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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 Next generation sequencing data collection was performed by Broad Institute Genomic Services. No other software was used in this study for data collection.

Data analysis Coot (version 0.9.6) is a molecular graphics software used to model structures. In this case, to position the cofactors and substrate into the AlphaFold model.
PyMol (version 2.2.0) was used to generate the cartoon diagrams of the AlphaFold model with cofactors and substrate present.
GraphPad Prism v9 (GraphPad Software) was used for data analysis of most activity assays.
Cutadapt v. 2.9 was used for trimming the original sequence from NGS results. Bowtie2 v.2.4.1 was used for sequence alignment, Samtools v.1.13 was used for generating the counts of sgRNA using "idxstats" option.

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AlphaFold model of FSP1 can be found at <https://alphafold.ebi.ac.uk/entry/Q9BRQ8>.

Coordinates for Ndi1 can be found at <https://www.rcsb.org/structure/4G73>.

Coordinates of the superposition of the substrates from coordinates 4G73 into the AlphaFold model are available in the supplementary material.

Tissue specificity of FSP1 gene is available from The Human Protein Atlas Database at <https://www.proteinatlas.org/ENSG00000042286-AIFM2/tissue>.

The raw data and uncropped gel images are available in the Source Data file.

Human research participants

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Reporting on sex and gender	N/A
Population characteristics	N/A
Recruitment	N/A
Ethics oversight	N/A

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

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	For genome-wide CRISPR-Cas9 screening, sample size was determined based on the library size of sgRNAs to ensure a coverage of >500 cells expressing each sgRNA according to reference 17. For all other experiments, no statistical estimation of sample size was performed, and the sample sizes are chosen because they provide sufficient confidence to assess the experimental results.
Data exclusions	No data were excluded from the analysis.
Replication	Considering the costly next generation sequencing experiment, two independent genome-wide knockout screening were performed. For all cell-based functional studies, triplicates were performed to obtain a confident results and were presented as mean with standard derivation. For western blot analysis, at least two replicates were performed and yielded consistent results.
Randomization	No randomized experiment was performed in this study.
Blinding	Blinding was not relevant for this study since no group allocation was performed

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Antibodies

Antibodies used	<p>Mouse anti-FIXgla (Green Mountain Antibodies, Clone BC2, #GMA 001) Rabbit anti-AIFM2/FSP1 (Cell Signaling Technology, #24972) Rabbit anti-AIFM2 (Sigma, #ZRB1527, Clone 1115, lot Q3709968) Mouse anti-Fas (Cell Signaling Technology, #8023, clone 4C3) Mouse anti-Caspase-8 (Cell Signaling Technology, #9746, clone 1C12) Sheep anti-human Protein C (Affinity Biologicals, SAPC-AP, lot AP3079-ER2) HRP-conjugated sheep anti-human Protein C (Affinity Biologicals, SAPC-HRP, lot HRP1608-2R1) HRP-conjugated mouse anti-His (ProteinTech, HRP-66005, Clone 1B7G5, lot 21000118) Mouse anti-GAPDH (ProteinTech, 60004-1-Ig, Clone 1E6D9, lot 10004129). Mouse anti-HPC4 (2mg/ml, home-made antibody was a gift from Dr. Esmon's lab at Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation)</p>
Validation	<p>Mouse anti-FIXgla antibody was validated by Green Mountain Antibodies for ELISA and Western blot. Information available at https://greenmoab.com/product/gma-001/.</p> <p>Rabbit anti-AIFM2/FSP1 antibody was validated by Cell Signaling Technology for Western blot. Information available at https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/aifm2-fsp1-antibody/24972.</p> <p>Rabbit anti-AIFM2 antibody was validated by Sigma for immunocytochemistry, Western blot, affinity binding assay, and flow cytometry. Full information available at https://www.sigmaaldrich.com/US/en/product/sigma/zrb1527.</p> <p>Mouse anti-Fas antibody was validated by Cell Signaling Technology for Western blot, immunofluorescent analysis, and flow cytometric analysis. Full information available at https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/fas-4c3-mouse-mab/8023.</p> <p>Mouse anti-Caspase-8 antibody was validated by Cell Signaling Technology for Western blot. Full information available at https://www.cellsignal.com/products/primary-antibodies/caspase-8-1c12-mouse-mab/9746.</p> <p>Sheep anti-human Protein C polyclonal antibody and its HRP conjugate was validated by Affinity Biologicals for Species Cross Reactivity. Full information available at https://affinitybiologicals.com/species-cross-reactivity/.</p> <p>HRP-conjugated mouse anti-His antibody was validated by ProteinTech for Western blot. Information available at https://www.ptglab.com/products/6-His,-His-Tag-Antibody-HRP-66005.htm.</p> <p>Mouse anti-GAPDH antibody was validated by ProteinTech for Western blot, immunoprecipitation, immunofluorescent analysis, and flow cytometry. Full information available at https://www.ptglab.com/products/GAPDH-Antibody-60004-1-Ig.htm.</p> <p>Mouse anti-HPC4 monoclonal antibody recognizes a 12 amino acid sequence (EDQVDPRLIDGK) is now commercially available from GenScript that has been validated for Western blot, immunoprecipitation, flow cytometry, immunocytochemistry/immunofluorescence, and ELISA. Full information available at https://www.genscript.com/antibody/A01774-THE_Protein_C_Tag_Antibody_HPC4_mAb_Mouse.html.</p>

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	The human embryonic kidney 293 cell (HEK293) was obtained from ATCC (#CRL-1573).
Authentication	The HEK293 cell line used in this study has been verified by the Tissue Culture Facility of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Mycoplasma contamination	All cell lines used in this study were tested negative for mycoplasma contamination.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	No cross-contamination was reported for HEK293 cell line used in this study according to the Tissue Culture Facility of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.