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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to compositions, kits, and methods for detecting, characterizing, preventing, and treating human cancer. A variety of chromosomal regions (MCRs) and markers corresponding thereto, are provided, wherein alterations in the copy number of one or more of the MCRs and/or alterations in the amount, structure, and/or activity of one or more of the markers is correlated with the presence of cancer.



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## COMPOSITIONS, KITS, AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENT, PREVENTION, AND THERAPY OF CANCER

### Cross Reference to Related Applications

5 This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/575,795, which was filed on May 28, 2004 and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/580,337, which was filed on June 15, 2004, both of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

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### Background of the Invention

15 Cancer represents the phenotypic end-point of multiple genetic lesions that endow cells with a full range of biological properties required for tumorigenesis. Indeed, a hallmark genomic feature of many cancers, including, for example, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer, ovarian cancer, and colon cancer, is the presence of numerous complex  
20 chromosome structural aberrations—including non-reciprocal translocations, amplifications and deletions.

Karyotype analyses (Johansson, B., *et al.* (1992) *Cancer* 69, 1674-81; Bardi, G., *et al.* (1993) *Br J Cancer* 67, 1106-12; Griffin, C. A., *et al.* (1994) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 9, 93-100; Griffin, C. A., *et al.* (1995) *Cancer Res* 55, 2394-9; Gorunova, L., *et al.* (1995) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 14, 259-66; Gorunova, L., *et al.* (1998) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 23, 81-99), chromosomal CGH and array CGH (Wolf M *et al.* (2004) *Neoplasia* 6(3):240; Kimura Y, *et al.* (2004) *Mod. Pathol.* 21 May (epub); Pinkel, *et al.* (1998) *Nature Genetics* 20:211; Solinas-Toldo, S., *et al.* (1996) *Cancer Res* 56, 3803-7; Mahlamaki, E. H., *et al.* (1997) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 20, 383-91; Mahlamaki, E. H., *et al.* (2002) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 35, 353-8; Fukushige, S., *et al.* (1997) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 19:161-9; Curtis, L. J., *et al.* (1998) *Genomics* 53, 42-55; Ghadimi, B. M., *et al.* (1999) *Am J Pathol* 154, 525-36; Armengol, G., *et al.* (2000) *Cancer Genet Cytogenet* 116, 133-41), fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) analysis (Nilsson M *et al.* (2004) *Int J Cancer* 109(3):363-9; Kawasaki K *et al.* (2003) *Int J Mol Med.* 12(5):727-31) and loss of heterozygosity (LOH) mapping (Wang ZC *et al.* (2004) *Cancer Res* 64(1):64-71; Seymour, A. B., *et al.* (1994) *Cancer Res* 54, 2761-4; Hahn, S. A., *et al.* (1995) *Cancer Res* 55, 4670-5; Kimura, M., *et al.* (1996) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 17, 88-93) have identified recurrent regions of copy number change or allelic loss in various cancers. For example, in pancreatic cancer, frequent gains have been mapped to 3q, 5p, 7p,

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8q, 11q, 12p, 17q and 20q and losses to 3p, 4q, 6q, 8p, 9p, 10q, 12q, 13q, 17p, 18q and 21q and 22q. In some instances, validated oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes residing within these loci have been identified, including MYC (8q24), p16<sup>INK4A</sup> (9p21), p53 (17p13), SMAD4 (18q21) and AKT2 (19q13). However, for the majority of amplified and deleted loci and resident genes, the presumed cancer-relevant targets remain to be discovered.

### **Summary of the Invention**

The present invention is based, at least in part, on the identification of specific regions of the genome (referred to herein as minimal common regions (MCRs)), of recurrent copy number change which are contained within certain chromosomal regions (loci) and are associated with cancer. These MCRs were identified using a novel cDNA or oligomer-based platform and bioinformatics tools which allowed for the high-resolution characterization of copy-number alterations in the pancreatic adenocarcinoma genome (see Example 1). The present invention is based, also in part, on the identification of markers residing within the MCRs of the invention, which are also associated with cancer.

Accordingly, in one aspect, the present invention provides methods of assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer, comprising comparing the copy number of an MCR in a subject sample to the normal copy number of the MCR, wherein the MCR is selected from the group consisting of the MCRs listed in Table 1, and wherein an altered copy number of the MCR in the sample indicates that the subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer. In one embodiment, the copy number is assessed by fluorescent in situ hybridization (FISH). In another embodiment, the copy number is assessed by quantitative PCR (qPCR). In still another embodiment, the normal copy number is obtained from a control sample. In yet another embodiment, the sample is selected from the group consisting of tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue.

In another aspect, the invention provides methods of assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer comprising comparing the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker in a subject sample, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, and the normal amount, structure, and/or activity of the marker, wherein a significant difference between the amount, structure, and/or activity of the marker in the sample and the normal amount, structure, and/or activity is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5. In another embodiment, the amount of the marker is determined by determining the level of expression of the marker. In yet another embodiment, the level of

expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a protein corresponding to the marker. The presence of the protein may be detected using a reagent which specifically binds with the protein. In one embodiment, the reagent is selected from the group consisting of an antibody, an antibody derivative, and an antibody fragment. In another embodiment, the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed polynucleotide or portion thereof, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide comprises the marker. In one embodiment, the transcribed polynucleotide is an mRNA or cDNA. The level of expression of the marker in the sample may also be assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed polynucleotide which anneals with the marker or anneals with a portion of a polynucleotide wherein the polynucleotide comprises the marker, under stringent hybridization conditions.

In another embodiment, the amount of the marker is determined by determining copy number of the marker. The copy number of the MCRs or markers may be assessed by comparative genomic hybridization (CGH), *e.g.*, array CGH. In still another embodiment, the normal amount, structure, and/or activity is obtained from a control sample. In yet another embodiment, the sample is selected from the group consisting of tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue.

In another aspect, the invention provides methods for monitoring the progression of cancer in a subject comprising a) detecting in a subject sample at a first point in time, the amount and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1; b) repeating step a) at a subsequent point in time; and c) comparing the amount and/or activity detected in steps a) and b), and therefrom monitoring the progression of cancer in the subject. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5. In another embodiment, the sample is selected from the group consisting of tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue. In still another embodiment, the sample comprises cells obtained from the subject. In yet another embodiment, between the first point in time and the subsequent point in time, the subject has undergone treatment for cancer, has completed treatment for cancer, and/or is in remission.

In still another aspect, the invention provides methods of assessing the efficacy of a test compound for inhibiting cancer in a subject comprising comparing the amount and/or activity of a marker in a first sample obtained from the subject and maintained in the presence of the test compound, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, and the amount and/or activity of the marker in a second sample obtained from the subject and maintained in the absence of the test compound, wherein a

significantly higher amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample which is deleted in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer, and wherein a significantly lower amount and/or activity of the marker in the first sample which is amplified in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer in the subject. In one embodiment, the first and second samples are portions of a single sample obtained from the subject. In another embodiment, the first and second samples are portions of pooled samples obtained from the subject. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

10 In yet another aspect, the invention provides methods of assessing the efficacy of a therapy for inhibiting cancer in a subject comprising comparing the amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample obtained from the subject prior to providing at least a portion of the therapy to the subject, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, and the amount and/or activity of the marker in a second sample obtained  
15 from the subject following provision of the portion of the therapy, wherein a significantly higher amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample which is deleted in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer and wherein a significantly lower amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample which is amplified in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication  
20 that the therapy is efficacious for inhibiting cancer in the subject. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

Another aspect of the invention provides methods of selecting a composition capable of modulating cancer comprising obtaining a sample comprising cancer cells; contacting said cells with a test compound; and determining the ability of the test  
25 compound to modulate the amount and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, thereby identifying a modulator of cancer. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5. The cells may be isolated from, *e.g.*, an animal model of cancer, a cancer cell line, *e.g.*, a pancreatic cancer cell line originating from a pancreatic  
30 tumor, or from a subject suffering from cancer.

Yet another aspect of the invention provides methods of selecting a composition capable of modulating cancer comprising contacting a marker with a test compound; and determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the amount and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, thereby  
35 identifying a composition capable of modulating cancer. In one embodiment, the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5. In another embodiment, the method further comprises administering the test compound to an animal model of cancer. In still another embodiment, the modulator inhibits the amount and/or

activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker set forth in Table 1 which is amplified, *e.g.*, a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 5. In yet another embodiment, the modulator increases the amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker set forth in Table 1 which is deleted, *e.g.*, a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4.

In another aspect, the invention provides kits for assessing the ability of a compound to inhibit cancer comprising a reagent for assessing the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1. In one embodiment, the marker selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

The invention also provides kits for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer comprising a reagent for assessing the copy number of an MCR selected from the group consisting of the MCRs listed in Table 1, as well as kits for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer, the kit comprising a reagent for assessing the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker. In one embodiment, the marker selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

In another aspect, the invention provides kits for assessing the presence of human cancer cells comprising an antibody or fragment thereof, wherein the antibody or fragment thereof specifically binds with a protein corresponding to a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1. In one embodiment, the marker selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

In still another aspect, the invention provides kits for assessing the presence of cancer cells comprising a nucleic acid probe wherein the probe specifically binds with a transcribed polynucleotide corresponding to a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1. In one embodiment, the marker selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

In yet another aspect, the invention provides methods of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a modulator of the amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1. In one embodiment, the marker selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

The invention also provides methods of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a compound which inhibits the amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 which is amplified in cancer, *e.g.*, a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 5, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer. In one embodiment, the compound is administered in a pharmaceutically acceptable formulation. In another embodiment, the compound is an antibody or an antigen binding fragment thereof, which specifically binds

to a protein corresponding to the marker. For example, the antibody may be conjugated to a toxin or a chemotherapeutic agent. In still another embodiment, the compound is an RNA interfering agent, *e.g.*, an siRNA molecule or an shRNA molecule, which inhibits expression of a gene corresponding to the marker. In yet another embodiment, the compound is an antisense oligonucleotide complementary to a gene corresponding to the marker. In still another embodiment, the compound is a peptide or peptidomimetic, a small molecule which inhibits activity of the marker, *e.g.*, a small molecule which inhibits a protein-protein interaction between a marker and a target protein, or an aptamer which inhibits expression or activity of the marker.

10 In another aspect, the invention provides methods of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a compound which increases expression or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 which is deleted in cancer, *e.g.*, a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer. In one embodiment, the compound is a small molecule.

The invention also includes methods of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a protein corresponding to a marker, *e.g.*, a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer. In one embodiment, the protein is provided to the cells of the subject, by a vector comprising a polynucleotide encoding the protein. In still another embodiment, the compound is administered in a pharmaceutically acceptable formulation.

The present invention also provides isolated proteins, or fragments thereof, corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

25 In another aspect, the invention provides isolated nucleic acid molecules, or fragments thereof, corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

In still another aspect, the invention provides isolated antibodies, or fragments thereof, which specifically bind to a protein corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

30 In yet another aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule, or fragment thereof, contained within an MCR selected from the MCRs listed in Table 1, wherein said nucleic acid molecule has an altered amount, structure, and/or activity in cancer. The invention also provides an isolated polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecules.

### **Brief Description of the Drawings**

*Figures 1A-1C* depict the genomic profiles from pancreatic adenocarcinoma samples. Array-CGH profiles with x-axis coordinates representing cDNA probes ordered by genomic map positions. Segmented data is displayed in red, median filtered (3 nearest neighbors) in blue and raw data in black. (1A) Whole-genome profiles of primary tumor specimen PA.T.7692 (top) and cell line Panc 10.05 (bottom). Note the presence of focal high-level amplifications and deletions as well as large regional gains and losses in both samples. (1B) Recurrence of chromosomal alterations. Top: Integer-value recurrence of CNAs in segmented data (Y-axis) plotted for each cDNA probe evenly aligned along the x-axis in genome order. Dark red or green bars denote gain or loss of chromosome material. Bright red or green bars represent probes within regions of amplification or deletion. Bottom: TreeView showing discrete CNAs within all samples. Red represents chromosomal gain and green denotes chromosomal loss. (1C) CGH profiles of 12p12.3-q13.3 locus (Locus # 15 of Table 1) in three samples illustrating the definition of the physical extent, peak profile and MCRs for that locus. Note that the left MCR is defined by the overlap between samples on top and bottom, while the right MCR is defined by the overlap between the two samples on top. Since data points are plotted on the x-axis by genomic map positions, gaps in the profiles encompass regions of copy number transition for which there is no data point.

*Figures 2A-2B* depict that QPCR verifies complexity within CNAs. (2A) Chromosome 7 CGH profiles (Left panel) showing amplification of a discrete region of 7q22 in both the AsPC-1 cell line and PA.T.14172 (Locus # 9, Table 1), with MCR defined by both samples (outlined by dashed lines). Letters A-D indicate the relative positions of QPCR assays (Right panel), which confirm the gene copy alterations in AsPC-1 (dark gray bars) and PA.T.14172 (light gray bars). (2B) Chromosome 9 array-CGH profile (Left panel) for a complex CNA in the HUP-T3 cell line. Homozygous deletion of the known target p16<sup>Ink4a</sup> is confirmed by QPCR (Right panel), which also verifies the existence of two discrete, focal amplicons and a narrow region of one-copy loss revealed by array-CGH. Note that CNAs covered by only one or two probes are not identified by the segmentation algorithm.

*Figures 3A-3C* depict that combined array-CGH and expression analysis facilitates identification of candidate genes. (3A) Analysis of 17q23.2-25.3 locus (Locus #21, Table 1) in cell line Hup T3. Top panel: array-CGH profile of HUP-T3. Bottom panel: Expression profile of genes on Affymetrix U133A array within the specified locus for the HUP-T3 cell line. The subset of genes exhibiting prominent gene-dosage correlated expression fall within the peak of the locus (arrows). (3B) Analysis of 9p24.3-21.2 locus (Locus #41, Table 1) in the cell line BxPC-3. Top panel: array-CGH profile of 9p region. Bottom panel: Affymetrix<sup>TM</sup> expression profile of genes mapping to the same region. Note

the dramatically reduced expression of the  $p16^{\text{INK4A}}$  gene (arrows) within the MCR. (3C) Correlation of  $p16^{\text{INK4A}}$  expression and copy number in 24 cell lines was analyzed. Note the bimodal distribution of both expression values and copy number values for this gene across all samples (green lines). The box outlined in dots defines those samples (BxPC-3, MiaPaCa, Capan 1, Hup-T3 and Dan-G) in which  $p16^{\text{INK4A}}$  is homozygously deleted and not expressed. The box outlined in solid lines encloses samples (Panc-1, Panc 03.27, SW1990, Panc 08.13, Hup-T4 and Panc 02.13) in which  $p16^{\text{INK4A}}$  is present but with absent or reduced expression.

*Figure 4* depicts a histogram of segmented profiles showing the peak at a  $\text{Log}_2$  ratio of 0 as a result of mode centering. Outer lines mark 3% (del) and 97% (amp) quantiles; inner lines mark  $\pm 4$  standard deviation of middle 50% of data.

*Figure 5* depicts a comparison of array-CGH profiles of pancreatic adenocarcinoma primary tumors and cell lines. A pseudo-karyotype presentation of an integer-value recurrence plot by chromosome is shown here for both primary tumors (PT) and cell lines (CL). Gain is shown on the right of the chromosome and loss on the left of the chromosome. Important regions of similarity between PT and CL are highlighted with boxes and chromosomes with prominent discrepancies between PT and CL are circled.

*Figure 6* depicts a whole-genome correlation of copy number and expression in the cell line Capan-1. Median filtered (width = 31 probes) array-CGH and expression data are indicated in light blue and gold, respectively. Note that fluctuations in average gene expression correlate with changes in chromosome copy number ( $R = 0.66$ ).

### **Detailed Description of the Invention**

The present invention is based, at least in part, on the identification of specific regions of the genome (referred to herein as minimal common regions (MCRs)), of recurrent copy number change which are contained within certain chromosomal regions (loci) and are associated with cancer. These MCRs were identified using a novel cDNA or oligomer-based platform and bioinformatics tools which allowed for the high-resolution characterization of copy-number alterations in the pancreatic adenocarcinoma genome (see Example 1).

To arrive at the identified loci and MCRs, array comparative genomic hybridization (array-CGH) was utilized to define copy number aberrations (CNAs) (gains and losses of chromosomal regions) in pancreatic adenocarcinoma cell lines and tumor specimens.

Segmentation analysis of the raw profiles to filter noise from the dataset (as described by Olshen and Venkatraman, Olshen, A. B., and Venkatraman, E. S. (2002) *ASA Proceedings of the Joint Statistical Meetings* 2530-2535; Ginzinger, D. G. (2002) *Exp Hematol* 30, 503-12; Golub, T. R., et al. (1999) *Science* 286, 531-7; Hyman, E., et al.

(2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 6240-5; Lucito, R., *et al.* (2003) *Genome Res* 13, 2291-305) was performed and used to identify statistically significant changepoints in the data.

Identification of loci was based on an automated computer algorithm that utilized several basic criteria as follows: 1) segments above or below certain percentiles were identified as altered; 2) if two or more altered segments were adjacent in a single profile separated by less than 500KB, the entire region spanned by the segments was considered to be an altered span; 3) highly altered segments or spans that were shorter than 20MB were retained as “informative spans” for defining discrete locus boundaries. Longer regions were not discarded, but were not included in defining locus boundaries; 4) informative spans were compared across samples to identify overlapping groups of positive-value or negative-value segments; each group defines a locus; and 5) MCRs were defined as contiguous spans having at least 75% of the peak recurrence as calculated by counting the occurrence of highly altered segments. If two MCRs were separated by a gap of only one probe position, they were joined. If there were more than 3 MCRs in a locus, the whole region was reported as a single complex MCR.

A locus-identification algorithm was used that defines informative CNAs on the basis of size and achievement of a high significance threshold for the amplitude of change. Overlapping CNAs from multiple profiles were then merged in an automated fashion to define a discrete “locus” of regional copy number change, the bounds of which represent the combined physical extend to these overlapping CNAs (Figure 1C). Each locus was characterized by a peak profile, the width and amplitude of which reflect the contour of the most prominent amplification or deletion for that locus. Furthermore, within each locus, one or more minimal common regions (MCRs) were identified across multiple tumor samples (Figure 1C), with each MCR potentially harboring a distinct cancer-relevant gene targeted for copy number alteration across the sample set.

The locus-identification algorithm defined discrete MCRs within the dataset which were annotated in terms of recurrence, amplitude of change and representation in both cell lines and primary tumors. These discrete MCRs were prioritized based on four criteria that emphasize recurrent high-threshold changes in both primary tumors and cell lines (see Example 1). Implementation of this prioritization scheme yielded 64 MCRs of the present invention within 54 independent loci, that satisfied at least three of the four criteria (see Table 1).

The confidence-level ascribed to these prioritized loci was further validated by real-time quantitative PCR (QPCR), which demonstrated 100% concordance with 16 selected MCRs defined by array-CGH. When the MCRs in Table 1 were combined with an additional 81 MCRs (within 66 distinct loci) satisfying 2 out of 4 criteria, this genomic characterization has produced a set of 145 MCRs within 121 independent loci (Table 3).

The MCRs identified herein possess a median size of 2.7 Mb, with 21 (33%) MCRs spanning 1 Mb or less (median of 0.33 Mb) and possess an average of 15 annotated genes. Table 1 lists the cytogenetic bands for each of the 54 independent loci as well as the locus boundary (Mb) and locus peak profile. The positions of each of the identified MCRs are also listed in Table 1, as well as the size and recurrence for each. For example, locus #3 represents a chromosomal region of 5q31.1-q31.1 and has a locus boundary of 133.51-134.33. This locus contains an MCR at position 133.53-133.56.

Also in Table 1, the loci and MCRs are indicated as having either “gain and amplification” or “loss and deletion,” indicating that each locus and MCR has either (1) increased copy number and/or expression or (2) decreased copy number and/or expression, or deletion, in cancer. Furthermore, genes known to play important roles in the pathogenesis of pancreatic adenocarcinoma (the p16<sup>INK4A</sup> and TP53 tumor suppressors and the MYC, KRAS2 and AKT2 oncogenes) are present within the loci and are also set forth in Table 1.

Complementary expression profile analysis of a significant fraction of the genes residing within the MCRs of the present invention provided a subset of markers with statistically significant association between gene dosage and mRNA expression. Table 4 lists the markers of the invention which reside in MCRs of deletion and which consequently display decreased expression by comparison across pancreatic cancer cell lines. Table 5 lists the markers of the invention which reside in MCRs of amplification that are overexpressed by comparison, across pancreatic cancer cell lines. Additional markers within the MCRs that have not yet been annotated may also be used as markers for cancer as described herein, and are included in the invention.

The novel methods for identifying chromosomal regions of altered copy number, as described herein, may be applied to various data sets for various diseases, including, but not limited to, cancer. Other methods may be used to determine copy number aberrations as are known in the art, including, but not limited to oligonucleotide-based microarrays (Brennan, *et al.* (2004) *In Press*; Lucito, *et al.* (2003) *Genome Res.* 13:2291-2305; Bignell *et al.* (2004) *Genome Res.* 14:287-295; Zhao, *et al.* (2004) *Cancer Research, In Press*), and other methods as described herein including, for example, hybridization methods (FISH).

The amplification or deletion of the MCRs identified herein correlate with the presence of cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic cancer and other epithelial cancers. Furthermore, analysis of copy number and/or expression levels of the genes residing within each MCR has led to the identification of individual markers and combinations of markers described herein, the increased and decreased expression and/or increased and decreased copy number of which correlate with the presence of cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic cancer, *e.g.*, in a subject.

Accordingly, methods are provided herein for detecting the presence of cancer in a sample, the absence of cancer in a sample, and other characteristics of cancer that are

relevant to prevention, diagnosis, characterization, and therapy of cancer in a subject by evaluating alterations in the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker. For example, evaluation of the presence, absence or copy number of the MCRs identified herein, or by evaluating the copy number, expression level, protein level, protein activity, presence of mutations (*e.g.*, substitution, deletion, or addition mutations) which affect activity of the marker, or methylation status of any one or more of the markers within the MCRs (*e.g.*, the markers set forth in Tables 4 and 5), is within the scope of the invention.

Methods are also provided herein for the identification of compounds which are capable of inhibiting cancer, in a subject, and for the treatment, prevention, and/or inhibition of cancer using a modulator, *e.g.*, an agonist or antagonist, of a gene or protein marker of the invention.

Although the MCRs and markers described herein were identified in pancreatic cancer samples, the methods of the invention are in no way limited to use for the prevention, diagnosis, characterization, therapy and prevention of pancreatic cancer, *e.g.*, the methods of the invention may be applied to any cancer, as described herein.

Various aspects of the invention are described in further detail in the following subsections:

## **I. Definitions**

As used herein, each of the following terms has the meaning associated with it in this section.

The articles "a" and "an" are used herein to refer to one or to more than one (*i.e.* to at least one) of the grammatical object of the article. By way of example, "an element" means one element or more than one element.

The terms "tumor" or "cancer" refer to the presence of cells possessing characteristics typical of cancer-causing cells, such as uncontrolled proliferation, immortality, metastatic potential, rapid growth and proliferation rate, and certain characteristic morphological features. Cancer cells are often in the form of a tumor, but such cells may exist alone within an animal, or may be a non-tumorigenic cancer cell, such as a leukemia cell. As used herein, the term "cancer" includes premalignant as well as malignant cancers. Cancers include, but are not limited to, pancreatic cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic adenocarcinoma, melanomas, breast cancer, lung cancer, bronchus cancer, colorectal cancer, prostate cancer, pancreas cancer, stomach cancer, ovarian cancer, urinary bladder cancer, brain or central nervous system cancer, peripheral nervous system cancer, esophageal cancer, cervical cancer, uterine or endometrial cancer, cancer of the oral cavity or pharynx, liver cancer, kidney cancer, testicular cancer, biliary tract cancer, small bowel or appendix cancer, salivary gland cancer, thyroid gland cancer, adrenal gland cancer, osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, cancer of hematological tissues, and the like.

The term “pancreatic cancer” or “neoplasia” as used herein, includes PanIns, adenomas, adenocarcinomas, gastrinomas, somatostatinomas, insulinomas and glucagonomas of the pancreas.

As used herein, the term “adenocarcinoma” is carcinoma that develops in the lining  
5 or inner surface of an organ and is derived from glandular tissue or in which the tumor cells form recognizable glandular structures.

As used interchangeably herein, the terms, “pancreatic adenocarcinoma,” or “pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma” is an adenocarcinoma of the pancreas. In one embodiment, pancreatic adenocarcinomas arise from the progression of premalignant  
10 lesions that occur in the pancreatic ducts (pancreatic intraepithelial neoplasia, referred to herein as “PanIN”). The methods described herein may be used to detect premalignant cancers, *e.g.*, PanIns, as well as malignant cancers.

A “minimal common region (MCR),” as used herein, refers to a contiguous chromosomal region which displays either gain and amplification (increased copy number)  
15 or loss and deletion (decreased copy number) in the genome of a cancer. An MCR includes at least one nucleic acid sequence which has increased or decreased copy number and which is associated with a cancer. The MCRs of the instant invention include, but are not limited to, those set forth in Table 1.

A “marker” is a gene or protein which may be altered, wherein said alteration is  
20 associated with cancer. The alteration may be in amount, structure, and/or activity in a cancer tissue or cancer cell, as compared to its amount, structure, and/or activity, in a normal or healthy tissue or cell (*e.g.*, a control), and is associated with a disease state, such as cancer. For example, a marker of the invention which is associated with cancer may have altered copy number, expression level, protein level, protein activity, or methylation  
25 status, in a cancer tissue or cancer cell as compared to a normal, healthy tissue or cell. Furthermore, a “marker” includes a molecule whose structure is altered, *e.g.*, mutated (contains an allelic variant), *e.g.*, differs from the wild type sequence at the nucleotide or amino acid level, *e.g.*, by substitution, deletion, or addition, when present in a tissue or cell associated with a disease state, such as cancer.

30 The term “altered amount” of a marker or “altered level” of a marker refers to increased or decreased copy number of a marker or chromosomal region, *e.g.*, MCR, and/or increased or decreased expression level of a particular marker gene or genes in a cancer sample, as compared to the expression level or copy number of the marker in a control sample. The term “altered amount” of a marker also includes an increased or decreased  
35 protein level of a marker in a sample, *e.g.*, a cancer sample, as compared to the protein level of the marker in a normal, control sample. Furthermore, an altered amount of a marker may be determined by detecting the methylation status of a marker, as described herein, which may affect the expression or activity of a marker.

The amount of a marker, *e.g.*, expression or copy number of a marker or MCR, or protein level of a marker, in a subject is "significantly" higher or lower than the normal amount of a marker or MCR, if the amount of the marker is greater or less, respectively, than the normal level by an amount greater than the standard error of the assay employed to assess amount, and preferably at least twice, and more preferably three, four, five, ten or more times that amount. Alternately, the amount of the marker or MCR in the subject can be considered "significantly" higher or lower than the normal amount if the amount is at least about two, and preferably at least about three, four, or five times, higher or lower, respectively, than the normal amount of the marker or MCR.

The "copy number of a gene" or the "copy number of a marker" refers to the number of DNA sequences in a cell encoding a particular gene product. Generally, for a given gene, a mammal has two copies of each gene. The copy number can be increased, however, by gene amplification or duplication, or reduced by deletion.

The "normal" copy number of a marker or MCR or "normal" level of expression of a marker is the level of expression, copy number of the marker, or copy number of the MCR, in a biological sample, *e.g.*, a sample containing tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue, from a subject, *e.g.* a human, not afflicted with cancer.

The term "altered level of expression" of a marker or MCR refers to an expression level or copy number of a marker in a test sample *e.g.*, a sample derived from a patient suffering from cancer, that is greater or less than the standard error of the assay employed to assess expression or copy number, and is preferably at least twice, and more preferably three, four, five or ten or more times the expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in a control sample (*e.g.*, sample from a healthy subjects not having the associated disease) and preferably, the average expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in several control samples. The altered level of expression is greater or less than the standard error of the assay employed to assess expression or copy number, and is preferably at least twice, and more preferably three, four, five or ten or more times the expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in a control sample (*e.g.*, sample from a healthy subjects not having the associated disease) and preferably, the average expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in several control samples.

An "overexpression" or "significantly higher level of expression or copy number" of a marker or MCR refers to an expression level or copy number in a test sample that is greater than the standard error of the assay employed to assess expression or copy number, and is preferably at least twice, and more preferably three, four, five or ten or more times the expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in a control sample (*e.g.*, sample from a healthy subject not afflicted with cancer) and preferably, the average expression level or copy number of the marker or MCR in several control samples.

“Methylation status” of a marker refers to the methylation pattern, *e.g.*, methylation of the promoter of the marker, and/or methylation levels of the marker. DNA methylation is a heritable, reversible and epigenetic change. Yet, DNA methylation has the potential to alter gene expression, which has developmental and genetic consequences. DNA

5 methylation has been linked to cancer, as described in, for example, Laird, *et al.* (1994) *Human Molecular Genetics* 3:1487-1495 and Laird, P. (2003) *Nature* 3:253-266, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference. For example, methylation of CpG oligonucleotides in the promoters of tumor suppressor genes can lead to their inactivation. In addition, alterations in the normal methylation process are associated with genomic

10 instability (Lengauer *et al.* *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 94:2545-2550, 1997). Such abnormal epigenetic changes may be found in many types of cancer and can, therefore, serve as potential markers for oncogenic transformation.

Methods for determining methylation include restriction landmark genomic scanning (Kawai *et al.*, *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 14:7421-7427, 1994), methylation-sensitive

15 arbitrarily primed PCR (Gonzalzo *et al.*, *Cancer Res.* 57:594-599, 1997); digestion of genomic DNA with methylation-sensitive restriction enzymes followed by Southern analysis of the regions of interest (digestion-Southern method); PCR-based process that involves digestion of genomic DNA with methylation-sensitive restriction enzymes prior to PCR amplification (Singer-Sam *et al.*, *Nucl. Acids Res.* 18:687,1990); genomic sequencing

20 using bisulfite treatment (Frommer *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:1827-1831, 1992); methylation-specific PCR (MSP) (Herman *et al.* *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93:9821-9826, 1992); and restriction enzyme digestion of PCR products amplified from bisulfite-converted DNA (Sadri and Hornsby, *Nucl. Acids Res.* 24:5058-5059, 1996; and Xiong and Laird, *Nucl. Acids. Res.* 25:2532-2534, 1997); PCR techniques for detection of gene mutations

25 (Kuppuswamy *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:1143-1147, 1991) and quantitation of allelic-specific expression (Szabo and Mann, *Genes Dev.* 9:3097-3108, 1995; and Singer-Sam *et al.*, *PCR Methods Appl.* 1:160-163, 1992); and methods described in U.S. Patent No. 6,251,594, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference. An integrated genomic and epigenomic analysis as described in Zardo, *et al.* (2000) *Nature Genetics*

30 32:453-458, may also be used.

The term “altered activity” of a marker refers to an activity of a marker which is increased or decreased in a disease state, *e.g.*, in a cancer sample, as compared to the activity of the marker in a normal, control sample. Altered activity of a marker may be the result of, for example, altered expression of the marker, altered protein level of the marker,

35 altered structure of the marker, or, *e.g.*, an altered interaction with other proteins involved in the same or different pathway as the marker or altered interaction with transcriptional activators or inhibitors, or altered methylation status.

The term “altered structure” of a marker refers to the presence of mutations or allelic variants within the marker gene or marker protein, *e.g.*, mutations which affect expression or activity of the marker, as compared to the normal or wild-type gene or protein. For example, mutations include, but are not limited to substitutions, deletions, or addition mutations. Mutations may be present in the coding or non-coding region of the marker.

A “marker nucleic acid” is a nucleic acid (*e.g.*, DNA, mRNA, cDNA) encoded by or corresponding to a marker of the invention. For example, such marker nucleic acid molecules include DNA (*e.g.*, cDNA) comprising the entire or a partial sequence of any of the nucleic acid sequences set forth in Tables 4 or 5 or the complement or hybridizing fragment of such a sequence. The marker nucleic acid molecules also include RNA comprising the entire or a partial sequence of any of the nucleic acid sequences set forth in Tables 4 or 5 or the complement of such a sequence, wherein all thymidine residues are replaced with uridine residues. A “marker protein” is a protein encoded by or corresponding to a marker of the invention. A marker protein comprises the entire or a partial sequence of a protein encoded by any of the sequences set forth in Tables 4 or 5 or a fragment thereof. The terms “protein” and “polypeptide” are used interchangeably herein.

A “marker,” as used herein, includes any nucleic acid sequence present in an MCR as set forth in Table 1, or a protein encoded by such a sequence.

Markers identified herein include diagnostic and therapeutic markers. A single marker may be a diagnostic marker, a therapeutic marker, or both a diagnostic and therapeutic marker.

As used herein, the term “therapeutic marker” includes markers, *e.g.*, markers set forth in Tables 4 and 5, which are believed to be involved in the development (including maintenance, progression, angiogenesis, and/or metastasis) of cancer. The cancer-related functions of a therapeutic marker may be confirmed by, *e.g.*, (1) increased or decreased copy number (by, *e.g.*, fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) or quantitative PCR (qPCR)) or mutation (*e.g.*, by sequencing), overexpression or underexpression (*e.g.*, by in situ hybridization (ISH), Northern Blot, or qPCR), increased or decreased protein levels (*e.g.*, by immunohistochemistry (IHC)), or increased or decreased protein activity (determined by, for example, modulation of a pathway in which the marker is involved), *e.g.*, in more than about 5%, 6%, 7%, 8%, 9%, 10%, 11%, 12%, 13%, 14%, 15%, 20%, 25%, or more of human cancers; (2) the inhibition of cancer cell proliferation and growth, *e.g.*, in soft agar, by, *e.g.*, RNA interference (“RNAi”) of the marker; (3) the ability of the marker to enhance transformation of mouse embryo fibroblasts (MEFs) by oncogenes, *e.g.*, *Myc* and *RAS*, or by *RAS* alone; (4) the ability of the marker to enhance or decrease the growth of tumor cell lines, *e.g.*, in soft agar; (5) the ability of the marker to transform primary mouse cells in SCID explant; and/or; (6) the prevention of maintenance or

formation of tumors, *e.g.*, tumors arising *de novo* in an animal or tumors derived from human cancer cell lines, by inhibiting or activating the marker. In one embodiment, a therapeutic marker may be used as a diagnostic marker.

As used herein, the term "diagnostic marker" includes markers, *e.g.*, markers set forth in Tables 4 and 5, which are useful in the diagnosis of cancer, *e.g.*, over- or under-activity emergence, expression, growth, remission, recurrence or resistance of tumors before, during or after therapy. The predictive functions of the marker may be confirmed by, *e.g.*, (1) increased or decreased copy number (*e.g.*, by FISH or qPCR), overexpression or underexpression (*e.g.*, by ISH, Northern Blot, or qPCR), increased or decreased protein level (*e.g.*, by IHC), or increased or decreased activity (determined by, for example, modulation of a pathway in which the marker is involved), *e.g.*, in more than about 5%, 6%, 7%, 8%, 9%, 10%, 11%, 12%, 13%, 14%, 15%, 20%, 25%, or more of human cancers; (2) its presence or absence in a biological sample, *e.g.*, a sample containing tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue from a subject, *e.g.* a human, afflicted with cancer; (3) its presence or absence in clinical subset of patients with cancer (*e.g.*, those responding to a particular therapy or those developing resistance). Diagnostic markers also include "surrogate markers," *e.g.*, markers which are indirect markers of disease progression.

The term "probe" refers to any molecule which is capable of selectively binding to a specifically intended target molecule, for example a marker of the invention. Probes can be either synthesized by one skilled in the art, or derived from appropriate biological preparations. For purposes of detection of the target molecule, probes may be specifically designed to be labeled, as described herein. Examples of molecules that can be utilized as probes include, but are not limited to, RNA, DNA, proteins, antibodies, and organic monomers.

As used herein, the term "promoter/regulatory sequence" means a nucleic acid sequence which is required for expression of a gene product operably linked to the promoter/regulatory sequence. In some instances, this sequence may be the core promoter sequence and in other instances, this sequence may also include an enhancer sequence and other regulatory elements which are required for expression of the gene product. The promoter/regulatory sequence may, for example, be one which expresses the gene product in a tissue-specific manner.

An "RNA interfering agent" as used herein, is defined as any agent which interferes with or inhibits expression of a target gene, *e.g.*, a marker of the invention, by RNA interference (RNAi). Such RNA interfering agents include, but are not limited to, nucleic acid molecules including RNA molecules which are homologous to the target gene, *e.g.*, a marker of the invention, or a fragment thereof, short interfering RNA (siRNA), and small

molecules which interfere with or inhibit expression of a target gene by RNA interference (RNAi).

“RNA interference (RNAi)” is an evolutionally conserved process whereby the expression or introduction of RNA of a sequence that is identical or highly similar to a target gene results in the sequence specific degradation or specific post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) of messenger RNA (mRNA) transcribed from that targeted gene (*see* Coburn, G. and Cullen, B. (2002) *J. of Virology* 76(18):9225), thereby inhibiting expression of the target gene. In one embodiment, the RNA is double stranded RNA (dsRNA). This process has been described in plants, invertebrates, and mammalian cells. In nature, RNAi is initiated by the dsRNA-specific endonuclease Dicer, which promotes processive cleavage of long dsRNA into double-stranded fragments termed siRNAs. siRNAs are incorporated into a protein complex that recognizes and cleaves target mRNAs. RNAi can also be initiated by introducing nucleic acid molecules, *e.g.*, synthetic siRNAs or RNA interfering agents, to inhibit or silence the expression of target genes. As used herein, “inhibition of target gene expression” or “inhibition of marker gene expression” includes any decrease in expression or protein activity or level of the target gene (*e.g.*, a marker gene of the invention) or protein encoded by the target gene, *e.g.*, a marker protein of the invention. The decrease may be of at least 30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95% or 99% or more as compared to the expression of a target gene or the activity or level of the protein encoded by a target gene which has not been targeted by an RNA interfering agent.

“Short interfering RNA” (siRNA), also referred to herein as “small interfering RNA” is defined as an agent which functions to inhibit expression of a target gene, *e.g.*, by RNAi. An siRNA may be chemically synthesized, may be produced by *in vitro* transcription, or may be produced within a host cell. In one embodiment, siRNA is a double stranded RNA (dsRNA) molecule of about 15 to about 40 nucleotides in length, preferably about 15 to about 28 nucleotides, more preferably about 19 to about 25 nucleotides in length, and more preferably about 19, 20, 21, or 22 nucleotides in length, and may contain a 3' and/or 5' overhang on each strand having a length of about 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 nucleotides. The length of the overhang is independent between the two strands, *i.e.*, the length of the overhang on one strand is not dependent on the length of the overhang on the second strand. Preferably the siRNA is capable of promoting RNA interference through degradation or specific post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) of the target messenger RNA (mRNA).

In another embodiment, an siRNA is a small hairpin (also called stem loop) RNA (shRNA). In one embodiment, these shRNAs are composed of a short (*e.g.*, 19-25 nucleotide) antisense strand, followed by a 5-9 nucleotide loop, and the analogous sense strand. Alternatively, the sense strand may precede the nucleotide loop structure and the antisense strand may follow. These shRNAs may be contained in plasmids, retroviruses,

and lentiviruses and expressed from, for example, the pol III U6 promoter, or another promoter (*see, e.g., Stewart, et al. (2003) RNA Apr;9(4):493-501 incorporated by reference herein*).

RNA interfering agents, *e.g.,* siRNA molecules, may be administered to a patient  
5 having or at risk for having cancer, to inhibit expression of a marker gene of the invention, *e.g.,* a marker gene which is overexpressed in cancer (such as the markers listed in Table 5) and thereby treat, prevent, or inhibit cancer in the subject.

A "constitutive" promoter is a nucleotide sequence which, when operably linked with a polynucleotide which encodes or specifies a gene product, causes the gene product to  
10 be produced in a living human cell under most or all physiological conditions of the cell.

An "inducible" promoter is a nucleotide sequence which, when operably linked with a polynucleotide which encodes or specifies a gene product, causes the gene product to be produced in a living human cell substantially only when an inducer which corresponds to the promoter is present in the cell.

15 A "tissue-specific" promoter is a nucleotide sequence which, when operably linked with a polynucleotide which encodes or specifies a gene product, causes the gene product to be produced in a living human cell substantially only if the cell is a cell of the tissue type corresponding to the promoter.

A "transcribed polynucleotide" is a polynucleotide (*e.g.* an RNA, a cDNA, or an  
20 analog of one of an RNA or cDNA) which is complementary to or homologous with all or a portion of a mature RNA made by transcription of a marker of the invention and normal post-transcriptional processing (*e.g.* splicing), if any, of the transcript, and reverse transcription of the transcript.

"Complementary" refers to the broad concept of sequence complementarity between  
25 regions of two nucleic acid strands or between two regions of the same nucleic acid strand. It is known that an adenine residue of a first nucleic acid region is capable of forming specific hydrogen bonds ("base pairing") with a residue of a second nucleic acid region which is antiparallel to the first region if the residue is thymine or uracil. Similarly, it is known that a cytosine residue of a first nucleic acid strand is capable of base pairing with a  
30 residue of a second nucleic acid strand which is antiparallel to the first strand if the residue is guanine. A first region of a nucleic acid is complementary to a second region of the same or a different nucleic acid if, when the two regions are arranged in an antiparallel fashion, at least one nucleotide residue of the first region is capable of base pairing with a residue of the second region. Preferably, the first region comprises a first portion and the second  
35 region comprises a second portion, whereby, when the first and second portions are arranged in an antiparallel fashion, at least about 50%, and preferably at least about 75%, at least about 90%, or at least about 95% of the nucleotide residues of the first portion are capable of base pairing with nucleotide residues in the second portion. More preferably, all

nucleotide residues of the first portion are capable of base pairing with nucleotide residues in the second portion.

The terms "homology" or "identity," as used interchangeably herein, refer to sequence similarity between two polynucleotide sequences or between two polypeptide sequences, with identity being a more strict comparison. The phrases "percent identity or homology" and "% identity or homology" refer to the percentage of sequence similarity found in a comparison of two or more polynucleotide sequences or two or more polypeptide sequences. "Sequence similarity" refers to the percent similarity in base pair sequence (as determined by any suitable method) between two or more polynucleotide sequences. Two or more sequences can be anywhere from 0-100% similar, or any integer value there between. Identity or similarity can be determined by comparing a position in each sequence that may be aligned for purposes of comparison. When a position in the compared sequence is occupied by the same nucleotide base or amino acid, then the molecules are identical at that position. A degree of similarity or identity between polynucleotide sequences is a function of the number of identical or matching nucleotides at positions shared by the polynucleotide sequences. A degree of identity of polypeptide sequences is a function of the number of identical amino acids at positions shared by the polypeptide sequences. A degree of homology or similarity of polypeptide sequences is a function of the number of amino acids at positions shared by the polypeptide sequences. The term "substantial homology," as used herein, refers to homology of at least 50%, more preferably, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95% or more.

A marker is "fixed" to a substrate if it is covalently or non-covalently associated with the substrate such the substrate can be rinsed with a fluid (*e.g.* standard saline citrate, pH 7.4) without a substantial fraction of the marker dissociating from the substrate.

As used herein, a "naturally-occurring" nucleic acid molecule refers to an RNA or DNA molecule having a nucleotide sequence that occurs in nature (*e.g.* encodes a natural protein).

Cancer is "inhibited" if at least one symptom of the cancer is alleviated, terminated, slowed, or prevented. As used herein, cancer is also "inhibited" if recurrence or metastasis of the cancer is reduced, slowed, delayed, or prevented.

A kit is any manufacture (*e.g.* a package or container) comprising at least one reagent, *e.g.* a probe, for specifically detecting a marker of the invention, the manufacture being promoted, distributed, or sold as a unit for performing the methods of the present invention.

## II. Uses of the Invention

The present invention is based, in part, on the identification of chromosomal regions (MCRs) which are structurally altered leading to a different copy number in cancer cells as compared to normal (*i.e.* non-cancerous) cells. Furthermore, the present invention is based, in part, on the identification of markers, *e.g.*, markers which reside in the MCRs of the invention, which have an altered amount, structure, and/or activity in cancer cells as compared to normal (*i.e.*, non-cancerous) cells. The markers of the invention correspond to DNA, cDNA, RNA, and polypeptide molecules which can be detected in one or both of normal and cancerous cells.

The amount, structure, and/or activity, *e.g.*, the presence, absence, copy number, expression level, protein level, protein activity, presence of mutations, *e.g.*, mutations which affect activity of the marker (*e.g.*, substitution, deletion, or addition mutations), and/or methylation status, of one or more of these markers in a sample, *e.g.*, a sample containing tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue, is herein correlated with the cancerous state of the tissue. In addition, the presence, absence, and/or copy number of one or more of the MCRs of the invention in a sample is also correlated with the cancerous state of the tissue. The invention thus provides compositions, kits, and methods for assessing the cancerous state of cells (*e.g.* cells obtained from a non-human, cultured non-human cells, and *in vivo* cells) as well as methods for treatment, prevention, and/or inhibition of cancer using a modulator, *e.g.*, an agonist or antagonist, of a marker of the invention.

The compositions, kits, and methods of the invention have the following uses, among others:

- 1) assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer;
- 2) assessing the stage of cancer in a human subject;
- 3) assessing the grade of cancer in a subject;
- 4) assessing the benign or malignant nature of cancer in a subject;
- 5) assessing the metastatic potential of cancer in a subject;
- 6) assessing the histological type of neoplasm associated with cancer in a subject;
- 7) making antibodies, antibody fragments or antibody derivatives that are useful for treating cancer and/or assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer;
- 8) assessing the presence of cancer cells;
- 9) assessing the efficacy of one or more test compounds for inhibiting cancer in a subject;

- 10) assessing the efficacy of a therapy for inhibiting cancer in a subject;
- 11) monitoring the progression of cancer in a subject;
- 12) selecting a composition or therapy for inhibiting cancer, *e.g.*, in a subject;
- 13) treating a subject afflicted with cancer;
- 14) inhibiting cancer in a subject;
- 15) assessing the carcinogenic potential of a test compound; and
- 16) preventing the onset of cancer in a subject at risk for developing cancer.

The invention thus includes a method of assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or is at risk for developing cancer. This method comprises comparing the amount, structure, and/or activity, *e.g.*, the presence, absence, copy number, expression level, protein level, protein activity, presence of mutations, *e.g.*, mutations which affect activity of the marker (*e.g.*, substitution, deletion, or addition mutations), and/or methylation status, of a marker in a subject sample with the normal level. A significant difference between the amount, structure, or activity of the marker in the subject sample and the normal level is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. The invention also provides a method for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or is at risk for developing cancer by comparing the level of expression of marker(s) within an MCR or copy number of an MCR in a cancer sample with the level of expression of marker(s) within an MCR or copy number of an MCR in a normal, control sample. A significant difference between the level of expression of marker(s) within an MCR or copy number of the MCR in the subject sample and the normal level is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. The MCR is selected from the group consisting of those listed in Table 1.

The marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 and 5. Table 4 lists markers which have a highly significant correlation between gene expression and gene dosage ( $p, 0.05$ ). The level of expression or copy number of these markers is decreased in samples histologically identified as pancreatic cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic adenocarcinoma. Table 4 also lists the chromosome, physical position in Mb, Gene Weight, p-value, Affymetrix<sup>TM</sup> probe(s) number corresponding to each UniGene ID, Genebank Accession No. (*i.e.*, "GI" number), and SEQ ID NO. for each of the markers. Although one or more molecules corresponding to the markers listed in Table 4 may have been described by others, the significance of these markers with regard to the cancerous state of cells, has not previously been identified.

Table 5 also lists markers which have a highly significant correlation between gene expression and gene dosage (p, 0.05). The level of expression or copy number of these markers is increased in samples histologically identified as pancreatic cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic adenocarcinoma. Table 5 also lists the chromosome, physical position in Mb, Gene Weight, p-value, Affymetrix™ probe(s) number corresponding to each UniGene ID, Genebank Accession No. (*i.e.*, “GI” number), and SEQ ID NO. for each of these markers. Although one or more molecules corresponding to the markers listed in Table 5 may have been described by others, the significance of these markers with regard to the cancerous state of cells, has not previously been identified.

Any marker or combination of markers listed in Tables 4 or 5 or any MCR or combination of MCRs listed in Table 1, may be used in the compositions, kits, and methods of the present invention. In general, it is preferable to use markers for which the difference between the amount, *e.g.*, level of expression or copy number, and/or activity of the marker or MCR in cancer cells and the amount, *e.g.*, level of expression or copy number, and/or activity of the same marker in normal cells, is as great as possible. Although this difference can be as small as the limit of detection of the method for assessing amount and/or activity of the marker, it is preferred that the difference be at least greater than the standard error of the assessment method, and preferably a difference of at least 2-, 3-, 4-, 5-, 6-, 7-, 8-, 9-, 10-, 15-, 20-, 25-, 100-, 500-, 1000-fold or greater than the amount, *e.g.*, level of expression or copy number, and/or activity of the same biomarker in normal tissue.

It is understood that by routine screening of additional subject samples using one or more of the markers of the invention, it will be realized that certain of the markers have altered amount, structure, and/or activity in cancers of various types, including specific pancreatic cancers, as well as other cancers, *e.g.*, carcinoma, sarcoma, lymphoma or leukemia, examples of which include, but are not limited to, melanomas, breast cancer, lung cancer, bronchus cancer, colorectal cancer, prostate cancer, pancreas cancer, stomach cancer, ovarian cancer, urinary bladder cancer, brain or central nervous system cancer, peripheral nervous system cancer, esophageal cancer, cervical cancer, uterine or endometrial cancer, cancer of the oral cavity or pharynx, liver cancer, kidney cancer, testicular cancer, biliary tract cancer, small bowel or appendix cancer, salivary gland cancer, thyroid gland cancer, adrenal gland cancer, osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, cancer of hematological tissues, and the like.

For example, it will be confirmed that some of the markers of the invention have altered amount, structure, and/or activity in some, *i.e.*, 10%, 20%, 30%, or 40%, or most (*i.e.* 50% or more) or substantially all (*i.e.* 80% or more) of cancer, *e.g.*, pancreatic cancer. Furthermore, it will be confirmed that certain of the markers of the invention are associated with cancer of various histologic subtypes.

In addition, as a greater number of subject samples are assessed for altered amount, structure, and/or activity of the markers or altered expression or copy number MCRs of the invention and the outcomes of the individual subjects from whom the samples were obtained are correlated, it will also be confirmed that markers have altered amount,  
5 structure, and/or activity of certain of the markers or altered expression or copy number of MCRs of the invention are strongly correlated with malignant cancers and that altered expression of other markers of the invention are strongly correlated with benign tumors or premalignant states. The compositions, kits, and methods of the invention are thus useful for characterizing one or more of the stage, grade, histological type, and  
10 benign/premalignant/malignant nature of cancer in subjects.

When the compositions, kits, and methods of the invention are used for characterizing one or more of the stage, grade, histological type, and benign/  
pre-malignant/malignant nature of cancer, in a subject, it is preferred that the marker or MCR or panel of markers or MCRs of the invention be selected such that a positive result is  
15 obtained in at least about 20%, and preferably at least about 40%, 60%, or 80%, and more preferably, in substantially all, subjects afflicted with cancer, of the corresponding stage, grade, histological type, or benign/premalignant/malignant nature. Preferably, the marker or panel of markers of the invention is selected such that a PPV (positive predictive value) of greater than about 10% is obtained for the general population (more preferably coupled  
20 with an assay specificity greater than 99.5%).

When a plurality of markers or MCRs of the invention are used in the compositions, kits, and methods of the invention, the amount, structure, and/or activity of each marker or level of expression or copy number can be compared with the normal amount, structure, and/or activity of each of the plurality of markers or level of expression or copy number, in  
25 non-cancerous samples of the same type, either in a single reaction mixture (*i.e.* using reagents, such as different fluorescent probes, for each marker) or in individual reaction mixtures corresponding to one or more of the markers or MCRs.

In one embodiment, a significantly altered amount, structure, and/or activity of more than one of the plurality of markers, or significantly altered copy number of one or more of  
30 the MCRs in the sample, relative to the corresponding normal levels, is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. For example, a significantly lower copy number in the sample of each of the plurality of markers or MCRs, relative to the corresponding normal levels or copy number, is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. In yet another embodiment, a significantly enhanced copy number of one or more markers or  
35 MCRs and a significantly lower level of expression or copy number of one or more markers or MCRs in a sample relative to the corresponding normal levels, is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. Also, for example, a significantly enhanced copy number in the sample of each of the plurality of markers or MCRs, relative to the corresponding

normal copy number, is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer. In yet another embodiment, a significantly enhanced copy number of one or more markers or MCRs and a significantly lower copy number of one or more markers or MCRs in a sample relative to the corresponding normal levels, is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer.

When a plurality of markers or MCRs are used, it is preferred that 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30, or 50 or more individual markers or MCRs be used or identified, wherein fewer markers or MCRs are preferred.

Only a small number of markers are known to be associated with, for example, pancreatic cancer (*e.g.*, *AKT2*, p16<sup>INK4a</sup>, *c-MYC*, *SMAD4*, and *TP53*; Lynch, *supra*). These markers or other markers which are known to be associated with other types of cancer may be used together with one or more markers of the invention in, for example, a panel of markers. In addition, frequent gains have been mapped to 3q, 5p, 7p, 8q, 11q, 12p, 17q and 20q and losses to 3p, 4q, 6q, 8p, 9p, 10q, 12q, 13q, 17p, 18q and 21q and 22q in pancreatic cancer. In some instances, validated oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes residing within these loci have been identified, including *MYC* (8q24), p16<sup>INK4A</sup> (9p21), p53 (17p13), *SMAD4* (18q21) and *AKT2* (19q13). It is well known that certain types of genes, such as oncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, growth factor-like genes, protease-like genes, and protein kinase-like genes are often involved with development of cancers of various types. Thus, among the markers of the invention, use of those which correspond to proteins which resemble known proteins encoded by known oncogenes and tumor suppressor genes, and those which correspond to proteins which resemble growth factors, proteases, and protein kinases, are preferred.

It is recognized that the compositions, kits, and methods of the invention will be of particular utility to subjects having an enhanced risk of developing cancer, and their medical advisors. Subjects recognized as having an enhanced risk of developing cancer, include, for example, subjects having a familial history of cancer, subjects identified as having a mutant oncogene (*i.e.* at least one allele), and subjects of advancing age.

An alteration, *e.g.* copy number, amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker in normal (*i.e.* non-cancerous) human tissue can be assessed in a variety of ways. In one embodiment, the normal level of expression or copy number is assessed by assessing the level of expression and/or copy number of the marker or MCR in a portion of cells which appear to be non-cancerous and by comparing this normal level of expression or copy number with the level of expression or copy number in a portion of the cells which are suspected of being cancerous. For example, when laparoscopy or other medical procedure, reveals the presence of a tumor on one portion of an organ, the normal level of expression or copy number of a marker or MCR may be assessed using the non-affected portion of the organ, and this normal level of expression or copy number may be compared with the level

of expression or copy number of the same marker in an affected portion (*i.e.*, the tumor) of the organ. Alternately, and particularly as further information becomes available as a result of routine performance of the methods described herein, population-average values for “normal” copy number, amount, structure, and/or activity of the markers or MCRs of the invention may be used. In other embodiments, the “normal” copy number, amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker or MCR may be determined by assessing copy number, amount, structure, and/or activity of the marker or MCR in a subject sample obtained from a non-cancer-afflicted subject, from a subject sample obtained from a subject before the suspected onset of cancer in the subject, from archived subject samples, and the like.

The invention includes compositions, kits, and methods for assessing the presence of cancer cells in a sample (*e.g.* an archived tissue sample or a sample obtained from a subject). These compositions, kits, and methods are substantially the same as those described above, except that, where necessary, the compositions, kits, and methods are adapted for use with certain types of samples. For example, when the sample is a paraffinized, archived human tissue sample, it may be necessary to adjust the ratio of compounds in the compositions of the invention, in the kits of the invention, or the methods used. Such methods are well known in the art and within the skill of the ordinary artisan.

The invention thus includes a kit for assessing the presence of cancer cells (*e.g.* in a sample such as a subject sample). The kit may comprise one or more reagents capable of identifying a marker or MCR of the invention, *e.g.*, binding specifically with a nucleic acid or polypeptide corresponding to a marker or MCR of the invention. Suitable reagents for binding with a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention include antibodies, antibody derivatives, antibody fragments, and the like. Suitable reagents for binding with a nucleic acid (*e.g.* a genomic DNA, an mRNA, a spliced mRNA, a cDNA, or the like) include complementary nucleic acids. For example, the nucleic acid reagents may include oligonucleotides (labeled or non-labeled) fixed to a substrate, labeled oligonucleotides not bound with a substrate, pairs of PCR primers, molecular beacon probes, and the like.

The kit of the invention may optionally comprise additional components useful for performing the methods of the invention. By way of example, the kit may comprise fluids (*e.g.*, SSC buffer) suitable for annealing complementary nucleic acids or for binding an antibody with a protein with which it specifically binds, one or more sample compartments, an instructional material which describes performance of a method of the invention, a sample of normal cells, a sample of cancer cells, and the like.

A kit of the invention may comprise a reagent useful for determining protein level or protein activity of a marker. In another embodiment, a kit of the invention may comprise a reagent for determining methylation status of a marker, or may comprise a reagent for determining alteration of structure of a marker, *e.g.*, the presence of a mutation.

The invention also includes a method of making an isolated hybridoma which produces an antibody useful in methods and kits of the present invention. A protein corresponding to a marker of the invention may be isolated (*e.g.* by purification from a cell in which it is expressed or by transcription and translation of a nucleic acid encoding the protein *in vivo* or *in vitro* using known methods) and a vertebrate, preferably a mammal such as a mouse, rat, rabbit, or sheep, is immunized using the isolated protein. The vertebrate may optionally (and preferably) be immunized at least one additional time with the isolated protein, so that the vertebrate exhibits a robust immune response to the protein. Splenocytes are isolated from the immunized vertebrate and fused with an immortalized cell line to form hybridomas, using any of a variety of methods well known in the art. Hybridomas formed in this manner are then screened using standard methods to identify one or more hybridomas which produce an antibody which specifically binds with the protein. The invention also includes hybridomas made by this method and antibodies made using such hybridomas.

The invention also includes a method of assessing the efficacy of a test compound for inhibiting cancer cells. As described above, differences in the amount, structure, and/or activity of the markers of the invention, or level of expression or copy number of the MCRs of the invention, correlate with the cancerous state of cells. Although it is recognized that changes in the levels of amount, *e.g.*, expression or copy number, structure, and/or activity of certain of the markers or expression or copy number of the MCRs of the invention likely result from the cancerous state of cells, it is likewise recognized that changes in the amount may induce, maintain, and promote the cancerous state. Thus, compounds which inhibit cancer, in a subject may cause a change, *e.g.*, a change in expression and/or activity of one or more of the markers of the invention to a level nearer the normal level for that marker (*e.g.*, the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity for the marker in non-cancerous cells).

This method thus comprises comparing amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker in a first cell sample and maintained in the presence of the test compound and amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of the marker in a second cell sample and maintained in the absence of the test compound. A significant increase in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), a significant decrease in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), is an indication that the test compound inhibits cancer. The cell samples may, for example, be aliquots of a single sample of normal cells obtained from a subject, pooled samples of normal cells obtained from a subject, cells of a normal cell lines, aliquots of a single sample of cancer, cells obtained from a subject, pooled samples of cancer, cells obtained from a subject, cells of a cancer cell line, cells from an animal model of cancer, or the like. In one embodiment, the samples are cancer cells obtained from a subject and a plurality of

compounds known to be effective for inhibiting various cancers, are tested in order to identify the compound which is likely to best inhibit the cancer in the subject.

This method may likewise be used to assess the efficacy of a therapy, *e.g.*, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, surgery, or any other therapeutic approach useful for inhibiting cancer in a subject. In this method, the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of one or more markers of the invention in a pair of samples (one subjected to the therapy, the other not subjected to the therapy) is assessed. As with the method of assessing the efficacy of test compounds, if the therapy induces a significant decrease in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), blocks induction of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), or if the therapy induces a significant enhancement of the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), then the therapy is efficacious for inhibiting cancer. As above, if samples from a selected subject are used in this method, then alternative therapies can be assessed *in vitro* in order to select a therapy most likely to be efficacious for inhibiting cancer in the subject.

This method may likewise be used to monitor the progression of cancer in a subject, wherein if a sample in a subject has a significant decrease in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), or blocks induction of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), or a significant enhancement of the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), during the progression of cancer, *e.g.*, at a first point in time and a subsequent point in time, then the cancer has improved. In yet another embodiment, between the first point in time and a subsequent point in time, the subject has undergone treatment, *e.g.*, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, surgery, or any other therapeutic approach useful for inhibiting cancer, has completed treatment, or is in remission.

As described herein, cancer in subjects is associated with an increase in amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of one or more markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), and/or a decrease in amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of one or more markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer). While, as discussed above, some of these changes in amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity number result from occurrence of the cancer, others of these changes induce, maintain, and promote the cancerous state of cancer cells. Thus, cancer characterized by an increase in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of one or more markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), can be inhibited by inhibiting amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of those markers. Likewise, cancer characterized by a decrease in the amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of one or

more markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), can be inhibited by enhancing amount, *e.g.*, expression, and/or activity of those markers.

Amount and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), can be inhibited in a number of ways generally known in the art. For example, an antisense oligonucleotide can be provided to the cancer cells in order to inhibit transcription, translation, or both, of the marker(s). An RNA interfering agent, *e.g.*, an siRNA molecule, which is targeted to a marker listed in Table 5, can be provided to the cancer cells in order to inhibit expression of the target marker, *e.g.*, through degradation or specific post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) of the messenger RNA (mRNA) of the target marker. Alternately, a polynucleotide encoding an antibody, an antibody derivative, or an antibody fragment, *e.g.*, a fragment capable of binding an antigen, and operably linked with an appropriate promoter or regulator region, can be provided to the cell in order to generate intracellular antibodies which will inhibit the function, amount, and/or activity of the protein corresponding to the marker(s). Conjugated antibodies or fragments thereof, *e.g.*, chemolabeled antibodies, radiolabeled antibodies, or immunotoxins targeting a marker of the invention may also be administered to treat, prevent or inhibit cancer.

A small molecule may also be used to modulate, *e.g.*, inhibit, expression and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5. In one embodiment, a small molecule functions to disrupt a protein-protein interaction between a marker of the invention and a target molecule or ligand, thereby modulating, *e.g.*, increasing or decreasing the activity of the marker.

Using the methods described herein, a variety of molecules, particularly including molecules sufficiently small that they are able to cross the cell membrane, can be screened in order to identify molecules which inhibit amount and/or activity of the marker(s). The compound so identified can be provided to the subject in order to inhibit amount and/or activity of the marker(s) in the cancer cells of the subject.

Amount and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), can be enhanced in a number of ways generally known in the art. For example, a polynucleotide encoding the marker and operably linked with an appropriate promoter/regulator region can be provided to cells of the subject in order to induce enhanced expression and/or activity of the protein (and mRNA) corresponding to the marker therein. Alternatively, if the protein is capable of crossing the cell membrane, inserting itself in the cell membrane, or is normally a secreted protein, then amount and/or activity of the protein can be enhanced by providing the protein (*e.g.* directly or by way of the bloodstream) to cancer cells in the subject. A small molecule may also be used to modulate, *e.g.*, increase, expression or activity of a marker listed in Table 4. Furthermore, in another embodiment, a modulator of a marker of the invention, *e.g.*, a small molecule, may be used, for example, to re-express a silenced gene, *e.g.*, a tumor suppressor, in order

to treat or prevent cancer. For example, such a modulator may interfere with a DNA binding element or a methyltransferase.

As described above, the cancerous state of human cells is correlated with changes in the amount and/or activity of the markers of the invention. Thus, compounds which induce  
5 increased expression or activity of one or more of the markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), decreased amount and/or activity of one or more of the markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer), can induce cell carcinogenesis. The invention also includes a method for assessing the human cell carcinogenic potential of a test compound. This method comprises  
10 maintaining separate aliquots of human cells in the presence and absence of the test compound. Expression or activity of a marker of the invention in each of the aliquots is compared. A significant increase in the amount and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), or a significant decrease in the amount and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be  
15 decreased in cancer), in the aliquot maintained in the presence of the test compound (relative to the aliquot maintained in the absence of the test compound) is an indication that the test compound possesses human cell carcinogenic potential. The relative carcinogenic potentials of various test compounds can be assessed by comparing the degree of enhancement or inhibition of the amount and/or activity of the relevant markers, by  
20 comparing the number of markers for which the amount and/or activity is enhanced or inhibited, or by comparing both.

Various aspects of the invention are described in further detail in the following subsections.

### 25 **III. Isolated Nucleic Acid Molecules**

One aspect of the invention pertains to isolated nucleic acid molecules that correspond to a marker of the invention, including nucleic acids which encode a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention or a portion of such a polypeptide. The nucleic acid molecules of the invention include those nucleic acid molecules which  
30 reside in the MCRs identified herein. Isolated nucleic acid molecules of the invention also include nucleic acid molecules sufficient for use as hybridization probes to identify nucleic acid molecules that correspond to a marker of the invention, including nucleic acid molecules which encode a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention, and fragments of such nucleic acid molecules, *e.g.*, those suitable for use as PCR primers for the  
35 amplification or mutation of nucleic acid molecules. As used herein, the term "nucleic acid molecule" is intended to include DNA molecules (*e.g.*, cDNA or genomic DNA) and RNA molecules (*e.g.*, mRNA) and analogs of the DNA or RNA generated using nucleotide

analogs. The nucleic acid molecule can be single-stranded or double-stranded, but preferably is double-stranded DNA.

An "isolated" nucleic acid molecule is one which is separated from other nucleic acid molecules which are present in the natural source of the nucleic acid molecule.

5 Preferably, an "isolated" nucleic acid molecule is free of sequences (preferably protein-encoding sequences) which naturally flank the nucleic acid (*i.e.*, sequences located at the 5' and 3' ends of the nucleic acid) in the genomic DNA of the organism from which the nucleic acid is derived. For example, in various embodiments, the isolated nucleic acid molecule can contain less than about 5 kB, 4 kB, 3 kB, 2 kB, 1 kB, 0.5 kB or 0.1 kB of  
10 nucleotide sequences which naturally flank the nucleic acid molecule in genomic DNA of the cell from which the nucleic acid is derived. Moreover, an "isolated" nucleic acid molecule, such as a cDNA molecule, can be substantially free of other cellular material or culture medium when produced by recombinant techniques, or substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals when chemically synthesized.

15 A nucleic acid molecule of the present invention, *e.g.*, a nucleic acid molecules encoding a protein corresponding to a marker listed in Tables 4 or 5, can be isolated using standard molecular biology techniques and the sequence information in the database records described herein. Using all or a portion of such nucleic acid sequences, nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be isolated using standard hybridization and cloning  
20 techniques (*e.g.*, as described in Sambrook *et al.*, ed., *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2nd ed.*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989).

A nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be amplified using cDNA, mRNA, or genomic DNA as a template and appropriate oligonucleotide primers according to standard PCR amplification techniques. The nucleic acid molecules so amplified can be cloned into  
25 an appropriate vector and characterized by DNA sequence analysis. Furthermore, oligonucleotides corresponding to all or a portion of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be prepared by standard synthetic techniques, *e.g.*, using an automated DNA synthesizer.

In another preferred embodiment, an isolated nucleic acid molecule of the invention  
30 comprises a nucleic acid molecule which has a nucleotide sequence complementary to the nucleotide sequence of a nucleic acid corresponding to a marker of the invention or to the nucleotide sequence of a nucleic acid encoding a protein which corresponds to a marker of the invention. A nucleic acid molecule which is complementary to a given nucleotide sequence is one which is sufficiently complementary to the given nucleotide sequence that  
35 it can hybridize to the given nucleotide sequence thereby forming a stable duplex.

Moreover, a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can comprise only a portion of a nucleic acid sequence, wherein the full length nucleic acid sequence comprises a marker of the invention or which encodes a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention.

Such nucleic acid molecules can be used, for example, as a probe or primer. The probe/primer typically is used as one or more substantially purified oligonucleotides. The oligonucleotide typically comprises a region of nucleotide sequence that hybridizes under stringent conditions to at least about 7, preferably about 15, more preferably about 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 150, 175, 200, 250, 300, 350, or 400 or more consecutive nucleotides of a nucleic acid of the invention.

Probes based on the sequence of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be used to detect transcripts or genomic sequences corresponding to one or more markers of the invention. The probe comprises a label group attached thereto, *e.g.*, a radioisotope, a fluorescent compound, an enzyme, or an enzyme co-factor. Such probes can be used as part of a diagnostic test kit for identifying cells or tissues which mis-express the protein, such as by measuring levels of a nucleic acid molecule encoding the protein in a sample of cells from a subject, *e.g.*, detecting mRNA levels or determining whether a gene encoding the protein has been mutated or deleted.

The invention further encompasses nucleic acid molecules that differ, due to degeneracy of the genetic code, from the nucleotide sequence of nucleic acid molecules encoding a protein which corresponds to a marker of the invention, and thus encode the same protein.

In addition to the nucleotide sequences described in Tables 4 or 5, it will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that DNA sequence polymorphisms that lead to changes in the amino acid sequence can exist within a population (*e.g.*, the human population). Such genetic polymorphisms can exist among individuals within a population due to natural allelic variation. An allele is one of a group of genes which occur alternatively at a given genetic locus. In addition, it will be appreciated that DNA polymorphisms that affect RNA expression levels can also exist that may affect the overall expression level of that gene (*e.g.*, by affecting regulation or degradation).

As used herein, the phrase "allelic variant" refers to a nucleotide sequence which occurs at a given locus or to a polypeptide encoded by the nucleotide sequence.

As used herein, the terms "gene" and "recombinant gene" refer to nucleic acid molecules comprising an open reading frame encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention. Such natural allelic variations can typically result in 1-5% variance in the nucleotide sequence of a given gene. Alternative alleles can be identified by sequencing the gene of interest in a number of different individuals. This can be readily carried out by using hybridization probes to identify the same genetic locus in a variety of individuals. Any and all such nucleotide variations and resulting amino acid polymorphisms or variations that are the result of natural allelic variation and that do not alter the functional activity are intended to be within the scope of the invention.

In another embodiment, an isolated nucleic acid molecule of the invention is at least 7, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 60, 80, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 550, 650, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1200, 1400, 1600, 1800, 2000, 2200, 2400, 2600, 2800, 3000, 3500, 4000, 4500, or more nucleotides in length and hybridizes under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule corresponding to a marker of the invention or to a nucleic acid molecule encoding a protein corresponding to a marker of the invention. As used herein, the term "hybridizes under stringent conditions" is intended to describe conditions for hybridization and washing under which nucleotide sequences at least 60% (65%, 70%, preferably 75%) identical to each other typically remain hybridized to each other. Such stringent conditions are known to those skilled in the art and can be found in sections 6.3.1-6.3.6 of *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley & Sons, N.Y. (1989). A preferred, non-limiting example of stringent hybridization conditions are hybridization in 6X sodium chloride/sodium citrate (SSC) at about 45°C, followed by one or more washes in 0.2X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 50-65°C.

In addition to naturally-occurring allelic variants of a nucleic acid molecule of the invention that can exist in the population, the skilled artisan will further appreciate that sequence changes can be introduced by mutation thereby leading to changes in the amino acid sequence of the encoded protein, without altering the biological activity of the protein encoded thereby. For example, one can make nucleotide substitutions leading to amino acid substitutions at "non-essential" amino acid residues. A "non-essential" amino acid residue is a residue that can be altered from the wild-type sequence without altering the biological activity, whereas an "essential" amino acid residue is required for biological activity. For example, amino acid residues that are not conserved or only semi-conserved among homologs of various species may be non-essential for activity and thus would be likely targets for alteration. Alternatively, amino acid residues that are conserved among the homologs of various species (*e.g.*, murine and human) may be essential for activity and thus would not be likely targets for alteration.

Accordingly, another aspect of the invention pertains to nucleic acid molecules encoding a polypeptide of the invention that contain changes in amino acid residues that are not essential for activity. Such polypeptides differ in amino acid sequence from the naturally-occurring proteins which correspond to the markers of the invention, yet retain biological activity. In one embodiment, such a protein has an amino acid sequence that is at least about 40% identical, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95%, or 98% identical to the amino acid sequence of one of the proteins which correspond to the markers of the invention.

An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a variant protein can be created by introducing one or more nucleotide substitutions, additions or deletions into the nucleotide sequence of nucleic acids of the invention, such that one or more amino acid residue substitutions, additions, or deletions are introduced into the encoded protein. Mutations can be introduced by standard techniques, such as site-directed mutagenesis and PCR-mediated

mutagenesis. Preferably, conservative amino acid substitutions are made at one or more predicted non-essential amino acid residues. A "conservative amino acid substitution" is one in which the amino acid residue is replaced with an amino acid residue having a similar side chain. Families of amino acid residues having similar side chains have been defined in the art. These families include amino acids with basic side chains (*e.g.*, lysine, arginine, histidine), acidic side chains (*e.g.*, aspartic acid, glutamic acid), uncharged polar side chains (*e.g.*, glycine, asparagine, glutamine, serine, threonine, tyrosine, cysteine), non-polar side chains (*e.g.*, alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, phenylalanine, methionine, tryptophan), beta-branched side chains (*e.g.*, threonine, valine, isoleucine) and aromatic side chains (*e.g.*, tyrosine, phenylalanine, tryptophan, histidine). Alternatively, mutations can be introduced randomly along all or part of the coding sequence, such as by saturation mutagenesis, and the resultant mutants can be screened for biological activity to identify mutants that retain activity. Following mutagenesis, the encoded protein can be expressed recombinantly and the activity of the protein can be determined.

The present invention encompasses antisense nucleic acid molecules, *i.e.*, molecules which are complementary to a sense nucleic acid of the invention, *e.g.*, complementary to the coding strand of a double-stranded cDNA molecule corresponding to a marker of the invention or complementary to an mRNA sequence corresponding to a marker of the invention. Accordingly, an antisense nucleic acid molecule of the invention can hydrogen bond to (*i.e.* anneal with) a sense nucleic acid of the invention. The antisense nucleic acid can be complementary to an entire coding strand, or to only a portion thereof, *e.g.*, all or part of the protein coding region (or open reading frame). An antisense nucleic acid molecule can also be antisense to all or part of a non-coding region of the coding strand of a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide of the invention. The non-coding regions ("5' and 3' untranslated regions") are the 5' and 3' sequences which flank the coding region and are not translated into amino acids.

An antisense oligonucleotide can be, for example, about 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, or 50 or more nucleotides in length. An antisense nucleic acid of the invention can be constructed using chemical synthesis and enzymatic ligation reactions using procedures known in the art. For example, an antisense nucleic acid (*e.g.*, an antisense oligonucleotide) can be chemically synthesized using naturally occurring nucleotides or variously modified nucleotides designed to increase the biological stability of the molecules or to increase the physical stability of the duplex formed between the antisense and sense nucleic acids, *e.g.*, phosphorothioate derivatives and acridine substituted nucleotides can be used. Examples of modified nucleotides which can be used to generate the antisense nucleic acid include 5-fluorouracil, 5-bromouracil, 5-chlorouracil, 5-iodouracil, hypoxanthine, xanthine, 4-acetylcytosine, 5-(carboxyhydroxymethyl) uracil, 5-carboxymethylaminomethyl-2-thiouridine, 5-carboxymethylaminomethyluracil,

dihydrouracil, beta-D-galactosylqueosine, inosine, N6-isopentenyladenine, 1-methylguanine, 1-methylinosine, 2,2-dimethylguanine, 2-methyladenine, 2-methylguanine, 3-methylcytosine, 5-methylcytosine, N6-adenine, 7-methylguanine, 5-methylaminomethyluracil, 5-methoxyaminomethyl-2-thiouracil, beta-D-mannosylqueosine, 5'-methoxycarboxymethyluracil, 5-methoxyuracil, 2-methylthio-N6-isopentenyladenine, uracil-5-oxyacetic acid (v), wybutoxosine, pseudouracil, queosine, 2-thiocytosine, 5-methyl-2-thiouracil, 2-thiouracil, 4-thiouracil, 5-methyluracil, uracil-5-oxyacetic acid methylester, uracil-5-oxyacetic acid (v), 5-methyl-2-thiouracil, 3-(3-amino-3-N-2-carboxypropyl) uracil, (acp3)w, and 2,6-diaminopurine. Alternatively, the antisense nucleic acid can be produced biologically using an expression vector into which a nucleic acid has been sub-cloned in an antisense orientation (*i.e.*, RNA transcribed from the inserted nucleic acid will be of an antisense orientation to a target nucleic acid of interest, described further in the following subsection).

The antisense nucleic acid molecules of the invention are typically administered to a subject or generated *in situ* such that they hybridize with or bind to cellular mRNA and/or genomic DNA encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a selected marker of the invention to thereby inhibit expression of the marker, *e.g.*, by inhibiting transcription and/or translation. The hybridization can be by conventional nucleotide complementarity to form a stable duplex, or, for example, in the case of an antisense nucleic acid molecule which binds to DNA duplexes, through specific interactions in the major groove of the double helix. Examples of a route of administration of antisense nucleic acid molecules of the invention includes direct injection at a tissue site or infusion of the antisense nucleic acid into an ovary-associated body fluid. Alternatively, antisense nucleic acid molecules can be modified to target selected cells and then administered systemically. For example, for systemic administration, antisense molecules can be modified such that they specifically bind to receptors or antigens expressed on a selected cell surface, *e.g.*, by linking the antisense nucleic acid molecules to peptides or antibodies which bind to cell surface receptors or antigens. The antisense nucleic acid molecules can also be delivered to cells using the vectors described herein. To achieve sufficient intracellular concentrations of the antisense molecules, vector constructs in which the antisense nucleic acid molecule is placed under the control of a strong pol II or pol III promoter are preferred.

An antisense nucleic acid molecule of the invention can be an  $\alpha$ -anomeric nucleic acid molecule. An  $\alpha$ -anomeric nucleic acid molecule forms specific double-stranded hybrids with complementary RNA in which, contrary to the usual  $\alpha$ -units, the strands run parallel to each other (Gaultier *et al.*, 1987, *Nucleic Acids Res.* 15:6625-6641). The antisense nucleic acid molecule can also comprise a 2'-o-methylribonucleotide (Inoue *et al.*, 1987, *Nucleic Acids Res.* 15:6131-6148) or a chimeric RNA-DNA analogue (Inoue *et al.*, 1987, *FEBS Lett.* 215:327-330).

The invention also encompasses ribozymes. Ribozymes are catalytic RNA molecules with ribonuclease activity which are capable of cleaving a single-stranded nucleic acid, such as an mRNA, to which they have a complementary region. Thus, ribozymes (*e.g.*, hammerhead ribozymes as described in Haselhoff and Gerlach, 1988, *Nature* 334:585-591) can be used to catalytically cleave mRNA transcripts to thereby inhibit translation of the protein encoded by the mRNA. A ribozyme having specificity for a nucleic acid molecule encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention can be designed based upon the nucleotide sequence of a cDNA corresponding to the marker. For example, a derivative of a *Tetrahymena* L-19 IVS RNA can be constructed in which the nucleotide sequence of the active site is complementary to the nucleotide sequence to be cleaved (see Cech *et al.* U.S. Patent No. 4,987,071; and Cech *et al.* U.S. Patent No. 5,116,742). Alternatively, an mRNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention can be used to select a catalytic RNA having a specific ribonuclease activity from a pool of RNA molecules (see, *e.g.*, Bartel and Szostak, 1993, *Science* 261:1411-1418).

The invention also encompasses nucleic acid molecules which form triple helical structures. For example, expression of a polypeptide of the invention can be inhibited by targeting nucleotide sequences complementary to the regulatory region of the gene encoding the polypeptide (*e.g.*, the promoter and/or enhancer) to form triple helical structures that prevent transcription of the gene in target cells. See generally Helene (1991) *Anticancer Drug Des.* 6(6):569-84; Helene (1992) *Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci.* 660:27-36; and Maher (1992) *Bioassays* 14(12):807-15.

In various embodiments, the nucleic acid molecules of the invention can be modified at the base moiety, sugar moiety or phosphate backbone to improve, *e.g.*, the stability, hybridization, or solubility of the molecule. For example, the deoxyribose phosphate backbone of the nucleic acid molecules can be modified to generate peptide nucleic acid molecules (see Hyrup *et al.*, 1996, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry* 4(1): 5-23). As used herein, the terms "peptide nucleic acids" or "PNAs" refer to nucleic acid mimics, *e.g.*, DNA mimics, in which the deoxyribose phosphate backbone is replaced by a pseudopeptide backbone and only the four natural nucleobases are retained. The neutral backbone of PNAs has been shown to allow for specific hybridization to DNA and RNA under conditions of low ionic strength. The synthesis of PNA oligomers can be performed using standard solid phase peptide synthesis protocols as described in Hyrup *et al.* (1996), *supra*; Perry-O'Keefe *et al.* (1996) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93:14670-675.

PNAs can be used in therapeutic and diagnostic applications. For example, PNAs can be used as antisense or antigene agents for sequence-specific modulation of gene expression by, *e.g.*, inducing transcription or translation arrest or inhibiting replication. PNAs can also be used, *e.g.*, in the analysis of single base pair mutations in a gene by, *e.g.*, PNA directed PCR clamping; as artificial restriction enzymes when used in combination

with other enzymes, *e.g.*, S1 nucleases (Hyrup (1996), *supra*; or as probes or primers for DNA sequence and hybridization (Hyrup, 1996, *supra*; Perry-O'Keefe *et al.*, 1996, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93:14670-675).

In another embodiment, PNAs can be modified, *e.g.*, to enhance their stability or cellular uptake, by attaching lipophilic or other helper groups to PNA, by the formation of PNA-DNA chimeras, or by the use of liposomes or other techniques of drug delivery known in the art. For example, PNA-DNA chimeras can be generated which can combine the advantageous properties of PNA and DNA. Such chimeras allow DNA recognition enzymes, *e.g.*, RNASE H and DNA polymerases, to interact with the DNA portion while the PNA portion would provide high binding affinity and specificity. PNA-DNA chimeras can be linked using linkers of appropriate lengths selected in terms of base stacking, number of bonds between the nucleobases, and orientation (Hyrup, 1996, *supra*). The synthesis of PNA-DNA chimeras can be performed as described in Hyrup (1996), *supra*, and Finn *et al.* (1996) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 24(17):3357-63. For example, a DNA chain can be synthesized on a solid support using standard phosphoramidite coupling chemistry and modified nucleoside analogs. Compounds such as 5'-(4-methoxytrityl)amino-5'-deoxy-thymidine phosphoramidite can be used as a link between the PNA and the 5' end of DNA (Mag *et al.*, 1989, *Nucleic Acids Res.* 17:5973-88). PNA monomers are then coupled in a step-wise manner to produce a chimeric molecule with a 5' PNA segment and a 3' DNA segment (Finn *et al.*, 1996, *Nucleic Acids Res.* 24(17):3357-63). Alternatively, chimeric molecules can be synthesized with a 5' DNA segment and a 3' PNA segment (Peterser *et al.*, 1975, *Bioorganic Med. Chem. Lett.* 5:1119-11124).

In other embodiments, the oligonucleotide can include other appended groups such as peptides (*e.g.*, for targeting host cell receptors *in vivo*), or agents facilitating transport across the cell membrane (see, *e.g.*, Letsinger *et al.*, 1989, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:6553-6556; Lemaitre *et al.*, 1987, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:648-652; PCT Publication No. WO 88/09810) or the blood-brain barrier (see, *e.g.*, PCT Publication No. WO 89/10134). In addition, oligonucleotides can be modified with hybridization-triggered cleavage agents (see, *e.g.*, Krol *et al.*, 1988, *Bio/Techniques* 6:958-976) or intercalating agents (see, *e.g.*, Zon, 1988, *Pharm. Res.* 5:539-549). To this end, the oligonucleotide can be conjugated to another molecule, *e.g.*, a peptide, hybridization triggered cross-linking agent, transport agent, hybridization-triggered cleavage agent, etc.

The invention also includes molecular beacon nucleic acid molecules having at least one region which is complementary to a nucleic acid molecule of the invention, such that the molecular beacon is useful for quantitating the presence of the nucleic acid molecule of the invention in a sample. A "molecular beacon" nucleic acid is a nucleic acid molecule comprising a pair of complementary regions and having a fluorophore and a fluorescent quencher associated therewith. The fluorophore and quencher are associated with different

portions of the nucleic acid in such an orientation that when the complementary regions are annealed with one another, fluorescence of the fluorophore is quenched by the quencher. When the complementary regions of the nucleic acid molecules are not annealed with one another, fluorescence of the fluorophore is quenched to a lesser degree. Molecular beacon nucleic acid molecules are described, for example, in U.S. Patent 5,876,930.

#### IV. Isolated Proteins and Antibodies

One aspect of the invention pertains to isolated proteins which correspond to individual markers of the invention, and biologically active portions thereof, as well as polypeptide fragments suitable for use as immunogens to raise antibodies directed against a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention. In one embodiment, the native polypeptide corresponding to a marker can be isolated from cells or tissue sources by an appropriate purification scheme using standard protein purification techniques. In another embodiment, polypeptides corresponding to a marker of the invention are produced by recombinant DNA techniques. Alternative to recombinant expression, a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention can be synthesized chemically using standard peptide synthesis techniques.

An "isolated" or "purified" protein or biologically active portion thereof is substantially free of cellular material or other contaminating proteins from the cell or tissue source from which the protein is derived, or substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals when chemically synthesized. The language "substantially free of cellular material" includes preparations of protein in which the protein is separated from cellular components of the cells from which it is isolated or recombinantly produced. Thus, protein that is substantially free of cellular material includes preparations of protein having less than about 30%, 20%, 10%, or 5% (by dry weight) of heterologous protein (also referred to herein as a "contaminating protein"). When the protein or biologically active portion thereof is recombinantly produced, it is also preferably substantially free of culture medium, *i.e.*, culture medium represents less than about 20%, 10%, or 5% of the volume of the protein preparation. When the protein is produced by chemical synthesis, it is preferably substantially free of chemical precursors or other chemicals, *i.e.*, it is separated from chemical precursors or other chemicals which are involved in the synthesis of the protein. Accordingly such preparations of the protein have less than about 30%, 20%, 10%, 5% (by dry weight) of chemical precursors or compounds other than the polypeptide of interest.

Biologically active portions of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention include polypeptides comprising amino acid sequences sufficiently identical to or derived from the amino acid sequence of the protein corresponding to the marker (*e.g.*, the protein encoded by the nucleic acid molecules listed in Tables 4 or 5), which include fewer

amino acids than the full length protein, and exhibit at least one activity of the corresponding full-length protein. Typically, biologically active portions comprise a domain or motif with at least one activity of the corresponding protein. A biologically active portion of a protein of the invention can be a polypeptide which is, for example, 10, 25, 50, 100 or more amino acids in length. Moreover, other biologically active portions, in which other regions of the protein are deleted, can be prepared by recombinant techniques and evaluated for one or more of the functional activities of the native form of a polypeptide of the invention.

Preferred polypeptides have an amino acid sequence of a protein encoded by a nucleic acid molecule listed in Tables 4 or 5. Other useful proteins are substantially identical (*e.g.*, at least about 40%, preferably 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95%, or 99%) to one of these sequences and retain the functional activity of the protein of the corresponding naturally-occurring protein yet differ in amino acid sequence due to natural allelic variation or mutagenesis.

To determine the percent identity of two amino acid sequences or of two nucleic acids, the sequences are aligned for optimal comparison purposes (*e.g.*, gaps can be introduced in the sequence of a first amino acid or nucleic acid sequence for optimal alignment with a second amino or nucleic acid sequence). The amino acid residues or nucleotides at corresponding amino acid positions or nucleotide positions are then compared. When a position in the first sequence is occupied by the same amino acid residue or nucleotide as the corresponding position in the second sequence, then the molecules are identical at that position. The percent identity between the two sequences is a function of the number of identical positions shared by the sequences (*i.e.*, % identity = # of identical positions/total # of positions (*e.g.*, overlapping positions)  $\times 100$ ). In one embodiment the two sequences are the same length.

The determination of percent identity between two sequences can be accomplished using a mathematical algorithm. A preferred, non-limiting example of a mathematical algorithm utilized for the comparison of two sequences is the algorithm of Karlin and Altschul (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:2264-2268, modified as in Karlin and Altschul (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 90:5873-5877. Such an algorithm is incorporated into the NBLAST and XBLAST programs of Altschul, *et al.* (1990) *J. Mol. Biol.* 215:403-410. BLAST nucleotide searches can be performed with the NBLAST program, score = 100, wordlength = 12 to obtain nucleotide sequences homologous to a nucleic acid molecules of the invention. BLAST protein searches can be performed with the XBLAST program, score = 50, wordlength = 3 to obtain amino acid sequences homologous to a protein molecules of the invention. To obtain gapped alignments for comparison purposes, Gapped BLAST can be utilized as described in Altschul *et al.* (1997) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 25:3389-3402. Alternatively, PSI-Blast can be used to perform an

iterated search which detects distant relationships between molecules. When utilizing BLAST, Gapped BLAST, and PSI-Blast programs, the default parameters of the respective programs (*e.g.*, XBLAST and NBLAST) can be used. See <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>. Another preferred, non-limiting example of a mathematical algorithm utilized for the comparison of sequences is the algorithm of Myers and Miller, (1988) *Comput Appl Biosci*, 4:11-7. Such an algorithm is incorporated into the ALIGN program (version 2.0) which is part of the GCG sequence alignment software package. When utilizing the ALIGN program for comparing amino acid sequences, a PAM120 weight residue table, a gap length penalty of 12, and a gap penalty of 4 can be used. Yet another useful algorithm for identifying regions of local sequence similarity and alignment is the FASTA algorithm as described in Pearson and Lipman (1988) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 85:2444-2448. When using the FASTA algorithm for comparing nucleotide or amino acid sequences, a PAM120 weight residue table can, for example, be used with a *k*-tuple value of 2.

The percent identity between two sequences can be determined using techniques similar to those described above, with or without allowing gaps. In calculating percent identity, only exact matches are counted.

The invention also provides chimeric or fusion proteins corresponding to a marker of the invention. As used herein, a "chimeric protein" or "fusion protein" comprises all or part (preferably a biologically active part) of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention operably linked to a heterologous polypeptide (*i.e.*, a polypeptide other than the polypeptide corresponding to the marker). Within the fusion protein, the term "operably linked" is intended to indicate that the polypeptide of the invention and the heterologous polypeptide are fused in-frame to each other. The heterologous polypeptide can be fused to the amino-terminus or the carboxyl-terminus of the polypeptide of the invention.

One useful fusion protein is a GST fusion protein in which a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention is fused to the carboxyl terminus of GST sequences. Such fusion proteins can facilitate the purification of a recombinant polypeptide of the invention.

In another embodiment, the fusion protein contains a heterologous signal sequence at its amino terminus. For example, the native signal sequence of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention can be removed and replaced with a signal sequence from another protein. For example, the gp67 secretory sequence of the baculovirus envelope protein can be used as a heterologous signal sequence (Ausubel *et al.*, ed., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley & Sons, NY, 1992). Other examples of eukaryotic heterologous signal sequences include the secretory sequences of melittin and human placental alkaline phosphatase (Stratagene; La Jolla, California). In yet another example, useful prokaryotic heterologous signal sequences include the *phoA*

secretory signal (Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*) and the protein A secretory signal (Pharmacia Biotech; Piscataway, New Jersey).

In yet another embodiment, the fusion protein is an immunoglobulin fusion protein in which all or part of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention is fused to sequences derived from a member of the immunoglobulin protein family. The immunoglobulin fusion proteins of the invention can be incorporated into pharmaceutical compositions and administered to a subject to inhibit an interaction between a ligand (soluble or membrane-bound) and a protein on the surface of a cell (receptor), to thereby suppress signal transduction *in vivo*. The immunoglobulin fusion protein can be used to affect the bioavailability of a cognate ligand of a polypeptide of the invention. Inhibition of ligand/receptor interaction can be useful therapeutically, both for treating proliferative and differentiative disorders and for modulating (*e.g.* promoting or inhibiting) cell survival. Moreover, the immunoglobulin fusion proteins of the invention can be used as immunogens to produce antibodies directed against a polypeptide of the invention in a subject, to purify ligands and in screening assays to identify molecules which inhibit the interaction of receptors with ligands.

Chimeric and fusion proteins of the invention can be produced by standard recombinant DNA techniques. In another embodiment, the fusion gene can be synthesized by conventional techniques including automated DNA synthesizers. Alternatively, PCR amplification of gene fragments can be carried out using anchor primers which give rise to complementary overhangs between two consecutive gene fragments which can subsequently be annealed and re-amplified to generate a chimeric gene sequence (see, *e.g.*, Ausubel *et al.*, *supra*). Moreover, many expression vectors are commercially available that already encode a fusion moiety (*e.g.*, a GST polypeptide). A nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide of the invention can be cloned into such an expression vector such that the fusion moiety is linked in-frame to the polypeptide of the invention.

A signal sequence can be used to facilitate secretion and isolation of the secreted protein or other proteins of interest. Signal sequences are typically characterized by a core of hydrophobic amino acids which are generally cleaved from the mature protein during secretion in one or more cleavage events. Such signal peptides contain processing sites that allow cleavage of the signal sequence from the mature proteins as they pass through the secretory pathway. Thus, the invention pertains to the described polypeptides having a signal sequence, as well as to polypeptides from which the signal sequence has been proteolytically cleaved (*i.e.*, the cleavage products). In one embodiment, a nucleic acid sequence encoding a signal sequence can be operably linked in an expression vector to a protein of interest, such as a protein which is ordinarily not secreted or is otherwise difficult to isolate. The signal sequence directs secretion of the protein, such as from a eukaryotic host into which the expression vector is transformed, and the signal sequence is

subsequently or concurrently cleaved. The protein can then be readily purified from the extracellular medium by art recognized methods. Alternatively, the signal sequence can be linked to the protein of interest using a sequence which facilitates purification, such as with a GST domain.

5           The present invention also pertains to variants of the polypeptides corresponding to individual markers of the invention. Such variants have an altered amino acid sequence which can function as either agonists (mimetics) or as antagonists. Variants can be generated by mutagenesis, *e.g.*, discrete point mutation or truncation. An agonist can retain substantially the same, or a subset, of the biological activities of the naturally occurring  
10 form of the protein. An antagonist of a protein can inhibit one or more of the activities of the naturally occurring form of the protein by, for example, competitively binding to a downstream or upstream member of a cellular signaling cascade which includes the protein of interest. Thus, specific biological effects can be elicited by treatment with a variant of limited function. Treatment of a subject with a variant having a subset of the biological  
15 activities of the naturally occurring form of the protein can have fewer side effects in a subject relative to treatment with the naturally occurring form of the protein.

Variants of a protein of the invention which function as either agonists (mimetics) or as antagonists can be identified by screening combinatorial libraries of mutants, *e.g.*, truncation mutants, of the protein of the invention for agonist or antagonist activity. In one  
20 embodiment, a variegated library of variants is generated by combinatorial mutagenesis at the nucleic acid level and is encoded by a variegated gene library. A variegated library of variants can be produced by, for example, enzymatically ligating a mixture of synthetic oligonucleotides into gene sequences such that a degenerate set of potential protein sequences is expressible as individual polypeptides, or alternatively, as a set of larger fusion  
25 proteins (*e.g.*, for phage display). There are a variety of methods which can be used to produce libraries of potential variants of the polypeptides of the invention from a degenerate oligonucleotide sequence. Methods for synthesizing degenerate oligonucleotides are known in the art (see, *e.g.*, Narang, 1983, *Tetrahedron* 39:3; Itakura *et al.*, 1984, *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 53:323; Itakura *et al.*, 1984, *Science* 198:1056; Ike *et al.*,  
30 1983 *Nucleic Acid Res.* 11:477).

In addition, libraries of fragments of the coding sequence of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention can be used to generate a variegated population of polypeptides for screening and subsequent selection of variants. For example, a library of coding sequence fragments can be generated by treating a double stranded PCR fragment  
35 of the coding sequence of interest with a nuclease under conditions wherein nicking occurs only about once per molecule, denaturing the double stranded DNA, renaturing the DNA to form double stranded DNA which can include sense/antisense pairs from different nicked products, removing single stranded portions from reformed duplexes by treatment with S1

nuclease, and ligating the resulting fragment library into an expression vector. By this method, an expression library can be derived which encodes amino terminal and internal fragments of various sizes of the protein of interest.

Several techniques are known in the art for screening gene products of  
5 combinatorial libraries made by point mutations or truncation, and for screening cDNA  
libraries for gene products having a selected property. The most widely used techniques,  
which are amenable to high throughput analysis, for screening large gene libraries typically  
include cloning the gene library into replicable expression vectors, transforming appropriate  
10 cells with the resulting library of vectors, and expressing the combinatorial genes under  
conditions in which detection of a desired activity facilitates isolation of the vector  
encoding the gene whose product was detected. Recursive ensemble mutagenesis (REM), a  
technique which enhances the frequency of functional mutants in the libraries, can be used  
in combination with the screening assays to identify variants of a protein of the invention  
(Arkin and Yourvan, 1992, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:7811-7815; Delgrave *et al.*,  
15 1993, *Protein Engineering* 6(3):327- 331).

An isolated polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention, or a fragment  
thereof, can be used as an immunogen to generate antibodies using standard techniques for  
polyclonal and monoclonal antibody preparation. The full-length polypeptide or protein  
can be used or, alternatively, the invention provides antigenic peptide fragments for use as  
20 immunogens. The antigenic peptide of a protein of the invention comprises at least 8  
(preferably 10, 15, 20, or 30 or more) amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence of  
one of the polypeptides of the invention, and encompasses an epitope of the protein such  
that an antibody raised against the peptide forms a specific immune complex with a marker  
of the invention to which the protein corresponds. Preferred epitopes encompassed by the  
25 antigenic peptide are regions that are located on the surface of the protein, *e.g.*, hydrophilic  
regions. Hydrophobicity sequence analysis, hydrophilicity sequence analysis, or similar  
analyses can be used to identify hydrophilic regions.

An immunogen typically is used to prepare antibodies by immunizing a suitable (*i.e.*  
immunocompetent) subject such as a rabbit, goat, mouse, or other mammal or vertebrate.  
30 An appropriate immunogenic preparation can contain, for example, recombinantly-  
expressed or chemically-synthesized polypeptide. The preparation can further include an  
adjuvant, such as Freund's complete or incomplete adjuvant, or a similar  
immunostimulatory agent.

Accordingly, another aspect of the invention pertains to antibodies directed against a  
35 polypeptide of the invention. The terms "antibody" and "antibody substance" as used  
interchangeably herein refer to immunoglobulin molecules and immunologically active  
portions of immunoglobulin molecules, *i.e.*, molecules that contain an antigen binding site  
which specifically binds an antigen, such as a polypeptide of the invention. A molecule

which specifically binds to a given polypeptide of the invention is a molecule which binds the polypeptide, but does not substantially bind other molecules in a sample, *e.g.*, a biological sample, which naturally contains the polypeptide. Examples of immunologically active portions of immunoglobulin molecules include F(ab) and F(ab')<sub>2</sub> fragments which can be generated by treating the antibody with an enzyme such as pepsin. The invention provides polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies. The term "monoclonal antibody" or "monoclonal antibody composition", as used herein, refers to a population of antibody molecules that contain only one species of an antigen binding site capable of immunoreacting with a particular epitope.

10 Polyclonal antibodies can be prepared as described above by immunizing a suitable subject with a polypeptide of the invention as an immunogen. The antibody titer in the immunized subject can be monitored over time by standard techniques, such as with an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) using immobilized polypeptide. If desired, the antibody molecules can be harvested or isolated from the subject (*e.g.*, from the blood or serum of the subject) and further purified by well-known techniques, such as protein A chromatography to obtain the IgG fraction. At an appropriate time after immunization, *e.g.*, when the specific antibody titers are highest, antibody-producing cells can be obtained from the subject and used to prepare monoclonal antibodies by standard techniques, such as the hybridoma technique originally described by Kohler and Milstein (1975) *Nature* 256:495-497, the human B cell hybridoma technique (see Kozbor *et al.*, 1983, *Immunol. Today* 4:72), the EBV-hybridoma technique (see Cole *et al.*, pp. 77-96 In *Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy*, Alan R. Liss, Inc., 1985) or trioma techniques. The technology for producing hybridomas is well known (see generally *Current Protocols in Immunology*, Coligan *et al.* ed., John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1994). Hybridoma cells producing a monoclonal antibody of the invention are detected by screening the hybridoma culture supernatants for antibodies that bind the polypeptide of interest, *e.g.*, using a standard ELISA assay.

Alternative to preparing monoclonal antibody-secreting hybridomas, a monoclonal antibody directed against a polypeptide of the invention can be identified and isolated by screening a recombinant combinatorial immunoglobulin library (*e.g.*, an antibody phage display library) with the polypeptide of interest. Kits for generating and screening phage display libraries are commercially available (*e.g.*, the Pharmacia *Recombinant Phage Antibody System*, Catalog No. 27-9400-01; and the Stratagene *SurfZAP Phage Display Kit*, Catalog No. 240612). Additionally, examples of methods and reagents particularly amenable for use in generating and screening antibody display library can be found in, for example, U.S. Patent No. 5,223,409; PCT Publication No. WO 92/18619; PCT Publication No. WO 91/17271; PCT Publication No. WO 92/20791; PCT Publication No. WO 92/15679; PCT Publication No. WO 93/01288; PCT Publication No. WO 92/01047; PCT

Publication No. WO 92/09690; PCT Publication No. WO 90/02809; Fuchs *et al.* (1991) *Bio/Technology* 9:1370-1372; Hay *et al.* (1992) *Hum. Antibod. Hybridomas* 3:81-85; Huse *et al.* (1989) *Science* 246:1275- 1281; Griffiths *et al.* (1993) *EMBO J.* 12:725-734.

5 Additionally, recombinant antibodies, such as chimeric and humanized monoclonal antibodies, comprising both human and non-human portions, which can be made using standard recombinant DNA techniques, are within the scope of the invention. Such chimeric and humanized monoclonal antibodies can be produced by recombinant DNA techniques known in the art, for example using methods described in PCT Publication No. WO 87/02671; European Patent Application 184,187; European Patent Application 10 171,496; European Patent Application 173,494; PCT Publication No. WO 86/01533; U.S. Patent No. 4,816,567; European Patent Application 125,023; Better *et al.* (1988) *Science* 240:1041-1043; Liu *et al.* (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:3439-3443; Liu *et al.* (1987) *J. Immunol.* 139:3521- 3526; Sun *et al.* (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:214-218; Nishimura *et al.* (1987) *Cancer Res.* 47:999-1005; Wood *et al.* (1985) *Nature* 15 314:446-449; and Shaw *et al.* (1988) *J. Natl. Cancer Inst.* 80:1553-1559; Morrison (1985) *Science* 229:1202-1207; Oi *et al.* (1986) *Bio/Techniques* 4:214; U.S. Patent 5,225,539; Jones *et al.* (1986) *Nature* 321:552-525; Verhoeyan *et al.* (1988) *Science* 239:1534; and Beidler *et al.* (1988) *J. Immunol.* 141:4053-4060.

20 Completely human antibodies are particularly desirable for therapeutic treatment of human subjects. Such antibodies can be produced using transgenic mice which are incapable of expressing endogenous immunoglobulin heavy and light chains genes, but which can express human heavy and light chain genes. The transgenic mice are immunized in the normal fashion with a selected antigen, *e.g.*, all or a portion of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention. Monoclonal antibodies directed against the antigen can be obtained using conventional hybridoma technology. The human 25 immunoglobulin transgenes harbored by the transgenic mice rearrange during B cell differentiation, and subsequently undergo class switching and somatic mutation. Thus, using such a technique, it is possible to produce therapeutically useful IgG, IgA and IgE antibodies. For an overview of this technology for producing human antibodies, see 30 Lonberg and Huszar (1995) *Int. Rev. Immunol.* 13:65-93). For a detailed discussion of this technology for producing human antibodies and human monoclonal antibodies and protocols for producing such antibodies, see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent 5,625,126; U.S. Patent 5,633,425; U.S. Patent 5,569,825; U.S. Patent 5,661,016; and U.S. Patent 5,545,806. In addition, companies such as Abgenix, Inc. (Freemont, CA), can be engaged to provide 35 human antibodies directed against a selected antigen using technology similar to that described above.

Completely human antibodies which recognize a selected epitope can be generated using a technique referred to as "guided selection." In this approach a selected non-human

monoclonal antibody, *e.g.*, a murine antibody, is used to guide the selection of a completely human antibody recognizing the same epitope (Jespers *et al.*, 1994, *Bio/technology* 12:899-903).

5 An antibody, antibody derivative, or fragment thereof, which specifically binds a marker of the invention which is overexpressed in cancer (*e.g.*, a marker set forth in Table 5), may be used to inhibit activity of a marker, *e.g.*, a marker set forth in Table 5, and therefore may be administered to a subject to treat, inhibit, or prevent cancer in the subject. Furthermore, conjugated antibodies may also be used to treat, inhibit, or prevent cancer in a subject. Conjugated antibodies, preferably monoclonal antibodies, or fragments thereof, are  
10 antibodies which are joined to drugs, toxins, or radioactive atoms, and used as delivery vehicles to deliver those substances directly to cancer cells. The antibody, *e.g.*, an antibody which specifically binds a marker of the invention (*e.g.*, a marker listed in Table 5), is administered to a subject and binds the marker, thereby delivering the toxic substance to the cancer cell, minimizing damage to normal cells in other parts of the body.

15 Conjugated antibodies are also referred to as "tagged," "labeled," or "loaded." Antibodies with chemotherapeutic agents attached are generally referred to as chemolabeled. Antibodies with radioactive particles attached are referred to as radiolabeled, and this type of therapy is known as radioimmunotherapy (RIT). Aside from being used to treat cancer, radiolabeled antibodies can also be used to detect areas of cancer  
20 spread in the body. Antibodies attached to toxins are called immunotoxins.

Immunotoxins are made by attaching toxins (*e.g.*, poisonous substances from plants or bacteria) to monoclonal antibodies. Immunotoxins may be produced by attaching monoclonal antibodies to bacterial toxins such as diphtherial toxin (DT) or pseudomonal exotoxin (PE40), or to plant toxins such as ricin A or saporin.

25 An antibody directed against a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention (*e.g.*, a monoclonal antibody) can be used to isolate the polypeptide by standard techniques, such as affinity chromatography or immunoprecipitation. Moreover, such an antibody can be used to detect the marker (*e.g.*, in a cellular lysate or cell supernatant) in order to evaluate the level and pattern of expression of the marker. The antibodies can also  
30 be used diagnostically to monitor protein levels in tissues or body fluids (*e.g.* in an ovary-associated body fluid) as part of a clinical testing procedure, *e.g.*, to, for example, determine the efficacy of a given treatment regimen. Detection can be facilitated by coupling the antibody to a detectable substance. Examples of detectable substances include various enzymes, prosthetic groups, fluorescent materials, luminescent materials, bioluminescent  
35 materials, and radioactive materials. Examples of suitable enzymes include horseradish peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase,  $\beta$ -galactosidase, or acetylcholinesterase; examples of suitable prosthetic group complexes include streptavidin/biotin and avidin/biotin; examples of suitable fluorescent materials include umbelliferone, fluorescein, fluorescein

isothiocyanate, rhodamine, dichlorotriazinylamine fluorescein, dansyl chloride or phycoerythrin; an example of a luminescent material includes luminol; examples of bioluminescent materials include luciferase, luciferin, and aequorin, and examples of suitable radioactive material include  $^{125}\text{I}$ ,  $^{131}\text{I}$ ,  $^{35}\text{S}$  or  $^3\text{H}$ .

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## V. Recombinant Expression Vectors and Host Cells

Another aspect of the invention pertains to vectors, preferably expression vectors, containing a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention (or a portion of such a polypeptide). As used herein, the term "vector" refers to a nucleic acid molecule capable of transporting another nucleic acid to which it has been linked. One type of vector is a "plasmid", which refers to a circular double stranded DNA loop into which additional DNA segments can be ligated. Another type of vector is a viral vector, wherein additional DNA segments can be ligated into the viral genome. Certain vectors are capable of autonomous replication in a host cell into which they are introduced (e.g., bacterial vectors having a bacterial origin of replication and episomal mammalian vectors). Other vectors (e.g., non-episomal mammalian vectors) are integrated into the genome of a host cell upon introduction into the host cell, and thereby are replicated along with the host genome. Moreover, certain vectors, namely expression vectors, are capable of directing the expression of genes to which they are operably linked. In general, expression vectors of utility in recombinant DNA techniques are often in the form of plasmids (vectors). However, the invention is intended to include such other forms of expression vectors, such as viral vectors (e.g., replication defective retroviruses, adenoviruses and adeno-associated viruses), which serve equivalent functions.

The recombinant expression vectors of the invention comprise a nucleic acid of the invention in a form suitable for expression of the nucleic acid in a host cell. This means that the recombinant expression vectors include one or more regulatory sequences, selected on the basis of the host cells to be used for expression, which is operably linked to the nucleic acid sequence to be expressed. Within a recombinant expression vector, "operably linked" is intended to mean that the nucleotide sequence of interest is linked to the regulatory sequence(s) in a manner which allows for expression of the nucleotide sequence (e.g., in an *in vitro* transcription/translation system or in a host cell when the vector is introduced into the host cell). The term "regulatory sequence" is intended to include promoters, enhancers and other expression control elements (e.g., polyadenylation signals). Such regulatory sequences are described, for example, in Goeddel, *Methods in Enzymology: Gene Expression Technology* vol.185, Academic Press, San Diego, CA (1991). Regulatory sequences include those which direct constitutive expression of a nucleotide sequence in many types of host cell and those which direct expression of the nucleotide sequence only in certain host cells (e.g., tissue-specific regulatory sequences). It will be appreciated by

those skilled in the art that the design of the expression vector can depend on such factors as the choice of the host cell to be transformed, the level of expression of protein desired, and the like. The expression vectors of the invention can be introduced into host cells to thereby produce proteins or peptides, including fusion proteins or peptides, encoded by  
5 nucleic acids as described herein.

The recombinant expression vectors of the invention can be designed for expression of a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention in prokaryotic (*e.g.*, *E. coli*) or eukaryotic cells (*e.g.*, insect cells {using baculovirus expression vectors}, yeast cells or mammalian cells). Suitable host cells are discussed further in Goeddel, *supra*.

10 Alternatively, the recombinant expression vector can be transcribed and translated *in vitro*, for example using T7 promoter regulatory sequences and T7 polymerase.

Expression of proteins in prokaryotes is most often carried out in *E. coli* with vectors containing constitutive or inducible promoters directing the expression of either fusion or non-fusion proteins. Fusion vectors add a number of amino acids to a protein  
15 encoded therein, usually to the amino terminus of the recombinant protein. Such fusion vectors typically serve three purposes: 1) to increase expression of recombinant protein; 2) to increase the solubility of the recombinant protein; and 3) to aid in the purification of the recombinant protein by acting as a ligand in affinity purification. Often, in fusion  
20 expression vectors, a proteolytic cleavage site is introduced at the junction of the fusion moiety and the recombinant protein to enable separation of the recombinant protein from the fusion moiety subsequent to purification of the fusion protein. Such enzymes, and their cognate recognition sequences, include Factor Xa, thrombin and enterokinase. Typical fusion expression vectors include pGEX (Pharmacia Biotech Inc; Smith and Johnson, 1988, *Gene* 67:31-40), pMAL (New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA) and pRIT5 (Pharmacia,  
25 Piscataway, NJ) which fuse glutathione S-transferase (GST), maltose E binding protein, or protein A, respectively, to the target recombinant protein.

Examples of suitable inducible non-fusion *E. coli* expression vectors include pTrc (Amann *et al.*, 1988, *Gene* 69:301-315) and pET 11d (Studier *et al.*, p. 60-89, In *Gene Expression Technology: Methods in Enzymology* vol.185, Academic Press, San Diego, CA,  
30 1991). Target gene expression from the pTrc vector relies on host RNA polymerase transcription from a hybrid trp-lac fusion promoter. Target gene expression from the pET 11d vector relies on transcription from a T7 gn10-lac fusion promoter mediated by a co-expressed viral RNA polymerase (T7 gn1). This viral polymerase is supplied by host strains BL21(DE3) or HMS174(DE3) from a resident prophage harboring a T7 gn1 gene  
35 under the transcriptional control of the lacUV 5 promoter.

One strategy to maximize recombinant protein expression in *E. coli* is to express the protein in a host bacteria with an impaired capacity to proteolytically cleave the recombinant protein (Gottesman, p. 119-128, In *Gene Expression Technology: Methods in*

*Enzymology* vol. 185, Academic Press, San Diego, CA, 1990. Another strategy is to alter the nucleic acid sequence of the nucleic acid to be inserted into an expression vector so that the individual codons for each amino acid are those preferentially utilized in *E. coli* (Wada *et al.*, 1992, *Nucleic Acids Res.* 20:2111-2118). Such alteration of nucleic acid sequences  
5 of the invention can be carried out by standard DNA synthesis techniques.

In another embodiment, the expression vector is a yeast expression vector. Examples of vectors for expression in yeast *S. cerevisiae* include pYepSec1 (Baldari *et al.*, 1987, *EMBO J.* 6:229-234), pMFa (Kurjan and Herskowitz, 1982, *Cell* 30:933-943), pJRY88 (Schultz *et al.*, 1987, *Gene* 54:113-123), pYES2 (Invitrogen Corporation, San  
10 Diego, CA), and pPicZ (Invitrogen Corp, San Diego, CA).

Alternatively, the expression vector is a baculovirus expression vector. Baculovirus vectors available for expression of proteins in cultured insect cells (*e.g.*, Sf 9 cells) include the pAc series (Smith *et al.*, 1983, *Mol. Cell Biol.* 3:2156-2165) and the pVL series (Lucklow and Summers, 1989, *Virology* 170:31-39).  
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In yet another embodiment, a nucleic acid of the invention is expressed in mammalian cells using a mammalian expression vector. Examples of mammalian expression vectors include pCDM8 (Seed, 1987, *Nature* 329:840) and pMT2PC (Kaufman *et al.*, 1987, *EMBO J.* 6:187-195). When used in mammalian cells, the expression vector's control functions are often provided by viral regulatory elements. For example, commonly  
20 used promoters are derived from polyoma, Adenovirus 2, cytomegalovirus and Simian Virus 40. For other suitable expression systems for both prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells see chapters 16 and 17 of Sambrook *et al.*, *supra*.

In another embodiment, the recombinant mammalian expression vector is capable of directing expression of the nucleic acid preferentially in a particular cell type (*e.g.*, tissue-specific regulatory elements are used to express the nucleic acid). Tissue-specific regulatory elements are known in the art. Non-limiting examples of suitable tissue-specific promoters include the albumin promoter (liver-specific; Pinkert *et al.*, 1987, *Genes Dev.* 1:268-277), lymphoid-specific promoters (Calame and Eaton, 1988, *Adv. Immunol.* 43:235-275), in particular promoters of T cell receptors (Winoto and Baltimore, 1989, *EMBO J.*  
30 8:729-733) and immunoglobulins (Banerji *et al.*, 1983, *Cell* 33:729-740; Queen and Baltimore, 1983, *Cell* 33:741-748), neuron-specific promoters (*e.g.*, the neurofilament promoter; Byrne and Ruddle, 1989, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:5473-5477), pancreas-specific promoters (Edlund *et al.*, 1985, *Science* 230:912-916), and mammary gland-specific promoters (*e.g.*, milk whey promoter; U.S. Patent No. 4,873,316 and European  
35 Application Publication No. 264,166). Developmentally-regulated promoters are also encompassed, for example the murine hox promoters (Kessel and Gruss, 1990, *Science* 249:374-379) and the  $\alpha$ -fetoprotein promoter (Camper and Tilghman, 1989, *Genes Dev.* 3:537-546).

The invention further provides a recombinant expression vector comprising a DNA molecule of the invention cloned into the expression vector in an antisense orientation. That is, the DNA molecule is operably linked to a regulatory sequence in a manner which allows for expression (by transcription of the DNA molecule) of an RNA molecule which is antisense to the mRNA encoding a polypeptide of the invention. Regulatory sequences operably linked to a nucleic acid cloned in the antisense orientation can be chosen which direct the continuous expression of the antisense RNA molecule in a variety of cell types, for instance viral promoters and/or enhancers, or regulatory sequences can be chosen which direct constitutive, tissue-specific or cell type specific expression of antisense RNA. The antisense expression vector can be in the form of a recombinant plasmid, phagemid, or attenuated virus in which antisense nucleic acids are produced under the control of a high efficiency regulatory region, the activity of which can be determined by the cell type into which the vector is introduced. For a discussion of the regulation of gene expression using antisense genes see Weintraub *et al.*, 1986, *Trends in Genetics*, Vol. 1(1).

Another aspect of the invention pertains to host cells into which a recombinant expression vector of the invention has been introduced. The terms "host cell" and "recombinant host cell" are used interchangeably herein. It is understood that such terms refer not only to the particular subject cell but to the progeny or potential progeny of such a cell. Because certain modifications may occur in succeeding generations due to either mutation or environmental influences, such progeny may not, in fact, be identical to the parent cell, but are still included within the scope of the term as used herein.

A host cell can be any prokaryotic (*e.g.*, *E. coli*) or eukaryotic cell (*e.g.*, insect cells, yeast or mammalian cells).

Vector DNA can be introduced into prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells via conventional transformation or transfection techniques. As used herein, the terms "transformation" and "transfection" are intended to refer to a variety of art-recognized techniques for introducing foreign nucleic acid into a host cell, including calcium phosphate or calcium chloride co-precipitation, DEAE-dextran-mediated transfection, lipofection, or electroporation. Suitable methods for transforming or transfecting host cells can be found in Sambrook, *et al.* (*supra*), and other laboratory manuals.

For stable transfection of mammalian cells, it is known that, depending upon the expression vector and transfection technique used, only a small fraction of cells may integrate the foreign DNA into their genome. In order to identify and select these integrants, a gene that encodes a selectable marker (*e.g.*, for resistance to antibiotics) is generally introduced into the host cells along with the gene of interest. Preferred selectable markers include those which confer resistance to drugs, such as G418, hygromycin and methotrexate. Cells stably transfected with the introduced nucleic acid can be identified by

drug selection (*e.g.*, cells that have incorporated the selectable marker gene will survive, while the other cells die).

A host cell of the invention, such as a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host cell in culture, can be used to produce a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention.

5 Accordingly, the invention further provides methods for producing a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention using the host cells of the invention. In one embodiment, the method comprises culturing the host cell of invention (into which a recombinant expression vector encoding a polypeptide of the invention has been introduced) in a suitable medium such that the marker is produced. In another embodiment,  
10 the method further comprises isolating the marker polypeptide from the medium or the host cell.

The host cells of the invention can also be used to produce nonhuman transgenic animals. For example, in one embodiment, a host cell of the invention is a fertilized oocyte or an embryonic stem cell into which sequences encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a  
15 marker of the invention have been introduced. Such host cells can then be used to create non-human transgenic animals in which exogenous sequences encoding a marker protein of the invention have been introduced into their genome or homologous recombinant animals in which endogenous gene(s) encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention sequences have been altered. Such animals are useful for studying the function  
20 and/or activity of the polypeptide corresponding to the marker, for identifying and/or evaluating modulators of polypeptide activity, as well as in pre-clinical testing of therapeutics or diagnostic molecules, for marker discovery or evaluation, *e.g.*, therapeutic and diagnostic marker discovery or evaluation, or as surrogates of drug efficacy and specificity.

25 As used herein, a "transgenic animal" is a non-human animal, preferably a mammal, more preferably a rodent such as a rat or mouse, in which one or more of the cells of the animal includes a transgene. Other examples of transgenic animals include non-human primates, sheep, dogs, cows, goats, chickens, amphibians, etc. A transgene is exogenous DNA which is integrated into the genome of a cell from which a transgenic animal  
30 develops and which remains in the genome of the mature animal, thereby directing the expression of an encoded gene product in one or more cell types or tissues of the transgenic animal. As used herein, an "homologous recombinant animal" is a non-human animal, preferably a mammal, more preferably a mouse, in which an endogenous gene has been altered by homologous recombination between the endogenous gene and an exogenous  
35 DNA molecule introduced into a cell of the animal, *e.g.*, an embryonic cell of the animal, prior to development of the animal. Transgenic animals also include inducible transgenic animals, such as those described in, for example, Chan I.T., *et al.* (2004) *J Clin Invest.* 113(4):528-38 and Chin L. *et al* (1999) *Nature* 400(6743):468-72.

A transgenic animal of the invention can be created by introducing a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention into the male pronuclei of a fertilized oocyte, *e.g.*, by microinjection, retroviral infection, and allowing the oocyte to develop in a pseudopregnant female foster animal. Intronic sequences and  
5 polyadenylation signals can also be included in the transgene to increase the efficiency of expression of the transgene. A tissue-specific regulatory sequence(s) can be operably linked to the transgene to direct expression of the polypeptide of the invention to particular cells. Methods for generating transgenic animals via embryo manipulation and  
10 microinjection, particularly animals such as mice, have become conventional in the art and are described, for example, in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,736,866 and 4,870,009, U.S. Patent No. 4,873,191 and in Hogan, *Manipulating the Mouse Embryo*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 1986. Similar methods are used for production of other transgenic animals. A transgenic founder animal can be identified based upon the presence of the transgene in its genome and/or expression of mRNA encoding the transgene in  
15 tissues or cells of the animals. A transgenic founder animal can then be used to breed additional animals carrying the transgene. Moreover, transgenic animals carrying the transgene can further be bred to other transgenic animals carrying other transgenes.

To create an homologous recombinant animal, a vector is prepared which contains at least a portion of a gene encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the  
20 invention into which a deletion, addition or substitution has been introduced to thereby alter, *e.g.*, functionally disrupt, the gene. In a preferred embodiment, the vector is designed such that, upon homologous recombination, the endogenous gene is functionally disrupted (*i.e.*, no longer encodes a functional protein; also referred to as a "knock out" vector). Alternatively, the vector can be designed such that, upon homologous recombination, the  
25 endogenous gene is mutated or otherwise altered but still encodes functional protein (*e.g.*, the upstream regulatory region can be altered to thereby alter the expression of the endogenous protein). In the homologous recombination vector, the altered portion of the gene is flanked at its 5' and 3' ends by additional nucleic acid of the gene to allow for homologous recombination to occur between the exogenous gene carried by the vector and  
30 an endogenous gene in an embryonic stem cell. The additional flanking nucleic acid sequences are of sufficient length for successful homologous recombination with the endogenous gene. Typically, several kilobases of flanking DNA (both at the 5' and 3' ends) are included in the vector (see, *e.g.*, Thomas and Capecchi, 1987, *Cell* 51:503 for a description of homologous recombination vectors). The vector is introduced into an  
35 embryonic stem cell line (*e.g.*, by electroporation) and cells in which the introduced gene has homologously recombined with the endogenous gene are selected (see, *e.g.*, Li *et al.*, 1992, *Cell* 69:915). The selected cells are then injected into a blastocyst of an animal (*e.g.*, a mouse) to form aggregation chimeras (see, *e.g.*, Bradley, *Teratocarcinomas and*

*Embryonic Stem Cells: A Practical Approach*, Robertson, Ed., IRL, Oxford, 1987, pp. 113-152). A chimeric embryo can then be implanted into a suitable pseudopregnant female foster animal and the embryo brought to term. Progeny harboring the homologously recombined DNA in their germ cells can be used to breed animals in which all cells of the animal contain the homologously recombined DNA by germline transmission of the transgene. Methods for constructing homologous recombination vectors and homologous recombinant animals are described further in Bradley (1991) *Current Opinion in Bio/Technology* 2:823-829 and in PCT Publication NOS. WO 90/11354, WO 91/01140, WO 92/0968, and WO 93/04169.

10 In another embodiment, transgenic non-human animals can be produced which contain selected systems which allow for regulated expression of the transgene. One example of such a system is the *cre/loxP* recombinase system of bacteriophage P1. For a description of the *cre/loxP* recombinase system, see, *e.g.*, Lakso *et al.* (1992) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89:6232-6236. Another example of a recombinase system is the FLP recombinase system of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (O'Gorman *et al.*, 1991, *Science* 251:1351-1355). If a *cre/loxP* recombinase system is used to regulate expression of the transgene, animals containing transgenes encoding both the *Cre* recombinase and a selected protein are required. Such animals can be provided through the construction of "double" transgenic animals, *e.g.*, by mating two transgenic animals, one containing a transgene encoding a selected protein and the other containing a transgene encoding a recombinase.

20 Clones of the non-human transgenic animals described herein can also be produced according to the methods described in Wilmut *et al.* (1997) *Nature* 385:810-813 and PCT Publication NOS. WO 97/07668 and WO 97/07669.

## VI. Methods of Treatment

The present invention provides for both prophylactic and therapeutic methods of treating a subject, *e.g.*, a human, who has or is at risk of (or susceptible to) cancer, *e.g.*,  
5 pancreatic cancer. As used herein, "treatment" of a subject includes the application or administration of a therapeutic agent to a subject, or application or administration of a therapeutic agent to a cell or tissue from a subject, who has a disease or disorder, has a symptom of a disease or disorder, or is at risk of (or susceptible to) a disease or disorder, with the purpose of curing, inhibiting, healing, alleviating, relieving, altering, remedying,  
10 ameliorating, improving, or affecting the disease or disorder, the symptom of the disease or disorder, or the risk of (or susceptibility to) the disease or disorder. As used herein, a "therapeutic agent" or "compound" includes, but is not limited to, small molecules, peptides, peptidomimetics, polypeptides, RNA interfering agents, *e.g.*, siRNA molecules, antibodies, ribozymes, and antisense oligonucleotides.

15 As described herein, cancer in subjects is associated with a change, *e.g.*, an increase in the amount and /or activity, or a change in the structure, of one or more markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer), and/or a decrease in the amount and /or activity, or a change in the structure of one or more markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer). While, as discussed above,  
20 some of these changes in amount, structure, and/or activity, result from occurrence of the cancer, others of these changes induce, maintain, and promote the cancerous state of cancer cells. Thus, cancer, characterized by an increase in the amount and /or activity, or a change in the structure, of one or more markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that is shown to be increased in cancer), can be inhibited by inhibiting amount, *e.g.*, expression or protein level, and/or activity of those markers.  
25 Likewise, cancer characterized by a decrease in the amount and /or activity, or a change in the structure, of one or more markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that is shown to be decreased in cancer), can be inhibited by enhancing amount, *e.g.*, expression or protein level, and/or activity of those markers

Accordingly, another aspect of the invention pertains to methods for treating a  
30 subject suffering from cancer. These methods involve administering to a subject a compound which modulates amount and/or activity of one or more markers of the invention. For example, methods of treatment or prevention of cancer include administering to a subject a compound which decreases the amount and/or activity of one or more markers listed in Table 5 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be increased in cancer).  
35 Compounds, *e.g.*, antagonists, which may be used to inhibit amount and/or activity of a marker listed in Table 5, to thereby treat or prevent cancer include antibodies (*e.g.*, conjugated antibodies), small molecules, RNA interfering agents, *e.g.*, siRNA molecules,

ribozymes, and antisense oligonucleotides. In one embodiment, an antibody used for treatment is conjugated to a toxin, a chemotherapeutic agent, or radioactive particles.

Methods of treatment or prevention of cancer also include administering to a subject a compound which increases the amount and/or activity of one or more markers listed in Table 4 (*e.g.*, a marker that was shown to be decreased in cancer). Compounds, *e.g.*, agonists, which may be used to increase expression or activity of a marker listed in Table 4, to thereby treat or prevent cancer include small molecules, peptides, peptoids, peptidomimetics, and polypeptides.

Small molecules used in the methods of the invention include those which inhibit a protein-protein interaction and thereby either increase or decrease marker amount and/or activity. Furthermore, modulators, *e.g.*, small molecules, which cause re-expression of silenced genes, *e.g.*, tumor suppressors, are also included herein. For example, such molecules include compounds which interfere with DNA binding or methyltransferase activity.

An aptamer may also be used to modulate, *e.g.*, increase or inhibit expression or activity of a marker of the invention to thereby treat, prevent or inhibit cancer. Aptamers are DNA or RNA molecules that have been selected from random pools based on their ability to bind other molecules. Aptamers may be selected which bind nucleic acids or proteins.

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## VII. Screening Assays

The invention also provides methods (also referred to herein as "screening assays") for identifying modulators, *i.e.*, candidate or test compounds or agents (*e.g.*, proteins, peptides, peptidomimetics, peptoids, small molecules or other drugs) which (a) bind to the marker, or (b) have a modulatory (*e.g.*, stimulatory or inhibitory) effect on the activity of the marker or, more specifically, (c) have a modulatory effect on the interactions of the marker with one or more of its natural substrates (*e.g.*, peptide, protein, hormone, co-factor, or nucleic acid), or (d) have a modulatory effect on the expression of the marker. Such assays typically comprise a reaction between the marker and one or more assay components. The other components may be either the test compound itself, or a combination of test compound and a natural binding partner of the marker. Compounds identified via assays such as those described herein may be useful, for example, for modulating, *e.g.*, inhibiting, ameliorating, treating, or preventing cancer.

The test compounds of the present invention may be obtained from any available source, including systematic libraries of natural and/or synthetic compounds. Test compounds may also be obtained by any of the numerous approaches in combinatorial library methods known in the art, including: biological libraries; peptoid libraries (libraries of molecules having the functionalities of peptides, but with a novel, non-peptide backbone

which are resistant to enzymatic degradation but which nevertheless remain bioactive; see, *e.g.*, Zuckermann *et al.*, 1994, *J. Med. Chem.* 37:2678-85); spatially addressable parallel solid phase or solution phase libraries; synthetic library methods requiring deconvolution; the 'one-bead one-compound' library method; and synthetic library methods using affinity chromatography selection. The biological library and peptoid library approaches are limited to peptide libraries, while the other four approaches are applicable to peptide, non-peptide oligomer or small molecule libraries of compounds (Lam, 1997, *Anticancer Drug Des.* 12:145).

Examples of methods for the synthesis of molecular libraries can be found in the art, for example in: DeWitt *et al.* (1993) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* 90:6909; Erb *et al.* (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:11422; Zuckermann *et al.* (1994). *J. Med. Chem.* 37:2678; Cho *et al.* (1993) *Science* 261:1303; Carrell *et al.* (1994) *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* 33:2059; Carell *et al.* (1994) *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* 33:2061; and in Gallop *et al.* (1994) *J. Med. Chem.* 37:1233.

Libraries of compounds may be presented in solution (*e.g.*, Houghten, 1992, *Biotechniques* 13:412-421), or on beads (Lam, 1991, *Nature* 354:82-84), chips (Fodor, 1993, *Nature* 364:555-556), bacteria and/or spores, (Ladner, USP 5,223,409), plasmids (Cull *et al.*, 1992, *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 89:1865-1869) or on phage (Scott and Smith, 1990, *Science* 249:386-390; Devlin, 1990, *Science* 249:404-406; Cwirla *et al.*, 1990, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 87:6378-6382; Felici, 1991, *J. Mol. Biol.* 222:301-310; Ladner, *supra.*).

In one embodiment, the invention provides assays for screening candidate or test compounds which are substrates of a marker or biologically active portion thereof. In another embodiment, the invention provides assays for screening candidate or test compounds which bind to a marker or biologically active portion thereof. Determining the ability of the test compound to directly bind to a marker can be accomplished, for example, by coupling the compound with a radioisotope or enzymatic label such that binding of the compound to the marker can be determined by detecting the labeled marker compound in a complex. For example, compounds (*e.g.*, marker substrates) can be labeled with  $^{125}\text{I}$ ,  $^{35}\text{S}$ ,  $^{14}\text{C}$ , or  $^3\text{H}$ , either directly or indirectly, and the radioisotope detected by direct counting of radioemission or by scintillation counting. Alternatively, assay components can be enzymatically labeled with, for example, horseradish peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase, or luciferase, and the enzymatic label detected by determination of conversion of an appropriate substrate to product.

In another embodiment, the invention provides assays for screening candidate or test compounds which modulate the activity of a marker or a biologically active portion thereof. In all likelihood, the marker can, *in vivo*, interact with one or more molecules, such as, but not limited to, peptides, proteins, hormones, cofactors and nucleic acids. For the purposes

of this discussion, such cellular and extracellular molecules are referred to herein as "binding partners" or marker "substrate".

One necessary embodiment of the invention in order to facilitate such screening is the use of the marker to identify its natural *in vivo* binding partners. There are many ways to accomplish this which are known to one skilled in the art. One example is the use of the marker protein as "bait protein" in a two-hybrid assay or three-hybrid assay (see, *e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,283,317; Zervos *et al*, 1993, *Cell* 72:223-232; Madura *et al*, 1993, *J. Biol. Chem.* 268:12046-12054; Bartel *et al*, 1993, *Biotechniques* 14:920-924; Iwabuchi *et al*, 1993 *Oncogene* 8:1693-1696; Brent WO94/10300) in order to identify other proteins which bind to or interact with the marker (binding partners) and, therefore, are possibly involved in the natural function of the marker. Such marker binding partners are also likely to be involved in the propagation of signals by the marker or downstream elements of a marker-mediated signaling pathway. Alternatively, such marker binding partners may also be found to be inhibitors of the marker.

The two-hybrid system is based on the modular nature of most transcription factors, which consist of separable DNA-binding and activation domains. Briefly, the assay utilizes two different DNA constructs. In one construct, the gene that encodes a marker protein fused to a gene encoding the DNA binding domain of a known transcription factor (*e.g.*, GAL-4). In the other construct, a DNA sequence, from a library of DNA sequences, that encodes an unidentified protein ("prey" or "sample") is fused to a gene that codes for the activation domain of the known transcription factor. If the "bait" and the "prey" proteins are able to interact, *in vivo*, forming a marker-dependent complex, the DNA-binding and activation domains of the transcription factor are brought into close proximity. This proximity allows transcription of a reporter gene (*e.g.*, LacZ) which is operably linked to a transcriptional regulatory site responsive to the transcription factor. Expression of the reporter gene can be readily detected and cell colonies containing the functional transcription factor can be isolated and used to obtain the cloned gene which encodes the protein which interacts with the marker protein.

In a further embodiment, assays may be devised through the use of the invention for the purpose of identifying compounds which modulate (*e.g.*, affect either positively or negatively) interactions between a marker and its substrates and/or binding partners. Such compounds can include, but are not limited to, molecules such as antibodies, peptides, hormones, oligonucleotides, nucleic acids, and analogs thereof. Such compounds may also be obtained from any available source, including systematic libraries of natural and/or synthetic compounds. The preferred assay components for use in this embodiment is a cancer, marker identified herein, the known binding partner and/or substrate of same, and the test compound. Test compounds can be supplied from any source.

The basic principle of the assay systems used to identify compounds that interfere with the interaction between the marker and its binding partner involves preparing a reaction mixture containing the marker and its binding partner under conditions and for a time sufficient to allow the two products to interact and bind, thus forming a complex. In order to test an agent for inhibitory activity, the reaction mixture is prepared in the presence and absence of the test compound. The test compound can be initially included in the reaction mixture, or can be added at a time subsequent to the addition of the marker and its binding partner. Control reaction mixtures are incubated without the test compound or with a placebo. The formation of any complexes between the marker and its binding partner is then detected. The formation of a complex in the control reaction, but less or no such formation in the reaction mixture containing the test compound, indicates that the compound interferes with the interaction of the marker and its binding partner. Conversely, the formation of more complex in the presence of compound than in the control reaction indicates that the compound may enhance interaction of the marker and its binding partner. The assay for compounds that interfere with the interaction of the marker with its binding partner may be conducted in a heterogeneous or homogeneous format. Heterogeneous assays involve anchoring either the marker or its binding partner onto a solid phase and detecting complexes anchored to the solid phase at the end of the reaction. In homogeneous assays, the entire reaction is carried out in a liquid phase. In either approach, the order of addition of reactants can be varied to obtain different information about the compounds being tested. For example, test compounds that interfere with the interaction between the markers and the binding partners (*e.g.*, by competition) can be identified by conducting the reaction in the presence of the test substance, *i.e.*, by adding the test substance to the reaction mixture prior to or simultaneously with the marker and its interactive binding partner. Alternatively, test compounds that disrupt preformed complexes, *e.g.*, compounds with higher binding constants that displace one of the components from the complex, can be tested by adding the test compound to the reaction mixture after complexes have been formed. The various formats are briefly described below.

In a heterogeneous assay system, either the marker or its binding partner is anchored onto a solid surface or matrix, while the other corresponding non-anchored component may be labeled, either directly or indirectly. In practice, microtitre plates are often utilized for this approach. The anchored species can be immobilized by a number of methods, either non-covalent or covalent, that are typically well known to one who practices the art. Non-covalent attachment can often be accomplished simply by coating the solid surface with a solution of the marker or its binding partner and drying. Alternatively, an immobilized antibody specific for the assay component to be anchored can be used for this purpose. Such surfaces can often be prepared in advance and stored.

In related embodiments, a fusion protein can be provided which adds a domain that allows one or both of the assay components to be anchored to a matrix. For example, glutathione-S-transferase/marker fusion proteins or glutathione-S-transferase/binding partner can be adsorbed onto glutathione sepharose beads (Sigma Chemical, St. Louis, MO) or glutathione derivatized microtiter plates, which are then combined with the test compound or the test compound and either the non-adsorbed marker or its binding partner, and the mixture incubated under conditions conducive to complex formation (*e.g.*, physiological conditions). Following incubation, the beads or microtiter plate wells are washed to remove any unbound assay components, the immobilized complex assessed either directly or indirectly, for example, as described above. Alternatively, the complexes can be dissociated from the matrix, and the level of marker binding or activity determined using standard techniques.

Other techniques for immobilizing proteins on matrices can also be used in the screening assays of the invention. For example, either a marker or a marker binding partner can be immobilized utilizing conjugation of biotin and streptavidin. Biotinylated marker protein or target molecules can be prepared from biotin-NHS (N-hydroxy-succinimide) using techniques known in the art (*e.g.*, biotinylation kit, Pierce Chemicals, Rockford, IL), and immobilized in the wells of streptavidin-coated 96 well plates (Pierce Chemical). In certain embodiments, the protein-immobilized surfaces can be prepared in advance and stored.

In order to conduct the assay, the corresponding partner of the immobilized assay component is exposed to the coated surface with or without the test compound. After the reaction is complete, unreacted assay components are removed (*e.g.*, by washing) and any complexes formed will remain immobilized on the solid surface. The detection of complexes anchored on the solid surface can be accomplished in a number of ways. Where the non-immobilized component is pre-labeled, the detection of label immobilized on the surface indicates that complexes were formed. Where the non-immobilized component is not pre-labeled, an indirect label can be used to detect complexes anchored on the surface; *e.g.*, using a labeled antibody specific for the initially non-immobilized species (the antibody, in turn, can be directly labeled or indirectly labeled with, *e.g.*, a labeled anti-Ig antibody). Depending upon the order of addition of reaction components, test compounds which modulate (inhibit or enhance) complex formation or which disrupt preformed complexes can be detected.

In an alternate embodiment of the invention, a homogeneous assay may be used. This is typically a reaction, analogous to those mentioned above, which is conducted in a liquid phase in the presence or absence of the test compound. The formed complexes are then separated from unreacted components, and the amount of complex formed is determined. As mentioned for heterogeneous assay systems, the order of addition of

reactants to the liquid phase can yield information about which test compounds modulate (inhibit or enhance) complex formation and which disrupt preformed complexes.

In such a homogeneous assay, the reaction products may be separated from unreacted assay components by any of a number of standard techniques, including but not limited to: differential centrifugation, chromatography, electrophoresis and immunoprecipitation. In differential centrifugation, complexes of molecules may be separated from uncomplexed molecules through a series of centrifugal steps, due to the different sedimentation equilibria of complexes based on their different sizes and densities (see, for example, Rivas, G., and Minton, A.P., *Trends Biochem Sci* 1993 Aug;18(8):284-7). Standard chromatographic techniques may also be utilized to separate complexed molecules from uncomplexed ones. For example, gel filtration chromatography separates molecules based on size, and through the utilization of an appropriate gel filtration resin in a column format, for example, the relatively larger complex may be separated from the relatively smaller uncomplexed components. Similarly, the relatively different charge properties of the complex as compared to the uncomplexed molecules may be exploited to differentially separate the complex from the remaining individual reactants, for example through the use of ion-exchange chromatography resins. Such resins and chromatographic techniques are well known to one skilled in the art (see, e.g., Heegaard, 1998, *J Mol. Recognit.* 11:141-148; Hage and Tweed, 1997, *J. Chromatogr. B. Biomed. Sci. Appl.*, 699:499-525). Gel electrophoresis may also be employed to separate complexed molecules from unbound species (see, e.g., Ausubel *et al* (eds.), In: *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, J. Wiley & Sons, New York. 1999). In this technique, protein or nucleic acid complexes are separated based on size or charge, for example. In order to maintain the binding interaction during the electrophoretic process, nondenaturing gels in the absence of reducing agent are typically preferred, but conditions appropriate to the particular interactants will be well known to one skilled in the art. Immunoprecipitation is another common technique utilized for the isolation of a protein-protein complex from solution (see, e.g., Ausubel *et al* (eds.), In: *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, J. Wiley & Sons, New York. 1999). In this technique, all proteins binding to an antibody specific to one of the binding molecules are precipitated from solution by conjugating the antibody to a polymer bead that may be readily collected by centrifugation. The bound assay components are released from the beads (through a specific proteolysis event or other technique well known in the art which will not disturb the protein-protein interaction in the complex), and a second immunoprecipitation step is performed, this time utilizing antibodies specific for the correspondingly different interacting assay component. In this manner, only formed complexes should remain attached to the beads. Variations in complex formation in both the presence and the absence of a test compound can be compared, thus offering

information about the ability of the compound to modulate interactions between the marker and its binding partner.

Also within the scope of the present invention are methods for direct detection of interactions between the marker and its natural binding partner and/or a test compound in a homogeneous or heterogeneous assay system without further sample manipulation. For example, the technique of fluorescence energy transfer may be utilized (see, *e.g.*, Lakowicz *et al*, U.S. Patent No. 5,631,169; Stavrianopoulos *et al*, U.S. Patent No. 4,868,103). Generally, this technique involves the addition of a fluorophore label on a first 'donor' molecule (*e.g.*, marker or test compound) such that its emitted fluorescent energy will be absorbed by a fluorescent label on a second, 'acceptor' molecule (*e.g.*, marker or test compound), which in turn is able to fluoresce due to the absorbed energy. Alternately, the 'donor' protein molecule may simply utilize the natural fluorescent energy of tryptophan residues. Labels are chosen that emit different wavelengths of light, such that the 'acceptor' molecule label may be differentiated from that of the 'donor'. Since the efficiency of energy transfer between the labels is related to the distance separating the molecules, spatial relationships between the molecules can be assessed. In a situation in which binding occurs between the molecules, the fluorescent emission of the 'acceptor' molecule label in the assay should be maximal. An FET binding event can be conveniently measured through standard fluorometric detection means well known in the art (*e.g.*, using a fluorimeter). A test substance which either enhances or hinders participation of one of the species in the preformed complex will result in the generation of a signal variant to that of background. In this way, test substances that modulate interactions between a marker and its binding partner can be identified in controlled assays.

In another embodiment, modulators of marker expression are identified in a method wherein a cell is contacted with a candidate compound and the expression of mRNA or protein, corresponding to a marker in the cell, is determined. The level of expression of mRNA or protein in the presence of the candidate compound is compared to the level of expression of mRNA or protein in the absence of the candidate compound. The candidate compound can then be identified as a modulator of marker expression based on this comparison. For example, when expression of marker mRNA or protein is greater (statistically significantly greater) in the presence of the candidate compound than in its absence, the candidate compound is identified as a stimulator of marker mRNA or protein expression. Conversely, when expression of marker mRNA or protein is less (statistically significantly less) in the presence of the candidate compound than in its absence, the candidate compound is identified as an inhibitor of marker mRNA or protein expression. The level of marker mRNA or protein expression in the cells can be determined by methods described herein for detecting marker mRNA or protein.

In another aspect, the invention pertains to a combination of two or more of the assays described herein. For example, a modulating agent can be identified using a cell-based or a cell free assay, and the ability of the agent to modulate the activity of a marker protein can be further confirmed *in vivo*, *e.g.*, in a whole animal model for cancer, cellular transformation and/or tumorigenesis. An animal model for pancreatic cancer is described in, for example, Aguirre A., *et al.* (2003) *Genes Dev.* Dec 15;17(24):3112-26, the contents of which are expressly incorporated herein by reference. Additional animal based models of cancer are well known in the art (reviewed in Animal Models of Cancer Predisposition Syndromes, Hiai, H and Hino, O (eds.) 1999, *Progress in Experimental Tumor Research*, Vol. 35; Clarke AR *Carcinogenesis* (2000) 21:435-41) and include, for example, carcinogen-induced tumors (Rithidech, K *et al. Mutat Res* (1999) 428:33-39; Miller, ML *et al. Environ Mol Mutagen* (2000) 35:319-327), injection and/or transplantation of tumor cells into an animal, as well as animals bearing mutations in growth regulatory genes, for example, oncogenes (*e.g.*, ras) (Arbeit, JM *et al. Am J Pathol* (1993) 142:1187-1197; Sinn, E *et al. Cell* (1987) 49:465-475; Thorgeirsson, SS *et al. Toxicol Lett* (2000) 112-113:553-555) and tumor suppressor genes (*e.g.*, p53) (Vooijs, M *et al. Oncogene* (1999) 18:5293-5303; Clark AR *Cancer Metast Rev* (1995) 14:125-148; Kumar, TR *et al. J Intern Med* (1995) 238:233-238; Donehower, LA *et al.* (1992) *Nature* 356:215-221). Furthermore, experimental model systems are available for the study of, for example, ovarian cancer (Hamilton, TC *et al. Semin Oncol* (1984) 11:285-298; Rahman, NA *et al. Mol Cell Endocrinol* (1998) 145:167-174; Beamer, WG *et al. Toxicol Pathol* (1998) 26:704-710), gastric cancer (Thompson, J *et al. Int J Cancer* (2000) 86:863-869; Fodde, R *et al. Cytogenet Cell Genet* (1999) 86:105-111), breast cancer (Li, M *et al. Oncogene* (2000) 19:1010-1019; Green, JE *et al. Oncogene* (2000) 19:1020-1027), melanoma (Satyamoorthy, K *et al. Cancer Metast Rev* (1999) 18:401-405), and prostate cancer (Shirai, T *et al. Mutat Res* (2000) 462:219-226; Bostwick, DG *et al. Prostate* (2000) 43:286-294). Animal models described in, for example, Chin L. *et al.* (1999) *Nature* 400(6743):468-72, may also be used in the methods of the invention.

This invention further pertains to novel agents identified by the above-described screening assays. Accordingly, it is within the scope of this invention to further use an agent identified as described herein in an appropriate animal model. For example, an agent identified as described herein (*e.g.*, a marker modulating agent, a small molecule, an antisense marker nucleic acid molecule, a ribozyme, a marker-specific antibody, or fragment thereof, a marker protein, a marker nucleic acid molecule, an RNA interfering agent, *e.g.*, an siRNA molecule targeting a marker of the invention, or a marker-binding partner) can be used in an animal model to determine the efficacy, toxicity, or side effects of treatment with such an agent. Alternatively, an agent identified as described herein can be used in an animal model to determine the mechanism of action of such an agent.

Furthermore, this invention pertains to uses of novel agents identified by the above-described screening assays for treatments as described herein.

### VIII. Pharmaceutical Compositions

5           The small molecules, peptides, peptoids, peptidomimetics, polypeptides, RNA interfering agents, *e.g.*, siRNA molecules, antibodies, ribozymes, and antisense oligonucleotides (also referred to herein as "active compounds" or "compounds") corresponding to a marker of the invention can be incorporated into pharmaceutical compositions suitable for administration. Such compositions typically comprise the small  
10           molecules, peptides, peptoids, peptidomimetics, polypeptides, RNA interfering agents, *e.g.*, siRNA molecules, antibodies, ribozymes, or antisense oligonucleotides and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. As used herein the language "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" is intended to include any and all solvents, dispersion media, coatings, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents, and the like,  
15           compatible with pharmaceutical administration. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutically active substances is well known in the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the active compound, use thereof in the compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active compounds can also be incorporated into the compositions.

20           The invention includes methods for preparing pharmaceutical compositions for modulating the expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid corresponding to a marker of the invention. Such methods comprise formulating a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier with an agent which modulates expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid corresponding to a marker of the invention. Such compositions can further  
25           include additional active agents. Thus, the invention further includes methods for preparing a pharmaceutical composition by formulating a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier with an agent which modulates expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid corresponding to a marker of the invention and one or more additional active compounds.

          It is understood that appropriate doses of small molecule agents and protein or  
30           polypeptide agents depends upon a number of factors within the knowledge of the ordinarily skilled physician, veterinarian, or researcher. The dose(s) of these agents will vary, for example, depending upon the identity, size, and condition of the subject or sample being treated, further depending upon the route by which the composition is to be administered, if applicable, and the effect which the practitioner desires the agent to have  
35           upon the nucleic acid molecule or polypeptide of the invention. Small molecules include, but are not limited to, peptides, peptidomimetics, amino acids, amino acid analogs, polynucleotides, polynucleotide analogs, nucleotides, nucleotide analogs, organic or inorganic compounds (*i.e.*, including heteroorganic and organometallic compounds) having

a molecular weight less than about 10,000 grams per mole, organic or inorganic compounds having a molecular weight less than about 5,000 grams per mole, organic or inorganic compounds having a molecular weight less than about 1,000 grams per mole, organic or inorganic compounds having a molecular weight less than about 500 grams per mole, and salts, esters, and other pharmaceutically acceptable forms of such compounds.

Exemplary doses of a small molecule include milligram or microgram amounts per kilogram of subject or sample weight (*e.g.* about 1 microgram per kilogram to about 500 milligrams per kilogram, about 100 micrograms per kilogram to about 5 milligrams per kilogram, or about 1 microgram per kilogram to about 50 micrograms per kilogram).

As defined herein, a therapeutically effective amount of an RNA interfering agent, *e.g.*, siRNA, (*i.e.*, an effective dosage) ranges from about 0.001 to 3,000 mg/kg body weight, preferably about 0.01 to 2500 mg/kg body weight, more preferably about 0.1 to 2000, about 0.1 to 1000 mg/kg body weight, 0.1 to 500 mg/kg body weight, 0.1 to 100 mg/kg body weight, 0.1 to 50 mg/kg body weight, 0.1 to 25 mg/kg body weight, and even more preferably about 1 to 10 mg/kg, 2 to 9 mg/kg, 3 to 8 mg/kg, 4 to 7 mg/kg, or 5 to 6 mg/kg body weight. Treatment of a subject with a therapeutically effective amount of an RNA interfering agent can include a single treatment or, preferably, can include a series of treatments. In a preferred example, a subject is treated with an RNA interfering agent in the range of between about 0.1 to 20 mg/kg body weight, one time per week for between about 1 to 10 weeks, preferably between 2 to 8 weeks, more preferably between about 3 to 7 weeks, and even more preferably for about 4, 5, or 6 weeks.

Exemplary doses of a protein or polypeptide include gram, milligram or microgram amounts per kilogram of subject or sample weight (*e.g.* about 1 microgram per kilogram to about 5 grams per kilogram, about 100 micrograms per kilogram to about 500 milligrams per kilogram, or about 1 milligram per kilogram to about 50 milligrams per kilogram). It is furthermore understood that appropriate doses of one of these agents depend upon the potency of the agent with respect to the expression or activity to be modulated. Such appropriate doses can be determined using the assays described herein. When one or more of these agents is to be administered to an animal (*e.g.* a human) in order to modulate expression or activity of a polypeptide or nucleic acid of the invention, a physician, veterinarian, or researcher can, for example, prescribe a relatively low dose at first, subsequently increasing the dose until an appropriate response is obtained. In addition, it is understood that the specific dose level for any particular animal subject will depend upon a variety of factors including the activity of the specific agent employed, the age, body weight, general health, gender, and diet of the subject, the time of administration, the route of administration, the rate of excretion, any drug combination, and the degree of expression or activity to be modulated.

A pharmaceutical composition of the invention is formulated to be compatible with its intended route of administration. Examples of routes of administration include parenteral, *e.g.*, intravenous, intradermal, subcutaneous, oral (*e.g.*, inhalation), transdermal (topical), transmucosal, and rectal administration. Solutions or suspensions used for parenteral, intradermal, or subcutaneous application can include the following components: a sterile diluent such as water for injection, saline solution, fixed oils, polyethylene glycols, glycerine, propylene glycol or other synthetic solvents; antibacterial agents such as benzyl alcohol or methyl parabens; antioxidants such as ascorbic acid or sodium bisulfite; chelating agents such as ethylenediamine-tetraacetic acid; buffers such as acetates, citrates or phosphates and agents for the adjustment of tonicity such as sodium chloride or dextrose. pH can be adjusted with acids or bases, such as hydrochloric acid or sodium hydroxide. The parenteral preparation can be enclosed in ampules, disposable syringes or multiple dose vials made of glass or plastic.

Pharmaceutical compositions suitable for injectable use include sterile aqueous solutions (where water soluble) or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions. For intravenous administration, suitable carriers include physiological saline, bacteriostatic water, Cremophor EL (BASF; Parsippany, NJ) or phosphate buffered saline (PBS). In all cases, the composition must be sterile and should be fluid to the extent that easy syringability exists. It must be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and must be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms such as bacteria and fungi. The carrier can be a solvent or dispersion medium containing, for example, water, ethanol, polyol (for example, glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), and suitable mixtures thereof. The proper fluidity can be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of dispersion and by the use of surfactants. Prevention of the action of microorganisms can be achieved by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabens, chlorobutanol, phenol, ascorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars, polyalcohols such as mannitol, sorbitol, or sodium chloride in the composition. Prolonged absorption of the injectable compositions can be brought about by including in the composition an agent which delays absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

Sterile injectable solutions can be prepared by incorporating the active compound (*e.g.*, a polypeptide or antibody) in the required amount in an appropriate solvent with one or a combination of ingredients enumerated above, as required, followed by filtered sterilization. Generally, dispersions are prepared by incorporating the active compound into a sterile vehicle which contains a basic dispersion medium, and then incorporating the required other ingredients from those enumerated above. In the case of sterile powders for

the preparation of sterile injectable solutions, the preferred methods of preparation are vacuum drying and freeze-drying which yields a powder of the active ingredient plus any additional desired ingredient from a previously sterile-filtered solution thereof.

Oral compositions generally include an inert diluent or an edible carrier. They can be enclosed in gelatin capsules or compressed into tablets. For the purpose of oral therapeutic administration, the active compound can be incorporated with excipients and used in the form of tablets, troches, or capsules. Oral compositions can also be prepared using a fluid carrier for use as a mouthwash, wherein the compound in the fluid carrier is applied orally and swished and expectorated or swallowed.

Pharmaceutically compatible binding agents, and/or adjuvant materials can be included as part of the composition. The tablets, pills, capsules, troches, and the like can contain any of the following ingredients, or compounds of a similar nature: a binder such as microcrystalline cellulose, gum tragacanth or gelatin; an excipient such as starch or lactose, a disintegrating agent such as alginic acid, Primogel, or corn starch; a lubricant such as magnesium stearate or Sterotes; a glidant such as colloidal silicon dioxide; a sweetening agent such as sucrose or saccharin; or a flavoring agent such as peppermint, methyl salicylate, or orange flavoring.

For administration by inhalation, the compounds are delivered in the form of an aerosol spray from a pressurized container or dispenser which contains a suitable propellant, *e.g.*, a gas such as carbon dioxide, or a nebulizer.

Systemic administration can also be by transmucosal or transdermal means. For transmucosal or transdermal administration, penetrants appropriate to the barrier to be permeated are used in the formulation. Such penetrants are generally known in the art, and include, for example, for transmucosal administration, detergents, bile salts, and fusidic acid derivatives. Transmucosal administration can be accomplished through the use of nasal sprays or suppositories. For transdermal administration, the active compounds are formulated into ointments, salves, gels, or creams as generally known in the art.

The compounds can also be prepared in the form of suppositories (*e.g.*, with conventional suppository bases such as cocoa butter and other glycerides) or retention enemas for rectal delivery.

In one embodiment, the active compounds are prepared with carriers that will protect the compound against rapid elimination from the body, such as a controlled release formulation, including implants and microencapsulated delivery systems. Biodegradable, biocompatible polymers can be used, such as ethylene vinyl acetate, polyanhydrides, polyglycolic acid, collagen, polyorthoesters, and polylactic acid. Methods for preparation of such formulations will be apparent to those skilled in the art. The materials can also be obtained commercially from Alza Corporation and Nova Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Liposomal suspensions (including liposomes having monoclonal antibodies incorporated therein or

thereon) can also be used as pharmaceutically acceptable carriers. These can be prepared according to methods known to those skilled in the art, for example, as described in U.S. Patent No. 4,522,811.

It is especially advantageous to formulate oral or parenteral compositions in dosage unit form for ease of administration and uniformity of dosage. Dosage unit form as used  
5 herein refers to physically discrete units suited as unitary dosages for the subject to be treated; each unit containing a predetermined quantity of active compound calculated to produce the desired therapeutic effect in association with the required pharmaceutical carrier. The specification for the dosage unit forms of the invention are dictated by and  
10 directly dependent on the unique characteristics of the active compound and the particular therapeutic effect to be achieved, and the limitations inherent in the art of compounding such an active compound for the treatment of individuals.

For antibodies, the preferred dosage is 0.1 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg of body weight (generally 10 mg/kg to 20 mg/kg). If the antibody is to act in the brain, a dosage of 50  
15 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg is usually appropriate. Generally, partially human antibodies and fully human antibodies have a longer half-life within the human body than other antibodies. Accordingly, lower dosages and less frequent administration is often possible. Modifications such as lipidation can be used to stabilize antibodies and to enhance uptake and tissue penetration (*e.g.*, into the epithelium). A method for lipidation of antibodies is  
20 described by Cruikshank *et al.* (1997) *J. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes and Human Retrovirology* 14:193.

The nucleic acid molecules corresponding to a marker of the invention can be inserted into vectors and used as gene therapy vectors. Gene therapy vectors can be delivered to a subject by, for example, intravenous injection, local administration (U.S.  
25 Patent 5,328,470), or by stereotactic injection (see, *e.g.*, Chen *et al.*, 1994, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:3054-3057). The pharmaceutical preparation of the gene therapy vector can include the gene therapy vector in an acceptable diluent, or can comprise a slow release matrix in which the gene delivery vehicle is imbedded. Alternatively, where the complete gene delivery vector can be produced intact from recombinant cells, *e.g.* retroviral vectors,  
30 the pharmaceutical preparation can include one or more cells which produce the gene delivery system.

The RNA interfering agents, *e.g.*, siRNAs used in the methods of the invention can be inserted into vectors. These constructs can be delivered to a subject by, for example, intravenous injection, local administration (see U.S. Patent 5,328,470) or by stereotactic  
35 injection (see *e.g.*, Chen *et al.* (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91:3054-3057). The pharmaceutical preparation of the vector can include the RNA interfering agent, *e.g.*, the siRNA vector in an acceptable diluent, or can comprise a slow release matrix in which the gene delivery vehicle is imbedded. Alternatively, where the complete gene delivery vector

can be produced intact from recombinant cells, *e.g.*, retroviral vectors, the pharmaceutical preparation can include one or more cells which produce the gene delivery system.

The pharmaceutical compositions can be included in a container, pack, or dispenser together with instructions for administration.

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## **IX. Predictive Medicine**

The present invention also pertains to the field of predictive medicine in which diagnostic assays, prognostic assays, pharmacogenomics, and monitoring clinical trails are used for prognostic (predictive) purposes to thereby treat an individual prophylactically.

10 Accordingly, one aspect of the present invention relates to diagnostic assays for determining the amount, structure, and/or activity of polypeptides or nucleic acids corresponding to one or more markers of the invention, in order to determine whether an individual is at risk of developing cancer. Such assays can be used for prognostic or predictive purposes to thereby prophylactically treat an individual prior to the onset of the

15 cancer.

Yet another aspect of the invention pertains to monitoring the influence of agents (*e.g.*, drugs or other compounds administered either to inhibit cancer, or to treat or prevent any other disorder *{i.e. in order to understand any carcinogenic effects that such treatment may have}*) on the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker of the invention in clinical

20 trials. These and other agents are described in further detail in the following sections.

### **A. Diagnostic Assays**

#### **1. Methods for Detection of Copy Number**

25 Methods of evaluating the copy number of a particular marker or chromosomal region (*e.g.*, an MCR) are well known to those of skill in the art. The presence or absence of chromosomal gain or loss can be evaluated simply by a determination of copy number of the regions or markers identified herein.

30 Methods for evaluating copy number of encoding nucleic acid in a sample include, but are not limited to, hybridization-based assays. For example, one method for evaluating the copy number of encoding nucleic acid in a sample involves a Southern Blot. In a Southern Blot, the genomic DNA (typically fragmented and separated on an electrophoretic gel) is hybridized to a probe specific for the target region. Comparison of the intensity of the hybridization signal from the probe for the target region with control probe signal from

35 analysis of normal genomic DNA (*e.g.*, a non-amplified portion of the same or related cell, tissue, organ, etc.) provides an estimate of the relative copy number of the target nucleic acid.

An alternative means for determining the copy number is in situ hybridization (e.g., Angerer (1987) Meth. Enzymol 152: 649). Generally, in situ hybridization comprises the following steps: (1) fixation of tissue or biological structure to be analyzed; (2) prehybridization treatment of the biological structure to increase accessibility of target DNA, and to reduce nonspecific binding; (3) hybridization of the mixture of nucleic acids to the nucleic acid in the biological structure or tissue; (4) post-hybridization washes to remove nucleic acid fragments not bound in the hybridization and (5) detection of the hybridized nucleic acid fragments. The reagent used in each of these steps and the conditions for use vary depending on the particular application.

Preferred hybridization-based assays include, but are not limited to, traditional "direct probe" methods such as Southern blots or in situ hybridization (e.g., FISH), and "comparative probe" methods such as comparative genomic hybridization (CGH), e.g., cDNA-based or oligonucleotide-based CGH. The methods can be used in a wide variety of formats including, but not limited to, substrate (e.g. membrane or glass) bound methods or array-based approaches.

In a typical in situ hybridization assay, cells are fixed to a solid support, typically a glass slide. If a nucleic acid is to be probed, the cells are typically denatured with heat or alkali. The cells are then contacted with a hybridization solution at a moderate temperature to permit annealing of labeled probes specific to the nucleic acid sequence encoding the protein. The targets (e.g., cells) are then typically washed at a predetermined stringency or at an increasing stringency until an appropriate signal to noise ratio is obtained.

The probes are typically labeled, e.g., with radioisotopes or fluorescent reporters. Preferred probes are sufficiently long so as to specifically hybridize with the target nucleic acid(s) under stringent conditions. The preferred size range is from about 200 bases to about 1000 bases.

In some applications it is necessary to block the hybridization capacity of repetitive sequences. Thus, in some embodiments, tRNA, human genomic DNA, or Cot-I DNA is used to block non-specific hybridization.

In CGH methods, a first collection of nucleic acids (e.g. from a sample, e.g., a possible tumor) is labeled with a first label, while a second collection of nucleic acids (e.g. a control, e.g., from a healthy cell/tissue) is labeled with a second label. The ratio of hybridization of the nucleic acids is determined by the ratio of the two (first and second) labels binding to each fiber in the array. Where there are chromosomal deletions or multiplications, differences in the ratio of the signals from the two labels will be detected and the ratio will provide a measure of the copy number. Array-based CGH may also be performed with single-color labeling (as opposed to labeling the control and the possible tumor sample with two different dyes and mixing them prior to hybridization, which will yield ratio due to competitive hybridization to probes on the arrays). In single color CGH,

the control is labeled and hybridized to one array and absolute signals are read, and the possible tumor sample is labeled and hybridized to a second array (with identical content) and absolute signals are read. Copy number difference is calculated based on absolute signals from the two arrays. Hybridization protocols suitable for use with the methods of the invention are described, e.g., in Albertson (1984) *EMBO J.* 3: 1227-1234; Pinkel (1988) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 85: 9138-9142; EPO Pub. No. 430,402; *Methods in Molecular Biology*, Vol. 33: *In Situ Hybridization Protocols*, Choo, ed., Humana Press, Totowa, N.J. (1994), etc. In one embodiment, the hybridization protocol of Pinkel et al. (1998) *Nature Genetics* 20: 207-211, or of Kallioniemi (1992) *Proc. Natl Acad Sci USA* 89:5321-5325 (1992) is used.

The methods of the invention are particularly well suited to array-based hybridization formats. Array-based CGH is described in U.S. Patent No. 6,455,258, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

In still another embodiment, amplification-based assays can be used to measure copy number. In such amplification-based assays, the nucleic acid sequences act as a template in an amplification reaction (e.g., Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)). In a quantitative amplification, the amount of amplification product will be proportional to the amount of template in the original sample. Comparison to appropriate controls, e.g. healthy tissue, provides a measure of the copy number.

Methods of "quantitative" amplification are well known to those of skill in the art. For example, quantitative PCR involves simultaneously co-amplifying a known quantity of a control sequence using the same primers. This provides an internal standard that may be used to calibrate the PCR reaction. Detailed protocols for quantitative PCR are provided in Innis et al. (1990) *PCR Protocols, A Guide to Methods and Applications*, Academic Press, Inc. N.Y.). Measurement of DNA copy number at microsatellite loci using quantitative PCR analysis is described in Ginzinger, *et al.* (2000) *Cancer Research* 60:5405-5409. The known nucleic acid sequence for the genes is sufficient to enable one of skill in the art to routinely select primers to amplify any portion of the gene. Fluorogenic quantitative PCR may also be used in the methods of the invention. In fluorogenic quantitative PCR, quantitation is based on amount of fluorescence signals, e.g., TaqMan and sybr green.

Other suitable amplification methods include, but are not limited to, ligase chain reaction (LCR) (see Wu and Wallace (1989) *Genomics* 4: 560, Landegren et al. (1988) *Science* 241: 1077, and Barringer et al. (1990) *Gene* 89: 117, transcription amplification (Kwoh et al. (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86: 1173), self-sustained sequence replication (Guatelli et al. (1990) *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA* 87: 1874), dot PCR, and linker adapter PCR, etc.

Loss of heterozygosity (LOH) mapping (Wang Z.C. *et al.* (2004) *Cancer Res* 64(1):64-71; Seymour, A. B., *et al.* (1994) *Cancer Res* 54, 2761-4; Hahn, S. A., *et al.*

(1995) *Cancer Res* 55, 4670-5; Kimura, M., *et al.* (1996) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 17, 88-93) may also be used to identify regions of amplification or deletion.

## 2. Methods for Detection of Gene Expression

5           Marker expression level can also be assayed as a method for diagnosis of cancer or risk for developing cancer. Expression of a marker of the invention may be assessed by any of a wide variety of well known methods for detecting expression of a transcribed molecule or protein. Non-limiting examples of such methods include immunological methods for  
10           detection of secreted, cell-surface, cytoplasmic, or nuclear proteins, protein purification methods, protein function or activity assays, nucleic acid hybridization methods, nucleic acid reverse transcription methods, and nucleic acid amplification methods.

          In preferred embodiments, activity of a particular gene is characterized by a measure of gene transcript (e.g. mRNA), by a measure of the quantity of translated protein, or by a measure of gene product activity. Marker expression can be monitored in a variety  
15           of ways, including by detecting mRNA levels, protein levels, or protein activity, any of which can be measured using standard techniques. Detection can involve quantification of the level of gene expression (e.g., genomic DNA, cDNA, mRNA, protein, or enzyme activity), or, alternatively, can be a qualitative assessment of the level of gene expression, in particular in comparison with a control level. The type of level being detected will be clear  
20           from the context.

          Methods of detecting and/or quantifying the gene transcript (mRNA or cDNA made therefrom) using nucleic acid hybridization techniques are known to those of skill in the art (see Sambrook *et al. supra*). For example, one method for evaluating the presence, absence, or quantity of cDNA involves a Southern transfer as described above. Briefly, the mRNA is  
25           isolated (e.g. using an acid guanidinium-phenol-chloroform extraction method, Sambrook *et al. supra.*) and reverse transcribed to produce cDNA. The cDNA is then optionally digested and run on a gel in buffer and transferred to membranes. Hybridization is then carried out using the nucleic acid probes specific for the target cDNA.

          A general principle of such diagnostic and prognostic assays involves preparing a  
30           sample or reaction mixture that may contain a marker, and a probe, under appropriate conditions and for a time sufficient to allow the marker and probe to interact and bind, thus forming a complex that can be removed and/or detected in the reaction mixture. These assays can be conducted in a variety of ways.

          For example, one method to conduct such an assay would involve anchoring the  
35           marker or probe onto a solid phase support, also referred to as a substrate, and detecting target marker/probe complexes anchored on the solid phase at the end of the reaction. In one embodiment of such a method, a sample from a subject, which is to be assayed for presence and/or concentration of marker, can be anchored onto a carrier or solid phase

support. In another embodiment, the reverse situation is possible, in which the probe can be anchored to a solid phase and a sample from a subject can be allowed to react as an unanchored component of the assay.

There are many established methods for anchoring assay components to a solid phase. These include, without limitation, marker or probe molecules which are immobilized through conjugation of biotin and streptavidin. Such biotinylated assay components can be prepared from biotin-NHS (N-hydroxy-succinimide) using techniques known in the art (*e.g.*, biotinylation kit, Pierce Chemicals, Rockford, IL), and immobilized in the wells of streptavidin-coated 96 well plates (Pierce Chemical). In certain embodiments, the surfaces with immobilized assay components can be prepared in advance and stored.

Other suitable carriers or solid phase supports for such assays include any material capable of binding the class of molecule to which the marker or probe belongs. Well-known supports or carriers include, but are not limited to, glass, polystyrene, nylon, polypropylene, nylon, polyethylene, dextran, amylases, natural and modified celluloses, polyacrylamides, gabbros, and magnetite.

In order to conduct assays with the above mentioned approaches, the non-immobilized component is added to the solid phase upon which the second component is anchored. After the reaction is complete, uncomplexed components may be removed (*e.g.*, by washing) under conditions such that any complexes formed will remain immobilized upon the solid phase. The detection of marker/probe complexes anchored to the solid phase can be accomplished in a number of methods outlined herein.

In a preferred embodiment, the probe, when it is the unanchored assay component, can be labeled for the purpose of detection and readout of the assay, either directly or indirectly, with detectable labels discussed herein and which are well-known to one skilled in the art.

It is also possible to directly detect marker/probe complex formation without further manipulation or labeling of either component (marker or probe), for example by utilizing the technique of fluorescence energy transfer (see, for example, Lakowicz *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,631,169; Stavrianopoulos, *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 4,868,103). A fluorophore label on the first, 'donor' molecule is selected such that, upon excitation with incident light of appropriate wavelength, its emitted fluorescent energy will be absorbed by a fluorescent label on a second 'acceptor' molecule, which in turn is able to fluoresce due to the absorbed energy. Alternately, the 'donor' protein molecule may simply utilize the natural fluorescent energy of tryptophan residues. Labels are chosen that emit different wavelengths of light, such that the 'acceptor' molecule label may be differentiated from that of the 'donor'. Since the efficiency of energy transfer between the labels is related to the distance separating the molecules, spatial relationships between the molecules can be assessed. In a

situation in which binding occurs between the molecules, the fluorescent emission of the 'acceptor' molecule label in the assay should be maximal. An FET binding event can be conveniently measured through standard fluorometric detection means well known in the art (e.g., using a fluorimeter).

5           In another embodiment, determination of the ability of a probe to recognize a marker can be accomplished without labeling either assay component (probe or marker) by utilizing a technology such as real-time Biomolecular Interaction Analysis (BIA) (see, e.g., Sjolander, S. and Urbaniczky, C., 1991, *Anal. Chem.* 63:2338-2345 and Szabo *et al.*, 1995, *Curr. Opin. Struct. Biol.* 5:699-705). As used herein, "BIA" or "surface plasmon  
10 resonance" is a technology for studying biospecific interactions in real time, without labeling any of the interactants (e.g., BIAcore). Changes in the mass at the binding surface (indicative of a binding event) result in alterations of the refractive index of light near the surface (the optical phenomenon of surface plasmon resonance (SPR)), resulting in a detectable signal which can be used as an indication of real-time reactions between  
15 biological molecules.

          Alternatively, in another embodiment, analogous diagnostic and prognostic assays can be conducted with marker and probe as solutes in a liquid phase. In such an assay, the complexed marker and probe are separated from uncomplexed components by any of a number of standard techniques, including but not limited to: differential centrifugation,  
20 chromatography, electrophoresis and immunoprecipitation. In differential centrifugation, marker/probe complexes may be separated from uncomplexed assay components through a series of centrifugal steps, due to the different sedimentation equilibria of complexes based on their different sizes and densities (see, for example, Rivas, G., and Minton, A.P., 1993, *Trends Biochem Sci.* 18(8):284-7). Standard chromatographic techniques may also be  
25 utilized to separate complexed molecules from uncomplexed ones. For example, gel filtration chromatography separates molecules based on size, and through the utilization of an appropriate gel filtration resin in a column format, for example, the relatively larger complex may be separated from the relatively smaller uncomplexed components. Similarly, the relatively different charge properties of the marker/probe complex as  
30 compared to the uncomplexed components may be exploited to differentiate the complex from uncomplexed components, for example through the utilization of ion-exchange chromatography resins. Such resins and chromatographic techniques are well known to one skilled in the art (see, e.g., Heegaard, N.H., 1998, *J. Mol. Recognit.* Winter 11(1-6):141-8; Hage, D.S., and Tweed, S.A. *J Chromatogr B Biomed Sci Appl* 1997 Oct 10;699(1-2):499-  
35 525). Gel electrophoresis may also be employed to separate complexed assay components from unbound components (see, e.g., Ausubel *et al.*, ed., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1987-1999). In this technique, protein or nucleic acid complexes are separated based on size or charge, for example. In order to maintain the

binding interaction during the electrophoretic process, non-denaturing gel matrix materials and conditions in the absence of reducing agent are typically preferred. Appropriate conditions to the particular assay and components thereof will be well known to one skilled in the art.

5 In a particular embodiment, the level of mRNA corresponding to the marker can be determined both by *in situ* and by *in vitro* formats in a biological sample using methods known in the art. The term "biological sample" is intended to include tissues, cells, biological fluids and isolates thereof, isolated from a subject, as well as tissues, cells and fluids present within a subject. Many expression detection methods use isolated RNA. For  
10 *in vitro* methods, any RNA isolation technique that does not select against the isolation of mRNA can be utilized for the purification of RNA from cells (see, *e.g.*, Ausubel *et al.*, ed., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley & Sons, New York 1987-1999). Additionally, large numbers of tissue samples can readily be processed using techniques well known to those of skill in the art, such as, for example, the single-step RNA isolation  
15 process of Chomczynski (1989, U.S. Patent No. 4,843,155).

The isolated nucleic acid can be used in hybridization or amplification assays that include, but are not limited to, Southern or Northern analyses, polymerase chain reaction analyses and probe arrays. One preferred diagnostic method for the detection of mRNA levels involves contacting the isolated mRNA with a nucleic acid molecule (probe) that can  
20 hybridize to the mRNA encoded by the gene being detected. The nucleic acid probe can be, for example, a full-length cDNA, or a portion thereof, such as an oligonucleotide of at least 7, 15, 30, 50, 100, 250 or 500 nucleotides in length and sufficient to specifically hybridize under stringent conditions to a mRNA or genomic DNA encoding a marker of the present invention. Other suitable probes for use in the diagnostic assays of the invention are  
25 described herein. Hybridization of an mRNA with the probe indicates that the marker in question is being expressed.

In one format, the mRNA is immobilized on a solid surface and contacted with a probe, for example by running the isolated mRNA on an agarose gel and transferring the mRNA from the gel to a membrane, such as nitrocellulose. In an alternative format, the  
30 probe(s) are immobilized on a solid surface and the mRNA is contacted with the probe(s), for example, in an Affymetrix gene chip array. A skilled artisan can readily adapt known mRNA detection methods for use in detecting the level of mRNA encoded by the markers of the present invention.

The probes can be full length or less than the full length of the nucleic acid sequence  
35 encoding the protein. Shorter probes are empirically tested for specificity. Preferably nucleic acid probes are 20 bases or longer in length. (See, *e.g.*, Sambrook *et al.* for methods of selecting nucleic acid probe sequences for use in nucleic acid hybridization.) Visualization of the hybridized portions allows the qualitative determination of the presence

or absence of cDNA.

An alternative method for determining the level of a transcript corresponding to a marker of the present invention in a sample involves the process of nucleic acid amplification, *e.g.*, by rtPCR (the experimental embodiment set forth in Mullis, 1987, U.S. Patent No. 4,683,202), ligase chain reaction (Barany, 1991, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 88:189-193), self sustained sequence replication (Guatelli *et al.*, 1990, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:1874-1878), transcriptional amplification system (Kwoh *et al.*, 1989, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:1173-1177), Q-Beta Replicase (Lizardi *et al.*, 1988, *Bio/Technology* 6:1197), rolling circle replication (Lizardi *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,854,033) or any other nucleic acid amplification method, followed by the detection of the amplified molecules using techniques well known to those of skill in the art. Fluorogenic rtPCR may also be used in the methods of the invention. In fluorogenic rtPCR, quantitation is based on amount of fluorescence signals, *e.g.*, TaqMan and sybr green. These detection schemes are especially useful for the detection of nucleic acid molecules if such molecules are present in very low numbers. As used herein, amplification primers are defined as being a pair of nucleic acid molecules that can anneal to 5' or 3' regions of a gene (plus and minus strands, respectively, or vice-versa) and contain a short region in between. In general, amplification primers are from about 10 to 30 nucleotides in length and flank a region from about 50 to 200 nucleotides in length. Under appropriate conditions and with appropriate reagents, such primers permit the amplification of a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence flanked by the primers. For *in situ* methods, mRNA does not need to be isolated from the cells prior to detection. In such methods, a cell or tissue sample is prepared/processed using known histological methods. The sample is then immobilized on a support, typically a glass slide, and then contacted with a probe that can hybridize to mRNA that encodes the marker.

As an alternative to making determinations based on the absolute expression level of the marker, determinations may be based on the normalized expression level of the marker. Expression levels are normalized by correcting the absolute expression level of a marker by comparing its expression to the expression of a gene that is not a marker, *e.g.*, a housekeeping gene that is constitutively expressed. Suitable genes for normalization include housekeeping genes such as the actin gene, or epithelial cell-specific genes. This normalization allows the comparison of the expression level in one sample, *e.g.*, a subject sample, to another sample, *e.g.*, a non-cancerous sample, or between samples from different sources.

Alternatively, the expression level can be provided as a relative expression level. To determine a relative expression level of a marker, the level of expression of the marker is determined for 10 or more samples of normal versus cancer cell isolates, preferably 50 or more samples, prior to the determination of the expression level for the sample in question.

The mean expression level of each of the genes assayed in the larger number of samples is determined and this is used as a baseline expression level for the marker. The expression level of the marker determined for the test sample (absolute level of expression) is then divided by the mean expression value obtained for that marker. This provides a relative expression level.

Preferably, the samples used in the baseline determination will be from cancer cells or normal cells of the same tissue type. The choice of the cell source is dependent on the use of the relative expression level. Using expression found in normal tissues as a mean expression score aids in validating whether the marker assayed is specific to the tissue from which the cell was derived (versus normal cells). In addition, as more data is accumulated, the mean expression value can be revised, providing improved relative expression values based on accumulated data. Expression data from normal cells provides a means for grading the severity of the cancer state.

In another preferred embodiment, expression of a marker is assessed by preparing genomic DNA or mRNA/cDNA (*i.e.* a transcribed polynucleotide) from cells in a subject sample, and by hybridizing the genomic DNA or mRNA/cDNA with a reference polynucleotide which is a complement of a polynucleotide comprising the marker, and fragments thereof. cDNA can, optionally, be amplified using any of a variety of polymerase chain reaction methods prior to hybridization with the reference polynucleotide. Expression of one or more markers can likewise be detected using quantitative PCR (QPCR) to assess the level of expression of the marker(s). Alternatively, any of the many known methods of detecting mutations or variants (*e.g.* single nucleotide polymorphisms, deletions, *etc.*) of a marker of the invention may be used to detect occurrence of a mutated marker in a subject.

In a related embodiment, a mixture of transcribed polynucleotides obtained from the sample is contacted with a substrate having fixed thereto a polynucleotide complementary to or homologous with at least a portion (*e.g.* at least 7, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 100, 500, or more nucleotide residues) of a marker of the invention. If polynucleotides complementary to or homologous with are differentially detectable on the substrate (*e.g.* detectable using different chromophores or fluorophores, or fixed to different selected positions), then the levels of expression of a plurality of markers can be assessed simultaneously using a single substrate (*e.g.* a "gene chip" microarray of polynucleotides fixed at selected positions). When a method of assessing marker expression is used which involves hybridization of one nucleic acid with another, it is preferred that the hybridization be performed under stringent hybridization conditions.

In another embodiment, a combination of methods to assess the expression of a marker is utilized.

Because the compositions, kits, and methods of the invention rely on detection of a difference in expression levels or copy number of one or more markers of the invention, it is preferable that the level of expression or copy number of the marker is significantly greater than the minimum detection limit of the method used to assess expression or copy number in at least one of normal cells and cancerous cells.

### 3. Methods for Detection of Expressed Protein

The activity or level of a marker protein can also be detected and/or quantified by detecting or quantifying the expressed polypeptide. The polypeptide can be detected and quantified by any of a number of means well known to those of skill in the art. These may include analytic biochemical methods such as electrophoresis, capillary electrophoresis, high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC), thin layer chromatography (TLC), hyperdiffusion chromatography, and the like, or various immunological methods such as fluid or gel precipitin reactions, immunodiffusion (single or double), immunoelectrophoresis, radioimmunoassay (RIA), enzyme-linked immunosorbent assays (ELISAs), immunofluorescent assays, western blotting, and the like. A skilled artisan can readily adapt known protein/antibody detection methods for use in determining whether cells express a marker of the present invention.

A preferred agent for detecting a polypeptide of the invention is an antibody capable of binding to a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention, preferably an antibody with a detectable label. Antibodies can be polyclonal, or more preferably, monoclonal. An intact antibody, or a fragment thereof (*e.g.*, Fab or F(ab')<sub>2</sub>) can be used. The term "labeled", with regard to the probe or antibody, is intended to encompass direct labeling of the probe or antibody by coupling (*i.e.*, physically linking) a detectable substance to the probe or antibody, as well as indirect labeling of the probe or antibody by reactivity with another reagent that is directly labeled. Examples of indirect labeling include detection of a primary antibody using a fluorescently labeled secondary antibody and end-labeling of a DNA probe with biotin such that it can be detected with fluorescently labeled streptavidin.

In a preferred embodiment, the antibody is labeled, *e.g.* a radio-labeled, chromophore-labeled, fluorophore-labeled, or enzyme-labeled antibody). In another embodiment, an antibody derivative (*e.g.* an antibody conjugated with a substrate or with the protein or ligand of a protein-ligand pair {*e.g.* biotin-streptavidin} ), or an antibody fragment (*e.g.* a single-chain antibody, an isolated antibody hypervariable domain, etc.) which binds specifically with a protein corresponding to the marker, such as the protein encoded by the open reading frame corresponding to the marker or such a protein which has undergone all or a portion of its normal post-translational modification, is used.

Proteins from cells can be isolated using techniques that are well known to those of skill in the art. The protein isolation methods employed can, for example, be such as those described in Harlow and Lane (Harlow and Lane, 1988, *Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York).

5 In one format, antibodies, or antibody fragments, can be used in methods such as Western blots or immunofluorescence techniques to detect the expressed proteins. In such uses, it is generally preferable to immobilize either the antibody or proteins on a solid support. Suitable solid phase supports or carriers include any support capable of binding an antigen or an antibody. Well-known supports or carriers include glass, polystyrene,  
10 polypropylene, polyethylene, dextran, nylon, amylases, natural and modified celluloses, polyacrylamides, gabbros, and magnetite.

One skilled in the art will know many other suitable carriers for binding antibody or antigen, and will be able to adapt such support for use with the present invention. For example, protein isolated from cells can be run on a polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis and  
15 immobilized onto a solid phase support such as nitrocellulose. The support can then be washed with suitable buffers followed by treatment with the detectably labeled antibody. The solid phase support can then be washed with the buffer a second time to remove unbound antibody. The amount of bound label on the solid support can then be detected by  
20 conventional means. Means of detecting proteins using electrophoretic techniques are well known to those of skill in the art (see generally, R. Scopes (1982) *Protein Purification*, Springer-Verlag, N.Y.; Deutscher, (1990) *Methods in Enzymology Vol. 182: Guide to Protein Purification*, Academic Press, Inc., N.Y.).

In another preferred embodiment, Western blot (immunoblot) analysis is used to detect and quantify the presence of a polypeptide in the sample. This technique generally  
25 comprises separating sample proteins by gel electrophoresis on the basis of molecular weight, transferring the separated proteins to a suitable solid support, (such as a nitrocellulose filter, a nylon filter, or derivatized nylon filter), and incubating the sample with the antibodies that specifically bind a polypeptide. The anti-polypeptide antibodies specifically bind to the polypeptide on the solid support. These antibodies may be directly  
30 labeled or alternatively may be subsequently detected using labeled antibodies (e.g., labeled sheep anti-mouse antibodies) that specifically bind to the anti-polypeptide.

In a more preferred embodiment, the polypeptide is detected using an immunoassay. As used herein, an immunoassay is an assay that utilizes an antibody to specifically bind to the analyte. The immunoassay is thus characterized by detection of specific binding of a  
35 polypeptide to an anti-antibody as opposed to the use of other physical or chemical properties to isolate, target, and quantify the analyte.

The polypeptide is detected and/or quantified using any of a number of well recognized immunological binding assays (see, e.g., U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,366,241; 4,376,110;

4,517,288; and 4,837,168). For a review of the general immunoassays, see also Asai (1993) *Methods in Cell Biology Volume 37: Antibodies in Cell Biology*, Academic Press, Inc. New York; Stites & Terr (1991) *Basic and Clinical Immunology 7th Edition*.

5 Immunological binding assays (or immunoassays) typically utilize a "capture agent" to specifically bind to and often immobilize the analyte (polypeptide or subsequence). The capture agent is a moiety that specifically binds to the analyte. In a preferred embodiment, the capture agent is an antibody that specifically binds a polypeptide. The antibody (anti-peptide) may be produced by any of a number of means well known to those of skill in the art.

10 Immunoassays also often utilize a labeling agent to specifically bind to and label the binding complex formed by the capture agent and the analyte. The labeling agent may itself be one of the moieties comprising the antibody/analyte complex. Thus, the labeling agent may be a labeled polypeptide or a labeled anti-antibody. Alternatively, the labeling agent may be a third moiety, such as another antibody, that specifically binds to the  
15 antibody/polypeptide complex.

In one preferred embodiment, the labeling agent is a second human antibody bearing a label. Alternatively, the second antibody may lack a label, but it may, in turn, be bound by a labeled third antibody specific to antibodies of the species from which the second antibody is derived. The second can be modified with a detectable moiety, e.g. as  
20 biotin, to which a third labeled molecule can specifically bind, such as enzyme-labeled streptavidin.

Other proteins capable of specifically binding immunoglobulin constant regions, such as protein A or protein G may also be used as the label agent. These proteins are normal constituents of the cell walls of streptococcal bacteria. They exhibit a strong non-  
25 immunogenic reactivity with immunoglobulin constant regions from a variety of species (see, generally Kronval, et al. (1973) *J. Immunol.*, 111: 1401-1406, and Akerstrom (1985) *J. Immunol.*, 135: 2589-2542).

As indicated above, immunoassays for the detection and/or quantification of a polypeptide can take a wide variety of formats well known to those of skill in the art.

30 Preferred immunoassays for detecting a polypeptide are either competitive or noncompetitive. Noncompetitive immunoassays are assays in which the amount of captured analyte is directly measured. In one preferred "sandwich" assay, for example, the capture agent (anti-peptide antibodies) can be bound directly to a solid substrate where they are immobilized. These immobilized antibodies then capture polypeptide present in the test  
35 sample. The polypeptide thus immobilized is then bound by a labeling agent, such as a second human antibody bearing a label.

In competitive assays, the amount of analyte (polypeptide) present in the sample is measured indirectly by measuring the amount of an added (exogenous) analyte

(polypeptide) displaced (or competed away) from a capture agent (anti peptide antibody) by the analyte present in the sample. In one competitive assay, a known amount of, in this case, a polypeptide is added to the sample and the sample is then contacted with a capture agent. The amount of polypeptide bound to the antibody is inversely proportional to the  
5 concentration of polypeptide present in the sample.

In one particularly preferred embodiment, the antibody is immobilized on a solid substrate. The amount of polypeptide bound to the antibody may be determined either by measuring the amount of polypeptide present in a polypeptide/antibody complex, or alternatively by measuring the amount of remaining uncomplexed polypeptide. The amount  
10 of polypeptide may be detected by providing a labeled polypeptide.

The assays of this invention are scored (as positive or negative or quantity of polypeptide) according to standard methods well known to those of skill in the art. The particular method of scoring will depend on the assay format and choice of label. For example, a Western Blot assay can be scored by visualizing the colored product produced  
15 by the enzymatic label. A clearly visible colored band or spot at the correct molecular weight is scored as a positive result, while the absence of a clearly visible spot or band is scored as a negative. The intensity of the band or spot can provide a quantitative measure of polypeptide.

Antibodies for use in the various immunoassays described herein, can be produced  
20 as described below.

In another embodiment, level (activity) is assayed by measuring the enzymatic activity of the gene product. Methods of assaying the activity of an enzyme are well known to those of skill in the art.

*In vivo* techniques for detection of a biomarker protein include introducing into a  
25 subject a labeled antibody directed against the protein. For example, the antibody can be labeled with a radioactive marker whose presence and location in a subject can be detected by standard imaging techniques.

Certain markers identified by the methods of the invention may be secreted proteins. It is a simple matter for the skilled artisan to determine whether any particular marker  
30 protein is a secreted protein. In order to make this determination, the marker protein is expressed in, for example, a mammalian cell, preferably a human cell line, extracellular fluid is collected, and the presence or absence of the protein in the extracellular fluid is assessed (*e.g.* using a labeled antibody which binds specifically with the protein).

The following is an example of a method which can be used to detect secretion of a  
35 protein. About  $8 \times 10^5$  293T cells are incubated at 37°C in wells containing growth medium (Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium {DMEM} supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum) under a 5% (v/v) CO<sub>2</sub>, 95% air atmosphere to about 60-70% confluence. The cells are then transfected using a standard transfection mixture comprising 2

micrograms of DNA comprising an expression vector encoding the protein and 10 microliters of LipofectAMINE™ (GIBCO/BRL Catalog no. 18342-012) per well. The transfection mixture is maintained for about 5 hours, and then replaced with fresh growth medium and maintained in an air atmosphere. Each well is gently rinsed twice with  
5 DMEM which does not contain methionine or cysteine (DMEM-MC; ICN Catalog no. 16-424-54). About 1 milliliter of DMEM-MC and about 50 microcuries of Trans-<sup>35</sup>S™ reagent (ICN Catalog no. 51006) are added to each well. The wells are maintained under the 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere described above and incubated at 37°C for a selected period.

Following incubation, 150 microliters of conditioned medium is removed and centrifuged  
10 to remove floating cells and debris. The presence of the protein in the supernatant is an indication that the protein is secreted.

It will be appreciated that subject samples, *e.g.*, a sample containing tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue, may contain cells therein, particularly when the cells  
15 are cancerous, and, more particularly, when the cancer is metastasizing, and thus may be used in the methods of the present invention. The cell sample can, of course, be subjected to a variety of well-known post-collection preparative and storage techniques (*e.g.*, nucleic acid and/or protein extraction, fixation, storage, freezing, ultrafiltration, concentration, evaporation, centrifugation, *etc.*) prior to assessing the level of expression of the marker in  
20 the sample. Thus, the compositions, kits, and methods of the invention can be used to detect expression of markers corresponding to proteins having at least one portion which is displayed on the surface of cells which express it. It is a simple matter for the skilled artisan to determine whether the protein corresponding to any particular marker comprises a cell-surface protein. For example, immunological methods may be used to detect such  
25 proteins on whole cells, or well known computer-based sequence analysis methods (*e.g.* the SIGNALP program; Nielsen *et al.*, 1997, *Protein Engineering* 10:1-6) may be used to predict the presence of at least one extracellular domain (*i.e.* including both secreted proteins and proteins having at least one cell-surface domain). Expression of a marker corresponding to a protein having at least one portion which is displayed on the surface of a  
30 cell which expresses it may be detected without necessarily lysing the cell (*e.g.* using a labeled antibody which binds specifically with a cell-surface domain of the protein).

The invention also encompasses kits for detecting the presence of a polypeptide or nucleic acid corresponding to a marker of the invention in a biological sample, *e.g.*, a sample containing tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal  
35 fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue. Such kits can be used to determine if a subject is suffering from or is at increased risk of developing cancer. For example, the kit can comprise a labeled compound or agent capable of detecting a polypeptide or an mRNA encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the

invention in a biological sample and means for determining the amount of the polypeptide or mRNA in the sample (*e.g.*, an antibody which binds the polypeptide or an oligonucleotide probe which binds to DNA or mRNA encoding the polypeptide). Kits can also include instructions for interpreting the results obtained using the kit.

5 For antibody-based kits, the kit can comprise, for example: (1) a first antibody (*e.g.*, attached to a solid support) which binds to a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention; and, optionally, (2) a second, different antibody which binds to either the polypeptide or the first antibody and is conjugated to a detectable label.

10 For oligonucleotide-based kits, the kit can comprise, for example: (1) an oligonucleotide, *e.g.*, a detectably labeled oligonucleotide, which hybridizes to a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide corresponding to a marker of the invention or (2) a pair of primers useful for amplifying a nucleic acid molecule corresponding to a marker of the invention. The kit can also comprise, *e.g.*, a buffering agent, a preservative, or a protein stabilizing agent. The kit can further comprise components necessary for detecting the  
15 detectable label (*e.g.*, an enzyme or a substrate). The kit can also contain a control sample or a series of control samples which can be assayed and compared to the test sample. Each component of the kit can be enclosed within an individual container and all of the various containers can be within a single package, along with instructions for interpreting the results of the assays performed using the kit.

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#### 4. Method for Detecting Structural Alterations

The invention also provides a method for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or is at risk for developing cancer by comparing the structural alterations, *e.g.*, mutations or allelic variants, of a marker in a cancer sample with the structural alterations,  
25 *e.g.*, mutations of a marker in a normal, *e.g.*, control sample. The presence of a structural alteration, *e.g.*, mutation or allelic variant in the marker in the cancer sample is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer.

A preferred detection method is allele specific hybridization using probes overlapping the polymorphic site and having about 5, 10, 20, 25, or 30 nucleotides around  
30 the polymorphic region. In a preferred embodiment of the invention, several probes capable of hybridizing specifically to allelic variants are attached to a solid phase support, *e.g.*, a "chip". Oligonucleotides can be bound to a solid support by a variety of processes, including lithography. For example a chip can hold up to 250,000 oligonucleotides (GeneChip, Affymetrix™). Mutation detection analysis using these chips comprising  
35 oligonucleotides, also termed "DNA probe arrays" is described *e.g.*, in Cronin *et al.* (1996) Human Mutation 7:244. In one embodiment, a chip comprises all the allelic variants of at least one polymorphic region of a gene. The solid phase support is then contacted with a test nucleic acid and hybridization to the specific probes is detected. Accordingly, the

identity of numerous allelic variants of one or more genes can be identified in a simple hybridization experiment. For example, the identity of the allelic variant of the nucleotide polymorphism in the 5' upstream regulatory element can be determined in a single hybridization experiment.

5 In other detection methods, it is necessary to first amplify at least a portion of a marker prior to identifying the allelic variant. Amplification can be performed, *e.g.*, by PCR and/or LCR (see Wu and Wallace (1989) *Genomics* 4:560), according to methods known in the art. In one embodiment, genomic DNA of a cell is exposed to two PCR  
10 primers and amplification for a number of cycles sufficient to produce the required amount of amplified DNA. In preferred embodiments, the primers are located between 150 and 350 base pairs apart.

Alternative amplification methods include: self sustained sequence replication (Guatelli, J.C. *et al.*, (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87:1874-1878), transcriptional  
15 amplification system (Kwoh, D.Y. *et al.*, (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:1173-1177), Q-Beta Replicase (Lizardi, P.M. *et al.*, (1988) *Bio/Technology* 6:1197), and self-sustained sequence replication (Guatelli *et al.*, (1989) *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci.* 87:1874), and nucleic acid based sequence amplification (NABSA), or any other nucleic acid amplification method, followed by the detection of the amplified molecules using techniques well known to those of skill in the art. These detection schemes are especially useful for the detection  
20 of nucleic acid molecules if such molecules are present in very low numbers.

In one embodiment, any of a variety of sequencing reactions known in the art can be used to directly sequence at least a portion of a marker and detect allelic variants, *e.g.*, mutations, by comparing the sequence of the sample sequence with the corresponding reference (control) sequence. Exemplary sequencing reactions include those based on  
25 techniques developed by Maxam and Gilbert (*Proc. Natl Acad Sci USA* (1977) 74:560) or Sanger (Sanger *et al.* (1977) *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci* 74:5463). It is also contemplated that any of a variety of automated sequencing procedures may be utilized when performing the subject assays (*Biotechniques* (1995) 19:448), including sequencing by mass spectrometry (see, for example, U.S. Patent Number 5,547,835 and international patent application  
30 Publication Number WO 94/16101, entitled *DNA Sequencing by Mass Spectrometry* by H. Köster; U.S. Patent Number 5,547,835 and international patent application Publication Number WO 94/21822 entitled "DNA Sequencing by Mass Spectrometry Via Exonuclease Degradation" by H. Köster), and U.S Patent Number 5,605,798 and International Patent Application No. PCT/US96/03651 entitled *DNA Diagnostics Based on Mass Spectrometry*  
35 by H. Köster; Cohen *et al.* (1996) *Adv Chromatogr* 36:127-162; and Griffin *et al.* (1993) *Appl Biochem Biotechnol* 38:147-159). It will be evident to one skilled in the art that, for certain embodiments, the occurrence of only one, two or three of the nucleic acid bases

need be determined in the sequencing reaction. For instance, A-track or the like, *e.g.*, where only one nucleotide is detected, can be carried out.

Yet other sequencing methods are disclosed, *e.g.*, in U.S. Patent Number 5,580,732 entitled "Method of DNA sequencing employing a mixed DNA-polymer chain probe" and  
5 U.S. Patent Number 5,571,676 entitled "Method for mismatch-directed *in vitro* DNA sequencing."

In some cases, the presence of a specific allele of a marker in DNA from a subject can be shown by restriction enzyme analysis. For example, a specific nucleotide polymorphism can result in a nucleotide sequence comprising a restriction site which is  
10 absent from the nucleotide sequence of another allelic variant.

In a further embodiment, protection from cleavage agents (such as a nuclease, hydroxylamine or osmium tetroxide and with piperidine) can be used to detect mismatched bases in RNA/RNA DNA/DNA, or RNA/DNA heteroduplexes (Myers, *et al.* (1985) *Science* 230:1242). In general, the technique of "mismatch cleavage" starts by providing  
15 heteroduplexes formed by hybridizing a control nucleic acid, which is optionally labeled, *e.g.*, RNA or DNA, comprising a nucleotide sequence of a marker allelic variant with a sample nucleic acid, *e.g.*, RNA or DNA, obtained from a tissue sample. The double-stranded duplexes are treated with an agent which cleaves single-stranded regions of the duplex such as duplexes formed based on basepair mismatches between the control and  
20 sample strands. For instance, RNA/DNA duplexes can be treated with RNase and DNA/DNA hybrids treated with S1 nuclease to enzymatically digest the mismatched regions. In other embodiments, either DNA/DNA or RNA/DNA duplexes can be treated with hydroxylamine or osmium tetroxide and with piperidine in order to digest mismatched regions. After digestion of the mismatched regions, the resulting material is then separated  
25 by size on denaturing polyacrylamide gels to determine whether the control and sample nucleic acids have an identical nucleotide sequence or in which nucleotides they are different. See, for example, Cotton *et al* (1988) *Proc. Natl Acad Sci USA* 85:4397; Saleeba *et al* (1992) *Methods Enzymol.* 217:286-295. In a preferred embodiment, the control or sample nucleic acid is labeled for detection.

In another embodiment, an allelic variant can be identified by denaturing high-performance liquid chromatography (DHPLC) (Oefner and Underhill, (1995) *Am. J. Human Gen.* 57:Suppl. A266). DHPLC uses reverse-phase ion-pairing chromatography to detect the heteroduplexes that are generated during amplification of PCR fragments from individuals who are heterozygous at a particular nucleotide locus within that fragment  
30 (Oefner and Underhill (1995) *Am. J. Human Gen.* 57:Suppl. A266). In general, PCR products are produced using PCR primers flanking the DNA of interest. DHPLC analysis is carried out and the resulting chromatograms are analyzed to identify base pair alterations  
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or deletions based on specific chromatographic profiles (see O'Donovan *et al.* (1998) *Genomics* 52:44-49).

In other embodiments, alterations in electrophoretic mobility is used to identify the type of marker allelic variant. For example, single strand conformation polymorphism (SSCP) may be used to detect differences in electrophoretic mobility between mutant and wild type nucleic acids (Orita *et al.* (1989) *Proc Natl. Acad. Sci USA* 86:2766, see also Cotton (1993) *Mutat Res* 285:125-144; and Hayashi (1992) *Genet Anal Tech Appl* 9:73-79). Single-stranded DNA fragments of sample and control nucleic acids are denatured and allowed to renature. The secondary structure of single-stranded nucleic acids varies according to sequence, the resulting alteration in electrophoretic mobility enables the detection of even a single base change. The DNA fragments may be labeled or detected with labeled probes. The sensitivity of the assay may be enhanced by using RNA (rather than DNA), in which the secondary structure is more sensitive to a change in sequence. In another preferred embodiment, the subject method utilizes heteroduplex analysis to separate double stranded heteroduplex molecules on the basis of changes in electrophoretic mobility (Keen *et al.* (1991) *Trends Genet* 7:5).

In yet another embodiment, the identity of an allelic variant of a polymorphic region is obtained by analyzing the movement of a nucleic acid comprising the polymorphic region in polyacrylamide gels containing a gradient of denaturant is assayed using denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis (DGGE) (Myers *et al.* (1985) *Nature* 313:495). When DGGE is used as the method of analysis, DNA will be modified to insure that it does not completely denature, for example by adding a GC clamp of approximately 40 bp of high-melting GC-rich DNA by PCR. In a further embodiment, a temperature gradient is used in place of a denaturing agent gradient to identify differences in the mobility of control and sample DNA (Rosenbaum and Reissner (1987) *Biophys Chem* 265:1275).

Examples of techniques for detecting differences of at least one nucleotide between two nucleic acids include, but are not limited to, selective oligonucleotide hybridization, selective amplification, or selective primer extension. For example, oligonucleotide probes may be prepared in which the known polymorphic nucleotide is placed centrally (allele-specific probes) and then hybridized to target DNA under conditions which permit hybridization only if a perfect match is found (Saiki *et al.* (1986) *Nature* 324:163); Saiki *et al.* (1989) *Proc. Natl Acad. Sci USA* 86:6230; and Wallace *et al.* (1979) *Nucl. Acids Res.* 6:3543). Such allele specific oligonucleotide hybridization techniques may be used for the simultaneous detection of several nucleotide changes in different polymorphic regions of marker. For example, oligonucleotides having nucleotide sequences of specific allelic variants are attached to a hybridizing membrane and this membrane is then hybridized with

labeled sample nucleic acid. Analysis of the hybridization signal will then reveal the identity of the nucleotides of the sample nucleic acid.

Alternatively, allele specific amplification technology which depends on selective PCR amplification may be used in conjunction with the instant invention. Oligonucleotides used as primers for specific amplification may carry the allelic variant of interest in the center of the molecule (so that amplification depends on differential hybridization) (Gibbs *et al* (1989) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 17:2437-2448) or at the extreme 3' end of one primer where, under appropriate conditions, mismatch can prevent, or reduce polymerase extension (Prossner (1993) *Tibtech* 11:238; Newton *et al.* (1989) *Nucl. Acids Res.* 17:2503). This technique is also termed "PROBE" for Probe Oligo Base Extension. In addition it may be desirable to introduce a novel restriction site in the region of the mutation to create cleavage-based detection (Gasparini *et al* (1992) *Mol. Cell Probes* 6:1).

In another embodiment, identification of the allelic variant is carried out using an oligonucleotide ligation assay (OLA), as described, *e.g.*, in U.S. Patent Number 4,998,617 and in Landegren, U. *et al.*, (1988) *Science* 241:1077-1080. The OLA protocol uses two oligonucleotides which are designed to be capable of hybridizing to abutting sequences of a single strand of a target. One of the oligonucleotides is linked to a separation marker, *e.g.*, biotinylated, and the other is detectably labeled. If the precise complementary sequence is found in a target molecule, the oligonucleotides will hybridize such that their termini abut, and create a ligation substrate. Ligation then permits the labeled oligonucleotide to be recovered using avidin, or another biotin ligand. Nickerson, D. A. *et al.* have described a nucleic acid detection assay that combines attributes of PCR and OLA (Nickerson, D. A. *et al.*, (1990) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (U.S.A.)* 87:8923-8927. In this method, PCR is used to achieve the exponential amplification of target DNA, which is then detected using OLA.

The invention further provides methods for detecting single nucleotide polymorphisms in a marker. Because single nucleotide polymorphisms constitute sites of variation flanked by regions of invariant sequence, their analysis requires no more than the determination of the identity of the single nucleotide present at the site of variation and it is unnecessary to determine a complete gene sequence for each subject. Several methods have been developed to facilitate the analysis of such single nucleotide polymorphisms.

In one embodiment, the single base polymorphism can be detected by using a specialized exonuclease-resistant nucleotide, as disclosed, *e.g.*, in Mundy, C. R. (U.S. Patent Number 4,656,127). According to the method, a primer complementary to the allelic sequence immediately 3' to the polymorphic site is permitted to hybridize to a target molecule obtained from a particular animal or human. If the polymorphic site on the target molecule contains a nucleotide that is complementary to the particular exonuclease-resistant nucleotide derivative present, then that derivative will be incorporated onto the end of the hybridized primer. Such incorporation renders the primer resistant to exonuclease, and

thereby permits its detection. Since the identity of the exonuclease-resistant derivative of the sample is known, a finding that the primer has become resistant to exonucleases reveals that the nucleotide present in the polymorphic site of the target molecule was complementary to that of the nucleotide derivative used in the reaction. This method has the advantage that it does not require the determination of large amounts of extraneous sequence data.

In another embodiment of the invention, a solution-based method is used for determining the identity of the nucleotide of a polymorphic site. Cohen, D. *et al.* (French Patent 2,650,840; PCT Appln. No. WO91/02087). As in the Mundy method of U.S. Patent Number 4,656,127, a primer is employed that is complementary to allelic sequences immediately 3' to a polymorphic site. The method determines the identity of the nucleotide of that site using labeled dideoxynucleotide derivatives, which, if complementary to the nucleotide of the polymorphic site will become incorporated onto the terminus of the primer.

An alternative method, known as Genetic Bit Analysis or GBA™ is described by Goelet, P. *et al.* (PCT Appln. No. 92/15712). The method of Goelet, P. *et al.* uses mixtures of labeled terminators and a primer that is complementary to the sequence 3' to a polymorphic site. The labeled terminator that is incorporated is thus determined by, and complementary to, the nucleotide present in the polymorphic site of the target molecule being evaluated. In contrast to the method of Cohen *et al.* (French Patent 2,650,840; PCT Appln. No. WO91/02087) the method of Goelet, P. *et al.* is preferably a heterogeneous phase assay, in which the primer or the target molecule is immobilized to a solid phase.

Several primer-guided nucleotide incorporation procedures for assaying polymorphic sites in DNA have been described (Komher, J. S. *et al.*, (1989) *Nucl. Acids Res.* 17:7779-7784; Sokolov, B. P., (1990) *Nucl. Acids Res.* 18:3671; Syvanen, A. -C., *et al.*, (1990) *Genomics* 8:684-692; Kuppuswamy, M. N. *et al.*, (1991) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (U.S.A.)* 88:1143-1147; Prezant, T. R. *et al.*, (1992) *Hum. Mutat.* 1:159-164; Ugozzoli, L. *et al.*, (1992) *GATA* 9:107-112; Nyren, P. (1993) *et al.*, *Anal. Biochem.* 208:171-175). These methods differ from GBA™ in that they all rely on the incorporation of labeled deoxynucleotides to discriminate between bases at a polymorphic site. In such a format, since the signal is proportional to the number of deoxynucleotides incorporated, polymorphisms that occur in runs of the same nucleotide can result in signals that are proportional to the length of the run (Syvanen, A.C., *et al.*, (1993) *Amer. J. Hum. Genet.* 52:46-59).

For determining the identity of the allelic variant of a polymorphic region located in the coding region of a marker, yet other methods than those described above can be used. For example, identification of an allelic variant which encodes a mutated marker can be performed by using an antibody specifically recognizing the mutant protein in, *e.g.*,

immunohistochemistry or immunoprecipitation. Antibodies to wild-type marker or mutated forms of markers can be prepared according to methods known in the art.

Alternatively, one can also measure an activity of a marker, such as binding to a marker ligand. Binding assays are known in the art and involve, *e.g.*, obtaining cells from a subject, and performing binding experiments with a labeled ligand, to determine whether binding to the mutated form of the protein differs from binding to the wild-type of the protein.

### **B. Pharmacogenomics**

Agents or modulators which have a stimulatory or inhibitory effect on amount and/or activity of a marker of the invention can be administered to individuals to treat (prophylactically or therapeutically) cancer in the subject. In conjunction with such treatment, the pharmacogenomics (*i.e.*, the study of the relationship between an individual's genotype and that individual's response to a foreign compound or drug) of the individual may be considered. Differences in metabolism of therapeutics can lead to severe toxicity or therapeutic failure by altering the relation between dose and blood concentration of the pharmacologically active drug. Thus, the pharmacogenomics of the individual permits the selection of effective agents (*e.g.*, drugs) for prophylactic or therapeutic treatments based on a consideration of the individual's genotype. Such pharmacogenomics can further be used to determine appropriate dosages and therapeutic regimens. Accordingly, the amount, structure, and/or activity of the invention in an individual can be determined to thereby select appropriate agent(s) for therapeutic or prophylactic treatment of the individual.

Pharmacogenomics deals with clinically significant variations in the response to drugs due to altered drug disposition and abnormal action in affected persons. See, *e.g.*, Linder (1997) *Clin. Chem.* 43(2):254-266. In general, two types of pharmacogenetic conditions can be differentiated. Genetic conditions transmitted as a single factor altering the way drugs act on the body are referred to as "altered drug action." Genetic conditions transmitted as single factors altering the way the body acts on drugs are referred to as "altered drug metabolism". These pharmacogenetic conditions can occur either as rare defects or as polymorphisms. For example, glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD) deficiency is a common inherited enzymopathy in which the main clinical complication is hemolysis after ingestion of oxidant drugs (anti-malarials, sulfonamides, analgesics, nitrofurans) and consumption of fava beans.

As an illustrative embodiment, the activity of drug metabolizing enzymes is a major determinant of both the intensity and duration of drug action. The discovery of genetic polymorphisms of drug metabolizing enzymes (*e.g.*, N-acetyltransferase 2 (NAT 2) and cytochrome P450 enzymes CYP2D6 and CYP2C19) has provided an explanation as to why some subjects do not obtain the expected drug effects or show exaggerated drug response

and serious toxicity after taking the standard and safe dose of a drug. These polymorphisms are expressed in two phenotypes in the population, the extensive metabolizer (EM) and poor metabolizer (PM). The prevalence of PM is different among different populations. For example, the gene coding for CYP2D6 is highly polymorphic and several mutations  
5 have been identified in PM, which all lead to the absence of functional CYP2D6. Poor metabolizers of CYP2D6 and CYP2C19 quite frequently experience exaggerated drug response and side effects when they receive standard doses. If a metabolite is the active therapeutic moiety, a PM will show no therapeutic response, as demonstrated for the analgesic effect of codeine mediated by its CYP2D6-formed metabolite morphine. The  
10 other extreme are the so called ultra-rapid metabolizers who do not respond to standard doses. Recently, the molecular basis of ultra-rapid metabolism has been identified to be due to CYP2D6 gene amplification.

Thus, the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker of the invention in an individual can be determined to thereby select appropriate agent(s) for therapeutic or  
15 prophylactic treatment of the individual. In addition, pharmacogenetic studies can be used to apply genotyping of polymorphic alleles encoding drug-metabolizing enzymes to the identification of an individual's drug responsiveness phenotype. This knowledge, when applied to dosing or drug selection, can avoid adverse reactions or therapeutic failure and thus enhance therapeutic or prophylactic efficiency when treating a subject with a  
20 modulator of amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker of the invention.

### C. Monitoring Clinical Trials

Monitoring the influence of agents (*e.g.*, drug compounds) on amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker of the invention can be applied not only in basic drug screening,  
25 but also in clinical trials. For example, the effectiveness of an agent to affect marker amount, structure, and/or activity can be monitored in clinical trials of subjects receiving treatment for cancer. In a preferred embodiment, the present invention provides a method for monitoring the effectiveness of treatment of a subject with an agent (*e.g.*, an agonist, antagonist, peptidomimetic, protein, peptide, antibody, nucleic acid, antisense nucleic acid,  
30 ribozyme, small molecule, RNA interfering agent, or other drug candidate) comprising the steps of (i) obtaining a pre-administration sample from a subject prior to administration of the agent; (ii) detecting the amount, structure, and/or activity of one or more selected markers of the invention in the pre-administration sample; (iii) obtaining one or more post-administration samples from the subject; (iv) detecting the amount, structure, and/or  
35 activity of the marker(s) in the post-administration samples; (v) comparing the level of expression of the marker(s) in the pre-administration sample with the amount, structure, and/or activity of the marker(s) in the post-administration sample or samples; and (vi) altering the administration of the agent to the subject accordingly. For example, increased

administration of the agent can be desirable to increase amount and/or activity of the marker(s) to higher levels than detected, *i.e.*, to increase the effectiveness of the agent. Alternatively, decreased administration of the agent can be desirable to decrease amount and/or activity of the marker(s) to lower levels than detected, *i.e.*, to decrease the effectiveness of the agent.

### Examples

This invention is further illustrated by the following examples which should not be construed as limiting. The contents of all references, figures, Sequence Listing, patents and published patent applications cited throughout this application are hereby incorporated by reference.

#### EXAMPLE 1

##### **A. Materials and Methods**

###### ***Primary Tumors and Cell Lines***

All cell lines were acquired from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) or the German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures (DSMZ). All fresh-frozen specimens of primary pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma were obtained from the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center tumor bank and histology was confirmed by hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) staining prior to inclusion in the study (Table 2). Table 2 lists the cell lines analyzed by array-CGH and expression profiling in the study.

###### ***Array-CGH profiling on cDNA microarrays***

Genomic DNA was fragmented and random-prime labeled according to published protocol (Pollack, J. R., et al. (1999) *Nat Genet* 23, 41-6) with modifications. Labeled DNAs were hybridized to human cDNA microarrays containing 14,160 cDNA clones (Agilent Technologies<sup>TM</sup>, Human 1 clone set), for which approximately 9,420 unique map positions were defined (NCBI, Build 33). The median interval between mapped elements is 100.1 kilobase, 92.8% of intervals are less than 1 megabase, and 98.6% are less than 3 megabases.

Fluorescence ratios of scanned images of the arrays were calculated and the raw array-CGH profiles were processed to identify statistically significant transitions in copy number using a segmentation algorithm which employs permutation to determine the significance of change points in the raw data (Olshen, A. B., and Venkatraman, E. S. (2002) *ASA Proceedings of the Joint Statistical Meetings*, 2530-2535; Ginzinger, D. G. (2002) *Exp Hematol* 30, 503-12). Each segment was assigned a Log<sub>2</sub> ratio that is the median of the

contained probes. The data was centered by the tallest mode in the distribution of the segmented values. After mode-centering, gains and losses were defined as  $\text{Log}_2$  ratios of greater than or equal to +0.13 or -0.13 (+/- 4 standard deviations of the middle 50% quantile of data), and amplification and deletion as ratio greater than 0.52 or less than -0.58, respectively (i.e., 97% or 3% quantiles) (Figure 4).

### ***Automated locus definition***

Loci were defined by an automated algorithm applied to the segmented data based on the following rules:

- 10           1.       Segments above 97<sup>th</sup> percentile or below 3<sup>rd</sup> percentile were identified as altered.
2.       If two or more altered segments are adjacent in a single profile or separated by less than 500KB, the entire region spanned by the segments was considered to be an altered span.
- 15           3.       Highly altered segments or spans that were shorter than 20MB were retained as "informative spans" for defining discrete locus boundaries. Longer regions were not discarded, but were not included in defining locus boundaries.
4.       Informative spans were compared across samples to identify overlapping groups of positive-value or negative-value segments; each group defined a locus.
- 20           5.       Minimal common regions (MCRs) were defined as contiguous spans having at least 75% of the peak recurrence as calculated by counting the occurrence of highly altered segments. If two MCRs were separated by a gap of only one probe position, they were joined. If there were more than 3 MCRs in a locus, the whole region was reported as a single complex MCR.

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### ***MCR Characterization***

For each MCR, the peak segment value was identified. Recurrence of gain or loss was calculated across all samples based on the lower thresholds previously defined (~ +/- 0.13). As an additional measure of recurrence independent of thresholds for segment value or length, Median Aberration (MA) was calculated for each probe position by taking the median of all segment values above zero for amplified regions, below zero for deleted regions. This pair of values was compared to the distribution of values obtained after permuting the probe labels independently in each sample profile. Where the magnitude of the MA exceeds 95% of the permuted averages, the region was marked as significantly gained or lost, and this was used in the voting system for prioritization. The number of known genes and GENSCAN model predicted genes were counted based on the April 2003 human assembly at UCSC (genome.ucsc.edu).

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### ***QPCR verification***

PCR primers were designed to amplify products of 100-150bp within target and control sequences. Primers for control sequences in each cell line were designed within a region of euploid copy number as shown by array-CGH analysis. Quantitative PCR was performed by monitoring in real-time the increase in fluorescence of SYBR Green dye (Qiagen™) with an ABI 7700 sequence detection system (Perkin Elmer Life Sciences™). Relative gene copy number was calculated by the comparative  $C_t$  method (Ginzinger, D. G. (2002) *Exp Hematol* 30, 503-12).

### ***Expression Profiling on Affymetrix GeneChip™***

Biotinylated target cRNA was generated from total sample RNA and hybridized to human oligonucleotide probe arrays (U133A, Affymetrix™, Santa Clara, CA) according to standard protocols (Golub, T. R., *et al.* (1999) *Science* 286, 531-7). Expression values for each gene were standardized by Log2 ratio to a middle value for the sample set, defined as the midpoint between 25% and 75% quantiles, and were mapped to genomic positions based on NCBI Build 33 of the human genome.

### ***Integrated copy number and expression analysis***

Array-CGH data was interpolated such that each expression value can be mapped to its corresponding copy number value. In order to maximize detection of focal CNAs, two separate interpolations were calculated: one selecting the higher bounding CGH probe and one choosing the lower. For each gene position, the samples were grouped based on whether array-CGH shows altered copy number or not based on interpolated CGH value. The effect of gene dosage on expression was measured by calculating a gene weight defined as the difference of the means of the expression value in the altered and unaltered sample groups divided by the sum of the standard deviations of the expression values in altered and unaltered sample groups (Hyman, E., *et al.* (2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 6240-5). The significance of the weight for each gene was estimated by permuting the sample labels 10,000 times and applying an alpha threshold of 0.05.

## **B. Results**

### ***Comprehensive catalogue of CNAs in the pancreatic adenocarcinoma genome***

From a total of 75 primary pancreatic tumor specimens, 13 samples were identified that possessed greater than 60% neoplastic cellularity. Genomic DNAs from these primary tumor samples, along with DNAs derived from 24 established pancreatic cancer cell lines, *e.g.*, pancreatic adenocarcinoma cell lines (Table 2), were subjected to genome-wide array-CGH profiling using a cDNA-based array platform that offers a median resolution of 100 kB. To facilitate identification of significant copy number events in these array-CGH

profiles, a modified version of the circular binary segmentation methodology developed by Olshen and colleagues was employed (Olshen, A. B., and Venkatraman, E. S. (2002) *ASA Proceedings of the Joint Statistical Meetings* 2530-2535; Ginzinger, D. G. (2002) *Exp Hematol* 30, 503-12; Golub, T. R., *et al.* (1999) *Science* 286, 531-7; Hyman, E., *et al.* (2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 6240-5; Lucito, R., *et al.* (2003) *Genome Res* 13, 2291-305). This algorithm applies nonparametric statistical testing to identify and distinguish discrete copy number transition points from chance noise events in the primary dataset. As shown in Figure 1A, the segmented array-CGH profiles readily identified large regional changes that are typically of low amplitude, hereafter referred to as 'gain' or 'loss'. Similarly, focal high amplitude alterations representing 'amplification' or 'deletion' are evident in both primary tumor specimens and tumor cell lines (Figure 1). Recurrence frequencies of the CNAs reported here match the frequencies described in the published literature (Solinas-Toldo, S., *et al.* (1996) *Cancer Res* 56, 3803-7; Mahlamaki, E. H., *et al.* (1997) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 20, 383-91; Mahlamaki, E. H., *et al.* (2002) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 35, 353-8; Fukushige, S., *et al.* (1997) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 19:161-9; Curtis, L. J., *et al.* (1998) *Genomics* 53, 42-55; Ghadimi, B. M., *et al.* (1999) *Am J Pathol* 154, 525-36; Armengol, G., *et al.* (2000) *Cancer Genet Cytogenet* 116, 133-41) (Figure 1B). There is also strong concordance between primary tumors and cell lines with respect to gains on 3q, 8q and 20q and losses on 1p, 3p, 6q, 9p, 17p and 18q (see Figure 5 and Figure 6). However, some differences were evident between primary tumor and cell line datasets and are likely attributable to the cellular heterogeneity within primary tumor samples and/or culture-induced genetic adaptation in the cell lines.

The identification of many novel CNAs, along with the high degree of structural complexity within each CNA, prompted the implementation of objective criteria to define and prioritize CNAs across the dataset. To that end, a locus-identification algorithm was developed that defines informative CNAs on the basis of size and achievement of a high significance threshold for the amplitude of change. Overlapping CNAs from multiple profiles are then merged in an automated fashion to define a discrete "locus" of regional copy number change, the bounds of which represent the combined physical extent of these overlapping CNAs (Figure 1C). Each locus is characterized by a peak profile, the width and amplitude of which reflect the contour of the most prominent amplification or deletion for that locus. Furthermore, within each locus, one or more minimal common region (MCRs) can be identified across multiple tumor samples (Figure 1C), with each MCR potentially harboring a distinct cancer-relevant gene targeted for copy number alteration across the sample set.

The locus identification algorithm is highly effective in delineating more discrete CNAs within previously described larger regions of gain or loss. For example, chromosome 6q has been reported as one of the most frequently deleted regions in pancreatic

adenocarcinoma, but no validated tumor suppressor gene has yet been assigned to this locus. Analysis of 6q loss in the dataset presented herein has identified 5 distinct MCRs that range in size from 2.4 to 12.8 Mb, raising the possibility that there may be multiple targets for 6q loss. Notably, two of these MCRs (Table 3, Locus #75 and #76) coincide with previously identified regions of common allelic loss (Abe, T., *et al.* (1999) *Genes Chromosomes Cancer* 25, 60-4), an observation that provides further validation for the analytical approach described herein.

### *Selection of high-priority loci*

The above locus-identification algorithm defined 287 discrete MCRs (from 256 independent autosomal loci) within this dataset and annotated each in terms of recurrence, amplitude of change and representation in both cell lines and primary tumors. Based upon extensive experience with this platform across many tumor types, recurrence across multiple independent samples and high amplitude signals are the two features most predictive of verification by independent assays. Hence, these discrete MCRs were prioritized based on four criteria that include (1) recurrence of high-threshold amplification or deletion (above 97<sup>th</sup> percentile or below 3<sup>rd</sup> percentile) in at least two specimens, (2) presence of a high-threshold event in at least one primary tumor specimen, (3) statistically significant Median Aberration (see M&M), and (4) a peak amplitude of equal to or greater than absolute Log<sub>2</sub> value of 0.8 in either a cell line or primary tumor (beyond 0.5% quantiles).

Implementation of this prioritization scheme yielded 64 MCRs within 54 independent loci that satisfied at least three of the four criteria (Table 1). In Table 1, the high-confidence recurrent CNAs in pancreatic adenocarcinoma are depicted. For each MCR, the numbers of known (“K”) and predicted (“P”) (GenScan) transcripts (“Trspt”) are indicated. Of these, some are represented on Affymetrix<sup>TM</sup> U133A chip (“Total”), a subset of which show statistical significance ( $p < 0.05$ ) for copy number correlation (“Sig”). MCR recurrence is denoted as percentage of the total dataset. The numbers of primary tumors (T) or cell lines (C) with gain or loss, and amplification or deletion, are listed, respectively. Candidate genes within a locus for which there is literature support for involvement in pancreatic cancer are listed. Black diamonds denote the loci where the peak did not fall within a defined MCR. MCRs in bold have been validated by QPCR. Notably, genes known to play important roles in the pathogenesis of pancreatic adenocarcinoma – the p16<sup>INK4A</sup> and TP53 tumor suppressors and the MYC, KRAS2 and AKT2 oncogenes – were present within these high-confidence loci (Table 1). Within the prioritized MCRs, there was an average recurrence rate for gain/loss of 38% across the entire dataset and the maxima or minima absolute Log<sub>2</sub> values for 34 of these 64 MCRs are greater than 1.0, placing them significantly above the threshold defined for amplification or deletion (Figure

4). In the majority of cases, the peak profile of a locus coincided with one of the MCRs (47 of 54 Loci, Table 1) (Albertson, D. G., *et al.* (2000) *Nat Genet* 25, 144-6). The median size of these 64 prioritized MCRs is 2.7 Mb, with 21 MCRs (33%) spanning 1 Mb or less (Table 1). Residing within these 21 highly focal MCRs with a median size of 0.33 Mb, there are  
5 on average 15 annotated and 8 GENSCAN predicted genes, rendering them highly attractive for target identification.

The confidence-level ascribed to these prioritized loci was further validated by real-time quantitative PCR (QPCR), which demonstrated 100% concordance with 16 selected MCRs defined by array-CGH (Table 1). For example, the MCR of an amplified locus at  
10 7q21.11-7q32.2 was readily confirmed by QPCR (Figure 2A). Furthermore, QPCR analyses also verified the structural details of complex CNAs reported by array-CGH. As shown in Figure 2B, QPCR precisely mirrored each component of the complex 9p21 locus in HUP-T3, including homozygous deletion of p16<sup>INK4A</sup>, the known target for this CNA. Such detailed structural information will prove useful in dissecting the mechanisms responsible  
15 for the genesis of these cancer-associated chromosomal aberrations.

When high-priority MCRs in Table 1 were combined with an additional 81 moderate-priority MCRs (within 66 distinct loci) satisfying 2 out of 4 criteria, a genomic characterization produced a list of 145 MCRs within 121 independent loci (Table 3). Table 3 shows the combined list of 145 MCRs in 121 independent loci, including 64 high-  
20 confidence MCRs ( $\geq 3$  votes) and 81 moderate-priority (2 votes) MCRs, that were prioritized by the automated algorithm as described herein. Each locus is assigned to a cytogenetic band, while the actual extent of the locus is defined more precisely by its physical location on the chromosome (in Mb) (NCBI, Built 33). The overall contour of the locus is reflected by the maxima/minima profile, which defines the most prominent point of  
25 amplification or deletion within the locus by its width (defined in physical Mb) and amplitude. Each locus is further defined by one or more Minimal Common Regions (MCRs), depending on the cytogenetic complexity of the locus. Each MCR is defined in a similar manner. In addition, the number of known and predicted (GENSCAN) transcripts as well as the total number of Affymetrix-represented genes and those with p-value  $< 0.05$   
30 are shown for each MCR. MCR recurrence is denoted as percentage of the total dataset. The number of primary tumors (T) or cell lines (C) with gain or loss (90% and 10% quantiles, respectively) is listed. Furthermore, the subset of these tumors with gain/loss that meet the threshold for amplification or deletion (97% and 3% quantiles, respectively) are also indicated. The boundaries of the MCRs of each locus have been defined based on  
35 conservative parameters.

***Integrated analysis of copy number and expression information.***

Copy number aberrations and their associated impact on gene expression patterns represent a common mechanism of oncogene activation and tumor suppressor inactivation. Indeed, integration of copy number and transcriptional profile datasets revealed a consistent influence of gene dosage on mRNA expression globally across the genome (Figure 6) (Hyman, E., *et al.* (2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 6240-5; Pollack, J. R., *et al.* (2002) *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A* 99, 12963-8). Conversely, as previously demonstrated (Platzer, P., *et al.* (2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 1134-8), only a subset of genes within any given CNA show copy-number-driven expression changes – a feature that provides a first-pass means of distinguishing bystanders from potential cancer gene targets within the CNA. As a case in point, a novel locus of amplification on chromosome 17 in the cell line Hup-T3 (Locus # 21, Table 1) contains 455 genes of which 151 are present on the Affymetrix U133A array. Of these 151 genes, only 19 exhibited increased transcript levels above 2-fold. Moreover, these 19 genes reside within the peak of this locus (Figure 3A). Similar correlations can be established in regions of deletion. For example, the 9p21 deletion locus in the BxPC-3 cell line demonstrated that only 5 out of 91 genes residing within the MCR show undetectable or decreased expression below 2-fold (Figure 3B). Examination of p16<sup>INK4A</sup>, the known target for deletion, across the entire sample set shows that 11 of 24 cell lines show low or absent expression, of which 5 showed homozygous deletion while the remaining 6 were present at the DNA level (Figure 3C). In the latter, epigenetic silencing is the presumed mechanism of p16<sup>INK4a</sup> inactivation.

In many cancer types, including pancreatic adenocarcinoma, the true cell-of-origin remains unknown and thus a premalignant physiological frame-of-reference is not available. In the examples above, a model for interfacing copy number and expression profiles by midpoint-centering the expression data and calculating a weighted statistic for assignment of significance values to genes with correlated copy number and expression was applied (Golub, T. R., *et al.* (1999) *Science* 286, 531-7; Hyman, E., *et al.* (2002) *Cancer Res* 62, 6240-5) (see M&M). Using this approach, the genes residing within the 64 high-confidence MCRs (Table 1) were prioritized based on the correlation of their expression with gene dosage. While only a subset of genes are represented, the Affymetrix<sup>TM</sup> U133A array permitted inclusion of 1,926 genes out of a total of 4,742 genes residing within these MCRs for this analysis. By weighing each of these 1,926 genes based on the magnitude of its expression alteration and its representation within CNAs across the dataset, the integrated copy number and expression analysis yielded a list of 603 genes that show a statistically significant association between gene copy number and mRNA expression ( $p < 0.05$ , Tables 4 and 5). Tables 4 and 5 show the genes located within high-priority MCRs (Table 1) and having highly significant correlation between gene expression and gene dosage ( $p < 0.05$ ). The chromosome, physical position in Mb, Gene Weight (see M&M)

and p-value are listed. Affymetrix probe(s) number(s) corresponding to each GenBank Accession Number ("GI" Number) and UniGene ID are listed, along with SEQ ID NOs for each nucleic acid and protein sequence. P-Values were calculated by permutation analysis of a gene weight statistic. Of these, 336 are located within regions of amplifications and 267 within regions of deletions. Importantly, among these 603 genes were known pancreatic cancer genes such as MYC (13), p16<sup>INK4A</sup> (Rozenblum, E., *et al.* (1997) *Cancer Res* 57, 1731-4; Caldas, C., *et al.* (1994) *Nat Genet* 8, 27-32) and DUSP6 (Furukawa, T., *et al.* (2003) *Am J Pathol* 162, 1807-15 ) (Tables 4 and 5), thus reinforcing the value of integrating both copy number and expression information.

While incomplete representation of known and predicted genes on the Affymetrix U133A expression array precluded assessment of all possible target genes, the complementary analysis of array-CGH and expression profiles presented herein serves to prioritize the list of available cancer gene candidates and provides a basis for focus on a subset of high-probability candidates. In addition, integrating genomic datasets across species may also prove effective in facilitating cancer gene identification. A particularly productive path for oncogene identification may be the analysis of common integration sites (CISs) present in retrovirally-promoted leukemias and lymphomas (Neil, J. C. & Cameron, E. R. (2002) *Cancer Cell* 2, 253-5). Consistent with the paradigm that proviral integration primarily serves to activate endogenous proto-oncogene (Neil, J. C. & Cameron, E. R. (2002) *Cancer Cell* 2, 253-5), syntenic mapping of 232 CISs to the human genome (Akagi K., *et al.* (2004) *Nucl. Acids Res* 32:) uncovered 19 CISs residing within MCRs of amplified loci in Table 1, whereas only 10 would be expected by chance alone ( $p < 0.006$ ). On the contrary, MCRs within regions of loss or deletion contained only 16 CIS's whereas 14.4 would have been expected by chance alone. Thus, the abundance of CIS's mapping to amplified loci may represent genes with pathogenetic relevance in mouse models of tumor progression as well as in human cancer, although there may be possible cell-type specific roles for these candidate genes.

### Equivalents

Those skilled in the art will recognize, or be able to ascertain using no more than routine experimentation, many equivalents to the specific embodiments of the invention described herein. Such equivalents are intended to be encompassed by the following claims.

Table 1: List of High-Confidence MCRs.

#	Cytogenetic Band	Locus Boundary (Mb)	Locus Peak Profile		Minimal Common Regions (MCRs)						MCR Recurrence				Candidates		
			Pos (Mb)	Max/Min	Position (Mb)	Size (Mb)	Max Min	# Trspt		# on U133A		Gain/Loss		Amp/Del			
								K	P	Total	Sig.	%	T	C		T	C
<b>Gain and Amplification</b>																	
1	1p13.1-p12	116.83-119.49	119.07-119.2	1.55	116.83-119.49	2.65	1.55	23	47	15	2	23	2	6	2	2	NOTCH4
2	5p15.33-p15.31	0.28-6.69	0.28-0.51	0.79	0.28-6.69	6.4	1.05	57	164	19	8	43	1	14	0	5	
3	5q31.1-q31.1	133.51-134.33	133.56-133.95	0.97	133.53-133.56	0.04	0.97	0	0	1	0	14	1	4	1	1	
4	6p22.1-p21.32	28.12-32.72	31.98-32.44	1.36	31.88-32.11	0.13	1.36	15	3	14	1	29	1	9	0	4	
5	6p21.1-p21.1	42.91-43.19	42.98-43.15	0.84	42.91-43.03	0.12	0.84	16	6	7	2	23	2	6	1	1	
6	7p22.3-p22.1	0.72-4.53	0.72-2.48	0.93	0.72-2.28	1.56	0.93	45	53	10	6	51	4	14	0	7	
7	7p15.1-p14.3	30.12-31.56	30.5-30.81	0.82	30.12-31.56	1.44	0.82	23	25	13	1	37	1	12	1	2	
8	7q11.21-q21.11	64.84-77.18	64.95-64.95	1.06	64.95-65.85	0.9	1.06	12	22	7	5	34	1	11	1	1	
9	7q21.11-q32.2	79.45-129.46	97.86-98.55	3.06	92.33-112.27	19.94	3.06	356	282	166	42	46	4	12	1	5	
10	8p12-p11.21	37.7-41.76	37.72-38.02	1.71	37.7-38.45	0.75	1.71	31	14	14	8	37	1	12	0	2	
11	8q12.1-q12.3	59.09-63.66	59.23-62.26	0.58	59.23-60.82	1.6	0.58	1	15	4	0	49	4	13	1	1	FGFR1
12	8q21.3-q24.3	90.7-145.83	133.72-134.16	1.78	118.97-145.83	26.86	1.78	317	461	115	41	66	6	17	0	7	
13	9p21.3-p13.2	23.68-37.87	35.65-36.56	0.86	35.6-36.56	0.96	0.86	39	23	18	9	20	1	6	0	3	MYC
14	11q14.1-q14.2	78.15-86.74	82.39-85.89	0.9	82.39-86.21	2.82	0.9	18	26	9	0	46	0	16	0	2	
15	12p12.3-q13.13	16.6-53.06	20.7-22.54	2.52	21.82-22.39	0.57	2.52	9	5	3	1	26	2	7	2	2	KRAS2
16	12q15-q15	68.27-68.87	68.44-68.77	1.38	68.27-68.85	0.59	1.38	15	13	1	0	23	2	6	1	2	
17	13q12.11-q14.13	18.68-43.95	19.21-24.22	0.89	20.65-24.85	4.19	0.89	43	74	19	3	20	2	5	1	2	HER2
18	13q34-q34	112.84-113.06	112.85-113.01	0.62	112.84-113.06	0.23	1.04	14	8	3	1	29	4	6	1	1	
19	14q11.2-q24.3	18.82-74.47	73.56-74.47	1.08	28.12-33.17	5.05	0.98	36	61	14	7	34	4	8	1	2	OZF, AKT2
20	17q12-q23.2	37.48-56.39	43.53-43.53	2.37	38.95-55.26	16.31	2.37	474	308	215	70	46	2	14	0	7	
21	17q23.2-q25.3	59.83-79.64	62.33-62.47	3.61	74.02-74.22	0.2	1.19	14	4	5	3	34	3	9	1	2	AIB1, STK15
22	18p11.21-q12.1	12.02-28.55	19.67-21.37	2.12	19.12-21.37	2.25	2.12	26	37	11	6	29	4	6	3	3	
23	19p13.11-q13.32	23.32-50	45.03-45.39	3.84	41.41-44.6	3.2	3.52	124	77	35	16	26	4	5	2	4	
24	19q13.32-q13.43	50.06-63.76	50.65-50.65	1.59	50.06-62.89	12.83	1.59	732	396	282	65	29	3	7	1	5	
25	20p13-q13.33	0.33-63.41	58.54-63.41	1.34	25.68-31.48	5.8	1.25	26	31	10	1	40	3	11	1	5	
26	22q11.1-q12.1	14.65-26.58	22.7-22.7	1.04	22.64-22.83	0.2	1.04	5	7	6	2	23	3	5	3	3	
27	22q12.2-q12.2	28.75-29.85	28.96-29.83	0.93	29.35-29.85	0.51	0.93	12	7	5	2	26	3	6	1	1	
<b>Loss and Deletion</b>																	
28	1p36.21-p36.11	15.02-26.95	21.46-21.46	-0.94	21.08-21.56	0.48	-0.94	14	7	2	1	46	4	12	1	2	FEZ1 NRG1 INK4A
29	1p35.3-p34.3	28.37-39.18	32.79-33.04	-0.87	22.82-26.95	4.13	-0.73	151	67	64	18	49	3	14	1	1	
30	1p21.2-p21.1	100.63-103.3	103.25-103.25	-1.69	28.37-31.18	2.81	-0.77	28	28	17	7	37	3	10	1	2	
31	2p25.3-p24.3	0.21-16.09	10.92-11.3	-0.85	32.67-34.68	2.01	-0.87	28	29	10	4	37	3	10	1	2	
32	2p12-p11.2	75.23-89	79.31-85.51	-1.03	103.25-103.3	0.05	-1.69	5	1	0	0	49	4	13	1	5	
33	3p26.3-p24.3	1.33-18.8	13.85-14.52	-1	77.7-79.27	1.57	-1.03	0	12	1	0	23	2	6	1	1	
34	4q31.22-q32.1	148.03-158.75	149.46-153.1	-0.93	13.67-14.52	0.85	-1	13	15	6	3	34	4	8	0	2	
35	4q34.1-q35.2	174.84-188.09	175.03-187.79	-1.28	151.71-154.37	2.65	-0.93	18	39	6	2	51	4	14	0	4	
36	5q23.2-q23.3	127.65-130.53	127.65-128.48	-0.62	155.09-158.56	3.47	-0.91	24	40	14	0	51	4	14	1	4	
37	6q21-q22.31	106.63-119.43	107.02-116.57	-1.11	174.84-188.09	13.26	-1.28	94	194	40	8	54	6	13	0	2	
38	6q23.3-q24.3	135.17-146.81	137.46-138.13	-0.91	127.65-130.53	2.98	-1	7	24	3	1	20	1	6	1	1	
39	6q27-q27	168.07-170.54	168.63-170.54	-0.72	106.63-119.43	12.8	-1.11	133	181	56	21	51	5	13	0	6	
40	8p23.3-p12	2.06-37.7	2.06-2.1	-1.86	135.17-146.81	11.64	-0.91	98	144	38	8	46	5	11	1	4	
41	9p24.3-p21.2	0.47-27.18	20.77-21.31	-2.53	168.07-170.54	2.47	-0.72	22	62	8	2	46	5	11	1	3	
42	11q14.2-q14.3	85.89-89.24	86.21-89.24	-0.9	18.07-21.75	3.68	-1.31	27	57	12	4	54	2	17	0	11	
43	12q12-q13.12	40.06-49.24	41.04-49.21	-0.71	28.45-37.7	9.25	-0.95	60	131	28	16	46	1	15	0	11	
44	12q13.12-q13.3	49.65-55.82	50.01-53.06	-0.7	0.47-3.39	2.92	-1.38	15	38	8	3	60	8	13	2	9	
45	12q14.1-q15	57.92-68.77	62.76-68.27	-0.8	5.3-23.68	18.39	-2.53	129	216	55	15	57	7	13	1	11	
46	12q21.2-q24.33	77.19-133.4	81.03-85.63	-1.19	85.89-89.24	3.35	-0.9	23	36	13	0	6	1	1	1	1	
47	16p13.3-p12.2	0.03-23.97	0.76-23.7	-0.67	40.06-49.24	9.18	-0.73	123	129	68	18	29	2	8	1	1	
48	17p13.3-q11.1	0.02-25.81	8.16-14.05	-0.99	49.65-53.06	3.41	-0.73	116	70	70	19	34	3	9	1	1	
49	18q11.2-q21.1	18.51-46.28	34.95-40.58	-1.19	53.17-55.82	2.65	-0.69	82	69	60	4	34	2	10	1	1	
50	18q22.1-q23	60.4-77.63	74.45-76.84	-1.53	62.76-68.77	6.01	-0.8	57	96	34	13	31	3	8	1	1	
51	19q13.2-q13.43	44.57-63.76	59.99-60.04	-1.31	77.19-91.44	14.25	-1.19	63	111	27	9	37	4	9	2	4	
52	21p11.2-q11.2	9.96-13.43	9.96-10.08	-1.24	2.24-2.82	0.58	-0.67	34	17	15	7	29	1	9	1	2	
53	21q22.2-q22.3	39.76-46.94	41.7-41.75	-4.09	10.36-12.8	2.44	-0.99	18	34	14	0	57	5	15	1	5	
54	22q11.1-q13.2	14.49-39.46	22.7-22.7	-1.32	34.16-43.14	8.99	-1.19	21	94	16	5	54	6	13	0	7	
					60.4-77.63	17.23	-1.53	98	287	23	8	60	7	14	0	7	
					59.85-60.18	0.33	-1.31	55	9	12	2	31	4	7	1	2	
					9.96-13.43	3.47	-1.24	2	6	3	0	60	5	16	1	2	
					45.08-45.17	0.09	-0.9	4	3	2	2	34	5	7	0	3	
					46.77-46.94	0.17	-0.87	8	1	6	1	40	5	9	0	3	
					20.64-39.46	18.83	-1.32	424	350	243	65	54	5	14	0	7	

**Table 2. List of cell lines and corresponding references used in this study**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Reference</b>
PA-TU-8988T	DSMZ	Elsasser et al. Virchows Arch B Cell Pathol 61(5):295-306. 1992
PA-TU-8988S	DSMZ	Elsasser et al. Virchows Arch B Cell Pathol 61(5):295-306. 1992
PA-TU-8902	DSMZ	Elsasser et al. Virchows Arch B Cell Pathol. 64:201-207.1993
DAN-G	DSMZ	Not Published
HUP-T4	DSMZ	Nishimura et al., Int. J. Pancreatol 13:31-41. 1993
HUP-T3	DSMZ	Nishimura et al., Int. J. Pancreatol 13:31-41. 1993
Panc 10.05	ATCC	Jaffee EM et al. Cancer J Sci Am 4:194-203, 1998.
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Capan-1	ATCC	Fogh et al. JNCI 58:209-214. 1977
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Panc-1	ATCC	Lieber M et al. Int J. Cancer 15:741-747. 1975
SW1990	ATCC	Kyriazis AP et al. Cancer Res. 43: 4393-4401. 1983
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Panc 02.03	ATCC	Jaffee EM et al. Cancer J Sci Am 4:194-203, 1998.
Panc 02.13	ATCC	Jaffee EM et al. Cancer J Sci Am 4:194-203, 1998.
Panc 3.27	ATCC	Jaffee EM et al. Cancer J Sci Am 4:194-203, 1998.
Panc 08.13	ATCC	Jaffee EM et al. Cancer J Sci Am 4:194-203, 1998.

Table 3. List of High and Moderate Confidence MCRs.

#	Cytogenetic Band	Locus Boundary (Mb)	Locus Peak Profile			Minimal Common Region (MCR)				MCR Recurrence		
			Pos (Mb)	Size (Mb)	Max (Mb)	# Traps	# on U133A	Gain/Loss	%	T	G	Amp/Del
1	1p13-p12	116.93-118.48	118.07-119.2	2.65	1.55	23	47	15	2	23	2	2
2	2p11.2-p11.1	85.23-91.46	85.78-88.78	1	0.93	10	37	5	2	14	0	2
3	3p11.1-q12.3	87.98-102.65	87.98-102.65	0.63	0.63	5	5	5	17	0	0	2
4	5p13.3-p13.31	0.26-0.69	0.26-0.51	0.79	0.55	57	164	19	4	14	0	5
5	5q21.1-q31.1	115.81-132.47	131.44-132.27	0.87	0.87	4	4	4	1	4	1	1
6	5q31.1-q31.1	133.51-134.33	133.56-133.86	0.08	0.08	0	0	0	31	2	0	2
7	6p13.3-q13.3	139.21-140.22	139.46-140.22	0.65	0.65	39	16	10	0	31	2	0
8	6p22.1-q21.32	28.12-32.72	31.98-32.44	1.36	1.36	3	3	3	14	1	9	0
9	6p21.1-q21.1	42.91-43.18	42.98-43.15	0.84	0.84	0	0	0	2	0	2	0
10	6q24.3-q25.1	145.66-151.68	150.09-151.16	1.45	1.45	16	32	4	1	17	0	0
11	7p22.3-p22.1	0.72-2.28	0.72-2.48	0.93	0.93	46	93	10	6	51	4	2
12	7p13.3-p13.2	7.39-14.44	7.97-14.44	0.58	0.58	20	58	13	3	40	2	12
13	7p13.3-p13.2	30.12-31.56	30.50-30.81	0.82	0.82	23	25	13	1	37	1	2
14	7p15.1-p14.3	44.95-54.88	45.64-47.71	1.23	1.23	41	143	27	13	34	0	12
15	7p15.1-p14.3	64.84-77.18	64.84-77.18	0.96	0.96	108	12	22	7	54	1	1
16	7q21.1-q21.11	79.45-129.47	87.86-88.55	3.06	3.06	356	282	160	42	47	0	6
17	7q34-q34.1	142.7-143.22	142.7-143.22	0.84	0.84	6	6	6	4	0	0	2
18	8p23.3-p23.2	37.74-37.76	37.74-37.76	1.71	1.71	31	14	4	5	11	0	0
19	8p11.2-p11.2	59.29-60.92	59.29-60.92	0.59	0.59	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
20	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
21	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
22	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
23	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
24	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
25	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
26	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
27	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
28	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
29	8p11.2-p11.2	63.7-67.08	63.7-67.08	0.87	0.87	20	43	1	15	4	0	0
30	12p13.2-p13.1	11.95-13.06	12.18-12.77	0.6	0.6	28	23	14	8	20	1	0
31	12p13.2-p13.1	16.6-63.06	20.22-24.54	2.52	2.52	9	5	3	1	26	2	2
32	12p13.2-p13.1	64.91-66.08	65.96-68.08	0.83	0.83	19	13	7	0	23	1	0
33	12p13.2-p13.1	66.27-68.37	66.44-68.77	1.38	1.38	58	27	85	0	34	1	1
34	12p13.2-p13.1	108.06-110.72	108.55-110.88	0.88	0.88	59	37	28	0	23	1	0
35	12p13.2-p13.1	120.76-133.4	120.83-125.12	1.5	1.5	123	132	6	3	20	2	5
36	12p13.2-p13.1	120.76-133.4	120.83-125.12	1.5	1.5	123	132	6	3	20	2	5
37	12p13.2-p13.1	120.76-133.4	120.83-125.12	1.5	1.5	123	132	6	3	20	2	5
38	12p13.2-p13.1	120.76-133.4	120.83-125.12	1.5	1.5	123	132	6	3	20	2	5
39	12p13.2-p13.1	120.76-133.4	120.83-125.12	1.5	1.5	123	132	6	3	20	2	5
40	14q24.3-q24.2	45.56-47.81	47.45-47.77	0.56	0.56	43	74	12	4	29	4	1
41	14q24.3-q24.2	112.84-113.06	112.85-113.01	0.82	0.82	104	14	8	3	1	29	4
42	14q11.2-q11.3	18.95-24.7	18.95-24.7	1.08	1.08	508	38	61	14	7	34	8
43	14q11.2-q11.3	75.25-86.86	75.25-86.86	0.83	0.83	133	180	68	10	31	1	0
44	14q11.2-q11.3	91.16-104.37	91.39-104.37	0.63	0.63	65	78	9	17	0	0	2
45	14q11.2-q11.3	0.09-4.95	3.37-3.49	1.23	1.23	7	5	4	2	11	1	3
46	14q11.2-q11.3	5.44-15.78	7.63-15.08	0.93	0.93	13	18	6	2	14	0	5
47	14q11.2-q11.3	21.7-27.1	24.65-26.58	0.93	0.93	18	12	6	2	16	0	5
48	14q11.2-q11.3	29.14-30.88	29.14-30.88	0.74	0.74	6	6	6	2	6	2	1
49	14q11.2-q11.3	37.48-38.39	37.48-38.39	0.74	0.74	6	6	6	2	6	2	1
50	14q11.2-q11.3	59.83-59.83	62.33-62.47	0.31	0.31	237	474	209	215	70	46	1
51	14q11.2-q11.3	59.83-59.83	62.33-62.47	0.31	0.31	237	474	209	215	70	46	1
52	14q11.2-q11.3	19.72-21.37	19.72-21.37	2.12	2.12	35	37	11	6	29	4	2
53	14q11.2-q11.3	23.32-50	45.03-45.39	3.64	3.64	11	6	29	4	2	4	2
54	14q11.2-q11.3	50.85-50.85	50.85-50.85	1.59	1.59	292	386	282	65	29	3	7
55	14q11.2-q11.3	58.54-63.41	58.54-63.41	1.34	1.34	129	130	68	12	40	3	11
56	14q11.2-q11.3	14.65-26.58	22.7-22.7	1.04	1.04	57	19	46	3	46	3	0
57	14q11.2-q11.3	28.75-28.85	28.75-28.85	0.63	0.63	7	5	2	23	3	3	0
58	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
59	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
60	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
61	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
62	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
63	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
64	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
65	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
66	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
67	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
68	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
69	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
70	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
71	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
72	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
73	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
74	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
75	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
76	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
77	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
78	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
79	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
80	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
81	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
82	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
83	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
84	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
85	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
86	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46	-0.94	-0.94	14	7	6	2	26	3	6
87	14q11.2-q11.3	21.46-21.46	21.46-21.46									



Table 4: Markers of the invention which reside in MCRs of deletion and display decreased expression.														
Chromosome	Pos (Mb)	Gene Weight	Minimum p value	Gene Description	Gene Symbol	GI	UGID#	Locus Link	Regulation	Probes	Ref Seq mRNA ID	SEO ID NO: Nuc	Ref Seq Prot ID	SEO ID NO: AA
1	21.3	-0.84	0.005	alkaline phosphatase, liver/bone/kidney	ALPL	gi:28737	Hs.230769	249	DOWN	215783_s_at	NM_000478	427	NP_000469	1178
1	22.8	-1.12	<.005	KJAA0601 protein	KJAA0601	gi:3043725	Hs.348515	23028	DOWN	212348_s_at	NM_015013	428	NP_055828	1179
1	23.3	-0.38	0.037	EEF transcription factor 2	EEF2	gi:4758225	Hs.231444	1870	DOWN	207042_at	NM_004091	429	NP_004082	1180
1	23.5	-0.73	<.005	lysophospholipase II	LYPLA2	gi:9966763	Hs.413781	11313	DOWN	202292_x_at	NM_007260	430	NP_009191	1181
1	23.5	-0.39	0.049	galactose-4-epimerase, UDP-	GALE	gi:9945333	Hs.76057	2582	DOWN	202528_at	NM_000403	431	NP_000394	1182
1	23.6	-0.56	0.012	3-hydroxymethyl-3-methylglutaryl-Coenzyme A lyase (hydroxymethylglutarylaciduria)	HMGCL	gi:4504426	Hs.444925	3155	DOWN	202772_at	NM_000191	432	NP_000182	1183
1	23.6	-0.80	<.005	lysophospholipase II	LYPLA2	gi:4376011	Hs.413781	11313	DOWN	215568_x_at	NM_007260	433	NP_009191	1184
1	23.6	-0.42	0.03	fucosidase, alpha-L-1, tissue	FUCA1	gi:4503802	Hs.576	2517	DOWN	202838_at	NM_000147	434	NP_000138	1185
1	24.3	-0.48	<.005	serine/arginine repetitive matrix 1	SRRM1	gi:5032118	Hs.18192	10250	DOWN	201225_s_at	NM_005839	435	NP_005830	1186
1	24.5	-0.64	0.021	chloride intracellular channel 4	CLIC4	gi:4588323	Hs.25035	25932	DOWN	201559_s_at	NM_013943	436	NP_039234	1187
1	24.9	-0.61	0.005	hypothetical protein dJ465N24.2.1	DJ465N24.2.1	gi:12005626	Hs.259412	57035	DOWN	209006_s_at	NM_020317	437	NP_064713	1188
1	25.8	-0.87	<.005	stathmin 1/oncoprotein 18	STMN1	gi:13518023	Hs.209983	3925	DOWN	200785_s_at	NM_005563	438	NP_005554	1189
1	26.1	-0.45	0.037	zinc finger protein	ZTF8	gi:7705661	Hs.102419	51042	DOWN	204175_at	NM_015871	439	NP_056955	1190
1	26.4	-0.44	0.021	high-mobility group nucleosomal binding domain 2	HMGN2	gi:13277559	Hs.181163	3151	DOWN	208668_x_at	NM_005517	440	NP_005508; NP_116138	1191
1	26.4	-0.86	<.005	ribosomal protein S6 kinase, 90kDa, polypeptide 1	RPS6KA1	gi:4506732	Hs.149957	6195	DOWN	203379_at	NM_002953	441	NP_002944	1192
1	26.7	-0.61	0.015	hypothetical protein FLJ20477	FLJ20477	gi:8923441	Hs.259605	55650	DOWN	219238_at	NM_017837	442	NP_060307	1193

1	26.7	-0.84	0.007	hypothetical protein FLJ20477	FLJ20477	gi:1799134	Hs.259605	55650	DOWN	51146_at	NM_017837	443	NP_060307	1194
1	26.8	-2.26	0.032	hypothetical protein FLJ12455	FLJ12455	gi:11545792	Hs.10903	63906	DOWN	218895_at	NM_022078	444	NP_071361	1195
1	28.5	-0.75	<.005	RNA selenocysteine associated protein	SECP43	gi:8923459	Hs.266935	54952	DOWN	218977_s_at	NM_017846	446	NP_060316	1197
1	28.6	-0.87	<.005	TAF12 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor, 20kDa	TAF12	gi:1345403	Hs.421646	6883	DOWN	209465_s_at	NM_005644	447	NP_005635	1198
1	28.7	-0.63	0.016	glucocorticoid modulatory element binding protein 1	GMEB1	gi:1345376	Hs.4069	10691	DOWN	220938_s_at	NM_006582 ; NM_024482	448;449	NP_006573 ; NP_077808	1199;1200
1	28.7	-0.78	0.005	high-glucose-regulated protein 8	HGRG8	gi:7705410	Hs.20993	51441	DOWN	217812_at	NM_016258	450	NP_057342	1201
1	29.1	-0.47	0.032	splicing factor, arginine/serine-rich 4	SFRS4	gi:5032088	Hs.76122	6429	DOWN	201696_at	NM_005626	451	NP_005617	1202
1	29.2	-0.57	0.008	nuclear receptor-binding factor 1	CGI-63	gi:7705776	Hs.183646	51102	DOWN	218664_at	NM_016011	452	NP_057095	1203
1	31.1	-0.49	0.037	hypothetical protein FLJ12650	FLJ12650	gi:13375663	Hs.436090	79570	DOWN	219438_at	NM_024522	453	NP_078798	1204
1	32.7	-0.67	0.006	KIAA1522 protein	KIAA1522	gi:5583393	Hs.322735	57648	DOWN	212048_s_at	XM_036299	454	XP_036299	1205
1	32.9	-0.63	0.017	hypothetical protein FLJ90005	FLJ90005	gi:6729581	Hs.511807	127544	DOWN	213038_at	NM_153341	455	NP_699172	1206
1	32.9	-0.27	<.005	Homo sapiens transcribed sequence with moderate similarity to protein refNP_060263.1 (H.sapiens) hypothetical protein FLJ20378 [Homo sapiens]		gi:6664283	Hs.416117		DOWN	212172_at		1501		
1	33.3	-0.96	<.005	polyhormone-like 2 (Drosophila)	PHC2	gi:4758241	Hs.165263	1912	DOWN	200919_at	NM_004427 ; NM_198040	456;457	NP_004418 ; NP_932157	1207;1208
3	14.1	-0.86	<.005	hypothetical protein MGC3222	MGC3222	gi:1384812	Hs.130330	79188	DOWN	217795_s_at	NM_024334	459	NP_077310	1210
3	14.1	-1.30	<.005	xeroderma pigmentosum, complementation group C	XPC	gi:473156	Hs.320	7508	DOWN	209375_at	NM_004628	460	NP_004619	1211
3	14.2	-0.47	0.033	LSM3 homolog, U6 small nuclear RNA associated (S. cerevisiae)	LSM3	gi:7657314	Hs.111632	27258	DOWN	202209_at	NM_014463	461	NP_055278	1212
4	153.2	-0.42	0.023	PET112-like (Yeast)	PET112L	gi:4758893	Hs.119316	5188	DOWN	204300_at	NM_004564	462	NP_004555	1213

4	153.8	-0.38	0.043	F-box and WD-40 domain protein 7 (archipelago homolog, Drosophila)	FBXW7	gi:8922851	Hs:312503	55294	DOWN	218751_s_at	NM_018315 ; NM_033632	463,464	NP_060785 ; NP_361014	1214;1215
4	174.8	-0.42	0.037	UDP-N-acetyl-alpha-D-galactosamine polypeptide N-acetyl galactosaminyltransferase 7 (GalNAc-T7)	GALNT7	gi:8393408	Hs:156856	51809	DOWN	218313_s_at	NM_017423	465	NP_059119	1216
4	175	-0.42	0.027	Homo sapiens clone FLB9413 PRO2532 mRNA, complete cds		gi:11493455	Hs:383372		DOWN	210918_at		1502		1503
4	175.1	-0.40	0.021	heart and neural crest derivatives expressed 2	HAND2	gi:12545383	Hs:388245	9464	DOWN	220480_at	NM_021973	466	NP_068808	1217
4	184.5	-0.73	<.005	dCMP deaminase	DCTD	gi:4740472	Hs:76894	1635	DOWN	201571_s_at	NM_001921	467	NP_001912	1218
4	185	-0.70	0.006	collaborates/cooperates with ARF (alternate reading frame) protein	CARF	gi:8923039	Hs:32922	55602	DOWN	218929_at	NM_017632	468	NP_060102	1219
4	186	-0.74	<.005	interferon regulatory factor 2	IRF2	gi:4755144	Hs:83795	3660	DOWN	203275_at	NM_002199	469	NP_002190	1220
4	186.9	-0.38	0.05	hypothetical protein DKFZp761O0113	DKFZp761O0113	gi:8922176	Hs:42768	55805	DOWN	207797_s_at	NM_018409	470	NP_060879	1221
4	187	-0.40	0.028	hypothetical protein FLJ11200	FLJ11200	gi:8922937	Hs:368022	55325	DOWN	218449_at	NM_018339	471	NP_060829	1222
5	128.5	-2.23	0.042	CGI-111 protein	CGI-111	gi:7705613	Hs:11085	51015	DOWN	218170_at	NM_016048	472	NP_057132	1223
6	106.7	-0.63	<.005	APG5 autophagy 5-like (S. cerevisiae)	APG5L	gi:7023451	Hs:11171	9474	DOWN	202511_s_at	NM_004849	473	NP_004840	1224
6	107.1	-0.45	0.015	glutaminyl-RNA synthase (glutamine-hydrolyzing)-like 1	QRSL1	gi:12052881	Hs:406917	55278	DOWN	218948_at	NM_018292	474	NP_060762	1225
6	107.6	-0.61	<.005	chromosome 6 open reading frame 210	C6orf210	gi:9966852	Hs:268733	57107	DOWN	219307_at	NM_020381	475	NP_065114	1226
6	108.2	-0.95	<.005	SEC63-like (S. cerevisiae)	SEC63	gi:5393231	Hs:330767	11231	DOWN	201915_at	NM_007214	476	NP_009145	1227
6	108.5	-0.48	0.01	sorting nexin 3	SNX3	gi:6010168	Hs:12102	8724	DOWN	200667_x_at	NM_003795 ; NM_152827 ; NM_152828	477,478,479	NP_003786 ; NP_690040 ; NP_690041	1228;1229;1230

6	108.6	-0.53	0.007	sorting nexin 3	SNX3	gi:11765691	Hs.12102	8724	DOWN	213545_x_at NM_003795 ; NM_152827 ; NM_152828	480;481;482	NP_003786; NP_690040; NP_690041	1231;1232;1233
6	109	-0.24	0.014			gi:3821018			DOWN	217185_s_at			
6	109.7	-0.75	<.005	CD164 antigen, sialomucin	CD164	gi:11943350	Hs.43910	8763	DOWN	208654_s_at NM_006016	483	NP_006007	1234
6	109.8	-0.77	<.005	sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase 2, neutral membrane (neutral sphingomyelinase)	SMPD2	gi:5101461	Hs.53235	6610	DOWN	214206_at NM_003080	484	NP_003071	1235
6	109.8	-0.76	<.005	NEDD9 interacting protein with calponin homology and LIM domains	NICAL	gi:12232438	Hs.33476	64780	DOWN	218376_s_at NM_022765	485	NP_073602	1236
6	109.8	-0.54	0.008	zinc finger protein 450	ZNF450	gi:7662127	Hs.409876	9841	DOWN	205340_at XM_376523	486	XP_376525	1237
6	110.1	-0.36	0.04	KIAA0274	KIAA0274	gi:7662033	Hs.419998	9896	DOWN	203656_at NM_014845	487	NP_053660	1238
6	110.5	-0.52	<.005	WAS protein family, member 1	WASF1	gi:4507912	Hs.73850	8936	DOWN	204165_at NM_003931	488	NP_003922	1239
6	110.5	-0.94	<.005	cell division cycle 40 homolog (yeast)	CDC40	gi:706656	Hs.116674	51362	DOWN	203377_s_at NM_015891	489	NP_056975	1240
6	110.9	-1.03	<.005	cyclin-dependent kinase (CDC2-like) 11	CDK11	gi:5100783	Hs.129836	23097	DOWN	212897_at NM_015076	490	NP_053891	1241
6	111	-1.36	<.005	cyclin-dependent kinase (CDC2-like) 11	CDK11	gi:5689392	Hs.129836	23097	DOWN	212899_at NM_015076	491	NP_053891	1242
6	111.2	-0.41	<.005	adenosylmethionine decarboxylase 1	AMD1	gi:178517	Hs.159118	262	DOWN	201196_s_at NM_001634	492	NP_001625	1243
6	111.7	-0.76	<.005	REV3-like, catalytic subunit of DNA polymerase zeta (yeast)	REV3L	gi:506482	Hs.232021	5980	DOWN	208070_s_at NM_002912	493	NP_002903	1244
6	114.3	-0.72	<.005	histone deacetylase 2	HDAC2	gi:4557640	Hs.3352	3066	DOWN	201833_at NM_001527	494	NP_001518	1245
6	116.6	-0.84	<.005	TSPY-like	TSPYL	gi:12052783	Hs.458358	7259	DOWN	221493_at XM_371844	495	XP_371844	1246
6	119.2	-0.10	<.005	ASF1 anti-silencing function 1 homolog A (S. cerevisiae)	ASF1A	gi:7661591	Hs.292316	25842	DOWN	203427_at NM_014034	496	NP_054753	1247
6	135.3	-0.65	0.019	HBS1-like (S. cerevisiae)	HBS1L	gi:6703779	Hs.221040	10767	DOWN	209315_at NM_006620	497	NP_006611	1248
6	135.6	-0.57	0.016	Abelson helper integration site	AH1I	gi:8923074	Hs.273294	54806	DOWN	220841_s_at NM_017651	498	NP_060121	1249

6	136.9	-0.29	0.024	mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 5	MAP3K5	gi:1805499	Hs.151988	4217	DOWN	203836_s_at	NM_005923	499	NP_005914	1250
6	137.3	-0.58	<.005	interleukin 20 receptor, alpha	IL20RA	gi:7657690	Hs.288240	53832	DOWN	219115_s_at	NM_014432	500	NP_055247	1251
6	138.7	-0.52	0.012	heparin binding protein 2	HEBP2	gi:7657602	Hs.439081	23593	DOWN	203430_at	NM_014320	501	NP_055135	1252
6	139	-0.74	<.005	chromosome 6 open reading frame 80	C6orf80	gi:12645928	Hs.44468	25901	DOWN	209479_at	NM_015439	502	NP_056254	1253
6	139.4	-0.45	0.024	headcase homolog (Drosophila)	HECA	gi:7706434	Hs.6679	51696	DOWN	218603_at	NM_016217	503	NP_057501	1254
6	146.5	-0.76	<.005	glutamate receptor, metabotropic 1	GRM1	gi:6006005	Hs.32945	2911	DOWN	207299_s_at	NM_000838	504	NP_000829	1255
6	169.8	-0.25	0.047	PHD finger protein 10	PHF10	gi:11085906	Hs.435933	55274	DOWN	221786_at	NM_018288 ; NM_133325	505;506	NP_060758 ; NP_579866	1256;1257
6	169.8	-0.61	0.011	PHD finger protein 10	PHF10	gi:8922799	Hs.435933	55274	DOWN	219126_at	NM_018288 ; NM_133325	507;508	NP_060758 ; NP_579866	1258;1259
8	18	-0.44	0.026	N-acetyltransferase 1 (arylamine N-acetyltransferase)	NAT1	gi:4505334	Hs.458430	9	DOWN	214440_at	NM_000662	509	NP_000653	1260
8	18.3	-0.65	<.005	hypothetical protein DKFZp761K1423	DKFZp761K1423	gi:8922171	Hs.236438	55358	DOWN	218613_at	NM_018422	510	NP_060892	1504
8	18.5	-0.68	<.005	ADP-ribosylation factor guanine nucleotide factor 6	EFA6R	gi:6085952	Hs.408177	23362	DOWN	203354_s_at	NM_015310	511	NP_056125	1261
8	20	-0.75	<.005	ATPase, H+ transporting, lysosomal 56/58kDa, V1 subunit B, isoform 2	ATP6V1B2	gi:4502310	Hs.295917	526	DOWN	201089_at	NM_001693	512	NP_001684	1262
8	28.6	-0.40	0.042	exostosins (multiple)-like 3	EXTL3	gi:2897904	Hs.9018	2137	DOWN	209202_s_at	NM_001440	513	NP_001431	1263
8	28.6	-0.49	0.02	exostosins (multiple)-like 3 ; exostosins (multiple)-like 3	EXTL3	gi:13623512	Hs.9018 ; Hs.9018	2137 ; 2137	DOWN	211051_s_at	NM_001440	514	NP_001431	1264
8	28.7	-0.80	<.005	hypothetical protein FLJ10871	FLJ10871	gi:8922725	Hs.15562	55756	DOWN	203941_at	NM_018250	515	NP_060720	1265
8	29.9	-0.99	<.005	hypothetical protein MGC8721	MGC8721	gi:7706384	Hs.279921	51669	DOWN	200847_s_at	NM_016127	516	NP_057211	1266
8	30	-0.96	<.005	leptin receptor overlapping transcript-like 1	LEPROTL1	gi:7662509	Hs.146585	23484	DOWN	202594_at	NM_015344	517	NP_056159	1267
8	30	-0.80	<.005	dynactin 6	DCTN6	gi:730115	Hs.158427	10671	DOWN	203261_at	NM_006571	518	NP_006562	1268

8	30.3	-0.22	0.034	RNA binding protein with multiple splicing	RBPMS	gi:5803140	Hs.195825	11030	DOWN	207836_s_at	NM_006867	519	NP_006858	1269
8	30.5	-0.56	<.005	general transcription factor IIE, polypeptide 2, beta 34kDa	GTF2E2	gi:4504194	Hs.77100	2961	DOWN	202680_at	NM_002095	520	NP_002086	1270
8	30.6	-0.84	<.005	glutathione reductase	GSR	gi:10832188	Hs.414334	2936	DOWN	205770_at	NM_000637	521	NP_000628	1271
8	30.6	-0.42	0.022	reproduction 8	D8S2298E	gi:1913786	Hs.155678	7993	DOWN	215983_s_at	NM_005671	522	NP_005662	1272
8	30.7	-0.46	<.005	protein phosphatase 2 (formerly 2A), catalytic subunit, beta isoform	PPP2CB	gi:4758951	Hs.80350	5516	DOWN	201375_s_at	NM_004156	523	NP_004147	1273
8	32.6	-0.08	0.039	neuregulin 1	NRG1	gi:7669513	Hs.172816	3084	DOWN	206237_s_at	NM_004495 ; NM_013956 ; NM_013957 ; NM_013958 ; NM_013959 ; NM_013960 ; NM_013961 ; NM_013962 ; NM_013964	NP_004486 ; NP_039250 ; NP_039251 ; NP_039252 ; NP_039253 ; NP_039254 ; NP_039255 ; NP_039256 ; NP_039258	1274;1275;1276; 1277;1278;1279; 1280;1281;1282	
8	33.4	-1.04	<.005	RNA binding protein ; RNA binding protein	LOC84549	gi:13625185	Hs.77135 ; Hs.77135	84549 ; 84549	DOWN	211686_s_at	NM_032509	533	NP_115898	1283
8	33.4	-0.53	<.005	hypothetical protein FLJ23263	FLJ23263	gi:13376690	Hs.288716	80185	DOWN	219124_at	NM_025115	534	NP_079991	1284
8	37.6	-0.75	<.005	chromosome 8 open reading frame 2 ; chromosome 8 open reading frame 2	C8orf2	gi:10241715	Hs.125849 ; Hs.125849	11160 ; 11160	DOWN	221543_s_at	NM_007175 ; NM_007175	535;536	NP_009106	1285
8	37.6	-1.00	<.005	proline synthetase co-transcribed homolog (bacterial)	PROSC	gi:6005841	Hs.301959	11212	DOWN	214545_s_at	NM_007198	537	NP_009129	1286
8	131.3	-0.17	0.021	Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ23601 fis, clone LNG15201		gi:10440343	Hs.306918		DOWN	216416_at		1505		

9	2.1	-0.36	0.026	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily a, member 2	SMARCA2	gi:6133361	Hs.396404	6595	DOWN	212257_s_at	NM_005070 ; NM_139045	538;539	NP_003061; NP_620614	1287;1288
9	2.6	-0.47	0.013	very low density lipoprotein receptor	VLDLR	gi:437386	Hs.370422	7436	DOWN	209822_s_at	NM_003383	540	NP_003374	1289
9	2.8	-1.06	<.005	minor histocompatibility antigen HA-8	XTP5	gi:7661865	Hs.443866	9933	DOWN	203712_at	NM_014878	541	NP_055693	1290
9	5.3	-0.77	<.005	chromosome 9 open reading frame 46	C9orf46	gi:8923931	Hs.416649	55848	DOWN	218992_at	NM_018465	542	NP_060935	1291
9	5.5	-0.51	0.007	programmed cell death 1 ligand 2	PDCD1LG2	gi:13376849	Hs.61929	80380	DOWN	220049_s_at	NM_025239	543	NP_079515	1292
9	6	-1.15	<.005	RAN binding protein 6	RANBP6	gi:3538999	Hs.167496	26953	DOWN	213019_at	NM_012416	544	XP_039701	-
9	14	-0.20	<.005	nuclear factor YB	NFIB	gi:13410807	Hs.302690	4781	DOWN	213029_at	NM_005596	545	NP_005587	1293
9	14.2	-0.50	<.005	nuclear factor YB	NFIB	gi:4988418	Hs.302690	4781	DOWN	209289_at	NM_005596	546	NP_005587	1294
9	15.4	-0.56	<.005	small nuclear RNA activating complex, polypeptide 3, 50kDa	SNAPC3	gi:4507104	Hs.380092	6619	DOWN	204001_at	NM_003084	547	NP_003075	1295
9	15.4	-0.65	<.005	PC4 and SFES1 interacting protein 2	PSP2	gi:3283351	Hs.351305	11168	DOWN	209337_at	NM_021144 ; NM_033222	548;549	NP_066967; NP_150091	1296;1297
9	19	-0.94	<.005	Ras-related GTP binding A	RRAGA	gi:5729998	Hs.432330	10670	DOWN	201628_s_at	NM_006570	550	NP_006561	1298
9	19	-0.43	0.026	hypothetical protein FLJ20060	FLJ20060	gi:8923062	Hs.54617	54801	DOWN	218602_s_at	NM_017645	551	NP_060115	1299
9	19.3	-0.91	<.005	ribosomal protein S6	RPS6	gi:4506730	Hs.408073	6194	DOWN	201254_x_at	NM_001010	552	NP_001001	1300
9	20.8	-1.14	<.005	KIAA1797	KIAA1797	gi:8923357	Hs.257696	54914	DOWN	218503_at	NM_017794	553	NP_060264	1301
9	21.3	-1.03	<.005	KIAA1354 protein	KIAA1354	gi:2185814	Hs.147717	55958	DOWN	213233_s_at	NM_018847	554	NP_061335	1302

9	21.9	0.00	0.015	cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 2A (melanoma, p16, inhibits CDK4)	CDKN2A	gi:4502748	Hs.421349	1029	DOWN	207039_at NM_000077 ; NM_058195 ; NM_058196 ; NM_058197	556;557; 558; 559	NP_000068; NP_478102; NP_478103; NP_478104	1304;1305;1306
9	22	-0.15	<.005	methylthioadenosine phosphorylase	MTAP	gi:4378719	Hs.459541	4507	DOWN	211363_s_at NM_002451	560	NP_002442	1307
12	42.4	-1.31	<.005	PTK9 protein tyrosine kinase 9 ; PTK9 protein tyrosine kinase 9	PTK9	gi:4506274	Hs.189075 ; Hs.189075	5756 ; 5756	DOWN	201745_at NM_002822 ; NM_198974 ; NM_002822 ; NM_198974	561;562;563;564	NP_002813; NP_945325	1308;1309
12	43.8	-1.03	0.015	putative glycolipid transfer protein	LOC51054	gi:7705683	Hs.334649	51054	DOWN	220157_x_at NM_015899	565	NP_056983	1310
12	44.6	-0.94	0.006	splicing factor, arginine/serine-rich 2, interacting protein	SFRS2IP	gi:4759171	Hs.210367	9169	DOWN	206989_s_at NM_004719	566	NP_004710	1311
12	46.4	-1.06	0.047	hypothetical protein FLJ70489	FLJ20489	gi:8523451	Hs.438867	55652	DOWN	218417_s_at NM_017842	567	NP_060312	1312
12	46.5	-2.40	0.043	vitamin D (1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D3) receptor	VDR	gi:3824068	Hs.2062	7421	DOWN	204255_s_at NM_000376	568	NP_000367	1313
12	47.3	-0.54	0.036	hypothetical protein FLJ20436	FLJ20436	gi:10434303	Hs.268189	54934	DOWN	221821_s_at NM_017822	569	NP_060292	1314
12	47.5	-0.89	0.007	calcium channel, voltage-dependent, beta 3 subunit	CACNB3	gi:463890	Hs.250712	784	DOWN	209530_at NM_000725	570	NP_000716	1315
12	47.5	-0.82	0.007	calcium channel, voltage-dependent, beta 3 subunit	CACNB3	gi:463890	Hs.250712	784	DOWN	34726_at NM_000725	571	NP_000716	1316
12	47.5	-0.58	0.028	DEAD (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp) box polypeptide 23	DDX23	gi:2655201	Hs.130098	9416	DOWN	40465_at NM_004818	572	NP_004809	1317
12	47.6	-0.72	0.023	FK506 binding protein 11, 19 kDa	FKBP11	gi:7706130	Hs.438695	51303	DOWN	219117_s_at NM_016594	573	NP_057678	1318
12	47.6	-0.61	0.019	ADP-ribosylation factor 3	ARF3	gi:4502202	Hs.119177	377	DOWN	200011_s_at NM_001659	574	NP_001650	1319
12	47.6	-1.26	<.005	ADP-ribosylation factor 3 ; ADP-ribosylation factor 3	ARF3	gi:178980	Hs.119177 ; Hs.119177	377 ; 377	DOWN	211622_s_at NM_001659	575	NP_001650	1320

12	47.6	-0.48	0.045	protein kinase, AMP-activated, gamma 1 non-catalytic subunit	PRKAG1	gi:4506060	Hs.3136	5571	DOWN	201805_at	NM_002753	576	NP_002724	1321
12	47.7	-0.58	0.028	lipocalin-interacting membrane receptor	LIMR	gi:8922462	Hs.272838	55716	DOWN	220036_s_at	NM_018113	577	NP_060583	1322
12	48.1	-1.12	<0.005	spermatogenesis associated, serine-rich 2	SPATS2	gi:12751480	Hs.152982	65244	DOWN	218324_s_at	NM_023071	578	NP_075559	1323
12	48.2	-1.25	<0.005	microspherule protein 1	MCRS1	gi:5453693	Hs.25313	10445	DOWN	202556_s_at	NM_006337	579	NP_006328	1324
12	48.4	-1.09	<0.005	testis enhanced gene transcript (BAX inhibitor 1)	TEGT	gi:2645728	Hs.35052	7009	DOWN	200803_s_at	NM_003217	580	NP_003208	1325
12	48.6	-0.55	0.03	Rac GTPase activating protein 1	RACGAP1	gi:11015369	Hs.23900	29127	DOWN	222077_s_at	NM_013277	581	NP_037409	1326
12	49.6	-1.33	0.034	solute carrier family 11 (proton-coupled divalent metal ion transporters), member 2	SLC11A2	gi:11015990	Hs.57435	4891	DOWN	203123_s_at	NM_000617	582	NP_000608	1327
12	49.8	-2.85	0.034	transcription factor CP2	TFCP2	gi:5032174	Hs.154970	7024	DOWN	207627_s_at	NM_005653	583	NP_005644	1328
12	49.9	-1.32	<0.005	DAZ associated protein 2	DAZAP2	gi:7661885	Hs.369761	9802	DOWN	200794_x_at	NM_014764	584	NP_055579	1329
12	49.9	-0.66	0.032	hypothetical protein from clone 643	LOC57228	gi:13097236	Hs.206501	57228	DOWN	209679_s_at	NM_020467	585	NP_065200	1330
12	50.6	-0.44	0.043	activin A receptor, type IB	ACVR1B	gi:12652986	Hs.371974	91	DOWN	205209_at	NM_004302; NM_020327; NM_020328	587;588;589	NP_004293; NP_064732; NP_064733	1332;1333;1334
12	50.6	-0.58	0.035	activin A receptor, type IB	ACVR1B	gi:5912233	Hs.371974	91	DOWN	213198_at	NM_004302; NM_020327; NM_020328	590;591;592	NP_004293; NP_064732; NP_064733	1335;1336;1337
12	50.7	-0.57	0.035	Homo sapiens cDNA clone IMAGE:559238, partial cds		gi:7152120	Hs.444433		DOWN	222304_x_at		1506		-
12	51.7	-1.36	0.012	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 4B	EIF4B	gi:4503532	Hs.93379	1975	DOWN	211937_at	NM_001417	593	NP_001408	1338
12	51.8	-1.11	0.009	retinoic acid receptor, gamma	RARG	gi:307424	Hs.1497	5916	DOWN	217178_at	NM_000966	594	NP_000957	1339
12	51.9	-0.78	0.04	hypothetical protein MGCL1308	MGCL1308	gi:11975558	Hs.19210	84975	DOWN	212861_at	NM_032889	595	NP_116278	1340

12	51.9	-1.36	<0.005	prefoldin 5	PFDNS	gi:4505742	Hs.288856	5204	DOWN	207132_x_at	NM_002624 ; NM_145896 ; NM_145897	596;597;598 NP_002615 ; NP_665903 ; NP_665904	1341;1342;1343
12	51.9	-0.76	0.044	chromosome 12 open reading frame 10	C12orf10	gi:1056017	Hs.400801	60314	DOWN	218220_at	NM_021640	NP_067653	1344
12	52.6	-0.56	0.042	homeo box C11	HOXC11	gi:7657165	Hs.127562	3227	DOWN	206745_at	NM_014212	NP_055027	1345
12	52.7	-0.73	0.01	homeo box C6	HOXC6	gi:6709275	Hs.820	3223	DOWN	206194_at	NM_004503 ; NM_155693	NP_004494 ; NP_710160	1346;1347
12	52.8	-1.85	<0.005	single-strand selective monofunctional uracil DNA glycosylase	SMUG1	gi:7657596	Hs.5212	23583	DOWN	218685_s_at	NM_014311	NP_055126	1348
12	52.9	-1.16	0.012	Homo sapiens, clone IMAGE:528883, mRNA		gi:13284730	Hs.349283		DOWN	212126_at			
12	52.9	-1.60	0.034	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A1	HNRPA1	gi:4504444	Hs.356721	3178	DOWN	200016_x_at	NM_002136 ; NM_031157	NP_002127 ; NP_112420	1349;1350
12	53	-4.54	0.034	coatamer protein complex, subunit zeta 1	COPZ1	gi:7706336	Hs.181271	22818	DOWN	217726_at	NM_016057	NP_057141	1351
12	54.3	-1.01	<0.005	GCN5 general control of amino-acid synthesis 5-like 1 (Yeast)	GCN5L1	gi:4503954	Hs.94672	2647	DOWN	202592_at	NM_001487	NP_001478	1352
12	54.4	-2.59	<0.005	CD63 antigen (melanoma 1 antigen)	CD63	gi:4502678	Hs.445570	967	DOWN	200663_at	NM_001780	NP_001771	1353
12	54.4	-1.52	0.013	ORM1-like 2 (S. cerevisiae)	ORMDL2	gi:7661819	Hs.13144	29095	DOWN	218556_at	NM_014182	NP_056901	1354
12	63.1	-0.90	0.005	exportin, tRNA (nuclear export receptor for tRNAs)	XPO1	gi:5811224	Hs.85951	11260	DOWN	212160_at	NM_007255	NP_009166	1359
12	63.1	-0.76	0.014	TANK-binding kinase 1	TBK1	gi:7019546	Hs.432466	29110	DOWN	218520_at	NM_013254	NP_037386	1360
12	63.3	-1.23	<0.005	glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase (Sanfilippo disease IIID)	GNS	gi:10329021	Hs.334534	2799	DOWN	212334_at	NM_002076	NP_002067	1361
12	63.4	-0.78	0.013	glucosamine (N-acetyl)-6-sulfatase (Sanfilippo disease IIID)	GNS	gi:4504060	Hs.334534	2799	DOWN	203676_at	NM_002076	NP_002067	1362
12	63.8	-1.13	0.006	integral inner nuclear membrane protein	MAN1	gi:7706606	Hs.105234	23592	DOWN	218604_at	NM_014319	NP_055134	1363

12	64.8	-0.71	0.012	CGI-119 protein	CGI-119	gi:7706334	Hs.126372	51643	DOWN	219206_x_at	NM_016056	619	NP_057140	1364
12	65.9	-0.73	0.005	TBP-interacting protein	TIP-120A	gi:8924259	Hs.512638	55832	DOWN	207483_s_at	NM_018448	620	NP_060918	1365
12	65.9	-0.79	<.005	TBP-interacting protein	TIP-120A	gi:4240146	Hs.512638	55832	DOWN	208838_at	NM_018448	621	NP_060918	1366
12	66.3	-0.70	0.006	dual-specificity tyrosine-(Y)-phosphorylation regulated kinase 2	DYRK2	gi:1666065	Hs.173135	8445	DOWN	202968_s_at	NM_003583 ; NM_006482	622;623	NP_003574 ; NP_006473	1367;1368
12	67.3	-0.97	<.005	RAP1B, member of RAS oncogene family	RAP1B	gi:7661677	Hs.374418	5908	DOWN	200833_s_at	NM_015646	624	NP_056461	1369
12	67.4	-0.52	0.031	solute carrier family 35, member E2	SLC35E3	gi:8922084	Hs.445043	55508	DOWN	218988_at	NM_018656	625	NP_061126	1370
12	68	-0.80	0.005	glioma-amplified sequence-41	GAS41	gi:5729837	Hs.4029	8089	DOWN	218911_at	NM_006530	626	NP_006521	1371
12	68.2	-0.53	0.05	chaperonin containing TCP1, subunit 2 (beta)	CCT2	gi:5453602	Hs.189772	10576	DOWN	201947_s_at	NM_006431	627	NP_006422	1372
12	78.7	-0.98	<.005	protein phosphatase 1, regulatory (inhibitor) subunit 12A	PPP1R12A	gi:5436140	Hs.377908	4659	DOWN	201603_at	NM_002480	628	NP_002471	1373
12	81.2	-0.81	<.005	HSPC128 protein	HSPC128	gi:7661789	Hs.90527	29080	DOWN	218936_s_at	NM_014167	629	NP_054886	1374
12	86.9	-0.86	<.005	hypothetical protein DKFZp434N2030	DKFZp434N2030	gi:6708922	Hs.494204	91298	DOWN	213701_at		1508		
12	87	-0.52	0.045	hypothetical protein FLJ13615	FLJ13615	gi:12711597	Hs.288715	80184	DOWN	221683_s_at	NM_025114	630	NP_079390	1375
12	87.4	-0.47	0.03	KIT ligand	KITLG	gi:4505174	Hs.1048	4254	DOWN	207029_at	NM_000890 ; NM_003984	631;632	NP_000890 ; NP_003985	1376;1377
12	88.2	-0.45	0.027	dual specificity phosphatase 6	DUSP6	gi:13111942	Hs.298654	1848	DOWN	208891_at	NM_001946 ; NM_022652	633;634	NP_001937 ; NP_073143	1378;1379
12	88.4	-0.88	0.005	ATPase, Ca <sup>++</sup> transporting, plasma membrane 1	ATP2B1	gi:7247996	Hs.20952	490	DOWN	212930_at	NM_001682	635	NP_001673	1380
12	88.5	-0.73	<.005	ATPase, Ca <sup>++</sup> transporting, plasma membrane 1	ATP2B1	gi:184269	Hs.20952	490	DOWN	209281_s_at	NM_001682	636	NP_001673	1381
12	91	-0.65	0.008	B-cell translocation gene 1, anti-proliferative	BTG1	gi:4502472	Hs.255935	694	DOWN	200921_s_at	NM_001731	637	NP_001722	1382

16	2.5	-0.60	0.026	ATPase, H <sup>+</sup> transporting, lysosomal 16kDa, V0 subunit c	ATP6V0C	gi:4502312	Hs.389107	527	DOWN	200954_at	NM_001694	638	NP_001685	1383
16	2.5	-0.62	0.019	ATPase, H <sup>+</sup> transporting, lysosomal 16kDa, V0 subunit c	ATP6V0C	gi:189675	Hs.389107	527	DOWN	36994_at	NM_001694	639	NP_001685	1384
16	2.5	-0.70	<.005	CGI-14 protein	CGI-14	gi:7705595	Hs.433499	51005	DOWN	219082_at	NM_015944	640	NP_057028	1385
16	2.5	-0.14	0.02	3-phosphoinositide dependent protein kinase-1	PDPK1	gi:4505694	Hs.154729	5170	DOWN	204524_at	NM_002613	641	NP_002604	1386
16	2.5	-0.92	<.005	3-phosphoinositide dependent protein kinase-1	PDPK1	gi:2407612	Hs.154729	5170	DOWN	32029_at	NM_002613	642	NP_002604	1387
16	2.8	-0.15	<.005	serine/arginine repetitive matrix 2	SRRM2	gi:4737778	Hs.433343	23524	DOWN	208610_s_at	NM_016333	643	NP_057417	1388
16	2.8	-0.61	0.01	serine/arginine repetitive matrix 2	SRRM2	gi:4531907	Hs.433343	23524	DOWN	213877_x_at	NM_016333	644	NP_057417	1389
17	45.4	-0.10	0.011	golgi SNAP receptor complex member 2	GOSR2	gi:12711466	Hs.432552	9570	DOWN	210009_s_at	NM_004287 ; NM_054022	233;234	NP_004278 ; NP_473363	984;985
18	37.8	-0.70	<.005	phosphoinositide-3-kinase, class 3	PIK3C3	gi:4505800	Hs.418150	5289	DOWN	204297_at	NM_002647	645	NP_002638	1390
18	41.9	-0.70	<.005	ATP synthase, H <sup>+</sup> transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, alpha subunit, isoform 1, cardiac muscle	ATP5A1	gi:4573764	Hs.298280	498	DOWN	213738_s_at	NM_004046	646	NP_004037	1391
18	42.6	-0.41	0.031	Msx-interacting-zinc finger	MIZ1	gi:10720797	Hs.441069	9063	DOWN	214593_at	NM_004671 ; NM_173206	647;648	NP_004662 ; NP_775298	1392;1393
18	42.6	-0.50	0.008	Msx-interacting-zinc finger	MIZ1	gi:3643114	Hs.441069	9063	DOWN	37433_at	NM_004671 ; NM_173206	649;650	NP_004662 ; NP_775298	1394;1395
18	42.9	-0.60	0.006	HSPC039 protein	HSPC039	gi:7770186	Hs.406542	51124	DOWN	211406_at	NM_016097	651	NP_037181 ; NP_060992	1396
18	66.1	-0.42	0.034	suppressor of cytokine signaling 4	Socs4	gi:4757991	Hs.44439	9306	DOWN	214462_at	NM_004232	652	NP_004223	1397
18	72.8	-0.48	0.011	myelin basic protein	MBP	gi:4503122	Hs.408543	4155	DOWN	207323_s_at	NM_002385	653	NP_002376	1398

18	75.3	-0.31	0.005	nuclear factor of activated T-cells, cytoplasmic, calcineurin-dependent 1	NFATC1	gi:500651	Hs.512591	4772	DOWN	210161_at	NM_006162; NM_172387; NM_172388; NM_172389; NM_172390	654;655;666;657; 658	NP_066153; NP_765975; NP_765976; NP_765977; NP_765978	1399;1400;1401; 1402;1403
18	75.5	-0.60	<0.005	CTD (carboxy-terminal domain, RNA polymerase II, polypeptide A) phosphatase, subunit 1	CTDP1	gi:4758093	Hs.4076	9150	DOWN	205035_at	NM_004715; NM_048368	659;660	NP_004706; NP_430255	1404;1405
18	75.7	-0.58	<0.005	hypothetical protein FLJ22378	FLJ22378	gi:13376629	Hs.288284	80148	DOWN	218208_at	NM_025078	661	NP_079354	1406
18	75.8	-0.61	<0.005	similar to <i>S. pombe</i> dim1+	DIM1	gi:12654440	Hs.433683	10907	DOWN	202835_at	NM_006701	662	NP_006692	1407
18	75.8	-0.53	<0.005	hypothetical protein FLJ21172	FLJ21172	gi:13376184	Hs.444642	79863	DOWN	219419_at	NM_028805	663	NP_079081	1408
18	75.9	-0.28	<0.005	KIAA0863 protein	KIAA0863	gi:10434228	Hs.131915	22850	DOWN	203321_s_at	XM_377498	664	XP_377498	1409
19	51.5	-0.81	0.018	protein phosphatase 5, catalytic subunit	PPP5C	gi:5453957	Hs.431861	5536	DOWN	201979_s_at	NM_006247	319	NP_006238	1070
19	59.3	-0.32	<0.005	PRP31 pre-mRNA processing factor 31 homolog (Yeast)	PRPF31	gi:7661653	Hs.312927	26121	DOWN	202408_s_at	NM_015629	370	NP_056444	1121
19	59.9	-0.40	0.047	killer cell immunoglobulin-like receptor, two domains, long cytoplasmic tail, 1	KIR2DL1	gi:897908	Hs.512572	3802	DOWN	210890_x_at	NM_014218	665	NP_055033	1410
19	60.1	-0.18	0.016	natural cytotoxicity triggering receptor 1	NCK1	gi:4758691	Hs.97084	9437	DOWN	207860_at	NM_004829	666	NP_004820	1411
21	45	-0.51	0.025	SMT3 suppressor of mit two 3 homolog 1 (Yeast)	SMT3H1	gi:5902095	Hs.85119	6612	DOWN	200740_s_at	NM_006936	667	NP_008867	1412
21	45.1	-0.84	<0.005	pituitary tumour-transforming 1 interacting protein	PITG1IP	gi:11038670	Hs.369026	754	DOWN	200677_at	NM_004339	668	NP_004330	1413
21	46.9	-0.31	0.05	HMT1 histone methyltransferase-like 1 ( <i>S. cerevisiae</i> )	HRMT1L1	gi:4504494	Hs.154163	3275	DOWN	202098_s_at	NM_001555	669	NP_001526	1414
22	21.3	-0.42	0.038	POM121 membrane glycoprotein-like 1 (rat)	POM121L1	gi:7657468	Hs.380370	25812	DOWN	214570_x_at	NM_014348	670	NP_055163	1415
22	21.3	-0.57	0.012	immunoglobulin lambda joining 3	JGLJ3	gi:13171335	Hs.102950	28831	DOWN	216846_at		1509		1510
22	21.8	-0.50	0.015	RAB36, member RAS oncogene family	RAB36	gi:6049163	Hs.369557	9609	DOWN	211471_s_at	NM_004914	671	NP_004905	1416

22	21.9	-0.64	<0.005	breakpoint cluster region	BCR	gi:11038638	Hs.446394	613	DOWN	202315_s_at	NM_004327 ; NM_021574	672;673	NP_004318; NP_067385	1417;1418
22	22.2	-0.65	0.009	immunoglobulin lambda-like polypeptide 1	IGLL1	gi:13399297	Hs.348935	3543	DOWN	206660_at	NM_020070 ; NM_152855	674;675	NP_064455; NP_690594	1419;1420
22	22.3	-0.52	0.013	Homo sapiens, clone IMAGE:5728597, mRNA		gi:292400	Hs.272302	375159	DOWN	215816_at		1511		1512
22	22.4	-0.45	0.03	matrix metalloproteinase 11 (stromelysin 3)	MMP11	gi:5177469	Hs.143751	4320	DOWN	203876_s_at	NM_005940	676	NP_005931	1421
22	22.4	-1.28	<0.005	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily b, member 1	SMARCB1	gi:4507076	Hs.512700	6598	DOWN	206532_at	NM_003073	677	NP_003064	1422
22	22.7	-1.44	<0.005	glutathione S-transferase theta 1	GSTT1	gi:4504184	Hs.268573	2952	DOWN	203815_at	NM_000853	678	NP_000844	1423
22	23.2	-0.58	0.028	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein D3 polypeptide 18kDa	SNRPD3	gi:4759159	Hs.356549	6634	DOWN	202567_at	NM_004175	679	NP_004166	1424
22	25.1	-0.48	0.014	Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome 4	HPS4	gi:5420802	Hs.441481	89781	DOWN	34037_at	NM_022081 ; NM_152840 ; NM_152841 ; NM_152842 ; NM_152843	680;681;682;683 ; 684	NP_071364; NP_690053 ; NP_690054 ; NP_690055 ; NP_690056	1425;1426;1427 ; 1428;1429
22	25.1	-0.64	<0.005	Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome 4	HPS4	gi:11559920	Hs.441481	89781	DOWN	218402_s_at	NM_022081 ; NM_152840 ; NM_152841 ; NM_152842 ; NM_152843	685;686;687;688 ; 689	NP_071364; NP_690053 ; NP_690054 ; NP_690055 ; NP_690056	1430;1431;1432 ; 1433;1434
22	25.2	-0.15	<0.005	tuffin interacting protein 11	TFIP11	gi:5262598	Hs.20225	24144	DOWN	202750_s_at	NM_012143	690	NP_036275	1435
22	25.3	-0.52	0.046	crystallin, beta A4	CRYBA4	gi:4503058	Hs.57690	1413	DOWN	206843_at	NM_001866	691	NP_001877	1436

22	26.4	-0.67	0.033	memaglorin (disrupted in balanced translocation) 1	MN1	gi:4505222	Hs.268515	4330	DOWN	205330_at	NM_002430	692	NP_002421	1437
22	27.4	-0.73	0.035	CHK2 checkpoint homolog (S. pombe)	CHEK2	gi:13278893	Hs.146329	11200	DOWN	210416_s_at	NM_007194; NM_145862	693;694;	NP_009125; NP_665861	1438;1439
22	28.2	-0.07	0.033	chromosome 22 open reading frame 19	C2orf19	gi:13177658	Hs.73561	8563	DOWN	209418_s_at		1513		1514
22	28.5	-0.55	0.024	ASC-1 complex subunit P100	ASC1p100	gi:5419897	Hs.436407	84164	DOWN	215684_s_at	NM_032204	695	NP_115580	1440
22	29	-0.84	<.005	splicing factor 3a, subunit 1, 120kDa	SF3A1	gi:5032086	Hs.406277	10291	DOWN	201357_s_at	NM_005877	696	NP_005868	1441
22	29.1	-0.87	<.005	SEC14-like 2 (S. cerevisiae)	SEC14L2	gi:7110714	Hs.430376	23541	DOWN	204541_at	NM_012429	697	NP_036561	1442
22	30	-1.48	<.005	zinc finger protein 278	ZNF278	gi:5954374	Hs.27801	23598	DOWN	209431_s_at	NM_014323; NM_032030 NM_032031; NM_032052	698;699;700;701	NP_055138; NP_114439; NP_114440; NP_114441	1443;1444;1445; 1446
22	30.2	-0.73	<.005	KIAA0542 gene product	KIAA0542	gi:6635200	Hs.62209	9814	DOWN	213431_x_at	XM_038520	702	XP_038520	1447
22	30.2	-1.14	<.005	KIAA0542 gene product	KIAA0542	gi:3043607	Hs.62209	9814	DOWN	36545_s_at	XM_038520	703	XP_038520	1448
22	30.3	-0.66	<.005	phosphatidylserine decarboxylase	PISD	gi:13489111	Hs.8128	23761	DOWN	202392_s_at	NM_014338	704	NP_055153	1449
22	30.3	-0.84	<.005	KIAA0542 gene product	KIAA0542	gi:5596770	Hs.62209	9814	DOWN	215699_x_at	XM_038520	705	XP_038520	1450
22	30.6	-0.72	<.005	KIAA0645 gene product	KIAA0645	gi:7662221	Hs.435022	9681	DOWN	205223_at	XM_377498	706	XP_376007	1451
22	30.6	-0.45	0.021	tyrosine 3-monooxygenase/tryptophan 5-monooxygenase activation protein, eta polypeptide	YWHAH	gi:4507950	Hs.226755	7533	DOWN	201020_at	NM_003405	707	NP_003396	1452
22	31.2	-0.72	0.011	Homo sapiens, clone IMAGE:4818531, mRNA		gi:10030150	Hs.150167		DOWN	215762_at		1515		
22	31.5	-0.50	0.027	tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 3 (Sorby fibrosis dystrophy, pseudoinflammatory)	TIMP3	gi:1519557	Hs.245188	7078	DOWN	201149_s_at	NM_000362	708	NP_000353	1453
22	34	-0.37	0.047	target of myb1 (chicken)	TOM1	gi:4885636	Hs.9482	10043	DOWN	202807_s_at	NM_005488	709	NP_005479	1454

22	34.3	-0.48	0.039	apolipoprotein L, 6	APOL6	gi:13449280	Hs.257352	80830	DOWN	219716_at	NM_030641	710	NP_083144	1455
22	34.4	-0.76	<.005	RNA binding motif protein 9	RBM9	gi:1267308	Hs.433574	23543	DOWN	212104_s_at	NM_014309	711	NP_055124	1456
22	34.8	-0.62	0.013	apolipoprotein L, 3	APOL3	gi:7656972	Hs.241535	80833	DOWN	221087_s_at	NM_014349; NM_030644; NM_145639; NM_145640; NM_145641; NM_145642	712;713;714;715; 716;717	NP_055164; NP_083147; NP_663614; NP_663615; NP_663616; NP_663617	1457;1458;1459; 1460;1461;1462
22	34.9	-0.66	<.005	apolipoprotein L, 2	APOL2	gi:13325155	Hs.398037	23780	DOWN	221653_x_at	NM_030882; NM_145657	718;719	NP_112092; NP_663612	1463;1464
22	34.9	-0.44	0.032	myosin, heavy polypeptide 9, non-muscle	MYH9	gi:5448699	Hs.146550	4627	DOWN	211926_s_at	NM_002473	720	NP_002464	1465
22	35	-0.84	<.005	thioredoxin 2	TXN2	gi:4200326	Hs.211929	25828	DOWN	209077_at	NM_012473	721	NP_036605	1466
22	35.1	-1.23	<.005	thioredoxin 2	TXN2	gi:9280552	Hs.211929	25828	DOWN	209078_s_at	NM_012473	722	NP_036605	1467
22	35.1	-1.11	<.005	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3, subunit 7 zeta, 56/67kDa	EIF3S7	gi:4503522	Hs.55682	8664	DOWN	200005_at	NM_003753	723	NP_003744	1468
22	35.6	-0.37	0.046	thiosulfate sulfurtransferase (rhodanese)	TST	gi:1877030	Hs.351863	7263	DOWN	209605_at	NM_003312	724	NP_003303	1469
22	35.6	-0.64	0.005	mercaptopyruvate sulfurtransferase	MPST	gi:13489090	Hs.248267	4357	DOWN	203524_s_at	NM_021126	725	NP_066949	1470
22	35.6	-0.58	0.01	hypothetical protein FLJ12242	FLJ12242	gi:13489098	Hs.94810	79734	DOWN	205561_at	NM_024681	726	NP_078957	1471
22	36.1	-0.53	0.033	manic fringe homolog (Drosophila)	MFNG	gi:5175720	Hs.371768	4242	DOWN	213783_at	NM_002405	727	NP_002396	1472
22	36.1	-0.20	0.015	caspase recruitment domain family, member 10	CARD10	gi:5877877	Hs.57973	29775	DOWN	214207_s_at	NM_014550	728	NP_055365	1473

22	36.2	-1.08	<.005	golgi associated, gamma adaptin ear containing, ARF binding protein 1	GGAI	gi:9558728	Hs.405689	26088	DOWN	218114_at	NM_013365	729	NP_037497	1474
22	36.2	-0.62	0.023	golgi associated, gamma adaptin ear containing, ARF binding protein 1	GGA1	gi:5858473	Hs.405689	26088	DOWN	45572_s_at	NM_013365	730	NP_037497	1475
22	36.2	-0.61	0.026	SH3-domain binding protein 1	SH3BP1	gi:11545732	Hs.511954	23616	DOWN	213633_at	NM_018957	731	NP_061830	1476
22	36.4	-0.76	0.021	glycine C-acetyltransferase (L-amino-3-ketobutyrate coenzyme A ligase)	GCA1	gi:7657117	Hs.54609	23464	DOWN	205164_at	NM_014291	732	NP_055106	1477
22	36.5	-1.41	<.005	polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide F	POLR2F	gi:13097770	Hs.46405	5435	DOWN	209511_at	NM_021974	733	NP_068809	1478
22	36.9	-1.89	0.042	casein kinase 1, epsilon	CSNK1E	gi:6471575	Hs.355669	1454	DOWN	222015_at	NM_001894 ; NM_152221	734;735	NP_001885 ; NP_689407	1479;1480
22	37.1	-0.88	<.005	KDEL (Lys-Asp-Glu-Leu) endoplasmic reticulum protein retention receptor 3	KDELR3	gi:8051612	Hs.250696	11015	DOWN	204017_at	NM_006855 ; NM_016657	736;737	NP_006846 ; NP_057839	1481;1482
22	37.1	-0.54	0.026	DMC1 dosage suppressor of mek1 homolog, meiosis-specific homologous recombination (yeast)	DMC1	gi:1066000	Hs.339396	11144	DOWN	208382_s_at	NM_007068	738	NP_008999	1483
22	37.3	-0.48	0.028	chromosome 22 open reading frame 2	C22orf2	gi:7656941	Hs.334911	25776	DOWN	203450_at	NM_015373	739	NP_056188	1484
22	37.3	-0.47	0.038	translocase of outer mitochondrial membrane 22 homolog (yeast)	TOMM22	gi:9910381	Hs.285005	56993	DOWN	217960_s_at	NM_020243	740	NP_064628	1485
22	37.3	-0.75	<.005	KIAA0063 gene product	KIAA0063	gi:7661887	Hs.3094	9929	DOWN	201751_at	NM_014876	741	NP_055691	1486
22	37.3	-0.41	0.036	wuc-84 homolog B (C. elegans)	UNC84B	gi:4582132	Hs.406612	25777	DOWN	212144_at	NM_015374	742	NP_056189	1487
22	37.3	-0.50	0.016	GTP binding protein 1	GTPBP1	gi:1916924	Hs.283677	9567	DOWN	205274_at	NM_004286	743	NP_004277 ; NP_054746	1488
22	37.3	-1.04	<.005	GTP binding protein 1	GTPBP1	gi:7661735	Hs.283677	9567	DOWN	219557_at	NM_004286	744	NP_004277 ; NP_054746	1489
22	37.8	-0.43	0.008	platelet-derived growth factor beta polypeptide (human sarcoma viral (v-sis) oncogene homolog)	PDGFB	gi:11012269	Hs.1976	5155	DOWN	216061_x_at	NM_002608 ; NM_033016	745;746	NP_002599 ; NP_148937	1490;1491
22	38	-0.54	0.042	mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 7 interacting protein 1	MAP3K7IP1	gi:5174702	Hs.403927	10454	DOWN	203901_at	NM_006116 ; NM_153497	747;748	NP_006107 ; NP_705717	1492;1493

22	38.1	-0.56	0.047	mannosyl (beta-1,4)-glycoprotein beta-1,4-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase	MGAT3	gi:6031184	Hs.276808	4248	DOWN	208058_s_at	NM_002409	749	NP_002400	1494
22	38.1	-0.64	0.03	hypothetical protein FLJ20232	FLJ20232	gi:12803520	Hs.505742	54471	DOWN	221516_s_at	NM_019008	750	NP_061881	1495
22	38.1	-0.62	0.018	hypothetical protein FLJ20232	FLJ20232	gi:1524716	Hs.505742	54471	DOWN	204593_s_at	NM_019008	751	NP_061881	1496
22	38.1	-0.48	0.041	activating transcription factor 4 (tax-responsive enhancer element B67)	ATF4	gi:4502264	Hs.181243	468	DOWN	200779_at	NM_001675 ; NM_182810	752;753	NP_001666; NP_877962	1497;1498
22	38.2	-0.52	0.043	mannosyl (beta-1,4)-glycoprotein beta-1,4-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase	MGAT3	gi:4914501	Hs.276808	4248	DOWN	209764_at	NM_002409	754	NP_002400	1499
22	39	-0.26	0.022	hypothetical protein DJ1042K10.2	DJ1042K10.2	gi:11034850	Hs.22129	27352	DOWN	203014_x_at	NM_015705	755	NP_056520	1500

Table 5: Markers of the invention which reside in MCRs of amplification and display increased expression.														
Chromosome	Pos (Mb)	Gene Weight	Minimum p value	Gene Description	Gene Symbol	GI	UCID#	Locus Link	Regulation	Probes	Ref Seq mRNA ID	SEQ ID NO.: Nuc.	Ref Seq Prot ID	SEQ ID NO.: A.A.
1	26.8	1.03	0.032	nuclear distribution gene C homolog (A. nidulans)	NUDC	gi:5729952	Hs.263812	10726	UP	201173_x_at	NM_006600	445	NP_006591	1196
1	116.9	2.41	0.038	transcription termination factor, RNA polymerase II	TTF2	gi:5733121	Hs.201774	8458	UP	204407_at	NM_003594	1	NP_003585	756
1	117.8	0.85	0.029	WD repeat domain 3	WDR3	gi:5803220	Hs.201375	10885	UP	218882_s_at	NM_006784	2	NP_006775	757
2	11.3	0.06	0.035	hypothetical protein MGC33602	MGC33602	gi:728008	Hs.274415	130814	UP	216458_at	NM_152391	458	NP_689604	1209
5	0.2	0.69	<.005	succinate dehydrogenase complex, subunit A, flavoprotein (Fp)	SDHA	gi:4759079	Hs.440475	6389	UP	201093_x_at	NM_004168	3	NP_004159	758
5	0.3	0.85	<.005	programmed cell death 6	PDCD6	gi:7019484	Hs.24087	10016	UP	203415_at	NM_013232	4	NP_037364	759
5	0.5	0.95	<.005	Sec 6 (S. cerevisiae) homolog	SEC6	gi:3002726	Hs.448380	11336	UP	212630_at	NM_007277	5	NP_009208	760
5	0.6	0.58	0.005	hypothetical protein FLJ10565	FLJ10565	gi:8922520	Hs.100824	5722	UP	219531_at	NM_018140	6	NP_060610	761
5	0.9	0.77	<.005	hypothetical protein FLJ13441	FLJ13441	gi:12565190	Hs.449278	65980	UP	220155_s_at	NM_023924	7	NP_076413	762
5	1.5	0.60	0.014	hypothetical protein FLJ12443	FLJ12443	gi:13376233	Hs.179882	79888	UP	201818_at	NM_024830	8	NP_079106	763
5	1.8	0.96	<.005	NADH dehydrogenase (ubiquinone) Fe-S protein 6, 13kDa (NADH-coenzyme Q reductase)	NDUFS6	gi:4758791	Hs.408257	4726	UP	203606_at	NM_004553	9	NP_004544	764
5	5.5	0.72	0.005	KIAA0947 protein	KIAA0947	gi:13436178	Hs.5070	23379	UP	209654_at	XM_029101	10	XP_029101	765
6	32	0.67	0.032	tenascin XB	TNXB	gi:8361667	Hs.411644	7148	UP	213451_x_at	NM_019105 ; NM_032470	11;12	NP_061978 ; NP_115859	766;767
6	42.9	1.03	<.005	trinucleotide repeat containing 5	TNRCS	gi:13325207	Hs.414099	10695	UP	217931_at	NM_006586 ; NM_183010	13;14	NP_006577 ; NP_898828	768;769
6	43	0.25	0.005	protein phosphatase 2, regulatory subunit B (B56), delta isoform	PPP2R5D	gi:5453953	Hs.118244	5528	UP	202513_s_at	NM_006243 ; NM_180976 ; NM_180977	15;16;17	NP_006236 ; NP_851307 ; NP_851308	770;771;772
7	0.8	0.47	0.017	G protein-coupled receptor 30	GPR30	gi:1381668	Hs.113207	2852	UP	211829_s_at	NM_001505	18	NP_001496	773
7	1.2	0.56	<.005	G protein-coupled receptor 30	GPR30	gi:2656120	Hs.113207	2852	UP	210640_s_at	NM_001505	19	NP_001496	774
7	1.2	0.14	<.005	DKEZP58610619 protein	DKEZP58610619	gi:10809392	Hs.112184	26173	UP	212212_s_at	XM_291222	20	XP_291222	775
7	1.5	0.64	<.005	MICAL-like 2	FLJ23471	gi:13376030	Hs.376617	79778	UP	219332_at	NM_024723 ; NM_182924	21;22	NP_078999 ; NP_891554	776;777

7	1.6	0.40	0.026	v-maf musculoaponeurotic fibrosarcoma oncogene homolog K (avian)	MAFK	gi:4505074	Hs.131953	7975	UP	206750_at	NM_002360	23	NP_002351	778
7	2.1	0.95	<0.005	MAD1 mitotic arrest deficient-like 1 (yeast)	MAD1L1	gi:4505064	Hs.7345	8379	UP	204857_at	NM_003550	24	NP_003541	779
7	30.7	0.47	0.027	glycyl-tRNA synthetase	GARS	gi:577711	Hs.293885	2617	UP	208693_s_at	NM_002047	25	NP_002038	780
7	64.9	1.19	0.008	argininosuccinate lyase	ASL	gi:4502256	Hs.442047	435	UP	204508_at	NM_000048	26	NP_000039	781
7	65	0.87	0.02	calcium gene-related peptide-receptor component protein	RCP9	gi:7656976	Hs.300684	27297	UP	203899_s_at	NM_014478	27	NP_055293	782
7	65.5	1.17	<0.005	Potassium channel tetramerisation domain containing 2	KCTD7	gi:5596067	Hs.119683	154881	UP	213474_at	NM_153033	28	NP_694578	783
7	65.6	1.04	<0.005	RAB guanine nucleotide exchange factor (GEF) 1	RABGEF1	gi:7657495	Hs.187660	27342	UP	218310_at	NM_014504	29	NP_045319	784
7	65.8	1.42	<0.005	hypothetical protein FLJ10099	FLJ10099	gi:8922228	Hs.287955	55069	UP	218008_at	NM_017994	30	NP_060464	785
7	93.2	0.69	<0.005	BET1 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	BET1	gi:12654162	Hs.21303	10282	UP	202710_at	NM_005868	31	NP_005859	786
7	93.7	0.37	0.05	O-acetyltransferase	CAS1	gi:12597638	Hs.324725	64921	UP	219342_at	NM_022900	32	NP_075051	787
7	94.6	0.43	0.032	paraoxonase 3	PON3	gi:1333633	Hs.440967	5446	UP	213695_at	NM_000940	33	NP_000931	788
7	94.6	1.07	<0.005	paraoxonase 2	PON2	gi:2283776	Hs.165598	5445	UP	210830_s_at	NM_000305	34	NP_000296	789
7	94.8	0.50	0.015	pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase, isoenzyme 4	PDK4	gi:4505692	Hs.8364	5166	UP	205960_at	NM_002612	35	NP_002603	790
7	95.4	0.57	0.017	solute carrier family 25, member 13 (citrin)	SLC25A13	gi:7657580	Hs.9599	10165	UP	203775_at	NM_014251	36	NP_055066	791
7	95.9	1.01	<0.005	split hand/foot malformation (ectrodactyly) type 1	SHPM1	gi:453639	Hs.333495	7979	UP	202276_at	NM_006304	37	NP_006295	792
7	96.3	0.42	0.045	ACN9 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	ACN9	gi:9910179	Hs.42785	57001	UP	218981_at	NM_020186	38	NP_064571	793
7	97.1	0.77	<0.005	asparagine synthetase	ASNS	gi:4502258	Hs.446546	440	UP	205047_s_at	NM_001673 ; NM_133436 ; NM_183356	39;40;41	NP_001664 ; NP_597680 ; NP_899199	794;795;796
7	97.2	1.23	<0.005	Homo sapiens transcribed sequence with weak similarity to protein p17-PC4369 (H.sapiens) PC4369 olfactory receptor, HT2 - human (fragment)		gi:8008445	Hs.512431		UP	217499_x_at		1516		
7	97.3	0.89	<0.005	kinase phosphatase inhibitor 2	KIF2	gi:7662475	Hs.122708	22853	UP	206223_at	NM_014916	42	NP_055731	797
7	98.1	0.94	<0.005	transformation/transcription domain-associated protein	TRRAP	gi:4507690	Hs.203952	8295	UP	202642_s_at	NM_003496	43	NP_003487	798
7	98.2	0.66	<0.005	E3 ubiquitin ligase SMURF1	SMURF1	gi:4738848	Hs.436249	57154	UP	213668_at	NM_020429 ; NM_181349	44;45	NP_065162 ; NP_851994	799;800
7	98.2	0.70	<0.005	transformation/transcription domain-associated protein	TRRAP	gi:3694662	Hs.203952	8295	UP	214908_a_at	NM_003496	46	NP_003487	801
7	98.2	0.58	0.02	E3 ubiquitin ligase SMURF1	SMURF1	gi:6446605	Hs.436249	57154	UP	215458_a_at	NM_020429 ; NM_181349	47;48	NP_065162 ; NP_851994	802;803

7	98.2	0.63	0.005	Homo sapiens cDNA: FLJ21284 fs, clone COLO1911		gi:10437358	Hs_288218		UP	215589_at	1517	-
7	98.5	0.49	0.013	Homo sapiens clone 24438 mRNA sequence		gi:3283921	Hs_124126		UP	215437_at	1518	-
7	98.5	0.99	<.005	actin related protein 2/3 complex, subunit 1A, 41kDa	ARPC1A	gi:5454077	Hs_291981	10552	UP	200950_at	49	NP_006400
7	98.5	1.01	<.005	actin related protein 2/3 complex, subunit 1B, 41kDa	ARPC1B	gi:5031600	Hs_433506	10095	UP	201954_at	50	NP_005711
7	98.7	0.76	<.005	zinc finger protein 95 homolog (mouse)	ZFP95	gi:11036641	Hs_110839	23660	UP	203731_s_at	51;52	NP_055384; NP_659570
7	98.8	0.60	0.005	cytochrome P450, family 3, subfamily A, polypeptide 5	CYP3A5	gi:945005	Hs_150276	15177	UP	214234_s_at	53	NP_000768
7	98.8	0.67	<.005	cytochrome P450, family 3, subfamily A, polypeptide 5	CYP3A5	gi:4503230	Hs_150276	15177	UP	203765_at	54	NP_000768
7	99.3	0.59	0.014	adaptor-related protein complex 4, min 1 subunit	AP4M1	gi:5442365	Hs_194703	9179	UP	209837_at	55	NP_004713
7	99.3	0.98	<.005	TAF6 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor, 80kDa	TAF6	gi:5032146	Hs_289950	6878	UP	NM_005641; NM_139122; NM_139123; NM_139115	56;57;58;59	NP_005632; NP_620834; NP_620835; NP_647476
7	99.5	0.38	0.035	postmeiotic segregation increased 2-like 6	PMS2L6	gi:4175684	Hs_367667	5384	UP	215667_x_at	1519	-
7	99.8	0.94	0.05	guanine nucleotide binding protein (G protein), beta polypeptide 2	GNB2	gi:4885282	Hs_185172	2783	UP	200852_x_at	60	NP_003264
7	100	0.67	0.005	solute carrier family 12 (potassium/chloride transporters), member 9	SLC12A9	gi:9910385	Hs_437628	56996	UP	220371_s_at	61	NP_064631
7	100.4	0.94	<.005	procollagen-lysine, 2-oxoglutarate 5-dioxygenase 3	PLOD3	gi:4505890	Hs_153357	8985	UP	202185_at	62	NP_001075
7	100.4	0.50	0.018	zinc finger, HIT domain containing 1	ZNFH1	gi:5453616	Hs_211079	10467	UP	201541_s_at	63	NP_006340
7	100.4	0.36	0.044	tetratricopeptide repeat domain 11	TTC11	gi:7705631	Hs_423968	51024	UP	218034_at	64	NP_057152
7	100.8	0.36	0.047	myosin light chain 2, precursor lymphocyte-specific	MYLC2PL	gi:12803868	Hs_247831	93408	UP	221659_s_at	65	NP_612412
7	101.6	0.35	0.007	chromosome 7 open reading frame 19	C7orf19	gi:12357031	Hs_289053	80228	UP	218811_at	66	NP_079432; NP_116220
7	101.6	0.49	0.02	HSPC047 protein	HSPC047	gi:7661749	Hs_512142	29060	UP	220692_at	67	NP_054866
7	101.6	0.36	0.05	polymerase (RNA) II (DNA directed) polypeptide J, 13.3kDa	POLR2J	gi:5100572	Hs_489461	5439	UP	212707_s_at	68	NP_006225
7	101.7	0.38	0.038	DNA directed RNA polymerase II polypeptide J-related gene	POLR2J2	gi:10036750	Hs_406505	246721	UP	214740_at	69;70;71	NP_116580; NP_116581; NP_663165

7	101.7	0.48	<.005	DNA directed RNA polymerase II polypeptide J-related gene	POLR2J2	gi:5901957	Hs.406505	246721	UP	208534_s_at	NM_032958 ; NM_032959 ; NM_145325	72;73;74	NP_116580; NP_116581; NP_663165	827;828;829
7	105	0.84	<.005	hypothetical protein MGC3190	MGC3190	gi:3231718	Hs.211068	222255	UP	214342_at	NM_152749	75	NP_689962	830
7	105.3	0.36	0.03	synapophysin-like protein	SYPL	gi:5235354	Hs.80919	6856	UP	201259_s_at	NM_006754 ; NM_182715	76;77	NP_006745; NP_874384	831;832
7	106.8	0.76	0.048	solute carrier family 26, member 4	SLC26A4	gi:4505696	Hs.512611	5172	UP	206529_x_at	NM_000441	78	NP_000432	833
7	106.9	0.48	0.041	Cas-Br-M (murine) ecotropic retroviral transforming sequence-like 1	CBLL1	gi:1376203	Hs.458382	79872	UP	220018_at	NM_024814	79	NP_079090	834
7	107.1	0.69	0.01	dihydroliponamide dehydrogenase (E3 component of pyruvate dehydrogenase complex, 2-oxo-glutarate complex, branched chain keto acid dehydrogenase complex)	DLD	gi:181574	Hs.74635	1738	UP	209092_at	NM_000108	80	NP_000099	835
7	111.1	0.50	0.017	dedicator of cytokinesis 4	DOCK4	gi:7662263	Hs.118140	9732	UP	205003_at	NM_014705	81	NP_055520	836
8	37.7	0.60	0.037	G protein-coupled receptor 124	GPR124	gi:11594613	Hs.17270	25960	UP	221814_at	NM_032777	82	NP_116166	837
8	37.7	0.72	0.029	G protein-coupled receptor 124	GPR124	gi:4739882	Hs.17270	25960	UP	65718_at	NM_032777	83	NP_116166	838
8	37.7	1.12	<.005	BRF2, subunit of RNA polymerase III transcription initiation factor, BRF1-like	BRF2	gi:11096174	Hs.274136	55290	UP	218954_s_at	NM_018310	84	NP_060780	839
8	37.9	0.56	0.008	ash2 (absent, small, or homeotic)-like (Drosophila)	ASH2L	gi:4417209	Hs.6856	9070	UP	209517_s_at	NM_004674	85	NP_004665	840
8	38	0.66	0.005	LSM1 homolog, U6 small nuclear RNA associated (S. cerevisiae)	LSM1	gi:7657312	Hs.425311	27257	UP	203534_at	NM_014462	86	NP_055277	841
8	38	0.39	0.046	BCL2-associated athanogene 4	BAG4	gi:6631074	Hs.194726	9530	UP	219624_at	NM_004874	87	NP_004865	842
8	38.1	0.83	<.005	KIAA0725 protein	KIAA0725	gi:3882170	Hs.434966	23259	UP	212690_at	XM_291291	88	XP_291291	843
8	38.2	0.46	0.039	Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome candidate 1-like 1	WHSC1L1	gi:13699812	Hs.415895	54904	UP	218173_s_at	NM_017778 ; NM_023034	89;90	NP_060248; NP_075447	844;845
8	120.7	0.43	0.026	TAF2 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor, 150kDa	TAF2	gi:7022983	Hs.122752	6873	UP	209523_at	NM_003184	91	NP_003175	846
8	121.3	0.38	0.042	mitochondrial ribosomal protein L13	MORF13	gi:7662495	Hs.333823	28998	UP	218049_s_at	NM_014078	92	NP_054797	847
8	122.5	0.43	0.03	bisuluronan synthase 2	HAS2	gi:4885390	Hs.159226	3037	UP	206432_at	NM_005328	93	NP_005319	848
8	123.9	0.48	0.014	hypothetical protein MGC3067	MGC3067	gi:8924181	Hs.241576	79139	UP	218172_s_at	NM_024295	94	NP_061100; NP_077271	849
8	123.9	0.37	0.05	hypothetical protein MGC3067	MGC3067	gi:13236515	Hs.241576	79139	UP	219402_s_at	NM_024295	95	NP_061100; NP_077271	850
8	124.1	0.44	0.021	unknown MGC21654 product	MGC21654	gi:3231900	Hs.95631	93394	UP	214061_at	NM_145647	96	NP_663622	851

8	124.3	0.55	0.008	hypothetical protein FLJ10204	FLJ10204	gi:8922280	Hs.18029	55093	UP	219060_at	NM_018024	97	NP_060494	852
8	124.6	0.52	0.012	auxin A13	ANXA13	gi:4757553	Hs.18107	312	UP	208323_s_at	NM_004306	98	NP_004297	853
8	125.4	1.03	<0.005	ring finger 139	RNF139	gi:3395786	Hs.28285	11236	UP	209510_at	NM_007218	99	NP_009149	854
8	125.9	0.66	<0.005	KIAA0196 gene product	KIAA0196	gi:7661987	Hs.437991	9897	UP	201985_at	NM_014846	100	NP_055661	855
8	128.7	0.62	0.012	v-myc myelocytomatosis viral oncogene homolog (avian)	MYC	gi:12962934	Hs.202453	4609	UP	202431_s_at	NM_002467	101	NP_002458	856
8	128.9	0.62	0.017	Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ26234 fis, clone ADG09627		gi:190753	Hs.459222	37582	UP	216240_at		1520		
8	130.8	0.59	0.013	hypothetical protein BM-009	BM-009	gi:7705303	Hs.369973	51571	UP	217916_s_at	NM_016623	102	NP_057707	857
8	133.7	0.43	0.022	CGI-72 protein	CGI-72	gi:7705782	Hs.44159	51105	UP	219606_at	NM_016018 ; NM_024878 ; NM_032205 ; NM_198513	103;104;105;106	NP_057102 ; NP_079154 ; NP_115281 ; NP_940915	858;859;860;861
8	134.2	0.47	0.023	N-myc downstream regulated gene 1	NDRG1	gi:5174656	Hs.318567	10397	UP	200632_s_at	NM_006096	107	NP_006087	862
8	141.8	0.37	0.048	PTK2 protein tyrosine kinase 2	PTK2	gi:5405748	Hs.434281	5747	UP	208820_at	NM_005607 ; NM_153831	108;109	NP_005598 ; NP_722560	863;864
8	143.8	0.41	0.034	mesenchymal stem cell protein DSCD75	LOC51337	gi:7706199	Hs.25237	51337	UP	218500_at	NM_016647	110	NP_057731	865
8	144.5	0.59	0.009	KIAA0150 protein	KIAA0150	gi:1469881	Hs.370491	23144	UP	213445_at	NM_015117	111	NP_055932	866
8	144.7	0.37	0.037	hypothetical protein FLJ12150	FLJ12150	gi:13376037	Hs.118983	79792	UP	218154_at	NM_024736	112	NP_079012	867
8	144.7	0.37	0.032	eukaryotic translation elongation factor 1 delta (guanine nucleotide exchange protein)	EEF1D	gi:4622550	Hs.334798	1936	UP	214394_x_at	NM_001960 ; NM_032378	113;114	NP_001951 ; NP_115754	868;869
8	144.8	0.73	<0.005	tissue specific transplantation antigen P35B	TSTA3	gi:6598326	Hs.404119	7264	UP	201644_at	NM_003313	115	NP_003304	870
8	144.8	0.80	<0.005	tissue specific transplantation antigen P35B	TSTA3	gi:1381178	Hs.404119	7264	UP	36936_at	NM_003313	116	NP_003304	871
8	144.8	0.61	0.01	KIAA0628 gene product	KIAA0628	gi:7662213	Hs.43133	9831	UP	206188_at		1521		1522
8	144.9	0.46	0.022	scribble	SCRIB	gi:4331493	Hs.456329	23513	UP	212555_at	NM_015356 ; NM_182706	117	NP_056171 ; NP_874365	872;873
8	145.2	0.61	<0.005	5-oxoprolinase (ATP-hydrolyzing)	OPLAH	gi:5838792	Hs.305882	26873	UP	222025_s_at	XM_291266	118	XP_291266	874
8	145.2	0.49	0.014	exosome complex exonuclease RRP41	RRP41	gi:4534672	Hs.343589	54512	UP	91682_at	NM_019037	119	NP_061910	875
8	145.2	0.55	0.012	exosome complex exonuclease RRP41	RRP41	gi:9506688	Hs.343589	54512	UP	218695_at	NM_019037	120	NP_061910	876
8	145.2	0.46	0.021	exosome complex exonuclease RRP41	RRP41	gi:5408517	Hs.343589	54512	UP	58696_at	NM_019037	121	NP_061910	877
8	145.2	0.37	0.031	GPAALP anchor attachment protein 1 homolog (yeast)	GPAAL1	gi:6031166	Hs.4742	8733	UP	201618_x_at	NM_003801	122	NP_003792	878

8	145.2	0.51	0.009	GPAAP anchor attachment protein 1 homolog (yeast); GPAAP anchor attachment protein 1 homolog (yeast)	GPAAP1	gi:15623546	Hs:4742 ; Hs:4742	8733 ; 8733	UP	211060_x_at	NM_003801	123	NP_003792	879
8	145.2	0.45	0.014	GPAAP anchor attachment protein 1 homolog (yeast)	GPAAP1	gi:7018511	Hs:4742	8733	UP	215690_x_at	NM_003801	124	NP_003792	880
8	145.2	0.43	0.021	cyochrome c-1	CYC1	gi:4503184	Hs:289271	1537	UP	201066_at	NM_001916	125	NP_001907	881
8	145.2	0.39	0.03	hypothetical protein DKFZp434N1923 ; hypothetical protein DKFZp434N1923	DKFZP434N1923	gi:13569949	Hs:293866 ; Hs:293866	81856 ; 81858	UP	220973_s_at	NM_030974	126	NP_112236	882
8	145.3	0.31	0.014	brain protein 16	LOC51236	gi:13124772	Hs:300224	51236	UP	219071_x_at	NM_016458	127	NP_057542	883
8	145.5	0.33	0.048	diacylglycerol O-acyltransferase homolog 1 (mouse)	DGAT1	gi:7382489	Hs:512810	8694	UP	203669_s_at	NM_012079	128	NP_036211	884
8	145.5	0.67	<.005	putative G-protein coupled receptor GPCR41	FLJ11856	gi:13375681	Hs:6459	79581	UP	218151_x_at	NM_024531	129	NP_078807	885
8	145.6	0.43	0.039	cleavage and polyadenylation specific factor 1, 160kDa	CPSF1	gi:10037183	Hs:83727	29894	UP	201638_s_at	NM_013291	130	NP_037423	886
8	145.6	0.51	0.01	solute carrier family 39 (zinc transporter), member 4	SLC39A4	gi:8923304	Hs:411274	55630	UP	219215_s_at	NM_017767 ; NM_130849	131;132	NP_060237 ; NP_570901	887;878
8	145.6	0.43	0.031	vacuolar protein sorting 28 (yeast)	VPS28	gi:7705884	Hs:418175	51160	UP	218679_s_at	NM_016208 ; NM_183057	133;134	NP_057292 ; NP_988880	879;880
8	145.6	0.44	0.036	Homo sapiens mRNA, chromosome 1 specific transcript KIAA0496.		gi:7150895	Hs:459379		UP	215681_at		1523		.
9	21.9	0.02	<.005	methylthioadenosine phosphorylase	MTAP	gi:6006025	Hs:446152	4507	UP	204956_at	NM_002451	555	NP_002442	1303
9	35.6	0.48	<.005	tropomyosin 2 (testis)	TPM2	gi:12919494	Hs:300772	7169	UP	212654_at	NM_003289	135	NP_003280	891
9	35.7	0.52	0.013	talin 1	TLN1	gi:5454129	Hs:375001	7094	UP	203254_s_at	NM_006289	136	NP_006280	892
9	35.7	0.89	<.005	cAMP responsive element binding protein 3	CREB3	gi:2599559	Hs:287921	10488	UP	209432_s_at	NM_006368	137	NP_006359	893
9	35.7	0.84	<.005	KIAA0258	KIAA0258	gi:7662029	Hs:47313	9827	UP	203169_at	XM_376830	138	XP_376830	894
9	35.7	0.11	0.032	natriuretic peptide receptor B/guanylate cyclase B (natriuretic peptide receptor B)	NPR2	gi:2337354	Hs:78513	4882	UP	214066_x_at	NM_000907 ; NM_003995	139;140	NP_000898 ; NP_003986	895
9	35.8	0.67	0.006	nasopharyngeal carcinoma related protein	NGX6	gi:7706546	Hs:440953	51754	UP	207839_s_at	NM_016446	141	NP_057530	896
9	36.1	1.33	<.005	clathrin, light polypeptide (Lca)	CLTA	gi:6005992	Hs:207052	1211	UP	200960_x_at	NM_001833 ; NM_007096	142;143	NP_001824 ; NP_009027	897;898
9	36.2	0.20	0.005	clathrin, light polypeptide (Lca)	CLTA	gi:704460	Hs:207052	1211	UP	216293_at	NM_001833 ; NM_007096	144;145	NP_001824 ; NP_009027	899;900

9	36.3	0.49	0.021	ring finger protein 38	RNF38	gi:12232470	Hs.333503	152006	UP	218528_s_at	NM_022781; NM_194328; NM_194329; NM_194330; NM_194331; NM_194332	146;147;148;149;150;151	NP_073618; NP_919309; NP_919310; NP_919311; NP_919312; NP_919313	901;902;903;904;905;906
12	22.1	0.62	0.006	cytidine monophosphate N-acetylneuraminic acid synthetase	CMAS	gi:8923899	Hs.311346	55907	UP	218111_s_at	NM_018686	152	NP_061156	907
12	50	0.00	0.005	elastase 1, pancreatic	ELA1	gi:4503546	Hs.348395	1990	UP	206446_s_at	NM_001971	586	NP_001962	1331
12	54.8	0.77	0.033	myosin, light polypeptide 6, alkali, smooth muscle and non-muscle	MYL6	gi:2078857	Hs.77385	4637	UP	214002_at	NM_021019; NM_079423; NM_079424; NM_079425	610;611;612;613;614;615;616;617;618;619;620;621;622;623;624;625;626;627;628;629;630;631;632;633;634;635;636;637;638;639;640;641;642;643;644;645;646;647;648;649;650;651;652;653;654;655;656;657;658;659;660;661;662;663;664;665;666;667;668;669;670;671;672;673;674;675;676;677;678;679;680;681;682;683;684;685;686;687;688;689;690;691;692;693;694;695;696;697;698;699;700;701;702;703;704;705;706;707;708;709;710;711;712;713;714;715;716;717;718;719;720;721;722;723;724;725;726;727;728;729;730;731;732;733;734;735;736;737;738;739;740;741;742;743;744;745;746;747;748;749;750;751;752;753;754;755;756;757;758;759;760;761;762;763;764;765;766;767;768;769;770;771;772;773;774;775;776;777;778;779;780;781;782;783;784;785;786;787;788;789;790;791;792;793;794;795;796;797;798;799;800;801;802;803;804;805;806;807;808;809;810;811;812;813;814;815;816;817;818;819;820;821;822;823;824;825;826;827;828;829;830;831;832;833;834;835;836;837;838;839;840;841;842;843;844;845;846;847;848;849;850;851;852;853;854;855;856;857;858;859;860;861;862;863;864;865;866;867;868;869;870;871;872;873;874;875;876;877;878;879;880;881;882;883;884;885;886;887;888;889;890;891;892;893;894;895;896;897;898;899;900;901;902;903;904;905;906;907;908;909;910;911;912;913;914;915;916;917;918;919;920;921;922;923;924;925;926;927;928;929;930;931;932;933;934;935;936;937;938;939;940;941;942;943;944;945;946;947;948;949;950;951;952;953;954;955;956;957;958;959;960;961;962;963;964;965;966;967;968;969;970;971;972;973;974;975;976;977;978;979;980;981;982;983;984;985;986;987;988;989;990;991;992;993;994;995;996;997;998;999;1000	NP_066299; NP_524147; NP_524148; NP_524149	1355;1356;1357;1358
13	22.8	0.84	0.011	ADP-ribose/transferase (NAD <sup>+</sup> ; poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase)-like 1	ADPRTL1	gi:11496990	Hs.437959	143	UP	202239_at	NM_006437	153	NP_006428	908
13	23.6	0.67	0.035	myomubularin related protein 6	MTMR6	gi:1669390	Hs.79877	9107	UP	214429_at	NM_004685	154	NP_004676	909
13	24.5	2.81	0.042	ring finger protein (C3H2C3 type) 6	RNF6	gi:12656362	Hs.156885	6049	UP	210931_at	NM_005977; NM_183043; NM_183044; NM_183045	155;156;157;158;159;160;161;162;163;164;165;166;167;168;169;170;171;172;173;174;175;176;177;178;179;180;181;182;183;184;185;186;187;188;189;190;191;192;193;194;195;196;197;198;199;200;201;202;203;204;205;206;207;208;209;210;211;212;213;214;215;216;217;218;219;220;221;222;223;224;225;226;227;228;229;230;231;232;233;234;235;236;237;238;239;240;241;242;243;244;245;246;247;248;249;250;251;252;253;254;255;256;257;258;259;260;261;262;263;264;265;266;267;268;269;270;271;272;273;274;275;276;277;278;279;280;281;282;283;284;285;286;287;288;289;290;291;292;293;294;295;296;297;298;299;300;301;302;303;304;305;306;307;308;309;310;311;312;313;314;315;316;317;318;319;320;321;322;323;324;325;326;327;328;329;330;331;332;333;334;335;336;337;338;339;340;341;342;343;344;345;346;347;348;349;350;351;352;353;354;355;356;357;358;359;360;361;362;363;364;365;366;367;368;369;370;371;372;373;374;375;376;377;378;379;380;381;382;383;384;385;386;387;388;389;390;391;392;393;394;395;396;397;398;399;400;401;402;403;404;405;406;407;408;409;410;411;412;413;414;415;416;417;418;419;420;421;422;423;424;425;426;427;428;429;430;431;432;433;434;435;436;437;438;439;440;441;442;443;444;445;446;447;448;449;450;451;452;453;454;455;456;457;458;459;460;461;462;463;464;465;466;467;468;469;470;471;472;473;474;475;476;477;478;479;480;481;482;483;484;485;486;487;488;489;490;491;492;493;494;495;496;497;498;499;500;501;502;503;504;505;506;507;508;509;510;511;512;513;514;515;516;517;518;519;520;521;522;523;524;525;526;527;528;529;530;531;532;533;534;535;536;537;538;539;540;541;542;543;544;545;546;547;548;549;550;551;552;553;554;555;556;557;558;559;560;561;562;563;564;565;566;567;568;569;570;571;572;573;574;575;576;577;578;579;580;581;582;583;584;585;586;587;588;589;590;591;592;593;594;595;596;597;598;599;600;601;602;603;604;605;606;607;608;609;610;611;612;613;614;615;616;617;618;619;620;621;622;623;624;625;626;627;628;629;630;631;632;633;634;635;636;637;638;639;640;641;642;643;644;645;646;647;648;649;650;651;652;653;654;655;656;657;658;659;660;661;662;663;664;665;666;667;668;669;670;671;672;673;674;675;676;677;678;679;680;681;682;683;684;685;686;687;688;689;690;691;692;693;694;695;696;697;698;699;700;701;702;703;704;705;706;707;708;709;710;711;712;713;714;715;716;717;718;719;720;721;722;723;724;725;726;727;728;729;730;731;732;733;734;735;736;737;738;739;740;741;742;743;744;745;746;747;748;749;750;751;752;753;754;755;756;757;758;759;760;761;762;763;764;765;766;767;768;769;770;771;772;773;774;775;776;777;778;779;780;781;782;783;784;785;786;787;788;789;790;791;792;793;794;795;796;797;798;799;800;801;802;803;804;805;806;807;808;809;810;811;812;813;814;815;816;817;818;819;820;821;822;823;824;825;826;827;828;829;830;831;832;833;834;835;836;837;838;839;840;841;842;843;844;845;846;847;848;849;850;851;852;853;854;855;856;857;858;859;860;861;862;863;864;865;866;867;868;869;870;871;872;873;874;875;876;877;878;879;880;881;882;883;884;885;886;887;888;889;890;891;892;893;894;895;896;897;898;899;900;901;902;903;904;905;906;907;908;909;910;911;912;913;914;915;916;917;918;919;920;921;922;923;924;925;926;927;928;929;930;931;932;933;934;935;936;937;938;939;940;941;942;943;944;945;946;947;948;949;950;951;952;953;954;955;956;957;958;959;960;961;962;963;964;965;966;967;968;969;970;971;972;973;974;975;976;977;978;979;980;981;982;983;984;985;986;987;988;989;990;991;992;993;994;995;996;997;998;999;1000	NP_005968; NP_898864; NP_898865; NP_898866	910;911;912;913;914;915
13	112.9	0.32	0.011	UPF3 regulator of nonsense transcript homolog A (yeast)	UPF3A	gi:12620405	Hs.399740	65110	UP	206958_s_at	NM_023011; NM_080887	159;160	NP_075387; NP_542418	914;915
14	29.1	0.62	0.006	chromosome 14 open reading frame 163	C14orf163	gi:4240322	Hs.27023	23256	UP	215548_s_at	NM_016106; NM_182835	161;162	NP_057190; NP_878255	916;917
14	29.5	0.41	0.038	adaptor-related protein complex 4, sigma 1 subunit	AP4S1	gi:12654832	Hs.496514	11154	UP	210952_at	NM_007077	163	NP_009008	918
14	30.1	0.80	<.005	chromosome 14 open reading frame 127	C14orf127	gi:13376746	Hs.288981	80224	UP	220176_at	NM_025152	164	NP_079428	919
14	30.6	0.46	0.032	Rho GTPase activating protein 5	ARHGAP5	gi:5905160	Hs.409546	394	UP	217936_at	NM_001173	165	NP_001164	920
14	31.8	0.56	0.043	neuronal PAS domain protein 3	NPAS3	gi:11545846	Hs.243209	64067	UP	220316_at	NM_022123; NM_173159	166;167	NP_071406; NP_775182	921;922
14	32.9	1.12	0.007	chromosome 14 open reading frame 11	C14orf11	gi:8922092	Hs.433269	55837	UP	202623_at	NM_018453	168	NP_060923	923
14	33	0.98	<.005	sorting nexin 6	SNX6	gi:13027619	Hs.283443	58533	UP	217789_at	NM_021249; NM_152233	169;170	NP_067072; NP_689419	924;925

14	52.4	1.17	0.013	bone morphogenetic protein 4 ; bone morphogenetic protein 4	BMP4	gi:576934	Hs.68879 ; Hs.68879	652 ; 652	UP	211518_s_at	NM_001202 ; NM_130850 ; NM_130851 ; NM_001202 ; NM_130850 ; NM_130851	171;172;173;174;175;176	NP_001193 ; NP_570911 ; NP_570912	926;927;928
14	53.2	0.58	0.021	sterile alpha motif domain containing 4	SAMD4	gi:5689442	Hs.98259	23034	UP	212845_at	NM_015589	177	NP_056404	929
14	53.4	0.48	0.025	WD repeat and HMG-box DNA binding protein 1	WDHD1	gi:7704203	Hs.385998	11169	UP	204727_at	NM_007086	178	NP_009017	930
14	53.5	1.36	<005	chromosome 14 open reading frame 32	C14orf32	gi:10438139	Hs.406401	93487	UP	212499_s_at	NM_144578	179	NP_653179	931
14	53.6	0.51	0.013	discs, large homolog 1 (Drosophila)	DLG7	gi:7661851	Hs.77695	9787	UP	203764_at	NM_014750	180	NP_055565	932
14	53.8	0.42	0.03	F-box only protein 34	FBXO34	gi:8923650	Hs.15467	55030	UP	218539_at	NM_017943	181	NP_060413	933
14	54	0.29	0.025	kinesin 1 (kinesin receptor)	KTN1	gi:11681348	Hs.368212	3895	UP	200914_x_at	NM_182926	182	NP_891556	934
14	55.6	0.62	0.006	SEC10-like 1 (S. cerevisiae)	SEC10L1	gi:5730036	Hs.365863	10640	UP	218748_s_at	NM_006344	183	NP_006335	935
14	55.7	0.68	<005	chromosome 14 open reading frame 108	C14orf108	gi:8922687	Hs.106210	55745	UP	218139_s_at	NM_018229	184	NP_060659	936
14	56.6	0.65	0.008	actin-related protein 10 homolog (S. cerevisiae)	ACTR10	gi:10433604	Hs.248569	55860	UP	222230_s_at	NM_018477	185	NP_060947	937
14	58.5	0.65	0.035	chromosome 14 open reading frame 135	C14orf135	gi:11968054	Hs.413671	64430	UP	219972_s_at	NM_022495	186	NP_071940	938
14	59.8	0.62	0.041	protein kinase C, eta	PRKCH	gi:4453971	Hs.315566	5583	UP	206099_at	NM_006255	187	NP_006246 ; NP_076969	939
14	60.1	0.76	0.006	hypoxia-inducible factor 1, alpha subunit (basic helix-loop-helix transcription factor)	HIF1A	gi:4504384	Hs.412416	3091	UP	200989_at	NM_001530 ; NM_161054	188;189	NP_001521 ; NP_851397	940;941
14	60.2	0.43	0.03	small nuclear RNA activating complex, polypeptide 1, 43kDa	SNAPC1	gi:4507100	Hs.179312	6617	UP	205443_at	NM_003082	190	NP_003073	942
14	62.9	0.49	0.021	zinc finger and BTB domain containing 1	ZBTB1	gi:7662437	Hs.511938	22890	UP	205092_x_at	XM_375086	191	XP_375086	943
14	63.2	0.03	0.011	KIAA0599	KIAA0599	gi:13279160	Hs.198037	26030	UP	217044_s_at		1524		1525
17	39.1	0.66	<005	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily 5, member 1	SMARCE1	gi:13045953	Hs.437546	6605	UP	211988_at	NM_003079	192	NP_003070	944
17	39.3	1.06	<005	keratin 10 (epidermolytic hyperkeratosis; keratosis palmaris et plantaris)	KRT10	gi:4557696	Hs.99936	3858	UP	207023_x_at	NM_000421	193	NP_000412	945
17	40.4	1.74	<005	ATP citrate lyase	ACLY	gi:5768107	Hs.387567	47	UP	201127_s_at	NM_001096 ; NM_198830	194;195	NP_001087 ; NP_942127	946
17	40.5	0.97	0.007	1-kappa-B-interacting Ras-like protein 2	KBRAS2	gi:8922150	Hs.502910	28511	UP	218240_at	NM_017595	196	NP_060065	947

17	40.6	1.17	0.011	RAB5C, member RAS oncogene family	RAB5C	gi:7672664	Hs.479	5878	UP	201156_s_at	NM_004583 ; NM_201434	197;198	NP_004574; NP_958842	948;949
17	40.7	0.83	0.033	signal transducer and activator of transcription 5B	STAT5B	gi:9970172	Hs.434992	6777	UP	212549_at	NM_012448	199	NP_036580	950
17	41	1.01	<.005	ATPase, H <sup>+</sup> -transporting, lysosomal V0 subunit a isoform 1	ATP6V0A1	gi:4885084	Hs.267871	535	UP	205095_s_at	NM_005177	200	NP_005168	951
17	41	0.69	0.007	transcription factor-like 4	TCFL4	gi:11761691	Hs.383019	6945	UP	210752_s_at	NM_170607 ; NM_198204 ; NM_198205	201;202;203	NP_733752; NP_937847; NP_937848	952;953;954
17	41.1	0.89	0.009	GT198, complete ORF	HUMGT198A	gi:1164152	Hs.279032	29893	UP	213708_s_at	NM_013290 ; NM_016536	204;205	NP_037422; NP_037640	955;956
17	41.1	1.06	0.009	hypothetical protein LOC162427	LOC162427	gi:12779367	Hs.432850	16247	UP	212697_at	NM_178126	206	NP_835227	957
17	41.2	1.30	0.005	enhancer of zeste homolog 1 (Drosophila)	EZH1	gi:2224716	Hs.194669	2145	UP	203249_at	NM_001991	207	NP_001982	958
17	41.2	1.08	<.005	enhancer of zeste homolog 1 (Drosophila)	EZH1	gi:2224716	Hs.194669	2145	UP	32259_at	NM_001991	208	NP_001982	959
17	41.3	1.62	<.005	HSPC009 protein	HSPC009	gi:7661731	Hs.16059	28958	UP	218026_at	NM_014019	209	NP_054738	960
17	41.3	1.15	<.005	betin 1 (coiled-coil, myosin-like BCL2 interacting protein)	BECN1	gi:4302394	Hs.12272	8678	UP	20894_s_at	NM_003766	210	NP_003757	961
17	41.3	1.56	<.005	proteasome (prosome, macropain) activator subunit 3 (PA28 gamma; K)	PSME3	gi:5031996	Hs.152978	10197	UP	200988_s_at	NM_005789 ; NM_176863	211;212	NP_005780; NP_789839	962;963
17	41.3	1.09	<.005	amine oxidase, copper containing 2 (retina-specific)	AOC2	gi:6806881	Hs.143102	314	UP	207064_s_at	NM_001158 ; NM_009590	213;214	NP_001149; NP_033720	964;965
17	41.4	1.74	<.005	hypothetical protein MGC2744	MGC2744	gi:3432163	Hs.317403	80755	UP	222064_s_at	NM_025267	215	NP_079543	966
17	41.5	1.86	<.005	ribosomal protein L27	RPL27	gi:4506622	Hs.405528	6155	UP	200025_s_at	NM_000988	216	NP_000979	967
17	41.8	0.44	0.05	Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ33853, clone TESTL007078, highly similar to MEMBRANE COMPONENT, CHROMOSOME 17, SURFACE MARKER 2.		gi:5935951	Hs.277721		UP	201383_s_at		1526		
17	42.3	0.45	<.005	dual specificity phosphatase 3 (vaccinia virus phosphatase VHI-1-related)	DUSP3	gi:12803692	Hs.181046	1845	UP	201537_s_at	NM_004090	217	NP_004081	968
17	42.3	1.16	<.005	membrane protein, palmitoylated 3 (MAGUK p55 subfamily member 3)	MPP3	gi:4505238	Hs.396566	4356	UP	206186_at	NM_001932	218	NP_001923	969
17	42.4	0.63	<.005	membrane protein, palmitoylated 2 (MAGUK p55 subfamily, member 2)	MPP2	gi:6991687	Hs.436326	4355	UP	213270_at	NM_005374	219	NP_005365	970
17	42.6	1.57	<.005	glucose-6-phosphatase catalytic subunit 3	G6PC3	gi:12951784	Hs.294005	92579	UP	221759_at	NM_138387	220	NP_612396	971
17	42.6	1.39	<.005	glucose-6-phosphatase catalytic subunit 3	G6PC3	gi:4834429	Hs.294005	92579	UP	44654_at	NM_138387	221	NP_612396	972

17	42.7	1.55	<.005	hypothetical protein MGC3123	MGC3123	gi:13129117	Hs.181391	79089	UP	218419_s_at	NM_024107 ; NM_117441	222,223	NP_077012 ; NP_803190	973,974
17	42.9	0.92	<.005	granulin	GRN	gi:4504150	Hs.180577	2896	UP	200678_x_at	NM_002087	224	NP_002078	975
17	42.9	0.45	0.006	KIAA0553 protein	KIAA0553	gi:11008117	Hs.396047	23131	UP	212485_at	XM_290758	225	XP_290758	976
17	43.6	0.55	0.018	N-myristoyltransferase 1	NMT1	gi:2760893	Hs.346743	4836	UP	201157_s_at	NM_021079	226	NP_066565	977
17	43.7	0.34	0.031	HMB-A-inducible	HIS1	gi:7457641	Hs.15299	10614	UP	214188_at	NM_006460	227	NP_006451	978
17	44	1.09	<.005	hypothetical protein FLJ10120	FLJ10120	gi:8922238	Hs.378860	55073	UP	220219_s_at	NM_018001	228	NP_060471	979
17	44.8	0.51	0.012	ARF protein	LOC51326	gi:7770214	Hs.500496	51326	UP	210718_s_at	NM_016632	229	NP_057716	980
17	44.8	1.09	<.005	KIAA0563 gene product	KIAA0563	gi:3647821	Hs.438861	9884	UP	221740_x_at	NM_014834	230	NP_055649	981
17	45.2	0.92	<.005	N-ethylmaleimide-sensitive factor	NSF	gi:11079227	Hs.431279	4905	UP	202395_at	NM_006178	231	NP_006169	982
17	45.3	0.42	0.041	wingless-type MMTV integration site family, member 3 ; wingless-type MMTV integration site family, member 3	WNT3	gi:13540476	Hs.224667 ; Hs.224667	7473 ; 7473	UP	221455_s_at	NM_030753	232	NP_110380	983
17	45.7	1.06	<.005	Homo sapiens transcribed sequence with weak similarity to protein spP30260 (H.sapiens) CCZ7_HUMAN Protein CDC27Hs (Cell division cycle protein 27 homolog) (H:NUC)		gi:1126567	Hs.514263		UP	217880_at		1527		
17	46.1	0.55	0.01	aminopeptidase puromycin sensitive	NPEPFS	gi:4210725	Hs.293007	9520	UP	201455_s_at	NM_006310	235	NP_006301	986
17	46.2	0.31	<.005	karyopherin (importin) beta 1	KPNB1	gi:13097743	Hs.439683	3837	UP	208974_x_at	NM_002265	236	NP_002256	987
17	46.4	0.87	0.01	pyridoxine-5'-phosphate oxidase	PNPO	gi:8922497	Hs.327335	55163	UP	218511_s_at	NM_018129	237	NP_060599	988
17	46.6	1.27	<.005	chromobox homolog 1 (HPI beta homolog Drosophila)	CBX1	gi:5803075	Hs.77254	10951	UP	201518_at	NM_006807	238	NP_006798	989
17	46.6	0.81	0.008	sorting nexin 11	SNX11	gi:7019538	Hs.15827	29916	UP	220140_s_at	NM_013323 ; NM_152244	239,240	NP_037455 ; NP_689450	990,991
17	46.6	0.78	0.01	sorting nexin 11	SNX11	gi:4827951	Hs.15827	29916	UP	53912_at	NM_013323 ; NM_152244	241,242	NP_037455 ; NP_689450	992,993
17	47.4	0.86	<.005	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F0 complex, subunit c (subunit 9), isoform 1	ATP5G1	gi:5262506	Hs.80986	516	UP	208972_s_at	NM_005173	243	NP_005166	994
17	47.4	0.60	0.017	hypothetical protein FLJ13855	FLJ13855	gi:12751494	Hs.369120	65264	UP	217750_s_at	NM_023079	244	NP_075567	995
17	47.4	1.17	<.005	EAP30 subunit of ELL complex	EAP30	gi:6005754	Hs.127249	11267	UP	218391_at	NM_007241	245	NP_009172	996
17	47.8	0.49	0.021	KIAA0924 protein	KIAA0924	gi:7662383	Hs.190386	22834	UP	205594_at	XM_375471	246	XP_375471	997
17	47.9	1.15	<.005	prohibitin	PFB	gi:6031190	Hs.75323	5245	UP	200659_s_at	NM_002634	247	NP_002625	998
17	48.1	1.06	<.005	speckle-type POZ protein	SPOP	gi:4507182	Hs.129951	8405	UP	204640_s_at	NM_003563	248	NP_003554	999

17	48.2	1.61	<0.05	SLC35B1	gf:5032212	Hs.154073	10237	UP	202433_at	NM_005827	249	NP_005818	1000
17	48.2	0.82	<0.05	LOC81558	gi:13540589	Hs.9851 ; Hs.9851	81558 ; 81558	UP	221249_s_at	NM_030802	250	NP_110429	1001
17	48.3	1.18	<0.05	MYST2	gi:5901961	Hs.21907	11143	UP	200049_at	NM_007067	251	NP_008998	1002
17	48.6	0.45	0.026	ITGA3	gi:4504746	Hs.265829	3675	UP	201474_s_at	NM_002204 ; NM_005501	252;253	NP_002195 ; NP_005492	1003;1004
17	48.6	0.37	0.047	PDK2	gi:5544583	Hs.92261	5164	UP	213724_s_at	NM_002611	254	NP_002602	1005
17	48.9	0.45	0.03	XYL12	gi:11545913	Hs.32117	64132	UP	219401_at	NM_022167	255	NP_071450	1006
17	48.9	0.91	<0.05	PRO1855	gi:10437822	Hs.370927	53379	UP	222231_s_at	NM_018509	256	NP_060979	1007
17	49	0.79	<0.05	FLJ20920	gi:13376740	Hs.288959	80221	UP	218844_at	NM_025149	257	NP_079425	1008
17	49	0.57	0.017	FLJ11164	gi:8922910	Hs.8033	53316	UP	218307_at	NM_018346	258	NP_060816	1009
17	49	0.60	0.016	EPN3	gi:8923677	Hs.165904	55040	UP	220318_at	NM_017957	259	NP_060427	1010
17	49.1	0.57	0.018	FLJ21347	gi:12383067	Hs.103147	64847	UP	218164_at	NM_022827	260	NP_073738	1011
17	49.2	0.93	<0.05	MGC15396	gi:13543385	Hs.351247 ; Hs.351247	91369 ; 91369	UP	211717_at	NM_052855	261	NP_443087	1012
17	49.2	0.42	0.034	LUC7A	gi:7706534	Hs.130293	51747	UP	220044_x_at	NM_016424	262	NP_057508	1013
17	49.3	0.40	0.041	LUC7A	gi:5174618	Hs.130293	51747	UP	203804_s_at	NM_016424	263	NP_057508	1014
17	49.5	0.69	0.017	SPAG9	gi:4504524	Hs.500367	9043	UP	206748_s_at	NM_003971 ; NM_172345	264;265	NP_003962 ; NP_758853	1015;1016
17	49.7	1.32	<0.05	NME1	gi:4557796	Hs.118638	4830	UP	201577_at	NM_000269 ; NM_198175	266;267	NP_000260 ; NP_937818	1017;1018
17	49.7	1.75	<0.05	NME2	gi:4505408	Hs.433416	4831	UP	201268_at	NM_002512	268	NP_002503	1019
17	49.8	1.01	0.005	CGI-48	gi:3179644	Hs.441503	51096	UP	222038_s_at	NM_016001	269	NP_057085	1020
17	53.5	0.61	0.005	COX11	gi:4186577	Hs.436988	1353	UP	214277_at	NM_004375	270	NP_004366	1021
17	53.8	0.23	0.01	HLF	gi:184223	Hs.250692	3131	UP	204755_x_at	NM_002126	271	NP_002117	1022
17	54.3	0.64	0.005	PCTP	gi:10864026	Hs.285218	58488	UP	218676_s_at	NM_021213	272	NP_067036	1023
17	74	0.63	0.028	KIAA0195	gi:7661985	Hs.301132	9772	UP	202650_s_at	NM_014738	273	NP_055553	1024
17	74	1.07	0.009	CASKIN2	gi:5766922	Hs.274408	57513	UP	221846_s_at	NM_020753	274	NP_065804	1025
17	74	0.76	0.014	CASKIN2	gi:5928096	Hs.274408	57513	UP	61297_at	NM_020753	275	NP_065804	1026

18	19.3	0.56	0.022	RIO kinase 3 (yeast)	RIOK3	gi:4507298	Hs.209061	8780	UP	202131_s_at	NM_003831 ; NM_145906	276;277	NP_003822 ; NP_665913	1027;1028
18	19.3	0.79	0.006	RIO kinase 3 (yeast)	RIOK3	gi:5855068	Hs.209061	8780	UP	202129_s_at	NM_003831 ; NM_145906	278;279	NP_003822 ; NP_665913	1029;1030
18	19.3	1.02	<.005	colon cancer-associated protein Mic1	MIC1	gi:7019454	Hs.287633	29919	UP	221190_s_at	NM_013326	280	NP_037458	1031
18	19.3	0.95	<.005	Niemann-Pick disease, type C1	NPCI	gi:4557802	Hs.404930	4864	UP	202679_at	NM_000271	281	NP_000262	1032
18	19.9	0.48	0.024	calcium-binding tyrosine-(Y)- phosphorylation regulated (fibroblastin 2)	CABYR	gi:6912377	Hs.511983	26256	UP	219928_s_at	NM_012189 ; NM_138643 ; NM_138644 ; NM_153768 ; NM_153769 ; NM_153770	282;283;284;285; 85;286;287	NP_036321 ; NP_019584 ; NP_619585 ; NP_722452 ; NP_722453 ; NP_722454	1033;1034;103 5;1036;1037;10 38
18	20.1	0.48	0.022	oxysterol binding protein-like 1A ; oxysterol binding protein-like 1A	OSBPL1A	gi:13877169	Hs.415753 ; Hs.415753	114876 ; 114876	UP	208158_s_at	NM_018030 ; NM_080597 ; NM_133268	288;289;290	NP_060500 ; NP_542164 ; NP_579802	1039;1040;104 1
19	41.4	1.18	<.005	zinc finger protein 146	ZNF146	gi:6005965	Hs.301819	7705	UP	200050_at	NM_007145	291	NP_009076	1042
19	42.9	0.71	0.012	hypothetical protein FLJ30921	FLJ30921	gi:9722561	Hs.290703	126231	UP	217627_at	NM_152360	292	NP_689573	1043
19	43.3	0.53	0.028	DA, zinc and double PHD fingers family	DPF1	gi:4758797	Hs.389057	8193	UP	206531_at	NM_004647	293	NP_004638	1044
19	43.5	1.08	<.005	proteasome (prosome, macropain) 26S subunit, non-ATPase, 8	PSMD8	gi:4506232	Hs.78466	5714	UP	200820_at	NM_002812	294	NP_002803	1045
19	43.7	0.54	0.027	mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase	MAP4K1	gi:9970929	Hs.95424	11184	UP	214219_x_at	NM_007181	295	NP_009112	1046
19	43.8	1.41	<.005	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3 subunit k	eIF3k	gi:5114050	Hs.143773	27335	UP	221494_x_at	NM_013234	296	NP_037366	1047
19	43.8	1.43	<.005	eukaryotic translation initiation factor 3 subunit k	eIF3k	gi:6038285	Hs.143773	27335	UP	212716_s_at	NM_013234	297	NP_037366	1048
19	44	0.43	0.013	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein	HNRPL	gi:5933937	Hs.446623	3191	UP	221860_at	NM_001533	298	NP_001524	1049
19	44	1.01	<.005	strim (silent mating type information regulation 2 homolog) 2 (S. cerevisiae)	SRT2	gi:13775599	Hs.375214	22933	UP	220605_s_at	NM_012237 ; NM_030593	299;300	NP_036369 ; NP_085096	1050;1051
19	44	0.70	<.005	nuclear factor of kappa light polypeptide gene enhancer in B-cells inhibitor, beta	NFKB1B	gi:4505384	Hs.9731	4793	UP	214448_x_at	NM_002503	301	NP_002494	1052
19	44.1	0.86	<.005	seryl-tRNA synthetase 2	SARS2	gi:8923420	Hs.14220	54938	UP	218702_at	NM_017827	302	NP_060297	1053

19	44.1	0.12	<.005	mitochondrial ribosomal protein S12	MRF512	gi:2252149	Hs.411125	6183	UP	210008_s_at NM_021107; NM_033362; NM_033363	303;304;305 NP_066930; NP_203526; NP_203527	1054;1055;1056
19	44.1	0.56	0.019	F-box only protein 26	FBOXO26	gi:13375364	Hs.425352	115290	UP	220233_at NM_024907; NM_148169	306;307 NP_079183; NP_580474	1057;1058
19	44.3	0.40	<.005	p21(CDKN1A)-activated kinase 4	PAK4	gi:7382497	Hs.20447	10298	UP	203154_s_at NM_005884	308 NP_005875	1059
19	44.3	0.83	<.005	p21(CDKN1A)-activated kinase 4	PAK4	gi:4101586	Hs.20447	10298	UP	33814_at NM_003884	309 NP_003875	1060
19	44.5	1.16	<.005	hypothetical protein F23149_1	PD2	gi:9506582	Hs.152894	54823	UP	202093_s_at NM_019088	310 NP_061961	1061
19	50.5	3.52	0.045	RelA-associated inhibitor	RAI	gi:5730000	Hs.324051	10848	UP	218849_s_at NM_006663	311 NP_006654	1062
19	50.6	1.27	<.005	CD3-epsilon-associated protein; antisense to ERCC-1	ASE-1	gi:6912245	Hs.446684	10849	UP	205264_at NM_012099	312 NP_096231	1063
19	50.7	3.60	0.045	optic atrophy 3 (autosomal recessive, with chorea and spastic paraplegia)	OPA3	gi:13376716	Hs.123473	80207	UP	206357_at NM_025136	313 NP_079412	1064
19	50.8	3.04	0.045	echinoderm microtubule associated protein like 2	EML2	gi:4568182	Hs.24178	24139	UP	204399_s_at NM_012155	314 NP_056287	1065
19	50.8	0.98	0.018	gastric inhibitory polypeptide receptor	GIPR	gi:4503998	Hs.251412	2696	UP	208105_at NM_000164	315 NP_000155	1066
19	50.8	1.00	0.044	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein D2 polypeptide 16.5Da	SNRPD2	gi:7242206	Hs.424327	6633	UP	200826_at NM_004597; NM_177542	316;317 NP_004588; NP_806210	1067;1068
19	50.9	0.65	0.012	Homo sapiens cDNA FLJ90345 fis, clone NT2RP2002974, highly similar to HOMEBOX PROTEIN SIX5.		gi:7151592	Hs.43314		UP	217661_x_at	1528	
19	50.9	0.49	<.005	dystrophia myotonica-protein kinase	DMPK	gi:189038	Hs.898	1760	UP	217062_at NM_004409	318 NP_004400	1069
19	51.8	0.71	0.005	protein kinase D2	PRKD2	gi:12659006	Hs.205431	25865	UP	205282_at NM_016437	320 NP_057541	1071
19	51.8	0.65	0.009	protein kinase D2	PRKD2	gi:4884153	Hs.205431	25865	UP	38269_at NM_016437	321 NP_057541	1072
19	51.9	1.42	0.008	striatin, calmodulin binding protein 4	STRN4	gi:7019572	Hs.406918	29888	UP	217903_at NM_013403	322 NP_037535	1073
19	51.9	0.90	0.009	solute carrier family 1 (neutral amino acid transporter), member 5	SLC1A5	gi:4191561	Hs.183556	6510	UP	208916_at NM_005628	323 NP_005619	1074
19	52	1.66	<.005	adaptor-related protein complex 2, sigma 1 subunit	AP2S1	gi:11038644	Hs.119591	1175	UP	202120_x_at NM_004069; NM_021575	324;325 NP_004060; NP_067586	1075;1076
19	52	1.35	<.005	adaptor-related protein complex 2, sigma 1 subunit; adaptor-related protein complex 2, sigma 1 subunit	AP2S1	gi:13623468	Hs.119591	1175; 1175	UP	211047_x_at NM_004069; NM_021575	326;327 NP_004060; NP_067586	1077;1078
19	52.1	1.87	0.014	glucocorticoid receptor DNA binding factor 1	GRLF1	gi:4758481	Hs.102548	2909	UP	202046_s_at NM_004491; NM_024342	328;329 NP_004482; NP_077318	1079;1080
19	52.5	1.05	0.036	complement component 5 receptor 1 (C5a ligand)	C5R1	gi:4502508	Hs.2161	728	UP	220088_at NM_001756	330 NP_001727	1081

19	52.6	2.86	<.005	N-ethylmaleimide-sensitive factor attachment protein, alpha	NAPA	gi:4505328	Hs.75932	8775	UP	206491_s_at	NM_003827	331	NP_003818	1082
19	52.9	3.79	0.045	EH-domain containing 2	EHD2	gi:7657053	Hs.325650	30846	UP	205341_at	NM_014601	332	NP_055416	1083
19	52.9	5.29	0.045	EH-domain containing 2	EHD2	gi:4261421	Hs.323650	30846	UP	221870_at	NM_014601	333	NP_055416	1084
19	52.9	4.35	0.045	EH-domain containing 2	EHD2	gi:4261421	Hs.325650	30846	UP	45297_at	NM_014601	334	NP_055416	1085
19	53.3	2.23	0.045	ligase I, DNA, ATP-dependent	LIG1	gi:4557718	Hs.1770	3978	UP	202726_at	NM_000234	335	NP_000225	1086
19	53.5	1.97	0.045	KDEL (Lys-Asp-Glu-Leu) endoplasmic reticulum protein retention receptor 1	KDEL1	gi:5803047	Hs.78040	10945	UP	200922_at	NM_006801	336	NP_006792	1087
19	53.6	3.06	0.045	glutamate-rich WD repeat containing 1	GRWD1	gi:13274610	Hs.400625	83743	UP	221549_at	NM_031485	337	NP_113673	1088
19	53.8	1.25	0.041	ribosomal protein L18	RPL18	gi:4834123	Hs.409634	6141	UP	214335_at	NM_000979	338	NP_000970	1089
19	53.8	1.82	0.013	D site of albumin promoter (albumin D-box) binding protein	DBP	gi:460704	Hs.414480	1628	UP	209783_at	NM_001352	339	NP_001343	1090
19	53.9	0.88	0.033	fucosyltransferase 1 (galactoside 2-alpha-L-fucosyltransferase)	FUT1	gi:4503804	Hs.69747	2523	UP	206109_at	NM_000148	340	NP_000139	1091
19	53.9	0.93	0.013	fucosyltransferase 1 (galactoside 2-alpha-L-fucosyltransferase)	FUT1	gi:6739499	Hs.69747	2523	UP	211411_at	NM_000148	341	NP_000139	1092
19	54	0.58	0.036	pleckstrin homology domain containing family A (phosphoinositide binding specific) member 4	PLEKHA4	gi:10190743	Hs.9469	57664	UP	219011_at	NM_020904	342	NP_065955	1093
19	54.1	0.43	0.044	nucleobindin 1	NUCB1	gi:5453817	Hs.172609	4924	UP	200646_s_at	NM_006184	343	NP_006175	1094
19	54.1	0.63	0.032	BCL2-associated X protein	BAX	gi:4757837	Hs.159428	581	UP	208478_s_at	NM_004324 ; NM_138761 ; NM_138762 ; 344;345;346;3 NM_138763 ; 47;348;349 NM_138764 ; NM_138765	NP_004315 ; NP_620116 ; NP_620117 ; 1095;1096;109 NP_620118 ; 7;1098;1099;11 NP_620119 ; NP_620120	1095	
19	54.1	1.36	<.005	glycogen synthase 1 (muscle)	GYSI	gi:4504232	Hs.386225	2997	UP	201673_s_at	NM_002103	350	NP_002094	1101
19	54.1	1.13	<.005	RuvB-like 2 (E. coli)	RUVBL2	gi:5730022	Hs.6455	10836	UP	201459_at	NM_006666	351	NP_006657	1102
19	54.2	0.94	0.011	luciferin hormone beta polypeptide	LHB	gi:4504988	Hs.154704	3972	UP	214471_s_at	NM_000894	352	NP_000885	1103
19	54.2	2.38	<.005	small nuclear ribonucleoprotein 70kDa polypeptide (RNP antigen)	SNRP70	gi:4507118	Hs.174051	6625	UP	201221_s_at	NM_003089	353	NP_003080	1104
19	54.5	0.95	0.011	9089y-1 gene	DKKL1- pending	gi:7657553	Hs.124021	27120	UP	220284_at	NM_014419	354	NP_055234	1105
19	54.6	0.51	0.034	ribosomal protein L13a	RPL13A	gi:12653484	Hs.449070	23521	UP	200715_s_at	NM_012423	355	NP_036555	1106
19	54.7	0.92	0.029	reticulocalbin 3, EF-hand calcium binding domain	RCN3	gi:10257434	Hs.439184	57333	UP	219102_at	NM_020650	356	NP_065701	1107
19	54.7	0.99	0.012	nitric oxide synthase interacting protein	NOSIP	gi:7705715	Hs.7236	51070	UP	217950_at	NM_015953	357	NP_057037	1108
19	54.8	0.65	0.017	interferon regulatory factor 3	IRF3	gi:4504734	Hs.75254	3661	UP	202621_at	NM_001571	358	NP_001562	1109

19	54.8	2.10	0.045	HMT1 hnRNP methyltransferase-like 2 (S. cerevisiae)	HRMTIL2	gi:4504496	Hs.20521	3276	UP	206445_s_at	NM_001536 ; NM_198318 ; NM_198319	359;360;361 NP_938074 ; NP_938075	110;111;111 2
19	55	1.21	0.014	prostate tumor overexpressed gene 1	PTOV1	gi:4884338	Hs.227429	53635	UP	213690_s_at	NM_017432	NP_059128	1113
19	55.1	2.89	0.045	nucleoporin 62kDa	NUP62	gi:7705334	Hs.437023	23636	UP	202153_s_at	NM_012346 ; NM_016553 ; NM_153718 ; NM_153719	NP_036478 ; NP_057637 ; NP_714940 ; NP_714941	1114;1115;111 6;1117
19	55.5	0.48	0.024	nuclear receptor subfamily 1, group H, member 2	NR1H2	gi:11321629	Hs.432976	7376	UP	218215_s_at	NM_007121	NP_009052	1118
19	56.2	0.11	0.007	kallikrein 13	KLK13	gi:4884461	Hs.165296	26085	UP	216670_at	NM_015596	NP_056411	1119
19	58.7	1.51	<0.005	zinc finger protein 331	ZNF331	gi:10092612	Hs.147644	55422	UP	219228_at	NM_018555	NP_061025	1120
19	59.3	1.45	<0.005	CCR4-NOT transcription complex, subunit 3	CNOT3	gi:7657386	Hs.343571	4849	UP	203239_s_at	NM_014516	NP_055331	1122
19	59.3	0.87	0.013	leukocyte receptor cluster (LRC) member 4	LENG4	gi:13236521	Hs.78768	79143	UP	205634_x_at	NM_024298	NP_077274	1123
19	59.3	0.65	0.013	leukocyte receptor cluster (LRC) member 5	LENG5	gi:13129061	Hs.15580	79042	UP	218132_s_at	NM_024075	NP_076980	1124
19	59.4	0.73	0.019	ribosomal protein S9	RPS9	gi:4506744	Hs.139876	6203	UP	217747_s_at	NM_001013	NP_001004	1125
19	60.3	0.50	0.018	synaptotagmin V	SVT5	gi:4763537	Hs.23179	6861	UP	206161_s_at	NM_003180	NP_003171	1126
19	60.8	1.68	0.01	LDL induced EC protein	LOC51157	gi:7705880	Hs.94392	51157	UP	220748_s_at	NM_016202	NP_057286	1127
19	60.8	0.88	0.019	U2 (RNU2) small nuclear RNA auxiliary factor 2	U2AF2	gi:5396722	Hs.297629	11338	UP	214171_s_at	NM_007279	NP_009210	1128
19	60.8	1.08	0.027	epsilon 1	EPN1	gi:7019368	Hs.279953	29924	UP	221141_x_at	NM_013333	NP_037465	1129
19	61.2	1.42	<0.005	hypothetical protein LOC126208	LOC126208	gi:1496048	Hs.397153	126208	UP	213402_at	XM_038959	XP_058959	1130
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19	61.3	0.62	0.027	zinc finger protein 444	ZNF444	gi:3916863	Hs.24545	55311	UP	50376_at	NM_018337	NP_060807	1132
19	62.4	0.69	0.022	zinc finger protein 264	ZNF264	gi:4585642	Hs.426358	9422	UP	205917_at	XM_375660	XP_375660	1133
19	62.4	0.79	<0.005	zinc finger protein 272	ZNF272	gi:498733	Hs.99971	10794	UP	216273_at	NM_006635	NP_006626	1134
19	62.5	0.44	0.043	zinc finger protein 304	ZNF304	gi:10190695	Hs.287374	57343	UP	207753_at	NM_020657	NP_065708	1135
19	62.6	0.66	0.008	hypothetical protein FLJ23233	FLJ23233	gi:13375967	Hs.98593	79744	UP	219826_at	NM_024691	NP_078967	1136
19	62.6	0.60	0.023	hypothetical protein FLJ23233	FLJ23233	gi:2112716	Hs.98593	79744	UP	58367_s_at	NM_024691	NP_078967	1137
19	62.8	0.60	0.022	zinc finger protein 134 (clone pHZ-15)	ZNF134	gi:4507982	Hs.449971	7693	UP	206182_at	NM_003435	NP_003426	1138

19	62.8	1.08	<.005	zinc finger protein 211	ZNF211	gi:5454175	Hs.449970	10520	UP	205437_at	NM_006385 ; NM_198855	388;389	NP_006376; NP_942152	1139;1140
20	30.9	0.62	0.008	inhibitor of DNA binding 1, dominant negative helix-loop-helix protein	ID1	gi:464181	Hs.410900	3397	UP	208937_s_at	NM_002165 ; NM_181353	390;391	NP_002156; NP_851998	1141;1142
20	58.2	0.70	<.005	ATP synthase, H+ transporting, mitochondrial F1 complex, epsilon subunit	ATP5E	gi:5901895	Hs.177530	514	UP	217801_at	NM_006886	392	NP_008817	1143
20	58.2	0.65	<.005	chromosome 20 open reading frame 45	C20orf45	gi:7705609	Hs.3945	51012	UP	217851_s_at	NM_016045	393	NP_057129	1144
20	59.2	0.68	<.005	protein phosphatase 1, regulatory subunit 3D	PPP1R3D	gi:6806895	Hs.504920	5509	UP	204555_s_at	NM_006242	394	NP_006233	1145
20	61.2	0.00	0.025	TAF4 RNA polymerase II, TATA box binding protein (TBP)-associated factor, 135kDa	TAF4	gi:5112317	Hs.24644	6874	UP	213090_s_at	NM_003185	395	NP_003176	1146
20	61.4	0.45	0.015	synovial sarcoma translocation gene on chromosome 18-like 1	SS18L1	gi:3327199	Hs.154429	26039	UP	213140_s_at	NM_015558 ; NM_198935	396;397	NP_056373; NP_945173	1147;1148
20	61.4	0.38	0.048	proteasome (prosome, macropain) subunit, alpha type, 7	PSMA7	gi:9408092	Hs.233952	5688	UP	216088_s_at	NM_002792 ; NM_152255	398;399	NP_002783; NP_689468	1149;1150
20	61.5	0.59	<.005	oxysterol binding protein-like 2	OSBPL2	gi:12653062	Hs.15519	9885	UP	209222_s_at	NM_014835 ; NM_144498	400;401	NP_055650; NP_653081	1151;1152
20	61.5	0.37	0.049	laminin, alpha 5	LAMA5	gi:13097167	Hs.11669	3911	UP	210150_s_at	NM_003560	402	NP_003551	1153
20	61.6	0.06	<.005	ribosomal protein S21	RPS21	gi:4506698	Hs.372960	6227	UP	200834_s_at	NM_001024	403	NP_001015	1154
20	62.2	0.49	0.018	transcription factor-like 5 (basic helix-loop-helix)	TCFL5	gi:5730082	Hs.30696	10732	UP	204849_at	NM_006502	404	NP_006593	1155
20	62.2	0.39	0.03	chromosome 20 open reading frame 11	C20orf11	gi:8923556	Hs.103808	54994	UP	218448_at	NM_017896	405	NP_060366	1156
20	62.5	0.82	<.005	chromosome 20 open reading frame 21	C20orf21	gi:9663381	Hs.11747	54915	UP	221741_s_at	NM_017798	406	NP_060268	1157
20	63	0.46	0.018	ADP-ribosylation factor related protein 1	ARFRP1	gi:8246778	Hs.389277	10139	UP	215984_s_at	NM_003224	407	NP_003215	1158
20	63	0.41	0.032	KJAA1847	KJAA1847	gi:8246778	Hs.11900	84619	UP	221848_at	NM_032527 ; NM_181484 ; NM_181485	408;409;410	NP_115916; NP_852149; NP_852150	1159;1160;1161
20	63	0.37	0.03	ADP-ribosylation factor related protein 1	ARFRP1	gi:4507448	Hs.389277	10139	UP	203174_s_at	NM_003224	411	NP_003215	1162
20	63	0.48	0.016	KJAA1847	KJAA1847	gi:2279318	Hs.11900	84619	UP	57539_at	NM_032527 ; NM_181484 ; NM_181485	412;413;414	NP_115916; NP_852149; NP_852150	1163;1164;1165

20	63.2	0.77	<.005	tumor protein D52-like 2	TPD52L2	gi:4507642	Hs.154718	7165	UP	201379_s_at	NM_003288 ; NM_199359 ; NM_199360 ; NM_199361 ; NM_199362 ; NM_199363	415:416:417:418:419:420	NP_003279 ; NP_955391 ; NP_955392 ; NP_955393 ; NP_955394 ; NP_955395	1166:1167:1168:1169:1170:1171
20	63.3	0.73	<.005	uridine kinase-like 1	URKL1	gi:8923486	Hs.504998	54963	UP	218533_s_at	NM_017859	421	NP_060329	1172
20	63.3	0.75	<.005	chromosome 20 open reading frame 14	C20orf14	gi:13401215	Hs.31334	24148	UP	208879_x_at	NM_012469	422	NP_036601	1173
22	22.6	0.59	0.031	D-dopachrome tautomerase	DDT	gi:5453630	Hs.433902	1652	UP	202929_s_at	NM_001355	423	NP_001346	1174
22	22.7	0.42	0.018	glutathione S-transferase theta 1	GSTT1	gi:4504184	Hs.268573	2952	UP	203815_at	NM_000853	424	NP_000844	1175
22	29.6	0.46	0.015	hypothetical protein FLJ20618	FLJ20618	gi:7021031	Hs.52184	55000	UP	222244_s_at	NM_017903	425	NP_060373	1176
22	29.6	0.65	<.005	hypothetical protein FLJ20618	FLJ20618	gi:4899032	Hs.52184	55000	UP	212337_at	NM_017903	426	NP_060373	1177

What is claimed is:

1. A method of assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer, the method comprising comparing the copy number of a minimal common region (MCR) in a subject sample to the normal copy number of the MCR,  
5 wherein said MCR is selected from the group consisting of the MCRs listed in Table 1, and wherein an altered copy number of the MCR in the sample indicates that the subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer.
- 10 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the copy number is assessed by fluorescent in situ hybridization (FISH).
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the copy number is assessed by quantitative PCR (qPCR).  
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4. The method of claim 1, wherein the normal copy number is obtained from a control sample.
5. A method of assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk  
20 for developing cancer, the method comprising comparing:
  - a) the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker in a subject sample, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1; and
  - b) the normal amount, structure, and/or activity of the of the marker,wherein a significant difference between the amount, structure, and/or activity of the  
25 marker in the sample and the normal amount, structure, and/or activity is an indication that the subject is afflicted with cancer or at risk for developing cancer.
6. The method of claim 5, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.  
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7. The method of claim 5, wherein the amount of a marker is compared.
8. The method of claim 5, wherein the structure of a marker is compared.
- 35 9. The method of claim 5, wherein the activity of a marker is compared.
10. The method of claim 7, wherein amount of the marker is determined by determining the level of expression of the marker.

11. The method of claim 5, wherein amount of the marker is determined by determining copy number of the marker.

5 12. The method of claim 5, wherein the normal amount/structure, and/or activity is obtained from a control sample.

13. The method of claims 1 or 5, wherein the sample is selected from the group consisting of tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, 10 urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue.

14. The method of claim 1 or 11, wherein the copy number is assessed by comparative genomic hybridization (CGH).

15 15. The method of claim 14, wherein said CGH is performed on an array.

16. The method of claim 10, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a protein corresponding to the marker.

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17. The method of claim 16, wherein the presence of the protein is detected using a reagent which specifically binds with the protein.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein the reagent is selected from the group 25 consisting of an antibody, an antibody derivative, and an antibody fragment.

19. The method of claim 10, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed polynucleotide or portion thereof, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide comprises the marker.

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20. The method of claim 19, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide is an mRNA.

21. The method of claim 19, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide is a cDNA.

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22. The method of claim 19, wherein the step of detecting further comprises amplifying the transcribed polynucleotide.

23. The method of claim 10, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed polynucleotide which anneals with the marker or anneals with a portion of a polynucleotide wherein the polynucleotide comprises the marker, under stringent hybridization conditions.

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24. A method for monitoring the progression of cancer in a subject, the method comprising:

a) detecting in a subject sample at a first point in time, the amount and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1;

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b) repeating step a) at a subsequent point in time; and

c) comparing the amount and/or activity detected in steps a) and b), and therefrom monitoring the progression of cancer in the subject.

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25. The method of claim 24, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

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26. The method of claim 24, wherein the sample is selected from the group consisting of tissue, whole blood, serum, plasma, buccal scrape, saliva, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, stool, bile, pancreatic juice, and pancreatic tissue.

27. The method of claim 24, wherein the activity of a marker is determined.

28. The method of claim 24, wherein the amount of a marker is determined.

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29. The method of claim 28, wherein amount of the marker is determined by determining the level of expression of the marker.

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30. The method of claim 28, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a protein corresponding to the marker.

31. The method of claim 30, wherein the presence of the protein is detected using a reagent which specifically binds with the protein.

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32. The method of claim 31, wherein the reagent is selected from the group consisting of an antibody, an antibody derivative, and an antibody fragment.

33. The method of claim 29, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed polynucleotide or portion thereof, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide comprises the marker.

5 34. The method of claim 33, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide is an mRNA.

35. The method of claim 33, wherein the transcribed polynucleotide is a cDNA.

10 36. The method of claim 33, wherein the step of detecting further comprises amplifying the transcribed polynucleotide.

37. The method of claim 29, wherein the level of expression of the marker in the sample is assessed by detecting the presence in the sample of a transcribed  
15 polynucleotide which anneals with the marker or anneals with a portion of a polynucleotide wherein the polynucleotide comprises the marker, under stringent hybridization conditions.

38. The method of claim 24, wherein the sample comprises cells obtained from the subject.

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39. The method of claim 24, wherein between the first point in time and the subsequent point in time, the subject has undergone treatment for cancer, has completed treatment for cancer, and/or is in remission.

25 40. A method of assessing the efficacy of a test compound for inhibiting cancer in a subject, the method comprising comparing:

a) the amount and/or activity of a marker in a first sample obtained from the subject and maintained in the presence of the test compound, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1; and

30 b) the amount and/or activity of the marker in a second sample obtained from the subject and maintained in the absence of the test compound,

wherein a significantly higher amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample residing in an MCR which is deleted in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer, and wherein a  
35 significantly lower amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample residing in an MCR which is amplified in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer in the subject.

41. The method of claim 40, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

42. The method of claim 40, wherein the first and second samples are portions  
5 of a single sample obtained from the subject.

43. The method of claim 40, wherein the first and second samples are portions of pooled samples obtained from the subject.

10 44. A method of assessing the efficacy of a therapy for inhibiting cancer in a subject, the method comprising comparing:

a) the amount and/or activity of a marker in the first sample obtained from the subject prior to providing at least a portion of the therapy to the subject, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, and

15 b) the amount and/or activity of the marker in a second sample obtained from the subject following provision of the portion of the therapy,

wherein a significantly higher amount and/or activity of the marker in the first sample residing in an MCR which is deleted in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the test compound is efficacious for inhibiting cancer and wherein a  
20 significantly lower amount and/or activity of the marker in the first sample residing in an MCR which is amplified in cancer, relative to the second sample, is an indication that the therapy is efficacious for inhibiting cancer in the subject.

45. The method of claim 44, wherein the marker is selected from the group  
25 consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

46. A method of selecting a composition capable of modulating cancer, the method comprising:

a) obtaining a sample comprising cancer cells;  
30 b) contacting said cells with a test compound; and  
c) determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the amount and/or activity of a marker, wherein the marker is a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1,

thereby identifying a modulator of cancer.

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47. The method of claim 46, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

48. The method of claim 46, wherein said cells are isolated from an animal model of cancer.

49. The method of claim 46, wherein said cells are from a cancer cell line.

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50. The method of claim 46, wherein said cells are from a subject suffering from cancer.

51. The method of claim 49, wherein said cells are from a pancreatic cancer cell line originating from a pancreatic tumor.

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52. A method of selecting a composition capable of modulating cancer, the method comprising:

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a) contacting a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 with a test compound; and

b) determining the ability of the test compound to modulate the amount and/or activity of a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, thereby identifying a composition capable of modulating cancer.

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53. The method of claim 52, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

54. The method of claim 46 or 52, further comprising administering the test compound to an animal model of cancer.

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55. The method of claim 46 or 52, wherein the modulator inhibits amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 5.

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56. The method of claim 46 or 52, wherein the modulator increases the amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4.

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57. A kit for assessing the ability of a compound to inhibit cancer, the kit comprising a reagent for assessing the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1.

58. A kit for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer, the kit comprising a reagent for assessing the copy number of an MCR selected from the group consisting of the MCRs listed in Table 1.

5 59. A kit for assessing whether a subject is afflicted with cancer, the kit comprising a reagent for assessing the amount, structure, and/or activity of a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1..

10 60. A kit for assessing the presence of human cancer cells, the kit comprising an antibody or fragment thereof, wherein the antibody or fragment thereof specifically binds with a protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1.

15 61. A kit for assessing the presence of cancer cells, the kit comprising a nucleic acid probe wherein the probe specifically binds with a transcribed polynucleotide corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1.

62. The kit of claim 61, wherein the nucleic acid probe is a molecular beacon probe.

20 63. The kit of any one of claims 57, 59, 60, or 61, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

25 64. A method of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a modulator of amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1, , thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer.

30 65. The method of claim 64, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Tables 4 or 5.

35 66. A method of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a compound which inhibits the amount and/or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 which is amplified in cancer, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer.

67. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is administered in a pharmaceutically acceptable formulation.

68. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is an antibody or an antigen binding fragment thereof, which specifically binds to a protein corresponding to said marker .

5 69. The method of claim 68, wherein said antibody is conjugated to a toxin.

70. The method of claim 68, wherein said antibody is conjugated to a chemotherapeutic agent.

10 71. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is an RNA interfering agent which inhibits expression of a gene corresponding to said marker .

72. The method of claim 71, wherein said RNA interfering agent is an siRNA molecule or an shRNA molecule.

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73. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is an antisense oligonucleotide complementary to a gene corresponding to said marker .

20 74. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is a peptide or peptidomimetic.

75. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is a small molecule which inhibits activity of said marker .

25 76. The method of claim 75, wherein said small molecule inhibits a protein-protein interaction between a marker and a target protein.

77. The method of claim 66, wherein said compound is an aptamer which inhibits expression or activity of said marker .

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78. The method of claim 66, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 5.

35 79. A method of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a compound which increases expression or activity of a gene or protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 which is deleted in cancer, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer.

80. A method of treating a subject afflicted with cancer comprising administering to the subject a protein corresponding to a marker which resides in an MCR listed in Table 1 which is deleted in cancer, thereby treating a subject afflicted with cancer.

5 81. The method of any one of claims 79 or 80, wherein the marker is selected from the group consisting of the markers listed in Table 4.

82. The method of claim 80, wherein the protein is provided to the cells of the subject, by a vector comprising a polynucleotide encoding the protein.

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83. The method of claim 79, wherein said compound is administered in a pharmaceutically acceptable formulation.

84. An isolated protein, or fragment thereof, corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

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85. An isolated nucleic acid molecule, or fragment thereof, corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

20 86. An isolated antibody, or fragment thereof, which specifically binds to a protein corresponding to a marker selected from the markers listed in Table 4 or Table 5.

87. An isolated nucleic acid molecule, or fragment thereof, contained within an MCR selected from the MCRs listed in Table 1, wherein said nucleic acid molecule has an altered amount, structure, and/or activity in cancer.

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88. An isolated polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule of claim 87.

89. A method for identifying a marker associated with cancer, said method comprising:

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- a) performing profiling of the genome of cancer cells;
- b) performing segmentation analysis of profiles identified in step a);
- c) identifying loci;
- d) prioritizing said identified loci; and
- e) interrogating genes in the identified loci, to thereby identify a marker associated with cancer.

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90. A method for identifying a locus associated with cancer, said method comprising the steps of:

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- a) performing profiling of the genome of cancer cells;
  - b) performing segmentation analysis of profiles identified in step a);
  - c) identifying loci; and
  - d) prioritizing said identified loci,
- to thereby identify a locus associated with cancer.

91. The method of claim 89, wherein said interrogation of genes in the identified loci is based on gene expression data.

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92. The method of claim 89, wherein said interrogation of genes in the identified loci is based on *in vitro* screening assays.

93. The method of claim 89 or 90, wherein said profiling is performed using comparative genomic hybridization (CGH).

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94. The method of claim 89 or 90, wherein said cancer cells are derived from a cancer cell line or a tumor.

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95. A marker identified by the method of claim 89.

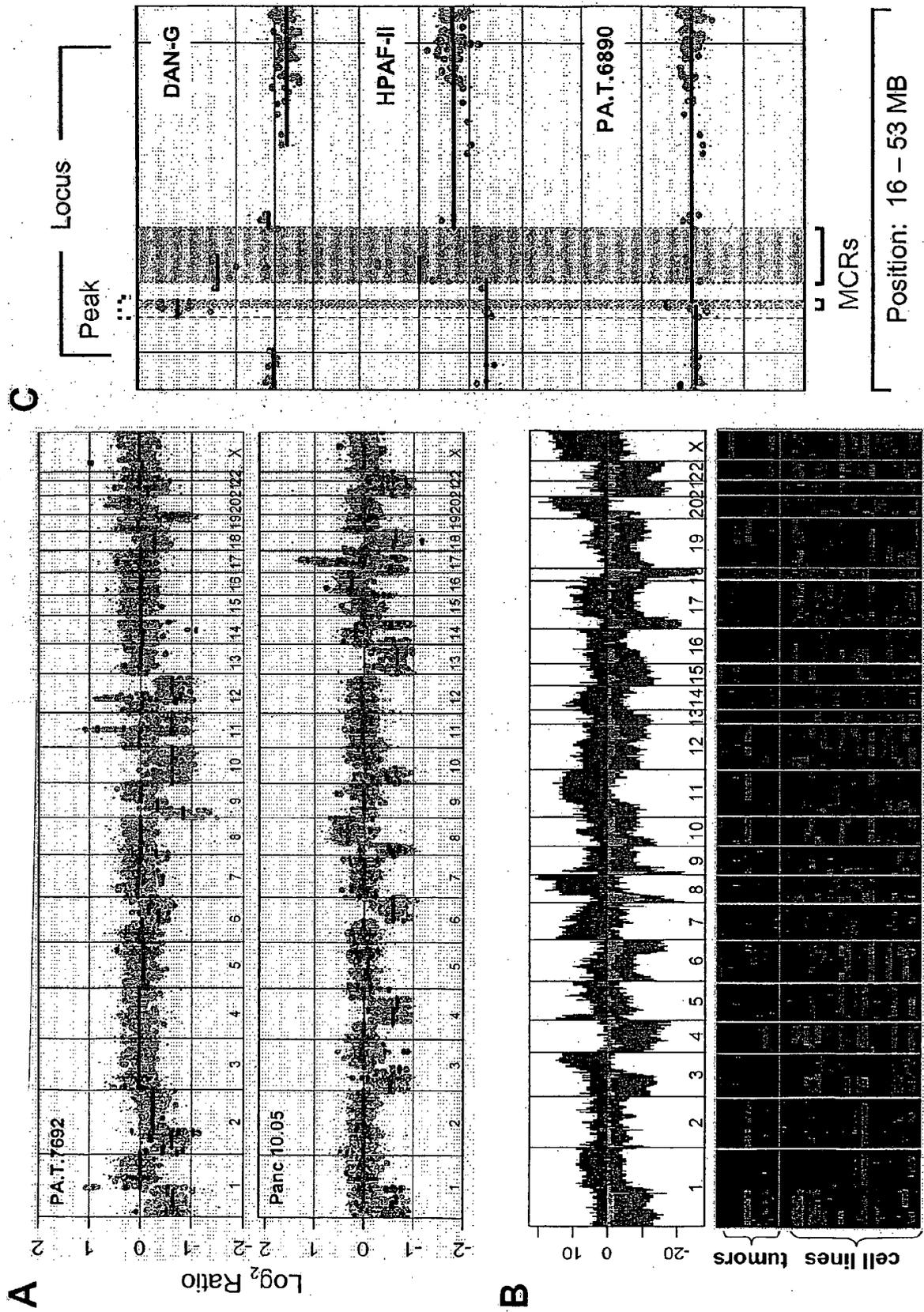


Figure 1

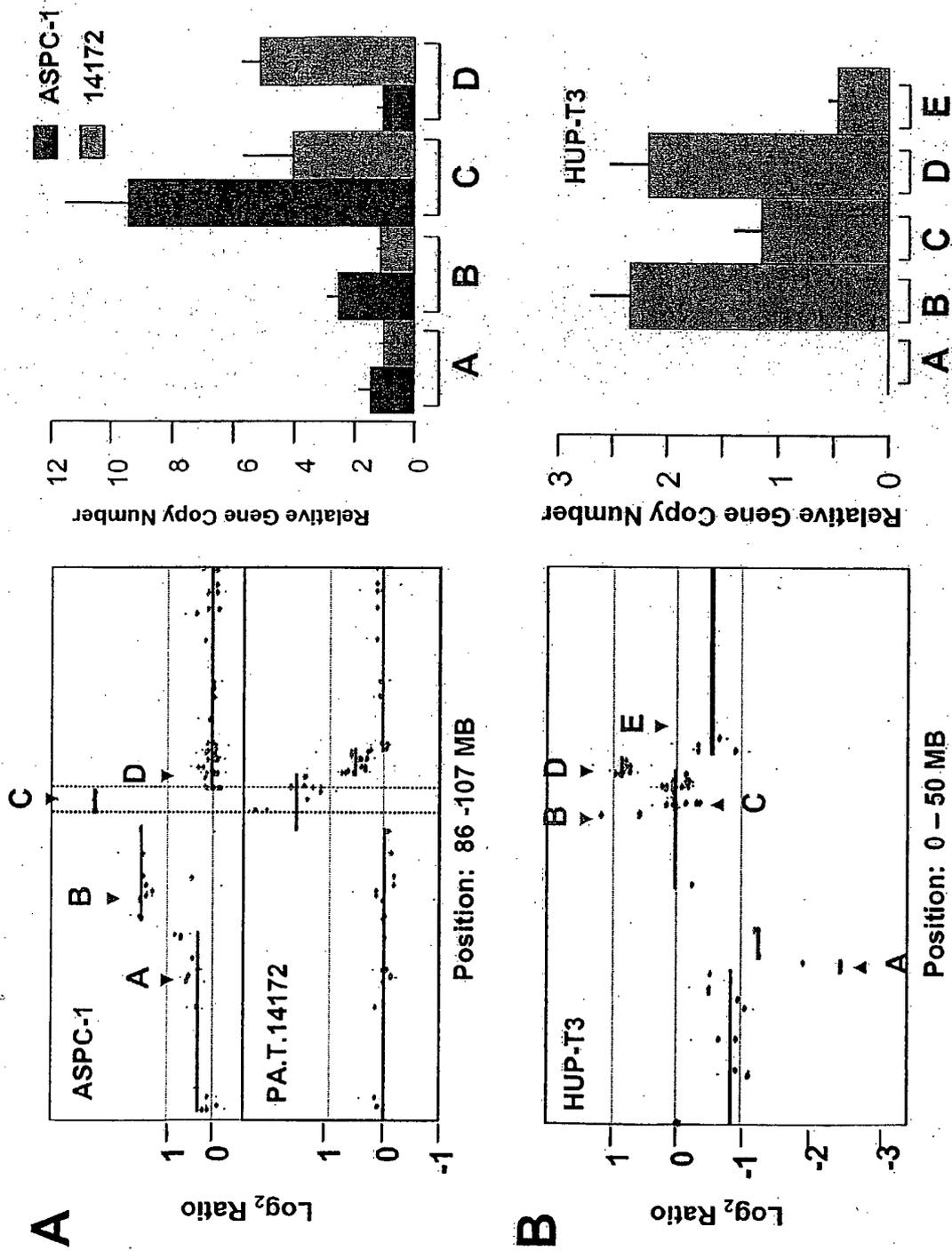


FIGURE 2

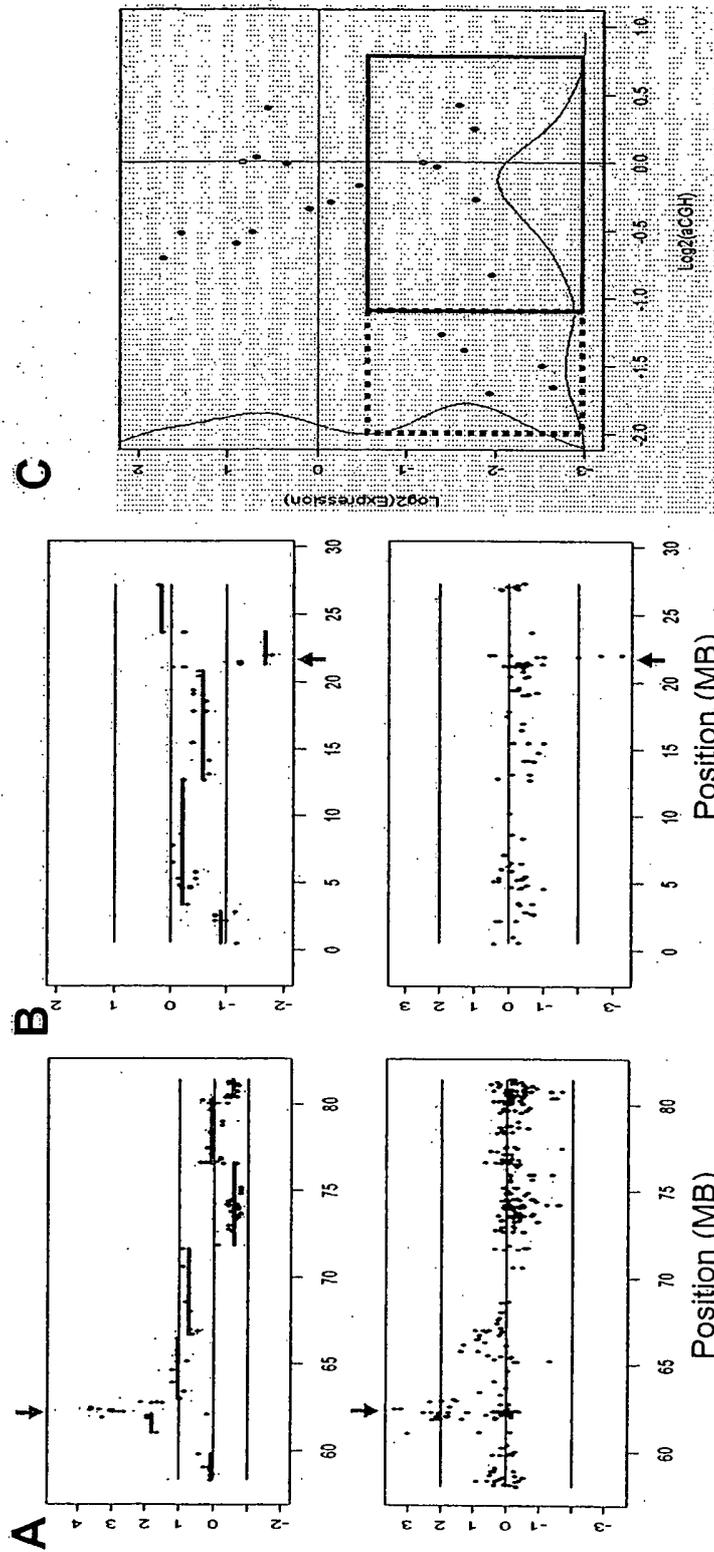


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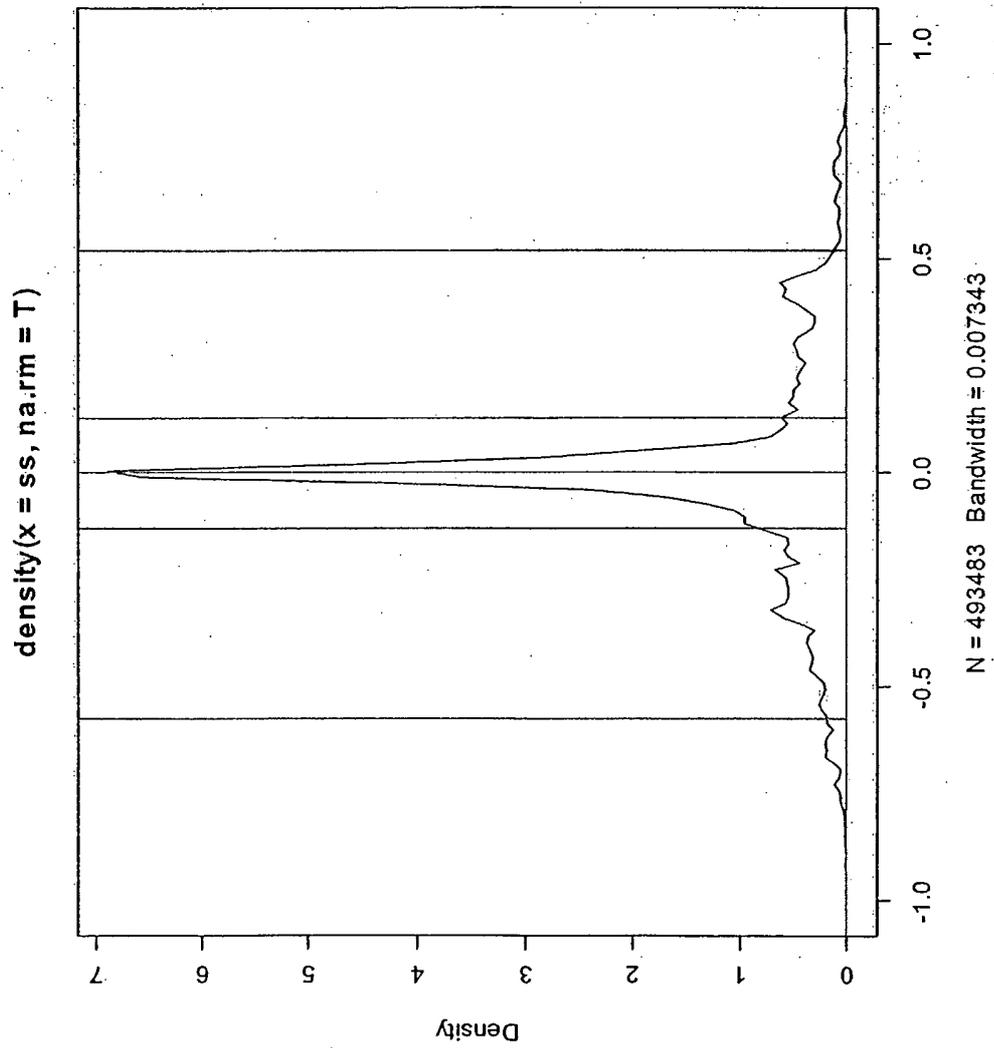


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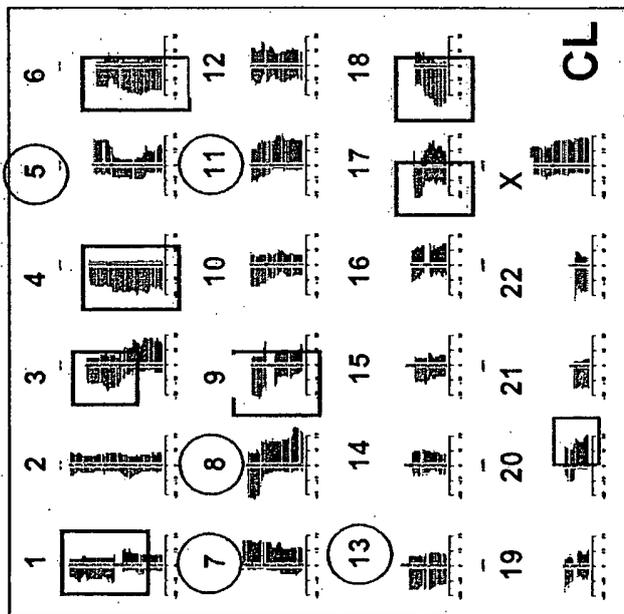
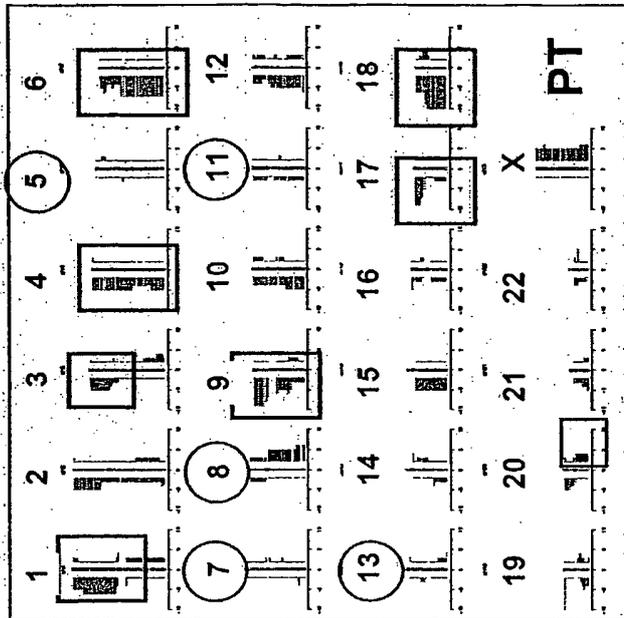


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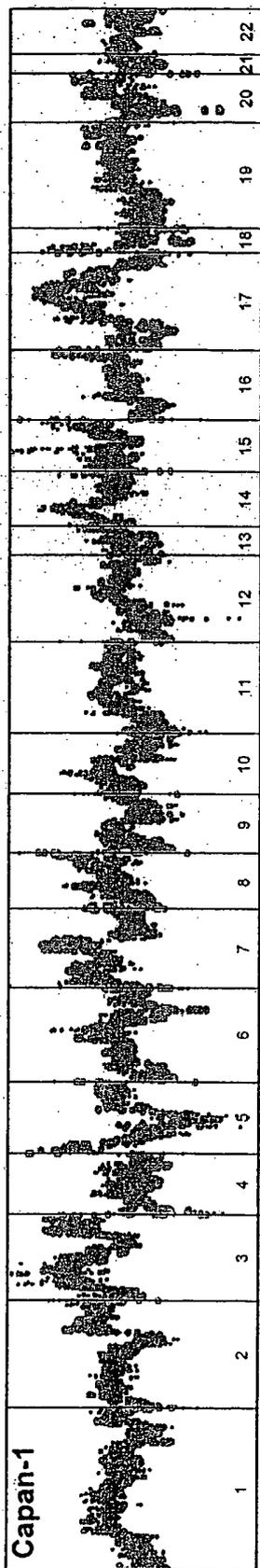


FIGURE 6