

SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGENDS

Fig. S1. Effect of sorafenib on the intracellular mitoxantrone accumulation in the MCF7/MX cells. mitoxantrone accumulation in parental MCF7/WT cells or MCF7/MX, which express wild-type ABCG2, following a 30 minute incubation in the absence or presence of sorafenib or Ko143 (2.5 μ M). The data are means \pm SD from three independent experiments (*P<0.01, compared with 0.1% DMSO vehicle).

Fig. S2. Chemo-sensitization of drug resistance by sorafenib in the MCF7/MX cells. MCF7/WT or MCF7/MX cells, which express ABCG2, were treated with or without IC₁₀ of mitoxantrone in the absence or presence of different concentrations of sorafenib or Ko143 (CH: 2.5 μ M; CM: 1.25 μ M; CL: 0.625 μ M) followed by SRB assay. The results are presented as survival rate of MDR cells relative to DMSO vehicle and shown as means \pm SD of three independent experiments. Ko143 was used as an ABCG2 inhibitor control

Fig. S3. Effect of sorafenib on ABCG2 expression level in the MCF7/MX cells. MCF7/MX cells, which express wild-type ABCG2, were treated with DMSO vehicle, 2.5 μ M PZ-38, or sorafenib at 1.25 μ M and 2.5 μ M concentrations for 3 days followed by western blot analysis for ABCG2 expression. PZ-38 was chosen as a positive control, while 0.1% DMSO was used as negative control.

Fig. S4. Inhibition of ABCG2 function by sorafenib on mitoxantrone efflux. HEK293/ABCG2 cells were incubated with increasing concentrations of sorafenib for 1 h followed by FACS analysis of mitoxantrone level. The data are presented as the mean mitoxantrone accumulation \pm S.D. (n=3), normalized to the mitoxantrone accumulation observed in resistant cells incubated with 2.5 μ M Ko143 (100% inhibition of ABCG2 function).