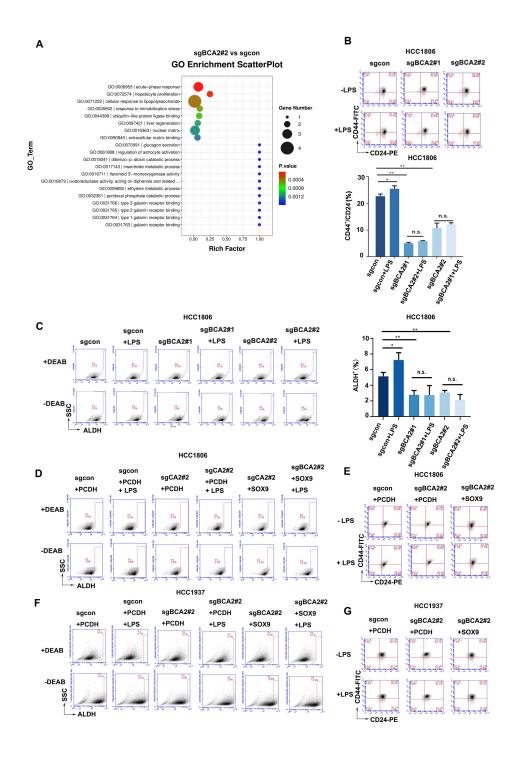


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2 Supplementary Figure 1

- 3 A) Immunoblot analysis of SOX9, OCT4, Slug and tubulin after knockout of BCA2
- 4 in HCC1806 cells.
- 5 B) Immunoblot analysis of SOX9, OCT4, Slug and tubulin after knockout of BCA2
- 6 in HCC1937 cells.



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8 Supplementary Figure 2

9 A) GO showing enrichment of cellular response to LPS in BCA2 differentially
10 expressed genes based on RNA-Seq data (sgBCA2#2 vs sgcon).

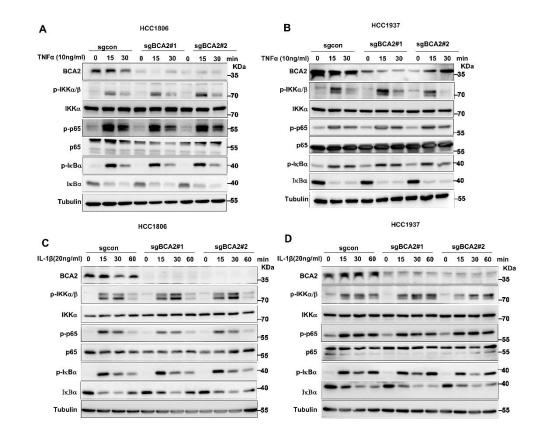
B) CD44⁺/CD24⁻ BCSC population analysis in HCC1806 cells with BCA2 knockout
 followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL). Statistical results of the
 CD44⁺/CD24⁻ BCSC population in HCC1806 cells (*, p < 0.05 **, p < 0.01, n.s. ,
 not significant).

C) ALDH activity detected by ALDEFLUOR assay in HCC1806 cells with BCA2
 knockout followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL). Statistical results of the
 ALDH+ BCSC population in HCC1806 cells (*, p < 0.05 **, p < 0.01, n.s. , not
 significant).

D) ALDH activity detected by ALDEFLUOR assay in HCC1806 cells with BCA2
 knockout followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL) or BCA2 knockout
 followed by SOX9 rescue and stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL).

- E) CD44⁺/CD24⁻ BCSC population analysis in HCC1806 cells with BCA2 knockout
 followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL) or BCA2 knockout followed by
 SOX9 rescue and stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL).
- F) ALDH activity detected by ALDEFLUOR assay in HCC1937 cells with BCA2
 knockout followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL) or BCA2 knockout
 followed by SOX9 rescue and stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL).
- G) CD44⁺/CD24⁻ BCSC population analysis in HCC1937 cells with BCA2 knockout
 followed by stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL) or BCA2 knockout followed by
 SOX9 rescue and stimulation with LPS (50 ng/mL).

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33 Supplementary Figure 3

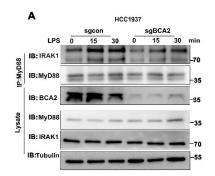
A) Immunoblot analysis of total and phosphorylated IKK α/β, p65, and I κ B α in
BCA2 knockout and control HCC1806 cells stimulated with TNFα (10 ng/mL)
for 0-30 minute.

B) Immunoblot analysis of total and phosphorylated IKK α/β, p65, and I κ B α in
BCA2 knockout and control HCC1937 cells stimulated with TNFα (10 ng/mL)
for 0-30 minutes.

40 C) Immunoblot analysis of total and phosphorylated IKK α/β , p65, and I κ B α in 41 BCA2 knockout and control HCC1806 cells stimulated with IL-1 β (20 ng/mL)

- 42 for 0-60 minutes.
- 43 D) Immunoblot analysis of total and phosphorylated IKK α/β , p65, and I $\kappa B \alpha$ in
- 44 BCA2 knockout and control HCC1937 cells stimulated with IL-1 β (20 ng/mL) for

45 0-60 minutes.



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47 Supplementary Figure 4

48 A) HCC1937 cells with BCA2 knockout were stimulated with LPS (500 ng/ml) for

49 0-30 minutes before immunoprecipitation and immunoblot analysis.

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