

Supplemental Table 1 – List of proteins selectively enriched in exosomes (Exos) and shed microvesicles (sMVs).

	Category	Gene Name^D	Protein Description^D
Enriched proteins in Exos^A	ESCRTs	TSG101*	Tumor susceptibility gene 101
		VPS37B	Vacuolar protein sorting-associated protein 37B
		CHMP2A	Charged multivesicular body protein 2a
	ESCRT accessory	PDCD6IP/Alix	Programmed cell death 6 interacting protein
	Tetraspanins	CD63*	CD63 antigen
		CD82	CD82 antigen
		CD151	CD151 antigen
		TSPAN3*	Tetraspanin-3
		TSPN6*	Tetraspanin-6
	RNA binding proteins	RPL13	60S ribosomal protein L13
		RPL26	60S ribosomal protein L26
		RPS25	40S ribosomal protein S25
		RPS4Y1	40S ribosomal protein S4, Y isoform 1
		RPS4Y2	40S ribosomal protein S4, Y isoform 2
	Cargo selection	NEDD4	E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase NEDD4
		NEDD4L	E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase NEDD4-like
	Trafficking / sorting	SDCBP	Syndecan-binding protein 1
		ARRDC1	Arrestin domain-containing protein 1
		RAB1B	Ras-related protein Rab-1B
		RAB5A	Ras-related protein Rab-5A
		RAB5B	Ras-related protein Rab-5B
		RAB8A	Ras-related protein Rab-8A
		RAB11A	Ras-related protein Rab-11A
		RAB11B	Ras-related protein Rab-11B
	Integral membrane proteins	ITGAV	Integrin alpha-V
		ADAM10*	Disintegrin and metalloproteinase domain-containing protein 10
		IGSF8	Immunoglobulin superfamily member 8 (CD81 partner 3)
		EPHB3	Ephrin type-B receptor 3
	GPI-anchor	GPC1	Glycan-1
Enriched proteins in sMVs^B	RNA binding proteins	HNRNPH1*	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein H
		HNRNPL*	heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein L
		PABPC1	Polyadenylate-binding protein 1
		CALR	Calreticulin
		CPNE3	CPNE3 protein
	ABC transporters	ABCE1	ATP-binding cassette sub-family E member 1
	Mitochondrial proteins	VDAC1*	voltage-dependent anion channel 1
		VDAC2*	Voltage-dependent anion-selective channel protein 2
		PHB2*	Prohibitin-2
		PDIA4*	Protein disulfide-isomerase A4
		ATP5O*	ATP synthase subunit O, mitochondrial
		SLC25A3*	Phosphate carrier protein, mitochondrial
	Integral membrane proteins	CKAP4	Cytoskeleton-associated protein 4
	Cytoskeleton / microtubule	MYO1D	Unconventional myosin-IId
		MYO6	Unconventional myosin-IId
		FLNB	Filamin-B
		RACGAP1*	Rac GTPase activating protein 1
		KIF23*	Kinesin-like protein KIF23
		TPM3	Tropomyosin alpha-3 chain
	Enzymes	AARS	Alanine-tRNA ligase, cytoplasmic
		ATIC	Bifunctional purine biosynthesis protein PURH
		ATP5A1	ATP synthase subunit alpha
		ERO1L	ERO1-like protein alpha
		GNB2	Guanine nucleotide-binding protein G(I)/G(S)/G(T) subunit beta-2
	Chaperones	CSE1L	Exportin-2
Commonly	ESCRTs	VPS28	Vacuolar protein sorting-associated protein 28
	ESCRT accessory	VPS4B	Vacuolar protein sorting-associated protein 4B

identified proteins in Exos and sMVs ^c	Tetraspanins	CD9	CD9 antigen
		CD81	CD81 antigen
		TSPAN8	Tetraspanin-8
	RNA binding proteins	HNRNPC	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoproteins C
		HNRNPE1	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein E1
		HNRNPE2	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein E2
		HNRNPD	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein D0
		HNRNPK	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein K
		HNRNPA2B1	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoproteins A2/B1
		ANXA2	Annexin A2
		EEF2	Elongation factor 2
	ABC transporters	ABCB1	Multidrug resistance protein 1
		ABCG2	ATP-binding cassette sub-family G member 2
	Mitochondrial proteins	GLUD1	Glutamate dehydrogenase 1
	Trafficking / sorting	RAB21	Ras-related protein Rab-21
		RAB14	Ras-related protein Rab-14
		RAB15	Ras-related protein Rab-15
		RAB1A	Ras-related protein Rab-1A
		RAB35	Ras-related protein Rab-35
		RAB43	Ras-related protein Rab-43
		RAB13	Ras-related protein Rab-13
		RAB8B	Ras-related protein Rab-8B
	FLOT2	Flotillin-2	
	CD44	CD44 antigen	
	Integral membrane proteins	FASN	Fatty acid synthase
		EMMPRIN	Extracellular matrix metalloproteinase inducer
		ITGA2	Integrin alpha-2
		EPHB1	Ephrin type-B receptor 1
		EPHA2	Ephrin type-A receptor 2
		EPHB2	Ephrin type-B receptor 2
		EPHB4	Ephrin type-B receptor 4
		EPHA6	Ephrin type-A receptor 6
		EPHA7	Ephrin type-A receptor 7
	Cytoskeleton / microtubule	MYH9	Myosin-9
		MYH14	Myosin-14
		ACTB	Actin, cytoplasmic 1
		TUBB2C	Tubulin beta-2C chain
		TUBB	Tubulin, beta
		TUBA1B	Tubulin alpha-1B chain
		EZR	Ezrin
		IQGAP1	Ras GTPase-activating-like protein
	Heat shock proteins	HSP90AA1	Heat shock protein HSP 90-alpha
		HSP90AB1	Heat shock protein HSP 90-beta
		HSPA8	Heat shock 70 kDa protein 8
	Enzymes	GAPDH	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase
		ACLY	ATP-citrate synthase
		ENO1	Alpha-enolase
	Chaperones	YWHAE	14-3-3 protein epsilon
		YWHAZ	14-3-3 protein zeta

A Exos enriched: protein selection category based on references: [1-8]. Raw mass spectrometry data is deposited in the PeptideAtlas and can be accessed at <http://www.peptideatlas.org/PASS/PASS00749>

B sMV enriched: protein selection category based on references [1,6]. Raw mass spectrometry data is deposited in the PeptideAtlas and can be accessed at <http://www.peptideatlas.org/PASS/PASS00749>

C Co-Exos and sMV enriched: protein selection category based on references: [1-8]

D Identified gene and protein information can be obtained from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene> and www.uniprot.com

* Proteins that we consider specific markers for Exos and sMVs (based on unique/predominant expression in purified EV types)

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Supplemental Table 2 – Selected list of EV studies on biofluids.

Biofluid type	Disease (and patient cohort)	EV isolation method ^A	Biofluid volume/ EV particle concentration	EV validation	EV type (reported in study)	EV selection marker	Reference
Plasma	Pancreatic cancer (n=8)	DC	NT μ l, Patient ~0.035 pg MIF /10 ⁸ Control~ 0.005 pg MIF / 10 ⁸	Size: 100 nm (TEM/NTA) MS: Alix, TSG101, CD63, CD81	Exos	MIF	[1]
	Breast cancer (n=50)	DC	NT μ l Patient 750 / μ l Control 300/ μ l	WB: CD9, Flotillin-2, MHC-I	sMVs	FAK, EGFR	[2]
	Melanoma (n= 36)	1.2 μ m, DC, 40% sucrose cushion (DGC)	NT μ l Patient 0.0018 μ g/ 10 ⁸ Control 0.0004 μ g/ 10 ⁸	Size : 100 nm (TEM) WB: GAPDH	Exos	TYRP2, VLA-4, HSP70, MET	[3]
	Glioblastomas (n=30)	0.8 μ m, 0.20 μ m, DC, μ NMR		Size: 100 nm (TEM) CD63	Exos	EGFR, EGFR vIII,	[4]
	Ovarian cancer (n=22)	0.22 μ m, DC	300 μ l	Size: 100 nm (SEM) WB: LAMP-1	Exos	MAGE 3/6, TGF- β 1	[5]
	Ovarian cancer (n=63)	DC	200 μ l	Size: 100 nm (TEM) Density: 1.18 g/mL	Exos	CLDN4	[6]
	Lung cancer (n=10)	ExoQuick	500 μ l		Exos	miR-378a, miR-379, miR-139-5p, miR-200b-5p	[7]
	Gastric cancer (n= 37)	DC		Size: 10-800 nm (TEM, AFM, DLS) FACS: Her-2/neu ⁺ MV	sMVs	Her-2/neu ⁺ MV mRNA MAGE-1 and Her-2	[8]
	Gastric cancer (n= 10)	Total Exosomes isolation reagent	300 μ l	Size: 100 nm (TEM)	Exos	LINC00152	[9]
	Gastric cancer	ExoQuick	400 μ l	qRT-PCR, FISH	Exos	miR-185, miR-20a,	[10]

	(n= 133)					miR-210, miR-25, miR-92b	
	Leukaemia (n= 16)	0.22 μ m, DC, SEC	9 mL Patient: 5×10^{13} particles/mL Patient: ~55 μ g/mL Control: ~20 μ g/mL	WB: CD81, TGF- β 1 Density: ~1.18 g/mL Size: 100 nm (TEM, NTA) ELISA: TGF- β 1	Exos	Exosomal TGF- β 1	[11]
	Healthy volunteers (n=57)	Filtration	0.5 mL	FACS (PS, CD63) TEM (sMVs 100-1000 nm; Exos ~100 nm) ELISA (TGF- β)	Exos/sMVs	CD63 are enriched in exos compared with sMVs	[12]
Serum	Pancreatic cancer (n=190)	0.2 μ m filter, DC	250 μ L, Patient $\sim 2.5 \times 10^9$ Control $\sim 2.1 \times 10^9$	FACS: GPC1+ Exos TEM: GPC1+ Exos/ CD9+ Exos WB Flotilin 1 Size: 100 nm Density: 1.19 g/mL	Exos	GPC1	[13]
	CHB (n=20), LC (n=20), HCC (n=20)	Exoquick (120 μ L)	500 μ L Serum	WB: CD63, CD9	Exos	High in HCC: miR- 18a, miR-221, miR- 222 and miR-224 Low in HCC: miR- 101, miR-106b, miR- 122 and miR-195	[14]
	Breast cancer (n=96)	DC, DGC	3-6 mL serum Patient ~20 μ g/mL Control ~5 μ g/mL	WB: ADAM10, CD9, CD24 Size: 100 nm (TEM)	Exos	CD24	[15]
	Pancreatic cancer (n=131)	DC, DGC	1-1.5 mL	FACS: CD9, CD63	Exos	CD44v6,Tspan8, EpCAM, MET, CD104, miR-1246, miR-4644, miR3976, miR-4306	[16]
	Pancreatic cancer (n=4)	0.2 μ m filter, DC	500 μ l	Size: 100 nm (NTA and TEM) FACS: CD9, TSG101, CD63 WB: TSG101, CD63	Exos	Mutated KRAS and <i>p53</i> DNA	[17]
	Pancreatic cancer (n=5)	Microfluidic (ExoChip)	400 μ l	WB: CD63, Rab5 Size:30-300 nm (TEM)	Exos	CD63, Rab5, miRNAs profiles	[18]
	Breast cancer (n=11)	0.2 μ m filter, DC	500 μ l Patient $\sim 0.5 \times 10^9$	Size: 100 nm (TEM, AFM, LLS, NTA)	Exos	Dicer,miR	[19]

			Control $\sim 0.2 \times 10^9$	WB: TSG101, CD9, CD63			
	Breast cancer (n=168)	ExoQuick	400 μ l	WB: CD63, Mucin1, GAPDH	Exos	miR-101, miR-372, miR-373	[20]
	Melanoma (n=21)	ExoQuick	200 μ l	WB: CD63	Exos	miR-125b	[21]
	Hepatocellular carcinoma (n=30)	Total Exosomes isolation reagent		Size: 100 nm (TEM) WB: CD63, TSG101	Exos	miR-21	[22]
	Ovarian cancer (n=30)	DC		Size: 264-410 nm (TEM, NTA) WB: VAMP3/ARF6	sMVs	VAMP3 ARF6 MT1-MMP	[23]
	Glioblastomas (n=30)	0.22 μ m + DC	Serum	Size: 50-500 nm (TEM)	sMVs	mRNA EGFRvIII, miR-21	[24]
Ascites	Ovarian cancer (n=20), non-cancer (n=10)	0.22 μ m + nPLEX	Ascites ($> 10^9$ exosomes per mL)	Size: \sim 100 nm (TEM)	Exos	EPCAM, CD24	[25]
	Breast cancer Ovarian cancer Lung cancer	DC + sucrose cushion		WB: ADAM 10, CD9 Size: 100 nm (TEM)	Exos	CD24/EPCAM in Ovarian carcinoma	[15]
Malignant pleural effusion	Various cancers (Breast cancer, lung cancer, Ovarian)	DC, DGC		Size: 100 nm (TEM)	Exos	50 proteins identified including MHC-I, actin, G protein, HSP90, BTG1, Bamacan, PEDF, BTG-1, TSG14 and TSP2	[26]
	Various cancers (lung cancer, breast cancer, ovarian, melanoma, mesothelioma)	DC, DGC		Size: 100 nm (TEM), TEM (MHC-I and -II, TRP, gp100 and CD81), WB: (MHC-I and -II, MART-1, HER2 and HSC70)	Exos	MART-1, TRP, gp100 and HER2	[27]
Urine	Healthy individuals (n=4)	DC; 0.22 μ m + DC; DC + sucrose cushion;	250 mL $\sim 200 \times 10^{-6}$ mL CD9 ⁺ Exos	1D-SDS-PAGE: THP WB: Alix, TSG101, RT-PCR: (miR-1207-5p, miR-192, mRNA AQP2, TSG101 and Alix)	Exos	mRNA AQP2, miR-1207-5p, miR-192	[28]

	membrane filtration; ExoQuick						
BPH (n=5) PCa (n=5) Metastatic PCa (n=3)	DC	5 mL	WB: Alix, ITGA3, ITGB1	Exos	ITGA3	[29]	

A DC; differential ultracentrifugation, DGC; density-gradient fractionation, SEC; size exclusion chromatography, Exos; exosome, sMVs; shed microvesicles, TEM; transmission electron microscopy, SEM; scanning electron microscopy, WB; western blotting, NTA; nanoparticle trafficking analysis, AFM; atomic force microscopy, MS; mass spectrometry, qRT-PCR; quantitative real-time polymerase chain reaction, FISH; fluorescence in situ hybridization, DLS; dynamic light scatter, ELISA; enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay, FACS; fluorescence-activated cell sorting, THP; tamm-horsfall protein, BPH; benign prostate hyperplasia, PCa; prostate cancer, CHB; chronic hepatitis B, LC; liver cirrhosis, HCC; hepatocellular carcinoma, nPLEX, nanoplasmomic exosomes sensor.

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