

Supplementary Figure 1. Inflammatory mediators and mast cells in the traumatic mucositis of the wire-induced mucositis (WiM) model on day 1. (a–d) Interleukin-1β (IL-1β), IL-6 and tumor necrosis factor- α (TNF- α) and bradykinin (BK) levels in the oral mucosa of the sham and WiM on day 1 (each group, n=4) by ELISA. * and ** indicate P<0.05 and 0.01, respectively, compared with the sham; Student's t test. (e) Toluidine blue staining of the oral mucositis of the sham and the traumatic mucositis in the WiM model on day 1. Scale bar, 200 μm. In the sham (n=4), there were abundant toluidine blue-stained mast cells in the healthy oral mucosa (microphotograph on the right side expanded from a box on the left side; Scale bar, 50 μm). However, no or little toluidine blue-stained cells were present in the traumatic mucositis in the WiM model (n=4).