

Supplemental Information

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Histology and immunohistochemistry. *Human samples:* A portion of each core was vacuum embedded in 50:50 O.C.T. (Sakura) and PBS or paraffin then sectioned for histology with additional samples cut for gene expression. Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stain was used for Ashcroft scoring (1) of the extent of fibrosis within the sample. Samples with emphysema, large vessels, or airways were excluded. Cryosections were stained with picrosirius red for total collagen and Van Gieson for elastin; antibodies were used to detect collagen type I (ab6308; Abcam, USA), collagen type III (2150-0100; Bio-Rad, USA). Paraffin sections were used to detect POU2AF1/BOB1 (ab238036; Abcam, USA). Slides were imaged using an Aperio digital pathology slide scanner (Leica Biosystems Inc., Canada) and quantified with Aperio Image Analysis software. Segmentation of positively stained tissue and total tissue were used to determine the volume fraction (Vv) of staining for each marker. Surface density was found to have highest correlation with Ashcroft scores and was used for downstream analyses (*SI Appendix*, Figure 1A). *Mouse samples:* Paraffin-embedded tissue sections were stained with Masson's trichrome (collagen/connective tissue) or H&E using two slices per animal and two animals per group. Immunohistochemistry for α -smooth muscle actin (α -SMA) (ab5694; Abcam, USA) was performed with non-immune serum used for negative controls.

mRNA-sequencing and microRNA analysis. RNA was extracted using miRNeasy mini kit (Qiagen) from each core according to the manufacturer's protocol. RNA concentration and integrity were measured by using NanoDrop ND-2000 and 2200 Tape Station. 20 ng RNA input was used for RNA sequencing per sample, using Ion AmpliSeq™ Transcriptome Human Gene Expression kit according to the manufacturer's protocol. The cDNA was then amplified and barcoded using the Ion Xpress™ RNA-Seq Barcode 1-16 Kit (Life Technologies 4475485). The Ion PI™ Chip Kit v2 BC (Life Technologies 4484270) was then loaded using the Ion Chef™ System (Life Technologies 4484177) with the Ion PI™ IC 200 Kit (Life Technologies 4488377). Afterwards, the chips were run on the Ion Proton™ System for Next-Generation Sequencing (Life Technologies 4476610) Fastq files after quality control for adapter contamination and trimming, were mapped on human genome by combinations of Tophat and Bowtie2 softwares. Cufflinks was used to calculate the Fragments per Kilobase of transcript per Million mapped reads (FPKM) values as the estimated gene expression levels.

MicroRNA evaluation was performed on all samples using 50 ng total RNA using the nCounter Analysis System (NanoString Technologies) and Comprehensive NanoString pre-built miRNA panels for human (HumanV2.1 miRNA Assay) contains 800 unique miRNA barcodes were utilized. Probes for several housekeeping genes such as Ribosomal protein L10 (RPL10), β -actin (ACTB), β -2-microglobulin (B2M), glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH), and ribosomal protein L19 (RPL19), as well as for endogenous miRNAs are incorporated in the Nanostring codesets and were used for analysis along with positive and negative controls. Data normalization was performed using nSolver, an analysis software provided by Nanostring.

Differential expression analysis. The 25,276 genes were filtered to remove low and non-expressing genes with expression below 0.01 FPKM in more than 90% of samples resulting in 21,804 genes remaining. Samples were log₂ transformed and divided based on principal component analysis of microCT surface density measurements and collagen 1 and collagen 3 immunostaining volume fractions followed by

expectation-maximization clustering into three groups representing early stage disease with normal lung structure (IPF1), moderate stage disease where progressive changes are occurring (IPF2), and late stage disease with severe fibrosis and end-stage pathology (IPF3). Two linear mixed-effects models were used to identify differential gene expression profiles in each of these groups:

$$1. \quad Gene_{ij} = \beta_0 + \alpha_{SLICE} + \alpha_j + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$2. \quad Gene_{ij} = \beta_0 + DISEASE_{ij} + \alpha_{SLICE} + \alpha_j + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, 6; j = 1, 2, \dots, 16$$

$Gene_{ij}$ is the log2 transformed FPKM expression value for sample i in subject j for a single gene. "SLICE" is a random effect controlling for the location the sample was collected and differences in lung size between control and IPF lungs. α_j represents the random effect for each subject with β_0 representing the intercept and ε_{ij} the random error. Model 2 includes the fixed effects of "DISEASE" and ANOVA was used to compare the two models. A false discovery rate (FDR) adjusted P-value < 0.05 was considered significant. The same model was applied to the microRNA data to determine differential microRNA expression with an adjusted P-value < 0.1. All statistical analyses were conducted using R statistical software (v.3.3.2) and the *lme4* package.

Dynamic regulatory events miner. We applied the dynamic regulatory event miner (DREM) (2, 3) to our dataset to develop a model of regulatory tracks associated with disease progression in IPF. Briefly, DREM integrates transcription factor and microRNA binding interactions and time-series gene expression data to reconstruct dynamic regulatory networks by identifying bifurcation events, places in the time-series where a set of genes that were previously co-expressed diverges. DREM annotates these split events with TFs and microRNAs that are predicted to regulate genes in the outgoing upward and/or downward tracks allowing us to associate temporal or stage information (the timing of the splits) with the static regulator-DNA interaction data. An input-output hidden Markov model (IOHMM) (4), which unlike traditional HMMs also includes additional observed (in our case static) input data that can influence transition probabilities, was used to obtain the underlying probabilistic graphical model. In the DREM IOHMM, regulator-target interactions serve as the static input data that influence transitions between hidden states. An L1-regularized logistic regression classifier was trained at all expression profile bifurcations to assign transition probabilities to genes based on the set of TFs and microRNAs that bind them. DREM searches the state space of possible splits in gene expression profiles to predict a compact set of diverging gene expression tracks and the regulators that control them, ranking these regulators by order of importance. DREM has been successfully applied to reconstruct networks in a large number of species (5). Furthermore, using gene markers for annotated cell types from a publicly available single cell RNA-seq dataset of lung tissues (6), we were able to map the association of specific lung cells to each of the DREM tracks.

Mouse model of lung fibrosis. C57BL/6 wild-type mice (WT) were obtained from Jackson Laboratory (Bar Harbor, ME). *Pou2af1*^{-/-} mice (KO) on the C57BL/6 background were from the University of Utah (7). Eight- to 12-week-old female mice were randomly assigned groups and administered either 3.0 U/kg bleomycin (Hospira Inc., Lake Forest, IL) or an equivalent volume (50 μ L) of 0.9% saline intratracheally as control and sacrificed at day 14. A total of 104 mice from 3 batches were used in this study (WT-saline (WTS), $n = 26$;

WT-bleomycin (WTB), n = 26; KO-saline (KOS), n = 23; KO-bleomycin (KOB), n = 29). All animal included in this study were approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) at Yale University (2016-20084).

Mouse lung RNA extraction. Total RNA was extracted from 30-50 mg of frozen lung tissue in 700 μ L Qiazol lysis buffer (Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA) by tissue disruption and homogenization using an electric homogenizer (PolyTron homogenizer H3660-2A, Cardinal Health, Dublin, OH, USA) according to the manufacturer's instructions. RNA was purified using the miRNeasy Mini kit (217004, Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA) with Qiacube automated system (9001292, Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA). The purity of the RNA was verified by NanoDrop (Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA) at 260 nm and the quality of the RNA was assessed using the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA).

Quantitative Real-Time PCR. Gene expression was determined by employing TaqMan (Life Technologies, Thermo Scientific Inc. Rockford, IL, USA) according to manufacturer's instruction. The real-time PCR reaction mix were made by TaqMan RNA to-CT 1-step kit (Taqman[®], Life Technologies, Thermo Scientific Inc. Rockford, IL, USA) and proceeded with Viia real-time PCR System (Life Technologies, Thermo Scientific Inc. Rockford IL, USA). β -glucuronidase (Gusb) was employed as an internal standard control and Collagen I α 1 primer was obtained from Life Technologies (Thermo Scientific Inc. Rockford, IL, USA). Each reaction was performed in triplicate. Relative gene expression was then normalized to the unstimulated control group. Control reactions without RNA were performed as negative control. A linear mixed-effects model was used to compare relative expression of Col1A1 between groups with the batch as a random effect.

Hydroxyproline assay. Lung hydroxyproline content was analyzed with hydroxyproline colorimetric assay kit (BioVision Inc, Milpitas, CA) following manufacturer's instruction. The lungs from control and experimental mice were hydrolyzed in 12N HCl for 3 h at 120°C. The digestions reacted with Chloramine T reagent and visualized in DMAB reagent. The absorbance was measured at 560 nm in a microplate reader and the micrograms of hydroxyproline per right lung was calculated. Each assay was then normalized to the unstimulated control group. A linear mixed-effects model was used to compare relative hydroxyproline levels between groups with the batch as a random effect.

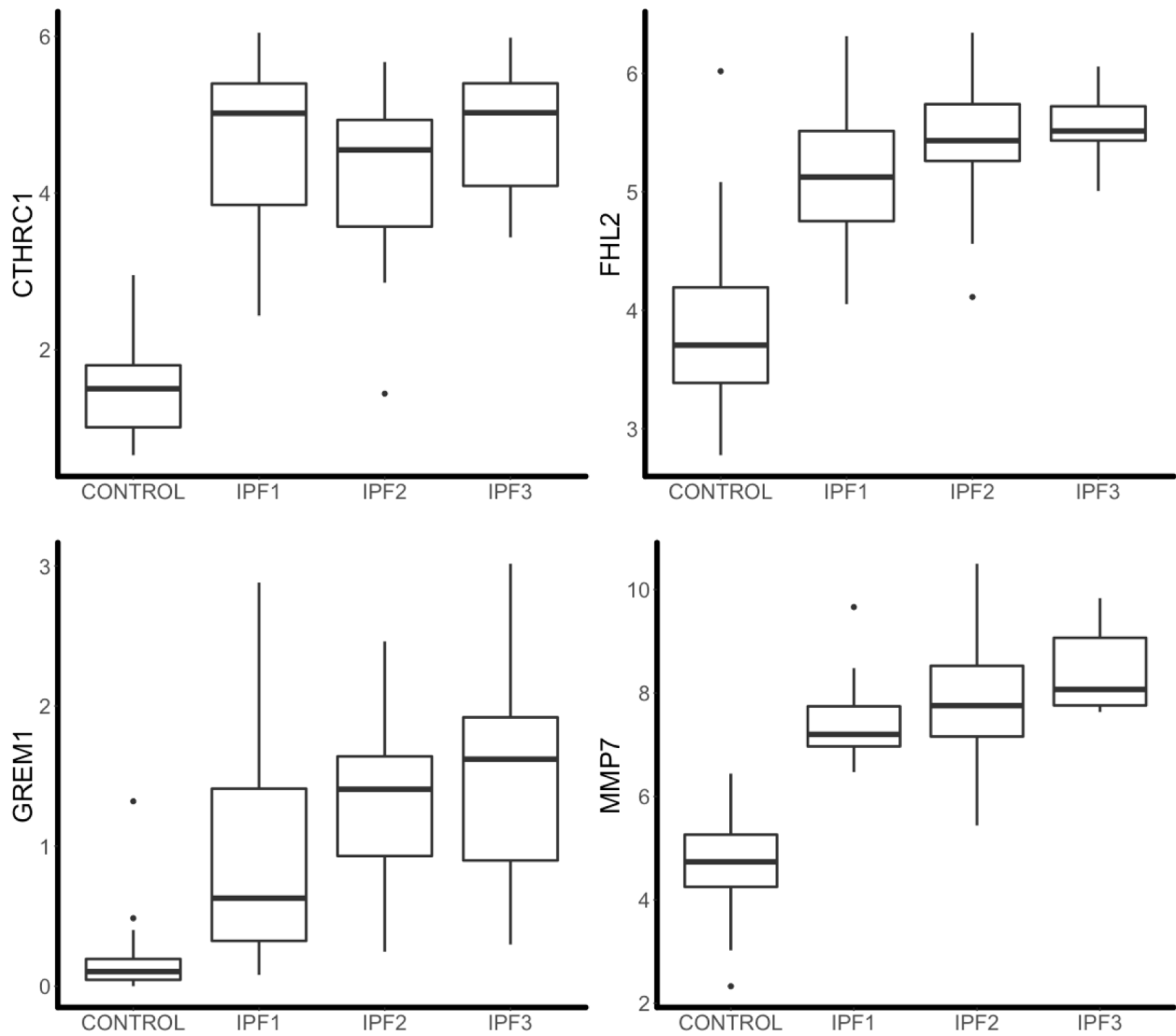


Figure S1. Four genes were found to be related to disease progression in IPF identified in a previous study (8). Three of these genes (FHL2, GREM1, and MMP7) showed expression increased in our samples as disease stages become more advanced while CTHRC1 showed consistently high expression at all disease stages.

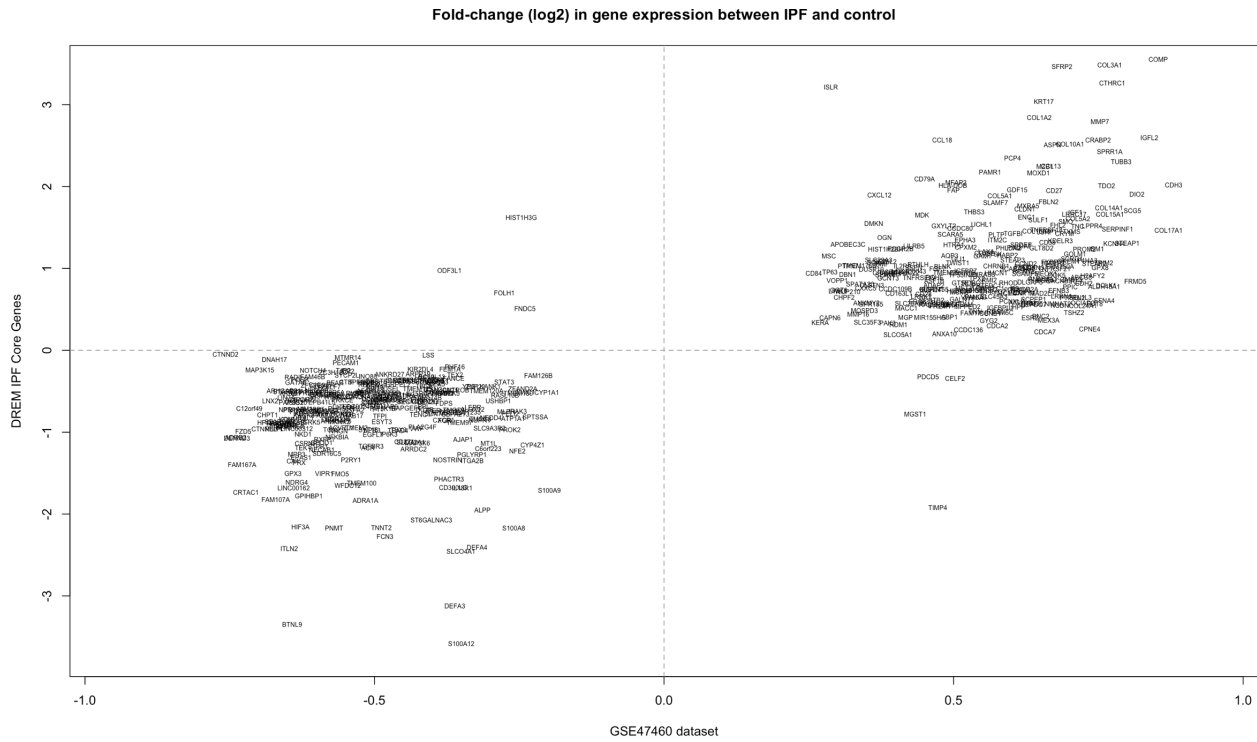


Figure S2. Direction of expression of core genes compared with differentially expressed genes from the LTRC dataset GSE47460 used in a previously published study (9).

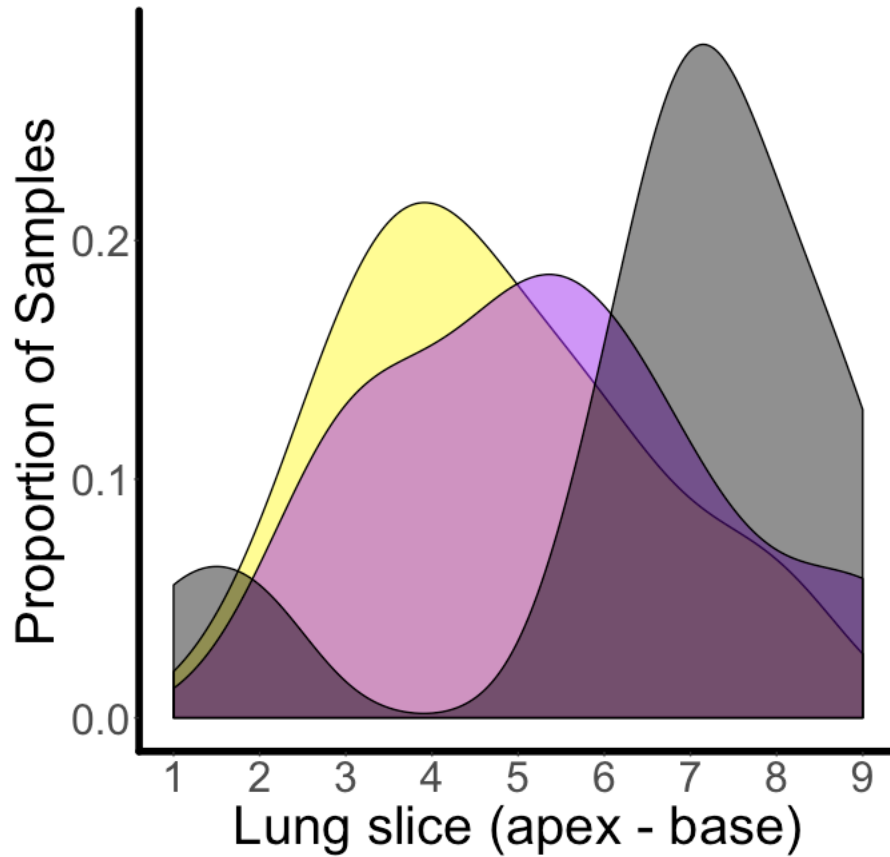


Figure S3: Distribution of samples for each fibrosis severity group according to lung slice measured from apex to base of the lung. As expected for IPF, we found apical regions of the lung were less severely fibrotic (IPF1) compared to basal regions of the lung which were comprised mainly of the severe fibrotic group (IPF3). IPF1 = yellow, IPF2 = purple, IPF3 = black.

Table S1: Top 100 differentially expressed genes (up or down-regulated) in IPF. Foldchange (fc) refers to log2 fold-change of each gene for that IPF stage versus control. Red boxes highlight the adjusted p-values that were below the significance threshold (0.05).

Gene ID	IPF1_adj.pval	IPF2_adj.pval	IPF3_adj.pval	IPF1_fc	IPF2_fc	IPF3_fc	Track
ADRA1A	4.89E-04	2.29E-05	4.46E-04	-1.9	-2.1	-2.0	track_M
AGER	1.07E-01	3.42E-02	1.74E-02	-1.3	-2.0	-2.5	track_M
ALPP	6.52E-03	5.34E-03	3.83E-03	-2.1	-2.2	-2.1	track_M
APLNR	1.03E-01	2.53E-02	2.95E-01	1.4	1.4	2.3	track_B
ASPN	4.89E-04	1.26E-03	4.02E-04	2.4	2.2	2.3	track_A
BPIFB1	5.98E-01	4.67E-02	1.86E-02	0.8	2.3	2.7	track_A
BTNL9	5.58E-04	8.10E-05	1.91E-04	-3.5	-4.3	-3.6	track_M
CA4	1.03E-02	2.71E-04	2.13E-03	-1.5	-2.8	-2.5	track_M
CCL13	1.89E-02	1.33E-02	3.96E-02	2.1	2.3	2.2	track_A
CCL18	1.41E-02	1.82E-02	3.20E-02	2.5	2.1	2.2	track_A
CD27	8.54E-03	1.15E-04	8.66E-04	1.8	2.2	2.1	track_A
CD300LG	4.86E-02	2.57E-02	1.51E-02	-1.8	-2.2	-2.0	track_M
CD79A	2.70E-02	5.76E-04	1.50E-03	2.0	2.6	2.7	track_A
CDH3	3.98E-04	1.64E-05	2.50E-05	1.9	2.3	2.4	track_A
CHI3L2	5.26E-02	4.84E-02	2.52E-02	-2.1	-2.0	-2.4	track_M
CLEC1B	8.28E-02	1.40E-02	1.17E-02	-1.7	-2.3	-2.4	track_M
CLEC4E	3.57E-03	1.24E-03	4.53E-04	-2.1	-2.6	-2.8	track_M
COL10A1	4.46E-03	6.11E-03	1.06E-04	2.4	2.1	2.3	track_A
COL15A1	1.76E-02	3.36E-03	1.65E-03	1.5	1.8	2.3	track_B
COL1A1	4.71E-03	1.43E-04	6.73E-05	4.0	3.8	4.3	track_A
COL1A2	4.20E-03	1.36E-04	3.24E-04	2.7	2.5	2.8	track_A
COL2A1	3.47E-02	8.14E-04	4.48E-05	2.0	1.9	2.4	track_B
COL3A1	1.28E-03	1.64E-05	1.49E-05	3.4	3.0	3.5	track_A
COL5A1	3.95E-02	1.57E-03	6.99E-04	1.8	1.7	2.2	track_B
COMP	9.93E-03	3.39E-03	8.11E-04	3.4	3.1	3.4	track_A
CPXM1	2.52E-01	6.50E-05	2.12E-05	0.9	1.9	3.0	track_A
CRABP2	7.94E-03	1.36E-03	3.09E-04	2.5	2.9	3.1	track_A
CST2	1.10E-02	1.41E-02	3.35E-03	2.8	2.6	2.5	track_A
CTHRC1	1.79E-03	1.17E-04	1.53E-05	3.1	2.6	3.3	track_A
CXCL13	6.09E-02	3.67E-03	3.93E-03	2.0	2.7	3.2	track_A
CXCL14	4.89E-04	8.10E-05	1.46E-04	3.0	3.3	3.4	track_A
CXCL6	2.60E-01	1.20E-02	1.15E-02	1.4	2.6	2.7	track_A
DEFA1	1.10E-02	6.46E-03	3.00E-03	-3.4	-4.0	-3.6	track_M
DEFA3	2.29E-02	1.31E-02	8.64E-03	-3.2	-3.8	-3.5	track_M

DEFA4	1.89E-02	9.05E-03	8.60E-03	-2.5	-2.6	-2.6	track_M
F2RL3	2.73E-02	8.83E-03	2.79E-03	-2.3	-3.0	-3.0	track_M
FAM107A	1.91E-02	4.17E-02	4.02E-03	-1.9	-2.5	-2.4	track_M
FAP	2.60E-03	9.96E-05	2.12E-05	1.8	1.6	2.3	track_B
FCN3	2.37E-02	8.59E-03	2.67E-03	-2.4	-3.2	-2.8	track_M
FOLR2	2.84E-04	8.10E-05	3.40E-03	2.2	1.8	1.7	track_B
GGTLC1	1.72E-01	4.57E-02	2.96E-02	-1.3	-2.0	-2.4	track_M
GP9	2.06E-01	1.80E-02	3.33E-02	-1.3	-2.2	-2.0	track_M
GSTA1	3.95E-01	6.17E-02	3.29E-02	1.0	1.8	2.1	track_B
GSTA2	1.66E-01	2.05E-02	1.21E-02	1.5	2.2	2.5	track_A
HBA1	2.73E-02	4.34E-02	1.20E-01	3.5	2.6	2.5	track_A
HBA2	2.72E-02	4.19E-02	1.05E-01	3.5	2.6	2.5	track_A
HBB	3.15E-02	5.14E-02	1.07E-01	3.5	2.7	2.6	track_A
HIF3A	1.29E-02	6.65E-03	3.81E-02	-2.3	-2.6	-2.0	track_M
HLA-DOB	6.27E-03	4.26E-04	6.75E-04	1.9	2.1	2.2	track_A
IGFL2	1.28E-03	1.11E-03	2.73E-05	2.5	2.9	2.7	track_A
IGJ	2.68E-02	4.86E-02	7.83E-02	2.1	2.1	1.8	track_B
IGLL5	6.84E-03	3.60E-03	8.60E-03	3.3	3.7	3.3	track_A
IL1R2	6.68E-02	4.38E-02	2.87E-02	-2.6	-2.6	-2.6	track_M
ISLR	1.17E-03	4.57E-05	1.24E-05	3.1	3.0	3.4	track_A
ITLN2	1.74E-02	1.94E-04	2.79E-03	-2.5	-3.1	-3.4	track_M
KRT14	1.48E-01	1.15E-02	1.41E-02	2.0	3.1	2.8	track_A
KRT15	3.87E-01	8.38E-03	1.09E-02	0.8	1.9	2.1	track_B
KRT17	5.26E-03	9.84E-05	9.99E-05	2.9	4.0	4.0	track_A
KRT5	3.36E-01	8.93E-03	1.26E-02	1.3	2.7	2.9	track_A
LINC00162	1.37E-02	8.21E-03	3.04E-03	-1.8	-1.9	-2.4	track_M
LY6D	1.02E-01	1.17E-04	2.19E-02	0.6	2.3	2.0	track_A
LY6G6F	6.21E-02	1.51E-02	2.46E-02	-1.6	-2.3	-2.0	track_M
MMP11	5.17E-02	5.01E-03	1.67E-02	1.7	2.2	2.5	track_A
MMP7	1.06E-03	9.84E-05	1.53E-05	2.7	3.5	3.6	track_A
MOXD1	4.91E-03	7.95E-04	7.43E-04	2.1	1.8	2.4	track_B
MT1A	4.41E-02	2.71E-02	2.85E-03	-2.5	-2.5	-3.2	track_M
MT1M	8.49E-02	3.15E-02	3.15E-02	-2.6	-3.1	-3.0	track_M
MZB1	3.26E-02	3.98E-03	3.40E-03	2.1	2.7	2.9	track_A
NDRG4	1.28E-03	9.96E-05	1.63E-05	-1.7	-2.1	-2.3	track_M
PAMR1	1.11E-03	3.41E-04	2.12E-05	2.1	1.7	2.2	track_B
PCP4	2.90E-02	2.90E-02	2.79E-02	2.2	1.9	2.3	track_B
PF4	1.31E-01	1.73E-02	2.78E-02	-2.1	-3.4	-3.0	track_M
PNMT	2.43E-02	7.90E-03	1.71E-02	-2.3	-2.5	-2.3	track_M
POSTN	2.24E-02	1.57E-03	1.24E-03	2.3	2.3	2.5	track_A

POU2AF1	5.29E-02	2.61E-03	1.30E-03	1.3	1.9	2.2	track_B
S100A12	3.98E-04	2.46E-04	1.53E-05	-3.7	-3.2	-3.6	track_M
S100A2	2.02E-01	1.58E-03	2.37E-03	1.5	2.9	3.2	track_A
S100A8	4.89E-04	4.26E-04	2.39E-04	-2.3	-2.3	-2.8	track_M
S100A9	7.59E-03	9.09E-03	3.90E-03	-1.8	-2.1	-2.2	track_M
SERPINB3	4.12E-01	2.06E-02	3.26E-02	1.1	2.3	2.6	track_A
SERPIND1	1.64E-02	6.33E-05	1.30E-03	2.2	2.9	2.5	track_A
SFRP2	4.89E-04	3.25E-04	1.24E-04	3.4	3.1	3.1	track_A
SFRP4	5.13E-04	6.61E-03	1.98E-02	3.2	2.2	2.7	track_A
SLCO4A1	3.09E-03	5.54E-03	2.48E-04	-2.6	-2.3	-2.7	track_M
SNORD83B	1.83E-01	4.82E-02	7.09E-01	-1.9	-2.3	-0.6	track_M
SPP1	2.29E-01	3.64E-02	9.79E-03	1.4	2.5	2.6	track_A
SPRR1A	8.83E-03	9.97E-03	8.11E-04	2.3	2.5	2.9	track_A
SPRR1B	2.33E-01	6.89E-01	1.21E-02	0.6	0.6	2.3	track_B
ST6GALNAC3	3.09E-03	5.14E-04	5.64E-04	-2.2	-2.1	-2.1	track_M
SULF1	1.94E-03	3.25E-04	4.48E-05	1.5	1.7	2.2	track_B
TDO2	8.66E-03	1.21E-03	2.69E-03	1.9	2.5	2.4	track_A
THBS2	1.75E-02	2.09E-04	3.62E-04	2.0	2.0	2.7	track_A
THY1	1.53E-03	2.71E-04	7.49E-04	3.8	3.7	3.8	track_A
TIMP4	7.97E-03	1.51E-02	2.45E-03	-2.0	-1.6	-2.1	track_M
TMEM100	6.72E-03	1.58E-02	3.85E-04	-1.7	-2.1	-2.8	track_M
TNNT2	4.89E-04	1.21E-03	9.01E-04	-2.3	-2.1	-1.9	track_M
TTR	1.80E-02	8.38E-03	9.11E-02	2.9	1.4	2.0	track_B
TUBB3	4.20E-03	1.64E-05	8.76E-05	2.2	2.4	2.5	track_A
UBD	8.06E-02	4.61E-02	4.62E-02	2.0	2.0	2.1	track_B
VIPR1	3.28E-03	5.16E-04	4.18E-04	-1.6	-2.2	-2.3	track_M

Table S2: Table of the 69 genes identified as relevant to IPF.(10) Half the genes (34/69) were found to be differentially expressed in at least one stage in our dataset. Of these genes 16 were differentially expressed at all stages of disease while 14 were at the late stages of disease. Four genes were expressed in both the early and late stage but were above the significance threshold to be a core gene.

GENE	IPF1_adj.p.val	IPF2_adj.pv.al	IPF3_adj.p.val	IPF1_fc	IPF2_fc	IPF3_fc	Track
AGER	1.07E-01	3.42E-02	1.74E-02	-1.263	-2.007	-2.536	track_M
BAX	7.28E-02	5.49E-02	7.31E-02	0.509	0.502	0.421	#N/A
BPIFA1	8.40E-01	1.77E-01	1.62E-01	0.450	1.712	1.897	#N/A
C6	8.95E-01	5.16E-01	3.81E-01	0.106	0.347	0.422	#N/A
CASP6	7.25E-01	4.13E-01	4.03E-01	0.126	0.228	0.216	#N/A
CAV1	9.23E-01	9.12E-01	7.71E-01	-0.037	0.047	0.117	#N/A
CCNA2	2.60E-01	1.51E-01	3.19E-02	0.358	0.399	0.608	track_E
CDH2	1.50E-02	1.09E-02	1.54E-03	0.701	0.905	0.890	track_C
COMP	9.93E-03	3.39E-03	8.11E-04	3.438	3.060	3.376	track_A
CRLF1	2.37E-02	1.26E-02	1.16E-02	1.774	1.775	1.714	track_B
CTHRC1	1.79E-03	1.17E-04	1.53E-05	3.147	2.628	3.331	track_A
CTNNB1	5.98E-01	4.18E-01	6.96E-01	0.118	0.125	0.066	#N/A
CTSE	3.78E-02	1.05E-02	7.34E-02	1.378	1.464	1.225	track_B
CXCL12	2.31E-02	3.67E-03	8.60E-03	1.784	2.046	2.008	track_B
DEFA3	2.29E-02	1.31E-02	8.64E-03	-3.239	-3.767	-3.460	track_M
DEFA4	1.89E-02	9.05E-03	8.60E-03	-2.524	-2.618	-2.559	track_M
DIO2	1.22E-02	8.33E-05	6.47E-05	1.792	1.707	2.025	track_B
DNAH6	9.50E-01	1.76E-01	1.39E-01	-0.025	0.498	0.536	#N/A
DNAH7	9.23E-01	1.90E-01	1.73E-01	0.044	0.458	0.413	#N/A
DNAI1	8.33E-01	1.44E-01	7.16E-02	0.195	0.861	1.083	#N/A
EGFR	5.51E-02	2.75E-02	3.29E-02	-0.528	-0.602	-0.468	track_J
FHL2	4.59E-03	1.42E-03	5.96E-04	1.414	1.558	1.666	track_B
FKBP10	1.06E-01	1.03E-01	2.68E-02	0.924	0.762	1.032	track_C
FOXF1	1.55E-01	1.06E-02	1.28E-02	-0.655	-1.110	-1.144	track_L
FZD2	9.51E-01	1.00E+00	8.44E-01	0.040	0.002	0.135	#N/A
FZD3	9.84E-01	3.61E-01	1.05E-01	0.005	0.142	0.214	#N/A
GAL	8.24E-01	1.10E-01	2.28E-01	0.071	0.502	0.293	#N/A
GREM1	4.93E-02	3.41E-04	1.99E-02	0.974	1.172	1.264	track_C
GSK3B	4.07E-01	4.74E-01	2.89E-01	-0.181	-0.146	-0.236	#N/A
HIF1A	8.85E-01	3.21E-01	5.06E-01	0.052	0.404	0.223	#N/A

HSPA1A	1.15E-01	9.00E-01	7.34E-02	0.563	0.052	0.491	#N/A
IGFBP3	2.59E-01	5.00E-01	2.17E-01	0.872	0.595	0.836	#N/A
IGFBP4	1.86E-01	1.69E-02	5.23E-02	0.609	1.041	0.890	track_C
IGFBP5	3.01E-01	1.05E-01	3.16E-02	0.541	0.759	0.890	track_D
LCLAT1	9.90E-01	4.87E-01	4.91E-01	0.005	0.182	0.167	#N/A
LCN2	7.88E-01	1.83E-01	1.25E-01	0.279	1.058	1.186	#N/A
LEF1	2.63E-02	8.82E-02	3.40E-03	0.507	0.564	0.522	track_E
LRP5	9.33E-01	9.61E-01	8.42E-01	-0.048	0.024	0.085	#N/A
MMP1	6.81E-01	4.52E-03	2.01E-03	0.278	1.320	1.688	track_B
MMP19	1.23E-02	1.46E-01	1.16E-02	1.196	0.918	1.274	track_C
MMP2	4.20E-02	2.82E-02	1.11E-02	1.410	1.159	1.563	track_B
MMP28	9.45E-01	4.57E-01	4.70E-01	-0.040	-0.358	-0.247	#N/A
MMP3	7.17E-01	9.96E-01	3.03E-01	-0.011	0.000	0.031	#N/A
MMP7	1.06E-03	9.84E-05	1.53E-05	2.680	3.455	3.648	track_A
MMP9	2.37E-01	8.09E-01	3.05E-01	1.329	0.340	0.815	#N/A
MUC5B	2.35E-01	1.29E-02	1.47E-02	1.046	1.632	1.875	track_B
NELL1	2.38E-01	1.75E-01	3.14E-01	0.129	0.147	0.107	#N/A
PCSK1	3.78E-01	1.99E-02	9.72E-03	0.096	0.163	0.229	track_G
PINK1	9.81E-01	4.45E-01	7.50E-01	0.011	-0.243	-0.098	#N/A
PLA2G2A	1.64E-01	7.14E-02	9.76E-02	1.186	1.371	1.232	#N/A
PTPN11	1.44E-01	1.38E-01	7.71E-02	-0.366	-0.251	-0.309	#N/A
RPGRIP1L	8.85E-01	2.68E-01	1.63E-01	0.050	0.304	0.367	#N/A
RXFP1	1.88E-02	1.74E-03	3.25E-03	-1.205	-1.326	-1.434	track_L
SERPINF1	8.36E-03	3.09E-03	1.55E-03	1.363	1.331	1.480	track_B
SFTP1A1	1.91E-01	1.64E-01	9.35E-02	-0.563	-0.700	-0.867	#N/A
SLC2A5	1.94E-01	8.96E-02	2.88E-02	0.402	0.625	0.716	track_D
SPP1	2.29E-01	3.64E-02	9.79E-03	1.382	2.523	2.558	track_A
SYN2	3.03E-02	1.10E-02	1.35E-02	-1.119	-1.277	-1.190	track_L
TAGLN	8.95E-01	1.61E-01	5.08E-01	0.079	0.562	0.275	#N/A
TAZ	5.36E-01	9.00E-01	9.55E-01	-0.289	-0.069	0.034	#N/A
TNFSF10	9.32E-01	6.86E-01	8.07E-01	-0.080	-0.252	-0.180	#N/A
TWIST1	5.45E-03	1.26E-04	3.04E-04	0.956	1.007	1.055	track_C
VCAM1	3.35E-02	5.24E-02	1.17E-02	1.800	1.729	2.102	track_B
WISP1	8.63E-01	8.93E-01	7.61E-01	-0.053	0.048	0.114	#N/A

WNT1	7.69E-01	6.77E-01	4.71E-01	0.008	-0.010	-0.012	#N/A
WNT10B	1.22E-01	2.34E-02	2.32E-02	0.487	0.649	0.793	track_D
WNT3A	8.93E-02	3.54E-02	1.56E-02	-0.722	-0.904	-0.963	track_K
WNT5A	3.25E-01	2.95E-01	5.83E-01	0.274	0.264	0.154	#N/A
WNT7B	6.13E-01	1.00E-01	3.24E-01	0.173	0.344	0.259	#N/A

Table S3: Table of all differentially expressed microRNAs. Foldchange refers to log2 fold-change of each microRNA for that IPF stage versus control. Red boxes highlight the adjusted p-values that were below the significance threshold (0.1).

microRNA	IPF1_adj.p.val	IPF2_adj.p.val	IPF3_adj.p.val	IPF1_fc	IPF2_fc	IPF3_fc
hsa-let-7a-5p	1.00E+00	3.44E-02	2.67E-02	0.057	-0.460	-0.629
hsa-let-7d-5p	9.85E-01	3.54E-02	2.67E-02	-0.207	-0.416	-0.558
hsa-let-7g-5p	1.00E+00	2.16E-01	5.61E-03	-0.085	-0.288	-0.550
hsa-let-7i-5p	1.85E-01	1.85E-02	6.27E-02	0.500	0.527	0.543
hsa-miR-1180	1.00E+00	1.21E-01	9.92E-02	0.149	0.530	0.621
hsa-miR-125b-5p	6.41E-01	5.99E-02	3.70E-01	0.294	0.578	0.390
hsa-miR-126-3p	3.60E-04	1.12E-05	8.50E-06	-0.765	-1.352	-1.426
hsa-miR-1260b	1.45E-01	5.03E-02	1.60E-01	-0.393	-0.468	-0.433
hsa-miR-127-3p	9.35E-03	3.07E-03	7.15E-03	1.766	1.810	1.746
hsa-miR-1285-3p	1.00E+00	5.46E-02	8.86E-01	-0.010	-0.949	-0.074
hsa-miR-1302	2.34E-01	2.18E-01	2.97E-02	0.604	0.513	0.915
hsa-miR-130a-3p	1.85E-01	2.44E-02	2.48E-01	-0.438	-0.432	-0.444
hsa-miR-132-3p	6.06E-02	3.26E-02	8.15E-02	0.776	0.615	0.631
hsa-miR-135a-5p	1.63E-03	1.01E-03	2.77E-02	-1.692	-1.816	-1.645
hsa-miR-141-3p	1.17E-01	8.77E-02	7.44E-01	-0.882	-0.536	-0.245
hsa-miR-144-3p	5.21E-01	6.51E-02	8.42E-02	1.610	2.150	2.553
hsa-miR-1537	1.17E-02	2.77E-03	1.84E-02	-0.853	-0.863	-0.977
hsa-miR-154-5p	1.39E-01	2.26E-01	3.63E-02	0.616	0.541	0.856
hsa-miR-155-5p	6.03E-02	1.86E-02	2.94E-02	2.373	2.577	2.368
hsa-miR-181a-5p	6.09E-01	9.76E-03	2.39E-02	-0.275	-0.639	-0.891
hsa-miR-181b-5p+	1.00E+00	6.54E-02	1.51E-01	0.046	-0.346	-0.403
hsa-miR-181d						
hsa-miR-181c-5p	2.79E-01	2.44E-02	1.20E-01	-0.336	-0.445	-0.557
hsa-miR-182-5p	3.16E-03	3.07E-03	7.15E-03	0.794	0.728	0.770
hsa-miR-183-5p	1.54E-02	1.43E-01	4.40E-02	0.659	0.444	0.521
hsa-miR-185-5p	6.03E-02	5.99E-02	1.72E-02	0.735	0.569	0.674
hsa-miR-187-3p	1.00E+00	7.16E-02	1.63E-01	0.179	0.630	0.622
hsa-miR-199a-3p+	1.45E-01	1.28E-02	8.15E-02	0.630	0.878	0.731
hsa-miR-199b-3p						
hsa-miR-199a-5p	7.23E-03	3.35E-02	1.05E-02	0.878	0.762	0.983

hsa-miR-199b-5p	6.03E-02	9.52E-04	5.86E-02	0.903	1.174	0.762
hsa-miR-200a-3p	7.03E-02	7.69E-01	8.42E-01	-0.624	-0.237	-0.092
hsa-miR-203	3.61E-02	1.77E-03	2.39E-02	-0.831	-1.167	-1.133
hsa-miR-205-5p	8.14E-01	4.06E-03	1.01E-02	0.868	2.410	2.396
hsa-miR-208a	5.82E-01	5.03E-02	5.56E-01	-0.287	-0.607	-0.230
hsa-miR-20a-5p+	5.21E-01	6.53E-02	7.44E-01	-0.239	-0.366	-0.123
hsa-miR-20b-5p						
hsa-miR-21-5p	2.11E-04	6.10E-07	4.46E-05	1.427	1.668	1.965
hsa-miR-218-5p	7.23E-03	8.28E-02	3.84E-02	-1.013	-0.843	-0.991
hsa-miR-219-1-3p	2.85E-01	3.57E-01	6.10E-02	0.422	0.397	0.560
hsa-miR-222-3p	2.63E-02	3.44E-02	4.04E-01	-0.745	-0.509	-0.315
hsa-miR-223-3p	1.17E-01	5.78E-02	8.76E-02	-0.961	-1.077	-1.179
hsa-miR-26a-5p	9.55E-01	1.82E-01	8.79E-02	-0.246	-0.540	-0.681
hsa-miR-26b-5p	8.62E-01	2.94E-01	7.24E-02	-0.224	-0.363	-0.557
hsa-miR-27b-3p	6.95E-02	2.75E-02	5.01E-03	0.423	0.595	0.800
hsa-miR-299-5p	2.26E-01	7.24E-02	3.86E-02	0.489	0.530	0.684
hsa-miR-29c-3p	2.63E-02	1.77E-01	3.03E-01	-0.825	-0.509	-0.442
hsa-miR-30a-5p	7.23E-03	1.19E-04	4.18E-03	-0.968	-1.337	-1.327
hsa-miR-30b-5p	6.57E-02	7.17E-03	7.15E-03	-1.131	-1.431	-1.603
hsa-miR-30d-5p	2.11E-04	2.38E-05	4.16E-04	-1.456	-1.563	-1.555
hsa-miR-30e-5p	2.01E-01	3.46E-02	7.42E-01	-0.567	-0.438	-0.219
hsa-miR-3127-5p	5.58E-01	9.98E-02	3.88E-01	-0.432	-0.667	-0.423
hsa-miR-3184-5p	4.87E-01	6.03E-01	3.84E-02	0.509	0.413	0.883
hsa-miR-323a-3p	6.95E-02	2.07E-01	6.40E-02	0.757	0.580	0.887
hsa-miR-335-5p	1.00E+00	6.03E-02	2.94E-01	-0.129	-0.477	-0.313
hsa-miR-337-5p	1.23E-01	1.16E-01	2.94E-02	0.685	0.656	0.946
hsa-miR-338-3p	2.11E-04	1.18E-04	2.98E-05	-1.918	-1.871	-2.502
hsa-miR-34a-5p	1.57E-02	1.57E-02	1.01E-02	0.741	0.884	1.164
hsa-miR-34c-3p	1.00E+00	1.57E-02	4.22E-02	0.193	0.908	0.927
hsa-miR-34c-5p	1.00E+00	6.97E-02	7.27E-02	0.551	1.538	1.623
hsa-miR-376a-3p	2.72E-02	2.50E-03	1.02E-03	0.982	1.343	1.688
hsa-miR-376c	6.03E-02	2.44E-02	1.05E-02	0.677	0.773	1.054
hsa-miR-377-3p	2.63E-02	9.21E-04	5.01E-03	0.908	1.305	1.344
hsa-miR-378d	1.85E-01	5.78E-02	1.61E-02	0.902	0.857	1.002

hsa-miR-382-5p	1.83E-02	2.87E-03	1.01E-02	1.157	1.196	1.369
hsa-miR-409-3p	2.46E-01	2.55E-01	8.15E-02	0.664	0.614	0.913
hsa-miR-411-5p	3.93E-01	2.94E-01	2.39E-02	0.493	0.529	0.876
hsa-miR-423-5p	9.50E-01	4.35E-02	1.60E-01	-0.230	-0.649	-0.494
hsa-miR-4286	1.00E+00	9.13E-01	6.40E-02	0.231	0.393	1.634
hsa-miR-451a	3.78E-02	3.69E-02	1.04E-01	2.455	2.317	1.833
hsa-miR-455-5p	5.77E-02	2.52E-01	4.25E-01	-0.474	-0.376	-0.207
hsa-miR-495	7.23E-03	2.77E-03	1.02E-03	1.233	1.234	1.547
hsa-miR-506-3p	4.27E-01	2.65E-01	8.07E-02	0.561	0.541	0.782
hsa-miR-507	6.08E-01	4.81E-01	6.40E-02	0.542	0.447	0.801
hsa-miR-509-3p	6.09E-01	8.46E-01	9.76E-02	0.436	0.284	0.669
hsa-miR-513b	2.01E-01	2.79E-01	1.01E-02	0.645	0.435	0.851
hsa-miR-518b	6.99E-02	3.23E-02	3.16E-02	-0.654	-0.788	-0.817
hsa-miR-522-3p	8.08E-01	2.84E-02	4.23E-02	-0.330	-0.863	-0.922
hsa-miR-543	7.93E-02	3.23E-02	2.67E-02	0.843	0.911	1.153
hsa-miR-548g-3p	1.31E-01	3.26E-02	1.83E-02	0.891	0.844	0.985
hsa-miR-548v	1.83E-01	6.91E-02	2.53E-01	-0.526	-0.598	-0.440
hsa-miR-592	3.34E-01	8.28E-02	3.71E-01	-0.716	-0.945	-0.757
hsa-miR-598	8.37E-01	5.03E-02	8.03E-02	-0.247	-0.507	-0.539
hsa-miR-630	1.00E+00	5.78E-02	6.27E-01	-0.304	-1.001	0.375
hsa-miR-656	6.09E-01	7.78E-01	6.35E-02	0.386	0.296	0.761
hsa-miR-874	3.13E-01	4.96E-01	2.39E-02	0.646	0.440	0.779
hsa-miR-933	6.59E-01	1.71E-01	7.55E-02	0.437	0.535	0.637
hsa-miR-96-5p	1.74E-01	1.19E-01	1.48E-02	0.486	0.541	0.824
hsa-miR-99a-5p	8.43E-02	7.28E-03	1.12E-01	0.389	0.581	0.524

Table S4: A list of microRNAs and target genes in each stage of IPF. Symbols (*, †, or ‡) indicate genes regulated by their respective microRNAs.

1. MicroRNAs with increased expression and corresponding decreased target genes.

IPF core microRNAs and genes

miR-127-3p, miR-21-5p†, miR-382-5p, miR-495

COBLL1†, DOCK5†, FAM126B†, GRPEL2†, ITSN2†, KAT6A†, MEF2A†, MKNK2†, NCOA3†, PFKFB2†, PIK3R1†, PLEKHA1†, RAPH1†, SASH1†, SESTD1†, SNRK†, SSFA2†, STAT3†, THOC2†, TMEM245†

IPF1 microRNAs and genes

miR-127-3p, miR-21-5p†, miR-382-5p, miR-451a, miR-495

AGO2†, ARPP19, CDKN2D, CEBPB†, CLOCK†, COBLL1†, DOCK5†, EXOSC2, FAM126B†, FNIP1, GRPEL2†, HIPK3†, IL6R, ITSN2†, KAT6A†, MAPK1, MEF2A†, MKNK2†, MYO9A†, NCOA3†, NIPBL†, NSUN2†, PDHA2†, PFKFB2†, PIK3R1†, PKNOX1†, PLEKHA1†, PPARA†, PRKCE†, PROSER1†, RAPH1†, SASH1†, SESTD1†, SLC10A7, SNRK†, SSFA2†, STAT3†, STUB1†, THOC2†, TMEM245†, VEGFA†, WNK3†, WWC2†

IPF2 microRNAs and genes

miR-127-3p, miR-155-5p*, miR-199b-5p, miR-205-5p, miR-21-5p†, miR-376a-3p, miR-377-3p, miR-382-5p, miR-451a, miR-495

ARHGEF12†, ARL8B*, ARPP19, BMPR2†, CARHSP1*, CCDC69, CDC42BPB*, CDKN2D, CDV3*, CEBPB*†, CFL2*, CNTROB, COBLL1†, CUX1*, CYP1A1*, CYP20A1, DOCK5†, DUSP8†, ECI1*, EGFR*†, ERGIC1*, FAM126B†, FAM177A1*, FLT1*, FRMD3, GATA6, GOLPH3*, GPD1L†, GRB10, GRPEL2†, HAL*, HERPUD2†, HSPA12B, BA57, IL6R, INPP5A*, ITSN2†, KAT6A†, KCTD3*, LIMCH1†, LNX2*, LTN1*, MAPK1, MAPK4, MARCH2, MEF2A*†, MGAT4A†, MIA2*, MKNK2†, MMAB, MUT*, MYO10*, MYO9A†, NANOS1, NCKAP1*, NCOA3†, NDUFS2, PACSIN3*, PAM16*, PARD6B, PCGF2†, PELI2, PFKFB2†, PHGDH*, PIK3R1*†, PLEKHA1†, PNPLA8*, POLR2C*, PPL*, PPM1L†, PRKAR2A*, PROSER1†, PTPRM, PURB†, RAB11FIP1, RAB21, RAB3IP*, RAB5A, RAB6A*†, RAD1*, RAPGEF2*, RAPH1*†, RCOR1*, SASH1†, SEC24B*, SESTD1†, SLC26A2†, SLC35G2, SMARCD2*, SNRK†, SORT1, SSFA2†, SSU72*, STARD7, STAT3*†, TAL1, TBC1D14*, TBCA*, THOC2†, TMEM245†, TRAPPC6B, UBE2B, UBXN2B*, UVRAG, VEGFA†, VPS26A†, WWC1*, WWC2†, YARS*, YES1, YWHAH, ZNF148*, ZNF669, ZNF736

IPF3 microRNAs and genes

miR-127-3p, miR-155-5p*, miR-205-5p, miR-21-5p†, miR-34a-5p‡, miR-376a-3p, miR-376c, miR-377-3p, miR-378d, miR-382-5p, miR-495, miR-543

ACSL1‡, AMD1, ARHGEF12†, ARL8B*, ATP5S‡, ATXN1L‡, BCL2L13‡, BFAR‡, BMPR2†, BNIP3‡, CARHSP1*, CCDC69, CCND3‡, CD93, CDH13*, CDV3*, CFL2*, CLTB‡, CMSS1*, CNTROB, COBLL1†, CTIF‡, CYP1A1*, CYP51A1*‡, DOCK5†, EEF1E1*, EFNB1‡, EGFR*†, ELOVL7†, ERGIC1*, ETF1, FADS1*, FAH‡, FAM126B†, FAM177A1*, FKBP1A, FLT1*, FRMD3, GRPEL2†, GYG1‡, H3F3B‡, HAL*, HAX1*, HERPUD2†, HIRIP3‡, HSD17B7*, HSPA12B, IBA57, IL6R‡, INPP5A*, IPO7, ITGA5, ITSN2†, JPH1†, KAT6A†, LDLR, LIMCH1†, LNX2*, MAGI1‡, MAPK4, MARCH2, MEF2A*†, MEGF9†, MFN2‡, MKNK2†‡, MMAB, MYO10*, MYO1C‡, NANOS1, NCKAP1*, NCOA3†, NDUFA12, PALD1*, PAM16*, PARD6B, PCGF2†, PELI2, PFKFB2†, PIK3R1*†, PLEKHA1†, POLR2C*, PPL*, PPP1R11‡, PRKAR2A*, PTPRM, PURB†, RAB11FIP1, RAB21, RAB6A*†, RAPH1*†, RCOR1*, RPIA‡, SASH1†, SEC24B*, SESTD1†, SETD3‡, SLC35G2‡, SMARCD2*, SNRK†, SNX12‡,

SORT1‡, SPRY2†, SPTBN1‡, SQLE, SSFA2†, SSH2*, SSU72*, STARD7, STAT3*†, TAL1, THOC2‡‡, TJP2‡, TMEM2†, TMEM245†, TOMM20*, TPRG1L†, TTL12‡, UBA2*‡, UBE2B, UBE2J2*, UBQLN1*, UBXN2B*‡, VAMP2‡, VAPA, VPS26A†, WWC1*, YARS*, YES1, YWHAH, ZNF736

2. MicroRNAs with decreased expression and corresponding increased target genes.

IPF1 microRNAs and genes

miR-126-3p, miR-1537, miR-203, miR-222-3p, miR-29c-3p*, miR-30a-5p

COL10A1*, COL15A1*, COL1A1*, COL1A2*, COL3A1*, COL5A2*, CXCL12, KCNN4, MMP2*, MMP7, PHLDA2, PTGFRN, SELE, TGFBI, TUBB3, VCAM1

IPF2 microRNAs and genes

let-7a-5p, let-7d-5p*, miR-130a-3p, miR-1537, miR-181a-5p, miR-181c-5p, miR-222-3p, miR-30e-5p, miR-423-5p, miR-518b, miR-522-3p

APOBEC3C, CDKN2A, CERCAM, COL16A1, COL3A1*, COL5A2, CST5, HAS2, HLA-DOA, LRRC17, MMP1, SELE, SOX2, TFAP2A, TMEM45A, TRIM2, TWIST1, UCHL1

IPF3 microRNAs and genes

let-7a-5p, let-7d-5p*, let-7g-5p†, miR-1537, miR-181a-5p, miR-218-5p, miR-518b, miR-522-3p

ADAM12, CCDC80, CCL22, CCNB2, CCR7, COL16A1, COL1A2†, COL3A1*, CST5, CYP24A1, EGR3, EPHB2, FKBP10, FN1†, HAS2, ITM2C, LOXL2, LRRC17, MMP14, MMP2, MSC, PTGFRN, SFRP2, SMO, SOX2, TEX9, TMEM45A, TRIM2, TWIST1, UCHL1, VCAM1

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