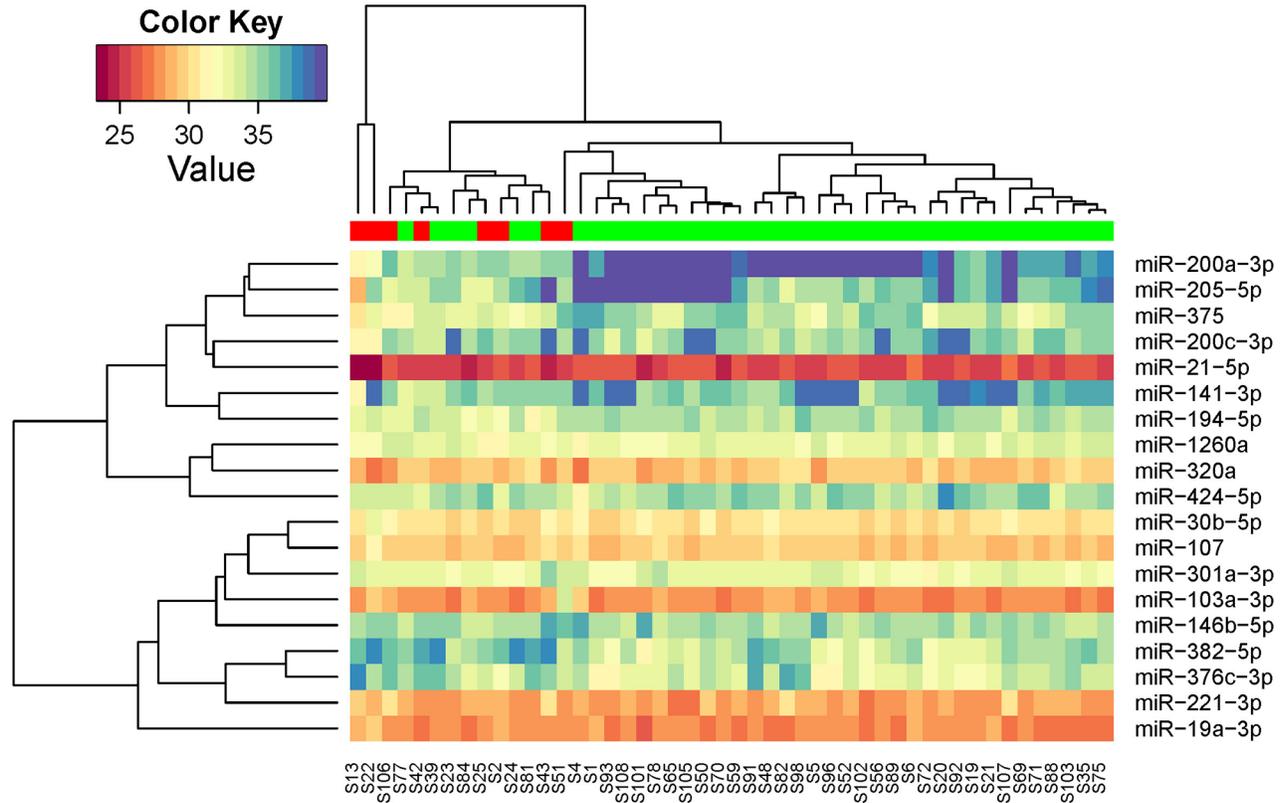


SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE AND TABLES



Supplementary Figure 1: Unsupervised hierarchical clustering with Pearson distance metric, based on the 19 miRNAs that were selected for further validation experiment (red: samples at recurrence from patients with recurrence; green: samples at diagnosis from patients without recurrence).

Supplementary Table 1: Normalized expression of 7 miRNAs in sera of recurrent breast cancer patients and non-cancer controls

| | Non-cancer controls (N=31) | | Recurrent patients (n=8) | | Fold Difference | P value |
|-------------|----------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|-----------------|---------|
| | Mean | SD | Mean | SD | | |
| miR-194-5p | -3.66 | 0.83 | -3.10 | 0.94 | 1.48 | 0.11 |
| miR-205-5p | -6.81 | 2.17 | -3.74 | 3.16 | 8.42 | 0.001 |
| miR-21-5p | 4.47 | 0.48 | 5.27 | 1.11 | 1.75 | 0.001 |
| miR-375 | -3.56 | 1.48 | -2.75 | 1.70 | 1.76 | 0.18 |
| miR-376c-3p | -3.20 | 1.07 | -4.61 | 1.83 | 0.38 | 0.11 |
| miR-382-5p | -3.75 | 1.23 | -5.89 | 1.44 | 0.23 | 3.0E-04 |
| miR-411-5p | -7.14 | 1.98 | -8.47 | 1.48 | 0.40 | 0.08 |

Supplementary Table 2: Significantly enriched KEGG pathways for the 32 microRNAs identified in the discovery phase

| KEGG pathway | FDR | # of genes | # of miRNAs |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| MicroRNAs in cancer | 4.02E-68 | 143 | 29 |
| Proteoglycans in cancer | 1.36E-21 | 162 | 30 |
| Cell cycle | 9.74E-12 | 105 | 29 |
| Viral carcinogenesis | 1.75E-11 | 156 | 30 |
| Endocytosis | 5.13E-11 | 161 | 29 |
| Hepatitis B | 5.13E-11 | 111 | 30 |
| Pancreatic cancer | 6.32E-10 | 61 | 30 |
| Renal cell carcinoma | 1.94E-08 | 59 | 29 |
| Fatty acid elongation | 4.30E-08 | 18 | 18 |
| Adherens junction | 4.30E-08 | 63 | 28 |
| Spliceosome | 4.65E-08 | 104 | 29 |
| Chronic myeloid leukemia | 1.72E-07 | 64 | 30 |
| Glioma | 2.48E-07 | 53 | 30 |
| FoxO signaling pathway | 2.72E-07 | 109 | 30 |
| p53 signaling pathway | 3.63E-07 | 61 | 29 |
| Transcriptional misregulation in cancer | 3.63E-07 | 128 | 29 |
| Prostate cancer | 4.70E-07 | 77 | 30 |
| Non-small cell lung cancer | 5.22E-07 | 49 | 29 |
| Protein processing in endoplasmic reticulum | 5.22E-07 | 131 | 30 |
| Hippo signaling pathway | 5.22E-07 | 108 | 30 |
| Colorectal cancer | 6.20E-07 | 54 | 29 |
| Other types of O-glycan biosynthesis | 1.11E-06 | 24 | 21 |
| Pathways in cancer | 1.11E-06 | 272 | 30 |
| N-Glycan biosynthesis | 3.72E-06 | 40 | 25 |
| Ubiquitin mediated proteolysis | 5.33E-06 | 105 | 29 |
| Endometrial cancer | 6.36E-06 | 46 | 30 |
| Bladder cancer | 4.47E-05 | 35 | 28 |
| ErbB signaling pathway | 4.47E-05 | 67 | 30 |
| HTLV-I infection | 9.88E-05 | 182 | 29 |
| Acute myeloid leukemia | 0.000105 | 48 | 27 |
| Bacterial invasion of epithelial cells | 0.000105 | 60 | 28 |
| Lysine degradation | 0.000106 | 37 | 26 |
| Neurotrophin signaling pathway | 0.000106 | 91 | 30 |
| Fatty acid metabolism | 0.00014 | 30 | 23 |
| Central carbon metabolism in cancer | 0.000251 | 53 | 29 |
| Prion diseases | 0.000268 | 22 | 25 |

| KEGG pathway | FDR | # of genes | # of miRNAs |
|--|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Thyroid hormone signaling pathway | 0.000268 | 86 | 30 |
| Thyroid cancer | 0.000297 | 25 | 24 |
| TGF-beta signaling pathway | 0.000304 | 58 | 30 |
| Insulin signaling pathway | 0.000616 | 103 | 30 |
| RNA degradation | 0.000708 | 61 | 28 |
| TNF signaling pathway | 0.000708 | 82 | 29 |
| HIF-1 signaling pathway | 0.000812 | 79 | 30 |
| MAPK signaling pathway | 0.000812 | 173 | 29 |
| mTOR signaling pathway | 0.000812 | 51 | 29 |
| Small cell lung cancer | 0.000878 | 66 | 28 |
| Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) | 0.001353 | 108 | 28 |
| Signaling pathways regulating pluripotency of stem cells | 0.001665 | 98 | 30 |
| Oocyte meiosis | 0.001711 | 78 | 27 |
| RNA transport | 0.002663 | 117 | 29 |
| Focal adhesion | 0.002846 | 144 | 30 |
| Sphingolipid signaling pathway | 0.002963 | 87 | 30 |
| Estrogen signaling pathway | 0.003272 | 69 | 29 |
| Apoptosis | 0.003872 | 64 | 30 |
| Regulation of actin cytoskeleton | 0.003872 | 140 | 30 |
| Glycosaminoglycan biosynthesis - keratan sulfate | 0.005643 | 12 | 17 |
| Melanoma | 0.005643 | 52 | 30 |
| Shigellosis | 0.007605 | 47 | 27 |
| Axon guidance | 0.010275 | 87 | 28 |
| PI3K-Akt signaling pathway | 0.011426 | 210 | 30 |
| Epstein-Barr virus infection | 0.013971 | 137 | 29 |
| Huntington's disease | 0.023394 | 122 | 29 |
| Progesterone-mediated oocyte maturation | 0.027642 | 63 | 30 |
| Fc gamma R-mediated phagocytosis | 0.032015 | 64 | 30 |
| Gap junction | 0.037212 | 58 | 28 |
| VEGF signaling pathway | 0.037838 | 45 | 28 |
| Ribosome | 0.039186 | 92 | 28 |
| NF-kappa B signaling pathway | 0.042572 | 57 | 27 |
| mRNA surveillance pathway | 0.042572 | 65 | 29 |
| Choline metabolism in cancer | 0.042572 | 72 | 29 |
| Wnt signaling pathway | 0.043012 | 91 | 29 |
| Chagas disease (American trypanosomiasis) | 0.049234 | 71 | 30 |

KEGG, Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes; FDR, false discovery rate

Supplementary Table 3: Significantly enriched KEGG pathways for the intersection of targeted genes of at least 8 microRNAs

| KEGG pathway | FDR | # of genes | # of miRNAs |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Pathways in cancer | 7.41E-05 | 28 | 29 |
| Lysine degradation | 0.000125 | 7 | 24 |
| Colorectal cancer | 0.000228 | 9 | 26 |
| p53 signaling pathway | 0.000228 | 14 | 27 |
| MicroRNAs in cancer | 0.001093 | 30 | 29 |
| Hepatitis B | 0.002413 | 16 | 28 |
| Glioma | 0.014811 | 9 | 28 |
| Thyroid hormone signaling pathway | 0.014811 | 14 | 29 |
| Proteoglycans in cancer | 0.014811 | 18 | 29 |
| Chronic myeloid leukemia | 0.016312 | 10 | 26 |
| Hippo signaling pathway | 0.016312 | 17 | 27 |
| PI3K-Akt signaling pathway | 0.016312 | 27 | 29 |
| Epstein-Barr virus infection | 0.024709 | 22 | 29 |
| Bladder cancer | 0.026803 | 8 | 26 |
| Focal adhesion | 0.03458 | 20 | 29 |
| Prostate cancer | 0.034792 | 12 | 29 |
| FoxO signaling pathway | 0.034865 | 14 | 29 |
| Cell cycle | 0.037645 | 16 | 28 |

The 28 genes in the cancer pathways jointly targeted by at least 8 miRNAs:

ABLI, BCL2, CASP3, CCND1, CDK6, CDKN1A, CRKL, E2F1, E2F3, MDM2, MYC, PTEN, VEGFA, CTNNB1, FGF2, FNI, GSK3B, HIF1A, HSP90AA1, HSP90AB1, IGF1R, ITGA6, JUN, LAMC1, MAPK8, NCOA4, STK4, TGFBR2

The 30 genes in microRNAs in cancer pathway jointly targeted by at least 8 miRNAs

ABLI, BCL2, CASP3, CCND1, CDK6, CDKN1A, CRKL, E2F1, E2F3, MDM2, MYC, PTEN, VEGFA, BCL2L11, BMPR2, CCND2, CCNG1, CDC25A, DDIT4, DICER1, FOXP1, GLS, HMGA2, IGF2BP1, MARCKS, MCL1, NOTCH2, SOX4, THBS1, TRIM71

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