SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Human Endotrophin as a Driver of Malignant Tumor Growth

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Supplemental Figure 1. Standard curves (**A**, **B**) show sensitivity and linear dose response to endotrophin concentrations. Comparison of a tissue stain (**C**, **D**) with antibody ETPmAb4 with and without antigen pre-adsorption to demonstrate specific antigen staining. **E-H:** Col6a3 expression in pre- and post-menopausal tumors, and different tumor subtypes. The data shown in Figure 1 (all patients) was subdivided into pre- (**E**) and post-menopausal breast cancer (**F**), or into estrogen receptor positive (**G**) and estrogen receptor negative subpopulations (**H**).

Supplemental Figure 2. (A) ZR-75-1 breast cancer cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=3. (B) MCF-7 breast cancer cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=3. **(C)** MDAMB-231 breast cancer cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=3, were plated into 6-well plates and treated with endotrophin (0.1 ug/mL) three times (every other day). Total RNA was then extracted from each well. The EMT marker genes Twist, Snail, Cdh2 and Cdh1 were determined by gRT-PCR, then normalized to GAPDH. (D) MCF-7 cells (40,000 cells), n=4. (E) ZR-75-1 cells (40,000 cells), n=4. (F) MDAMB-453 cells (40,000 cells), n=4. (G) MDAMB-231 (40,000 cells), n=4, were plated into 24-well plates. When the cells reached 90% confluence, the monolayer was scratched with a 1 mL pipette tip to create 2 perpendicular straight lines across the center of the well. Cells were then treated with increasing concentrations of endotrophin (0.1 ug/mL). Images were obtained using a Nikon Cool Scope microscope (Nikon) after a 48 hr incubation. Migrating cell numbers were evaluated using ImageJ software. (H) MCF-7 cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=4. (I) ZR-75-1 cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=4. (J) MDAMB-453 cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=4. **(K)** MDAMB-231 cells (5 X 10⁵ cells), n=4, were plated in the top chamber of a trans-well plate. Endotrophin (0.1 ug/mL) was then added with or without 1% FBS in the lower chamber, then incubated for 16 hrs. Images were then obtained on a Nikon Cool Scope microscope (Nikon) after a 16 hr incubation. In all cases, data was represented as mean ± SEM, and statistical significance (***p<0.0001) was calculated using unpaired, two-tailed *t-test w/Holm-Sidak correction for multiple comparisons*.

Supplemental Figure 3. Screening for rabbit monoclonal antibodies. MCF-7 breast cancer cells (20,000 cells) were plated into a 96-well plate. Cells were then treated with 10 µm of cisplatin and 100 ng/mL of endotrophin. All 132 neutralized endotrophin antibodies were screened. Cell survival was measured using a CellTiter One Solution Cell Proliferation Assay.

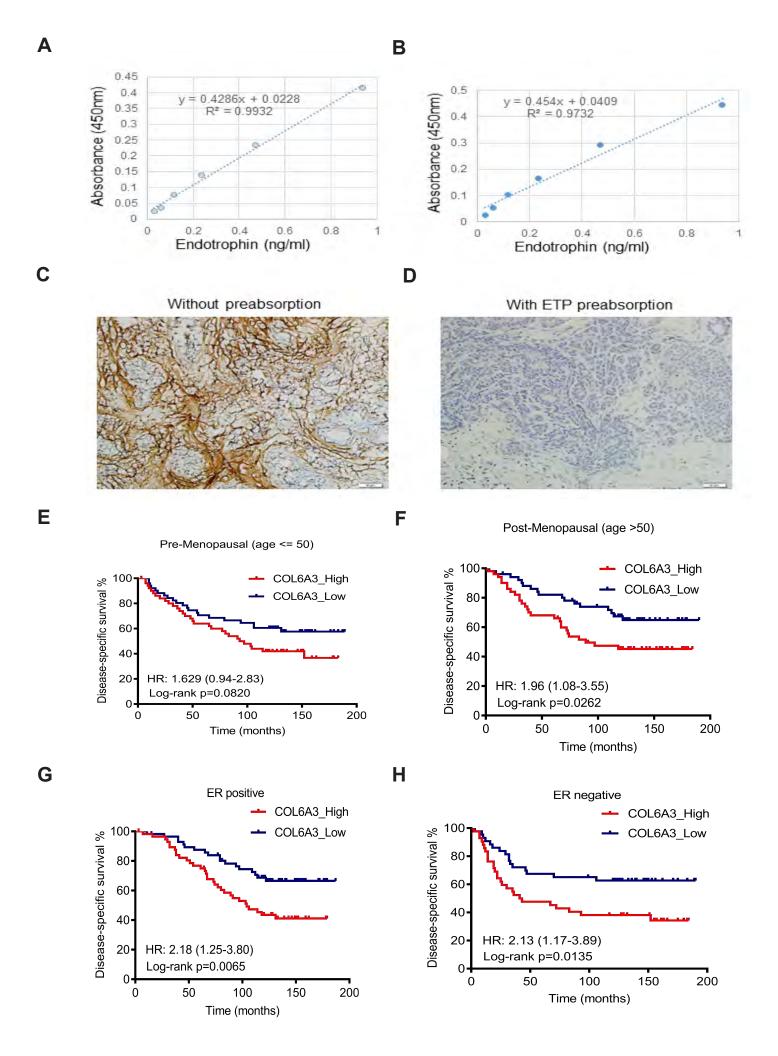
Supplemental Figure 4. SC macrophage cells (50,000 cells) were seeded at the top of a chamber. Then 100 ng/mL of endotrophin was added with 1% FBS in the bottom chamber. Next, 10 ug/mL of anti-ETP antibodies (#1, #2, #4, #6, #10, #11 and #72) were added to the bottom chamber, and incubated for 2 hr. Migrated cells were counted after 2 hr. Data was represented as mean ± SEM, n=4 and statistical significance (***P<0.0001) was calculated using unpaired, two-tailed *t-test w/Holm-Sidak correction for multiple comparisons*.

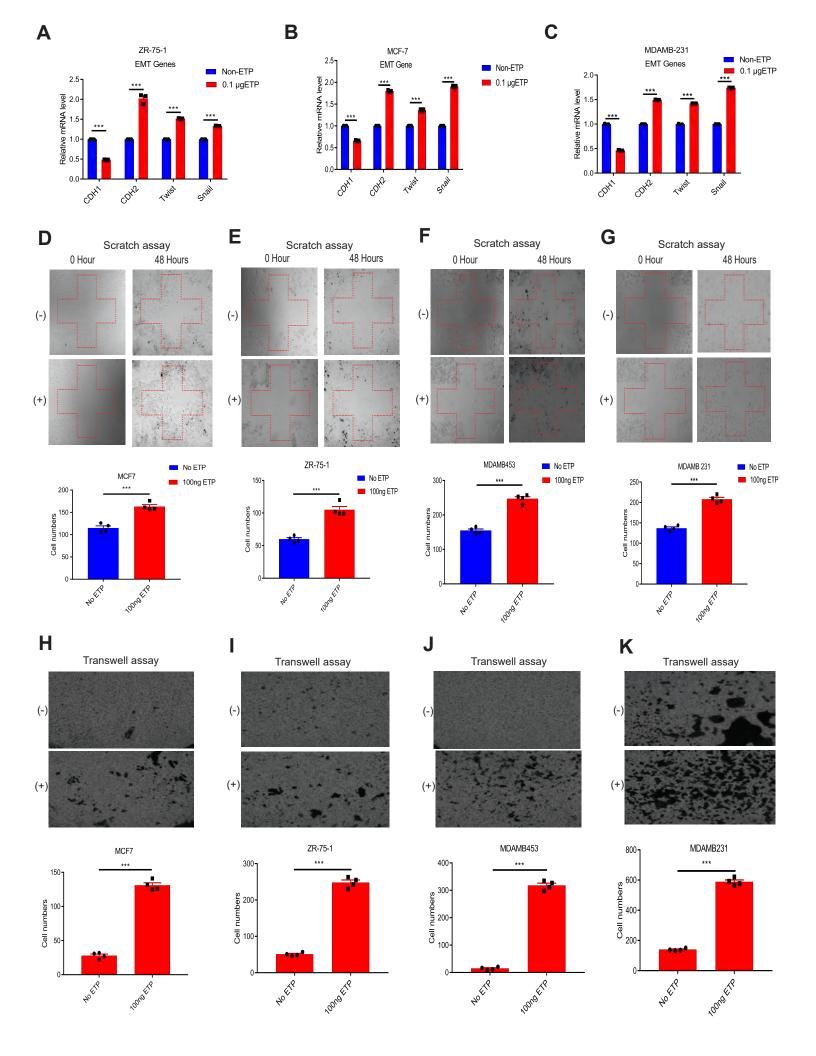
Supplemental Figure 5. (A) H&E staining and endomucin immunofluorescence staining from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab-treated ETP transfected MCF-7 tumors. Scale bars: 50µm. (B) Mac2 immunofluorescence staining for tumor tissues from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab-treatment ETP transfected MCF-7 tumors. Scale bars: 50µm. (C) E-CAD immunofluorescence

staining for tumor tissues from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab-treatment ETP transfected MCF-7 tumors. The last panel for each marker reflects a stain with DAPI. Scale bars: 50µm.

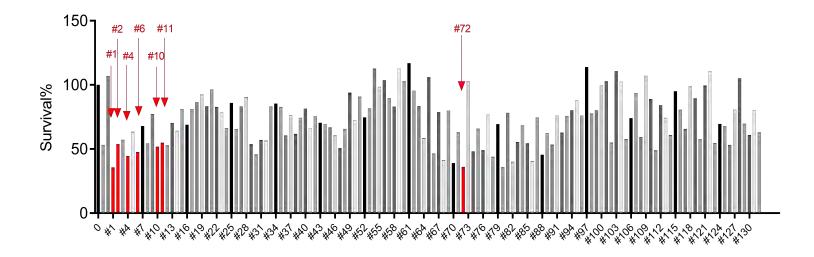
Supplemental Figure 6. (A) H&E staining and endomucin immunofluorescence staining from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab-treatment MDAMB-231 tumors. Scale bars: 50µm. (B) Mac2 immunofluorescence staining for tumor tissues from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab treatment MDAMB-231tumors. Scale bars: 50µm. (C) E-CAD immunofluorescence staining for tumor tissues from CTRL Ab and #4 Ab-treatment MDAMB-231 tumors. The last panel for each marker reflects a stain with DAPI. Scale bars: 50µm.

Supplemental Figure 7. Kinetics of the rabbit parental antibody ENTmAb4 (left) and the humanized version hENTmAb4 (right) were assessed using an Octet RED96.





MTS assay screening ETP antibody



Transwell assay

