

**Supplementary File:**

**Table S1.** Description of Gene Expression Omnibus data sets of T2DM and Healthy Controls.

GEO accession ID	T2DM <sup>a</sup>			Control			Platform	Country	Year
	n	Sex (M/F)	Mean age (years)	n	Sex (M/F)	Mean age (years)			
GSE156993	6	3/3	54	6	2/4	41.16	[HG- U133_Plus_2] Affymetrix Human Genome U133 Plus 2.0 Array	Brazil	2020
GSE9006	12	6/6	13.41	2 0	7/13	11.65	Affymetrix Human Genome U133B Array	United States	2007
GSE21321 (GLP6883)	9	9/0		8	9/0		Illumina HumanRef-8 v3.0 expression beadchip	Singapor e	2010

The 'a' represents Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus, which is an expansion of the abbreviation 'T2DM'.

**Table S2.** Description of selection criteria for sorting of Gene Expression Omnibus data sets of T2DM and Healthy Controls.

Parameters	Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Organism:	Human (Homo sapiens)	Mus musculus, Rattus norvegicus, Xenopus laevis
Data entry types:	Datasets	Series, Samples, Platforms
Study Type:	Expression profiling by array	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expression profiling by MPSS/RT-PCR/SAGE/SNP array/genome tiling array/high throughput sequencing;</li> <li>• Genome binding/occupancy profiling by SNP array/array/genome tiling array/high throughput sequencing;</li> <li>• Genome variation profiling by SNP array/ array/ genome tiling array/ high throughput sequencing</li> </ul>
Sample:	Blood and PBMC	Tissue, Serum, Semen, Saliva, Urine, Body Fluid
Disorders	T2DM compared to non-diabetics	Type 1 Diabetes, Gestational Diabetes, Prediabetes with non-diabetic

**Table S3.** Description of MicroRNA Expression Omnibus data sets of T2DM and Healthy Controls.

GEO accession ID	T2DM <sup>a</sup>			Control			Platform	Country	Year
	n	Sex (M/F)	Mean age (years)	n	Sex (M/ F)	Mean age (years)			
GSE51674	6	4/2	59.33	4	3/1	38	Human miRNA Microarray v14 Rev.2	Italy	2019
GSE21321	9	9/0	-	10	10/0	-	Illumina HumanRef-8 v3.0 expression beadchip	Singapore	2010

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**Table S4.** Description of selection criteria for sorting of MicroRNA Expression Omnibus data sets of T2DM and Healthy Controls.

Parameters	Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Organism:	Human (Homo sapiens)	Mus musculus, Rattus norvegicus, Arabidopsis thaliana, Danio rerio
Data entry types:	Datasets	Series, Samples, Platforms
Study Type:	Expression profiling by array	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expression profiling by MPSS/RT-PCR/SAGE/SNP array/genome tiling array/high throughput sequencing;</li> <li>• Genome binding/occupancy profiling by SNP array/array/genome tiling array/high throughput sequencing;</li> <li>• Genome variation profiling by SNP array/ array/ genome tiling array/ high throughput sequencing</li> </ul>
Sample:	Tissue, Blood and PBMC	Semen, Saliva, Urine, Body Fluid
Disorders	T2DM compared to non-diabetics	Type 1 Diabetes, Gestational Diabetes, Prediabetes with non-diabetic

**Table S5.** ANOVA test for clinical, biochemical and gene and microRNA expression profiles for T2DM patients, DN patients and healthy control subjects.

<b>Descriptive</b>	<b>Healthy Control (n=36)</b>	<b>T2DM (n=38)</b>	<b>Diabetic Nephropathy (n=35)</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Sig.</b>
Age (Years)	31.25 ± 6.31	49.11 ± 6.43	61.57 ± 10.52	130.98	<b>0.00</b>
Body Mass Index	24.59 ± 1.89	27.47 ± 3.65	26.07 ± 5.70	2.76	0.07
Waist–hip Ratio	0.90 ± 0.04	0.96 ± 0.07	0.95 ± 0.07	4.39	<b>0.02</b>
HbA1c (%)	5.20 ± 0.26	9.42 ± 2.22	8.09 ± 1.72	43.69	<b>0.00</b>
Fasting Blood Sugar	95.59 ± 8.25	203.28 ± 81.79	180.45 ± 48.67	35.60	<b>0.00</b>
HOMA-IR	2.89 ± 2.31	8.09 ± 9.36	11.82 ± 13.73	7.25	<b>0.00</b>
Cholesterol	167.56 ± 36.93	187.69 ± 43.24	178.91 ± 62.94	1.55	0.22
Triglycerides	122.75 ± 44.4	174.14 ± 91.8	172.35 ± 86.6	4.97	<b>0.00</b>
Low-density lipoprotein	94.69 ± 38.9	114.75 ± 35.5	109.65 ± 53.40	2.05	<b>0.13</b>
High-density lipoprotein	43.11 ± 12.1	40.42 ± 9.0	43.91 ± 11.0	0.99	<b>0.37</b>
Urea	23.11 ± 6.70	26.07 ± 10.76	80.34 ± 35.84	69.32	<b>0.00</b>
Creatinine	0.90 ± 0.18	0.75 ± 0.19	2.74 ± 1.90	33.19	<b>0.00</b>
Insulin (mIU/L)	12.30 ± 9.36	15.71 ± 17.17	28.18 ± 29.15	5.91	<b>0.00</b>
GFR (mL/min per 1.73 m <sup>2</sup> )	99.26 ± 34.94	117.45 ± 37.74	35.93 ± 22.26	58.54	<b>0.00</b>

**Table S6.** ANOVA test for Circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$ B) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for T2DM patients, DN patients and healthy control subjects.

<b>Types of Sample</b>	<b>PTEN (Blood)</b>	<b>MMP2 (Blood)</b>	<b>NF-<math>\kappa</math>B (Blood)</b>	<b>miR-181b-5p (Blood)</b>
<b>Healthy Control</b> (Mean $\pm$ SD) (n=36)	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05
<b>T2DM</b> (Mean $\pm$ SD) (n=38)	0.84 $\pm$ 0.85	0.84 $\pm$ 1.03	1.72 $\pm$ 1.29	2.09 $\pm$ 0.09
<b>DN</b> (Mean $\pm$ SD) (n=35)	0.63 $\pm$ 0.64	0.70 $\pm$ 0.55	1.80 $\pm$ 1.29	3.16 $\pm$ 2.79
<b>F Value</b>	2.97	1.54	8.74	14.14
<b>P-value</b>	<b>0.05</b>	0.22	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Trend</b>	Downregulation	Downregulation	Upregulation	Upregulation

**Table S7.** T-test for Circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$  $\beta$ ) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for T2DM patients, DN patients and healthy control subjects.

<b>Types of Sample</b>	<b>PTEN (Blood)</b>	<b>MMP2 (Blood)</b>	<b>NF-<math>\kappa</math><math>\beta</math>1 (Blood)</b>	<b>miR-181b-5p (Blood)</b>
<b>T2DM</b> (Mean $\pm$ SD) (n=38)	0.84 $\pm$ 0.85	0.84 $\pm$ 1.03	1.72 $\pm$ 1.29	2.09 $\pm$ 0.09
<b>DN</b> (Mean $\pm$ SD) (n=35)	0.63 $\pm$ 0.64	0.70 $\pm$ 0.55	1.80 $\pm$ 1.29	3.16 $\pm$ 2.79
<b>t Value</b>	0.264	0.708	0.309	2.147
<b>P-value</b>	0.064	0.482	0.758	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Trend</b>	Downregulation	Downregulation	Upregulation	Upregulation

**Table S8.** Multinomial logistic regression analysis of circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$  $\beta$ ) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for T2DM patients, DN patients and healthy control subjects.

	<b>B</b>	<b>Std. Error</b>	<b>Wald</b>	<b>Sig.</b>	<b>Exp(B)</b>	<b>95% Confidence Interval for Exp(B)</b>	
						Lower Bound	Upper Bound
PTEN	-0.659	0.457	2.078	0.15	0.517	0.211	1.268
hsa-miR-181b-5p	0.707	0.286	6.136	<b>0.01</b>	2.029	1.159	3.551
MMP2	-0.557	0.352	2.499	0.11	0.573	0.287	1.143
NF- $\kappa$ $\beta$	0.872	0.322	7.342	<b>0.01</b>	2.392	1.273	4.495

**Table S9.** T-test for Circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$  $\beta$ ) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for Insulin Resistance patients and Insulin Sensitive subjects.

<b>Types of Sample</b>	<b>PTEN (Blood)</b>	<b>MMP2 (Blood)</b>	<b>NF-<math>\kappa</math><math>\beta</math>1 (Blood)</b>	<b>miR-181b-5p (Blood)</b>
<b>Insulin Sensitive (n=36)</b>	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05
<b>Insulin Resistance (n=47)</b>	0.70 $\pm$ 0.57	0.77 $\pm$ 0.69	1.83 $\pm$ 1.02	2.698 $\pm$ 2.30
<b>t-value</b>	3.268	2.146	5.507	4.947
<b>p-value</b>	<b>0.002</b>	0.38	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
<b>Trend</b>	Downregulation	Downregulation	Upregulation	Upregulation

**Table 10.** ANOVA test for Circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$ B) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for T2DM (Insulin Resistance) & DN (Insulin Resistance) patients and healthy control (Insulin Sensitive) subjects.

<b>Types of Sample</b>	<b>PTEN (Blood)</b>	<b>MMP2 (Blood)</b>	<b>NF-<math>\kappa</math>B1 (Blood)</b>	<b>miR-181b-5p (Blood)</b>
<b>Healthy Control (Insulin Sensitive) (n=36)</b>	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05	1 $\pm$ 0.05
<b>T2DM (Insulin Resistance) (n=23)</b>	0.75 $\pm$ 0.62	0.83 $\pm$ 0.78	1.82 $\pm$ 1.67	2.19 $\pm$ 0.89
<b>DN (Insulin Resistance) (n=24)</b>	0.66 $\pm$ 0.52	0.71 $\pm$ 0.58	1.84 $\pm$ 0.88	3.14 $\pm$ 2.96
<b>Student's t-value</b>	0.495	0.603	0.064	1.494
<b>p-value</b>	0.623	0.553	0.949	0.147
<b>Trend</b>	Downregulation	Downregulation	No change	Upregulation

**Table S11.** ANOVA test for Circulating gene (PTEN, MMP2 & NF- $\kappa$ B) and MicroRNA (hsa-miR-181b-5p) expression profiles for five stages of chronic kidney disease.

Stages	Stages of CKD	GFR	% of Kidney Function	MMP2 (FCE) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	PTEN (FCE) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	NF- $\kappa$ B (FCE) (Mean $\pm$ SD)	hsa-miR-181b-5p (FCE) (Mean $\pm$ SD)
Stage:1	Normal kidney function	90 or Higher	90-100	0.904 $\pm$ 0.822	0.923 $\pm$ 0.662	1.152 $\pm$ 0.818	1.412 $\pm$ 0.618
Stage:2	Kidney damage with mild loss of kidney function	89-60	89-60	0.900 $\pm$ 0.355	0.908 $\pm$ 0.319	1.438 $\pm$ 0.779	2.194 $\pm$ 2.764
Stage:3	3a: kidney damage with mild to moderate 3b: Moderate to severe loss of kidney function	59-30	59-30	0.678 $\pm$ 0.541	0.569 $\pm$ 0.482	1.629 $\pm$ 0.837	2.229 $\pm$ 0.845
Stage:4	Severe loss of kidney function	44-30	44-30	0.621 $\pm$ 0.541	0.476 $\pm$ 0.572	1.811 $\pm$ 0.721	2.559 $\pm$ 2.173
Stage:5	Kidney failure	29-15	29-15	0.335 $\pm$ 0.179	0.417 $\pm$ 0.117	1.908 $\pm$ 0.587	3.555 $\pm$ 2.161
F-value				1.079	2.431	2.458	2.399
p-Value				0.372	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.05</b>
Trend				Downregulation	Downregulation	Upregulation	Upregulation

**Table S12.** Pathway enrichment (KEGG Pathways) analysis for PPI Genes by STRING database.

KEGG Pathways	Negative log10 (FDR)	False Rate	Discovery	matching proteins in your network (labels)
T cell receptor signaling pathway	6.96	0.00		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, NF- $\kappa$ B1, CHUK, RELA, PIK3R1
Insulin resistance	6.90	0.00		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, NF- $\kappa$ B1, PTEN, RELA, PIK3R1
PI3K-Akt signaling pathway	6.12	0.00		NF- $\kappa$ B1, TP53, CHUK, PTEN, RELA, PIK3R1
Th1 and Th2 cell differentiation	5.50	0.00		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, NF- $\kappa$ B1, CHUK, RELA
IL-17 signaling pathway	5.43	0.00		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, NF- $\kappa$ B1, CHUK, RELA
AGE-RAGE signaling pathway in diabetic complications	5.33	0.00		MMP2, NF- $\kappa$ B1, RELA, PIK3R1
Endocrine resistance	3.64	0.00		MMP2, TP53, PIK3R1
mTOR signaling pathway	3.09	0.00		CHUK, PTEN, PIK3R1

**Table S13.** Gene Ontology (Biological Process) analysis for PPI Genes by STRING database.

Biological Process	false discovery rate	Negative log <sub>10</sub> (FDR)	Genes
Response to cytokine I-kappaB kinase/NF-kappaB signaling	0.00	6.62	NF-κβIA, TIMP1, MMP2, RELB, NF-κβ1, TIMP2, TP53, CHUK, RELA, PIK3R1
Regulation of phosphatidylinositol 3- kinase signaling	0.00	5.53	NF-κβIA, RELB, NF-κβ1, CHUK, RELA
T cell receptor signaling pathway	0.00	3.46	SLC9A3R1, PTEN, NEDD4, PIK3R1
Extracellular matrix disassembly	0.00	3.10	NF-κβ1, CHUK, RELA, PIK3R1
Inflammatory response	0.00	2.74	TIMP1, MMP2, TIMP2
Phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase signaling	0.00	2.70	TIMP1, RELB, NF-κβ1, CHUK, RELA
Response to insulin	0.02	1.74	PTEN, PIK3R1
	0.03	1.58	PTEN, RELA, PIK3R1

**Table S14.** Gene Ontology (Molecular Functions) analysis for PPI Genes by STRING database.

Molecular Functions	false discovery rate	Negative (FDR)	Log10	Gene Symbols
Enzyme binding	0.00	4.83		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, TIMP1, RELB, NF- $\kappa$ B1, SLC9A3R1, TIMP2, TP53, PTEN, RELA, NEDD4, PIK3R1
Signaling receptor binding	0.00	2.37		TIMP1, SLC9A3R1, TIMP2, TP53, CHUK, PTEN, NEDD4, PIK3R1
Protein-containing complex binding	0.01	2.27		SLC9A3R1, TIMP2, TP53, CHUK, PTEN, RELA, PIK3R1
beta-2 adrenergic receptor binding	0.01	2.19		SLC9A3R1, NEDD4
Protein binding	0.02	1.66		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, TIMP1, RELB, NF- $\kappa$ B1, SLC9A3R1, TIMP2, TP53, CHUK, PTEN, RELA, NEDD4, PIK3R1
Transcription factor binding	0.02	1.66		NF- $\kappa$ B1A, NF- $\kappa$ B1, TP53, RELA, PIK3R1
Metalloendopeptidase inhibitor activity	0.02	1.66		TIMP1, TIMP2
Molecular function regulator	0.02	1.66		TIMP1, RELB, NF- $\kappa$ B1, SLC9A3R1, TIMP2, TP53, RELA, NEDD4, PIK3R1
Protein tyrosine kinase binding	0.02	1.66		TP53, PTEN, PIK3R1

**Table S15.** The Validation of fold change expression for PPI interacting and key genes in three different microarray datasets of circulating T2DM and healthy subjects.

Gene Symbols	Healthy Control		T2DM (GSE156993)		T2DM (GSE9006)		T2DM (GSE21321)		
	Fold Expression	Change	Fold Change Expression	P Value	Fold Change Expression	P Value	Fold Expression	Change	P Value
CHUK	1.00		1.04	0.58	1.18	0.18	0.98		0.90
MMP2	1.00		0.94	0.21	0.62	0.01	0.74		0.41
NEDD4	1.00		1.07	0.53	1.32	0.00	0.87		0.54
NF- $\kappa$ B1	1.00		1.17	0.27	1.32	0.00	1.05		0.76
NF- $\kappa$ BIA	1.00		0.91	0.26	0.79	0.16			
PTEN	1.00		0.78	0.02	0.84	0.02	0.9		0.64
RELA	1.00		1	0.57	1.01	0.10			
RELB	1.00		1	0.42	0.86	0.20	1.54		0.15
SLC9A3R1	1.00		0.87	0.20	0.94	0.54	1		0.72
TIMP1	1.00		1.02	0.14	1.2	0.08	1.02		0.95
TIMP2	1.00		0.98	0.20	0.88	0.31	0.94		0.65
TP53	1.00		0.94	0.50	0.75	0.00	1		0.99

**Table S16.** The Validation of fold change expression for hsa-miR-181b-5p in three different microarray datasets (GSE21321) of circulating T2DM and healthy subjects.

ID	P.Value	t	B	Fold Change	logFC	Gene.symbol	Gene.title
1852	0.028861	1.094422	-6.38	1.343228	0.425704	hsa-miR-181b	ACAUCUCAUUGCUGUCGGUGGGU

**Table S17.** The Validation of fold change expression for hsa-miR-181b-5p in three different microarray datasets (GSE51674) of kidney tissue of T2DM and healthy subjects.

ID	P.Value	t	B	Fold Change	logFC	ORGANISM	miRNA_ID
hsa-miR-181b	0.03	2.57	-4.58	3.31	9.93296893853	Homo sapiens	hsa-miR-181b