

**Supplemental Information**

**Pulmonary Silicosis Alters MicroRNA Expression  
in Rat Lung and miR-411-3p Exerts Anti-fibrotic  
Effects by Inhibiting MRTF-A/SRF Signaling**

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**Table S1 The expression profile of differential miRNAs**

NO.	miRNA name	Control group content	Silicosis group content	$\log^2$ (fold change)	P-value
1	rno-miR-292-5p	0	11.2832	10.14	8.19E-12
2	rno-miR-292-3p	0	7.0492	9.4613	1.91E-10
3	rno-miR-295-3p	0	4.8306	8.9161	1.86E-07
4	rno-miR-291a-3p	0	3.0555	8.2553	4.51E-06
5	rno-miR-155-3p	0	2.1326	7.7365	2.35E-06
6	rno-miR-881-3p	0	2.1158	7.7251	0.013444
7	rno-miR-135b-5p	0	2.0126	7.6529	0.014651
8	rno-miR-293-5p	0.3523	50.9127	7.1751	1.32E-11
9	rno-miR-188-5p	0	1.3404	7.0665	7.90E-05
10	rno-miR-743b-5p	0	1.2385	6.9525	0.027306
11	rno-miR-743a-3p	0	1.1869	6.8911	0.029526
12	rno-miR-743b-3p	0	1.1611	6.8593	0.032019
13	rno-miR-291b	0	1.1205	6.808	0.008127
14	rno-miR-466b-5p	0	1.1102	6.7947	0.000167
15	rno-miR-471-5p	0	1.0837	6.7598	0.036316
16	rno-miR-466b-3p	0	0.9125	6.5118	0.008404
17	rno-miR-212-3p	0.5432	3.9932	2.878	0.00791
18	rno-miR-466b-4-3p	0.6435	3.669	2.5114	0.010213
19	rno-miR-466b-2-3p	0.6435	3.669	2.5114	0.010695
20	rno-miR-212-5p	0.7567	3.9403	2.3805	0.017963
21	rno-miR-132-5p	1.0726	5.2891	2.3019	7.98E-05
22	rno-miR-146b-5p	4229.006	20182.08	2.2547	9.47E-13
23	rno-miR-21-5p	15450.34	70581.41	2.1916	1.53E-16
24	rno-miR-146b-3p	22.5817	101.3028	2.1654	8.25E-10
25	rno-miR-132-3p	9.2137	40.5865	2.1391	7.93E-07
26	rno-miR-21-3p	3.1898	12.0515	1.9177	0.000108
27	rno-miR-155-5p	33.3228	124.4713	1.9012	4.45E-07
28	rno-miR-653-5p	1.9307	7.2058	1.9	0.000237
29	rno-miR-206-3p	6.0933	17.2657	1.5026	0.00096
30	rno-miR-148a-3p	23546.11	63418.52	1.4294	1.07E-05
31	rno-miR-466c-5p	7.6952	20.1652	1.3898	0.000576
32	rno-miR-452-5p	13.0802	32.1135	1.2958	0.000652
33	rno-miR-183-5p	529.7892	1239.862	1.2267	8.34E-05
34	rno-miR-224-5p	200.458	462.1928	1.2052	0.00026
35	rno-miR-501-3p	3.9363	8.8657	1.1714	0.004559
36	rno-miR-96-5p	107.0636	240.4405	1.1672	4.19E-05
37	rno-miR-130b-5p	3.529	7.7496	1.1349	0.020522
38	rno-miR-146a-3p	5.1955	11.1303	1.0992	0.010418
39	rno-miR-182	428.3515	905.7955	1.0804	0.000499
40	rno-miR-148a-5p	105.0684	211.9542	1.0124	0.000277
41	rno-miR-18a-5p	2.984	5.9862	1.0044	0.047177

42	rno-miR-139-3p	10.6866	5.1788	-1.0451	0.047487
43	rno-miR-30a-5p	53536.88	25708.52	-1.0583	0.000802
44	rno-miR-99a-3p	5.4691	1.5003	-1.8661	0.049114
45	rno-miR-411-5p	13.514	3.2698	-2.0472	4.17E-06
46	rno-miR-379-5p	31.6637	7.5567	-2.067	1.63E-07
47	rno-miR-300-3p	4.5614	1.0699	-2.092	0.027216
48	rno-miR-127-3p	178.2171	41.3409	-2.108	5.97E-09
49	rno-miR-434-3p	5.6852	1.1114	-2.3548	0.012532
50	rno-miR-136-3p	6.2556	1.1888	-2.3956	0.009609
51	rno-miR-494-3p	3.1062	0.4386	-2.8242	0.041879
52	rno-miR-337-5p	3.2686	0.4128	-2.9852	0.030617
53	rno-miR-134-5p	9.8534	1.0837	-3.1847	0.006719
54	rno-miR-382-5p	2.7582	0.2838	-3.2808	0.016499
55	rno-miR-541-5p	7.6002	0.4386	-4.1151	0.000103
56	rno-miR-6318	0.476	0	-5.5729	0.040156
57	rno-miR-376c-3p	0.6206	0	-5.9556	0.029422
58	rno-miR-369-3p	0.6657	0	-6.0568	0.024472
59	rno-miR-379-3p	0.6862	0	-6.1006	0.021997
60	rno-miR-129-5p	0.7806	0	-6.2865	0.001175
61	rno-miR-124-3p	0.7878	0	-6.2998	0.017929
62	rno-miR-431	0.8276	0	-6.3709	0.000868
63	rno-miR-873-3p	0.9494	0	-6.5689	0.000483
64	rno-miR-325-3p	0.9519	0	-6.5727	0.01378
65	rno-miR-137-3p	1.0415	0	-6.7025	0.000338
66	rno-miR-1193-3p	1.0433	0	-6.705	0.000301
67	rno-miR-433-3p	1.1145	0	-6.8003	0.000205
68	rno-miR-409a-5p	1.3919	0	-7.1209	9.55E-05
69	rno-miR-370-3p	2.5195	0	-7.977	1.17E-06
70	rno-miR-411-3p	2.547	0	-7.9927	9.76E-07

**Table S2 The sequences of miRNAs and siRNAs**

Mimic/inhibitor	Sense: (5'-3')	Antisense: (5'-3')
mimic Negative Control	UUUGUACUACACAAAAGUACUG	CAGUACUUUUGUGUAGUACAAA
rno-miR-1193-3p mimic	UAGGUACCCGUUUUACUAUCC	GGAUAGUAAAACGGGUGACCBA
rno-miR-155-3p mimic	CUCCUACCUGUUAGCAUUAAC	GUUAUGCUALACAGGUAGGAG
rno-miR-291a-3p mimic	AAAGUGCUUCCACUUUGUGUGCC	GGCACACAAAGUGGAAGCACUUU
rno-miR-292-3p mimic	AAGUGCCGCCAGGUUUUGAGUGU	ACACUAAAACCUGGCACUUC
rno-miR-292-5p mimic	ACUAAACUGGGGGCUCUUUUG	CAAAGAGCCCCCAGUUUGAGU
rno-miR-295-3p mimic	AAGUGCUACUACUUUUGGGUGU	ACACCCAAAAGUAGUAGCACUU
rno-miR-370-3p mimic	GCCUGCUGGGGUGGAACCUGGU	ACCAGGUUCCACCCCAGCAGGC
rno-miR-409a-5p mimic	AGGUUACCCGAGCAACUUUGCAU	AUGCAAAGUUGCUCGGUAACCU
rno-miR-411-3p mimic	UAUGUAACACGGGUCCACUAA	UUAGUGGACCGUGUUACAU
rno-miR-433-3p mimic	AUCAUGAUGGGCUCCUCGGUGU	ACACCGAGGAGCCAUCAUGAU
inhibitor Negative Control	CAGUACUUUUGUGUAGUACAAA	-
rno-miR-1193-3p inhibitor	GGAUAGUAAAACGGGUGACCBA	-
rno-miR-155-3p inhibitor	GUUAUGCUALACAGGUAGGAG	-
rno-miR-291a-3p inhibitor	GGCACACAAAGUGGAAGCACUUU	-
rno-miR-292-3p inhibitor	ACACUAAAACCUGGCACUUC	-
rno-miR-292-5p inhibitor	CAAAGAGCCCCCAGUUUGAGU	-
rno-miR-295-3p inhibitor	ACACCCAAAAGUAGUAGCACUU	-
rno-miR-370-3p inhibitor	ACCAGGUUCCACCCCAGCAGGC	-
rno-miR-409a-5p inhibitor	AUGCAAAGUUGCUCGGUAACCU	-
rno-miR-411-3p inhibitor	UUAGUGGACCGUGUUACAU	-
rno-miR-433-3p inhibitor	ACACCGAGGAGCCAUCAUGAU	-
mmu-miR-411-3P agomir	UAUGUAACACGGGUCCACUAAACC	GGUUAGUGGACCGUGUUACAU
agomir Negative Control	UUUGUACUACACAAAAGUACUG	CAGUACUUUUGUGUAGUACAAA
siRNA-Negative Control	UUCUCCGAACGUGUCACGUDdT	ACGUGACACGUUCGGAGAAdTdT
siRNA <i>Mrtfa_001</i>	CCACACUCAUCAAGCAAAGdTdT	CUUUGCUGAUGAGUGUGGdTdT
siRNA <i>Mrtfa_002</i>	UAGUGCCACCUCCAUAUCAdTdT	UGAUUAUGGAGGUGGCACUAdTdT
siRNA <i>Mrtfa_003</i>	CACUACAGAUCGUGAAGGAdTdT	UCCUUCACGAUCUGUAGUGdTdT

**Table S3 The primers of miRNAs**

NO.	primer
miR8002818	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-292-5P RT primer
miR8002820	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-292-3P RT primer
miR8000181	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-291a-3P RT primer
ssD115584401	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-155-3P RT primer
miR8002822	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-295-3P RT primer
miR8000175	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-1193-3P RT primer
miR8002824	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-411-3P RT primer
ssD809230338	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-370-3P RT primer
ssD809230358	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-409a-5P RT primer
ssD809230371	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-433-3P RT primer
ssD0904071008	Bulge-loopTM U6 RT primer
miR8002819	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-292-5P Forward primer
miR8002821	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-292-3P Forward primer
miR8000182	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-291a-3P Forward primer
ssD115584402	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-155-3P Forward primer
miR8002823	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-295-3P Forward primer
miR8000176	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-1193-3P Forward primer
miR8002825	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-411-3P Forward primer
ssD809231030	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-370-3P Forward primer
ssD809231050	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-409a-5P Forward primer
ssD809231063	Bulge-loopTM rno-miR-433-3P Forward primer
ssD089261711	Bulge-loopTM miR-Reverse primer
ssD0904071006	Bulge-loopTM U6 Forward primer
ssD0904071107	Bulge-loopTM U6 Reverse primer

**Table S4 The primer sequences of genes**

Gene	Species	Primer sequence(5'-3')
<i>Col 1a1</i>	Mouse	Forward: GCTCCTCTTAGGGGCCACT Reverse: CCACGTCTCACCATGGGG
<i>Acta2</i>	Mouse	Forward: GACGTACAACCTGGTATTGTG Reverse: TCAGGATCTTCATGAGGTAG
<i>Srf</i>	Mouse	Forward: GGCGCGTGAAAGATCAAGAT Reverse: CACATGGCCTGTCTCACTGG
<i>Mrtfa</i>	Mouse	Forward: GGCCAGGACCGAGGACTATT Reverse: CCACAATGATAGCCTCCTTCAG
<i>Gapdh</i>	Mouse	Forward: CCTGCACCACCAACTGCTTA Reverse: GCCCCCACGGCCATCACGCCA
<i>Col 1a1</i>	Rat	Forward: ACCTCAGGGTATTGCTGGAC Reverse: GACCAAGGAAGCCTCTTCT
<i>Acta2</i>	Rat	Forward: CAATGGCTCCGGCTCTGTA Reverse: CTCTTGCTCTGCGCTTCGTC
<i>Srf</i>	Rat	Forward: GTGGGGAAACCAAGGACACA Reverse: GTTGGTGATGGGAAGGGAGG
<i>Mrtfa</i>	Rat	Forward: CGAACGAGGCGGTTACCATCA Reverse: CGGTTCCATCATTTCGCC
<i>Gapdh</i>	Rat	Forward: GGTGAAGGTGGTGTGAACG Reverse: CTCGCTCCTGGAAGATGGTG

**Table S5 The respiratory parameters of lung function measured by FinePointe WBP**

Respiratory parameters		Unit
<b>f</b>	Respiratory Rate	BPM
<b>TVb</b>	Tidal volume (volume inhaled) estimated from the Box Flow signal. It is equal to the product of the volume measured from the Box Flow and Comp	mL
<b>MVb</b>	Minute volume (the rate of ventilation) estimated from the Box Flow signal. It is equal to the product of the volume measured from the Box Flow, f, and Comp	mL/min
<b>Penh</b>	Index of constriction.	None
<b>PAU</b>	Index of constriction.	None
<b>Rpef</b>	The location into expiration where the peak occurs as a fraction of Te	None
<b>Comp</b>	The factor applied to box flow to estimate animal's flow	None
<b>PIFb</b>	Estimated peak inspiratory flow	mL/s
<b>PEFb</b>	Estimated peak expiratory flow	mL/s
<b>Ti</b>	Inspiratory time	S
<b>Te</b>	Expiratory time	S
<b>EF50</b>	Expiratory flow at 50% expired volume (Uncompensated)	mL/s
<b>EIP</b>	End inspiratory pause. Time it takes to transition from inspiration to expiration	ms
<b>EEP</b>	End expiratory pause. Time it takes to transition from expiration to inspiration	ms
<b>Tr</b>	Relaxation time.	S
<b>TB</b>	Duration of breathing. Percentage of the breath occupied by transitioning from inspiration to expiration	%
<b>TP</b>	Duration of pause before inspiration. Percentage of the breath occupied by transition from expiration to inspiration	%
<b>Tbody</b>	Body temperature. Either assumed or measured using telemetry	C
<b>Tc</b>	Chamber temperature. Either assumed or measured using digital temperature sensor in the chamber	C
<b>RH</b>	Relative humidity. Either assumed or measured using digital humidity sensor in the chamber	%
<b>Rinx</b>	Rejection index. Percentage of breaths rejected before a breath is accepted.	%