

**Cytotoxicity screening of 23 engineered nanomaterials using a test matrix
of ten cell lines and three different assays**

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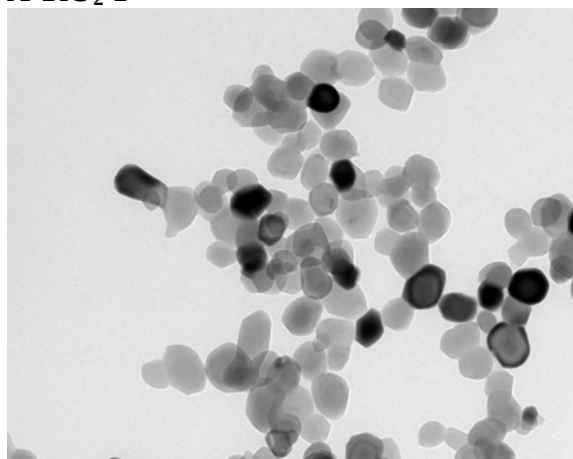
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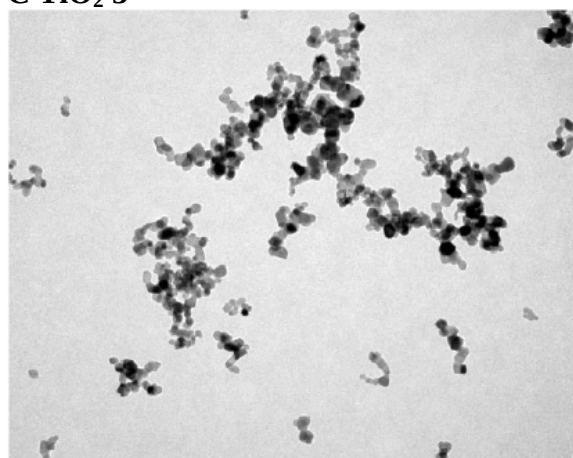
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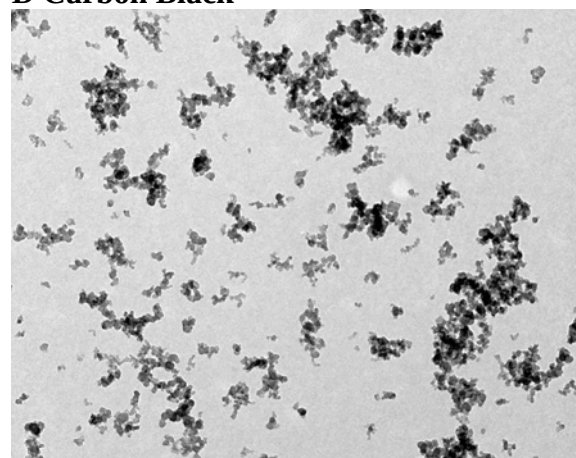
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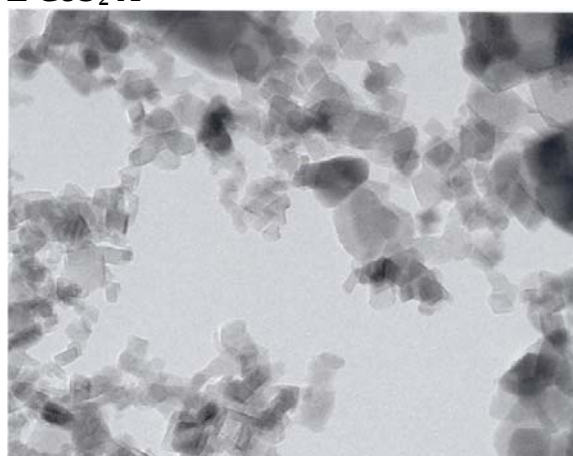
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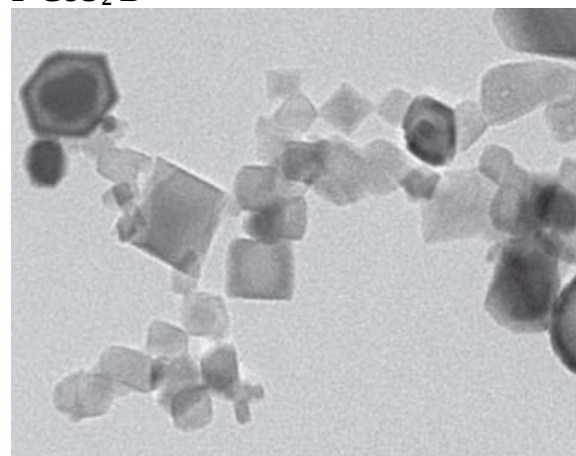
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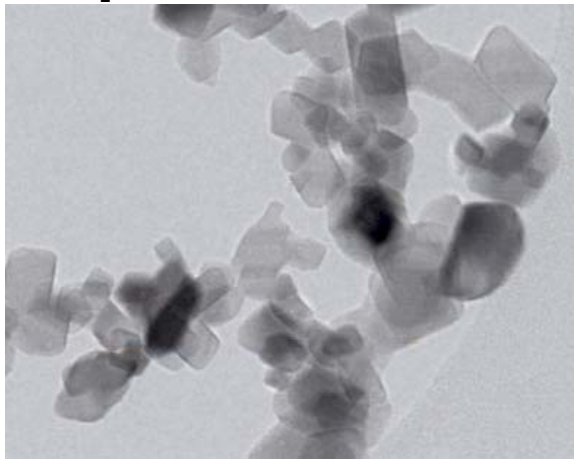
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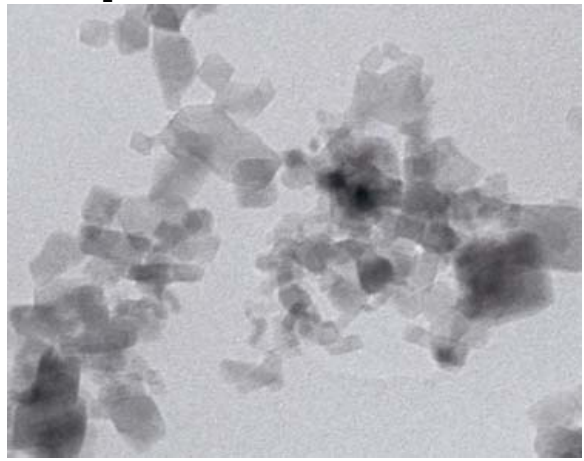
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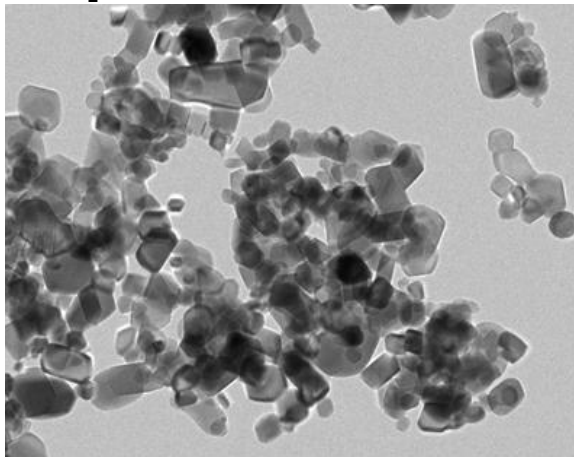
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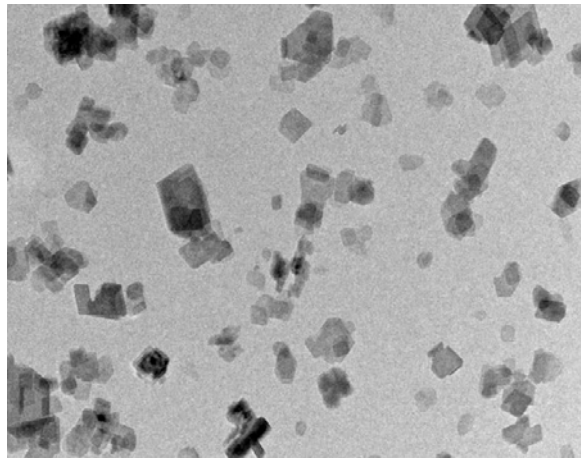
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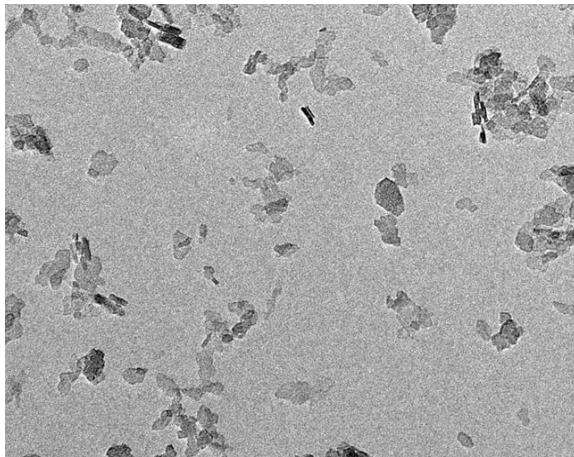
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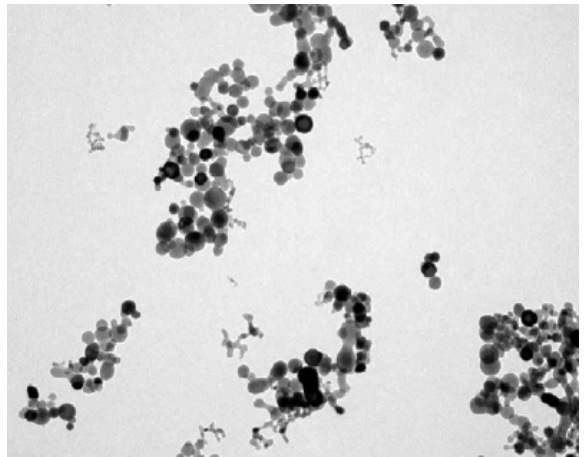
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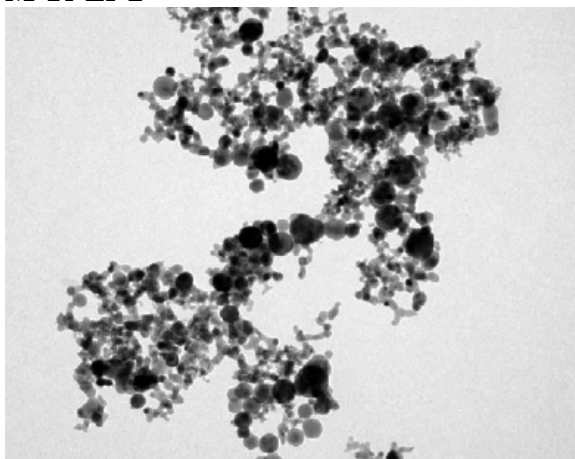
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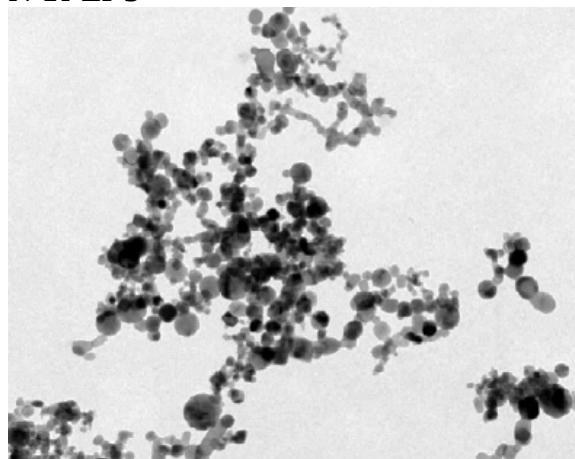
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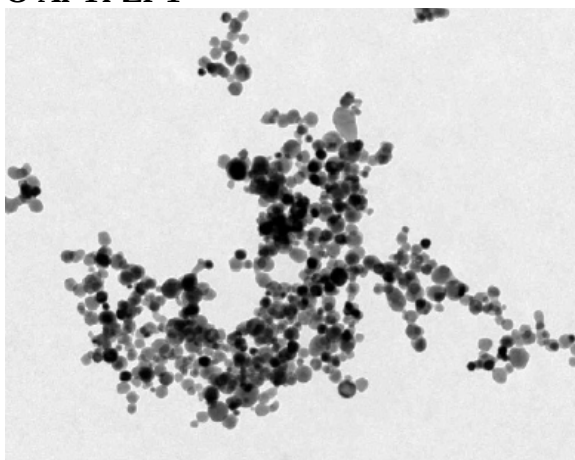
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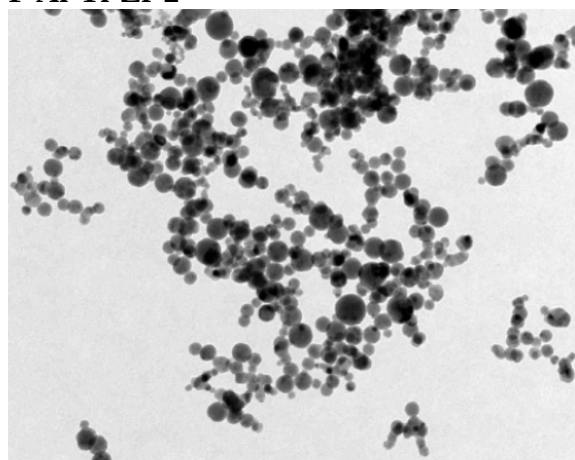
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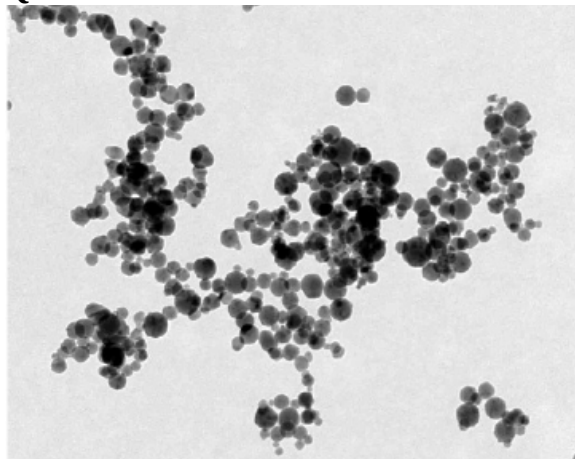
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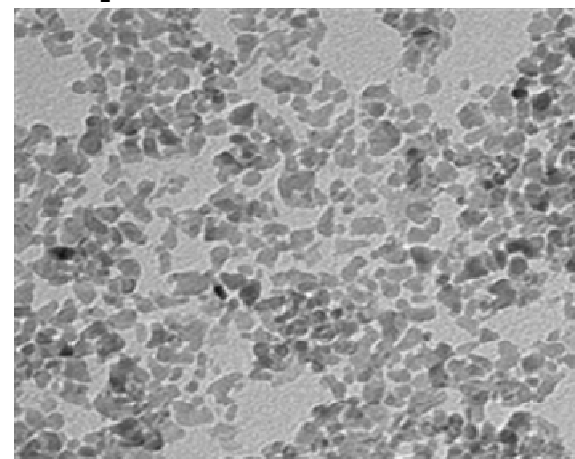
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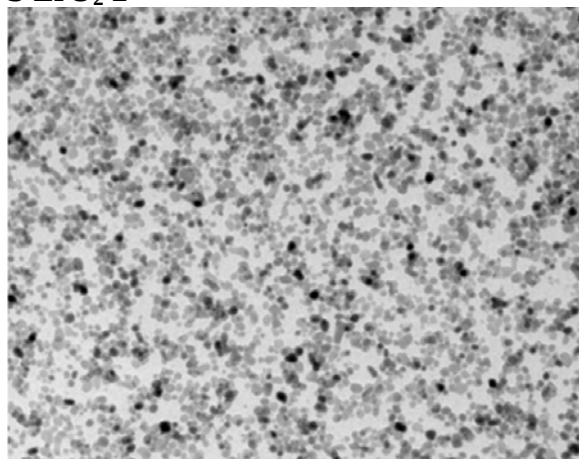
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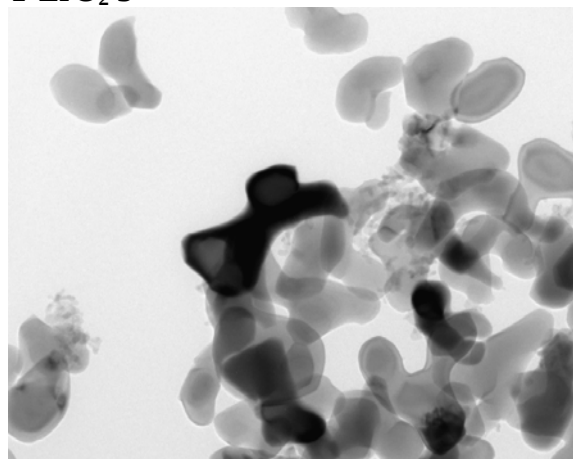
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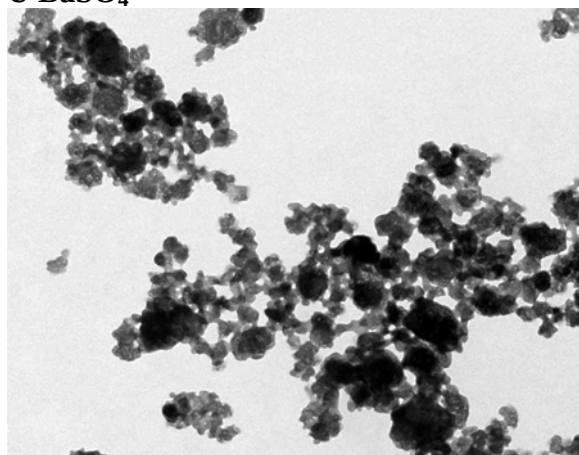
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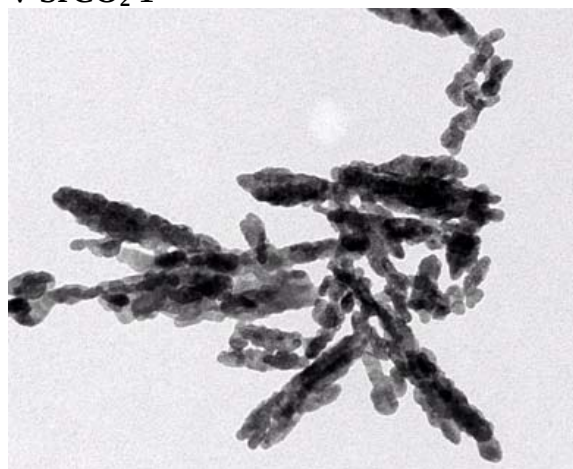
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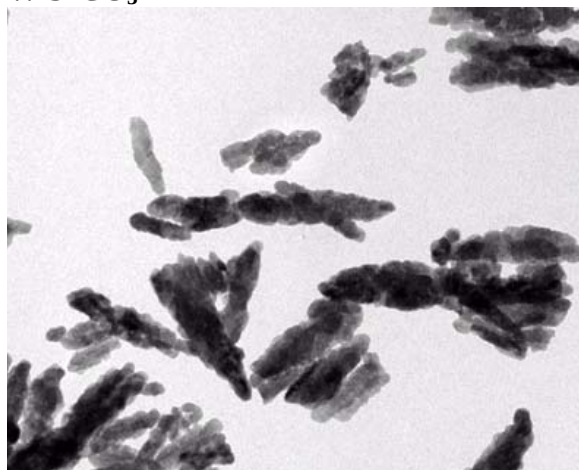
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V SrCO_3 1



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W SrCO_3 2



200nm

Figure S1. TEM images of the NPs analyzed in this study. A TiO_2 1, B TiO_2 2, C TiO_2 3, D Carbon Black, E CeO, A, F CeO, B, G CeO, C, H CeO, D, I CeO, J AlOOH I, K AlOOH II, L Ti-Zr 1, M Ti-Zr 2, N Ti-Zr 3, O Al-Ti-Zr 1, P Al-Ti-Zr 2, Q Al-Ti-Zr 3, R ZrO_2 1, S ZrO_2 2, T ZrO_2 3, U BaSO_4 , V SrCO_3 1, W SrCO_3 . 2 Samples were wetted in ethanol, then gently spread on a sample holder and transferred into vacuum for TEM imaging.

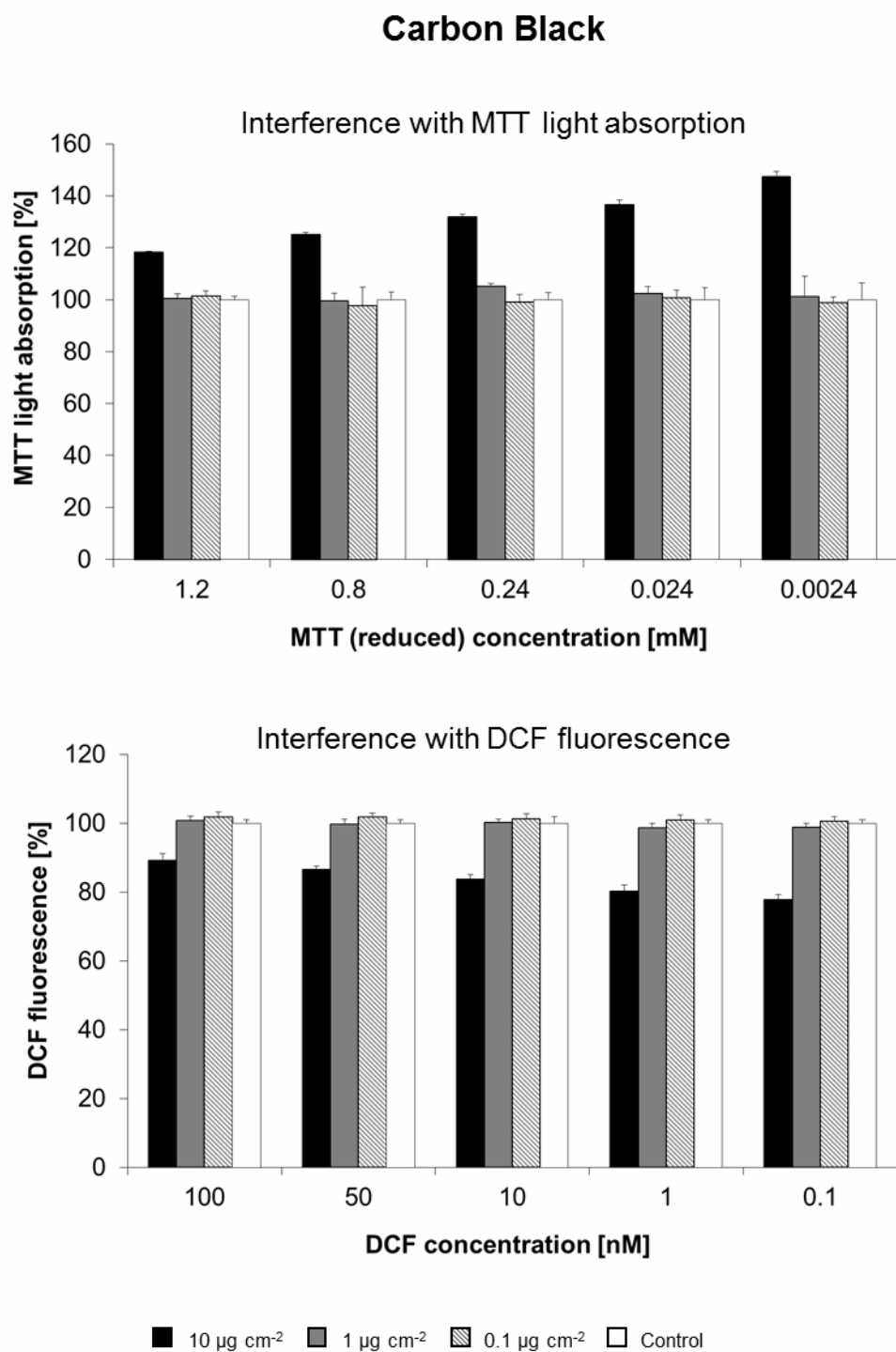
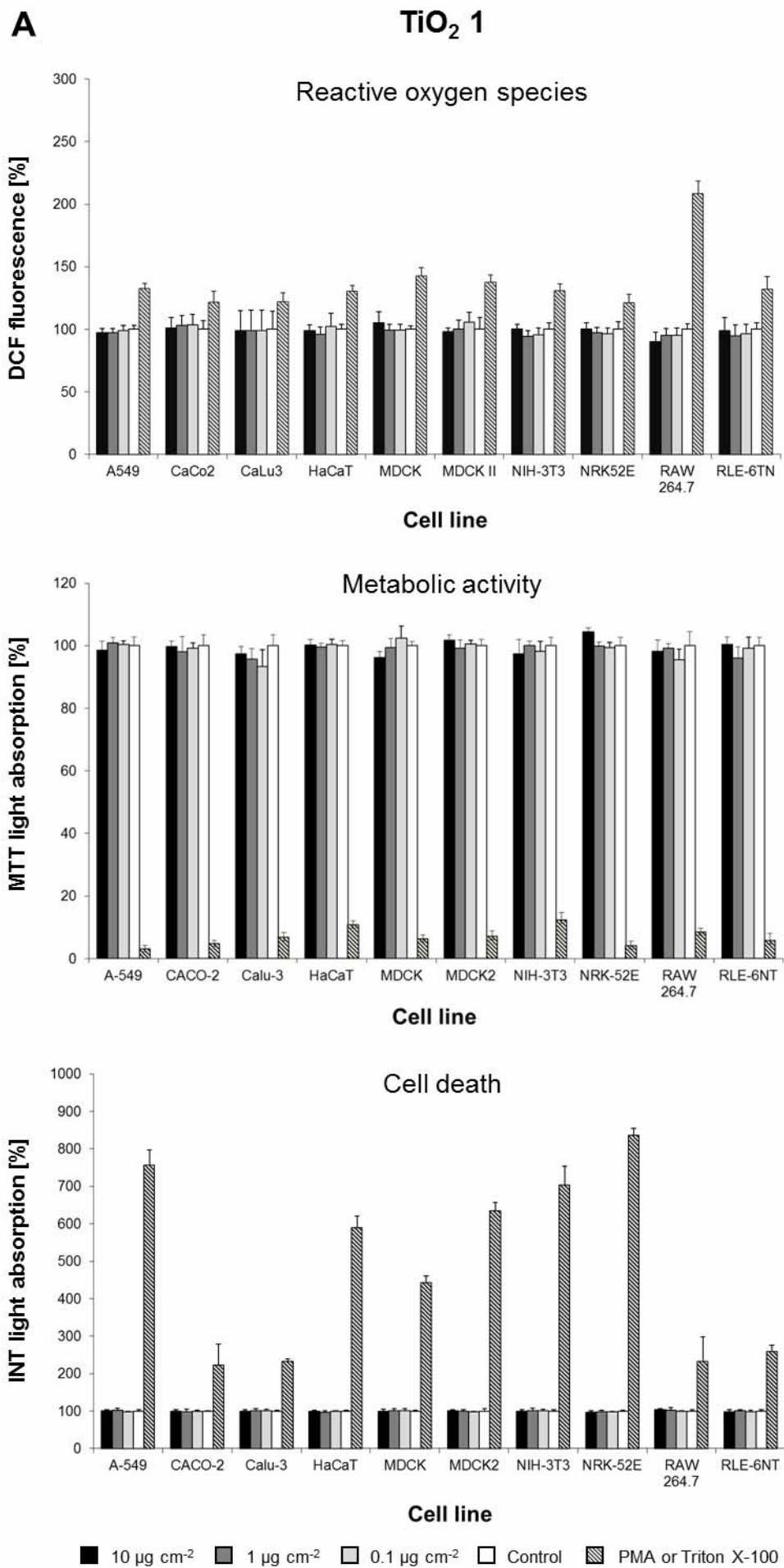
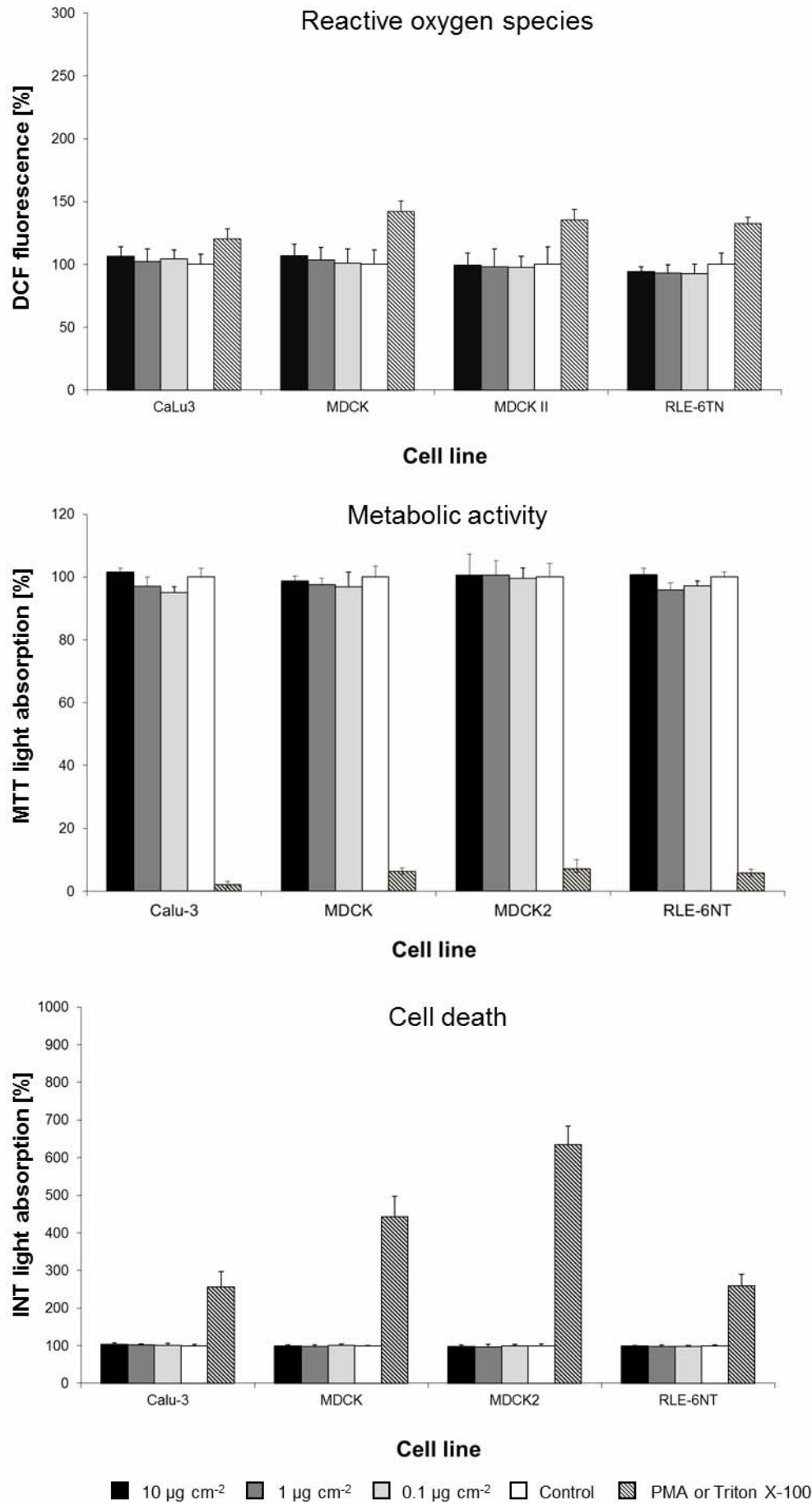


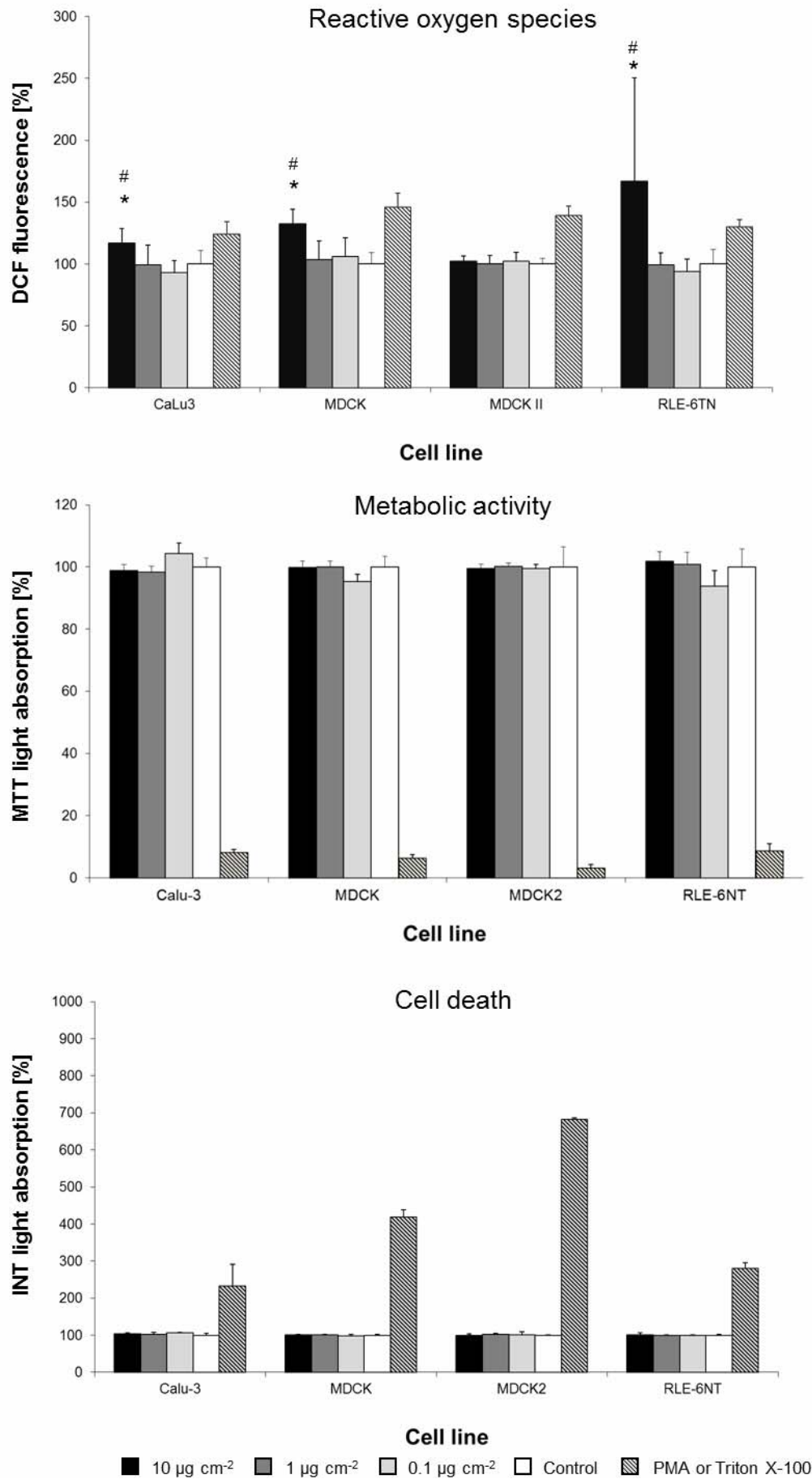
Figure S2. Interference with DCF fluorescence and MTT light absorption by Carbon Black. A549 cells were incubated with different concentrations of Carbon Black in DMEM / 10 % FBS or pure DMEM / 10 % FBS (Control) for 1h (DCF) or 24h (MTT), washed and covered with solutions of oxidized DCF or reduced MTT prior to fluorescence or light absorption measurements (arbitrary units [AU] mean values (n=21, 3x7), with standard deviations).

Table S1. Nanoparticle interference with *in vitro* toxicity test systems: catalytic activity. – no interference detected; + interference detected; ? catalytic activity could not be analyzed due to interference with the optical detection. Empty wells were incubated with NP dispersions in DMEM / 10% FBS or pure DMEM / 10% FBS for 1h (oxidation of DCF) or 24h (reduction of MTT or INT), washed and incubated with H₂DCF-DA or oxidized MTT or INT for 1h (oxidation of DCF), 3h (reduction of MTT) prior to fluorescence/light absorption measurement, or measured continuously for 1h in the presence of oxidized INT according to the assay procedure. DCF fluorescence measurements were taken directly and 3h after incubation with H₂DCF-DA (depicted as directly/3h, e.g. -/-).

	Particles	Parameters and particle condition								
		ROS / Oxidative stress			Metabolic activity			Cell death		
		Oxidation of H ₂ DCF			Reduction of MTT			Reduction of INT		
		0.1	1	10	0.1	1	10	0.1	1	10
1	TiO ₂ 1	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	TiO ₂ 2	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	TiO ₂ 3	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Carbon Black	-/-	-/+	-/+	?	?	?	-	-	-
5	CeO ₂ -A	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	CeO ₂ -B	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	CeO ₂ -C	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	CeO ₂ -D	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9	CeO ₂	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	AlOOH I	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	AlOOH II	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	Ti-Zr 1*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	Ti-Zr 2*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Ti-Zr 3*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Al-Ti-Zr 1*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	Al-Ti-Zr 2*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Al-Ti-Zr 3*	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	ZrO ₂ 1	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	ZrO ₂ 2	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	ZrO ₂ 3	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	BaSO ₄	-/-	-/-	-/-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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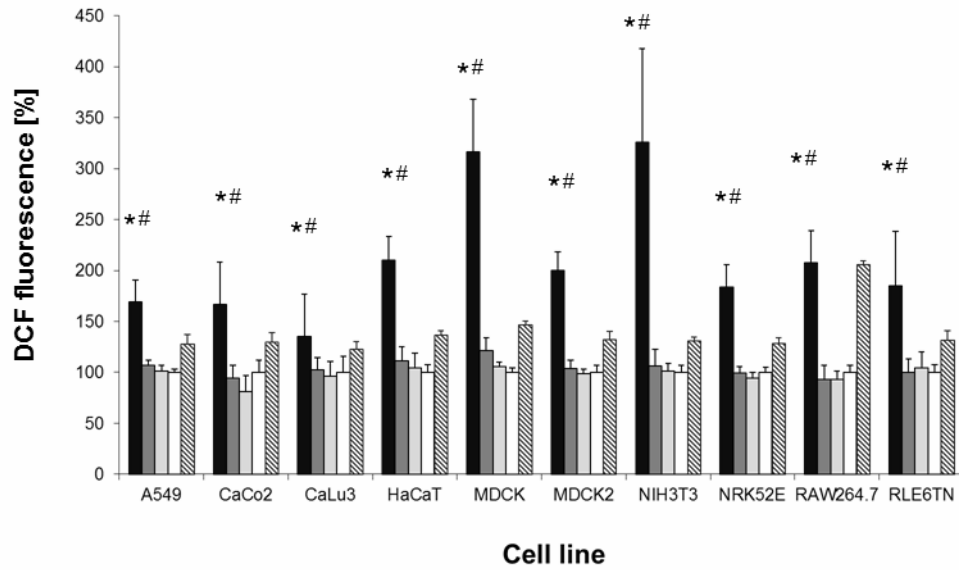
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C**TiO₂ 3**

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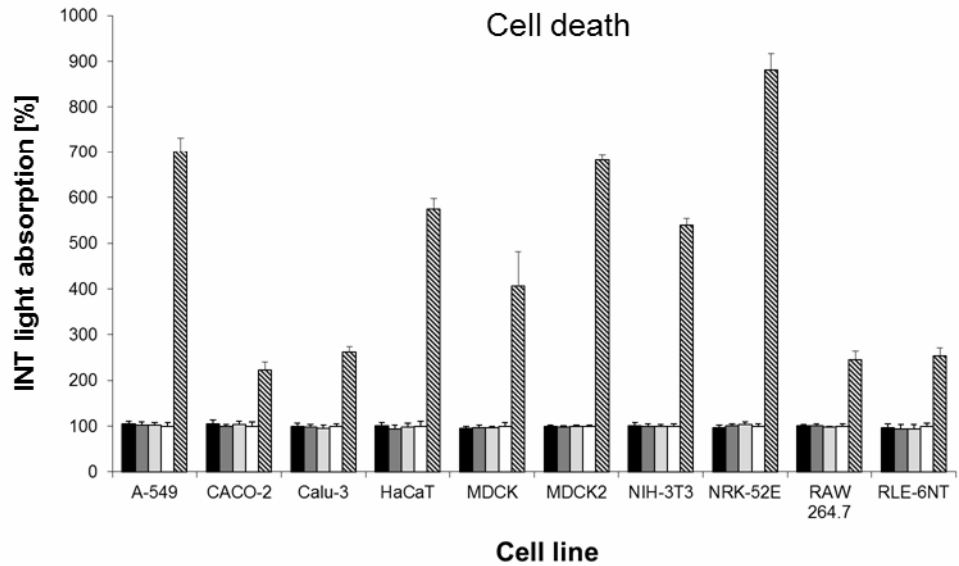
Carbon Black

Reactive oxygen species



Cell line

Cell death

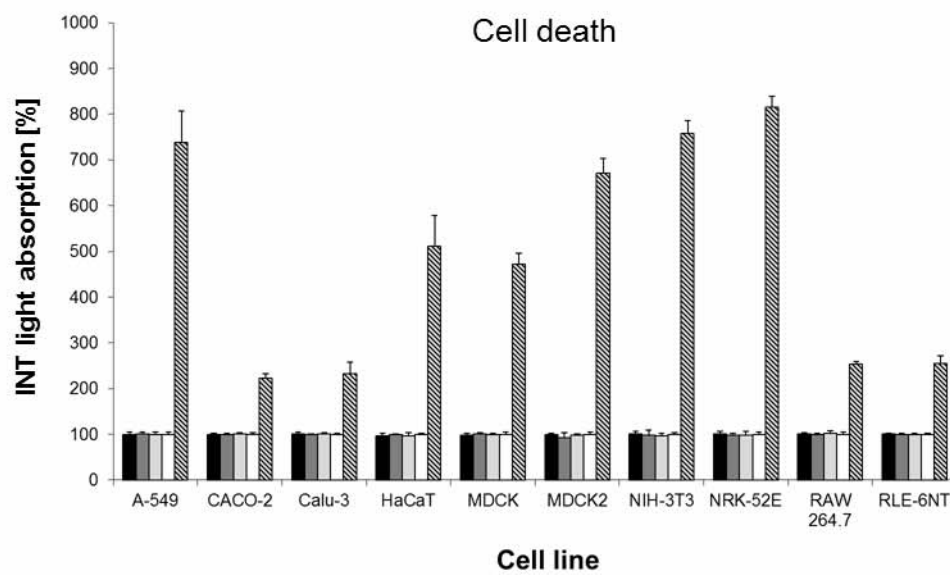
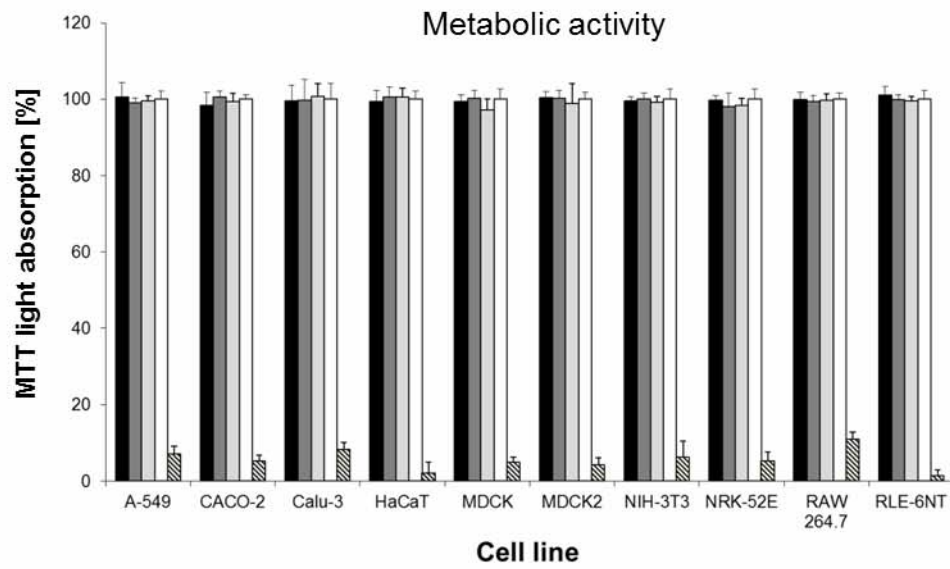
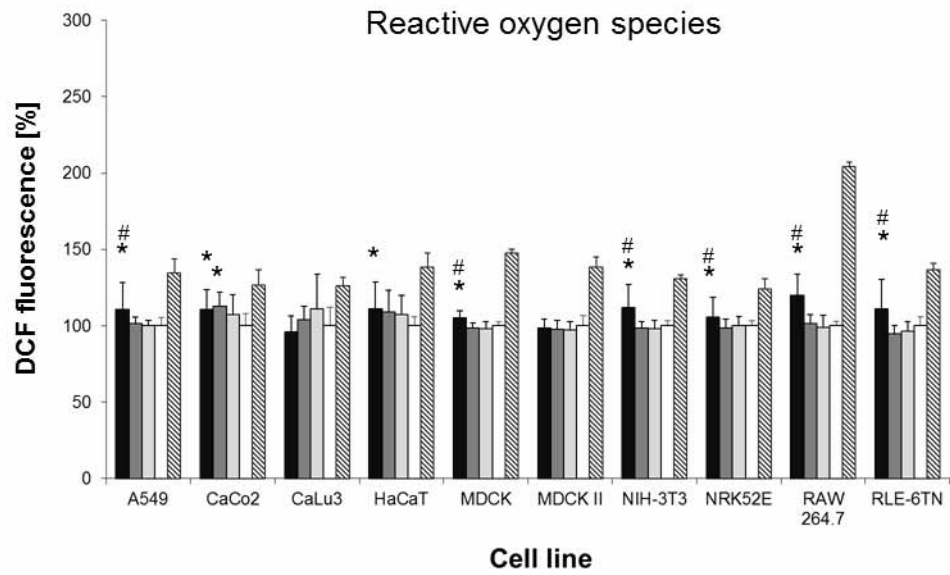


Cell line

■ 10 $\mu\text{g cm}^{-2}$ ■ 1 $\mu\text{g cm}^{-2}$ ■ 0.1 $\mu\text{g cm}^{-2}$ □ Control ▨ PMA or Triton X-100

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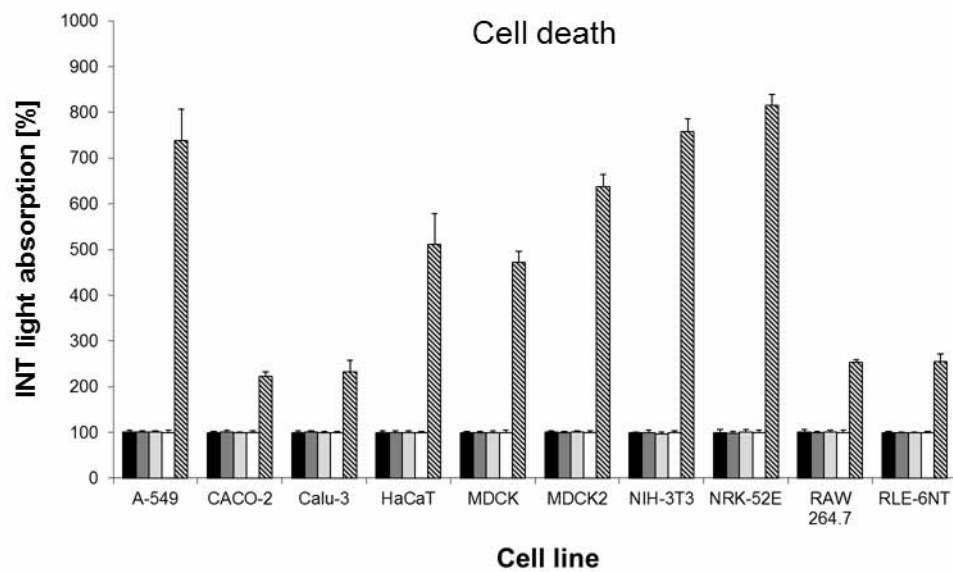
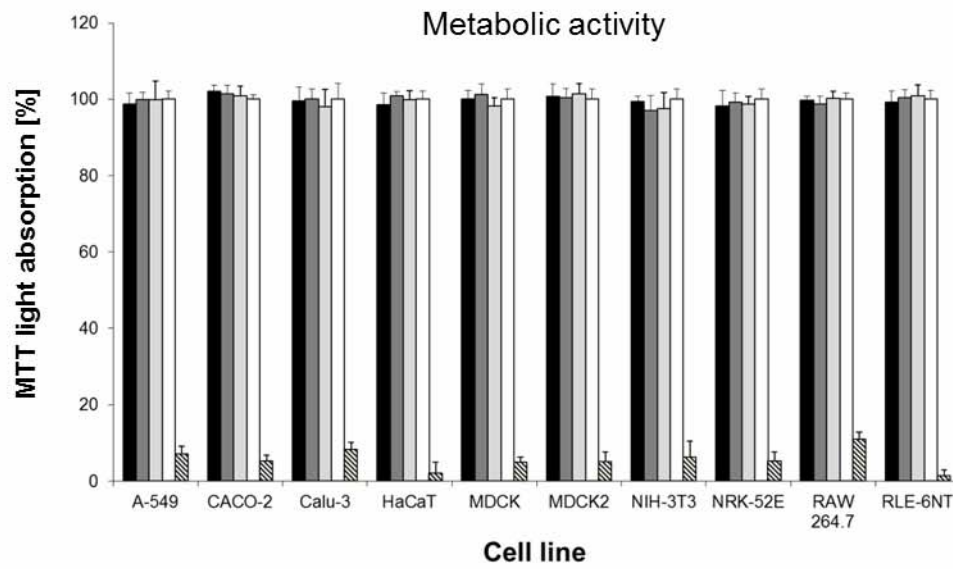
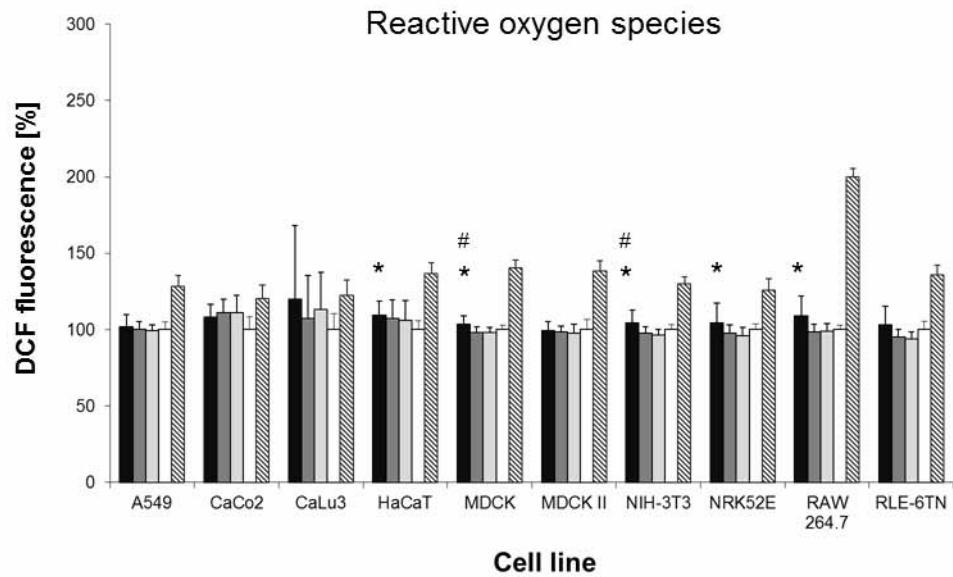
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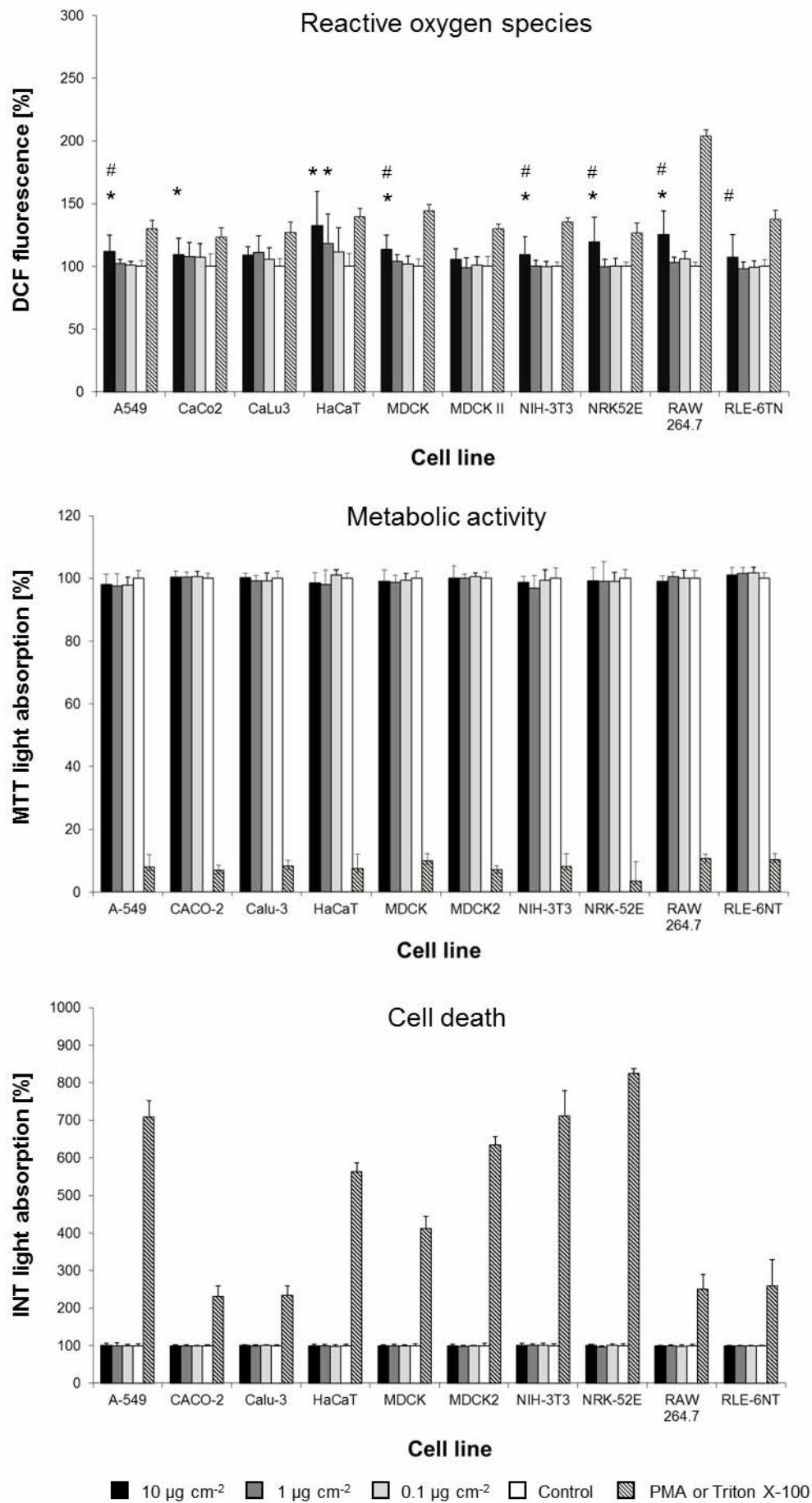
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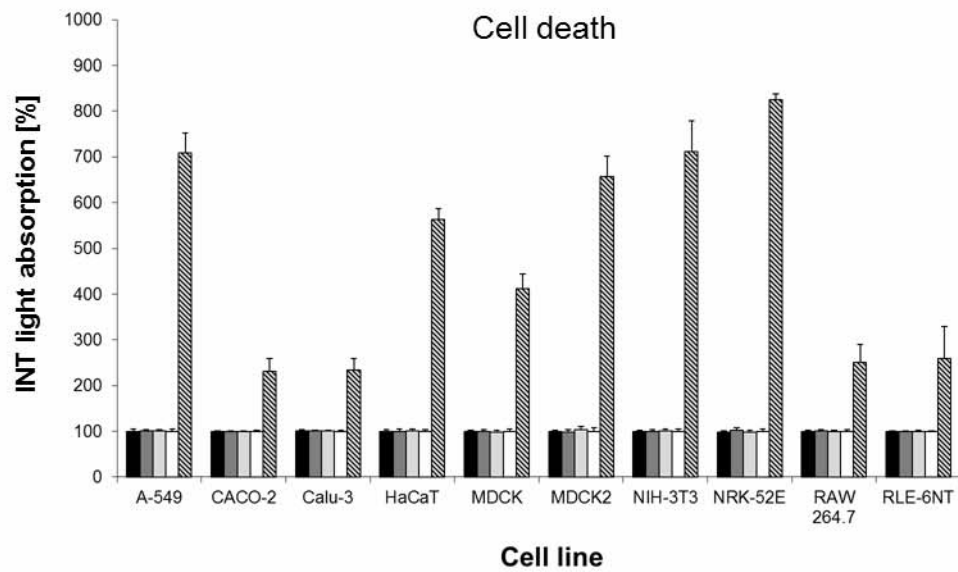
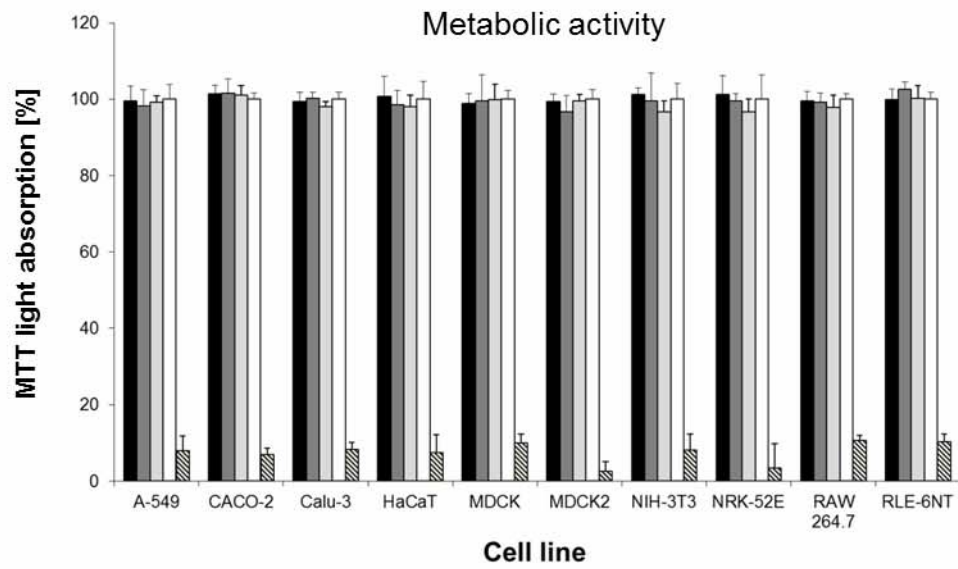
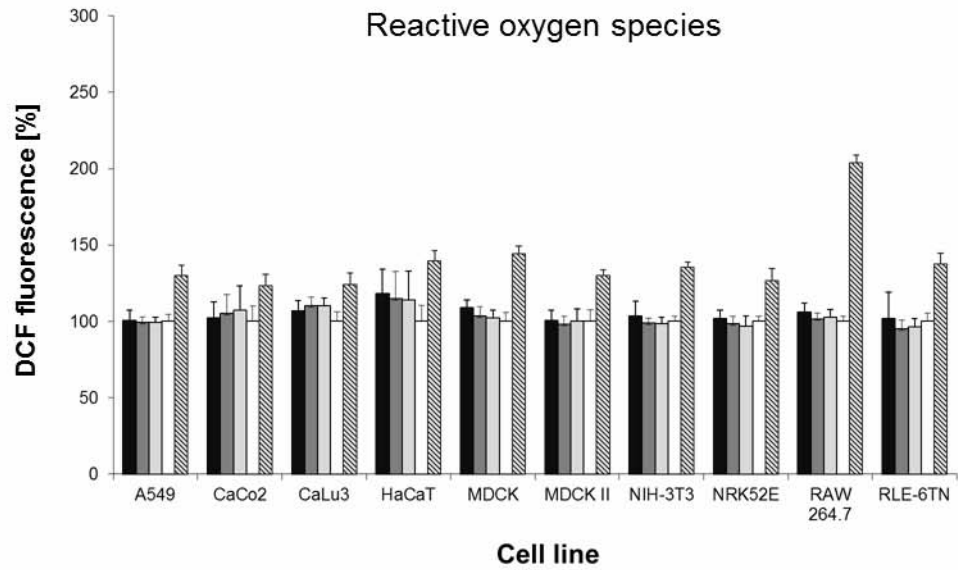
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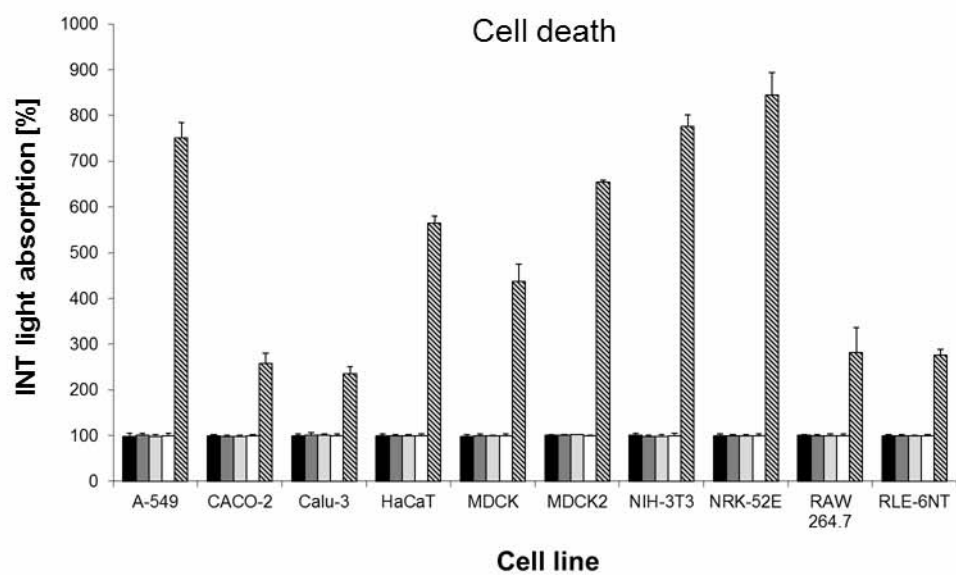
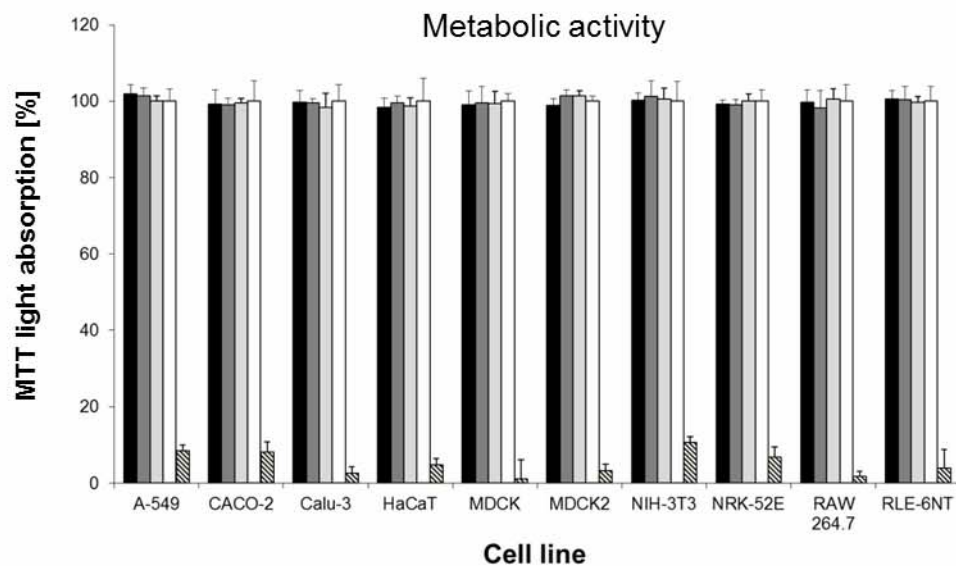
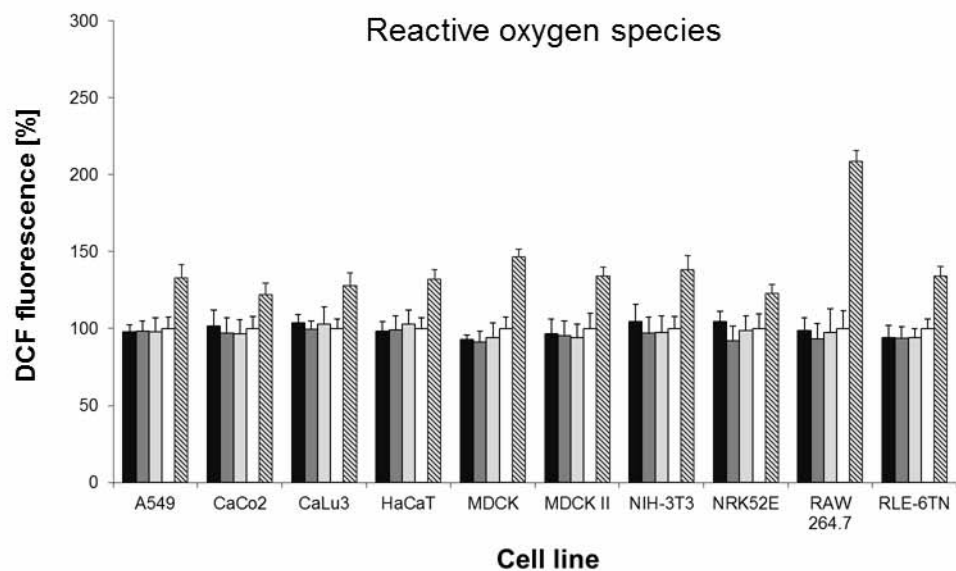
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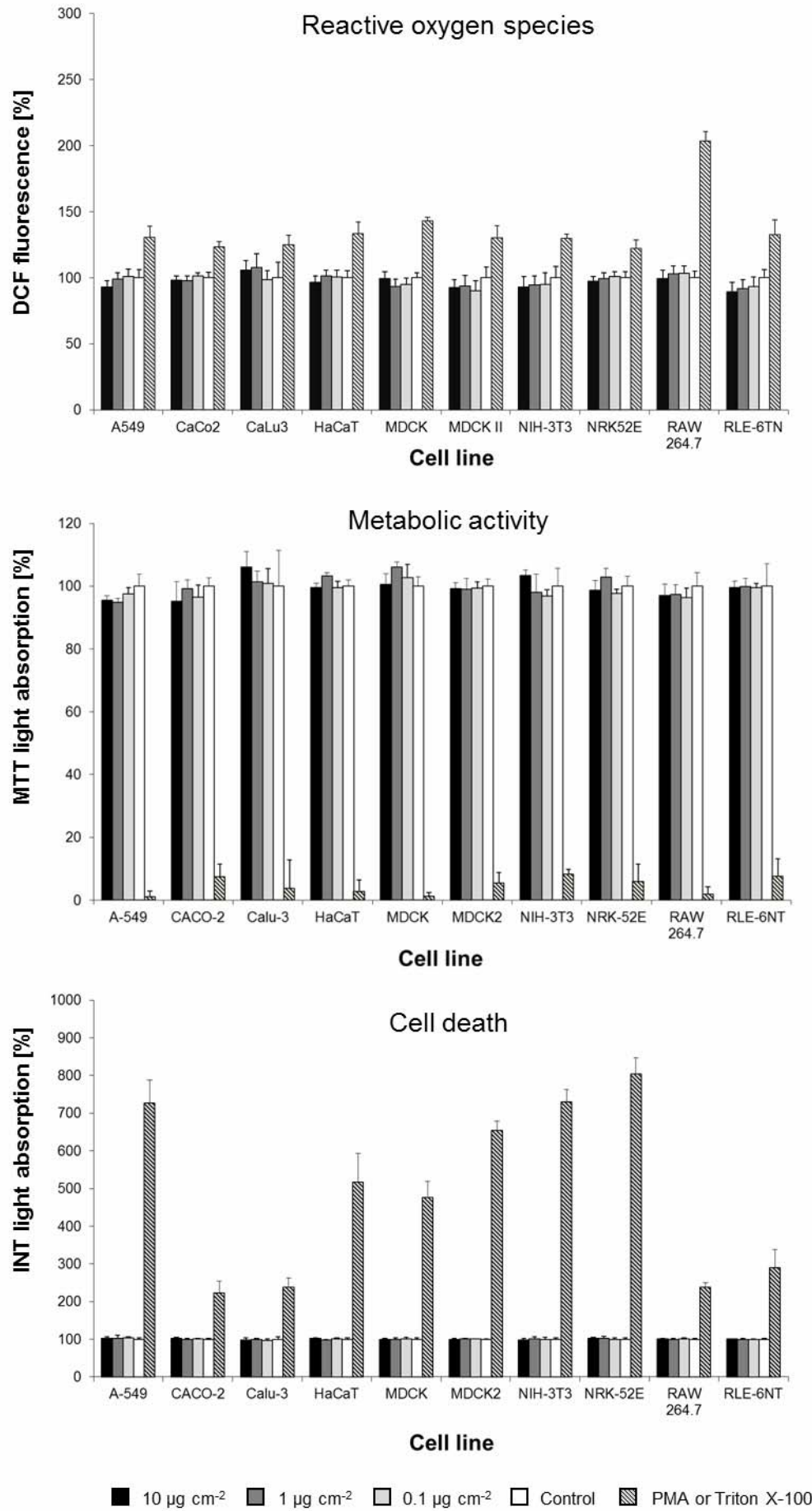
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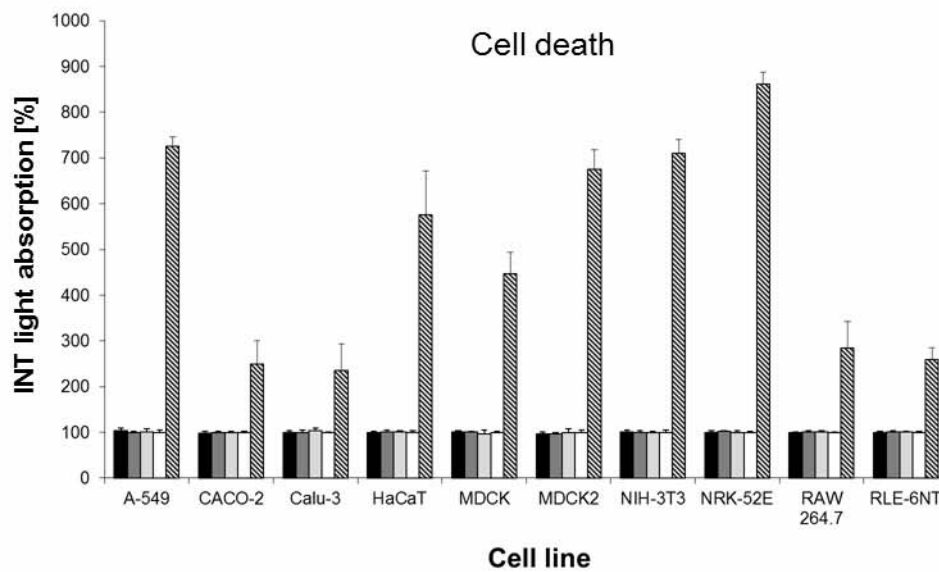
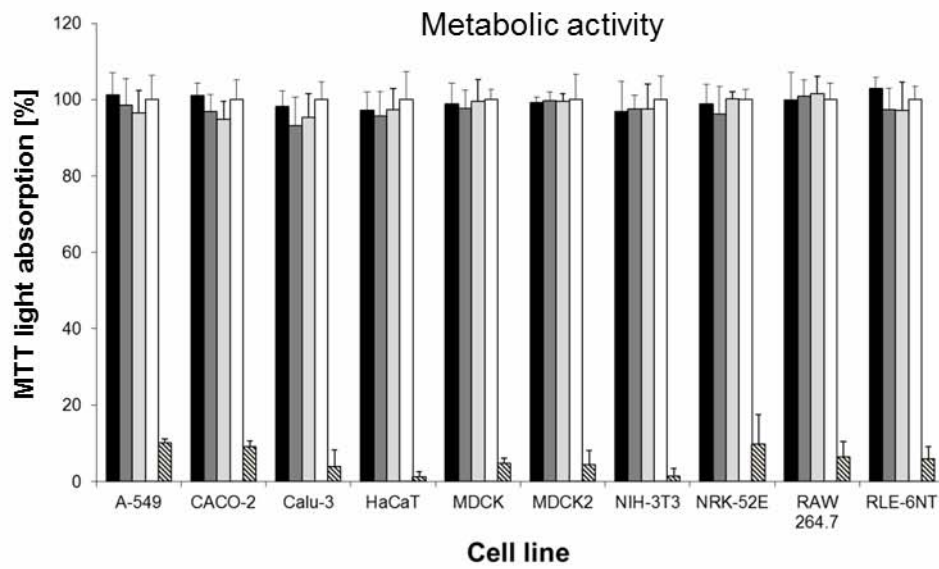
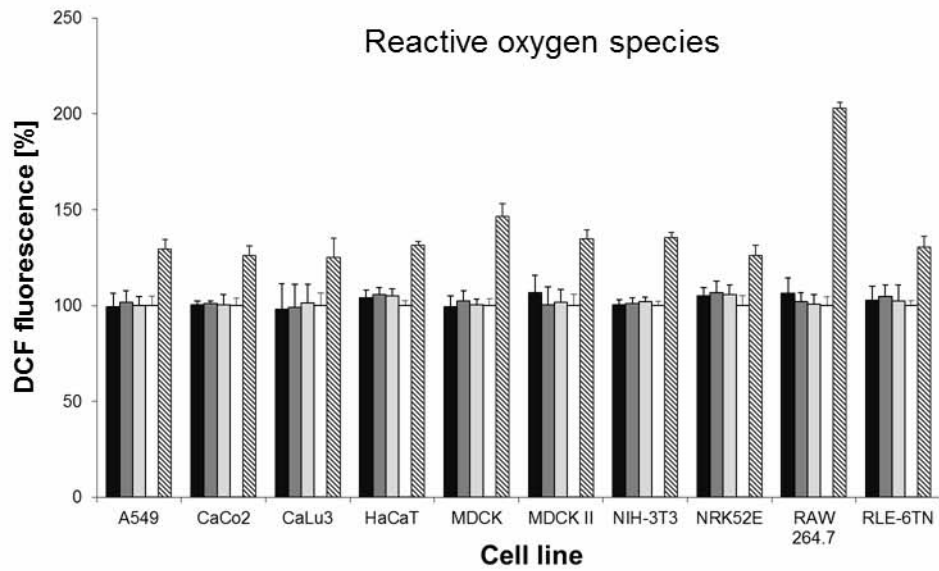
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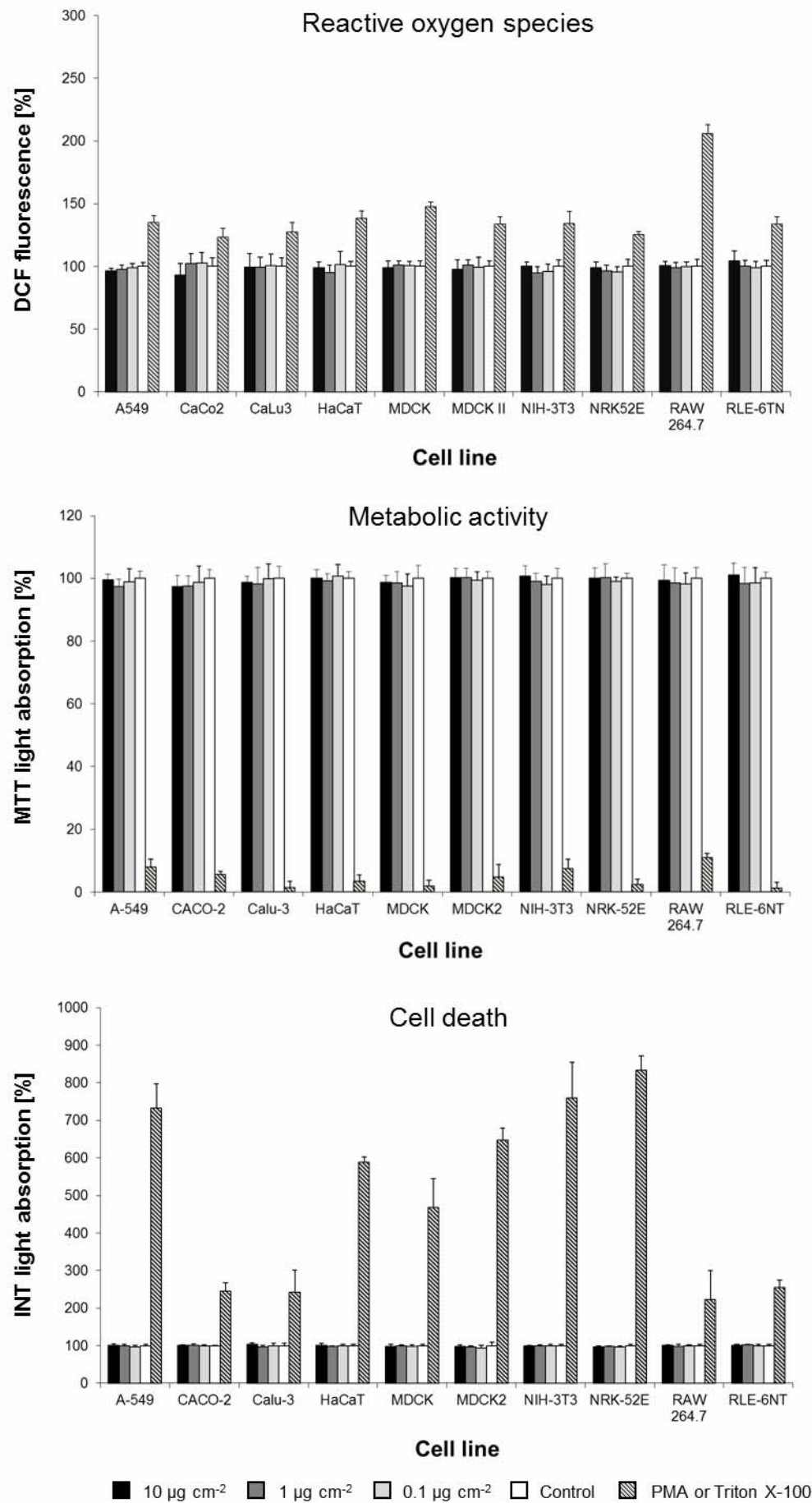
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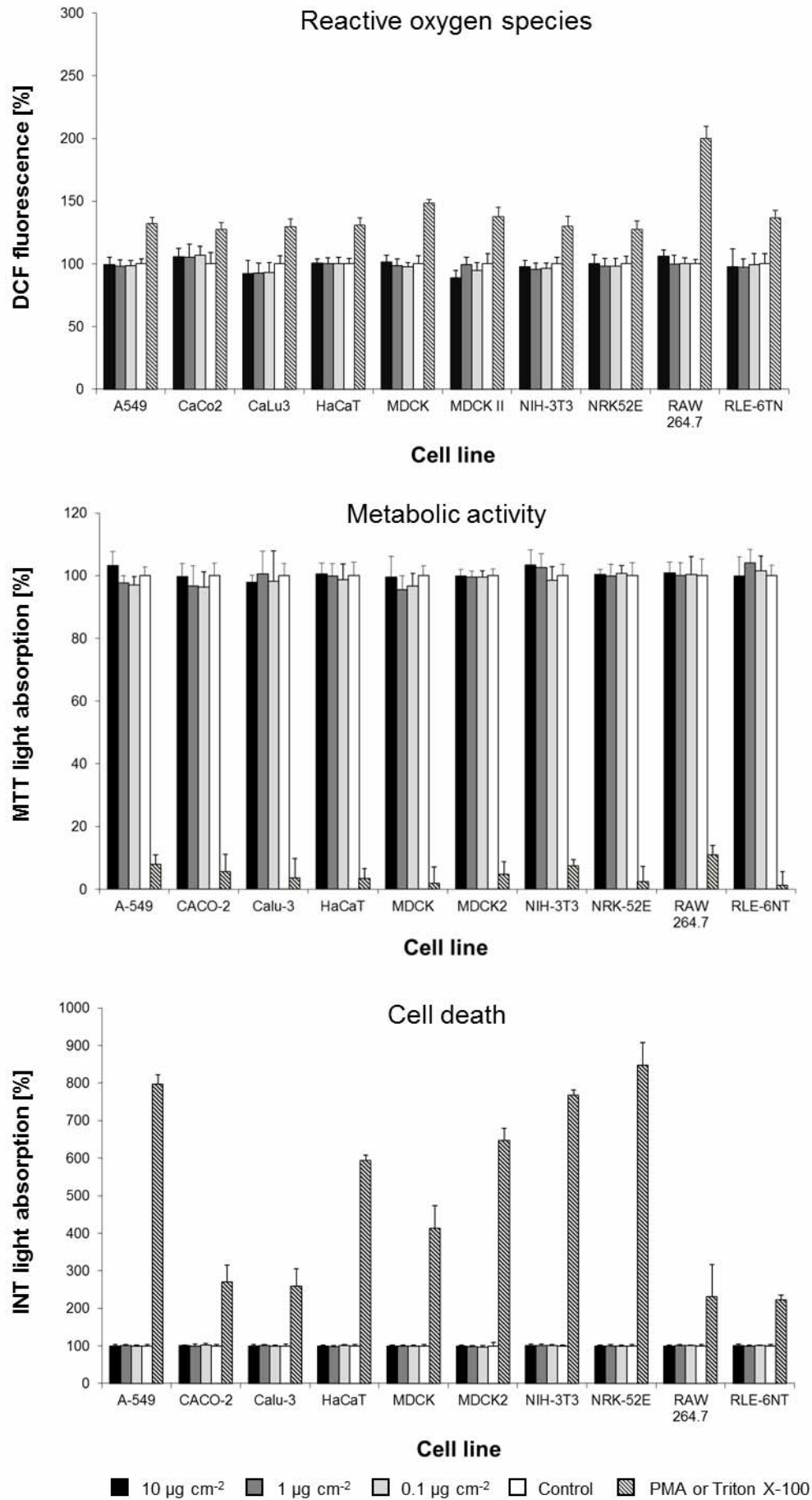


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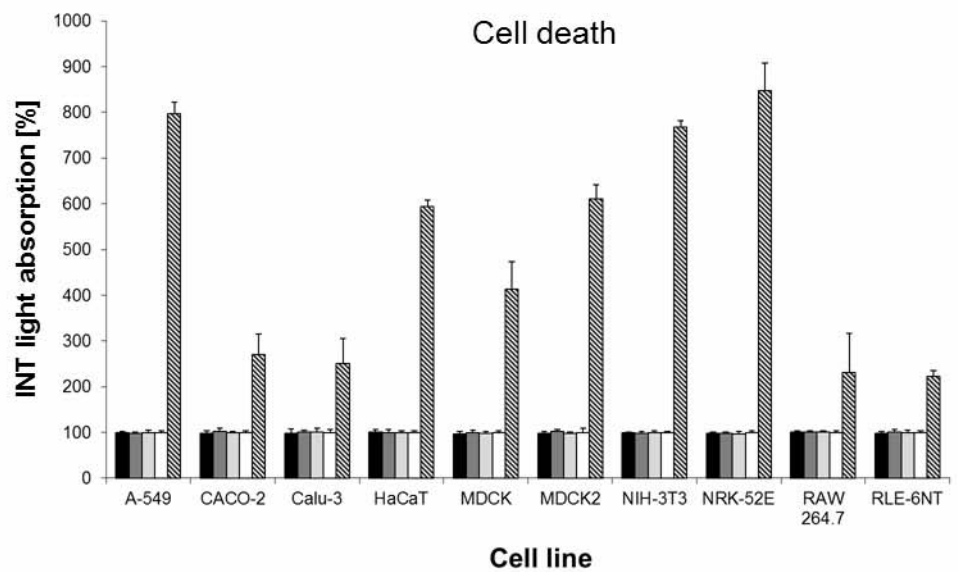
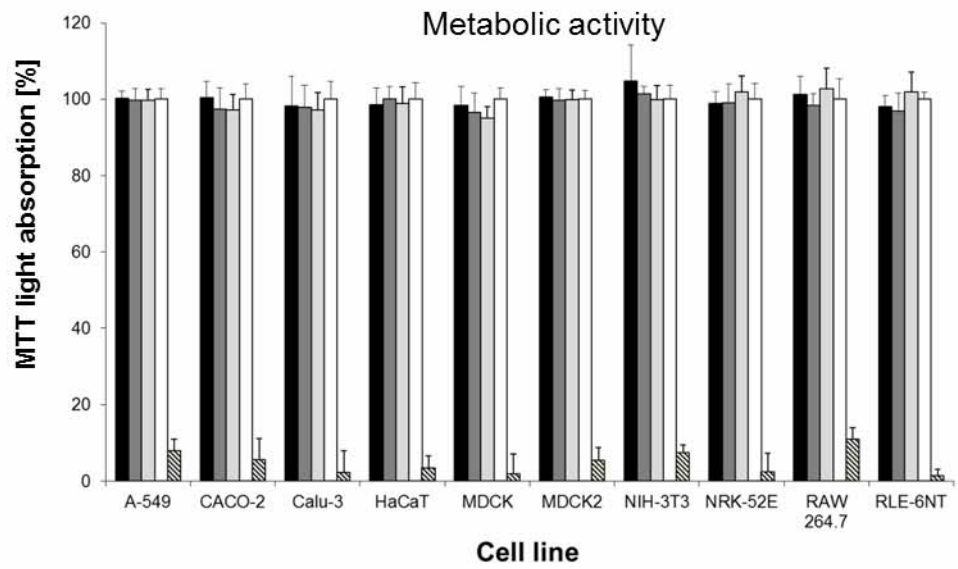
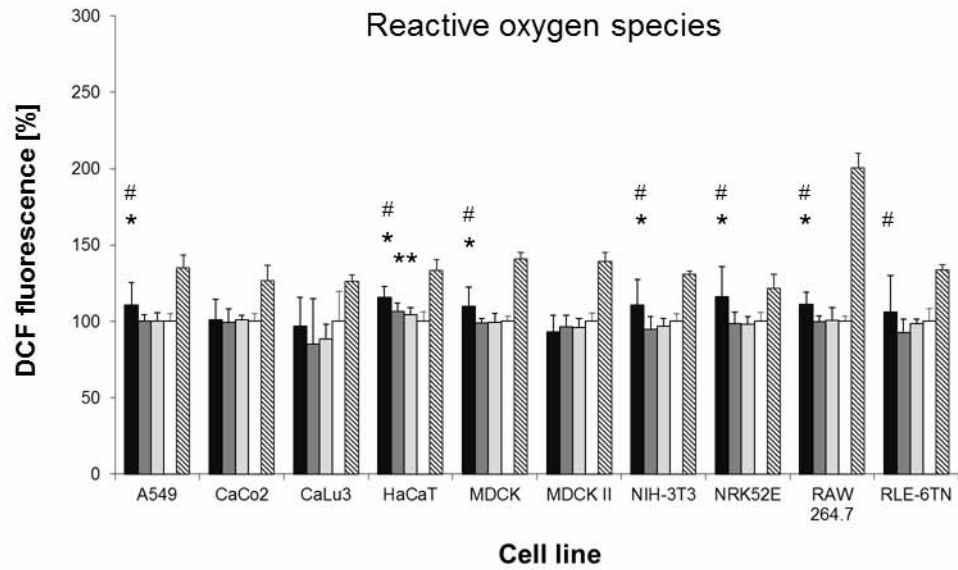
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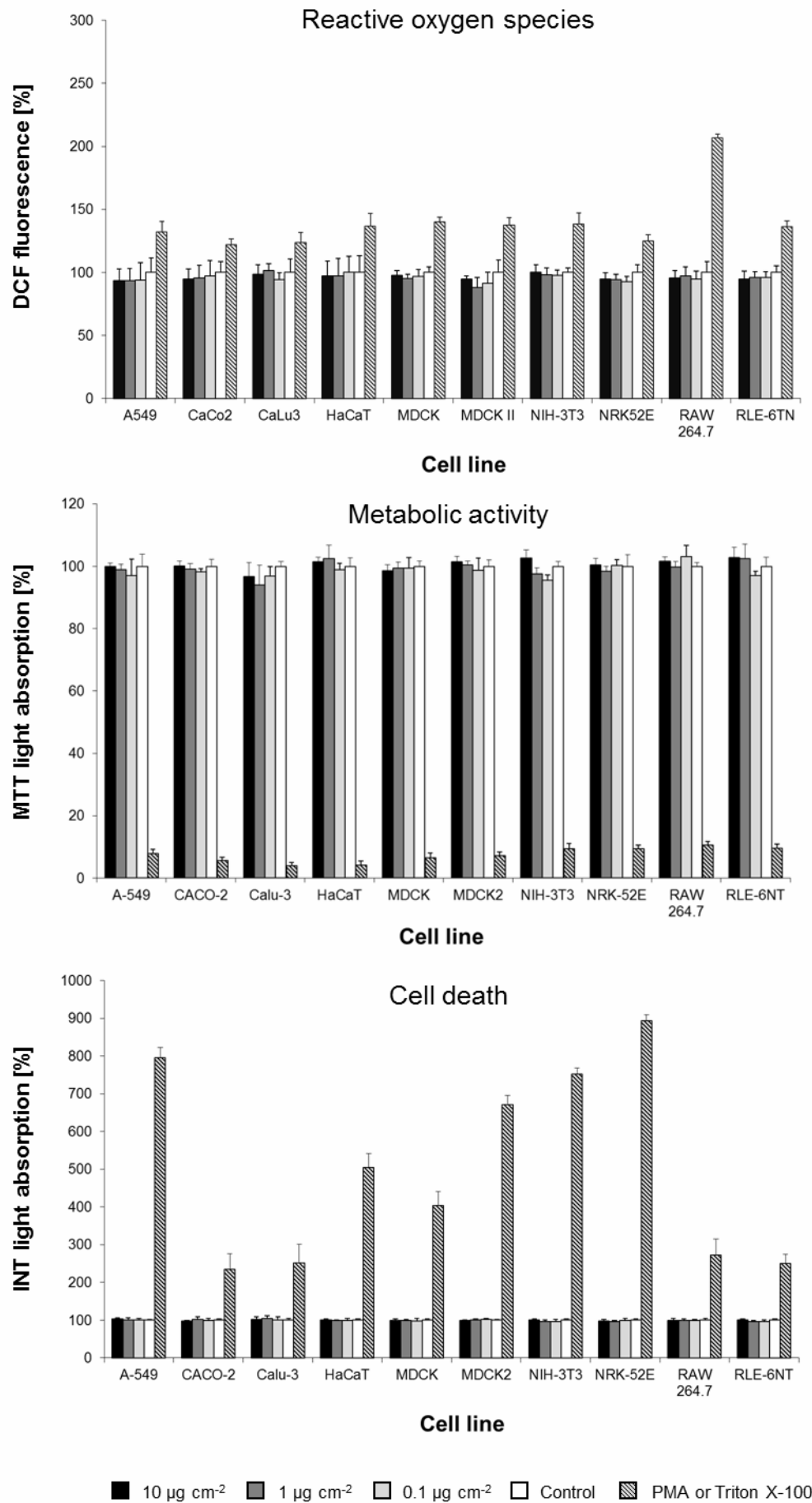
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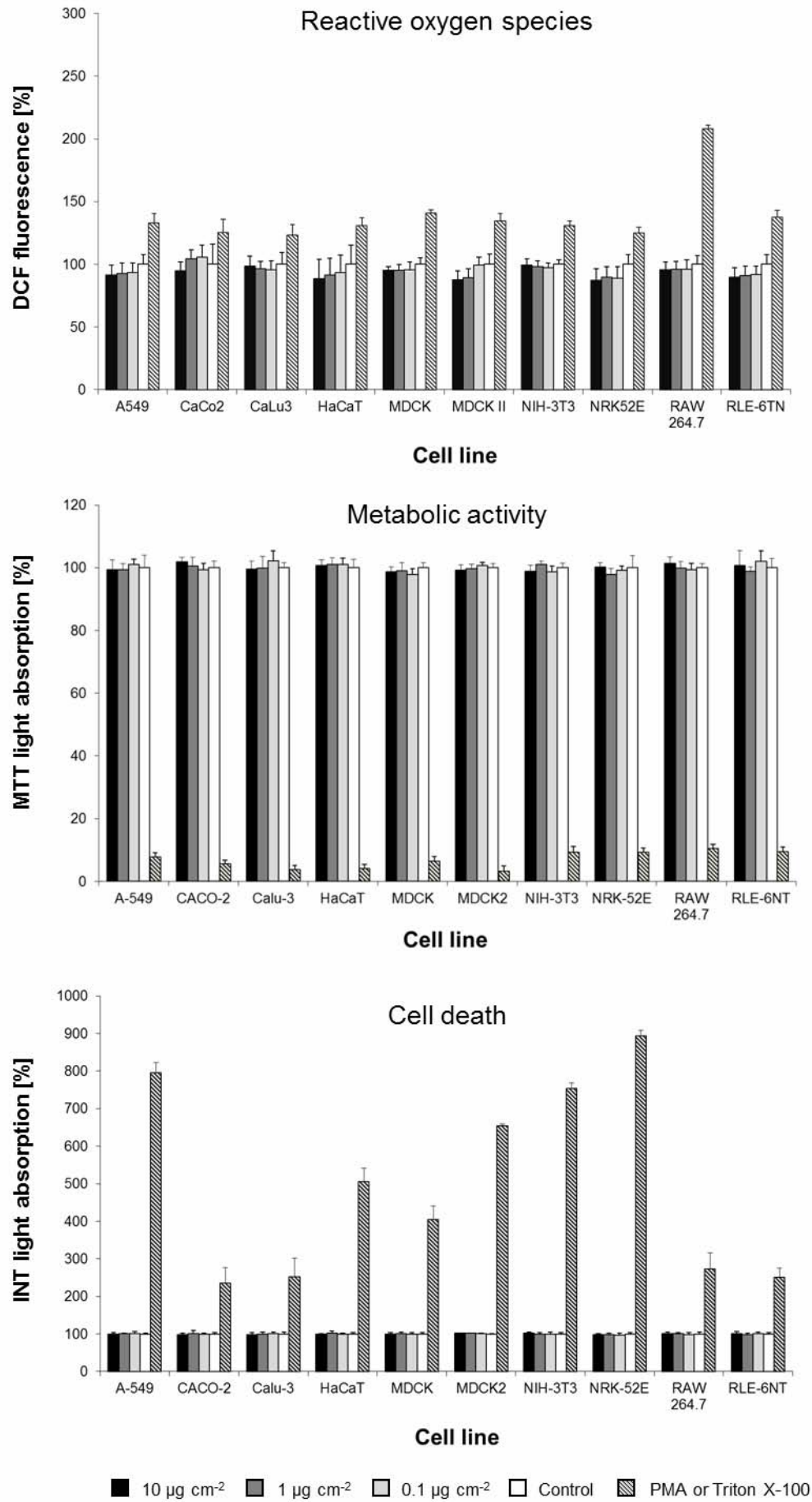


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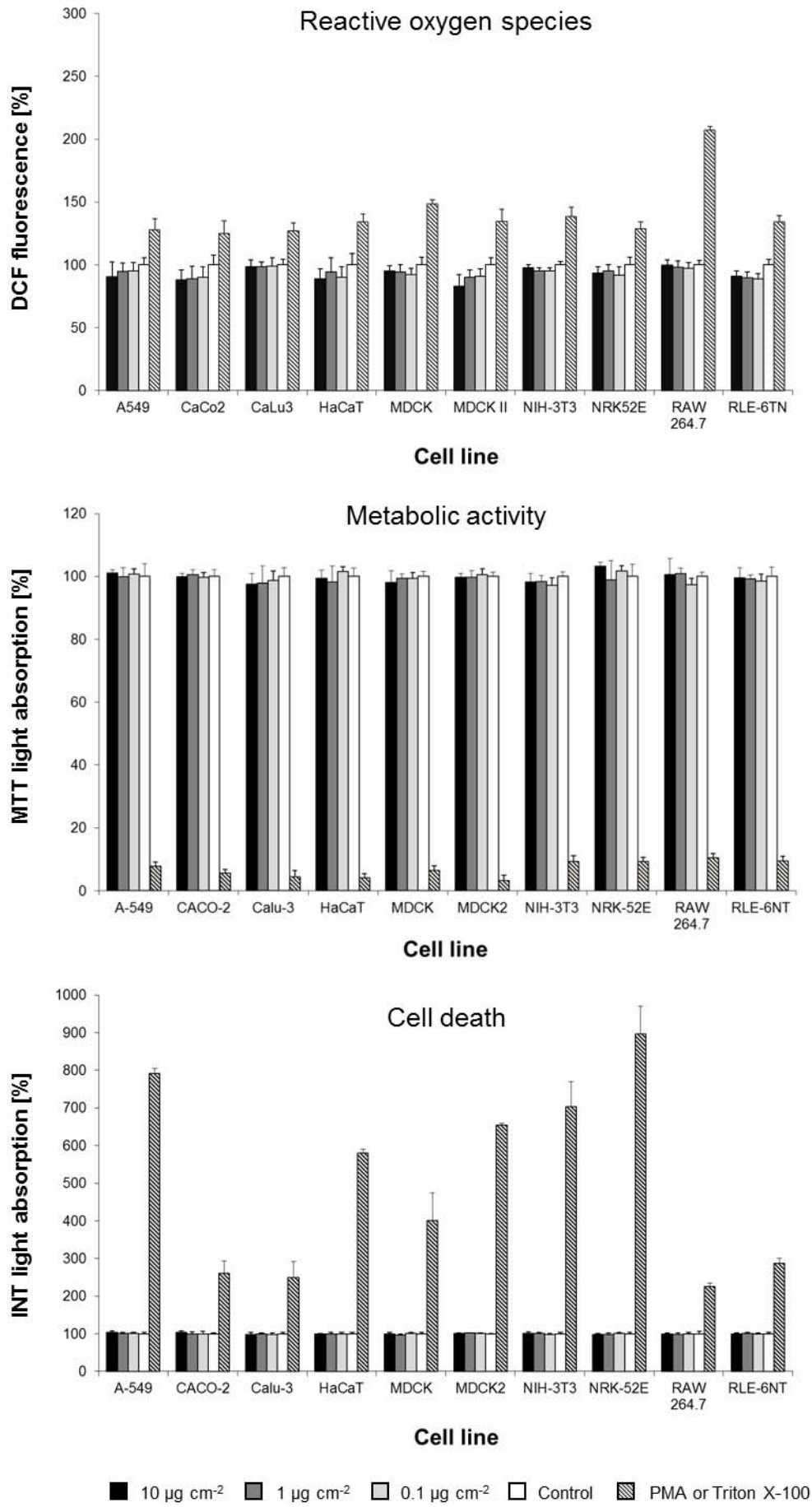
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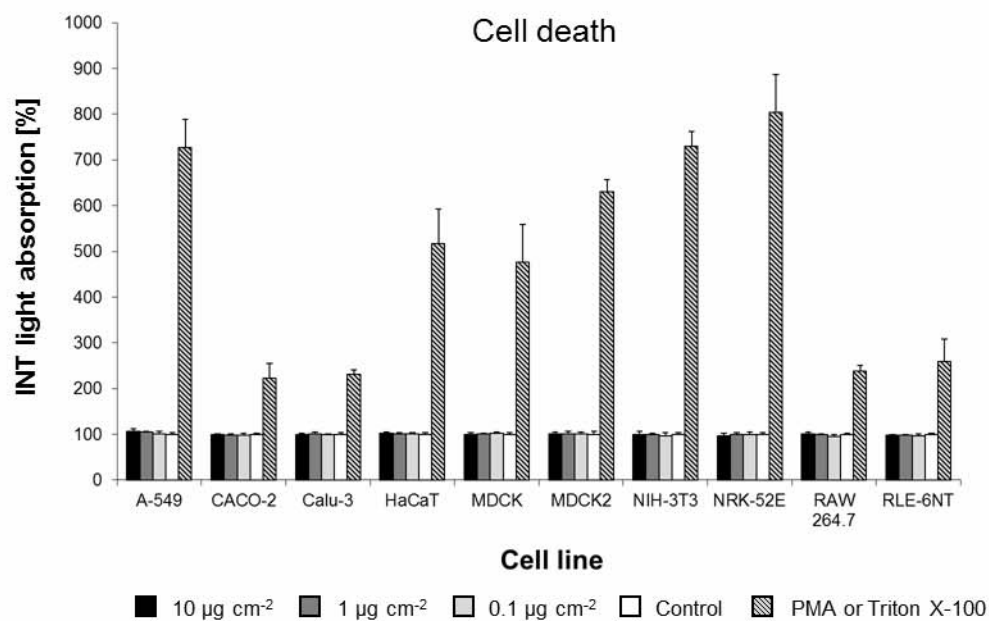
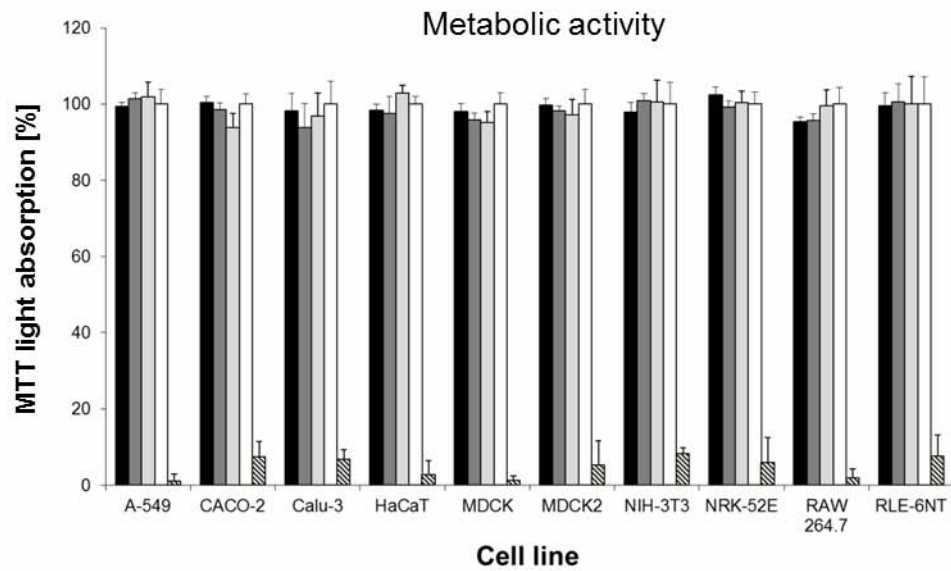
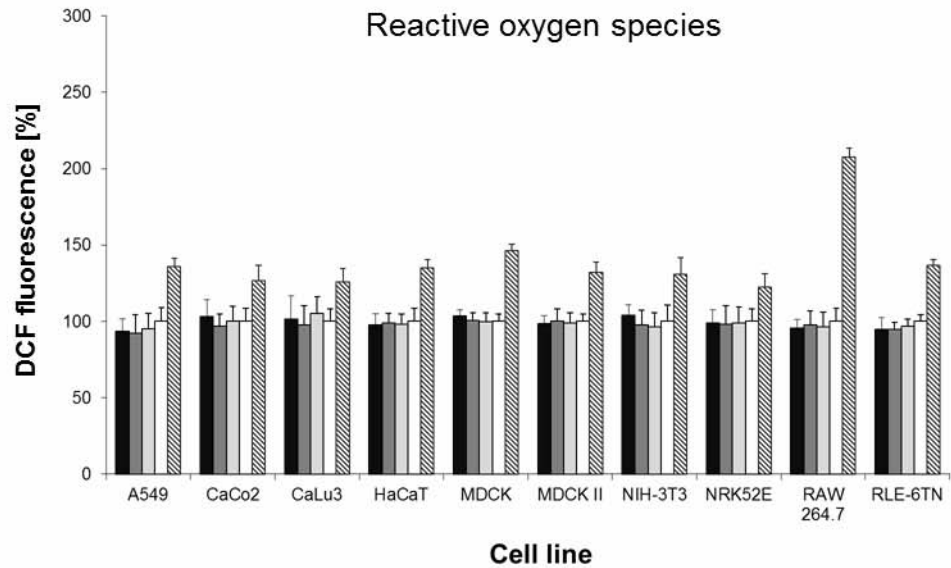


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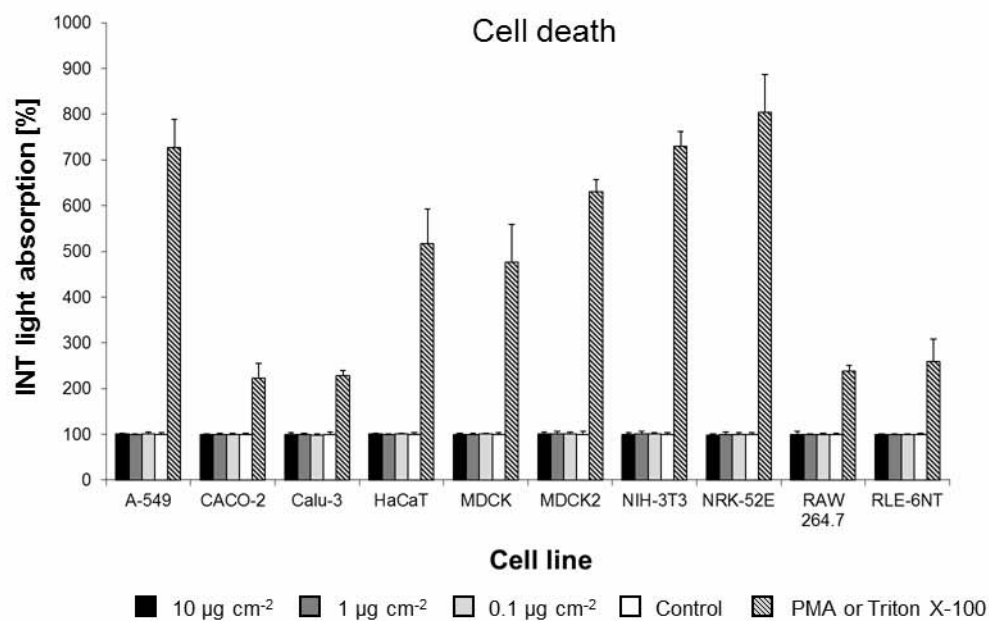
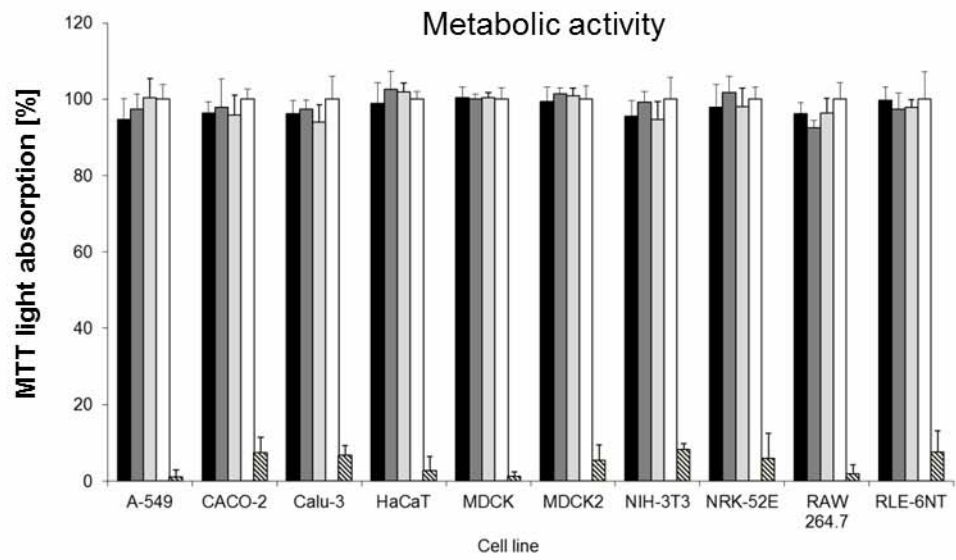
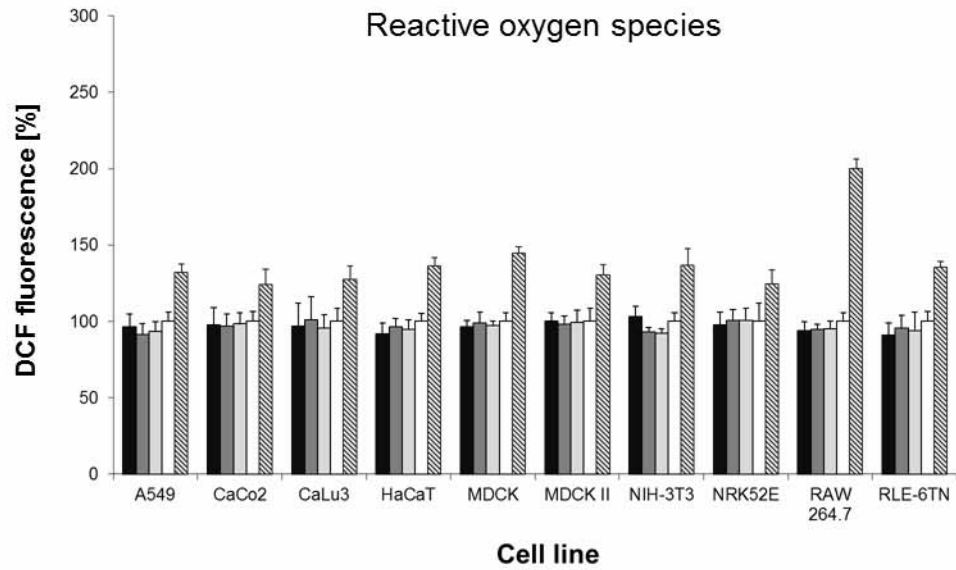
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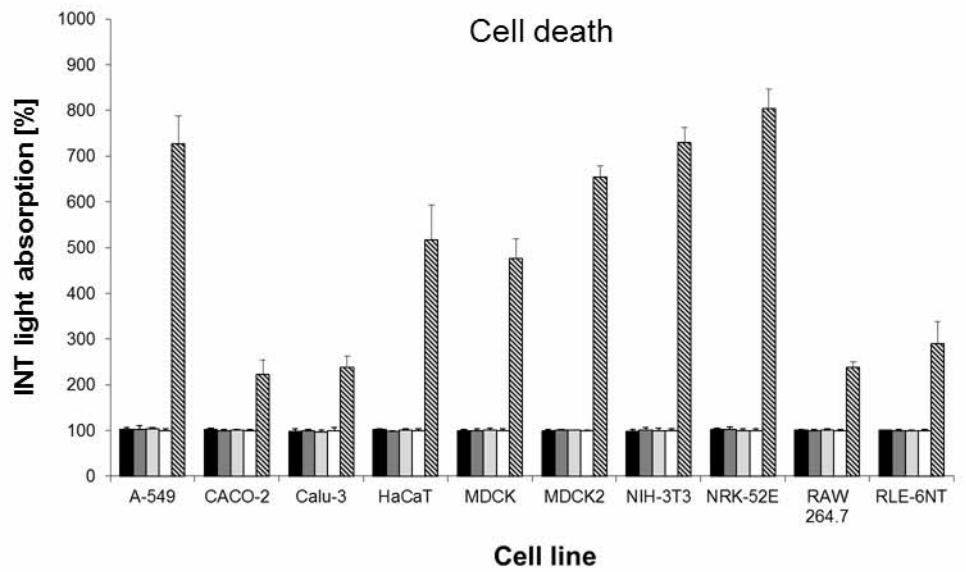
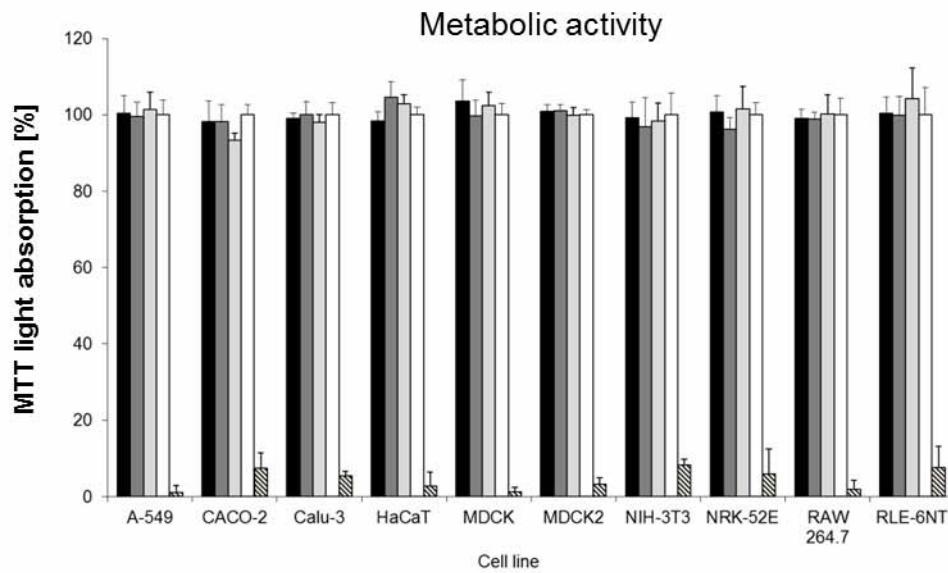
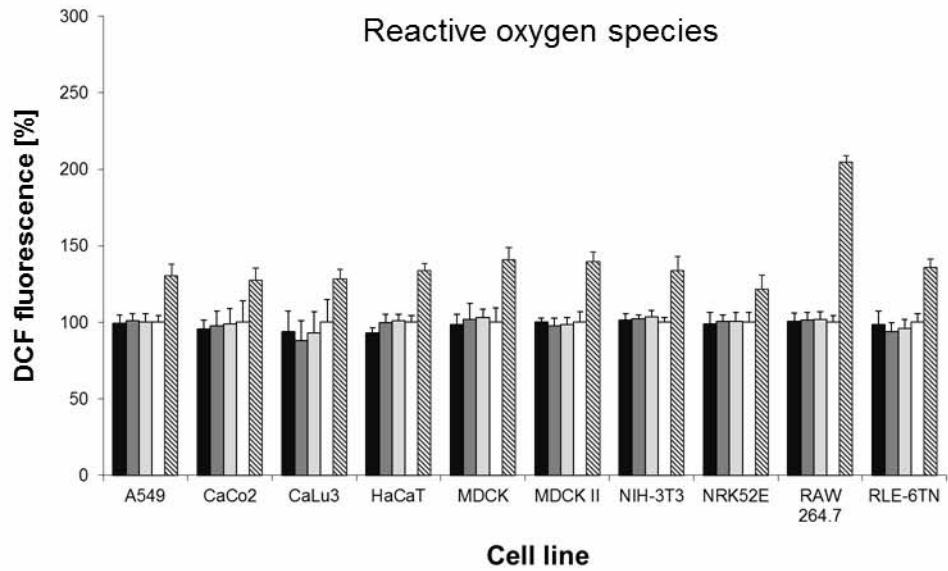
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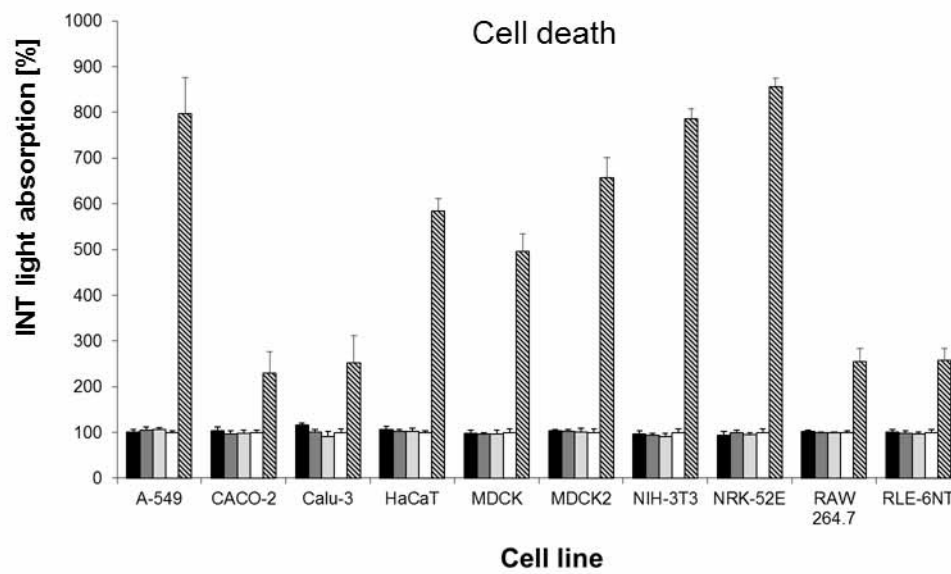
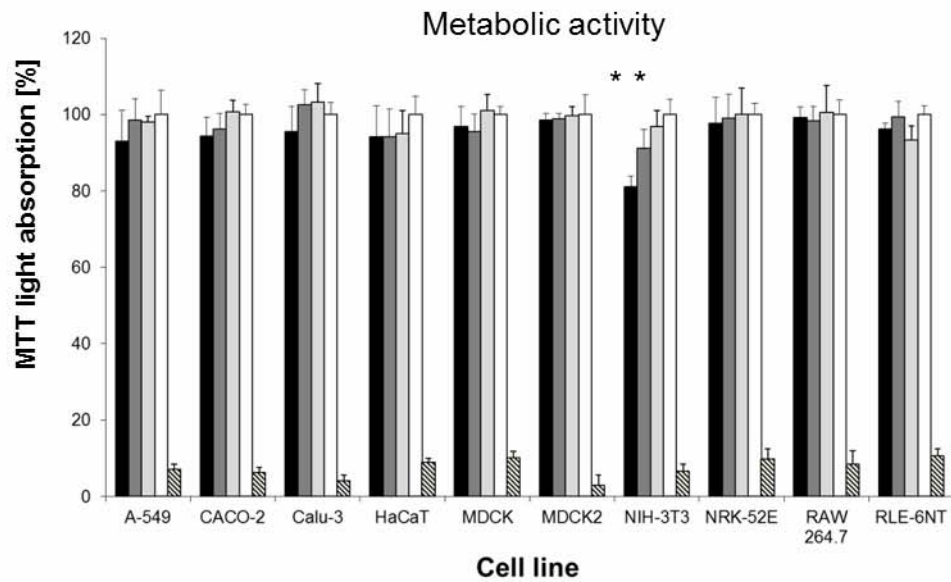
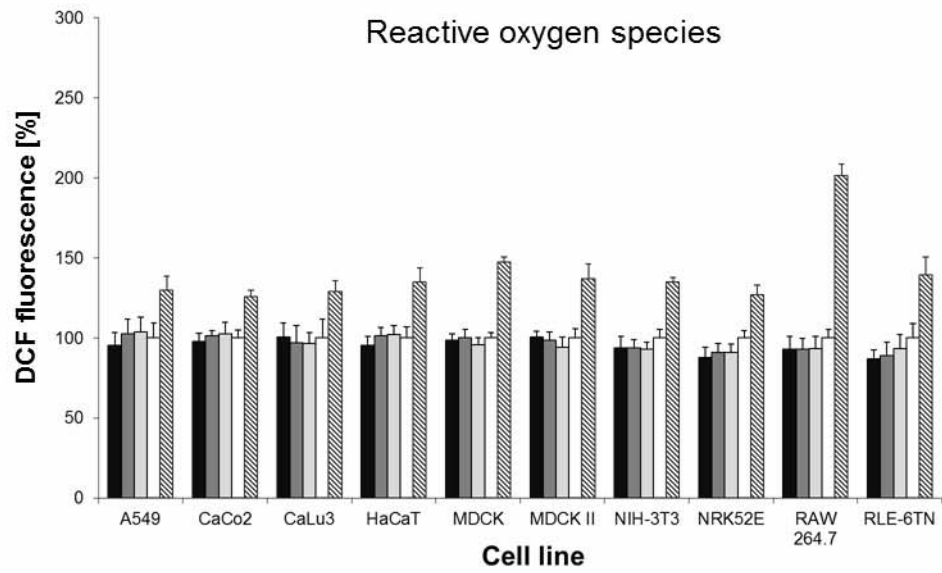
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■ 10 µg cm⁻² ■ 1 µg cm⁻² ■ 0.1 µg cm⁻² □ Control ▨ PMA or Triton X-100

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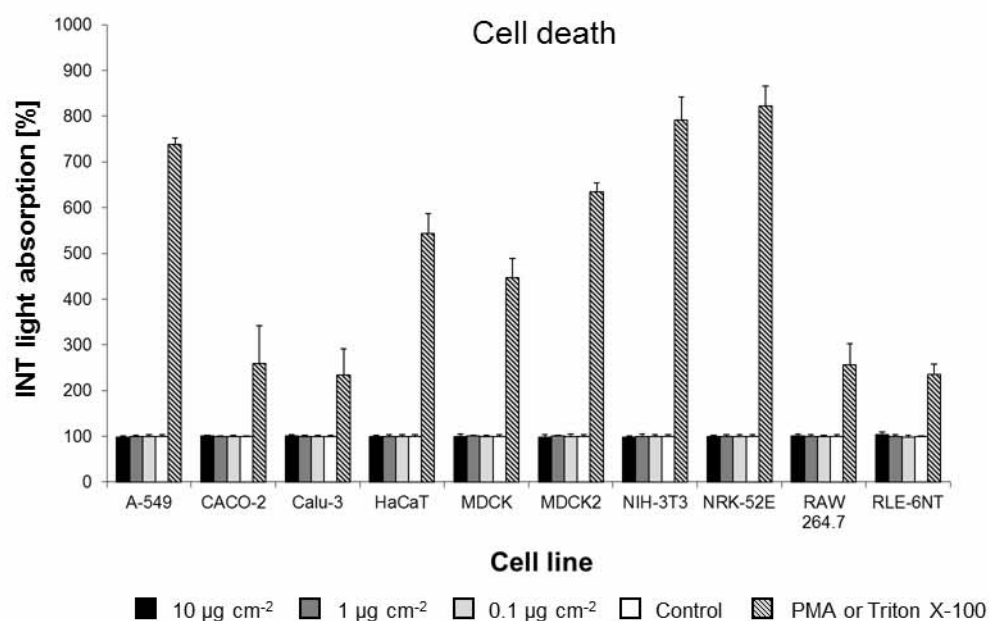
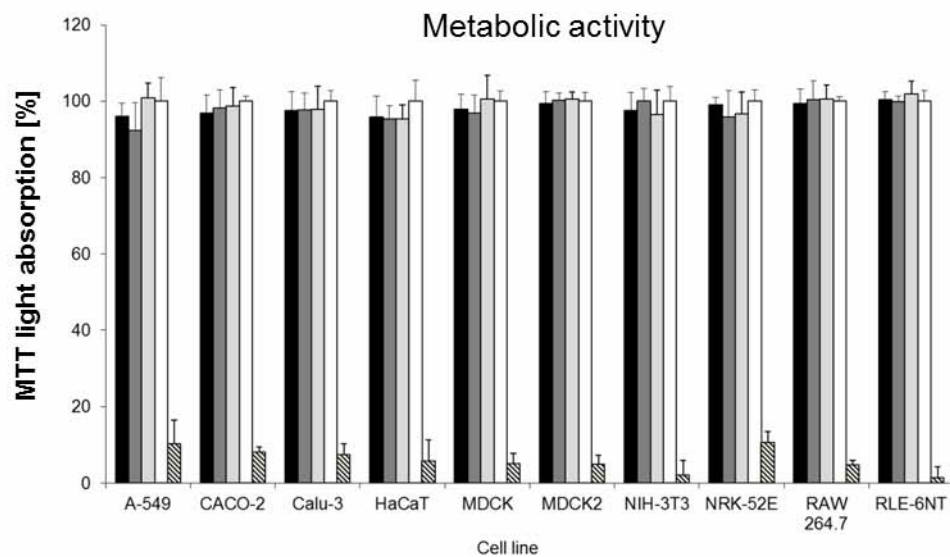
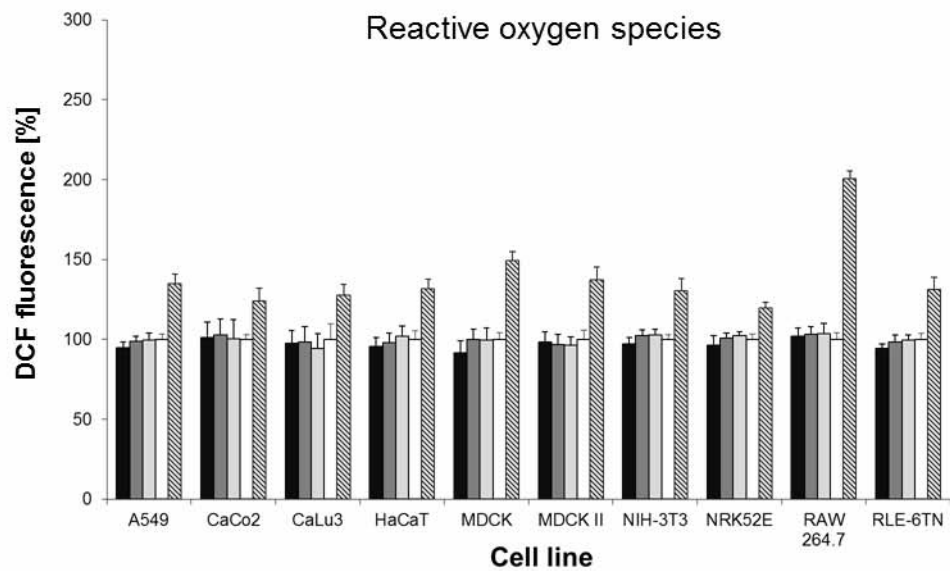
BaSO₄



10 µg cm⁻² 1 µg cm⁻² 0.1 µg cm⁻² Control PMA or Triton X-100

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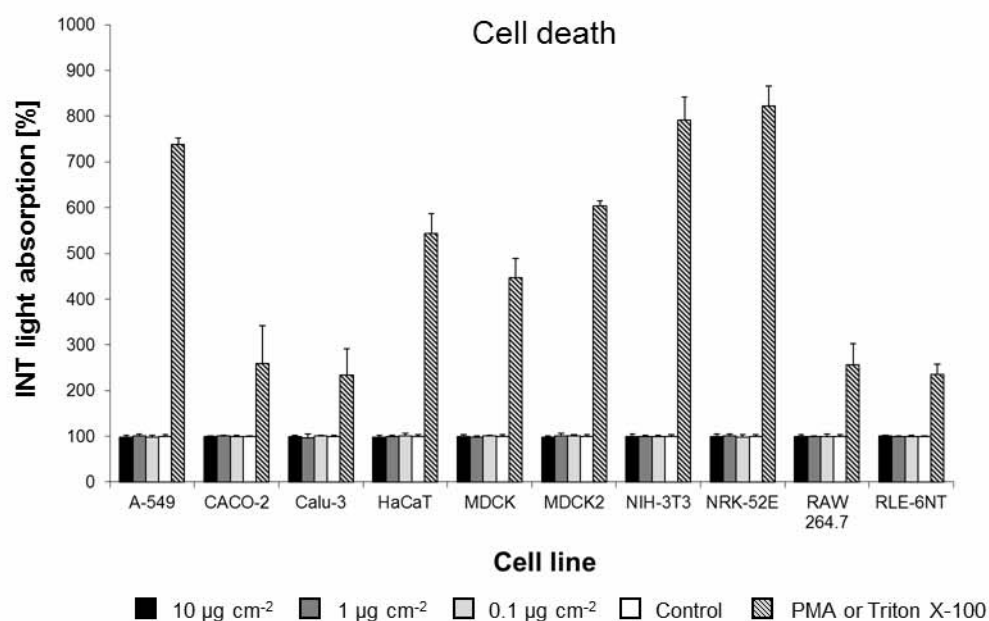
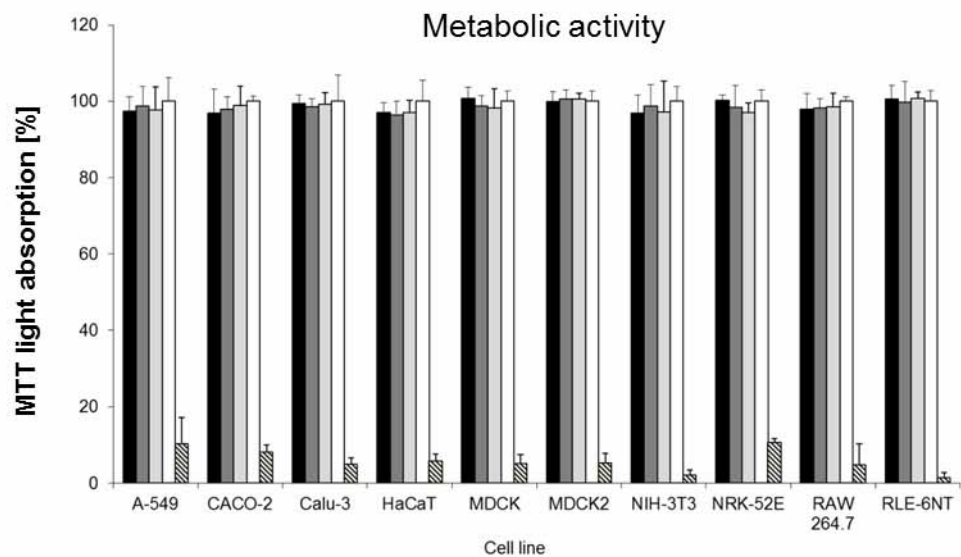
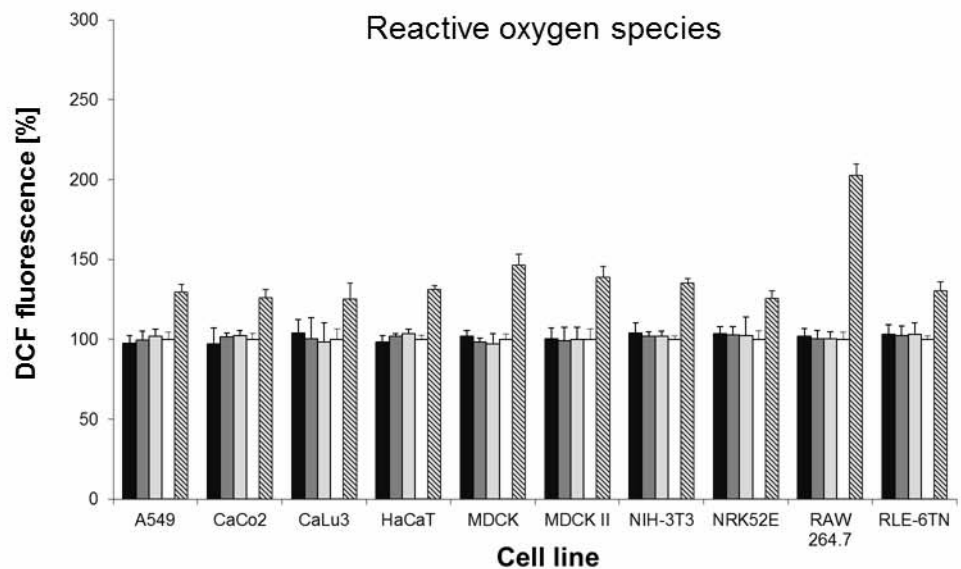


Figure S3. ROS formation (DCF fluorescence), metabolic activity (MTT light absorption), and cell death (INT light absorption) in ten cell lines exposed to different concentrations of A TiO_2 1, B TiO_2 2, [C TiO_2 3, Carbon Black, CeO₂ A, CeO₂ B, CeO₂ C, CeO₂ D], C CeO₂, D AlOOH I, E AlOOH II, F Ti-Zr1, G Ti-Zr 2, [H Ti-Zr 3], H Al-Ti-Zr 1, I Al-Ti-Zr 2, J Al-Ti-Zr 3, K ZrO₂ 1, L ZrO₂ 2, M ZrO₂ 3, [N BaSO₄], N SrCO₃ 1, O SrCO₃ 2 in DMEM / 10 % FBS or pure DMEM / 10 % FBS (Control) Data are expressed as % of control mean $\pm$ SD of three independent experiments with seven replications each.

Characterization of cell density and adhesion by Immunofluorescence Microscopy

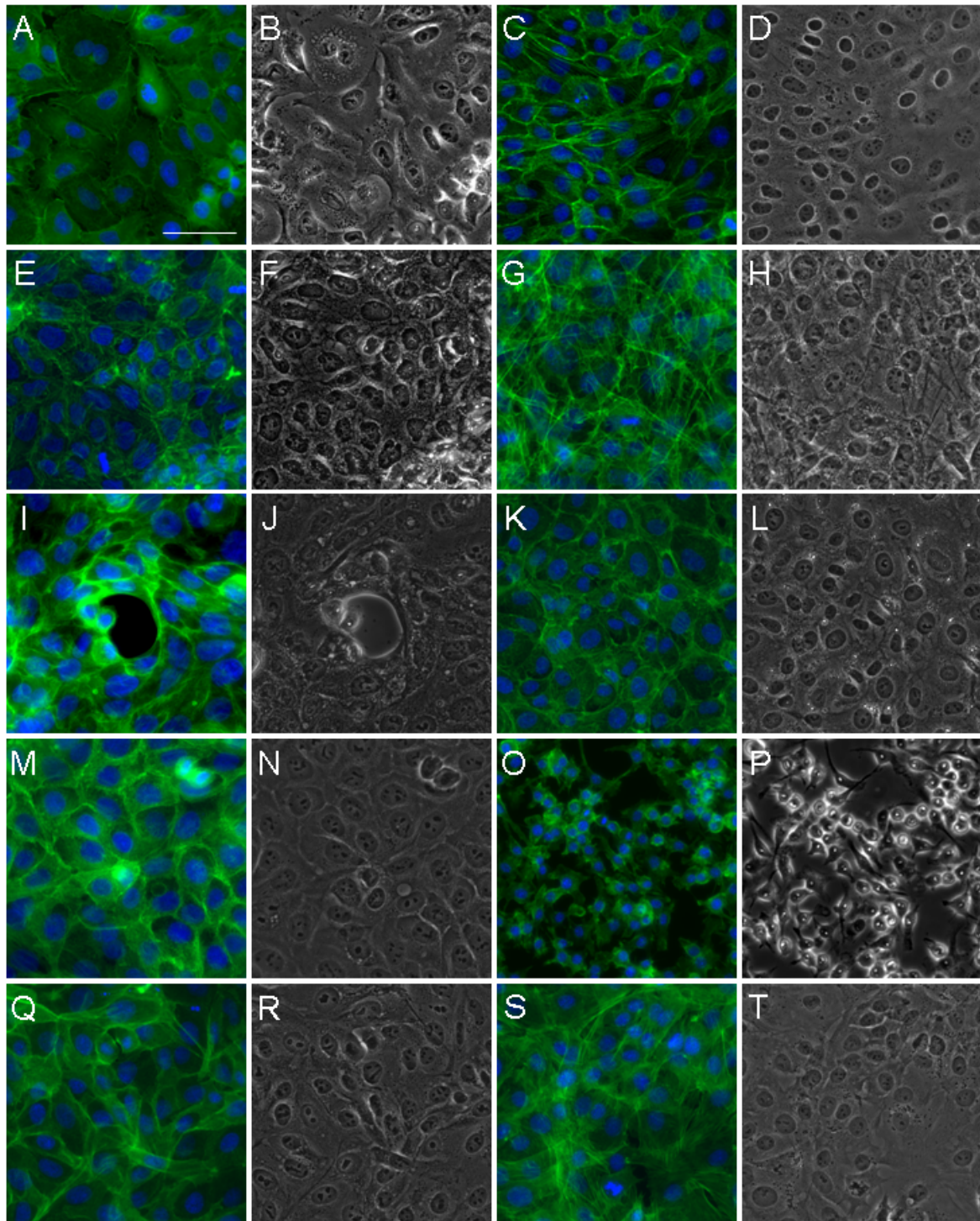


Figure S4. Fluorescence and phase contrast images of ten different cell lines. Cells were cultured on coverslips, fixated after 24 h, filamentous actin (FITC filter system, exposure time 1500ms) and nuclei (DAPI filter system, exposure time 50ms) were stained, respectively. A549 (A, B); MDCKII (C, D); CaCo2 (E, F); NIH-3T3 (G, H); CaLu-3 (I, J); NRK-52E (K, L); HaCaT (M, N); RAW264.7 (O, P); MDCK (Q, R); RLE-6TN (S, T). Images were background-corrected. Bar: 50 μ m