Supplemental Online Table 1. Primers used for real-time PCR amplification of *BCL2L12*, *BCL2*, and *GAPDH*.

Gene	Primer sequence	Length of the PCR product (bp)	T_m of the PCR product (^oC)
BCL2L12	5'-CCCTCGGCCTTGCTCTCT-3 5'-GGGCCACCAAAGCATAGAAG-3'	86	81.7
BCL2	5'-TCGCCCTGTGGATGACTGA-3' 5'-CAGAGACAGCCAGGAGAAATCA-3'	134	82.2
GAPDH	5- CCTCCCGCTTCGCTCTCT-3' 5'-CCGTTGACTCCGACCTTCAC-3'	116	80.1

Supplemental Online Table 2. *BCL2L12* and *BCL2* mRNA expression analysis in CLL patients and healthy controls.

Variable	Mean ± S.E.[b]	Median	Range
BCL2L12[a] in CLL patients (*n* = 64)	204.7 ± 19.6	171.8	0.14 – 729.5
BCL2L12 [a] in healthy controls (*n* = 23)	61.3 ± 19.4	17.9	0.14 – 403.6
	$p < 0.001$[c]		
BCL2 [a] in CLL patients (*n* = 65)	12,734.2 ± 1440.9	9254.0	204.0 – 46,559.0
BCL2 [a] in healthy controls (*n* = 23)	5563.1 ± 2076.6	1874.0	27.0 – 45,887.0
	$p < 0.001$[c]		

[a] c/Kc: mRNA copies *I* 1000 *GAPDH* mRNA copies.

[b] Standard error of the mean.

[c] Calculated using the Mann-Whitney *U* test.

Supplemental Online Table 3. Relationships between the studied continuous variables in CLL patients, assessed by Spearman correlation coefficient.

		BCL2L12	***BCL2***	**WBC[a]**	**Lymphocytes**	**Age**	**Early apoptosis index**	**CD38**
BCL2L12	r_s	1.000	0.345	0.239	0.241	-0.279	-0.110	-0.236
	p	—	**0.005**	0.057	0.055	**0.026**	0.483	0.119
BCL2	r_s	0.345	1.000	0.367	0.338	-0.223	-0.342	-0.423
	p	**0.005**	—	**0.003**	**0.006**	0.074	**0.025**	**0.004**
WBC[a]	r_s	0.239	0.367	1.000	0.978	-0.039	-0.310	-0.617
	p	0.057	**0.003**	—	**<0.001**	0.757	**0.043**	**<0.001**
Lymphocytes	r_s	0.241	0.338	0.978	1.000	0.005	-0.322	-0.604
	p	0.055	**0.006**	**<0.001**	—	0.966	**0.035**	**<0.001**
Age	r_s	-0.279	-0.223	-0.039	0.005	1.000	0.020	0.171
	p	**0.026**	0.074	0.757	0.966	—	0.901	0.262
Early apoptosis index	r_s	-0.110	-0.342	-0.310	-0.322	0.020	1.000	0.012
	p	0.483	**0.025**	**0.043**	**0.035**	0.901	—	0.939
CD38	r_s	-0.236	-0.423	-0.617	-0.604	0.171	0.012	1.000
	p	0.119	**0.004**	**<0.001**	**<0.001**	0.262	0.939	—

[a] White blood cells.