

Supplementary Materials for

**A prebiotic inulin derivative-containing liposome for oral berberine
delivery improves the orthotopic colorectal cancer chemotherapy**

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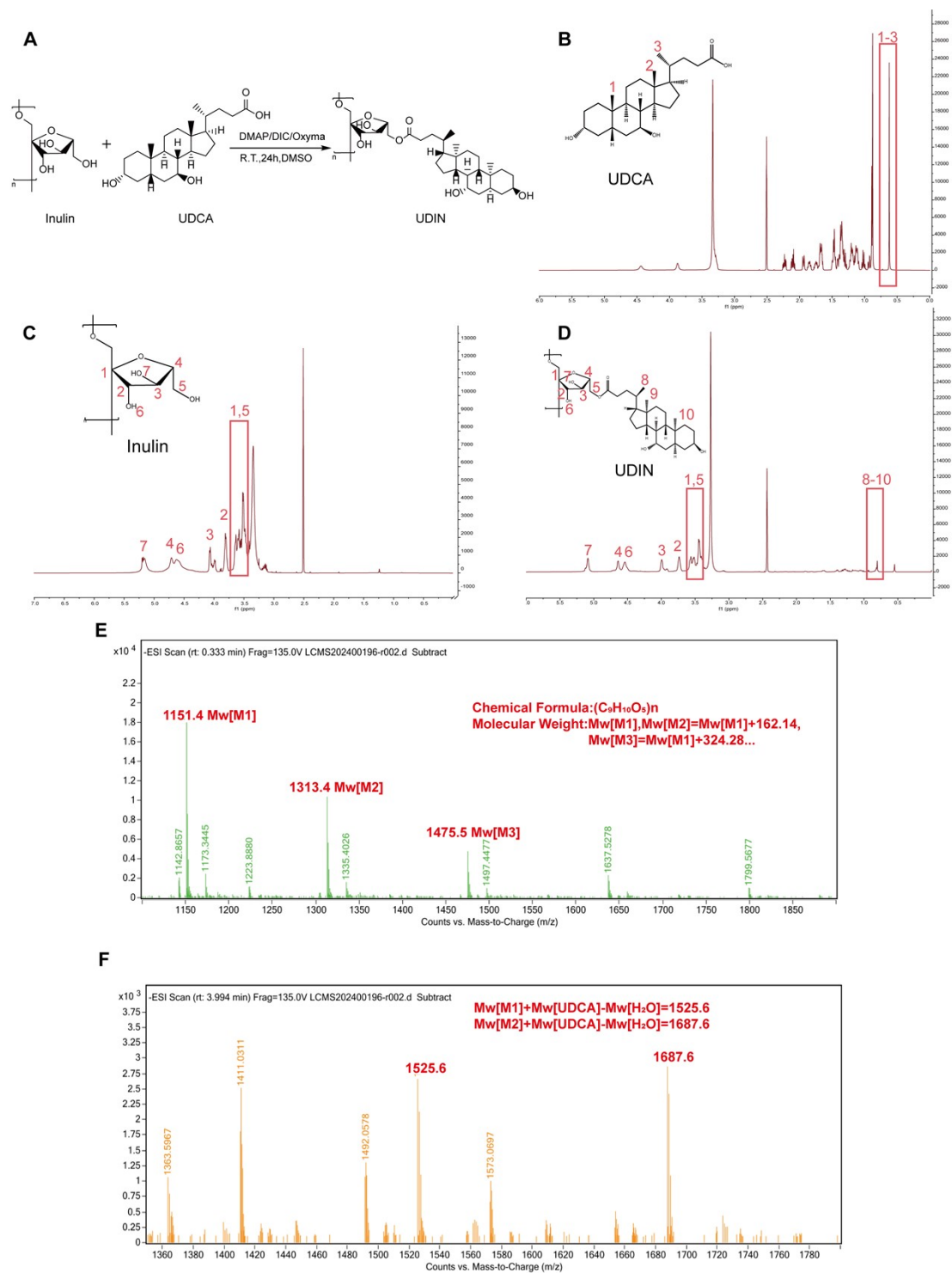
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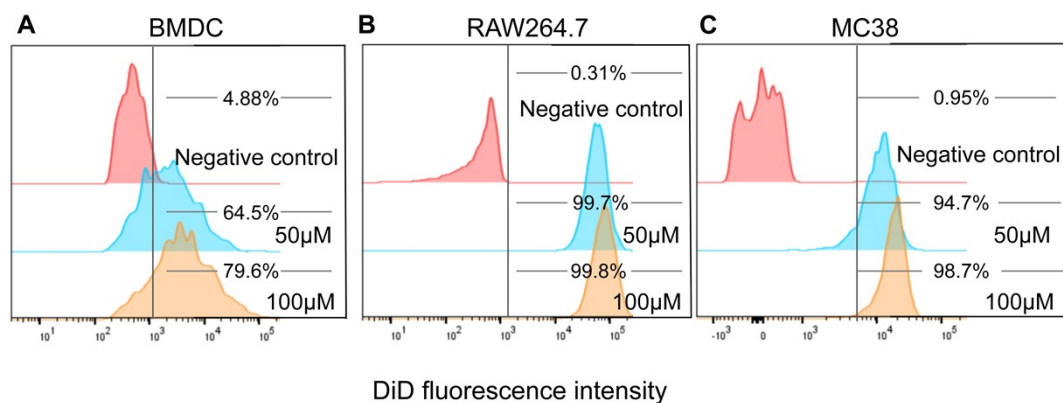
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 28 **Figure S1.** Synthesis and characterization of UDIN. (A) Synthesis flow chart. (B-D)
 29 ¹H NMR spectra of UDIN (B), IN (C), and UDCA (D). (E-F) LC/MS spectra of IN (E)
 30 and UDIN (F).

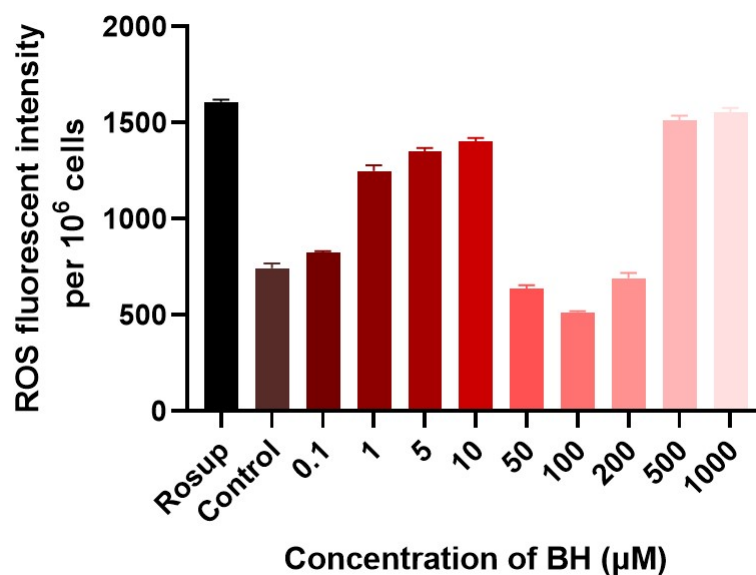


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36 **Figure S2. Cellular uptake efficiency of BLPN in different cells.** Intracellular
 37 fluorescence intensity of BMDC (A), RAW264.7 (B) and MC38 cells (C) incubated
 38 with BLPN for 4 h.

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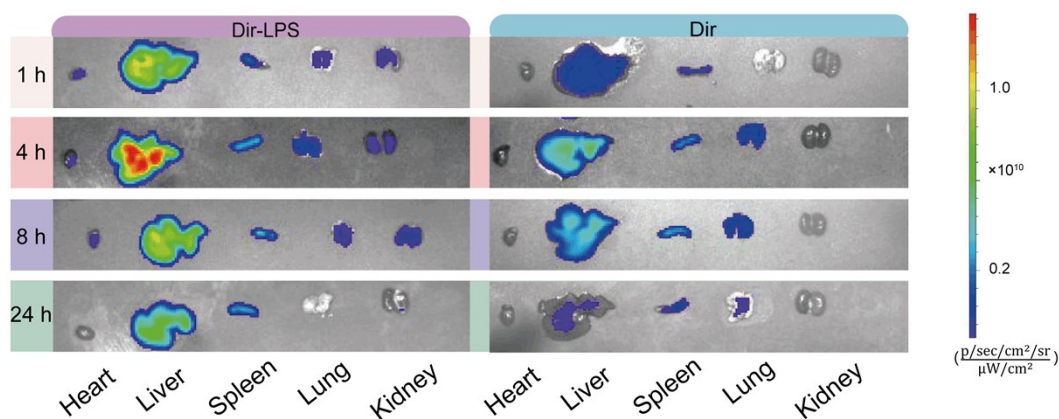
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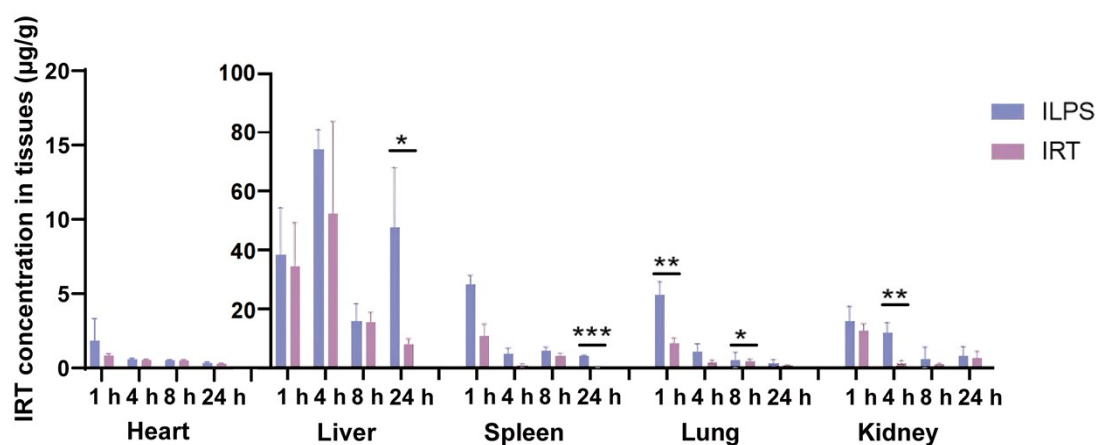
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42 **Figure S3. ROS fluorescent intensity in MC38 cells after treated with BLPN for 24 h.**

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45 **Figure S4.** Ex vivo fluorescence images of major organs (heart, liver, spleen, lungs,
46 kidneys) at different time after intravenous injection of free Dir and Dir-LPS in MC38
47 tumor-bearing mice.



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51 **Figure S5.** Concentrations of IRT in major organs at 1, 4, 8, and 24 h after
52 intravenous injection of free IRT and ILPS in MC38 tumor-bearing mice. Data are
53 presented as mean $\pm$ SD (n=3), * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001.

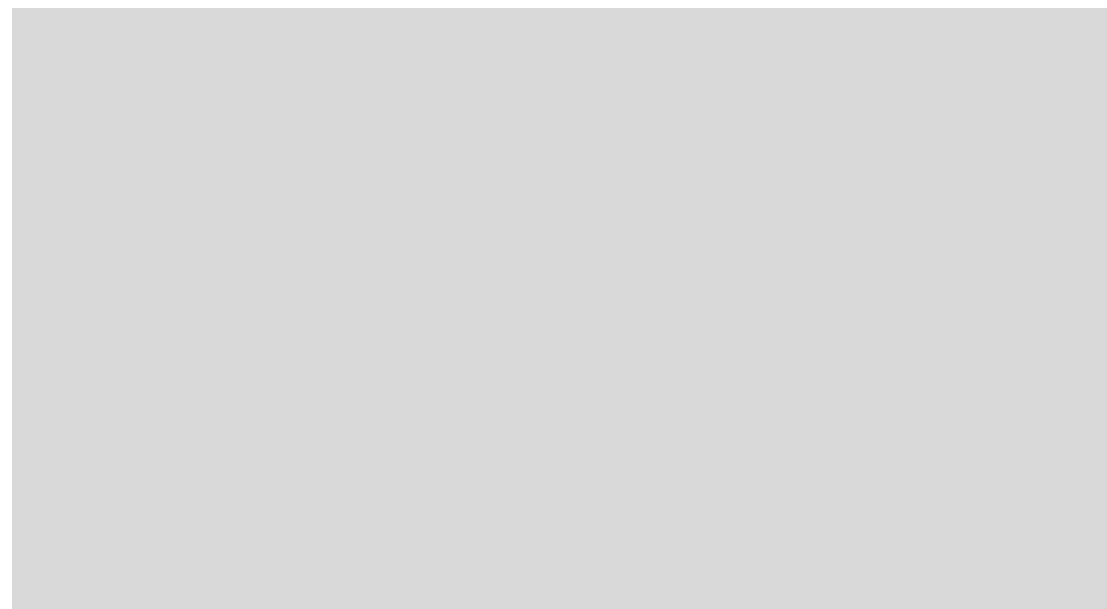
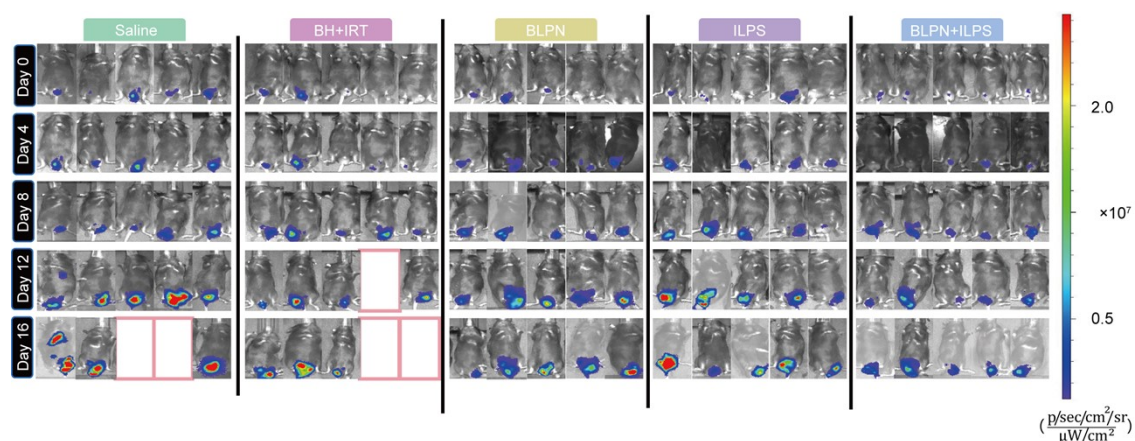
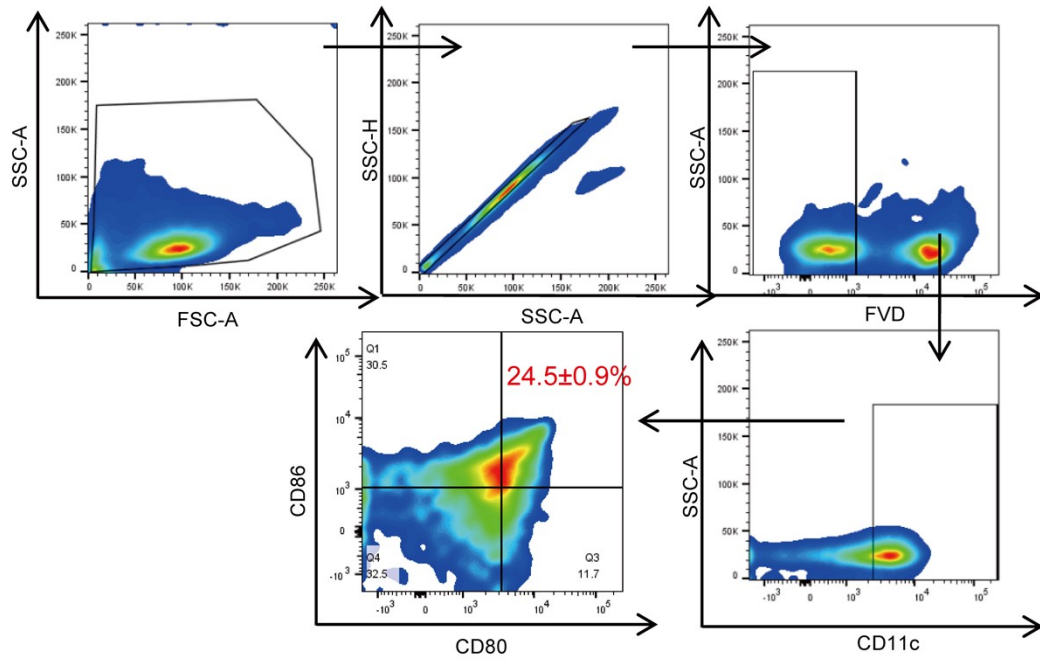
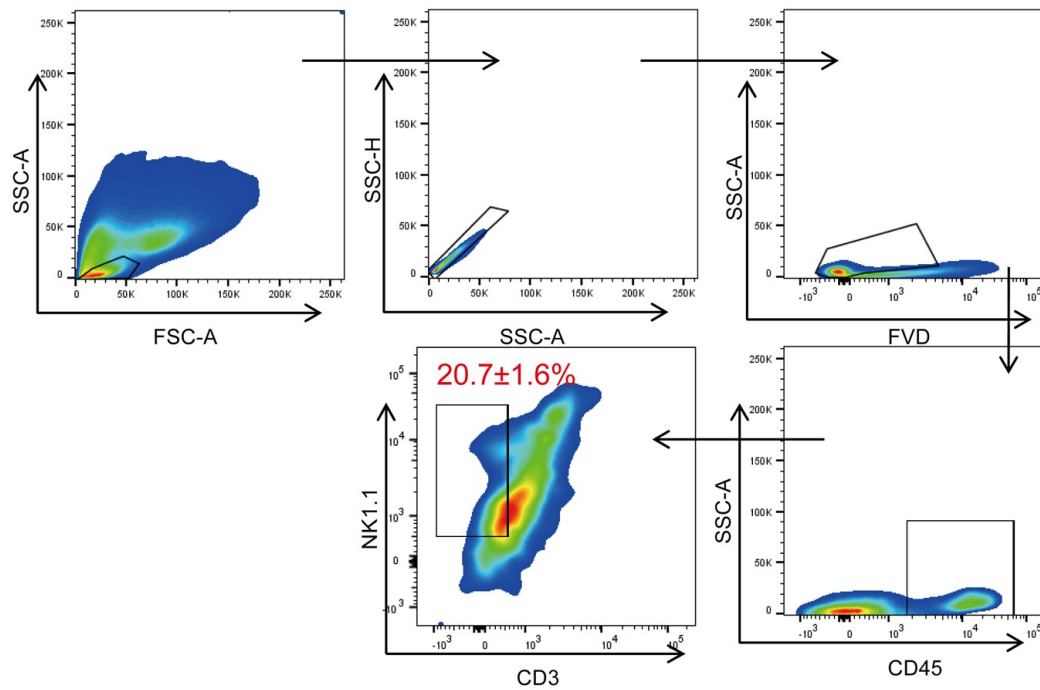


Figure S7. Individual tumor volume variation in MC38-luc tumor-bearing mice after receiving multiple doses of different formulations.



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 66 **Figure S8.** Gating strategies for mature DCs in tumor-draining lymph nodes in Fig.
 67 5A.



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 71 **Figure S9.** Gating strategies for NK cells in Fig. 5C.

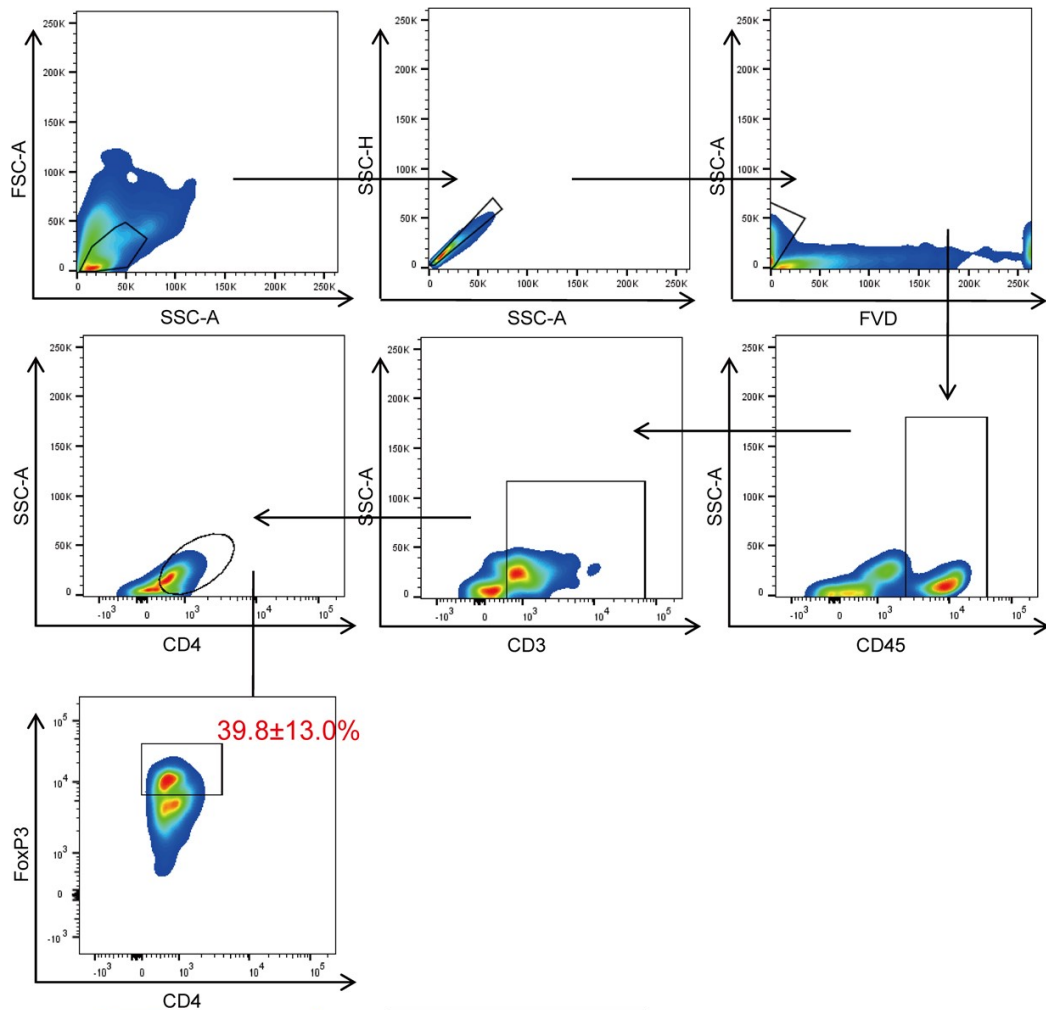


Figure S10. Gating strategies for Tregs in Fig. 5E.

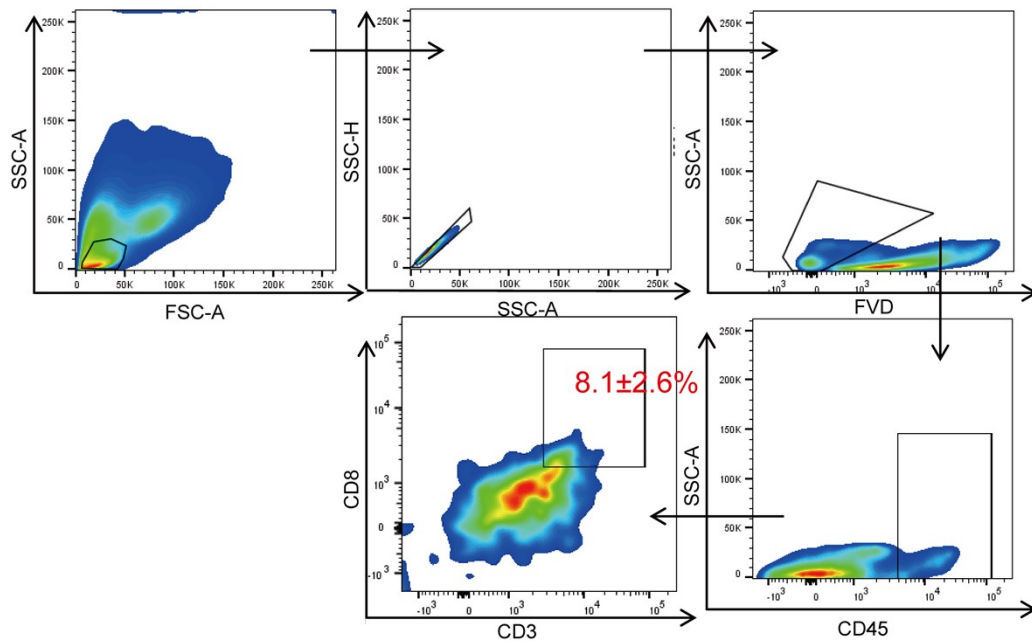


Figure S11. Gating strategies for CD8⁺ T cells in Fig. 5G.



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Figure S12. Gating strategies for TAMs in Fig. 5J.

80 **Table S1** IC₅₀ values of MC38 cells after treated with different formulations. For BH
81 and BLPN groups, IC₅₀ values of BH were shown; for ILPS and BLPN+ILPS groups,
82 IC₅₀ values of IRT were shown.

Treatment	IC ₅₀ (μM)
BH	242.7
BLPN	199.0
ILPS	7.697
BLPN+ILPS	45.36

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86 **Table S2** Pharmacokinetic parameters of orally administered free BH and BLPN in
87 healthy C57BL/6 mice

Parameter	BH	BLPN
T _{1/2} (h)	6.80018	49.4648
C _{max} (μg/mL)	2.92086	7.03145
MRT _{0-∞} (h)	10.6893	58.2786
AUC _{0-t} (h·μg/mL)	12.8873	29.6786
AUC _{0-∞} (h·μg/mL)	19.0751	70.5945

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91 **Table S3** Pharmacokinetic parameters of free IRT and ILPS administered
92 intravenously in healthy C57BL/6 mice

Parameter	IRT	ILPS
T _{1/2} (h)	0.721546	1.09939
MRT _{0-∞} (h)	0.852563	1.30939
AUC _{0-t} (h·μg/mL)	2.53227	6.22028
AUC _{0-∞} (h·μg/mL)	2.85718	6.64591

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98 **Table S4 The tumor inhibition rates and median survival time of all groups**

	Saline	BH+IRT	BLPN	ILPS	BLPN+ILPS
Tumor inhibition rate (%)	-	22.23	34.87	19.99	69.51
Median survival time (d)	13.00	17.00	18.00	15.00	38.00

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102 **Table S5** Blood routine parameters of healthy mice receiving multi-doses of different
 103 formulations. Data are presented as mean $\pm$ SD (n=3).

Group	RBC (10^{12} L^{-1})	WBC (10^9 L^{-1})	Gran (10^9 L^{-1})	MCV (fL)	RDW (%)	PLT (10^9 L^{-1})
Saline	7.3 $\pm$ 0.2	5.8 $\pm$ 3.0	1.0 $\pm$ 0.6	41.0 $\pm$ 3.4	16.3 $\pm$ 3.1	386.0 $\pm$ 6.0
BH+IRT	7.6 $\pm$ 0.2	2.3 $\pm$ 0.5	0.5 $\pm$ 0.2	39.1 $\pm$ 2.2	14.0 $\pm$ 0.2	392.0 $\pm$ 42.0
BLPN	8.2 $\pm$ 0.4	4.8 $\pm$ 1.2	1.3 $\pm$ 0.2	39.7 $\pm$ 0.2	13.1 $\pm$ 0.3	482.7 $\pm$ 47.7
ILPS	7.6 $\pm$ 0.7	3.3 $\pm$ 1.4	0.6 $\pm$ 0.5	38.7 $\pm$ 1.6	17.4 $\pm$ 4.6	502.3 $\pm$ 25.3
BLPN+ILPS	9.2 $\pm$ 1.5	5.4 $\pm$ 1.4	0.8 $\pm$ 0.3	39.9 $\pm$ 3.6	16.5 $\pm$ 6.2	685.0 $\pm$ 115.0

104 RBC: red blood cells;

PLT: platelets.

105 WBC: white blood cells;

106 GRAN: granulocytes;

107 MCV: mean corpuscular volume;

108 RDW: red cell distribution width;