Trans-scirpusin A showed antitumor effects via autophagy activation and apoptosis induction of colorectal cancer cells

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS



Supplementary Figure 1: Number of CD4⁺ T cell in spleen treated with TSA. Mice received s.c. injections of Her2/CT26 cells and were treated with TSA or vehicle. CD4⁺ T cells obtained from the spleens of Her2/CT26 tumor-bearing mice were analyzed by flow cytometry.



Supplementary Figure 2: TSA treatment could attenuate the immune-suppressive microenvironment in tumor tissue. Mice received s.c. injections of Her2/CT26 cells and were treated with TSA or vehicle. The MDSCs and Treg cells in tumor tissue were analyzed by flow cytometry after being gated by CD45 expression. (A) The percentage and number of CD11b⁺Ly6G⁺ and CD11b⁺Ly6C⁺ cells are shown (Two-tailed unpaired *t*-test). (B) For the determination of CD4⁺ Treg cells in the tumor tissue, the Foxp3⁺CD25⁺ gated population among CD4⁺ T cells was analyzed (Two-tailed unpaired *t*-test).



Supplementary Figure 3: TSA-induced apoptotic cell death in tumor tissue. BALB/c mice received *s.c.* injections of 2×10^5 Her2/CT26 tumor cells and TSA was started to be given by intraperitoneally (10 mg/kg) for 3 times per every week as the average tumor volume reached 100 mm³ for 2 weeks. The isolated tumor tissue and stained it using TUNEL assay. Apoptotic cells were examined by confocal microscopy.



Supplementary Figure 4: The Structure of trans-scirpusin A (TSA) and trans-scirpusin B. trans-scirpusin B has one more hydroxyl group in the phenyl ring as compared with the structure of trans-scirpusin A. Hence, this structural difference seems to make difference in bioactivity.



Supplementary Figure 5: TSA-induced autophagy activation and apoptotic cell death. (A) Her2/CT26 cells were treated TSA or both docetaxel (Doc) and TSA. The conversion of LC3-I to LC3-II was assessed using Western blots. (B) Her2/CT26 cells were treated TSA or both chloroquine (CQ) and TSA. Cell viability was evaluated at 24 h after treatment and was determined based on the absorbance at 480 nm. (*p<0.05, **p<0.01, and***p<0.0001, ns; not significant, ANOVA).