

Animal care and use statement

All procedures involving animals were reviewed and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee of the Laboratory Animal Center of Jinan University. The animal protocol in our experiment was designed to minimize pain and discomfort to the mice. The mice were acclimatized to laboratory conditions (23 °C, 12 h/12 h light/dark, 50% humidity, *ad libitum* access to food and water) for two weeks prior to experimentation. Intragastric gavage administration was carried out with conscious mice, using straight gavage needles appropriate for the animal size (15-17 g body weight: 22 gauge, 1 inch length, 1.25 mm ball diameter). All mice were euthanized by barbiturate overdose (intravenous injection, 150 mg/kg pentobarbital sodium) for tumor collection.

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