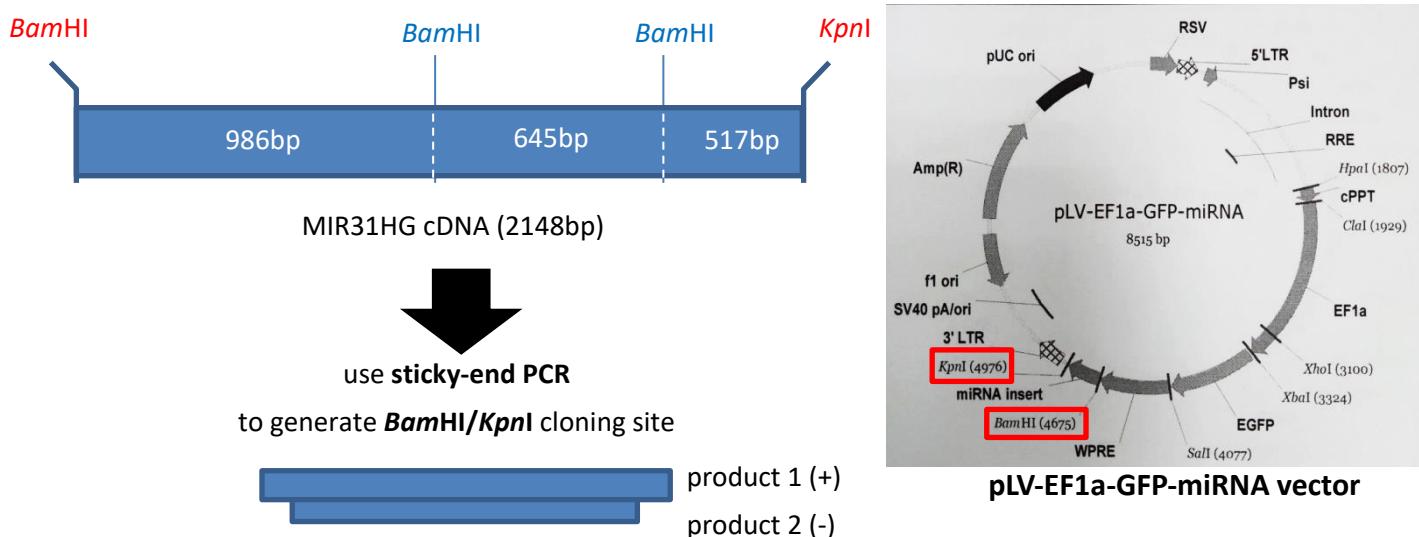


## Supplementary materials

### Supplementary figures



#### F1+R1 PCR product 1

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**TGTC****GGTAC**  
CTAGGTCCAAGGTGCAGGCCGCGGACCTC.....TGTTATTAGGAAACACTGGAA  
ACAGCCATG

#### F2+R2 PCR product 2

CAGGTTCCACGTCCGGCGCCTGGAG.....ACAATAAAATCCTTGACCTT  
**GTCG**  
**GTCCAAGGTGCAGGCCGCGGACCTC.....TGTTATTAGGAAACACTGGAA**  
ACAGC

#### one of re-annealing products with **Bam**HI/**Kpn**I sticky-end

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ACAGC

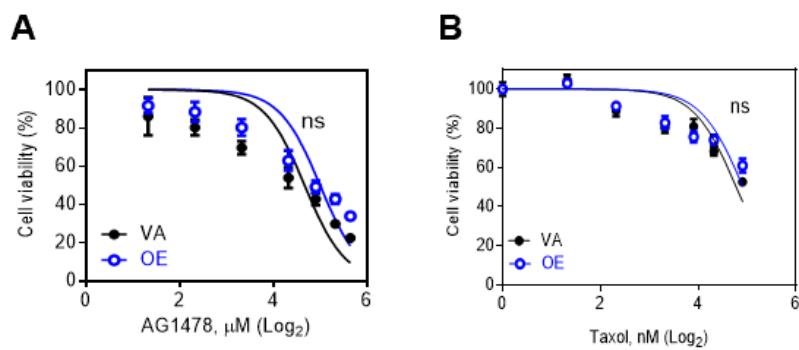
#### one of re-annealing products

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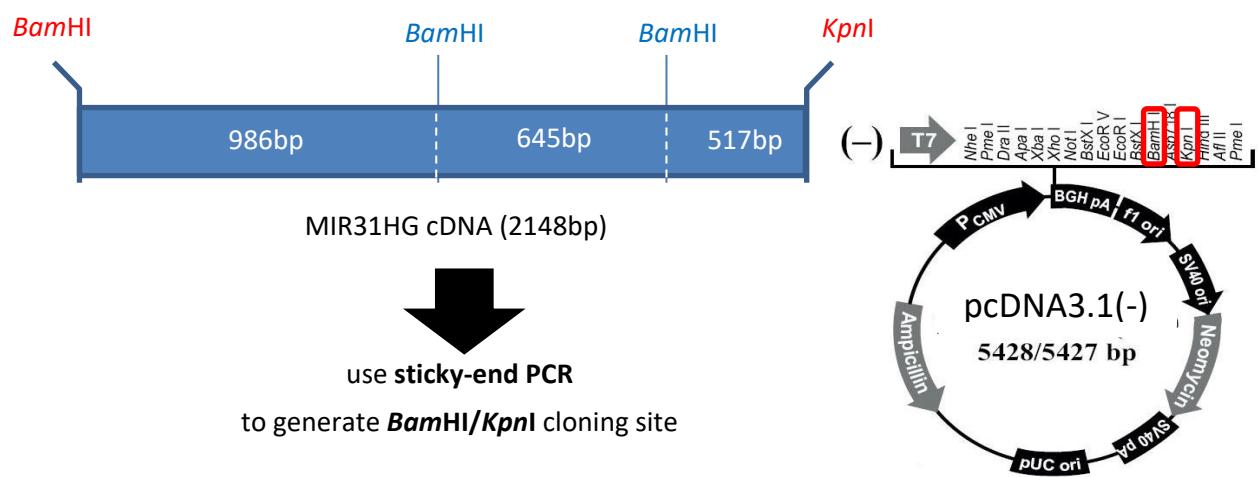
mix and  
re-anneal

**Figure S1. MIR31HG lentiviral plasmid.** The strategy for the construction of the

*MIR31HG* lentiviral plasmid that was used to establish stable overexpression in cells.

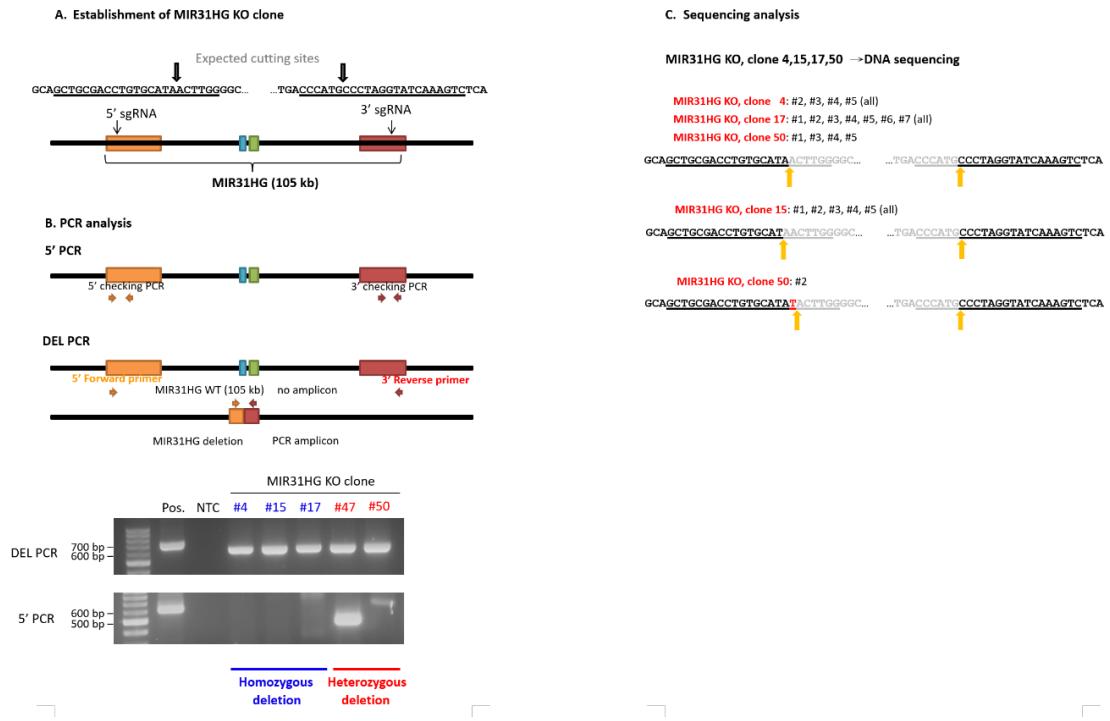


**Figure S2. The dose-responses of OE and VA cells.** (A) AG1478; (B) taxol.

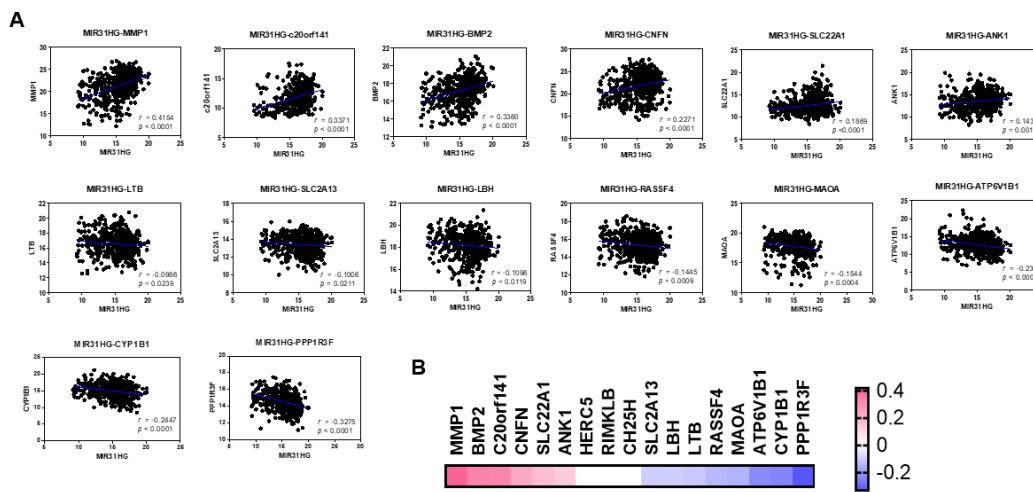


**Figure S3.** *MIR31HG* transient overexpression plasmid. The strategy for the

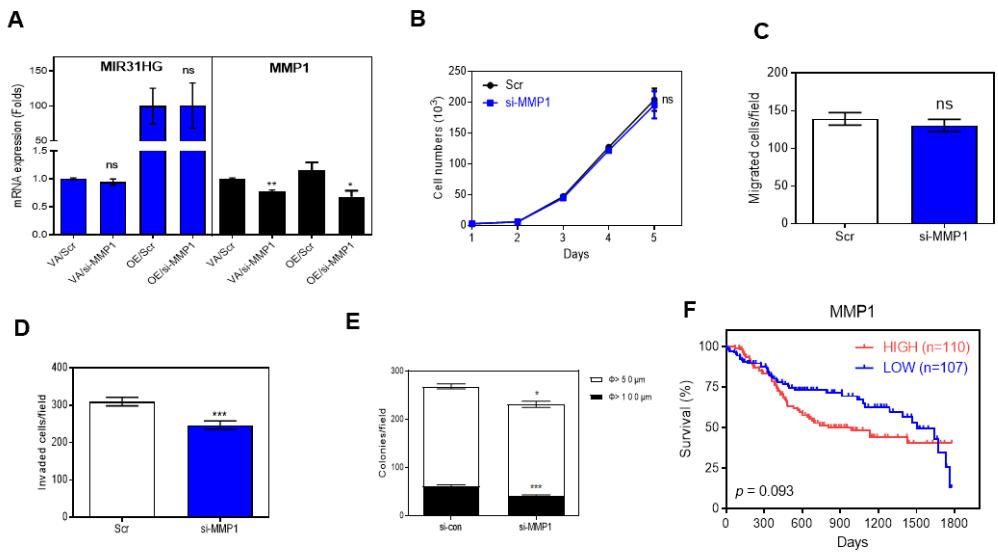
construction of the *MIR31HG* plasmid for transient overexpression.



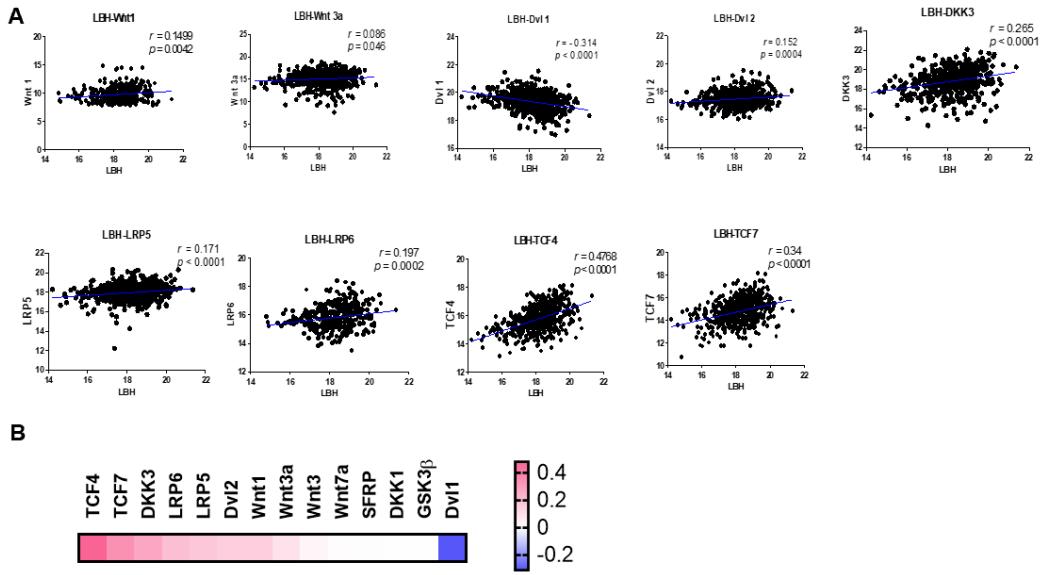
**Figure S4. Construction of the *MIR31HG* Crispr/Cas9 plasmids and the establishment of stable cell subclones containing *MIR31HG* deletion.** (A) The design of *MIR31HG* knockout. (B) PCR analysis. (C) Sequencing of the knockout cell subclones.



**Figure S5. The association between *MIR31HG* expression and the expression of seventeen candidate genes in HNSCC tumors based on the TCGA dataset. (A)** Individual analysis. **(B)** Heatmap to illustrate the correlations. The expression levels of a number of genes, but not of *CH25H*, *RIMKLB* and *HERC5*, are correlated with *MIR31HG* expression. Gradient bar, correlation coefficient.

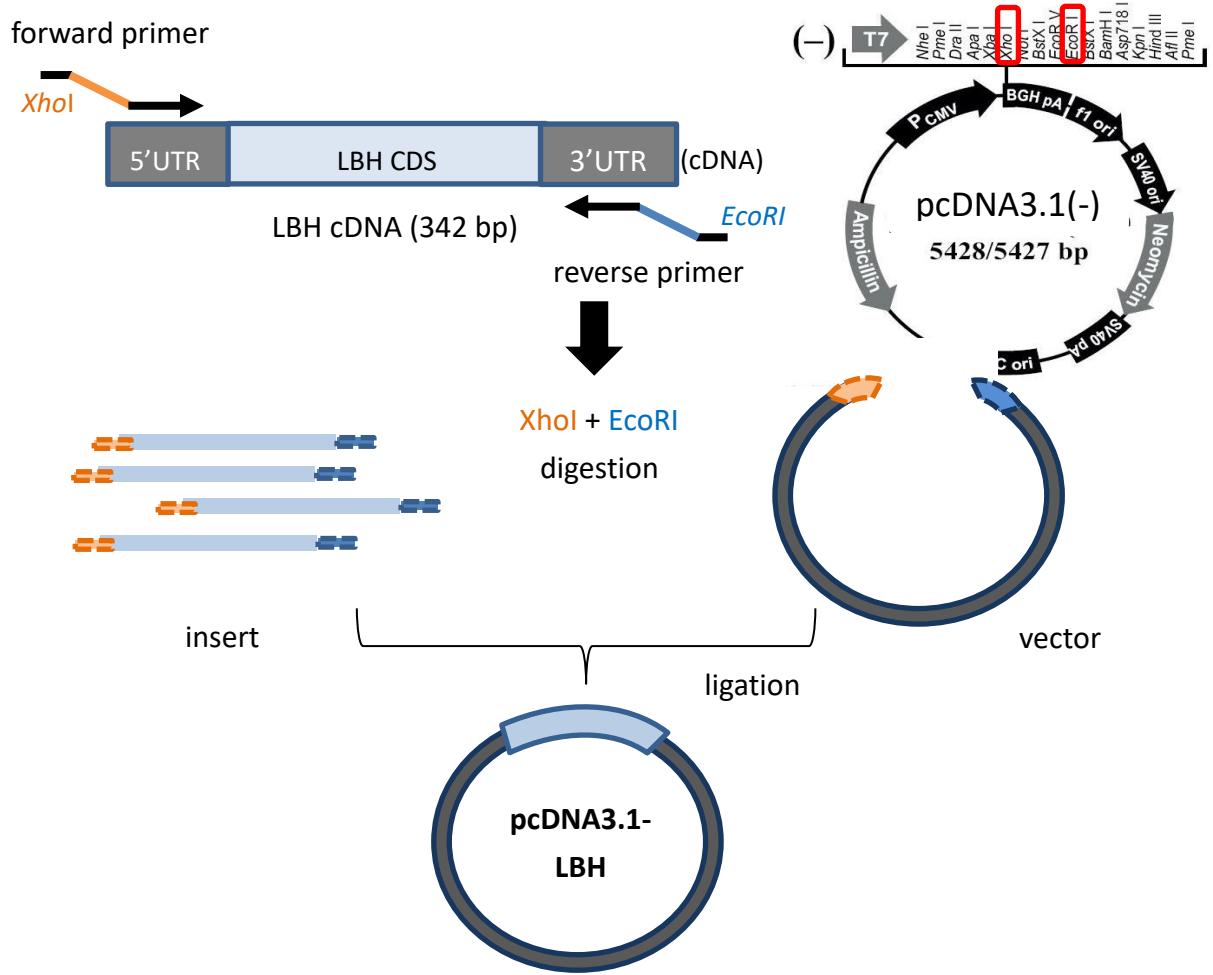


**Figure S6. Knockdown of *MMP1* expression decreases invasion and colony formation by SAS cells.** (A) qRT-PCR analysis. This indicates that there are slight increases and decreases in *MMP1* mRNA expression following deletion of *MIR31HG* and knockdown of *MMP1*, respectively. (B – E) proliferation, migration, invasion and anchorage-independent colony formation assays. The knockdown of *MMP1* is associated with decreases in invasion and colony formation. (F) Survival analysis of HNSCC as related to *MMP1* expression in the TCGA tumor cohort. The tumors with *MMP1* expression in the highest quadrant exhibit a worse prognosis than their counterpart tumors in the lowest *MMP1* expression quadrant.



**Figure S7. The correlation between *LBH* expression and the expression of genes involved in the Wnt signaling cascade in HNSCC tumors from the TCGA dataset.**

(A) Individual analysis of the expression of genes that are correlated with *LBH* expression. (B) Heatmap to illustrate the correlation. A correlation with *LBH* expression, mostly a positive correlation, was found for nine of the fourteen genes analyzed. *TCF4* and *TCF7* expression can be seen to be highly correlated with *LBH* expression. The expression of *Wnt3*, *Wnt7a*, *SFRP1*, *DKK1* and *GSK3 $\beta$*  is not significantly correlated with *LBH* expression. Gradient bar, correlation coefficient.



**Figure S8. *LBH* transient overexpression plasmid.** The strategy for the construction of the *LBH* plasmid for transient overexpression.

## **Supplementary Tables**

**Table S1. Clinicopathological characteristics of OPMD patients**

		Patients for analysis ( <i>n</i> = 25)*
Age (years)	51.4 ± 1.8	
Gender	Male	23
	Female	2
Histopathology	Epithelial hyperplasia and hyperkeratosis	12
	Epithelial dysplasia	16

\*Three patients carry two individual lesions

**Table S2. The primers used in this study to acquire PCR products for cloning**

Gene or construct	Direction	Sequences (5' - 3')	Amplicon (bps)
<i>MIR31HG</i>	Forward 1	GATCCAGGTTCCACGTCCG	~2148
	Reverse 1	GTACCGACAAAGGTACA AAGGATTATTG	
<i>MIR31HG</i>	Forward 2	CAGGTTCCACGTCCGGCGC	~2148
	Reverse 2	CGACAAAGGTACAAAGGATTATTG	
<i>LBH</i>	Forward	GGGCTCGAGGCCCTAGGACTTCATGTC	342
	Reverse	CCCGAATTCCACAGGGACTCTACTGCTC	

**Table S3. The candidate transcripts**

Correlation	ID (ENSG 00000)	Gene name	Gene type	Gene description	FPKM			Ratio	
					Parental	KO	OE	KO	OE
Positive	265073	<i>AC010761.2</i>	antisense		0.12	0.05	0.35	0.4	2.9
	266947	<i>AC022916.1</i>	antisense		0.20	0.07	0.39	0.4	2.0
	226889	<i>AL359541.1</i>	antisense		0.32	0.14	0.64	0.4	2.0
	273129	<i>PACERR</i>	LncRNA	PTGS2 antisense NFKB1 complex-mediated expression regulator RNA	0.84	0.3	1.73	0.4	2.1
	243103	<i>RN7SL452P</i>	misc_RNA	RNA, 7SL, cytoplasmic 452, pseudogene	0.47	0.14	1.09	0.3	2.3
	231333	<i>RPL34P6</i>	processed_pseudogene	ribosomal protein L34 pseudogene 6	0.27	0.12	0.77	0.4	2.9
	138135	<i>CH25H</i>	protein_coding	cholesterol 25-hydroxylase	0.68	0.32	1.88	0.5	2.8
	125845	<i>BMP2</i>	protein_coding	bone morphogenetic protein 2	0.47	0.2	1.07	0.4	2.3
	236925	<i>LTB</i>	protein_coding	lymphotoxin beta	0.4	0.18	0.86	0.4	2.2
	258713	<i>C20orf141</i>	protein_coding	chromosome 20 open reading frame 141	0.24	0.05	1.19	0.2	4.9
	175003	<i>SLC22A1</i>	protein_coding	solute carrier family 22 member 1	0.2	0.09	0.41	0.4	2.1
	196611	<i>MMP1</i>	protein_coding	matrix metallopeptidase 1	99.31	34.73	282.01	0.3	2.8
	166532	<i>RIMKLB</i>	protein_coding	ribosomal modification protein rimK like family member B	0.20	0.08	0.81	0.4	4.1
	151229	<i>SLC2A13</i>	protein_coding	solute carrier family 2 member 13	0.21	0.10	0.56	0.5	2.7
	105427	<i>CNFN</i>	protein_coding	cornifelin	0.38	0.14	0.79	0.4	2.1
	189221	<i>MAOA</i>	protein_coding	monoamine oxidase A	0.44	0.10	1.03	0.2	2.3
	138646	<i>HERC5</i>	protein_coding	HECT and RLD domain containing E3 ubiquitin protein ligase 5	0.36	0.17	3.04	0.5	8.5
	107551	<i>RASSF4</i>	protein_coding	Ras association domain family member 4	0.12	0.06	0.24	0.5	2.1
	221303	<i>SNORA79</i>	snoRNA	small nucleolar RNA, H/ACA box 79	0.66	0.29	2.64	0.4	4.0

	199805	<i>RNU1-134P</i>	snRNA	RNA, U1 small nuclear 134, pseudogene	0.56	0.25	1.28	0.4	2.3
	229344	<i>MTCO2P12</i>	unprocessed_pseudogene	mitochondrially encoded cytochrome c oxidase II pseudogene 12	0.13	0.06	0.31	0.4	2.3
	266191	<i>RF00017</i>			2.46	0.41	6.18	0.2	2.5
Negative	269019	<i>HOMER3-AS1</i>	antisense	HOMER3 antisense RNA 1	0.19	0.43	0.06	2.2	0.3
	263627	<i>PPP4R1-AS1</i>	LncRNA	PPP4R1 antisense RNA 1	0.36	0.76	0.14	2.1	0.4
	272993	<i>AC239868.3</i>	LncRNA		0.68	1.4	0.24	2	0.3
	242175	<i>RN7SL127P</i>	misc_RNA	RNA, 7SL, cytoplasmic 127, pseudogene	0.46	1.36	0.18	3.0	0.4
	199459	<i>RF00019</i>	misc_RNA		1.25	3.35	0.48	2.7	0.4
	233558	<i>AL050331.1</i>	processed_pseudogene		0.66	1.51	0.25	2.3	0.4
	263829	<i>SINHCAF1</i>	processed_pseudogene	SINHCAF pseudogene 1	0.21	0.68	0.08	3.3	0.4
	049769	<i>PPPIR3F</i>	protein_coding	protein phosphatase 1 regulatory subunit 3F	0.84	1.69	0.34	2.0	0.4
	138061	<i>CYP1B1</i>	protein_coding	cytochrome P450 family 1 subfamily B member 1	0.23	0.49	0.1	2.1	0.4
	116039	<i>ATP6VIB1</i>	protein_coding	ATPase H+ transporting V1 subunit B1	0.17	0.43	0.08	2.5	0.5
	213626	<i>LBH</i>	protein_coding	limb bud and heart development	5.04	12.74	2.08	2.5	0.4
	029534	<i>ANK1</i>	protein_coding	ankyrin 1	0.42	0.9	0.18	2.2	0.4
	214773	<i>AC112512.1</i>	sense_intronic		0.16	0.34	0.07	2.1	0.5
	207187	<i>SNORA10B</i>	snoRNA	small nucleolar RNA, H/ACA box 10B	1.04	2.77	0.4	2.7	0.4
	279691	<i>AC113410.3</i>	TEC		1.58	3.83	0.52	2.4	0.3
	240785	<i>RPL36AP21</i>	transcribed_processed_pseudogene	ribosomal protein L36a pseudogene 21	0.21	0.45	0.08	2.1	0.4
	248352	<i>TNXA</i>	pseudogene	tenascin XA (pseudogene)	0.23	0.48	0.05	2.1	0.2
	282079	<i>TAS2R64P</i>	pseudogene	taste 2 receptor member 64 pseudogene	0.15	0.44	0.06	3.0	0.4
	283989	<i>AC270107.2</i>	not defined		1.49	4.65	0.29	3.1	0.2

**Table S4. The candidate genes**

Effector	Gene name	FPKM			Ratio	
		Parental	KO	OE	KO	OE
Positive	<i>HERC5</i>	0.36	0.17	3.04	0.5	8.5
	<i>C20orf141</i>	0.24	0.05	1.19	0.2	4.9
	<i>RIMKLB</i>	0.20	0.08	0.81	0.4	4.1
	<i>MMP1</i>	99.31	34.73	282.01	0.3	2.8
	<i>CH25H</i>	0.68	0.32	1.88	0.5	2.8
	<i>SLC2A13</i>	0.21	0.10	0.56	0.5	2.7
	<i>BMP2</i>	0.47	0.20	1.07	0.4	2.3
	<i>MAOA</i>	0.44	0.10	1.03	0.2	2.3
	<i>LTB</i>	0.40	0.18	0.86	0.4	2.2
	<i>SLC22A1</i>	0.20	0.09	0.41	0.4	2.1
Negative	<i>CNFN</i>	0.38	0.14	0.79	0.4	2.1
	<i>RASSF4</i>	0.12	0.06	0.24	0.5	2.1
	<i>ATP6VIB1</i>	0.17	0.43	0.08	2.5	0.5
	<i>LBH</i>	5.04	12.74	2.08	2.5	0.4
	<i>ANK1</i>	0.42	0.90	0.18	2.2	0.4
	<i>CYP1B1</i>	0.23	0.49	0.10	2.1	0.4
	<i>PPPIR3F</i>	0.84	1.69	0.34	2.0	0.4

**Table S5. siRNAs and control oligonucleotide used in this study**

siRNA	Supplier	Cat. No.
Scr	Ambion	4390843
si- <i>MIR31HG</i>	BioTools	siRNA Negative Control
si- <i>MMP1</i>	Ambion	n266049
si- <i>MMP1</i>	BioTools	MMP1-homo-1071
si- <i>LBH</i>		MMP1-homo-338
si- <i>LBH</i>	Ambion	s37687

**Table S6. The TaqMan probes used in this study**

probe	Supplier	Cat. No.
<b><i>MIR31HG</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs01007339_g1
<b><i>MMP1</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs00899658_m1
<b><i>SLC2A13</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs01573078_m1
<b><i>BMP2</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs00154192_m1
<b><i>LBH</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs00368853_m1
<b><i>GAPDH</i></b>	Applied biosystems	Hs00266705_g1
<b><i>miR-31</i></b>	Applied biosystems	002279
<b><i>RNU6B</i></b>	Applied biosystems	001093

**Table S7. The primary antibodies used in this study**

Antibody	MW (kDa)	Host	Dilution	Supplier	Cat. No.
<b>GAPDH</b>	36	mouse	1: 10000	Santa Cruz Biotech	sc32233
<b>BMP2</b>	60	goat	1:500	Santa Cruz Biotech	sc6895
<b>MMP1</b>	54	rabbit	1:5000	Abcam	ab38929
<b>LBH</b>	17	rabbit	1:1000	Invitrogen	PA572031
<b>FAK</b>	125	rabbit	1:1000	Santa Cruz Biotech	sc557
<b>p-FAK (tyr-925)</b>	125	goat	1:1000	Santa Cruz Biotech	sc11766
<b>AKT1</b>	60	mouse	1:1000	Santa Cruz Biotech	sc5298
<b>p-AKT (thr-308)</b>	60	rabbit	1:1000	Cell Signaling	4056
<b>p44/42 MAPK (ERK1/2)</b>	42,44	rabbit	1:1000	Cell Signaling	9102
<b>p-p44/42 MAPK (ERK1/2) (Thr202/Tyr20 4)</b>	42,44	rabbit	1:1000	Santa Cruz Biotech	9101
<b>src</b>	60	mouse	1:1000	Cell Signaling	2110
<b>p-src (Y418)</b>	60	rabbit	1:1000	Biosource	411223A
<b>Active <math>\beta</math>- catenin</b>	92	mouse	1:1000	Millipore	05665
<b>p-GSK3<math>\alpha</math>/<math>\beta</math> (ser-21/9)</b>	46	rabbit	1:1000	Cell Signaling	9311L
<b>TCF4</b>	68	rabbit	1:1000	Epitomics	21141

**Table S8. The secondary antibodies used in this study.**

Antibody	Dilution	Supplier	Cat. No.
<b>anti-goat</b>	1:1000	Millipore	AP106P
<b>anti-mouse</b>	1:1000	Millipore	AP124P
<b>anti-rabbit</b>	1:1000	Millipore	AP132P