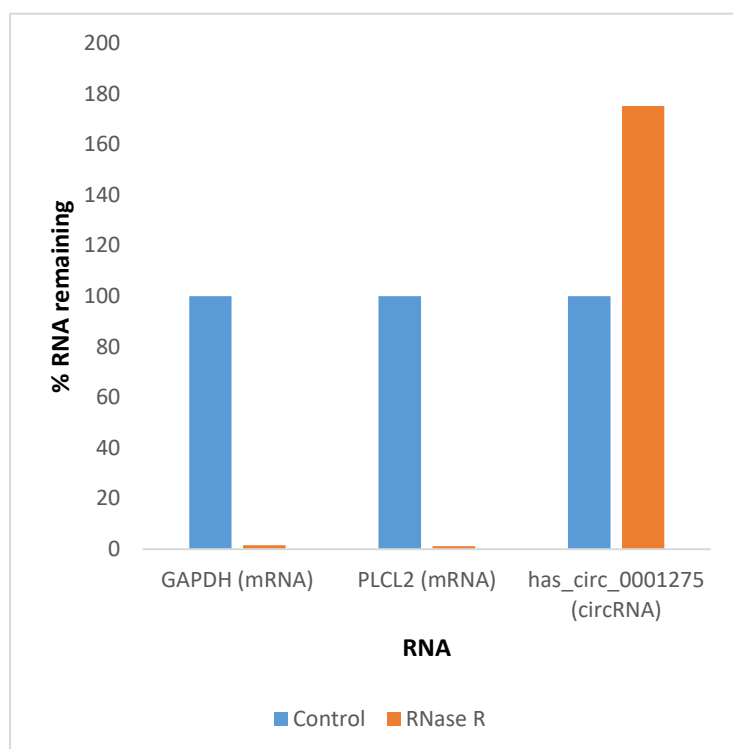


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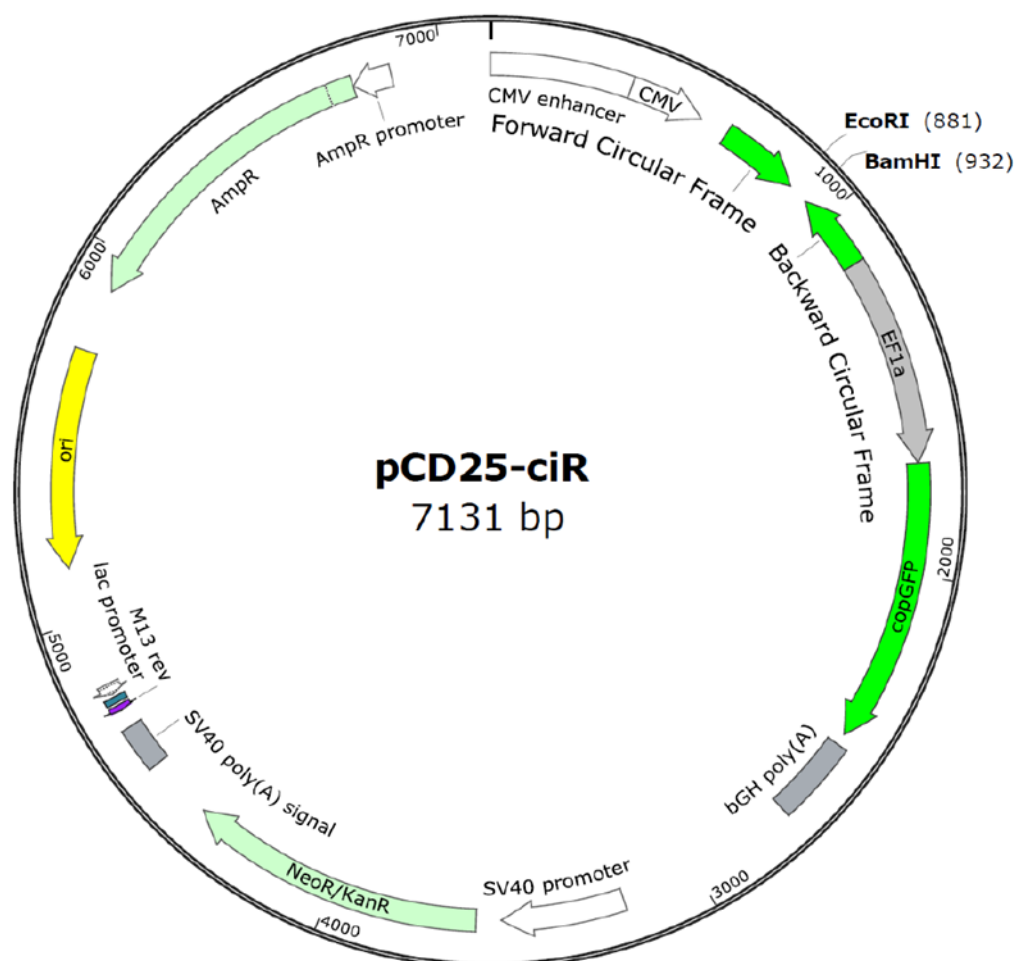


**Figure S1.** hsa\_circ\_0001275 enrichment using RNase R treatment. Total RNA was treated with RNase R, which digests only linear RNA instead of circular RNA. RT-qPCR data showing the resistance of circRNA to RNase R treatment as reflected by the levels of circRNA and linear RNAs in RNase R (orange) treated sample compared with control (blue) treatment. Following RNase R treatment, GAPDH and PLCL2 mRNA were depleted while hsa\_circ\_0001275 was not degraded, thus supporting the notion that RNase R digests linear RNA leading to enrichment of circRNA population. Data graphed as % RNA left after RNase R treatment relative to control using delta CT method.

**Table S1.** Custom designed Primer sequence for GAPDH, circRNAs and its associated parental gene.

CircRNA	Custom Designed Divergent Primers for RT-qPCR	Parental Gene	Custom Designed Convergent Primers
hsa_circ_0001275	F: 5'-CCATCCCAGTCCAGTTCCTA-3' R: 5'-AAGGGCCCTAGCTCAAGAAG-3'	PLCL2	F: 5'-GCACCAAGGAAGGTTTGAAGG-3' R: 5'-TCAGTCCACATGAAACAGCAGC-3'
hsa_circ_0026462	F: 5'-CCCATTTTCCTTGTGTTTGCTG-3' R: 5'-TCCAGAGCCACCTCTGTAGC-3'	KRT1	F: 5'-CCTGGATCTGGAGATTGCCA-3' R: 5'-TGCCACCTCCACTGATGGT-3'
hsa_circ_0033144	F: 5'-GACGAAGATGACCACCTGCT-3' R: 5'-AGGCCACTTGCTCCTCTAT-3'	BCL11B	F: 5'-TGATCACTTCACCTCTGCGT-3' R: 5'-CAAATGTAGCTGGAAGGCTCA-3'
hsa_circ_0000673	F: 5'-TCCAGTATCTGTAAACCTTCTGTCC-3' R: 5'-GGAGCTTGCTTCATAGGATT-3'	RSL1D1	F: 5'-CGAAATCCCACAGCTGGTACC-3' R: 5'-GGGTCTCAGATGCTGGCAAA-3'
hsa_circ_0000129	F: 5'-AGAGGGAAATCCCAGCAGAG-3' R: 5'-GCATGAGGAGTCAATGCAGA-3'	VPS72	F: 5'-TTCTGGGCTTTTGGAGGCAG-3' R: 5'-GGCCTTGCTGACTACTCGGC-3'

hsa_circ_0001721	F: 5'-TCCTCCACTGGCAAAGAGTC-3' R: 5'-CAGGAATTGTGTCCAGGGGTT-3'	CDK14	F: 5'-CTGGCCTCCAAGCTCCTACA-3' R: 5'-CCAGCTTCTGGTTGCAATCTC-3'
		GAPDH	F: 5'-CGACCTGACCTGCCGTCTAGAA-3' R: 5'-GGTGTCTGCTGGTGAAGTCCAGAG-3'



**Figure S2.** circRNA expressing vector pCD25-ciR (Cat no. GS0106). The sequences of the primers are as below:

Primer-F: 5'-CGGAATTCTAATACTTTTCAG + Original primer sequence-3',

Primer-R: 5'-CGGGATCCAGTTGTTCTTAC + Original primer sequence-3'.

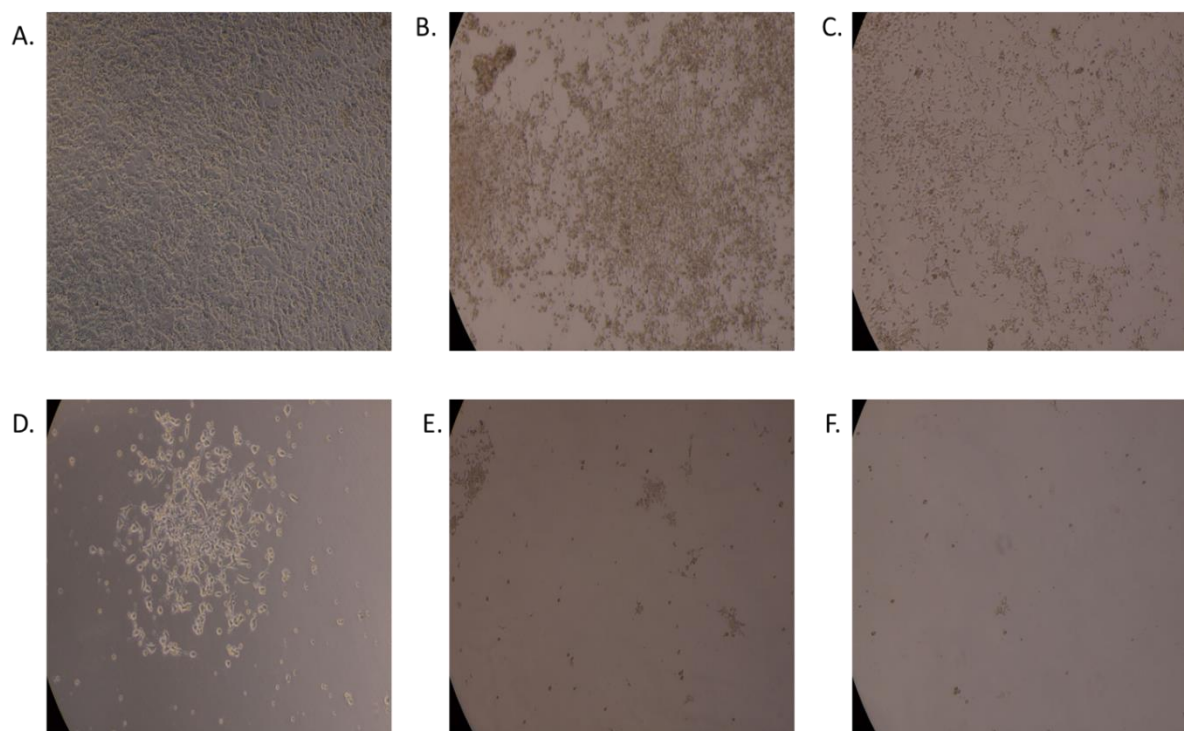
The sequence of the PCR product of linear circRNA is as follow:

GAATTC TAATACTTTTC AG Linear sequence of circRNA GT AAGAACAACCT GGATCC  
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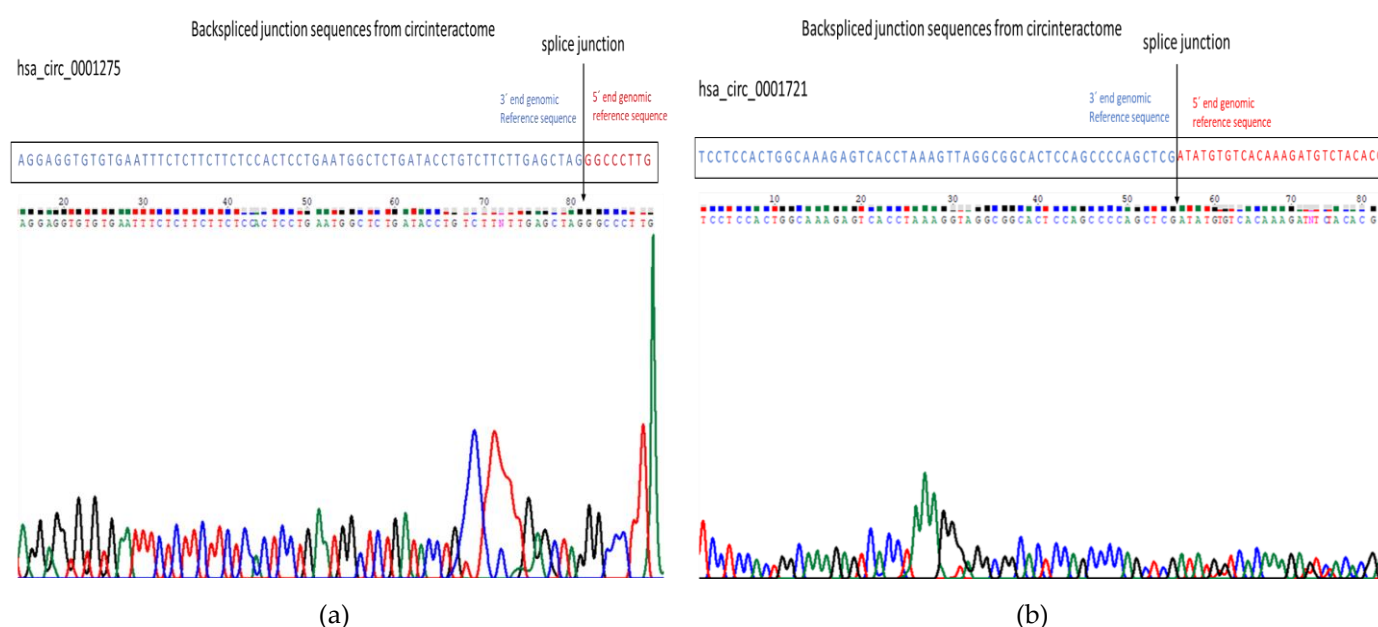
**Table S2.** Custom designed Primer sequence for cloning of circRNAs.

circRNA	Custom designed divergent primers for cloning
hsa_circ_0001275	F: 5'-CGGAATTCTAATACTTTTCAGGGCCCTTGCTCACCATTGGGAGGAAGAAGG-3' R: 5'-CGGGATCCAGTTGTTCTTACCTAGCTCAAGAAGACAGGTATCAGAGCCAT-3'

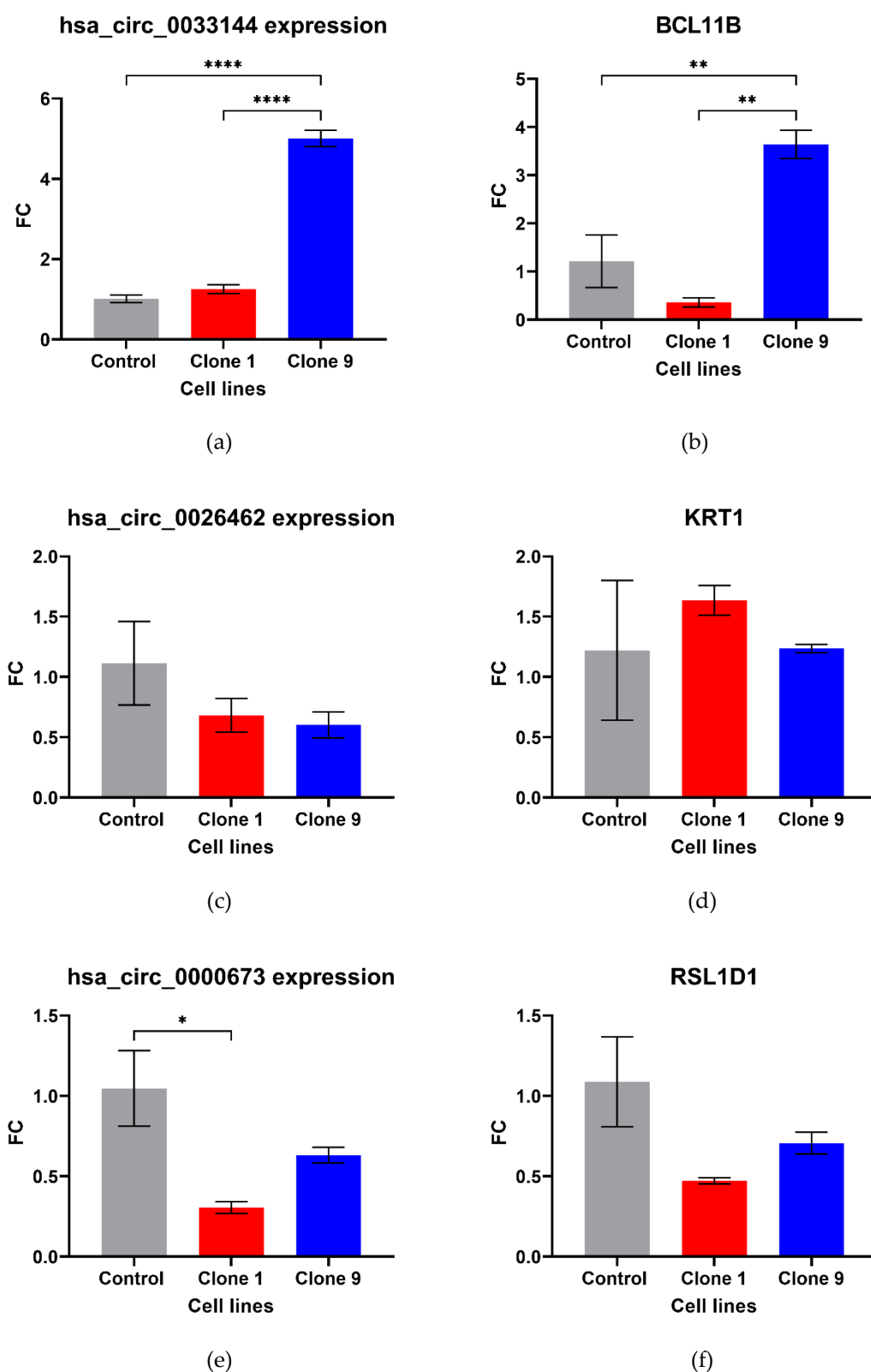
hsa_circ_0001721	F: 5'-CGGAATTCTAATACTTTTCAGATATGTGTCACAAAGATGTCTACACGGAAC-3' R: 5'-CGGGATCCAGTTGTTCTTACCGAGCTGGGGCTGGAGTGCCGCCTAACTTT-3'
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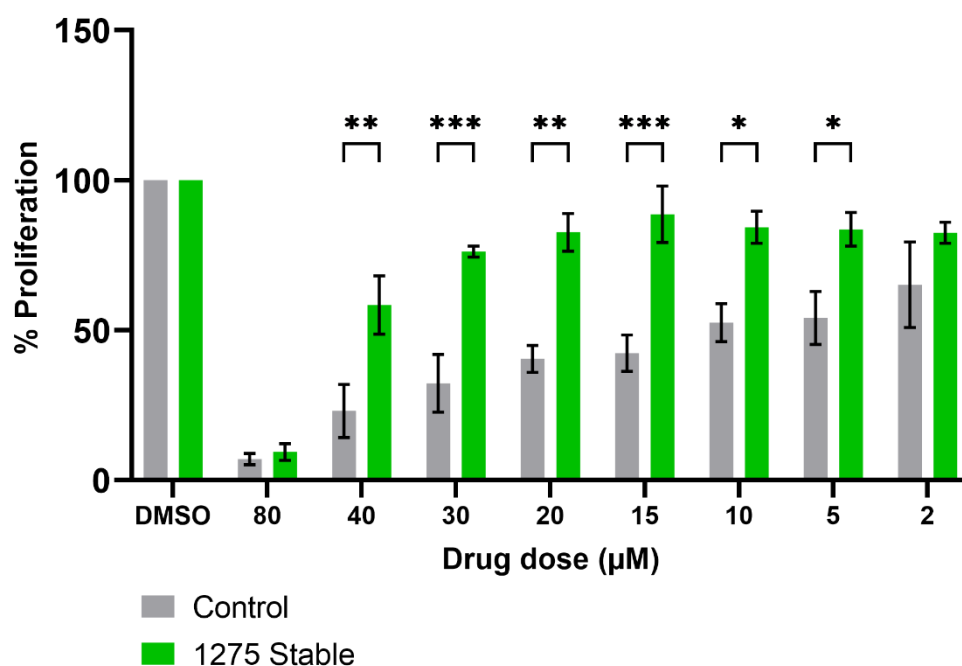
**Figure S3.** Representative images of LNCaP cells treated with a range of G418 concentration at the end of 7 days using bright field microscopy. G418 concentration: A=untreated, B=300 µg/ mL, C=400 µg/ mL, D=500 µg/ mL, E=600 µg/ mL, F=700 µg/ mL. All images are X10 magnification.



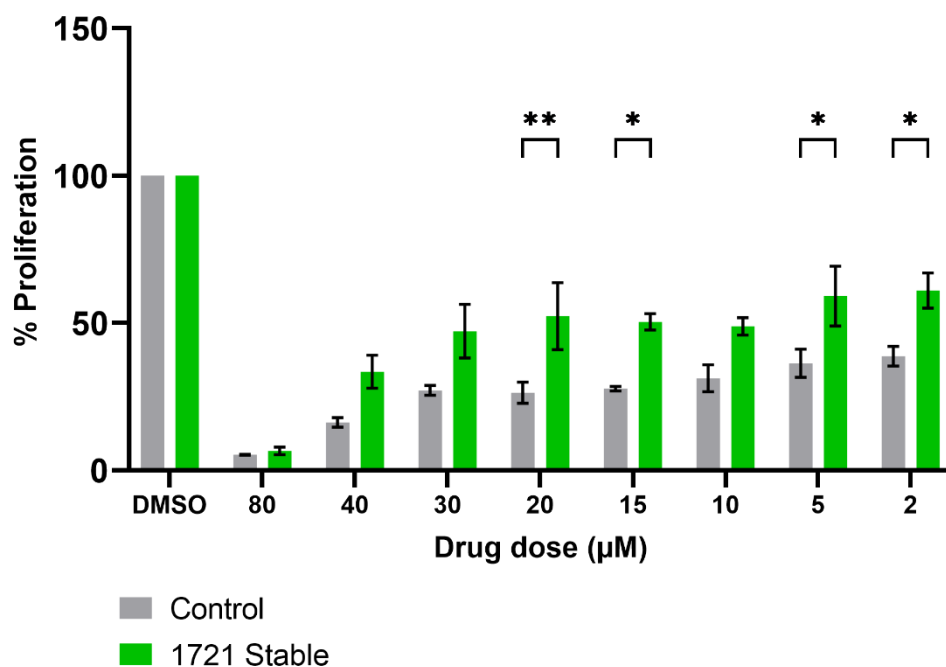
**Figure S4.** Validation of (a) hsa\_circ\_0001275 and (b) hsa\_circ\_0001721 by Sanger sequencing. Both RT-qPCR product sequence aligned to respective backspliced junction sequence obtained from circinteractome database.



**Figure S5.** Validation of circRNAs and associated parental gene in the enzalutamide panel. (a) hsa\_circ\_0033144 and (b) it's parental gene BCL11B, (c) hsa\_circ\_0026462 and (d) it's parental gene KRT1, (e) hsa\_circ\_0000673 and (f) it's parental gene RSL1D1. Data graphed as mean  $\pm$  SEM (n=3). Data analysed using an ordinary one-way ANOVA followed by a Tukey's post-hoc test. (\* $p \leq 0.05$ , \*\* $p \leq 0.01$ , \*\*\*\* $p \leq 0.0001$ ).

**BrdU 1275 Stable vs. Control**

(a)

**BrdU 1721 Stable vs. Control**

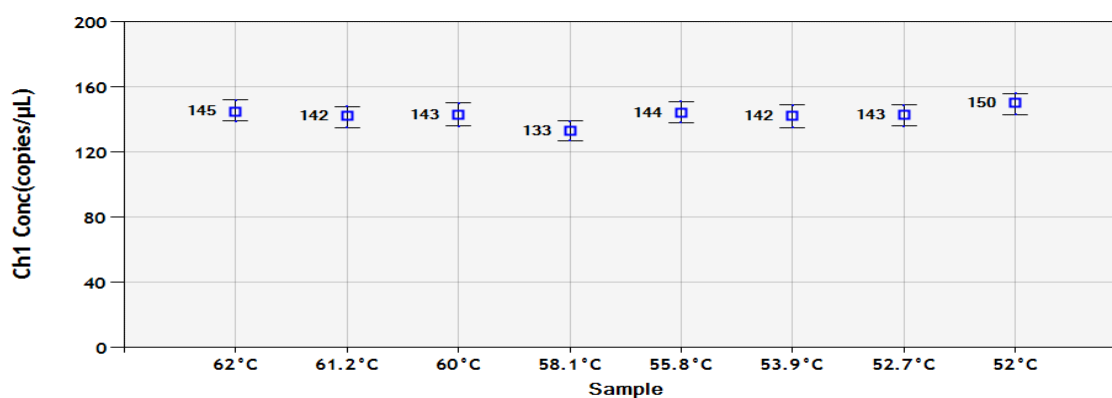
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**Figure S6.** The effect of enzalutamide on the proliferative rate of Control and cell line overexpressing (a) hsa\_circ\_0001275 (1275 Stable) and (b) hsa\_circ\_0001721 (1721 Stable). Proliferation was measured using BrdU ELISA.

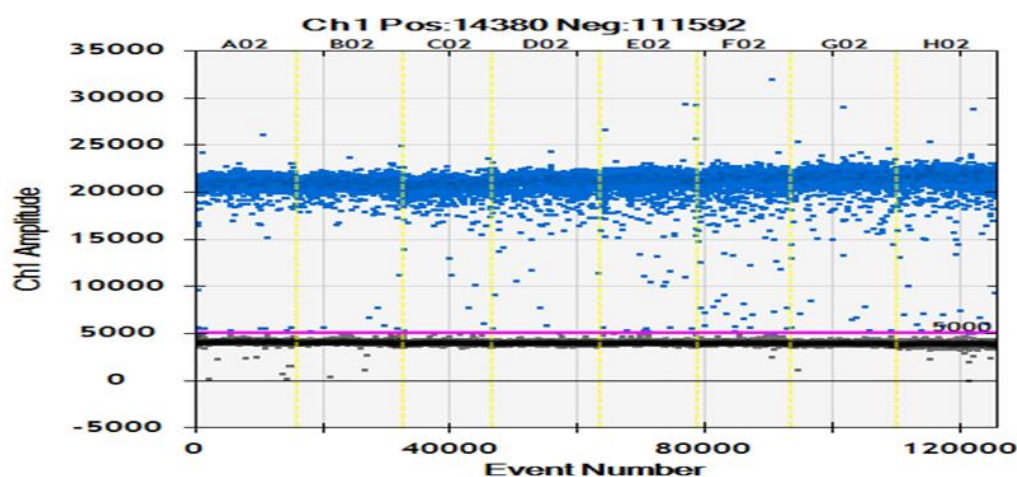
Data graphed as mean  $\pm$  SEM (n=3). Analysis was performed using a Two-way ANOVA followed by a Šídák's post-hoc test. (\* $p \leq 0.05$ , \*\* $p \leq 0.01$ , \*\*\* $p \leq 0.001$ ). Dimethyl Sulfoxide (DMSO).

**Table S3.** Custom design gBlock as positive control for hsa\_circ\_0001275 and hsa\_circ\_000721

circR NA	Custom Designed gBlock
hsa_ circ_ 0001 275 and hsa_ circ_ 0001 721	5'- GAGTCCTCCACTGGCAAAGAGTCACCTAAAGTTAGGCGGCACTCCAGCCCCAGCTCGATATGTGTCACAAAGATGTCTACACG GAACTGCCAGGGAATGGACTCAGTGATCAAACCCCTGGACACAATTCCTGCCAGAGGAGGAGCAGCTTACACTGATGAAGT GTTAGACATCGAGATCAATGAACCTTTAGATGAATTTACAAATCAGTCGGATTTGTCAGATGAAGAGCTAAATGATGATCTTTT GCAGAGTGATAATGAAGATGAAGAAAATTCAGTTCTCAGGGTGTACAACCATCCCAGTCCAGTTCCTACTAAAACTCCCTTA ATCTGCCTAGTCTAAGGAGGTGTGTGAATTTCTTCTTCTCTCCACTCCTGAATGGCTCTGATACCTGTCTTCTTGAGCTAGGGCCC TTACGC-3'



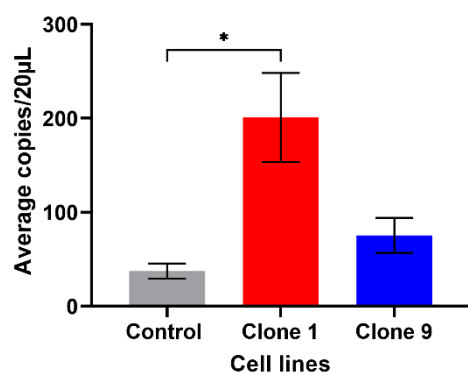
(a)



(b)

**Figure S7.** RT-ddPCR detection of circRNA. (a) RT-ddPCR assay optimisation of hsa\_circ\_0001275 using optimised primers and gBlock as positive control under a range of different temperature (52 °C to 62 °C). (b) Precise detection of hsa\_circ\_0001275 levels by RT-ddPCR with EvaGreen dye using gBlock positive control.

#### hsa\_circ\_0001275 expression



**Figure S8.** Absolute quantification of hsa\_circ\_0001275 in enzalutamide resistant panel. Data graphed as mean  $\pm$  SEM (n=3). Ordinary one-way ANOVA followed by a Tukey's post-hoc test. (\*p  $\leq$  0.05).

**Table S4.** (a) Relative average copies/20µL of transcript in Clone 1 to Control and Clone 9 to Control using RT-ddPCR. (b) Fold change in Clone 1 *vs.* Control and Clone 9 *vs.* Control using RT-qPCR.

(a) RT-ddPCR hsa_circ_0001275		
Cell lines	copies/20µL	ratio
Clone 1 : Control	200.7 : 37.3	5.38 : 1
Clone 9 : Control	75.3 : 37.3	2.02 : 1

(b) RT-qPCR hsa_circ_0001275	
Cell lines	FC
Clone 1 <i>vs.</i> Control	5.01
Clone 9 <i>vs.</i> Control	2.86

**Table S5.** Top 5 target miRNAs predicted for has\_circ\_0001275 using Arraystar's miRNA prediction software based on Targetscan [1] and miRanda [2] with its hypothesized function and associated target gene.

Predicted target miRNAs for has_circ_0001275	Hypothesized miRNA function	Hypothesized associated target gene	Hypothesized gene function	Reference
miR-361-5p	Tumor suppressor-miR. Suppress cell growth and proliferation. Expression lower in CRPC <i>vs.</i> CSPC tissues.	STAT6	Oncogene. Expression higher in prostate cancer <i>vs.</i> normal tissue. Prognostic factor in CRPC. Regulates BCL-XL at transcriptional level in CRPC.	[3]
miR-422a	Tumor suppressor-miR. Expression reduced in prostate cancer <i>vs.</i> normal cell lines. Suppress Warburg effect by targeting PDK2	PDK2	Oncogene. Promotes proliferation and Warburg effect.	[4]
miR-378a-3p	Tumor suppressor-miR. Expression reduced in prostate cancer <i>vs.</i> BPH tissues. Prognostic marker for relapse.	KLK2 and KLK4	Oncogene. Increase tumorigenesis and metastasis.	[5]
miR-506-3p	Tumor suppressor-miR. Suppress cell growth and proliferation and invasion. Induced cell cycle arrest and apoptosis.	ITGB1, ITGB3 and ITGA3	Oncogene. Interacts with multiple extracellular matrix protein and mediate survival signalling in cancer.	[6]
miR-370-3p	Onco-miR. Expression increase in prostate cancer <i>vs.</i> normal cells.	FOXO1	Tumor suppressor. Suppress cell growth and angiogenesis. Pro-apoptosis.	[7]



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