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## 1 **Legends of Supplementary Figures**

### 2 **Supplementary Figure 1. Phenotype of CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells of tumor-bearing mice receiving** 3 **PTX combined with anti-PD-1 Ab and anti-BTLA Ab**

4 (A) Distribution of selected clusters of CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from spleens. Four clusters with a  
5 percentage  $\geq 10.0\%$  in CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were determined. (B) Expression of surface markers  
6 in selected clusters of CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from spleens. In addition to HVEM, TIM-3, CD69,  
7 and CD103, alteration of A2AR and CTLA-4 was detected among these 4 selected clusters. (C)  
8 Distribution of selected clusters of CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from ascites. Five clusters with a  
9 percentage  $\geq 10.0\%$  in CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells were determined. (D) Expression of surface markers  
10 in selected clusters of CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from ascites. In addition to HVEM, TIM-3, CD69,  
11 and CD103, alteration of A2AR and CTLA-4 was identified among these 5 selected clusters.

### 12 **Supplementary Figure 2. Regulation of LIGHT expression through TLR9 pathway** 13 **activation.**

14 (A) Representative flow cytometric analyses of *in vitro* impacts of various manipulations on  
15 LIGHT expression on splenocytes. Splenocytes ( $5 \times 10^5$  cells) were co-cultured with PBS,  
16 WF-3/Luc tumor cells ( $1 \times 10^5$  cells), or WF-3/Luc tumor cells ( $1 \times 10^5$  cells) and PTX ( $1 \mu\text{M}$ ) for  
17 48 hours and the expression of LIGHT was analyzed. (B) Bar figures of LIGHT expression on  
18 splenocytes with various manipulations. When splenocytes were *in vitro* co-cultured with tumor  
19 cells or tumor cells and PTX, increased expression of LIGHT was detected on splenocytes.

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20 Expression of LIGHT on splenocytes co-cultured with tumor cells and PTX was higher than  
21 that treated with tumor cells alone. (n=5) **(C)** Representative flow cytometric analyses of  
22 CD11c<sup>+</sup>, CD19<sup>+</sup>, or NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in LIGHT-expressing splenocytes treated with tumor cells and  
23 PTX. Splenocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup> cells) were co-cultured with WF-3/Luc tumor cells (1x10<sup>5</sup> cells) and  
24 PTX (1 μM) for 48 hours and percentages of CD11c<sup>+</sup>, CD19<sup>+</sup>, or NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in the  
25 LIGHT-expressing splenocytes were evaluated. **(D)** Bar figures of expression of CD11c<sup>+</sup>,  
26 CD19<sup>+</sup>, or NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in LIGHT-expressing splenocytes treated with tumor cells and PTX.  
27 The percentage of CD19<sup>+</sup> or CD11c<sup>+</sup> cells was higher than that of NK1.1<sup>+</sup> cells in the  
28 LIGHT-expressing splenocytes. (n=5) **(E)** Representative flow cytometric analyses of *in vitro*  
29 impacts of PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN on LIGHT expression on sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells. Sorted B  
30 lymphocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup> cells) were treated with PBS, PTX (1 μM), LPS (0.5 μg/mL), or  
31 CpG-ODN (1 μg/mL) for 24 hours. Expression of LIGHT was evaluated. **(F)** Bar figures of  
32 LIGHT expression on sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN.  
33 CpG-ODN could increase LIGHT expression on sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells; however, PTX or LPS  
34 inhibited it. (n=5) **(G)** Representative flow cytometric analyses of *in vitro* impacts of PTX, LPS,  
35 or CpG-ODN on CD11c expression on sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells. Sorted B lymphocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup>  
36 cells) were treated with PBS, PTX (1 μM), LPS (0.5 μg/mL), or CpG-ODN (1 μg/mL) for 24  
37 hours. Expression of CD11c was evaluated. **(H)** Bar figures of CD11c expression on sorted  
38 CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN. CD11c could be detected

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39 (~40.0%) on naïve CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells. CpG-ODN could increase CD11c expression on sorted  
40 CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells; however, PTX or LPS inhibited it. (n=5) **(I)** Bar figures of LIGHT expression  
41 on CD11c<sup>-</sup> or CD11c<sup>+</sup> CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN. Sorted B  
42 lymphocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup> cells) were treated with PBS, PTX (1 µM), LPS (0.5 µg/mL), or  
43 CpG-ODN (1 µg/mL) for 24 hours. LIGHT expression on CD11c<sup>-</sup> or CD11c<sup>+</sup> CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells  
44 was evaluated. Alteration of LIGHT expression was only observed on CD11c<sup>+</sup>CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells  
45 with these manipulations. CpG-ODN could increase LIGHT expression on CD11c<sup>+</sup>CD19<sup>+</sup> B  
46 cells; however, PTX or LPS inhibited it. (n=5) **(J)** Representative flow cytometric analyses of  
47 relationship between LIGHT and IL-15 in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX, LPS,  
48 or CpG-ODN. Sorted B lymphocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup> cells) were treated with PBS, PTX (1 µM), LPS  
49 (0.5 µg/mL), or CpG-ODN (1 µg/mL) for 24 hours. Relationship between LIGHT and IL-15  
50 was evaluated. LIGHT<sup>+</sup>IL-15<sup>-</sup>, LIGHT<sup>-</sup>IL-15<sup>+</sup>, and LIGHT<sup>+</sup>IL-15<sup>+</sup> cells were obviously  
51 induced in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells treated with LPS (~45.0%) or CpG-ODN (>65.0%). **(K)** Bar  
52 figures of percentages of LIGHT<sup>+</sup>IL-15<sup>+</sup> cells in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX,  
53 LPS, or CpG-ODN. The percentage of LIGHT<sup>+</sup>IL-15<sup>+</sup> cells was higher in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells  
54 induced by LPS or CpG-ODN was higher than that induced by PTX. (n=5) **(L)** Representative  
55 flow cytometric analyses of relationship between LIGHT and BTLA in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in*  
56 *vitro* treated with PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN. Sorted B lymphocytes (5x10<sup>5</sup> cells) were treated  
57 with PBS, PTX (1 µM), LPS (0.5 µg/mL), or CpG-ODN (1 µg/mL) for 24 hours. Relationship

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58 between LIGHT and BTLA was evaluated. BTLA was noted on more than 40.0% of  
59 LIGHT-expressing CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells treated with CpG-ODN. **(M)** Bar figures of LIGHT<sup>+</sup>BTLA<sup>+</sup>  
60 cells in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B cells *in vitro* treated with PTX, LPS, or CpG-ODN. Under CpG-ODN  
61 treatment, the highest percentage of LIGHT<sup>+</sup>BTLA<sup>+</sup> cells was identified in sorted CD19<sup>+</sup> B  
62 cells. (n=5) (\**p* < 0.05, \*\**p* < 0.01, by Kruskal-Wallis test)

63 **Supplementary Figure 3. Expression of different cytotoxic markers**

64 **(A)** Representative flow cytometric analysis of expression of different cytotoxic markers in  
65 HVEM<sup>+</sup>PD-1<sup>+</sup>TIM-3<sup>+</sup> CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T lymphocytes from spleens of tumor-bearing mice receiving  
66 PTX. **(B)** Bar figures of percentages of cytotoxic marker expression in HVEM<sup>+</sup>PD-1<sup>+</sup>TIM-3<sup>+</sup>  
67 CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T lymphocytes from spleens of tumor-bearing mice receiving PTX. More than  
68 50.0% of HVEM<sup>+</sup>PD-1<sup>+</sup>TIM-3<sup>+</sup> CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells expressed GZMB, TNF- $\alpha$ , IFN- $\gamma$  or  
69 CD107a. (n=5)