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We provide Table S2 (Protein Composition Analysis via Mass Spectrometry), which lists all potential contaminated trace protein candidates from bacteria expressed and purified JMJD6. No known protease candidate is identified from the list. We also provide Table S3 (Total RNA-seq reads of wild-type MEF, JMJD6 knockout MEF, and wild-type JMJD6 overexpressed in JMJD6 KO background MEF), which lists gene names of all RNA identified and sequence reads associated with each gene.