

## *Supplementary Material*

### **1 Supplementary Data**

#### ***1. Study Subject***

All the subjects of this study signed an informed consent form and are voluntary participants. As shown in the STROBE (Supplemental Figure 1), a cohort of 72 patients, were prospectively recruited between March 11<sup>th</sup> 2016 and February 10<sup>th</sup> 2020. The participants were divided into two groups: 28 healthy volunteers without diagnosed coronary disease and 44 who underwent coronary artery angiography at the University Hospital “Virgen del Rocio” of Seville and were diagnosed with STEMI and treated with PPCI. Clinical and demographical information were collected at the admission in the hospital and during each follow-up visit, scheduled at 1 and 6 months after the hospital discharge. In the STEMI group 4 patients (9.09%) died from adverse cardiovascular events, 2 missed the follow-up, and 38 (86.36%) completed the 6-months follow-up until September 2020.

The inclusion criteria were: age less than 75 years; patients with STEMI due to occlusion of the left descending artery with an epicardial blood flow TIMI (Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction) grade 0-1 in the initial angiogram treated with PPCI, with the onset of symptoms less than 12 hours before the angioplasty. Patients with ischemic heart disease history, a <30 ml/min glomerular filtration rate, and a TIMI flow grade over 1 were excluded.

All the patients were selected for a primary percutaneous coronary intervention through the right radial artery (100% of the STEMI patients). The procedure was performed, at the beginning of the intervention, with the administration of a heparin bolus of 10,000 units. Judkins large-lumen guiding catheter and guidewire were used. Coronary arteries were visualized using angiogram. Before accessing through the radial artery, palmar arch good circulation was confirmed to avoid hand ischemia. After that, a manual thrombus aspiration was systematically performed. To implant the stent the guidewire was appropriately positioned in the stenotic segment of the coronary artery; the balloon was later expanded and the stent was delivered in the corresponding position, relieving the stenosis. All patients in this study were treated with drug-eluting coronary stents with antiproliferative effects. After the intervention all the patients had a TIMI 3, meaning totally blood flow recovery. During the period at the hospital and before patient discharge, 100% of the patients were treated with an oral anticoagulant (aspirin) for 2 months, and antiaggregant (clopidogrel) for 6 months

#### ***2. Echocardiographic studies***

Before patient discharge (72 hours post-STEMI) and 6 months after PPCI procedure, an echocardiography was completed to measure left ventricular ejection fraction (EF) systolic and diastolic left ventricular diameters and volumes in order to evaluate the development of left ventricular adverse remodelling (LVAR). A non-invasive ultrasound scan was performed to analyze cardiac volumes and function. The study was carried out with an iE33 (Philips, Amsterdam, Netherlands) echo system with images recorded in DICOM format at the Xcelera station for analysis. Dynamic sequences of three consecutive heartbeats were acquired with image optimization in 2D and doppler-color in several views: pure long axis parasternal, short axis parasternal at mitral valve level, papillary muscles and apex. Moreover, plane apical 2, 3, 4 and 5 chambers views were acquired to visualize segmental

contractility defects and to calculate left ventricle ejection fraction, and end-diastolic and end-systolic left ventricle volume (Simpson 4C) (1). Subcostal view was acquired to visualize the inferior vena cava and the pericardial effusion. Continuous or pulsed Doppler (as appropriate) at aortic valve level and left ventricular outflow tract (LVOT), mitral filling, pulmonary veins, tricuspid filling and pulmonary valve were routinely evaluated. In case of valve insufficiency, appropriate measurements were made as established in valvulopathies clinical practice guidelines(2). Pulse Doppler and tissue Doppler in mitral septal and lateral ring were measured to estimate diastolic function and end-diastolic left ventricle pressure. Tricuspid annular systolic displacement (TAPSE) was used to calculate right ventricular systolic function, and tricuspid regurgitation was used to estimate pulmonary artery pressure.

Patients with an increase > 20% in left ventricular end-diastolic volume (LVEDV) and a left ventricular ejection fraction less than 50% were considered as LVAR patients, according to current clinical indications (3,4).

### ***3. Blood samples: extraction and preparation***

Before initiation of the PPCI procedure, patients' blood samples were extracted after catheter insertion in the radial or femoral arteries. These samples represented the time point before revascularization (0h). Moreover, we collected additional blood samples at 6-12 h after culprit vessel opening at 1 and 6 months after the ischemic event. We obtained serum from the blood samples collected without antiserum (in BD Vacutainer® SST™ II Advance tubes; Becton, Dickinson and Company, NJ, USA) using centrifugation at 2500 rpm at 4°C for 15 minutes. Fresh peripheral blood samples were collected into ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA)-coated tubes (BD Vacutainer® K2E; Becton, Dickinson and Company, NJ, USA) and processed within 6h post- collection. From these tubes, 100 µl of blood were incubated with 10 µl of CD11b (APC conjugated, BD Pharmingen™ APC Mouse Anti-Human CD11b/Mac-1 clon ICRF; BD Pharmingen, CA, USA), 10 µl of CD14 (FITC conjugated, BD Pharmingen™ FITC Mouse Anti-Human CD14 clon M5E2; BD Pharmingen, CA, USA), 10 µl of CD16 (PE conjugated, BD Pharmingen™ PE Mouse Anti-Human CD16 clon 3G8; BD Pharmingen, CA, USA) and 2.5 µl of CD66b (PerCP-Cy5 Tandem dye conjugated, BD Pharmingen™ PerCP-Cy5.5 Mouse Anti-Human CD66b clon G10F5; BD Pharmingen, CA, USA) during 30 minutes at room temperature (RT) protected from the light. Red blood cells were then lysed with 2 ml of a 10-fold dilution of BD FACST™ Lysing Solution 10X Concentrate (BD Biosciences, NJ, USA) with distilled water. After 10 min at RT, the resulting cell suspension was washed with phosphate-buffered saline (PBS 1X; GIBCO, Paisley, UK) and centrifuged at 1800 rpm during 8 min. The pellet was resuspended in 300 µl of PBS 1X and then analysed with flow cytometry.

### ***4. Flow Cytometry***

Blood samples were acquired immediately after the staining protocol in a Canto II flow cytometer (BD Biosciences, NJ, USA) with three lasers (405 nm 30mW, 488 nm 20mW, 640 nm 17 mW). The FACSDiva software 8.0 (BD Biosciences, NJ, USA) was used for sample acquisitions and analysis. We analysed the inflammatory cell populations: neutrophils (CD16++CD66b+), eosinophils (CD16+CD66b-) and monocyte subsets. Monocyte subgroups were classified as CD14++/CD16- (classical), CD14++/CD16+ (intermediate), and CD14+ /CD16++ (non-classical) and absolute counts (expressed as number of cells/µl) were calculated by multiplying the percentage of each subset by the leucocyte counts of each patient.

## ***5. Study of the cytokine profile in patients' serum***

We evaluated the level of 27 cytokines (FGF basic, Eotaxina, G-CSF, GM-CSF, IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-1  $\beta$ , IL-1ra, IL-2, IL-4, IL-5, IL-6, IL-7, IL-8, IL-9, IL-10, IL-12, IL-13, IL-15, IL-17, IP-10, MCP-1, MIP-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$ , PDGF-BB, RANTES, TNF- $\alpha$ , VEGF) in serum using the Bio-Plex Pro™ Human Cytokine 27-plex Assay kit (Bio-Rad, CA, USA) following the manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, we added 40  $\mu$ l of patients' serum diluted in 120  $\mu$ l of sample diluent included in the kit into a 96-well plate. The well washing was made by the 10-fold dilution of 10X Magnetic Beads Bio-Plex™ (Bio-Rad, CA, USA) and the magnetic holder Bio-Plex Pro™ washstation (Bio-Rad, CA, USA). Finally, the 96-well fluorescence was measured on the Bio-Plex® 200 System (Bio-Rad, CA, USA) and analysed with the software Bio-Plex Systems 100 (Bio-Rad, CA, USA).

Next, we checked the levels of IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-1 $\beta$ , VEGF and IL-17A in patients' serum using ELISA kits. Thus, levels of IFN- $\gamma$  were measured using the solid-phase sandwich IFN- $\gamma$  Human ELISA Kit (BMS228; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The assay range was 1.6-100 pg/mL. The minimal detectable concentration was 0.99 pg/mL with an intra-assay coefficient of variation (CV) of 4.5% and interassay 5.7%. Serum levels of IL-1 $\beta$  were detected using the solid-phase sandwich IL-1 $\beta$  Human ELISA Kit (BMS224-2; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The assay range was 3.9-250 pg/mL. The minimal detectable concentration was 0.3 pg/mL with an intra-assay CV of 5.1% and interassay 8.6%. Next, levels of VEGF were measured using the solid-phase sandwich VEGF-A Human ELISA Kit (BMS277-2; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The assay range was 15.6-1000 pg/mL. The minimal detectable concentration was 7.9 pg/mL with an CV of 6.2% and interassay 4.3%. Finally, serum levels of IL-17 were detected using the solid-phase sandwich IL-17A Human ELISA Kit (BMS2017; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) according to the manufacturer's protocol. The assay range was 1.6-100 pg/mL. The minimal detectable concentration was 0.5 pg/mL with an intra-assay CV of 7.1% and interassay 9.1%. All ELISAs were done in 96-well plate and were measured on the microplate reader CLARIOstar Plus (BMG LabtechOrtenberg, Germany).

## ***6. RNA extraction and quantification***

RNA extraction was done using mirVana™ miRNA Isolation Kit (Life Technologies, Grand Island, NY, US) to extract small RNAs from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) following manufacturer's instruction. Briefly, after a low-speed centrifugation, PBMCs were washed with PBS 1X and lysed in Lysis/Binding solution supplied with the kit. Then, Acid-Phenol:Chloroform (ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) were added to the lysate. After purification steps, RNA were eluted in 60  $\mu$ l of RNase-free water. Finally, PBMCs' RNA was measured using Qubit miRNA assay kit (ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) and fluorometric quantification (Qubit™ Scientific; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US).

## ***7. miRNA Arrays Analysis***

The total RNA was labeled using the FlashTag® Biotin HSR labeling Kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.) following instructions supplied in the user manual, and we used GeneChip® miRNA 4.0 arrays (ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) to analysis miRNAs. Washing, staining (GeneChip® Fluidics Station 450; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US), and scanning (GeneChip® Scanner 3000; ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US) were done following manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, importing CEL file, the analysis of miRNA level RMA+DABG-All

and the exporting of the results were done using Transcriptome Analysis Console (TAC) 4.0 software (ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US). A comparative analysis between LVAR patients, non-LVAR patients and controls samples was carried out using fold-change of over  $\pm 2.5$  and an ANOVA analysis with a p-value  $< 0.05$ . Hierarchical clustering was performed using complete linkage and Euclidean distance as a measure of similarity for the differentially expressed with TAC 4.0 software.

### **8. RT-Real time PCR analysis (miRNA expression assay)**

We obtained cDNA from 1  $\mu$ g of small RNAs using miScript II RT Kit (QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany) and cDNA product was diluted up to 1:10. qPCR was performed in a FrameStar 384 Well PCR Plate (4titude, BIOKé, Leiden, the Netherlands). PCR mix included 10X universal primer (included in miScript SYBR Green PCR Kit; QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany), SYBR Green reactive (iTaq™ Universal SYBR Green Supermix; Biorad, CA, USA) and specific oligos for each miRNAs: miScript Primer Assay Hs\_miR\_16\_2 (5'-UAGCAGCACGUAAAUAUUGGCG-3'), Hs\_miR-21-5p (5'-UAGCUUAUCAGACUGAUGUUGA-3') and Hs\_miR\_29a-3p (5'-UAGCACCAUCUGAAAUCGGUUA-3') (QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany), and Hs\_Snord95 (QIAGEN, Hilden, Germany). qRT-PCR were performed on the Applied Biosystems Viia7 Real-Time PCR System (ThermoFisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, US). The thermal cycling conditions were as follows: 95°C for 20s followed by 45 cycles of 95°C for 1 s and 60°C for 20s. Expression data were calculated like Log of Fold change in logarithmic scale obtained with the comparative cycle threshold CT ( $\Delta\Delta$ CT) method, using Hs\_Snord95 as endogenous control.

### **9. In silico targeted gene searching**

In order to identify miRNAs targets gene of inflammatory pathways and biological processes, we performed an analysis using the Gene Ontology (GO) browser PANTHER (Protein Analysis THrough Evolutionary Relationships, Version 15.0, <http://pantherdb.org/genelistanalysis.do>).

### **10. Statistical analysis**

Statistical analyses were performed using SPSS (SPSS Inc. version 25.0 IBM, Armonk, NY, USA) and GraphPad (GraphPad Software Inc., San Diego, CA, USA). Data are expressed as means  $\pm$  standard error of the means (SEM). We removed the outliers and determined the normality of the distributions using GraphPad. For Gaussian distributions, we did an ordinary One-way ANOVA where we compared all the groups between them (Fisher's LSD test). For nonparametric distributions, we used the Kruskal–Wallis test with multiple comparisons corrected by Dunn's test. Multivariate regression analysis was conducted using SPSS. LVAR was selected as the binary dependent variable and creatine kinase (CK), troponin-T, sex, age, and classical and intermediate monocytes as the covariates for the adjustment. Linear regression analysis was performed using the level of monocytes and the percentage of change in LVEDV as independent and dependent variable, respectively.

In order to categorize a multi panel for LVAR detection, we stratified STEMI patients according to the level of intermediate monocytes, four cytokines and the expression of miRNAs. The level of each biomarker was divided in 4 ranges and each range had a score value from 1 to 4 assigned. The

total score was made by the sum of the score reached by each biomarker, (see below algorithm and Supplemental Table 3). In this categorization, the linear combination of intermediate monocytes levels (in cells/ $\mu$ l), the level of secretion for cytokines (in pg/ml) and  $\log_{10}$  fold change values for miRNAs were used to calculate the prediction score, where the higher the score, the higher the likelihood for the patient to develop LVAR. To evaluate the specificity and accuracy of the different biomarkers to predict the appearance of LVAR in revascularized STEMI patients, we used the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve.

#### 11. Score algorithm

$$Total\ Score = \sum (Score\ CK + Score\ TnT + Score\ int\ monocytes + Score\ VEGF + Score\ miRNAs)$$

$$Score\ CK = Score\ Creatine\ Kinase\ (0h)$$

$$Score\ TnT = Score\ Troponin - T\ (0h)$$

$$Score\ int\ monocytes = Score\ Intermediate\ Monocytes$$

$$Score\ VEGF = Score\ VEGF$$

$$Score\ miRNAs = \sum (Score\ miR16 + Score\ miRNA21 + Score\ miR29)$$

$$k = \frac{Maximum - Minimum}{4}$$

$$Score = 1 \rightarrow Range\ 1 \rightarrow Min \leq x \leq Min + k$$

$$Score = 2 \rightarrow Range\ 2 \rightarrow Min + k \leq x \leq Min + 2k$$

$$Score = 3 \rightarrow Range\ 3 \rightarrow Min + 2k \leq x \leq Min + 3k$$

$$Score = 4 \rightarrow Range\ 4 \rightarrow Min + 3k \leq x \leq Max$$

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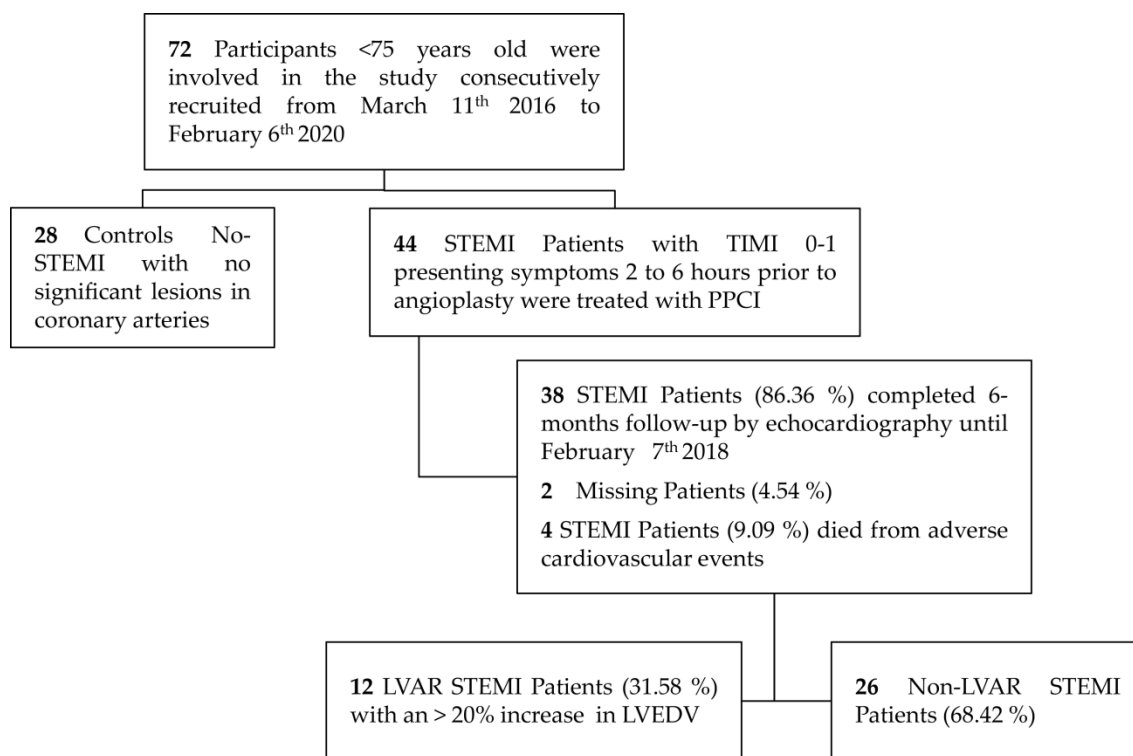
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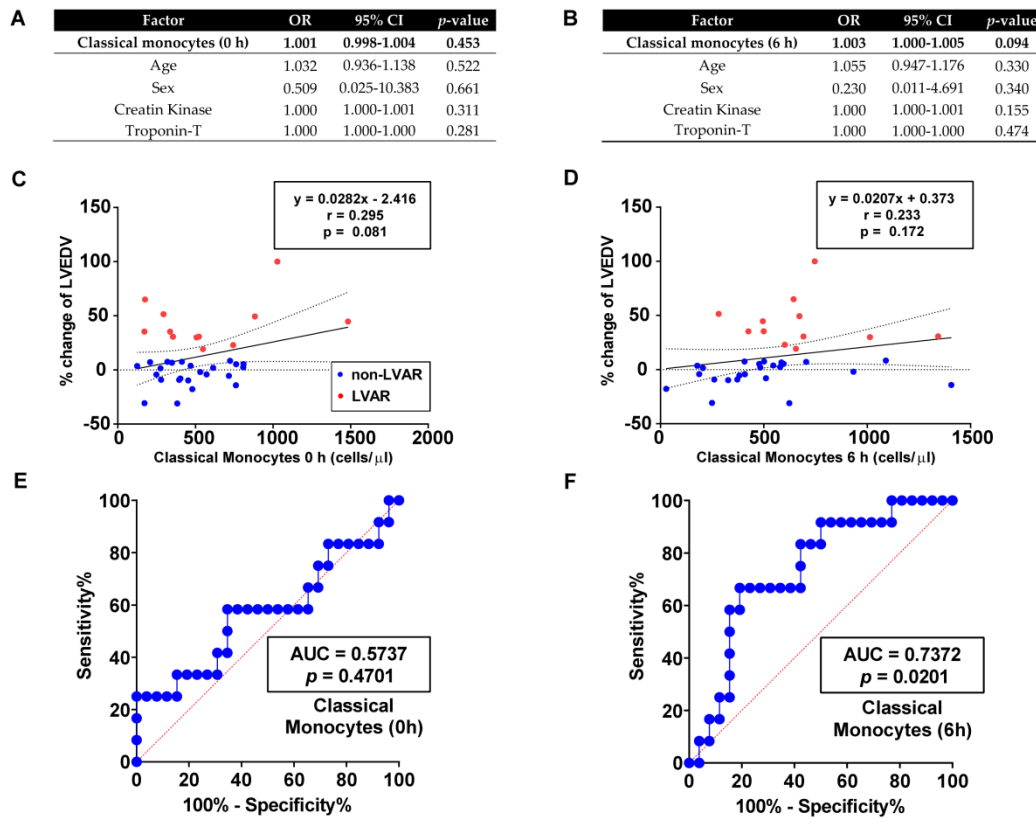
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## 2 Supplementary Figures and Tables

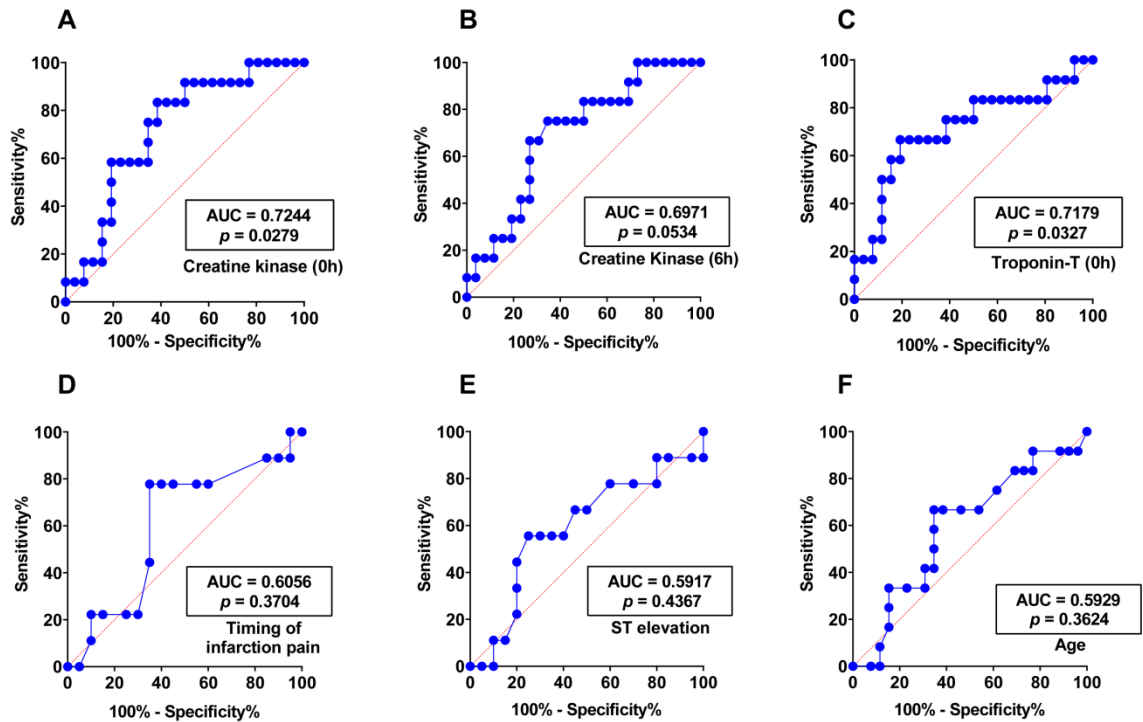
### 2.1 Supplementary Figures



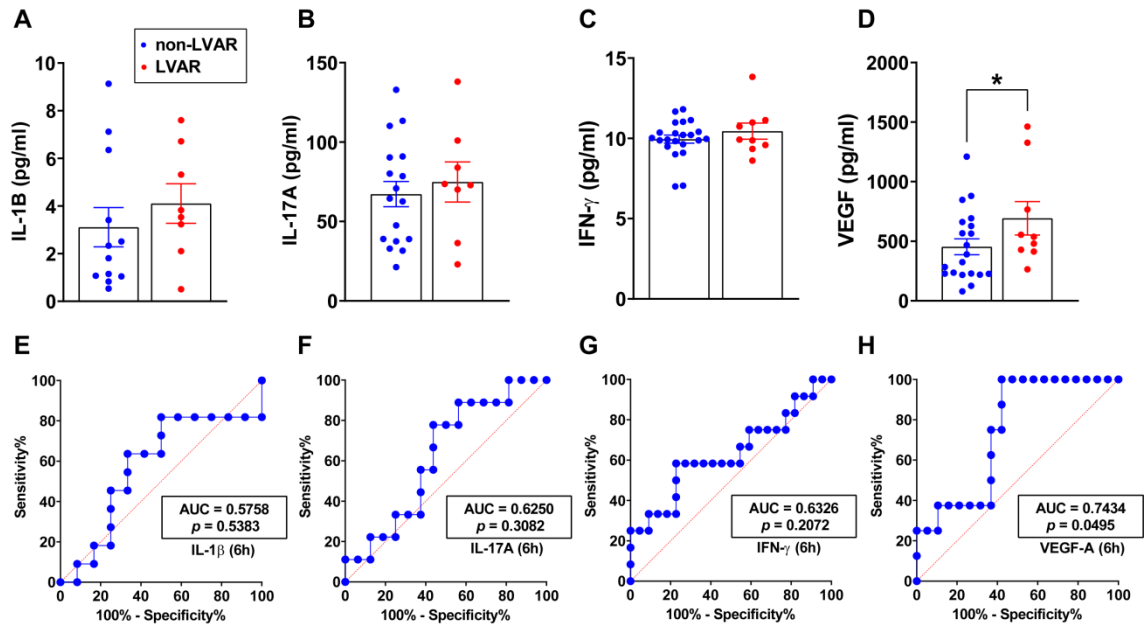
**Supplemental Figure 1. STROBE diagram of the subjects and the study design.** LVAR: Left ventricular adverse remodelling; LVEDV: left ventricular end-diastolic volume; STEMI: ST-segment-elevation myocardial infarction.



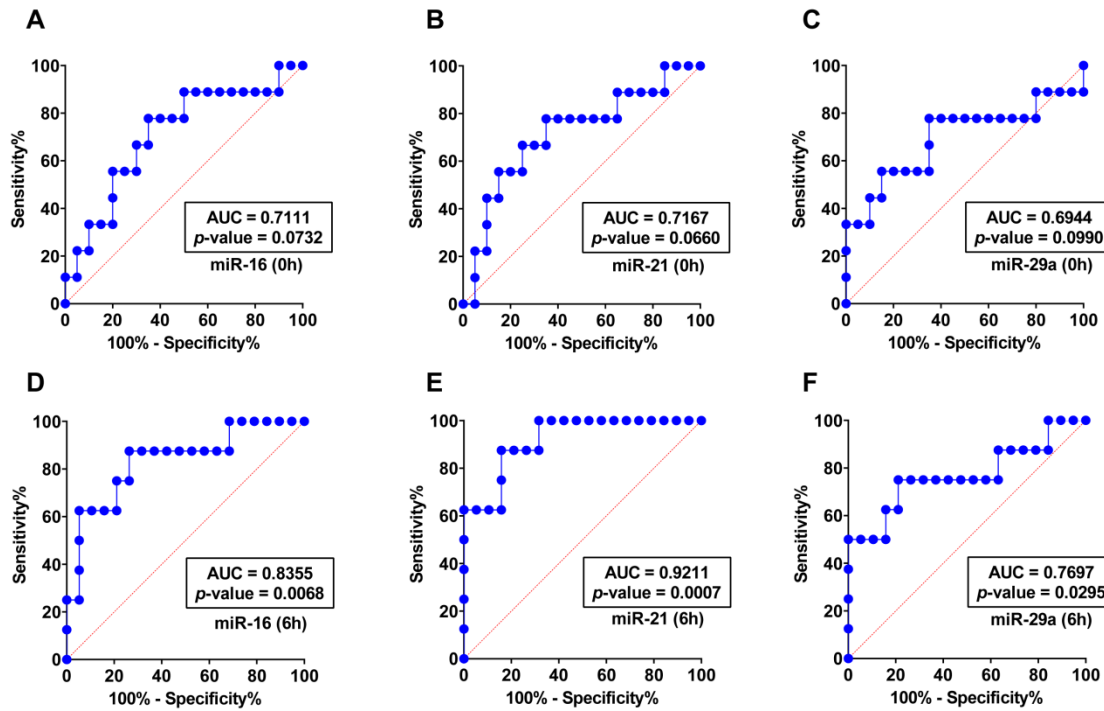
**Supplemental Figure 2. Correlation analysis of the level of classical monocytes with LVAR.** **A, B** Multivariate logistic regressions analysis of classical monocytes measured in PB at 0h (**A**) and 6h (**B**), using age, sex, creatine kinase and troponin-T as cofactors. **C, D** Linear regression curves analysis using the percentage of change in LVEDV of non-LVAR (blue dots, n = 26) and LVAR (red dots, n = 12) patients as dependent variable and classical monocytes level at 0h (**C**) or 6h (**D**) as independent factor. **E, F** ROC analysis with the AUC (values given on the graphs) indicating sensitivity and specificity of level of classical monocytes at 0h (**E**) or 6h (**F**) to predict LVAR. Multivariate logistic regression, linear regression and ROC analysis were performed.  $p < 0.05$  is considered statistically significant. AUC: area under the curve; CI: confidence interval; LVAR: left ventricle adverse remodelling; LVEDV: left ventricular end-diastolic volume; OR: odds ratio; PB: peripheral blood; ROC: Receiver-operating characteristics.



**Supplemental Figure 3. ROC curves analysis comparing sensitivity and specificity of different factors as predictors of LVAR.** A, F ROC analysis with the AUC (values given on the graphs), indicating sensitivity and specificity of the level of creatine kinase at 0h (A) and 6h (B), troponin-T (C), time of infarction pain (D), percentage of ST elevation in the electrocardiogram (E) and age (F) as predictors of LVAR. ROC analysis was performed.  $p < 0.05$  is considered statistically significant. AUC: area under the curve; LVAR: left ventricle adverse remodelling; ROC: Receiver-operating characteristics.



**Supplemental Figure 4. Levels of pro-inflammatory cytokines in the serum of STEMI patients measured by ELISA.** A, D Bar graphs show level of IL-1 $\beta$  (A), IL-17A (B), IFN- $\gamma$ , (C) and VEGF (D) (pg/ml) in the serum of non-LVAR (n = 19, blue dots) and LVAR (n = 8, red dots) patients, 6h after PPCI. Data are shown as the means  $\pm$  SEM. E-H ROC analysis with the AUC (values given on the graphs), indicating sensitivity and specificity of the level of IL-1 $\beta$  (E), IL-17A (F), IFN- $\gamma$  (G) and VEGF (H) as predictors of LVAR. Mann-Whitney (non-parametric) and T-test (parametric) and ROC analysis were performed. (\*) indicates significance at  $p < 0.05$ . AUC: area under the curve; ELISA: enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay; IFN- $\gamma$ : interferon  $\gamma$ ; IL-1 $\beta$ : interleukin 1 $\beta$ ; IL-17A: interleukin 17A; LVAR: left ventricular adverse remodelling; PPCI: primary percutaneous coronary intervention; ROC: Receiver-operating characteristics; STEMI: ST-segment-elevation myocardial infarction; VEGF: vascular endothelial growth factor.



**Supplemental Figure 5. ROC analysis of miR-16, miR-21 and miR-29a.** A-F ROC analysis with the area under the AUC (values given on the graphs), indicating sensitivity and specificity of the level of expression of miR-16 (A), miR-21 (B), and miR-29a at 0h (C) and at 6h (D, F) as predictors of LVAR. ROC analysis was performed.  $p < 0.05$  is considered statistically significant. AUC: area under the curve; LVAR: left ventricular adverse remodelling; ROC: Receiver-operating characteristics.

## 2.2 Supplementary Tables

| Cytokine<br>(pg/ml)             | 0 hour        |                |                | 6 hours       |              |                | 1 month       |               |                |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                 | Non-LVAR      | LVAR           | <i>p-value</i> | Non-LVAR      | LVAR         | <i>p-value</i> | Non-LVAR      | LVAR          | <i>p-value</i> |
| <b>Eotaxin</b>                  | 73.13±42.50   | 91.25±28.70    | 0.9244         | 80.10±48.86   | 88.45±49.58  | 0.9916         | 94.18±59.00   | 85.72±29.48   | 0.9913         |
| <b>FGF-basic</b>                | 38.73±19.45   | 54.71±20.12    | 0.3838         | 38.95±9.76    | 47.86±36.60  | 0.8003         | 32.95±6.97    | 25.89±9.84    | 0.8878         |
| <b>G-CSF</b>                    | 52.50±20.07   | 70.06±36.91    | 0.5367         | 60.94±22.57   | 82.72±35.76  | 0.3546         | 64.61±11.45   | 11.45±2.32    | 0.8507         |
| <b>GM-CSF</b>                   | 23.70±19.52   | 69.64±23.80    | <b>0.0438*</b> | 12.23±26.52   | 51.45±60.24  | 0.1686         | 13.41±24.12   | 1.49±1.77     | 0.8773         |
| <b>IFN-<math>\gamma</math></b>  | 53.38±20.71   | 96.46±43.41    | 0.3037         | 76.59±38.08   | 164.65±17.75 | <b>0.0193*</b> | 93.72±49.53   | 52.17±27.26   | 0.3051         |
| <b>IL-17</b>                    | 36.85±17.50   | 53.63±49.42    | 0.7356         | 61.87±29.03   | 119.50±0.71  | <b>0.0291*</b> | 64.35±25.04   | 44.23±20.28   | 0.6147         |
| <b>IL-1<math>\beta</math></b>   | 1.10±0.55     | 2.93±2.96      | 0.147          | 2.18±0.79     | 5.74±0.84    | <b>0.005*</b>  | 2.04±1.52     | 1.71±0.34     | 0.9835         |
| <b>IL-1Ra</b>                   | 22.26±14.60   | 75.08±44.15    | 0.4287         | 64.34±91.75   | 68.18±77.28  | 0.9995         | 34.14±33.89   | 32.81±25.17   | >0.9999        |
| <b>IL-4</b>                     | 6.10±2.00     | 7.10±1.87      | 0.9162         | 9.57±2.62     | 10.20±4.26   | 0.9764         | 9.36±2.75     | 8.20±1.71     | 0.8777         |
| <b>IL-8</b>                     | 12.52±6.43    | 12.33±2.08     | >0.9999        | 21.81±15.11   | 18.33±6.66   | 0.9204         | 13.93±3.32    | 16.67±4.93    | 0.9602         |
| <b>IL-9</b>                     | 62.44±20.93   | 64.67±44.38    | 0.9996         | 118.67±41.06  | 108.33±62.14 | 0.9628         | 112.11±30.69  | 84.33±30.01   | 0.5795         |
| <b>IP-10</b>                    | 1033±1106     | 991.33±561.91  | >0.9999        | 1111±1813     | 1209±1112    | 0.999          | 646.44±246.85 | 1135±289.99   | 0.8959         |
| <b>MIP-1<math>\alpha</math></b> | 3.30±1.03     | 4.31±2.22      | 0.563          | 3.35±0.73     | 5.04±3.02    | 0.1569         | 3.95±0.94     | 2.66±0.49     | 0.3638         |
| <b>MIP-1<math>\beta</math></b>  | 142.74±85.86  | 144.82±64.15   | >0.9999        | 224.73±210.45 | 141.46±75.95 | 0.6756         | 126.78±27.22  | 145.98±51.26  | 0.9936         |
| <b>PDGF-BB</b>                  | 593.07±398.74 | 1210.82±855.15 | 0.6756         | 1364±1055     | 2267±1825    | 0.3718         | 1063±818.90   | 870.26±619.44 | 0.9844         |
| <b>TNF-<math>\alpha</math></b>  | 53.50±9.01    | 85.62±38.86    | 0.0503         | 71.64±10.99   | 102.85±48.27 | 0.0593         | 70.47±11.92   | 64.33±15.55   | 0.9506         |
| <b>VEGF</b>                     | 6.35±2.83     | 149.90         | -              | 28.01±16.98   | 94.34±76.91  | <b>0.0108*</b> | 15.09±10.95   | 52.79±36.07   | 0.1705         |

**Supplemental Table 1. Levels of pro-inflammatory cytokines in the serum of STEMI patients measured by Bioplex.** The table shows level of eotaxin, fibroblast growth factor basic (FGF basic), granulocyte colony stimulating factor (G-CSF), granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF), interferon  $\gamma$  (IFN- $\gamma$ ), interleukin 17 (IL-17), interleukin 1 $\beta$  (IL-1 $\beta$ ), interleukin 1 receptor antagonist (IL-1Ra), interleukin 4 (IL-4), interleukin 8 (IL-8), interleukin 9 (IL-9), inducible protein

10 (IP-10), macrophage inflammatory protein 1 $\alpha$  (MIP-1 $\alpha$ ), macrophage inflammatory protein 1 $\beta$  (MIP-1 $\beta$ ), platelet-derived growth factor BB (PDGF-BB), tumor necrosis factor  $\alpha$  (TNF- $\alpha$ ) and vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) (pg/ml) in the serum of patients with LVAR (n=3) or without LVAR (n=10) at 0h, 6h and 1 month after PPCI. Data are shown as the means  $\pm$  SEM. (\*) indicates significance at  $p < 0.05$ . LVAR: left ventricular adverse remodelling; PPCI: primary percutaneous coronary intervention; STEMI: myocardial infarction with ST-segment elevation.

**Non-LVAR 6h vs LVAR 6h**

|                                           | <b>Fold Change</b> | <b>P-value</b> |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| <b>IL-1<math>\beta</math> target of:</b>  |                    |                |
| hsa-miR-21-5p                             | 21,53              | 0,0277         |
| <b>IFN-<math>\gamma</math> target of:</b> |                    |                |
| hsa-miR-16-5p                             | 5,33               | 0,0099         |
| hsa-miR-15a-5p                            | 8,02               | 0,0122         |
| hsa-miR-27b-3p                            | 9,05               | 0,0143         |
| hsa-miR-27a-3p                            | 6,07               | 0,0257         |
| hsa-miR-29a-3p                            | 5,36               | 0,041          |
| <b>VEGF-A target of:</b>                  |                    |                |
| hsa-miR-140-5p                            | 4,05               | 0,0019         |
| hsa-miR-20a-5p                            | 10,9               | 0,0075         |
| hsa-miR-93-5p                             | 2,14               | 0,01           |
| hsa-miR-20b-5p                            | 6,82               | 0,01           |
| hsa-miR-503-5p                            | 4,1                | 0,0116         |
| hsa-miR-15a-5p                            | 8,02               | 0,0122         |
| hsa-miR-126-3p                            | 8,44               | 0,0141         |
| hsa-miR-195-5p                            | 5,01               | 0,0186         |
| hsa-miR-106a-5p                           | 6,02               | 0,0258         |
| hsa-miR-185-5p                            | 7,06               | 0,0284         |

|                 |      |        |
|-----------------|------|--------|
| hsa-miR-17-5p   | 4,92 | 0,0303 |
| hsa-miR-107     | 4,52 | 0,0351 |
| hsa-miR-29a-3p  | 5,36 | 0,041  |
| hsa-miR-106b-5p | 7,81 | 0,0446 |

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**Supplemental table 2. Microarray list of miRNAs targeting IL-1 $\beta$ , IFN- $\gamma$  and VEGF-A genes.** *In silico* analysis of cytokines miRNAs targets analysed in the study by ELISA. miRNAs fold change regulating the expression of the pro-inflammatory cytokines in non-LVAR compared to LVAR patients, 6 hours post-PPCI is shown. ELISA: enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay; IFN- $\gamma$ : interferon  $\gamma$ ; IL-1 $\beta$ : interleukin 1 $\beta$ ; LVAR: left ventricular adverse remodelling; miRNAs: microRNAs; PPCI: primary percutaneous coronary intervention; VEGF: vascular endothelial growth factor.

| microRNA  | Gene ID                                                               | Gene symbol | Gene name                                                                                            | Pathway |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| miR-16-5p | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=393 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=Q9Y243</a>   | AKT3        | RAC-gamma serine/threonine-protein kinase                                                            |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9605 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=P35354</a>  | PTGS2       | Prostaglandin G/H synthase 2                                                                         |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=5438 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=P01579</a>  | IFNG        | Interferon gamma                                                                                     |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=23366 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=Q9BPX5</a> | ARPC5L      | Actin-related protein 2/3 complex subunit 5-like protein                                             |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=144 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=P63261</a>   | ACTG1       | Actin, cytoplasmic 2                                                                                 |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=6180 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=Q14643</a>  | ITPR1       | Inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate receptor type 1                                                         |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9588 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=P60484</a>  | TEP1        | Phosphatidylinositol 3,4,5-trisphosphate 3-phosphatase and dual-specificity protein phosphatase PTEN |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=6859 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=O43318</a>  | MAP3K7      | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 7                                                     |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1497 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=O14936</a>  | CASK        | Peripheral plasma membrane protein CASK                                                              |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=6407 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=P01116</a>  | KRAS        | GTPase KRas                                                                                          |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=19663 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=Q9UBI6</a> | GNG12       | Guanine nucleotide-binding protein G(I)/G(S)/G(O) subunit gamma-12                                   |         |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=16852 </a><br><a href="#">UniProtKB=O75159</a> | SOCS5       | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 5                                                                   |         |

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|--|-----------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=7794</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P19838</u>  | NFKB1  | Nuclear factor NF-kappa-B<br>p105 subunit                                |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1463</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q13555</u>  | CAMK2G | Calcium/calmodulin-<br>dependent protein kinase<br>type II subunit gamma |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=4566</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P62993</u>  | GRB2   | Growth factor receptor-<br>bound protein 2                               |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=9829</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P04049</u>  | RAF1   | RAF proto-oncogene<br>serine/threonine-protein<br>kinase                 |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=8591</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q13177</u>  | PAK2   | Serine/threonine-protein<br>kinase PAK 2                                 |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6192</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O60674</u>  | JAK2   | Tyrosine-protein kinase<br>JAK2                                          |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6137</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P17301</u>  | ITGA2  | Integrin alpha-2                                                         |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=132</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P60709</u>   | ACTB   | Actin, cytoplasmic 1                                                     |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6204</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P05412</u>  | JUN    | Transcription factor AP-1                                                |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=9954</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q04864</u>  | REL    | Proto-oncogene c-Rel                                                     |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1974</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O15111</u>  | CHUK   | Inhibitor of nuclear factor<br>kappa-B kinase subunit<br>alpha           |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1683</u><br><u>3 UniProtKB=O14544</u> | SOCS4  | Suppressor of cytokine<br>signaling 6                                    |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1061</u><br><u>9 UniProtKB=P78556</u> | CCL20  | C-C motif chemokine 20                                                   |
|  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=9401</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q02156</u>  | PRKCE  | Protein kinase C epsilon<br>type                                         |

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|-----------|------------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| miR-21-5p | <u>HUMAN HGNC=10637 UniProtKB=P02778</u> | CXCL10 | C-X-C motif chemokine 10                                                                             | INFLAMMATION<br>MEDIATED BY<br>CHEMOKINE<br>AND CYTOKINE<br>SIGNALING<br>PATHWAY |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=19392 UniProtKB=Q8WXH5</u> | SOCS4  | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 4                                                                   |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=4390 UniProtKB=P50148</u>  | GNAQ   | Guanine nucleotide-binding protein G(q) subunit alpha                                                |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=9588 UniProtKB=P60484</u>  | PTEN   | Phosphatidylinositol 3,4,5-trisphosphate 3-phosphatase and dual-specificity protein phosphatase PTEN |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=11364 UniProtKB=P40763</u> | STAT3  | Signal transducer and activator of transcription 3                                                   |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=392 UniProtKB=P31751</u>   | AKT2   | RAC-beta serine/threonine-protein kinase                                                             |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=5992 UniProtKB=P01584</u>  | IL1B   | Interleukin-1 beta                                                                                   |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1608 UniProtKB=P32248</u>  | CCR7   | C-C chemokine receptor type 7                                                                        |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=16852 UniProtKB=O75159</u> | SOCS5  | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 5                                                                   |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=130 UniProtKB=P62736</u>   | ACTA2  | Actin, aortic smooth muscle                                                                          |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=7794 UniProtKB=P19838</u>  | NFKB1  | Nuclear factor NF-kappa-B p105 subunit                                                               |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=7774 UniProtKB=O94916</u>  | NFAT5  | Nuclear factor of activated T-cells 5                                                                |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1602 UniProtKB=P32246</u>  | CCR1   | C-C chemokine receptor type 1                                                                        |                                                                                  |
|           | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1607 UniProtKB=P51684</u>  | CCR6   | C-C chemokine receptor type 6                                                                        |                                                                                  |

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| miR-29a-3p | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1461</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q13554</a> | CAMK2B | Calcium/calmodulin-dependent protein kinase type II subunit beta                                     |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=393</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q9Y243</a>  | AKT3   | RAC-gamma serine/threonine-protein kinase                                                            |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=6155</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P05107</a> | ITGB2  | Integrin beta-2                                                                                      |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1612</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=O00421</a> | CCR6   | C-C chemokine receptor-like 2                                                                        |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=5965</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q08334</a> | IL10RB | Interleukin-10 receptor subunit beta                                                                 |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=5438</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P01579</a> | IFNG   | Interferon gamma                                                                                     |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9954</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q04864</a> | REL    | Proto-oncogene c-Rel                                                                                 |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=2213</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P12111</a> | COL6A3 | Collagen alpha-3(VI) chain                                                                           |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9991</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q08116</a> | RGS1   | Regulator of G-protein signaling 1                                                                   |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=236</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=O95622</a>  | ADCY5  | Adenylate cyclase type 5                                                                             |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=7776</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q13469</a> | NFATC2 | Nuclear factor of activated T-cells, cytoplasmic 2                                                   |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9588</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P60484</a> | PTEN   | Phosphatidylinositol 3,4,5-trisphosphate 3-phosphatase and dual-specificity protein phosphatase PTEN |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=392</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P31751</a>  | AKT2   | RAC-beta serine/threonine-protein kinase                                                             |
|            | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=2212</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P12110</a> | COL6A2 | Collagen alpha-2(VI) chain                                                                           |

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|------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=1736</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P60953</u>  | CDC42     | Cell division control protein 42 homolog         |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=708</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O15511</u>   | ARPC5     | Actin-related protein 2/3 complex subunit 5      |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=436</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P20292</u>   | ALOX5AP   | Arachidonate 5-lipoxygenase-activating protein   |                                    |
| miR-16-5p  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=5438</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P01579</u>  | IFNG      | Interferon gamma                                 | INTERFERON-GAMMA SIGNALING PATHWAY |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=19382</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O14508</u> | SOCS2     | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 2               |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=16852</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O75159</u> | SOCS5     | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 5               |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6192</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O60674</u>  | JAK2      | Tyrosine-protein kinase JAK2                     |                                    |
| miR-21-5p  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=16833</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O14544</u> | SOCS4     | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 6               |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=19392</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q8WXH5</u> | SOCS4     | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 4               |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=16852</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O75159</u> | SOCS5     | Suppressor of cytokine signaling 5               |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=16861</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q9Y6X2</u> | PIAS3     | E3 SUMO-protein ligase PIAS3                     |                                    |
| miR-29a-3p | <u>HUMAN HGNC=5438</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P01579</u>  | IFNG      | Interferon gamma                                 |                                    |
| miR-16-5p  | <u>HUMAN HGNC=3326</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P28324</u>  | ELK4      | ETS domain-containing protein Elk-4              | INTERLEUKIN SIGNALING PATHWAY      |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6859</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O43318</u>  | MAP3K7    | Mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase kinase 7 |                                    |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6887</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P49137</u>  | MAPKAP K2 | MAP kinase-activated protein kinase 2            |                                    |

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|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=7553</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P01106</a>  | MYC     | Myc proto-oncogene protein                               |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=4566</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P62993</a>  | GRB2    | Growth factor receptor-bound protein 2                   |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=9829</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P04049</a>  | RAF1    | RAF proto-oncogene serine/threonine-protein kinase       |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=3942</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P42345</a>  | MTOR    | Serine/threonine-protein kinase mTOR                     |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=10432</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P51812</a> | RPS6KA3 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-3                      |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1784</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P38936</a>  | CDKN1A  | Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 1                      |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=4617</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P49841</a>  | GSK3B   | Glycogen synthase kinase-3 beta                          |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1974</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=O15111</a>  | CHUK    | Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase subunit alpha |
| miR-21-5p | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=7111</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=Q9HBH9</a>  | MKNK2   | MAP kinase-interacting serine/threonine-protein kinase 2 |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=10432</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P51812</a> | RPS6KA3 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-3                      |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=1784</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P38936</a>  | CDKN1A  | Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor 1                      |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=3821</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=O43524</a>  | FOXO3   | Forkhead box protein O3                                  |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=11364</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P40763</a> | STAT3   | Signal transducer and activator of transcription 3       |
|           | <a href="#">HUMAN HGNC=392</a><br><a href="#"> UniProtKB=P31751</a>   | AKT2    | RAC-beta serine/threonine-protein kinase                 |

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|------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------------|
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=7553</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P01106</u>  | MYC     | Myc proto-oncogene protein                |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=9871</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P20936</u>  | RASA1   | Ras GTPase-activating protein 1           |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=6019</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P08887</u>  | IL6R    | Interleukin-6 receptor subunit alpha      |
| miR-29a-3p | <u>HUMAN HGNC=393</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q9Y243</u>   | AKT3    | RAC-gamma serine/threonine-protein kinase |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=5965</u><br><u> UniProtKB=Q08334</u>  | IL10RB  | Interleukin-10 receptor subunit beta      |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=10432</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P51812</u> | RPS6KA3 | Ribosomal protein S6 kinase alpha-3       |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=3821</u><br><u> UniProtKB=O43524</u>  | FOXO3   | Forkhead box protein O3                   |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=392</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P31751</u>   | AKT2    | RAC-beta serine/threonine-protein kinase  |
|            | <u>HUMAN HGNC=3796</u><br><u> UniProtKB=P01100</u>  | FOS     | Proto-oncogene c-Fos                      |

**Supplemental Table 3. *In silico* target genes analysis of miR-16, miR-21 and miR-29a.** Genes related to inflammation pathway are shown.

|               |                                               | SCORE RANGE         |                     |                     |                      |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Score         |                                               | 1                   | 2                   | 3                   | 4                    |
| CK            | Creatine kinase<br>0h (mg/dL)                 | <i>from</i> 271.00  | <i>from</i> 2071.26 | <i>from</i> 3871.51 | <i>from</i> 5671.76  |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> 2071.25   | <i>to</i> 3871.50   | <i>to</i> 5671.75   | <i>to</i> 7472.00    |
| TnT           | Troponin-T 0h<br>(ng/mL)                      | <i>from</i> 1376.00 | <i>from</i> 5276.76 | <i>from</i> 9177.51 | <i>from</i> 13078.26 |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> 5276.75   | <i>to</i> 9177.50   | <i>to</i> 13078.25  | <i>to</i> 16979.00   |
| VEGF          | VEGF<br>(pg/ml)                               | <i>from</i> 78.75   | <i>from</i> 337.40  | <i>from</i> 683.26  | <i>from</i> 1029.11  |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> 337.39    | <i>to</i> 683.25    | <i>to</i> 1029.10   | <i>to</i> 1374.96    |
| Int Monocytes | Intermediate<br>Monocytes<br>(cells/ $\mu$ L) | <i>from</i> 24.11   | <i>from</i> 102.02  | <i>from</i> 179.92  | <i>from</i> 257.82   |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> 102.01    | <i>to</i> 179.91    | <i>to</i> 257.81    | <i>to</i> 335.72     |
| miRNAs        | Hsa-miR-16-5p<br>(log Fold<br>Change)         | <i>from</i> -0.7784 | <i>from</i> -0.1587 | <i>from</i> 0.4614  | <i>from</i> 1.0813   |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> -0.1586   | <i>to</i> 0.4613    | <i>to</i> 1.0812    | <i>to</i> 1.7010     |
|               | Hsa-miR-21-5p<br>(log Fold<br>Change)         | <i>from</i> -1.0658 | <i>from</i> -0.5205 | <i>from</i> 0.0251  | <i>from</i> 0.5705   |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> -0.5204   | <i>to</i> 0.0250    | <i>to</i> 0.5704    | <i>to</i> 1.1159     |
|               | Hsa-miR-29a-3p<br>(log Fold<br>Change)        | <i>from</i> -0.8199 | <i>from</i> -0.4302 | <i>from</i> -0.0403 | <i>from</i> 0.3497   |
|               |                                               | <i>to</i> -0.4301   | <i>to</i> -0.0402   | <i>to</i> 0.3496    | <i>to</i> 0.739487   |

**Supplemental Table 4. Score ranking level for CK, TnT, VEGF, intermediate monocytes and miRNAs.** The table shows how scores from 1 to 4 are assigned according to the respective range levels of: CK reported as mg/dL and TnT reported as ng/mL at 0h, and VEGF reported as pg/ml, intermediate monocytes reported as cells/ $\mu$ L, and miRNAs (miR-16, miR-21 and miR-29a expression reported as log fold change) at post-PPCI (6h). CK: creatine kinase; Int Monocytes: intermediate monocytes; miRNAs: microRNAs; PPCI: primary percutaneous coronary intervention; TnT: troponin-T; VEGF: vascular endothelial growth factor.