

Supplementary Figures

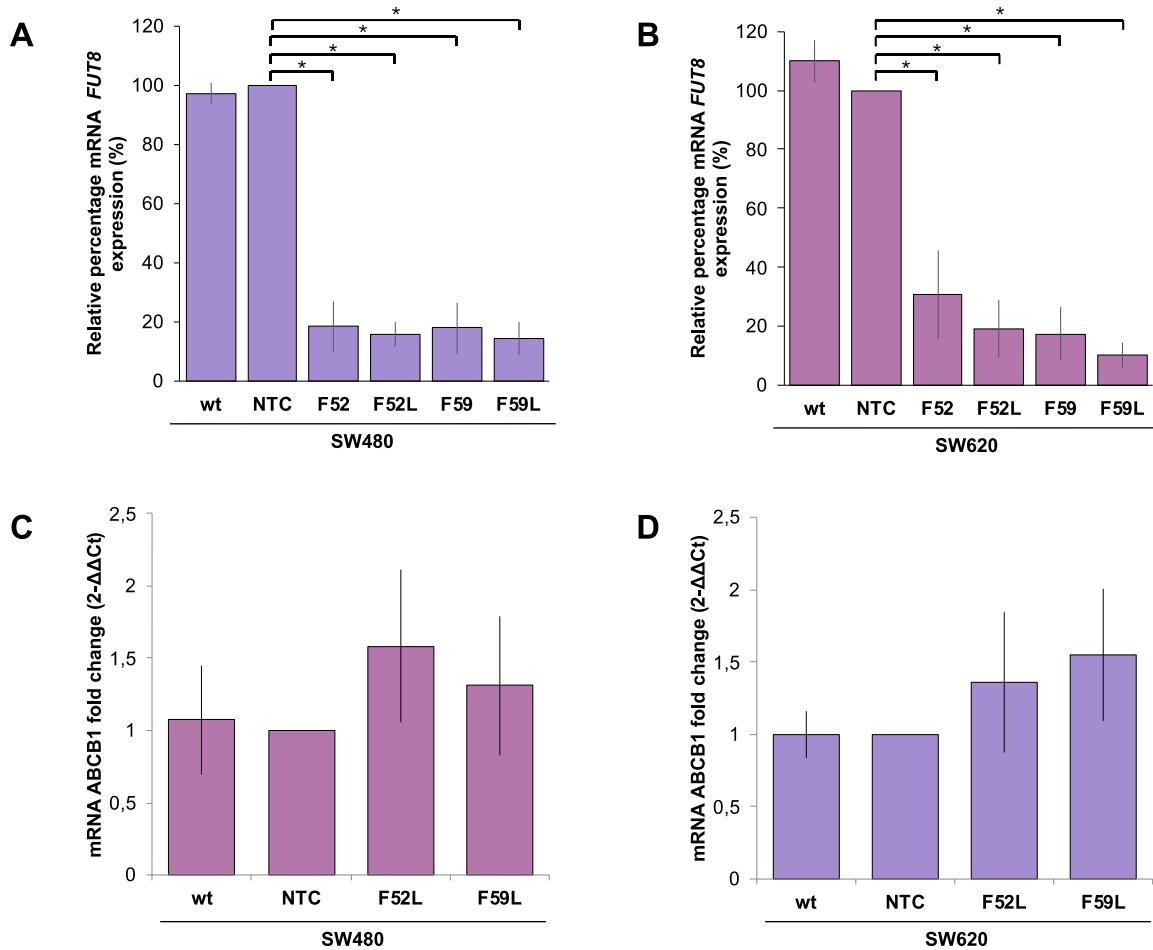


Figure Supplementary 1: Quantification of the mRNA of the *FUT8* gene after selection with LCA (A-B) and of the ATP binding cassette subfamily B member 1 (*ABDCB1*) gene (C-D) in the SW480 and SW620 lines. The mRNA was extracted from growing mid-passage cells and analysed by real-time quantitative PCR (RT-qPCR). *FUT8* and *ABDCB1* mRNAs were quantified relative to that of the housekeeping gene *GAPDH*. Relative expression between cell groups was determined using the $2^{-\Delta\Delta Ct}$ fold-change method. Measurements were obtained from three different experiments, and results were plotted as the mean \pm SD. For statistical calculations, the NTC clone was used as the control cell line. One-way ANOVA test results were significant, and multiple comparisons between the groups were

carried out using Fisher's multiple-comparison test. Results were considered significant at (*) $p < 0.05$. wt: wild-type cells; NTC: non-targeted control cells; F52L and F59L: *FUT8*-knockdown clones selected with *Lens culinaris* agglutinin (LCA).

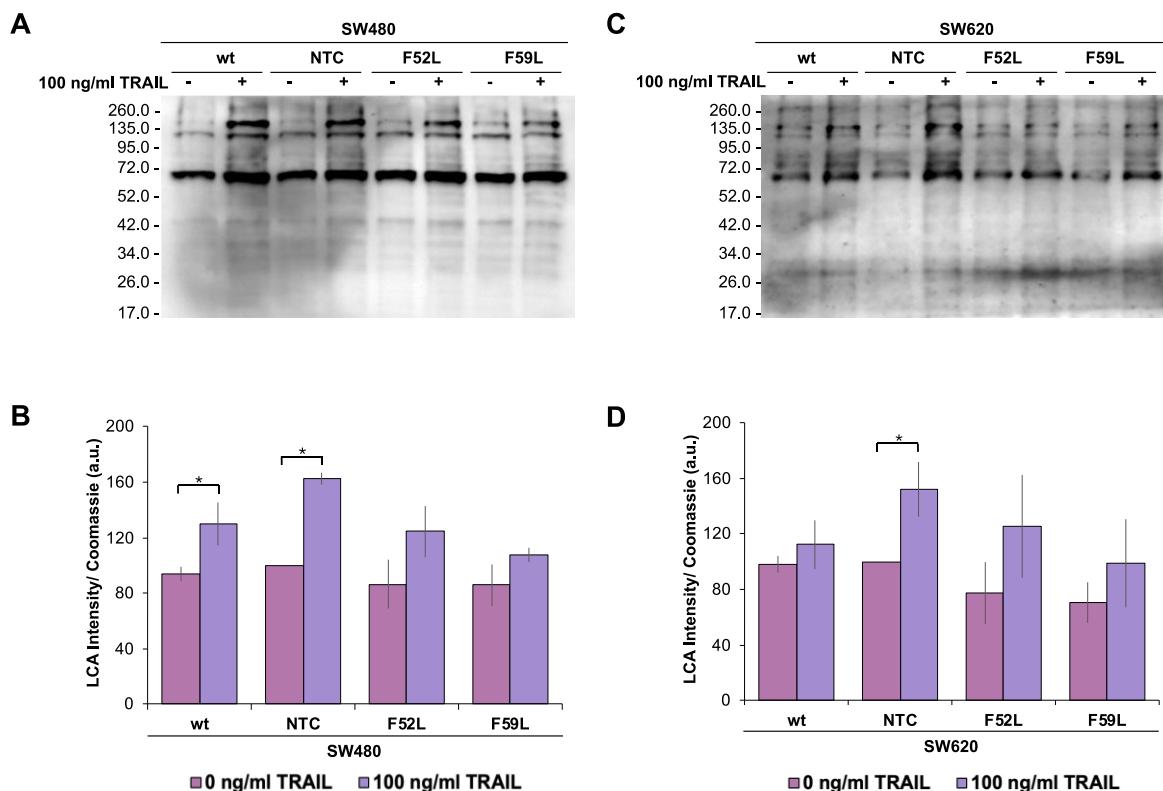


Figure Supplementary 2: Quantification of fucosylated proteins by chemiluminescence using biotinylated *Lens culinaris* agglutinin (LCA) as the detection lectin in SW480 (B) and SW620 (D) cells. The protein loading control was verified after dyeing the PVDF membranes with Coomassie R-250. Measurements were taken from three different experiments. Results are plotted as the mean \pm SD. For statistical calculations, NTC clones were used as reference. The Mann–Whitney U test results were significant at $p < 0.05$ (*). wt: wild-type cells; NTC: non-targeted control cells; F52L and F59L: *FUT8*-knockdown clones selected with *Lens culinaris* agglutinin (LCA).

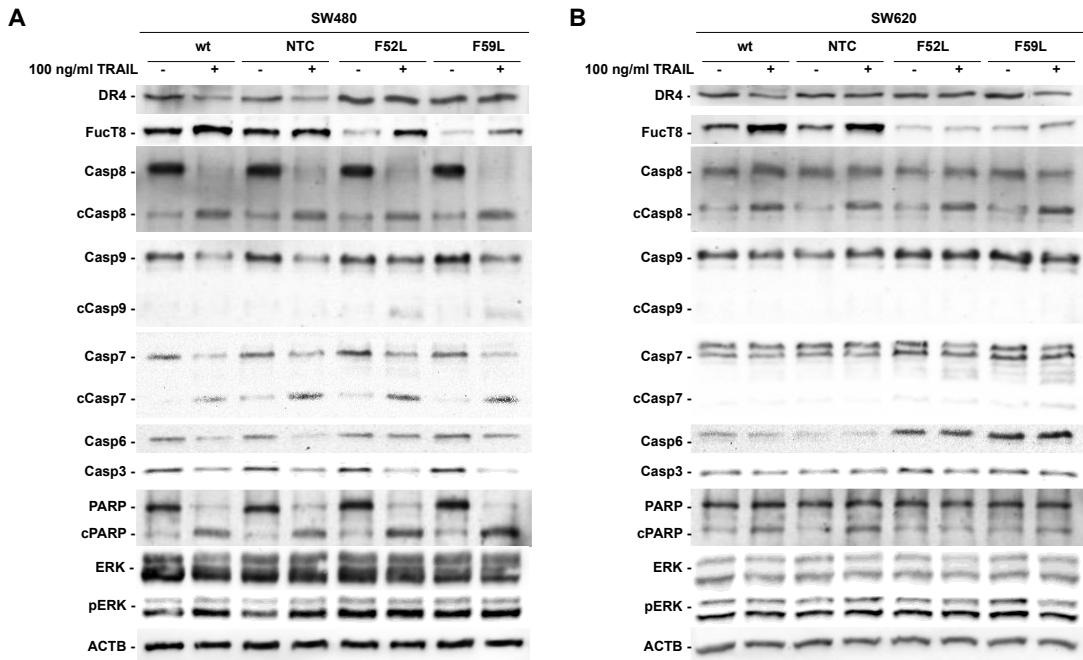


Figure Supplementary 3: Representative immunoblots of DR4, FucT-8, pro-caspase-8 (Casp8), caspase-8 (cCasp8), pro-caspase-9 (Casp9), caspase-9 (cCasp9), pro-caspase-7 (Casp7), caspase-7 (cCasp7), pro-caspase-6 (Casp6), pro-caspase-3 (Casp3), PARP, cleaved PARP (cPARP), total ERK1/2 and phosphorylated ERK1/2 (pERK) in SW480 (A) and SW620 (B) lines. Cells were maintained either in normal medium (-) or in medium supplemented with 100 ng/mL TRAIL for 24 h (+). β -actin expression (ACTB) was used as the protein loading control. wt: wild-type cells; NTC: non-targeted control cells; F52L and F59L: *FUT8*-knockdown clones selected with *Lens culinaris* agglutinin (LCA).