

Supplementary Materials: Transfection with GLS2 Glutaminase (GAB) Sensitizes Human Glioblastoma Cell Lines to Oxidative Stress by a Common Mechanism Involving Suppression of the PI3K/AKT Pathway

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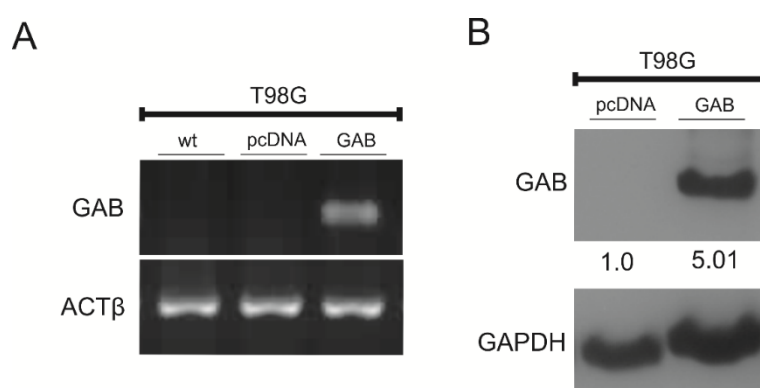


Figure S1. Analysis of GAB level in T98G cells wild-type (wt) or stably transfected with an empty pcDNA3 vector (pcDNA) or a pcDNA3 vector carrying GAB sequence (GAB). **(A)** GAB and ACTβ transcripts were determined by RT-PCR. **(B)** Protein levels of GAB and GAPDH in whole-cell lysates were determined by Western blot analysis. Rabbit anti-GLS2 antibody detecting both isoforms arising from GLS2 gene was used.

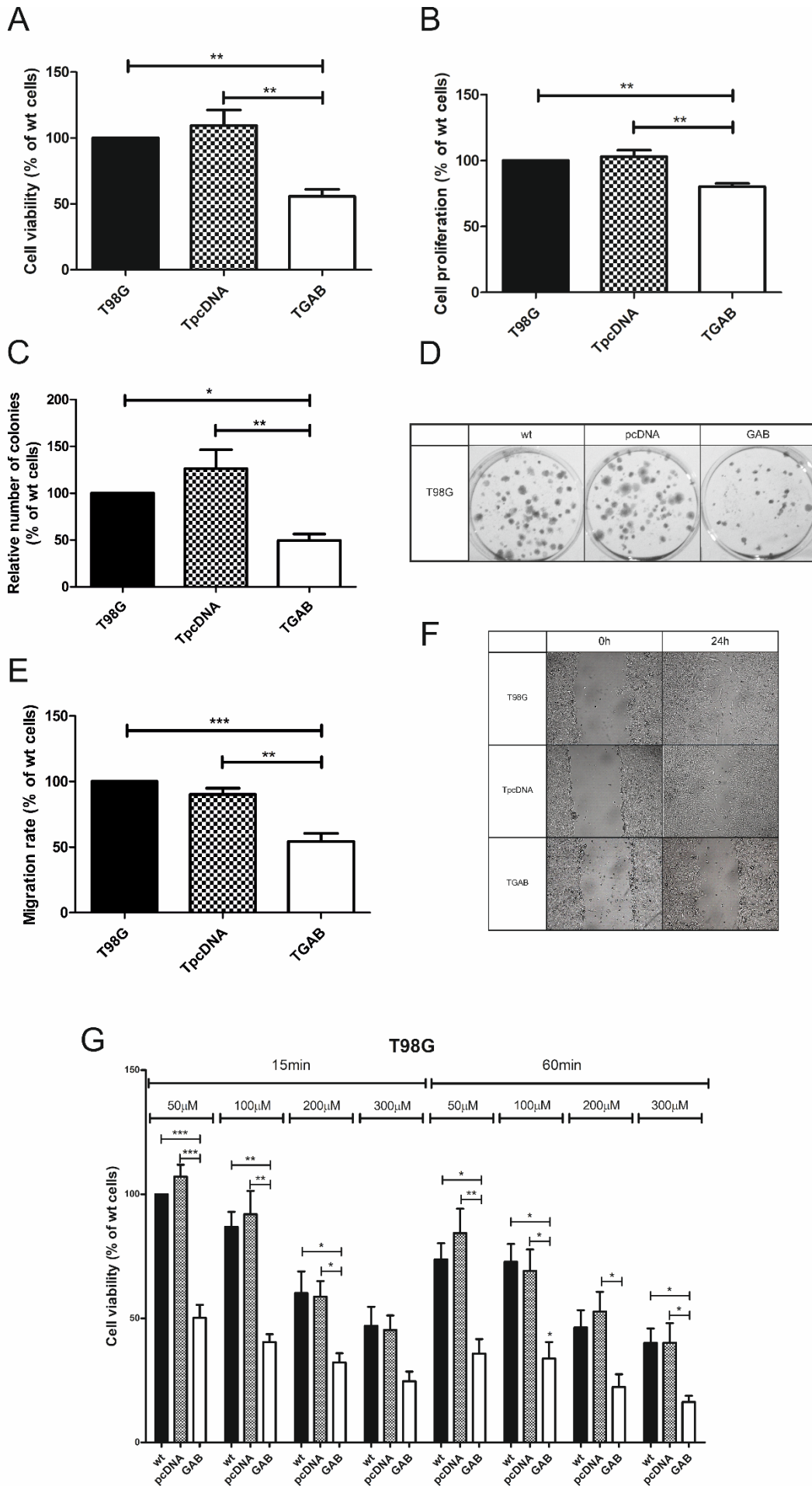


Figure S2. Transfection with GAB sequence reduces viability, proliferation, ability to form colonies and ability to migrate of T98G cells and enhances their sensitivity to H₂O₂. **(A)** Mitochondrial activity of wild type (wt) cells or cells stably transfected with the indicated plasmids was assessed by the MTT test 48 h after seeding. Results are mean ± SD (*n* = 4) expressed as a percentage of wt cells. ** *p* < 0.01 versus wt and pcDNA cells (one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test). **(B)** Cell proliferation of wt cells or cells stably transfected with the indicated plasmids was assessed by the BrdU assay 48 h after seeding. Results are mean ± SD (*n* = 4) expressed as a percentage of wt cells. * *p* < 0.05, ** *p* < 0.01 versus wt and pcDNA (one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test). **(C)** Colony formation 3 weeks after seeding. Number of colonies are represented as a percentage relative to the number of colonies formed by wt cells. Results are mean ± SD (*n* = 4). * *p* < 0.05, ** *p* < 0.01 versus wt and pcDNA cells (one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test). **(D)** Representative images of the plates with colonies formed within 3 weeks of growth. **(E)** The migration rate of wt cells or cells stably transfected with the indicated plasmids was measured by the wound-healing. Twenty four hours after seeding, the confluent cells were scratch-wounded with a micropipette tip. Wound borders were recorded and measured at 0 and 24 h post-scratching. Results are mean ± SD (*n* = 3) expressed as a percentage of the scratch gap observed for wt cells. ** *p* < 0.01, *** *p* < 0.001 versus wt and pcDNA cells (one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test). **(F)** Representative images of scratch gaps taken at 0 and 24 h after scratching. Magnification : objective 4x and digital 10x. **(G)** Transfection with GAB sequence sensitizes T98G cells to treatment with H₂O₂. Viability of wt cells or transfected with the indicated plasmids was measured by the MTT test treatment with 50–300 μM H₂O₂ for 15 min and 1 h. Results are mean ± SD (*n* = 4) expressed as a percentage of wt cells treated with 5 μM H₂O₂ for 15 min. * *p* < 0.05, ** *p* < 0.01, *** *p* < 0.001 versus wt and pcDNA (one-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's test).



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