Gene function	Gene name	Cancer type	References
Cell-cycle regulation	RB1	Retinoblastoma	1
	<i>CDKN2A</i> ( <i>INK4A</i> transcript)	Colon, lung, many others	2
	<i>CDKN2A</i> ( <i>ARF</i> transcript)	Colon	
Tumour-cell invasion	CDH1	Breast, gastric, thyroid, leukemia, liver	4
	CDH13	Lung, ovarian, pancreatic	5
	TIMP3	Brain, kidney	6
	VHL	Renal cell	7
DNA repair / detoxification	MLH1	Colon, endometrial, gastric	8
	MGMT	Brain, colon, lung, breast	9
	BRCA1	Breast, ovarian	10
	GSTP1	Prostate, liver, colon, breast, kidney	11
Chromatin remodelling	SMARCA3	Colon, gastric	12
Cell signalling	RASSF1A	Lung, liver, brain	13
	SOCSI	Liver, colon, multiple myeloma	14
Transcription	ESR1	Colon, breast (oestrogen-receptor negative), lung, leukemia	15
Apoptosis	DAPK1	Lymphoma	16

## S2 | A partial list of genes that are silenced by aberrant DNA hypermethylation in cancer.

*CDKN2A*, cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 2A; *CDH1*, cadherin 1 (E-cadherin); *CDH13*, cadherin 13 (H-cadherin); *ESR1*, oestrogen receptor 1 (also known as *ER*); *MLH1*, mutL homolog 1; *RB1*, retinoblastoma 1; *SMARCA3*, SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily a, member 3 (also known as *HLTF*); *TIMP3*, tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 3; *VHL*, von Hippel-Lindau tumor suppressor;

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