

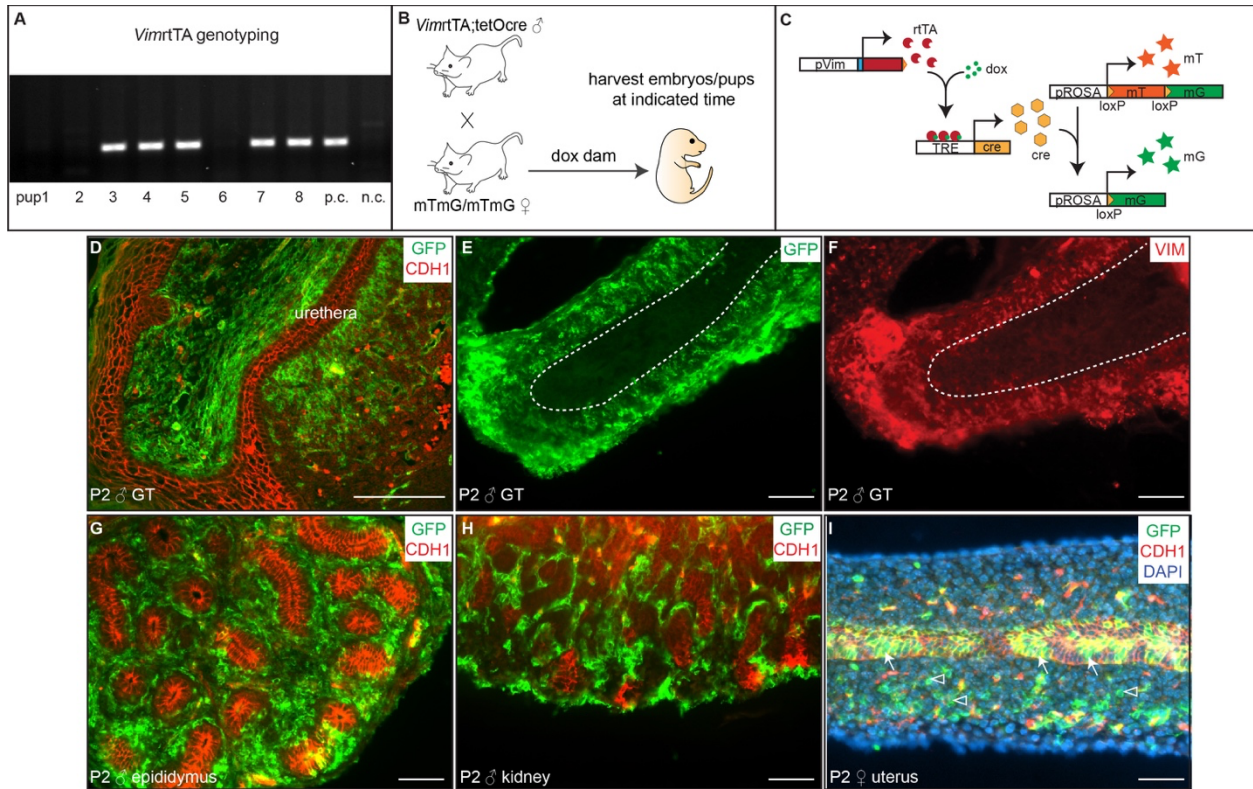


Figure S4 Generation and characterization of *Vim-rtTA* mouse. (A) PCR genotyping of littermates sired by the *Vim-rtTA* founder using primers illustrated in Fig. 3B. p.c. positive control; n.c. negative control. (B) Mating scheme to obtain embryos harboring *Vim-rtTA*, tetO-Cre and mTmG alleles. (C) A schematic of *Vim-rtTA*;tetO-Cre;mTmG system. (D-I) Immunofluorescence of GFP, CDH1 and/or VIM in various organs of postnatal day 2 mTmG^{*Vim*} mice. Homogeneous GFP staining (green) was detected in the GT (D,E), epididymis (G) and kidney (H) mesenchyme, and was excluded from CDH1-expressing epithelia (red). In the GT, GFP expression recapitulates that of the endogenous VIM exclusively in the mesenchyme. Dotted lines outlined the urethra (E, F). (I) In the neonatal uterus, sporadic GFP⁺ cells were detected in the stroma (open arrow heads), and GFP⁺ cells (arrows, green) and transitional cells (yellow) were also detected in the luminal epithelium. Scale bars: 100 μ m.

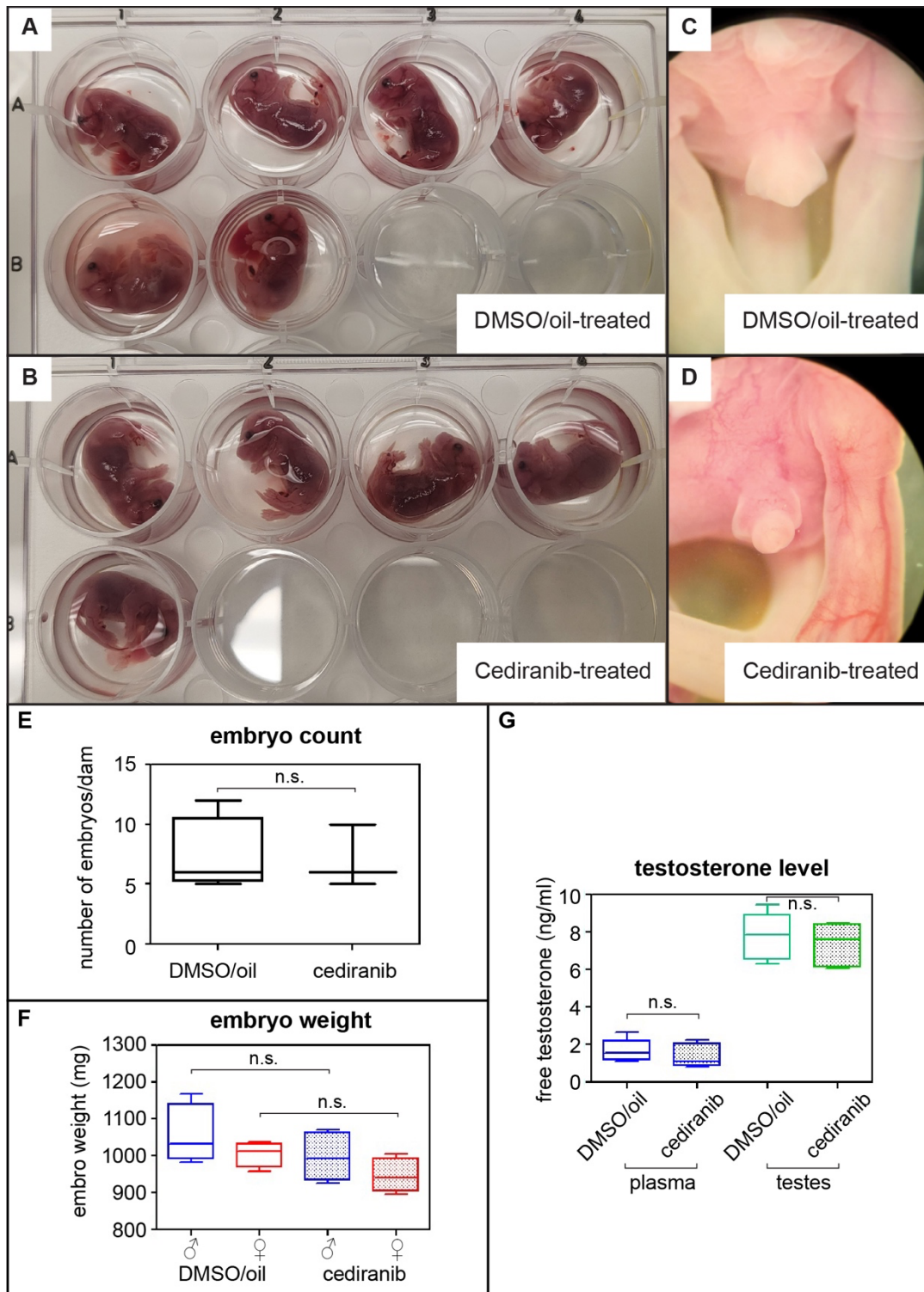


Figure S5. Evaluation of cediranib-treated embryos. (A, B) Litters of E17.5 embryos from dams that received daily oral gavage of either DMSO/oil (A) or cediranib (B) from E14.5-E16.5 showed comparable embryo number and size. (C, D) Closer view of a DMSO/oil-treated male embryo (C) and a cediranib-treated counterpart (D). Note the normal size of other tissues (legs

and tail) but marked reduced GT size in cediranib-treated embryo. (E) DMSO/oil-treated dams produced 7.25 ± 1.60 pups, $n=4$; while cediranib-treated dams produced 7.00 ± 1.53 pups, $n=3$; $p=0.917$. (F) Cediranib treatment did not affect embryo weight. DMSO/oil male, 1054 ± 41.02 mg, $n=14$, vs. cediranib male, 996.1 ± 34.82 mg, $n=12$, $p=0.3242$; DMSO/oil female, 1004 ± 17.17 mg, $n=15$, vs. cediranib female, 945.6 ± 23.45 mg, $n=9$, $p=0.0895$. (G) Free testosterone level measured by ELISA revealed no significant difference in either embryonic plasma or whole testis lysates of treated male embryos. $N=4$ for each of the following four groups: DMSO/oil plasma, 1683 ± 239.3 pg/ml vs. cediranib plasma, 1359 ± 249.8 pg/ml, $p=0.3710$; DMSO/oil testes, 7812 ± 497.8 pg/ml vs. cediranib testes, 7380 ± 433.7 pg/ml, $p=0.0895$.

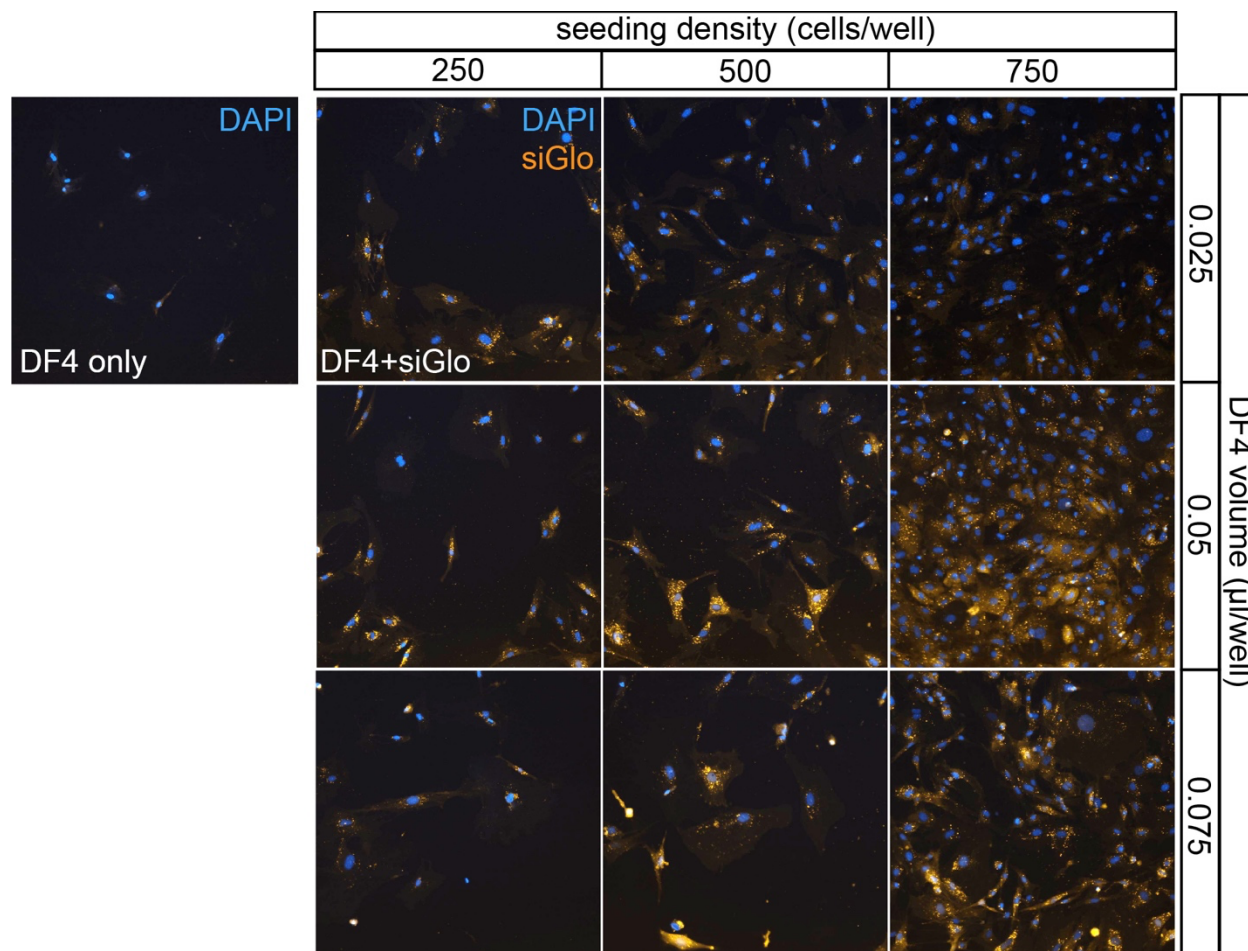


Figure S6. siRNA transfection optimization in GTme cells. GTme cells were seeded at indicated density and reverse-transfected with indicated amount of DharmaFECT4 reagent and siGlo at a final concentration of 20nM. Fluorescence microscopy was utilized to visualize incorporation of siGlo 48 hours after transfection. High transfection efficiency and minimal cytotoxicity were achieved with 0.05 µl transfection reagent/well, and seeding density of 500/well appeared to have the highest per cell intracellular dye incorporation.

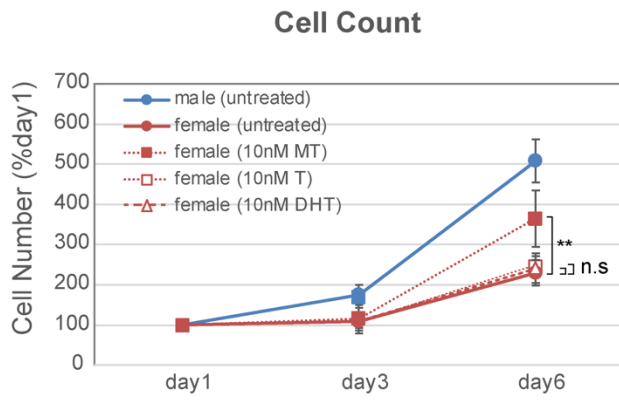


Figure S7. Treatments of testosterone (T) and dihydrotestosterone (DHT) at 10 nM did not boost female GTme proliferation as did methyltestosterone (MT). ** $p < 0.01$; n.s., not significant.

Table S2. Top 5 signaling pathways revealed by PANTHER analysis

PANTHER pathways	Fold Enrichment	raw P value	FDR
Angiogenesis	51.74	1.63E-12	2.62E-10
CCKR signaling map	49.72	6.74E-11	5.42E-09
VEGF signaling pathway	86.4	3.64E-09	1.96E-07
Integrin signaling pathway	36.56	1.14E-08	4.57E-07
Gonadotrophin-releasing hormone receptor pathway	29.56	3.89E-08	1.04E-06

Table S3. Oligos and antibody information

Oligo Information				
Sequence Name	Sequence (5'->3')			
Dkk2 F	CTGATGCGGGTCAAGGATTC			
Dkk2 R	CTCCCTCCTAGAGAGGACT			
Gata6 F	TTGCTCCGGTAACAGCAGTG			
Gata6 R	GTGGTCGCTTGTGTAGAAGGA			
Klf6 F	TTTCTGCTCGGACTCCTGAT			
Klf6 R	TTCCTGGAAGATGCTACACATTG			
Runx1 F	TTTCAAGGTACTCCTGCCTG			
Runx1 R	CAGTGAGAAGGACCAGAGAC			
Klf4 F	GTGCCCCGACTAACCCTTG			
Klf4 R	GTCGTTGAACTCCTCGGTCT			
Zfx4 F	GACTCTCCTCTATCTCAAG			
Zfx4 R	CGTTTTCAGGTTGTGATGTG			
Foxf1 F	AATGCACACATCTCCCTCC			
Foxf1 R	TTCACCTGTGATTGCTGGAG			
Tcf21 F	CTCCCTGAAAGTGGACTCAA			
Tcf21 R	CGGGCTTTTCTTAGTGGC			
Cdk6 F	GGGTACCCACAGAAACCATA			
Cdk6 R	AGGTAAGGGCCATCTGAAACT			
Trps1 F	TTGCATTCTGTAGTGGCGTT			
Trps1 R	GAGACTCCCGCATCTGAGAA			
Col8a1 F	ACTCTGTCAGACTCATTGAGG			
Col8a1 R	CAAAGGCATGTGAGGGACTTG			
Pid1 F	AGGCAAGGACTCATAGTGGC			
Pid1 R	CCAGTGTGTGTTTCTCCAG			
Tbx18 F	GTACCTGGCTTGGCAGAC			
Tbx18 R	GCATTGCTGGAACATGCG			
Vim 5'junctional F	CGAGATCACTGGGCTTGCTT			
Vim 5'junctional R	GGCTCCTCCTCCTCTGGA			
Vim 3'junctional F	TAGACATGCTCCAGCCGAT			
Vim 3'junctional R	CACACCAACCACAAATGCC			
Vim-rtTA F	TCCCTTGTGCGATTTTTCC			
Vim-rtTA R	CTCCAGCTTTTGAGCGAGTTTCCTGTGCG			
Antibody Information				
Name	Vendor	Cat#	dilution	
E-Cadherin (24E10) Rabbit mAb (A)	Cell Signaling	3199	1:100	
Vimentin (D21H3) XP® Rabbit mAb (Cell Signaling	9856	1:100	
Rabbit (DA1E) mAb IgG XP® Isotype	Cell Signaling	2975	1:200	
Rabbit (DA1E) mAb IgG XP® Isotype	Cell Signaling	2985	1:200	
Vimentin (D21H3) XP® Rabbit mAb	Cell Signaling	5741	1:300	
Mouse Anti-E-Cadherin (CDH1)	Bdbiosciences	610181	1:300	
GFP Polyclonal Antibody	ThermoFisher	A11122	1:200	
Goat anti-Mouse IgG Secondary Ant	ThermoFisher	A32723	1:500	
Goat anti-Rabbit IgG Secondary Ant	ThermoFisher	A32740	1:500	
siRNA				
gene	vendor	catalog number	Identifier	Sequence (if available)
Ar	Thermo Fisher	4390771	n393529	
Gli3	Dharmacon	J-045798-05		GAACAACCCUAGUCAAGGA
Mafb	Dharmacon	J-059035-09		CCUACAAGGUCAAGUGCGA