

**Table S1.** Sequences of primers for LC3A

<b>PCR</b>	<b>Primer name</b>	<b>Sequence (5'-3')</b>
Real-time RT-PCR	LC3A-F	CCTGGACAAGACCAAGGTTTTTG
	LC3A-R	GTCTTTCTCCTGCTCGTAGATG
	GAPDH-F	GACAGTCAGCCGCATCTTCT
	GAPDH-R	TTAAAAGCAGCCCTGGTGAC
MSP in exon 3	MSP-F	ATCGGTTTTTTAAGTAGCGGC
	MSP-R	ACCTAACGTCACGAACTAACGT
	UMSP-F	AGATTGGTTTTTTAAGTAGTGGTGG
	UMSP-R	AACCTAACATCACAAACTAACATC
BS in promoter region	BS-F	TTGTTATTTTTGATTGTATGGAAGTTAG
	BS-R	CCTAAAACCAATCCTTCCACTATAC
BS in exon 4	BS-F	TTAGTATAGTATGGTGAGTGTGTTTA
	BS-R	CCCCTACTACTAACTCAAAAACC

BS: bisulfite sequencing; MSP: methylation-specific-PCR;  
UMSP: unmethylation-specific-PCR

**Table S2.** Antibodies used for immunohistochemistry (IHC)

<b>Name</b>	<b>Host</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Dilution</b>
Atg5	mouse	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Santa Cruz, CA USA	1:100
Beclin-1	rabbit	Abcam	1:100
LC3A	rabbit	Sigma-Aldrich	1.25
LC3B	rabbit	Novus Biologicals	1:1000
p62	rabbit	Novus Biologicals	1:1000

**Table S3.** Correlation between LC3A methylation and clinicopathological parameters in primary lung tumor

		LC3A		p-value
		unmethylated	methylated	
<b>Type</b>	ADC	11	14	0.275
	SCC	9	22	
<b>Gender</b>	Male	18	28	0.749
	Female	4	9	
<b>Age</b>	< 65	14	24	1.000
	≥ 65	8	13	
<b>pN</b>	0-1	10	17	1.000
	>1	11	18	
<b>pT</b>	0-1	18	30	0.722
	>1	4	5	
<b>Grade</b>	1-2	14	20	0.589
	>2	8	17	

ADC: adenocarcinoma; SCC: squamous cell carcinoma.

**Table S4.** Correlation between p62 and clinicopathological data

		p62		p-value
		low	high	
<b>Type</b>	ADC	16	6	0.329
	SCC	52	35	
<b>Gender</b>	Male	62	40	0.405
	Female	12	4	
<b>pT</b>	0-1	54	37	0.182
	>1	20	7	
<b>pN</b>	0-1	68	35	0.084
	>1	6	9	
<b>Grade</b>	1-2	42	30	0.246
	>2	32	14	

**Table S5.** Correlation between Atg5 and clinicopathological data

		<b>Atg5</b>		<b>p-value</b>
		low	high	
<b>Type</b>	ADC	17	22	0.235
	SCC	38	30	
<b>Gender</b>	Male	49	57	0.873
	Female	12	13	
<b>Age</b>	≤ 65	37	47	0.313
	> 65	23	20	
<b>pT</b>	0-1	16	21	0.633
	≥ 2	45	49	
<b>pN</b>	0-1	16	21	0.633
	>1	45	49	
<b>pM</b>	0-1	53	67	0.112
	>1	8	3	
<b>Grade</b>	1-2	26	41	0.069
	>2	35	29	

ADC, adenocarcinoma; SCC, squamous cell carcinoma.