

Investigating the effects of *Taiwania cryptomerioides* Hayata Extracts against Arecoline and 4-NQO-induced Oral Cancer Cells



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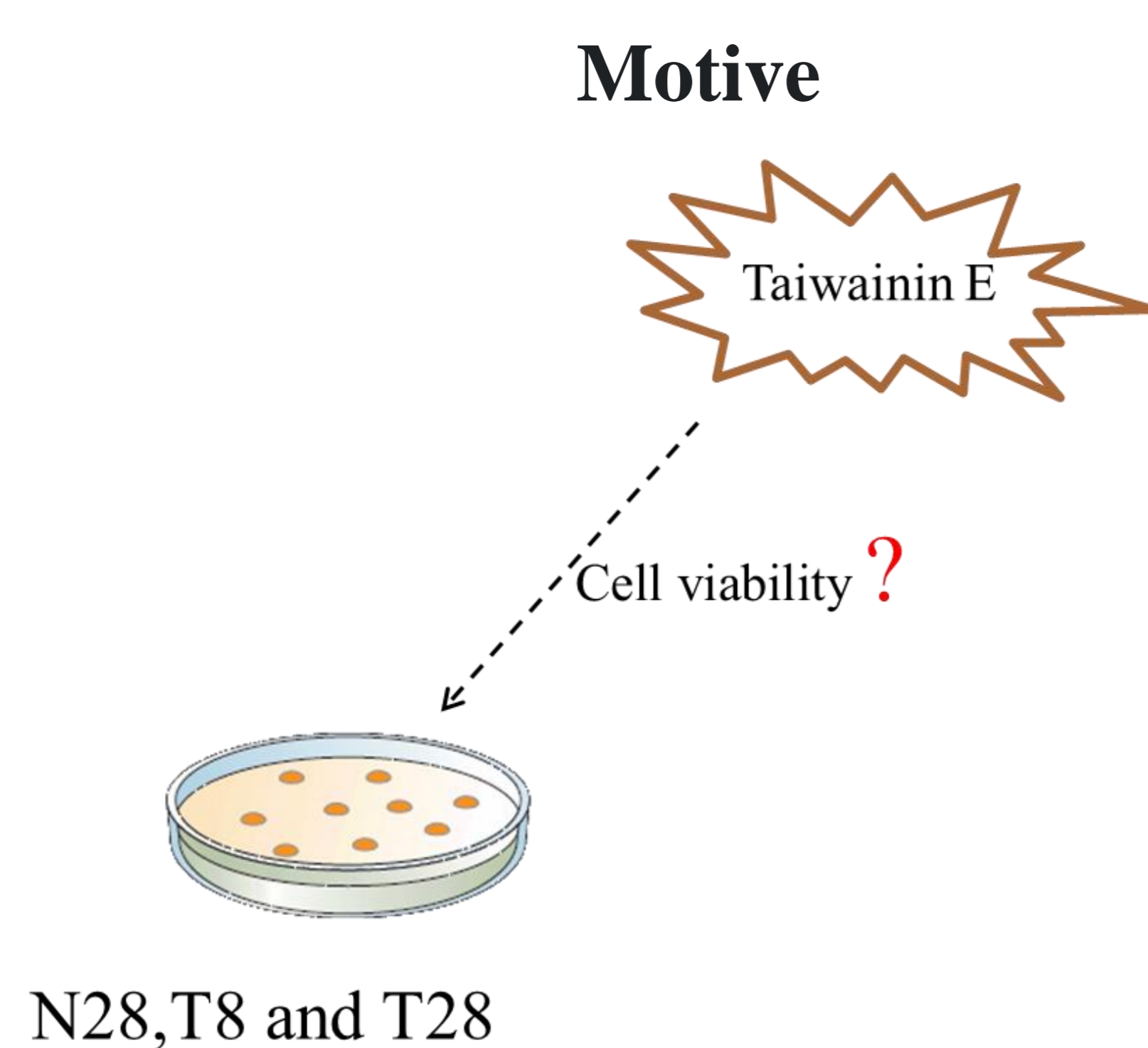
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Abstract

Oral cancer is the major life-threatening oral diseases. Chewing Areca nut (AN) is a popular oral habit in Taiwan and Asia, arecoline is a potent carcinogen in Areca nut. Chronic exposure to Arecoline carcinogens in the upper aerodigestive tract causes genetic changes in the epithelial cells of the oral mucosa. The OSCC model in C57BL/6J Narl mice is generated by 0.5mg/mL arecoline plus 0.2mg/mL 4NQO carcinogen in drinking water for 8 and 28 weeks to mimic the etiology of oral cancer patient in Asia. Mice were sacrificed and cell were cultured as T8 and T28 cancer cells. The treatment of nature herbal product from *Taiwania cryptomerioides* Hayata, Taiwanin E significantly inhibited the cell viability of T28 cells in dose dependent manners, but no effect on N28 normal cells. Taiwanin E activated P21 and P27 cell cycle regulatory protein and reduced the Cyclin A, Cyclin D1 and Cyclin E, also inhibit cell proliferation in T28 cell. Besides, Taiwanin E can even enhance T28 oral cancer cells apoptosis in dose dependent manners. Taiwanin E decreased anti-apoptotic protein Bcl-X_L, also increased pro-apoptotic protein Bax in T28 oral cancer cells.



Materials and Methods

Cell culture

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MTT assay

[3-(4,5-Dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltertrazolium-bromide]

Adherent cells in 24 well plates. Make a solution of 5 mg/ml MTT dissolved in PBS and filter sterile. Add 500 ul of MTT solution from step one to each well containing cells. Incubate the plate in a CO₂ incubator at 37 °C for 2 hours. Remove media with pipette. Add 500 ul of isopropanol to each well and pipette up and down to dissolve crystals. Transfer to plate reader and measure absorbance at 570nm.

Western blotting

The proteins of cell lysates were analyzed by 8%~12% SDS-PAGE, and proteins were transferred to nitrocellulose(or PVDF) by electrophoresis. Residual protein sites were blocked in Tween/Tris-buffer saline (TBS) containing 5% skin milk. The filters were incubated with primary antibodies in TBS plus 2.5% skin milk at recommended concentrations for 2h or at 4 °C overnight and incubated with secondary antibodies for 1h at room temperature. Antibody reaction was visualized with enhanced chemiluminescence (ECL) reagent for Western blotting.

Statistical analyses

Result were expressed as mean+SEM,and data were analyzed one-way ANOVA followed by Student's t test for significant difference. P-value<0.05 was considered statistically significant.

Results

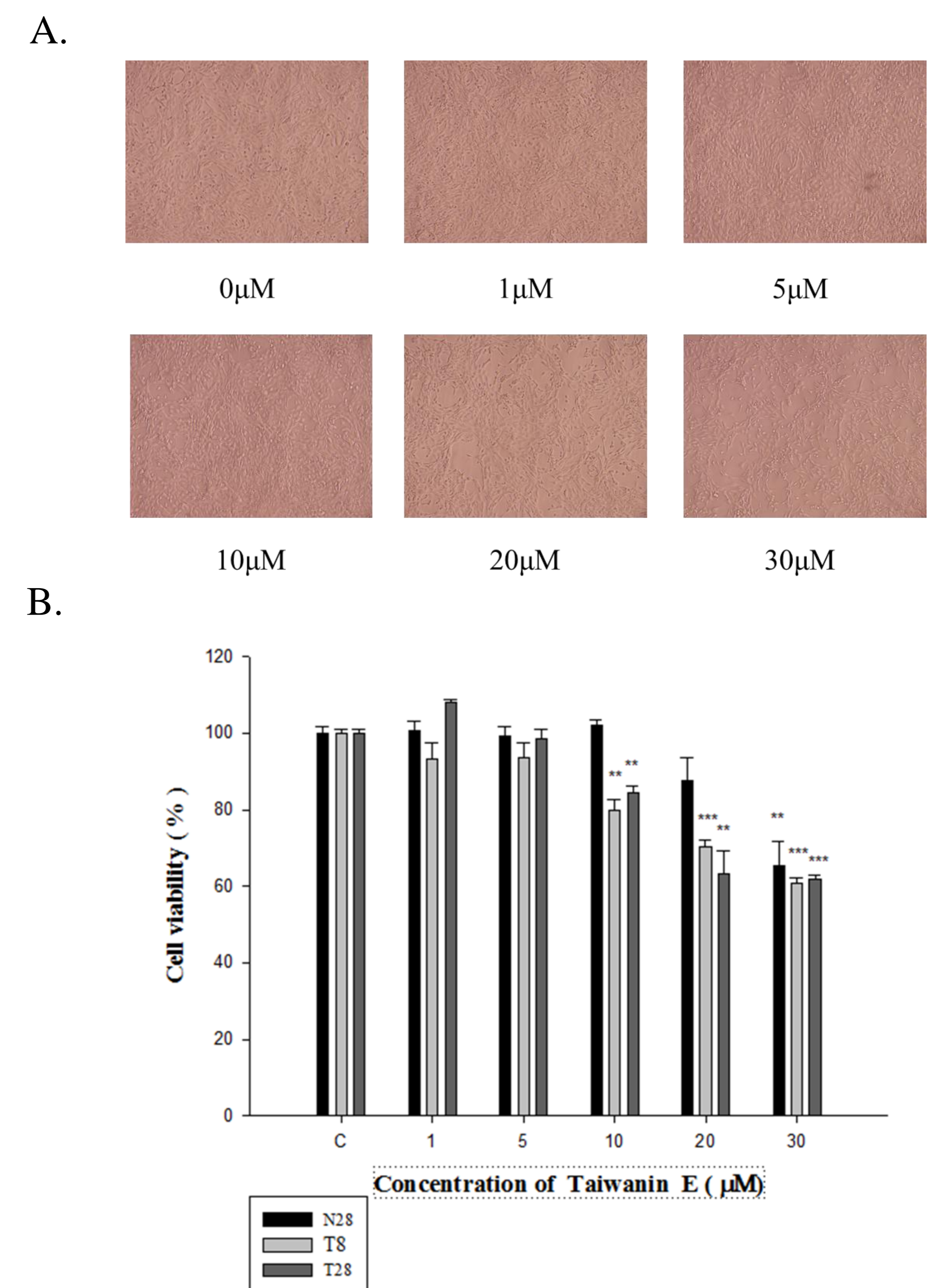


Fig.1 The anti-proliferative effect of Taiwanin E on oral cancer cells

(A) Representative photos to show the T28 oral cancer cell morphology after 24hr treated with Taiwanin E at 0,1,5,10,20 and 60μM individually
(B) Oral cancer cells was treated with different concentrations of Taiwanin E at 0,1,5,10,20 and 60μM individually

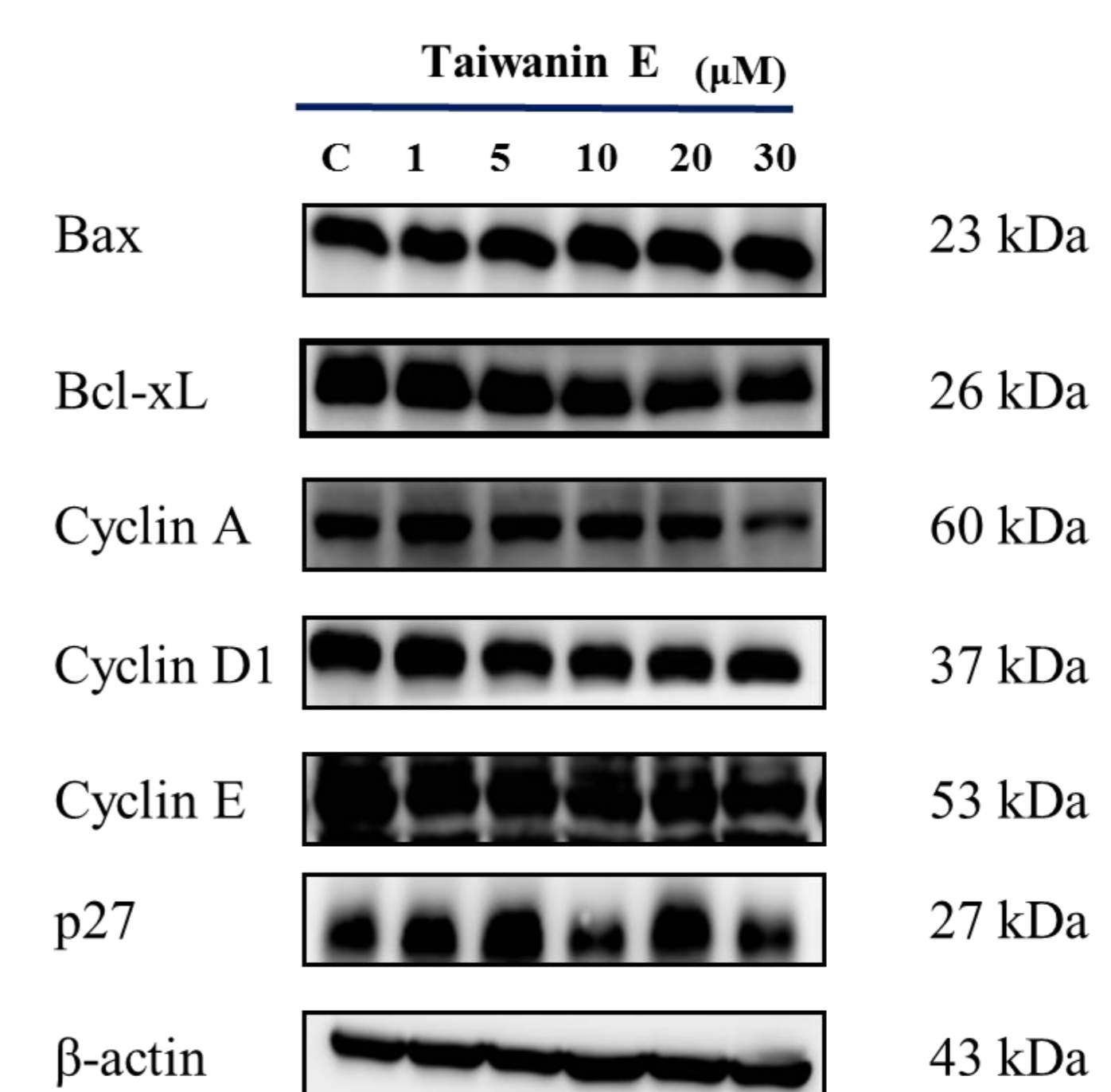


Fig.2 Effects of Taiwanin E on cell cycle arrest-associated protein and apoptosis-associated in oral cancer cells

T28 cells were treated with was treated with different concentrations of Taiwanin E at 0,1,5,10,20 and 60μM individually.

Summary

