

# Reaffirmation of Mechanistic Proteomic Signatures Accompanying SGLT2 Inhibition in Patients With Heart Failure: a Validation Cohort of the EMPEROR Program

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**Supplementary Methods 1.  
Methodology of Sampling for Biobanking in the EMPEROR-Reduced and  
EMPEROR-Preserved Trials.**

**1. Organizational principles of sampling for biobanking in EMPEROR trials.**

Participation in biobanking sampling (including DNA) was voluntary and not a prerequisite for trial participation. Biobanking samples were taken only after separate ICF had been given in accordance with local ethical and regulatory requirements. Measures were in place to comply with the rules for the collection, biobanking and future use of biological samples and clinical data, in particular

- Sample and data usage in accordance with the separate biobanking ICF.
- The BI-internal facilities storing biological samples from clinical trial participants as well as the external banking facility are qualified for the storage of biological samples.
- An appropriate sample and data management system, incl. audit trail for clinical data and samples to identify and destroy such samples according to ICF in place
- A fit for the purpose documentation required (biomarker proposal, analysis plan and report) to ensure compliant usage
- A fit for purpose approach for assay/equipment validation required depending on the intended use of the biomarker data
- Possibility of samples and/or data transfer to third parties and other countries is specified in the biobanking ICF

**2. Countries participating in biobanking in EMPEROR trials**

EMPEROR-Reduced	EMPEROR-Preserved
Argentina, Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, United Kingdom, United States	Argentina, Australia, Canada, Colombia, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, United Kingdom, United States
Countries not participating in biobanking	
Belgium, Brazil, China	Belgium, Brazil, China

**3. Timing and methodology of sampling**

Sampling for Biobanking in EMPEROR-Reduced and EMPEROR-Preserved trials was performed at the following timepoints, specified by the clinical trial protocols:

DNA: preferably at visit 2 (randomization); plasma, serum and urine banking: visit 2 (randomization), visit 4 (week 12), visit 8 (week 52)

DNA banking: ≈8.5 mL blood were drawn into a PAXgene Blood DNA Tube

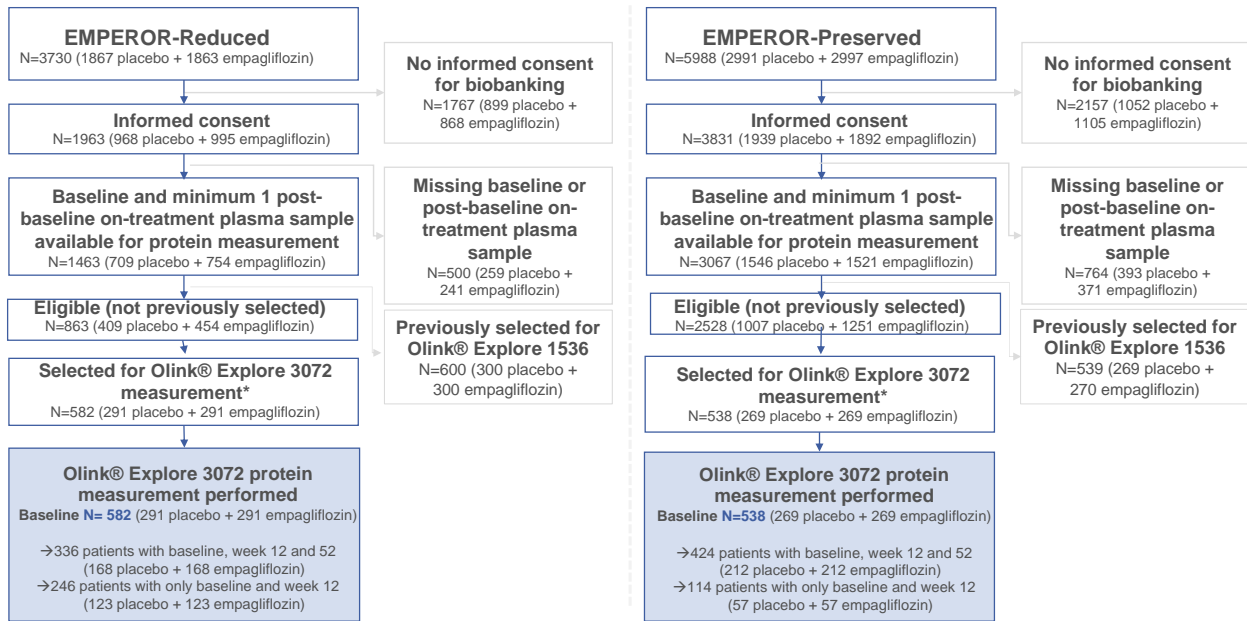
Plasma banking: ≈10 mL blood were drawn into an EDTA blood collection tube.

Serum banking: ≈8.5mL blood were drawn into a serum separation tube.

Urine banking: ≈10 mL urine (preferably morning mid-stream urine) were collected.

For all biological samples collected, detailed instructions on sampling, preparation, processing, shipment and storage were provided in the laboratory manual. Plasma, serum and urine samples have been being stored at an external biobanking facility contracted by the Sponsor; DNA, extracted from the original whole blood sample, has been being stored at the Sponsor.

## Supplementary Methods 2. Consort Diagram for Olink® Explore 3072 Measurements



\*Random sampling stratified by treatment and availability of data.

**Supplementary Table S1.**  
**Baseline Characteristics of Patients in Discovery Cohort 1 and in Validation Cohort 2**  
**(EMPEROR-Reduced and EMPEROR-Preserved Combined)**

	<b>Discovery Cohort 1</b> Olink® Explore 1536 (n=1134)	<b>Validation Cohort 2</b> Olink® Explore 3072 (n=1120)	<b>P Value</b>
Age (years)	70.0 ± 10.0	70.2 ± 9.7	0.62
Women — number (%)	361 (31.8)	350 (31.3)	0.77
Race — number (%)			
White	958 (84.5)	956 (85.4)	0.92
Black	24 (2.1)	25 (2.2)	
Asian	96 (8.5)	88 (7.9)	
Other	45 (4.0)	41 (3.7)	
Region — number (%)			
North America	154 (13.6)	119 (10.6)	0.11
Latin America	217 (19.1)	210 (18.8)	
Europe	642 (56.6)	686 (61.3)	
Asia	86 (7.6)	79 (7.1)	
Other	35 (3.1)	26 (2.3)	
NYHA functional classification — number (%)			
Class I	0	1 (0.1)	0.61
Class II	910 (80.2)	884 (78.9)	
Class III	221 (19.5)	233 (20.8)	
Class IV	3 (0.3)	2 (0.2)	
Body mass index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	29.3 ± 5.6	29.6 ± 5.5	0.36
Heart rate (beats/min)	70.5 ± 11.8	70.8 ± 12.0	0.48
Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)	128.0 ± 15.7	128.5 ± 16.2	0.47
Left ventricular ejection fraction (%)	40.1 ± 15.0	40.1 ± 14.9	1.00
Median NT-proBNP (IQR), pg/mL	1383 (710, 2483)	1331 (713, 2461)	0.51
Etiology of heart failure — number (%)			
Ischemic	506 (44.6)	540 (48.2)	0.09
Nonischemic	628 (55.4)	580 (51.8)	
Cardiovascular history — number (%)			
Hospitalization for heart failure within 12 months	299 (26.4)	301 (26.9)	0.79
Atrial fibrillation	530 (46.7)	519 (46.3)	0.79
Diabetes mellitus	548 (48.3)	568 (50.7)	0.26
Hypertension	941 (83.0)	949 (84.7)	0.26
Estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR)			
Mean (mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	60.5 ± 20.4	61.6 ± 19.8	0.20
Number (%) with eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	579 (51.1)	540 (48.2)	0.18

Plus-minus values are means ± SD. Race was self-reported; patients who identified with >1 race or with no race were classified as other. The body-mass index is the weight in kilograms divided by the square of the height in meters. Atrial fibrillation refers to any reports from any ECG before treatment intake or history of atrial fibrillation reported in medical history. eGFR was calculated based on data from subjects with valid eGFR measurements. For NTproBNP based on log-transformed results. P values based on t-test for continuous variables and chi-square test for categorical variables. Abbreviations: NYHA, New York Heart Association; NT-proBNP, N-terminal pro brain natriuretic peptide; IQR, interquartile range; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate.

**Supplementary Table S2.**

**Listing of 117 Proteins With  $\geq 10\%$  Between-Group Difference With  $FDRq < 1\%$ , Adjusted for Change in eGFR, in Validation Cohort 2**

Protein	Uniprot ID	Empagliflozin vs placebo [log <sub>2</sub> fold change]	95% CI lower bound	95% CI higher bound	FDRq
Alpha-synuclein	P37840	0.4497	0.2140	0.6853	0.20%
ATPase inhibitor, mitochondrial	Q9UII2	0.3093	0.1266	0.4920	0.60%
Retinol-binding protein 2	P50120	0.2997	0.2085	0.3908	<0.01%
IST homolog associated with ESCRT-III	P53990	0.2808	0.1119	0.4497	0.70%
Tubulin-specific chaperone A	O75347	0.2697	0.1152	0.4242	0.47%
DnaJ homolog subfamily C member 9	Q8WXX5	0.2585	0.1065	0.4105	0.58%
Cystatin-SN	P01037	0.2584	0.1589	0.3578	<0.01%
DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 1	P25685	0.2562	0.0952	0.4171	0.98%
C-C motif chemokine 5	P13501	0.2541	0.0972	0.4111	0.85%
Fatty acid-binding protein, liver	P07148	0.2496	0.1368	0.3623	0.03%
Creatine kinase U-type, mitochondrial	P12532	0.2490	0.1237	0.3744	0.13%
Uncharacterized protein C9orf40	Q8IXQ3	0.2421	0.1070	0.3773	0.38%
Ubiquitin thioesterase OTU1	Q5VVQ6	0.2399	0.1156	0.3642	0.18%
C-C motif chemokine 28	Q9NRJ3	0.2344	0.1416	0.3272	<0.01%
Chromogranin-A	P10645	0.2307	0.1255	0.3358	0.04%
Acylphosphatase-1	P07311	0.2304	0.1126	0.3483	0.17%
Hsc70-interacting protein	P50502	0.2301	0.1107	0.3495	0.19%
Fatty acid-binding protein, heart	P05413	0.2278	0.1467	0.3088	<0.01%
Fatty acid-binding protein 5	Q01469	0.2267	0.1225	0.3309	0.04%
Insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 1	P08833	0.2213	0.0851	0.3575	0.83%
Carbonic anhydrase 2	P00918	0.2204	0.0891	0.3516	0.65%
Immunoglobulin-binding protein 1	P78318	0.2202	0.0968	0.3436	0.39%
Transferrin receptor protein 1	P02786	0.2195	0.1595	0.2795	<0.01%
Myeloid-derived growth factor	Q969H8	0.2167	0.0861	0.3473	0.71%
Erythroid membrane-associated protein	Q96PL5	0.2126	0.1492	0.2761	<0.01%
Erythropoietin	P01588	0.2099	0.0945	0.3253	0.33%
Uroporphyrinogen decarboxylase	P06132	0.2085	0.0800	0.3369	0.84%
Gastrotropin	P51161	0.2065	0.1201	0.2928	0.01%
BolA-like protein 2	Q9H3K6	0.2015	0.0928	0.3102	0.27%
Oncostatin-M	P13725	0.2004	0.0827	0.3182	0.58%
UBX domain-containing protein 1	Q04323	0.2004	0.0789	0.3220	0.75%
Thymosin beta-10	P63313	0.1983	0.0844	0.3122	0.48%
Osteocalcin	P02818	0.1978	0.0899	0.3057	0.30%
Serine protease inhibitor Kazal-type 4	O60575	0.1977	0.1325	0.2629	<0.01%
Anaphase-promoting complex subunit CDC26	Q8NHZ8	0.1967	0.0996	0.2938	0.11%
Appetite-regulating hormone	Q9UBU3	0.1966	0.1062	0.2869	0.04%
Carcinoembryonic antigen-related cell adhesion molecule 8	P31997	0.1936	0.1016	0.2855	0.06%
C-X-C motif chemokine 6	P80162	0.1909	0.0834	0.2984	0.40%
Pepsin A-4	P0DJJD7	0.1882	0.1039	0.2724	0.03%
DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 2	P25686	0.1878	0.0793	0.2964	0.50%
DnaJ homolog subfamily A member 4	Q8WW22	0.1877	0.0820	0.2935	0.40%
Uromodulin	P07911	0.1877	0.1385	0.2369	<0.01%
Putative peptidyl-tRNA hydrolase PTRHD1	Q6GMV3	0.1873	0.0739	0.3008	0.73%
AMP deaminase 3	Q01432	0.1823	0.0774	0.2873	0.48%

Trefoil factor 1	P04155	0.1821	0.1107	0.2536	<0.01%
Sorting nexin-15	Q9NRS6	0.1810	0.0856	0.2763	0.21%
Programmed cell death protein 5	O14737	0.1807	0.0872	0.2742	0.18%
Cell surface A33 antigen	Q99795	0.1806	0.0709	0.2904	0.76%
Ribonuclease 4	P34096	0.1805	0.1186	0.2423	<0.01%
Beta-crystallin B1	P53674	0.1741	0.0865	0.2617	0.13%
Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 1	Q02750	0.1738	0.0812	0.2665	0.24%
Bone marrow proteoglycan	P13727	0.1718	0.1097	0.2339	<0.01%
Proteinase-activated receptor 1	P25116	0.1716	0.0807	0.2625	0.23%
Kynurenine--oxoglutarate transaminase 1	Q16773	0.1708	0.0633	0.2782	0.99%
Ficolin-1	O00602	0.1696	0.0897	0.2495	0.06%
Promotilin	P12872	0.1695	0.0880	0.2510	0.07%
Mitochondrial import receptor subunit TOM20 homolog	Q15388	0.1694	0.0631	0.2757	0.97%
Nucleosome assembly protein 1-like 4	Q99733	0.1686	0.0720	0.2653	0.47%
Acyl-CoA-binding protein	P07108	0.1674	0.0729	0.2619	0.41%
Serine protease inhibitor Kazal-type 1	P00995	0.1664	0.1167	0.2161	<0.01%
Lithostathine-1-alpha	P05451	0.1660	0.0925	0.2395	0.02%
NADH dehydrogenase [ubiquinone] iron-sulfur protein 6, mitochondrial	O75380	0.1659	0.0656	0.2663	0.73%
Regenerating islet-derived protein 3-alpha	Q06141	0.1655	0.0965	0.2345	0.01%
V-set and immunoglobulin domain-containing protein 2	Q96IQ7	0.1653	0.0971	0.2335	0.01%
Retinoid-binding protein 7	Q96R05	0.1649	0.0829	0.2469	0.12%
Dickkopf-related protein 4	Q9UBT3	0.1646	0.0989	0.2303	<0.01%
Complement factor H-related protein 5	Q9BXR6	0.1644	0.0946	0.2342	0.01%
Matrix metalloproteinase-9	P14780	0.1643	0.0706	0.2579	0.45%
Renin	P00797	0.1642	0.0748	0.2537	0.30%
2'-deoxynucleoside 5'-phosphate N-hydrolase 1	O43598	0.1622	0.0629	0.2614	0.80%
TP53-regulated inhibitor of apoptosis 1	O43715	0.1616	0.0707	0.2526	0.40%
Protein S100-G	P29377	0.1611	0.0948	0.2274	0.01%
Serine protease inhibitor Kazal-type 2	P20155	0.1608	0.1050	0.2165	<0.01%
Fatty acid-binding protein, adipocyte	P15090	0.1597	0.0908	0.2286	0.02%
Midkine	P21741	0.1594	0.0917	0.2271	0.01%
Phosphatidylethanolamine-binding protein 1	P30086	0.1593	0.0664	0.2522	0.54%
Stanniocalcin-1	P52823	0.1586	0.0924	0.2248	0.01%
C-C motif chemokine 7	P80098	0.1584	0.0897	0.2270	0.02%
Guanylin	Q02747	0.1576	0.0978	0.2173	<0.01%
Protein phosphatase 1 regulatory subunit 14A	Q96A00	0.1575	0.0601	0.2548	0.86%
Copper transport protein ATOX1	O00244	0.1570	0.0693	0.2447	0.38%
Pappalysin-1	Q13219	0.1559	0.0598	0.2521	0.84%
Galectin-4	P56470	0.1557	0.0882	0.2232	0.02%
Protein FAM3D	Q96BQ1	0.1555	0.0870	0.2240	0.02%
Lymphocyte antigen 6D	Q14210	0.1551	0.1030	0.2072	<0.01%
OTU domain-containing protein 7B	Q6GQQ9	0.1541	0.0682	0.2399	0.37%
Stromal cell-derived factor 1	P48061	0.1540	0.0951	0.2128	<0.01%
Ubiquitin/ISG15-conjugating enzyme E2 L6	O14933	0.1535	0.0575	0.2495	0.95%
26S proteasome non-ATPase regulatory subunit 9	O00233	0.1532	0.0585	0.2479	0.86%
Angiopietin-related protein 4	Q9BY76	0.1502	0.0905	0.2099	<0.01%
Epithelial cell adhesion molecule	P16422	0.1497	0.0694	0.2300	0.26%
Tumor necrosis factor ligand superfamily member 14	O43557	0.1491	0.0601	0.2381	0.66%

Ribonuclease K6	Q93091	0.1490	0.0940	0.2040	<0.01%
Kunitz-type protease inhibitor 3	P49223	0.1489	0.0711	0.2267	0.20%
Proteoglycan 3	Q9Y2Y8	0.1485	0.0918	0.2051	<0.01%
Calcitonin	P01258	0.1480	0.0776	0.2183	0.06%
Leukocyte cell-derived chemotaxin-2	O14960	0.1479	0.0745	0.2213	0.12%
Elafin	P19957	0.1477	0.0842	0.2113	0.02%
Proactivator polypeptide-like 1	Q6NUJ1	0.1464	0.0928	0.2000	<0.01%
Prorelaxin H2	P04090	0.1462	0.0814	0.2110	0.02%
C-C motif chemokine 22	O00626	0.1458	0.0587	0.2329	0.66%
Cadherin EGF LAG seven-pass G-type receptor 2	Q9HCU4	0.1452	0.0950	0.1955	<0.01%
Hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase-like protein 2	Q6YN16	0.1432	0.0671	0.2194	0.23%
Intercellular adhesion molecule 4	Q14773	0.1430	0.0962	0.1898	<0.01%
Secreted Ly-6/uPAR-related protein 1	P55000	0.1428	0.0919	0.1936	<0.01%
Proenkephalin-A	P01210	0.1427	0.0920	0.1934	<0.01%
NADH-cytochrome b5 reductase 2	Q6BCY4	0.1418	0.0684	0.2153	0.18%
Glycosylphosphatidylinositol-anchored high density lipoprotein-binding protein 1	Q8IV16	0.1415	0.0621	0.2209	0.39%
Junctional adhesion molecule C	Q9BX67	0.1413	0.0733	0.2094	0.07%
Protein GPR15L	Q6UWK7	0.1413	0.0608	0.2218	0.45%
Insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 4	P22692	0.1412	0.0780	0.2043	0.03%
Trefoil factor 2	Q03403	0.1412	0.0743	0.2080	0.06%
Cerebral dopamine neurotrophic factor	Q49AH0	0.1399	0.0936	0.1862	<0.01%
Ganglioside GM2 activator	P17900	0.1395	0.0833	0.1957	0.01%
Retinoid-inducible serine carboxypeptidase	Q9HB40	0.1390	0.0557	0.2223	0.68%
C-C motif chemokine 18	P55774	0.1389	0.0616	0.2162	0.37%

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Protein	Uniprot ID	Empagliflozin vs placebo [ $\log_2$ fold change (95%CI)]	False discovery rate (%)	Biological Functions on the Heart and Kidney
BolA-like protein 2 (BOLA2)	Q9H3K6	0.20 (0.09-0.31)	0.27%	Promotes iron-sulfur protein maturation, enhancing uptake and inhibiting storage of iron
Oncostatin-M (OSM)	P13725	0.20 (0.08-0.32)	0.58%	Effects depending on duration of upregulation. Can promote cardiac regeneration and vasculogenesis, leading to improved function
UBX (ubiquitin) domain-containing protein 1 (UBXN1)	Q04323	0.20 (0.08-0.32)	0.75%	Essential for endolysosomal sorting critical for autophagosome maturation and autophagic flux; mutes proinflammatory signaling
Thymosin beta-10 (TMSB10)	P63313	0.20 (0.08-0.31)	0.48%	Regeneration and restoration of renal tubular epithelial cellular architecture
Osteocalcin (BGLAP)	P02818	0.20 (0.09-0.31)	0.30%	Facilitates fatty acid metabolism and ATP generation for myofiber contraction
Anaphase-promoting complex subunit CDC26 (APC/C)	Q8NHZ8	0.20 (0.10-0.29)	0.11%	Pivotal link in autophagic control of runaway meiotic divisions; antagonist of cellular aging
Ghrelin (GHRL)	Q9UBU3	0.20 (0.11-0.29)	0.04%	Promotes autophagic flux to inhibit post-injury cardiac hypertrophy and fibrosis
DnaJ homolog subfamily B member 2 (DNAJB2)	P25686	0.19 (0.08-0.30)	0.50%	Positioned to facilitate chaperone-mediated protein folding and autophagy
DnaJ homolog subfamily A member 4 (DNAJA4)	Q8WW22	0.19 (0.08-0.290)	0.40%	Positioned to facilitate chaperone-mediated protein folding and autophagy
Uromodulin (UMOD)	P07911	0.19 (0.14-0.24)	0.01%	Counter-regulatory enhanced renal tubular sodium reabsorption
Adenosine monophosphate deaminase 3 (AMPD3)	Q01432	0.18 (0.07-0.29)	0.48%	Increases cardiac branched-chain amino acid metabolism, yielding ATP needed for myofiber contraction
Trefoil factor 1 (TFF1)	P04155	0.18 (0.11-0.25)	$< 0.01\%$	Regeneration and restoration of renal tubular epithelial cellular architecture
Sorting nexin-15 (SNX15)	Q9NRS6	0.18 (0.09-0.27)	0.21%	Mediates intracellular trafficking and autophagic clearance of proteins, e.g., resulting in decreased insulin signaling
Programmed cell death protein 5 (PDCD5)	O14737	0.18 (0.08-0.27)	0.18%	Promotes autophagy to negatively regulate cardiac remodeling
Dual specificity mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase 1 (MAP2K1, MEK)	Q02750	0.17 (0.08-0.27)	0.24%	Member of mitogen activated kinase family involved in promotion of autophagy
Proteinase-activated receptor 1 (PAR1)	P25116	0.17 (0.08-0.26)	0.23%	Promotes cardiomyocyte hypertrophy and fibroblast proliferation
Kynurenine--oxoglutarate transaminase 1 (KYAT1)	Q16773	0.17 (0.06-0.28)	0.99%	Promote formation of kynurenic acid, a glutamate antagonist and sympatholytic
Mitochondrial import receptor subunit TOM20 homolog (TOMM20)	Q15388	0.17 (0.06-0.28)	0.97%	Facilitates transport of proteins into the mitochondria to facilitate ATP production; used as a marker of mitophagy



Nucleosome assembly protein 1-like 4 (NAP1L4)	Q99733	0.17 (0.07-0.27)	0.47%	Histone chaperone that can promote cardiac fibrosis and impairs cardiac function
Acyl-CoA-binding protein (ACBP1)	P07108	0.17 (0.07-0.26)	0.41%	Circulating biomarker of enhanced intracellular autophagic flux
Lithostathine-1-alpha (REG1A)	P05451	0.17 (0.09-0.24)	0.02%	Role in tissue regeneration; upregulated in the heart following acute injury
NADH dehydrogenase [ubiquinone] iron-sulfur protein 6, mitochondrial (NDUFS6)	O75380	0.17 (0.07-0.27)	0.73%	Iron-sulfur protein that promotes mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation and ATP production; deficiency causes cardiomyopathy
Retinoid-binding protein 7 (RBP7)	Q96R05	0.16 (0.08-0.25)	0.12%	Member of fatty-acid binding protein family, promoting anti-oxidant activity of vascular endothelium
Complement factor H-related protein 5 (CFHR5)	Q9BXR6	0.16 (0.09-0.23)	0.01%	Recruited into tissues injured by inflammation, associated with chronic kidney disease
Matrix metalloproteinase-9 (MMP9)	P14780	0.16 (0.07-0.25)	0.45%	Driver of extracellular matrix degradation; intracellular MMP9 promotes autophagic flux and differentiation of cardiac stem cells
Renin	P00797	0.16 (0.07-0.25)	0.30%	Counter-regulatory enhanced renal tubular sodium reabsorption
TP53-regulated inhibitor of apoptosis 1 (TRIP1)	O43715	0.16 (0.07-0.25)	0.40%	Mediates phospholipid transfer into mitochondria; mitigates development of podocyte apoptosis
Protein S100-G (S100G)	P29377	0.16 (0.09-0.23)	0.01%	Also known as calbindin-D28k, it mediates calcium transport in distal tubules
Adipocyte fatty acid-binding protein (A-FABP, FABP4)	P15090	0.16 (0.09-0.23)	0.02%	Secreted as a result of increased sirtuin-1 signalling and acts as a blood-borne indicator of autophagic flux
Midkine (MDK)	P21741	0.16 (0.09-0.23)	0.01%	Context-dependent promotion and attenuation of cardiac remodelling; upregulates autophagy in the heart
Phosphatidylethanolamine-binding protein 1 (PEBP1, RKIP)	P30086	0.16 (0.07-0.25)	0.54%	Scaffolding protein that induces ferroptosis; acts on calcium transients to sensitize heart to effects of catecholamines and angiotensin
Stanniocalcin-1 (STC1)	P52823	0.16 (0.09-0.22)	0.01%	Cardioprotective by regulating cardiac calcium currents to prevent calcium overload. Promotes calcium transport in renal tubules
Guanylin (GUCA2A)	Q02747	0.16 (0.10-0.22)	< 0.01%	Promotes natriuresis by inhibiting proximal tubular sodium-hydrogen exchanger 3
Protein phosphatase 1 regulatory subunit 14A (PPP1R14A)	Q96A00	0.16 (0.06-0.25)	0.86%	Inhibits myosin phosphatase, leading to myocyte calcium sensitization
Copper transport protein antioxidant 1 (ATOX1)	O00244	0.16 (0.07-0.24)	0.38%	Copper-dependent transcription factor; suppression leads to oxidative stress and cardiac dysfunction
Pappalysin-1 (PAPP-A)	Q13219	0.16 (0.06-0.25)	0.84%	Releases insulin-like growth factor 1 from binding, thus promoting chronic kidney disease
Galectin-4 (LGALS4)	P56470	0.16 (0.09-0.22)	0.02%	Promotes transcytosis of transferrin receptor, preventing its degradation
FAM3 metabolism regulating signaling molecule D (FAM3D)	Q96BQ1	0.16 (0.09-0.22)	0.02%	Reduces injury and inflammation, and enhances recovery of cardiac function after ischemia
OTU domain-containing protein 7B (OTUD7B)	Q6GQQ9	0.15 (0.07-0.24)	0.37%	OTUD-7B deubiquitination suppresses Akt-mTOR thereby enhancing autophagy, and attenuates pathological cardiac hypertrophy

Stromal cell-derived factor 1 (SDF-1)	P48061	0.15 (0.10-0.21)	< 0.01%	Attenuates cardiomyocyte apoptosis and mutes development of cardiomyopathy; promotes stem cell migration and angiogenesis
Ubiquitin/ISG15-conjugating enzyme E2 L6 (UBE2L6)	O14933	0.15 (0.06-0.25)	0.95%	E2 ubiquitin-conjugating enzyme that modulates autophagic flux
26S proteasome non-ATPase regulatory subunit 9 (PSMD9)	O00233	0.15 (0.06-0.25)	0.86%	Interplay of 26S proteasome ubiquitination and autophagy are responsible for protein quality control
Angiopoietin-related protein 4 (ANGPTL4)	Q9BY76	0.15 (0.09-0.21)	< 0.01	Reduction of oxidative stress and endothelial cell injury by promoting autophagy
Epithelial cell adhesion molecule (EpCAM)	P16422	0.15 (0.07-0.23)	0.26%	Promotes adhesion, polarity and architecture of renal tubular cells. Is enhanced during renal tubular regeneration
Tumor necrosis factor ligand superfamily member 14 (TNFSF14, LIGHT)	O43557	0.15 (0.06-0.24)	0.66%	Enhances cardiac and renal fibrosis, but can attenuate kidney injury by suppressing mitochondrial apoptosis
Calcitonin (alpha-type GCRP)	P01258	0.15 (0.08-0.22)	0.06%	Positive inotropic and systemic vasodilator effects; decreased calcium reabsorption in distal nephron
Elafin	P19957	0.15 (0.08-0.21)	0.02%	Protects against myocardial inflammation and injury, improving cardiac function
Prorelaxin H2 (RLN2)	P04090	0.15 (0.08-0.21)	0.02%	Systemic vasodilator and positive inotropic effects in heart; antifibrotic effects in kidney
Cadherin EGF LAG seven-pass G-type receptor 2 (CELSR2)	Q9HCU4	0.15 (0.10-0.20)	< 0.01%	Critical to epithelial cell polarity and restoration of renal tubular architecture
Intercellular adhesion molecule 4 (ICAM4)	Q14773	0.14 (0.10-0.19)	< 0.01%	Regulates contact among maturing erythroblasts to promote formation of erythropoietic islands
Secreted Ly-6/uPAR-related protein 1 (SLURP1)	P55000	0.14 (0.09-0.19)	< 0.01%	Prodifferentiation factor that stabilizes epithelial cell junctions; anti-inflammatory effects on endothelial cells
Proenkephalin-A (PENK-A)	P01210	0.14 (0.09-0.19)	< 0.01%	Surrogate for tissue opioid activation; controls calcium entry to exert cardioprotective effects; functions as a brake on kidney regeneration
NADH-cytochrome b5 reductase 2 (CYB5R2)	Q6BCY4	0.14 (0.07-0.22)	0.18%	Catalyzes removal of iron from heme; promotes iron-mediated cell death (ferroptosis)
Junctional adhesion molecule C (JAM-C)	Q9BX67	0.14 (0.07-0.21)	0.07%	Maintains microenvironment for hematopoietic stem cells in the bone marrow; promotes angiogenesis
Insulin-like growth factor-binding protein 4 (IGFBP4)	P22692	0.14 (0.08-0.20)	0.03%	Cardioprotection through suppression of oxidative stress. Promotes cardiomyocyte induction from pluripotential stem cells
Cerebral dopamine neurotrophic factor (CDNF)	Q49AH0	0.14 (0.09-0.19)	<0.01%	Restores calcium transient and mitigates apoptosis in cardiomyocytes
Ganglioside GM2 activator (GM2A)	P17900	0.14 (0.08-0.20)	0.01%	Modulates proton pump of intercalated cells of renal collecting duct
Retinoid-inducible serine carboxypeptidase (SCPEP1, RISC)	Q9HB40	0.14 (0.06-0.22)	0.68%	Mediates retinoic acid-mediated anti-inflammatory effects; contributes to lysosome-mediated degradation and autophagy in vasculature and proximal renal tubule

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