

Supplementary Information for

Tumor-polarized GPX3⁺ AT2 lung epithelial cells promote pre-metastatic niche formation

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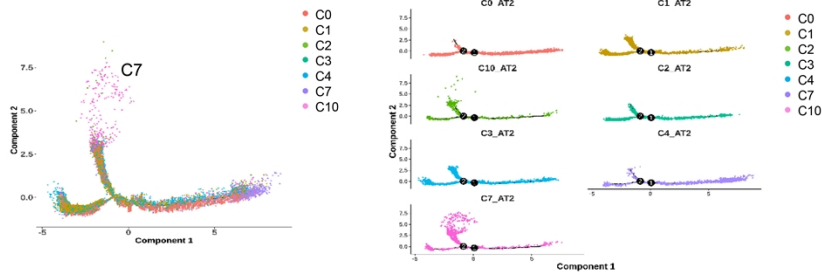
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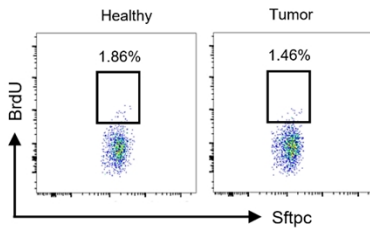
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Cluster	Cell Type	Cell number of tumor sample	Percentage 1	Cell number of WT sample	Percentage 2	Tumor vs WT (P1/P2)
C0	AT2	1957	22.9%	3110	26.3%	0.87
C1	AT2	2076	24.3%	2347	19.9%	1.22
C2	AT2	923	10.8%	1847	15.6%	0.69
C3	AT2	788	9.2%	1604	13.6%	0.68
C4	AT2	270	3.2%	1005	8.5%	0.37
C5	Endothelial cell	853	10.0%	150	1.3%	7.85
C6	AT1	307	3.6%	626	5.3%	0.68
C7	AT2	607	7.1%	288	2.4%	2.91
C8	Ciliated cells	287	3.4%	415	3.5%	0.95
C9	Clara cells	334	3.9%	150	1.3%	3.07
C10	AT2	87	1.0%	243	2.1%	0.49
C11	Undefined	40	0.5%	12	0.1%	4.60
C12	Alveolar bipotent progenitor	21	0.2%	7	0.1%	4.14

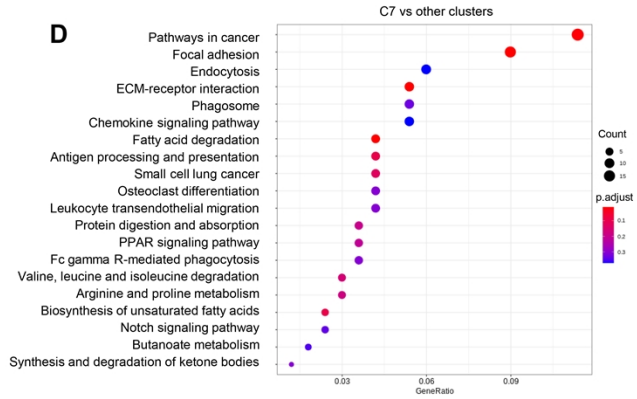
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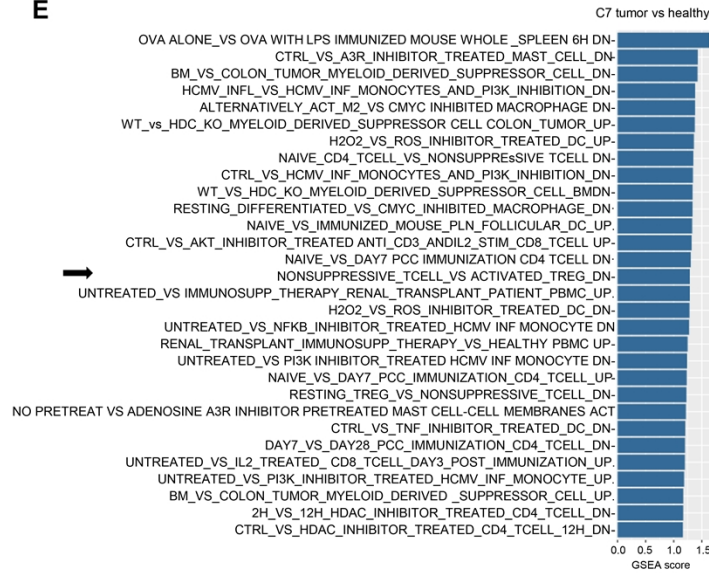


Fig. S1. Characteristics of cluster seven of AT2 cells. (A) Table of cell number and percentage of each cluster in lungs from LLC-bearing mouse and healthy one for scRNA-seq. (B) Pseudotime analysis of seven clusters in AT2 cells by Monocle 3. (C) Flow cytometry analysis of Sftpc⁺ BrdU⁺ AT2 cells in the lungs of tumor-bearing mice or healthy ones after 14-day feeding of BrdU. (D) KEGG analysis of related pathways of cluster seven cells verse other clusters from LLC tumor-bearing mice. (E) GSEA analysis of enriched pathways in cluster seven from LLC-bearing mouse vs healthy one from MSigDB (<http://software.broadinstitute.org/gsea/msigdb>).

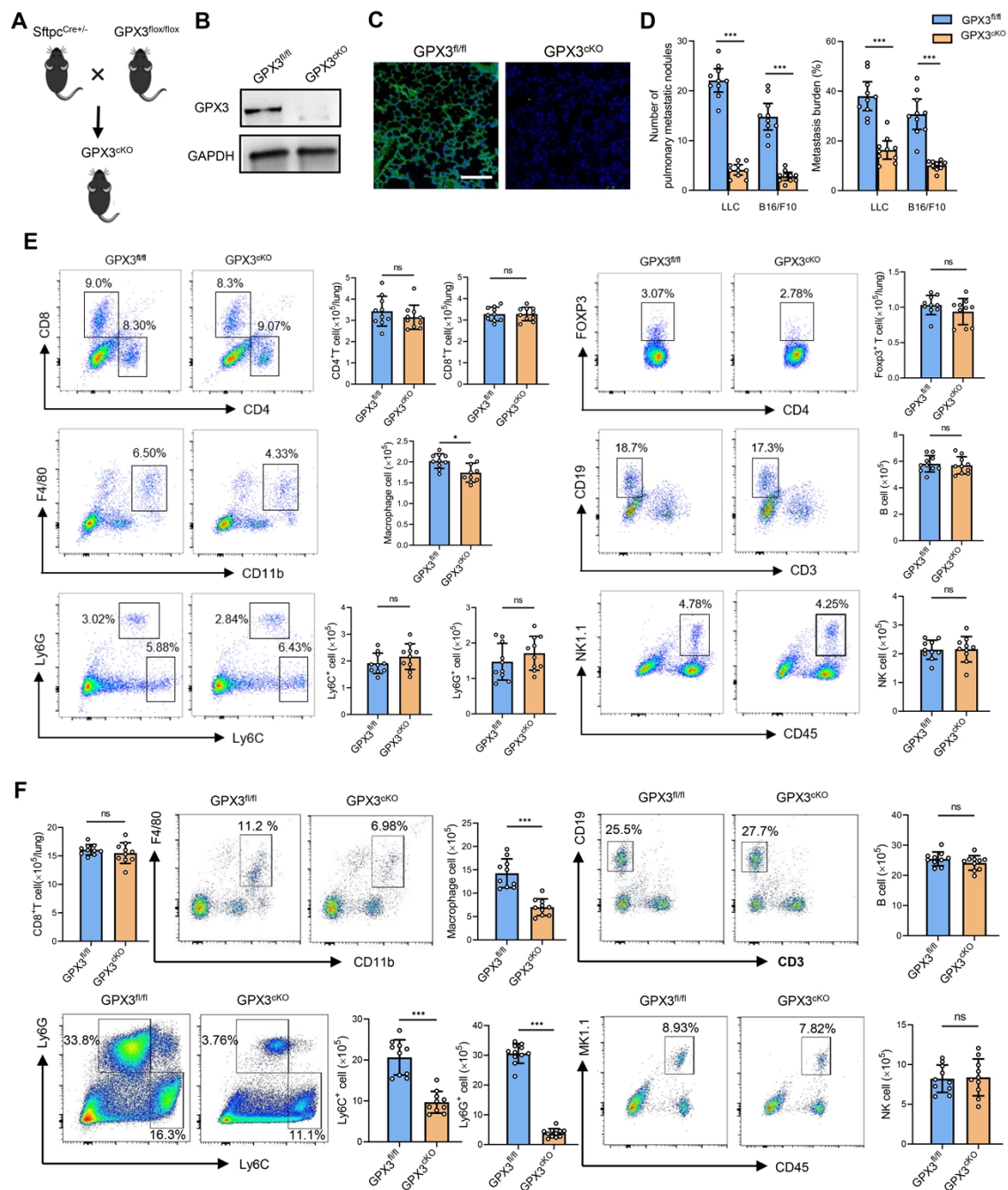


Fig. S2. Immune cell subpopulations in the lungs of the mice with conditional knockout of GPX3 in AT2 cells. (A) The schematic of experimental model of conditional knockout of GPX3 in AT2 cells by cross-breeding of GPX3^{fl/fl} and AT2 cell-specific Sftpc^{cre} mice. (B) Western blot analysis of GPX3 in the lung of GPX3^{fl/fl} and GPX3^{ckO} mice. GAPDH was used as a control. (C) Immunofluorescent analysis of GPX3 expression in the lung of GPX3^{fl/fl} and GPX3^{ckO} mice after LLC inoculation. Scale bar, 100 μm. (D) Quantitative analysis of pulmonary metastatic nodules and

metastasis burden of GPX3^{fl/fl} or GPX3^{ckO} mice. (E) Flow cytometric analysis of the proportions and absolute numbers of CD4⁺ T, CD8⁺ T cells, CD4⁺ Foxp3⁺ Treg cells, CD11b⁺ F4/80⁺ macrophages, CD3⁻ CD19⁺ B cells, Ly6C⁺ Ly6G⁻ monocytes, Ly6C^{int} Ly6G⁺ neutrophils and CD45⁺ NK1.1⁺ NK cells in the lung of GPX3^{fl/fl} and GPX3^{ckO} mice prior to tumor inoculation. (F) Flow cytometric analysis of proportions and absolute numbers of CD11b⁺ F4/80⁺ macrophages, CD3⁻ CD19⁺ B cells, Ly6C⁺ Ly6G⁻ monocytes, Ly6C^{int} Ly6G⁺ neutrophils and CD45⁺ NK1.1⁺ NK cells in the lung of GPX3^{fl/fl} and GPX3^{ckO} mice with LLC inoculation. Data are mean \pm s.d. of one representative experiment. Similar results were seen in two independent experiments. Unpaired Student's t-tests, *, P <0.05; ***, P <0.001; ns, not significant.

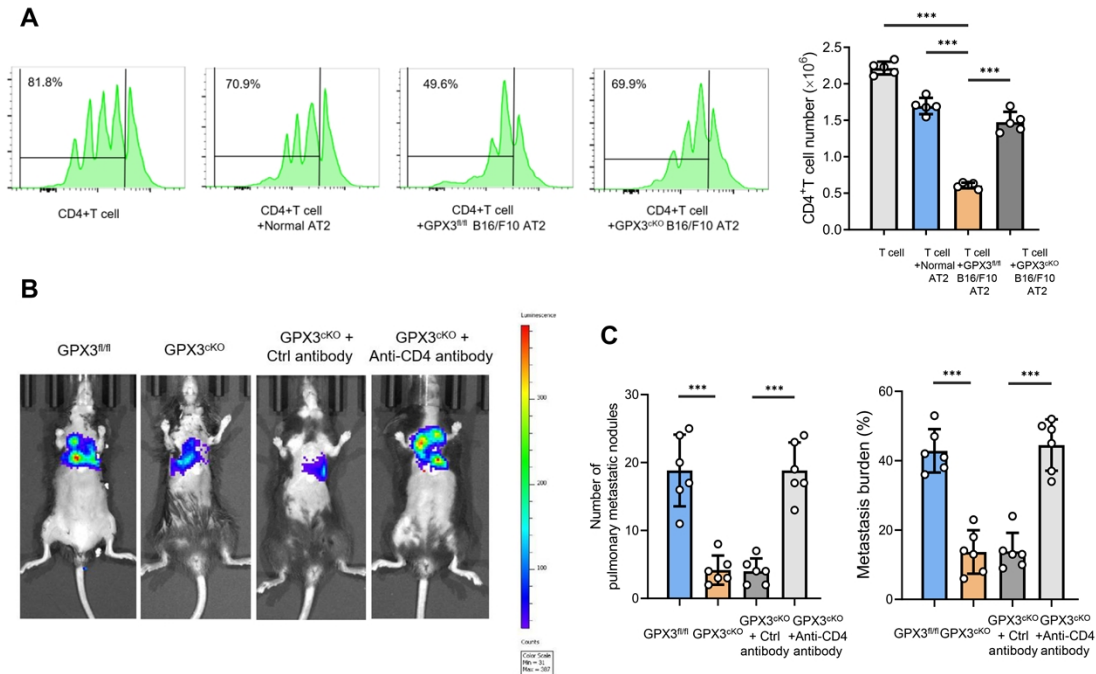


Fig. S3. Inhibition of T cell function and metastasis of AT2 cells is dependent on GPX3 and CD4⁺ T cells. (A) Representative images of CFSE-based proliferation assay and cell number of CD4⁺ T cells when co-cultured with AT2 cells derived from healthy, B16/F10-bearing GPX3^{fl/fl} or GPX3^{cKO} mice respectively. (B and C) Representative images (B) and quantitative analysis (C) of lung metastasis of GPX3^{fl/fl} or GPX3^{cKO} mice with or without anti-CD4 antibody treatment detected by luciferase-based bioluminescence imaging (n=6) 40 days after LLC inoculation. Data are mean \pm s.d. of one representative experiment. Similar results were seen in three independent experiments for A and in two independent experiments for B and C. Unpaired Student's t-tests, ***, P < 0.001.

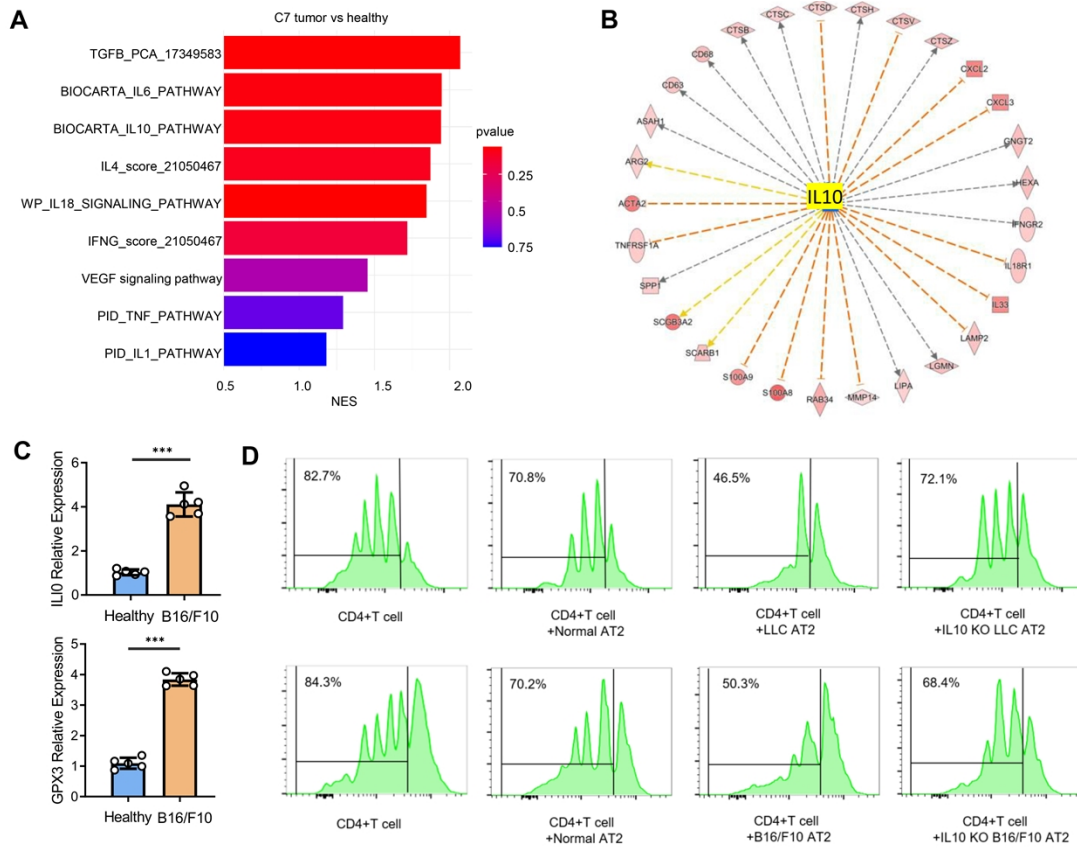


Fig. S4. IL-10 is required for the inhibition of T cell function by GPX3⁺ AT2 cells under tumor education. (A) GSEA analysis of related pathways of cluster seven cells from LLC-bearing mouse versus healthy one in single-cell data. (B) Ingenuity Pathway Analysis (IPA) analysis of interacted genes with IL10 of cluster seven cells from LLC-bearing mouse versus healthy one in single-cell data. (C) qPCR analysis of IL-10 and GPX3 expression in AT2 cells from tumor mice or healthy ones 14 days after B16/F10 inoculation. (D) Representative images of CFSE-based proliferation assay of CD4⁺ T cells when co-cultured with AT2 cells derived from healthy, LLC- and B16/F10-bearing WT, or IL10 KO mice respectively. Data are mean \pm s.d. of one representative experiment. Similar results were seen in three independent experiments. Unpaired Student's t-tests, ***, $P < 0.001$. KO, knockout.

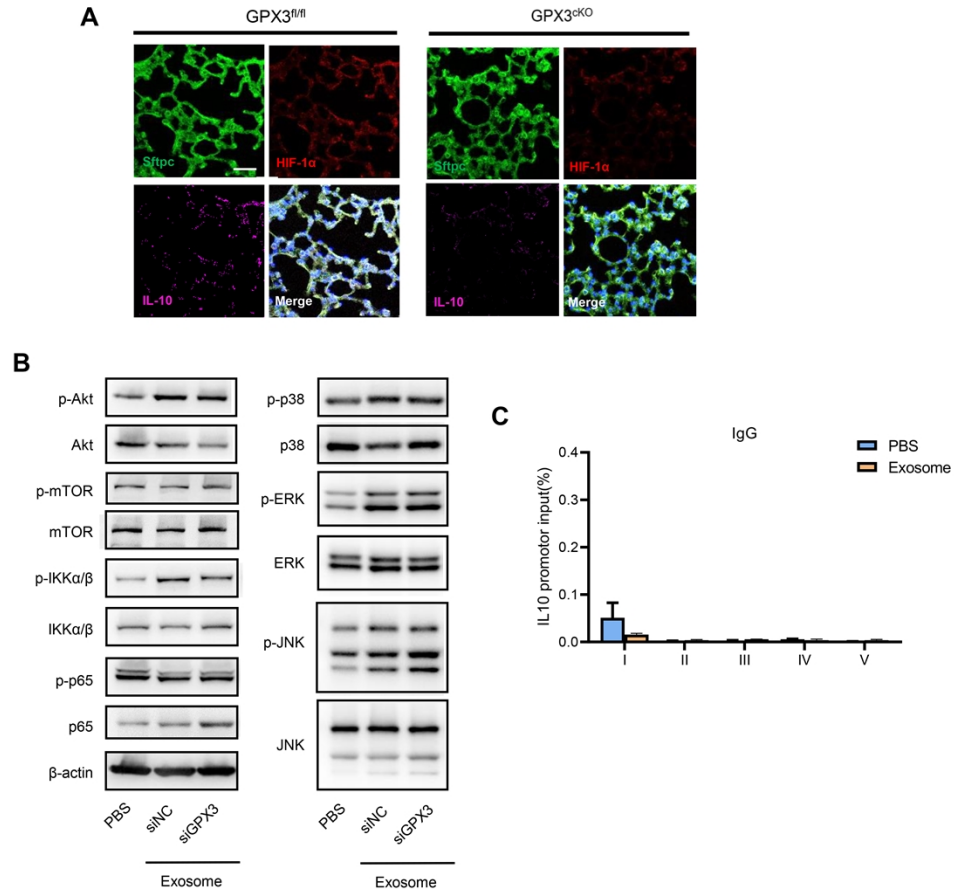


Fig. S5. Related signal pathways in tumor exosome-treated MLE-12 cells. (A) Immunofluorescent analysis of Sftpc, IL10 and HIF-1 α expression in the lungs of GPX3^{fl/fl} or GPX3^{cKO} mice after LLC inoculation. Scale bar, 100 μ m. (B) Protein level and phosphorylation of Akt, IKK α / β , mTOR, p65, p38, ERK and JNK in MLE-12 stimulated with tumoral exosomes were detected by Western blot. β -actin was used as control. (C) CHIP analysis of HIF-1 α binding site with IL-10 promoter after tumor exosome administration. IgG was used as control.