Cold atmospheric helium plasma causes synergistic enhancement in cell death with hyperthermia and an additive enhancement with radiation

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Fig. S1. He-CAP and mild HT induced synergistic effects were detected at 24 h. (A) Cell survival assay with cell counting kit-8 was carried out 24 h post-treatment after combined treatment with He-CAP and HT. Cell survival was significantly decreased with combined treatment of He-CAP 120 s and 180 s with mild HT. (B) The apoptotic features were further increased at 24 h as evident by Giemsa staining. (C) Evaluation of apoptosis at 24 h showed increased fraction of secondary apoptosis in the combined treatment. Data are shown as mean \pm SD (n=3), **p<0.01, ***p<0.005, compared to HT treatment alone.



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Fig. S2. He-CAP and mild HT induced synergistic effects in other cancer cell lines. (A) Evaluation of apoptosis in MOLT-4 cells. (B) Representative flow cytometric histogram of Annexin V-FITC/PI staining in MOLT-4 cells. (C) Cell survival was assayed 6 h post-treatment following combined treatment by cell counting kit-8. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD (n=3). **p<0.01, ***p<0.005, than HT alone. (D) Annexin V-FITC/PI assay was carried out at 24 h following combined treatment in HCT-116 cells. Dose dependent increased in the apoptosis was observed. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD (n=3). ***p<0.005, than HT alone (E) DIC live images of HCT-116 cells. Cell proliferation 24 h after combined treatment of He-CAP 180s and HT.



Figure 3. supplementary online

Fig. S3. Effects of combined treatment in human keratinocyte (HaCaT) cell line. (A) Annexin V-FITC/PI assay was carried out at 24 h following combined treatment in HaCaT cells. (B) Representative flow cytometric histogram of Annexin V-FITC/PI staining in HaCaT cells. No significant increased in the apoptosis was observed following combined treatment than He-CAP treatment alone. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD (n=4). *p<0.05, than HT alone, N.S (not-significant).

Figure 4. supplementary online



Fig. S4. Full-lengths blots of Figure 3.E.

Figure 5. supplementary online



Fig. S5. Full-lengths blots of Figure 5.A.



Figure 6. supplementary online

Fig. S6. Full-lengths blots of Figure 5.B.