

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Bibert et al., <http://www.jem.org/cgi/content/full/jem.20130012/DC1>**Table S1.** Patient characteristics

Proportion	Response to treatment <i>n</i> = 540	Spontaneous clearance <i>n</i> = 93
Male sex	0.64	0.55
White ethnicity	1.00	1.00
Median age (IQR) ^a	45 (14)	38 (10)
HCV genotype ^b		
1	0.44	NA
2	0.13	NA
3	0.34	NA
4	0.09	NA
HCV RNA $\geq 6 \log_{10}$ copies/ml ^c	0.52	NA
Median ALT (IU/L, IQR) ^d	79 (81)	NA
HCV reported risks		
Drug use	0.38	NA
Invasive procedures / needle stick	0.22	NA
Transfusion	0.17	NA
Other/Unknown	0.21	NA
Alcohol consumption ^e		
>40 g/d for ≥ 5 yr	0.20	NA
Diabetes	0.09	NA
Median BMI (kg/m ² , IQR) ^f	24 (5)	NA
HIV ^g	0.05	NA
Chronic HBV infection ^h	0.03	NA
Biopsy		
Histological activity ⁱ		
0 (none or minimal)	0.34	NA
1 (mild, moderate or severe)	0.66	NA
Fibrosis stage (Metavir) ^j		
0–1	0.28	NA
2–4	0.72	NA
Steatosis ^k	0.67	NA

Numbers are the proportion of patients with indicated characteristics.

^aAge at treatment start for patients with chronic infection, at cohort entry for those with spontaneous clearance.

^bHCV genotypes are missing in most patients with spontaneous clearance.

^cMedian RNA before treatment was $6 \log_{10}$ copies/ml; data were missing in 63 patients.

^dALT value before treatment was missing in 168 patients.

^eAlcohol consumption data before treatment was missing in 8 patients.

^fBMI before/during treatment was missing in 75 patients.

^gHIV serology was missing in 95 patients.

^hHBV serology was missing in 106 patients.

ⁱHistological activity before treatment was missing in 165 patients.

^jFibrosis stage before treatment was missing in 164 patients.

^kSteatosis data before treatment were missing in 113 patients.

Table S2. Genotypic association of *IL28B* polymorphisms with response to pegylated IFN- α and ribavirin in chronically infected HCV patients

Polymorphisms	Genotype	n	Prop. SVR ^a	Univariate models ^b (n = 540)		Multivariate models ^{b,c} (n = 360)	
				OR (95% CI)	P	OR (95% CI)	P
<i>rs12979860</i>	TT/TT	189	0.80				
	TT/-G	292	0.55	0.30 (0.20–0.46)	3.03 ⁻⁸	0.18 (0.09–0.36)	6.95 ⁻⁷
	-G/-G	59	0.41	0.17 (0.09–0.31)	2.77 ⁻⁸	0.11 (0.04–0.33)	7.17 ⁻⁵
	CC	189	0.77				
	CT	289	0.56	0.38 (0.25–0.58)	4.41 ⁻⁶	0.24 (0.13–0.46)	1.82 ⁻⁵
	TT	62	0.45	0.24 (0.13–0.44)	4.42 ⁻⁶	0.20 (0.07–0.53)	1.34 ⁻³

OR stands for odds ratio and CI for confidence interval.

^aData indicate the proportion of patients with SVR for indicated host genotypes.

^bOdds ratios and p-values for heterozygous and homozygous mutant patients versus WT patients.

^cMultivariate models are adjusted for age, sex, HCV RNA level, fibrosis stage, and viral genotype. Multivariate models included a smaller number of patients, due to missing covariates in some patients.

Table S3. Primers

	Forward	Reverse	Vic probe	Fam probe
RT-PCR amplification				
IL28B	5'-CAGCTGCAGGTGAGGGAGCGCCCG-3'	5'-GGTGGCCTCCAGAACCTT-3'		
IP-10	5'-CTGCTTTGGGGTTTATCAGA-3'	5'-CCACTGAAAGAATTTGGGC-3'		
TNF	5'-CAGAGGGCCTGTACCTCATC-3'	5'-GGAAGACCCCTCCAGATAG-3'		
HPRT	5'-GAACGTCTTGCTCGAGATGTG-3'	5'-CCAGCAGGTCAGCAAAGAATT-3'		
PCR amplification				
PAun	5'-TCAGCCTCGCTGGTCTCC-3'	5'-TGCTGTGCCTTCACGCTCCG-3'		
BSPA	5'-GTTTTAGGGGTATAGGGGTTG-3'	5'-AAACCCTCTTTAACTTCCTAAC-3'		
SNP genotyping				
NCBI dbSNP ID				
<i>rs12979860</i>	5'-TGTA CTGAAC CAGGGAGCTC-3'	5'-GC GCGGAGTGCAATCAAC-3'	TGGTTCGCGCCTTC	CTGGTTCACGCCTTC
TT/-G	5'-CTCCAGCGAGCGGTAGTG-3'	5'-GATGCGGCCGAGTGTCT-3'	TCGCAGAAGGCC	ATCGCAGCGGCC

Fragments containing the TT/-G were amplified from unmethylated DNA with PAun primers and from bisulfite-modified DNA, with bisulfite sequencing primers (BSPA) designed using MethPrimer