

Supplemental Material to:

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ANGPT2 promoter methylation is strongly associated with gene expression and prognosis in chronic lymphocytic leukemia

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Supplementary Table 1. Time to first treatment (TTFT) and overall survival (OS) of 88 CLL patients in relation to classical prognostic factors

	TTFT (median months)	N° treated cases	P-value	OS (median months)	N° dead cases	P-value
Clinical stage						
Binet A	117	15/40	<0.001	177	15/50	
Binet B-C	2	14/19		72	15/26	0.003
IGHV mutational status						
Mutated (<98%)	117	10/35	<0.001	177	14/46	
Unmutated ($\geq 98\%$)	18	20/27		61	22/40	<0.001
CD38						
CD38 negative (<30%)	97	16/39	0.010	121	21/54	
CD38 positive ($\geq 30\%$)	5	9/12		57	14/21	0.011
FISH stratification						
Low risk	97	13/35	<0.001	177	16/49	
Intermediate/high risk	3	14/16		61	15/23	<0.001

Legend: Low FISH risk = no abnormalities or del(13q); Intermediate/high FISH risk = del(11q), del(17p) or trisomy 12.

Abbreviations: FISH = fluorescence in situ hybridization; IGHV = variable region of immunoglobulin heavy chain genes.

Supplementary Table 2. Levels of ANGPT2 expression and CpG methylation compared between PBMCs and sorted B cell samples

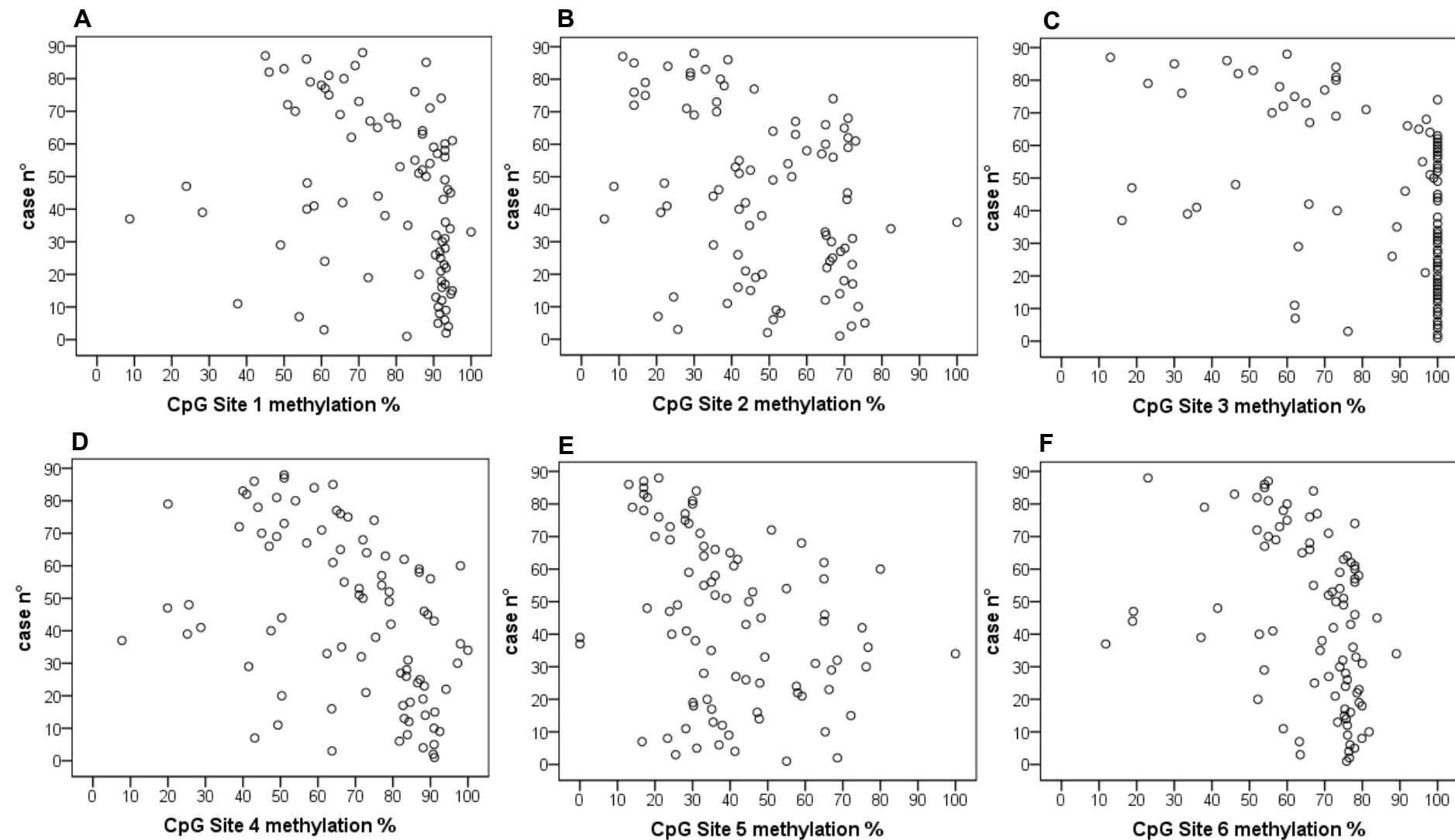
Case number	Sample type	IGHV mutational status	Relative ANGPT2 mRNA expression to B2M	Meth % CpG Site 1	Meth % CpG Site 2	Meth % CpG Site 3	Meth % CpG Site 4	Meth % CpG Site 5	Meth % CpG Site 6	Meth % average all CpG sites
CLL 1	PBMCs	UM	8,75x10 ⁻⁵	56	22	46	26	18	42	35
CLL 2	PBMCs	UM	2,75x10 ⁻⁵	83	45	89	66	35	69	65
CLL 3	PBMCs	M	0	93	72	100	83	35	75	76
CLL 4	PBMCs	UM	6,12x10 ⁻⁴	58	23	36	29	28	56	38
CLL 5	PBMCs	M	7,43x10 ⁻⁴	56	42	73	47	24	53	49
CLL 6	PBMCs	UM	6,85x10 ⁻⁵	77	48	100	75	31	69	67
CLL 7	PBMCs	M	2,93x10 ⁻⁶	91	75	100	91	31	78	78
CLL 8	PBMCs	M	8,91x10 ⁻⁷	93	72	100	84	63	80	82
CLL 1	sorted		3,30x10 ⁻⁴	53	29	45	32	35	32	38
CLL 2	sorted		1,12x10 ⁻⁴	72	34	100	62	65	26	60
CLL 3	sorted		0	100	64	100	100	78	64	84
CLL 4	sorted		1,90x10 ⁻³	47	11	25	39	28	26	29
CLL 5	sorted		2,01x10 ⁻³	41	26	100	48	44	32	49
CLL 6	sorted		6,40x10 ⁻⁵	64	37	100	97	54	57	68
CLL 7	sorted		0	100	60	100	100	67	69	83
CLL 8	sorted		0	100	65	100	100	72	69	84
HD 1	sorted		0	100	58	100	100	100	64	87
HD 2	sorted		2,22x10 ⁻⁶	100	60	100	100	100	60	87

Abbreviations: CLL = chronic lymphocytic leukemia; HD = healthy donor; PBMCs = peripheral blood mononuclear cells; sorted = sorted B cells; IGHV = immunoglobulin heavy chain variable genes; UM = unmutated; M = mutated; Meth % = methylation percentage.

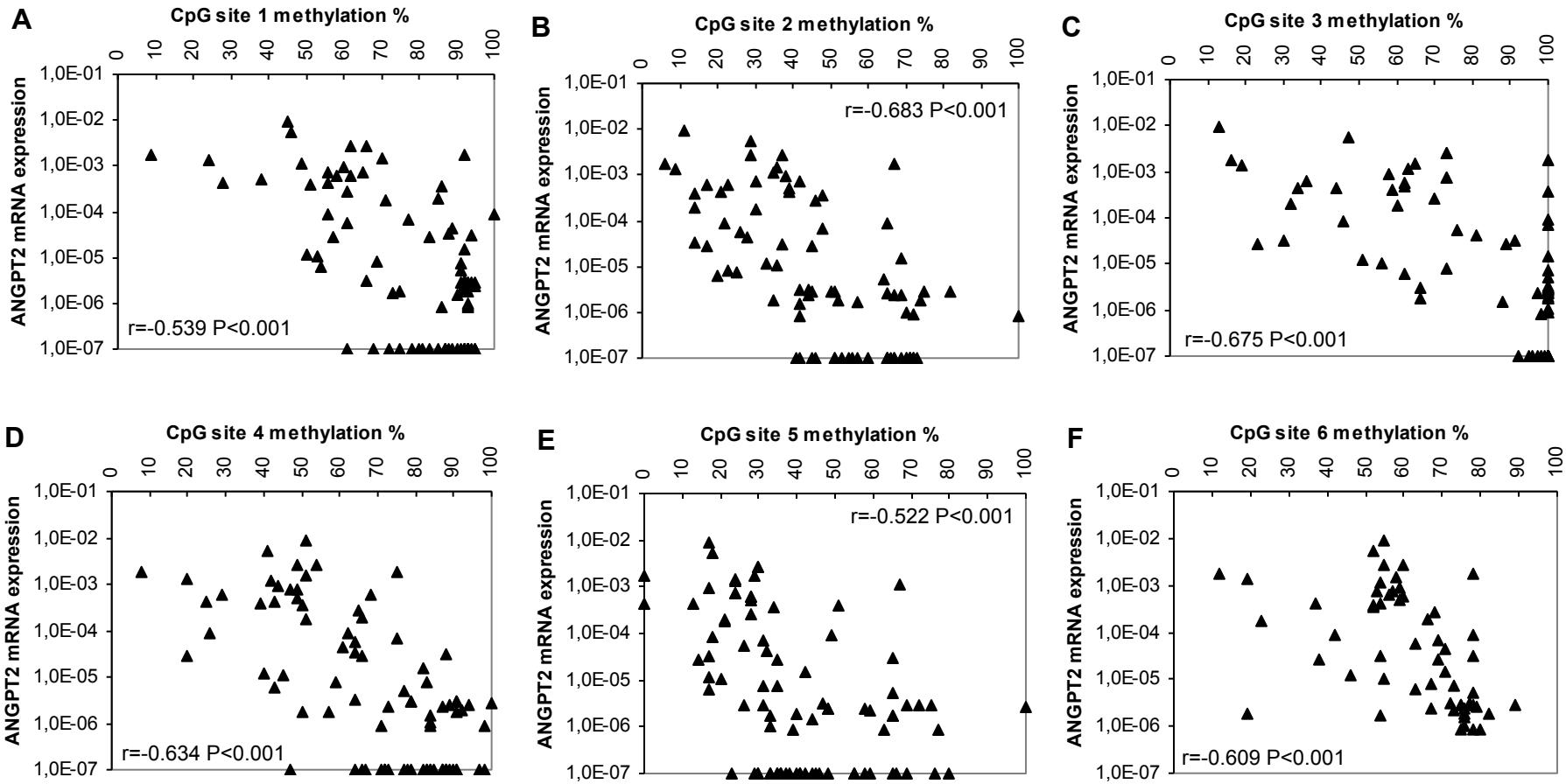
Supplementary Table 3. ANGPT2 CpG methylation percentages and apoptotic cell rates in MEC1 and RAMOS cell lines after 72 hours of DAC/TSA treatment in a representative experiment

	Treatment	Meth % CpG 1	Meth % CpG 2	Meth % CpG 3	Meth % CpG 4	Meth % CpG 5	Meth % CpG 6	Meth % average all CpG sites	Apoptotic cell rate (%)
MEC1	control	100	53	100	100	100	60	86	4.1
MEC1	5 µM DAC	50	29	100	57	100	27	61	2.5
MEC1	10 µM DAC	40	33	100	68	46	35	54	9.8
MEC1	10 µM DAC + TSA	19	26	95	28	33	19	37	35.3
RAMOS	control	100	63	100	100	85	78	88	10.1
RAMOS	5 µM DAC	45	42	100	49	58	33	55	3.9
RAMOS	10 µM DAC	39	37	100	44	32	27	47	1.4
RAMOS	10 µM DAC + TSA	15	22	86	25	30	16	32	37.9

Abbreviations: DAC = 5-aza-2'-deoxycytidine; TSA = Trichostatin A; Meth % = methylation percentage.



Supplementary Figure 1. The scatter plots show the distributions of methylation percentages (%) for each CpG site among 88 CLL cases. CpG site 1 is represented in panel A, CpG site 2 in panel B, CpG site 3 in panel C, CpG site 4 in panel D, CpG site 5 in panel E and CpG site in panel F.



Supplementary Figure 2. The scatter plots show the inverse correlations between the relative ANGPT2 mRNA expression to B2M (in log10 scale) and the methylation percentage (%) for each CpG site in 88 CLL patients (all Spearman tests). 1×10^{-7} value coincides with the max sensibility of the RQ-PCR method for ANGPT2 mRNA expression and here is used instead of zero. CpG site 1 is shown in panel A, CpG site 2 in panel B, CpG site 3 in panel C, CpG site 4 in panel D, CpG site 5 in panel E and CpG site 6 in panel F.