

Supplementary Information accompanying:

The HAPSTR2 retrogene buffers stress signaling and resilience in mammals

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Supplementary Figure 1: Further analysis of the HAPSTR2 genomic DNA sequence. Retrocopies insert into the genome with their ancestor's 5' untranslated region (UTR), typically including a poly(A) addition signal and a poly(A) tail. The LINE-1 retrotransposon machinery also leaves a target site duplication scar flanking this tail and the 3' sequence. While these sequences represent evidence for a retrocopy's origins as a mature mRNA, they are expected to degenerate substantially over time due to lack of selection¹. Here, we identify remnants in HAPSTR2 which have characteristics of these retrogene signatures. Note key at bottom of figure. Numbers indicate nucleotide position relative to beginning of start codon.

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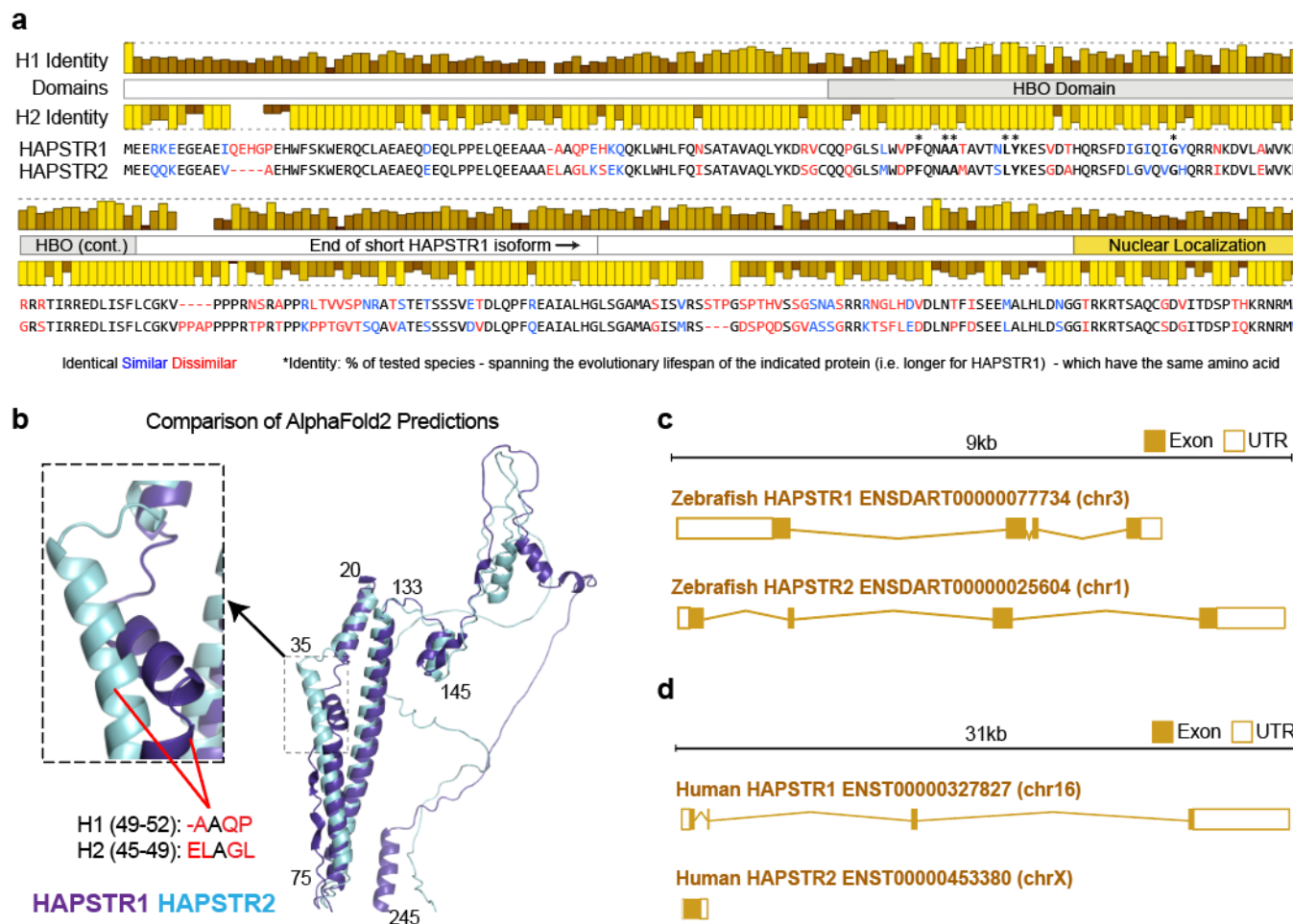
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Candidate retrogene signatures: target site duplication, poly(A) tail, and nearby poly(A) addition signal

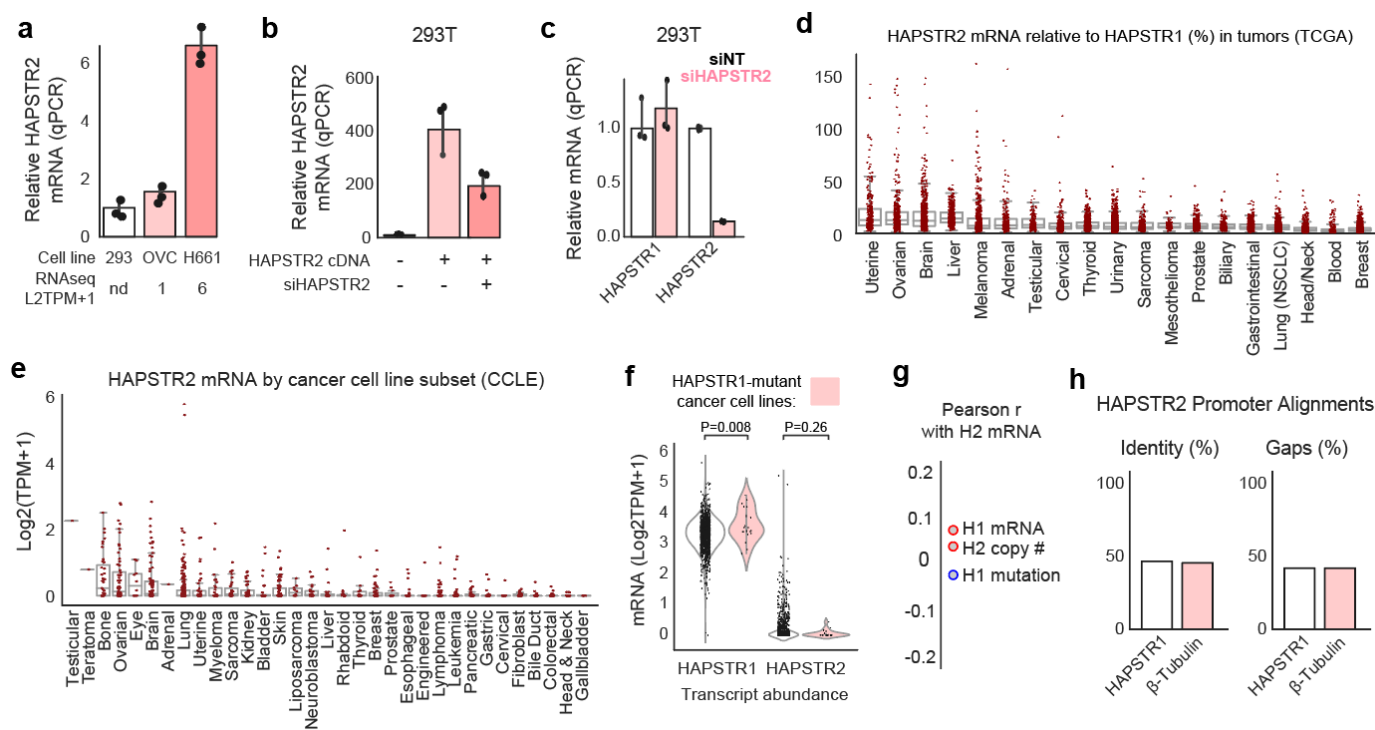
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Candidate poly(A) 1 (2259-2343), 54.1% A; Candidate poly(A) 2 (3232-3361), 55.4% A

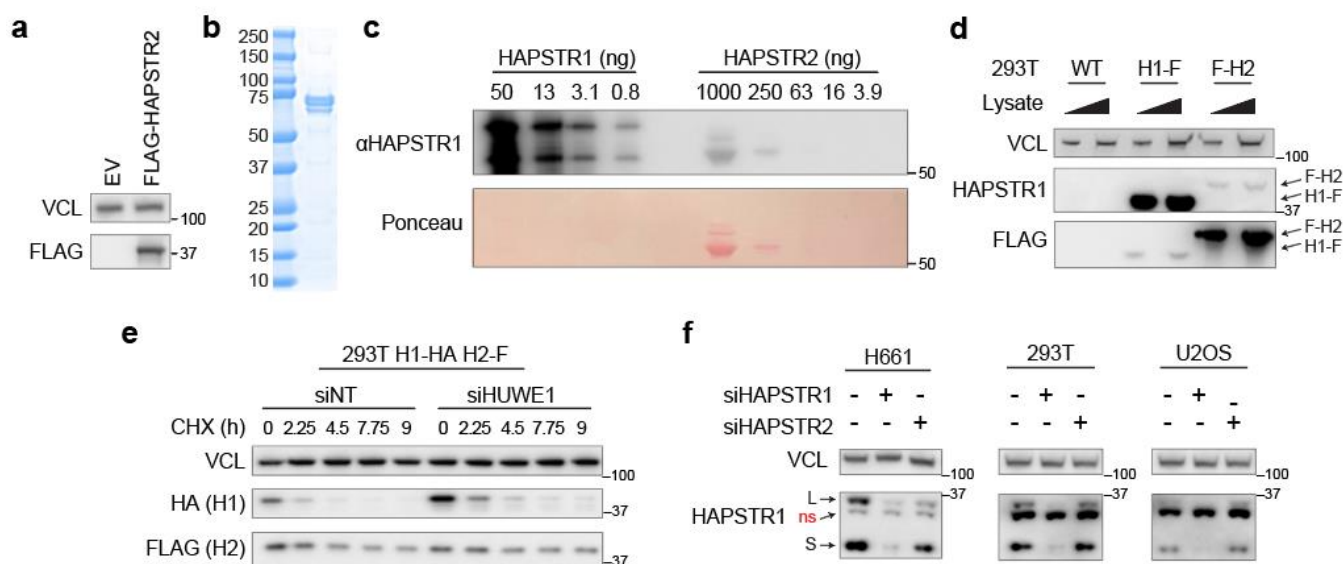
Supplementary Figure 2: Further analysis of HAPSTR gene and protein structures. a) Sequence and domains of HAPSTR proteins, as in Fig. 1E, but highlighting the degree to which individual residues have remained identical for each protein over their evolutionary lifespan. Note that HAPSTR2 (H2) covers much less evolutionary time than does HAPSTR1 (H1) and thus comparisons should be primarily intra-protein. Similarity was determined using the BLOSUM62 substitution matrix. **b)** AlphaFold2-derived prediction of HAPSTR2 protein structure aligned and compared with that of HAPSTR1. Highlighted is the largest discrepancy. A segment ending in HAPSTR1's proline 52, a glycine in HAPSTR2, promotes a second kink in the alpha helix that is predicted to be absent in HAPSTR2. N- and C- terminal amino acids (disordered, not confidently predicted) are hidden for visibility. **c-d)** Structure of a HAPSTR1 chromosomal gene segment duplication in fish (c) vs. a HAPSTR1 retrocopy insertion in mammals (d), with representative species shown. UTR, untranslated region; kb, kilobases.



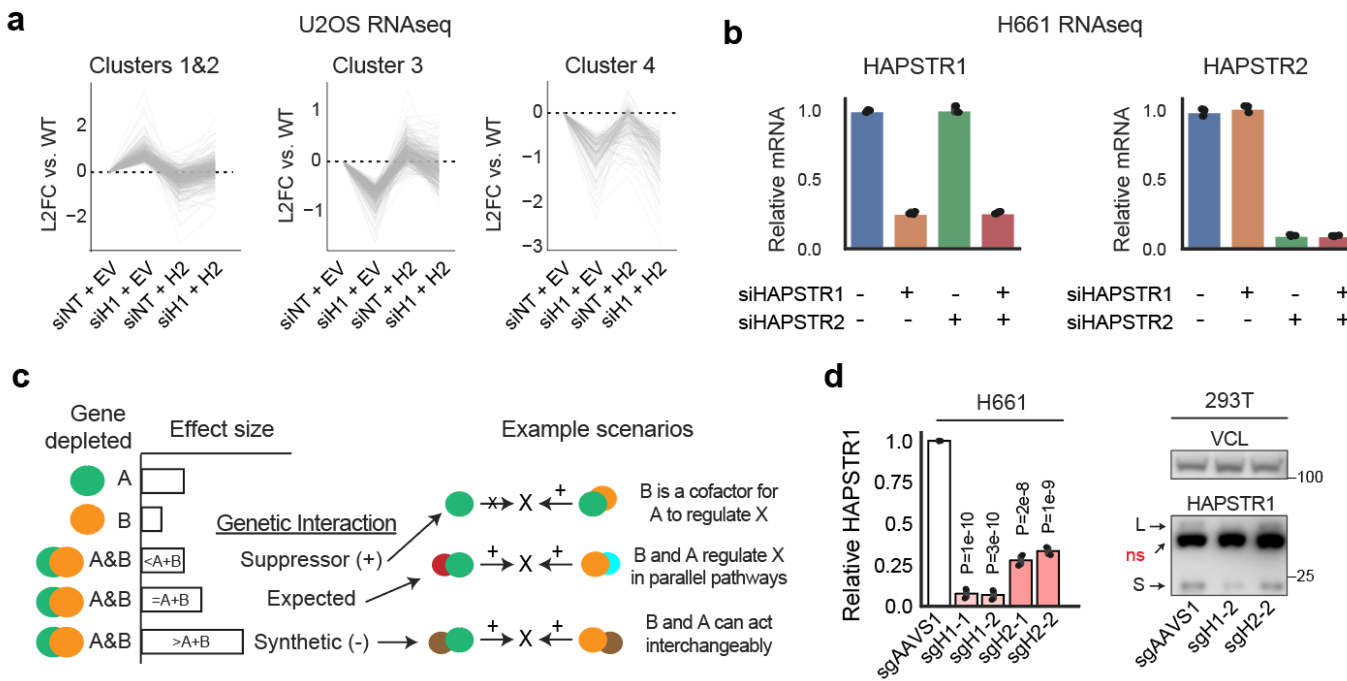
Supplementary Figure 3: Further analysis of HAPSTR2 transcription. **a)** RT-qPCR signal for HAPSTR2, relative to beta-actin, in three cell lines (293T, OVCAR3, H661) is proportional to the abundance estimates for HAPSTR2 in RNA-seq experiments. nd, no data for cell line. N=3 biologically independent samples shown. Mean +/- 95% confidence interval (CI). **b-c)** HAPSTR2 overexpression and knockdown validate primer specificity for HAPSTR2 qPCR (b) and indicate that HAPSTR2 siRNA (siHAPSTR2) does not impact HAPSTR1 transcript abundance (c). N=3 biologically independent samples shown. Mean +/- 95% CI. **d)** HAPSTR2 mRNA abundance relative to HAPSTR1 in human tumors from TCGA, i.e. HAPSTR2/HAPSTR1 * 100. Box is median and lower/upper quartile with whiskers double the interquartile range. N=10535. **e)** Pattern of HAPSTR2 gene expression in cancer cell line RNA-seq experiments; CCLE data. N=1825. Box is median and lower/upper quartile with whiskers double the interquartile range. **f-g)** HAPSTR2 expression is not induced in contexts of HAPSTR1 non-silent mutation and does not correlate strongly with HAPSTR1 expression levels or copy number; CCLE data. Two-tailed t-test (f). **h)** HAPSTR2's promoter region does not strongly align with that of HAPSTR1 as compared with an unrelated control gene. TPM, transcripts per million; L2, log₂; cDNA, complementary DNA.



Supplementary Figure 4: Further analysis of the HAPSTR2 protein. **a)** FLAG (F)-HAPSTR2 transfection in 293T cells results in expression at the predicted size. Representative of N>10. EV, empty vector. **b)** Representative Coomassie-stained gel of 1 µg recombinant MBP-HAPSTR2. Like MBP-HAPSTR1, C-terminal truncation or cleavage fragments are present². Representative of N=3. **c-d)** HAPSTR1 Clone 2B8 antibody (Origene) readily recognizes HAPSTR1 but less avidly recognizes HAPSTR2. 2-fold increase in lysate loaded in (d). Both representative of N=3. **e)** Representative immunoblot for stability experiments quantified in Fig. 3i, N=3. HAPSTR1 (H1), HAPSTR2 (H2), non-targeting (NT), hours (h), cycloheximide (CHX). **f)** Representative immunoblots for experiments quantified in Fig. 4d. N=3. Note that HAPSTR1 on immunoblot appears as a long (L) and short (S) isoform with a nonspecific (ns) band in between².



Supplementary Figure 5: Further analysis of HAPSTR depletion and knockdown genetic interaction experiments. **a)** Individual gene expression profiles for each gene in the indicated cluster, related to Fig. 5c. **b)** Confirmation of efficient knockdown and specificity of reagents in our H661 siRNA RNA-sequencing experiment. N=3 biologically independent samples. Mean +/- 95% confidence interval (CI). **c)** Schematic illustration of how different genetic interactions may be observed by comparing single and double loss-of-function experiments. **d)** Effect of CRISPR-Cas9 sgRNAs targeting HAPSTR1 (H1) or HAPSTR2 (H2) in HAPSTR2-expressing H661 cells and HAPSTR2-non-expressing 293T cells. N=3. Mean +/- 95% CI. Two-tailed t-test vs. sgAAVS1.



Supplementary Table 1

HAPSTR2 gateway cloning and mutagenesis primers	
hap2_attB_1F	ggggacaagtttgtacaaaaaagcaggcttaATGGAGGAGCAGCAGAAG
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hap2_attB_249R	ggggaccactttgtacaagaaagctgggtttcaGATCCCCCACTGTCCAGG
hap2_G116R_fwd	CCAGGTTCCGCCACCACGCTCGCATCAAAG
hap2_G116R_rev	TGGTGGCGAACCTGGACACCCAAGTC
Real-time quantitative PCR primers	
hsHAPSTR1_F	GTTCTCCACCACGAAACTCT
hsHAPSTR1_R	TGCACCACTAAGACCATGCAGA
hsHAPSTR2_F	TGGAGGACGACTTGAATCCC
hsHAPSTR2_R	TTAGACCATTTCGGTTGCGCT
hsACTB-F	CATGTACGTTGCTATCCAGGC
hsACTB-R	CTCCTTAATGTCACGCACGAT
sgRNA sequences	
AAVS1	GGGGCCACTAGGGACAGGAT
Non-Targeting	ATCGTTTCCGCTTAACGGCG
HAPSTR1-1	TTTGTAGAGATTGGTGACGG
HAPSTR1-2	GCAATAAGGATGTGTTGGCT
HAPSTR2-1	CATCTTTGATGCGACGCTGG
HAPSTR2-2	CAAGTCAAACTTCGTTGGT
Key antibodies	
HAPSTR1	Origene OTI2B8
FLAG	Sigma F3165
HA	Thermo 26183
HUWE1	Abcam ab70161
Vinculin	Sigma V9131
HO-1/HMOX1	Novus NBP1-97507
p21/CDKN1A	CST 2947
p53/TP53	Sigma P6749
siRNA sequences	
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HAPSTR2-4	GCUUCUUGGAGGACGACUU
HAPSTR1-1	CUACAAAGACCGAGUGUGU
HAPSTR1-2	GAAUUCAGAUUGGCUAUCA
HAPSTR1-3	CAGAAGAACUAUUCGUCGA
HAPSTR1-4	GAUCUAAACUGCAAACAUU

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