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2 **ER membrane remodeling by targeting RTN4 induces pyroptosis to**
3 **facilitate antitumor immune**

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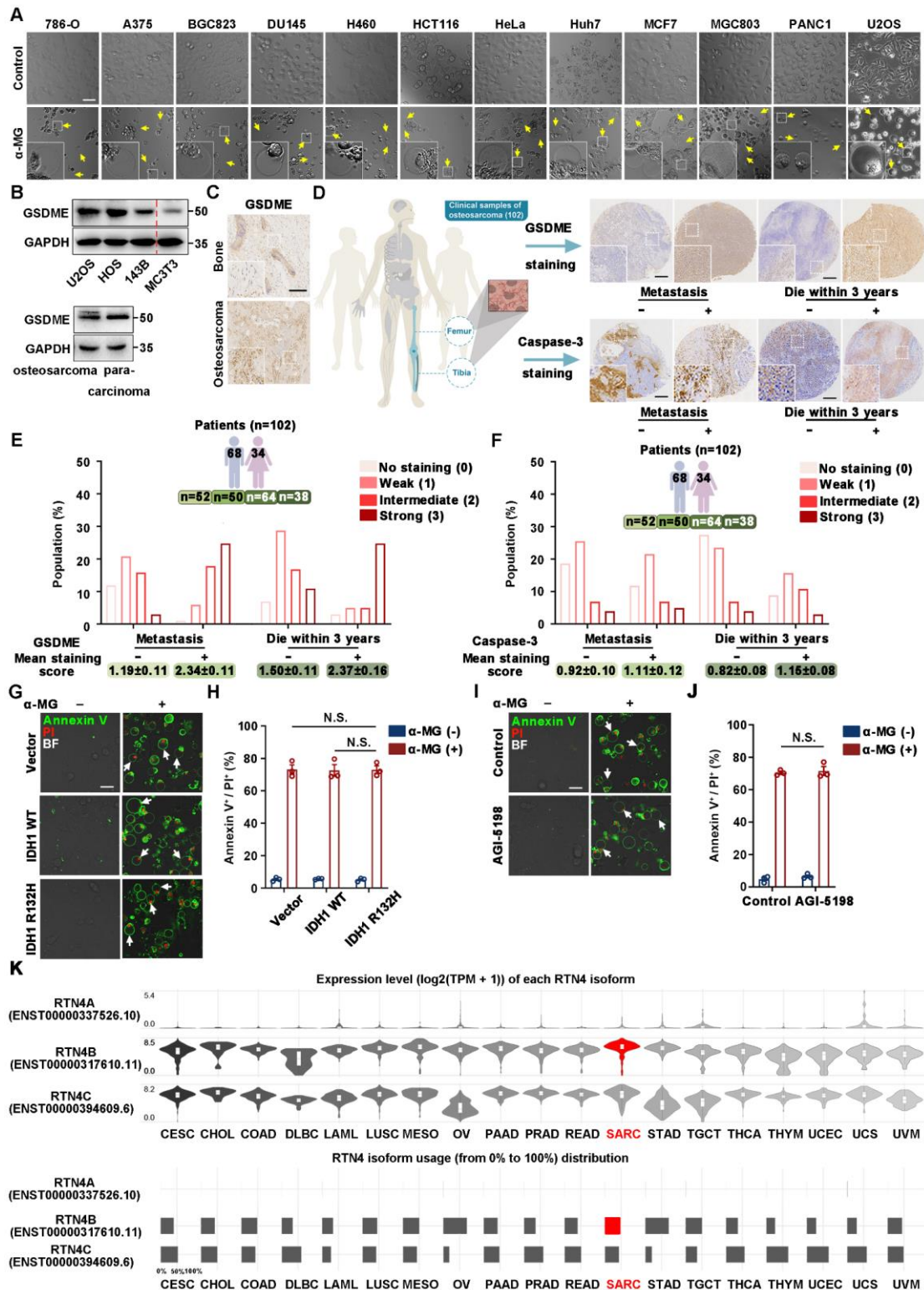
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1 Supplemental Figures

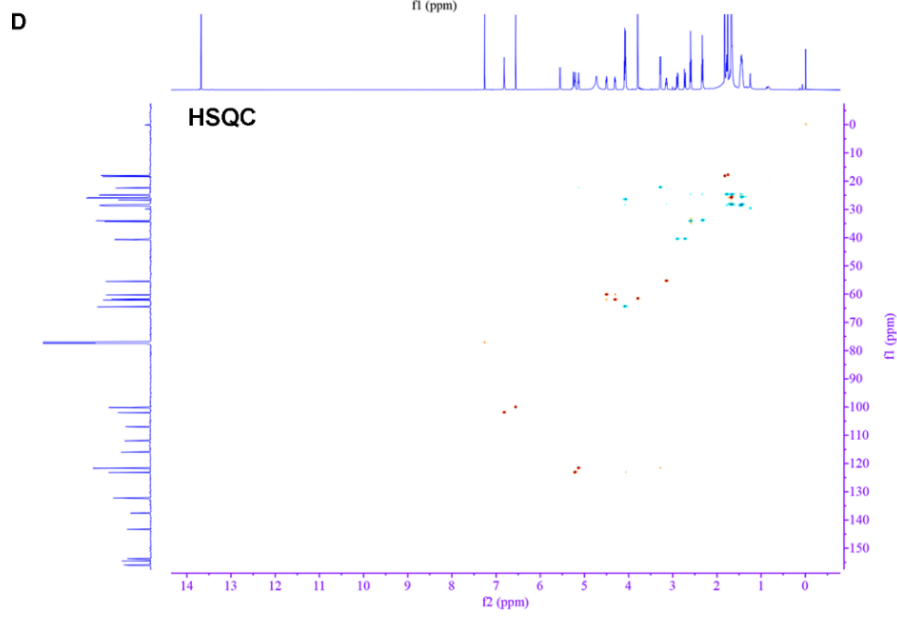
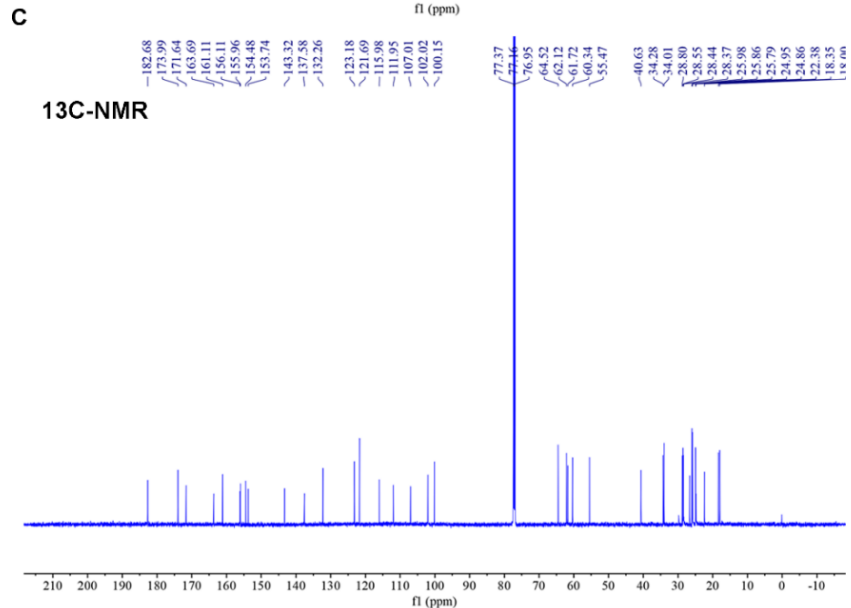
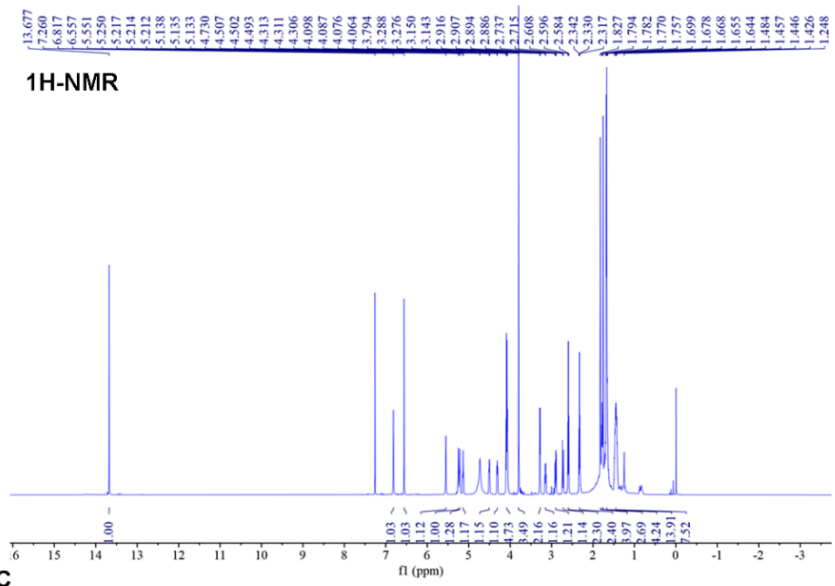
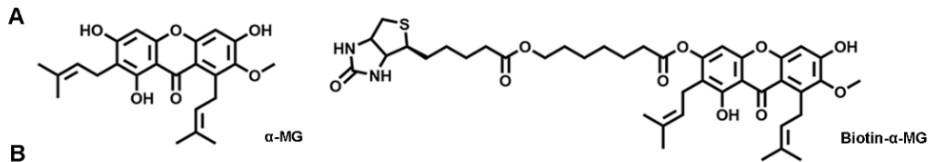


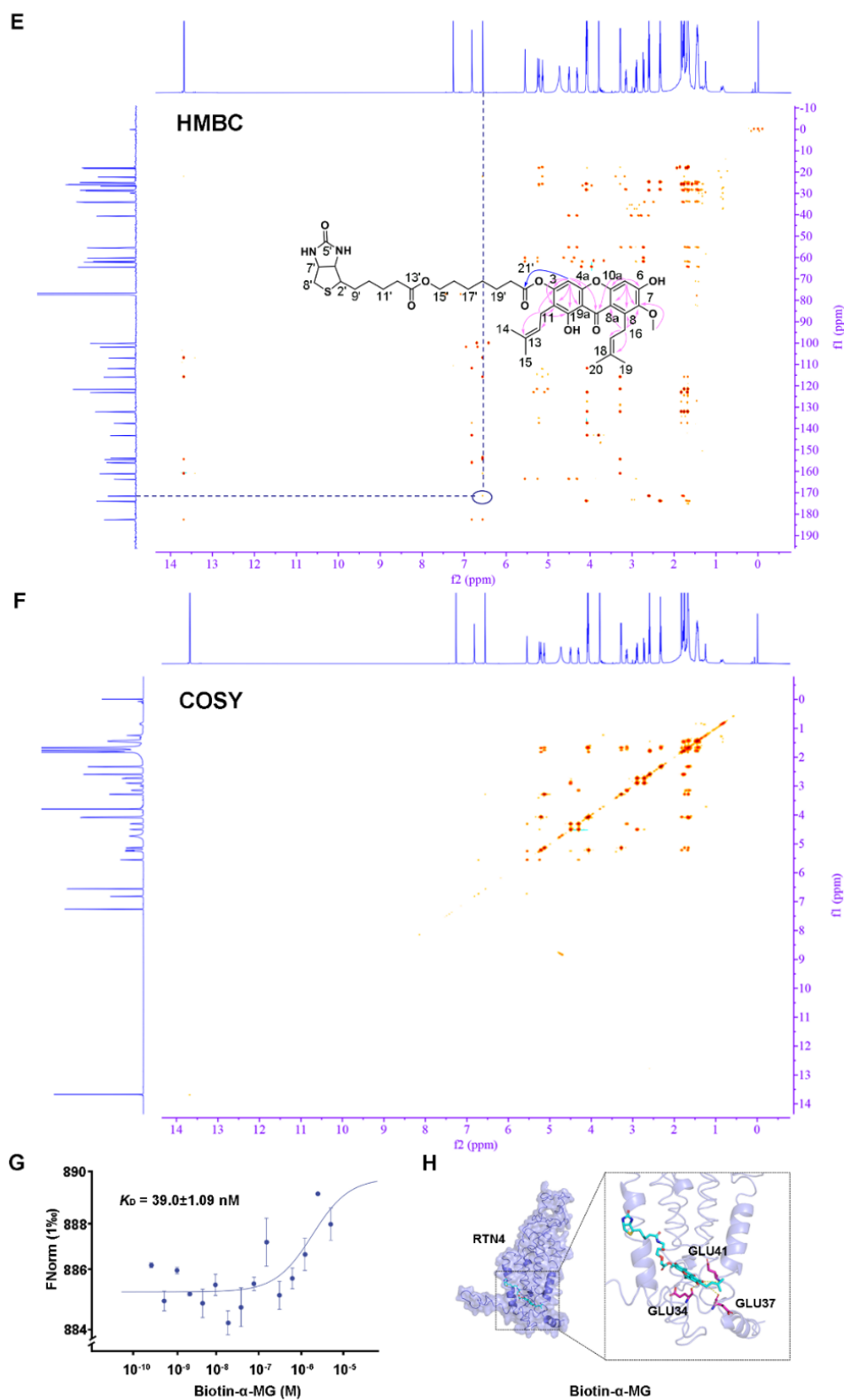
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3 Figure S1. Discovery of RTN4 as a functional protein in pyroptosis

4 (A) α -MG induced pyroptosis in various cancer cells by morphological analysis (scale
5 bar: 25 μ m). (B) GSDME expressions in different osteosarcoma cells (U2OS, HOS,
6 143B) or tissues are higher than the control MC3T3 cells or para-carcinoma tissues by

1 western blot. **(C)** GSDME expression in osteosarcoma tissues was higher than that in
2 normal bone tissues (Scale bar: 50 μ m). **(D)** 3 paraffin-embedded chips of osteosarcoma
3 patients were used for GSDME and caspase-3 immunohistochemistry. **(E, F)**
4 Assessment of GSDME and caspase 3 expression via immunohistochemical staining
5 scoring: correlation with tumor metastasis and 3-year patient mortality. **(G, H)** IDH1-
6 R132H mutation had no impact on α -MG-induced pyroptosis as assessed by Annexin
7 V-PI double staining (scale bar: 25 μ m). **(I, J)** IDH1-R132H inhibitor AGI-5198 did not
8 impact the pyroptotic phenotype induced by α -MG in U2OS cells as assessed by
9 Annexin V-PI double staining (scale bar: 25 μ m). N.S.: no significance. **(K)** The violin-
10 plots showed the expression level ($\log_2(\text{TPM} + 1)$) of each isoform in RTN4 while the
11 bar-plot panel presented the isoform usage (from 0% to 100%) distribution. SARC:
12 Sarcoma.



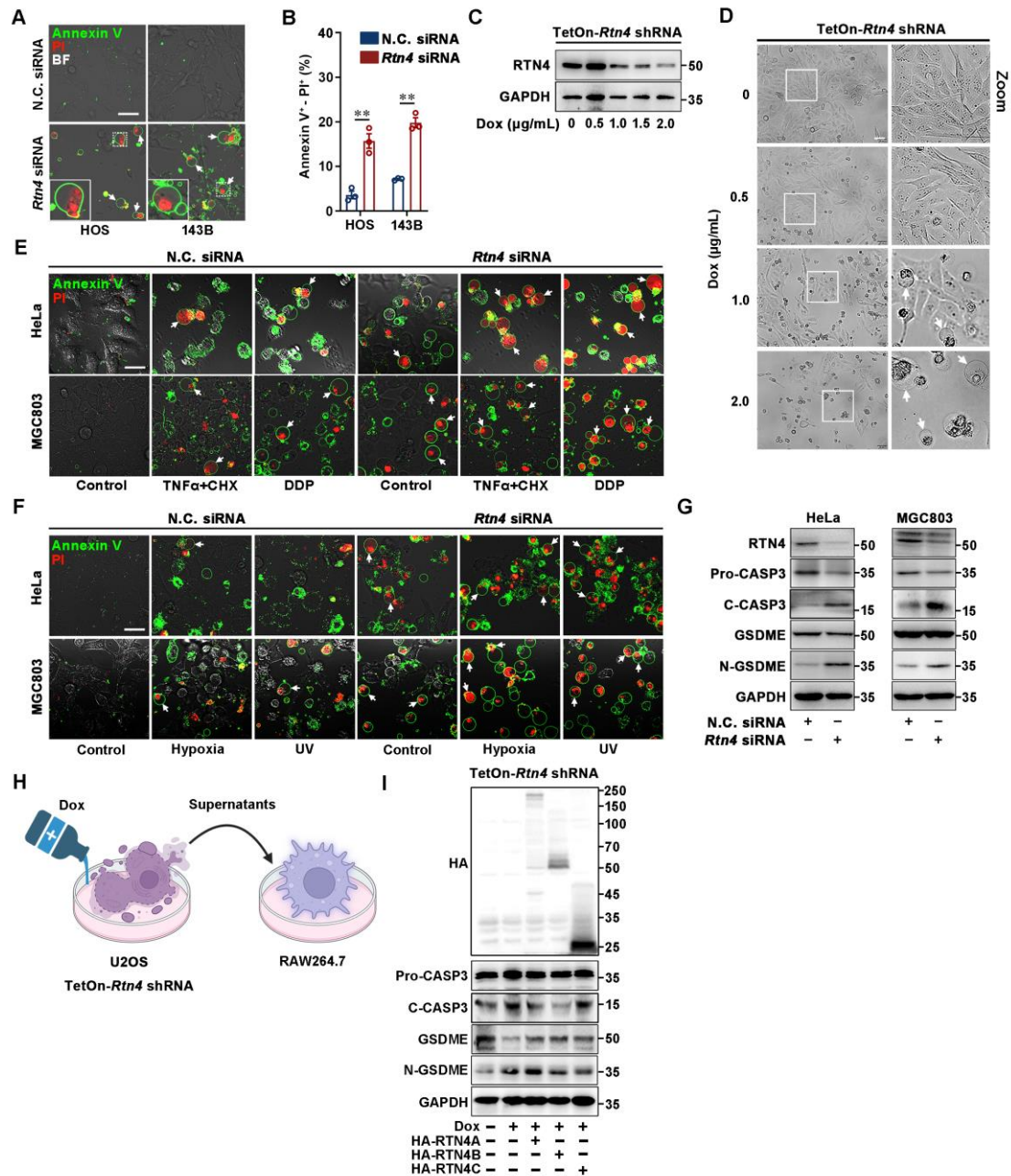


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2 **Figure S2. Spectrometric identification of biotin- α -MG probe**

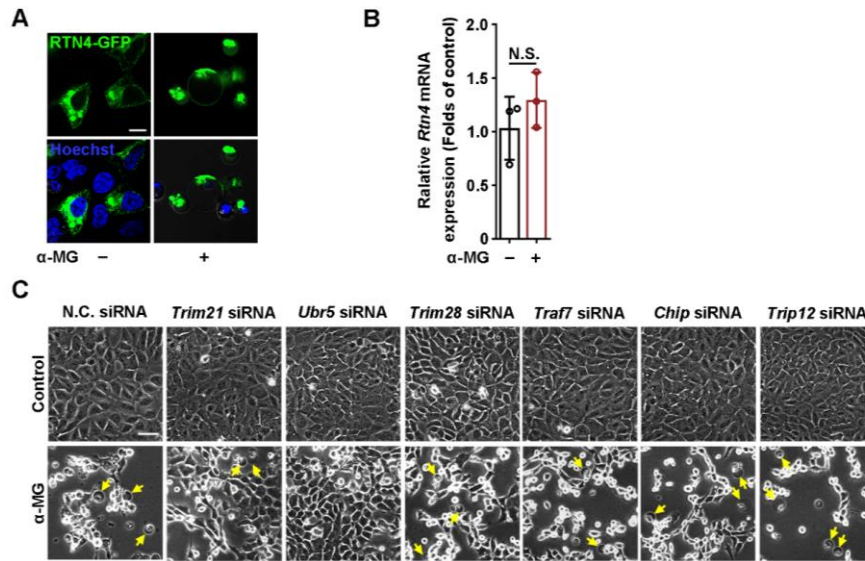
3 **(A)** Chemical structures of α -MG and biotin- α -MG. **(B)** $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz)
 4 of biotin- α -MG: δH 6.56 (1H, s, H-4), 6.82 (1H, s, H-5), 3.79 (1H, s, 7-OCH₃), 3.28
 5 (1H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, H-11), 5.14 (1H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, H-12), 1.76 (3H, s, H-14), 1.67 (3H,

1 s, H-15), 4.08 (2H, overlapped, H-16), 5.21 (1H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, H-17), 1.84 (3H, s, H-
2 19), 1.68 (3H, s, H-20), 3.15 (1H, m, H-2'), 4.31 (1H, dd, $J = 7.2, 4.8$ Hz, H-3'), 5.55
3 (1H, s, H-4'), 5.25 (1H, s, H-6'), 4.50 (1H, dd, $J = 7.2, 4.8$ Hz, H-7'), 2.72 (1H, d, $J =$
4 13.2 Hz, H-8'a), 2.90 (1H, 1H, dd, $J = 13.2, 4.8$ Hz, H-8'b), 1.67 (2H, overlapped, H-9'),
5 1.42–1.48 (10H, overlapped, H-10'–11', 16'–18'), 2.33 (2H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, H-12'), 4.10
6 (2H, overlapped, H-15'), 1.79 (2H, m, H-19'), 2.60 (2H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, H-20'). **(C)** ^{13}C
7 NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 MHz) of biotin- α -MG: δC 161.1 (C-1), 116.0 (C-2), 154.5 (C-3),
8 100.1 (C-4), 153.7 (C-4a), 102.0 (C-5), 156.0 (C-6), 143.3 (C-7), 61.7 (7-OCH₃), 137.6
9 (C-8), 111.9 (C-8a), 182.7 (C-9), 107.0 (C-9a), 156.0 (C-10a), 22.4 (C-11), 121.7 (C-
10 12), 132.3 (C-13), 18.0 (C-14), 25.9 (C-15), 26.6 (C-16), 123.2 (C-17), 132.2 (C-18),
11 18.4 (C-19), 26.0 (C-20), 55.5 (C-2'), 62.1 (C-3'), 163.7 (C-5'), 60.3 (C-7'), 40.6 (C-8'),
12 25.0 (C-9'), 28.6 (C-10'), 28.8 (C-11'), 34.0 (C-12'), 174.0 (C-13'), 64.5 (C-15'), 28.4
13 (C-16'), 25.8 (C-17'), 28.4 (C-18'), 24.9 (C-19'), 34.3 (C-20'), 171.6 (C-21'). **(D)** HSQC,
14 **(E)** HMBC and **(F)** ^1H – ^1H COSY spectroscopy of biotin- α -MG. **(G)** The binding of
15 biotin- α -MG to RTN4 was determined by microscale thermophoresis (MST). **(H)**
16 Molecular docking of Biotin- α -MG and RTN4.



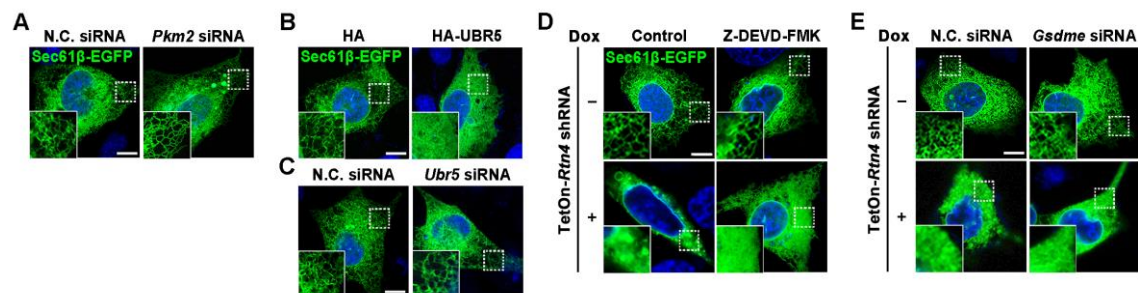
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2 **Figure S3. RTN4 deficiency significantly promotes pyroptosis phenotype**
3 (A) RTN4 siRNA induced obvious pyroptosis morphology in osteosarcoma cell lines
4 HOS and 143B by Annexin V-PI double staining (scale bar: 25 μm). (B) RTN4 siRNA
5 increased the ratio of pyroptotic cells by Annexin V-PI flow analysis. (C) Dox down-
6 regulated the expression of RTN4 in U2OS cells carrying TetOn-RTN4 shRNA in a
7 concentration-dependent manner by immunoblot assay. (D) Phenotype-based
8 concentration screen of TetOn-RTN4 shRNA system in U2OS cells (scale bar: 25 μm).
9 (E) RTN4 siRNA enhanced the pyroptosis phenotype in TNFα/CHX or DDP-treated
10 HeLa and MGC803 cells by Annexin V-PI double staining. (F) Hypoxia and UV
11 radiation showed synergetic effects with RTN4 siRNA on pyroptosis induction by

1 Annexin V-PI double staining in HeLa and MGC803 cells (scale bar: 25 μ m). **(G)** RTN4
2 siRNA activated caspase-3/GSDME signal pathway by immunoblot assay. **(H)**
3 Schematic diagram of cell communication between U2OS cells with RAW264.7
4 macrophages for immune activation. **(I)** Overexpression of RTN4B isoform but not
5 RTN4A or RTN4C rescued caspase 3 and GSDME cleavage in TetOn-RTN4 shRNA
6 U2OS cell lines.



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2 **Figure S4. α -MG serves as a RTN4 degrader by recruiting E3 ligase UBR5 in**
3 **ubiquitin-proteasome system**

4 (A) α -MG reduced RTN4-GFP expression by fluorescence imaging in U2OS cells with
5 RTN4-GFP overexpression (scale bar: 10 μ m). (B) α -MG showed no significant effect
6 on RTN4 mRNA expression by qPCR assay. N.S.: no significance vs. control group.
7 (C) UBR5 knockdown but not TRIM21, TRIM28, TRAF7, CHIP or TRIP12 effectively
8 inhibited α -MG-induced pyroptotic bodies formation (scale bar: 25 μ m).



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13 **Figure S5. The influence of Caspase-3/GSDME/UBR5/PKM2 on ER morphology**
14 **in U2OS cells expressing Sec61 β -EGFP by Airyscan super-resolution microscopy.**

15 (A) PKM2 siRNA failed to induce ER tubules-to-sheets transition. (B, C) UBR5
16 overexpression or knockdown had no obvious effect on ER membrane curvature
17 alteration. (D) Caspase-3 inhibitor Z-DEVD-FMK had no effects on RTN4-mediated
18 ER membrane curvature remodeling. (E) GSDME siRNA had no effects on RTN4-
19 mediated ER membrane curvature remodeling (scale bar: 10 μ m).

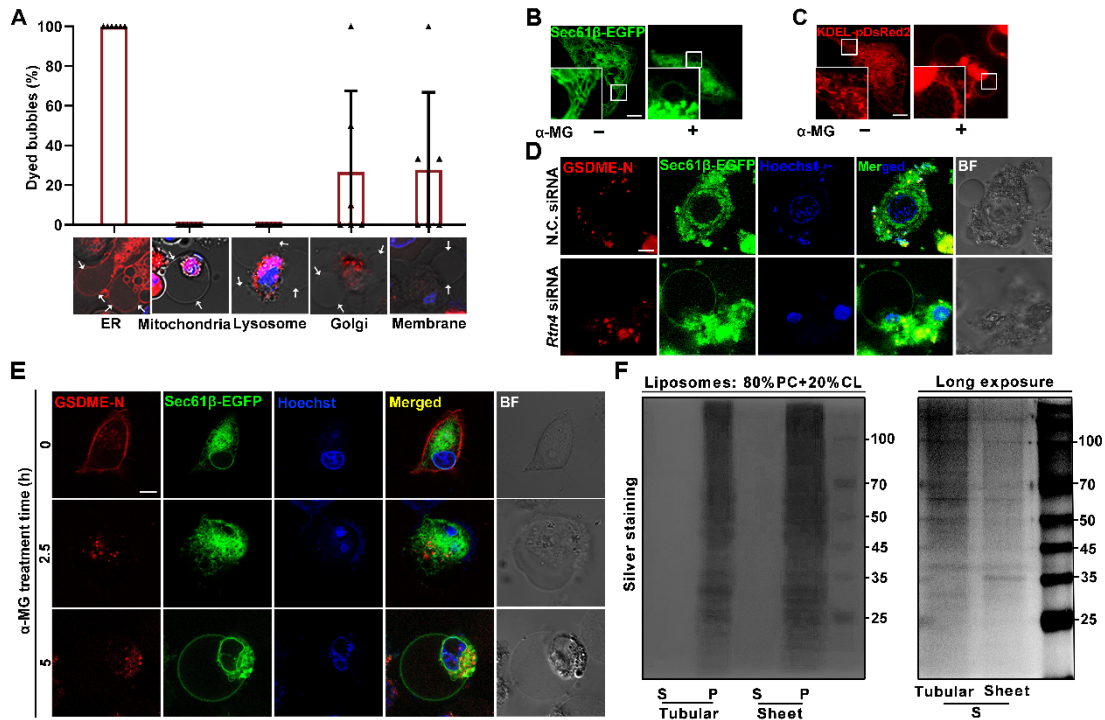
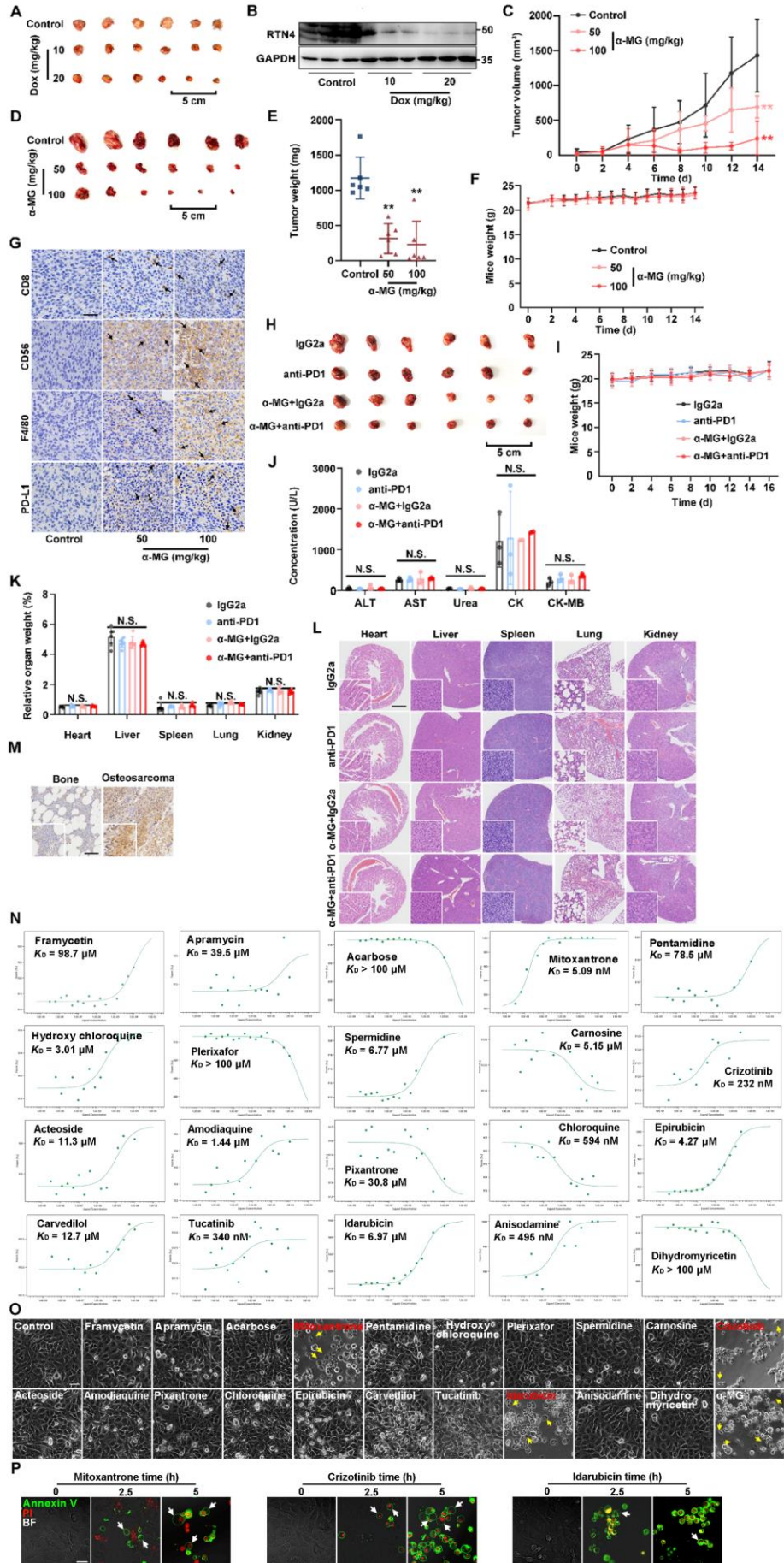


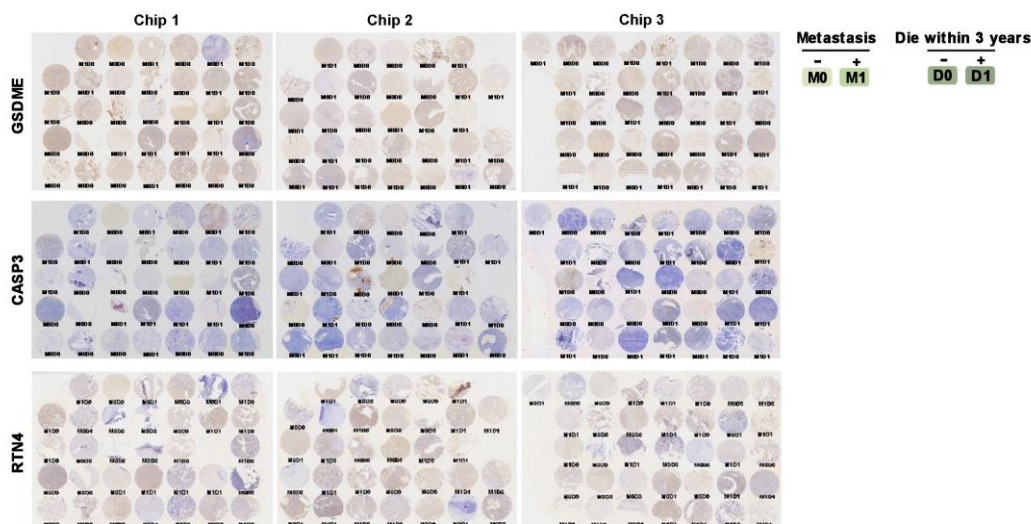
Figure S6. RTN4 knockdown promotes ER-membrane fusion to the ‘bubble’ structures.

(A) Fluorescence probes (ER tracker, Mito tracker, Lyso tracker, Golgi tracker and Cell membrane tracker DiI) tracking of the ‘bubble’ structures induced by α -MG. (B) Sec61 β -EGFP-labelled ER membrane or (C) pDsRed2-KDEL-labelled ER lumen was highly expressed on α -MG-induced ‘bubble’ structures (scale bar: 10 μ m). (D) RTN4 knockdown prompted Sec61 β -EGFP-labelled ER membrane translocation from GSDME-N pores to the ‘bubble’ structures. (E) α -MG induced Sec61 β -labelled ER membrane translocation from GSDME-N pores to the ‘bubble’ structures. (F) Sheet ER proteins were more likely to bind with liposomes rather than tubular ER proteins as shown by silver staining. S: liposome-free supernatants; P: liposome pellets.



1 **Figure S7. Translational study of targeting RTN4 for anticancer therapy**
2 (A) Intratumor injection of Dox (10 and 20 mg/kg) reduced the tumor sizes. (B) Dox
3 treatment reduced RTN4 expression. (C-E) Oral administration of RTN4 degrader α -
4 MG (50 and 100 mg/kg) retarded the tumor growth, down-regulated the tumor sizes
5 and decreased the tumor weights. (F) Oral administration of α -MG (50 and 100 mg/kg)
6 had no effect on body weights. (G) α -MG treatment activated antitumor immunity by
7 immunohistochemical analysis. Scale bar: 100 μ m. (H) α -MG administration coupled
8 with anti-PD1 treatment displayed a marked synergistic action in reducing tumor sizes.
9 (I) α -MG administration coupled with anti-PD1 treatment displayed no obvious adverse
10 effects on body weights. (J) Co-treatment of α -MG with anti-PD1 antibodies showed
11 no effects on serum biochemical indicators. (K) Co-treatment of α -MG with anti-PD1
12 antibodies did not change relative organ weights. (L) Co-treatment of α -MG with anti-
13 PD1 antibodies did not change the histomorphology of heart, liver, spleen, lung, and
14 kidney by immunohistochemical staining (Scale bar: 50 μ m). (M) RTN4 expression in
15 osteosarcoma tissues was higher than that in normal bone tissues (Scale bar: 50 μ m).
16 Data were presented as mean \pm SD (n = 6). ** P < 0.01 vs. control group. N.S.: no
17 significance vs. control group. (N) MST assay showed that a majority of candidates
18 exhibited a strong binding affinity to RTN4. (O) Characteristic analysis of pyroptosis
19 in U2OS cells under bright-field microscopy. Each compound was administered with
20 80 μ M for 5 h (scale bar: 25 μ m). (P) Mitoxantrone, Crizotinib and Idarubicin time-
21 dependently increased the proportion of pyroptosis by Annexin V-PI double staining
22 (scale bar: 25 μ m).

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25 **Figure S8. Paraffin-embedded chips from osteosarcoma patients were used for**
26 **GSDME/caspase-3/RTN4 immunohistochemistry.** M0: tumor without metastasis;
27 M1: tumor metastasized; D0: patient survived within 3 years; D1: patients died within

1 3 years.

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3 **Supplemental Tables**

4 **Supplementary Table 1. siRNA sequences for transfection**

RTN4 siRNA	5'-3' (sense) 5'-3' (antisense)	GGCACAGAUAGAUCAUUAUTT AUA AUGAUCUAUCUGUGCCTT
GSDME siRNA	5'-3' (sense) 5'-3' (antisense)	GCAUGAUGAAUGACCUGACUUTT AAGUCAGGUCAUUCAUCAUGCTT
PKM2 siRNA	5'-3' (sense) 5'-3' (antisense)	CCAUA AUCGUCCUCACCAATT UUGGUGAGGACGAUUAUGGTT
UBR5 siRNA	5'-3' (sense) 5'-3' (antisense)	CAACUUAGAUCUCCUGAAA GAUUGUAGGUUACUUAGAA
Negative siRNA	5'-3' (sense) 5'-3' (antisense)	UUCUCCGAACGUGUCACGUTT ACGUGACACGUUCGGAGAATT

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6 **Supplementary Table 2. Primer pairs for real-time PCR**

Gene	Sequence
<i>Tnf-α</i>	F: 5'-AAGCAAGCAGCCAACCAG-3' R: 5'-CCACAAGCAGGAATGAGAAGA-3'
<i>Il-6</i>	F: 5'-ACAAAGCCAGAGTCCTTCAGAGAGA-3' R: 5'-ACAAAGCCAGAGTCCTTCAGAGAGA-3'
<i>iNos</i>	F: 5'-ACCCCTGTGTTCCACCAGGAGATGTTGAA-3' R: 5'-TGAAGCCATGACCTTTCGCATTAGCATGG-3'
<i>Il-1β</i>	F: 5'-TGGAGAAGCTGTGGCAGCTACCT-3' R: 5'-GAACGTCACACACCAGCAGGTT-3'
<i>Atlastin-1</i>	F: 5'-CAGCACCTCCAGCTTTTCACTG-3' R: 5'-CACCACCATCGGCTCCATATGA-3'
<i>Rtn4</i>	F: 5'-CAGCACCTCCAGCTTTTCACTG-3' R: 5'-ACTGTCAATGAAAGCAGCAGGA-3'
<i>β-actin</i>	F: 5'-TTTTGGCTATACCCTACTGGCA-3' R: 5'-CTGCACAGTCGTCAGCATATC-3'

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