

**S2 Table: Sequence of the primers used for the quantitative real-time PCR**

Gene	Forward primer sequence (5'-3')	Reverse primer sequence (5'-3')
Bax	CTCAAGGCCCTGTGCACTAA	CACGGAGGAAGTCCAGTGTC
Bcl2	CTTGAGTTCGGTGGGTCA	AGTTCCACAAAGGCATCCCA
CD68	TTCTGCTGTGGAAATGCAAG	AGAGGGCTGGTAGGTTGAT
Cyclin D1	CCATGCTCAAGACGGAGGAG	ATCCAGGTGGCCACGATTG
CYP2E1	AAGAATGAGTTCTCTGGCCG	CCAGTCACGGAGGATACTTA
Desmin	ATGCAGCCACTCTAGCTCGT	CTCATACTGAGCCCAGATGT
F4/80 (EMR1)	TGCATCTAGCAATGGACAGC	GCCTTCTGGATCCATTGAA
GAPDH	ACAGTCCATGCCATCACTGC	GATCCACGACGGACACATTG
IFN $\gamma$	AGCAAGGCGAAAAAGGATGC	TCATTGAATGCTTGGCGCTG
IL-1 $\beta$	GCCAAGACAGGTCGCTCAGGG	CCCCCACACGTTGACAGCTAGG
IL-13	GTATGGAGTGTGGACCTGGC	CTCTGGGT CCTGTAGATGGC
Ly6C2	TGGACAGTACTCACGCTACA	GGCACTCCATAGCACTCGTA
MCP1 (CCL2)	GTGCTGACCCAAGAAGGAA	GTGCTGAAGACCTTAGGGCA
MMP13	CCAGAACTTCCCAACCATGT	GTCTTCCCCGTGTTCTCAA
MMP9	CGTCGTGATCCCCACTTACT	AACACACAGGGTTGCCTTC
NS3/4A	GTTGTCGTCGTGGCAACTG	GAGGAAGCGTGGTTGTCTCA
Procollagen 1 $\alpha$ 1	TGACTGGAAGAGCGGAGAGT	ATCCATCGGT CATGCTCT
Procollagen 3 $\alpha$ 1	ACTGTCCCACGTAAGCACTG	CAGGAGGCCATAGCTGAAC
TGF $\beta$	GGACTCTCACCTGCAAGAC	CTGGCGAGCCTAGTTGGA
TNF $\alpha$	AGGCTGCCCGACTACGTGC	CAGCGCTGAGTTGGTCCCCC
YM1 or CHI3L3	ACTTGATGCCCTAACCTG	AATGATTCTGCTCCTGTGG
$\alpha$ -sma	ACTACTGCCAGCGTGAGAT	CCAATGAAAGATGGCTGGAA

**Abbreviations:**  $\alpha$ -sma, alpha smooth muscle actin; Bax, Bcl2-associated X protein; Bcl2, B-cell CLL/lymphoma 2; MCP1 (CCL2), macrophage chemotactic protein 1 (chemokine C – C motif ligand 2); CD68, cluster of differentiation 68; F4/80 or EMR1, EGF-like module-containing mucin-like hormone receptor-like 1; GAPDH, Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase; IL-1 $\beta$ , Interleukin 1 beta; Ly6C2, mouse lymphocyte antigen 6 complex, locus C2; MMP9 or MMP13, Matrix metalloproteinase 9 or 13; TNF $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor alpha; YM1 or CHI3L3, chitinase 3-like-3; CYP2E1, Cytochrome P450 E1; TGF $\beta$ , Transforming growth factor; NS3/4A, Nonstructural protein 3/4A; IL-13, Interleukin-13; IFN $\gamma$ , Interferon gamma.