



**Extended Data Figure 6 | Hearing rescue is dependent on the *Tmc1*<sup>Bth</sup> target specificity of the sgRNA, Cas9 nuclease activity, the presence of the *Tmc1*<sup>Bth</sup> mutation, and the presence of the sgRNA.** **a**, In *Tmc1*<sup>Bth/+</sup> ears injected with Cas9-Tmc1-wt3-lipid, which targets the wild-type *Tmc1* allele instead of the mutant *Tmc1*<sup>Bth</sup> allele, ABR thresholds (blue) were comparable to or higher than those of uninjected controls (red) after four weeks. **b**, *Tmc1*<sup>Bth/+</sup> ears injected with Cas9-GFP sgRNA-lipid (blue) did not show improved ABR thresholds four weeks after treatment. **c**, *Tmc1*<sup>Bth/+</sup> ears injected with catalytically inactive dCas9-Tmc1-mut1-lipid did not show improved ABR thresholds four weeks after treatment. **d**, ABR thresholds of wild-type C3H mice injected with Cas9-Tmc1-mut3-lipid showed similar patterns to the uninjected control inner

ears at four weeks, except at 5.66 and 45.24 kHz where ABR thresholds were elevated. **e**, Elevated DPOAE thresholds at three frequencies were observed after the treatment in **d**. **f**, Injection of Cas9-Lipofectamine 2000 (LPF2000) without sgRNA in *Tmc1*<sup>Bth/+</sup> mice did not improve ABR thresholds after four weeks. **g**, Elevated DPOAE thresholds at 11 and 16 kHz were observed after the treatment in **f**. Statistical analysis of ABR and DPOAE thresholds was performed by two-way ANOVA with Bonferroni correction for multiple comparisons: \**P* < 0.05, \*\**P* < 0.01, \*\*\**P* < 0.001, \*\*\*\**P* < 0.0001. Values and error bars reflect mean ± s.e.m. Among the different frequencies assayed, the number of ears tested (*n*) varies within the range shown (Supplementary Table 2).