

Supporting Information

Particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) from biomass combustion induces an anti-oxidative response and cancer drug resistance in human bronchial epithelial BEAS-2B cells

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Supporting Tables

Table S1. Mineralogical composition of PM_{2.5}[†]

Component	percentage portion^b
Amorphous	30%
Sylvite (KCl)	5%
Syngenite (K ₂ Ca(SO ₄) ₂ · H ₂ O)	1%
Arcanite (K ₂ SO ₄)	47%
Thenardite (Na ₂ SO ₄)	2%
Merwinite (Ca ₃ Mg(SiO ₄) ₂)	2%
Larnite (Ca ₂ SO ₄)	5%
Periclase (MgO)	2%
Dolomite (CaMg(CO ₃) ₂)	1%
Portlandite (Ca(OH) ₂)	2%
Lime (CaO)	1%
Aragonite (CaCO ₃)	2%

[†] data depicted from Dornhof et al. [1]; values given in wt%

Table S2. Concentrations of PAHs ($\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$) in $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ from biomass combustion [†]

PAH	$\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$	PAH	$\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$
Acenaphthene	3.64	Naphtho[1,2- <i>b</i>]fluoranthene and Naphtho[2,3- <i>a</i>]pyrene	0.93
Anthracene	7.38	Fluorene	4.67
Benzo[<i>a</i>]anthracene	6.70	1-Methylfluorene	1.24
9-Methylanthracene	0.23	7H-Benzo[<i>c</i>]fluorene	1.73
9,10-Dimethylanthracene	<0.50	Naphthalene	22.57
6-Methylbenzo[<i>a</i>]anthracene	0.84	2-Methylnaphthalene	11.44
5-Methylbenzo[<i>a</i>]anthracene	<0.50	2,6-Dimethylnaphthalene	10.63
7,12-Dimethylbenzo[<i>a</i>]anthracene	2.27	1,8-Dimethylnaphthalene	0.17
Dibenzo[<i>a,j</i>]anthracene	<0.25	Phenanthrene	36.01
Dibenzo[<i>a,c</i>]anthracene	<0.25	9-Methylphenanthrene	11.52
Dibenzo[<i>a,h</i>]anthracene	<0.25	1-Methylphenanthrene	7.30
Anthanthrene	<2.50	Benzo[<i>c</i>]phenanthrene	1.93
3-Methylcholanthrene	<1.25	Pyrene	41.98
Chrysene	15.27	1-Methylpyrene	14.22
2-Methylchrysene	1.31	Benzo[<i>e</i>]pyrene	12.27
6-Methylchrysene	0.12	Benzo[<i>a</i>]pyrene	5.29
5-Methylchrysene	0.28	6-Methylbenzo[<i>a</i>]pyrene	<1.25
4-Methylchrysene	<0.50	Indeno[1,2,3- <i>cd</i>]pyrene	3.86
Coronene	2.10	Naphtho[2,3- <i>e</i>]pyrene	<0.38
Fluoranthene	50.67	Dibenzo[<i>a,l</i>]pyrene	0.49
Benzo[<i>b</i>]fluoranthene	12.23	Dibenzo[<i>a,e</i>]pyrene	1.72
Benzo[<i>k</i>]fluoranthene	2.74	Dibenzo[<i>a,i</i>]pyrene	0.38
Benzo[<i>ghi</i>]fluoranthene	10.15	Dibenzo[<i>a,h</i>]pyrene	<0.50
Naphtho[1,2- <i>k</i>]fluoranthene	<0.38	Perylene	0.73
Naphtho[2,3- <i>b</i>]fluoranthene	0.59	Benzo[<i>ghi</i>]perylene	2.42
Dibenzo[<i>a,e</i>]fluoranthene	<0.38	Retene	33.43
Naphtho[2,3- <i>k</i>]fluoranthene	<0.38	Triphenylene	6.41

[†] data depicted from Popadic et al. [2]

Table S3. Expression of cytokine, chemokine, adhesion molecule, and matrix metalloproteinase genes upon long-term exposure to PM_{2.5}[†]

<i>gene symbol</i>	<i>encoded protein</i>	<i>adjusted p-value</i>	<i>log2FC</i>	<i>FC</i>
<i>CCL2</i>	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 2, monocyte chemotactic protein 1 (MCP1)	0.0043	-1.68	0.31
<i>CCL5</i>	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 5, RANTES	n.s.	0.01	1.01
<i>CCL8</i>	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 8, monocyte chemotactic protein 2 (MCP2)	n.s.	-0.06	0.96
<i>CXCL1</i>	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 1	n.s.	0.02	1.01
<i>CXCL10</i>	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 10	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>ICAM1</i>	intracellular adhesion molecule 1	n.s.	-0.02	0.98
<i>IL12A</i>	interleukin 12 subunit alpha	n.s.	0.10	1.07
<i>IL12B</i>	interleukin 12 subunit beta	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>MMP1</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 1	n.s.	0.20	1.14
<i>MMP9</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 9	n.s.	-0.02	0.98
<i>MMP12</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 12	0.0009	-2.69	0.16
<i>MMP13</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 13	0.0065	-1.15	0.45
<i>TNF</i>	tumor necrosis factor, TNFalpha	n.s.	-0.05	0.97
<i>VCAM1</i>	vascular cellular adhesion molecule 1	n.s.	-0.04	0.97

[†] according to Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 gene expression arrays; n.s., not significant.

Table S4. Expression of genes, relevant for apoptosis after long-term exposure to PM_{2.5}[†]

<i>gene symbol</i>	<i>encoded protein</i>	<i>adjusted value</i>	<i>p- log2FC</i>	<i>FC</i>
<i>ATG5</i> [‡]	autophagy related 5	n.s.	0.02	1.01
<i>BAD, BCL2L8</i> [§]	Bad, BCL2 associated agonist of cell death	n.s.	0.03	1.02
<i>BAK1, BCL2L7</i> [§]	Bak, BCL2 antagonist/killer 1	n.s.	0.04	1.03
<i>BAX, BCL2L4</i> [§]	Bax, Bcl-2-associated X protein	n.s.	0.04	1.01
<i>BCL2</i> ^{¶,£}	Bcl-2, B-cell lymphoma 2	n.s.	0.01	0.99
<i>BCL2L1</i> ^{¶,£}	Bcl-xL, BCL2 like 1	n.s.	0.07	1.05
<i>BECN1</i> [‡]	beclin-1, Zinc finger protein basonuclin-1	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>BID</i> [§]	Bid, BH3 interacting-domain death agonist	n.s.	0.03	1.01
<i>BIM, BCL2L11</i> [§]	Bim, Bcl-2-like protein 11	n.s.	0.01	1.01
<i>BIRC5</i> [¶]	Surviving	n.s.	-0.03	0.98
<i>CFLAR</i> ^{¶,£}	c-Flip, caspase 8 and FADD-like apoptosis regulator	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>HMGB1</i> [‡]	high mobility group protein B1	n.s.	0.01	1.01
<i>MCL1</i> ^{¶,£}	induced myeloid leukemia cell differentiation protein Mcl1	n.s.	0.03	1.02
<i>XIAP</i> ^{¶,£}	XIAP, X-linked inhibitor of apoptosis protein	n.s.	0.03	1.03

[†] according to Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 gene expression arrays; [‡] involved in autophagy, which inhibits apoptosis; [§] promotes apoptosis; [¶] inhibits apoptosis; [£] transcriptional regulation by Akt/NF- κ B; n.s., not significant.

Table S5. Expression of ABC transporter genes, relevant for multidrug resistance after long-term exposure to PM_{2.5}[†]

<i>gene symbol</i>	<i>encoded protein</i>	<i>adjusted p-value</i>	<i>log2FC</i>	<i>FC</i>
<i>ABCA2</i>	ATP-binding cassette sub-family A member 2	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>ABCB1</i>	P-glycoprotein, P-gp, multi drug resistance protein (MDR)1	0.005	-1.22	0.43
<i>ABCB4</i>	MDR3	n.s.	-0.03	0.98
<i>ABCB11</i>	BSEP (bile salt export pump), sPgp (sister of P-glycoprotein)	n.s.	-0.03	0.98
<i>ABCC1</i>	Multi resistance-associated protein (MRP)1	n.s.	0.03	1.02
<i>ABCC2</i>	Multi resistance-associated protein (MRP)2	0.045	0.50	1.41
<i>ABCC3</i>	Canalicular multispecific organic anion transporter 2, MRP3	n.s.	0.03	1.02
<i>ABCC4</i>	MRP4	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>ABCC5</i>	MRP5	n.s.	-0.03	0.98
<i>ABCC6</i>	MRP6	n.s.	-0.01	1.00
<i>ABCC10</i>	MRP7	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>ABCC11</i>	Multidrug resistance-related protein 8 (MRP8)	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>ABCG2</i>	ATP-binding cassette super-family G member 2	n.s.	0.02	1.01

[†] according to Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 gene expression arrays; n.s., not significant.

Table S6. Expression of antioxidant redox-sensitive genes upon long-term exposure to PM_{2.5}[†]

<i>gene symbol</i>	<i>encoded protein</i>	<i>adjusted value</i>	<i>p- log2FC</i>	<i>FC</i>
<i>CAT</i> [§]	Catalase	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>GPX1</i> ^{‡,§}	glutathione peroxidase 1	n.s.	0.01	1.00
<i>GPX2</i> [§]	glutathione peroxidase 2	n.s.	-0.01	1.00
<i>GPX3</i> [§]	glutathione peroxidase 3	n.s.	0.02	1.01
<i>GSR</i>	glutathione reductase	n.s.	0.01	1.00
<i>GSS</i>	glutathione synthetase	n.s.	0.03	1.02
<i>PPARGC1A</i>	peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma coactivator 1-alpha	n.s.	-0.07	0.96
<i>PRDX1</i> ^{‡,§}	peroxiredoxin 1	n.s.	0.01	1.00
<i>PRDX2</i> ^{‡,§}	peroxiredoxin 2	n.s.	-0.04	0.99
<i>PRDX3</i> ^{‡,§}	peroxiredoxin 3	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>PRDX4</i> [§]	peroxiredoxin 4	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>PRDX5</i> ^{‡,§}	peroxiredoxin 5	n.s.	0.01	1.00
<i>PRDX6</i> [§]	peroxiredoxin 6	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>TXN</i> [‡]	thioredoxin 1	n.s.	0.04	1.03
<i>TXN2</i>	thioredoxin 2	n.s.	-0.01	1.00
<i>TXNRD1</i>	thioredoxin reductase 1	n.s.	0.04	1.03
<i>TXNRD2</i>	thioredoxin reductase 2	n.s.	-0.01	0.99
<i>SOD1</i> [§]	superoxide dismutase 1	n.s.	0.02	1.02
<i>SOD2</i> ^{‡,§}	superoxide dismutase 2	n.s.	0.00	1.00
<i>SOD3</i> [§]	superoxide dismutase 3	n.s.	0.00	1.00

[†] according to Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 gene expression arrays; [‡] involved in doxorubicin resistance; [§] involved in H₂O₂ generation/detoxification; n.s., not significant.

Supporting Figures

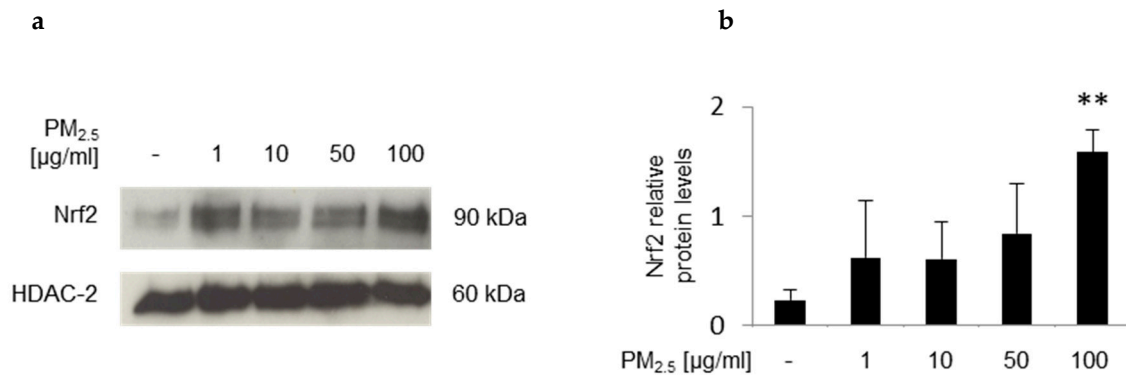


Figure S1. Long-term exposure to PM_{2.5} induces nuclear translocation of Nrf2. BEAS-2B cells were exposed to 1 - 100 µg/ml PM_{2.5} for 12 h. (a), translocated Nrf2 was detected in nuclear extracts by immunoblotting and normalized to histone deacetylase (HDAC)-2. Cells, cultured in the absence of PM_{2.5} served as controls (first lane). A representative blot of two different experiments is shown. (b), quantification of immunoblots relative to control. Statistical analysis was performed by using the R statistical software [3] and determined by analysis of variance (ANOVA), followed by Dunnett's post-hoc test. Values are depicted as means and +standard deviations; **, p<0.01.

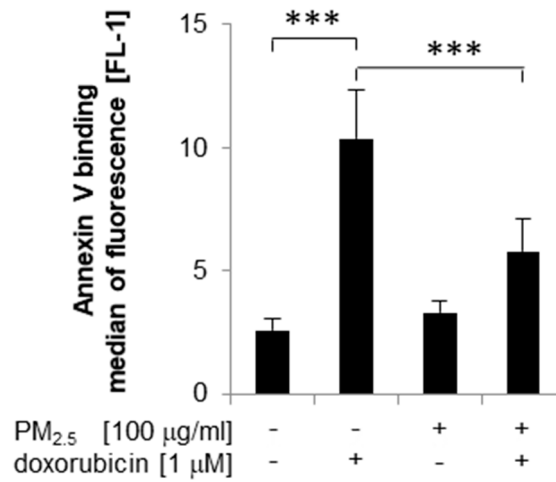


Figure S2. Cell death resistance to doxorubicin is mediated by PM_{2.5}. BEAS-2B cells were cultured in the presence of 100 µg/ml PM_{2.5} for 3 to 5 weeks, before final passage and re-exposure of cells to 100 µg/ml PM_{2.5} for 48 h. Doxorubicin (1 µM) was added 24 h after the last addition of PM_{2.5}. Equally cultured cells that were never exposed to PM_{2.5} served as controls. Detection of apoptosis by Annexin V staining and flow cytometry (n = 4). Statistical analysis was performed by using the R statistical software [3] and determined by analysis of variance (ANOVA), followed by the Tukey's post-hoc test. Values are depicted as means and +standard deviations; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001.

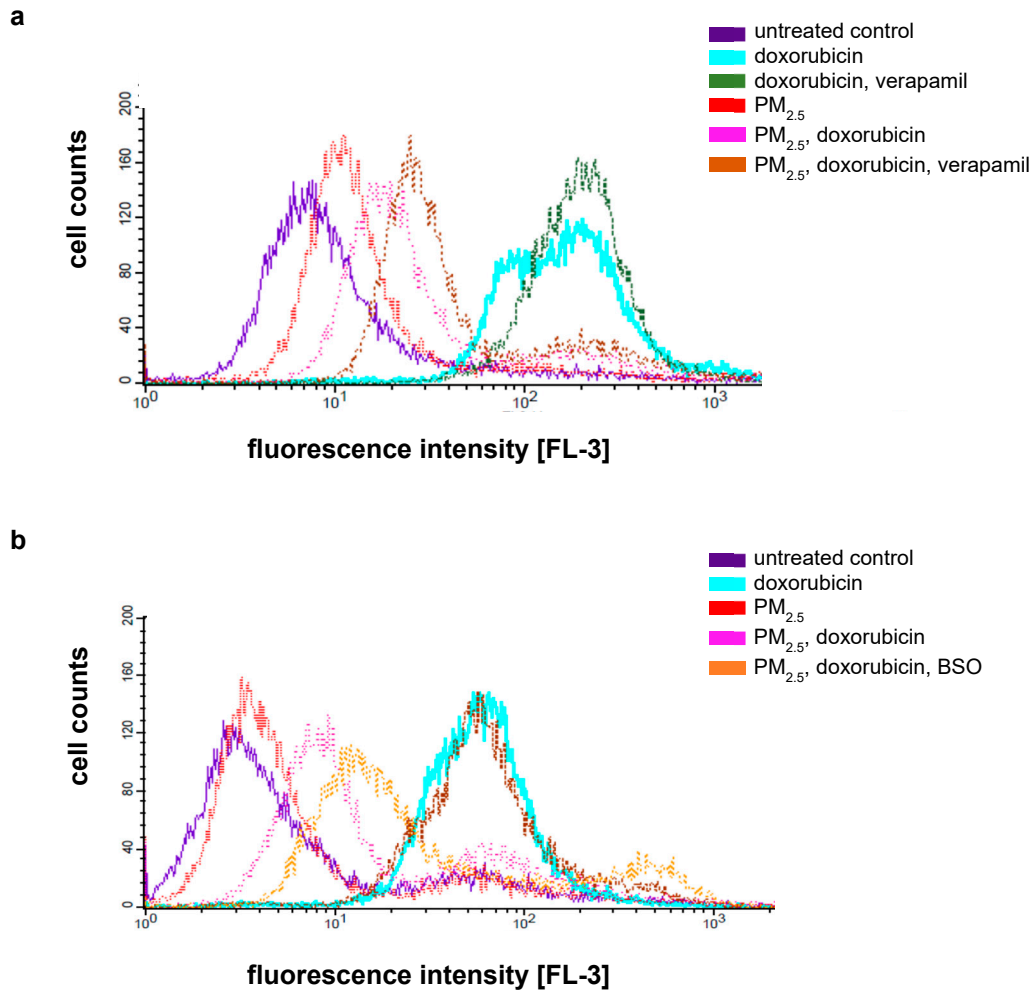


Figure S3. Acquired chemoresistance in PM_{2.5} exposed BEAS-2B cells is mediated by GSH. BEAS-2B cells were cultured in the presence of 100 μg/ml PM_{2.5} for 3 to 5 weeks. After final passage, cells were re-exposed to 100 μg/ml PM_{2.5} after 24 h. Verapamil (20 μM) or BSO (200 μM) were added 1 h prior to the last PM_{2.5} exposure. Doxorubicin (1 μM) was added 24 h after the last PM_{2.5} exposure for an additional 48 h. Cells that were never exposed to PM_{2.5} served as controls. Intracellular doxorubicin content was determined by flow cytometry and is depicted as histograms. (a), inhibition of P-gp/MDR1 by verapamil; (b), inhibition of GSH synthesis by BSO.

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