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ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Publication(s) of the week

- Li, S. S., Ip, C. K. M., Tang, M. Y. H., Tang, M. K. S., Tong, Y., Zhang, J., Hassan, A. A., Mak, A. S. C., Yung, S., Chan, T. M., Ip, P. P., Lee, C. L., Chiu, P. C. N., Lee, L. T. O., Lai, H. C., Zeng, J. Z., Shum, H. C., and Wong, A. S. T. (2019) Sialyl Lewis(X)-P-Selectin Cascade Mediates Tumor-Mesothelial Adhesion in Ascitic Fluid Shear Flow. *Nat Commun* 10, 2406 [IF=13.691]
- Zhao, X., Fang, J., Li, S., Gaur, U., Xing, X., Wang, H., and Zheng, W. (2019) Artemisinin Attenuated Hydrogen Peroxide (H2O2)-Induced Oxidative Injury in SH-SY5Y and Hippocampal Neurons Via the Activation of Ampk Pathway. *Int J Mol Sci* 20 [IF=3.878]
- Li, L., Lok, K. I., Mei, S. L., Cui, X. L., Li, L., Ng, C. H., Ungvari, G. S., Ning, Y. P., An, F. R., and Xiang, Y. T. (2019) Sleep Duration and Self-Rated Health in Chinese University Students. *Sleep Breath* [IF=2.319]

B-CAT Meeting - Dr. Kai MIAO

At the B-CAT meeting on 5 June, Dr. Kai MIAO introduced his latest research work. BRCA1 mutation carriers suffer higher risk of developing triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC), which is a refractory disease due to its non-responsiveness to current clinical targeted therapies. Using the Sleeping Beauty transposon system in BRCA1-deficient mice, Dr. MIAO's team identified 169 putative cancer drivers, among which NOTCH1 serves as an oncogene accelerating tumor formation by promoting epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) and regulating cell cycle progression. The activation of NOTCH1 also suppressed mitotic catastrophe caused by BRCA1 deficiency through restoring S/G2 and G2/M cell cycle checkpoints by activating a non-canonical target ATR-CHK1 signalling pathway. They found that the activation of NOTCH1 markedly enhanced TNBC formation in their mouse model, meanwhile, the analysis of human clinical database revealed a strict correlation between TNBC incidence and elevated expression of NOTCH1, consistent with a view that NOTCH1 serves as a potent driver for TNBC formation. Finally, Dr. MIAO demonstrated that the inhibition of the NOTCH1-ATR-CHK1 cascade could revive mitotic catastrophe and enhance the tumoricidal activity for TNBC with cisplatin. Dr. MIAO believes that this finding provides a potent clinical option for this deadly disease.



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