# Sample 1

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.99, MWW test)

3'UTR-embedded Alu							
– + Total							
	_	2,997	(50.70%)	2,914	(49.30%)	5,911	
PPs		(87.45%)		(85.03%)			
FFS	+	430	(45.60%)	513	(54.40%)	943	
		(12.55%)		(14.97%)			
To	otal	3,427		3,427		6,854	

 $\chi^{2}$  test P = 0.0036

## Sample 2

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.96, MWW test)

Total
6) 5,931
6) 923
6,854

 $\chi^{2}$  test P = 0.0003

#### Sample 3

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.94, MWW test)

3'UTR-embedded Alu							
– + Total							
_	2,979	(50.55%)	2,914	(49.45%)	5,893		
PPs	(86.93%)		(85.03%)				
+	448	(46.62%)	513	(53.38%)	961		
	(13.07%)		(14.97%)				
Total	3,427		3,427		6,854		

 $\chi^{2}$  test P = 0.0237

## Sample 4

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.96, MWW test)

3'UTR-embedded Alu							
	-		+		Total		
_	2,986	(50.61%)	2,914	(49.39%)	5,900		
PPs	(87.13%)		(85.03%)				
FFS <b>1</b>	441	(46.23%)	513	(53.77%)	954		
	(12.87%)		(14.97%)				
Total	3 427		3 4 2 7		6 854		

## $\chi^2$ test P = 0.0120

Sample 5

	Equ	al GC-content d	istribution (P	=0.93, MWW tes	st)			
3'UTR-embedded Alu								
- + Total								
	_	2,994	(50.68%)	2,914	(49.32%)	5,908		
PPs		(87.37%)		(85.03%)				
FFS	+	433	(45.77%)	513	(54.23%)	946		
	·	(12.63%)		(14.97%)				
То	tal	3,427		3,427		6,854		
$\chi^2$ test P = 0.0051								

# Sample 6

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.99, MWW test)

## 3'UTR-embedded Alu

	_		+	Total	
_	2,998	(50.71%)	2,914	(49.29%)	5,912
PPs	(87.48%)		(85.03%)		
+	429	(45.54%)	513	(54.46%)	942
т	(12.52%)		(14.97%)		
Total	3,427		3,427		6,854

# $\chi^2$ test P = 0.0032

# Sample 7

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.99, MWW test)

### 3'UTR-embedded Alu

			+		Total
_	2,997	(50.70%)	2,914	(49.30%)	5,911
PPs	(87.45%)		(85.03%)		
+	430	(45.60%)	513	(54.40%)	943
т	(12.55%)		(14.97%)		
Total	3,427		3,427		6,854

## $\chi^{2}$ test P = 0.0036

### Sample 8

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.97, MWW test)

3'UTR-embedded Alu							
		-		+		Total	
	_ [	3,003	(50.75%)	2,914	(49.25%)	5,917	
PPs		(87.63%)		(85.03%)			
гг <b>5</b>	. [	424	(45.25%)	513	(54.75%)	937	
		(12.37%)		(14.97%)			
Tota	al [	3,427		3,427		6,854	

# $\chi^{2}$ test P = 0.0018

Sample 9

Equal GC-content distribution (P=1.00, MWW test)

	-		+		Total
_	2,980	(50.56%)	2,914	(49.44%)	5,894
PPs	(86.96%)		(85.03%)		
+	447	(46.56%)	513	(53.44%)	960
•	(13.04%)		(14.97%)		
Total	3,427		3,427		6,854

## $\chi^2$ test P = 0.0216

Sample 10

Equal GC-content distribution (P=0.96, MWW test)

3'UTR-embedded Alu

	-		+		Total	
_	3,001	(50.74%)	2,914	(49.26%)	5,915	
PPs	(87.57%)		(85.03%)			
PPS +	426	(45.37%)	513	(54.63%)	939	
•	(12.43%)		(14.97%)			
Total	3,427		3,427		6,854	
$\chi^2$ test P = 0.0022						

S8 Fig. Sampling analysis to separate the possible effect of the GC-content on the overrepresentation of 3'UTR-embedded Alu elements in PP parent genes. Ten samples were generated. For each sample, Mann-Whitney-Wilcoxon (MWW) test proved that both gene sets (Alu+ and sampled Alu-) have a similar GC-content distribution and a contingence table showed overrepresentation of 3'UTR-embedded Alu elements in PP parent genes ( $\chi^2$  tested). Plus and minus signs above the tables indicate presence or absence, respectively, of Alus inside the 3'UTR(s) of a gene. Plus and minus signs on the left of the tables mean presence or absence, respectively, of PPs generated from a gene. Numbers in bold are gene counts; total number of genes are also displayed in the right column and the bottom row for each table. Percentages with respect to each total are also shown. P-values of the  $\chi^2$  test are indicated below each corresponding table. See Materials and Methods for details.