

SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Supplemental Figure 1. Bone marrow-derived IL-37 protected mice from experimental

AP. (A) Representative images and quantitative analysis for immunohistochemically labeling of IL-37 in pancreata (n = 4 per group), scale bar= 50 μ m. **(B)** Schematic diagram of bone marrow transplantation from IL37tg and WT littermates to C57 WT recipients. AP was induced with CAE under SPF conditions for eight weeks (n = 6 per group). **(C)** H&E staining of pancreata at 24 hours. **(D)** Percentages of pancreatic cell death area. Serum amylase and lipase levels at 12 hours. Statistical comparisons were made using student t test or one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as $^{**}P < 0.01$ and $^{***}P < 0.001$.

Supplemental Figure 2. The protective effect of IL37 was observed when mice were

treated with caerulein at 50 μ g/kg. (A-B) WT and IL37tg mice were injected with CAE (50 μ g/kg, one-hour intervals, 10 times in total), and PBS was injected as control. **(A)** H&E staining of pancreatic tissues. **(B)** Percentages of pancreatic cell death area. Serum amylase, and lipase levels at 12 hours. **(C-D)** WT mice were injected with CAE and treated with rIL37 (5 μ g/kg, one hour after CAE injection). **(C)** H&E staining of pancreatic tissues. **(D)** Percentages of pancreatic cell death area. Serum amylase, and lipase levels at 12 hours. Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as $^{**}P < 0.01$ and $^{***}P < 0.001$.

Supplemental Figure 3. IL37 overexpression alleviated AP at 12h. (A) Timeframe of CAE

induced AP. (B) H&E staining of pancreata at 12 hours. **(C)** Percentages of pancreatic cell

death area. Serum amylase and lipase levels at 12 hours. Experiments were repeated three times. Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as *** $P < 0.001$.

Supplemental Figure 4 Quantitative analysis for IHC staining of CD68 and MPO in pancreatic tissues. (A) Quantitative analysis for IHC staining of CD68 and MPO from IL37tg and WT mice that were treated with or without TLCS (n = 4 per group). (B) Quantitative analysis for IHC staining of CD68 and MPO of IL37tg and WT mice that were treated with or without ARG (n = 4 per group). Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as *** $P < 0.001$.

Supplemental Figure 5. Administration with rIL37 at different time points protected against AP and this effect could be counteracted by pyroptosis inhibitor. C57BL/6J WT mice were injected with CAE to induce AP, rIL37 were administrated one, three, and six hours after the first CAE injection (n=6 per group). Moreover, GSDMD inhibitor disulfiram (DSF) were injected at 50 mg/kg. (A) H&E staining of pancreata at 24 hours. (B) Percentages of pancreatic cell death area. Serum amylase and lipase levels at 12 hours. Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, and *** $P < 0.001$. No statistical significance is denoted as *ns*.

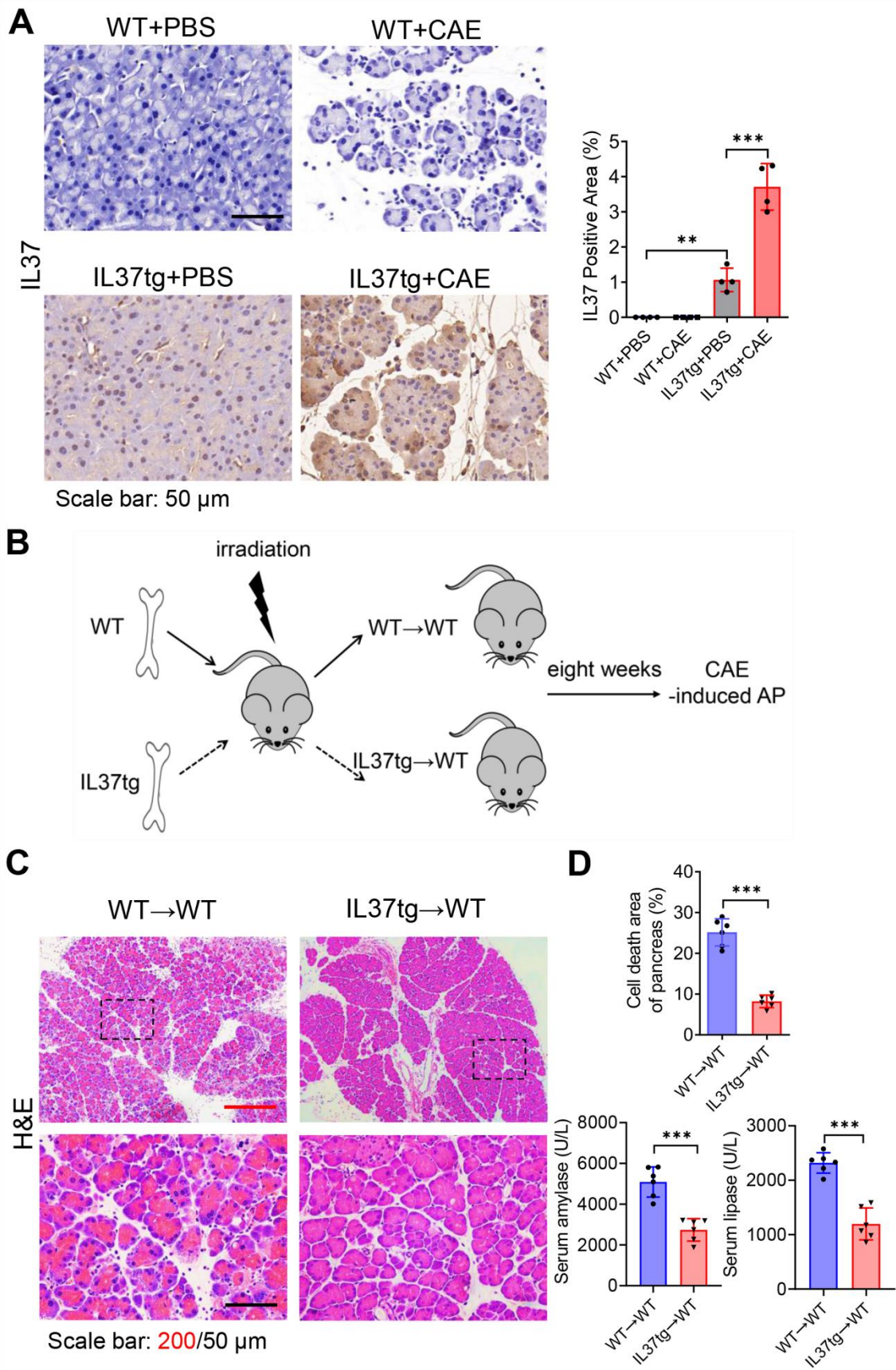
Supplemental Figure 6. Prophylactic administration with rIL37 reduced pancreatitis. The time dependency of the effect of rIL37 on AP progression, WT mice were randomly divided into PBS, CAE-induced AP model, and AP+rIL37 (5 μ g/kg, pre-one hour) prevention

groups. (A) H&E staining of pancreata at 24 hours. (B) Percentages of pancreatic cell death area. Serum amylase and IL-1 β levels at 12 hours. (n = 5–6 per group). Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as * P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01, and *** P < 0.001.

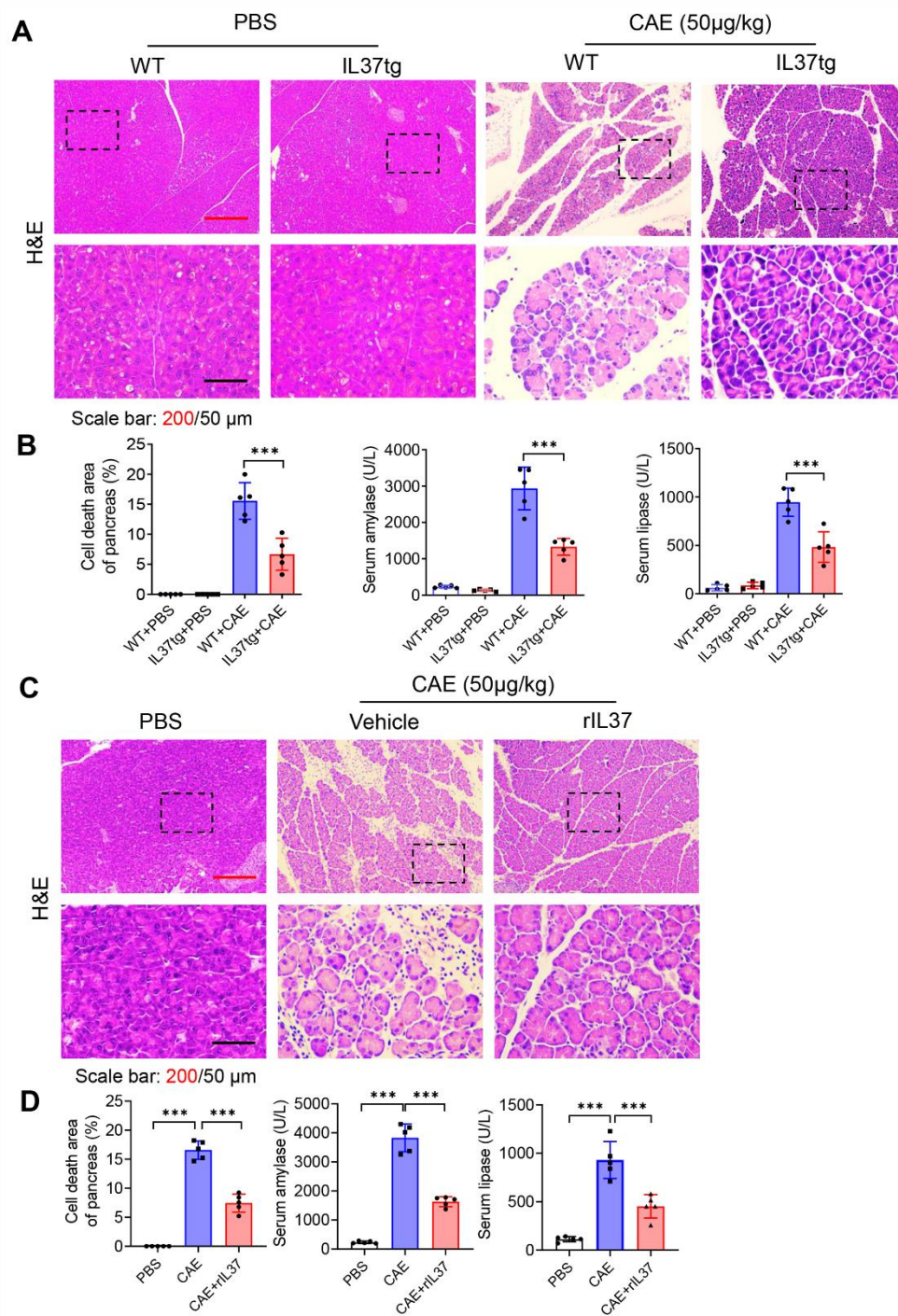
Supplemental Figure 7. IL37 rescued AP independent of autophagic or apoptotic pathway. (A-B) Western blot analyses and qualification of the expression of Beclin1, LC3B (II/I), Bax, and Bcl-2 in pancreatic tissues (n = 3 per group). Experiments were repeated three times. Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as * P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01, and *** P < 0.001.

Supplemental Figure 8. Western blot analysis of GSDMD expression in *Gsdmd*^{fl/fl} and *Pdx1*^{cre}*Gsdmd*^{fl/fl} mice. (A) Western blot analyses and qualification of the expression of GSDMD (pro- and cleaved-) in pancreatic tissues from *Gsdmd*^{fl/fl} and *Pdx1*^{cre}*Gsdmd*^{fl/fl} mice treated with or without caerulein (n = 3 per group). Statistical comparisons were made using one-way ANOVA. Data are presented as the mean \pm SD, and statistical significance is denoted as * P < 0.05, ** P < 0.01, and *** P < 0.001.

Supplemental Figure 1

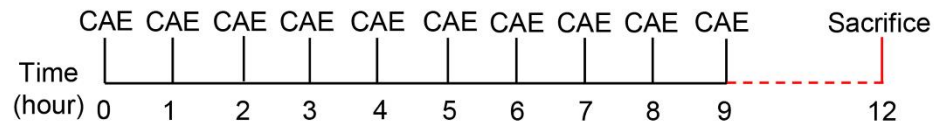


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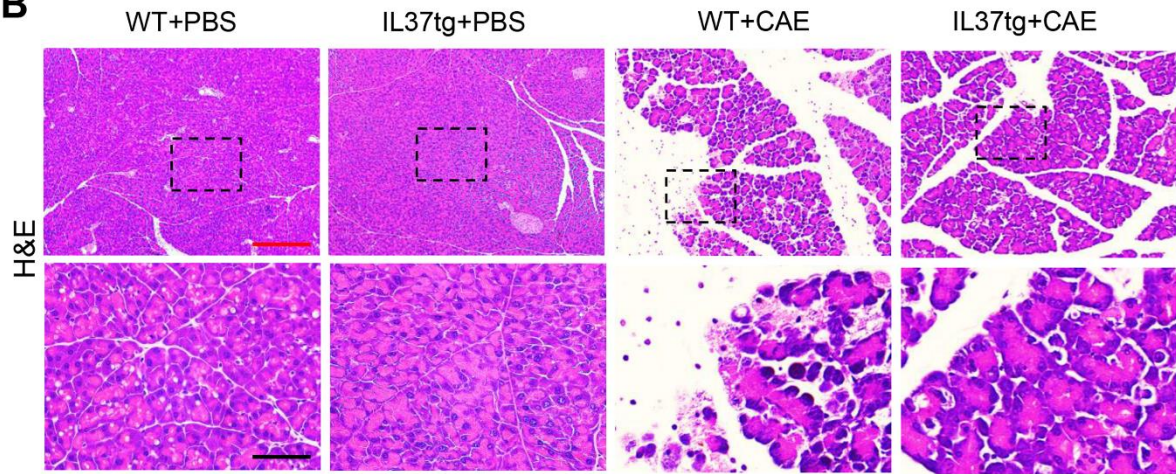


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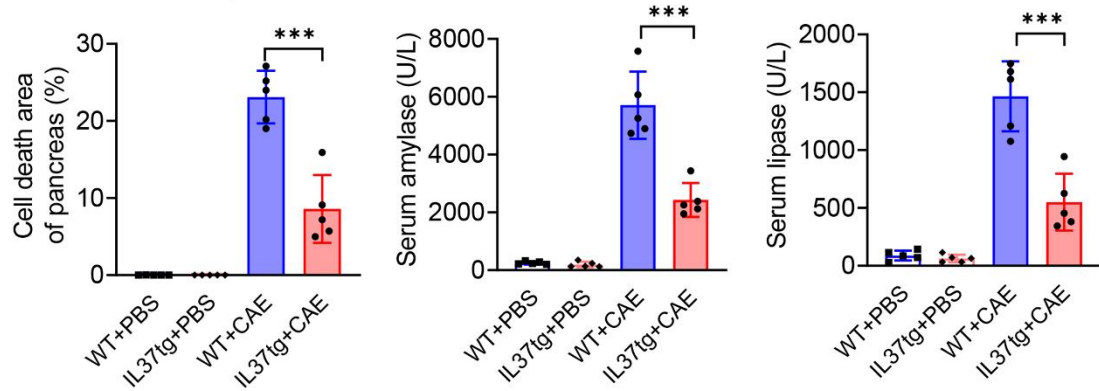
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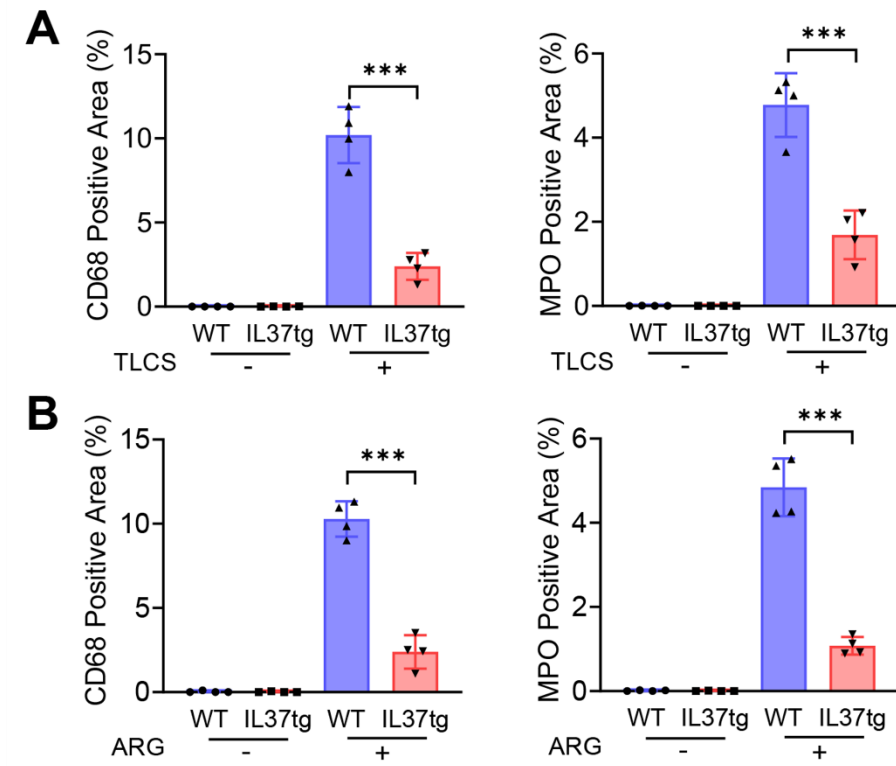
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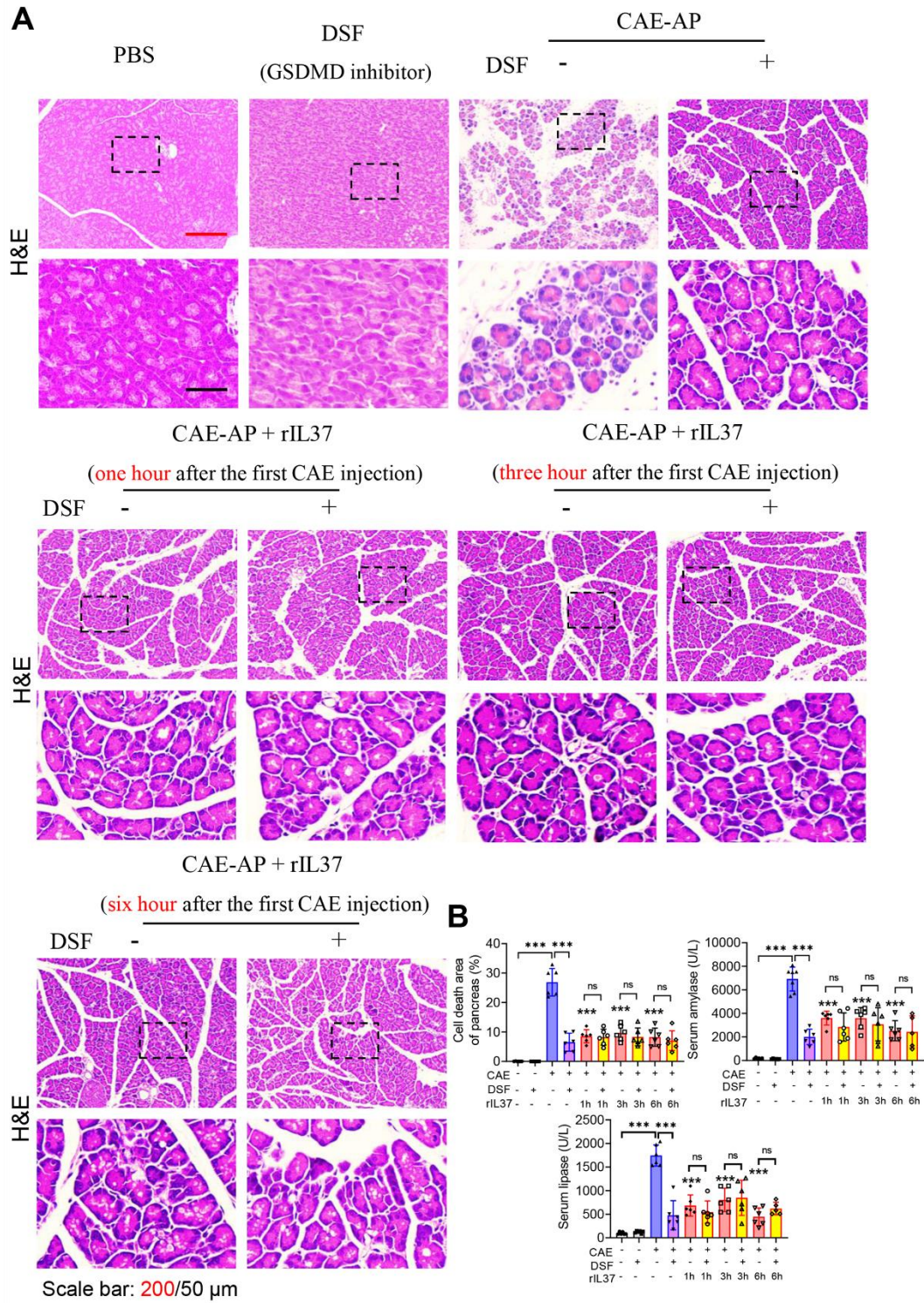
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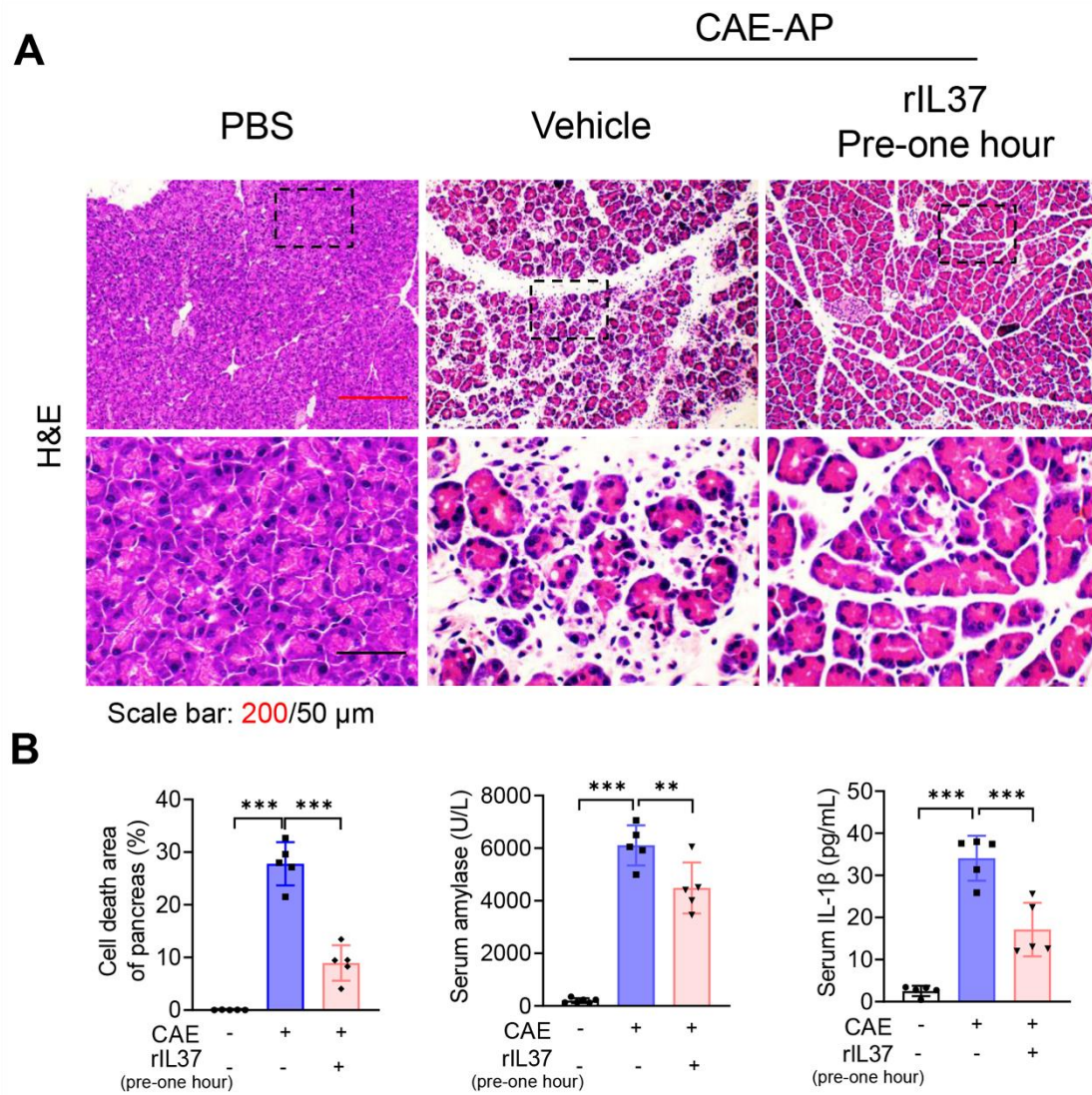
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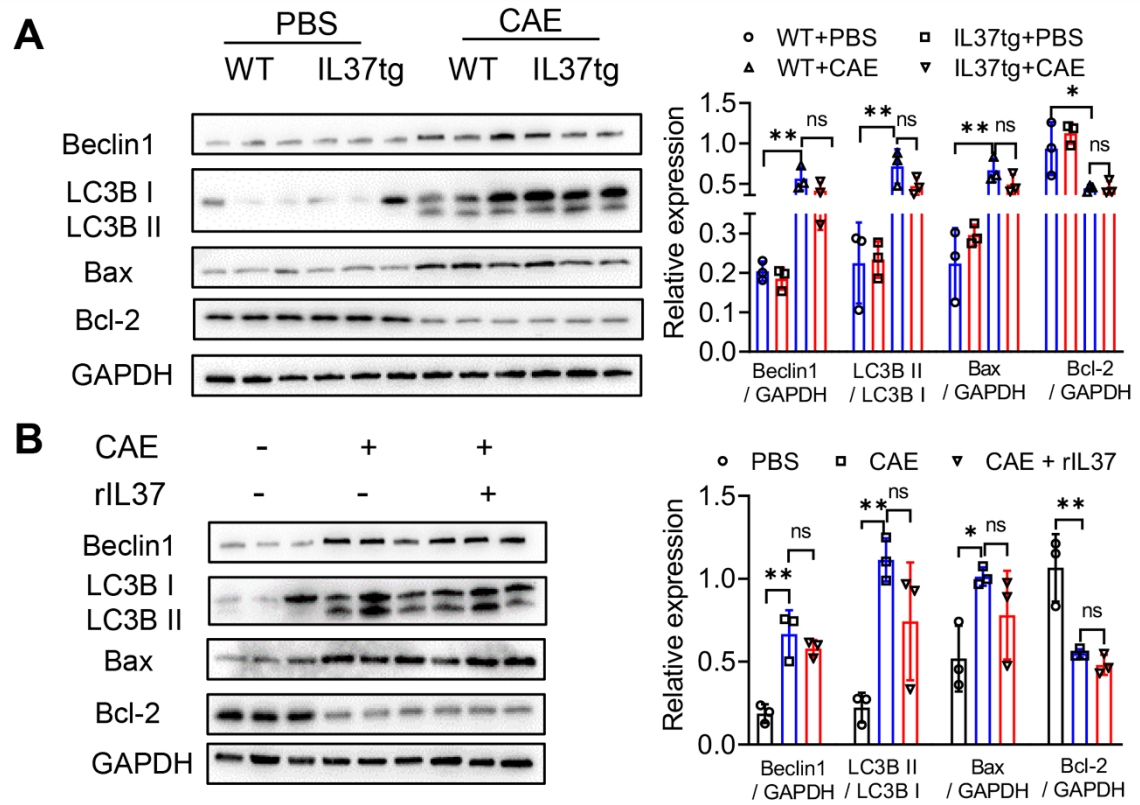
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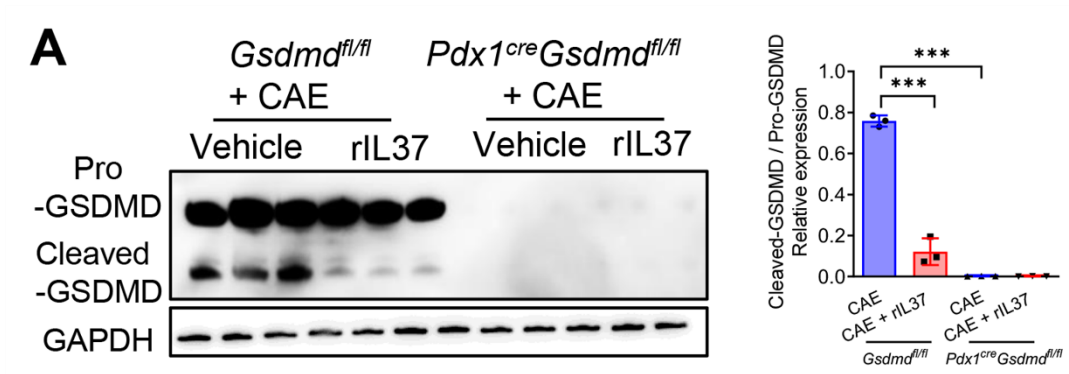
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Supplemental Figure 8



Supplemental Table 1 Univariate and multivariate analyses of risk factors for pancreatic necrosis in AP patients.

| Variables | Non-PN group | PN group | Univariate analysis | | Multivariable analysis | |
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| | N=34 | N=60 | P value | OR (95% CI) | P value | OR (95% CI) |
| Age, years | 42 ± 15 | 42 ± 12 | 0.942 | 1.00 (0.97-1.04) | | |
| Gender, Male | 23 (67.6%) | 47 (78.3%) | 0.256 | 0.58 (0.23-1.45) | | |
| BMI, kg/m ² | 25.49 ± 3.77 | 27.44 ± 3.88 | 0.044 | 1.16 (1.00-1.34) | 0.734 | 1.04 (0.84-1.27) |
| Smoking | 12 (35.3%) | 17 (28.3%) | 0.483 | 0.72 (0.29-1.78) | | |
| Drinking | 8 (23.5%) | 21 (35.0%) | 0.250 | 1.75 (0.68-1.56) | | |
| APACHE II | 4.5 (2-7) | 10 (7-14) | <0.001 | 1.36 (1.18-1.56) | 0.048 | 1.2 (1.00- 1.45) |
| CTSI score | 3 (2-4) | 7 (5.3-8) | <0.001 | 4.57 (2.34-8.89) | | |
| Laboratory indexes at admission | | | | | | |
| WBC, ×10 ⁹ /L | 9.48 (6.95-11.41) | 10.52 (8.24-13.18) | 0.074 | 1.12 (0.99-1.26) | 0.114 | 1.17 (0.96-1.44) |
| PLT, ×10 ⁹ /L | 167.27 ± 51.54 | 167.98 ± 69.96 | 0.958 | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) | | |
| HCT, % | 38.40 ± 5.40 | 33.90 ± 7.30 | 0.004 | 0.90(0.83, 0.97) | 0.071 | 0.90 (0.80-1.01) |
| Amylase, U/L | 123 (61, 255) | 144 (60, 266) | 0.257 | 1.00 (0.99-1.00) | | |
| Lipase, U/L | 408 (206, 1017) | 568 (216, 1098) | 0.996 | 1.00 (0.99-1.00) | | |
| LDH, U/L | 5.84 (4.27-7.65) | 17.79 (8.32-27.73) | 0.002 | 1.1(1.03-1.17) | 0.927 | 1.00 (0.96- 1.05) |
| CRP, mg/L | 120.30 ± 77.82 | 188.88 ± 69.74 | <0.001 | 1.01 (1.01-1.02) | 0.141 | 1.00 (0.99-1.02) |
| IL-6, ng/L | 38.84 (15.48-95.26) | 157.30 (66.14-300.05) | <0.001 | 1.01 (1.01-1.02) | 0.207 | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) |
| PCT, µg/L | 0.25 (0.09-0.94) | 1.09 (0.38-2.17) | 0.171 | 1.06 (0.98-1.16) | | |
| SCr, µmol/L | 53.25 (43.38-68.78) | 63.60 (52.00-91.18) | 0.067 | 1.01 (1.00-1.03) | 0.661 | 1.00 (0.99-1.01) |
| BUN, mmol/L | 4.25 (2.80-7.65) | 4.70 (3.43-7.33) | 0.889 | 1.01 (0.90-1.13) | | |
| IL-37, pg/ml | 81.49 (62.53-118.55) | 55.08 (51.42-58.59) | <0.001 | 0.92 (0.89-0.96) | 0.041 | 0.96 (0.93-0.99) |

Data are described as the mean ± SD, median (IQR), or n (%). SD, standard deviation; OR, odds ratio; CI, confidence interval; PN, pancreatic necrosis; BMI, body mass index; APACHE II, Acute Physiology and Chronic Health Evaluation II; CTSI, Computed Tomography Severity Index; CRP, C-reactive protein; PCT, procalcitonin; WBC, white blood cell; PLT, platelets; HCT, hematocrit; LDH, lactate dehydrogenase; SCr, serum creatinine; BUN, blood urea nitrogen.