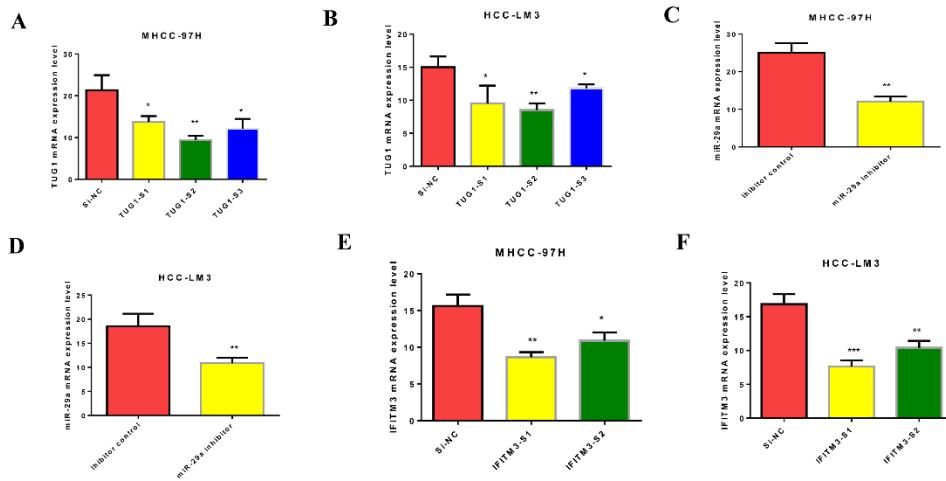


Supplementary Figure 1. A. The relationship between the expression of TUG1 and TNM staging. B. The expression of TUG1 and mir-29a obtained from the database. C. The expression of IFITM3 in HCC downloaded from the GEPIA2 database. D. The expression of IFITM3 in HCC. E. Based on the results of qRT-PCR, the relationship between the expression of TUG1 and IFITM3 is shown.



Supplementary Figure 2. Before performing functional experiments, first transfet all interfering fragments into HCC cells, verify the effect of SiRNA by qRT-PCR, and select the best one. A.B: TUG1 3 SiRNA selection. C, D: Test the inhibitory effect of miR-29a inhibitors in two cell lines. E, F: IFITM3 3 SiRNA selection. \* $p < 0.05$ , \*\* $p < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $p < 0.0001$ .

The p-value represents the  $\chi^2$  test performed to show the difference between the expression of TUG1 and IFITM3 in each group. HCC, hepatocellular carcinoma; AFP,  $\alpha$ -fetoprotein; HBsAg, hepatitis B surface antigen; TNM, tumor-node metastasis; n, number of cases.

Table S1. Selection of downstream target genes of TUG1.

Table S2. List of primer sequences.

### Selection of downstream target genes of TUG1

Gene	miRNA	Pr. score
TUG1	hsa-miR-320c	0.815
TUG1	hsa-miR-29b-1-5p	0.634
TUG1	hsa-miR-5006-3p	0.611
TUG1	hsa-miR-135a-5p	0.729
TUG1	hsa-miR-18a-5p	0.692
TUG1	hsa-let-7d-5p	0.718
TUG1	hsa-miR-9-3p	0.810
TUG1	hsa-miR-27a-3p	0.815
TUG1	hsa-miR-224-5p	0.688
TUG1	hsa-miR-1305	0.937
TUG1	hsa-miR-21-5p	0.680
TUG1	hsa-miR-548ay-5p	0.863
TUG1	hsa-miR-588	0.703
TUG1	hsa-miR-16-1-3p	0.625
TUG1	hsa-miR-29a-3p	0.941
TUG1	hsa-miR-186-5p	0.764

**Primer sequence**

Target Gene	Primer(5'-3')
TUG1	F:5'- GCATCTTGCCCACATACACC -3' R: 5' - GCCTGCTCTCTAAACTCCTCCTT -3'
miR-29a	F: 5'-TGCCTAGCACCATCTGAAAT-3' R: 5'-CAGTGCAGGGTCCGAGGT-3'
IFITM3	F:5' - ACTGTCCAACCTTCTCTCTCC -3' R: 5'-TCGCCAACCATCTCCTGTC-3'
GAPDH	F: : 5'-TATGATGATATCAAGAGGGTAGT-3' R: 5'-TGTATCCAAACTCATTGTCATAC-3
U6	F: 5' -CTCGCTTCGGCAGCACA-3' R:5' -AACGCTTCACGAATTGCGT-3'