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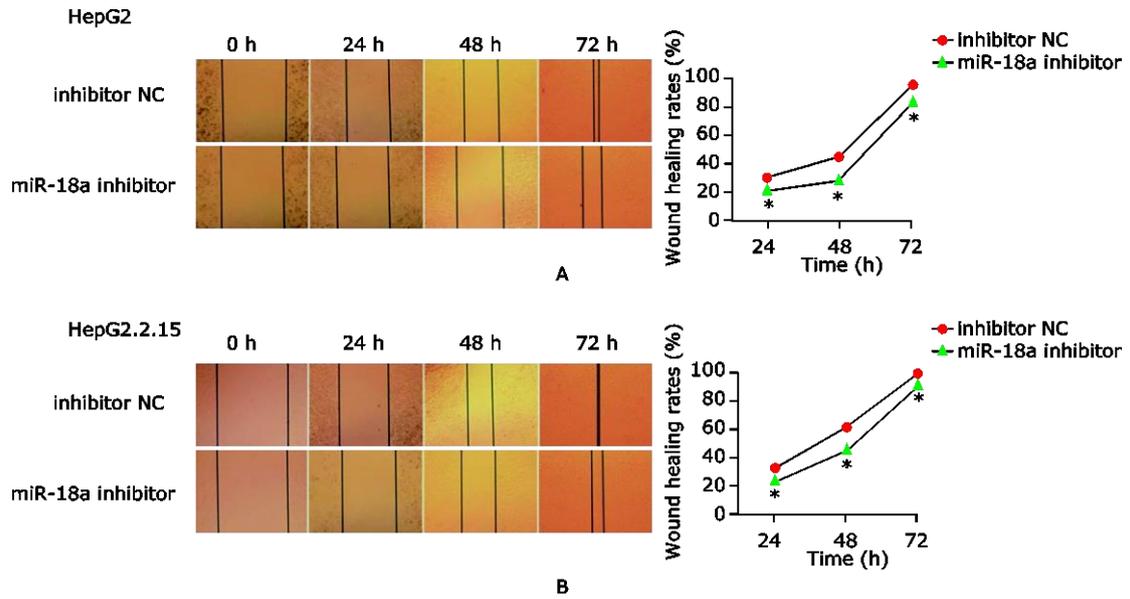


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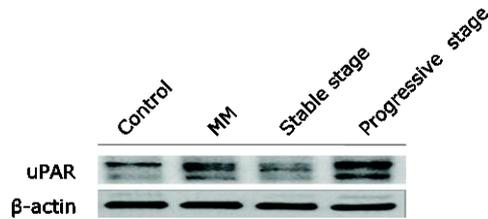


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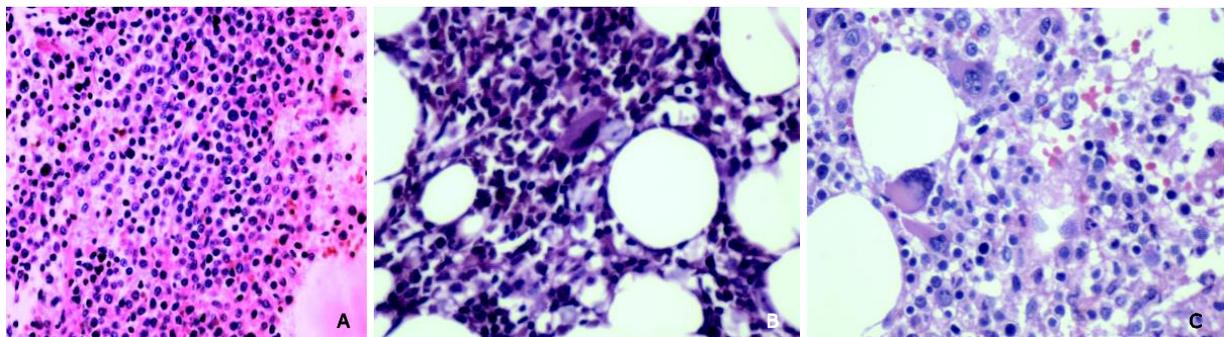


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Positive

Perineural invasion

Negative

Positive

Histopathologic grade

Well/moderate

Poor

Clinical stage (AJCC)

I

II-IV

AJCC: American Joint Committee on Cancer, 7th edition.