

1 **Supplementary Figure Legends**

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4 **The preclinical efficacy of the novel hypomethylating agent NTX-**
5 **301 as a monotherapy and in combination with venetoclax in acute**
6 **myeloid leukemia**

7 **Running title: NTX-301 in acute myeloid leukemia**

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22 **Supplementary Figure S1. Summary of treatment schedules for assessing the**
23 **efficacy and survival benefits of NTX-301 in four preclinical models of AML. A**

24 Schematic outline of the 3-cycle NTX-301 treatment schedule for monitoring survival
25 and hematologic profiles in the systemic MV4-11 model. **B-E** Tables summarizing the
26 treatment schedules for monitoring survival and hematologic profiles in the systemic
27 MV4-11 model (**B**), for comparing the antitumor efficacy of NTX-301 with that of AZA
28 in the systemic model bearing luciferase-labeled MV4-11 tumors (**C**), for comparing
29 the antitumor efficacy of NTX-301 administered by different methods in the systemic
30 model bearing luciferase-labeled MV4-11 tumors (**D**) and for evaluating the antitumor
31 efficacy of NTX-301 in a dose-dependent manner in the subcutaneous model
32 bearing MOLM-13 tumors (**E**). CP, cyclophosphamide; AZA, azacitidine; DAC,
33 decitabine; NTX, NTX-301; p.o., oral administration; i.p., intraperitoneal
34 administration; q.d., once a day.

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36 **Supplementary Figure S2. In vivo assessment of tolerability upon treatment with**
37 **NTX-301, DAC, or AZA. A-B** Line plots showing changes in hematologic profiles (**A**)
38 and body weights (**B**) of female NOD/SCID mice bearing MV4-11 tumors (n=8 per
39 group) upon treatment with NTX-301 [(1.5, 2.0, or 2.5 mg/kg (p.o.)), DAC (2.5 mg/kg
40 (i.p.)), or AZA [5.0 mg/kg (i.p.)]. AZA, azacitidine; DAC, decitabine; NTX, NTX-301;
41 SEM, standard error of the mean; p.o., oral administration; i.p., intraperitoneal
42 administration.

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44 **Supplementary Figure S3. Flow cytometric analyses for the detection of**

45 **residual human CD45⁺ MV4-11 cells in cells isolated from bone marrow.** The
46 inner boxes indicate human CD45⁺ MV4-11 cells, and the percentages of these cells
47 are shown on the right.

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49 **Supplementary Figure S4. Comparison of the in vivo efficacies of NTX-301 and**
50 **AZA.** In NOD/SCID mouse models transplanted with luciferase-labeled MV4-11 cells
51 (n=8 per group), tumor growth was measured by the quantification of bioluminescence
52 emission (photons/sec) upon treatment with NTX-301 (2.0 mg/kg p.o.) or AZA (5.0
53 mg/kg i.p.). This Supplementary Figure presents single individual values from Fig. 1C
54 to avoid misleading by large standard deviations. *P*-values (vs. vehicle) are specified
55 and marked as follows: *, *p*<0.05; **, *p*<0.001; NS, not significant. AZA, azacitidine;
56 p.o., oral administration; i.p., intraperitoneal administration.

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58 **Supplementary Figure S5. Transcriptome-wide alterations induced by NTX-301**
59 **revealed MoAs of NTX-301.** **A** GSEA plots displaying significant enrichment of a
60 normal myeloid-like signature (left) and a leukemic stem cell signature (right) among
61 transcriptome changes induced by NTX-301 or DAC for 48 hours in MV4-11 and HL-
62 60 cells. **B** Heatmaps showing genesets upregulated more strongly by NTX-301 than
63 by DAC and bar plots showing the biological pathways associated with each gene
64 set in MV4-11, MOLM-13, and HL-60 cells. DAC, decitabine; GSEA, gene set
65 enrichment analysis; MoA, mechanism of action; NTX, NTX-301.

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67 **Supplementary Figure S6. Transcriptome analyses implied that NTX-301**
68 **activates a p53 transcriptional program. A** Heatmap showing the expression levels
69 of p53 target genes (n=116) induced by NTX-301 or DAC for 48 hours in MV4-11 cells.
70 Genes with marked transcriptional changes are listed. **B** Ingenuity pathway analysis
71 (IPA) highlighting the activation of p53 as an upstream regulator of genes upregulated
72 by DAC or NTX-301. Z-scores and *p*-values are shown. **C** GSEA plots showing
73 significant enrichment of a p53 signature among transcriptome changes induced by
74 NTX-301 or DAC for 48 hours in p53-proficient AML cells, MV4-11 and MOLM-13.
75 DAC, decitabine; GSEA, gene set enrichment analysis; NTX, NTX-301.

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77 **Supplementary Figure S7. NTX-301 elicited the induction of the DDR and the p53**
78 **pathway. A** Western blots showing the expression levels of proteins involved in the
79 DDR-p53 pathway in MV4-11 cells treated with NTX-301 or DAC (60, 200, and 500
80 nM) for 24 hours (up). Western blot showing the protein levels of DNMT1 in MV4-11,
81 MOLM-13, and HL-60 cells treated with NTX-301 or DAC (60, 200, and 500 nM) for
82 24 hours (bottom). **B** Bar plots showing the mRNA expression levels (\log_2) of *TP53*,
83 *MDM2*, and *CDKN1A* upon treatment with NTX-301 or DAC (60 nM) for 48 and 96
84 hours in the MV4-11 cell line. **C** Western blots showing the expression levels of p53 in
85 parental (Con) and *TP53*-knockdown (shTP53) MV4-11 cells. DAC, decitabine; DDR,
86 DNA damage response; NTX, NTX-301.

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88 **Supplementary Figure S8. Summary of the treatment schedules for assessing**
89 **the efficacy of NTX-301 as a monotherapy and in combination with VCX using**

90 **two preclinical models of AML. A-B** Tables summarizing the treatment schedules
91 for comparing the combinatorial efficacies of NTX-301+VCX and AZA+VCX in the
92 subcutaneous MV4-11 model (**A**) and for comparing the survival benefits of NTX-
93 301+VCX and AZA+VCX in the systemic MV4-11 model (**B**). AZA, azacitidine; NTX,
94 NTX-301; VCX, venetoclax; p.o., oral administration; i.p., intraperitoneal
95 administration; q.d., once a day; biw, twice weekly.

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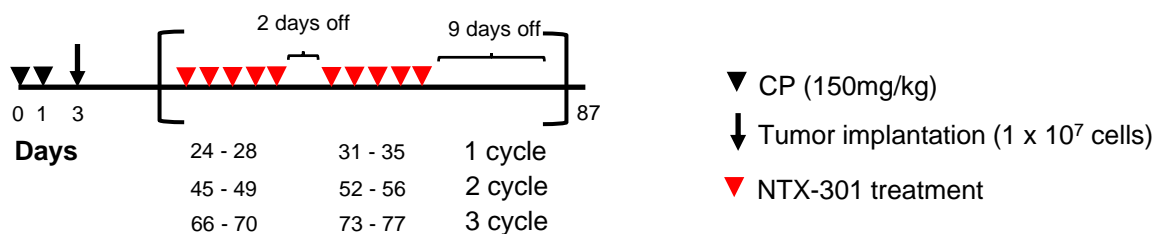
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98 **Supplementary Figure S9. Assessment of mouse body weights upon treatment**
99 **with NTX-301 or AZA as a monotherapy and in combination with VCX using**
100 **two preclinical models of AML. A-B** Line plots showing changes in the body
101 weights of the mice described in Supplementary Fig. S8A (**A**) and Supplementary
102 Fig. S8B (**B**). AZA, azacitidine; NTX, NTX-301; VCX, venetoclax.

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Supplementary Figure S1

A



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Group	Mice	Agent	mg/kg	Route	Schedule
1	n=8	Vehicle	---	po	qd x 5 then 2 days off, 5 days on, 9 days off for 3 cycles
2	n=8	NTX-301	1.5	po	qd x 5 then 2 days off, 5 days on, 9 days off for 3 cycles
3	n=8	NTX-301	2.0	po	qd x 5 then 2 days off, 5 days on, 9 days off for 3 cycles
4	n=8	NTX-301	2.5	po	qd x 5 then 2 days off, 5 days on, 9 days off for 3 cycles
5	n=8	DAC	2.5	ip	Three times a week for two weeks
6	n=8	AZA	5.0	ip	Twice a week for three weeks

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Group	Mice	Agent	mg/kg	Route	Schedule
1	n=8	Vehicle	---	po	Daily on Days 21-25 and 28-32
2	n=8	NTX-301	2.0	po	Daily on Days 21-25 and 28-32
3	n=8	AZA	5.0	ip	Twice a week on days 21, 25, 28, 32, 35, and 39

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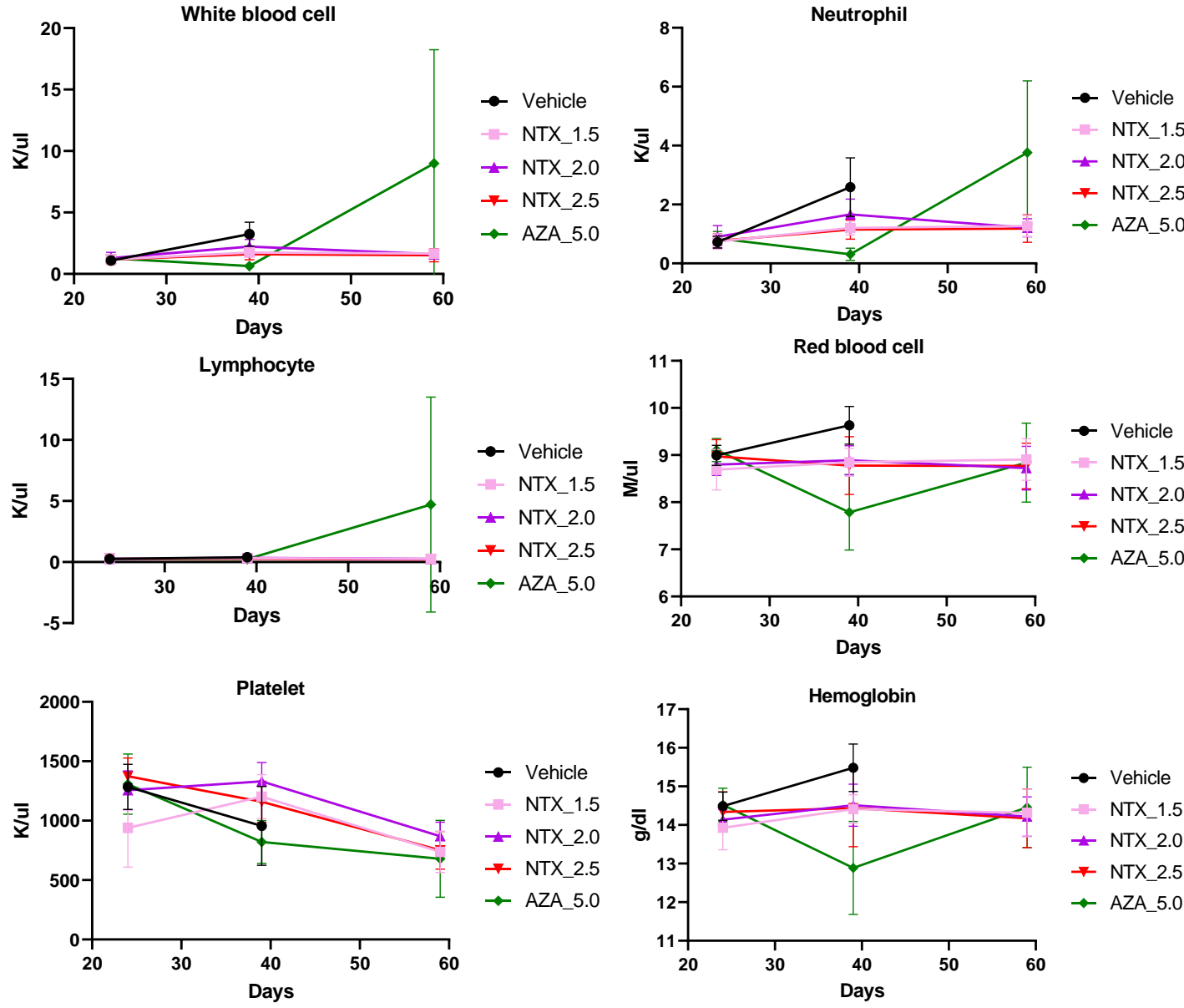
Group	Mice	Agent	Single dose (mg/kg)	Daily dose (mg/kg)	Route	Schedule
1	n=6	Vehicle	---	---	po	Daily on Days 18-22, 25-29, and 39-43 Daily on Days 18-22, 25-29, 39-43, and 46-48
2	n=6	NTX-301	2.0	2.0	po	2X daily on Days 18-22, 25-29, 39-43, and 46-47 and once on Day 48
3	n=6	NTX-301	1.0	2.0	po	Daily on Days 18-22, 25-29, 32-36, 39-43, and 46-48
4	n=6	NTX-301	1.0	1.0	po	Daily on Days 18-22, 25-29, 32-36, 39-43, and 46-48

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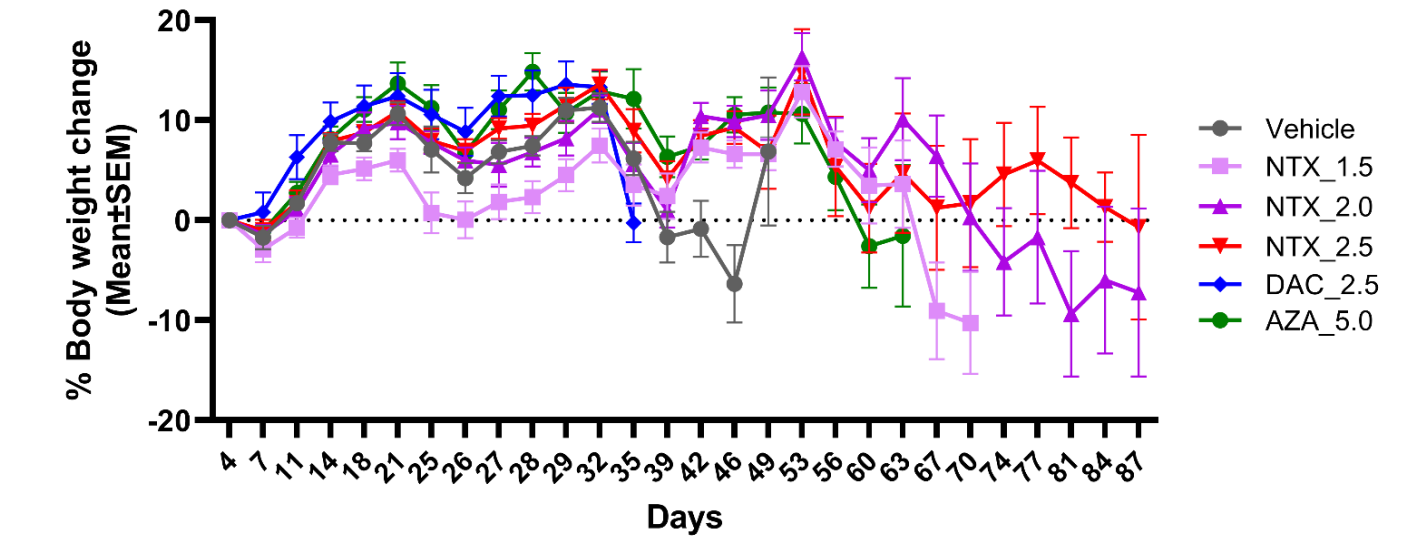
Group	Mice	Agent	mg/kg	Route	Schedule
1	n=6	Vehicle	---	ip	1x daily on days 8-12 and 15-19
2	n=6	NTX-301	0.2	ip	1x daily on days 8-12 and 15-19
3	n=6	NTX-301	0.4	ip	1x daily on days 8-12 and 15-19
4	n=6	NTX-301	0.8	ip	1x daily on days 8-12 and 15-19
5	n=6	NTX-301	1.5	ip	1x daily on days 8-12 and 15-19

Supplementary Figure S2

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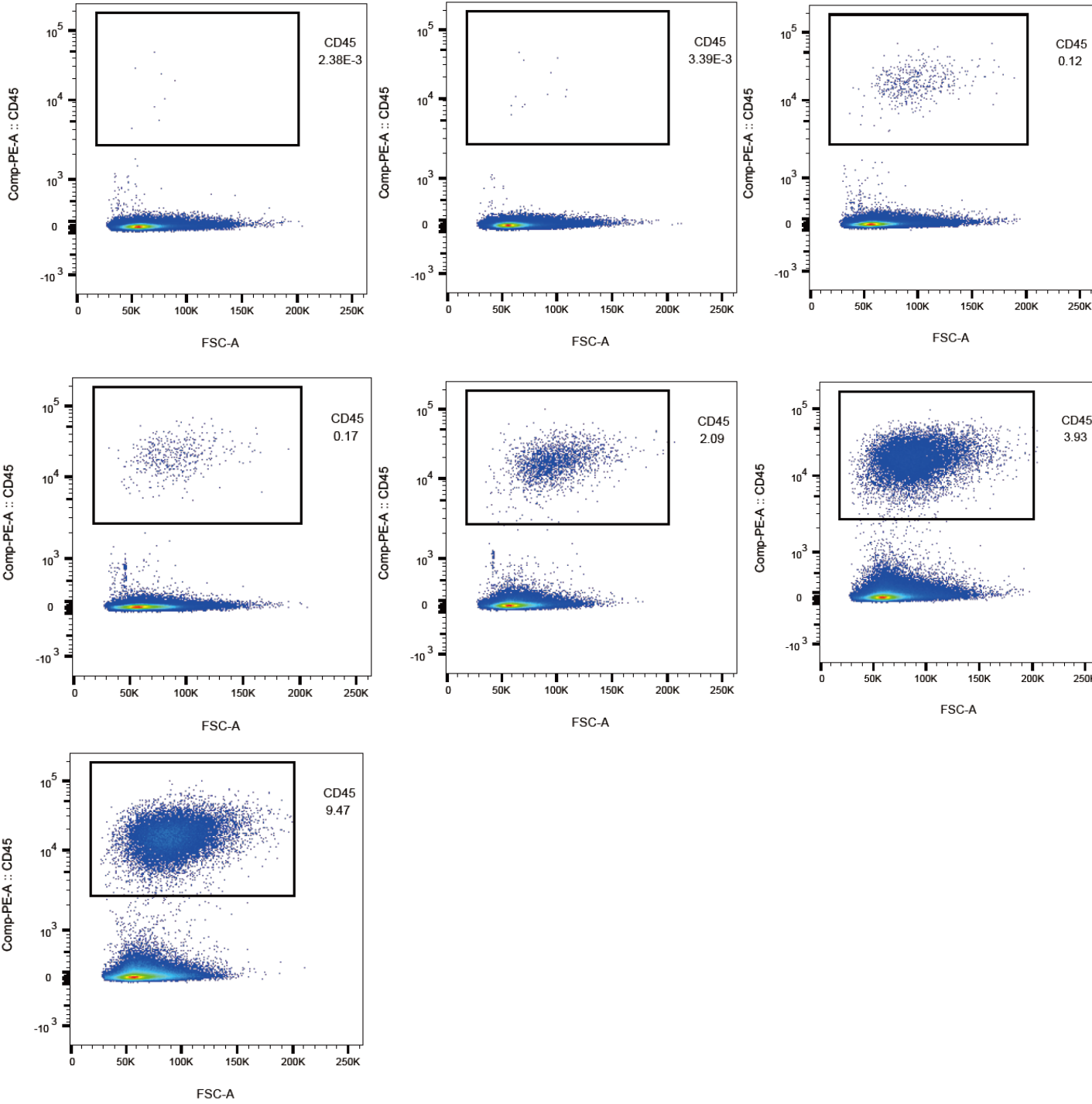


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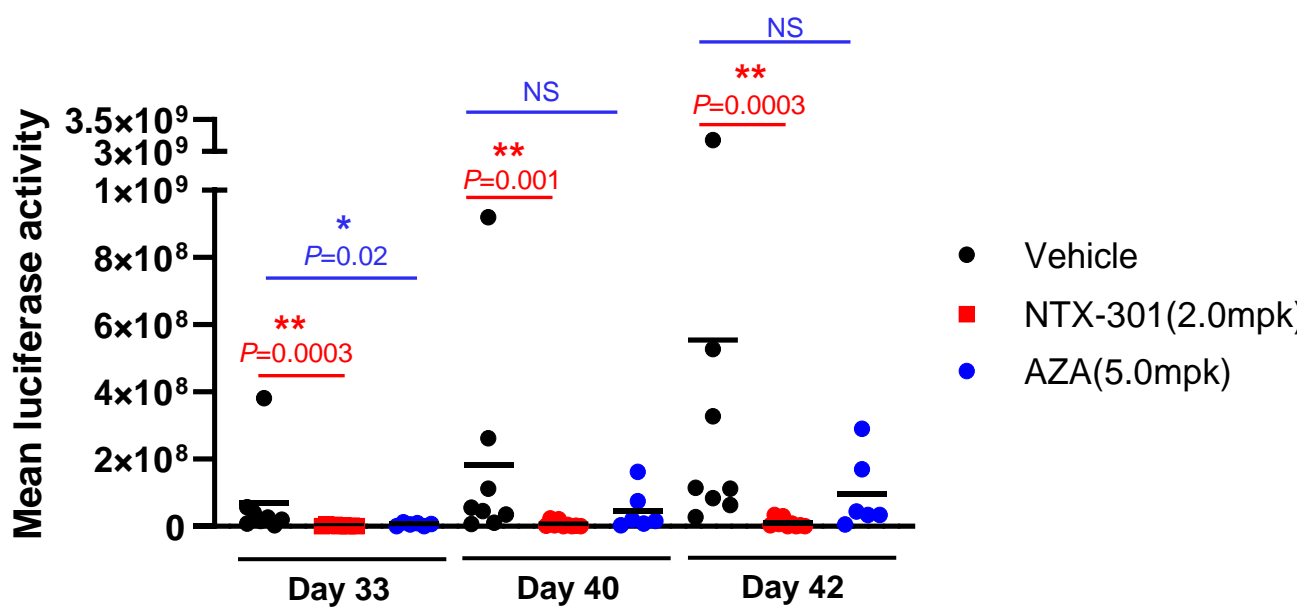


Supplementary Figure S3

% Human CD45+ MV4-11 cells determined by FACS analysis

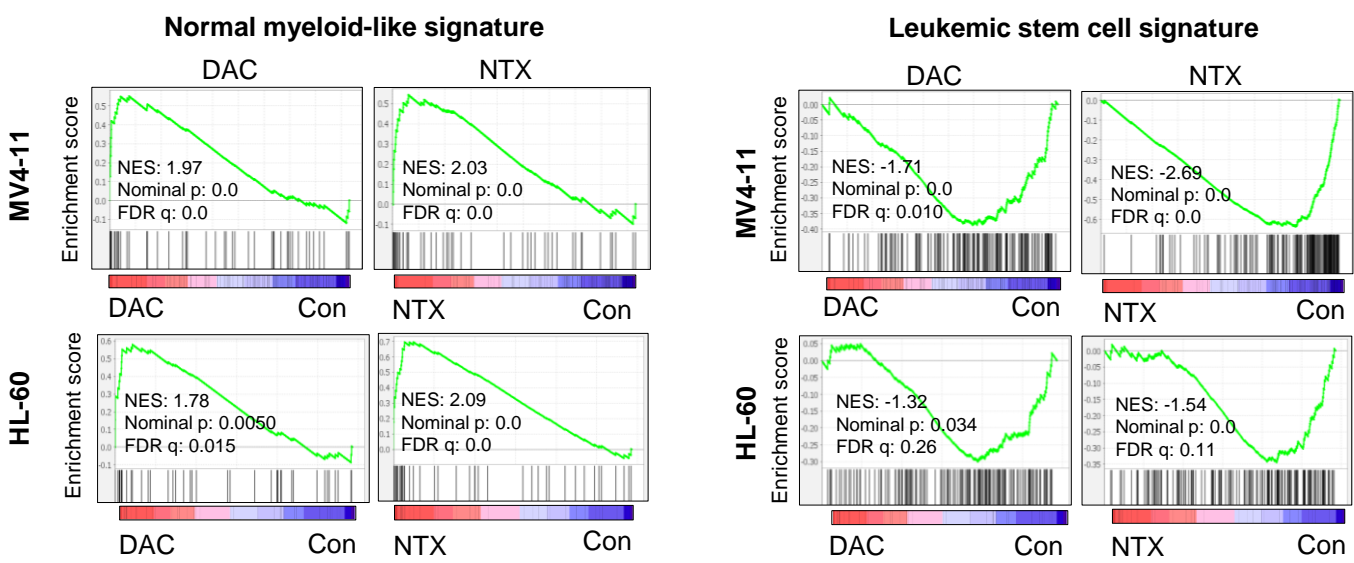


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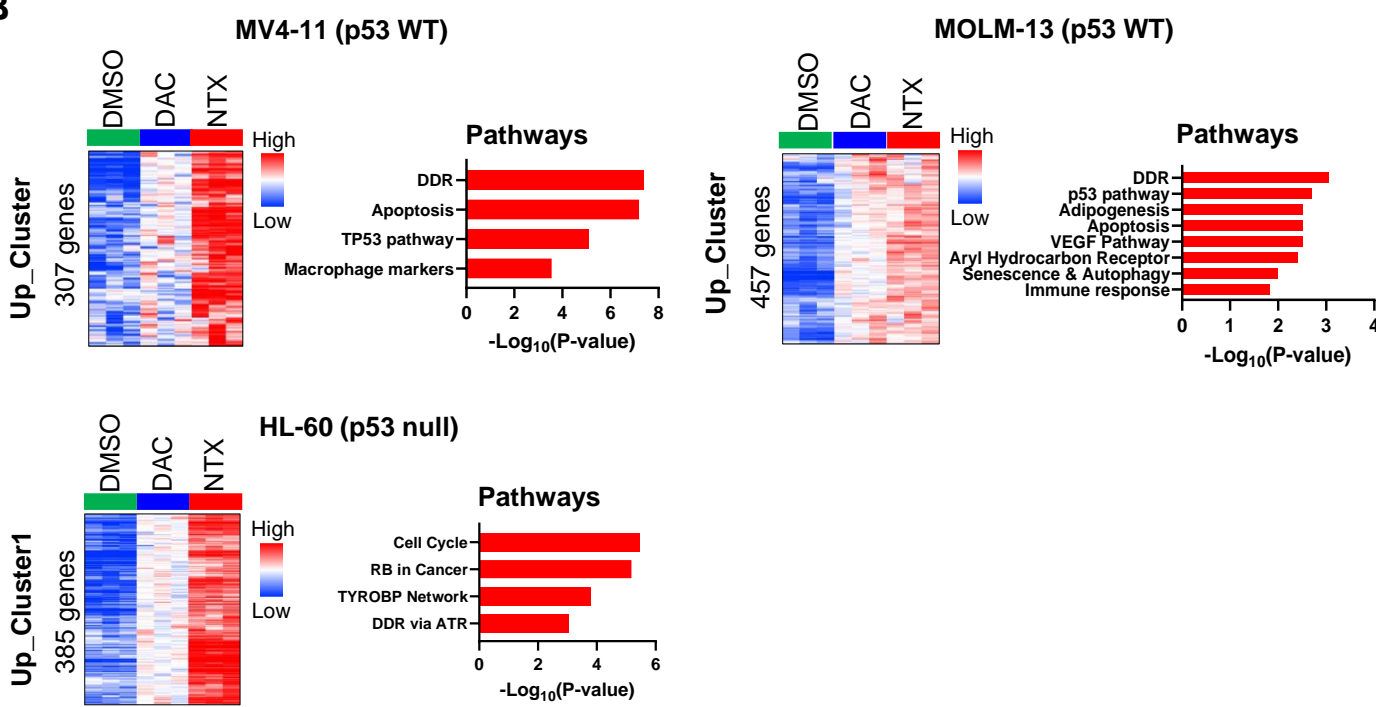


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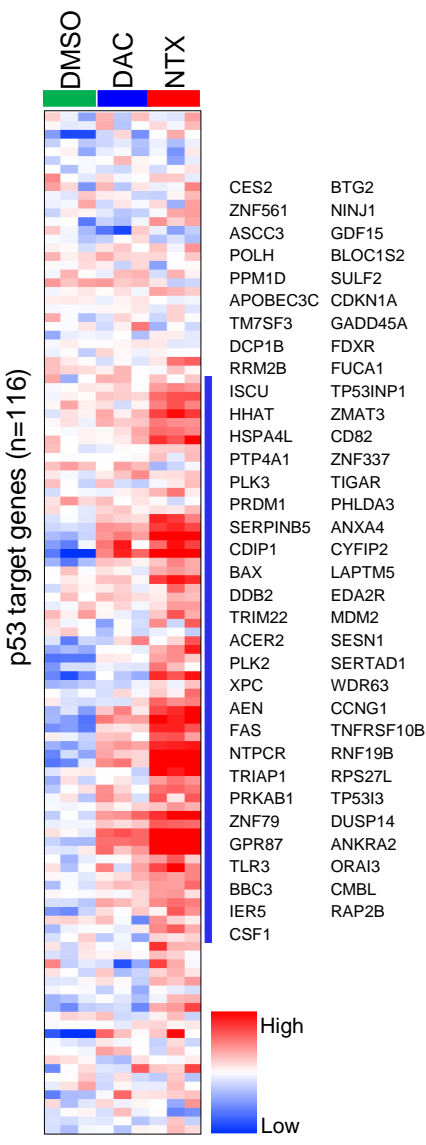


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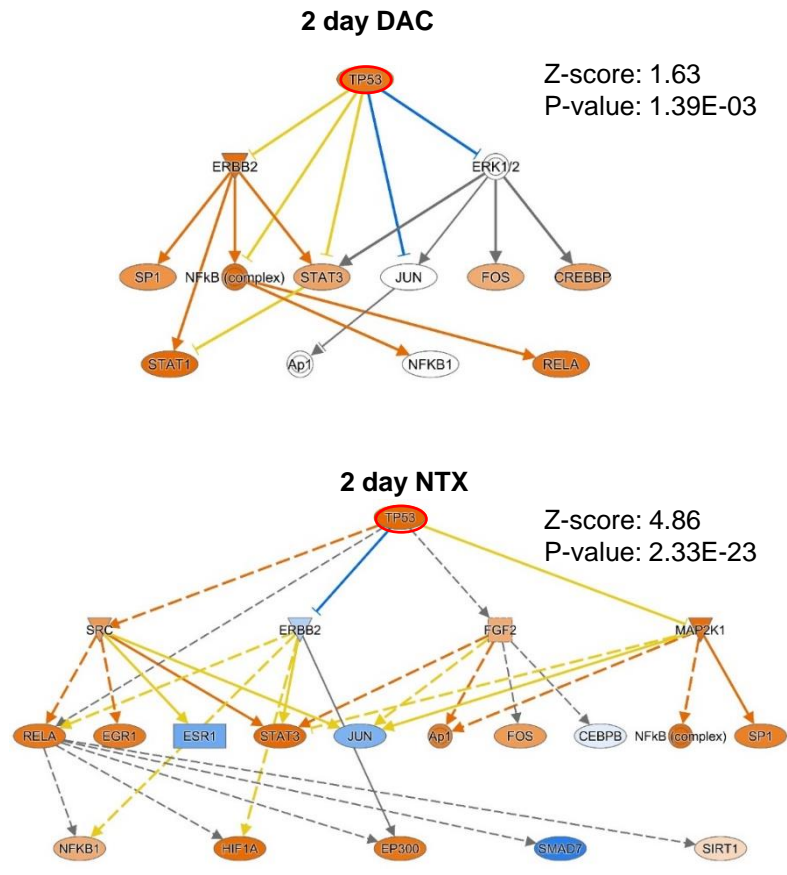
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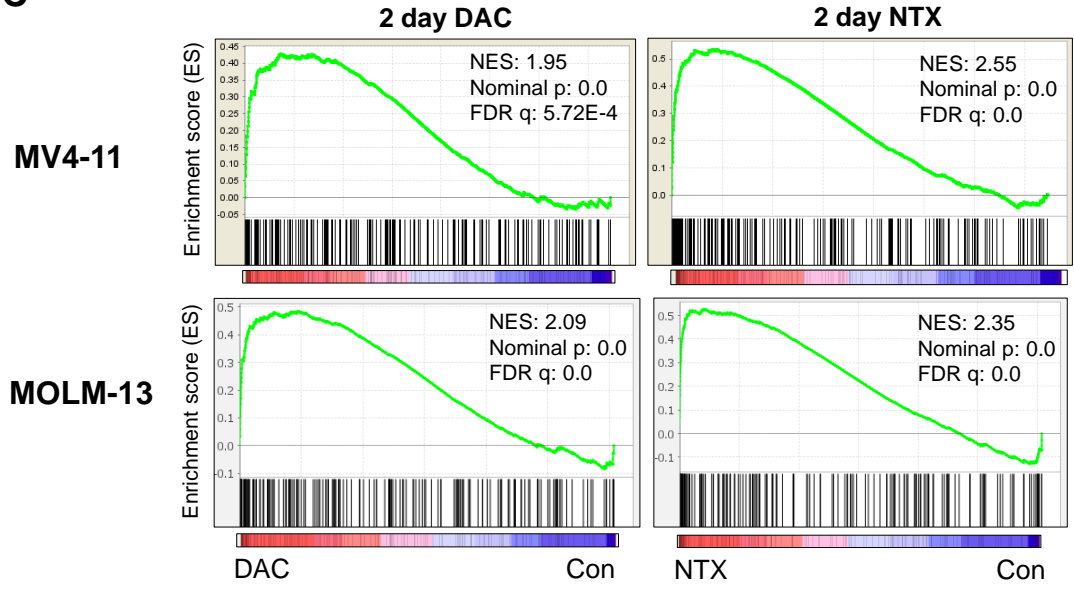


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Activation of p53 pathway

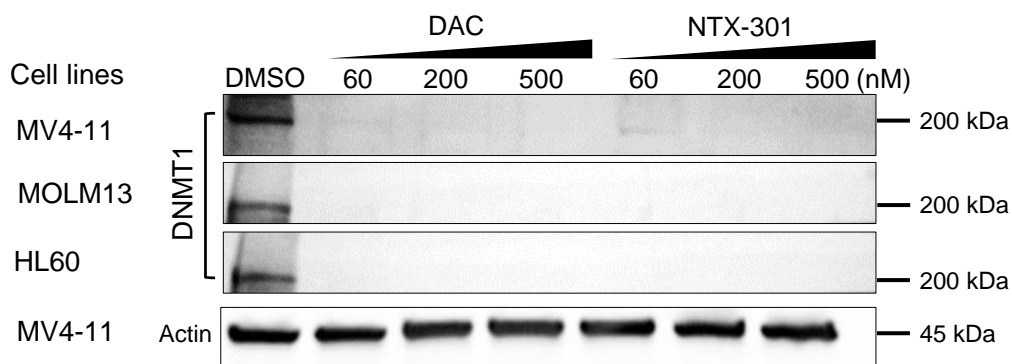
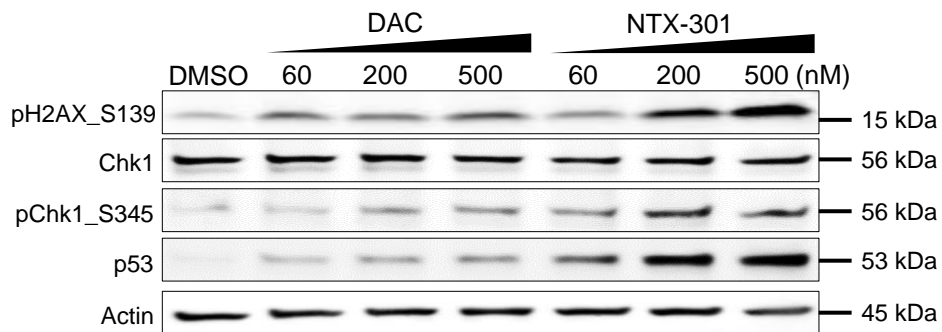


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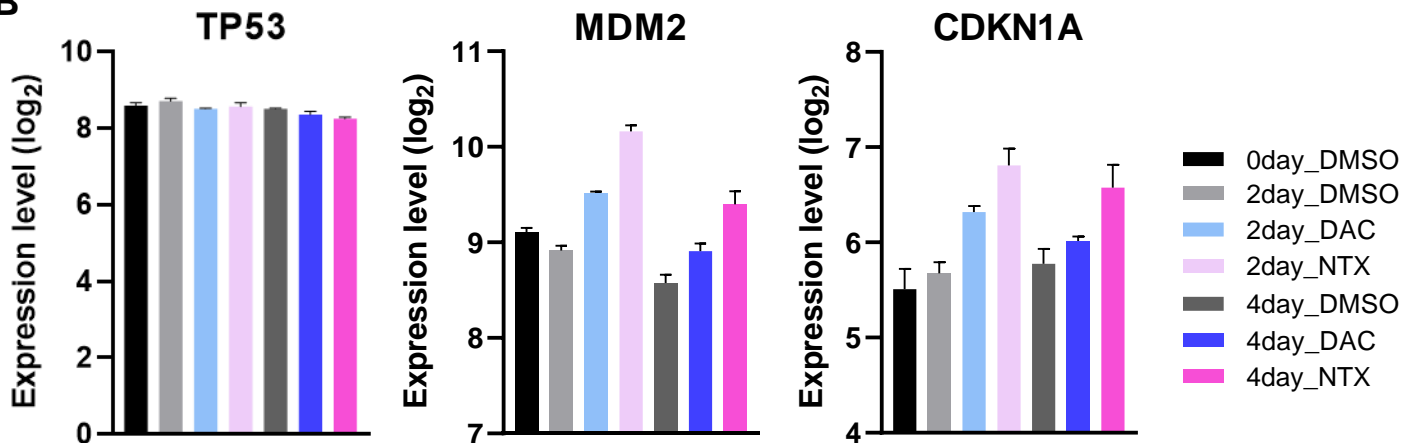


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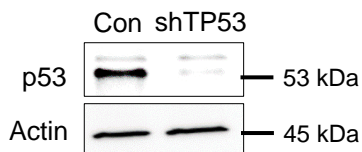
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Supplementary Figure S8

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Group	Mice	Drug	Dose (mg/kg)	Route	Regimen
1	5	Vehicle	-	po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles
2	5	NTX-301	2	po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles
3	5	NTX+VCX	0.5 + 50	po po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles (qd×5, 2 off) ×3wks
4	5	NTX+VCX	1 + 50	po po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles (qd×5, 2 off) ×3wks
5	5	NTX+VCX	2 + 50	po po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles (qd×5, 2 off) ×3wks
6	5	AZA+VCX	2.5 + 50	ip po	biw×3wks (qd×5, 2 off) ×3wks
7	5	Azacitidine	5	ip	biw×3wks
8	5	Venetoclax	50	po	(qd×5, 2 off) ×3wks

B

Group	Mice	Drug	Dose (mg/kg)	Route	Regimen
1	8	Vehicle	-	po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles
2	8	NTX-301	2	po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles
3	8	NTX+VCX	0.5 + 100	po po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles (qd×5, 2 off) × 9
4	8	NTX+VCX	1 + 100	po po	qd×5, 2 off, qd×5, 9 off for 3 cycles (qd×5, 2 off) × 9
5	8	AZA+VCX	2.5 + 100	ip po	Biw × 9 (qd×5, 2 off) × 9
6	8	VCX	100	po	(qd×5, 2 off) × 9

Supplementary Figure S9

