

Somatic Gene Mutations Expose Cytoplasmic DNA to Co-Opt the cGAS-STING-NLRP3 Axis in Myelodysplastic Syndromes

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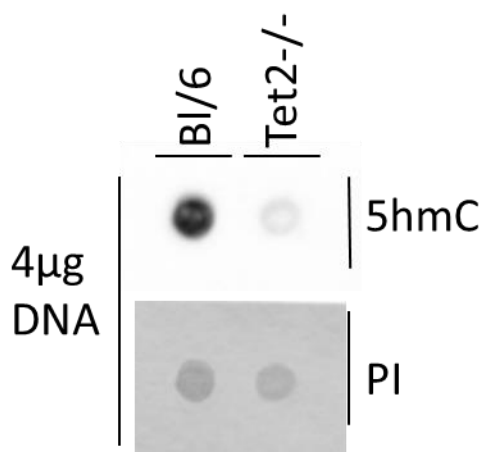
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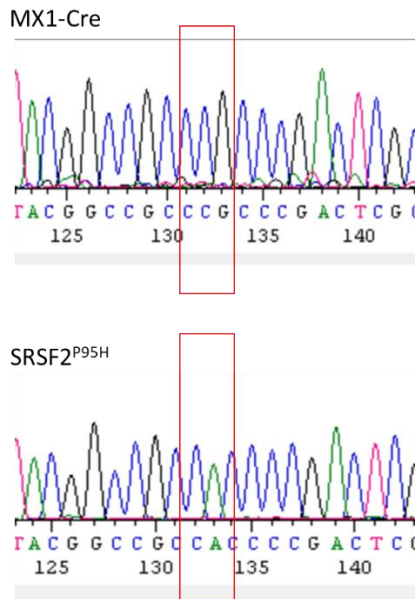
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Supplemental Figure S1. Immortalized cell line validation. (A) Dot blot of 5-hydroxymethylcytosine in *Tet2*^{-/-} and wildtype (BI/6) immortalized cell lines. Propidium iodide (PI) is used as a loading control. (B) Sequence of *Srsf2*^{P95H} and wild type (MX1-Cre) immortalized cells with the wild type reference sequence demonstrating mutation.

A.



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Supplemental Tables:

Supplemental Table S1. RNA polymerase expression in MDS. Gene expression of all subunits for POLR1, POLR2, and POLR3 were significantly upregulated in MDS BM-MNCs (n = 213) compared to age-matched donors (n = 20).

Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) I polypeptide A, 194kDa (POLR1A), mRNA.	POLR1A	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) I polypeptide B, 128kDa (POLR1B), transcript variant 2, mRNA.	POLR1B	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) I polypeptide C, 30kDa (POLR1C), mRNA.	POLR1C	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) I polypeptide D, 16kDa (POLR1D), transcript variant 3, mRNA.	POLR1D	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) I polypeptide E, 53kDa (POLR1E), transcript variant 1, mRNA.	POLR1E	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide A, 220kDa (POLR2A), mRNA.	POLR2A	P = 0.0005
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide B, 140kDa (POLR2B), mRNA.	POLR2B	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide C, 33kDa (POLR2C), mRNA.	POLR2C	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide D (POLR2D), mRNA.	POLR2D	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide E, 25kDa (POLR2E), mRNA.	POLR2E	P = 0.0004
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide F (POLR2F), mRNA.	POLR2F	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide G (POLR2G), mRNA.	POLR2G	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide H (POLR2H), transcript variant 2, mRNA.	POLR2H	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide I, 14.5kDa (POLR2I), mRNA.	POLR2I	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide J, 13.3kDa (POLR2J), mRNA.	POLR2J	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide K, 7.0kDa (POLR2K), mRNA.	POLR2K	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide L, 7.6kDa (POLR2L), mRNA.	POLR2L	P = 0.0297
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide J3 (POLR2J3), mRNA.	POLR2J3	P = 0.4111

Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide A, 155kDa (POLR3A), mRNA.	POLR3A	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide B (POLR3B), transcript variant 2, mRNA.	POLR3B	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide C (62kD) (POLR3C), mRNA.	POLR3C	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide D, 44kDa (POLR3D), mRNA.	POLR3D	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide E (80kD) (POLR3E), transcript variant 1, mRNA.	POLR3E	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide F, 39 kDa (POLR3F), transcript variant 1, mRNA.	POLR3F	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide G (32kD) (POLR3G), mRNA.	POLR3G	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide G (32kD)-like (POLR3GL), mRNA.	POLR3GL	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide H (22.9kD) (POLR3H), transcript variant 3, mRNA.	POLR3H	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) III (DNA directed) polypeptide K, 12.3 kDa (POLR3K), mRNA.	POLR3K	P < 0.0001
Homo sapiens polymerase (RNA) mitochondrial (DNA directed) (POLRMT), mRNA.	POLRMT	P < 0.0001

Table S2. PCR and CRISPR Primers.

Gene	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
<i>ISG15</i>	GAGAGGCAGCGAACTCATCT	CTTCAGCTCTGACACCGACA
<i>CXCL10</i>	AAGTGGCATTCAAGGAGTACCT	AACACGTGGACAAAATTGGCT
<i>SAMD9L</i>	AGGAAAATCCTGCATTTCCAGAG	GCAAGGGGCTTACACTTTCC
<i>GAPDH</i>	GAAGGTGAAGGTCGGACT	GAAGATGGTGATGGGATTTT
<i>Isg15</i>	TGACGCAGACTGTAGACACG	TGGGGCTTTAGGCCATACTC
<i>Cxcl10</i>	GACGGTCCGCTGCAACTG	CTTCCCTATGGCCCTCATTCT
<i>Ccl5</i>	CCCTCACCATCATCCTCACT	AGAGGTAGGCAAAGCAGCAG
<i>Gapdh</i>	GAAGGTGAAGGTCGGACT	GAAGATGGTGATGGGATTTT
CRISPR Guide	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer
cGAS_sg3	TGTTTAAACTGGAAGTCCCC	GGGGACTTCCAGTTTAAACA
cGAS_sg4	AAATTCAAAGAATTCCACG	CGTGGAATTCTTTTGAATTT
Scrambled	CACCGACGGAGGCTAAGCGTCGCA	TGCGACGCTTAGCCTCCGTCCGGTG

Table S3. Antibodies.

Antibody	Manufacturer	Catalog Number	Dilution
S9.6 APC	Absolute Antibody, Wilton, UK	Ab01137-24.1	1:500
Lamin B1	Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA	MA1-06103	1:1000
cGAS FITC	LifeSpan Biosciences, Seattle, WA	LS-C247018	1:500
P-IRF3 PE	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA	83611	1:50
CD71 AF700	BD Biosciences, Franklin Lakes, NJ	563769	1:100
ASC AF647	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Santa Cruz, CA	sc-514414 AF647	1:500
IL-1 β PerCP	R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN	IC201C	1:500
Caspase-1	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA	2225	1:1000
Beta Actin	Sigma, St. Louis, MO	A5316	1:1000
IRF3	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA	4302	1:1000
Histone H3	Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA	4499	1:1000

