

Supplementary Information

Vimentin activation in early apoptotic cancer cells errands survival pathways during DNA damage inducer CPT treatment of colon carcinoma model

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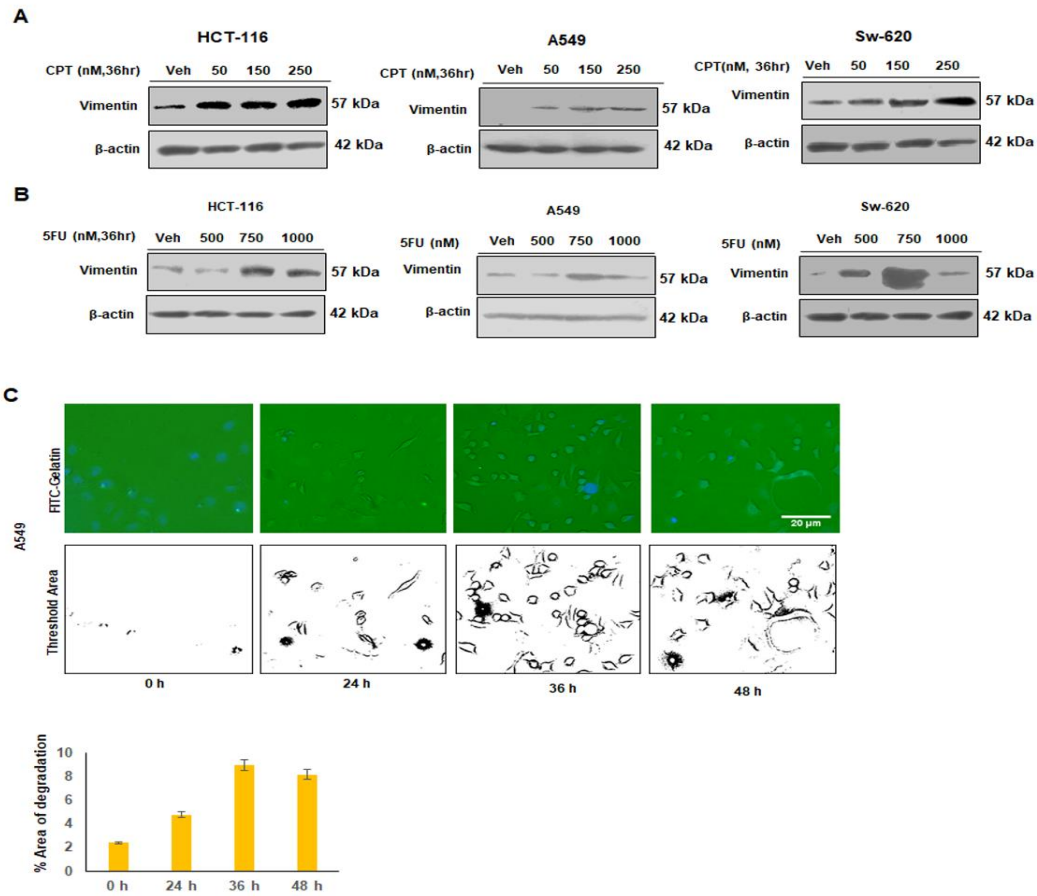
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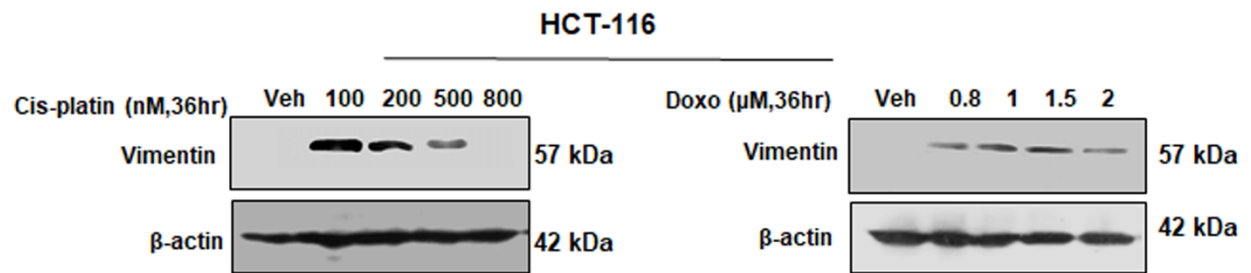
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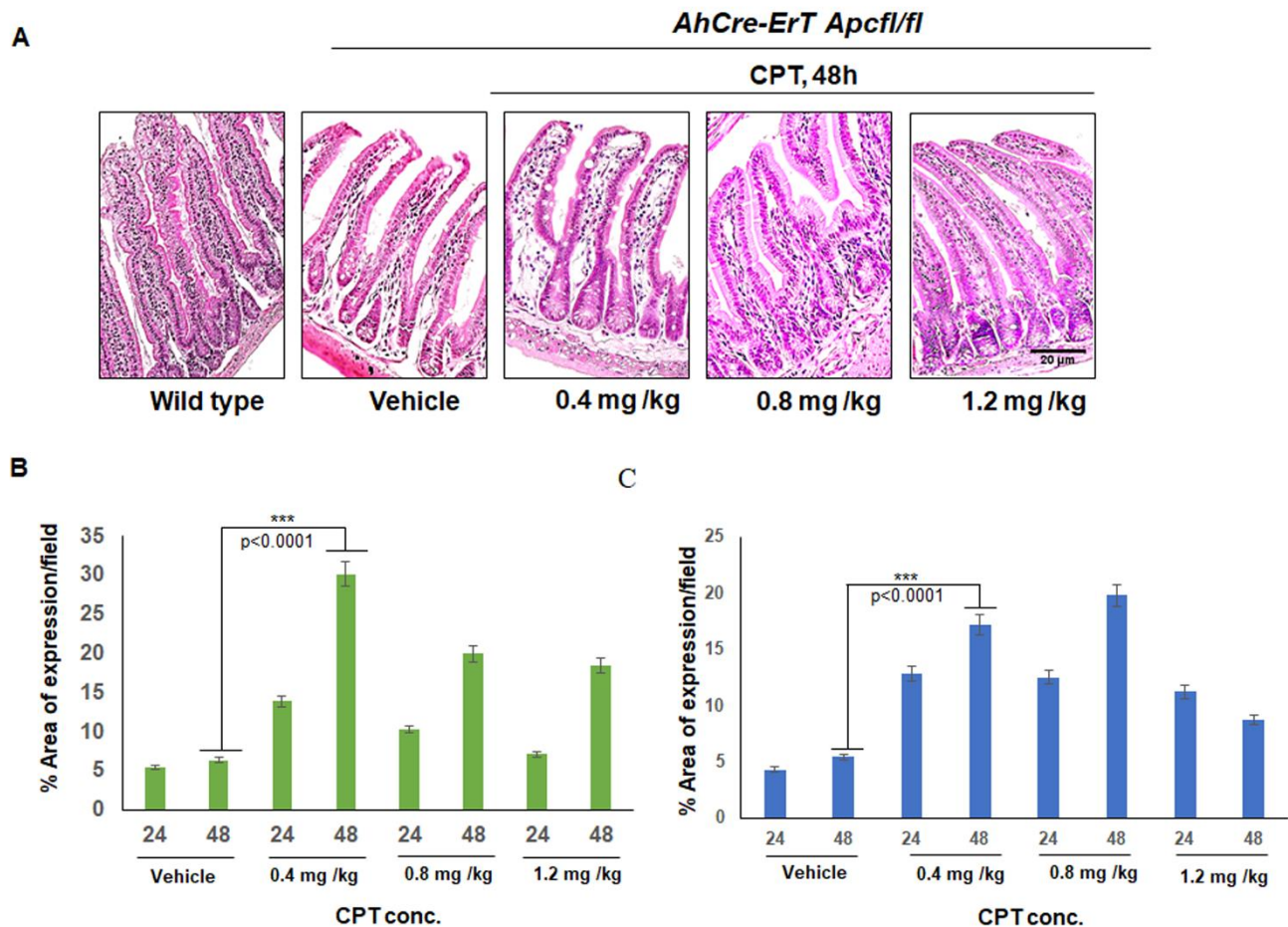
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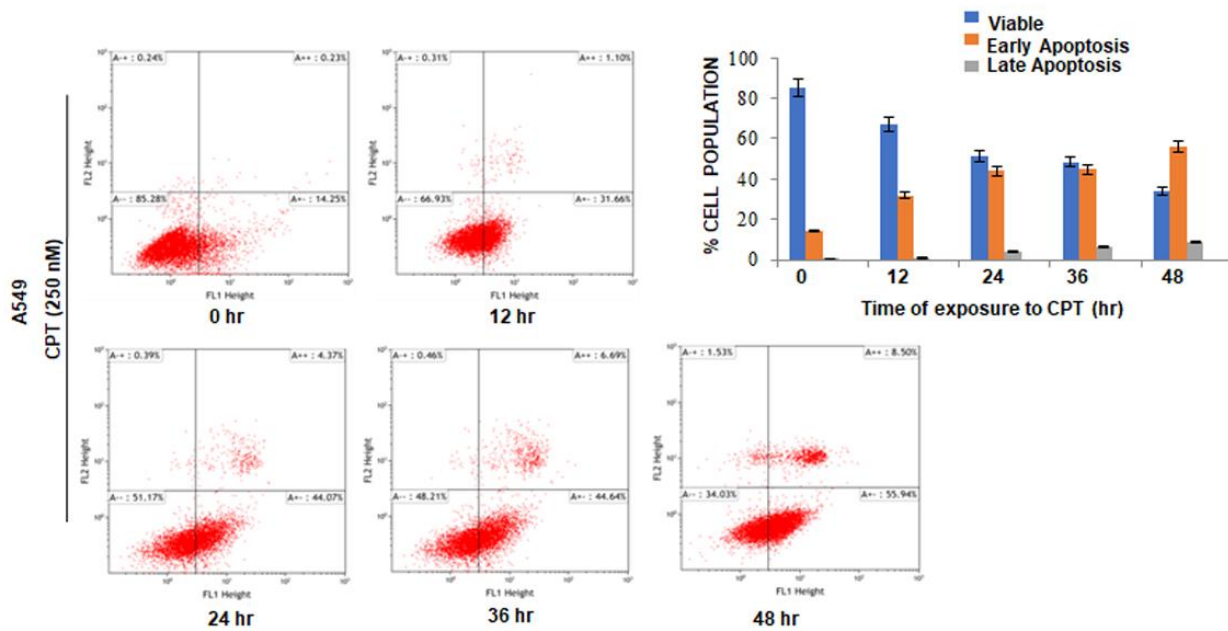
Supplementary Figure 1: Vimentin expression and invasion in response to various DNA damaging drugs. (A) HCT-116, A549 and Sw-620 cells were treated with indicated doses of CPT for 36 h and analyzed for Vimentin expression by western blotting. (B) Similar sort of experiment was carried with the indicated doses of 5-FU. β -actin was used as a loading control. (C) A549 cells, treated with CPT (250 nM) for 24, 36, 48 h along with vehicle and tested for their ability to degrade gelatin matrix through FITC-gelatin degradation assay. Blue stains indicate nuclear staining through DAPI mounting media. Images were taken at 20X magnification, scale bar: 100 μ m. Bar graph showing the threshold area of degradation quantified through Image j analysis ($n = 3$, error bars $\pm$ s.d.)



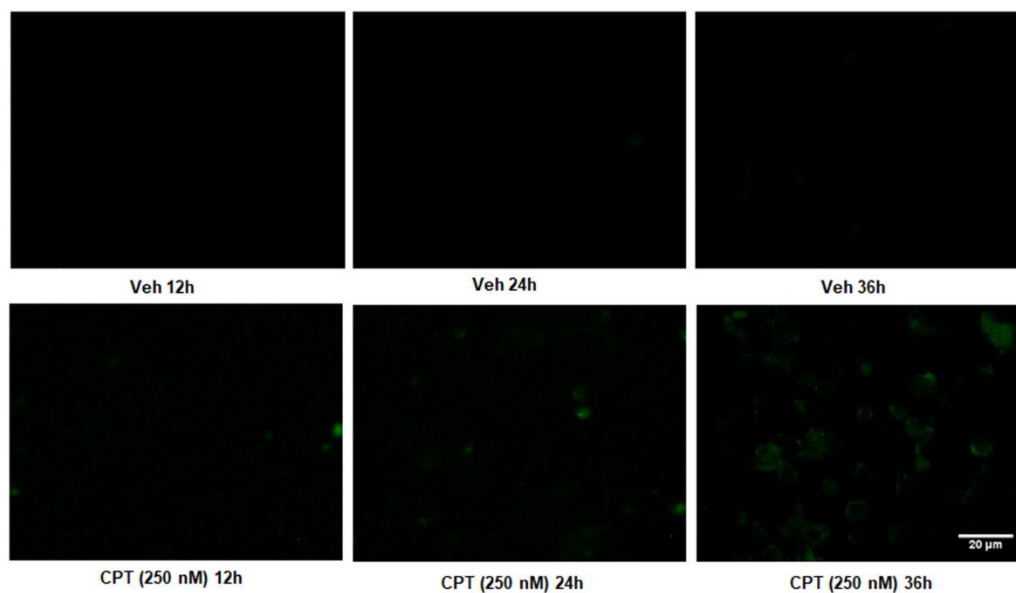
Supplementary Figure 2: Vimentin expression in Cis-platin and Doxorubicin treated HCT-116 cells. HCT-116 cells were treated with indicated doses of Cis-platin and doxorubicin for 36 h and analyzed for Vimentin expression by western blotting.



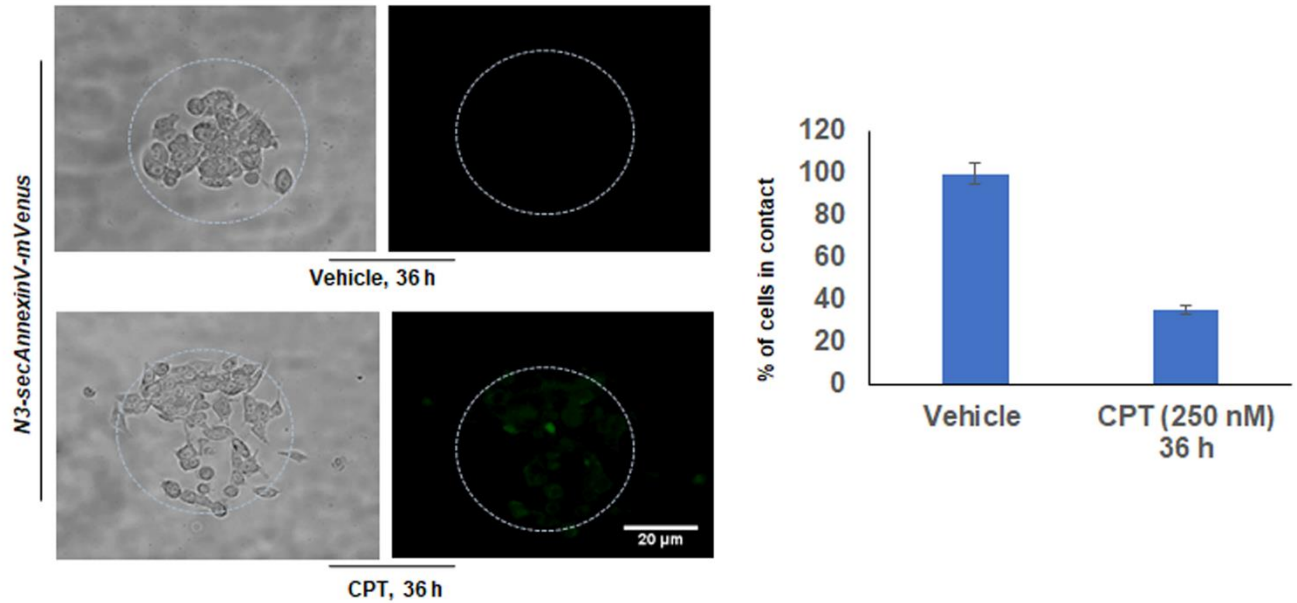
Supplementary Figure 3: CPT mediated activation of EMT and disruption of crypts in *Apc* floxed colorectal cancer model (A) Intestinal tissue obtained from induced *AhCre-ErT Apcfl/fl* treated with vehicle, 0.4 mg/kg, 0.8 mg/kg and 1.2 mg/kg along with wild type mice were stained with Hematoxylin & Eosin stain. (B-C) Bar graph represents the immunohistochemistry analysis of Vimentin and p^{ser38}Vimentin protein /field. Individual data points correspond to quantitative analysis of three independent images of labelled conditions by IHC toolbar attachment of Image j software; ($n = 3$, error bars $\pm$ s.d.); *** $p < 0.0001$.



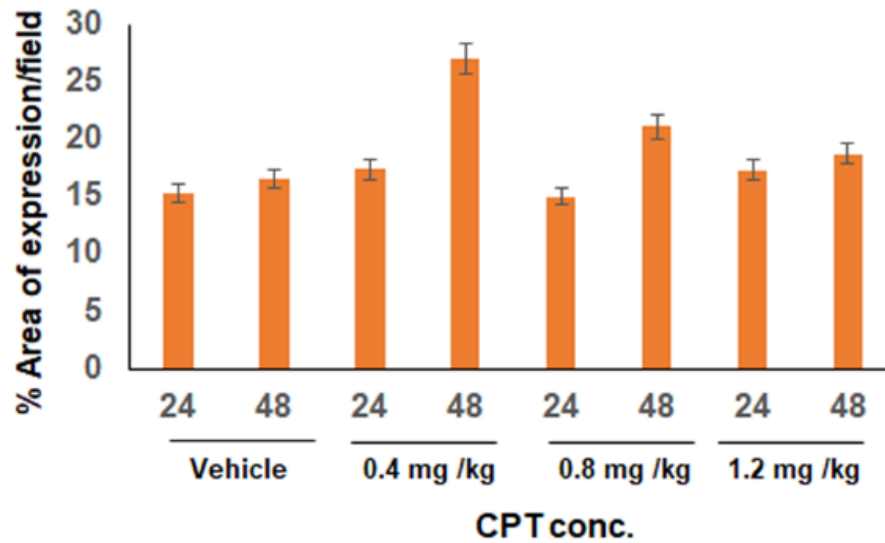
Supplementary Figure 4: Activation of Apoptosis in A549 Cells. A549 cells were treated with CPT for 0, 12, 24, 36, and 48 h, tagged with Annexin V-FITC, propidium iodide and analyzed through flow cytometry for onset of apoptosis. Bar graphs showing quantification of cells in various phases of apoptosis ($n = 3$, error bars $\pm$ s.d.).



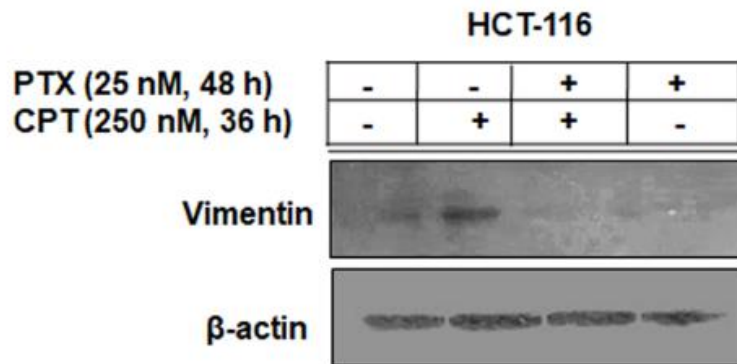
Supplementary Figure 5: Evaluation of secreted *SecAnnexinV-mVenus* chimeric protein. HCT cells seeded in 90mm petri dish, initially transfected with *N3-secAnnexinV-mVenus* plasmid and the conditional media was harvested after 48h. In another set of experiment HCT-116 cells were seeded in 6 well plate and CPT (250 nM)/vehicle treatment was given in the harvested conditional media for the indicated time periods. Images were obtained at 20X magnification.



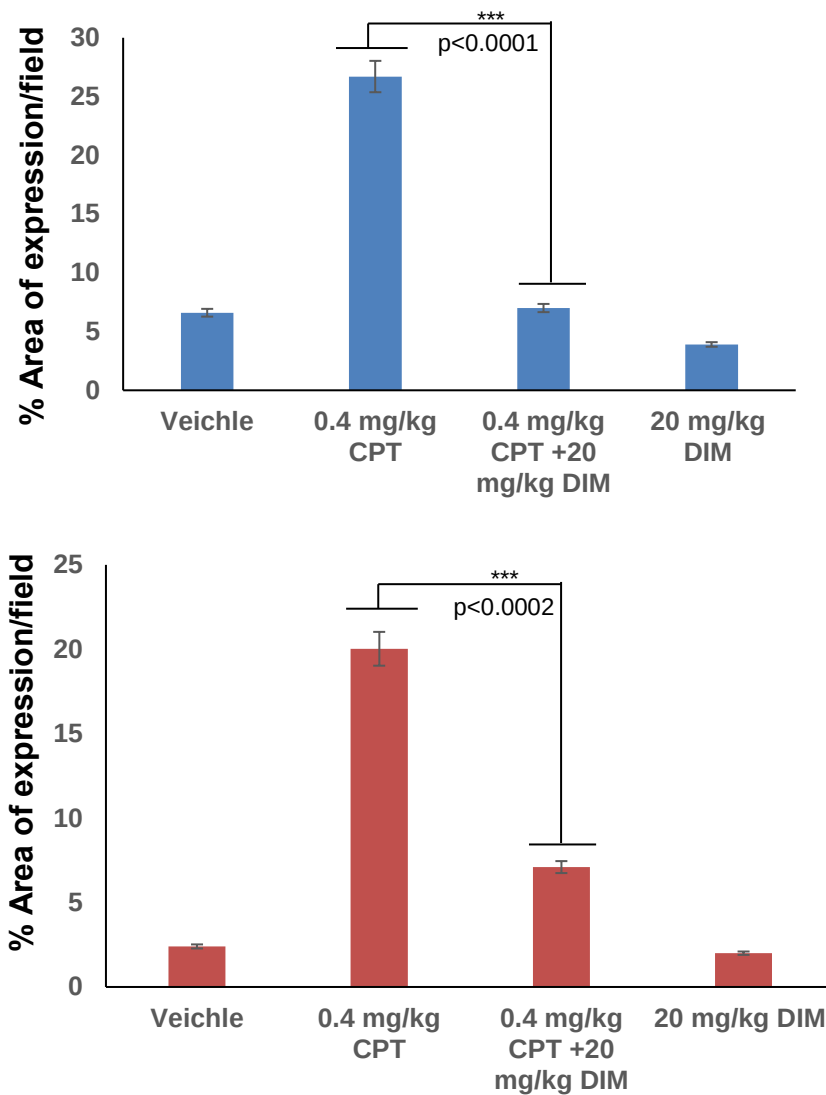
Supplementary Figure 6: Cell scattering analysis of *N3-secAnnexinV-mVenus* transfected cells. *N3-secAnnexinV-mVenus* transfected HCT-116 cells were employed for the cell scattering assay and treatment was given with CPT (250 nM) for 36 h. Scattering of cells along with expression of sec Annexin-mVenus was visualized under fluorescence microscope. Magnification 20X ; scale bar: 100µm. Bar graph represent percentage of cells that were in contact per field (n=3, error bars $\pm$ s.d).



Supplementary Figure 7: Expression analysis of NFκB in *Apc* floxed model system. Bar graph represents the immunohistochemistry analysis of expression of NFκB protein /field. Individual data points correspond to quantitative analysis of three independent images of labelled conditions by IHC toolbar attachment of Image j software (n=3, error bars $\pm$ s.d).



Supplementary Figure 8: Abrogation of Vimentin in G₂ arrested CPT treated cells. HCT-116 cells were treated with vehicle, CPT (250 nM), Paclitaxel (25 nM) + CPT (250 nM) and Paclitaxel (25 nM). Paclitaxel treatment was given 12 h before CPT treatment and the conditions were maintained upto 48h. The whole cell lysates were subjected to western blotting for determination of Vimentin expression.



Supplementary Figure 9: Expression analysis of Vimentin and p^{ser38}Vimentin in *Apc* floxed model system. Bar graph represents the immunohistochemistry analysis of expression of both vimentin and p^{ser38}Vimentin protein /field. Individual data points correspond to quantitative analysis of three independent images of labelled conditions by IHC toolbar attachment of Image j software; ($n = 3$, error bars $\pm$ s.d.); *** $p < 0.0001$ & $p < 0.0002$.

