Ophiobolin A kills human glioblastoma cells by inducing endoplasmic reticulum stress via disruption of thiol proteostasis

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS



Supplementary Figure 1: OP-A-induced vacuolation is not affected by pretreatment with z-VAD-fmk or necrostatin-1. Cells were pretreated with 20 µM z-VAD or 80 µM necrostatin-1 for 30 min and further treated with 2 µM OP-A (1 µM OP-A in A172 cells) for 24 h and observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar, 20 µm.



Supplementary Figure 2: Caspase-mediated apoptosis is not involved in OP-A-induced cell death of glioma cells. (A) Cells were treated with the indicated concentrations of OP-A for 24 h. Cell extracts were prepared from the treated cells and Western blotting of PARP and caspase-3 was performed α -tubulin was used as a loading control in Western blots. (B) Cell extracts were prepared from T98G cells untreated or treated with 20 mg/ml TRAIL (the nontagged 19 kDa protein, amino acids 114-281, KOMA Biotech (Seoul, South Korea)) for 24 h and Western blotting of PARP and caspase-3 was performed. (C) T98G cells pretreated with 20 μ M z-VAD-fmk were further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1. Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control, #P < 0.05 vs. OP-A treatment.



Supplementary Figure 3: shRNA-mediated knockdown of CHOP attenuates OP-A-induced paraptosis-like cell death. For the knockdown experiments using CHOP-targeting shRNA, HEK293TN cells were transfected with the plasmid containing the non-targeting shRNA (SHC002V, Sigma-Aldrich) or the plasmid containing CHOP-targeting shRNA (TRCN0000364328, Sigma-Aldrich), together with pMD2.G (the envelope plasmid) and pPsAX2.0 plasmid (the packaging plasmid) using TransIT-2020 transfection reagents (Mirus Bio LLC, Madison, WI, USA) according to the manufacturer's instructions. After 48 h of lentiviral particle production, medium was harvested and filtered. T98G cells were infected with the filtered lentiviral medium encoding non-targeting (NT) shCHOP or CHOP shRNA, which was supplemented with 10 μ g/ml polybrene. (A) Infected cells were further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for 24 h. Western blotting of CHOP and α -tubulin was performed to confirm CHOP knockdown (*left*). Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1 (*right*). Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control, #P < 0.05 vs. OP-A treatment. (B) Infected cells were further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for the indicated time points and observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar, 20 μ m.



Supplementary Figure 4: ATF4 upregulation may not be critically involved in OP-A-induced paraptosis-like cell death. (A) The siRNA duplexes of ATF4 were purchased from Santa Cruz (sc-35112) and as the control, Negative Universal Control (Invitrogen) was used. T98G cells transfected with the non-targeting siRNA (siNT) or ATF4 siRNA were further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1 (upper panel). Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control. ATF4 knockdown was confirmed by western blotting (*lower panel*). (B) Treated cells were observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar, 20 μ m.



Supplementary Figure 5: PERK may not be critically involved in OP-A-induced paraptosis-like cell death. (A) The siRNA duplexes of PERK were purchased from Santa Cruz (sc-36213) and as the control, Negative Universal Control (Invitrogen) was used. T98G cells transfected with the non-targeting siRNA (siNT) or PERK siRNA were further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1 (*upper panel*). Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control, PERK knockdown was confirmed by western blotting (*lower panel*). (B) Treated cells were observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar, 20 μ m. (C) T98G cells were pretreated with or without GSK2656157 and further treated with 2 μ M OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1. Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control. (D) Treated cells were observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar, 20 μ m.



Supplementary Figure 6: Confirmation of OP-A-NAC and OP-A-GSH adduct by the LC-MS/MS analysis with a MRM mode. Equal volume of 100 μ M OP-A and 50 mM NAC or 50 mM GSH in methanol were mixed and analyzed by LC-MS/MS after 3 h incubation at 40°C. The analytes were eluted with a mobile phase consisting of 0.1% formic acid in water: 0.1% formic acid in methanol at a ratio of 35:65 (v/v) and a flow rate of 0.25 mL/min for OP-A-NAC adducts, or a ratio of 27:73 (v/v) and a flow rate of 0.2 mL/min for OP-A-GSH adducts. Peak identification was carried out using multiple reaction monitoring (MRM) in the positive ionization mode at m/z 401 à 347 for OP-A, m/z 564 à 401 for OP-A-NAC adducts and m/z 708 à 308 for OP-A-GSH adducts. Representative chromatograms of control, OP-A-NAC adduct formation, and OP-A-GSH adduct formation are shown.



Supplementary Figure 7: DTT incubation does not restore intracellular protein-SH levels depleted by OP-A. T98G cells were treated with 2 μ M OP-A or 50 μ M IAM for 12 h, harvested, sonicated and incubated with 10 mM DTT for 30 min at room temperature. The excess of DTT was removed by dialysis, and protein-SH groups were analyzed as described in the Materials and Methods. Data represent the means \pm SD. Kruskal-Wallis test was performed followed by Dunn's test. **P* < 0.001 vs. untreated control.



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OP-A (µM)

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Supplementary Figure 8: OP-A-induced disruption of thiol homeostasis is critical for OP-A-induced cytotoxicity regardless of final cell death mode(s). (A) Cells were treated with the indicated concentrations of OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1. Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.01, **P < 0.001 vs. untreated control. IC₅₀s were calculated using GraphPad Prism. (B, C) Cells were pretreated with z-VAD-fink, necrostatin-1, CHX (B), NAC, or Tiron (C) for 30 min and further treated with OP-A at the indicated concentrations for 24 h. Cell viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1. Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). One-way ANOVA and Bonferroni's *post hoc* test. *P < 0.001 vs. untreated control, P < 0.05 vs. OP-A treatment.



Supplementary Figure 9: Effect of OP-A on the viabilities of astrocytes and Chang liver cells. Astrocytes were obtained from Thermo Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA, USA) and Chang normal liver cells were purchased from Sigma Aldrich. (A) After culturing of the cells in DMEM supplemented with 10% FBS, cells were treated with the indicated concentrations of OP-A for 24 h. Cellular viability was assessed using calcein-AM and EthD-1. Data represent the means \pm SD (n = 7). Bonferroni's tests following One-way ANOVA did not reveal any significant post-hoc effects. IC⁵⁰s were calculated using GraphPad Prism. (B) Cells were observed under the phase-contrast microscope. Bar 20 µm.