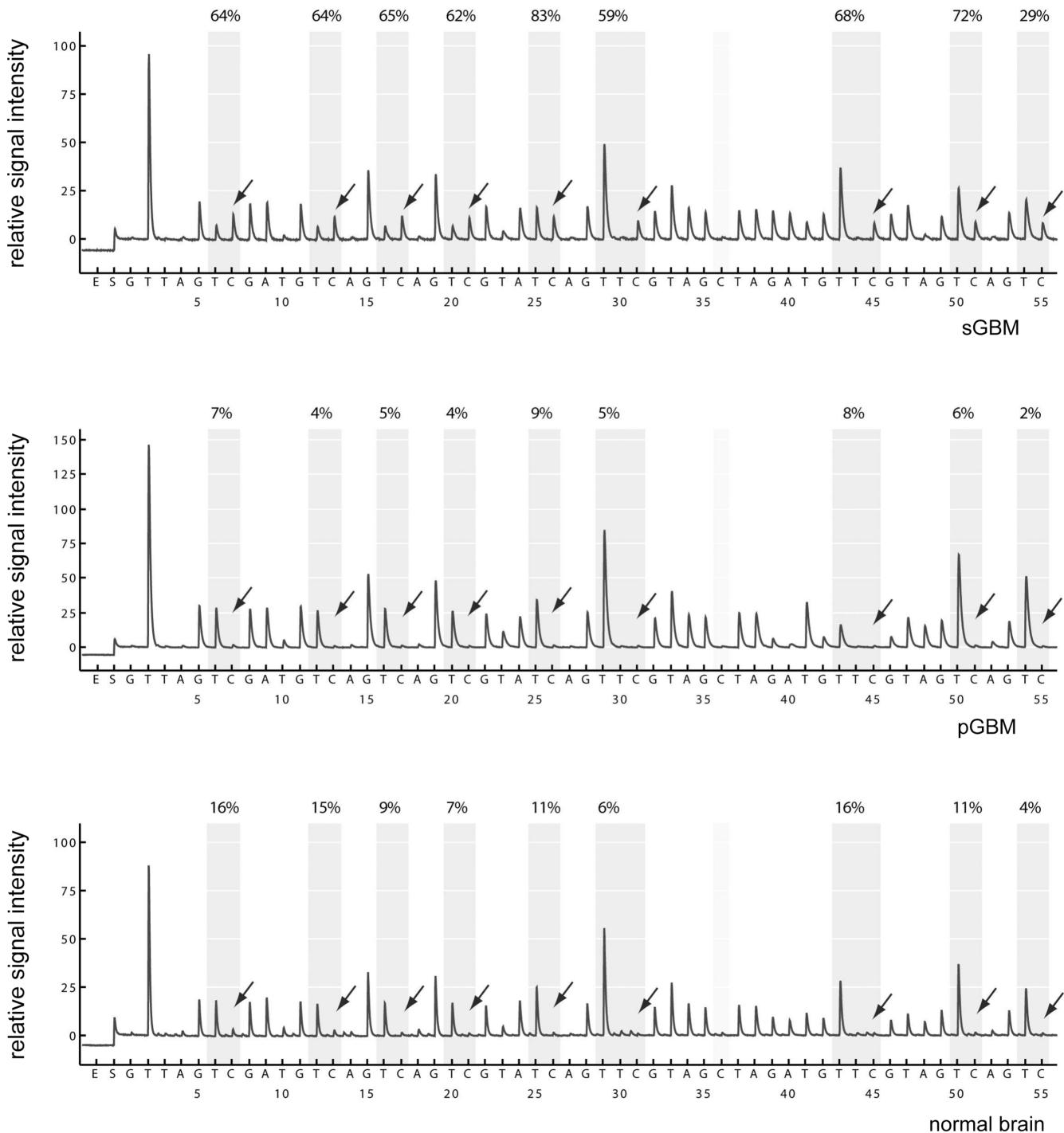


Altered splicing leads to reduced activation of CPEB3 in high-grade gliomas

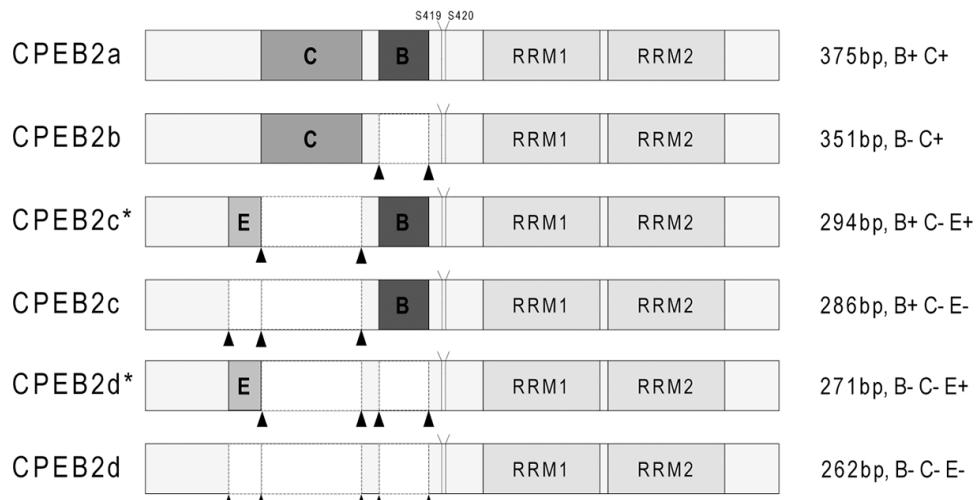
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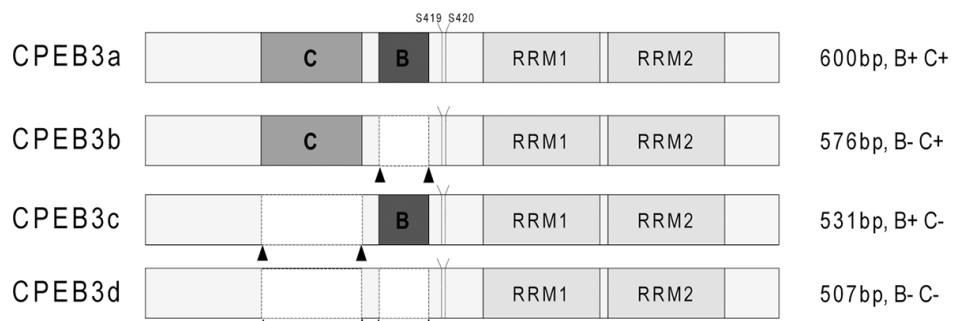
Supplementary Figure S1: Pyrosequencing analysis of CpG islands in the 5'-region of CPEB1 gene in glioma and normal brain tissue. The pyrogram of sGBM (top) showed strong methylation of up to 83% of the CpG positions. The pyrograms of a pGBM (middle) and normal brain tissue (bottom) showed methylation of the investigated region up to 16%.



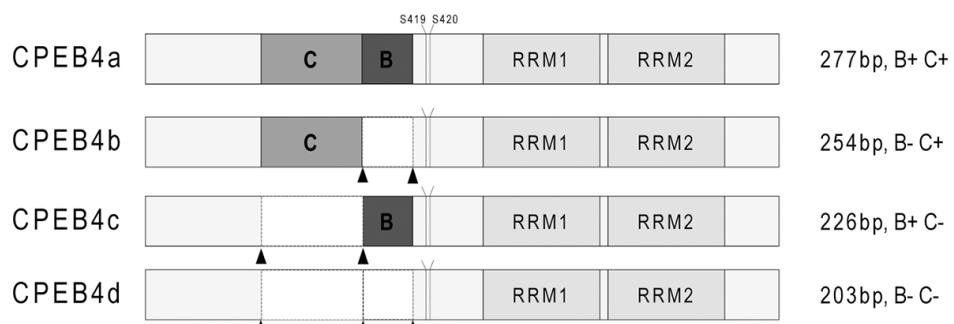
Scheme based on Wilczynska et al., 2005; Wang & Cooper, 2010



Scheme based on Wang & Cooper, 2010 ; Turimella et al., 2015



Scheme based on Theis et al., 2003; Wang & Cooper, 2010



Scheme based on Theis et al., 2003; Wang & Cooper, 2010

Supplementary Figure S2: Scheme displaying alternative splice variants of CPEB1-4 detected by fragment analysis of human glioma samples. Primers flanking the variable region resulted in 2 (CPEB1), 4 (CPEB3-4) and 6 (CPEB2) amplicons with varying sizes. The Δ5 deletion of CPEB1, full size isoforms of CPEB2-4 and alternations in the presence of B- C- E- regions of CPEB2-4 were labeled accordingly.

Supplementary Table S1: Primers used for amplification of bisulfite treated DNA and primers used for pyrosequencing

Primers for amplification of bisulfite treated DNA:

Gene	Sequence
CPEB1	fw 5' GGGGGTTAGAGATTAAAGTTGAG 3'
CPEB1	rev 5'-BIOTIN-ACTCCCATCCAAAAACCAATAATCT 3'
CPEB2	fw 5' GGGGGTTATTAGTTAAGTGAGAGTG 3'
CPEB2	rev 5'-BIOTIN-TCCCCTACCCAAATTCACT 3'
CPEB3	fw 5'-BIOTIN-GGGGGTTATTAGTTAAGTGAGAGTG 3'
CPEB3	rev 5' ACCACCAACCCATCATAAC 3'
CPEB4	fw 5' GGGGAAAAGAGAGAGAAAGT 3'
CPEB4	rev 5'-BIOTIN-ACTTCCTCTCCCCCATAA 3'

"fw" and "rev" mark forward and reverse primers.

Primers for pyrosequencing:

Gene	Sequence
CPEB1	ps 5'-AAGAGGGTAAGATTATAAG-3'
CPEB2	ps 5'-TGGGGGAGTGGGAGA-3'
CPEB3	ps 5'-CCAACCCATCATAACC-3'
CPEB4	ps 5'-GGTTTAGTATTTAG-3'

"ps" marks pyrosequencing primers.

Supplementary Table S2: Evaluation of CPEB1-4 expression in glioma tissue

Expression of CPEB1 in:	no. of n.a. samples	no. of investigated samples	no. of negative samples	no. of positive samples		
				intensity 1 (weak)	intensity 2 (intermediate)	intensity 3 (strong)
low-grade astrocytoma (AII)	3	8	0	3	4	1
anaplastic astrocytoma (AAIII)	1	21	3	8	9	1
secondary glioblastoma (sGBMIV)	1	7	1	4	2	0
primary glioblastoma (pGBMIV)	3	25	8	12	5	0
content as sum:	8	61	12	27	20	2
content as percentage:		100%	19.67%	44.26%	32.79%	3.28%

Expression of CPEB2 in:	no. of n.a. samples	no. of investigated samples	no. of negative samples	no. of positive samples		
				intensity 1 (weak)	intensity 2 (intermediate)	intensity 3 (strong)
low-grade astrocytoma (AII)	2	9	1	2	2	4
anaplastic astrocytoma (AAIII)	2	20	2	9	4	5
secondary glioblastoma (sGBMIV)	0	8	1	1	4	2
primary glioblastoma (pGBMIV)	3	25	7	10	6	2
content as sum:	7	62	11	22	16	13
content as percentage:		100%	17.74%	35.48%	25.81%	20.97%

Expression of CPEB3 in:	no. of n.a. samples	no. of investigated samples	no. of negative samples	no. of positive samples		
				intensity 1 (weak)	intensity 2 (intermediate)	intensity 3 (strong)
low-grade astrocytoma (AII)	1	10	2	3	3	2
anaplastic astrocytoma (AAIII)	2	20	1	8	9	2
secondary glioblastoma (sGBMIV)	1	7	0	0	3	4
primary glioblastoma (pGBMIV)	4	24	1	6	12	5
content as sum:	8	61	4	17	27	13
content as percentage:		100%	6.56%	27.87%	44.26%	21.31%

Expression of phospho-CPEB3 in:	no. of n.a. samples	no. of investigated samples	no. of negative samples	no. of positive samples		
				intensity 1 (weak)	intensity 2 (intermediate)	intensity 3 (strong)
low-grade astrocytoma (AII)	3	8	1	2	3	2
anaplastic astrocytoma (AAIII)	2	20	3	10	6	1
secondary glioblastoma (sGBMIV)	0	8	1	7	0	0
primary glioblastoma (pGBMIV)	2	26	16	10	0	0
content as sum:	7	62	21	29	9	3
content as percentage:		100%	33.87%	46.77%	14.52%	4.84%

Expression of CPEB4 in:	no. of n.a. samples	no. of investigated samples	no. of negative samples	no. of positive samples		
				intensity 1 (weak)	intensity 2 (intermediate)	intensity 3 (strong)
low-grade astrocytoma (AII)	1	10	0	6	3	1
anaplastic astrocytoma (AAIII)	2	20	0	12	5	3
secondary glioblastoma (sGBMIV)	1	7	1	1	4	1
primary glioblastoma (pGBMIV)	3	25	4	11	5	5
content as sum:	7	62	5	30	17	10
content as percentage:		100%	8.06%	48.39%	27.42%	16.13%

Investigated tissues were classified as being positive or negative for the respective antibody. Immunoreactivity was subdivided into three intensity groups: 1-weak, 2-intermediate and 3-strong n.a. labels not accessible samples.

Supplementary Table S3: Primers and probes used for semi quantitative real-time PCR

Gene	Sequence	Position	Product length	GeneBank accession no.
CPEB1	fw 5' GCACCCAGGACTCAGATTCC 3'	335(v1), 110 (v2)	73 bp (v1),	NM_030594
CPEB1	rev 5' CCCAGTGGTTATGGAGCAT 3'	388 (v1), 163 (v2)	73 bp (v2)	
CPEB1	pb 5' CCCAGAGCAGCACACACTCGGTACTG 3'	358 (v1), 134 (v2)		
PBGD	fw 5' GCTATGAAGGATGGCAACT 3'	808 (v1), 756 (v2), 688 (v3), 637 (v4)	149 bp (v1-v4)	NM_000190
PBGD	rev 5' GTGATGCCTACCAACTGTGG 3'	936 (v1), 886 (v2), 817 (v3), 766 (v4)		
PBGD	pb 5' TGCCCAGCATGAAGATGGCC 3'	906 (v1), 855 (v2), 786 (v3), 735 (v4)		

"fw" and "rev" mark forward and reverse primers, "pb" probe and "v" transcript variant.

Supplementary Table S4: Primers used for reverse transcription and identification of alternative CPEB1-4 splice isoforms

<i>Gene</i>	<i>Sequence</i>	<i>Position</i>	<i>Predicted product length</i>	<i>GeneBank accession no.</i>	<i>Detected product length</i>	<i>Isoform</i>
CPEB1	fw 5' GGATTGGTTAACACCTTCCGTG TTTTGGC 3'	967 (v1), 751 (v2)	176 bp (v1)	NM_030594		
CPEB1	rev 5' AGGCCATCTGGGCTCAGCGGG 3'	1131 (v1), 921 (v2)	191 bp (v2)	NM_001079533	169 bp 182 bp	CPEB1Δ5 CPEB1
CPEB2	fw 5' AACTCCATCACTGACTCCAAAATCT 3'	1860				
CPEB2	rev 5' CAAGCCATCATCTATTGGAA AGAGGGAAGA 3'	2206 2182 2125 2116 2101 2092	375 bp (v4) 352 bp (v2) 295 bp (v3) 286 bp (v5) 271 bp (v6) 262 bp (v1)	NM_001177382 NM_182485 NM_001177381 NM_001177383 NM_001177384 NM_182646	375 bp 351 bp 294 bp 286 bp 271 bp 262 bp	CPEB2a CPEB2b CPEB2 c* CPEB2c CPEB2d* CPEB2d
CPEB3	fw 5' CAAAAAGCCCTCTCCAGCAAC 3'	876				
CPEB3	rev 5' TTCAGCTTGTGAGGCCAGTCTA 3'	14578 1433 1388 1364	604 bp (v1) 580 bp (v3) 535 bp 511 bp	XM_006717715 XM_011539514 * *	600 bp 576 bp 531 bp 507 bp	CPEB3a CPEB3b CPEB3c CPEB3d
CPEB4	fw 5' CAGCTCTGCCTTGACCTAAAT 3'	1053				
CPEB4	rev 5' GGCCATCATCCAAGAACATC 3'	1309 1286 1258 1234	278 bp (v1) 255 bp 227 bp (v2) 203 bp (v3)	NM_30627 NM_001308189 NM_001308191	277bp 254bp 226bp 203bp	CPEB4a CPEB4b CPEB4c CPEB4d

*constructed based on a transcript variant alignment,
The isoforms of CPEB2 were described according to Turimella et al., 2015.

Supplementary Table S5: RT-PCR products (relative fluorescent units) of splice variants of the CPEB 1-4 genes

A

The RT-PCR products of specific splice isoforms of the *CPEB1* gene:

Detected alternative splice isoforms:		Δ5	169 bp	182 bp	508 bp	599 bp
Diagnose	ID/T-Nummer					
AAIII	2377	26683				
AAIII	2526	30894				
AAIII	2725	21376				
AAIII	2744	23806				
AAIII	2771	31813				
AAIII	2897	37449				
AAIII	2899	24278				
AAIII	3423	54168				
AAIII	3545	28195				
AAIII	3546	45194				
AAIII	3548	34216				
AAIII	4045	32681				
GBM	71	38072				
GBM	72	32832				
GBM	132	27337				
GBM	172	21483				
GBM	327	7186				
GBM	328	25658				
GBM	625	27745				
GBM	862	19256				
GBM	1010	25856				
GBM	1311	30762				
GBM	1619	20905				
GBM	1968	26145				
GBM	2010	34031				
GBM	2104	23173				
GBM	2169	18711				
GBM	2304	25799				
GBM	2481	27551				
GBM	2486	26420				
GBM	2494	30091				
GBM	2735	43101				
GBM	2757	20864				
GBM	2854	30034				
GBM	2884	21244				
GBM	2896	19339				
GBM	3007	52052				
GBM	3031	37154				
GBM	3032	26770				
GBM	3066	7859				

GBM	3070	16581	1909			
GBM	3513	30871				
GBM	3747	36070				
GBM	2655	20061				
GBM	3527	21366				
GBM	2643	17833				
GBM	3555	18439	2160			
normal brain	frontal	17581				
normal brain	occipital	14549				
normal brain	parietal					1864
normal brain	temporal	24982				
OAII	1418	26306				
pGBM	820	38785				
pGBM	176	24154				
sek GBM	677	18769				3412
sek GBM	1214	24461				
sek GBM	1329	39085				
sek GBM	1430	24163				
sek GBM	1944	16999				
sek GBM	2007	43109				
sek GBM	2727	20646				
sek GBM	3475	17974				
GBM cells	A172	38776				
GBM cells	LN229	20089				
GBM cells	LN428	27441				
GBM cells	T98G	23426				
GBM cells	U178	48217				

Splice isoforms present in normal brain tissue are marked by bold font.

Splice isoforms more abundant in glioma tissue and reduced or lacking in normal brain tissues are marked by italics bold font.

B

The RT-PCR products of specific splice isoforms of the *CPEB2* gene:

Detected alternative splice isoforms:			2d	2d*	2c	2c*	2b	2a		
Diagnose	ID/T-Nummer		170 bp	203 bp	262 bp	271 bp	286 bp	294 bp	351 bp	375 bp
AAIII	2377				19243	3816	21200		7022	8456
AAIII	2526				15307		28051	4055		4453
AAIII	2725				13604	2454	17950	2852	3193	4612
AAIII	2744				7681		12972			4560
AAIII	2771				8959	1071	13648	1525	1776	2961
AAIII	2897				9514		34779	4853	2798	16075
AAIII	2899				5384		24686	4201		8263
AAIII	3423				9284		23739	2808		6835
AAIII	3545				19103		31827	3676	4930	10797
AAIII	3546				9080		34540	6921		7906
AAIII	3548				12417		23140	2490	3353	7882
AAIII	4045				3934		57221	4731		9744

GBM	71			15391	2816	5999		1907	
GBM	72			23004	3795	11148		5366	
GBM	132			8845		9613		1354	
GBM	172			16565		15177			5853
GBM	327			19305		5559		2000	
GBM	328			27750		20949			6870
GBM	625			28744	3612	10825		7319	3753
GBM	862			17776	2447	6002		1722	
GBM	1010			15453	2242	9012	1193	3549	2778
GBM	1311			39092	4376	12895		5148	
GBM	1619			20667		14643			
GBM	1968			22959		18904		6162	
GBM	2010			21862	2844	16371	2312	7560	7230
GBM	2104			20673	2917	32529	4586		4254
GBM	2169			33190	4799	10029		4174	
GBM	2304			20938	3913	8495		2218	
GBM	2481			21328		23116			6976
GBM	2486			23707		19784	3520		
GBM	2494			10869		12771		2577	3845
GBM	2735			30423	5149	16458		11587	8431
GBM	2757			20331	3224	11469		5863	3850
GBM	2854			16473	3507	31545	6160		4135
GBM	2884			22520	3867	11169		3910	2412
GBM	2896			18772	3692	21197			5594
GBM	3007			35081	6034	25479	4176	7502	7393
GBM	3031	422	567						
GBM	3032			23106	4075	21910	3737	5109	5755
GBM	3066			7374		4665		966	
GBM	3070			11779		9861			
GBM	3513			15812	2648	13211	1889	3364	3997
GBM	3747			3935		35837	4589		9197
GBM	2655			5707		16105	3979		
GBM	3527			19454	3971	16649	3240	2610	2390
GBM	2643			15336		9016			
GBM	3555			15783	1412	8804		4047	2729
normal brain	frontal					19221	2402		9947
normal brain	occipital					17043	2654		8193
normal brain	parietal					27201	3259		15137
normal brain	temporal					9943			5267
OAI	1418			10382		27422	3413		9416
pGBM	820			18678		17925			
pGBM	176			13646		6486			
sek GBM	677			22717	4536	16365		6843	5106

sek GBM	1214			<i>14151</i>		22018									
sek GBM	1329			<i>25454</i>	<i>4341</i>	13992	2448		<i>3946</i>		3066				
sek GBM	1430			<i>8732</i>		13920					2573				
sek GBM	1944			<i>2784</i>		1408									
sek GBM	2007			<i>25122</i>		13291			<i>5809</i>		4136				
sek GBM	2727			<i>13130</i>		13388	2144					6035			
sek GBM	3475			<i>9065</i>		25518	4897								
GBM cells	A172			<i>31735</i>	<i>3767</i>	4119			<i>3787</i>						
GBM cells	LN229			<i>22869</i>	<i>5466</i>	1544			<i>2998</i>						
GBM cells	LN428			<i>32980</i>	<i>3384</i>	8621									
GBM cells	T98G			<i>43905</i>						<i>3575</i>					
GBM cells	U178			<i>48671</i>											

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C

The RT-PCR products of specific splice isoforms of the *CPEB3* gene:

Diagnose	ID/T-Nummer	Detected alternative splice isoforms:													3d	3c	3b	3a	
		100 bp	104 bp	122 bp	135 bp	143 bp	182 bp	203 bp	254 bp	306 bp	339 bp	416 bp	437 bp	452 bp	507 bp	531 bp	547 bp	576 bp	600 bp
AAIII	2377														14978			7471	
AAIII	2526														16481			5174	
AAIII	2725														8565			5827	
AAIII	2744							1336							8779			3911	
AAIII	2771									2691					11567				
AAIII	2897														10303	3297		7329	6800
AAIII	2899														9728			5401	1662
AAIII	3423														8332			7130	3319
AAIII	3545														10263	1937		6631	5312
AAIII	3546														10090			7658	
AAIII	3548		<i>2244</i>		950										14927			5418	1641
AAIII	4045				2809		967	1267							6986				
GBM	71		975												2644				
GBM	72			890											12224			3767	
GBM	132														2960				
GBM	172									2041	1151							5473	
GBM	327													<i>4332</i>					
GBM	328														11773			3715	
GBM	625		<i>3411</i>			1331									9924			4181	
GBM	862			2902											4307				
GBM	1010	2482													3189			3926	
GBM	1311		1697												5664			4930	
GBM	1619														8481			2164	
GBM	1968						1309								12571			3929	
GBM	2010		1832												11890		4069	5785	
GBM	2104			1684											9475			5370	
GBM	2169	2010		<i>2775</i>			2038	1369							7456				

GBM	2304			3064								6016			5035	
GBM	2481											4655			1948	
GBM	2486											13216			5885	
GBM	2494											7194			4258	
GBM	2735			3702								19438			6404	
GBM	2757											7269			3233	
GBM	2854			2848								11950			4230	
GBM	2884			906								2270	3166			
GBM	2896											8291			3573	
GBM	3007			3215			1769					12083	2690		8418	4942
GBM	3031						1302					1394	13680	2416	5531	
GBM	3032				1488		1435					11285			5442	
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GBM	3513				1274		958					7020			5493	
GBM	3747						1060					13025			5380	
GBM	2655											6427			5669	
GBM	3527											14338			8036	
GBM	2643				1052							2988				
GBM	3555					1790						7409			4267	
normal brain	frontal											2786			3347	6109
normal brain	occipital											2747	1313		3014	4169
normal brain	parietal											2224			4410	8886
normal brain	temporal											2423				4662
OAI	1418											10694			3442	
pGBM	820				781							14046			9726	
pGBM	176											1821			994	
sek GBM	677			1794								16129			5345	
sek GBM	1214											10861			4527	
sek GBM	1329											5077			3081	
sek GBM	1430											2564			1991	
sek GBM	1944															
sek GBM	2007			1156								12615			5049	
sek GBM	2727											3751			2626	
sek GBM	3475											12062			4703	
GBM cells	A172	4055		4301								8985			4284	
GBM cells	LN229											2498			2219	
GBM cells	LN428											8673			5298	
GBM cells	T98G	1685		1524												
GBM cells	U178	9331	1442	10162			1469					9216			3498	

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D

The RT-PCR products of specific splice isoforms of the *CPEB4* gene:

Detected alternative splice isoforms:		4d	4c	4b	4a						
Diagnose	ID/T-Nummer	115 bp	142 bp	182 bp	203 bp	226 bp	254 bp	277 bp	306 bp	507 bp	547 bp
AAIII	2377				21149		21655				
AAIII	2526				19619		19174			1675	
AAIII	2725				26046		20165				
AAIII	2744				21718		25345				
AAIII	2771				16637		12207		7133		
AAIII	2897				26150	5221	22566	4984			
AAIII	2899				19046	1503	15869	1628			
AAIII	3423				9538		8597	1103			
AAIII	3545				19463		25298				
AAIII	3546				22665		20903				
AAIII	3548				21383		22958	2407		2125	
AAIII	4045				26882		32885	2864			
GBM	71				7320		4185				
GBM	72				15172		15587				
GBM	132				6518		5536				
GBM	172				17460	4028	9620	6182			
GBM	327				12086		8460				
GBM	328				25485		21644				
GBM	625			2634	30452		11702				
GBM	862		3500		15071		5445				
GBM	1010				22305		14188				
GBM	1311				22087		17696				
GBM	1619				14804		15511				
GBM	1968				33990		34922				
GBM	2010				22114		21939				10977
GBM	2104				20095		12555	2397			
GBM	2169				49763		37272				
GBM	2304				16788		13189				
GBM	2481				14181		14563				
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GBM	3032				37298		26434				

GBM	3066				8825		7801				
GBM	3070				9167		6748				
GBM	3513				21270	2580	19710	3011			
GBM	3747				21631		25574				
GBM	2655				11793		9233	2176			
GBM	3527				22106		22278				
GBM	2643				18032		12070				
GBM	3555			4261	11334		9271	5636			
normal brain	frontal				9860	6940	6026	6231			
normal brain	occipital				8343	8381	5602	7068			
normal brain	parietal				20994	14305	11481	10482			
normal brain	temporal				9343	7008	5371	5927			
OAII	1418				19617		20652				
pGBM	820				20257		13442			1764	
pGBM	176				9898		5532				
sek GBM	677				17046		17065			1621	
sek GBM	1214				16456	2722	14162	2717			
sek GBM	1329				6742		4778				
sek GBM	1430				15947	2555	9824	2453			
sek GBM	1944				8971		3747				
sek GBM	2007				18669		15918				
sek GBM	2727				17089		10782				
sek GBM	3475				11656		16539				
GBM cells	A172				20800		12084				
GBM cells	LN229				14344		10688				
GBM cells	LN428				15692		12416				
GBM cells	T98G				27548		7879				
GBM cells	U178				38061		17132				

Splice isoforms present in normal brain tissue are marked by bold font.

Splice isoforms more abundant in glioma tissue and reduced or lacking in normal brain tissues are marked by italics bold font.

Fragment analysis of CPEB alternative splice isoforms in AAIII, pGBM, sGBMs, glioblastoma/medulloblastoma cell lines and normal brain tissue. The values above the table correspond to the RT-PCR product (size in basepairs) generated by fragment analysis.