

**Table S1. Primers used for quantitative real-time PCR**

Gene Name	Accession #	Sequences (5' → 3')	Product size (bp)	Efficiency (%)
IL-6 ( <i>il6</i> )	NM_001261449.1	Fw: GACATCCAGCACTTCCCTATCC Rv: TTCCCTCTTTTCCCTCCTGCTC	138	95.5
CNTF ( <i>cntf</i> )	NM_001145632.1	Fw: GCGACTGGTGGGAGTTTTG Rv: AGCACCTCTTCTTGCCGTTG	150	94.7
LIF ( <i>m17</i> )	NM_001079833.1	Fw: CAAGTCAAATTCAGAGCATACTTCG Rv: TGAGCTTCAGACTTCGGTGAA	121	95.5
β-actin ( <i>actb1</i> )	NM_131031.1	Fw: CGCAAATACTCCGTCTGGAT Rv: GCACTTCCTGTGAACGATGG	120	95.2

Fw: forward, Rv: reverse