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Bone Marrow Monocyte Isolation and M1 or M2 Differentiation

Bone marrow (BM) cells were collected from femurs and tibias of WT mice (C57BL/6J, 000664, Jackson Laboratory) by flushing them with buffer (PBS with 2% FBS and 1mM EDTA) using a 25-gauge needle. From the resulting BM cell suspension, the EasySep Mouse Monocyte Isolation Kit (StemCell Technologies, 19861) was used to isolate BM-derived monocytes, which were cultured for 7 days in RPMI medium (Thermo Fisher Scientific 11875093) supplemented with 20% FBS (Life Technologies, 10437028), 1% L-glutamine (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 25030-081), 1% Penicillin-Streptomycin (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 15140122) and 100ng/mL mouse CSF (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 14898380). On day 7 post-isolation, cells were polarized to M1 or M2 macrophages by culturing them with either 100ng/mL LPS (Sigma-Aldrich, L7895) and 20ng/mL IFNy (BioLegend, 575304) for M1 or 20ng/mL IL-4 (PeproTech, 214-14) for M2. For cellular RNA isolation, the traditional Trizol-chloroform method (1) was followed, while the exoRNeasy kit (Qiagen 77044) was used for EV-RNA isolation from culture media. mRNA reverse transcription was performed by using the High Capacity cDNA Reverse Transcription Kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific, 43-688-13; 25° C-10', 37° C-2h, 85° C-5', 12° C- ∞), while the miRCURY LNA RT Kit (Qiagen, 339340; 42°C-1h, 95°C-5', 4°C-∞) was used for miRNA. qRT-PCRs were performed in a QuantStudio 6 Flex Real-Time PCR System (Thermo Fisher, 4485694) using the Kapa SYBR® FAST qPCR Kit (Kapa Biosystems, KK4621) for mRNA and the PCR Master Mix (Exigon, 203420-01) for miRNA. The primer sequences used for determining signature genes of each macrophage subset and therefore polarization efficacy were the following; tnfa F: 5'-CCACCACGCTCTTCTGTCTAC-3', R: 5'-

TTGGGAACTTCTCATCCCTTT-3'; nos2 F: 5'- TGCGCCTTTGCTCATGACATCGA-3', R: 5'-ATGGATGCTGCTGAGGGCTCTGTT-3'; il1b F: 5'-GCTGTGGCAGCTACCTGTGTCTT-3', R: 5'-GGGAACGTCACACCAGCAGGT-3'; il6 F: 5'-

CTGCAAGAGACTTCCATCCAG-3', R: 5'-AGTGGTATAGACAGGTCTGTTGG-3'; ccl2 F: 5'-GAAGGAATGGGTCCAGACATAC-3', R: 5'-TCACACTGGTCACTCCTACA-3'; arg1 F: 5'-CTCCAAGCCAAAGTCCTTAGAG-3', R: 5'-GGAGCTGTCATTAGGGACATCA-3'; actb F: 5'-GTGACGTTGACATCCGTAAAGA-3', R: 5'-GCCGGACTCATCGTACTCC-3'. The miRNA primers were purchased from Qiagen: hsa-miR-150-5p miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00204660), hsa-miR-29a-3p miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00204660), hsa-miR-29a-3p miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00204660), hsa-miR-29a-3p miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00204698), hsa-miR-30a-5p miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00205695) and 5S rRNA miRCURY LNA miRNA PCR Assay (YP00203906).

SUPPLEMENTAL RESULTS

| miRNA | Odds Ratio for Tertile 3 vs | p-value trend* |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| | Tertile 1 with 95% CI | |
| miR-150-5p | 2.03 (1.12 – 3.67) | 0.02 |
| miR-29a-3p | 1.93 (1.07 – 3.50) | 0.02 |
| miR-30a-5p | 0.55 (0.31 – 0.97) | 0.04 |
| miR-30d-5p | 0.65 (0.35 – 1.21) | 0.17 |
| miR-21-5p | 0.68 (0.37 – 1.26) | 0.24 |
| miR-106b-5p | 0.73 (0.42 – 1.30) | 0.25 |
| miR-194-5p | 0.71 (0.40 – 1.27) | 0.25 |
| miR-22-3p | 1.39 (0.76 – 2.54) | 0.27 |
| miR-151a-3p | 0.72 (0.39 – 1.32) | 0.28 |
| miR-29c-3p | 1.39 (0.76 – 2.53) | 0.28 |
| miR-320a | 1.27 (0.70 – 2.29) | 0.41 |
| miR-146a-5p | 1.22 (0.68 – 2.18) | 0.48 |
| miR-146b-5p | 1.20 (0.67 – 2.16) | 0.5 |
| miR-423-5p | 1.17 (0.64 – 2.12) | 0.53 |
| miR-378c | 1.21 (0.65 – 2.27) | 0.54 |
| miR-100-5p | 0.87 (0.49 - 1.54) | 0.6 |
| miR-223-3p | 0.95 (0.54 - 1.67) | 0.83 |
| miR-92a-3p | 0.96 (0.48 - 1.91) | 0.92 |

Supplemental Table 1: Association between miRNAs and SCD

*Test for linear trend across tertiles

Supplemental Table 2:

Baseline characteristics of the individuals included in the cytokine analysis

| Characteristic | Overall Cohort (N=352) | Individuals not included in the cytokine analysis (N=295) | Individuals included in the cytokine analysis (N=57) | p-value*** |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|------------|
| Age* | 66 (11) years | 66 (11) years | 67 (11) years | 0.81 |
| Female | 20% | 19% | 21% | 0.76 |
| Prior MI | 86% | 87% | 81% | 0.23 |
| History of diabetes | 38% | 36% | 46% | 0.18 |
| NYHA class ≥ 2 | 26% | 26% | 28% | 0.73 |
| History of hypertension | 80% | 80% | 79% | 0.86 |
| History of atrial arrhythmia | 20% | 21% | 14% | 0.25 |
| Family history of SCD | 31% | 32% | 30% | 0.84 |
| Current smoker | 14% | 15% | 11% | 0.42 |
| Non-white | 8% | 8% | 4% | 0.28 |
| BMI** | 29.6 (26.2 – 34.0) | 29.9 (26.5 - 34.2) | 28.8 (25.6 - 33.9) | 0.24 |
| Ejection fraction** | 45 (40 - 53) | 46 (40 - 53) | 45 (40 - 50) | 0.48 |
| Aspirin | 83% | 81% | 91% | 0.08 |
| Betablocker | 78% | 77% | 86% | 0.12 |
| Statin | 90% | 89% | 93% | 0.48 |
| Follow up years* | 3.6 (1.6) | 3.4 (1.6) | 4.5 (1.6) | < 0.0001 |

*mean (standard deviation)

**median (quartile 1 – quartile 3)

*** p-value comparing individuals included and not included in the cytokine analysis

| | IL-6 (n=57) | IL-10 (n=44) | TNF-α (n=57) | MCP-1 (n=57) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| miR-150-5p | r = 0.10, p=0.4787 | r = -0.32, p=0.0331 | r = 0.08, p=0.5357 | r = 0.14, p=0.3129 |
| miR-29a-3p | r = 0.32, p=0.0145 | r = -0.05, p=0.7333 | r = 0.14, p=0.2898 | r = 0.12, p=0.3853 |
| miR-30a-5p | r = 0.28, p=0.0348 | r = 0.28, p=0.0704 | r = 0.22, p=0.1036 | r = -0.01, p=0.9538 |

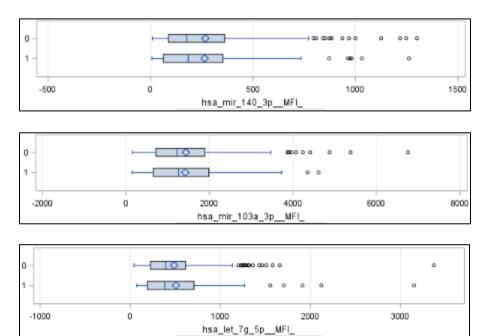
| Supplemental Table 3: Spearman Correlation Coefficients of miRNAs and cytokine | es |
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IL, interleukin; TNF, tumor necrosis factor; MCP-1, Monocyte Chemoattractant Protein-1

Supplemental Figure 1:

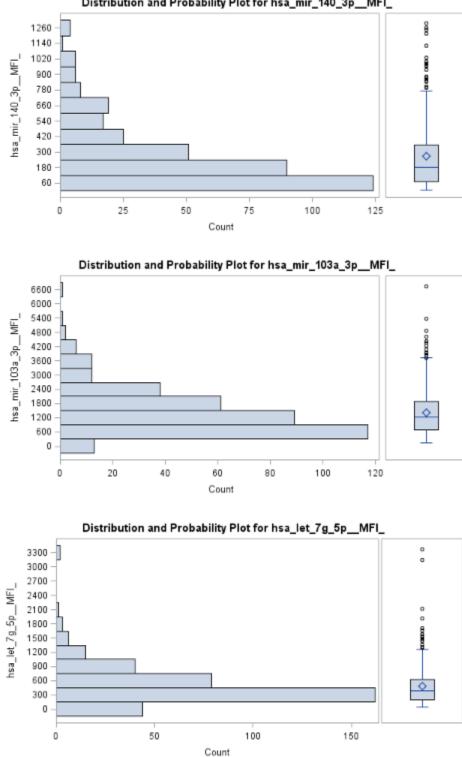
Distribution plots of the raw pre-normalized values for the 3 selected normalizer miRNAs: miR-

140-3p, miR-103a-3p, and miR-let-7g-5p stratified by case (1) versus control (0) status



Supplemental Figure 2:

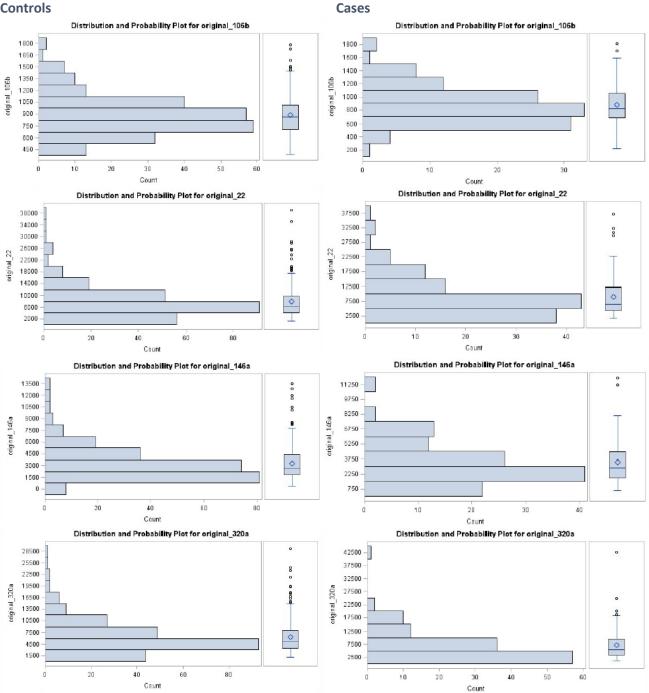
Distribution and probability plots for the 3 normalizer miRNAs (pre-normalization)



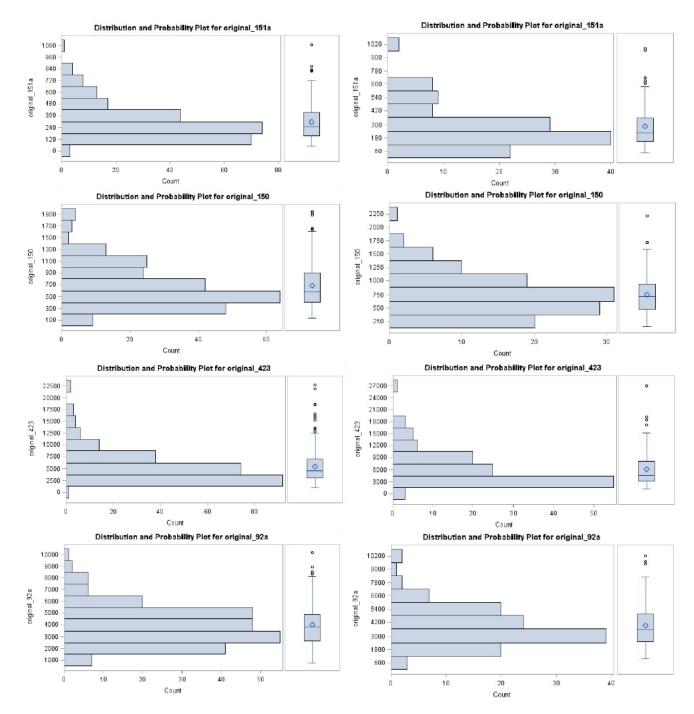
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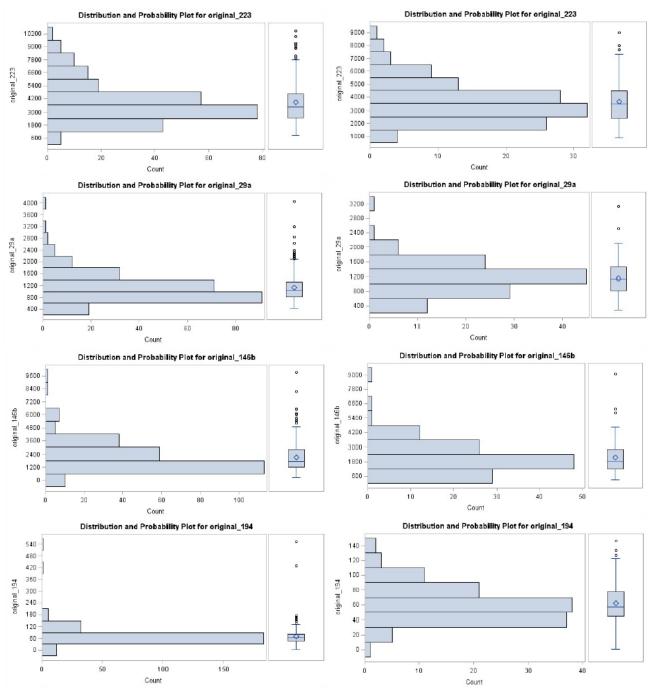
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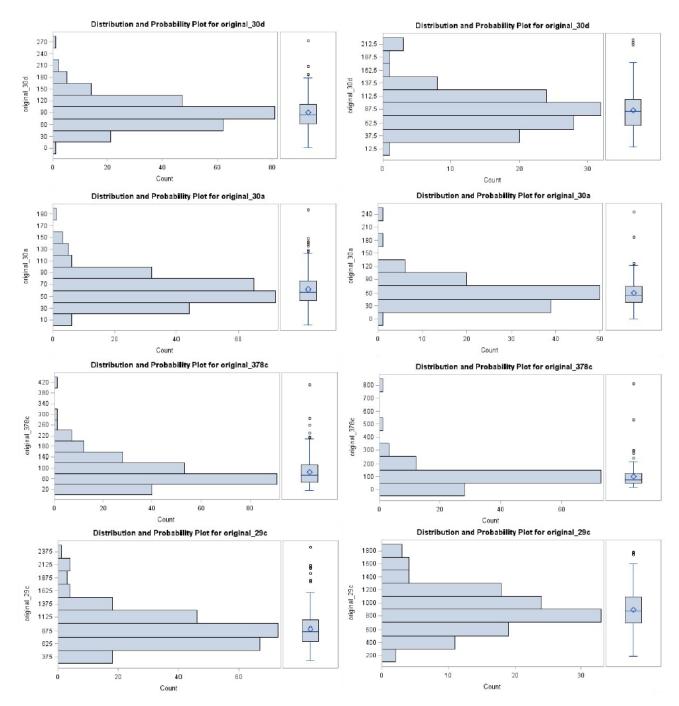
Distribution and probability plots for all miRNAs stratified by case/control status

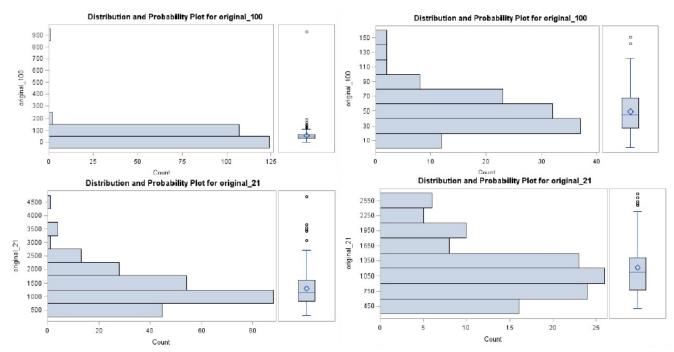


Controls





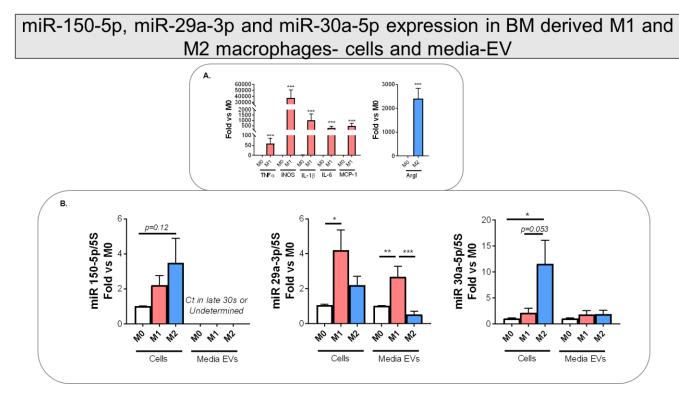




Supplemental Figure 4:

Expression levels of miR-150-5p, miR-29a-3p, and miR-30a-5p in bone marrow derived

monocytes



BM = bone marrow; EV = extracellular vesicle

A. Signature mRNA marker expression was determined in BM derived M1 and M2 macrophages to ensure in vitro polarization. Tnfa, inos, il1b, il6 and ccl2 were quantified as M1 macrophage markers and arg1 as M2 macrophage marker. Data is represented as fold vs M0. n=8, Statistics Mann-Whitney non-parametric test.

B. Quantification of the expression of the miRNA of interest (miR-150-5p, miR-29a-3p and miR-30a-5p) in BM derived M1 and M2 macrophages, as well as their respective culture media EVs. Data is represented as fold vs M0 cells or EVs from M0's culture media, respectively. n=8, Statistics 1-way ANOVA Turkey's multiple comparisons test. $*\leq0.05$, $**\leq0.01$, $**\leq0.001$.

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