

Supplementary Table 2. Up- or down-regulated genes with fold change (Fc) $\geq + 2$ or $\leq - 2$ in the different cell populations; (-) no differences, $- 2 < Fc < + 2$.

| Gene | Fc AFCs vs. NPCs | Fc AFCs vs. EPCs | Fc EPCs vs. NPCs |
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| Chondrogenic/IVD/growth factors | | | |
| <i>A2M</i> | - 2.7 | - | - |
| <i>ABCG1</i> | 4.7 | 3.9 | 2.6 |
| <i>ACTC1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>ADGRD1</i> | 3.3 | 6.7 | - 2.2 |
| <i>AGT</i> | - 2.4 | - 2.2 | - |
| <i>AIPL1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>ANKRD1</i> | 11.4 | 4 | - |
| <i>AREG</i> | - | 2.5 | 3 |
| <i>BCAM</i> | - 2.3 | - | - |
| <i>A2M</i> | - 2.7 | - | - |
| <i>BMP5</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>BMPR1B</i> | 5.3 | 5.5 | - |
| <i>CD24</i> | - | - 2.2 | - |
| <i>CDH19</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>CDH2</i> | - | - 2.1 | - |
| <i>CLDN11</i> | - 4.2 | - | - 3.5 |
| <i>CLEC3A</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>COL10A1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>COL14A1</i> | - | - 2.1 | - |
| <i>COL2A1</i> | 3.2 | 8.4 | - 2.8 |
| <i>COL9A1</i> | 2.5 | - | 3 |
| <i>COL9A2</i> | - 2.3 | - | - |
| <i>COMP</i> | - 2.4 | - 2.4 | - |
| <i>CREB1</i> | 3.8 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CSF1R</i> | 2.2 | 4 | - |
| <i>DCN</i> | - | - 2.3 | - |
| <i>DDR1</i> | - 2.1 | - | - |
| <i>DSC2</i> | - | - 2.4 | - |
| <i>DUOX1</i> | - | 3 | - |
| <i>ELN</i> | 2.6 | - | - |
| <i>EPYC</i> | - 2.7 | - 3.0 | - |
| <i>FGF18</i> | 5.4 | 9.7 | - |
| <i>FGF6</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>FRZB</i> | - 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>FZD3</i> | 4.5 | - | - |
| <i>GABRB1</i> | - 2.5 | - 3.1 | - |
| <i>GCNT1</i> | 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>GDF2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>GDF3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |

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| <i>GDF6</i> | - | - 2.3 | - |
| <i>GLI2</i> | - | - 2.3 | - |
| <i>GPC3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>GSC</i> | - | 2.5 | - |
| <i>Icam1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.5 |
| <i>IGF1</i> | - | - 2.3 | - |
| <i>IGF2</i> | - | - 3.4 | 4.2 |
| <i>IGFBP5</i> | 2.5 | 3.8 | - |
| <i>KANK4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>KCNE3</i> | 3 | - | 3.4 |
| <i>KRT14</i> | 8.7 | 11.2 | - |
| <i>KRT19</i> | 2.4 | 3 | - |
| <i>LTA</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>MFAP4</i> | - | - 2.0 | - |
| <i>MFAP5</i> | 5.4 | 15.5 | - 2.9 |
| <i>MGP</i> | - 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>MSX2</i> | 2.7 | 6.5 | - 2.7 |
| <i>NCAM1</i> | - 2.6 | - 2.0 | - |
| <i>NETO2</i> | - 2.4 | - 3.0 | - |
| <i>NODAL</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>NOG</i> | - 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>NPTX2</i> | - | 2.2 | - |
| <i>NR3C2</i> | - 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>NRXN3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>NTF4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>PENK</i> | 5 | 5.8 | - |
| <i>PTHLH</i> | 2.8 | - | - |
| <i>PTN</i> | - | - 2.2 | - |
| <i>REEP1</i> | 2.8 | 4 | - |
| <i>RNF128</i> | - | - 3.3 | - |
| <i>S100A8</i> | - | - | 2.2 |
| <i>SFRP1</i> | - 2.0 | - | - |
| <i>SLC27A2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>STC1</i> | - 2.3 | - 3.6 | - |
| <i>SYT4</i> | - 2.2 | - | - 3.0 |
| <i>TEK</i> | 3 | 4 | - |
| <i>TFR2</i> | - 2.1 | - | - |
| <i>TMEM71</i> | 2.4 | 3.1 | - |
| <i>TNFSF10</i> | - | 2.6 | - 2.5 |
| <i>TNMD</i> | 2.5 | - | 3.1 |
| <i>TUBB1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>WNT11</i> | - 2.6 | - | - |
| Surface | | | |
| <i>C5AR1</i> | - 3.6 | - | - 2.2 |
| <i>CD163</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |

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| <i>CD1C</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CD22</i> | - 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>CD24</i> | - | - 2.2 | - |
| <i>CD28</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD38</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD3G</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD40LG</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD5</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CD69</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD74</i> | 2.9 | 2.3 | - |
| <i>CD80</i> | 2.3 | - | 3.4 |
| <i>CD86</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD8A</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CD96</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CR2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CSF1R</i> | 2.6 | 3.6 | - |
| <i>CTLA4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>ENG</i> | - | 2.1 | - |
| <i>FCER1A</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>HLA-DRA</i> | 7.5 | 3.8 | - |
| <i>IL12RB1</i> | 2.4 | - | 3.6 |
| <i>IL1R2</i> | 3.2 | - | - |
| <i>IL2RA</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>ITGA3</i> | - | - 2.1 | - |
| <i>KLRB1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>KLRC1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>MS4A1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>MYOCD</i> | - 2.5 | - 2.6 | - |
| <i>RETN</i> | - | - 4.8 | 3.9 |
| <i>S100A8</i> | - | - | 2.2 |
| <i>SELP</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>TPSAB1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>VCAM1</i> | - | - 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Stemness | | | |
| <i>A4GALT</i> | - | 2.1 | - |
| <i>ADAMTS8</i> | - | 2.5 | - |
| <i>ADGRG6</i> | - 2.1 | - | - |
| <i>ADRA2A</i> | - | - 2.7 | - |
| <i>ADRA2B</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>AIM2</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>AJAP1</i> | 2.5 | - | 3.1 |
| <i>ALAS2</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>ALOX15</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>AMBP</i> | - | - 3.0 | - |
| <i>ANK3</i> | 2.9 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>ANKRD18B</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |

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| <i>ANO2</i> | 3.4 | 3.4 | - |
| <i>ANXA3</i> | - | 2.2 | - |
| <i>AP3B2</i> | - | -2.4 | - |
| <i>ARHGAP25</i> | -3.0 | - | - |
| <i>ARHGEF16</i> | - | - | -2.5 |
| <i>ASB2</i> | -4.0 | - | - |
| <i>ASCL2</i> | 2.3 | - | 2.4 |
| <i>BCL11A</i> | - | - | 4.1 |
| <i>BRINP1</i> | - | -2.0 | - |
| <i>BST2</i> | 5.1 | 4.4 | - |
| <i>C1orf100</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.9 |
| <i>C4orf19</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>C8orf16</i> | - | - | -2.1 |
| <i>C9orf135</i> | 2.7 | - | 2.5 |
| <i>CA9</i> | - | -2.1 | - |
| <i>CACNA1H</i> | -2.9 | -3.4 | - |
| <i>CAMTA1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CCL26</i> | 2.5 | 3.6 | - |
| <i>CD24</i> | - | -2.2 | - |
| <i>CD86</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CDH26</i> | 2.8 | - | - |
| <i>CDH7</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CEBPA</i> | 2.4 | 2.4 | - |
| <i>CFTR</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>CHD7</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>CHP2</i> | 2.5 | - | 3.3 |
| <i>CHRM2</i> | -2.6 | -3.1 | - |
| <i>CHRM3</i> | - | - | 2.6 |
| <i>CHRNA3</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>CHRNA5</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CHRNA7</i> | - | -2.3 | - |
| <i>CHST4</i> | -2.2 | - | - |
| <i>CHST6</i> | 3.1 | 6.1 | - |
| <i>CNMD</i> | 2.8 | 2.2 | - |
| <i>CNTN6</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CNTNAP2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>COBL</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.9 |
| <i>CRABP1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CRYGD</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>CTSV</i> | 2.3 | - | - |
| <i>CXADR</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>CXCR2</i> | 2.4 | -2.9 | 2.4 |
| <i>CXCR4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>CYP2F1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>CYP4F8</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>DCX</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |

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| <i>DEF6</i> | - 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>DMRTA1</i> | - | - 2.4 | - |
| <i>DTX1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>DUOX1</i> | - | 2.9 | - |
| <i>EBI3</i> | 2.5 | - | 3.3 |
| <i>EFNA1</i> | - | - 2.6 | - |
| <i>ELF3</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>EPN3</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>EPO</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>ERC2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>ERG</i> | 2.9 | 8 | - 2.7 |
| <i>ESRP1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>ETNK2</i> | - 2.1 | - | - |
| <i>F11</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>FAM149A</i> | - | - | - 2.9 |
| <i>FAM20A</i> | 17.9 | 14.6 | - |
| <i>FBXO2</i> | - 2.1 | - | - |
| <i>FGFR3</i> | - 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>FOS</i> | - 2.1 | - 2.3 | - |
| <i>FOXG1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>FSTL4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>FXYD6</i> | - | - | - 2.3 |
| <i>FZD3</i> | 4.5 | - | - |
| <i>GABRB2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>GALNT3</i> | 2.2 | 3 | - |
| <i>GDF3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>GLDC</i> | 2.1 | 4.2 | - |
| <i>GNG4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>GPLD1</i> | - | - 2.5 | - |
| <i>GPM6B</i> | - 3.2 | - 3.1 | - |
| <i>GRB14</i> | - | - 2.4 | - |
| <i>GRB7</i> | 3.6 | - | - |
| <i>HHIP</i> | 15.2 | 5.8 | - |
| <i>HIST1H1A</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>HIST1H2AB</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>HOOK1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>HOXD13</i> | 2.6 | - | - |
| <i>HRASLS</i> | - 4.5 | - | - |
| <i>HTR1D</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>IGF2</i> | - | - 3.4 | - |
| <i>IGSF3</i> | - 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>IL23A</i> | - | - 2.6 | - |
| <i>INSM1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>ITGA9</i> | 2.6 | - | - |
| <i>KCNB1</i> | - | - 2.1 | - |
| <i>KCND2</i> | 3.1 | - | - |

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| <i>KCNK12</i> | 4 | - | -5.4 |
| <i>KCNN2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>KIT</i> | - | -2.1 | - |
| <i>L1TD1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>LCK</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>LRRC8B</i> | - | -2.8 | - |
| <i>LUZP2</i> | -2.1 | - | - |
| <i>MBD2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>MCAM</i> | -2.3 | -2.4 | - |
| <i>MIR4697HG</i> | -2.7 | -2.5 | - |
| <i>MTMR8</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>MYL4</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>MYL7</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>MYO7A</i> | 2.5 | - | 4.1 |
| <i>N4BP3</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>NAALAD2</i> | 2.5 | - | 3.4 |
| <i>NEFM</i> | -2.4 | - | - |
| <i>NELL2</i> | - | - | 4 |
| <i>NFE2L3</i> | -2.3 | - | - |
| <i>NODAL</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>NOS1AP</i> | 3 | - | - |
| <i>NPR1</i> | 2.2 | 2.2 | - |
| <i>NPY</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>NPY5R</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>NR2E3</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>NRXN3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>NTF4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>OGDHL</i> | -2.5 | -3.4 | - |
| <i>OTULINL</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>PADI2</i> | 3 | - | - |
| <i>PAH</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>PAK6</i> | -2.7 | - | - |
| <i>PDGFRL</i> | 2.4 | 2.7 | - |
| <i>PKP2</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>PODXL</i> | 4.6 | 9.5 | -2.1 |
| <i>PPP1R1A</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>PPP2R2B</i> | 2.2 | - | - |
| <i>PRDM13</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>PRKAR2B</i> | -2.2 | - | - |
| <i>PROM1</i> | 2.6 | - | - |
| <i>PTCH1</i> | -3.8 | - | - |
| <i>PTGIS</i> | 5.5 | 5.1 | - |
| <i>PTPRC</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>PYGM</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>RAI2</i> | 4 | 3.6 | - |
| <i>RAP1GAP2</i> | -2.6 | - | - |

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| <i>RASGRP2</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>RBFOX1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>RHO</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>RHOJ</i> | - | 2.3 | - |
| <i>RIPOR2</i> | 3.5 | - | - |
| <i>RLN1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>RLN2</i> | 3 | - | - |
| <i>ROR2</i> | 2.1 | 3.2 | - |
| <i>RPRM</i> | 3.7 | 18.3 | -5 |
| <i>RTN4R</i> | -3.1 | - | - |
| <i>SARDH</i> | -2.1 | - | - |
| <i>SCN4A</i> | - | 2.7 | -2.4 |
| <i>SCT</i> | - | - | -2.8 |
| <i>SFRP2</i> | 3.6 | 6 | - |
| <i>SHROOM2</i> | - | -2.9 | - |
| <i>SLC15A1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.5 |
| <i>SLC1A6</i> | 2.3 | - | - |
| <i>SLC27A6</i> | -5.7 | -3.3 | - |
| <i>SLCO1B1</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>SNTG2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>SORBS1</i> | 2.2 | 2.8 | - |
| <i>SORCS3</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>SOX11</i> | -2.5 | -3.3 | - |
| <i>SOX8</i> | - | 2.9 | - |
| <i>SPARCL1</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.7 |
| <i>SPTB</i> | -2.6 | - | - |
| <i>SRPK3</i> | -2.1 | - | - |
| <i>SSTR2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>STMN3</i> | - | 4.3 | -2.4 |
| <i>STXBP6</i> | - | -2.1 | - |
| <i>TCF15</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>TEK</i> | 3 | 3.5 | - |
| <i>TESMIN</i> | -3.3 | - | - |
| <i>TMCC3</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>TNNI3</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>TRIM36</i> | 2.4 | - | - |
| <i>TRIM49</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| <i>TTYH1</i> | 2.6 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>UGT2B11</i> | 2.3 | - | - |
| <i>WNK2</i> | 2.5 | - | - |
| Senescence | | | |
| <i>NOX4</i> | 2.5 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>SERPINB2</i> | 2.4 | - | 2.6 |
| <i>TP63</i> | 4.5 | 4.1 | - |
| <i>ALDH1A3</i> | - | 2.3 | - |
| <i>TBX2</i> | -2.4 | -2.2 | - |

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| <i>TERT</i> | - 2.3 | - 3.8 | - |
| <i>SPARC</i> | - | - 2.4 | - |

