

## **Supplementary information**

### **Circulating MicroRNA-92b-3p as a Novel Biomarker for Monitoring of Synovial Sarcoma**

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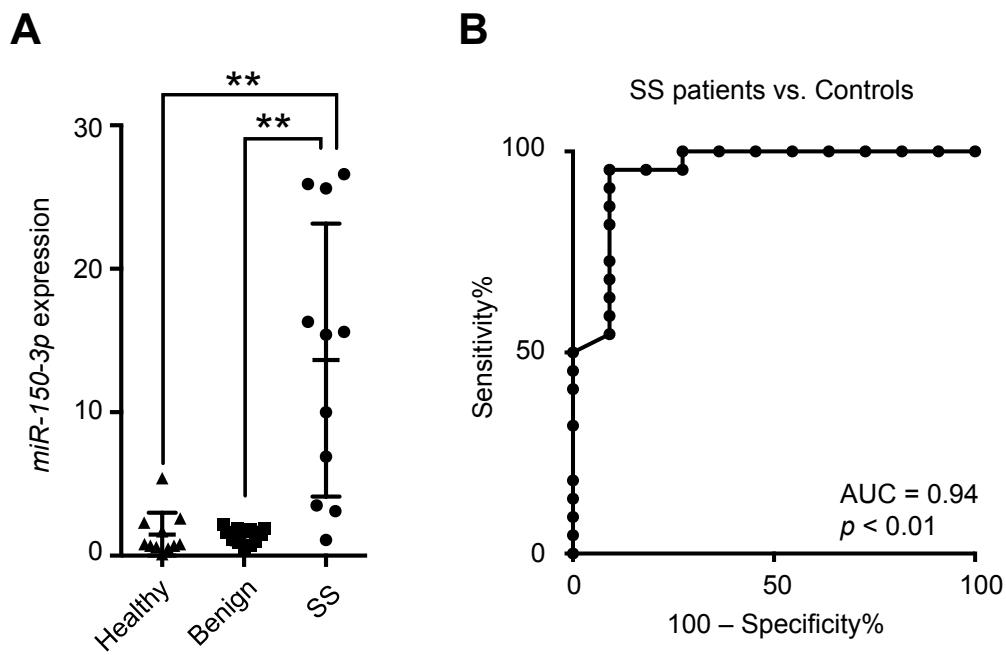
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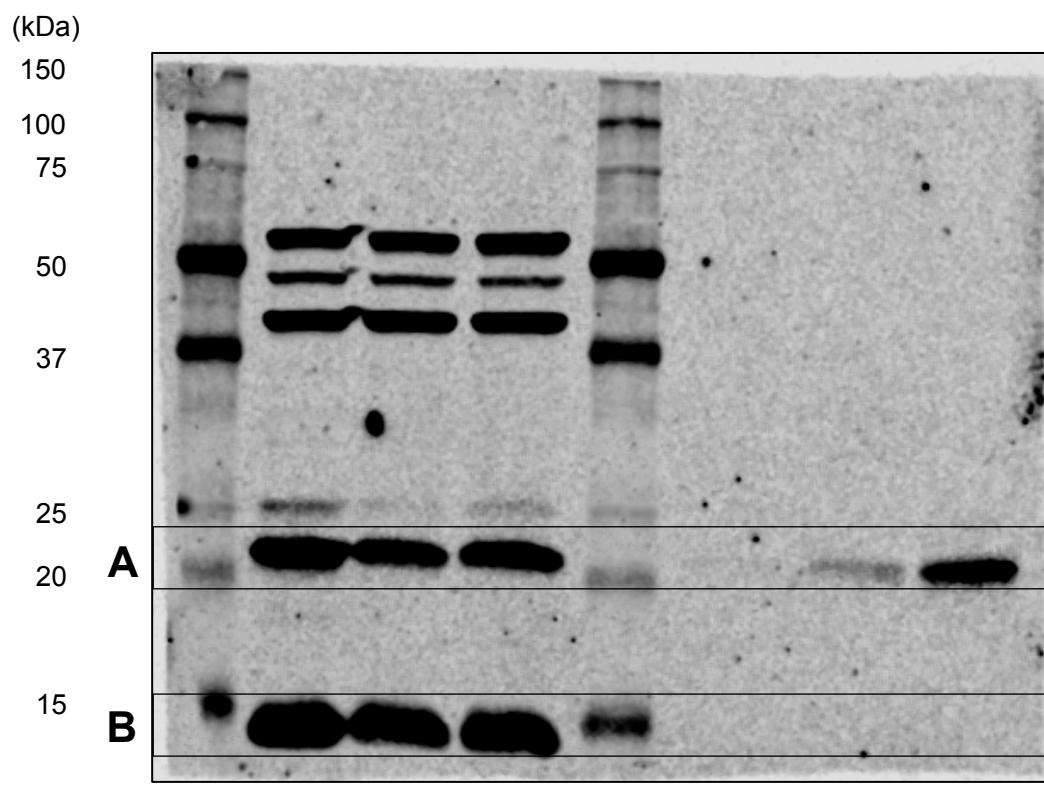
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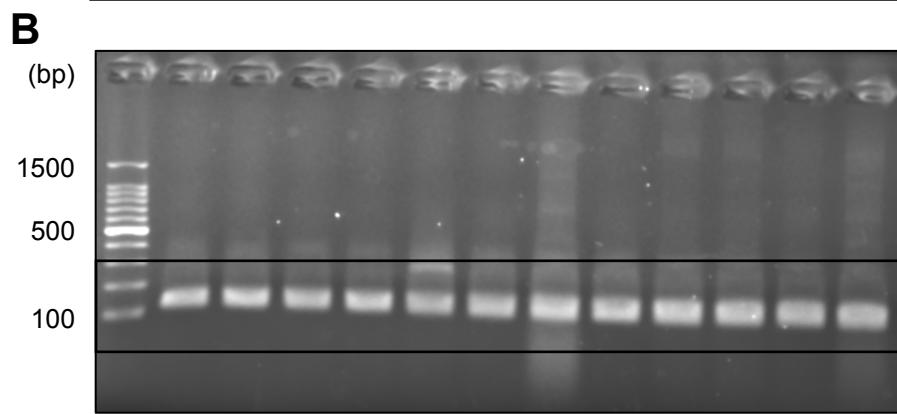
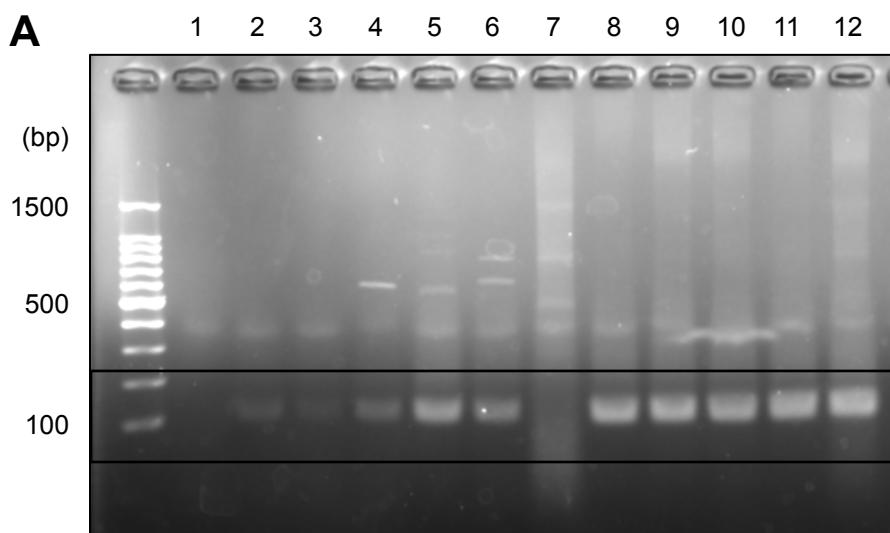
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**Supplementary Figure S1. Serum *miR-150-3p* expression levels in the validation cohort.** (A) Serum *miR-150-3p* expression levels in SS patients, age-matched benign tumor patients, and control individuals in the validation cohort ( $p < 0.01$ ). \*\* $p < 0.01$ ; one-way ANOVA with Holm-Sidak's multiple comparison test. (B) Receiver-operating characteristics curve analysis indicated the AUC of 0.94 (95% confidence interval = 0.86 – 1.0)

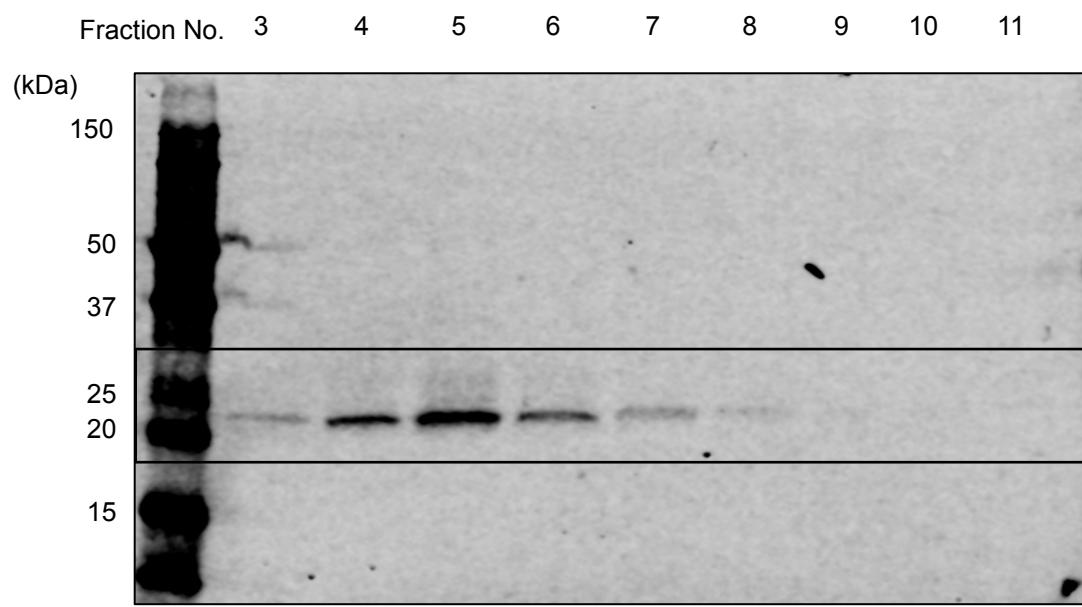


**Supplementary Figure S2.** Full-length blots shown in Figure 5C. (A) CD9. (B) Cytochrome-C.

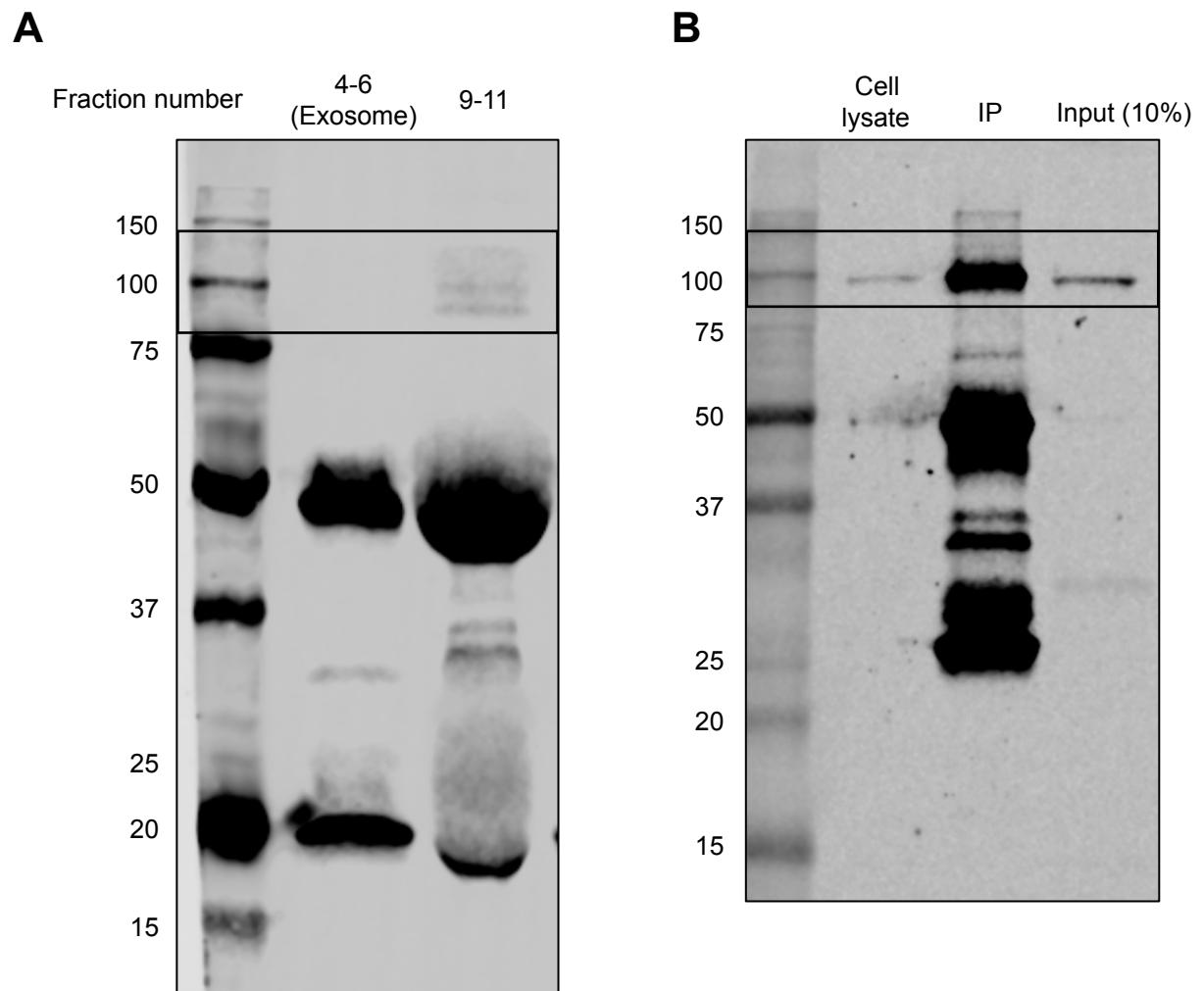


Lane No.	Type of samples	Cell lines
1	Exosome	HT1080
2		SYO-1
3		HS-SY-II
4		YaFuSS
5		Yamato-SS
6		Aska-SS
7	Cells	HT1080
8		SYO-1
9		HS-SY-II
10		YaFuSS
11		Yamato-SS
12		Aska-SS

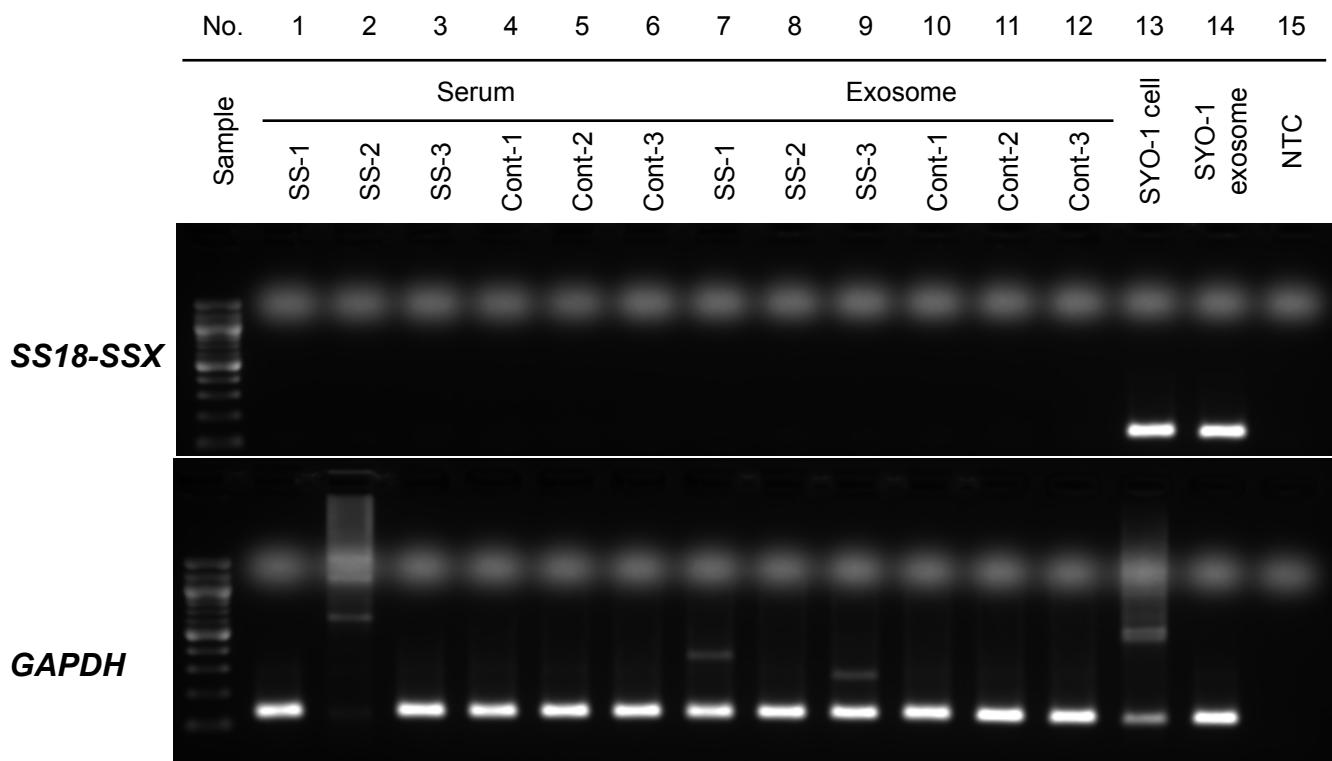
**Supplementary Figure S3. Full-length gels shown in Figure 5D.** (A) SS18-SSX. (B) GAPDH.



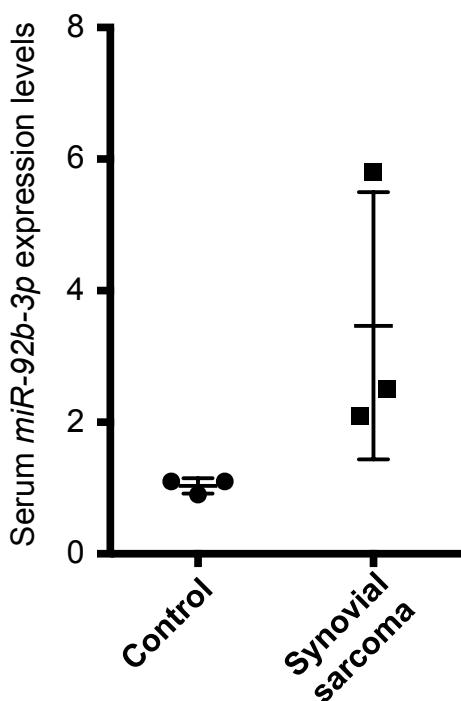
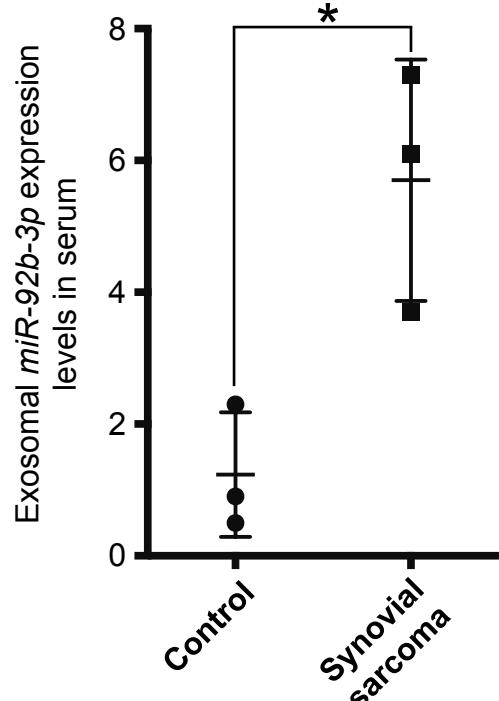
**Supplementary Figure S4. Full-length blots for CD9 shown in Figure 5F.**



**Supplementary Figure S5. Full-length blots shown in Figure 5G.** (A) Western blotting of fractions collected by EV-second procedure using a serum sample of patient with synovial sarcoma, which were immunoprecipitated (IP) using human anti-Ago2 monoclonal antibody. (B) Western blotting of SYO-1 cell lysate fractions, which were immunoprecipitated using human anti-Ago2 monoclonal antibody.

**A**

Abbreviation SS=synovial sarcoma, Cont=control

**B****C**

**Supplementary Figure S6. SS18-SSX expression in exosomes from SS-patient serum.** (A) SS18-SSX fusion gene transcript by polymerase chain reaction (PCR). SS18-SSX was not detectable in either the serum or the exosomes of SS patients and controls (each n = 3). Cell lysate and exosomes of the SYO-1 SS cell line were used as positive controls. Ct values of each sample are presented in **Supplementary Table S5**. The threshold of PCR of SS18-SSX is presented in **Supplementary Table S6**. (B) Serum miR-92b-3p expression levels in SS-patient serum analyzed in (A). (C) Serum miR-92b-3p expression levels in the exosomes derived from SS-patient serum analyzed in (A). \*p < 0.05; Student's t-test.

**Supplemental Table S1.** Characteristics of patients and healthy individuals in each cohort

		Screening set			Validation set		
Variables		Synovial sarcoma patients (n = 9)	Benign tumor patients (n = 9)	Healthy individuals (n = 9)	Synovial sarcoma patients (n = 12)	Benign tumor patients (n = 12)	Healthy individuals (n = 12)
Age (years) <sup>a</sup>	Median (range)	28 (21-56)	35 (25-56)	35 (26-58)	43.5 (11-71)	43.5 (11-68)	54.5 (29-79)
Gender	Male	3	3	4	6	5	5
	Female	6	6	5	6	7	7

<sup>a</sup>Age at diagnosis

**Supplemental Table S2.** Clinical characteristics of synovial sarcoma patients in each cohort

Variables	Discovery cohort (n = 9)	Validation cohort (n = 12)
Age (years) <sup>a</sup>		
Median (range)	28 (21-56)	43.5 (11-71)
11-20	-	5
21+	9	7
Gender		
Male	3	6
Female	6	6
Location		
Extremities, %	55.6	66.7
Body trunks, %	44.4	33.3
Upper limb	2	-
Lower limb	3	8
Body trunks	4	4
Size of the lesion, mm		
Median (range)	9.2 (4-60)	8.5 (4-15)
Metastasis at diagnosis		
Present	2	3
Absent	7	9
Histological subtype		
Monophasic	5	8
Biphasic	3	4
Treatment		
C+OP	7	10
C+OP+R	1	-
C+R	-	1
C	-	1
OP	1	-
Neoadjuvant chemotherapy		
DOX+IFO	8	2
DOX	-	1
GEM+DOC	-	1
Other	-	8
Disease status		
CDF	-	6
NED	6	1
AWD	2	1
DOD	1	4

Abbreviations C=chemotherapy, OP=operative surgery, R=radiation, DOX=doxorubicin, IFO=ifosfamide, GEM=gemcitabine, CDF=continuous disease free, NED=no evidence of disease, AWD=alive with disease, DOD=died of disease

<sup>a</sup>Age at diagnosis

**Supplemental Table S3.** Clinical correlation of *miR-92b-3p* and *miR-150-3p* expression levels in serum from synovial sarcoma patients

Variables	Serum <i>miR-92b-3p</i> levels mean ± SD (N = 12)	P	Serum <i>miR-150-3p</i> levels mean ± SD (N = 12)	P
Age (years) <sup>a</sup>				
≤ 43.5	0.93 ± 0.99 (n = 6)		9.8 ± 7.4 (n = 6)	
> 43.5	3.8 ± 4.1 (n = 6)	0.093	14 ± 5.1 (n = 6)	0.31
Gender				
Male	1.2 ± 0.92 (n = 6)		13 ± 6.2 (n = 6)	
Female	3.5 ± 4.4 (n = 6)	0.48	11 ± 7.0 (n = 6)	0.70
Location				
Extremities	3.2 ± 3.8 (n = 8)		13 ± 5.0 (n = 8)	
Trunks	0.77 ± 0.51 (n = 4)	0.15	8.6 ± 8.5 (n = 4)	0.28
Tumor size, cm				
≤ 8.5	1.3 ± 1.7 (n = 6)		8.9 ± 6.7 (n = 6)	
> 8.5	3.5 ± 4.1 (n = 6)	0.093	15 ± 4.9 (n = 6)	0.13
Lung metastasis				
Negative	2.4 ± 3.6 (n = 9)	0.73	13 ± 6.7 (n = 9)	0.60
Positive	2.3 ± 2.2 (n = 3)		9.8 ± 6.2 (n = 3)	

<sup>a</sup>Age at diagnosis

**Supplementary Table S4.** Patients' demographics of the soft tissue sarcomas other than SS

Case No.	Age (years) <sup>a</sup>	Gender	Diagnosis
#1	19	F	Alveolar soft part sarcoma
#2	22	F	Alveolar soft part sarcoma
#3	52	M	Clear cell sarcoma
#4	73	M	Dedifferentiated liposarcoma
#5	62	F	Dedifferentiated liposarcoma
#6	64	F	Leiomyosarcoma
#7	57	F	Leiomyosarcoma
#8	29	M	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#9	49	F	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#10	54	F	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#11	60	M	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#12	28	F	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#13	23	F	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
#14	55	F	Myxofibrosarcoma
#15	59	F	Myxofibrosarcoma
#16	67	M	Myxofibrosarcoma
#17	49	M	Myxoid liposarcoma
#18	21	M	Myxoid liposarcoma
#19	52	F	Solitary fibrous tumor
#20	23	M	Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma
#21	42	M	Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma
#22	63	F	Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma
#23	73	F	Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma
#24	83	M	Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma

<sup>a</sup>Age at diagnosis

**Supplementary Table S5.** Ct values of *GAPDH* and *SS18-SSX* for each sample.

Lane no.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Sample	Serum						Exosome						SYO-1 cell	SYO-1 exosome	NTC
	SS-1	SS-2	SS-3	Cont-1	Cont-2	Cont-3	SS-1	SS-2	SS-3	Cont-1	Cont-2	Cont-3			
<i>GAPDH</i>	34.41	33.97	33.41	32.97	34.19	33.74	36.78	35.89	33.92	34.87	35.29	35.53	23.47	29.73	No Ct
<i>SS18-SSX</i>	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	No Ct	28.65	35.57	No Ct

Abbreviation SS=synovial sarcoma, Cont=control

**Supplementary Table S6.** Threshold for detecting **SS18-SSX** by PCR

Amount of RNA of SYO-1 SS cells	<i>GAPDH</i>	<i>SS18-SSX</i>
1 pg	56.98	No Ct
10 pg	53.72	No Ct
100 pg	44.99	49.54
1 ng	39.43	43.9
10 ng	34.66	38.94
100 ng	29.5	33.97
500 ng	26.11	30.66
NTC	54.98	No Ct

**Supplementary Table S7.** Summary of miRNA dysregulations in synovial sarcoma cells and tissues that have been previously reported

Upregulated miRNAs in synovial sarcoma cells/tissues		
<i>miR-9-5p</i> <sup>21</sup>	<i>miR-193a-5p</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-379</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-17-5p</i> <sup>24,26</sup>	<i>miR-199a</i> <sup>24</sup> - <i>3p</i> <sup>21, 23</sup> <i>miR-199b-3p</i> <sup>21</sup>	<i>miR-381</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-96</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-200a</i> <sup>22</sup> , <i>b</i> <sup>22,24</sup> - <i>3p</i> <sup>21</sup> <i>miR-200c</i> <sup>21, 24</sup>	<i>miR-429</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-98</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-203</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-411</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-99a, b</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-214</i> <sup>23, 24</sup>	<i>miR-495</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-125a-3p, b1, 2</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-299-39</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-574-3p</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-127</i> <sup>18</sup> - <i>3p</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-337-5p</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-668</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-141</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-368</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-874</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-182</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-375</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-1468</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-183</i> <sup>22, 24, 25</sup>	<i>miR-376a</i> <sup>23,24</sup> - <i>3p</i> <sup>21</sup> <i>miR-376c</i> <sup>21, 23</sup>	<i>let-7e, i</i> <sup>23</sup>
Downregulated miRNAs in synovial sarcoma cells/tissues		
<i>miR-15b</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-145</i> <sup>22, 24</sup> - <i>5p</i> <sup>21</sup>	<i>miR-542-3p</i> <sup>16</sup> , <i>5p</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-18b</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-146b</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-548</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-20a</i> <sup>23</sup> , <i>b</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-150-5p</i> <sup>21</sup>	<i>miR-550</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-21</i> <sup>21, 24</sup>	<i>miR-221</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-612</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-23a, b</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-222</i> <sup>22, 24</sup>	<i>miR-618</i> <sup>22</sup>
<i>miR-24</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-223</i> <sup>21, 24</sup>	<i>miR-636</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-27a, b</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-335</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-638</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-29a, b, c</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-338-5p</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-663</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-30a-5p, d, e-5p</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-339-5p</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-675</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-34b</i> <sup>22</sup> , <i>c-3p</i> <sup>22</sup> , <i>5p</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-346</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-1225-3p</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-106a</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>miR-378a-3p, i, g</i> <sup>21</sup>	<i>miR-1226</i> <sup>23</sup>
<i>miR-126</i> <sup>18</sup>	<i>miR-424</i> <sup>22, 24</sup>	<i>miR-1233</i> <sup>23</sup>
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<i>miR-139-3p</i> <sup>23</sup>	<i>miR-451</i> <sup>24</sup>	<i>let-7a</i> <sup>23</sup> , <i>F</i> <sup>24</sup>
<i>miR-142-3p</i> <sup>22</sup> , <i>-5p</i> <sup>22</sup>	<i>miR-503</i> <sup>22</sup>	
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