

Molecular Analyses of Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

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Abstract

Malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) is an aggressive cancer that is strongly associated with asbestos exposure. Majority of patients with MPM present with advanced disease and the treatment paradigm mainly involves palliative chemotherapy and best supportive care. The current chemotherapy options are limited and ineffective hence there is an urgent need to improve patient outcomes. This requires better understanding of the genetic alterations driving MPM to improve diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic strategies.

This research aims to gain further insights in the pathogenesis of MPM by exploring the tumour transcriptional and mutational profiles. We compared gene expression profiles of 25 MPM tumours and 5 non-malignant pleura. This revealed differentially expressed genes involved in cell migration, invasion, cell cycle and the immune system that contribute to the malignant phenotype of MPM. We then constructed MPM-associated co-expression networks using weighted gene correlation network analysis to identify clusters of highly correlated genes. These identified three distinct molecular subtypes of MPM associated with genes involved in WNT and TGF- β signalling pathways. Our results also revealed genes involved in cell cycle control especially the mitotic phase correlated significantly with poor prognosis.

Through exome analysis of seven paired tumour/blood and 29 tumour samples, we identified frequent mutations in *BAP1* and *NF2*. Additionally, the mutational profile of MPM is enriched with genes encoding FAK, MAPK and WNT signalling pathways. We also found mutations in several novel genes involved in chromatin remodelling other than *BAP1* and *SETD2* that may contribute to dysregulation of gene expression in MPM.

In conclusion, MPM is a complex disease with heterogeneous molecular aberrations. By combining findings from both transcriptome and exome analyses, we identified alterations in genes involved in common signalling pathways such as FAK, WNT and MAPK. These may have important roles in driving MPM carcinogenesis with therapeutic implications and require further explorations.

Abbreviations

Abbreviations	Full name
BAM	Binary Alignment Map
bp	base pairs
BRC	Biomedical Research Centre
BRU	Biomedical Research Units
CALBG	Cancer and Leukaemia Group B
CDK	Cyclin Dependent Kinases
cDNA	complementary Deoxyribonucleic Acid
CEA	Carcinoembryonic Antigen
CL4	Claudin-4
COSMIC	Catalogue of Somatic Mutations in Cancer
CRL4	Cullin4A-RING E3 ubiquitin Ligase
cRNA	complementary Ribonucleic Acid
CSC	Cancer Stem Cells
CT	Computed Tomography
CTLA-4	Cytotoxic T Lymphocyte Antigen-4
DM	Data Mining
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
DNMTi	DNA Methyltransferase inhibitor
dNTP	deoxyribonucleotide triphosphate
ECM	Extracellular Matrix
EGFR	Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor
EMA	Epithelial Membrane Antigen
EMT	Epithelial-Mesenchymal Transition
EORTC	European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer
EPP	Extra-Pleural Pneumonectomy
ERK	Extracellular-signal-Regulated Kinases
ExAC	Exome Aggregation Consortium
FAK	Focal Adhesion Kinase
FC	Fold Change
FDR	False Discovery Rate
FFPE	Formalin- Fixed, Paraffin-Embedded
gm	Grams
GO	Gene Ontology
GS	Gene Significance
GWAS	Genome-wide association study
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H&E	Haematoxylin and Eosin
HA	Hyaluronate
HCA	Hierarchical Clustering Algorithm

HDACi	Histone Deacetylase Inhibitors
HGF	Hepatocyte Growth Factor
HMGB1	High Molecular Group Binding Protein 1
IASLC	International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer
IGF1	Insulin Growth Factor 1
IHC	Immunohistochemistry
IMIG	International Mesothelioma Interest Group
indels	insertions/deletions
IVT	<i>in vitro</i> Transcription
KEGG	Kyoto Encyclopaedia of Genes and Genomes
LCM	Laser-Capture Micro-dissection
LRP	Lipoprotein-Related Protein
MAPK	Mitogen-Activated Protein Kinases
MEMO	Molecular Analyses of Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma
MEs	Module Eigengenes
MET	MET Proto-oncogene
MHC	Major Histocompatibility Complex
miR	micro RNA
ml	Millilitre
MM	Module Membership
MPM	Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma
MSAC	Mitotic Spindle and Assembly Checkpoint
mTOR	Mammalian Target of Rapamycin
NER	Nucleotide Excision Repair
NF-κB	Nuclear Factor Kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells
ng	Nanogram
NGS	Next Generation Sequencing
NIHR	National Institute for Health Research
NK	Natural Killer
nt	Nucleotides
OCT	Optimal Cutting Temperature
OS	Overall Survival
PCA	Principal Component Analysis
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
PD-1	Programmed Death-1
PDP	Podoplanin
PEN	Polyethylene Napthalate
PFS	Progression-Free Survival
PI3K	Phosphoinositide 3-Kinase
PM	Perfect Match
PVCA	Principal Variance Component Analysis
RBH	Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Foundation Trust Hospital
RIN	RNA Integrity Number
RMA	Random Multiple Access
RMH	Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust Hospital

RNA	Ribonucleic Acid
RTK	Receptor Tyrosine Kinase
RTS	Review on Transcriptome Studies
SGH	St George's Hospital
SHH	Sonic Hedgehog
siRNA	small interfering RNA
SMRP	Soluble Mesothelin-Related Peptides
SNP	single Nucleotide Polymorphisms
SNV	Single Nucleotide Variants
SV40	Simian Virus 40
TGF-β1	Transforming Growth Factor Beta 1
TNF	Tumour Necrosis Factor
TOM	Topological Overlap Matrix
TSG	Tumour Suppressor Gene
TUCP	Transcripts of Uncertain Coding Potential
UK	United Kingdom
USA	United States of America
UV	Ultraviolet
VCF	Varian Call Format
WES	Whole Exome Sequencing
WGCNA	Weighted Gene Co-expression Network Analysis
WHO	World Health Organisation
WT1	Wilms' Tumor-1 protein
μg	Microgram
μl	Microliter
μm	Micrometre

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Chapter 1 - Introduction

1.1 Background

Malignant mesothelioma is a neoplasm that originates from mesothelial cells lining the body cavities including the pleura, pericardium, peritoneum and tunica vaginalis. The pleura is the most commonly affected area and is known as malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) which is the focus of this thesis work. Asbestos is the main causative agent but other risk factors and genetic susceptibilities have been implicated. MPM is still considered a relatively rare type of cancer accounting for only 0.8% of cancer cases and 1.5% cancer deaths in the United Kingdom (UK)¹. The long latency period between exposure and development of MPM has given rise to the increased incidence seen in many developed countries over the past two decades and the incidence continues to rise in many developing countries worldwide.

MPM is an aggressive cancer and is often diagnose at an advanced stage. Patients with MPM commonly present with dyspnoea, chest pain or pleural effusion. Initial assessments generally include a computed tomography (CT) scan, thoracentesis, pleural fluid cytology assessment, and pleural biopsy. The diagnosis of MPM remains challenging as it relies on an adequate tissue biopsy sample for histopathological analysis taking into considerations appropriate clinical, radiological and surgical findings.

MPM is categorised into three main histologic subtypes: epithelioid, sarcomatoid and biphasic MPM. Histologic subtype is a well-established prognostic factor in MPM. Epithelioid MPM confers significantly better prognosis compared to biphasic and sarcomatoid MPM. According to the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer

(IASLC) and International Mesothelioma Interest Group (IMIG) studies the median survival for epithelioid, biphasic and sarcomatoid MPM are 19, 13 and 8 months respectively; and the median survival by stage of disease and after maximal cytoreductive surgery is also reported (Table 1.1)². Two validated prognostic scoring systems developed by the Cancer and Leukaemia Group B (CALGB) and European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) have been proposed for patients with MPM^{3,4}. These groups examined the effects of various pre-treatment variables on survival in patients with MPM. Several variables were identified as important prognostic factors including age, performance status, histologic subtype, weight loss, haematologic and biochemistry parameters. Amongst these, poor performance status and non-epithelioid subtypes were reported by both groups to be associated with worse prognosis.

Chemotherapy is the standard of care for patients with MPM. A combination of pemetrexed (anti-folate) and cisplatin (platinum-compound) is an established frontline treatment with statistically significant improvement in overall survival by three months and quality of life over cisplatin alone as shown in a randomized phase III trial⁵. The response to chemotherapy remains short-lived and no other second-line treatments are licensed. However, a small subset of long-term responders can be identified. Surgery is not performed frequently as the majority of patients present with inoperable disease. For resectable disease, the optimal type of surgery is still unclear. A seminal feasibility clinical trial showed extra-pleural pneumonectomy (EPP) offers no benefit compared to no surgical intervention⁶. A prospective randomized trial (NCT02040272) has recently started recruiting in the UK and aims to answer the benefits of a less extensive surgery, extended pleurectomy decortication, versus no surgery. Adjuvant hemithoracic RT to improve loco regional control is no longer given as patient will require pneumonectomy while the benefit of prophylactic tract RT given to prevent tumour seeding at surgical instrumented site remains controversial as studies have shown conflicting result but is

still routinely given in some centres⁷.

Table 1.1. Median survival of patients with MPM according to disease stage (American Joint Committee on Cancer Cancer Staging Manual, 7th edition) and after surgery.

Stage	T	N	M	Median survival (months) (IMIG+IASLC)	
					With radical surgery
I	T1	N0	M0	20	30
IA	T1a	N0	M0		
IB	T1b	N0	M0		
II	T2	N0	M0	19	22
III	T1, T2	N1	M0	16	16
	T1, T2	N2	M0		
	T3	N0, 1, 2	M0		
IV	T4	Any N	M0	11	12
	Any T	N3	M0		
	Any T	Any N	M1		

1.2 Mesothelial cells and the pleura

Mesothelial cells are derived from the mesoderm but are capable of expressing both epithelial and mesenchymal properties. They display mainly epithelial phenotypes and markers such as polygonal cell shape, cytokeratin intermediate filaments and basement membrane; and occasionally the presence of mesenchymal markers such as vimentin, desmin and alpha smooth muscle actin^{8,9}. Simsir *et al.* have demonstrated mesothelial cells possess well-developed tight junctions, adherens junctions, gap junctions and desmosomes; and also

express predominantly N-cadherin in addition to E- and P- cadherins¹⁰. In response to insult, mesothelial cells begin to proliferate and regenerate. Several theories exist and suggest new mesothelial cells regenerate after injury from centripetal migration of cells at the wound edge and the origins of these regenerating mesothelial cells remain uncertain but free-floating cells from serosal fluid have been implicated¹¹. Mesothelial cells are also capable of forming cells of different mesenchymal lineages through transdifferentiation from an epithelial to mesenchymal phenotype such as fibroblasts, endothelial and smooth muscle cells depending on the presence of different types of growth factors and cytokines¹². These observations led to the speculation of the existence of cancer stem cells (CSC) in MPM. CSC share many characteristics of normal stem cells including self-renewal and multilineage differentiation. Aside from these, a CSC population has been hypothesised to play an essential role in tumour initiation, growth, recurrence, and treatment resistance^{13–15}. Several studies aimed to identify CSC in MPM but results were not conclusive. Side population cells are considered to be potential CSC in various tumours and those with low or negative *CD105* were isolated from MPM and found to be tumorigenic¹⁶. Other studies claimed to have isolated floating stem cells from cultured peritoneal mesothelioma cells but lacked the usual stem cell markers such as *CD133*, *CD31* and *CD144*¹⁷. Yamazaki *et al* found MPM cell lines expressing *CD24* and *CD26* correlated with CSC properties¹⁸. Resistance to cancer therapy is another hallmark of CSC and Cortes-Derrick proposed chemoresistance to pemetrexed and cisplatin is associated with the expression of stem cell markers *CD133*, *Bmi-1*, *uPAR* and *ABCG2*¹⁹. Further characterization of CSC in MPM is warranted as it can lead to better understanding of the cells of origin, tumour progression and as potential therapeutic targets in MPM

Around 70% percent of malignant mesothelioma cases are pleural in origin and occur mainly on the parietal pleura instead of the visceral pleura^{20,21}. The pleura is covered by a single layer of flattened mesothelial cells made up of squamous-like cells and cuboidal mesothelial cells.

The functions of mesothelium are to provide a protective barrier and to facilitate movement of the pleural surfaces during respiration through secretion of glycoproteins. Furthermore, they are involved in membrane transport, participate in inflammation and tissue repair process by secreting various immunomodulatory mediators such as cytokines, growth factors, nitric oxide, reactive nitrogen and oxygen species and also capable of changing cell adhesion molecule expression²². An *in vitro* study showed mesothelial cells produce a variety of extracellular matrix (ECM) molecules and regulate ECM turnover through the synthesis of matrix metalloproteinases and tissue inhibitors of metalloproteinases²³.

1.3 Epidemiology

Asbestos is a well-established causal factor for MPM. The World War II period saw the largest use of asbestos because of demand that accompanied industrialization. However, the rise in MPM cases did not occur immediately because of the long latency period between exposure and disease development. The long latency period explains the rising incidence of MPM worldwide despite asbestos being banned in many countries and the incidence is predicted to decline only sometime between year 2015 and 2030²⁴. There is also a significant heterogeneity in incidence by country with industrialised countries having the highest incidence rate reflecting past use and production of asbestos²⁵. Australia has the highest incidence in 2010 at 35 cases per million while incidence in the United States of America (USA) might have peaked and has been steadily declining since year 2000 due to the decline in asbestos use since 1960^{26,27}. In the UK, the incidence rates have increased since late 1970s that correlated with the peak use of asbestos around early 1960s¹.

Data from the World Health Organisation (WHO) analysis of MPM from 1994-2008 reported an age-adjusted mortality rate of 4.9 per million with a mean age of death at 70 years and

observed large differences by sex with a male to female ratio of 3.6:1²⁸. In 2011, there were 2,570 new cases recorded with a male to female ratio of 5.5:1; and 2,429 deaths from MPM recorded in 2012 in the UK. This is in keeping with the prediction that MPM mortality in Great Britain will peak at around 1,950-2,450 deaths per year between 2011-2015 and expected to decline rapidly thereafter²⁹.

In non-Western or developing countries the incidence is expected to peak at a later period due to later use of asbestos compared to Western countries. Many cases particularly in developing countries have been unreported leading to an underestimation of global incidence rate. Park *et al.* estimated 38,900 cases to have occurred between 1994-2008 in countries without reported mesothelioma based on cumulative data on incidence rate and asbestos use³⁰. Similarly, inaccurate reporting of MPM deaths prior to the introduction of a uniform disease classification system may have contributed to the underestimated incidence rates globally³¹.

Geographical areas and occupations associated with high exposure of asbestos correlated with higher incidence and deaths due to MPM. In the UK, areas of West Dunbartonshire and Barrow-in-Furness have the highest standardized mortality ratio and the occupations with the highest proportional mortality ratios are metal plate workers, vehicle body builders, plumbers, gas fitters and carpenters³². In addition, indirect non-occupational exposure to asbestos such as living in the vicinity of an industrial or natural source of asbestos areas or living with a person exposed to asbestos has accounted for 8.3% of all mesothelioma cases in Italy but has been estimated to account for approximately 30% of all cases in the USA³³. Small clusters of mesothelioma have also occurred such as in the villages of Turkey possibly due to other environmental exposure such as erionite (an asbestos-like mineral) or transmission in an autosomal dominant manner as suggested by a six-generation extended pedigree analysis^{34,35}.

With the exception of the USA and possibly the UK, the observed incidence of this disease is just the tip of the iceberg especially in many developing countries. The increasing cases of this fatal disease worldwide and its limited treatment options highlighted the importance of research in understanding the disease biology in order to improve diagnosis, therapies and outcomes.

1.4 Risk factors

1.4.1 Asbestos

Asbestos is the most extensively investigated cause of MPM and it was not until 1947 when the first case of MPM with current diagnostic criteria was documented and published in the New England Journal of Medicine³⁶. However, the first causal relationship between MPM and asbestos was reported by Wagner in 1956 whereby he documented 32 out of 33 MPM cases with asbestos exposure in the Kimberley area, South Africa³⁷.

There are two major groups of asbestos: serpentine and amphiboles. Chrysotile also known as white asbestos is the only serpentine and accounts for more than 90% of the asbestos used worldwide. Among the amphiboles, crocidolite, also known as blue asbestos, is considered to be the most oncogenic and found to confer increased risk by 500 fold compared to chrysotile³⁸. The carcinogenicity of chrysotile remains controversial and its contribution to malignant mesothelioma was thought to be attributed to contamination with amphiboles while other studies found chrysotile do not accumulate in the lungs as they could be partially digested compared to amphibole asbestos which are resistant to cellular enzymes³⁹. However, studies on lung fibre contents in patients with MPM have found increased odd ratios not only for amphiboles fibres but also chrysotile fibres alone⁴⁰. Aside from solubility, the

carcinogenicity of asbestos fibres also depends on its diameter and length. The biologically active or inhalable asbestos fibres are those with a diameter of less than 3 micrometres and a length between 5 and 100 micrometres⁴¹. Only 20% of all asbestos fibres fall into this category including crocidolite that have the capacity to penetrate and irritate the pleura to induce disease including pleural plaques, asbestosis or malignant mesothelioma⁴². In general, the majority of patients are exposed to both types of asbestos and the WHO has concluded that all types of asbestos are in fact oncogenic⁴³.

Around 80% of MPM are related to asbestos but the remaining 20% of cases have no documented asbestos exposure suggesting other etiologic factors including genetic susceptibility in certain individuals⁴⁴. Even in cases where asbestos exposure was not known lung content examination from a study revealed significant asbestos fibres count were present in these cases suggesting potential unrecognized exposure⁴⁵. The lifetime risk of developing MPM after asbestos exposure ranges from 4 to 10% and majority of exposed individuals develop other asbestos-related lung disease such as pulmonary fibrosis, pleural plaques, recurrent effusions and lung cancer⁴⁶. The risk of lung cancer in asbestos-exposed individuals is further increased by cigarette smoking that is prevalent in this group of individuals and the risk persists for up to 40 years even after smoking cessation compared to asbestos workers who never smoke⁴⁷. In contrast, smoking alone does not increase the risk of MPM in a case-control study⁴⁸. Either way, smoking cessation may be the only way to reduce the risk of lung cancer in previously asbestos-exposed workers.

The mean latency period between asbestos exposure to the time of MPM diagnosis is around 32 years after initial exposure and only 1% of the cases had a latent period of less than 15 years while no cases was identified in those with less than 10 years of exposure⁴⁹. More recent studies have revised and reported the mean latency period to be between 42.8 to 48.5

years^{50,51}. There is no definite explanation for this long latent period but one could postulate that cells exposed to asbestos acquire multiple molecular aberrations over the years and eventually transform. The findings by Hilliard *et al.* showed the latency period is inversely correlated with intensity of exposure and found the latency period for intermittent and continuous exposure to be 42 years versus 49.5 years respectively⁵¹. A pooled analysis of 8 cohort studies found the median latency period to be 38.4 years and women tended to have a longer latency period compared to men⁵². The number of female cases not known to be directly exposed to asbestos tends to be lower compared to those with known occupational exposure. Indirect exposure to asbestos could be a result from proximity to asbestos factories, close contact with asbestos workers with fibres found in their clothing, asbestos in old buildings or electrical apparatus. In addition, the study observed the median duration of exposure was 3.75 years and the risk of developing pleural MPM increased up to 45 years after first exposure. A population-based case control study on asbestos-exposed males estimated a dose-response relationship with logistic regression method and found the effect of total duration of asbestos exposure decreased when age at first exposure and time since last exposure increased⁵³.

Studies based on history of asbestos exposure invariably suffer from inaccurate estimation of exposure while studies based on lung content analyses might offer more precise risk estimation. The risk of asbestos-induced MPM was found to be dose-dependent in animal models⁵⁴. However, the effect appears to be different in humans as shown in a lung content analysis study which found higher levels of exposure to asbestos is more likely to cause asbestosis instead of MPM and the latter is more likely to occur with smaller amount of exposure to crocidolite compared to chrysotile⁵⁵.

The mechanisms of asbestos-induced malignant changes in mesothelial cells are multifaceted.

Firstly, long and thin asbestos fibres including crocidolite can directly penetrate and deposit in the pleura to initiate asbestos-related disease including MPM⁴². Secondly, asbestos fibres are capable of disrupting mitotic spindles during mitosis resulting in aneuploidy and other chromosomal abnormalities leading to cell transformation⁵⁶. Thirdly, asbestos fibres generate a chronic inflammatory process by generating extracellular high molecular weight binding protein 1 (HMGB1) following phagocytosis of asbestos fibres by macrophages and human mesothelial cells. HMGB1 leads to secretion of tumour necrosis factor (TNF)-alpha that promotes cell survival and resistance to asbestos-induced cytotoxicity through activation of nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells (NF-κB)⁵⁷. Furthermore, HMGB1 releases reactive oxygen and nitrogen species thereby inducing DNA damage, strand breaks and G to T transversions⁵⁸. Asbestos fibres are capable of inducing autophosphorylation of mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPK) and extracellular-signal-regulated kinases (ERK) 1 and 2⁵⁹. The MAPK/ERK cascade is also activated by asbestos-induced autophosphorylation of epidermal growth factor receptor (*EGFR*).

1.4.2 Other risk factors including genetic susceptibility

Around 20% of MPM cases are not associated with asbestos exposure suggesting other etiologic factors or genetic susceptibility. A number of other non-asbestos related agents are implicated in the development of MPM. Erionite, a naturally occurring fibrous zeolite compound is strongly associated with MPM after high incidence of MPM was reported in villages of Cappadocia, Turkey and found extensive use of erionite in the houses of MPM cases. Intrapleural injections of erionite in animal models resulted in MPM in >90% of cases⁶⁰. However, some households were spared despite the presence of erionite in the home buildings and analysis of a six generation extended pedigree in Turkey suggested a possibility of genetic susceptibility through autosomal dominant transmission³⁵. This was challenged by

another study that found the risk of MPM was due to indoor exposure to erionite and familial clustering might be coincidental or erionite might be contributing to MPM in genetically susceptible individuals⁶¹.

Multiwalled carbon nanotubes, products of nanotechnology, have also been implicated in MPM development due to their morphological resemblance to asbestos fibres including needle-like shape, high durability and propensity to migrate to the pleural when inhaled. Thin and high crystallinity carbon nanotubes have been shown to pierce the mesothelial cell membrane and induce cytotoxicity *in vitro* and initiate inflammation with subsequent transformation *in vivo* in mesothelial cells⁶². The same study observed frequent homozygous deletion of *CDKN2A/2B* that is often inactivated in MPM. There is no evidence reported to date regarding human exposure to carbon nanotubes and development of MPM.

Simian virus 40 (SV40) is a polyomavirus with double-stranded DNA of monkey origin and the most likely route of transmission to human was through SV40 contaminated polio vaccines between 1955-1963⁶³. SV40 has been identified in several tumours including MPM. SV40 exerts its oncogenic effects via an antisense mechanism that suppresses late viral gene expression allowing cells to survive the infection and the high levels of wild type p53 in human mesothelial cells allow SV40 to persist in an episomal state with expression of large T antigen (Tag)⁶⁴. SV40 Tag binds to and inactivates tumour suppressors p53, pRb and other proteins leading to activation of insulin-like growth factor 1 (*IGF 1*) pathway including *AKT* activation leading to cell survival and proliferation⁶⁵. In addition, Tag is able to transactivate *MET* and *ERK* pathways through production of hepatocyte growth factor (*HGF*) and upregulation of *Notch-1* respectively^{66,67}.

Intrapleural inoculation of SV40 in hamsters resulted in the development of MPM⁶⁸. This led

to the identification of SV40 sequences by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) in 60% of human mesotheliomas specimens and was later confirmed in a multi-centre study in the USA^{69,70}. However other groups outside of the USA did not detect SV40 in MPM suggesting possible geographical variations in the use of previously SV40-contaminated polio vaccine or differences in detection methods^{71,72}. Lopez-Rios *et al* also showed that most of their initial positive results of SV40 in 60% of MPM were due to plasmid PCR amplification rather than that of SV40⁷³. To date, it is still not entirely clear the causal role of SV40 in MPM due to the conflicting laboratories results and the overall incidence of MPM is not consistent with the millions of previously SV40-contaminated polio vaccines.

In vitro studies have demonstrated that SV40 can transform human mesothelial cells but asbestos acts synergistically as strong co-carcinogen in increasing the rate of malignant transformation^{64,74}. These suggest SV40 contribution to MPM development as a co-factor and potentially could be a marker to identify asbestos exposed individuals who may be at high risk of developing MPM.

Ionising radiation is a well-recognized carcinogen and a potential risk factor for the development of MPM. This has been reported in patients receiving therapeutic radiation for cancer such as Wilms' tumour or lymphoma and in patients who had previously received radiographic contrast medium Thorotrast^{75,76}. The causal association was further supported by development of MPM in rat models injected with radioactive material and a review on epidemiological studies found statistical significant increase in MPM risk especially with Thorotrast and radiation therapy^{77,78}. Although there is no definite causal link between radiation and MPM but a possible causal association is evident from the case reports and the plausible oncogenic actions of radiation.

Polymorphisms in several metabolic genes involved in oxidation processes are implicated in conferring an increased risk of MPM. Previous study found genetic polymorphisms in two metabolic genes *GTSM1* and *NAT2* associated with an increased risk of asbestos-induced MPM development and the risk is 7-fold higher in the presence of both polymorphisms⁷⁹. Another case-control study identified increased risk of MPM is associated with polymorphisms in *mEH*, combination of *mEH* and *NAT2*, *mEH* and *GTSM1*; and *NAT2* and *GTSM1* in the presence of asbestos exposure⁸⁰. However, the studies involved small number of cases and these genes have not been reported again in MPM to draw any significant associations.

Genome-wide association study (GWAS) was carried out in an Italian sample involving 407 MPM cases and 389 controls with a replication Australian study involving 428 MPM cases and 1289 controls to identify genetic risk factors in the development of MPM^{81,82}. These did not identify any single marker that reached the genome-wide significance threshold and there was no replication between the two studies. These could be explained by the small sample size as MPM is still a relatively rare cancer and sample heterogeneity. However, five chromosomal regions (3q26.2, 4q32.1, 7p22.2, 14q11.2, 15q14) from the Australian study showed significant associations with the top single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNP) from the Italian study especially in the region of a cell adhesion protein, *SDK1*. This gene has recently been identified through exome data mining to be associated with asbestos exposure⁸³. Thus, *SDK1* may be an important candidate gene in asbestos-induced disease such as MPM.

In recent years, germline mutations in *BAP1* have been reported in families with a high incidence of MPM^{84,85}. Meta-analysis of seven unrelated families found the majority of these cases arise in individuals or families with other cancers known as *BAP1* cancer syndrome that includes atypical melanocytic tumours, uveal melanoma, cutaneous melanomas, renal cell

carcinomas and possibly other cancers that have not yet to be classified as part of the syndrome⁸⁵. The prevalence of germline *BAP1* mutation is extremely low in sporadic MPM and estimated to be between 0-2 %⁸⁶⁻⁸⁸. Sneddon *et al* also did not identify any history of *BAP1*-associated cancers in sporadic *BAP-1* mutant MPM cases suggesting germline *BAP1* mutation and familial *BAP1* cancer syndrome is not a common occurrence⁸⁷. As such, routine genetic screening for germline *BAP1* mutation is not applicable but could be considered for patients with MPM and family history of other *BAP1*-associated cancer.

1.5 Diagnostic biomarkers

Most MPM are readily identified or suspected on routine haematoxylin-eosin (H&E) staining where they exhibit three histologic subtypes that are broadly categorized in to epithelioid, sarcomatoid or mixed (biphasic) based on cell morphology. A definitive histopathological diagnosis of MPM requires immunohistochemistry (IHC) workup. The IMIG recommends the use of at least 2 mesothelial and 2 carcinoma antibodies depending on the differential diagnoses considered⁸⁹. The differential diagnoses for epithelioid MPM includes adenocarcinomas; for sarcomatoid MPM includes sarcomas and other spindle cell neoplasms; and for mixed MPM includes mixed or biphasic tumours such as synovial sarcoma and metastatic pleomorphic carcinoma of lung.

The most established positive mesothelioma markers include calretinin, epithelial membrane antigen (EMA), cytokeratin 5/6 (CK5/6), podoplanin (PDP) and Wilms' tumor-1 protein (WT1). As for carcinoma markers, carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA), claudin-4 (CL4), Ber-EP4 and p63 are useful panels. Initial positive staining for EMA and calretinin together with negative staining for CEA and Ber-EP4 support the diagnosis of MPM and exclude adenocarcinoma. Any equivocal results will require further MPM antibodies such as PDP and

WT-1. PDP is able to differentiate epithelioid MPM from adenocarcinomas but can also be expressed in squamous carcinoma. WT1 is a useful MPM diagnostic marker and able to differentiate lung adenocarcinoma but not breast adenocarcinoma hence their use may be limited to male patients. D2-40 and calretinin are positive markers most consistently expressed in sarcomatoid MPM. In the setting of other suspected cancers, the use of specific antibodies such as thyroid transcription factor 1 positivity confirms pulmonary origin of an adenocarcinoma. Amongst the negative markers for MPM, CL4 is the most specific while EpCAM may show focal positivity and CEA expression is very rare in MPM. The diagnosis of benign reactive mesothelial proliferation requires loss of immunoreactivity to EMA and positive immunoreactivity to desmin.

The diagnosis of MPM based on cytological analysis of pleural fluid is non-invasive and has lower morbidity rate. Recent evidence has indicated cytopathological diagnosis of MPM can be reliable with 100% positive predictive value if carried out in conjunction with other ancillary techniques such as IHC, molecular biology, electron microscopy and analysis of soluble biomarkers but has lower sensitivity compared to histopathological diagnosis that remains as the gold-standard diagnostic tool⁹⁰.

Several biomarkers in serum, plasma or pleural effusion have been established as potential diagnostic markers in MPM but none can be used solely due to low sensitivity or still requiring further validation in larger studies. Soluble mesothelin-related peptides (SMRP) are elevated in the serum of patients with MPM with a specificity of 95% and sensitivity of 83% compared to controls⁹¹. Multivariate analyses showed the sensitivity ranged from 20-70% and level of SMRP correlate significantly with age, low BMI, smoking history, cumulative asbestos exposure and detection of disease recurrence or progression⁹². However, the potential use of SMRP are limited to epithelioid or biphasic MPM as they are not elevated in

sarcomatoid MPM, a subtype that remains a diagnostic challenge. Osteopontin, an extracellular cell adhesion protein, has low specificity as a plasma diagnostic marker but in contrast to SMRP it may be elevated in sarcomatoid MPM⁹³. Both sensitivity and specificity are increased by combining both SMRP and plasma osteopontin for diagnostic accuracy but require further validation⁹⁴. High level of hyaluronate (HA) is secreted into the effusion of MPM but high levels are detected in only 50-60% of MPM effusions⁹⁵. Combining SMRP and HA biomarkers with a two-step model to predict MPM showed high specificity but no improvement in sensitivity⁹⁶. Another study identified elevated levels of serum fibulin 3, an extracellular glycoprotein, has a sensitivity of 96.7% and specificity of 95.5% in distinguishing patients with MPM from those with exposure to asbestos but without the disease⁹⁷. Levels are also significantly higher in pleural effusion due to MPM and together with plasma level may be helpful to differentiate effusion due to MPM or other benign lesions. However, this could not be validated in a subsequent study that found SMRP to be a better serum diagnostic marker compared to fibulin 3⁹⁸. In conclusion, SMRP remains the best available biomarker that may be clinically useful to distinguish MPM from other diseases.

1.6 Molecular changes in MPM

1.6.1 Chromosomal alterations

Chromosomal alterations in MPM have been studied on cell cultures and primary tumours with comparative genomic hybridization array, SNP array and representative oligonucleotide microarray analysis^{99–105}. All studies reported loss of chromosomal regions 1p, 3p, 9p and 22q. The genes at some of the deleted loci have been identified including 9p21.3 that encodes *CDKN2A* and 22q12 that encodes *NF2*. The frequent loss of region 3p21 involves tumour suppressor gene (TSG) *RASSF1A* (3p21.3) that is inactivated by allelic loss or methylation.

More recently, somatic *BAP1* (3p21.1) mutations in MPM have been identified and together with loss of chromosome 3p21 lead to biallelic inactivation of *BAP1*¹⁰⁶. Other frequent losses are in the region of 4q, 13q and 14q. Gains of chromosomal regions are less common and include regions 1q, 5p, 7p, 8q, and 17q. Whole genome sequencing of one primary MPM tumour with matched normal tissue using sequencing-by-synthesis and pyrosequencing also revealed more large scale genomic alterations, particularly deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) rearrangements involving chromosomes 8, 17 and 21, than point mutations¹⁰⁷. The study reported one large deletion involving *DPP10* at 2q12.3–2q14.2 but loss of this region was not detected by earlier studies involving MPM cell lines or tumours. Clearly more samples are needed as this study only focused on single tumour genome and the depth of sequencing might be biased towards discovery of rearrangement-type mutations.

1.6.2 DNA methylation

DNA methylation of clusters of CpG dinucleotides (“CpG islands”) in the promoter regions of genes leads to transcriptional silencing. This epigenetic modification plays a major role in carcinogenesis through inactivation of tumour suppressor and other growth regulatory genes¹⁰⁸. Global epigenetic analysis of MPM has shown differences in methylation profile when compared to normal pleural or other tumours suggesting the presence of aberrant CpG island methylation that is specific and may be involved in the carcinogenesis of MPM. The first methylation study on MPM was carried out on 158 MPM and 18 normal pleural samples. DNA methylation profile was able to differentiate between MPM and non-malignant pleura and was a significant predictor of shorter survival¹⁰⁹. Another study compared the methylation profile between MPM and lung adenocarcinomas and found 11% of heterozygously deleted genes were affected by DNA methylation and/or trimethylated histone H3 lysine 27 in MPM¹¹⁰. Amongst these genes, *TMEM30B*, *KAZALD1* and *MAPK13* were specifically

methyated in MPM and may be useful as differential diagnostic markers. In the same study, a subset of patients with low frequency of DNA methylation had longer survival. Other genes that have prognostic implications include hypermethylation of *LZTS1*, *SLC6A20*, *TMS1*, *HIC-1* or combination of *RARB* with either *RASSF1A* or *DARK* that have been associated with shorter survival^{111–113}. Other authors have studied the methylation status in MPM with a more directed approach by analysing specific pathway genes. These identified hypermethylation of cell cycle genes (*APC*, *CCND2*, *CDKN2A*, *CDKN2B*, *HPPBP1* and *RASSF1*) was significantly associated with higher asbestos burden¹¹⁴. Kohno *et al* found WNT pathway is deregulated in MPM via epigenetic silencing and found promoter methylation of *WIF-1* and *SFRP1*, 2 and 4, are common events in MPM¹¹⁵. Epigenetic silencing of *miR-34b/c*, a direct transcriptional target of *TP53*, by methylation is a crucial event in MPM and forced expression of *miR-34b/c* led to significant antitumor effect¹¹⁶.

In light of these aberrant epigenetic findings in MPM, several histone deacetylase inhibitors (HDACi) have been tested. The largest of the studies was a phase III trial that tested vorinostat but did not show any survival benefit compared to best supportive care in patients who relapsed after first-line systemic chemotherapy¹¹⁷. A more promising result was achieved with valproate, an HDACi, given with doxorubicin that yielded a response rate of 16% in a small phase II study. This was further supported by *in vitro* study that showed tumour growth suppression when combined with standard of care chemotherapy regime, pemetrexed plus cisplatin¹¹⁸.

1.6.3 Micro RNA

Micro RNA (miR) are involved in regulating gene expression at the post transcriptional level and half of known miR are located in cancer-associated genomic regions or in fragile sites,

regions of loss of heterozygosity, minimal amplicons or common breakpoints involving TSG, oncogenes and genes in specific signalling pathways¹¹⁹. In a study investigating the prognostic role of miR in surgically treated patients with MPM, only miR-29c* had significant different expression with higher levels correlating with longer time to progression and survival¹²⁰. miR-31 is frequently lost in MPM due to its chromosomal location at 9p21. A study showed loss of miR-31 in MPM cell lines is associated with more aggressive phenotype and reintroduction of this miR led to inhibition of cell cycle progression¹²¹. Several groups have identified specific miR that may be of diagnostic value in MPM. Seven miR (miR-141, miR-200a, miR-200b, miR-200c, miR-203, miR-205, and miR-429) are shown to be downregulated in MPM irrespective of the histologic subtype. Upregulation of miR-484, miR-320, hsa-let-7a, and miR-125a-5p are able to discriminate MPM from benign asbestos-related disease while differential expression of three miR (miR-193, miR-200c, and miR-192) are able to distinguish MPM from lung adenocarcinoma^{122,123}. Further miR profiling studies and validation of the findings are required to establish their roles in MPM carcinogenesis.

1.6.4 Gene expression profiling

Microarray-based transcriptomic studies have led to the identification of deregulated gene expression changes relevant to the biology of MPM. Earlier studies on cell lines found gene expression changes related to mesothelial cell transformation are involved in DNA repair, cell adhesion, cell migration, macromolecule stability and cell cycle^{124,125}. Altered gene expression patterns in asbestos-induced tumours in rats found up-regulation of *c-myc*, *Fra-1* and *EGFR* at different stages of carcinogenesis and genes involved in integrin-linked signal transduction and extracellular matrix (ECM)¹²⁶.

Studies analysing gene expression in MPM cells (including cell lines) versus non-malignant

mesothelial cells have limited sample size with the largest number of tumour samples being 53 and utilized different microarray platforms across studies^{127–134}. Collectively, these studies showed deregulated genes in MPM are associated with cell cycle, cell proliferation, apoptosis, DNA damage repair, cell adhesion, cell migration, invasion and cytoskeletal support pathways. Genes driving the different phases of cell cycle including checkpoints have been reported by more than two independent studies. The more recent study by Suraokar *et al* with the largest sample size to date revealed mitotic spindle and assembly checkpoint (MSAC) as the most significantly altered pathway followed by cytoskeleton/spindle microtubules network¹³⁴. Eighteen up-regulated MSAC pathway component genes were able to classify the tumours into three molecular subgroups of potential therapeutic implications. Reynies *et al* analysed the expression profile from 38 MPM cultures as well as the mutation status of genes frequently mutated in MPM¹³⁵. This resulted in a three-gene signature (*PPL*, *UPK3B* and *TFPI*) that defined two subgroups that partly correlated with histologic subtype. *BAP1* mutations are frequently detected in subgroup C1 made up of epithelioid subtype and epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) pathway is preferentially upregulated in subgroup C2 that included sarcomatoid MPM characterised by mesenchymal phenotype. At present, molecular classification cannot replace classical histological classification in the clinical settings.

Melaiu *et al* performed an extensive literature review on transcriptome studies (RTS) in MPM combined with data mining (DM)¹³⁶. A total of 397 significant genes were shared between RTS and DM that are significantly involved in pathways associated with focal adhesion, MAPK signalling, p53 signalling, ECM-receptor interaction, regulation of actin cytoskeleton, cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction, neurotrophin signalling and cell adhesion molecules. Notably, genes encoding for matrix components, various cell adhesion molecules such as integrins, cytokines, growth factors and growth factor receptors are over-represented in four

of the pathways. This suggests cell-cell and cell-matrix interactions in the tumour microenvironment appear to be an important biological mechanism in MPM. The same group also identified 119 genes from RTS alone that were differentially expressed in at least two studies and investigated with reverse transcriptase-quantitative PCR in 15 MPM and 20 non-MPM tissue samples. Fifty-nine out of the 119 genes were found to be significantly deregulated and are associated with cell cycle, focal adhesion, ECM-receptor interaction, DNA replication and metabolic pathways¹³⁷. Of these, nine genes (*ACSL1*, *CCNO*, *CFB*, *PDGFRB*, *SULF1*, *TACC1*, *THBS2*, *TIMP3*, *XPOT*) were significantly deregulated in both MPM cell lines and 12 genes (*ASS1*, *CCNB1*, *CDH11*, *COL1A1*, *CXADR*, *EIF4G1*, *GALNT7*, *ITGA4*, *KRT5*, *PTGIS*, *RAN*, *SOD1*) in at least one MPM cell line.

Several groups have generated list of gene classifier from microarray gene expression analysis to improve prognostic assessments. Pass *et al* profiled 21 MPM tumour tissues from pre-surgical patients and constructed a 27-gene classifier that predicted long- and short-term survivors post surgery¹³⁸. Lopez-Rios *et al* identified higher expression levels of Aurora kinases A and B, genes related to cell cycle and mitosis, correlated with shorter survival and generated a 29-gene classifier predictive of 1 year survival¹³⁹. A 22-gene list of prognostic genes was published by Gordon *et al* and validated gene expression ratios of four of the genes (*KIAA0977*, *GDIA1*, *L6*, *CTHBP*) that could predict treatment-related outcomes irrespective of histologic subtypes¹⁴⁰. In a subsequent study the same group came up with another prognostic classifier with a 7-gene list and the expression ratios of four (*CD9*, *KIAA1199*, *THDB*, *DLG5*) of the genes were validated to predict 1 year survival¹⁴¹. Another study undertaken by Glinsky *et al* used 11-gene signature of the polycomb group *BMI-1*-driven pathway in several cancer types including MPM that was able to predict therapy failure and short survival¹⁴². There is a lack of concordance between all these studies with few overlapping genes. Three genes were reproducible individually between two studies: *BTG2*

has anti-proliferative function and involved in G1/S transition, *SELENBP1* may play a role in ubiquitination-de-ubiquitination-mediated protein degradation and *CFI* is involved in the complement cascade.

1.6.5 Gene mutations and associated pathways

High-throughput sequencing of DNA such as whole exome sequencing (WES) represents another technology that allows a comprehensive characterisation of somatic mutations in protein-coding exons in different cancer types. This has led to better understanding of cancer biology with advances in cancer diagnosis and treatment resulting in improved clinical outcomes.

Alifrangis *et al* presented an abstract on WES and copy number analysis of 19 MPM cell lines and 6 MPM early passage lines¹⁴³. Interestingly, they reported absence of mutations in oncogenes but MPM cell lines harboured mutations in several TSG including *NF2* and detected mutations in histone modifying genes such as *MLL2* and *SETD2*. However, no mutation in *BAP1* was reported. They also performed high-throughput screening across 48 therapeutic compounds and identified phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K)/mammalian target of rapamycin (mTOR) inhibition as the critical pathway to be targeted despite an absence of mutations in PI3K-related genes.

Recently, Guo *et al* performed WES on DNA of 22 MPM frozen tissues collected prior to surgery and matched blood samples¹⁴⁴. This study presented the first unbiased overview of the molecular landscape in MPM. Other studies have used a more directed approach by sequencing genes in specific pathways, known cancer genes and genes with actionable mutations^{145–148}. Guo *et al* identified somatic *BAP1* mutations and copy number alterations in

41% of cases. Another study by Lo *et al* analysed 52 known cancer genes with targeted sequencing on DNA from 123 formalin- fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) MPM tissues. They identified genetic variations in *BAP1* in 58% of cases that significantly correlated with loss of nuclear *BAP1* staining. The frequent mutations in *BAP1* from these two studies further confirmed previous findings of somatic mutations in *BAP1* between 22-61% of MPM cases^{84,106,149}. These mutations result in truncated *BAP1* protein that inhibits nucleus localisation and aberrant deubiquitinase activity.

BAP1 is a TSG involved in various biologic processes including chromatin dynamics, DNA damage response and regulation of the cell cycle and growth. Studies on xenograft models showed transfection of *BAP1* into a *BAP1*-null cell line decreased proliferation while knockout of *BAP1* in adult mice led to myeloid transformation^{150,151}. The mechanisms of how loss of *BAP1* lead to cell transformation is not well understood. It is known that *BAP1* encodes a nuclear ubiquitin C-terminal hydrolase and has been shown to deubiquitinate several proteins including *HCF-1* to modulate expression of genes bound by transcription factors *E2F* and *YY1*¹⁵². *BAP1* together with human orthologues of additional sex combs (*ASXL1/ASXL2*) form the Polycomb repressive deubiquitinase complex and deubiquitinate histone H2A implicated in gene silencing¹⁵³. *BAP1* also interacts with members of the Fox transcription factors (*FOXK1/FOXK2*) that are implicated in cell cycle regulation and proliferation. Recent studies revealed repression of *FOXK2* target genes by *BAP1* but in the absence of *BAP1* upregulation of *FOXK2* target genes is possible only in the presence of Ring1B-BMI1 complex, an E3 ubiquitin ligase for histone H2A¹⁵⁴. Sacco *et al* has shown in their recent work that *BAP1* differentially regulates the expression of class 1 histone deactylase expression with downregulation and upregulation of *HDAC2* and *HDAC1* respectively in MPM cell lines with genetic *BAP1* inactivation¹⁵⁵. This may have therapeutic implication with HDAC inhibitor for patients with *BAP1* mutation. *BAP1* loss is associated

with more aggressive phenotype and high metastatic potential in uveal melanoma but this has not been shown in MPM or associated with any distinct phenotypes except higher smoking rates¹⁵⁶.

Both studies by Guo *et al* and Lo *et al* also reported frequent *NF2* mutations located at 22q12 in about 50% of cases consistent with previous studies on cell lines and primary MPM tumours^{144,146,157}. *NF2* inactivation also occurs as a result of small, large and homozygous deletions of chromosome 22 or possibly through aberrant splicing leading to altered transcripts in tumours that do not harbour mutations or deletions¹⁵⁸. These result in loss of Merlin, a component of the Hippo signalling pathway, and subsequent transcriptional upregulation of *YAPI*, that is negatively regulated by Merlin through phosphorylation and sequestration under physiological state, thus leading to inhibition of cell-cycle arrest and apoptosis¹⁵⁹. In addition, *in vitro* study demonstrated loss of Merlin increased motility and invasiveness of MPM cells through increased phosphorylation of focal adhesion kinase (FAK)¹⁶⁰. Interestingly, a recent study revealed common mechanism between *NF2* and *BAP1*¹⁶¹. The study identified cullin4A-RING E3 ubiquitin ligase (CRL4) as the major binding partner of wild type *NF2* to inhibit CRL4-mediated ubiquitination of histones and other target proteins. Thus loss of *NF2*, leads to activation of CRL4 activity including promoting cell proliferation.

Other than *NF2*, *LATS2* is another component of the Hippo pathway that is inactivated by deletions or mutations in 22% of MPM cell lines and primary tumours¹⁶². A recent study by Miyanaga *et al* analysed the Hippo pathway genes with RNA and targeted exon sequencing¹⁴⁵. They identified not only mutations in *NF2* but also *LATS2*, *RASSF1*, and a gene fusion involving *LATS2-PSEN1*. These data indicate aberrant signalling via the Hippo pathway is an important event in MPM carcinogenesis.

Copy number analysis by Guo *et al* found the commonest focal deletion (45%) encompassed the 9p21 region consistent with a previous study¹⁶³. Deletion of *CDKN2A* leads to loss of p14^{ARF} and p16^{INK4A} that result in degradation of p53 through activation of *MDM2* and inactivation of pRB through activation of *CDK4* respectively. Therefore, genetic defects in p14^{ARF} and p16^{INK4A} lead to deregulated cell cycle control. These alterations are also demonstrated in asbestos-induced MPM in mice and in multiwalled carbon nanotubes-induced MPM as described by Nagai *et al*⁶². Combined knockout of *INK4A* and *ARF* in mice models play a key contributor and displayed accelerated asbestos-induced MPM compared to single gene knockout¹⁶⁴.

Despite the absence of mutations in oncogenes, integrative pathway analysis of the somatic mutations and copy number alterations identified frequent genetic alterations in MAPK, WNT, cell cycle, p53/DNA repair and PI3K-AKT pathways^{144,146}. MAPK signalling cascade is multilevel and occurs in a specific manner with subsequent phosphorylation of cytosolic substrates and translocation to the nucleus to activate transcription factors including c-myc and STATs. *In vitro* studies have demonstrated activation of MAPK signalling as a result of asbestos exposure via *EGFR*-induced ERK activation and via p38 activation that induced a chronic immune response^{59,165}. Cell line studies revealed the invasiveness of MPM cells is linked to phosphorylation of p38 leading to *TGFβ 1*-stimulated production of *MMP2*¹⁶⁶. *In vivo* activation of MAPK in MPM is also evident from analysing phosphorylated proteins by IHC and Western blot but did not differentiate MPM from reactive mesothelial cells thereby questioning its significance in MPM carcinogenesis¹⁶⁷. But another study found significant ERK phosphorylation by IHC in MPM when compared to normal lung tissues and well differentiated lung cancer that may be prognostic¹⁶⁸. More recently, an *in vitro* study showed MAPK genes might have different roles in different MPM subtypes and found *ERK2* to be critical in the transformation and homeostasis of epithelioid MPM¹⁶⁹. Thus, MAPK pathway

requires further investigations as it is important for cell survival and is deregulated in MPM as shown by both exome sequencing and gene expression data.

Both canonical and non-canonical WNT signalling pathways are involved in determining cell fate, cell polarity, cell proliferation and cell death. In the presence of WNT ligands, WNT/ β catenin canonical pathway is activated through formation of a protein complex involving *Fz*, *LRP5/6* and *Dvl* leading to *LRP6* phosphorylation and activation of Axin complex that inhibits degradation of β catenin. Thus β catenin translocates to the nucleus to interact with *TCF/LEF* leading to β catenin- dependent WNT-responsive gene activation¹⁷⁰.

Overexpression of *Dvl* and cytosolic β catenin has been demonstrated in MPM compared to controls and inhibition of *Dvl* leads to significant antitumor effects both *in vivo* and *in vitro*¹⁷¹. Gene expression analysis of WNT pathway genes using a WNT-specific microarrays showed up-regulation of numerous WNT genes (*WNT1*, *WNT2*, *WNT5*) and WNT-related genes (*MYC*, *CCND1*, *JUN*); and down-regulation of WNT antagonists (*DKK1*, *SFRP2*, and *SFRP4*) in MPM¹⁷². The same study also found *WNT2* is frequently upregulated and inhibition of *WNT2* by siRNA or monoclonal antibody resulted in programmed cell death in MPM cells. Further characterization of WNT pathway in MPM has utilized RT-PCR and real time RT-PCR that confirmed frequent overexpression of *WNT3*, *WNT5A*, *FZD2*, *4*, *6* and *LEF1*; and downregulation of *WNT4*, *FZD3*, *SFRP4*, *APC* and axin2¹⁷³. The authors also demonstrated that *WNT3A* stimulated MPM cell proliferation and targeting β catenin could modulate and sensitise MPM cells to cytotoxic drugs. Several antagonists of WNT signalling (*WIF-1*, *SFRP1*, *SFRP2*) are also downregulated in MPM due to promoter hypermethylation as shown by Kohno *et al*¹¹⁵. These results suggest deregulation of the WNT pathway is active and relevant in MPM development thus providing means of therapeutic targets and mode of drug resistance.

The PI3K/AKT/mTOR pathway is a major pathway regulating cell cycle, cell growth, migration, invasion and apoptosis in many cancers. *AKT* activation plays a central role in this pathway that is present in MPM cell lines^{174,175}. Phosphorylated *AKT* is present in 88% of MPM by IHC but not shown to be prognostic¹⁷⁶. *PTEN* is a central negative regulator of *AKT* and cell line study by Suzuki *et al* reported *PTEN* homozygous deletion in MPM contributed to *AKT* activation¹⁷⁵. Loss of *PTEN* expression by IHC was observed in 62% of MPM cases and significantly correlated with shorter survival independent of histologic subtypes¹⁷⁷. A recent study exploring PTEN-PI3K pathway and downstream proteins in MPM by IHC showed nuclear *PTEN* loss in only 23% of cases but confirmed overexpression of other genes in the pathway including *mTOR*, *AKT*, *MAPK* and *FOXO3A*¹⁷⁸. Low protein expression of p36, downstream effector of the pathway, correlated significantly with longer progression-free and overall survival. Apart from loss of *PTEN*, *AKT* is activated by receptor tyrosine kinase (RTK) *EGFR*, *MET* and *AXL*. A cell-line study showed dual targeting of PI3K/mTOR pathway with BEZ235 resulted in greater decreased cell viability and similar results are achieved with combined RTK inhibition compared to single RTK inhibition¹⁷⁹. Infrequent mutation in *PIK3CA*, the activated p110 α catalytic subunit that is essential in translocating *AKT* onto the plasma membrane, was identified by Lo *et al*. Thus, PI3K/AKT pathway is active in MPM and represents a critical pathway to be targeted consistent with the findings by Alifrangis *et al*^{143,146}.

Aberrant cell cycle regulation has been described above and contributes to impaired response to DNA damage. DNA repair pathway plays an important role in maintaining genome stability and defects in repair process (due to altered gene expression or SNPs) leads to carcinogenesis and act synergistically with asbestos while adequate repair leads to chemo- and radiotherapy resistance. Roe *et al* showed up-regulation of three base-excision repair genes (*PCNA*, *FEN1* and *UNG2*) in MPM that represent the major repair system for DNA damage

caused by oxidative stress¹³³. The same study also found upregulation of p44 involved in nucleotide-excision repair. A case control study revealed association of *XRCC1* and *ERCC1* SNPs with MPM in a population exposed to high asbestos level. This suggests increased susceptibility to DNA damage favours asbestos-induced carcinogenicity¹⁸⁰. In addition, polymorphism in *ERCC1* may contribute to cisplatin-resistance. There is little evidence on defect in mismatch-repair system in MPM except upregulation of *MSH6* expression. Genes involved in homologous recombinant repair of double-strand breaks are also upregulated in MPM including *RAD50*, *RAD54L*, *RAD21* and *BRCA2*¹³³. A cell line study also confirmed overexpression of *BRCA1/2* that contributes to treatment resistance but sensitivity to cisplatin could be restored when *BRCA2* level was lowered with *ERK2* inhibitors¹⁸¹. Genes involved in non-homologous end joining repair are also implicated in MPM and include upregulation of *XRCC4* expression, *Ku80* expression and a point mutation in *Ku70* that leads to impair dimerization with *Ku80*^{125,133,182}.

1.7 Conclusions

There is no doubt that progress has been made in the past few years that provided broad insights into the mechanisms of MPM carcinogenesis but improvement in clinical outcome of patients has not been translated. In addition, there are many aspects in MPM carcinogenesis that still remain unclear and unknown. Transcriptome studies have provided invaluable biological mechanisms relevant in MPM carcinogenesis. The lack of reproducible genes between microarray studies could possibly be due to experimental or biology variability such as different microarray platforms, analytical tools, small sample size, contamination of tumour tissues with admixture of non-malignant or stromal tissues. Application of exome sequencing in MPM is still lacking behind compared to other tumours and these are limited by similar reasons as described thus limiting a precise delineation of the molecular landscape

in MPM. Current sequencing studies have revealed lack of any “driver” genes in MPM possibly as a result of large-scale chromosomal loss in MPM and the observed marked heterogeneity in mutation profile between tumours.

Nevertheless, recent findings have been consistent amongst studies with frequent inactivating mutations in *BAP1*, *NF2* and *CDKN2A* and some of the critical genes or pathways have started to emerge as common events in MPM including cell-cell, cell-matrix, Hippo, WNT, PI3K/AKT, MAPK and cell cycle/DNA repair pathways. However, more research are still required in MPM to look for novel biomarkers and therapeutic targets that can eventually lead to clinical benefits. Larger sample size study may be challenging in MPM but the establishment of tissue repositories including the UK Mesobank will aim to provide accessible tissue samples for research. In the interim, small but well-designed studies are still invaluable and by combining datasets from different studies using meta-analysis could lead to identification of more robust and significant genes or pathways for further validation.

In this research, I hope to improve our understanding in the pathogenesis of MPM by examining the gene expression and mutational profiles to identify novel candidate genes and pathways. This research was performed on an independent cohort of MPM tissues and we utilised different data analytical tools compared to published studies for both gene expression and exome sequencing data. The weighted gene co-expression network analysis was used for functional interpretation of differentially expressed genes and this method has not been implemented in MPM study. In terms of whole exome data, candidate variants were selected using different filtering algorithm and criteria.

1.8 Hypothesis

I hypothesise that there are important molecular aberrations responsible in driving MPM carcinogenesis.

1.9 Aims

To identify and validate candidate molecular alterations and pathways in MPM through gene expression profiling and whole exome sequencing.

To correlate these findings with clinical phenotypes for the identification of potential diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic biomarkers.

Chapter 2 - Materials and Methods

2.1 Materials

Table 2.1. Material and Suppliers

Material	Supplier
100-bp DNA ladder	New England Biolabs, Herts, UK
1X Tris-Borate-EDTA buffer	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
Affymetrix [®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate	Affymetrix, California, USA
Agarose	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
Ambion [®] WT Expression Kit	Life Technologies, California, USA
BiOstic [®] FFPE Tissue DNA Isolation Kit	MO Bio Laboratories, California, USA
Chloroform-isoamyl alcohol	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
Deionised distilled water	MilliQ, Hertfordshire, UK
Ethanol	Fisher Scientific, Loughborough, UK
GelRed	Biotium, California, USA
GeneChip [®] hybridisation, wash and stain kit	Affymetrix, California, USA
GeneChip [®] WT Terminal Labeling Kit	Affymetrix, California, USA
HotStarTaq <i>Plus</i> Master Mix Kit	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
Hyclone [™] Water	Fisher Scientific, Loughborough, UK
Isopropanol	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
Membrane Slide 0.17 PEN	Carl Zeiss, Cambridgeshire, UK
Optimal Cutting Temperature compound	Fisher Scientific, Loughborough, UK
Phase Lock Gel	5 Prime, USA
Phenol	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
Proteinase K	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
Qiagen RNeasy [®] fibrous midi kit	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
Quant-iT [™] PicoGreen [®] dsDNA Assay Kit	Life Technologies, California, USA
Revised Primers-SYBR Fast Universal kit	D-Mark Biosciences, Toronto, Canada
RNA 6000 Nano LabChip kit	Agilent Technologies, California, USA
Sample AdhesiveCap 500 clear (D)	Carl Zeiss, Cambridgeshire, UK
Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate (SDS)	Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK
SureSelect ^{XT} Human All Exon V4	Agilent Technologies, California, USA
SureSelect ^{XT} reagent kit	Agilent Technologies, California, USA
TissueRuptor	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
TissueRuptor	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
TissueRuptor disposable probe	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
Tris-HCl	Qiagen, Crawley, UK
Wizard [®] Genomic DNA Purification Kit	Promega, Southampton, UK
Xylene	ReAgent, Cheshire, UK

2.2 Methods

2.2.1 Tissue and clinical data collection

Tissue samples were identified from three institutions (1) the Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Foundation Trust Hospital (RBH), (2) St George's Hospital (SGH) and (3) the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust Hospital (RMH). The use of tissues from RBH was approved by the Respiratory Biomedical Research Units (BRU) Heads of Consortia under the ethical approval given to the BRU Advanced Lung Disease Biobank and the Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust Diagnostic Tissue Bank. A study protocol, Molecular Analyses of Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma (MEMO) (Appendix 2.1), was written by me and co-supervised by the study's primary investigator, Dr Popat. This was approved by research ethics committees and local research and development department for the use of tissues from SGH and RMH.

Funding for this project to cover the costs for sample procurement and reagents was successfully secured from RBH Respiratory BRU Pump-Priming project and RMH Biomedical Research Centre (BRC); both awarded under National Institute for Health Research (NIHR).

Tissue samples identified included frozen tumour tissues stored with or without ribonucleic acid (RNA) *later* and non-malignant frozen pleural tissues stored with or without RNA *later* from RBH. Tissues identified for use under the MEMO study included tumour formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) blocks. In addition, frozen tumour tissues with matched peripheral blood were contributed from an existing study, EQUALITY (an Imperial College London (ICL)-sponsored, prospective study on thoracic cancers undergoing biopsy at SGH (REC reference: 10/H0808/53). Written informed consents for use of tissue +/- blood for research

were available for all participants whose samples were used.

A clinical database was created to store patients' demographic and clinical details collected through retrospective review of case notes and electronic patient records. The data was anonymised in a link-coded manner and entered into a password protected excel worksheet.

The following data if available were collected for all patients:

- date of birth
- gender
- date of diagnosis
- histological subtype
- date of death or last follow up
- history of previous cancer or family history of cancer in first degree relatives
- smoking history and asbestos exposure
- treatment details including types of treatments received, date when treatment was commenced and completed, treatment response and date of disease progression.

2.2.2 Tissue preparation and quality assessment

2.2.2.1 Microtomy

Frozen tissue samples were embedded in Optimal Cutting Temperature (OCT) compound followed by cutting five micrometre (μm) sections on a microtome-cryostat. A maximum of two sections per sample were obtained and mounted onto a glass slide for haematoxylin and eosin (H&E) staining. The remaining frozen tissues were immediately stored back in -80 degrees Celsius ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) freezer after removing as much OCT compound as possible.

Sections from FFPE samples were prepared using a rotary microtome to cut a maximum of two sections of five μm thickness which were mounted onto a glass slide for H&E staining. After histologic assessment, a further five sections were prepared for nuclei acid extractions. In selected FFPE samples for micro-dissection, a further 5-10 sections were prepared and mounted onto a polyethylene naphthalate (PEN)-membrane slide.

2.2.2.2 Haematoxylin and Eosin staining

H&E staining on the sections was performed according to routine histologic protocol¹⁸³. Briefly, the oxidation product of haematoxylin, haematin, stained the nuclei blue and eosin stained the other structures red. Over-staining with eosin was washed out in running water before fixing with xylene.

2.2.2.3 Pathological review

Sections stained with H&E were examined with a brightfield microscope by me in addition to two certified histopathologists (Professor Nicholson and Dr Montero-Fernandez, RBH) for histopathological verification and tumour abundance assessment. Tumour samples with a minimum arbitrary tumour abundance threshold of 30% viable-appearing tumour cells were taken forward for genomic nuclei acid extractions. Non-malignant areas from selected FFPE samples were identified and marked for micro-dissection to obtain matched normal tissue representative of germline genome.

2.2.2.4 Laser-capture micro-dissection

Laser-capture micro-dissection (LCM) on FFPE sections was carried out using the PALM

Microbeam (Carl Zeiss, Cambridgeshire, UK) instrument at UCL Cancer Institute and Wolfson Institute for Biomedical Research Centre. Each sections from the selected FFPE samples for micro-dissection were mounted onto individual PEN-membrane slide which was highly absorptive in the UV (ultraviolet)-A range to facilitate laser cutting. To improve laser cutting efficiency, residual paraffin was removed from each section before micro-dissection. The de-paraffination procedure involved immersing membrane slide in xylene for five minutes repeated twice followed by graduated ethanol washes using 100% ethanol for one minute, 96% ethanol for one minute and 70% ethanol for one minute. The deparaffinised membrane slides were left to dry in room temperature prior to micro-dissection. The areas for micro-dissection in each section were visualised via microscopy (Figure 2.1) and targeted for non-contact LCM with each UV laser pulse (Figure 2.2 & 2.3). The dissected non-tumour areas from each section were catapulted and pooled into a 500 microlitre (μ l) tube with adhesive cap for each FFPE sample. The micro-dissected areas ranged from 50 to 100 μm^2 per dissection and each sample had around 300 to 600 micro-dissections pooled together.

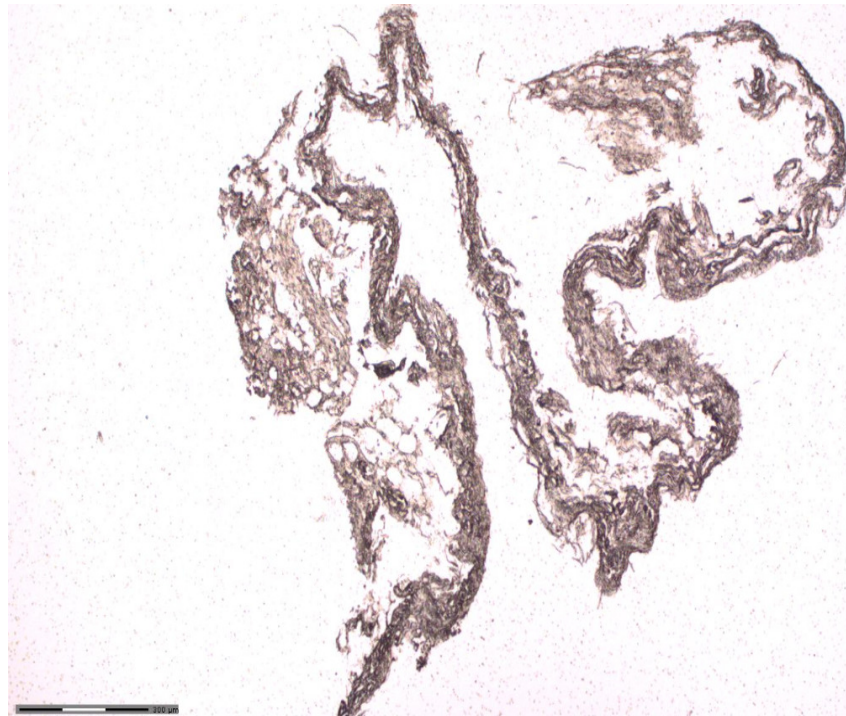


Figure 2.1. Non-tumour areas identified and visualised via microscopy.

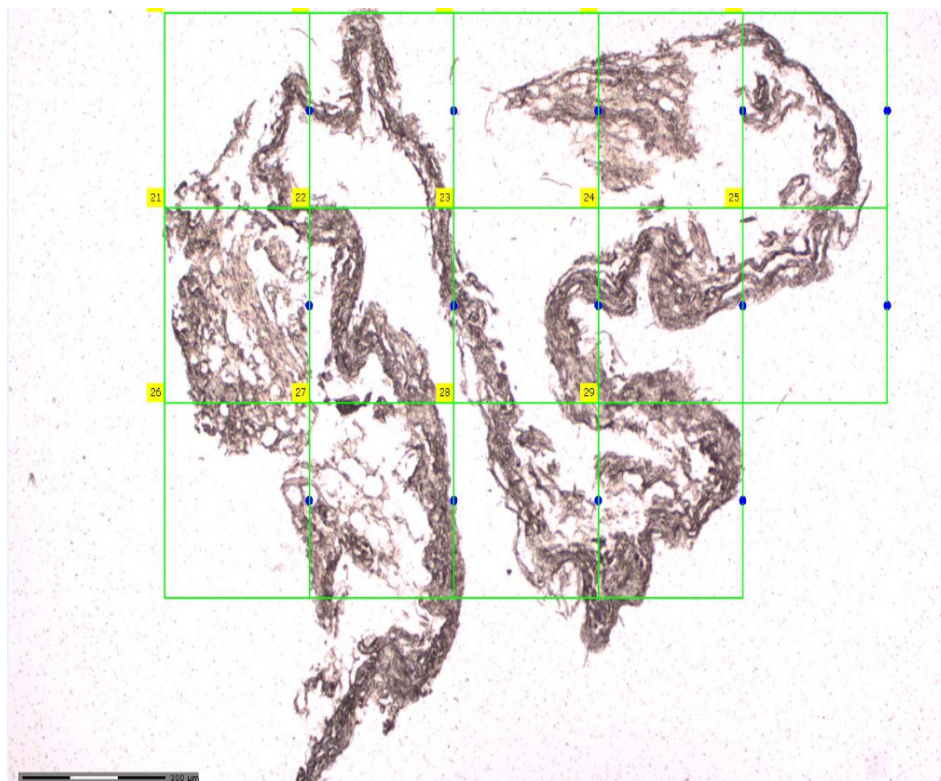


Figure 2.2. Areas for micro-dissection are marked as shown.



Figure 2.3. Dissected sections are catapulted and captured into an adhesive cap tube.

2.2.3 RNA isolation

2.2.3.1 Frozen tissues

Total RNA was isolated from frozen tumour and non-malignant pleural tissues with Qiagen RNeasy[®] fibrous midi kit (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) as per manufacturer's instructions. Each piece of tissue was submerged in two millilitres (ml) of Buffer RLT (guanidine thiocyanate and beta mercaptoethanol) and ruptured using a TissueRuptor disposable probe and the TissueRuptor (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) for just under a minute. Four ml of RNase free water and 65 µl of Proteinase K were added to aid protein digestion and inactivate nucleases followed by incubation in a waterbath at 55°C for 90 minutes. The resulting lysate was centrifuged at 3273 x g for 10 minutes to pellet the cell debris and the supernatant was transferred into a new tube containing three ml of 100% ethanol for RNA precipitation. Three

ml of the mixture were transferred at a time to the Midi spin column containing a silica resin membrane to bind the RNA. The spin column was centrifuged at 3273 x g (Beckman Coulter Allegra® X-12R centrifuge) for five minutes and the flow-through was discarded. This step was repeated until all the mixture was transferred. The spin column was then washed by adding two ml of Buffer RW1 (Guanidine Thiocyanate and ethanol) to remove biomolecules (proteins, fatty acids, carbohydrates) and centrifuged for five minutes at 3270 x g. Contaminating deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) was eliminated by incubation with 160 µl of DNase I (140 µl RDD Buffer and 20 µl DNase I) for 15 minutes at room temperature. The column was incubated with two ml of RW1 buffer at room temperature for two minutes and then centrifuged at 3270 x g for five minutes. This was followed by adding two and a half ml of RPE buffer to remove traces of salt then centrifugation at 3270 x g for five minutes. The bound RNA was eluted from the column by adding 150 µl RNase-free water. The elute was collected from the column following centrifugation at 3270 x g for three minutes and re-applied to the column to repeat the incubation and centrifugation steps once more. The RNA was stored at -80°C until further use.

2.2.3.2 RNA quantification and purity analysis

RNA yield and purity were measured using the Thermo Scientific NanoDrop™ 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Delaware, USA). This records the RNA concentration and the A260/280 ratio. The purity of RNA is determined by absorbance at 260 and 280nm with A260/280 ratio of 1.9 to 2.1 being ideal. A lower value may indicate the presence of other contaminants such as protein or phenol.

2.2.3.3 *RNA quality analysis*

The quality of RNA was assessed using one μ l of RNA samples, the RNA 6000 Nano AssayTM kit and the Agilent 2100 BioanalyserTM. The gel-dye mix was prepared as per manufacturer's instructions. The appropriate well on the RNA chip was loaded with nine μ l of the gel-dye mix and pressure applied to the well via a one ml syringe on a chip priming station. The ladder well and all sample wells were then loaded with five μ l of the RNA 6000 Nano marker. The RNA samples and one μ l of RNA ladder were denatured at 70 °C for two minutes and then loaded to the appropriate wells. The mixture in the wells was mixed by vortexing for one minute at 2400 rates per minute prior to bioanalyser assessment. The integrity of total RNA was assessed using the 2100 Agilent bioanalyser to determine RNA size, quality and quantity by electrophoresis. A software in the bioanalyser classifies total RNA by generating a RNA Integrity Number (RIN) score from one to 10. A score of one indicates degraded RNA and a score of 10 indicates highly intact RNA. A ratio of 28s to 18s ribosomal subunits of 1.9-2.1 also indicates little or no RNA degradation. Figure 2.4 shows two RNA samples with high RIN score.

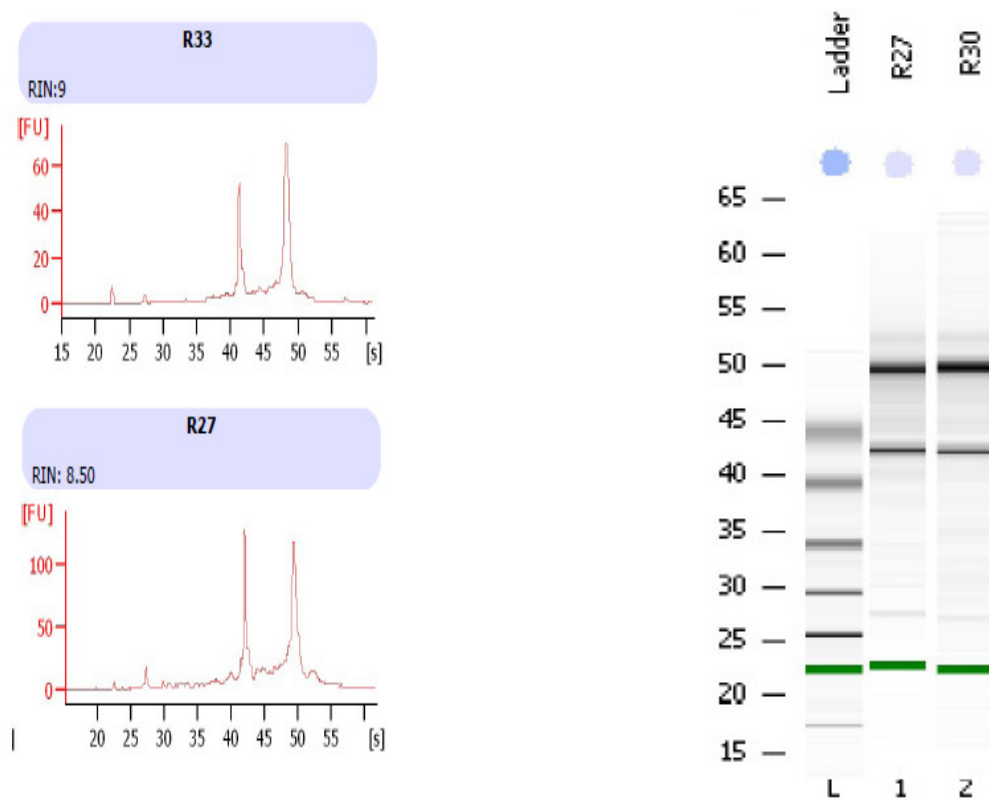


Figure 2.4. Electrophoretic traces generated on Bioanalyser for RNA samples. This figure shows traces from two cases showing high quality RNA with distinct 18S and 28S rRNA peaks (on the left) and the corresponding gel electrophoresis showing discrete bands of high molecular weight RNA.

2.2.4 Gene Expression Profiling

RNA samples from tumour and unmatched non-malignant pleural tissues (control) with A260/280 ratio of ≥ 1.8 and RIN of ≥ 6.0 were labelled and hybridised in two batches on Affymetrix[®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate. The Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate covers > 33,500 coding transcripts, > 11,000 long intergenic non-coding transcripts and > 25,000 RefSeq (Entrez) gene counts. The array provides high coverage of the transcribed genome based on data sourced from RefSeq (release 51), Ensemble (release 65), lncRNA DB and Broad Institute, Human Body Map lncRNAs and TUCP (transcripts of uncertain coding potential) catalogue. The array contains a median of 21 probes per transcript and 25 bases in

length for each unique probe measuring a median of 525 bases per transcript.

The following subsections describe the process of generating amplified sense-strand complementary DNA (cDNA) using the Ambion[®] WT Expression Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA) ready for fragmentation and labelling using Affymetrix GeneChip[®] WT Terminal Labeling Kit (Affymetrix, California, USA) before hybridization onto Affymetrix[®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate (Affymetrix, California, USA). All steps were carried out following the manufacturers' protocols. The starting total RNA quantity was 200 nanogram (ng) for tumour and 100 ng for control samples. The Affymetrix[®] GeneChip[®] Poly-A RNA control kit (Affymetrix, California, USA) was used to prepare Poly-A RNA control dilutions for 100 ng and 200 ng of total RNA used. The controls were amplified and labelled together with the total RNA samples to monitor the efficiency of the labelling process during the entire experiments.

2.2.4.1 cRNA Amplification

The synthesis and purification of amplified antisense complementary RNA (cRNA) involved a two days' process. The first day involved synthesis of first strand cDNA. A master mix containing one µl of first-strand enzyme mix (oligo (T7) primer) and four µl of first-strand buffer mix per reaction was prepared. Five µl of the master mix was added to total RNA made up in three µl nuclease-free water mixed with two µl of diluted Poly-A RNA control. The reaction was incubated for one hour at 25 °C then one hour at 42 °C followed by a final incubation for at least two minutes at four °C in a Pettier Thermal Cycler-PTC225 DNA Engine Tetrad (MJ Research).

The synthesis of second-strand cDNA was generated by the addition of second-strand master

mix containing five µl of second-strand enzyme mix (DNA polymerase and RNase H) mixed with 12.5 µl of second-strand buffer mix and re-suspended in nuclease-free water to achieve a final total volume of 50µl. The samples were then incubated in the thermal cycler for one hour at 16 °C then 10 minutes at 65 °C followed by a final incubation for at least two minutes at four °C. Antisense cRNA was synthesized by *in vitro* transcription (IVT) using 30 µl of the IVT master mix containing 6 µl of IVT enzyme mix (T7 RNA polymerase) mixed with 24 µl of IVT buffer mix added to each sample. This was left to incubate in the thermal cycler for 16 hours at 40 °C.

The second day involved purification of cRNA by removal of contaminants and unincorporated nucleotides. This was carried out by isopropanol precipitation using nucleic acid binding beads. A master mix containing 10 µl of nuclei acid binding beads and 50 µl of nuclei acid binding buffer concentrate for each reaction was prepared. This was added to cRNA together with 60 µl of 100% isopropanol and transferred onto a U-bottom plate. The plate was gently shaken on a Lab-Line Titer Plate Shaker for two minutes. The plate was then placed on a magnetic stand to capture the magnetic beads and the supernatant was discarded. The beads were washed twice using 100 µl of nuclei acid wash solution. The purified cRNA was then eluted from the nucleic acid binding beads by adding 35 µl of preheated elution solution. The concentrations and quality of cRNA were analysed using the NanoDrop-1000 spectrophotometer and RNA 6000 Nano AssayTM kit with the Agilent 2100 BioanalyserTM. An electropherogram of a good cRNA synthesis consisted of a smear of products between 50 and 4500 nucleotides (nt) long as shown in Figure 2.5.

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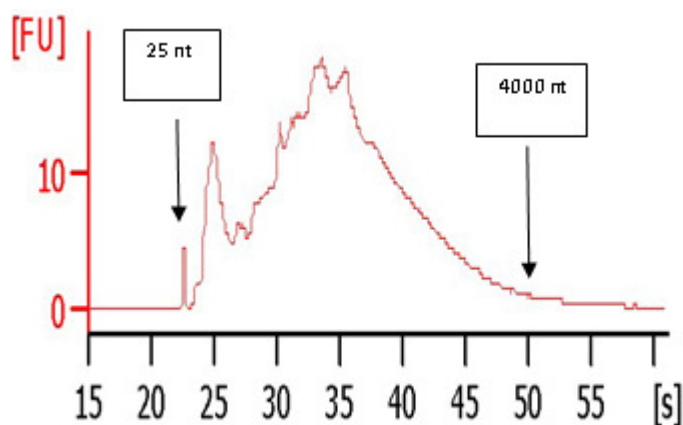


Figure 2.5. Bioanalyser Electropherogram (A) and Gel Image (B) of cRNA. Based on the data from an RNA size reference ladder, the fluorescence of 25 nt is between 20 and 25 seconds and 4000 nt is detected at 50 seconds as marked. [FU], fluorescence unit; [S], second.

2.2.4.2 cDNA Amplification

The synthesis of sense-strand cDNA involved reverse transcription of cRNA using random primers. Ten μg of purified cRNA was prepared and made up to a volume of 22 μl with nuclease-free water. On ice, two μl of random primers were added to each sample followed by denaturing of cRNA in the thermal cycler for five minutes at 70 °C, five minutes at 25 °C and two minutes at four °C. After the incubation, the second cycle master mix was prepared using eight μl of 2nd-Cycle Buffer Mix and eight μl of 2nd-Cycle Enzyme Mix for each reaction. Sixteen μl of the master mix was added to each sample followed by incubation in the thermal cycler for 10 minutes at 25 °C, then 90 minutes at 42 °C and two minutes at four °C. This was followed by the addition of two μl of RNase H to degrade cRNA template leaving only single-stranded cDNA and left to incubate in the thermal cycler for 45 minutes at 37 °C, five minutes at 95 °C and two minutes at four °C.

The purification of cDNA involved ethanol precipitation using nucleic acid binding beads. A

master mix containing 10 μ l of nuclei acid binding beads and 50 μ l of nuclei acid binding buffer concentrate for each reaction was prepared. This was added to cDNA together with 120 μ l of 100% ethanol and transferred onto a U-bottom plate. The plate was gently shaken on a Lab-Line Titer Plate Shaker for two minutes. The magnetic beads were captured with the use of magnetic stand and discarding the supernatant. The beads were washed twice using 100 μ l of nuclei acid wash solution. The cDNA was eluted from the nucleic acid binding beads by the addition of 30 μ l of pre-heated elution solution. The concentrations and quality of purified cDNA were analysed using the NanoDrop-1000 spectrophotometer and RNA 6000 Nano AssayTM kit with the Agilent 2100 BioanalyserTM. The median cDNA profile size should be around 400 nt. The figure below, Figure 2.6, shows an example of a cDNA profile.

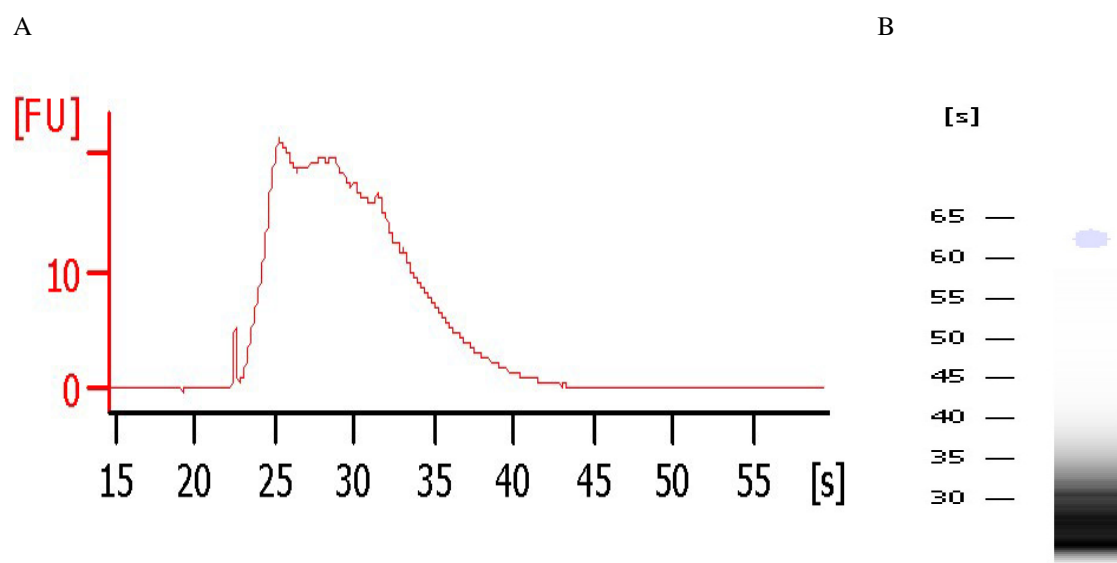


Figure 2.6. Bioanalyser Electropherogram (A) and Gel Image (B) of cDNA. [FU], fluorescence unit; [S], second.

2.2.4.3 Fragmentation, Labelling and Hybridization

The process of cDNA fragmentation, labelling and hybridisation was all carried out on the same day. The Affymetrix GeneChip[®] WT Terminal Labeling Kit (Affymetrix, California,

USA) was used for cDNA fragmentation and labelling. The fragmentation step involved using five and a half μg of single-stranded cDNA made up to a total volume of 31.2 μl with nuclease-free water. The fragmentation master mix was prepared with 10 μl of RNase-free water, 4.8 μl of 10X cDNA fragmentation buffer, one μl of UDG (10 U/ μl) and one μl of APE 1 (1,000 U/ μl) for each reaction. This mixture was added to each sample and left to incubate in the thermal cycler for 60 minutes at 37 °C, two minutes at 93 °C and two minutes at four °C. The quality of fragmented cDNA was analysed using RNA 6000 Nano AssayTM kit with the Agilent 2100 BioanalyserTM. For successful fragmentation, the expected range in peak size of the fragmented samples should be approximately 40 to 70 nt. Figure 2.7 shows an example of a successful cDNA fragmentation.

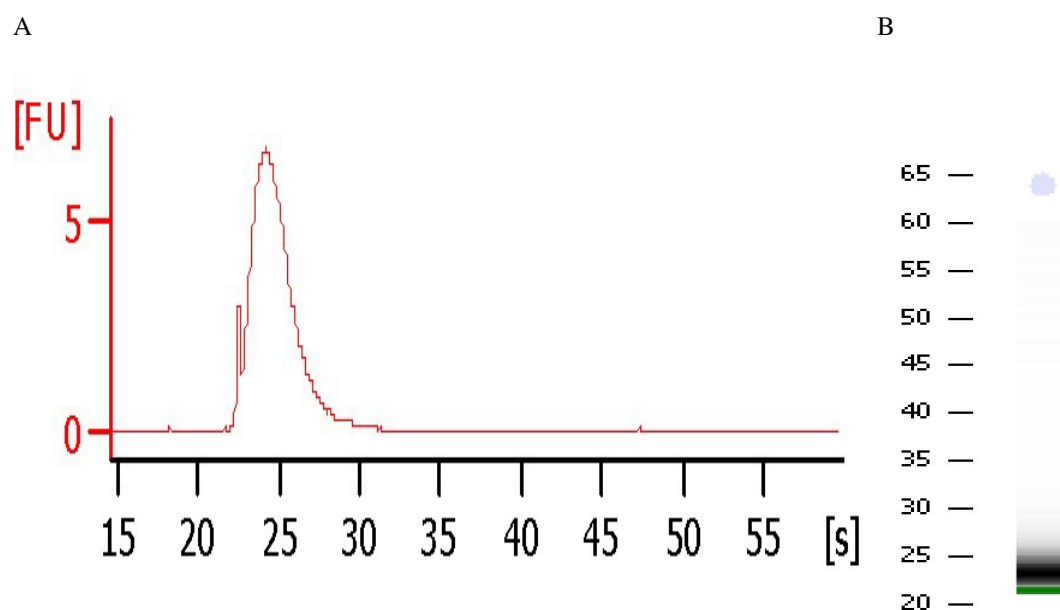


Figure 2.7. Bioanalyser Electropherogram (A) and Gel Image (B) of fragmented ss cDNA. [FU], fluorescence unit; [S], second.

The labelling master mix was prepared using 12 μl of five X TdT buffer, two μl of TdT and one μl of DNA labelling reagent for each reaction. This was added to 45 μl of fragmented single-stranded cDNA samples followed by incubation in the thermal cycler for 60 minutes at

37 °C, 10 minutes at 70 °C and four °C for at least two minutes.

The hybridisation step involved the use of the GeneChip[®] hybridisation, wash and stain kit (Affymetrix, California, USA). The 20X eukaryotic hybridisation controls (*bioB*, *bioC*, *bioD*, *cre*) were denatured at 65 °C for five minutes on a heating block. Hybridization cocktail was prepared and consisted of 1.2 µl of control Oligonucleotide B2, six µl of denatured 20X eukaryotic hybridisation controls, 24 µl of 5X WT Hyb Add 1 and eight µl of 15X W Hyb Add 4 for each array/sample. This cocktail mix was added to 32.8 µl of the fragmented and labelled cDNA. The cocktail was denatured in the thermal cycler for five minutes at 95 °C followed by 45 °C for five minutes and centrifuged for one minute at 5000 rpm at room temperature.

The GeneTitan[™] Multi-Channel Instrument was used to process the array plate from target hybridisation to data generation using a combination of a hybridisation oven, fluidics processing and imaging device. Prior to hybridisation process, the setup of the GeneTitan[™] Instrument involved deionising stain trays and lids, filling up the trays with the recommended buffer, filling up the bottles for washing and emptying the bottle for rinsing. This was followed by loading 90 µl of the centrifuged supernatant hybridisation mix into the appropriate well of the Affymetrix[®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate. The hybridisation process and scanning of the array plate took approximately 16 hours on the GeneTitan[™] Instrument.

2.2.4.4 Pre-processing of raw microarray data

Raw microarray data from Affymetrix was generated with the extension CEL format. The CEL file contained the raw probe data from measured probe intensities in the hybridised

microarray. Data analysis was carried with R studio software and the relevant packages.

The preprocessing steps of Affymetrix probe-level expression data consisted of quality assessment, background adjustment, normalization, and summarization at the probe set level as a measure of the expression level of corresponding messenger RNA (mRNA). The assessment of raw data quality was performed using arrayQualityMetrics (version 3.2)¹⁸⁴. This package produces a comprehensive report in a specified directory and an HTML page. The report contains a metadata table about the quality of the arrays and for outlier detection. The quality assessment is based on comparison between arrays, array intensity distributions and individual array quality.

After removing outlier arrays, the apt-probeset-summarize programme (Affymetrix Power Tools) was used for background correction, normalisation and summarising probe data from CEL files. Probe intensities was adjusted for background intensities (none or nonspecific hybridisation and fluorescent artefacts) to give a more accurate measure of spot intensity. Normalisation was performed to correct for differences in probe intensities between samples based on the assumption that the distribution of intensities was constant and taking into account housekeeping genes and spike in controls. The random multiple access (RMA) procedure was used for both background adjustment using only perfect match (PM) probe intensities and for probe-level data normalisation with quantile normalisation method^{185,186}. This was followed by median polish procedure to summarise the PM intensities. Expression values of each probe set were calculated by using the rmasummary function that summarised the probe set intensity summaries on a logarithm of 2 scale. Transcripts with expression level that were below the median expression value in all samples were identified and removed.

Next, the variability of experimental effects was quantified using principal variance

component analysis (PVCA) (version 1.10 R package) method¹⁸⁷. Variables from the phenotype file were specified and included for PVCA analysis to identify the prominent sources of variability. This method involves principal component analysis to reduce data dimension while retaining the maximum variability of the data, and variance components analysis to fit a mixed linear model to each principal components using a number of factors as random variables. The proportion of total variance was estimated by standardising the corresponding eigenvalues as weights.

2.2.4.5 *Differential Gene expression analysis*

After pre-processing and filtering steps, the gene expression data was analysed using unsupervised 2-dimensional hierarchical clustering algorithm to assess clustering of samples. Differentially expressed genes were identified by applying parametric tests to rank genes with respect to the resulting probability (p)-value using the limma package (version 3.2)¹⁸⁸. First, a design matrix representing the gene expression data and the contrast matrix representing the coefficients of the design matrix that modelled the contrasts of difference between the tumours and controls were specified. A linear model was used to model the data set and the contrast matrix allowed the fitted coefficients to be compared and to generate moderate t-statistics using the empirical Bayes method. The raw p-values were adjusted for multiple testing using the Benjamini & Hochberg method to control for expected false discovery rate (FDR)¹⁸⁹. Transcript clusters were then annotated using HuGene-2_0-st-v1 Transcript Cluster Annotations (Affymetrix, California, USA). Genes with an adjusted p-value of ≤ 0.01 and fold change (FC) in the level of expression of ≥ 2 were selected and analysed using WebGestalt Gene Set Analysis ToolKit to identify enriched Gene Ontology (GO) terms and Kyoto Encyclopaedia of Genes and Genomes (KEGG) pathways¹⁹⁰.

2.2.4.6 *Weighted gene co-expression network analysis*

The weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA, version 1.49) was used to construct MPM-associated gene co-expression networks and identification of potential hub genes (genes with high connectivity) contributing to MPM carcinogenesis¹⁹¹. Differentially expressed genes with an adjusted p-value of ≤ 0.05 were selected together with clinicopathological variables for WGCNA analysis.

Firstly, gene expression profiles were converted into connection weights using a Pearson correlation to relate every pairwise gene-gene relationship. These were then transformed into an adjacency matrix by using a soft thresholding power β . A power β of nine was chosen based on the network exhibiting approximate scale-free topology criteria and high connectivity. The adjacency was then transformed into a network distance measure known as the topological overlap matrix (TOM) to allow identification of genes that form highly integrated clusters of co-expressed genes (modules). Modules containing genes with high topological overlap were identified by (1) calculating the corresponding TOM dissimilarity measures (TOM-1), (2) hierarchical clustering analysis to produce a clustering dendrogram of genes based on TOM dissimilarity, (3) dynamic tree-cut algorithm to calculate the module eigengenes and clustering them based on a height cut of 0.25 corresponding to a correlation of 0.75.

Next, the module eigengenes (MEs) were computed by retaining the first principal component following principal components analysis of the $\log_2$ expression data for each module. MEs represent a summary measure for the overall co-expression network in that module. The MEs were then tested for association with clinicopathological variables adjusted for age and gender using the linear regression model. The resulting p-values were adjusted for multiple testing by

Benjamini & Hochberg method. For each gene, an intramodular connectivity (k_{me}) was calculated that measured its connectivity with respect to other genes in a particular module. Module membership (MM) of a gene was derived from Pearson's correlation coefficient between the expression profile of that particular gene and the MEs.

The biological significance of a gene to a clinical variable known as gene significance (GS) was calculated for each gene. The linear regression model was used to regress the clinicopathological variables and individual gene expression profile adjusted for age and gender. The GS measure was defined as minus the logarithm of the resulting adjusted p-value. To assess associations with survival data, Cox proportional hazards model was used to regress survival time on individual gene expression profile adjusted for age and gender. The hazard ratio was computed with the corresponding p-value for each genes and the prognostic GS of a gene was defined as minus the logarithm of the p-value. The ModuleEnrichment function was used to generate bar plot, 95% confidence interval of the mean and a Kruskal Wallis p-value to identify modules enriched with genes associated with survival. Spearman's correlation was used to relate the GS and k_{me} or MM that allowed us to identify potential hub genes that have high GS for the clinical variable of interest and high connectivity within the module.

The network from WGCNA analysis was visualised through Cytoscape Software 3.0.1¹⁹². Reactome Cytoscape Plugin was used for functional enrichment analysis for GO terms and associated pathways. CyTargetLinker from Cytoscape was used to generate biological networks with regulatory and drug-target interactions. Regulatory data was extracted from homosapiens Regulatory Interaction Networks, Cytoscape.

2.2.5 DNA isolation

2.2.5.1 Frozen tissues

Total genomic DNA was isolated from frozen tumour tissues containing 30% or more viable-appearing tumour cells using the phenol-chloroform method. Each piece of tissue was ruptured in 2710 µl re-suspension buffer (0.075M NaCl, 0.024M EDTA pH 8, deionised distilled water) and 271µl 10% SDS using a TissueRuptor disposable probe and the TissueRuptor (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) for approximately one minute. This was followed by adding 22µl of Proteinase K to aid protein digestion and the resulting lysate was left to incubate overnight in a water bath at 37°C.

On the following day, three ml of the clear lysate was transferred to a pre-spun light phase lock gel tube containing an equal volume of buffered phenol solution, mixed thoroughly and centrifuged for 10 minutes at 2000 x g (Beckman Coulter Allegra® X-12R centrifuge) to yield a lower organic protein-containing phase and an upper nuclei acid containing aqueous phase. Next, three ml of phenol:chloroform:isoamyl solution (25:24:1) were added and centrifuged for 10 minutes at 2000 x g. In order to partition the remaining lipids, three ml of chloroform:isoamyl (24:1) were added and centrifuged for 10 minutes at 2000 x g. The aqueous phase was decanted into a new tube containing 300µl Sodium Acetate and six ml of 100% ethanol for precipitation and cooled for 90 minutes at -20°C. DNA pellet was separated from the supernatant by centrifugation at 1800 x g and at four °C for one hour. The supernatant was removed and the pellet was left to dry at room temperature for 20 - 30 minutes to remove traces of ethanol. Finally, DNA was re-suspended in 250µl 10mM Tris-HCL (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) and stored overnight at four °C. DNA was assessed for quality and yield the next day and the remaining samples were stored at -80°C until further use.

2.2.5.2 *Blood*

DNA isolation from whole blood samples identified from EQUALITY study was carried out using Wizard[®] Genomic DNA Purification Kit (Promega, Southampton, UK) following the manufacturer's instructions. Blood sample was transferred into a 50 ml centrifuge tube containing 30 ml of Cell Lysis solution for red blood cells lysis. These were mixed thoroughly by inverting the tube several times. The mixture was incubated at room temperature for 30 minutes on a rocker set at medium speed. This was followed by centrifugation at 2000 x g for 10 minutes at room temperature. The supernatant was discarded leaving behind the white blood cells pellet with approximately 1.4ml of residual liquid. The white blood cells were re-suspended by vortexing the tube vigorously followed by the addition of 10ml of Nuclei Lysis solution to lyse the white blood cells. The mixture was incubated in a water bath at 37°C for two hours. The cellular proteins were removed by salt-precipitation method involving the addition of 3.3 ml of Protein Precipitation Solution and centrifugation at 2000 x g at room temperature for 10 minutes. This resulted in a lower protein-containing phase and an upper genomic DNA-containing phase. The supernatant was transferred to a fresh tube containing 10 ml of isopropanol to concentrate and desalt the genomic DNA. By gently inverting the tube, DNA was visible as thread like strands and DNA pellet was obtained by centrifugation the mixture at 2000x g for two minutes at room temperature. After discarding the supernatant, 10 ml of 70% ethanol was added to wash the DNA pellet followed by centrifugation at 2000 x g for 2minutes. The ethanol was discarded and DNA pellet was left to air dry for 10 minutes. Finally, the DNA was re-suspended in 800 µl of rehydration solution and left to incubate for few days at four °C before assessing the quality and yield.

2.2.5.3 FFPE

DNA was isolated from five micro-dissected FFPE sections of five μm thickness using the BiOstic[®] FFPE Tissue DNA Isolation Kit (MO Bio Laboratories, California, and USA). This was carried out by collaborators at McGill University and Genome Quebec Innovation Centre, Canada. Briefly, paraffin wax from samples was melted away using an optimised wax melting buffer without the use of organic solvent, xylene, and the addition of proteinase K to aid tissue digestion. This was followed by a 90°C heating step to remove cross-linking in DNA. The sample was then mixed with a salt binding buffer and 100% ethanol for binding to silica filters. Impurities were washed from the column and pure DNA was eluted in a low salt buffer.

2.2.5.4 DNA quantification and purity analysis

DNA yield and purity were assessed using the Thermo Scientific NanoDropTM 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Delaware, USA). This records the DNA concentration and the A₂₆₀/A₂₈₀ ratio. DNA concentration is determined by absorbance at 260 nm, the peak for DNA, and the modified Beer Lambert equation (a reading of 1.0 at 260 nm corresponded to 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ of double-stranded DNA). Purity is estimated by the ratio of absorbance at 260 and 280 nm. The absorbance at 260 nm measures not only double-stranded DNA but also single-stranded DNA and other contaminants such as proteins and extraction buffers. A ratio around 1.8 indicates good quality DNA. Lower values indicate protein contamination and higher values of 2.1 or more indicate RNA contamination.

DNA quantification was also performed by fluorometry using Quant-iTTM PicoGreen[®]

dsDNA Assay Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA). This was carried out by collaborators at McGill University and Genome Quebec Innovation Centre, Canada, on DNA isolated from frozen samples sent for whole exome sequencing and from micro-dissected FFPE sections. PicoGreen[®] quantified double-stranded DNA with high sensitivity. The fluorescent dye exhibits an emission peak at 530 nm and fluorescent enhancement is exceptionally high when bound specifically to double-stranded DNA.

2.2.6 Whole exome sequencing

Whole exome sequencing of genomic DNA was carried out by collaborators at McGill University and Genome Quebec Innovation Centre, Canada, with Illumina HiSeq platform. This platform utilises sequencing by synthesis technology to generate exome data¹⁹³. The technology enables detection of single bases when added to DNA strands using fluorescent reversible terminator deoxyribonucleotides. The images of fluorescent terminator are captured as deoxyribonucleotide triphosphate (dNTP) is added, and then cleave so that the next base could be added and imaged. The presence of four reversible terminator-bound dNTPs minimises incorporation bias present during each sequencing cycle.

Libraries were generated robotically using SureSelect^{XT} reagent kit (Agilent Technologies, California, USA) following the SureSelect^{XT} Target Enrichment System for Illumina Paired-End Multiplex Sequencing protocol. Briefly, three µg of concentrated and purified genomic DNA was fragmented to around 200 base pairs (bp) using the Covaris instrument. After end-repair and A-tailing, sequencing adapters were ligated onto the DNA fragments followed by PCR amplification of the adaptor-ligated library. After purification with AMPure XP beads, the adapter-ligated DNA libraries were concentrated for hybridisation using SureSelect^{XT} Human All Exon V4 baits (Agilent Technologies, California, USA). The captured product was

amplified with indexing primers by PCR and purified with AMPure XP beads. The concentration of the sequencing libraries was quantified using the Quant-iT™ PicoGreen® dsDNA Assay Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA) and the Kapa Illumina GA with Revised Primers-SYBR Fast Universal kit (D-Mark). Average size fragment was determined using a LaChip GX (PerkinElmer) instrument. Each captured library was loaded on the Illumina HiSeq2000 for sequencing according to standard protocols

2.2.6.1 Data processing and quality control

Raw image files were processed with Illumina base calling software 1.7 for base calling using default parameters and the sequences of each library were generated as 90 bp paired-end reads. The target regions were sequenced to 100-160X mean coverage in each sample. These were trimmed from the 3' end to give a base quality score of at least 30 as encoded in phred 33. Sequencing adapters were clipped off to generate all reads with a length of at least 50 bp.

The reads were then mapped to the reference human genome (UCSC hg19) using Burrows–Wheeler aligner¹⁹⁴. A single global Binary Alignment Map (BAM) file for each tumour and normal samples was generated using the Picard software¹⁹⁵. Data quality control was processed with GATK software as suggested by the Broad Institute and these include realignment of short insertions and deletions (indels), recalculation of the realigned read mate coordinates, marking of read duplicates and base quality recalibration to generate a more accurate quality score based on covariates such as reported quality score, position within the read accounting for the preceding and current nucleotide.

2.2.6.2 Variant analysis

GATK Unified Genotyper variant discovery tool was used for calling variants from the processed BAM files¹⁹⁶. This was followed by variant score recalibration for single nucleotide variants (SNVs) and indels separately to generate variant call format (VCF) files for SNVs and indels respectively. The VCF files were annotated using ANNOVAR¹⁹⁷ to obtain gene-based (e.g. functional consequences on genes), region-based (e.g. conserved regions) and filter-based annotations (e.g. 1000 Genomes Project, dbSNP) for each variant.

In order to identify candidate SNVs and indels, the annotated files were subjected to a series of filtering steps. Somatic variants were identified after removing variants present in the matched normal samples. Common single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) present in dbSNP138, 1000 Genomes Project and NHLBI GO Exome Sequencing Project 6500 were filtered out. The functional significance of each variant was assessed using Polyphen-2 (genetics.bwh.harvard.edu/pph2/), SIFT (sift.jcvi.org/) and MutationTaster (www.mutationtaster.org/) programs, which score variants by the predicted effect on protein functions. Variants with non-deleterious or non-damaging functional consequences were removed.

Potential driver mutations were identified from one of the following criteria:

- somatic non-synonymous SNV predicted to alter protein function by one of the three algorithms: Polyphen-2 (genetics.bwh.harvard.edu/pph2/), SIFT (sift.jcvi.org/) and MutationTaster (mutationtaster.org/)
- recurrent somatic mutations that cluster in a specific domain of the gene (mutation

hotspots) or recurrent somatic mutations distributed along a gene

- genes implicated in other types of malignancy

Pathways enrichment of somatic mutations (nonsense, damaging or deleterious missense, splicing mutations and indels) were analysed with NetworkAnalyst tool whereby genes from our exome data were used as priory and mapped to a manually curated protein-protein interaction database to construct non-random networks¹⁹⁸.

2.2.6.3 *Polymerase chain reaction and Sanger sequencing*

Candidate point mutations or indels identified from whole exome sequencing were chosen for confirmation by amplifying the region of interest using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) followed by DNA sequencing with chain-terminating inhibitors method, Sanger sequencing. This method is based on the incorporation of 2',3'dideoxynucleotides (ddNTP's) by DNA polymerase at the 3' end of the growing chain during in vitro DNA replication. Chain elongation is terminated selectively at A, C, G or T due to the lack of 3'-hydroxyl group¹⁹⁹.

First, the genomic sequence of the candidate variants was obtained from UCSC Genome Browser (UCSC Genome Bioinformatics). PCR primers of at least 200 bases long were designed using the Primer3web (version 4.0.0) or ExonPrimer (<http://ihg.gsf.de/ihg/ExonPrimer.html>) programme and checked for sequence specificity with In-Silico PCR (UCSC Genome Bioinformatics). A working solution of 10 micro-molar (μM) for each primer pair was prepared using five μl of 50 μM stock solution of the forward primer and five μl of 50 μM stock solution of the reverse primer in 15 μl of HycloneTM molecular biology grade water (Fisher Scientific, Loughborough, UK). The primer pairs were initially tested on one μl of control DNA (10ng/ μl). Next, DNA from tumour +/- normal (10ng/ μl)

samples with the candidate mutations was subjected to PCR using the specific primer pairs.

Each 20 µl of the PCR reactions consisted of 10 µl of the HotStarTaq *Plus* Master Mix (HotStarTaq *Plus* DNA polymerase, PCR Buffer with 3mM MgCl₂ and 400 µM of each dNT, HotStarTaq *Plus* Master Mix Kit, Qiagen, Crawley, UK), eight µl of RNase-Free Water (HotStarTaq *Plus* Master Mix Kit, Qiagen, Crawley, UK), one µl of tumour+/-normal DNA (10ng/ µl) and one µl of the primer pair working solution.

PCR was carried out using Pettier Thermal Cycler–PTC225 DNA Engine Tetrad (MJ Research). The PCR cycling conditions were optimised and consisted of an initial activation of HotStarTaq *Plus* DNA polymerase at 95°C incubation step for five minutes followed by 35 cycles of denaturing at 95°C for 15 seconds, annealing at 56 °C for 30 seconds, extension at 72 °C for 30 seconds and a final hold at 4 °C.

Gels were prepared using two grams (gm) of 2 % agarose (Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK) in 100 ml of 1X Tris-Borate-EDTA buffer (Sigma-Aldrich, Dorset, UK) and dissolved in a microwave. One µl of GelRedTM (Biotium, California, USA) was then added to the gel solution. The solution was poured into a gel-casting tray with comb inserted and allowed to set at room temperature for 30 minutes. A 100-bp DNA ladder (New England Biolabs, Herts, UK) was used as the molecular size marker and samples were loaded into individual wells and electrophoresed in 1X Tris-Borate-EDTA buffer at 100 voltages for 45 minutes. The agarose gel was then inspected under ultraviolet light (FirstLight UV illuminator, Ultra Violet Products Inc., BioDoc-ItTM imaging system) to visualize the bands of the amplicons.

The amplicons were subjected to Sanger sequencing provided by Eurofins Genomic. The results were available in SEQ file and analysed using SEQUENCHER (Gene Codes

Corporation) that allowed editing, trimming and quality checks of the sequences to detect the mutation of interest.

Chapter 3 - Global Gene Expression Profiling of

Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

3.1 Introduction

Gene expression profiling using high-throughput array-based technologies allows simultaneous analysis of many genes from multiple samples. Studying the altered expression of genes, including oncogenes and tumour suppressor genes, and correlations with cellular and physiological state would lead to better understanding of cancer biology. Cancers including malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) are classified primarily based on histopathological features of the tumour but similar morphological subtypes show clinical heterogeneity in terms of prognosis and response to therapies. Global gene expression profiling allows identification of new subtypes based on gene signatures to improve class classification, prognosis and response to treatment prediction²⁰⁰. This is particularly important in clinical setting as it could potentially lead to personalised therapies based on the molecular signatures of the cancer such as in breast cancer and diffuse large B-cell lymphoma^{201,202}.

Till date numerous microarray studies on gene expression in MPM have been conducted and reviewed by Melaiu *et al*¹³⁶. These studies were carried out on cell lines and on human MPM tissues to improve diagnosis, histological classification and identification of predictive biomarkers for this fatal disease. These have identified deregulated oncogenes, tumour suppressor genes and other genes of prognostic value. However, these biomarkers have not proven to be of clinical value as majority of them have not been reproducible between various studies. These could be due to several reasons including relatively small sample size, contamination of tumour samples with normal stromal cells that prevents precise delineation

of deregulated genes, use of different microarray platforms and inconsistent statistical methodologies. Nevertheless, data from further microarray studies could be still be useful in identifying novel biomarkers and could be integrated with existing data to increase statistical power for meta-analysis.

The first objective of this chapter is to identify genes that are deregulated in MPM compared to non-malignant pleura (controls) and their associated enriched pathways. Secondly, we applied weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA), a ‘guilt-by-association’-based method which has not been performed in MPM gene expression studies, to detect clusters of genes that are coexpressed or coregulated (modules) independent of the clinical phenotypes across the MPM cases²⁰³. This methodology has been applied successfully in cancer research and has led to the identification of several molecular targets including *ASPM* gene in glioblastoma²⁰⁴. Genes that are coexpressed may share similar biological process and provide further biological information about the genes that are differentially expressed between MPM and controls. The identified modules are then tested for association with clinical phenotypes including histological subtypes and survival outcome. The pathways and networks of these clusters will be interrogated to reveal their roles in the pathogenesis of MPM.

3.2 Materials and methods

3.2.1 Tissues acquisition

Tissues used for total ribonucleic acid (RNA) extractions were provided by Biomedical Research Units (BRU) Advanced Lung Disease Biobank and the Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust Diagnostic Tissue Bank. The use of these tissues had been ethically approved and

written informed consents from patients were verified. A total of 26 MPM and 10 control frozen tissues stored with or without RNA *later* were identified. Tissues not stored in RNA *later* were subjected to pathological review using newly prepared haematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections to confirm diagnosis and tumour abundance (Chapter 2 section 2.2.2.2 and 2.2.2.3). For all other tissues, histopathological reports were checked and verified. Tissues used as controls were taken from patients who underwent surgical procedures for pneumothorax and the histology was non-malignant reactive pleura.

3.2.2 RNA isolation, quantification and quality assessments

Total RNA was extracted from the collected tissues using Qiagen RNeasy[®] fibrous midi kit (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.3.1. RNA concentration and yield were quantified with Thermo Scientific NanoDropTM 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Delaware, USA). The quality of RNA was assessed with RNA 6000 Nano AssayTM kit and the Agilent 2100 BioanalyserTM (Agilent Technologies, California, USA) (Chapter 2 section 2.2.3.3). A RNA Integrity Number (RIN) score was generated to assess the quality of each RNA samples.

3.2.3 Gene expression profiling

Section 2.2.4 in Chapter 2 described in detail the process of gene expression profiling carried out with Affymetrix[®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate (Affymetrix, California, USA). Briefly, this involved generating amplified sense-strand complementary deoxyribonucleic acid (cDNA) with the Ambion[®] WT Expression Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA) for fragmentation and labelling processes using Affymetrix GeneChip[®] WT Terminal Labeling Kit (Affymetrix, California, USA). The sense-strand cDNA was then hybridised onto

Affymetrix[®] Human Gene 2.1 ST Array Plate (Affymetrix, California, USA) and processed with GeneTitan[™] Multi-Channel Instrument.

3.2.4 Data pre-processing and analysis

The quality assessment of raw probe level intensity data was carried out with Expression Console (EC) software (Affymetrix, California, USA) and arrayQualityMetrics (version 3.2) as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.4 The preprocessing steps included background adjustment, normalisation, and summarisation at the probeset level as a measure of the expression level of corresponding mRNA with the apt-probeset-summarize programme (Affymetrix Power Tools).

Differentially expressed probesets with a false discovery rate (FDR) of 1% and fold change (FC) in expression level of ≥ 2 in MPM compared to controls were identified using the empirical Bayes method (Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.5). The genes were interrogated for gene ontology (GO) terms and Kyoto Encyclopaedia of Genes and Genomes (KEGG) pathways enrichment using WebGestalt Gene Set Analysis ToolKit²⁰⁵. We then applied weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA version 1.49) on the differentially expressed probesets with a FDR of 5% to identify clusters of co-expressed genes (modules) based on topological overlap matrix (TOM) dissimilarity measure (Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.6). The associations between modules and clinical variables including survival time were assessed using linear regression model adjusted for gender and age.

3.3 Results

Total RNA was extracted from 26 MPM and 10 non-malignant pleural tissues (controls). The

mean RNA yield and RIN were 74.4 μg and 8.2 respectively for MPM, and 47.7 μg and 7.6 respectively for controls. The table (Table 3.1) below shows the results of the total RNA yield and RIN obtained.

Table 3.1. Total RNA results. Control samples denoted by C, Epithelioid MPM by E, Biphasic MPM by B, Sarcomatoid MPM by S.

Sample ID	Histology	Cx (ng/ul)	Yield (μg)	RINS
C2	C	117.8	17.7	8.8
C3	C	37.6	5.6	7.2
C4	C	146.9	22.0	7.1
C5	C	1081.3	162.2	7.9
C8	C	862.2	129.3	6.8
C10R	C	376.3	56.4	7
C11	C	34.5	5.2	6.5
C12R	C	43.9	6.6	8.4
C13	C	72.1	10.8	8.6
C14	C	406.4	61.0	7.4
M1	E	1802.2	270.3	9.2
M2	B	1461.2	219.2	6.4
M3	E	1234	185.1	9.2
M4	E	1163.1	174.5	8.5
M5	E	784.3	117.6	8
M6	B	551.8	82.8	8.7
M7	E	550.8	82.6	8.5
M8	E	497.8	74.7	9.3
M9	E	465	69.8	7.9
M10	E	429.1	64.4	8.9
M11	E	378	56.7	6.6
M12	B	368.9	55.3	9
M13	E	356.2	53.4	8.2
M14	E	343.5	51.5	8.5
M15	E	310.7	46.6	9.1
M16	E	291.7	43.8	7.6
M17	E	287.9	43.2	8.2
M18	E	269.5	40.4	8.8
M19	S	261.8	39.3	7.1
M20	E	219.5	32.9	7.7
M21	B	208.7	31.3	9.1
M22	E	168.9	25.3	8.1
M23R	E	154.9	23.2	7.6
M24	B	132.6	19.9	7.1
M25	E	106.3	16.0	7.8
M26	E	93.8	14.1	7.7

3.3.1 Quality assessment and microarray preprocessing steps

The Expression Console software (Affymetrix, California, USA) was used to monitor assay data quality by assessing control probes such as target prep or hybridisation controls. Each array contains probe sets for Poly-A RNA controls from *B. subtilis* genes (*lys*, *phe*, *thr* and *dap*) that are absent in eukaryotic samples. The Poly-A RNA controls were spiked in to total RNA samples and evaluated like internal control genes to monitor the labelling process during the entire experiments. The signals should be present for all of the Poly-A controls with ascending values in the order of *lys*, *phe*, *thr* and *dap* as shown in Figure 3.1.

The hybridisation controls (*BioB*, *BioC*, *BioD* and *Cre*) were mixed in to the hybridisation cocktail after target preparation. This allows evaluation of hybridisation efficiency independent of the prior target preparation steps. *Bio B* (red) should be present at least 70% of the time and the signals for the others should be in the ascending order of *Bio C* (blue), *Bio D* (green) and *cre* (pink) as shown in Figure 3.2.

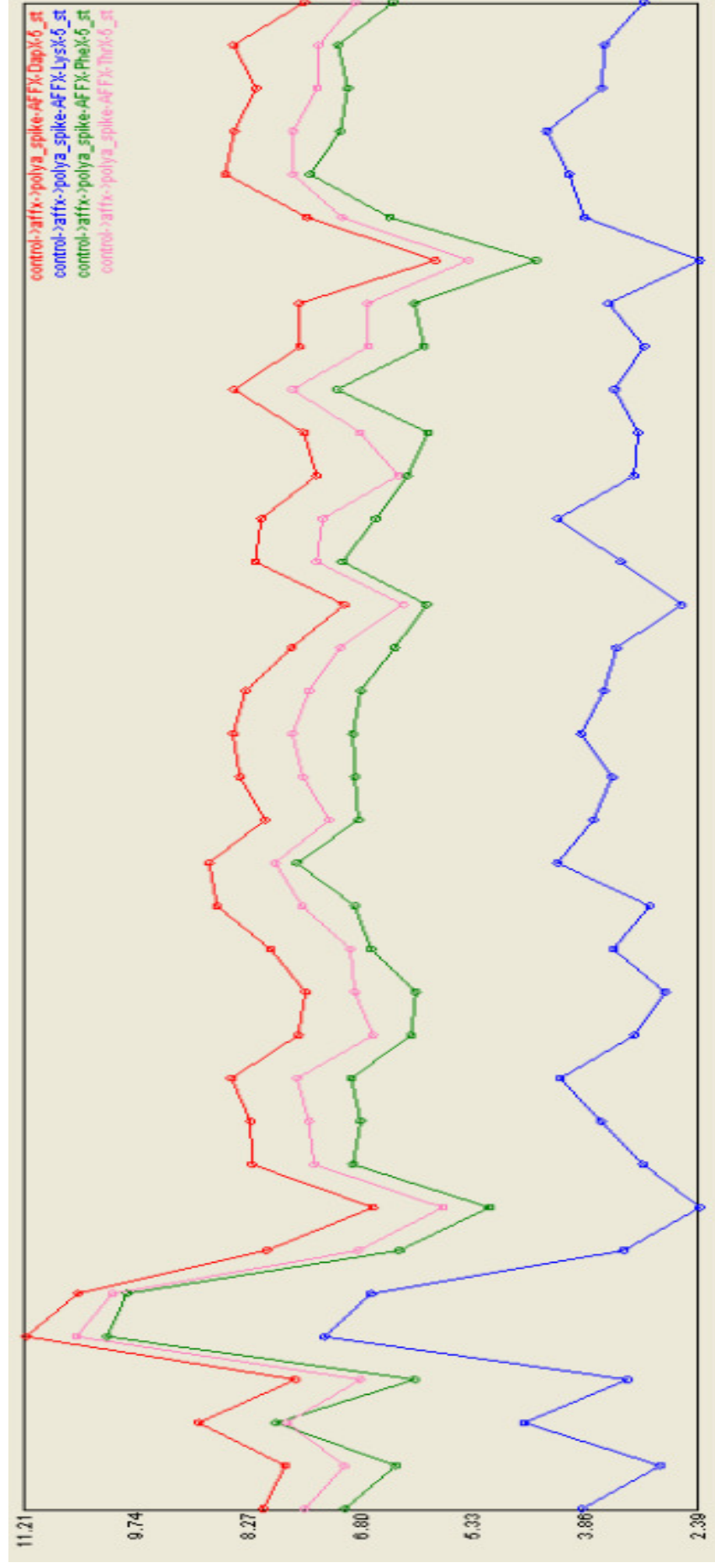


Figure 3.1. Signal values for Poly-A controls. Each sample is represented by a dot on the line and signal value for each polyA spike control is shown on y-axis. The graph shows the presence of signals for all Poly-A controls with ascending values in the order of *lys*, *phe*, *thr* and *dap*.

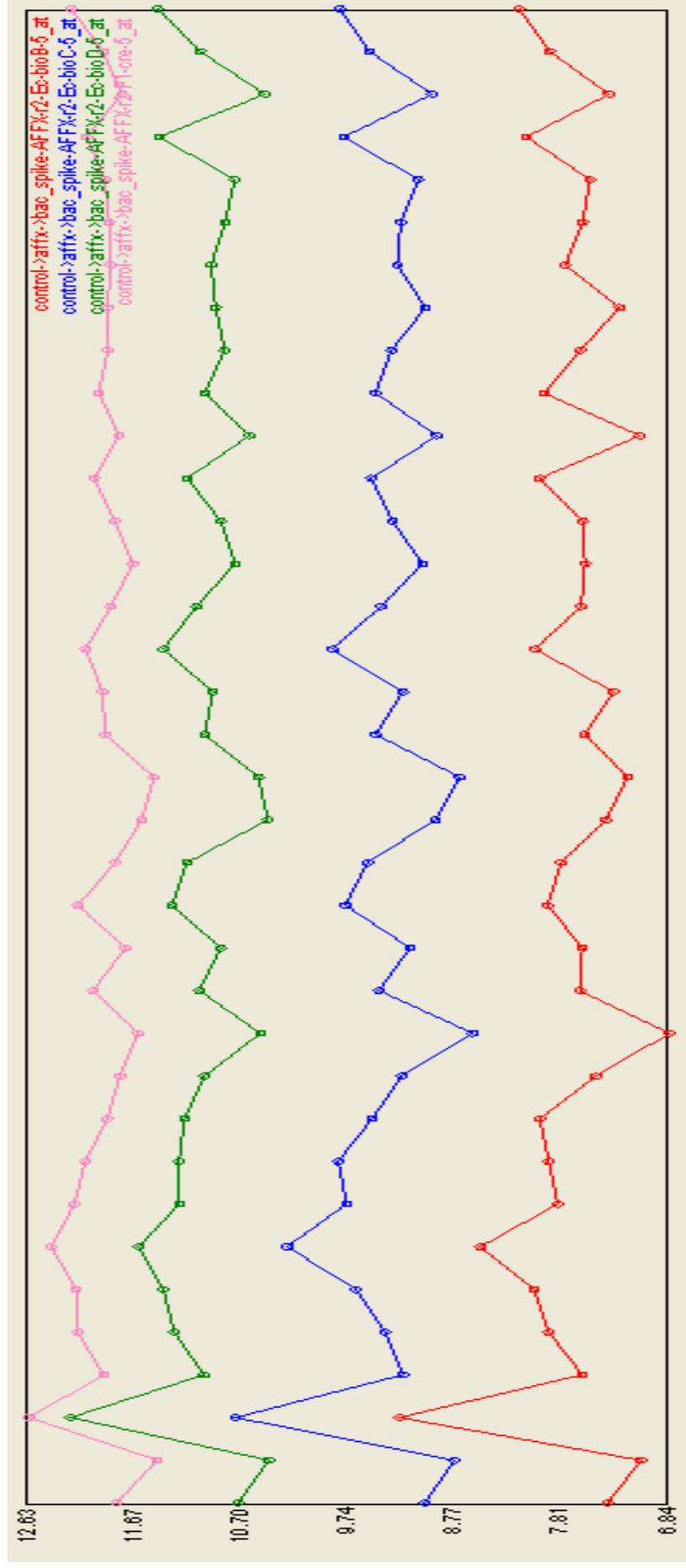


Figure 3.2. Signal values for hybridization controls. Each sample is represented by a dot on the line and signal value for each bacterial spike control is shown on y-axis. The signals for the controls are in ascending order from *Bio C* (blue) to *Bio D* (green) to *cre* (pink) while *Bio B* (red) is present at least 70 % of the time.

Microarray data quality was assessed with arrayQualityMetrics (version 3.2). Homogeneity of probe intensity levels between arrays was assessed and compared with boxplot and density plot. The raw data was transformed to a logarithm of 2 scale with the upper and lower quartile represented on either end of the box and the median was represented as the line in the middle of the box as shown in Figure 3.3. The intensity distributions were visualised using a density plots showing similar shapes and ranges for each array as shown in Figure 3.4. Outlier arrays were detected based on Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistic K_a computed between each array's distribution and of the pooled data. The results did not indicate the distributions in any of the 36 arrays were drastically different from each other.

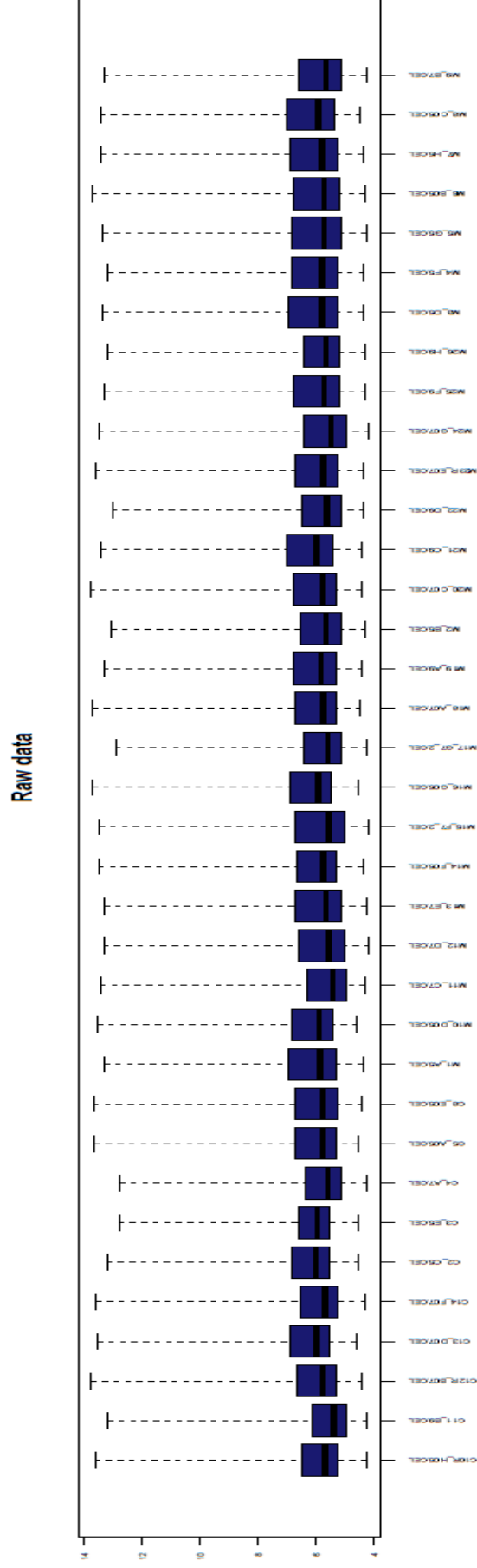


Figure 3.3. Boxplots of raw signal intensity (logarithm of 2 scale on y-axis) distributions of each array (x-axis). The distributions of raw perfect match probes log-intensities are not expected to be identical prior to normalisation step as shown.

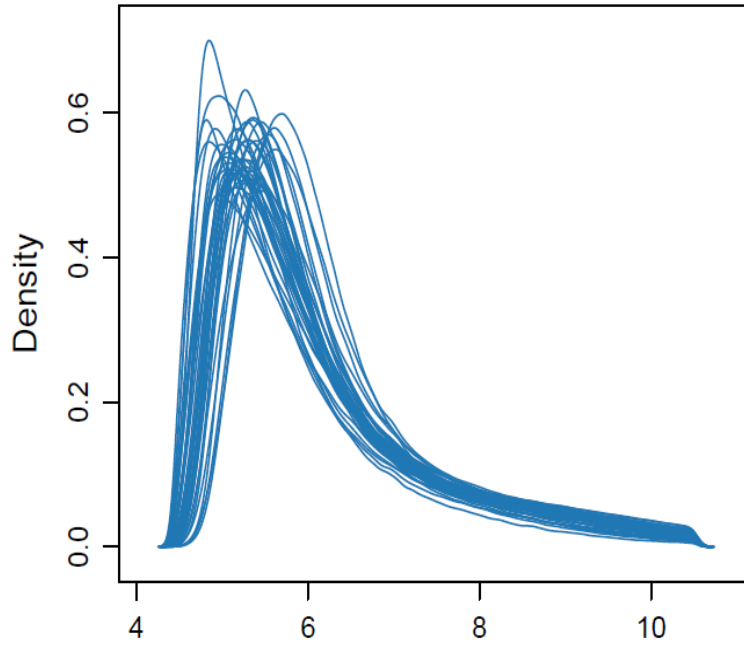


Figure 3.4. Density (x-axis) plots of log-intensity (y-axis) distributions. This figure shows the density plot of each array superimposed on a single graph as shown for better comparison between arrays and identification of arrays with different distribution.

Distance (d_{ab}) between two arrays (a and b) was computed according to the formula $d_{ab} = \text{mean } |M_{ai} - M_{bi}|$ where M_{ai} was the value of the i -th probe on array a . These were represented in a heatmap (Figure 3.5) and outliers were detected if the sum of distances to all other arrays was exceptionally large. The results showed array 2 and 7 (marked with an asterisk *) were flagged as outlier samples.

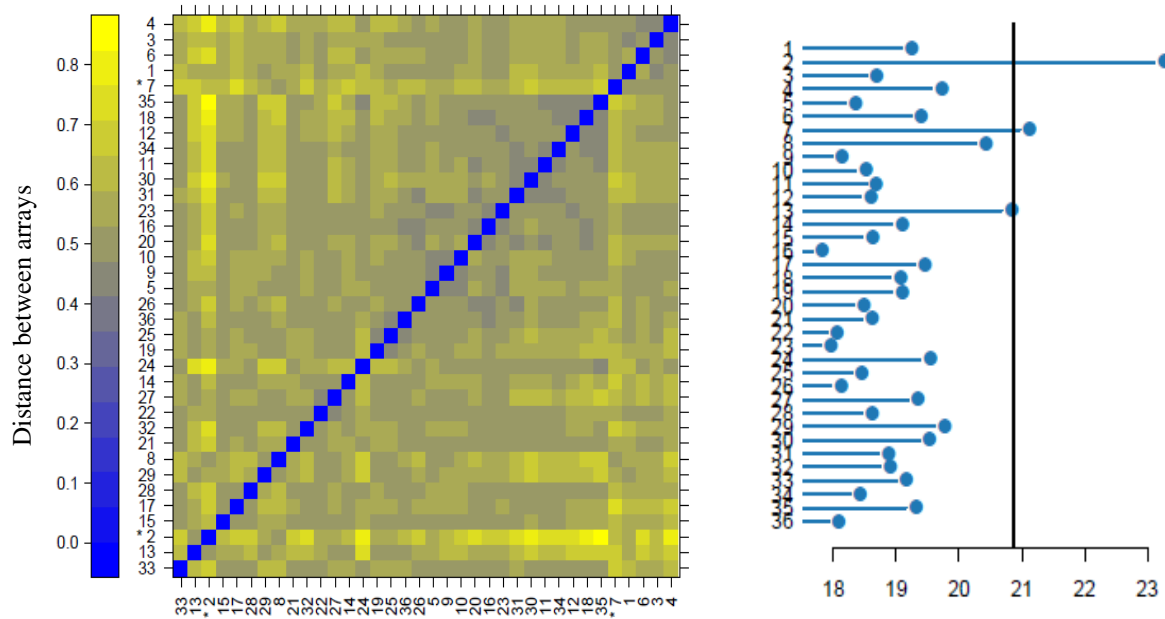


Figure 3.5. Colour heatmap of distances between arrays. The distance between arrays is denoted by different colour scheme as shown on the bar chart on the left. Array 2 and 7 with large distances to other arrays are identified as outliers as shown above.

MA plots allow the identification of intensity-dependent biases by plotting the log-ratio intensity of one array compared to a reference “pseudo” array. The plot shows the logarithm of the relative expression between the two arrays (M) on the Yaxis against the average log-intensity of both arrays (A) on the X axis. Outliers are detected based on Hoeffding’s statistics Da computed on the joint distribution of A and M for each array. The M values should centre on zero indicating no dependency between the intensities and the log-ratio. Figure 3.6 shows 4 arrays with the highest Da on the top panel and four arrays with the lowest Da on the bottom panel. No arrays were detected with a Da of more than 0.15 that would have otherwise been flagged as outliers.

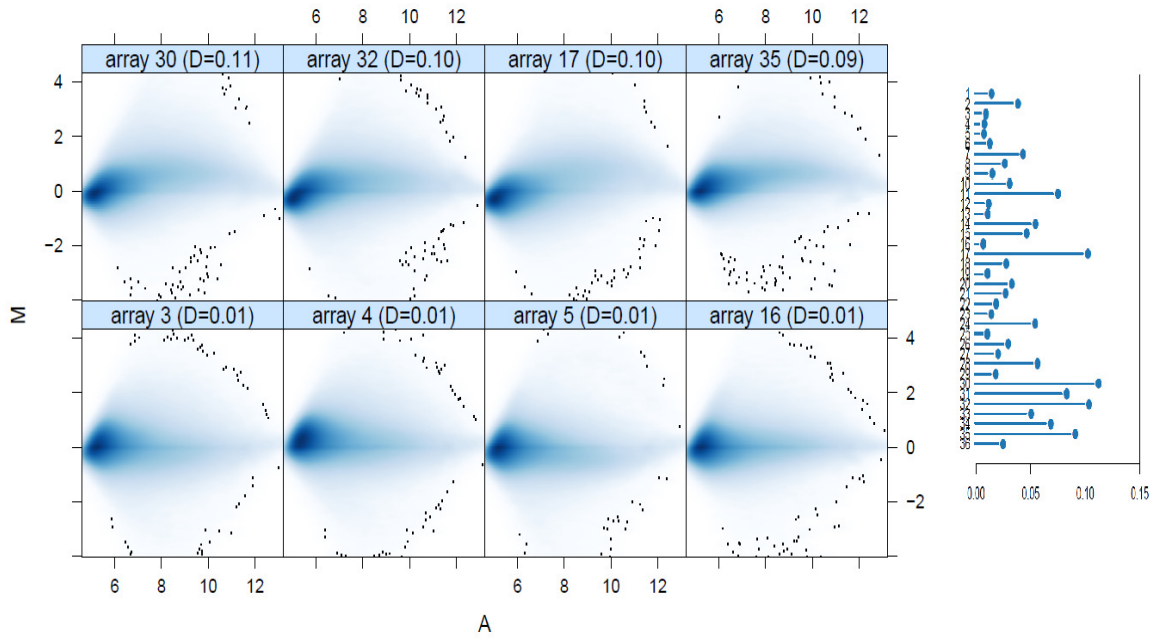


Figure 3.6. MA plots of arrays. This shows the logarithm of the relative expression between the two arrays (M) on the y-axis against the average log-intensity of both arrays (A) on the x-axis. The arrays with the highest (top panel) and lowest (bottom panel) *Da* are displayed in this figure.

In summary, two arrays from control samples C3 and C11 were identified as outliers by `arrayQualityMetrics` and were removed. The remaining 34 arrays were subjected to background adjustment, normalisation and summarisation using random multiple access (RMA) procedure. Figure 3.7 displays the boxplots of RMA treated data showing no deviation indicating the raw intensities were corrected by normalisation.

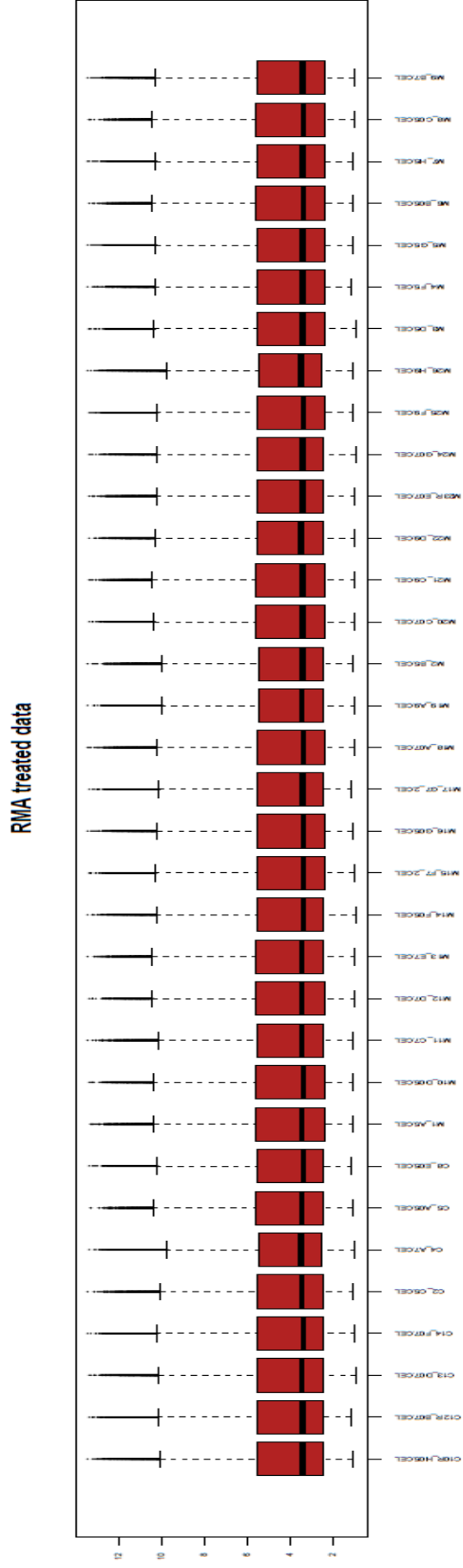
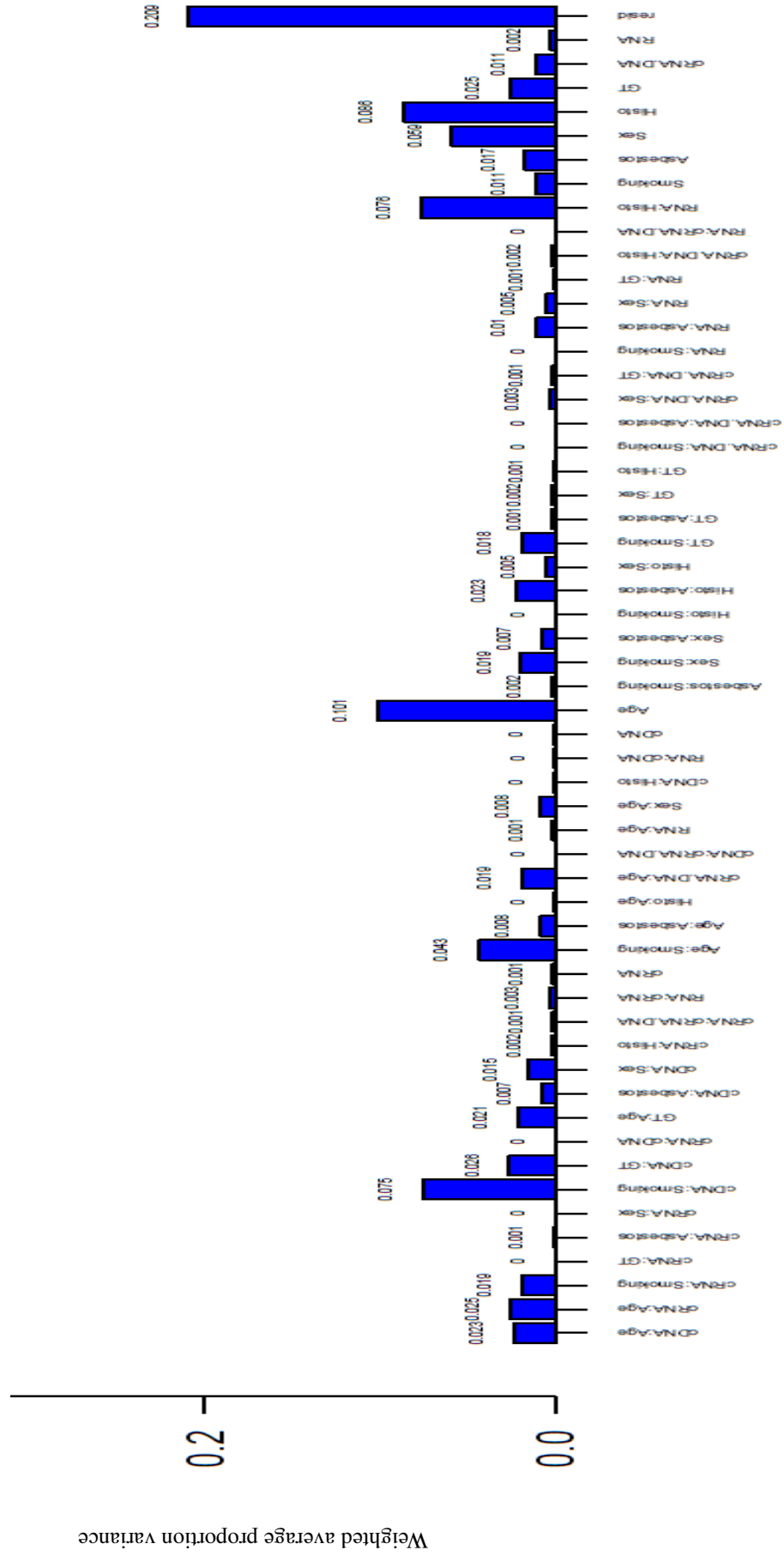


Figure 3.7. Boxplots for quantile normalized data. Normalisation processed with RMA and the figure displays the logarithm of 2 scale of intensities on the y-axis and distribution of each array on the x-axis. After normalisation, the arrays have comparable median expression levels as shown in the figure.

After the pre-processing steps, probe sets with expression levels below the median across all samples were removed from the dataset. This reduced the probe sets from 53,617 to 38,139.

The principal variance component analysis (PVCA, version 1.10) analysis identified age as the most prominent source of variability accounting for 10% of the total variance in the data as shown in Figure 3.8. The experiments were done in two batches and PVCA revealed that this explained 2.5% (denoted by GT in Figure 3.8) of the overall variation in the RMA treated data.



In order to reduce variation due to age, three control samples (C10, C12 and C13) with much younger age compared to the others were removed. Sarcomatoid subtype was only represented by tumour sample M19 and was removed from subsequent analyses. This reduced the variance due to age from 10.1% to 1.7% and for tissue subtypes from 8.6% to 4.6%.

3.3.2 Differential gene expression

The expression data from a total of 25 tumour samples and five control samples were analysed for differential gene expression. The table below (Table 3.2) shows the clinical profiles for the 30 samples.

Table 3.2. Demographics and clinical data for 25 tumours and 5 control samples. E= epithelioid, B= biphasic.

Clinical variables	Tumour	Control
Age	55-82 (median 67)	51-78 (median 68)
Gender	20 Males: 5 Females	5 Males
Histology	20 E-MPM 5 B-MPM	5 Non-malignant reactive pleura
Asbestos exposure		
Yes	21	3
No	3	2
Not known	1	0
Smoking history		
Ever smoked	13	4
Never smoked	10	1
Not known	2	0

Prior to testing for differential gene expression, clustering of the samples was assessed with unsupervised two dimensional hierarchical clustering algorithm (HCA) (Figure 3.9) and principal component analysis (PCA) (Figure 3.10). Both HCA and PCA successfully segregated the tumours from the controls and demonstrated molecular homogeneity shared amongst the tumour samples. Thus, subsequent statistical analysis to test for differentially expressed genes was carried out without splitting the tumour samples into their respective subtypes.

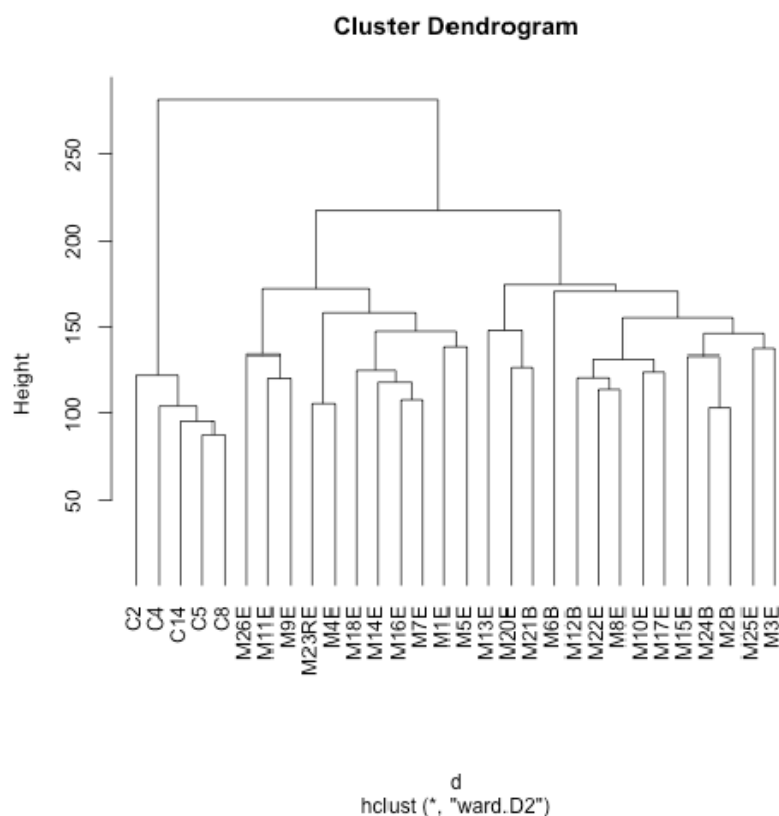


Figure 3.9. Unsupervised hierarchical cluster analysis of the final 30 samples. The analysis shows clear separation of tumour from control samples. Control samples are denoted by letter C## and tumour samples denoted by letter M##E for E-MPM and M##B for B-MPM.

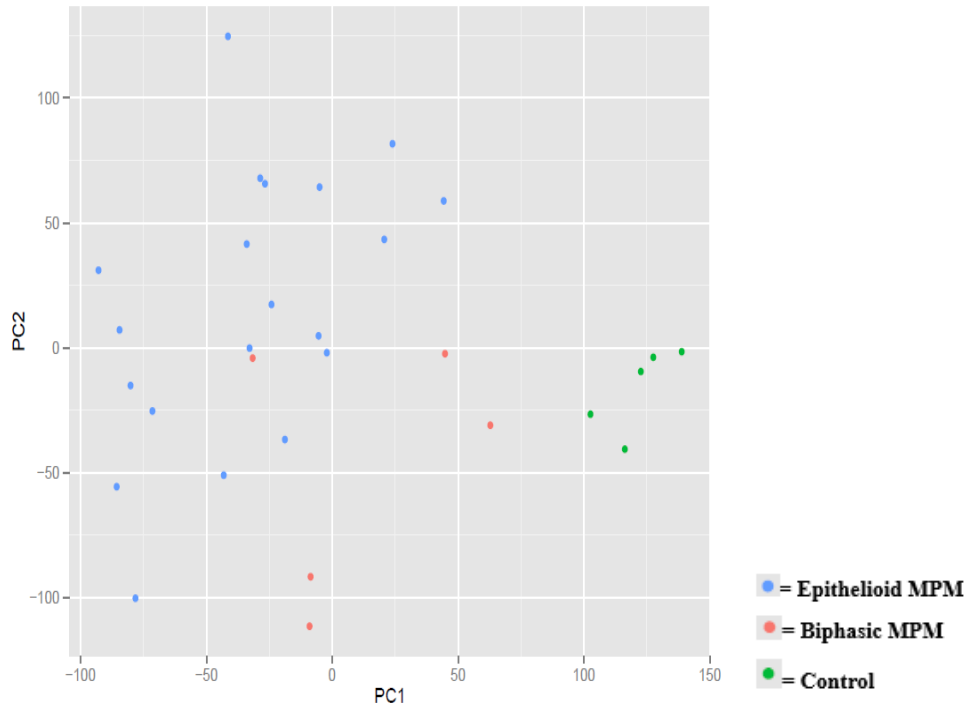


Figure 3.10. Scatter plot for the first two principal components (PC) of the full dataset. Each sample is represented by a dot on the plot and control samples in green appear to cluster together.

We applied the empirical Bayes method (as described in section 2.2.4.5) to detect differentially expressed genes between tumour and control samples (Appendix 3.1). The analysis identified 643 genes (651 probesets) with an adjusted p-value of ≤ 0.01 and absolute FC in the level of expression of ≥ 2 .

3.3.2.1 Upregulated genes

A total of 291 differentially expressed genes were upregulated in tumours compared to controls with an absolute FC level ranging from 2.00-87.61 (Appendix 3.1). Table 3.3 shows the top 20 upregulated genes with the highest FC in the level of expression. Twelve of these are transmembrane genes involved in cell-cell communications, transmembrane signalling,

ions transport and maintenance of cell structure.

Table 3.3. Top 20 statistically validated differentially expressed genes with the highest fold change (FC) in the level of expression.

Gene symbols	Gene.names	Gene.ID	adj.P.Val	FC
<i>ITLN1</i>	intelectin 1 (galactofuranose binding)	55600	0.000467	87.43
<i>UPK1B</i>	uroplakin 1B	7348	6.16E-05	64.45
<i>UPK3B</i>	uroplakin 3B	80761	1.39E-05	47.50
<i>CALB2</i>	calbindin 2	794	5.17E-05	41.36
<i>LRRN4</i>	leucine rich repeat neuronal 4	164312	4.83E-05	40.22
<i>BNC1</i>	basonuclin 1	646	1.18E-07	39.67
<i>PLLP</i>	Plasmolipin	51090	2.45E-05	35.02
<i>CTSE</i>	cathepsin E	1510	0.000194	32.45
<i>LRP2</i>	low density lipoprotein receptor-related protein 2	4036	0.001847	30.48
<i>FLRT3</i>	fibronectin leucine rich transmembrane protein 3	23767	0.000103	23.43
<i>SLPI</i>	secretory leukocyte peptidase inhibitor	6590	0.000456	21.41
<i>CDH1</i>	cadherin 1, type 1, E-cadherin (epithelial)	999	0.000864	20.39
<i>CACNG4</i>	calcium channel, voltage-dependent, gamma subunit 4	27092	0.00031	20.25
<i>MMP24</i>	matrix metalloproteinase 24 (membrane-inserted)	10893	5.68E-05	18.64
<i>KRT5</i>	keratin 5	3852	1.55E-05	18.51
<i>ANXA3</i>	annexin A3	306	3.57E-05	17.63
<i>MUC16</i>	mucin 16, cell surface associated	94025	0.001016	17.39
<i>C19orf33</i>	chromosome 19 open reading frame 33	64073	1.41E-05	17.03
<i>HNRNPA1P33</i>	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein A1 pseudogene 33	728643	0.000153	16.00
<i>MAL2</i>	mal, T-cell differentiation protein 2 (gene/pseudogene)	114569	0.000295	15.56

Next, we focused on the top five upregulated genes: *ITLN1*, *UPK1B*, *UPK3B*, *CALB2* and *LRRN4*. *ITLN1* is a galactose-binding lectin expressed mainly in small intestine, renal collecting tubule cells and some mesothelial cells. Studies have shown over-expression of *ITLN1* by immunohistochemistry (IHC) in 80% of epithelioid MPM but rarely in biphasic or sarcomatoid MPM; and no expression was seen in reactive mesothelial cells or lung adenocarcinomas^{206,207}. Tsuji *et al* also detected higher concentrations of *ITLN1* in pleural effusions of MPM compared to lung adenocarcinomas²⁰⁷. The exact role of *ITLN1* in tumorigenesis is not fully understood. Human mesothelial cells exposed to crocidolite asbestos and transfected with simian virus 40 resulted in over-expression of *ITLN1*²⁰⁸. Another study using immortalised human mesothelial cell line showed induction of *ITLN1* resulted in marked increase in cell growth, invasiveness and chromosomal aberrations with translocation events²⁰⁹. These suggest involvement of *ITLN1* in MPM tumorigenesis might be an early event and could be a potential diagnostic biomarker for MPM.

CALB2 is a member of the EF-hand family of calcium binding proteins that encodes calretinin, a validated IHC marker for diagnosing MPM. The protein is detected in virtually all mesothelioma of epithelioid and biphasic subtypes but only in less than 10% of lung adenocarcinomas²¹⁰. The involvement of *CALB2* in tumorigenesis has not been well studied. However, calretinin has been shown to interact with cytoskeletal elements and cell proliferation in colon cancer cells²¹¹. The role of *CALB2* in MPM has been investigated by one study and found elevated calretinin levels strongly correlated with increased resistance of mesothelial cells to asbestos cytotoxicity *in vitro*. In addition, this protective effect could be inhibited with phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K) inhibitor²¹². This suggests *CALB2* might contribute to MPM carcinogenesis possibly through up-regulation of PI3K signalling resulting in increased cell survival from asbestos cytotoxicity.

UPK1B and *UPK3B* are transmembrane proteins that are specific for urothelial lineage. Previous study found over-expression of both uroplakins in epithelioid compared to sarcomatoid MPM¹³⁹. Another transcriptomic microarray study identified *UPK3B* as one of the three predictive genes that was able to distinguish the different molecular subtypes of MPM¹³⁵. In addition, *UPK3B* and *LRRN4* have recently been identified as novel mesothelial lineage markers and both showed heterogeneous expression in epithelioid mesothelioma cell lines²¹³. *LRRN4* is a leucine rich repeat neuronal protein and has not been implicated in cancer but shown to be dysregulated in response to lung injury raising a possible role in inflammation²¹⁴. Little is known about these three genes and in view of their significant upregulation in our study, further studies are required to elucidate their roles in MPM pathogenesis.

It is also worth noting *BNC1*, the most statistically significant upregulated gene in our data and has not been described in MPM. *BNC1* was first discovered in keratinocytes and found to be associated with proliferation, cell-adhesion, intracellular transport and ion-channels. Studies found opposing roles of *BNC1* in tumorigenesis depending on cell types; reduced expression in renal cell carcinoma cell lines conferred survival advantage but elevated expression in breast cancer was associated with tumour invasiveness and its expression was positively regulated by p63 in squamous carcinoma^{215–217}. Recent evidence identified further oncogenic role of *BNC1* in epithelial dedifferentiation through modulation of transforming growth factor beta 1 (TGF- β 1) responsive genes including epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT)-related transcription factors²¹⁸. TGF- β production can be stimulated by MPM and interacts with Hippo pathway to promote tumour growth²¹⁹. Furthermore, EMT process has been described in MPM suggesting potential role for *BNC1* in promoting this process and tumour growth in MPM²²⁰.

To gain further biological insights, we interrogated the list of differentially expressed upregulated genes for enriched GO terms and KEGG pathways as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.5. The analysis identified cell junction organisation as the top over-represented GO terms (Table 3.4) and the genes are enriched in cancer pathways, Hedgehog signalling, cell cycle and pathways involved with cell junction organisation (Table 3.5).

Table 3.4. Top enriched GO terms for upregulated genes.

GO category	Category name	GO ID	No of genes	adj.P value
biological process	cell junction organisation	GO:0034330	19	1.29E-06
biological process	cell junction assembly	GO:0034329	16	2.59E-05
cellular component	cell junction	GO:0030054	32	3.77E-05

Table 3.5. KEGG pathway analysis of upregulated genes.

PathwayName	Genes	adj.P value
Pathways in cancer	<i>FGF9, WNT9A, NKX3-1, ITGA3, CDH1, SKP2, CKS1B, BMP4, WNT3, MET, RAC3, LAMC2, EGFR, WNT2B, FGF18, ARNT2, LAMA5</i>	0.0005
Adherens junction	<i>PTPRF, MET, CDH1, RAC3, EGFR, BAIAP2, SSX2IP</i>	0.0027
ECM-receptor interaction	<i>HMMR, ITGB4, ITGA3, AGRN, LAMC2, LAMA5, SDC4</i>	0.004
Regulation of actin cytoskeleton	<i>FGF9, SSH3, ITGA3, FGF18, EZR, ITGB4, PFN2, RAC3, PAK4, BAIAP2, EGFR</i>	0.004
Cell cycle	<i>MCM4, MAD2L1, CDC6, MCM2, CCNB1, CCNB2, SFN, SKP2</i>	0.0065
Hedgehog signalling pathway	<i>BMP4, WNT9A, WNT3, LRP2, WNT2B</i>	0.0162
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	<i>PTPRF, CDH4, CDH3, F11R, CLDN15, CDH1, SDC4</i>	0.0228
Axon guidance	<i>EFNA5, SEMA3C, EFNA1, MET, PAK4, RAC3, PLXNB1</i>	0.0228
Focal adhesion	<i>ITGA3, MET, ITGB4, RAC3, LAMA5, LAMC2, PAK4, EGFR</i>	0.0461

The upregulated genes implicated in cancer pathways include proto-oncogenes (*EGFR*, *MET*, *RAC3*), potential tumour suppressor gene (*NKX3-1*), genes associated with proliferation (*FGF9*, *FGF18*), cell cycle/survival genes (*SKP2*, *CKS1B*, *ARNT2*, *RAC3*), cell-cell interactions (*CDH1*), extracellular matrix (ECM) interactions and cytoskeletal remodelling (*ITGA3*, *LAMA5*, *LAMC2*, *BMP4*, *RAC3* and components of WNT).

Eight of the upregulated genes are associated with cell cycle pathway of which *CCNB1*, *CCNB2*, *CDC6* and *MAD2L1* are regulators of cell cycle check points and have been described in MPM^{134,221,222}. *CCNB1* is involved in G2/M transition of the cell cycle by interacting with *CDC2* to form mitosis-promoting factor kinase complex. Both *CCNB1* and *MAD2L1* regulate mitotic spindle checkpoint and chromosome segregation; and overexpression of these genes are linked to chromosomal instability^{223,224}. *CDC6* regulates G1/S transition of the cell cycle and is needed for the loading of DNA replicative helicase minichromosome maintenance proteins (including *MCM2* and *MCM4*) onto the origins of replication. *CDC6* over-expression promotes persistent DNA replication and may confer resistance to accumulation of DNA damage and cell entry into senescence²²⁵. Over-expression or amplification of *SKP2* has been detected in a variety of cancers. *SKP2* has not been described in MPM but abnormalities in chromosome 5p that encodes for *SKP2* (5p13) was overrepresented in MPM cell lines and cultures²²⁶. *CKS1B* is a member of the cyclin-dependent kinases (CDK) that regulates mitosis and together with *SKP2* form the SCF^{SKP2-CKS1} ubiquitin ligase complex that regulates proteasome degradation of p27^{Kip1} (CDK inhibitor), *FOXO1* and *RASSF1A* thereby abolishing their tumour suppressor functions including cell cycle arrest and death²²⁷⁻²²⁹.

Both enrichment analyses identified overrepresentation of genes involved in cell junction organisation including adherens junction, actin cytoskeleton, ECM-receptor interactions and

axon guidance. Integrins are α/β heterodimeric transmembrane receptors that promote cell-ECM interactions by binding to a wide variety of ECM proteins including the laminin family. Upon ligand binding, they cluster on cell surface area termed as focal adhesion site. This forms an important connection between ECM and actin cytoskeleton; and is an important mediator of focal adhesion kinase (FAK) activation by promoting its recruitment, phosphorylation and formation of FAK-Src complex. Phosphorylated FAK also forms a complex with *GRB2* that binds to *SOS* to activate *RAS* and downstream MAPK and PI3K/Akt pathways²³⁰.

We identified overexpression of two integrin receptors: *ITGA3* and *ITGB4*; and two laminin members: *LAMA5* and *LAMC2* that have been shown to promote cell invasion. *ITGA3* forms an integrin complex ($\alpha3\beta1$) with the beta-1 subunit and is a major receptor for laminin-5. Silencing of *ITGA3* expression using RNAi reduced adhesion, spreading and proliferation of 4T1 murine cancer cell *in vivo*²³¹. Functional *in vitro* study showed the interaction of $\alpha3\beta1$ and laminin-5 promoted cell growth via activation of MAPK pathway²³². Upregulation of *ITGB4* was observed in invasive xenograft pancreatic cancer model and knockdown of *ITGB4* reduced cancer cells migration and invasion²³³. *LAMC2*, $\gamma2$ chain of laminin-5, exerts its oncogenic role via the EGF-like repeats in domain III that allows interaction with *EGFR*. *In vitro* study using breast cancer cell line demonstrated the binding of *LAMC2* to *EGFR* increased *MMP2* expression and enhanced cell migration²³⁴. *LAMA5* is a subunit of laminin-10, -11 and -15 that also binds to $\alpha3\beta1$ integrin. Study using *LAMA5* knockout mouse model and RNAi demonstrated involvement of *LAMA5* in cell survival and epithelial cells differentiation via activation of PI3K/Akt²³⁵.

Axonal guidance molecules include the Slit, Netrin, Eph/erin and Semaphorin families act as repulsive or attractive force to guide axonal growth and migration²³⁶. Aberrant expression of

these molecules and their associated partners is linked with the initiation and progression of cancers and recent study found several genes associated with axon guidance were mutated in pancreatic cancer²³⁷. Recent data also suggested FAK as the main effector of Eph-ephrin and Semaphorin signalling pathways^{238,239}. Two ephrin ligands (*EFNA1* and *EFNA5*) are identified in our study. *EFNA1* is overexpressed in HCC and promoted proliferation in *EFNA1*-deficient cell line²⁴⁰. Furthermore, gene expression analysis revealed *EFNA1* induced overexpression of genes associated with cell cycle, angiogenesis and invasion²⁴¹. The role of *EFNA5* in tumorigenesis was demonstrated by increased invasion, anchorage-independent growth and morphogenetic changes in *EFNA5*-expressing murine fibroblasts²⁴². Of the semaphorin members, we identified upregulation of *SEMA3C* and *PLXNB1*, receptor for *SEMA4D* that have also been shown to be involved in cancer progression and vascularity^{243,244}. These studies showed tumour growth and micro vessel density examined *in vivo* were reduced after *SEMA3C* silencing while inactivation of *PLXNB1* in *HER2* overexpressing breast cancer reduced invasiveness and number of metastases.

Actin reorganization is another important element contributing to cell motility. Overexpression of *EZR*, a membrane cytoskeleton linker, promotes cell motility and survival through PI3/Akt pathway^{245,246}. *EZR* has been shown to trigger activation of FAK through phosphorylation of FAK at Tyr-397 independently of cell-matrix adhesion²⁴⁷. The downstream effectors of FAK signalling include the small GTPases of the Rho family that regulate dynamic reorganization of the actin cytoskeleton. *RAC3*, one of the Rho GTPases, is implicated in reorganising the actin cytoskeleton through formation of lamellipodia necessary for cell dissemination but also activation of extracellular-signal-regulated kinases (ERK) / nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells (NF- κ B) leading to increase cell survival and proliferation²⁴⁸. *PAK4*, one of the PAK serine/threonine kinases that are important effectors of Rho family GTPases, together with *CDC42* induced actin

polymerisation and formation of filipodia²⁴⁹. *In vitro* study showed *PAK4* is required for Ras driven anchorage-independent cell transformation²⁵⁰. Taking all these data together, FAK and mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPK) signalling pathways may be important mediators of MPM cells migration and invasion.

Five genes (*LRP2*, *BMP4*, *WNT9A*, *WNT3*, *WNT2B*) are involved in Hedgehog and WNT signalling pathways. The hedgehog pathway involves ligand binding to *PTCH1/2* that relieves the repression of *SMO* and activates signal transduction to SUFU-GLI complexes leading to activation of *GLI* transcription factors. *LRP2*, a member of the *LDL* receptor gene family, has recently been identified as a binding protein for sonic hedgehog and controls internalisation, cellular trafficking of sonic hedgehog-patched 1 complexes. A mice model study showed overexpression of *LRP2* is critical for hedgehog signalling and lack of *LRP2* resulted in failure to respond to sonic hedgehog despite functional expression of *PTCH1* and *SMO*²⁵¹.

Aberrant WNT signalling is active in malignant mesothelioma and targeting WNT signals using siRNA or antibodies against *WNT1* or 2 and dominant-negative *Dvl* led to suppression of mesothelioma cells growth *in vitro*^{171,173,252,253}. Two WNT ligands, *WNT2B* and *WNT3*, identified in our study have been reported by Fox *et al* to be upregulated in MPM. Both genes are involved in positive regulation of WNT canonical pathway through binding with frizzled receptors to activate *Dvl* that inhibits phosphorylation of *GSK-3 β* thereby reducing the binding affinities of *AXIN1* and *APC* for *CTNNB1* that promotes its degradation. Unphosphorylated *CTNNB1* translocate into the nucleus and displaces Groucho/TLE from TCF/LEF binding sites to activate transcription of genes involved in several biological process such as cell growth and proliferation (c-myc, cyclin D) and cell invasion/migration (*MMP7*, *UPAR*, *SLUG*, *LAMA5*).

The involvement of WNT and hedgehog signalling pathways in MPM is further supported by overexpression of *BMP4* in our study. The expression of *BMP4* is regulated and can be induced by both pathways^{254,255}. *BMP4*, a member of the TGF- β superfamily, has opposing roles in cancer pathogenesis. This was reviewed and majority of studies demonstrated suppression of cell growth *in vivo* and *in vitro* by *BMP4* but is capable of initiating morphological changes and EMT process²⁵⁶. In MPM, *BMP4* has been shown to be overexpressed in a molecular subtype associated with genes involved in ECM components suggesting an invasion role in MPM¹³⁰.

3.3.2.2 Downregulated genes

A total of 352 differentially expressed genes were downregulated in tumours compared to controls (Appendix 3.1). The absolute FC in expression level for downregulated genes was much smaller (ranged from 2.00-7.65) compared to upregulated genes. *MMRNI*, a novel gene in MPM has the highest FC in expression level amongst the downregulated genes. *MMRNI* is a soluble protein found in platelets and in the endothelium of blood vessels that has been shown to function as an adhesive ligand promoting platelet adhesion at sites of vascular injury²⁵⁷. *In vitro* study showed *MMRNI* adhesion to cellular receptors enhanced its formation of large, branching ECM fibres²⁵⁸. In addition, proteomic analysis identified direct interaction of *MMRNI* with tumour suppressor, *CDKN2A*²⁵⁹. This raises the possibility that downregulation of *MMRNI* might contribute to MPM tumorigenesis through tumour-driven vascular permeability, destabilisation of ECM and possibly cell-cycle progression.

MYH11, another top downregulated genes, encodes for a major contractile protein, smooth muscle myosin heavy chain 11, that utilises the energy of ATP hydrolysis to move actin filaments and produce muscle force. Recent evidence indicated the potential roles of *MYH11*

in tumorigenesis including cell migration, adhesion and control of cell shape, as well as in cell-signalling pathways such as interaction with Rho and the pro-apoptotic protein Bmf (BCL2-modifying factor)^{260–262}. In addition, *MYH11* is underexpressed in breast cancer cell lines compared to hybrids and in microsatellite stable hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer^{263,264}. Low expression of *MYH11* by IHC correlated with poorer survival in patients with colorectal cancer²⁶⁵. *MYH11* has not been reported in MPM and it is possible that it contributes to MPM carcinogenesis through modulation of cell adhesions and migrations.

Enrichment analysis identified regulation of immune system as the top overrepresented GO terms (Table 3.6). This consists of 78 genes involved in several functions including T cell activation (*BCL11A*, *CD28*, *IKZF1*, *DOCK2*, *IRF4*, *PTPN22*, *PTPRC*, *RHOH*, *THEMIS*), B cell activation (*BCL11A*, *BANK1*, *CD40LG*, *CD40*, *IKZF1*, *CXCR5*, *PLCG2*, *PTPRC*), cell adhesion and recognition molecules and cytokine-cytokine receptor interactions. The top enriched KEGG pathways include cell adhesion, immune deficiency and cytokine-cytokine receptor interactions (Table 3.7).

Table 3.6. Top enriched GO terms for downregulated genes.

GO category	Category name	GO ID	No of genes	adj.P value
biological process	immune system process	GO:0002376	78	2.26E-11
biological process	regulation of immune system process	GO:0002682	50	4.69E-11
biological process	cell adhesion	GO:0007155	51	2.81E-10

Table 3.7. KEGG pathway analysis of downregulated genes.

PathwayName	EntrezGene	adj.P val
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	<i>PTPRC, CD99, CD40LG, CDH5, PTPRM, SELE, CD40, ICAM2, CD28, ESAM, SELL, CD34</i>	0.0004
Primary immunodeficiency	<i>PTPRC, CD40, JAK3, CD40LG, CD19, CIITA</i>	0.0007
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	<i>CSF2RB, IL12RB2, CCR6, CXCR5, CD40LG, IL6, LEP, IL2RA, CD40, NGFR, IL21R, IL3RA, PDGFRB</i>	0.0009

The cell adhesion genes that are associated with recruitment of immune cells included *SELE*, *SELL*, *CD34*, *CD99*, *ICAM2* and *ESAM*. Downregulation of these genes might suggest impaired infiltration of immune cells to the tumour microenvironment in mediating effective anti-tumour immune response.

Downregulation of *SELE* results in interrupted attachment of T cells to the tumour vasculature. Treatment with imiquimod, a TLR7 agonist, is associated with induction of *SELE* on tumour vasculature, increased infiltration of CD8+ T cells, inhibition of tumour associated Treg cells and tumour regression²⁶⁶. TLR7 agonist has been tested in murine MPM model and resulted in induction of CD8+ T-cell, type I IFN anti-tumour responses and primary tumour growth retardation²⁶⁷. The authors also showed the combinations of TLR7 agonist and agonistic anti-CD40 antibody to mimic CD4+ T-cell assistance led to higher systemic immune response and inhibition of growth in not only the primary tumour but also distant metastatic lesion²⁶⁸.

SELL and *CD34* are known to promote tethering and rolling of immune cells on the endothelia²⁶⁹. Downregulation of *SELL* in knockout mouse model resulted in improper

adhesion and migration of lymphocytes that might represent another immune escape mechanism²⁷⁰. *CD34*^{-/-} animal models exhibited increased tumour growth at later stage of cancer development and are associated with impaired homing of mast cells²⁷¹. *CD99* is a cell surface glycoprotein expressed on both leucocytes and endothelial cell contacts allowing its participation in transendothelial migration of monocytes and lymphocytes to sites of inflammation²⁷². Loss of *CD99* and lower protein level in tumour stromal are associated with poor prognosis in several tumour types including lung cancer²⁷³.

ICAM2 stimulates the migration and cytotoxicity of natural killer (NK) cells upon binding to leucocyte adhesion LFA-1 protein²⁷⁴. In cancer cells, *ICAM2*-transfection enhanced adhesion, activation of NK cells and reduction in metastasis²⁷⁵. *ESAM*, a member of the immunoglobulin superfamily is expressed on endothelial tight junctions and is involved in maintaining the integrity of endothelial cells. Targeted deletion of *ESAM* in knockdown mouse models reduced tumour angiogenesis and growth but conversely disruption in vascular permeability might modulate transendothelial migration of cells including tumour and immune-related cells^{276,277}.

Apart from immune cells recruitment, activation of lymphocytes is also crucial in initiating anti-tumour process. Several genes involved in this process are downregulated in our study. *CD40* belongs to the superfamily of TNF receptors and are expressed on endothelial cells and antigen-presenting cells such as B cells, macrophages and dendritic cells. *CD40* together with its ligand *CD40L* are important for clonal B cell expansion, differentiation and germinal centre formation. The role of *CD40*-activated B cells in anti-tumour immunity has been reviewed²⁷⁸. *In vitro* and *in vivo* studies showed signalling via *CD40* activates host antigen-presenting cells to evoke an effective cytotoxic T cell response; and direct tumour cytotoxicity was observed upon *CD40L* ligation on *CD40* expressing tumours. In MPM, enhancing *CD40*

activation with agonist anti-*CD40* antibody injected into mice model resulted in tumour regression but unexpectedly with no increase in CD8+ tumour-specific T cells; and instead promoted follicular B-cell activity suggesting the role of memory B cells in recognizing auto-antigens on MPM cells²⁷⁹.

The role of *PTPRC* (*CD45*) in modulating the immune system has been reviewed²⁸⁰. *CD45* is a key regulator of T-cell and B-cell receptors signalling through dephosphorylation of the negative regulatory *Src* family kinases *Lck* and *Lyn* respectively. *CD19* is critical for mounting an optimal immune response through antigen-independent development and immunoglobulin-induced activation of B cells²⁸¹. In addition, *CD19* deficient mice exhibited impaired response to transmembrane signals and T-cell dependent humoral responses.

JAK3 activating mutation and over-expression are associated with several haematopoietic and solid malignancies but also has a key role in T cell development and regulation of immune system²⁸². Previous studies demonstrated the involvement of *COX* in MPM pathogenesis and observed significant production of *PGE2* by asbestos from alveolar macrophages that inhibits mesothelial cell-mediated cytotoxicity²⁸³. Another study found *PGE2* inhibited upregulation of *JAK3* in naïve T cells and downregulated *JAK3* expression in primed T cells resulting in inhibition of T cell proliferation through impaired activation of *STAT5* and decreased induction of c-myc and c-Jun²⁸⁴.

Downregulation of several cytokines and its receptors identified in our study (Table 3.7) such as *IL2RA*, *IL3RA*, *IL21R*, might also contribute to impaired anti-tumour immunity. *IL2* is an important growth factor for lymphocytes and *IL2RA* has a key function in mediating its effect by forming a complex with *IL2*, *IL2R* β and γ ^{c285}. *In vitro* study showed *IL2RA* expression is suppressed by cancer derived immunosuppressive factor thereby markedly suppressing T cell

proliferation²⁸⁶. As such, it is plausible that the function and expansion of cytotoxic T lymphocytes can be inhibited due to the repressed expression of *IL2RA*. Downregulation of *IL3RA*, a subunit of the receptor for *IL3*, might contribute to reduction in infiltration of immune cells through impaired *IL-3* signalling as demonstrated in murine tumour model resulted whereby *IL3* overexpression resulted in slower tumour growth due to increased immunogenicity and host-cell infiltration by macrophages²⁸⁷. *IL-21R* is the receptor for *IL21* cytokine that exerts its antitumour effect by promoting both T cell-mediated and NK cell-mediated cytotoxicity. *IL-21*-primed CD8+ T cells have characteristics of memory T cells and exerts its anti-tumour effects not only by inducing CD8+T cells but also NK cells and able to suppress the expression of *FOXP3* and expansion of regulatory T cell^{288,289}.

Tumour cells can also acquire defects in antigen processing and presentation that facilitate evasion from the adaptive immune system. Effective T-cell priming requires co-stimulatory receptors on naïve T-cells and the most important of which is *CD28* that is normally expressed in 95% of CD4+T cells and approximately 50% of CD8+T cells. Interactions of *CD28* and its ligands are crucial in the regulation of adaptive cellular immunity. Down-regulation of *CD28* leads to decreased binding with its ligands B7 on antigen presenting cells thereby impairing antigen/MHC complex presentation^{290,291}. *CIITA* is a major transcription factor of major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class II genes and downregulation of *CIITA* results in impaired antigen presentation. Results from melanoma cell line study demonstrated greater anti-tumour responses in a dose-dependent manner with exosomes from *CIITA*-transduced tumour cells compared to exosomes from parental tumour cells²⁹². This represents another novel strategy to genetically modified tumour cells to express MHC class II gene products.

3.3.3 Weighted gene co-expression network analysis

We selected 3,227 probesets (3,092 genes) with a FDR of 5% from the list of differentially expressed genes (Appendix 3.1) for WGCNA as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.6 to construct MPM-associated co-expression network and identify modules of highly connected genes.

A soft-thresholding power (β) of 9 (Figure 3.11) to which co-expression similarity was raised to calculate adjacency was chosen to construct the weighted gene network. At this β level, the scale free topology fit was approximately satisfied with a R^2 threshold of 0.95. By increasing the R^2 value further would lead to networks with low connectivity.

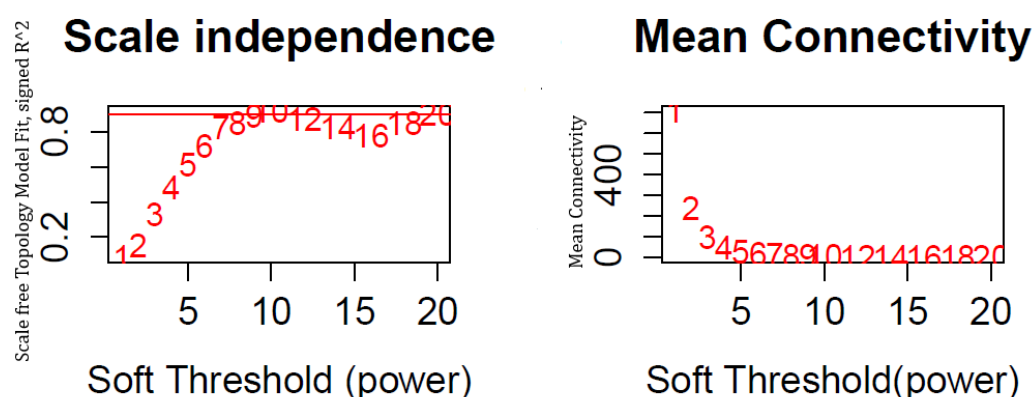


Figure 3.11. Analysis of network topology for various soft-thresholding powers. The left panel showed the scale-free fit (y-axis) as a function of the soft-thresholding power (x-axis). The right panel showed the mean connectivity (y-axis) as a function of the soft-thresholding power (x-axis).

A total of 14 modules (Figure 3.12) were detected with module sizes ranging from 51 to 605 genes (Table 3.8). The grey module contained genes that do not share similar co-expression with other genes in the network and therefore was not included in the dendrogram. A heatmap

is generated to visualise the weighted network as shown in Figure 3.13.

Cluster Dendrogram

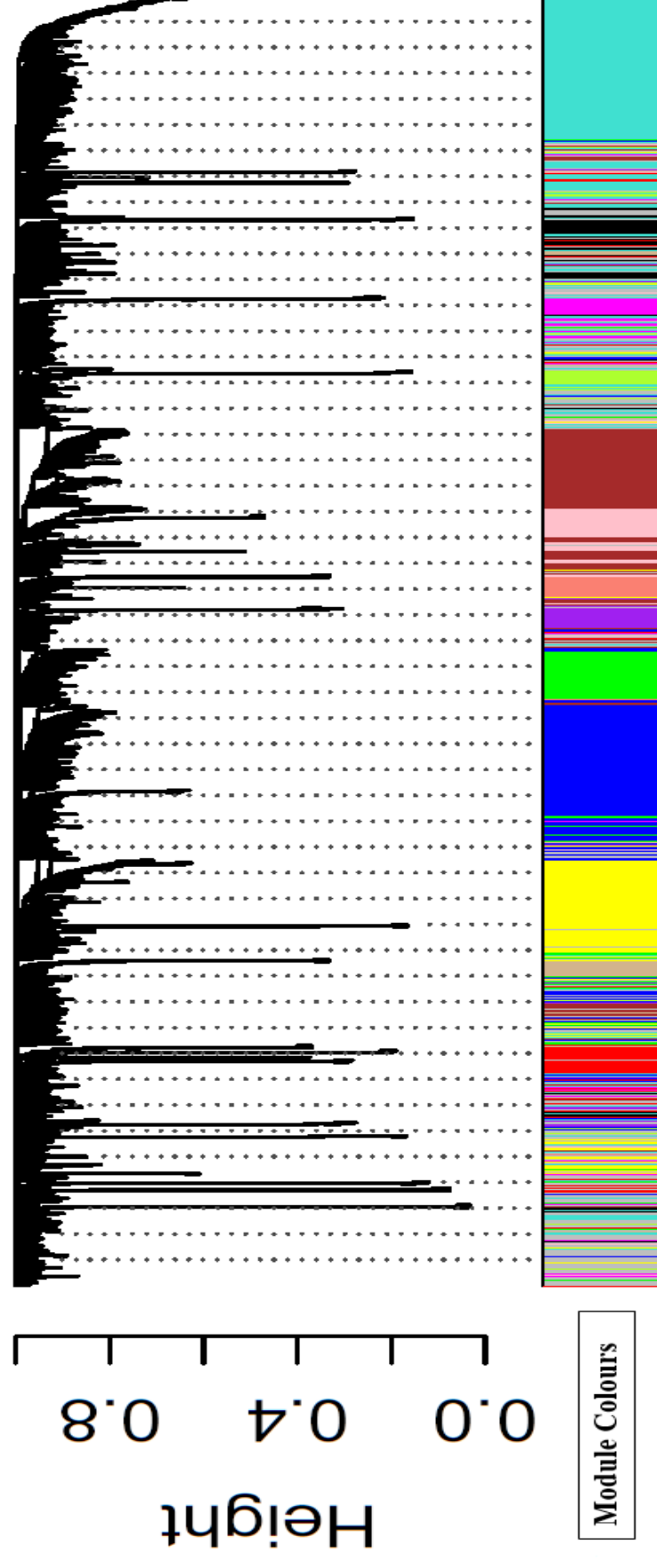


Figure 3.12. Clustering dendrogram of genes, with dissimilarity based on topological overlap, together with assigned module colours.

Table 3.8. Modules and corresponding number of genes (modSize).

Module	No of genes in module (modSize)
Black	129
Blue	436
Brown	353
Green	177
Green-yellow	74
Grey	500
Magenta	90
Pink	113
Purple	76
Red	119
Salmon	51
Tan	64
Turquoise	605
Yellow	305

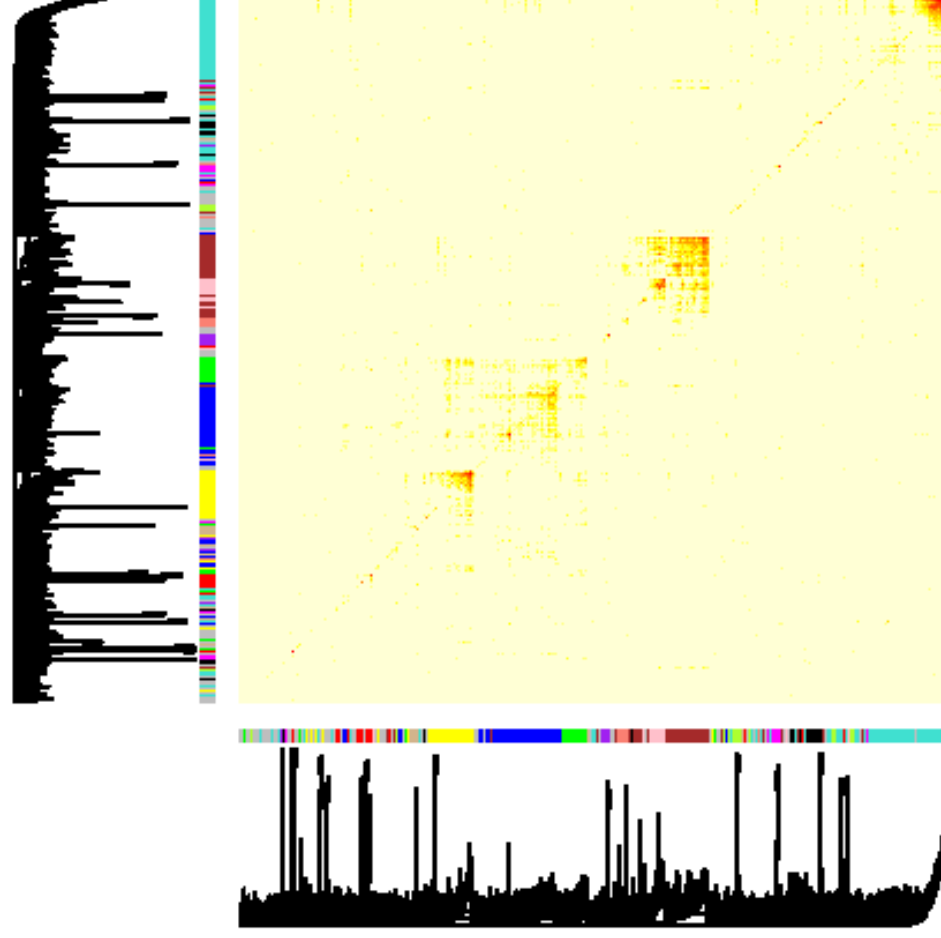


Figure 3.13. Topological Overlap Matrix. This is depicted by the heatmap with light colour denoting low overlap and darker colour denoting higher overlap. Modules are denoted by the blocks of darker colours along the diagonal. Left and top panels show the gene dendrogram and module assignment.

The proportion of variance explained by the first three principal components for each module are summarised in Table 3.9. On average, the first principal component, also known as module eigengenes (MEs), explained approximately 44% of the total variance for each associated module.

Table 3.9. Proportion of variance explained by the first 3 principal components (PC) for each module.

MEs	PC 1	PC 2	PC 3
MEblack	40.19%	7.65%	5.66%
MEblue	44.65%	7.17%	5.13%
MEbrown	45.98%	7.05%	4.69%
MEgreen	48.18%	6.09%	5.76%
MEyellow	42.40%	7.69%	6.07%
MEmagenta	39.89%	7.04%	5.61%
MEpink	50.89%	7.48%	4.56%
MEpurple	42.28%	10.02%	5.47%
MEred	39.45%	7.51%	6.25%
MEsalmon	50.71%	7.48%	5.87%
MEtan	44.47%	7.17%	5.66%
MEturquoise	37.27%	8.13%	5.41%
MEyellow	41.20%	8.01%	4.92%

The MEs in each module were tested for association with histological subtypes, smoking status and asbestos exposure using linear regression model adjusted for age and gender (as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.6). The analysis found statistically significant association between the blue module (436 genes) with histological subtypes (adjusted p-value= 0.003). None of the MEs were significantly associated with either smoking status or asbestos

exposure. GO analysis (Table 3.10) revealed the blue module was enriched in genes involved in biological processes of cell junction organisation.

Table 3.10. Top enriched GO terms for blue module associated with histological subtypes.

GO category	Category name	GO ID	No of genes	adj.P value
biological process	cell junction organization	GO:0034330	18	0.0137
biological process	tight junction assembly	GO:0070830	8	0.0137
biological process	morphogenesis of embryonic epithelium	GO:0016331	14	0.0197

In order to identify genes in the blue module with high connectivity and strong association with histological subtypes, the module membership (MM) for each gene in the blue module and gene significance (GS) of each gene associated with histological subtypes were calculated as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.6. Figure 3.14 shows a statistically significant positive correlation between GS for histological subtypes and MM of genes in the blue module indicating that genes with high connectivity are also significantly associated with histological subtypes. An arbitrary GS value of ≥ 1.0 and MM value of ≥ 0.7 were chosen to identify hub genes with strongest connectivity and link with histological subtypes. This resulted in 31 hub genes (Table 3.11) and a visualisation of this network with Cytoscape Software 3.0.1 is shown in Figure 3.15.

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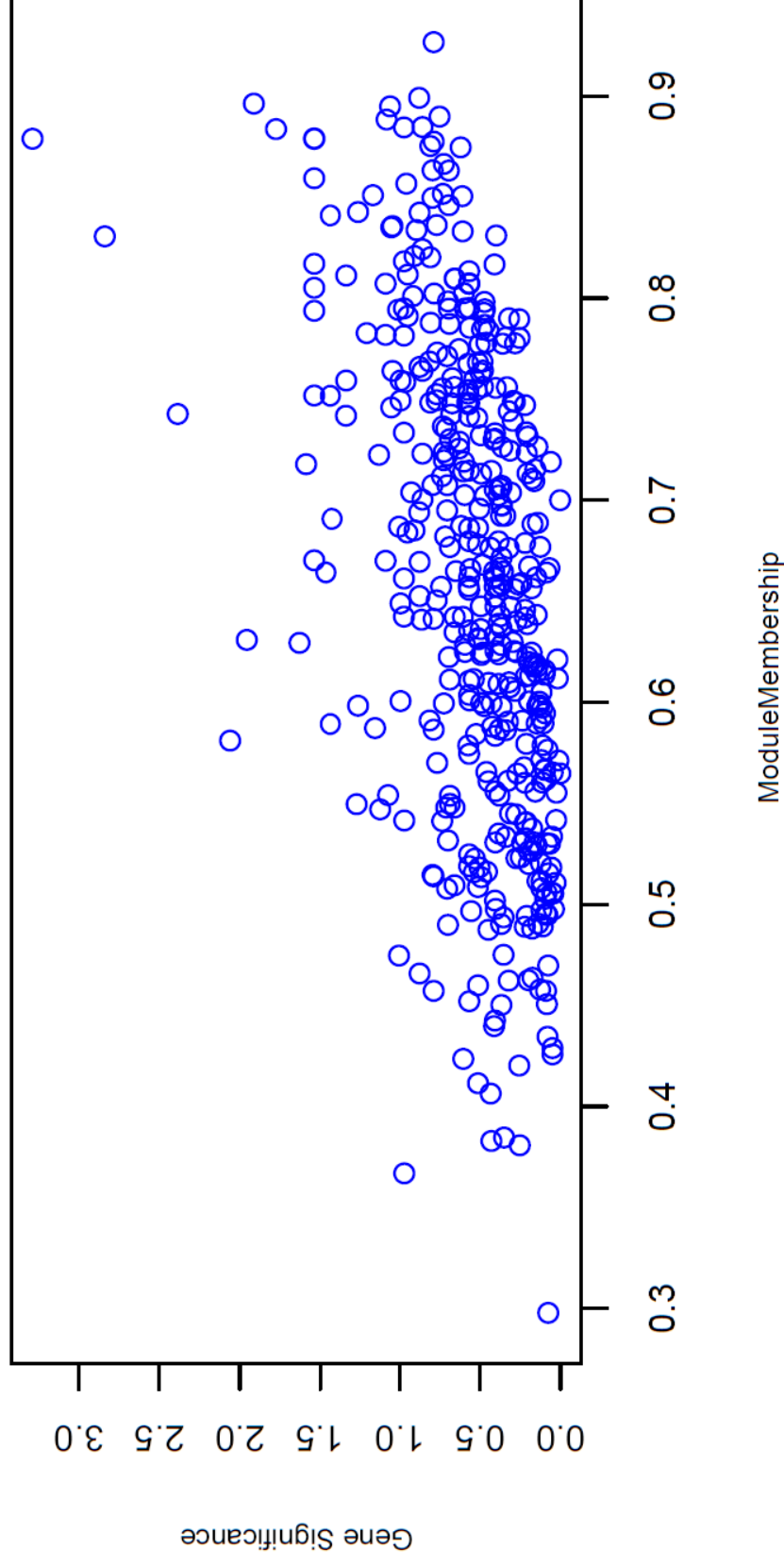


Figure 3.14. A scatterplot for gene significance (GS) for histological subtypes versus module membership (MM) in the blue module demonstrating positive correlation.

Table 3.11. Top hub genes in the blue module. These hub genes are defined by an absolute Module membership (MM) ≥ 0.7 and gene significance (GS) ≥ 1.0 with corresponding fold change (FC) and adjusted p value from differential gene expression analysis.

Gene	GS	MM	FC	adj. p value
<i>CARNS1</i>	1.91	0.9	5.02	0.002105113
<i>PLLP</i>	1.08	0.89	35.08	2.44908E-05
<i>PTPRF</i>	1.06	0.89	5.33	1.58227E-05
<i>PRR15</i>	3.29	0.88	12.25	0.000197445
<i>KLK11</i>	1.78	0.88	5.84	0.000218948
<i>LRRN4</i>	1.54	0.88	40.30	4.83018E-05
<i>CCDC64</i>	1.54	0.88	4.70	0.013362278
<i>BNC1</i>	1.54	0.86	39.62	1.17508E-07
<i>LRRC1</i>	1.43	0.84	6.51	0.001049806
<i>PDZD2</i>	1.26	0.84	6.65	0.001794995
<i>REC8</i>	1.05	0.84	4.93	0.000545429
<i>KLHL31</i>	1.04	0.84	5.34	0.002498679
<i>UPK3B</i>	1.54	0.82	47.56	1.3889E-05
<i>C19orf33</i>	1.54	0.81	17.09	1.41006E-05
<i>TM4SF1</i>	1.33	0.81	2.73	0.01108929
<i>SELENBP1</i>	1.54	0.79	2.47	0.0421346
<i>MMP24</i>	1.01	0.79	18.66	5.68068E-05
<i>CMTM8</i>	1.21	0.78	4.76	4.12692E-06
<i>TMEM151A</i>	1.33	0.76	5.03	0.002740044
<i>HOOK1</i>	1.54	0.75	2.63	0.048263673
<i>KLK10</i>	1.43	0.75	2.78	0.02259675
<i>IGSF9</i>	2.39	0.74	4.45	0.001196221
<i>CYSTM1</i>	1.33	0.74	1.78	0.04086658
<i>SLPI</i>	1.59	0.72	21.47	0.000456269
<i>MIR181A1HG</i>	1.13	-0.72	1.75	0.038039179
<i>RASGRP3</i>	1.05	-0.75	2.26	0.000429178
<i>GLRX</i>	1.04	-0.76	1.75	0.038329462
<i>ADAM19</i>	1.09	-0.78	2.96	0.01631073
<i>IMPDH1</i>	1.09	-0.81	1.73	0.029372633
<i>ADAMTS6</i>	2.84	-0.83	3.40	0.028963716
<i>ANXA6</i>	1.17	-0.85	1.99	0.01202954

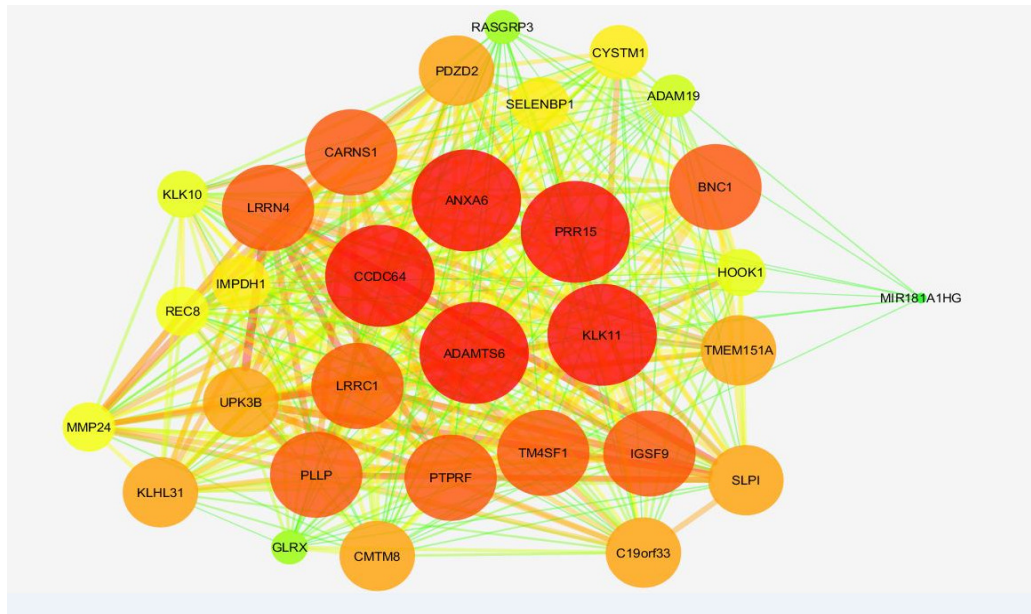


Figure 3.15. Cytoscape visualisation of the top hub genes in blue module with high connectivity and gene significance (GS). Nodes with high degree of intramodular connectivity appear larger and darker in colour. Strong connections between nodes are represented by darker and wider edges.

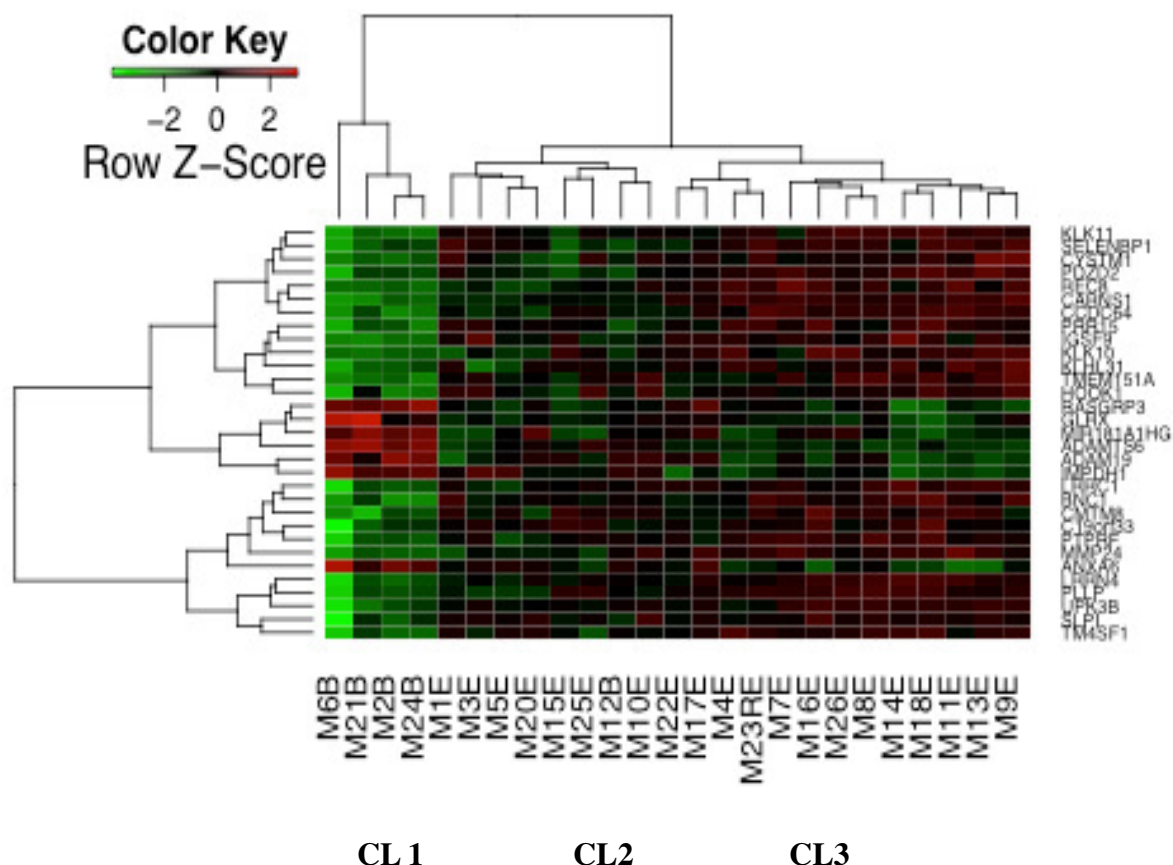


Figure 3.16. Hierarchical cluster analysis of the expression level of the hub genes. The analysis identified 3 clusters (CL) of MPM cases (M) with epithelioid denoted by E and biphasic by B. Columns correspond to MPM cases and rows correspond to 31 hub genes associated with subtype classifications.

Using the expression profiles of the 31 hub genes we reclassified the tumours into three molecular subtypes. Cluster 1 consisted of four out of the five biphasic MPM, cluster 2 included one biphasic MPM and 4 epithelioid MPM; and the remaining epithelioid MPM are grouped together in cluster 3 (Figure 3.16). Amongst these hub genes, *CARNS1* has the strongest connectivity and *PRR15* is the gene most significantly associated with histological subtypes (Table11).

CARNS1 is a member of the ATP-grasp family of ATPases and catalyses the formation of

carnosine and harmocarnosine present mainly in skeletal muscle and the central nervous system respectively. Little is known about the role of carnosine in cancer but has been suggested to have a protective effect against oxidative stress²⁹³. Recent evidence demonstrated potential tumour suppressive function of *CARNSI* by inhibiting the proliferation of malignant glioma cells *in vitro* and reducing growth *in vivo* in a NIH3T3-HER2/neu mouse model^{294,295}. Another study demonstrated *CARNSI* as a Mapsin-dependent tumour suppressor in claudin-low breast carcinoma²⁹⁶. The expression of Mapsin, a tumour suppressor gene, is regulated by transcription factors or epigenetic modifiers and is expressed at higher levels in epithelial cells and downregulated in mesenchymal cells. *In vivo* induction of Mapsin not only significantly upregulated *CARNSI* but was able to revert aggressive claudin-low breast carcinomas towards a more differentiated ‘epithelial-like phenotype’. Interestingly, claudins are not frequently expressed in MPM; and their expression by IHC are lower in sarcomatoid and biphasic MPM compared to epithelioid MPM²⁹⁷. The differential expression of *CARNSI* across the 3 clusters in our study suggests possible downregulation of tumour suppressor Mapsin in the biphasic tumours (CL1).

PRR15 encodes a protein of unknown function and its expression is restricted to post mitotic epithelial cells in mouse model and the pattern of expression is similar to negative cell cycle regulators suggesting a role in regulating cell proliferation²⁹⁸. *PRR15* expression by in situ hybridisation was studied in mouse and human gastrointestinal tumours. The study found *PRR15* was detected in tumours harbouring *APC* mutations suggesting its involvement in defective WNT signalling²⁹⁹. Thus the higher expression of *PRR15* in CL1 compared to CL3 suggests this pathway may be more active in epithelioid than biphasic subtypes.

The expression level of seven hub genes is higher in CL1 as depicted in the heatmap in Figure 3.16. These include *ADAMTS6*, *ADAM19*, *ANXA6* and *RASGRP3* that are involved in ECM

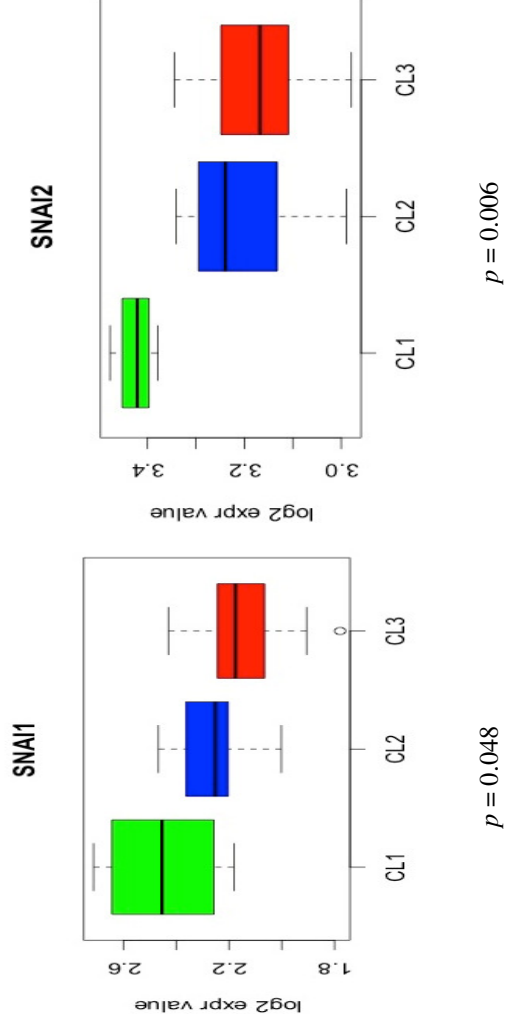
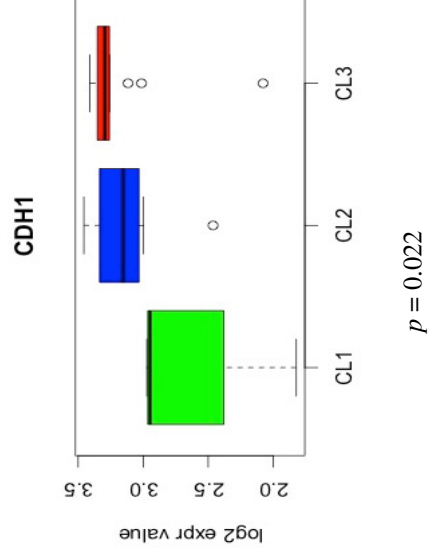
degradation and cell invasion; *IMPDH1* and *GLRX* are involved in cell proliferation while the role of *MIR181A1HG* is unknown but has been shown to be highly expressed in acute promyelocytic leukaemia³⁰⁰. Amongst these genes, *ANXA6* has the strongest connectivity and *ADAMTS6* is the gene most significantly associated with histological subtypes (Table 3.11).

ANXA6 is a member of the annexin family of calcium-dependent phospholipid binding proteins. Study in breast cancer tumours demonstrated downregulation of *ANXA6* in tumour compared to normal breast tissue correlated with enhanced tumour cell proliferation mainly due to increased cytosolic calcium in cells expressing low level of *ANXA6*³⁰¹. On the contrary, the study showed depletion of *ANXA6* in invasive breast cancer cell line reduced tumour cell invasion/migration that might be attributed to the inhibition of FAK and PI3kinase/Akt pathway activation. The role of *ANXA6* in promoting cell invasion/migration is further supported by increased NF-K β activity and *MMP-13* expression that promotes ECM degradation in *ANXA6*-overexpressing chondrocytes³⁰². Taking all these together, downregulation of *ANXA6* in cancer cells promotes cell proliferation while upregulation gives rise to a more invasive phenotype corresponding to the biphasic tumours in CL1 in Figure 3.16. *ADAMTS6* is a newly described ADAMTS (a disintegrin and metalloprotease with thrombospondin motifs) family members but its exact function is not well understood. However, there is evidence suggesting its role in compromising ECM structure from a retinal pigment epithelium derived cell line study³⁰³.

It is also worth noting *ADAM 19* and *IMPDH1*. *ADAM19* is an endopeptidase that degrades ECM to promote invasion and is also capable of releasing several growth factors and cytokines including tumour necrosis factor (TNF)-alpha and TNF-alpha-related activation-induced cytokine. It is upregulated in several malignancies and correlated with tumour invasiveness in primary brain tumour³⁰⁴. Cell line study identified *ADAM19* as a downstream

target of TGF- β pathway whereby stimulation of ovarian cancer cells with TGF- β 1 resulted in binding of *SMAD4* to *ADAM19* gene promoter sites accompanied by an increase in *ADAM19* mRNA levels³⁰⁵. *IMPDH1* together with *IMPDH2* are involved in the rate-limiting step for GTP and dGTP biosynthesis. *IMPDH* is implicated in cell proliferation and inhibition of *IMPDH* reduced guanine nucleotide pools thereby interrupting DNA synthesis and cell cycle progression by arresting cells in G1³⁰⁶. *IMPDH* is a recognised target for anticancer and immunosuppressive drugs and therefore potentially could be an attractive target in biphasic MPM tumours³⁰⁷.

Next, we investigated the role of epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) across the subtypes based on the findings of higher expression of genes associated with invasion, degradation of ECM and TGF- β signalling in CL1. The boxplots below (Figure 3.17) display the differences in expression level of EMT markers (*CDH1*, *SNAIL*, *SNAI2*, *ZEB1*, *ZEB2*, *TWIST1*) across the 3 clusters. The results showed the mesenchymal transcriptional regulators are consistently more overexpressed in biphasic MPM tumours in CL1 with lower expression of epithelial marker, *CDH1*. The differences across the 3 clusters are statistically significant for *SNAIL*, *SNAI2*, *ZEB2*, *TWIST1* and *CDH1*. Although not statistically significant, expression of *ZEB1* also showed an upward trend from CL3 to CL1.



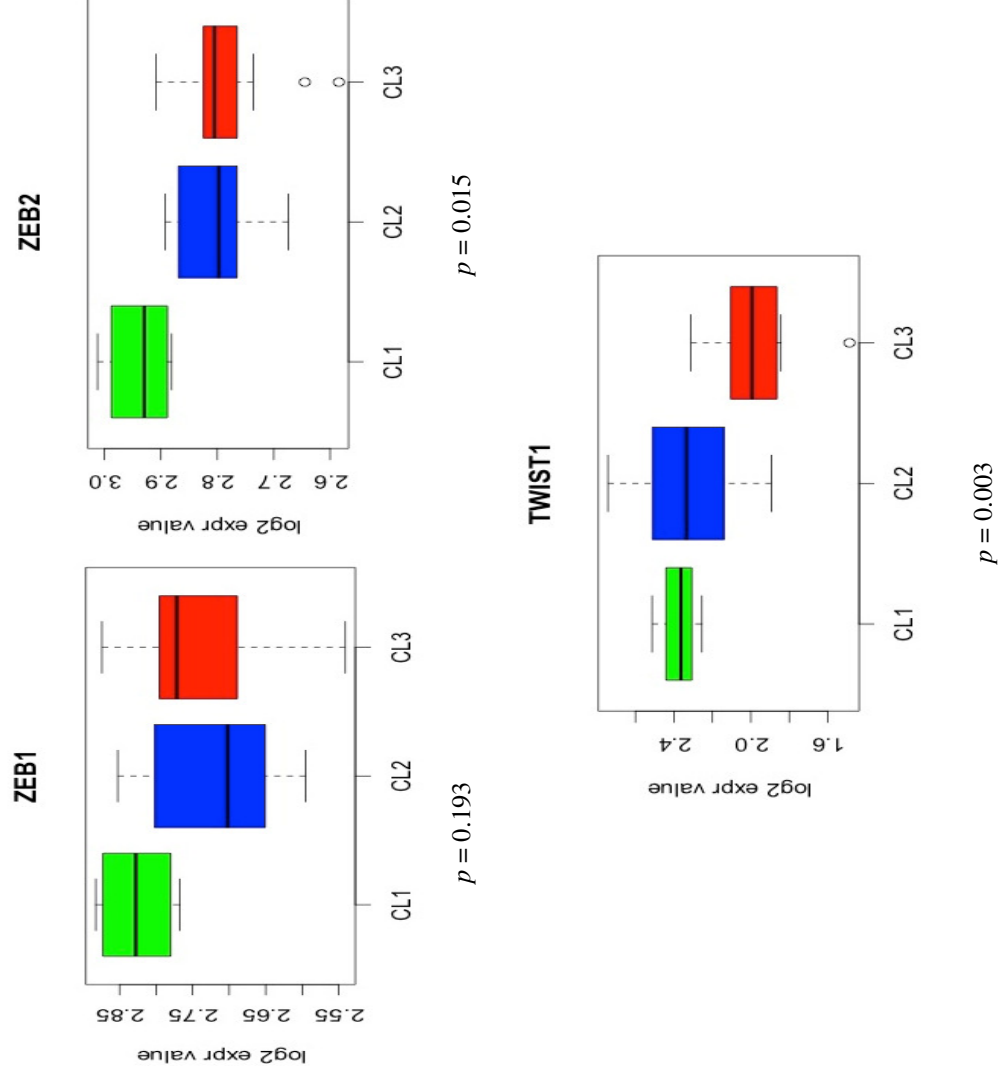


Figure 3.17. EMT markers. Boxplots for epithelial marker (*CDH1*) and mesenchymal markers (*SNAI1*, *SNAI2*, *ZEB1*, *ZEB2* and *TWIST1*) with the corresponding p-value computed from ANOVA.

Survival data were available for each of the 25 tumour cases. Using Cox proportional hazards model to regress survival time on individual gene expression profile (adjusted for age and gender), a GS for survival was defined as minus logarithm of the hazard ratio probability value (described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.4.6). The diagram below (Figure 3.18) shows the turquoise module (605 genes) is significantly enriched with genes associated with survival time.

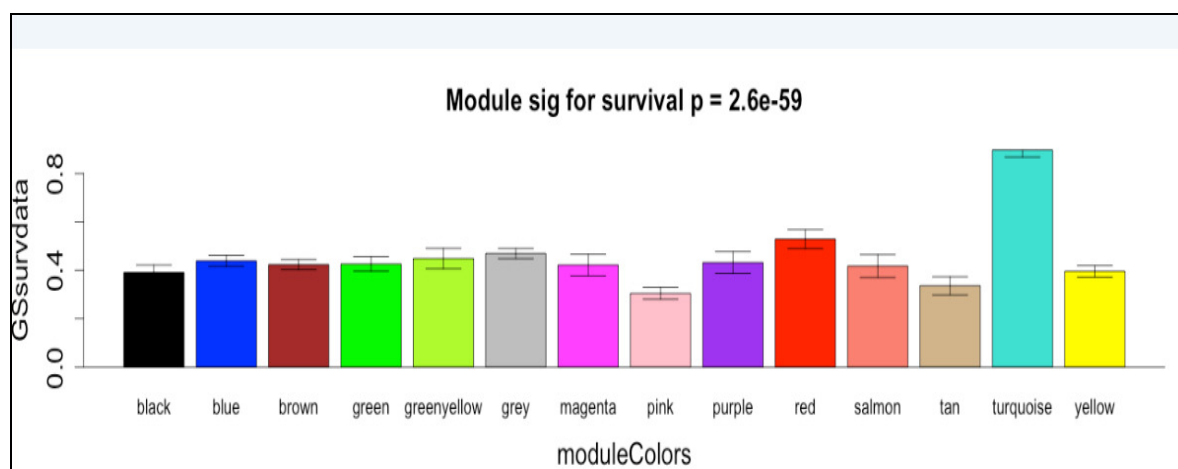


Figure 3.18. Modules associated with survival time. Bar plots for each module (x-axis) and the corresponding gene significance (GS) for survival time (y-axis). The analysis shows turquoise module has the highest mean value of GS for survival time with a Kruskal Wallis p-value of $2.6e-59$.

Enrichment analysis revealed cell cycle process as the top over-represented GO terms for the turquoise model (Table 3.12).

Table 3.12. Top enriched GO terms for turquoise module associated with survival time.

GO category	Category name	GO ID	No of genes	adj.P value
biological process	cell cycle process	GO:0022402	112	1.24E-22
biological process	cell cycle	GO:0007049	126	7.93E-22
biological process	cell cycle phase	GO:0022403	37	1.41E-20

A statistically significant positive correlation is observed between GS for survival time and MM for genes in the turquoise module (Figure 3.19) indicating genes with high connectivity are also strongly linked with survival time. Twenty-five hub genes associated with survival time in the turquoise module are identified using an arbitrary GS value of ≥ 2.0 and MM value of ≥ 0.7 (Table 3.13). The interactive network amongst the hub genes is displayed using Cytoscape Software 3.0.1 as shown in Figure 3.20.

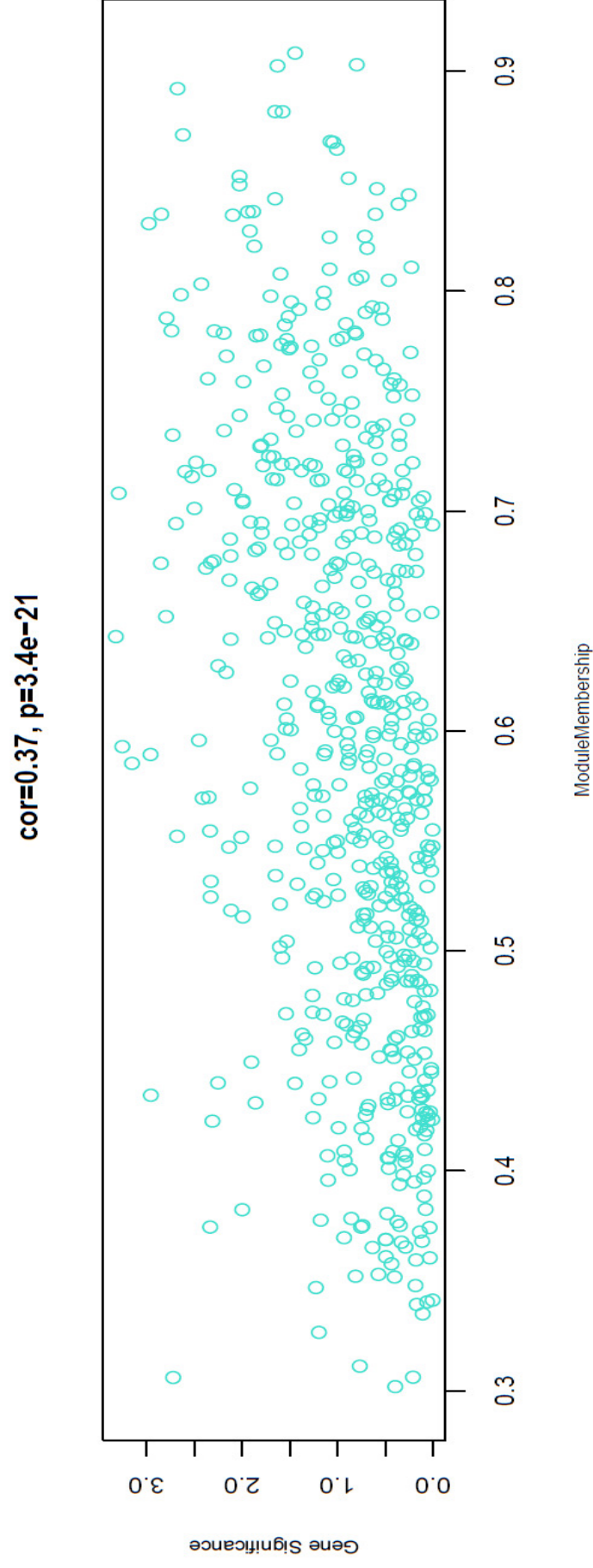


Figure 3.19. A scatterplot of GS for survival time versus MM in the turquoise module showing a statistically significant correlation between GS and MM in this module.

Table 3.13. Top hub genes in the turquoise module. These hub genes are defined by absolute MM ≥ 0.7 and GS ≥ 2.0 with corresponding FC and adjusted p value identified from differential gene expression analysis.

Gene	GS survival	MM turquoise	FC	adj.p value
<i>PDRG1</i>	2.67	0.89	1.62	0.01065877
<i>E2F1</i>	2.62	0.87	2.06	0.043738806
<i>TIMM50</i>	2.03	0.85	1.56	0.017060413
<i>PSMD8</i>	2.03	0.85	1.34	0.041059079
<i>MCM7</i>	2.85	0.83	1.87	0.008922121
<i>GSG2</i>	2.1	0.83	2.04	0.042485814
<i>PXMP4</i>	2.97	0.83	1.53	0.043561541
<i>MOCS3</i>	2.43	0.8	1.93	0.014510297
<i>NSDHL</i>	2.64	0.8	1.80	0.00287891
<i>SGOL1</i>	2.79	0.79	2.98	0.020787539
<i>CCT4</i>	2.74	0.78	1.59	0.006244544
<i>CDC48</i>	2.29	0.78	2.72	0.017160609
<i>CENPH</i>	2.19	0.78	1.70	0.026323983
<i>CCT5</i>	2.16	0.77	1.44	0.035352582
<i>PBK</i>	2.36	0.76	3.41	0.002567779
<i>CDC20</i>	2.02	0.74	2.69	0.036215521
<i>NR2C2AP</i>	2.19	0.74	2.07	0.014312739
<i>DAGLA</i>	2.72	0.73	2.00	0.004631814
<i>TPX2</i>	2.48	0.72	3.25	0.012000329
<i>BUB1</i>	2.35	0.72	2.55	0.041013206
<i>SKA3</i>	2.6	0.72	2.46	0.046605563
<i>POLD2</i>	2.52	0.72	1.59	0.031978027
<i>MRPS17</i>	2.08	0.71	1.50	0.032925202
<i>RFC3</i>	3.29	0.71	1.51	0.047574394
<i>CKAP2L</i>	2.5	0.7	2.89	0.013096869

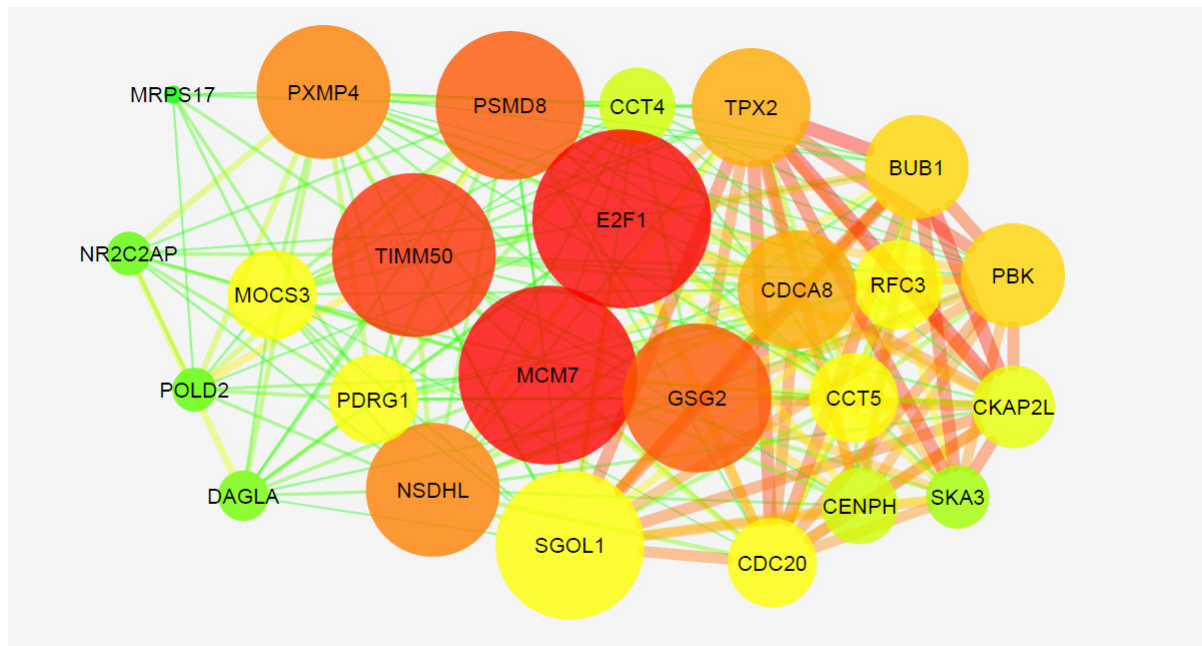


Figure 3.20. Cytoscape visualisation of the top hub genes in turquoise module with high connectivity and gene significance (GS). Nodes with high degree of intramodular connectivity appear larger and darker in colour. Strong connections between nodes are represented by darker and wider edges.

The hub genes associated with survival time are enriched in pathways involved in regulation of the cell cycle, in particularly the mitotic phase (Table 3.14). The hub genes are also involved in *PLK1* and Aurora B signalling pathways that have several important functions in the mitotic phase of the cell cycle such as regulation of centrosome maturation, spindle assembly, mitotic exit and cytokinesis.

Table 3.14. Top pathways enriched by 25 hub genes associated with survival time.

Pathway	FDR	Nodes
Mitotic Metaphase and Anaphase	<1.000e-03	<i>CDCA8,BUB1,PSMD8,SGOL1,CDC20,CENPH</i>
PLK1 signalling events	<5.000e-04	<i>BUB1,SGOL1,TPX2,CDC20</i>
Mitotic Prometaphase	3.33E-04	<i>CDCA8,BUB1,SGOL1,CDC20,CENPH</i>
Synthesis of DNA	2.75E-03	<i>MCM7,PSMD8,RFC3,POLD2</i>
DNA replication	3.00E-03	<i>MCM7,RFC3,POLD2</i>
Aurora B signalling	3.67E-03	<i>CDCA8,BUB1,SGOL1</i>
Cell Cycle Checkpoints	3.57E-03	<i>MCM7,PSMD8,CDC20,RFC3</i>
S Phase	3.63E-03	<i>MCM7,PSMD8,RFC3,POLD2</i>
Cell cycle	3.33E-03	<i>E2F1,MCM7,BUB1,CDC20</i>
Regulation of DNA replication	1.49E-02	<i>E2F1,MCM7,PSMD8</i>
M/G1 Transition	1.62E-02	<i>E2F1,MCM7,PSMD8</i>
Mismatch repair	2.78E-02	<i>RFC3,POLD2</i>

The expression profiles of the 25 hub genes stratified the tumours into three clusters (Figure 3.21) with different prognostic outcomes as shown in the Kaplan-Meier survival plots in Figure 3.22.

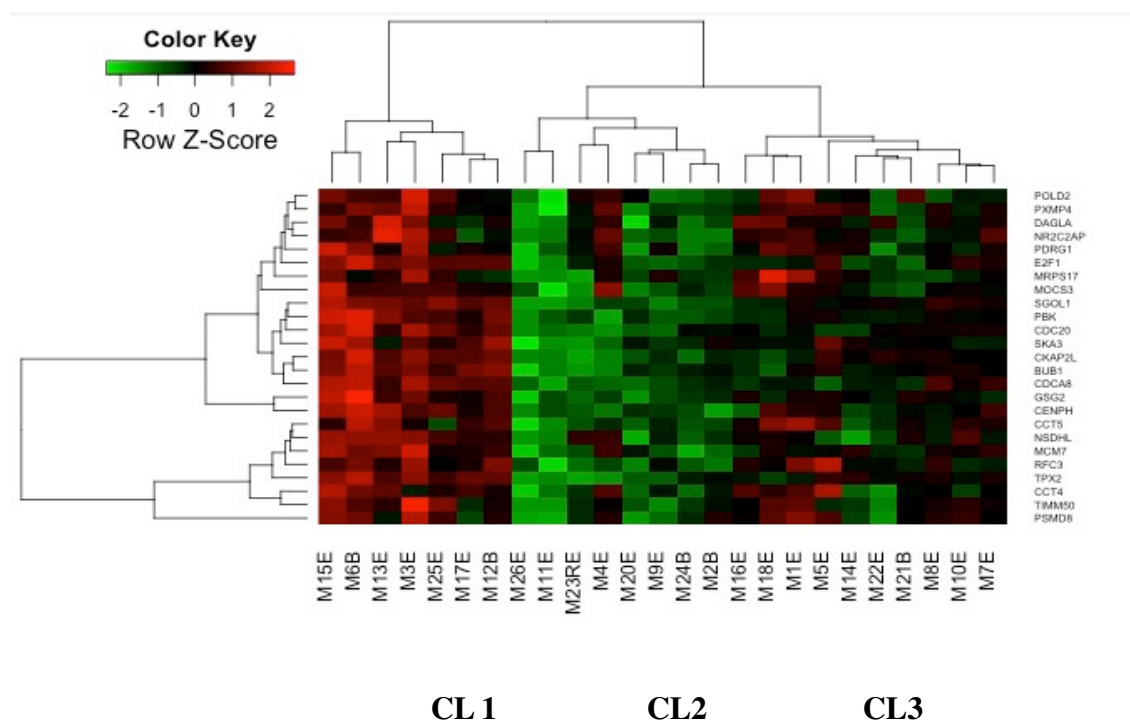
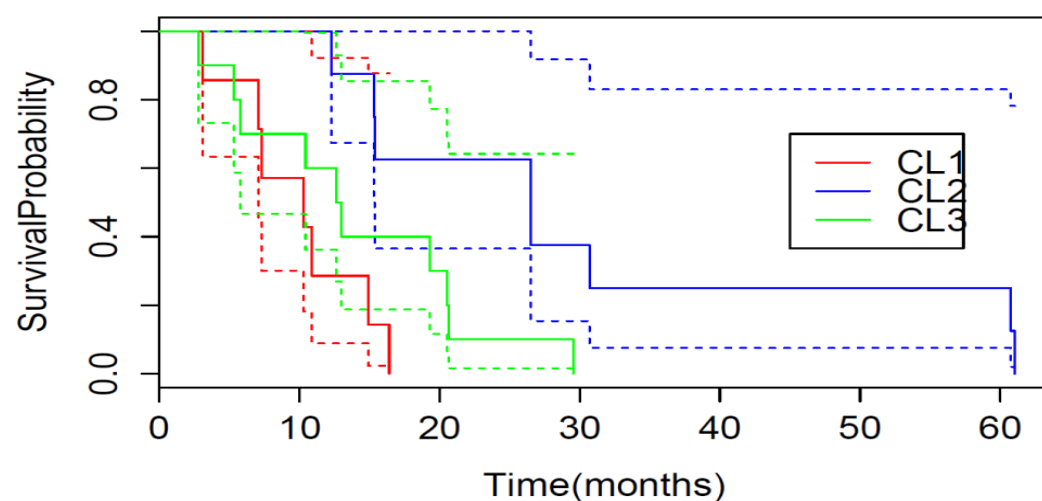


Figure 3.21. Hierarchical cluster analysis of the expression level of the hub genes associated with survival time. The analysis identified 3 clusters (CL) of MPM cases. Rows correspond to 25 hub genes associated with survival time and columns correspond to MPM cases (M).



Chisq= 13.5 on 2 degrees of freedom, p= 0.001

Figure 3.22. Kaplan-Meier overall survival plot for cluster (CL) 1, 2 and 3. This demonstrates CL1 has the worst prognosis while CL2 has the best prognosis.

The top three genes with the highest intra-modular connectivity are *PDRG1*, *E2F1* and *TIMM50* (Table 3.13). *PDRG1* may have a role in DNA damage response and study found its mRNA level is up and downregulated by ultraviolet radiation and *p53* respectively³⁰⁸. In addition, knockdown of *PDRG1* in colon cancer cell suppressed tumour cell growth and *PDRG1*-associated proteins are involved in apoptosis and cell cycle demonstrating its participation in cell growth regulation.

The expression of *E2F1*, a pivotal transcription factor involve in cell cycle, DNA synthesis, repair, proliferation and apoptosis, has been shown to be positively correlated with cancer cell proliferation³⁰⁹. The role of *E2F1* in MPM has been previously studied that demonstrated knock down of *E2F1* using small interfering RNA (siRNA) in MPM cell lines and in xenograft models treated with arsenic trioxide (ATO) significantly inhibited cell viability and proliferation³¹⁰.

TIMM50 facilitates transfer of proteins to the inner mitochondrial membrane required for normal mitochondrial function. *TIMM50* plays an active role in modulating growth and development while knockdown of *TIMM50* by siRNA increased the sensitivity of human cell lines to apoptosis by stimulating the release of mitochondrial apoptotic proteins that activate the caspase-dependent and –independent cell death pathways³¹¹.

Seven of the hub genes associated with survival time (*CDCA8*, *BUB1*, *PSMD8*, *SGOL1*, *CDC20*, *CENPH*, *TPX2*) are related to mitotic spindle assembly checkpoint (MSAC). Overexpression of *BUB1* has been previously described in MPM and is identified as one of the 11 genes in the prognostic classifier list associated with poor prognosis¹⁴². This serine/threonine protein kinase is a key component in mitotic checkpoint that regulates APC/C activity through recruitment of MAD1-MAD2 and inhibits APC/C activity by forming

a complex with other proteins to bind and phosphorylate an E3 ubiquitin ligase *CDC20* that regulates separation of chromosomes for degradation at specific mitotic stages³¹². *BUB1* also interacts with another novel gene in MPM, *SGOL1*, a protein-coding gene that maintains chromosome cohesion during mitosis³¹³. This in turn allows *SGOL1* to recruit a protein phosphatase, PP2, that retains cohesin at centromeres by counteracting PLK1 kinase activity to protect sister chromatids from early separation and maintain chromosomal stability. Several spliced variants of *SGOL1* have been identified and their overexpression resulted in aberrant chromosome alignment and resistance to taxane chemotherapy^{314,315}. Overexpression of *CDCA8*, a new component required for chromatin-induced microtubule stabilization and spindle formation is phosphorylated by *AURKB* and inhibition of *CDCA8* resulted in growth suppression of lung cancer cell *in vitro*³¹⁶.

Four other genes (*MCM7*, *PSMD8*, *RFC3*, *POLD2*) are related to DNA synthesis/replication. *PSMD8* is a 26S proteasome involved in activation of cyclin dependent kinase, *CDC28*, and shown to be upregulated in breast cancer³¹⁷. Overexpression of *MCM7* in body cavity fluid of patients with mesothelioma correlated positively with Ki-67 and *TOP2A* (also identified in the turquoise module with MM=0.69 and GS 2.12); and together are able to distinguish reactive mesothelial cells from malignant mesothelioma cells³¹⁸.

Both *POLD2* and *RFC3* are involved in DNA repair. *POLD2* is a subunit of the DNA polymerase delta complex whose expression is negatively regulated by tumour suppressor, *PTEN*. *POLD2* is known to be involved in ovarian carcinogenesis and is associated with poor survival in gliomas^{319,320}. *RFC3* is a novel gene in MPM and has the highest GS value associated with survival time. *RFC3* is a potential oncogene whose expression is upregulated by cancer promoter genes, *MYCN* and *SHH*; and downregulated by tumour suppressors *TP53* and *CDKN2A* of which the latter is frequently lost in MPM^{321–324}. In addition, *E2F1* is able to

promote *RFC3* expression by binding to the *RFC3* gene promoter region³²⁵.

3.4 Discussions

MPM is a highly aggressive tumour with poor prognosis and limited treatment options. MPM is categorized into three broad histological subtypes (epithelioid, sarcomatoid and biphasic) according to the presence and relative amount of epithelioid and spindle cell components. Histological subtype is one of the main prognostic factors in MPM but this is not always the case³²⁶. Gene expression profiling has successfully reclassified tumours into different subtypes and prognostic groups with more precision³²⁷. This is based on molecular signatures identified from gene expression variations that correlate with cellular and physiological state of the disease.

Our global gene expression profiling study of MPM compared to non-malignant pleura revealed diverse molecular events that may contribute to the phenotype of this disease. Our data identified aberrant expression of genes involved in biological functions such as cell junction organization including cell morphology, movement and interactions with ECM, cell cycle process, and immune system regulation. The top five differentially expressed genes (*ITLN1*, *UPK1B*, *UPK3B*, *CALB2* and *LRRN4*) with the highest absolute FC in expression level in our study are notable as potential diagnostic biomarkers (except *CALB2* which is an established validated IHC marker for the diagnosis of MPM) and their roles in the pathogenesis of MPM require further studies.

Uncontrolled cell growth and proliferation due to aberrant cell cycle regulation is one of the hallmarks of cancer. The *CDKN2A* locus that encodes p16^{INK4A} and p14^{ARF} (components of pRb and p53 cell cycle regulatory pathways); and *CDKN2B* are frequently deleted in MPM

leading to uncontrolled cell cycle progression³²⁸. Our study further supports the role of cell cycle genes in MPM progression and maintenance. We identified genes associated with cell cycle checkpoint, MSAC, and tumours with high expression of MSAC genes could potentially be targeted with nontaxane molecular inhibitor, epithilone B, as shown by Suraokar *et al*¹³⁴.

Cell junctions comprise of adhesive protein complexes that provide contact and signalling between neighbouring cells or between cell and the ECM thereby regulating cell morphology, adhesions and mobility. Abnormal expression of genes involved in these processes is implicated in tumorigenesis including malignant transformation, migration/invasion and metastasis³²⁹. We observed FAK, a cytoplasmic tyrosine kinase and a multifunctional regulator of cell signalling within the tumour microenvironment, is at the intersection of many of the genes and pathways associated with cell morphology, adhesions and migration. In addition, several upregulated growth factors and/or their receptors identified in our study including *EGFR*, *FGF9*, *FGF18*, *MET* and *HMMR* are capable of activating FAK. The amino-terminal domain of FAK interacts with intracellular domain of *EGFR* and is an important signalling integrator for *EGF-EGFR* mediated cell migration³³⁰. The fibroblast growth factors are also implicated in phosphorylation of FAK at Ser-910³³¹. *MET* has also been shown to have direct interaction with FAK independently of its ligand *HGF*³³². Hyaluronan, a glycosaminoglycan of the ECM, binds to its receptor *HMMR* and are able to induce epithelial cell lines to undergo transformation to mesenchymal-like phenotype and activation of PI3K/Akt pathway via FAK³³³.

In addition, we identified genes involved in Hedgehog and WNT signalling pathways. Deregulated Hedgehog signalling is active in MPM with significant increase in expression of *GLI*, sonic hedgehog and human hedgehog interacting protein detected by q-PCR and *in situ*

hybridisation in tumour samples³³⁴. *LRP2* an important regulator of Hedgehog signalling is one of the top 20 up-regulated genes (adj. p value= 0.002, FC= 30.48) in our study. Aberrant WNT signalling is active in MPM and targeting WNT signals using siRNA or antibodies against *WNT1* or 2 and dominant-negative *Dvl* led to suppression of mesothelioma cells growth *in vitro*^{171,173,252,253}. Our findings further support the involvement of these two pathways in MPM carcinogenesis that may have potential therapeutic implications.

Interestingly, recent studies have identified interactions between both Hedgehog and WNT pathways with FAK signalling. *In vitro* study on hepatoma cell line showed Sonic hedgehog mediated cell migration and invasion by regulating FAK/AKT signalling pathways. Enhancing Hedgehog signalling by rSHH-N led to increased phosphorylation of AKT and FAK while Hedgehog signalling inhibitor resulted in decreased AKT and FAK activities³³⁵. On the contrary, FAK appears to act upstream of WNT signalling as demonstrated in MCF-7 breast cancer cell line whereby suppression of FAK led to reduced *WNT3/3A* expression levels³³⁶.

As described, many of the genes and pathways identified are linked to FAK signalling. However, *PTK2* that encodes FAK was not identified as one of the differentially expressed genes in our data. The Cancer Genome Atlas showed high messenger RNA (mRNA) levels of FAK in several cancer types and activation of FAK identified with antibody recognition of the FAK Y397 auto-phosphorylation site correlated with tumour progression³³⁷. Other study observed increased FAK activity is associated with *PTK2* amplification or copy number gain but does not always correlate with FAK mRNA expression and mRNA level does not always translate into FAK protein level³³⁸. In MPM, *NF2* that encodes Merlin is frequently inactivated and Merlin is required to inhibit tumour growth and cell contact through reduction of several signalling pathways including FAK-Src³³⁹. Merlin negative MPM cell lines depend

on cell-ECM induced FAK signalling and are particularly sensitive to FAK inhibitor *in vivo* and *in vitro*³⁴⁰. Taking all these together, our data suggest the role of FAK in MPM require further exploration and in fact FAK inhibitors have already been tested in patients with MPM showing positive results³⁴¹.

Our analysis revealed 78 out of 352 downregulated genes are associated with immune system regulation suggesting contribution of dysfunctional immune system to the transformation and progression of this disease. The interaction of cancer and the immune system is complex and involves the interactions between tumour immunogenicity, cooperation of all known effectors in both innate and adaptive immunity that regulates host's immune response and capabilities of cancer cells to evade the immune system³⁴².

MPM is considered weakly immunogenic but a case report of spontaneous tumour regression provided evidence for anti-tumour response mounted by modulation of the immune system³⁴³. Subsequently, studies showed the presence of tumour-infiltrating CD8+ T cells in MPM tumours is associated with better prognosis in patients undergoing surgery and higher CD8+ T cells is also associated with reduced metastases in patients with MPM receiving chemotherapy^{344,345}. Our data demonstrated downregulation of several immune-related genes that might result in impaired anti-tumour immune response. These genes are involved in recruitment, activation and expansion of immune cells including CD8+ T cells and genes involved in antigen processing and presenting. Modulating the immune system with recombinant viral proteins, vaccines or antibody and dendritic-cell based applications is an appealing approach in targeting tumours including MPM. This strategy involves inducing antigen-specific immune response to activate cytotoxicity and eventually generate immunological memory to ensure long-term remission. In fact, preclinical data and clinical studies in MPM have shown promising cytotoxic result with antibodies against immune check

point receptors such as cytotoxic T lymphocyte antigen-4 and programmed cell death protein-1^{346–348}. In addition, other immune-related genes (*SELE*, *CD40* and *CIITA*) that could potentially be modulated with immunotherapy have also been identified from our study.

WGCNA allows the identification of groups of genes (modules) that are co-expressed independent of phenotypes and share similar biological process. This methodology has successfully revealed molecular targets including *ASPM* gene in glioblastoma and networks associated with survival in breast cancer^{204,349}. We used WGCNA to assess the data set containing 3092 differentially expressed genes with an adjusted p-value of ≤ 0.05 . This identified 14 modules of which the blue module (436 genes) and the turquoise module (605 genes) are significantly associated with histological subtypes and survival time respectively. We then chose the hub genes (genes with high connectivity in the respective module as measured by MM and high significance for the respective clinical trait as measured by GS) with an arbitrary cut off values of MM and GS to stratify histological subtypes and prognosis.

We identified 31 hub genes in the blue module of which 26 have a FC in expression level of ≥ 2 . Seven (*PLLP*, *PRR15*, *LRRN4*, *BNC1*, *UPK3B*, *MMP24*, *C19orf33*) out of these 26 genes are in the top 20 differentially expressed genes with the highest FC in expression level. These hub genes are able to distinguish 4 out of the 5 biphasic tumours from the epithelioid subtypes. One of the biphasic tumour is grouped with 8 epithelioid subtypes in CL2 and the remaining 12 epithelioid subtypes are grouped in CL3. *CARNS1* has the highest connectivity in the module and is associated with tumour suppressor Mpsin. Its differential expression across the three clusters suggests a tumour suppressive function of Mpsin in the pathogenesis of the different MPM subtypes. Interestingly, a recent study revealed the role of Mpsin in modulating the immune system towards tumour elimination by depleting cancer cells of the stemness and regulating the HDAC1-dependent cytokine expression profile to reduce immune

suppression¹. Thus, Mapsin- based therapies may have an important therapeutic implication in MPM.

PRR15 has the highest GS value associated with histological subtypes and its up- and down-regulation are associated with TGF- β and WNT signalling respectively. Based on the differential expression of *PRR15* in the 3 molecular subtypes, we hypothesised these two pathways may be preferentially activated across the different subtypes which could explain the more aggressive and invasive phenotype of biphasic tumours in CL1 compared to epithelioid tumours in CL3. In addition, the expression of *ADAM19*, one of the hub genes that is a downstream effector of TGF- β , is higher in CL1. This further supports our assumption that TGF- β might be the preferential pathway in CL1. We interrogated the other genes in the blue module and identified an additional 9 genes (*TGFB2*, *WNT9A*, *WNT7B*, *WNT2B*, *CDH1*, *INADL*, *PARD6B*, *MPP5* and *PRKCI*) that are associated with these two pathways.

TGF- β is a recognised stimulator of EMT process that was first observed in cell culture and subsequently several *in vitro* studies demonstrated similar findings^{350–352}. TGF- β -induced EMT occurs not only via Smad-dependent pathway but also via activation of MAPK pathway and small GTPases of the Rho family to regulate transcription of regulators of EMT and cell proliferation^{353–355}. The involvement of EMT process is further supported by the overexpression of other hub genes: *ANXA6*, *ADAMTS6* and *RASGRP3*; that are involved in ECM degradation. The process of physiological EMT involves a defined sequence of events for the conversion of epithelial tissue into a mesenchymal phenotype but this coordination is lost and occurs in a haphazard manner in cancer. Cancer cells undergo EMT to promote migration and invasion involving the transcriptional downregulation of genes that maintain epithelial apical-basolateral polarity, cytoskeletal organisation, cell-cell contact (tight junctions, adherens junctions and desmosomes); and upregulation of genes associated with

ECM-remodelling, mesenchymal cytoskeleton and cell migration. We examined the expression profiles of mesenchymal markers *SNAI1*, *SNAI2*, *TWIST*, *ZEB1* and *ZEB2*. These genes have been shown to be the main regulators of EMT that induce epigenetic silencing of *CDH1* by binding to its promoter region^{356–359}. The expression of *SNAI1*, *SNAI2*, *TWIST* and *ZEB2* are consistently higher in CL1 and the differences in expression level are statistically different across the three clusters. We demonstrated EMT process might have an important role in governing the morphological differences across the subtypes and these observations are in keeping with a published study in MPM³⁶⁰.

We identified 25 hub genes in the turquoise module that are significantly associated with survival time. Further interrogation into these genes revealed their significant association with cell-cycle process. Aberrant cell cycle regulation is a common oncogenic event in many tumour types including MPM. These hub genes are able to categorise the tumours into three prognostic groups. *PDGRI* has the highest connectivity with other genes in the turquoise module. This gene has not been reported in MPM and is implicated in defective DNA repair pathway. This is particularly relevant in MPM as 80% of MPM is attributed to asbestos that is capable of inducing DNA damage. *Lam et al* demonstrated the expression level of *E2F1*, one of the top hub genes associated with survival time, together with *SKP2* could be downregulated by ATO. Thus, further studies are warranted to investigate the clinical use of ATO in MPM.

Seven of the 25 prognostic hub genes are also associated with MSAC and 5 of these (*CDCA8*, *PSMD8*, *SGOL1*, *CDC20*, *CENPH*) have not been reported in MPM. Similar findings on deregulation of MSAC pathway were also reported by Crispi *et al* and Suraokar *et al*^{134,222}. These further support the importance of MSAC genes in the pathogenesis of MPM.

Four prognostic hub genes (*BUB1*, *SGOL1*, *TPX2* and *CDCA8*) are associated with Aurora kinase signalling that could have therapeutic implications. It is worth noting that the prognostic role of *BUB1* in MPM is further supported by 2 other published studies and is included in the 11 prognostic classifier gene list by Glinski *et al*^{142,222}. *In vitro* study showed promising activity of aurora kinase inhibitor in inhibiting MPM cell growth and trials have been set up testing several commercially available aurora kinase inhibitors in MPM³⁶¹.

There are few limitations identified from our study. Firstly, our sample size might not be the largest to date and this is mainly due to the low incidence of MPM compared to other solid tumours and the small tissue size obtained for diagnostic purpose results in inadequate surplus tissues for research. The latter can also affect the quality and yield of RNA obtained. In addition, majority of the frozen tumour samples used in our study were not stored in RNAlater that might affect the integrity of RNA. This explains the reason for the need to use higher RNA quantity for the tumour samples compared to controls in generating cDNA.

Gene expression microarray experiments can be affected by a number of non-biological variables that can have an impact on the results³⁶². These variables are termed batch effects and include differences such as reagents lot, the time, place and technicians carrying out the experiments. Of the batch effects identified in our study, the number of array plates used accounted for 2.5% of the variance in the RMA treated data. Lastly, treatment data for the majority of the tumour cases were not available and therefore the survival time could be confounded by treatments received along the course of the disease.

In conclusion, our study identified simultaneous aberrant expression in genes involved in cell migration, invasion, cell cycle and the immune system that support the malignant phenotype of this disease. To our knowledge, WGCNA methodology has not been applied in MPM

transcriptome data. Through this approach, we identified hub genes that are able to stratify tumours into three distinct molecular subtypes and prognostic groups. Our analyses identified several pathways including FAK (and its downstream pathways including MAPK and PI3K), TGF- β , Hedgehog, WNT, MSAC and Aurora kinase that might contribute to the pathogenesis of MPM and these should be evaluated further for potential therapeutic targets.

Chapter 4 - Whole Exome Sequencing of Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

4.1 Introduction

Approximately 85% of human diseases occur as a result of mutations in the protein coding regions of the genome. Therefore, selective sequencing of protein coding regions, the exome, allows identification of mutations relevant to the disease. Whole exome sequencing provides higher sequence coverage, manageable output data, lower costs and higher sensitivity to detect mutations with low allele frequencies compared with whole-genome sequencing. These benefits generally outweigh the limitations of exome sequencing, which rely on an initial hybridization step and therefore can lead to exome “dropout” and failure to capture anything not included in the original exome probe library.

In recent years, whole exome sequencing has successfully revealed the molecular landscape in a variety of cancer types³⁶³. This has provided key understanding in the biological mechanisms relevant to the disease with improvement in personalised medicine to inform treatment choices, early diagnosis and other potential therapeutic discovery.

Little is known about the full genetic landscape of malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) but previous studies have consistently identified several genetic alterations in MPM. These include frequent losses of chromosome arms 1p, 3p, 9p and 22q; gains in chromosome 1q, 5p, 7p, 8q, and 17q; and inactivation of *CDKN2A*, *NF2* and *BAP1*^{106,364}. The use of next-generation sequencing in MPM is rare compared to other tumour types. Thus far, whole genome sequencing of a single MPM tumour and matched normal tissue has been reported

and uncovered chromosomal rearrangement events as the dominant type of molecular aberrations¹⁰⁷. These included 15 rearrangements that disrupted 17 genes and one of these resulted in a large deletion in *DPP10* of which its expression was associated with significantly better survival compared to patients whose tumours lacked *DPP10* expression. Two other groups have carried out whole exome sequencing with MPM cell lines and identified molecular aberrations in genes associated with mammalian SWI/SNF chromatin remodelling complexes and histone modifiers^{143,365}. The first comprehensive overview of the molecular landscape in MPM was revealed by Guo *et al* who performed whole exome sequencing together with copy number alteration analysis on 22 MPM frozen tissues and matched blood samples¹⁴⁴. They confirmed frequent genetic alterations in previously described genes including *CDKN2A*, *NF2*, *BAP1* and a novel gene, *CUL1*. To explore further the molecular alterations underlying MPM, we performed whole exome sequencing on a discovery cohort consisted of seven matched pairs of MPM frozen tissues and whole blood; and a validation cohort of 29 MPM frozen tissues without matched normal counterparts.

4.2 Materials and Methods

4.2.1 Tissues acquisition and preparation

A total of eight frozen tumour tissues and matched blood samples (discovery cohort) were identified from EQUALITY study, an Imperial College London-sponsored, prospective study on thoracic cancers undergoing biopsy at St George's Hospital (REC reference: 10/H0808/53). A further 29 frozen tumour tissues without matched blood samples (validation cohort) were provided by National Institute for Health Research-Biomedical Research Units (NIHR-BRU) Advanced Lung Disease Biobank and Royal Brompton and Harefield (RBH) NHS Trust Diagnostic Tissue Bank. Tissues were collected during diagnostic procedure prior

to any anti-cancer treatment. In addition, 13 formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tumour blocks from the validation cohort were identified and selected to undergo laser microdissection (LCM) (Chapter 2 section 2.2.2.4) or microtomy section (Chapter 2 section 2.2.2.1) to isolate adjacent non-tumour cells for matched normal DNA.

Tumour frozen tissues and FFPE were sectioned, stained with routine haematoxylin and eosin, and reviewed by two certified pathologists to verify tumour histology, abundance and to identify adjacent non-tumour areas in the FFPE sections (Chapter 2 section 2.2.2.2 and 2.2.2.3). Tumour tissues with a minimum arbitrary threshold of 30% viable-appearing malignant cells were selected for genomic deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) isolation.

4.2.2 DNA isolation plus quantity and quality assessments

Total genomic DNA was isolated from frozen tumour tissues using the phenol-chloroform method as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.5.1. Briefly, equal volume of phenol-chloroform was added in a stepwise manner to an aqueous solution of homogenised tissue. By mixing the two phases and separating them by centrifugation yielded the lower organic phase and the upper DNA-containing aqueous phase. DNA was then precipitated with 100% ethanol and the pellet was isolated by centrifugation.

DNA isolation from whole blood samples was carried out with Wizard[®] Genomic DNA Purification Kit (Promega, London, UK) following the manufacturer's instructions (Chapter 2 section 2.2.5.2). Briefly, red blood cells were lysed followed by lysis of white blood cells and their nuclei. The cellular proteins were removed by salt-precipitation method that resulted in a lower protein-containing phase and an upper DNA-containing phase. DNA was precipitated with isopropanol and pellet was obtained by centrifugation. DNA from non-tumour FFPE

sections was isolated with BiOstic[®] FFPE Tissue DNA Isolation Kit (MO Bio Laboratories, California, USA) as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.5.3.

DNA yield and purity were assessed using the Thermo Scientific NanoDropTM 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies) and Quant-iTTM PicoGreen[®] dsDNA Assay Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA).

4.2.3 Whole exome sequencing

Genomic DNA from tumour and blood samples were fragmented and hybridised as per SureSelect^{XT} Target Enrichment System for Illumina Paired-End Multiplex Sequencing protocol (Chapter 2 section 2.2.6). The captured libraries were sequenced on Illumina HiSeq2000 according to the standard protocol.

4.2.4 Data processing and quality control

Read alignment and data quality control were processed with GATK software from the Broad Institute. Variant calling was carried out with GATK Unified Genotyper variant discovery tool¹⁹⁶. The variants were annotated with ANNOVAR to obtain gene-based (e.g. functional consequences on genes), region-based (e.g. conserved regions) and filter-based annotations (e.g. 1000 Genomes Project, dbSNP) for each variant.

4.2.5 Candidate somatic variants

After removing germline variants, the annotated file was subjected to a series of filtering steps to identify candidate somatic variants. Single nucleotide variants (SNV) and

insertions/deletions (indels) with a quality score of <50 or present in either dbSNP138, 1000 Genomes Project or NHLBI GO Exome Sequencing Project were filtered out. Potential driver mutations were identified from one of the following criteria:

- somatic non-synonymous SNV predicted to alter protein function by one of the three algorithms: Polyphen-2 (genetics.bwh.harvard.edu/pph2/), SIFT (sift.jcvi.org/) and MutationTaster (mutationtaster.org/)
- recurrent somatic mutations that cluster in a specific domain of the gene (mutation hotspots) or recurrent somatic mutations distributed along a gene
- genes implicated in other types of malignancy

4.2.6 Pathway analysis

Somatic mutations (nonsense, damaging or deleterious missense, splicing mutations and indels) were analysed for pathway enrichment with NetworkAnalyst tool whereby genes from our exome data were used as priory and mapped to a manually curated protein-protein interaction database to construct non-random networks¹⁹⁸.

4.2.7 Validation of candidate mutations

Specific primers were designed with Primer3web (version 4.0.0) or ExonPrimer (<http://ihg.gsf.de/ihg/ExonPrimer.html>) to amplify candidate SNV or indels using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) with HotStarTaq *Plus* Master Mix kit (Qiagen, Crawley, UK) followed by Sanger sequencing (Chapter 2 section 2.2.6.3).

4.3 Results

4.3.1 Cases demographic and clinical characteristics

Genomic DNA was isolated from a total of 37 frozen tumour tissues with and without matched blood samples (discovery cohort = 8 matched pairs of tumour tissues and blood, validation cohort = 29 frozen tissues) and whole exome was sequenced successfully for all but one (MESOEQ15) from discovery cohort. Table 4.1 summarises the cases and tumour characteristics. The majority of the cases were of male gender and 35% of the cases were above 70 years of age. About 70% of cases had a documented exposure to asbestos and 62% of cases had ever smoked. Stage of disease was not or poorly recorded and was unreliable in this dataset hence it was not included. Epithelioid MPM was the predominant subtype and no sarcomatoid MPM was identified from both cohorts. The mean tumour abundance was lower in the discovery cohort compared to the validation cohort and a total of 17 tumour samples (see Table 4.2 and 4.3) had less than the minimum 60% tumour abundance requirement according to the International Cancer Genome Consortium guidelines³⁶⁶. Treatment data were not available for majority of the cases as further oncological management was undertaken by the referring hospitals after completing the diagnostic procedures.

Table 4.1. Baseline demographics and clinical characteristics of discovery and validation cohorts. CT=chemotherapy, RT=radiotherapy.

Characteristics	Discovery cohort (n=7)	Validation cohort (n=29)
Age, years		
Median	68	67
Range	60-80	52-82
≤ 70	5 (71%)	18 (62%)
> 70	2 (29%)	11 (38%)
Sex		
Male	5 (71%)	23 (79%)
Female	2 (29%)	6 (21%)
Smoking		
Ever smoked	6 (86%)	17 (59%)
Never smoked	0	9 (31%)
Not known	1 (14%)	3 (10%)
Asbestos exposure		
Yes	4 (57%)	22 (76%)
No	2 (29%)	6 (21%)
Not known	1 (14%)	1 (3%)
Histological subtypes		
Epithelioid MPM	6 (86%)	21 (72%)
Biphasic MPM	1 (14%)	8 (28%)
Sarcomatoid MPM	0	0
Tumour abundance (%)		
Mean	50	65
Range	30-80	30-95
Treatment		
CT		4 (14%)
RT		2 (7%)
CT+RT		3 (10%)
None		4 (14%)
Not known	7 (100%)	16 (55%)

4.3.2 DNA results

From the discovery cohort, the median DNA yield from tumour and matched blood was 67.1 micrograms (μg) (ranged from 12.7-273.1 μg) and 79.4 μg (ranged from 35.3-111.7 μg) respectively (Table 4.2).

Table 4.2. Total DNA results of discovery cohort. Tumour samples denoted by MESOEQ##TF and matched blood samples denoted by MESOEQ##BL. DNA concentration (Cx) in ng/ μl and 260/280 ratio quantified by Thermo Scientific NanoDrop™ 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies). NA= not applicable.

Sample ID	Tumour %	Cx (ng/ μl)	volume (μl)	Yield(μg)	260/280
MESOEQ13TF	30	496.2	250	124.1	1.9
MESOEQ21TF	70	268.3	250	67.1	1.9
MESOEQ22TF	30	50.6	250	12.7	1.8
MESOEQ30TF	30	172.3	250	43.1	2.0
MESOEQ36TF	80	1092.4	250	273.1	2.0
MESOEQ38TF	50	631.7	250	157.9	1.9
MESOEQ40TF	70	174.7	250	43.7	2.0
MESOEQ13BL	NA	44.1	800	35.3	2.1
MESOEQ21BL	NA	52.2	800	41.8	1.9
MESOEQ22BL	NA	52.3	800	41.8	2.0
MESOEQ30BL	NA	129.9	800	104.0	1.9
MESOEQ36BL	NA	101.0	800	80.8	1.9
MESOEQ38BL	NA	99.2	800	79.4	1.9
MESOEQ40BL	NA	139.6	800	111.7	1.9

The median DNA yield was 100 μg (ranged from 14.7-562.5 μg) in the validation cohort (Table 4.3).

Table 4.3. Total DNA results of validation cohort. Tumour samples denoted by MESOD##. DNA concentration (Cx) in ng/μl and 260/280 ratio quantified by Thermo Scientific NanoDrop™ 1000 Spectrophotometer (NanoDrop Technologies).

Sample ID	Tumour %	Cx (ng/μl)	Yield(μg)	260/280
MESOD1	30	58.7	14.7	1.6
MESOD2	30	61.6	15.4	1.6
MESOD3	55	77.9	19.5	1.6
MESOD5	80	108.6	27.1	1.7
MESOD6	30	133.1	33.3	1.9
MESOD8	40	166.8	41.7	1.8
MESOD10	90	215.6	53.9	1.9
MESOD12	95	238.9	59.7	1.9
MESOD13	50	270.9	67.7	1.9
MESOD14	80	281.2	70.3	1.7
MESOD15	40	336.3	84.1	1.9
MESOD16	95	348.4	87.1	1.9
MESOD17	70	388.4	97.1	1.9
MESOD18	90	389.4	97.3	1.9
MESOD19	70	402.9	100.7	2.0
MESOD21	30	419.2	104.8	1.9
MESOD22	90	443.8	111.0	2.0
MESOD24	50	483.9	121.0	1.9
MESOD25	95	533.5	133.4	1.9
MESOD26	70	596.9	149.2	1.9
MESOD27	70	602.0	150.5	2.0
MESOD28	35	624.2	156.1	1.9
MESOD29	80	927.9	232.0	1.9
MESOD30	40	1134.1	283.5	2.0
MESOD31	90	1196.6	299.2	2.0
MESOD32	90	1422.7	355.7	1.9
MESOD33	40	1794.1	448.5	2.0
MESOD34	80	2250.0	562.5	1.9
MESOD35	90	479.5	119.9	2.0

In an attempt to obtain matched normal for the validation set, LCM and microtomy section of adjacent non-malignant areas were carried out on eight and five FFPE tumour blocks respectively. The DNA yield was virtually zero for the LCM samples while the DNA yield from two of the samples sectioned with microtome was critically low (Table 4.4). The DNA from the remaining three sectioned samples was not taken forward for whole exome sequencing.

Table 4.4. Total DNA results of matched normal from validation cohort. DNA concentration (Cx) in ng/μl quantified by Quant-iT™ PicoGreen® dsDNA Assay Kit (Life Technologies, California, USA).

Sample ID	Cx (ng/μl)	volume (μl)	Yield (μg)
MESOD35N	-0.03	16	nil
MESOD30N	-0.03	16	nil
MESOD19N	0.02	16	0.3
MESOD14N	0.38	16	6.1
MESOD2N	0.01	16	0.2
MESOD32N	0.30	16	4.9
MESOD6N	-0.05	16	nil
MESOD29N	-0.06	16	nil
MESOD24N	2.07	40	82.8
MESOD28N	5.17	40	206.9
MESOD33N	5.10	40	204.1
MESOD3N	2.37	40	94.7
MESOD6N	4.25	40	170.1

4.3.3 Overview of somatic mutations in discovery cohort

The exomes were successfully sequenced for all 7 matched pairs of tumour and blood DNA except MESOEQ15. An average of 3.5Gb sequencing data were generated for each sample with a mean coverage of 164X for tumour and 106X for normal (blood) (Table 4.5 and Appendix 4.1). On average, 98.5% of the bases sequenced achieved 10X coverage.

Table 4.5. Total number of bases sequenced and mean coverage results.

Case ID	Tumour bases sequenced	Normal bases sequenced	Mean tumour exome coverage	Mean normal exome coverage
MESOEQ13	5.10E+07	5.10E+07	214.9	78.3
MESOEQ21	5.10E+07	5.10E+07	188.8	83.4
MESOEQ22	5.10E+07	5.10E+07	139.6	101.0
MESOEQ30	5.09E+07	5.09E+07	105.1	144.9
MESOEQ36	5.10E+07	5.10E+07	114.2	143.0
MESOEQ38	5.10E+07	5.10E+07	162.2	82.2
MESOEQ40	5.09E+07	5.09E+07	224.4	106.6

After filtering, we identified a total of 1,226 somatic mutations in 1,074 genes of potential biological significance distributed predominantly in the protein coding (97.7%) and to a lesser extent in the splice site (2.3%) regions. These included 334 synonymous mutations, 765 missense mutations, 84 nonsense mutations including 83 stop-gain and 1 stop-loss mutation, 28 splice site mutations and 15 insertions/deletions including 12 indels causing frameshift mutations and 3 indels that did not alter reading frame. A median of 78 somatic mutations in exonic/splice site regions per tumour sample was observed with MESOEQ38 harbouring small numbers of somatic mutations and MESOEQ22 having a higher rate of somatic

mutations compared to the rest (Table 4.6). The observed ratio of non-synonymous to synonymous change was 2.5 with 88.3% of the SNV occurring at G:C base pairs. The observed somatic mutation spectrum in the seven tumour samples showed G:C>A:T as the predominant transition and transversion was dominated by G:C > T:A as noted in other cancers such as non-small cell and small cell lung cancers^{367,368}.

Table 4.6. Distribution of somatic mutations across each sample.

Mutation types	MESOEQ 13	MESOEQ 21	MESOEQ 22	MESOEQ 30	MESOEQ 36	MESOEQ 38	MESOEQ 40
Silent	26	19	210	59	19	9	51
nonsense	3	0	69	11	1	0	3
missense	31	55	509	123	18	16	91
splicing	2	3	16	4	1	1	4
indels	0	1	1	9	1	0	3
Total	62	78	805	206	40	26	152

After removing non-silent mutations, a total of 892 somatic mutations across 821 genes were identified. A median of 69 non-synonymous mutations per tumour sample was observed. These are much lower compared to solid tumours with known mutagens such as lung cancer and melanoma where 200 missense mutations per tumour have been observed³⁶⁹. We used three functional prediction algorithms to evaluate missense mutations for the identification of potential driver mutations. Of the 765 missense mutations, functional impact could not be predicted for 22 variants using all three algorithms possibly due to non-availability of suitable transcripts. The remaining 743 missense variants, 208 (28.0%) missense mutations were predicted by all three algorithms, 205 (27.5%) were predicted by two out of the three algorithms and 185 (24.9%) were predicted by one out of the three algorithms to be at least

probably damaging or deleterious (Appendix 4.2).

4.3.4 Overview of mutations in validation cohort

In the validation cohort of 29 tumour samples, each sample was sequenced at a mean coverage of 149X and an average of 98.9% bases were covered at 10X. After filtering, a total of 4,684 mutations were identified comprising of 1,253 synonymous mutations, 2,764 missense mutations, 110 nonsense mutations and 553 indels or substitution of which 305 indels and substitution altered the reading frame. By excluding non-silent mutations, there were a total of 3,431 mutations distributed across 2,764 genes.

4.3.5 Candidate genes

Candidate genes were selected based on any one of these criteria: (a) nonsense, splicing, indels and missense mutations with protein alteration predicted to be probably damaging or deleterious by one of the three functional algorithms (b) overlapping variants present in one or more tumour sample in discovery cohort and validation cohort (c) genes reported to be associated with cancers. We selected several variants and confirmed the presence of the mutations with Sanger sequencing (Appendix 4.3).

We found the mucin family genes, in particularly *MUC4* and *MUC12*, frequently mutated in more than 70% of the tumours in both cohorts. These results should be interpreted with caution since the mucin genes encode for extremely large proteins and the statistical tests in variant calling have not taken into account larger target size. Thus, these variants are likely to be false positives.

Other mucin genes that were less frequently mutated included *MUC5B* and *MUC16* in 14% of

all tumours. The somatic status was determined in two out of nine *MUC5B* variants and four out of six *MUC16* variants. The role of *MUC5B* in cancer has not been studied extensively but results from breast cancer cell lines demonstrated its capability in promoting tumour proliferation and invasion³⁷⁰. Interestingly, *MUC16* is known to bind to mesothelin, frequently overexpressed in epithelioid MPM and promotes MPM cell invasion by inducing *MMP-9*³⁷¹. However, it is not known how mutations in *MUC16* might alter *MSLN-MUC16* molecular interaction contributing to carcinogenesis.

SAFB2, scaffold attachment factor B2, and its paralog *SAFBI* act as transcriptional repressor regulating genes involved in apoptosis and the immune system³⁷². Four mutations were noted in *SAFB2* and of these a somatic non-synonymous mutation resulting in T950P protein change occurred in 61% of all tumours. It is uncommon for a hotspot mutation to occur at such high frequency and further interrogation revealed the variant is present in Exome Aggregation Consortium (ExAC) data set with an allele frequency of 0.007. This is unlikely to be a disease-causing variant as it would imply the incidence of MPM to be 1 in 142. Two other recurrent mutated genes in the discovery cohort include *SRCAP* and *SHANK3* but these are considered not significant in MPM as the variants are also present in ExAC database.

Two other novel genes not described previously as mutated in MPM are *AIDA* and *SPDYE6*. Somatic mutations in *AIDA*, an Axin-interacting protein, are present in two tumours and also mutated in an additional tumour in the validation cohort accounting for 8.3% of all tumours. *SPDYE6*, one of the speedy/RINGO family members E, mutations were also observed in 8.3% of all tumours. A somatic missense mutation resulting in protein change p.R337H occurred in two tumours and an additional mutation (p.R305C) was present in one tumour in the validation set. The speedy/RINGO family members E have been shown to activate cyclin dependent kinases *CDK1*, *CDK2* and *CDK5* but their interactions resulted in slow G2-M

transition of the cell cycle³⁷³.

Next, we compared non-silent mutations present in discovery cohort to genes from the Catalogue of Somatic Mutations in Cancer (COSMIC) database and genes implicated in cancer as reported by Vogelstein et al and Leiserson et al^{369,374}. These revealed somatic mutations in 40 genes implicated in human cancers across the tumours in discovery cohort except MESOEQ21 and MESOEQ38 (Appendix 4.4). The majority of the mutations occurred in not more than one tumour except mutations in *NF2* and *XPC* present in two out of seven tumours. Twelve of these genes were also mutated in the validation cohort including *BAP1* and *NF2* (Appendix 4.5).

BAP1 mutations occurred in 25% of all tumour samples combined (one from discovery cohort and eight from validation cohort). Eleven variants of different mutation types (Table 4.7) were distributed across *BAP1* with the majority occurring in the ubiquitin carboxy-terminal hydrolase and nuclear localisation signal domains that might result in loss of *BAP1* ubiquitinase activity (Figure 4.1). Tumour MESOEQ22 and MESOD25 each harboured two *BAP1* mutations. We were not able to determine the somatic status of these mutations except for a stop codon (p.E373X) in MESOEQ22 that also harboured a germline *BAP1* mutation (p.R227C). Three variants were confirmed with Sanger sequencing including the germline mutation in MESOEQ22. Interestingly, C/G to T/A transition in exon 16 that results in a stop codon (p.Q684X) in MESOD18 has been reported as a germline mutation in a family with individuals diagnosed with MPM and skin cancers⁸⁴. Germline *BAP1* mutation has been identified to predispose individuals to a hereditary cancer syndrome including MPM, uveal melanoma, cutaneous melanoma, and renal cell carcinoma⁸⁵. There was a strong family history of cancers in MESOD18 with individuals diagnosed with MPM, lung and oesophageal cancer while there was only one family individual with head and neck cancer for

MESOEQ22. The phenotype of *BAP1* cancer syndrome is still not fully characterised and it is not known if the family history of cancers in these two cases represent part of the syndrome.

Table 4.7. *BAP1* mutations in both discovery and validation cohort. E= epithelioid MPM, B= biphasic MPM.

Samples ID	Mutation types	Protein change	Somatic / Germline	Validation: Sanger sequencing	Subtype
MESOEQ22	nonsynonymous	p.R227C	germline	yes	E
MESOEQ22	stopgain	p.E373X	somatic	no	E
MESOD27	frameshift deletion	p.56_62del,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD22	frameshift deletion	p.R114fs,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD17	frameshift deletion	p.558_560del,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD14	frameshift deletion	p.162_162del,	unknown	not done	B
MESOD10	frameshift deletion	p.146_147del,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD25	frameshift insertion	p.K658fs,	unknown	not done	B
MESOD25	nonframeshift deletion	p.659_659del,	unknown	not done	B
MESOD13	nonsynonymous	p.H141P,	unknown	yes	E
MESOD18	stopgain	p.Q684X,	reported germline	yes	E

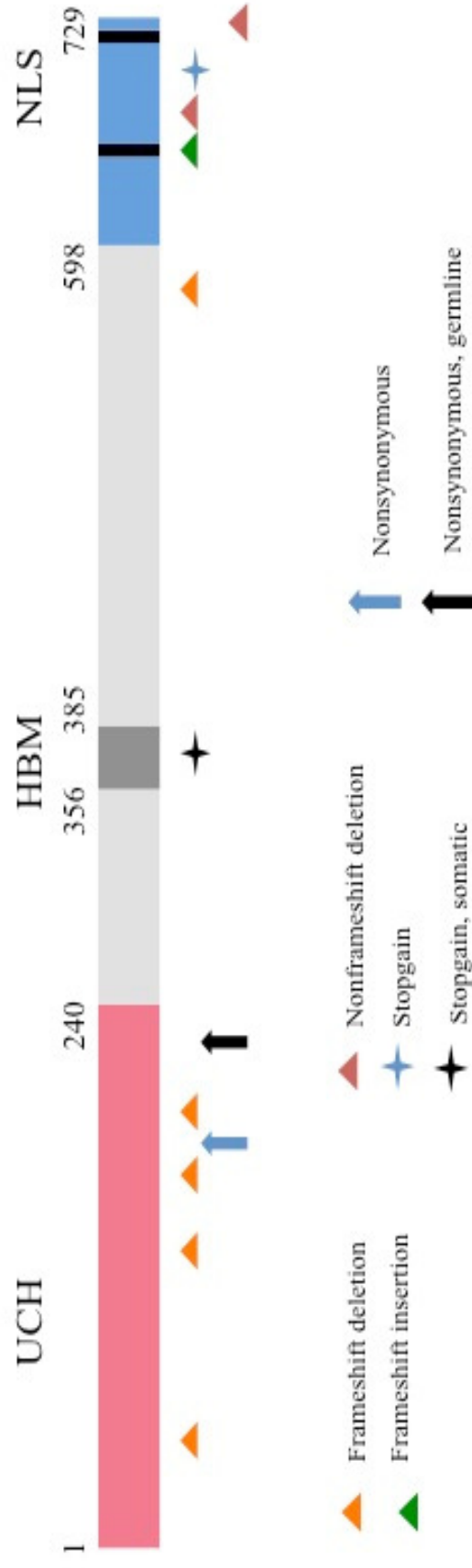


Figure 4.1. Types and relative positions of *BAP1* mutations identified. UCH= ubiquitin carboxy-terminal hydrolase, HBM= HCF1-binding domain, NLS= nuclear localization signal

The baseline clinical characteristics of patients with and without *BAP1* mutations are displayed in Table 4.8. Data on smoking history and asbestos exposure were not available in four and two patients respectively. The relationship between *BAP1* mutation status and clinical characteristics was assessed using Fisher's exact test. We did not identify any significant association between *BAP1* mutation with age ($p=0.438$), gender ($p=1.0$), histological subtype ($p=1.0$), asbestos exposure ($p=1.0$), smoking status ($p=0.17$) and personal and family history of malignancy ($p=1.0$).

Table 4.8. Baseline clinical characteristics of patients with and without *BAP1* mutations

Clinical characteristics	<i>BAP1</i> mutant (N=9)	<i>BAP1</i> wild-type (N=27)
Median age	66	68
Age $\leq$ 70	7 (78%)	16 (59%)
Age $\geq$ 71	2 (22%)	11 (41%)
Male	7 (78%)	21 (78%)
Female	2 (22%)	6 (22%)
Epithelioid	7 (78%)	20 (74%)
Biphasic	2 (22%)	7 (26%)
Asbestos exposure	7 (78%)	19 (70%)
Ever smoked	4 (44%)	19 (70%)
Personal history of cancer	0 (0%)	2 (7%)
Family history of MPM	1 (11%)	1 (4%)
Family history of cancer	3 (33%)	9 (33%)

Survival was defined as time from date of diagnosis to time of death and these data were available for all patients except three with no follow-up data. Overall survival (OS) was

estimated using the Kaplan-Meier method and one patient was censored at the time of the last available follow-up. There was no significant difference in OS associated with *BAP1* mutation status (HR= 0.806, 95%CI 0.35-1.85, p=0.325) (Figure 4.2). The median survival for patients with *BAP1* mutant tumours was 13.8 months (95%CI 5.8-NA) and for those with *BAP1* wild-type tumours was 12.3 months (95%CI 9.3-26.8).

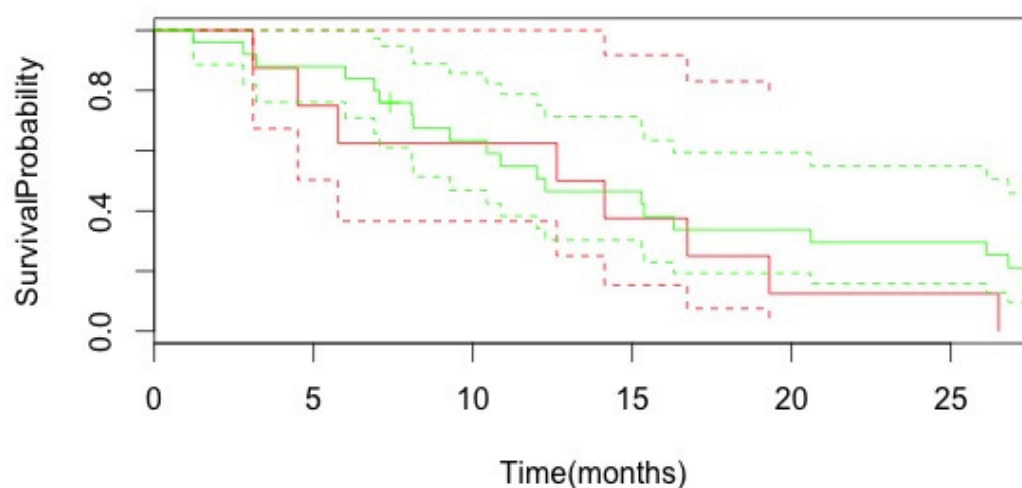


Figure 4.2. Kaplan-Meier survival curves for patients with *BAP1* mutations (red line) and *BAP1* wild-type (green line). The hazard ratio = 0.806 (95% CI 0.35-1.85, p=0.325).

We also observed frequent *NF2* mutations with six variants identified (Table 4.9). *NF2* mutations occurred in 16.7% (6 out of 36 tumours) of all tumour samples. The somatic status was confirmed for two variants, a non-frameshift deletion and a splice site mutation. Two mutations that resulted in protein change p.R221X and p.76_76del were validated with Sanger sequencing. One of the mutations of unknown somatic status that resulted in a stop codon (p.R221X) is a pathogenic single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) (rs74315496) previously reported in a patient with neurofibromatosis 2³⁷⁵. This potentially suggests a common pathway between MPM and neurofibromatosis 2 that may be of interest.

Table 4.9. *NF2* mutations in both discovery and validation cohort. E= epithelioid MPM, B= biphasic MPM.

Samples ID	Mutation types	Protein change	Somatic / Germline	Validation: Sanger sequencing	Subtype
MESOEQ40	nonframeshift deletion	p.76_76del,	somatic	yes	E
MESOEQ13	splicing		somatic	not done	B
MESOD16	frameshift deletion	p.A354fs,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD12	frameshift deletion	p.F35fs,	unknown	not done	B
MESOD30	frameshift insertion	p.P129fs,	unknown	not done	E
MESOD14	stopgain SNV	p.R221X,	unknown	yes	B

XPC mutations occurred in two out of the seven tumours in the discovery set but none in the validation set. *XPC* plays a key role in nucleotide excision repair (NER), in particularly global genome-NER by recognising and eliminating helix distorting lesions. Asbestos generates extracellular high molecular group binding protein 1 (HMGB1) that releases reactive oxygen and nitrogen species leading to DNA damage and strand breaks⁵⁸. Defective *XPC* function results in carcinogenesis as demonstrated in homozygous mutant mice model and thus may play a role in asbestos-induced malignancy such as MPM³⁷⁶. In addition, polymorphisms in *XPC* confer sensitivity to platinum compound which is the main chemotherapy agent in MPM³⁷⁷. However, it has not been possible to test for this association due to insufficient treatment data in our study.

Other genes implicated in cancer that were mutated in both cohorts include *AR*, *FOXK1*, *GATA3*, *GNA11*, *NAB2*, *NOTCH1*, *RNF213*, *SETD2* and *USP6* (Appendix 4.5). *USP6* is implicated in aneurysmal bone cyst tumour that exerts its oncogenic effect through

juxtaposition of its coding sequence with several partner genes. Three non-synonymous mutations in *USP6* were identified and 26 tumours in the validation set harboured two of the variants. Two of the variants are present in ExAC database with allele frequency of around 25% and hence are highly unlikely to be pathognomonic of MPM.

AR regulates androgen-dependent signalling network and this pathway has not been reported to play a role in MPM. *AR* expression assessed by IHC was positive in 65% of peritoneal mesothelioma cases but absent in 100% of pleural MPM^{378,379}. Mutations in *AR* have not been described in MPM and currently there is insufficient evidence to suggest its role in MPM carcinogenesis. The high frequency (61% of all tumours) of mutations observed in our study need to be interpreted with caution as these might represent false-positive findings.

The forkhead transcription factor, *FOXK1*, was mutated in 44% of our MPM cases. This gene resides in chromosome region 7p22.2 that was replicated in two genome-wide association studies identifying genetic predisposition to MPM^{81,82}. Interestingly, *FOXK1* has been shown to interact with *BAP1* that is frequently mutated in MPM³⁸⁰.

Our study observed the presence of *NOTCH1* mutations in 29% of tumours. One of the two variants that resulted in a c. 580A>C was present in nine tumours in the validation set and reported in COSMIC database. Activating *NOTCH1* mutations are implicated in acute lymphoblastic T-cell leukaemia and the highly conserved Notch signalling is deregulated in several cancers including MPM³⁸¹. A study demonstrated *NOTCH1* activation was required for simian virus 40-induced mesothelial cell transformation while its inhibition led to cell growth arrest⁶⁷. In addition, *NOTCH1* activation promoted MPM cell survival via downregulation of *PTEN* and Akt phosphorylation³⁸². The role of *NOTCH1* in MPM carcinogenesis and as a potential actionable target requires further exploration.

RNF213, a specialised type of zinc finger, was mutated in 8.3% of our MPM cases. It has been identified as a translocation partner with *ALK* in anaplastic large cell lymphoma³⁸³. The gene function is not well understood but has probable E3 ubiquitin ligase activity and involvement in angiogenesis³⁸⁴. It is not known if *RNF213* may have any interactions with *BAP1*, a frequently altered gene in MPM with similar function.

GATA3 is the master regulator of luminal epithelial cell differentiation and possibly has a tumour suppressive effect. *GATA3* is mutated in approximately 10% of breast cancer and in 5.5% of MPM from our data³⁸⁵. Interestingly, the study by Hattori et al also assessed the expression of *GATA3* by immunohistochemistry (IHC) and found positivity in only 2.4% of MPM but a different study observed positivity in 58% of epithelioid and sarcomatoid MPM³⁷⁹.

GNAI1, one of the guanine-nucleotide binding proteins involved in transmembrane signalling, is frequently mutated in uveal melanoma and tumours with coexisting *BAP1* loss have higher propensity for metastasis and activation of mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) pathway^{386,387}. Two tumours from our study harboured mutations in *GNAI1* but both had no mutations in *BAP1*. This might suggest the interactions between *GNAI1* and *BAP1* may not apply in MPM. However, whole exome sequencing will not identify other alterations in *BAP1* such as loss in copy number or whole gene deletion.

NAB2 was mutated in 5.5% of MPM in our data and its implication in carcinogenesis is not known but a gene fusion involving the repressor domain of *NAB2* replaced with a carboxy-terminal transactivation domain from *STAT6*, is a molecular hallmark of solitary fibrous tumour³⁸⁸.

SETD2 is a histone H3 lysine 36 methyltransferase and both somatic and germline variants have been described in MPM^{143,365}. Depletion of *SETD2* has been shown in renal cell cancer to result in genome instability through impaired DNA repair, nucleosome reassembly and suppression of replication stress³⁸⁹.

4.3.6 Altered pathways

Integrative network analysis of somatic missense, nonsense and splice site mutations revealed pathway involving focal adhesion as significantly altered (adj. p value=6.61E-16). Fourteen genes from our dataset (*COL2A1*, *COL1A2*, *PIK3CB*, *PARVB*, *LAMA5* 8, *DOCK1* 2, *SHC2*, *KDR*, *BCAR1*, *TNXB*, *FLNB*, *VEGFB*, *ITGA9* 1, *ACTN1*) were implicated in this pathway in a total of 11 tumours (two in discovery and nine in validation cohort). Interestingly 13 of these genes were mutated exclusively in MESOEQ22 that harboured germline mutation in *BAP1*. The interactions between the focal adhesion genes and *BAP1* are displayed in Figure 4.3 created with NetworkAnalyst¹⁹⁸. However, this exclusivity is not obvious in the validation cohort as only *ITGA9* and *LAMA5* were identified in *BAP1* mutated tumours.

Cell cycle pathway was also significantly altered (adj. p= 2.48E-15) involving five genes (*CDC14A*, *CDC25A*, *DBF4*, *PRKDC*, *SKP1*) mutated in only two tumours in the discovery cohort.



Figure 4.3. Network visualization of genes involved in focal adhesion pathway and their interactions with *BAP1*. The network was created with NetworkAnalyst showing protein-protein interactions between the genes identified from WES data (highlighted with an outer yellow ring)..

Eleven genes from our data (*ATF4*, *CACNA1B*, *CACNA1A*, *FLNB*, *HSPA8*, *MAP4K1*, *MAPK13*, *PLAG2G6*, *RPS6KA6*, *STK4*, *RASGRP4*, *SMYD3*) were implicated in MAPK pathway (adj. $p=2.88E-14$). They were present in four tumours from the discovery cohort while four tumours in the validation cohort also harboured mutations in *CACNA1A*, *CACNA1B*, *SMYD3* and *HSPA8*.

In addition, the WNT pathway was also significantly deregulated (adj. $p=1.08E-05$) involving three genes (*FZD2*, *TBL1XR1* and *CHD8*). We also observed mutations in *LRP2* that might be related to WNT pathway. These alterations were observed in two tumours in the discovery

cohort while five tumours in the validation cohort had mutations in *FZD2* and *LRP2*.

Further enrichment analysis identified somatic mutations in 13 genes involved in chromatin modification. Except for *SETD2*, these genes have not been described as being mutated in MPM. Interestingly, these genes were only observed in tumours without *BAP1* mutation (Figure 4.4). Four genes (*JMJD1C*, *SETD2*, *ASH1L* and *SMYD3*) were also mutated in the validation set and exclusively in *BAP1* wild-type tumours except *ASH1L*.

4.4 Discussions

This whole exome sequencing study analysed the somatic mutations of seven MPM tumours and matched blood samples with GATK UnifiedGenotyper algorithm. This has similar sensitivity in identifying high allelic fraction SNVs compared to other popular algorithms such as Mutect³⁹⁰.

Our results detected a total of 1,226 somatic mutations in 1,074 genes in at least one tumour sample from the discovery cohort. We also demonstrated MPM tumours harbour mutational burden (median nonsynonymous mutations per tumour was 69) comparable to other tumour types such as oesophageal squamous cancer, Non-Hodgkin lymphoma, colorectal cancer and head and neck cancer as depicted by Vogelstein et al (Figure 4.5)³⁶⁹. However, the mutational load was lower compared to tumours with known potent mutagens such as cigarette smoking and lung cancer; and ultraviolet light and melanoma. This is somewhat surprising since asbestos is a well-known mutagen and remains the main risk factor for developing MPM³⁷. On the other hand, the mutational analyses in the other tumours reported by Vogelstein et al were done with whole genome sequencing data instead of whole exome. It would be interesting to compare the mutational burden between the exomes and genomes in MPM to see if this accounts for our unexpected finding.

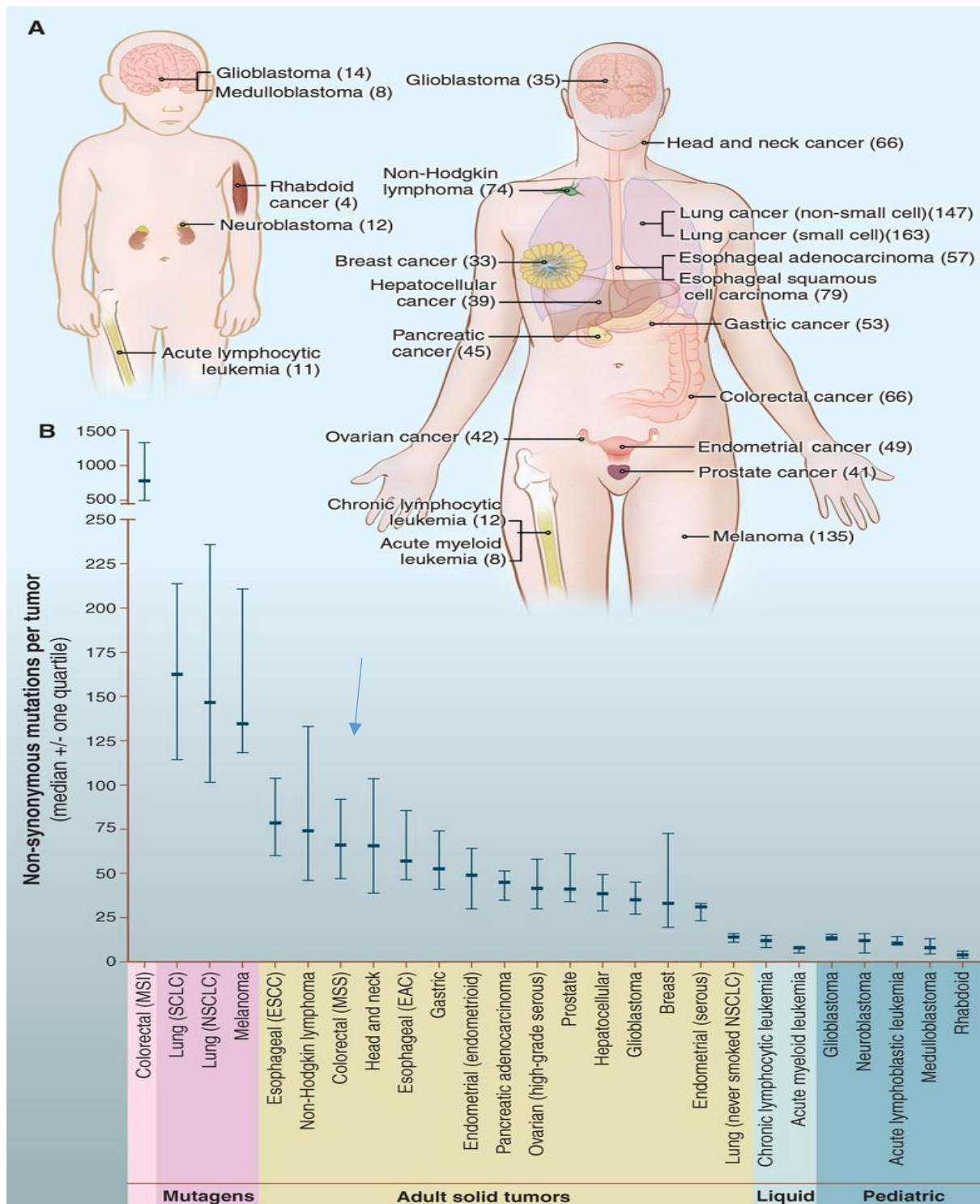


Figure 4.5. Number of somatic mutations in representative human cancers detected by genome-wide sequencing studies (adapted from Vogelstein et al). The estimated position of MPMIs depicted by the blue arrow.

We found *BAP1* and *NF2* are frequently altered in MPM. In addition, we have also identified multiple mutated genes that have not been previously described in MPM that might provide new genetic insights into the carcinogenesis of MPM.

BAP1 is a deubiquitinating enzyme and a tumour suppressor gene implicated in various biologic processes including chromatin dynamics, DNA damage response and regulation of cell cycle and growth. *BAP1* is increasingly recognised as an important gene that is frequently mutated and lost in cancers especially uveal melanoma, clear cell renal carcinoma and MPM. Recently, a pancancer sequencing study identified mutations in *BAP1* as one of the seven genes associated with detrimental survival outcome³⁹¹. We found *BAP1* was mutated in 25% of tumours across both discovery and validation cohorts consistent with previous reports¹⁰⁶. There were two germline and one somatic mutations while the somatic status for the remaining eight variants in the validation cohort was not known. Previous studies identified somatic *BAP1* mutation was associated with age, E-MPM subtype and smoking^{106,149,156}. We did not detect any significant associations of *BAP1* mutation status with the predefined clinical characteristics including survival. This might be due to small sample size that limits the detection of any significant associations. Interestingly, we also identified mutations in *FOXK1*, a *BAP1* interacting partner. *FOXK1* regulates cell cycle progression but has been found to co-precipitate with *BAP1* and together with *HCF-1*, *ASXL1* and/or *ASXL2*, *OGT* and/or *FOXK2* form a *BAP1* complex that might have potential roles in regulating *BAP1* function³⁸⁰.

We also identified six genetic alterations involving *NF2* that encodes for Merlin, the key regulator of Hippo signalling pathway. Around 40-50% of MPM are reported to exhibit homozygous disruption of the *NF2* by mutation and/or deletion resulting in lack of expression of functional Merlin protein¹⁵⁸. Interestingly, we identified and confirmed a novel gene,

INADL, missense mutation in the discovery cohort and a nonframeshift insertion in the validation cohort. *INADL* forms a stable tight junction protein complex with Angiomotin and Pals1 that associate with Merlin in regulating mitogenic signalling³⁹². Thus, deregulated form of *INADL* might imply failure of Merlin to bind properly to the complex and this requires further exploration. The loss of Merlin leads to dysfunctional Hippo pathway and subsequent increased in YAP/PDZ-binding motif activity capable of inducing oncogenic transformation due to the activation of transcription factors including transcription enhancers activation domain (TEAD) family members. This in turn up-regulates the expression of several growth promoting factors, including genes involved in survival and cell cycle such as c-myc and survivin respectively³⁹³. An *in vitro* study demonstrated that loss of Merlin increased the motility and invasiveness of MPM cells through increased phosphorylation of focal adhesion kinase (FAK)¹⁶⁰.

FAK is a non-receptor cytosolic protein tyrosine kinase with a central catalytic domain flanked by large N- and C-terminal domains that indirectly localizes at contact points of cells with extracellular matrix through interactions with integrin-associated proteins³⁹⁴. It has important roles in regulating cell survival, motility, metastasis, invasion and angiogenesis^{395–398}. The importance of FAK signalling and as a potential therapeutic target in MPM was further supported by significant deregulation of focal adhesion pathway from our exome data. In addition, we also identified upregulated genes and associated pathways involving cell morphology, adhesions and migration from our gene expression study (Chapter 3) that are linked to FAK signalling.

A study using *in vitro* and xenograft models demonstrated MPM cells with low Merlin expression had increased sensitivity to FAK inhibitor. Targeting FAK has also been shown to inhibit self-renewal of cancer stem cells (CSC) that are linked to metastases and recurrence³⁴⁰.

This led to the evaluation of FAK inhibitors in MPM in the clinical setting including GSK compound, GSK2256098, in patients with relapsed disease and the result was encouraging with improvement in median progression-free survival (PFS) of 4.5 months compared to historical control of 1.5 months³⁴¹. There was also increased activity seen in a subset of patients with Merlin negative MPM achieving a median PFS of 6 months. However, the Verastem FAK inhibitor defactinib (VS6063) demonstrated no efficacy over placebo in a randomized trial in the first-line maintenance setting for MPM in both the intent-to-treat population and in patients with low Merlin expressing tumours³⁹⁹. It is currently unclear whether this was related to trial design, a drug related-issue or a true finding that FAK may not be a key driver despite the preclinical evidence.

MAPK and WNT are the other two pathways that were also significantly altered in our data that further support the findings by Guo et al¹⁴⁴. MAPK activation is important for cell survival and apoptotic events. Significant protein phosphorylation of the MAPK cascade in MPM has been shown in previous studies¹⁶⁸. Both *in vivo* and *in vitro* studies have also demonstrated activation of extracellular-signal-regulated kinases (ERK) and p38 in MPM cells exposed to asbestos^{59,165}. Our study did not identify any known oncogenes such as *KRAS* and *BRAF* in this pathway but we found somatic mutations in 11 genes encoding the MAPK cascade. Mutations in *CACNA1A*, *CACNA1B*, *HSPA8* and *SMYD3* were also present in the validation cohort. Both *CACNA1A* and *CACNA1B* belong to voltage-gated calcium channel family that regulates the balance between extracellular and intracellular calcium levels that are crucial in regulating many signalling processes including cell cycle, proliferation and migration. Studies have shown calcium influx through the voltage-gated calcium channels can have direct and indirect effect on MAPK signalling⁴⁰⁰. A meta-analysis of microarray datasets revealed overexpression of *CACNA1A* in most cancers and correlated with poor survival in lung and ovarian cancers suggesting possible involvement in the onset and progression of

certain malignancies⁴⁰¹. The role of *CACNA1B* in cancer is less well understood but the same study found it is significantly overexpressed in breast cancer. *HSPA8* belongs to heat shock protein 70 family and knockdown with RNA interference in tumour cells revealed anti-proliferative property⁴⁰². *SMYD3*, a histone methyltransferase, plays a key role in regulating oncogenic Ras signalling through methylation of *MAP3K2* at lysine 260 and is a potential drug target⁴⁰³.

The importance of MAPK signalling in MPM is further supported by the findings from our gene expression profiling study of 25 MPM tumours (Chapter 3). Several genes involved in MAPK pathway including *EGFR*, *MET*, *PAK4*, *RAC3*, *LAMA5*, *LAMC2*, *ITGA3* and *ITGB4* were significantly over-expressed in MPM. Figure 4.6 displays the interactions of the mutated and over-expressed genes with other components in the MAPK pathway.



Figure 4.6. MAPK signalling pathway. The network was created with NetworkAnalyst showing protein-protein interactions between the genes identified from WES and gene expression data (highlighted with an outer yellow ring) with components encoding MAPK pathway

The highly conserved WNT family of secreted proteins and downstream effectors are crucial for cell-cell communication events including cell fate determination, migration, polarity, neural patterning, and organogenesis during embryonic development and maintenance of stem cells. Thus perturbations in WNT signalling are important for cancer initiation and progression including cell survival, proliferation, invasion and metastases. These are frequently observed in cancers including MPM and studies have demonstrated accumulation of *CTNNB1* protein level, deregulated expression of several WNT ligands, frizzled receptors

(receptor for WNT proteins), *APC* and *AXIN2* in MPM^{173,404}. Targeting components of WNT pathway such as siRNA knockdown of dishevelled proteins downstream of WNT have resulted in suppression of MPM cell growth⁴⁰⁵. We identified somatic mutations in *FZD2*, *TBL1XR1*, *CDH8*, *LRP2* and *AIDA* that are implicated in WNT pathway. *AIDA*, *FZD2* and *LRP2* mutations were also present in the validation cohort. *AIDA* has a potential tumour suppressor role identified to block Axin-mediated JNK activation by disrupting Axin homodimerization and subsequent inactivation of non-canonical WNT pathway⁴⁰⁶. *FZD2* has been shown to be overexpressed in late stage mesenchymal-type cancer cell lines and tumours⁴⁰⁷. Both *in vivo* and *in vitro* studies have identified a novel non-canonical WNT pathway driven by *FZD2* that drives the epithelial-mesenchymal transition process and is associated with metastasis and poor survival outcome. Targeting *FZD2* in xenograft model has shown promising inhibition of tumour growth and metastasis making it a potential therapeutic target in MPM. *LRP2* is a member of the lipoprotein-related protein (LRP) family but only *LRP5* and *LRP6* are LRP-family WNT-associated receptors. *LRP2* encodes megalin that is involved in intracellular transporter of sonic hedgehog (SHH)⁴⁰⁸. Deregulation in hedgehog signalling is implicated in various cancers and plays a key role in proliferation and differentiation. Studies have also demonstrated an interaction between SHH and WNT signalling in tumours to coordinate and regulate cell cycle progression⁴⁰⁹. This suggests *LRP2* may have an indirect role in WNT signalling.

Deregulated expression of genes involved in WNT signalling was one of the main findings from our gene expression study in MPM (Chapter 3). Our findings revealed significant over-expression of WNT ligands *WNT2B*, *WNT3*, *WNT9A* and transforming growth factor β member, *BMP4* in MPM compared to non-malignant pleural. A visual representation of the interactions between the mutated and over-expressed genes involved in WNT signalling is shown in Figure 4.7. Taking all together, our data supports previous findings that WNT

signalling is active in MPM and may offer new avenues for intervention and development of therapeutic targets.

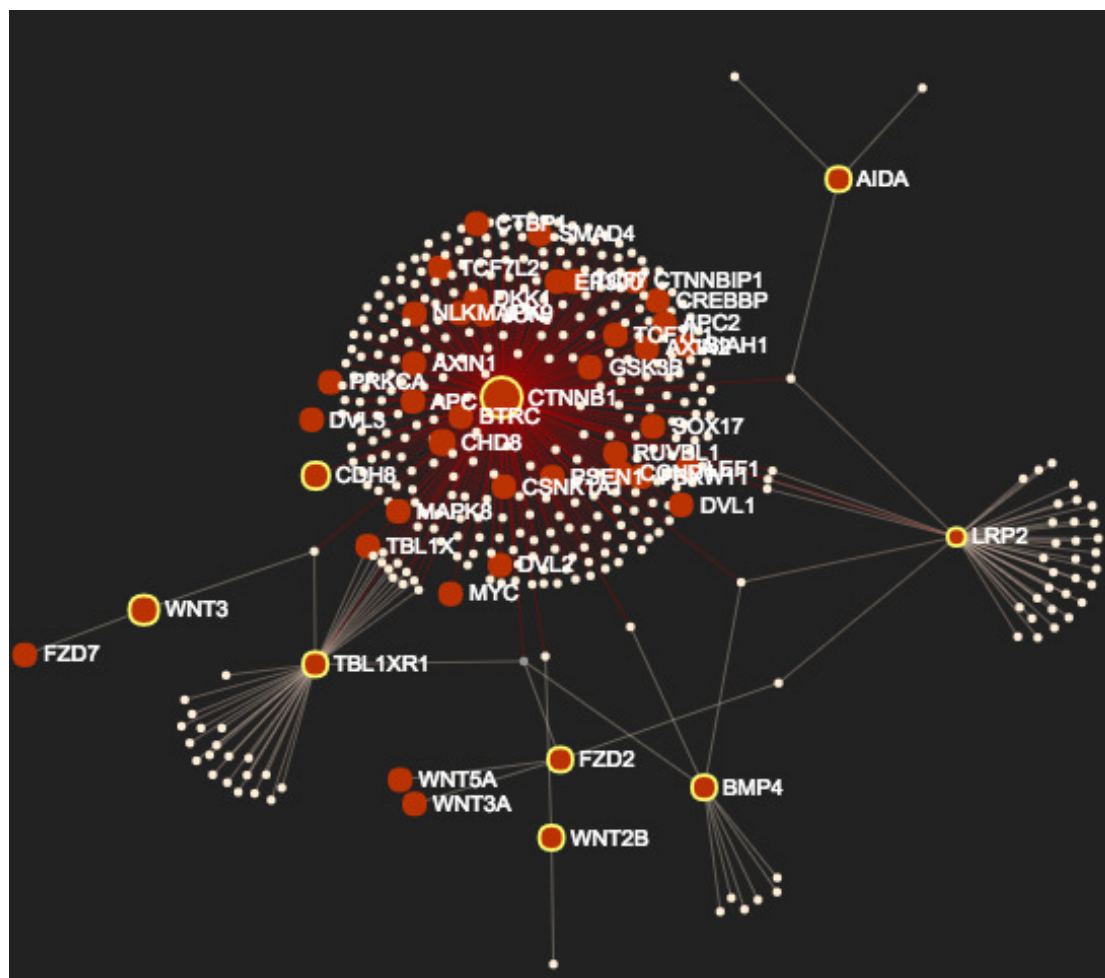


Figure 4.7. WNT signalling pathway. The network was created with NetworkAnalyst showing protein-protein interactions between the genes identified from WES and gene expression data (highlighted with an outer yellow ring) with components encoding WNT pathway.

Chromatin is important in regulating gene transcription and maintaining genome stability. Recent next generation sequencing studies in cancer have revealed molecular alterations in genes encoding chromatin regulatory factors and enzymes that result in disruption of chromatin remodelling.

Our study identified somatic mutations in 13 genes participating in chromatin regulation that could be associated with MPM carcinogenic events through alterations in gene transcriptions. Five of these genes (*SETD1B*, *SETD2*, *SETD6*, *SMYD3*, *WHSC1L1* and *ASH1L*) encode histone lysine methyltransferase enzymes and were mutated in a total of 7 out of 36 tumours. Histone lysine methyltransferases play a key role in regulating chromatin processes including transcription and DNA repair⁴¹⁰. Lysine methylation occurs mainly within the tails of histone H3 and H4 resulting in transcriptional activity or repression depending on the target residues⁴¹¹. Its deregulation has emerged as a common factor in cancer pathogenesis.

SETD2 is located close to 3p21 locus that also encodes *BAP1* and this region is frequently lost in several tumour types including MPM⁹⁹. Thus a combination of loss of copy number in this region and *SETD2* mutation might potentially lead to its loss of function. Depletion of *SETD2* has been shown in renal cell cancer resulting in genome instability through impaired DNA repair, nucleosome reassembly and suppression of replication stress³⁸⁹. *SETD6* mediates monomethylation of the p65 subunit of Nuclear Factor Kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells (NF-κB) resulting in inhibition of NF-κB mediated inflammatory responses⁴¹². NF-κB is critical in the pathogenesis of MPM and the pathway is activated via asbestos-induced release of HMGB1 and TNF-α⁵⁷. Thus dysfunctional *SETD6* might represent another mechanism for the activation of NF-κB pathway in MPM. The oncogenic role of *SMYD3* has been reported in several cancers and is implicated in MAPK signalling as described above⁴¹³. *In vitro* study demonstrated the activity of *SMYD3* could be reduced with BCI-121, a small molecule inhibitor, resulting in cell growth inhibition⁴¹⁴. This may be of therapeutic importance especially in a small subset of MPM tumours harbouring *SMYD3* mutations. Overexpression of *WHSC1L1* has been demonstrated in several cancer types and contributes to carcinogenesis by affecting the expression of cell cycle genes that promotes mitosis⁴¹⁵. Its expression is low in normal tissues thus could be a potential therapeutic target

in various cancer types including MPM. The oncogenic role of *ASH1L* is not well understood but has been shown to be able to suppress *IL-6* production by facilitating the ubiquitin-enzyme A20 through histone modification at *Tnfaip3* promoter⁴¹⁶. *IL-6* is a key mediator in MPM cell proliferation and confers resistant to chemotherapy thus deregulated *ASH1L* may have a role in MPM carcinogenesis.

The importance of epigenetic alterations in MPM from our study was supported by previous studies that showed differential methylation profile in MPM compared to normal pleural and may be prognostic^{109,113}. In addition, asbestos contributes to MPM carcinogenesis by altering the epigenome through hypermethylation of several cell cycle genes¹¹⁴. These have led to the use of histone deacetylase inhibitors (HDACi) and methyltransferase inhibitors (DNMTi) in patients with MPM including vorinostat that was trialled in the largest phase III clinical trial in MPM¹¹⁷. However this did not translate into an overall survival benefit and it may be a combination of both HDACi and DNMTi that may provide therapeutic benefits as demonstrated by an *in vivo* study⁴¹⁷.

Comparing our study to the recent sequencing studies by Guo *et al* and Lo *et al*, one of the main differences is that the tumour tissues in both reported studies were obtained from patients who had been treated with chemotherapy (40% in Guo *et al* and 100% in Lo *et al*)^{144,146}. Thus the chemotherapy effect on the genome may have contributed to the mutations detected and may not truly reflect the mutational landscape of MPM. On the contrary, the main limitations of our study include smaller sample size of tumour/normal pairs and lower tumour cellularity. These may limit the power to detect SNV that may be pathogenic but occurring at a very low frequency. The International Cancer Genome Consortium has set out guidelines in collecting high quality tumour samples for next generation sequencing studies and one of the recommendations is a minimum of 80% tumour cellularity³⁶⁶. However, less stringent criteria may apply to certain tumour types whereby obtaining adequate tissues may

be challenging such as MPM due to its lower incidence compared to other solid cancers. In terms of data analysis, we utilised UnifiedGenotyper for variant calling and currently there is no gold standard algorithm or tool. This tool is comparable to the recently introduced Mutect but lacks sensitivity in detecting allele sites with low fraction. Another potential limitation of our study is using Sanger sequencing as the method of choice to validate variants. Sanger sequencing is considered the gold standard for mutation detection and is highly sensitive for the detection of point mutations, splice site mutations, and small insertions and deletions. However, one of its drawbacks is having a lower sensitivity in detecting variants with an allele frequency of less than 20%. Despite the identification of candidate variants and genes in our study, the lack of matched normal in the validation cohort meant the somatic status of some of these variants could not be verified.

In conclusion, the findings of our study are in keeping with published reports including absence of known oncogenes, frequent mutations in *BAP1*, *NF2* and alterations in MAPK and WNT pathways. However, we identified several genes encoding these two pathways that have not been previously reported in MPM and may potentially be targetable. Other findings that contribute further insights into MPM carcinogenesis include significantly altered focal adhesion signalling pathway that is clinically relevant given the positive results from clinical trials with FAK inhibitor in patients with MPM. In addition, we identified genes other than *BAP1* that are involved in chromatin remodelling indicating the potential roles of epigenetic events in MPM carcinogenesis.

Chapter 5 - Summary and future work

5.1 General conclusions

The genetic landscape of malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM) is still far from being fully characterised but increasing research efforts have been invested to provide better understanding and insights into this complex disease. To date, the recurrent findings from published works have been dominated mainly by the following:

1. Chromosomal alterations including deletions (1p, 3p, 4q, 6q, 9p, 13q, 14q, and 22q) and gains (1q, 5p, 7p, 8q, and 17q) of specific chromosomal regions³⁶⁴.
2. Frequent molecular aberrations involving *CDKN2A*, *NF2* and *BAP1*^{106,157,163}.

This thesis work aimed to identify molecular alterations in MPM by studying the expression and mutational profiles. In Chapter 3, we studied the gene expression profile of 25 MPM tumours and 5 non-malignant pleural. We identified 643 differentially expressed genes with a Benjamin Hochberg corrected p-value of ≤ 0.01 and absolute fold change in the level of expression of ≥ 2 . Next, we constructed MPM-associated co-expression network and identify modules of highly connected genes with weighted gene co-expression network analysis (WGCNA) tool²⁰³. The major findings from this chapter were:

1. Significant deregulated expression of genes involved in cell migration, invasion, cell cycle and the immune system that contribute to the malignant phenotype of MPM.
2. Focal adhesion kinase (FAK) signalling appears to be a common denominator in many of the upregulated genes and pathways identified.

3. Genes involved in WNT and transforming growth factor beta (TGF- β) signalling pathways that are linked with epithelial mesenchymal transition (EMT) process are associated with molecular subtype classification.
4. Genes involved in cell cycle process are associated with poor survival prognosis.

In Chapter 4, the exomes of seven tumour-normal pairs were successfully sequenced and revealed 1, 226 somatic mutations distributed in 1,074 genes. In addition, the exome data from 29 tumours were available. The major findings from this study were:

1. Absence of mutations in known oncogenes
2. Frequent mutations in *BAP1* and *NF2* consistent with published data.
3. Significant alterations in FAK, mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPK) and WNT signalling pathways of which many of the genes encoding these pathways are novel in MPM.
4. Mutations in genes involved in chromatin remodelling other than *BAP1* modulating epigenetic events that may contribute to disturbance in global gene expression in MPM.
5. Low frequency of recurrent mutational events might suggest heterogeneity in mutation profile between tumours.
6. Identification of potential targetable mutations and pathways that might have therapeutic importance for patients with MPM.

This research has not only confirmed findings from previous works but also provided new information about the molecular landscape of MPM. From our study, the molecular alterations in MPM may be better defined by activation of common signalling pathways instead of a defined set of genes or mutations. These are evident from the identification of significant alterations in FAK and WNT signalling pathways at both deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and ribonucleic acid (RNA) levels. Aberrant activation of FAK promotes cancer through complex signalling networks involving cell survival, proliferation, migration, invasion, EMT, angiogenesis and cancer stem cell activities. Our findings highlighted the importance of this pathway in MPM carcinogenesis and in fact targeting FAK *in vitro* and in tumour xenograft models demonstrated good cytotoxicity effect especially in MPM tumours with low expression of merlin⁴¹⁸. In addition to FAK, we also identified significant alteration in WNT pathway with mutations and deregulated expression of novel components. This pathway regulates various processes involved in cancer progression, including tumour initiation, tumour growth, cell senescence, cell death, differentiation and metastasis. Targeting this pathway has been challenging mainly due to lack of specific targets, potential redundancy of pathway components and cross talks with other oncogenic pathways. Interestingly, recent studies have shown that FAK and WNT pathways are interconnected to promote tumorigenesis. This was demonstrated in an *APC* deleted model of colorectal cancer whereby the FAK/PYK2 axis is required for the activation of the WNT pathway and in breast cancer, the inhibition of FAK *in vivo* and *in vitro* led to decreased self-renewal capacity and reduced levels of *WNT3A* and *CTNNB1*^{419,420}. Thus, our findings support the relevance of these two pathways that may have a dynamic and complex interactions in promoting MPM carcinogenesis that require further research.

In light of the exciting era of cancer immunotherapy, it is worth noting the identification of significantly altered expression of genes associated with the immune system from our study.

The discovery of immune checkpoint receptors such as cytotoxic T lymphocyte antigen-4 (CTLA-4) and programmed death-1 (PD-1) responsible for inactivating the immune system in cancers have gained immense interest. Blocking immune checkpoints have shown significant improvement in clinical outcomes in several cancer types including melanoma and non-small cell lung cancer^{421,422}. In MPM, preclinical data and clinical studies with anti-CTLA4 and anti-PD-1 antibodies have already shown promising results^{346–348}. Studies have also examined the expression of PD-L1 (ligand of PD-1) by immunohistochemistry in MPM and found overexpression of PD-L1 in tumours ranging between 20-90% especially in sarcomatoid subtype and is associated with poorer survival^{423,424}. We identified downregulation of 78 genes involved in immune functions including T cell, B cell activation, cell adhesion and cytokine-cytokine receptor interactions. Interestingly, *CD28* is one of the underexpressed genes and CTLA-4 induces T-cell inactivation by competing with *CD28* for B7 ligands *CD80* and *CD86* expressed on antigen presenting cells. Taking all these together, defective antitumor immunity is evident in MPM and further research is needed to improve our understanding in the role of the immune system in MPM carcinogenesis that may unravel new therapeutic targets.

Genomic intra- and intertumoral heterogeneity are recognised features in cancers. Previous transcriptomic study in MPM revealed distinctive genomic profiles in growth factors involved in differentiation, metabolism, and regulation of apoptosis that determined MPM differentiation⁴²⁵. Our study also revealed differences in gene expression between subtypes and heterogeneous mutational profiles between each tumour. However, the full molecular profile may be under-represented due to single sampling from each tumour being studied. Through multiregional sequencing of a tumour, other studies have revealed tumours evolve through different branches with subclones that harbour distinct genomic profiles that can lead to tumour recurrence, metastasis and present challenges to precision medicine^{426,427}. This approach has not been explored in MPM and could potentially reveal a more comprehensive

genomic profile and identify dominant signalling pathways and biological processes with actionable mutated genes.

The advent of next generation sequencing methods (NGS) including targeted, whole genome or whole transcriptome sequencing coupled with bioinformatics-based data analysis offer unparalleled high-throughput approach in studying cancer genomics. We utilised microarray-based and whole exome sequencing approaches to examine the gene expression and mutational profiles in MPM respectively. These may have their limitations in comparison to other methods.

Microarray-based technology allows a comprehensive simultaneous characterisation of the expression of thousands of genes in a given cell at a given time point. On the other hand, RNA sequencing allows a more comprehensive characterisation of tumour transcriptome and correlation with structural and copy number alterations, insertions, deletions and single nucleotide mutations. In comparison to microarray-based approach, RNA sequencing allows rapid and higher sensitivity in the detection of not only known but also discovering novel transcripts, global transcriptomic alterations with absolute instead of relative value and post-transcriptional changes on a larger scale⁴²⁸. The data can also be mined to detect alternative splice variants, fusion transcripts and microRNAs as demonstrated in different cancer types^{429–431}. Despite the unprecedented offers of RNA sequencing, microarray-based approach is still commonly preferred mainly due to its lower cost and is a less complex dataset to analyse. RNA sequencing is fairly new in MPM and to date there is only one published study on transcriptome sequencing involving four MPM tumours¹⁸². This study revealed a different mutational profile in each tumour and found novel mutations in thousands of expressed genes of which *XRCC6*, *PDZK1IP1*, *ACTR1A*, and *AVEN* could be associated with MPM carcinogenesis.

One of the limitations of exome sequencing is that it covers only the protein-coding regions (1% of the genome). Whole genome sequencing provides an unbiased interrogation of both the coding and non-coding regions of the genome. Although little is known about the pathogenic significance of the non-coding regions, emerging evidence have revealed their roles in diseases including cancer such as a single nucleotide polymorphism in the 5' untranslated region of *RAD51* as a modifier of breast cancer risk in *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* mutation carriers⁴³². In addition, whole genome allows detection of larger genomic alterations including structural variants, loss of heterozygosity and copy number that may be difficult to detect with exome data. This was demonstrated in a study that sequenced both the genome and exome of myeloma specimens and found half of the protein-coding mutations occurred in chromosomal translocations that were missed by exome sequencing⁴³³. Recently, the whole genome of 10 MPM tumours were sequenced and identified novel mutations in genes associated with integrin-linked kinase pathway and clinical correlation revealed molecular differences between gender and histology subtypes involving *BAP1*, *TP53*, *MYH9* and *RHOA* that may be involved in MPM carcinogenesis⁴³⁴. However, no significant mutations in non-protein coding regions or large structural variants such as translocations were reported.

Aside from NGS methods, DNA methylation and proteomic profiling are two other approaches that can reveal important epigenetic and functional events respectively driving the disease process. As such, a combined methodological approach comprising mutational, transcriptomic, methylation and proteomics data may eventually reveal the full molecular landscape of MPM. Recently, Bueno *et al* published a comprehensive genomic analysis of 216 MPM tumours (the largest sample size to date) with RNA, whole exome and targeted exome sequencing⁴³⁵. Using RNA sequencing data, they identified four molecular subtypes (sarcomatoid, epithelioid, biphasic-epithelioid and biphasic-sarcomatoid) of MPM. As sarcomatoid MPM was not represented in our samples, we were able to stratify the tumours

into three molecular subtypes (biphasic in CL1, epithelioid in CL3 and biphasic-epithelioid in CL2 as described in Chapter 3) with WGCNA of our gene expression data. The study also identified 10 significantly mutated genes and pathway alterations in Hippo, mammalian target of rapamycin, histone methylation, RNA helicase and p53 signalling. Of these, mutations in *NF2*, *BAP1* and *SETD2* together with aberrations in chromatin remodelling were also identified in our exome findings (Chapter 4).

Nevertheless, unravelling the full molecular alterations in MPM remains a challenging research task and collaborative efforts are paramount to ensure this goal is achieved. Both the International Cancer Genome Consortium and The Cancer Genome Atlas are compiling omics data from all types of cancers including mesothelioma in order to improve our understanding of the molecular mechanisms driving cancer. As part of our continuous research effort in MPM, the section below describes our ongoing work and future directions in this project.

5.2 Ongoing and future work

As mentioned, one of the main limitations from our study was the small sample size that makes it difficult to allow identification of recurrent events occurring at low frequency or assessing significant correlation with clinical features. Hence, we aimed to obtain more samples to allow detection of significant mutations. In addition, sarcomatoid subtype was not represented in our study to allow expression or mutational characterisation. Therefore, in addition to the sequenced 7 matched tumour-normal pairs from our study, our group had extracted genomic DNA from a further 14 paired tumour tissues acquired from the Mesobank tissue repository and the exomes have been successfully sequenced. Both datasets will be merged in due course and reanalysed to define significantly mutated genes with the recently introduced MutSigCV algorithm⁴³⁶. This approach will remove a high number of artefactual

findings and allow identification of genes relevant to MPM. Along with this, copy number alterations that are indicative of chromosomal instability will also be analysed. There will also be plans to perform whole transcriptome shotgun sequencing contingent on the availability of adequate tumour samples. This will not only allow further evaluation of gene expression and single nucleotide variants (SNV) discovery but also post-transcriptional SNV and fusion gene detections.

Candidate variants will then be confirmed with Sanger sequencing. The frequency of candidate variants will be determined in an independent set of tumours with targeted capture sequencing that enables robust detection of clinically informative genes from formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tumour DNA⁴³⁷. FFPE tissues remain the standard material for analysis in the clinical settings. The preservation of tissue morphology in FFPE enables the isolation and analysis of relatively enriched tumour material space. Furthermore, the ease and low cost involved in storage is an advantage compared to frozen tissues. The protein expression of candidate variants will also be examined by either immunohistochemistry or fluorescence *in situ* hybridisations methods.

In preparation for this, we have acquired 307 MPM FFPE blocks as the follow up cohort. These were identified from the Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Trust (RBHT) Diagnostic Tissue Bank and St George's Hospital (SGH) under an ethically approved study, Molecular Epidemiology of Malignant Mesothelioma (MEMO) (see Chapter 2). These were sectioned, stained with routine haematoxylin and eosin, and reviewed by two certified pathologists to verify tumour histology and abundance as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.2.2 and 2.2.2.3. FFPE sections were prepared on a total of 122 and 185 tumour FFPE tissues from RBHT and SGH respectively with 30% or more viable-appearing malignant cells. Genomic DNA had been successfully isolated as described in Chapter 2 section 2.2.5.3. Tumour tissue

microarrays will be prepared from the FFPE blocks to examine the protein expression of candidate variants.

The baseline clinical characteristics of the follow up cases were summarised in Table 5.1. Majority of the cases were of male gender and epithelioid MPM was the predominant subtype.

Table 5.1. Cases demographic and clinical characteristics.

Characteristics	Follow up cohort n= 307
Age, years	
Median	71
Range	45-91
≤ 70	153 (49.8%)
> 70	154 (50.2%)
Sex	
Male	242 (78.8%)
Female	65 (21.2%)
Histological subtypes	
Epithelioid MPM	214 (69.7)
Biphasic MPM	60 (19.5)
Sarcomatoid MPM	33 (10.7)

Survival data was also available for 302 cases and patients who were alive at last follow up were censored. A total of 287 events were observed. The median overall survival (OS) for all cases was 10.2 months (95% CI 8.3- 12.1) (Figure 5.1). Univariate survival analysis by histological subtypes (Figure 5.2) showed OS was significantly longer in epithelioid MPM (median OS 13.1 months, 95% CI 11.3- 15.0) than biphasic MPM (median OS 7.2 months, 95% CI 4.6-9.8) and sarcomatoid MPM (median OS 5.1 months, 95% CI 3.3-6.9) after a

median follow-up time of 12.9 months, 5.9 months and 5.1 months respectively (Figure 5.2). The hazard ratio was 1.73 (95% CI 1.3-2.3) for biphasic MPM and 2.99 (95% CI 2.0-4.4) for sarcomatoid MPM. Multivariate survival analyses showed age and gender was not significant in the final model.

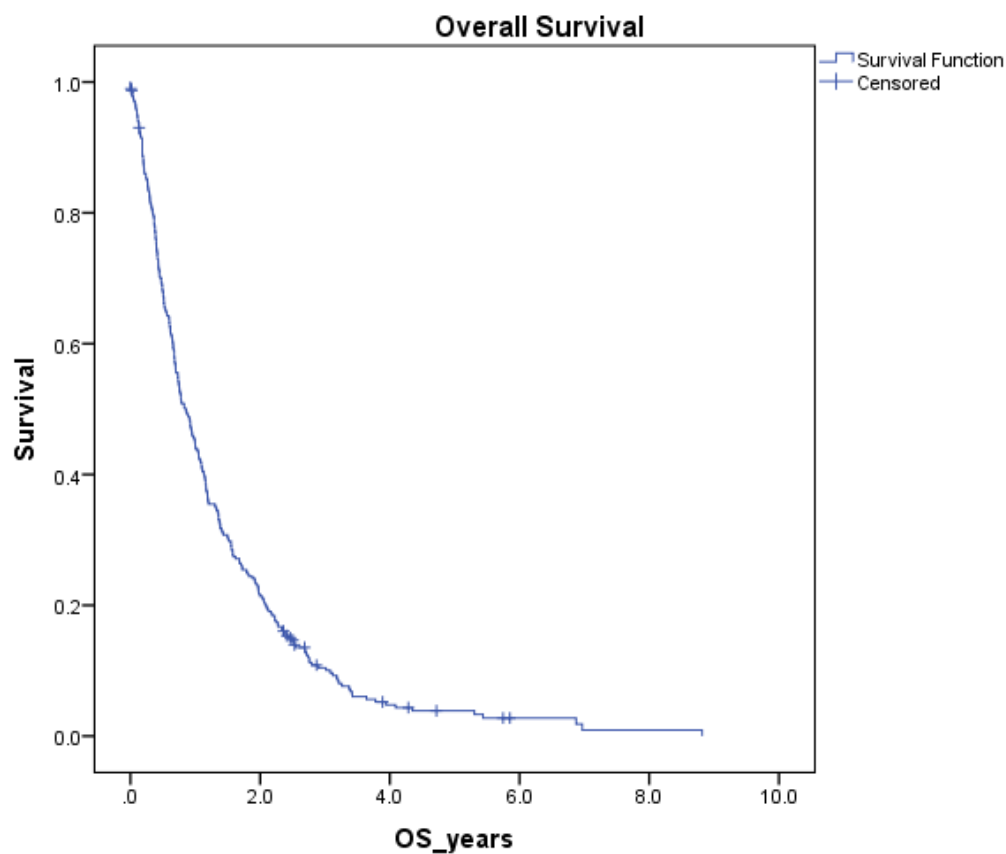


Figure 5.1. Kaplan-Meier curve for OS in all 302 cases.

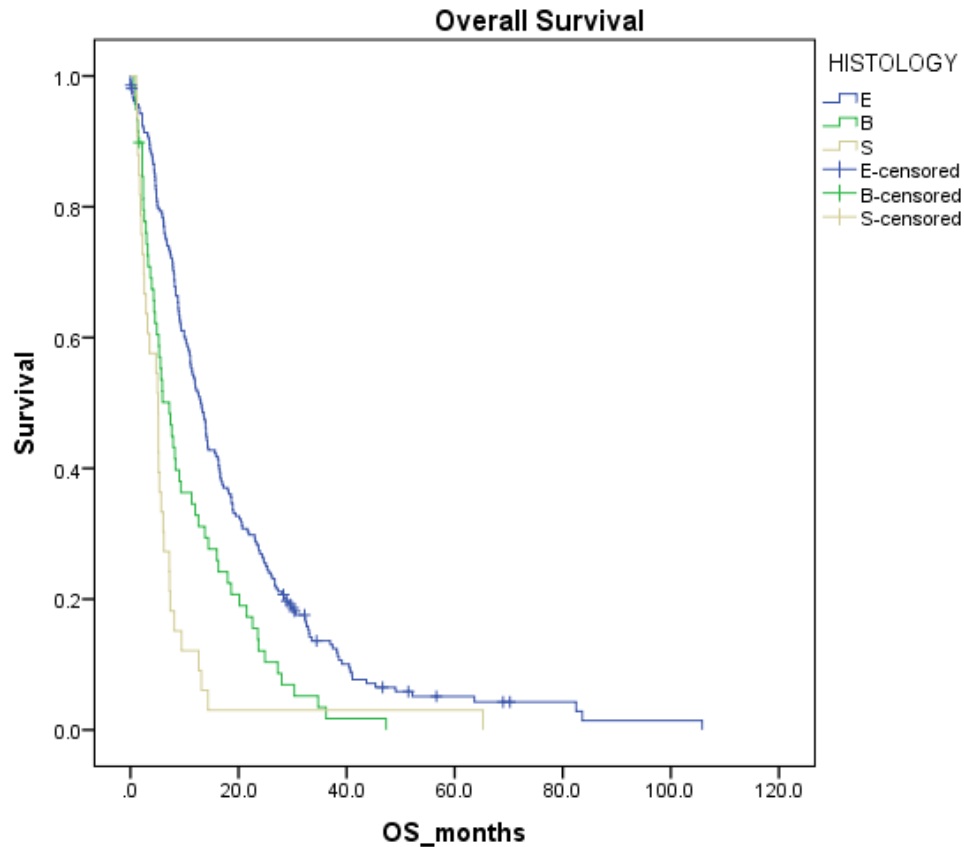


Figure 5.2. Kaplan Meier curves for OS by histological subtypes. Log rank p value < 0.0001. E= epithelioid, B= biphasic, S= sarcomatoid.

The data generated will be analysed for the following:

1. Identification of targetable variants and signalling pathways for subsequent functional assays.
2. Correlation with clinical data to allow patient stratification and identification of diagnostic and prognostic biomarkers.

Lastly, we hope the knowledge generated by this research project will have great potential in providing further insights into the molecular mechanisms involved in MPM carcinogenesis.

Future directions of our work are not limited to those described above and we hope this project will serve as a platform for further collaborative work with other investigators in an effort to improve the clinical outcomes of patients with this deadly disease.

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Appendices

Appendix 2.1 - MEMO CCR4020 Protocol

Molecular Epidemiology of Malignant MesOthelioma: MEMO

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This protocol describes the “MEMO” study and provides information about study design and management. Every care was taken in its drafting, but corrections or amendments may be necessary. These will be circulated to investigators in the study. Problems relating to this study should be referred, in the first instance, to the Chief Investigator.

This study will adhere to the principles outlined in the NHS Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care. It will be conducted in compliance with the protocol, the Data Protection Act, the principles of Good Clinical Practice (GCP), and other regulatory requirements as appropriate.

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List of Abbreviations

BAP 1	BRCA1 associated protein 1
CTGF	Connective tissue growth factor
EGFR	Epidermal growth factor receptor
FAK	Focal adhesion kinase
FFPE	Formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded
HDAC	Histone deacetylase
ICL	Imperial College London
IGFR	Insulin-like growth factor receptor
IHC	Immunohistochemistry
IP	Intellectual property
MM	Malignant mesothelioma
MTA	Material transfer agreement
mTORC1	mammalian target of rapamycin complex 1
NCRI	National Cancer Research Institute
PI3K	Phosphoinositide 3-kinase
RBH	Royal Brompton Hospital
RMH	Royal Marsden Hospital
SGH	St George's Hospital
TGF-B	Tissue growth factor beta
TMA	Tissue microarray
TS	Thymidylate synthase
Yap 1	Yes-associated protein 1

Study Synopsis

Title	MEMO
Short Title	Molecular Epidemiology of Malignant Mesothelioma
Study Design	A retrospective study investigating the molecular epidemiology of patients with malignant mesothelioma
Study Objectives	1. An exploratory retrospective study to document molecular abnormalities in tumour biopsies of patients with malignant mesothelioma seen at the Royal Marsden Hospital or St George's Hospital and their associations with clinical outcomes 2. To act as a validation dataset for molecular aberrations identified from whole genome analysis of mesothelioma
Inclusion Criteria	1. Patients with a confirmed pathological diagnosis of malignant mesothelioma (any primary site) and availability of archival tissues 2. Patients seen at the Royal Marsden Hospital or St George's Hospital between 2000 to 2009 3. Age ≥ 18 years;
Exclusion Criteria	1. Patients for whom a tissue diagnosis of confirmed mesothelioma has not been made

1. Background and Rationale

1.1 General background

Outcomes from malignant mesothelioma (MM) are generally poor, with few long-term survivors and a 5-year survival of around 5%. Whilst this is in part due to presentation of patients with advanced/locally advanced disease, other significant factors include lack of effective therapies, and a poor understanding of the biology of these tumours, especially in the UK.

This lack of research into thoracic tumours when compared to other tumour types was highlighted in an National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) framework review (1). This identified a need for research into thoracic tumours including MM

Our study into the underlying biological processes of MM aims to address these deficiencies, with a view to exploring molecular aberrations in patients with mesothelioma, and to generate a validation dataset for which findings of ongoing whole genome/transcriptome analyses at Imperial College London (ICL) can be validated.

1.2 Malignant Mesothelioma

MM is an uncommon but almost universally fatal malignant cancer of mesothelial cells, principally affecting the pleura and peritoneum. Exposure to asbestos is the primary causative environmental carcinogen, and a long latency is observed, with a median of 50 years (2). Although the disease is traditionally considered rare, due to this long latency incidence has

been rising rapidly, and has risen 12-fold from 1968-2001 in the UK. Deaths from MM have risen rapidly from 153 in 1968 to 1,848 in 2001, and the disease currently accounts for approximately 2,000 new cases in the UK per year, (3). However, incidence continues to rise rapidly, and epidemiological modelling predicts a peak between 2011-15.

Prognosis from MM is usually poor and early diagnosis is unusual. Even in those fit for chemotherapy, median survival is approximately 1 year in unselected cases (4). Despite this, a number of active chemotherapy regimens have shown efficacy in improving survival (5;6), and importantly, in palliating symptoms (7-9). Moreover, radical and debulking surgery or multimodality therapy (10), has potential to play a role in improving survival and palliation (10;11), in selected patients.

Given the poor understanding of carcinogenic pathways involved in MM development, there is a need to validate and identify new targets for therapy. In the case of systemic therapy, platinum-based pemetrexed doublet therapy has become an international standard (4), but despite this, clinical and radiological responses are only seen in the minority of cases. Discovery of markers with prognostic and predictive utility are therefore urgently required to better target the limited therapies available, and a number of such biomarkers have been proposed.

2.0 Biomarkers and Molecular Epidemiology

Whilst MM is an increasingly common disease in many countries, the molecular epidemiology and biomarkers of outcome have been poorly investigated. However, the limited studies of MM biology have demonstrated a number of cytogenetic abnormalities, including losses at chromosome 1p, 3p, 9p, and 6q, 13q, and 15q. Loss of an entire copy of chromosome 4 or 22 is also often observed. Recurrent areas of deletion include chromosome 9p21 (which includes the loci *CDKN2A/ARF* and *CDKN2B*) and 22q12 (including *NF2*), with functional studies showing that re-introduction of the encoded protein at these loci results in a regression of the malignant phenotype (12;13). Moreover a heterozygous (+/-) *NF2* knockout mouse demonstrates an accelerated rate of MM development when exposed to asbestos (14). Studies have also suggested that *NF2* somatic mutations are common and activate integrin-dependent mammalian target of rapamycin complex 1 (mTORC1) signalling (15;16). *NF2* encodes a membrane-cytoskeleton-associated protein, merlin that regulates cell growth via the Hippo signalling pathway to inhibit the transcriptional and oncogenic function of yes-associated protein 1 (Yap 1) (17;18). Everolimus, an mTOR inhibitor, is currently being trialled in MM patients and loss of *NF2* is being investigated as a potential biomarker to predict drug sensitivity. mTOR inhibition results in compensatory activation of other signalling pathways such as MET, insulin growth factor receptor (IGFR) and epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) with activation of downstream AKT pathways, and so it is likely that combination therapy will be required. Recent data also suggest a role for *NF2* loss and functional interaction between Hippo and tissue growth factor beta (TGF- β) pathways, and imply connective tissue growth factor (CTGF) over-expression as transforming (19).

A number of signalling pathways may be involved in mediating the malignancy phenotype, including phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K) signalling through either aberrant AKT activity (20), or through MEK/Fra1 (21). However, clearly identified mechanisms of carcinogenesis in MM remain unclear, with significant heterogeneity in findings from tumours.

The role of focal adhesion kinase (FAK) in promoting cell migration and invasion has been suggested in several cancer types including MM. *NF2* loss induces FAK phosphorylation which enables it to interact with Src and the p85 subunit of PI3K (22). These data provide the rationale for testing FAK, Src kinase, and PI3K inhibitors.

Finally, BRCA-1 associated protein 1 (BAP1) regulates cell proliferation through histone modifications and somatic mutations are common in MM (23). It occurs mainly in epithelioid sub-type MM and germline BAP1 mutation is associated with increased risk of MM. Histone deacetylase (HDAC) inhibitor, vorinostat has been tested in MM and demonstrated no survival advantages but molecular subset analysis of this trial has not been performed.

Standard systemic therapy for MM is based on a combination of platinum and pemetrexed chemotherapy. Despite this, however, response rates remain low, with many patients not benefitting from such therapy. A number of molecular phenotypes have been investigated for patients with MM. The biological and clinical significance of many of these features, however, remains uncertain. Further investigation of MM, correlating molecular phenotype with clinical outcome remains key to understanding the biological processes underlying tumourigenesis and therapeutic sensitivity.

Pemetrexed is a cytotoxic anti-folate and actions as a selective thymidylate synthase (TS) inhibitor. It has been hypothesised in the basis of cell line data to be most active in tumour

types with inherent low TS expression (adenocarcinoma) and poorly active in those with high TS expression (small cell lung cancer) (24). The role of TS expression in MM has been poorly characterized, as well as its inter-relationship with other prognostic or predictive markers e.g. proliferation index, with some studies suggesting that TS expression level correlates with outcome from pemetrexed-based chemotherapy, and others not (25;26).

3.0 Study Objectives/Endpoint

3.1 Objectives

1. To retrospectively explore and document molecular abnormalities in tumour biopsies of patients with MM seen at the Royal Marsden Hospital (RMH) or St George's Hospital (SGH) and their associations with clinical outcomes
2. To act as a validation dataset for molecular aberrations identified from whole genome analysis of MM

3.2 Endpoints

1. To document and estimate the frequencies of different molecular abnormalities identified in tumour specimens of MM
2. To correlate the molecular abnormalities with clinical outcomes such as survival and response to chemotherapy to generate potential biomarkers for patients with MM

4.0 Eligibility

4.1 Inclusion Criteria

1. Patients with a confirmed pathological diagnosis of MM (any primary site) and availability of archival tissues
2. Patients seen at the RMH or SGH between 2000 to 2009
3. Age ≥ 18 years

4.2 Exclusion Criteria

1. Patients for whom a tissue diagnosis of confirmed MM has not been made

5.0 Study Design and Procedures

5.1 Patient Identification

Patients will be identified from those seen at the RMH or SGH with a pathological diagnosis of MM. Patient records will be cross-referenced with the inclusion/exclusion criteria to identify potentially eligible patients. In the first instance, patients will be identified if having undergone surgical thoracoscopy or other diagnostic procedures at the RMH or SGH.

5.2 Consent

No patients will be involved in this study. All specimens used from patients are formalin-fixed paraffin embedded (FFPE) material surplus to clinical requirements, and will be used in a linked-coded manner. There will be no study specific consent form.

5.3 Sample and Clinical Data Collection

Patients meeting the inclusion / exclusion criteria with FFPE material will be identified. Patient demographics and outcomes will be collected from the case notes at the RMH and SGH, using a common template. A common clinical data dataset without patient identifiers will be held at the RMH.

Tumour and normal (reactive pleural fibrosis) FFPE materials will be collected from both institutions then transferred and stored at the pathology laboratory at RMH Biomedical Research Centre (BRC). Material transfer agreements (MTA) will be sought and put in place

between (a) tissue-providing centres and the RMH and (b) collaborators, if different from tissue-providing centres, and the RMH.

Central pathological review will be performed on the FFPE tumour materials to confirm the diagnosis and tumour abundance. FFPE analyses including tissue microarray (TMA) formation will be performed with collaborators at ICL/Royal Brompton Hospital (RBH), where the chief investigator holds an academic position. The clinical dataset will be forwarded to ICL/RBH if required, to facilitate exploratory analyses. Immunohistochemistry (IHC) will be carried out at the laboratory at ICL/RBH/RMH. Surplus FFPE materials will otherwise be returned to the RMH and SGH upon completion of analyses.

5.4 Planned Laboratory Analyses

Samples will be used for investigation into MM carcinogenesis, and molecular variants influencing drug therapy.

Laboratory analyses will involve primarily IHC or CISH and other techniques (including molecular methods e.g. sequencing) to meet the ends of this study. Contingent on numbers of blocks obtained, samples will be classified into epithelioid and non-epithelioid subtypes, and into patients treated with systemic therapy or not. FFPE material may be used for formation into TMA, or single section analyses.

IHC or CISH, if appropriate, on tumours will be performed at a number of markers contingent on the literature. This may involve Ki67, TS, *NF2*, YAP, FAK and BAP1. Other potential biomarkers may be assessed contingent on the field. Appropriate IHC scoring systems will be used contingent on type of marker analysed and will range from semi-quantitative 0-+++ or a

quantitative H-score. Clinical covariates including survival and response to chemotherapy will be assessed contingent on marker status.

FFPE material will be primarily used as a validation dataset to estimate the frequencies and to examine the distribution of novel carcinogenic markers identified from whole genome sequencing/expression profiling analyses occurring with ICL and other external collaborators, and may also be used for exploratory analyses.

6.0 Regulatory Issues

6.1 Ethics Approval

The Chief Investigator will have been granted Ethics Committee approval for this study, and will take responsibility for the conduct of the study. The study will be conducted in accordance with the NHS Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care, the Data Protection Act, and other regulatory requirements as appropriate.

The tissue used in this research will be surplus archived samples obtained as part of diagnosis or treatment. Consent for use of tissue will not be required for patients diagnosed before 1st September 2006 according to the Human Tissue Act regulations and Medical Research Council guidelines. For patients diagnosed after 1st September 2006 and alive, samples will be used only if patients provided written consent on the generic institution consent form. Due to the poor prognosis of mesothelioma, majority of patients enrolled in this study will have died and samples from deceased patients may be analysed without giving generic institution consent and we do not intend to seek consent from relatives of deceased patients. In addition, the results from the research will not affect patient's clinical outcomes/interests and we will not be looking for germline mutations that could affect patient's family.

6.2 Confidentiality

The Chief Investigator will preserve the confidentiality of participants taking part in the study as per the Data Protection Act. All molecular analyses will be performed on linked-coded

(anonymized) samples.

6.3 Indemnity, Sponsorship, and Funding

The RMH NHS Foundation Trust will act as the main sponsor for this study. This study is part funded by the RMH Lung Unit. Further grant support for this study will be applied for, as appropriate.

6.4 Study Management, Audits and Inspections

The overall monitoring of the study will be performed by the study management group. Investigators will also meet regularly to discuss study progress.

The study may be subject to inspection and audit by the sponsor and other regulatory bodies to ensure adherence to appropriate guidelines and laws.

6.5 Intellectual Property

Biological specimens will be treated as “gift” from patients, and will not be used for commercial exploitation. It is recognised that intellectual property (IP) may arise from the results of laboratory analyses. This will be addressed by a contract-specified material-transfer-agreement (MTA) for the protocol between the RMH, SGH and ICL/RBH as required.

6.6 Study Management

The day-to-day management of the study will be co-ordinated by the study management

group and collaborators at the National Heart and Lung Institute, ICL.

7.0 Statistical Considerations

7.1 Study Power

This is an exploratory study and the plan is to include all cases that meet the inclusion/exclusion criteria and this has been estimated to be around 300. The expected rates of abnormality in the ICL cohort are expected to be between 30-50%. 95% confidence limits have been calculated to determine the lower and upper confidence limits expected for our cohort with 300 patients.

Alpha	% Abnormal in ICL Cohort	95% Confidence interval Width	Lower	Upper
0.95	30	5.2	24.8	35.2
0.95	35	5.4	29.6	40.4
0.95	40	5.5	34.5	45.5
0.95	45	5.6	39.4	50.6
0.95	50	5.7	44.3	55.7

7.2 Data Analysis

Cases will be divided into groups according to their marker status and the proportion of cases with individual marker or a combination will be given with 95% confidence intervals. This grouping will be correlated with outcome measures using standard statistical methods. Time-

to-endpoint analyses, overall survival defined as from time of diagnosis to time of death will be measured and examined by the Kaplan-Meier method for groups with and without the markers and groups compared by the logrank test for univariable tests, and using Cox's proportional hazards for known clinical factors. For each different markers of interest, the response rates to chemotherapy will be compared between groups with and without the markers and examined using the χ^2 test. Other statistical analyses will be invoked as appropriate (e.g. K-means clustering for microarray data).

8.0 Results Dissemination and Publication Policy

The results of this study will be disseminated by presentation at academic meetings and publication in peer-reviewed journals. Investigators will be asked to contribute to co-authorship of any publications arising from this study.

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Appendix 3.1 - List of Differentially Expressed Genes

probesets	Gene.symbols	logFC	AveExpr	adj.P.Val
16761012	A2M	-0.79	9.95	0.005028618
16908316	AAMP	0.52	6.08	0.029999525
16823109	ABCA3	1.79	6.58	0.004665936
16839294	ABR	0.52	7.78	0.01350639
16843728	ACACA	0.83	7.31	0.004319194
16876440	ACP1	0.47	7.23	0.008999768
16716350	ACTA2	-1.25	6.01	0.032396736
16881594	ACTG2	-0.64	2.38	0.024462218
16886308	ACVR2A	-0.85	6.05	0.016955195
16751381	ACVRL1	-1.48	4.90	0.002719692
17045806	ADCY1	-0.92	4.34	0.0177897
16958201	ADCY5	-0.56	4.03	0.031777783
17044905	ADCYAP1R1	-0.68	3.16	0.014441129
16706238	ADK	-0.60	8.19	0.029803028
16709245	ADRA2A	-1.75	5.73	0.011077896
16727702	ADRBK1	-0.48	7.28	0.040390831
16928428	ADRBK2	-0.75	7.06	0.000661477
16917183	JAG1	-0.87	8.40	0.008138164
16700385	AGT	-0.93	4.93	0.001049806
16738400	APLNR	-1.55	6.78	0.014616204
16918496	AHCY	1.04	7.68	0.001431864
17030643	AIF1	-0.53	8.01	0.044388831
17006683	AIF1	-0.52	7.66	0.038484879
17027817	AIF1	-0.52	7.66	0.038484879
17038140	AIF1	-0.52	7.66	0.038484879
17040735	AIF1	-0.52	7.66	0.038484879
17035441	AIF1	-0.55	8.01	0.030724616
17011302	AIM1	-1.52	6.46	0.001094005
16872352	AKT2	0.29	5.77	0.030939687
16757160	ALDH2	1.01	8.85	0.015439261
16727976	ALDH3B1	1.23	6.98	0.002550094
16763182	ABCD2	-1.74	3.82	0.000739182
16817790	ALDOA	0.56	7.11	0.001811295
16704375	ALOX5	-0.73	7.11	0.032508512
16830220	ALOX12P2	2.63	6.11	0.001690497
17080082	ANGPT1	-1.56	4.65	0.000653427
17074259	ANGPT2	-1.91	6.95	0.000510132
16969911	ANK2	-1.63	5.79	0.000275103
16972912	SLC25A4	0.89	6.41	0.038950581
17106574	SLC25A5	0.73	8.19	0.006157436
16968213	ANXA3	4.14	8.11	3.57E-05
16881069	ANXA4	0.90	9.27	0.00326115
17001800	ANXA6	-0.99	9.25	0.01202954
17056701	AOAH	-0.91	7.42	0.027275532
16863124	APOC1	1.24	6.89	0.032242602
17101368	SHROOM2	1.21	4.13	0.000716615
16834621	ARL4D	1.45	7.03	0.011018364
17109078	ARHGAP6	-1.03	4.74	0.000212944
16761843	ARHGDIB	-0.91	5.10	0.00130173
16966214	RHOH	-1.65	4.10	0.000530151
16997519	ARSB	-0.74	5.59	0.009767157
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17090296	ASS1	1.02	9.13	0.011824105
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16839887	ATP2A3	-1.51	6.02	0.00074238
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16766260	ATP5B	0.54	10.68	0.005028198
16924537	ATP5J	0.58	5.11	0.013898501
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16874082	BCAT2	0.86	5.93	0.001361864
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16815918	TNFRSF17	-1.08	3.09	0.021821543
16856216	HCN2	1.06	4.22	0.010861211
16788036	BDKRB1	1.52	4.51	0.04496503
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17011279	PRDM1	-1.20	6.27	0.00228695
17065750	BLK	-1.01	4.27	0.015558878
16732037	CXCR5	-1.41	3.72	0.001690497
16812746	BNC1	5.31	7.88	1.18E-07
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17101698	BMX	-1.56	2.97	3.70E-06
16856203	BSG	0.96	9.97	0.000227676
16775364	KLF5	1.26	6.44	0.000563279
17112735	BTK	-0.99	5.75	0.008999768
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17008544	BYSL	0.73	5.57	0.0073213
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16726707	MRPL49	0.49	5.72	0.0338111
16739117	TMEM258	0.51	5.32	0.008537511
16725670	DAGLA	1.00	5.77	0.004631814
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16874012	CA11	1.29	6.66	0.038051871
16746728	CACNA1C	-0.92	6.06	0.046787896
17059195	CACNA2D1	-1.47	7.00	0.006229481
16903771	CACNB4	-1.62	4.91	0.000366196
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16820849	CALB2	5.37	9.34	5.17E-05
16987945	CAMK4	-0.89	4.63	0.015779003
16993397	CANX	0.39	10.61	0.016439345
16861380	CAPNS1	0.54	10.15	0.017597773
17113362	CAPN6	3.04	7.55	0.007464485
16743874	CASP5	-1.09	3.88	0.00412635
16978959	CASP6	0.94	4.92	0.036283776
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16922477	CBR1	0.69	5.63	0.004470175
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16817489	CD19	-2.02	4.61	0.000799686

16725252	MS4A1	-2.93	6.27	0.01631073
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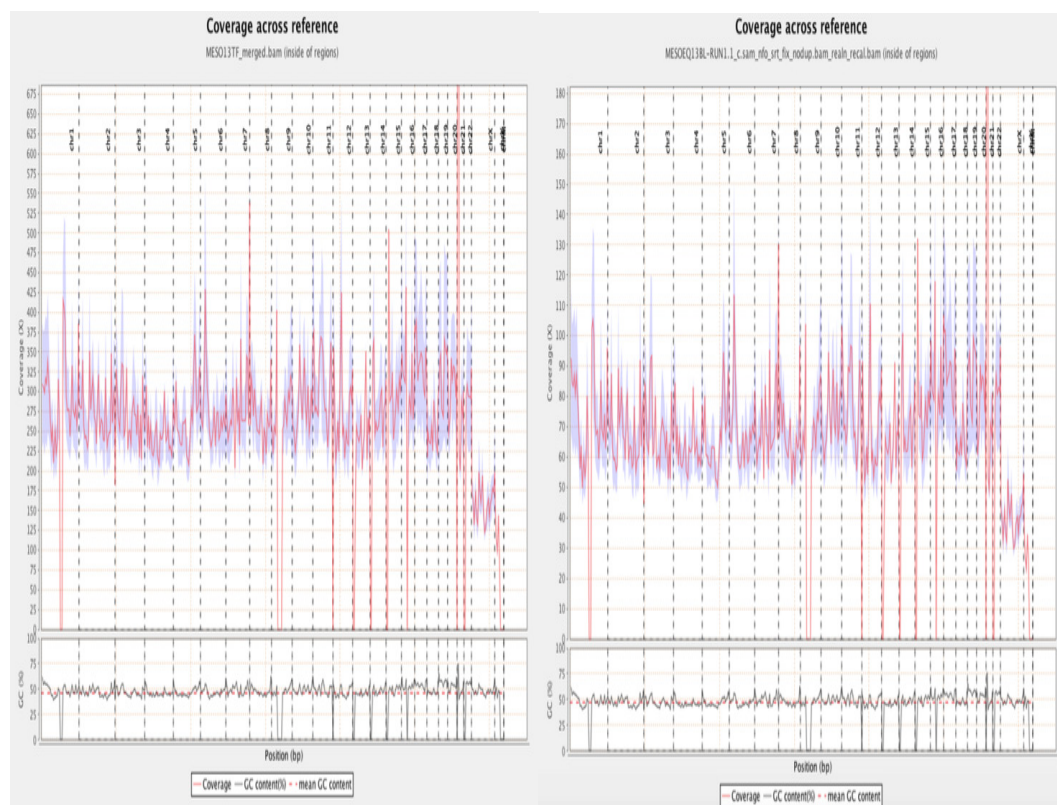
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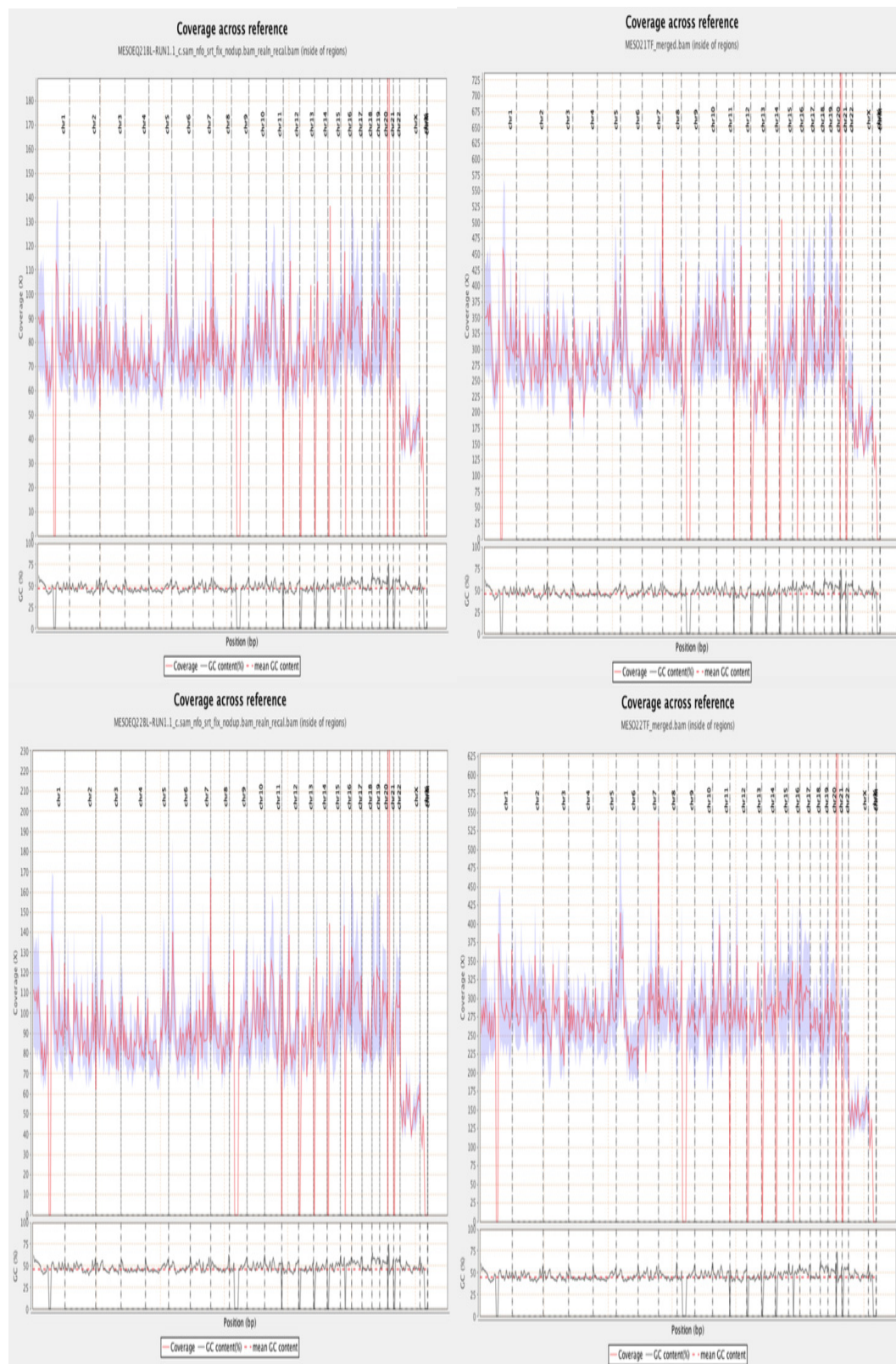
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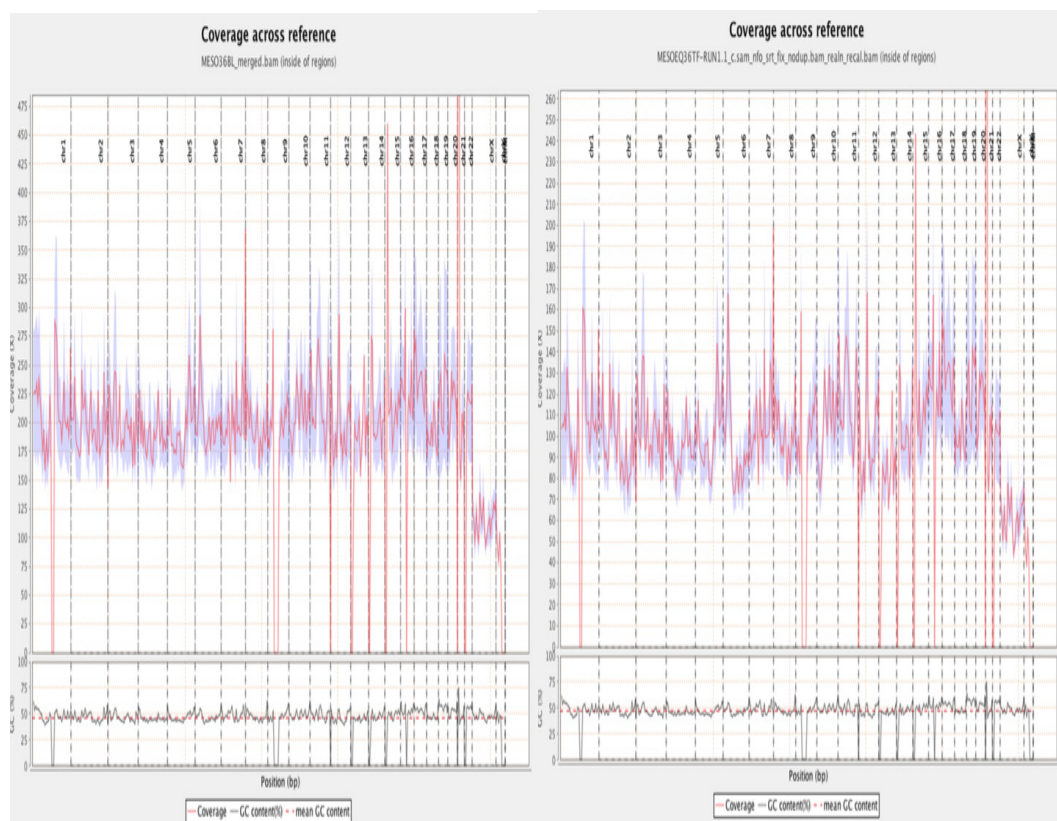
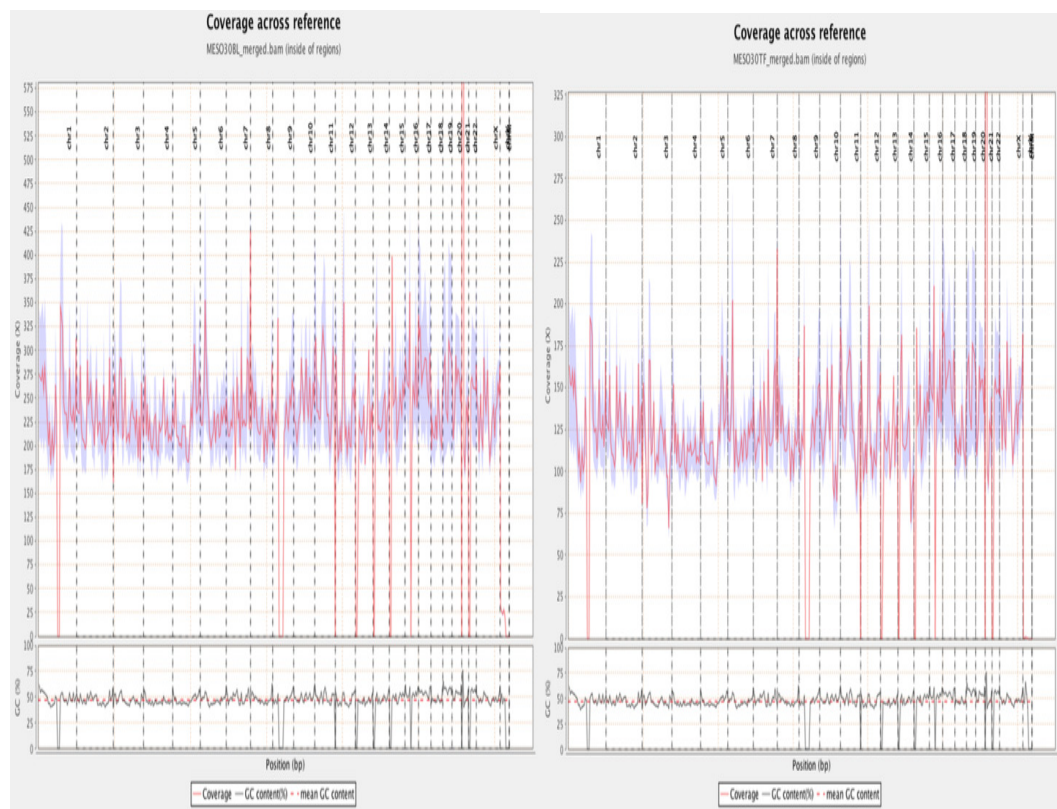
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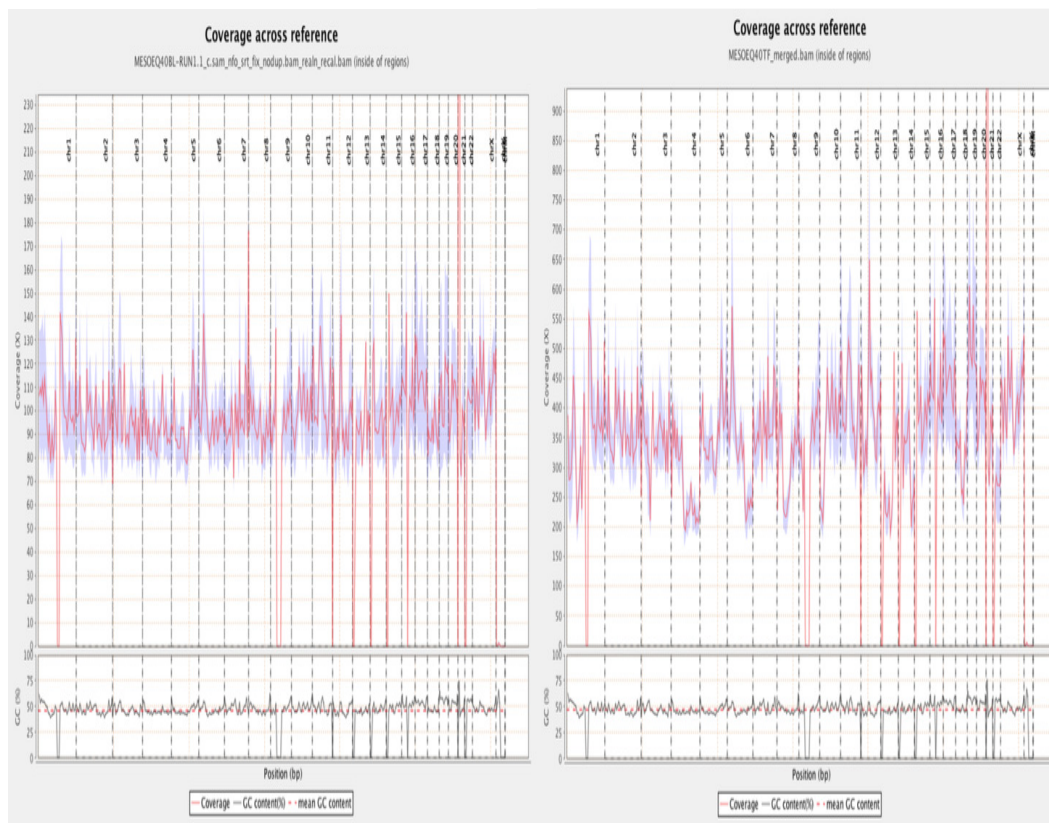
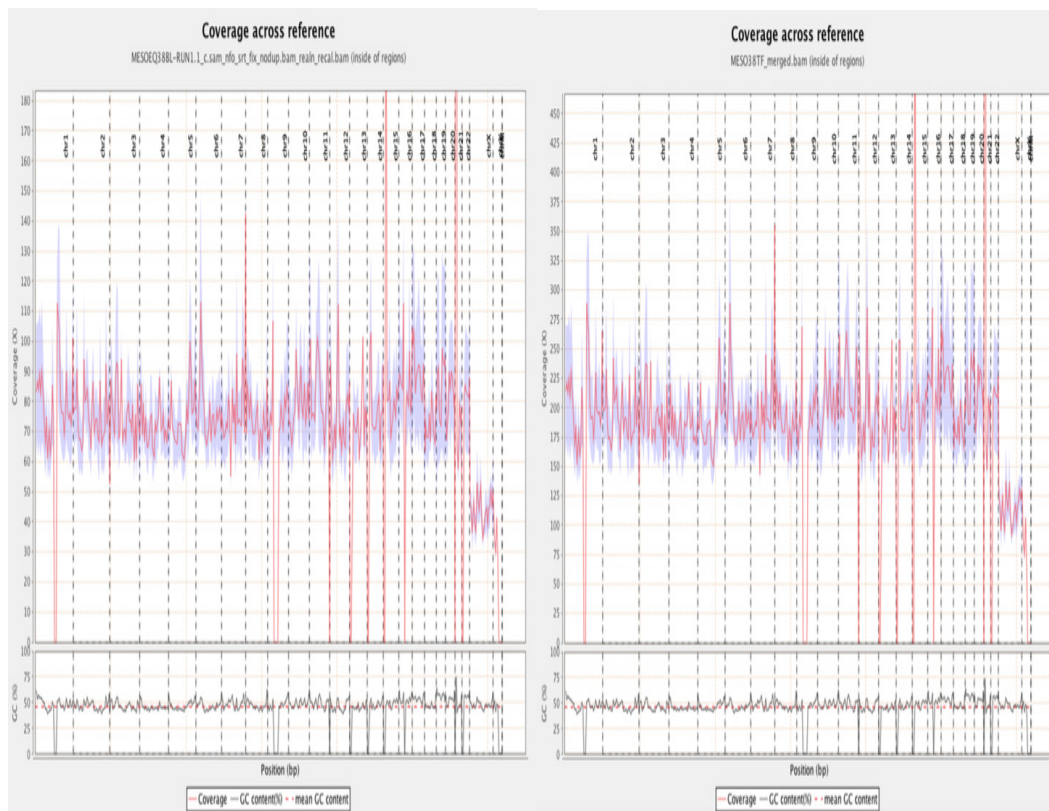
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Appendix 4.1 - Coverage Across Reference for Each Matched Tumour and Normal Pair in Discovery Cohort









Appendix 4.2 - Functional Prediction of Nonsynonymous SNV with SIFT, Polyphen2 and MutationTaster

Gene	Exon	Codon	protein	SIFT	Polyphen2	Mutation Taster
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MPPED1	exon2	c.A20C	p.D7A	T	B	D
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ASH1L	exon3	c.G2233A	p.V745I	T	B	D
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TFAP2D	exon2	c.C200A	p.T67N	T	B	D
XRN2	exon21	c.G1967A	p.R656Q	T	B	D
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KCNB1	exon2	c.G1882A	p.G628R	T	B	D
TCEA3	exon8	c.C782T	p.A261V	T	B	D
ROR1	exon6	c.G910A	p.A304T,ROR1	T	B	D
SP6	exon2	c.G250A	p.D84N,SP6	T	B	D
KRTAP5-1	exon1	c.T70C	p.C24R	T	B	D
ADCY3	exon8	c.G1653T	p.Q551H	T	B	D
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PLXNA3	exon6	c.C1477A	p.Q493K	T	B	D
RTKN	exon3	c.G359T	p.R120L,RTKN	T	B	D
GIGYF1	exon11	c.G1223T	p.G408V	T	B	D

HOXC5	exon1	c.A209C	p.H70P	T	B	D
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AMMECR1L	exon5	c.G554T	p.R185L,AMMECR1L	T	B	D
MAP3K10	exon3	c.C1000A	p.R334S	T	B	D
TIMM44	exon9	c.G914T	p.R305L	T	B	D
PIK3CB	exon3	c.G426T	p.M142I,PIK3CB	T	B	D
LRRC2	exon3	c.G162T	p.R54S	T	B	D
SOCS5	exon2	c.G1040A	p.S347N,SOCS5	T	B	D
DOCK5	exon2	c.C67A	p.Q23K	T	B	D
RUNX3	exon4	c.G650T	p.G217V,RUNX3	T	B	D
ACTN1	exon19	c.G2334T	p.M778I,ACTN1	T	B	D
TXN	exon2	c.G40T	p.A14S,TXN	T	B	D
INF2	exon18	c.C2704A	p.Q902K,INF2	T	B	D
ACSM4	exon3	c.C460A	p.L154I	T	B	D
TPM4	exon1	c.C17A	p.S6Y	T	B	D
ACOT1	exon1	c.A439G	p.T147A	T	B	D
CYP3A5	exon10	c.G889T	p.A297S,CYP3A5	T	B	D
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PRRX2	exon4	c.C637A	p.P213T	T	B	D
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SLC9A5	exon5	c.C856A	p.L286I	T	B	D
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CARM1	exon1	c.C211A	p.L71I	T	B	D

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ARID3A	exon3	c.C605A	p.P202H	T	D	N
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GLTSCR1	exon7	c.C2248T	p.P750S	T	D	D
GPHN	exon7	c.A468C	p.Q156H,GPHN	T	D	D
URGCP- MRPS24	exon4	c.G157A	p.D53N,URGCP	T	D	D
GAB2	exon4	c.G947C	p.R316P,GAB2	T	D	D
POM121L2	exon1	c.G2677A	p.G893R	T	D	D
SPAG9	exon5	c.A662G	p.N221S,SPAG9	T	D	D

ALDH16A1	exon15	c.G2042A	p.C681Y,ALDH16A1	T	D	D
LRP12	exon4	c.C841G	p.R281G,LRP12	T	D	D
TBX22	exon5	c.A772G	p.T258A,TBX22	T	D	D
KLHL6	exon7	c.C1696T	p.R566W	T	D	D
PTPN1	exon5	c.G415T	p.V139L,PTPN1	T	D	D
GLTSCR1L	exon5	c.A460G	p.N154D	T	D	D
SLC43A2	exon5	c.C554G	p.P185R,SLC43A2	T	D	D
ITPR1	exon20	c.A2353C	p.T785P,ITPR1	T	D	D
FES	exon14	c.A1778G	p.E593G,FES	T	D	D
FLT3	exon7	c.C772T	p.P258S	T	D	D
GRID2	exon6	c.G745A	p.D249N,GRID2	T	D	D
KLHL2	exon13	c.G1387A	p.D463N,KLHL2	T	D	D
FAM118B	exon7	c.C932A	p.P311Q	T	D	D
SETD6	exon7	c.T1043C	p.V348A,SETD6	T	D	D
GRIA4	exon15	c.G2314A	p.V772I	T	D	D
LRIT1	exon2	c.G346T	p.G116W	T	D	D
ZNF680	exon4	c.G736A	p.A246T	T	D	D
STAB1	exon15	c.C1598A	p.S533Y	T	D	D
SOBP	exon6	c.A1412C	p.N471T	T	D	D
BANP	exon2	c.C59A	p.P20H,BANP	T	D	D
BRSK1	exon14	c.C1514A	p.P505H	T	D	D
DNAAF3	exon6	c.G725T	p.W242L,DNAAF3	T	D	D
MED25	exon7	c.T716C	p.L239P	T	D	D
MYOG	exon2	c.C512A	p.P171Q	T	D	D
FDFT1	exon3	c.C311A	p.P104Q,FDFT1	T	D	D
PLLP	exon3	c.G352A	p.A118T	T	D	D
STYK1	exon4	c.C88T	p.P30S	T	D	D
WDR59	exon24	c.G2453T	p.W818L	T	D	D
PKHD1	exon5	c.G308C	p.G103A,PKHD1	T	D	D

TMEM25	exon5	c.C745A	p.L249I, TMEM25	T	D	D
UBTF	exon7	c.C607A	p.Q203K, UBTF	T	D	D
P2RX4	exon1	c.G133T	p.G45W, P2RX4	T	D	D
LRSAM1	exon2	c.C61A	p.Q21K, LRSAM1	T	D	D
CLEC2L	exon1	c.G174T	p.W58C	T	D	D
FAM43B	exon1	c.C467A	p.P156Q	T	D	D
MMRN2	exon6	c.T2263G	p.F755V	T	D	D
SMPD4	exon14	c.G1591T	p.D531Y, SMPD4	T	D	D
TTC7A	exon17	c.C1001A	p.A334D, TTC7A	T	D	D
LAMA5	exon44	c.G5773T	p.A1925S	T	D	D
DDHD2	exon8	c.C868A	p.L290M, DDHD2	T	D	D
CSDE1	exon17	c.G2238T	p.R746S, CSDE1	T	D	D
FOXRED1	exon8	c.C838A	p.Q280K	T	D	D
NCL	exon8	c.G1218T	p.Q406H	T	D	D
CCDC108	exon16	c.G2615T	p.R872L	T	D	D
PDCL3	exon5	c.C376A	p.L126I	T	D	D
PBX4	exon1	c.C100A	p.L34M	T	D	D
COL16A1	exon63	c.G3903T	p.Q1301H	T	D	D
ZNF511	exon1	c.G134T	p.R45L	T	D	D
AIDA	exon6	c.G387T	p.L129F	T	D	D
ARHGEF10L	exon8	c.G794T	p.G265V, ARHGEF10 L	T	D	D
COL12A1	exon33	c.G4047T	p.L1349F, COL12A1	T	D	D
PIGS	exon8	c.G840T	p.L280F	T	D	D
CFAP43	exon29	c.G3663T	p.E1221D	T	D	D
CCDC33	exon4	c.C407A	p.P136H	T	D	D
FBN3	exon55	c.C7073A	p.T2358N	T	D	D
ARPP21	exon2	c.C71A	p.P24Q, ARPP21	T	D	D
NEB	exon94	c.G13954T	p.A4652S, NEB	T	D	D

KIAA1549	exon9	c.G3832T	p.G1278C,KIAA1549	T	D	D
IGF2BP2	exon14	c.G1437T	p.Q479H,IGF2BP2	T	D	D
SOX18	exon2	c.C592A	p.R198S	T	D	D
GADL1	exon3	c.G221T	p.W74L	T	D	D
CEP250	exon10	c.C880A	p.Q294K	T	D	D
BCAM	exon14	c.C1769A	p.P590Q	T	D	D
PRKDC				T	D	D
NBPF9				T	D	D
C10orf82	exon4	c.C412G	p.L138V	T	P	N
RASGRP4	exon5	c.C409A	p.H137N,RASGRP4	T	P	N
BEND2	exon4	c.C391G	p.Q131E,BEND2	T	P	N
SPACA3	exon2	c.G37A	p.V13M	T	P	N
COL22A1	exon37	c.A2824G	p.R942G	T	P	N
SCG2	exon2	c.C1024A	p.P342T	T	P	N
DPCR1	exon2	c.C2204T	p.P735L	T	P	N
ZNF486	exon4	c.C917G	p.P306R	T	P	N
CRB2	exon10	c.G2791T	p.G931W	T	P	N
CABIN1	exon31	c.C5294A	p.P1765Q,CABIN1	T	P	N
CUX2	exon6	c.C490A	p.L164I	T	P	N
RSPH10B2	exon14	c.C1589A	p.P530Q,RSPH10B	T	P	N
SEMA3G	exon1	c.C31A	p.L11M	T	P	N
ZNF471	exon4	c.C227T	p.T76M	T	P	N
FRG2	exon4	c.G450T	p.R150S,FRG2	T	P	N
MRPL11	exon1	c.G13T	p.G5C,MRPL11	T	P	N
AVIL	exon16	c.G2011T	p.A671S	T	P	N
MMP11	exon1	c.C92A	p.A31D	T	P	N
ALG1	exon7	c.C758A	p.P253Q	T	P	N
OR5H1	exon1	c.G149T	p.W50L	T	P	N
ELF4	exon9	c.C1213A	p.H405N,ELF4	T	P	N

RAET1G	exon2	c.C134A	p.P45H	T	P	N
C19orf52	exon2	c.C212A	p.A71E	T	P	N
P2RX4	exon1	c.C26A	p.A9E,P2RX4	T	P	N
CNTRL	exon17	c.C2803A	p.L935I	T	P	N
SPATA31E1	exon4	c.G3386A	p.C1129Y	T	P	N
TCEB3CL	exon1	c.C905G	p.A302G,TCEB3C	T	P	N
BCAR1	exon2	c.C386A	p.P129Q,BCAR1	T	P	N
ZNF552	exon3	c.C248A	p.A83E	T	P	N
SHANK3	exon21	c.C2375A	p.P792Q	T	P	N
TBX10	exon2	c.G80T	p.W27L	T	P	N
ANKRD20A3	exon3	c.C382T	p.L128F,ANKRD20A 2	T	P	N
MAPKBP1	exon23	c.G2675T	p.R892M,MAPKBP1	T	P	N
CGN	exon12	c.C2146A	p.Q716K	T	P	N
CCDC159	exon5	c.C406A	p.Q136K	T	P	N
MUC20	exon2	c.G1087T	p.A363S,MUC20	T	P	N
TARBP1	exon1	c.C305T	p.A102V	T	P	N
C9orf3	exon10	c.C1703A	p.A568D,C9orf3	T	P	N
MUC20	exon2	c.G1114T	p.G372C,MUC20	T	P	N
TJP3	exon5	c.C311A	p.P104H,TJP3	T	P	N
ADAMTS16	exon1	c.C40A	p.L14M	T	P	N
FBRSL1	exon17	c.C2612A	p.A871E	T	P	N
SMYD3	exon8	c.G732A	p.M244I,SMYD3	T	P	D
KCNN1	exon3	c.C339A	p.F113L	T	P	D
FO XK1	exon2	c.C631A	p.P211T	T	P	D
MN1	exon1	c.C1802T	p.P601L	T	P	D
FAM73B	exon9	c.A942C	p.R314S	T	P	D
SEMA5A	exon4	c.C193A	p.P65T	T	P	D
WBSCR17	exon10	c.C1573A	p.R525S	T	P	D

NBEAL1	exon38	c.C5953A	p.P1985T	T	P	D
FAM20C	exon1	c.C581A	p.P194H	T	P	D
FANCD2	exon34	c.G3457A	p.E1153K,FANCD2	T	P	D
HIVEP2	exon6	c.G5197T	p.D1733Y	T	P	D
CELSR2	exon17	c.C6271A	p.Q2091K	T	P	D
PIEZO1	exon24	c.C3436G	p.P1146A	T	P	D
SYN1	exon12	c.G1505T	p.S502I,SYN1	T	P	D
POU3F1	exon1	c.G344T	p.R115L	T	P	D
EPB41	exon13	c.C2044A	p.Q682K,EPB41	T	P	D
CDKAL1	exon6	c.C427A	p.Q143K	T	P	D
KIAA1244	exon25	c.C4133A	p.P1378Q	T	P	D
CDH22	exon7	c.C1234A	p.L412M	T	P	D
ITGA9	exon16	c.G1695T	p.R565S	T	P	D
SLC24A5	exon8	c.C1114A	p.L372I	T	P	D
SEZ6L	exon12	c.C2572A	p.H858N,SEZ6L	T	P	D
USH2A	exon46	c.G9063T	p.Q3021H	T	P	D
RGMA	exon1	c.G3T	p.M1I,RGMA	T	P	D
C10orf54	exon6	c.G880C	p.V294L	T	P	D
NAB2	exon2	c.T622C	p.F208L	T	P	D
SMOC1	exon1	c.C22A	p.R8S,SMOC1	T	P	D
MRPS6	exon1	c.C7A	p.R3S	T	P	D
C1orf106	exon9	c.C1570A	p.Q524K,C1orf106	T	P	D
DNAH17	exon70	c.G11282T	p.G3761V	T	P	D
SPEG	exon4	c.C2036A	p.P679H	T	P	D
ADCY10	exon14	c.G1526T	p.R509L,ADCY10	T	P	D
ADARB2	exon8	c.G1812T	p.E604D	T	P	D
ADAMTS6	exon20	c.G2460T	p.L820F	T	P	D
DGKQ	exon4	c.G506T	p.R169L	T	P	D
SLC6A7	exon14	c.C1734A	p.D578E	T	P	D

SLC52A2	exon3	c.C199A	p.L67I,SLC52A2	T	P	D
TUBGCP5	exon22	c.C2971A	p.H991N,TUBGCP5	T	P	D
HK2	exon18	c.A2627T	p.H876L	T	P	D
MUC16	exon66	c.T41639G	p.L13880W	T	P	.
NOS1AP	exon6	c.C578A	p.P193Q,NOS1AP	T	P	.
MUC16	exon55	c.A40562 G	p.N13521S	T	P	.
MUC16	exon55	c.G40547 A	p.R13516K	T	P	.
C1orf167	exon2	c.C44A	p.P15Q	D	.	N
POTEJ	exon13	c.C1547A	p.P516Q	D	.	N
CFAP46	exon29	c.G3968T	p.C1323F	D	.	N
TTC34	exon4	c.G628T	p.G210W	D	.	N
SEC14L6	exon9	c.C743A	p.P248H	D	.	D
MUC3A	exon2	c.C956T	p.T319I	D	.	.
IL19	exon1	c.G10A	p.E4K	D	B	N
MAPK13	exon3	c.G293A	p.R98H	D	B	N
PLEKHA4	exon20	c.G2263A	p.G755R	D	B	N
PRR29	exon5	c.G604A	p.V202I	D	B	N
OR4C12	exon1	c.T806C	p.V269A	D	B	N
RASIP1	exon5	c.C1493T	p.A498V	D	B	N
PRR25	exon1	c.T235G	p.W79G	D	B	N
TMEM173	exon5	c.C694T	p.H232Y,TMEM173	D	B	N
COL27A1	exon2	c.C77A	p.S26Y	D	B	N
MUC5B	exon31	c.A5779T	p.T1927S	D	B	N
PHKB	exon25	c.G2353A	p.G785R	D	B	N
PODN	exon1	c.C19A	p.R7S,PODN	D	B	N
DUSP13	exon2	c.G3T	p.M1I	D	B	N
ATP13A2	exon27	c.G3389T	p.W1130L	D	B	N

MAMLD1	exon5	c.C2977A	p.Q993K	D	B	N
OLFML2A	exon1	c.C71A	p.P24H	D	B	N
NOC2L	exon16	c.G1826T	p.R609L	D	B	N
KRTAP4-8	exon1	c.G470T	p.R157L	D	B	N
S1PR5	exon2	c.G775T	p.A259S,S1PR5	D	B	N
ZNF140	exon4	c.C1000A	p.L334I,ZNF140	D	B	N
NTN3	exon6	c.C1562A	p.P521H	D	B	N
PNCK	exon10	c.G1115T	p.R372L,PNCK	D	B	N
ZNF75D	exon3	c.C533A	p.S178Y,ZNF75D	D	B	N
FOXD4L1	exon1	c.C1132A	p.Q378K	D	B	N
PRSS58	exon4	c.G330T	p.E110D	D	B	N
ATAD3A	exon3	c.G363T	p.Q121H	D	B	N
IGSF9B	exon18	c.G3821T	p.G1274V	D	B	D
RPL10	exon2	c.C19T	p.R7C,RPL10	D	B	D
ATG2B	exon2	c.G264T	p.Q88H	D	B	D
TRIB1	exon1	c.C49A	p.R17S	D	B	D
SNRPD2	exon3	c.C273G	p.N91K,SNRPD2	D	B	D
CLK1	exon9	c.A1124G	p.D375G,CLK1	D	B	D
PRPH	exon1	c.C433A	p.Q145K	D	B	D
GNA11	exon1	c.G21T	p.M7I	D	B	D
RPL4	exon7	c.G773T	p.R258L	D	B	D
CNN2	exon1	c.G37T	p.G13W,CNN2	D	B	D
AIDA	exon1	c.G32T	p.R11L	D	B	D
CYP4F3	exon13	c.C1495T	p.R499C,CYP4F3	D	B	D
USP17L2	exon1	c.C337A	p.H113N	D	B	D
MUC16	exon14	c.G36759T	p.R12253S	D	B	.
FAM179B	exon1	c.C1807T	p.H603Y	D	D	N
ARHGEF11	exon26	c.T2374A	p.W792R,ARHGEF11	D	D	N
ZNF646	exon2	c.C2615A	p.P872H	D	D	N

PCDHGA5	exon1	c.G2086A	p.A696T,PCDHGA5	D	D	N
KIR3DL1	exon3	c.C90G	p.F30L	D	D	N
PITPNM1	exon4	c.C382G	p.L128V,PITPNM1	D	D	N
PPP1R1A	exon1	c.C38G	p.T13R	D	D	N
ZNF845	exon4	c.C1276A	p.L426I	D	D	N
COQ9	exon1	c.C5A	p.A2E	D	D	N
SLC38A9	exon8	c.G586T	p.G196W,SLC38A9	D	D	N
GNB1L	exon3	c.G106T	p.G36W	D	D	N
PCDHA6	exon1	c.C1406A	p.P469Q,PCDHA6	D	D	N
SATL1	exon3	c.C1726A	p.L576I	D	D	N
SPIDR	exon4	c.A190T	p.R64W,SPIDR	D	D	N
ENSA	exon2	c.G189T	p.W63C	D	D	N
MUC1	exon2	c.G282T	p.W94C,MUC1	D	D	N
ACAD10	exon12	c.C1628A	p.P543H,ACAD10	D	D	N
ARHGEF35	exon2	c.C1352A	p.P451H	D	D	N
AKNA	exon22	c.G4213T	p.A1405S	D	D	N
CTC1	exon10	c.C1733A	p.A578D	D	D	N
CR1	exon34	c.C5552A	p.P1851Q,CR1	D	D	N
RHBDF2	exon2	c.G25T	p.G9W,RHBDF2	D	D	N
LCE1D	exon2	c.C131A	p.S44Y	D	D	N
LAT2	exon12	c.C671A	p.P224Q,LAT2	D	D	N
PPP1R3F	exon4	c.G261T	p.Q87H,PPP1R3F	D	D	N
MIER2	exon8	c.G731T	p.R244M	D	D	N
LILRB1	exon14	c.A1789T	p.T597S,LILRB1	D	D	N
ZNF624	exon2	c.G34T	p.G12W	D	D	N
CNTNAP3	exon22	c.G3616T	p.G1206W	D	D	N
IFNA10	exon1	c.G202T	p.G68C	D	D	N
GZMH	exon1	c.G49T	p.G17W,GZMH	D	D	N
AKR7A2	exon1	c.G274T	p.G92W	D	D	N

CCL8	exon3	c.C233A	p.P78H	D	D	N
CDC25A	exon1	c.C14A	p.P5Q,CDC25A	D	D	N
SHANK3	exon11	c.G1375T	p.G459C	D	D	N
TNXB	exon23	c.G8038T	p.G2680W	D	D	N
KIR3DL2	exon2	c.C62A	p.P21Q,KIR3DL2	D	D	N
DNAH12				D	D	N
PPM1F	exon8	c.G1076T	p.C359F	D	D	D
GPX8	exon1	c.G3A	p.M1I	D	D	D
DENND5A	exon12	c.G2312A	p.G771D,DENND5A	D	D	D
FCN2	exon7	c.T710A	p.L237Q,FCN2	D	D	D
PPRC1	exon8	c.C3754T	p.R1252W,PPRC1	D	D	D
MAP1A	exon4	c.A2714C	p.K905T	D	D	D
STK4	exon6	c.G659A	p.G220E	D	D	D
CACNA1B	exon28	c.A4196G	p.Y1399C,CACNA1B	D	D	D
INADL	exon33	c.C4334T	p.S1445L	D	D	D
MORN3	exon4	c.G541A	p.G181S	D	D	D
ARHGAP44	exon16	c.A1490G	p.D497G	D	D	D
LIG4	exon2	c.C2241G	p.C747W,LIG4	D	D	D
MYH11	exon8	c.C817T	p.R273C,MYH11	D	D	D
FZD2	exon1	c.G1399A	p.V467M	D	D	D
KSR1	exon15	c.G1462A	p.G488S	D	D	D
RAPGEF3	exon23	c.G2248A	p.D750N,RAPGEF3	D	D	D
MYH7B	exon34	c.C4054T	p.R1352C	D	D	D
KCNH6	exon5	c.A998C	p.H333P,KCNH6	D	D	D
GGT7	exon2	c.G308A	p.R103H	D	D	D
PRDM16	exon7	c.C919T	p.R307C,PRDM16	D	D	D
COPS4	exon6	c.G574T	p.A192S,COPS4	D	D	D
WDR13	exon7	c.G980A	p.R327H,WDR13	D	D	D
SALL4	exon2	c.G194A	p.R65Q	D	D	D

PCDH8	exon1	c.C1456T	p.R486C,PCDH8	D	D	D
AICDA	exon3	c.G374T	p.G125V	D	D	D
NPTXR	exon1	c.C460T	p.L154F	D	D	D
MPPE1	exon8	c.G873C	p.E291D,MPPE1	D	D	D
KMT2A	exon3	c.G1259A	p.R420Q,KMT2A	D	D	D
ADD3	exon10	c.T1315C	p.W439R,ADD3	D	D	D
KIF26B	exon12	c.G4535A	p.G1512E	D	D	D
SLC25A23	exon6	c.G679T	p.G227W	D	D	D
MBOAT7	exon4	c.G362A	p.R121H,MBOAT7	D	D	D
KCTD11	exon1	c.T569G	p.V190G	D	D	D
AK2	exon6	c.T644C	p.I215T,AK2	D	D	D
CNBD2	exon11	c.T1274G	p.F425C	D	D	D
MYO18A	exon22	c.G3518T	p.R1173L,MYO18A	D	D	D
PYGB	exon12	c.A1462C	p.T488P	D	D	D
IL17RE	exon14	c.C1597T	p.R533C,IL17RE	D	D	D
HK3	exon12	c.G1675A	p.V559M	D	D	D
DNAJC11	exon8	c.C778T	p.R260W	D	D	D
YME1L1	exon14	c.G1601T	p.R534L,YME1L1	D	D	D
PKN1	exon8	c.G1244T	p.W415L,PKN1	D	D	D
ADCY2	exon25	c.C3218T	p.T1073M	D	D	D
RUNX1	exon6	c.C1330A	p.R444S,RUNX1	D	D	D
KBTBD11	exon2	c.C1012T	p.R338C	D	D	D
LAMA5	exon16	c.G2080T	p.G694W	D	D	D
SNPH	exon6	c.T793C	p.S265P	D	D	D
NFKBIB	exon3	c.C190A	p.R64S,NFKBIB	D	D	D
ZCCHC2	exon1	c.C473A	p.P158Q	D	D	D
SYNE1	exon12 6	c.G22811T	p.W7604L,SYNE1	D	D	D
MFRP	exon8	c.G904T	p.G302W	D	D	D

COL18A1	exon7	c.G1735A	p.G579S,COL18A1	D	D	D
MLPH	exon8	c.C1001T	p.S334L,MLPH	D	D	D
AIFM1	exon4	c.G296T	p.R99L,AIFM1	D	D	D
NCF1	exon2	c.G95T	p.W32L	D	D	D
SERPINB12	exon4	c.G482T	p.W161L	D	D	D
TTC39B	exon14	c.G1312T	p.G438W,TTC39B	D	D	D
CMA1	exon5	c.G631T	p.G211W	D	D	D
MYL6	exon3	c.C128A	p.P43H,MYL6	D	D	D
DNAH7	exon53	c.G10061T	p.W3354L	D	D	D
SLC6A13	exon4	c.G450T	p.W150C	D	D	D
JMJD1C	exon5	c.A188T	p.D63V,JMJD1C	D	D	D
SLC34A1	exon6	c.C557A	p.P186H,SLC34A1	D	D	D
POLR1A	exon13	c.G1727T	p.R576L	D	D	D
ETV4	exon8	c.G703T	p.G235W,ETV4	D	D	D
AR	exon1	c.C110A	p.P37Q	D	D	D
SENP8	exon2	c.C469A	p.Q157K,SENP8	D	D	D
TRIM39-RPP21	exon3	c.A647G	p.E216G,TRIM39	D	D	D
HERC2	exon77	c.C11716T	p.R3906C	D	D	D
LRP8	exon5	c.G514T	p.G172W,LRP8	D	D	D
YAF2	exon2	c.G138T	p.K46N,YAF2	D	D	D
NDUFV1	exon5	c.C662A	p.P221H,NDUFV1	D	D	D
LACTB2	exon4	c.G503T	p.G168V	D	D	D
MLXIPL	exon16	c.G2350T	p.G784W,MLXIPL	D	D	D
HSPA8	exon2	c.G99T	p.Q33H,HSPA8	D	D	D
USP6	exon6	c.C371A	p.P124H	D	D	D
FYTDD1	exon7	c.C728A	p.P243Q,FYTDD1	D	D	D
EPB41	exon6	c.C965A	p.P322Q,EPB41	D	D	D
FAM205A	exon4	c.G923T	p.W308L	D	D	D
ARHGEF11	exon3	c.G187T	p.G63W,ARHGEF11	D	D	D

CLASP1	exon20	c.G1942T	p.G648W,CLASP1	D	D	D
SRCAP	exon19	c.C2842A	p.L948I	D	D	D
DOCK1	exon49	c.C5068A	p.L1690M,DOCK1	D	D	D
MMP3	exon3	c.A364G	p.T122A	D	D	D
SEMA4D	exon13	c.G1079T	p.G360V,SEMA4D	D	D	D
FAM129B	exon10	c.G1274T	p.R425L,FAM129B	D	D	D
TARBP2	exon2	c.C29A	p.P10Q,TARBP2	D	D	D
TECR	exon13	c.C829A	p.Q277K	D	D	D
NOS3	exon12	c.C1577A	p.S526Y,NOS3	D	D	D
KIF1A	exon46	c.G5066T	p.R1689L,KIF1A	D	D	D
ZNF600	exon3	c.G1061T	p.G354V	D	D	D
TNKS1BP1	exon4	c.G757T	p.G253W	D	D	D
FILIP1L	exon2	c.G240T	p.E80D,FILIP1L	D	D	D
KNDC1	exon10	c.C1688A	p.A563D	D	D	D
TMLHE	exon5	c.G757T	p.G253C,TMLHE	D	D	D
SKP1	exon4	c.G264T	p.W88C,SKP1	D	D	D
SAFB2	exon15	c.G2169T	p.Q723H	D	D	D
ETHE1	exon7	c.G743T	p.G248V	D	D	D
EBI3	exon5	c.C604A	p.Q202K	D	D	D
EP400	exon37	c.A6646C	p.T2216P	D	D	D
NRK	exon9	c.C725A	p.S242Y	D	D	D
BZRAP1	exon12	c.G1319T	p.R440L,BZRAP1	D	D	D
SEC14L4	exon9	c.C701A	p.P234H,SEC14L4	D	D	D
ISG20	exon3	c.C406T	p.R136C	D	D	D
CACNA1A	exon44	c.G6328T	p.G2110W,CACNA1A	D	D	D
SCFD2	exon2	c.G905T	p.G302V	D	D	D
PCDH19	exon2	c.G2458T	p.G820C,PCDH19	D	D	D
DDX17	exon6	c.G873T	p.L291F,DDX17	D	D	D
HECTD4	exon57	c.G8442T	p.Q2814H	D	D	D

AGAP1	exon16	c.C2012A	p.P671Q,AGAP1	D	D	D
NKIRAS2	exon3	c.C113T	p.T38M,NKIRAS2	D	D	D
STRN4	exon13	c.G1651T	p.G551W,STRN4	D	D	D
CTDSP2	exon4	c.C322A	p.L108I	D	D	D
PROS1	exon4	c.G283T	p.G95W	D	D	D
HERC2	exon28	c.G4309T	p.G1437C	D	D	D
CDC14A	exon4	c.G298T	p.G100C,CDC14A	D	D	D
ABHD5	exon5	c.C769A	p.P257T	D	D	D
CAPN5	exon2	c.A86C	p.D29A	D	D	D
YY1AP1	exon2	c.G263T	p.R88M,YY1AP1	D	D	D
HELZ2	exon2	c.G11T	p.W4L	D	D	D
TBPL1	exon7	c.C527A	p.P176Q,TBPL1	D	D	D
TRIM72	exon7	c.C1007A	p.A336E	D	D	D
TSSC1	exon9	c.C1078A	p.P360T	D	D	D
HMGA1	exon2	c.G36T	p.L12F,HMGA1	D	D	D
WAS	exon7	c.G641T	p.G214V	D	D	D
TRPV1	exon6	c.C1222A	p.P408T,TRPV1	D	D	D
PALLD	exon9	c.G1459T	p.V487F,PALLD	D	D	D
DBF4	exon12	c.C1841A	p.P614Q	D	D	D
PRDM4	exon11	c.G2009T	p.G670V	D	D	D
SLC4A5	exon16	c.G2185T	p.G729C,SLC4A5	D	D	D
UTP20	exon49	c.C6532A	p.H2178N	D	D	D
CHRNA1	exon6	c.G547T	p.D183Y,CHRNA1	D	D	D
OR2T8	exon1	c.C842A	p.P281H	D	D	D
APBA2	exon13	c.C2175A	p.F725L,APBA2	D	D	D
UBB	exon2	c.C337A	p.P113T,UBB	D	D	D
KCNH6	exon7	c.G1525T	p.G509W,KCNH6	D	D	D
FDFT1	exon3	c.C374A	p.P125Q,FDFT1	D	D	D
PATL2	exon12	c.G1208T	p.R403M	D	D	D

CDC25A	exon1	c.G166T	p.G56C,CDC25A	D	D	D
FYCO1	exon5	c.G311T	p.G104V	D	D	D
XPC	exon8	c.G920T	p.R307L	D	D	D
IL17RD	exon11	c.G1147T	p.D383Y	D	D	D
OTOG	exon29	c.A3703C	p.T1235P,OTOG	D	D	D
TXN	exon2	c.G56T	p.G19V,TXN	D	D	D
HUWE1	exon26	c.G2545T	p.D849Y	D	D	D
CTDSP2	exon1	c.G35T	p.R12M	D	D	D
SEC24A	exon6	c.C1148A	p.P383Q,SEC24A	D	D	D
TFR2	exon15	c.G1796T	p.S599I,TFR2	D	D	D
DHX40	exon13	c.G1525T	p.A509S,DHX40	D	D	D
CD6	exon12	c.G1877T	p.G626V	D	D	D
GRIN2C	exon13	c.C2645A	p.P882Q	D	D	D
GABPA	exon9	c.G1069A	p.A357T,GABPA	D	D	D
GLE1	exon15	c.C2000A	p.S667Y	D	D	D
UBE2S	exon3	c.G200T	p.G67V	D	D	D
COL13A1	exon21	c.G1134T	p.K378N,COL13A1	D	D	D
AIM1L	exon14	c.G4166T	p.C1389F	D	D	D
PROSER2	exon4	c.C1105T	p.R369C	D	D	D
RPS3	exon4	c.C110A	p.P37H,RPS3	D	D	D
TUBGCP6	exon13	c.G2223T	p.R741S	D	D	D
HS6ST2	exon4	c.G1004T	p.W335L,HS6ST2	D	D	D
WIPF3	exon3	c.C212A	p.P71Q	D	D	D
SEC16A	exon16	c.C5407G	p.Q1803E,SEC16A	D	D	D
TCEB2	exon3	c.G181A	p.G61S,TCEB2	D	D	D
FLNB	exon34	c.C5759A	p.A1920D,FLNB	D	D	D
GOLGA3	exon4	c.G518T	p.R173M,GOLGA3	D	D	D
PCDH15	exon7	c.G652T	p.V218F,PCDH15	D	D	D
SEMA4C	exon4	c.G266T	p.W89L	D	D	D

EXOC3L1	exon3	c.G71T	p.R24L	D	D	D
GGT5	exon3	c.G422T	p.G141V,GGT5	D	D	D
MYRF	exon3	c.G184T	p.G62W,MYRF	D	D	D
PRELID1	exon5	c.C578A	p.A193D,PRELID1	D	D	D
NDST3	exon5	c.C1286A	p.P429H	D	D	D
SYNE2	exon10 5	c.C19046 A	p.S6349Y,SYNE2	D	D	D
LTBP1	exon1	c.C220T	p.R74C	D	D	D
NPHS1	exon19	c.G2635T	p.G879W	D	D	D
RABEP2	exon5	c.G875T	p.W292L	D	D	D
L3MBTL4	exon14	c.G1147T	p.G383W	D	D	D
UNC80	exon23	c.C3641A	p.P1214H,UNC80	D	D	D
CDIPT	exon4	c.G304T	p.G102W,CDIPT	D	D	D
GABRA3	exon3	c.G253T	p.G85W	D	D	D
COL2A1	exon29	c.G1762T	p.G588C,COL2A1	D	D	D
CALR3	exon1	c.G89T	p.G30V	D	D	D
MMADHC	exon4	c.G226T	p.G76W	D	D	D
NPHP3	exon24	c.C3512A	p.P1171H	D	D	D
ACTL6A	exon1	c.G23T	p.G8V	D	D	D
VWA5A	exon14	c.C1636T	p.H546Y,VWA5A	D	D	D
SYNM				D	D	D
PRSS48	exon2	c.T86C	p.V29A	D	P	N
CAMSAP1	exon11	c.C2702T	p.A901V	D	P	N
ENDOV	exon2	c.C79T	p.H27Y,ENDOV	D	P	N
C12orf40	exon6	c.C530T	p.T177I	D	P	N
GPR25	exon1	c.G424T	p.V142L	D	P	N
KIR2DL4	exon3	c.C182G	p.T61R,KIR2DL4	D	P	N
WDR87	exon6	c.G3410A	p.R1137Q,WDR87	D	P	N
L1TD1	exon4	c.C1792G	p.H598D,L1TD1	D	P	N

KIR2DL1	exon6	c.G801C	p.W267C	D	P	N
MYO1A	exon24	c.G2534T	p.R845M,MYO1A	D	P	N
ZNF93	exon4	c.T556C	p.S186P	D	P	N
OPN1MW	exon5	c.C893A	p.P298H,OPN1MW2	D	P	N
NBPF12	exon9	c.G426T	p.Q142H	D	P	N
VEGFB	exon6	c.A458C	p.D153A,VEGFB	D	P	N
SHC2	exon1	c.C113T	p.A38V	D	P	N
MUC5B	exon8	c.C884A	p.P295H	D	P	N
SAFB2	exon21	c.A2848C	p.T950P	D	P	N
SLC20A2	exon7	c.G910T	p.G304C,SLC20A2	D	P	N
GGT1	exon5	c.C43A	p.L15M,GGT1	D	P	N
FAM153A	exon10	c.G365T	p.G122V	D	P	N
CNTN5	exon14	c.C1856T	p.P619L,CNTN5	D	P	D
RYR2	exon37	c.T5186C	p.M1729T	D	P	D
XIRP2	exon7	c.G8170C	p.E2724Q,XIRP2	D	P	D
SLC25A5	exon2	c.T244A	p.F82I	D	P	D
ASH2L	exon1	c.C143A	p.S48Y	D	P	D
FAM86B1	exon6	c.C751T	p.R251C	D	P	D
ATN1	exon5	c.C2227A	p.P743T,ATN1	D	P	D
ANTXR2	exon11	c.G896T	p.G299V,ANTXR2	D	P	D
XPC	exon9	c.T1271G	p.V424G	D	P	D
ARHGAP6	exon9	c.G1269T	p.M423I,ARHGAP6	D	P	D
BAI2	exon4	c.G124T	p.A42S,BAI2	D	P	D
RPL7A	exon3	c.C157A	p.R53S	D	P	D
AIFM1	exon4	c.G366T	p.K122N,AIFM1	D	P	D
PELP1	exon7	c.G929T	p.W310L,PELP1	D	P	D
SEMA6B	exon17	c.G1883T	p.R628L	D	P	D
PDLIM7	exon5	c.C352A	p.P118T,PDLIM7	D	P	D
TMEM129	exon3	c.G701T	p.G234V	D	P	D

ATP1A1	exon14	c.G1845T	p.M615I,ATP1A1	D	P	D
TLK2	exon17	c.G1732C	p.E578Q,TLK2	D	P	D
AGAP4	exon7	c.G1040T	p.G347V,AGAP4	D	P	D
MYH14	exon25	c.G3236T	p.G1079V,MYH14	D	P	D
RAB34	exon1	c.G32T	p.R11M,RAB34	D	P	.
DOCK9	exon1	c.C23A	p.P8H	.	B	D
RFFL	exon6	c.G910T	p.G304W	.	B	D
RGAG1	exon3	c.G1057A	p.A353T	.	D	N
TEX11	exon8	c.G538T	p.G180W,TEX11	.	D	N
WDR86	exon3	c.G487T	p.G163W,WDR86	.	D	N
MUC4	exon2	c.G11554T	p.G3852C	.	D	N
DLG5	exon23	c.G4463T	p.R1488M	.	D	N
OTUD7B	exon4	c.A466C	p.I156L	.	D	D
ANK2	exon30	c.C3443A	p.P1148Q,ANK2	.	D	D
KIAA0100	exon14	c.G1771T	p.G591C	.	D	D
NAV2	exon17	c.G2711T	p.S904I,NAV2	.	D	D
ADARB2	exon8	c.G1864T	p.G622C	.	D	D
MXD4	exon2	c.G164T	p.R55M	.	D	D
UGT2B7	exon6	c.G1455T	p.W485C	.	D	D
HSD3B2	exon3	c.G244T	p.A82S,HSD3B2	.	D	D
LRP2	exon8	c.C803A	p.P268Q	.	D	D
NRXN3	exon3	c.G13T	p.D5Y	.	D	D
GATA3	exon2	c.C182A	p.P61Q,GATA3	.	D	D
TENM4	exon13	c.G1735T	p.G579W	.	D	D
SIK1	exon7	c.G748T	p.D250Y	.	D	D
MUC4	exon2	c.C10976 G	p.T3659R	.	P	N
TELO2	exon13	c.C1562A	p.A521D	.	P	N
C16orf62	exon22	c.C2077G	p.L693V,C16orf62	.	P	D

PCBD1	exon2	c.G8A	p.G3D	.	P	D
SPICE1	exon8	c.G751T	p.A251S	.	P	D
MOCS1	exon1	c.G98T	p.G33V	.	P	D
TAGLN2	exon3	c.C346A	p.L116I,TAGLN2	.	P	D
CTAGE5	exon20	c.C1639A	p.L547I,CTAGE5	.	P	D

Appendix 4.3 - Variants Chosen for Sanger Sequencing and the Corresponding Primers

Gene	Chromosome	Protein change	Mutation type	Forward primer	Reverse primer	Tumour ID
INADL	chr1:62550277	p.1216_1216del,	nonframeshift deletion	GAACTGCTCCA CCGCCAA	GGAAATGACGCC ACAAAAGC	MESOD5
INADL	chr1:62393477	p.S1445L	nonsynonymous	TCCTGTCACAC ACACACGTA	AGCCTAGCAACT CACCTTGA	MESOEQ40
JMJD1C	chr10:64928295	p.T2241I	nonsynonymous	GAACAGGACCT AGAACACCCA	TGGCTTTTCTTT GCTCCACC	MESOD15
JMJD1C	chr10:64975401	p.D63V	nonsynonymous	GCGTCGTGATG TAATGCCAA	GGATCCCAAGCT GATTTCTAAAC	MESOEQ36
SETD2	chr3:47161908	p.1380_1406del,	frameshift deletion	TGTCCTGAAGC TCACCATCA	AAGGGGTCAGT GCAAGCA	MESOD26
SETD2	chr3:47059172	p.G2497fs	frameshift insertion	AGGTACACAGT TTGCCCAGA	ACAACCTCCTTGC CCTCTCTG	MESOEQ40
CACNA1B	chr9:140952590	p.Y613C,	nonsynonymous	TTAGGGCTGTC TCCTTTGGG	TCCACTGCAAGA CTCCACAG	MESOEQ21
CACNA1B	chr9:140938328	p.M1130T	nonsynonymous	CAAGCAGAGGG GAAGAAGGA	CTGGCTACTGAG ATCCCACG	MESOD15
RASGRP4	chr19:38910871	p.H137N,	nonsynonymous	CAGGGAAGAGG GGAGCAC	CCCCTAGCTCAG CACCTAG	MESOEQ21
STK4	chr20:43623864	p.G165E	nonsynonymous	ATACCATGGCC AAGCGGAAT	GTGCTGGGATTA CACGTGTG	MESOEQ40
FZD2	chr17:42636455	p.V467M	nonsynonymous	CACCATCATGA AGCACGACG	TGAGCGTCATGA GGTATTTGA	MESOEQ30
ASH1L	chr1:1554	p.V745I	nonsynonymous	GCAAGAGATGG	GCCTAAGTACTA	MESOEQ21

	50428		nymous	AGCTGTGGA	GTTTGCAGTCC	
SETD6	chr16:585 52374	p.V348 A,	nonsyno nymous	TTGTAGACTGG GTGGCAGAC	TCAGCTCCTCTT CAGTCAGC	MESOEQ36
SMYD 3	chr1:2460 78913	p.M55I,	nonsyno nymous	GGCAACGGAAA CAGTCACAT	ACGTGTGATCAT TTGGGTAGAG	MESOEQ30
DMAP 1	chr1:4468 0379	p.A68T	nonsyno nymous	ACCTGAAGTCT TTTGCTCCAG	GGAAGAACATTG CTCCGTCC	MESOEQ40
PHF21 A	chr11:459 55757	p.N556S	nonsyno nymous	ACAGGTTTGGA GAGGTCGAT	TGTTCTTAGGT GGTAGCCG	MESOEQ30
SETD1 B	chr12:122 242657	p.H5fs	frameshif t deletion	TTTCGCGTGTGT GTAGAAGC	CGGTACAGTTTA TGATGCCCC	MESOEQ30
CDH8	chr14:218 73555	p.N1040 fs	frameshif t deletion	TTGCGCAACTC CATCATTGT	TGAGAATGTTTCG CCCTCATCT	MESOEQ30
TBL1X R1	chr3:1767 69332	p.N129f s	frameshif t deletion	CTGCACATGTA CCCCGAATT	GATGCCGTAATG CCTGATGT	MESOEQ30
NF2	chr22:300 35190	p.76_76 del,	nonframe shift deletion	GTGTGTTTGTCT TTTGCTCTGC	ACTCCTGGGCAA GTTCTCTC	MESOEQ40
NF2	chr22:300 57302	p.R221 X,	stopgain SNV	GCTGTTCTTATT GGATCCACAGA	AGGGAAAGATCT GCTGGACC	MESOD14
BAP1	chr3:5244 0373	p.R227 C	nonsyno nymous	GCAGAGGCCAG GAAGAAAGG	GGGGCCTATACC TACAGCTG	MESOEQ22
BAP1	chr3:5243 6624	p.Q684 X,	stopgain SNV	CTCTCATGGCCC TCCCTG	GACCAGAGAAG GACCCACAA	MESOD13
BAP1	chr3:5244 1430	p.H141P ,	nonsyno nymous	AACAGAGTCAG GGCCCAAAA	CTGCTCTCTGAA GCTTTGCC	MESOD18
FLT3	chr13:286 23882	p.P258S	nonsyno nymous	ACCTCCTCGAG TGCTTTGTT	AGGATATCTTTTG TGATGAGGCA	MESOEQ30
GPHN	chr14:673 89394	p.76_76 del	nonsyno nymous	CGAAACAGTTT GATTGCCACC	CTGGTAGTAGGA GGAGGGGA	MESOEQ30

PRDM 16	chr16_1:3 321337	p.R307 C	nonsyno nymous	AGCTGTATGGTT GGGGTCC	GCAGTTTTTCACA TTCGAAGCG	MESOEQ30
RPL10	chrX:1536 26879	p.R7C	nonsyno nymous	GGTGAGTAAGC GCAGTTGTC	CGGGAGGTGTAA AACATAGGG	MESOEQ30
MN1	chr22:281 94730	p.P601L	nonsyno nymous	TACGGGGCAGC AGGTCTC	CGGCCCTCATGA TTAAGCAG	MESOEQ30

Appendix 4.4 - Genes Implicated in Cancer Identified in Discovery Cohort

Gene	Mutation types	Protein	Tumour ID (D)
AR	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P37Q	MESOEQ22
ATP1A1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.M615I,ATP1A1	MESOEQ22
BAP1	stopgain	p.E373X	MESOEQ22
CCDC6	stopgain	p.L265X	MESOEQ30
CHD8	frameshift deletion	p.N1040fs,CHD8	MESOEQ30
CLASP1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.G648W,CLASP1	MESOEQ22
CNTRL	nonsynonymous SNV	p.L935I	MESOEQ30
COL2A1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.G588C,COL2A1	MESOEQ22
CSF3R	stopgain	p.E24X,CSF3R	MESOEQ22
ELF4	nonsynonymous SNV	p.H405N,ELF4	MESOEQ22
ETV4	nonsynonymous SNV	p.G235W,ETV4	MESOEQ22
FAM118B	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P311Q	MESOEQ22
FANCD2	nonsynonymous SNV	p.E1153K,FANCD2	MESOEQ40
FLT3	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P258S	MESOEQ30
FOXK1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P211T	MESOEQ30
GATA3	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P61Q,GATA3	MESOEQ22
GNA11	nonsynonymous SNV	p.M7I	MESOEQ22
GPHN	nonsynonymous SNV	p.Q156H,GPHN	MESOEQ30
HMGA1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.L12F,HMGA1	MESOEQ22
HSP90AA1	stopgain	p.G168X,HSP90AA1	MESOEQ22
KDR	stopgain	p.G794X	MESOEQ22
KIAA1549	nonsynonymous SNV	p.G1278C,KIAA1549	MESOEQ22
KMT2A	nonsynonymous SNV	p.R420Q,KMT2A	MESOEQ30
MN1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P601L	MESOEQ30
MUC1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.W94C,MUC1	MESOEQ22

MYH11	nonsynonymous SNV	p.R273C,MYH11	MESOEQ22
NAB2	nonsynonymous SNV	p.F208L	MESOEQ36
NF2	nonframeshift deletion	p.76_76del,NF2	MESOEQ40
NF2	splicing		MESOEQ13
NOTCH1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.G2245W	MESOEQ22
PRDM16	nonsynonymous SNV	p.R307C,PRDM16	MESOEQ30
RNF213	nonsynonymous SNV	p.K1552T	MESOEQ30

Appendix 4.5 - Genes Implicated in Cancer Identified in Both Discovery and Validation cohorts

Gene	Mutation type	protein change	MESO D10	MESO D12	MESO D13	MESO D14	MESO D15	MESO D16	MESO D17	MESO D18	MESO D19	MESO D1	MESO D21	MESO D22	MESO D24	MESO D25	MESO D26	MESO D27	MESO D28	MESO D29	MESO D2	MESO D30	MESO D31	MESO D32	MESO D33	MESO D34	MESO D35	MESO D3	MESO D5	MESO D6	MESO D8
AR	frameshift deletion	p.Q60fs	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
AR	frameshift deletion	p.60 G3del	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
AR	nonframeshift deletion	p.57 G5del	0/0	0/5	0/4	0/0	2/3	0/4	0/6	0/5	0/0	0/0	0/0	4/5	0/0	3/3	3/3	6/6	6/6	0/0	4/5	2/3	0/0	2/4	1/6	0/3	0/0	0/0	2/3	2/2	2/2
AR	nonframeshift deletion	p.457 G60del	0/0	0/5	0/0	0/3	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/3	0/0	3/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/3	3/3	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/2
BAP1	frameshift deletion	p.56 G2del	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	frameshift deletion	p.R114fs	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	frameshift deletion	p.558 G60del	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	frameshift deletion	p.162 G62del	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	frameshift deletion	p.146 G47del	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	frameshift insertion	p.K658fs	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	nonframeshift deletion	p.659 G59del	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.H141P	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BAP1	stopgain SNV	p.Q684X	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
FOXK1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.T683P	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0
GATA3	nonsynonymous SNV	p.S407L GATA3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0
GNAI1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.S50R	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1
NAB2	nonsynonymous SNV	p.P504S	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NF2	frameshift deletion	p.A354fs.NF2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NF2	frameshift deletion	p.F35fs.NF2	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NF2	frameshift insertion	p.P129fs.NF2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NF2	stopgain SNV	p.R221X.NF2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NOTCH1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.T349P	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0
NOTCH1	nonsynonymous SNV	p.T194P	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0
RNF213	nonsynonymous SNV	p.L4696P	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0
RNF213	nonsynonymous SNV	p.D578N.RNF2	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
SETD2	frameshift deletion	p.1380 G40del	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
USP6	nonsynonymous SNV	p.167M	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1
USP6	nonsynonymous SNV	p.R68W	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/1