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Software and code

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Data collection	Cell proliferation data was collected using Incucyte S3 software (v2019a, Essen BioScience). Images were taken on DMI8 fluorescence microscope (Leica). Flow cytometry data was collected using Accuri C6 (BD Biosciences).
Data analysis	Microscope images were analyzed with open source software: CellProfiler (version 3.1.9) and ImageJ (version 1.53c). RNA-seq FASTQ data were preprocessed using HTStream (UC Davis, github.com/s4hts/HTStream) and aligned to the GRCh38 reference genome using STAR (version 2.5.3b). Gene-level counts were obtained using the human GENCODE v37 gene annotation (encodegenes.org/human). Differential gene expression was calculated using R packages: edgeR (version 3.34.1) and limma (version 3.48.3). Incucyte S3 software (v2019a, Essen BioScience) was used for automated microscopy analysis. Putative KRAS interacting genes included in shRNA libraries were derived using previously published algorithms described in details in Supplementary Methods. Methylation analysis. The Minfi package available in R. IDAT files was taken as input, preprocessed, and normalized. Quality control/preprocessing included removal of low-quality probes and probes on problematic positions such as probes that were on multi-mapped, SNPs, or cross-reactive sites. Following initial filtering and quality check, data were normalized using the quantile normalization method. Batch effects and cell-type heterogeneity were assessed. Both Beta and M-values were then generated. All downstream statistical analyses were generated with M-values while plots were displayed as Beta-values. Additional annotations such as promoter region and island prediction were all acquired with annotations data packages from Bioconductor. Unsupervised t-SNE was performed on the top 10000 most variable CpGs (on the basis of median absolute deviation). Single differential methylation probe (DMP) analysis was performed using the linear

modeling provided by the limma package and differential variable probe (DVP) was performed with the DiffVar package. The DMRcate package was then used to determine differential methylated regions (DMR). Pathway analysis. To test for over-representation we used the function goana from the limma package with custom pathway sets downloaded from MSigDB. Genes that were associated with differentially methylated probes were used as input. However, since multiple probes can be associated with the same gene, we removed any genes on probes with opposing directions followed by the removal of duplicates, resulting in a unique list of genes.

Correlation analysis. Spearman correlation and p-value follow with Benjamini-Hochberg false discovery rates were computed for UHRF1 against every gene in the tumor suppressor list.

Survival analysis. Standardized clinical survival end-points for TCGA (LUAD dataset) consisting of DSS, OSS and OS were downloaded from a dataset previously curated from Liu et al. This set contains survival end-points for overall survival (OS), disease-specific survival (DSS), disease-free interval (DFI) and progression-free interval (PFI). RNAseq expression data for LUAD was downloaded from Firehose, Broad institute and subsequently converted to log2 cpm with the edgeR package from raw read counts. Somatic mutation for the LUAD data set was acquired from the UCSC Xena public repository. Samples with non-silent KRAS mutation(s) were assigned to the KRAS-positive (KRAS+) group and all others as KRAS wildtype (KRASwt) group. Samples with KRAS silent mutations were excluded from the analysis. Kaplan-Meier and multivariate Cox hazard regression were completed using the survminer and survival packages in R. For the multivariate Cox regression analysis, we adjusted for age of diagnosis, gender, and cancer stage. We grouped samples as (Normal vs High) expression based on the quantile of the UHRF1 gene expression: normal is < 75th percentile and high is > 75th percentile.

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The data has been deposited to NCBI GEO under a single Super Series: GSE198450. A reviewer read-only token has been generated: kvaruuswhzctjyn and can be used to access the datasets.

Human research participants

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Population characteristics

N/A

Recruitment

N/A

Ethics oversight

N/A

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size

For all RNAseq and methylation array experiments, experiments were performed in 2 or 3 replicates.

For in vivo and in vitro experiments, sample size is indicated in the figure legend or in the methods section corresponding to each experiment. The sample size was determined based on previous experience for each experiment to detect specific effects and was not predetermined with any statistical methods.

Data exclusions

No data was excluded

Replication	Each in vivo experiment presented in the paper was repeated in multiple mice. In vitro experiments were replicated as indicated in the figure legends or Methods section.
Randomization	For all in vivo experiments mice were randomly allocated to experimental groups.
Blinding	N/A

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Materials & experimental systems

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☐	☒ Antibodies
☐	☒ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☐	☒ Animals and other organisms
☒	☐ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☐	☒ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Antibodies

Antibodies used	UHRF1 (sc-373750, Santa Cruz Biotechnology), KRAS (Op24, Millipore), Cyclin D1 (ab134175, Abcam), actin (Sigma, A5316), Cyclin B1 (ab32053, Abcam), GAPDH (no. 9485, Abcam), Ki67 (ab15580, Abcam), biotinylated secondary horse anti-mouse IgG biotinylated antibody (Vector Laboratories, BA-2000), goat anti-rabbit AF488 secondary antibody (ThermoFisher Scientific, A-11008, 1:200), goat anti-mouse AF647 secondary antibody 1:200 (ThermoFisher Scientific, A-21235).
Validation	UHRF1, KRAS and Cyclin D1 antibodies were validated using western blot on cells treated with UHRF1, KRAS and CyclinD1 siRNAs, respectively (Fig. 5h, Extended Data Fig. 3).

Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	All human cell lines were purchased from ATCC. LKR10 cells were derived from the KRAS G12D mouse model (DuPage et al, 2011).
Authentication	Human cell lines were positively authenticated using CellCheck 9 - human (9 Marker STR Profile and Inter-species Contamination Test) from Idexx Bioanalytics (https://www.idexxbioanalytics.com)
Mycoplasma contamination	All cell lines were tested for mycoplasma contamination by PCR (IDEXX BioResearch). All cell lines were negative for Mycoplasma sp.
Commonly misidentified lines (See ICLAC register)	No commonly misidentified cell lines were used

Animals and other research organisms

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Laboratory animals	8-10 week old NSG mice were used for xenograft experiments. C57BL/6 mice were used for genetically engineered mouse experiments.
Wild animals	This study did not involve wild animals
Reporting on sex	Sex was not considered in this study
Field-collected samples	This study did not involve field-collected samples
Ethics oversight	All the procedures involving mice were approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) at UCSF (protocol #AN15761).

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Flow Cytometry

Plots

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Methodology

Sample preparation	Sample preparation for flow cytometry is described in the Methods section under "Apoptosis and cell cycle analysis"
Instrument	Flow cytometry data was acquired on Accuri C6 (BD Biosciences)
Software	Flow cytometry data was analyzed using FlowJo (v10).
Cell population abundance	Cell sorting was not performed in this study.
Gating strategy	FSC and SSC were used to gate out single cell populations. Negative and positive staining populations were determined based on single-stained controls.

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