## SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



**Supplementary Figure 1. Heatmap of 99 genes in five datasets.** Clustering analysis of the 99 genes in each independent dataset. Each column represents a sample and each row represents the expression level of a gene. The color scale represents the raw Z score ranging from blue (low expression) to red (high expression). Dendrograms by each heatmap correspond to the hierarchical clustering by expression of the 99 mRNA.



Supplementary Figure 2. The Kaplan-Meier curve of ccRCC patients in TCGA grouped based on the median levels of each gene. Abbreviation: HR: hazard ratio.



Supplementary Figure 3. Representative western blots and quantification analysis of PLCL1 in ccRCC cells transfected with Vector or PLCL1-targeted lentivirus. ACTB was used as a loading control. \*P < 0.05; \*\*P < 0.01; \*\*\*P < 0.001, versus the Vector group.



Supplementary Figure 4. ACHN cells transfected with GFP-mRFP-LC3B adenovirus were analysed using immunofluorescence. Autolysosome (red dots) and autophagosome (yellow dots) formation are shown using confocal microscopy and were quantitively analysed. Scale bar, 20 µm.



**Supplementary Figure 5. Transfection efficiency of ccRCC cells.** 786-O and ACHN were transfected with DEPP lentivirus and vector and analyzed by RT-qPCR and western blotting (**A**, **B**).



**Supplementary Figure 6.** (A, B) Interaction between PLCL and LC3B or DEPP and LC3B in 786-O cells. The coimmunoprecipitates were utilized for western blotting with anti-PLCL1, anti-LC3B and anti-MYC antibodies.



Supplementary Figure 7. Co-localization and expression of LC3B (red) and PLCL1 (green) in 786-O and ACHN Vector and PLCL1 overexpressing cells were examined by fluorescence microscopy.