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Data collection No third party software was used during data collection step.

Data analysis All data generated during this study are included in the published article and the Extended Data and are available from GEO database with the accession number GSE148596. The code used for data analysis is available at the GitHub repository https://github.com/AntKuzmenko/CbAgo_DNAi.git

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All HTS libraries and corresponding processed files are available using the following GEO accession number GSE148596. Lists of plasmids, strains and oligonucleotides used in this study are available in Supplementary Tables 1, 2 and 3.

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Sample size	Sample size calculations were not performed. All experiments were performed with sample sizes based on standard protocols in the field.
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Antibodies

Antibodies used	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6x-His Tag antibodies (HIS.H8) (Invitrogen Cat #MA1-21315, lot: TA258903) F(ab')₂-Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, HRP (Invitrogen Cat #A24512, lot: 46-170-060115)
Validation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Validation statement was taken from the manufacturer's website (https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/6x-His-Tag-Antibody-Monoclonal/MA1-21315): 6x-His Tag Antibody (MA1-21315) in WB Western blot analysis of His-tagged protein in E. coli lysates. Membranes containing total cell lysates from uninduced E. coli (-) or induced E. coli (+) treated with 1mM Isopropyl beta-D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) to induce expression of His-tagged IQ domain (IQD) protein were blocked with 5% non-fat milk in PBS-T and probed with a 6X-His Epitope Tag Antibody (Product # MA1-21315) at a dilution of 1:1400 followed by a donkey anti-mouse IgG-HRP secondary antibody. Blots were developed with SuperSignal West Dura (Product # 34076). His-tagged Repressor of Gibberellin (RGA) was used as a positive control. Data courtesy of the Innovators Program. Validation statement was taken from the manufacturer's website (https://www.thermofisher.com/antibody/product/Goat-anti-Mouse-IgG-H-L-Secondary-Antibody-Polyclonal/A24512): Mouse IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody (A24512) in WB Western blot analysis was performed on whole cell extracts (30 µg lysate) of U-87 MG (Lane 1) and K562 (Lane 2). The blots were probed with Anti-SOD2 Mouse Monoclonal Antibody (Product # MA1-106, 2 µg/mL) and detected by chemiluminescence using F(ab')₂-Goat anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Secondary Antibody, HRP conjugate (Product # A24512) at dilutions 1:500 (Fig. 1), 1:10,000 (Fig. 2) and 1:20,000 (Fig. 3). A 22 kDa band corresponding to SOD2 was observed. Known quantity of protein samples were electrophoresed using Novex® NuPAGE®12 % Bis-Tris gel (Product # NP0342BOX), XCell SureLock™ Electrophoresis System (Product # EI0002) and Novex® Sharp Pre-Stained Protein Standard (Product # LC5800). Resolved proteins were then transferred onto a nitrocellulose membrane with iBlot® 2 Dry Blotting System (Product # IB21001). The membrane was probed with the relevant primary and

secondary antibody after blocking with 5 % skimmed milk. Chemiluminescent detection was performed using Pierce™ ECL Western Blotting Substrate (Product # 32106).