

## SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

### **STAT3/NF-κB signalling disruption in M2 tumour-associated macrophages is a major target of PLGA nanocarriers/PD-L1 antibody immunomodulatory therapy in breast cancer**

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## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

**Table S1: Mouse primers sequence, amplicon size and annealing temperature used in this study.**

| Target         | 5' → 3' Forward          | 5' → 3' Reverse       | Amplicon size (pb) | Annealing temperature (°C) | Access number  |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| <i>β-actin</i> | AGGCCAACCTGTAAAAGATG     | TGTGGTACGAGAGGCATAC   | 107                | 50.94                      | NM_007393.5    |
| STAT3          | GGGCCTGGTGTGAACTACTC     | GGTATTGCTGCAGGTCGTTG  | 564                | 54.79                      | NM_213659.3    |
| NFKB           | CCGTCTGTCTGCTCTCTCT      | CGTAGGGATCATCGTCTGCC  | 873                | 54.08                      | NM_001311126.1 |
| SNAIL          | GACTCCTCCAGCCTGGTC       | CCAGTAACCACCCCTGCTGAG | 356                | 55.04                      | NM_011427.3    |
| IL-10          | GCTCTTGCACTACCAAAGCC     | CTGCTGATCCTCATGCCAGT  | 112                | 54.65                      | NM_010548.2    |
| CD-68          | CGCCTAGTCCAAGGTCCAAG     | GAAGTGTCCCTGTCAGGCA   | 488                | 55.00                      | NM_001291058.1 |
| CD-163         | GGATCTCCGGGATGCTCTG      | CGCCTGCCAGACGAATATCT  | 878                | 54.97                      | NM_001170395.1 |
| CCL22          | GAGACAACAGTGGTCCCAGG     | CTGGCACTGTCAATCCCTGT  | 185                | 54.96                      | NM_009137.2    |
| FADD           | AGAAGAAGAACGCCCTGGTG     | GCTCACAGATTCCCTGGGCTT | 101                | 55.04                      | NM_010175.6    |
| APAF-1         | TTCCAGTGGCAAGGACACAG     | CCACTCTCCACAGGGACAAC  | 567                | 55.07                      | NM_001042558.1 |
| MDR1           | TCAGCAACAGCAGTCTGGAG     | ACTATGAGCACACCAGCACC  | 79                 | 55.00                      | NM_011075.2    |
| SURVIVIN       | AGAACAAAATTGCAAAGGAGACCA | GGCATGTCACTCAGGTCAA   | 138                | 54.76                      | NM_009689.2    |
| CD8            | GCTCAGTCATCAGCAACTCG     | ATCACAGGCGAAGTCCAATC  | 197                | 53.48                      | NM_009857.1    |
| CXCR4          | CATGGAACCGATCAGTGTGAG    | TGAAGGCCAGGATGAGAACG  | 395                | 54.24                      | NM_009911.3    |

**Supplementary Table S2: Percentage of gene expression modulation by different treatments.**

| Target          | MTX                   | PeiPLGA-MTX           | HA-PeiPLGA-MTX        | anti-PD-L1 + HA-PeiPLGA-MTX |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>FADD</i>     | Non regulation        | Upregulation (67 %)   | Upregulation (41 %)   | Not applicable              |
| <i>APAF-1</i>   | Upregulation (59 %)   | Upregulation (57 %)   | Upregulation (141 %)  | Not applicable              |
| <i>MDR1</i>     | Upregulation (9 %)    | Downregulation (17 %) | Downregulation (33 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>SURVIVIN</i> | Non regulation        | Downregulation (44 %) | Downregulation (66 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>NF-κB</i>    | Downregulation (33 %) | Downregulation (63 %) | Downregulation (51 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>SNAIL</i>    | Downregulation (70 %) | Downregulation (48 %) | Downregulation (45 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>STAT3</i>    | Non regulation        | Downregulation (54 %) | Downregulation (65 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>CXCR4</i>    | Non regulation        | Downregulation (66 %) | Downregulation (28 %) | Not applicable              |
| <i>CCL22</i>    | Downregulation (26 %) | Downregulation (56 %) | Downregulation (29 %) | Non regulation              |
| <i>CD8</i>      | Downregulation (49 %) | Upregulation (64 %)   | Upregulation (48 %)   | Upregulation (160 %)        |
| <i>CD68</i>     | Downregulation (40 %) | Upregulation (125 %)  | Upregulation (81 %)   | Downregulation (36 %)       |
| <i>CD163</i>    | Non regulation        | Downregulation (76 %) | Downregulation (78 %) | Non regulation              |
| <i>IL-10</i>    | Non regulation        | Downregulation (46 %) | Downregulation (79 %) | Upregulation (21 %)         |

**Supplementary Table S3: Modulation of protein expression by different treatments expressed in IHC score units.**

| Target     | MTX                                | PeiPLGA-MTX             | HA-PeiPLGA-MTX          | anti-PD-L1 + HA-PeiPLGA-MTX |
|------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FADD       | Upregulation (15 un) <sup>a</sup>  | Upregulation (216 un)   | Upregulation (213 un)   | Not applicable              |
| APAF-1     | Upregulation (69 un)               | Upregulation (124 un)   | Upregulation (162 un)   | Not applicable              |
| CASPASE-3  | Upregulation (100 un)              | Upregulation (180 un)   | Upregulation (165 un)   | Not applicable              |
| BCL-2      | Downregulation (96 un)             | Downregulation (96 un)  | Downregulation (159 un) | Not applicable              |
| NF-κB      | Downregulation (62 un)             | Downregulation (142 un) | Downregulation (155 un) | Not applicable              |
| STAT3      | Downregulation (75 un)             | Downregulation (184 un) | Downregulation (180 un) | Not applicable              |
| E-CADHERIN | Upregulation (53 un)               | Upregulation (104 un)   | Upregulation (103 un)   | Not applicable              |
| CD163      | Downregulation (4 un) <sup>a</sup> | Downregulation (93 un)  | Downregulation (48 un)  | Downregulation (53 un)      |
| IL-10      | Downregulation (6 un) <sup>a</sup> | Downregulation (176 un) | Downregulation (142 un) | Downregulation (153 un)     |
| TGF-β      | Upregulation (33 un)               | Downregulation (19 un)  | Downregulation (21 un)  | Upregulation (17 un)        |
| CD25       | Upregulation (78 un)               | Upregulation (185 un)   | Upregulation (96 un)    | Upregulation (59 un)        |
| PD-L1      | Downregulation (14 un)             | Downregulation (40 un)  | Downregulation (35 un)  | Downregulation (166 un)     |

<sup>a</sup> Statistically not significant result; NA, not applicable