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**microRNAs with an AAGUGC seed motif constitute an integral part of a signaling network driving NSCLC cell proliferation**

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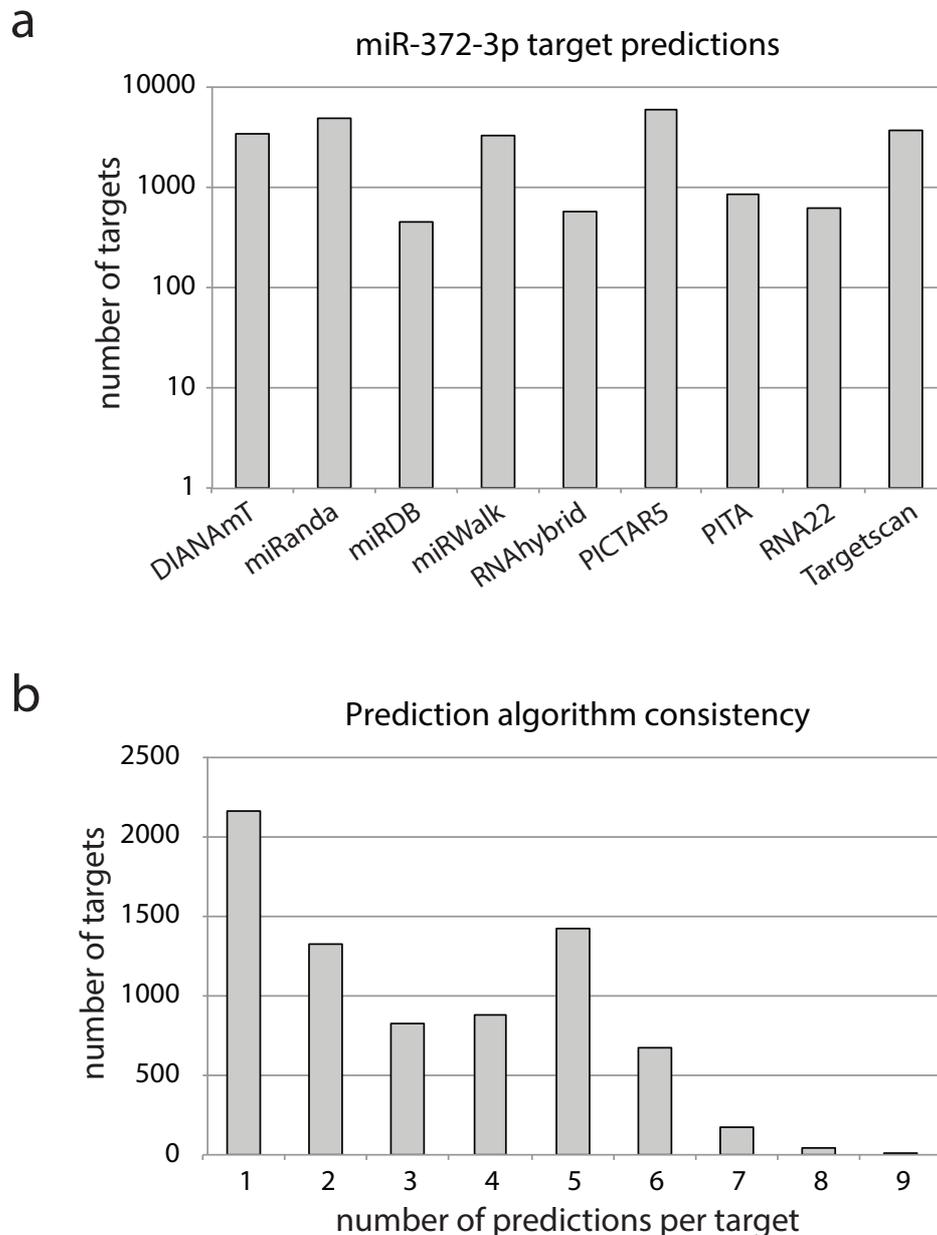
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## Supplementary Figures



### Supplementary Figure 1. miR-372-3p target prediction algorithm overview

**a.** Nine different miRNA target prediction algorithms were used for prediction of miR-372-3p targets. A total of 7,508 different targets were predicted, with the number of predictions per algorithm ranging from 451 (miRDB) to 6,146 (PICTAR5).

**b.** An evaluation of the prediction algorithm consistency showing the number of algorithms predicting the same target, ranging from targets predicted by a single algorithm (2,154 mRNAs) to all nine (only 2 mRNAs). In addition, a local maximum is evident for targets predicted by 5 different target prediction algorithms.

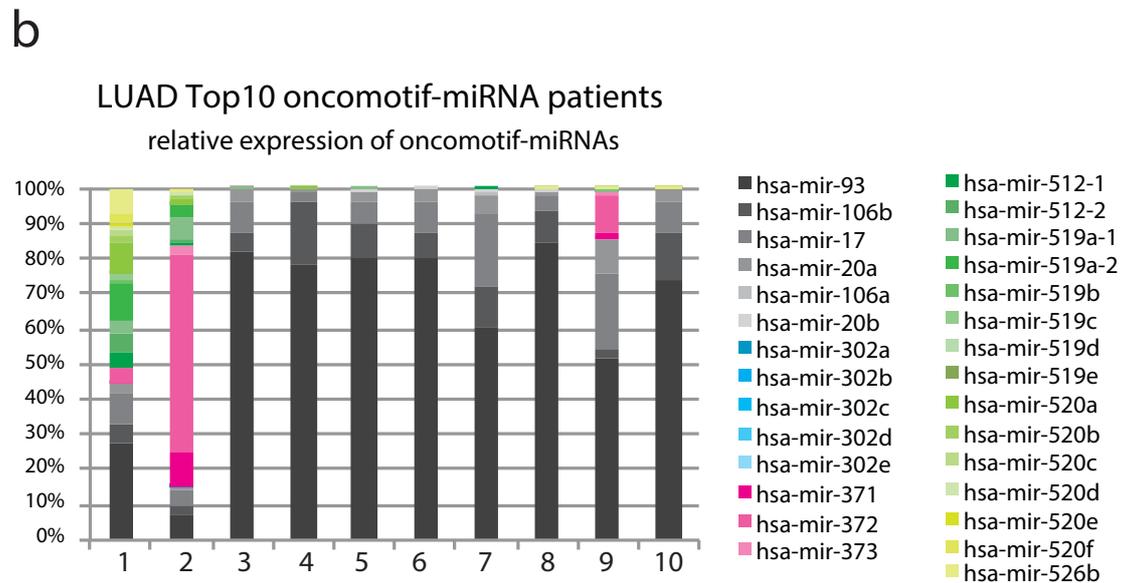
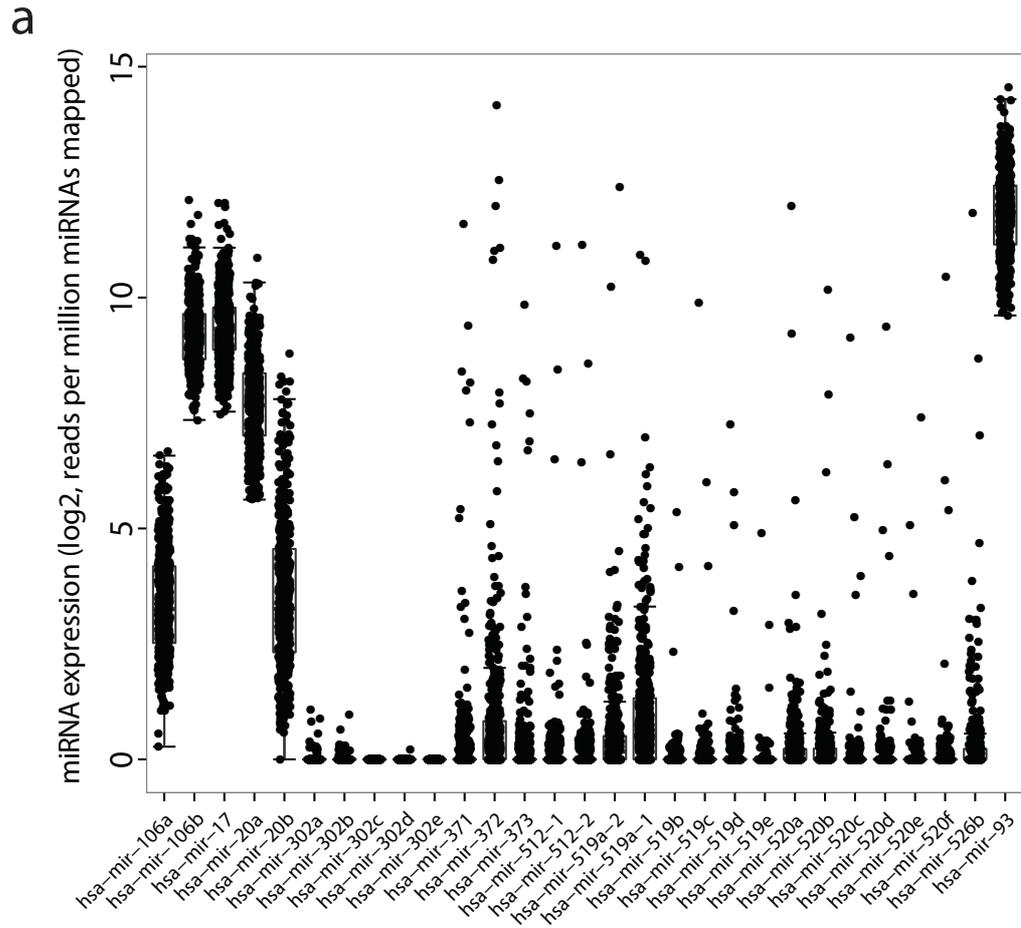
## 28 miRNAs in the human genome with AAGUGC-motif in seed sequence

microRNA ID	Mature miRNA	Mature Sequence	Chromosome	Genomic context	miRNA cluster
hsa-mir-17	miR-17-5p	<b>CA</b> AAGUGC UUACAGUGCAGGUAG	Chr 13	MIR17HG intron	miR-17~92 cluster
hsa-mir-20a	miR-20a-5p	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UUAUAGUGCAGGUAG			
hsa-mir-106a	miR-106a-5p	<b>AA</b> AAGUGC UUACAGUGCAGGUAG	Chr X	Intergenic	miR-106a~363 cluster
hsa-mir-20b	miR-20b-5p	<b>CA</b> AAGUGC UCAUAGUGCAGGUAG			
hsa-mir-106b	miR-106b-5p	<b>UA</b> AAGUGC UGACAGUGCAGAU	Chr 7	MCM7 intron	miR-106b~25 cluster
hsa-mir-93	miR-93-5p	<b>CA</b> AAGUCU UGUUCGUGCAGGUAG			
hsa-mir-302a	miR-302a-3p	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UCCAUGUUUUGGUGA	Chr 4	Intergenic	miR-302~367 cluster
hsa-mir-302b	miR-302b-3p	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UCCAUGUUUUGUAG			
hsa-mir-302c	miR-302c-3p	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UCCAUGUUUCAGUGG			
hsa-mir-302d	miR-302d-3p	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UCCAUGUUUGAGUGU			
hsa-mir-302e	miR-302e	<b>UA</b> AAGUCU UCCAUGC UU	Chr 11	Intergenic	
hsa-mir-371a	miR-371a-3p	<b>A</b> AAGUC CCGCAUCUUUUGAGUGU	Chr 19	Intergenic	miR-371~373 cluster
hsa-mir-371b	miR-371b-3p	<b>A</b> AAGUC CCCCACAGUUUGAGUGC			
hsa-mir-372	miR-372-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUCU UCGACA UUUUGAGCGU			
hsa-mir-373	miR-373-3p	<b>GA</b> AAGUCU UCGAUUUUGGGGUGU			
hsa-mir-512	miR-512-3p	<b>A</b> AAGUC CUGUCA UAGCUGAGGUC	Chr 19	Intergenic	C19MC
hsa-mir-519a	miR-519a-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CAUCCUUUUGAGAGUGU			
hsa-mir-519b	miR-519b-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CAUCCUUUUGAGAGGUU			
hsa-mir-519c	miR-519c-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CAUCCUUUUGAGAGGAU			
hsa-mir-519d	miR-519d-3p	<b>CA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGUG			
hsa-mir-519e	miR-519e-3p	<b>A</b> AAGUC CCUCCUUUUGAGAGUGU			
hsa-mir-520a	miR-520a-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGGACUGU			
hsa-mir-520b	miR-520b	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGGG			
hsa-mir-520c	miR-520c-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGGGU			
hsa-mir-520d	miR-520d-3p	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGGUGGGU			
hsa-mir-520e	miR-520e	<b>AA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGGG			
hsa-mir-520f	miR-520f-3p	<b>A</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGGGU			
hsa-mir-526b	miR-526b-3p	<b>GA</b> AAGUC CUCCUUUUGAGAGGC			

**oncomotif**

### Supplementary Figure 2. Human microRNAs with AAGUGC-motif (oncomotif) in seed-sequence

An analysis of the human miRNA seed sequences resulted in the identification of 28 different miRNAs with an AAGUGC-motif (red), here referred to as oncomotif, in their seed sequence. Mature miRNA sequences were retrieved from miRBase 21, seed sequences (5' nucleotides 1-8) are indicated in bold. The 28 different miRNAs are expressed from 7 different genomic loci. All AAGUGC-miRNAs except hsa-mir-302e are present in genomic clusters with other AAGUGC-miRNAs. Two of these miRNA clusters (miR-17~92 and miR-106b~25) are located in an intron of a so called miRNA host gene (*MIR17HG* and *MCM7* respectively). All other AAGUGC-miRNAs are located in intergenic regions. Indicated in green are the four miRNAs identified in the functional genomics screen. These 28 miRNAs are here referred to as oncomotif-miRNAs.

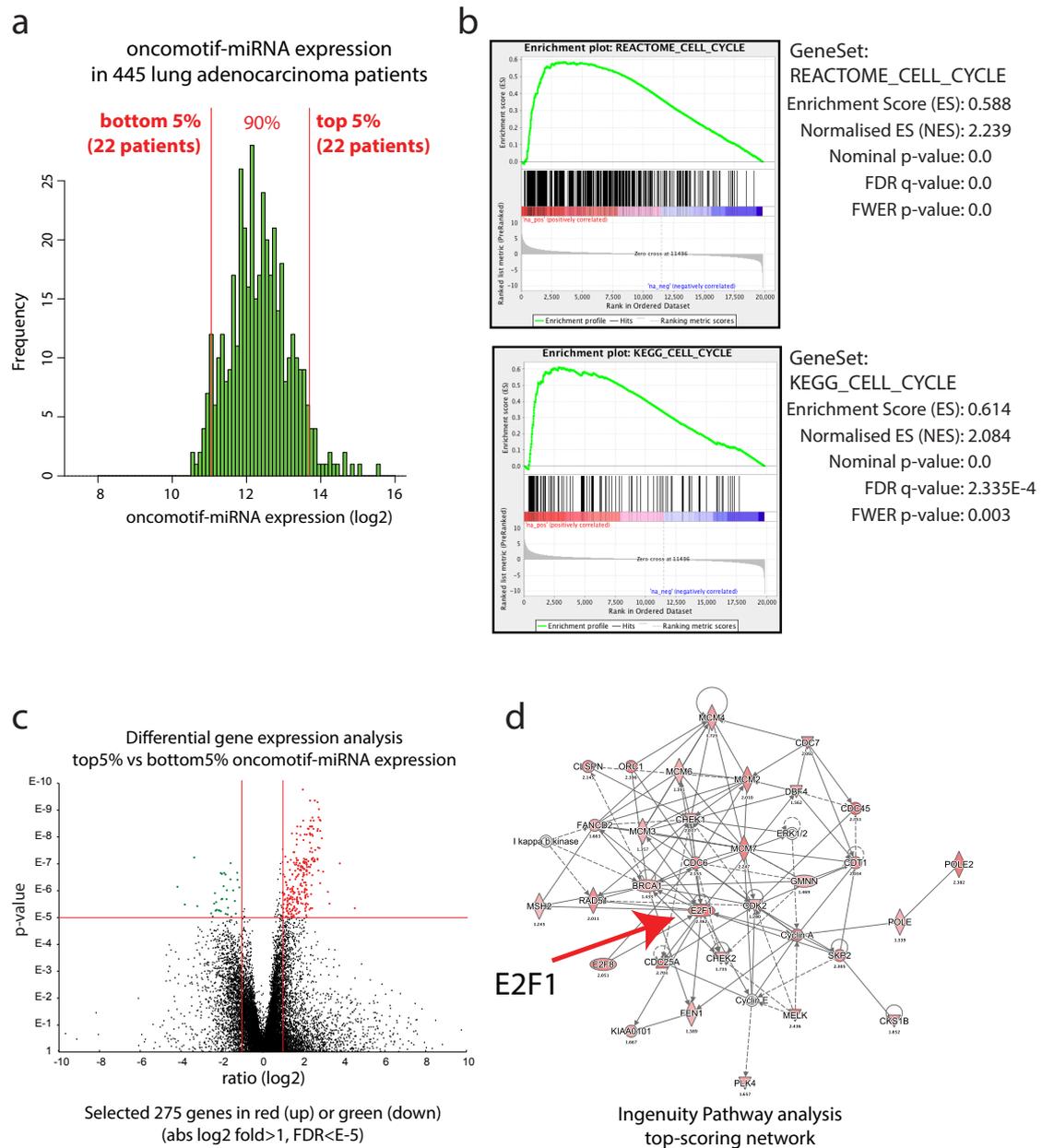


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**Supplementary Figure 3. Oncomotif-miRNA expression in lung adenocarcinoma**

**a.** Boxplot showing the expression of individual oncomotif-miRNAs in 445 cases of lung adenocarcinoma (data retrieved from TCGA LUAD). The highest median expression is seen for hsa-mir-93, followed by hsa-mir-17 and hsa-mir-106b. Sporadic high expression is seen for oncomotif-miRNAs in the miR-371~373 cluster as well as the C19MC cluster.

**b.** Bar chart showing the relative contribution of different oncomotif-miRNAs to the sum of all oncomotif-miRNAs in the top10 oncomotif-miRNA expressing lung adenocarcinoma cases. In most cases hsa-mir-93 is the dominating miRNA, but occasionally expression from other loci is dominating as seen for the two tumors with the highest oncomotif-miRNA expression.



**Supplementary Figure 4. Differential expression analysis between high and low oncomotif-miRNA expressing lung adenocarcinoma**

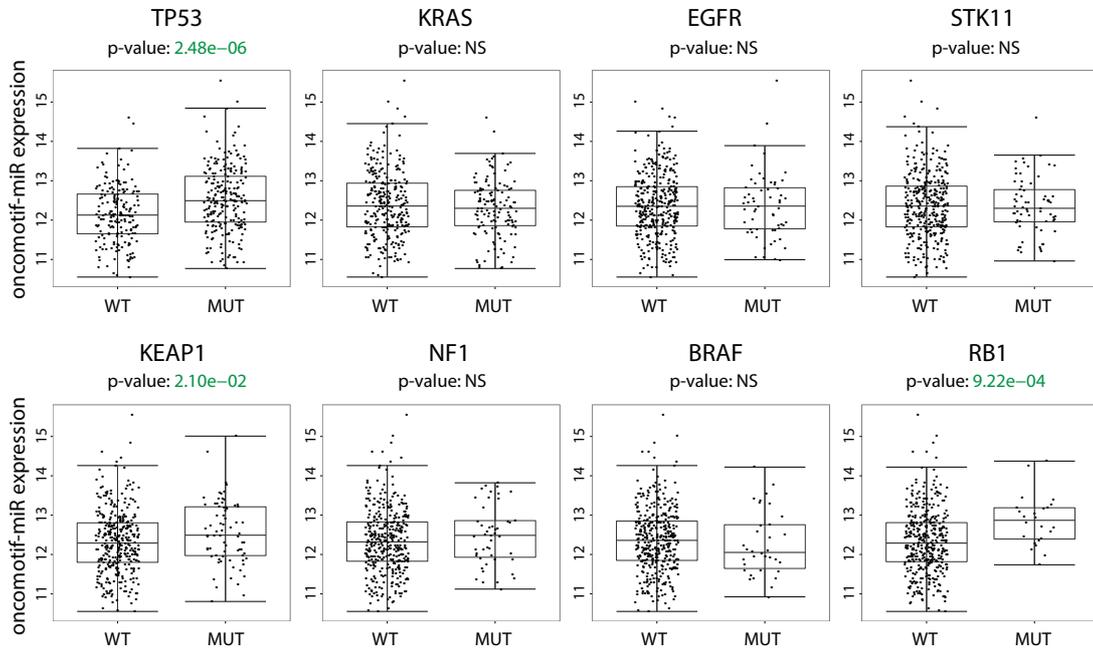
**a.** Histogram showing the distribution of oncomotif-miRNA expression in lung adenocarcinoma (LUAD, TCGA). Oncomotif-miRNA expression is defined as the sum of reads from all individual oncomotif-miRNAs and expressed as reads per million microRNA reads mapped (log<sub>2</sub>). Differential expression analysis was performed between tumors with high or low oncomotif-miRNA expression (top vs. bottom 5 percentiles of 445 cases).

**b.** Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) plots for two top ranking cell cycle related gene sets showing significant enrichment in genes with higher expression in oncomotif-miRNA high LUAD cases.

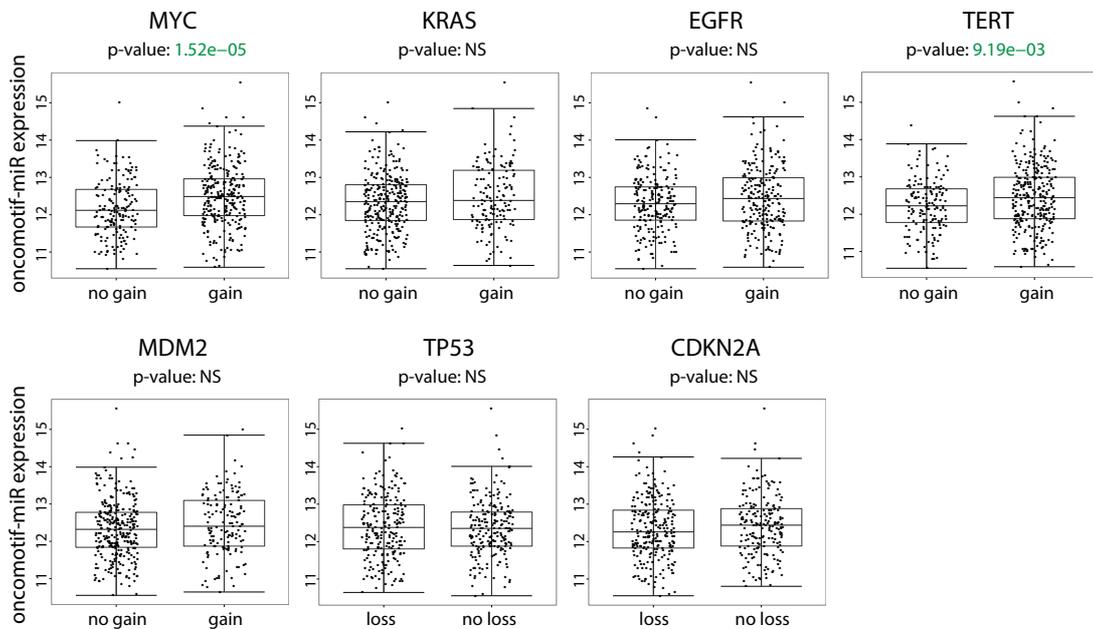
**c.** Volcano plot showing the results of differential expression analysis as defined in **a**. 275 genes with a two-fold difference between high and low oncomotif-miRNA LUAD cases (FDR p-value<E-5) were defined as oncomotif-miRNA signature genes. Legend continued on next page.

d. Ingenuity pathway analysis of the 275 oncomotif-miRNA signature genes resulted in a top-ranking cell cycle related network centered around E2F1.

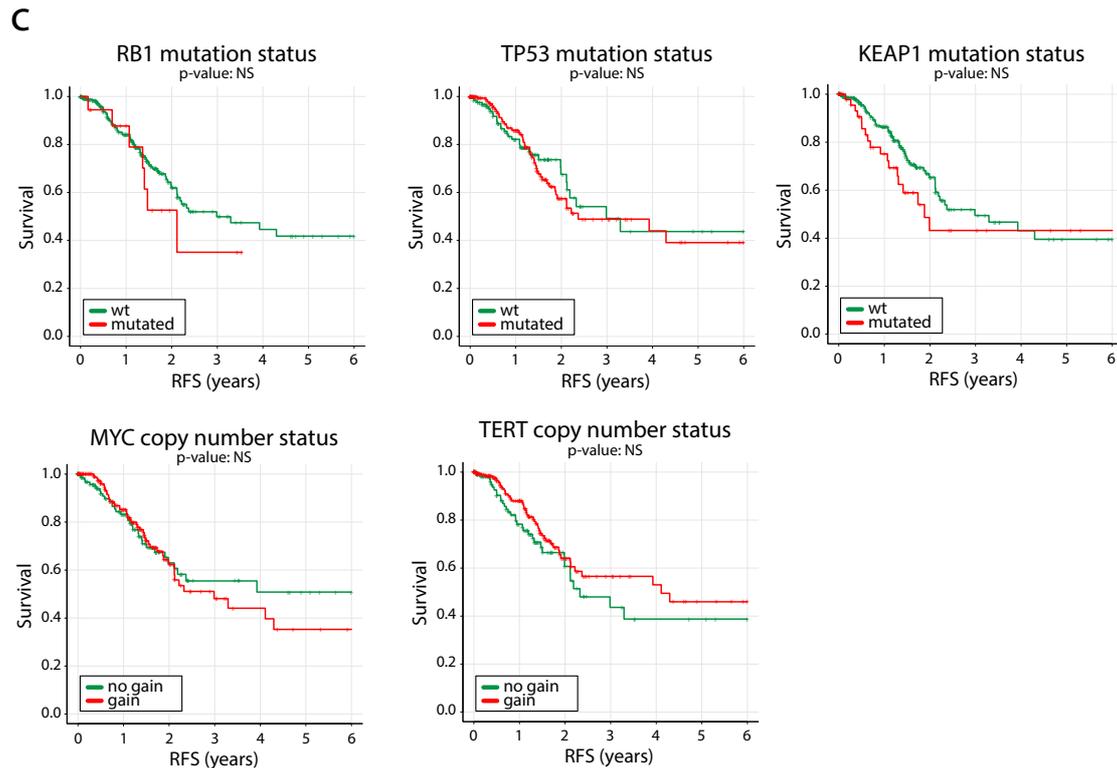
a oncomotif-miRNA expression vs. mutational status



b oncomotif-miRNA expression vs. gene copy number alteration



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**d**

Hazard Ratio (univariate)				
	HR	95% CI	p.val	No.
oncomotif-miRNA high cluster	1.72	1.09-2.72	1.97e-02	445
RB1 mut	1.42	0.65-3.08	NS	416
TP53 mut	1.06	0.68-1.66	NS	416
KEAP1 mut	1.55	0.92-2.59	NS	416
MYC cnv	1.10	0.71-1.70	NS	441
TERT cnv	0.72	0.46-1.11	NS	441

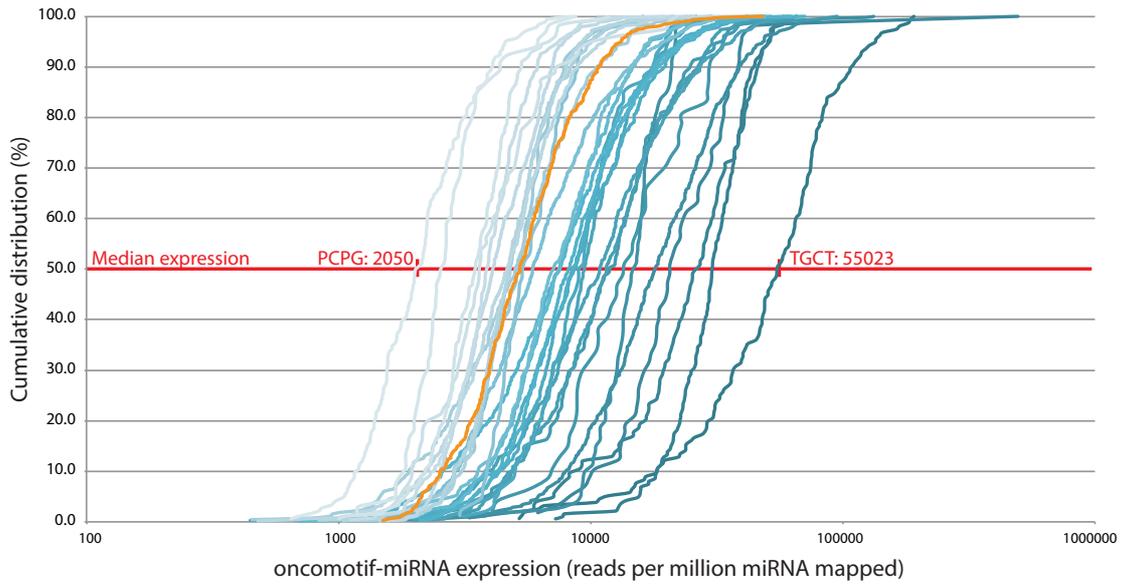
  

Hazard Ratio (multivariate)				
	HR	95% CI	p.val	No.
oncomotif-miRNA high cluster	2.06	1.21-3.51	8.14e-03	413
RB1 mut	1.25	0.56-2.81	NS	413
TP53 mut	0.82	0.47-1.45	NS	413
KEAP1 mut	1.38	0.81-2.36	NS	413
MYC gain	0.97	0.71-1.33	NS	413
TERT gain	0.89	0.64-1.24	NS	413

**Supplementary Figure 5. Oncomotif-miRNA expression and common genetic alterations in lung adenocarcinoma**

**a.** Boxplots showing the expression of oncomotif-miRNAs in relation to mutation status of genes commonly mutated in lung adenocarcinoma (LUAD, TCGA). **b.** Boxplots showing the expression of oncomotif-miRNAs in relation to copy number of genes commonly showing copy-number variation in lung adenocarcinoma (LUAD, TCGA). **c.** Kaplan-Meier plots of relapse free survival (truncated at 6 years) for genetic alterations significantly associated with oncomotif-miRNA expression (**Supplementary Figure 5a** and **b**, indicated in green). **d.** Univariate and multivariate survival analyses by Cox proportional hazard regression for genetic alterations associated with oncomotif-miRNA expression. Number of TCGA samples included in each analysis depend on the availability of data from TCGA. Throughout the figure NS indicate p.values>0.05.

oncomotif-miRNA expression in 32 cancer types from TCGA

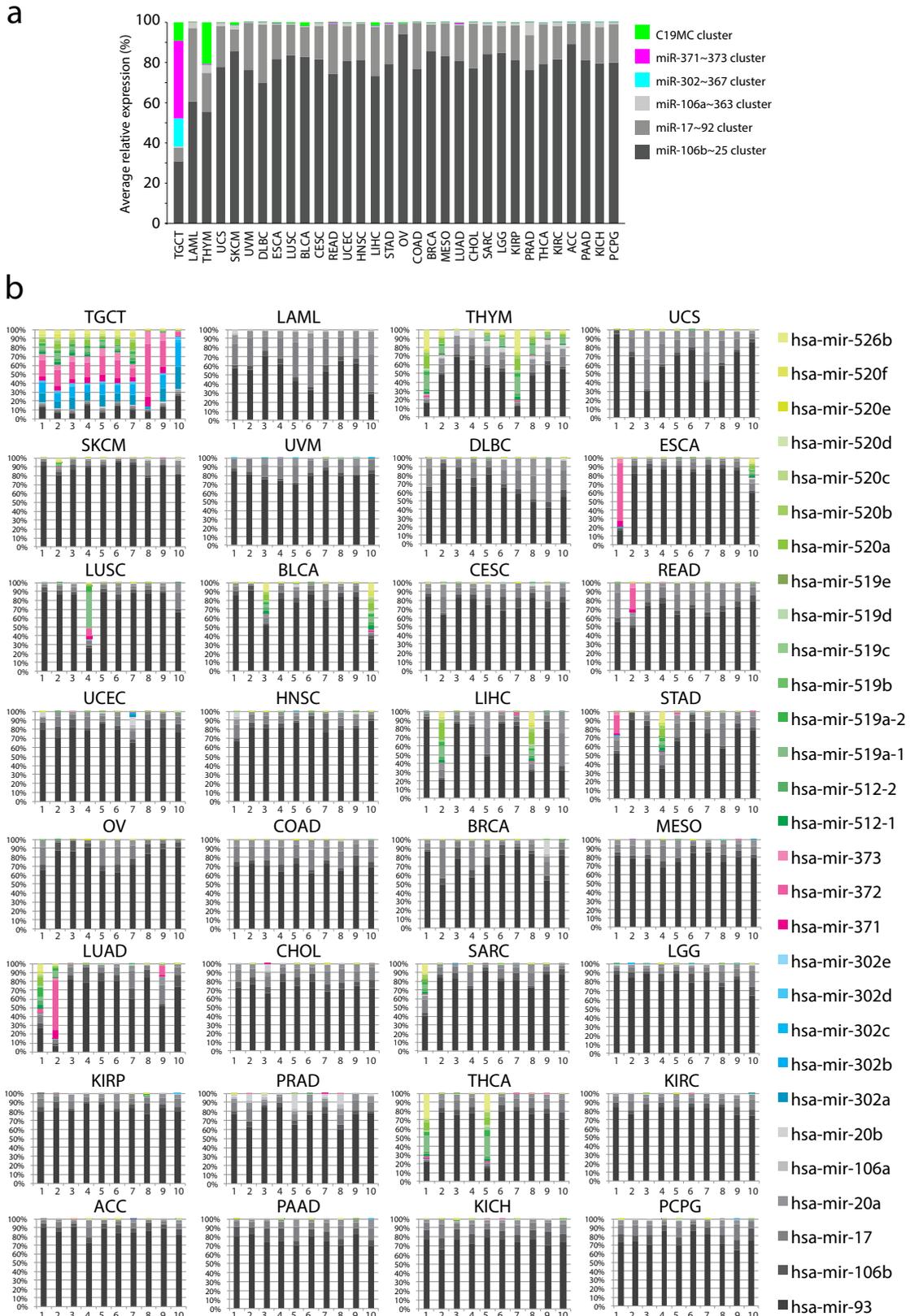


	TCGA Code	# samples	Description
↓ Decreasing median oncomotif-miRNA expression	TGCT	156	Testicular Germ Cell Tumor
	LAML	188	AML
	THYM	124	Thymoma
	UCS	57	Uterine Carcinosarcoma
	SKCM	451	Skin Cutaneous Melanoma
	UVM	80	Uveal Melanoma
	DLBC	47	Lymphoid Neoplasm DLBCL
	ESCA	185	Esophageal carcinoma
	LUSC	343	Lung SCC
	BLCA	410	Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma
	CESC	310	Cervical SCC and endocervical AC
	READ	94	Rectum adenocarcinoma
	UCEC	412	Uterine Corpus Endometrial Carcinoma
	HNSC	488	Head and Neck SCC
	LIHC	374	Liver hepatocellular carcinoma
	STAD	396	Stomach AC
	OV	493	Ovarian serous cystadenocarcinoma
	COAD	247	Colon AC
	BRCA	766	Breast invasive carcinoma
	MESO	87	Mesothelioma
	LUAD	452	Lung AC
	CHOL	36	Cholangiocarcinoma
	SARC	263	Sarcoma
	LGG	526	Brain Lower Grade Glioma
	KIRP	292	Kidney renal papillary cell carcinoma
	PRAD	495	Prostate AC
	THCA	514	Thyroid carcinoma
	KIRC	255	Kidney renal clear cell carcinoma
	ACC	80	Adrenocortical carcinoma
	PAAD	179	Pancreatic AC
	KICH	66	Kidney Chromophobe
	PCPG	184	Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma

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**Supplementary Figure 6. Oncomotif-miRNA expression in 32 cancer types**

Cumulative plot showing the distribution of oncomotif-miRNA expression within and across 32 cancers types (data retrieved from TCGA). The highest oncomotif-miRNA expression was seen in testicular germ cell tumor (TGCT, median oncomotif-miRNA expression 55,023), and the lowest in pheochromocytoma and paraganglioma (PCPG, median oncomotif-miRNA expression 2,050). Below the plot are the 32 different cancer types arranged from top to bottom according to the median oncomotif-miRNA expression. Indicated is also the number of cases analyzed for each cancer type.



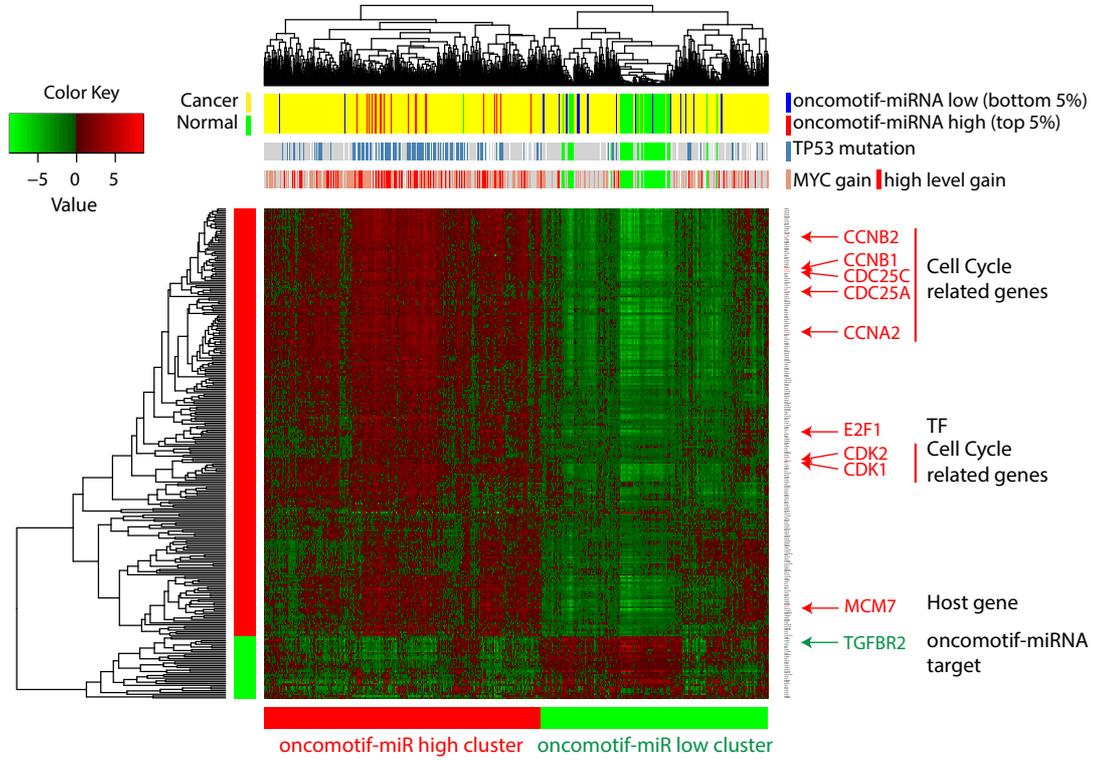
**Supplementary Figure 7. Relative expression of different oncomotif-miRNAs in 32 cancer types. a.** Bar chart showing the average relative contribution of different miRNAs (grouped by genomic clusters) to the oncomotif-miRNA expression in 32 different cancer types.

**b.** Bar chart showing the relative contribution of different miRNAs to the oncomotif-miRNA expression in the top10 expressing cases for each cancer type. As shown in both **a** and **b**, hsa-miR-93 is the dominating oncomotif-miRNA in most cases with sporadic high expression of other miRNAs. Notable exceptions are testicular germ cell cancer (TGCT) with generally high expression of oncomotif-miRNAs from the miR-371~373 , C19MC and miR-302~367 clusters, as well as thymoma (THYM) that show common expression of miRNAs from the C19MC cluster.

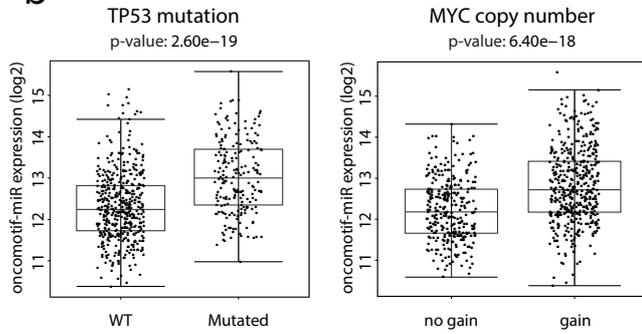
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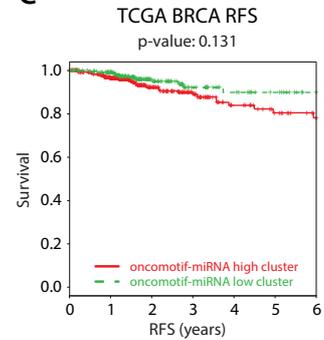
## oncomotif-miRNA signature (275 genes)



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**Supplementary Figure 8. Cluster analysis of breast cancer based on oncomotif-miRNA signature genes.**

**a.** Heatmap showing the results of hierarchical clustering (patients horizontally and genes vertically) of 762 breast invasive carcinoma samples and 87 normal breast epithelium samples (BRCA, TCGA) based on the expression of the 275 oncomotif-miRNA signature genes (see **supplementary figure 4** for details). Heatmap colors represent mean centered log<sub>2</sub> fpkm values. Inserts, from top to bottom, indicate; cancer (yellow), normal (green), oncomotif-miRNA high cancer (top5%, red) and low cancer (bottom5%, blue); TP53 mutated (blue) or TP53 wt (grey); MYC gain (light red), MYC high-level gain (red) or no gain (grey). Indicated on the right are a few genes with increased expression (red, oncomotif-miRNA transcription factor, oncomotif-miRNA host gene and cell cycle related genes) or decreased expression (green, oncomotif-miRNA target) in the oncomotif-miRNA high compared to low clusters.

**b.** Boxplots showing the expression of oncomotif-miRNAs in relation to *TP53* mutation and *MYC* amplification in breast invasive carcinoma (BRCA, TCGA).

**c.** Kaplan–Meier plot of relapse free survival (truncated at 6 years) for the oncomotif-miRNA high cluster patients (red, n=466) and low cluster patients (green, n=296).