Figure 1: Identification of RND1 as a candidate breast tumour suppressor.

(a)Kaplan-Meier analysis of the correlation between the level of the mRNA encoding each Rho-family GTPase and metastasis-free survival in the MSKCC data set. The graph shows the hazard ratio (top) and the log-rank P value (bottom) associated with expression of each Rho GTPase. (b) MCF-10A cells were transduced with lentiviral vectors encoding two shRNAs targeting Rnd1 or a control shRNA and subjected to qPCR for Rnd1 (left) or infected with a retrovirus encoding wild-type Rnd1 followed by lentiviruses carrying two shRNAs targeting Rnd1 or a control shRNA and subjected to immunoblotting with affinity-purified antibody against Rnd1 (right). See Methods for the antibodies. The graph shows the average and s.d. (n = 3 biological replicates). (c-e) Control and Rnd1-silenced MCF-10A cells were cultured for 5 days and photographed; scale bar, 50 μm (c) or they were subjected to immunofluorescent staining for β-catenin (β-cat, green), E-cadherin (E-Cad, red) and DAPI (d) or anti-E-cadherin (E-cad, Red), phalloidin (actin, green) and DAPI (e). Pictures show areas of similar cell density. Scale bars, 15 µM. (f) Control and Rnd1-silenced MCF-10A cells were subjected to immunoblotting with the indicated antibodies. Arrows point to the mesenchymal (1) and epithelial (3) splice isoform of p120 catenin. The graph shows a densitometric quantification of the abundance of isoforms as fold change over control values. (g) Control and Rnd1-silenced MCF-10A cells were subjected to qPCR for the indicated genes. Data are from one experiment in which triplicate samples were assessed in parallel, the experiment was repeated twice. (h) Correlation between normalized RND1 mRNA levels and oestrogen receptor (ER) status (left) and transcriptomic tumour subtypes (middle and right) in breast cancer DNA microarray data sets available from Oncomine (1: ref. 62; n = 47, 2: ref. 63; n = 118, 3: ref. 13; n = 121, 4: ref. 64; n = 129, 5: ref. 65; n = 286, 6: ref. 66; n = 55, 7: ref. 67; n = 49, 8: ref. 68; n = 133). n number of patients. Box represents median values. TN, triple-negative. (i) Kaplan–Meier analysis of relapsefree survival for all patients (n = 2,324), ER-negative patients (n = 494), or ER-positive patients (n = 1,830) using the open source KM Plotter (http://kmplot.com/analysis)¹⁸. c-f show one of three representative experiment. P values by the Student's t-test are: **P = < 0.01; ***P < 0.001. The biological replicates yielded similar results. For source data, see Supplementary Table 8. Uncropped blots are shown in Supplementary Fig. 9.

