

Figure S1. Expression of IL-13Rα1, IL-4Rα and γC in C-WT, C-N and C-KD clones. (a) Immunoblot analysis of IL-13Rα1 expressed in cell lysates. β-actin was used as loading control. One representative of 3 blots is shown; (b) Relative levels of IL-13Rα1 protein expressed in C-WT, C-N and C-KD clones. Results are shown as IL-13Rα1/β-actin in % (±SD) compared to C-WT and are means of 3 separate experiments (ns $p > 0.05$, * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, *** $p < 0.001$); Quantitative expression of IL-4Rα (c) and γC (d) was obtained by analyzing 3 and 2 times of immunoblotings respectively, while GAPDH was used as internal control.

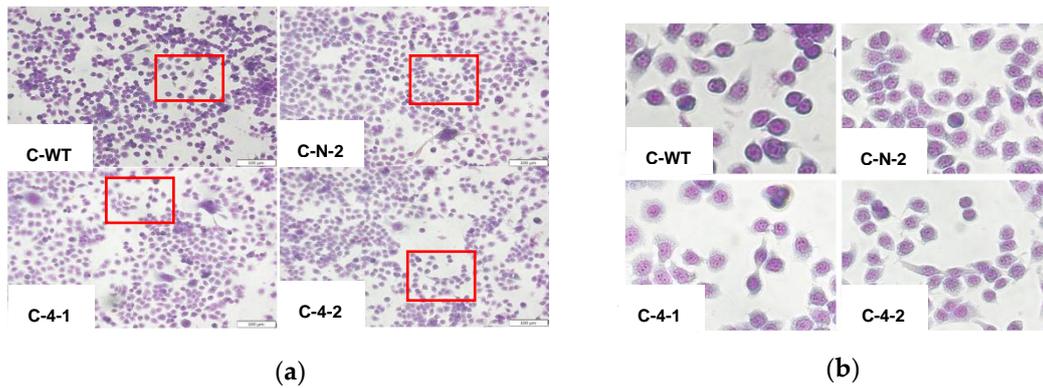


Figure S2. C-WT, C-N and C-KD cells stained by Giemsa staining solution. (a) Giemsa-stained C-WT, C-N-2, C-4-1 and C-4-2 clones. Photos were taken under reverse light microscope at 20x magnification. Scale bar: 100 μm . There is no significant difference in cell morphology among 4 groups; (b) Representative stained cells shown at 20x2x magnification. Pictures shown are amplified areas marked by red box in (a).

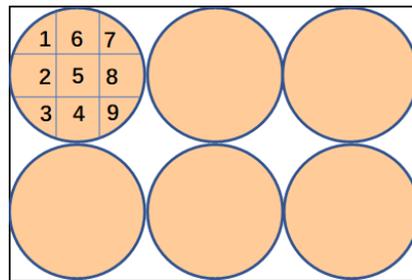


Figure S3. Positions to take photos of the 6-well plate. Photos were taken at the positions shown in a well of the 6-well plate, from 1 to 9, by moving the plate under the microscope.

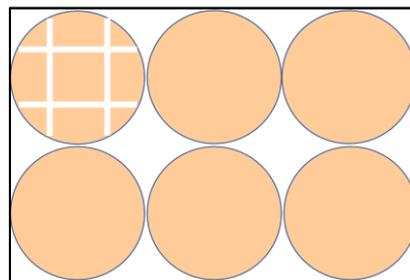


Figure S4. Wounds scratched in the 6-well plate. Primary wounds (white lines) with same gap distance were scratched on the bottom of wells attached by single-layer cells in the 6-well plate using sterile 200 μl yellow tips.

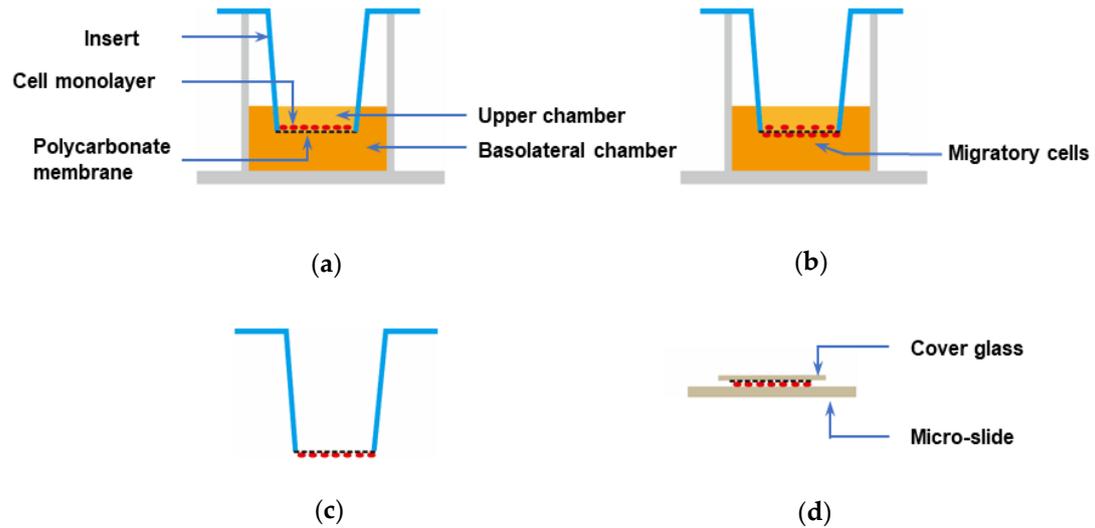


Figure S5. Modified Boyden Chamber assay. (a) 5×10^4 cells were seed into an insert containing 100 μl of medium containing 1% FCS, while 600 μl of medium containing 10% FCS was added into the basolateral chamber; (b) Cells were allowed to migrate from the upper chamber with low serum to the basolateral chamber with high serum within 24 h; (c) Non-migratory cells on the upper side of the membrane were scraped off with wet cotton swabs, while migratory cells on the underside of the membrane were rinsed by dH₂O, fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde and stained with DAPI; (d) Polycarbonate membranes were cut from inserts and placed on microscope slides. 6 photos were taken at random under reverse fluorescence microscope. **Abbreviations:** FCS: fetal calf serum; DAPI: 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole.

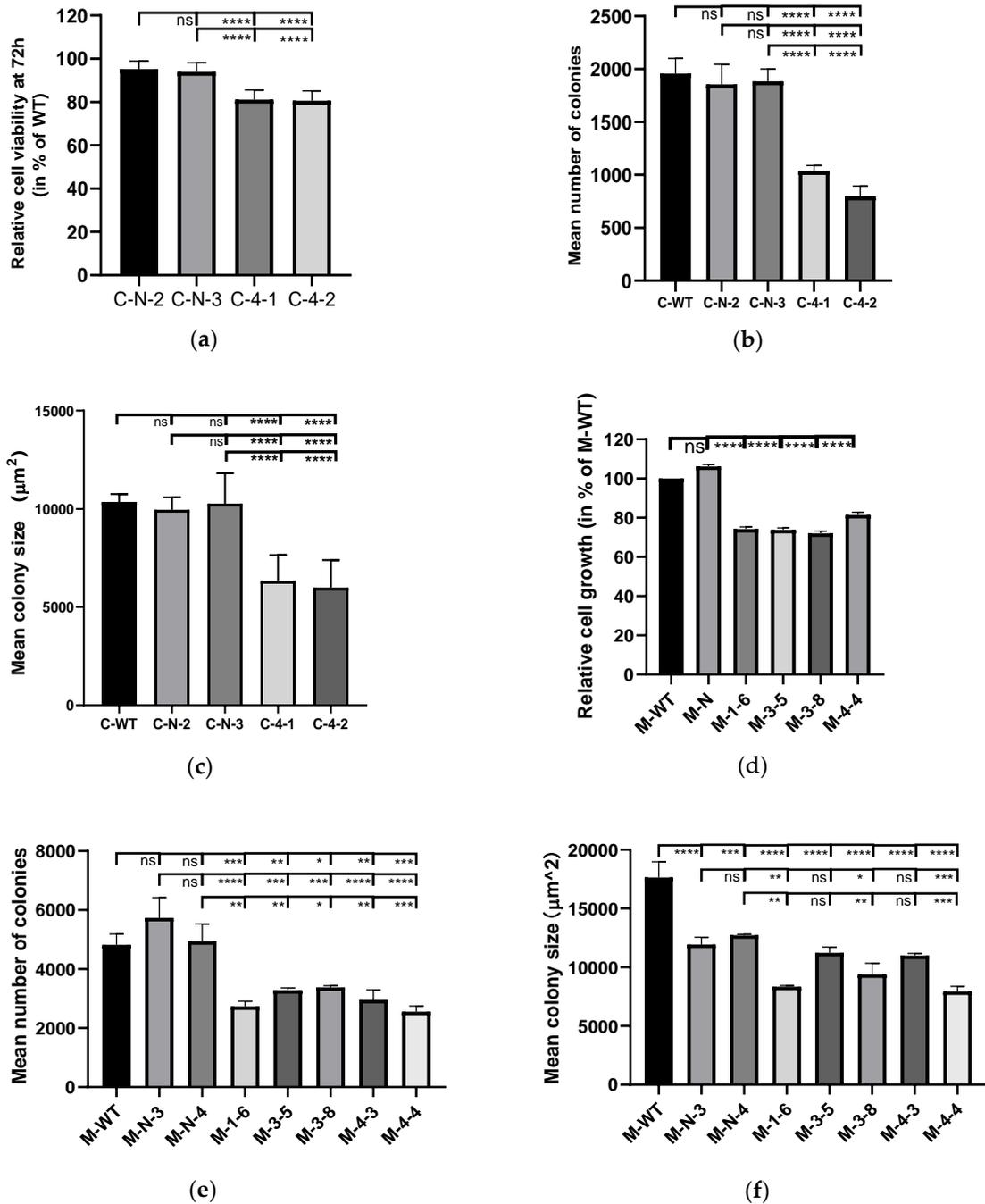


Figure S6. Effect of IL-13R α 1-downregulation on the basal growth of pancreatic cancer cells. (a, d) Anchorage-dependent growth in the MTT assay. Relative cell viability of Capan-1 cells (a) and MIA PaCa-2 cells (d) at 72 h was shown. Data are shown as mean cell viability in % (\pm SEM) compared to WT and are means of 4 and 3 independent experiments of quadruplicate determinations respectively. (b-c, e-f) Anchorage-independent growth in the colony formation assay. (b) Mean number of Capan-1 colonies larger than $50 \mu\text{m}^2$ (\pm SEM) and (c) mean colony size of the largest 10 colonies μm^2 (\pm SEM) in one well (9.4 cm 2) of a 6-well plate. Colony number and size were automatically calculated using ImageJ 1.52a. Data shown are means of 3 independent experiments. (e) Mean number of MIA PaCa-2 colonies (\pm SEM) and (f) mean colony size in μm^2 (\pm SEM) in one well (9.4 cm 2) of 6-well plate. Data shown as means of 3 independent experiments. (ns $p > 0.05$, * $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$, **** $p < 0.0001$).

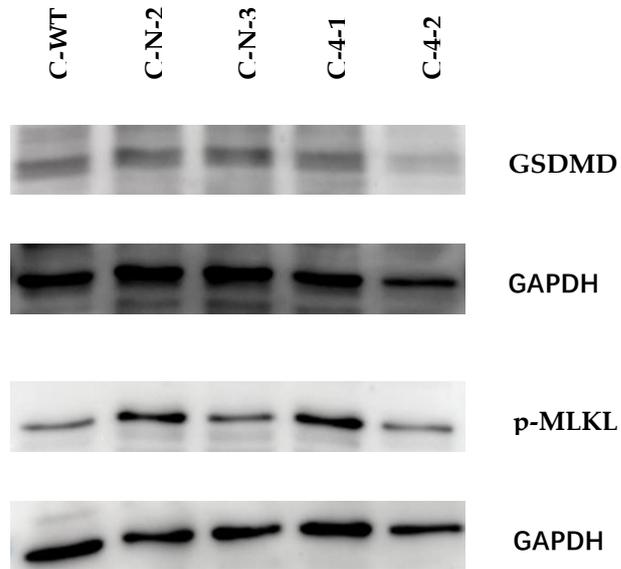


Figure S7. Immunoblot analysis of GSDMD and p-MLKL. Expression of GSDMD and p-MLKL was determined in the cell lysates of Capan-1 wild type, sham-transfected clones and Capan-1-IL-13R α 1-knockdown clones. The increase in GSDMD (Gasdermin D) and p-MLKL (phospho-mixed lineage kinase domain-like protein) indicate the induction of pyroptosis and necroptosis respectively, which was not shown in the present project.

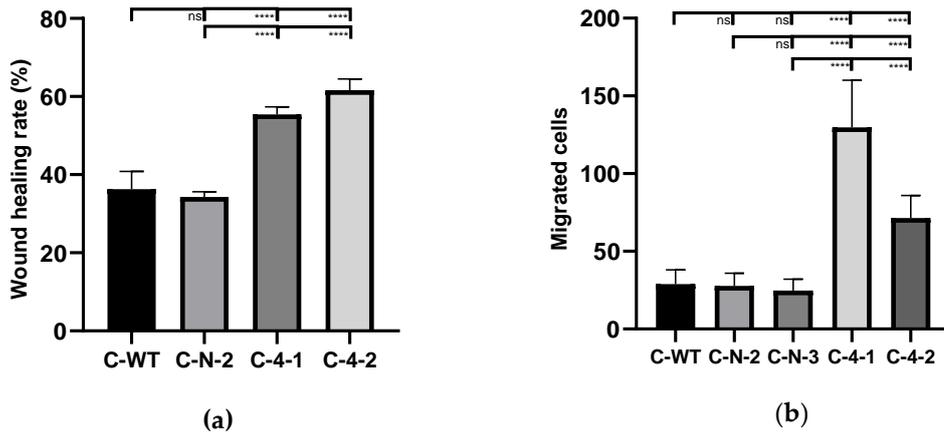


Figure S8. Effect of IL-13R α 1-downregulation on cell mobility and migration of pancreatic cancer cell clones. (a) Cell mobility in the wound healing assay. Wound healing rate represents the cell mobility and data are shown as means \pm SEM of $(A-B)/A \times 100\%$ (A is the wound gap at 0 h and B is the wound gap at 24 h after scratch) and are means of 3 independent experiments of quadruplicate determinations. (b) Directed migration in the modified Boyden-Chamber-Assay. Results are migrated cells per high power field (HPF). Data are shown as mean number of migrated cells within 24 h (\pm SEM) and are means of 6 independent experiments. (ns $p > 0.05$, **** $p < 0.0001$).