ROS-Mediated Apoptotic Cell Death of Human Colon Cancer LoVo Cells by Milk δ-Valerobetaine

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Figure. S1. Effects of milk- δ VB on human non-malignant and colorectal adenocarcinoma cell viability. (a, b) CCD 841 CoN cells were treated with δ VB (up to 2 mM) and milk (up to 40 % v/v) for 24, 48-72h. HT-29 and LoVo cells were treated with (c, f) increasing concentrations of δ VB (up to 2 mM) and (d, e) milk (up to 40 % v/v) for 24-48 h. Control cells were grown in medium containing the same volume (% v/v) of HBSS-10 mM Hepes. Cell growth inhibition was assessed using MTT assay. Values represent the mean±SD of three independent experiments. **P*<0.05 *vs* Ctr.



Figure. S2. LoVo cell cycle alteration induced by milk-\deltaVB. The cropped blots are used in the main figure (Figure 2 c-f). Lane 1=Ctr; Lane 2=milk, Lane 3= δ VB, Lane 4= milk+ δ VB.



Figure. S3. Autophagy induced by milk-\deltaVB. (a) Representative cytofluorimetric analysis of Green detection reagent performed in untreated LoVo cells (Ctr) and rapamycin-treated cell, as positive control of autophagic process. (b) The cropped blots are used in the main figure (Figure 3d-g). Lane 1=Ctr; Lane 2=milk, Lane 3= δ VB, Lane 4= milk+ δ VB.



Figure. S4. Apoptotic mechanism. The cropped blots are used in the main figure (Figure 5c-h, n). Antibodies against Bax, Bcl-2 and SIRT6 (reported in the main Fig. 4) were blotted on the same filter and quantified by using the same loading control (α -tubulin). Lane 1=Ctr; Lane 2=milk, Lane 3= δ VB, Lane 4= milk+ δ VB. The cropped blots used in the main figure (Figure 5m). Lane 1=Ctr; Lane 2=milk+ δ VB, Lane 2=Z-LEHD-FMK +milk+ δ VB.



Figure. S5. Evaluation of redox homeostasis. Representative cytofluorimetric analysis of (**a**) DCFH-DA and (**b**) MitoSox assays performed in untreated LoVo cells (Ctr) and menadione-treated cells, as positive control of intracellular and mitochondrial ROS generation. (**c**) Representative confocal images performed by 63X oil immersion objective of time-line (12, 24, 48, 72 h) mitochondrial ROS generation from milk (40% v/v), δ VB (2 mM), milk+ δ VB, or HBSS-10 mM Hepes (40% v/v) (Ctr) treated LoVo cells. Scale bars= 50 µm. (**d**, **e**) Representative FACS analysis and bar graph of DCFH-DA staining performed in CCD 841 CoN cells after 72 h of treatment with 40% v/v buffalo milk (milk), δ VB (2 mM) and milk supplemented with δ VB (milk+ δ VB).



Figure. S6. The cropped blots are used in the main figure (Figure 7). (a) Lane 1=Ctr; Lane 2=milk, Lane $3=\delta VB$, Lane 4= milk+ δVB . Lane 1= Ctr, Lane 2= Vehicle, Lane 3= Scramble, Lane 4= SIRT6-siRNA. (b, c) Lane 1= Ctr, Lane 2= milk+ δVB , Lane 3= SIRT6-siRNA+ milk+ δVB .