



# RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler PCR Array Gene Expression Analysis Report

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# Introduction

## Cataloged arrays

RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler PCR Arrays are highly reliable and sensitive gene expression profiling tools for analyzing focused panels of genes in signal transduction, biological processes or disease research pathways using real-time PCR. Each cataloged RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler PCR Array contains a list of the pathway-focused genes as well as five housekeeping (reference) genes on the array. In addition, each array contains a panel of proprietary controls to monitor genomic DNA contamination (GDC) as well as the first strand synthesis (RTC) and real-time PCR efficiency (PPC). The qPCR Assays used in PCR Arrays are laboratory-verified and optimized to work under standard conditions enabling a large number of genes to be assayed simultaneously. Their specificity is guaranteed when RT<sup>2</sup> SYBR Green qPCR Master Mixes are used as part of the complete PCR Array System protocol.

In this study, 96 genes were profiled on 2 samples with the PAHS-008Y.

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# Summary and workflow

## Cataloged arrays

1. Mature RNA was isolated using an RNA extraction kit according to the manufacturer's instructions.
2. RNA quality was determined using a spectrophotometer and was reverse transcribed using a cDNA conversion kit.
3. The cDNA was used on the real-time RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler PCR Array (QIAGEN, Cat. no. PAHS-008Y) in combination with RT<sup>2</sup> SYBR® Green qPCR Mastermix (Cat. no. 330529).

C<sub>T</sub> values were exported to an Excel file to create a table of C<sub>T</sub> values. This table was then uploaded on to the data analysis web portal at <http://www.qiagen.com/geneglobe>. Samples were assigned to controls and test groups. C<sub>T</sub> values were normalized based on a/an Manual Selection of reference genes.

The data analysis web portal calculates fold change/regulation using delta delta C<sub>T</sub> method, in which delta C<sub>T</sub> is calculated between gene of interest (GOI) and an average of reference genes (HKG), followed by delta-delta C<sub>T</sub> calculations (delta C<sub>T</sub> (Test Group)-delta C<sub>T</sub> (Control Group)). Fold Change is then calculated using  $2^{(-\text{delta delta } C_T)}$  formula. The data analysis web portal also plots scatter plot, volcano plot, clustergram, and heat map.

This data analysis report was exported from the QIAGEN web portal at GeneGlobe.

# Gene table

## RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler™ PCR Array Human Mitochondrial Energy Metabolism Pathway Plus

Position	RefSeq Number	Symbol	Description
A01	NM_004046	ATP5A1	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, alpha subunit 1, cardiac muscle
A02	NM_001686	ATP5B	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, beta polypeptide
A03	NM_005174	ATP5C1	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, gamma polypeptide 1
A04	NM_001688	ATP5F1	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit B1
A05	NM_005175	ATP5G1	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit C1 (subunit 9)
A06	NM_001002031	ATP5G2	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit C2 (subunit 9)
A07	NM_001689	ATP5G3	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit C3 (subunit 9)
A08	NM_006356	ATP5H	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit d
A09	NM_007100	ATP5I	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit E
A10	NM_001685	ATP5J	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit F6
A11	NM_004889	ATP5J2	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit F2
A12	NM_006476	ATP5L	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial Fo complex, subunit G
B01	NM_001697	ATP5O	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, O subunit
B02	NM_001861	COX4I1	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit IV isoform 1
B03	NM_004255	COX5A	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit Va
B04	NM_001862	COX5B	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit Vb
B05	NM_004373	COX6A1	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIa polypeptide 1
B06	NM_005205	COX6A2	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIa polypeptide 2
B07	NM_001863	COX6B1	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit Vib polypeptide 1 (ubiquitous)
B08	NM_004374	COX6C	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIc
B09	NM_001865	COX7A2	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIIa polypeptide 2 (liver)
B10	NM_004718	COX7A2L	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIIa polypeptide 2 like
B11	NM_001866	COX7B	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIIb
B12	NM_004074	COX8A	Cytochrome c oxidase subunit VIIIA (ubiquitous)
C01	NM_001916	CYC1	Cytochrome c-1
C02	NM_004541	NDUFA1	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 1, 7.5kDa
C03	NM_004544	NDUFA10	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 10, 42kDa
C04	NM_175614	NDUFA11	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 11, 14.7kDa
C05	NM_002488	NDUFA2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 2, 8kDa
C06	NM_004542	NDUFA3	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 3, 9kDa
C07	NM_002489	NDUFA4	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 4, 9kDa
C08	NM_005000	NDUFA5	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 5, 13kDa
C09	NM_002490	NDUFA6	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 6, 14kDa
C10	NM_014222	NDUFA8	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 alpha subcomplex, 8, 19kDa
C11	NM_005003	NDUFAB1	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1, alpha/beta subcomplex, 1, 8kDa
C12	NM_004548	NDUFB10	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 10, 22kDa
D01	NM_004546	NDUFB2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 2, 8kDa
D02	NM_002491	NDUFB3	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 3, 12kDa
D03	NM_004547	NDUFB4	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 4, 15kDa
D04	NM_002492	NDUFB5	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 5, 16kDa
D05	NM_182739	NDUFB6	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 6, 17kDa
D06	NM_004146	NDUFB7	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 7, 18kDa
D07	NM_005004	NDUFB8	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 8, 19kDa
D08	NM_005005	NDUFB9	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1 beta subcomplex, 9, 22kDa
D09	NM_002494	NDUFC1	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1, subcomplex unknown, 1, 6kDa
D10	NM_004549	NDUFC2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) 1, subcomplex unknown, 2, 14.5kDa

Position	RefSeq Number	Symbol	Description
D11	NM_005006	NDUFS1	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 1, 75kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
D12	NM_004550	NDUFS2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 2, 49kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E01	NM_004551	NDUFS3	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 3, 30kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E02	NM_002495	NDUFS4	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 4, 18kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E03	NM_004552	NDUFS5	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 5, 15kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E04	NM_004553	NDUFS6	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 6, 13kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E05	NM_024407	NDUFS7	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 7, 20kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E06	NM_002496	NDUFS8	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 8, 23kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)
E07	NM_007103	NDUFV1	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) flavoprotein 1, 51kDa
E08	NM_021074	NDUFV2	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) flavoprotein 2, 24kDa
E09	NM_021075	NDUFV3	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) flavoprotein 3, 10kDa
E10	NM_021129	PPA1	Pyrophosphatase (inorganic) 1
E11	NM_004168	SDHA	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp)
E12	NM_003000	SDHB	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit B, iron sulfur (Ip)
F01	NM_003001	SDHC	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit C, integral membrane protein, 15kDa
F02	NM_003002	SDHD	Succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit D, integral membrane protein
F03	NM_006830	UQCRC1	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase, complex III subunit XI
F04	NM_003365	UQCRC1	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase core protein I
F05	NM_003366	UQCRC2	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase core protein II
F06	NM_006003	UQCRC1	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase, Rieske iron-sulfur polypeptide 1
F07	NM_006004	UQCRC1	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase hinge protein
F08	NM_014402	UQCRC1	Ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase, complex III subunit VII, 9.5kDa
F09	NM_020801	ARRDC3	Arrestin domain containing 3
F10	NM_001040445	ASB1	Ankyrin repeat and SOCS box containing 1
F11	NM_182580	CYB561D1	Cytochrome b-561 domain containing 1
F12	NM_006145	DNAJB1	DnaJ (Hsp40) homolog, subfamily B, member 1
G01	NM_001955	EDN1	Endothelin 1
G02	NM_015675	GADD45B	Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta
G03	NM_005345	HSPA1A	Heat shock 70kDa protein 1A
G04	NM_005346	HSPA1B	Heat shock 70kDa protein 1B
G05	NM_182492	LRP5L	Low density lipoprotein receptor-related protein 5-like
G06	r4_NC_012920	MitoH1	Polycistronic_H1_3
G07	r3_NC_012920	MitoH2_12106	Polycistronic_H2_200_12106_1
G08	r2_NC_012920	MitoH2_14573	Polycistronic_H2_200_14573_3
G09	r1_NC_012920	MitoH2_4162	Polycistronic_H2_200_4162_1
G10	r5_NC_012920	MitoH2_5726	Polycistronic_H2_200_5726_3
G11	NR_004407	RNU11	RNU11
G12	NM_052901	SLC25A25	Solute carrier family 25 (mitochondrial carrier; phosphate carrier), member 25
H01	NM_001101	ACTB	Actin, beta
H02	NM_004048	B2M	Beta-2-microglobulin
H03	NM_002046	GAPDH	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase
H04	NM_000194	HPRT1	Hypoxanthine phosphoribosyltransferase 1
H05	NM_001002	RPLP0	Ribosomal protein, large, P0
H06	SA_00105	HGDC	Human Genomic DNA Contamination
H07	SA_00104	RTC	Reverse Transcription Control
H08	SA_00104	RTC	Reverse Transcription Control
H09	SA_00104	RTC	Reverse Transcription Control
H10	SA_00103	PPC	Positive PCR Control
H11	SA_00103	PPC	Positive PCR Control
H12	SA_00103	PPC	Positive PCR Control

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# Data analysis setup

## Sample management

Control Group	Group 1
MRC9 BX D120	H2172 BX D120

## Pre-amplification

A pre-amplification using the appropriate species- and pathway-specific RT<sup>2</sup> PreAMP Primer Mix was not performed and the appropriate corrections were made during the data analysis procedure.

## Lower limit of detection

The C<sub>T</sub> cut-off was set to 35

# Data quality control (QC)

## Quality checks performed and results

Test Performed	Test Result
1. PCR Array Reproducibility	All Samples Passed
2. RT Efficiency	All Samples Passed
3. Genomic DNA Contamination	Check Samples: MRC9 BX D120 H2172 BX D120

Test Performed	MRC9 BX D120	H2172 BX D120
PCR Array Reproducibility		
Average $C_T$ (PPC)	17.15	17.13
Result	Pass	Pass
Reverse Transcription Control (RTC)		
Delta $C_T$ (Average RTC - Average PPC)	2.38	2.19
Result	Pass	Pass
Genomic DNA Contamination (GDC)		
$C_T$ (GDC)	25.31	22.52
Result	Inquiry	Inquiry

**Criteria for Genomic DNA Contamination (GDC):** If  $C_T$ (GDC)  $\geq$  35, then the GDC QC reports 'Pass'; if  $C_T$ (GDC)  $<$  35, then the GDC QC reports 'Inquiry'.

See the Troubleshooting Guide of the PCR Array User Manual/Handbook or Contact Technical Support at 888-503-3187 regarding samples with control(s) labeled 'Inquiry'.



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# Normalization analysis

## Manual Selection

Groups	Samples	ACTB	B2M	GAPDH	Arithmetic Mean	Average Arithmetic Mean
Control Group	MRC9 BX D120	11.85	14.34	13.72	13.30	13.30
Group 1	H2172 BX D120	11.16	13.72	14.43	13.10	13.10

This method allows researchers to select their own internal control / housekeeping / normalization genes for the analysis. Select either the use of the Geometric or Arithmetic Mean consistently across experiments. As a general guide, only select genes with small changes in their expression across different sample groups (differences in  $C_T$  values less than 1).

# Results

## Fold regulation comparison and p-value

Control Group	Test Group	Fold Regulation cut off	p-Value cut off
Control Group	Group 1	2	0.05

Position	Gene Symbol	Fold Regulation	p-Value	Comments
A01	ATP5A1	3.63	0.000000	
A02	ATP5B	4.89	0.000000	
A03	ATP5C1	3.76	0.000000	
A04	ATP5F1	4.14	0.000000	
A05	ATP5G1	3.32	0.000000	
A07	ATP5G3	4.20	0.000000	
A08	ATP5H	2.19	0.000000	
A09	ATP5I	3.07	0.000000	
A10	ATP5J	2.69	0.000000	
A11	ATP5J2	4.89	0.000000	
B01	ATP5O	3.92	0.000000	
B02	COX4I1	3.51	0.000000	
B03	COX5A	3.68	0.000000	
B04	COX5B	8.17	0.000000	
B05	COX6A1	3.51	0.000000	
B06	COX6A2	2.95	0.000000	
B09	COX7A2	2.25	0.000000	
B11	COX7B	5.70	0.000000	
C01	CYC1	8.22	0.000000	
C02	NDUFA1	3.18	0.000000	
C03	NDUFA10	3.89	0.000000	
C05	NDUFA2	2.30	0.000000	
C07	NDUFA4	2.83	0.000000	
C08	NDUFA5	3.48	0.000000	
C09	NDUFA6	3.81	0.000000	
C10	NDUFA8	3.68	0.000000	
C11	NDUFAB1	3.81	0.000000	
D02	NDUFB3	2.57	0.000000	
D03	NDUFB4	5.35	0.000000	
D04	NDUFB5	3.05	0.000000	
D05	NDUFB6	2.08	0.000000	
D06	NDUFB7	2.77	0.000000	
D08	NDUFB9	4.38	0.000000	
D11	NDUFS1	6.54	0.000000	
D12	NDUFS2	2.71	0.000000	
E01	NDUFS3	4.66	0.000000	
E02	NDUFS4	2.19	0.000000	
E03	NDUFS5	2.10	0.000000	
E04	NDUFS6	5.66	0.000000	
E05	NDUFS7	2.57	0.000000	
E06	NDUFS8	2.57	0.000000	
E07	NDUFV1	5.90	0.000000	

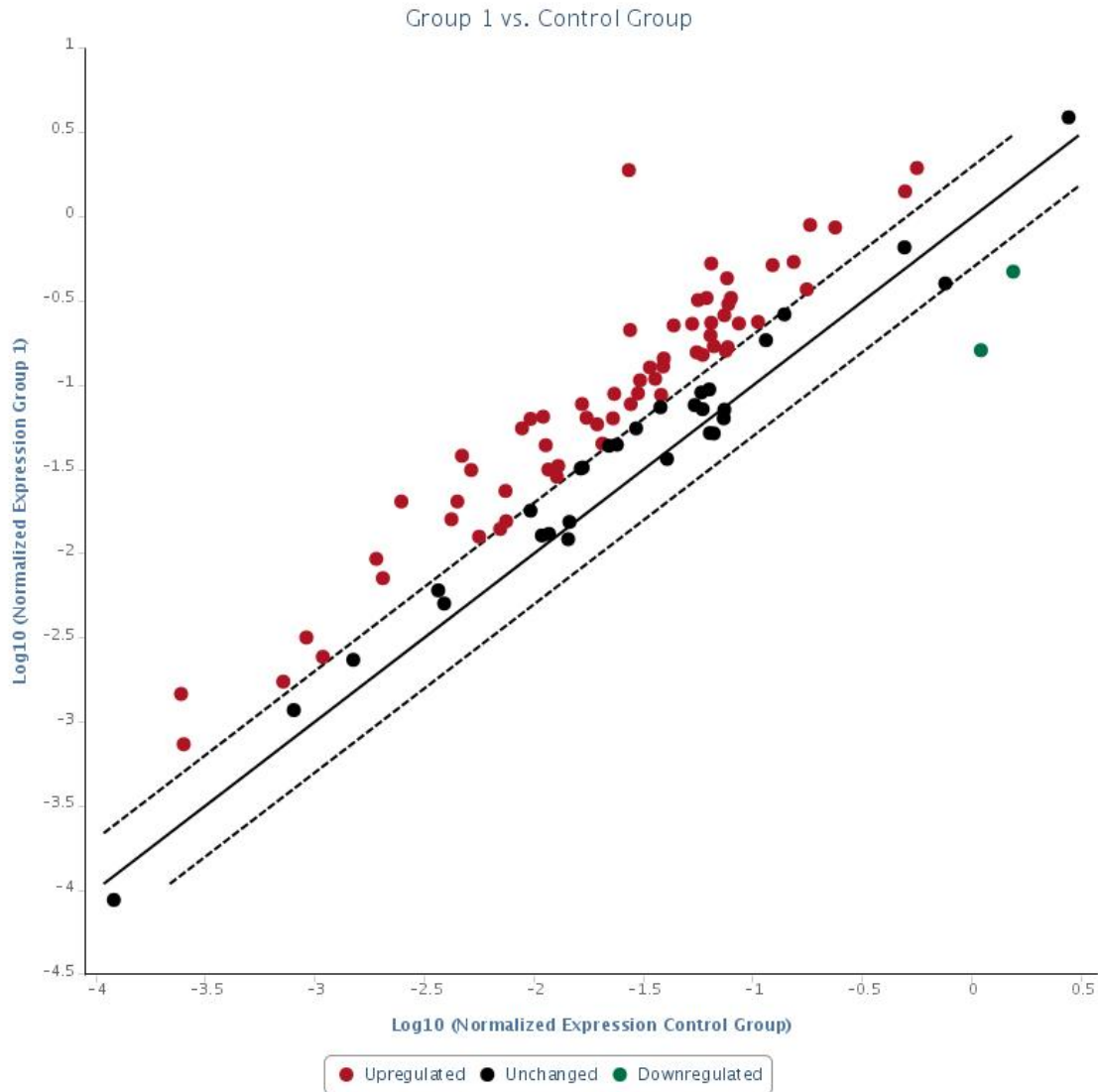
Position	Gene Symbol	Fold Regulation	p-Value	Comments
E08	NDUFV2	69.55	0.000000	
E11	SDHA	6.28	0.000000	
E12	SDHB	2.99	0.000000	
F01	SDHC	2.25	0.000000	
F02	SDHD	6.06	0.000000	
F04	UQCRC1	2.79	0.000000	
F05	UQCRC2	3.51	0.000000	
F06	UQCRFS1	5.21	0.000000	
F07	UQCRH	3.63	0.000000	
F08	UQCRQ	2.13	0.000000	
F11	CYB561D1	2.43	0.000000	
G01	EDN1	2.25	0.000000	
G03	HSPA1A	7.73	0.000000	
G04	HSPA1B	8.11	0.000000	
G05	LRP5L	3.51	0.000000	
G06	MitoH1	3.46	0.000000	
G08	MitoH2_14573	-6.82	0.000000	
G10	MitoH2_5726	-3.27	0.000000	
G11	RNU11	3.01	0.000000	
G12	SLC25A25	2.25	0.000000	
H04	HPRT1	4.56	0.000000	
H05	RPLP0	2.85	0.000000	
H06	HGDC	6.02	0.000000	

**Fold-Change** ( $2^{(-\Delta\Delta C_T)}$ ) is the normalized gene expression ( $2^{(-\Delta C_T)}$ ) in the Test Sample divided the normalized gene expression ( $2^{(-\Delta C_T)}$ ) in the Control Sample. Fold-Regulation represents fold-change results in a biologically meaningful way. Fold-change values greater than one indicates a positive- or an up-regulation, and the fold-regulation is equal to the fold-change. Fold-change values less than one indicate a negative or down-regulation, and the fold-regulation is the negative inverse of the fold-change.

The p values are calculated based on a Student's t-test of the replicate  $2^{(-\Delta C_T)}$  values for each gene in the control group and treatment groups.

## Scatter Plot

Test Group	Control Group	Fold Regulation Threshold
Group 1	Control Group	2



The scatter plot compares the normalized expression of every gene on the array between the two selected groups by plotting them against one another to quickly visualize large gene expression changes. The central line indicates unchanged gene expression. The dotted lines indicate the selected fold regulation threshold. Data points beyond the dotted lines in the upper left and lower right sections meet the selected fold regulation threshold.

## Genes Over-Expressed in Group 1 vs. Control Group

Position	Gene Symbol	Fold Regulation	Comments	RT2 Catalog
E08	NDUFV2	69.55		<a href="#">PPH09431A</a>
C01	CYC1	8.22		<a href="#">PPH00724A</a>
B04	COX5B	8.17		<a href="#">PPH07071A</a>
G04	HSPA1B	8.11		<a href="#">PPH01216B</a>
G03	HSPA1A	7.73		<a href="#">PPH01193B</a>
D11	NDUFS1	6.54		<a href="#">PPH19871A</a>
E11	SDHA	6.28		<a href="#">PPH20936F</a>
F02	SDHD	6.06		<a href="#">PPH17790A</a>
H06	HGDC	6.02		
E07	NDUFV1	5.90		<a href="#">PPH07537F</a>
B11	COX7B	5.70		<a href="#">PPH20080A</a>
E04	NDUFS6	5.66		<a href="#">PPH19394B</a>
D03	NDUFB4	5.35		<a href="#">PPH14669A</a>
F06	UQCRC1	5.21		<a href="#">PPH17737A</a>
A11	ATP5J2	4.89		<a href="#">PPH14768A</a>
A02	ATP5B	4.89		<a href="#">PPH19254A</a>
E01	NDUFS3	4.66		<a href="#">PPH05975A</a>
H04	HPRT1	4.56		<a href="#">PPH01018C</a>
D08	NDUFB9	4.38		<a href="#">PPH08062A</a>
A07	ATP5G3	4.20		<a href="#">PPH06999B</a>
A04	ATP5F1	4.14		<a href="#">PPH10213A</a>
B01	ATP5O	3.92		<a href="#">PPH19444A</a>
C03	NDUFA10	3.89		<a href="#">PPH14221A</a>
C09	NDUFA6	3.81		<a href="#">PPH15585B</a>
C11	NDUFAB1	3.81		<a href="#">PPH07347A</a>
A03	ATP5C1	3.76		<a href="#">PPH12974A</a>
C10	NDUFA8	3.68		<a href="#">PPH08929A</a>
B03	COX5A	3.68		<a href="#">PPH19106C</a>
A01	ATP5A1	3.63		<a href="#">PPH02335A</a>
F07	UQCRH	3.63		<a href="#">PPH16023B</a>
F05	UQCRC2	3.51		<a href="#">PPH13592A</a>
G05	LRP5L	3.51		<a href="#">PPH15486A</a>
B02	COX4I1	3.51		<a href="#">PPH20181A</a>
B05	COX6A1	3.51		<a href="#">PPH13766A</a>
C08	NDUFA5	3.48		<a href="#">PPH02108B</a>
G06	MitoH1	3.46		
A05	ATP5G1	3.32		<a href="#">PPH10199A</a>
C02	NDUFA1	3.18		<a href="#">PPH02585D</a>
A09	ATP5I	3.07		<a href="#">PPH10323A</a>
D04	NDUFB5	3.05		<a href="#">PPH08215A</a>
G11	RNU11	3.01		
E12	SDHB	2.99		<a href="#">PPH06977A</a>
B06	COX6A2	2.95		<a href="#">PPH15089A</a>
H05	RPLP0	2.85		<a href="#">PPH21138F</a>
C07	NDUFA4	2.83		<a href="#">PPH09398A</a>
F04	UQCRC1	2.79		<a href="#">PPH11441A</a>
D06	NDUFB7	2.77		<a href="#">PPH20190B</a>
D12	NDUFS2	2.71		<a href="#">PPH13595A</a>
A10	ATP5J	2.69		<a href="#">PPH60000A</a>
D02	NDUFB3	2.57		<a href="#">PPH11130A</a>
E06	NDUFS8	2.57		<a href="#">PPH10450A</a>
E05	NDUFS7	2.57		<a href="#">PPH14500A</a>
F11	CYB561D1	2.43		<a href="#">PPH07340A</a>

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<b>Position</b>	<b>Gene Symbol</b>	<b>Fold Regulation</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>RT2 Catalog</b>
C05	NDUFA2	2.30		<a href="#">PPH60110A</a>
G12	SLC25A25	2.25		<a href="#">PPH07341A</a>
G01	EDN1	2.25		<a href="#">PPH00653A</a>
B09	COX7A2	2.25		<a href="#">PPH09818B</a>
F01	SDHC	2.25		<a href="#">PPH20236B</a>
E02	NDUFS4	2.19		<a href="#">PPH07759E</a>
A08	ATP5H	2.19		<a href="#">PPH12984A</a>
F08	UQCRQ	2.13		<a href="#">PPH12617B</a>
E03	NDUFS5	2.10		<a href="#">PPH19479A</a>
D05	NDUFB6	2.08		<a href="#">PPH11124A</a>

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## Genes Under-Expressed in Group 1 vs. Control Group

Position	Gene Symbol	Fold Regulation	Comments	RT2 Catalog
G08	MitoH2_14573	-6.82		
G10	MitoH2_5726	-3.27		

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## Next steps

After using QIAGEN's RT<sup>2</sup> Profiler PCR array, use the upregulated or downregulated qPCR assays to further validate your hypothesis.

You can use individual qPCR RT<sup>2</sup> assays or create custom RT<sup>2</sup> PCR arrays.

Further, you can use the assay and other products discussed above in the "What's next?" section to design additional studies on the expression and function of miRNAs regulating the differentially expressed genes, somatic mutations in those genes, epigenetic marks (such as modified histones, transcription factor binding, and DNA methylation) at the promoters of those genes, or study the genes' function using gene-specific siRNA.



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# Glossary

## Comments

**A:** This gene's average threshold cycle is relatively high ( $> 30$ ) in either the control or the test sample, and is reasonably low in the other sample ( $< 30$ ). These data mean that the gene's expression is relatively low in one sample and reasonably detected in the other sample suggesting that the actual fold-change value is at least as large as the calculated and reported fold-change result. This fold-change result may also have greater variations if  $p$  value  $> 0.05$ ; therefore, it is important to have a sufficient number of biological replicates to validate the result for this gene.

**B:** This gene's average threshold cycle is relatively high ( $> 30$ ), meaning that its relative expression level is low, in both control and test samples, and the  $p$ -value for the fold-change is either unavailable or relatively high ( $p > 0.05$ ). This fold-change result may also have greater variations; therefore, it is important to have a sufficient number of biological replicates to validate the result for this gene.

**C:** This gene's average threshold cycle is either not determined or greater than the defined cut-off (default 35), in both samples meaning that its expression was undetected, making this fold-change result erroneous and un-interpretable.