

Supplementary Files

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Fig. S1. Expression stability examination of three circulating circRNAs. The circRNA obtained from three healthy controls plasma samples were incubated at room temperature for 12h, 24h or subjecting it to up to 3 cycles of freezing and thawing. Data were presented as plot of the mean with SD. No significant difference was observed in each group.

Table S1. Clinicopathological features of surgical hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), chronic hepatitis (CH) and cancer-free control samples

| | HCC | CH | Control | P value |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| N | 200 | 200 | 200 | |
| Age Mean (SE) year | 55.43(12.4) | 56.89(11.8) | 56.79(11.6) | 0.33^a |
| Sex (male/female) | 160/40 | 157/43 | 162/38 | 0.28^b |
| Differentiation grade | | | | |
| Well | 92 | | | |
| Moderate | 55 | | | |
| Poorly | 53 | | | |
| Tumor Size(cm) | | | | |
| ≤5cm | 109 | | | |
| >5cm | 891 | | | |
| Tumor Number | | | | |
| Solitary | 78 | | | |
| Multiple | 122 | | | |
| Tumor Capsular | | | | |
| Incomplete | 12 | | | |
| Complete | 188 | | | |
| AFP(ng/mL) | 31.3(12.6) | 29.2(10.3) | 20.2(9.2) | 0.032^a |
| TNM stage(I:II:III) | 94: 54: 52 | | | |
| HBV | | | | |
| Yes | 200 | 200 | / | 1.00^b |
| No | 0 | 0 | / | |

^a Student t-test.

^b Chi-square test.

Table S2: Risk score analysis of in hepatocellular carcinoma HCC and cancer-free control plasma samples

| Score | 0-9.734 | 9.734-12.112 | PPV ^a | NPV ^b |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| Training set | | | 0.95 | 0.95 |
| HCC | 1 | 19 | | |
| Control | 19 | 1 | | |
| Validation set | | | 0.80 | 0.95 |
| HCC | 36 | 144 | | |
| Control | 171 | 9 | | |

^a PPV, positive predictive value

^b NPV, negative predictive value

Table S3: Risk score analysis of in hepatocellular carcinoma HCC and CH plasma samples

| Score | 0-6.778 | 6.778-8.332 | PPV ^a | NPV ^b |
|-----------------------|---------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| Training set | | | 0.90 | 0.95 |
| HCC | 2 | 18 | | |
| CH | 19 | 1 | | |
| Validation set | | | 0.84 | 0.80 |
| HCC | 29 | 151 | | |
| CH | 144 | 36 | | |

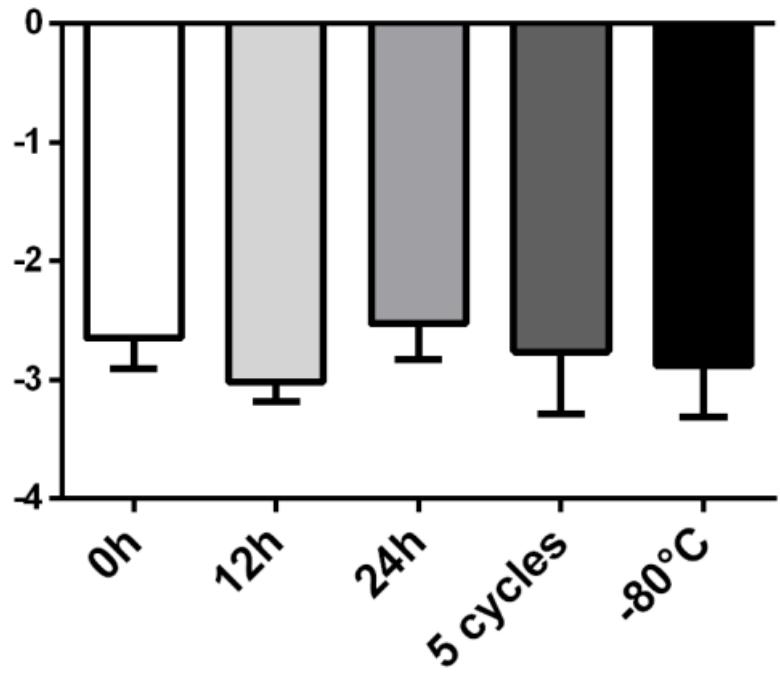
^a PPV, positive predictive value

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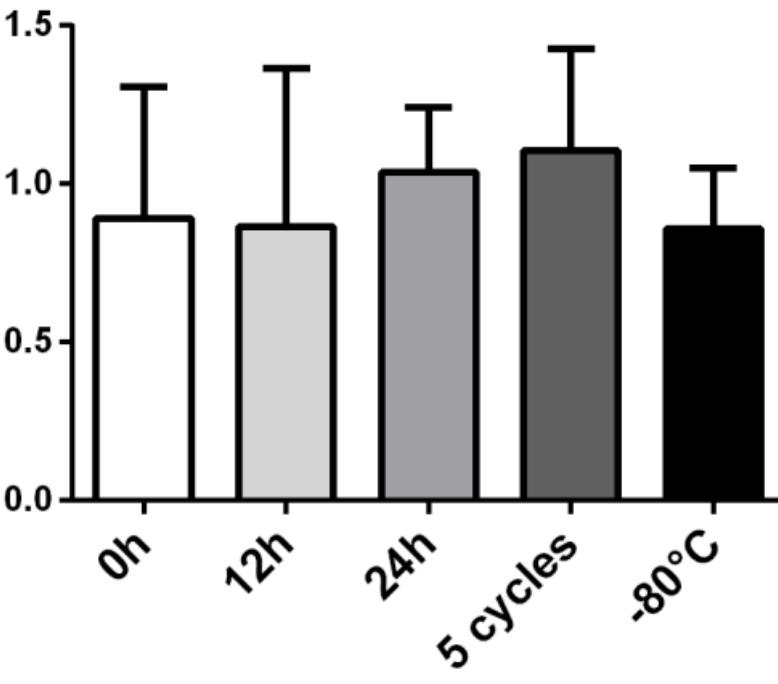
Table S4. Primers for Quantitative RT- PCR

| Gene name | All Patients | Sequence |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| circ_0015138 | Forward Primer | TGCAGAACGTTACCAACAGGCA |
| | Reverse Primer | CTTGGAAAGCCGCAGAGGAGG |
| circ_0125297 | Forward Primer | GGTTAATTGGCAGATCCCAA |
| | Reverse Primer | GCGGTTAAGAACGCGATTAG |
| Circ_0037120 | Forward Primer | TGGGTTCTGATGTTAGTCTT |
| | Reverse Primer | GGCCACGAATTCATGCTAGT |
| Circ_0009582 | Forward Primer | GAGTGGTGTATCCCGAGAG |
| | Reverse Primer | GGGAATTGGTCATCATGCG |
| Circ_0140117 | Forward Primer | GACGACATTCACCTCG |
| | Reverse Primer | CCCATTGACAGCTTGGAT |
| GAPDH | Forward Primer | GGAGCGAGATCCCTCCAAAAT |
| | Reverse Primer | GGCTGTTGTCATACTTCTCATGG |

Relative expression of circ_0009582



Relative expression of circ_0037120



Relative expression level circ_0140117

