

Supplementary Material

—Supplementary Figure and Table

An integrating immune-related signature to improve prognosis of hepatocellular carcinoma

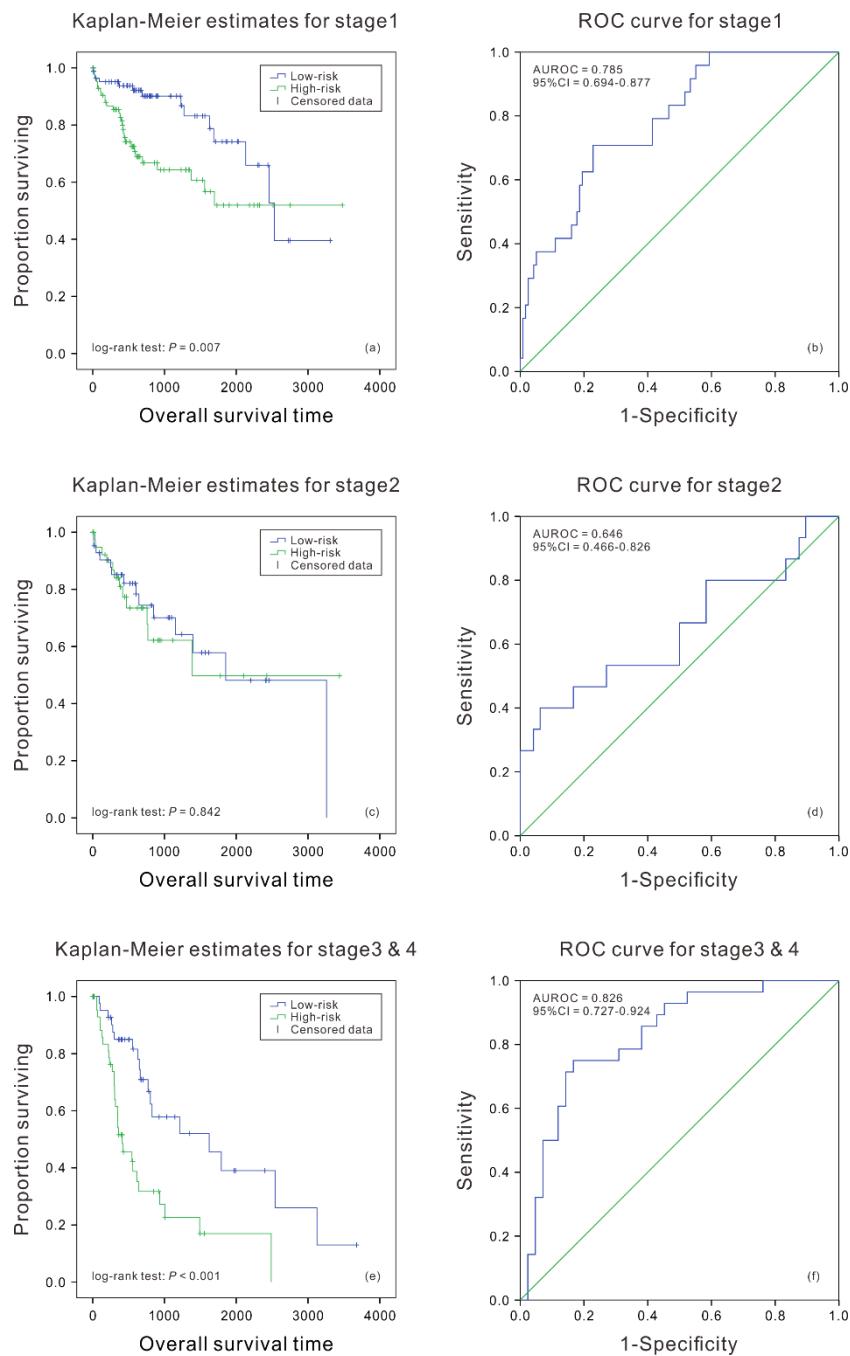
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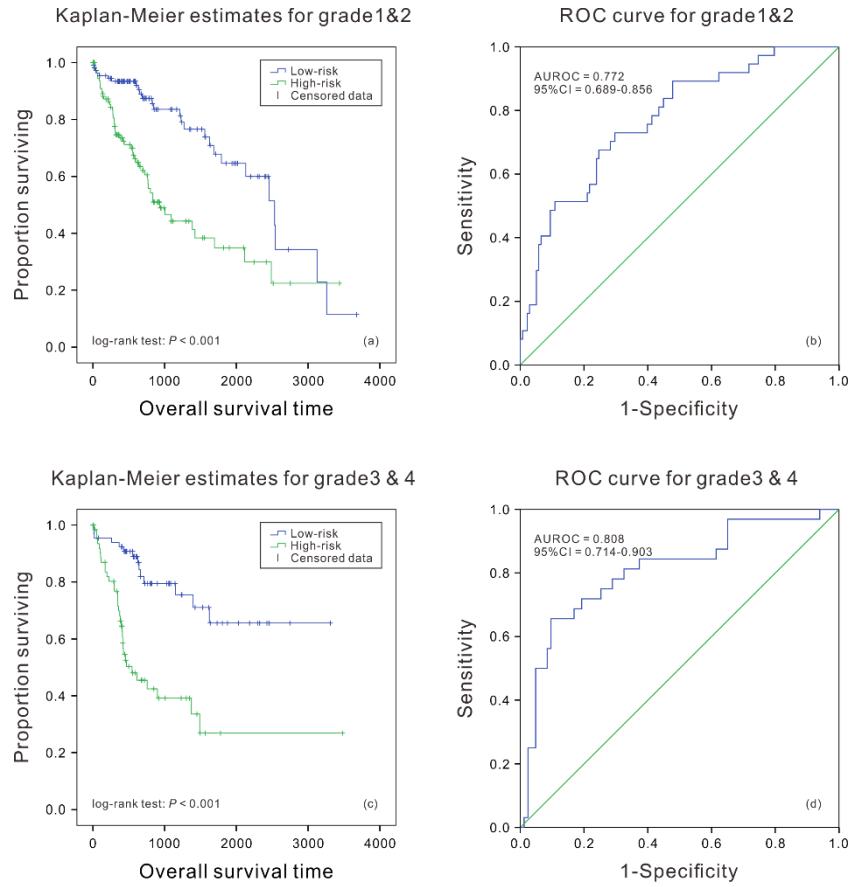
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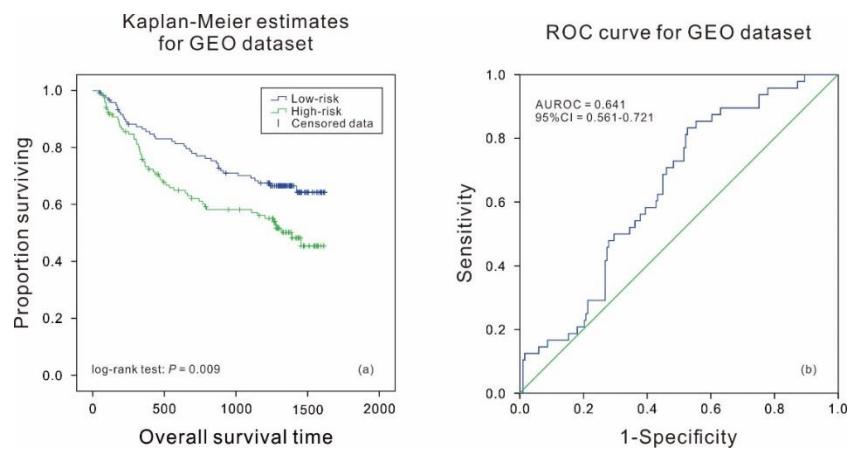
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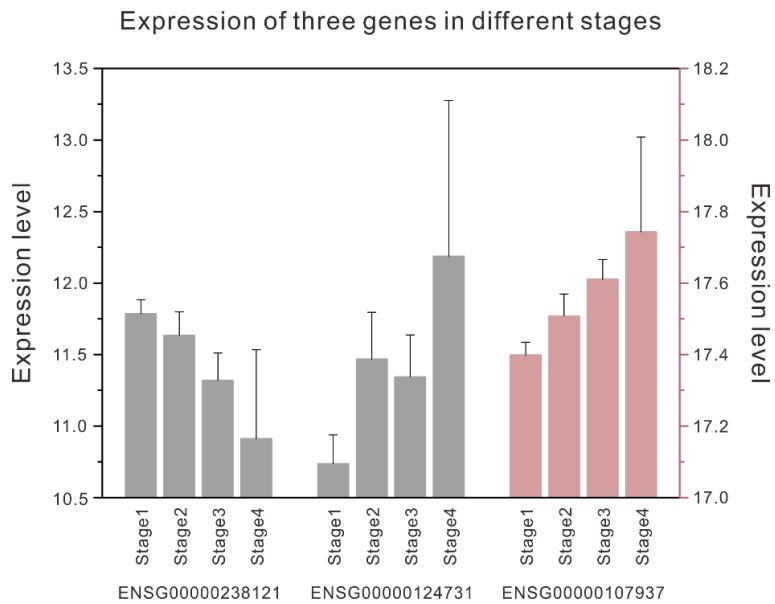
Supplementary Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier and the ROC curves in different clinical stages. It can be concluded that higher risk scores are significantly associated with overall survival time in stage 1 and stage3&4 ($P = 0.007$, $P < 0.001$). The AUC were 0.785(95% CI = 0.694-0.877) and 0.826 (95% CI = 0.727-0.927) in stage 1 and stage3&4.



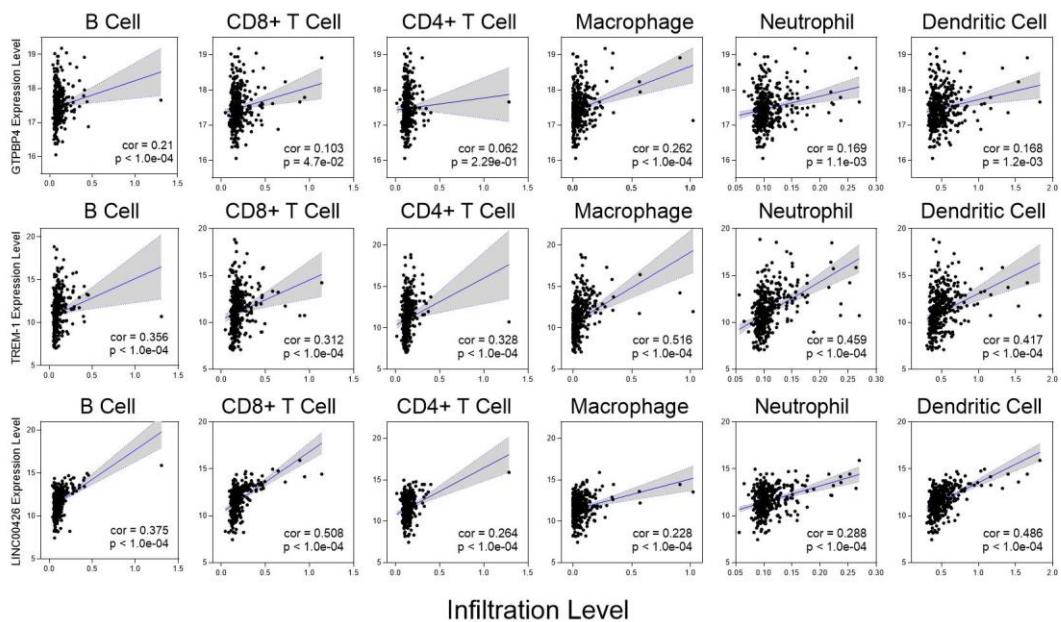
Supplementary Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier and the ROC curves in different tumor grades. It can be concluded that higher risk scores are significantly associated with overall survival time in different pathological grades ($P < 0.001$, $P < 0.001$). The AUC were 0.772 (95% CI = 0.689- 0.856) and 0.808 (95% CI = 0.714-0.903).



Supplementary Figure 3. Kaplan-Meier and the ROC curves in the GEO validation dataset. The results of two-sided log-rank test performed on the survival time between the low- and high-risk curves showed a significantly difference ($P = 0.009$) (a). ROC curve of survival prediction in the GEO validation dataset (b).



Supplementary Figure 4. Histogram of differential expressions of the 3 RNA prognostic biomarkers in different clinical stages.



Supplementary Figure 5. The scatter plot of immune cell infiltration analysis.

Supplementary Table 1. The accession codes of TCGA of the 377 HCC specimens

Accession codes				
TCGA-RC-A6M5	TCGA-G3-A25T	TCGA-CC-A8HU	TCGA-DD-AAVQ	TCGA-DD-AAW2
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Supplementary Table 2. Kaplan-Meier, ROC and Concordance Index results of different regrouping methods

Regrouping factor	groups	Kaplan-Meier		AUC	95% confidence interval	Pvalue of AUC	C-Index	95% CI of C-Index		Pvalue of C-Index
		AUC	Pvalue					C-	CI of	
Gender										
	Male	<0.001	0.802	0.726-0.877	<0.001	0.733	0.673-0.794	0.673-0.794	0.673-0.794	<0.001
	Female	0.038	0.754	0.645-0.863	<0.001	0.646	0.568-0.723	0.568-0.723	0.568-0.723	<0.001
Clinical stage										
	stage I	0.007	0.785	0.694-0.877	<0.001	0.727	0.651-0.804	0.651-0.804	0.651-0.804	<0.001
	stage II	0.842	0.646	0.466-0.826	0.09	0.589	0.465-0.712	0.465-0.712	0.465-0.712	0.1590319
	stage III&IV	<0.001	0.826	0.727-0.924	<0.001	0.709	0.637-0.782	0.637-0.782	0.637-0.782	<0.001
Tumor grade										
	G1&2	<0.001	0.772	0.689-0.856	<0.001	0.695	0.632-0.759	0.632-0.759	0.632-0.759	<0.001
	G3&4	<0.001	0.808	0.714-0.903	<0.001	0.727	0.653-0.8	0.653-0.8	0.653-0.8	<0.001

Supplementary Table 3. The Subcellular Localization information of 3 prognostic biomarkers

Symbol	Category	Tissue	Subcellular Localization	Validated		
				Method/ Database	Prediction	Tool
GTPBP4	mRNA	Myeloma cell	Cytosol	qRT-PCR		
		Colon cancer cell	Nucleus	NGS		
		HEK293 cell	Ribosome	NGS		
			Chromatin	CSCD	Cytosol/Cyt oplasm	iLoc-mRNA
		K562	Cytosol	CSCD		
			Nucleolus	CSCD		
			Nucleoplasm	CSCD		
		HepG2	Cytosol	CSCD		
		HeLa-S3	Nucleus	CSCD		
		Blood	Exosome	exoRBase		
TREM-1	mRNA	Blood	Exosome	exoRBase	Cytosol/Cyt oplasm	iLoc-mRNA
LINC004 26	LncRNA	Blood	Exosome	exoRBase	Cytosol/Cyt oplasm	iLoc-LncRNA

Supplementary Table 4. The list of seventeen enriched pathways related to genes that were co-expressed with 3 biomarkers from RNA prognostic biomarkers combination for liver cancer.

Pathway	Number of genes	Fold Enrichment	P value*
T cell receptor signaling pathway	10	14.9	1.50E-06
Natural killer cell mediated cytotoxicity	9	11.3	5.20E-05
T Cytotoxic Cell Surface Molecules	5	32.2	2.60E-04
Lck and Fyn tyrosine kinases in initiation of TCR Activation	5	35.2	3.50E-04
NO2-dependent IL 12 Pathway in NK cells	5	22.8	8.00E-04
Activation of Csk by cAMP-dependent Protein Kinase Inhibits Signaling through the T Cell Receptor	5	17.6	1.80E-03
Primary immunodeficiency	5	22.6	2.50E-03
Cytokine-cytokine receptor interaction	9	6	2.80E-03
T Helper Cell Surface Molecules	4	25.8	3.60E-03
Chemokine signaling pathway	8	6.6	4.00E-03
IL 17 Signaling Pathway	4	20.6	6.30E-03
The Co-Stimulatory Signal During T-cell Activation	4	16.3	1.10E-02
IL12 and Stat4 Dependent Signaling Pathway in Th1 Development	4	14.7	1.40E-02
Hematopoietic cell lineage	5	9	3.20E-02
Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs)	6	6.5	3.60E-02
HIV Induced T Cell Apoptosis	3	23.2	4.00E-02
Fc gamma R-mediated phagocytosis	5	9.1	4.10E-02

*P value by Benjamini–Hochberg corrections method

Supplementary Table 5. The bootstrap method calculating the AUC and the Concordance Index values to test the performance of all models

	Mean of AUC	95% CI of AUC	P value of AUC*	C- Index	95% CI of C-Index	P value of C-Index*
Our Model	0.793	0.728- 0.858	/	0.685	0.622-0.749	/
3-gene Model	0.76	0.695- 0.825	<0.001	0.676	0.610-0.743	3.90E-01
45-gene Model	0.613	0.533- 0.693	<0.001	0.458	0.387-0.529	3.61E-05
ENSG00000086991	0.539	0.472- 0.606	<0.001	0.497	0.426-0.569	3.52E-05
ENSG00000137857	0.543	0.472- 0.614	<0.001	0.482	0.414-0.55	9.03E-06
ENSG00000160867	0.541	0.468- 0.614	<0.001	0.563	0.496-0.631	2.53E-03
ENSG00000140443	0.547	0.466- 0.628	<0.001	0.493	0.415-0.571	6.22E-05
ENSG00000234912	0.566	0.486- 0.646	<0.001	0.52	0.443-0.597	2.43E-04
ENSG00000237438	0.643	0.566- 0.720	<0.001	0.597	0.524-0.67	2.93E-02
ENSG00000255874	0.639	0.562- 0.716	<0.001	0.611	0.543-0.68	4.51E-02
ENSG00000234608	0.575	0.503- 0.647	<0.001	0.537	0.469-0.605	4.92E-04
hsa-mir-9-3	0.629	0.538- 0.720	<0.001	0.586	0.517-0.654	1.25E-02
hsa-mir-10b	0.579	0.500- 0.658	<0.001	0.564	0.498-0.631	7.39E-03
hsa-mir-31	0.506	0.374- 0.638	<0.001	0.532	0.447-0.616	1.01E-03
hsa-mir-519c	0.478	0.305- 0.651	<0.001	0.527	0.404-0.65	1.08E-02
hsa-mir-522	0.47	0.332- 0.608	<0.001	0.612	0.505-0.718	1.12E-01
hsa-mir-3660	0.44	0.388- 0.492	<0.001	0.721	0.601-0.841	7.19E-01
hsa-mir-4784	0.558	0.429- 0.687	<0.001	0.524	0.420-0.629	2.24E-03
hsa-mir-326	0.579	0.487- 0.671	<0.001	0.574	0.499-0.649	8.01E-03

hsa-mir-3677	0.657	0.582- 0.732	<0.001	0.609	0.535-0.683	2.37E-02
hsa-mir-511	0.53	0.461- 0.599	<0.001	0.488	0.413-0.564	3.64E-05
hsa-mir-9-1	0.626	0.536- 0.716	<0.001	0.586	0.516-0.655	1.29E-02
hsa-mir-9-2	0.632	0.546- 0.718	<0.001	0.593	0.526-0.66	1.72E-02
7-miRNA Model	0.632	0.551- 0.713	<0.001	0.592	0.523-0.661	1.64E-02

Notes:

*The *t*-test for the model and our model