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Supplemental Information

Tumor-Derived Ligands Trigger

Tumor Growth and Host Wasting

via Differential MEK Activation

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Supplemental Figure and Table Legends

Supplemental Figure 1. Host wasting in *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies, related to

Figure 1 and 2. (A-D) TAG (**A**), glucose (**B**), and trehalose levels (**C**) (n=3, 30 flies/group), and climbing speeds (**D**, n=60) in *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies. Thorax muscle degenerative phenotypes (**E**) protein amounts (**F**, n=3, 30 flies/group), muscle protein synthesis (**G**, left, n=3, 30 flies/group) and degradation rates (**G**, right, n=3, 30 flies/group), and of *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies at day 8. (**H**) TAG levels of indicated flies after 8 days at 29°C (n=3, 30 flies/group). (**I**) Lipolysis rates of fat bodies, isolated from indicated flies at 29°C at day 6, with or without Tram treatment (n=3, 30 abdomens/group). (**J-K**) TAG levels (**J**, n=3, 30 flies/group) and climbing speeds (**K**, n=60) of flies bearing *yki^{3SA}*-gut tumors with dERK-RNAi (*esg-GAL4, UAS-GFP, tub-GAL80^{TS} /+; UAS-yki^{3SA}/UAS-dERK-RNAi*). (**L-N**) Appearance (**L**, up), midgut ISCs (**L**, down), TAG levels (**M**, n=3, 30 flies/group) and climbing speeds (**N**, n=60) of flies with dERK^{SEM} overexpression in ISCs (*esg-GAL4, UAS-GFP, tub-GAL80^{TS} /UAS-dERK^{SEM}*). Data are presented as means ± SEM. * p < 0.05.

Supplemental Figure 2. Pharmaceutical MEK inhibition in host tissues improves

***yki^{3SA}* tumor-induced systemic wasting, related to Figure 2. (A-B)** Protocol used for feeding *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies with Tram after tumor induction (**A**) and schematic MEK suppression by Tram (**B**). (**C-M**) Phenotypes of systemic wasting in *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies (*esg-GAL4, UAS-GFP, tub-GAL80^{TS} /+; UAS-yki^{3SA}/+*) at day 8: bloating phenotypes (**C**, up), gut tumor phenotypes (**C**, middle), muscle degenerative phenotypes (**C**, down), MEK activation in the fat body and muscle (**D**), bloating rates (**E**,

n=3, 60 flies/group), climbing speeds (**F**, n=60), lipid storages (**G**, n=3, 30 flies/group), trehalose and glucose levels in the hemolymph (**H**, **J**, n=3, 60 flies/group) and whole fly (**I**, **K**, n=3, 30 flies/group), and lifespan (**L** and **M**, n=120). (**N**) Midgut phenotypes of *yki^{3SA}*-tumor-bearing flies, which were treated with Tram from day 4, at day 30. Data are presented as means \pm SEM. * $p < 0.05$.

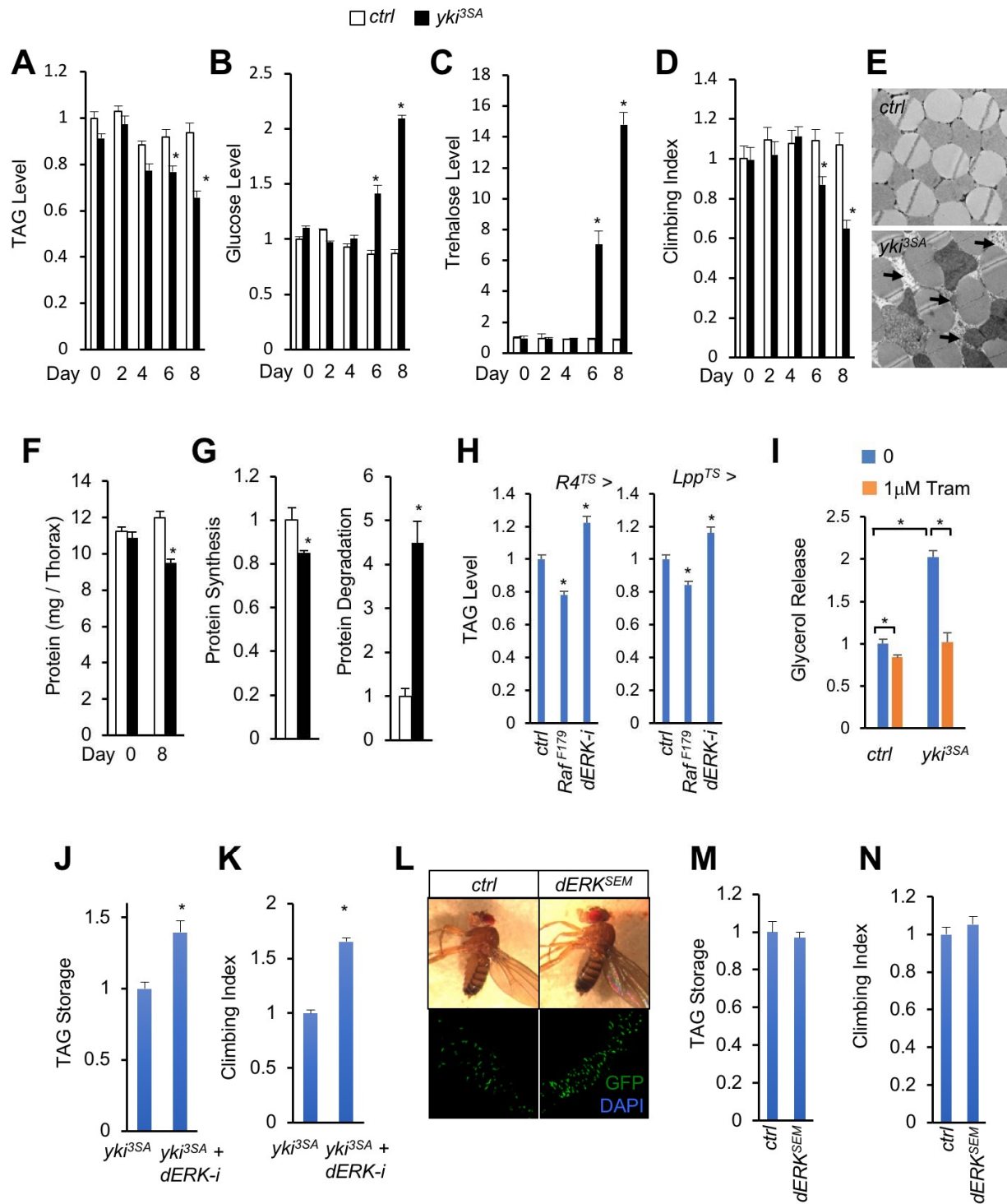
Supplemental Figure 3. Pharmaceutical MEK inhibition in host tissues only improves *yki^{3SA}+dERK^{SEM}* tumor-induced systemic wasting, related to Figure 2 and 3. (**A-B**) Appearances (**A**, up), midgut morphology (**A**, down), lipid and trehalose storage (**B**, n=3, 30 flies/group), and climbing speed (**B**, n=60) of control flies treated with Tram from day 0. (**C-E**) Bloating (**C**, up) and gut tumor (**C**, down), ERK activation in the fat body and muscles (**D**), TAG storage and trehalose levels (**E**, n=3, 30 flies/group), and climbing speed (**E**, n=60) of *yki^{3SA}+dERK^{SEM}*-tumor-bearing flies at day 8 that were treated with PD from simultaneously with tumor induction. (**F**) Heat map indicating differentially expressed genes that encode trypsins (up) and gut hormones (down) in *yki^{3SA}* midguts. (**G-I**) Midgut phenotypes (Pros⁺ cells) and appearances (**G**), wasting phenotypes including TAG and trehalose (**H**, n=3, 30 flies/group) levels and climbing speed (**H**, n=60), and survival rates (**I**, n=120) of indicated flies. Genotype for *N^{intra}* is *esg-GAL4, UAS-GFP, tub-GAL80^{TS}/UAS-N^{intra}*. (**J**) Midgut *Pvf1* mRNA levels of flies bearing *yki^{3SA}* or *yki^{3SA}+dERK^{SEM}* tumors at day 8. (**K-M**) Midgut (**K**, left, n=3, 30 guts/group) and head (**K**, right, n=3, 30 heads/group) mRNA levels, *Ilp2* levels in IPCs (**L**), and food intake (**M**, n=4, 80 flies/group) of *yki^{3SA}+dERK^{SEM}* tumor-bearing flies (*esg-GAL4, UAS-GFP, tub-GAL80^{TS}/UAS-dERK^{SEM}; UAS-yki^{3SA}/+*) at day 8 that were fed 10

μM Tram simultaneously with tumor induction. **(N)** Midgut *ImpL2* mRNA levels in flies bearing *yki*^{3SA} tumors with RNAi at day 10 (n=3, 30 guts/group). Data are presented as means \pm SEM. * $p < 0.05$.

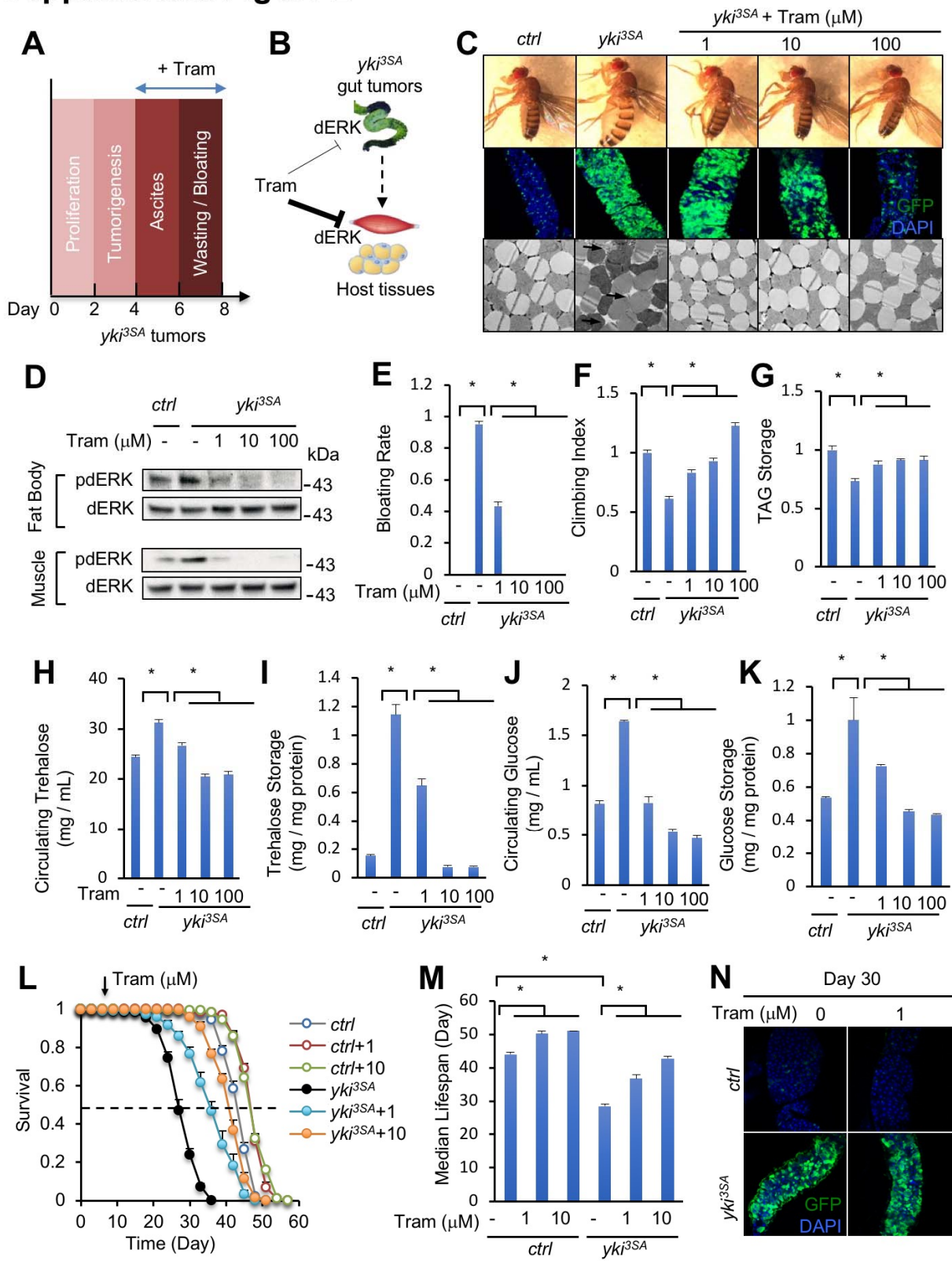
Supplemental Figure 4. MEK inhibition alleviates mammalian myotube atrophy

and lipolysis, related to Figure 2 and 3. (A) MEK/ERK activation in differentiated C2C12 myotubes (day 5) treated with LLC conditioned differentiation medium (3:1 diluted with fresh differentiation medium) at different time points (up) or with conditioned differentiation medium plus Tram for 1h (down). **(B-E)** Gene expression **(B, n=3)**, protein degradation rates **(C, n=3)**, myotube diameters **(D, n=30, quantification of myotube images)**, and myotube morphologies **(E)** in C2C12 myotubes (day 5) treated with LLC conditioned differentiation medium with or without 0.1 μM trametinb for 24h. **(F)** MEK/ERK activation in differentiated 3T3-L1 adipocytes (day 10) treated with LLC conditioned growth medium (3:1 diluted with fresh growth medium) at different time points (up) or with conditioned growth medium plus Tram for 1h (down). **(G)** Lipolysis rates in 3T3-L1 adipocytes (day 10) treated with control or LLC-conditioned growth medium for 24h and then treated with 0.1 μM Tram for 1h (n=3). **(H-I)** Lipid storages **(H, n=3)** and lipid staining **(I)** in 3T3-L1 adipocytes (day 10) treated with LLC-conditioned growth medium with or without 0.1 μM Tram for 24h. Data are presented as means \pm SEM. * $p < 0.05$.

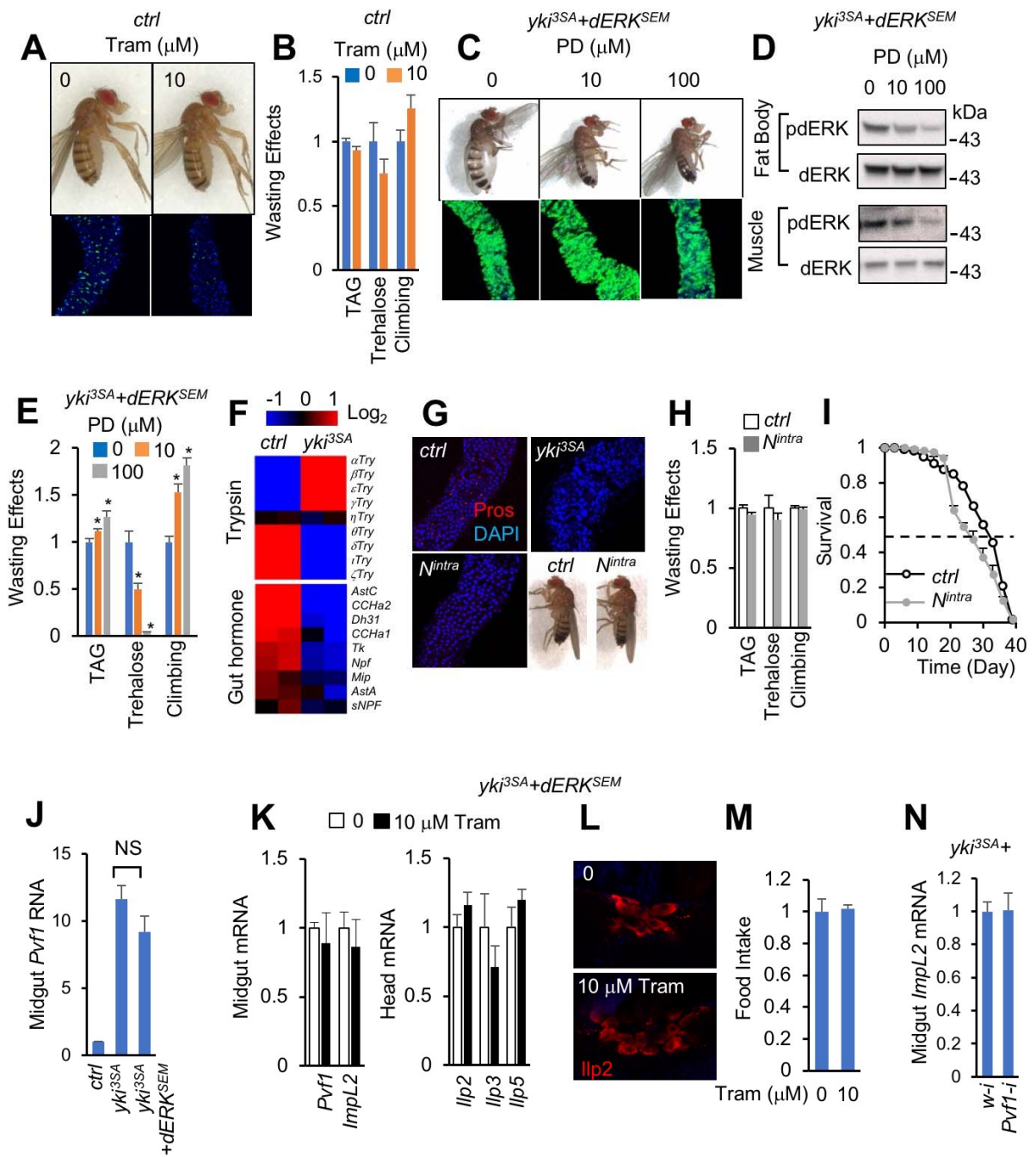
Supplemental Figure 1



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