Supplementary Materials

Chemosensitizing effect of pentoxifylline in sensitive and multidrug-resistant non-small cell lung cancer cells

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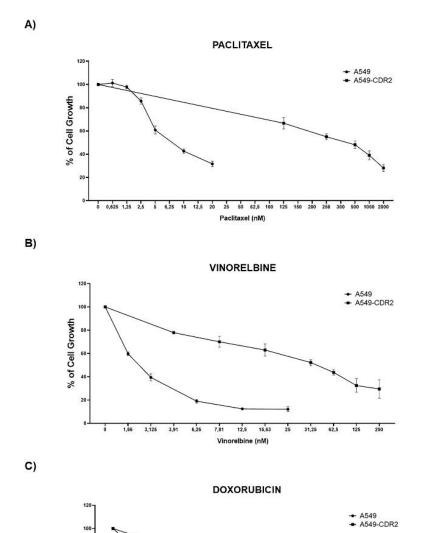
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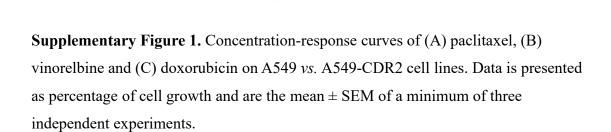
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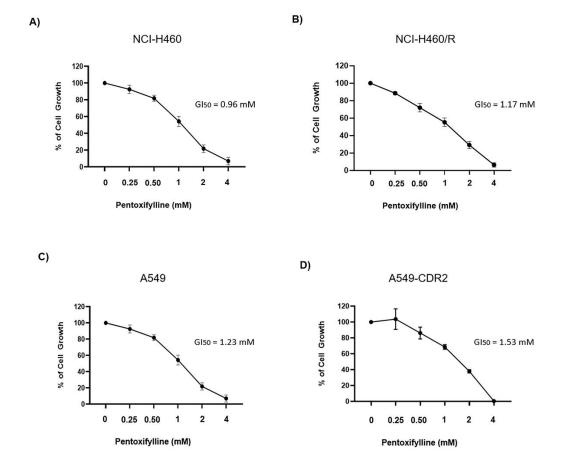
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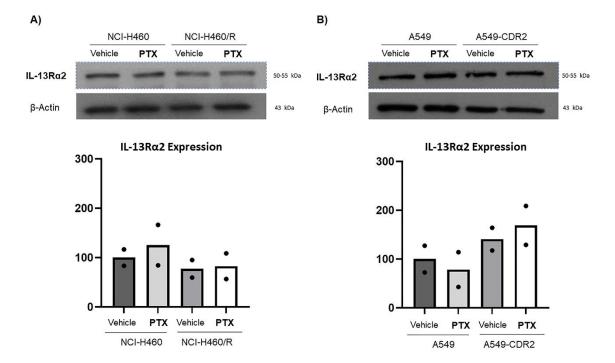
% of Cell Growth



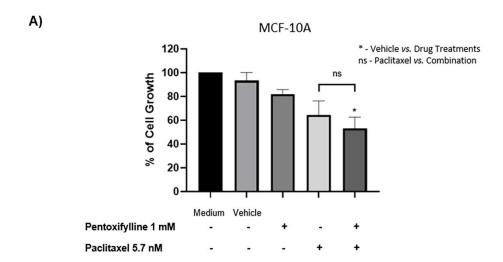
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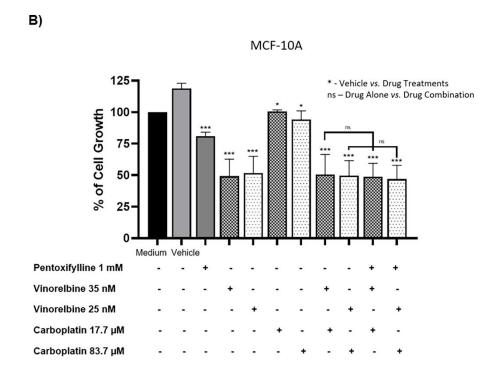


Supplementary Figure 2. Concentration-response curves of pentoxifylline on two NSCLC pairs of sensitive and MDR cell lines: (A) NCI-H460 vs. (B) NCI-H460/R; and (C) A549 vs. (D) A549-CDR2. Data is presented as percentage of cell growth and are the mean \pm SEM of a minimum of three independent experiments.



Supplementary Figure 3. Effect of pentoxifylline on the expression levels of IL-13Rα2, determined by Western Blot, on (A) NCI-H460 vs. NCI-H460/R and (B) A549 vs. A549-CDR2 cell lines, treated with vehicle (H₂O) or pentoxifylline at 1.0 mM after 48 h treatment. β-Actin was used as loading control. Data is from two independent experiments.





Supplementary Figure 4. Effect of the combined treatment consisting of pentoxifylline with (A) Paclitaxel and (B) Vinorelbine and/or Carboplatin, in the non-tumorigenic cell line MCF-10A, assessed by the SRB assay. Data is presented as a percentage of cell growth and are the mean \pm SEM of a minimum of independent experiments. * $P \le 0.05$; ***P < 0.001; ns: P > 0.05.