

Detailed Methods

The primer sequences are as follows:

Rat periostin Forward: 5'-AGGAGCCGTGTTTGAGACCAT-3'

Rat periostin Reverse: 5'-CGGTGAAAGTGGTTTGCTGTTT-3'

Bovine periostin Forward: 5'-ACTTCACACTCTTTGCTCCC-3'

Bovine periostin Reverse: 5'-CCATGATAGCCTCAGAACACTG-3'

18S Forward: 5'-GCCGCTAGAGGTGAAATTCTTG-3'

18S Reverse: 5'-CTTTCGCTCTGGTCCGTCTT-3'