

1 **Gene expression profiling in peripheral blood cells of patients with**
2 **rheumatoid arthritis in response of anti-TNF-alpha treatments.**

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26 The efficacy of anti-TNF-alpha therapies highlights the role of TNF-alpha in the pathogenesis
27 of rheumatoid arthritis (RA). However the mechanism of action of these agents is poorly
28 understood at the molecular level. The aim of this study was to characterize the effects of anti-
29 TNF-alpha treatment on the global gene expression profile in peripheral blood mononuclear
30 cells (PBMCs) of responder RA patients. Changes in gene expression was determined using
31 oligonucleotide microarrays (25,341 genes) in PBMCs obtained before and after 12 weeks of
32 treatment with either etanercept or adalimumab from responder RA patients. Two hundred
33 fifty one genes displayed significant changes (FDR < 0.1%) in expression level (178 up-
34 regulations with mean fold change = 1.5 and 73 down-regulations with mean fold change = -
35 1.50) after 12 weeks of treatment. Importantly, the expression of several genes, including
36 those coding for the calcium binding proteins S100A12 and A8, CD14 antigen, Selectin P or
37 ribosomal protein L39, reported to be upregulated in RA patients, were found to be decreased
38 after anti-TNF-alpha treatment. Globally, inflammation, immune response, apoptosis, protein
39 synthesis and mitochondrial oxido-reduction were the most affected pathways in response to
40 anti-TNF-alpha treatment. The obtained gene expression signature in PBMCs provides new
41 information to better understand the mechanisms of action of anti-TNF-alpha treatment in RA
42 patients.

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46 The development of tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF-alpha) inhibitors has led to major
47 advances in the management of rheumatoid arthritis (RA). The efficacy of these therapies
48 highlights the key role of TNF-alpha in the pathogenesis of RA. No notable difference in
49 clinical efficacy was observed between the two classes of agents: anti-TNF-alpha antibody
50 (infliximab, adalimumab) and soluble TNF-alpha receptor (etanercept)(31). Both block TNF-
51 alpha actions, but the downstream molecular effects involved in the inhibition of the
52 inflammatory process of RA are not clearly understood (38).

53 To exert its complex actions on immune system, inflammation or apoptosis, TNF-alpha is
54 thought to control the expression of gene networks through the activation of intracellular
55 signalling pathways and specific transcription factors (18). The identification of these
56 transcriptional events using microarrays and large scale gene expression analysis can
57 therefore help to better understand the mechanisms of action of therapeutic agents, as
58 successfully performed in various chronic inflammatory diseases (23, 32). Studies of gene
59 expression have been also recently reported in patients with RA and Sjögren syndrome, in
60 peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) leading to identification of genes with altered
61 expression pattern using these cells (6, 7, 11, 12, 27, 35, 41). Therefore PBMCs can be chosen
62 as a relevant model for a transcriptomic investigation of RA since they express more than
63 75% of the human genome and, being an important part of the immune system, they can play
64 a central role in the pathogenesis of RA (16).

65 With the aim of gaining insight into the molecular events participating in the beneficial
66 effects of anti-TNF-alpha therapies in good responder RA patients, we performed microarray
67 gene expression profiling using oligonucleotide microarrays in PBMCs during treatment with
68 adalimumab and etanercept. PBMCs were isolated before and after 12 weeks of treatment in
69 RA patients showing a reduction in the Disease Activity Score 28 joints (DAS 28) as clinical
70 indicator of a good response to the therapy (14).

71 **Patients and methods**

72 *Patients.* Eight patients (8 women, mean age of 51±9 years and mean disease duration of 4.8
73 years), fulfilling the American Rheumatism Association 1987 revised criteria for RA (4) and
74 having an active RA disease (DAS28 > 5.1) were included. None has been treated with anti-
75 TNF-alpha before the study. During the study, the patients maintained the same doses of
76 methotrexate as used before. Four of them were treated (subcutaneous infusion of 25 mg at
77 initiation and every 2 weeks thereafter) with adalimumab (Humira[®], Abbott-France, France)
78 and the 4 others (subcutaneous infusion of 25 mg/kg at initiation and twice a week thereafter)
79 with etanercept (Enbrel[®], Wyeth-Lederlé, France). Before and after 12 weeks of anti-TNF-
80 alpha treatment, the number of swollen and tender joints, the patient's assessment of disease
81 activity (0 to 100 mm visual analogue scale) and the erythrocyte sedimentation rate in the first
82 hour, were recorded to calculate the DAS28. All patients were treatment responders because
83 either their DAS28 was lower than 3.2 or their DAS28 decreased of more than 1.2 after 12
84 weeks of treatment (25). Clinical and demographic characteristics of the RA patients are
85 reported in Table I. Informed consent was obtained from each of them. The study was
86 approved by the Research and the Ethical Committees of the Hospices Civils de Lyon.

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88 *PBMC isolation.* Ten mL samples of venous blood were collected before the first injection
89 of anti-TNF-alpha and after 12 weeks of treatment. Blood was drawn just prior to injection.
90 Samples were layered onto Ficoll-Paque Plus[®] (GEHealthcare Biosciences, Saclay, France)
91 and PBMCs were separated by density gradient centrifugation at 2,500 rpm at room
92 temperature for 20 min. The resulting buffy coat at the interface was added to 5 ml PBS, pH
93 7.4, (Invitrogen, Cergy-Pontoise, France) and cells were centrifuged at 1,000 rpm for 10 min
94 at room temperature. The pellets were stored at -80°C to be used for RNA extraction.

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96 *Total RNA preparation and amplification.* Total RNA was extracted from the PBMCs using
97 phenol/chloroform/ethanol procedure (9) and quantified by spectrophotometry. The 260/280
98 nm absorbance ratio were higher than 1.8. RNA integrity (28S/18S ratio) was determined with
99 the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer and RNA 6000 labChip Kit (Agilent Technologies, Massy,
100 France). Only total RNA preparations with a 28S/18S ratio above 1.7 were used for gene
101 expression analysis.

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103 *Probe labelling and microarray hybridization .* Total RNA (500ng) was amplified using the
104 Amino-Allyl-Message-Amp-II antisense RNA (aRNA) kit (Applied Biosystem, Courtaboeuf,
105 France), according to manufacturer's instructions. After purification using Rneasy Mini Kit
106 (Qiagen, Courtaboeuf, France), fluorescent probes synthesized by coupling of 5µg aminoallyl
107 aRNA with cyanine 3 or 5 dyes (GEHealthcare Biosciences), were fragmented with the 25X
108 RNA Fragmentation Reagents (Agilent Technologies, Massy, France) and hybridized in 2X
109 Agilent Hybridization Buffer (Agilent Technologies) in an Agilent oven at 62°C for 16 h to
110 human oligonucleotide microarrays produced by the French Genopole Network (RNG) (22).
111 This platform is referred to GPL1456 in GEO. Microarrays were washed and scanned with a
112 Genepix 4000B scanner (Molecular Devices Inc, Sunnyvale, CA, US) as previously reported
113 (27).

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115 *Microarray Analysis.* The human pangenomic oligonucleotide microarrays produced by
116 RNG consisted of oligonucleotides of 50mers printed on glass slides representing 25,341
117 distinct genes listed in the Unigene database (24). Images were analyzed using Genepix
118 Pro4.0 software (Molecular Devices Inc). The signal intensities of the microarray spots were
119 loaded to R, lowess normalized within arrays and log transformed using the limma package
120 from BioConductor (15). To compare results from the different subjects, data from each slide

121 were normalized in log-space to have a mean of zero using Cluster 3.0 software. Flagged
122 spots and spots with fluorescence intensities below 3-fold above the background for both dyes
123 were not taken into account. Only spots which passed these quality controls on all slides were
124 selected for analysis. Then 12,825 spots were used for further analysis. Microarrays data are
125 available in the GEO database under accession number GSE12897. The list of genes with
126 significant changes in mRNA levels in the PBMCs of the 8 good responders during the
127 treatment was determined using the one-class significance analysis of microarray (SAM)
128 procedure (39).

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130 *Real-time quantitative PCR.* First-strand cDNAs were synthesized from 500 ng of total
131 RNA in the presence of 100 units of Superscript II (Invitrogen, Cergy-Pointoise, France)
132 using a mixture of random hexamers and oligo (dT) primers (Promega, Charbonnières les
133 bains, France). Real-time PCR assays were performed using a Light-Cycler (Roche-
134 Diagnostics, Meylan, France) as previously reported (30). The list of the PCR primers is
135 presented in Supplementary Table 1.

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137 *Measurement of S100 proteins.* The serum levels of S100A8 were measured before and after
138 12 weeks of anti-TNF-alpha treatment using a sandwich immunoenzymatic technique
139 (ELISA) according to the manufacturer's instructions (Buhlmann, Schönenbuch,
140 Switzerland). The normal range was 0.5 to 5 µg/mL.

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142 *Statistical analysis*

143 Wilcoxon's test was used to compare S100A8 levels before and after 12 weeks of treatment.
144 Spearman's rank correlation coefficient was used to test correlation between the drop in DAS,
145 swollen joints or S100A8 mRNA and serum S100A8 levels. A *P* value of less than 0.05 was
146 considered statistically significant.

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148 **Results**

149 *The two anti-TNF-alpha therapies have similar effects on gene expression in PBMCs of RA*
150 *patients.* The patients were all responders, as assessed by the change in DAS28 at 12 weeks
151 (Table 1). The time period of 12 weeks was chosen according to the consensus statement on
152 biological agents for the treatment of RA (14). The decrease of DAS28 was similar for all the
153 patients (2.3 ± 0.7), independently from their treatment (Table 1).

154 No statistical difference could be observed between treatments by comparing the global
155 changes in gene expression in the subgroup treated by adalimumab and in the subgroup
156 treated by etanercept (supplementary Fig. 1).

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158 *Changes in PBMCs gene expression during anti-TNF-alpha therapies.* As there is no
159 difference between the gene profiles in the 8 RA patients after treatment either with
160 adalimumab or etanercept, the microarray data were further analysed for the 8 patients
161 together, to compare the expression of genes in PBMC before the initiation of the treatment
162 and 12 weeks after. With a False Discovery Rate of 0.1% and taking into account only genes
163 with fold change higher than 1.5 (both up- or down-regulated), the one-class SAM resulted in
164 the selection of 251 genes that were significantly regulated in response to the treatments, in a
165 similar manner in all the subjects. 178 and 73 genes were up-regulated and down-regulated
166 respectively. By manual assignment using SOURCE, Gene Ontology, OMIM and PUBMED,
167 we found functional annotation or information for more than 90% of the genes, allowing their
168 classification into functional groups (supplementary Table 2). The remaining genes (n=20)
169 were assigned as “unknown function”.

170 Among the classified genes, 31 were related to immune response and inflammation, 24
171 encoded ribosomal proteins, 24 corresponded to transcription factors, 19 were related to
172 oxido-reduction and electron transfer, including 6 members of the NADH dehydrogenase

173 complex 1 of the mitochondria, and 15 genes encoded proteins that could be involved in the
174 regulation of apoptosis (supplementary Table 2).

175 Table 2 shows the list of the 30 most up- and down-regulated genes during the anti-
176 TNFalpha treatments. This selection of highly regulated genes amplified the over-
177 representation of genes related to ribosomes (23%), immune response and inflammation
178 (20%) and apoptosis (15%).

179 To verify whether our manual assignment was correct and corresponded to significant
180 enrichments in functions or biological pathways, we then used the PANTHER classification
181 system (www.pantherdb.org). Among the 251 regulated genes, 192 had annotation in this
182 data-base. Table 3 shows the significantly enriched biological processes and molecular
183 functions found in the list of regulated genes by comparison to the 25,341 genes present on
184 the microarray. The same results were obtained when the NCBI whole human genome gene
185 list (25,431 genes with unique IDs) was used as a reference instead of the genes represented
186 on the microarray (data not shown). Although this analysis did not take into account all the
187 regulated genes, the data presented in Table 3 confirmed our manual classification and
188 demonstrated a significant impact of the anti-TNF alpha therapy on specific functional groups
189 of genes, mainly related to ribosomes and protein synthesis, immune response, oxido-
190 reduction and mitochondrial electron transfer.

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192 *Validation of microarray data using real-time PCR.* A validation of the microarray data
193 was performed using real-time quantitative PCR on a subset of 10 genes, focusing on the
194 candidate biomarkers in RA (S110A8, S100A12, CD14 and selectin P) (6, 7, 11, 41) and on
195 some genes known to play a role in immune response, inflammation or apoptosis and known
196 to be up-regulated in RA (IL1-Beta, TNF receptors) (21) .

197 The changes in mRNA expression detected using microarrays were confirmed for 9 out of the

198 10 tested genes (Table 4). Only the change in somatic cytochrome C was not verified. Of note,
199 regarding the TNF receptors, TNFR1 mRNA expression was decreased by anti-TNF-alpha
200 treatments, while expression of TNFR2 was not affected, as observed both on microarrays and
201 by quantitative PCR (Table 4).

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203 *Measurement of S100 proteins.* S100A8 serum level was significantly reduced after the
204 treatment with a decrease in all but 1 patient ($p = 0.015$) (Table 5). No significant correlation
205 was found between the changes in S100A8 serum levels and the changes in DAS28, number
206 of swollen joints or S100A8 mRNA measured by RT-qPCR ($p = 0.659$; $p = 0.140$; $p = 0.231$
207 respectively).

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209 **Discussion**

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211 Effectiveness of anti-TNF-alpha therapy in RA has recently strongly modified the
212 therapeutic approach and treatment paradigms of this disease. However, despite extensive
213 investigation, their mechanisms of action remain incompletely understood (1, 38). In the
214 present study, we used a global transcriptomic approach to characterize the changes in gene
215 expression in PBMCs of RA patients who successfully responded to anti-TNF-alpha
216 therapies. It was important to study patients with rather similar responses to the therapy to
217 avoid confounding effects due to differential treatment effectiveness. Despite the fact that
218 some patients still have high DAS28 at the end of the study, we did not observe major
219 difference in their individual gene expression response in PBMCs. There was also no
220 significant difference in the response to the two anti-TNF-alpha treatments (adalimumab or
221 etanercept).

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223 We demonstrated that 12 weeks of treatment modify the expression levels of 251 genes in
PBMCs, without significant difference between anti-TNF-alpha antibody (adalimumab) or

224 soluble TNF-alpha (etanercept) receptor. A majority of these genes were related to immune
225 response and inflammation, as it might be expected from inhibition of TNF-alpha actions.
226 However, several other functional groups also emerged, including genes encoding ribosomal
227 proteins, apoptosis, oxido-reduction and electron transfer.

228 We demonstrated that the treatment with anti-TNF-alpha modified the expression of 10 of
229 genes in opposite direction to observed alterations in previous studies comparing RA and
230 control subjects, suggesting restoration or improvement of the gene expression profile in
231 response to the therapy (6, 7, 11, 41). Among them, the genes coding for calgranulin C
232 (S100A12) and calgranulin A (S100A8), were strongly repressed in our study. S100 proteins
233 represent a new class of chemoattractants, which contribute to monocytic cells and leukocyte
234 migration in chronic inflammatory responses (43). S100A8 has also been associated with RA
235 pathogenesis as a possible amplifier of proinflammatory cytokine responses (28, 37).
236 Interestingly S100 A8 and A12 have been shown to be elevated in serum from patients with
237 established RA in comparison with healthy controls (9). In addition, S100A8 has been shown
238 to be a marker of subclinical disease activity and relapse in patients with juvenile idiopathic
239 arthritis (13, 34). We demonstrated in our study that there is a clear decrease of S100A8 serum
240 level in 7 out of 8 patients following the 12 weeks anti-TNF alpha treatment. However, we did
241 not find correlation between changes in S100A8 mRNA levels in PBMC and serum levels.
242 This lack of correlation could be due to several factors, such as the regulation of S100A8
243 production in other tissue (44) or eventually the regulation of the protein stability in the
244 plasma. Nevertheless, since circulating levels of S100A8 proteins could be reliable markers of
245 inflammation it will be of interest to determine whether they can also be novel biomarkers of
246 effectiveness of anti-TNF-alpha treatment between responder and non-responder RA patients.

247 TNF-alpha therapy also affected the expression of 4 other genes, selectin P (SELP),
248 lysosomal-associated membrane protein 1 (LAMP1), ferritin heavy polypeptide 1 (FTH1) and

249 vestigial like 4 (VGLL4), found deregulated in PBMCs and in synovia from RA patients (6, 7,
250 11, 26, 41). An increase in the levels of SELP and FTH1 has been detected in SF from RA
251 (19, 33). SELP and LAMP1 have also been shown to mediate leucocytes migration to sites of
252 inflammation (20, 29). Anti-TNF-alpha treatment may thus diminish leucocyte migration,
253 reducing the local synovial inflammation.

254 The strong impact of the anti-TNF-alpha agents by inhibiting the expression of these
255 genes emphasize the importance of the leucocyte migration pathway in the pathogenesis of
256 RA disease. Interestingly a recent study reported that increased expression of B cell genes as
257 we found for CD79A, could reflect a block of migration of B cells to the tissue (40).

258 In addition to these genes, we found that TNF-alpha inhibitors affected the expression of a
259 number of other genes related to the immune response and/or inflammation. The gene coding
260 for Interleukin-1beta (IL-1b), was down-regulated and this effect might be important for the
261 effectiveness of anti-TNF-alpha treatment as the serum concentration of IL-1b is significantly
262 increased in RA (3). Expression of the gene coding CXCL1, the chemokine (C-X-C motif)
263 ligand 1, described to be up-regulated in an autoimmune model of RA was here decreased,
264 thus indicating that TNF-alpha blockade can reduce the expression of various pro-
265 inflammatory factors (2).

266 Anti-TNF-alpha treatment seemed also to affect the ribosome biogenesis pathway with 24
267 genes coding for various ribosomal components differentially expressed after anti-TNF-alpha
268 treatment in our study. The expression of RPL39, shown to be up-regulated in PBMCs of RA
269 patients (11) was significantly reduced after treatment in our study. In a recent report, some
270 other ribosomal components identified in our study (RPS16 and MRPL) were shown to be
271 differentially expressed following anti-TNF-alpha treatment (27). Interestingly, the expression
272 of the gene coding for bystin (BYSL) was also increased after anti-TNF-alpha treatment while
273 it has been shown to be down-regulated in PBMCs from RA patients (6). It has been reported

274 that bystin promotes cell proliferation by facilitating ribosome biogenesis, specifically the
275 production of the 40S subunit (28). All together, these data strongly suggest that TNF-alpha
276 inhibitors affect regulatory pathways involved in the control of translation and protein
277 synthesis. Further studies are required to define the role of this pathway in anti-TNF alpha
278 response.

279 Another important pathway that is affected by anti-TNF-alpha treatment is the
280 programmed cell death process that plays a critical role in the development of RA (5, 10, 42).
281 A pro-apoptotic role of the treatment can be suggested by the up-regulation of the gene coding
282 the protein AIM2 (Absent in melanoma 2) that was shown to induce tumor cell apoptosis (8).
283 However, increased expression of other genes (BIRC7, FAIM2, TXNDC5) that code for
284 proteins involved in anti-apoptosis processes and decreased expression of pro-apoptotic genes
285 (TNFRSF10C, NGFRAP1, SNCA) were demonstrated in our study (17, 36). These contrasting
286 observations on apoptosis-related genes illustrated the complexity of the regulation of this
287 process in inflammatory disease.

288 Previous transcriptomic studies recently reported sets of genes with distinct regulation in
289 PBMCs between responder and non-responder RA patients to anti-TNF-alpha treatment (22,
290 27, 35). Compared to our results, there was a consistent variation in up-regulation in transcript
291 levels of 3 genes (PSMB9, COX7A2L and RPL35) (27) and downregulation in transcript
292 levels of 2 genes (IL1B, SNCA) (22). Regarding the list of predictors of good response
293 several interferon related genes were identified (35). No gene from this report was found to be
294 regulated in our study except IFI27 (interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27). IFNs are known
295 to be important immune system mediators that initiate or modulate autoimmunity and tissue
296 damage through diverse actions on cells with immune function.

297 It would be interesting to know how the panel of genes identified in our study is regulated
298 in non-responder RA patients in order to assess whether the changes in the expression levels

299 of some genes are not only a consequence of a general anti-TNF-alpha response but are also
300 directly linked with the clinical benefits of the treatment. Here, only good responders were
301 explored. Additional studies with different groups and with more subjects are now needed to
302 go further and validate the hypotheses emerging from the present work. Further studies will
303 be also required to better characterize patient subsets or to define more precisely biomarkers
304 of outcome and response to anti-TNF therapies.

305 In conclusion, the present study provides, for the first time, a global transcriptomic analysis
306 of the response to anti-TNF-alpha treatment in PBMCs of RA patients. Using oligonucleotide
307 microarray, we identified 251 genes with significant regulation of expression after 12 weeks
308 of TNF-alpha blockade with either etanercept or adalimumab. Functional analysis of the
309 regulated genes revealed that immune response, inflammation, apoptosis, protein synthesis
310 and mitochondrial electron transfer were the most affected pathways in PBMCs during
311 therapy and confirmed a major impact of anti-TNF-alpha on inflammatory processes.
312 Although this initial study will require confirmation and extension in a larger study, the
313 obtained results confirm the potential feasibility and usefulness of using a genomic approach
314 in PBMC of RA patients to gain insight into the molecular defects of this pathology and into
315 the mechanisms of action of the anti-TNF-alpha therapies.

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486 **Table 1** Demographic and clinical data of patients
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Parameter	Patie nt 1	Patie nt 2	Patient 3	Patient 4	Patient 5	Patient 6	Patient 7	Patient 8
Age (year)	49	67	53	38	55	50	41	57
RA duration (years)	3	13	6	1	1	4	4	6
Anti-TNF alpha								
Treatment	Ada	Ada	Eta	Eta	Eta	Eta	Ada	Ada
Methotrexate (mg/week)	15	15	12.5	15	15	12.5	10	15
Steroids (mg/day)	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-
ACPA (baseline)	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos
RF (baseline)	pos	neg	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos	pos
DAS 28 (baseline)	5.12	6.48	7.02	5.97	6.85	5.13	5.21	6.48
DAS 28 (12 weeks)	2.84	2.78	5.40	3.71	4.32	3.47	2.81	4.49
ΔDAS 28	- 2.26	- 3.70	-1.62	-2.26	-2.53	-1.66	-2.40	-1.99

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Abbreviation :Ada, Adalimumab ; Eta, Etanercept, DAS = Disease Activity Score; The DAS28 considers 28 tender and swollen joint counts, general health (patient assessment of disease activity using a 100 mm visual analogue scale) and the erythrocyte sedimentation rate in the first hour; ACPA: anti-citrullinated peptide antibodies; RF: rheumatoid factor; pos: positive; neg:negative.

494 **Table 2** List of the most regulated genes in PBMCs during anti-TNF-alpha therapy.
 495 **A- List of the 30 most up-regulated genes**
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<i>INTERNATIONAL ID</i>	<i>GENE NAME</i>	<i>SYMBOL</i>	<i>FOLD CHANGE</i>
12577	Interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27	IFI27	3.58
57066	Immunoglobulin J polypeptide	IGJ	3.09
27656	Proapoptotic caspase adaptor protein	PACAP	2.36
172818	Thioredoxin domain containing 5	TXNDC5	2.33
101332	CD79a molecule, immunoglobulin-associated alpha	CD79A	2.15
87376	Ribosomal protein L5	RPL5	2.05
85906	Immunoglobulin kappa constant	IGKC	2.00
77769	Immunoglobulin heavy constant gamma 1 (G1m marker)	IGHG1	1.99
95294	Lactate dehydrogenase B	LDHB	1.94
58441	Testis expressed sequence 261	TEX261	1.93
36999	Mitochondrial ribosomal protein S12	MRPS12	1.88
19319	Cytoplasmic FMR1 interacting protein 2	CYFIP2	1.88
17996	Killer cell lectin-like receptor subfamily K, member 1	KLRK1	1.87
40185	Polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide L, 7.6kDa	POLR2L	1.83
36942	Ribosomal protein L36a	RPL36A	1.83
87389	Ribosomal protein L18	RPL18	1.81
57479	Selenoprotein M	SELM	1.81
171646	Eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 beta 2	EEF1B2	1.81
93719	Ribosomal protein SA	RPSA	1.80
131476	Tumor necrosis factor, alpha-induced protein 8	TNFAIP8	1.80
5422	Mitochondrial ribosomal protein L33	MRPL33	1.79
7844	CD81 molecule	CD81	1.79
106068	Baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 7 (livin)	BIRC7	1.79
49123	Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) A receptor, gamma 3	GABRG3	1.78
97600	Ras-related C3 botulinum toxin substrate 2	RAC2	1.77
38690	Proline dehydrogenase (oxidase) 2	PRODH2	1.76
6499	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 4, 15kDa	NDUFB4	1.76
19948	Fas apoptotic inhibitory molecule 2	FAIM2	1.75
47818	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, gamma interacting protein 1	GADD45 GIP1	1.75
13180	CD164 molecule, sialomucin	CD164	1.75

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500 **Table 2** List of the most regulated genes in PBMCs during anti-TNF-alpha therapy.

501 **B- List of the 30 most down-regulated genes**

<i>INTERNATIONAL ID</i>	<i>GENE NAME</i>	<i>SYMBOL</i>	<i>FOLD CHANGE</i>
8707	Potassium inwardly-rectifying channel, subfamily J, member 4	KCNJ4	-3.80
40554	Prokineticin 2	PROK2	-3.39
73003	Ferritin, heavy polypeptide 1	FTH1	-3.20
14117	FBJ murine osteosarcoma viral oncogene homolog B	FOSB	-3.08
98155	Tumor protein, translationally-controlled 1	TPT1	-3.01
87362	Prostaglandin-endoperoxide synthase 2	PTGS2	-2.81
99252	S100 calcium binding protein A8 (calgranulin A)	S100A8	-2.75
7423	Beta-2-microglobulin	B2M	-2.59
12678	S100 calcium binding protein A12 (calgranulin C)	S100A12	-2.43
169581	Ribosomal protein L41	RPL41	-2.41
66498	Keratin associated protein 13-1	KRTAP13-1	-2.33
88992	Ribosomal protein L19	RPL19	-2.26
88435	Interleukin 1, beta	IL1B	-2.22
169722	Synuclein, alpha (non A4 component of amyloid precursor)	SNCA	-2.13
87423	Ribosomal protein S6	RPS6	-2.03
29497	Erythroid associated factor	ERAF	-2.02
90570	Ribosomal protein S29	RPS29	-2.01
78590	Lysozyme (renal amyloidosis)	LYZ	-2.00
7867	Chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 2 (versican)	CSPG2	-1.99
101364	Dual specificity phosphatase 6	DUSP6	-1.98
88452	CD14 molecule	CD14	-1.96
90532	Ribosomal protein L37	RPL37	-1.91
146540	Taste receptor, type 2, member 38	TAS2R38	-1.87
87403	Ribosomal protein L32	RPL32	-1.87
90560	Ribosomal protein S16	RPS16	-1.86
12508	Potassium voltage-gated channel, Isk-related family, member 3	KCNE3	-1.86
87380	Ribosomal protein L6	RPL6	-1.84
10742	Hemoglobin, zeta	HBZ	-1.84
20921	Nerve growth factor receptor (TNFRSF16) associated protein 1	NGFRAP1	-1.82
10879	Nuclear receptor coactivator 4	NCOA4	-1.80

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504 **Table 3** Biological processes and molecular functions over-represented among the list of
 505 regulated genes in PBMCs during anti-TNF-alpha therapy.

506 Analyses were performed using PANTHER classification system (www.pantherdb.org). The reference gene list
 507 consists in the list of with 25,341 genes present on the microarray. Expected is the number of genes randomly
 508 expected for the PANTHER category based on the reference list, and Ratio corresponds to the number of
 509 regulated genes divided by the expected number. The P values were determined using the Bonferroni correction
 510 for multiple testing.
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Biological Process

	Reference	Regulated genes	Expected	Ratio	P value
Protein biosynthesis	591	24	5.76	4.17	8.73E-07
Protein metabolism and modification	3040	58	29.65	1.96	1.22E-05
MHCI-mediated immunity	22	6	0.21	7	2.11E-05
Immunity and defense	1318	30	12.85	2.33	5.14E-04
Oxidative phosphorylation	78	7	0.76	9.21	2.04E-03
T-cell mediated immunity	194	10	1.89	5.29	3.77E-03
Electron transport	252	10	2.46	4.07	6.77E-03

Molecular Function

	Reference	Regulated genes	Expected	Ratio	P value
Nucleic acid binding	2850	56	27.79	2.02	7.43E-06
Ribosomal protein	465	19	4.53	4.19	3.60E-05
Major histocompatibility complex	46	5	0.45	1	1.63E-02
Oxidoreductase	603	15	5.88	2.55	2.84E-02
Defense/immunity protein	369	11	3.60	3.06	3.31E-02

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523 **Table 4** Comparison of microarray results with real-time RT-PCR

524 The fold changes in mRNA levels during the anti-TNF treatments were measured in PBMCs from 8 RA patients.
 525 RT-qPCR was performed as indicated in the Method section. Values were corrected by the mRNA level of
 526 hypoxanthine phosphoribosyl transferase (HPRT) used as a reference gene. P values were determined using a
 527 paired t-test. NS: non significantly regulated on the microarray.

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<i>GENE NAME</i>	<i>SYMB OL</i>	Microarray	RT-qPCR	
		<i>Fold change</i>	<i>Fold Change</i>	<i>p value</i>
S100 calcium binding protein A8 (calgranulin A)	S100 A8	-2.75	-1.97 ± 0.23	0.011
S100 calcium binding protein A12 (calgranulin C)	S100 A12	-2.43	-1.61 ± 0.29	0.007
Selectin P ligand	SLEP	-1.50	-2.22 ± 0.31	0.005
CD14 antigen	CD14	-1.96	-1.92 ± 0.14	0.0001
Interleukin 1, beta	IL1B	-2.22	-2.63 ± 0.79	0.005
CCAAT/enhancer binding protein (C/EBP), delta	CEBP D	-1.62	-1.89 ± 0.23	0.005
TNF receptor 1	TNFR 1	-1.57	-1.38 ± 0.08	0.0005
TNF receptor 2	TNFR 2	NS	1.4 ± 0.46	0.369
Ribosomal protein L5	RPL5	2.05	1.58 ± 0.21	0.006
Cytochrome c, somatic	CYCS	1.59	1.04 ± 0.21	0.485

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532 **Table 5:** Measurement of serum level of S100 A8 proteins during anti-TNF-alpha therapy

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Parameter	Patient 1	Patie nt 2	Patient 3	Patie nt 4	Patient 5	Patient 6	Patient 7	Patient 8
Serum level of S100A8 protein µg/mL (baseline)	449	405	1122	849	2521	1571	1221	1287
Serum level of S100A8 protein µg/mL(12 weeks)	479	351	512	160	655	453	741	352
Δ Serum level of S100A8 protein µg/mL	+30	-54	-610	-689	-1866	-1118	-480	-935
Δ S100A8 mRNA level	-4.30	-	-2.81	-	-2.82	-1.27	-1.13	-1.88
Δ Swollen joints number	-14	-11	-15	-13	-15	-14	-15	-17
ΔDAS 28	- 2.26	-	- 1.62	-	- 2.53	- 1.66	- 2.40	- 1.99
Anti-TNFalpha treatment	Ada	Ada	Eta	Eta	Eta	Eta	Ada	Ada

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536 **Supplementary Material**

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538 Table 1: List of the PCR primers

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540 Table 2: List of the 251 genes significantly regulated after 12 weeks of anti-TNF alpha treatments in the PBMCs

541 of RA patients.

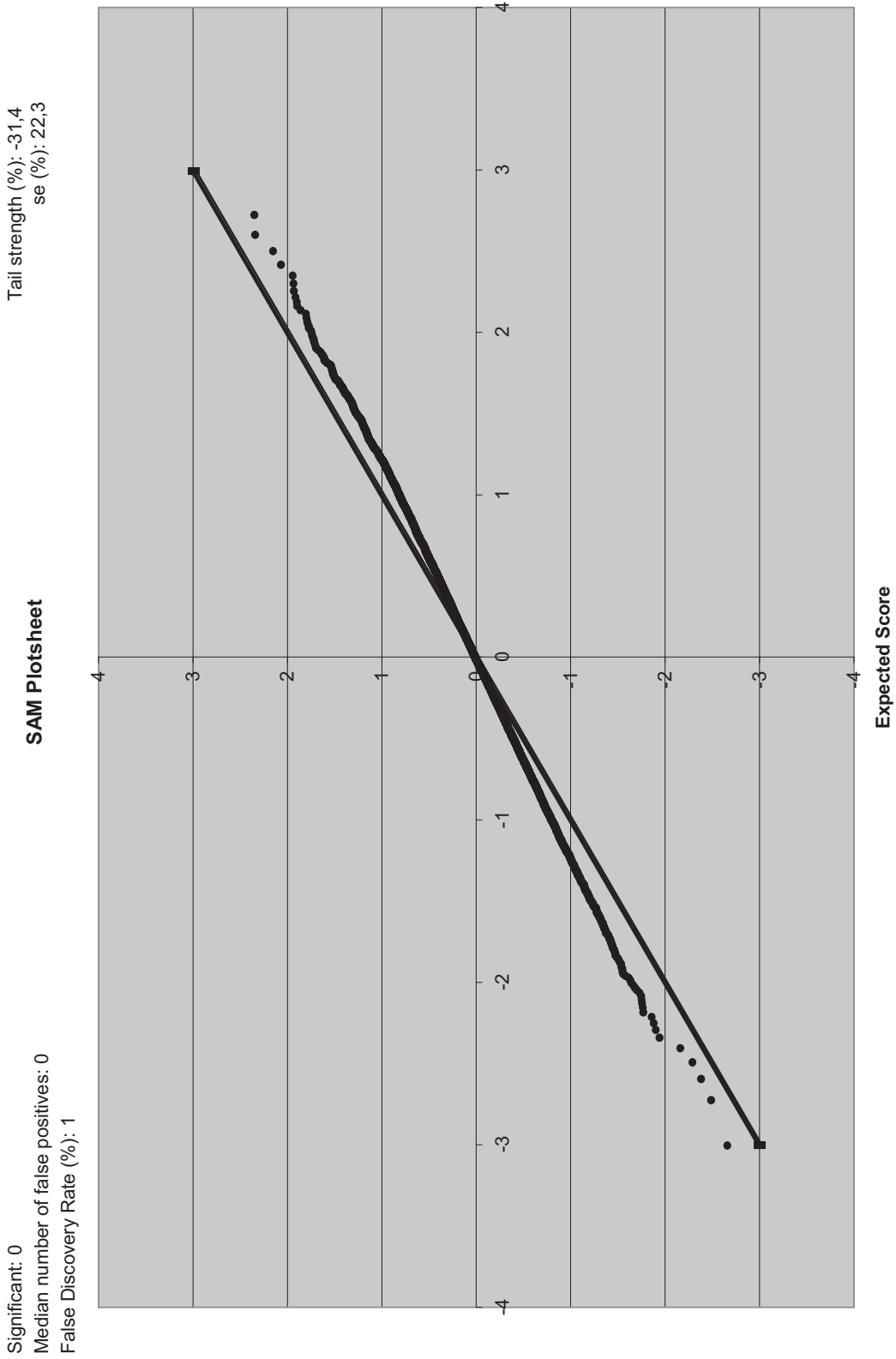
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543 Supplementary Figure 1: SAM plot showing the lack of differential effects between the two treatments and

544 obtained by comparing the changes in gene expression induced by adalimumab (n = 4) and by etanercept (n = 4)

545 using the two-classes significance analysis of microarrays.

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Supplementary Figure 1

Supplementary Table 1: List of the primers used for qPCR

<i>SYMBOL</i>	<i>FORWARD PRIMER</i>	<i>REVERSE PRIMER</i>
S100A8	TAGAGACCGAGTGCCTCAG	GAATGAGGAACTCCTGGAAG
S100A12	TCCACCAATACTCAGTTCGG	GAAAGTCGACCTGTTCATC
SLEP	CAGGACCATTGACTATCCAG	TGTTCCCTAGGTGGCTGTGAG
CD14	AGCTCAGAGGTTTCGGAAGAC	CTGAGGTTCCGAGAAGTTGC
IL1B	GGCAATGAGGATGACTTGTT	TGTAGTGGTGGTCGGAGATT
CEBPD	AGGAGCGCAAAGAAGCTACAG	CTTAGCTGCATCAACAGGAG
TNFR1	CCTGCCAGGAGAAACAGAAC	CAATCTGGGGTAGGCACAAC
TNFR2	ACATGCCGGCTCAGAGAATA	CCTCACAGGAGTCACACACG
RPL5	TGAAGGGAGCTGTGGATGG	CATCTCCTCCATCATGTCTG
CYCS	GTAATCAGCCCAGTAGTAAC	GTGAGATTGCACCACTGTAC

Supplementary Table 2: List of the 251 regulated genes in PBMC during anti-TNF-alpha therapies

Genes were selected with the SAM procedure, using a FDR of 0.1 %. The list was limited to genes with a fold change higher than 1.5

UNIGENE_ID	SYMBOL	GENE NAME	MEAN	SD	SE	Cytoband	LLID	INTERNAL_ID	Patient-1	Patient-2	Patient-3	Patient-4	Patient-5	Patient-6	Patient-7	Patient-8
Apoptosis related proteins																
Hs.409563	PACAP	Prokineticin 2	2.36	0.82	0.29	6q23-q53.1	51237	27656	3.61	1.62	4.02	2.76	1.74	2.16	1.97	1.03
Hs.226126	BIRC7	Baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 7 (Irin)	1.79	0.27	0.09	20q13.3	78444	100008	2.01	2.37	1.33	1.93	1.91	1.54	1.6	1.83
Hs.507424	FAM6	Fas receptor-inhibitory molecule 2	1.75	0.27	0.09	12p13.31	12127	176	2.04	1.94	0.87	1.94	1.87	1.94	1.87	1.95
Hs.515614	GADD45GIP1	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, gamma interacting protein 1	1.75	0.25	0.09	19p13.13	90480	4718	2.12	1.75	1.36	2.36	1.81	1.74	1.68	1.35
Hs.348204	GZMH	Granzyme H (melanoma G-like 2, protein h-CGFX)	1.71	0.39	0.14	14q11.2	2999	47896	1.52	1.37	1.68	2.59	1.17	1.49	1.45	2.37
Hs.127799	BIRC3	Baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 3	1.69	0.47	0.17	11q23.3	330	87659	2.23	1.97	2.17	1.17	2.76	1.92	1.45	1.45
Hs.281898	AIM2	Absent in melanoma 2	1.67	0.17	0.06	10q22	1422	9447	1.9	1.21	2.03	1.6	1.56	1.69	1.66	1.75
Hs.522817	BCAP31	B-cell receptor-associated protein 31	1.62	0.17	0.06	Xq28	10334	9740	1.79	1.44	1.48	1.72	1.7	1.25	1.65	1.96
Hs.183984	EIF3E5	Eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3, epsilon 5	1.62	0.21	0.07	19q13.3	1982	80290	2.04	1.33	1.66	1.4	1.85	1.56	1.26	1.62
Hs.614306	BIRC5	Baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 5 (survivin)	1.60	0.17	0.06	17q25	1332	89221	1.55	1.68	1.27	1.92	1.39	1.82	1.52	1.67
Hs.150107	BIRC6	Baculoviral IAP repeat-containing 6 (apollin)	1.60	0.17	0.06	2p22-q21	57448	29079	1.77	1.88	1.21	1.78	1.51	1.51	1.46	1.51
Hs.131226	BNIP3L	BCL2adenovirus E1B 19kDa interacting protein 3-like	-1.50	0.15	0.05	8p21	865	7812	-1.7	-1.54	-1.38	-1.67	-1.63	-1.12	-1.41	-1.57
Hs.145289	TNFRSF10C	Tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 10c	-1.51	0.23	0.08	8p22-q21	3794	74769	-1.68	-1.6	-1.72	-1.35	-1.41	-1.15	-1.19	1.94
Hs.448588	NGFRAP1	Nerve growth factor receptor (TNFRSF16) associated protein 1	-1.82	0.49	0.17	Xq22.2	27018	20921	-1.21	-1.97	-3.19	-2.16	-1.15	-1.84	-1.15	-1.89
Hs.271771	SNCA	Synuclein, alpha (non A4 component of amyloid precursor)	-2.13	0.34	0.12	4q21	6822	169722	-2.15	-2.23	-2.09	-2.8	-1.94	-1.93	-1.18	-2.71
Immune response and inflammation																
Hs.522634	IFIT7	Interferon, alpha-inducible protein 27	3.58	2.07	0.73	14q32	3429	12577	10.65	1.33	4.46	2.51	1.21	3.93	2.91	1.88
Hs.643431	KLJ3	Immunoglobulin J polypeptide	3.09	1.60	0.53	4q21	4121	31	3.47	1.28	7.62	3.44	0.97	3.83	2.64	1.46
Hs.631567	CD78A	CD78a molecule, immunoglobulin-associated alpha	2.15	0.55	0.19	19q13.2	373	101332	1.27	2.51	3.04	2.08	3.09	1.84	1.84	1.52
Hs.449621	IGKC	Immunoglobulin kappa constant	2.00	0.27	0.10	2p12	1914	89906	1.98	1.61	2.27	2.63	1.99	2.21	1.98	1.36
Hs.510265	IGHG1	Immunoglobulin heavy constant gamma 1 (C1m marker)	1.99	0.37	0.13	14q32.33	3500	77769	2.44	1.9	2.81	1.98	2.12	2.05	1.36	1.24
Hs.387787	KLRI1	Killer cell lectin-like receptor subfamily K, member 1	1.87	0.66	0.23	12p13.2-p13.3	22914	17996	2.94	1.81	1.41	2.34	0.85	1.3	1.33	2.96
Hs.271955	TNFAIP8	Tumor necrosis factor, alpha-inducible protein 8	1.80	0.38	0.13	2p13.3	25816	131476	2.51	2.01	1.22	2.17	1.3	2.01	1.83	1.36
Hs.403887	IFN1	Interferon alpha 1	1.80	0.38	0.13	4q22.1	4063	53216	2.4	2.06	1.4	2	1.57	1.22	1.37	1.51
Hs.435579	BRDQ1	BRD domain containing signaling 1	1.68	0.23	0.08	4q13.2	68228	18066	1.74	1.45	1.89	1.87	1.89	1.43	1.23	1.93
Hs.370937	TAPBP	TAP binding protein (tapasin)	1.66	0.27	0.09	6p21.3	29929	89011	1.53	1.76	2.13	1.61	1.75	1.12	1.28	2.04
Hs.405867	CD8B	CD8 molecule	1.62	0.21	0.07	9q24	928	10293	1.56	1.23	1.66	2.37	1.62	1.43	1.56	1.31
Hs.416848	CTSW	Cathepsin W (lymphostatin)	1.64	0.31	0.11	11q13.1	1521	94025	1.42	1.9	1.56	1.63	1.94	1.22	1.12	2.3
Hs.521903	LYVE	Lymphocyte antigen 6 complex, locus E	1.64	0.37	0.13	8q24.3	4081	93772	2.27	0.99	2.39	1.55	1.49	1.21	1.71	1.47
Hs.438040	MSA1A	Membrane-spanning 4-domain class A, subfamily A, member 1	1.61	0.31	0.11	11q12	931	11653	1.61	1.35	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61
Hs.53155	CFP	Complement factor properdin	1.59	0.34	0.12	Xp11.3-p11.3	5199	97262	1.3	1.81	1.99	2.14	2.12	1.32	1.8	1.11
Hs.61265	FAM10D	Family with sequence similarity 3, member D	1.53	0.09	0.03	3p14.2	131177	56703	1.72	1.66	1.41	1.53	1.45	1.39	1.57	1.53
Hs.515444	HLA-DQA1	Major histocompatibility complex, class II, DQ alpha 1	1.52	0.30	0.11	6p21.3	3105	33502	2.56	1.16	1.11	1.42	1.37	1.68	1.42	1.45
Hs.409934	HLA-DQB1	Major histocompatibility complex, class II, DQ beta 1	1.52	0.16	0.05	6p21.3	3119	91974	1.27	1.33	1.48	1.36	1.46	1.62	1.66	1.58
Hs.465643	TNFAIP8L1	Tumor necrosis factor, alpha-induced protein 8-like 1	1.50	0.28	0.10	19p13.3	126282	61046	1.98	1.68	1.09	1.78	1.23	1.69	1.28	1.31
Hs.520048	HLA-DRA	Major histocompatibility complex, class II, DR alpha	-1.55	0.24	0.09	6p21.3	3122	34658	-1.78	-1.76	-1.41	-1.73	-1.14	-1.15	-1.18	-1.66
Hs.279594	TNFRSF1A	Tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 1A	-1.57	0.30	0.11	17q32.31	96623	22178	-1.21	-1.78	-1.41	-1.78	-1.4	-1.59	-1.12	-1.93
Hs.169998	BST1	Bone marrow stromal cell antigen 1	-1.61	0.26	0.09	4p15	683	7815	-1.73	-2.15	-1.58	-1.41	-1.97	-1.43	-1.18	-1.14
Hs.7879	CXCL1	Chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 1 (melanoma growth stimulating act)	-1.66	0.44	0.16	4q21	2319	94236	-2.57	-1.39	-2.23	-1.1	-1.95	-1.13	-1.57	-1.16
Hs.453463	MMO1	Monocyte to macrophage differentiation-associated	-1.66	0.32	0.11	17q1	2053	19979	-1.95	-1.76	-2.55	-1.63	-0.99	-1.48	-1.29	-1.84
Hs.77981	HLA-B	Major histocompatibility complex, class I, B	-1.62	0.34	0.12	31q24.3	3106	31989	-2.02	-1.67	-2.33	-1.63	-1.33	-1.68	-1.51	-1.68
Hs.163867	CD14	CD14 molecule	-1.96	0.47	0.17	5q22-q32/q33.1	929	88452	-1.68	-3.04	-2.41	-1.7	-2.1	-1.08	-1.15	-2.19
Hs.162096	IL1B	Interleukin 1, beta	-2.22	1.01	0.36	2p14	3553	88435	-2.76	-2.4	-1.22	-1.55	-4.88	-1.18	-2.9	-1.08
Hs.181413	ITIH4L1	Sialic acid binding protein 4 (2) (calgranulin C)	-2.22	0.43	0.15	7q21.31	1523	12650	-3.7	-3.48	-1.82	-2.2	-1.6	-1.22	-2.9	-1.62
Hs.333388	B2M	Beta-2-microglobulin	-2.29	1.28	0.45	16q21-q22.2	967	82509	-0.99	-5.13	-4.41	-1.79	-3.37	-1.47	-1.98	-1.62
Hs.410073	S100A8	S100 calcium binding protein A8 (calgranulin A)	-2.75	0.99	0.35	1q21	6279	99262	-4.3	-4.21	-2.81	-3.55	-2.82	-1.27	-1.13	-1.89
Hs.189384	PTGS2	Prostaglandin-endoperoxide synthase 2	-2.81	1.00	0.43	16q25-q25.3	3743	67862	-3.66	-2.11	-1.49	-3.13	-4.44	-1.14	-4.84	-0.71
Transcription and Translation																
Transcription factors, co-factors and polymerases																
Hs.441072	POLR2L	Polymerase (RNA II) (DNA directed) polypeptide L, 7.6kDa	1.83	0.18	0.06	11p15	5441	40185	1.77	2.33	1.83	1.76	1.95	1.51	1.91	1.55
Hs.555947	LEF1	Lymphoid enhancer-binding factor 1	1.73	0.42	0.15	4q22-q25	51176	30788	2.79	2.24	1.04	1.8	1.24	1.7	1.28	1.79
Hs.7158	ENF1F7	Enf1 family protein 7	1.73	0.40	0.15	20q11.2	2400	213	1.47	2.43	1.45	2.1	1.33	1.32	1.15	1.12
Hs.473152	TAFAP2C	Transcription factor AP-2 gamma	1.69	0.20	0.07	20q13.2	7022	96513	1.79	1.52	1.65	2.15	1.66	1.18	1.62	1.95
Hs.174050	EDF1	Endothelial differentiation-related factor 1	1.65	0.18	0.07	9q34.3	7121	170923	1.79	1.66	1.43	2.25	1.33	1.61	1.64	1.53
Hs.453765	NRX1	PSD and DNA damage regulator 1	1.63	0.17	0.06	8p13.2	61572	14350	1.61	1.53	1.61	1.91	1.86	1.51	1.64	1.53
Hs.524828	ZNF664	Zinc finger protein 664	1.61	0.24	0.08	12q24.31	144348	61149	1.91	1.93	0.91	1.74	1.45	1.74	1.49	1.68
Hs.443465	TCEG1	Transcription elongation regulator 1	1.58	0.22	0.08	5q11	10915	15693	1.91	1.22	1.52	1.5	1.64	1.36	1.4	2.09
Hs.184298	CKN1	Cyclin-dependent kinase 1 (MO15 homolog, Xenopus laevis)	1.58	0.19	0.07	10q21.2	6152	91544	1.69	1.58	1.99	1.28	1.44	1.47	1.53	1.77
Hs.194157	ZC3HC1	Zinc finger, CCHC-type containing 1	1.57	0.19	0.07	7q32.2	51930	29299	1.96	1.44	1.62	1.43	1.87	1.42	1.39	1.4
Hs.632472	PRFX	Regulatory factor X, 5 (influences HLA class II expression)	1.56	0.19	0.07	1q21	8933	88255	1.77	1.36	1.65	1.71	1.22	1.71	1.33	1.73
Hs.151462	CTSL	Cathepsin L (lysosomal displacement protein (Diosiphilia))	1.55	0.22	0.08	7q21.3	1523	18707	1.65	1.62	1.73	1.62	1.39	1.48	1.58	
Hs.3530	FUSP1	FUS interacting protein (serine/arginine-rich 1)	1.54	0.30	0.11	1p36.11	10772	165280	2.06	1.25	1.23	1.89	1.11	1.68	1.36	1.77
Hs.7395	TFAM	Transcription factor BM, mitochondrial	1.54	0.25	0.09	14q44	64216	39180	1.78	1.38	1.4	1.82	1.12	2.03	1.39	1.35
Hs.435578	F	Polymerase (RNA II) (DNA directed) polypeptide F	1.54	0.19	0.07	19q13.1	5438	37958	1.58	1.57	1.58	1.57	1.58	1.57	1.58	
Hs.632575	YEATS2	YEATS domain containing 2	1.54	0.22	0.08	3q27.1	55689	28677	1.7	1.26	1.63	1.72	1.56	1.12	1.26	1.98
Hs.438300	ZNF392	Zinc finger protein 392	1.52	0.24	0.09	19q13.1	55900	190409	2.41	1.4	1.38	1.35	1.61	1.5	1.2	1.33
Hs.3333																

Hs.199825	HAX1	HCLS1 associated protein Xc1	1.54	0.14	0.05	1021.3	10456	14899	1.89	1.63	1.56	1.48	1.44	1.64	1.48	1.21	
Hs.339539	COX7A2L	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIIb polypeptide 2 like	1.53	0.17	0.06	2621	8326	9167	1.46	1.57	1.67	1.57	1.62	1.54	1.79	1.46	
Hs.513903	CYBA	Cytochrome b-245, alpha polypeptide	1.52	0.23	0.08	15364	1535	83479	1.66	1.08	1.3	2.12	3.34	1.56	1.66	1.44	
Hs.501578	MTO1	Mitochondrial GTPase 1 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	1.50	0.17	0.06	10208.3	92170	132575	1.91	1.6	1.65	1.33	1.31	1.27	1.43	1.51	
Hs.418668	ATP8B	ATP synthase, H ⁺ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, delta subunit	1.51	0.09	0.04	1413.3	513	91382	1.3	2.12	1.4	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.26	1.18	
Hs.464572	NDUFV2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) flavoprotein 2, 24kDa	1.50	0.20	0.07	18911.31+11.2	4729	96965	1.93	1.46	1.46	1.84	1.21	1.53	1.38	1.19	
Hs.516830	SRXN1	Sulfiredoxin 1 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	-1.52	0.25	0.09	20913	140809	56000	-2.15	-1.61	-1.53	-1.18	-1.82	-1.28	-1.38	-1.24	
Hs.464071	PGD	Phosphogluconate dehydrogenase	-1.64	0.31	0.11	1363.8+36.13	5226	98808	-1.91	-2.36	-1.43	-1.35	-1.73	-1.12	-1.33	-1.8	
Hs.368254	HGD	Homoglutamate 1,2-dioxygenase (homoglutamate oxidase)	-1.71	0.44	0.15	3621-g23	3081	89464	-2.72	-1.87	-2.28	-1.55	-1.18	-1.39	-1.32	-1.36	
Other enzymes																	
Hs.446149	LDHB	Lactate dehydrogenase B	1.94	0.62	0.22	12p12.2+p12.1	3945	95294	3.76	2.33	0.99	2.23	1.09	1.94	1.55	1.65	
Hs.356769	MAN2B1	Mannosidase, alpha, class 2B, member 1	1.60	0.32	0.11	12p12.2	1125	89343	0.91	1.28	1.89	1.9	1.91	1.57	1.37	1.88	
Hs.631920	CAPN7	Calpain 7	1.59	0.37	0.13	3p24	23473	19203	1.49	1.33	1.26	2.37	1.09	1.93	1.26	1.95	
Hs.104123	PRPS2	Phosphoribosyl pyrophosphate synthetase 2	1.56	0.30	0.11	Xp22.3-p22.2	5634	97442	1.92	1.67	1.3	2.31	1.01	1.5	1.25	1.54	
Hs.309800	NGLY1	N-glycanase	1.55	0.24	0.08	3p24.3	57678	32344	1.61	1.38	1.43	1.74	1.31	1.32	1.36	2.24	
Hs.168799	METTL3	Methyltransferase like 3	1.55	0.17	0.06	14q11.1	56339	36292	2.14	1.2	1.41	1.55	1.54	1.56	1.36	1.59	
Hs.123461	AS3MT	Arsenic (+3 oxidation state) methyltransferase	1.52	0.18	0.06	10q24.32	57412	33816	1.59	1.87	1.12	1.75	1.47	1.57	1.31	1.44	
Hs.480384	METAP1	Methionyl aminopeptidase 1	1.51	0.21	0.07	4q23	23173	23253	1.82	1.58	1.4	1.74	1.23	1.26	1.31	1.7	
Hs.50727	HSD17B1	Hydroxysteroid (17-beta) dehydrogenase 1	1.51	0.11	0.04	17q11-q21	3252	89810	1.45	1.69	1.49	1.35	1.28	1.56	1.66	1.57	
Hs.250616	ACSBG1	Acyl-CoA synthetase bubblegum family member 1	-1.58	0.22	0.08	17q11-q24	23205	28470	-1.87	-1.58	-1.97	-1.79	-1.25	-1.46	-1.19	-1.54	
Hs.524579	LYZ	Lysozyme (renal amyloidosis)	-2.00	0.65	0.23	12q15	4069	78590	-2.86	-3.03	-1.72	-1.46	-2.73	-1.13	-1.49	-1.6	
Ubiquitin or proteasome pathways																	
Hs.132862	PSMB9	Proteasome (prosome, macropain) subunit, beta type, 9	1.72	0.28	0.10	6p21.3	5698	54197	2.73	1.45	1.33	1.79	1.33	1.76	1.65	1.74	
Hs.513244	FBXL16	F-box and leucine-rich repeat protein 16	1.72	0.28	0.10	16p13.3	146330	62011	2.03	1.77	1.46	2.32	1.68	1.1	1.53	1.9	
Hs.75348	PSME1	Proteasome (prosome, macropain) activator subunit 1 (PA2B alpha)	1.72	0.40	0.14	14q11.2	5720	110586	1.8	1.35	1.39	2.4	0.94	2.29	1.58	1.98	
Hs.525084	HECTD3	HECT domain containing 3	1.63	0.37	0.13	1p34.1	79654	41669	1.51	1.87	2.07	1.32	2.43	1.05	1.25	1.57	
Hs.525078	PSM1	Proteasome (prosome, macropain) 26S subunit, ATPase, 3	1.63	0.37	0.13	17p12.31	5702	140247	1.12	2.42	1.87	1.16	2.07	1.29	1.76	2.34	
Hs.420529	UBE2V1	Ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme E2 variant 1	1.61	0.20	0.07	20q13.2	7335	107723	1.2	2.04	1.6	1.78	1.73	1.33	1.5	1.71	
Hs.31387	ARH2	Ariadne homolog 2 (Drosophila)	1.58	0.25	0.09	3p21.2+p21.3	10425	50885	1.93	1.73	1.55	1.38	1.78	1.01	1.39	1.89	
Hs.513084	HEDD2	Neural precursor cell expressed, developmentally down-regulated 8	1.51	0.18	0.06	11p15.2	11615	16486	1.56	1.52	1.46	1.66	1.36	1.66	1.53	1.41	
Hs.69554	RNF126	E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase	1.50	0.17	0.06	19p13.3	10625	30138	1.51	1.52	1.27	2.06	1.6	1.28	1.32	1.49	
Signaling pathways																	
Hs.517601	RAC2	Ras-related G3 cubitulum toxin substrate 2 (small GTP binding protein)	1.77	0.15	0.05	22q13.1	5880	97600	2.13	1.68	1.91	1.86	1.69	1.67	1.64	1.6	
Hs.5662	GNB2L1	Guanine nucleotide binding protein (G protein), beta polypeptide 2-like 1	1.72	0.36	0.13	5q35.3	10399	14867	2.02	1.55	1.07	2.68	1.33	1.19	1.81	1.6	
Hs.511618	ERF1	ERF3 receptor 1	1.63	0.13	0.05	19p13.3-p13.33	59386	59386	1.86	1.23	1.62	1.62	1.60	1.27	1.17	1.67	
Hs.591968	FZD4	Frizzled homolog 4 (Drosophila)	1.62	0.18	0.06	11q14.2	8322	21372	1.6	1.86	1.69	2.01	1.59	1.28	1.41	1.51	
Hs.444468	CTDSP1	CTD (carboxy-terminal domain, RNA polymerase II) small phosphatase 1	1.59	0.27	0.10	2q35	58190	37082	1.29	2.02	1.89	1.79	1.76	1.09	1.34	1.57	
Hs.337242	CENTB1	Centaurin, beta 1	1.58	0.22	0.08	17p13.1	1744	22798	1.84	1.76	1.62	1.18	1.65	1.2	1.51	1.79	
Hs.503514	STK24	Serine/threonine kinase 24 (STE20 homolog, yeast)	1.57	0.18	0.06	13q31.2-q32.3	8428	98509	1.55	1.41	2.03	1.31	1.31	1.63	1.73	2.24	
Hs.41086	PLEKHA3	Pleckstrin homology domain containing, family A member 3	1.56	0.33	0.12	2q31.2	65977	36200	1.76	1.43	1.24	2.55	1.05	1.67	1.27	1.5	
Hs.502004	RRAS2	Related RAS viral (v-ras) oncogene homolog 2	1.51	0.19	0.07	11p15.2	22800	18241	2.08	1.43	1.29	1.63	1.31	1.5	1.23	1.58	
Hs.208530	SPS1	G protein pathway suppressor 1	1.50	0.16	0.06	17q25.3	2873	5949	1.8	1.55	1.35	1.38	1.28	1.71	1.59	1.38	
Hs.435291	ARHGAP6	Rho GTPase activating protein 6	-1.58	0.23	0.08	Xq22.3	395	89228	-2.39	-1.41	-1.55	-1.66	-1.06	-1.63	-1.51	-1.43	
Hs.475963	CTDSP1	CTD (carboxy-terminal domain, RNA polymerase II) small phosphatase 1	-1.64	0.28	0.10	3p21.3	10217	12925	-2.56	-1.28	-1.56	-1.72	-1.24	-1.16	-1.52	-1.47	
Hs.286654	DUSP6	Dual specificity phosphatase 6	-1.98	0.42	0.15	12q22-q23	1848	101364	-2.88	-2.41	-1.73	-2.27	-1.59	-1.11	-1.8	-2.03	
Adhesion molecules and extracellular matrix																	
Hs.591335	CD164	CD164 molecule, sialomucin	1.75	0.36	0.13	6p21	8763	13180	2.06	1.34	1.32	2.37	1.13	1.95	1.85	1.95	
Hs.90107	ADRM1	Adhesion regulating molecule 1	1.53	0.23	0.08	20q13.33	11047	14496	1.67	1.95	1.92	1.4	1.38	1.63	1.55	1.21	
Hs.106880	BYSL	Bystin-like	1.53	0.25	0.09	6p21.1	705	4307	1.67	1.57	1.83	1.28	1.97	1.5	1.22	1.11	
Hs.73800	SELP	Selectin P (granule membrane protein 140kDa, antigen CD62)	-1.50	0.20	0.07	1q22-q25	6403	97770	-1.79	-1.55	-1.63	-1.37	-1.16	-1.55	-1.17	-1.57	
Hs.494419	LAMP1	Lysosomal-associated membrane protein 1	-1.55	0.16	0.06	13q34	3916	11052	-1.29	-1.71	-1.4	-1.87	-1.55	-1.73	-1.52	-1.37	
Hs.64916	PROS1	Protein S (alpha)	-1.68	0.29	0.10	3q21.2	9627	89023	-1.9	-1.98	-2.27	-1.17	-1.17	-1.68	-1.06	-1.84	
Hs.3745	MFG8E8	Milk fat globule-EGF factor 8 protein	-1.74	0.30	0.10	15q25	4440	13094	-1.52	-1.56	-1.29	-1.91	-1.44	-2.24	-2.26	-1.71	
Hs.443681	CSPG2	Chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 2 (versican)	-1.99	0.58	0.20	5q14.3	1482	7867	-1.87	-3.42	-2.12	-2.54	-1.19	-1.31	-1.18	-1.3	
Structural proteins and cytoskeleton																	
Hs.12967	SYNE1	Spectrin repeat containing, nuclear envelope 1	1.69	0.38	0.13	6p25	23345	173286	2.4	1.81	1.51	1.93	1.27	1.2	1.26	2.13	
Hs.501012	ADD3	ADD3 (alpha)	1.67	0.31	0.11	10q24.2-q24.3	120	170248	1.71	2.4	1.71	1.24	1.89	1.09	1.69	1.42	
Hs.533059	TUBB	Tubulin, beta	1.64	0.32	0.11	6p21.3	203088	112531	1.74	2.03	2.17	1.51	1.9	1.23	1.29	1.26	
Hs.381099	LCPI	Lymphocyte cytosolic protein 1 (L-plastin)	1.61	0.25	0.09	15q14.3	3936	95285	1.6	1.11	1.54	1.83	1.18	1.89	1.76	1.98	
Hs.58145	THSLB3	Thyrosinase-like protein 3	1.58	0.26	0.09	Xq21.3-q22.3	3050	16463	1.61	1.62	2.23	1.61	1.26	1.62	1.75	1.75	
Hs.183706	ADD1	Adducin 1 (alpha)	1.55	0.20	0.07	4p16.3	118	173102	1.73	1.57	1.56	1.55	1.49	1.21	1.15	2.15	
Hs.134602	TTN	Titin	-1.50	0.20	0.07	2q31	7273	54667	-1.73	-1.53	-1.62	-1.4	-1.3	-1.16	-1.32	-1.91	
Hs.512113	MYO5A	Myosin VA (heavy polypeptide 12, myosin)	-1.50	0.27	0.10	19q21	4844	162416	-2.31	-1.26	-1.28	-1.38	-1.3	-1.78	-1.45	-1.24	
Hs.373032	MYO1E	Myosin I (class I)	-1.52	0.29	0.11	4q42.3	4643	151109	-2.1	-1.6	-1.58	-1.13	-1.29	-1.19	-1.14	2	
Hs.515094	TRIP10	Thyroid hormone receptor interactor 10	-1.60	0.27	0.10	19p13.3	9622	6097	-1.67	-1.67	-1.67	-1.17	-1.35	-1.12	-1.19	-1.58	
Hs.631558	TNNT1	Tropomyosin T type 1 (skeletal, alpha)	-1.69	0.33	0.12	19q13.4	7138	98132	-1.18	-2.38	-2.05	-1.63	-1.61	-1.26	-1.46	-1.95	
Hs.407653	RTN3-AS1-1	Retinoblastoma protein 3-like 1	-1.68	0.29	0.10	21q22.1	21643	21643	-2.3	-1.62	-1.32	-1.62	-1.32	-1.62	-1.32	-1.34	
Hs.374596	TPT1	Tumor protein, transcriptionally-controlled 1	-3.01	0.40	0.14	13q12-q14	7138	98155	-2.67	-1.84	-3.8	-2.96	-3.25	-3.1	-2.95	-3.51	
Vesicle trafficking and membrane fusion																	
Hs.81964	SEC24C	SEC24 related gene family, member C (S. cerevisiae)	1.63	0.24	0.09	10q22.2	9632	8638	1.38	1.45	1.96	1.91					