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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 5.

Real-time qRT-PCR validation.

(A) Genes used in real-time qRT-PCR validation experiments. These four target genes, *Sirt1* (spleen), *Tgfb1* (spleen), *Rxra* (liver) and *Tiam1* (liver), were selected based on their functional significance, their statistical significance, their presence as single splice transcripts in microarrays and their availability as Taqman assays designed across splice junctions. The three most stable out of four housekeeping genes tested (*Rasa1*, *Sema4a*, *Tpst2* and *18S rRNA*), as determined by the geNorm software, were used to normalise the gene expression data of the target genes.

(**B**) Correlation of gene expression fold changes between microarray and real-time qRT-PCR data. Validation of the microarray data via real-time qRT-PCR shows that correlation of fold changes obtained by these two gene expression profiling techniques was high with an $R^2 = 0.9444$.

Sample	Symbol	Definition	Assay ID
Spleen	Sirt1	<i>Mus musculus</i> sirtuin 1 (silent mating type information regulation 2 homologue) 1 (<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>)	Mm00490758_m1
Spleen	Tgfb1	Mus musculus transforming growth factor beta 1	Mm00441724_m1
Liver	Rxra	Mus musculus retinoid X receptor alpha	Mm00441182_m1
Liver	Tiam1	Mus musculus T-cell lymphoma invasion and metastasis 1	Mm00437071_m1
All	Rasa1	Mus musculus RAS p21 protein activator 1	Mm00520858_m1
All	Sema4a	<i>Mus musculus</i> sema domain immunoglobulin domain (Ig) transmembrane domain (TM) and short cytoplasmic domain (semaphorin) 4A	Mm00443140_m1
All	Tpst2	Mus musculus protein-tyrosine sulphotransferase 2	Mm00493809_m1
All	18S rRNA	Eukaryotic 18S rRNA endogenous control	4352930E

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