**Supplementary Table 2**

The primers used for qRT-PCR to amplify the six-IRG signature from HNSCC patients.

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| **Genes** | | **Genes ID** | **Sequence** | |
| CHGB Forward primer | | NG\_042285.1 | TCAGCATGGCCAGTTTAGGG | |
| CHGB Reverse primer | | CTCTGTGATGGCGTCCCTTT | |
| STC2 Forward primer | | NM\_003714.2 | TGTCCCTGCAGAATACAGCG | |
| STC2 Reverse primer | | AGCGTGGGCCTTACATTTCA | |
| DKK1 Forward primer | | NM\_012242.4 | TGGAACTCCCCTGTGATTGC | |
| DKK1 Reverse primer | | AATAGGCAGTGCAGCACCTT | |
| PLAU Forward primer | | NG\_011904.1 | CCAGGGTCCACCTGTCCC | |
| PLAU Reverse primer | | CTTCATCTCCCCTTGCGTGT | |
| TNF Forward primer | | NG\_007462.1 | CGACAGCAGAGACGAGGATG | |
| TNF Reverse primer | | CCTGTCCTCACAGATTGCGT | |
| PDGFA Forward primer | | NG\_029727.1 | GGTCGCTCCTGAAGCCAG | |
| PDGFA Reverse primer | | GGAGGAGAAACAGGGAGTGC | |
| GAPDH Forward primer | | NM\_001115114.1 | | GCACCACCAACTGCTTAGCA |
| GAPDH Reverse primer | | GTCTTCTGGGTGGCAGTGATG |